# *Time After Pentecost*
# *Welcome to Worship Today!*

***Hey there! All who are thirsty, come to the water!***
***Are you penniless?***
***Come anyway—buy and eat!***

*Come, buy your drinks, buy wine and milk.*
*Buy without money—everything's free!*
*Why do you spend your money on junk food,*
*your hard-earned cash on cotton candy?*

***Listen to me, listen well: Eat only the best, fill yourself with only the finest. Pay attention, come close now, listen carefully to my life-giving, life-nourishing words.***

*Isaiah 55: 1-2 from The Message*

## *Evangelical Lutheran Worship*
## *With Holy Communion*
## *8:00 & 9:30 am August 2, 2020*

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***Preaching:*** *Pastor Lisa Lewton &* ***Presiding:*** *Pastor Joe Natwick*

***Organist****: Cheryl Hewson*

## - Gathering -

*The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.*

PRELUDE, WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, whose steadfast love is abundant, whose faithfulness endures from generation to generation. **Amen**.

L: Trusting in the mercy of God, let us confess our sin.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (inspired by Isaiah 55:1-5)

L: God of abundance, you have promised to provide us with all that we need; in seeking to satisfy our deepest hungers, we shall find in you an even more profound sustenance than human imagination could envision.

**A: In your abundant love, you have given us all that we need to live and to share with our neighbor. But often, we spend what we have, our, our time and treasure on superficial needs. We throw away our plenty on little hungers and petty desires. We seek the fleeting delight of novelty, of prettiness, and of veneer. We chase after happiness while neglecting joy; we chase after romance while neglecting love; we skim the surface while fearing the depths.**

L: God of grace, we are hungry. God of mercy, quench our thirst.

**A: Forgive us, we pray, for our fearfulness, as we rely upon human illusions of control and satisfaction, even though we know these illusions separate us from you. Forgive us for not trusting in your grace, in your abundance, in the covenant promises that you have renewed with every generation. In Christ, may we learn to love you more than we love ourselves. Amen.**

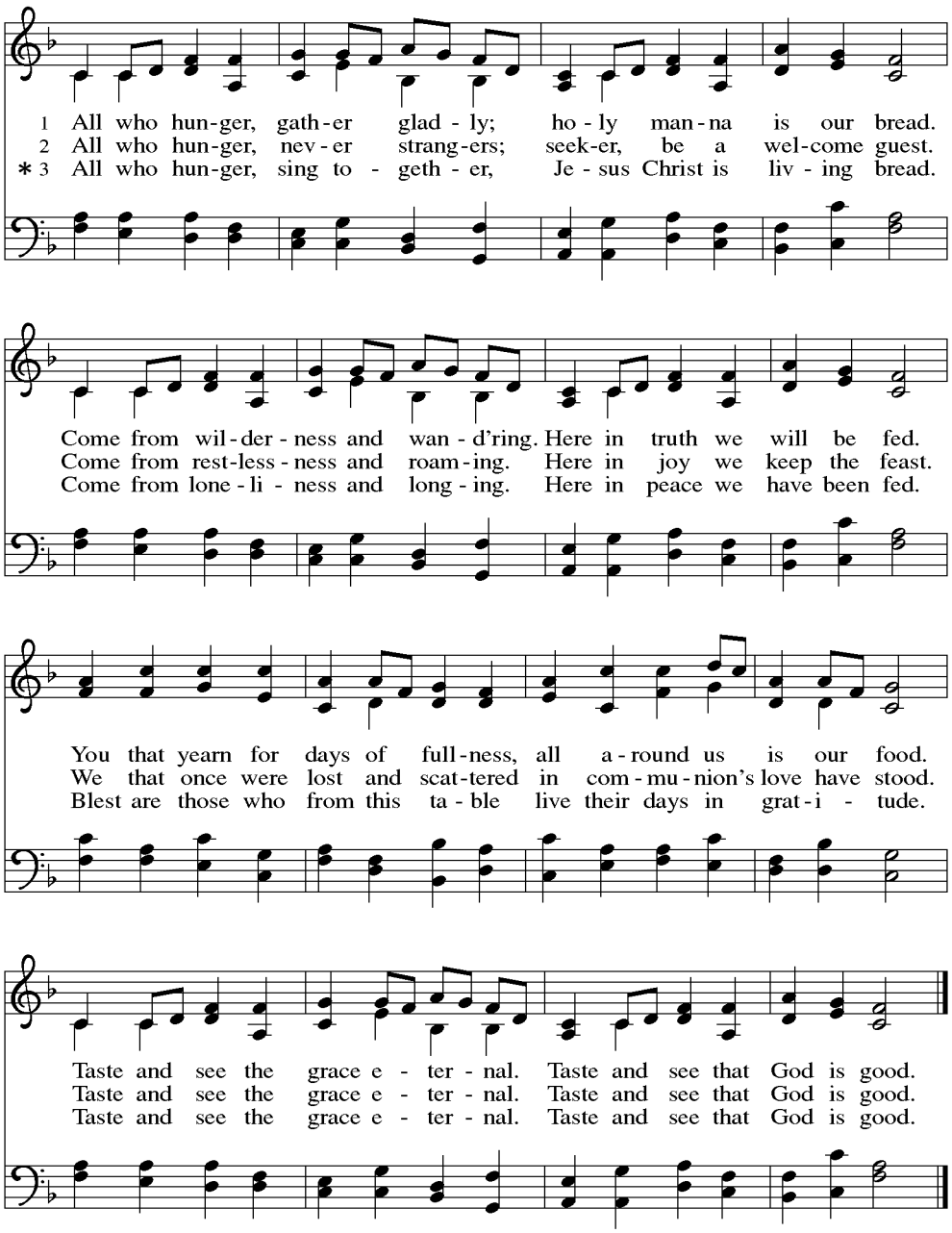
Moment of silence

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

L: Come, all you who are thirsty. God's abundance is abundant.
God's mercy for you in +Jesus Christ is without end.
God's provision for you is enough to feed your hungry spirit today.

**A**: **Amen**

Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon Is based on writing by: Eliza Buchakjian-Tweedy, Pastor at First Church Congregational, Rochester, NH. She blogs at http://sermoniing.wordpress.com/

**GATHERING HYMN #461 All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly**
(Michael Stevenson vs 1, Chris Hertler vs 2, Congregation vs 3)

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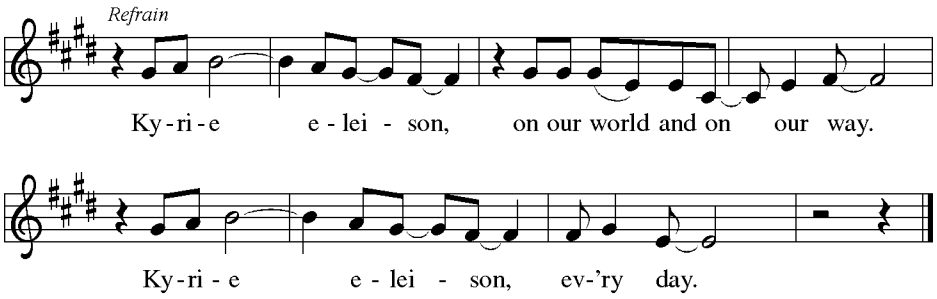
GREETING

L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the Communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**A: And also with you.**

KYRIE (cantor sings verses, congregation joins on refrain)




*For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the unity of all;*
*For this holy house, for all who worship and praise,*
*Let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.* ***Refrain***

*That we may live out your impassioned response to the hungry and the poor;*
*That we may live out truth and justice and grace,*
*Let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.* ***Refrain***

*For peace in our hearts, for peace in our homes, for friends and family;*
*For life and for love, for our work and our play,*
*Let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.* ***Refrain***

*For your Spirit to guide; that you center our lives in the water and the Word;*
*That you nourish our souls with your body and blood,*
*Let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.* ***Refrain***

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: The Lord be with you.
A: **And also with you.**

L: Let us pray. Glorious God, your generosity waters the world with goodness, and you cover creation with abundance Awaken in us a hunger for the food that satisfies both body and spirit, and with this food fill all the starving world; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **A: Amen**.

## – Word –

*God speaks to us in Scripture, reading, preaching and song.*

*God invites Israel to a great feast at which both food and drink are free. God also promises to make an everlasting covenant with all peoples, with promises that previously had been limited to Israel. As David was a witness to the nations, these nations shall now acknowledge the ways in which God has glorified Israel.*

FIRST READING: Isaiah 55: 1-5

[1]Ho, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters;
and you that have no money, come, buy and eat!
Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price.
[2]Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread,
and your labor for that which does not satisfy?
Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good,
and delight yourselves in rich food.
[3]Incline your ear, and come to me;
listen, so that you may live.

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I will make with you an everlasting covenant,
my steadfast, sure love for David.
4 See, I made him a witness to the peoples,
a leader and commander for the peoples.
5 See, you shall call nations that you do not know,
and nations that do not know you shall run to you,
because of the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel,
for he has glorified you.

L: The word of the Lord
**A: Thanks be to God**

PSALM 145: 8-9, 14-21

8 The LORD is gracious and full of compassion,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
9 **LORD, you are good to all,**
**and your compassion is over all your works.**
14 The Lord upholds all those who fall
and lifts up those who are bowed down.
15 **The eyes of all wait upon you, O LORD,**
**and you give them their food in due season.**
16 You open wide your hand
and satisfy the desire of every living thing.
17 **You are righteous in all your ways**
**and loving in all your works.**
18 You are near to all who call upon you,
to all who call upon you faithfully.
19 **You fulfill the desire of those who fear you;**
**you hear their cry and save them.**
20 You watch over all those who love you,
but all the wicked you shall destroy.
21 **My mouth shall speak the praise of the LORD;**
**let all flesh bless God's holy name forever and ever.**

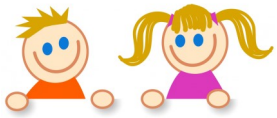
SECOND READING: Romans 9: 1-5

*This begins a new section in Paul's letter in which he will deal with the place of Israel in God's saving plan. He opens by highlighting how Israel's heritage and legacy include being God's children, having God's covenants, being given God's law, participating in worship of God, and receiving divine promises.*

1 I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit—2 I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. 3 For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the flesh. 4 They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; 5 to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Messiah, who is over all, God blessed forever. Amen.

L: The word of the Lord
**A: Thanks be to God**

CHILDREN'S TIME



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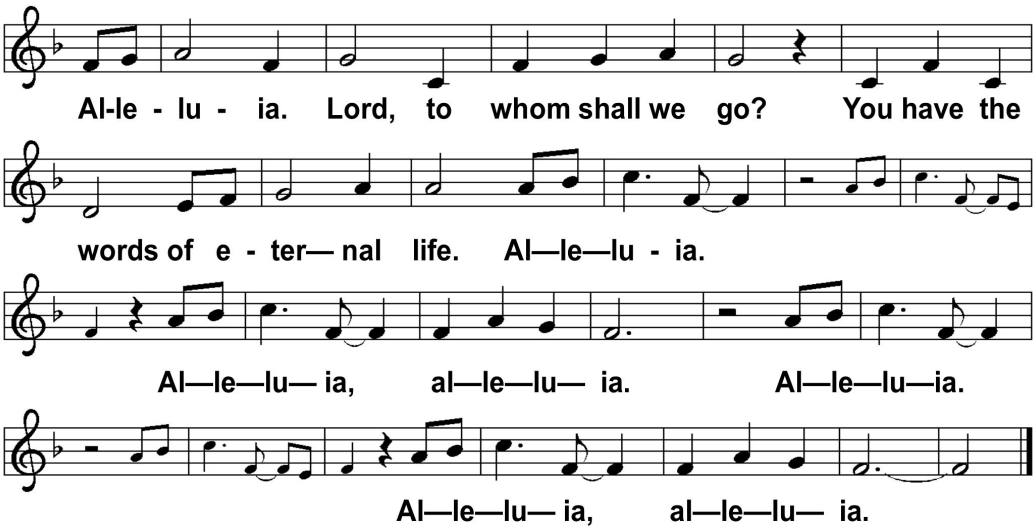

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 14: 13-21

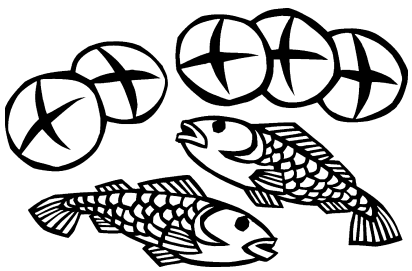
L: The holy gospel, according to Matthew
**A: Glory to You, O Lord**

*After John the Baptist is murdered, Jesus desires a time of solitude. Still, his compassion for others will not allow him to dismiss those who need him, and he is moved to perform one of his greatest miracles.*

[13]Now when Jesus heard [about the beheading of John the Baptist], he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. [14]When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. [15]When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." [16]Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." [17]They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." [18]And he said, "Bring them here to me." [19]Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. [20]And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. [21]And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

L: The gospel of the Lord
**A: Praise to You O Christ**

SERMON Pastor Lisa Lewton



## HYMN OF THE DAY #712 Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service

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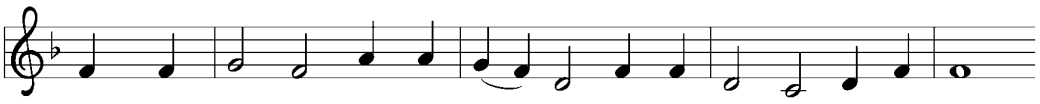
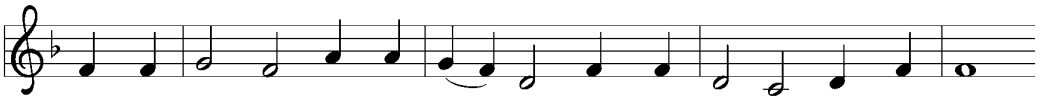
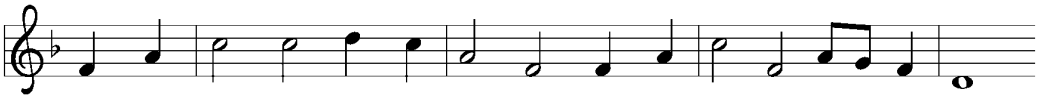
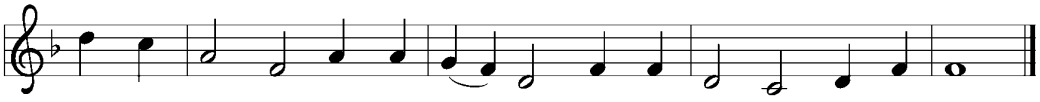

1 Lord, whose love in hum - ble ser - vice bore the weight of hu - man need,
2 Still your chil - dren wan - der home-less; still the hun - gry cry for bread;
3 As we wor - ship, grant us vi - sion, till your love's re - veal - ing light
∗ 4 Called by wor - ship to your ser - vice, forth in your dear name we go,

who up - on the cross, for - sak - en, worked your mer-cy's per - fect deed:
still the cap - tives long for free - dom; still in grief we mourn our dead.
in its height and depth and great-ness dawns up - on our quick-ened sight,
to the child, the youth, the a - ged, love in liv - ing deeds to show;

we, your ser - vants, bring the wor - ship not of voice a - lone, but heart;
As you, Lord, in deep com-pas - sion healed the sick and freed the soul,
mak - ing known the needs and bur - dens your com-pas - sion bids us bear,
hope and health, good - will and com - fort, coun - sel, aid, and peace we give,

con - se - crat - ing to your pur - pose ev - 'ry gift which you im - part.
by your Spir - it send your pow - er to our world to make it whole.
stir - ring us to ar - dent ser - vice, your a - bun - dant life to share.
that your ser - vants, Lord, in free - dom may your mer - cy know and live.

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APOSTLES CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,**
**Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,**
**Born of the virgin Mary,**
**Suffered under Pontius Pilate,**
**Was crucified, died, and was buried;**
**He descended to the dead.**
**On the third day he rose again;**
**He ascended into heaven,**
**He is seated at the right hand of the Father,**
**And he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,**
**The holy catholic church,**
**The communion of saints,**
**The forgiveness of sins,**
**The resurrection of the body,**
**And the life everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Prayer response: L: Lord, in your mercy

**A: hear our prayer.**

SHARING THE PEACE Musical selection: *"Christ, the Apple Tree"*

Give a wave of love to those worshipping online today.
(The camera is located on the front, center of the balcony.)

## - Meal -

*God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.*

***Offering:***
*Thank you to those of you contributing to the mission of St John by giving electronically, leaving a gift in one of the sanctuary baskets or mailing gifts in.*

*Please also consider what you have to offer to those in your immediate surroundings today and this week.*

OFFERING— Musical Selection: *"Sow it on the Mountain"*

OFFERING PRAYER

L: Let us pray. Merciful God, the gifts we bring are so small in comparison to the vast needs in our world—nowhere near enough to save those dying of starvation or even to meet the needs of the hungry and homeless. Yet we have brought what we can. As You once multiplied the five small loaves and two fish, multiply these gifts as well, so that, once again, the hungry may receive all they need, and more.

**A: Amen**.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

L: The Lord be with you.

**A: And also with you**.

L: Lift up your hearts.

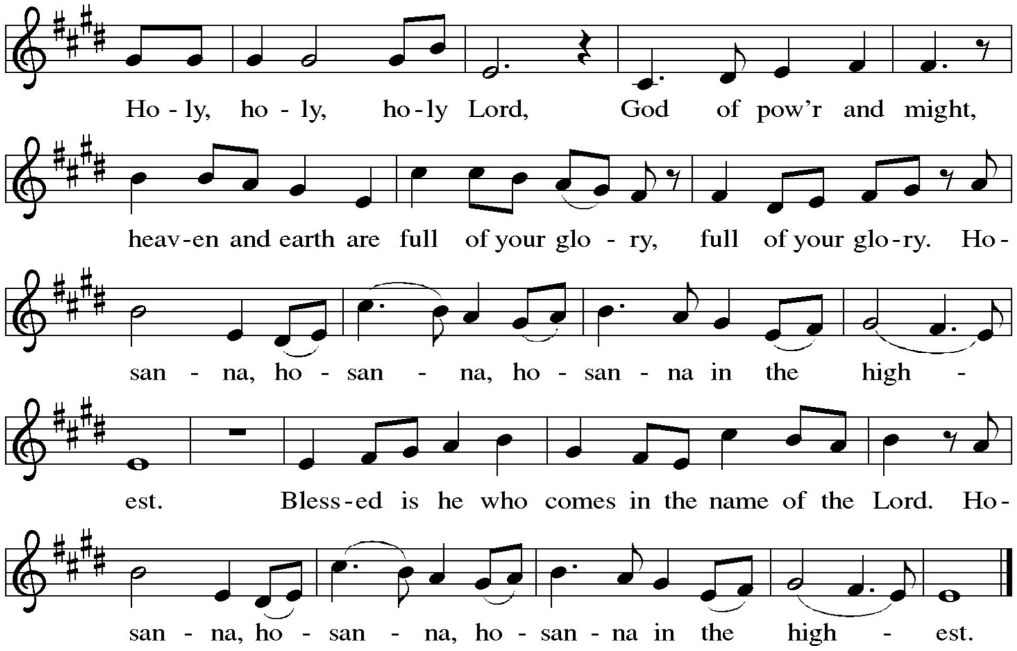
**A: We lift them to the Lord.**

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

A: **It is right to give our thanks and praise**.

L: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin; who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (sung by Cantor only)



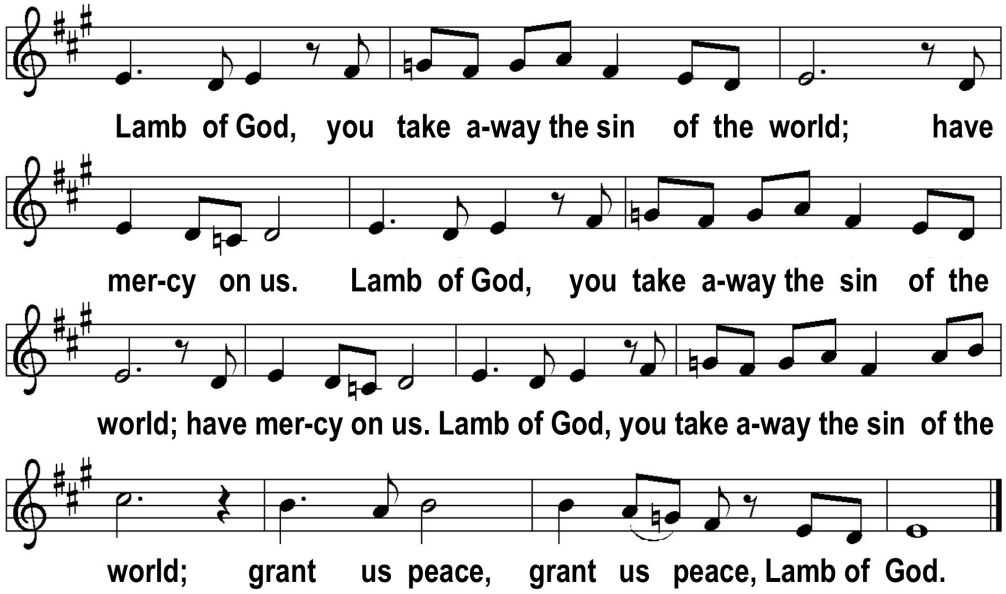
In the night in which he was betrayed . . .

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**A: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,**
**your kingdom come, your will be done,**
**on earth as in heaven.**
**Give us today our daily bread.**
**Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.**
**Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.**
**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,**
**now and forever. Amen**

## - Distribution of Bread & Wine -

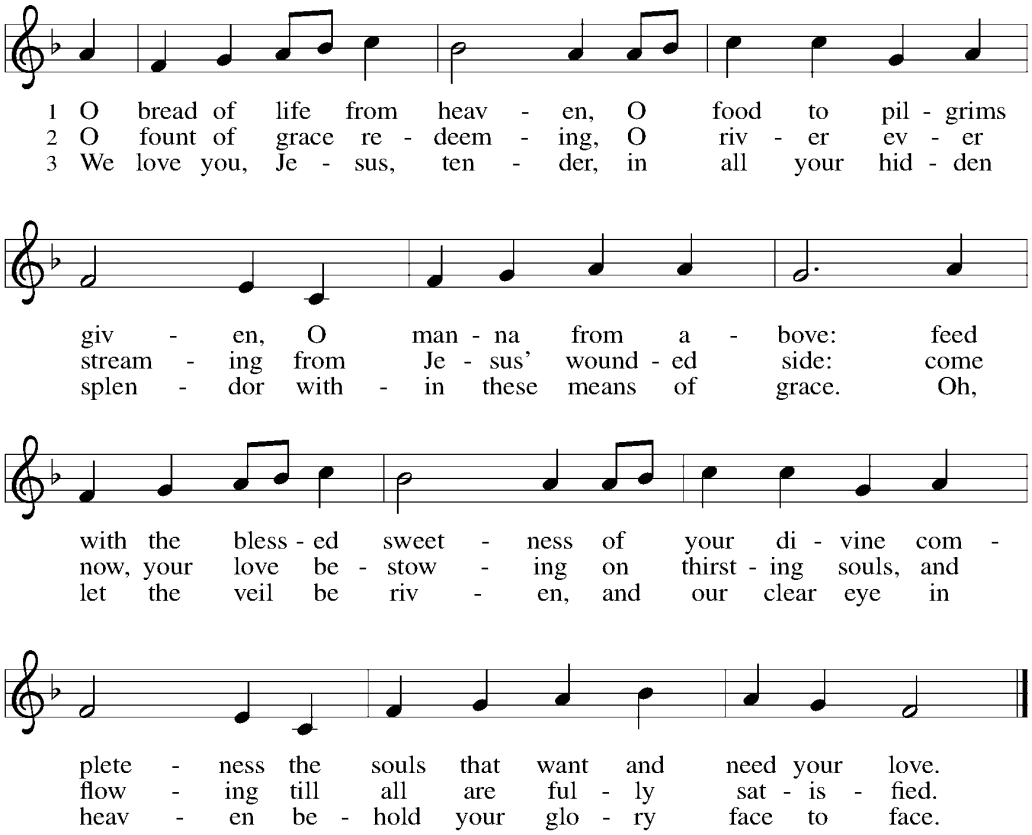
LAMB OF GOD (Sung by Cantor only)



*All are invited*
*to the table today. Come as*
*you are comfortable.*

FOR REFLECTION DURING COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

COMMUNION HYMN #480 O Bread of Life From Heaven (no singing)

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Music: O WELT, ICH MUSS DICH LASSEN, Heinrich Isaac, 1450–1517

*Perhaps you will consider meditating on The words of O Bread of Life From Heaven , as we commune this morning.*

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

**L:** Let us pray. God of the welcome table, in this meal we have feasted on your goodness and have been united by your presence among us. Empower us to go forth sustained by these gifts so that we may share your neighborly love with all, through Jesus Christ, the giver of abundant life. **Amen.**

## - Sending -

*God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.*

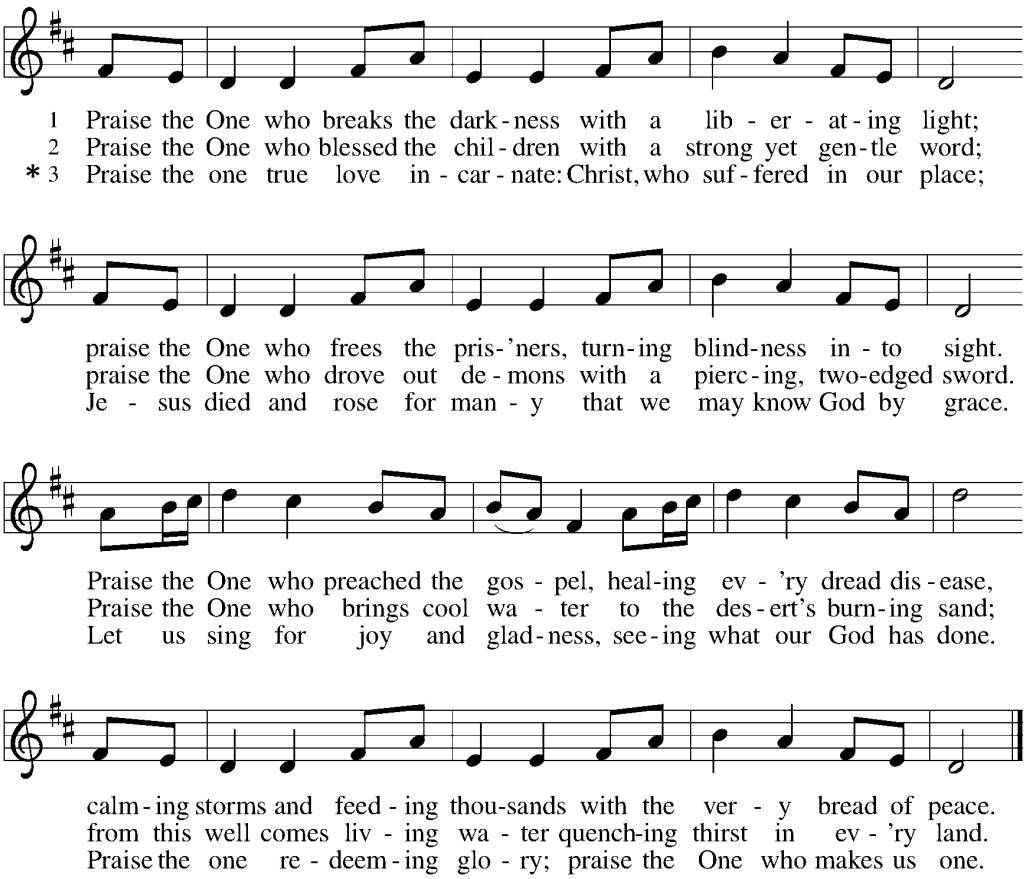
BLESSING

L: Neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus. God, the creator, + Jesus, the Christ, and the Holy Spirit, the comforter, bless you and keep you in eternal love.

**A: Amen**.

## SENDING HYMN #843 Praise the One who Breaks the Darkness

Michael Stevenson vs 1, Chris Hertler vs 2, Congregation vs 3

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DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. Christ is with you! **A: Thanks be to God.**

**THANK YOU TO THE WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY:**

*Pastor Lisa Lewton & Pastor Joe Natwick*

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| *Assisting Ministers:* | *8:00 am* | *Michael Stevenson* | *9:30 am Chip Poland* |
| *Tech:* | *8:00 am* | *Owen Bittner* | *9:30 am Burkley Luchi* |
| *Ushers:* | *8:00 am* | *Steve Lervik* | *9:30 am Ron Renner* |
| | | *Sam Lewton* | *Austin Barnhart* |
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