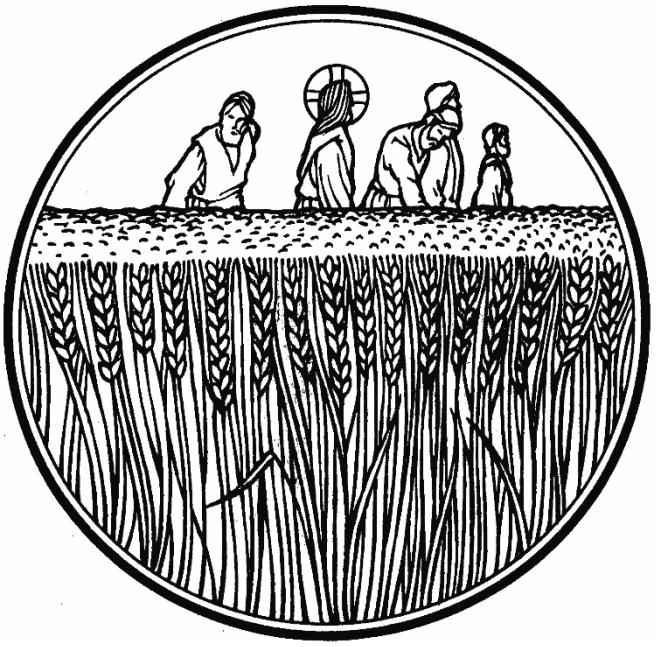
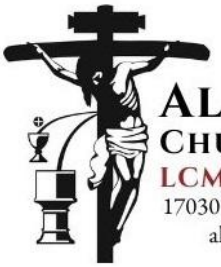


All Saints Lutheran Church

St. Luke, Evangelist
October 18, 2026

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The Lord bids us to pray to the Lord of the harvest to send forth laborers into His harvest (Luke 10:2). The fields look more like deserts, filled with jackals (Isa. 35:6–7), and the Lord sends His laborers out as lambs in the midst of wolves. But Christ's Word of "Peace" heals the sick and brings the very kingdom of God near to those who hear it (Is 35:5; Luke 10:3–9). St. Luke, the beloved physician (Col. 4:14), did the work of an evangelist. He diligently prepared both a Gospel, the history of Christ's work in the flesh before His ascension, and the Acts of the Apostles, the history of His continued work among His Church. Luke and his Scriptures are a gift from this ascended Lord (Eph. 4:8–12), written for Theophilus and for all who love His appearing (2 Tim. 4:5–8). Tradition suggests that Luke was one of the seventy-two sent out ahead of Jesus, two by two. Luke proved himself to be a faithful companion throughout St. Paul's missionary journeys, through many trials and crosses, and even to Rome, where he alone was with Paul.



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Communion at All Saints

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. It is important, therefore, that those who come to the Lord's Table trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes. Scripture also teaches that Holy Communion is a confession of faith. Those who receive the sacrament together show forth their unity in Christ, that is, a unity of heart and mind accomplished when all who commune together believe the same doctrine and are at peace with one another.

Scripture teaches that those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and that Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar. Therefore, we, along with the historic Christian church, practice *Closed Communion.* Any who are not communicant members of All Saints, or another congregation of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, are asked to speak with the pastor before receiving the Lord's Supper. Those not receiving communion are invited to come forward during communion to receive a blessing. Simply cross your arms over your chest and bow your head, and the pastor will give you a blessing; and know that we would love to share more with you about our teaching and practice.

Prayers of preparation and thanksgiving for receiving the Lord's Supper are found in the LSB hymnal on p. 308.

For further study, see Matthew 5:23ff; 10:32ff; 18:15–35; 26:26–29; John 17:20–23; 1 Corinthians 11:17–34.

Divine Service 3

St. Luke, Evangelist

Confession and Absolution

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen.**

P 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.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C **who made heaven and earth.**
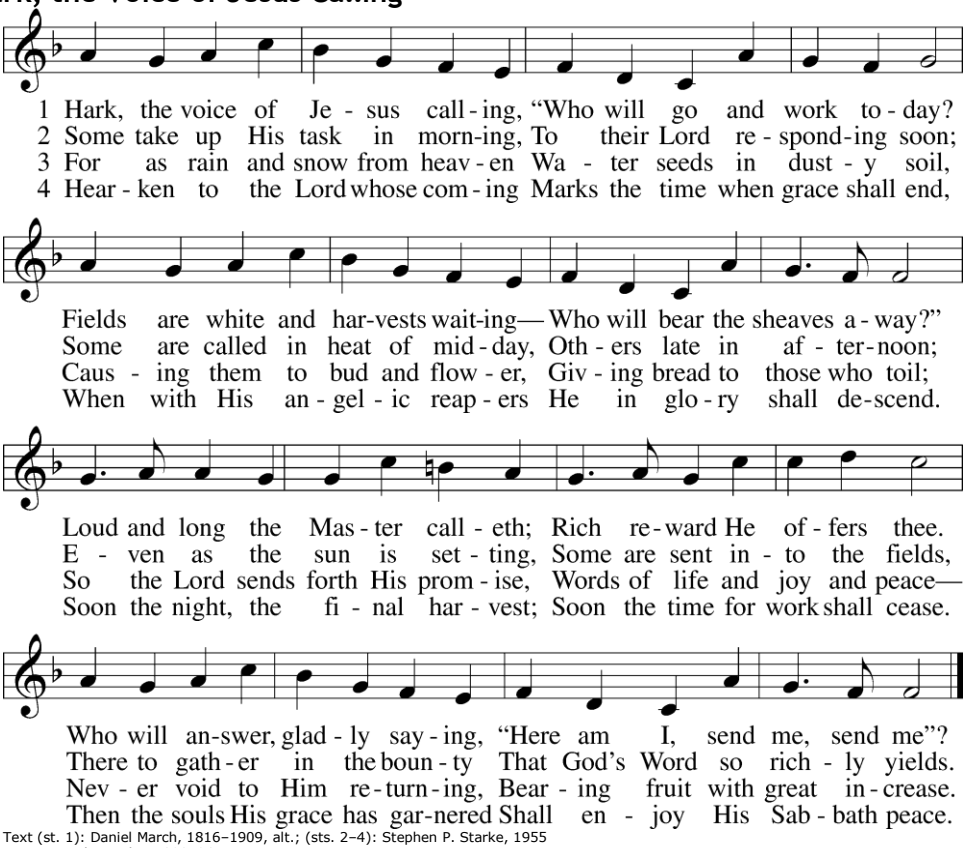
P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P O almighty God, merciful Father,
C **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen.**
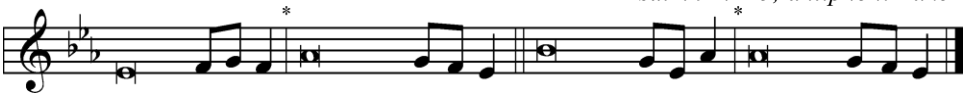
827 Hark, the Voice of Jesus Calling



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Service of the Word

Introit *Psalm 92:1–5; antiphon: Luke 24:46–47*

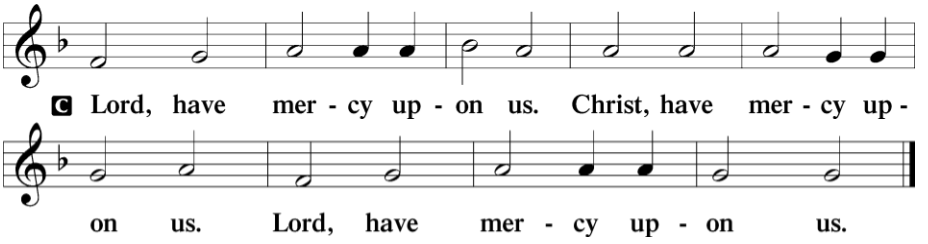


Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise | from the dead,*
and that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations,
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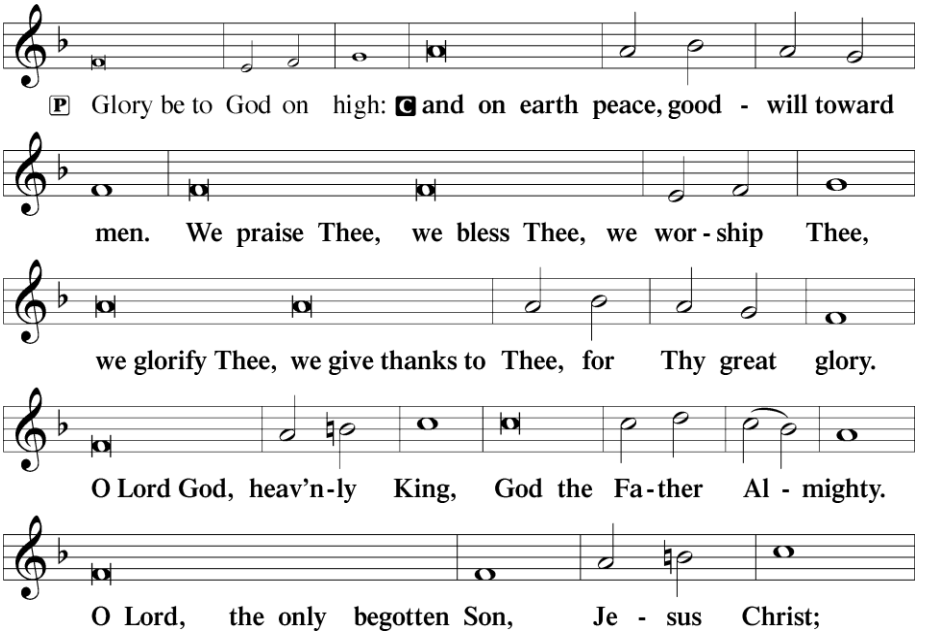
It is good to give thanks | to the LORD,*
to sing praises to your name, | O Most High;
to declare your steadfast love in the | morning,*
and your faithful- | ness by night,
to the music of the lute | and the harp,*
to the melody | of the lyre.
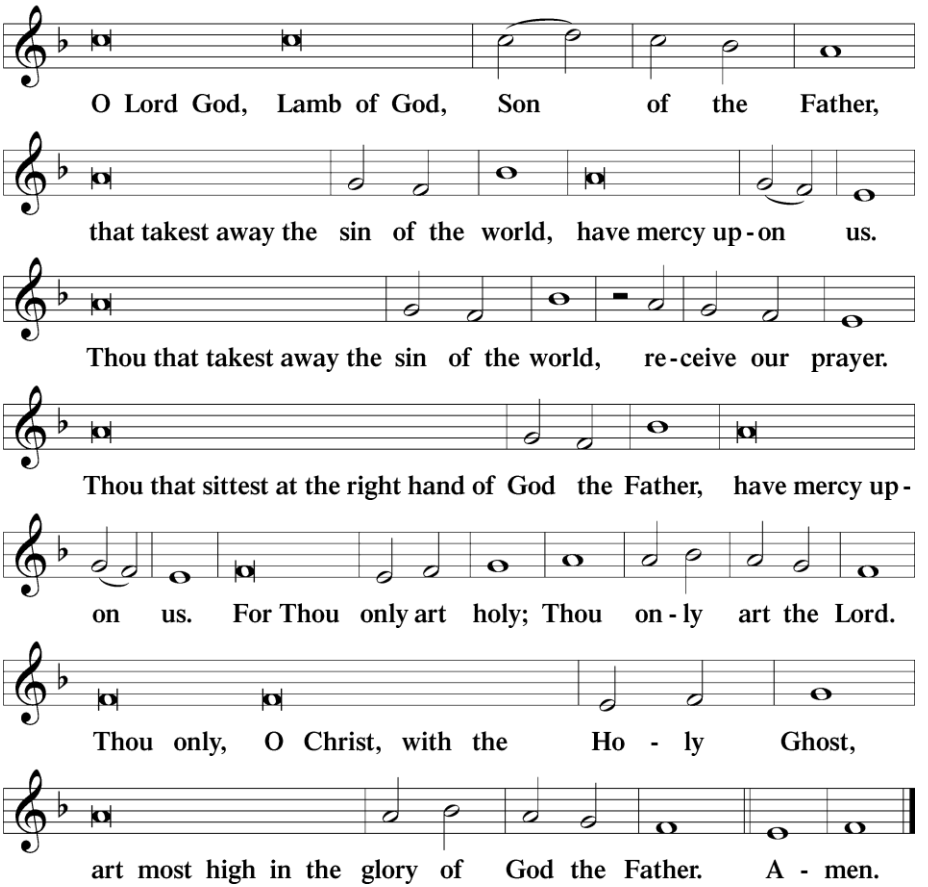
For you, O LORD, have made me glad | by your work;*
at the works of your hands I | sing for joy.
How great are your works, | O LORD!*
Your thoughts are | very deep!
Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.
Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise | from the dead,*
and that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Je- | rusalem.

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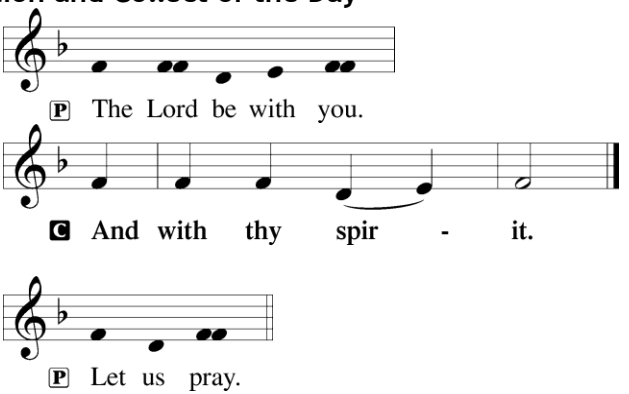


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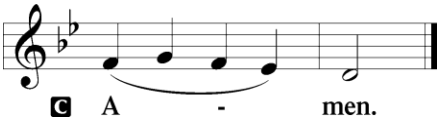




Salutation and Collect of the Day



P Almighty God, our Father, Your blessed Son called Luke the physician to be an evangelist and physician of the soul. Grant that the healing medicine of the Gospel and the Sacraments may put to flight the diseases of our souls that with willing hearts we may ever love and serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Old Testament Reading
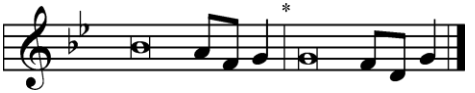
Isaiah 35:5–8

5 Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened,
and the ears of the deaf unstopped;
6 then shall the lame man leap like a deer,
and the tongue of the mute sing for joy.
For waters break forth in the wilderness,
and streams in the desert;
7 the burning sand shall become a pool,
and the thirsty ground springs of water;
in the haunt of jackals, where they lie down,
the grass shall become reeds and rushes.
8 And a highway shall be there,
and it shall be called the Way of Holiness;
the unclean shall not pass over it.
It shall belong to those who walk on the way;
even if they are fools, they shall not go astray.

A This is the Word of the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual

Psalm 119:105, 103; 45:1a, c



Your word is a lamp | to my feet*
and a light | to my path.
How sweet are your words | to my taste,*
sweeter than honey | to my mouth!
My heart overflows with a | pleasing theme;*
my tongue is like the pen of a | ready scribe.

Epistle

2 Timothy 4:5–18
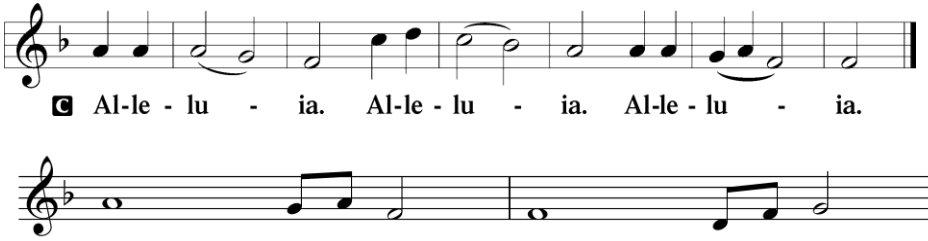
5As for you, always be sober-minded, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill
your ministry.
6For I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure has
come. 7I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.
8Henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous
judge, will award to me on that Day, and not only to me but also to all who have loved his
appearing.
9Do your best to come to me soon. 10For Demas, in love with this present world, has
deserted me and gone to Thessalonica. Crescens has gone to Galatia, Titus to Dalmatia.
11Luke alone is with me. Get Mark and bring him with you, for he is very useful to me for
ministry. 12Tychicus I have sent to Ephesus. 13When you come, bring the cloak that I left with
Carpus at Troas, also the books, and above all the parchments. 14Alexander the coppersmith
did me great harm; the Lord will repay him according to his deeds. 15Beware of him yourself,
for he strongly opposed our message. 16At my first defense no one came to stand by me, but
all deserted me. May it not be charged against them! 17But the Lord stood by me and
strengthened me, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the
Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. 18The Lord will rescue me
from every evil deed and bring me safely into his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory
forever and ever. Amen.

A This is the Word of the Lord.
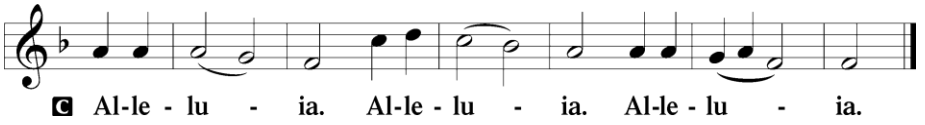
C **Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia and Verse

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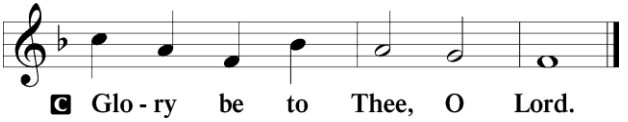


Today salvation has come | to this house,*
since he also is a son of | Abraham.
For the | Son of Man*
came to seek and to | save the lost.



Holy Gospel

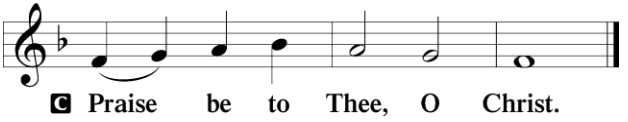
Luke 10:1–9

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the tenth chapter.



[1]After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them on ahead of him, two by
two, into every town and place where he himself was about to go. [2]And he said to them, “The
harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the
harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. [3]Go your way; behold, I am sending you out as
lambs in the midst of wolves. [4]Carry no moneybag, no knapsack, no sandals, and greet no one
on the road. [5]Whatever house you enter, first say, ‘Peace be to this house!’ [6]And if a son of
peace is there, your peace will rest upon him. But if not, it will return to you. [7]And remain in
the same house, eating and drinking what they provide, for the laborer deserves his wages. Do
not go from house to house. [8]Whenever you enter a town and they receive you, eat what is set
before you. [9]Heal the sick in it and say to them, ‘The kingdom of God has come near to
you.’”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
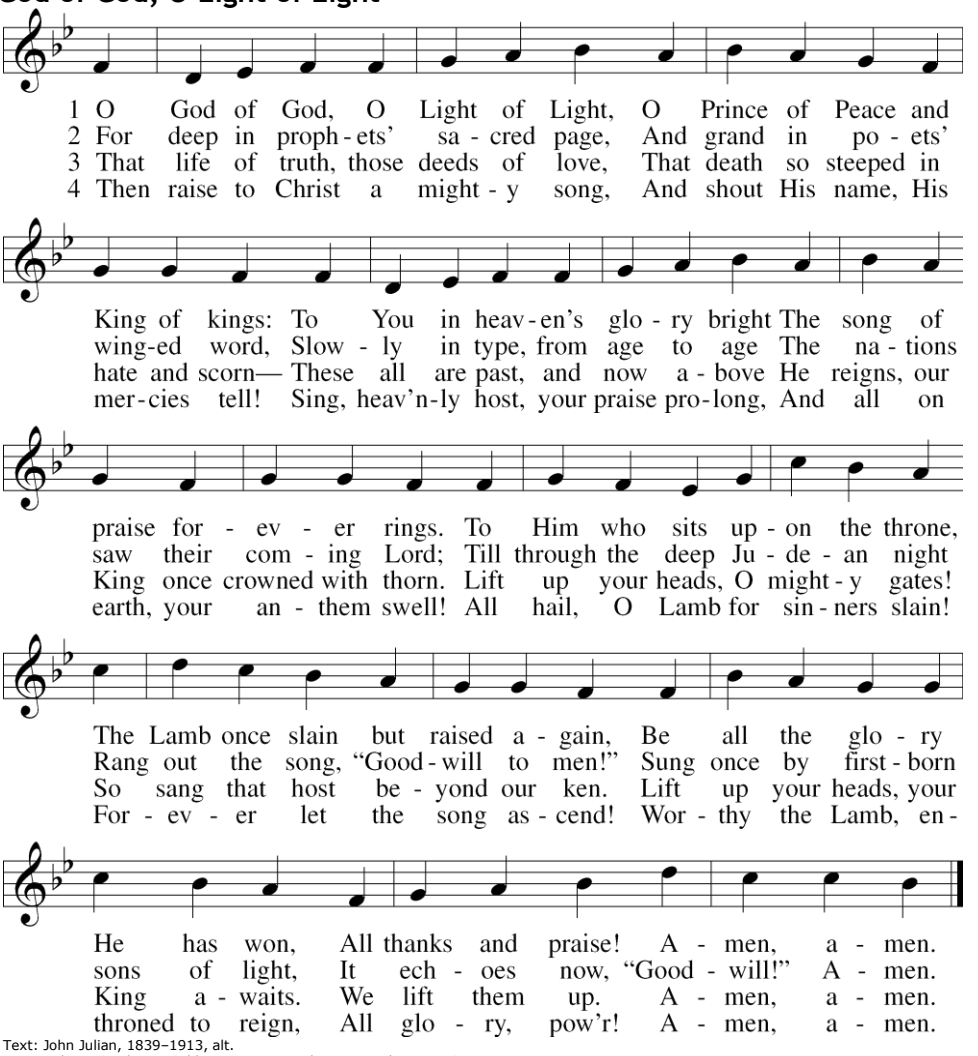


Nicene Creed

C **I believe in one God,**
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life ☩ of the world to come. Amen.

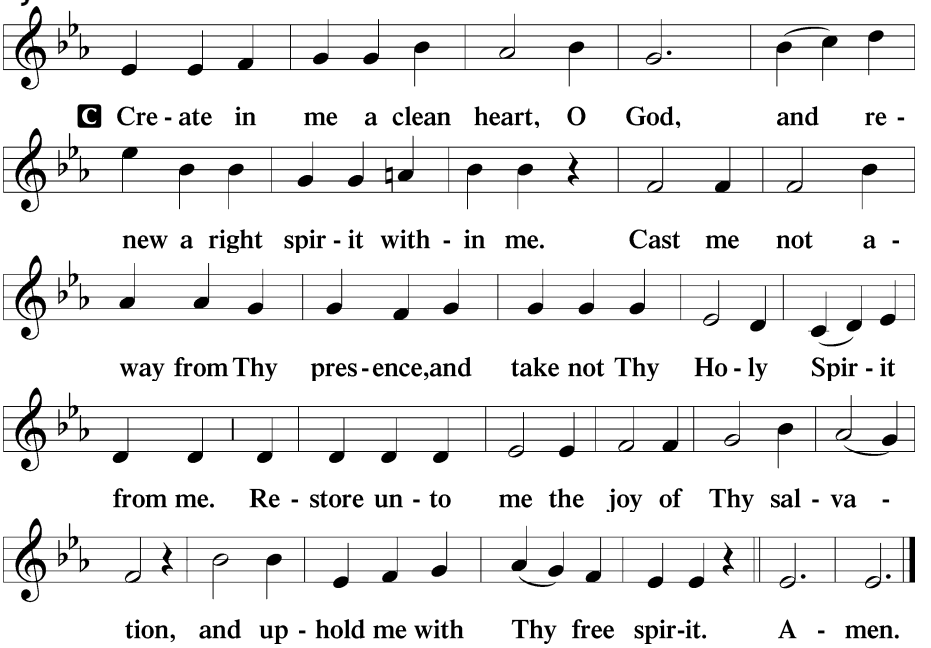
810 O God of God, O Light of Light



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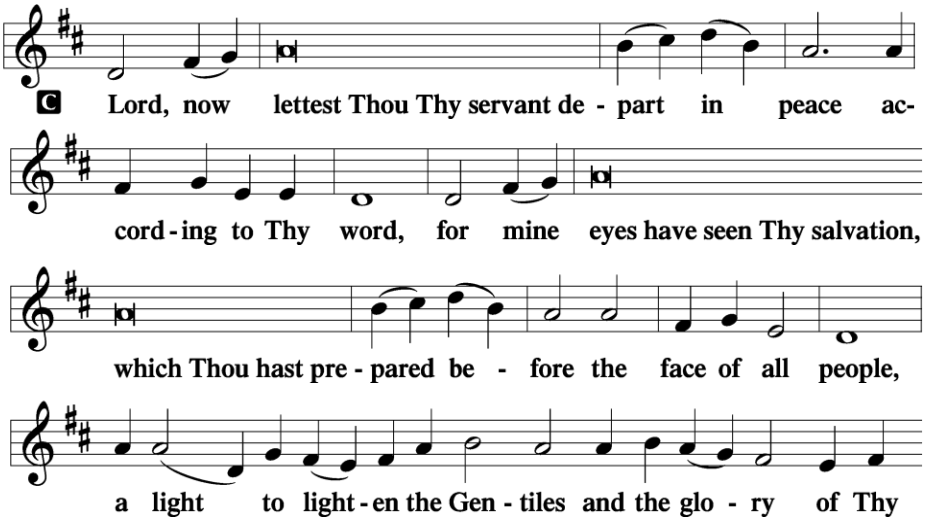
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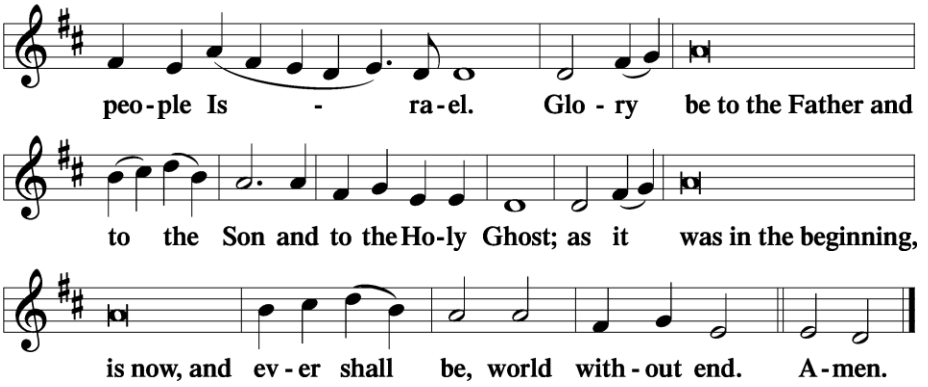
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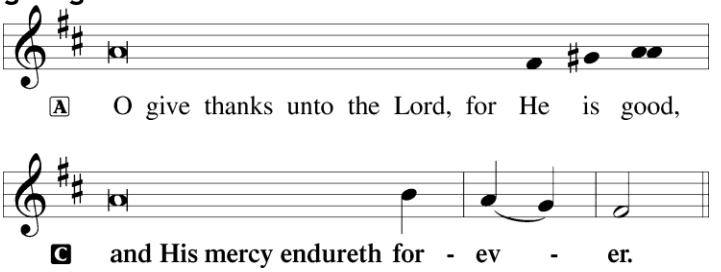
Prayer of the Church

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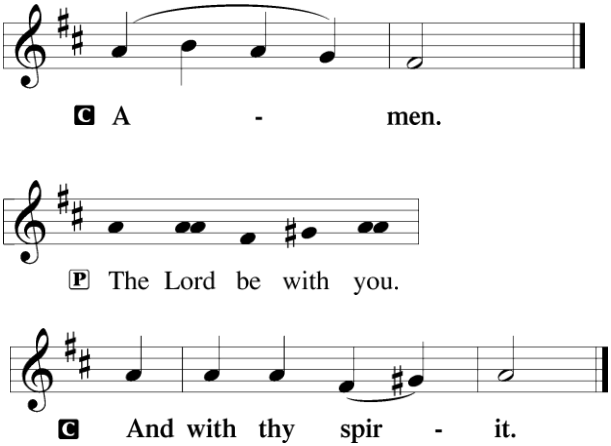




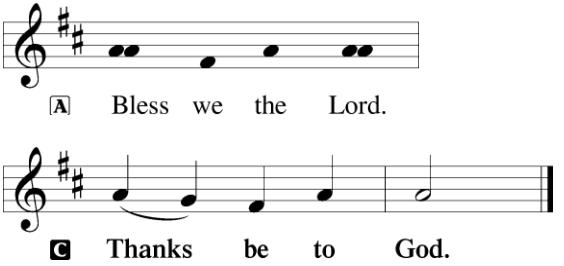
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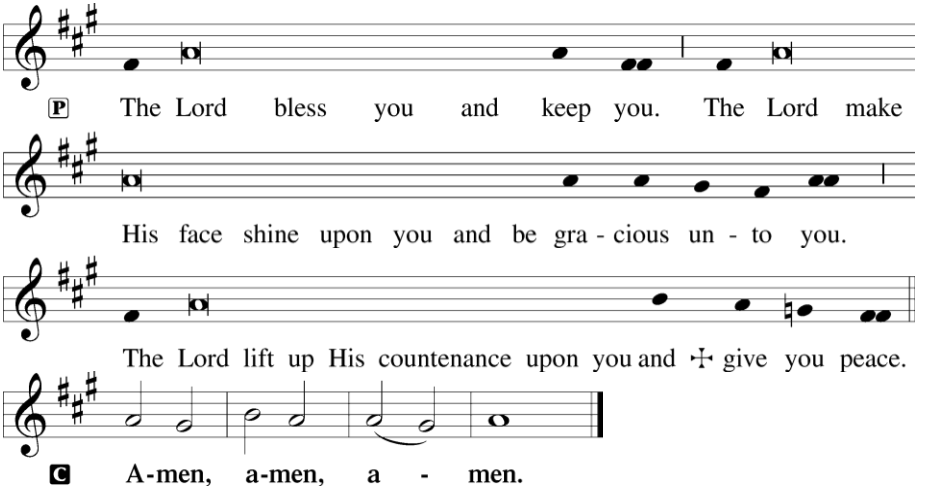
P Let us pray.
We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



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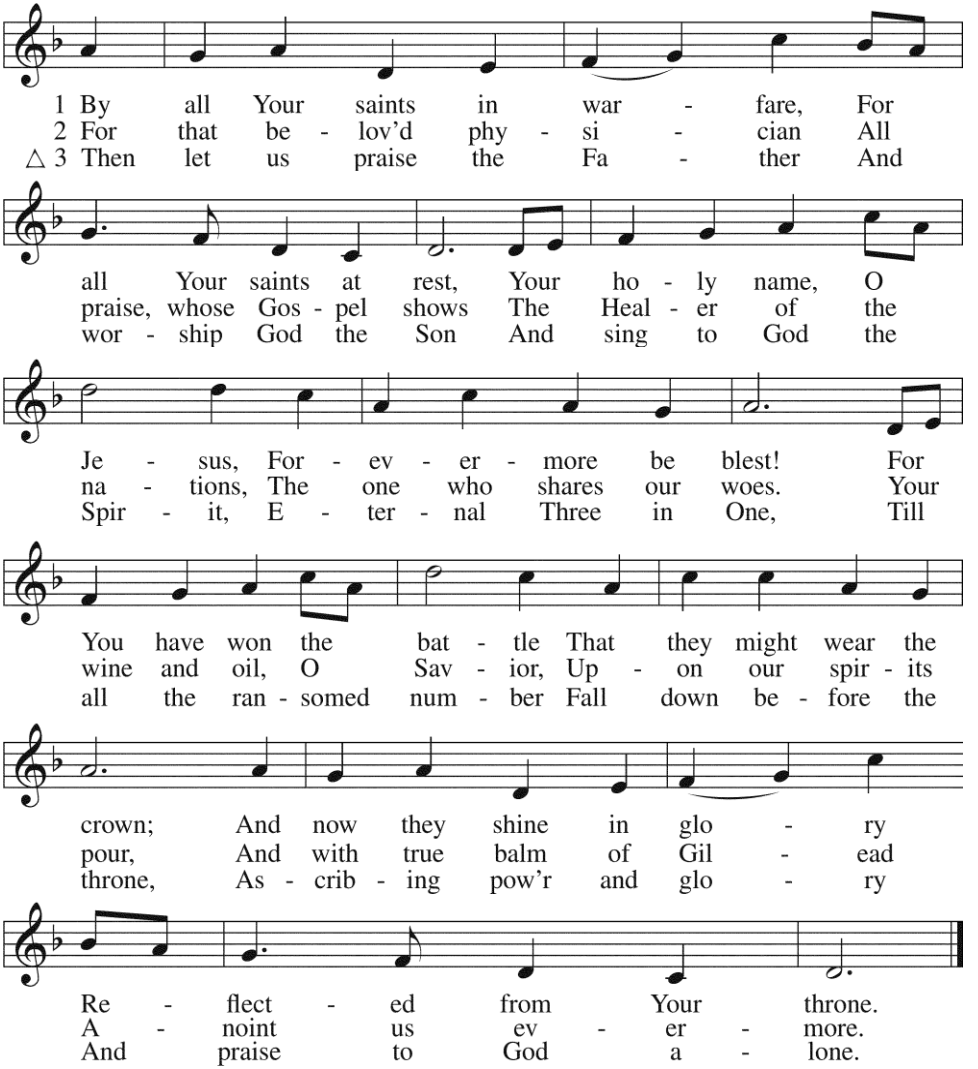


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