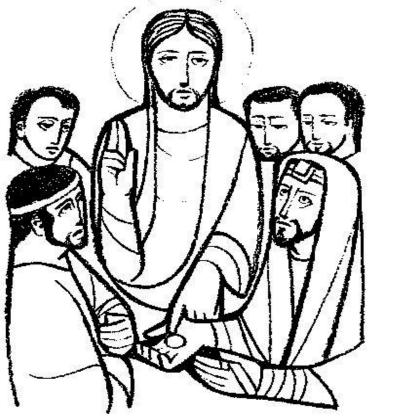
October 22, 2023 21st Sunday after Pentecost Welcome! PRELUDE: ¡Bienvenido! Open My Eyes, That I May See



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

P: We come to the Lord, who is above all earthly rule and authority, to confess the ways in which we have given faith and allegiance to other authorities that should be given to God alone.

—Silence for Reflection—

P: Almighty and merciful God:

C: You reign above all rulers and authorities, yet we confess that we are so easily pulled this way and that by those who would promise instant solutions for our ills and the ills of the world. We seek wholeness and healing for the world, and don't know what to do, so we pay attention to those voices that cry the loudest,

C: and believe those voices when they place blame on a few. We place our trust in tangible things—things we can see and touch—and question whether you are really there. Forgive us, Holy One, when we fail to recognize that you are always nearby, patiently waiting for us to recognize your presence and your glory. Help us when we lose our way,

C: and forgive our misplaced allegiances and outright idolatry. Open our eyes to see you; open our ears to hear you; open our hearts to love you; and open our hands to serve you, in the name of Jesus Christ, who is Lord of lords. AMEN.

P: Hear the promise that comes from the Apostle Paul who writes, "turn from idols to serve the one living and true God, and wait on his Son Jesus Christ, whom he raised from the dead, for he comes to rescue us from the wrath to come (1 Thessalonians 1:10). In the name of Jesus Christ, your sin is forgiven!

C: Thanks be to God!

Refrain

Take my life, that I may be consecrated, Lord, to thee; take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise. *Verse 1.*

Take my hands and let them move at the impulse of thy love; take my feet and let them be swift and beautiful for thee.

Refrain

Take my life, that I may be consecrated, Lord, to thee; take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise. *Verse 2.*

Take my silver and my gold, not a mite would I withhold; take my intellect and use ev'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose.

Refrain

Take my life, that I may be consecrated, Lord, to thee; take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise. *Verse 3.*

Take my voice and let me sing always, only for my King; take my lips and let them be filled with messages from thee.

Refrain

Take my life, that I may be consecrated, Lord, to thee; take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise. *Verse 4.*

Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine; take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.

Refrain

Take my life, that I may be consecrated, Lord, to thee; take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise.

GREETING

A: Though there are rulers, presidents, kings, queens, God is the Lord of all life. **C: In God we live and move and have our being.**

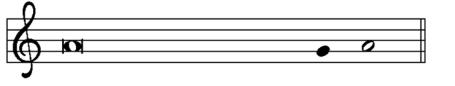
A: Let us worship the Lord alone, and recommit our lives to his service.
C: We reach out to others with the same kind of love with which God has touched our lives.

GREETING

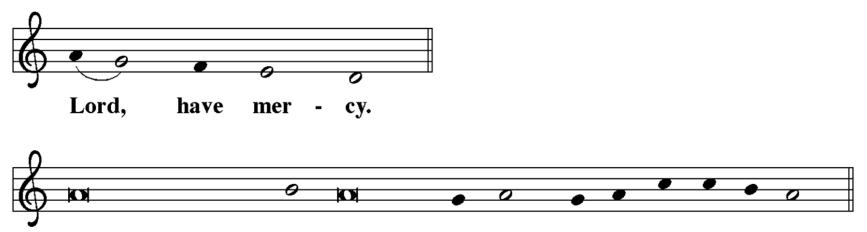
A: Come, let us worship the Lord who is always with us.

C: Let us praise God who walks daily by our side. AMEN.

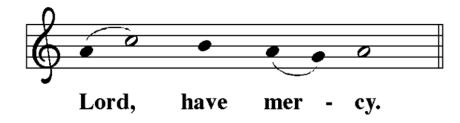
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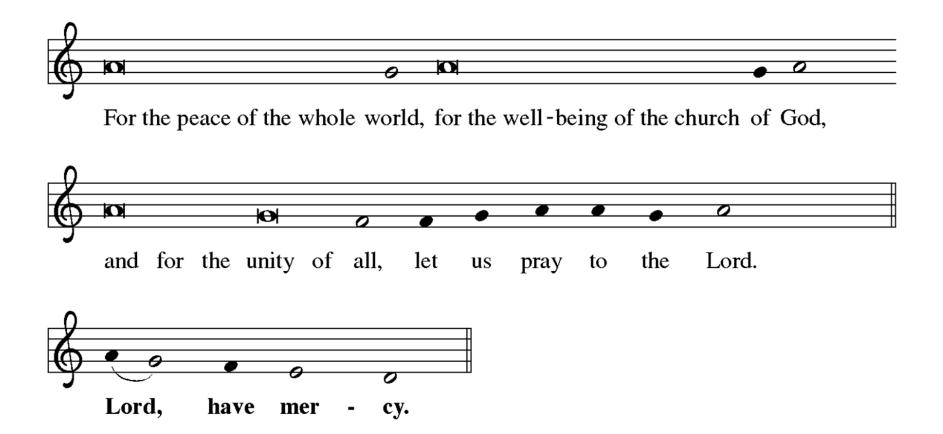
In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



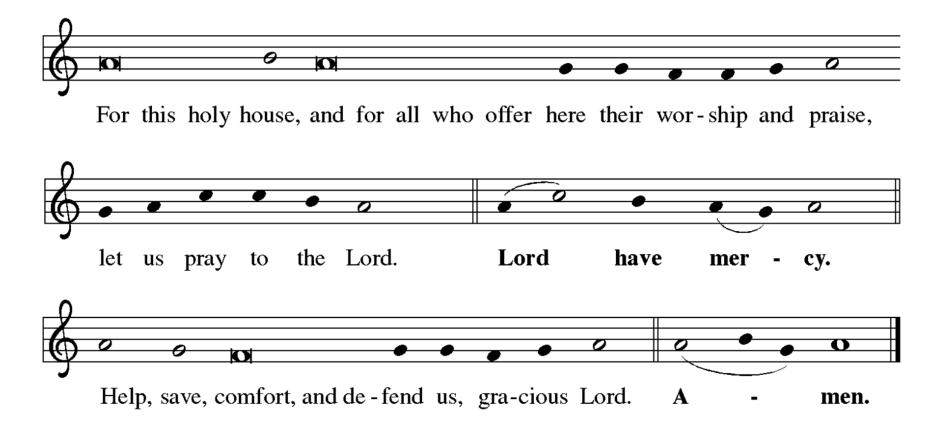
For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal-vation, let us pray to the Lord.



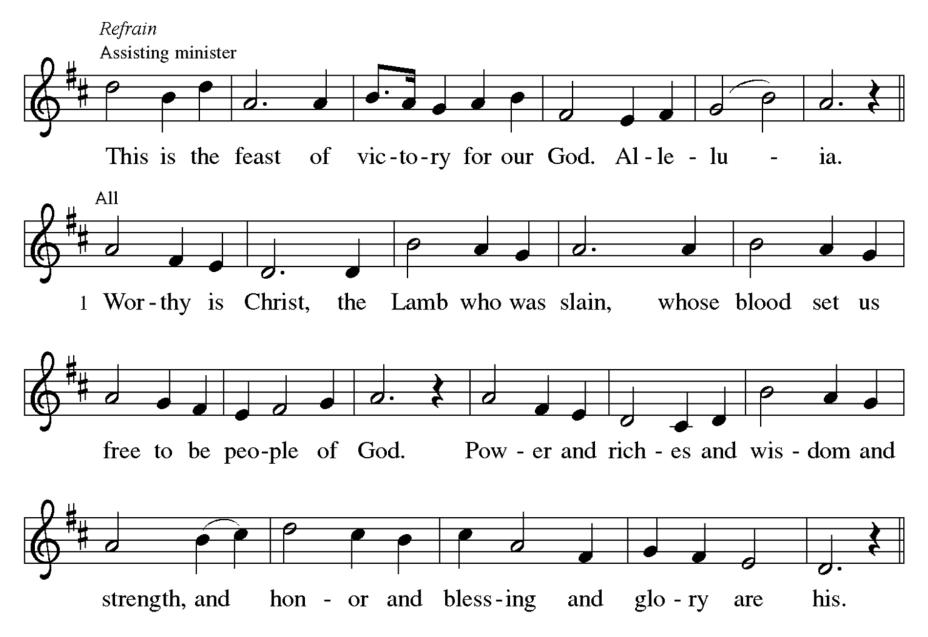
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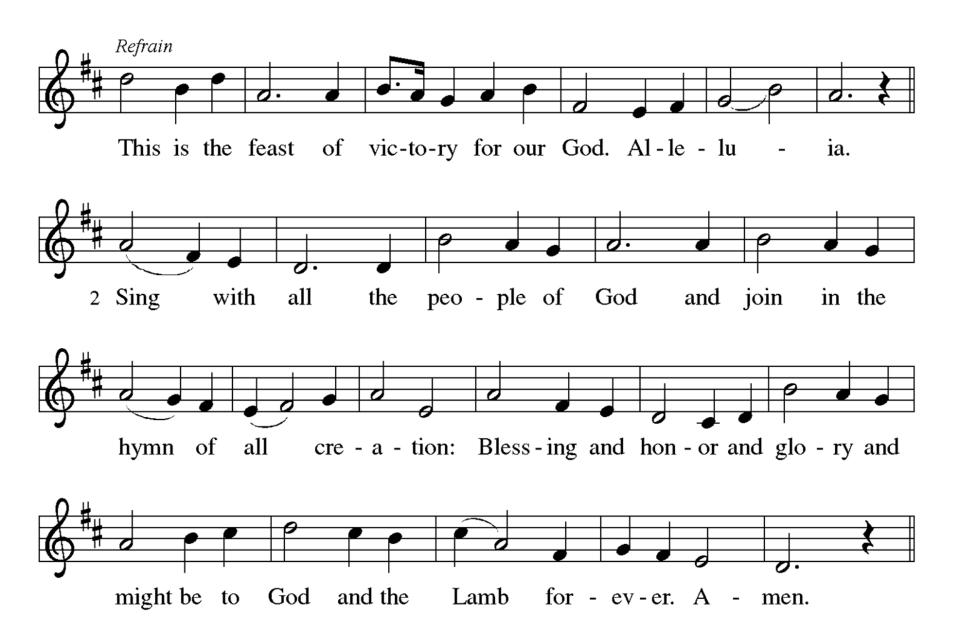
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PRAYER OF THE DAY

A: God, you are God forever. C: This alone is cause for celebration, but we also know that we are your people! As we feel your love washing over us now, may we love you with every part of our being: heart, mind, body, and soul. We celebrate your love in our lives, and we ask for your help as we try our best to boldly share the good news of your love with others. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ, who models the way for us. AMEN.

¹Thus says the LORD to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have grasped to subdue nations before him and strip kings of their robes, to open doors before him—and the gates shall not be closed:

PRIMERA LECTURA: Isaías 45:1-7

El Señor consagró a Ciro como rey, lo tomó de la mano para que dominara las naciones y desarmara a los reyes. El Señor hace que delante de Ciro se abran las puertas de las ciudades sin que nadie pueda cerrárselas. Y ahora le dice:

²I will go before you and level the mountains, I will break in pieces the doors of bronze and cut through the bars of iron,

PRIMERA LECTURA: Isaías 45:1-7

² Yo iré delante de ti, derribaré las alturas, romperé las puertas de bronce y haré pedazos las barras de hierro.

³I will give you the treasures of darkness and riches hidden in secret places, so that you may know that it is I, the LORD, the God of Israel, who call you by your name. ⁴For the sake of my servant Jacob, and Israel my chosen, I call you by your name, I surname you, though you do not know me.

PRIMERA LECTURA: Isaías 45:1-7

³ Yo te entregaré tesoros escondidos, riquezas guardadas en lugares secretos, para que sepas que yo soy el Señor, el Dios de Israel, que te llama por tu nombre. ⁴ Por consideración a mi siervo Jacob, al pueblo de Israel, que he elegido, te he llamado por tu nombre y te he dado el título de honor que tienes, sin que tú me conocieras.

⁵I am the LORD, and there is no other; besides me there is no god. I arm you, though you do not know me, ⁶so that they may know, from the rising of the sun and from the west, that there is no one besides me; I am the LORD, and there is no other.

PRIMERA LECTURA: Isaías 45:1-7

⁵ Yo soy el Señor, no hay otro; fuera de mí no hay Dios. Yo te he preparado para la lucha sin que tú me conocieras, ⁶ para que sepan todos, de oriente a occidente, que fuera de mí no hay ningún otro. Yo soy el Señor, no hay otro.

⁷I form light and create darkness, I make weal and create woe; I the LORD do all these things.

PRIMERA LECTURA: Isaías 45:1-7 ⁷Yo creo la luz y la oscuridad, produzco el bienestar y la desgracia. Yo, el Señor, hago todas estas cosas.

A: Word of God, Word of Life, C: Thanks be to God!

A: ¹Sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth.

C: ²Sing to the LORD, bless the name of the LORD; proclaim God's salvation from day to day.

A: ³Declare God's glory among the nations and God's wonders among all peoples. C: ⁴For great is the LORD and greatly to be praised, more to be feared ¹ than all gods.

A: ⁵As for all the gods of the nations, they are but idols; but you, O LORD, have made the heavens. **C:** ⁶Majesty and magnificence are in your presence; power and splendor are in your sanctuary.

A: ⁷Ascribe to the LORD, you families of the peoples, ascribe to the LORD honor and power.

C: ⁸Ascribe to the LORD the honor due the holy name; bring offerings and enter the courts of the LORD.

A: ⁹Worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness; tremble before the LORD, all the earth.

C: ¹⁰Tell it out among the nations: "The LORD is king! The one who made the world so firm that it cannot be moved will judge the peoples with equity."

A: ¹¹Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad; let the sea thunder and all that is in it; let the field be joyful and all that is therein.

C: ¹²Then shall all the trees of the wood shout for joy at your coming, O LORD, for you come to judge the earth.

A: ¹³You will judge the world with righteousness and the peoples with your truth.

¹Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace. ²We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly

SEGUNDA LECTURA 1 Tesalonicenses 1:1-10

1 Pablo, Silvano y Timoteo saludan a la comunidad de los creyentes de la ciudad de Tesalónica, que están unidos a Dios el Padre y al Señor Jesucristo. Que Dios derrame su gracia y su paz sobre ustedes.² Siempre damos gracias a Dios por todos ustedes, y los recordamos en nuestras oraciones.

³remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁴For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you,

SEGUNDA LECTURA 1 Tesalonicenses 1:1-10

³ Continuamente recordamos qué activa ha sido su fe, qué servicial su amor, y qué fuerte en los sufrimientos su esperanza en nuestro Señor Jesucristo, delante de nuestro Dios y Padre.⁴ Hermanos amados por Dios, sabemos que él los ha escogido.

⁵because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake.

SEGUNDA LECTURA 1 Tesalonicenses 1:1-10

⁵ Pues cuando nosotros les anunciamos el evangelio, no fue solamente con palabras, sino que lo hicimos también con demostraciones del poder de Dios y de la actividad del Espíritu Santo, y con una gran abundancia de gracias. Bien saben cómo nos portamos entre ustedes, buscando su propio bien.

⁶And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, ⁷so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia.

SEGUNDA LECTURA 1 Tesalonicenses 1:1-10

⁶ Ustedes, por su parte, siguieron nuestro ejemplo y el ejemplo del Señor, y recibieron el mensaje con la alegría que el Espíritu Santo les daba en medio de grandes sufrimientos.⁷ De esta manera llegaron a ser un ejemplo para todos los creventes en las regiones de Macedonia y Acaya.

⁸For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it.

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⁸ Partiendo de ustedes, el mensaje del Señor se ha extendido, no sólo por Macedonia y Acaya, sino por todas partes, y se sabe de la fe que ustedes tienen en Dios, de manera que ya no es necesario que nosotros digamos nada.

⁹For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God,

SEGUNDA LECTURA 1 Tesalonicenses 1:1-10

⁹ Al contrario, ellos mismos hablan de nuestra llegada a ustedes y de cómo ustedes abandonaron los ídolos y se volvieron al Dios vivo y verdadero para servirle

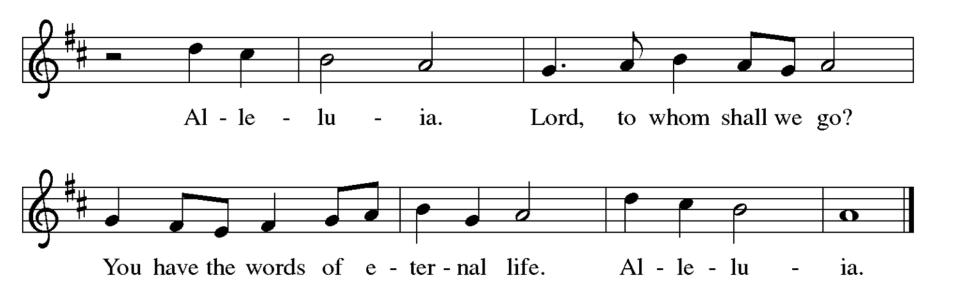
SECOND READING 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10 ¹⁰and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead—Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

SEGUNDA LECTURA 1 Tesalonicenses 1:1-10

¹⁰ y esperar que vuelva del cielo Jesús, el Hijo de Dios, al cual Dios resucitó. Jesús es quien nos salva del terrible castigo que viene.

A: Word of God, Word of Life, C: Thanks be to God!

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



P: A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew in the 22nd chapter.
C: Glory to you, O Lord!

¹⁵Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap [Jesus] in what he said. ¹⁶So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality.

EL EVANGELIO Mateo 22:15-22

¹⁵ Después de esto, los fariseos fueron y se pusieron de acuerdo para hacerle decir a Jesús algo que les diera motivo para acusarlo. ¹⁶ Así que mandaron a algunos de sus partidarios, junto con otros del partido de Herodes, a decirle: Maestro, sabemos que tú dices la verdad, y que enseñas de veras el camino de Dios, sin dejarte llevar por lo que diga la gente, porque no hablas para darles gusto.

¹⁷Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?" ¹⁸But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites?

EL EVANGELIO Mateo 22:15-22

¹⁷ Danos, pues, tu opinión: Está bien que paguemos impuestos al emperador romano, o no? ¹⁸ Jesús. dándose cuenta de la mala intención que llevaban, les dijo: Hipócritas, por qué me tienden trampas?

¹⁹Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. ²⁰Then he said to them, "Whose head is this, and whose title?" ²¹They answered, "The emperor's." Then he said to them, "Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's."

EL EVANGELIO Mateo 22:15-22

¹⁹ Enséñenme la moneda con que se paga el impuesto. Le trajeron un denario, ²⁰ y Jesús les preguntó: De quién es ésta cara y el nombre que aquí está escrito?²¹ Le contestaron: Del emperador. Jesús les dijo entonces: Pues den al emperador lo que es del emperador, y a Dios lo que es de Dios.

²²When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

EL EVANGELIO Mateo 22:15-22

²² Cuando oyeron esto,
se quedaron
admirados; y
dejándolo, se fueron.

P: The Gospel of the Lord, C: Praise to you, O Christ!

The Sermon "Hiding In Plain Sight" **Pastor Mike** Millum



Verse 1.

Kneels at the feet of his friends, silently washes their feet, master who acts as a slave to them.

Refrain

Verse 2.

Neighbors are wealthy and poor, varied in color and race, neighbors are nearby and far away.

Refrain

Verse 3.

These are the ones we will serve, these are the ones we will love; all these are neighbors to us and you.

Refrain

Verse 4.

Kneel at the feet of our friends, silently washing their feet: this is the way we will live with you.

Refrain

P: Dear friends, we give thanks for the gift of baptism and for this young woman, one with us in the body of Christ, who is making public affirmation of her baptism.

P: Let us pray.

Merciful God, we thank you for Mariah, whom you have made your own by water and the Word in Baptism. You have called her to yourself, Enlightened her with the gifts of your Spirit,

P: and nourished her in the community of faith. Uphold your servant in the gifts and promises of baptism, and unite the hearts of all whom you have brought to new birth. We ask this in the name of Christ.

C: Amen.

P: I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

P: Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God, the powers of this world that rebel against God, and the ways of sin that draw you from God?

Mariah: I renounce them

P: Do you believe in God the Father? C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

P: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God? C: I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.* On the third day he rose again;

C: he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

P: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit? C: I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

P: Mariah, you have made public profession of your faith. Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in holy baptism: to live among God's faithful people, to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper, to proclaim the good news of God in Christ

through word and deed,

- P: to serve all people, following the example of Jesus,
 - and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

Mariah: I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.

P: People of God, do you promise to support this sister and pray for her in her life in Christ?
C: We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.

P: Let us pray.

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give us new birth, cleanse us from sin, and raise us to eternal life.

P: Stir up in Mariah the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and

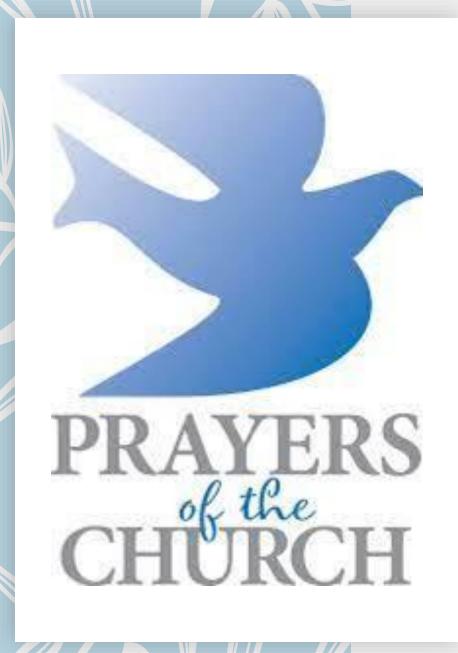
might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence. both now and forever.

C: Amen.

WELCOME OF MARIAH FRANCO

P: Let us rejoice with this sister in Christ.

C: We rejoice with you in the life of baptism. Together we will give thanks and praise to God and proclaim the good news to all the world.



After each petition of the prayer: A:

C:

SHARING OF THE PEACE COMPARTIENDO LA PAZ

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



P: The peace of Christ be with you always. **C: And also with you.**

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SPECIAL MUSIC CRY OUT TO JESUS Robin Clavijo

OFFERING PRAYER

A: Our loving God,

C: we thank you for protecting us in our daily lives by providing an ordered and peaceful existence. Help us to obey and respect the governing authorities. But above all, lead us to honor and obey you, our Lord, and to serve you with all that you have given us. AMEN.

- P: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- P: Lift up your hearts.
- C: We lift them to the Lord.

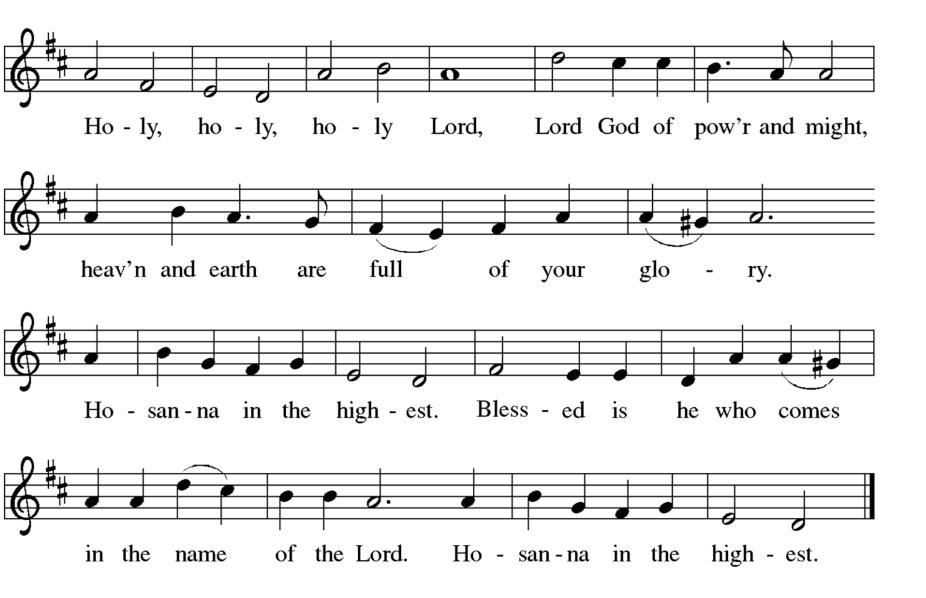
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P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. You are great and greatly to be praised. All other gods and nations are but idols, but you,

P: O Lord, made the heavens. Majesty and magnificence are in your presence, power and splendor are in your sanctuary (Psalm 96:3-6). And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



P: You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God. You are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory. In your Son, Jesus Christ, you have come to us in person, teaching us your ways in sincerity and truth. In him we have learned to give to you all that is yours—our faith and allegiance which we are sometimes tempted to give to Caesar and other authority figures who demand it (Matthew 22:18-22).

EUCHARIST

- P: In 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 for the remembrance of me."
- 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 for the remembrance of me."

EUCHARIST PRAYER

P: Remembering 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. 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:

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

EUCHARIST PRAYER

P: Lord God, you have anointed us and many unexpected people to serve, and have accomplished much good through them and us.
You deserve the praise for all the good they and we have done, though we often do not acknowledge your works (Isaiah 45;1-7).

P: To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.

C: AMEN.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

- A: 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

- A: En el idioma de tu corazón, r ezamos la oración que Jesús nos enseñó:
- C: Padre nuestro, que estás en los cielos, santificado sea tu nombre; Venga a nos tu reino; hágase tu voluntad, así en la tierra como en el cielo;

THE LORD'S PRAYER

C: Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

PADRE NUESTRO

C: El pan nuestro de cada día, dánoslo hoy; y perdónanos nuestras deudas así como nosotros perdonamos a nuestros deudores; y no nos dejes caer en la tentación; mas líbranos del mal.

THE LORD'S PRAYER C: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

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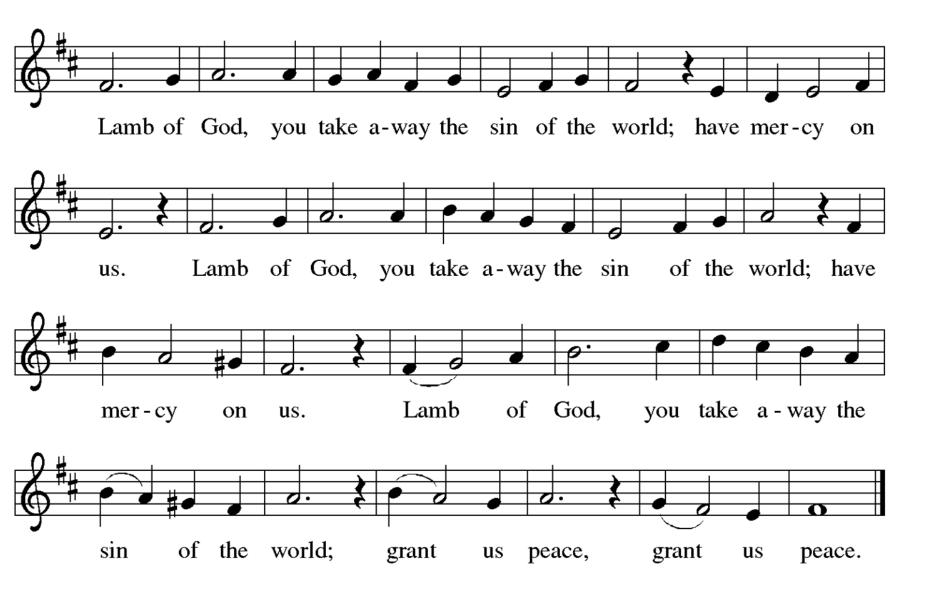
C: Porque tuyo es el reino, el poder y la gloria, por los siglos de los siglos. Amén.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION



P: The Lord God almighty, who is king and Lord above all other authority, calls you and all to come to his feast of grace and forgiveness. Receive this invitation and come, one and all to the heavenly feast.

LAMB OF GOD



THE MEAL



P: For those tuning in online to the service this morning, take your Bread or Wafer: "This is the Body of Christ Given For You. Take and Eat." Now take your juice or wine: "This is the Blood of Christ Shed for You. Take and Drink".



P: The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his Grace.

C: AMEN.

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

P: Let us pray that the Lord may guide our world. Lord, mighty God,

C: you are above all earthly rule and authority. Give to the leaders of the world and of our country a vision of the future that is both imaginative and realistic, and respectful of human rights and dignity. Help us to bear witness in everyday life to the values of the gospel and to be involved in the work of freedom, integrity and justice. May we thus build up a community that foreshadows our heavenly homeland. We ask this through Christ our Lord. AMEN.

BLESSING AND SENDING

P: Go now as those who have found favor in the sight of God. Be imitators of Jesus Christ and an example to all of the life of faith. To the world in which you live, give your love and service, and to God, give all that you are and all that you shall be.

P: And may the glory of God's goodness be revealed to you; May the grace and peace of Jesus Christ take root in you; And may the inspiration of the Holy Spirit fill you with joy.

C: AMEN.

Verse 1.

God of grace and God of glory, on your people pour your pow'r; crown your ancient church's story; bring its bud to glorious flow'r. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage for the facing of this hour, for the facing of this hour.

Verse 2.

Lo! the hosts of evil round us scorn the Christ, assail his ways! From the fears that long have bound us free our hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage for the living of these days, for the living of these days,

Verse 3.

Cure your children's warring madness; bend our pride to your control; shame our wanton, selfish gladness, rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, lest we miss your kingdom's goal, lest we miss your kingdom's goal.

Verse 4.

Save us from weak resignation to the evils we deplore; let the gift of your salvation be our glory evermore. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, serving you whom we adore, serving you whom we adore.

Text: Harry E. Fosdick, 1878-1969

DISMISSAL

A: Go in peace to Love and serve the Lord above all! C: Thanks be to God!

