PRINCE OF PEACE
LUTHERAN CHURCH

20th Sunday after Pentecost

October 10 & 11, 2026



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Matthew 22:1-2

Welcome to Prince of Peace

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church has been serving the Dublin, Ohio community for 40 years, ministering to its members and friends and supporting local ministries such as the Dublin Food Pantry, Lutheran Social Services, One Dublin, Faith Mission, and Habitat for Humanity.

Prince of Peace is part of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA). The ELCA pursues God's work in the world with 3 million members in more than 8700 congregations across the U.S. and in the Caribbean region. The ELCA works with Lutheran Disaster Response, Lutheran World Relief, Global Refuge, Lutheran World Federation, World Council of Churches, schools and colleges, seminaries, camps, ecumenical and interreligious companions, as well as numerous global church partners and organizations.

Please visit our website, princeofpeacedublin.org, for more information about Prince of Peace.

Joining Prince of Peace
If you are interested in becoming a member of Prince of Peace, please email the church office, office@princeofpeacedublin.org, for more information. Our next new member weekend is November 14 & 15.

Please note that Sunday's 10:30 AM worship service is broadcast live on YouTube, recorded and made publicly available. If you have any questions about the recording or broadcast of our worship services, please contact the church office at office@princeofpeacedublin.org.

On the cover: The Peasant Wedding, Pieter Bruegel the Elder, 1567, oil on panel, Vienna Kunsthistorisches Museum.

SCAN to read this week's newsletter *Peace Signs*

GATHERING

Bolded text indicates Congregational response. This symbol ✠ invites you to make the sign of the cross in remembrance of your baptism. All hymns are found in the ELW (red) hymnal in the pew, unless printed in the bulletin.

There is a one-minute bell peal, five minutes before the start of our worship, calling us to gather in the sanctuary. The prelude then offers an additional opportunity to enter into a spirit of worship and prayer.

PRELUDE At the Lamb's High Feast Michael Burkhardt

The bell tolls three times when the prelude ends, after which the Presider will invite the congregation to stand and face the procession.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Presider: In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Presider: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

All: Amen.

Presider: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Most merciful God,

All: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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.

Presider: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

ENTRANCE HYMN

ELW 873

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!

MARION

(5:30 PM & 9:00 AM) *Stanzas 1, 2, 3 & 6*

(10:30 AM) *St 1-2: All; St. 3: Upper Voices; Refrain: All; St. 4: Lower Voices; Refrain: All; St. 5-6: All*



5 At last the march shall end;
the wearied ones shall rest;
the pilgrims find their home at last,
Jerusalem the blest. *Refrain*

6 Praise God who reigns on high,
the Lord whom we adore:
the Father, Son, and Spirit blest,
one God forevermore. *Refrain*

The Apostolic Greeting

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

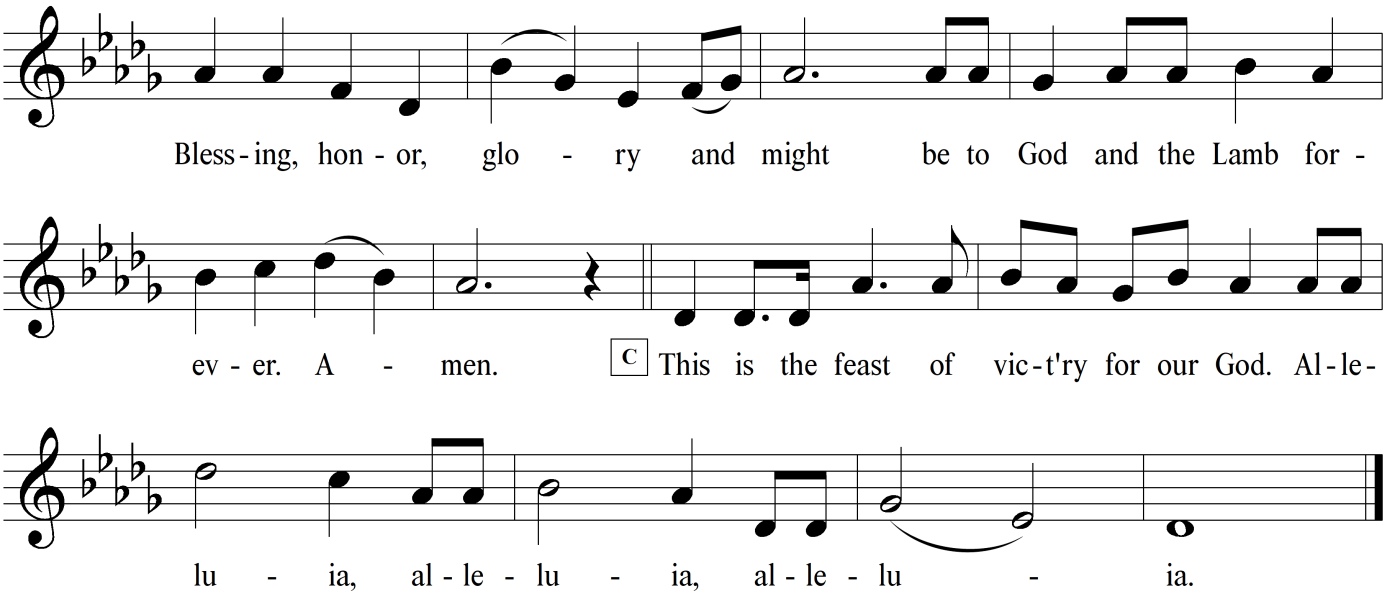
All: And also with you.

Hymn of Praise

(5:30 PM) *Sung by All*

(9:00 & 10:30 AM) *C: All; I: Higher Voices; II: Lower Voices*





Prayer of the Day

Presider: Lord of the feast, you have prepared a table before all peoples and poured out your life with abundance. Call us again to your banquet. Strengthen us by what is honorable, just, and pure, and transform us into a people of righteousness and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

All: Amen.

WORD

First Lesson

Isaiah 25:1-9

[1] O Lord, you are my God; I will exalt you; I will praise your name, for you have
done wonderful things, plans formed of old, faithful and sure. [2] For you have made
the city a heap, the fortified city a ruin; the palace of foreigners is a city no more; it
will never be rebuilt. [3] Therefore strong peoples will glorify you; cities of ruthless
nations will fear you. [4] For you have been a refuge to the poor, a refuge to the needy
in their distress, a shelter from the rainstorm and a shade from the heat. When the
blast of the ruthless was like a winter rainstorm, [5] the noise of foreigners like heat in a
dry place, you subdued the heat with the shade of clouds; the song of the ruthless was
stilled.

[6] On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a
feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained
clear. [7] And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples,
the covering that is spread over all nations; [8] he will swallow up death forever. Then
the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people
he will take away from all the earth, for the Lord has spoken. [9] It will be said on that
day, "See, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is
the Lord for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation."

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

PSALMODY

Psalm 23

The Cantor/Choir sings the Refrain; the Congregation repeats the Refrain and sings the Refrain as indicated.

PSALM REFRAIN



1. My shepherd is the Lord; there is nothing I shall want.
   Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose.
   Near restful waters he leads me; he revives my soul.,

2. He guides me along the right path, for the sake of his name,
   Though I should walk in the valley of the shadow of death,
   no evil should I fear, for you are with me. ***Refrain***

3. You have prepared a table before me in the sight of my foes.
   My head you have anointed with oil; my cup is overflowing.

4. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life.
   In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for the length of days unending. ***Refrain***

Second Lesson

Philippians 4:1-9

[1]My brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm
in the Lord in this way, my beloved.
[2] I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. [3] Yes, and
I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled
beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my
coworkers, whose names are in the book of life.
[4] Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. [5] Let your gentleness be
known to everyone. The Lord is near. [6] Do not be anxious about anything, but in
everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made
known to God. [7] And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard
your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.
[8] Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is
just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any
excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. [9] As for
the things that you have learned and received and heard and noticed in me, do them,
and the God of peace will be with you.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation



Cantor: This is the Lord for whom | we have waited;
let us be glad and rejoice in | God's salvation. **All repeat Alleluia**

GOSPEL

Matthew 22:1-14

Preacher: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

[1]Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: [2]"The kingdom of heaven
may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. [3]He sent his
slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would
not come. [4]Again he sent other slaves, saying, 'Tell those who have been invited:
Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered,
and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.' [5]But they made light of it
and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, [6]while the rest seized his
slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. [7]The king was enraged. He sent his troops,
destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. [8]Then he said to his slaves, 'The
wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. [9]Go therefore into the main
streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.' [10]Those slaves went
out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad, so the
wedding hall was filled with guests.

[11]"But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was
not wearing a wedding robe, [12]and he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here
without a wedding robe?' And he was speechless. [13]Then the king said to the
attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where
there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' [14]For many are called, but few are
chosen."

Preacher: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

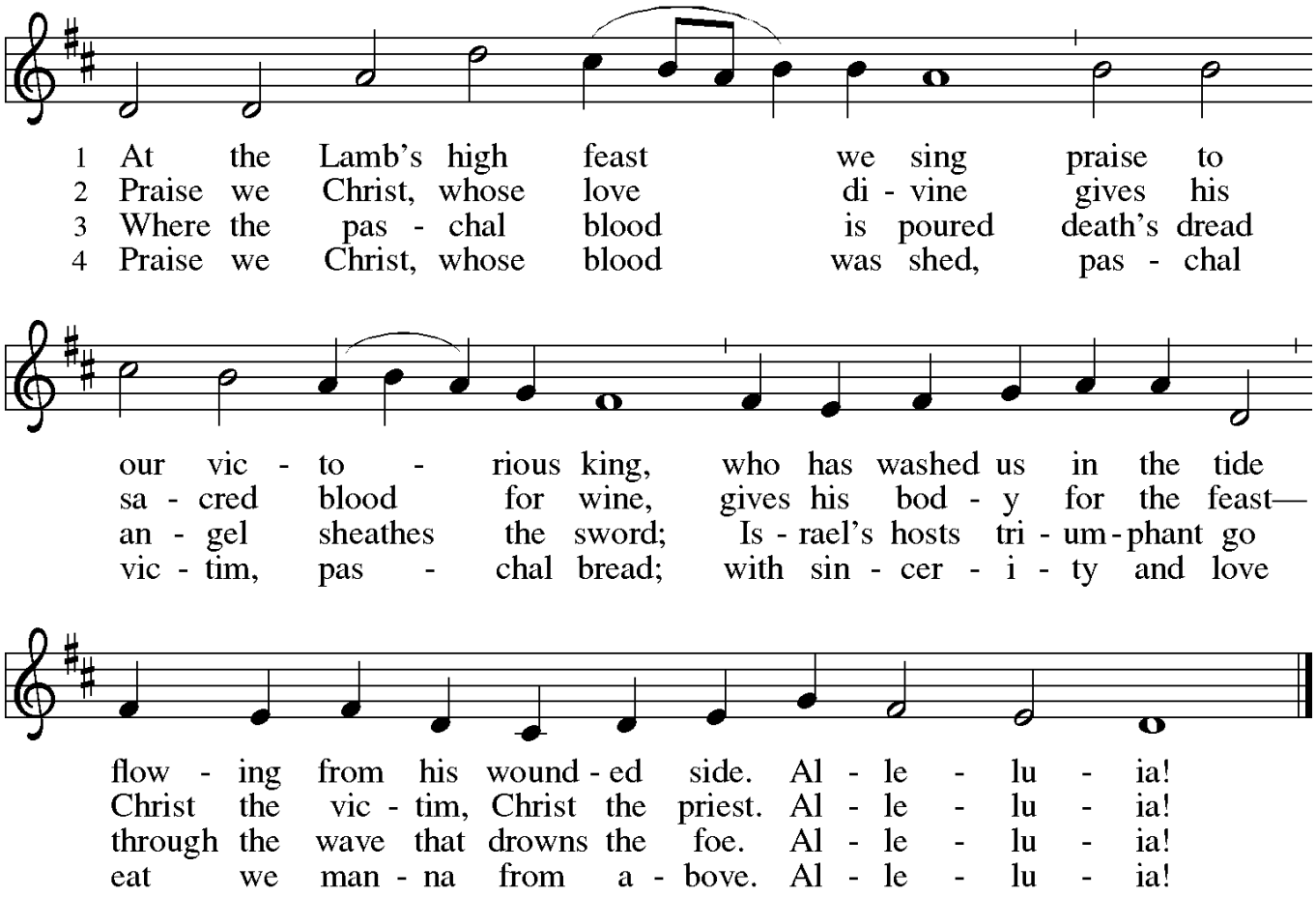
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At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing

SONNE DER GERECHTIGKEIT

(5:30 PM & 9:00 AM)) *St. 1-4, 8*

(10:30 AM) *St. 1-3: All; 4:Organ; 5-6: All; 7: Organ; 8: All*



5 Mighty victim from the sky,
hell's fierce pow'rs beneath you lie;
you have conquered in the fight,
you have brought us life and light.
Alleluia!

6 Now no more can death appall,
now no more the grave enthrall;
you have opened paradise,
and your saints in you shall rise.
Alleluia!

7 Easter triumph, Easter joy!
This alone can sin destroy;
from sin's pow'r, Lord, set us free,
newborn souls in you to be.
Alleluia!

8 Father, who the crown shall give,
Savior, by whose death we live,
Spirit, guide through all our days:
Three in One, your name we praise.
Alleluia!

(5:30 PM & 10:30 AM)

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.

(9:00 AM)

Please turn to the order of Holy Baptism on page 227 in the red hymnal.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

Elsie Mae Wittmann, daughter of Erin and Peter Wittmann

Reese Clara Riddle, daughter of Cole and Olivia Riddle

Prayers of Intercession

Assisting Minister: Standing firm with the Lord, let us lift voices to heaven with prayers for the Church and all people worldwide. *A moment of silence.*

God of all creation, you are the ruler of the earth, sea, and sky. Guide us to live in harmony with all your creation. As the leaves begin to change, may we reflect on what we can do to take care of this beautiful world.

God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Compassionate Father, open our ears to your words and open our hearts to share your love with our neighbors. We pray for those who help serve the First English Lutheran Church community and for the Thankful Holiday Meals. Let our small hands come together to accomplish big things in your name.

God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Righteous God, we are thankful to be invited to your banquet table. Help us to turn away from worldly temptations and be an example against prejudice, hatred, and jealousy in our lives. May others see your peace in our presence.

God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Loving God, when life is uncertain and full of anxiety, let us remember to turn to you. Bring light to those suffering from mental illness and guide them to seek help. We pray for all who are dealing with physical and mental challenges on this day, especially for those we mention now. *A moment of silence.*

God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Generous God, you provide for all our needs. Your banquet table is full of your bounty and large enough for all. We pray that all will find a path to your glory and a seat at your table.

Through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

All: Amen.

Peace

Presider: The peace of Christ be with you always.

All: And also with you.

Announcements

MEAL

Offering

At Prince of Peace, we rely on our members to support the financial needs of our congregation. As a visitor, please know that all loose cash offerings will go outside of our church to support a variety of local partners that help people in need.

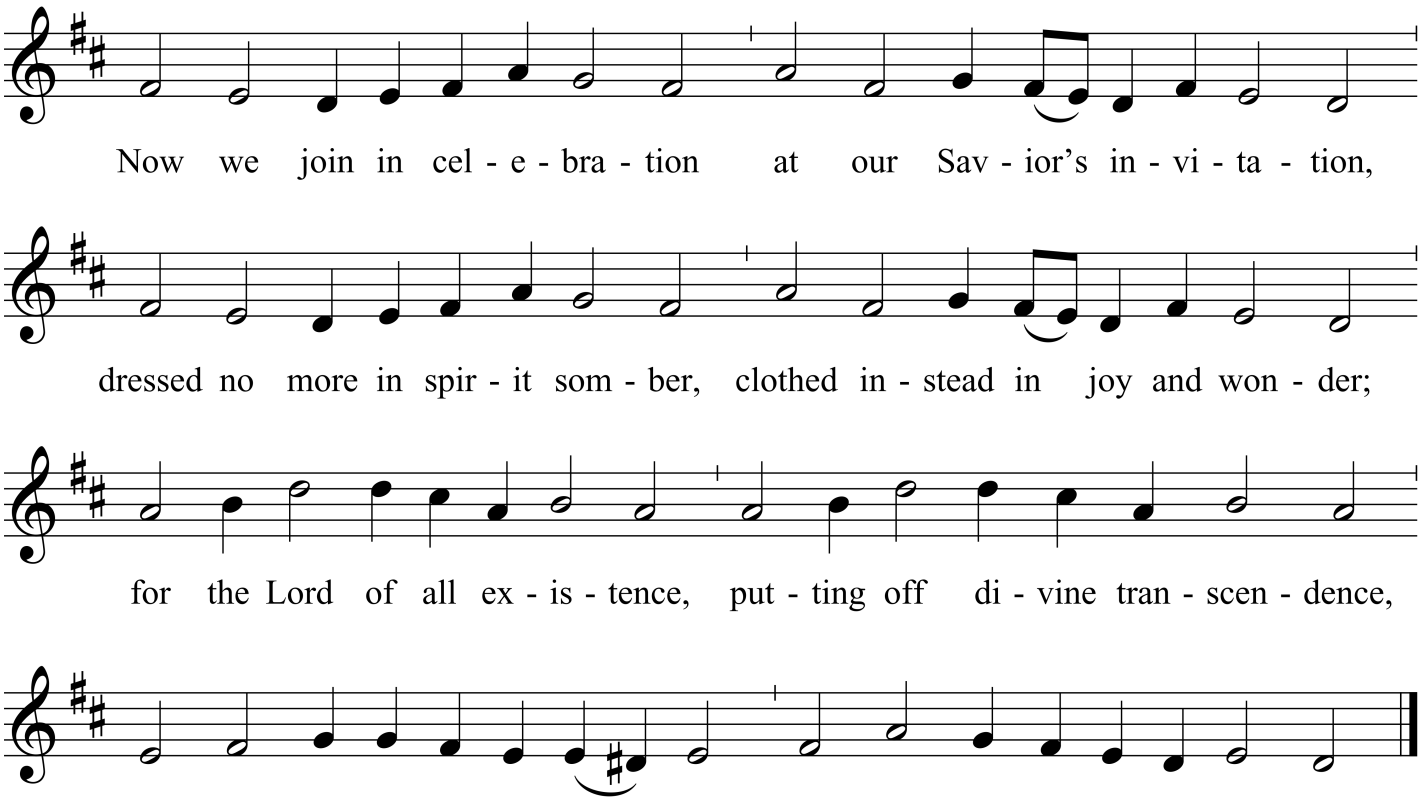
Today's flowers are given by Rhonda Maynard, in memory of Sue Maynard; and by Kim and Tim Ninke, in celebration of their 35th wedding anniversary.

Musical Offering

(5:30 PM)	The Lord Is My Shepherd Evan Lloyd, soloist	Keith Green
(9:00 AM)	The Lord Is My Shepherd Alivia Snyder, soloist	Keith Green
(10:30 AM)	My Shepherd Will Supply Prince of Peace Choir Nancy Twynham, flute	Mack Wilberg

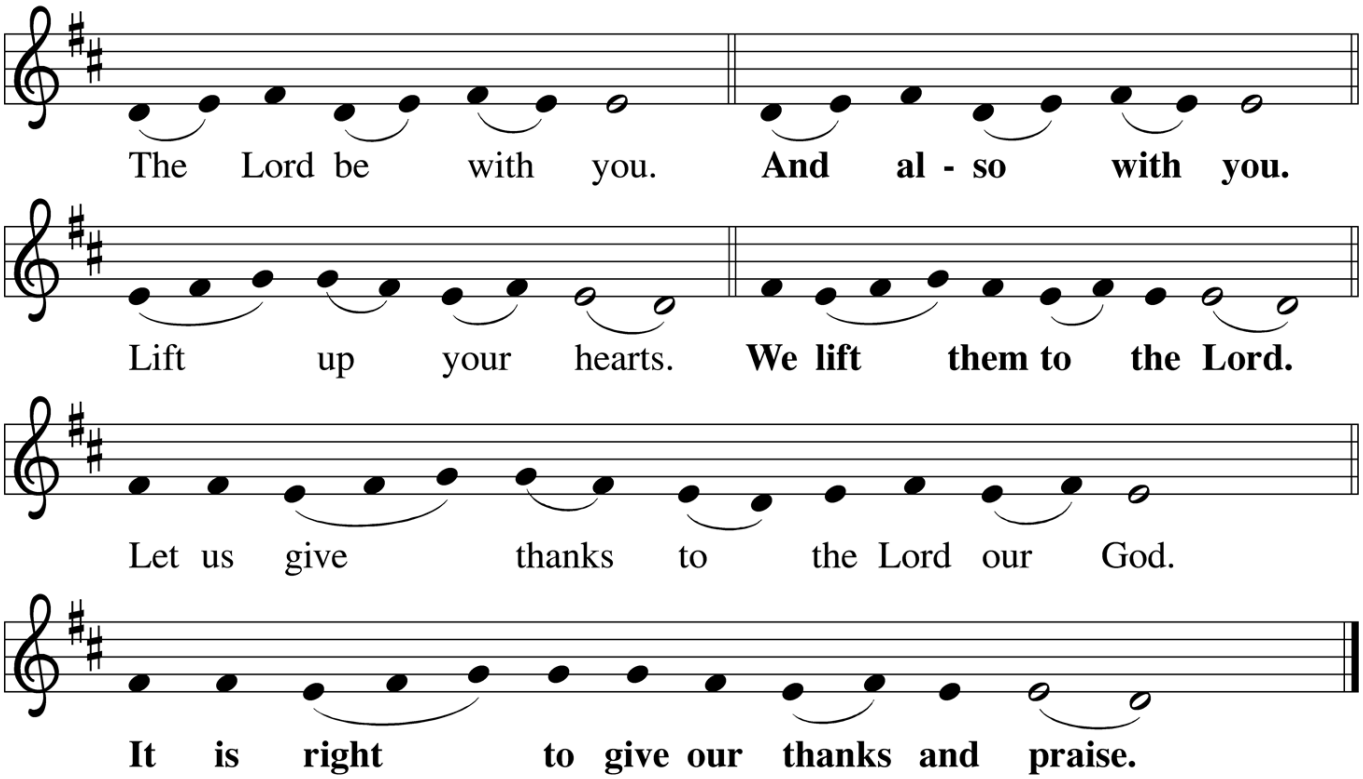
(10:30 AM) *Please stand and face the offertory procession as the gifts are brought forward.*

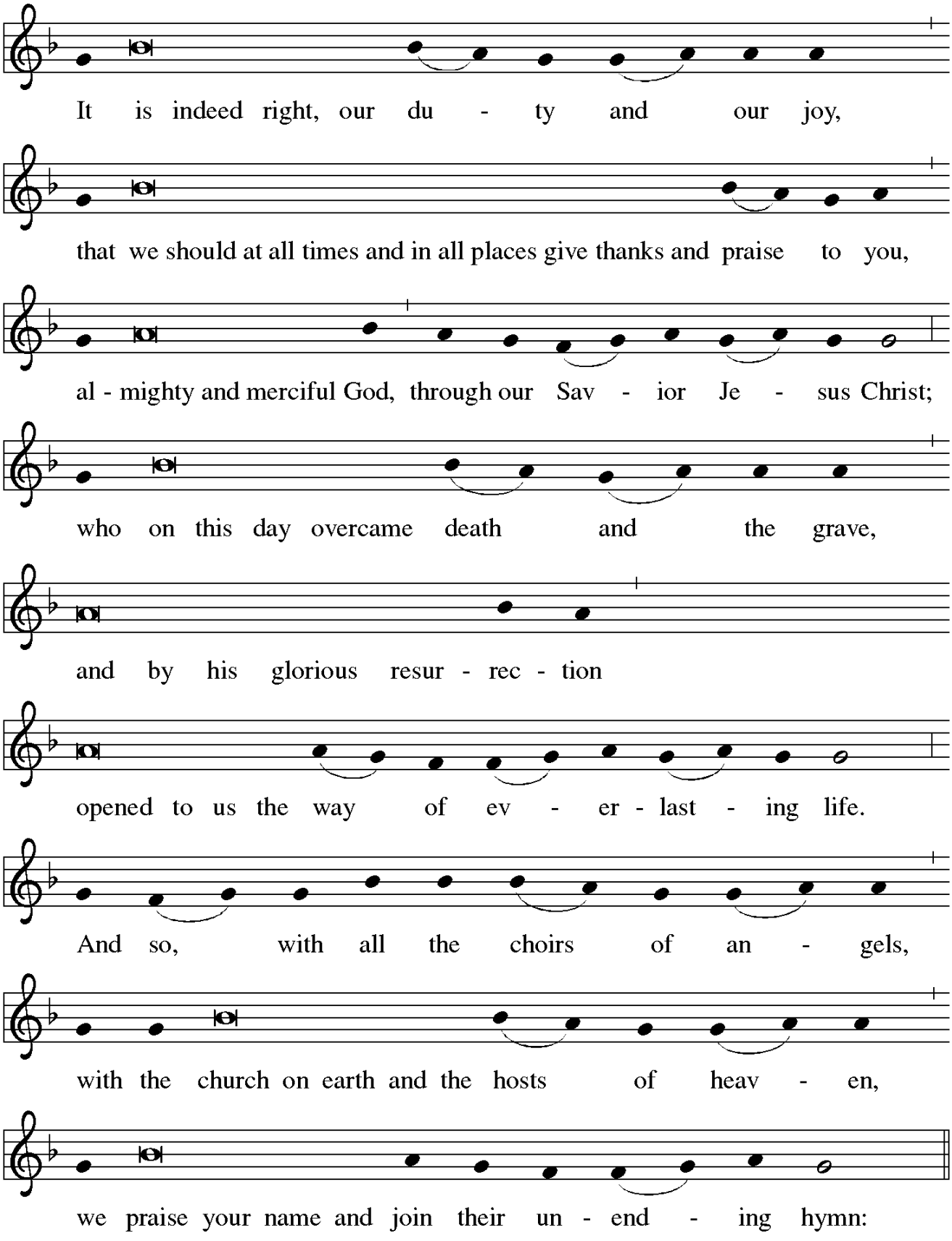
OFFERTORY HYMN



GREAT THANKSGIVING

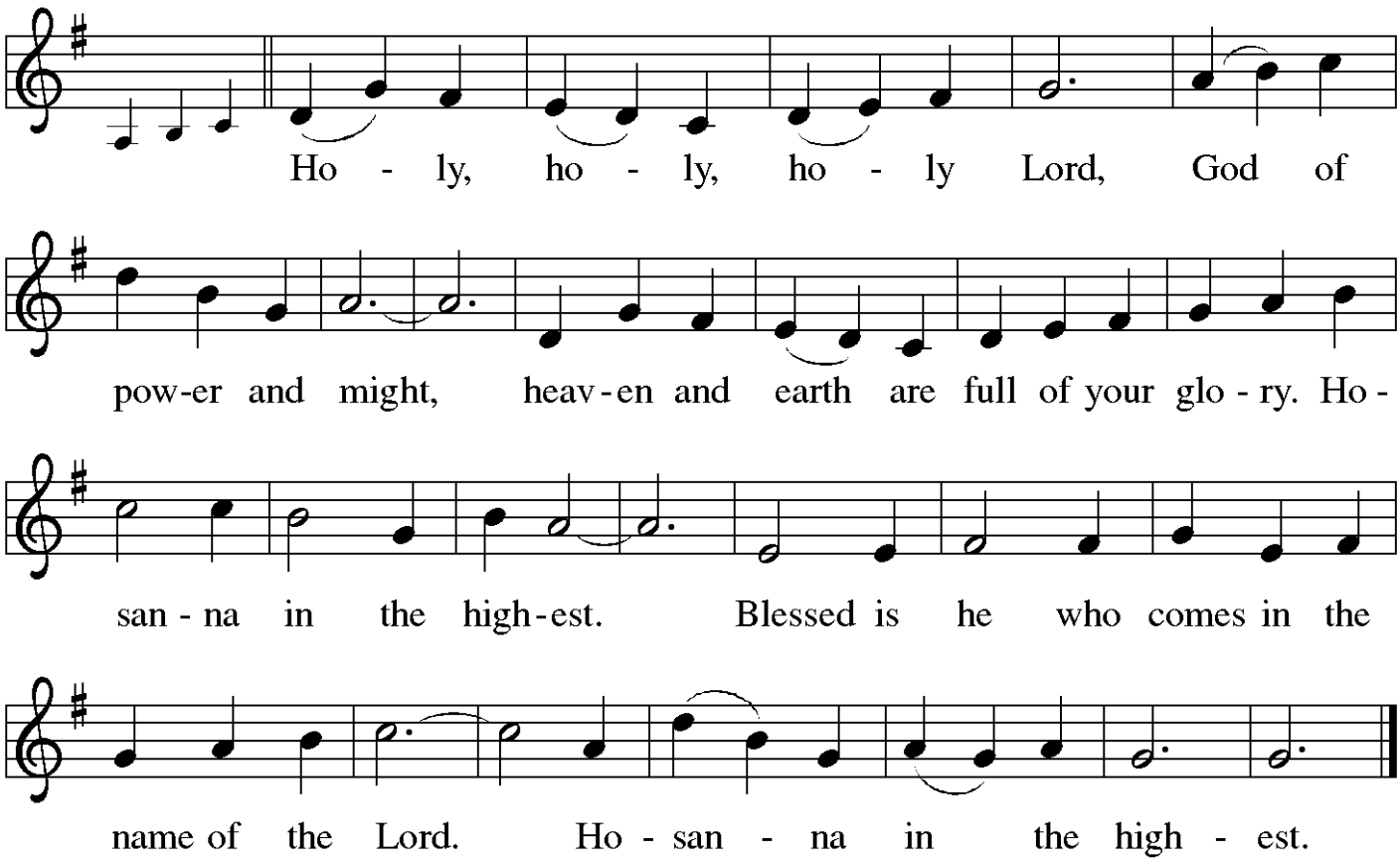
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It is indeed right, our du - ty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you,
al - mighty and merciful God, through our Sav - ior Je - sus Christ;
who on this day overcame death and the grave,
and by his glorious resur - rec - tion
opened to us the way of ev - er - last - ing life.
And so, with all the choirs of an - gels,
with the church on earth and the hosts of heav - en,
we praise your name and join their un - end - ing hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

S 108



EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Holy God, our Bread of life, our Table, and our Food,
you created a world in which all might be satisfied by your abundance.

You dined with Abraham and Sarah, promising them life,
and fed your people Israel with manna from heaven.

You sent your Son to eat with sinners and to become food for the world.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his life given for us and his rising from the grave, we await his coming again to share with us the everlasting feast.

By your Spirit nurture and sustain us with this meal: strengthen us to serve all in hunger and want, and by this bread and cup make of us the body of your Son.

Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.

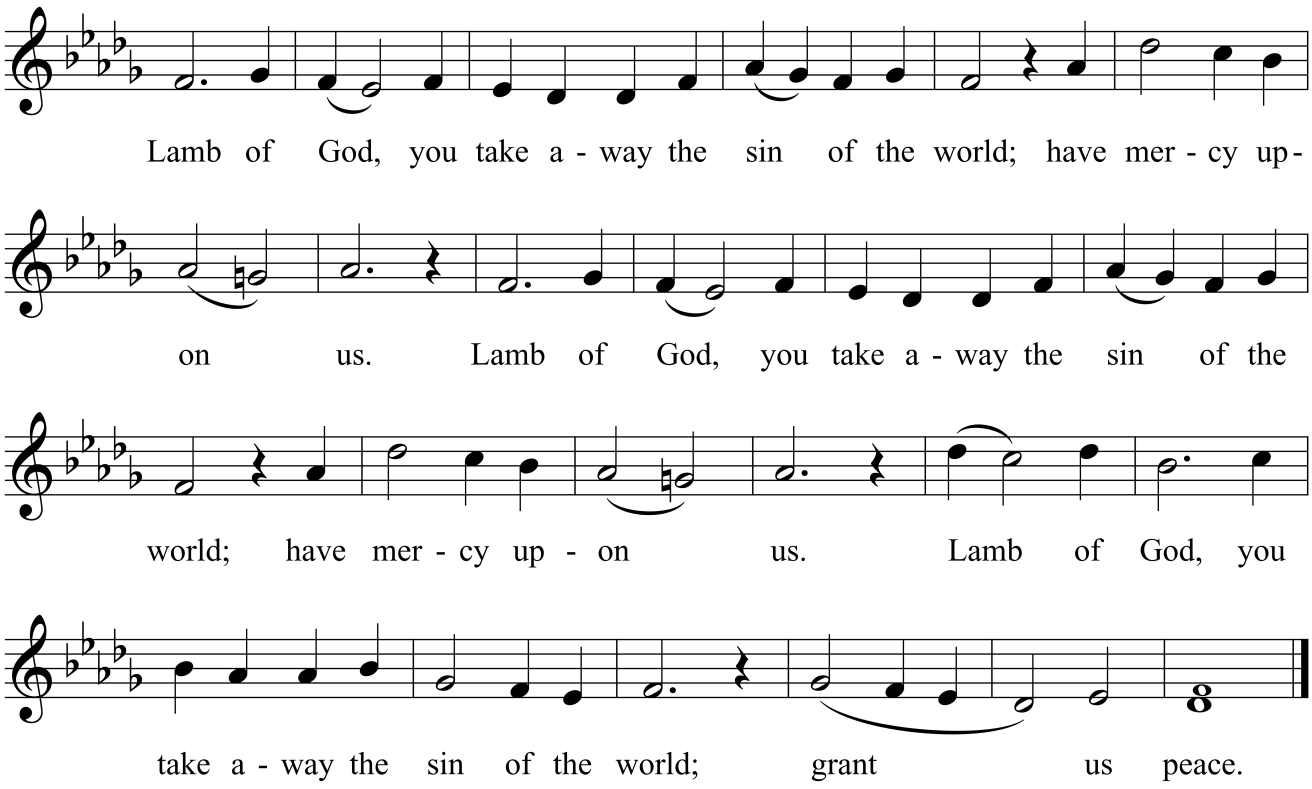
All: **Amen**

The bell tolls seven times, once for each petition.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.

Lamb of God



The Distribution

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Ushers will direct you to a station to receive the bread and wine. Gluten-free wafers are available; request from your server.

(10:30 am)

Solo During Communion

The Lord Is My Shepherd — Keith Green

Alivia Snyder, soloist

(9:00 & 10:30 AM)

HYMN DURING COMMUNION

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Come, Let Us Eat

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SENDING

Prayer After Communion

Assisting
Minister: Sustaining God, with this bread and cup, you nourish us with mercy and abundant life. By your Spirit, send us from this table to serve a needy world. Make us living signs of your liberation, healing, and love, following the way of Jesus, in whose name we pray.

All: Amen.

(5:30 PM & 9:00 AM)

Benediction

Presider: The God of love draw you into full accord and one mind, in the body of Christ Jesus.

All: Amen.

Presider: The God of hope grant you strength and joy in all circumstances through the interceding of the Spirit.

All: Amen.

Presider: The God of grace ✠ bless you now and forever.

All: Amen.

(10:30 AM)

Choral Benediction

The Lord Bless You — E. Fred Morris
Prince of Peace Choir

SENDING HYMN

ELW 547

Sent Forth by God's Blessing

THE ASH GROVE



Dismissal

Assisting
Minister: Go out in joy. Be led forth in peace.

All: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

(5:30 PM & 9:00 AM)	Sent Forth by God's Blessings	Rick Deasley
(10:30 AM)	Fanfare	C. S. Lang

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Assisting with Worship

20th Sunday after Pentecost

October 10 & 11, 2026

	Saturday, 5:30 PM	Sunday, 9:00 AM	Sunday, 10:30 AM
Front Door Greeter		Marty Schultz	Andrea Burns
Back Door Greeter		Tonia Kennedy	Payton Long
Assisting Minister	Linda Dreier	Matt Ludwig	Brent McCoy
Lector	Greg LaBarge	Cathy Koenig	Laura Eickholt
Communion Server		Mitch Huber Mike Huber	Peter Berryman Bill Hutter Clark Powell
Altar Care	ALTAR CARE	Roxanne Docter Cyndi Flower Gayle Schuett	Judy Lang ALTAR CARE
Head Usher	Tony Smith	Tim Ninke	HEAD USHER
Usher	Donna LaBarge	Justin Aksertwicz Tom Guehl Mike Ziegler	Mike Kreider Bill Mackensen Jan Ostarchvic
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Nursery Room #2		Hudson Lipe	NURSERY
A/V Producer			Breanne Ziegler
Offering Depositor			Ray Shealy
Prayer Writer	Elaine Messersmith, Mark Messersmith		
Welcome Center	Adam Biehl		
Altar Linens	Karen Berkman		
POP's Cafe	Lynn Guilbert, Mark Keister, Deborah McDonough, Annie Thomas, Mathews Thomas		

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