Church of the Good Shepherd

Knowing Christ and Making Him Known

Rooted in the Word, Nourished by the Sacraments, Alive in Jesus Christ



A Service of Holy Eucharist

November 1, 2026, All Saints' Day – 10:30am

Welcome to Church of the Good Shepherd! We are delighted to worship God with you this morning. Everything you need for the service is here in these pages and in the bible found in the pews. If you are visiting and would like more information about Good Shepherd, please fill out a guest card at the ushers table or call the parish office. At Good Shepherd you will find friendly people, engaging sermons, joyful worship, practical teaching, and lots of kids.

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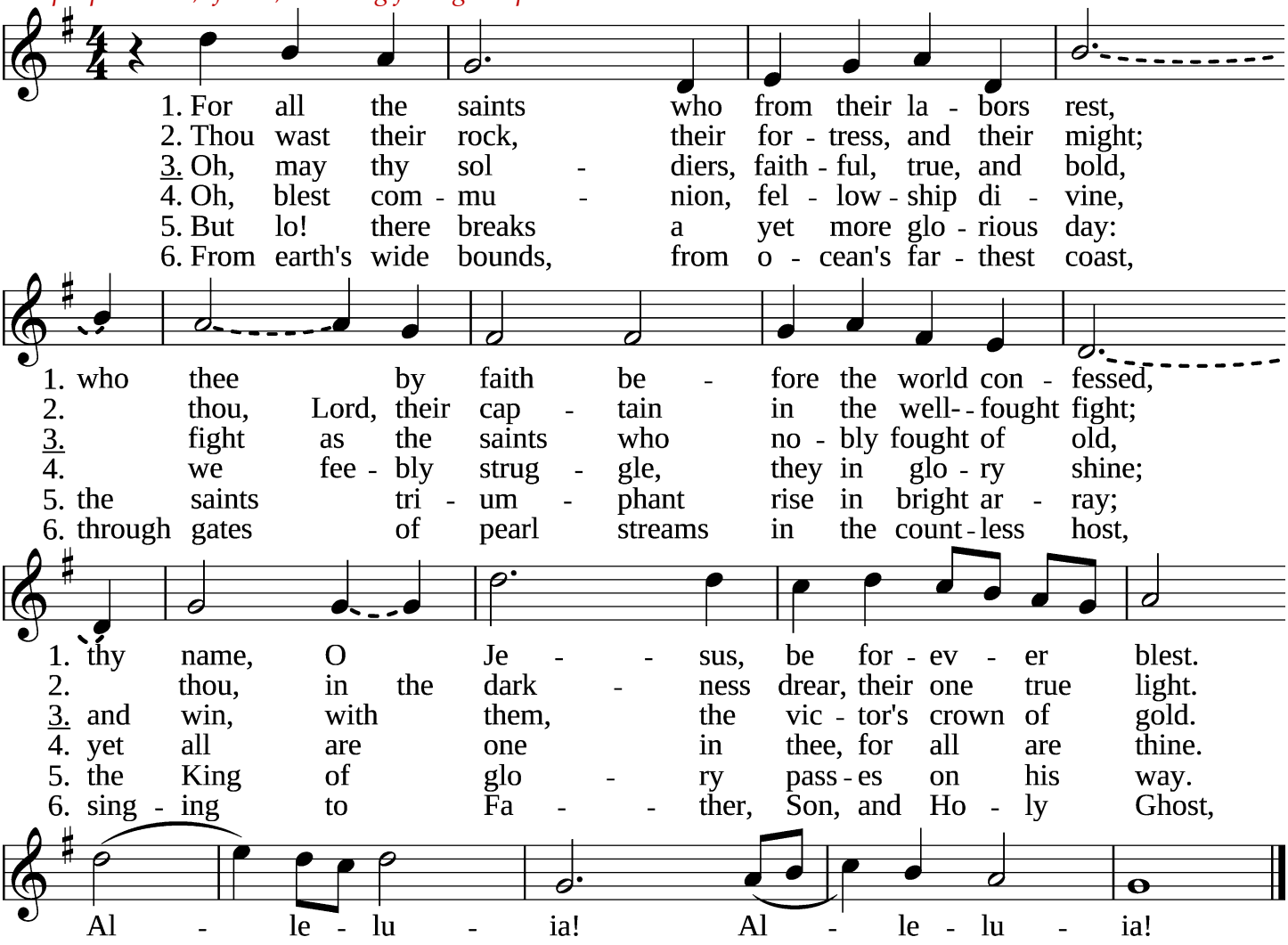
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Prelude **"Fantasia in g minor"** Johann Pachelbel

The Processional **"For All the Saints"** How | Williams

The people stand, if able, and sing facing the procession



The Acclamation and Collect for Purity

The people remain standing

Celebrant Worthy is the Lord our God

People **To receive glory and honor and power.**

Revelation 4:11

All together

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you 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 Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Exhortation

Dearly beloved in the Lord: if you intend to come to the Holy Communion of the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ, you must consider how Saint Paul, in his First Letter to the Corinthians, exhorts us all diligently to examine ourselves before we presume to eat of that Bread, and drink of that Cup. For as the benefit is great, if we receive that holy Sacrament with a truly penitent heart and lively faith, spiritually eating the Flesh of Christ and drinking his Blood, so that we might be made one with Christ and he with us; so also is the danger great, if we receive these gifts unworthily. For then we become guilty of profaning the Body and Blood of Christ our Savior, and we eat and drink to our own condemnation.

Therefore, judge yourselves lest you be judged by the Lord. First, examine your life by the rule of God's commandments. Wherever you have offended, either by thought, word, or deed, confess your sins to Almighty God, with the full intention to amend your life. Be ready to make restitution for all injuries and wrongs you have done to others; and also be ready to forgive others who have offended you: for otherwise, if you unworthily receive Holy Communion, you will increase your own condemnation. Therefore, repent of your sins, or else do not come to God's Holy Table.

If you have come here today with a troubled conscience, and you need help and counsel, come to me, or to some other Priest, and confess your sins, that you may receive godly counsel, direction, and absolution. To do so will both satisfy your conscience and remove any scruples or doubt.

Above all, each of us should give humble and hearty thanks to God for the redemption of the world by the death and passion of our Savior Jesus Christ. He humbled himself, even to death on a Cross, for us sinners who lay in darkness and in the shadow of death, that he might make us children of God, and exalt us to everlasting life.

Because of his exceedingly great love for us, our Savior Jesus Christ has instituted and ordained these holy mysteries as pledges of his love, and for a continual remembrance of his death and passion, to our great and endless comfort.

To him, therefore, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, let us give continual thanks, as is our duty and our joy, submitting ourselves entirely to his holy will and striving to serve him in holiness and righteousness all the days of our life. **Amen**.

The Confession of Sin

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbors.

The people kneel if able and pray together

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all people: We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against your divine Majesty, provoking most justly your wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us, the burden of them is intolerable.
Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Celebrant stands and says

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

The Comfortable Words

The Celebrant says

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

~Matthew 11:28

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

~John 3:16

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

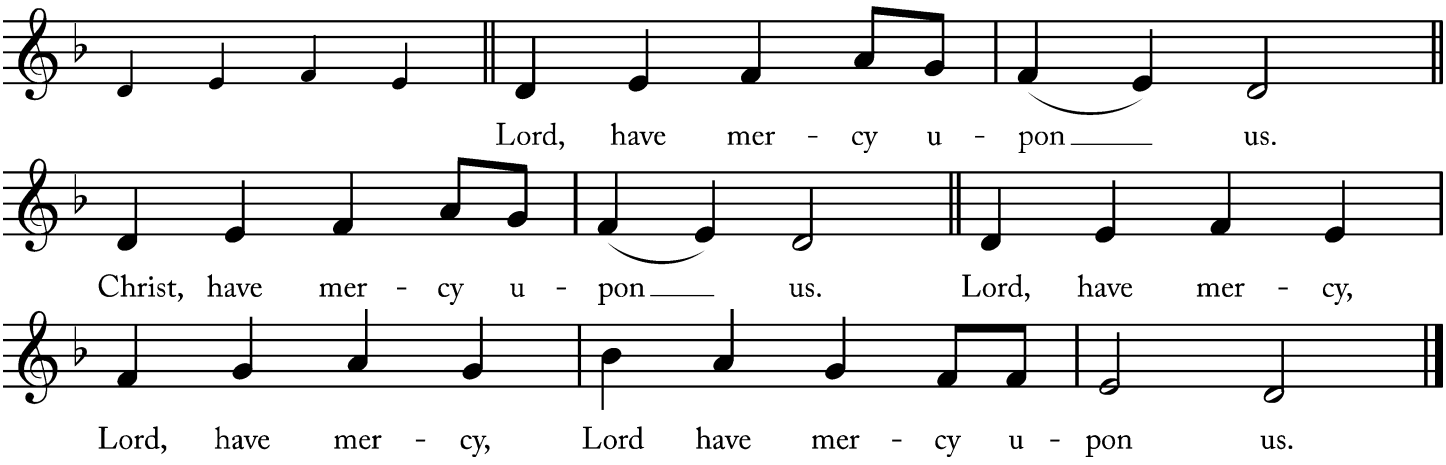
~1 Timothy 1:15

If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

~1 John 2:1-2

The Kyrie
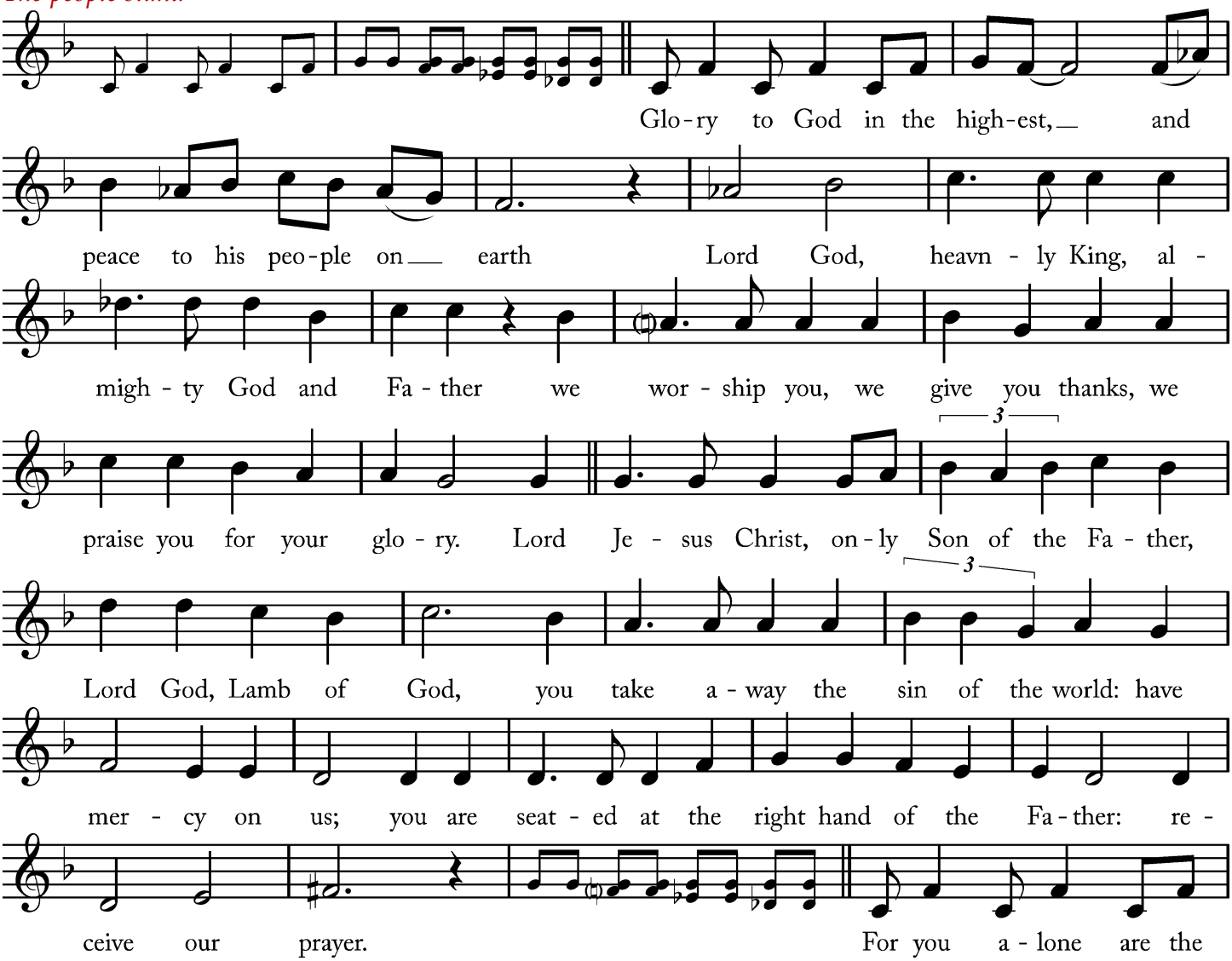
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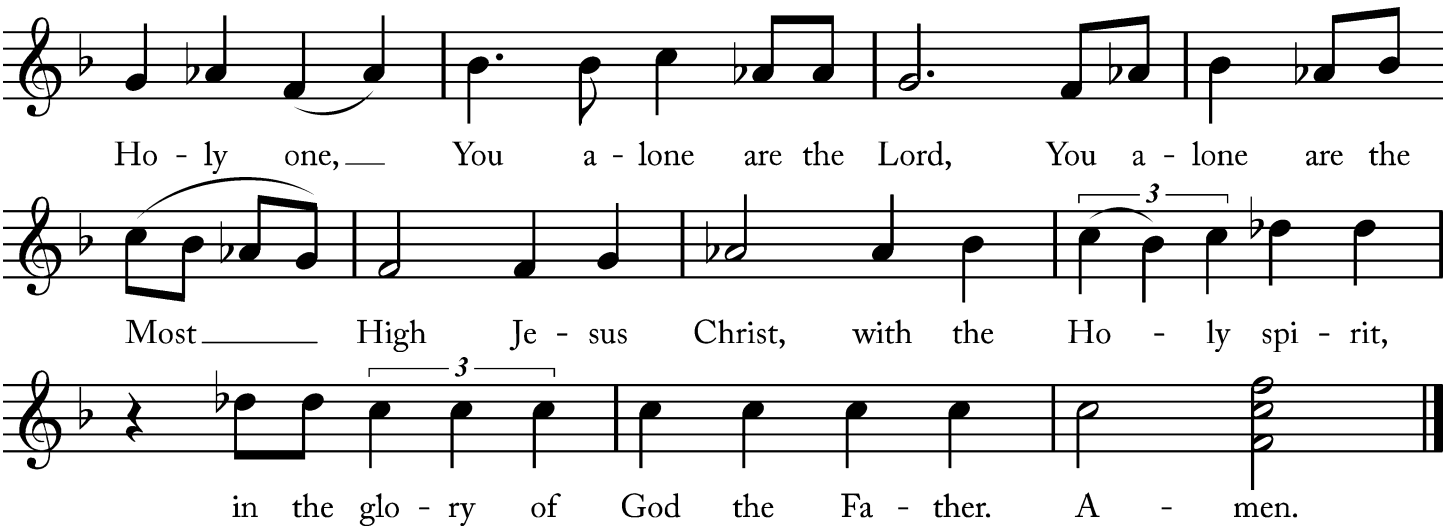


The Gloria

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The people stand





The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And with your spirit.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O Almighty God, who hast knit together thine elect in one communion and fellowship, in the mystical body of thy Son Christ our Lord: Grant us grace so to follow thy blessed Saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those unspeakable joys, which thou hast prepared for them that unfeignedly love thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Lessons

The people sit for the reading of the lessons.

The First Lesson

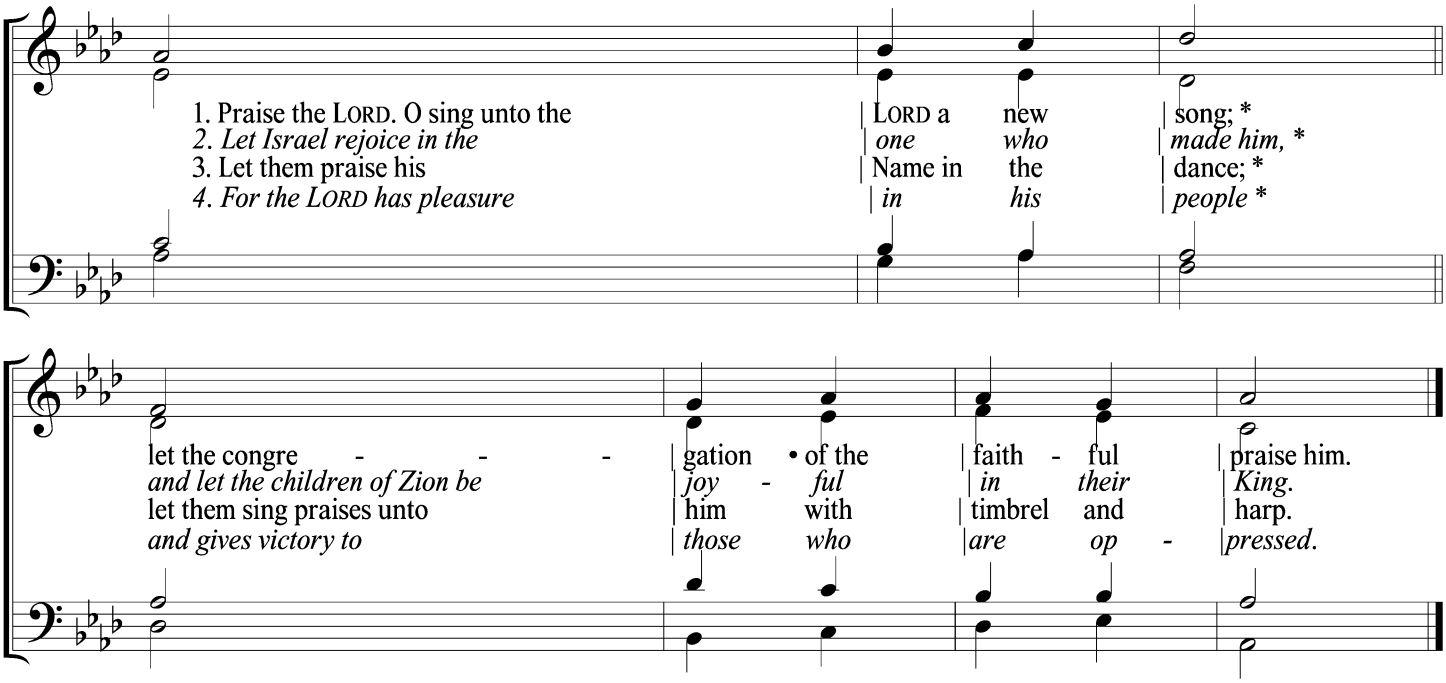
Revelation 7:9-17 Pew Bible pg. 1033, LP pg. 1224

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 149 MacFarren

The people remain sitting



5. Let the faithful be | joyful with | glory; *
   let them re-|joice u-|pon their | beds.
6. Let the praises of God be | in their | mouth *
   and a | two-edged | sword in their | hands,
7. To inflict | vengeance • on the | nations *
   and | to re-|buke the | peoples,
8. To | bind their • kings in | chains *
   and their | nobles with | links of | iron,
9. That they may execute judgment upon them, | as it is | written; *
   such honor have all his | serv-ants. | Praise the | Lord.

The Second Lesson

Ephesians 1:11-23 Pew Bible pg. 976, LP pg.1159

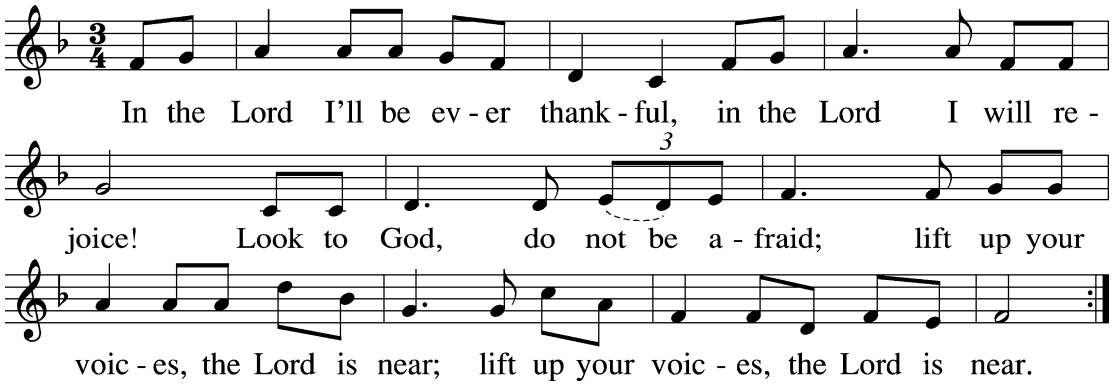
Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

All children between the ages of three and six are invited to Children's Chapel with their parents' permission.

The Gradual **In the Lord, I'll Be Ever Thankful** Taize

The people stand and sing, facing the procession



The Gospel

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People **Glory to You, Lord Christ.**

Matthew 5:1-12

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon The Rt. Reverend Julian Dobbs

Confirmation

The Presentation, Exhortation and Examination

Presenters **Reverend Father in God, we present these persons to receive the laying on of hands.**

Bishop Have they been adequately prepared?

Presenters **They have.**

The Bishop then says

Dearly beloved, it is essential that those who wish to be Confirmed or Received in this Church publicly confess Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior; become his disciples; know and affirm the Nicene Creed, the Lord's Prayer, and the Ten Commandments; and have received instruction in the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments and the Catechism of the Church. God's grace is imparted in Baptism, through which we are made God's children by adoption and given the Holy Spirit. By the power of the Spirit, manifested in gifts and fruit, we are enabled to be God's people for the sake of the world.

Now, these Candidates desire publicly to confess their faith in Jesus Christ as Savior and their commitment to follow him as Lord. They also desire the strengthening of grace through the laying on of hands, that the Holy Spirit may fill them more and more for their ministry in the Church and in the world.

The Bishop then addresses the Candidates

Do you, here in the presence of God and the Church, renew the solemn promises and vows made at your Baptism and commit to keep them?

Candidates **I do.**

Bishop Do you renounce the devil and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Candidates **I renounce them.**

Bishop Do you renounce the empty promises and deadly deceits of this world that corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Candidates **I renounce them.**

Bishop Do you renounce the sinful desires of the flesh that draw you from the love of God?

Candidates **I renounce them.**

Bishop Do you turn to Jesus Christ and confess him as your Lord and Savior?

Candidates **I do.**

Bishop Do you joyfully receive the Christian Faith, as revealed in the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments?

Candidates **I do.**

Bishop Will you obediently keep God's holy will and commandments, and walk in them all the days of your life?

Candidates **I will, the Lord being my helper.**

The Bishop addresses the Congregation, saying

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life in Christ?

The Congregation responds

We will.

Prayer and the Laying on of Hands

The Bishop stands and says

Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we beseech you to strengthen these your servants for witness and ministry through the power of your Holy Spirit. Daily increase in them your manifold virtues of grace: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and true godliness, and the spirit of holy fear, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Confirmation

Each Confirmand kneels in front of the Bishop. The Bishop, then laying his hands upon the person's head, prays

Defend, O Lord, this your servant *N.* with your heavenly grace, that *he/she* may continue yours for ever, and daily increase in your Holy Spirit more and more until *he/she* comes into the fullness of your everlasting kingdom.

People **Amen.**

Or this

Strengthen, O Lord, with your Holy Spirit, your servant *N.*; empower *him/her* for your service; and sustain *him/her* all the days of *his/her* life.

People **Amen.**

Concluding Prayer After the Laying on of Hands

The Bishop then says

Almighty and everliving God, let your fatherly hand ever be upon these your servants; let your Holy Spirit ever be with them; and so lead them in the knowledge and obedience of your Holy Word, that they may faithfully serve you in this life, and joyfully dwell with you in the life to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Peace is now exchanged.

Bishop The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And with your spirit.**

Then the Celebrants and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

The Announcements

The Offertory

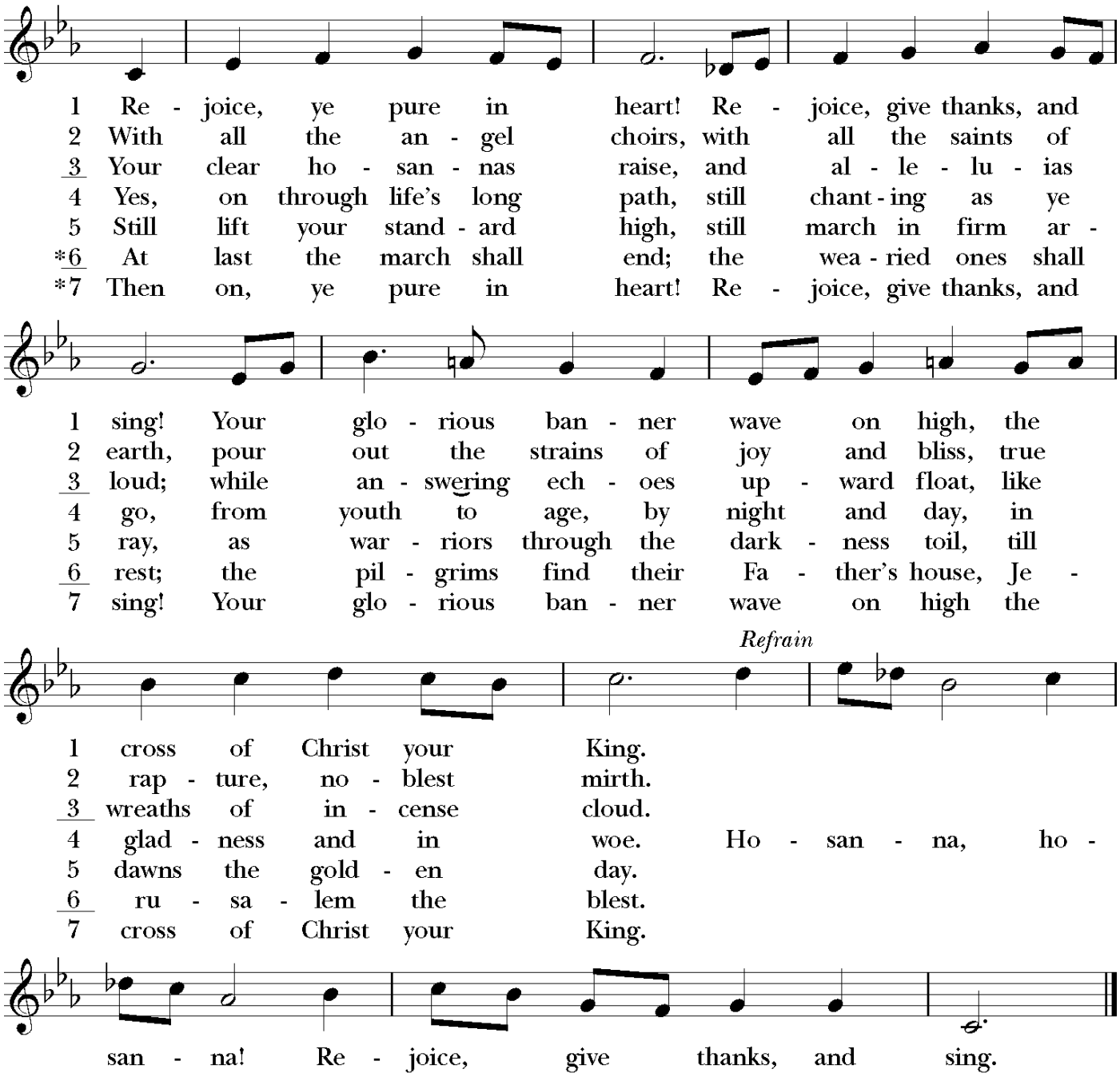
Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

~Hebrews 13:16

If you are a guest with us today, please do not feel obligated to give an offering. If you are a regular attender at Good Shepherd, you may give your tithe in several ways. An offering plate will be passed and you are welcome to give your offering there. There is also an offering box at the rear of the sanctuary where you may drop your tithe, or you can mail checks to 360 Conklin Avenue, Binghamton, NY, 13903. You can also give online through Breeze or you can text a donation through Breeze at 607-882-6551. Good Shepherd also has a PayPal account. As always, thank you for your great generosity and kind support.

The Offertory Music "Rejoice Ye Pure in Heart" Plumptre | Dirksen
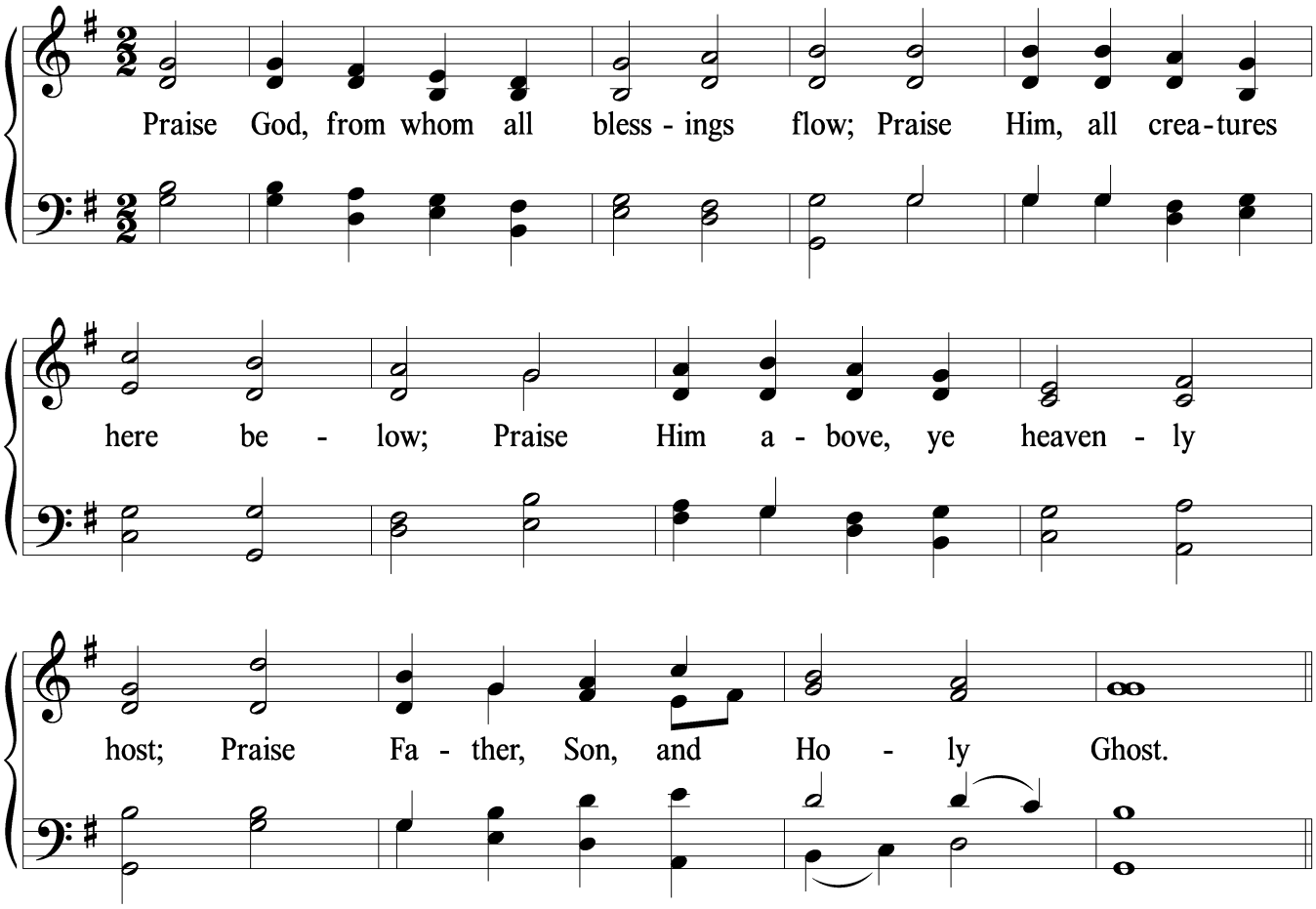
The people remain sitting



The Presentation of the Gifts

Ken | Bourgeois

The people stand, if able, and sing



The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And with your spirit.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is just and right so to do.**

Facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

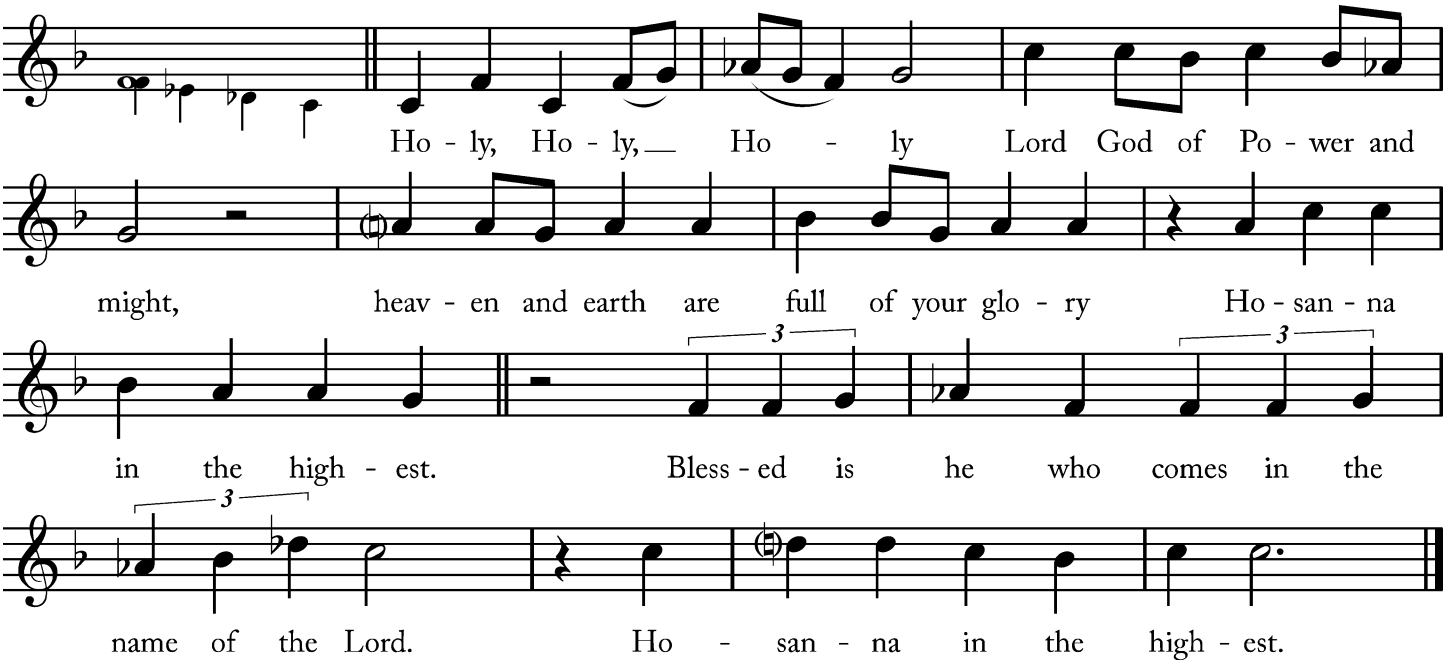
For in the multitude of your Saints, you have surrounded us with so great a cloud of witnesses that we, rejoicing in their fellowship, may run with patience the race that is set before us, and, together with them, may receive the crown of glory that does not fade away.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

The Sanctus

Flagler

The people remain standing and sing



The Prayer of Consecration

The people kneel. The Celebrant continues

All praise and glory is yours, O God our heavenly Father, for in your tender mercy, you gave your only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption. He made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and he instituted, and in his Holy Gospel commanded us to continue, a perpetual memory of his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

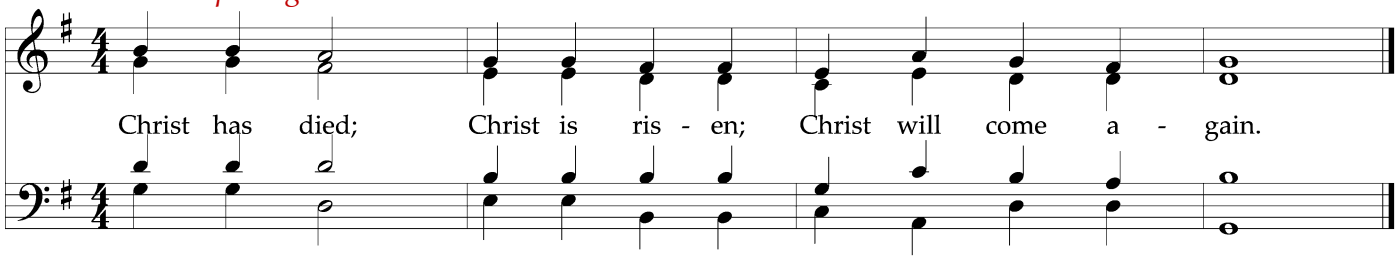
So now, O merciful Father, in your great goodness, we ask you to bless and sanctify, with your Word and Holy Spirit, these gifts of bread and wine, that we, receiving them according to your Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

For on the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body, which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the forgiveness of sins: Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me."

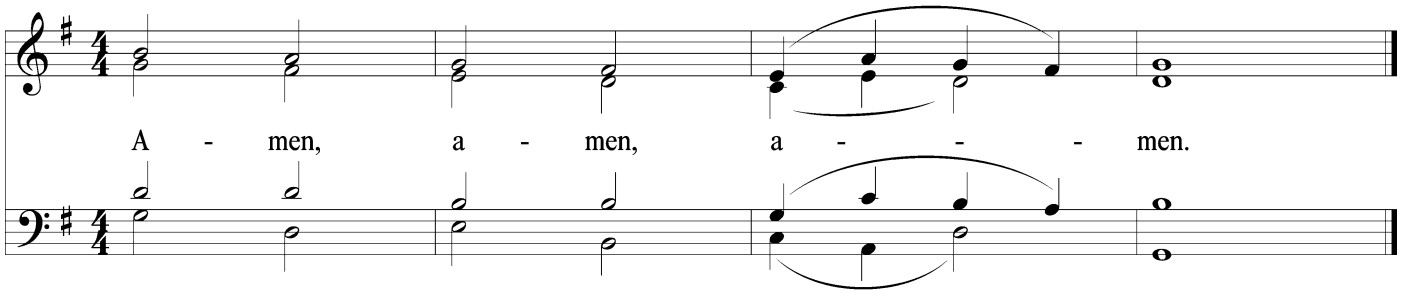
Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith

Celebrant and People together



And here we offer and present to you, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice. We humbly pray that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ, be filled with your grace and heavenly benediction, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.
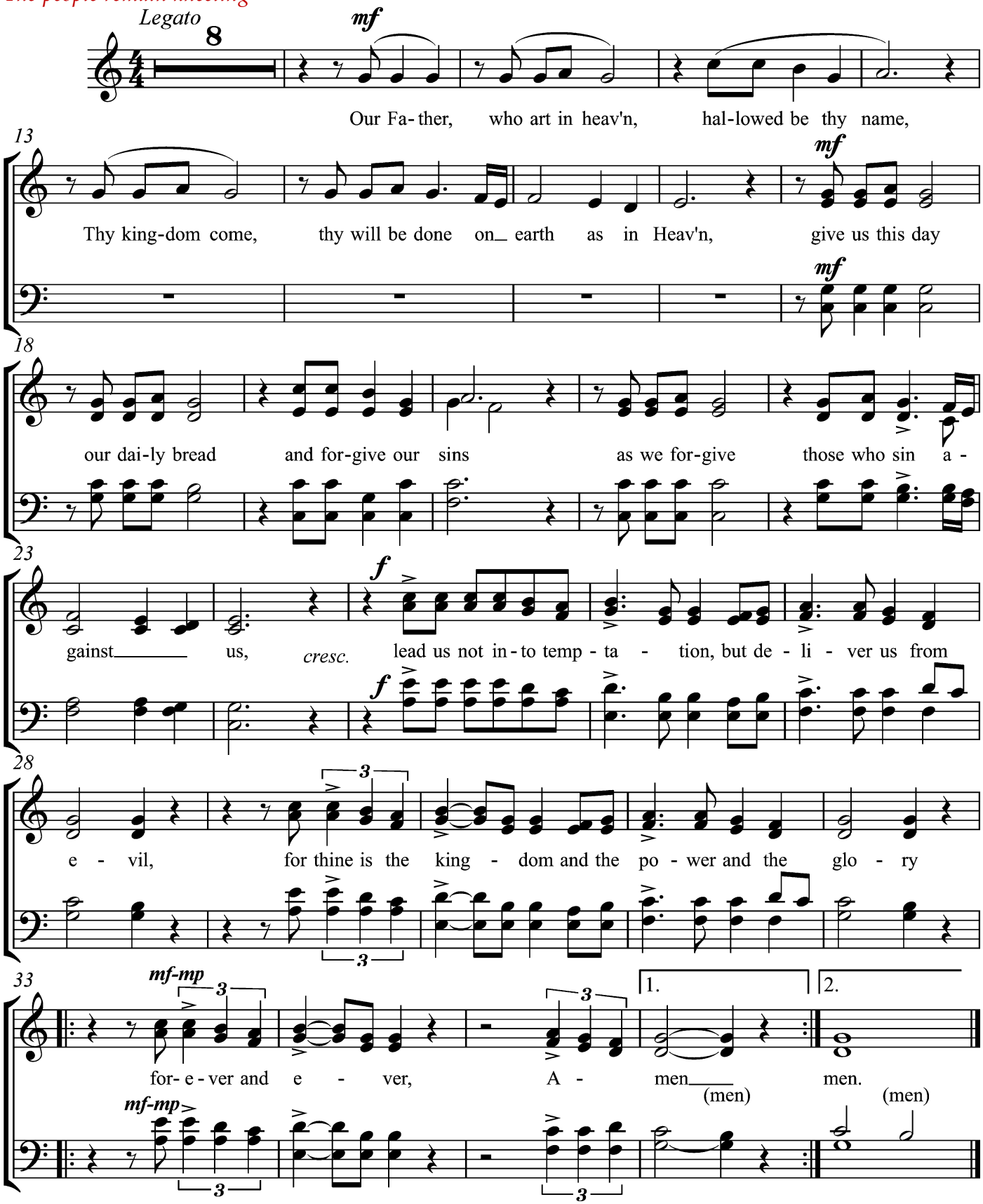


And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

The Lord's Prayer

Dixon

The people remain kneeling



Fraction

The people remain kneeling and say

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover Lamb has been sacrificed, once for all upon the Cross.

People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

The Prayer of Humble Access

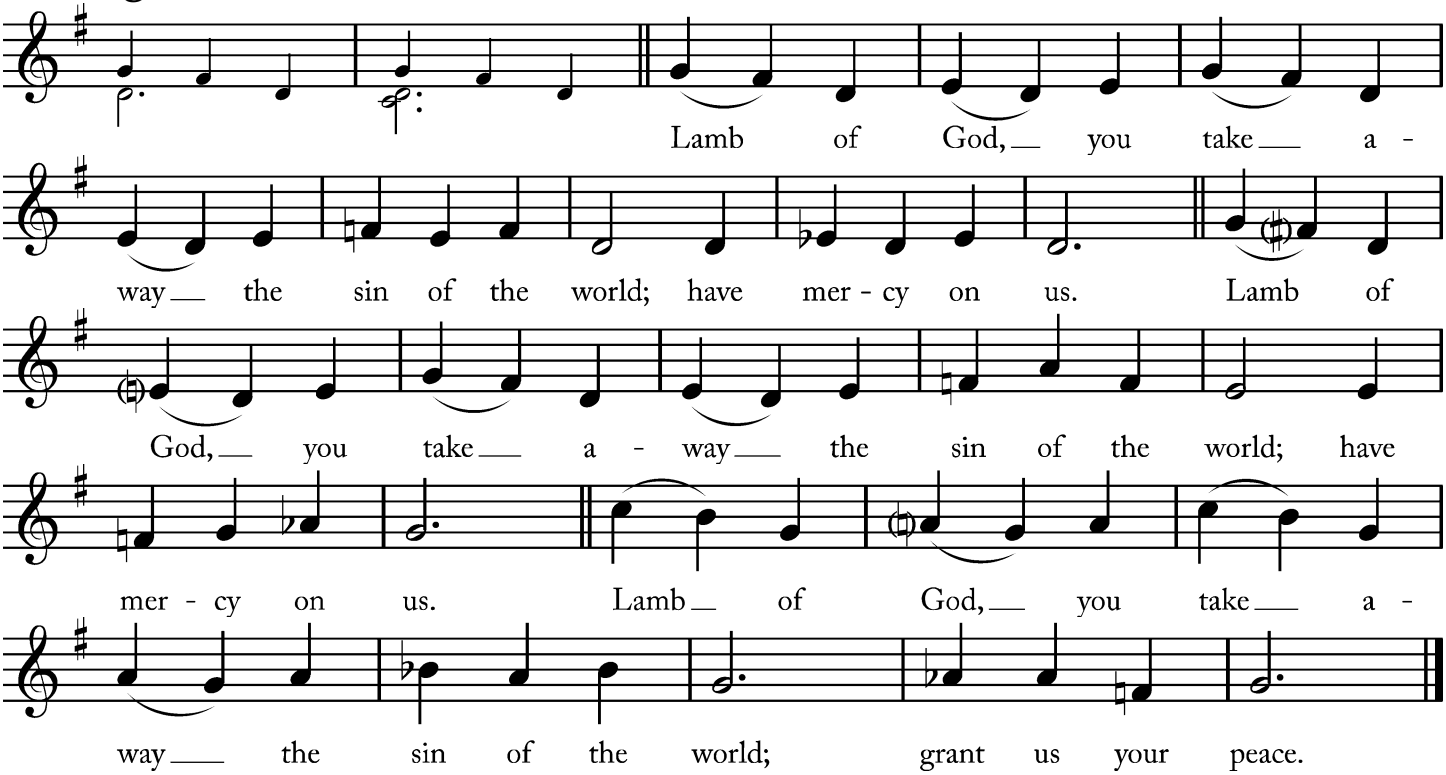
Celebrant and people say together

We do not presume to come to this your Table,

O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness,
but in your manifold and great mercies.
We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your Table.
But you are the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy.
Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord,
so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood,
that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body,
and our souls washed through his most precious blood,
and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

The Agnus Dei

Flagler



The Communion of the People

All Christians baptized in any denomination and in good standing with their home church are welcome to take Communion. If you are unable to take communion for any reason, you are warmly invited to the rail for a prayer and blessing: just place your hands across your chest and one of the pastors will bless and pray for you. If you are in a wheelchair or are unable to come forward for any reason, please let an usher know and we will bring the Sacrament to you in your pew. Gluten free wafers are available upon request when you come forward.

The Invitation
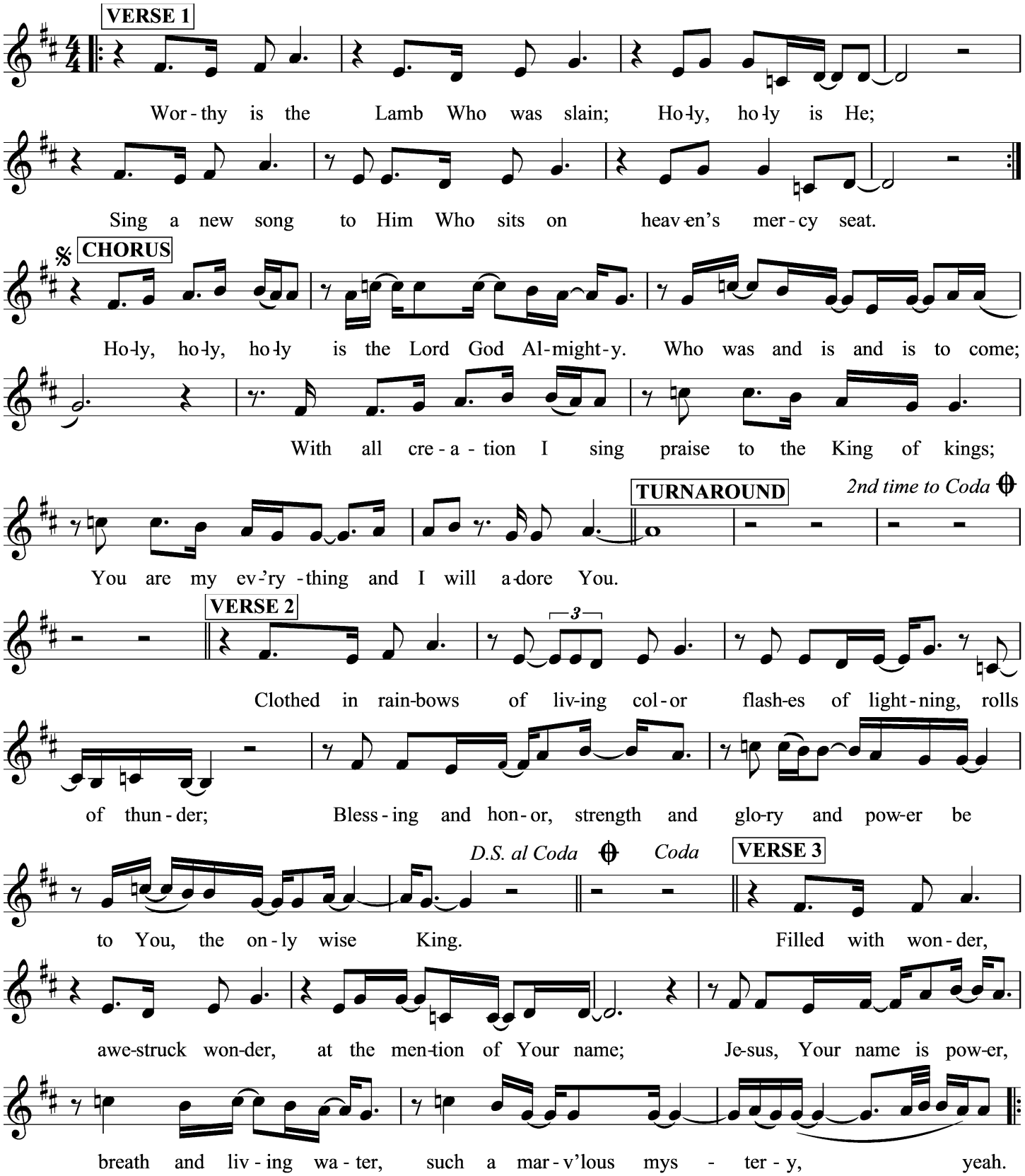
Celebrant

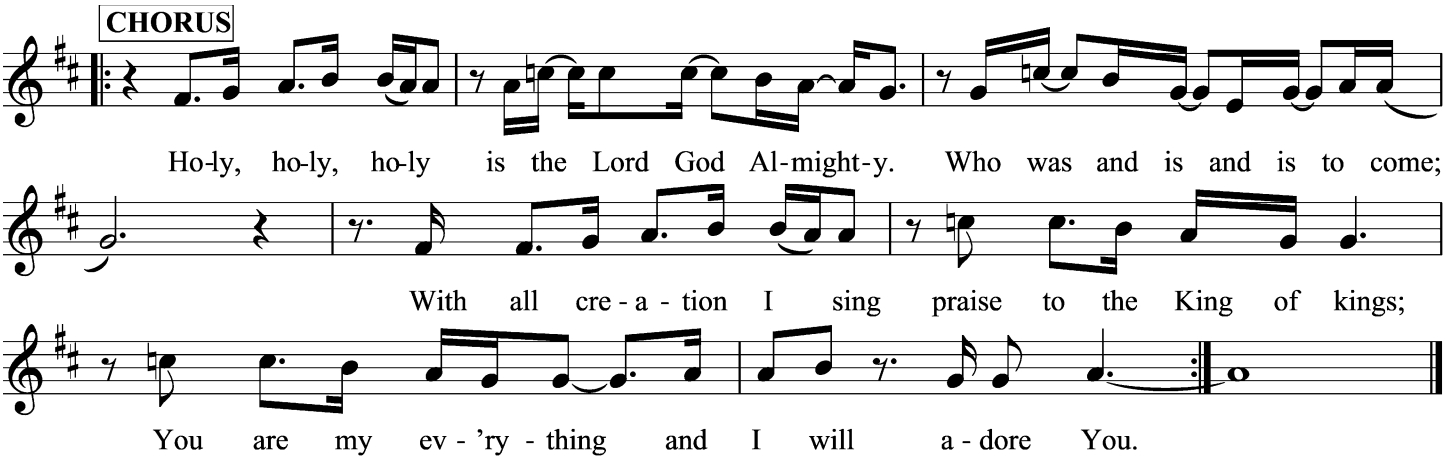
The Gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts, by faith, with thanksgiving.

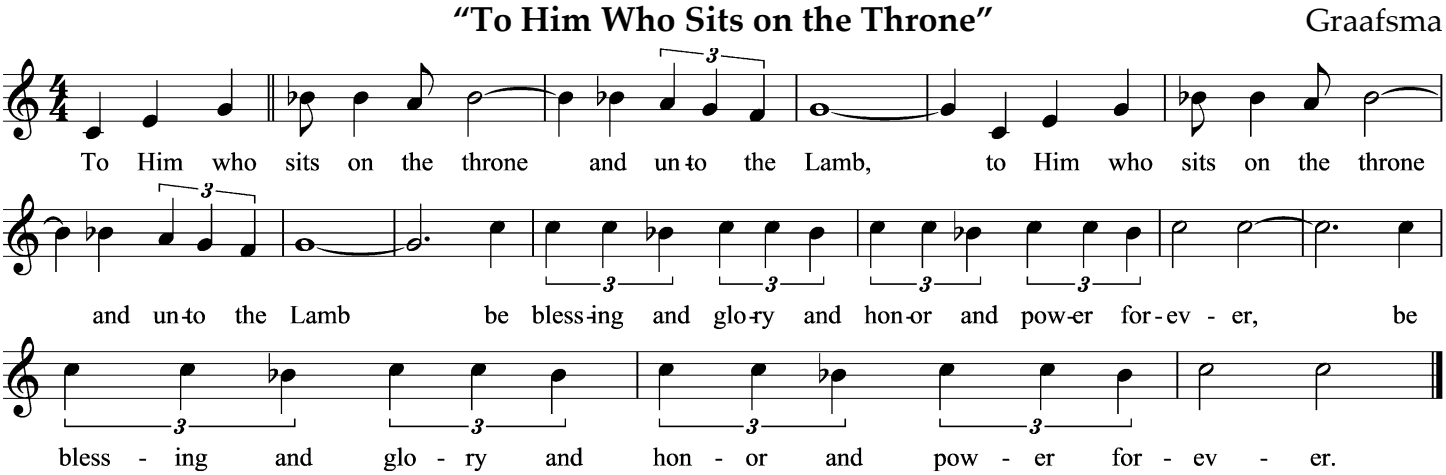
Communion Music

"Revelation Song" Riddle

The people remain sitting or kneeling







The Post-Communion Prayer

The people kneel

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and ever-living God,
we thank you for feeding us, in these holy mysteries,
with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us, through this Sacrament,
of your favor and goodness towards us;
and that we are true members of the mystical body of your Son,
the blessed company of all faithful people;
and are also heirs, through hope, of your everlasting kingdom.
And we humbly ask you, heavenly Father,
to assist us with your grace,
that we may continue in that holy fellowship,
and do all such good works as you have prepared for us to walk in;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit,

be all honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.
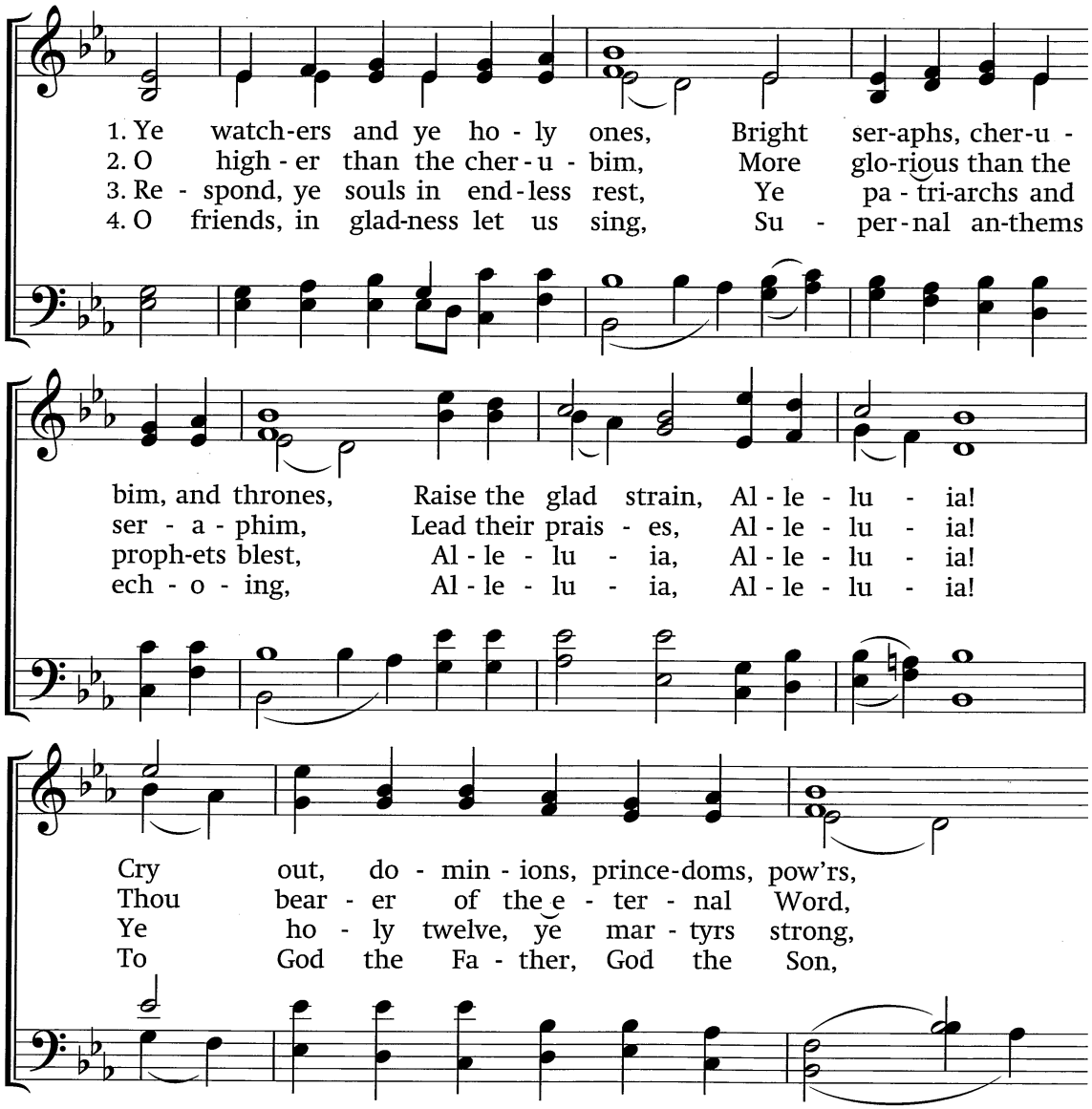
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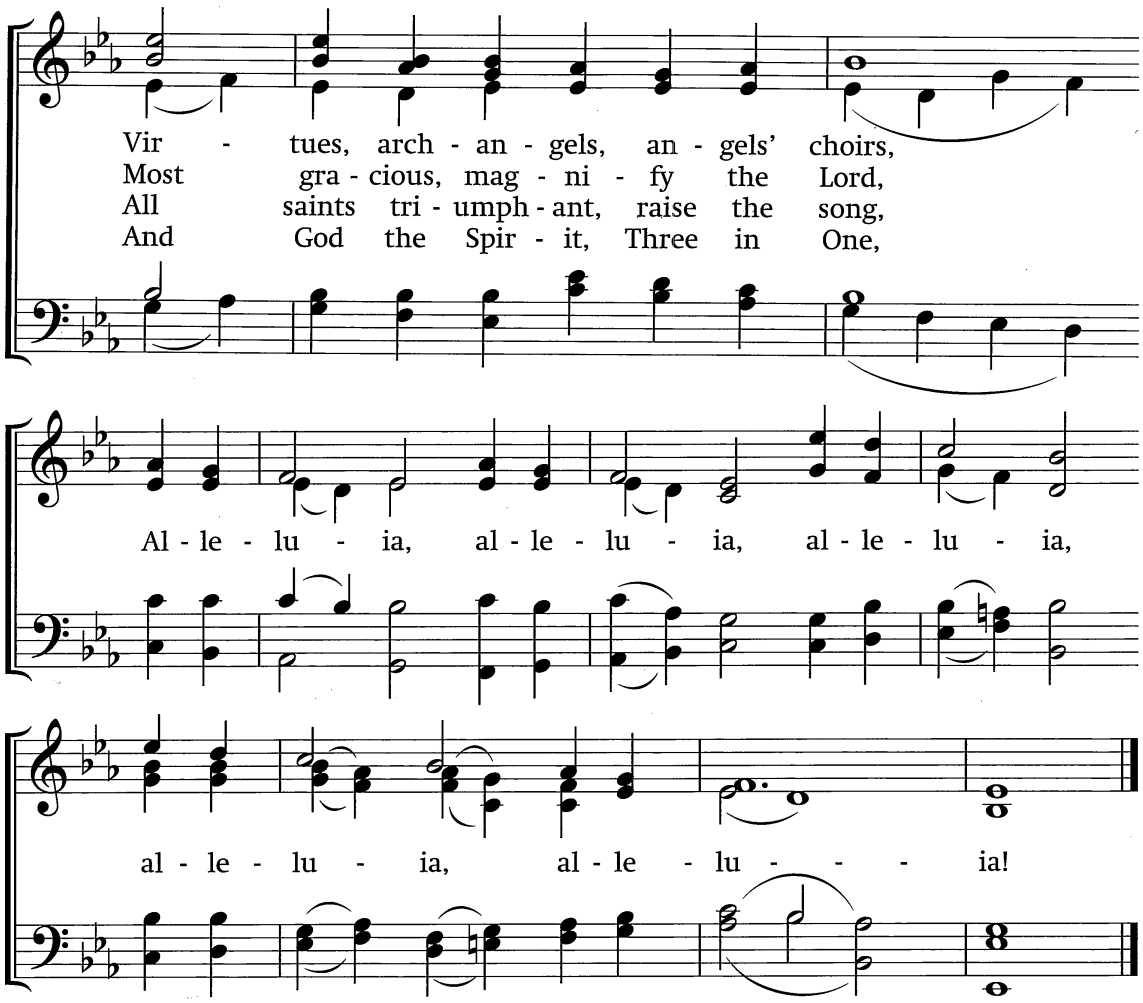
Celebrant

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

The Recession **"Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones"** Riley | Ralph Vaughan Williams

The people stand if able and face the recession





The Dismissal

The people stand if able

Celebrant Let us go forth, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit. Alleluia, alleluia.

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

The Postlude

"Toccata in C" J. S. Bach

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Daily Lectionary, Year II 60 Day Psalter Cycle	
Monday **November 2**	Psalm 7 Isaiah 15 Mark 11:1-26
Tuesday **November 3**	Psalm 10 Isaiah 16 Mark 11:27—12:12
Wednesday **November 4**	Psalm 15, 16 Isaiah 17 Mark 12:13-34
Thursday **November 5**	Psalm 17 Isaiah 18 Mark 12:35—13:13
Friday **November 6**	Psalm 18:21-52 Isaiah 19 Mark 13:14-end
Saturday **November 7**	Psalm 20, 21 Isaiah 20 Mark 14:1-25
Sunday **November 8**	Psalm 23, 24 Isaiah 21 Mark 14:26-52

Next Sunday's Lectionary Readings:
Proper 27 [November 8]
Amos 5:18-24
Psalm 70
1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
Matthew 25:1-13