

August 30, 2026
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Welcome to Hope Lutheran Church



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Our Mission: *To Be God's Loving Presence in a Hurting World*

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A Warm Welcome to Hope Lutheran Church

We hope that your worship experience this morning is spiritually enriching and meaningful.

- Children are always welcome at worship.
- We practice eucharistic hospitality. All are welcome to Holy Communion.
- **Are you here for the first time?** Our congregation is a member of the Metropolitan D.C. Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. If you are looking for a church home, we welcome your inquiry.
- **Restrooms** are located down the hall to the right.
- **Cellphones** create a distraction during worship. We ask that you check now to make sure it is in airplane mode.
- **Our team of ushers** are available throughout the service to assist.
- **Gluten-free hosts:** The baked bread distributed during Holy Communion is gluten-free, nut-free, **but full of Jesus!**

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Worship Plan for Sunday, August 30, 2026

14th Sunday after Pentecost
Now the Feast and Celebration

INTRODUCTION

Jesus begins to show his disciples that the way of the Messiah leads not toward power and glory as the world understands them, but toward the cross. Then he turns to those who would follow him: "Deny yourself, take up your cross, and follow me." Discipleship is costly because love itself can be costly. Yet in giving ourselves to Christ and our neighbors, we discover the life that truly is life.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Jesus says, "Follow me."

We come to walk in the way of Christ.

Jesus says, "Take up your cross."

We come seeking courage to love and serve.

Jesus says, "Those who lose their life for my sake will find it."

We trust the promise of life in Christ.

Come, disciples of Jesus, hear his call once again.

By God's grace, we will follow. Let us worship!

GATHERING

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

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

The assembly stands.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✙ one God, who forgives all our sin,
whose mercy endures forever.

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.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Gracious God,
have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of ✝ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.
Amen.

GATHERING SONG – “*For the Beauty of the Earth*” (ELW 879)

For the Beauty of the Earth



1 For the beau - ty of the earth, for the beau - ty of the skies,
 2 For the won - der of each hour of the day and of the night,
 3 For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's de - light,
 4 For the joy of hu - man love, broth - er, sis - ter, par - ent, child,
 5 For each per - fect gift of thine, peace on earth and joy in heav'n;



for the love which from our birth o - ver and a - round us lies:
 hill and vale and tree and flow'r, sun and moon and stars of light:
 for the mys - tic har - mo - ny link - ing sense to sound and sight:
 friends on earth and friends a - bove; for all gen - tle thoughts and mild:
 for thy - self, best gift di - vine, to our world so free - ly giv'n:



Christ, our God, to thee we raise this our sac - ri - fice of praise.

Text: Folliott S. Pierpoint, 1835–1917, alt.
 Music: DIX, Conrad Kocher, 1786–1872

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.**

KYRIE

ASSISTANT

CONGREGATION

In peace, in peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.

3rd time to Coda

Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer -

For the Reign of God, and for peace through-out the world
 For your peo - ple here, who have come to give you

cy.

world, praise, for the strength to live your Word, let us pray to the

Coda

Help, save, and de - fend us, O

cy.

The musical score consists of two staves in G major (one sharp). The top staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a common time signature (C). It contains three measures: the first has a half note G4 with a fermata; the second and third are whole rests. A double bar line follows, then a measure with a whole rest and a fermata. An asterisk (*) is placed above the staff at the end of this section. The bottom staff also starts with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp. It contains four measures: the first is a whole rest with a fermata; the second has a half note A4; the third has a half note B4; the fourth has a half note C5. A slur connects the notes in the second, third, and fourth measures. Below the staff, the lyrics "God.", "A -", and "men." are aligned under their respective notes or rests. At the very end of the piece, there is a boxed section labeled "* Ending for Kyrie" containing a single measure with a whole rest and a fermata.

NOW THE FEAST

Refrain

CONGREGATION

Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion,
all of cre - a - tion sings for joy
to the God of life and love and
free - dom: praise and glo - ry for ev -
er - more!

Verse 1

CONGREGATION

1. Now is the feast of the Lamb once
slain, whose blood has freed and u -
nit-ed us to be one great peo - ple of
God. *to Refrain*

Verse 2**CONGREGATION**

2. Pow - er and rich-es, wis - dom and
might, all hon - or and glo - ry to Christ
for ev - er. *to Refrain*

Verse 3**CONGREGATION**

3. For God has come to dwell with us, to
make us peo - ple of God; to make
all things new. *to Refrain*

SALUTATION**PRESIDER****CONGREGATION**

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

O God, we thank you for your Son, who chose the path of suffering for the sake of the world.
Humble us by his example, point us to the path of obedience, and give us strength to follow your
commands, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.***The assembly is seated.*****WORD**

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

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 15:15-21

A reading from Jeremiah.

¹⁵ O LORD, you know; remember me and visit me, and bring down retribution for me on my persecutors. In your forbearance do not take me away; know that on your account I suffer insult. ¹⁶ Your words were found, and I ate them, and your words became to me a joy and the delight of my heart, for I am called by your name, O LORD, God of hosts. ¹⁷ I did not sit in the company of merrymakers, nor did I rejoice; under the weight of your hand I sat alone, for you had filled me with indignation. ¹⁸ Why is my pain unceasing, my wound incurable, refusing to be healed? Truly, you are to me like a deceitful brook, like waters that fail. ¹⁹ Therefore thus says the LORD: If you turn back, I will take you back, and you shall stand before me. If you utter what is precious and not what is worthless, you shall serve as my mouth. It is they who will turn to you, not you who will turn to them. ²⁰ And I will make you to this people a fortified wall of bronze; they will fight against you, but they shall not prevail over you, for I am with you to save you and deliver you, says the LORD. ²¹ I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless. The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 26:1-8

¹ Give judgment for me, O LORD, for I have lived with integrity; I have trusted in the LORD and have not faltered.
² **Test me, O LORD, and try me; examine my heart and my mind.**
³ For your steadfast love is before my eyes; I have walked faithfully with you.
⁴ **I have not sat with the worthless, nor do I consort with the deceitful.**
⁵ I have hated the company of evildoers; I will not sit down with the wicked.
⁶ **I will wash my hands in innocence, O LORD, that I may go in procession round your altar,**
⁷ singing aloud a song of thanksgiving and recounting all your wonderful deeds.
⁸ **LORD, I love the house in which you dwell and the place where your glory abides.**

SECOND READING: Romans 12:9-21

A reading from Romans.

⁹ Let love be genuine; hate what is evil; hold fast to what is good; ¹⁰ love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. ¹¹ Do not lag in zeal; be ardent in spirit; serve the Lord. ¹² Rejoice in hope; be patient in affliction; persevere in prayer. ¹³ Contribute to the needs of the saints; pursue hospitality to strangers. ¹⁴ Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. ¹⁵ Rejoice with those who rejoice; weep with those who weep. ¹⁶ Live in harmony with one another; do not be arrogant, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. ¹⁷ Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. ¹⁸ If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. ¹⁹ Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God, for it is written, "Vengeance is mine; I will repay, says the Lord." ²⁰ Instead, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink, for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." ²¹ Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

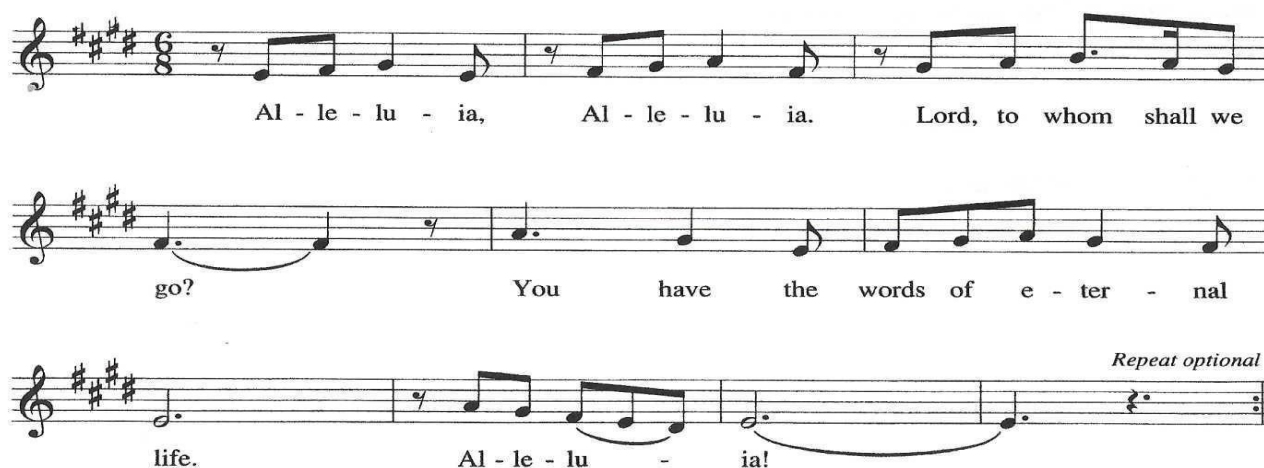
Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The assembly stands to welcome the gospel.

CONGREGATION



GOSPEL: Matthew 16:21-28

The holy gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

²¹ From that time on, [after Peter confessed that Jesus was the Messiah,] Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes and be killed and on the third day be raised. ²² And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you." ²³ But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a hindrance to me, for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things." ²⁴ Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any wish to come after me, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ²⁵ For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. ²⁶ For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life? ²⁷ "For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. ²⁸ Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom." The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

The assembly is seated.

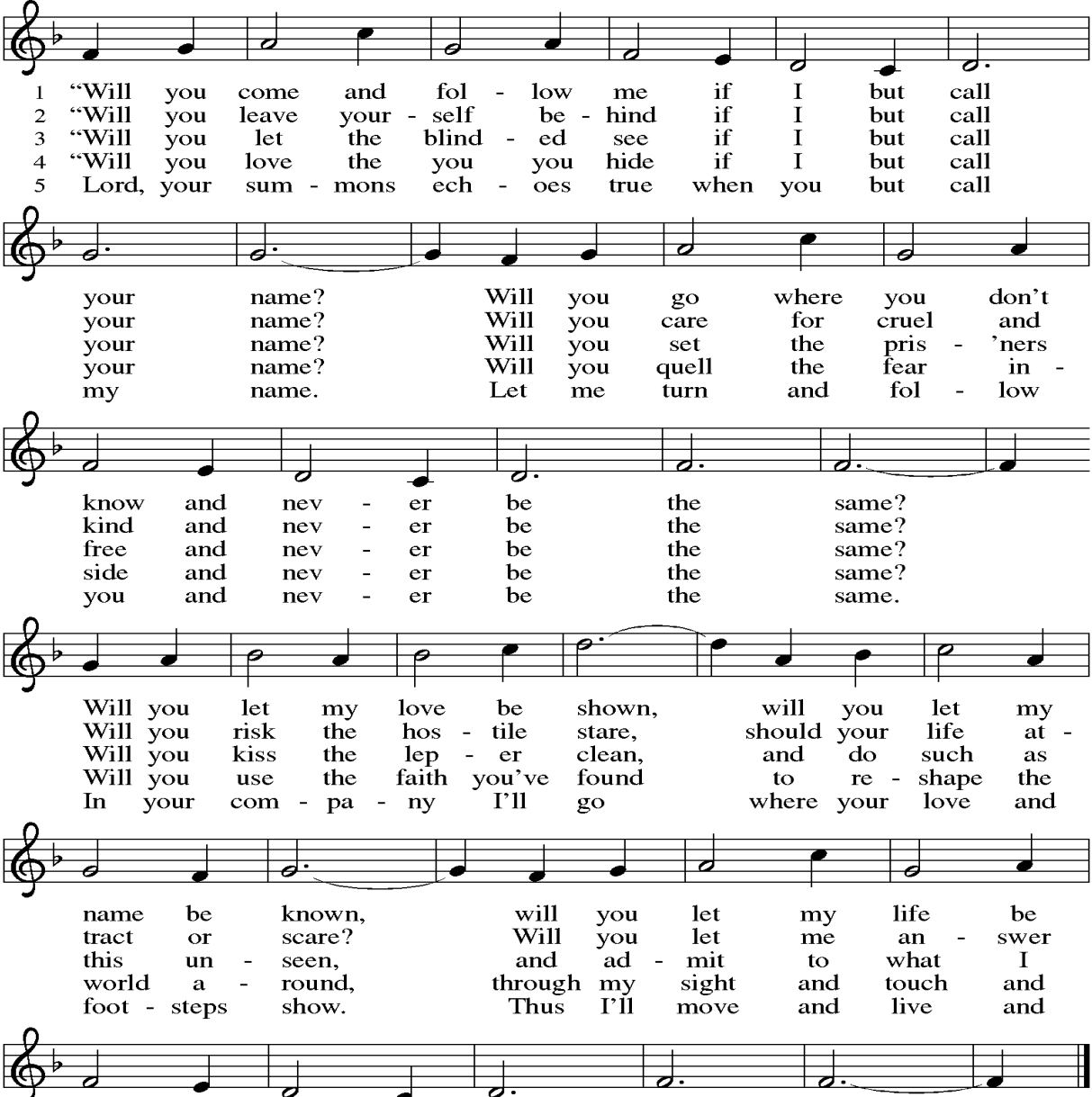
SERMON

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

HYMN OF THE DAY – “Will You Come and Follow Me: The Summons” (ELW 798)

The assembly stands to proclaim the word of God in song.

Will You Come and Follow Me The Summons



1 “Will you come and fol - low me if I but call
 2 “Will you leave your - self be - hind if I but call
 3 “Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call
 4 “Will you love the you you hide if I but call
 5 Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call

your name? Will you go where you don't
 your name? Will you care for cruel and
 your name? Will you set the pris - 'ners
 your name? Will you quell the fear in -
 my name. Let me turn and fol - low

know and nev - er be the same?
 kind and nev - er be the same?
 free and nev - er be the same?
 side and nev - er be the same?
 you and nev - er be the same.

Will you let my love be shown, will you let my
 Will you risk the hos - tile stare, should your life at -
 Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as
 Will you use the faith you've found to re - shape the
 In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and

name be known, will you let my life be
 tract or scare? Will you let me an - swer
 this un - seen, and ad - mit to what I
 world a - round, through my sight and touch and
 foot - steps show. Thus I'll move and live and

grown in you and you in me?"
 pray'r in you and you in me?"
 mean in you and you in me?"
 sound in you and you in me?"
 grow in you and you in me.

Text: John L. Bell, b. 1949

Music: KELVINGROVE, Scottish traditional

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APOSTLES' CREED (Assistant Minister)

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

With bold trust in God's unfailing provision, we pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

A brief silence.

For the church in every land, that its mission and ministry is anchored in the love of Christ. When threats or challenges arise, teach us to take up our cross and follow you in faith.

Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

For the well-being of your creation, that all that lives and grows on the earth may thrive. Bring relief to areas ravaged by droughts, floods, fires, storms, and other disasters.

Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

For the nations and all in authority, that they seek to live in peace with one another. Bless the work of international and diplomatic organizations and all who work to bring peace to a world scarred by violence. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

For all those in need, that they be satisfied. Ensure all your children have safe access to food, water, shelter, and medical care. Bring healing to all who bear wounds in body, mind, and spirit. Hear our prayers for all in need this day. We especially pray for John, Nancy, Clara, David, Pastor Nikki, Linda, Joe, Bob, Ben, Paul, Pastor Anna, Ron, Annie, Sheila, Jane, Tanya, Joe, Elna, Shuey, and all those we name aloud or in the silence of our hearts.....

Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

For the congregation gathered here to serve you, that they remain strong in faith and united in purpose. Guide our committees, study groups, and other meetings toward honesty and humility, always seeking genuine love.

Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

We pray for all our service people and chaplains in all places of conflict. We especially pray for Sgt Kenneth and Sgt Diego serving our country. We pray for all for a safe return to their families.

Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

For the faithful departed, that their witness continues to strengthen and guide the church. Renew our hope in your promises in this life and the life to come.

Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Receive our prayers and answer, O God, as you have promised. All this we ask in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

The assembly is seated.

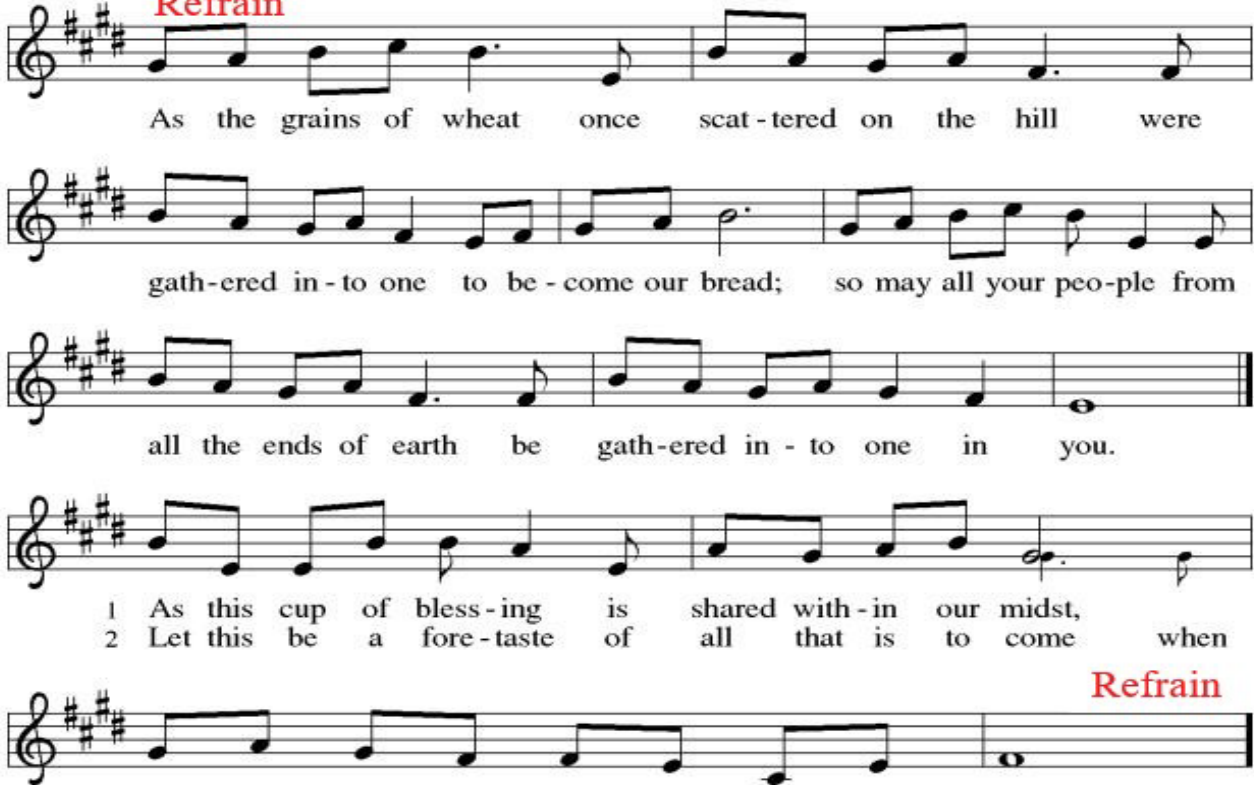
MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERING SONG – “As the Grains of Wheat” (ELW 465)

As the Grains of Wheat

Refrain



As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were
gath-ered in - to one to be - come our bread; so may all your peo-ple from
all the ends of earth be gath-ered in - to one in you.

1 As this cup of bless-ing is shared with - in our midst,
2 Let this be a fore - taste of all that is to come when

Refrain

may we share the pres - ence of your love.
all cre - a - tion shares this feast with you.

Text: Didache, 2nd cent.; Marty Haugen, b. 1950

Music: AS THE GRAINS, Marty Haugen

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OFFERING PRAYER (Assistant Minister)

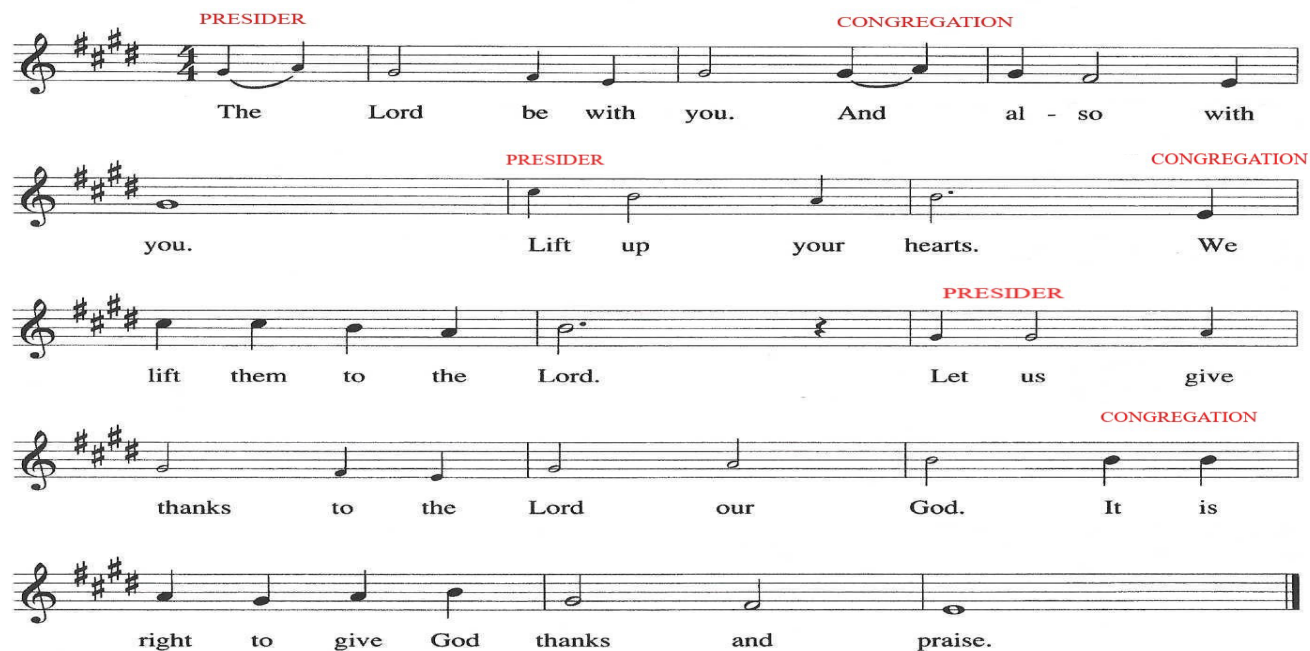
Let us pray.

Merciful God, as grains of wheat scattered upon the hills were gathered together to become one bread, so let your church be gathered together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, for yours is the glory through Jesus Christ, now and forever.

Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

DIALOGUE



The musical score for the Dialogue is written in treble clef with a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#) and a 4/4 time signature. It consists of five staves. The first staff is for the PRESIDER, with lyrics "The Lord be with you." and "And al - so with". The second staff is for the CONGREGATION, with lyrics "you." and "Lift up your hearts. We". The third staff is for the PRESIDER, with lyrics "lift them to the Lord." and "Let us give". The fourth staff is for the CONGREGATION, with lyrics "thanks to the Lord our God. It is". The fifth staff is for the CONGREGATION, with lyrics "right to give God thanks and praise.".

PRESIDER

The Lord be with you. And al - so with

CONGREGATION

you. Lift up your hearts. We

PRESIDER

lift them to the Lord. Let us give

CONGREGATION

thanks to the Lord our God. It is

right to give God thanks and praise.

PREFACE

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; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. 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



The musical score for "Holy, Holy, Holy" is written in treble clef with a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#). It consists of five staves. The first staff is for the CONGREGATION, with lyrics "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and". The second staff is for the CONGREGATION, with lyrics "might; Heav - en and earth are filled with your". The third staff is for the CONGREGATION, with lyrics "glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est! Bless - ed is the". The fourth staff is for the CONGREGATION, with lyrics "One who comes in your name. Ho - san - na in the". The fifth staff is for the CONGREGATION, with lyrics "high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est!".

CONGREGATION

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and

might; Heav - en and earth are filled with your

glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est! Bless - ed is the

One who comes in your name. Ho - san - na in the

high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est!

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God. You are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory.

You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but have eternal life.

We give you thanks for his coming into the world to fulfill for us your holy will and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

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.

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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

EUCHARISTIC ACCLAMATION 1 (for use with other Eucharistic prayers)

PRESIDER

Christ has died. Christ is ris - en. Christ will

Congregation:

come, come a - gain. Christ has died. Christ is

ris - en. Christ will come, come a - gain.

Remembering, therefore, his salutary command, his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension, and the promise of his coming again, we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty, not as we ought but as we are able; we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants, and these your own gifts of bread and wine, so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace, and, receiving the forgiveness of sin, may be formed to live as your holy people and be given our inheritance with all your saints.

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

THROUGH CHRIST, WITH CHRIST, IN CHRIST

Congregation:

The musical score is written on four staves in treble clef with a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#) and a 6/8 time signature. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The lyrics are: 'Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the u - ni - ty of the Spir - it, all glo - ry and hon - or is yours, O God, now and for ev - er. A - men.' The final note of the melody is a whole note on the G# line, followed by a double bar line.

Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the
u - ni - ty of the Spir - it, all glo - ry and hon - or is
yours, O God, now and for ev - er.
A - men.

LORD'S PRAYER

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

Our Father, who art in heaven,

hallowed be thy name,

thy kingdom come,

thy will be done,

on earth as it is in heaven.

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.

For thine is the kingdom,

and the power, and the glory,

forever and ever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come to the banquet, for all is now ready.

The assembly may be seated.

COMMUNION SONG - "Lamb of God"

LAMB OF GOD

CONGREGATION



Lamb of God,

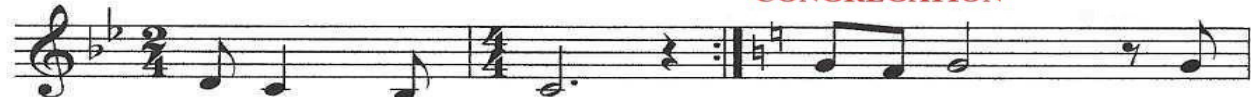
CONGREGATION

1 you take a - way the sin of the
2 you break the chains of ha - tred and
3 you are the way of jus - tice and
4 you are the way of mer - cy and



world: have mer - cy on us, mer - cy on us,
fear:
peace:
love.

Final Stanza
CONGREGATION



mer - cy on us. 5 Lamb of God, you

CONGREGATION



take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace,



grant us peace, grant us peace.

COMMUNION

The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.

Amen.

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

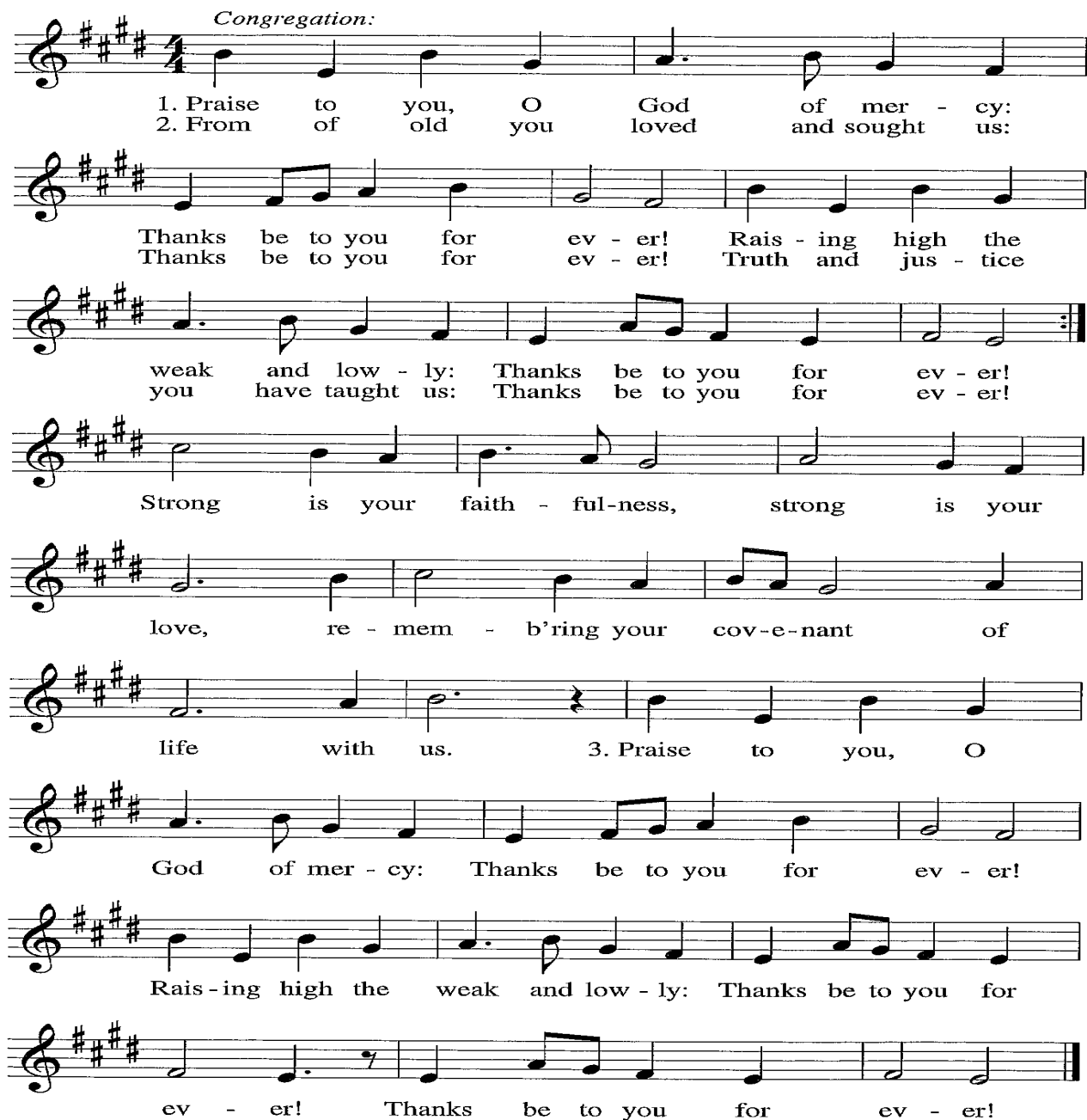
May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the gifts of his body and blood strengthen, keep and unite us, now and forever.

Amen.

POST COMMUNION SONG - "Thanks Be to You"

THANKS BE TO YOU

Congregation:



1. Praise to you, O God of mer - cy:
2. From of old you loved and sought us:
Thanks be to you for ev - er! Rais - ing high the
Thanks be to you for ev - er! Truth and jus - tice
weak and low - ly: Thanks be to you for ev - er!
you have taught us: Thanks be to you for ev - er!
Strong is your faith - ful-ness, strong is your
love, re - mem - b'ring your cov-e-nant of
life with us. 3. Praise to you, O
God of mer - cy: Thanks be to you for ev - er!
Rais - ing high the weak and low - ly: Thanks be to you for
ev - er! Thanks be to you for ev - er!

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (Assistant Minister)

Let us pray.

We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

SENDING

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

BIRTHDAYS/WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES/BAPTISM ANNIVERSARY

None this week

BLESSING

May the God of all the nations bring a song of peace to your lips to share with a weary world and neighbors near and far. May the love of Christ flow forth from your hands to be vessels of healing where the wounds run so deep. And may the fellowship of the Spirit guide the direction of your feet and remind you that you are not alone. Go in peace, neighbors.

Amen.

SENDING SONG – “Blest Be the Tie That Binds” (ELW 656)

Blest Be the Tie That Binds



1 Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Chris-tian love;
2 Be - fore our Fa - ther's throne we pour our ar - dent prayers;
3 We share our mu - tual woes, our mu - tual bur - dens bear,
4 From sor - row, toil, and pain, and sin we shall be free;



the u - ni - ty of heart and mind is like to that a - bove.
our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, our com - forts and our cares.
and of - ten for each oth - er flows the sym - pa - thiz - ing tear.
and per - fect love and friend - ship reign through all e - ter - ni - ty.

Text: John Fawcett, 1740–1817, alt.

Music: DENNIS, Johann G. Nägeli, 1773–1836, adapt.

SENDING (Assistant Minister)

Go in peace. Share the good news.

Thanks be to God.

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CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Spaghetti Dinner Fellowship – Saturday, September 12th, 4:00-6:00pm, Christ Episcopal Church, 8710 Old Branch Avenue, Clinton, MD. The cost: Adults: \$12-Seniors and Children 6-12: \$10. For more information: (301) 868-1330 or ChristChurchClinton.org.

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Neighborhood Walking Group –Ready for some fun and fitness? Join the community walking group. The group meets every Tuesdays at 8:15am in Hope's parking lot. The See Kristine Easley for additional information.

God's Work, Our Hands Sunday - On Sunday, September 13th we will have the dedication of the Blessing Box. Worship will begin outside at the Blessing Box and then we will proceed into the church.

Drag Bingo! – Join us for an afternoon of fun and fellowship. Saturday, September 26th, 3:00 – 6:00pm, at Hope Lutheran Church. Doors will open at 2:30pm. The cost for the event is \$20.00. Proceeds will benefit Hope's Outreach Ministry. Make sure to invite your family, friends and neighbors! All are welcome!

Calling all

Temple Servers - Opportunities are available to serve on Sundays. Sign up in the Narthex.

Free Musical Performances Streamed Live - View schedule watch Live performances at (<https://LSMacademy.org/calendar>).

Email Scam Alert - Someone is impersonating Bishop Hirsch using a different gmail address. Synod staff will never send a request for money, gift cards, passwords, personal information, or other unusual requests. A common scam message is a vague request such as, "Are you available to discuss a favor I could use your help with?" Bishop Hirsch's legitimate synod email is phirsch@metrodcclca.org.

For financial donations to Hope Lutheran Church you are welcome to use our QR code.

