Liturgy at Grace Lutheran Church
First Sunday of Advent
Evangelical Lutheran Worship



Sunday, November 29, 2026 10:30 A.M.

Gathering

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

PRELUDE Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland - J. S. Bach

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

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. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Comforting God,
we are your people,
but we have neglected to call on your name.
We are your people,
but we have not remembered your ways.
We are your people,
but we have forgotten your hold on us.
We are your people,
but now we fade like a leaf,
and our sins, like the wind, take us away.
Restore us as your people.
Cleanse us from our sin,
and clothe us in your righteousness.
Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God 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.

Amen. Please stand.

Candle Lightning: Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah Hymn#240 (verse 1)

During the lighting of the candle, the assembly is invited to sing they hymn.

Please stand.

ENTRANCE HYMN THE KING SHALL COME HYMN# 260

GREETING

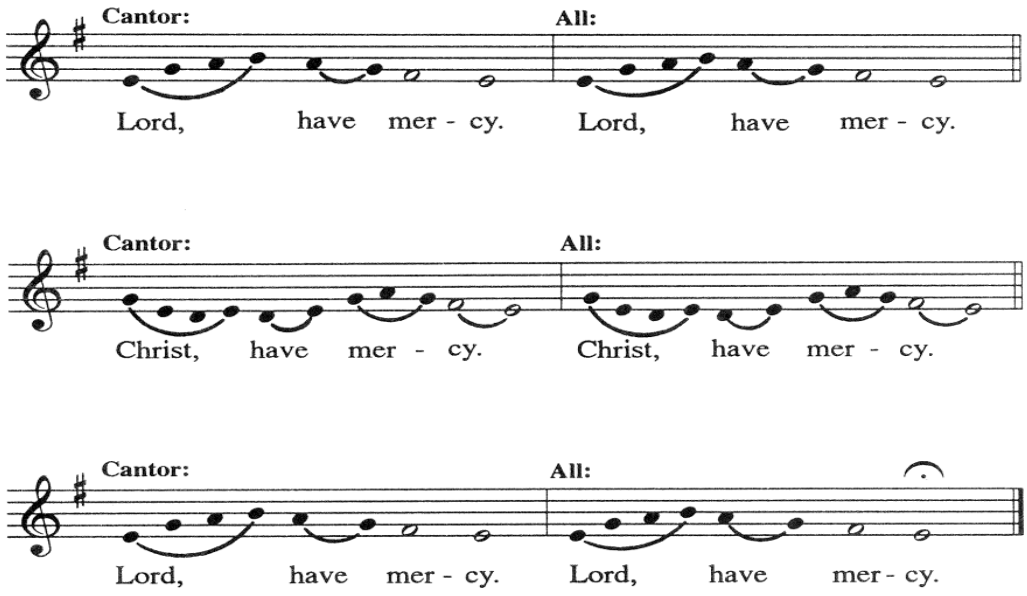
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

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Richard Proulx

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Let us pray. Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. By your merciful protection awaken us to the threatening dangers of our sins, and keep us blameless until the coming of your new day, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen. *Please be seated.*

Word

God speaks to us in Scripture reading, preaching, and song.

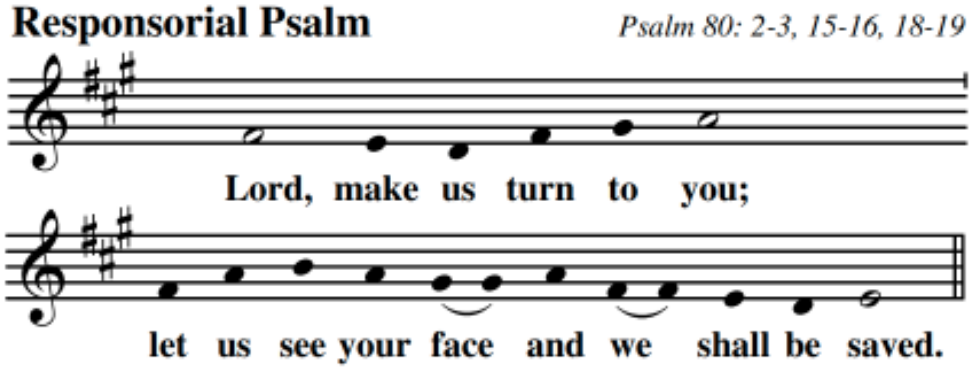
FIRST READING **Isaiah 64:1-9**

1 O that you would tear open the heavens and come down,
so that the mountains would quake at your presence—
2 as when fire kindles brushwood
and the fire causes water to boil—
to make your name known to your adversaries,
so that the nations might tremble at your presence!
3 When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect,
you came down; the mountains quaked at your presence.
4 From ages past no one has heard,
no ear has perceived,
no eye has seen any God besides you,
who works for those who wait for him.
5 You meet those who gladly do right,
those who remember you in your ways.
But you were angry, and we sinned;
because you hid yourself we transgressed.
6 We have all become like one who is unclean,
and all our righteous deeds are like a filthy cloth.
We all fade like a leaf,
and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away.
7 There is no one who calls on your name
or attempts to take hold of you,

for you have hidden your face from us
and have delivered us into the hand of our iniquity.
[8] Yet, O LORD, you are our Father;
we are the clay, and you are our potter;
we are all the work of your hand.
[9] Do not be exceedingly angry, O LORD,
and do not remember iniquity forever.
Now consider, we are all your people.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm



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R. Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved.

O shepherd of Israel, hearken,
from your throne upon the cherubim, shine forth.
Rouse your power,
and come to save us.

R. Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved.

Once again, O LORD of hosts,
look down from heaven, and see;
take care of this vine,
and protect what your right hand has planted
the son of man whom you yourself made strong.

R. Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved.

May your help be with the man of your right hand,
with the son of man whom you yourself made strong.
Then we will no more withdraw from you;
give us new life, and we will call upon your name.

R. Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved.

SECOND READING — 1 Corinthians 1:3-9

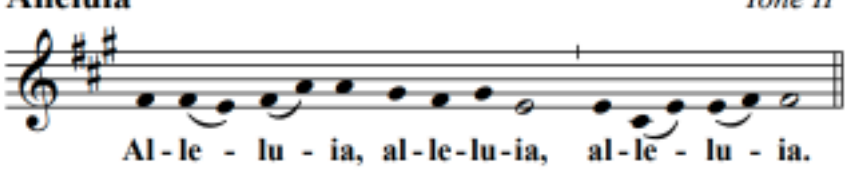
3 Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.
4 I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has
been given you in Christ Jesus, 5 for in every way you have been enriched in him, in
speech and knowledge of every kind—6 just as the testimony of Christ has been
strengthened among you—7 so that you are not lacking in any gift as you wait for the
revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. 8 He will also strengthen you to the end, so that
you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. 9 God is faithful, by
whom you were called into the partnership of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *Please stand.*

Alleluia *Tone II*



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"Show us, Lord, your love; and grant us your salvation." (Ps 84: 8)

HOLY GOSPEL **Mark 13:24-37**

The Holy Gospel according to Saint Mark, the thirteenth chapter.
Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] 24 "In those days, after that suffering,
the sun will be darkened,
and the moon will not give its light,
25 and the stars will be falling from heaven,
and the powers in the heavens will be shaken.
26 "Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in clouds' with great power and glory. 27 Then he will send out the angels and gather the elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.

28 "From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. 29 So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. 30 Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. 31 Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

32 "But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven nor the Son, but only the Father. 33 Beware, keep alert, for you do not know when the time will come. 34 It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. 35 Therefore, keep awake, for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening or at midnight or at cockcrow or at dawn, 36 or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. 37 And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake."

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

HOMILY *Silence for reflection* Rev. Khader Khalilia

HYMN OF THE DAY Awake! Awake, and Greet the New Morn Hymn# 242

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

In hope and expectation, we bring to God our prayers for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

Strengthen your church in this season of anticipation. Nourish all people who gather around word and water, bread and cup. Reassure any whose faith feels dry that you are always near. God, in your mercy,
receive our prayer.

Come and restore the earth. Give rest to weary lands and renewed life to species at risk. Make us wise stewards of the places we call home. God, in your mercy,
receive our prayer.

Bring peace among all nations and communities. Embolden leaders to seek creative and sustainable resolutions to war and conflict. Show us new possibilities in places where peace has been elusive. God, in your mercy,
receive our prayer.

Sustain all who are heavy with weariness, grief, illness, or worry. Comfort families who are estranged from one another and any who are separated from loved ones. God, in your mercy,
receive our prayer.

Inspire liturgists, preachers, musicians, and all who lead our worship and prayer. May we be prepared as we await Christ's coming this Advent season. God, in your mercy,
receive our prayer.

You embrace all the saints from the far reaches of the earth. We remember with care all who have died and now abide in their eternal home. God, in your mercy,
receive our prayer.

We entrust these and the prayers of our hearts to you, most holy God, in the name of Christ Jesus our Savior.

Amen.

Meal

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

GREETING OF PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you. *The assembly sits after exchanging the peace.*

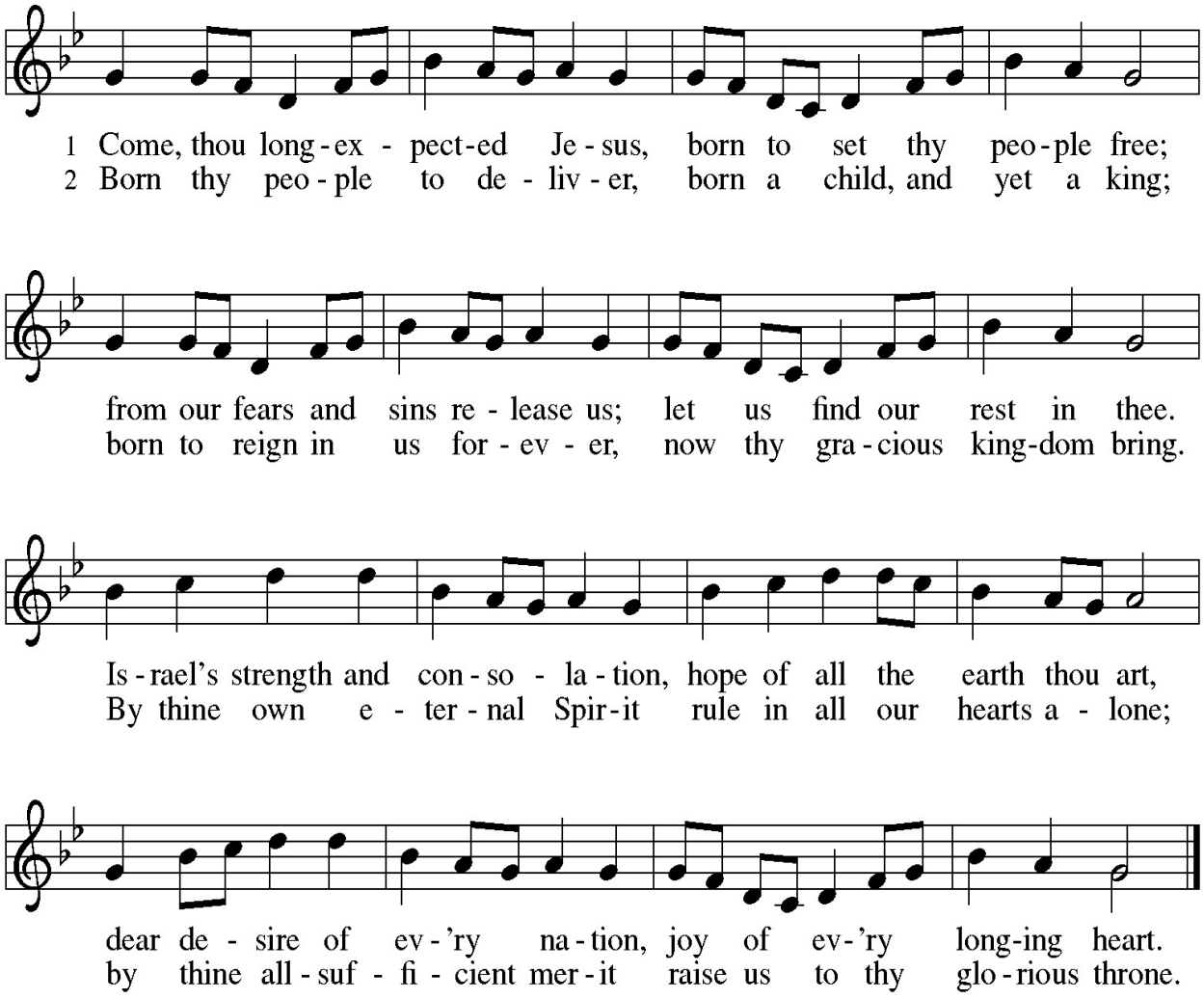
The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, Peace be with you. *You may consider a gesture without physical touch, perhaps a slight bow, or crossing over the chest, as a symbol of an embrace.*

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AT THE OFFERING Wake, Awake harm. by J.S. Bach

OFFERTORY VERSE *Please stand.* Come**,** Thou Long-Expected Jesus Hymn#254

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

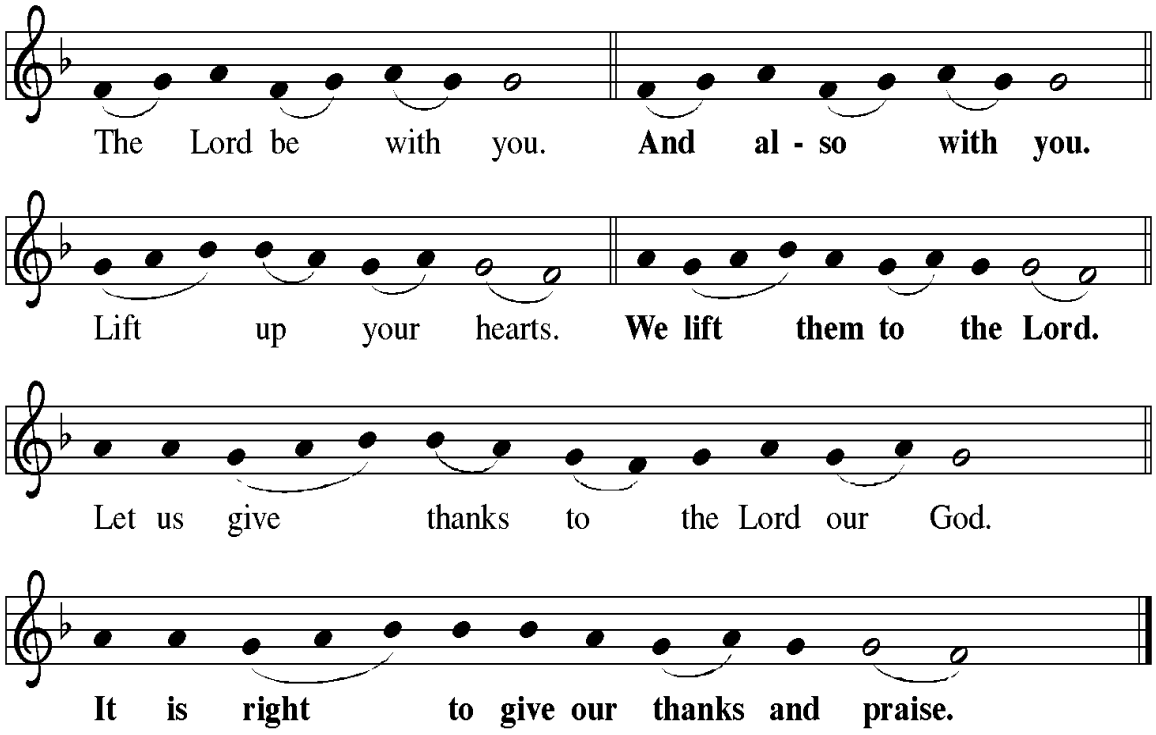


Text: Charles Wesley, 1707-1788
Music: JEFFERSON, W. Walker, *Southern Harmony*, 1835

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray. Holy Creator,
we are the clay and you are the potter;
we are all the work of your hand.
Receive these gifts shape them and our lives for your purpose,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING



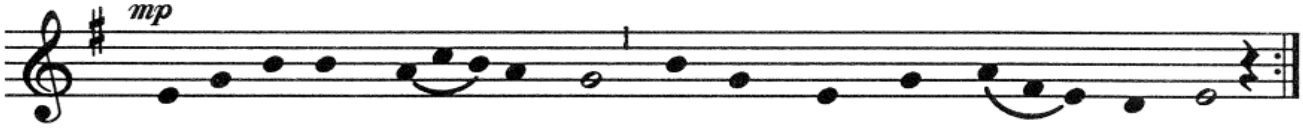
PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy…We praise your name and join their unending hymn…

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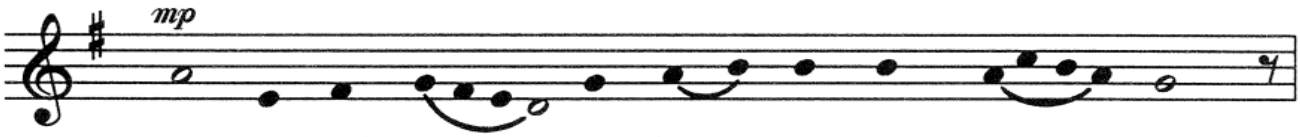
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Cantor, All repeat:

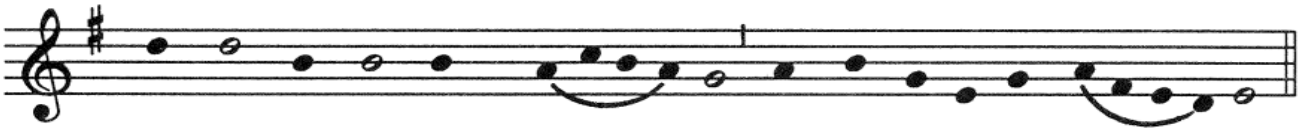


Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and God of might.

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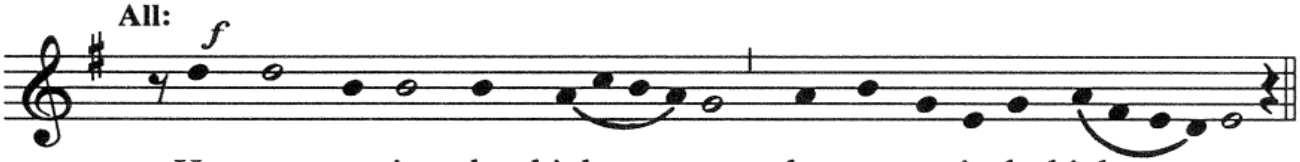


Heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.



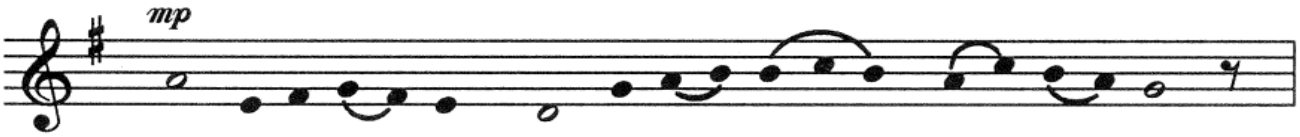
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All:

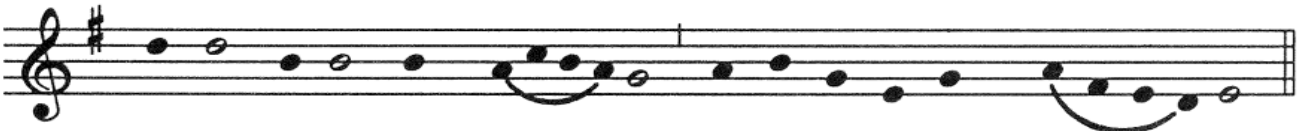


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Cantor:

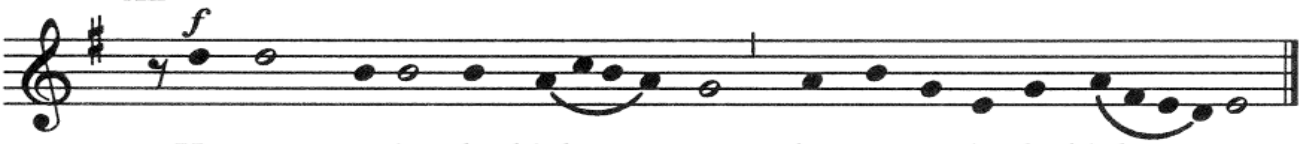


Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.



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

All:



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

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Holy One, the beginning and the end, the giver of life:
Blessed are you for the birth of creation.
Blessed are you in the darkness and in the light.
Blessed are you for your promise to your people.
Blessed are you in the prophets' hopes and dreams.
Blessed are you for Mary's openness to your will.
Blessed are you for your Son Jesus,
the Word made flesh.

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.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:
Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

With this bread and cup
we remember your Word dwelling among us,
full of grace and truth.
We remember our new birth in his death and resurrection.
We look with hope for his coming.
Come, Lord Jesus.

Holy God, we long for your Spirit.
Come among us.
Bless this meal.
May your Word take flesh in us.
Awaken your people.
Fill us with your light.
Bring the gift of peace on earth.
Come, Holy Spirit.

All praise and glory are yours,
Holy One of Israel,
Word of God incarnate,
Power of the Most High, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

OUR FATHER

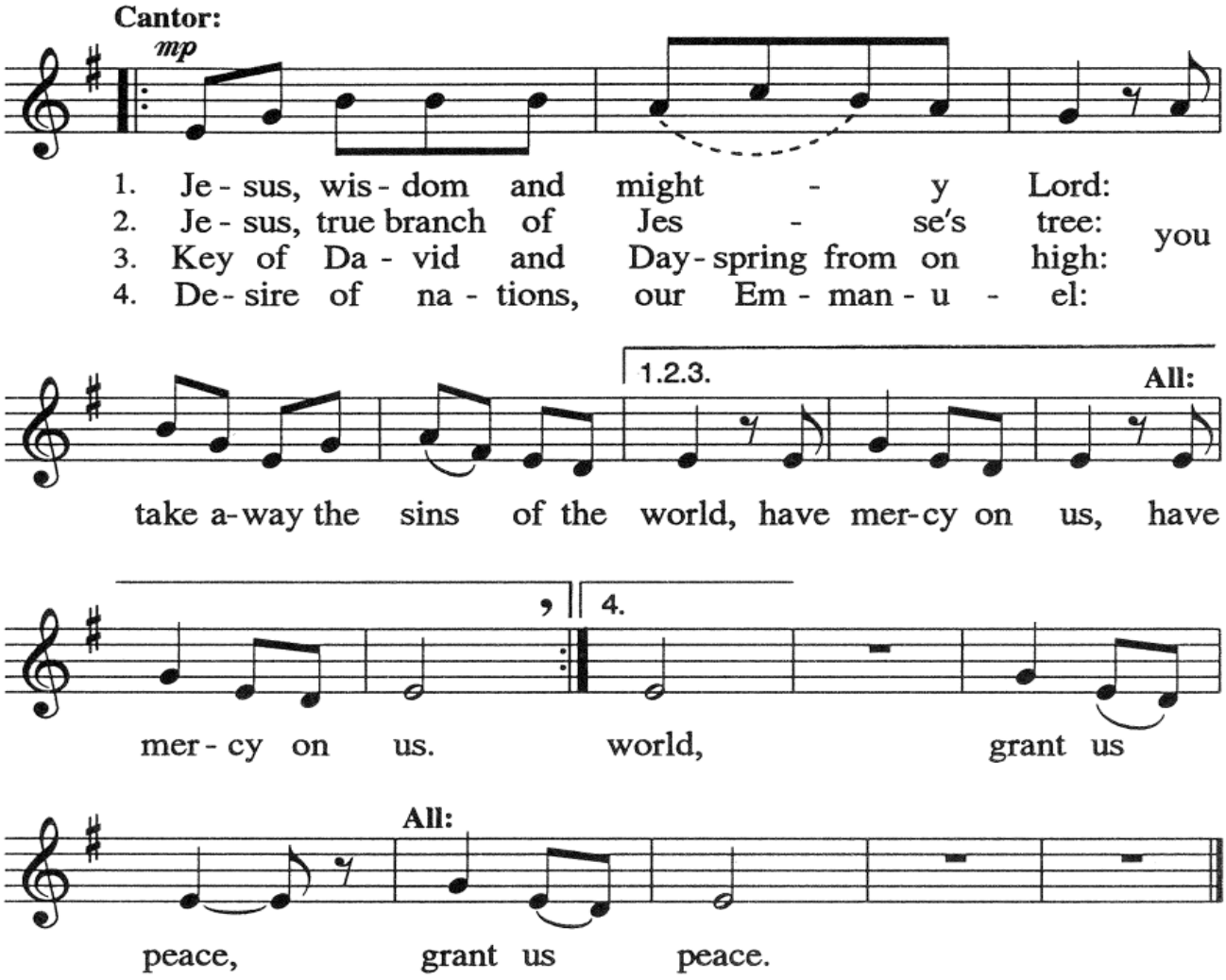
Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

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.

AT THE DISTRIBUTION

All baptized Christians are invited to receive the sacrament of Holy Communion.
In this Sacrament we receive the body and blood of Jesus Christ for our forgiveness and salvation as we celebrate our unity with Christ and all the saints.

LITANY AT THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD



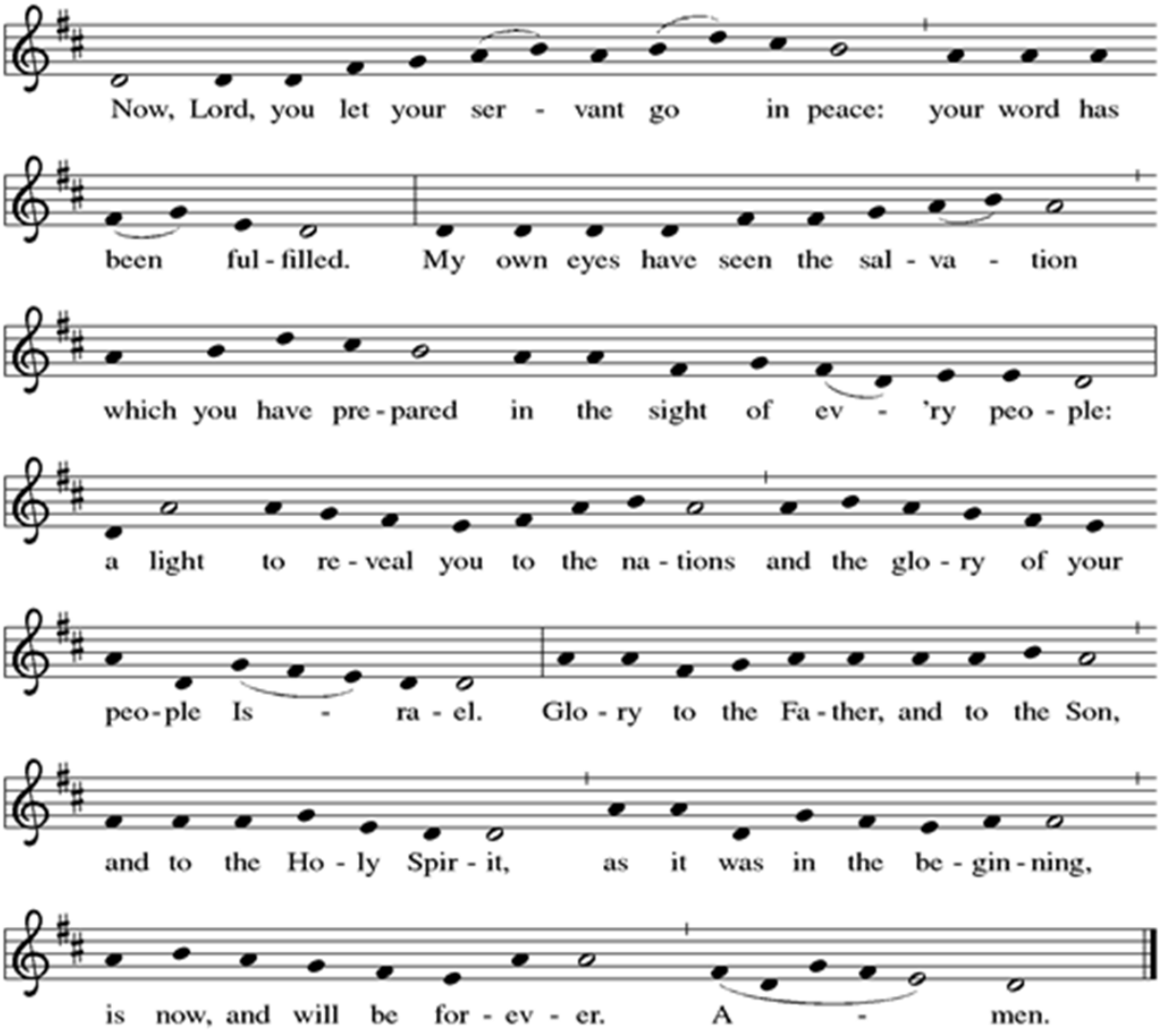
MUSIC AT COMMUNION

	All Who Believe and Are Baptized	Hymn# 442
	Jesus, Still Lead On	Hymn# 624

POST COMMUNION BLESSING *Please stand.*

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

Now, Lord



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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray. Providing God,
you feed your flock like a shepherd
and gather your people in your arms.
We praise you for the care and sustenance
you give at this meal and always.

As we leave your table, carry us near your heart,
and send us with confidence in the way
of Jesus Christ, our Savior.
Amen.

Sending

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

BENEDICTION *Please stand.*

May God who comes among us,
Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit,
grant you patience in waiting, peace in the darkness,
and good news to share today and always.

Amen.

SENDING Hark! A Thrilling Voice Is Sounding!

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Keep awake.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE Herr Christ, der ein'ge Gottes Sohn J. S. Bach

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Choir	Christina Swanson
	Celina Randazzo
	Kyle Sandall
	Avery Davidson
	Pharel Silaban

PARISH NOTES – November 29, 2026

Welcome in the Name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ! We appreciate your joining us as we celebrate the love given to us through God's beloved Son. If you wish to be included on our mailing list, please sign the guest book or inform an usher or the pastor. Also, please join us for conversation and refreshments in the lower level after worship. May you feel richly blessed this day!



~ Nancy Camarata, Anthony Serrano, The Family of Richard Boyle, John DeLuca, Beatrice Sarchapone, Maria Marsala, Roger Stern, Karen O'Brien, Phil Scherer, Milly Reistad, Pat Boyle, Steve Cerame, Diane Kerl, Family of Sandy Romano, Ruth Lundy, Dot Coy, Don Coy, Joshua Suzuki, Stanley Lieberman, Thomas Maulick, James Quigg, Norina Lundy, Carmen Delgado, Peter Syrdahl, Linda Ellsbury

Please let us know if you are in need of prayer.

Today, we are using "Mass setting: MISSA EMMANUEL! By Richard Proulx

"The Word In Season" devotionals for October, November and December 2026 are now available on the foyer table.

- The **Season of Advent** begins on Sunday, November 29, 2026. If you would like to contribute to evergreens placed on the altar, your donation will be greatly appreciated.



Eternal Candle and Altar Flowers:

It is $10 per week to sponsor the Eternal Candle and $50 per floral arrangement for the altar.

The Eternal Candle for November is lit in memory of ***Matthew J. Regevik*** with love from this family

Kitchen Wish List

Our wish list in now on Amazon- **Grace Lutheran Church's Kitchen Shower**
The link is available in the church e-newsletter

Blessed Birthday Wishes for November to:

Henrik Johnson	Nov. 2
Nancy Khalilia	Nov. 14
Deborah Roman	Nov. 20

Save the Date: Dec 6th at 4pm Stille Nacht:A German Christmas Celebration
Choral Music for Advent and Christmas
A candlelit concert featuring Traditional Carols for All to Sing
here at Grace Lutheran Church.

PIZZA WITH SANTA – December 11th

Come Join Pizza with Santa on December 11th from 5:45-7:45pm at Our Saviour's Lutheran Church located at 414 80th Street (The Great Hall). Enjoy pizza, music, pictures, and arts and crafts. Free admission.

Please bring a new-unwrapped toy to donate to the Olivia Boccuzzi Foundation supporting families of children fighting childhood cancer. Please see flyer in the church foyer.

Christmas Pageant

The Christmas Pageant will be held on Sunday, December 20, 2026 during church service. **Rehearsal date is Saturday, December 20, 2026 at 10:30 AM.**

CHRISTMAS EVE:

Our Christmas Eve service will be held on Thursday, December 24, 2026 at 4 PM. We will have a candlelight service with special music. Donations for the music are greatly appreciated. Come and be part of the celebration!

Please note that there will be no morning Mass Service.

Faith Formation

Sunday School

Sunday School meets on Sundays at **9:40 a.m.**

Confirmation Class

Confirmation Class meets on Sundays at **9:30 a.m. in the Church Office**.



CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS and MUSIC

Please join members and friends of Grace Lutheran Church by sponsoring a poinsettia in the church for Christmas Eve in honor/memory of someone special or a loved family member or friend. How beautiful our church looked last Christmas Eve! Include $12/plant and any amount you desire for music with this form.

Please have your order in by Sunday, December 20th. Thank you!

Please Print!

In Honor of: _____

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As always, you may take the poinsettias home
after the 4 p.m. service on Christmas Eve.

Weekly Events at Grace Lutheran

Sundays	10:30 am	Worship Service
	11:30 am	Coffee Hour
	12:00 pm	Greek Apostolic Church Service
Wednesdays	7:00 pm	Sons of Bill (Men's AA Meeting) – *In-person*
Saturdays	1:30 pm –	Al-Anon Meeting – *In-person*

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Opening our doors and serving the community by transforming lives through the powerful teachings of Jesus Christ.
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