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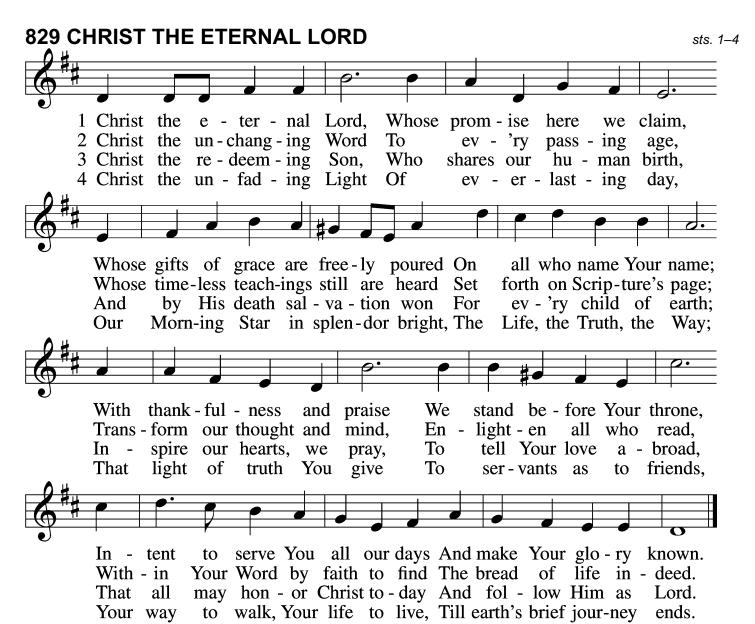
17th Sunday After Pentecost October 05, 2025

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AS WE GATHER: GOD'S SUFFICIENCY - OUR GENEROSITY

In a world that constantly tells us we never have enough, God speaks a better word. His grace is sufficient in all things and at all times. Today we hear St. Paul remind us that God supplies seed to the sower and bread for food, and He multiplies what we place in His hands. We also give thanks for the Lutheran Women in Mission, who put this truth into action through their faithful service and witness around the world. Stewardship is not about meeting a bottom line, but about trusting God's abundance and joyfully sowing the seeds of the Gospel. As we reflect on God's Word, we are reminded that He not only provides all that we need but calls us to abound in every good work. As we gather in worship, we are invited to rest in God's sufficiency and to rejoice that we get to take part in His kingdom work through cheerful giving and generous living.

+ PREPARATION +



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INVOCATION

Aln the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

GAmen.

OPENING SENTENCES

- ATruly I say to you, if you have faith like a grain of mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, "Move from here to there," and it will move,
- Can nothing will be impossible for you.
- AMy Son, do not forget My teaching, but let your heart keep My commandments, for length of days and years of life and peace they will add to you.
- **C**Let not steadfast love and faithfulness forsake you; bind them around your neck; write them on the tablet of your heart.
- ASo you will find favor and good success in the sight of God and man.
- Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding.
- A In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make straight your paths. Be not wise in your own eyes; fear the Lord, and turn away from evil.
- It will be healing to your flesh and refreshment to your bones.
- Althonor the Lord with your wealth and with the firstfruits of all your produce; then your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will be bursting with wine.
- My Son, do not despise the Lord's discipline or be weary of His reproof, for the Lord reproves him whom He loves, as a father the son in whom he delights.
- Dear Jesus, we know that You came not to be served but to serve. As we walk by grace, help us to use our time, talents, and money in support and service of others.

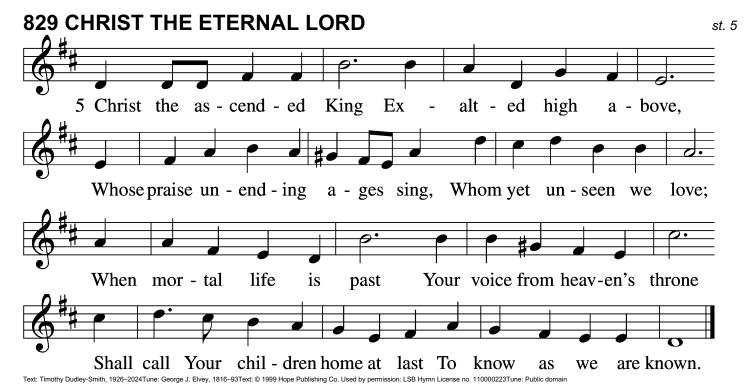
CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Luke 17:1, 5; 2 Timothy 1:8-9

- A Let us confess our sins before God Almighty.
- We confess, Lord our God, that we have wavered both in faith and in our trust in Your presence. We confess our failure to pray continually. We sin in thought, word, and deed and cannot keep your holy Law. Forgive us and grant us grace to live as those who have received Your kingdom and live in gratitude for Your blessings.
- A You have been forgiven by our gracious God for the sacrifice of His Son, our Lord Jesus. Rejoice as brothers and sisters in His kingdom, fellow citizens of heaven! As a fellow servant of Christ and at His command, I declare His forgiveness to you of all your sins in the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- **C**Amen. Thy kingdom come to us and through us.

+ WORD +



SALUTATION

LThe Lord be with you.

CAnd also with you.

PSALM

Psalm 62; antiphon: v. 1

¹For God alone my soul waits in silence; from him comes my salvation. ²He only is my rock and my salvation, my fortress; I shall not be greatly shaken. ³How long will all of you attack a man to batter him, like a leaning wall, a tottering fence? ⁴They only plan to thrust him down from his high position. They take pleasure in falsehood. They bless with their mouths, but inwardly they curse. ⁵For God alone, O my soul, wait in silence, for my hope is from him. ⁶He only is my rock and my salvation, my fortress; I shall not be shaken. ⁶On God rests my salvation and my glory; my mighty rock, my refuge is God. ⁶Trust in him at all times, O people; pour out your heart before him; God is a refuge for us. ⁶Those of low estate are but a breath; those of high estate are a delusion; in the balances they go up; they are together lighter than a breath. ¹oPut no trust in extortion; set no vain hopes on robbery; if riches increase, set not your heart on them. ¹¹Once God has spoken; twice have I heard this: that power belongs to God, ¹²and that to you, O Lord, belongs steadfast love. For you will render to a man according to his work.

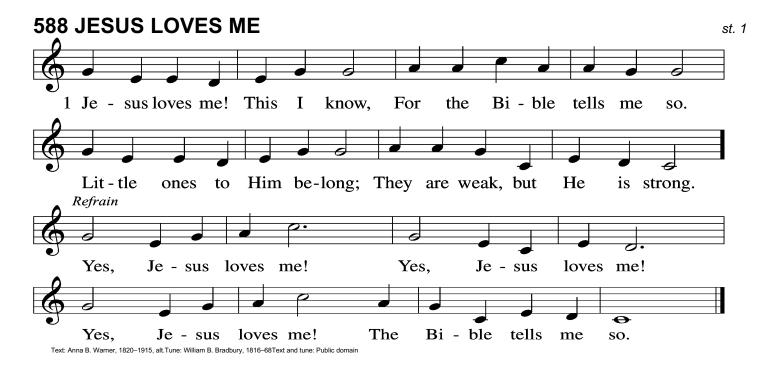
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- CThanks be to God.

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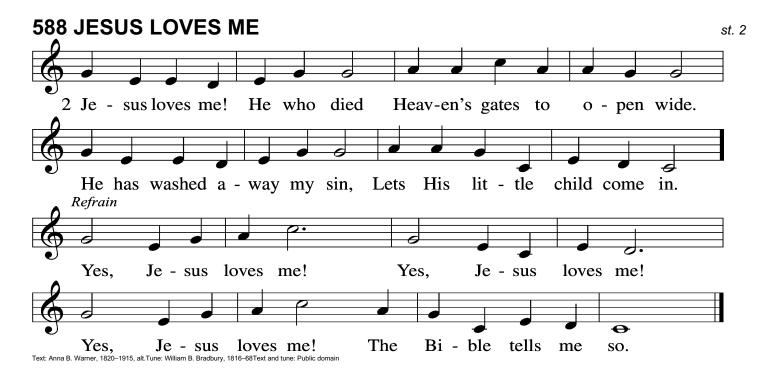
PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. O God, our refuge and strength, the author of all godliness, by Your grace hear the prayers of Your Church. Grant that those things which we ask in faith we may receive through Your bountiful mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

CAmen.



CHILDREN'S MESSAGE



¹Now on the twenty-fourth day of this month the people of Israel were assembled with fasting and in sackcloth, and with earth on their heads. ²And the Israelites separated themselves from all foreigners and stood and confessed their sins and the iniquities of their fathers. ³And they stood up in their place and read from the Book of the Law of the LORD their God for a quarter of the day; for another quarter of it they made confession and worshiped the LORD their God. ⁴On the stairs of the Levites stood Jeshua, Bani, Kadmiel, Shebaniah, Bunni, Sherebiah, Bani, and Chenani; and they cried with a loud voice to the LORD their God. ⁵Then the Levites, Jeshua, Kadmiel, Bani, Hashabneiah, Sherebiah, Hodiah, Shebaniah, and Pethahiah, said, "Stand up and bless the LORD your God from everlasting to everlasting. Blessed be your glorious name, which is exalted above all blessing and praise.

⁶ "You are the LORD, you alone. You have made heaven, the heaven of heavens, with all their host, the earth and all that is on it, the seas and all that is in them; and you preserve all of them; and the host of heaven worships you. ⁷You are the LORD, the God who chose Abram and brought him out of Ur of the Chaldeans and gave him the name Abraham. ⁸You found his heart faithful before you, and made with him the covenant to give to his offspring the land of the Canaanite, the Hittite, the Amorite, the Perizzite, the Jebusite, and the Girgashite. And you have kept your promise, for you are righteous.

⁹"And you saw the affliction of our fathers in Egypt and heard their cry at the Red Sea, ¹⁰and performed signs and wonders against Pharaoh and all his servants and all the people of his land, for you knew that they acted arrogantly against our fathers. And you made a name for yourself, as it is to this day. ¹¹And you divided the sea before them, so that they went through the midst of the sea on dry land, and you cast their pursuers into the depths, as a stone into mighty waters. ¹²By a pillar of cloud you led them in the day, and by a pillar of fire in the night to light for them the way in which they should go. ¹³You came down on Mount Sinai and spoke with them from heaven and gave them right rules and true laws, good statutes and commandments, ¹⁴and you made known to them your holy Sabbath and commanded them commandments and statutes and a law by Moses your servant. ¹⁵You gave them bread from heaven for their hunger and brought water for them out of the rock for their thirst, and you told them to go in to possess the land that you had sworn to give them.

¹⁶"But they and our fathers acted presumptuously and stiffened their neck and did not obey your commandments. ¹⁷They refused to obey and were not mindful of the wonders that you performed among them, but they stiffened their neck and appointed a leader to return to their slavery in Egypt. But you are a God ready to forgive, gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love, and did not forsake them. ¹⁸Even when they had made for themselves a golden calf and said, 'This is your God who brought you up out of Egypt,' and had committed great blasphemies, ¹⁹you in your great mercies did not forsake them in the wilderness.

The pillar of cloud to lead them in the way did not depart from them by day, nor the pillar of fire by night to light for them the way by which they should go. ²⁰You gave your good Spirit to instruct them and did not withhold your manna from their mouth and gave them water for their thirst. ²¹Forty years you sustained them in the wilderness, and they lacked nothing. Their clothes did not wear out and their feet did not swell.

LThis is the Word of the Lord.

CThanks be to God.

EPISTLE 2 Corinthians 9:6–12

⁶The point is this: whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. ⁷Each one must give as he has made up his mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. ⁸And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work. ⁹As it is written, "He has distributed freely, he has given to the poor; his righteousness endures forever." ¹⁰He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. ¹¹You will be enriched in every way for all your generosity, which through us will produce thanksgiving to God. ¹²For the ministry of this service is not only supplying the needs of the saints, but is also overflowing in many thanksgivings to God.

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HOLY GOSPEL
Luke 21:1–4

AThe Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-first chapter.

Glory to You, O Lord.

¹Jesus looked up and saw the rich putting their gifts into the offering box, ²and he saw a poor widow put in two small copper coins. ³And he said, "Truly, I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all of them. ⁴For they all contributed out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty put in all she had to live on."

AThis is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ.

MUSICAL MEDITATION

SERMON

APOSTLES' CREED

l 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.

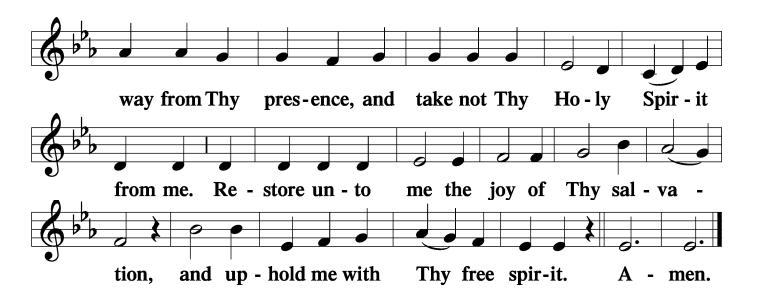
OFFERING AND VIDEO

(At this time, please fill out the attendance sheet in the colored bulletin and place in the offering plate. Also at this time, on the back of the attendance slip, please refresh your thoughts or read what we believe, as you prepare to come to receive the Lord's Body & Blood or as you come forward to receive a blessing.)

LWML NOISY MITE OFFERING

(This offering of loose change that is taken, is to support the Mission Grants for LWML. Please see the screen for what is highlighted this month. For more information about these grants, please go to these websites: www.lwml.org and www.midsouthlwml.org)





PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LLLet us pray.

Almighty and merciful God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, praise to You and thanksgiving for Your great glory demonstrated by Your righteous rule over Your whole creation, for the beauty of the earth, and for Your provision of everything good. Praise is due to You especially for Your care and deliverance of the world by the salvation of all people through the redemption of Your Son, Jesus Christ. By His death and resurrection, He has destroyed death and brought life and new hope to light through forgiveness for the sins of the world. Lord, in Your mercy,

Chear our prayer.

Libbless all pastors and all Your people in every corner of the world to proclaim the Good News of Your grace and deliverance. Defend all who serve in Your church, giving them the help of Your Spirit to be faithful in their calling. Bless the preaching of Your Word and the administration of Your Holy Sacraments to enable us and all people to repent and believe in Your deliverance and help in every need. Lord, in Your mercy,

Chear our prayer.

Library Bless our ministry expansion campaign that it may be the catalyst for the growth of Your church here in Conway. Provide a generous and godly buyer for our current property, that the financial needs of our ministry expansion may be met and Your name be glorified through our efforts. Bless our ECE Committee and those who work with them that their efforts may be blessed and ministry to little ones may proceed from Peace Conway very soon. Lord in Your mercy,

Chear our prayer

I Gracious Lord, we give You thanks for the faithful women of the Lutheran Women in Mission. Bless their efforts as they gather mites and offer their prayers, so that the Gospel may be proclaimed, mercy shown, and lives touched across the world. Strengthen them in joy and service, and let their work continue to abound in every good work for the sake of Christ. Lord in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

LCause the proclamation of Your will to sanctify and bless the ministration of all those in the authority of the government that peace may prevail in our country and throughout the world. Lord, in Your mercy,

Chear our prayer

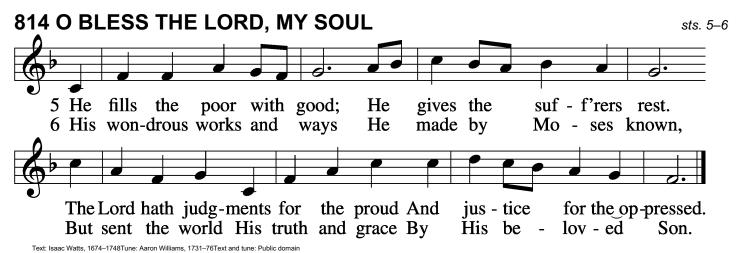
L Be the consolation, healer, and help of all who are in any need, in sickness or injury, or in fear or loneliness, that many may turn their hearts to trust in Your never-failing love. Lord, in Your mercy,

Chear our prayer.

Linto Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

CAmen.

+ SACRAMENT +



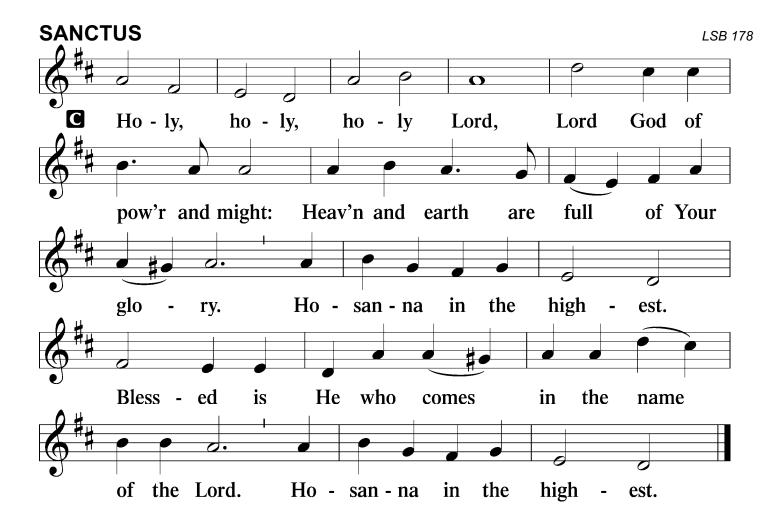
PREFACE

PLet us give thanks to the Lord our God.

CIt is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

PIt 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 all Your unworthy servants serving You as their divine duty, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

PBlessed 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.

CAmen.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

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

CAmen. Come, Lord Jesus.

PO 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:

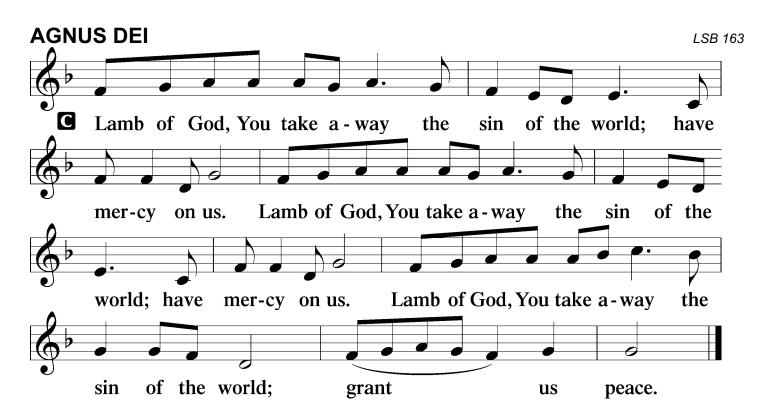
THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

PThe peace of the Lord be with you always.

CAmen.



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GOD, TURN IT AROUND (video)

Jon Reddick

I'm praying, God come And turn this thing around God, turn it around, God, turn it around, God, turn it around

I'm calling on the name That changes everything, yes God, turn it around, God, turn it around

'Cause all of my hope Is in the name, The name of Jesus Breakthrough will come, Come in the name, The name of Jesus

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He is up to something, He is up to something God is doing something, yeah, right now He is up to something, He is up to something God is doing something, yeah, right now

He is healing someone, yeah, He is saving someone God is doing something, right now, right now He is healing someone, He is saving someone God is doing something, right now, right now

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God, turn it around, God, turn it around, God, turn it around God, turn it around, God, turn it around, God, turn it around

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The truth is I am my Father's child, I make Him proud and I make Him smile I was made in the image of a perfect King

He looks at me and wouldn't change a thing

The truth is I am truly loved, By a God who's good when I'm not good enough I don't belong to the lies, I belong to You, And that's the truth

When I feel like there's so much noise Livin' rent free in my head Heaven finds me in a still small voice And it sounds like grace instead You remind me who I am, When I look in the mirror and I'm not so sure Lord, I don't wanna listen to the lies anymore

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I know who I am 'cause I know who You are And I hold Your truth inside of my heart I know the lies are always gonna try and find me But I've never been so sure

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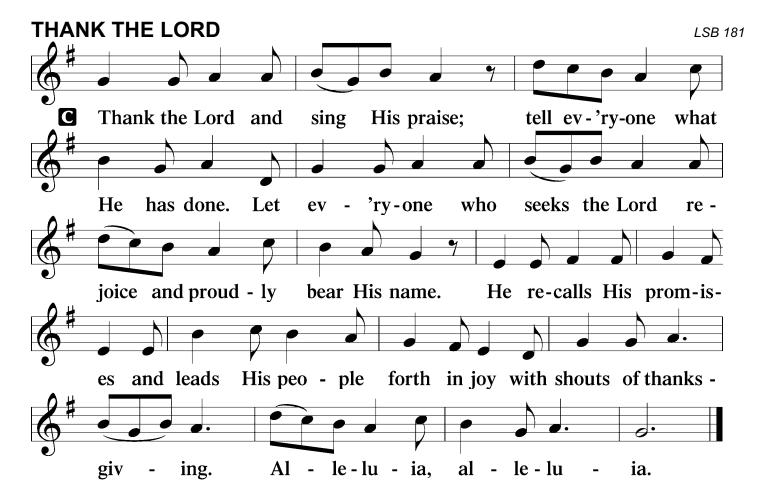
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The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart + in peace.

CAmen.



BENEDICTION (AARONIC)

AThe 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.

CAmen.



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LGo in Peace as you serve the Lord.

CThanks be to God.

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