

# It's time to pack shoeboxes!

Check out the display in the Gathering Space for more information and to pick up shoeboxes to fill.

The deadline to drop off completed shoeboxes is November 16.



#### Thrivent Give Thanks and Give Back

#### Food Shelf Challenge now through November 12

Bring food shelf donations into the church between now and November 12.



Make a difference for our local food shelf.

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# Let's meet about Zion's developing youth ministry

November 9 5:30 pm

#### Gather Us In

ELW #532

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1.

Here in this place
the new light is streaming,
now is the darkness vanished away;
see in this space
our fears and our dreamings
brought here to you
in the light of this day.

Gather us in,
the lost and forsaken,
gather us in,
the blind and the lame;
call to us now,
and we shall awaken,
we shall arise
at the sound of our name.

2.

We are the young,
our lives are a myst'ry,
we are the old
who yearn for your face;
we have been sung
throughout all of hist'ry,
called to be light
to the whole human race.

Gather us in,
the rich and the haughty,
gather us in,
the proud and the strong;
give us a heart,
so meek and so lowly,
give us the courage
to enter the song.

**3.** 

Here we will take
the wine and the water,
here we will take
the bread of new birth,
here you shall call
your sons and your daughters,
call us anew
to be salt for the earth.

Give us to drink
the wine of compassion,
give us to eat
the bread that is you;
nourish us well,
and teach us to fashion
lives that are holy
and hearts that are true.

4.

Not in the dark of buildings confining, not in some heaven, light years awayhere in this place the new light is shining, now is the kingdom, and now is the day.

Gather us in and hold us forever, gather us in and make us your own; gather us in, all peoples together, fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

### Confession and Forgiveness

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, in whose image we are made, who claims us and calls us beloved.

C: Amen.

Silence is kept for reflection.

L: Holy One,

C: we confess that we are not awake for you. We are not faithful in using your gifts. We forget the least of our siblings. We do not see your beautiful image in one another.

We are infected by sin that divides your beloved community. Open our hearts to your coming, open our eyes to see you in our neighbor, open our hands to serve your creation. Amen.

L: Beloved, we are God's children, and Jesus, our Beloved, opens the door to us. Through + Jesus you are forgiven, by Jesus you are welcome, in Jesus you are called to rejoice!

Let us live in the promises prepared for us from the foundation of the world.

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

L: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

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

C: Lord have mercy.

L: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

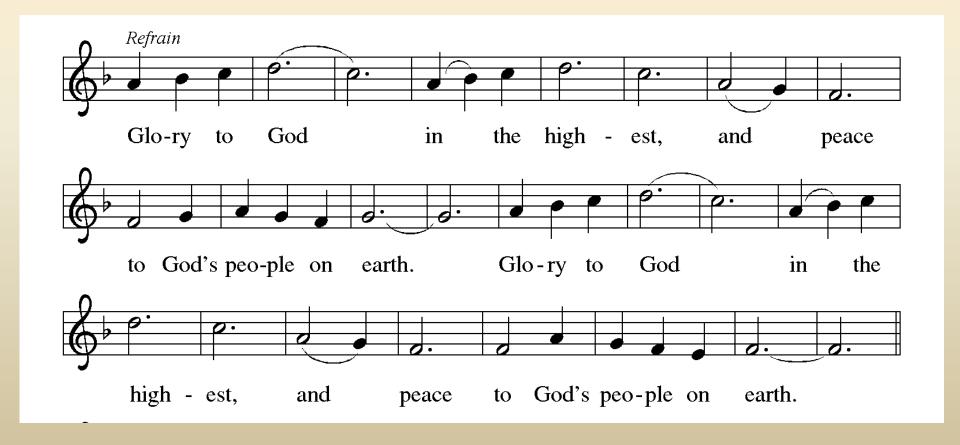
L: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

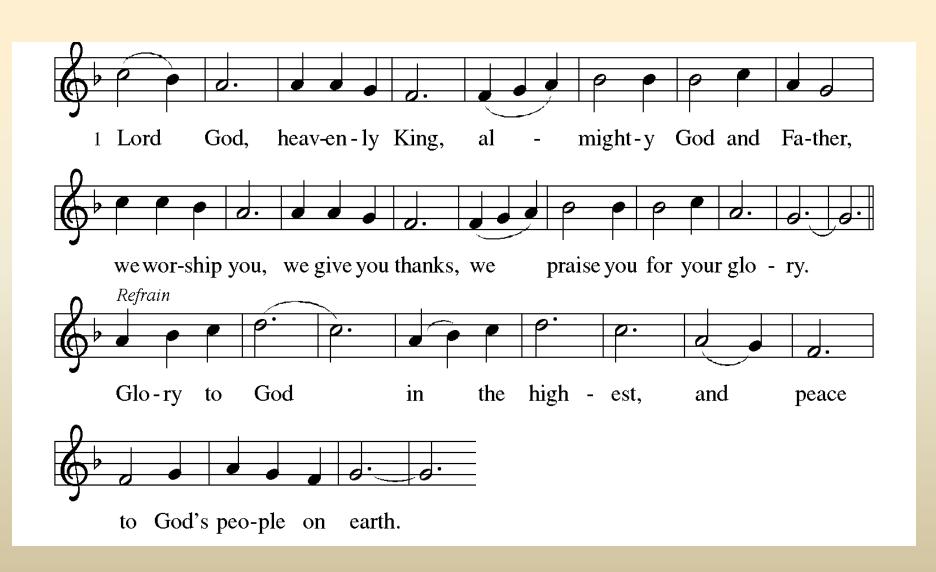
C: Lord, have mercy.

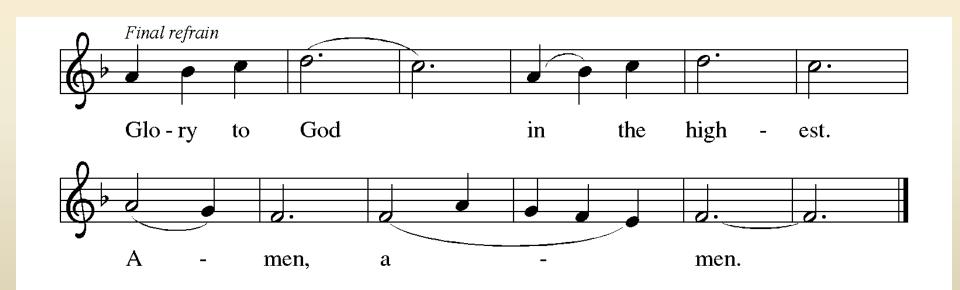
L: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

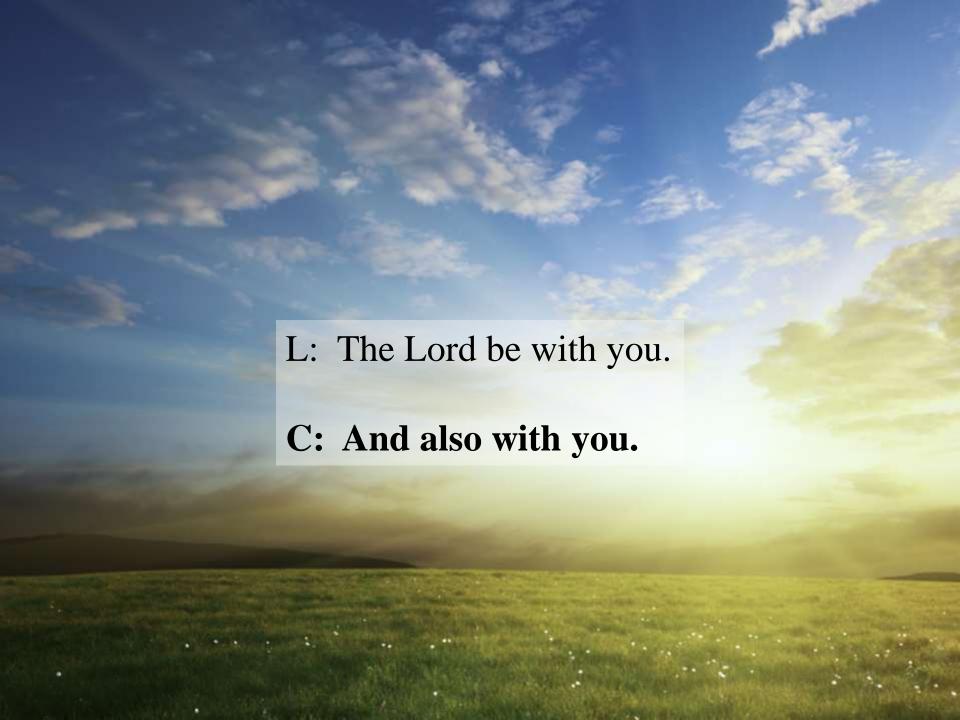
C: Amen.

# Hymn of Praise









## Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, you have knit your people L: together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

#### First Reading: Revelation 7:9-17

The book of Revelation is written to seven churches in western Asia Minor during a time of great oppression. Today's reading is a response to the question asked in 6:17: "Who is able to stand?" The writer gives the faithful the assurance of God's protection and a vision of victory.

<sup>9</sup>After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. <sup>10</sup>They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

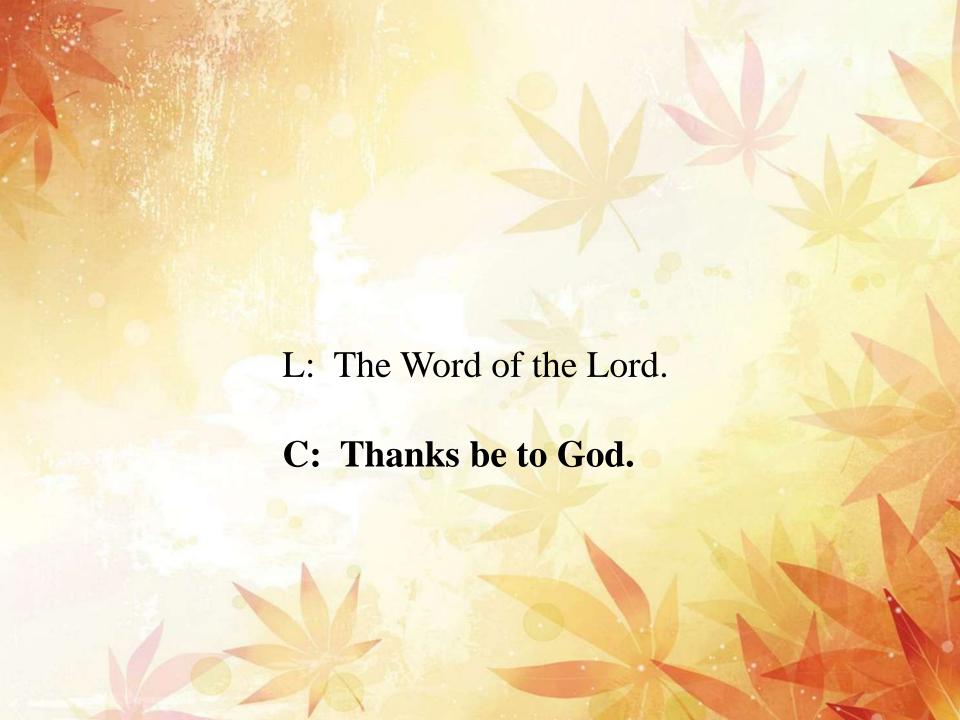
"Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!"

<sup>11</sup>And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, <sup>12</sup>singing,

"Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

<sup>13</sup>Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" <sup>14</sup>I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

- <sup>15</sup>For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.
- <sup>16</sup>They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat;
- <sup>17</sup>for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."



#### Psalm 34:1-10, 22

L: <sup>1</sup>I will bless the LORD at all times; the praise of God shall ever be in my mouth.

C: <sup>2</sup>I will glory in the LORD; let the lowly hear and rejoice.

L: <sup>3</sup>Proclaim with me the greatness of the LORD; let us exalt God's name together.

C: <sup>4</sup>I sought the LORD, who answered me and delivered me from all my terrors.

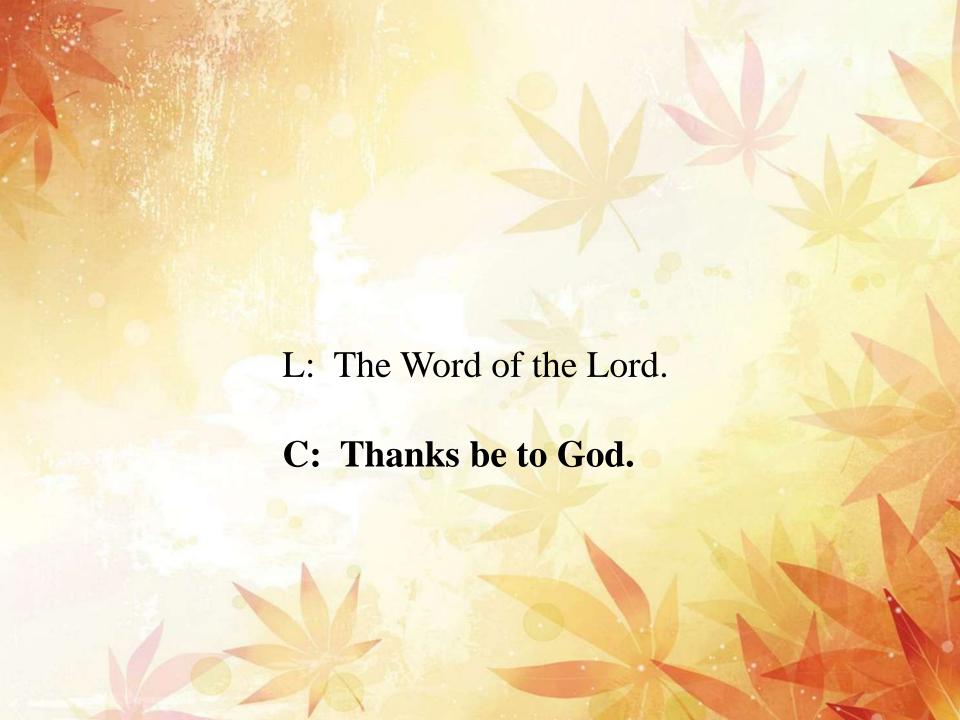
- L: <sup>5</sup>Look upon the LORD and be radiant, and let not your faces be ashamed.
- C: <sup>6</sup>I called in my affliction, and the LORD heard me and saved me from all my troubles.
- L: <sup>7</sup>The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear the LORD and delivers them.
- C: 8Taste and see that the LORD is good; happy are they who take refuge in God!

- L: <sup>9</sup>Fear the LORD, you saints of the LORD, for those who fear the LORD lack nothing.
- C: 10The lions are in want and suffer hunger, but those who seek the LORD lack nothing that is good.
- L: <sup>22</sup>O LORD, you redeem the life of your servants, and those who put their trust in you will not be punished.

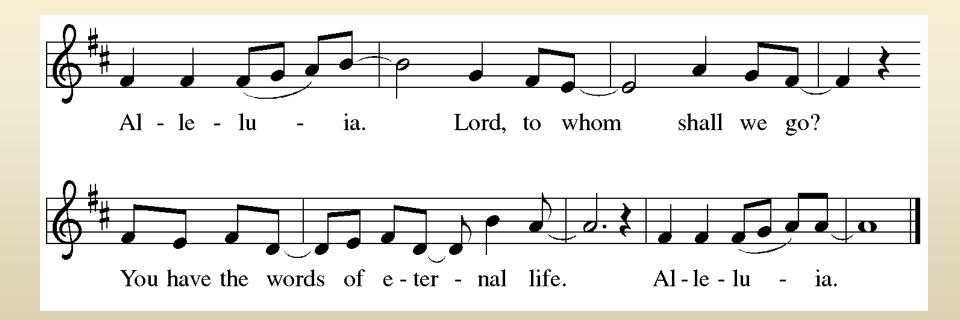
#### Second Reading: 1 John 3:1-3

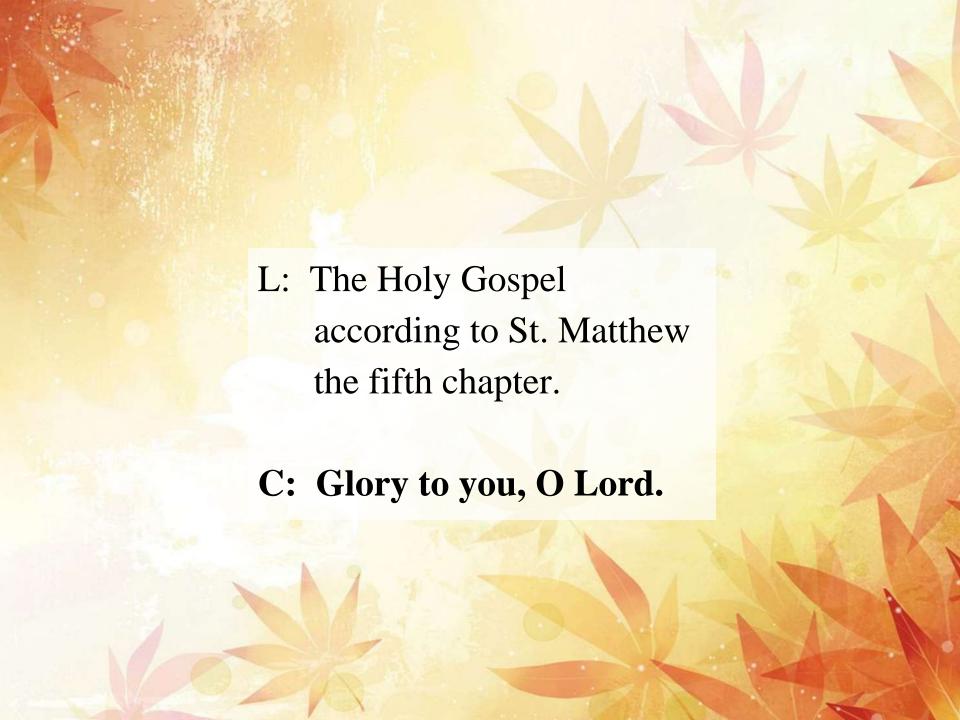
A saint is one who has been set apart by God for God's purposes. God, out of divine love, set us apart to be the children of God. Our holy hope is that we shall see God as God really is.

<sup>1</sup>See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. <sup>2</sup>Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. <sup>3</sup>And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.



# Gospel Acclamation





## Gospel: Matthew 5:1-12

In the Beatitudes, Jesus provides a unique description of those who are blessed with God's favor. His teaching is surprising and shocking to those who seek wealth, fame, and control over others.

<sup>1</sup>When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. <sup>2</sup>Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

<sup>3</sup>"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

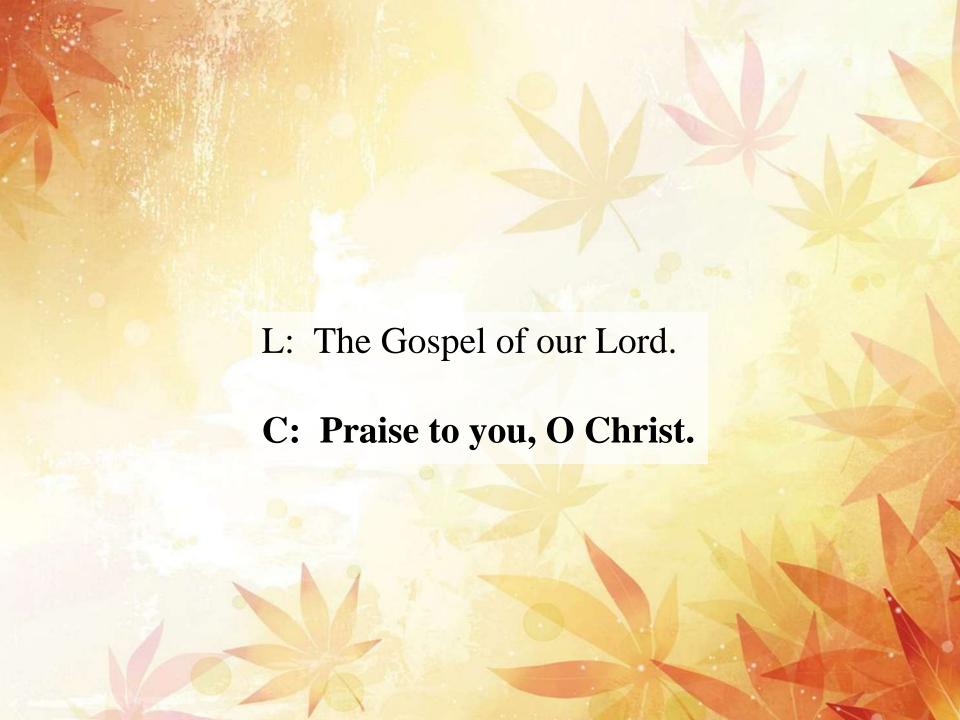
<sup>4</sup>"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

<sup>5</sup>"Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

<sup>6</sup>"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

<sup>7</sup>"Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

- <sup>8</sup>"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.
- <sup>9</sup>"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.
- <sup>10</sup>"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
- <sup>11</sup>"Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account.
- <sup>12</sup>Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."



# Message

"O Blest Communion!"



#### For All the Saints

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1. For all the saints
who from their
labors rest,
who thee by faith
before the world confessed,
thy name, O Jesus,
be forever blest.
Alleluia! Alleluia!



2. Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might; thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight; thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light. Alleluia! Alleluia!



3. Oh, blest communion, fellowship divine, we feebly struggle, they in glory shine; yet all are one in thee, for all are thine.

Alleluia! Alleluia!



And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long, steals on the ear the distant triumph song, and hearts are brave again and arms are strong. Alleluia! Alleluia!



5. The golden evening brightens in the west; soon, soon to faithful servants cometh rest; ... sweet is the calm of paradise the blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!



6. But then there breaks a yet more glorious day: the saints triumphant rise in bright array; the King of glory passes on his way. Alleluia! Alleluia!



7. From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast, through gates of pearl streams in the countless host, singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost: Alleluia! Alleluia!

## 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.

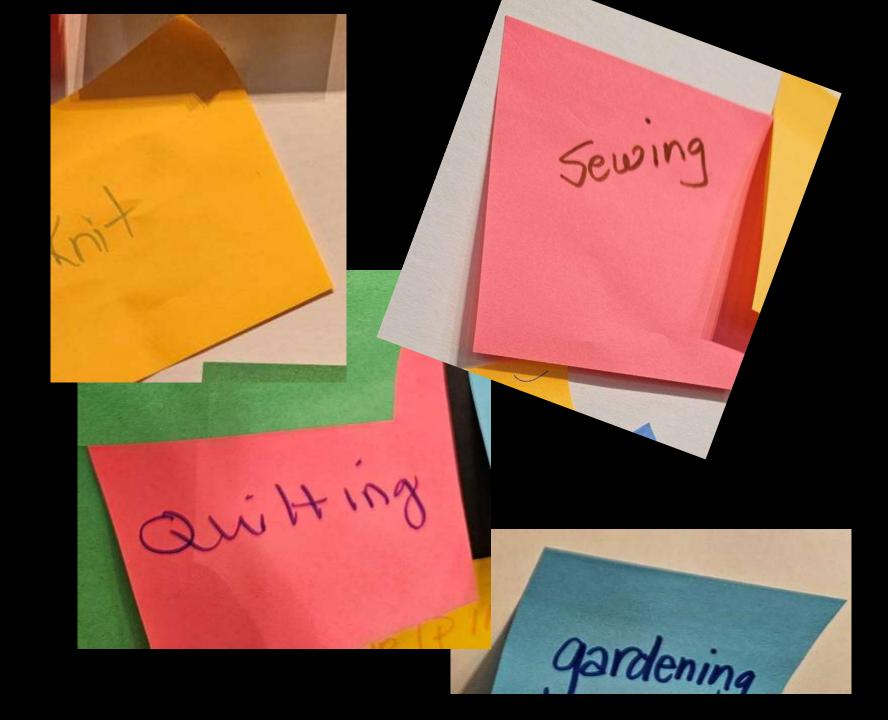




# I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful...

Psalm 139:14

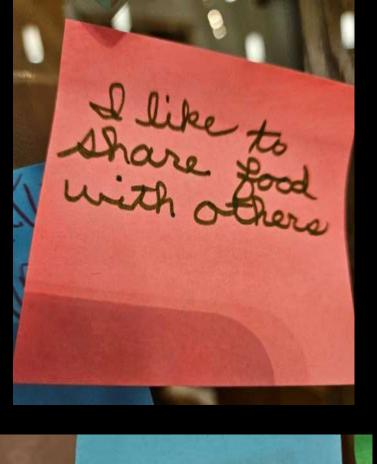
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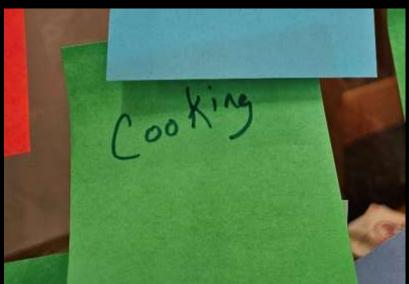


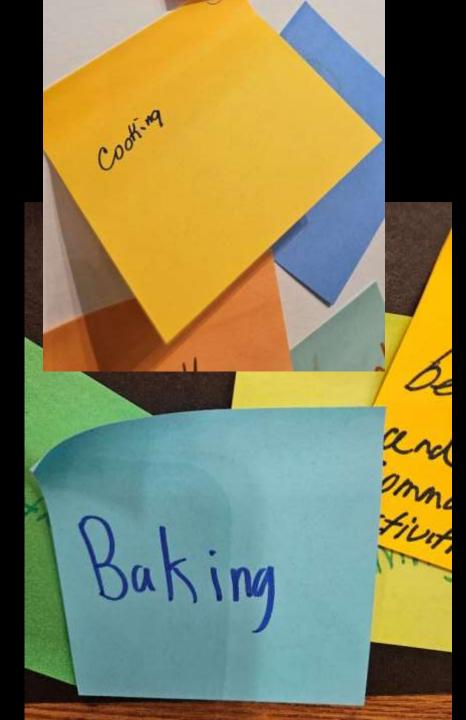
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So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God.

1 Corinthians 10:31

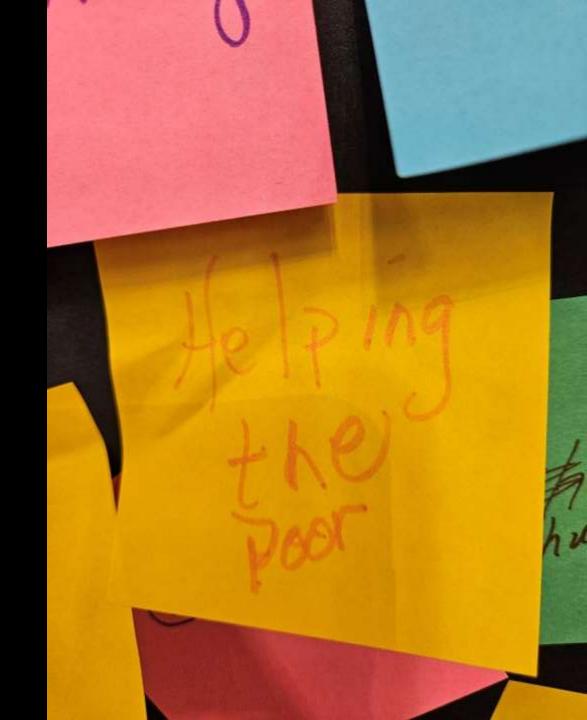






Happy are those who consider the poor; the Lord delivers them in the day of trouble.

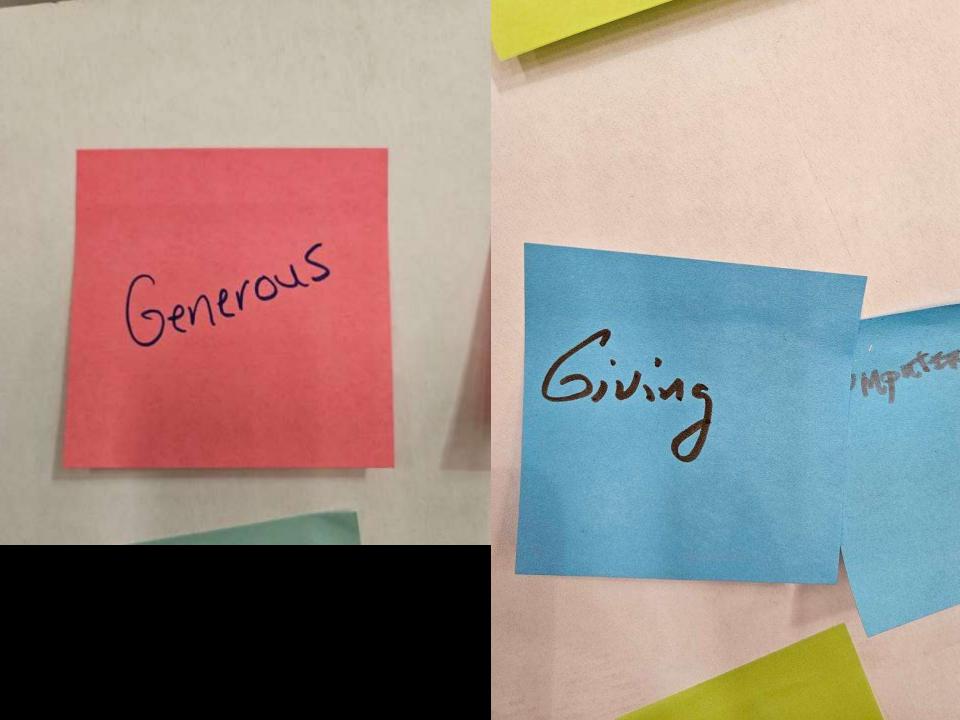
Psalm 41:1



Some give freely yet grow all the richer; others withhold what is due and only suffer want.

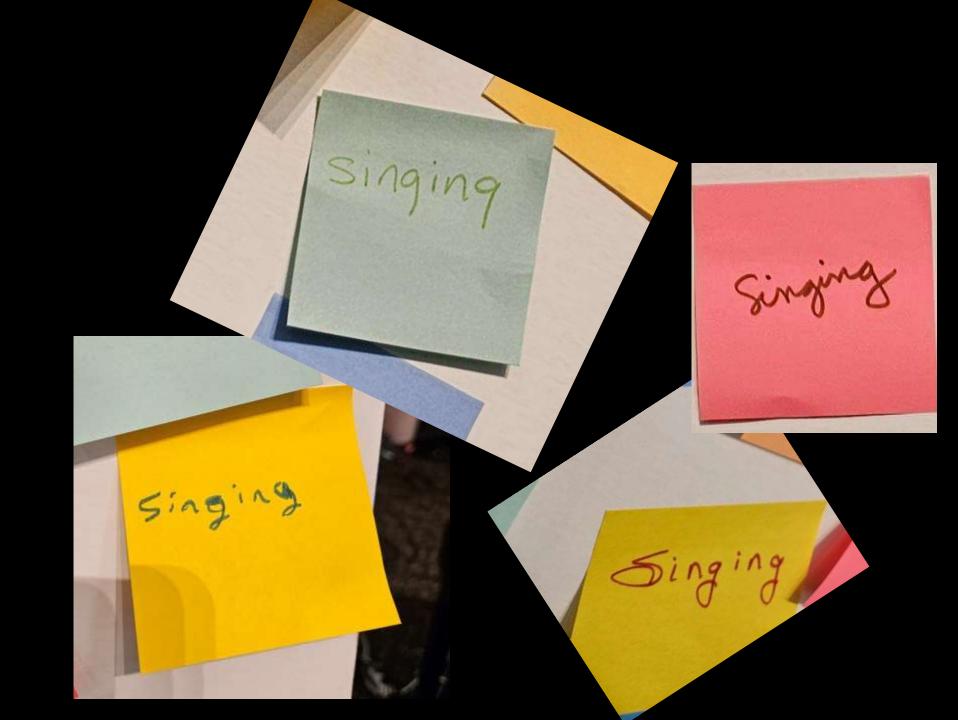
A generous person will be enriched, and one who gives water will get water.

Proverbs 11:24-25



Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises.

Psalm 98:4



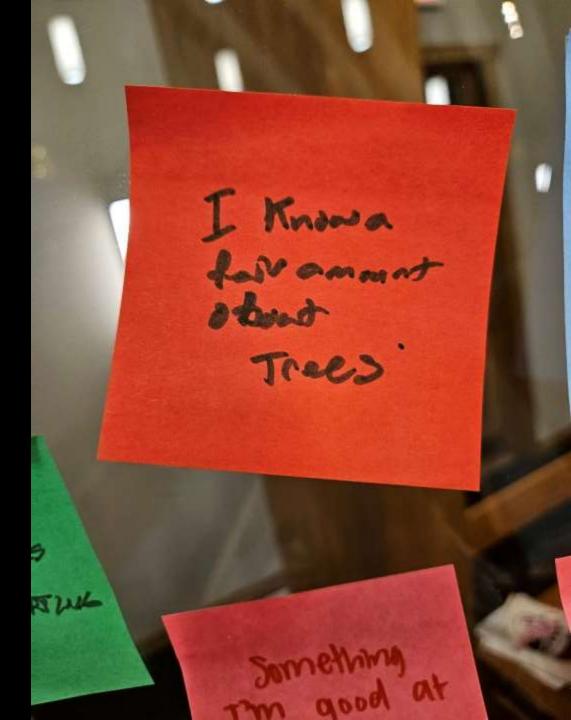


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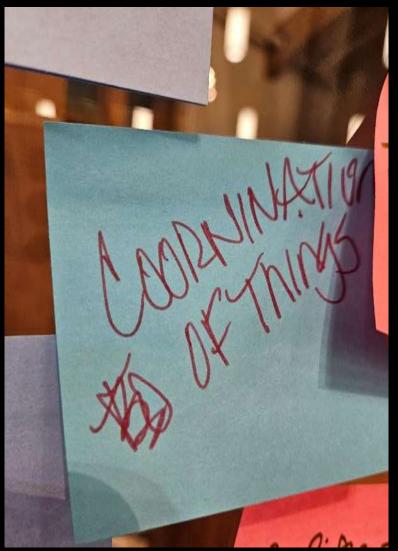
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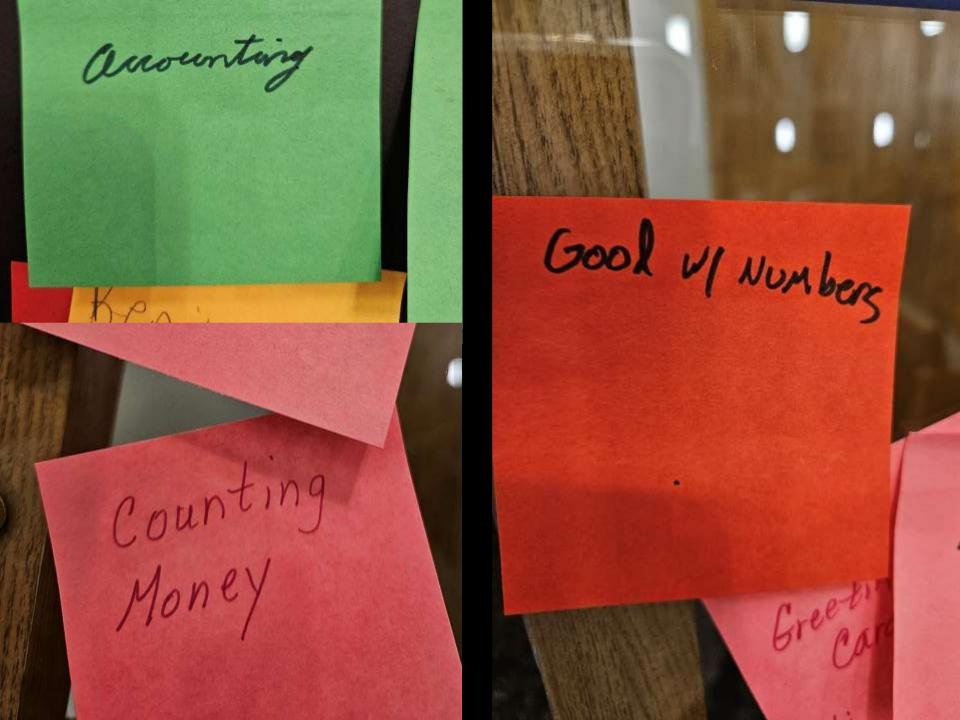
For as in one body we have many members and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ...

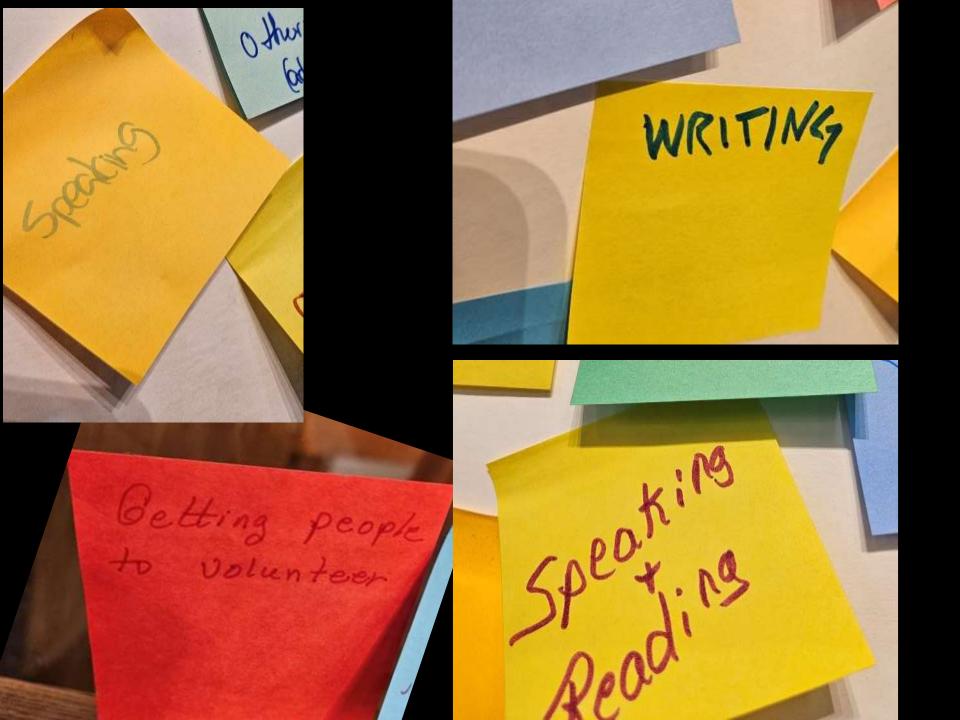
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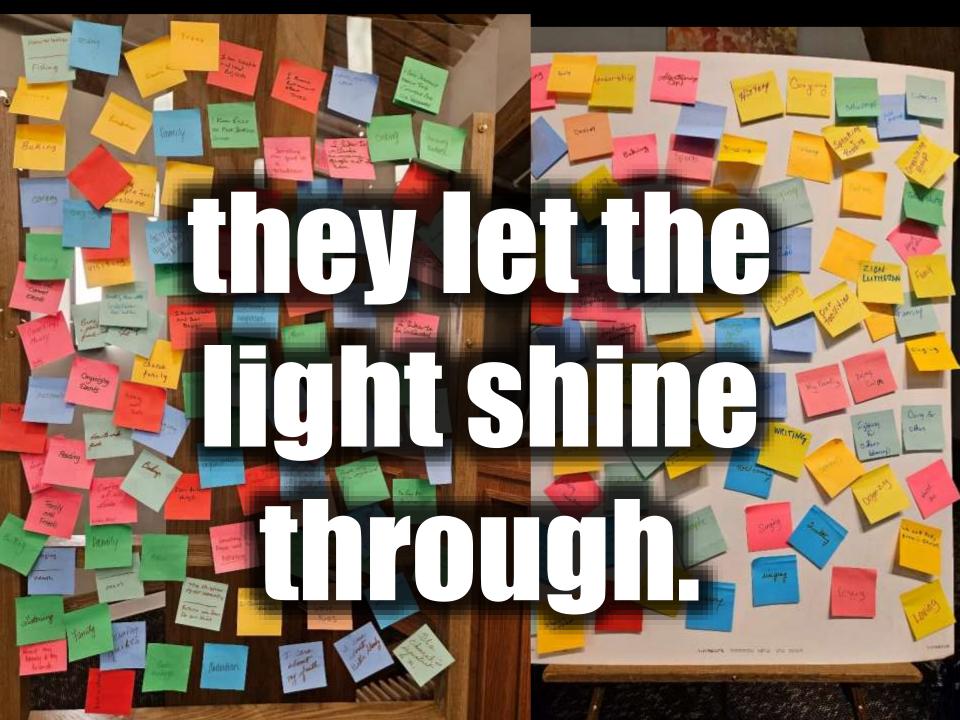


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# Saints are like stained glass windows...



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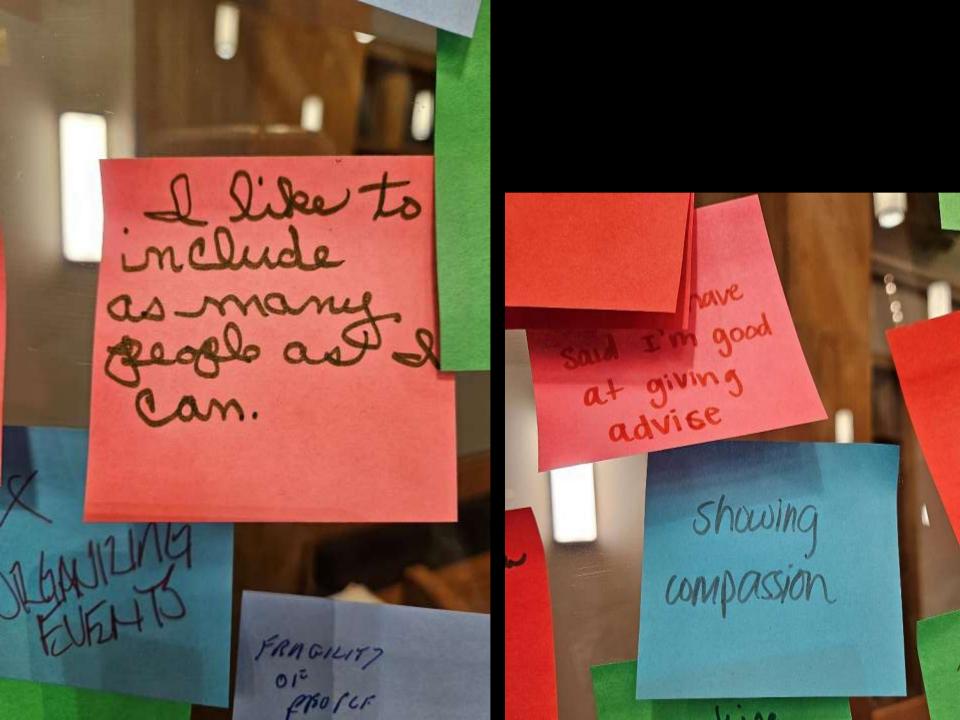
I care about people





## Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.

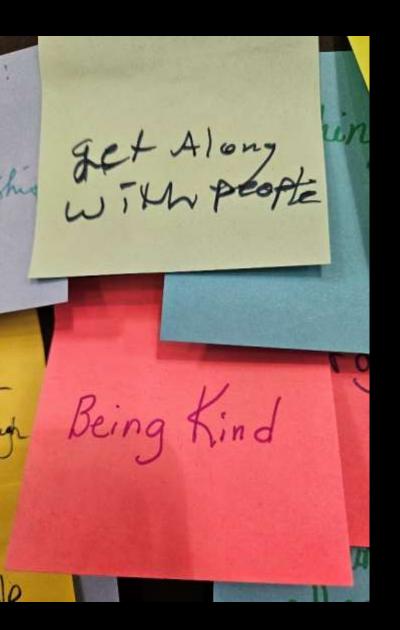
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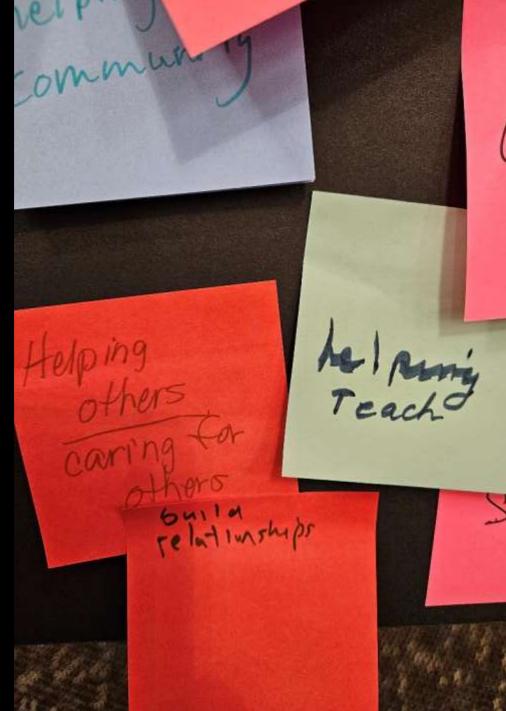


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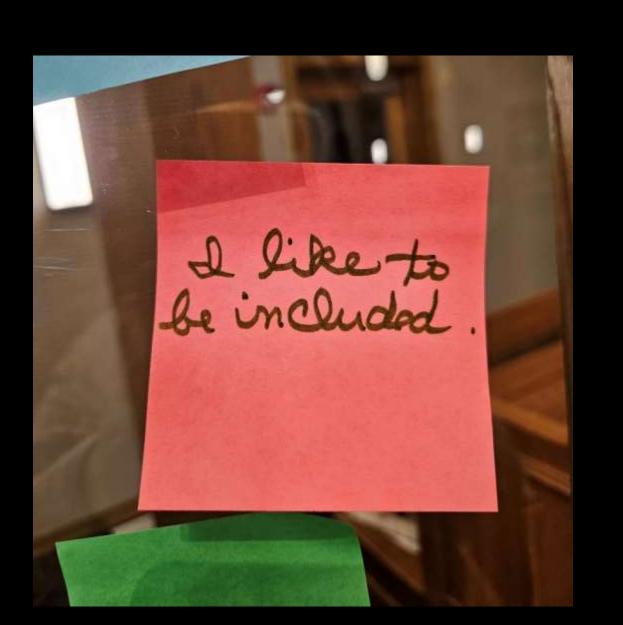
For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

Ephesians 2:10





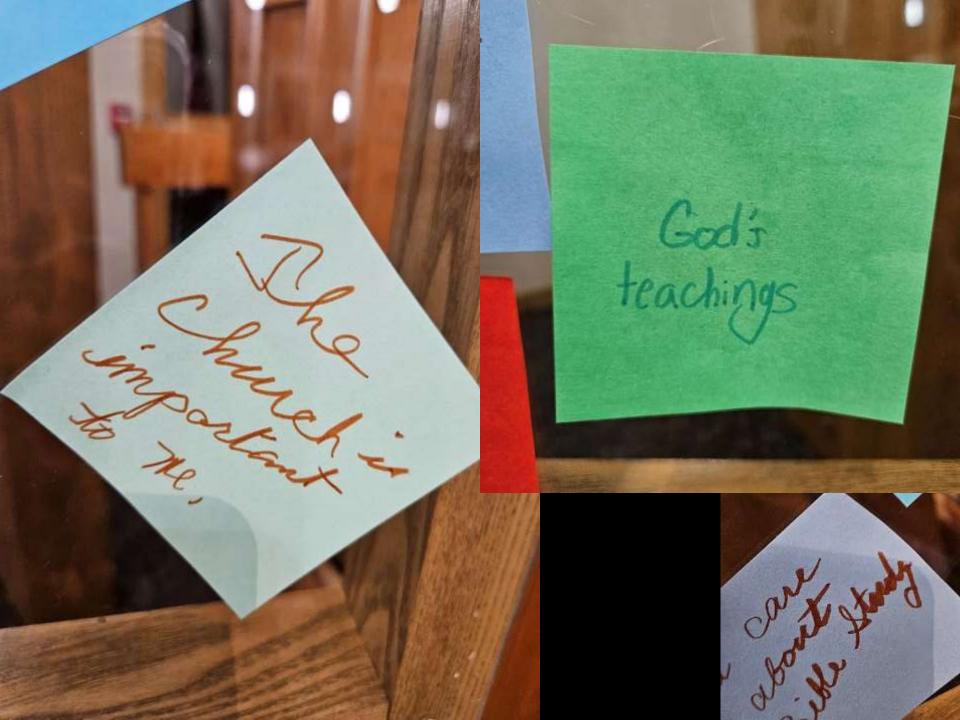
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#### Praise and Thanksgiving

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1.

Praise and thanksgiving, God, we would offer for all things living, you have made good: harvest of sown fields, fruits of the orchard, hay from the mown fields, blossom and wood.

God, bless the labor we bring to serve you, that with our neighbor we may be fed. Sowing or tilling, we would work with you, harvesting, milling for daily bread.

#### Offering Prayer

L: God of all goodness, generations have turned to you, gathered around your table, and shared your abundant blessings. Number us among them that, as we gather these gifts from your abundance, and give thanks for your rich blessings, we may feast upon your very self and care for all that you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Sovereign and Servant.

C: Amen.

#### Prayers of Intercession

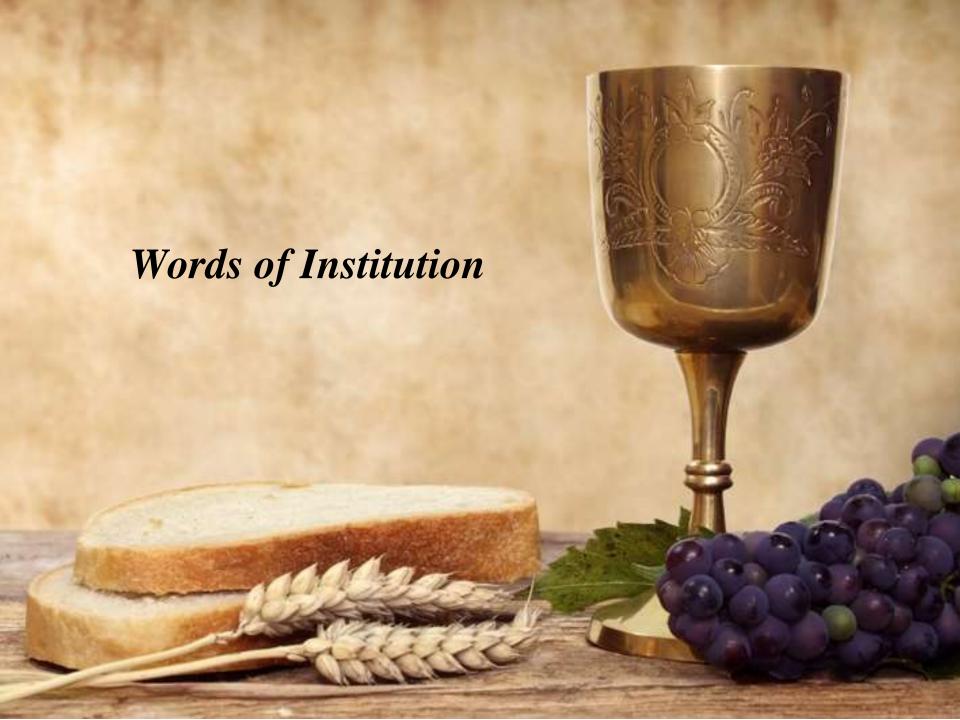
Response after each petition:

L: hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

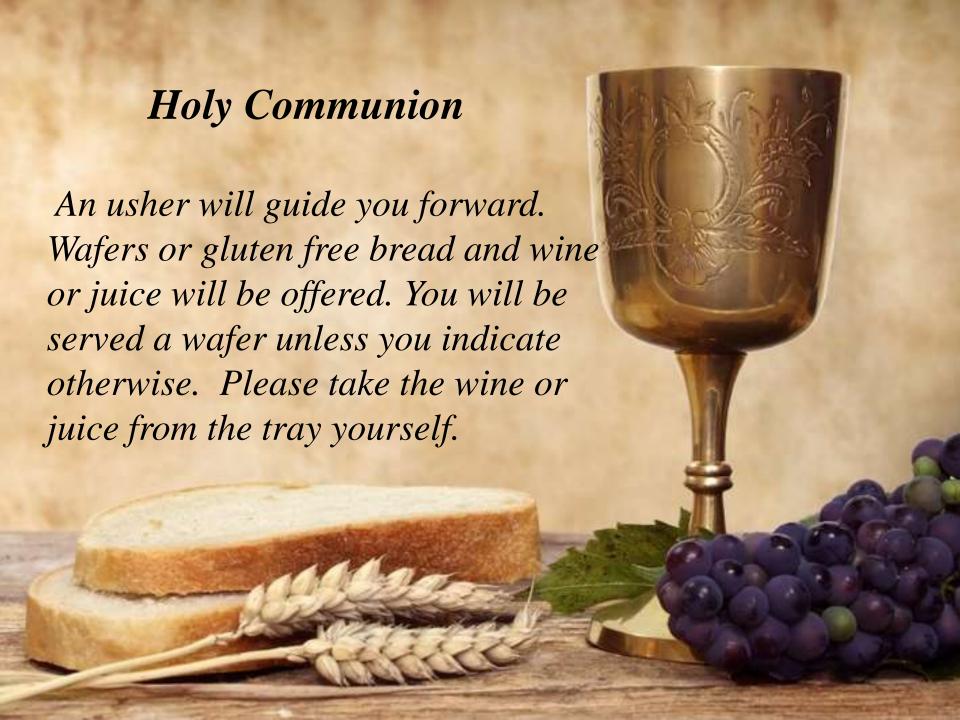
L: We offer our spoken prayers and those held in our hearts trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.



#### 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.



#### Be Thou My Vision

ELW #793

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1. Be thou my vision,
O Lord of my heart;
naught be all else to me,
save that thou art:
thou my best thought
both by day and by night,
waking or sleeping,
thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word;
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord.
Thou my soul's shelter, and thou my high tower, raise thou me heav'nward, O pow'r of my pow'r.

Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise, thou mine inheritance, now and always; thou, and thou only, the first in my heart, great God of heaven, my treasure thou art.

Light of my soul, after victory won, may I reach heaven's joys, O heaven's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O ruler of all.

# Children of the Heavenly Father

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1. Children of the heav'nly Father safely in his bosom gather; nestling bird nor star in heaven such a refuge e'er was given.

2. God his own doth tend and nourish, in his holy courts they flourish, From all evil things he spares them, in his mighty arms he bears them.

3. Neither life nor death shall ever from the Lord his children sever; unto them his grace he showeth, and their sorrows all he knoweth.

4. Though he giveth or he taketh, God his children ne'er forsaketh; his the loving purpose solely to preserve them pure and holy.



## Prayer after Communion

L: Lord Jesus, in this simple meal you have set a banquet. Sustain us on the journey, strengthen us to care for the least of your beloved children, and give us glad and generous hearts as we meet you on the way.

C: Amen.

# Blessing

May the God of all creation, in whose image we are made, who claims us and calls us beloved, who strengthens us for service, give you reason to rejoice and be glad! The blessing of God, Sovereign, + Savior, and Spirit, be with you today and always.

C: Amen.

## This Little Light Of Mine

#677

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1.

This little light of mine,
I'm goin'-a let it shine;
this little light of mine,
I'm goin'-a let it shine,
this little light of mine,
I'm goin'-a let it shine;
let it shine, let it shine,

2.

Ev'rywhere I go,
I'm goin'-a let it shine;
ev'rywhere I go,
I'm goin'-a let it shine,
ev'rewhere I go,
I'm goin'-a let it shine;
let it shine, let it shine,

**3.** 

Jesus gave it to me,
I'm goin'-a let it shine;
Jesus gave it to me,
I'm goin'-a let it shine,
Jesus gave it to me,
I'm goin'-a let it shine;
let it shine, let it shine,

### Dismissal

L: Beloved of God, go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

C: Amen.

