ZION
Lutheran Church



All Saint's Day
November 1, 2026
11:00 a.m.

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Music Minister – Charles Potter
Holy Communion, ELW Setting 1

All Saints celebrates the baptized people of God, living and dead, who are the body of Christ. As November heralds the dying of the landscape in many northern regions, the readings and liturgy call us to remember all who have died in Christ and whose baptism is complete. At the Lord's table we gather with the faithful of every time and place, trusting that the promises of God will be fulfilled and that all tears will be wiped away in the new Jerusalem.

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.

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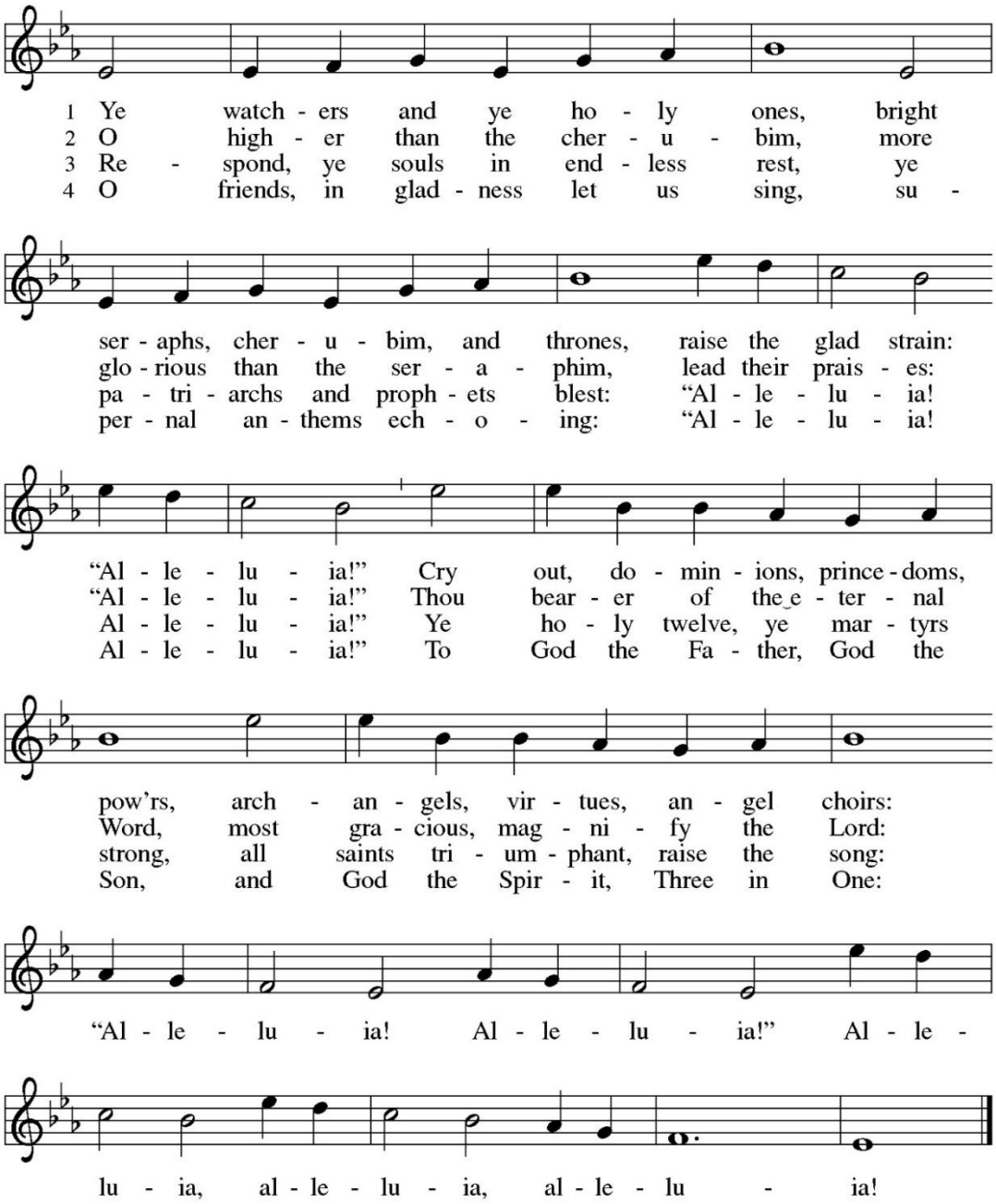
PRELUDE Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones" Hal H. Hopson; Rudolf Moser
Charles Potter

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS
RINGING OF THE BELL

Confession and Forgiveness
All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.
Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,
our dwelling place for all generations,
whose compassion never slumbers.
Amen.

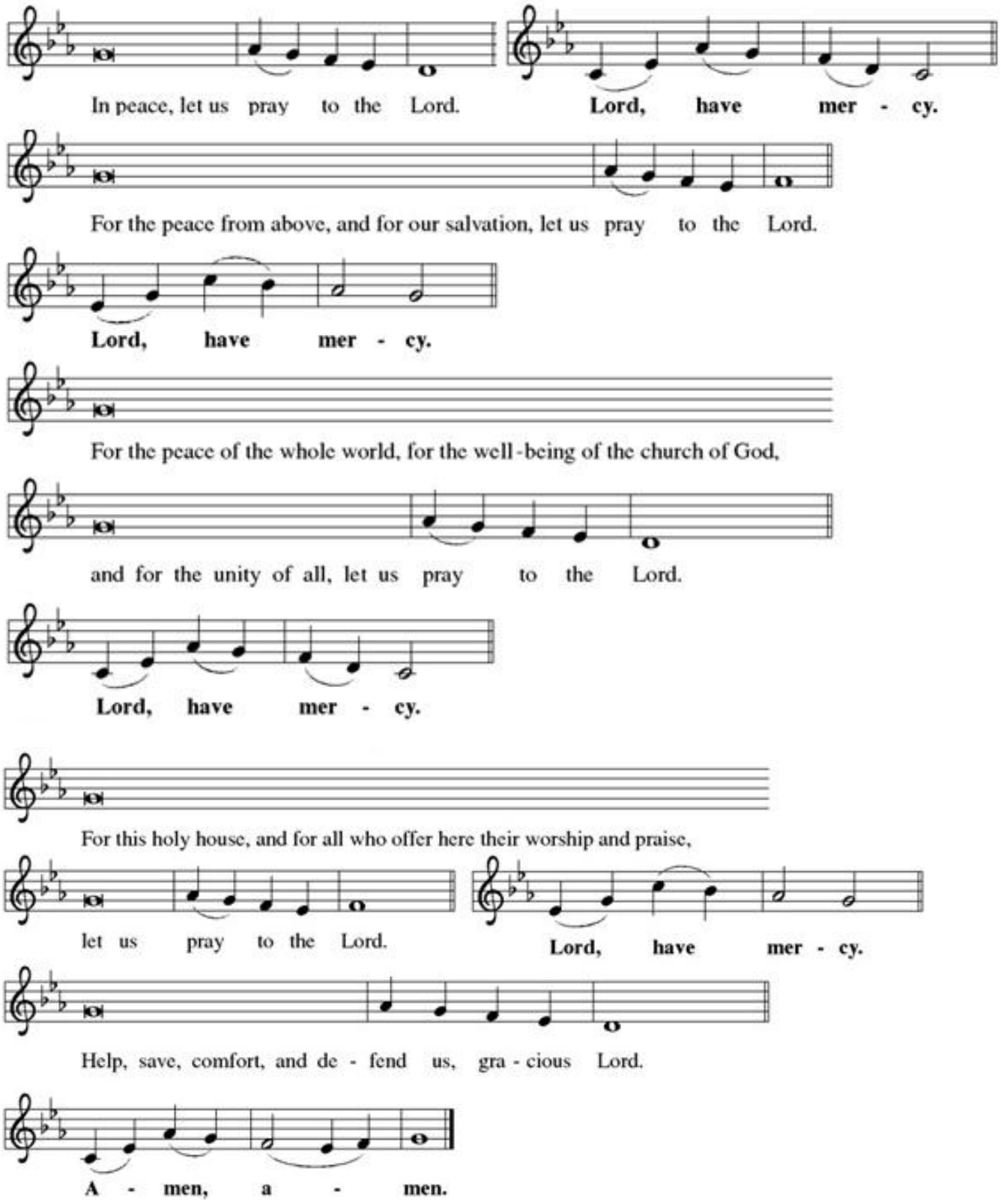
Let us confess our sin in the presence of God
and of one another.
Silence is kept for reflection.
Holy God,
we confess that we have trusted in our preparation instead of your invitation.
We prioritize our piety over care for your beloved.
We trust the voice of our shame and fear, which keeps us from entering fully into relationship with you and others.
We are not awake to the coming of your reign. Rouse us and rescue us, that we may enter into your joy. Amen.
Inherit the riches of God's grace.
☩ Jesus, the good shepherd, feeds you with his mercy.
You are forgiven. Blessed are you. **Amen.**

+ GATHERING HYMN ELW 424 "Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones"
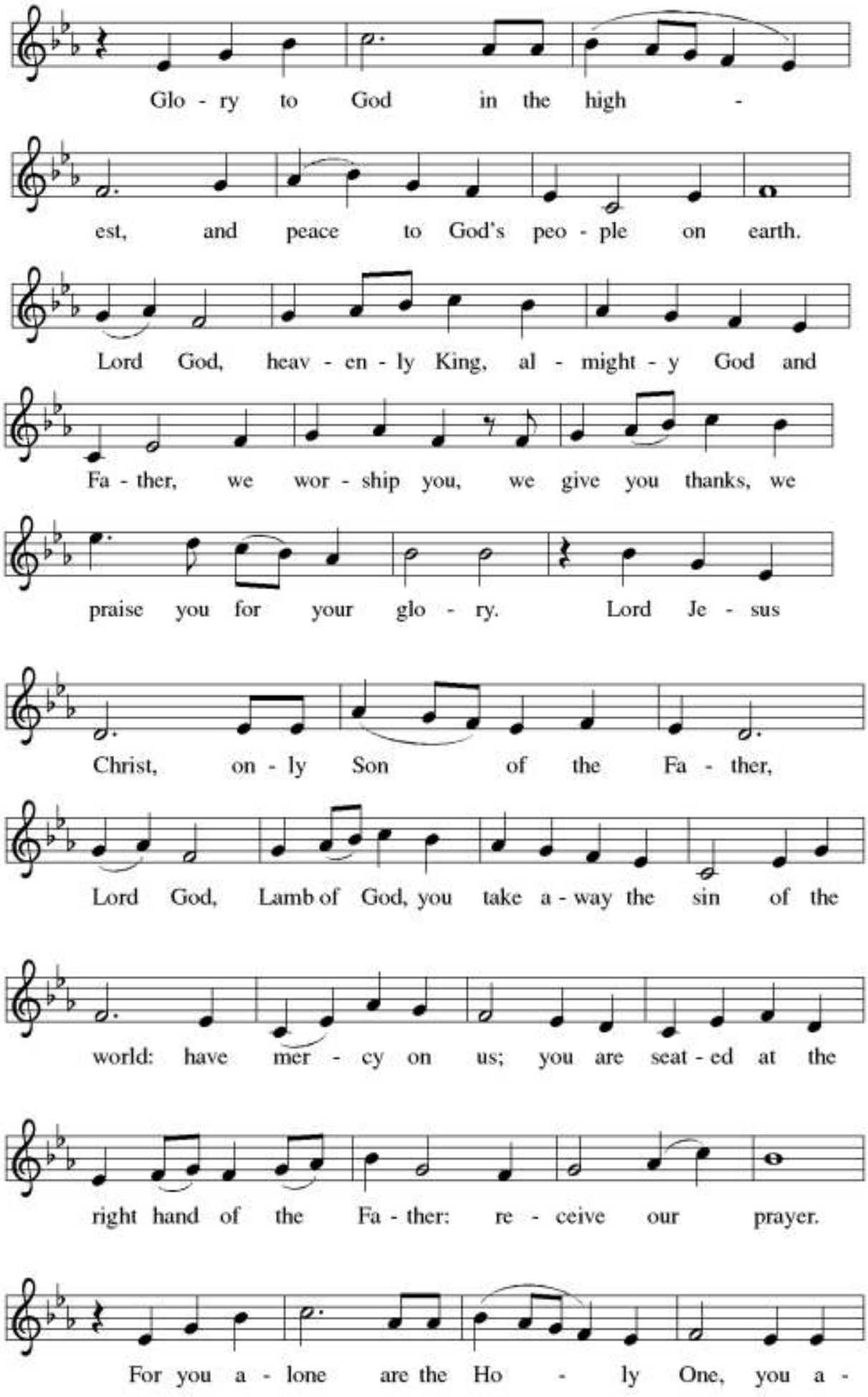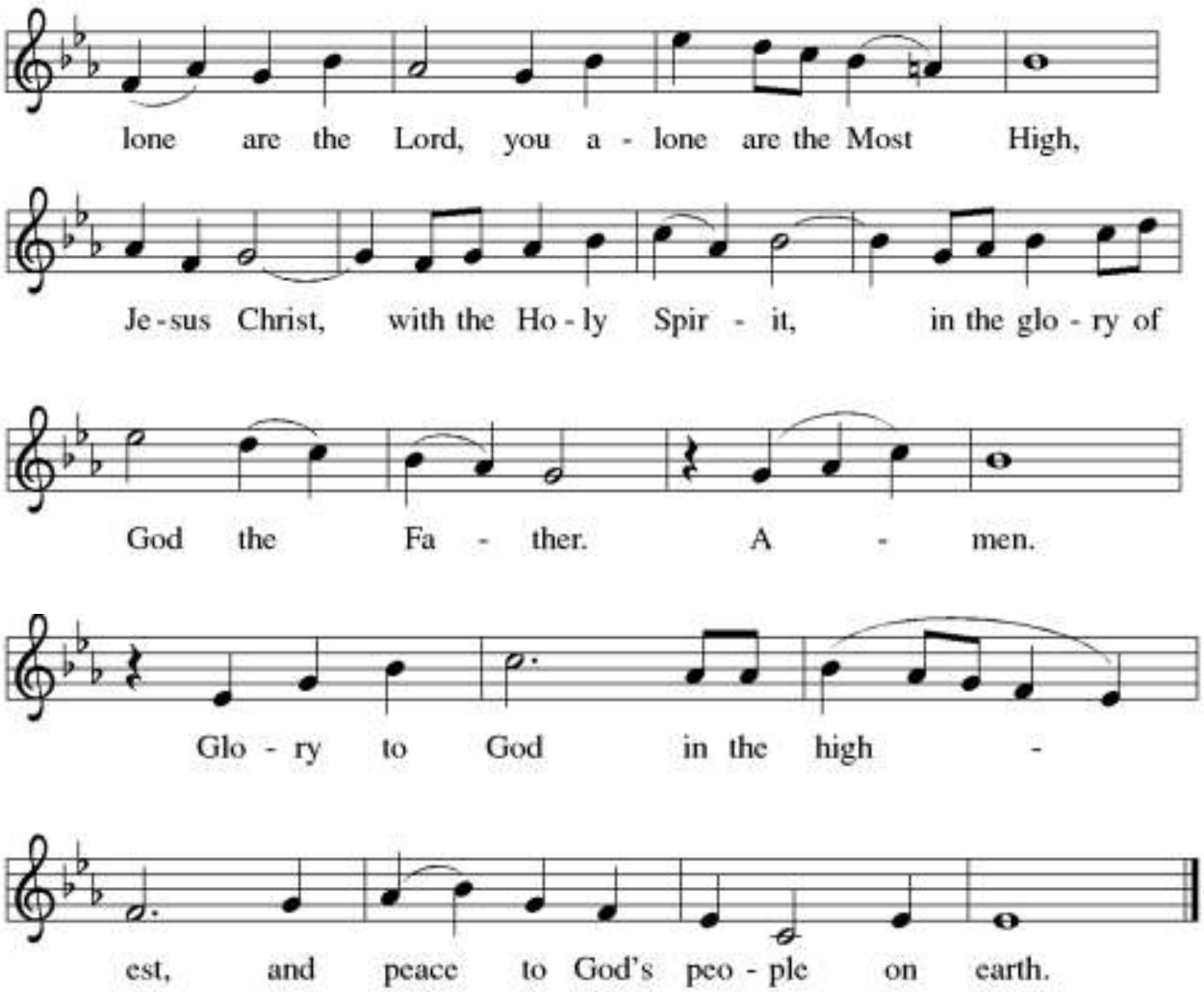


+GREETING
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

+Kyrie: page 98



+Hymn of Praise: page 99





+Prayer of the Day:

Let us pray,

Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Anthem " I Will Sing To You" **Senior Choir**
Soloists Gail Pusateri & Charles Potter

FIRST READING Revelation 7:9-17

9 After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every
nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before
the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. 10 They cried out in a loud
voice, saying,
"Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne and to the Lamb!"
11 And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living
creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, 12 singing,
"Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom
and thanksgiving and honor

and power and might
be to our God forever and ever! Amen."
13 Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" 14 I said to him, "Sir, you are the one who knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.
15 For this reason they are before the throne of God
and worship him day and night within his temple,
and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.
16 They will hunger no more and thirst no more;
the sun will not strike them,
nor any scorching heat,
17 for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd,
and he will guide them to springs of the water of life,
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."
The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 34:1-10, 22
1 I will bless the Lord at all times;
the praise of God shall ever be in my mouth.
2 **I will glory in the Lord;**
let the lowly hear and rejoice.
3 Proclaim with me the greatness of the Lord;
let us exalt God's name together.
4 **I sought the Lord, who answered me**
and delivered me from all my terrors.
5 Look upon the Lord and be radiant,
and let not your faces be ashamed.
6 **I called in my affliction, and the Lord heard me**
and saved me from all my troubles.
7 The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear the Lord
and delivers them.
8 **Taste and see that the Lord is good;**
happy are they who take refuge in God!
9 Fear the Lord, you saints of the Lord,
for those who fear the Lord lack nothing.
10 **The lions are in want and suffer hunger,**
but those who seek the Lord lack nothing that is good.
22 O Lord, you redeem the life of your servants,
and those who put their trust in you will not be punished.

SECOND READING: 1 John 3:1-3

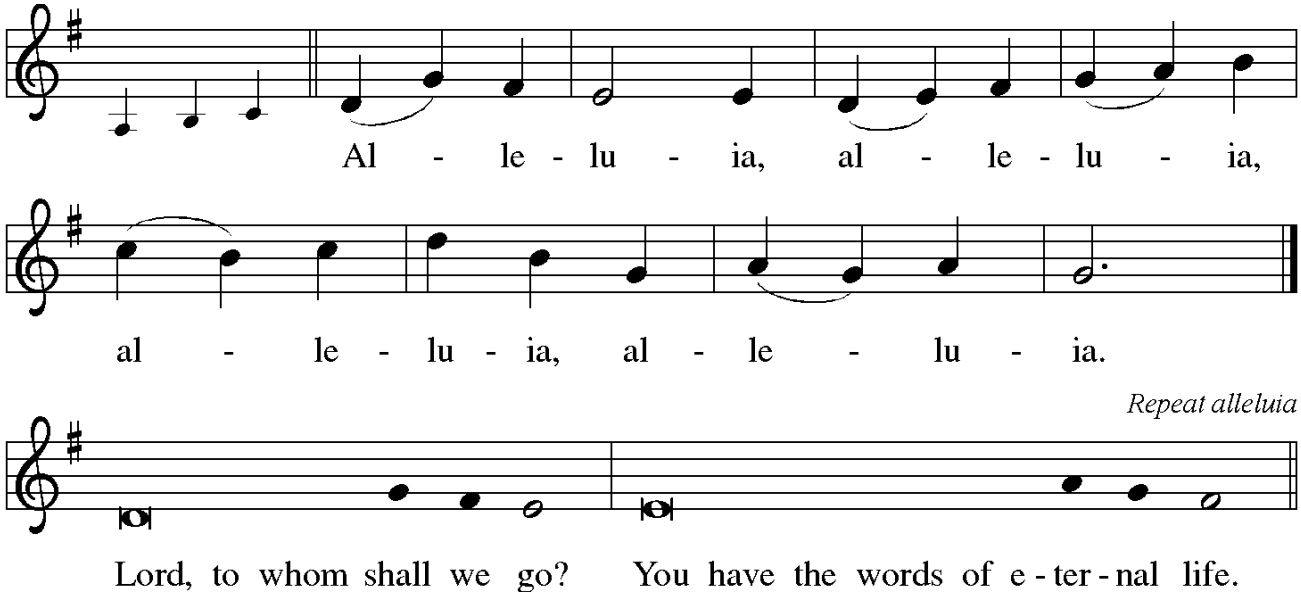
1 See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God, and that is
what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. 2 Beloved,
we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is
this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. 3 And all who have
this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SUNDAY SINGERS "This Little Light of Mine"

+GOSPEL ACCLAMATION page 102



+GOSPEL Matthew 5:1-12

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew the 5th chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

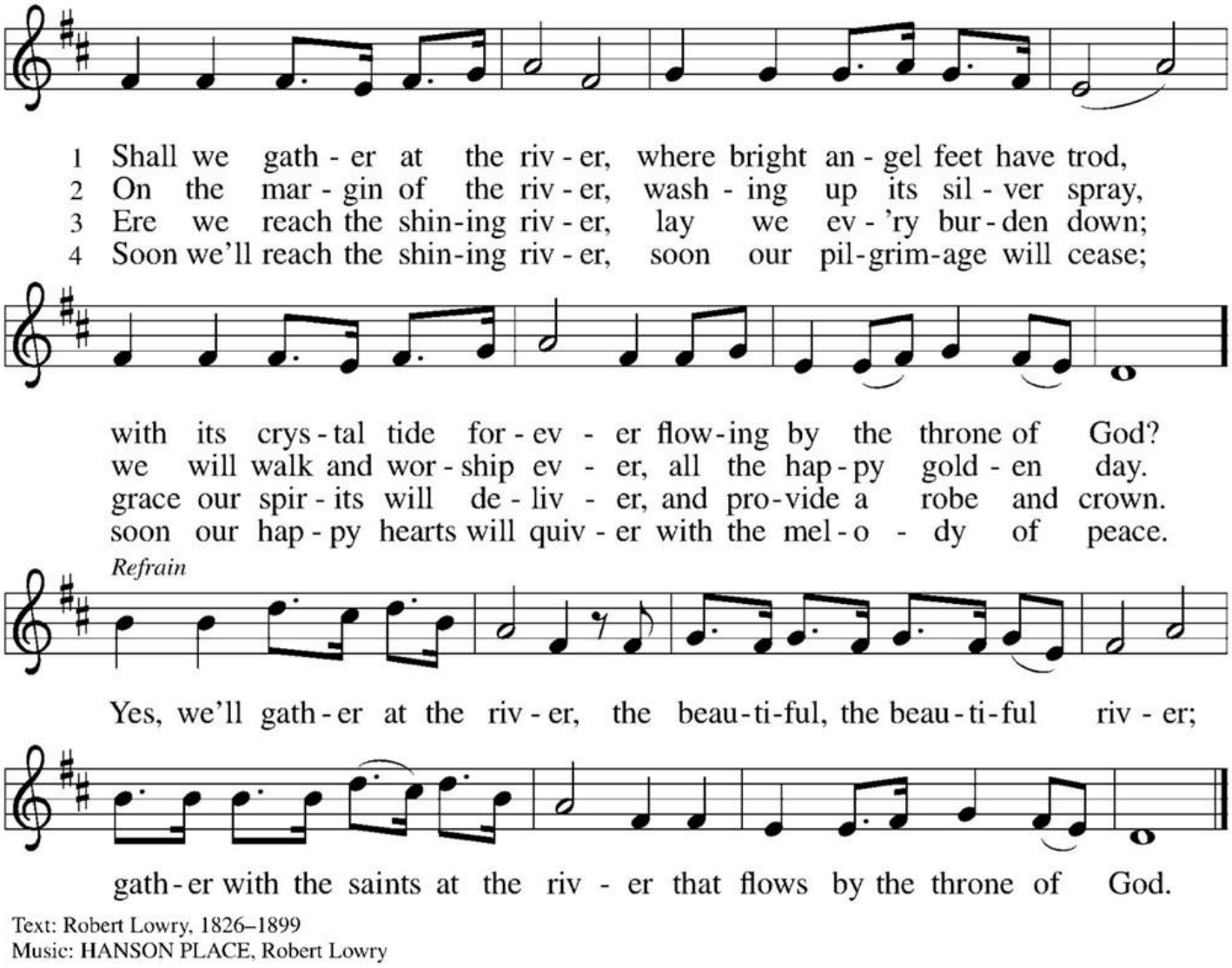
1 When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he sat down, his disciples
came to him. 2 And he began to speak and taught them, saying:

3 "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
4 "Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.
5 "Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.
6 "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.
7 "Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.
8 "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.
9 "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.
10 "Blessed are those who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the
kingdom of heaven.
11 "Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil
against you falsely on my account. 12 Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven,
for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

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

SERMON

+HYMN OF THE DAY ELW 423 "Shall We Gather at the River"



Text: Robert Lowry, 1826–1899
Music: HANSON PLACE, Robert Lowry

+ APOSTLES' CREED

Let us confess our faith together in 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

REMEMBRANCE OF THE SAINTS

We remember the great ancestors of our faith, from Abraham and Sarah, to Paul and Phoebe:

Ancestors of the faith, we remember you.

We remember the prophets and priests, the ministers and teachers who have taught us the way of God:

Teachers of the faith, we remember you.

We remember our grandparents and parents, aunts and uncles, those who have gone before us in our lifetime:
Family of our faith, we remember you.

We lift up the memories of children and grandchildren, brothers and sisters, husbands and wives and parents whose lives ended too soon:
Those close in our heart, we remember you.
Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the source of all mercy and the God of all consolation, who **comforts us in all our sorrows so that we can comfort others in their sorrows with the consolation we ourselves have received from God**.

When we were baptized in Christ Jesus, we were baptized into his death.
We were buried, therefore, with him by baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from death by the glory of the Father, we too might live a new life.
For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. **Thanks be to God!**

We lift up to You, O God, the names of those from our congregation and connected community who have died this past year whose memory we hold dear.
As we read these names, we will ring a bell and light a candle to remember, pray, and give thanks for their life. Let us give thanks for James "Jim" Honeyman, Judy Carlson, Wilma Montgomery, Richard Marr, Irmgard Shoppa, Deborah Paulson, Connie Giles, JoAnn Nelson & Robert Danner. **We celebrate the lives of those we have named, O God, and lift up many more beloved saints of our lives who rest in your mercy.**

Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend these your servants – sheep of your own fold, lambs of your own flock, sinners of your own redeeming. **Rest eternal grant them, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them. Amen.**

We lift up to you, O God, the names of those who have joined us in the great communion of saints and the body of Christ through the water and Word of Holy Baptism in the past year. We pray that you would give Ronald Winkle, Brynlee Winkle & Paislee Winkle the gifts of the Holy Spirit, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever. **We give thanks for these new brothers and sisters in Christ and all of the baptized as we bear God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.**

We lift up to you, O God, the faithful gifts given in honor and memory of loved ones to enrich your ministry through Zion Lutheran Church, including gifts given in the name of Judy Carlson, Robert Danner, Connie Giles, Jim Honeyman, Evie Marr, Richard Marr, Wilma Montgomery, Rosemarie Paul, Richard Paul, Debbie Paulson, William Prichard, & Imgard Shoppa. **Inspire us by their memory, O Lord, to share the good news with all the world.**

We give thanks for gifts, past, present, and future which help us strengthen our outreach and ministry. In the past year we have had the ability to purchase new items for the Garden

Of Eatin', an electronic sign, communion trays, A/V equipment tables, sign inserts for 6th & Sycamore Streets, donations for the quilters, a flower refrigerator and a new video projector. All of this comes through faithful generosity to the memorial fund. May all of this be dedicated to aid us in your ministry through Zion Lutheran Church.
We give thanks for all that has been provided for us.

A TIME OF PRAYER AND REMEMBRANCE
At this time, worship participants are invited to come forward as they feel so moved to light a taper candle in memory of a loved one (or more than one candle and loved one) who has entered into the fullness of God's baptismal promises and eternal life. The tapers are laid out on the table with the prayer cross. Simply light the taper(s) from one of the four pillar candles at each point of the cross. Take as much time as you need for prayer and remembrance. The Zion Bell Choir will provide a musical offering for reflection during this time.

MUSICAL OFFERING *Shall We Gather at the River* Jason W. Krug
ZION BELL CHOIR

When all have had an opportunity to light candles and pray, the presiding minister concludes with the following collect prayer.
We give thanks, O God, for all who have gone on to join with you beyond this life. We trust in the hope of resurrection and the promise of new life in Christ, and know that in our grief and celebration, O God, you are with us through it all, and we are not left alone. In the name of Christ, in whom love lives forever, we pray. **Amen.**

+ SHARING OF THE PEACE
The peace of Christ be with you always,
And also, with you.

‡ MEAL ‡

OFFERING

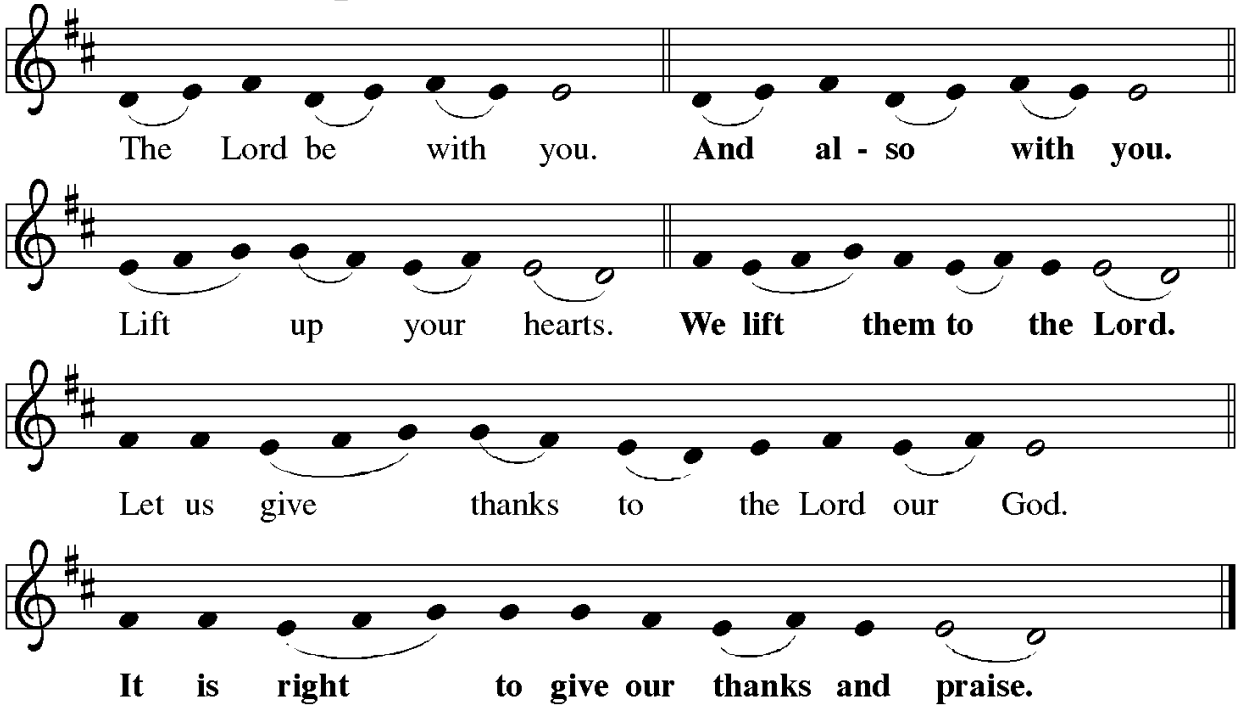
God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ
Thank you for supporting God's ministry and mission through the people of Zion Lutheran Church. Your contributions are greatly appreciated.
We have online giving options available through Tithe.ly which allows you to give through the app, online, and even 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 "Shall We Gather at the River" Dale Wood
Charles Potter

OFFERING PRAYER
Eternal God,

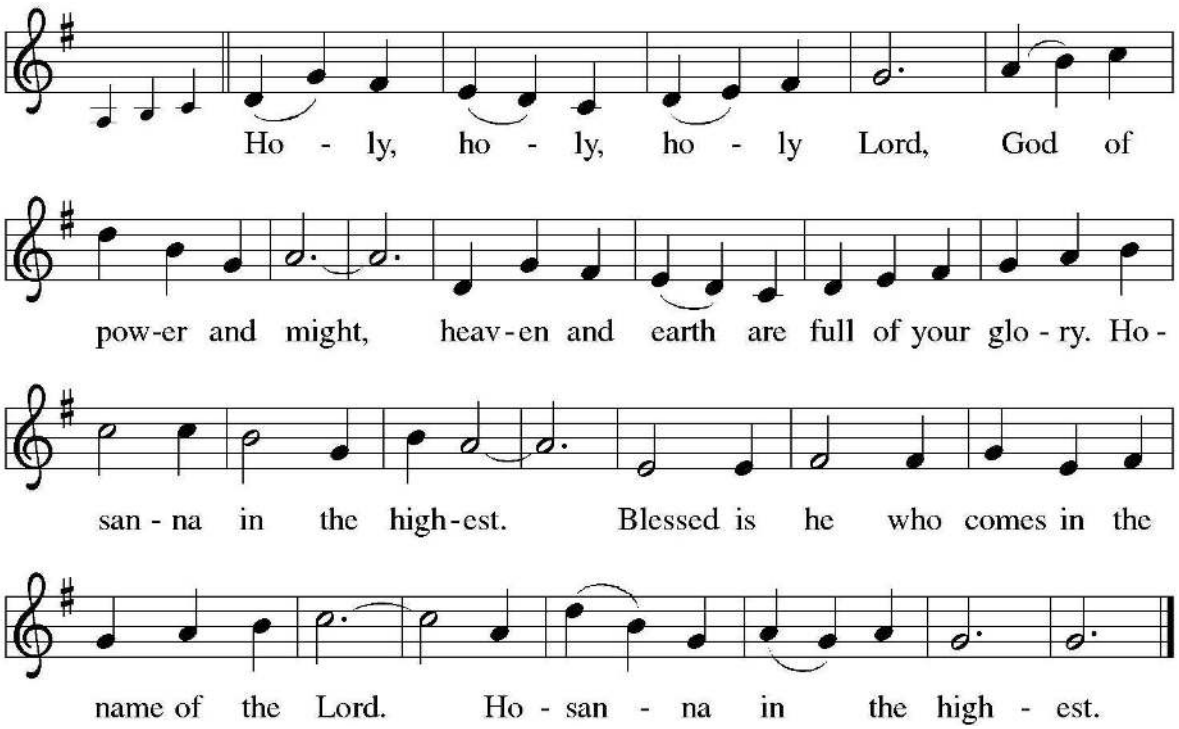
our time, talents, and treasures are gifts from you.
Receive what we offer,
and all that you entrust to us,
until hungry no more, all the world is fed,
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

+ DIALOGUE ELW p. 107



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

+HOLY, HOLY, HOLY ELW p. 207



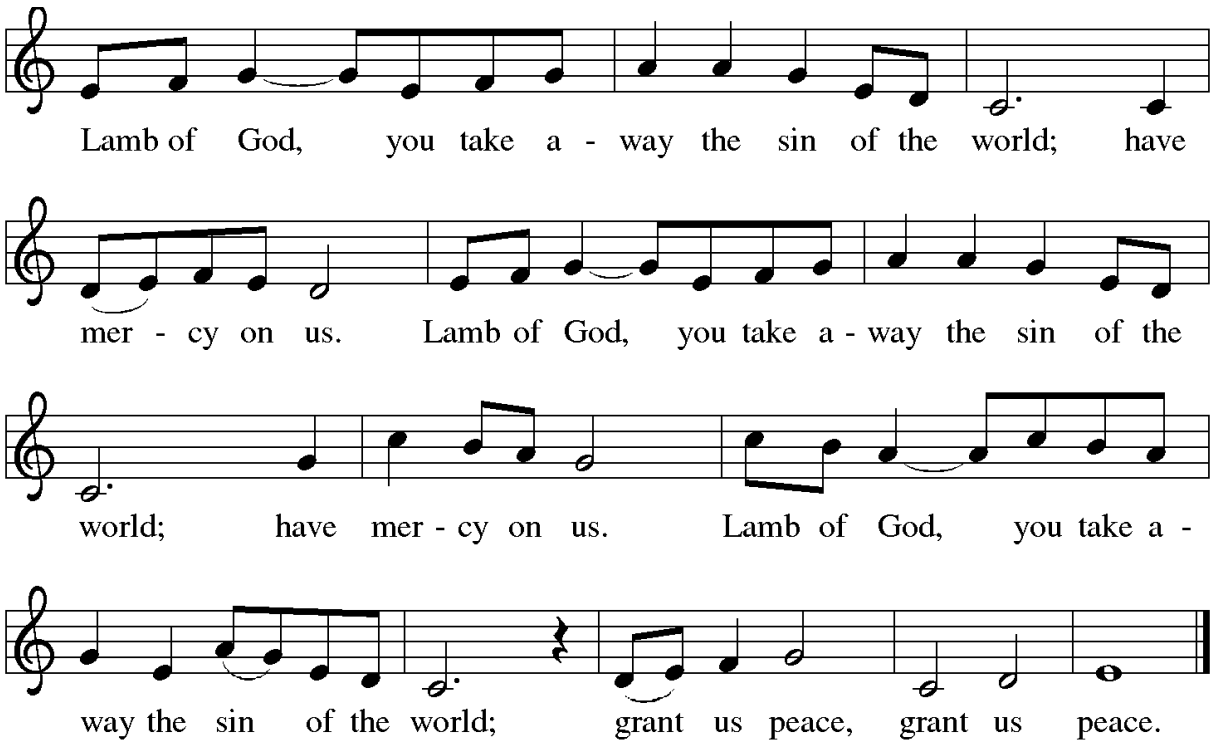
+ WORDS OF INSTITUTION
In the night in which he was betrayed…Do this for the remembrance of me.

+ 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
In bread and cup the reign of Christ is breaking in.
Come, receive what Christ has prepared.
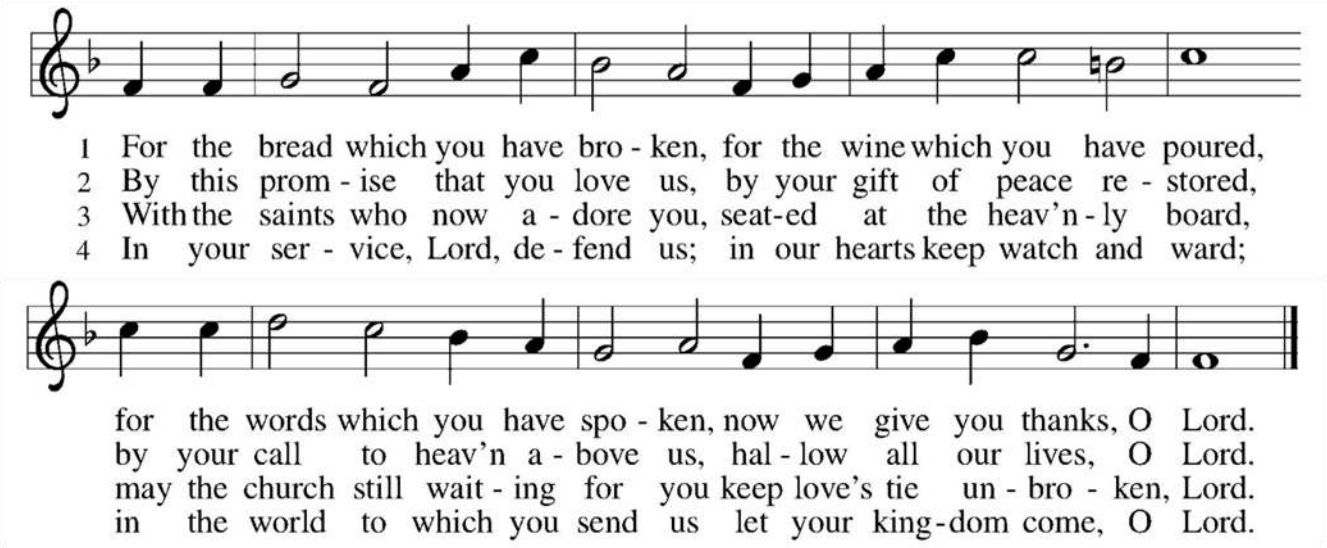
DISTRIBUTION
Please come forward for communion as directed. We will serve communion continuously. If you wish to kneel, please do so after receiving the elements and then proceed to the side aisles. If you are unable or would prefer not to come forward, please inform one of the ushers and communion will be brought to where you are seated. If you do not wish to receive communion, you are welcome to come forward with arms crossed to receive a blessing. Gluten-free wafers are available in the separate small dish. Please let the presiding minister know if you would like a gluten-free wafer. The grape juice is located in the center ring of the communion tray. All who believe in Christ as Lord and Savior, young and old, are welcome at this feast.

LAMB OF GOD ELW p. 112-113
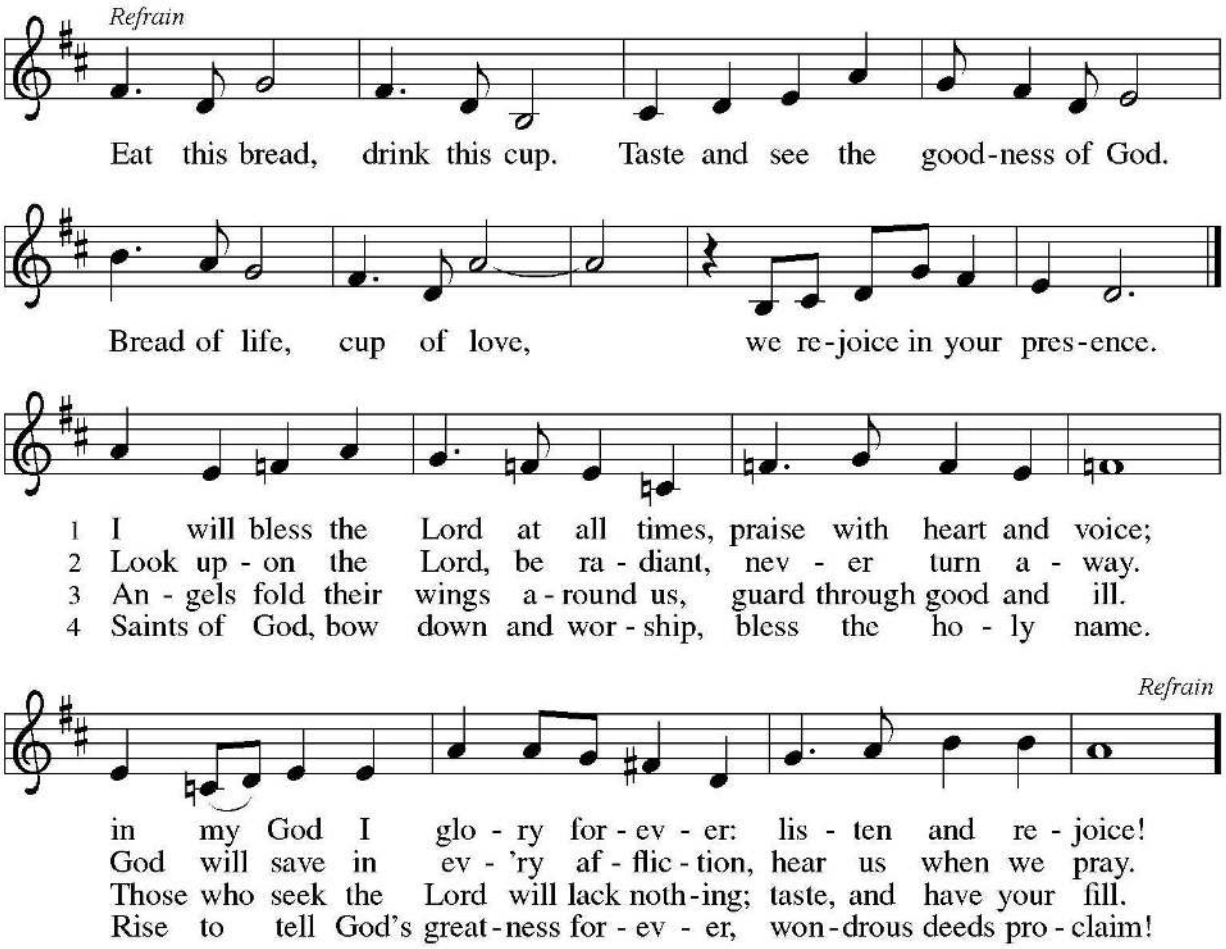


DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

ELW 494 "For the Bread Which You Have Broken"



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Music: OMNI DIE, *Gross Catolisch Gesangbuch*, Nürnberg, 1631
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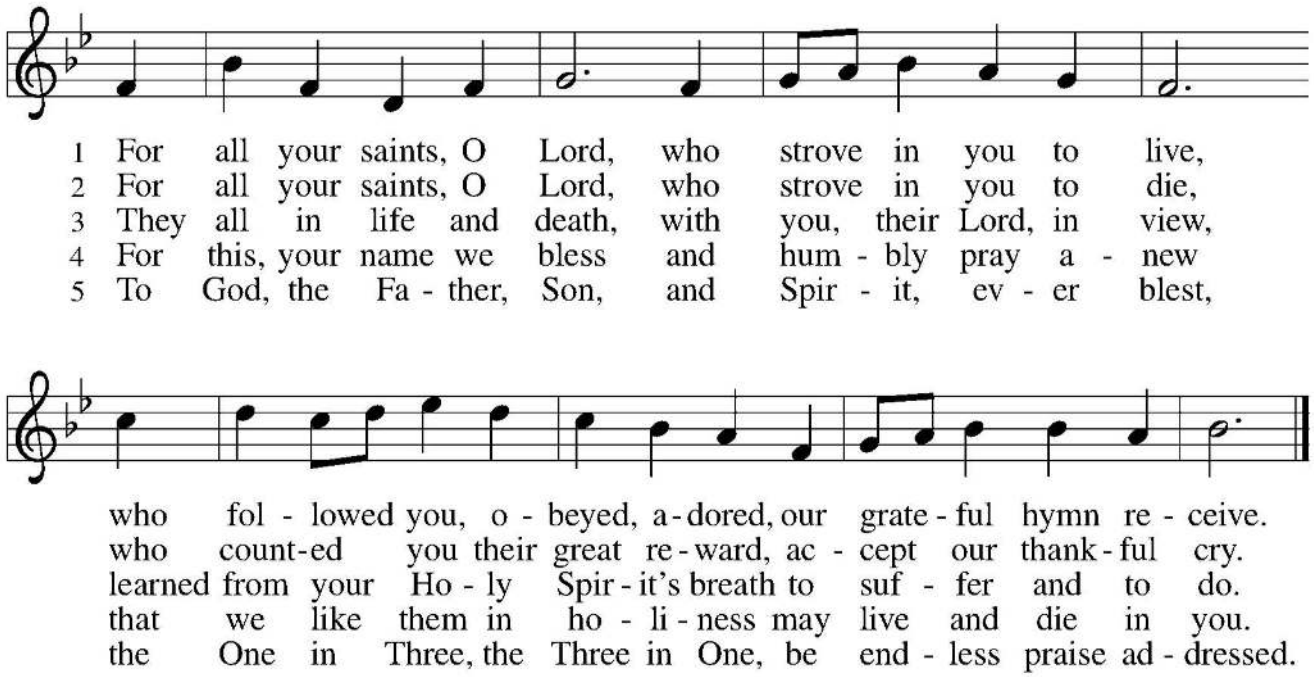
ELW 492 "Eat This Bread, Drink This Cup"



Text: Jeremy Young, b. 1948, refrain; *With One Voice*, stanzas, based on Ps. 34
Music: STONERIDGE, Jeremy Young
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ELW 427 "For All Your Saints, O Lord"



+ POST-COMMUNION BLESSING
Now 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**
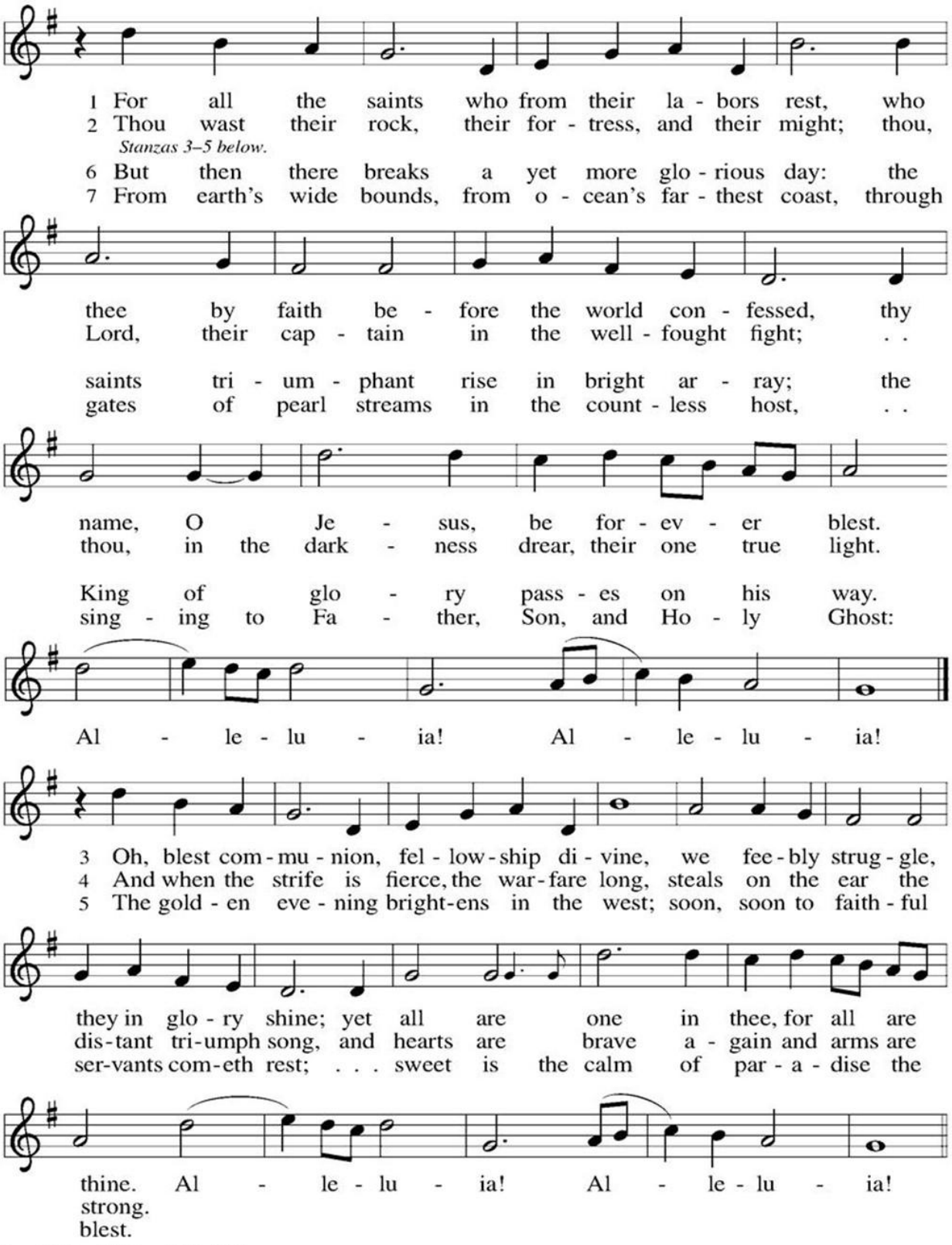
+ PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION
Holy God,
we have received your never-ending mercy in this meal.
You continuously seek the lost,
bind the injured,
and feed your people abundantly.
Now send us out,
awake to your presence,
now and forever.
Amen.

‡ SENDING ‡

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world

+ BLESSING
The holy Trinity,
Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you with wisdom to welcome the reign of God,
today and always.
Amen.

+ SENDING HYMN ELW 422 "For All the Saints" STS. 1,3,5,6



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Music: SINE NOMINE, Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872–1958
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+DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Encourage one another.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE " For All the Saints" Arthur Hutchings **Charles Potter**

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