



St. John's Lutheran Church Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

REFORMATION

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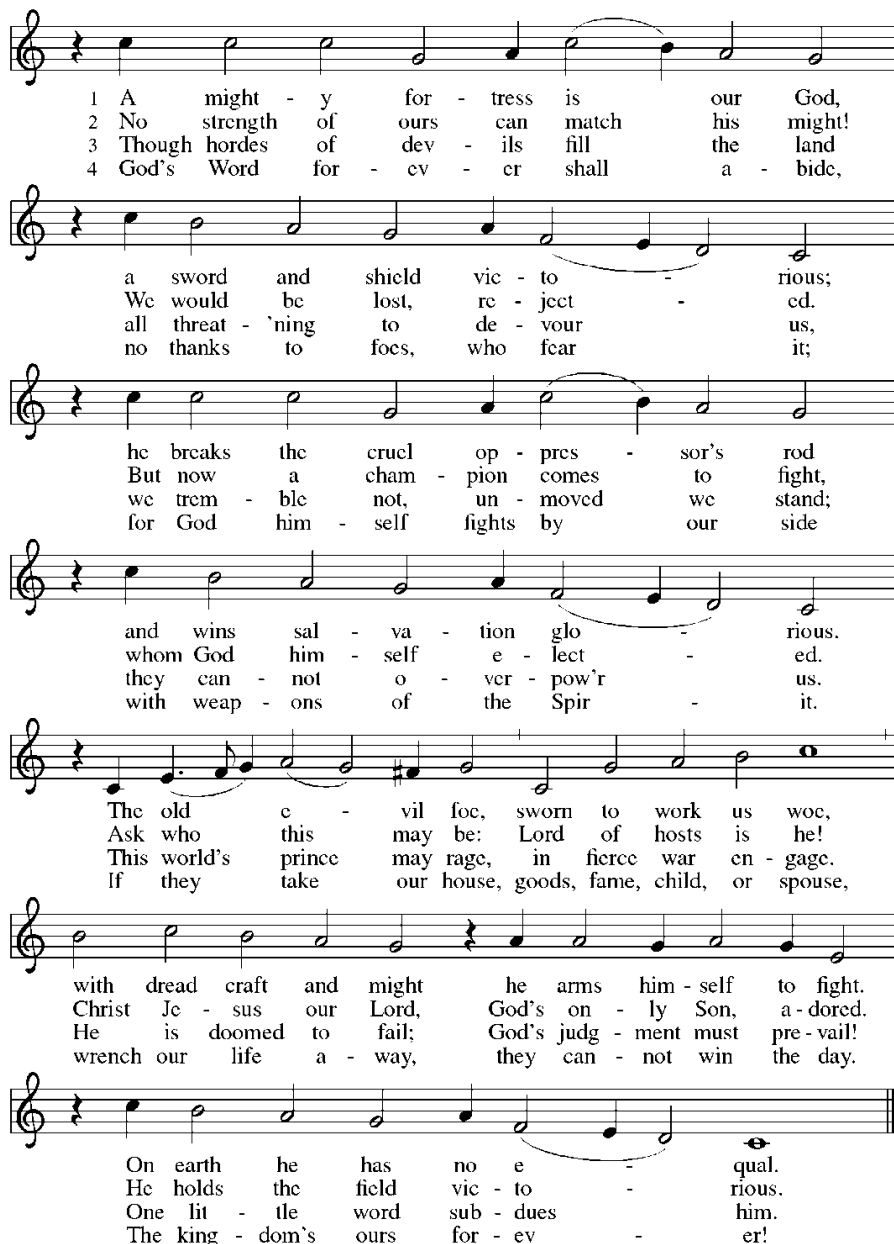
Rooted in the past and growing into the future, the church must always be reformed in order to live out the love of Christ in an ever-changing world. We celebrate the good news of God's grace, that Jesus Christ sets us free every day to do this life-transforming work. Trusting in the freedom given to us in baptism, we pray for the church, that Christians will unite more fully in worship and mission.

PRELUDE *The prelude signals a time of silent prayer and reflection.*

We stand.

HYMN AT THE PROCESSION

A Mighty Fortress



1 A might - y for - tress is our God,
 2 No strength of ours can match his might!
 3 Though hordes of dev - ils fill the land
 4 God's Word for - ev - er shall a - bide,

a sword and shield vic - to - rious;
 We would be lost, re - ject - ed.
 all threat - 'ning to de - vour us,
 no thanks to foes, who fear it;

he breaks the cruel op - pres - sor's rod
 But now a cham - pion comes to fight,
 we trem - ble not, un - moved we stand;
 for God him - self fights by our side

and wins sal - va - tion glo - rious.
 whom God him - self e - lect - ed.
 they can - not o - ver - pow'r us,
 with weap - ons of the Spir - it.

The old e - vil foe, sworn to work us woe,
 Ask who this may be: Lord of hosts is he!
 This world's prince may rage, in fierce war en - gage.
 If they take our house, goods, fame, child, or spouse,

with dread craft and might he arms him - self to fight.
 Christ Je - sus our Lord, God's on - ly Son, a - dored.
 He is doomed to fail; God's judg - ment must pre - vail!
 wrench our life a - way, they can - not win the day.

On earth he has no e - qual.
 He holds the field vic - to - rious.
 One lit - tle word sub - dues him.
 The king - dom's ours for - ev - er!

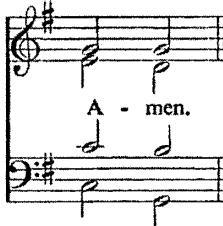
CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism.



IN the Name of the Father, and of
the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.

¶ *The Congregation shall sing or say:*



THE CONFESSION OF SINS

¶ *The Minister shall say:*

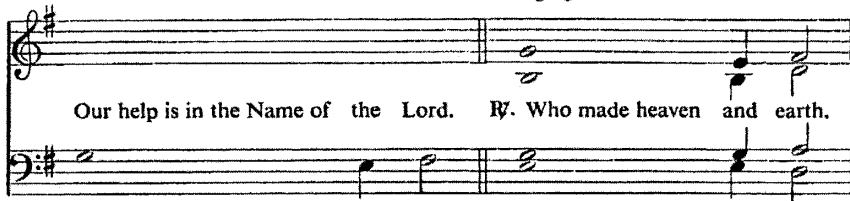
BELOVED in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart, and confess
our sins unto God our Father, beseeching him, in the Name of our
Lord Jesus Christ, to grant us forgiveness.

¶ *The Minister and Congregation may kneel.*

¶ *They shall sing or say:*

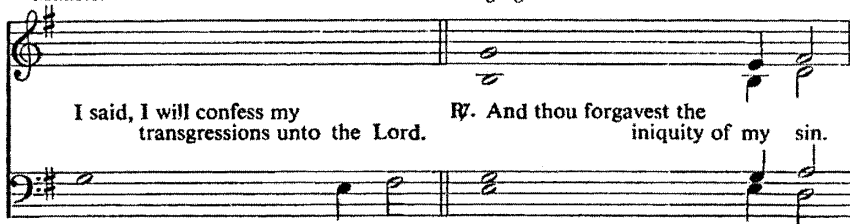
Minister

Congregation



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¶ *Then shall the Minister say:*

ALMIGHTY God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto thee, that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against thee by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to thine infinite mercy, seeking and imploring thy grace, for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

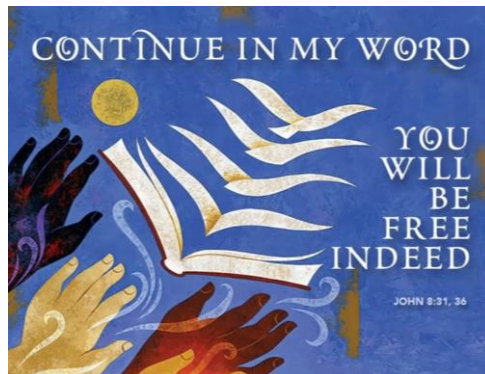
¶ *The Congregation shall say with the Minister:*

O MOST merciful God, who hast given thine only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us, and for his sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by thy Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of thee and of thy will, and true obedience to thy Word, that by thy grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ *Then the Minister, standing, and facing the Congregation, shall say:*

ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, hath had mercy upon us, and hath given his only Son to die for us, and for his sake forgiveth us all our sins. To them that believe on his Name, he giveth power to become the sons of God, and bestoweth upon them his Holy Spirit. He that believeth, and is baptized, shall be saved. Grant this, O Lord, unto us all.

¶ *The Congregation shall sing or say:*



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 & GLORIA

Minister



1. Lord, have mercy upon us. 2. Christ, have mercy
upon us. 3. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Congregation

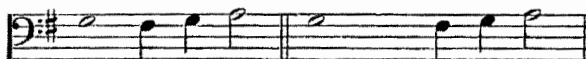
1. ♪. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

2. ♪. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us.

3. ♪. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Organ

Minister



Glory be to God on high!

Congregation

Old Scottish Chant

Musical notation for the Congregation and Old Scottish Chant parts. The Congregation part is in the treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The Old Scottish Chant part is in the bass clef with the same key signature. Both parts consist of a single melodic line with a repeat sign at the end.

And on earth peace, good - will toward men. We praise thee, we bless thee,

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we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,

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O Lord God, heaven - ly King, God the Father Al - mighty.

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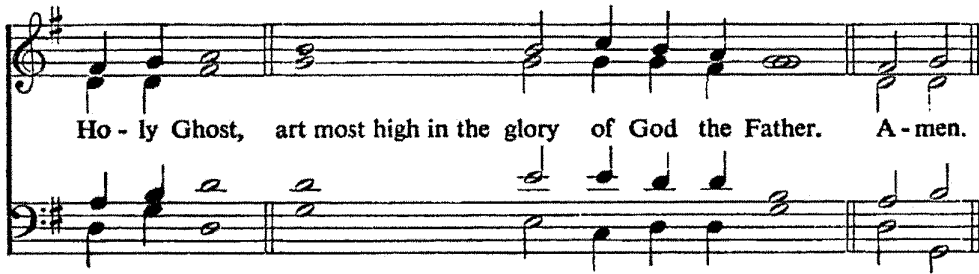
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Je - sus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God,

Son of the Father, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy

up - on us. Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re - ceive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up - on us. For thou

on - ly art holy; thou on - ly art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the



PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Gracious Father, we pray for your holy catholic church. Fill it with all truth and peace. Where it is corrupt, purify it; where it is in error, direct it; where in anything it is amiss, reform it; where it is right, strengthen it; where it is in need, provide for it; where it is divided, reunite it; for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

We sit.

WORD

FIRST READING

JEREMIAH 31:31-34

A reading from Jeremiah.

THE days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ³²It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. ³³But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, “Know the Lord,” for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sung by the choir.

- ¹God is our hope and strength :
a very present help in trouble.
- ²Therefore will we not fear, though the earth be moved :
and though the hills be carried into the midst of the sea.
- ³Though the waters thereof rage and swell :
and though the mountains shake at the tempest of the same.
- ⁴The rivers of the flood thereof shall make glad the city of God :
the holy place of the tabernacle of the most Highest.
- ⁵God is in the midst of her, therefore shall she not be removed :
God shall help her, and that right early.
- ⁶The heathen make much ado, and the kingdoms are moved :
but God hath shewed his voice, and the earth shall melt away.
- ⁷The Lord of hosts is with us :
the God of Jacob is our refuge.
- ⁸O come hither, and behold the works of the Lord :
what destruction he hath brought upon the earth.
- ⁹He maketh wars to cease in all the world :
he breaketh the bow, and knappeth the spear in sunder, and burneth the
chariots in the fire.
- ¹⁰Be still then, and know that I am God :
I will be exalted among the heathen, and I will be exalted in the earth.
- ¹¹The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

SECOND READING

ROMANS 3:19-28

A reading from Romans.

NOW we know that whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. ²⁰For “no human being will be justified in his sight” by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin.

²¹But now, apart from law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is attested by the law and the prophets, ²²the righteousness of God through faith in

Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, ²³since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; ²⁴they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith. He did this to show his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed; ²⁶it was to prove at the present time that he himself is righteous and that he justifies the one who has faith in Jesus.

²⁷Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. By what law? By that of works? No, but by the law of faith. ²⁸For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

We stand.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The assembly faces the center aisle to welcome Christ in the Gospel.



GOSPEL

JOHN 8:31-36

The holy gospel according to John.

Sung **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; ³²and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." ³³They answered him, "We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, 'You will be made free?'"

³⁴Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. ³⁶So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed."

The gospel of the Lord.

Sung **Praise to you, O Christ.**

We sit.

SERMON

THE REV. NICK SOLLUM

We stand.

HYMN OF THE DAY

Lord, keep us steadfast

1. Lord, keep us stead - fast in thy word, Curb
2. Lord Je - sus Christ, thy power make known, For

those who fain by craft or sword Would wrest the king-dom from thy
thou art Lord of lords a - lone; De - fend thy Chris-ten - dom, that

Son, And set at naught all he hath done.
we May ev - er - more sing praise to thee. A - men.

3 O Comforter of priceless worth,
Send peace and unity on earth;
Support us in our final strife,
And lead us out of death to life. Amen.

NICENE CREED

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.

We kneel or sit.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Each intercession ends with these words:

Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

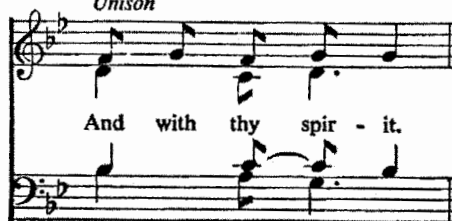
We stand.

PEACE



¶ *The Congregation shall sing or say:*

Unison



We sit.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEAL

OFFERING

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

OFFERTORY HYMN

Soul, adorn yourself with gladness

HYMN 488

We stand.

HYMN AT THE PRESENTATION

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

new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -

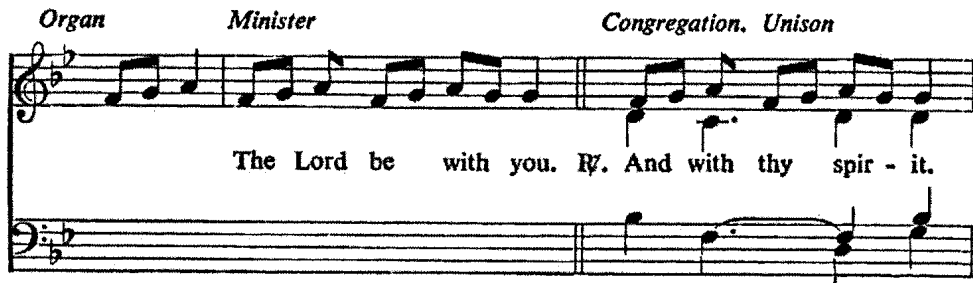
way from thy pres - ence: and take not thy Ho - ly

Spir - it from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of

thy sal - va - tion: and up - hold me with thy free Spir - it.

SURSUM CORDA//PROPER PREFACE//SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

Organ *Minister* *Congregation. Unison*



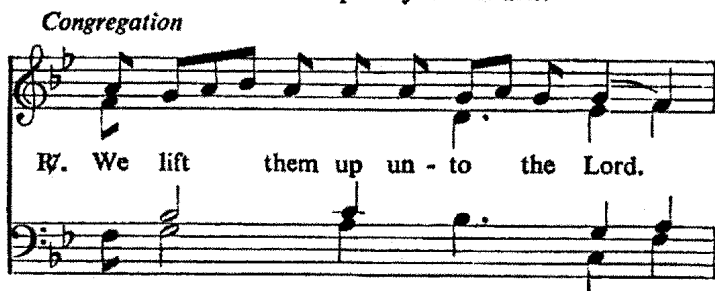
The Lord be with you. *R.* And with thy spir - it.

Minister



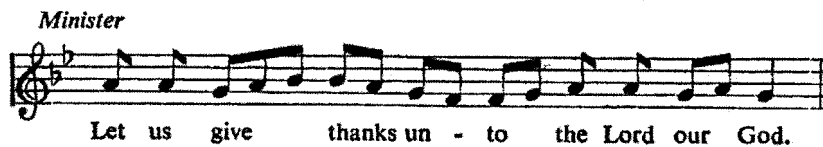
Lift up your hearts.

Congregation



R. We lift them up un - to the Lord.

Minister



Let us give thanks un - to the Lord our God.

Congregation



R. It is meet and right so to do.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise . . . *Here the minister continues with the preface for the day, concluding: we praise your name and join their unending hymn:*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of Sa - ba - oth;

Heaven and earth are full of thy glo - ry; Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Bless - ed is he that com - eth in the

Name of the Lord; Ho - san - na in the high - est.

HOLY art thou, Almighty and Merciful God. Holy art thou, and great is the Majesty of thy glory.

Thou didst so love the world as to give thine only-begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him might not perish, but have everlasting life; Who, having come into the world to fulfill for us thy holy will and to accomplish all things for our salvation, **IN THE NIGHT IN WHICH** (a) *Here he shall*
HE WAS BETRAYED, ^a**TOOK BREAD; AND, WHEN HE HAD** *take the BREAD in his*
GIVEN THANKS, HE BRAKE IT AND GAVE IT TO HIS DIS- *hand.*
CIPLES, SAYING, TAKE, EAT; THIS IS MY BODY, WHICH IS GIVEN FOR YOU; THIS DO
IN REMEMBRANCE OF ME.

AFTER THE SAME MANNER ALSO, HE ^b**TOOK THE CUP,** (b) *Here he shall*
WHEN HE HAD SUPPED, AND, WHEN HE HAD GIVEN *take the CUP in his*
THANKS, HE GAVE IT TO THEM, SAYING, DRINK YE ALL *hand.*
OF IT; THIS CUP IS THE NEW TESTAMENT IN MY BLOOD, WHICH IS SHED FOR YOU,
AND FOR MANY, FOR THE REMISSION OF SINS; THIS DO, AS OFT AS YE DRINK IT, IN
REMEMBRANCE OF ME.

Remembering, therefore, his salutary precept, his life-giving Passion and Death, his glorious Resurrection and Ascension and the promise of his coming again, we give thanks to thee, O Lord God Almighty, not as we ought, but as we are able; and we beseech thee mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving, and with thy Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, thy servants, and these thine own gifts of bread and wine, so that we and all who partake thereof may be filled with heavenly benediction and grace, and, receiving the remission of sins, be sanctified in soul and body, and have our portion with all thy saints.

And unto thee, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory in thy holy Church, world without end. Amen.

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.

¶ The Congregation shall sing or say:

Ancient Church melody
Harm. by WINFRED DOUGLAS

Unison

For thine is the king - dom, and the power, and the
glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

All who believe that Jesus is present in the bread and wine, forgiving sin and promising eternal life, are welcome to the Table of the Lord. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

LAMB OF GOD

O Christ, thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a - way the sin

of the world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, thou Lamb of God,

that tak - est a - way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.

O Christ, thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a - way the sin

of the world, grant us thy peace. A - - - men.

We sit.

MUSIC AT THE DISTRIBUTION

HYMN

Lord, thee I love with all my heart

HYMN 750

We stand.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Lord, now let - test thou thy ser - vant de - part in peace:

The first system of music features a treble and bass staff in D major (two sharps). The melody is primarily in the treble staff, with the bass staff providing harmonic support. The lyrics are written below the notes.

ac - cord - ing to thy word; For mine eyes have

The second system continues the melody and accompaniment. The lyrics "ac - cord - ing to thy word; For mine eyes have" are positioned below the notes.

seen thy sal - va - tion: which thou hast pre - pared be - fore the

The third system continues the melody and accompaniment. The lyrics "seen thy sal - va - tion: which thou hast pre - pared be - fore the" are positioned below the notes.

face of all peo - ple; A light to light - en the

The fourth system concludes the melody and accompaniment. The lyrics "face of all peo - ple; A light to light - en the" are positioned below the notes.

Gen-tiles: and the glo-ry of thy peo-ple Is - - ra-el.

Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther, and to the Son, and to the

Ho-ly Ghost: As it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and

ev - - er shall be, world with-out end. A - men.

¶ *Then shall be said The Prayer.*

THE PRAYER

¶ *The Minister shall say one of the following Prayers; or he may say the Collect for Thursday in Holy Week.*

Minister *Congregation*

O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is good. R. And his mercy endureth for ev - er.

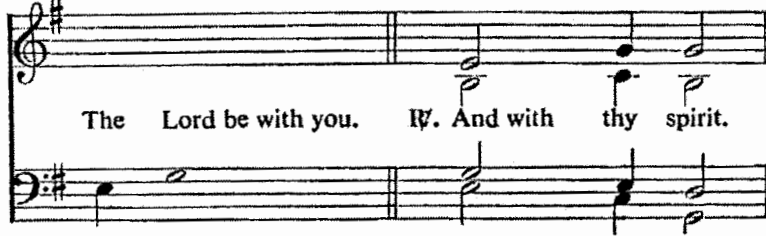
BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

POUR forth upon us, O Lord, the spirit of thy love, that by thy mercy thou mayest make of one will those whom thou hast fed with one heavenly food; through thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end.

¶ *The Congregation shall sing or say:*

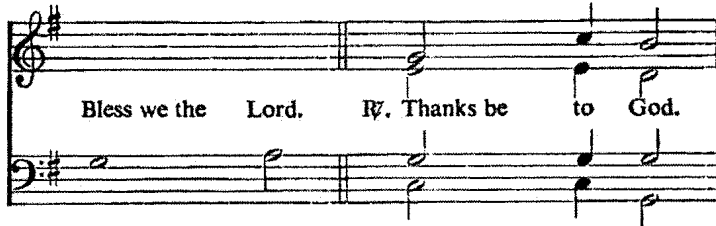
A - men.

¶ Then may be sung or said the Salutation and the Benedicamus.
Minister Congregation



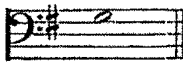
The Lord be with you. R. And with thy spirit.

Minister Congregation



Bless we the Lord. R. Thanks be to God.

¶ Then the Minister, standing at the Altar, shall sing or say the Benediction.
THE BENEDICTION



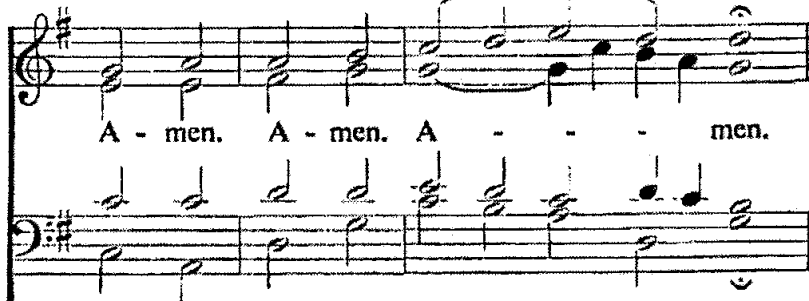
THE LORD bless thee, and keep thee.
The LORD make his face shine upon thee, and
be gracious unto thee.

The LORD lift up his countenance upon thee, and give thee peace:



In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.

¶ The Congregation shall sing or say:



A - men. A - men. A - - - men.

POSTLUDE

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Worship Leaders Today

Celebrant	The Rev. Nick Sollom
Organist	Cantor Nathan K. Lively-Greyling
Worship Assistant	Michele Effren
Reader	
Communion Assistant	
Acolytes	
Usher	
Altar Committee	Janet Segerdell
Counters	Noel Bartels, David Hendrickson
Little Free Pantry	Steve Eno & Irene Hendricks
Coffee Hour	Michele Effren, Cathy & Mike Mahler

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Wednesday, October 29

12:00 noon - Midweek Eucharist - Chapel
4:30 pm - Confirmation Class - Sweden Room
6:00 pm - Bells | 7:00 Choir

Saturday, November 1

7:00 pm Durufle' Requiem

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, November 2

8:30 am & 10:30 am Worship
All Saints Sunday & Remembrance Rite Between Services

Wednesday, November 5

12:00 noon - Midweek Eucharist - Chapel
4:30 pm - Confirmation Class - Sweden Room
6:00 pm - Bells | 7:00 pm Choir