

**Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Pentecost**  
**November 17, 2024**  
**10:30 a.m.**

Then Jesus began to say to them,  
“Beware that no one  
leads you astray.”

Mark 13:5, NRSV



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*During November the lectionary leads the worshiping assembly to visions of the last day, to a reflection on the resurrection of the body and life everlasting. Some religious people see only panic and doom in the future. They dwell in the land of fear. The conclusion to the Lord's Prayer offers another view: the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. It is a bold confession of faith in God, who is our refuge and our strength. Such a hope, according to Hebrews, leads us to encourage one another in love and good deeds.*

## WELCOME

### PRELUDE

#### **"Come All You People"**

*Zimbabwe*

Choir

### 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.**

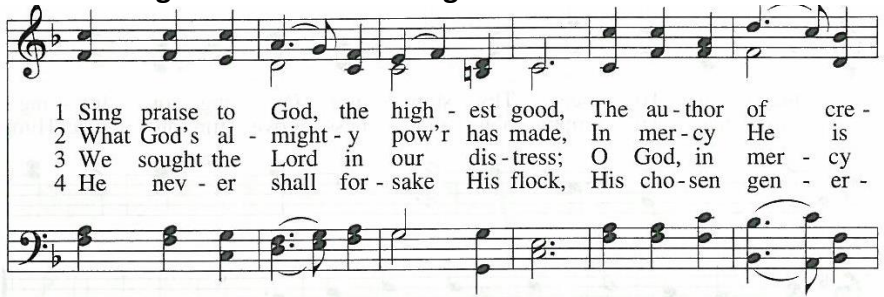
**[P]** Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **[C] Amen.**

### GREETING OF PEACE

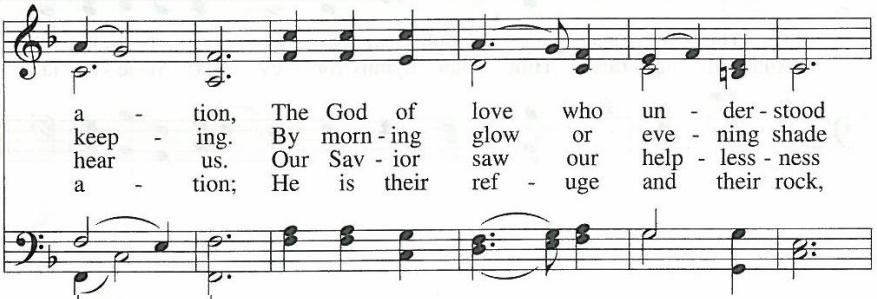
*Share a greeting of peace with those around you.*

## SERVICE OF THE WORD

### HYMN "Sing Praise to God the Highest Good"



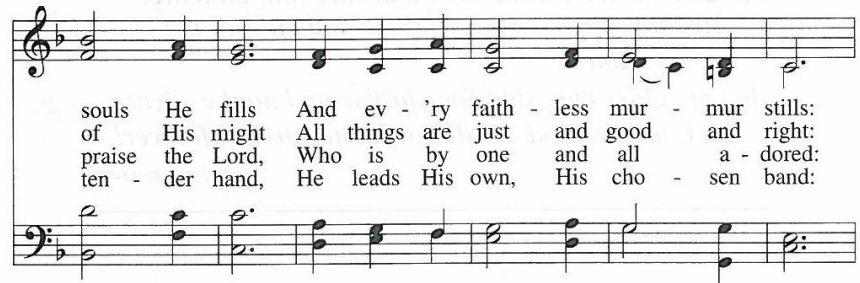
1 Sing praise to God, the high - est good, The au - thor of cre -  
2 What God's al - might - y pow'r has made, In mer - cy He is  
3 We sought the Lord in our dis - tress; O God, in mer - cy  
4 He nev - er shall for - sake His flock, His cho - sen gen - er -



a - tion, The God of love who un - der - stood  
keep - ing. By morn - ing glow or eve - ning shade  
hear us. Our Sav - ior saw our help - less - ness  
a - tion; He is their ref - uge and their rock,

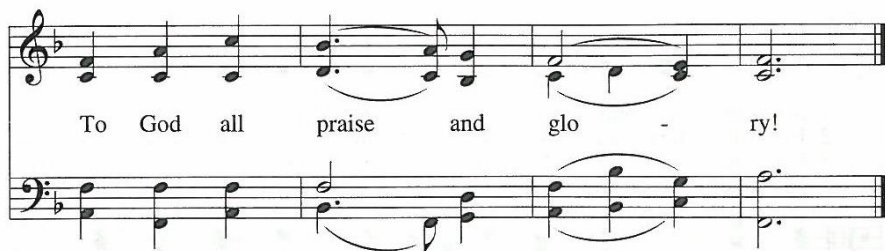


Our need for His sal - va - tion. With heal - ing balm our  
His eye is nev - er sleep - ing. With - in the king - dom  
And came with peace to cheer us. For this we thank and  
Their peace and their sal - va - tion. As with a moth - er's



souls He fills And ev - 'ry faith - less mur - mur stills:  
of His might All things are just and good and right:  
praise the Lord, Who is by one and all a - dored:  
ten - der hand, He leads His own, His cho - sen band:

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5 All who confess Christ's holy name,  
 Give God the praise and glory.  
 Let all who know His pow'r proclaim  
 Aloud the wondrous story.  
 Cast ev'ry idol from its throne,  
 For God is God, and He alone:  
 To God all praise and glory!

Text: Johann Jacob Schütz, 1640–90; tr. Frances E. Cox, 1812–97, adapt., sts. 1–3, 5;  
 tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, adapt., st. 4  
 Tune: Melchior Vulpinus, c. 1570–1615; setting: *The Lutheran Hymnal*, 1941

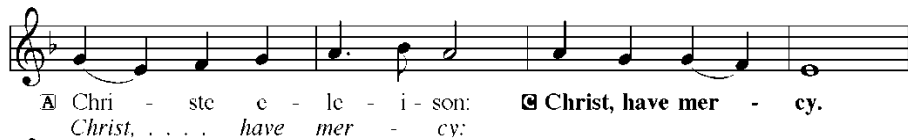
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**P** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **C** And also with you.

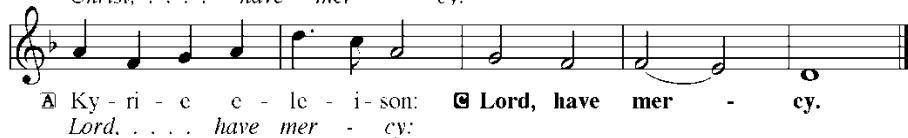
**KYRIE** (Congregation sings "c" parts)



**A** Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: **C** Lord, have mer - cy.  
 Lord, . . . . have mer - cy:

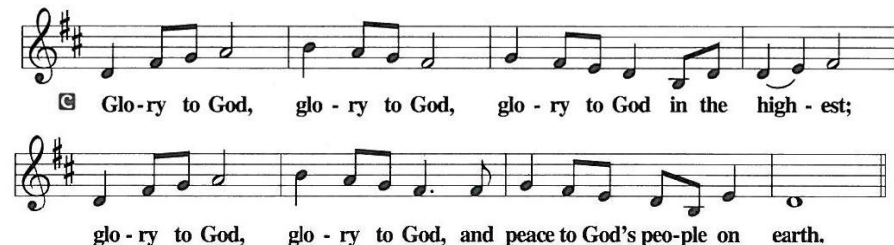


**A** Chri - ste e - le - i - son: **C** Christ, have mer - cy.  
 Christ, . . . . have mer - cy:



**A** Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: **C** Lord, have mer - cy.  
 Lord, . . . . have mer - cy:

**HYMN OF PRAISE**



**C** Glo-ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;

glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.





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.  
Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;  
glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth,  
and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

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

**[P]** Lord God, so rule and govern our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit that, always keeping in mind the end of all things and the day of judgment, we may be stirred up to holiness of life here and may live with you forever in the world to come, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **[C]** Amen.

Sit

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

## FIRST LESSON Daniel 12:1-3

*The book of Daniel represents a kind of literature called "apocalyptic," which is full of bizarre visions, strange symbolism, and supernatural happenings. Arising during times of great persecution, apocalyptic literature employs a vivid language that prevents outsiders to the faith from understanding its content. Overall, it is concerned with God's revelation about the end-time and the coming kingdom of God, when God will vindicate the righteous who have been persecuted.*

**[P]** "At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a time of anguish, such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book. 2Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. 3Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever."

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

## SECOND LESSON Hebrews 10:11-14 [15-18] 19-25

*The letter to the Hebrews presents an extended discussion of how Christ offered himself as a sacrifice so that sinners, cleansed by his blood, might have life. Therefore, the writer concludes, our life together should be marked by confidence, assurance, hope, and encouragement.*

**[P]** Every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, "he sat down at the right hand of God," and since then has been waiting "until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet." For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified. And the Holy Spirit also testifies to us, for after saying,

"This is the covenant that I will make with them

after those days, says the Lord:

I will put my laws in their hearts,

and I will write them on their minds,"

he also adds,

"I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more."

Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.

Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

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

### ALLELUIA



**[C]** Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

Al - le - lu - ia. You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

**GOSPEL** **[P]** The Holy Gospel according to Mark, chapter 13, starting at verse 1.

**[C]** Glory to You, O Lord.

*In the last week of his life, Jesus warned his disciples concerning trials that were to come upon them and upon the world. He exhorts the listener: Do not be alarmed.*

[P] As Jesus came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!" Then Jesus asked him, "Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down."

When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, "Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?" Then Jesus began to say to them, "Beware that no one leads you astray. Many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and they will lead many astray. When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs. 'As for yourselves, beware; for they will hand you over to councils; and you will be beaten in synagogues; and you will stand before governors and kings because of me, as a testimony to them. And the good news must first be proclaimed to all nations. When they bring you to trial and hand you over, do not worry beforehand about what you are to say; but say whatever is given you at that time, for it is not you who speak, but the Holy Spirit. Brother will betray brother to death, and a father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death; and you will be hated by all because of my name. But the one who endures to the end will be saved.'"

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

## **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,**



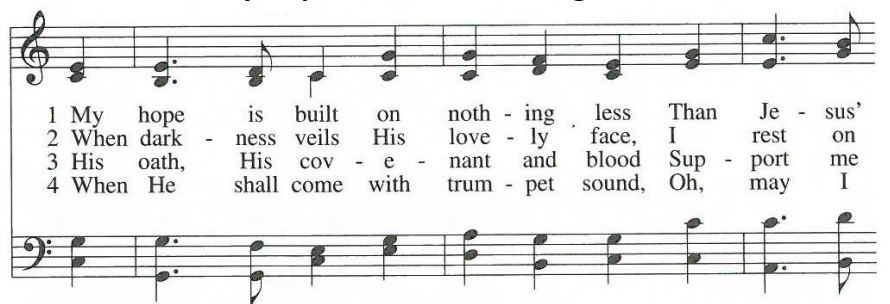
and the life everlasting. Amen.

## MESSAGE

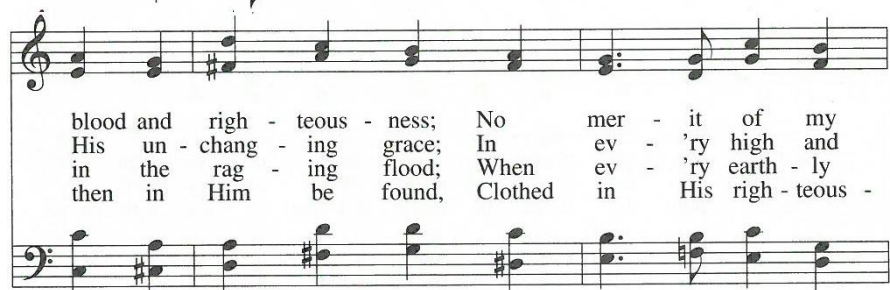
Stand

## HYMN

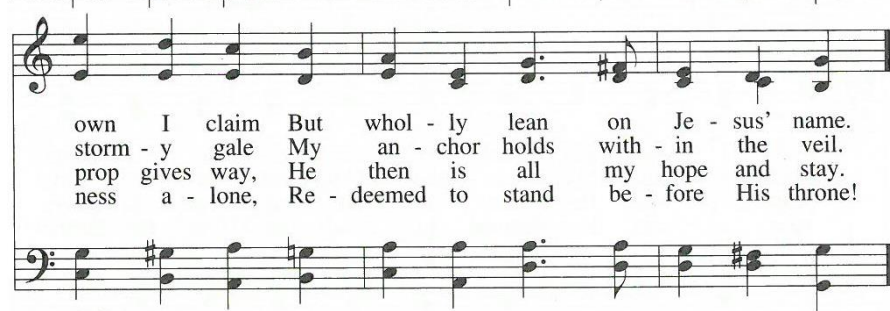
### "My Hope is Built on Nothing Less"



1 My hope is built on noth - ing less Than Je - sus'  
2 When dark - ness veils His love - ly face, I rest on  
3 His oath, His cov - e - nant and blood Sup - port me  
4 When He shall come with trum - pet sound, Oh, may I

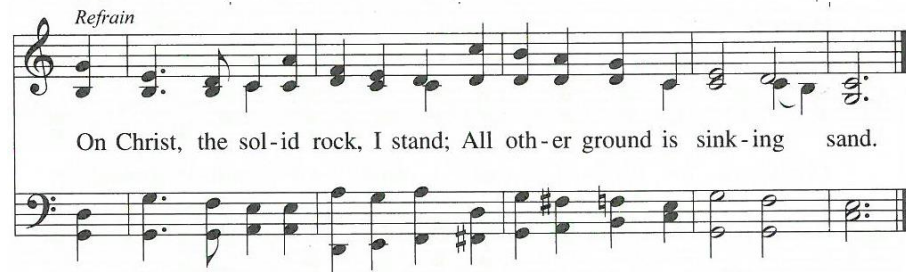


blood and righ - teous - ness; No mer - it of my  
His un - chang - ing grace; In ev - 'ry high and  
in the rag - ing flood; When ev - 'ry earth - ly  
then in Him be found, Clothed in His righ - teous -



own I claim But whol - ly lean on Je - sus' name.  
storm - y gale My an - chor holds with - in the veil.  
prop gives way, He then is all my hope and stay.  
ness a - lone, Re - deemed to stand be - fore His throne!

#### Refrain



On Christ, the sol-id rock, I stand; All oth-er ground is sink-ing sand.

Text: Edward Mote, 1797-1874, alt.  
Music: John Stainer. 1840-1901

MAGDALEN  
L M and refrain

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

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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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OFFERTORY MUSIC

OFFERTORY SONG AND PRAYER

Stand

**C** Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of  
bless-ing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were  
sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.  
Gath-er the hopes and dreams of all; u-nite them with the prayers we  
of-fer now. Grace our ta-ble with your pres-ence,



Lord, 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 first 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 also 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 our thanks and praise.

**[P]** It is indeed right ...

we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



**[C]** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and



might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.



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

## 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.

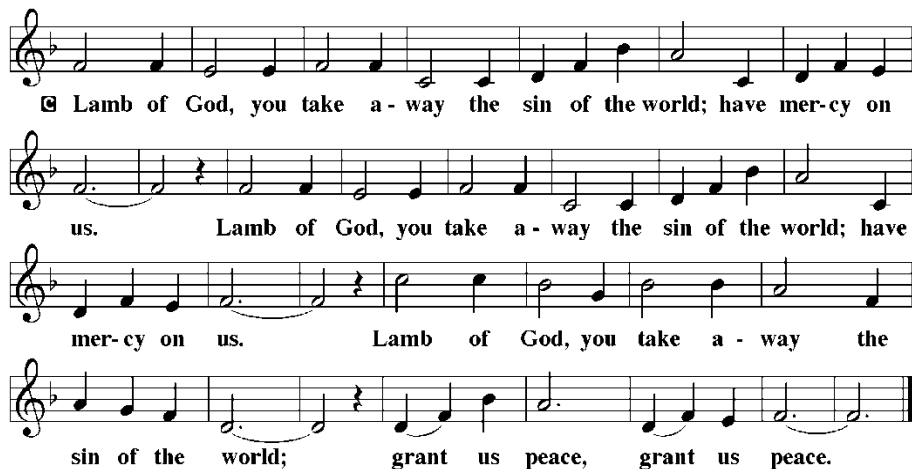
**P** Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

## 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



The musical notation for 'The Lamb of God' is presented on four staves. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is written in a simple, accessible style. The lyrics are: 'Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on'. The second staff continues the melody with the lyrics: 'us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have'. The third staff continues with: 'mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the'. The fourth staff concludes the phrase with: 'sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.' The notation includes various musical symbols such as notes, rests, and bar lines to indicate the rhythm and structure of the hymn.

*Sit*

**THE DISTRIBUTION** *You are invited to approach the altar to receive communion elements along with an individual cup of wine or grape juice. Gluten-free available.*

## HYMN

## "Jerusalem, My Happy Home"

1 Je - ru - sa - lem, my hap - py home,  
 2 O hap - py har - bor of the saints,  
 3 Thy gar - dens and thy gal - lant walks  
 4 There trees for - ev - er - more bear fruit

When shall I come to thee? When shall my sor - rows  
 O sweet and pleas - ant soil! In thee no sor - row  
 Con - tin - ual - ly are green; There grow such sweet and  
 And ev - er - more do spring; There ev - er - more the

have an end? Thy joys when shall I see?  
 may be found, No grief, no care, no toil.  
 pleas - ant flow'rs As no - where else are seen.  
 an - gels dwell And ev - er - more do sing.

5 Apostles, martyrs, prophets, there  
 Around my Savior stand;  
 And soon my friends in Christ below  
 Will join the glorious band.

6 O Christ, do Thou my soul prepare  
 For that bright home of love  
 That I may see Thee and adore  
 With all Thy saints above.

Text: F. B. P., 16th cent., alt.

Tune: American; setting: Charles H. Webb, b. 1933

LAND OF REST  
 CM

## Stand

**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

☐ Thank - ful hearts and voic - es raise; tell ev - 'ry -  
 one what God has done. Let all who seek the  
 Lord re - joice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.  
 Send us with your prom - is - es, O God, and  
 lead us forth in joy with shouts of thanks -  
 giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia.

☐ Let us pray. We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in your mercy you would strengthen us, through this gift, in faith towards you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. ☐ **Amen.**

## BENEDICTION

- ☐ 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. ☐ **Amen.**
- ☐ Go in peace; serve the Lord. ☐ **Thanks be to God.**

## CLOSING HYMN "Guide Me Oh Thou Great Redeemer"

1 Guide me, O Thou great Re - deem - er, Pil - grim through this  
 2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain Whence the heal - ing  
 3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, Bid my anx - ious

bar - ren land. I am weak, but Thou art might - y;  
 stream doth flow; Let the fi - ery, cloud - y pil - lar  
 fears sub - side; Death of death and hell's de - struc - tion,

Hold me with Thy pow'r - ful hand. Bread of heav - en,  
 Lead me all my jour - ney through. Strong de - liv - 'rer,  
 Land me safe on Ca - naan's side. Songs of prais - es,

bread of heav - en, Feed me till I want no  
 strong de - liv - 'rer, Be Thou still my strength and  
 songs of prais - es I will ev - er give to

more; Feed me till I want no more.  
 shield; Be Thou still my strength and shield.  
 Thee; I will ev - er give to Thee.

## POSTLUDE

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### Our Confession about Communion

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.

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***Thank you for worshiping with us!***