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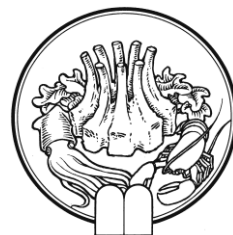
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## The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 29, 2021

**Color of the Day:** Green - suggesting spiritual growth and maturity. There is nothing colorless about our need to grow and mature as disciples of Jesus Christ. That's why the "green meadow" time of the church year is so lengthy. Time must be given to encourage all worshipers to maintain their faith through the constant use of God's means of grace.



### OEPRING HYMN

#816 - From All That Dwell Below the Skies

1 From all that dwell be - low the skies Let the Cre - a - tor's  
2 E - ter - nal are Thy mer - cies, Lord; E - ter - nal truth at -  
△ 3 All praise to God the Fa - ther be, All praise, e - ter - nal

praise a - rise; Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
tends Thy Word. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
Son, to Thee. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Let the Re - deem - er's name be sung Through ev - 'ry land by  
Thy praise shall sound from shore to shore Till suns shall rise and  
Whom with the Spir - it we a - dore For - ev - er and for -

ev - 'ry tongue. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
set no more. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
ev - er - more: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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

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### + CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION +

(Stand)

**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.

(Stand)

**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.**

(Stand)

## + SERVICE OF THE WORD +

### INTROIT

*Psalm 51:7, 10–12; antiphon: v. 2*

Wash me thoroughly from my in- | iquity,\*  
and cleanse me | from my sin!  
Purge me with hyssop, and I | shall be clean;\*  
wash me, and I shall be whit- | er than snow.  
Create in me a clean heart, | O God,\*  
and renew a right spirit with- | in me.  
Cast me not away from your | presence,\*  
and take not your Holy Spirit | from me.  
Restore to me the joy of your sal- | vation,\*  
and uphold me with a willing | spirit.  
**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\***  
**and to the Holy | Spirit;**  
**as it was in the be- | ginning,\***  
**is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**  
Wash me thoroughly from my in- | iquity,\*  
and cleanse me | from my sin!

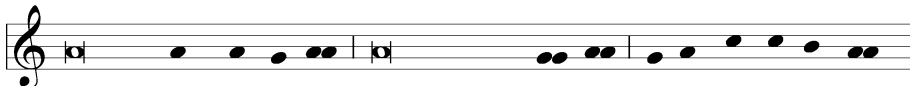
### KYRIE



**A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.



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



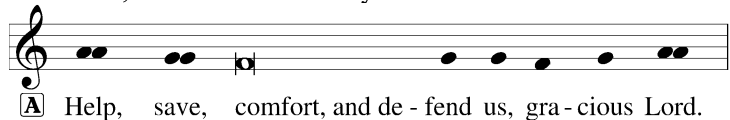
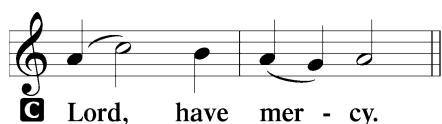
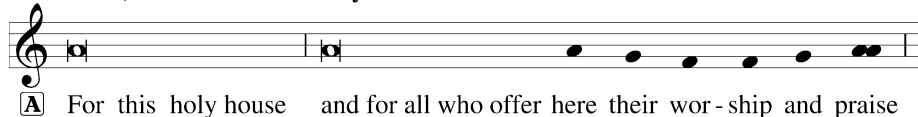
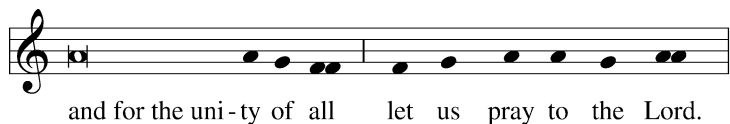
**A** For the peace from a-bove and for our sal-va-tion let us pray to the Lord.



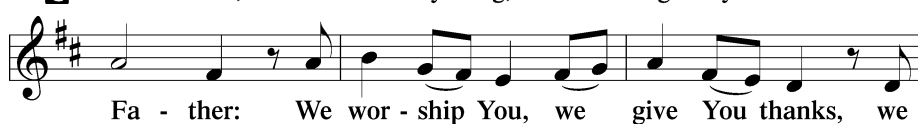
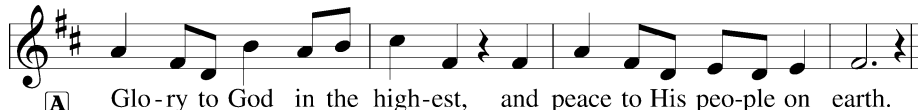
**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

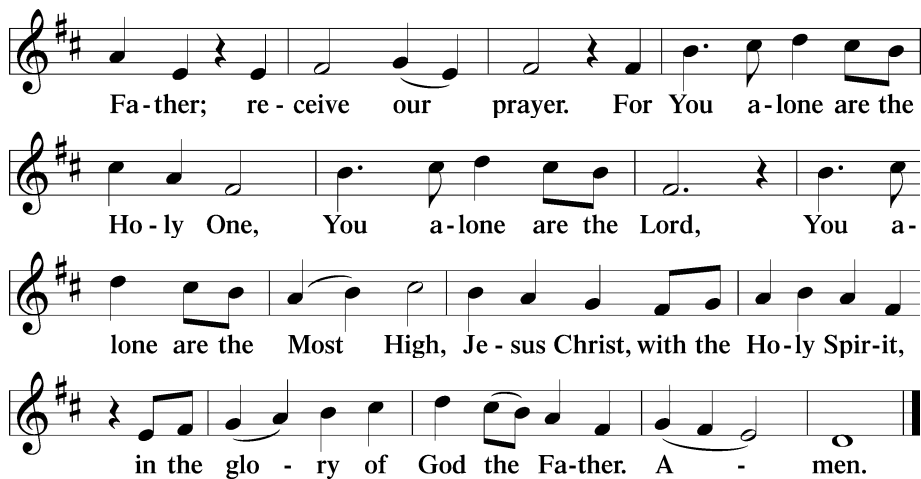


**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



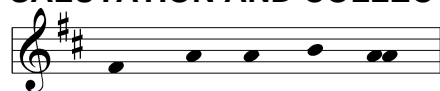
## GLORIA IN EXCELSIS





Fa-ther; re - ceive our prayer. For You a-lone are the  
Ho - ly One, You a-lone are the Lord, 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.

## SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY



**P** The Lord be with you.



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

**P** Let us pray.

O God, the source of all that is just and good, nourish in us every virtue and bring to completion every good intent that we may grow in grace and bring forth the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

(Sit)

## OLD TESTAMENT READING

*Deuteronomy 4:1–2, 6–9*

<sup>1</sup>“Now, O Israel, listen to the statutes and the just decrees that I am teaching you, and do them, that you may live, and go in and take possession of the land that the LORD, the God of your fathers, is giving you. <sup>2</sup>You shall not add to the word that I command you, nor take from it, that you may keep the commandments of the LORD your God that I command you. .

<sup>6</sup>Keep them and do them, for that will be your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, ‘Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people.’ <sup>7</sup>For what great nation is there that has a god so near to it as the LORD our God is to us, whenever we call upon him? <sup>8</sup>And what great nation is there, that has statutes and just decrees so righteous as all this law that I set before you today?

<sup>9</sup>“Only take care, and keep your soul diligently, lest you forget the things that your eyes have seen, and lest they depart from your heart all the days of your life. Make them known to your children and your children’s children.”

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## GRADUAL

*Psalms 34:9, 19, alt.*

Fear the LORD, | you his saints,\*  
for those who fear him lack | nothing!  
Many are the afflictions of the | righteous,\*  
but the LORD delivers him out | of them all.

## EPISTLE

*Ephesians 6:10–20*

<sup>10</sup>Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. <sup>11</sup>Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. <sup>12</sup>For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. <sup>13</sup>Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. <sup>14</sup>Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, <sup>15</sup>and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace. <sup>16</sup>In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; <sup>17</sup>and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God, <sup>18</sup>praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints, <sup>19</sup>and also for me, that words may be given to me in opening my mouth boldly to proclaim the mystery of the gospel, <sup>20</sup>for which I am an ambassador in chains, that I may declare it boldly, as I ought to speak.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

(Stand)

## ALLELUIA AND VERSE



**C** Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?  
You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

## HOLY GOSPEL

*Mark 7:14–23*

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

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

<sup>14</sup>[Jesus] called the people to him again and said to them, “Hear me, all of you, and understand: <sup>15</sup>There is nothing outside a person that by going into him can defile him, but the things that come out of a person are what defile him.” <sup>17</sup>And when he had entered the house and left the people, his disciples asked him about the parable. <sup>18</sup>And he said to them, “Then are you also without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into a person from outside cannot defile him, <sup>19</sup>since it enters not his heart but his stomach, and is expelled?” (Thus he declared all foods clean.) <sup>20</sup>And he said, “What comes out of a person is what defiles him. <sup>21</sup>For from within, out of the heart of man, come evil thoughts, sexual immorality, theft, murder, adultery, <sup>22</sup>coveting, wickedness, deceit, sensuality, envy, slander, pride, foolishness. <sup>23</sup>All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

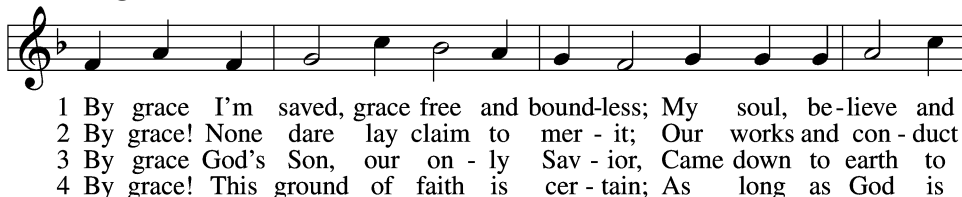
**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

(Sit)

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

### HYMN OF THE DAY

*#566 - By Grace I'm Saved*



1 By grace I'm saved, grace free and bound-less; My soul, be-lieve and  
2 By grace! None dare lay claim to mer - it; Our works and con - duct  
3 By grace God's Son, our on - ly Sav - ior, Came down to earth to  
4 By grace! This ground of faith is cer - tain; As long as God is  
doubt it not. Why stag - ger at this word of prom - ise?  
have no worth. God in His love sent our Re - deem - er,  
bear our sin. Was it be - cause of your own mer - it  
true, it stands. What saints have penned by in - spi - ra - tion,



Has Scrip-ture ev - er false-hood taught? No! Then this word must  
Christ Je - sus, to this sin - ful earth; His death did for our  
That Je - sus died your soul to win? No, it was grace, and  
What in His Word our God com-mands, Our faith in what our



true re - main: By grace you too will life ob - tain.  
sins a - tone, And we are saved by grace a - lone.  
grace a - lone, That brought Him from His heav'n - ly throne.  
God has done De - pends on grace— grace through His Son.

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

### Notes or Questions for Pastor:

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Miss a sermon, need some inspiration, need a review of church doctrine (teachings), check out Pastor's blog at:  
<http://rabswritings.blogspot.com/> or Pastor Mendez's blog at: <https://pastormendez.blogspot.com/>  
(Stand)

## APOSTLES' CREED

**G** I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker 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 to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life  $\text{✠}$  everlasting. Amen.

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

(Sit)

## OFFERING

(Stand)

## OFFERTORY



**C** What shall I ren - der to the Lord for all His ben - e-fits to  
me? I will of-fer the sac-ri - fice of thanks - giv - ing and will  
call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-  
va-tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my  
vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo - ple, in the  
courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je-ru - sa - lem.

## + SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +

## 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.

## PROPER PREFACE

**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, who, having created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people. 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



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of  
pow'r and might: Heav'n 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.

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

- 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.

## 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.

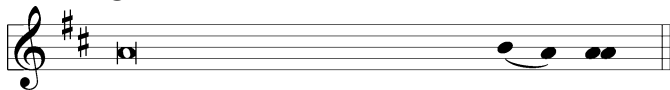
## THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

- 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  $\text{I}^{\text{c}}$  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  $\text{I}^{\text{c}}$  blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."



## PAX DOMINI



**P** The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



**G** A - men.

## AGNUS DEI



**G** Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world;



have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the



sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of



God, You take a - way the sin of the world;



grant us peace, grant us peace.

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## DISTRIBUTION

### DISTRIBUTION HYMN #1

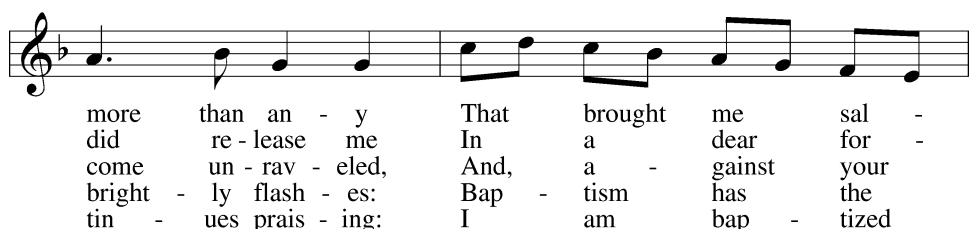
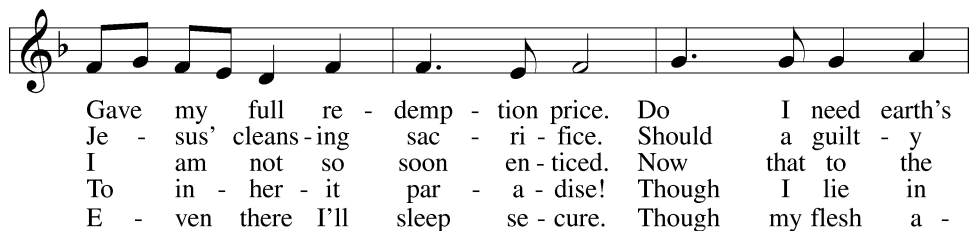
#594 - God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It



1 God's own child, I glad - ly say it: I am bap-tized  
2 Sin, dis - turb my soul no long - er: I am bap-tized  
3 Sa - tan, hear this proc - la - ma - tion: I am bap-tized  
4 Death, you can - not end my glad-ness: I am bap-tized  
5 There is noth - ing worth com-par - ing To this life-long



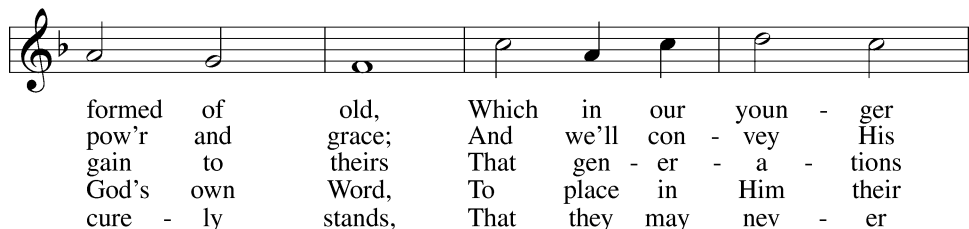
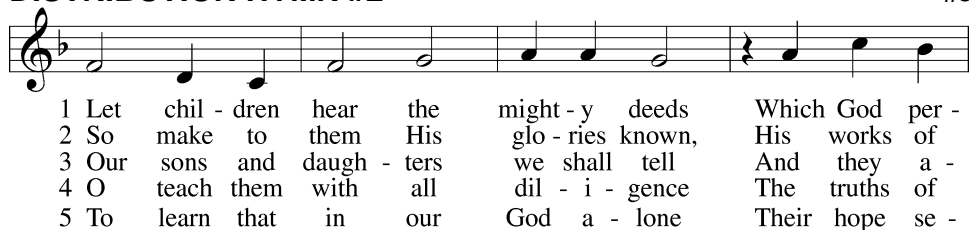
in - to Christ! He, be - cause I could not pay it,  
in - to Christ! I have com - fort e - ven strong - er:  
in - to Christ! Drop your ug - ly ac - cu - sa - tion,  
in - to Christ! When I die, I leave all sad - ness  
com - fort sure! O - pen - eyed my grave is star - ing:



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#867 - Let Children Hear the Mighty Deeds



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## DISTRIBUTION HYMN #3

#623 - Lord Jesus Christ, We Humbly Pray



1 Lord Je - sus Christ, we hum - bly pray That we may  
2 Give us, who share this won - drous food, Your bod - y  
3 By faith Your Word has made us bold To seize the  
4 One bread, one cup, one bod - y, we, Re - joic - ing  
5 Lord Je - sus Christ, we hum - bly pray: O keep us



feast on You to - day; Be - neath these forms of  
bro - ken and Your blood, The grate - ful peace of  
gift of love re - told; All that You are we  
in our u - ni - ty, Pro - claim Your love un -  
stead - fast till that day When each will be Your



bread and wine En - rich us with Your grace di - vine.  
sins for - giv'n, The cer - tain joys of heirs of heav'n.  
here re - ceive, And all we are to You we give.  
til You come To bring Your scat - tered loved ones home.  
wel - comed guest In heav - en's high and ho - ly feast.

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(Stand)

## THANK THE LORD



**C** Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev - 'ry-one what



He has done. Let ev - 'ry-one who seeks 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 -

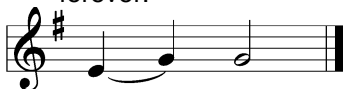


giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

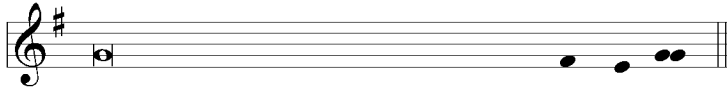
**A** Let us pray.

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** A - men.

## 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** A - men.

## CLOSING HYMN

#669 - Come, We That Love the Lord



1 Come, we that love the Lord, And let our joys be  
 2 Let those re - fuse to sing Who nev - er knew our  
 3 The hill of Zi - on yields A thou - sand sa - cred  
 4 Then let our songs a - bound, And ev - 'ry tear be



known; Join in a song with sweet ac - cord,  
 God; But chil - dren of the heav'n - ly King,  
 sweets Be - fore we reach the heav'n - ly fields,  
 dry; We're march - ing through Em - man - uel's ground,



Join in a song with sweet ac - cord And thus sur -  
 But chil - dren of the heav'n - ly King May speak their  
 Be - fore we reach the heav'n - ly fields, Or walk the  
 We're march - ing through Em - man - uel's ground To fair - er



round the throne, And thus sur-round the throne.  
 joys a - broad, May speak their joys a - broad.  
 gold - en streets, Or walk the gold - en streets.  
 worlds on high, To fair - er worlds on high.



*Refrain*  
 We're march - ing to Zi - on, Beau - ti - ful, beau - ti - ful Zi - on;



We're march-ing up-ward to Zi - on, The beau-ti-ful cit-y of God.

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