Resurrection Lutheran Church

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Resurrection Lutheran Church is called by God, to reach beyond our walls and share the Good News, bringing Christ to the world through Prayer, Love, and Action.

Sunday, May 16, 2021—9:30 AM
Seventh Sunday of Easter
Holy Communion

All are welcome to commune and receive Christ in bread and wine. Please fill out a communion card and give it to the usher when coming forward for Communion.

INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY
The gospel for Easter's seventh Sunday is always taken from the long prayer Jesus prays for his followers in John's gospel on the night before his death, and always includes Jesus' desire that his followers will be one as he and the Father are one. This oneness is not mere doctrinal agreement or institutional unity, but mutual abiding, interpenetrating life, mutual love, and joy. This oneness is the work of the Spirit whom we have received but also await. Come, Holy Spirit!

WELCOME

CENTERING PRAYER

CENTERING MUSIC

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS
The assembly stands. All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.
C Amen.

P 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.

C Amen.

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

Time of silence and self-examination

P Gracious God,

C have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

P God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

C Amen.

PEACE

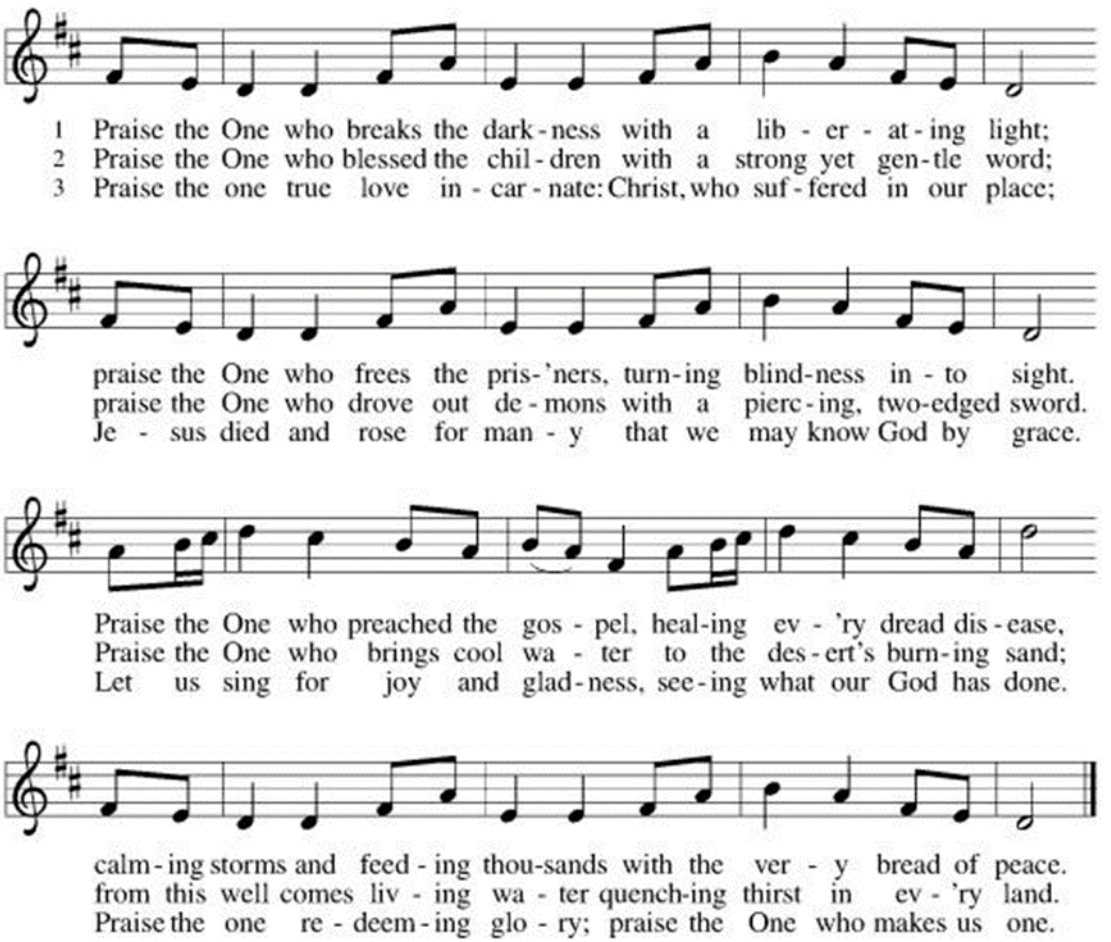
P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

SHARING OF PEACE

OPENING HYMN **ELW #843**

Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness



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.

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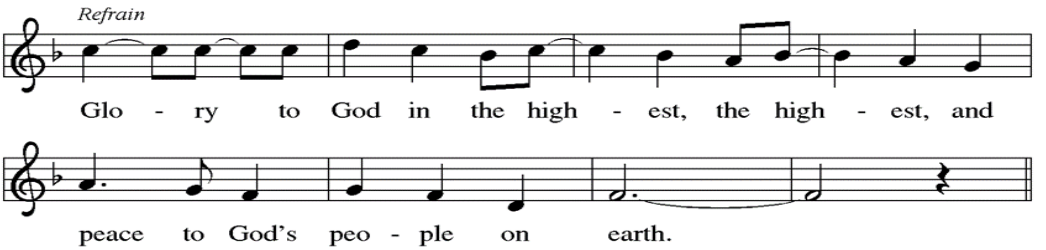


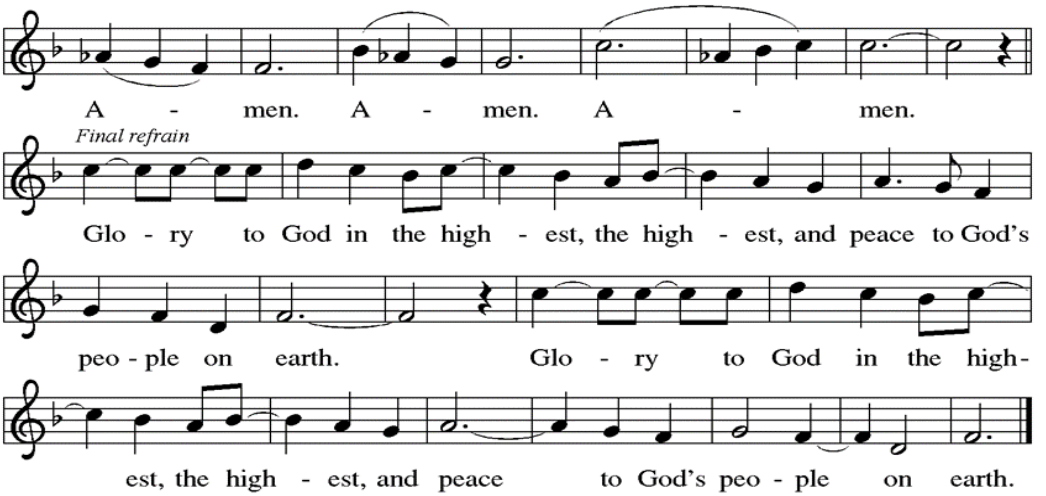
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.

Refrain

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

Refrain

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.



PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray

C Gracious and glorious God, you have chosen us as your own, and by the powerful name of Christ you protect us from evil. By your Spirit transform us and your beloved world, that we may find our joy in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Please be seated

FIRST READING: Acts 1:15-17, 21-26

In the days between Jesus' ascension and Pentecost, Peter oversees the process whereby one of the members of the community of believers is chosen to be the twelfth apostle, in order to fill the vacancy created by Judas's treachery and death.

15 In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about
one hundred twenty persons) and said, 16 "Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled,
which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide
for those who arrested Jesus— 17 for he was numbered among us and was allotted his
share in this ministry." 21 So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the
time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, 22 beginning from the baptism of
John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these must become a witness
with us to his resurrection." 23 So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was
also known as Justus, and Matthias. 24 Then they prayed and said, "Lord, you know
everyone's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen 25 to take the place
in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own
place." 26 And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to
the eleven apostles.

L The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 1 (read responsively)

1 Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel | of the wicked,
nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats | of the scornful!
2 **Their delight is in the law | of the LORD,**
and they meditate on God's teaching | day and night.
3 They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with
leaves that | do not wither;
everything they | do shall prosper.

[4]**It is not so | with the wicked;**
they are like chaff which the wind | blows away.
[5]Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when | judgment comes,
nor the sinner in the council | of the righteous.
[6]**For the LORD knows the way | of the righteous,**
but the way of the wicked shall | be destroyed.

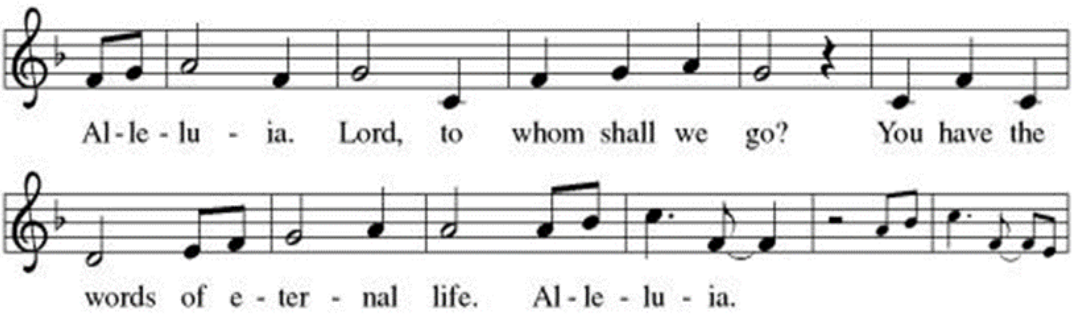
SECOND READING: 1 John 5:9-13
God has borne witness to the gift of eternal life in Jesus Christ. Whoever believes in the Son of God believes in the witness of God and has the promise of eternal life.

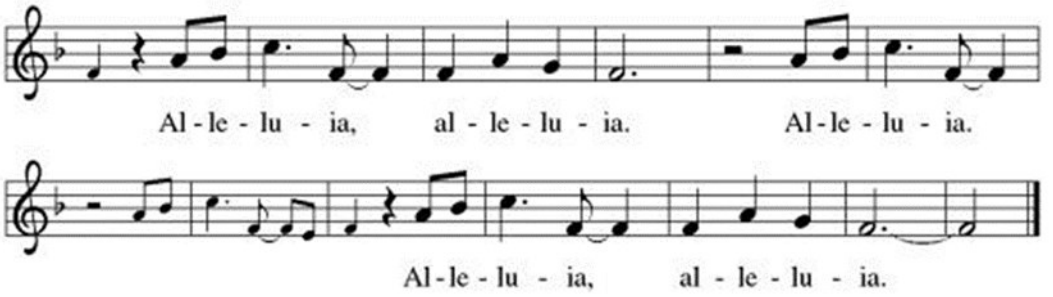
[9]If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. [10]Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son. [11]And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. [12]Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

[13]I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.

P The word of the Lord.
C Thanks be to God.

Stand as you are able
GOSPEL ACCLAMATION





GOSPEL: John 17:6-19
In this reading the church hears Jesus' words on the night before his death—his prayer for his disciples and for all who would believe in him through their words.

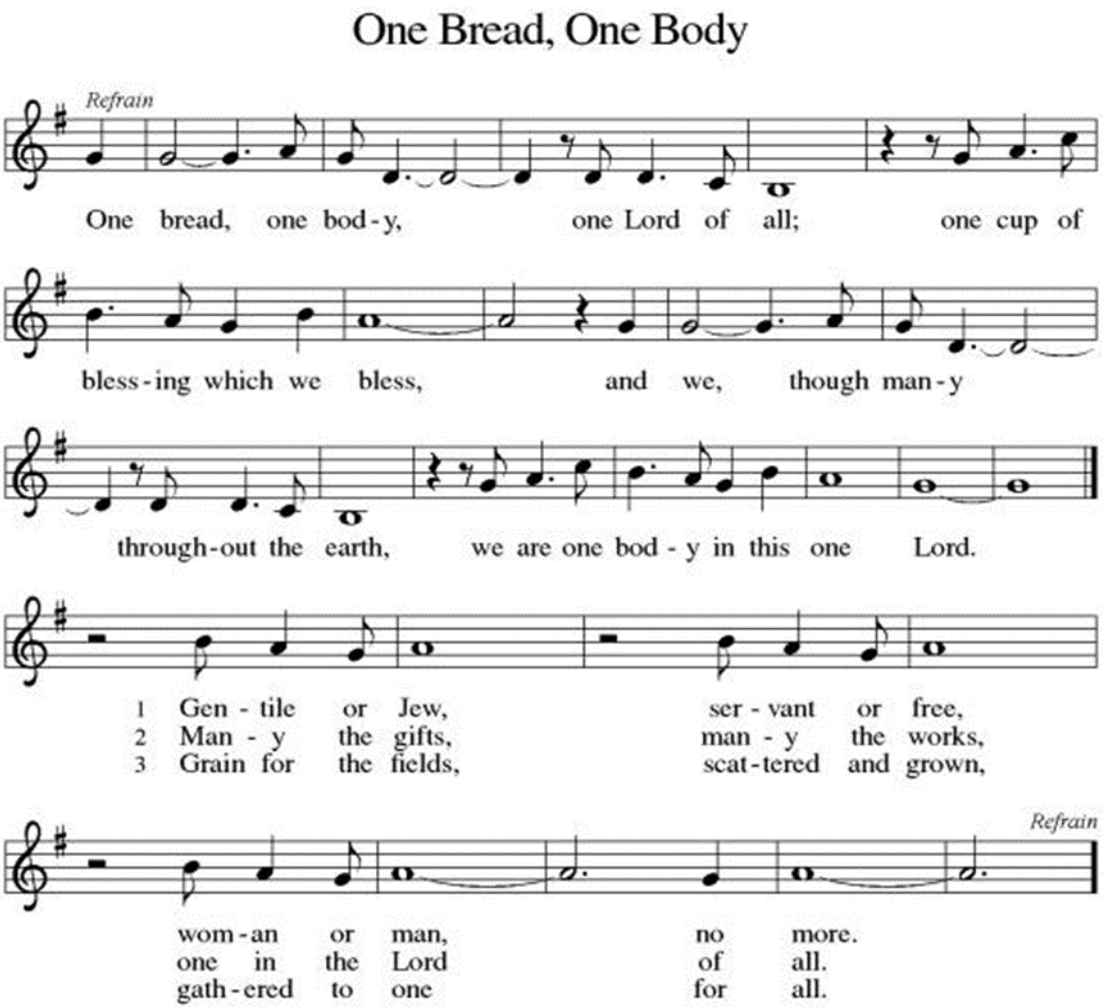
P The holy gospel according to John
C Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus prayed:] 6"I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. 7Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; 8for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. 9I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. 10All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. 11And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. 12While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. 13But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. 14I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. 15I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. 16They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. 17Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. 18As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. 19And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth."

P The gospel of the Lord.
C Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated
SERMON **Pastor Darryl Thompson Powell**

Stand as you are able
HYMN OF THE DAY **ELW #496**



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 OF INTERCESSION—Alive in the risen Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit, we bring our prayers before God who promises to hear us and answer in steadfast love.

A brief silence. Each petition ends:

P Hear us, O God.
C Your mercy is great.

P In the hope of new life in Christ, we raise our prayers to you, trusting in your never-ending goodness and mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
C Amen.

Please be seated
OFFERING

Stand as you are able
OFFERTORY SONG "We Are an Offering" ELW #692

We lift our voices, we lift our hands,
we lift our lives up to you:
we are an offering.

Lord use our voices, Lord use our hands,
Lord use our lives, they are yours:
we are an offering.

All that we have, all that we are,
all that we hope to be,
we give to you, we give to you.

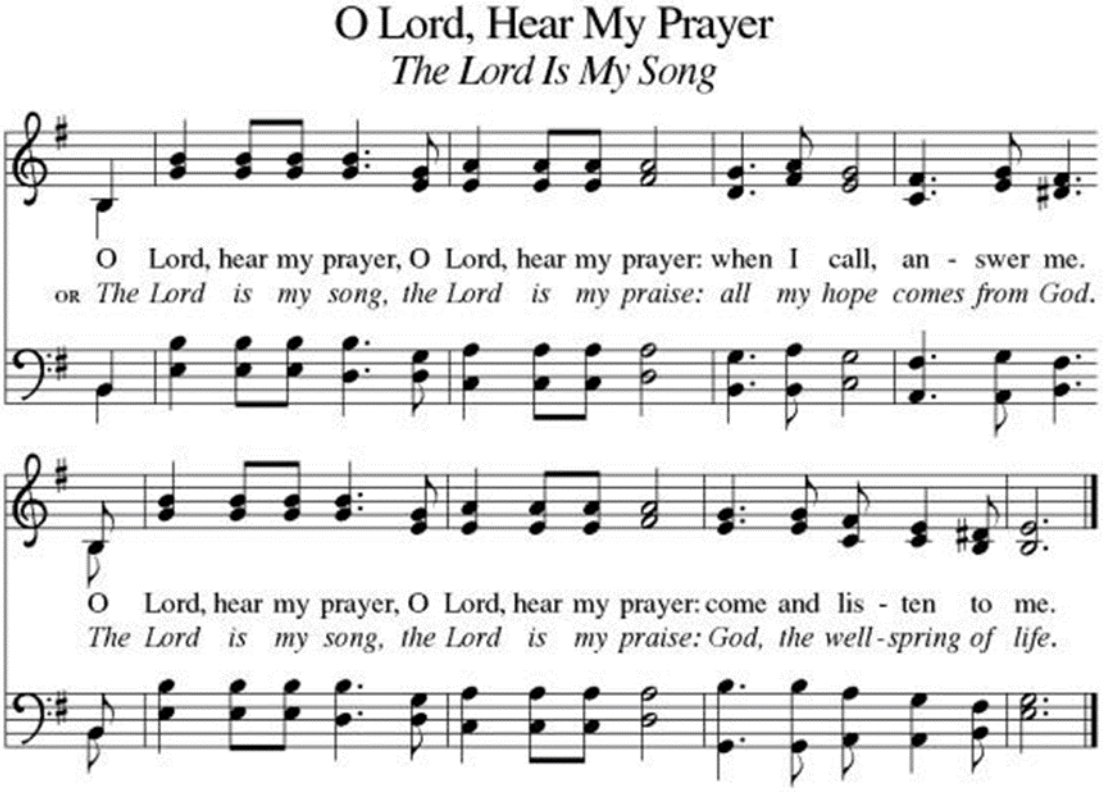
We lift our voices, we lift our hands,
we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering,
we are an offering.

OFFERING PRAYER

P Let us pray.

C Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

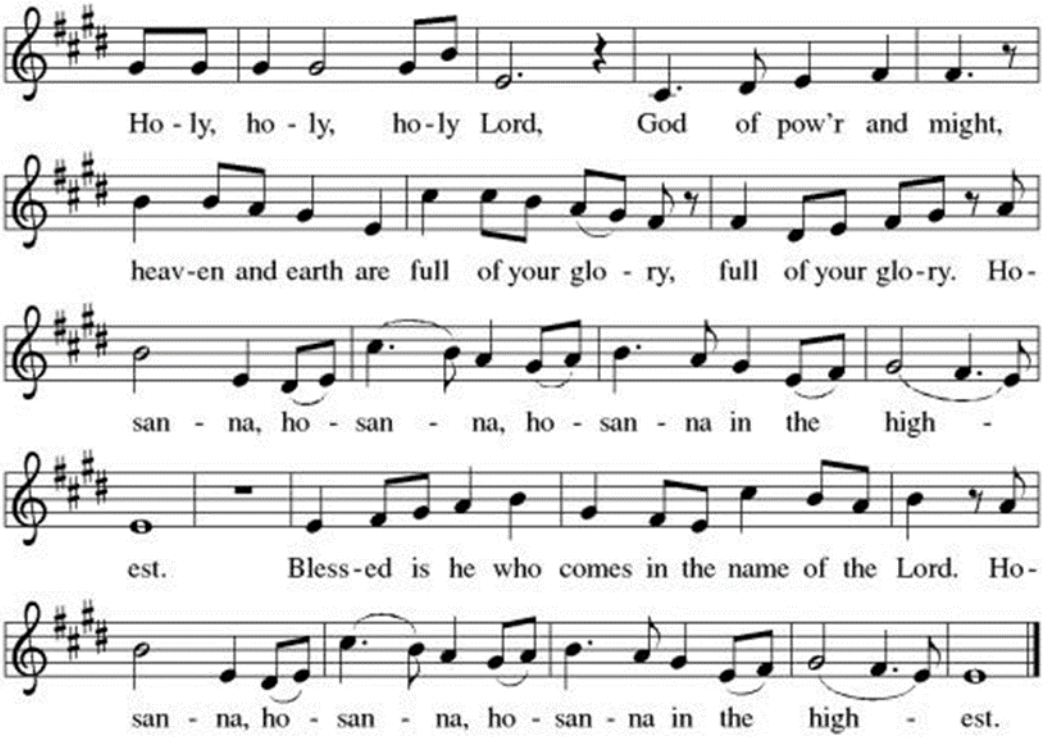
SENDING SONG **ELW #751**



Please be seated
ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION - *all are invited *gluten free wafers are available.*

Please be seated
LAMB OF GOD

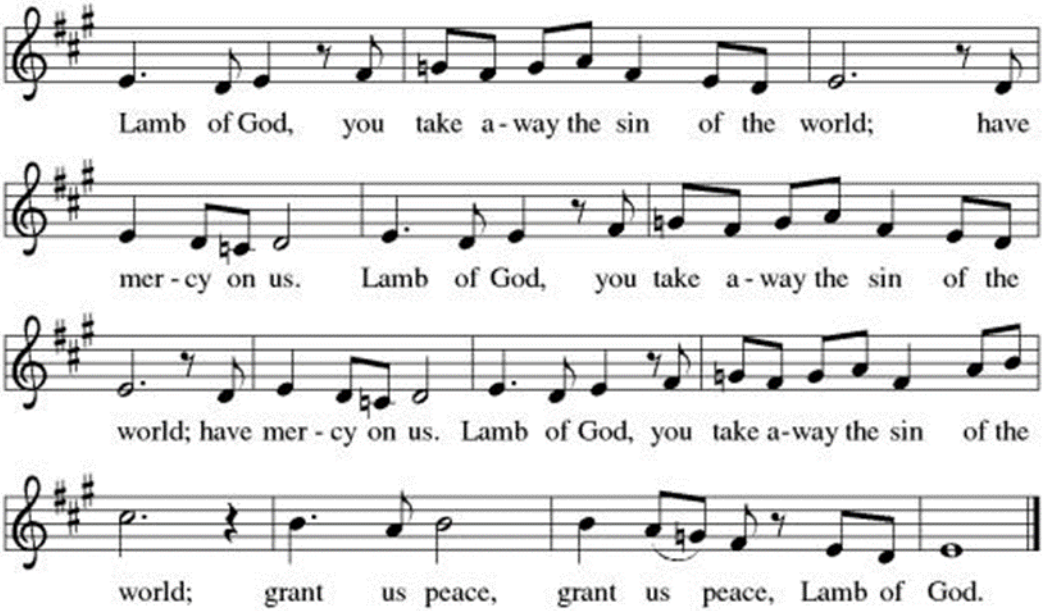


TABLE BLESSING

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P Let us pray.

C **Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of life to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to your Son's resurrection, that we may show your glory to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.**

BLESSING

P May the loving power of God,
which raised Jesus to new life,
strengthen you in hope,
enrich you with his love,
and fill you with joy in the faith.

C Amen.

SENDING MUSIC

DISMISSAL

P Go in peace and do something. Christ is with you.

C Thanks be to God.

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Pastor	Darryl Thompson Powell
Director of Music	Henrietta Atkin
Oboe	Wayne Ryerson

The flowers on the altar today are from Sue Koevenig in honor of all the dedicated food pantry and clothing closet volunteers.

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

9:30 am Worship, Holy Communion

THIS WEEK AT RESURRECTION

Monday, May 17

12:00 pm Food Pantry & Clothing Closet

Tuesday, May 18

Wednesday, May 19

1:00 pm Midweek Worship Service

2:00 pm Bible Study

Thursday, May 20

Friday, May 21

Pastor Darryl's Sabbath

Saturday, May 22

9:00 am Spring Cleaning

Sunday, May 23

9:30 am Worship, Holy Communion

11:00 am Virtual Coffee Hour

All donations are appreciated! The items that are currently in need are: **ketchup, and mustard.**

Spring cleaning, volunteers needed!
Saturday May 22, from 9:00 am till?
Come if you can, stay as long as you can.
Your help will be appreciated!

PRAY FOR MEMBERS: Dave N, Marvin K, and all of our homebound members.

FRIENDS AND FAMILY OF RLC MEMBERS: Terry, Stan and Darlene Majka, Elaine Evans, Beth Silenzi's friend Luke and his family, Sue Flanagan's son Robert, housekeeping staff at hospitals and nursing homes, Fred Shoemaker, Atour and her father Fuodor and brother Usher, Karen Shumaker's brother Curtis and cousin Joan, Elaine R, Lamone Carter, Eileen Gorski, Mary Ann and Gene, Jacob Corona-Strong, Russ Sprenger's daughter Kimberly Shubinski, Henrietta's daughter Sophia, Linda Bike, Lois Sullivan's father Don Scharlow, Christine Riep, and Janet Grace's son-in-law Scott Backus.

THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY: Josiah Gross, Edward Scharlow, Joseph Rachmaciej, Mike Brimie, Robert Dilks, and Mike Ignoffo.