Sunday - November 8, 2026
24th Sunday after Pentecost

OUR MISSION: God calls us to live and share the amazing love and grace of Jesus Christ with all people.

Welcome to Christ Lutheran Church. Christ Lutheran Church is a Reconciling in Christ congregation that welcomes all. May God bless us in Word and Sacrament, music and community in our worship today. The service is complete in this bulletin. The spoken responses are bolded text.

We acknowledge that our building of worship is built upon the territory of xučyun (Huichin), the unceded land stewarded by the Ohlone people who speak to their Creator and loved ones in the language of Chochenyo.

INTRODUCTION

Today the prophet Amos calls for justice to roll down like waters. Paul urges us to encourage one another with the promised coming of the Lord. Jesus tells the parable of the wise and foolish bridesmaids. Surrounded by the faithful of every time and place, we celebrate Christ's coming in our midst in the word of life and the feast of victory—the marriage feast of the Lamb.

PRELUDE

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, our dwelling place for all generations, whose compassion never slumbers. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.
Silence is kept for reflection.

Holy God, **we confess that we have trusted in our preparation instead of your invitation. We prioritize our piety over care for your beloved. We trust the voice of our shame and fear, which keeps us from entering fully into relationship with you and others. We are not awake to the coming of your reign. Rouse us and rescue us, that we may enter into your joy. Amen.**

Inherit the riches of God's grace. ☩ Jesus, the good shepherd, feeds you with his mercy.
You are forgiven. Blessed are you. **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN: **"My Lord, What a Morning" (ELW 438)**

Refrain

My Lord, what a morning;
my Lord, what a morning;
oh, my Lord, what a morning,
when the stars begin to fall.

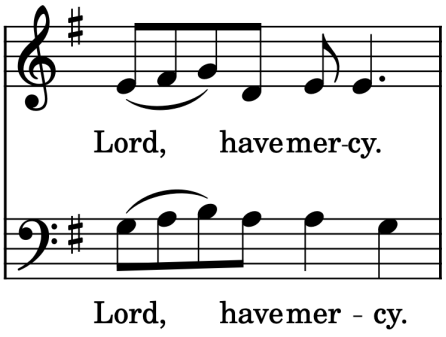
1 You will hear the trumpet sound,
to wake the nations underground,
looking to my God's right hand,
when the stars begin to fall. *Refrain*

2 You will hear the sinner cry,
to wake the nations underground,
looking to my God's right hand,
when the stars begin to fall. *Refrain*

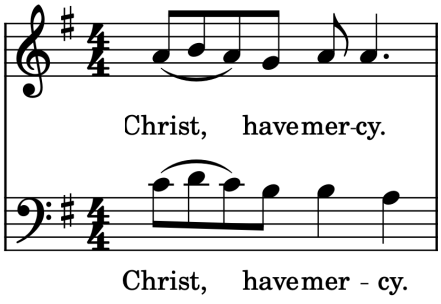
3 You will hear the Christian shout,
to wake the nations underground,
looking to my God's right hand,
when the stars begin to fall. *Refrain*

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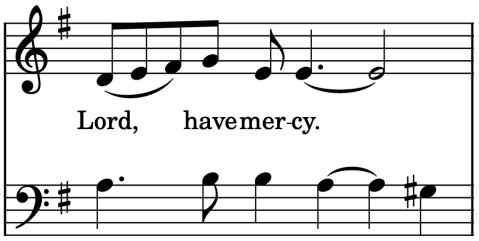
Lord Jesus, you raise the dead to life in the Spirit: Lord, have mercy.
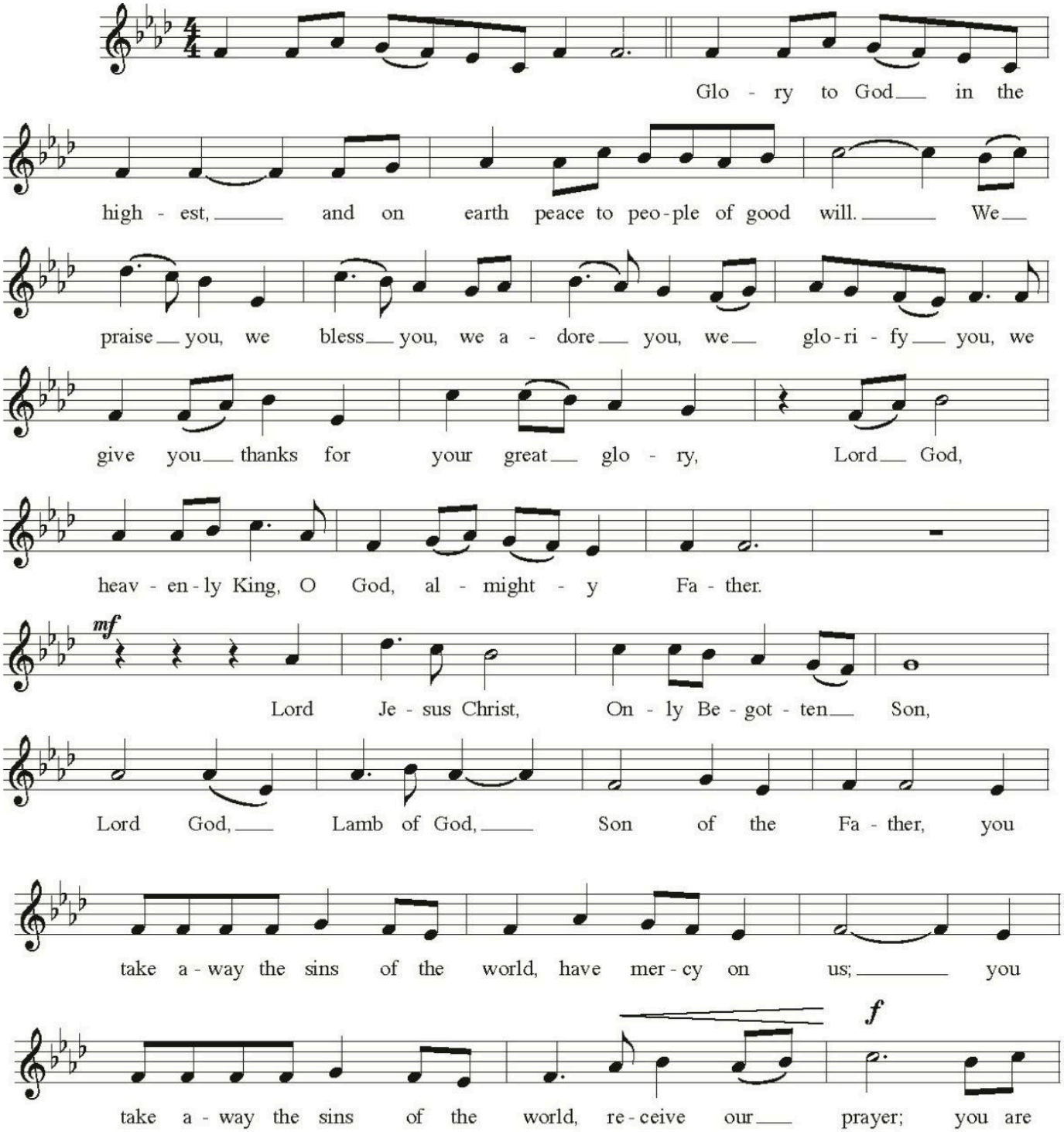


Lord Jesus, you forgive us our sins: Christ, have mercy.
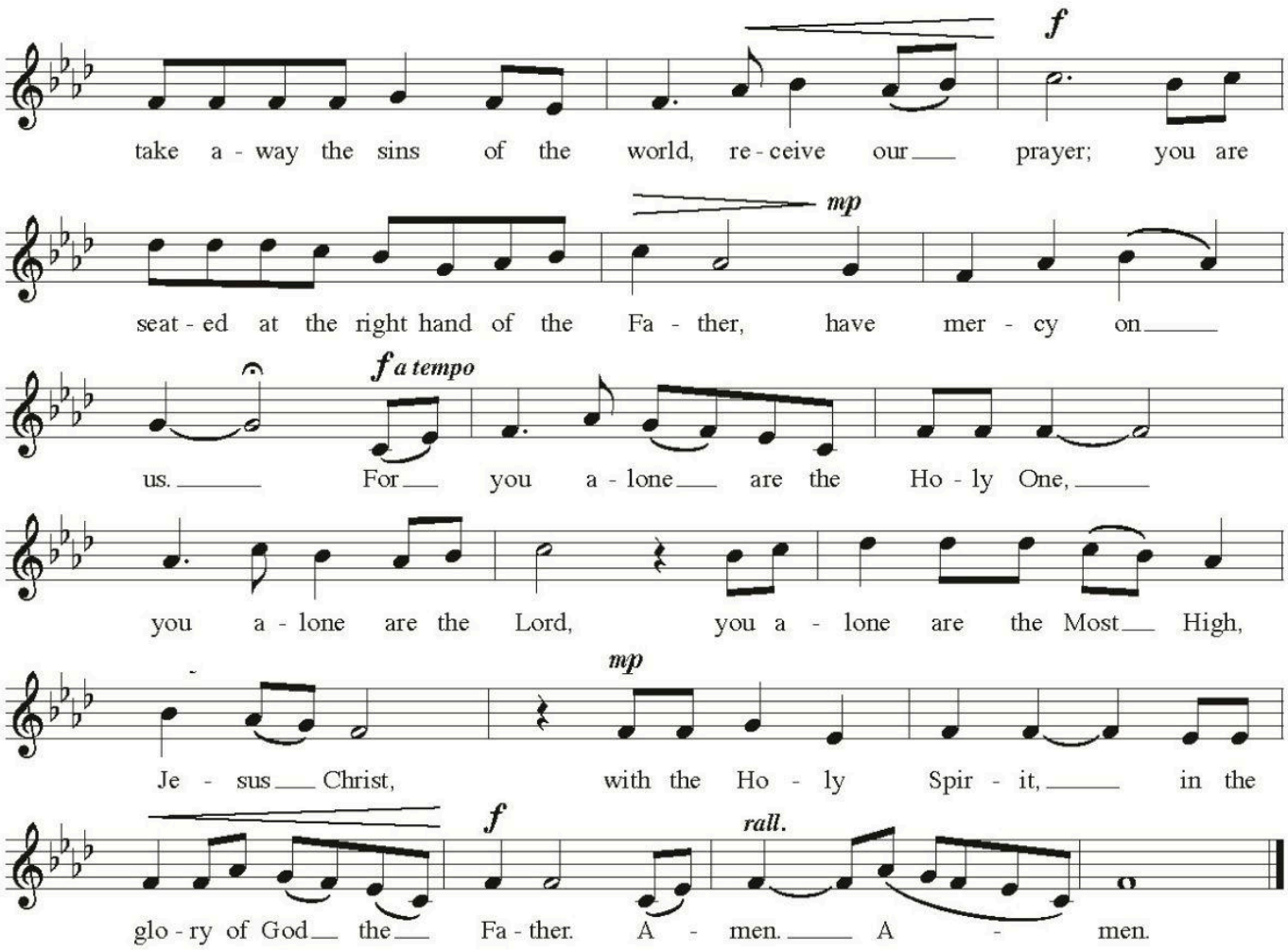


Lord Jesus, you feed us with your body and blood: Lord, have mercy.


Lord, have mer-cy.
Lord, have mer - cy.

GLORIA


Glo - ry to God in the
high - est, and on earth peace to peo-ple of good will. We
praise you, we bless you, we a - dore you, we glo-ri - fy you, we
give you thanks for your great glo - ry, Lord God,
heav - en-ly King, O God, al - might - y Fa - ther.
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Lord Je - sus Christ, On - ly Be - got - ten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa - ther, you
take a - way the sins of the world, have mer - cy on us; you
f
take a - way the sins of the world, re - ceive our prayer; you are



FIRST READING: Amos 5:18-24

18 Woe to you who desire the day of the LORD!
Why do you want the day of the LORD?
It is darkness, not light,
19 as if someone fled from a lion
and was met by a bear
or went into the house and rested a hand against the wall
and was bitten by a snake.
20 Is not the day of the LORD darkness, not light,
and gloom with no brightness in it?

21 I hate, I despise your festivals,
and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies.
22 Even though you offer me your burnt offerings and grain offerings,
I will not accept them,
and the offerings of well-being of your fatted animals
I will not look upon.
23 Take away from me the noise of your songs;
I will not listen to the melody of your harps.
24 But let justice roll down like water

and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.
Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 70

O God, deliver me; O Lord, make haste—help me!
Let those who seek my life be shamed, humiliated be.

May all who seek my end, my ruin to my face—
May they be put to shame and all be turned back in disgrace.

May those who say to me, “Aha, Aha!” in spite—
May they be turned back in their shame, dishonored in plain sight.

But may all who seek You be glad, with joy abide.
May those who love salvation say, “Let God be magnified!”

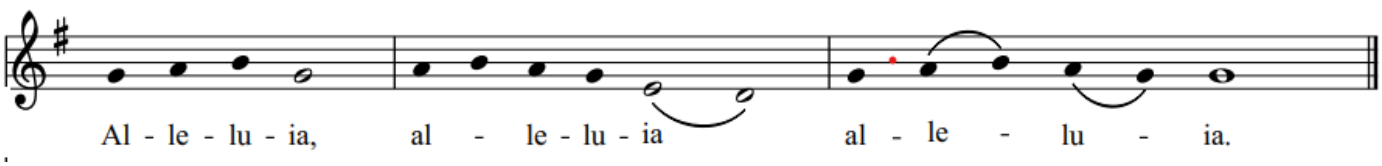
Still I’m afflicted, God, make haste to help, I pray;
You’re my help and deliverer; O Lord, do not delay!

SECOND READING: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

13 We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have
died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. 14 For since we believe
that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those
who have died. 15 For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are
alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who
have died. 16 For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel’s call and
with the sound of God’s trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will
rise first. 17 Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together
with them to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will be with the Lord forever.
18 Therefore encourage one another with these words.
Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

1st time: Cantor, 2nd time: All

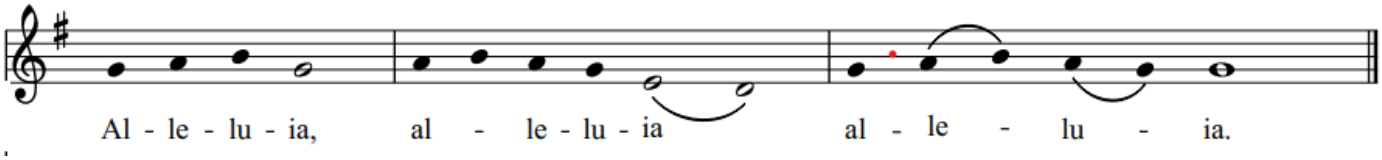


GOSPEL: Matthew 25:1-13

The holy gospel according to Matthew. **Glory to you, O God.**

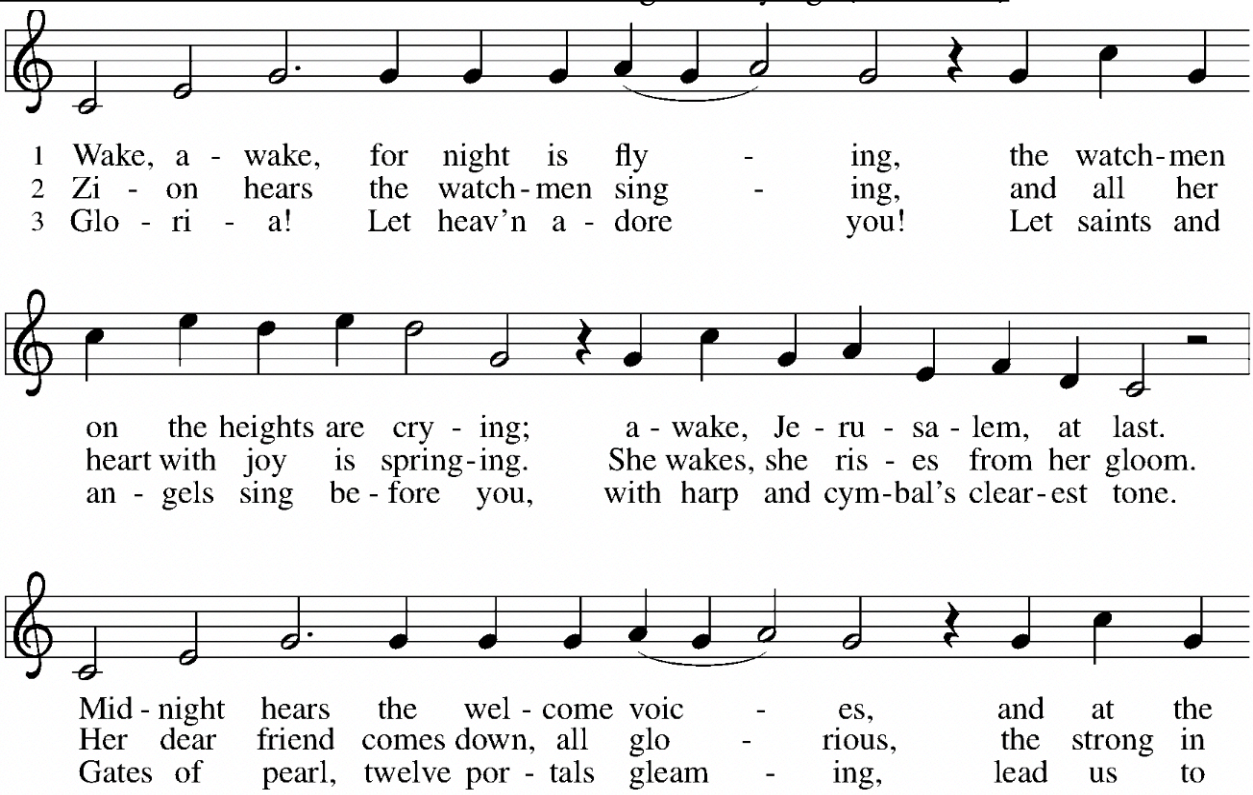
[Jesus said to the disciples:] [1] "Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten young women took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. [2] Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. [3] When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, [4] but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. [5] As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. [6] But at midnight there was a shout, 'Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' [7] Then all those young women got up and trimmed their lamps. [8] The foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' [9] But the wise replied, 'No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.' [10] And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet, and the door was shut. [11] Later the other young women came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' [12] But he replied, 'Truly I tell you, I do not know you.' [13] Keep awake, therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

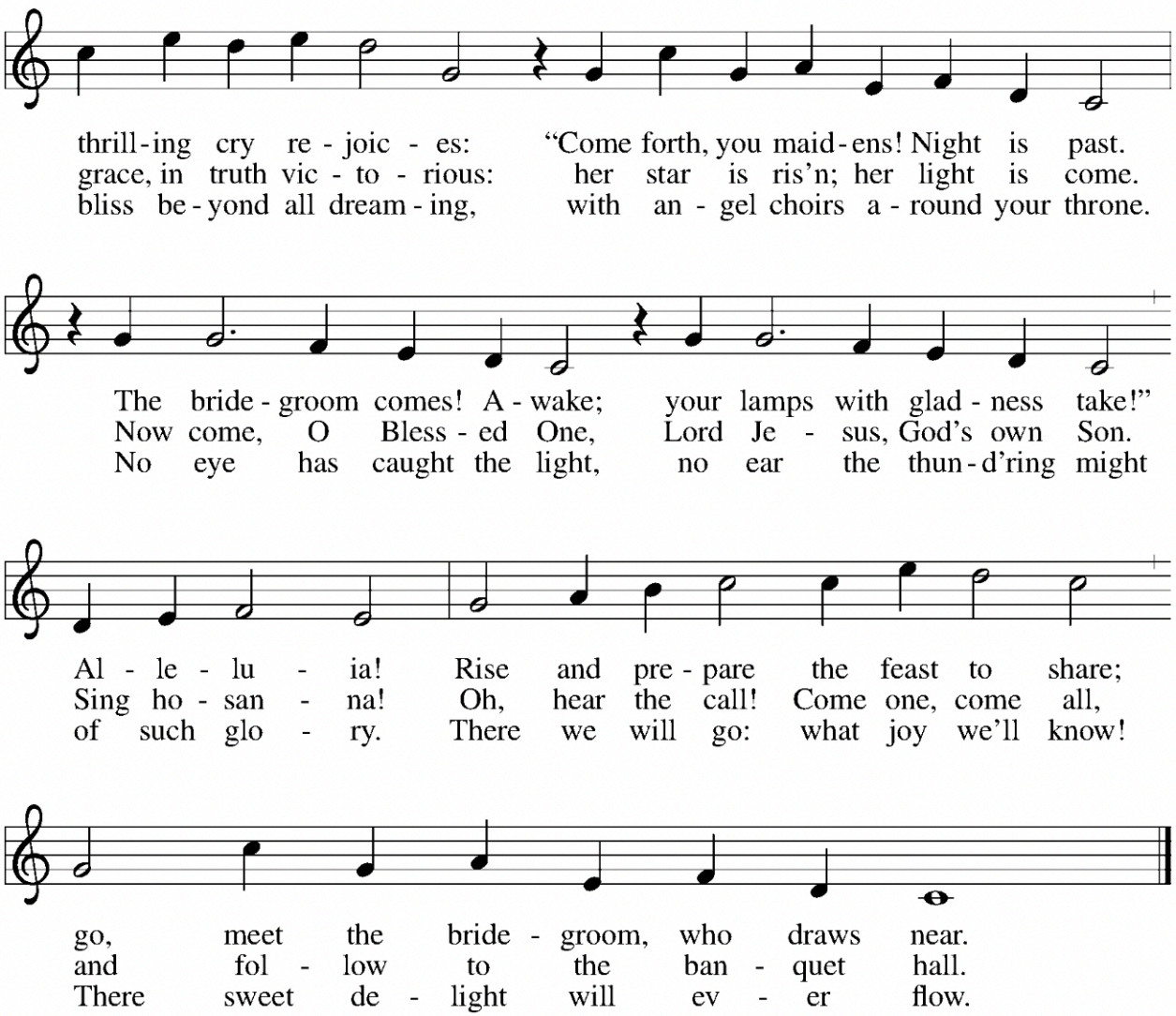
The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**



SERMON: Pr. Kyle

HYMN OF THE DAY: "Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying" (ELW 436)





THE APOSTLES' CREED

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

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

A brief silence.

You illumine the church with the hope of your new day. Prepare our hearts and minds for the inbreaking of your kingdom, that we might awaken to your transforming love at work all around us. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You create and sustain the earth's natural rhythms so that all life might thrive. Show us the wisdom and wonder of nature's balance; make us careful stewards of our common home. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You make justice roll down in all places and among all nations. Encourage all who protect vulnerable communities and help rebuild in the aftermath of conflict. Uphold veterans and those who care for them. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You hasten to heal our wounds and make whole what is broken. Comfort individuals facing a difficult diagnosis, receiving palliative care, or facing uncertain treatment options. We pray especially for Karen, Fred, George G., Maryann H., Evie D., Diane, Carla, Laurie & John P., Scott F., Pr. Sharon, Dave Miller, George F, Pr. Kyle, and those we name at this time. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You give rest to weary hearts and bodies. As the days grow shorter in the north, help us to move more slowly and intentionally through our days, honoring the need for quiet and stillness. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

I invite you, the people of God gathered here, to offer your prayers at this time, spoken aloud, in silence, or typed in the livestream chat.

You welcome those who have come before us in faith into the joys of heaven. Sustain us by your grace and guide us into the promise of everlasting life. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Into your steadfast love, faithful God, we entrust all for whom we pray, in the name of Jesus, your beloved. **Amen.**

OFFERTORY: Choir Anthem- *Roll Down, Justice!*

There's a voice, strong and clear ringing out far and near
"Let justice roll down!"
Like the rush of a stream comes a powerful dream
Let justice roll down
Let the earth be restored, ev'ry soul be reformed;
Let the healing renew creation reborn.
Here in this sacred space with the strength of God's grace
Let justice roll down,
like an ever flowing stream.

CONGREGATION:

Come, thou Fount of every blessing;
tune my heart to sing thy grace;
streams of mercy, never ceasing,
call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet,
sung by flaming tongues above;
praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it,
mount of God's unchanging love!

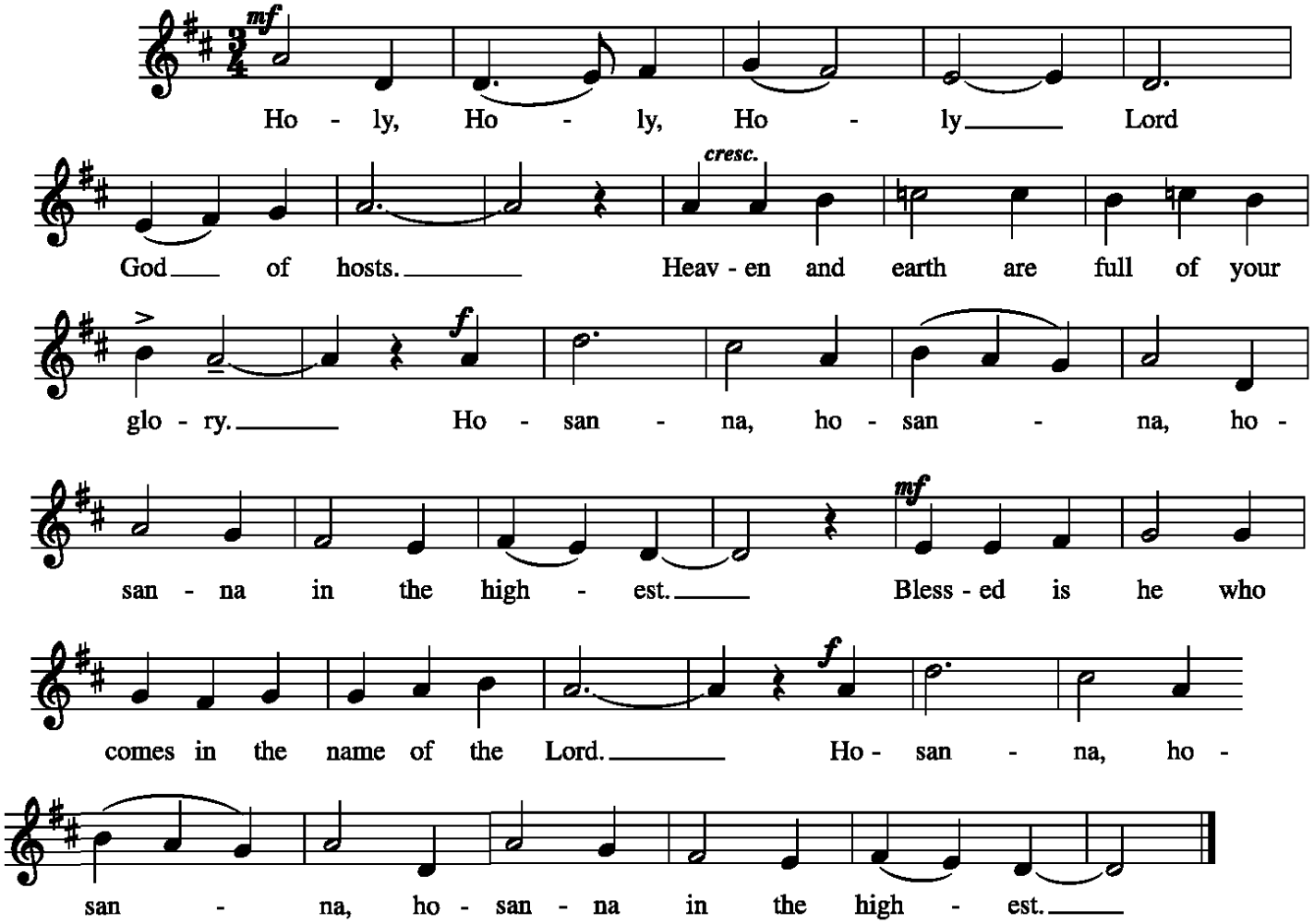
Here I raise my Ebenezer;
hither by thy help I'm come;
and I hope, by thy good pleasure,
safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger,
wandering from the fold of God;
he, to rescue me from danger,
interposed his precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor
daily I'm constrained to be!
Let that grace now, like a fetter,
bind my wandering heart to thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,
prone to leave the God I love;
here's my heart; O take and seal it;
seal it for thy courts above.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

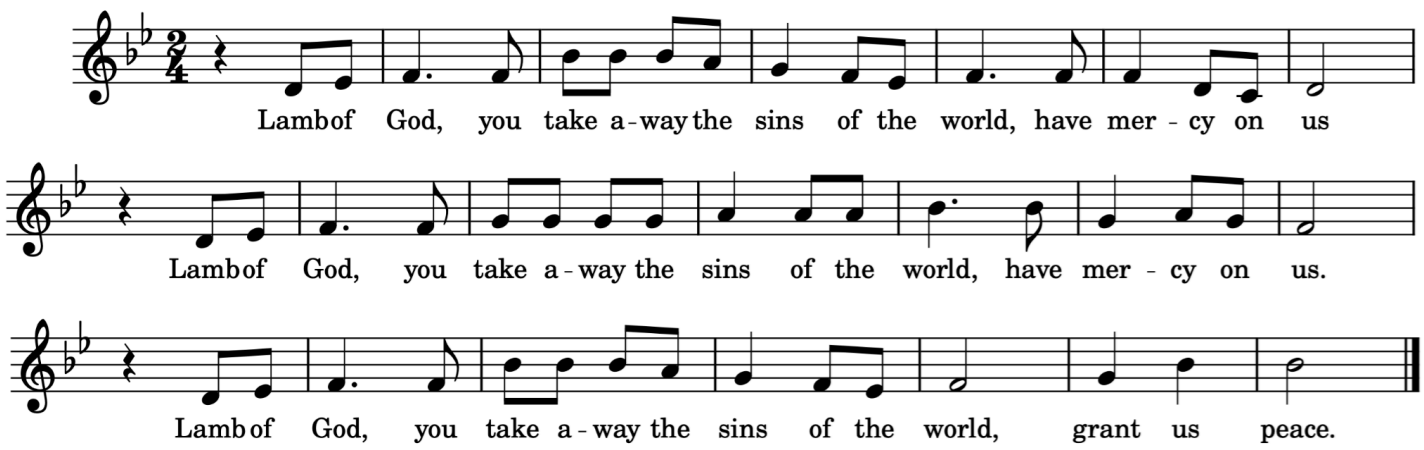
The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

SANCTUS

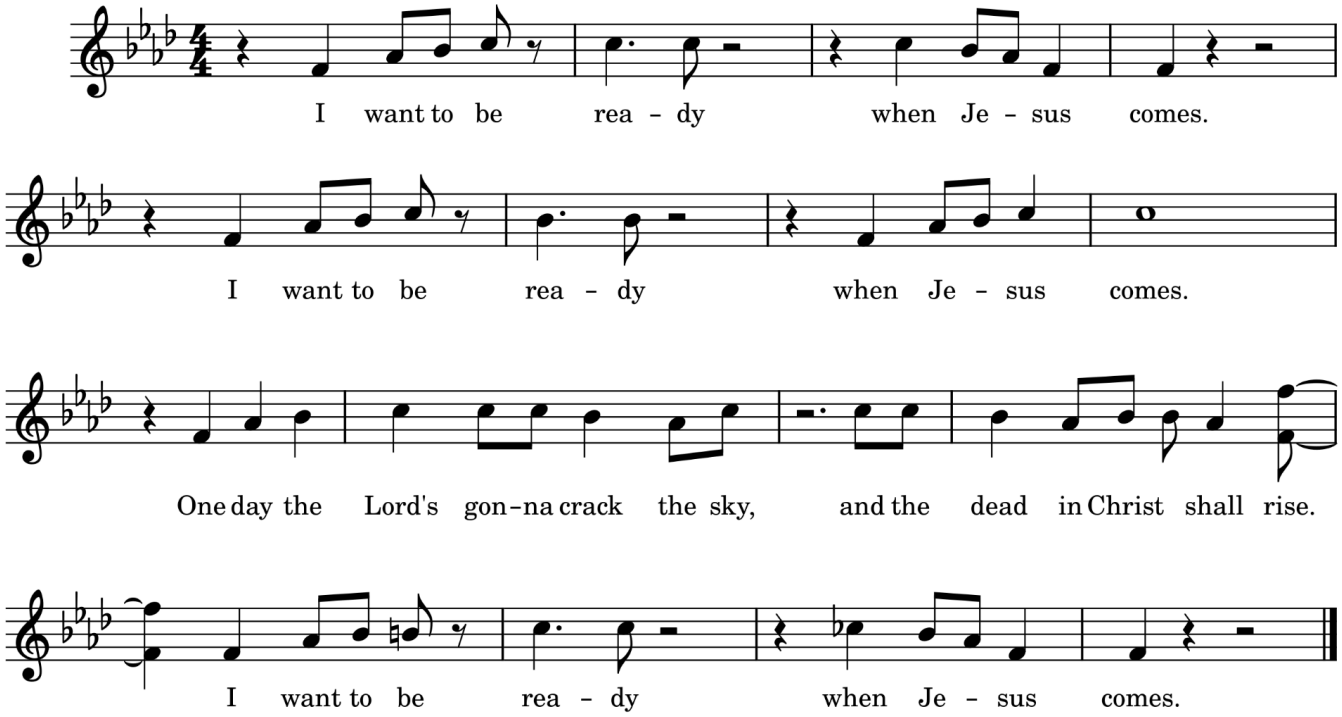


Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us. **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and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

LAMB OF GOD



SENDING HYMN: I Want to be Ready



DISMISSAL

Go out in joy. Be led forth in peace. **Thanks be to God.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congregational Meeting after Worship
No bible study today.

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LECTOR:

WORSHIP ASSISTANT: Elsa-Jennie

COMMUNION SET UP/CLEAN UP:

COFFEE HOUR: Carla L.

This Week at CLC

Today
9 AM Choir Rehearsal
10 AM CLC Worship
11:15 Congregational Meeting
1:30 PM Greater Love Worship

Monday
9 AM- 3:00 PM Senior Center
7 PM- 8:30 PM The Scouts

Tuesday
10 AM-3:00PM- WCCAE Respite Care
4:30-6:30 PM CCCT
7 PM Lady AA Meeting

Wednesday
4:30-6:30 PM CCCT

Thursday
4:30-6:30 PM CCCT
7 PM Handbell Rehearsal

Friday
4:30-6:30 PM CCCT

Saturday
6 PM Millennium AA Meeting

Next Sunday
9AM Choir Rehearsal
10 AM CLC Worship
11:15 Bible Study
1:30 PM Greater Love Worship

PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR:

Diane L.	Laurie P.	Chris
Lysle P.	Carolina S.	Phil C.
Mike S.	Karen H.	Scott F.
The Vale Community	Fred W.	Thelma & Mike G.
Robin & Wendy	Chad B.	John Z.
George F.	TJ B.	Pr. Sharon
Jimmy D.	Carla L.	Dave Miller
Vince	Mark	Pr. Kyle
George G.		

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