

Welcome to Edison Lutheran Church

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Ascension of Our Lord
June 1, 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,
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Holy Communion

Ascension of Our Lord

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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

10:25 am Pre-Service Music for meditation and quiet gathering

BELL TOLL

WELCOME AND GREETING

PRELUDE

"A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing"

(tune: Lasst uns erfreuen) - Paul Manz

For the TEXT, see Gathering Hymn, p. 4.

◆ 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 "A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing!"

ELW 393

All Verses



1 A hymn of glo - ry let us sing! New hymns through-out the world shall
 2 The ho - ly ap - os - tol - ic band up - on the Mount of Ol - ives
 3 To whom the shin - ing an - gels cry, "Why stand and gaze up - on the
 4 "You see him now, as-cend-ing high up to the por-tals of the
 5 O ris - en Christ, as-cend-ed Lord, all praise to you let earth ac -



ring: Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Christ, by a road be - fore un -
 stand, Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! and with his faith-ful fol-l'wers
 sky?" Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! "This is the Sav-ior!" thus they
 sky." Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! "Here - af - ter Je - sus you shall
 cord: Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! You are, while end-less ag - es



trod, as - cends un - to the throne of God.
 see their Lord as-cend in maj - es - ty.
 say, "this is his glo-rious tri-umph day!" Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le -
 see re - turn - ing in great maj - es - ty."
 run, with Fa - ther and with Spir - it one.



lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia!

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 Music: LASST UNS ERFREUEN, *Geistliche Kirchengesänge*, Köln, 1623
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◆ 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)

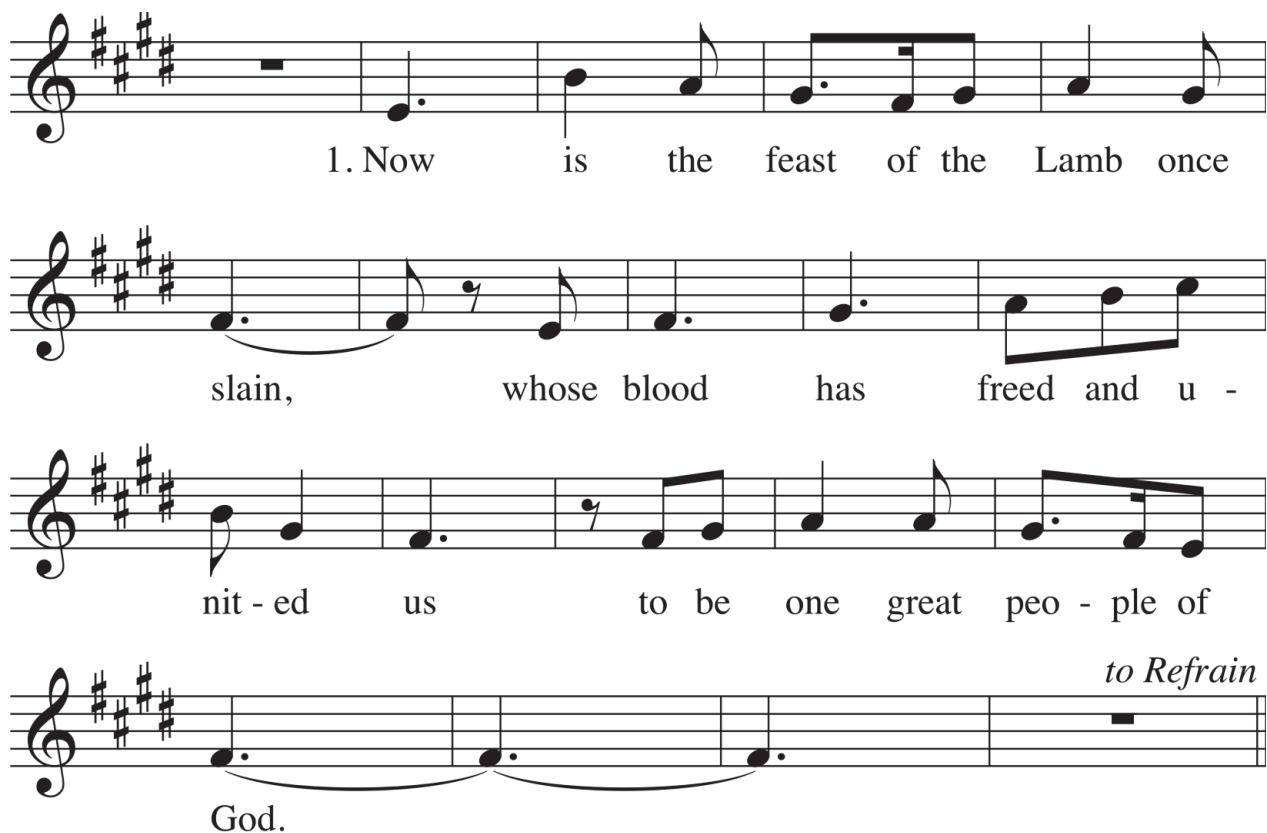
Refrain

Congregation:

The musical score is written for a single melodic line in treble clef. The key signature consists of four sharps (F#, C#, G#, D#), and the time signature is 3/8. The melody is composed of eighth and quarter notes, with some measures containing beamed eighth notes. The lyrics are written below the staff, aligned with the notes. The score is divided into five lines of music.

Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion,
all of cre - a - tion sings for joy
to the God of life and love and
free-dom: praise and glo - ry for ev -
er - more!

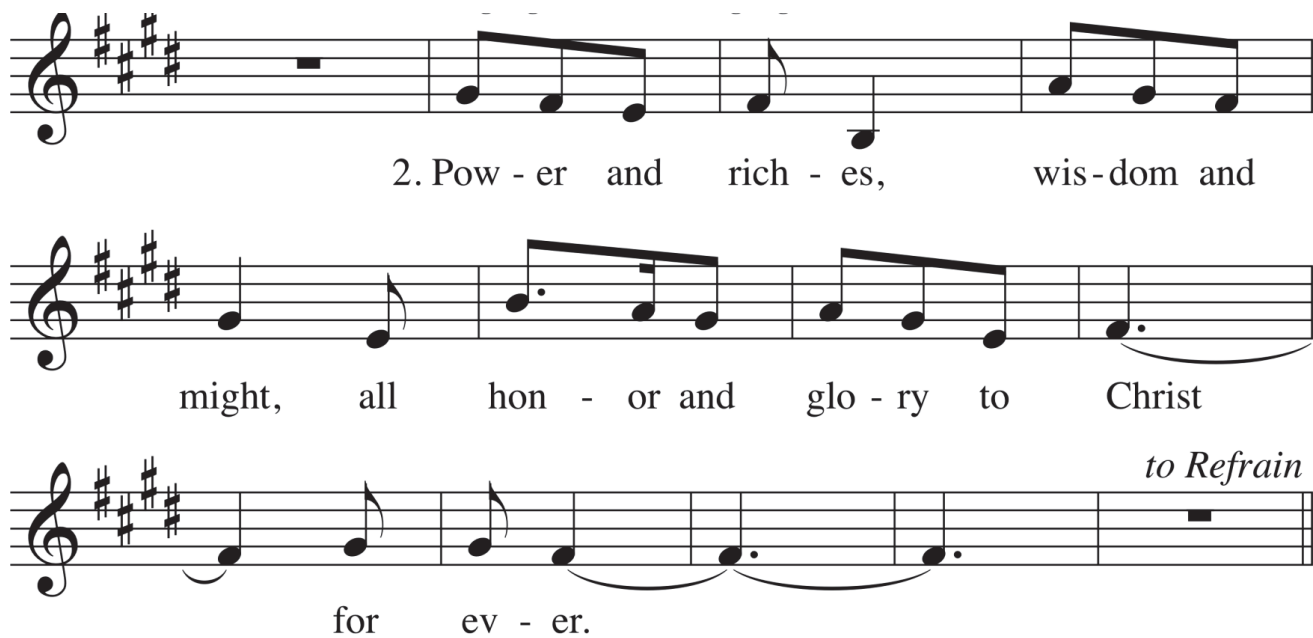
Verse 1 - Women



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 is written on four staves in the key of D major (indicated by two sharps). The melody is in a soprano range. The first staff begins with a whole rest, followed by a half note G4, a quarter note A4, a half note B4, a quarter note C5, a half note D5, and a quarter note E5. The second staff continues with a half note F#5, a quarter note G5, a half note A5, a quarter note B5, a half note C6, and a quarter note D6. The third staff begins with a half note E6, a quarter note F#6, a half note G6, a quarter note A6, a half note B6, and a quarter note C7. The fourth staff continues with a half note D7, a quarter note E7, a half note F#7, a quarter note G7, a half note A7, and a quarter note B7. The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across notes.

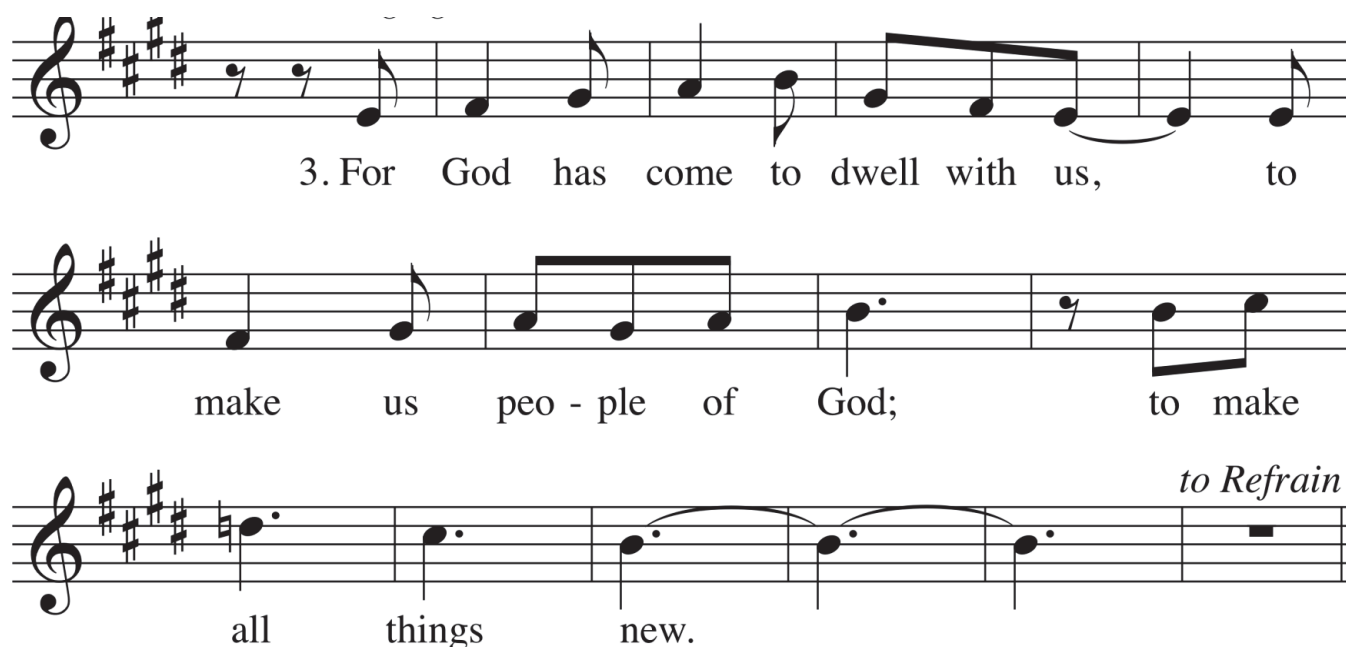
Verse 2 - Men



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 is written on three staves in the key of D major. The melody is in a soprano range. The first staff begins with a whole rest, followed by a half note G4, a quarter note A4, a half note B4, a quarter note C5, a half note D5, and a quarter note E5. The second staff continues with a half note F#5, a quarter note G5, a half note A5, a quarter note B5, a half note C6, and a quarter note D6. The third staff begins with a half note E6, a quarter note F#6, a half note G6, a quarter note A6, a half note B6, and a quarter note C7. The fourth staff continues with a half note D7, a quarter note E7, a half note F#7, a quarter note G7, a half note A7, and a quarter note B7. The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across 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 ...

Almighty God, your only Son was taken into the heavens and in your presence intercedes for us. Receive us and our prayers for all the world, and in the end bring everything into your glory, through Jesus Christ, our Sovereign 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 1:1-11

Before he is lifted into heaven, Jesus promises that the missionary work of the disciples will spread out from Jerusalem to all the world. His words provide an outline of the book of Acts.

[Luke writes:] ¹ In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning ² until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. ³ After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. ⁴ While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. “This,” he said, “is what you have heard from me; ⁵ for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.”

⁶ So when they had come together, they asked him, “Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?” ⁷ He replied, “It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. ⁸ But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” ⁹ When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. ¹⁰ While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. ¹¹ They said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.”

L Word of God. Word of Life.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 47

God has gone up with a shout. (Ps. 47:5)



- ¹ Clap your hands, | all you peoples;
shout to God with a | joyful sound.
- ² **For the LORD Most High is | to be feared:**
a great king over | all the earth,
- ³ who subdues the | peoples under us,
and the nations un- | der our feet;
- ⁴ **who chooses our inheri- | tance for us,**
the pride of Jacob, | whom God loves.
- ⁵ God has gone up | with a shout,
the LORD with the sound | of the ram's horn.
- ⁶ **Sing praises to | God, sing praises;**
sing praises to our | king, sing praises.
- ⁷ For God is king of | all the earth;
sing praises | with a song.
- ⁸ **God reigns o- | ver the nations;**
God is en- | throned on high.
- ⁹ The nobles of the peoples have gathered as the people of the | God
of Abraham.
- The rulers of the earth belong to God, who is high- | ly exalted.



SECOND READING

Ephesians 1:15-23

The risen and exalted Christ reigns over the entire universe even as he is present in all times and places.

¹⁵ I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason ¹⁶ I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. ¹⁷ I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, ¹⁸ so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, ¹⁹ and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. ²⁰ God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, ²¹ far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. ²² And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, ²³ which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

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◆ 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

Luke 24:44–53

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-fourth chapter.

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

On the day of his ascension, Jesus leaves his disciples with a commission, a blessing, and a promise of the Holy Spirit.

⁴⁴ [Jesus said to the eleven and those with them,] “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.”⁴⁵ Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, ⁴⁶and he said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, ⁴⁷and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be

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proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸ You are witnesses of these things. ⁴⁹ And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high.”

⁵⁰ Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. ⁵¹ While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. ⁵² And they worshiped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; ⁵³ and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.



CHILDREN'S SERMON

Pastor John Guthridge

SERMON

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◆ HYMN OF THE DAY "Lord, You Give the Great Commission" **ELW 579**
Verses 1, 3, and 5



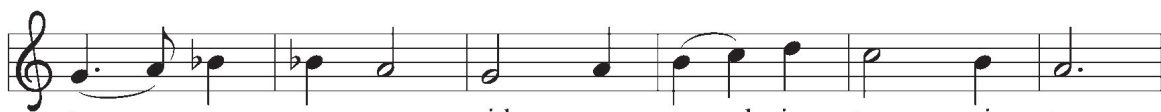
1 Lord, you give the great com - mis-sion: "Heal the sick and
 2 Lord, you call us to your ser-vice: "In my name bap -
 3 Lord, you make the com - mon ho - ly: "This my bod - y,
 4 Lord, you show us love's true mea-sure: "Fa - ther, what they
 5 Lord, you bless with words as - sur - ing: "I am with you



preach the word." Lest the church ne - glect its mis - sion,
 tize and teach." That the world may trust your prom-ise,
 this my blood." Let us all, for earth's true glo - ry,
 do, for - give." Yet we hoard as pri - vate trea - sure
 to the end." Faith and hope and love re - stor - ing,



and the gos - pel go un - heard, help us wit - ness
 life a - bun - dant meant for each, give us all new
 dai - ly lift life heav - en - ward, ask - ing that the
 all that you so free - ly give. May your care and
 may we serve as you in - tend and, a - mid the



to your pur - pose with re - newed in - teg - ri - ty:
 fer - vor, draw us clos - er in com - mu - ni - ty:
 world a - round us share your chil - dren's lib - er - ty:
 mer - cy lead us to a just so - ci - e - ty:
 cares that claim us, hold in mind e - ter - ni - ty:



Refrain
 With the Spir-it's gifts em-pow'r us for the work of min - is - try.

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◆ 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 "Alleluia! Sing to Jesus""

- Six/Prichard—music by Eugene Butler

Vs 1:
(Choir only) Alleluia! Sing to Jesus, His the scepter, His the throne.
Alleluia! His the triumph, His the victory alone.
Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion thunder like a mighty flood:
"Jesus out of ev'ry nation has redeemed us by His blood."

Vs 2:
(Choir only) Alleluia! Not as orphans are we left in sorrow now.
Alleluia! He is near us, faith believes, nor questions how.
Though the cloud from sight received Him when the forty days were o'er,
Shall our hearts forget his promise: "I am with you evermore"?

Vs 1 repeat: **(Choir and Congregation)**



THE OFFERING

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◆ 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.**

◆ THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Marty Haugen

Presider: *Congregation:*

The Lord be with you. And al - so with

Presider: *Congregation:*

you. Lift up your hearts. We

Presider:

lift them to the Lord. Let us give

Congregation:

thanks to the Lord our God. It is

right to give God thanks and praise.

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:



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| "O Day of Rest and Gladness" | - ELW 521 |
| "O Christ, Our Hope" | - ELW 604 |
| "Beautiful Savior" | - ELW 838 |
| "Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing" | - ELW 389 |
| "Lord, Enthroned in Heavenly Splendor" | - ELW 475 |

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

Congratulations to our Youth Group High School Seniors!

Sara Omdal, Will Benson, Hailey Wick, Jocelyn Almanza,
Lily Bransford, Luke Martin, Taylor Erickson,
Erica Schweigert, Marcos Vidal

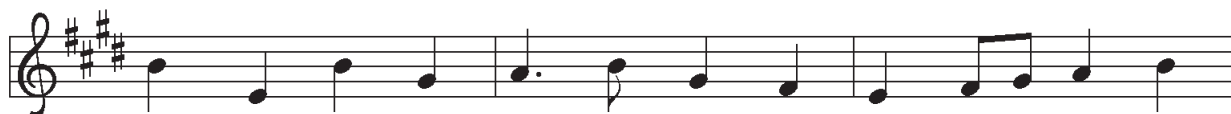
C **O God, you have called your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give these graduates faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where they go, but only that your hand is leading them and your love supporting them; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

◆SENDING HYMN

"Thanks Be to You"

Marty Haugen

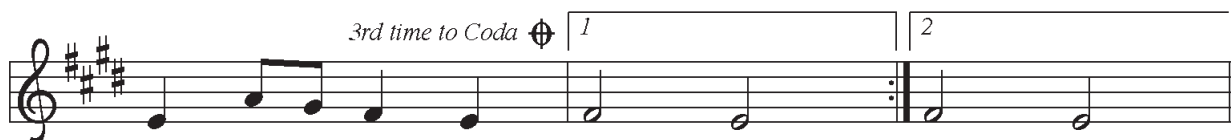
All Verses



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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◆ BENEDICTION

Presider: May God bless and keep us.
May God's face shine on us and be gracious.
May God look on us with favor and ☩ give us peace.

Presider: *Congregation:*



— give us peace. A - men.

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◆ SENDING

AM Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

"A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing"

- setting, Hal H. Hopson



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Thank you to all who serve in worship!

| | Serving Sunday June 1 | Serving Next Sunday June 8 |
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| Assisting Minister | Mark Johnson | Mandy Englund |
| Acolyte | Blake Caldwell | Jon Benson |
| Lector | Terri Olsen | Jenifer Troxel |
| Greeters | Susie Aarstad Kathy Shoop | Christie Peterson Darla Jensen |
| Ushers | Jon Aarstad Matt Benson | Keith Peterson Karson Englund |
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| Fellowship Hosts | Gailyn & Ron Ploeg Jolene Lomsdalen | Linda & Mark Johnson Judi & Jerry Butterfield |
| Flowers | Glenda Gundersen Debbie Lisser | Bruce & Debbie Lisser |
| Council Member of the Day | Judy Bendtsen | Linda Tyler |

Scripture Readings for next Sunday, June 8, Day of Pentecost, are:

Acts 2:1-21

Psalms 104:24-34, 35b

Romans 8:14-17

John 14:8-27

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