Welcome to Edison Lutheran Church

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Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost
15 November 2026
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.

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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 during reading of first lesson.

Gathering

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

BELL TOLL

WELCOME AND GREETING

PRELUDE "Deep River" - Harry Burleigh
Soloist: Betsy Senff

♦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 God of all mercy and consolation,
come to the aid of your people,
turning us from our sin to live for you alone.
Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that,
attentive to your Word, we may confess our sins,
receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of your Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord.
C Amen.

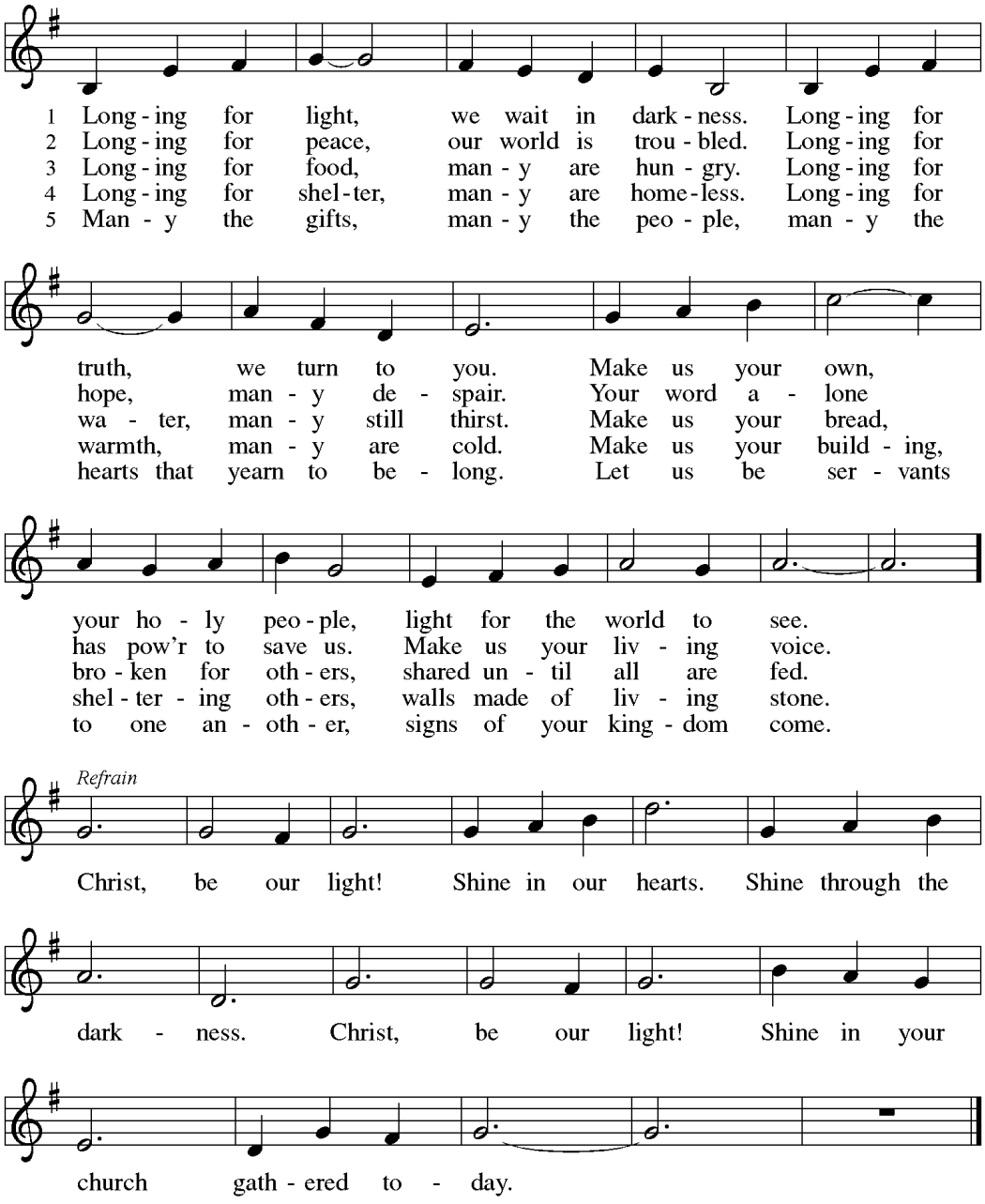
AM Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

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 "Christ, Be Our Light" **ELW 715**

Verses 1, 5



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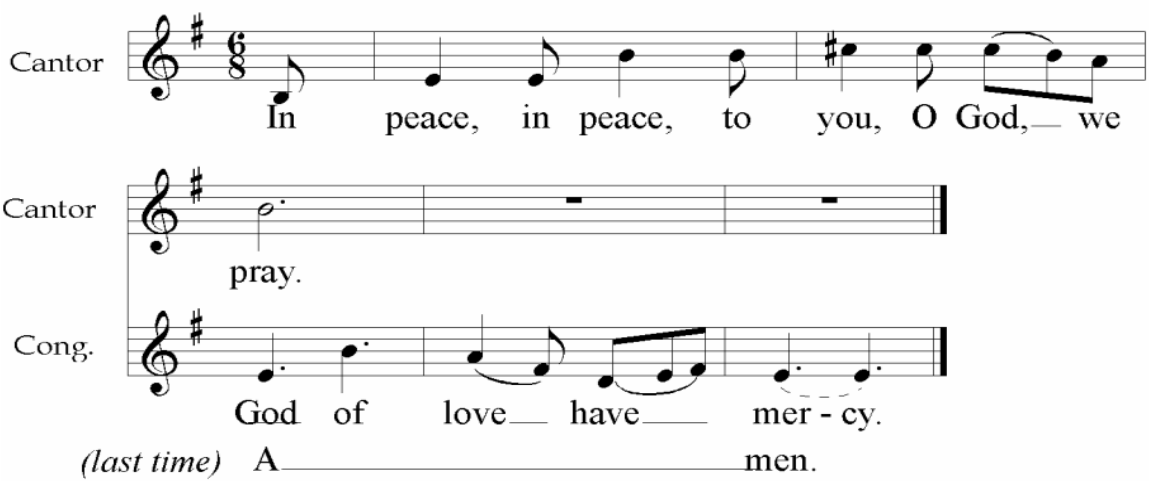
♦ GREETING

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.

♦KYRIE

Bonnie Drewes



Cantor: For broken lives and broken hearts we pray:
Cong: God of healing, have mercy.

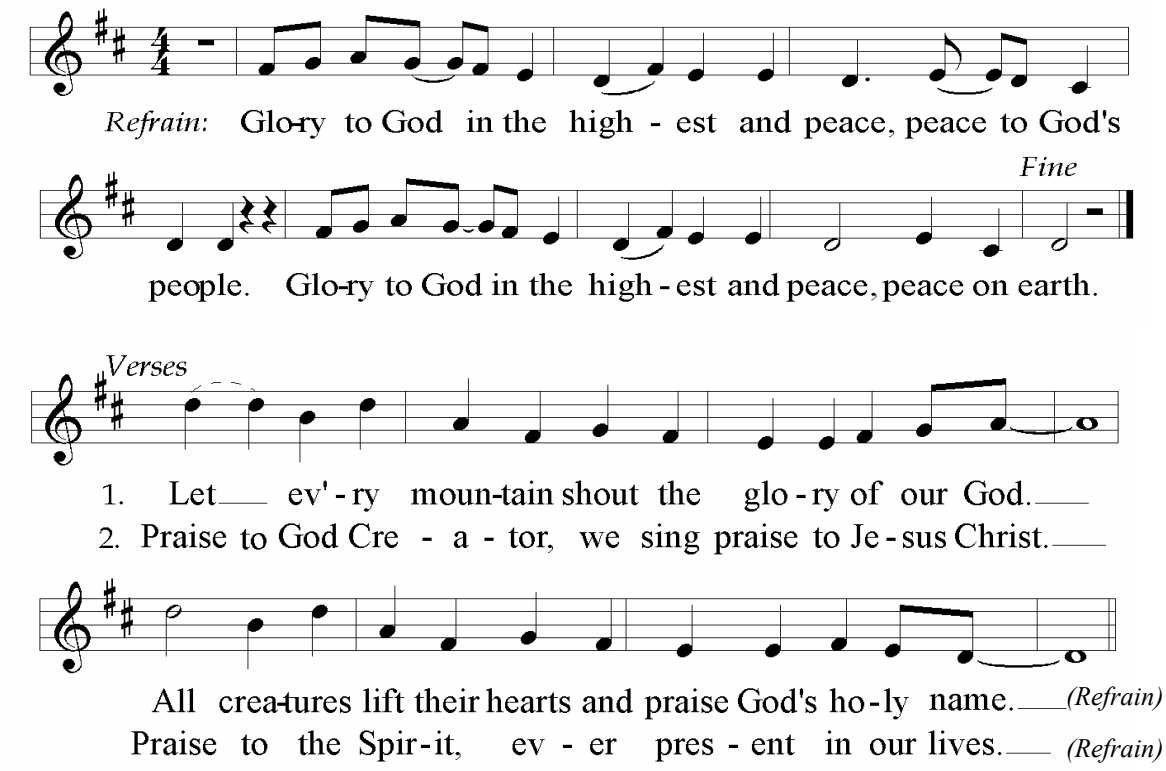
Cantor: For the unity of your church everywhere we pray:
Cong: God of hope, have mercy.

Cantor: That we might know the forgiveness you promise we pray:
Cong: God of grace, have mercy.

Cantor: For your parting gift of peace, O Lord, we pray:
Cong: A-----men.

♦ HYMN OF PRAISE

Bonnie Drewes



♦ PRAYER OF THE DAY

AM Righteous God, our merciful master, you own the earth and all its peoples, and you give us all that we have. Inspire us to serve you with justice and wisdom, and prepare us for the joy of the day of your coming, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C **Amen.**

(Please pass prayer cards to the aisle)

Word

FIRST READING — Zephaniah 1:7, 12–18

Zephaniah (like the prophet Amos in last week's first reading) presents the day of the Lord as one of judgment and wrath. Descriptions of the last day in the New Testament include details taken from Old Testament accounts of the day of the Lord.

7 Be silent before the Lord GOD,
for the day of the LORD is at hand!
The LORD has prepared a sacrifice;
he has consecrated his guests.

12 At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps,
and I will punish the people
who settle like dregs in wine,
those who say in their hearts,
"The LORD will not do good,
nor will he do harm."
13 Their wealth shall be plundered
and their houses laid waste.
Though they build houses,
they shall not inhabit them;
though they plant vineyards,
they shall not drink wine from them.

14 The great day of the LORD is near,
near and hastening fast;
the sound of the day of the LORD is bitter;
the warrior cries aloud there.
15 That day will be a day of wrath,
a day of distress and anguish,

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a day of ruin and devastation,
a day of darkness and gloom,
a day of clouds and thick darkness,
16 a day of trumpet blast and battle cry
against the fortified cities
and against the lofty battlements.

17 I will bring such distress upon people
that they shall walk like the blind;
because they have sinned against the LORD,
their blood shall be poured out like dust
and their flesh like dung.
18 Neither their silver nor their gold
will be able to save them
on the day of the LORD's wrath;
in the fire of his passion
the whole earth shall be consumed,
for a full, a terrible end
he will make of all the inhabitants of the earth.

L Word of God. Word of Life. **C Thanks be to God.**



CHORAL ANTHEM "Come Now, O God"

- Music: Finnish folk tune; Text: David Bjorlin

1 Come now, O God, when our love is forsaken.
Come, when our bedrock of faith has been shaken.
Come, when our deepest of hopes are mistaken.
Come, Emmanuel. Come, Emmanuel.

2 Come, when we squander the freedom you gave us.
Come, break the systems of sin that enslave us.
Come, though we wonder if you can still save us.
Come, Emmanuel. Come, Emmanuel.

3 Come, put an end to our self-serving madness.
Come, while the world is enshrouded in sadness.
Come, turn the tears of our mourning to gladness.
Come, Emmanuel. Come, Emmanuel.

SECOND READING 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

Though we do not know and cannot calculate the day of Christ's return, we live faithfully in the here and now as we anticipate the day when we will be given eternal salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ.

[1] Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do
not need to have anything written to you. [2] For you yourselves know very
well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. [3] When they
say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come
upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will
be no escape! [4] But you, brothers and sisters, are not in darkness, for that
day to surprise you like a thief; [5] for you are all children of light and
children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. [6] So, then, let
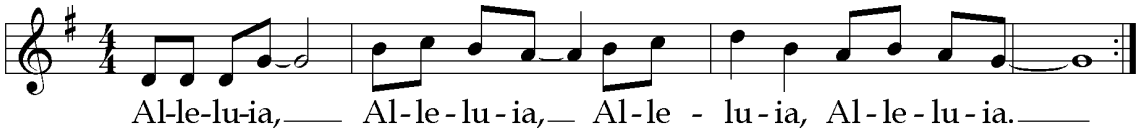
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us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober, [7] for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. [8] But since we belong to the day, let us be sober and put on the breastplate of faith and love and for a helmet the hope of salvation. [9] For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, [10] who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. [11] Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

L Word of God. Word of Life. **C Thanks be to God.**

♦GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Bonnie Drewes



♦HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 25:14-30

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-fifth chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus tells a parable about his second coming. Those who await his return should make good use of the gifts that God has provided them.

[Jesus said to the disciples:] [14] "For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; [15] to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. At once [16] the one who had received the five talents went off and traded with them and made five more talents. [17] In the same

way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. [18] But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. [19] After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. [20] Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.' [21] His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things; I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' [22] And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.' [23] His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things; I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' [24] Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow and gathering where you did not scatter, [25] so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' [26] But his master replied, 'You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow and gather where I did not scatter? [27] Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. [28] So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. [29] For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance, but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. [30] As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' "
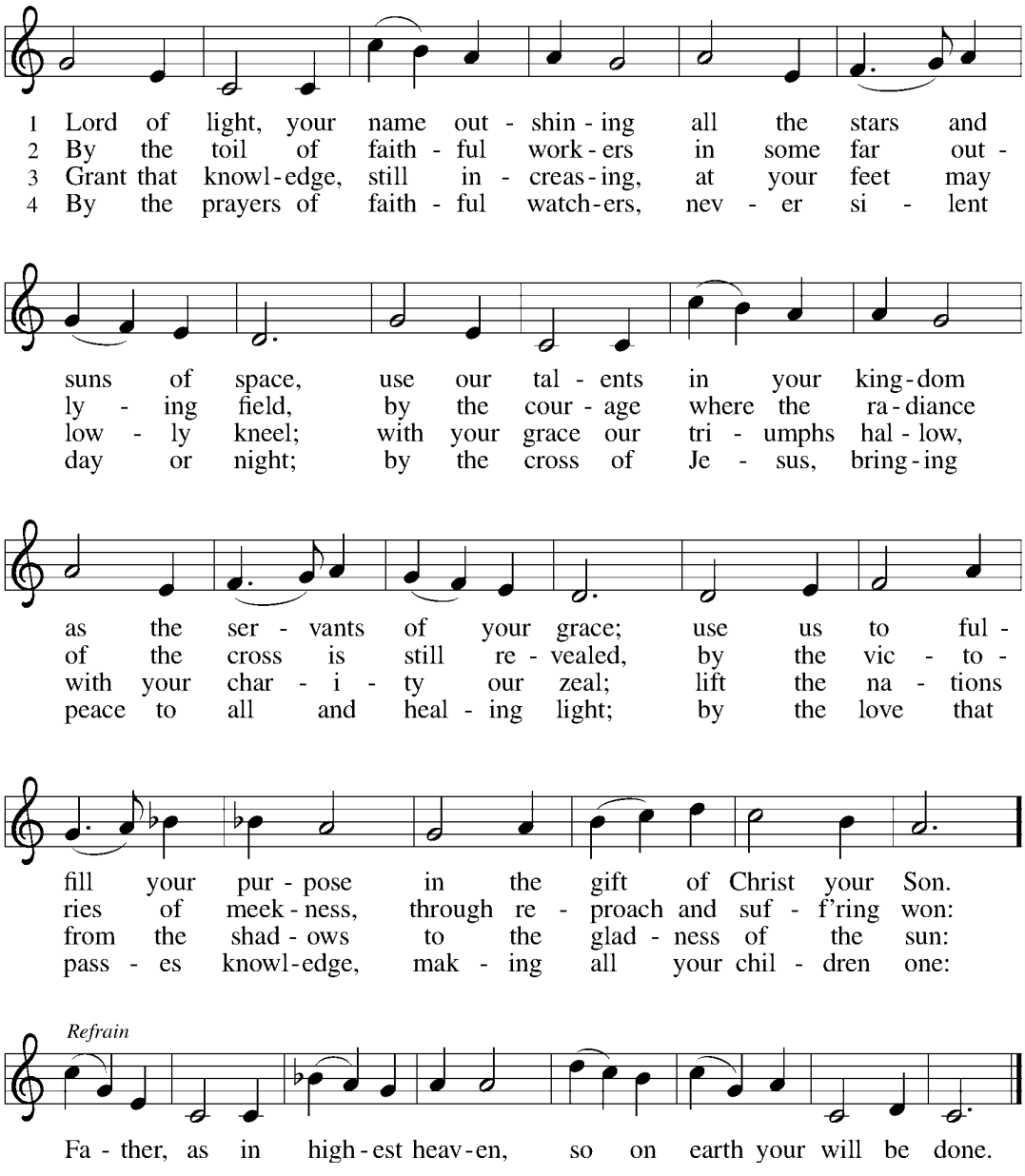
P The Gospel of the Lord. **C Praise to you, O Christ.**

CHILDREN'S SERMON Pastor John Guthridge

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♦HYMN OF THE DAY "Lord of Light" **ELW 688**

Verses 1-3



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Sacrament of Holy Baptism

We celebrate the Baptism of Cooper Evan Boyle,
child of Justin Boyle & Mariah Swanson.
Sponsors are David & Kimberly Gettmann.

PRESENTATION

P God, who is rich in mercy and love, gives us a new birth into a living hope through the sacrament of baptism. By water and the Word God delivers us from sin and death and raises us to new life in Jesus Christ. We are united with all the baptized in the one body of Christ, anointed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, and joined in God's mission for the life of the world.

PROFESSION OF FAITH (ELW p. 229)

P Do you believe in God the Father?

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

P Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

C 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.

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P Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

C 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.

THANKSGIVING AT THE FONT (ELW p. 230)

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P "We give you thanks, O God, ..."

BAPTISM (ELW p. 230)

P Cooper Evan Boyle, I baptize you in the name of
the Father,
and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.



P You belong to Christ,
in whom you have been baptized.

C Alleluia.

PRAYER AND ANOINTING

P Cooper Boyle, child of God, you have been
sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

C Amen.

WELCOME (ELW p. 231)

P Jesus said, I am the light of the world.
Whoever follows me
will have the light of life.
Let your light so shine before others

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that they may see your good work
and glorify your Father in heaven.
Let us welcome the newly baptized.

C We welcome you into the body of Christ
and into the mission we share:
join us in giving thanks and praise to God
and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.
Amen.

♦ PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

AM God, in your mercy, **C hear our prayer.**

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.*

THE OFFERING

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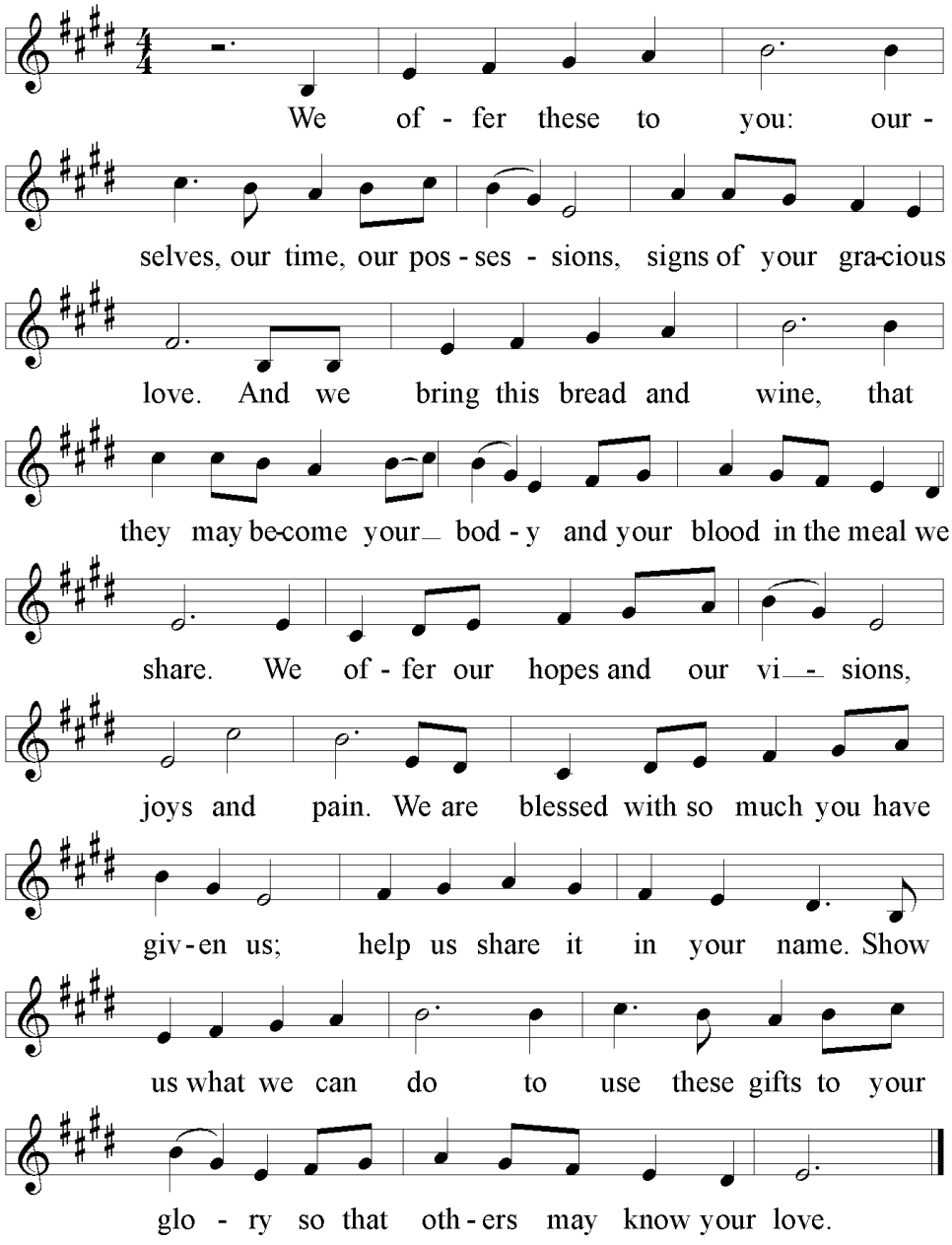


OFFERTORY "Elevation" - Theodore Dubois

Congregation remains seated while offering is collected.

♦OFFERTORY HYMN

Bonnie Drewes



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.*

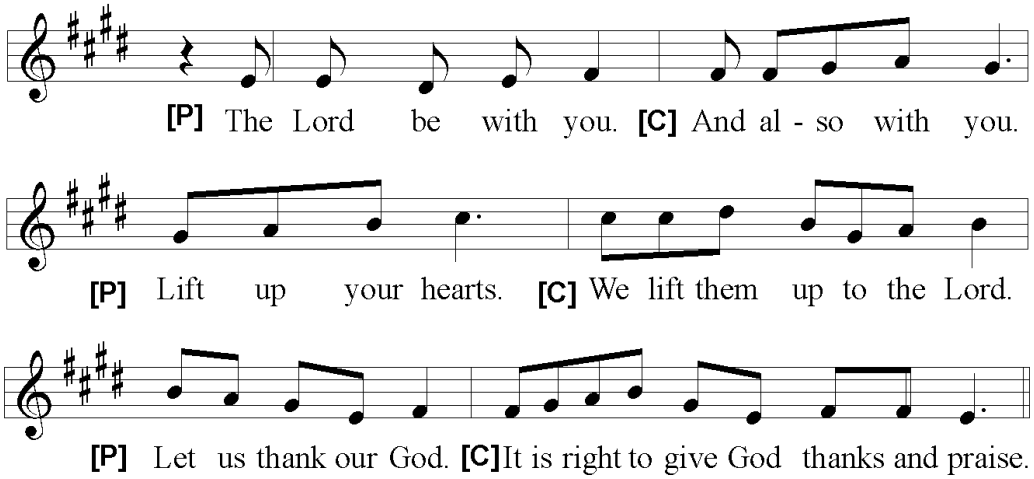
If you desire to commune at the altar rail: Holy Communion at the altar is served in groups. To prevent crowding, please wait in your place until directed by the Ushers. Be sure to bring your cup with you. At the altar rail, you'll be served a small piece of bread and have wine or grape juice poured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



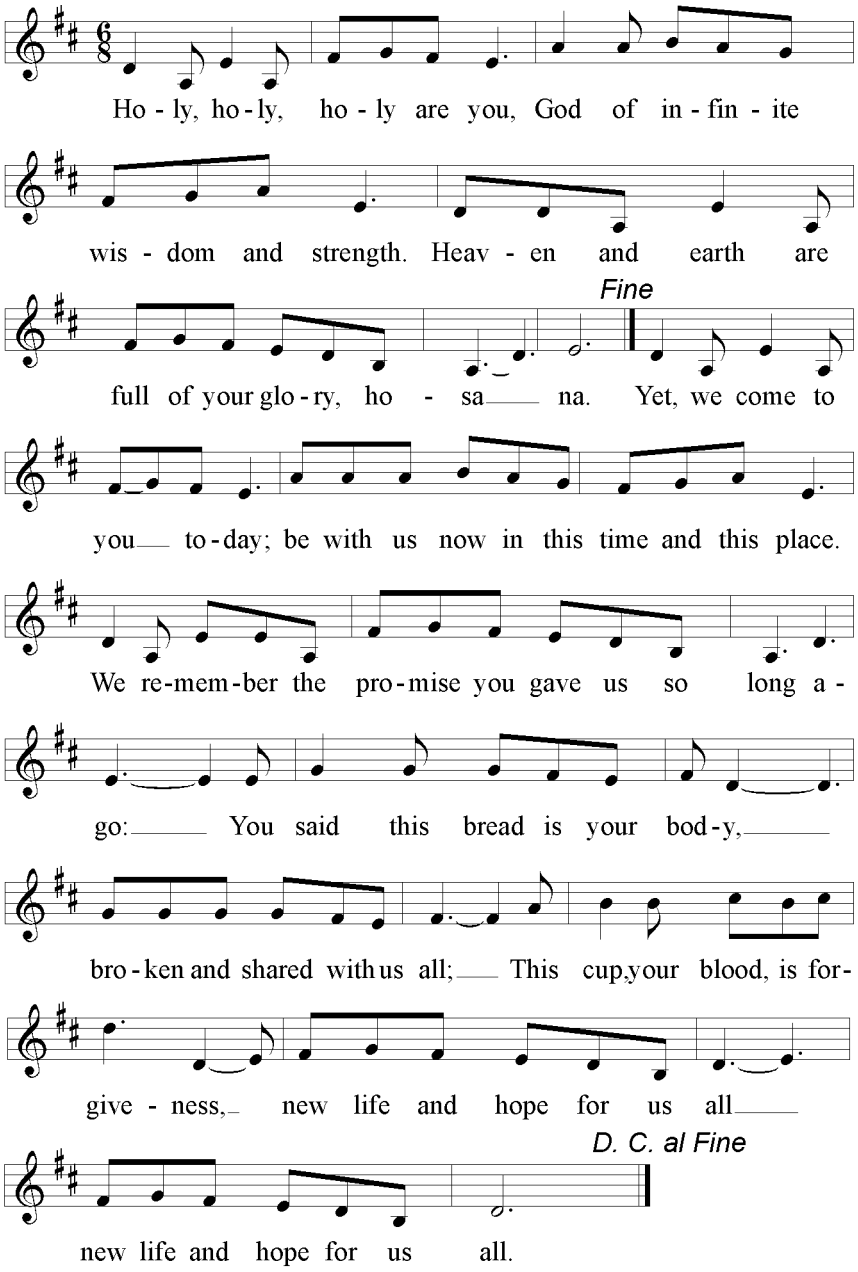
♦ THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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P "We should at all times and in all places offer our thanks and praise to you, ...

.... with the host of heaven and on earth we sing your praise....."



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

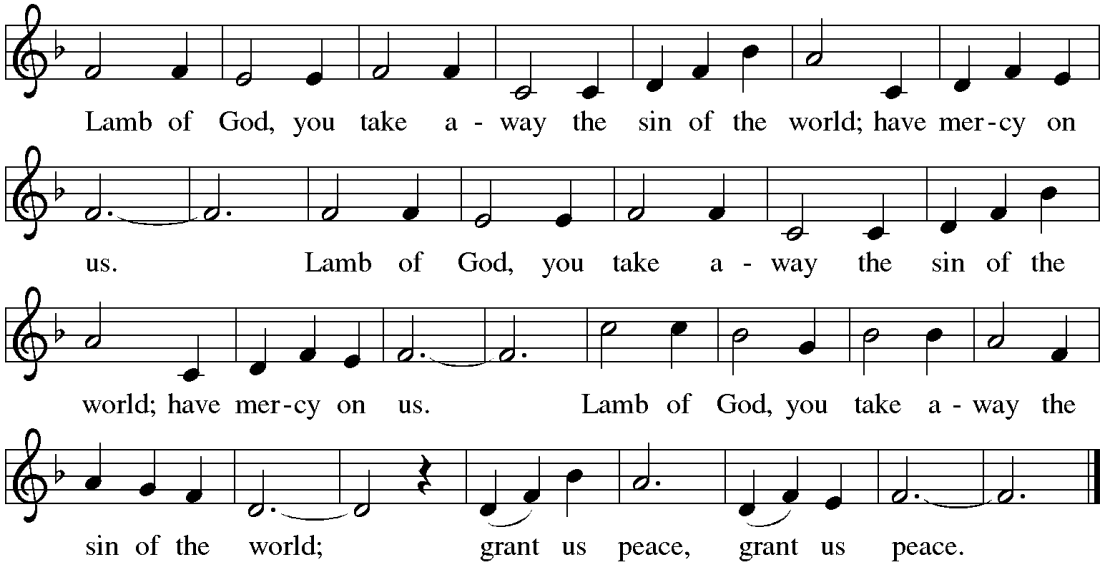
Do this for the remembrance of me.

♦ 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.

HYMN DURING COMMUNION

"Lamb of God" ELW 195



Music: *Bread of Life*, Jeremy Young, b. 1948
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Communion hymns:

"Come, Let Us Eat" - **ELW 491** Leader: Peter; All: Assembly
"Taste and See" - **ELW 493** Leader: Peter; Refrain: All

Instrumental music for quiet reflection during communion.

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

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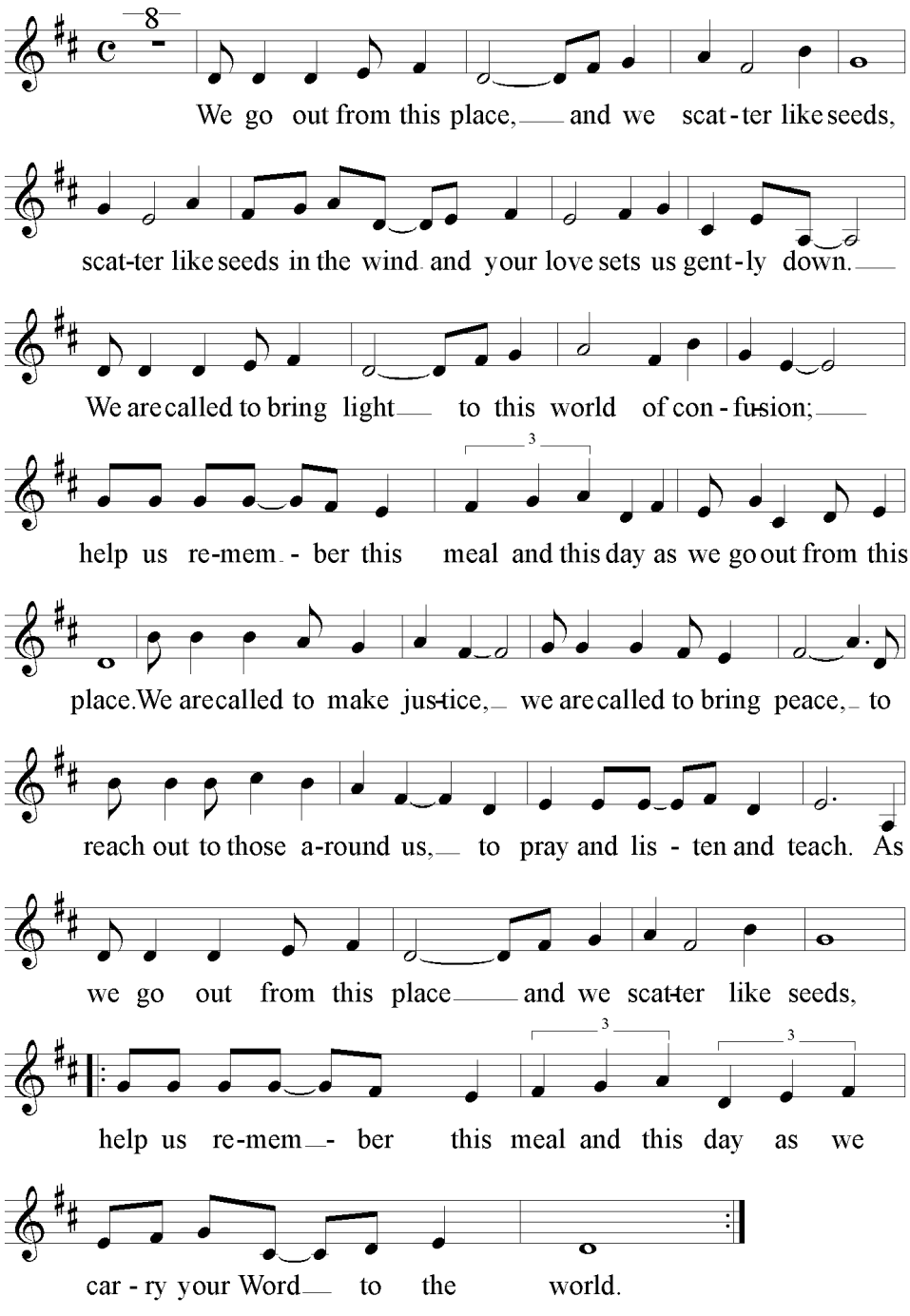
♦ BENEDICTION

P The peace of God,
Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit,
keep your hearts and your minds
in Christ Jesus.

C Amen.



♦SENDING HYMN "Sending Song" *Bonnie Drewes*



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♦SENDING

AM Go in peace. Encourage one another.

C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE "Blest Be the Tie That Binds"

- Johann G. Nageli/arr. Stephen P. Folkemer



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	Serving Sunday November 15	Serving Next Sunday November 22
Presiding Minister	Pastor John Guthridge	Pastor John Guthridge
Music Ministers	Barbara Fredrickson Peter Blau Ormsby	Barbara Fredrickson Peter Blau Ormsby
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Acolyte	Drake Conner	Cameron Dahl
Lector	Bonnie Bowers	Karyn Kerley
Greeters	Toni Ruhl Katy Olson	AnnaLaurie WattsonLamb Kathy Shoop
Ushers	Stephanie Knutzen Mark Johnson	Jon & Susan Aarstad
Altar Guild	Debbie Conijn Cathy Smith	Cathy Smith Kathy Shoop
Fellowship Hosts	Dotty Murray Bud & Bonnie Bowers Don & Marilyn Zorn	Parish Life Committee
Flowers	Tim & Karma Larson	Marion Hoag
Council Member of the Day	Larry Forsythe	Amber Lagerlund



Scripture Readings for next Sunday, November 22nd, are:

Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24 **Psalm 95:1-7a** **Ephesians 1:15-23** **Matthew 25:31-46**

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