November 12, 2023 24th Sunday after Pentecost

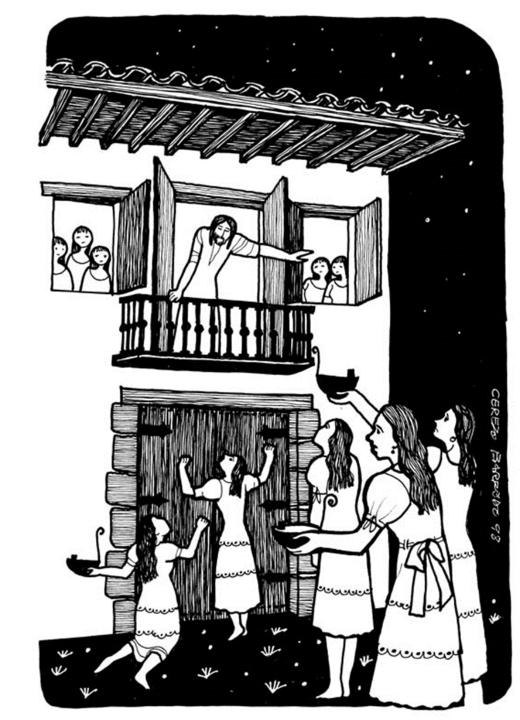
Welcome! ¡Bienvenido!

Prelude:

Jesus Shall Reign

John Hatton arr. Carol Tornquist Pam Asberry, pianist

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



VETERANS DAY



— Honoring All Who Served —



CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: The Lord who promised he would come to us, calls on us this day to confess that we have lost our vigilance, and are no longer actively looking for him to come into our lives and the lives of others.

—Silence for Reflection—

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: O Lord,

C: there never seems to be enough time to do all the things that are demanded of us. We live by the clock. We think we are ready for all events that will come our way. But we are rarely ready for you. We would like for you to come to us at a planned time so that we can fit you into our busy lives. Forgive us, Lord, for trying to make you a scheduled event.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

We have moved you to a time on our weekly calendars. Yet you, O Lord, are eternal. Help us to remain alert to your presence. Open our eyes to see and recognize you when you come. Help us readjust our priorities, so that we may place serving you, and others, above our self-serving ways. AMEN.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Hear this, the Lord is coming into our world and into our lives. And to the watchful, the Lord will not fail to forgive, if we occasionally fall asleep as we wait. Therefore, rejoice, and be alert. Ask the Lord, to open your eyes, and find his presence in simple ways, in ordinary experiences, and celebrate that he cares for us and our world enough to come to us and share in our lives. In the name of Jesus, the Christ, you are forgiven!

C: Amen. Come Lord Jesus!

GATHERING SONG Red Book # 625

Come, We That Love the Lord / We're Marching to Zion

Come, we that love the Lord, and let our joys be known; join in a song with sweet accord, join in a song with sweet accord and thus surround the throne, and thus surround the throne.

Refrain

GATHERING SONG Red Book # 625 **Come, We That Love the Lord / We're Marching to Zion**

2 Let those refuse to sing who never knew our God; but children of the heav'nly king, but children of the heav'nly king may tell their joys abroad, may tell their joys abroad.

Refrain

GATHERING SONG Red Book # 625 **Come, We That Love the Lord / We're Marching to Zion**

The hill of Zion yields
a thousand sacred sweets
before we reach the heav'nly fields,
before we reach the heav'nly fields,
or walk the golden streets,
or walk the golden streets.

Refrain

GATHERING SONG

Red Book # 625

Come, We That Love the Lord / We're Marching to Zion

Then let our songs abound,
and ev'ry tear be dry;
we're marching through Immanuel's ground,
we're marching through Immanuel's ground,
to fairer worlds on high,
to fairer worlds on high.

Refrain

GREETING

A: Are you awake? Are you alert?

C: Christ is coming into our lives in a new way.

A: Are you actively looking? Are you seeing clearly?

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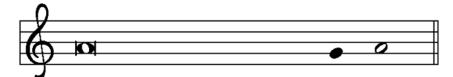
GREETING

A: Do you see opportunities for ministry? For serving the least of these, our brothers and sisters in whom our Lord is pleased to dwell?

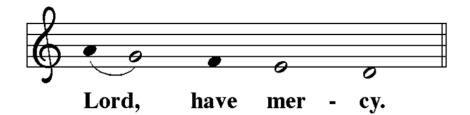
C: Christ is coming into our lives in a new way.

A: Let us worship and let us work in the reign of God.

C: Christ has extended the invitation: let us work together in the reign of God on earth.

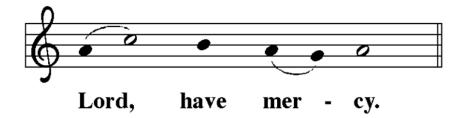


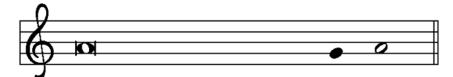
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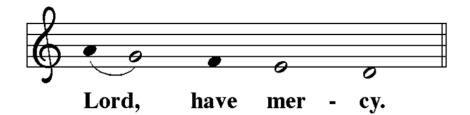


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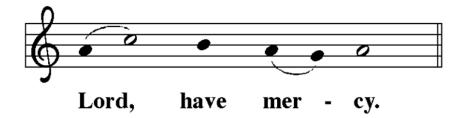


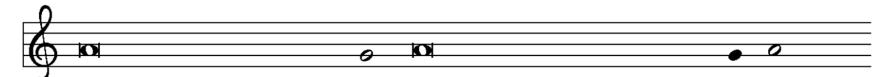
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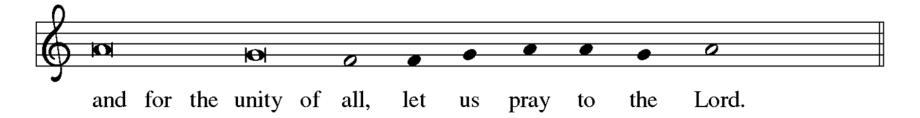


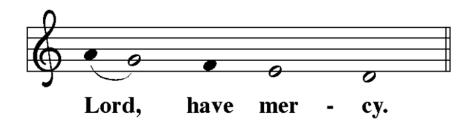
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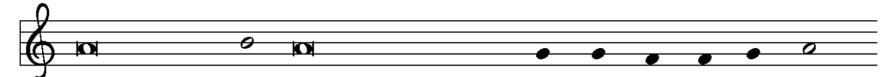




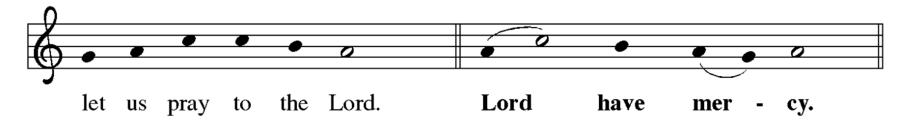
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,







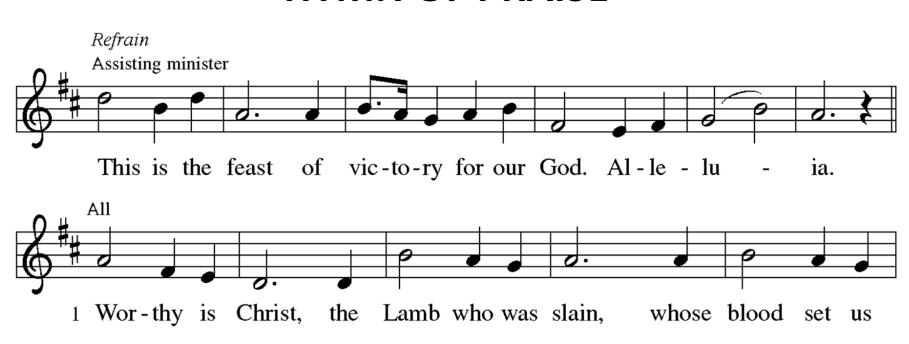
For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,





Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord. A - men.

HYMN OF PRAISE

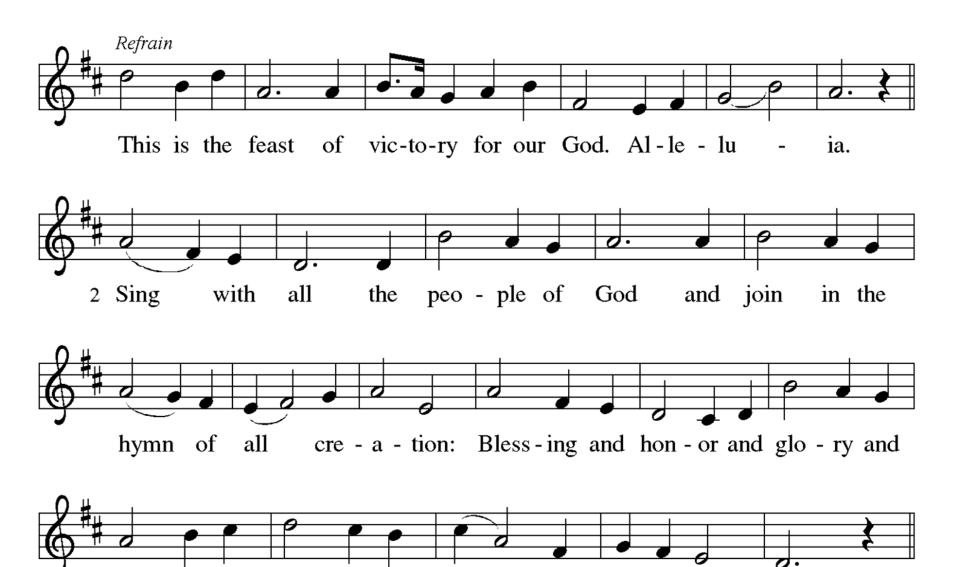




free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and



HYMN OF PRAISE



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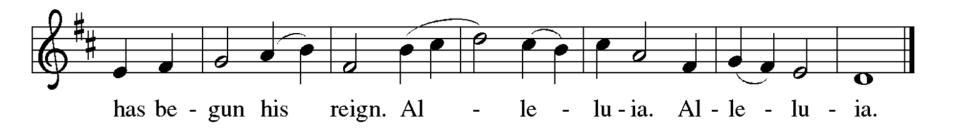
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HYMN OF PRAISE



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



PRAYER OF THE DAY

A: Ever Present God:

C: keep us alert as we wait for the coming of your Son, our Lord. Keep our eyes vigilant, not caught up in selfpreoccupations, and lesser priorities. Help us to identify Jesus's presence in midst of brokenness and chaos and renew our commitment to serve him and his coming kingdom. We ask this in the name of the one who comes, and is coming into our world, if we will just open our eyes to see. Amen.

¹⁸ Alas for you who desire the day of the LORD! Why do you want the day of the LORD? It is darkness, not light; 19 as if someone fled from a lion, and was met by a bear; or went into the house and rested a hand against the wall, and was bitten by a snake.

PRIMERA LECTURA: Amós 5:18-24

¹⁸ ¡Ay de los que ansían que llegue el día del Señor! ¿Saben cómo va a ser para ustedes ese día? Será día de oscuridad, y no de luz. ¹⁹ Será como cuando uno huye de un león y se topa con un oso, o como cuando uno entra en su casa, se apoya en la pared, y lo muerde una culebra.

²⁰ Is not the day of the LORD darkness, not light, and gloom with no brightness in it?
²¹ I hate, I despise your festivals, and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies.

PRIMERA LECTURA: Amós 5:18-24

²⁰ Sí, el día del Señor será de oscuridad, y no de luz; de densa oscuridad, sin claridad ninguna. ²¹ «Odio y desprecio las fiestas religiosas que ustedes celebran; me disgustan sus reuniones solemnes.

offer me your burnt offerings and grain offerings, I will not accept them; and the offerings of well-being of your fatted animals I will not look upon.

PRIMERA LECTURA: Amós 5:18-24

²² No quiero los holocaustos que ofrecen en mi honor, ni sus ofrendas de cereales; no aceptaré los gordos becerros de sus sacrificios de reconciliación.

²³ Take away from me the noise of your songs; I will not listen to the melody of your harps. ²⁴ But let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

PRIMERA LECTURA: Amós 5:18-24

²³ ¡Alejen de mí el ruido de sus cantos! ¡No quiero oír el sonido de sus arpas! ²⁴ Pero que fluya como agua la justicia, y la honradez como un manantial inagotable.

A: Word of God, Word of Life,

C: Thanks be to God!

PSALM: Psalm 70 We will speak the Psalm responsively. Please speak the verses in bold print.

- Be pleased, O God, to deliver me;O LORD, make haste to help me.
- 2 Let those who seek my life be put to shame and confounded; let those who take pleasure in my misfortune draw back and be disgraced.
- 3 Let those who say to me "Aha!" and gloat over me turn back because of their shame.

PSALM: Psalm 34:1-10, 22 We will speak the Psalm responsively. Please speak the verses in bold print.

- 4 Let all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you; let those who love your salvation say forever, "Great is the LORD!"
- But as for me, I am poor and needy; come to me quickly, O God. You are my helper and my deliverer; O LORD, do not tarry.

¹³ We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope.

SEGUNDA LECTURA1 Tesalonicenses 4:13-18

¹³ Hermanos, no queremos que se queden sin saber lo que pasa con los muertos, para que ustedes no se entristezcan como los otros, los que no tienen esperanza.

14 For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died.

SEGUNDA LECTURA1 Tesalonicenses 4:13-18

¹⁴ Así como creemos que Jesús murió y resucitó, así también creemos que Dios va a resucitar con Jesús a los que murieron creyendo en él.

¹⁵ For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died.

SEGUNDA LECTURA1 Tesalonicenses 4:13-18

¹⁵ Por esto les decimos a ustedes, como enseñanza del Señor, que nosotros, los que quedemos vivos hasta la venida del Señor, no nos adelantaremos a los que murieron.

¹⁶ For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first.

SEGUNDA LECTURA1 Tesalonicenses 4:13-18

¹⁶ Porque se oirá una voz de mando, la voz de un arcángel y el sonido de la trompeta de Dios, y el Señor mismo bajará del cielo. Y los que murieron creyendo en Cristo, resucitarán primero;

¹⁷ Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord forever. ¹⁸ Therefore encourage one another with these words.

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

SEGUNDA LECTURA

1 Tesalonicenses 4:13-18

¹⁷ después, los que hayamos quedado vivos seremos llevados, juntamente con ellos, en las nubes, para encontrarnos con el Señor en el aire; y así estaremos con el Señor para siempre. 18 Anímense, pues, unos a otros con estas palabras.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu

P: A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew in the 25th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord!

You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 25:1-13

[Jesus said to the disciples:] 1"Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. ² Five of them were foolish, and five were wise.

EL EVANGELIO Mateo 25:1-13

¹ »Sucederá entonces con el reino de los cielos como lo que sucedió en una boda: diez muchachas tomaron sus lámparas de aceite y salieron a recibir al novio. ² Cinco de ellas eran despreocupadas y cinco previsoras.

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 25:1-13

³ When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; 4 but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. ⁵ As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept.

EL EVANGELIO Mateo 25:1-13

³ Las despreocupadas llevaron sus lámparas, pero no llevaron aceite para llenarlas de nuevo; 4 en cambio, las previsoras llevaron sus botellas de aceite, además de sus lámparas. ⁵ Como el novio tardaba en llegar, les dio sueño a todas, y por fin se durmieron.

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 25:1-13 ⁶ But at midnight there was a shout, 'Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' 7 Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. 8 The foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are

going out.'

EL EVANGELIO Mateo 25:1-13 ⁶ Cerca de la medianoche, se oyó gritar: "¡Ya viene el novio! ¡Salgan a recibirlo!" ⁷ Todas las muchachas se levantaron y comenzaron a preparar sus lámparas. 8 Entonces las cinco despreocupadas dijeron a las cinco previsoras: "Dennos un poco de su aceite, porque nuestras lámparas se están apagando."

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 25:1-13

⁹ But the wise replied, 'No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.' 10 And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut.

EL EVANGELIO Mateo 25:1-13 9 Pero las muchachas

previsoras contestaron: "No, porque así no alcanzará ni para nosotras ni para ustedes. Más vale que vayan a donde lo venden, y compren para ustedes mismas." 10 Pero mientras aquellas cinco muchachas fueron a comprar aceite, llegó el novio, y las que habían sido previsoras entraron con él en la boda, y se cerró la puerta.

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 25:1-13

¹¹ Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' 12 But he replied, 'Truly I tell you, I do not know you.' 13 Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

EL EVANGELIO Mateo 25:1-13

¹¹ Después llegaron las otras muchachas, diciendo: "¡Señor, señor, ábrenos!" ¹² Pero él les contestó: "Les aseguro que no las conozco." ¹³ »Manténganse ustedes despiertos — añadió Jesús —, porque no saben ni el día ni la hora.

P: The Gospel of the Lord,

C: Praise to you, O Christ!



Sermon "Give Me Oil For My Lamp" Pastor Mike

HYMN OF THE DAY This Is A Day Of New Beginnings (Beginnings)

Verse 1

This is a day of new beginnings
Time to remember and move on
Time to believe what love is bringing
Laying to rest the pain that's gone

Verse 2

For by the life and death of Jesus Love's mighty Spirit now as then Can make for us a world of difference As faith and hope are born again

HYMN OF THE DAY This Is A Day Of New Beginnings (Beginnings)

Verse 3

Then let us with the Spirit's daring Step from the past and leave behind Our disappointment guilt and grieving Seeking new paths and sure to find

Verse 4

Christ is alive and goes before us
To show and share what love can do
This is a day of new beginnings
Our God is making all things new

HYMN OF THE DAY This Is A Day Of New Beginnings (Beginnings)

Verse 5

In faith we'll gather 'round the table To taste and share what love can do This is a day of new beginnings Our God is making all things new

EL CREDO DE LOS APÓSTOLES

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Creo en Dios, Padre todopoderoso, creador del Cielo y de la Tierra.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.

Creo en Jesucristo su único Hijo, Nuestro Seńor, que fue concebido por obra y gracia del Espíritu Santo; nació de Santa María Virgen;

EL CREDO DE LOS APÓSTOLES

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell.*

padeció bajo el poder de Poncio Pilato; fue crucificado, muerto y sepultado; descendió a los infiernos;

On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven,

al tercer día resucitó de entre los muertos; subió a los cielos

and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

EL CREDO DE LOS APÓSTOLES

y está a la diestra de Dios Padre; desde allí ha de venir a juzgar a los vivos y a los muertos.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, Creo en el Espíritu Santo, en la Santa Iglesia Católica, la comumión de los Santos

EL CREDO DE LOS APÓSTOLES

the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

en el perdon de los pecados la resurrección de los muertos y la vida eterna. Amén.



After each petition of the prayer:

A: Hear our prayers

C: And come, Lord

Jesus!

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.

WE GATHER THE OFFERING

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All Creation Sings Book # 949

Choir and Congregation Sing:

Keep your lamps trimmed and burning, keep your lamps trimmed and burning, keep your lamps trimmed and burning, for this work's almost done.

Refrain

Children, don't grow weary; children, don't grow weary; children, don't grow weary, for this work's almost done.

All Creation Sings Book # 949

Choir and Congregation Sing:

Darker midnight lies before us, darker midnight lies before us, darker midnight lies before us, for this work's almost done.

Refrain

Children, don't grow weary; children, don't grow weary; children, don't grow weary, for this work's almost done.

All Creation Sings Book # 949

Choir and Congregation Sing:

Lo, the morning soon is breaking, lo, the morning soon is breaking, lo, the morning soon is breaking, for this work's almost done.

Refrain

Children, don't grow weary; children, don't grow weary; children, don't grow weary, for this work's almost done.

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Choir and Congregation Sing:

4 Keep your lamps trimmed and burning, keep your lamps trimmed and burning, keep your lamps trimmed and burning, for this work's almost done.

Refrain

Children, don't grow weary; children, don't grow weary; children, don't grow weary, for this work's almost done.

Text: African American spiritual

OFFERING PRAYER

A: Thank you, Lord,

C: for all your gifts, and for giving us the privilege of serving you. Help us to be alert and ready for your coming, serving you faithfully and doing your will. Amen.



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.

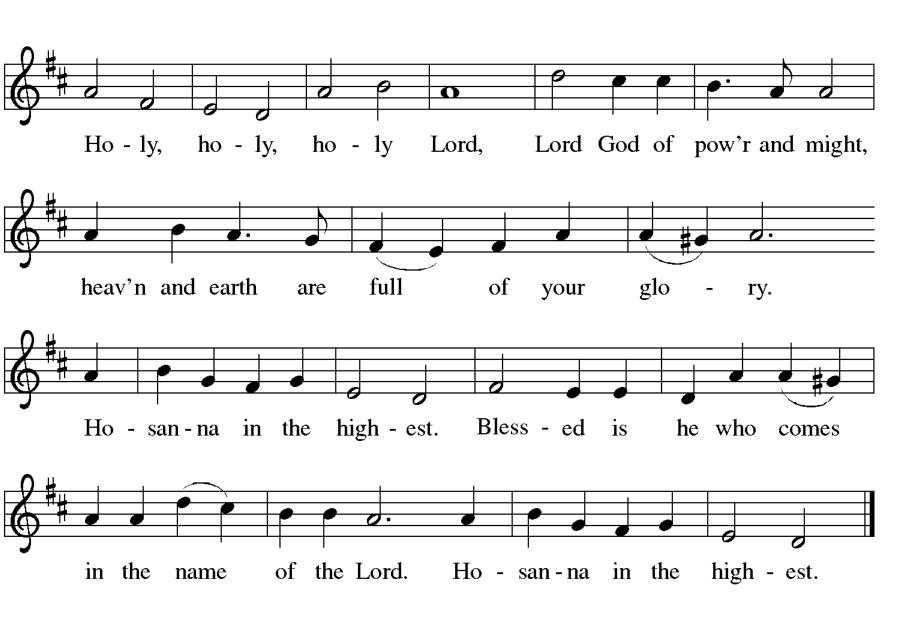
C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is our duty and our joy, always to give you thanks and praise, O Lord God, for you are the creator of heaven and earth. We sing for you our praises, for you are worthy of our worship and our devotion. As much as you welcome our worship and our praise, you desire even more that we let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream (Amos 5:24).

P: 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



You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God. The Lord Jesus, the bridegroom, invites us to join him at the wedding feast. Therefore, we light our lamps and go to meet him, but we find that he is always with us. Let us meet him at the table where we find that he is present in the bread and wine of this simple meal, his body and blood, that he gave up for our redemption (Matthew 25:1-7).

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

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

We thank you Lord, that you comfort us with the promise that our loved ones who have died and are with you in your eternal care and keeping. Through the eyes of faith, you give us the ability to see and recognize your coming into our lives and promise we will be reunited with our loved ones when we are all gathered up together in your eternal reign. (1 Thessalonians 4:13-18).

EUCHARIST PRAYER

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

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:

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

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.

PADRE NUESTRO

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

INVITATION TO COMMUNION



P: The doors are open.
The bridegroom knows who you are and invites all of you to the wedding banquet. Therefore, come to the Lord's table. You are welcome.

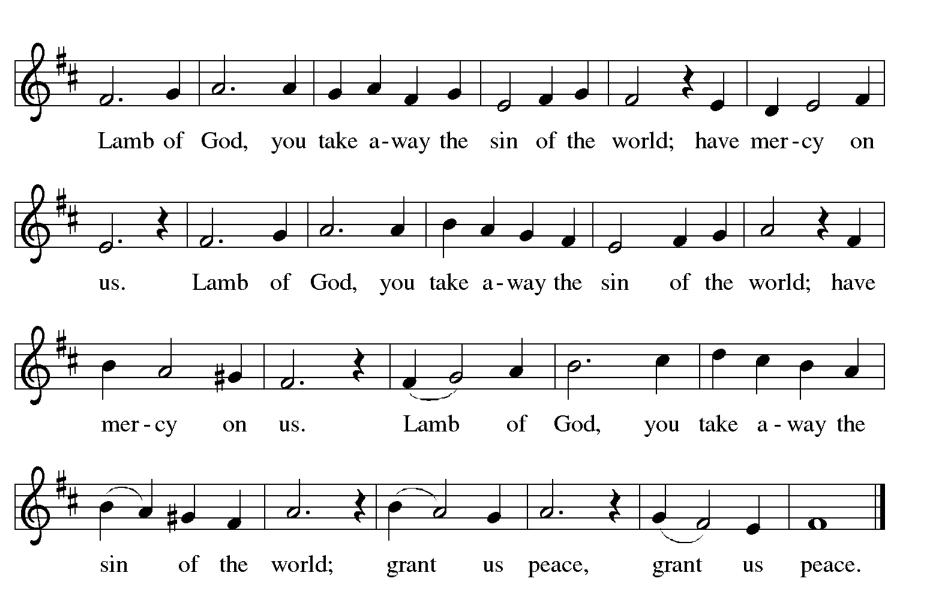
THE MEAL



(For online viewers)

P: For those of you who have tuned in online:
Please take the bread you have prepared.
This is the body of Christ, broken for you.
Take and eat. And now the wine or juice.
This is the blood of Christ shed for you.
Take and eat.

LAMB OF GOD



THE MEAL at AMAZING GRACE



PRAYER OF BLESSING

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

C: Amen.



POST COMMUNION PRAYER

P: Eternal Heavenly Father,

keep us watchful and alert as we wait C: for the coming of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Help us to hear his voice when he stands at the door and knocks, so that he may come into us and eat with us. For he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

BLESSING AND SENDING

P: Go now, in the freedom of the gospel of Christ. Encourage one another to lead lives worthy of God and walk together in service and humility. Let your words and your lives be one in Christ.

P: And may the God of lasting love open the way before you; May Jesus the Messiah be your one instructor; And may the Holy Spirit lead you on into the promised land of God's kingdom and glory.

C: Amen.

Verse 1

Soon and very soon
We are goin' to see the King,
Soon and very soon
We are goin' to see the King,
Soon and very soon
We are goin' to see the King,

Chorus

Hallelujah, hallelujah, We're goin' to see the King!

Verse 2

No more cryin' there,
We are goin' to see the King,
No more cryin' there,
We are goin' to see the King,
No more cryin' there,
We are goin' to see the King.

Chorus

Hallelujah, hallelujah, We're goin' to see the King!

Verse 3

No more dyin' there,
We are goin' to see the King,
No more dyin' there,
We are goin' to see the King,
No more dyin' there,
We are goin' to see the King,

Chorus

Hallelujah, hallelujah, We're goin' to see the King!

Verse 4

Soon and very soon
We are goin' to see the King,
Soon and very soon
We are goin' to see the King,
Soon and very soon
We are goin' to see the King,

Chorus

Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah,

DISMISSAL



A: Go in peace.

Share Christ in Word and deed.

C: Thanks be to God!