



**Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost**  
**Consecration Sunday**  
October 23, 2022 | 10:30 AM



**Everyone is welcome.** As people of God, St. John's welcomes all regardless of age, economic status, ethnic background, gender, physical or mental ability, race or sexual orientation. We affirm that in Christ "there is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female." (Galatians 3:28) This is Christ's church, and Christ has bid you come.

**Guests are welcome.** We are pleased you are worshiping with us today. So that we may be in contact with you, we invite you to sign the guest book in the narthex. Our programs are open to all and you are invited to participate. We hope you will worship with us again soon.

**Children are welcome.** We encourage them to attend worship with their parents—even their noise and restlessness are surely a delight to God. Children's bulletins are available from the ushers and a professionally staffed nursery is available from 7:45 AM to 11:45 AM. Follow the signs or ask any member for directions.

**To assist you during worship:** Large print worship bulletins are available from the ushers. If you are unable to come forward for communion, please inform an usher and the pastors will be happy to commune you at your pew.

**Offerings:** St. John's is a tithing church. We dedicate a percentage of our offerings to the mission of the wider church through the NJ Synod of the ELCA and to many other mission partners. We are able to support these ministries because of your offerings and tithes.

**Assisted Listening:** To access assisted listening, Connect to the StJohnsALS WiFi network. Download the free WaveCast app to your phone. Tap ST\_JOHNS\_ALS to connect. Please use your own headphones to listen. Individual wired devices coming soon!



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We're delighted you're worshiping with us. As part of our ongoing outreach, your voice and your image may be videographed and photographed and used by St. John's for ministry purposes. For any questions or concerns, contact the church office.

### **Prayer Before Worship**

Righteous and gracious Lord, you reveal to us the way of goodness and life. Teach us humility that we may trust in your power, and not our own, and make us ever grateful; in Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

*From Feasting on the Word Worship Companion, Year C, Vol. 2*

### **Gathering**

*The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.*

**ELW** *Evangelical Lutheran Worship: Red Book*

**ACS** *All Creation Sings: Purple Book*

**PRELUDE** Antiphonal Praise  
Quiet Praise

Dan R. Edwards  
Michael Bedford

The St. John's Luther Ringers

### **WELCOME**

*Please stand.*

### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

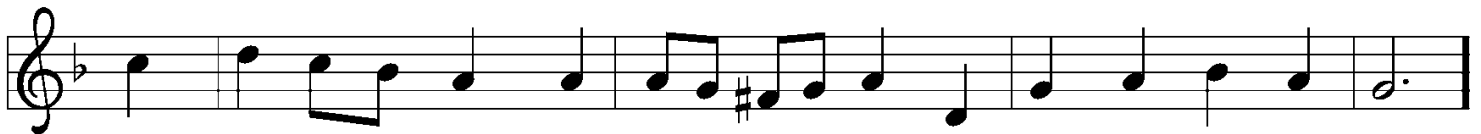
**Most merciful God, we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of word and sacrament in the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN ELW 873 Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart

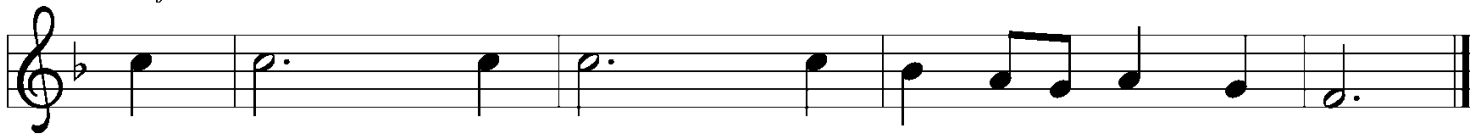


1 Re - joice, ye pure in heart! Re - joice, give thanks, and sing;  
2 With voice as full and strong as o - cean's surg - ing praise,  
3 With all the an - gel choirs, with all the saints on earth  
4 Still lift your stan - dard high, still march in firm ar - ray,



your fes - tal ban - ner wave on high, the cross of Christ your king.  
send forth the stur - dy hymns of old, the psalms of an - cient days.  
pour out the strains of joy and bliss, true rap - ture, no - blest mirth.  
as pil - grims through the dark - ness wend till dawns the gol - den day.

*Refrain*



Re - joice! Re - joice! Re - joice, give thanks, and sing!

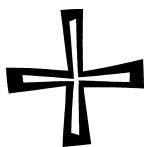
5 At last the march shall end;  
the wearied ones shall rest;  
the pilgrims find their home at last,  
Jerusalem the blest. *Refrain*

6 Praise God who reigns on high,  
the Lord whom we adore:  
the Father, Son, and Spirit blest,  
one God forevermore. *Refrain*

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Music: MARION, Arthur H. Messiter, 1834–1916

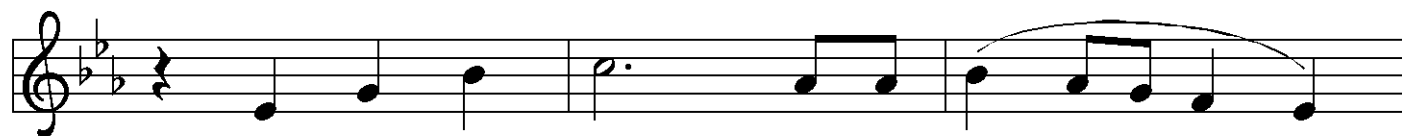
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## APOSTOLIC GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

## HYMN OF PRAISE



Glo - ry to God in the high -



est, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.



Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and



Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we




praise you for your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus



Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,




Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the




right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.




For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a -



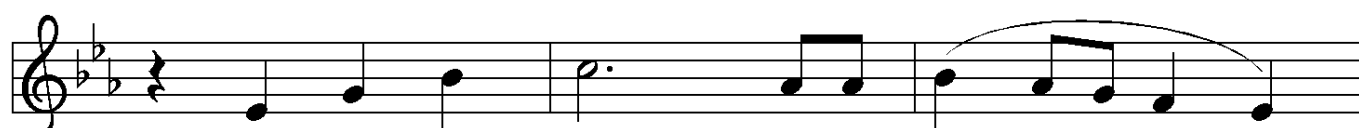
lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the Most High,



Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it, in the glo - ry of



God the Fa - ther. A - men.



Glo - ry to God in the high -



est, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. Holy God, our righteous judge, daily your mercy surprises us with everlasting forgiveness. Strengthen our hope in you, and grant that all the peoples of the earth may find their glory in you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

### Word

*God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching and song.*

*Please be seated.*

#### **FIRST READING** Sirach 35:12–17

<sup>12</sup>Give to the Most High as God has given to you, and as generously as you can afford. <sup>13</sup>For the Lord is the one who repays, and God will repay you sevenfold. <sup>14</sup>Do not offer God a bribe, for God will not accept it; <sup>15</sup>and do not rely on a dishonest sacrifice; for the Lord is the judge, and with God there is no partiality. <sup>16</sup>God will not show partiality to the poor; but God will listen to the prayer of one who is wronged. <sup>17</sup>God will not ignore the supplication of the orphan, or the widow when she pours out her complaint.

*The reader concludes:* The word of the Lord. *The assembly responds:* **Thanks be to God.**

#### **PSALM 96** Cantate Dominum

Hans Leo Hassler

Adult Choir

1 *Cantate Domino canticum novum;*  
*cantate Domino omnis terra.*

2 *Cantate Domino, et benedicite nomini ejus;*  
*annuntiate de die in diem salutare ejus.*

3 *Annuntiate inter gentes gloriam ejus;*  
*in omnibus populis mirabilia ejus.*

1 Sing to the Lord a new song;  
sing to the Lord, all the earth.

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

3 Declare God's glory among the nations  
and God's wonders among all peoples.

#### **SECOND READING** 2 Timothy 4:6–8, 16–18

<sup>6</sup>As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. <sup>7</sup>I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. <sup>8</sup>From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

<sup>16</sup>At my first defense no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! <sup>17</sup>But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. <sup>18</sup>The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

*The reader concludes:* The word of the Lord. *The assembly responds:* **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand.*

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*All sing the acclamation; Choir sings the proper verse.*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,  
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

V. All who exalt themselves <sup>1</sup> will be humbled,\*  
but all who humble themselves will <sup>1</sup> be exalted. (Luke 18:14)

## GOSPEL Luke 18:9–14

The Holy Gospel according to Luke. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>9</sup>[Jesus] also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt:<sup>10</sup>“Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. <sup>11</sup>The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, ‘God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. <sup>12</sup>I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.’ <sup>13</sup>But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, ‘God, be merciful to me, a sinner!’ <sup>14</sup>I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted.”

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Please be seated.*

## CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

## SERMON

The Rev. Blake A. Scalet



*Please stand.*

## HYMN OF THE DAY ACS 1048 Founded on Faith



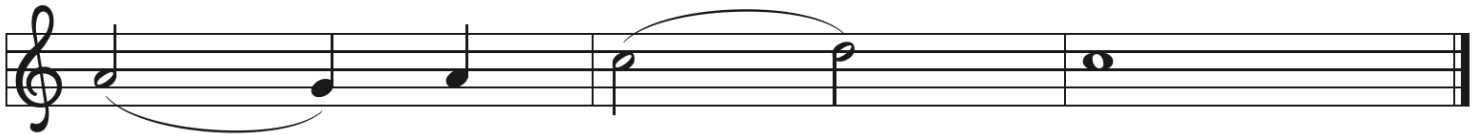
1 Found - ed on faith, the church— a - live by grace—  
2 Your cross, O Christ, re - news our life each day.  
3 E - quipped by prayer, we live the Spir - it's call.  
4 Grow - ing in grace for God's cre - at - ed earth,  
5 Found - ed on faith, called forth, em - pow' red to serve,



pro - claims the gos - pel here and ev - 'ry place.  
Bap - tized in you, we learn and teach and pray.  
Em - pow' red to serve with gifts, both great and small,  
we yearn for jus - tice, peace, and hu - man worth;  
we share God's end - less love with - out re - serve.



The word of God re - sounds through time and space:  
Fed by your love, with thank - ful hearts, we say:  
we bring the liv - ing hope of God to all.  
a world re - stored; a faith - ful, car - ing church.  
Then let us shout a - loud the liv - ing Word!



Al - le - lu - ia!

Text: Paul D. Weber, b. 1949

Music: FOUNDED ON FAITH, Paul D. Weber

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## **APOSTLES CREED**

Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith:

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

**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; 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.**

**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. Amen.**

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

God of mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

## **PEACE**

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

*Please be seated.*

## **PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR MISSION**

*Please stand.*

## **DEDICATION OF 2023 PLEDGES**

We come this day to dedicate our intentions to be faithful stewards of all that God has given us: our time, our talents, and our treasure. We have been blessed to be a blessing. We respond to a generous and loving God through our own generosity.

Let us commit our hearts and minds to God.

**Center us in routines that form our faith. Help us to be faithful in weekly worship, in daily prayer, and in study of the holy scriptures.**

Let us commit our souls and strength to God.

**Renew us in the mission of the church. Invigorate us to care for our neighbors in need.**

**Embolden us for striving for justice and peace.**

Let us commit our whole selves to God and our neighbors.

**Shape in us generous hearts. Take our time, our talents, and treasure for the work of your kingdom. Make us joyful givers and faithful stewards.**

*All are invited to come forward to place their 2023 pledge commitments and their offerings. Come down the center aisle, returning by the side aisles. Please join in singing the Offering Hymn.*

*You may also make an online contribution by visiting [www.stjohnssummit.org/giving](http://www.stjohnssummit.org/giving) or by scanning this code:*



## OFFERING HYMN ELW 695 As Saints of Old



1 As saints of old their first-fruits brought of or - chard, flock, and field  
2 A world in need now sum - mons us to la - bor, love, and give;  
3 In grat - i - tude and hum - ble trust we bring our best to - day



to God, the giv - er of all good, the source of boun-teous yield,  
to make our life an of - fer - ing to God, that all may live.  
to serve your cause and share your love with all a - long life's way.



so we to - day first - fruits would bring, the wealth of this good land,  
The church of Christ is call - ing us to make the dream come true:  
O God, who gave your - self to us in Je - sus Christ your Son,



of farm and mar - ket, shop and home, of mind and heart and hand.  
a world re-deemed by Christ-like love; all life in Christ made new.  
teach us to give our - selves each day un - til life's work is done.

Text: Frank von Christierson, 1900–1996, alt.

Music: FOREST GREEN, English folk tune

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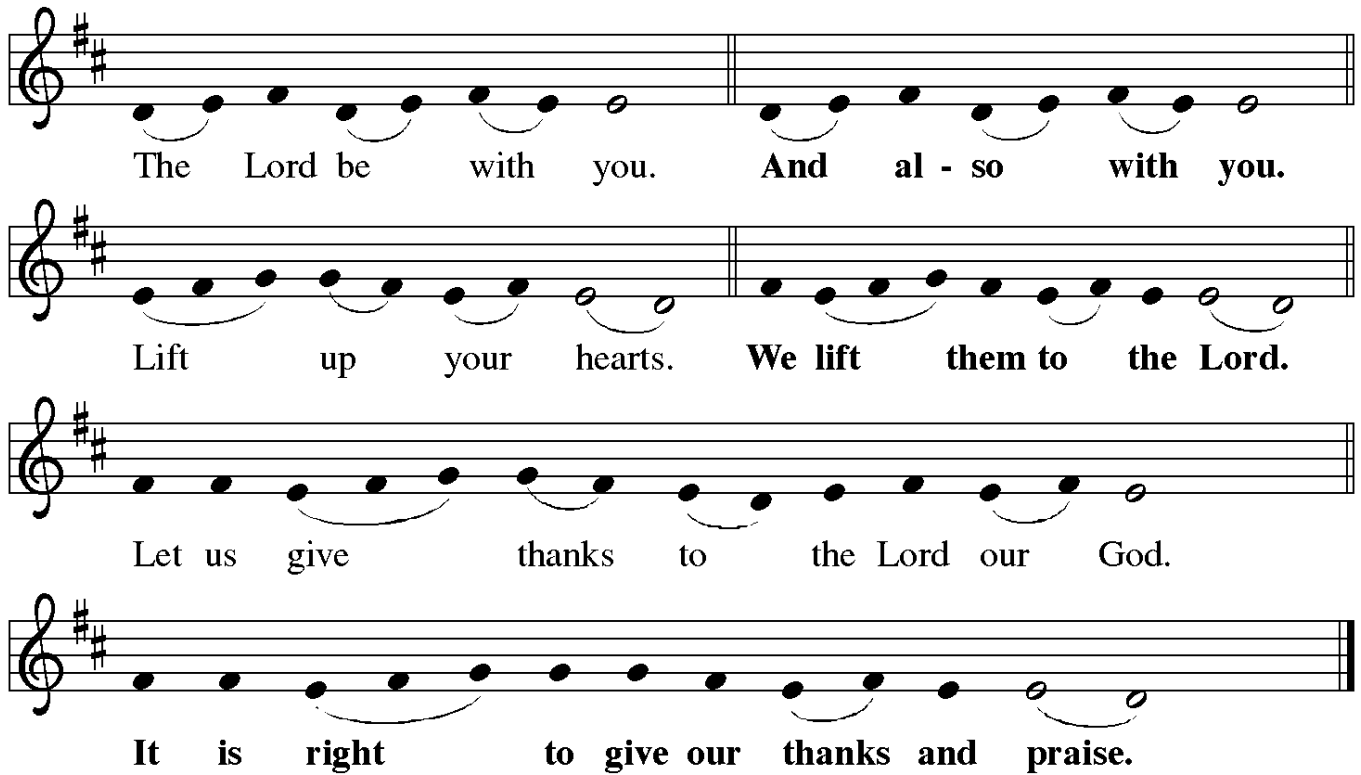
## OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray. **O Lord, giver of life and source of freedom. We know that all we have is received from your hand. Gracious and loving God, you call us to be stewards of your abundance, the caretakers of all you have entrusted to us. Help us always to use your gifts wisely and teach us to share them generously. Send the Holy Spirit to work through us, bringing your message to those we serve. May our faithful stewardship be a witness to the love of Jesus Christ in our lives. We pray with grateful hearts in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## Meal

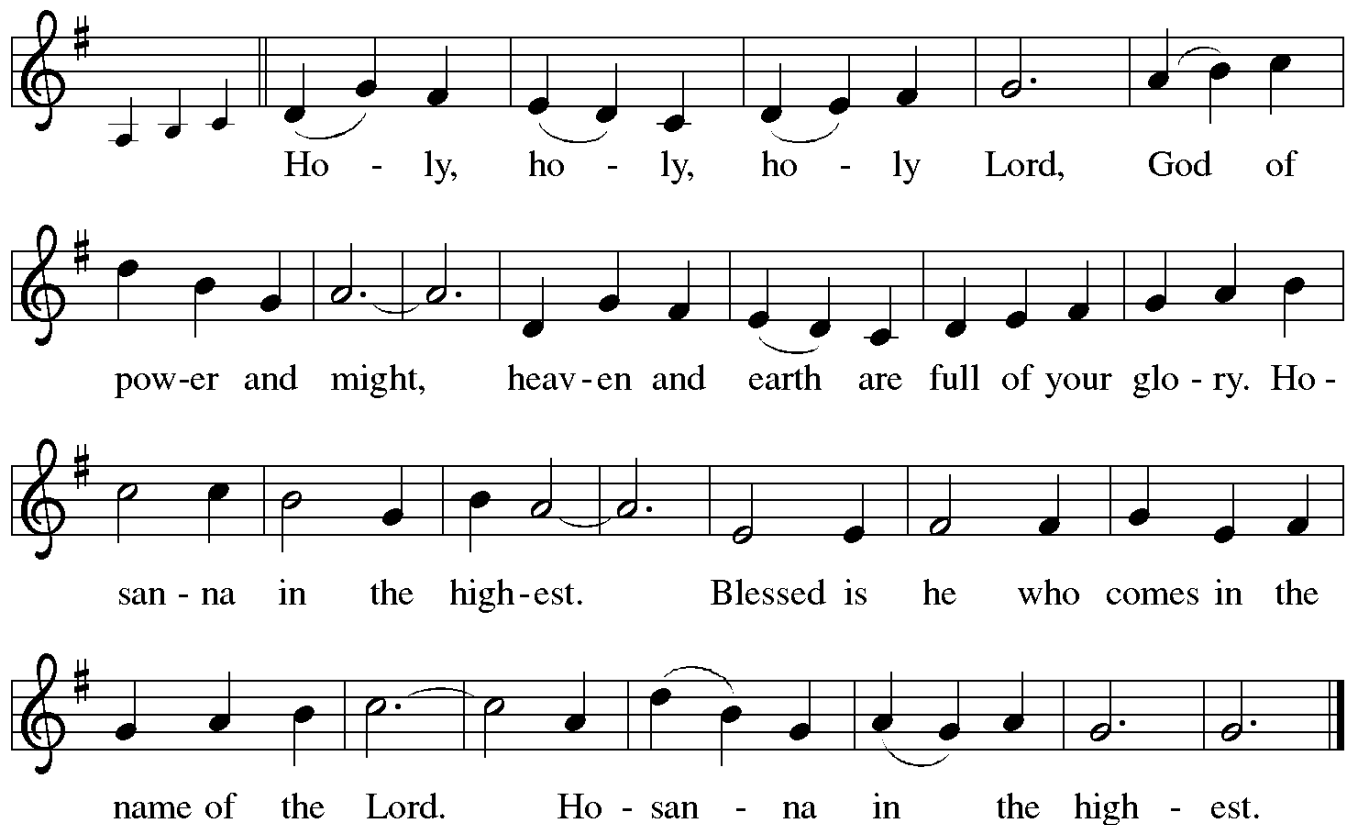
*God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.*

### GREAT THANKSGIVING



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.  
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

### PROPER PREFACE



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of  
pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the  
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

### LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

### RECEPTION OF COMMUNION

*If you wish to receive communion, please approach the pastor one at a time.*

*The pastor will place a wafer in your open hands. Please indicate if you need a gluten free wafer.*

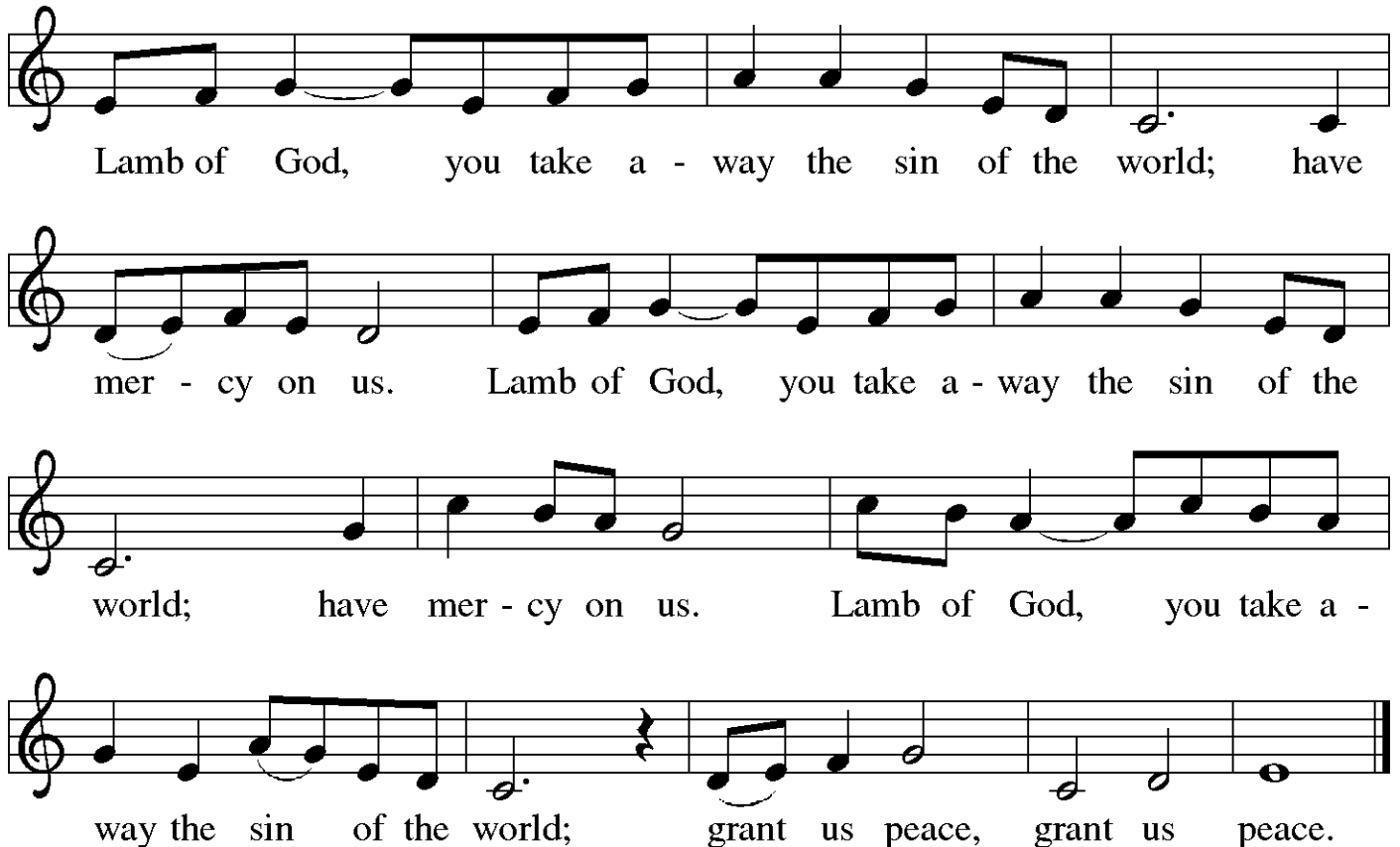
*The vicar serves the wine from the chalice—either by intinction or drinking from the common cup.*

*The assisting minister serves the wine / grape juice in pre-filled individual cups.*

*All baptized Christians are welcome at the Lord's table.*

*If you do not wish to commune, you may come forward for a blessing.*

### LAMB OF GOD



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have  
mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a -  
way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

COMMUNION HYMN ELW 733 Great Is Thy Faithfulness



1 Great is thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther; there is no  
2 Sum - mer and win - ter and spring - time and har - vest, sun, moon, and  
3 Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth, thine own dear



shad - ow of turn - ing with thee; thou chang - est not, thy com -  
stars in their cours - es a - bove join with all na - ture in  
pres - ence to cheer and to guide; strength for to - day and bright



pas - sions they fail not; as thou hast been, thou for - ev - er wilt be.  
man - i - fold wit - ness to thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.  
hope for to - mor - row, bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!

*Refrain*



Great is thy faith - ful - ness! Great is thy faith - ful - ness! Morn - ing by



morn - ing new mer - cies I see; all I have need - ed thy



hand hath pro - vid - ed; great is thy faith - ful - ness, Lord, un - to me.

Text: Thomas O. Chisholm, 1866–1960

Music: FAITHFULNESS, William M. Runyan, 1870–1957

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# COMMUNION HYMN ELW 679 For the Fruit of All Creation



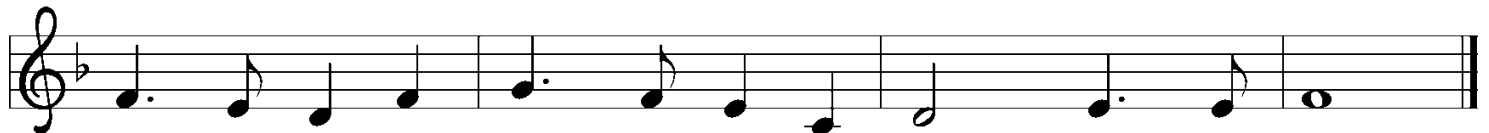
1 For the fruit of all cre - a - tion, thanks be to God.  
2 In the just re - ward of la - bor, God's will is done.  
3 For the har - vests of the Spir - it, thanks be to God.



For these gifts to ev - 'ry na - tion, thanks be to God.  
In the help we give our neigh - bor, God's will is done.  
For the good we all in - her - it, thanks be to God.



For the plow - ing, sow - ing, reap - ing, si - lent growth while we are sleep - ing,  
In our world - wide task of car - ing for the hun - gry and de - spair - ing,  
For the won - ders that as - tound us, for the truths that still con - found us,



fu - ture needs in earth's safe - keep - ing, thanks be to God.  
in the har - vests we are shar - ing, God's will is done.  
most of all, that love has found us, thanks be to God.

Text: Fred Pratt Green, 1903–2000

Music: AR HYD Y NOS, Welsh traditional

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*I have brought you the first fruits*

*Please stand.*

## **BLESSING**

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

## **POST COMMUNION CANTICLE**



Now, Lord, you let your ser-vant go in peace: your word has been ful -



filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion which you have pre-pared in the



sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: a light to re-veal you to the na - tions



and the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.



Now, Lord, you let your ser - vant go in peace.

## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Let us pray. **O God, we give you thanks that you have set before us this feast, the body and blood of your Son. By your Spirit strengthen us to serve all in need and to give ourselves away as bread for the hungry, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### **Sending**

*God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.*

## **BLESSING**

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace. **Amen.**



**SENDING HYMN** ELW 681 We Plow the Fields and Scatter



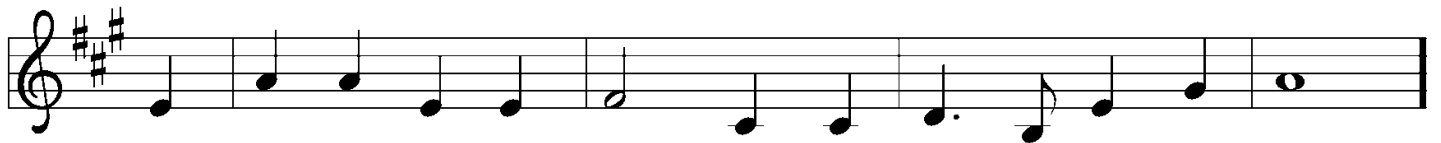
1 We plow the fields and scat - ter the good seed on the land,  
2 You on - ly are the mak - er of all things near and far.  
3 We thank you, our cre - a - tor, for all things bright and good,



but it is fed and wa - tered by God's al - might - y hand,  
You paint the way - side flow - er, you light the eve - ning star.  
the seed - time and the har - vest, our life, our health, our food.



who sends the snow in win - ter, the warmth to swell the grain,  
The winds and waves o - bey you, by you the birds are fed;  
No gifts have we to of - fer for all your love im - parts,

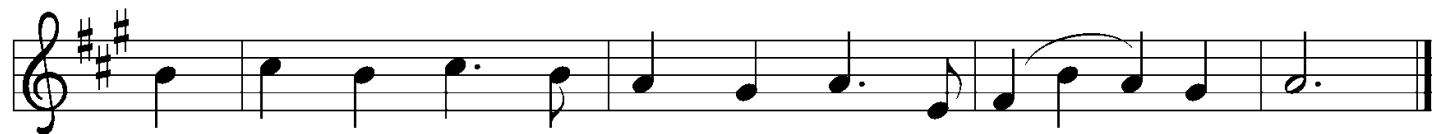


the breez - es and the sun - shine, and soft re - fresh - ing rain.  
much more to us, your chil - dren, you give our dai - ly bread.  
but what you most would trea - sure—our hum - ble, thank - ful hearts.

*Refrain*



All good gifts a - round us are sent from heav'n a - bove.



We thank you, Lord, we thank you, Lord, for all your love.

Text: Matthias Claudius, 1740–1815; tr. Jane M. Campbell, 1817–1878, alt.  
Music: WIR PFLÜGEN, Johann A. P. Schulz, 1747–1800

**DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE** Nun Danket Alle Gott

Sigfrid Karg-Elert

**October 23, 2022**

**Today's altar flowers** are given to the glory of God and in honor of their wedding anniversary by Darcy & John Tierney.

**Please give to Lutheran Disaster Response** to aid those impacted by the most recent disasters. Checks can be made out to St. John's, "LDR" in the memo line.

**Youth Group Meeting, TODAY, 7:00 PM** on Zoom. Contact Kirsten Meyer or Stephanie Rothman with questions.

**All Saints Day, November 6:** Names of loved ones or friends who have died in the past year can be submitted to the church office by **October 28**.

**High on the Hog Feast, October 28 at 7:00 PM:** Our ARC Committee invites you to an evening soul food celebration, featuring Chef Sed. This builds on our spring *High on the Hog* events, but even if you did not attend all are welcome. Sign up in the entryway.

**The Youth Group Trip** to "Jack O Lantern Experience" on **Saturday, October 29**. We will meet at the church at **6:15 PM**. Advance reservations required. Contact Kirsten Meyer or Stephanie Rothman for more information.

**Market Street Mission Coat Drive:** Please donate new and gently used coats, scarves, and gloves by leaving them in collection box in the narthex by **October 30**.

**RIC Forum, October 30 at 9:00 AM:** We are thrilled to welcome nationally-regarded speaker and LBGTQ advocate, Jamie Bruesehoff. In her role as a mother of a trans youth and a trans rights educator, as well as a life-long Lutheran in our synod, Jamie will share with us her unique insights about inclusion and justice for queer people.

**Reformation Sunday, October 30:** Join us as we commemorate the founding of the Lutheran Church, and pray for our continued renewal by the Holy Spirit. Don't forget to wear red!

**Thank you Knitters!** Bill and Linda Walker delivered 40 hats and 12 scarves to the Seamen's Institute to the Port of Elizabeth for their Christmas at Sea program, along with small toiletries, candy, and cards for distribution to seamen at Christmastime at the port and the Mississippi River. Many thanks to **Regina Neiman, Claire New, Linda Walker** and **Juli Towell** for knitting the hats and scarves. Yarn and needles have been restocked in the office with a Thrivent grant. Contact Linda Walker if you would like to learn how to knit!

**Worship Assistants Needed!** Fall brings the return of two services and the Worship Committee needs YOU to serve as Ushers, Greeters, Readers, Assisting Ministers or to be on Altar Guild. All these jobs are essential to worship. Please reach out to Bev Kaczmariski.

**Families Anonymous meetings** are held at St. Johns Thursday evenings from 7:00–9:00 PM, a peer support group for parents and others concerned about the use of alcohol and drugs in a child or loved one. If you know anyone dealing with a loved one struggling with addiction who needs support, please encourage them to join us.

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