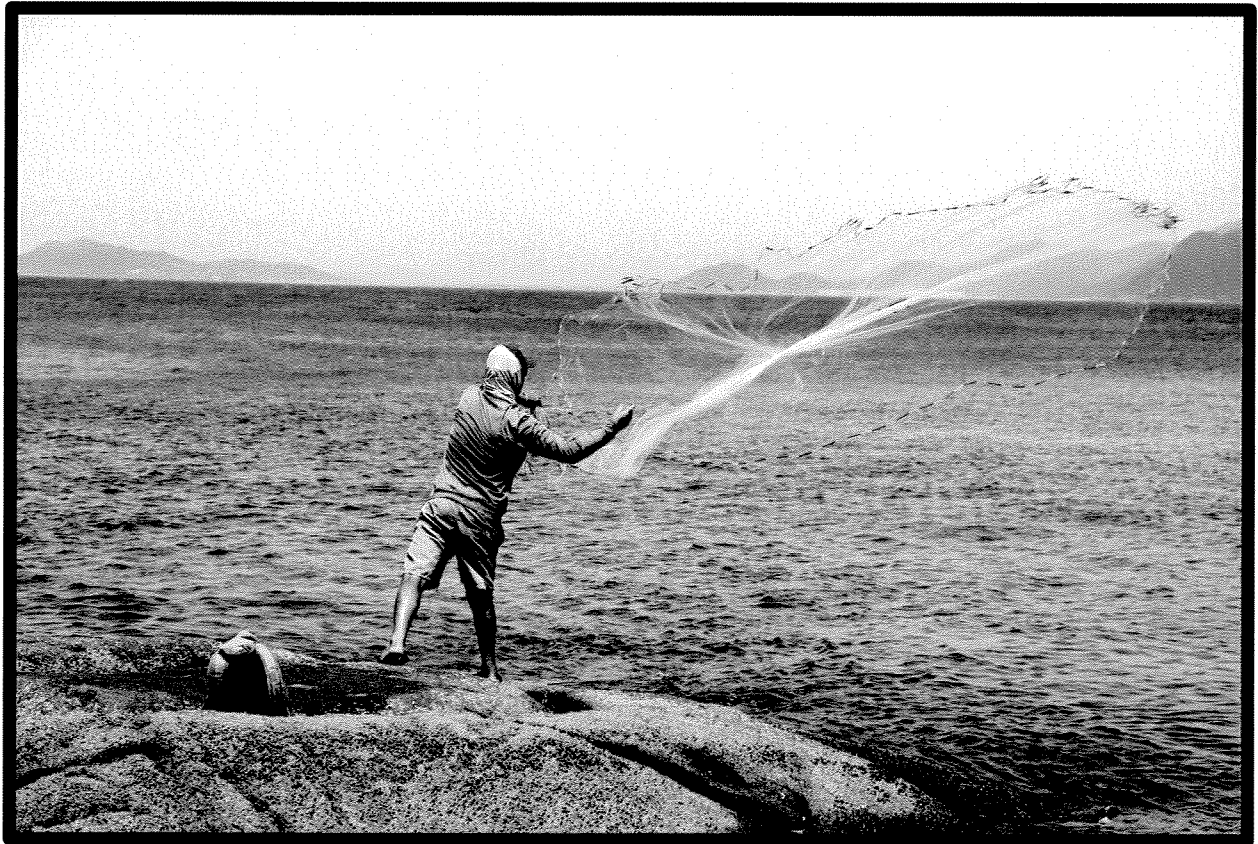


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* INDICATES TO PLEASE KNEEL OR STAND, AS YOU ARE ABLE

PRELUDE

ENTRANCE RITE

*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,
whose compassion endures forever.
Amen.

Let us confess our sin to God.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Compassionate God,
we confess to you all our sins. Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves. In your mercy, call us back to you. Your yoke is easy and your burden is light. Restore us to dwell in your peace. In Christ's name we pray,
Amen.

Jesus says, "Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest." In the name of God, Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Rest in God's love.
Amen.

*GATHERING SONG — ALL MY HOPE ON GOD IS FOUNDED ELW No. 757

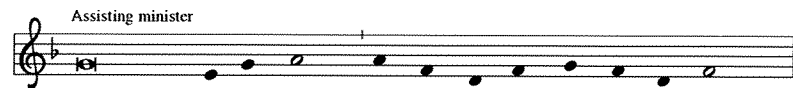
*GREETING

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.

*GLORIA

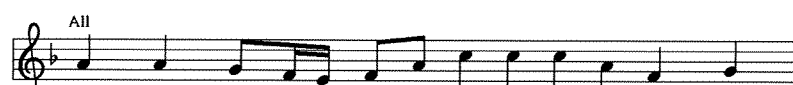
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Assisting minister



Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

All



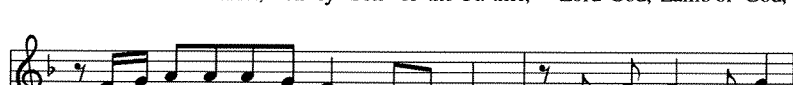
Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther,



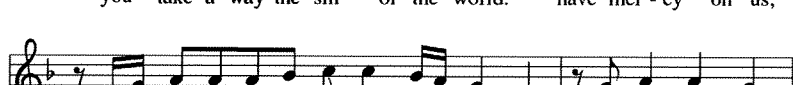
we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



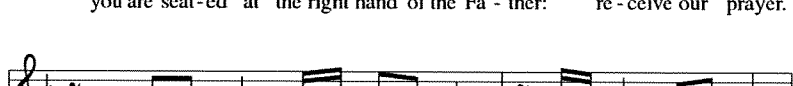
Lord Je-sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



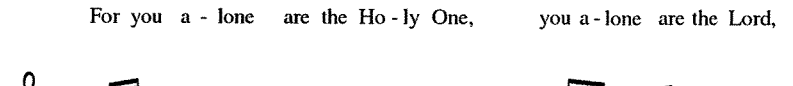
you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;



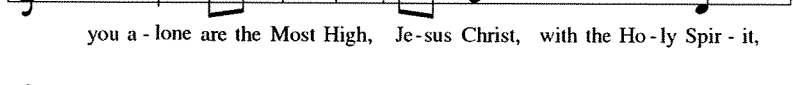
you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

Beloved and sovereign God, through the death and resurrection of your Son you bring us into your kingdom of justice and mercy. By your Spirit, give us your wisdom, that we may treasure the life that comes from Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

1 KINGS 3:1-15

A Reading from 1 Kings.

¹ Solomon made a marriage alliance with Pharaoh king of Egypt; he took Pharaoh's daughter and brought her into the city of David until he had finished building his own house and the house of the Lord and the wall around Jerusalem. ² The people were sacrificing at the high places, however, because no house had yet been built for the name of the Lord.

³ Solomon loved the Lord, walking in the statutes of his father David, except that he sacrificed and offered incense at the high places. ⁴ The king went to Gibeon to sacrifice there, for that was the principal high place; Solomon used to offer a thousand burnt offerings on that altar. ⁵ At Gibeon the Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream by night, and God said, "Ask what I should give you." ⁶ And Solomon said, "You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward you, and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love and have given him a son to sit on his throne today. ⁷ And now, O Lord my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. ⁸ And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. ⁹ Give your servant, therefore, an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil, for who can govern this great people of yours?"

¹⁰ It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. ¹¹ God said to him, "Because you have asked this and have not asked for yourself long life or riches or for the life of your enemies but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, ¹² I now do according to your word. Indeed, I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before you, and no one like you shall arise after you. ¹³ I give you also what you have not asked, both riches and honor all your life; no other king shall compare with you. ¹⁴ If you will walk in my ways, keeping my statutes and my commandments, as your father David walked, then I will lengthen your life."

¹⁵ Then Solomon awoke; it had been a dream. He came to Jerusalem, where he stood before the ark of the covenant of the Lord. He offered up burnt offerings and offerings of well-being and provided a feast for all his servants.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

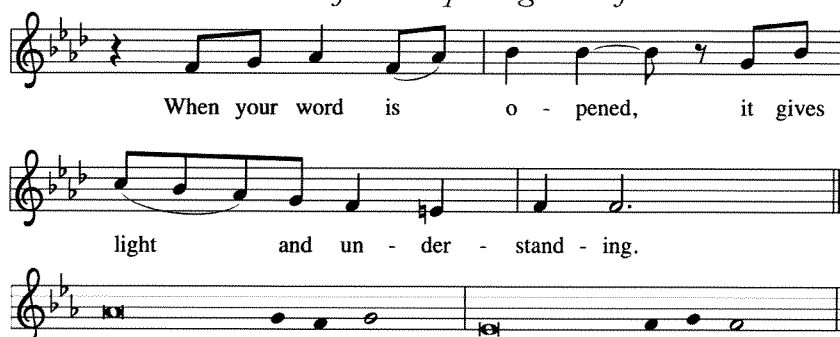
Silence for reflection follows the reading.

PSALM – SUNG RESPONSIVELY

PSALM 119:129-136

The Cantor introduces the refrain which is repeated by the Assembly.

All join in repeating the Refrain where indicated.



- ¹²⁹ Your de- | crees are wonderful;
therefore I obey them with | all my heart.
- ¹³⁰ **When your word is opened | it gives light;**
it gives understanding | to the simple.
- ¹³¹ I open my | mouth and pant
because I long for | your commandments.
- ¹³² **Turn to me and be gra- | cious to me,**
as you always do to those who | love your name. R
- ¹³³ Order my footsteps | in your word;
let no iniquity have dominion | over me.
- ¹³⁴ **Rescue me from those | who oppress me,**
and I will keep | your commandments.
- ¹³⁵ Let your face shine up- | on your servant
and teach | me your statutes.
- ¹³⁶ **My eyes shed | streams of tears,**
because people do not | keep your teaching. R

SECOND READING

ROMANS 8:26-39

A reading from Romans.

²⁶ The Spirit helps us in our weakness, for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with groanings too deep for words. ²⁷ And God, who searches hearts, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

²⁸ We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. ²⁹ For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. ³⁰ And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified.

³¹ What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? ³² He who did not withhold his own Son but gave him up for all of us, how will he not with him also give us everything else? ³³ Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. ³⁴ Who is to condemn? It is Christ who died, or rather, who was raised, who is also at the right hand of God, who also intercedes for us. ³⁵ Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will affliction or distress or persecution or famine or nakedness or peril or sword? ³⁶ As it is written, "For your sake we are being killed all day long; we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered."

³⁷ No, in all these things we are more than victorious through him who loved us. ³⁸ For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹ nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

The word of the Lord.

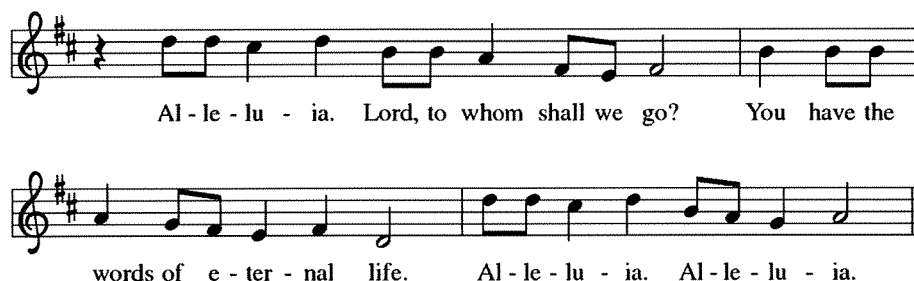
Thanks be to God.

Silence for reflection follows the reading.

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

The Cantor introduces the Gospel Acclamation which is repeated by the Assembly.

The verse is sung by the Cantor. All repeat the Acclamation following the verse.



Alleluia. Many will come from ¹ east and west* and will eat in the king- ¹ dom of heaven. *Alleluia.* (Matt. 8:11)

***GOSPEL READING**

MATTHEW 13:31-33,44-52

The holy gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

³¹ [Jesus] put before [the crowds] another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field;³² it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches."

³³ He told them another parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened.”

⁴⁴ “The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and reburied; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

⁴⁵ “Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; ⁴⁶ on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.

⁴⁷ “Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; ⁴⁸ when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. ⁴⁹ So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous ⁵⁰ and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

⁵¹ “Have you understood all this?” They answered, “Yes.” ⁵² And he said to them, “Therefore every scribe who has become a disciple in the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.”

The gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

THE REV. TIM SCHOLL

Silence for reflection follows the sermon

*HYMN OF THE DAY — JESUS, PRICELESS TREASURE

ELW NO. 775

*APOSTLES' CREED

ELW P. 105

*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

*After “God of grace,” congregation responds, “**Hear our prayer.**”*

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

*PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

OFFERING

An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need. During this time, the table is set. After the offering is gathered, the assembly stands. Bread, wine, money, and other gifts may be brought forward.

*HYMN AT THE PRESENTATION



This is Hymn No. 188 from *Evangelica Lutheran Worship*

Text: Psalm 51:11-13

Music: J. A. Freylinghausen (1670-1739), adapted

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray.

Loving God,

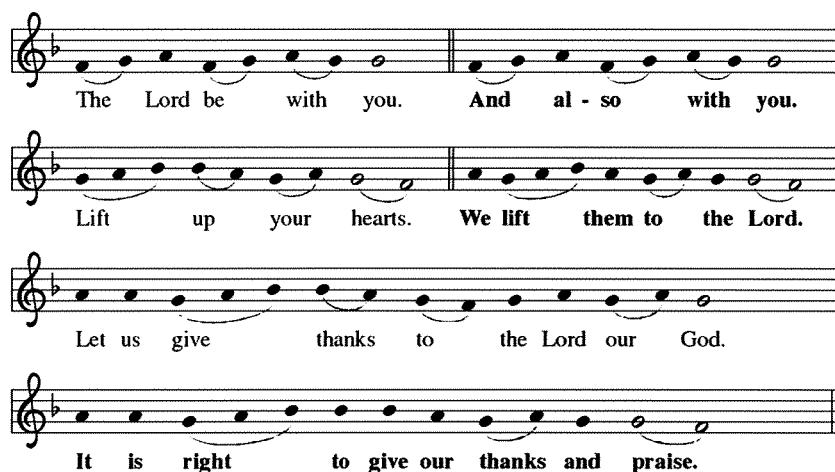
we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts. Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love, so that all creation can taste your abundance. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever.

Amen.

*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

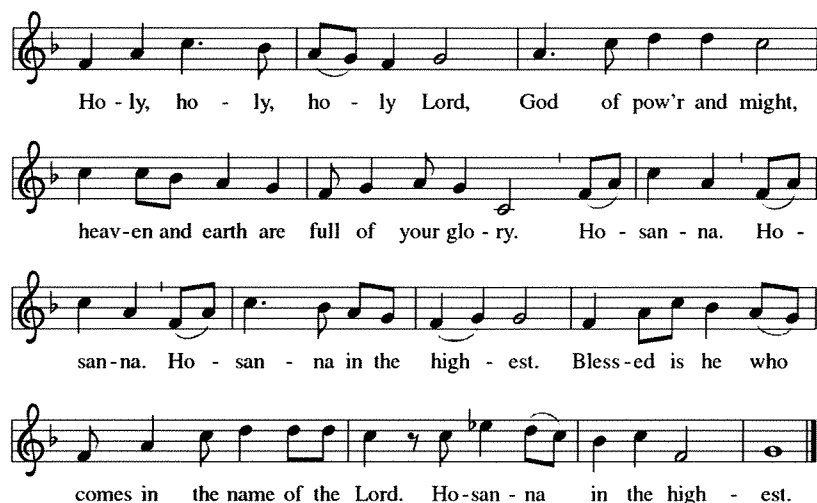
All who are baptized and believe with us that Christ is truly present in the bread and wine are invited to communion. Ushers will assist with the communion. Please pick up an empty cup from the small table at the altar rail to receive the wine. Baskets will be placed on either side to dispose of your cup. Individual communion kits will be available from the ushers for those who prefer them. We serve low-gluten bread. If you are unable to come to the Communion rail, please inform an usher and the ministers will bring Communion to you in your pew.

*DIALOGUE



*PREFACE

*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.

*EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

The presiding minister continues, using one of the following or another appropriate form.

God of our weary years, God of our silent tears,
you have brought us this far along the way.

In times of bitterness you did not abandon us,
but guided us into the path of love and light.

In every age you sent prophets
to make known your loving will for all humanity.

The cry of the poor has become your own cry;
our hunger and thirst for justice is your own desire.

In the fullness of time, you sent your chosen servant
to preach good news to the afflicted,
to break bread with the outcast and despised,
and to ransom those in bondage to prejudice and sin.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection,
we await the day when Jesus shall return
to free all the earth from the bonds of slavery and death.
Come, Lord Jesus! And let the church say, Amen.

Amen.

Send your Holy Spirit, our advocate,
to fill the hearts of all who share this bread and cup
with courage and wisdom to pursue love and justice in all the world.
Come, Spirit of freedom! And let the church say, Amen.

Amen.

Join our prayers and praise with your prophets and martyrs of every age,
that, rejoicing in the hope of the resurrection,
we might live in the freedom and hope of your Son.
Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

Amen.

*THE LORD'S PRAYER

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Presider

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Heaven has come near.
Come, share in the feast!

AGNUS DEI

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

MUSIC AT THE COMMUNION — COME TO THE WATER OF LIFE

1 All who are thirst - y for mer - cy, all who are thirst - y for
2 All who are thirst - y for heal - ing, all who are thirst - y for
3 All who are thirst - y for beau - ty, all who are thirst - y for
4 All who are thirst - y for jus - tice, all who are thirst - y for
love; all who are thirst - y for love, for mer - cy,
touch; all who are thirst - y for touch, for heal - ing,
truth; all who are thirst - y for truth, for beau - ty,
peace; all who are thirst - y for peace, for jus - tice,
come: come to the Wa - ter of life.
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Text: Ray Makeever, b. 1943

Music: WATER OF LIFE, Ray Makeever

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*TABLE BLESSING

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

Amen.

*POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.
Compassionate God,
through the gifts of bread and wine our hearts are filled with the abundance of
your love. Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal, may share your love
freely, as you have shared with us. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the
Spirit nourishing us now and forever.
Amen.

*BENEDICTION

Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer,
✠ one God,
bless, heal, and hold you
today and always.
Amen.

*SENDING HYMN — BE THOU MY VISION

ELW NO. 793

*DISMISSAL

Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news!
Thanks be to God.

*POSTLUDE

*You are invited to remain for the postlude that concludes our worship.
If you do not wish to stay, please be respectful of those who are listening.*

SERVING YOU TODAY

The assisting minister for the service is **Greg Hull**. The reader for the
service is **Marilyn Penvose**. The technology minister is **Nate Sears**. All
are sharing service on the altar guild.

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