Welcome to Worship at Zion Lutheran Church Sunday, May 12, 2024 9:00 am

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Welcome and Announcements

Wednesday, May 15 during our 5:30 pm worship service we will be blessing and honoring our graduating seniors. Join us in celebrating with treats following the service.

Senior Recognition Night

This will be the last Wednesday Worship service of the spring.



Save the Date! Mark your Calendars! Gather your Friends!

Zion's Ditch Cleaning will be June 9

Watch for details coming soon!



Sharing the Peace

Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying

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Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send your Spirit in this place; Lord, listen to your children praying, send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace. Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send your Spirit in this place; Lord, listen to your children praying, send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace. Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send your Spirit in this place; Lord, listen to your children praying, send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.

Confession and Forgiveness

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.
C: 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.
- C: Amen.

L:

L: Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. C: Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen. L: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us, even when we were dead in sin, and made alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

C: Amen.

Greeting

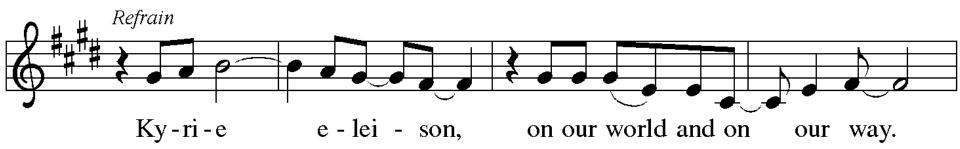
L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

Kyrie

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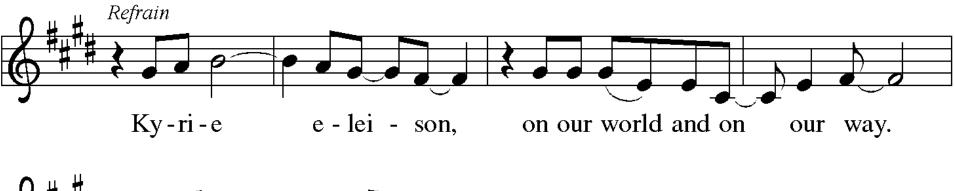
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Cantor: For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the unity of all; for this holy house, for all who worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

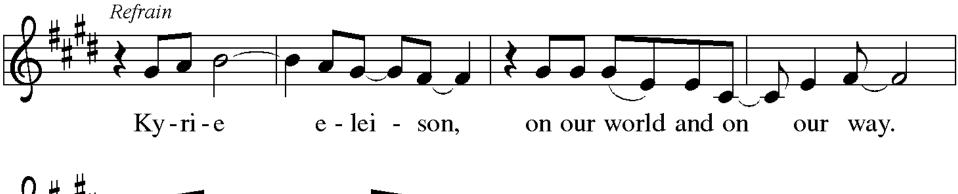
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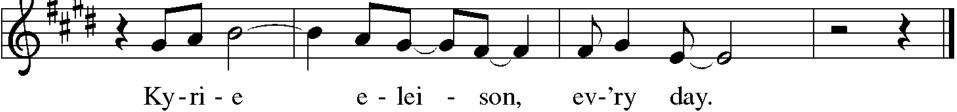




Cantor: That we may live out your impassioned response to the hungry and the poor; that we may live out truth and justice and grace, let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

All:





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.

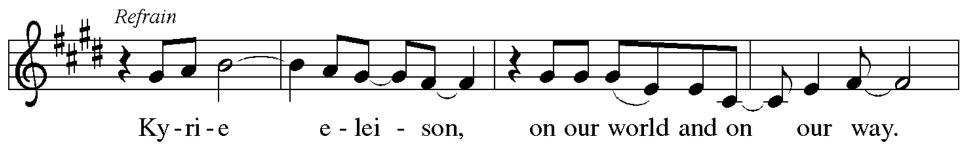
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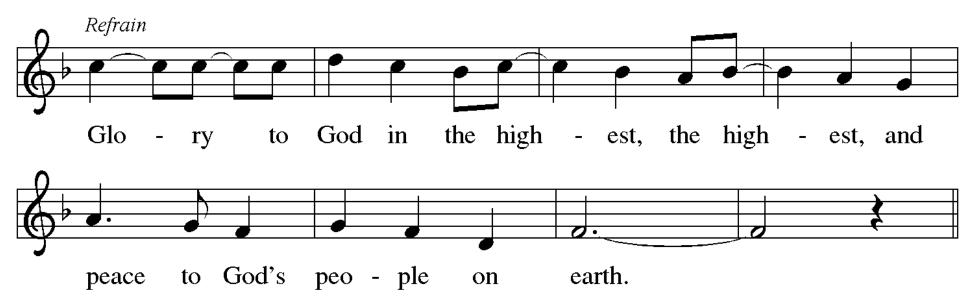
Cantor: For your Spirit to guide; that you center our lives in the water and the word; that you nourish our souls with your body and blood, let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

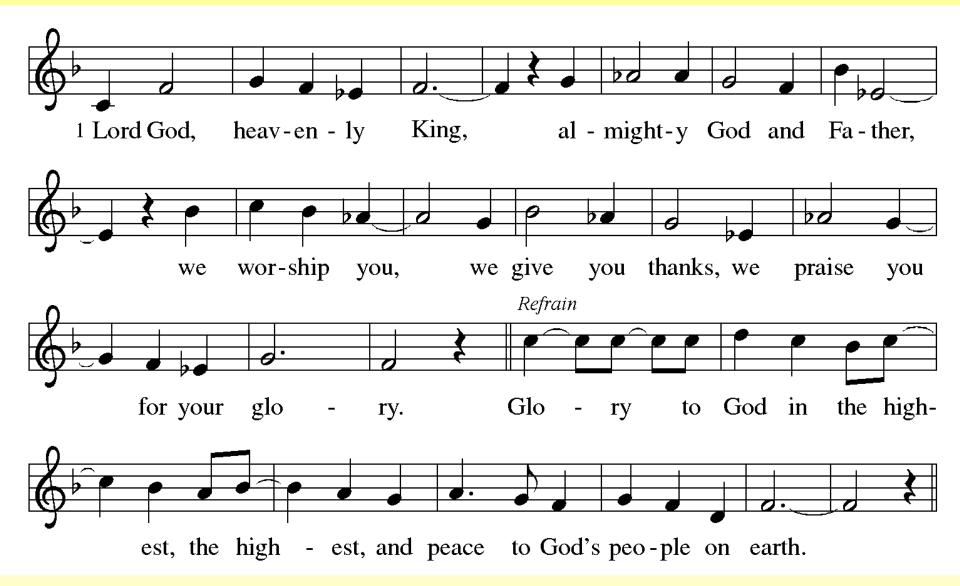
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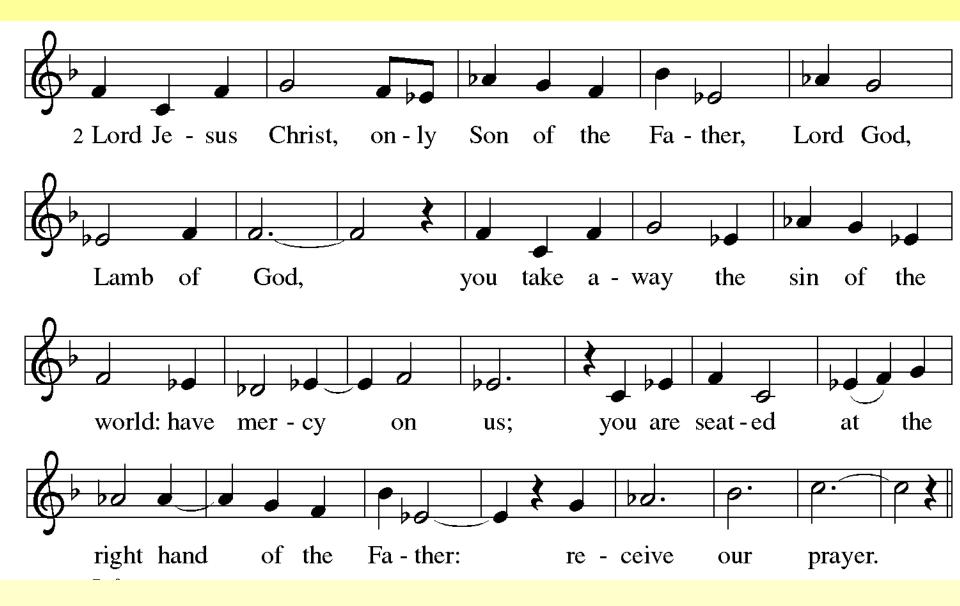


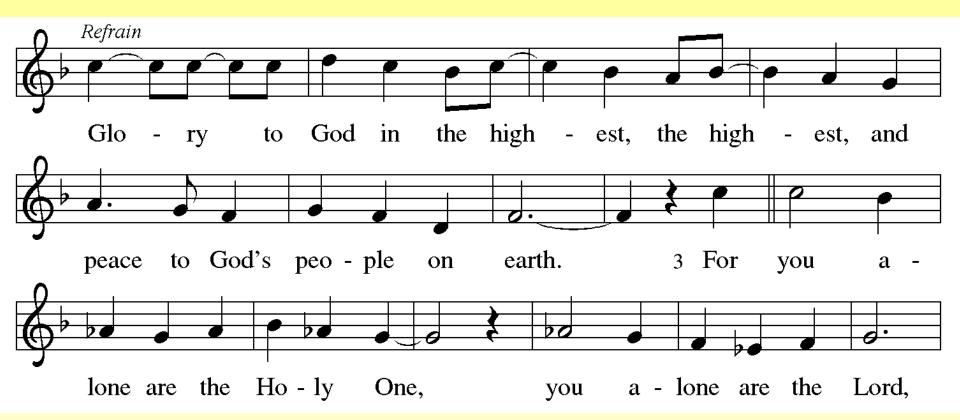


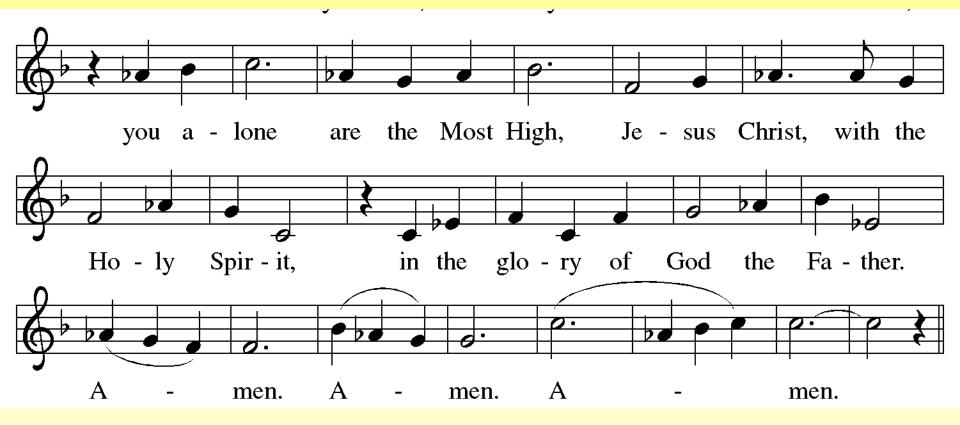
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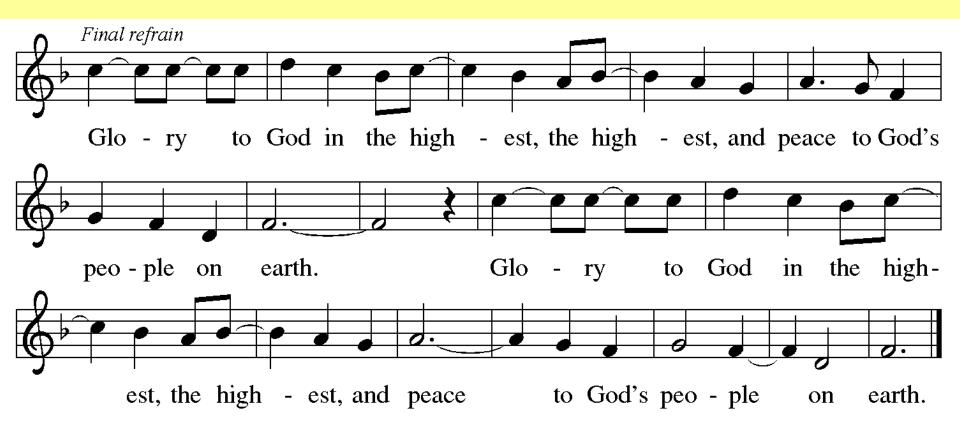












L: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

L: Gracious and glorious God, you have chosen us as your own, and by the powerful name of Christ you protect us from evil. By your Spirit transform us and your beloved world, that we may find our joy in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

For All the Faithful Women

ELW #419

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 For all the faithful women who served in days of old, to you shall thanks be given; to all, their story told. They served with strength and gladness in tasks your wisdom gave. To you their lives bore witness, proclaimed your pow'r to save.

2.

O God, for saints and servants,
those named and those unknown,
in whom through all the ages
your light of glory shone,
we offer glad thanksgiving
and fervent prayer we raise
that, faithful in your service,
our lives may sing your praise.

Last.

All praise to God the Father! All praise to Christ the Son! All praise to God the Spirit, who binds the church as one! With saints who went before us, with saints who witness still, we sing glad alleluias and strive to do your will.

First Reading: Acts 1:15-17, 21-26

In the days between Jesus' ascension and Pentecost, Peter oversees the process whereby one of the members of the community of believers is chosen to be the twelfth apostle, in order to fill the vacancy created by Judas's treachery and death.

¹⁵In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred twenty persons) and said, ¹⁶"Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus¹⁷for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry."

²¹So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, ²²beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection." ²³So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. ²⁴Then they prayed and said, "Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen

²⁵to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place." ²⁶And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles. L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 1

- L: ¹Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful!
- C: ²Their delight is in the law of the LORD, and they meditate on God's teaching day and night.

L: ³They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; everything they do shall prosper.
 C: ⁴It is not so with the wicked; they are like chaff which the wind blows away.

- L: ⁵Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.
- C: ⁶For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked shall be destroyed.

Second Reading: 1 John 5:9-13

God has borne witness to the gift of eternal life in Jesus Christ. Whoever believes in the Son of God believes in the witness of God and has the promise of eternal life.

⁹If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. ¹⁰Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son.

¹¹And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. ¹²Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

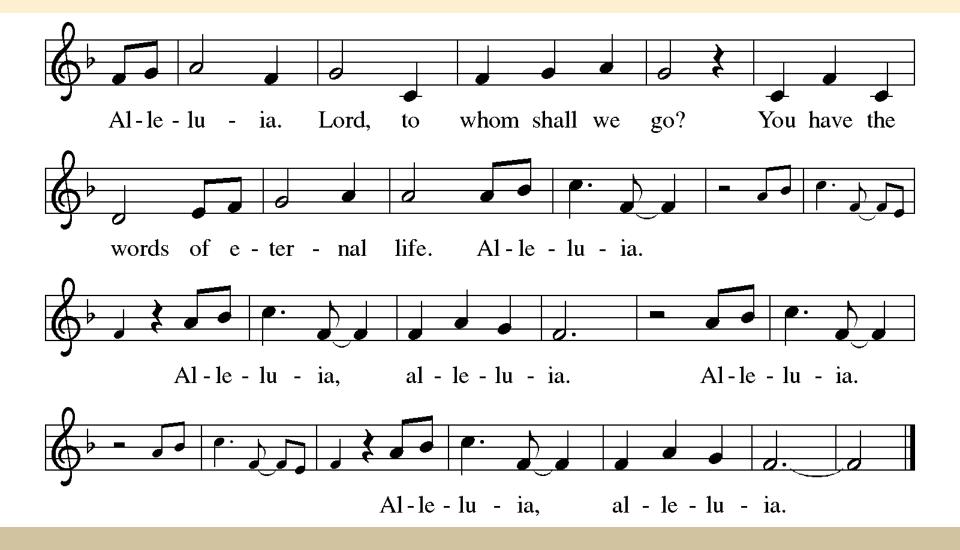
¹³I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

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

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: John 17:6-19

In this reading the church hears Jesus' words on the night before his death—his prayer for his disciples and for all who would believe in him through their words.

[Jesus prayed:] ⁶"I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. ⁷Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; ⁸for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. ⁹I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. ¹⁰All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. ¹¹And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.

¹²While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. ¹³But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. ¹⁴I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. ¹⁵I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one.

¹⁶They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. ¹⁷Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. ¹⁸As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. ¹⁹And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth." L: The Gospel of our Lord.C: Praise to you, O Christ.



Shawn Brunelle

Blest Be the Tie That Binds

ELW #656

Text: John Fawcett, 1740-1817, alt. Music: Johann G. Nageli, 1773-1836, adapt. Public Domain.

Blest be the tie that binds Our hearts in Christian love; The unity of heart and mind Is like to that above. Before our Father's throne We pour our ardent prayers; Our fears, our hopes, Our aims are one, Our comforts and our cares.

2.

We share our mutual woes, Our mutual burdens bear, And often for each other flows The sympathizing tear. From sorrow, toil, and pain, And sin we shall be free; And perfect love

And friendship reign Through all eternity.



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.

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

1.

May we thy bounties thus as stewards true receive, and gladly, as thou blessest us, to thee our first-fruits give.

2.

Offering Prayer

L: Risen One,

you call us to believe and bear fruit. May the gifts that we offer here be signs of your abiding love. Form us to be your witnesses in the world, through Jesus Christ, our true vine.

C: Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

Response after each petition:L: God of grace,C: hear our prayer.

- L: Into your hands, most merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abiding love; through Jesus Christ, our resurrected and living 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.

Blessing

- L: Alleluia! Christ is risen!
- **C:** Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!
- L: The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy, and the Spirit of Easter hope + bless you now and always.
- C: Amen.

Crown Him With Many Crowns

ELW #855

Text: Matthew Bridges, 1800-1894, sts. 1-3, 5; Godfrey Thring, 1823-1903, st. 4. Music: George J. Elvey, 1816-1893. Public Domain.

Crown Him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne; hark, how the heav'nly anthem drowns all music but its own.

Awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee, and hail him as thy matchless king through all eternity. Crown him the virgin's Son, the God incarnate born whose arm those crimson trophies won which now his brow adorn;

fruit of the mystic rose, yet of that rose the stem, the root whence mercy ever flows, the babe of Bethlehem. Crown him the Lord of love, behold his hands and side, rich wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified.

No angels in the sky can fully bear that sight, but downward bend their burning eyes at mysteries so bright. Crown him the Lord of life, who triumphed o'er the grave and rose victorious in the strife for those he came to save.

His glories now we sing, who died and rose on high, who died, eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die. Crown him the Lord of years, the potentate of time, creator of the rolling spheres, ineffably sublime.

All hail, Redeemer, hail! For thou hast died for me; thy praise and glory shall not fail throughout eternity.

Dismissal

- L: Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.
- **C:** Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Thank you for worshipping with us!

God bless you!

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