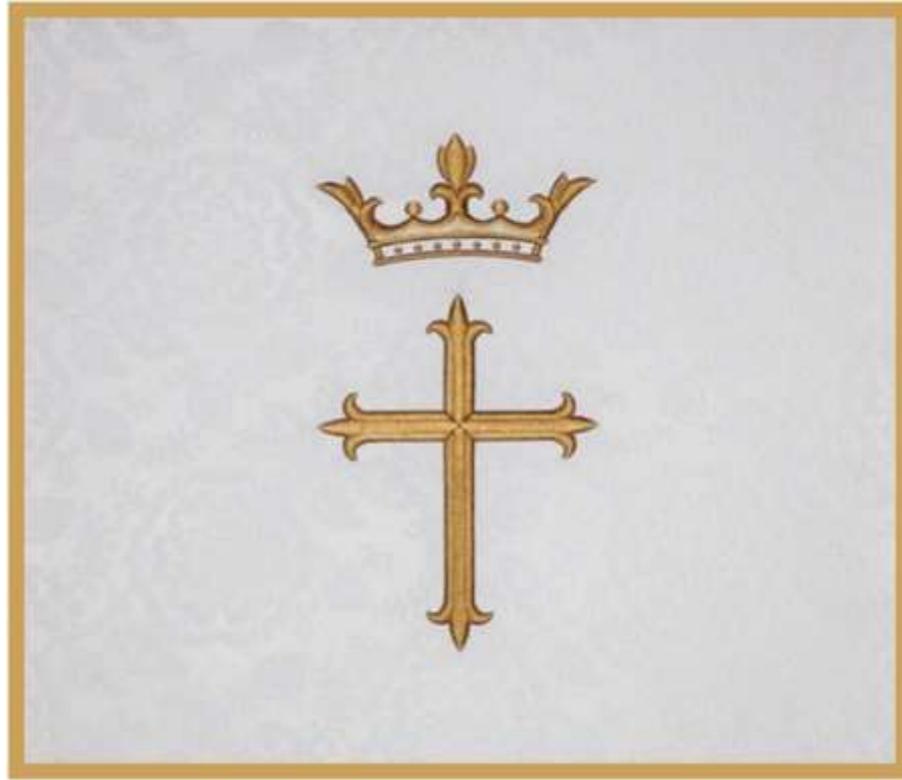


*Welcome to
Worship at
Zion Lutheran Church*

Sunday, February 19, 2023 9:00 am

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+ GATHERING +

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

*Welcome
and
Announcements*

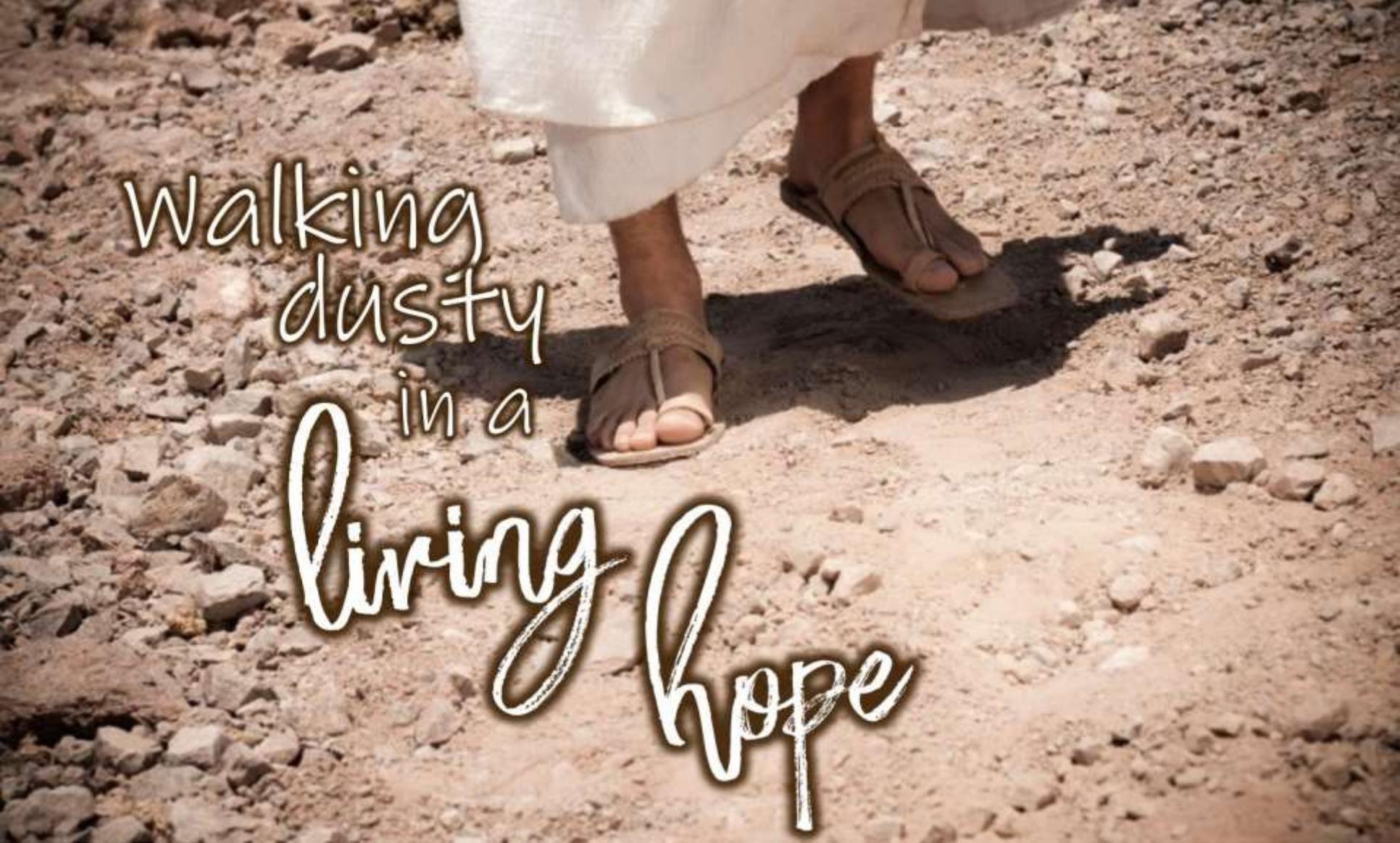




*Ash
Wednesday*
Worship Service

**February 22
at 6:15 pm**

No meal before the
Ash Wednesday service

A close-up photograph of a person's lower legs and feet. They are wearing a white, flowing robe and simple, brown, flat sandals. They are walking on a dry, dusty, and rocky path. The ground is composed of small stones and loose soil. The lighting is bright, casting a shadow of the person's feet onto the ground.

walking
dusty
in a
living hope

**Every Wednesday in March
Meal at 5:00 pm
Lenten Worship at 6:15 pm**

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

ELW #834 vv. 1, 3, 4

Text: Walter Chalmers Smith, 1824-1908, alt. Music: Welsh traditional, arr. John Roberts, 1807-1876. Public Domain.

- 1. Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
most blessed, most glorious,
the ancient of days,
almighty, victorious,
thy great name we praise!**

**3. To all, life thou givest,
to both great and small;
in all life thou livest,
the true life of all;
we blossom and flourish
like leaves on the tree,
and wither and perish,
but naught changeth thee.**

**4. Thou reignest in glory;
 thou dwellest in light;
 thine angels adore thee,
 all veiling their sight;
 all laud we would render;
 oh, help us to see
 'tis only the splendor of light hideth thee!**

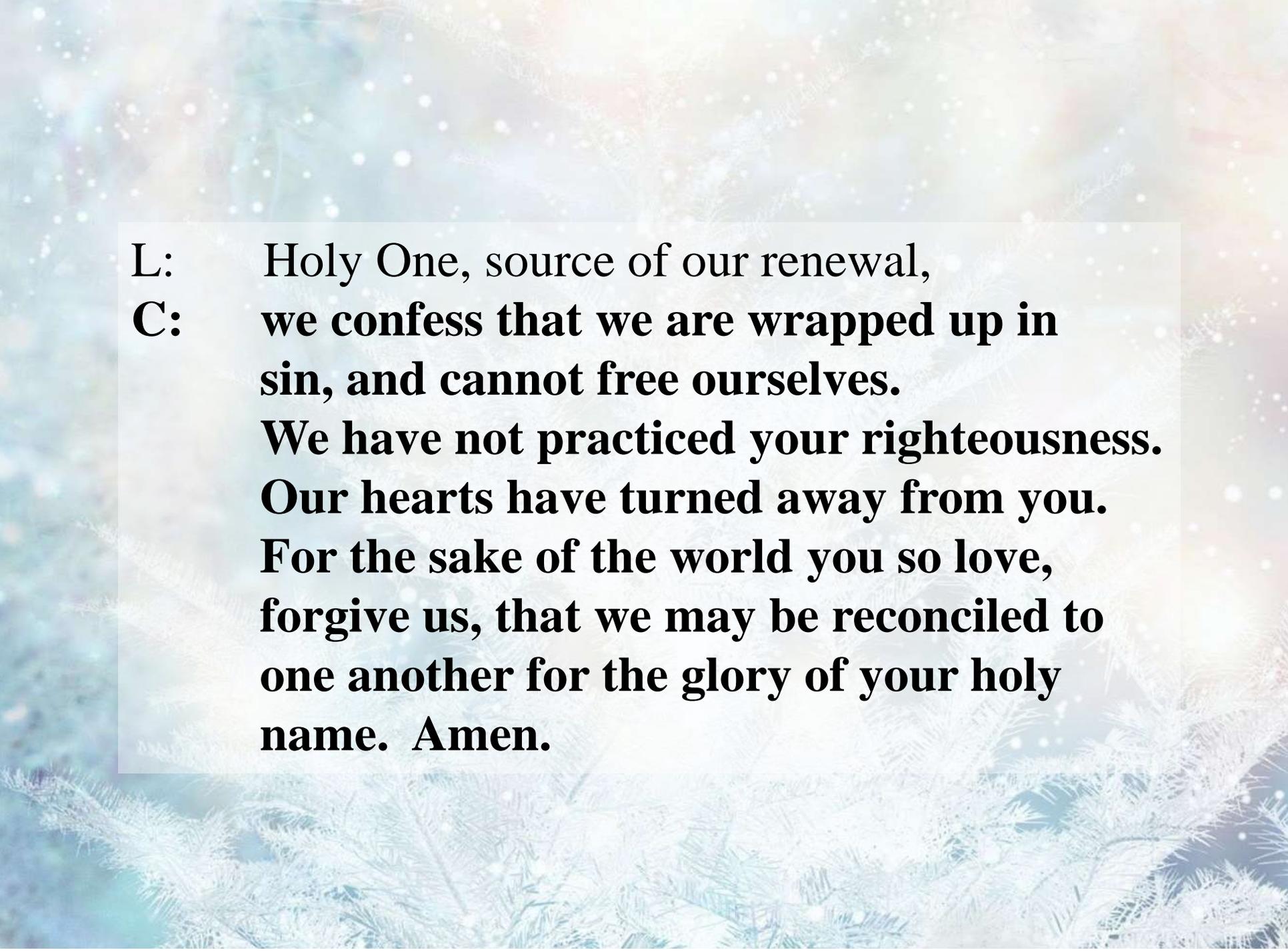
Confession and Forgiveness

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God,
who makes all things new,
whose mercy endures forever.

C: **Amen.**

L: Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.



L: Holy One, source of our renewal,
C: **we confess that we are wrapped up in sin, and cannot free ourselves. We have not practiced your righteousness. Our hearts have turned away from you. For the sake of the world you so love, forgive us, that we may be reconciled to one another for the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

L: Thus says our God:
“The former things have come to pass
and new things I now declare.”
God’s mercy makes us new.
We are forgiven in the name of ✝ Christ
our Savior

C: **Amen.**

Greeting

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

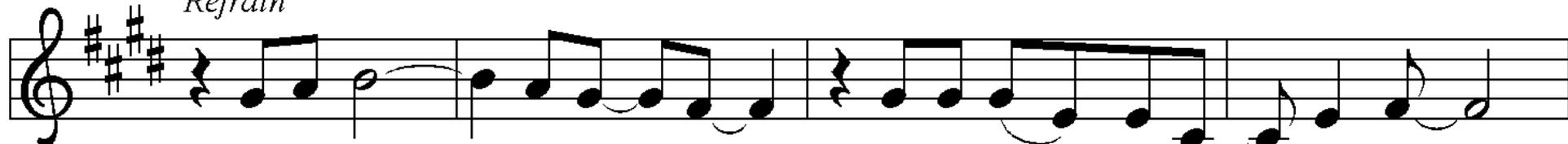
C: And also with you.

Kyrie

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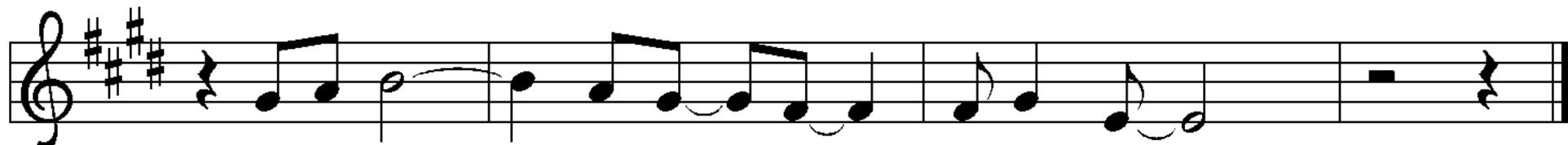
All:

Refrain



Musical notation for the first line of the refrain. It features a treble clef, a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#), and a 4/4 time signature. The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes with slurs. The lyrics are: Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, on our world and on our way.

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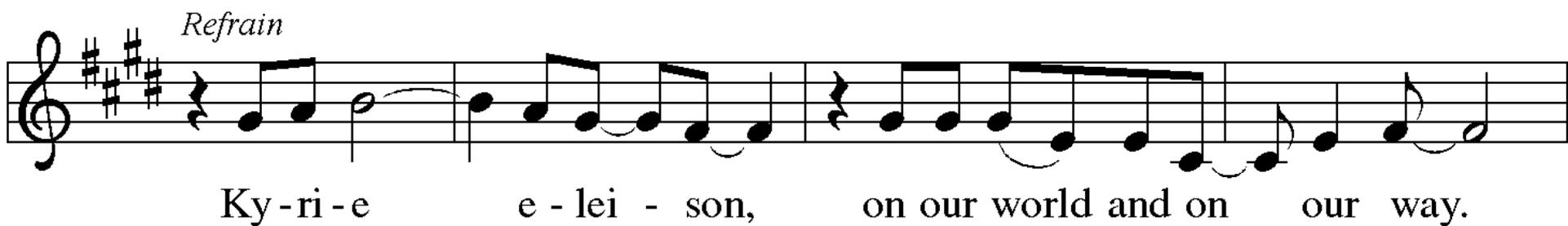
Musical notation for the second line of the refrain. It continues the melody from the first line. The lyrics are: Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, ev-'ry day.

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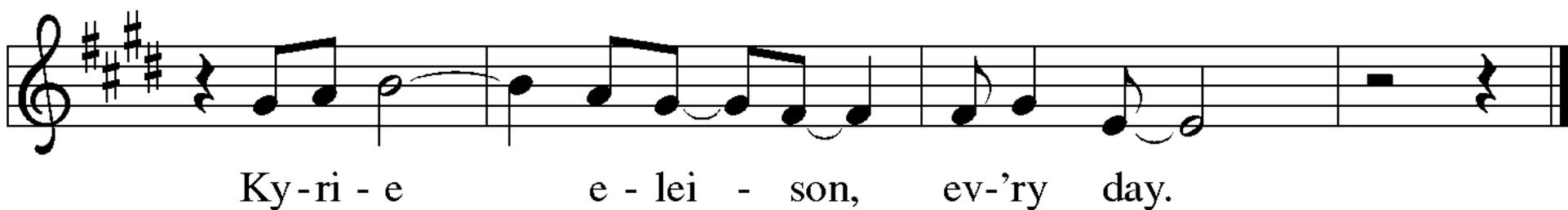
Cantor: For peace in the world,
for the health of the church,
for the unity of all;
for this holy house,
for all who worship and praise,
let us pray to the Lord,
let us pray to the Lord.

All:

Refrain



Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, on our world and on our way.



Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, ev-'ry day.

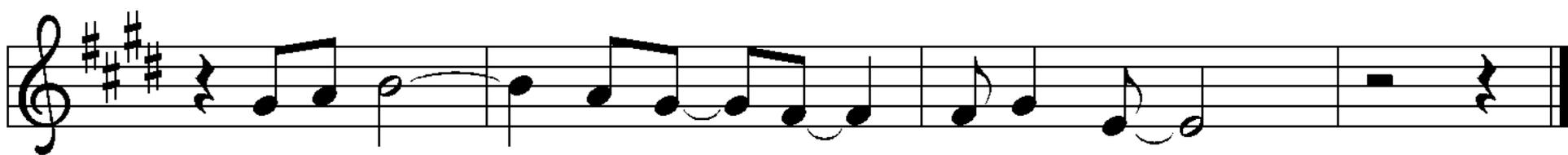
Cantor: That we may live out
your impassioned response
to the hungry and the poor;
that we may live out
truth and justice and grace,
let us pray to the Lord,
let us pray to the Lord.

All:

Refrain



Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, on our world and on our way.



Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, ev-'ry day.

Cantor: For peace in our hearts,
for peace in our homes,
for friends and family;
for life and for love,
for our work and our play,
let us pray to the Lord,
let us pray to the Lord.

All:

Refrain

Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, on our world and on our way.

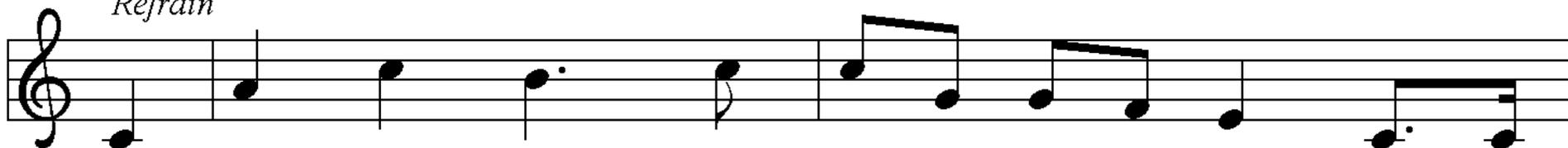
Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, ev-'ry day.

Cantor: For your Spirit to guide;
that you center our lives
in the water and the word;
that you nourish our souls
with your body and blood,
let us pray to the Lord,
let us pray to the Lord.

Hymn of Praise

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Refrain



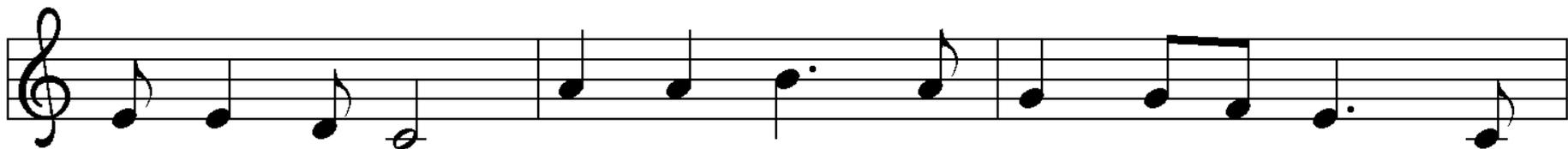
This is the feast of vic - t'ry for our God, for the



Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.



1 Wor- thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be



peo- ple of God. Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and



Refrain

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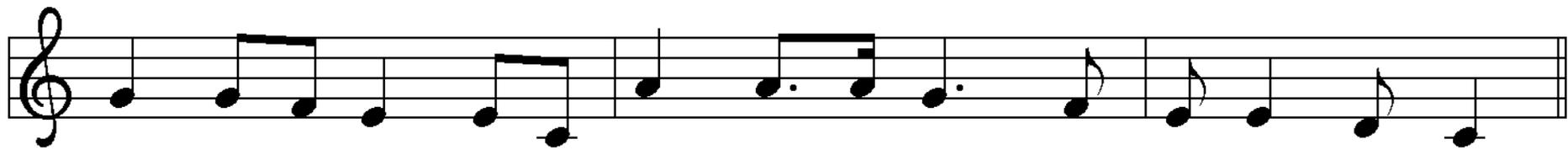
vic-t'ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign. Al -



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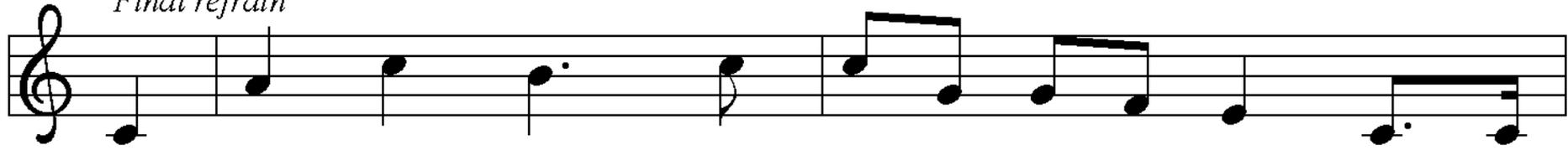


join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,



glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

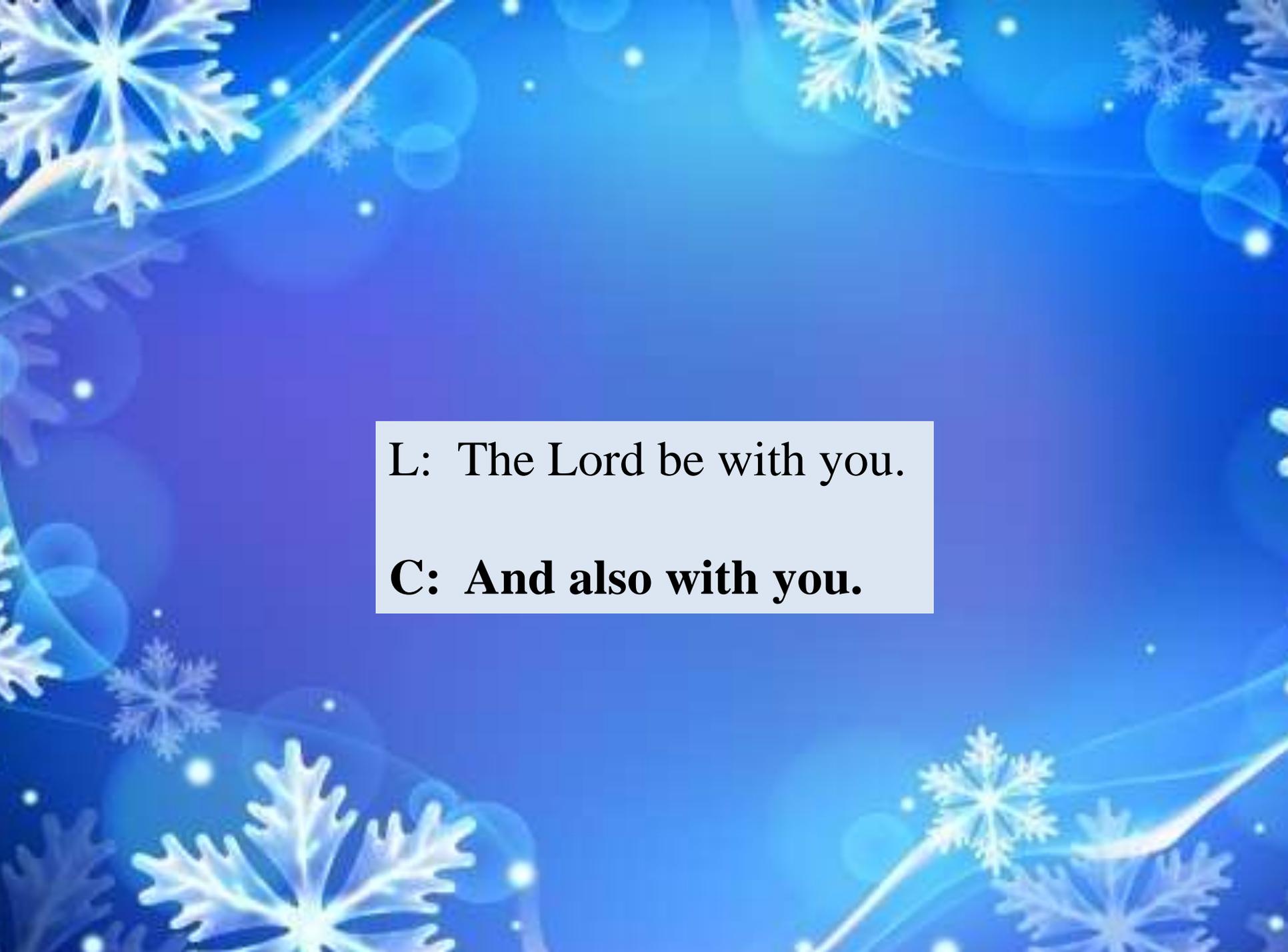
Final refrain



This is the feast of vic - t'ry for our God, for the



Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.



L: The Lord be with you.

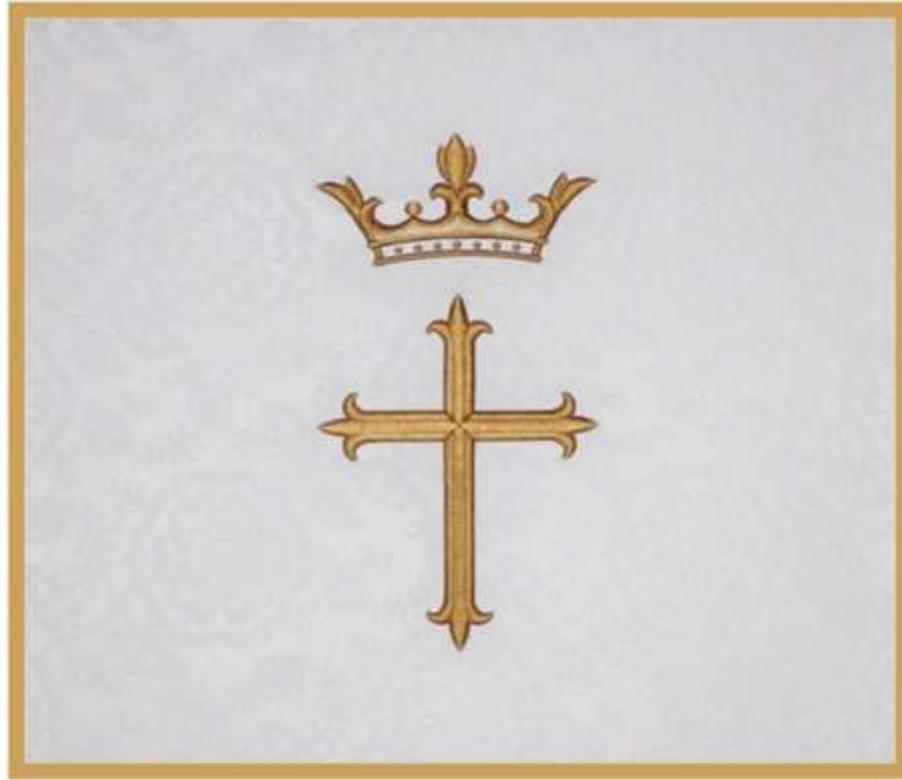
C: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

L: Let us pray.

O God, in the transfiguration of your Son you confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the witness of Moses and Elijah, and in the voice from the bright cloud declaring Jesus your beloved Son, you foreshadowed our adoption as your children.

C: **Make us heirs with Christ of your glory, and bring us to enjoy its fullness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**



+ WORD +

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

Children's Message



A large pile of various coins, including pennies, nickels, dimes, and quarters, is scattered across a white surface. In the foreground, two hands are visible, holding a stack of coins. The left hand holds a thick stack of coins, while the right hand holds a single coin. The background is filled with a dense, out-of-focus pile of coins, creating a sense of abundance and noise.

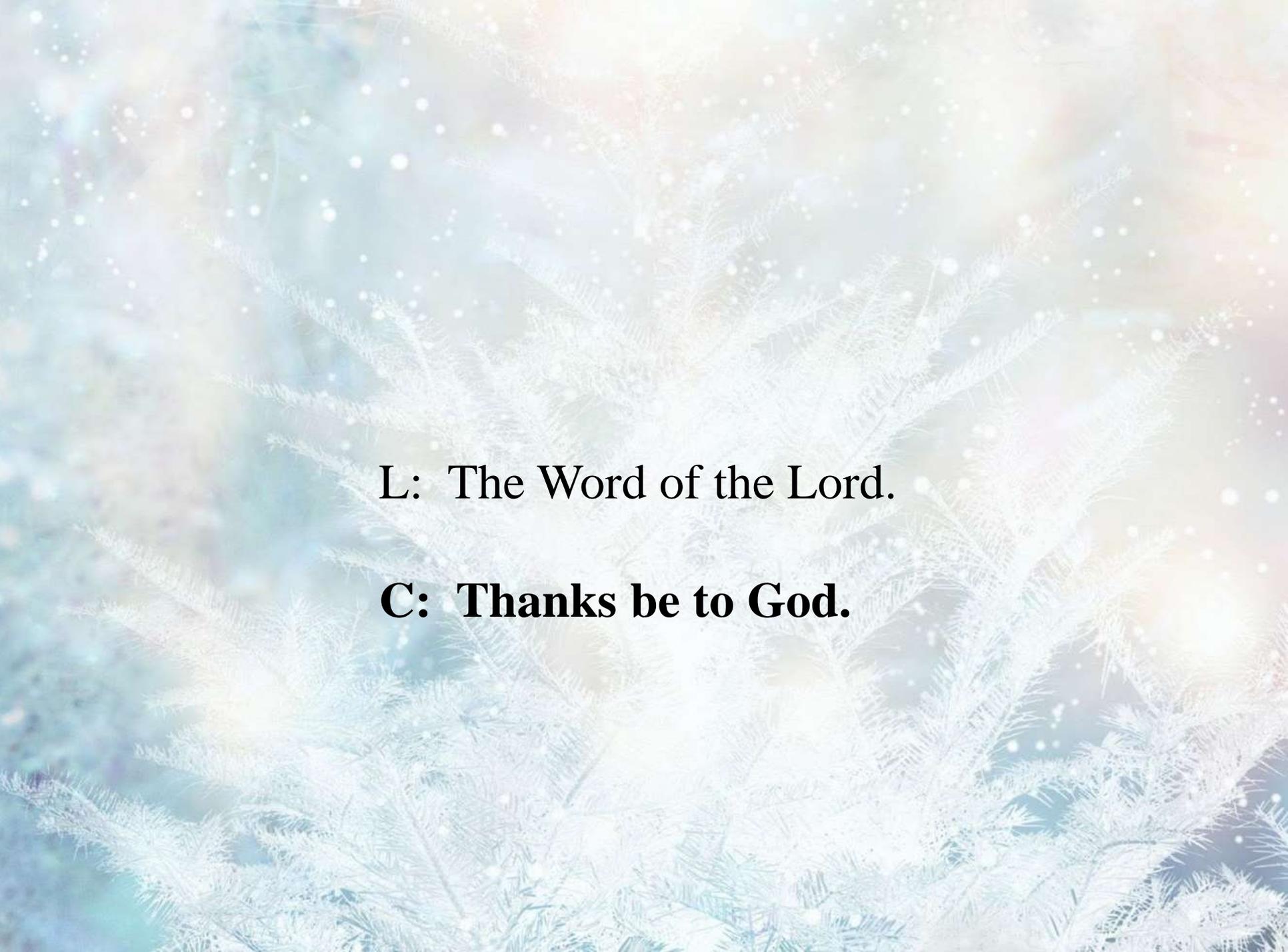
Noisy Offering

First Reading: Exodus 24:12-18

At Mount Sinai, Moses experienced the presence of God for forty days and forty nights. The “glory of the LORD” settled on the mountain, and on the seventh day God called out to Moses. On the mountain God gave Moses the stone tablets inscribed with the ten commandments.

¹²The LORD said to Moses, “Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction.” ¹³So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. ¹⁴To the elders he had said, “Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them.”

¹⁵Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. ¹⁶The glory of the LORD settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. ¹⁷Now the appearance of the glory of the LORD was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. ¹⁸Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.



L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 2

L: ¹Why are the nations in an uproar?

Why do the peoples mutter empty threats?

C: ²**Why do the kings of the earth rise up in revolt, and the princes plot together, against the LORD and against the LORD's anointed?**

L: ³“Let us break their yoke,” they say;
“let us cast off their bonds from us.”

C: ⁴**God whose throne is in heaven is laughing; the LORD holds them in derision.**

L: ⁵Then in wrath God speaks to them,
and in rage fills them with terror.

**C: ⁶“As for me, I have anointed my king
upon Zion, my holy mountain.”**

L: ⁷Let me announce the decree of the LORD,
who said to me, “You are my son; this day have
I begotten you.

**C: ⁸Ask of me, and I will give you the nations for
your inheritance and the ends of the earth
for your possession.**

L: ⁹You shall crush them with an iron rod
and shatter them like a piece of pottery.”

**C: ¹⁰And now, you kings, be wise;
be warned, you rulers of the earth.**

L: ¹¹Submit to the LORD with fear,
and with trembling bow in worship;

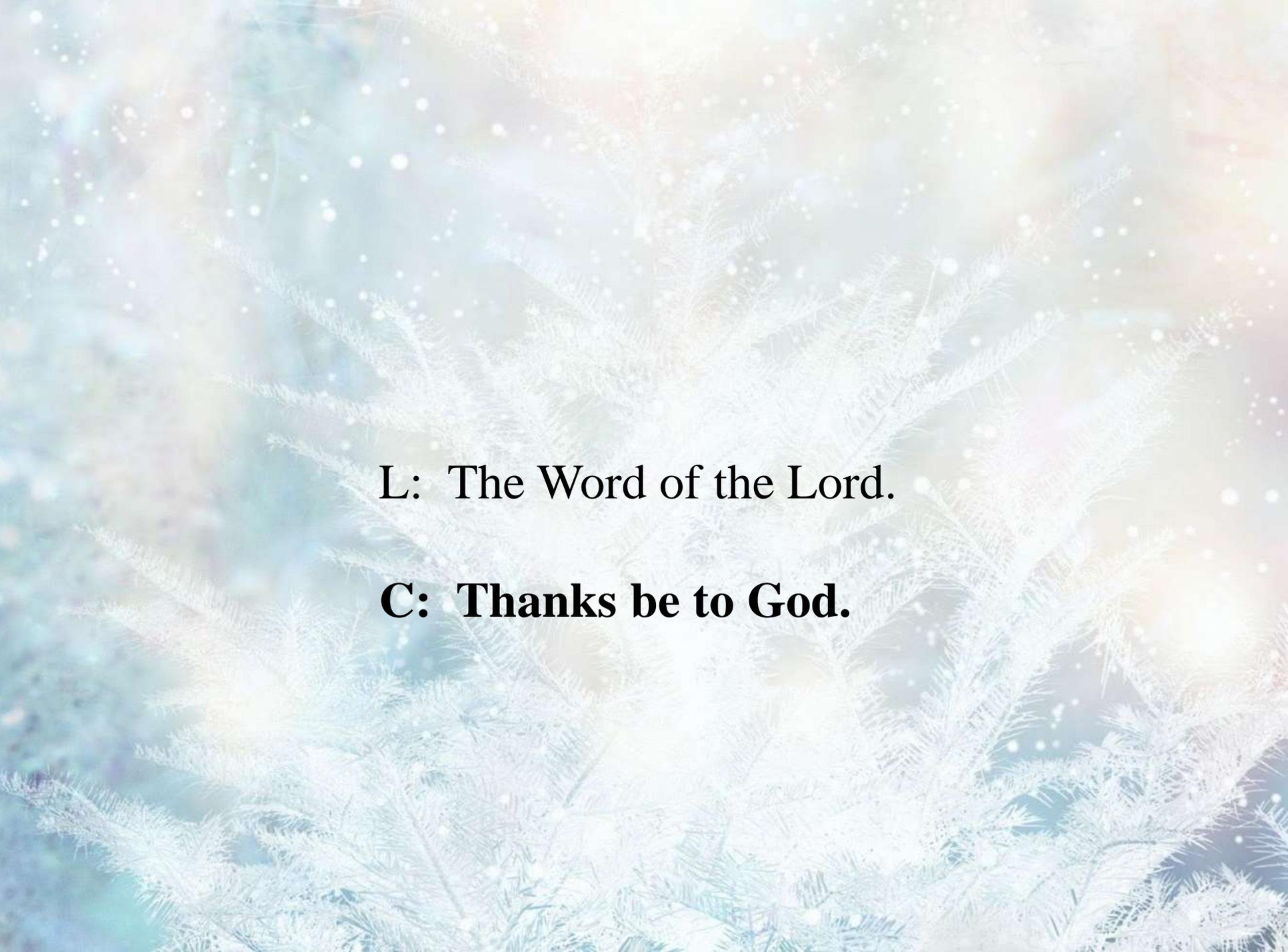
**C: ¹²lest the LORD be angry, and you perish in a
sudden blaze of wrath. Happy are all who
take refuge in God!**

Second Reading: 2 Peter 1:16-21

At the transfiguration, God's voice was heard, declaring Jesus to be the beloved Son. By the activity of the Holy Spirit, God's voice continues to be heard through the word of scripture.

¹⁶For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. ¹⁷For he received honor and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, “This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.” ¹⁸We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain.

¹⁹So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. ²⁰First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, ²¹because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.



L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

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Al-le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the



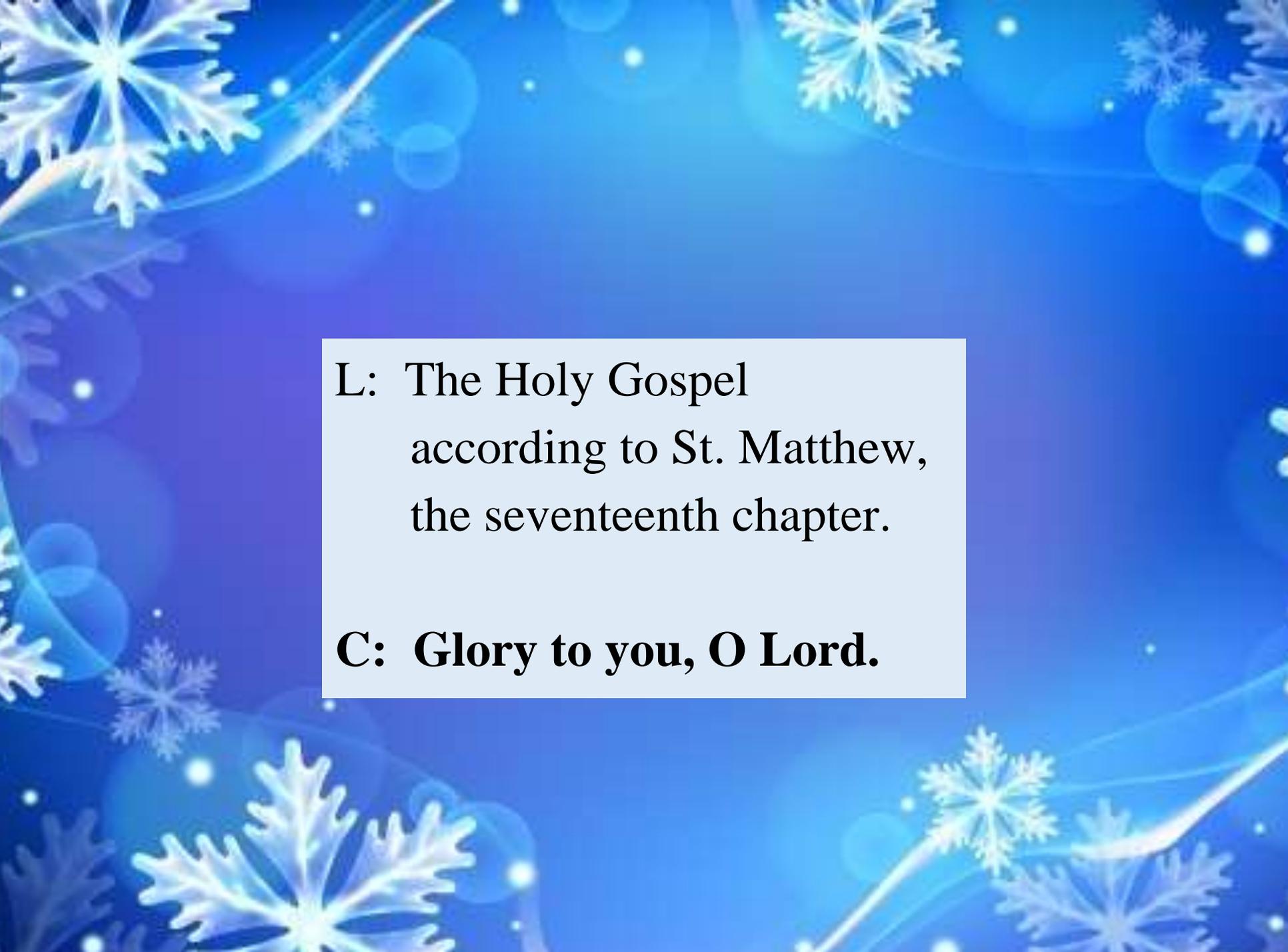
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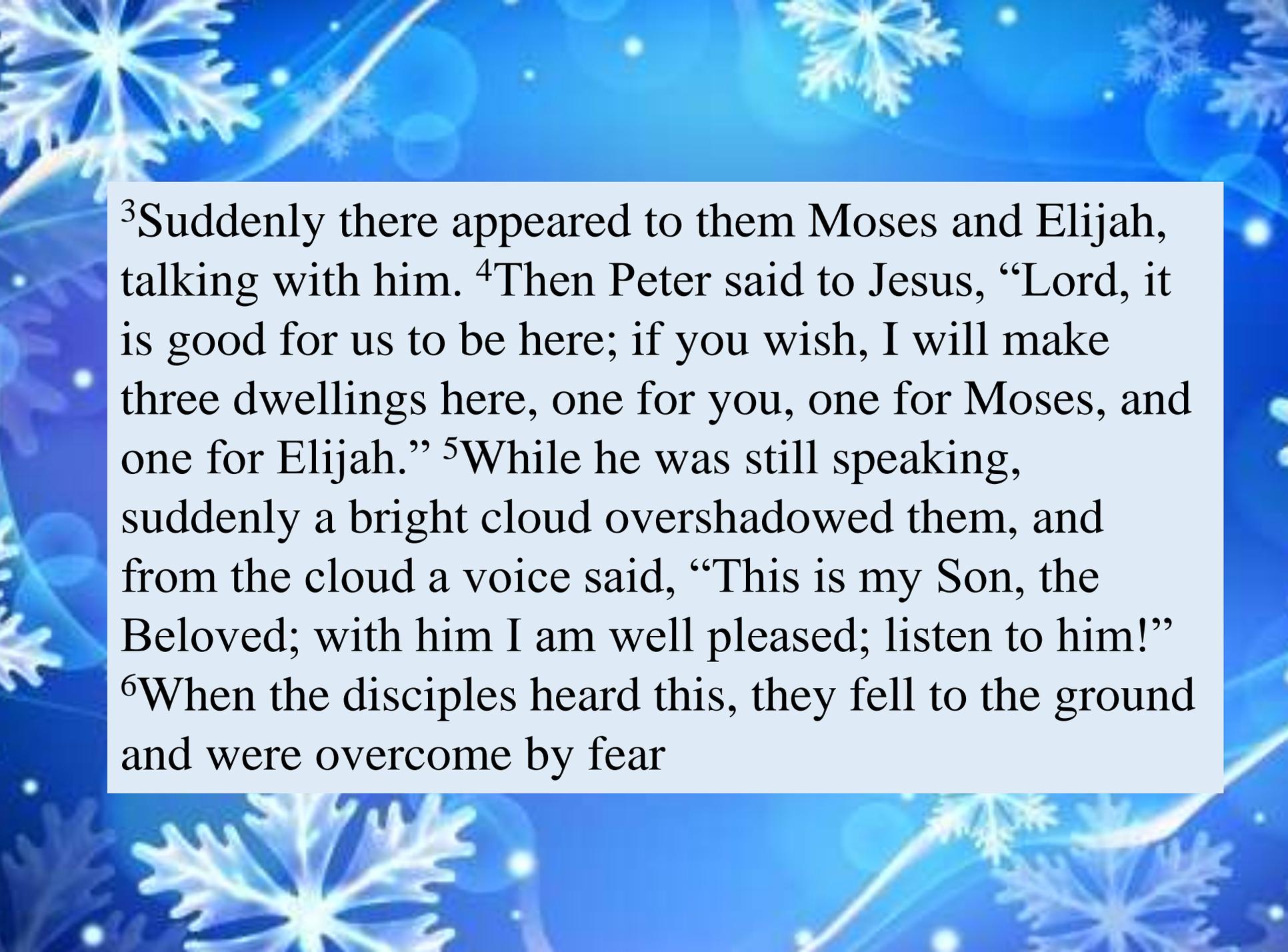
L: The Holy Gospel
according to St. Matthew,
the seventeenth chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

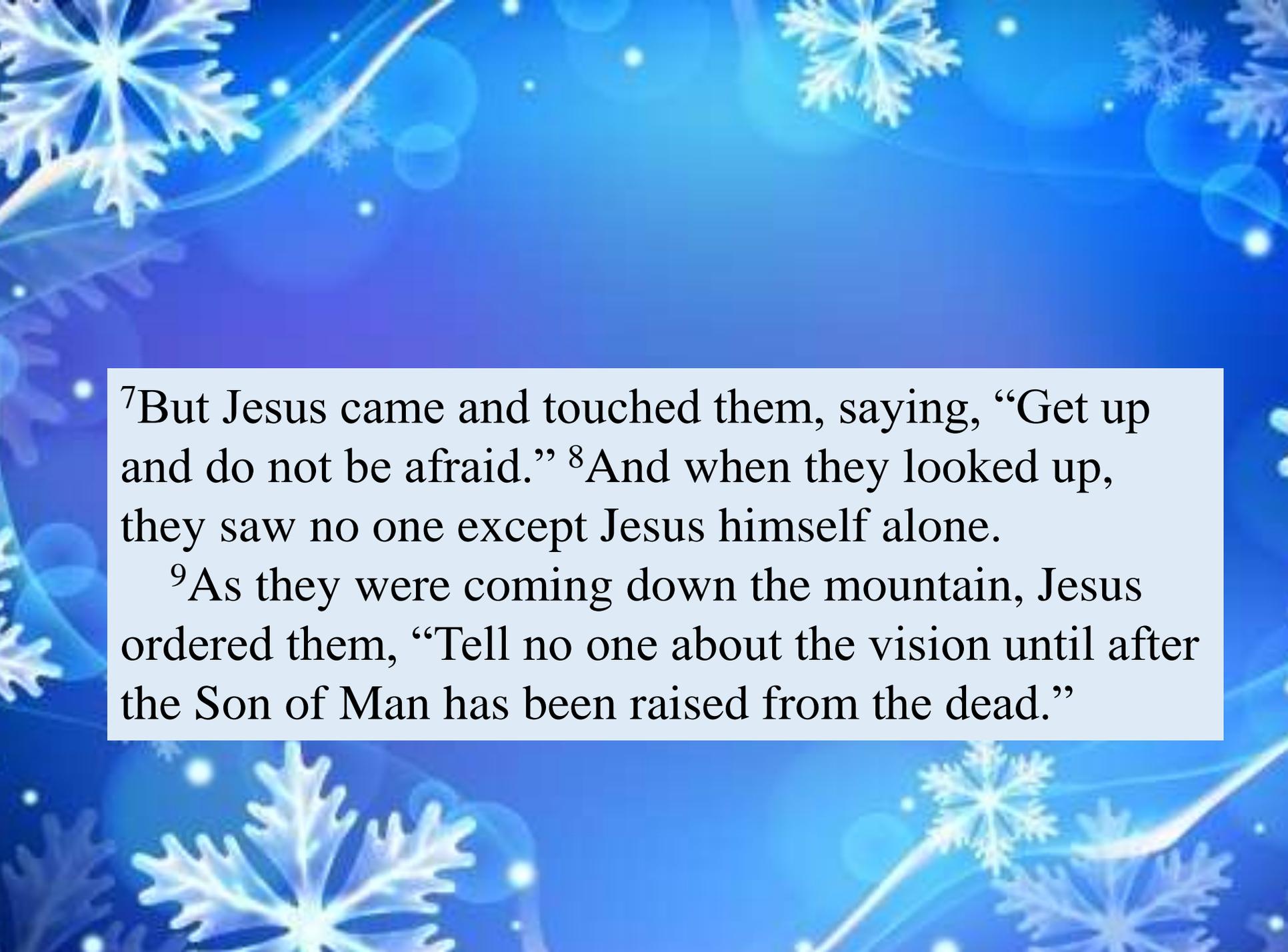
Gospel: Matthew 17:1-9

Shortly before he enters Jerusalem, where he will be crucified, Jesus is revealed to Peter, James, and John in a mountaintop experience of divine glory called the transfiguration.

¹Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. ²And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white.

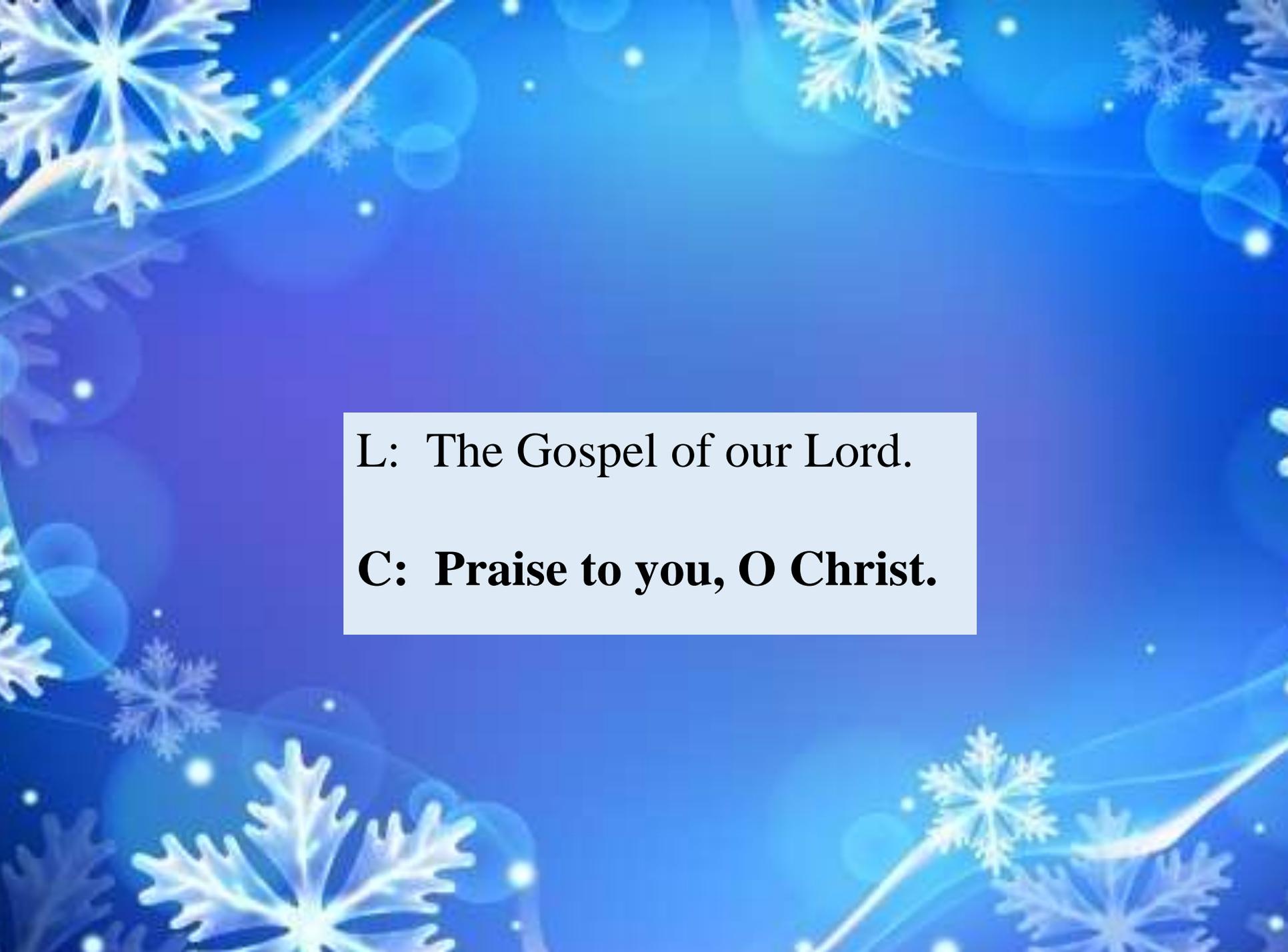


³Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. ⁴Then Peter said to Jesus, “Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.” ⁵While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, “This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!” ⁶When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear



⁷But Jesus came and touched them, saying, “Get up and do not be afraid.” ⁸And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone.

⁹As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, “Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead.”



L: The Gospel of our Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Message

“Listen to Him”





+ RESPONSE TO THE WORD +

O Jesus, I Have Promised

#810

Text: John E. Bode, 1816-1874, alt. Music: *Neuvermehrtes Gesandbuch*, Meiningen, 1693. Public Domain.

- 1. O Jesus, I have promised
to serve you to the end;
remain forever near me,
my master and my friend.
I shall not fear the battle
if you are by my side,
nor wander from the pathway
if you will be my guide.**

**2. Oh, let me feel you near me;
the world is ever near.
I see the sights that dazzle,
the tempting sounds I hear.
My foes are ever near me,
around me and within;
but, Jesus, then draw nearer
to shield my soul from sin.**

**3. Oh, let me hear you speaking
in accents clear and still
above the storms of passion,
the murmurs of self-will.
Now speak to reassure me,
to hasten or control;
now speak and make me listen,
O Guardian of my soul.**

**4. O Jesus, you have promised
to all who follow you
that where you are in glory
your servant shall be too.
And Jesus, I have promised
to serve you to the end;
oh, give me grace to follow,
my master and my friend.**



Apostles' Creed

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ,
God's 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 to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come 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.

Offering



TITHES AND OFFERINGS

We Give Thee but Thine Own

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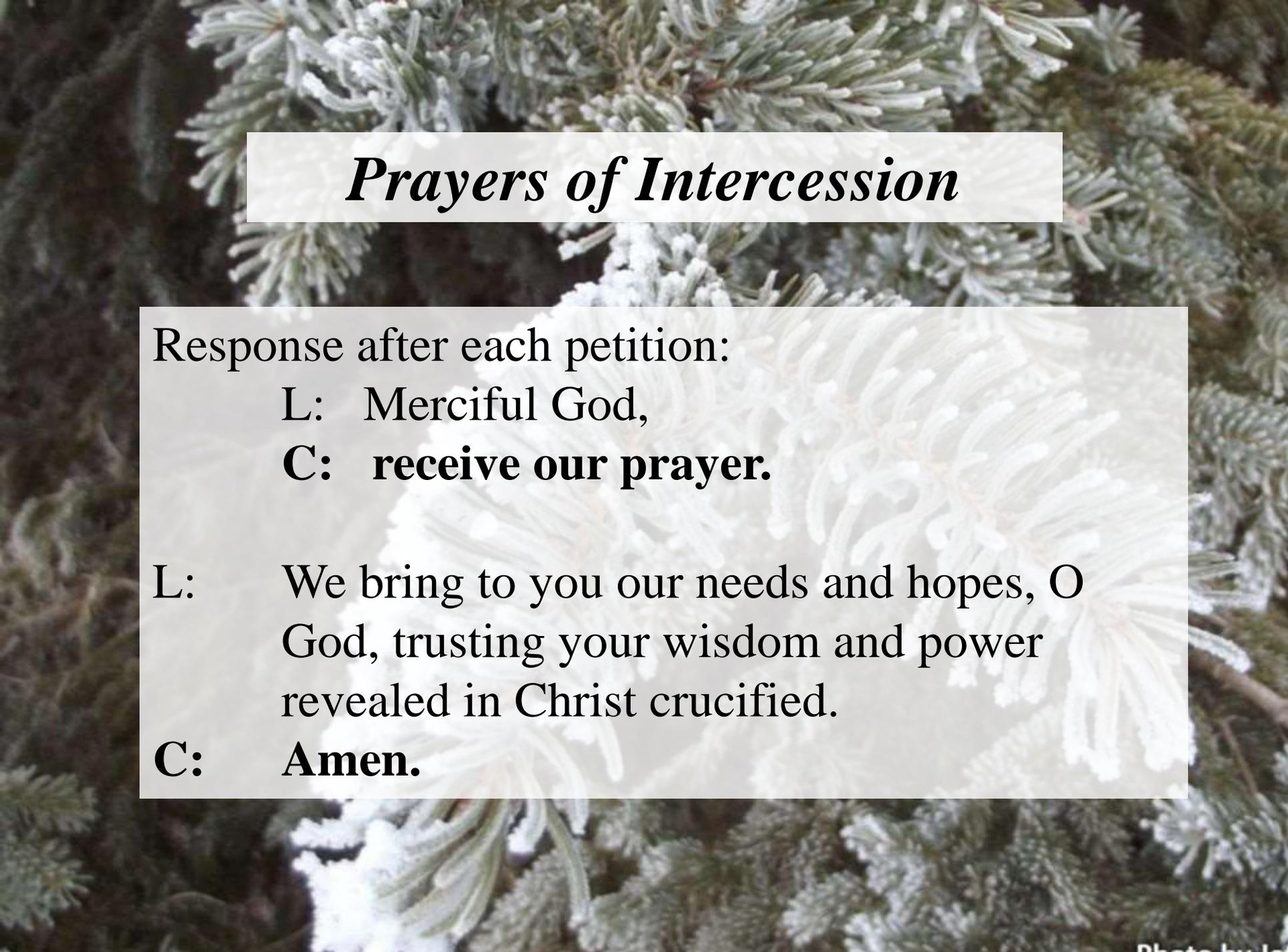
Text: William W. How, 1823-1897, alt. Music: L. Mason and G. Webb, Cantica Lauda, 1850. Public Domain.

- 1. We give thee but thine own,
what-e'er the gift may be;
all that we have is thine alone,
a trust, O Lord, from thee.**

Offering Prayer

L: Liberating God,
you break the bonds of injustice
and let the oppressed go free.
Receive these offerings in thanksgiving
for all your works of merciful power,
and shape us as people of your justice and
freedom. You we magnify and adore, through
Jesus our Savior,

C: **Amen.**



Prayers of Intercession

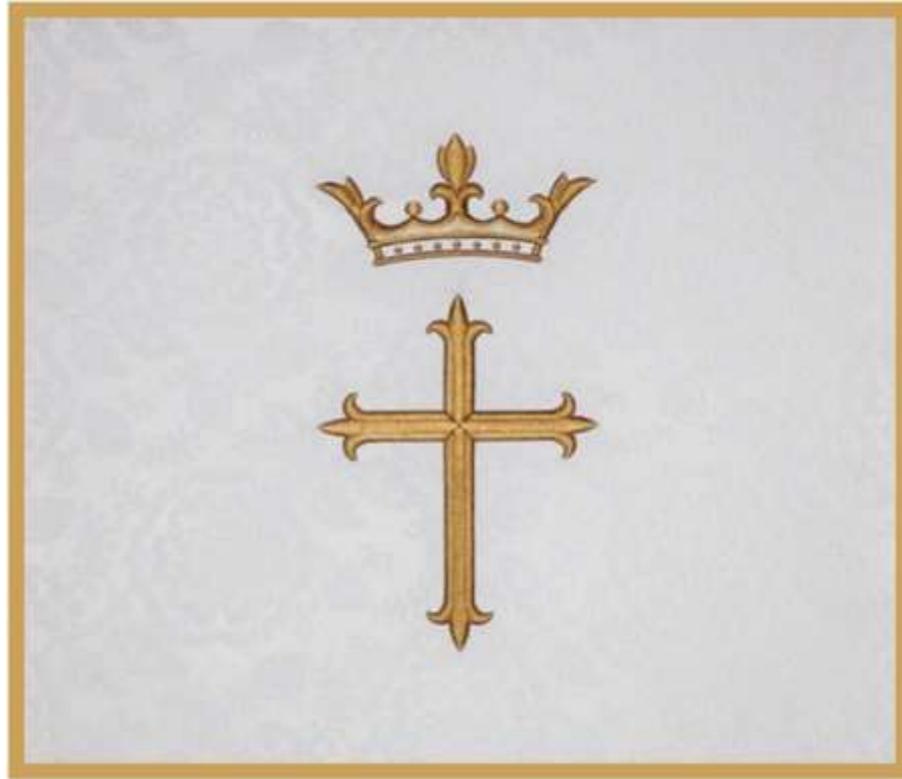
Response after each petition:

L: Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

L: We bring to you our needs and hopes, O God, trusting your wisdom and power revealed in Christ crucified.

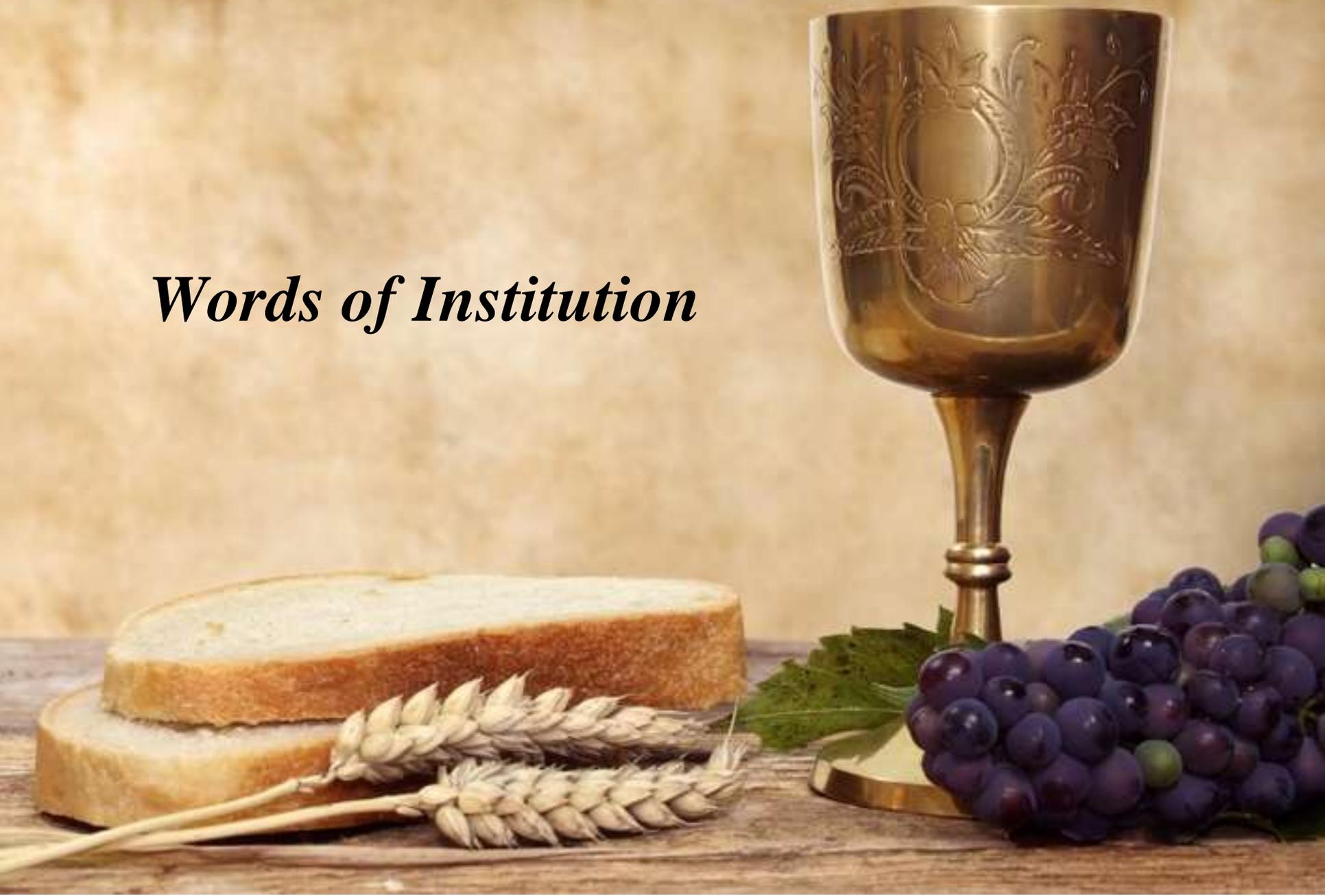
C: Amen.



+ MEAL +

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

Words of Institution



The Lord's Prayer

**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.**

**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.**

Holy Communion

An usher will guide you forward. Wafers or gluten free bread and wine or juice will be offered. You will be served a wafer unless you indicate otherwise. Please take the wine or juice from the tray yourself.





Beautiful Savior

#838

Text: *Gesangbuch*, Munster, 1677; tr. Joseph A. Seiss, 1823-1904. Music: Silesian folk tune, 19th cet. Public Domain.



- 1. Beautiful Savior, King of creation,
Son of God and Son of Man!
Truly I'd love thee, truly I'd serve thee,
light of my soul, my joy, my crown.**





**2. Fair are the meadows,
fair are the woodlands,
robed in flow'rs of blooming spring;
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer;
he makes our sorrowing spirit sing.**





**3. Fair is the sunshine, fair is the moonlight,
bright the sparkling stars on high;
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer
than all the angels in the sky.**





**4. Beautiful Savior, Lord of the nations,
Son of God and Son of Man!
Glory and honor, praise, adoration,
now and forevermore be thine!**



Faith of Our Fathers

ELW #812

Text: Frederick W. Faher, 1814-1863, alt. Music: Henri F. Hemy, 1818-1888; James G. Walton, 1821-1905, refrain. Public Domain.

- 1. Faith of our fathers, living still
In spite of dungeon, fire, and sword.
Oh, how our hearts beat high with joy
whene'er we hear that glorious word.**

**Faith of our fathers, holy faith,
we will be true to thee till death.**

**2. The martyrs, chained in prisons dark,
Were still in heart and conscience free;
And blest would be their children's fate
If they, like them, should die for thee.**

**Faith of our fathers, holy faith,
We will be true to thee till death.**

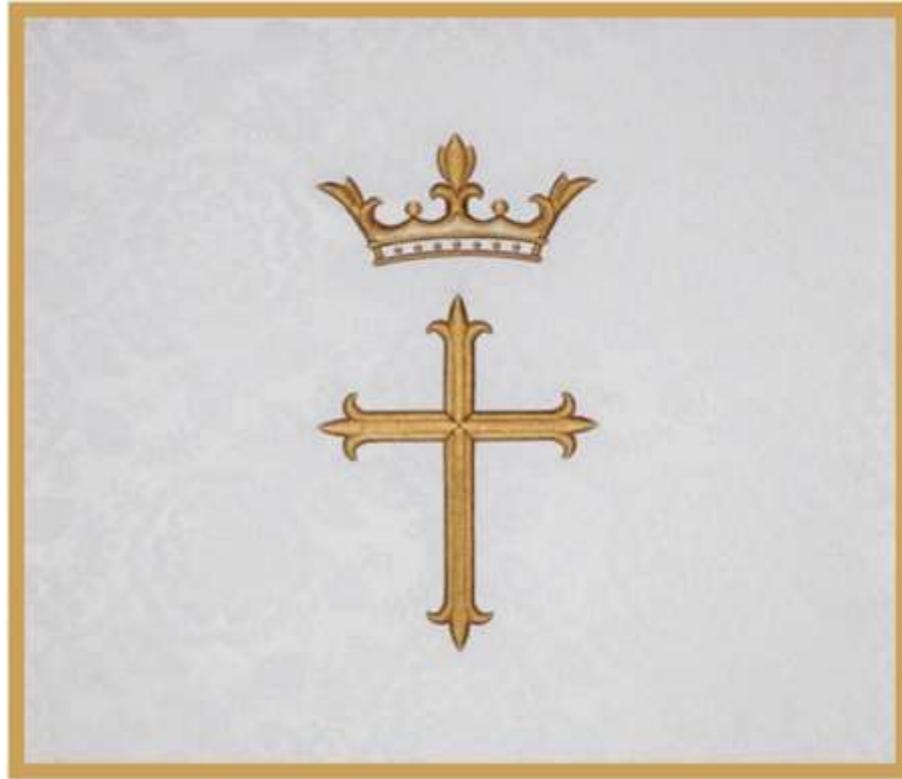
**3. Faith of our fathers! We will love
Both friend and foe in all our strife;
Proclaim thee, too, as love knows how,
By saving word and faithful life.**

**Faith of our fathers, holy faith,
We will be true to thee till death.**

Prayer after Communion

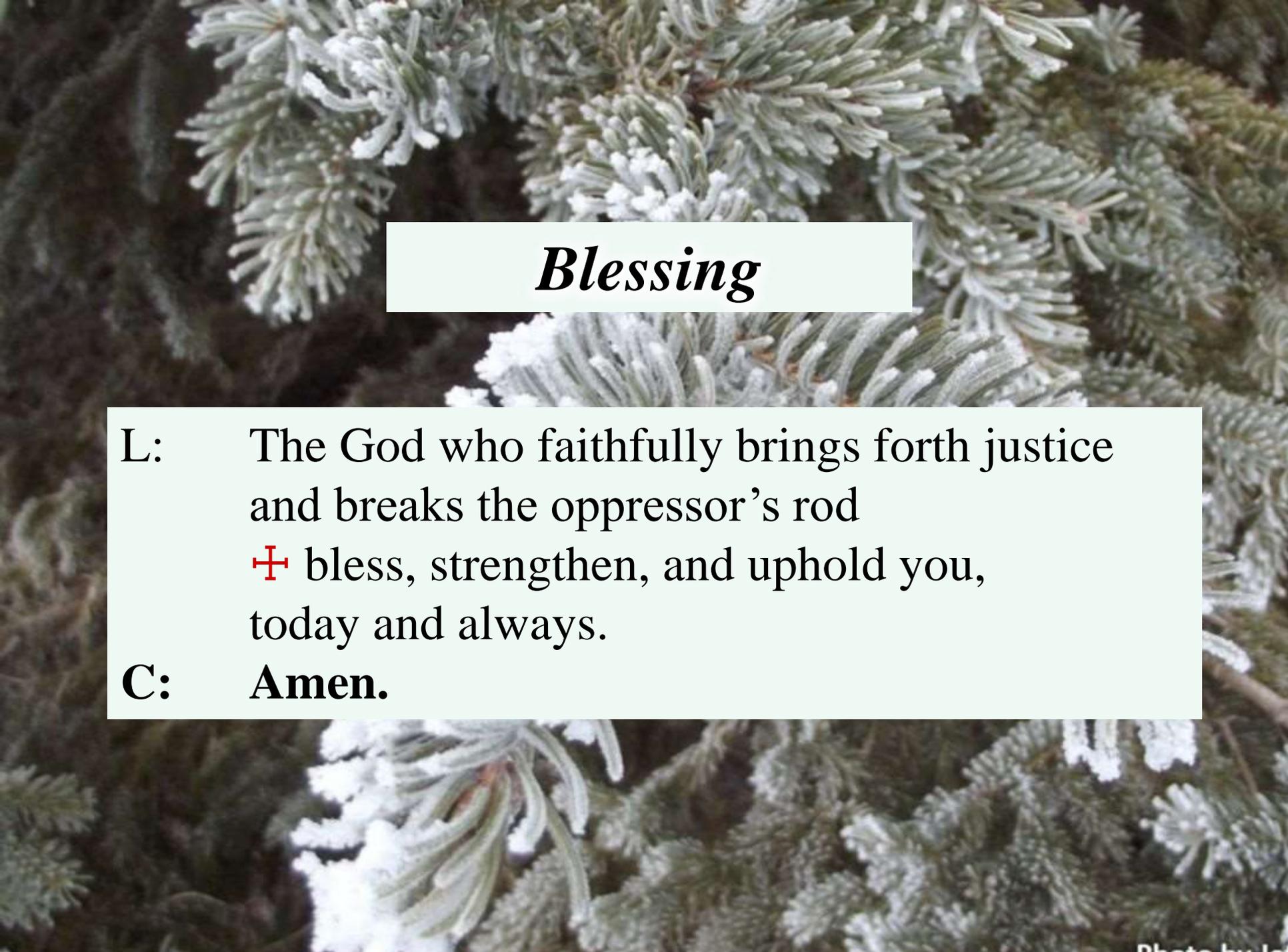
L: Holy One,
we thank you for the healing
that springs forth abundantly from this
table. Renew our strength to do justice,
love kindness, and journey humbly with
you.

C: **Amen.**



+ **SENDING** +

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



Blessing

L: The God who faithfully brings forth justice
and breaks the oppressor's rod
✚ bless, strengthen, and uphold you,
today and always.

C: **Amen.**



Our Mission Statement

**Together in Christ,
We reach up - Worship
We reach in - Discipleship
We reach out - Evangelism...
To the glory of God.**

We Are Marching in the Light

ELW #866

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**We are marching in the light of God,
we are marching in the light of God.
We are marching in the light of God,
we are marching in the light of God.**

**We are marching,
(marching, we are marching, marching,)
we are marching in the light of God.
We are marching,
(marching, we are marching, marching,)
we are marching in the light of God.**

**We are dancing in the light of God,
we are dancing in the light of God.
We are dancing in the light of God,
we are dancing in the light of God.**

**We are dancing,
(dancing, we are dancing, dancing,)
we are dancing in the light of God.
We are dancing,
(dancing, we are dancing, dancing,)
we are dancing in the light of God.**

**We are praying in the light of God,
we are praying in the light of God.
We are praying in the light of God,
we are praying in the light of God.**

**We are praying,
(praying, we are praying, praying,)
we are praying in the light of God.
We are praying,
(praying, we are praying, praying,)
we are praying in the light of God.**

**We are singing in the light of God,
we are singing in the light of God.
We are singing in the light of God,
we are singing in the light of God.**

**We are singing, (singing, we are singing, singing,)
we are singing in the light of God.
We are singing,
(singing, we are singing, singing,)
we are singing in the light of God.**



Dismissal

L: Go in peace. Follow the way of Jesus.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

A giraffe stands in the center of the frame, looking towards the camera. The background is a savanna landscape with a single acacia tree on the right and a cloudy sky. The text is overlaid on the image.

*Thank you
for worshipping
with us today!*

*May God
bless you!*

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