THE TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

November 8, 2026
10:00 AM Service
Holy Communion: Rite II



Episcopal Church of the GOOD SHEPHERD

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Sunday Services at 8 and 10 AM • Wednesday at 6 PM
Our Sunday 10 AM service is livestreamed

WELCOME TO GOOD SHEPHERD

Restrooms: Handicap-accessible restrooms are located to the right as you go up the ramp through the archway across from the doors of the sanctuary.

We have gluten-free wafers available: Please tell us when you come to the altar rail.

Standing, sitting, and kneeling: Throughout the bulletin, there are invitations to stand, sit or kneel, as you choose. You are free to be seated at any time when that is best for you.

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A gentle Reminder: Please enter the Nave quietly and reverently and silence your phones.

Most of the sung music is found in the blue hymnal, *The Hymnal, 1982*. In the bulletin, an "H" indicates the hymn section of the book; an "S" indicates it's from the service music section in the front of the book.

Virtual Worship Bulletins

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

VOLUNTARY Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying Franklin D. Ashdown
(see the hymn at H-62) (1942-2023)

During the Voluntary, please prepare for worship by observing attentive silence.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

ENTRANCE HYMN H-436 Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates TRURO

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Blessed be God; Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
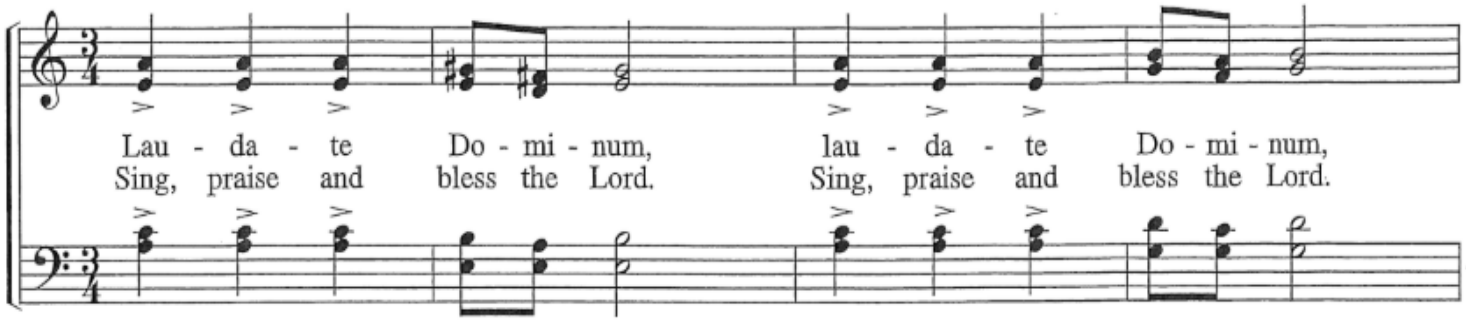
People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

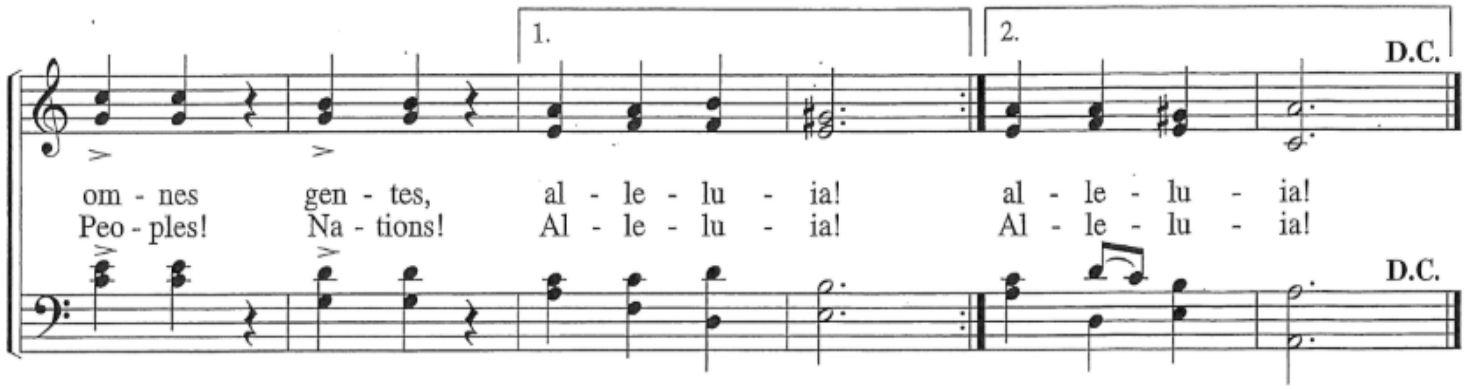
COLLECT FOR PURITY

All **Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you 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 Christ our Lord. Amen.**

HYMN OF PRAISE (TAIZE) Laudate Dominum Jacques Berthier

(alternate Latin and English)





THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray… O God, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

All **Amen**.

THE WORD OF GOD

THE FIRST READING *The people sit.* Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25

Lector *The First Reading is taken from Joshua chapter 24…*

Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel; and they presented themselves before God. And Joshua said to all the people, "Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel: Long ago your ancestors—Terah and his sons Abraham and Nahor—lived beyond the Euphrates and served other gods. Then I took your father Abraham from beyond the River and led him through all the land of Canaan and made his offspring many.

"Now therefore revere the Lord, and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness; put away the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the Lord. Now if you are unwilling to serve the Lord, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord."
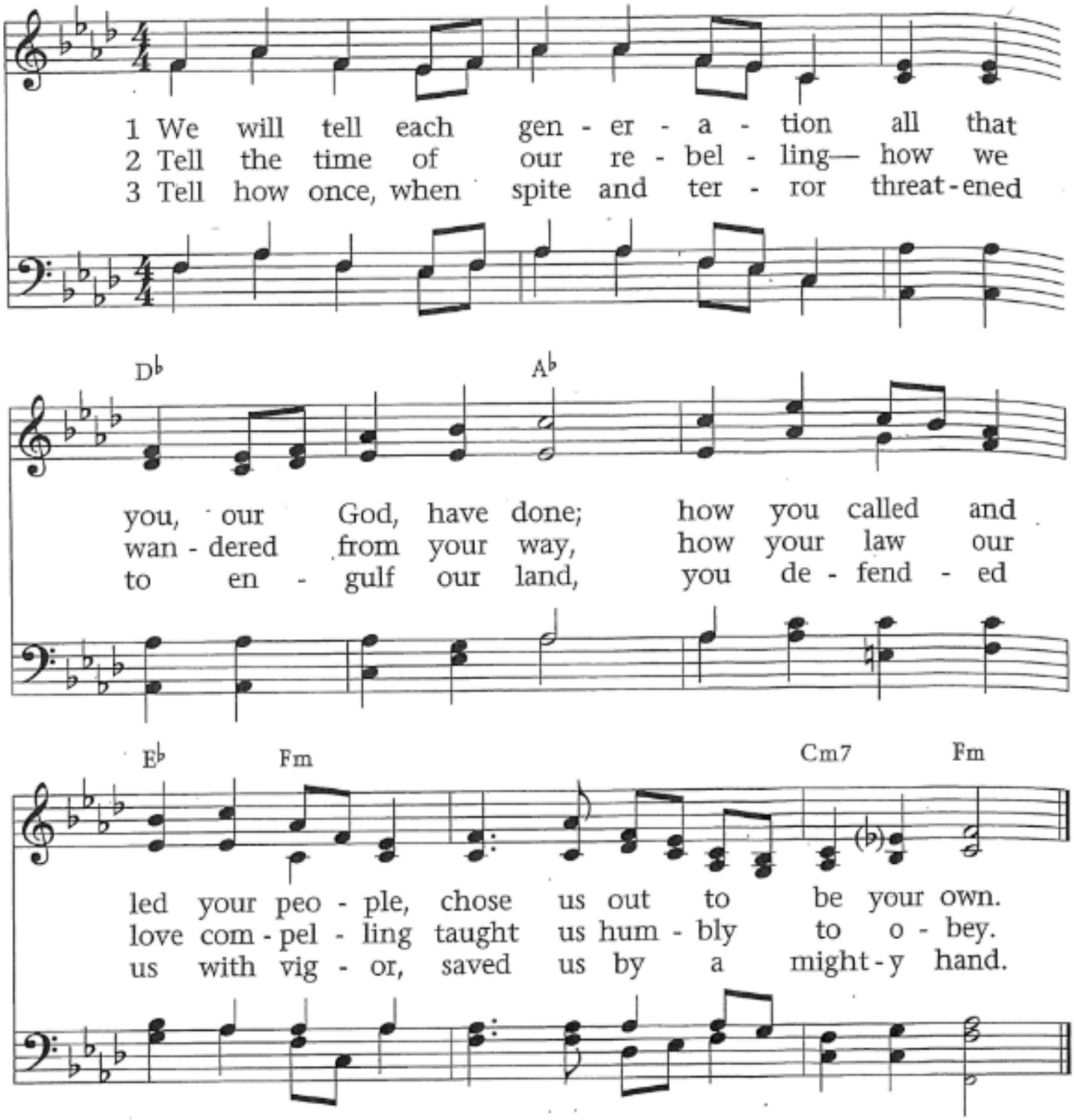
Then the people answered, "Far be it from us that we should forsake the Lord to serve other gods; for it is the Lord our God who brought us and our ancestors up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight. He protected us along all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed; and the Lord drove out before us all the peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve the Lord, for he is our God."

But Joshua said to the people, "You cannot serve the Lord, for he is a holy God. He is a jealous God; he will not forgive your transgressions or your sins. If you forsake the Lord and serve foreign gods, then he will turn and do you harm, and consume you, after having done you good." And the people said to Joshua, "No, we will serve the Lord!" Then Joshua said to the people, "You are witnesses against yourselves that you have chosen the Lord, to serve him." And they said, "We are witnesses." He said, "Then put away the foreign gods that are among you, and incline your hearts to the Lord, the God of Israel." The people said to Joshua, "The Lord our God we will serve, and him we will obey." So Joshua made a covenant with the people that day, and made statutes and ordinances for them at Shechem.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

All singing:



4 Tell the grace that falls from heaven,
angels' food as faith's reward;
tell how sins may be forgiven
through the mercy of the Lord.

5 We will tell each generation
all that you, our God, have done.
As a shepherd you have led us;
by your hand still lead your own.

THE SECOND READING 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Lector *The Second Reading is taken from 1st Thessalonians chapter 4…*

We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord forever. Therefore encourage one another with these words.
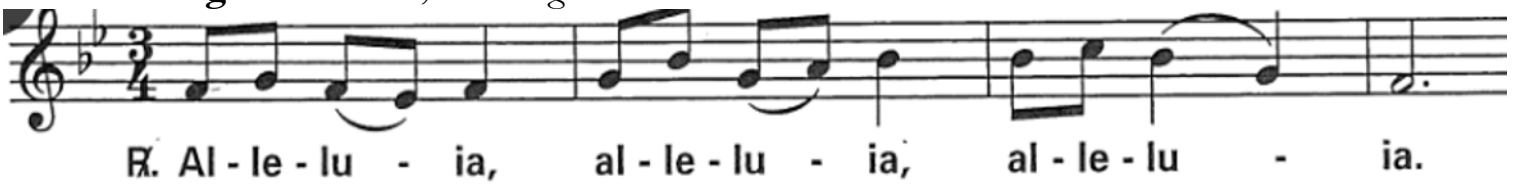
Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

All stand as able.

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION John Schiavone

***All sing this refrain**; choir sings the verse:*



Choir: I have chosen you from the world, says the Lord,
to go and bear fruit that will remain. Alleluia. ***(Refrain)***

THE GOSPEL Matthew 25:1-13

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Celebrant Jesus said, "Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, 'Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise replied, 'No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.' And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' But he replied, 'Truly I tell you, I do not know you.' Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

SERMON *The people sit.* The Reverend Jamie Samilio

NICENE CREED *All stand as able.*

People **We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,**
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.
AMEN.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Please sit, stand, or kneel, as you prefer.

Celebrant Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Lector Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.
Silence

Lector Lord, in your mercy

People **Hear our prayer.**

Lector Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.
Silence

Lector Lord, in your mercy

People **Hear our prayer.**

Lector Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.
Silence

Lector Lord, in your mercy

People **Hear our prayer.**

Lector Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. We give thanks for the flowers today given for the glory of God, and for all the blessings of this life, especially the birthdays this coming week of Jane Morris, Carly Hopwood, Laurie Rennie, Dayana Mosquera, Tom Huffman, Eileen Golema, Nels Auger, and Nancy Belfsky, and the anniversary of Philip and Bethany Elder.
Silence

Lector Lord, in your mercy

People **Hear our prayer.**

Lector Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; especially those on our parish prayer list and those we now name aloud or in our hearts *(Pause)*, give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.
Silence

Lector Lord, in your mercy

People **Hear our prayer.**

Lector We commend to your mercy all who have died, especially those on our parish prayer list and those we now name aloud or in our hearts *(Pause)* that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.
Silence

Lector Lord, in your mercy

People **Hear our prayer.**

The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.

DAUGHTERS OF THE KING INDUCTION

HYMN H-473 *(stanza 1)* Lift High the Cross CRUCIFER

Refrain: **Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim**
till all the world adore his sacred Name.

Led on their way by this triumphant sign,
the hosts of God in conquering ranks combine. *[Refrain]*

THE GREETING OF PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**
All may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY SENTENCE *Please be seated.*

OFFERTORY Table of Joy — Joseph M. Martin
Choir

Come to the table, seekers, arise. Jesus is waiting to give you new life.
Shake off the dust from the weary road. The doors are flung open to welcome you home!

Come to the joy! Let there be grace! Those who are seeking will all find a place.
Let the whole earth sing out as one! Come to the table.
Come to the wonderful, marvelous table of joy!
Come to the table of joy!

Come to the table, touch the divine. Jesus is teaching with bread and with wine,
filling each heart with new hope from above and washing the world with the Gospel of love!

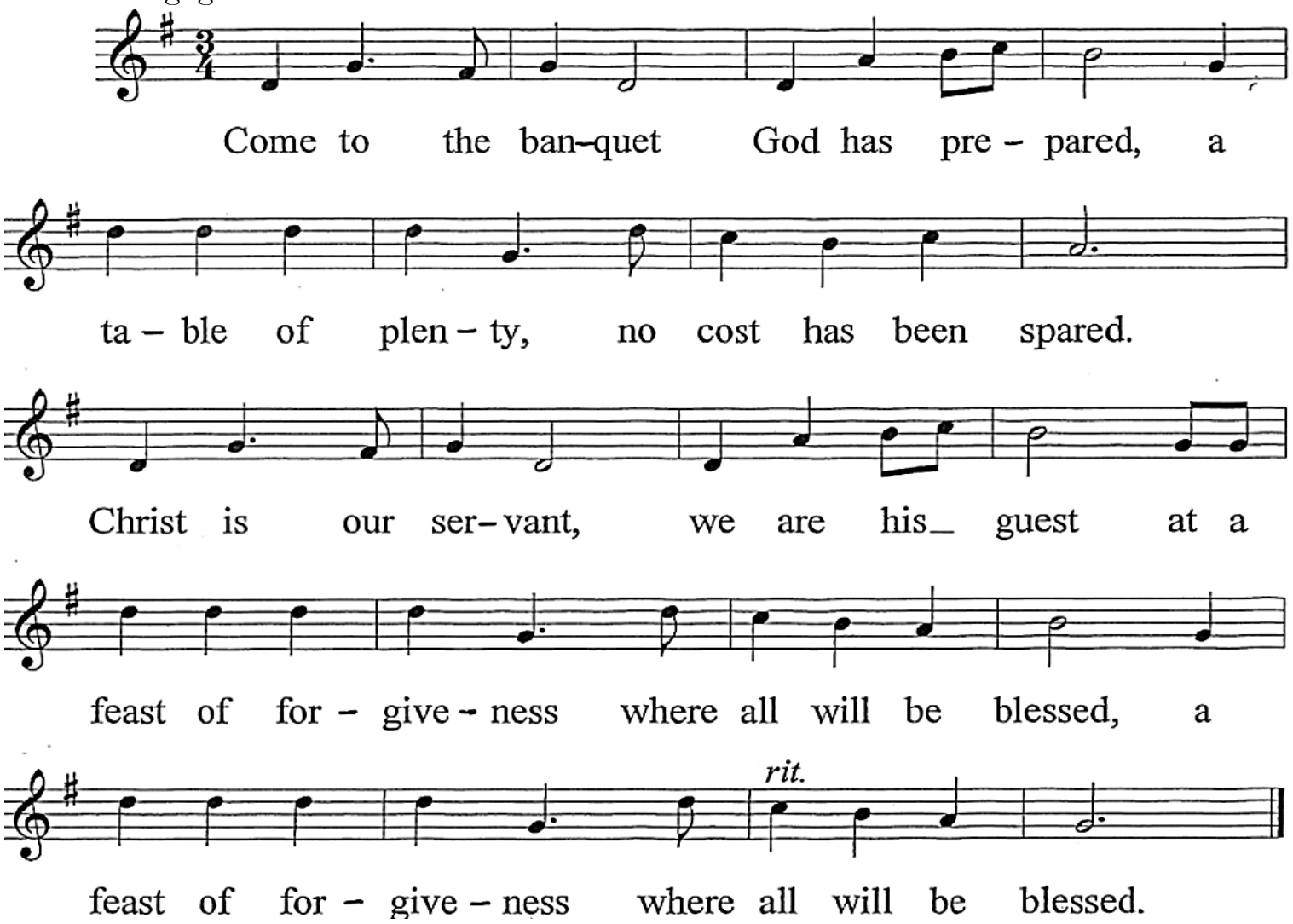
In Christ there is no East or West, in Him no South or North;
but one great fellowship of love throughout the whole wide earth.

Join hands all people of the faith, whate'er your race may be;
for ev'ryone who loves the Lord, is surely kin to me.
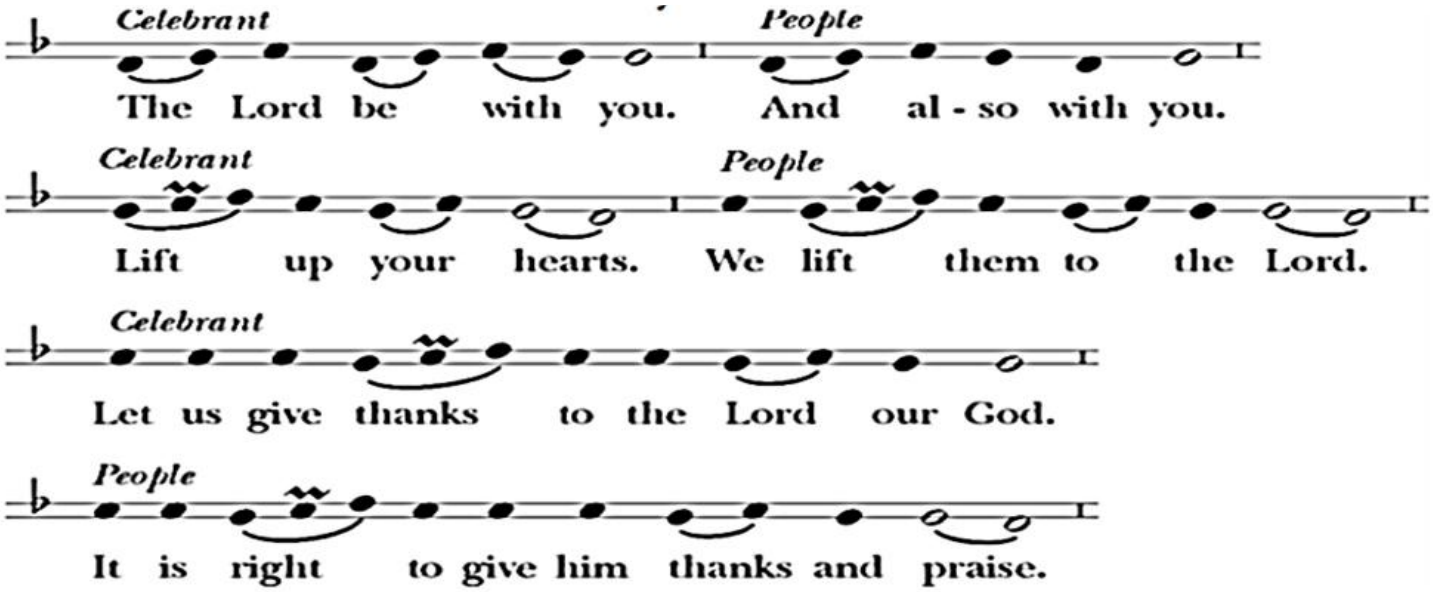
All are welcome! All are welcome to come to the table. Let there be peace!
Rest in the promise and find your release. Here is this moment we all are one,
and life everlasting has only begun!

PRESENTATION HYMN Joseph M. Martin

All singing:



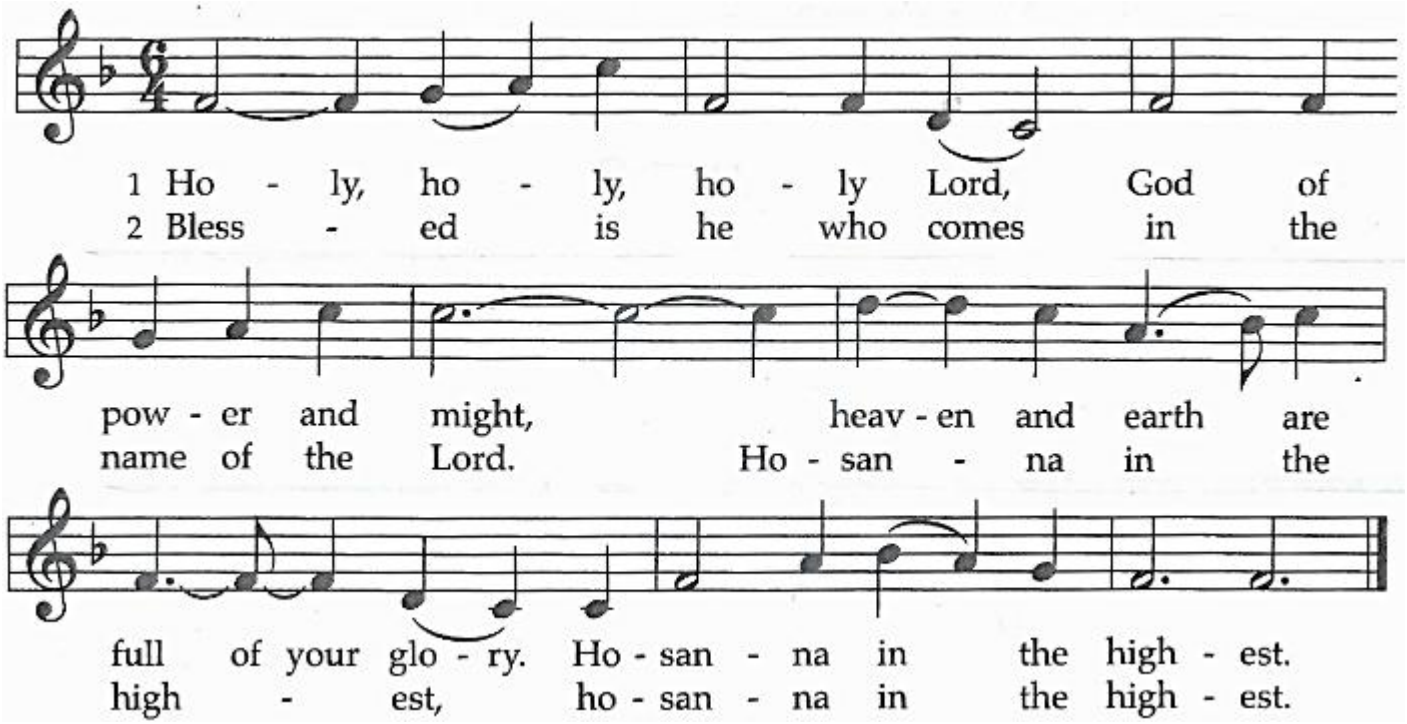
THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: Eucharistic Prayer A



Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Celebrant adds a proper preface.
Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your name:

SANCTUS LAND OF REST



The Celebrant continues
Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is My Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:
All **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

The Celebrant continues
We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.
People **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
People **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, for ever and ever.
Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread. A period of silence is kept.

THE FRACTION ANTHEM S-154 David Hurd

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.
All are invited to receive the Sacrament. If you would like to receive wine you may do so by sipping from the Chalice or allowing the Eucharistic Minister to intinct (dip) the wafer for you.
If you desire a blessing instead of Communion, cross your arms over your chest.

COMMUNION Jerusalem, My Happy Home arr. Walter L. Pelz (1926-2026)

COMMUNION HYMN H-547 Awake, O Sleeper MARSH CHAPEL

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Celebrant Let us pray…

All **Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

THE BLESSING

THE SENDING HYMN H-194 Jesus Lives! Thy Terrors Now ST. ALBINUS

You are invited to remain for the closing voluntary.

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

VOLUNTARY Jesus Lives! Thy Terrors Now Paul Bryan/T. Tertius Noble

SERVING US TODAY

Celebrant	The Reverend Whitney Burton
Guest Preacher	The Reverend Jamie Samilio
Organist/Choirmaster	Tom Huffman
Crucifer	Michelle Schombs
Torch/Chalicists	Joe Nixon and Miriam Benitez-Nixon
Lectors	Alan Mackay and Leslie Long
Prayers of the People	Miriam Benitez-Nixon
Ushers	Alan Mackay and Marc Jacobson
	Ryan Stollenmaier and Nancy Vallely
Building & Grounds	Gerry Boone

PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR

Tom, Angela P, Mandeville P, Buchie L, Mavis S, Jonquil S, Osric P, Michael W, Linda, Christopher J, Carol J, Pam, Nancy V, Cliff M, Dick and Charlotte S, Helen Marie, Mary Ann W, Elena G, Millie L, Hilda M, Hazel D, Reverend Kathy, Pat and Carol C, Sherry B, Tony and Priscilla B, Gus R-P, Cheryl S, the Ozbun family, Jim and Barbara G, Ana M, the people of Ukraine, Gloria and Dan S, Maureen B, Bill G, Indra E, Mark and Maryellen, Kam M.

CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK

Birthdays – Jane Morris, Carly Hopwood, Laurie Rennie, Dayana Mosquera, Tom Huffman, Eileen Golema, Nels Auger, and Nancy Belfsky

Anniversary – Philip and Bethany Elder


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FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

Wednesday Bible Study meets from 1:30-3 PM.

The **Soul Sisters** meet every 3rd Saturday at 10 AM in Kirk Hall.

Dunedin Cares collection is sent every 3rd Sunday.

Daughters of the King meet each 4th Sunday at 11:30 AM in the lounge.

Cursillo Gathering is every 3rd Sunday in the Patio Room.

Youth Group meets every second Sunday at 11:30 AM in the Youth Room.

Sunday School is available during the 10 AM service.

The **Nursery** is available for infants through pre-K and begins at 9:45 AM on Sundays.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Veteran's Day – We recognize and thank our veterans and their service to our country.

Come to the Banquet: Stewardship Pledge Drive - We will celebrate God's banquet throughout this stewardship season with guest preachers, stewardship moments and special events: Pledge ingathering Chili Cook-off Friday, November 13, 5-8pm, and Blessing of the Pledges November 15th at one combined 9am service where we will also bless the new Food & Essential Needs Pantry.

Advent Study – Our first meeting will be on Monday, Nov 30 from 6-7 pm in the Patio Room on "Gospel Voices" leading us to Christmas. Please see Michelle Schombs for more information.

New Food and Essential Needs Pantry: Our new Food and Essential Needs Pantry has opened. It will be open every Wednesday from 3:00-5:30pm to serve community members. If you would like to donate items, current needs are butter, flour, oil, white and brown sugar, mustard, mayonnaise, ketchup, and tomato sauce.