



Prelude & Confession & Absolution

P: In the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit
C: Amen

P: Brothers and sisters in Christ, let us gather with true hearts that confess our sins to God, that earnestly ask for forgiveness and that trust in our renewal through the work of our Savior Jesus the Christ.

A: Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C: who made heaven and earth. [Psalm 124:8]

A: I said I will confess my transgressions to the Lord.
C: And you forgave the iniquity of my sin. [Psalm 32:5]

A: Almighty God, merciful Father:
C: I confess to you all my sins with which I have offended you and my neighbors. I am sorry for them. I devote myself to repentance and pray for your mercy. In your boundless grace and compassion send me your Holy Spirit that I may be strengthened in my faith and made ready for a life obedient to your will and your way.

P: God is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and full of steadfast love. [Exodus 34:6] Therefore, in obedience to the command of our Lord Jesus Christ, I declare the entire forgiveness of all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C: Amen.

Entrance Hymn

My Master was a Worker

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1. My Master was a worker,
With daily work to do,
And those who would be like Him
Must be a worker, too.
Then welcome honest labor,
And honest labor's fare,
For where there is a worker,
The Master's own is there.

3. My Master was a helper,
The woes of life He knew,
And those who would be like Him
Must be a helper, too.
The burden will grow lighter,
If each will take a share,
And where there is a helper,
The Master's own is there.

2. My Master was a colleague,
A trusty friend and true,
And those who would be like Him
Must be a colleague, too.
In happy hour of singing,
In silent hours of care,
Where goes a loyal colleague,
The Master's own is there.

4. Then, workers brave and honest,
Together let us be,
For He, who is our Master,
The Lord of all is was He.
And all who would be like Him
Are wanted everywhere,
And where they love each other
The Master's own is there.

Greeting

P: 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

ELW Setting 2

P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



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



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



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



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



Hymn of Praise

ELW Setting 2



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



1 Lord God, heav-en - ly King, al - might-y God and Fa - ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



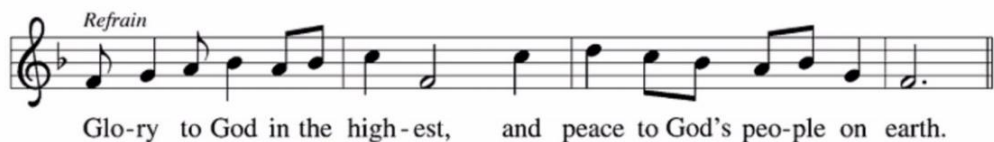
2 Lord Je - sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of



God, you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us; you are



seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



3 For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,



you a-lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly



Spir-it, in the glo-ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.



Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

Prayer of the Day

P: You are the treasured people of the Lord,

C: A people holy to the Lord our God.

A: We have seen what our God has done

C: We declare God's faithfulness from age to age for all time.

A: We hear and keep God's Word,

C: And all that God has spoken we will do.

P: Let us pray:

C: Gracious God, as what is planted in the ground bears fruit and we are nourished and sustained by it, so make your word planted in our hearts bear fruit within us, that we and all who seek goodness, wisdom and compassion

will find these blessings nurtured and sustained through all our words and actions. We pray this in the name of the true vine to whom we have been grafted in grace, Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

Lesson

Isaiah 5:1-7

Let me sing for my beloved my love-song concerning his vineyard:

My beloved had a vineyard on a very fertile hill.
He dug it and cleared it of stones, and planted it with
choice vines;
he built a watchtower in the midst of it, and hewed out a
wine vat in it;
he expected it to yield grapes, but it yielded wild grapes.

And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and people of Judah, judge
between me and my vineyard.

What more was there to do for my vineyard that I have not
done in it?
When I expected it to yield grapes, why did it yield wild
grapes?

And now I will tell you what I will do to my vineyard.

I will remove its hedge, and it will be devoured;
I will break down its wall, and it will be trampled down.
I will make it a waste; it will not be pruned or hoed,
and it will be overgrown with briars and thorns;
I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon
it.

For the vineyard of the Lord of Hosts is the house of Israel, and
the people of Judah are his pleasant planting;

God expected justice,
but saw bloodshed;
righteousness,
but heard a cry!

R: The word of the Lord! C: Thanks be to God!

Psalm

Psalm 80

*Restore us, O God of hosts;
let your face shine, that we may be saved.*

**You brought a vine out of Egypt;
you drove out the nations and planted it.**

*You cleared the ground for it;
it took deep root and filled the land.*

**The mountains were covered with its shade,
the mighty cedars with its branches;**

*it sent out its branches to the sea,
and its shoots to the River.*

**Why then have you broken down its walls,
so that all who pass along the way pluck its fruit?**

*The boar from the forest ravages it,
and all that move in the field feed on it.*

**Turn again, O God of hosts;
look down from heaven, and see;
have regard for this vine,
the stock that your right hand planted.**

Lesson

Philippians 3:1-14

Finally, my brothers and sisters, rejoice in the Lord! To write the same things to you over and over again is not a waste of time for me but, it makes you more certain about what I say.

Keep a careful eye on the “dogs!” Keep a careful eye on the workers of evil! Keep a careful eye on those who want to mutilate you! For we are the ones who really are the people of God. We are worshipping the Spirit of God and boasting in Christ Jesus and do not have confidence in our birthright . . .

But whatever I had that I thought was profitable to me regarding my righteousness I have now come to regard as unprofitable because of Christ. I now consider all those things unprofitable because of the unsurpassed knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord, through whom all things suffer loss, and are considered trash. I do this so that I may gain Christ and may be found in him - not having my own righteousness that comes from the law, but one that comes through the faith of Christ, the righteousness from God based on the faith.

I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the experiences of the stress of being faithful and even being faithful to death – like Christ was - if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead. Not that I have already obtained this resurrection or have already reached this goal! But, still, I press on to make it my own because Christ Jesus has made me *his* own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead I press on toward the goal of the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

R: The word of the Lord! C: Thanks be to God!

Verse

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Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Gospel Acclamation

P: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 21st Chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord!

Gospel

Matthew 21

In the last few days before his death, Jesus was in the Temple being challenged by the Jewish religious leaders. Jesus responded by telling three parables. This was the second parable. Jesus says to them . . .

You all – Listen to another parable! There was a man – a Householder - who plants a vineyard, and he puts a fence around it and he digs a wine press in it, and he builds a fortified watchtower and he hands it out to Viticulturists (those skilled in cultivating the grapes, but in making the wine) and he travels abroad. But, when the critical-time of the fruits comes near he sends out his slaves to the Viticulturists to collect his fruits. And the Viticulturists collect his slaves – one they beat, one they kill - but another, they stone.

Again the Householder sends other slaves, more than the first time, and the Viticulturists did the same to them.

But later, the Householder sends his son, saying, 'They will be ashamed by my son.'

But the Viticulturists, seeing the son, say among themselves, 'He is the Inheritor. Come! We may kill him and we may take his Inheritance.'

And collecting him, they throw him out and they kill him.

Therefore, when the "Lord of the Vineyard" may come, what will he do to those Viticulturists?"

They tell him, "Those evil, he will evilly destroy and he will hand out the vineyard to other Viticulturists who *will* hand back the fruits in their critical-time."

Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the scriptures:

*'The stone rejected by those building,
this one has been put in as the keystone;
this comes from the Lord, and it is amazing in our eyes'?*

[Ps 118:22]

Therefore, I tell you, that the Kingdom of God will be taken away from you and will be given to a people producing the fruits of it.

And hearing this parable of his, the Chief Priests and the Pharisees know that he speaks about them. And they are seeking to seize him - afraid of the crowds because they have made him into a prophet.

P: The Gospel of the Lord! C: Praise to you, O Christ!

Sermon

Hymn of the Day

Beautiful Savior

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1 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, King of cre - a - tion,
2 Fair are the mead - ows, fair are the wood - lands,
3 Fair is the sun - shine, fair is the moon - light,
4 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, Lord of the na - tions,

Son of God and Son of Man!
robed in the flow'rs of spring;
bright in the spar - kling stars on high;
Son of God and Son of Man!

Tru - ly I'd love thee, tru - ly I'd serve thee,
Je - sus is fair - er, Je - sus is pur - er,
Je - sus shines bright - er, Je - sus shines pur - er,
Glo - ry and hon - or, praise, ad - o - ra - tion,

light of my soul, my joy, my crown.
he makes our sor - rowing spir - it sing.
than all the an - gels in the sky.
now and for - ev - er - more be thine!

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.

Prayers & Passing of the Peace & Offering / Offertory



Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of
bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be
fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u -
nite them with the prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your
pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

A: Let us Pray

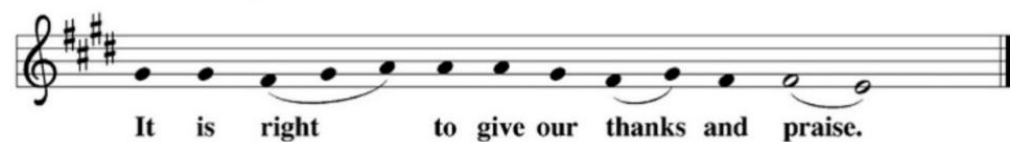
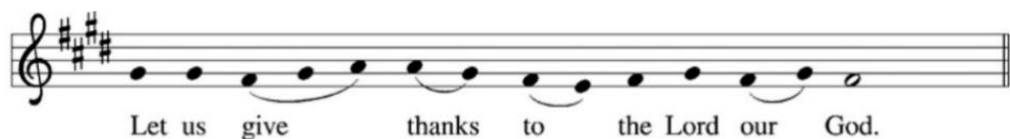
C: God of grace and abundance, we joyfully offer these gifts of thanks for your blessings in our lives. We pray that you find what we bring in this moment to be an acceptable and adequate reflection of our gratitude, that you will continue to look on us as your faithful people, worthy of your favor and beneficence. And with humbleness in the face of our hubris, we beg your forgiveness for our lack of attention, respect and care for all you provide. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

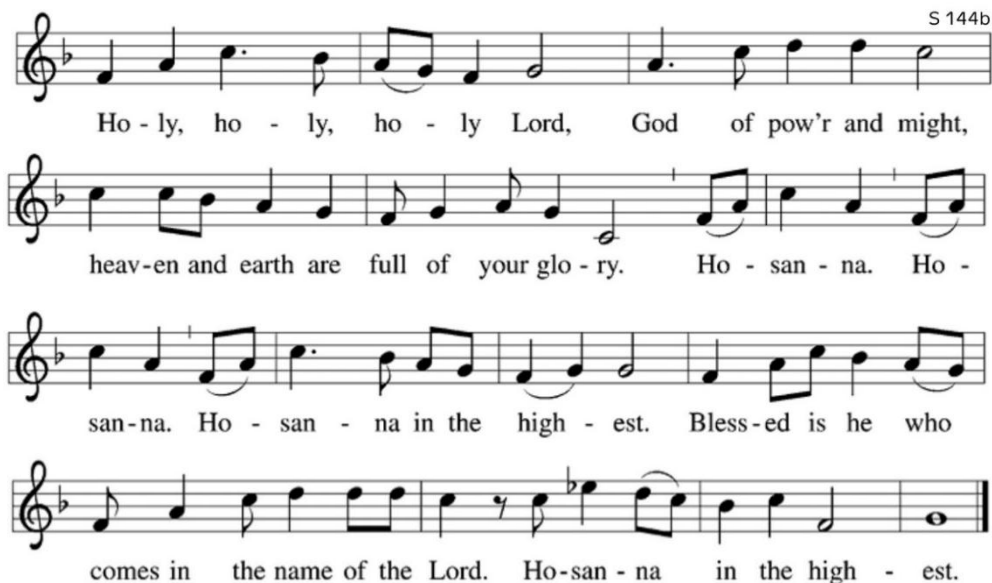
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The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.



P: It is indeed . . .



The Lord's Prayer

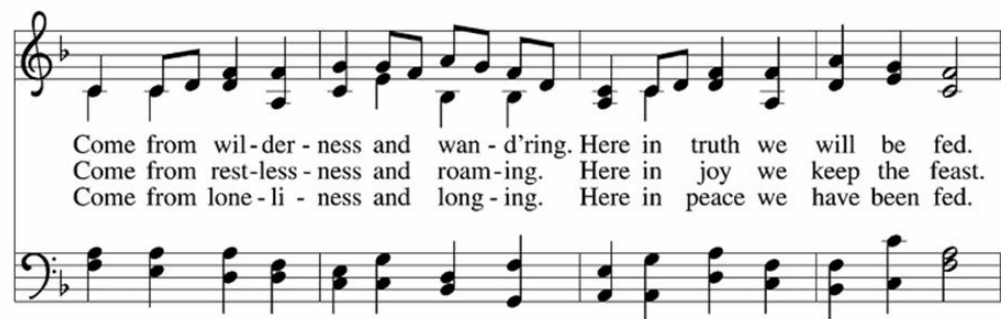
C: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the Kingdom and the Power and the Glory forever and forever. Amen.

Distribution Hymns

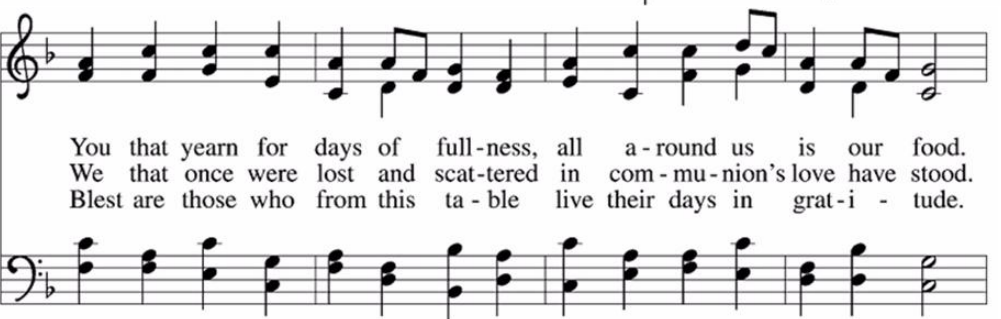
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1 All who hun-ger, gath-er glad-ly; ho-ly man-na is our bread.
 2 All who hun-ger, nev-er strang-ers; seek-er, be a wel-come guest.
 3 All who hun-ger, sing to - geth - er, Je - sus Christ is liv - ing bread.



Come from wil-der - ness and wan - d'ring. Here in truth we will be fed.
 Come from rest-less - ness and roam-ing. Here in joy we keep the feast.
 Come from lone - li - ness and long - ing. Here in peace we have been fed.



You that yearn for days of full-ness, all a-round us is our food.
 We that once were lost and scat-tered in com-mu-nion's love have stood.
 Blest are those who from this ta-ble live their days in grat-i - tude.



Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal. Taste and see that God is good.
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- 1 By your hand you feed your peo - ple, food of an - gels, heav-en's bread.
2 In this meal we taste your sweet-ness, bread for hun - ger, wine of peace.
3 Send us now with faith and cour - age to the hun - gry, lost, be - reaved.



For these gifts we did not la - bor, by your grace have we been fed:
Ho - ly word and ho - ly wis - dom sat - is - fy our deep - est needs.
In our liv - ing and our dy - ing, we be - come what we re - ceive:



Refrain



Christ's own bod - y, blessed and bro - ken, cup o'er - flow - ing, life out - poured,



giv - en as a liv - ing to - ken of your world re - deemed, re - stored.



1 Let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees;
 2 Let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees;
 3 Let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees;

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Refrain

When I fall on my knees, with my face to the ris - ing

sun, O Lord, have mer - cy on me.

Post Communion Blessing & Prayer
 Benediction

Recessional

Salvation!

Tune: 521

1. Salvation! There's no better word
For what Christ does for me:
He saves me from repented sins,
From evil sets me free.

O do not let me wander, Lord,
From my appointed part
But as your own disciple, grow
Mature in mind and heart!

2. Salvation! There's no better word
For what Christ offers us:
A love that died most selflessly,
Obedient to the cross.

As servants of your Kingdom, Lord,
O never let us rest
Until your love and justice reach
The needy and oppressed!

3. Salvation! There's no better word
For all Christ came to do:
Send by the graciousness of God,
Fulfilling all that's true.
Come bring the catholic Church, O Lord,
Your wisdom, peace, and love;
To save our power-hungry world
With power from above!

Dismissal A: Go in peace, serve the Lord! C: Thanks be to God!



Sunday, August 30th

8:30 a.m. Worship
9:45 a.m. Last Outdoor Worship
11:00 a.m. Worship

Wednesday, September 2nd

9:00 a.m. Peacemakers Quilting Group

Sunday, September 6th

Name Tag Sunday

8:30 a.m. Worship
11:00 a.m. Worship

God's work. Our hands.



September 13, 2026

On 9/13, come to the fellowship at 9:45 a.m. to help assemble Personal Care Kits for Lutheran World Relief! See the weekly emails for information on donating to this ministry!

Bible Study Tuesday @ Grace

Begins 9/8

6:30 a.m.

In-person
Fast & Bible Study

11:00 a.m.

Online & In-person

3:00 p.m.

Online & In-Person

7:00 p.m.

Online



SUNDAY SCHOOL

BEGINS!

Sunday School Opening

Sunday 9/13 @ 9:45



To Learn More
To Sing To Pray Together



CONFIRMATION

7TH & 8TH GRADES

Weekly Classes Begin

Sunday Sept 13 @ 9:45 am or

Tuesday Sept 15 @ 4:30 pm

