

Lord of Life Lutheran Church

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Reformation Sunday

Feast of Reformation

October 26, 2025

9:00 a.m.

Welcome to Lord of Life Lutheran Church

Welcome

In the name of Jesus Christ, we welcome you as we hear God's holy Word in worship in-person and online. We encourage you to follow along in this document.

If you are joining us online, please email the office at LOLOffice@lord-of-life.org, so we can welcome you within our midst.

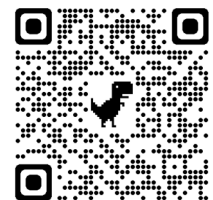
May the Lord bless our worship this day.

As We Gather

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.

As We Offer

We offer our contributions in-person or online at [Tithe.ly](https://tithe.ly) through this link https://tithe.ly/give_new/www/#/tithely/give-one-time/1438924 or with your phone by taking a picture of this QR Code.



+ Gathering +

PRELUDE ~ *In Christ There is No East or West*

David Dahl

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

We stand.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God, our maker, our helper, and our keeper.

C Amen.

P Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

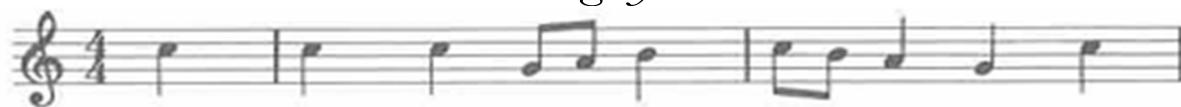
P Merciful and loving God,

C we are your stiff-necked people. We trample on the needy. We grumble about your grace to others. We turn away from the poor. Have mercy on us and forgive our sins. Rejoice over us as ones who were lost and have been found. Amen.

P Even when we are faithless, God remains faithful. Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners. You who were lost have been found. In the name of ✠ Jesus, your sins are forgiven!

C Amen.

GATHERING HYMN ~ *A Mighty Fortress is Our God* arr. Hal H. Hopson



1. A might - y for - tress is — our God, A
2. No strength of ours can match his might! We
3. (choir alone)
4. God's Word for - ev - er shall — a - bide, No



sword and shield vic - to - rious; He
would be lost, re - ject - ed. But
thanks to foes, who fear — it; For



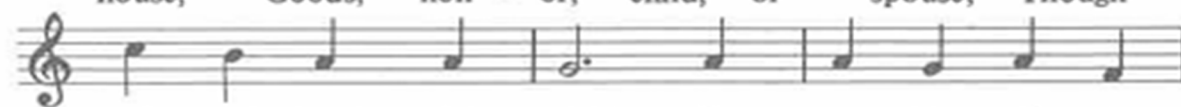
breaks the cruel — op - pres - sor's rod And
now a cham - pion comes to fight, Whom
God him - self — fights by — our side With



wins sal - va - tion glo - rious. The old sa - tan - ic
God him - self e - lect - ed. You ask who this may
wea - pons of the Spir - it. Were they to take our



foe be? Has sworn to work us woe! With
house, The Lord of hosts is he! Christ
Goods, hon - or, child, or spouse, Though



craft and dread - ful might He arms him - self to
Je - sus, might - y Lord, God's on - ly Son, a -
life be wrenched a - way, They can - not win the



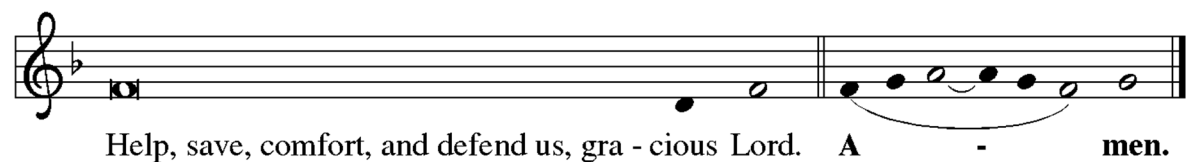
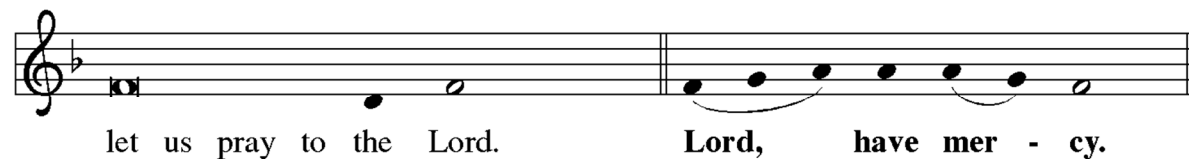
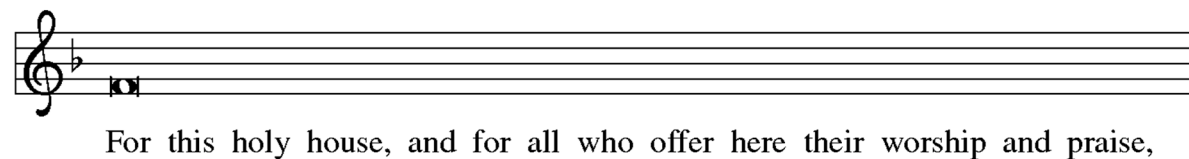
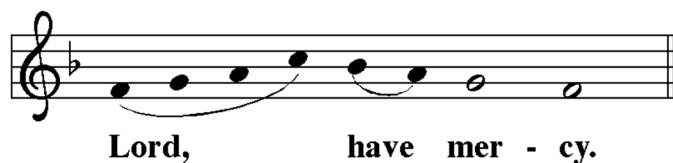
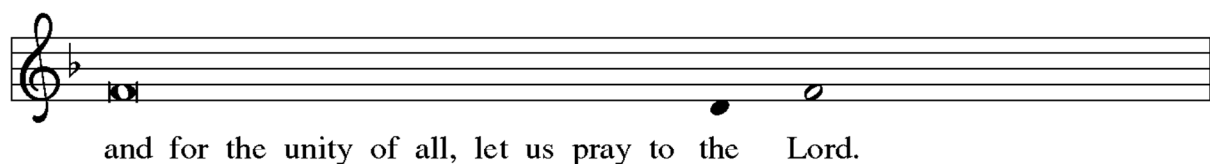
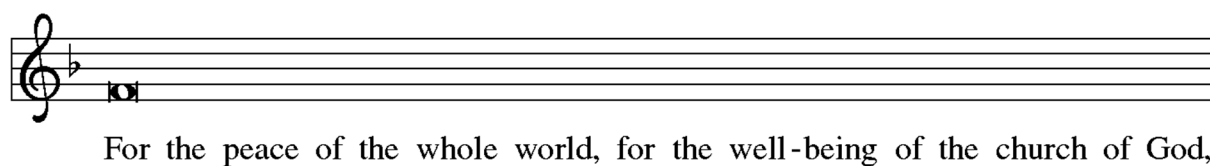
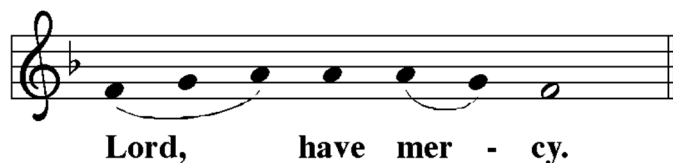
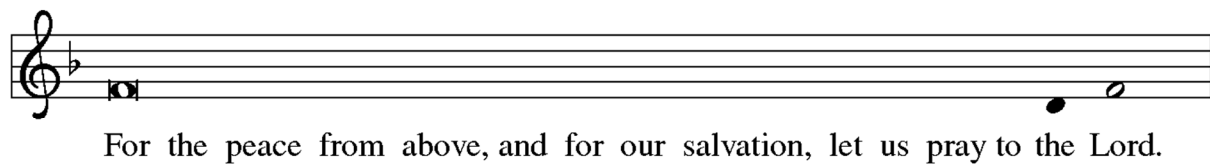
fight. On earth he has no e - qual.
dored. He holds the field vic - to - rious.
day. The King - dom's ours for - ev - er!

GREETING

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

C And also with you.

KYRIE



HYMN 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

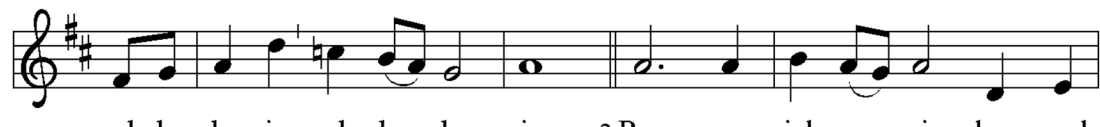


who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.

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

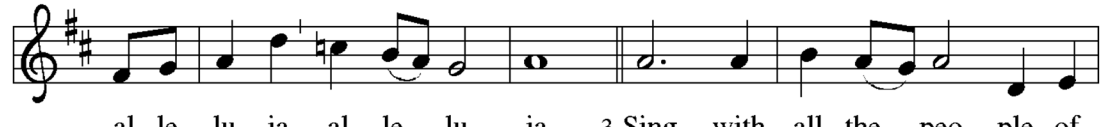


strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

Refrain



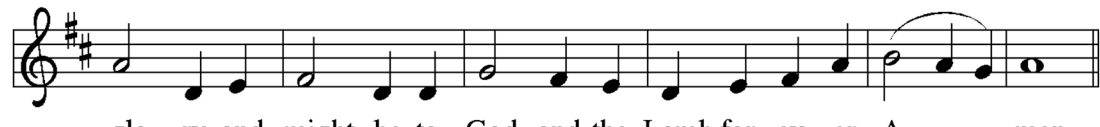
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



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

P Let us pray. Almighty God, gracious Lord, we thank you that your Holy Spirit renews the church in every age. Pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your word, protect and comfort them in times of trial, defend them against all enemies of the gospel, and bestow on the church your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

+ Word +

We sit.

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 31:31-34

A A reading from Jeremiah.

³¹ 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. ³² It 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.

³³ But 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. ³⁴ No 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.

A The word of the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.

PSALM 46



A ¹ God is our ref- | uge and strength,
a very present | help in trouble.

G ² Therefore we will not fear, though the | earth be moved,
and though the mountains shake in the depths | of the
sea;

A ³ though its waters | rage and foam,
and though the mountains tremble | with its tumult.

G ⁴ There is a river whose streams make glad the cit- | y of
God,
the holy habitation of | the Most High.

A ⁵ God is in the midst of the city; it shall | not be shaken;
God shall help it at the | break of day.

C ⁶ **The nations rage, and the | kingdoms shake;
God speaks, and the earth | melts away.**

A ⁷ The LORD of | hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob | is our stronghold.

C ⁸ **Come now, regard the works | of the LORD,
what desolations God has brought up- | on the earth;**

A ⁹ behold the one who makes war to cease in | all the world;
who breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns
the | shields with fire.

C ¹⁰ **“Be still, then, and know that | I am God;
I will be exalted among the nations; I will be
exalted | in the earth.”**

A ¹¹ The LORD of | hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob | is our stronghold.

SECOND READING

Romans 3:19-28

A A reading from Romans.

¹⁹ 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. ²⁰ For no human will be justified before him by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin. ²¹ But now, apart from the law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed and is attested by the Law and the Prophets, ²² the righteousness of God through the faith of Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, ²³ since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; ²⁴ they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵ whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by

his blood, effective through faith. He did this to demonstrate his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed; ²⁶ it was to demonstrate at the present time his own righteousness, so that he is righteous and he justifies the one who has the faith of Jesus. ²⁷ Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. Through what kind of law? That of works? No, rather through the law of faith. ²⁸ For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

A The word of the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.

We stand.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL

John 8:31-36

P The holy gospel according to John.

G Glory to you, O Lord.

³¹ Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, “If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples, ³² and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.” ³³ They 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’?” ³⁴ Jesus answered them, “Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵ The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. ³⁶ So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed.”

P The gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY ~ *There's a Wideness in God's Mercy* ELW 588



1 There's a wide-ness in God's mer - cy, like the wide-ness of the sea;
 2 There is wel - come for the sin - ner, and a prom - ised grace made good;
 3 For the love of God is broad - er than the mea - sures of our mind;
 4 'Tis not all we owe to Je - sus; it is some-thing more than all:



there's a kind - ness in God's jus - tice which is more than lib - er - ty.
 there is mer - cy with the Sav - ior; there is heal - ing in his blood.
 and the heart of the E - ter - nal is most won - der - ful - ly kind.
 great - er good be - cause of e - vil, larg - er mer - cy through the fall.



There is no place where earth's sor - rows are more felt than up in heav'n.
 There is grace e - nough for thou - sands of new worlds as great as this;
 But we make this love too nar - row by false lim - its of our own;
 Make our love, O God, more faith - ful; let us take you at your word,



There is no place where earth's fail - ings have such kind - ly judg - ment giv'n.
 there is room for fresh cre - a - tions in that up - per home of bliss.
 and we mag - ni - fy its strict - ness with a zeal God will not own.
 and our lives will be thanks - giv - ing for the good - ness of the Lord.

We stand

APOSTLES' CREED

- A** Let us confess the faith of the church with the words of the Apostles' Creed.
- C** I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

- A** Renewed in God's everlasting grace, let us pray for the church, the world, and all creation.

Each petition ends:

- A** God of grace,
- C** receive our prayer.

The prayers conclude:

- P** We offer our prayers, O God, trusting in your everlasting grace and mercy, through Jesus Christ.
- C** Amen.

PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

+ Meal +

We sit.

OFFERING MUSIC ~ BELLS *Let Us Break Bread Together* Dan R. Edwards

We stand.

OFFERING SONG ~ *Take My Life, That I May Be*

ELW 685



- 1 Take my life, that I may be con - se - crat - ed, Lord, to thee;
- 2 Take my hands and let them move at the im - pulse of thy love;
- 3 Take my voice and let me sing al - ways, on - ly, for my King;
- 4 Take my sil - ver and my gold, not a mite would I with - hold;



take my mo - ments and my days; let them flow in cease - less praise.
take my feet and let them be swift and beau - ti - ful for thee.
take my lips and let them be filled with mes - sag - es from thee.
take my in - tel - lect, and use ev - 'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose.

OFFERING PRAYER

A Let us pray. Lord of the harvest, we return to you a portion of what you have given to us. Turn us to set our hope not on the uncertainty of riches, but on you, who richly provides for us. Multiply what we have gathered to bless all who are suffering and in need, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

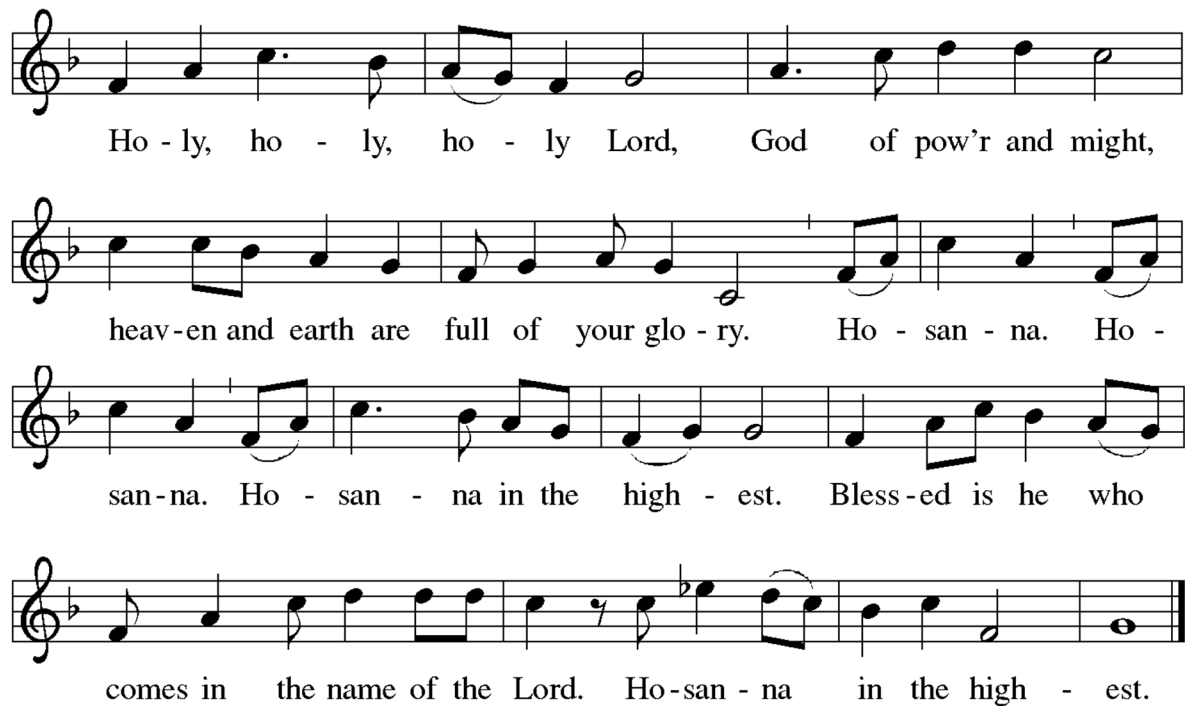
DIALOGUE

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

PREFACE

- P** It is indeed right and salutary...praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS

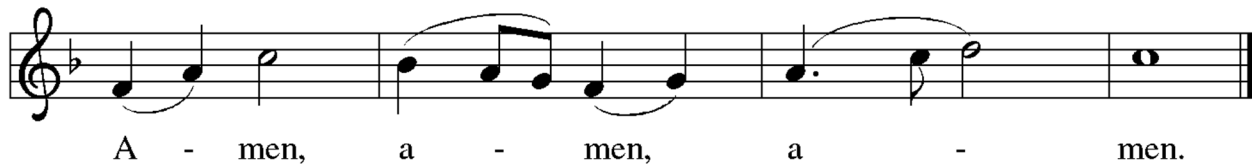


Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

THANKSGIVING

- P** We give you thanks, Father, through Jesus Christ, your beloved Son, whom you sent in this end...
...Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father,

with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.



LORD'S PRAYER

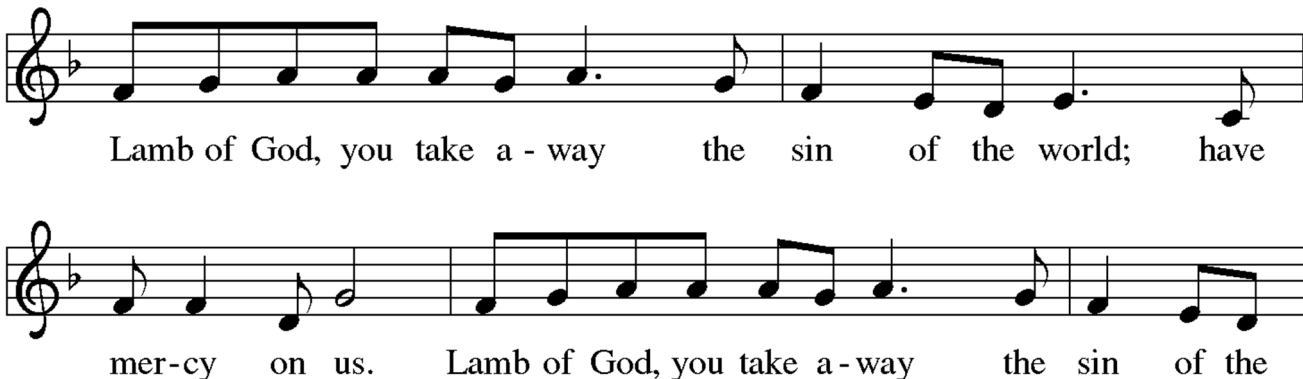
- P** Let us pray the words our Lord taught us.
- C** **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

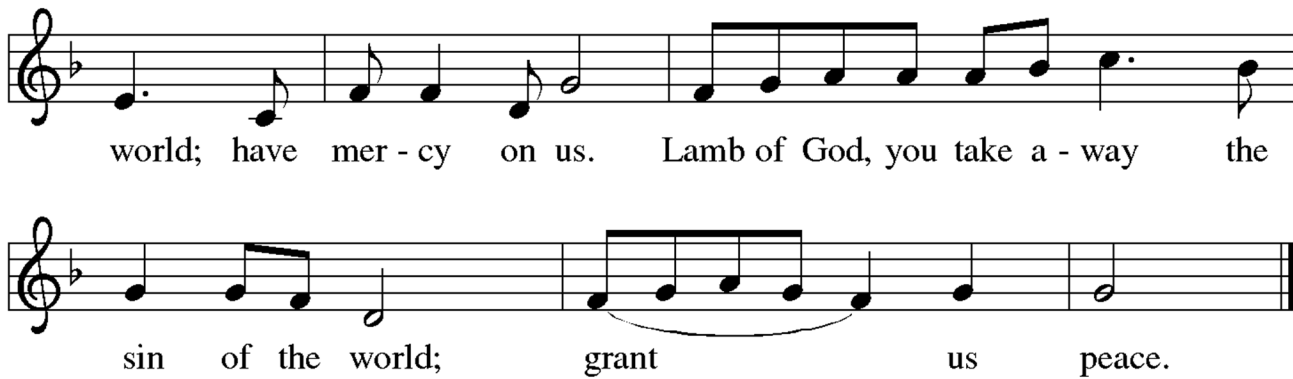
INVITATION TO COMMUNION

- P** Jesus welcomes sinners and eats with them. Come to this meal of mercy.
- C** Amen.

We sit.

AGNUS DEI



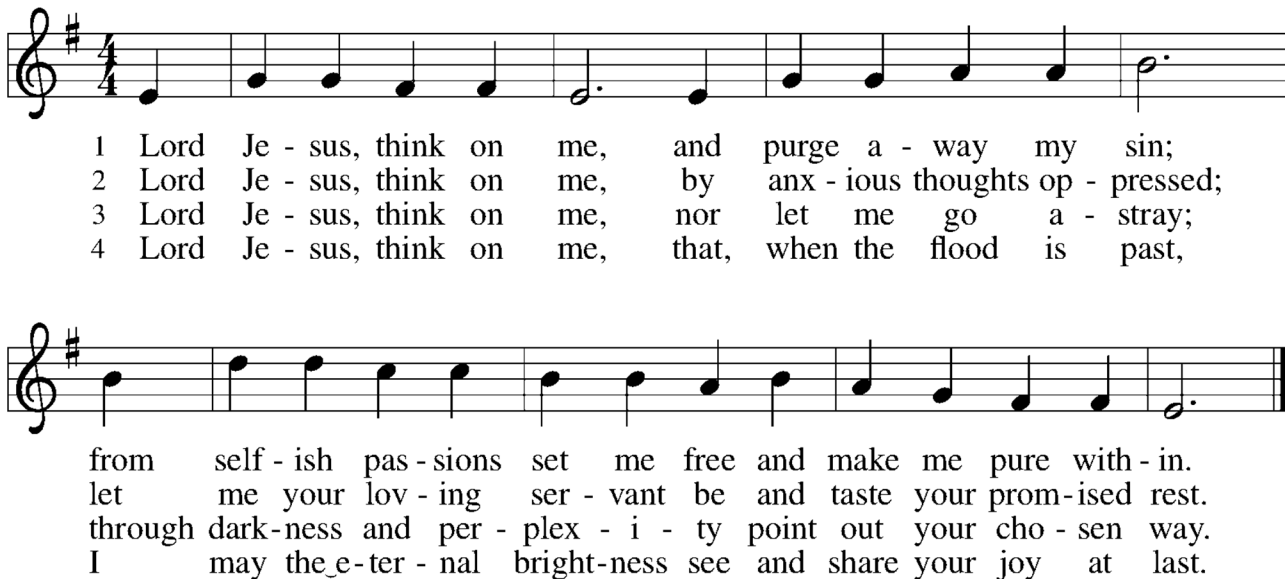


COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

*All are welcome to the table of the Lord, who is truly present in, with and under the bread and wine. We gather at the communion rail and consume the elements, **by intinction**, taking the wafer and dipping it into the chalice, half of which is **red** wine, and the other half of which, is **light apple juice**. **Gluten free wafers** are available during distribution. **Children** who have yet to commune are welcome to receive a blessing. **Please inform the ushers** if you would like communion brought to you at **your place in the pew**.*

COMMUNION HYMN ~ Lord Jesus Think on Me

ELW 599



We stand.

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you
 and keep you in his grace. **C** Amen.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

A O God, through this meal you have strengthened us and appointed us to be your servants. Send us to do good and to share our possessions with all in need. We ask this in Jesus' name.

C Amen.

+ Sending +

BLESSING

P Almighty God, Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C Amen.

SENDING HYMN ~ *I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light* ELW 815



1 I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to
2 I want to see . . . the bright-ness of God. I want to
3 I'm look - ing for . . . the com - ing of Christ. I want to

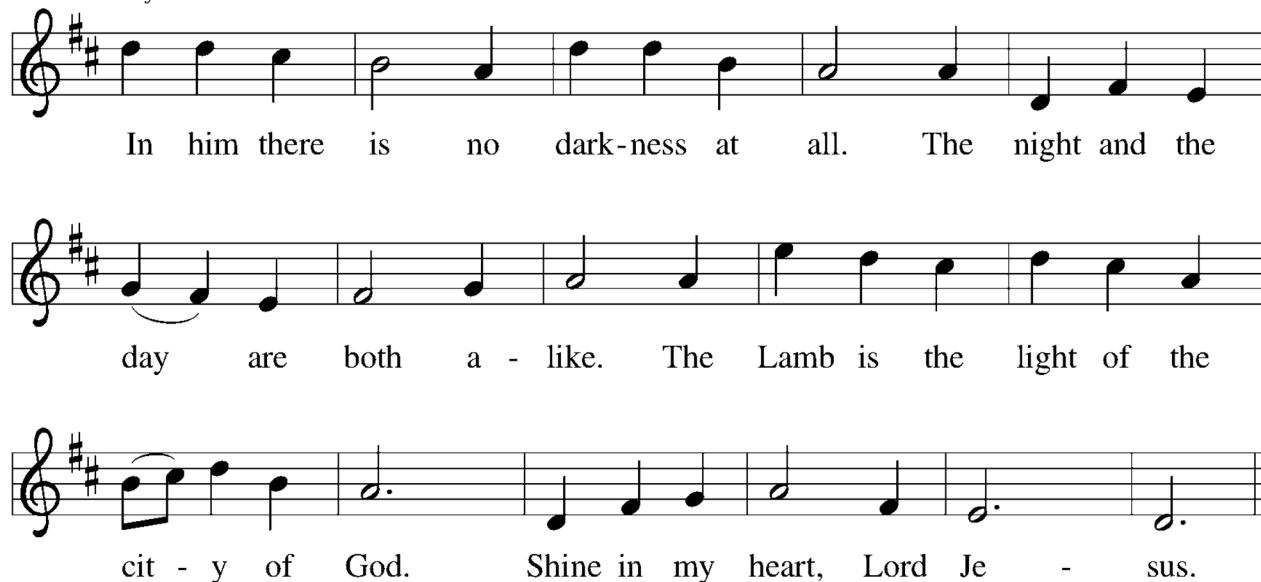


fol - low Je - sus. God set the stars to give
look at Je - sus. Clear Sun of righ - teous-ness,
be with Je - sus. When we have run . . . with



light to the world. The star of my life is Je - sus.
shine on my path, and show me the way to the Fa - ther.
pa - tience the race, we shall know the joy of Je - sus.

Refrain



In him there is no dark-ness at all. The night and the
day are both a - like. The Lamb is the light of the
cit - y of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Do not lose heart.

G Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE ~ *Postlude on "Ein Feste Burg"*

Sandra Gay

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✝ WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS ✝

WORSHIP REGISTRATION SHEETS ~ All visitors & members please sign-in each Sunday on the worship attendance sheets located in the blue folder at the end of your pew. Please update any new contact information. We encourage visitors to provide contact information - - this helps us to get to know you!

****Please continue to sign-in each week.** This helps gauge church growth, plan events, maintain how many bulletins should be printed, and assist in setting up the communion meal for each week. Trying a new seat will also help you say hello to those who you do not know each week. Thank you for your assistance with this.**

WELCOME ~ IF YOU WATCH ON-LINE, PLEASE EMAIL THE CHURCH OFFICE DIRECTLY AT LOLOffice@lord-of-life.org or call the office and let us know you attended. Thank you!

USHERS MEETING:

Meeting for All Ushers; after service TODAY in the Library. Looking forward to meeting with all of you. Thank you, Stephanie Yager

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY NOVEMBER 2, 2025: We will be doing a special remembrance for LOL members who died in the months of November, 2024 through October, 2025. We will light candles, speak their names, and ring a chime during The Prayers, giving thanks for each of them. We will also offer the opportunity to those who wish to remember loved ones who have died by inviting you to come forward to light a candle and to speak their name. If you have more than one loved one to remember, please write their names on an index card and hand the card to Pastor Rebekah as you come forward. A short prayer will be said for their life and then you may return to your seat.

A list of names will be included in the bulletin of those who have died. If there is a name you wish to include on this list, please call the church office at 847-895-8877 or email at lolooffice@lord-of-life.org.

FALL BACK! On Sunday, November 2, Daylight Savings Time Ends. Don't forget to turn your clocks back 1 hour Saturday Night, November 1