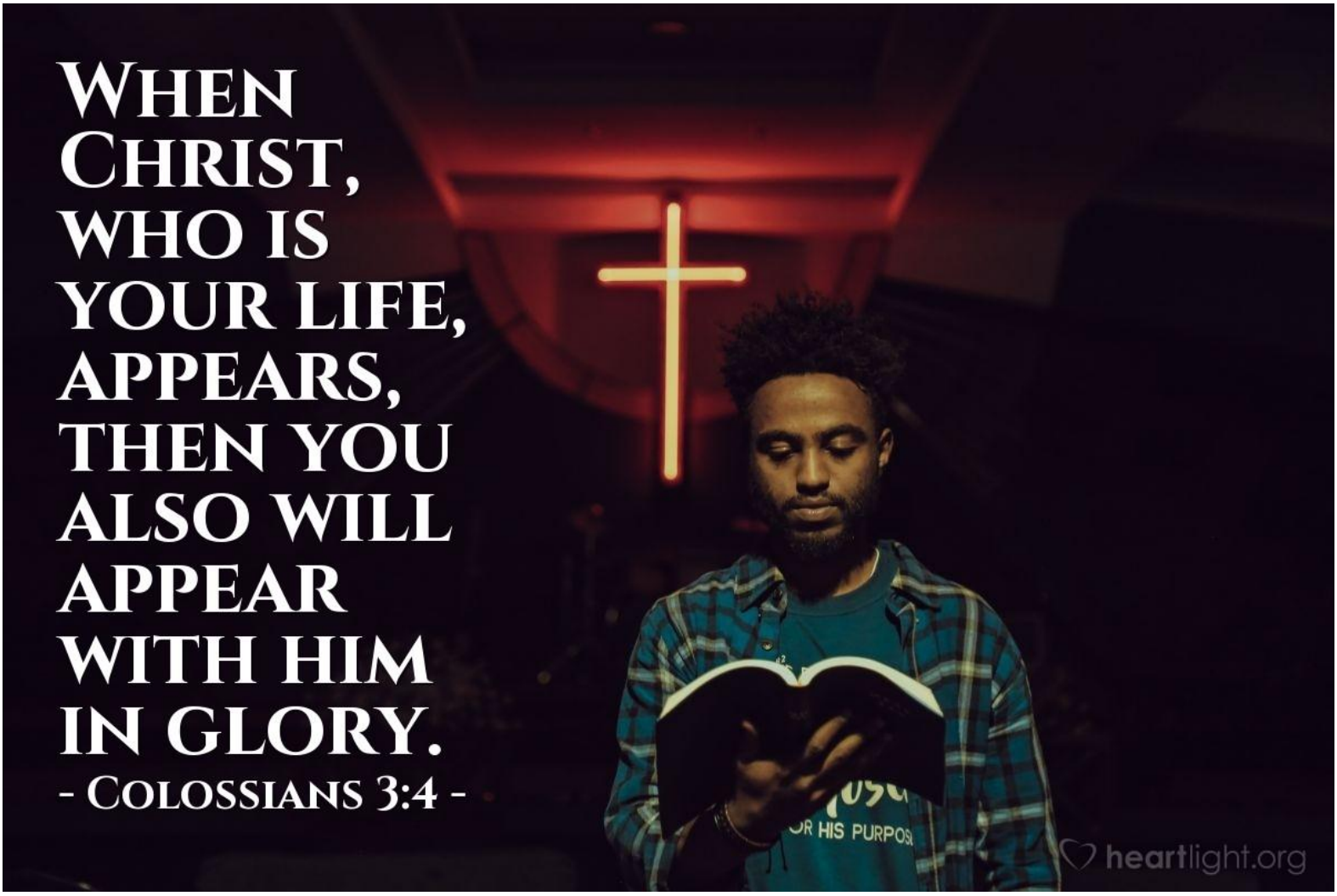
ZION
Lutheran Church



Eighth Sunday After Pentecost
August 3, 2025
9:00 a.m.

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Music Minister – Jen Rosin
Holy Communion, ELW Setting 10

Welcome to worship here at Zion on this Seventh Sunday after Pentecost – we are glad you have joined us for worship! Persistence in prayer is encouraged by Jesus and wins the attention of God when Abraham intercedes for Sodom. The life of the baptized—to be rooted and built up in Christ Jesus—is to be nurtured with prayer. God hears and answers prayer and so strengthens God's own. "When I called, you answered me; you increased my strength within me."

WORSHIP NOTES:

Thank you for joining us! If you are visiting us today, please fill out a Visitor Card, located in your pew rack, if you would like to have us contact you.

We practice an open communion table at Zion. All who believe in Christ as Lord and Savior are welcome to celebrate Holy Communion with us, from the youngest to the oldest members of the body of Christ present in worship.

Children are welcome to fully participate in worship. What could be better than the whole family of God being together in worship? There are Children's worship bags available near the usher's table in the narthex. Should you or your child need a break, there is a nursery located across from Fellowship Hall for your use.

Nursing mothers are welcome to use the Mothers' Room, just two doors down the hall from the nursery. Please knock before entering.

+ Indicates that you are invited to rise as you are able

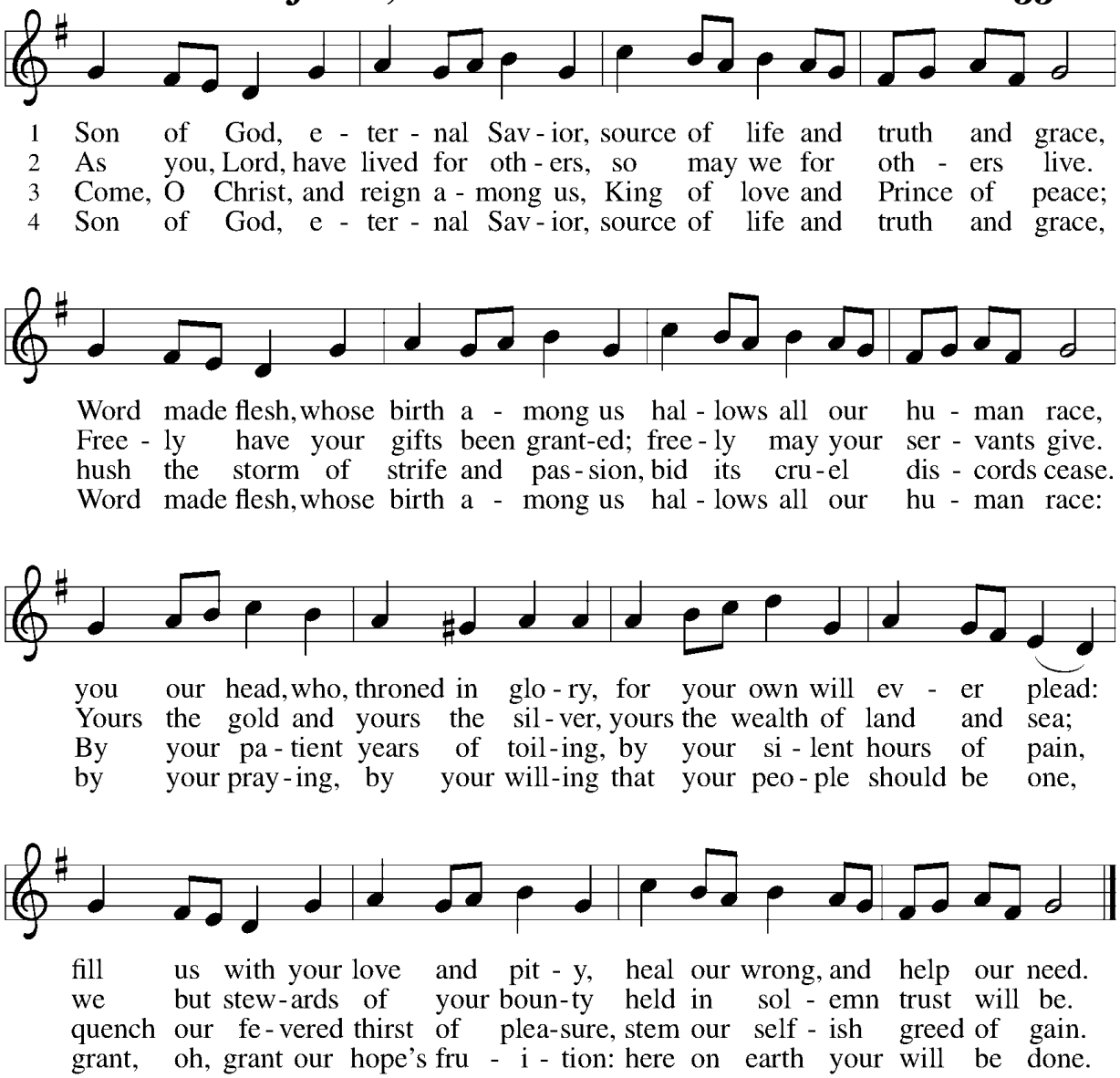
BOLD PRINT INDICATES CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSES
Hymn numbers are the large numbers at the top of the page in the red hymnal, *Evangelical Lutheran Worship*, which is located in the pew racks.
Thank you for silencing all electronic devices.

PRELUDE **Jennifer Rosin**
ANNOUNCEMENTS
RINGING OF THE BELL

‡ GATHERING ‡

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God

+ OPENING HYMN *Son of God, Eternal Savior* ELW 655



Text: Somerset C. Lowry, 1855–1932
Music: IN BABILONE, *Oude en Nieuwe Hollantse Boerenlities en Contradansen*, 1710

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

+ CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

In the name of the Father,
and of the ☩ Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen

Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful God,

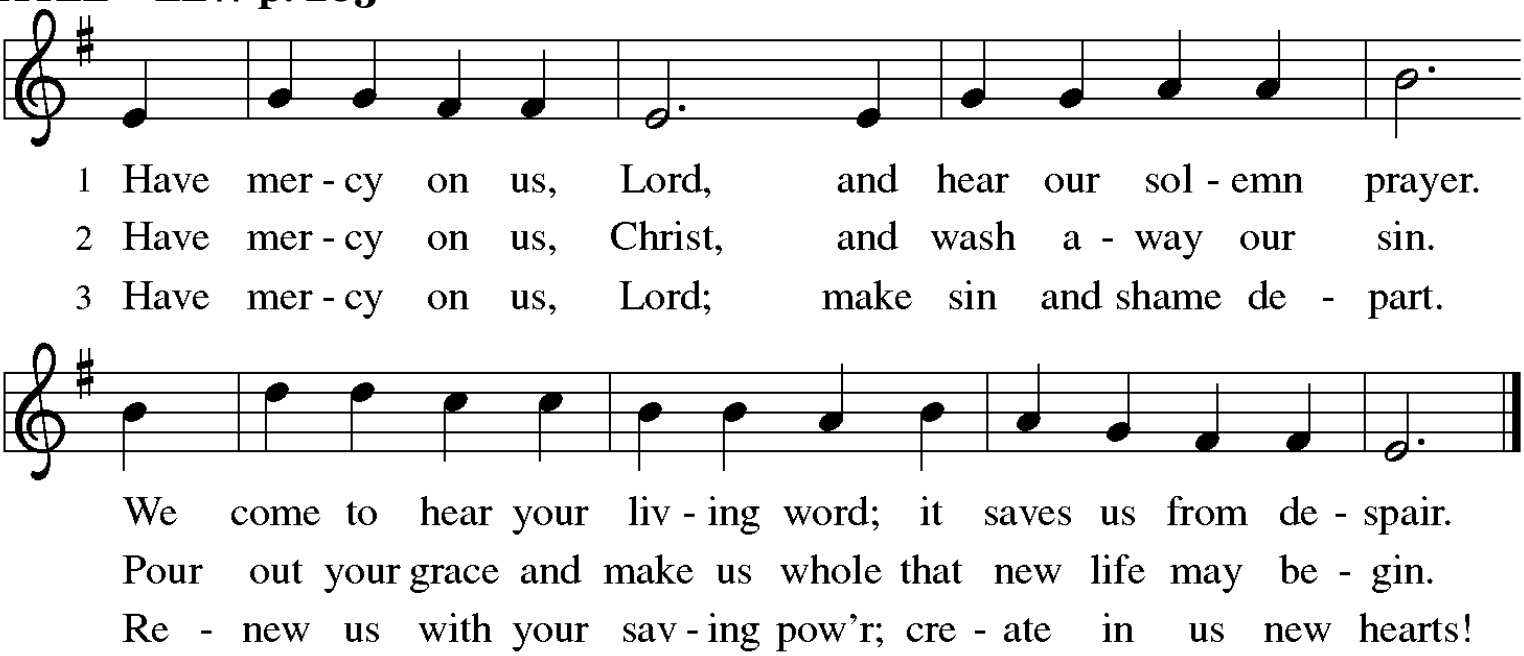
you free us to love others,
but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way.
You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace,
but we turn away from the abundant life you offer.
You surround us with patience, kindness,
and generosity,
but we grow weary in doing what is right.
In your mercy, forgive us.
Do not give up on us.
Heal us, break our bonds,
and show us the path of life.
Amen

You belong to Christ Jesus
and you are God's children through faith.
In the cross of ✝ Christ,
and through the power of the Holy Spirit,
your sins are forgiven.
Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation.
Amen

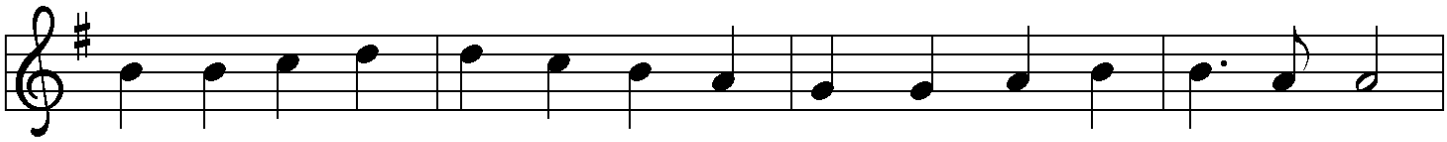
GREETING

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.

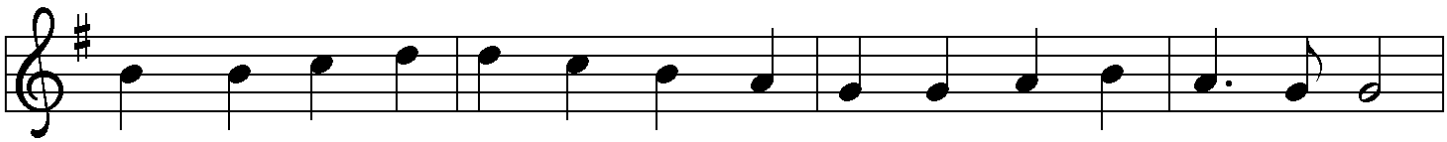
KYRIE – ELW p. 203



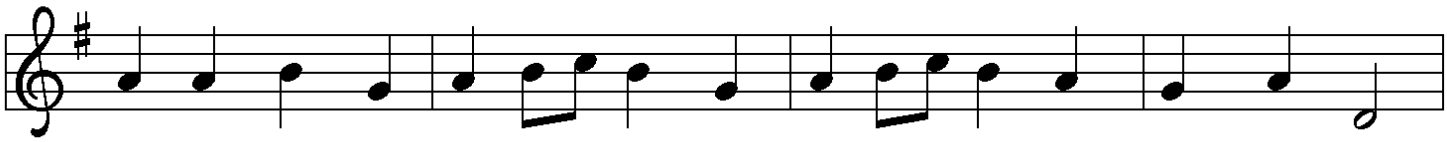
CANTICLE OF PRAISE ***Glory to God*** **ELW p. 204**



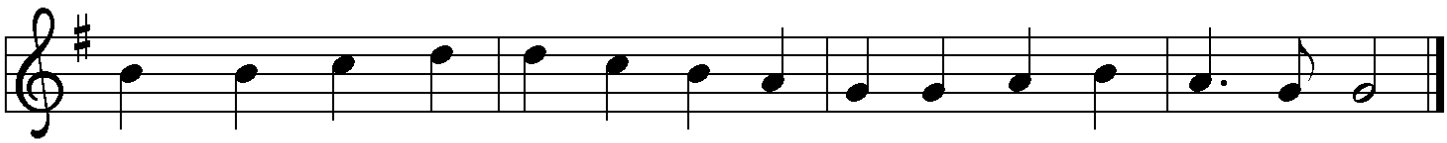
1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
2 Glo-ry be to Christ for-ev-er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
3 Ho-ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a-lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre-a-tion, Fa-ther of sur-pass-ing worth:
Son of God and gra-cious Sav-ior, you have come from heav'n a-bove;
Ho-ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex-alt you, we a-dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
Je-sus Christ, with God the Spir-it, in the Fa-ther's splen-dor bright.



Saints and an-gels bow be-fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.
Hear our prayer; re-store, for-give us; in your prom-ise firm we stand.
For the peace that we in-her-it, glo-ry be to God on high!

+ PRAYER OF THE DAY

Benevolent God,
you are the source, the guide, and the goal of our lives. Teach us to love what is worth loving, to reject what is offensive to you, and to treasure what is precious in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen

MUSICAL OFFERINGS

Beautiful Savior - arr. Christiansen & Wycisk
Ye Servants of God - arr. G. Winston Cassler
Soon-Ah Will Be Done - William Dawson
Muscatine Men's Choir

‡ WORD ‡

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

FIRST READING Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23

2 Vanity of vanities, says the Teacher, vanity of vanities! All is vanity.

12 I, the Teacher, was king over Israel in Jerusalem. 13 I applied my mind to seek and to search out by wisdom all that is done under heaven; it is an unhappy business that God has given to humans to be busy with. 14 I saw all the deeds that are done under the sun, and see, all is vanity and a chasing after wind.

2:18 I hated all my toil in which I had toiled under the sun, seeing that I must leave it to my successor, 19 and who knows whether he will be wise or foolish? Yet he will be master of all for which I toiled and used my wisdom under the sun. This also is vanity. 20 So I turned and gave my heart up to despair concerning all the toil of my labors under the sun, 21 because sometimes one who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must leave all to be enjoyed by another who did not toil for it. This also is vanity and a great evil. 22 What do mortals get from all the toil and strain with which they toil under the sun? 23 For all their days are full of pain, and their work is a vexation; even at night their minds do not rest. This also is vanity.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 49:1-12

1 Hear this, all you peoples; give ear, all you who dwell in the world,
2 **you of high degree and low, rich and poor together.**
3 My mouth shall | speak of wisdom, and my heart shall meditate on understanding.
4 **I will incline my ear to a proverb and set forth my riddle up-on the harp.**
5 Why should I be afraid in evil days, when the wickedness of those at my heels surrounds me,6 **the wickedness of those who put their trust in their own prowess, and boast of their great riches?**
7 One can never redeem another, or give to God the ransom for another's life;
8 **for the ransom of a life is so great that there would never be enough to pay it,**
9 in order to live forever and ever and never see the grave.
10 **For we see that the wise die also; like the dull and stupid they perish and leave their wealth to those who come after them.**
11 Their graves shall be their homes forever, their dwelling places from generation to generation, though they had named lands after themselves.
12 **Even though honored, they cannot live forever; they are like the beasts that perish.**

SECOND READING Colossians 3;1-11

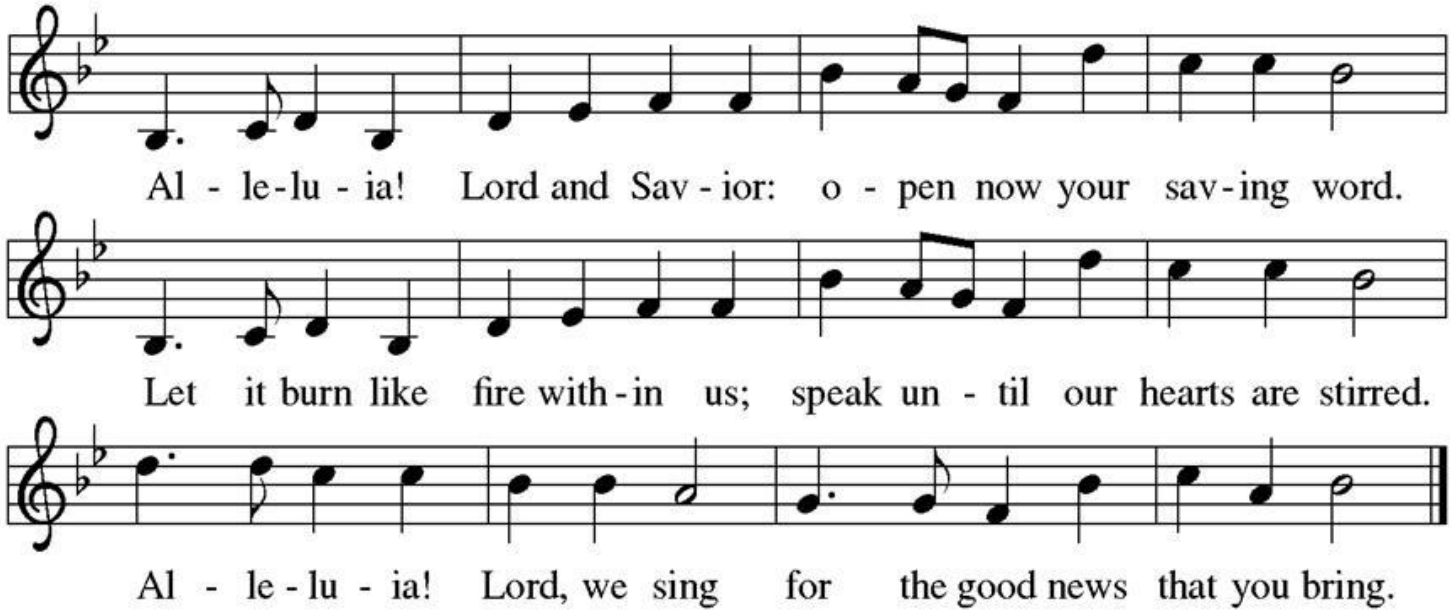
1 So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. 2 Set your minds on the things that are above, not on the things that are on earth, 3 for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. 4 When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

5 Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). 6 On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. 7 These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. 8 But now you must get rid of all such things: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. 9 Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped

off the old self with its practices 10 and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. 11 In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, enslaved and free, but Christ is all and in all!
The Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

CHILDREN'S SERMON

+ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION ELW p. 205

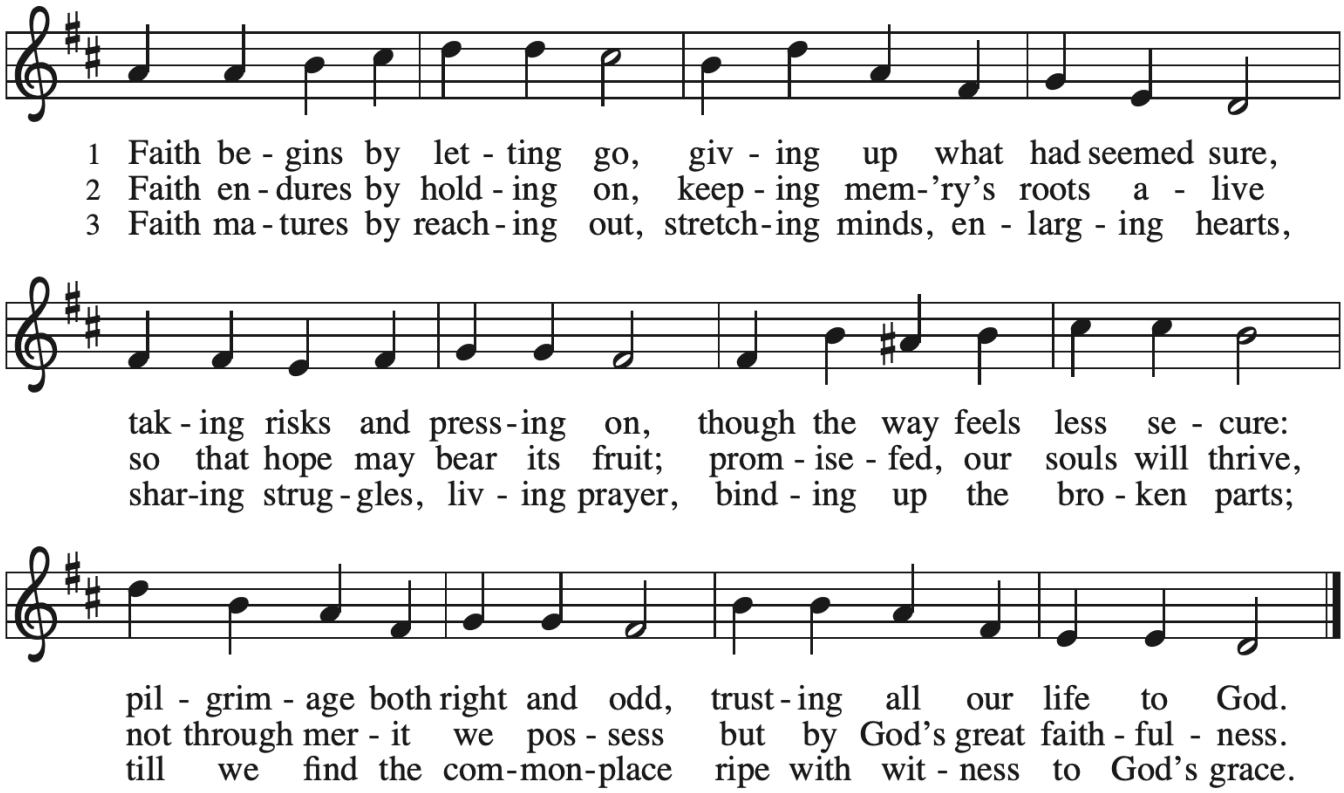


+ GOSPEL READING Luke 12:13-21

13 Someone in the crowd said to [Jesus,] "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family
inheritance with me." 14 But he said to him, "Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over
you?" 15 And he said to them, "Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed, for one's
life does not consist in the abundance of possessions." 16 Then he told them a parable: "The
land of a rich man produced abundantly. 17 And he thought to himself, 'What should I do, for I
have no place to store my crops?' 18 Then he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and
build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. 19 And I will say to my soul,
Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.' 20 But God said
to him, 'You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have
prepared, whose will they be?' 21 So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but
are not rich toward God."
This is the gospel of our Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

+ HYMN OF THE DAY ***Faith Begins By Letting God*** **ACS 1004**



Text: Carl P. Daw Jr., b. 1944
Music: RATISBON, J. G. Werner, *Choralbuch*, 1815
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+ APOSTLES' CREED

With the whole church, let us confess our faith using the words of the Apostles' Creed.

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
In solidarity with all creation, we join our voice to the voice of the whole church and pray for the needs of the world, responding with **"hear our prayer".**

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer

Trusting in your lovingkindness, we place our prayer and hope in you, in the name of Jesus Christ. **Amen**

SHARING THE PEACE
The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you
Please share a sign of peace with one another at this time.

‡ MEAL ‡
God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ
Thank you for supporting God's ministry and mission through the people of Zion Lutheran Church. Your contributions are greatly appreciated.
We have online giving options available through Tithe.ly which allows you to give through the app, online, and even make weekly, biweekly, or monthly donations on a regular schedule. To give right now, please scan the QR code to make a contribution.
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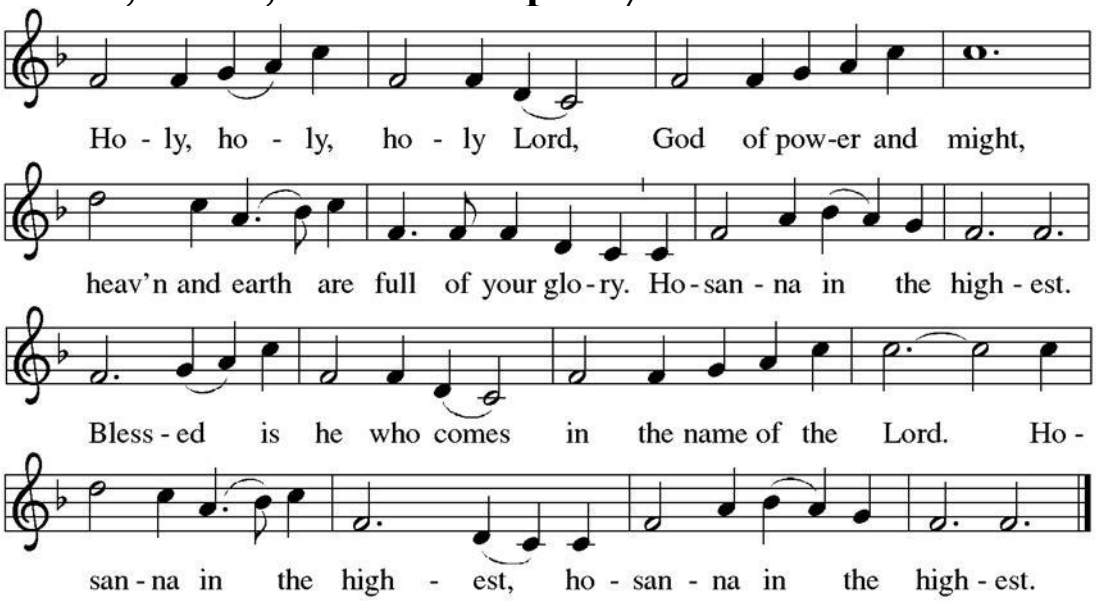
MUSICAL OFFERING *Oceans*
Matthew Richardson (playing guitar) & Lizzy Holden

+ OFFERING PRAYER
Creator God,
in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good
and the harvest is plentiful.
Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth
and our labor,
that we may work for the good of all;
through Jesus Christ, our Savior.
Amen

+ THE GREAT THANKSGIVING ELW p. 206
The Lord be with you.
And also 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 thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE
It is right, our duty, and our joy……and join their unending hymn.

+ HOLY, HOLY, HOLY ELW p. 207



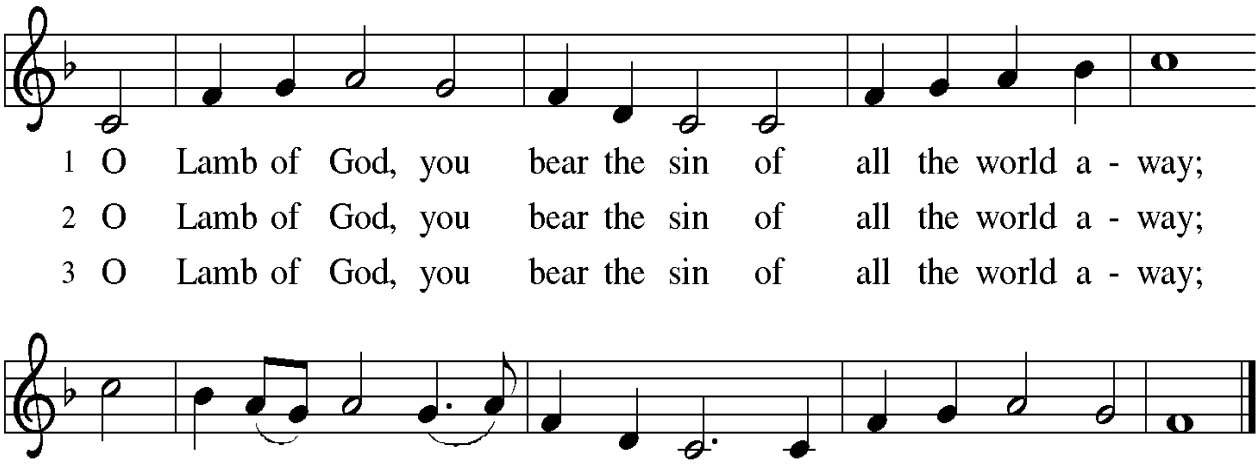
+ THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION *On the Night*

+ THE LORD'S PRAYER
Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us, using the language or version of your heart:
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
The kingdom of God is set before you. Eat and rejoice.

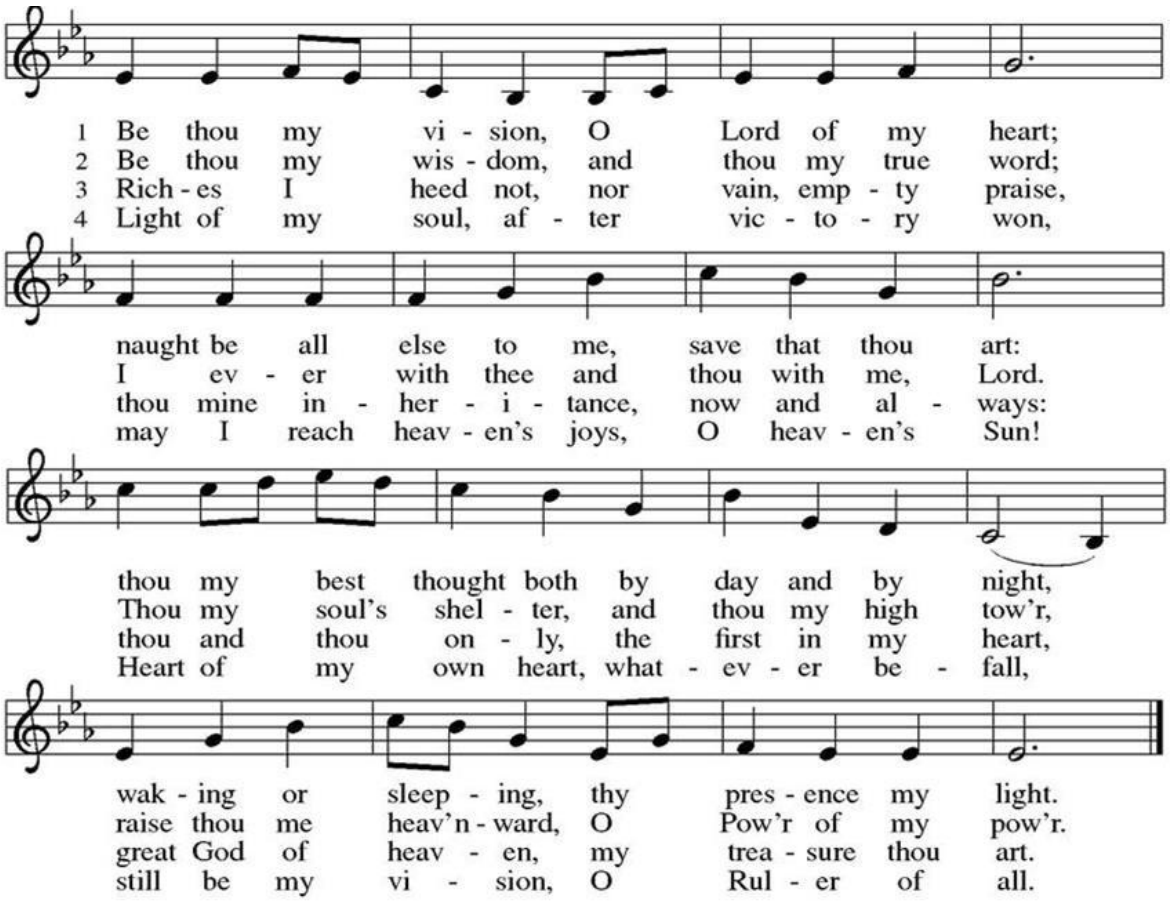
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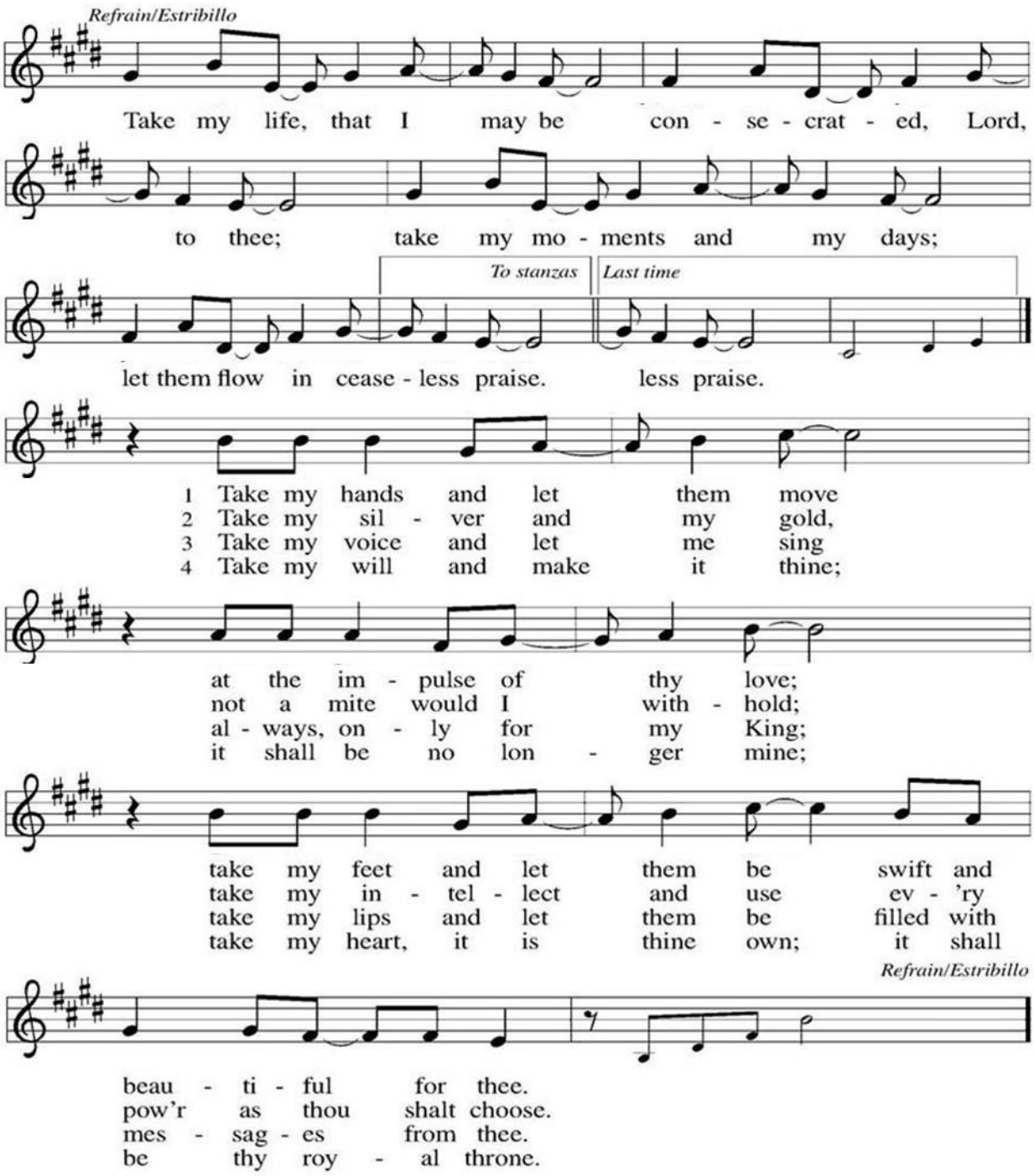


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ELW 583 ***Take My Life That I May Be***
ELW 661 ***I Love to Tell the Story***

Be Thou My Vision **ELW 793**

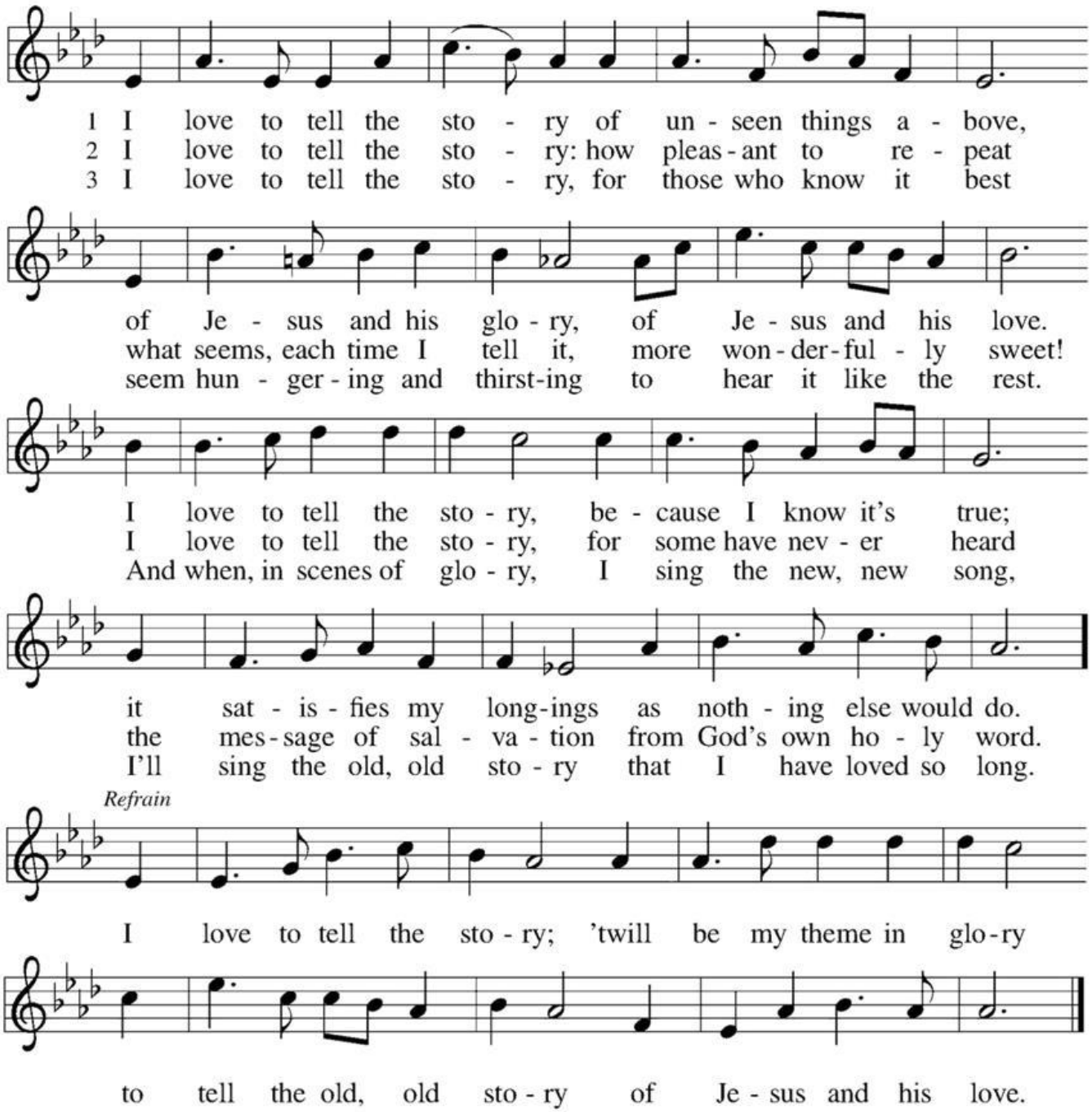


Take My Life That I May Be ELW 583



Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, adapt.; Spanish text: Vincent Mendoza, 1875–1955
Music: TOMA MI VOLUNTAD, William Dexheimer Pharris, b. 1956
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I Love to Tell the Story **ELW 661**



+ POST-COMMUNION BLESSING
May this body and blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus the Christ, strengthen you and keep you in his grace, now and forever. **Amen**

+ PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION
Let us pray:
Mothering God,
you gathered us to your table
and we drank deeply of your grace.
Send us out by your Spirit
to love our neighbors as ourselves
and proclaim your love in Jesus' name.
Amen

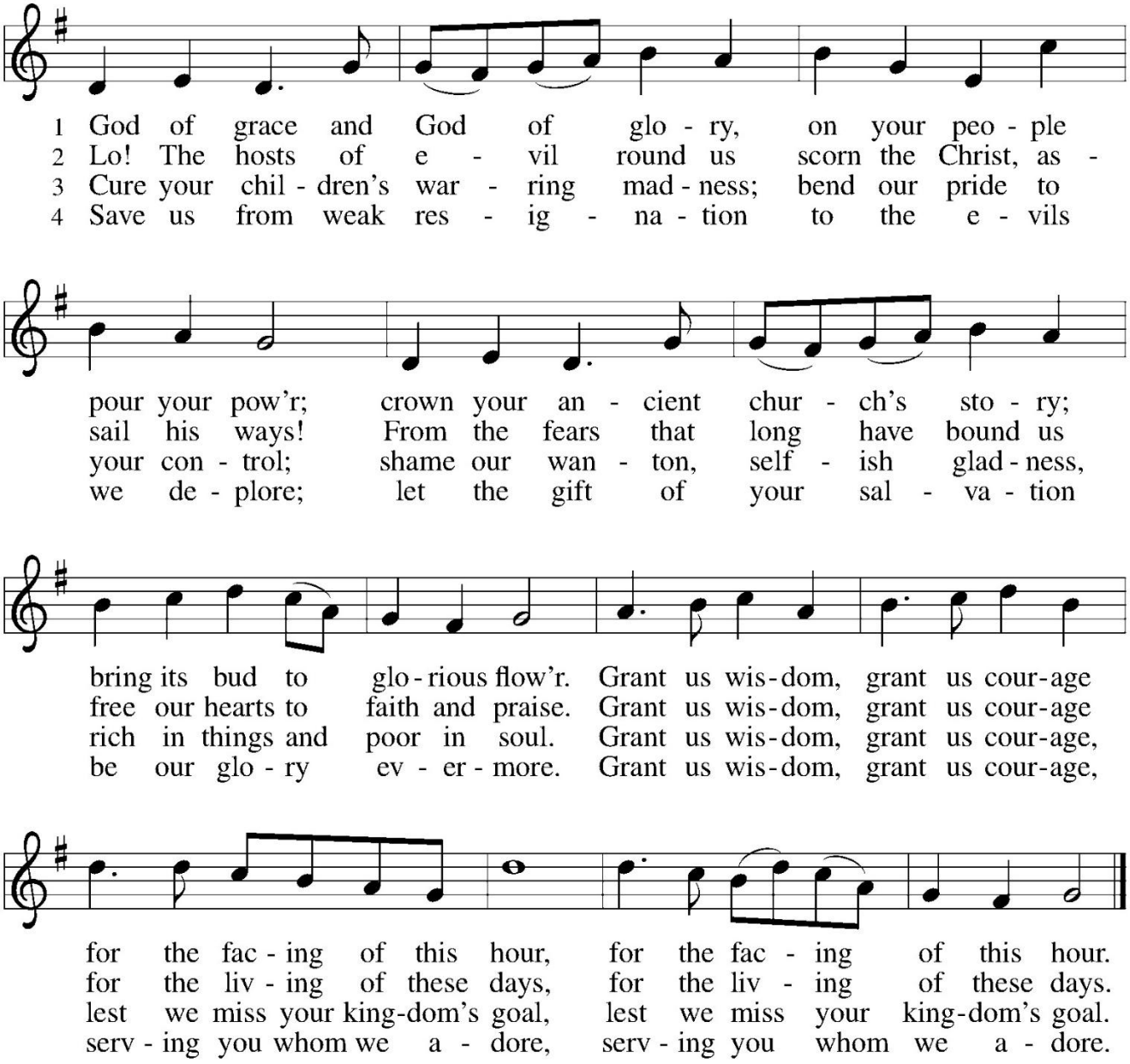
‡ SENDING ‡

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world

+ BLESSING

The love of God abound in you;
the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts;
and the life of the Spirit
☩ bless you and give you peace. **Amen**

+ SENDING HYMN ***God of Grace and God of Glory*** **ELW 705**



+ DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE **Jennifer Rosin**

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