



# ATONEMENT

LUTHERAN CHURCH

*“Sharing the Love of Jesus by Glorifying God and Extending His Kingdom”*



*Third Sunday After Pentecost*

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**Thank you** for choosing to worship with us today. Your presence here means a lot to us and to God. We desire your experience to be spiritually enriching and fulfilling. Come celebrate with us **each Sunday** and discover God's love.

### **Service Times**

**Sundays: 10:00 a.m.**

Those who are fully vaccinated are not required to mask.  
There is separate seating available for those who wish to socially distance.

Grape Juice and Gluten Free Wafers are available upon request.

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### **Today's Worship Leaders**

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Kristen Styles  
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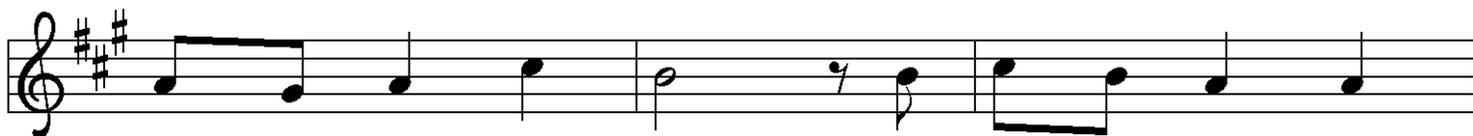
# PRELUDE

# WELCOME

## ENTRANCE HYMN We Walk By Faith ELW 635



1 We walk by faith and not by sight; with  
2 We may not touch your hands and side, nor  
3 Help then, O Lord, our un - be - lief; and  
4 For you, O res - ur - rec - ted Lord, are  
5 And when our life of faith is done, in



gra - cious words draw near, O Christ, who spoke as  
fol - low where you trod; but in your prom - ise  
may our faith a - bound to call on you when  
found in means di - vine: be - neath the wa - ter  
realms of clear - er light may we be - hold you



none e'er spoke: "My peace be with you here."  
we re - jice, and cry, "My Lord and God!"  
you are near and seek where you are found:  
and the word, be - neath the bread and wine.  
as you are, with full and end - less sight.

# GREETING

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

**And also with you.**

# KYRIE (NOW THE FEAST)

Leader

In peace, in peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Assembly

**Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have**

For the reign of God, and for

mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

peace through-out the world, for the u-ni-ty of all, let us pray to the

Lord. For your

**Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.**

peo - ple here who have come to give you praise, for the strength to live your

word, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mer-cy. Christ, have mer-cy. Lord, have**

Help, save, and de-fend us, O God.

mer - cy.

**A - men.**

## NOW THE FEAST AND CELEBRATION

*Refrain*

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!

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. *Refrain*

2 Pow - er and rich-es, wis-dom and might, all hon - or and

glo - ry to Christ for - ev - er. *Refrain*

3 For God has come to dwell with us, to make us peo-ple of

God; to make all things new. *Refrain*

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

O God, you are the tree of life, offering shelter to all the world. Graft us into yourself and nurture our growth, that we may bear your truth and love to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

**First Reading:** Ezekiel 17:22-24

The First Lesson is from the 17th Chapter of Ezekiel

<sup>22</sup>Thus says the Lord GOD:

I myself will take a sprig  
from the lofty top of a cedar;  
I will set it out.

I will break off a tender one  
from the topmost of its young twigs;  
I myself will plant it  
on a high and lofty mountain.

<sup>23</sup>On the mountain height of Israel

I will plant it,  
in order that it may produce boughs and bear fruit,  
and become a noble cedar.

Under it every kind of bird will live;  
in the shade of its branches will nest  
winged creatures of every kind.

<sup>24</sup>All the trees of the field shall know  
that I am the LORD.

I bring low the high tree,  
I make high the low tree;

I dry up the green tree  
and make the dry tree flourish.

I the LORD have spoken;  
I will accomplish it.

The word of the lord.

**Thanks be to God**

**PSALM:** Psalm 92:1-4, 12-15

<sup>1</sup>It is a good thing to give thanks to the LORD,  
to sing praise to your name, O Most High;

<sup>2</sup>**to herald your love in the morning  
and your faithfulness at night;**

<sup>3</sup>on the psaltery, and on the lyre,  
and to the melody of the harp.

<sup>4</sup>**For you have made me glad by your acts, O LORD;  
and I shout for joy because of the works of your hands.**

<sup>12</sup>The righteous shall flourish like a palm tree,  
and shall spread abroad like a cedar of Lebanon.

<sup>13</sup>**Those who are planted in the house of the LORD  
shall flourish in the courts of our God;**

<sup>14</sup>they shall still bear fruit in old age;  
they shall be green and succulent;  
<sup>15</sup>**that they may show how upright the LORD is,  
my rock, in whom there is no injustice.**

## SECOND LESSON: 2 Corinthians 5:6-10 [11-13] 14-17

The Second Lesson is from the 5th Chapter of 2 Corinthians

<sup>6</sup>So we are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord—<sup>7</sup>for we walk by faith, not by sight. <sup>8</sup>Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. <sup>9</sup>So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. <sup>10</sup>For all of us must appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil.

[<sup>11</sup>Therefore, knowing the fear of the Lord, we try to persuade others; but we ourselves are well known to God, and I hope that we are also well known to your consciences. <sup>12</sup>We are not commending ourselves to you again, but giving you an opportunity to boast about us, so that you may be able to answer those who boast in outward appearance and not in the heart. <sup>13</sup>For if we are beside ourselves, it is for God; if we are in our right mind, it is for you. ] <sup>14</sup>For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. <sup>15</sup>And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them.

<sup>16</sup>From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way.

<sup>17</sup>So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

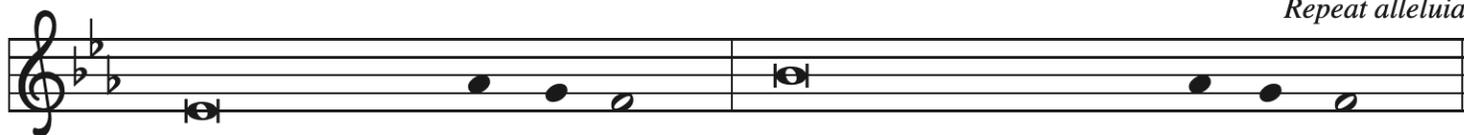
The word of the lord.

**Thanks be to God**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (*ACS Setting 12*)



Al-le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia.



*Repeat alleluia*

Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

## **GOSPEL: Mark 4:26-34**

The Holy Gospel according to Mark the 4th Chapter

**Glory to you, O Lord**

<sup>26</sup>[Jesus] said, “The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground,<sup>27</sup> and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. <sup>28</sup>The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. <sup>29</sup>But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come.”

<sup>30</sup>He also said, “With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? <sup>31</sup>It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; <sup>32</sup>yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.”

<sup>33</sup>With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; <sup>34</sup>he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **SERMON**

*The Sermon. Silence for reflection may follow.*

## **ANTHEM**

*"A Mustard Seed" by Beebe*

*Giada Styles, soloist*

## **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,

the God of manna,

the God of miracles,

the God of mercy.

**Amen.**

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance,

let us confess our sin.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

God, our provider,

**help us.**

**It is hard to believe there is enough to share.**

**We question your ways when they differ from the ways  
of the world in which we live.**

**We turn to our own understanding  
rather than trusting in you.**

**We take offense at your teachings and your ways.**

**Turn us again to you.**

**Where else can we turn?**

**Share with us the words of eternal life  
and feed us for life in the world.**

**Amen.**

Beloved people of God:

in Jesus, the manna from heaven,  
you are fed and nourished.

By Jesus, the worker of miracles,  
there is always more than enough.

Through Jesus, ✝ the bread of life,  
you are shown God's mercy:  
you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.

**Amen.**

## **APOSTLES' CREED**

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

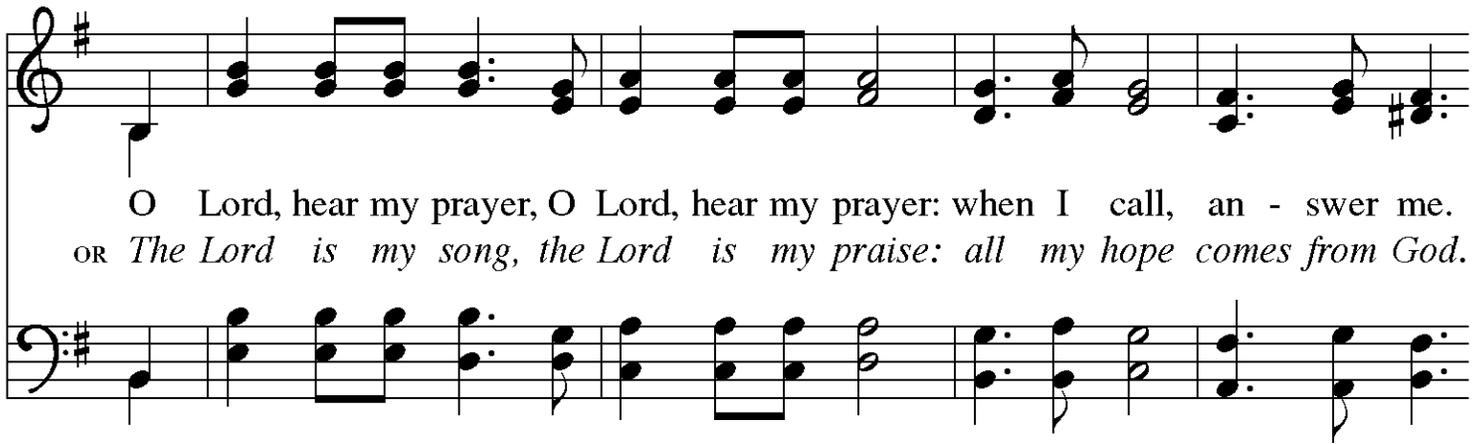
**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.\***

**On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,**

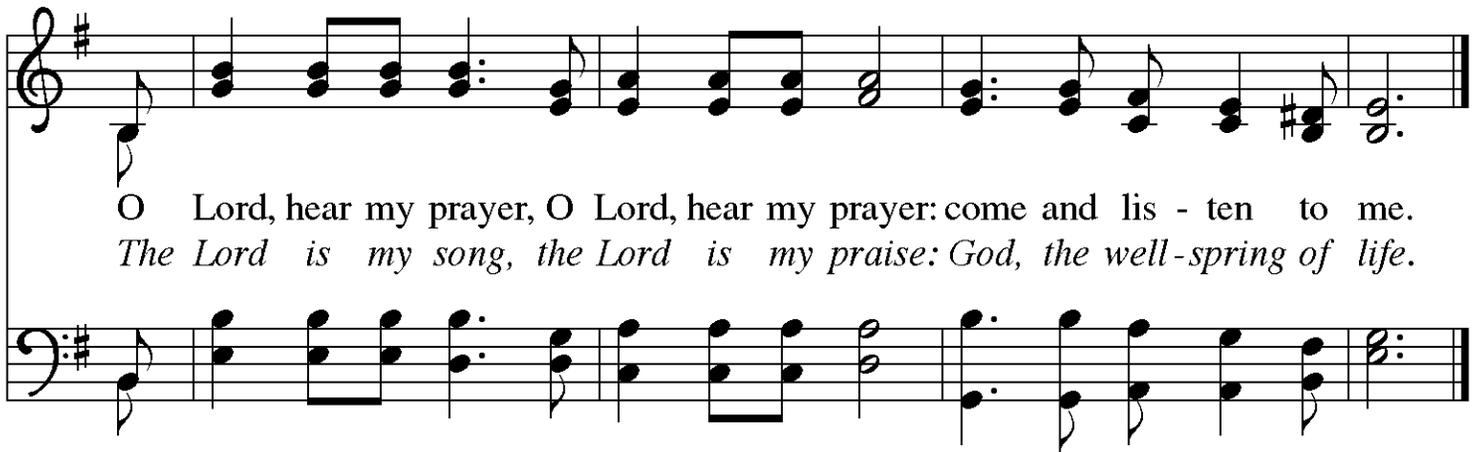
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

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. Amen.

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION



O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer: when I call, an - swer me.  
OR *The Lord is my song, the Lord is my praise: all my hope comes from God.*



O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer: come and lis - ten to me.  
*The Lord is my song, the Lord is my praise: God, the well-spring of life.*

*The prayers are prepared locally for each occasion. The following examples may be adapted or used as appropriate.*

Let us come before the triune God in prayer.

*A brief silence.*

Holy God, you plant the seeds of faith in every nation. Enliven your church, so that the good news of your grace may root and grow throughout the world. Creator, even the trees, shrubs, and flowers delight in your goodness. From the depths of the soil to the highest mountain, bring forth new plants. Restore growth to places suffering drought. **R** Judge of nations, we pray for our leaders and those in power. Grant them the ability to regard those under their charge with humility, dedicating their lives in service to others. Divine comforter, you show compassion to those in need and provide relief to those who

call on you. Bless all who suffer. Especially, Tim Klosterman, Dale Schmidt, Dana Tyre Rose McStravic and people trapped in cycles of poverty and homelessness. **R**

Sovereign God, this house of worship belongs to you. We give thanks and pray for our church musicians. We dedicate to you the joyful noise that comes from this place, the cries of children, the melody of voice and instruments, and the songs from our hearts. **R**

Eternal God, we give thanks for our ancestors in the faith who are now at home with you (*especially*). We look forward to that day when we are reunited in your new creation. **R**

Precious Lord, you make the renewal of our lives and loves possible through your grace. Be with those who are celebrating birthdays this week, including Joseph Bleakney, Kirsten Westbrook, Vanessa Frost, Linda Greene, Faith McCurdy. And those celebrating anniversaries including Doug & Cotta Ungerer, Robin & Greg Reynolds, Sondra Fogel & Dwayne Smith, and Walter & Connie Meade. May they continue to know your joy and presence in all that the years may bring.

We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your abiding grace. **R**

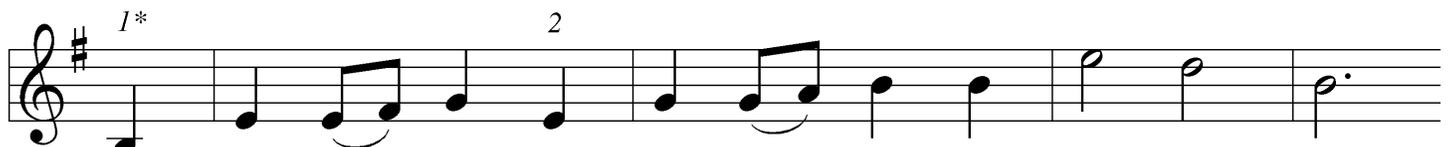
**Amen.**

## PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**And also with you.**

**PEACE RESPONSE: Shalom WOV 724**



Sha - lom, my friends, sha - lom, my friends, sha - lom, sha - lom.  
Sha - lom, cha-ve-rim, sha - lom, cha-ve-rim, sha - lom, sha - lom.



Sha - lom my friends, sha - lom, my friends. Sha - lom, sha - lom.  
Sha - lom cha-ve-rim, sha - lom cha-ve-rim. Sha - lom, sha - lom.

## OFFERING

### OFFERING HYMN: As the Grains of Wheat



As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were



gath-ered in - to one to be - come our bread; so may all your peo-ple from



all the ends of earth be gath-ered in - to one in you.



1 As this cup of bless - ing is shared with - in our midst,  
2 Let this be a fore - taste of all that is to come when



may we share the pres - ence of your love.  
all cre - a - tion shares this feast with you.

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*The ministers make ready the bread and wine.*

The Lord be with you

**And also with you**

Lift up your hearts

**We lift them to the Lord**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

**It is right to give him thanks and praise**

It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

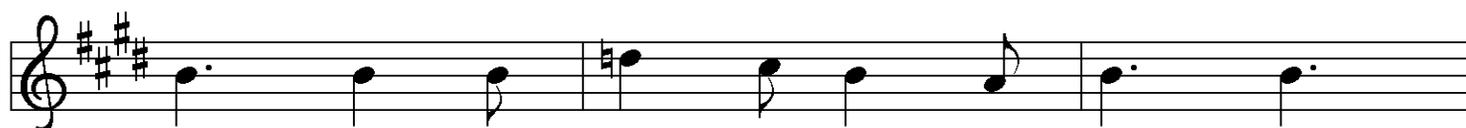
## HOLY (NOW THE FEAST)



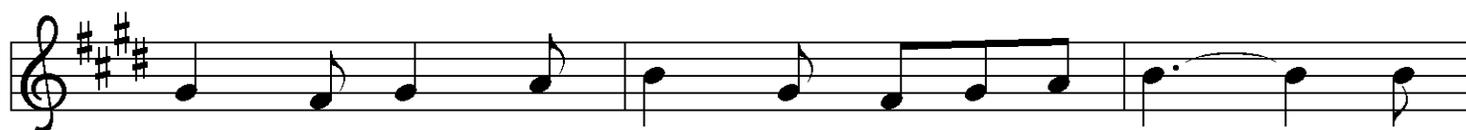
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and



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.

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*The presiding minister continues*

Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth.

In mercy for our fallen world you gave your only Son,  
that all those who believe in him should not perish,  
but have eternal life.

We give thanks to you

for the salvation you have prepared for us through Jesus Christ.

Send now your Holy Spirit into our hearts,

that we may receive our Lord with a living faith  
as he comes to us in his holy supper.

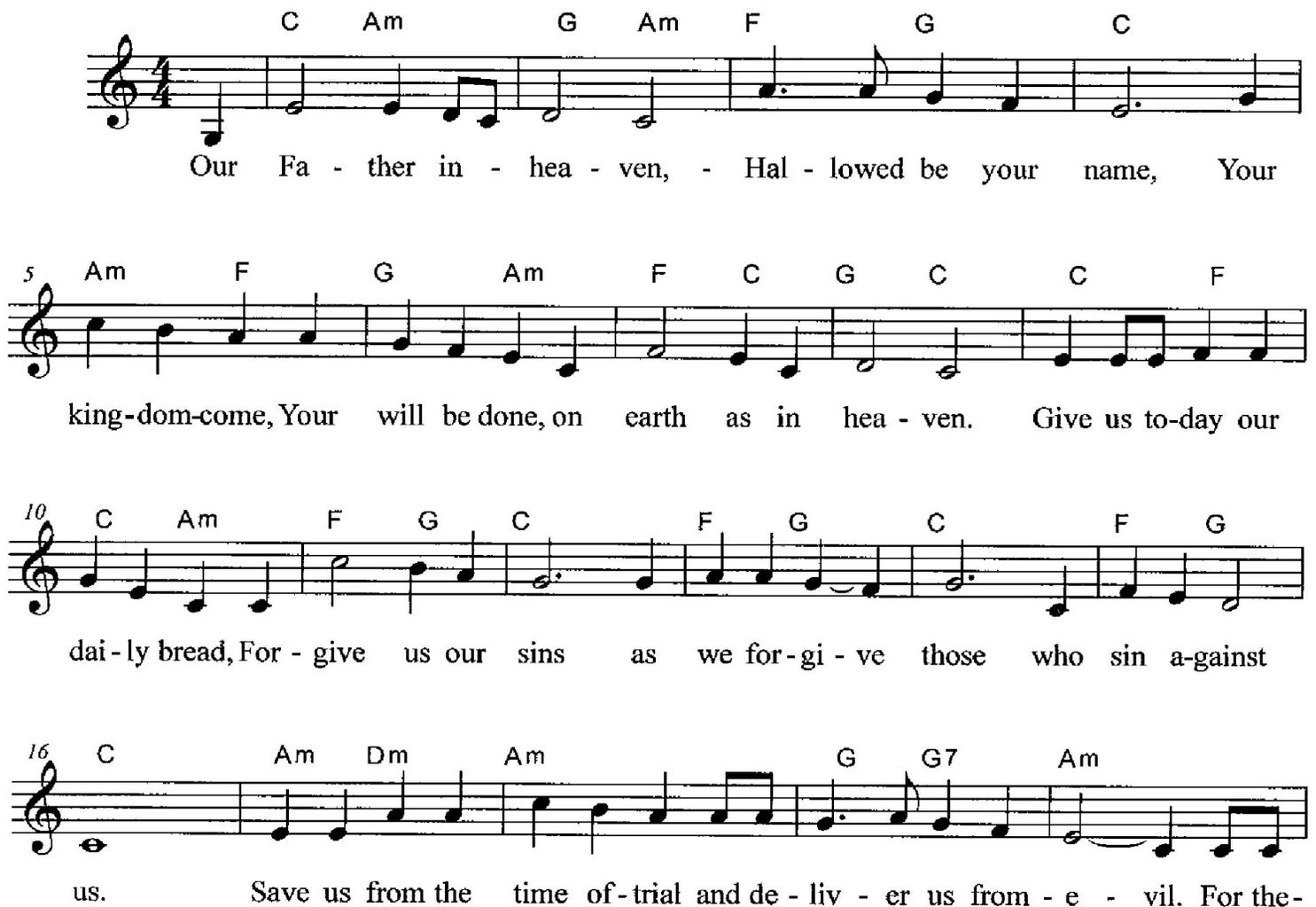
### **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

### **LORD'S PRAYER**



C Am G Am F G C

Our Fa - ther in - hea - ven, - Hal - lowed be your name, Your

5 Am F G Am F C G C C F

king-dom-come, Your will be done, on earth as in hea - ven. Give us to-day our

10 C Am F G C F G C F G

dai - ly bread, For - give us our sins as we for - gi - ve those who sin a - gainst

16 C Am Dm Am G G7 Am

us. Save us from the time of - trial and de - liv - er us from - e - vil. For the -

21 F C G Am F G C Am Em

king-dom the pow-er and glo - ry are yours, Now and for-ev - er. A - men, -

26 F C Dm G C

A - - - men, A men I sing A me - en.

**LAMB OF GOD**

**☐** Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.

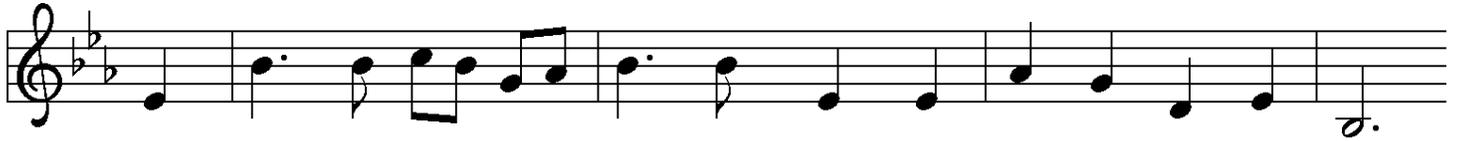
Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.

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

grant us peace, grant us peace.

**COMMUNION**

## COMMUNION HYMN: How Clear is Our Vocation Lord ELW 856



1 How clear is our vo - ca - tion, Lord, when once we heed your call  
2 But if, for - get - ful, we should find your yoke is hard to bear;  
3 We mar - vel how your saints be - come in hin - dranc - es more sure;  
4 In what you give us, Lord, to do, to - geth - er or a - lone,



to live ac - cord - ing to your word and dai - ly learn, re - freshed, re - stored,  
if world - ly pres - sures fray the mind and love it - self can - not un - wind  
whose joy - ful vir - tues put to shame the ca - sual way we wear your name,  
in old rou - tines or ven - tures new, may we not cease to look to you,



that you are Lord of all and will not let us fall.  
its tan - gled skein of care: our in - ward life re - pair.  
and by our faults ob - scure your pow'r to cleanse and cure.  
the cross you hung up - on, all you en - deav - ored done.

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Jesus, Bread of life,

we have received from your table

more than we could ever ask.

As you have nourished us in this meal,

now strengthen us to love the world with your own life.

In your name we pray.

**Amen.**

## TRIBUTE

# BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy.

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

**Amen**

## SENDING SONG Build Us Up Lord ELW 670



1 Build us up, Lord, build us up; set in  
2 Build us up, Lord, build us up; let our



us a strong foun - da - tion. Lead us to do your  
lives re - flect your glo - ry. Cast a - way all our



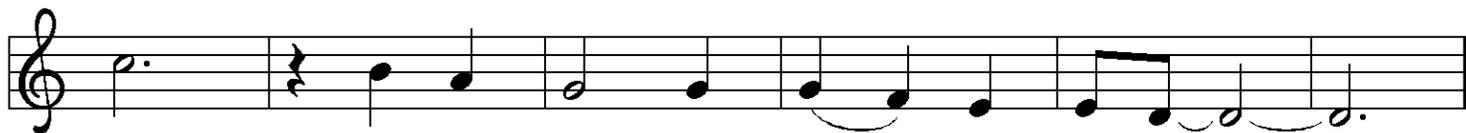
ho - ly will; form and shape your new cre - a - tion.  
doubts and fears; help us tell the world your sto - ry.



Build us up, Lord, build us up; as we  
Build us up, Lord, build us up; help us



guide and teach each oth - er, help us to share your love with the  
bear good fruit for you, Lord, give us vi - sion and keep us



world: ev - 'ry sis - ter, ev - 'ry broth - er.  
sure. Grant us faith that's stead - fast and true.

*Refrain*

Grow-ing in Christ, we plant seeds for the king-dom; we fol-low in  
 faith what's be-gun! Lord, set in our hearts the pow'r of your  
 word to spread the news of your Son!

**DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE**

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**UPCOMING COMMEMORATIONS**

**Basil the Great, Bishop of Caesarea, died 379; Gregory, Bishop of Nyssa, died around 385; Gregory of Nazianzus, Bishop of Constantinople, died around 389; Macrina, teacher, died around 379**

**Monday, June 14, 2021**

The Cappadocian fathers, as the three men in this group are known, explored the mystery of the Holy Trinity. Basil's monastic rule forms the basis for Eastern monastic life. Gregory of Nazianzus defended orthodox Christianity in Constantinople. Gregory of Nyssa, Basil's younger brother, wrote on the spiritual life. Macrina, older sister of Basil and Gregory of Nyssa, was the leader of a community dedicated to asceticism, meditation, and prayer.

## **Emanuel Nine, martyrs, died 2015**

**Thursday, June 17, 2021**

On June 17, 2015, Clementa C. Pinckney, Cynthia Marie Graham Hurd, Susie Jackson, Ethel Lee Lance, DePayne Middleton-Doctor, Tywanza Sanders, Daniel Lee Simmons, Sharonda Coleman-Singleton, and Myra Thompson were murdered by a self-professed white supremacist while they were gathered for Bible study and prayer at the Emanuel African Methodist Episcopal Church (often referred to as Mother Emanuel) in Charleston, South Carolina. Pastors Pinckney and Simmons were both graduates of the Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary. A resolution to commemorate June 17 as a day of repentance for the martyrdom of the Emanuel Nine was adopted by the Churchwide Assembly of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America on August 8, 2019. Congregations of the ELCA are encouraged reaffirm their commitment to repenting of the sins of racism and white supremacy which continue to plague this church, to venerate the martyrdom of the Emanuel Nine, and to mark this day of penitence with study and prayer.





## *Ushers Needed*

We are in desperate need of ushers for our 10 a.m. service.

If you and your family are available one Sunday monthly,

Please contact:

Synod Parish Deacon Rebecca  
[prebecca290@gmail.com](mailto:prebecca290@gmail.com)



*Dear Atonement Lutheran Church Family,*

*How wonderful it is to be back together in the Sanctuary for our Sunday Worship Service. I have truly missed all of you and also the Hugs.*

*I want to thank everyone for the wonderful and thoughtful acknowledgement of my time of being your Treasurer for almost 10 years. God has been very good! Bob and I are so Blessed.*

*What a Surprise to have a visit in May from Salli Conover, President of Church Council and Barb Turner, WELCA co-chair, at my home at which time they presented me with a prayer shawl from WELCA, a large basket of goodies (too numerous to mention) and a generous check.*

*Thank you and may God be with us all to direct our paths in the future so that we continue in being forgiving, compassionate and loving to everyone we meet.*

*Peace, Carol*

*Glory to God!*

*Offering Summary for June 6, 2021*

General Fund	\$3,854.67
10-4-10	208.33
Food Pantry	25.00
Property Maintenance	305.00
Seminarian	112.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$4,505.00</b>