Reformation Sunday
October 25, 2026

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657 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

sts. 1–4

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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 If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

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

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen.**

Service of the Word

Introit *Psalm 34:1–2, 11, 22; antiphon: Psalm 119:46*

I will speak of your testimonies before kings, [O Lord,]
and shall not be put to shame.
I will bless the LORD at all times;
his praise shall continually be in my mouth.
My soul makes its boast in the LORD;
let the humble hear and be glad.
Come, O children, listen to me;
I will teach you the fear of the LORD.
The LORD redeems the life of his servants;
none of those who take refuge in him will be condemned.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen.
I will speak of your testimonies before kings, | [O Lord,]
and shall not be put to shame.

Kyrie *LSB 152 Mark 10:47*

A In peace let us pray to the Lord.
C **Lord, have mercy.**
A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.
C **Lord, have mercy.**
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.
C **Lord, have mercy.**
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.
C **Lord, have mercy.**
A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
C **Amen.**

This Is the Feast

LSB 155 Revelation 5:12–13; 19:5–9

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.
C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.
Almighty and gracious Lord, pour out Your Holy Spirit on Your faithful people. Keep us steadfast in Your grace and truth, protect and deliver us in times of temptation, defend us against all enemies, and grant to Your Church Your saving peace; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C **Amen.**

First Reading *Revelation 14:6–7*

6 Then I saw another angel flying directly overhead, with an eternal gospel to
proclaim to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language
and people. 7 And he said with a loud voice, "Fear God and give him glory,
because the hour of his judgment has come, and worship him who made
heaven and earth, the sea and the springs of water."

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

VOCAL CHOIR: "With Glory, Honor, and Praise"
Words by Don Besig & Nancy Price
Music by Don Besig

Epistle *Romans 3:19–28*

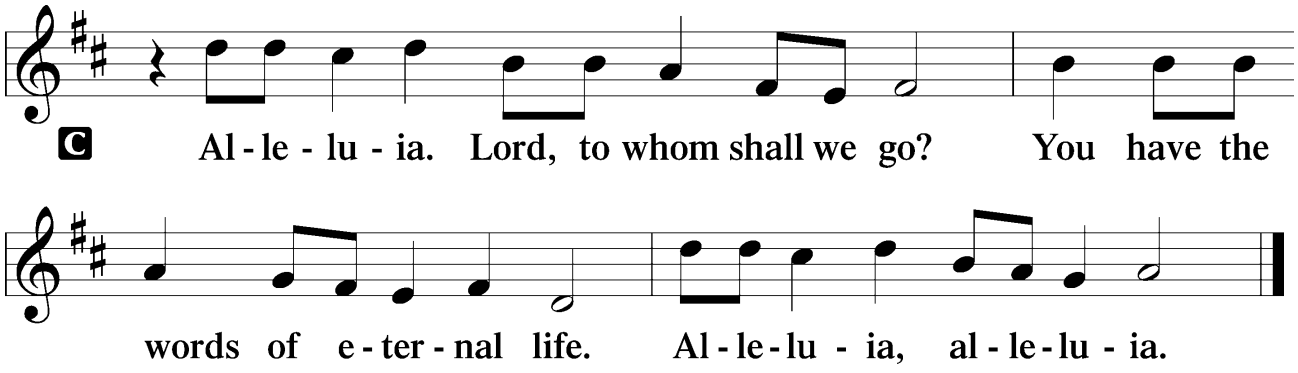
[19]Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. [20]For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin.

[21]But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— [22]the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: [23]for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, [24]and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, [25]whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. [26]It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.

[27]Then what becomes of our boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? By a law of works? No, but by the law of faith. [28]For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.

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

Alleluia and Verse *LSB 156 John 6:68*



Holy Gospel *John 8:31–36*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the eighth chapter.
C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

31So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you abide in my
word, you are truly my disciples, 32and you will know the truth, and the truth
will set you free." 33They answered him, "We are offspring of Abraham and
have never been enslaved to anyone. How is it that you say, 'You will become
free'?"
34Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who commits
sin is a slave to sin. 35The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son
remains forever. 36So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed."

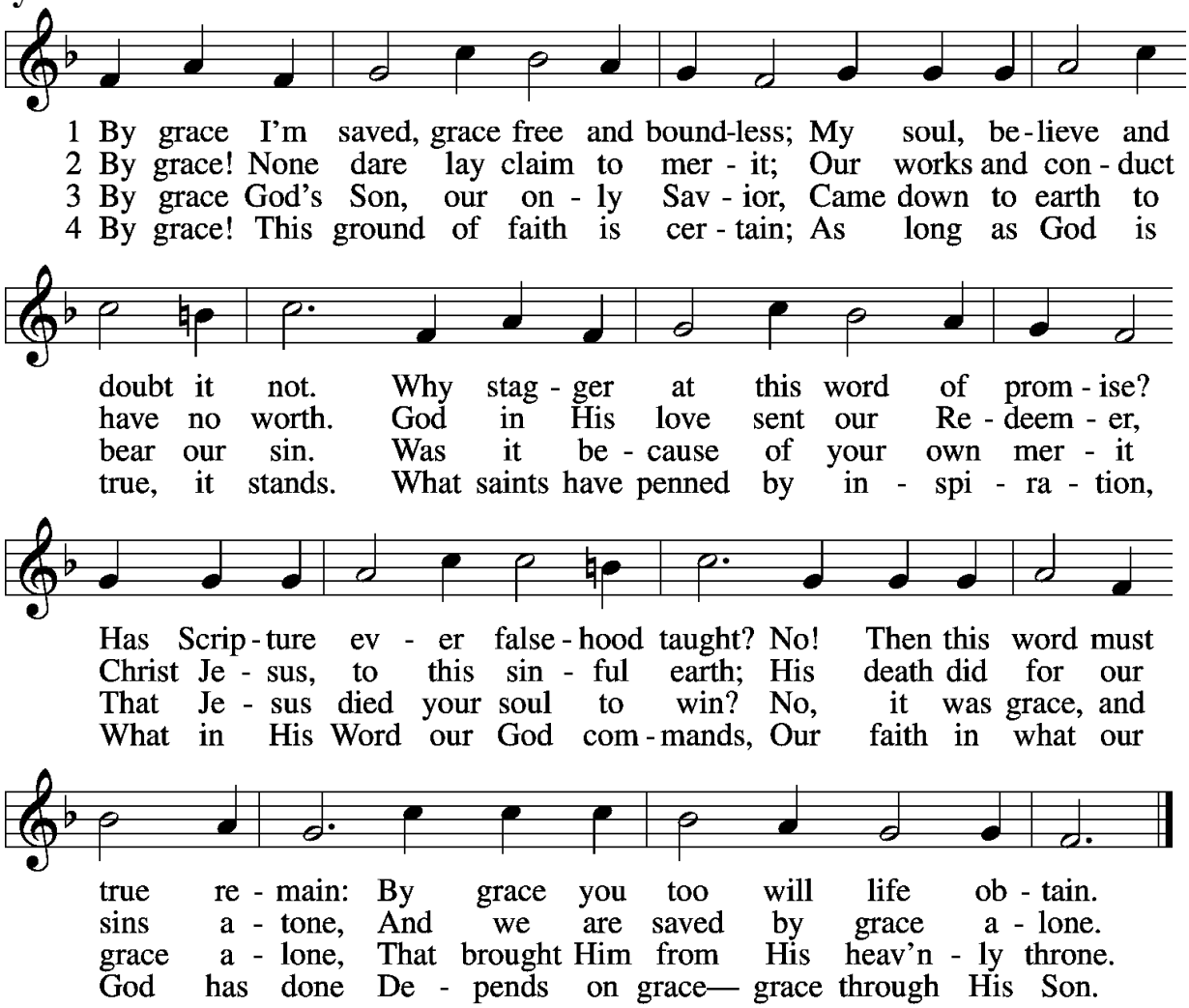
P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Formula of Concord Article III.2 & 3

2. We believe, teach, and confess [that] our righteousness before God is this: God forgives our sins out of pure grace, without any work, merit, or worthiness in ours preceding, present, or following. He presents and credits to us the righteousness of Christ's obedience. Because of this righteousness, we are received into grace by God and regarded as righteous.

3. We believe, teach, and confess that faith alone is the means and instrument through which we lay hold of Christ. So in Christ we lay hold of that righteousness that benefits us before God, for whose sake this faith is credited to us for righteousness.

566 By Grace I'm Saved



5 By grace to timid hearts that tremble,
In tribulation's furnace tried,
By grace, in spite of fear and trouble,
The Father's heart is open wide.
Where could I help and strength secure
If grace were not my anchor sure?

6 By grace! On this I'll rest when dying;
In Jesus' promise I rejoice;
For though I know my heart's condition,
I also know my Savior's voice.
My heart is glad, all grief has flown
Since I am saved by grace alone.

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Sermon

Prayer of the Church

P Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Loving Father, though we deserve Your righteous wrath and punishment, for the sake of Your Son do not remember our sins, but defend us from all harm and danger of body and soul and be our very present help in time of need. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Gracious God, You have renewed Your Church in every age with the voices of those who recall Your people to the Gospel and who speak Your Word in all circumstances. Receive our thanks for Martin Luther and those who contended for the Gospel against many and great enemies. Make us bold, that we would also contend for the faith against those who would silence our voices or distract Your people from the one true Gospel of the crucified and risen Christ. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Heavenly Father, bless the faithful proclamation of Christ's saving name throughout the world, that Your people's faith may be strengthened and Your kingdom extended. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Lord, make us truly Your disciples. Keep us in Your Word, free us from all errors, and make our homes and families peaceful. Preserve all fathers and encourage them for their godly task, that children would be brought up in the fear and instruction of the Lord. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P God of grace, do not let Your people fear though the earth gives way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea. Rescue all people in need, *[especially _____,]* and comfort them with the promise that You are with them. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P O Lord, our God, You have given us the certainty of sins forgiven in Your Son, set forth as the propitiation by His blood to be received by faith. So lead us to eat and drink Your holy body and precious blood in repentance and faith, now and always. Lord, in Your mercy,

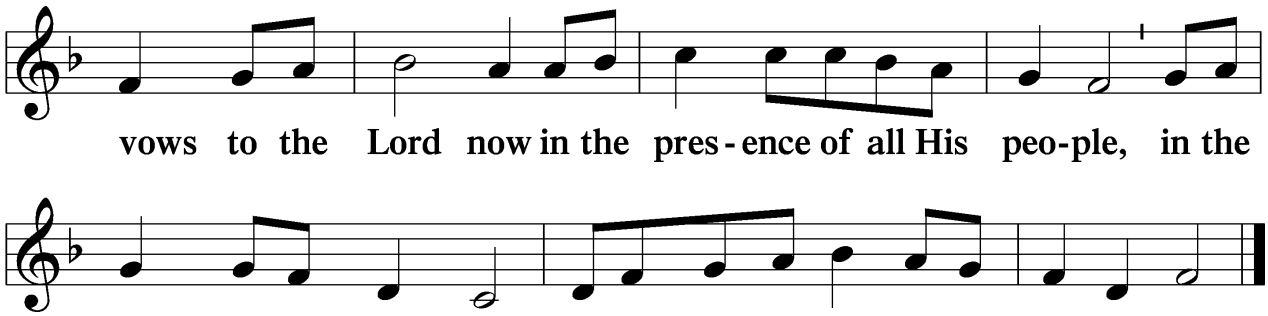
C **hear our prayer.**

P Preserve Your Church, O Lord, and each of us as members of Christ's Body, that we may not surrender the true Gospel for any reason, but be kept in this faith and fear throughout the days of our earthly pilgrimage, until that day when we and all Your people shall stand before the judgment seat of Christ to receive the reward You have prepared for us and all who have loved His appearing; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

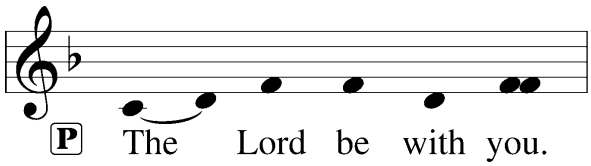
Following the prayers, the people may greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "Peace be with you," as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Matt. 5:22–24; Eph. 4:1–3).

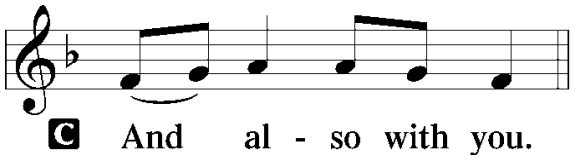
Offertory *LSB 159 Psalm 116:12–13, 17–19*

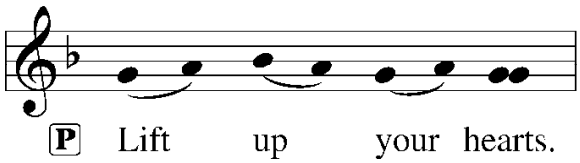


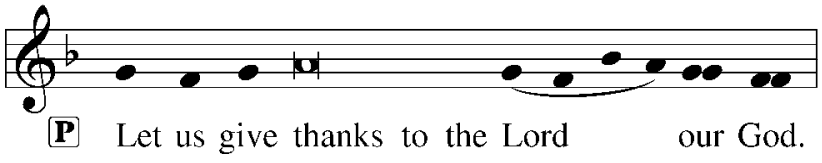
Service of the Sacrament

Preface *LSB 160 2 Timothy 4:22; [Colossians 3:1]; [Psalm 136]*



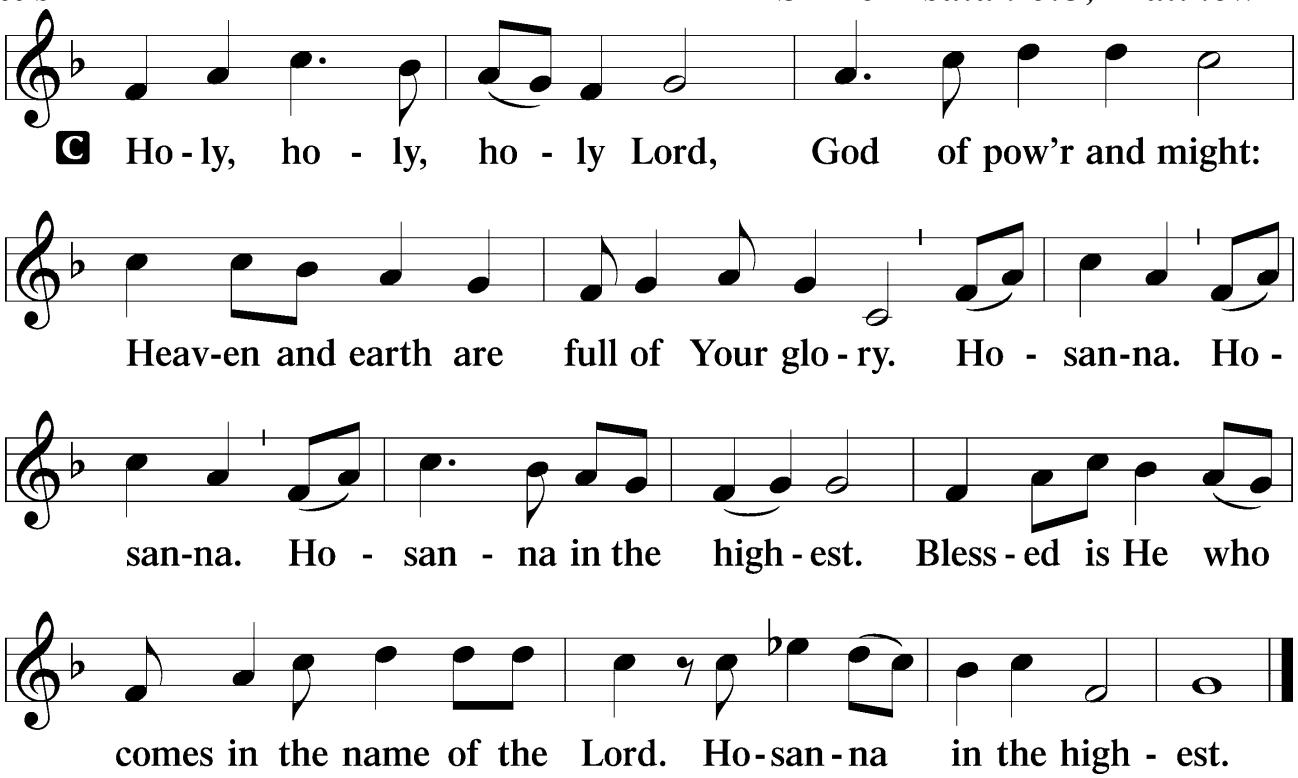






It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus *LSB 161 Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9*



Prayer of Thanksgiving *LSB 161*

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and

preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

The Words of Our Lord

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

C **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

P O Lord Jesus Christ, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

Lord's Prayer

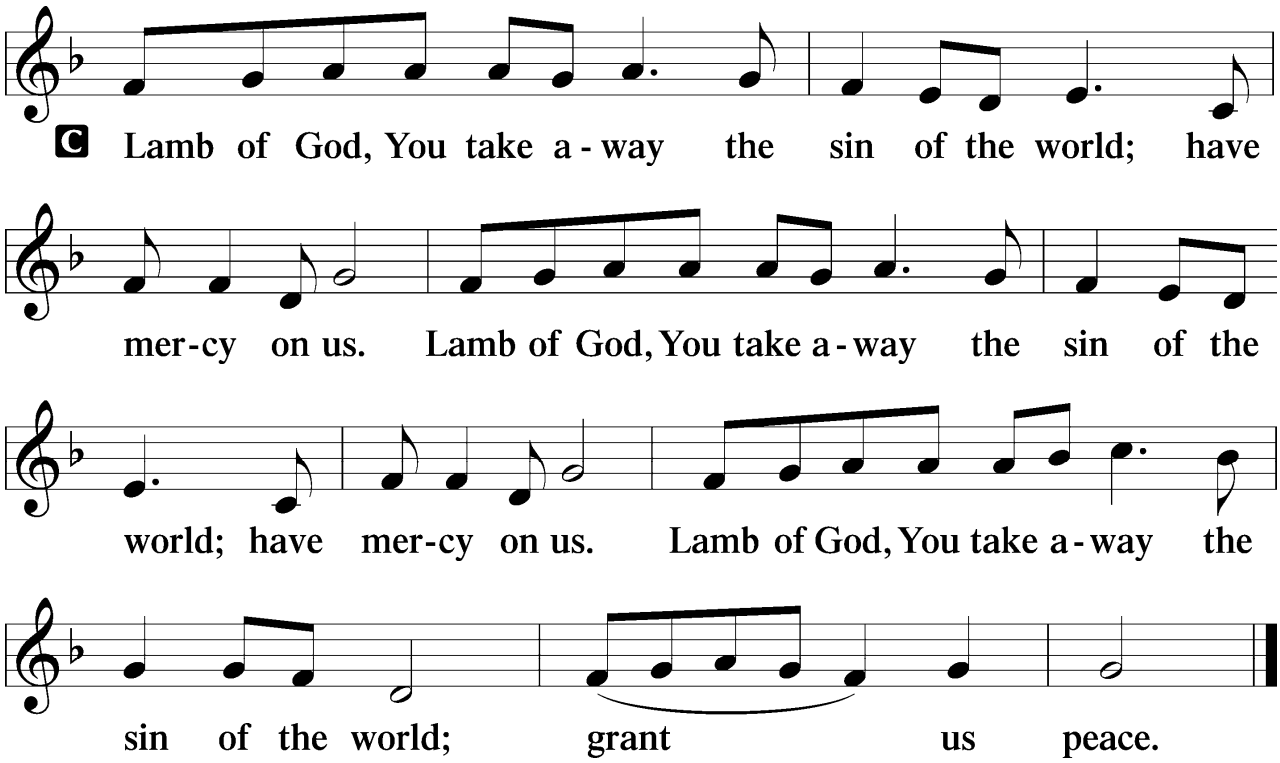
C **Our Father who art in heaven,**
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth
as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.

Pax Domini *LSB 163 John 20:19*

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **Amen.**

Agnus Dei *LSB 163 John 1:29*



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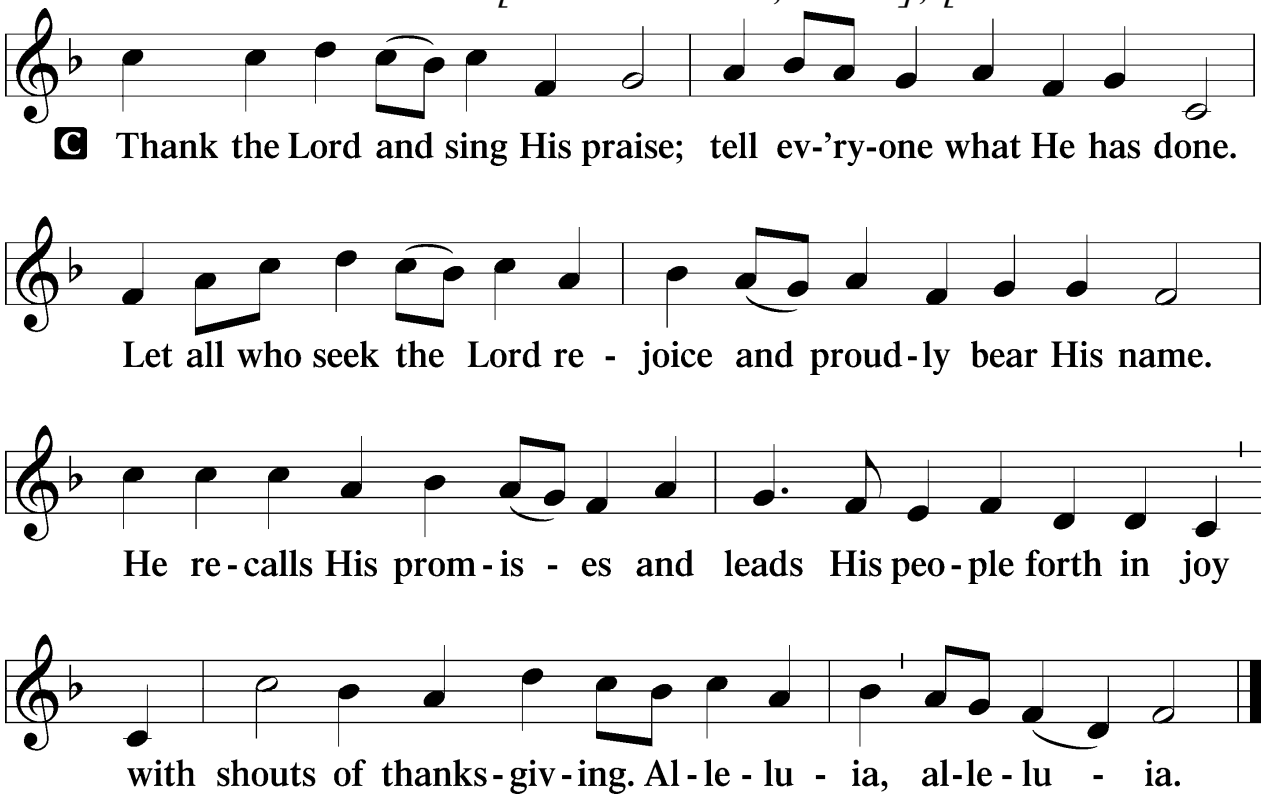
Thank the Lord *LSB 164 [Psalm 105:1–3, 42–43]; [1 Chronicles 16:8–10]*



Post-Communion Collect

A 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.

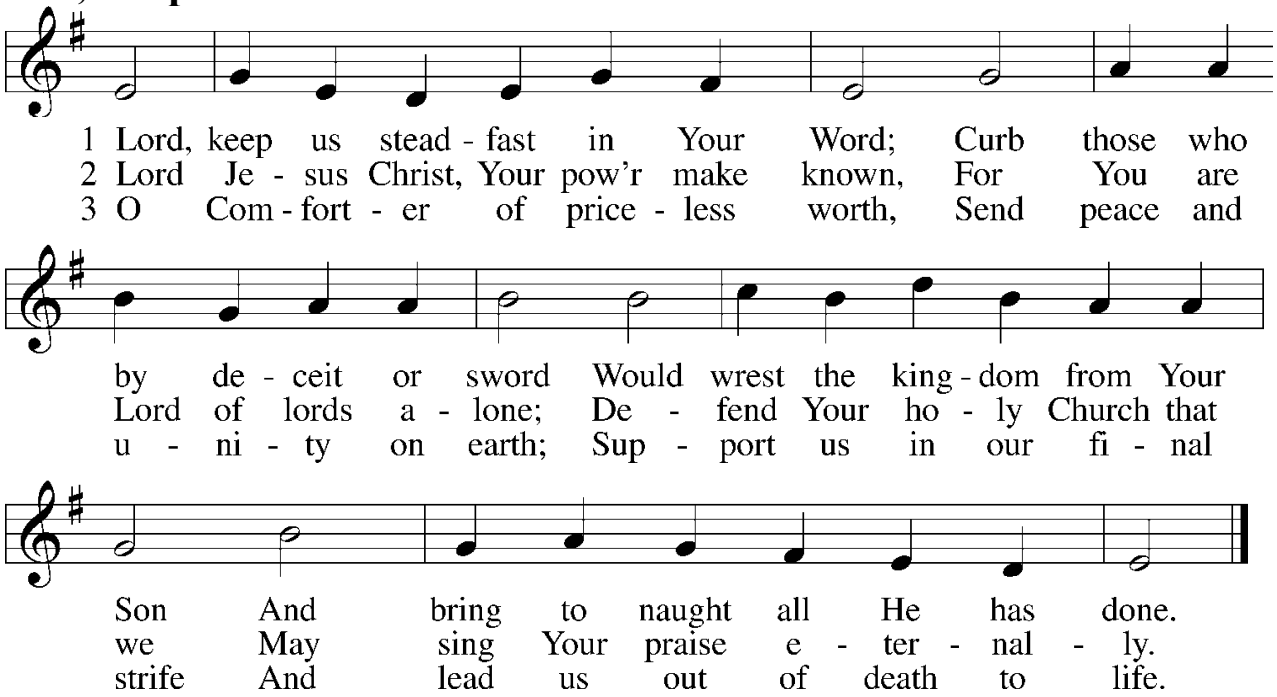
C **Amen.**

Benediction *LSB 166 Numbers 6:24–26*

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C **Amen.**

655 Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word



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Altar Guild:	Judy Blade
Ushers:	Tim Hovet & Tammy Smith
Video Recorder:	Tammy Smith

SERVING IN FELLOWSHIP

In honor of Barbara McCarty's 90th birthday, the McCarty family will be providing cupcakes and cookies during Fellowship. Please join in the celebration!

Altar flowers today are provided by the Ziegler family in honor of the babies gone too soon. October is Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness month, so we remember and honor our very own Grace Lutheran babies in heaven: Taylor, Ruby, Ryan, and Lily. We also honor all other precious babies gone too soon. May our loving Lord wrap them in his arms until our joyous reunion.

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Grace Lutheran Church

A Communion Statement

We believe, teach, and confess the Lord's Supper is given for those who believe in the Triune God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. We believe that Jesus Christ died for our sins and by faith, our sins are forgiven. We believe that the Lord's Supper delivers what God has promised in Jesus: forgiveness of sins, the promise of eternal life, and salvation. Through the Lord's Supper, our faith is strengthened, and by the Holy Spirit, we live our lives as followers of Jesus.

All are welcome to come forward. If you will not be taking the Lord's Supper but would like to receive a blessing, please cross your arms in front of you. If you are unable to come up to the altar because of physical limitations, please let an usher know and you will be served where you are seated.

Who should refrain from taking the Lord's Supper today?

- You have not been baptized with a Christian baptism.
- You do not believe in God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit.
- You have no desire to repent of or turn from your sins.
- You are a member of a church/denomination/organization that believes, teaches, and confesses differently regarding the Lord's Supper than is outlined above.

Any questions you may have regarding the above statement and our communion practices can be directed to Pastor Joe Baumgarten at pastor@glchurch.org