



# Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church



*Come Together Grow in Faith Serve the Lord*

**November 5, 2023 9:30 AM - All Saints Sunday**



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# WELCOME

## to Holy Trinity

### Reconciling in Christ

*At Holy Trinity, we welcome and affirm everyone—because God welcomes and affirms everyone—*



*regardless of age, race, ability, ethnicity, gender identity, sexual orientation, or other life circumstance.*

*You are welcome. Your family, children, friends, spouses, and partners are welcome.*

*You are welcome, whether you are a believer, a doubter, or a seeker.*

*Your diversity and uniqueness are welcomed and affirmed into the full life of Holy Trinity.*

*You are wanted here.*

### October Celebrations!

#### Happy Birthday!

Nina Opderbecke, Faith Bygd, Denise Burbank, Hannah Mei, Hazel Larson, Trixie Williams, Isabella Clemmons, Betty King, Jean Klein, Franklyn Vosburg, Lois Laurence, Lara Scammon, Frank Getchell, Kelly Rouleau, Nancy Gilmore, Jacob Reny, Holly Scammon, Aggrin Sihombing, Jon Koelker.

#### Happy Anniversary!

VJ & Craig Strehl, George & Carol Saulfey, Frank Getchell & Janet Maleski, George Koch & Elyse Demers, Bruce & Lynne Clement, Dave & Carol Arrington, Paulette & Rick Sirois, Tom & Michelle Bernth.

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#### A Warm Welcome as you worship with us today!

Whether you are here for the first time or a long time member, know that you are welcomed in Christ's Name, joined to be with us, Christ's Body the Church, as we worship God.

Your presence at worship is a gift!

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**We love having children worship with us!** At this moment, our Nursery is not staffed. You may find Children's bulletins and activities on tables inside the sanctuary.

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**Prayer Requests:** Prayer Request Cards are available indoors on the Usher's Table. Simply fill one out and hand it to the Pastor, or place it in the Offering Basket.

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#### Office Hours & Pastoral Emergencies:

Church Office: *Monday-Thursday 9am-4pm*

Pastor's Office: *Tuesday afternoons & Wednesdays 11am-2:30pm*

If you need a Pastoral Visit, or experiencing a Pastoral Emergency, pastoral care is available for home or hospital visits, emotional support, and church ceremonies. Please contact the Church Office and we will connect you with our Pastor as soon as possible. Email [office@htelc.com](mailto:office@htelc.com) or call (603)436-1704 and leave a voicemail message.

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**Donate to Holy Trinity:** You can place your offering in the offering plate during the service. We appreciate what you are able to give to help support our church and our ministries. Thank you.

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## PRAYER CONCERNS

**Health Issues:** Franklyn Vosburg, Jerry Schock, Pastor Linn Opderbecke, Alice Peterson, Bob Hollister, Don Gindlesperger, Steve Bush, Joyce Rivoire, Richard Anderson, Dave Smith, Hazel Larson, Leo Larson, Geri Seig, Rani Marcus, Shirley Jackson. **Homebound:** Carol Saufley, Barbara Werdelin, Ron Evers, Dave & Joyce Rivoire, Anita Lindstrom, Judy Hollister, Jean Klein. **Military:** Josh Bretz, Matthew Hanrahan, Brendan Podszus, Jacob Schankis, Jessica Chabot, Ian Connors.

**Friends:** Dave Bly (Sue Althof's brother), Cinda DeWerff (Rich Wilcox's sister), Kathy Wyrick (Linda Marshall's friend), Jacquelynn & Richard Murray (Jessica Feeley's sister and brother-in-law), Karin Otero (Lois Laurence's friend), Carol Dumican (friend of Bobbie Febbo), Scott Andrade (Bobbie Febbo's friend), Phil Cahners (Bobbie Febbo's son-in-law), David Roth (Bonnie Sanders' brother).

*Prayers will be listed for at least 6 weeks unless told otherwise. If you would like a prayer concern listed in the bulletin, please fill out a Prayer Request at the Usher's table or contact the Church Office at [office@htelc.com](mailto:office@htelc.com).*

## NOTES ON TODAY'S SERVICE

All Saints celebrates the baptized people of God, living and dead, who are the body of Christ. As November heralds the dying of the landscape in many northern regions, the readings and liturgy call us to remember all who have died in Christ and whose baptism is complete. At the Lord's table we gather with the faithful of every time and place, trusting that the promises of God will be fulfilled and that all tears will be wiped away in the new Jerusalem.

## LECTIONARY

**This Week:** Revelation 7:9-17; Psalm 34:1-10, 22; 1 John 3:1-3; Matthew 5:1-12.

**Next Week:** Amos 5:18-24; Wisdom of Solomon 6:12-16; Psalm 70; Wisdom of Solomon 6:17-20; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; Matthew 25:1-13; Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25; Psalm 78:1-7

## WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

**Musician(s):** Jon Bock, Jon Koelker, and Dick Topping

**Choir Director:** Jon Koelker

**Sound System:** Rey Bororing

**Counters:** Barry & Phyllis Philbrick

**Altar Guild:** Yvonne Topping

**Lector:** Julie Anderson

**Liturgical Deacon:** TBD

## THIS WEEK AT HOLY TRINITY

**WEDNESDAY, November 8**

9:30 AM: Bible Study

**THURSDAY, November 9**

8:30 AM: Property Team

**SUNDAY, November 12**

9:30 AM: Sunday Worship

10:45 AM: Work Day at HTELC

## ATTENDANCE AND OFFERING

<b>Sunday, October 22:</b>	100 (In-Person) + 29 (Online) = 129	<b>Offering:</b> \$4,523.30
<b>Sunday, October 29:</b>	96 (In-Person) + 17 (Online) = 113	<b>Offering:</b> \$3,844.56

## Announcements

**Stewardship envelopes:** Our pledge campaign has begun, and your packet was sent in the mail recently, including a pledge card. Please place your completed pledge card in with your offering, or hand into the Church Office. Extra pledge cards are found on the table near the bulletins. Spare Stewardship packets are available in the Church Office, if you never received yours.

**Flower Ministry:** What has been missing? Well much has been missing since Covid, but the good news is these missing things no longer need to be missed. We are used to the way it is versus perhaps, the way we want it to be, not necessarily the way it used to be. Altar flowers are one way we can once again engage in the beauty of God's creation and praise Him. The flowers may also be an opportunity to honor or remember a person or event in our lives who was or is special. More information will be shared as systems for signing up for flowers are developed.

**Adult Weekend at Calumet:** When last year's Women's Weekend at Calumet was cancelled, several singles and couples took advantage of the reserved weekend and had an enjoyable Adult Weekend. I've been asked by several people about the possibility of having another. Holy Trinity does not have a weekend reserved, but if there is interest it is possible to schedule a weekend this winter or spring with Calumet. If you are interested in an Adult Weekend, please contact Kurt Kasik.

**A Celebration of Life for Grover Marshall** will be held on Saturday, November 11 at 2:00 PM. All who knew Grover are welcome to attend.

**Honoring our Veterans:** On November 12, Holy Trinity will honor our veterans who are on Active Duty or retired from service. If you or a loved one has served in the military, please contact the Church Office so we can recognize you in the bulletin. Thank you for your service.

**Thanksgiving Baskets and Mitten Tree:** Once again, HTELC will be assisting Operation Blessing with procuring items for Thanksgiving Baskets. Items can be placed in the Narthex and will be delivered to them to Operation Blessing. The items being requested are canned vegetables, stuffing mix, cranberry sauce, turkey gravy (no glass jars, please), pie crust mix (no filling) and brownie mix. They are also asking for gift cards to Hannaford's, Market Basket and Aldi's. These are to be used to specifically purchase ready-made rolls and butter.

We will be collecting for the Mitten Tree during the four (4) weeks immediately preceding Advent. The "Tree" will be in the Narthex from November 6 -26. All sizes of mittens, gloves, hats and socks are greatly appreciated. To this I will add Gisela Wemple's yearly reminder that adult sized work gloves are always needed. Thank you to everyone for your generosity.

**Help for Imanuel Indonesian Congregation:** The Immanuel Indonesian Congregation has been without a Pastor since last March when the Pastor's Visa expired. To bring her back, on a Ministry Visa, the congregation needs to provide proof of available housing, and a fund of at least \$25,000 for her housing needs. The congregation has housing and pledges from its members of \$15,000. Their request to Holy Trinity was to provide a pledge of \$10,000 so they can begin the process of obtaining the Visa. There was a meeting between a group from Imanuel and Holy Trinity to discuss the request as well as what the plan was once the Pastor

arrived. It was the conclusion at the meeting to recommend that the Holy Trinity Church Council make a pledge to the Imanuel Congregation in the amount of \$10,000 to be funded by a part of the "Not Designated" fund. This request was discussed by the Church Council at their monthly meeting on October 10<sup>th</sup>. A motion was made and passed unanimously to provide the pledge letter in the amount of \$10,000. Having a Pastor will help the Imanuel Congregation, as we at Holy Trinity are well aware.

**Work Day at Holy Trinity:** On Sunday, November 12, following the 9:30 service we will be having a work day at church. The goal will be to have indoor and outdoor projects that can be done by all ages and abilities. If you can come, please sign up using the QR Code (or ask Mark in the office) so that we can plan the projects. We will wrap up by 2:00 and lunch will be provided. Any questions, contact Scott Carson ([SDC1338@gmail.com](mailto:SDC1338@gmail.com)). There will be another Work Day on December 3.



**Calumet's Walk the Walk this past summer was a success!** Their goal of 110,000 miles in 7 weeks was narrowly achieved, by just over 2,000 miles, for a total of 112,000+ miles. Thank you to Team Holy Trinity for helping out, they couldn't have achieved their goal without you!! Altogether, our team walked 2,286.89 miles, between 17 people. We hope more of you sign up next summer. It's a wonderful way to support our favorite Lutheran summer camp!

**Operation Blessing** needs Men's and Women's winter jackets. All they have to be is in good condition. They are also low on Children's clothes, both boys and girls, sizes 3-6. Currently, OB has too much stock for baby's clothes, please only donate for ages 2 and up. Thank you.

**Looking for "Green Christians":** Do you think and feel that stewardship of God's Creation, environmental justice, climate change and/or sustainability the like are important in the life of the Christian church? If so, then you likely are a "Green Christian" ... and our church needs you! The HTELC Council recently endorsed the formation of a "Creation Care Task Force" to study and explore the possibilities of our church becoming a "green church." If you would like to learn more about this possibility for service, please contact Glenn Oswald (603-507-7363 or [glenn canoe@gmail.com](mailto:glenn canoe@gmail.com)).

# Welcome

## Thanksgiving for Baptism

—Please stand as able—

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation.

C: **Amen.**

P: Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

P: We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight.

Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family.  
Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons, making us heirs of your promise and servants of all.

We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ. Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.

To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

# Gathering Hymn

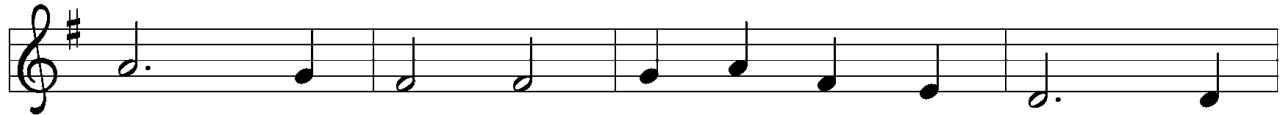
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— Please stand as able—

## For All the Saints



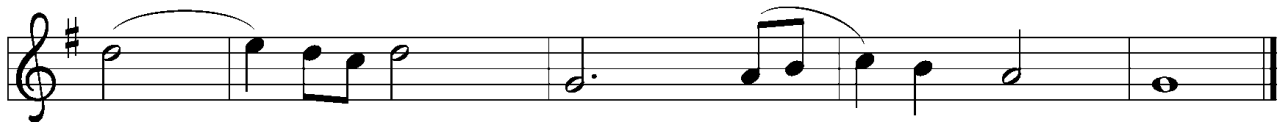
1 For all the saints who from their labors rest, who  
2 Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might; thou,



thee by faith before the world confessed, thy  
Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight; ..



name, O Je - sus, be for - ev - er blest.  
thou, in the dark - ness dread, their one true light.



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!



3 Oh, blest com-mu - nion, fel - low-ship di - vine, we fee - bly strug - gle,  
4 And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long, steals on the ear the



they in glo - ry shine; yet all are one in thee, for all are  
dis-tant tri-umph song, and hearts are brave a - gain and arms are



thine. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!  
strong.

Text: William W. How. 1823-1897

# Greeting

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

C: **And also with you.**

# Kyrie



*Refrain*

Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, on our world and on our way.



Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, ev-'ry day.



- 1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the
- 2 That we may live out your im-passioned re-sponse to the
- 3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . for
- 4 For your Spir-it to guide; that you cen-ter our lives in the



u-ni-ty of all; for  
hun-gry and the poor; that  
friends and fam-i-ly; for  
wa-ter and the word; that you



this ho-ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,  
we may live out . . . . truth and jus-tice and grace,  
life and for love, . . . . for our work and our play,  
nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod-y and blood,



*Refrain*

let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.



## Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray.

**C: Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.**

**Amen.**

## WORD

The remaining lessons appointed for use on this Sunday are located in the announcements of this worship booklet. You are invited to read them during the collection of offerings or Communion. You are also invited to take this booklet home with you and read the lessons and prayers as part of family worship or individual devotions.

## First Reading

**—Please be seated—**

L: A reading from 1 John 3:1-3

<sup>1</sup>See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. <sup>2</sup>Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. <sup>3</sup>And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

L: Word of God, word of life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## **Psalmody: Psalm 34:1-10, 22**

L: <sup>1</sup>I will bless the Lord at all times;  
the praise of God shall ever be in my mouth.

**C: <sup>2</sup>I will glory in the Lord;  
let the lowly hear and rejoice.**

L: <sup>3</sup>Proclaim with me the greatness of the Lord;  
let us exalt God's name together.

**C: <sup>4</sup>I sought the Lord, who answered me  
and delivered me from all my terrors.**

L: <sup>5</sup>Look upon the Lord and be radiant,  
and let not your faces be ashamed.

**C: <sup>6</sup>I called in my affliction, and the Lord heard me  
and saved me from all my troubles.**

L: <sup>7</sup>The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear the Lord  
and delivers them.

**C: <sup>8</sup>Taste and see that the Lord is good;  
happy are they who take refuge in God!**

L: <sup>9</sup>Fear the Lord, you saints of the Lord,  
for those who fear the Lord lack nothing.

**C: <sup>10</sup>The lions are in want and suffer hunger,  
but those who seek the Lord lack nothing that is good.**

L: <sup>22</sup>O Lord, you redeem the life of your servants,  
and those who put their trust in you will not be punished.

# Children's Message

The children are invited to come forward to join the Pastor at the Chancel for a message.

## Gospel Acclamation

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— Please stand as able—

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

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## **Gospel**

P: The holy gospel according to St. Matthew, Chapter 5:1-12

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

<sup>1</sup>When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. <sup>2</sup>Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

<sup>3</sup>“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

<sup>4</sup>“Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

<sup>5</sup>“Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

<sup>6</sup>“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

<sup>7</sup>“Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

<sup>8</sup>“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

<sup>9</sup>“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

<sup>10</sup>“Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

<sup>11</sup>“Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. <sup>12</sup>Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

P: The gospel of the Lord.

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

## **Sermon**

— Please be seated—

Soon and Very Soon



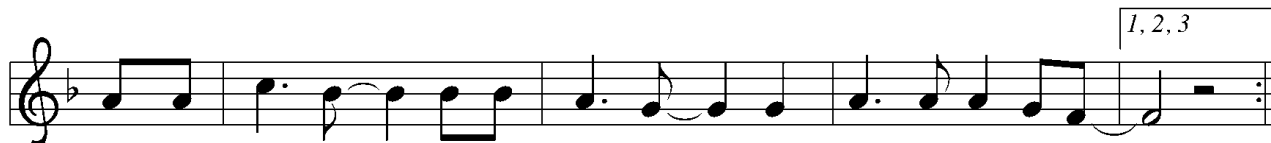
1 Soon and ver - y soon  
 2 No more cry - in' there, we are goin' to see the King,  
 3 No more dy - in' there,  
 4 Soon and ver - y soon



soon and ver - y soon  
 no more cry - in' there, we are goin' to see the King,  
 no more dy - in' there,  
 soon and ver - y soon



soon and ver - y soon  
 no more cry - in' there, we are goin' to see the King.  
 no more dy - in' there,  
 soon and ver - y soon



Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah, we're goin' to see the King!

*Coda after stanza 4*



Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu -



jah, hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah.

Text: Andraé Crouch, b. 1945  
 Music: VERY SOON, Andraé Crouch  
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## **Apostles Creed**

**C: 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 the People**

**LD: Let us turn our hearts to God, our breath and life, as we pray for the  
church, the world, and all who are in need. — A brief silence—**

**LD: Holy God, the church triumphant gathers around your throne to praise  
you. We join them in worship and remember your sustaining grace in  
every generation. Heal our divisions; show us unity in your presence.  
Hear us, O God.**

**C: Your mercy is great.**

**LD: Holy creator, we marvel at your creation revealed in the cycle of  
seasons, changing landscapes, and the rise and fall of ocean tides. Turn  
us from selfish consumption and open us to gentle healing of the earth  
so all creation thrives. Hear us, O God.**

**C: Your mercy is great.**

LD: Holy advocate, we lift grateful hearts for the ability to vote and elect leaders. Grant wisdom to those who will be elected and safety to poll workers. May civic leaders serve the whole community, especially all who are underrepresented or oppressed. Hear us, O God.

**C: Your mercy is great.**

LD: Holy healer, bless the brokenhearted and all who mourn. Send your compassion to all who grieve, grant wholeness to those who are sick, and accompany the dying. Be near to all who need you. We pray especially for those whose names we say out loud or silently.  
— **A brief silence**— Hear us, O God.

**C: Your mercy is great.**

LD: We pray for our partners in mission and ministry: Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, Bishop James Hazelwood and the New England Synod, Pastor Livingstone Msungu and the Isimani congregation in Tanzania, Fundaninos Orphanage in Guatemala, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan and the Holy Land, and Imanuel Indonesian Lutheran Congregation, Ascentria Care Alliance, and Camp Calumet. Hear us, O God.

**C: Your mercy is great.**

LD: Holy One, for the saints who now rest in your mercy, we give you thanks.  
We remember their witness of faithfulness and love.

**Marilee Clark**

**Louise Best**

**Jeanne Dalzell**

**Mike Kennedy**

**Edith Rowan**

**Skip Homicz**

**Joe Lugalla**

**Monica Amundson**

**Grover Marshall**

**Hildegarde Cordes**

**Gisela Wemple**

**Paul Wright**

**Marty Champaign**

**Carol Adams**

**Ray Allan**

**Charles Oswald, Jr**

**John McGinty**

**Bertha (Demers) Oswald**

**Barry Cash**

**Kurt Sonstroem**

**Milo Masura**

**Richard Evans**

***{Other names may be announced}***

Praise to you for the eternal life they have been given through Jesus Christ. Hear us, O God.

**C: Your mercy is great.**

LD: We offer our spoken prayers and those held in our hearts trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord.

**C: Amen.**



## The Sharing of God's Peace

P: May the peace of the Lord be with you all.

C: **And also with you.**

The congregation is invited to exchange expressions of peace with those near them.

## MEAL

### Offering

An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need. During this time, the table is set.

### Choir Anthem

### Offertory Song

**ELW 885**

**—Please stand as able—**

After the offering is gathered, the assembly stands. Bread, wine, money, and other gifts may be brought forward. The offerings will be brought to the altar during this hymn.

### Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

The musical notation is written on a treble clef staff with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are: Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; praise God above, ye heav'n - ly host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

Text: Thomas Ken, 1637–1711, alt.

Music: OLD HUNDREDTH, Louis Bourgeois, 1510–1561

## Offertory Prayer

P: Let us pray.

**C: God of all goodness, generations have turned to you, gathered around your table, and shared your abundant blessings. Number us among them that, as we gather these gifts from your abundance, and give thanks for your rich blessings, we may feast upon your very self and care for all that you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Sovereign and Servant.**

**Amen.**

## The Celebration of Holy Communion

As you come to the Lord's Table, know that it is Christ who invites you to receive the bread and wine, the body and blood. There will be a single communion station around the altar. You will receive a wafer (gluten free wafers are available). Next you may take a pre-filled glass of wine. Please put the glass in the basket by the baptismal font or the lectern. Pre-filled Communion Cups are still available for anyone uncomfortable coming forward to the altar. If you would like to receive communion from the Pastor, but you are unable to come forward, please ask someone to talk to the ushers and we will bring communion to you.

## Dialogue

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 our thanks and praise.**

## Preface

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,  
that we should at all times and in all places  
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,  
through our Savior Jesus Christ;

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 all the choirs of angels,  
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,  
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Holy, Holy, Holy** —To the tune hymn **Holy, Holy, Holy—**  
**Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!**  
**Heav'n and earth are full of Your glory and Your grace.**  
**Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who**  
**Comes in the name of the Lord God most high.**

## **Thanksgiving at the Table**

**P:** Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

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.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

**P:** Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our

Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

## **Lord's Prayer**

Feel free to use the version of the Lord's Prayer you are most comfortable with.

**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.**

## **Invitation to Communion**

**P:** These are the gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your heart by faith with thanksgiving.

The assembly may be seated. The bread may be broken for the communion.

## **Lighting of Candles**

You are invited to light a candle in memory of those in your life who have died. The lighting of candles can be a meaningful act for many either as a visible remembrance or even as an act of prayer. As you leave from receiving communion, please feel welcome to light a candle.

## Communion

— Please be seated—

### Communion Hymns

While others are communing, you are invited to sing a communion hymn or to meditate on the readings and prayers for the day. To follow along with the Communion Hymns, please locate the cranberry Hymnal under your seats.

ELW 466 – In the Singing.

ELW 485 – I Am the Bread of Life.

ELW 881 – Let All Things Now Living

### Prayer after Communion

—Please stand as able—

P: Let us pray.

C: **Lord Jesus, in this simple meal you have set a banquet. Sustain us on the journey, strengthen us to care for the least of your beloved children, and give us glad and generous hearts as we meet you on the way.**

**Amen.**

## SENDING

### Rites of Passage and Announcements

—Please be seated—

The congregation is invited to share birthdays, anniversaries, and other significant events in the life of its members. Subsequently, brief announcements may be made, especially those related to the congregation's participation in God's mission in the world.

### Blessing

—Please stand as able—

Pastor Luther will lead our congregation with a Blessing.

My Life Flows On in Endless Song



1 My life flows on in end - less song; a - bove earth's lam-en - ta - tion,  
 2 Through all the tu - mult and the strife, I hear that mu - sic ring - ing.  
 3 What though my joys and com-forts die? The Lord my Sav-ior liv - eth.  
 4 The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a foun - tain ev - er spring-ing!



I catch the sweet, though far-off hymn that hails a new cre - a - tion.  
 It finds an ech - o in my soul. How can I keep from sing-ing?  
 What though the dark - ness gath-er round? Songs in the night he giv - eth.  
 All things are mine since I am his! How can I keep from sing-ing?

*Refrain*



No storm can shake my in-most calm while to that Rock I'm cling-ing.



Since Christ is Lord of heav-en and earth, how can I keep from sing-ing?

Text: Robert Lowry, 1826–1899

Music: HOW CAN I KEEP FROM SINGING, Robert Lowry, alt.

**Dismissal**

—remain standing—

**LD:** Beloved of God, go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**C:** Thanks be to God.