

December 4  
2022

Welcome!  
¡Bienvenido

PRELUDE

*Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus*  
Charles Wesley arr. Robby Davis  
Pam Asbury, pianist

**Amazing Grace Lutheran Church**

**December 4, 2022**

**Second Sunday of Advent**



Please prepare for worship by  
opening your heart,  
lowering your voice  
and silencing  
your cell phone.

# CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Today we hear the call of John the Baptist for repentance. Hear our confessions Lord, that we may receive your forgiveness and bear the fruit worthy of repentance.

C: Amen.

*--Silence for Reflection—*

# CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Lord of mercy and peace,

**C: open our hearts to receive your words of hope. We live far too much in darkness and fear. We have let the fears invade the very center of our lives and find ourselves changing, moving from your light to the darkness of despair. It seems that this world and its people are more pleased to fight and destroy than they are to have peace and unity. Forgive us when we have become part of the crowd and gotten**

# **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

**C: caught up in anger, resentment, apathy, and greed. If the axe of your judgment must be laid to the root of the tree, let the stump be one that brings forth a shoot of new life and hope. Let us bear the fruits of peace in our lives, that your peace may become a reality in this world, right now, this day. For we offer this prayer in the name of Jesus. AMEN.**

# CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Christ Jesus has become a servant of all so that we might glorify God for his mercy.

All who repent, confessing their sins, are baptized in the love and mercy of God.

Sisters and Brothers, your sins are forgiven; be at peace.

**C: Thanks be to God!**

**GATHERING SONG**  
**Hark the Glad Sound!**  
**Red Hymnal #239**

1 Hark, the glad sound! The Savior comes,  
the Savior promised long;  
let ev'ry heart prepare a throne  
and ev'ry voice a song.

2 He comes the pris'ners to release,  
in Satan's bondage held.  
The gates of brass before him burst,  
the iron fetters yield.

**GATHERING SONG**  
**Hark the Glad Sound!**  
**Red Hymnal #239**

3 He comes the broken heart to bind,  
the bleeding soul to cure,  
and with the treasures of his grace  
to enrich the humble poor.

4 Our glad hosannas, Prince of peace,  
your welcome shall proclaim,  
and heav'n's eternal arches ring  
with your beloved name.

# GREETING

A: Our Advent journey of preparation continues.

**C: We need to get ourselves ready to receive God's most precious gift.**

A: This day is a day of preparation.

**C: Open our hearts, O Lord, and make us ready to receive you.**

A: Repentance, changing our attitudes, our lives, is the beginning of our preparation.

**C: Lord, help us to receive by bearing good fruit with our lives. AMEN.**

# PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Merciful God,

**C: you sent your messengers to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation. Turn us away from our sins, so that we greet our coming redeemer, Jesus Christ, with joy.**

**For he lives with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.**

**Amen.**

# LIGHTING THE ADVENT WREATH

“They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain, for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea. On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious” (Isaiah 11:9-10 NRSV).

# LIGHTING THE ADVENT WREATH

We are the followers of that root of Jesse Isaiah spoke of. We are the ones who are now called to stand as a signal to the world, to all of creation, that peace is the will of the one who created us. Peace is the knowledge of the Lord that we proclaim during this season.

“In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea proclaiming. “Repent for the kingdom of heaven has come near.” And “bear fruit worthy of repentance” (Matthew 3:1,2, 8 NRSV).

# LIGHTING THE ADVENT WREATH

We light these candles, the candle of joyful hope and the candle of proclaimed peace, in part to remind ourselves that we are a people rising toward God's promise. But we also light them as a sign to the world, an announcement there are some who hold on to hope and there are some who work the ways of peace. We stand as a sign that Emmanuel is still our hope of peace.

*Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah*  
**With One Voice # 630 (Verse 2)**

**2 Light two candles to watch for Messiah:  
let the light banish darkness.  
He shall feed the flock like a shepherd,  
gently lead them homeward.**



# FIRST READING

## Isaiah 11:1-10

<sup>1</sup>A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots. <sup>2</sup>The spirit of the LORD shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD.

## Isaías 11:1-10

<sup>1</sup> De ese tronco que es Jesé, sale un retoño; un retoño brota de sus raíces.  
<sup>2</sup> El espíritu del Señor estará continuamente sobre él, y le dará sabiduría, inteligencia, prudencia, fuerza, conocimiento y temor del Señor.

# FIRST READING

## **Isaiah 11:1-10**

<sup>3</sup>His delight shall be in the fear of the LORD. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide by what his ears hear;

## **Isaías 11:1-10**

<sup>3</sup> Él no juzgará por la sola apariencia, ni dará su sentencia fundándose en rumores.

# FIRST READING

## Isaiah 11:1-10

<sup>4</sup>but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked.

## Isaías 11:1-10

<sup>4</sup> Juzgará con justicia a los débiles y defenderá los derechos de los pobres del país. Sus palabras serán como una vara para castigar al violento, y con el soplo de su boca hará morir al malvado.

# FIRST READING

## Isaiah 11:1-10

<sup>5</sup>Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist, and faithfulness the belt around his loins. <sup>6</sup>The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them.

## Isaías 11:1-10

<sup>5</sup> Siempre irá revestido de justicia y verdad.  
<sup>6</sup> Entonces el lobo y el cordero vivirán en paz, el tigre y el cabrito descansarán juntos, el becerro y el león crecerán uno al lado del otro, y se dejarán guiar por un niño pequeño.

# FIRST READING

## Isaiah 11:1-10

<sup>7</sup>The cow and the bear shall graze, their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. <sup>8</sup>The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den.

## Isaías 11:1-10

<sup>7</sup> La vaca y la osa serán amigas, y sus crías descansarán juntas. El león comerá pasto, como el buey. <sup>8</sup> El niño podrá jugar en el hoyo de la cobra, podrá meter la mano en el nido de la víbora.

# FIRST READING

## Isaiah 11:1-10

<sup>9</sup>They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain; for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea.

## Isaías 11:1-10

<sup>9</sup> En todo mi monte santono habrá quien haga ningún daño, porque así como el agua llena el mar, así el conocimiento del Señor llenará todo el país.

# FIRST READING

## Isaiah 11:1-10

<sup>10</sup>On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious.

## Isaías 11:1-10

<sup>10</sup>En ese tiempo el retoño de esta raíz que es Jesé se levantará como una señal para los pueblos; las naciones irán en su busca, y el sitio en que esté será glorioso.

Word of God, Word of Life.

**C: Thanks be to God!**

# SECOND READING

## **Romans 15:4-13**

<sup>4</sup> Whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope.

## **Romanos 15:4-13**

<sup>4</sup> Todo lo que antes se dijo en las Escrituras, se escribió para nuestra instrucción, para que con constancia y con el consuelo que de ellas recibimos, tengamos esperanza.

# SECOND READING

## Romans 15:4-13

<sup>5</sup> May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup> so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

## Romanos 15:4-13

<sup>5</sup> Y Dios, que es quien da constancia y consuelo, los ayude a ustedes a vivir en armonía unos con otros, conforme al ejemplo de Cristo Jesús, <sup>6</sup> para que todos juntos, a una sola voz, alaben al Dios y Padre de nuestro Señor Jesucristo.

## SECOND READING

### Romans 15:4-13

<sup>7</sup> Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. <sup>8</sup> For I tell you that Christ as become a servant of the circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in order that he might confirm the promises given to the patriarchs,

### Romanos 15:4-13

<sup>7</sup> Así pues, acéptense los unos a los otros, como también Cristo los aceptó a ustedes, para gloria de Dios. <sup>8</sup> Puedo decirles que Cristo vino a servir a los judíos para cumplir las promesas hechas a nuestros antepasados y demostrar así que Dios es fiel a lo que promete.

# SECOND READING

## Romans 15:4-13

<sup>9</sup> and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written, “Therefore I will confess you among the Gentiles, and sing praises to your name”; <sup>10</sup> and again he says, “Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people”;

## Romanos 15:4-13

<sup>9</sup> Vino también para que los no judíos alaben a Dios por su misericordia, según dice la Escritura: «Por eso te alabaré entre las naciones y cantaré himnos a tu nombre,» <sup>10</sup> En otra parte, la Escritura dice: «¡Alégrense, naciones, con el pueblo de Dios! por el poder del Espíritu Santo.

## SECOND READING

### Romans 15:4-13

<sup>11</sup> and again, “Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples praise him”;<sup>12</sup> and again Isaiah says, “The root of Jesse shall come, the one who rises to rule the Gentiles; in him the Gentiles shall hope.”

### Romanos 15:4-13

<sup>11</sup> Y en otro lugar dice: «Naciones y pueblos todos, ¡alaben al Señor!»<sup>12</sup> Is aías también escribió: «Brotará la raíz de Jesé, que se levantará para gobernar a las naciones, las cuales pondrán en él su esperanza.»

# SECOND READING

## Romans 15:4-13

<sup>13</sup> May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

## Romanos 15:4-13

<sup>13</sup> Que Dios, que da esperanza, los llene de alegría y paz a ustedes que tienen fe en él, y les dé abundante esperanza por el poder del Espíritu Santo.

Word of God, Word of Life.

**C: Thanks be to God!**

# THE GOSPEL

**Matthew 3:1-12**

**Mateo 3:1-12**

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew in the third chapter.

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

# THE GOSPEL

## Matthew 3:1-12

<sup>1</sup>In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, <sup>2</sup>“Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.”

## Mateo 3:1-12

<sup>1</sup> Por aquel tiempo se presentó Juan el Bautista en el desierto de Judea. <sup>2</sup> En su proclamación decía: «¡Vuélvanse a Dios, porque el reino de los cielos está cerca!»

# THE GOSPEL

## Matthew 3:1-12

<sup>3</sup>This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said, “The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: ‘Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.’ ”

## Mateo 3:1-12

<sup>3</sup> Juan era aquel de quien Dios había dicho por medio del profeta Isaías: «Una voz grita en el desierto: “Preparen el camino del Señor; ábranle un camino recto.”»

# THE GOSPEL

## Matthew 3:1-12

<sup>4</sup> Now John wore clothing of camel's hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey.

<sup>5</sup> Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan,

## Mateo 3:1-12

<sup>4</sup> La ropa de Juan estaba hecha de pelo de camello, y se la sujetaba al cuerpo con un cinturón de cuero; su comida era langostas y miel del monte. <sup>5</sup> La gente de Jerusalén y todos los de la región de Judea y de la región cercana al Jordán salían a oírle.

# THE GOSPEL

## Matthew 3:1-12

<sup>6</sup> and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. <sup>7</sup> But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, “You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come?”

## Mateo 3:1-12

<sup>6</sup> Confesaban sus pecados y Juan los bautizaba en el río Jordán. <sup>7</sup> Pero cuando Juan vio que muchos fariseos y saduceos iban a que los bautizara, les dijo: «¡Raza de víboras! ¿Quién les ha dicho a ustedes que van a librarse del terrible castigo que se acerca?»

# THE GOSPEL

## Matthew 3:1-12

<sup>8</sup>Bear fruit worthy of repentance. <sup>9</sup>Do not presume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our ancestor'; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham.

## Mateo 3:1-12

<sup>8</sup> Pórtense de tal modo que se vea claramente que se han vuelto al Señor, <sup>9</sup> y no presuman diciéndose a sí mismos: "Nosotros somos descendientes de Abraham"; porque les aseguro que incluso a estas piedras Dios puede convertirlas en descendientes de Abraham.

# THE GOSPEL

## Matthew 3:1-12

<sup>10</sup>Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.

## Mateo 3:1-12

<sup>10</sup> El hacha ya está lista para cortar los árboles de raíz. Todo árbol que no da buen fruto, se corta y se echa al fuego.

# THE GOSPEL

## Matthew 3:1-12

<sup>11</sup>“I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.

## Mateo 3:1-12

<sup>11</sup> Yo, en verdad, los bautizo con agua para invitarlos a que se vuelvan a Dios; pero el que viene después de mí los bautizará con el Espíritu Santo y con fuego. Él es más poderoso que yo, que ni siquiera merezco llevarle sus sandalias.

# THE GOSPEL

## Matthew 3:1-12

<sup>12</sup>His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”

## Mateo 3:1-12

<sup>12</sup> Trae su pala en la mano y limpiará el trigo y lo separará de la paja. Guardará su trigo en el granero, pero quemará la paja en un fuego que nunca se apagará.»

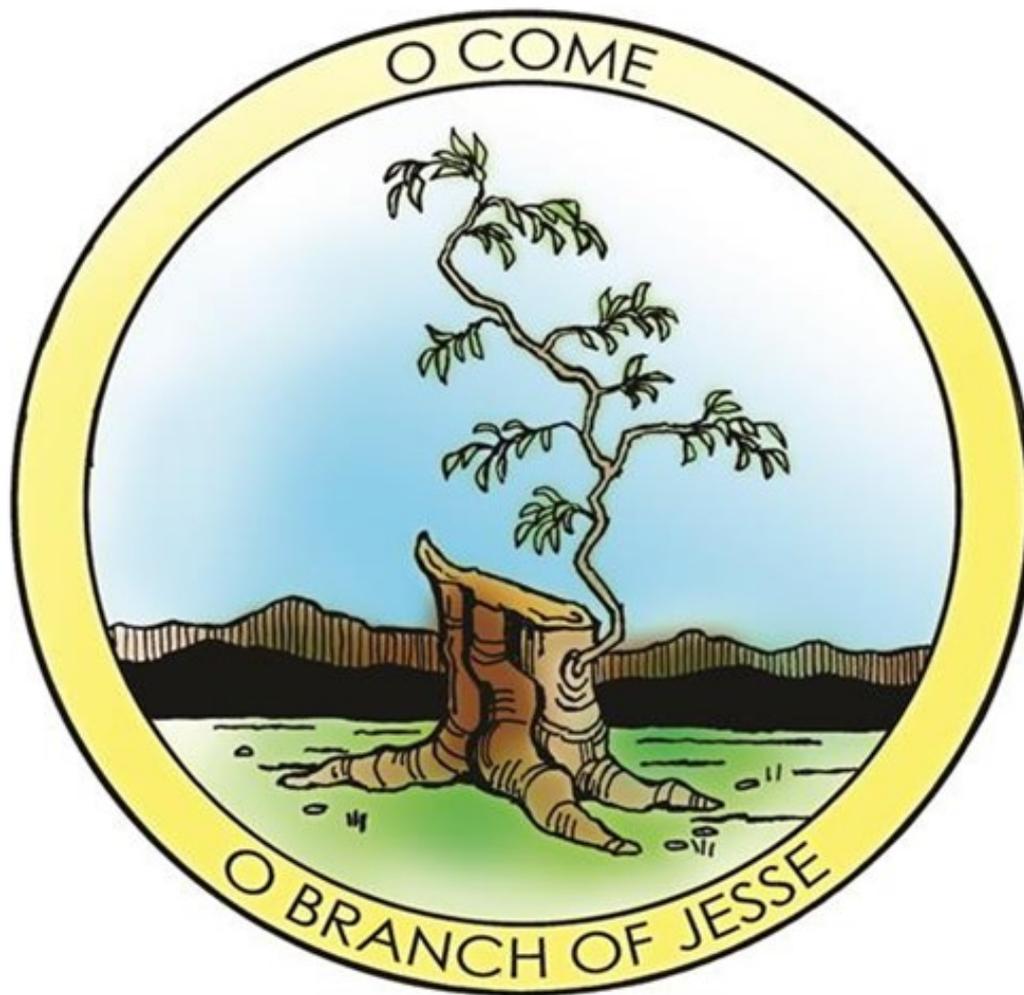
The Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ!**

SERMON

*Stumps*

Pastor Mike  
Millum





# **SPECIAL MUSIC**

## **“Isaiah 11” by Robin Clavijo**

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# **NICENE CREED**

**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the  
Almighty, maker of  
heaven and earth, of all  
that is, seen and  
unseen.**

**We believe in one  
Lord, Jesus Christ, the  
only Son of God,**

# **CREDO NICENO**

**Creemos en un solo  
Dios, Padre  
todopoderoso,  
creador del cielo y de la  
tierra, de todo lo visible  
y lo invisible.**

**Creemos en un solo  
Señor Jesucristo, Hijo  
único de Dios,**

## **NICENE CREED**

**eternally begotten of  
the Father, God from  
God, Light from Light,  
true God from true  
God, begotten, not  
made, of one Being  
with the Father.**

## **CREDO NICENO**

**nacido del Padre  
antes de todos los  
siglos: Dios de Dios,  
Luz de Luz, Dios  
verdadero de Dios  
verdadero,  
engendrado, no  
creado, de la misma  
naturaleza que el  
Padre,**

## **NICENE CREED**

**Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human.**

## **CREDO NICENO**

**por quien todo fue hecho; que por nosotros y por nuestra salvación bajó del cielo, y por obra del Espíritu Santo se encarnó de María la Virgen, y se hizo hombre;**

## **NICENE CREED**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;**

## **CREDO NICOENO**

**y por nuestra causa fue crucificado en tiempos de Poncio Pilato; padeció y fue sepultado, y resucitó al tercer día, según las Escrituras,**

## **NICENE CREED**

**he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

## **CREDO NICENO**

**y subió al cielo y está sentado a la diestra del Padre; y de nuevo vendrá con gloria para juzgar a vivos y a muertos, y su reino no tendrá fin.**

## **NICENE CREED**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. who with the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.**

## **CREDO NICENO**

**Creemos en el Espíritu Santo, el Señor y Dador de vida, que procede del Padre y el Hijo, que con el Padre y el hijo recibe una misma adoración y gloria,**

# **NICENE CREED**

**who has spoken  
through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy  
catholic and apostolic  
Church.  
We acknowledge one  
Baptism for the  
forgiveness of sins.**

# **CREDO NICENO**

**y que habló por los  
profetas. Creemos en  
la iglesia, que es una,  
santa, católica y  
apostólica.  
Reconocemos un solo  
bautismo para el  
perdón de los  
pecados.**

# **NICENE CREED**

**We look for the  
resurrection of the  
dead, and the life of  
the world to come.  
Amen.**

# **CREDO NICOENO**

**Esperamos la  
resurrección de los  
muertos y la vida del  
mundo  
venidero. Amén.**

# THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

*After each petition of the prayer:*

A: People Get Ready,

**C: The Lord is Coming.**



# SHARING OF THE PEACE COMPARTIENDO LA PAZ

*A time to greet each other with God's peace.*



**P:** The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**C:** And also with you.

# WE GATHER THE OFFERING

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Thank you for your offering of worship.



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through Zelle: [digital\\_giving@tisgrace.org](mailto:digital_giving@tisgrace.org)

# OFFERING PRAYER

A: Our God,

**C: architect of this world and all others: we know you had a vision for all your creation to dwell together. With the leopard and the kid, the lion and the ox, we acknowledge that you long for us to live in peace and respect with one another. We give this morning, understanding that we have rebelled against this vision of peace.**

# OFFERING PRAYER

**C: We ask you to help us use who we are and what we have to heal this abused and broken world. In Christ, our Savior. Amen. (Isaiah 11:1-10)**

# THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

# THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: It is truly right and our greatest joy to give you thanks and praise, O Lord our God, creator and ruler of the universe. The earth is full of your knowledge and glory. You made all creatures to live in peace and safety and sent a little child to lead us. You sent prophets like Isaiah and John the Baptist to prepare the way for his coming, and the promise of peace.

# THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with choirs of angels with prophets, apostles, and all the faithful of every time and place who forever sing to the glory of your name:

**Holy, holy, holy (sung)**

# THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: You are holy, O God of majesty, and blessed is Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. Baptized by John, Christ came to deliver us from sin, and to pour out the Holy Spirit upon your church. By our faith in Christ, we have the hope of eternal life.

P: On the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: "Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this in remembrance of me."

# THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: “This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this in remembrance of me.”

P: Remembering, therefore your gracious acts in Jesus Christ, we take from your creation this bread and this wine and joyfully celebrate his dying and rising, as we await the day of his coming.

P: With thanksgiving, we offer our very selves to you to be a living and holy sacrifice, dedicated to your service. Great is the mystery of faith:

# THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

**C: Christ was born. Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

P: Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these your gifts of bread and wine, that the bread we break and the cup we bless may be the communion of the body and blood of Christ. By your Spirit, unite us with Christ and with your church in all the world. Fill us with wisdom and understanding, knowledge and power, and grant that we may live in harmony with one another as we await the coming of the kingdom of heaven.

# THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor are yours, almighty God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**P:** In the language of your heart, let us pray the prayer that Jesus taught us:

**C:** Our father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

## **PADRE NUESTRO**

**P:** En el idioma de tu corazón, rezamos la oración que Jesús nos enseñó:

**C:** Padre nuestro, que estás en el cielo, santificado sea tu nombre. Hágase tu voluntad en la tierra como en el cielo.

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**Give us this day our  
daily bread, and  
forgive us our  
trespasses, as we  
forgive those who  
trespass against us.**

## **PADRE NUESTRO**

**Danos hoy nuestro  
pan de cada dia.  
Perdona nuestras  
ofensas como  
también nosotros  
perdonamos a los  
que nos ofenden.**

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

## **PADRE NUESTRO**

**No nos dejes caer en tentacion y libranos del mal. Porque tuyo es el reino, tuyo es el poder y tuya es la gloria, ahora y siempre, amen.**

# INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P: This is the table set by the Prince of Peace, the living plant that springs forth from the stump of King David. This is the foretaste of the heavenly banquet, where we celebrate the gift of life and the promise of peace. Come, for all are welcome!

# THE MEAL





# POST COMMUNION PRAYER

P: Merciful God,

**C: you sent your messengers to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation. May the body and blood of Christ which we have received in this meal give us strength to turn away from our sins, so that we may greet our coming redeemer, Jesus Christ, with joy. For he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

# **BLESSING AND SENDING**

**P:** Go now and prepare the way of the Lord. Welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, and bear fruits worthy of repentance.

**P:** And may God grant you harmony with one another; May Christ Jesus fill you with joy and peace in believing; And may the Holy Spirit empower you and fill you with hope.

**C: In the name of Christ. Amen.**

# SENDING SONG

*Hark! a Thrilling Voice is Sounding!*

**Red Hymnal #246**

1 Hark! a thrilling voice is sounding!

"Christ is near," we hear it say.

"Cast away the works of darkness,  
all you children of the day!"

2 Wakened by the solemn warning,

from earth's bondage let us rise;

Christ, our sun, all sloth dispelling,  
shines upon the morning skies.

# **SENDING SONG**

**Hark! a Thrilling Voice is Sounding!**

**Red Hymnal #246**

3 See the Lamb, so long expected,  
come with pardon down from heav'n.  
Let us haste, with tears of sorrow,  
one and all, to be forgiv'n;

4 So, when next he comes in glory  
and the world is wrapped in fear,  
he will shield us with his mercy  
and with words of love draw near.

# **SENDING SONG**

**Hark! a Thrilling Voice is Sounding!**

**Red Hymnal #246**

5 Honor, glory, might, and blessing  
to the Father and the Son  
with the everlasting Spirit  
while unending ages run!

Text: Latin hymn, 1632; tr. Edward Caswall, 1814-1878

# DISMISSAL

A: Go in peace to love  
and serve the Lord.  
Christ is coming soon!

C: Amen. Thanks be  
to God!

