

# *Welcome to Edison Lutheran Church*

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## The Fourth Sunday of Easter

May 11, 2025

10:30 am

Welcome to worship!

Masks are welcome. If you are joining us from your car,  
**please tune your radio to 98.7 FM** or join us for the  
livestream via Facebook or our website,  
[elcbow.org](http://elcbow.org).

# Holy Communion

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## Welcome to worship.

If you are a visitor with us, thank you for being here. We invite you to sign our attendance book and the guest book in the Narthex. **Children are welcome** in worship. *Children's bulletins* are available from the ushers. Also, Children's Activity Bags, located in the back of the sanctuary on the right side to use during the service.

**We celebrate Holy Communion every Sunday and extend the invitation to all who are baptized to receive Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of sin.**

◆ *indicates the congregation stands as able*

Prayer cards are available in the pews. If you have a prayer concern or a thanks that you would like included in the Prayers of the People, fill out the card and ushers will collect them from end of pews after Prayer of the Day.

## Gathering

10:15 am Second Sunday Hymn Sing

BELL TOLL

WELCOME AND GREETING

PRELUDE

"Andante"

- Felix Mendelssohn

## ◆ CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

AM In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
C **Amen.**

AM Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
C **Amen.**

AM Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

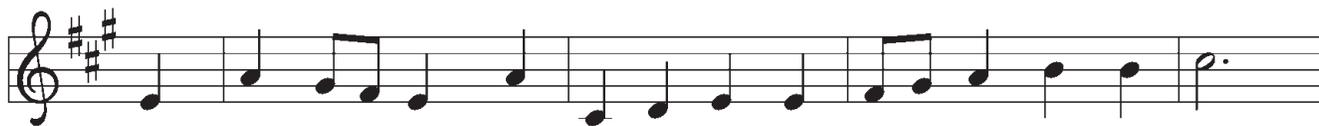
AM Gracious God,  
C **have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**  
**Amen.**

P In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare unto you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
C **Amen.**



◆ GATHERING HYMN "The Day of Resurrection" ELW 361

All Verses



1 The day of res - ur - rec - tion! Earth, tell it out a - broad,  
 2 Let hearts be purged of e - vil that we may see a - right  
 3 Now let the heav'ns be joy - ful, let earth its song be - gin,  
 4 All praise to God the Fa - ther, all praise to Christ the Son,



the pass - o - ver of glad - ness, the pass - o - ver of God.  
 the Lord in rays e - ter - nal of res - ur - rec - tion light,  
 the round world keep high tri - umph and all that is there - in.  
 all praise to God the Spir - it, e - ter - nal Three in One!



From death to life e - ter - nal, from sin's do - min - ion free,  
 and lis - t'ning to his ac - cents, may hear, so calm and plain,  
 Let all things, seen and un - seen, their notes of glad - ness blend;  
 Let all the ran - somed num - ber fall down be - fore the throne,



our Christ has brought us o - ver with hymns of vic - to - ry.  
 his own "All hail!" and hear - ing, may raise the glad re - frain.  
 for Christ the Lord has ris - en, our joy that has no end!  
 and hon - or, pow'r, and glo - ry as - cribe to God a - lone!

Text: John of Damascus, c. 696–c. 754; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–1866, alt.  
 Music: ELLACOMBE, German melody, 18th cent.; adapt. X. L. Hartig, *Melodien zum Mainzer Gesangbuche*, 1833

## ◆ GREETING

**P** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C** **And also with you.**

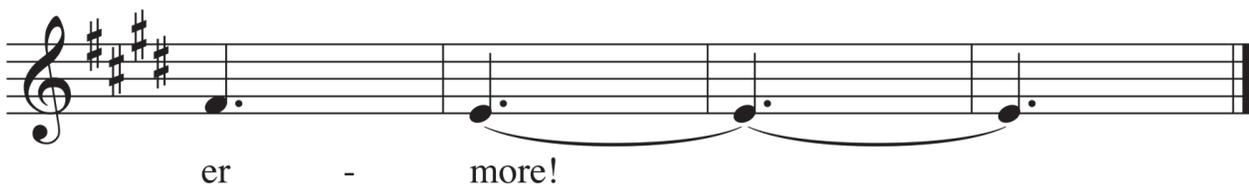
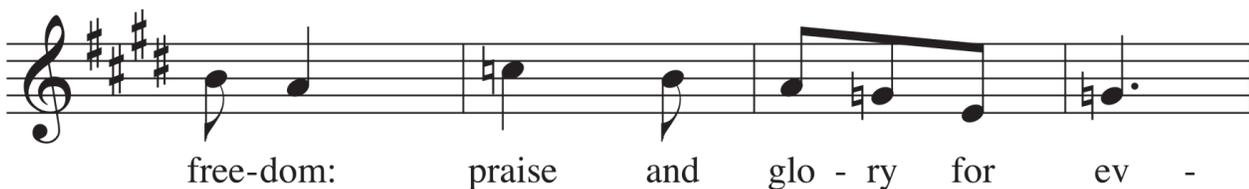
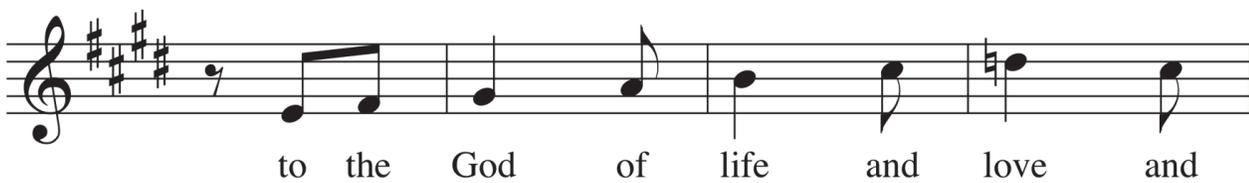
## ◆ HYMN OF PRAISE

### "Now the Feast and Celebration"

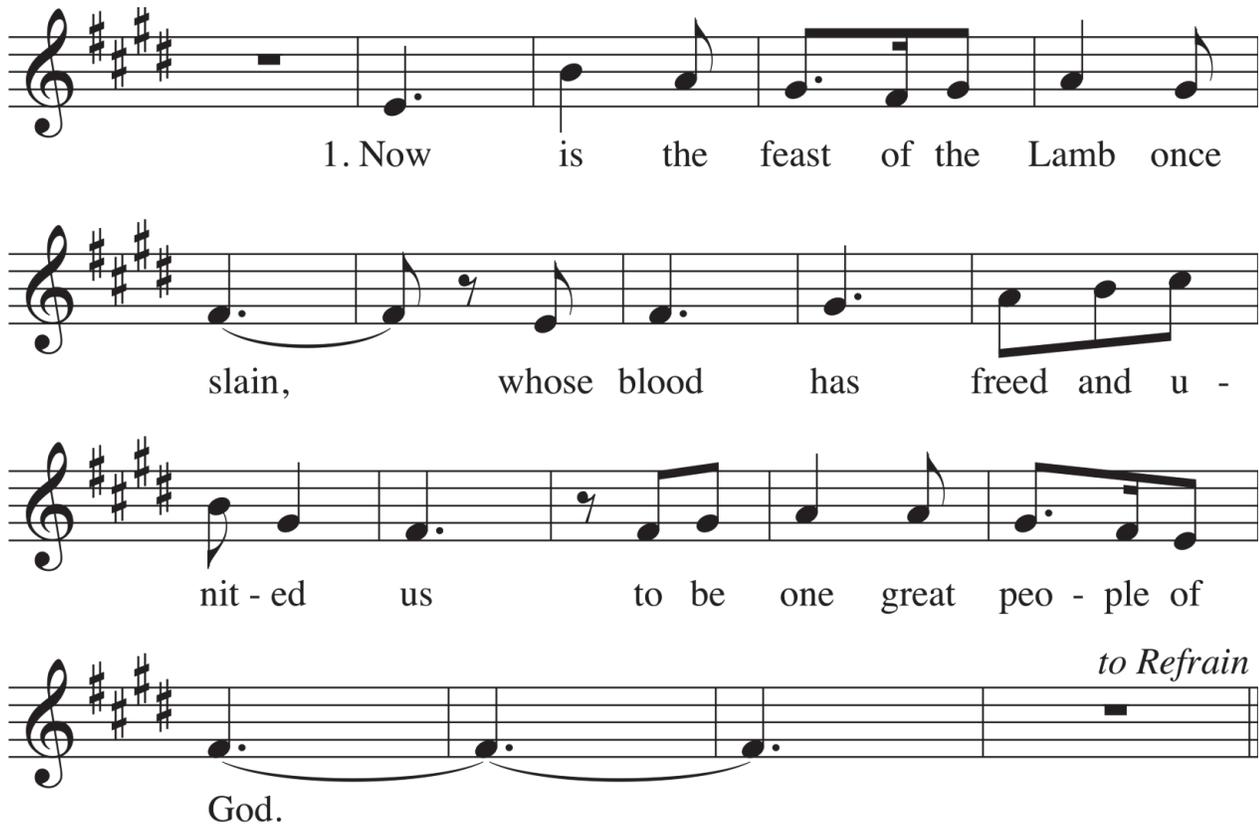
(Refrain-sung by all, Vs. 1 women only, Vs. 2 men only, Vs. 3 All)

#### Refrain

*Congregation:*



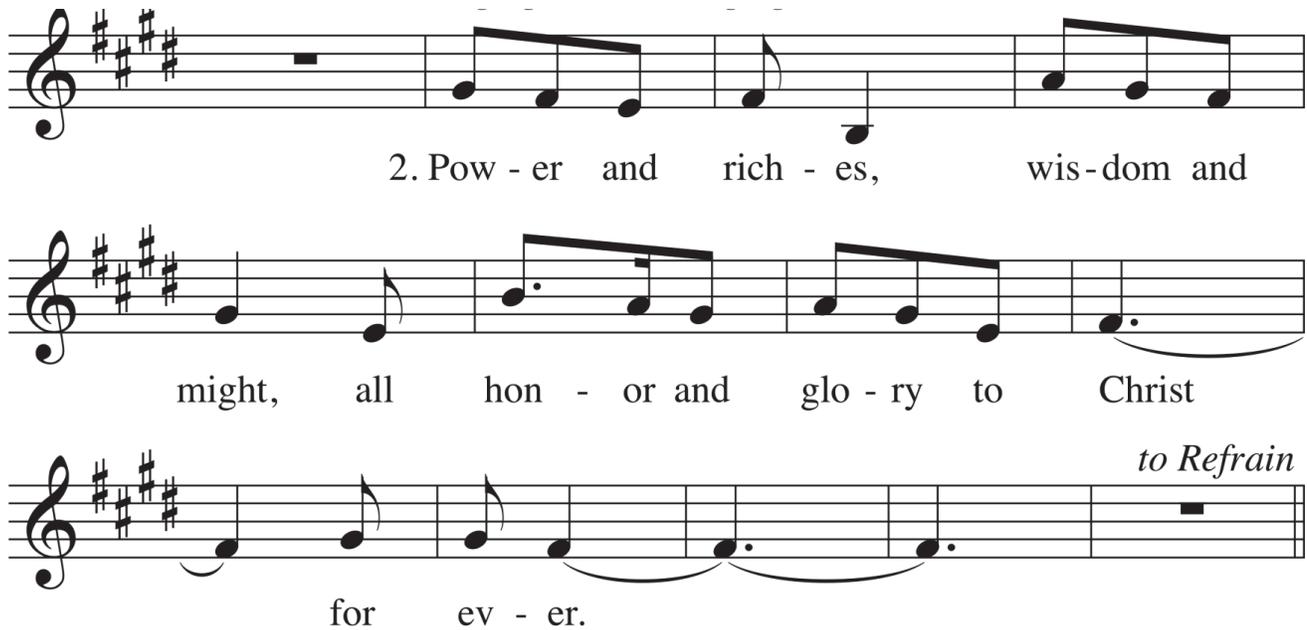
**Verse 1 - Women**



1. Now is the feast of the Lamb once  
slain, whose blood has freed and u -  
nit - ed us to be one great peo - ple of  
God. *to Refrain*

The musical notation for Verse 1 - Women is written on four staves. The key signature is three sharps (F#, C#, G#) and the time signature is 4/4. The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes, with some notes beamed together. The lyrics are placed below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes. The word "God." is followed by a bracketed section labeled "to Refrain" which contains three dotted quarter notes.

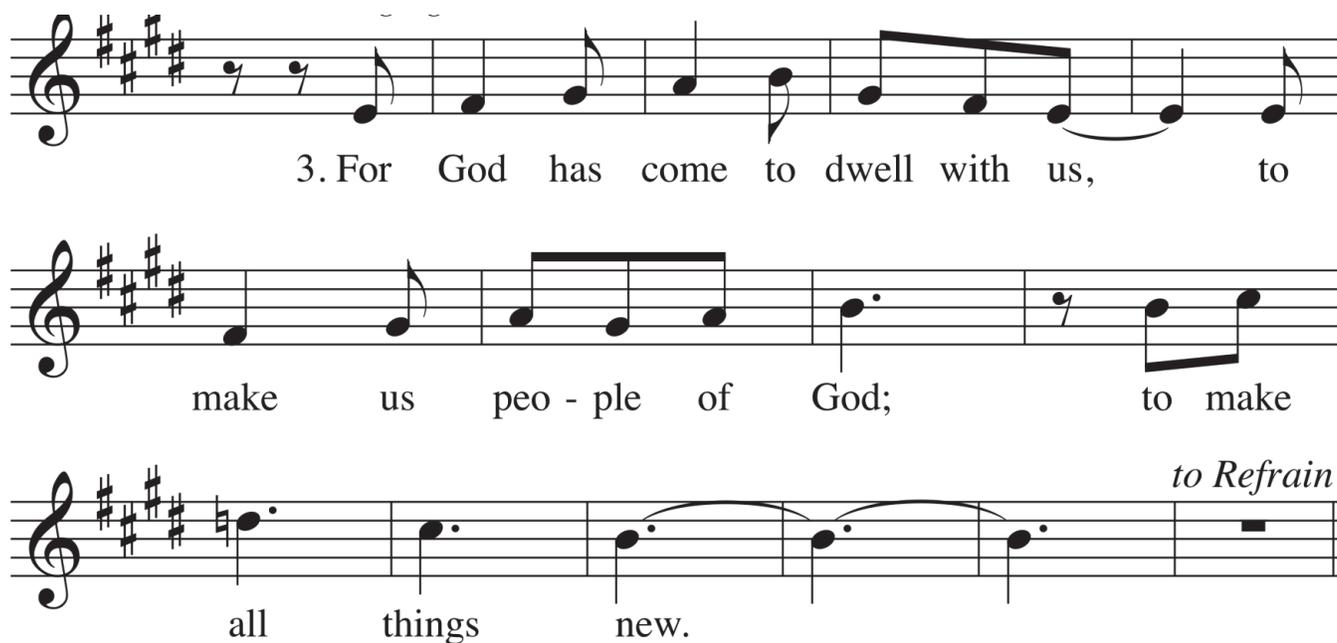
**Verse 2 - Men**



2. Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and  
might, all hon - or and glo - ry to Christ  
for ev - er. *to Refrain*

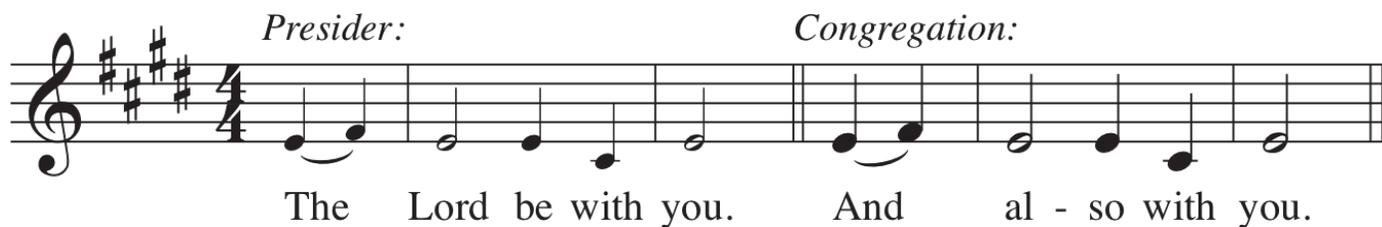
The musical notation for Verse 2 - Men is written on three staves. The key signature is three sharps (F#, C#, G#) and the time signature is 4/4. The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes, with some notes beamed together. The lyrics are placed below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes. The word "Christ" is followed by a bracketed section labeled "to Refrain" which contains three dotted quarter notes.

### Verse 3 - All



3. For God has come to dwell with us, to  
make us peo - ple of God; to make  
all things new. *to Refrain*

### ◆ SALUTATION



*Presider:* The Lord be with you. *Congregation:* And al - so with you.

### ◆ PRAYER OF THE DAY

AM Let us pray ...

O God of peace, you brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great shepherd of the sheep. By the blood of your eternal covenant, make us complete in everything good that we may do your will, and work among us all that is well-pleasing in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

*(Please pass prayer cards to the aisle.)*

# Word

## FIRST READING

Acts 9:36-43

*Dorcas was a faithful and devoted woman of charity in the community of Joppa. Her kindness and her work with clothing were well-known, especially to the widows in town. When she fell ill and died, Peter raised her back to life through the power of prayer.*

<sup>36</sup> Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. <sup>37</sup> At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. <sup>38</sup> Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." <sup>39</sup> So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. <sup>40</sup> Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. <sup>41</sup> He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. <sup>42</sup> This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. <sup>43</sup> Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

L Word of God. Word of Life.

**C Thanks be to God.**



## PSALM

## Psalm 23

*The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not be in want. (Ps. 23:1)*

- <sup>1</sup> The LORD <sup>1</sup> is my shepherd;  
I shall not <sup>1</sup> be in want.
- <sup>2</sup> **The LORD makes me lie down <sup>1</sup> in green pastures  
and leads me be- <sup>1</sup> side still waters.**
- <sup>3</sup> You restore my <sup>1</sup> soul, O LORD,  
and guide me along right pathways <sup>1</sup> for your name's sake.
- <sup>4</sup> **Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall <sup>1</sup> fear no evil;  
for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they <sup>1</sup> comfort me.**
- <sup>5</sup> You prepare a table before me in the presence <sup>1</sup> of my enemies;  
you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is <sup>1</sup> running over.
- <sup>6</sup> **Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days <sup>1</sup> of my life,  
and I will dwell in the house of the <sup>1</sup> LORD forever.**

## SECOND READING

Revelation 7:9-17

*Christ is the shepherd who leads his faithful to springs of the water of life. Christ is also the lamb who vanquishes sin and suffering.*

- <sup>9</sup> After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. <sup>10</sup> They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!"
- <sup>11</sup> And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, <sup>12</sup> singing,
- "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom

and thanksgiving and honor  
and power and might  
be to our God forever and ever! Amen.”

<sup>13</sup> Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?” <sup>14</sup> I said to him, “Sir, you are the one that knows.” Then he said to me, “These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

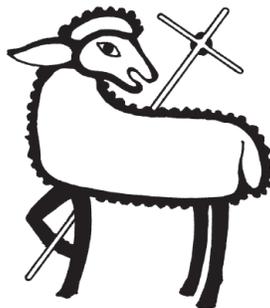
<sup>15</sup> For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.

<sup>16</sup> They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat;

<sup>17</sup> for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

L Word of God. Word of Life.

**C Thanks be to God.**



## ◆ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Congregation:*

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

*Optional Repeat*

## ◆ HOLY GOSPEL

John 10:22-30

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twenty-second chapter.

**C** **Glory to you, O Lord.**

*Jesus responds to questions about his identity with the remarkable claim that he and the Father are one. Those who understand this are his sheep; they hear his voice, follow, and will never be snatched from his hand.*

<sup>22</sup> At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, <sup>23</sup> and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. <sup>24</sup> So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." <sup>25</sup> Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; <sup>26</sup> but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. <sup>27</sup> My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. <sup>28</sup> I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. <sup>29</sup> What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. <sup>30</sup> The Father and I are one."

**P** The Gospel of the Lord.

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

CHILDREN'S SERMON  
SERMON

Pastor John Guthridge  
Pastor John Guthridge

◆HYMN OF THE DAY "Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us" **ELW 789**

**All Verses**



1 Sav - ior like a shep - herd lead us; much we need your ten - der care.  
2 We are yours; in love be - friend us, be the guard - ian of our way;  
3 You have prom - ised to re - ceive us, poor and sin - ful though we be;  
4 Ear - ly let us seek your fa - vor, ear - ly let us do your will;



In your pleas - ant pas - tures feed us, for our use your fold pre - pare.  
keep your flock, from sin de - fend us, seek us when we go a - stray.  
you have mer - cy to re - lieve us, grace to cleanse, and pow' r to free.  
bless - ed Lord and on - ly Sav - ior, with your love our spir - its fill.



Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, you have bought us; we are yours.  
Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, hear us chil - dren when we pray.  
Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, ear - ly let us turn to you.  
Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, you have loved us, love us still.



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Text: attr. Dorothy A. Thrupp, 1779-1847  
Music: BRADBURY, William B. Bradbury, 1816-1868

## ◆ NICENE CREED

**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary  
and became truly human.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*(after each petition the following response is read)*

AM Hear us, O God.      **C Your mercy is great.**

# Meal

## THE PEACE IS SHARED

AM The peace of the Lord be with you all. **C And also with you.**

*The peace is shared with one another with the words,  
“The peace of the Lord,” or similar words.*

OFFERTORY: Choral Anthem “The Twenty-Third Psalm”

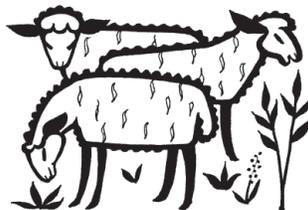
- arr. Jay Althouse

The TEXT is a paraphrase of Psalm 23. See today’s Psalm, p. 9.

## ◆ THE OFFERTORY PRAYER

AM Let us pray.

**C Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**





P "It is our duty and delight, .....

..... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:"

## Holy, Holy, Holy

Marty Haugen



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and



might; heav - en and earth are filled with your



glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is the one who comes in your name. Ho -



san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

P In the night in which he was betrayed .....

..... Do this for the remembrance of me.

## ◆ 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.**



**COMMUNION** *All who are baptized in the common faith of Jesus Christ crucified are welcome to receive communion. We believe that the body and blood of our Lord is truly present in the sharing of bread and wine. Children are welcome to commune at the discretion of their parents. Those who do not receive the bread and wine are welcome to receive a blessing. White grape juice is also available.*

**If you desire to commune at the altar rail:** Holy Communion at the altar is served in groups. To prevent crowding, please wait in your place until directed by the Ushers. Be sure to bring your cup with you. At the altar rail, you'll be served a small piece of bread and have wine or grape juice poured into your cup. After you have communed, wait for the pastor to dismiss you back to your place.

**If coming forward is difficult:** Please let an usher know that you would like to receive communion at your seat. After those coming to the altar have been served, Pastor will bring communion to you at your seat.

# HYMNS DURING COMMUNION

## "Lamb of God"

Marty Haugen

*Congregation:*                      *Congregation or assistant:*

Lamb of God,                      you take a - way the sin of the

*Congregation:*

world:                      have mer - cy on us,                      mer - cy on us,

*Final time: Cong. or assistant:*

mer - cy on us.                      Lamb of God,                      you

*Congregation:*

take a - way the sin of the world:                      grant us peace,

grant us peace,                      grant us                      peace.

*Additional invocations:*

you break the chains of hatred and fear:  
 you are the way of justice and peace:  
 you are the way of mercy and love:

*continued on next page*

- "Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness" - **ELW 843**  
"The Lord's My Shepherd" - **ELW 778**  
"Come, Let Us Join Our Cheerful Songs" - **ELW 847**  
"Have No Fear, Little Flock" - **ELW 764**  
"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" - **ELW 631**

## POST COMMUNION BLESSING

**P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**



# Sending

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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◆SENDING HYMN

"Thanks Be To You"

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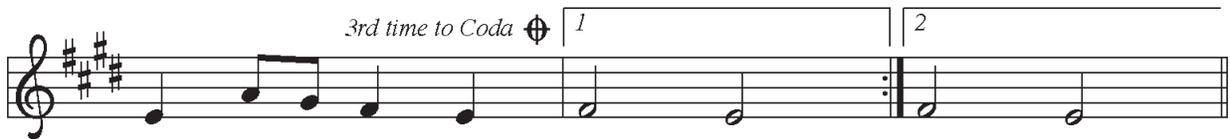
All Verses



1 Praise to you, O God of mer - cy: thanks be to you for -  
 2 From of old you loved and sought us: thanks be to you for -  
 3 Praise to you, O God of mer - cy: thanks be to you for -



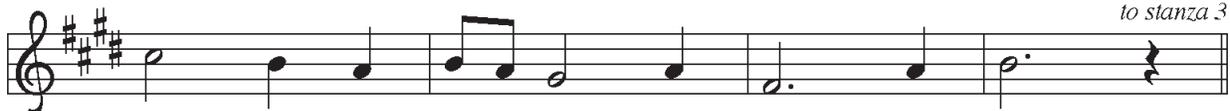
ev - er! Rais - ing high the weak and low - ly:  
 ev - er! Truth and jus - tice you have taught us:  
 ev - er! Rais - ing high the weak and low - ly:



thanks be to you for - ev - er!  
 thanks be to you for - ev - er!  
 thanks be to you for -



Strong is your faith - ful - ness, strong is your love, re -



mem - b'ring your cov - e - nant of life with us.

⊕ Coda



ev - er! Thanks be to you for - ev - er!

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*Scripture Readings for next Sunday, May 18, are:*

**Acts 11:1-18**

**Psalm 148**

**Revelation 21:1-6**

**John 13:31-35**



Thank you to all who serve in worship!

	<b>Serving Sunday May 11</b>	<b>Serving Next Sunday May 18</b>
<b>Presiding Minister</b>	Pastor John Guthridge	Pastor John Guthridge
<b>Music Ministers</b>	Barbara Fredrickson Peter Blau Ormsby	Barbara Fredrickson Peter Blau Ormsby
<b>Assisting Minister</b>	Chris Omdal	Jerry Benson
<b>Acolyte</b>	Eva Kllogjeri	Blake Caldwell
<b>Lector</b>	Kris Merritt	Larry Olsen
<b>Greeters</b>	Steven Dahl Janet Wyman	Linda Tyler Karson Englund
<b>Ushers</b>	Bonnie & Bud Bowers	Larry & Susie Forsythe
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Janet Wyman Susie Forsythe	Susie Forsythe Terri Olsen
<b>Fellowship Hosts</b>	Anne & Bob Kuntz Linda & David Vague	Jean & Mike Miller Barb Leander
<b>Flowers</b>	Jeff & Stephanie Knutzen	Steven & Sarah Dahl
<b>Council Member of the Day</b>	Laura Engebretsen	Linda Tyler



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