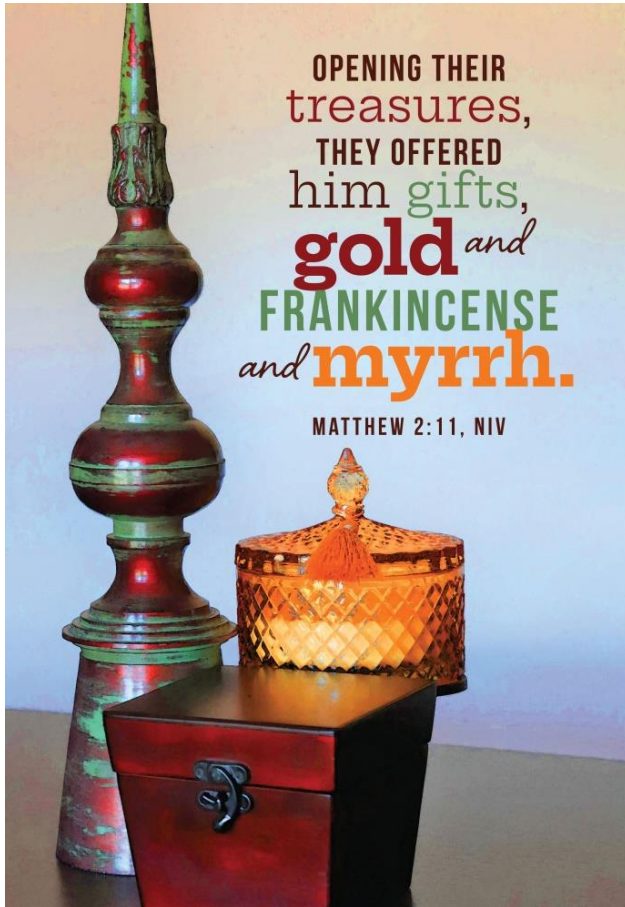


January 8, 2023

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OPENING THEIR  
treasures,  
THEY OFFERED  
him gifts,  
**gold** and  
**FRANKINCENSE**  
and **myrrh.**

MATTHEW 2:11, NIV



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## WELCOME

## PRELUDE

## INVOCATION

*Stand*

**P** In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen.**

**P** Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **C Amen.**

## WORDS OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

*Kneel/ Remain Standing*

**P** Most merciful God,

**C We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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 us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen.**

*Stand*

## GREETING OF PEACE

*As you greet others, please be mindful of those who do not wish to shake hands. Other options while saying "Peace be with you/ And also with you" is to place your hand on your heart, to bow or, a head nod.*

## SERVICE OF THE WORD

### HYMN “Shine Jesus Shine”

*Refrain*

Shine, Je - sus, shine, fill this land with the Fa - ther's glo - ry;

blaze, Spir - it, blaze, set our hearts on fire.

Flow, riv - er, flow, flood the na - tions with love and mer - cy;

send forth your Word, Lord, and let there be light!

*To stanzas* *End*

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Music: Graham Kendrick  
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SHINE, JESUS, SHINE  
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- 4

**C**  Lord, have mer - cy.

**P** For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

**C**  Lord, have mer - cy.

**P** 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 mer - cy.

**P** For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

**C**  Lord, have mer - cy.

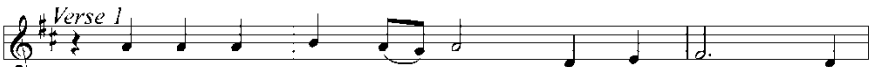
**P** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.


**C**  A - - - men.

## HYMN OF PRAISE

*Refrain*  (intro.) This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.

 Al-le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. *Go to Verses*

*Verse 1*  Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Sing the Refrain*

*Verse 2*  Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his. *Sing the Refrain*

*Verse 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. *Sing the Refrain*

*Verse 4*

For the Lamb who was slain has be -  
 gun his reign. Al - le - lu - - - ia. *continue below*

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

**P** O God, by the leading of a star You made known Your only-begotten Son to the Gentiles. Lead us, who know You by faith, to enjoy in heaven the fullness of Your divine presence; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who live and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, on God, now and forever. **C** Amen.

*Sit*

*Children are invited to the Fireside Lounge for the Children's Lesson.*

## SCRIPTURE LESSON 1 Samuel 16:1-13

**R** The LORD said to Samuel, 'How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons.' Samuel said, 'How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me.' And the LORD said, 'Take a heifer with you, and say, "I have come to sacrifice to the LORD." Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me

the one whom I name to you.’ Samuel did what the LORD commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, ‘Do you come peaceably?’ He said, ‘Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the LORD; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice.’ And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, ‘Surely the LORD’s anointed is now before the LORD.’ But the LORD said to Samuel, ‘Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the LORD does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart.’ Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, ‘Neither has the LORD chosen this one.’ Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, ‘Neither has the LORD chosen this one.’ Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, ‘The LORD has not chosen any of these.’ Samuel said to Jesse, ‘Are all your sons here?’ And he said, ‘There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep.’ And Samuel said to Jesse, ‘Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here.’ He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The LORD said, ‘Rise and anoint him; for this is the one.’ Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the LORD came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

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

*Stand*

*intro: one chord*

**C** 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.

## APOSTLES’ CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.**

**The third day He rose again from the dead.**

**He ascended into heaven,**

**And sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.**

**From thence He will come again 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.

**MESSAGE**      **“An Unexpected Choice”** 1 Samuel 16:1-13

*Stand*

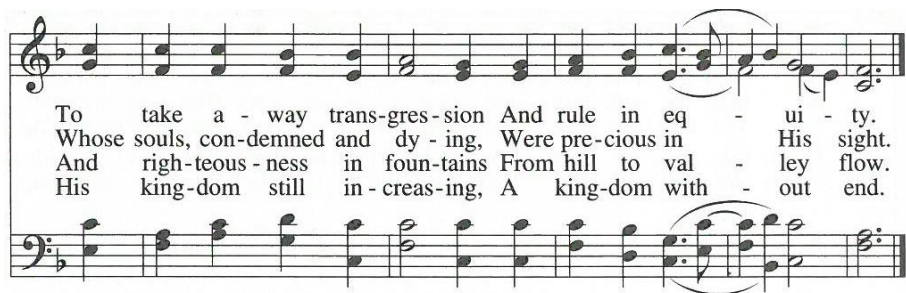
**HYMN**      **“Hail to the Lord’s Anointed”**

1 Hail to the Lord's a - noint - ed, Great Da - vid's great - er Son!  
2 He comes with res - cue speed - y To those who suf - fer wrong,  
3 He shall come down like show - ers Up - on the fruit - ful earth;  
4 Kings shall fall down be - fore Him And gold and in - cense bring;

Hail, in the time ap - point - ed, His reign on earth be - gun!  
To help the poor and need - y And bid the weak be strong;  
Love, joy, and hope, like flow - ers, Spring in His path to birth.  
All na - tions shall a - dore Him, His praise all peo - ple sing.

He comes to break op - pres - sion, To set the \ cap - tive free,  
To give them songs for sigh - ing, Their dark - ness turn to light,  
Be - fore Him on the moun - tains Shall peace, the her - ald, go;  
To Him shall prayer un - ceas - ing And dai - ly vows as - cend;





5 O'er ev'ry foe victorious,  
He on His throne shall rest,  
From age to age more glorious,  
All blessing and all-blest.

The tide of time shall never  
His covenant remove;  
His name shall stand forever—  
That name to us is Love.

Text: James Montgomery, 1771–1854, alt.

Tune: Leonhart Schröter, c. 1532–c. 1601; setting: *The Lutheran Hymnal*, 1941

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Ps. 72:1–17; 2 Sam. 7:12; Acts 10:38; Psalm 2

## PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

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

*Other prayers are inserted here. Each petition ends with “Lord, in your mercy,” to which the congregation responds, “hear our prayer.” The prayers conclude:*

**P** Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **C** Amen.

Sit

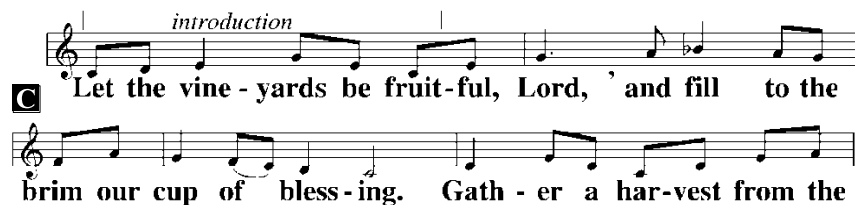
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### SERVICE OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

**OFFERING** *You may contribute online by texting the amount to 517-879-0989 and following the prompts. Alternately, gifts may be placed in the offering plate at the door along with the interest sheet.*

Stand

## OFFERTORY SONG AND PRAYER



seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the  
bread of life. Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of  
all; u - nite them with the prayers we of - fer  
now. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence, and give  
us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

**P** Let us pray. Merciful Father,

**C** we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have given us—ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## THE PREFACE

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And al - so with you.

**P** Lift up your hearts.

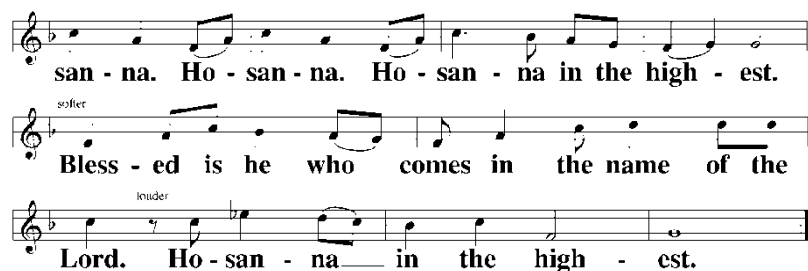
**C** We lift them to the Lord.

**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C** It is right to give him thanks and praise.

**P** It is indeed right and salutary that we should ... and so we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:  
Heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -



## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

**[P]** 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.

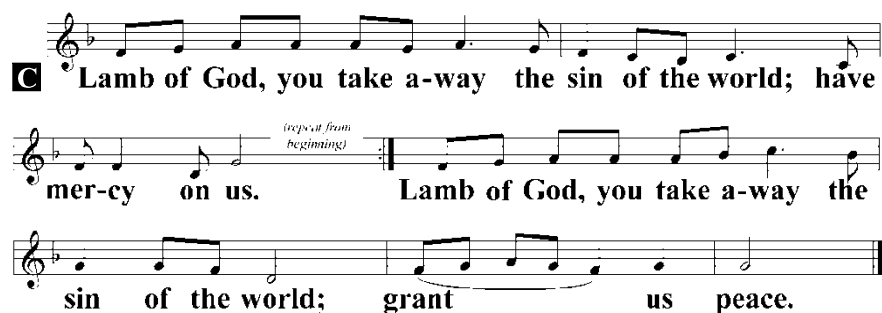
**[P]** Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

## LORD'S PRAYER

*Recognizing that the church, and this congregation, are comprised of people from many cultures, languages, and backgrounds, please speak this prayer in the language or version closest to your heart.*

**[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

## THE LAMB OF GOD



Sit

**THE DISTRIBUTION** Please approach the altar as space is available. You may receive communion from pre-packaged elements or the common loaf, along with an individual cup of wine or grape juice. Gluten-free options are available.

# HYMN "What Star is This"



- 1) What star is this, with beams so bright, More love -
- 2) 'Tis now ful-filled what God de-creed, "From Ja -
- 3) O Je - sus, while the star of grace Im - pels
- 4) To God Cre - a - tor, heav'n - ly light, To Christ,



ly than the noon - day light? 'Tis sent to an-nounce a  
cob shall a star pro-ceed;" And lo! the east - ern  
us on to seek Your face, Let not our sloth - ful  
re-vealed in earth - ly night, To God the Spir - it



new - born king, Glad ti - dings of our God to bring.  
sag - es stand, To read in heav'n the Lord's com-mand.  
hearts re - fuse The guid - ance of Your light to use.  
blessed we raise An end - less song of thank - ful praise!

# HYMN "As The Grains of Wheat"

*Refrain*

The musical notation for 'As The Grains of Wheat' is presented in a three-part format: a vocal melody line, a piano accompaniment line, and a bass line. The key signature is G major (one sharp) and the time signature is 4/4. The vocal line starts with a half note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, B4, C5, D5, E5, F#5, G5, and ends with a half note G5. The piano accompaniment line starts with a half note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, B4, C5, D5, E5, F#5, G5, and ends with a half note G5. The bass line starts with a half note G3, followed by quarter notes A3, B3, C4, D4, E4, F#4, G4, and ends with a half note G4. Chord symbols are provided above the piano line: E, F#m7/E, and F#dim7/E.

As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were gath-ered in - to

one to be - come our bread; so may all your peo-ple from

all the ends of earth be gath-ered in - to one in you.

1 As this cup of bless-ing is shared with - in our midst, . . . .  
 2 Let this be a fore-taste of all that is to come when

may we share the pres - ence of your love.  
 all cre - a - tion shares this feast with you.

*Refrain*

G<sup>#7</sup> C<sup>#m</sup> F<sup>#</sup> A/B

Stand

## THE BLESSING

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

## POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE AND PRAYER

*intro: one chord*

**[C]** Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev'-ry-one what he has done. Let all who seek the Lord re-joice and proud-ly bear his name. He re-calls his prom-is-es and leads his peo-ple forth in joy with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia.

**[P]** Let us pray. Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **[C]** Amen.

## BENEDICTION

**[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.

**[P]** Go in peace; serve the Lord. **[C]** Thanks be to God.

# CLOSING HYMN

## "O Jesus, King of Glory"

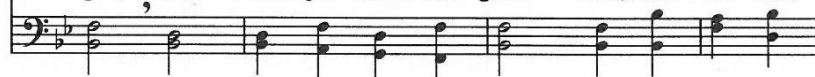
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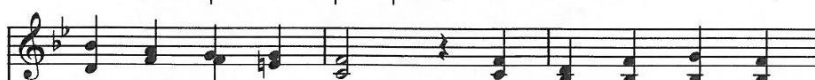
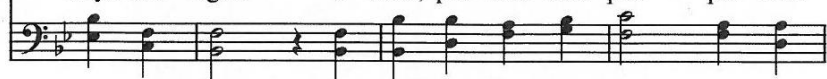
- 1) O Je - sus, King of glo - ry, Both Da-vid's Lord and
- 2) The east - ern sa - ges, kneel - ing, Their rich - est trib - utes
- 3) You are a might - y mon - arch, As by Your Word is
- 4) Yet You are deck'd with beau - ty, With rays of glo - rious



son! Your realm en-dures for - ev - er, In heav - en  
bring, Where wit - ness - ing Your glo - ry, They wor - ship  
told, Yet You care ver - y lit - tle For earth - ly  
light; Your works pro - claim Your good - ness, And all Your

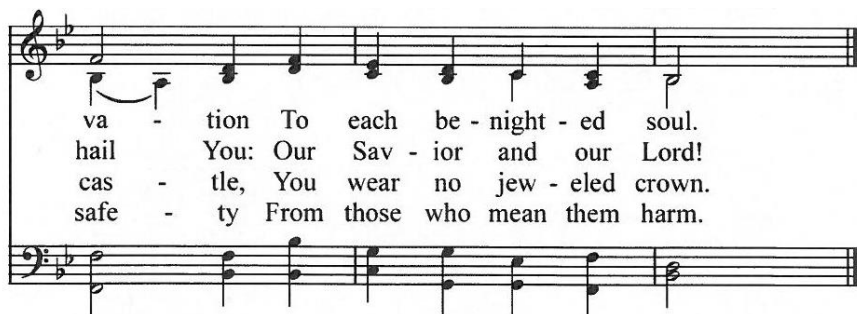


is Your throne. So that in earth's do - min - ions, From  
You, their King. To You the star is point - ing, The  
goods or gold; You come not proud - ly rid - ing, You  
ways are right. O Lord, pro - tect Your peo - ple With



pole to farth - est pole, Your reign may spread sal -  
sure pro - phet - ic Word; So joy - ous - ly we  
seek no great re - nown, You dwell in no high  
Your al - might - y arm That they may dwell in





5) Oh, look on me with pit-y  
 Though I am weak and poor;  
 Ad-mit me to Your king-dom  
 To dwell there, blest and sure.  
 I pray, Lord, guide and keep me  
 Safe from my bit-ter foes,  
 From sin and death and Sa-tan;  
 Free me from all my woes.

6) Then let Your Word with-in me  
 Shine as the fair-est star,  
 Your reign of love re-veal-ing  
 How won-der-ful You are.  
 Help me con-fess You tru-ly  
 And with Your Chris-ten-dom  
 Here own Your King and Savior  
 With all the world to come.

## POSTLUDE

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### Our Confession about Communion

#### Our Confession

1. Holy Communion is a divinely instituted act in which Jesus Christ gives His true (real) body and blood under the forms of bread and wine. We thus hold that the bread and wine are not mere symbols of Jesus' body and blood. When we receive the bread and wine we receive in fact the body and blood of Christ for the forgiveness of sins.

2. We believe that Communion is a celebration of this forgiveness which comes to us through faith as we eat and drink. In communion we remember our Lord's passion and death, His resurrection and ascension, and the promise of His coming again. Communion is truly the Gospel made visible, and is offered for those who "hunger and thirst after righteousness."

3. We believe that as we eat and drink this Supper we are strengthened in our faith in Jesus Christ and in our love for one another.

Therefore, we invite to the Lord's Table all who:

a. have been instructed in the meaning of Communion; have been baptized in the name of the Triune God; have received Jesus Christ as their own personal and living Savior and Lord, and concur in our confession;

b. are not living in open rebellion against the Word of God, and do not hold willful and persistent form of hatred, resentment or anger against any other person.

Those who have questions about communion are welcome to talk to one of the Pastors.