

Trinity Lutheran Church



**Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost
October 11, 2026**

**Our Mission:
“Sharing the good news of Jesus Christ”**

*“For I am not ashamed of the gospel,
for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes.”
Romans 1:16*



Trinity Lutheran
Church, LCMS

WORSHIP TEAM

HEAD ELDERS

8:00am Dave Bailey

10:30am Leonard Bremer

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS

8:00am Munden & Schwieger

10:30 am Kalbach & Stieber

LECTORS

8:00am Bev Tibbets

10:30am Kay Jacobson

KEYBOARD

William Stiefel

MUSIC DIRECTOR

Jan Garner



Thomas R. Boeck
Pastor



*“Serving as God guides us, bringing people
closer to Jesus Christ through worship,
Bible studies, prayer and fellowship”*

WELCOME!!!

**A warm joyous welcome to all who
gather to bear witness to the life of
Jesus, our King of Kings!**

OUR RITE OF FRIENDSHIP:

Members and guests: Please register your attendance in the red pad located at the end of each row. **We ask our guests to print your complete address and phone number.**

When it reaches the other end of the row, please pass it back. Upon its return note the other names; you may meet a new friend in Christ today.

Please turn off your cell phone.

**If you desire a hearing assistance unit,
speak with an usher.**



PRE-SERVICE MUSIC *by William Stiefel*

SPECIAL MUSIC *By Bells of Trinity*

ALL GLORY, LAUD AND HONOR

Arr. Cynthia Dobrinski

MORNING SONG OF PRAISE

Derek Hajkes

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

[Please stand and face the cross as it enters the sanctuary]

+ PREPARATION +

OPENING HYMN: OPEN NOW THY GATES OF BEAUTY

LSB #901 sts. 1–3 Text and tune: Public domain

1 O - pen now thy gates of beau - ty; Zi - on, let me
2 Gra - cious God, I come be - fore Thee; Come Thou al - so
3 Here Thy praise is glad - ly chant - ed; Here Thy seed is

en - ter there, Where my soul in joy - ful du - ty
un - to me. Where we find Thee and a - dore Thee,
du - ly sown. Let my soul, where it is plant - ed,

Waits for Him who an - swers prayer. Oh, how bless - ed
There a heav'n on earth must be. To my heart, O
Bring forth pre - cious sheaves a - lone, So that all I

is this place, Filled with sol - ace, light, and grace!
en - ter Thou; Let it be Thy tem - ple now!
hear may be Fruit - ful un - to life in me.

INVOCATION

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

C Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES

P I will go to the altar of God,

C to God my exceeding joy.

P Our help is in the name of the LORD,

C who made heaven and earth.

P Behold, this is our God; we have waited for Him, that He might save us.

C This is the LORD; we have waited for Him; let us be glad and rejoice in His salvation.

P For I am not ashamed of the gospel,

C for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P The Lord God, the King of the universe, has invited all, both bad and good, to the wedding feast of salvation. Let us not reject that invitation but fill His house as guests of repentance and faith.

[be seated]

HYMN JUST AS I AM, WITHOUT ONE PLEA

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1 Just as I am, with - out one plea But that Thy
2 Just as I am and wait - ing not To rid my
5 Just as I am, Thou wilt re - ceive, Wilt wel - come,



blood was shed for me And that Thou bidd'st me come to
soul of one dark blot, To Thee, whose blood can cleanse each
par - don, cleanse, re - lieve; Be - cause Thy prom - ise I be -



Thee, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
spot, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
lieve, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

ABSOLUTION

P Baptized into the name of the most Holy Trinity, you are buried with Christ and your sin is taken away. By His Spirit now living within you, He calls you His child. Therefore, as a called and ordained servant of Christ, I forgive you all your sins. By faith, God restores your hope to enter the gate of His presence both now in the Divine Service and at the final gate of the great heavenly feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end.

C Amen.

+ WORD +

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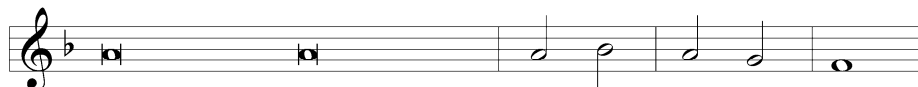
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P Glory be to God on high: **C** and on earth peace, good - will toward



men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,



we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.



O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty.



O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;



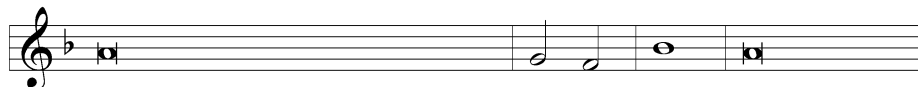
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,



that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us.



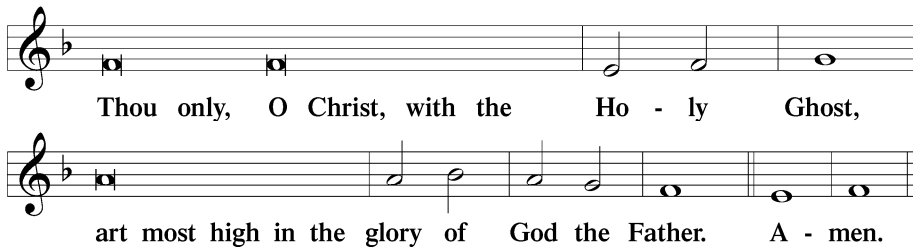
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.



Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up-



on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on - ly art the Lord.



SALUTATION

R The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

INTROIT

L I will praise the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being. I will greatly rejoice in the LORD; my soul shall exult in my God, for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation; he has covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself like a priest with a beautiful headdress, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.

C **Glory be to the Father and to the Son ✠ and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

R I will praise the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

R Let us pray.

Almighty God, You invite us to trust in You for our salvation. Deal with us not in the severity of Your judgment but by the greatness of Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

HYMN OPEN NOW THY GATES OF BEAUTY

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OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalms 31:14–24

L ¹⁴But I trust in you, O LORD; I say, “You are my God.” ¹⁵My times are in your hand; rescue me from the hand of my enemies and from my persecutors! ¹⁶Make your face shine on your servant; save me in your steadfast love! ¹⁷O LORD, let me not be put to shame, for I call upon you; let the wicked be put to shame; let them go silently to Sheol. ¹⁸Let the lying lips be mute, which speak insolently against the righteous in pride and contempt. ¹⁹Oh, how abundant is your goodness, which you have stored up for those who fear you and worked for those who take refuge in you, in the sight of the children of mankind! ²⁰In the cover of your presence you hide them from the plots of men; you store them in your shelter from the strife of tongues. ²¹Blessèd be the LORD, for he has wondrously shown his steadfast love to me when I was in a besieged city. ²²I had said in my alarm, “I am cut off from your sight.” But you heard the voice of my pleas for mercy when I cried to you for help. ²³Love the LORD, all you his saints! The LORD preserves the faithful but abundantly repays the one who acts in pride. ²⁴Be strong, and let your heart take courage, all you who wait for the LORD!

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE

James 3:13–18

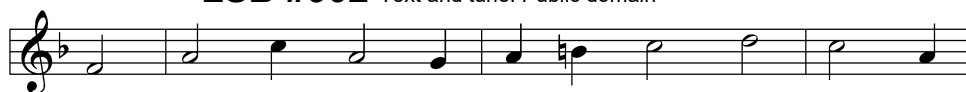
L ¹³Who is wise and understanding among you? By his good conduct let him show his works in the meekness of wisdom. ¹⁴But if you have bitter jealousy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not boast and be false to the truth. ¹⁵This is not the wisdom that comes down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, demonic. ¹⁶For where jealousy and selfish ambition exist, there will be disorder and every vile practice. ¹⁷But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, open to reason, full of mercy and good fruits, impartial and sincere. ¹⁸And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

HYMN LORD JESUS CHRIST, BE PRESENT NOW

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1 Lord Je - sus Christ, be pres - ent now; Our hearts in
2 Un - seal our lips to sing Your praise In end - less
3 Then shall we join the hosts that cry, "O ho - ly,
△ 4 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, Son, And Ho - ly



true de - vo - tion bow. Your Spir - it send with
hymns through all our days. In - crease our faith and
ho - ly Lord Most High!" And in the light of
Spir - it, Three in One! To You, O bless - ed



light di - vine, And let Your truth with - in us shine.
light our minds; And set us free from doubt that blinds.
that blest place We then shall see You face to face.
Trin - i - ty, Be praise through - out e - ter - ni - ty!

[please stand]

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 12:35–40

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twelfth chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

P ³⁵[Jesus said:] "Stay dressed for action and keep your lamps burning, ³⁶and be like men who are waiting for their master to come home from the wedding feast, so that they may open the door to him at once when he comes and knocks. ³⁷Blessed are those servants whom the master finds awake when he comes. Truly, I say to you, he will dress himself for service and have them recline at table, and he will come and serve them. ³⁸If he comes in the second watch, or in the third, and finds them awake, blessed are those servants! ³⁹But know this, that if the master of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have left his house to be broken into. ⁴⁰You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

[please remain standing until the cross has been placed in its stand]

ANTHEM by *The Bells of Trinity*

OF THE FATHER'S LOVE

Arranged by: Bob Burroughs and Anna Laura Page

SERMON

"Using Time Wisely"
Pastor Thomas R. Boeck

"Adapted from stewardship materials adapted by Rev. Ron Chewning for "Living in an Unwise World"."

[please stand]

CONFESSION OF FAITH

NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And he will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen

[be seated]

OFFERING

WE PRAISE YOU, O GOD

Worship & Rejoice #726 sts. 1 & 3

- 1 We praise you, O God, our Redeemer, Creator;
in grateful devotion our tribute we bring;
we lay it before you; we kneel and adore you;
we bless your holy name: glad praises we sing.
- 3 With voices united our praises we offer,
our songs of thanksgiving to you we now raise;
your strong arm will guide us, our God is beside us,
to you, our great Redeemer, forever be praise!

OFFERTORY

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

R Almighty and eternal God, worthy to be held in reverence by all people everywhere, we give You thanks for the innumerable blessings that You have bestowed on us, especially for the gift of true repentance of our sins and faith in Your gracious gift of forgiveness and the hope of everlasting life. For Your saving Word and Holy Sacraments, we give You praise. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

R Bestow Your grace upon all nations of the earth. Bless especially our country, its inhabitants, and all who are in authority, in order that mercy and truth, righteousness and peace may abound everywhere. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

R Defend us, Lord, from all calamity of fire and water, from war and pestilence, from scarcity and famine, and from every other evil. Be the God and Father of the lonely and the forsaken, the helper of the sick and needy, the comforter of the distressed and of those who sorrow. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

R Accept, we beseech You, our bodies and souls, our hearts and minds, and all that we are to be a reasonable, holy, and lively sacrifice to You. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

R O Lord, bless those in our congregation celebrating birthdays, especially:

October Birthdays

11th Cal Amstein & Gloria Landsman

12th Gary Kerr & Pamela S. Gerhold

17th Bob Miller & Barb Fuehrmeyer

Grant them good health and fill their hearts with Your love and of one another as they celebrate Your gifts in their lives. Lord in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

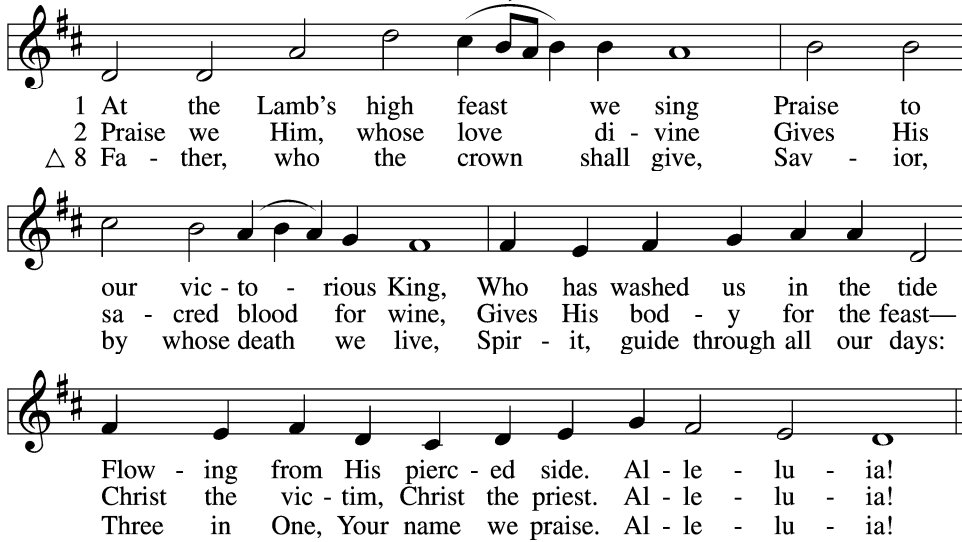
R Graciously receive our prayers, deliver and preserve us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

+ SACRAMENT +

HYMN **AT THE LAMB'S HIGH FEAST WE SING**

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1 At the Lamb's high feast we sing Praise to
2 Praise we Him, whose love di - vine Gives His
△ 8 Fa - ther, who the crown shall give, Sav - ior,
our vic - to - rious King, Who has washed us in the tide
sa - cred blood for wine, Gives His bod - y for the feast—
by whose death we live, Spir - it, guide through all our days:
Flow - ing from His pierc - ed side. Al - le - lu - ia!
Christ the vic - tim, Christ the priest. Al - le - lu - ia!
Three in One, Your name we praise. Al - le - lu - ia!

[please stand]

PREFACE

P The Lord be with you.

C And also 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

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, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, out of love for His fallen creation, humbled Himself by taking on the form of a servant, becoming obedient unto death, even death upon a cross. Risen from the dead, He has freed us from eternal death and given us life everlasting. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS

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Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;
heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,
ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is He,
bless-ed is He, bless - ed is He that com-eth in the name of the Lord.
Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

LORD'S PRAYER

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

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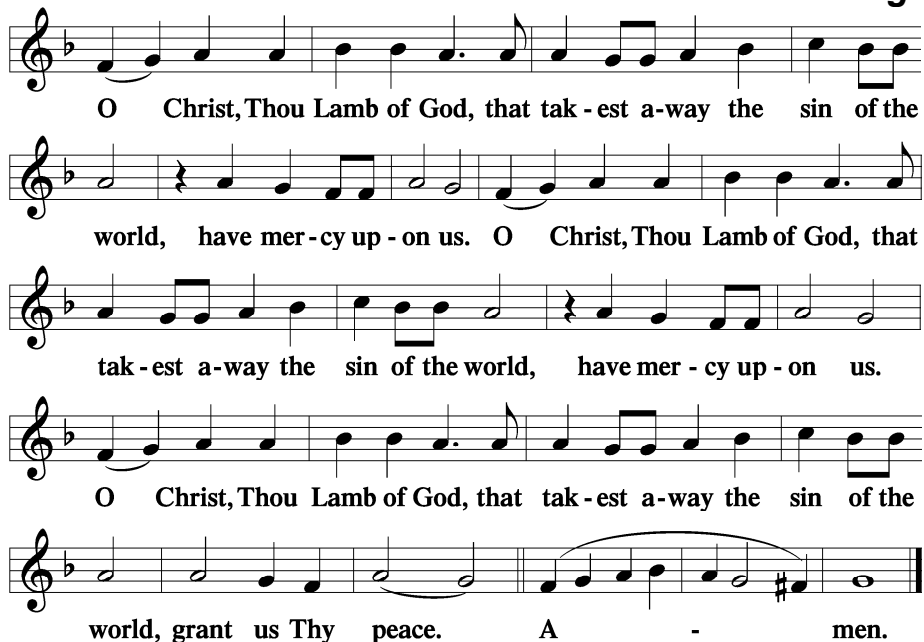
P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

[be seated]

AGNUS DEI

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O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the
world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that
tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the
world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

+ DISTRIBUTION HYMNS +

**HYMN WE GATHER TOGETHER
WORSHIP & REJOICE #81**

1. We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing;
 He chastens and hastens His will to make known;
 the wicked oppressing now cease from distressing.
 Sing praises to His name, He forgets not His own.
2. Beside us to guide us, our God with us joining,
 ordaining, maintaining His kingdom divine;
 so from the beginning the fight we were winning:
 the Lord was at our side- the glory be Thine!
3. We all do extol Thee, Thou leader triumphant,
 and pray that Thou still our defender wilt be.
 Let Thy congregation escape tribulation;
 Thy name be ever praised! O Lord, make us free!

**HYMN LET US BREAK BREAD TOGETHER
WORSHIP & REJOICE #699 sts. 103**

1. Let us break bread together on our knees;
 let us break bread together on our knees. [Refrain]

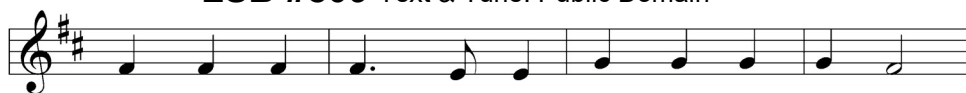
Refrain:

**When I fall on my knees,
with my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me.**

2. Let us drink wine together on our knees;
 let us drink wine together on our knees. [Refrain]
3. Let us praise God together on our knees;
 let us praise God together on our knees. [Refrain]

HYMN GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS

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1 Great is Thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther;
 2 Sum - mer and win - ter and spring - time and har - vest,
 3 Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth,



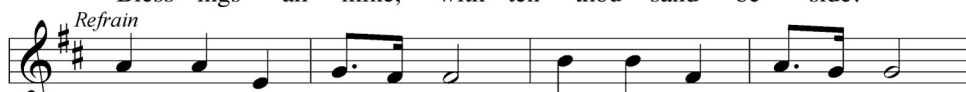
There is no shad - ow of turn - ing with Thee.
 Sun, moon, and stars in their cours - es a - bove
 Thine own dear pres - ence to cheer and to guide;



Thou chang - est not: Thy com - pas - sions, they fail not;
 Join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wit - ness
 Strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row,



As Thou hast been, Thou for - ev - er wilt be.
 To Thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.
 Bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!



Great is Thy faith - ful - ness! Great is Thy faith - ful - ness!



Morn - ing by morn - ing new mer - cies I see;



All I have need - ed Thy hand hath pro - vid - ed;



Great is Thy faith - ful - ness, Lord, un - to me!

THANK THE LORD

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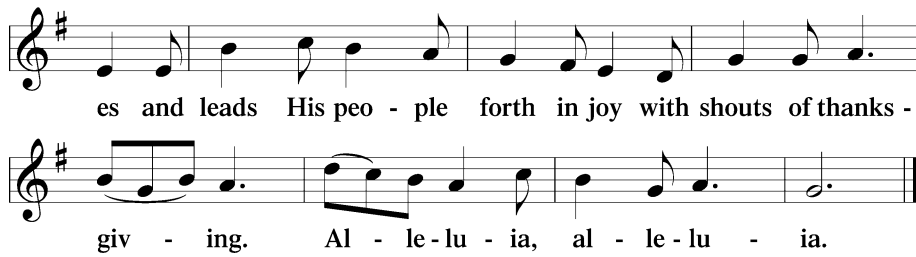
☐ Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev - 'ry-one what



He has done. Let ev - 'ry-one who seeks the Lord re -



joice and proud - ly bear His name. He re - calls His prom - is -



BENEDICAMUS

P Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

BENEDICTION

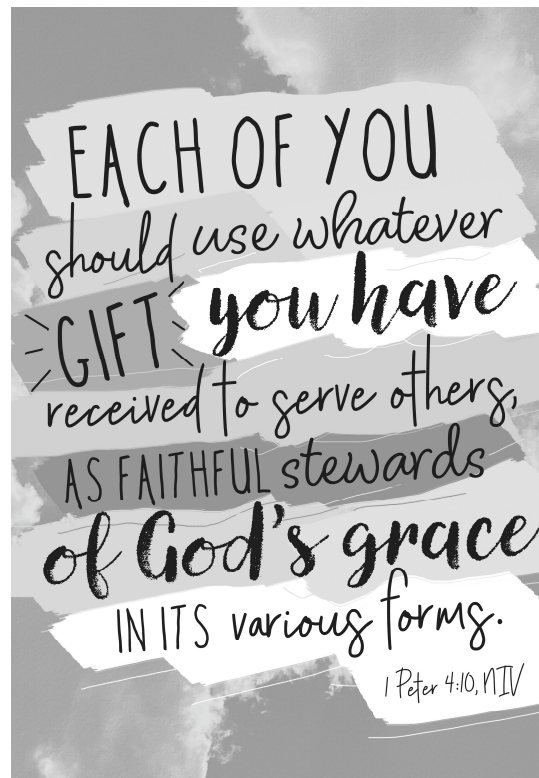
P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

C Amen.

[Please stand and face the cross as it enters the sanctuary]



CLOSING HYMN

I WANT TO WALK AS A CHILD OF THE LIGHT

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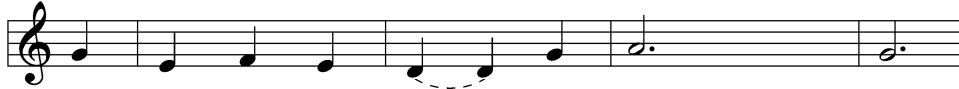
1 I want to walk as a child of the light.
2 I want to see the bright-ness of God.
3 I'm look - ing for the com - ing of Christ.



I want to fol - low Je - sus.
I want to look at Je - sus.
I want to be with Je - sus.



God set the stars to give light to the world.
Clear Sun of Righ - teous - ness, shine on my path,
When we have run with pa - tience the race,



The star of my life is Je - sus.
And show me the way to the Fa - ther.
We shall know the joy of Je - sus.



Refrain

In Him there is no dark - ness at all.



The night and the day are both a - like.



The Lamb is the light of the cit - y of God.



Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

DISMISSAL

P Go in peace as you serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

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