



ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH
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Welcome to St. Paul Lutheran Church!

We are glad you're here and pray you experience God's presence in worship today. For those visiting, please fill out a *visitor card* located in the pews and place it in the offering plate or hand to a worship leader.

Blessings to you and we hope you join us again.

WELCOME

PRELUDE MUSIC

“Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring”

J. S. Bach

*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

We worship in the name in which we baptize, in the name of the Father, $\dagger$ the Son and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

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. **Amen.**

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

(Pause for reflection)

Most merciful God,

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.

The Pastor declares the forgiveness of sin.

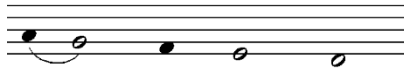
***GATHERING HYMN** #777 “Come to Me, All Pilgrims Thirsty” (verses 1 – 3)

***APOSTOLIC GREETING**

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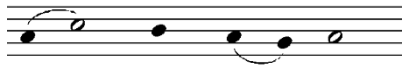
***KYRIE**

Assisting Minister or Cantor: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



All: Lord, have mer - cy.

Assisting Minister or Cantor: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



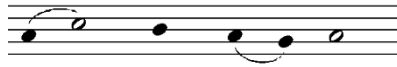
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Assisting Minister or Cantor: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



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



All: Lord, have mer - cy.

Assisting Minister or Cantor: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



All: A - men.

*CANTICLE OF PRAISE



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



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.



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.



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.

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

O Lord God, you watch over your people and you are always ready to hear our cries. Teach us to rely day and night on your care. Inspire us to seek your justice for this suffering world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

READING

Genesis 32:22-31

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The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalms 121

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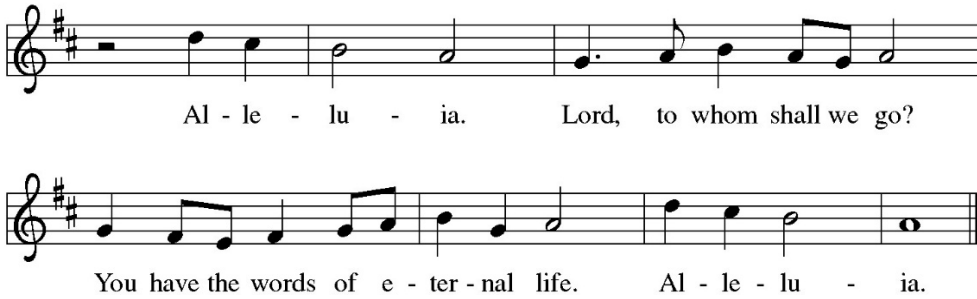
⁵ The Lord is your keeper; the Lord is your shade at your right hand.

⁶ **The sun shall not strike you by day nor the moon by night.**

⁷ The Lord will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life.

⁸ **The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this time on and forevermore.**

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Jesus tells a parable of an unjust judge who is worn down by a widow's pleas. Jesus is calling God's people to cry out for justice and deliverance. For if an unethical judge will ultimately grant the plea of a persistent widow, how much more will God respond to those who call.

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The holy gospel according to Luke. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

The gospel of our Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Deacon Emily Myallis

SERMON

Rev. Robert J. Myallis

***HYMN OF THE DAY #471 "Let Us Break Bread Together"**

*THE 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.

**The word "catholic" in the creed means universal or world-wide. If you have any questions, the pastoral staff are happy to discuss.*

*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Each portion of the prayers concludes with these or similar words:

... Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

*PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

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***OFFERING SONG**

“Take My Life and Let It Be”



Take my sil - ver - and my gold, not a mite would I with - hold.



Take my mo - ments and my days, let them flow in cease-less praise,



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***OFFERING PRAYER**

Lord of the harvest,

we return to you a portion of what you have given to us. Turn us to set our hope not on the uncertainty of riches, but on you, who richly provides for us. Multiply what we have gathered to bless all who are suffering and in need, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

***GREAT THANKSGIVING**

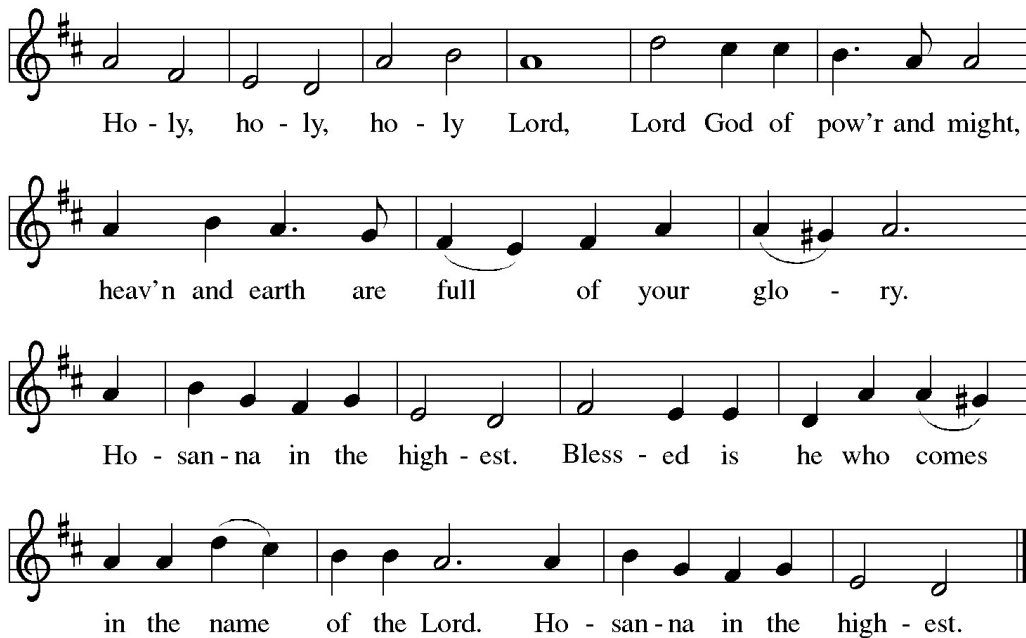
The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

... We praise your name and join their unending hymn:

***HOLY, HOLY, HOLY**



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

***WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

In the night in which he was betrayed... ..Do this in remembrance of me.

For as often as we do this, we proclaim the great mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

***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.

LAMB OF GOD



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sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

COMMUNION

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COMMUNION MUSIC

***BLESSING**

***SENDING HYMN #545 “Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing”**

1 Lord, dis - miss us with your bless-ing, fill our hearts with joy and peace;
2 Thanks we give and ad - o - ra - tion for your gos - pel's joy - ful sound.
3 Sav - ior, when your love shall call us from our strug - gling pil - grim way,

let us each, your love pos - sess-ing, tri - umph in re - deem-ing grace.
May the fruits of your sal - va - tion in our hearts and lives a - bound.
let no fear of death ap - pall us, glad your sum - mons to o - bey.

Oh, re - fresh us; oh, re - fresh us, trav - 'ling through this wil - der - ness.
Ev - er faith - ful, ev - er faith - ful to your truth may we be found.
May we ev - er, may we ev - er reign with you in end - less day.

The musical score is written for a two-part setting (Soprano and Bass) in the key of D major (two sharps). It consists of three systems of music. Each system has a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are printed below the vocal line. The first system contains three verses of the hymn. The second system contains the concluding lines of the hymn. The third system contains a final verse of the hymn. The music is in a simple, hymn-like style with a clear melody and accompaniment.

***SENDING** Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

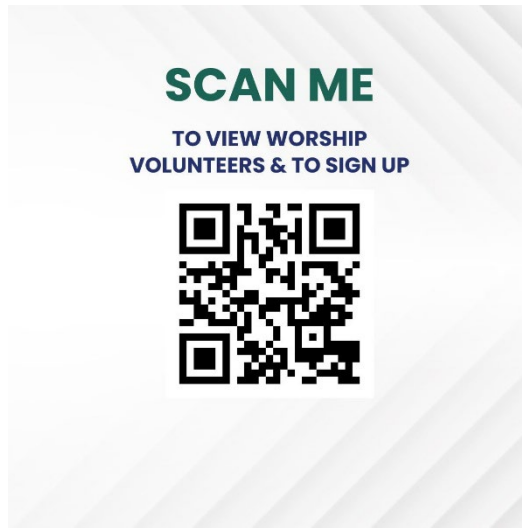
POSTLUDE

“Cortege”

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WELCOME

SPECIAL MUSIC

**"With Praises Ring"
Jubilate Bells**

Barbara B. Kenyon

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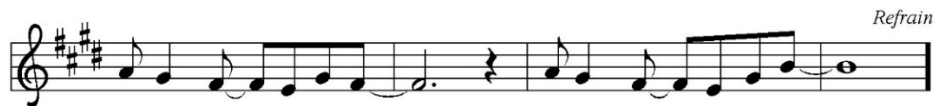
- 1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the
- 2 That we may live out your im-passioned re-sponse to the
- 3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . for
- 4 For your Spir-it to guide; that you cen-ter our lives in the



u-ni-ty of all; for
 hun-gry and the poor; that
 friends and fam-i-ly; for
 wa-ter and the word; that you



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 life and for love, for our work and our play,
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***OFFERING SONG**

#583“Take My Life and Let It Be”

Take my life, that I may be consecrated, Lord, to thee;
Take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my silver and my gold, not a mite would I withhold;
Take my intellect and use every power as thou shalt choose.

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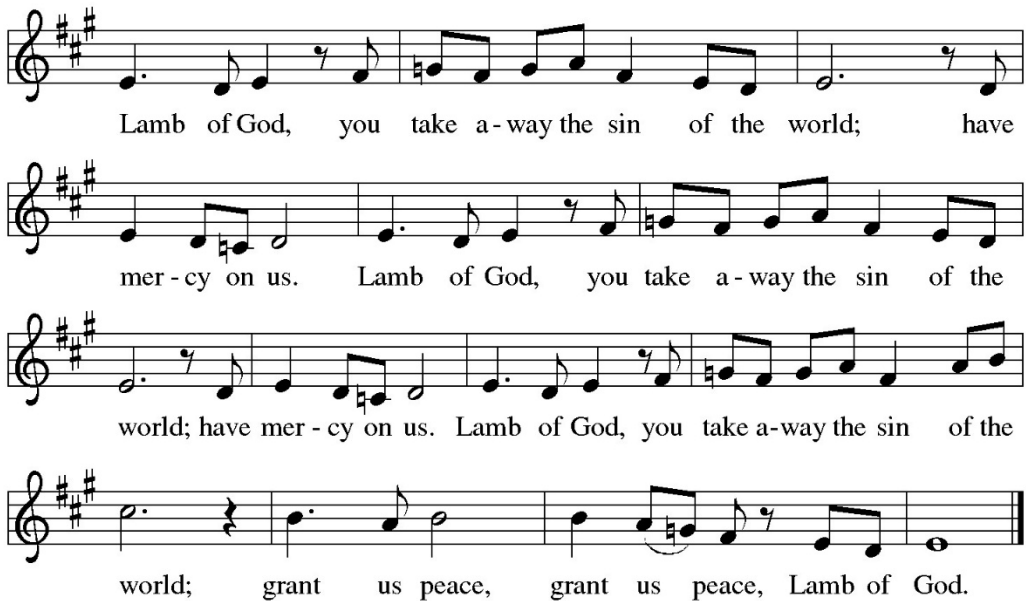
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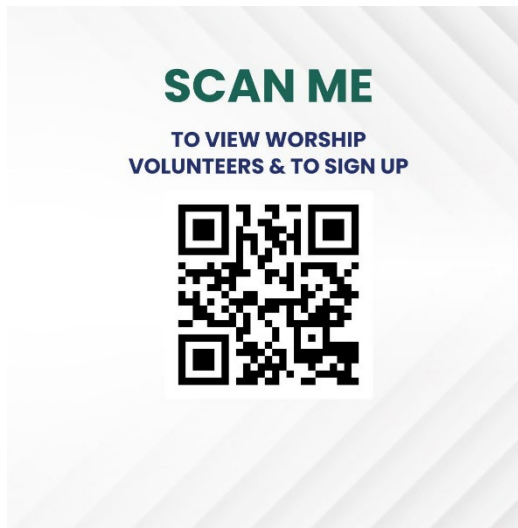
Oh, re - fresh us; oh, re - fresh us, trav - 'ling through this wil - der-ness.
 Ev - er faith-ful, ev - er faith-ful to your truth may we be found.
 May we ev - er, may we ev - er reign with you in end-less day.

***SENDING**

Go in peace. Share the good news. **Thanks be to God.**

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