

**Trinity Lutheran Church  
Clarks Summit, PA**

**Traditional Eucharist  
*(Setting 3)***

**Deacon's Mass  
Sunday, April 19, 2026**

***3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter  
- Year A***

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## PRELUDE MUSIC

## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God,  
who forgives all our sin, whose mercy  
endures forever.

**Amen.**

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.

**Amen.**

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

Most merciful God,  
**we confess that we are captive to sin**

and cannot free ourselves.

We have sinned against you in thought,  
word, and deed,  
by what we have done  
and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole  
heart;

we have not loved our neighbors as  
ourselves.

For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us.

Forgive us, renew us, and lead us,  
so that we may delight in your will  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your holy name.

Amen.

God, who is rich in mercy,  
loved us even when we were dead in  
sin, and made us alive together with  
Christ.

By grace we have been saved.

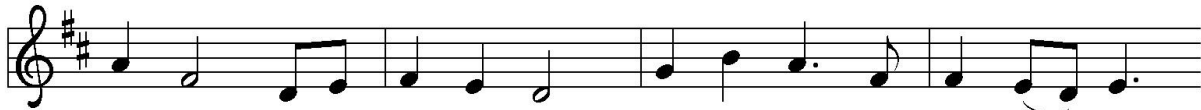
In the name of ✝ Jesus Christ,  
our sins are forgiven.

May Almighty God strengthen us with

power  
through the Holy Spirit,  
that Christ may live in our hearts  
through faith.

**Amen.**

## We Come to the Hungry Feast



1 We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry for a word of peace.  
2 We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry for a world re - leased  
3 We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry that the hun - ger cease,



To hun - gry hearts un - sat - is - fied the love of God is  
from hun - gry folk of ev - 'ry kind, the poor in bod - y,  
and know - ing, though we eat our fill, the hun - ger will stay



not de - nied. We come, we come to the hun - gry feast.  
poor in mind. We come, we come to the hun - gry feast.  
with us; still we come, we come to the hun - gry feast.

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# GREETING

May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit  
be with us all.  
And also with you.

# KYRIE

In peace, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,

and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.

A - men.

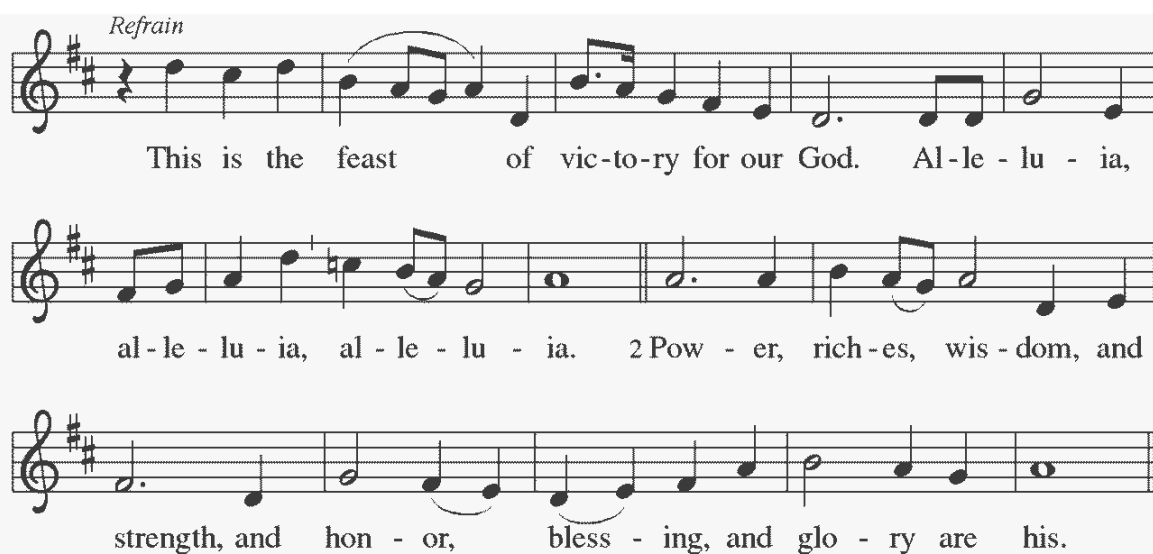
# CANTICLE OF PRAISE

*Refrain*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,  
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb  
who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.

*Refrain*

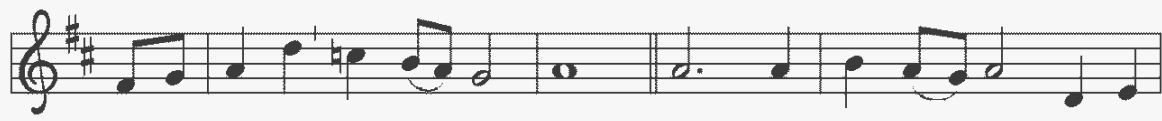


This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,  
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 2 Pow - er, rich-es, wis - dom, and  
strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

*Refrain*



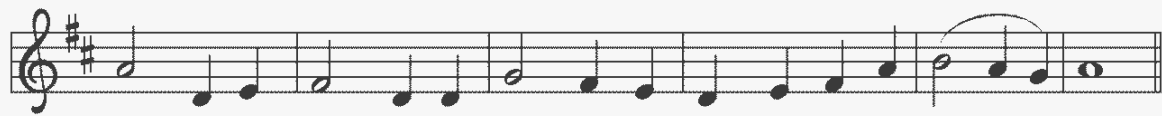
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al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of



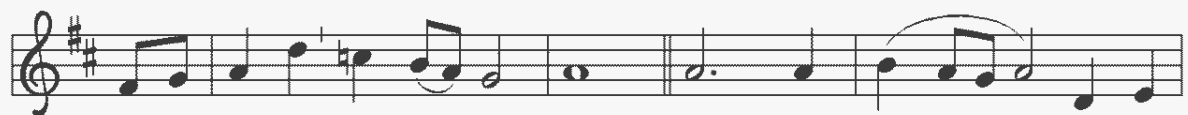
God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,



glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.



*Refrain*  
This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia,



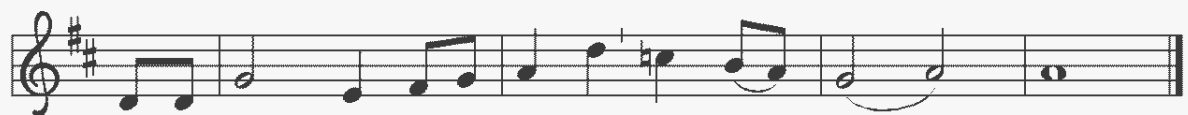
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 4 For the Lamb who was



slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.



*Final refrain*  
This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.



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

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

O God, your Son makes himself known to all his disciples in the breaking of bread. Open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in his redeeming work, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen

## **FIRST READING**

“A reading from Acts.”

<sup>14a</sup> Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed [the crowd]: <sup>36</sup> “Therefore let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified.”

<sup>37</sup> Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, “Brothers, what should we do?” <sup>38</sup> Peter said to them, “Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. <sup>39</sup> For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.”

<sup>40</sup> And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, “Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.” <sup>41</sup> So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

The word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.

## PSALM

(Psalm Tone: ELW - Tone 10 - 0 Flats)



1 I love the Lord, who has | heard my voice,  
and listened to my | supplication,

2 for the Lord has given | ear to me  
whenever I | called.

3 The cords of death entangled me; the anguish of the  
grave | came upon me;  
I came to | grief and sorrow.

4 Then I called upon the name | of the Lord:  
“O Lord, I pray you, | save my life.”

12 How shall I re- | pay the Lord  
for all the good things God has | done for me?

13 I will lift the cup | of salvation  
and call on the name | of the Lord.

14 I will fulfill my vows | to the Lord  
in the presence of | all God’s people.

15 Precious in your | sight, O Lord,  
is the death | of your servants.



16 O Lord, truly I | am your servant;  
I am your servant, the child of your handmaid; you have  
freed me | from my bonds.

17 I will offer you the sacrifice | of thanksgiving  
and call upon the name | of the Lord.

18 I will fulfill my vows | to the Lord

in the presence of | all God's people,  
<sup>19</sup> in the courts of | the Lord's house,  
in the midst of you, O Jerusalem. | Hallelujah!

## **SECOND READING**

“A reading from First Peter.”

<sup>17</sup> If you invoke as Father the one who judges impartially according to each person's work, live in fear during the time of your exile. <sup>18</sup> You know that you were ransomed from the futile conduct inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold <sup>19</sup> but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. <sup>20</sup> He was destined before the foundation of the world but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. <sup>21</sup> Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your trust and hope are in God. <sup>22</sup> Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual affection, love one another deeply from the heart. <sup>23</sup> You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.


The word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.

# GOSPEL ACCLAM. FOR EASTER:


(ELW 394: Verses 1 and 2 for Easter)

## Hail Thee, Festival Day!

*Refrain*




Hail thee, fes - ti-val day! Blest day to be hal-lowed for - ev - er;




day when our Lord was raised, break-ing the king - dom of death.

*Easter 1* All the fair beau - ty of earth from the




death of the win - ter a - ris - ing! Ev - 'ry good




gift of the year now with its mas - ter re - turns: *Refrain*

*Refrain*




Hail thee, fes - ti-val day! Blest day to be hal-lowed for - ev - er;




day when our Lord was raised, break-ing the king - dom of death.

*Easter 2* Rise from the grave now, O Lord, the au - thor of



life and cre - a - tion. Tread-ing the path - way of



death, new life you give to us all: *Refrain*

*Refrain*



Hail thee, fes - ti-val day! Blest day to be hal-lowed for - ev - er;



day when our Lord was raised, break-ing the king - dom of death.

## GOSPEL

“The Holy Gospel According to Luke.”

“Glory to you, O Lord.”

<sup>13</sup> Now on that same day two [disciples] were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, <sup>14</sup> and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. <sup>15</sup> While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, <sup>16</sup> but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. <sup>17</sup> And he said to them, “What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?” They stood still, looking sad. <sup>18</sup> Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, “Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?” <sup>19</sup> He asked them, “What things?” They replied, “The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, <sup>20</sup> and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified

him. <sup>21</sup> But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place.

<sup>22</sup> Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, <sup>23</sup> and when they did not find his body there they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. <sup>24</sup> Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see him.” <sup>25</sup> Then he said to them, “Oh, how foolish you are and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! <sup>26</sup> Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?” <sup>27</sup> Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures. <sup>28</sup> As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. <sup>29</sup> But they urged him strongly, saying, “Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.” So he went in to stay with

them. <sup>30</sup> When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. <sup>31</sup> Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him, and he vanished from their sight. <sup>32</sup> They said to each other, “Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?” <sup>33</sup> That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem, and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. <sup>34</sup> They were saying, “The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!” <sup>35</sup> Then they told what had happened on the road and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

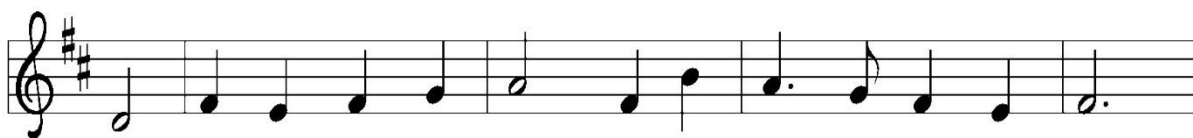
“The Gospel of the Lord.”

“Praise to you, O Christ.”

**SERMON**

(Verses 1-4)

## Abide, O Dearest Jesus



- 1 A - bide, O dear - est Je - sus, a - mong us with your grace,
- 2 A - bide, O dear Re - deem - er, a - mong us with your word
- 3 A - bide with heav'n-ly bright - ness a - mong us, pre - cious Light;
- 4 A - bide with rich - est bless - ings a - mong us, boun - teous Lord;
- 5 A - bide, O faith - ful Sav - ior, a - mong us with your love;



that e - vil may not harm us nor we to sin give place.  
 and thus now and here - af - ter true peace and joy af - ford.  
 your truth di - rect and keep us from er - ror's gloom - y night.  
 let us in grace and wis - dom grow dai - ly through your word.  
 grant stead - fast - ness and help us to reach our home a - bove.

Text: Josua Stegmann, 1588–1632; tr. August Crull, 1846–1923  
 Music: CHRISTUS, DER IST MEIN LEIBEN, Melchior Vulpus, 1570–1615

## NICENE CREED

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

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 AND SQUARES MINISTRY:**

*Name of Recipient:*

Xxxxxxxx Xxxxxxxx

*(Presented by Xxxxxxxx Xxxxxxxx)*

Loving God, we thank you for the gifts you have given to our Prayers and Squares Ministry: the talent, the gifts of fabric, the time, the gifts we use to create these quilts that are given with love and prayer to those who are struggling. We ask that you continue to help those involved in this ministry to use these gifts to honor you.

We ask your blessing upon the recipient of this quilt, \_\_\_\_\_. May this quilt wrap \_\_\_\_\_ with comfort and love. This we pray in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH:

With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

We pray for those within the Trinity family who are sick, hospitalized, or in special need, especially . . .

We pray for those who are serving in the armed forces, especially .

We pray for those outside the Trinity membership who are sick, hospitalized, or in special need, especially . . .

*A brief silence.*

Thank you, Jesus, for walking with us on our Emmaus roads. for speaking clear words that bring Scripture to life in our hearts. for making yourself known to us in the breaking of the bread. and for your patient kindness when we are sad and bewildered. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You ransom and purify your Church with your own precious blood. Grant that the

Church glorifies you, lives in glad obedience to you, and preaches your Gospel to all. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Hear the cries of those who are persecuted on account of you. Deliver them from suffering and sorrow. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Let the teaching and testimony of missionaries, pastors, and theologians of the Church cause many hearts to burn with repentance, faith, and joy. Prosper the words and works all who walk in paths of discipleship, to your glory and for the building up of your people. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Bless this congregation with your dear presence. Let our hearts burn within us as we hear your Word. Come to us in the breaking of the bread at your Table. Kindle sincere affection and love between us all. Make us eager and tireless in telling our family, friends, and

neighbors about your love for them,  
which has triumphed over sin and death.  
Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

Heal the suspicions, cruelty, and self-centeredness which afflict the people and leaders of every nation. Teach us reverent obedience to your Father, who judges impartially according to our deeds. Give us strength to help however we can. Make all of us slow to condemn and swift to show mercy. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

Dear Jesus, with gratitude and affection, we remember your servants whose death is precious in your sight. Stay with us who still walk the long Emmaus roads of life.. Lead us into your Father's house. There, with everyone whom you have delivered from death, we will lift your Cup of salvation; eat your Bread of Life; behold you face to face; and adore you in the power of the Spirit forever. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

We pray for our bishop, Dan (Selbo), for the staff of the North American Lutheran Church, for our Northeast Mission District, for our Atlantic Mission Region, for each of the congregations of the NALC, and especially today for Christ Lutheran Church in Womelsdorf, Pennsylvania. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Guide this Church, each congregation, and each of us to embrace the gift that we are a part of the faithful witness of the one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church across all time and space. Motivate us by your Holy Spirit to always hold fast to the creeds, and to practice forms and expressions of worship and Word and Sacrament ministry that are consistent with the Holy Scriptures. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer**

We pray for the guidance of the Holy Spirit as we continue with the important undertaking of calling a new pastor. Inspire each member of the Trinity family to diligently participate in your mission. We ask that you keep us bound together in love and commitment

as we proceed in faith on our journey to  
call a new shepherd. Lord in your  
mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

Into your hands, gracious God, we  
commend all for whom we pray, trusting  
in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our  
Savior.

**Amen.**

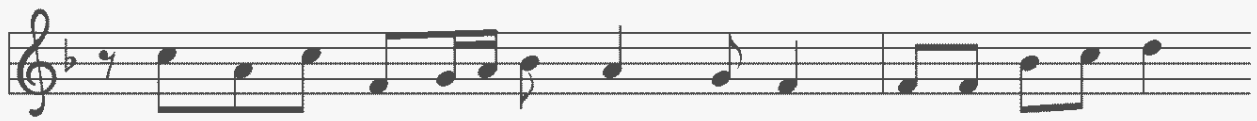
## **PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

## **OFFERING**

## **OFFERTORY:**

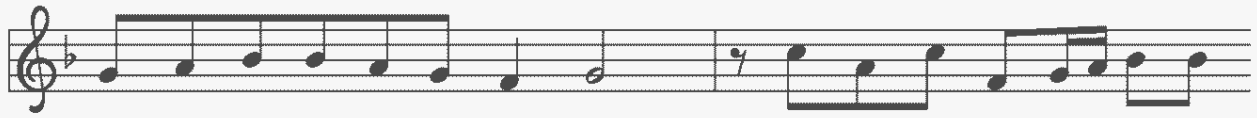
Create in Me a Clean Heart  
*Offering Song*



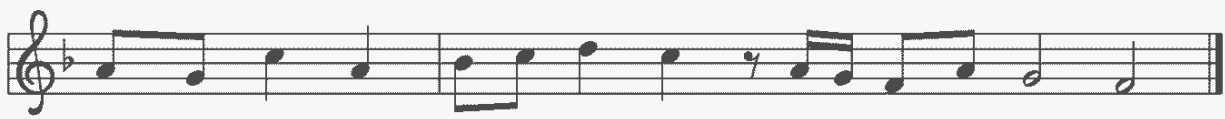
Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re-new a right



spir-it with-in me. Cast me not a-way from your pres-ence, and take



not your Ho-ly Spir-it from me. Re-store to me the joy of



your sal-va-tion, and up-hold me with your free Spir-it.

## OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

Merciful God,  
accept the fruits of our labor, gathered  
to give you glory. You have set a table  
before us, a glimpse of that great day  
when we will hunger and thirst no more.  
Nourish us with the body and blood of  
Jesus, that goodness and mercy may  
follow us and bless the world you love.  
In the name of Jesus,

**Amen.**

## DIALOGUE

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 our thanks and praise.

# PREFACE

*[Easter]*

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, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ,

the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin; who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life.

And so,

*[with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and]*

with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



# Thanksgiving at the Table:

*(The Season of Easter)*

Holy, living, and loving God,  
we praise you for creating the  
heavens and the earth.

We bless you for bringing Noah  
and his family through the  
waters of the flood,  
for freeing your people Israel  
from the bonds of slavery,  
and for sending your Son to be  
our Redeemer.

We give you thanks for Jesus  
who, living among us,  
healed the sick,  
fed the hungry,  
and with a love stronger than  
death, gave his life for others.

*In the night in which our Lord  
Jesus was betrayed, we recall  
how He took bread and wine and*

*promised his disciples that they were about to receive his very body and blood.*

*In like manner, as we partake of these consecrated elements of bread and wine, we too are recipients of that very same promise of the forgiveness of our sins and the promise of everlasting life.*

Remembering, therefore, his life-giving death and glorious resurrection, we await your promised life for all this dying world.

Breathe your Spirit on us and on this bread and cup:  
carry us in your arms from death to life, that we may live as your chosen ones, clothed in the righteousness of Christ.

Through him all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.

**Amen**

## LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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

Come to the table of new life.  
Receive the risen Lord.

## COMMUNION SONG



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.

## COMMUNION

The body of Christ, given for you.  
The blood of Christ, shed for you.  
**Amen.**

## BLESSING FOLLOWING EACH TABLE

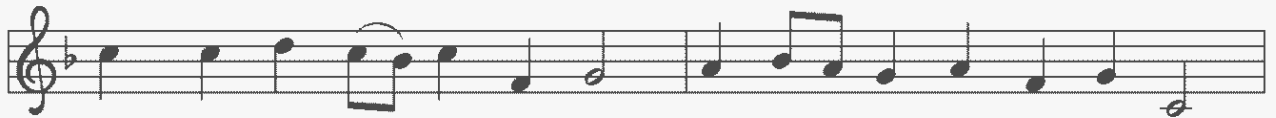
Depart in peace and the Lord go with  
you.  
**Amen.**

## **POST-COMMUNION BLESSING**

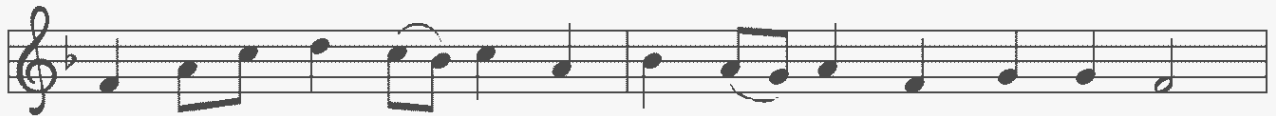
May the body and blood of our Lord  
Jesus Christ strengthen us and keep us  
in his grace.

# SONG AFTER COMMUNION

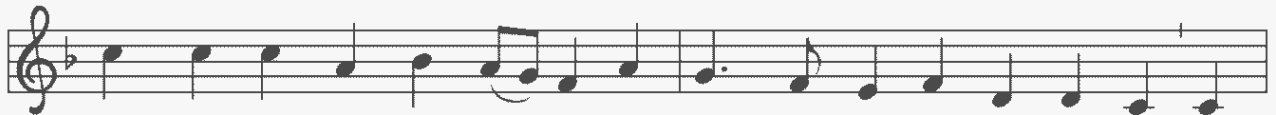
## Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise



Thank-ful hearts and voic - es raise; tell ev-'ry-one what God has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.



Send us with your prom - is - es and lead your peo - ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Holy One,  
through this meal you have made your  
home among us and are making all  
things new. Send us now to speak  
peace to anxious hearts, to love our  
enemies, and to bring your healing to  
the nations. In the name of Jesus,

Amen.

## BLESSING

People of God,  
we are Christ's body,  
bringing new life to a suffering world.  
May the holy Trinity, ✝ one God,  
bless us now and forever.

Amen.

## Go, My Children, with My Blessing



- 1 "Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, nev - er a - lone.  
 2 "Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure.  
 3 "Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, clos - er to me.



Wak - ing, sleep - ing, I am with you, you are my own.  
 Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.  
 Grow in love and love by serv - ing, joy - ful and free.



In my love's bap - tis - mal riv - er I have made you mine for - ev - er.  
 Here you heard my dear Son's sto - ry, here you touched him, saw his glo - ry.  
 Here my Spir - it's pow - er filled you, here my ten - der com - fort stilled you.



Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, you are my own."  
 Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure."  
 Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, joy - ful and free."

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Go in peace. The living Word dwells in us.

Thanks be to God.