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*In response to God's love for us, we **SERVE** God,
SUPPORT Christian fellowship,
And **SPREAD** the Good News of Jesus Christ to all people.*

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FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Order of Worship – 9:00 AM
Divine Service, Setting Three (LSB)

AS WE GATHER – *In today's Readings, James encourages us toward good works of service and love, and Jesus does the good work of healing by restoring a man's hearing and speech. Our faith in Jesus is marked by our reflection of His love and service. While we are not able to do all the things Jesus can do, we are called to reflect His faithful work as we serve in our vocations by loving our neighbors.*

PRESERVICE MUSIC “Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing” by Jeffrey Biersch

WELCOME

[♩] Means please stand; [♫] Means please be seated]

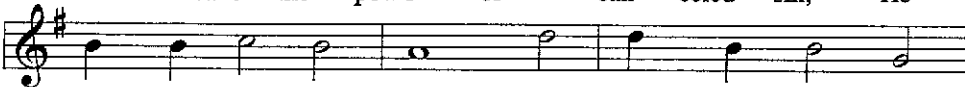
♩ OPENING HYMN

Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

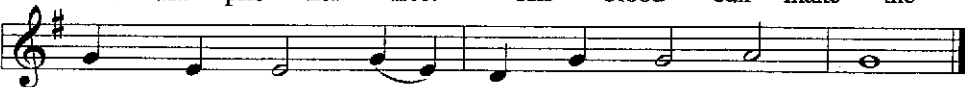
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1 Oh, for a thou - sand tongues to sing My
2 My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, As -
3 Je - sus! The name that charms our fears, That
4 He breaks the pow'r of can - celed sin; He



great Re - deem - er's praise, The glo - ries of my
sist me to pro - claim, To spread through all the
bids our sor - rows cease; 'Tis mu - sic in the
sets the pris - 'ner free. His blood can make the



God and King, The tri - umphs of His grace!
earth a - broad, The hon - ors of Thy name.
sin - ner's ears, 'Tis life and health and peace.
foul - est clean; His blood a - vails for me.

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5. Look unto Him, ye nations; own
Your God, ye fallen race.
Look and be saved through faith alone,
Be justified by grace.
6. See all your sins on Jesus laid;
The Lamb of God was slain.
His soul was once an offering made
For ev'ry soul of man.
7. To God all glory, praise, and love
Be now and ever giv'n
By saints below and saints above,
The Church in earth and heav'n.

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INVOCATION & OPENING SENTENCES

Based on Psalm 146

- P** *In the name of the Father and of the ✝ Son and of the Holy Spirit.*
- C** Amen.
- P** *Praise the LORD, O my soul!*
- C** I will praise the LORD as long as I live.
- P** *Blessed are those whose hope is in the LORD;*
- C** the LORD sets the prisoners free.
- P** *The LORD opens the eyes of the blind.*
- C** The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down.
- P** *The LORD upholds the widow and the fatherless.*
- C** The LORD will reign forever!

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

- 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. 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.


INTROIT

Psalm 28:1–2, 6–7; antiphon: v. 8

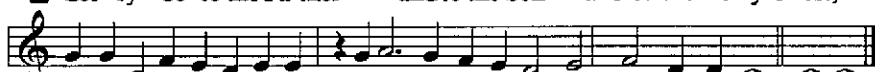
- P** *The LORD is the strength of his people;*
- C** he is the saving refuge of his anointed.
- P** *To you, O LORD, I call; my rock, be not deaf to me,*

- C** lest, if you be silent to me, I become like those who go down to the pit.
- P** Hear the voice of my pleas for mercy, when I cry to you for help,
- C** when I lift up my hands toward your most holy sanctuary.
- P** *Blessèd be the LORD!*
- C** For he has heard the voice of my pleas for mercy.
- P** *The LORD is my strength and my shield; in him my heart trusts, and I am helped;*
- C** my heart exults, and with my song I give thanks to him.

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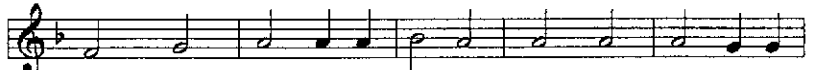


C Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost;

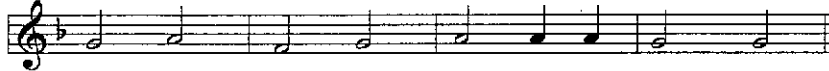


as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

KYRIE

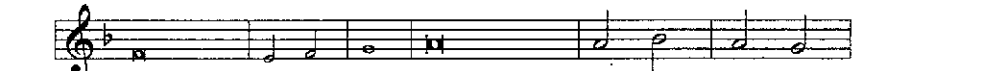


C Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -




on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.


GLORIA IN EXCELSIS



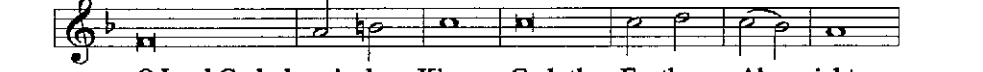
C: **P** Glory be to God on high; **C** and on earth peace, good - will toward



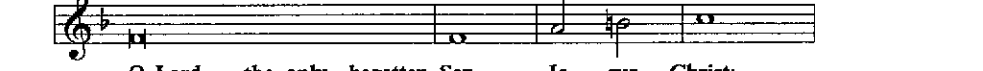
men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,




we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.



O Lord God, heav'n - ly King, God the Fa - ther Al - mighty.



O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;



O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

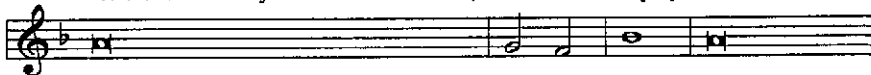
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that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us.



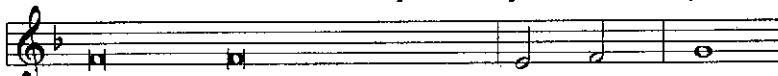
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.



Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up-



on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on-ly art the Lord.



Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho-ly Ghost,



art most high in the glory of God the Father. A-men.

SALUTATION & COLLECT OF THE DAY

P *The Lord be with you.*



R And with thy spir - it.

P *Let us pray.*

All: O Lord, let Your merciful ears be open to the prayers of Your humble servants and grant that what they ask may be in accord with Your gracious will; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 35:4-7a

(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

A *This is the Word of the Lord.*

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE

James 2:1-10, 14-18

(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

A *This is the Word of the Lord.*

C Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA



C Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 7:31-37

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the seventh chapter.



G Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



G Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

HYMN OF THE DAY

Praise the Almighty

LSB 797



1 Praise the Al - might - y, my soul, a - dore Him!
 2 Trust not in rul - ers; they are but mor - tal;
 3 Bless - ed, oh, bless - ed are they for - ev - er
 4 Pen - i - tent sin - ners, for mer - cy cry - ing,
 Δ 5 Praise, all you peo - ple, the name so ho - ly



Yes, I will laud Him un - til death; With songs and
 Earth - born they are and soon de - cay. Vain are their
 Whose help is from the Lord Most High, Whom from sal -
 Par - don and peace from Him ob - tain; Ev - er the
 Of Him who does such won - drous things! All that has



an - thems I come be - fore Him As long as
 coun - sels at life's last por - tal, When the dark
 va - tion can noth - ing sev - er, And who in
 wants of the poor sup - ply - ing, Their faith - ful
 be - ing, to praise Him sole - ly, With hap - py



He al - lows me breath. From Him my life and
 grave en - gulfs its prey. Since mor - tals can no
 hope to Christ draw nigh. To all who trust in
 God He will re - main. He helps His chil - dren
 heart its a - men sings. Chil - dren of God, with

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all things came; Bless, O my soul, His ho - ly name.
 help af - ford, Place all your trust in Christ, our Lord.
 Him, our Lord Will aid and coun - sel now af - ford.
 in dis - tress, The wid - ows and the fa - ther - less.
 an - gel host Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost!



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Amen.

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SERMON *“HE HAS DONE ALL THINGS WELL”* **Mark 7:31-37**

- I. We often link popularity with success.
- II. But Jesus often shuns popularity and crowds, wanting to show concern to individuals.

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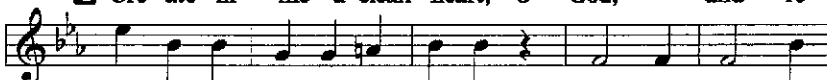
C I believe in One God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in One Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us 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 worshipped 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.

POFFERING *“Voluntary”* **by Don Louis Milan**

OFFERTORY *Create in Me A Clean Heart, O God*



C Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -



new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -



way from Thy pres-ence, and take not Thy Ho-ly Spir-it
 from me. Re-store un-to me the joy of Thy sal-va-
 tion, and up-hold me with Thy free spir-it. A-men.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- P** Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs. Lord of all nations, grant us grace **C** to love all people in every place.
- P** For all the nations of the world, their leaders and residents, that peace may reign and that the Church would be a faithful witness of Jesus' love and service in every place. Lord of all nations, grant us grace **C** to love all people in every place.
- P** For all those who work in the service of others, that their work might be blessed by God and appreciated by others. Lord of all nations, grant us grace **C** to love all people in every place.
- P** For all those who mourn the death of loved ones, we pray for comfort in the face of grief. Grant that all those who mourn find hope in the resurrection to eternal life with Jesus. Lord of all nations, grant us grace **C** to love all people in every place.
- P** For all those who have abandoned the faith, Lord, that they would once again hear Your Word and receive Your good gifts. Lord of all nations, grant us grace **C** to love all people in every place.
- P** For all Christians throughout the world, that their faith and good works would overflow as a blessing to many others. Lord of all nations, grant us grace **C** to love all people in every place.
- P** For all those with disabilities, Lord, that we might treat them with more thoughtfulness and care, serving them as Your beloved people. Lord of all nations, grant us grace **C** to love all people in every place.
- P** For all who are sick, injured, preparing for surgery, and recovering, [especially . . .], that God would grant them healing according to His good and gracious will. Lord of all nations, grant us grace, **C** to love all people in every place.
- P** Lord, into Your hands we place all these things, knowing that You hear us and remain faithful. **C** Amen.

PREFACE

- P** The Lord be with you.



C And with thy spir-it.

- P** Lift up your hearts.



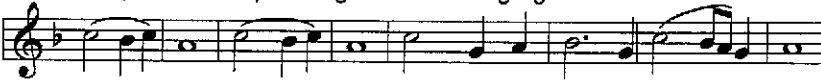
C We lift them up un - to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

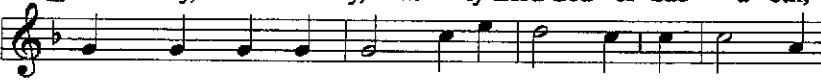


C It is meet and right so to do.

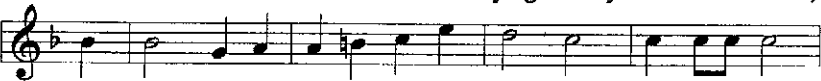
P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, Holy Lord, Almighty Father, Everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. He opens the eyes of the blind and the ears of the deaf and brings healing to all the nations. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,



bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.



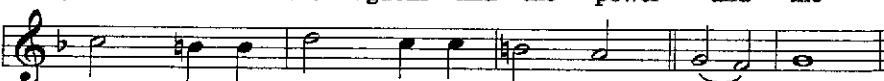
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

LORD'S PRAYER

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.



C For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the



glo - ry for - ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PAX DOMINI

☐ *The peace of the Lord be with you always.*



☐ A - - - - - men.

AGNUS DEI

Lamb of God

☐ O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. A - - - - - men.

Reminder: gluten free wafer (by holding up an index finger to the elder), and non-alcoholic wine (the white grape juice in the center) are also available.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

Hope of the World

LSB 690



1 Hope of the world, Thou Christ of great com - pas - sion;
 2 Hope of the world, God's gift from high - est heav - en,
 3 Hope of the world, a - foot on dust - y high - ways,
 4 Hope of the world, who by Thy cross didst save us
 5 Hope of the world, O Christ, o'er death vic - to - rious,



Speak to our fear - ful hearts by con - flict rent.
 Bring - ing to hun - gry souls the bread of life,
 Show - ing to wan - d'ring souls the path of light,
 From death and dark de - spair, from sin and guilt,
 Who by this sign didst con - quer grief and pain,

(continued)



Save us, Thy peo - ple, from con - sum - ing pas - sion,
 Still let Thy Spir - it un - to us be giv - en
 Walk Thou be - side us lest the tempt - ing by - ways
 We ren - der back the love Thy mer - cy gave us;
 We would be faith - ful to Thy Gos - pel glo - rious.

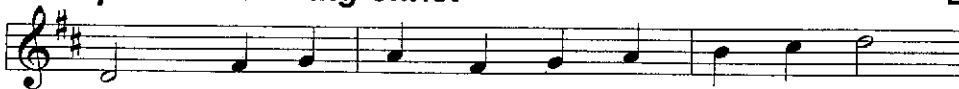


Who by our own false hopes and aims are spent.
 To heal earth's wounds and end our bit - ter strife.
 Lure us a - way from Thee to end - less night.
 Take Thou our lives and use them as Thou wilt.
 Thou art our Lord! Thou dost for - ev - er reign!

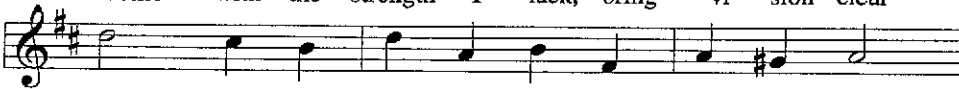
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Eternal Spirit of the Living Christ

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1 E - ter - nal Spir - it of the liv - ing Christ,
 2 Come, pray in me the prayer I need this day;
 3 Come with the strength I lack, bring vi - sion clear



I know not how to ask or what to say;
 Help me to see Your pur - pose and Your will—
 Of hu - man need; O give me eyes to see



I on - ly know my need, as deep as life,
 Where I have failed, what I have done a - miss;
 Ful - fill - ment of my life in love out-poured,

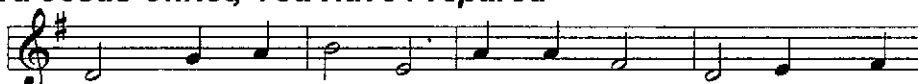


And on - ly You can teach me how to pray.
 Held in for - giv - ing love, let me be still.
 My life in You, O Christ; Your love in me.

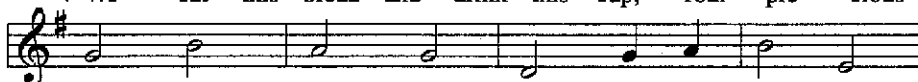
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Lord Jesus Christ, You Have Prepared

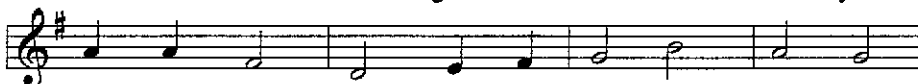
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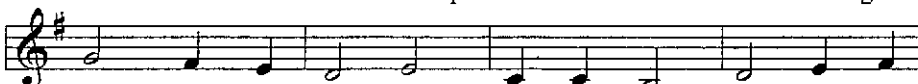
1 Lord Je - sus Christ, You have pre - pared This feast for
 2 Al - though You did to heav'n as - cend, Where an - gel
 3 Yet, Sav - ior, You are not con - fined To an - y
 4 We eat this bread and drink this cup, Your pre - cious



our sal - va - tion; It is Your bod - y
 hosts are dwell - ing, And in Your pres - ence
 hab - i - ta - tion; But You are pres - ent
 Word be - liev - ing That Your true bod - y



and Your blood, And at Your in - vi - ta - tion
 they be - hold Your glo - ry, all ex - cel - ling,
 e - ven now Here with Your con - gre - ga - tion.
 and Your blood Our lips are here re - ceiv - ing.



As wea - ry souls, with sin op - pressed, We come to
 And though Your peo - ple shall not see Your glo - ry
 Firm as a rock this truth shall stand, Un - moved by
 This Word re - mains for - ev - er true, All things are



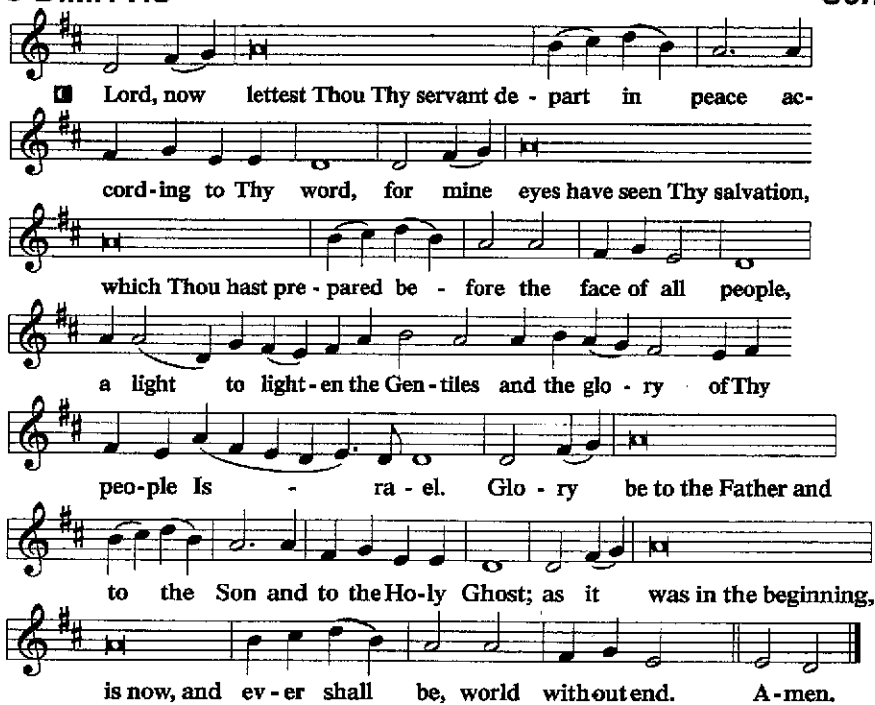
You for need - ed rest, For com - fort, and for par - don.
 and Your maj - es - ty Till dawns the judg - ment morn - ing,
 an - y dar - ing hand Or sub - tle craft and cun - ning.
 pos - si - ble with You, For You are Lord Al - might - y.

5. Though reason cannot understand,
 Yet faith this truth embraces:
 Your body, Lord, is even now
 At once in many places.
 I leave to You how this can be;
 Your Word alone suffices me;
 I trust its truth unfailling.
6. Lord, I believe what You have said;
 Help me when doubts assail me.
 Remember that I am but dust,
 And let my faith not fail me.
 Your supper in this vale of tears
 Refreshes me and stills my fears
 And is my priceless treasure.
7. Grant that we worthily receive
 Your supper, Lord, our Savior,
 And, truly grieving for our sins,
 May prove by our behavior
 That we are thankful for Your grace
 And day by day may run our race,
 In holiness increasing.
8. For Your consoling supper, Lord,
 Be praised throughout all ages!
 Preserve it, for in ev'ry place
 The world against it rages.
 Grant that this sacrament may be
 A blessèd comfort unto me
 When living and when dying.

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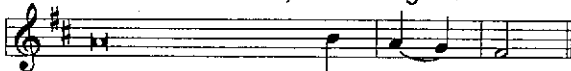
Song of Simeon



¶ Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac -
cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,
which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,
a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy
peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and
to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ev - er shall be, world without end. A - men.

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

¶ *O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good.*



¶ and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

¶ *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.*



¶ A - men.

SALUTATION & BENEDICAMUS

¶ *The Lord be with you.*



¶ And with thy spir - it.

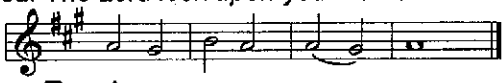
¶ *Bless we the Lord.*



¶ Thanks be to God.

BENEDICTION

P *The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you His peace.* Numbers 6:24-26



A A-men, a-men, a - men.

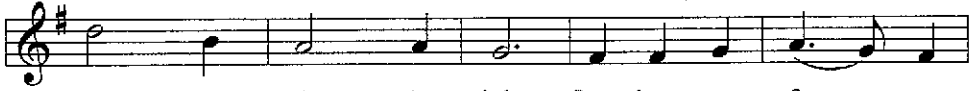
CLOSING HYMN

O Christ, Our True and Only Light

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1 O Christ, our true and on - ly light, En - light - en
 2 Fill with the ra - diance of Your grace The souls now
 3 O gent - ly call those gone a - stray That they may
 4 Shine on the dark - ened and the cold; Re - call the
 5 That they with us may ev - er - more Such grace with



those who sit in night; Let those a - far now
 lost in er - ror's maze; En - light - en those whose
 find the sav - ing way! Let ev - 'ry con - science
 wan - d'ers to Your fold. U - nite all those who
 won - d'ring thanks a - dore And end - less praise to



hear Your voice And in Your fold with us re - joice.
 in - most minds Some dark de - lu - sion haunts and blinds.
 sore op - pressed In You find peace and heav'n - ly rest.
 walk a - part; Con - firm the weak and doubt - ing heart,
 You be giv'n By all Your Church in earth and heav'n.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE

"Gavotte in B^b"

by G. F. Handel

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