

love
each other
as I have
loved you.
John 15:12

The Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 9, 2021 | 9:00am

The Annunciation of Our Lady Episcopal Church
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Welcome to Annunciation

What's Happening

This bulletin contains everything you need to participate in the service. Welcome The Rev Jane Schaefer as our guest celebrant this morning.

Online Worship

To facilitate everyone being able to hear during the service, everyone will be muted except for the person speaking.

Please close all other applications on the device you are using. If you are having connection issues, try turning off the video. You will still be able to hear the service.

If your household has multiple devices going, mute the audio on all but one of them, it can cause feedback on the microphones if there are two or more devices broadcasting in the same room. Also, using headphones or earbuds can eliminate problems with active audio

Streaming to Facebook Live

If you weren't able to join us for our live service, the video will be available at:

<https://www.facebook.com/annunciationgurnee/live/>

You do not have to have a Facebook account to view the video.

The Sanctuary Candle is given in thanksgiving for mothers and those who are mother figures in our lives and for the life and love of Leni Bordelon.

Altar flowers this morning are given by Karin Trinco in celebration of Leni Bordelon's life.

In-person, indoor worship

- Remember, we are safer at home and online worship will be streaming. If you are not feeling well, have been exposed to COVID-19, or are being treated for COVID-19, you need to stay home.
- You must register for church if you will be attending in the building.
- You must wear a mask at all times in the building, with these exceptions: you are a reader or intercessor at the lectern or pulpit and to consume communion.
- Masks will be provided, if you forget yours.
- All greetings, the Peace, and conversations must be physically distanced.
- We will not have paper bulletins. You will need a mobile device or print at home.
- There will be a collection basket at the entrance of the Nave, if you would like to bring your offering.
- You are welcome to be in the parking lot and stream the service - one of the clergy will bring you communion at the end of the service.
- There is no singing inside the building.

Entrance:

- Enter the church building through the Main doors.
- Please sanitize your hands before entering the building.
- Please do not touch door knobs or handles
- Please be seated on one of the numbered seats. You will need to remain there for the entirety of service, unless you are a reader.
- We require you to maintain good physical distancing, at 6-feet distance from others.
- We will be making note of who is present at worship in case we need to do contact tracing.

Restroom:

- **Restrooms** are available in the Parish Hall. The restrooms are for one-at-a time use, please wait for the previous person to exit.
- Please only touch the surfaces that are necessary and wipe them with a disinfecting wipe afterward.

Holy Eucharist:

- **Please see instructions below.**

Exit:

- Leave the Nave through the center doors and make your way out the front doors.
- There can be no lingering in the Narthex.

The Liturgy of the Word

Organ Prelude

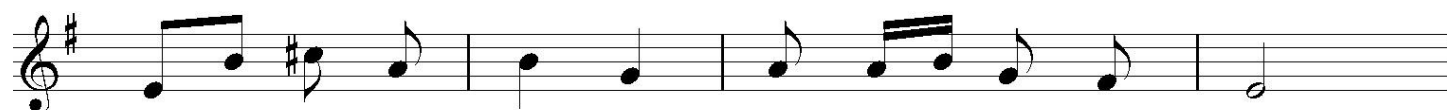
Please stand as you are able.

Opening Hymn #204

Now the green blade riseth, v. 1&2



1 Now the green blade ris - eth from the bur - ied grain,
2 In the grave they laid him, Love whom hate had slain,
3 Forth he came at Eas - ter, like the ris - en grain,
4 When our hearts are win - try, griev - ing, or in pain,



wheat that in dark earth man - y days has lain;
think - ing that nev - er he would wake a - gain,
he that for three days in the grave had lain,
thy touch can call us back to life a - gain,



love lives a - gain, that with the dead has been:
laid in the earth like grain that sleeps un - seen:
quick from the dead my ris - en Lord is seen:
fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been:

Refrain



Love is come a - gain like wheat that spring - eth green.

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Opening Proclamation

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People: **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

Collect for Purity

Celebrant: 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.

People: *Amen.*

Gloria

*Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to God's people on earth.*

*Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.*

*Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;*

*you are seated at the right hand
of the Father: receive our prayer.*

*For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.*

Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: *And also with you.*

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People: *Amen.*

Please be seated.

The First Lesson

10:44-48

Reader: A reading from the book of Acts of the Apostles.

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, "Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

The Psalm

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Reader: Let us say the psalm responsively by half verse.

Sing to the Lord a new song, *

for he has done marvelous things.

With his right hand and his holy arm *
has he won for himself the victory.

The Lord has made known his victory; *
*his righteousness has he openly shown in
the sight of the nations.*

He remembers his mercy and faithfulness
to the house of Israel, *
*and all the ends of the earth have seen the
victory of our God.*

Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands; *
lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.

Sing to the Lord with the harp, *
with the harp and the voice of song.

With trumpets and the sound of the horn
shout with joy before the King, the Lord.

Let the sea make a noise and all that is in
it, *
the lands and those who dwell therein.

Let the rivers clap their hands, *
*and let the hills ring out with joy before the
Lord,
when he comes to judge the earth.*

In righteousness shall he judge the world
and the peoples with equity.

The Second Lesson

1 John 5:1-6

Reader: A reading from the first letter of John.

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Musical Gospel Acclamation

Please stand as you are able.

The Gospel

15:9-17

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People: *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Deacon: Jesus said to his disciples, "As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said

these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

“This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.”

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

Please stand as you are able.

The Creed

*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 who is
worshiped and glorified.
Who 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.

Prayers of the People

Leader: The Lord has done marvelous things. So let us boldly pray, saying, “We lift up our voices to you: *Holy Spirit, fall upon us.*”

Leader: Loving Parent, you have chosen us to be members of your Church: help us to obey what you command: help us to love one another as you love us. We lift up our voices to you:

People: *Holy Spirit, fall upon us.*

Leader: Loving Parent, you have openly shown your righteousness in the sight of the nations: we pray you judge the people of the world according to your righteousness, not according to our ignorance or folly. This morning we pray for the people of Fort Dauphin in the Diocese of Toliara, Madagascar. We lift up our voices to you:

People: *Holy Spirit, fall upon us.*

Leader: Loving Parent, the rivers clap their hands and the hills ring out with joy before you: open our eyes to recognize your gracious hand in all your works. We lift up our voices to you:

People: *Holy Spirit, fall upon us.*

Leader: Loving Parent, Jesus taught us that no one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends: bless the first responders who consistently risk their health and lives for friends and strangers. We lift up our voices to you:

People: *Holy Spirit, fall upon us.*

Leader: Loving Parent, you always remember your mercy and faithfulness to your people: we ask you, in Jesus’ name, to heal and comfort those for whom we pray at this time. Today we pray for *Bishop-elect Paula; Rob; Greg, Joe, Helene; Marsha; John; Garry; Cindy; Jewell; Gen; Juan; Alex and Natalie; Charlie; Courtney; Jeff, Caryn, Missy, and Jessie; and the people served by Sunrise Assisted Living and PADS.*

You are invited to say aloud or offer silently your own prayers for those in need.

We lift up our voices to you:

People: *Holy Spirit, fall upon us.*

Leader: For all those who serve in the Armed Forces, including *Liam Mellen, Chad VanHorn, Christopher Pavy, Nick Unda, Ian Pocklington, Ethan Pocklington, Christopher Froelich, Karl Mohrmann, Trish Hull, and Clay Anderson.* We lift up our voices to you:

People: *Holy Spirit, fall upon us.*

Leader: Let us join in rejoicing with those who celebrate birthdays and anniversaries, including *Diane Leath (5/15) and Geoff and Cindy Pullinger (5/11).*

You are invited to say aloud or offer silently your own thanksgivings for celebrations in your life.

We lift up our voices to you:

People: *Holy Spirit, fall upon us.*

Leader: Loving Parent, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: may we, with those who have died, abide in your love forever. This morning we remember *Dolly Huesing* (5/12/2007).

You are invited to say aloud or offer silently your own prayers for those who have died.

We lift up our voices to you:

People: *Holy Spirit, fall upon us.*

Celebrant: Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles, "Peace I give to you; my own peace I leave with you:" Regard not our brokenness, but the faith of your Church, and give to us the peace and unity of that heavenly City, where with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, now and forever.

People: *Amen.*

The Peace

Celebrant: Dear friends in Christ, the peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: *And also with you.*

After you have greeted others, please have a seat.

Offertory

Celebrant and People say together,

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,

Praise God all creatures here below.

Praise God above ye heavenly host,

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Musical Offertory

The Holy Communion

Please stand as you are able.

The Great Thanksgiving

Enriching Our Worship 1, Prayer 1

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: *And also with you.*

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: *We lift them to the Lord.*

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: *It is right to give God thanks and praise.*

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy, but chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life. Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we say:

Holy, holy, holy Lord.

God of power and might.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosannah in the highest!

Blessed is the one who comes

in the Name of the Lord

Hosannah in the highest!

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love.

Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people. Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation.

Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life. On the night before he died for us, our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world.

Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with the ever-blessed Virgin Mary and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name forever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever.

People: *Amen!*

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant: And now as our savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:
 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

Celebrant: The disciples knew the Lord Jesus in the breaking of the bread. The bread which we break is the communion of the body of Christ. Alleluia.

People: *We are one body because we share one bread and one cup. Alleluia.*

Invitation to Communion

Celebrant: These are the gifts of God and we are the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts with thanksgiving.

Receiving Communion

You're Invited: *This is Jesus' table; he made no restrictions, and neither do we.*

Host: *Our communion is by wafer. The priest will place the wafer in your hand.*

Wine: *Take a cup and after you have consumed the wine, put it in the glass container by the lectern. You also may abstain from receiving the wine.*

Gluten: *Gluten-free wafers are available. Ask the priest for one when you come up.*

Spiritual Communion

The Book of Common Prayer reminds us that if one is unable to actually consume the consecrated bread and wine due to extreme sickness or disability, the desire is enough for God to grant all the benefits of

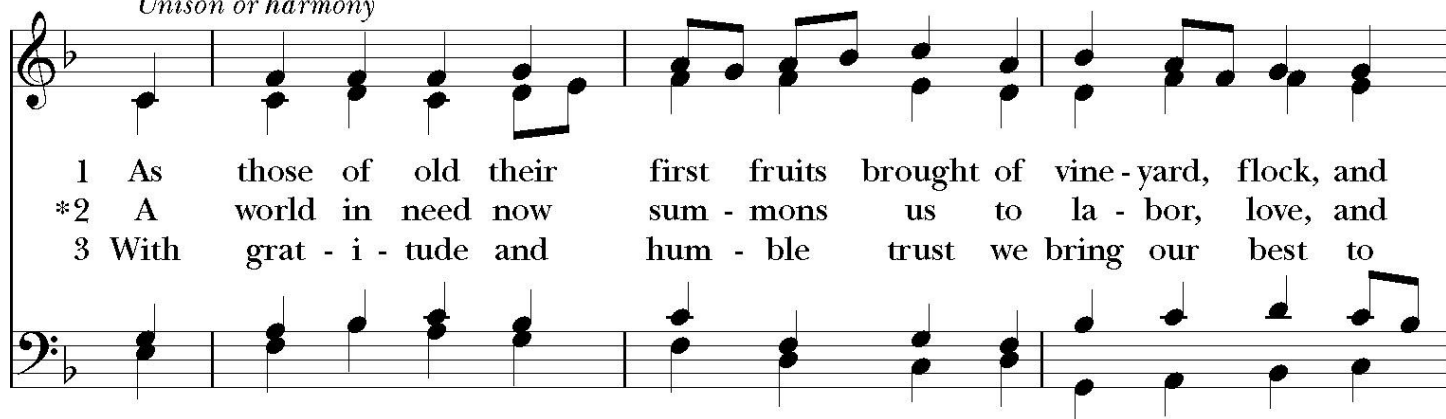
communion (p. 457). When being present at a celebration of the Eucharist is absolutely impossible, this act of prayer and meditation can provide the means by which you can associate yourself with the Eucharistic Action and open yourself to God's grace and blessing. (Borrowed from our friends in Christ at St. Peter's, Chicago and *The St. Augustine's Prayer Book*)

People: Gracious God, I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving. I believe that you are present in the Bread and Wine of the Holy Sacrament. And since I cannot now receive you in the Sacrament, I ask you to come into my heart. I unite myself with you and embrace you with all the affections of my soul. Let me never be separated from you. Let me live and die in your love. Amen.

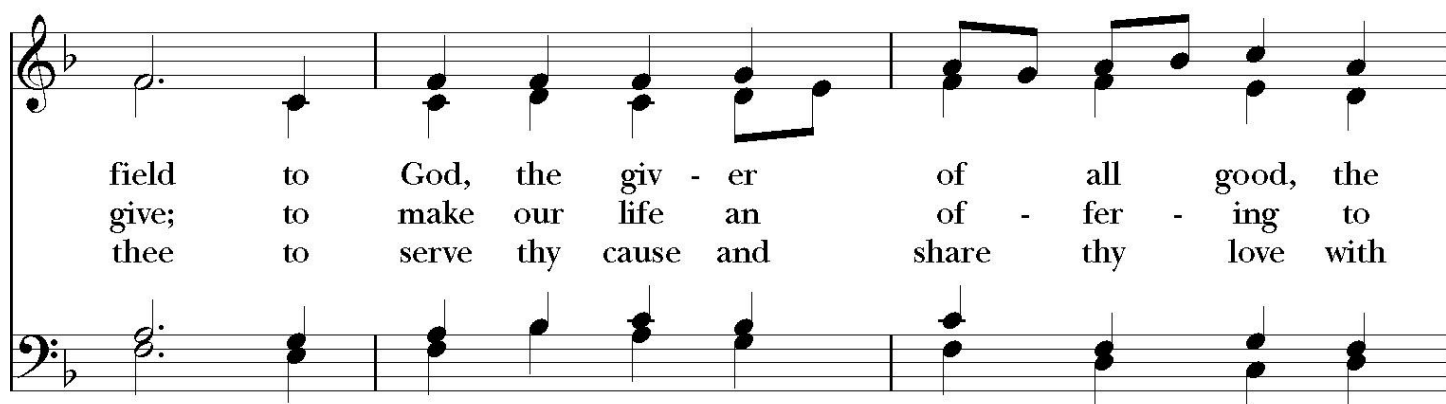
Communion Hymn #705

As those of old their first fruits, v. 1&3

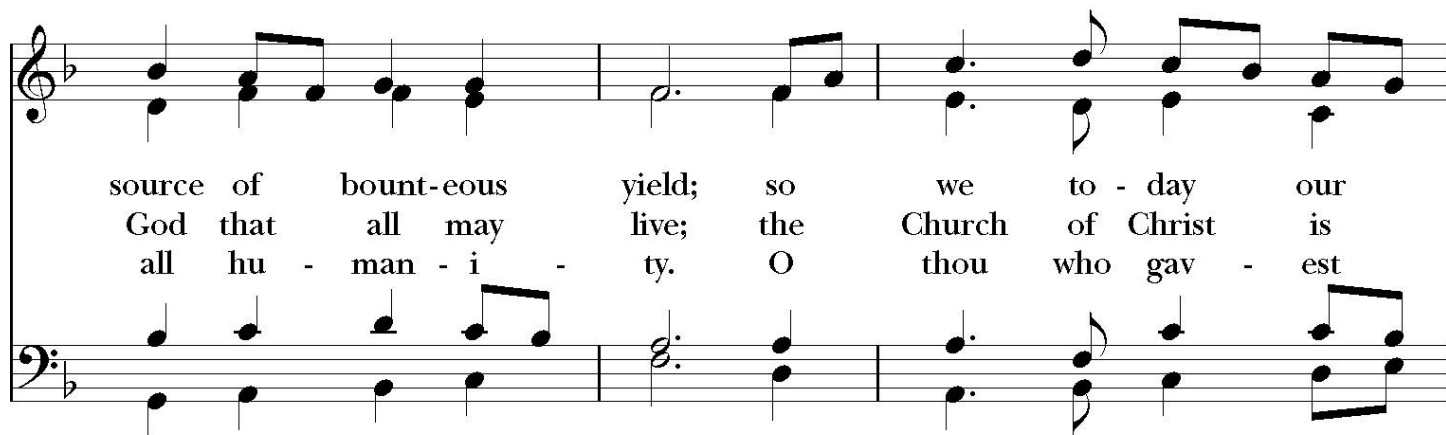
Unison or harmony




1 As those of old their first fruits brought of vine-yard, flock, and
*2 A world in need now sum - mons us to la - bor, love, and
3 With grat - i - tude and hum - ble trust we bring our best to



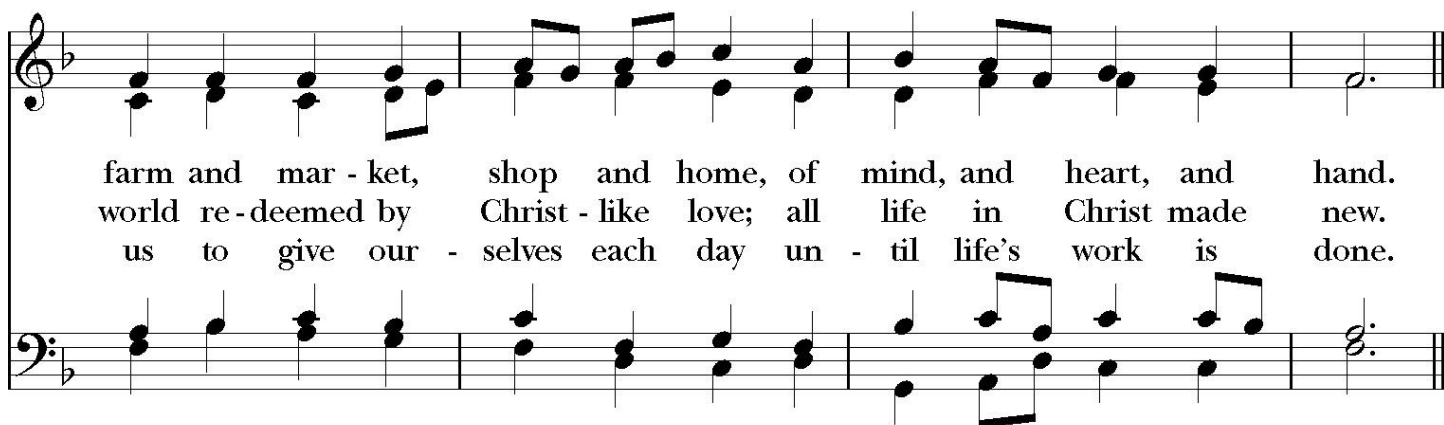
field to God, the giv - er of all good, the
give; to make our life an of - fer - ing to
thee to serve thy cause and share thy love with



source of bount-eous yield; so we to - day our
God that all may live; the Church of Christ is
all hu - man - i - ty. O thou who gav - est



first fruits bring, the wealth of this good land, of
call - ing us to make the dream come true: a
us thys - elf in Je - sus Christ thy Son, help



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Sending Forth of Eucharistic Visitors

*The Deacon sends parishioners to bring Communion and companionship to the sick and homebound.
This morning we have parishioners who will lead the service at Sunrise Assisted Living Center.*

Postcommunion Prayer

Celebrant: Let us pray.
You're invited to stand or kneel, as able.

People: *God of abundance,
you have fed us with the bread of life
and the cup of salvation;
you have united us with Christ and one another;
and you have made us one
with all your people in heaven and on earth.
Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit,
that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world
and continue for ever in the risen life
of Christ our Savior. Amen.*

Blessing

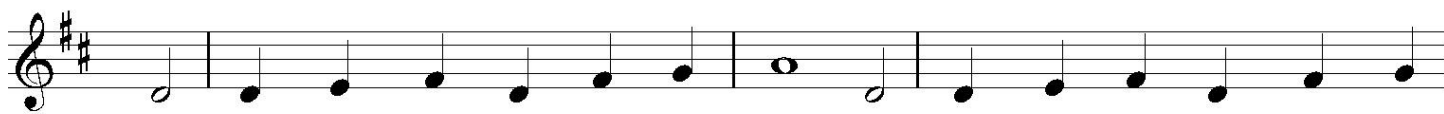
Celebrant: The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.

People: *Amen.*

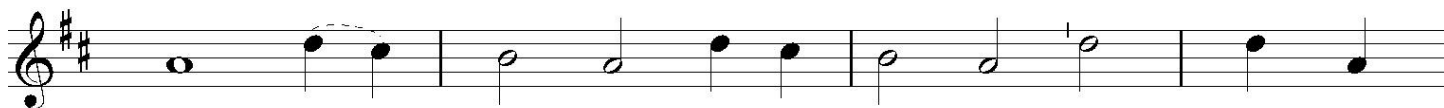
Welcome & Announcements

Closing Hymn #400

All creatures of our God and King, v. 1&7



- 1 All crea - tures of our God and King, lift up your voic - es, let us
 *2 Great rush - ing winds and breez - es soft, you clouds that ride the heavens a -
 *3 Swift flow - ing wa - ter, pure and clear, make mu - sic for your Lord to
 4 Dear mo - ther earth, you day by day un - fold your bless - ings on our
 5 All you with mer - cy in your heart, for - giv - ing o - thers, take your
 *6 And ev - en you, most gen - tle death, wait - ing to hush our fi - nal
 7 Let all things their cre - a - tor bless, and wor - ship him in hum - ble -

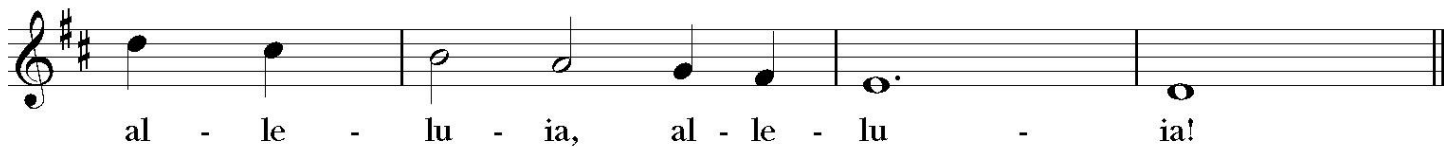
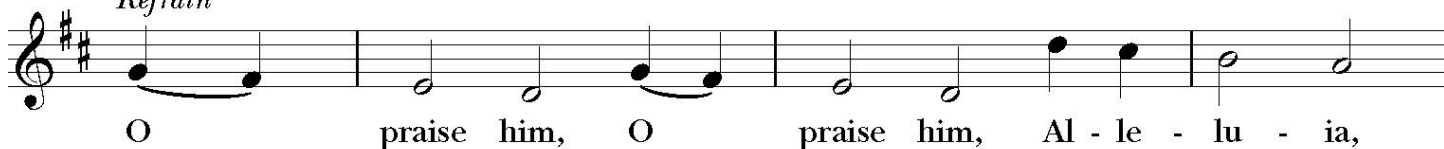


- 1 sing: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Bright burn - ing
 2 loft, O___ praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! Fair ris - ing
 3 hear, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Fire, so in -
 4 way, O___ praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! All flowers and
 5 part, O___ sing now: Al - le - lu - ia! All you that
 6 breath, O___ praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! You lead back
 7 ness, O___ praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! Praise God the



- 1 sun with gold - en beams, pale sil - ver moon that gen - tly gleams,
 2 morn, with praise re - joice, stars night - ly shin - ing, find a voice,
 3 tense and fierce - ly bright, you give to us both warmth and light,
 4 fruits that in you grow, let them his glo - ry al - so show:
 5 pain and sor - row bear, praise God, and cast on him your care:
 6 home the child of God, for Christ our Lord that way has trod:
 7 Fa - ther, praise the Son, and praise the Spi - rit, Three in One:

Refrain



The refrain may be sung antiphonally, by phrase; all join in the final Alleluia.

The Dismissal

Deacon: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

People: *Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

Organ Postlude

9:00 Ministers

Crucifer

1st Reader &

Psalm

Barb McNeill

2nd Reader

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