

**+ ST. PETER AND ST. PAUL, APOSTLES +**  
**Divine Service Setting One ~ Pg 151**  
**June 29, 2025**

**As We Gather: *St. Peter and St. Paul, Apostles***

Jesus is “*the Christ, the Son of the living God.*” So confessed St. Peter. And Christ promised to build His Church on it by the forgiveness of sins (Matt. 16:16–19). He does this so we don’t try to build the Church ourselves, on this or that person, or by any human means. “*Let no one boast in men ... whether Paul or Apollos or Cephas,*” for “*all are yours, and you are Christ’s, and Christ is God’s*” (1 Cor. 3:21–23). The same Lord “*who worked through Peter ... worked also through*” Paul and is still at work in His Gospel and Sacraments (Gal. 2:7–8). The Church of every age must be recalled to “*hear the word of the gospel*” — the free forgiveness of sins for Christ’s sake apart from the Law — “*and believe.*” The Holy Spirit makes “*no distinction*” among men, but cleanses “*hearts by faith*” alone. So “*we will be saved through the grace of the Lord Jesus*” (Acts 15:7–11). Both were imprisoned (Acts 12:1–11), both wrote Scripture (2 Peter 3:15–16), both opposed the world — and sometimes each other (Gal. 2:11–16) — all so “*that the truth of the gospel might be preserved*” for us (Gal. 2:5).

*As the Cross, a symbol of our redemption, enters the sanctuary, God’s people stand and fix our eyes upon it.*

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

**Invocation**

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**Exhortation**

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**P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**C** But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

*Silence for reflection on God’s Word and for self-examination.*

**Confession of Sins**

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**P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**C** Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we

have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

## Absolution

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**P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

## Opening Hymn 'Built on the Rock'

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1 Built on the Rock the Church shall stand E - ven when  
 2 Sure - ly in tem - ples made with hands God, the Most  
 3 We are God's house of liv - ing stones, Built for His  
 4 Here stands the font be - fore our eyes, Tell - ing how  
 5 Grant, then, O God, Your will be done, That, when the



stee - ples are fall - ing. Crum - bled have spires in  
 High, is not dwell - ing; High a - bove earth His  
 own hab - i - ta - tion. He through bap - tis - mal  
 God has re - ceived us. The al - tar re - calls Christ's  
 church bells are ring - ing, Man - y in sav - ing




ev - 'ry land; Bells still are chim - ing and call -  
 tem - ple stands, All earth - ly tem - ples ex - cel -  
 grace us owns Heirs of His won - drous sal - va -  
 sac - ri - fice And what His Sup - per here gives  
 faith may come Where Christ His mes - sage is bring -



ing, Call - ing the young and old to rest,  
 ling. Yet He who dwells in heav'n a - bove  
 tion. Were we but two His name to tell,  
 us. Here sound the Scrip - tures that pro - claim  
 ing: "I know My own; My own know Me.



But a - bove all the souls dis - tressed,  
 Choos - es to live with us in love,  
 Yet He would deign with us to dwell  
 Christ yes - ter - day, to - day, the same,  
 You, not the world, My face shall see.

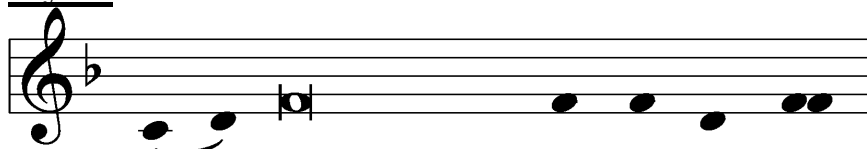


Long - ing for rest ev - er - last - ing.  
 Mak - ing our bod - ies His tem - ple.  
 With all His grace and His fa - vor.  
 And ev - er - more, our Re - deem - er.  
 My peace I leave with you. A - men."

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## Kyrie

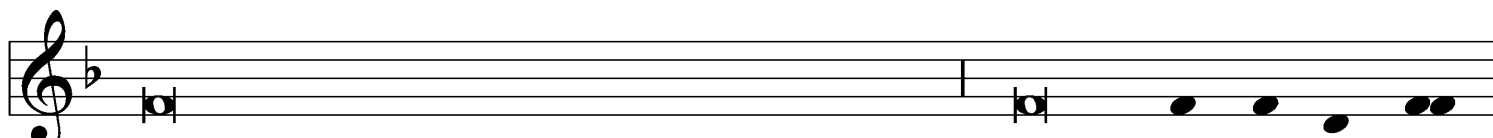
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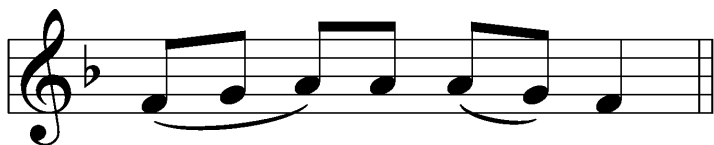
**A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.



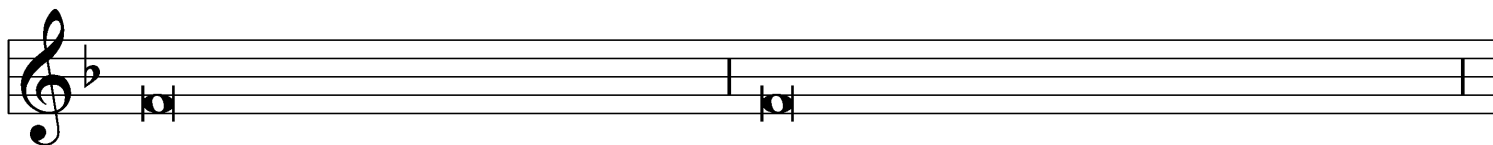
**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



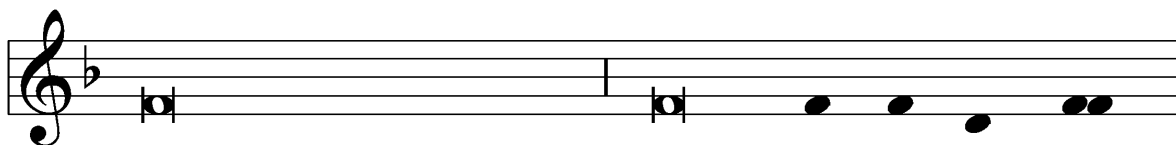
**A** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



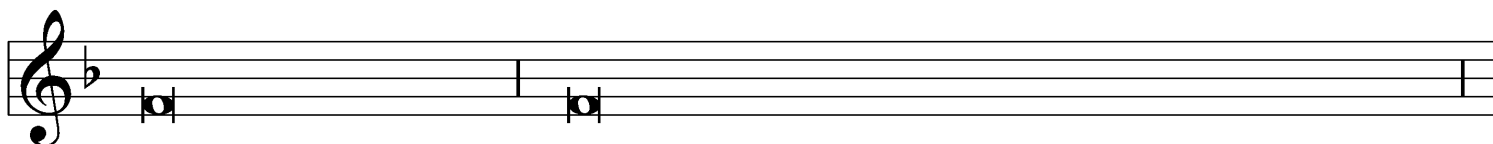
**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



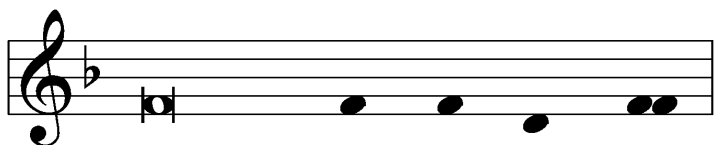
and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



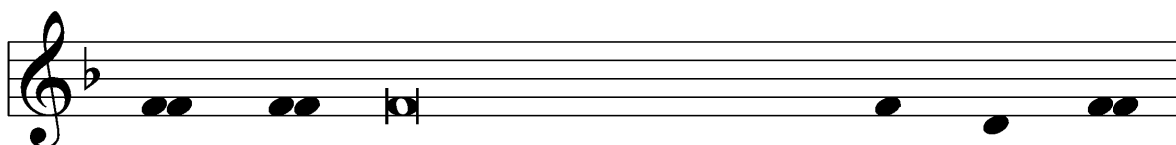
**A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



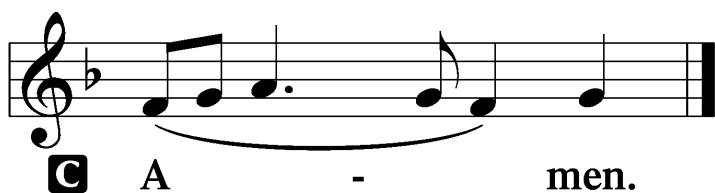
let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

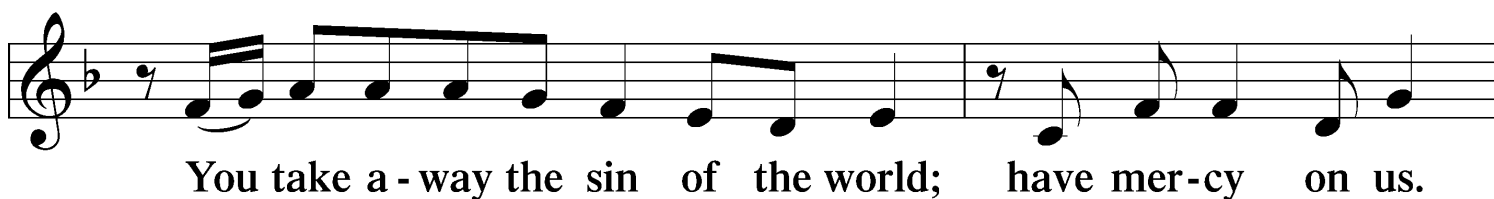
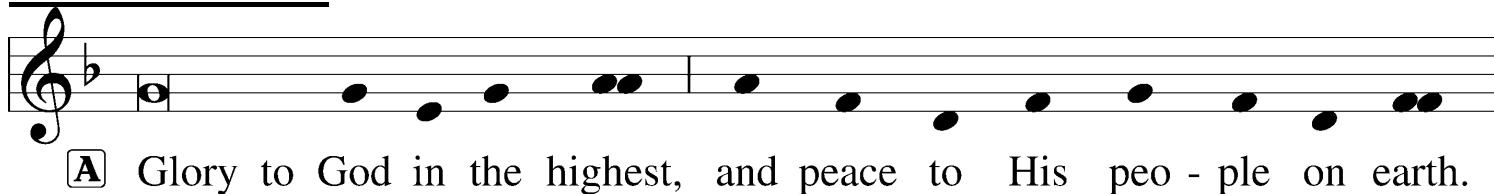


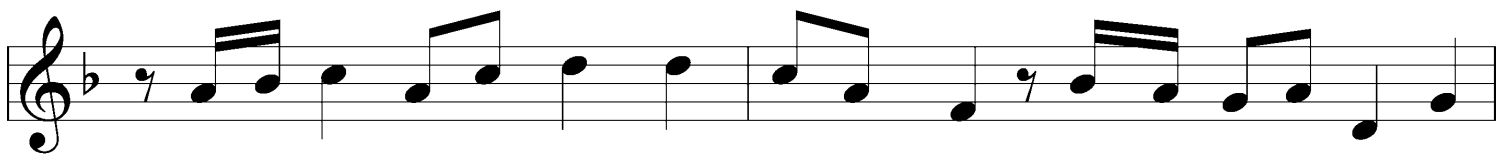
**A** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



## Gloria in Excelsis

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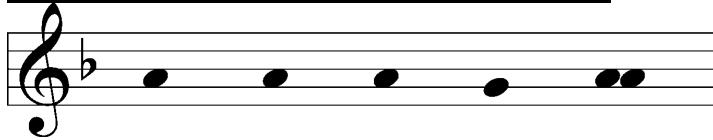
You a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

### Salutation and Collect of the Day

*Peter and Paul*



**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And al - so with you.

**P** Let us pray.

Merciful and eternal God, Your holy apostles Peter and Paul received grace and strength to lay down their lives for the sake of Your Son. Strengthen us by Your Holy Spirit that we may confess Your truth and at all times be ready to lay down our lives for Him who laid down His life for us, even Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

*Please be seated.*

### First Reading

*Acts 15:1-21*

<sup>1</sup>But some men came down from Judea and were teaching the brothers, “Unless you are circumcised according to the custom of Moses, you cannot be saved.” <sup>2</sup>And after Paul and Barnabas had no small dissension and debate with them, Paul and Barnabas and some of the others were appointed to go up to Jerusalem to the apostles and the elders about this question. <sup>3</sup>So, being sent on their way by the church, they passed through both Phoenicia and Samaria, describing in detail the conversion of the Gentiles, and brought great joy to

all the brothers. <sup>4</sup>When they came to Jerusalem, they were welcomed by the church and the apostles and the elders, and they declared all that God had done with them. <sup>5</sup>But some believers who belonged to the party of the Pharisees rose up and said, “It is necessary to circumcise them and to order them to keep the law of Moses.”

<sup>6</sup>The apostles and the elders were gathered together to consider this matter. <sup>7</sup>And after there had been much debate, Peter stood up and said to them, “Brothers, you know that in the early days God made a choice among you, that by my mouth the Gentiles should hear the word of the gospel and believe. <sup>8</sup>And God, who knows the heart, bore witness to them, by giving them the Holy Spirit just as he did to us, <sup>9</sup>and he made no distinction between us and them, having cleansed their hearts by faith. <sup>10</sup>Now, therefore, why are you putting God to the test by placing a yoke on the neck of the disciples that neither our fathers nor we have been able to bear? <sup>11</sup>But we believe that we will be saved through the grace of the Lord Jesus, just as they will.”

<sup>12</sup>And all the assembly fell silent, and they listened to Barnabas and Paul as they related what signs and wonders God had done through them among the Gentiles. <sup>13</sup>After they finished speaking, James replied, “Brothers, listen to me. <sup>14</sup>Simeon has related how God first visited the Gentiles, to take from them a people for his name. <sup>15</sup>And with this the words of the prophets agree, just as it is written,

<sup>16</sup>“After this I will return,  
and I will rebuild the tent of David that has fallen;  
I will rebuild its ruins,  
and I will restore it,  
<sup>17</sup>that the remnant of mankind may seek the Lord,  
and all the Gentiles who are called by my name,  
says the Lord, who makes these things <sup>18</sup>known from of old.’

<sup>19</sup>Therefore my judgment is that we should not trouble those of the Gentiles who turn to God, <sup>20</sup>but should write to them to abstain from the things polluted by idols, and from sexual immorality, and from what has been strangled, and from blood. <sup>21</sup>For from ancient generations Moses has had in every city those who proclaim him, for he is read every Sabbath in the synagogues.”

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**Introit** *Psalm 89:1, 5, 15–16; antiphon: Psalm 119:46*

I will speak of your testimonies before kings, | [O Lord,]\*  
and shall not be | put to shame.

**I will sing of the steadfast love of the LORD, for- | ever;\***  
**with my mouth I will make known your faithfulness to all gener- | ations.**

Let the heavens praise your wonders, | O LORD,\*  
your faithfulness in the assembly of the | holy ones!  
**Blessèd are the people who know the | festal shout,\***  
**who walk, O LORD, in the light | of your face,**  
who exult in your name | all the day\*  
and in your righteousness are ex- | alted.  
**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\***  
**and to the Holy | Spirit;**  
**as it was in the be- | ginning,\***  
**is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**  
I will speak of your testimonies before kings, | [O Lord,]\*  
and shall not be | put to shame.

## **Epistle**

*Galatians 2:1–10*

<sup>1</sup>Then after fourteen years I went up again to Jerusalem with Barnabas, taking Titus along with me. <sup>2</sup>I went up because of a revelation and set before them (though privately before those who seemed influential) the gospel that I proclaim among the Gentiles, in order to make sure I was not running or had not run in vain. <sup>3</sup>But even Titus, who was with me, was not forced to be circumcised, though he was a Greek. <sup>4</sup>Yet because of false brothers secretly brought in—who slipped in to spy out our freedom that we have in Christ Jesus, so that they might bring us into slavery—<sup>5</sup>to them we did not yield in submission even for a moment, so that the truth of the gospel might be preserved for you. <sup>6</sup>And from those who seemed to be influential (what they were makes no difference to me; God shows no partiality)—those, I say, who seemed influential added nothing to me. <sup>7</sup>On the contrary, when they saw that I had been entrusted with the gospel to the uncircumcised, just as Peter had been entrusted with the gospel to the circumcised <sup>8</sup>(for he who worked through Peter for his apostolic ministry to the circumcised worked also through me for mine to the Gentiles), <sup>9</sup>and when James and Cephas and John, who seemed to be pillars, perceived the grace that was given to me, they gave the right hand of fellowship to Barnabas and me, that we should go to the Gentiles and they to the circumcised. <sup>10</sup>Only, they asked us to remember the poor, the very thing I was eager to do.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Please stand as you are able.*





Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

**Holy Gospel***Matthew 16:13–19*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the sixteenth chapter.



**C** Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

<sup>13</sup>Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that the Son of Man is?” <sup>14</sup>And they said, “Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.” <sup>15</sup>He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” <sup>16</sup>Simon Peter replied, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.” <sup>17</sup>And Jesus answered him, “Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven. <sup>18</sup>And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. <sup>19</sup>I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

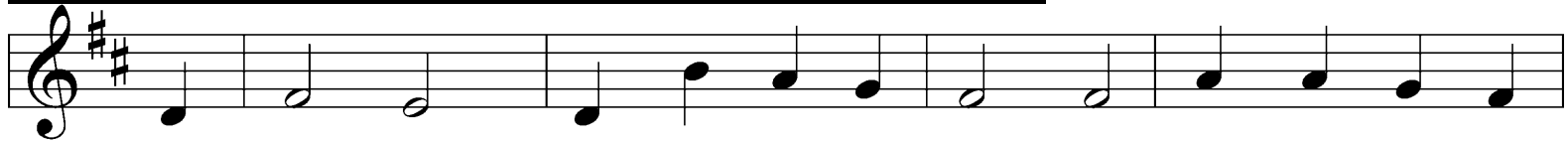


**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

*Please be seated.*

# Hymn of the Day 'Lord Jesus Christ, the Church's Head'

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1 Lord Je - sus Christ, the Church's head, You are her one foun -  
 2 O Lord, let this Your lit - tle flock, Your name a - lone con -  
 3 Help us to serve You ev - er - more With hearts both pure and  
 4 And for Your Gos - pel let us dare To sac - ri - fice all



da - tion; In You she trusts, be - fore You bows, And  
 fess - ing, Con - tin - ue in Your lov - ing care, True  
 low - ly; And may Your Word, that light di - vine, Shine  
 trea - sure; Teach us to bear Your bless - ed cross, To



waits for Your sal - va - tion. Built on this rock se - cure,  
 u - ni - ty pos - sess - ing. Your sac - ra - ments, O Lord,  
 on in splen - dor ho - ly That we re - pen - tance show,  
 find in You all plea - sure. O grant us stead - fast - ness



Your Church shall en - dure Though all the world de -  
 And Your sav - ing Word To us, Lord, pure re -  
 In faith ev - er grow; The pow'r of sin de -  
 In joy and dis - tress, Lest we, Lord, You for -



cay And all things pass a - way.  
 tain. Grant that they may re - main  
 stroy And e - vils that an - noy.  
 sake. Let us by grace par - take



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## **Sermon**

*Please stand as you are able.*

## **Apostles' Creed**

**☩ I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.  
The third day He rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life ✝ everlasting. Amen.**

## **Prayer of the Church**

**☩ Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.**

Heavenly Father, give us grace that we would daily read and treasure Your Word and put it into practice. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.

**P** O God, look kindly on our congregation. Keep us from indifference to Your Word and mission, and strengthen us to be a people who ever hold Your Word sacred and gladly hear and learn it. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.

**P** Lord of the Church, we bless You for the ministry of Your apostles Peter and Paul. Through their faithful witness unto death, they proclaimed Your Gospel without wavering, leading many to Christ. Help us to love You above all others, that even under threat of death, we may confess Your saving name and endure to the end. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.

**P** Almighty God, look favorably on our nation. Remember our president and all in authority. Grant them wisdom to meet the challenges before them faithfully and skillfully. Bless those who serve in our armed forces, that they would do so with honor and courage under Your protection. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.

**P** Gracious God, have compassion on those in need of healing [*especially* \_\_\_\_\_]. Grant such healing, according to Your will, and give them patience to bear their afflictions with grace and trust in Your unfailing love. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.

**P** Gracious God, at Your altar You give us a foretaste of the feast to come. Grant that, participating in the Holy Eucharist, we would partake of the very joy and peace of heaven and yearn to taste it evermore. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.


**P** All these things and whatever else You know that we need, grant us, Father, for the sake of Him who died and rose again and now lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God forever.

**C** Amen.

*Following the prayers, the people may greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "Peace be with you," as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Matt. 5:22–24; Eph. 4:1–3).*

## **Offertory**

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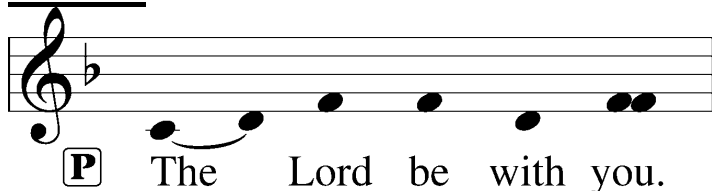


**C** What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to  
me? I will of - fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv - ing and will  
call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-  
va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my  
vows to the Lord now in the pres - ence of all His peo-ple, in the  
courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

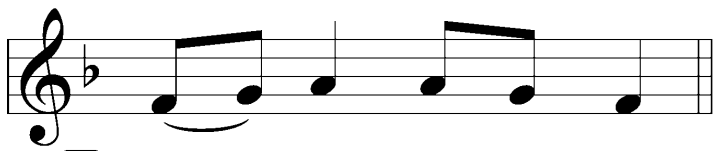
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## **Preface**

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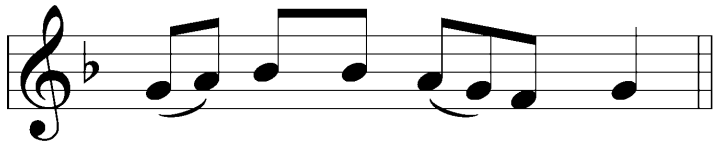
**P** The Lord be with you.



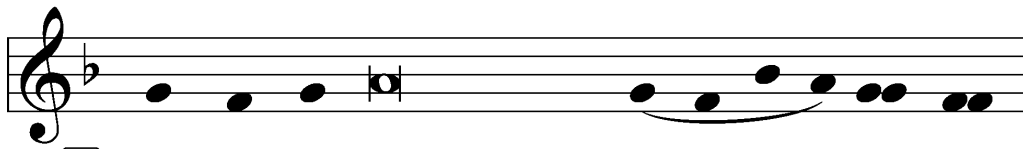
**C** And al - so with you.



**P** Lift up your hearts.



**C** We lift them to the Lord.



**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



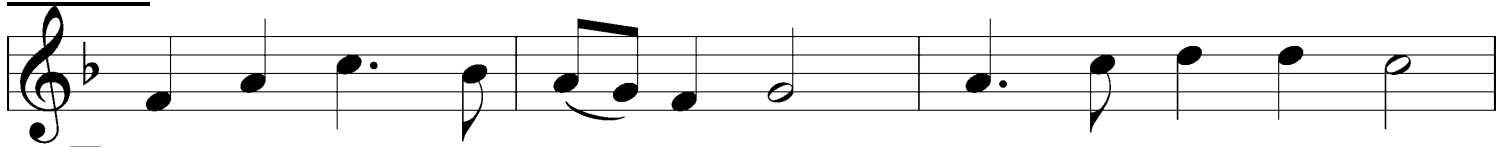
**C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

### **Proper Preface (Full)**

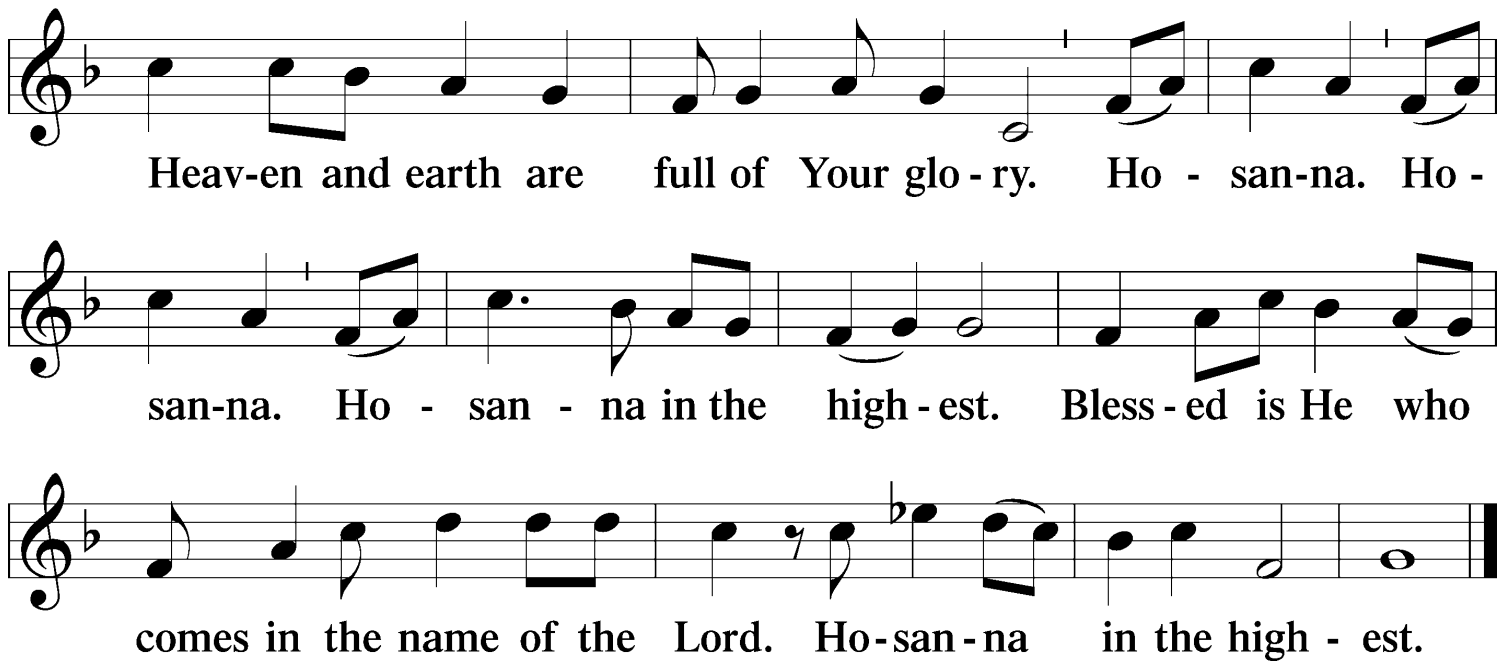
**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God; for You have mightily governed and protected Your holy Church, in which the blessed apostles and evangelists proclaimed Your divine and saving Gospel. Therefore with patriarchs and prophets, apostles and evangelists, with Your servants Peter and Paul, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

### **Sanctus**

*LSB 161*



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:



### **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

*LSB 161*

**P** Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

### **The Words of Our Lord**

**P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: “Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

## Proclamation of Christ

**P** As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

**C** Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

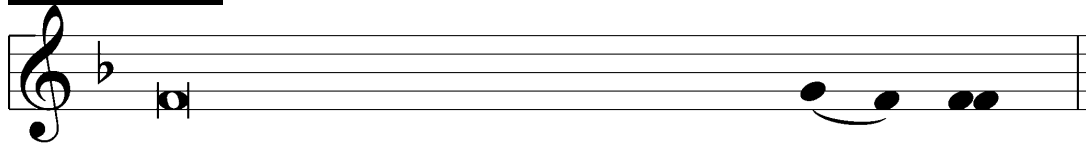
**P** O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

## Lord's Prayer

**C** 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.

## Pax Domini

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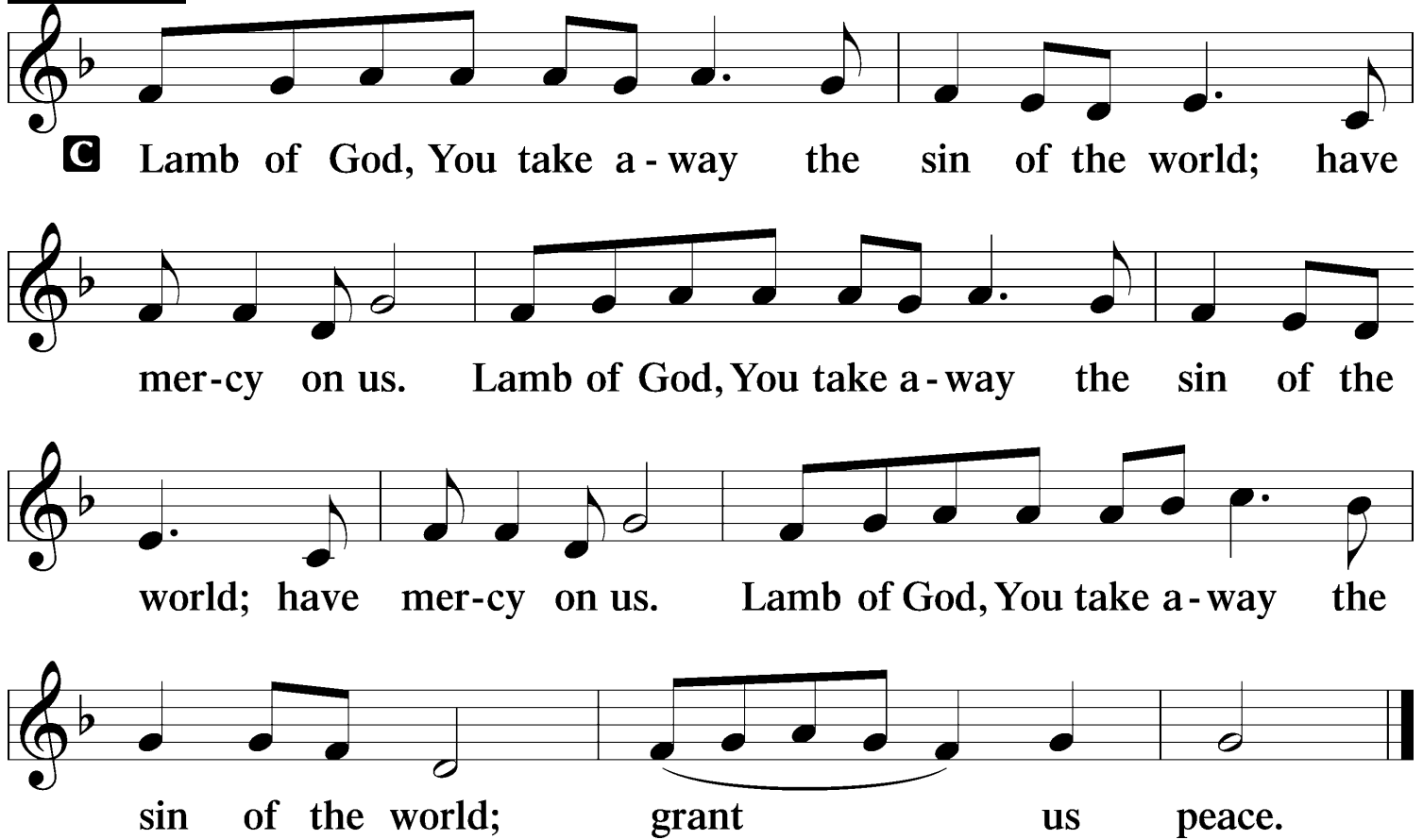


**P** The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



**C** A - men.

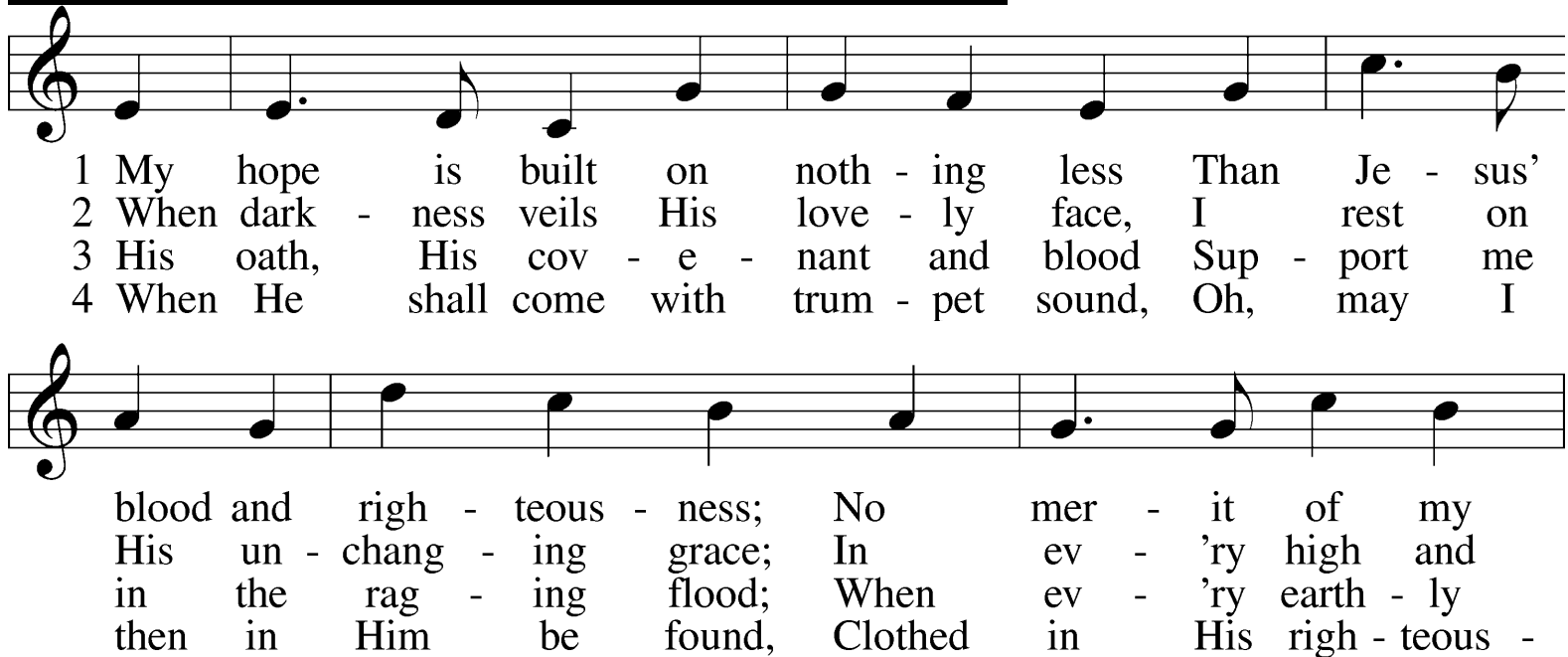




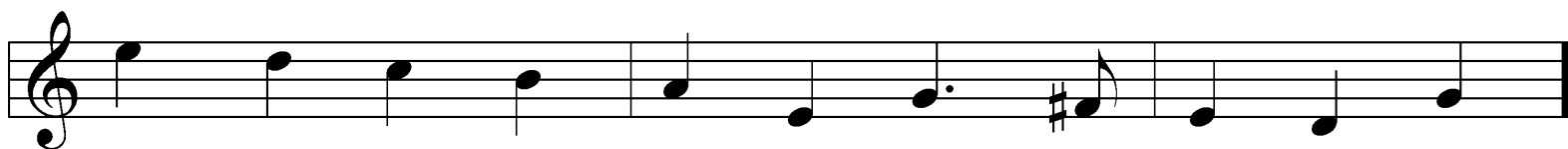
**C** Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the  
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace.

*Please be seated.*

**Distribution Hymn 'My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less'**



1 My hope is built on noth - ing less Than Je - sus'  
2 When dark - ness veils His love - ly face, I rest on  
3 His oath, His cov - e - nant and blood Sup - port me  
4 When He shall come with trum - pet sound, Oh, may I  
blood and righ - teous - ness; No mer - it of my  
His un - chang - ing grace; In ev - 'ry high and  
in the rag - ing flood; When ev - 'ry earth - ly  
then in Him be found, Clothed in His righ - teous -



own I claim But whol - ly lean on Je - sus' name.  
storm - y gale My an - chor holds with - in the veil.  
prop gives way, He then is all my hope and stay.  
ness a - lone, Re - deemed to stand be - fore His throne!

*Refrain*



On Christ, the sol-id rock, I stand; All oth-er ground is sink-ing sand.

*Text: Edward Mote, 1797–1874, alt.*

*Tune: John Stainer, 1840–1901*

*Text and tune: Public domain*

### Distribution Hymn ‘The Church’s One Foundation’

*LSB 644*



1 The Church's one foun - da - tion Is Je - sus Christ, her Lord;  
2 E - lect from ev - 'ry na - tion, Yet one o'er all the earth;  
3 Though with a scorn - ful won - der The world sees her op - pressed,  
4 Through toil and trib - u - la - tion And tu - mult of her war  
5 Yet she on earth has u - nion With God, the Three in One,



She is His new cre - a - tion By wa - ter and the Word.  
Her char - ter of sal - va - tion: One Lord, one faith, one birth.  
By schisms rent a - sun - der, By her - e - sies dis - tressed,  
She waits the con - sum - ma - tion Of peace for - ev - er - more  
And mys - tic sweet com - mu - nion With those whose rest is won.



From heav'n He came and sought her To be His ho - ly bride;  
One ho - ly name she bless - es, Par - takes one ho - ly food,  
Yet saints their watch are keep - ing; Their cry goes up, "How long?"  
Till with the vi - sion glo - rious Her long - ing eyes are blest,  
O bless - ed heav'n-ly cho - rus! Lord, save us by Your grace



With His own blood He bought her, And for her life He died.  
And to one hope she press - es With ev - 'ry grace en - dued.  
And soon the night of weep - ing Shall be the morn of song.  
And the great Church vic - to - rious Shall be the Church at rest.  
That we, like saints be - fore us, May see You face to face.

*Text: Samuel J. Stone, 1839–1900, alt.*

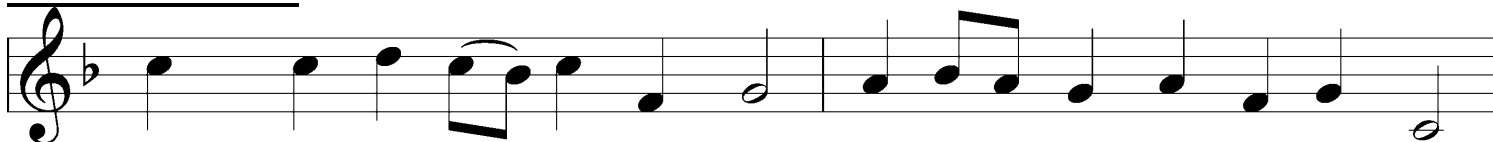
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*Please stand as you are able.*

### **Thank the Lord**

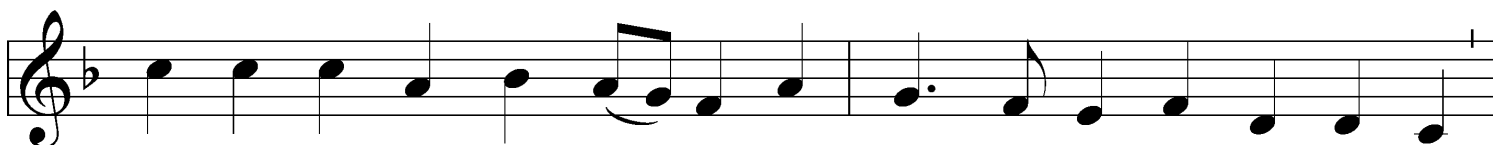
*LSB 164*



**C** Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - jice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re - calls His prom - is - es and leads His peo - ple forth in joy

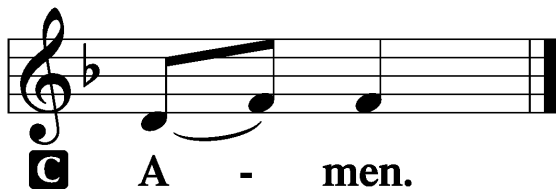


with shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

### **Post-Communion Collect**

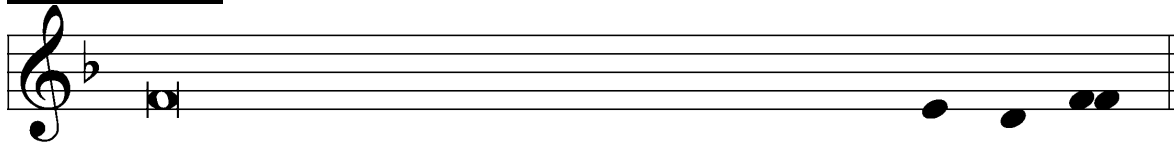
**A** Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

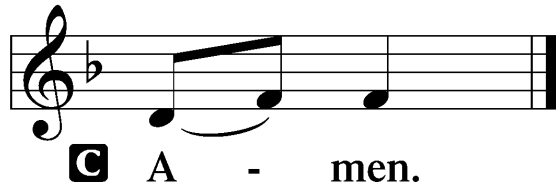


## Benediction

*LSB 166*



**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine on you  
and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.



## Closing Hymn 'Rise Again, Ye Lion-Hearted'

*TLH 470*

## Rise Again, Ye Lion-Hearted

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Rev. 2: 10

Löwen, laßt euch wiederfinden

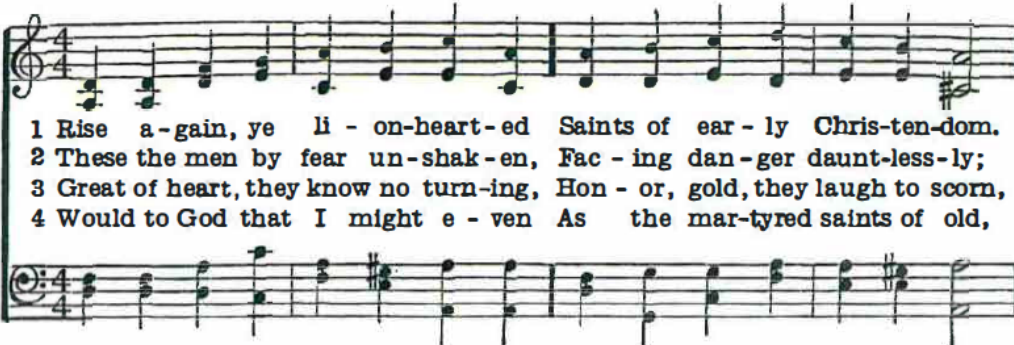
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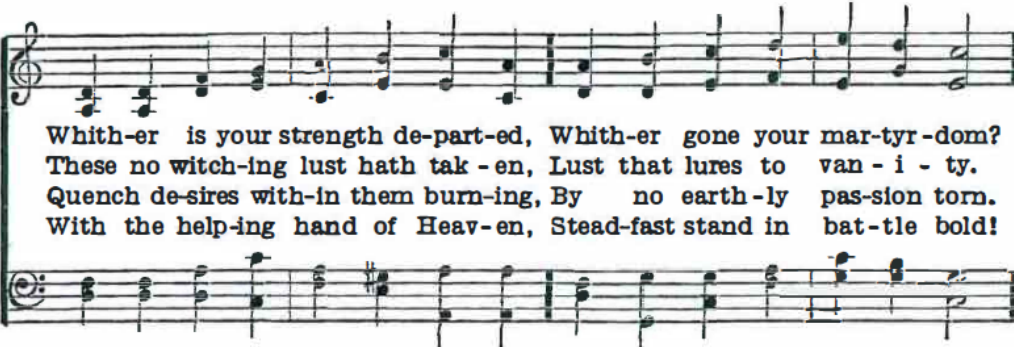
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Löwen, laßt euch wiederfinden

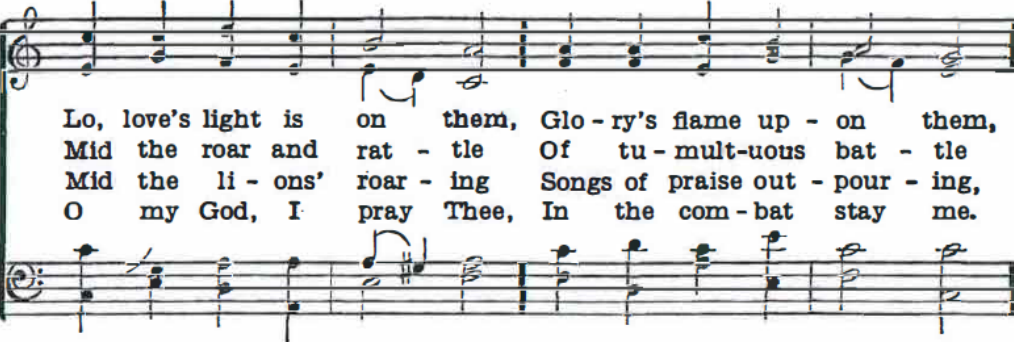
Bernhard Klein, 1817



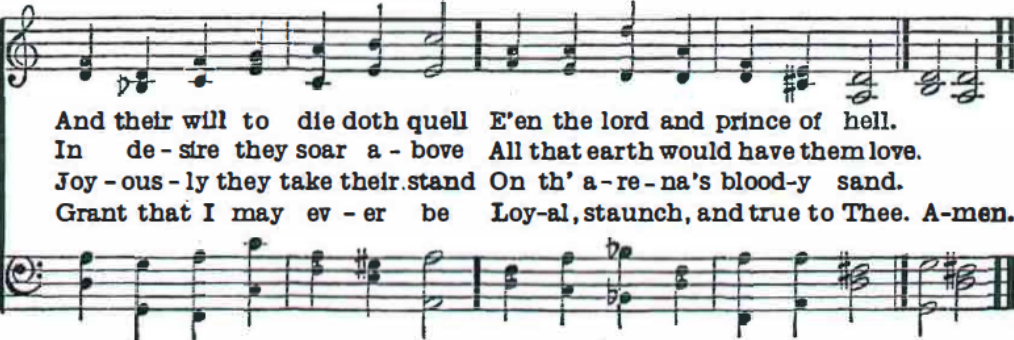
1 Rise a - gain, ye li - on - heart - ed Saints of ear - ly Chris - ten - dom.  
 2 These the men by fear un - shak - en, Fac - ing dan - ger daunt - less - ly;  
 3 Great of heart, they know no turn - ing, Hon - or, gold, they laugh to scorn,  
 4 Would to God that I might e - ven As the mar - tyred saints of old,



Whith - er is your strength de - part - ed, Whith - er gone your mar - tyr - dom?  
 These no witch - ing lust hath tak - en, Lust that lures to van - i - ty.  
 Quench de - sires with - in them burn - ing, By no earth - ly pas - sion torn.  
 With the help - ing hand of Heav - en, Stead - fast stand in bat - tle bold!



Lo, love's light is on them, Glo - ry's flame up - on them,  
 Mid the roar and rat - tle Of tu - mult - uous bat - tle  
 Mid the li - ons' roar - ing Songs of praise out - pour - ing,  
 O my God, I pray Thee, In the com - bat stay me.



And their will to die doth quell E'en the lord and prince of hell.  
 In de - sire they soar a - bove All that earth would have them love.  
 Joy - ous - ly they take their stand On th' a - re - na's blood - y sand.  
 Grant that I may ev - er be Loy - al, staunch, and true to Thee. A - men.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Guests:** Welcome! We are so glad to have you with us today! If you are visiting us for the first time, please sign our guest book, or a guest card in the pew and place in the offering plate before leaving. Please join us for fellowship after the service.

**Communion Statement:** As we learn from 1 Corinthians, when we commune together, we make a confession of our oneness in doctrine & understanding of God's Word. Since those who show publicly that they agree with the teachings believed, taught, & confessed by the Pastor & congregation at which the Sacrament is distributed, we ask that those who are not members in good standing of a congregation of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, or one of our sister churches to please refrain from partaking of the Sacrament. Instead, if you would like to receive a blessing, you are more than welcome to come to the altar rail & please indicate you would like to receive a blessing by crossing your arms in front of your chest. A list of church bodies with whom we share Altar & Pulpit fellowship is posted on the bulletin board in the hallway. If you would like to visit about this doctrine & practice, please talk to Pastor or an Elder. For further study on this matter see Matthew 5:23, 18:15-35, 26:26-39; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20 & 1 Cor. 11:17-34. Thank you.

**Loose Giving Envelopes** are available in the pews and on the entryway table for visitors and for regular churchgoers who may have forgotten their offering envelopes. Congregation members, please place your offering inside the envelope that has been designated for you. Thank you.

**We encourage members to consider electronic giving.** It is a secure and convenient way to provide consistent financial support to our church. We would love for you to get started! Pick up an authorization form on the entryway table and return to the church secretary.

**Stewardship:** *Proverbs 9:9 – “Give instruction to a wise man, and he will be still wiser; teach a righteous man, and he will increase in learning.”* We need the Lord's instruction and wisdom. We just don't know enough on our own. It seems foolish to the world that Christians drop their hard-earned money into the collection plate every week. The world just doesn't see a benefit to the preaching of the Word, the administration of the Sacraments, the sending of missionaries, or the educating of children in the faith. But from the Lord's instruction and wisdom, we know better. Giving teaches us generosity. The work of the church is the salvation of mankind, and we are blessed to be called to participate in it in this way.

**VBS needs list is on entryway table.**

**Building Healthy Families:** Someone once said you know you are Lutheran if you feel guilty about not feeling guilty enough. That's only funny because it's true! It's easy for us to hold on to guilt, but the effects of doing so are detrimental to physical, emotional and spiritual wellness. Studies show that unresolved guilt and negative thinking increase the stress hormones cortisol and adrenaline. Too many stress hormones increase heart rate, blood pressure and inflammation throughout the body. Our relationships with others and God become distant when guilt separates us. Go to the source of lasting help to be cleansed from guilt (Psalm 51, 1 John 1:5-10, Hebrews 10:19-23) and talk with your pastor or an LFS counselor if you are stuck. ~ [www.LutheranFamilyService.org](http://www.LutheranFamilyService.org)

**A Life Quote:** "As your life goes on, you will continue to see the effects of sin in the world. Your own bodies will fail with time. The world will seem to be a darker place. Loved ones will pass away. But do not be ignorant about those who have fallen asleep, the Apostle Paul encourages you. Instead, know with certainty that 'the end for you is only the end of the hardship. Life awaits you in Christ!'" *Daily Devotion, Lutheran Hour Ministries*  
~ **A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • [lutheransforlife.org](http://lutheransforlife.org)**

**Lutheran Hour Ministries for July 6th:** Hear "A Little Light, Reading" based on Job 1:8 by Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. The Book of Job is not light reading, but Christians read it in the Light of Christ. ~ **Listen next Sunday on 600 WMT at 6:30 a.m., 1190 KFJB at 8:30 a.m., WHO-1040 at 7:30 a.m.**

**A Life Thought in the Church Year:** *Sts. Peter and Paul* – The Christian reality does not assess human worth by power (Galatians 2:6), appearance (Galatians 2:9), or origin (Acts 15:7-9). From the beginning, believers insisted on loving both Jews and Gentiles. We need not accept the false dichotomy of choosing between mother's life and unborn child's. Jesus has given us a God big enough (Psalm 46:1, 8-9) to value, receive, and serve both and all.



# INVITATION TO THE 2025 LWML ~ IED SUMMER RETREAT



Praise be to the God and Father  
of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
the Father of compassion  
and the God of all comfort,  
who comforts us  
in all our troubles,  
so that we can comfort those  
in any trouble with the comfort  
we ourselves receive from God.

2 Corinthians 1:3-4

The women of the Marshalltown Zone invite you  
to join us for the Summer Retreat

**Where: Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca**  
[3271 Sandy Beach Rd NE, Solon, IA]

**When: July 18-19, 2025**

**Retreat Co-Chairs: Tammi Christensen  
and Tammy Van Haaften**

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# VBS

## God or Not God?

*"Be Watchful,  
Stand Firm in the Faith,  
Be Strong."  
1 Corinthians 16:15*

**July 21, 22, 23  
9:00am -11:00am**

**Please let the Board of Education know if any parents or grandparents plan to have their children and/or grandchildren attending so we can properly prepare. Even if they are only doing one or two of the three days, please sign-up and inform the Board of Education.**

**Registration forms are available on the entryway table at church and on our website.**

### **Calendar of Events for This Week**

Today 9:00am St. Peter and St. Paul, Apostles  
10:30am Bible Study  
Greeter: Wyckoff  
Usher: Lucas B.  
Servers: Amber B. & Kistie J.  
Acolyte/Crucifer: Sophia & Thatcher  
Elder: Joel M.  
Food Pantry Sunday

Thursday 11:00am Bible Study

Next Sunday 8:00am Elders Meeting  
9:00am Third Sunday after Trinity  
2<sup>nd</sup> Plate Missions: Orphan Grain Train  
10:30am Bible Study  
Greeter: Baker  
Usher: Keith T.  
Servers: Emily L. & Sophia L.  
Acolyte/Crucifer: Sophia & Elsie  
Elder: Joel M.