

All Saints Sunday
November 1, 2026
9:30 AM

Amazing Grace Lutheran Church

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Welcome friends in Christ! We're grateful for your presence here in worship today.
If you are visiting, please sign the guest book in the entryway.

- Children are welcome to utilize the open space in the back for quiet play during worship.
- The nursery is available if a child needs a noisier space, with parental supervision.
- Feel free to remain seated at any time during the service.

GATHER:
We gather as people of God, a family of faith.

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.

Centering Music *Use this opportunity to center yourself before worship*

For the Saints **Ruth Elaine Schram**

Welcome

A Litany for All Saints
By Ruth Duck
We have come to affirm our historic, living faith.
To worship the God of our ancestors through the ages.
We have come to remember God's benefits to us the living.
To respond in thanksgiving to the mighty works of God in our lives.
We have come to affirm our trust in the God of all futures,
To whose name be blessing and honor, glory and power forever and ever. Amen.

Thanksgiving for Baptism
Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, the fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation.
Amen.

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.

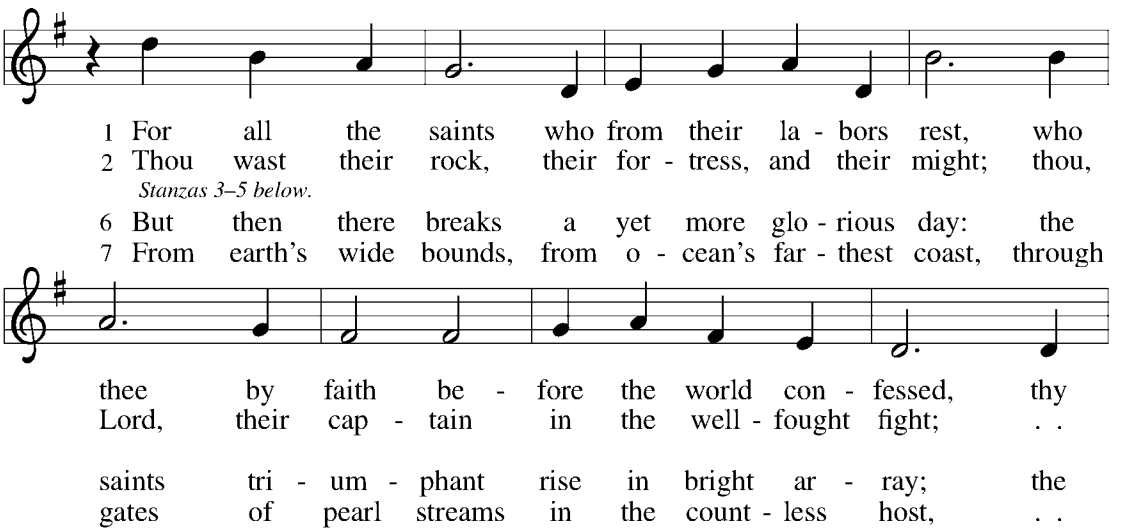
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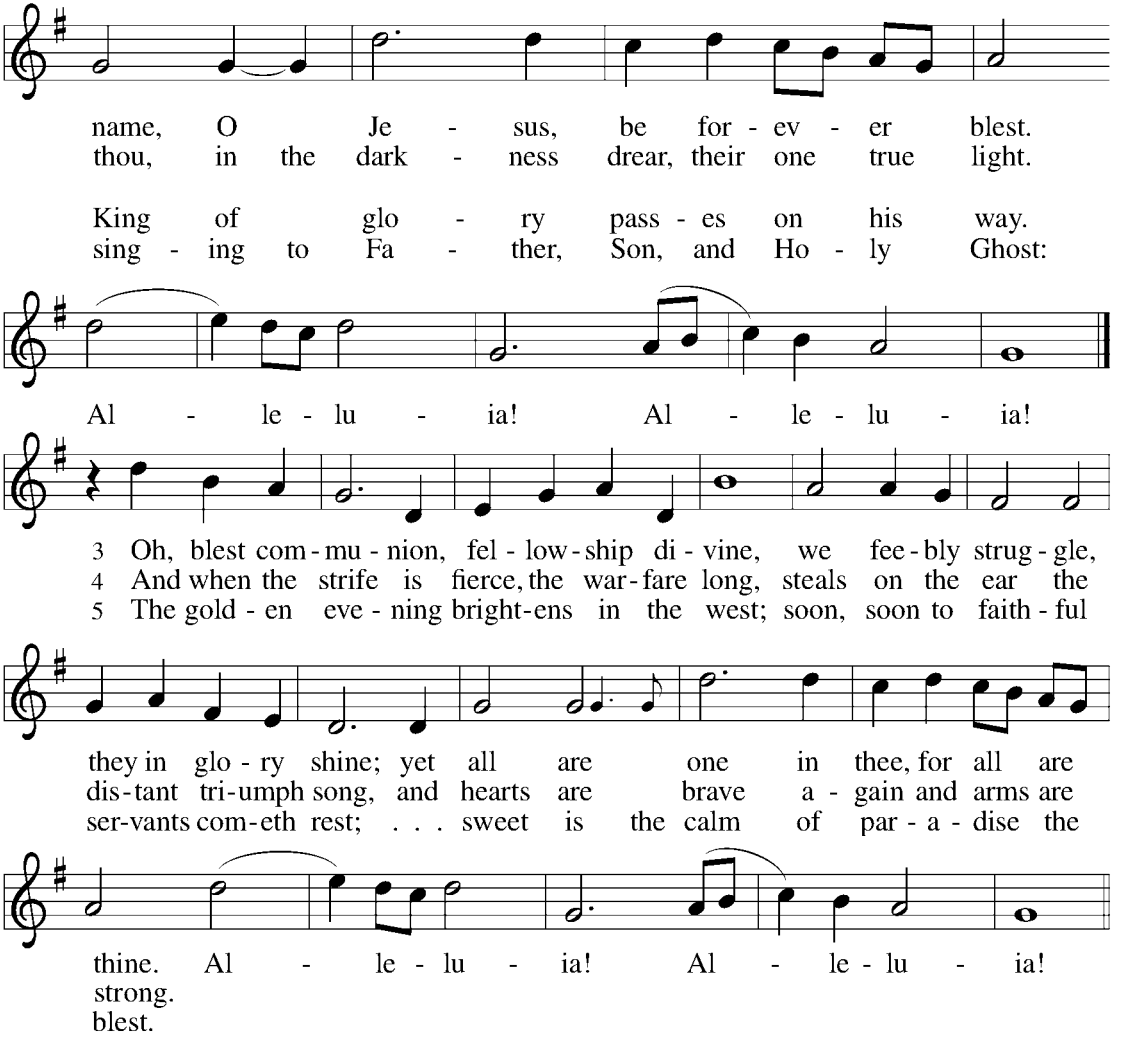
We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning you created us in your image and placed us in a well-watered garden. In the desert, you promised pools of water for the parched, and you gave us water from the rock. When we did not know the way, you sent the Good Shepherd to lead us to still waters. At the cross, you washed us from Jesus' wounded side, and on this day, you shower us again with the water of life.

We praise you for your salvation through water,
for the water in this font, and for all water everywhere.
We thank you for the Mississippi, Minnesota, and St. Croix rivers, for the ponds that bring beauty to our lives, and for Simley, Marcott, and Seidls lakes.
Bathe us in your forgiveness, grace, and love.
Satisfy all who thirst and give us the life only you can give.
To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ,
our living water, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.
Amen.

Gathering Hymn: For All the Saints *(Verses 1, 2, 6, 7)* **ELW 422**

For All the Saints





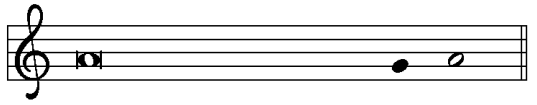
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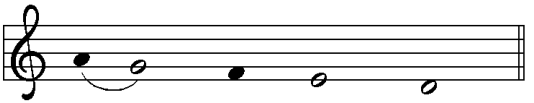
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

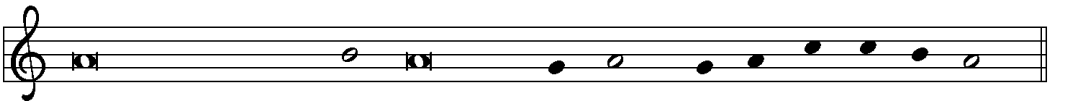
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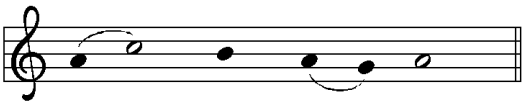


In peace, let us pray to the Lord.
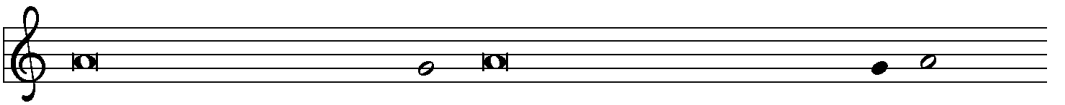


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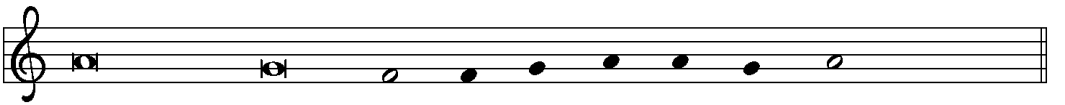


For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.
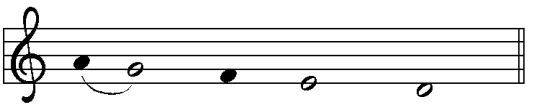


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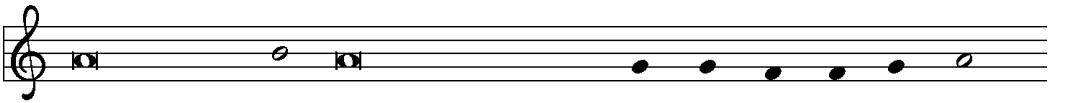
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



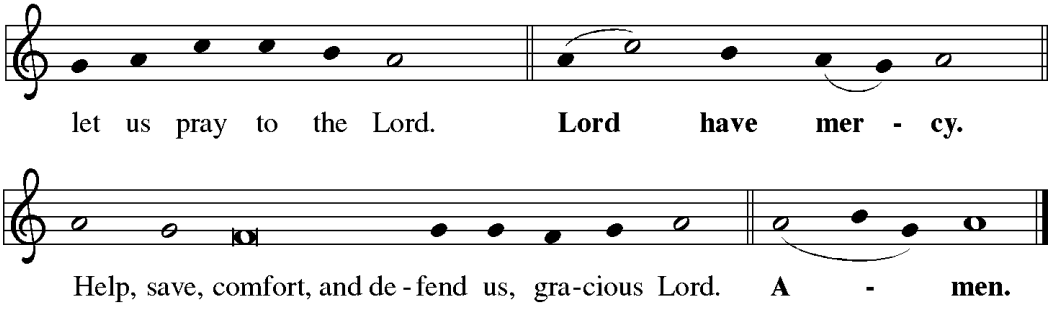
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



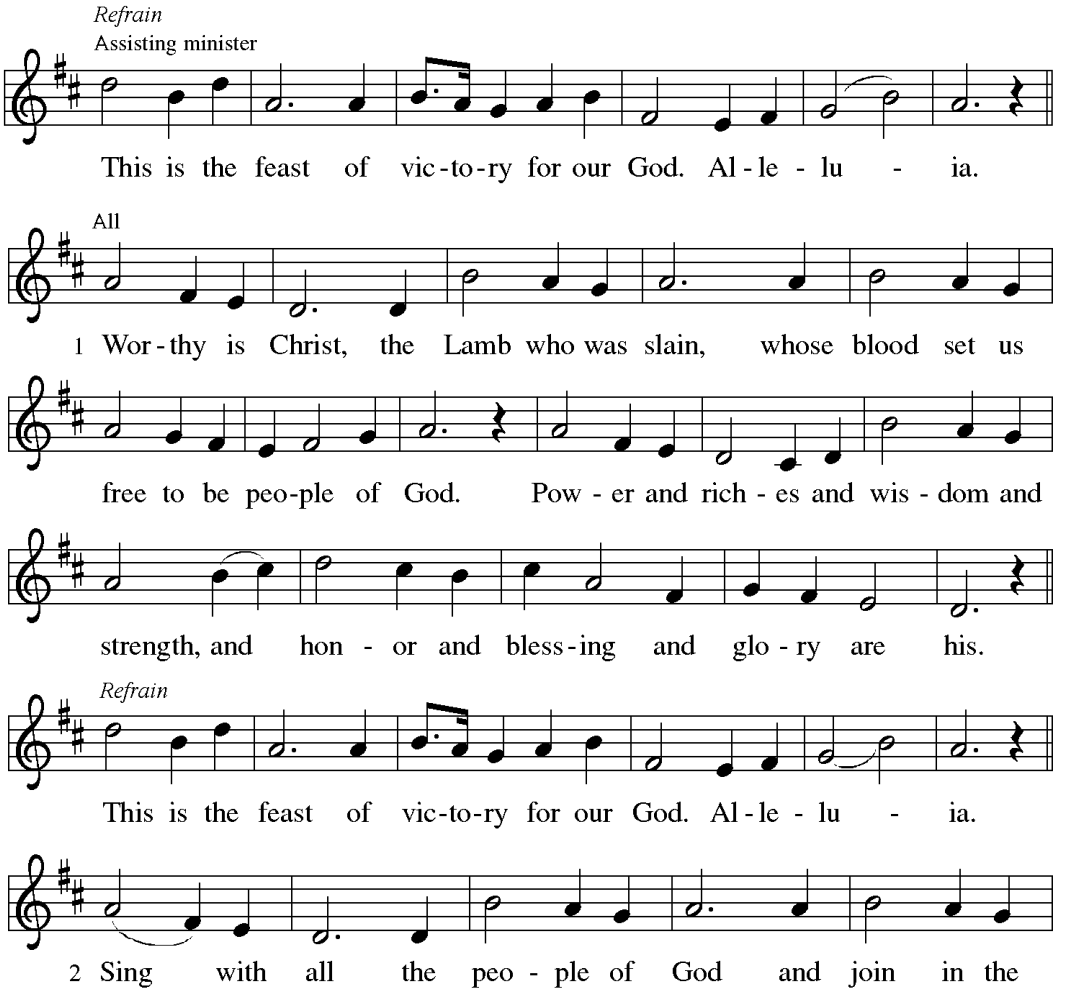
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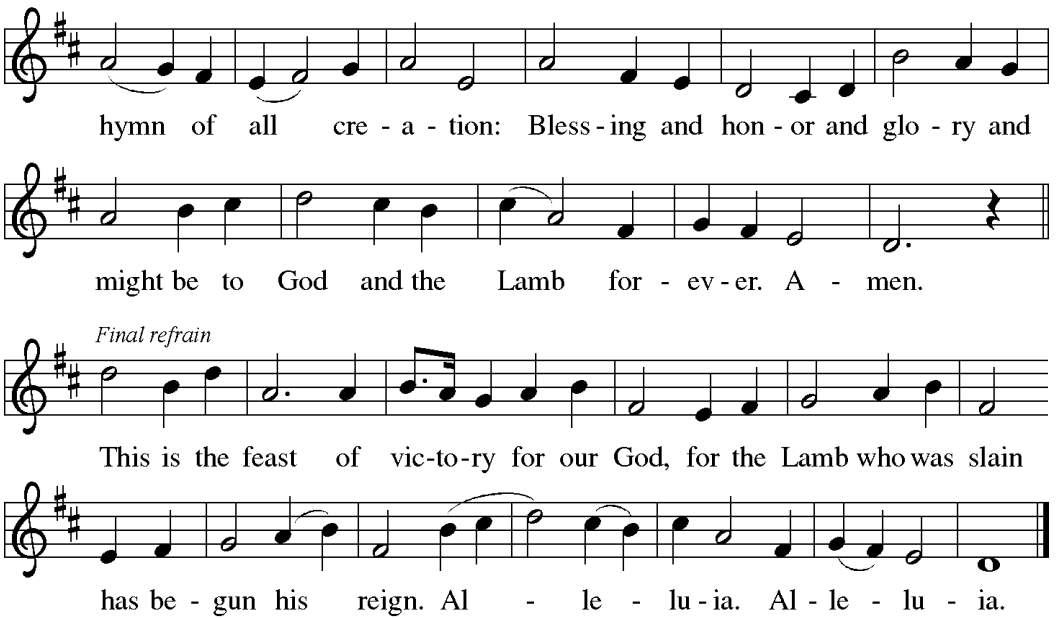


For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor - ship and praise,



Canticle: **Setting 4**





Prayer of the Day
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.

GROW:
We grow as we are fed by the Word and nourished at the Lord's table.

First Reading: Revelation 7:9-17
The book of Revelation is written to seven churches in western Asia Minor during a time of great oppression. Today's reading is a response to the question from 6:17: "Who is able to stand?" The writer gives the assurance of God's protection and a vision of victory.
9 After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. 10 They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

"Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne and to the Lamb!"
11 And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, 12 singing,
"Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom
and thanksgiving and honor
and power and might
be to our God forever and ever! Amen."
13 Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" 14 I said to him, "Sir, you are the one who knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.
15 For this reason they are before the throne of God
and worship him day and night within his temple,
and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.
16 They will hunger no more and thirst no more;
the sun will not strike them,
nor any scorching heat,
17 for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd,
and he will guide them to springs of the water of life,
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."
The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

Gospel Acclamation:
Alleluia!
Alleluia!
They are before the throne of God,
And the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.
Alleluia!
Alleluia!

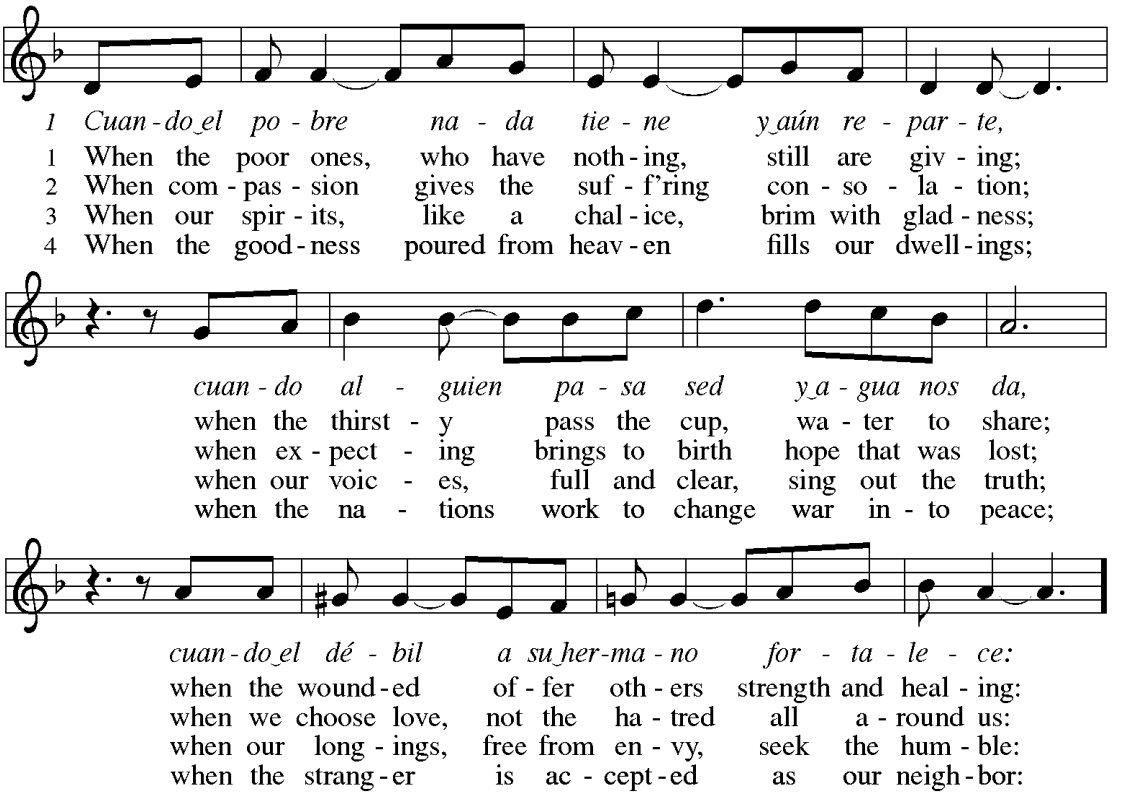
Gospel Reading: Matthew 5:1-12
1 When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. 2 And he began to speak and taught them, saying:
3 "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
4 "Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.
5 "Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.
6 "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.
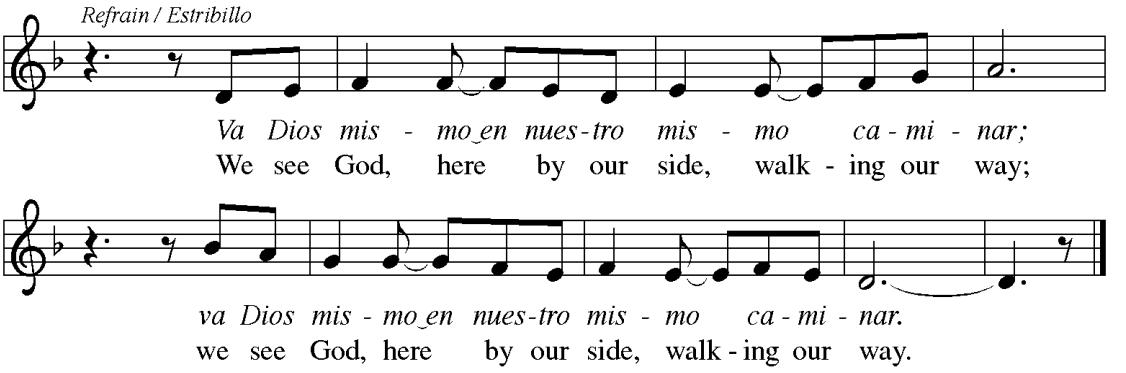
[7] "Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.
[8] "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.
[9] "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.
[10] "Blessed are those who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
[11] "Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. [12] Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."
The Gospel of our Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ!

Message **Pastor Tim Maybee**

Hymn of the Day: When the Poor Ones **ELW 725**

When the Poor Ones
Cuando el pobre





Text: José Antonio Olivar, b. 1939; tr. Martin A. Seltz, b. 1951
Music: EL CAMINO, Miguel Manzano, b. 1934
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Confession of Faith

Living together in trust and hope, let us confess our faith.

We are not alone,
we live in God's world.
We believe in God:
who has created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus,
the Word made flesh,
to reconcile and make new,
who works in us and others
by the Spirit.
We trust in God.
We are called to be the Church:
to celebrate God's presence,
to live with respect in Creation,
to love and serve others,
to seek justice and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,
our judge and our hope.
In life, in death, in life beyond death,
God is with us.
We are not alone.
Thanks be to God.

Prayers of Intercession

United with the great cloud of witnesses, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

Fill your church with mercy and humility as we proclaim the gospel in our worship and witness in the world. Renew and inspire all who preach and teach among us. Empower our partners in Magulilwa, Tanzania. God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Restore all lands suffering from ecological degradation. Protect soils and waterways. Point us toward innovative ways of living in harmony and joy with creation. God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Unite the nations in their actions toward justice and peace. Raise up leaders who listen deeply for the needs of their communities, and surround the election process with wisdom and discernment. God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Bring comfort and care to all who are in need, especially all who mourn this day. Sustain any who are weary, experiencing loneliness, or struggling with chronic illness, especially those we name before you now… God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Nurture programs and communities that support elders and those who are homebound. Bless caregivers, nurses, chaplains, social workers, and hospice staff. Guide this congregation's ministry with seniors and their families. God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

God of grace, we celebrate with those who have been baptized into Christ, becoming saints by water and word.

Margaret Elizabeth Teiken
Edith Jane Teiken
Noah Min Walseth
John William Zeyer
Charlotte Anne Zeyer
Charlotte Marie Kroeninger

Holy One, we remember in thanksgiving all those who have passed from their earthly journey into the fullness of eternal life.

Elizabeth (Betty) Susan Frid
Maurice John Westphal
Dona Mae Gilbertson
Gordon Harold Johnson

All those, unnamed here, whose deaths have impacted members of this community. Hear us, O God.
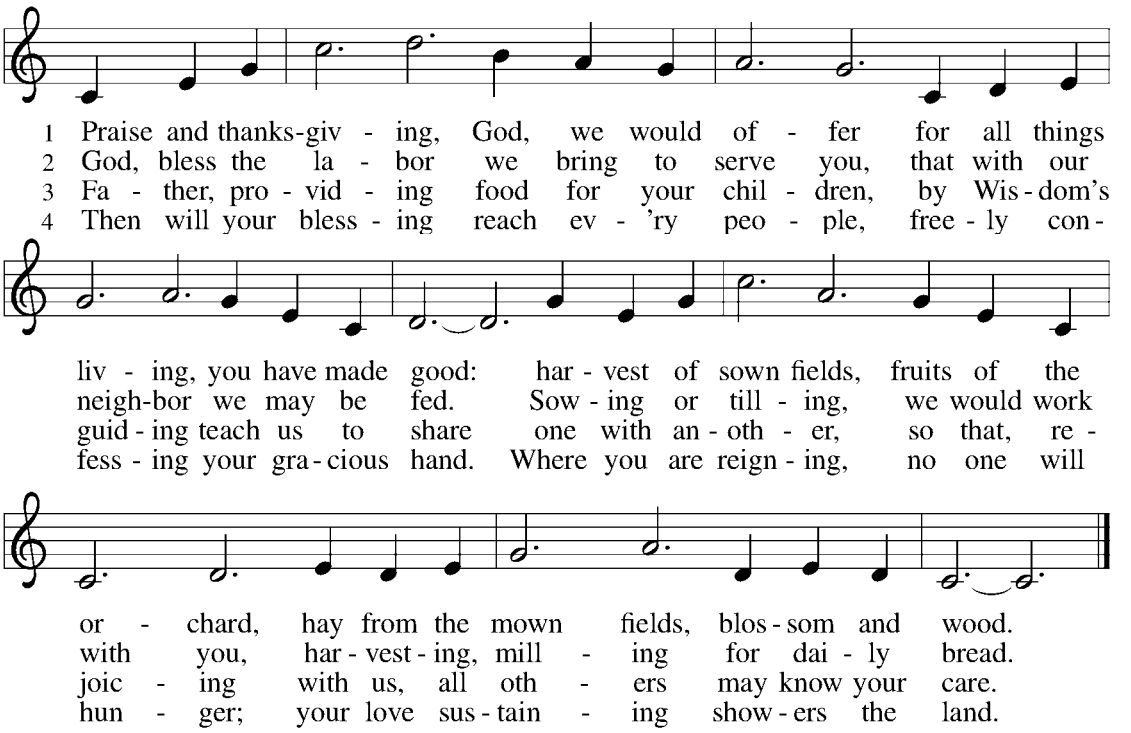
Your mercy is great.
Into your steadfast love, faithful God, we entrust all for whom we pray, in the name of Jesus, your beloved.
Amen.

Peace
The peace of the risen Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

Offering
AGLC gives in the style of our Tanzanian partners. You may place any gift in the basket as you come forward for communion. If you don't have a physical gift to share, you are encouraged to dip your hand in the basket as a reminder that God uses you to do God's work in the world.

Offering Song: Praise and Thanksgiving **ELW 689**

Praise and Thanksgiving



Text: Albert F. Bayly, 1901–1984, alt.
Music: BUNESSAN, Gaelic tune
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Offering Prayer
Eternal God, our time, talents, and treasures are gifts from you. Receive what we offer, and all that you entrust to us, until hungry no more, all the world is fed, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

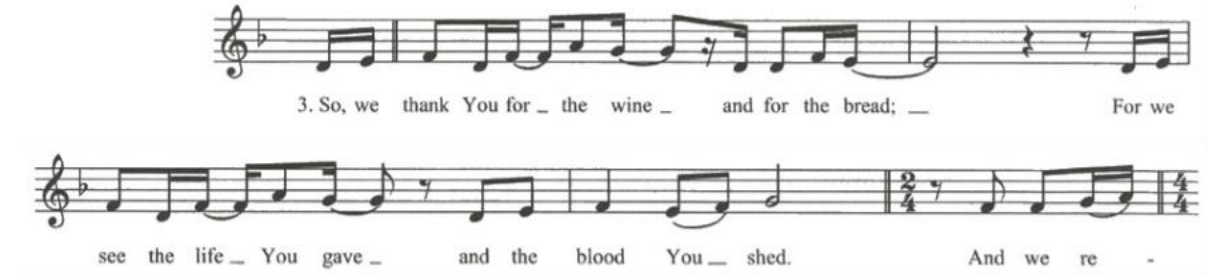
HOLY COMMUNION
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

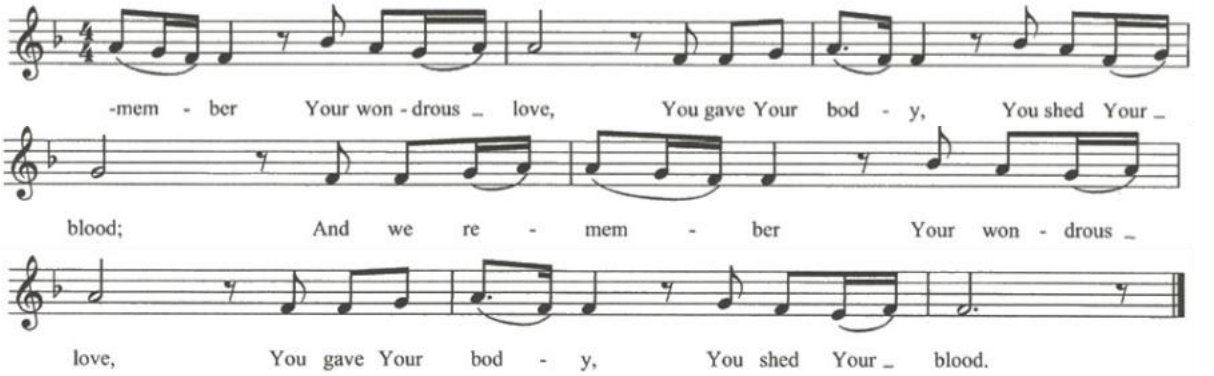
We praise you, all-holy God,
Our maker, our lover, our keeper,
For the universe beyond our knowing,
For lands and seas and all their creatures,
For friends and strangers and family,
For homes and grocery stores and schools.

We praise you for the witness of your covenant people,
For Abraham and Sarah, Moses, and Miriam,
We praise you for the witness of centuries of faithful followers-of-Christ,
For Mary Magdalene, Peter, and Paul.

We praise you for your Son Jesus Christ,
Who saves us from sin and from evil.

Sung Words of Institution
Verses 1 & 2: Pastor, Verse 3: All





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Lord's Prayer

Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray…

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.

Invitation

Amazing Grace Lutheran Church practices open communion. Whether you are a member of AGLC or not, you are invited to the table that is set by Christ for you.
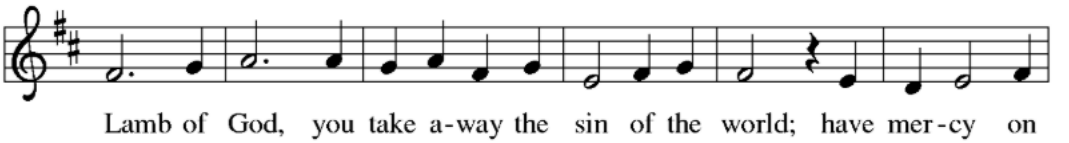
In bread and cup the reign of Christ is breaking in. Come, receive what Christ has prepared.

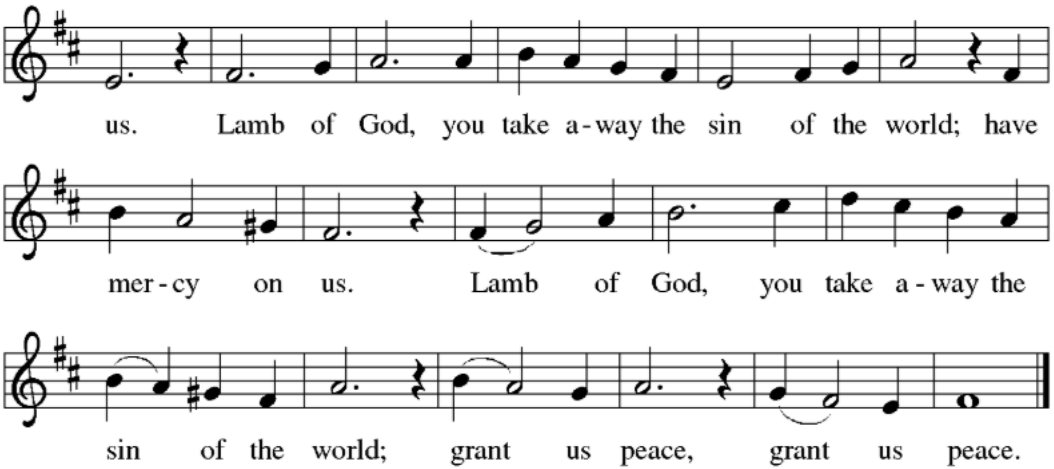
Distribution

P: The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.

The wine used in worship is alcohol-free. Gluten-free bread is available upon request.

Communion Songs: **Setting 4**





Come to Table **ELW 481**
All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly **ELW 461**
Shall We Gather at the River **ELW 423**

Prayer after Communion
Holy God,
we have received your never-ending mercy in this meal. You continuously seek the lost, bind the injured, and feed your people abundantly. Now send us out, awake to your presence, now and forever.
Amen.
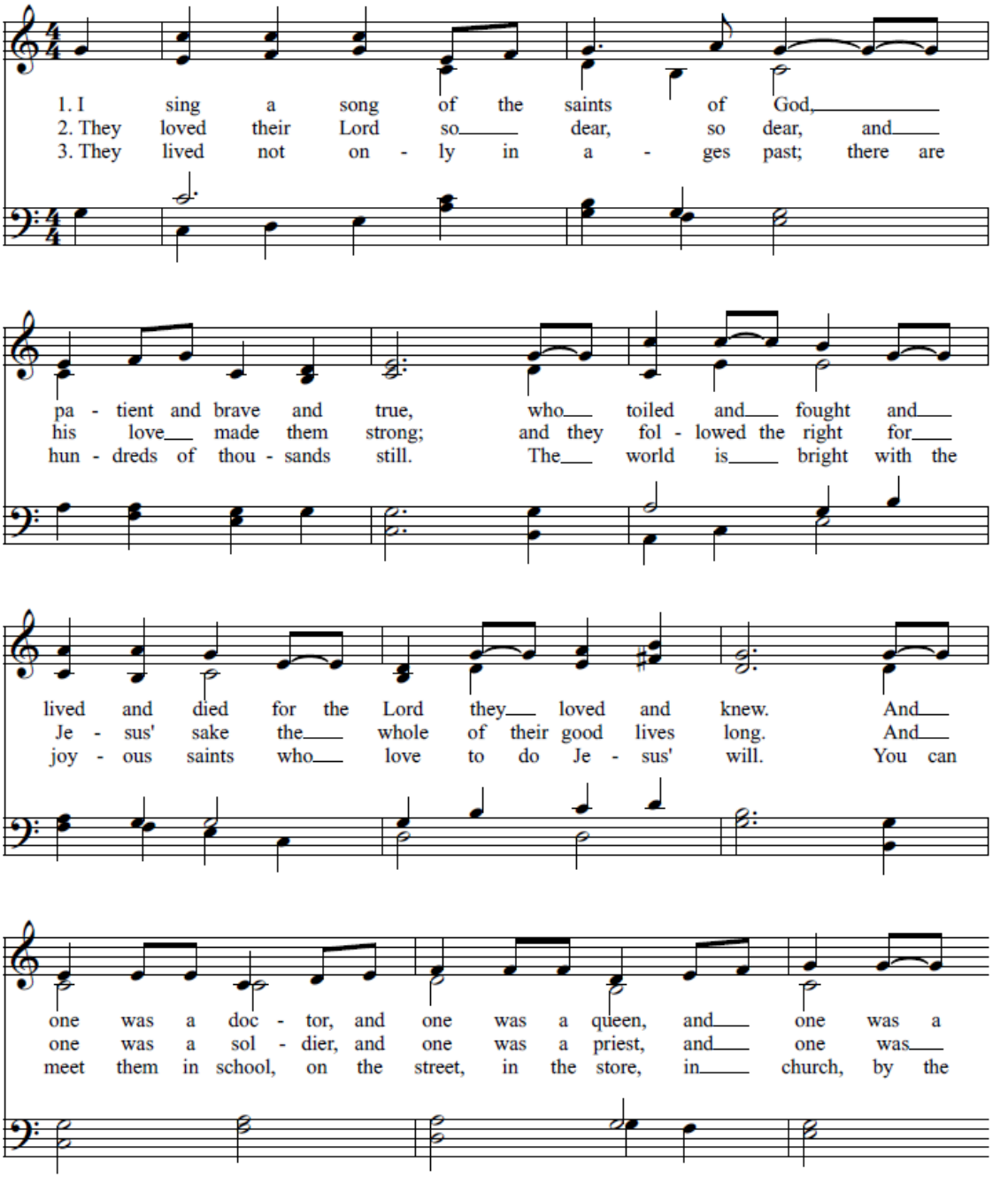
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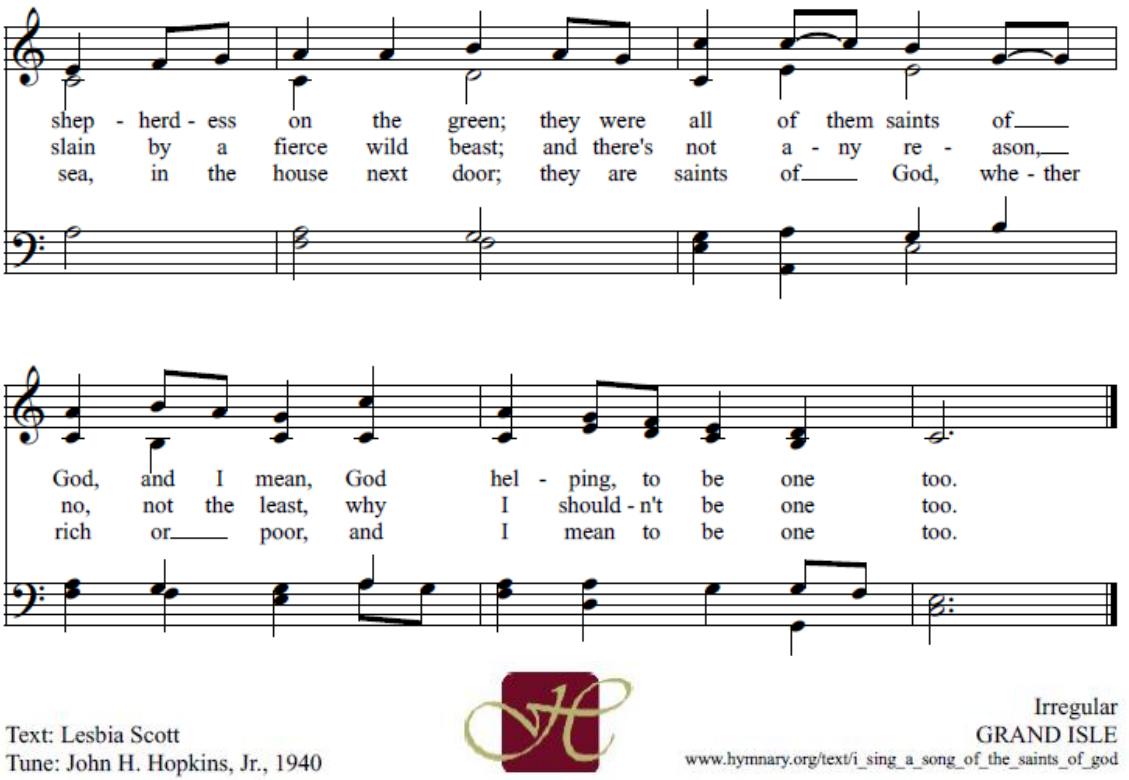
GO:
We go into the world, sent by God, to serve all people in the name of Jesus.

Benediction
The holy Trinity,
Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you with wisdom to welcome the reign of God,
today and always.
Amen.

Sending Hymn: I Sing a Song of the Saints of God

I Sing a Song of the Saints of God





Text: Lesbia Scott
Tune: John H. Hopkins, Jr., 1940

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Dismissal
Go in peace. Encourage one another.
Thanks be to God!

Postlude: I Sing a Song of the Saints of God **Hugh S. Livingston, Jr.**