LWML SUNDAY (TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENETCOST)

OCTOBER 13, 2024

WELCOME

Welcome in the name of Christ Jesus. As we worship, we pray that you will open your heart in preparation as our Savior comes to us through the word and sacraments. If you are a guest, please sign your name, address and most importantly your phone number in our Guest Book in the entrance and come and worship with us again. If we can be of assistance to you in your spiritual walk through life please let us know.



COMMUNION PRACTICE

Lamb of God celebrates the Lord's Supper in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust in His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes. Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, are asked first to speak with the Pastor or an elder. For further study, see MATTHEW 5:23ff; 10:32ff;18:15-35;26:26-29; 1 CORINTHIANS 11:17-34.

CAUTION

It is prudent and wise to let our church family know you have broken people sitting around you; this is a place for the broken as Jesus describes in the gospels. We have/may have folks in the congregation that have been alcoholics, drug abusers, spousal abusers, formerly violent and even sexual offenders. This is a house for the broken. We certainly understand that this is a Lamb of God Lutheran Church Ministry and have taken diligent steps to create a safe environment for all who would like to worship our Father.

A SPECIAL WELCOME TO THOSE WITH YOUNG CHILDREN

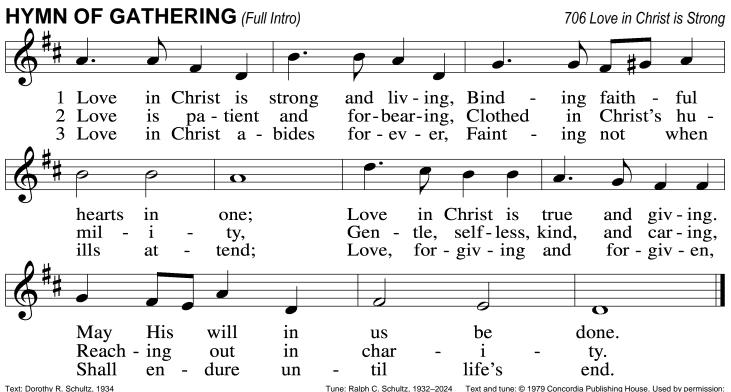
We are very happy that you are here today, whether this is your first or fiftieth time with us. If you need a little help, please ask. There are many people here at Lamb of God who will lend you a hand.

Here are some suggestions to help make worship with your children easier:

- Relax! Jesus knows that children tend to wiggle and squawk a bit, so please don't feel embarrassed by it. Your children are welcome at Lamb of God.
- Please dare to sit toward the front, where your children can easily see the pastor, note the colors, embrace the action at the altar, and wonder at the symbols in the great stained-glass windows. What Jesus does here promises to engage them.
- Explain the parts of the Divine Service to your children, encouraging them to chime in on their parts: Amen! Lord have mercy! And with your spirit! I believe! Our Father! All of this belongs to them, too.
- Sing the hymns, pray, and voice the responses. Children learn by following your lead.
- If you have to leave the service with your child, feel free to do so but please hurry back! Like Jesus, we want your children in the Liturgy, not out (there are soft toys and books in the nursery, and activity sheets with colored pencils in the fellowship hall which can be brought into the worship hall to help engage your child)
- Remember that the way we nurture children in church directly affects the way they respond to the Church, God, and to one another. Let them know that they are at home in this house of worship.
- Please know that while you are caring for your children, the rest of us will be rejoicing in Jesus' words "Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these" (LUKE 18:16)

We know that your children are a gift to the church, so we will do our best to welcome, smile, encourage, help, and bless you all.

PRELUDE



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+ PREPARATION +

• INVOCATION

- In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

EXHORTATION

- **P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

CONFESSION OF SINS

- **P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- 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.

ABSOLUTION

- 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.

1 John 1:8–9 LSB 151

Matthew 28:19b; 18:20 LSB 151

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[John 20:19–23] LSB 151

+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +

INTROIT

Psalm 34:1–3; antiphon: Isaiah 62:11b

- Say to the daughter of Zion, "Behold, your salvation comes."
- I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.
- My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the humble hear and be glad.
- Oh, magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together!
 Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
 as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.
- Say to the daughter of Zion,"Behold, your salvation comes."

KYRIE

Mark 10:47 LSB p 204

Lord, have mercy;
 Christ, have mercy;
 Lord, have mercy.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS (Short Intro)

I Glory to God in the Highest, and peace to His people on earth.



SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

L The Lord be with you.

• And also with you.

Let us pray: Almighty God, You announce Your will for us in mysterious and troubling ways. We pray that, as Mary once heard and accepted the angel's message of Your will, we too many hear Your call and respond with full faith and willingness to serve; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

1 Samuel 3:1–10

A The Old Testament Reading is from 1 Samuel, chapter 3.

¹The young man Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. And the word of the LORD was rare in those days; there was no frequent vision.

²At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his own place. ³The lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was.

⁴Then the LORD called Samuel, and he said, "Here I am!" ⁵and ran to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down.

⁶And the LORD called again, "Samuel!" and Samuel arose and went to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." ⁷Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him.

⁸And the LORD called Samuel again the third time. And he arose and went to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the young man. ⁹Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down, and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, LORD, for your servant hears.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

¹⁰And the LORD came and stood, calling as at other times, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant hears."

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL

 Your throne, O God, is forever and ever.
 The scepter of your kingdom is a scepter of uprightness; you have loved righteousness and hated wickedness.
 Therefore God, your God, has anointed you with the oil of gladness.

EPISTLE

Philippians 2:5–11

A The Epistle is from Philippians, chapter 2.

⁵Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, ⁶who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, ⁷but made himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. ⁸And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. ⁹Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- **G** Thanks be to God.



HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 1:26–38

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the first chapter.

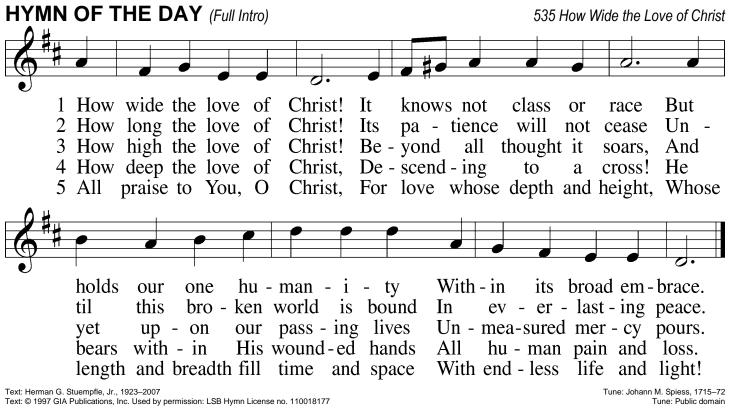
G Glory to You, O Lord.

²⁶In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth, ²⁷to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. And the virgin's name was Mary. ²⁸And he came to her and said, "Greetings, O favored one, the Lord is with you!" ²⁹But she was greatly troubled at the saying, and tried to discern what sort of greeting this might be. ³⁰And the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. ³¹And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus. ³²He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. And the Lord God will give to him the throne of his father David, ³³and he will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end."

³⁴And Mary said to the angel, "How will this be, since I am a virgin?"

³⁵And the angel answered her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be called holy—the Son of God. ³⁶And behold, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son, and this is the sixth month with her who was called barren. ³⁷For nothing will be impossible with God." ³⁸And Mary said, "Behold, I am the servant of the Lord; let it be to me according to your word." And the angel departed from her.

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- **G** Praise to You, O Christ.



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SERMON

Ready to Serve

• CREED

I believe in one God,

the Father Almighty,

maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,

the only-begotten Son of God,

begotten of His Father before all worlds,

God of God, Light of Light,

very God of very God,

begotten, not made,

being of one substance with the Father,

by whom all things were made;

who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven

and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man;

and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered and was buried.

And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures

and ascended into heaven

and sits at the right hand of the Father.

And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the Lord and giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,

I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,

and I look for the resurrection of the dead

and the life + of the world to come. Amen.

U PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

■ Ready to Serve! And the angel said to her (Mary), "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus" (LUKE 1:30–31). Mary's response to this call was very simple: "Behold, I am the servant of the Lord" (LUKE 1:38a). LWML Sunday calls us again to honor our God, to Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples!" (PSALM 96:3) and to Serve our LORD with gladness! (PSALM 100:2 & LWML MOTTO) as Mary did. "In fervent gratitude for the Savior's dying love and His blood-bought gift of redemption we dedicate ourselves to Him with all that we are and have."

(LWML Pledge)

- **I** As redeemed children of God, Lutheran Women in Mission give thanks for the opportunity to serve others as we have been served, to proclaim that Jesus is our Lord and that He came for all nations and the chance to respond with our mite offerings to support God's mission. Our example has been the widow and her mite. The offering she made was observed by our Lord leading Him to share that her copper coins, her mites, were "everything she had, all she had to live on" (MARK 12:43). May our mite offering be blessed for our Lord's kingdom.
- L O Lord,
- C have mercy.
- L O Christ,
- C have mercy.
- L O Lord,
- C have mercy.
- L Mary was chosen to be the mother of a child to be named Jesus, who would save all people from their sins. *"Mary, for you have found favor with God … you shall call his name Jesus."* (LUKE 1:30–31)
- G We thank You, Lord.
- L Mary's response of willingness to serve was a response of faith and trust. *"Behold, I am the servant of the Lord.*" (LUKE 1:38)

• We thank You, Lord.

I The Psalmist proclaimed that we are to Declare his glory among the nations, his *marvelous works among all the peoples* (PSALM 96:3). Help us O Lord to proclaim Your glory and to proclaim that You are the Christ.

G Help us, good Lord.

- L Jesus said to His disciples: "Go into all the world and proclaim the gospel to the whole creation" (MARK 16:15). Help us to encourage our mission efforts and missionaries with our prayers and our mite offerings. (copper coins)
- **G** Help us, good Lord.

- **I** The writer of Hebrews stated: Now may the God of peace ... equip you with everything good that you may do his will (HEBREWS 13:20–21). Help us, dear Lord, and equip all of us, women, men and children to engage in Your mission and our congregation's work.
- C Help us, good Lord.

L As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, (1 Peter 4:10a). Help us to remember our church workers in their ministry and also the service that is given through our Lutheran Women of Mission.

G Help us, good Lord.

- **L** "Serve the LORD with gladness!" (PSALM 100:2). Help our response to be one of joy and love as Jesus loved us and came to serve us.
- Help us, good Lord.
- **L** Gabriel reminded Mary, "For nothing will be impossible with God." (LUKE 1:37). Help us in our faith believe that all things are possible because our Lord is God.

• Help us, good Lord.

- L Mary was ready to serve her Lord. May we be ready and willing to serve our Lord with gladness.
- Help us, good Lord.
- L May our good Lord guide and direct us.
- In fervent gratitude for the Savior's dying love and His blood-bought gift of redemption we dedicate ourselves to Him with all that we are and have; and in obedience to His call for workers in the harvest fields, we pledge Him our willing service wherever and whenever He has need of us. We consecrate to our Savior our hands to work for Him, our feet to go on His errands, our voice to sing His praises, our lips to proclaim His redeeming love, our silver and our gold to extend His Kingdom, our will to do His will, and every power of our life to the great task of bringing the lost and the erring into eternal fellowship with Him. Amen.
- L O Lord,
- **C** have mercy.
- L O Christ,
- **C** have mercy.
- L O Lord,
- have mercy. Amen.

OFFERING

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courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

+ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +

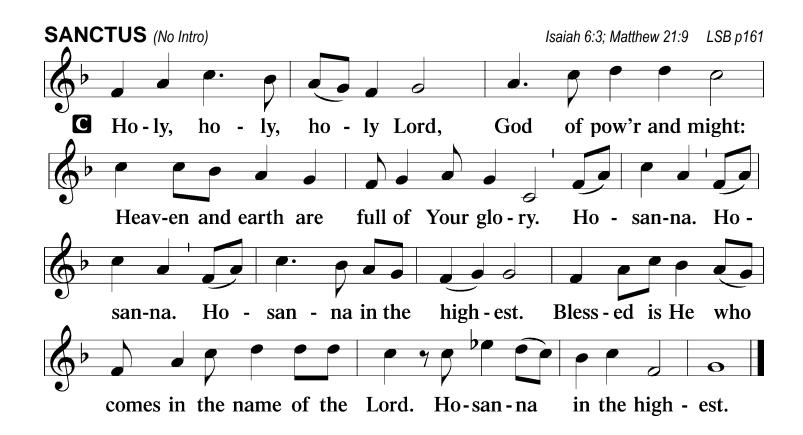
• PREFACE

2 Timothy 4:22; [Colossians 3:1]; [Psalm 136] LSB 160

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- We lift them to the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- **G** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE (FULL)

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:



PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

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.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25 LSB 162 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 + 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 + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

- As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.
- **G** Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

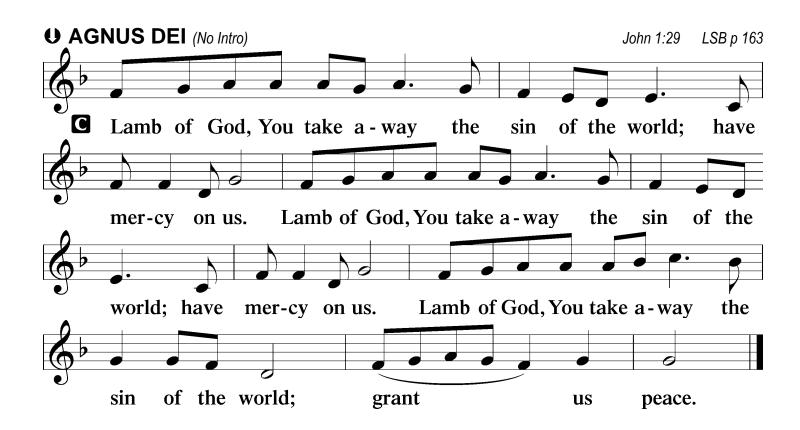
LORD'S PRAYER

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; 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.

PAX DOMINI

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.



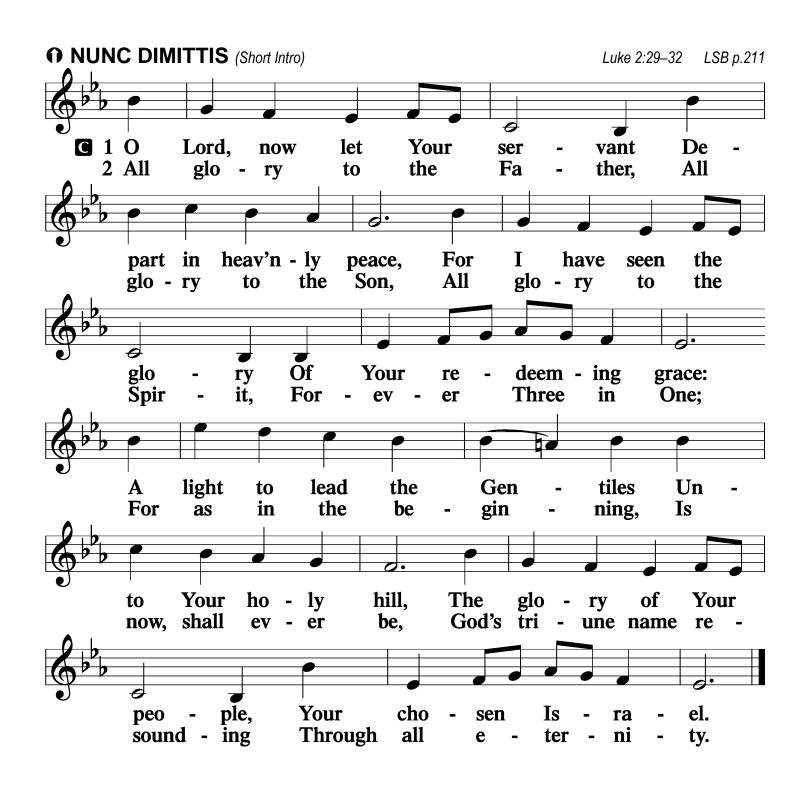
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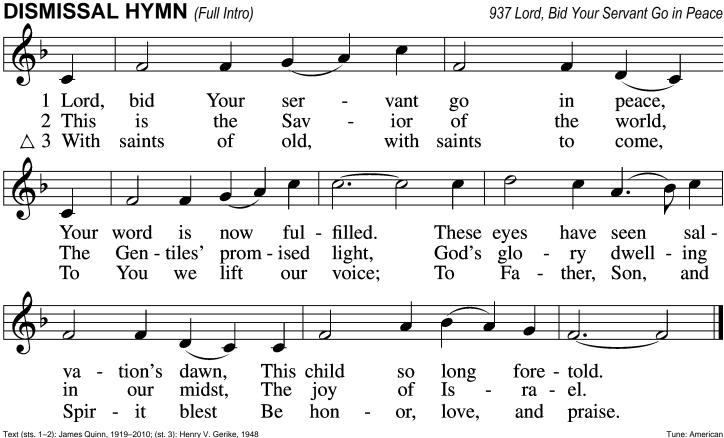
- Let us pray: We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- **C** Amen.

O ANNOUNCEMENTS

BENEDICTION

Numbers 6:24-26 LSB p 166

- 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** Amen.



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DISMISSAL

- **P** Go in peace as you serve the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God! Alleluia, Amen!

POSTLUDE

947 All Glory Be to God on High