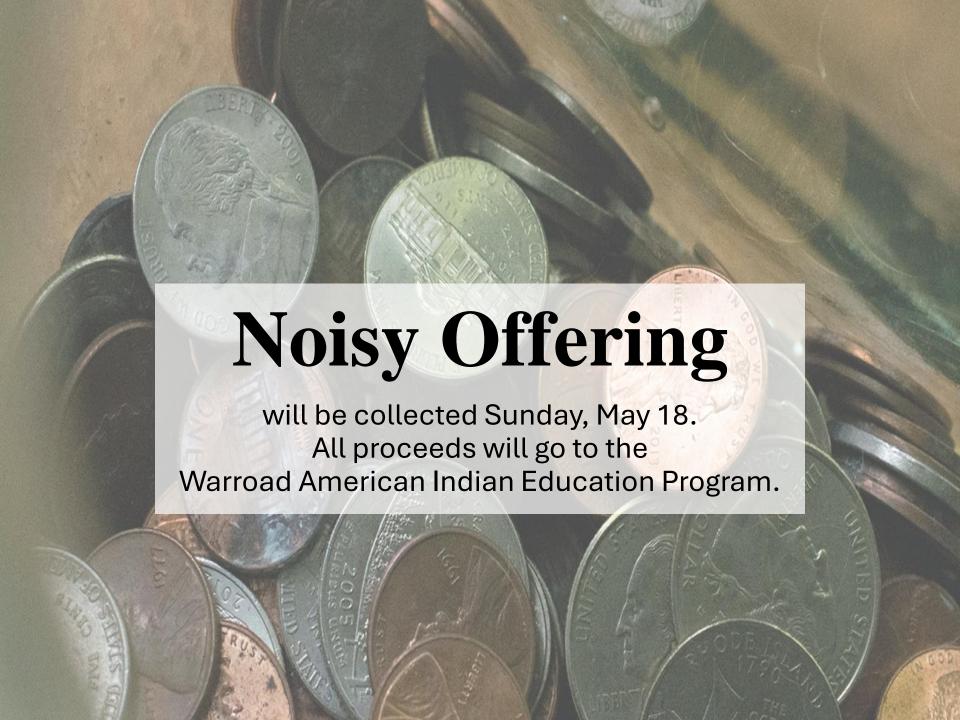




May 14, is the *last* night of Wednesday Night Worship and Pre-Confirmation and Confirmation classes!

There will be **NO** Church School on May 14.

Watch announcements for the return of Wednesday Night Worship and classes.







O Zion, Haste

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1. O Zion, haste, your mission high fulfilling, to tell to all the world that God is light; that he who made all nations is not willing one soul should perish, lost in shades of night.

Publish glad tidings, tidings of peace, tidings of Jesus, redemption, and release.

2. Publish to ev'ry people, tongue, and nation that God, in whom they live and move, is love; tell how he stooped to save his lost creation and died on earth that we might live above.

Publish glad tidings, tidings of peace, tidings of Jesus, redemption, and release.

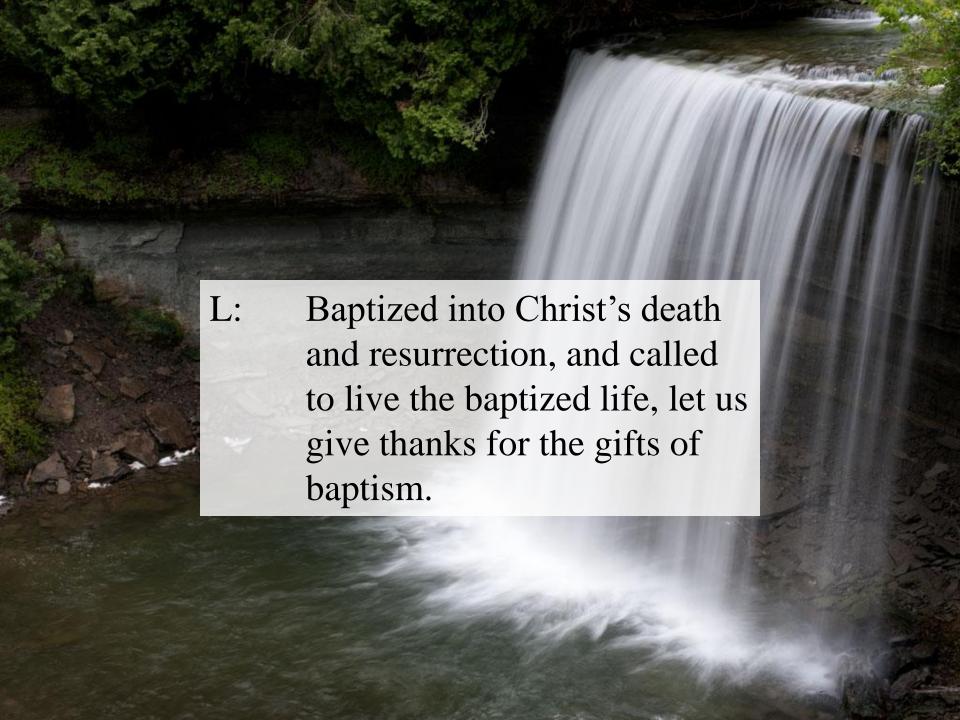
3. He comes again! O Zion, ere you meet him, make known to ev'ry heart his saving grace; let none whom he has ransomed fail to greet him, through your neglect, unfit to see his face.

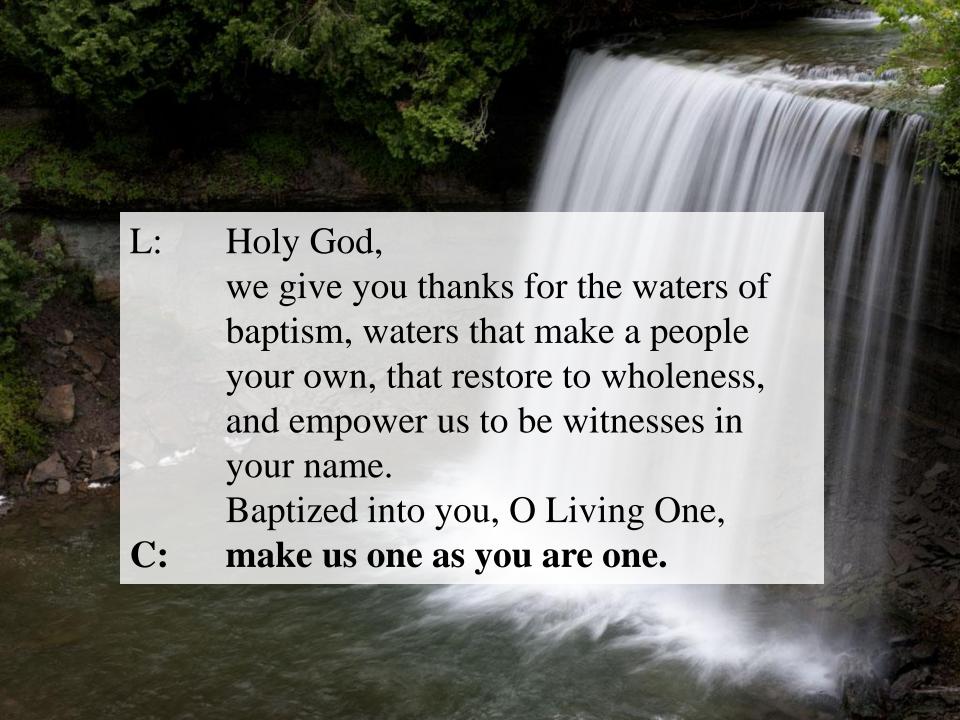
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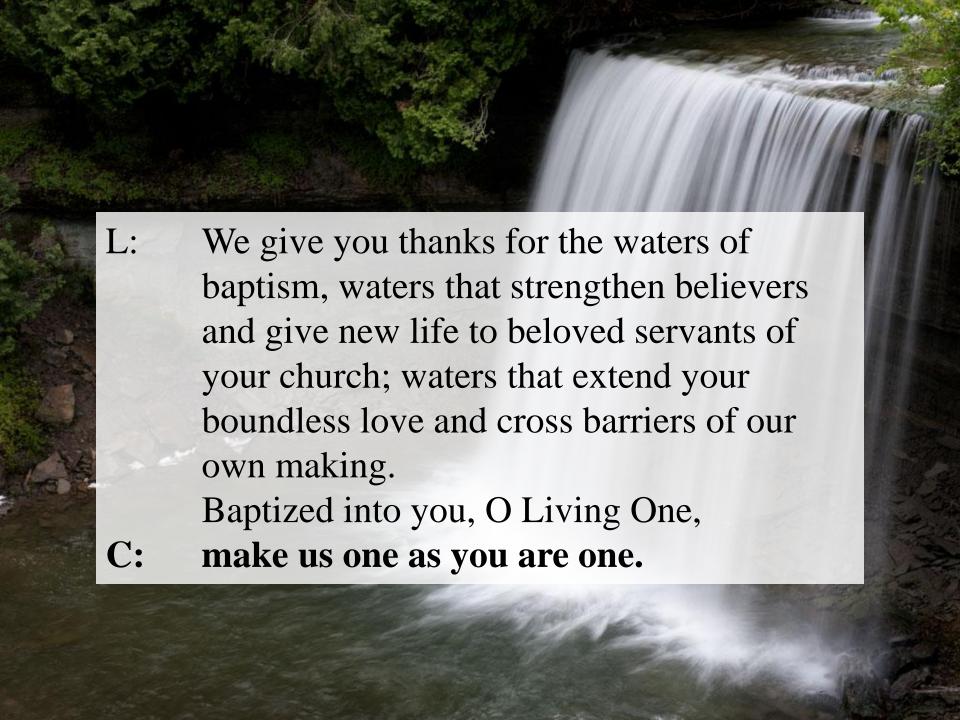


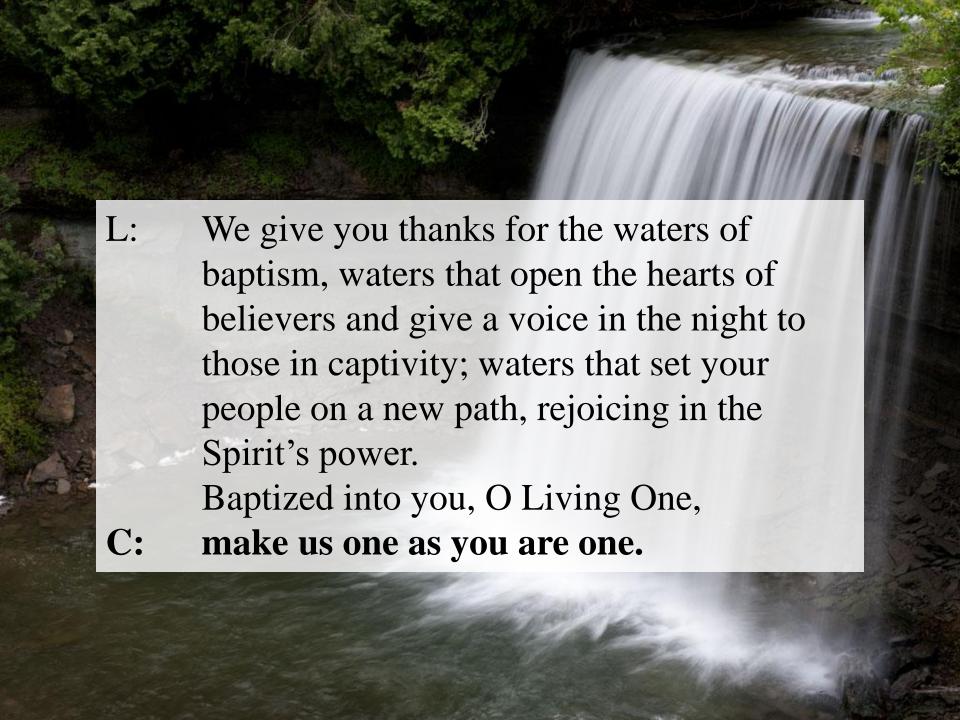
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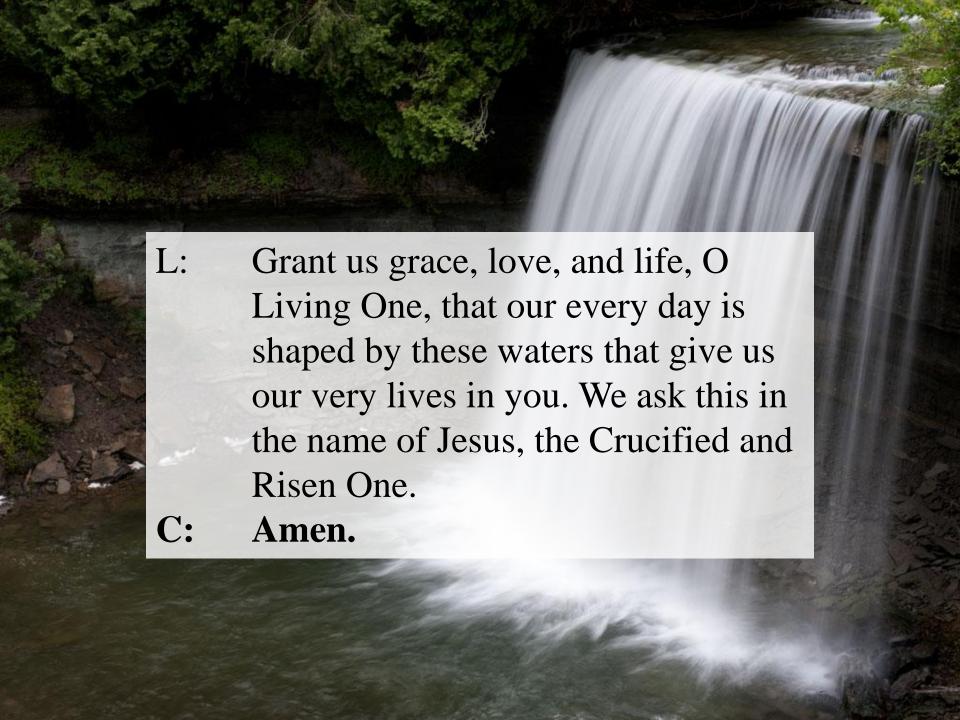
Alleluia! Christ is risen. L: C: Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia! L: In the name of + the One who was, who is, and who is to come. Amen.

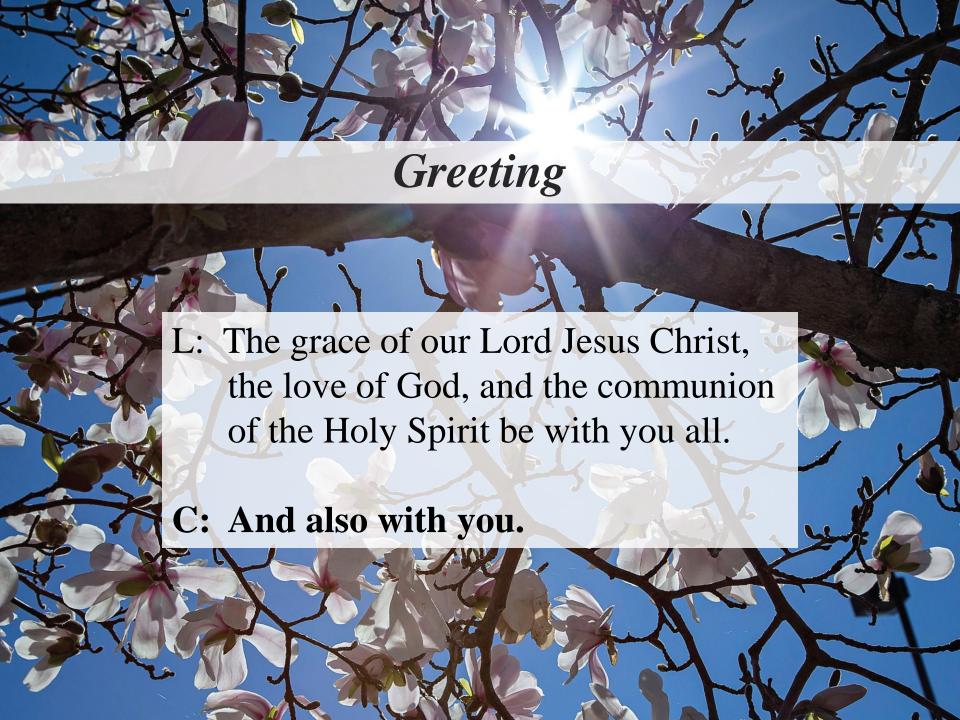


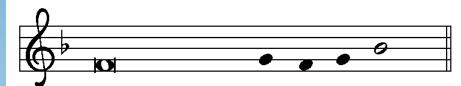






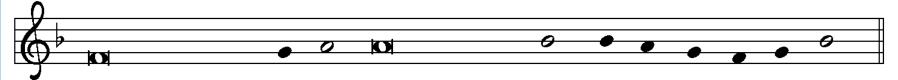




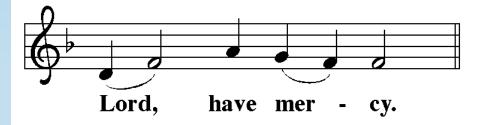


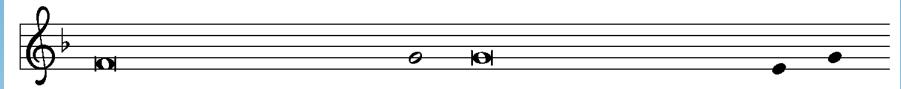
In peace, let us pray to the Lord.





For the peace from a - bove, and for our sal-vation, let us pray to the Lord.

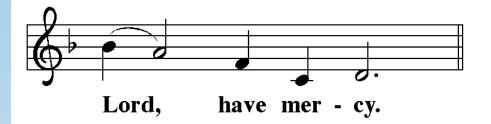


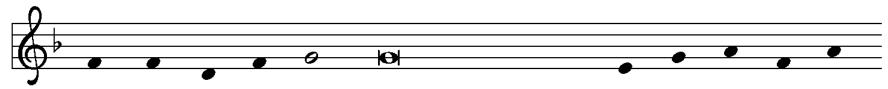


For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of



God, and for the uni-ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.

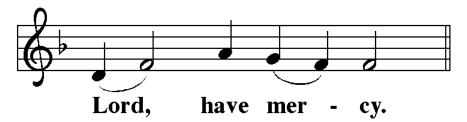


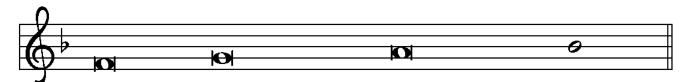


For this ho - ly house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and



praise, let us pray to the Lord.

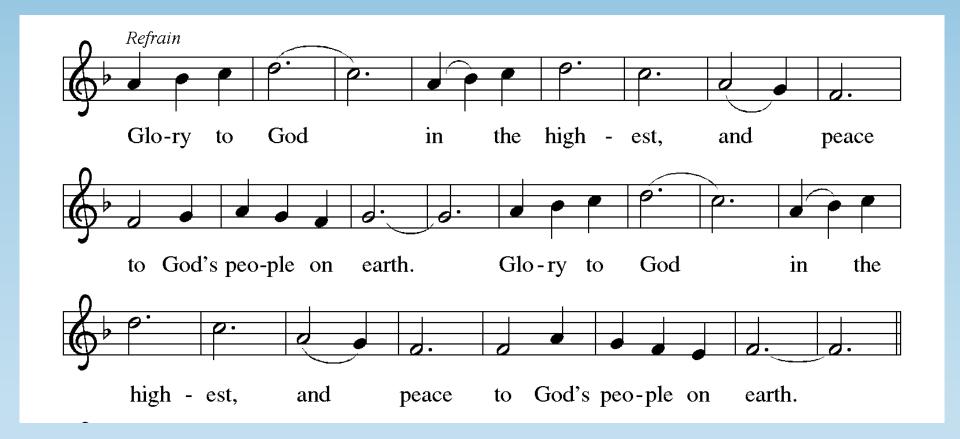


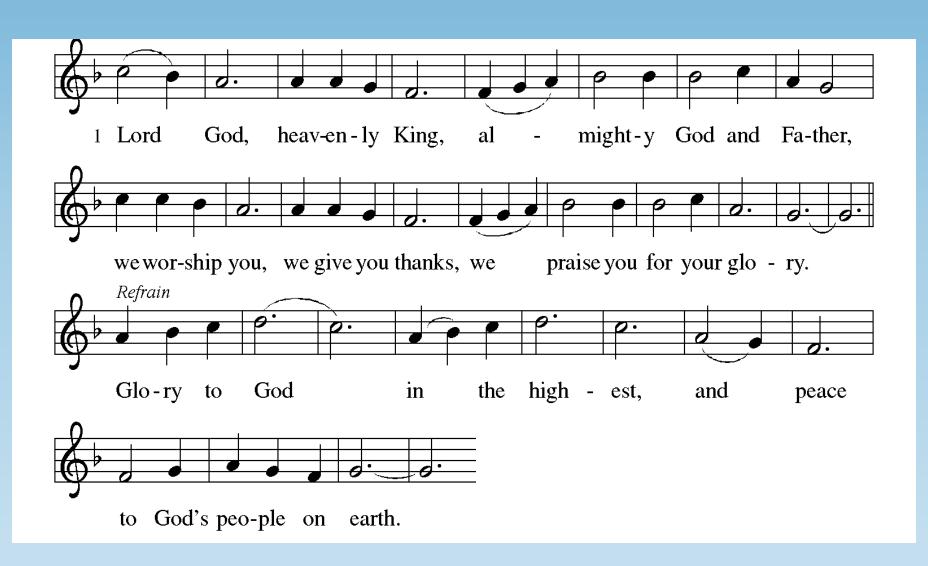


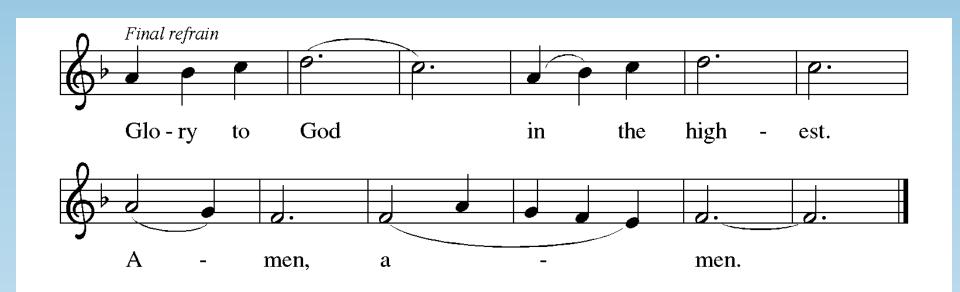
Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gracious Lord.



Hymn of Praise









Prayer of the Day

O God of peace, you brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great shepherd of the sheep. By the blood of your eternal covenant, make us complete in everything good that we may do your will, and work among us all that is well-pleasing in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

First Reading: Acts 9:36-43

Dorcas was a faithful and devoted woman of charity in the community of Joppa. Her kindness and her work with clothing were well-known, especially to the widows in town. When she fell ill and died, Peter raised her back to life through the power of prayer.

³⁶ Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. ³⁷ At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. ³⁸ Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." 39 So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them.

⁴⁰ Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. 41 He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. 42 This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. ⁴³ Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 23

L: ¹ The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not be in want.

C: ² The LORD makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters.

- L: ³ You restore my soul, O LORD, and guide me along right pathways for your name's sake.
- C: ⁴Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

- L: ⁵ You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is running over.
- C: ⁶ Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

Second Reading: Revelation 7:9-17

Christ is the shepherd who leads his faithful to springs of the water of life. Christ is also the lamb who vanquishes sin and suffering

⁹ 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. ¹⁰ They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

"Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" ¹¹ 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, ¹² singing,

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

¹³ Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?"

¹⁴ 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.

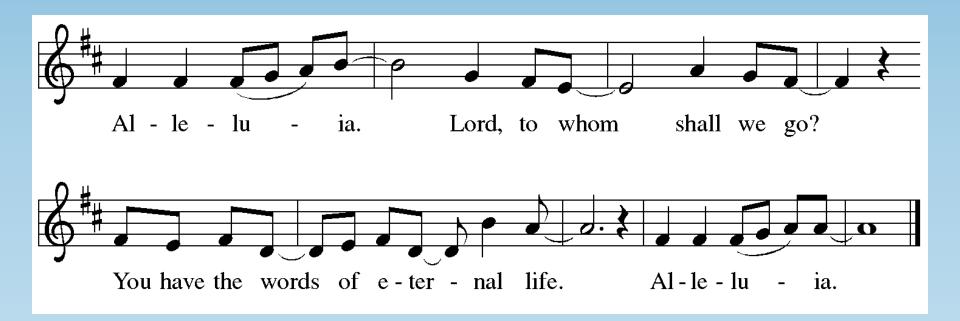
¹⁵ For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.

¹⁶ They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; ¹⁷ 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."

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation



Jesus responds to questions about his identity with the remarkable claim that he and the Father are one. Those who understand this are his sheep; they hear his voice, follow, and will never be snatched from his hand.

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

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: John 10:22-30

²² At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, ²³ and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. ²⁴ So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." ²⁵ Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; ²⁶ but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep.

²⁷ My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. ²⁸ I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. ²⁹ What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. ³⁰ The Father and I are one."

L: The Gospel of our Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Message

Soon and Very Soon ELW #439

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1.

Soon and very soon
we are goin' to see the King,
soon and very soon
we are goin' to see the King,
soon and very soon
we are goin' to see the King.
Hallelujah, hallelujah,
we're goin' to see the King.

2.

No more cryin' there,
we are goin' to see the King,
no more cryin' there,
we are goin' to see the King,
no more cryin' there,
we are goin' to see the King.
Hallelujah, hallelujah,
we're goin' to see the King.

3.

No more dyin' there,
we are goin' to see the King,
no more dyin' there,
we are goin' to see the King,
no more dyin' there,
we are goin' to see the King.
Hallelujah, hallelujah,
we're goin' to see the King.

4.

Soon and very soon we are goin' to see the King, soon and very soon we are goin' to see the King, soon and very soon we are goin' to see the King. Hallelujah, hallelujah, we're goin' to see the King. Hallelujah, hallelujah, Hallelujah, hallelujah.

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.



Day by Day

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Day by day, your mercies, Lord, attend me, bringing comfort to my anxious soul.
 Day by day, the blessings, Lord, you send me draw me nearer to my heav'nly goal.
 Love divine, beyond all mortal measure, brings to naught the burdens of my quest; Savior, lead me to the home I treasure, where at last I'll find eternal rest.

2. Day by day, I know you will provide me strength to serve and wisdom to obey;
I will seek your loving will to guide me o'er the paths I struggle day by day.
I will fear no evil of the morrow,
I will trust in your enduring grace.
Savior, help me bear life's pain and sorrow till in glory I behold your face.

3. Oh, what joy to know that you are near me when my burdens grow too great to bear; oh, what joy to know that you will hear me when I come, O Lord, to you in prayer.

Day by day, no matter what betide me, you will hold me ever in your hand.

Savior, with your presence here to guide me, I will reach at last the promised land.

Offering Prayer

L: Risen One,
you have gathered us around your
table of grace along with these gifts
we bring. Come among us again,
breathe your life into us that we may
live as your risen body in the world.

C: Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

Response after each petition:

L: Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

L: We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting that you are always with us; in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior.

C: Amen.

Blessing

L: The triune God, who was, who is, and who is to come, Sovereign, + Savior, and Spirit, light your way with resurrection dawn, now and always.

C: Amen.

Shine, Jesus, Shine

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Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory; blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire.

Flow, river, flow,
flood the nations with love and mercy;
send forth your Word,
Lord, and let there be light!



Jesus, light of the world, shine upon us, set us free by the truth you now bring us. Shine on me, shine on me.

Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory; blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire.

Flow, river, flow,
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Send forth your Word,
Lord, and let there be light!



ever changing from glory to glory, mirrored here, may our lives tell your story. Shine on me, shine on me. Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory; blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire.

Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with love and mercy; send forth your Word, Lord, and let there be light!

Dismissal

L: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

L: Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia!

C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

