Lutheran Church of Hope

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Drawn together by God, Celebrating Grace, Serving All

November 15, 2026
Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost



And let the
peace of Christ
rule in your hearts...
and
be thankful

Colossians 3:15

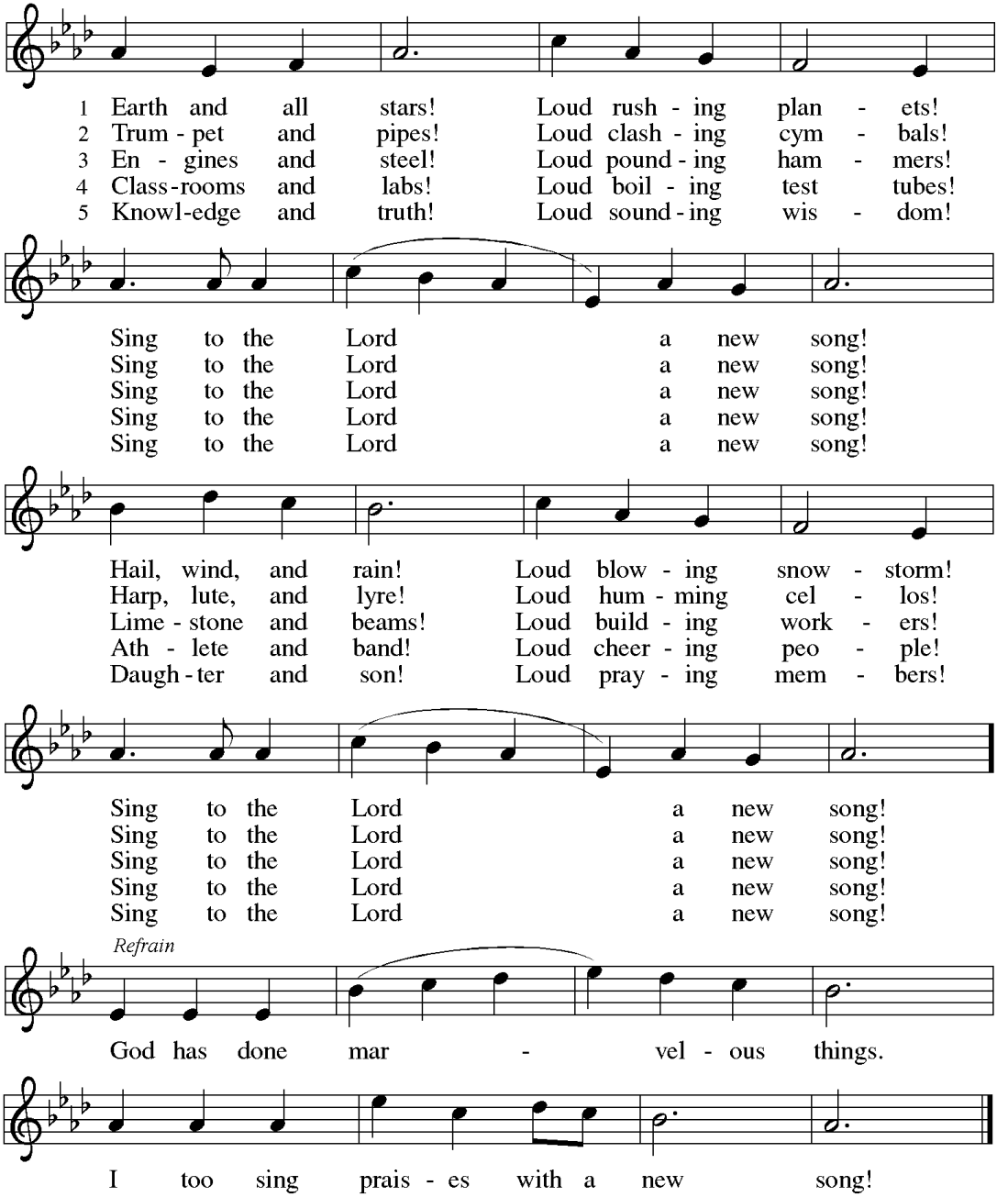
Welcome

Opening Prayer

Gracious God, Source of all Blessings,
You have been extravagant in your Generosity.
You have planted within us the seeds of Hope.
You have nurtured within us the saplings of Faith.
You have harvested the fruits of your Creation
and spread before us the feast of all Possibility.
Words cannot express the gratitude with which we come before you.

May we embody our thanks with extravagant generosity.
May we offer our lives to you in acts of compassion for one another.
May we walk gently upon the earth,
ever mindful of your gifts of Breath, of Love, of Life itself.
Amen

Earth and All Stars!



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

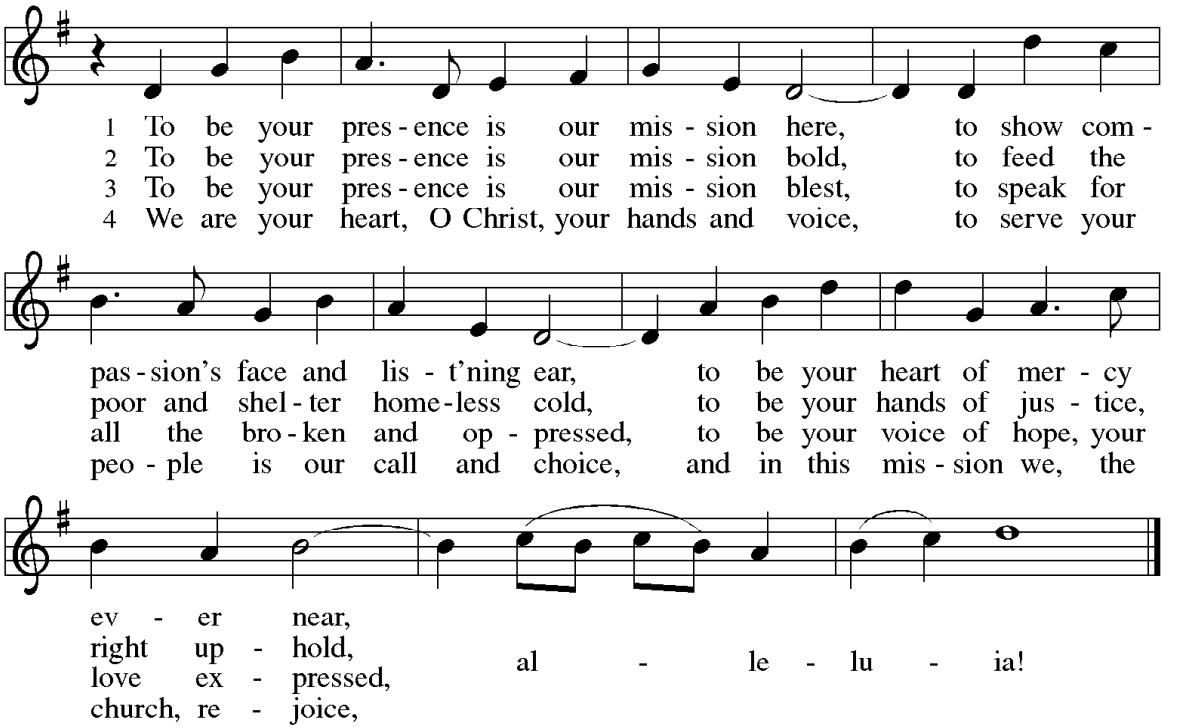
Children's Message

Worship report **Patty Bryant**

Garden report **Don Bladow**

Hymn **ELW 546**

To Be Your Presence



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Community Outreach Report **Carolyn Heyman**

Property Report **Todd Bryant**

Reading — Colossians 3:12-17

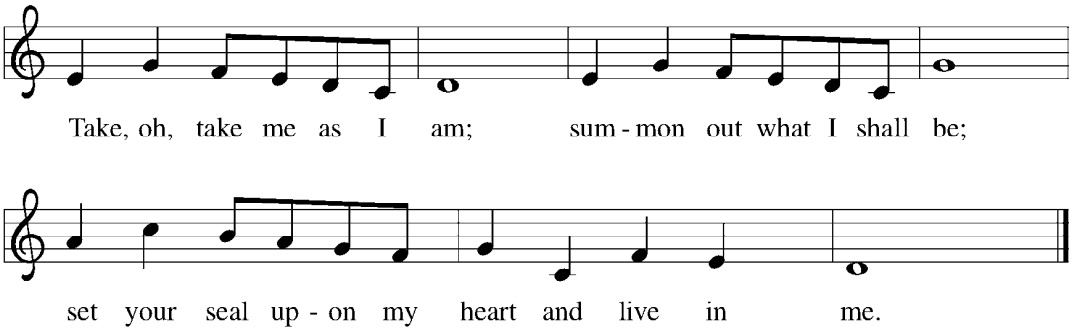
12 Therefore, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with
compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. 13 Bear with one
another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other;
just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. 14 Above all, clothe
yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony.
15 And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were
called in one body. And be thankful. 16 Let the word of Christ dwell in you
richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in
your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. 17 And whatever
you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving
thanks to God the Father through him.

Word of God, Word of Life.
Thanks be to God.

Pastor's Report/Message **Pastor Liz Lowry**

Prayer Song **ELW 814**

Take, Oh, Take Me As I Am
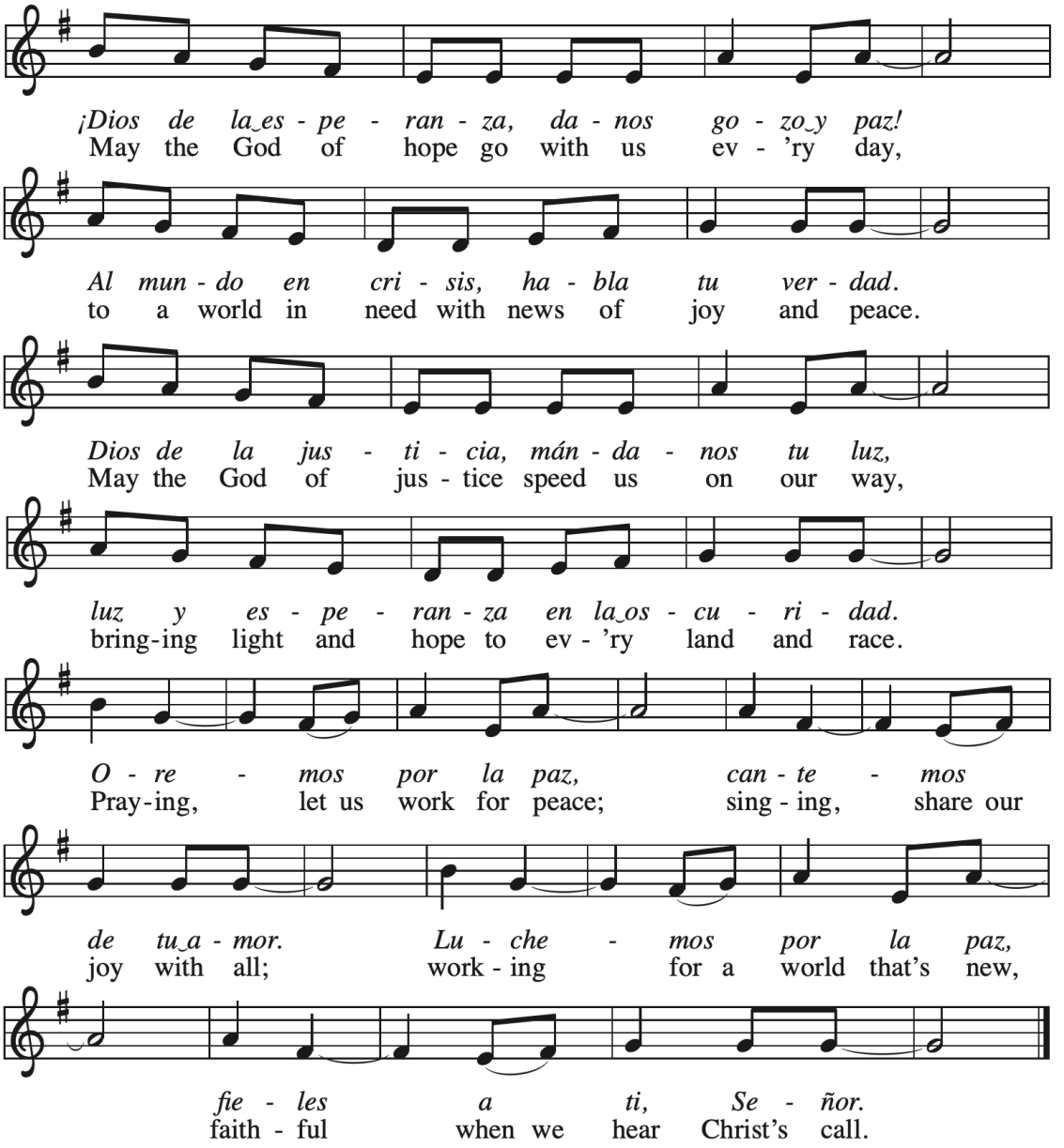


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Prayers of the People

Lord, in your mercy.
Hear our prayer.

May the God of Hope Go with Us

Dios de la esperanza



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Music: ARGENTINA, Argentine folk melody

Sharing of the Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always.
And also with you.

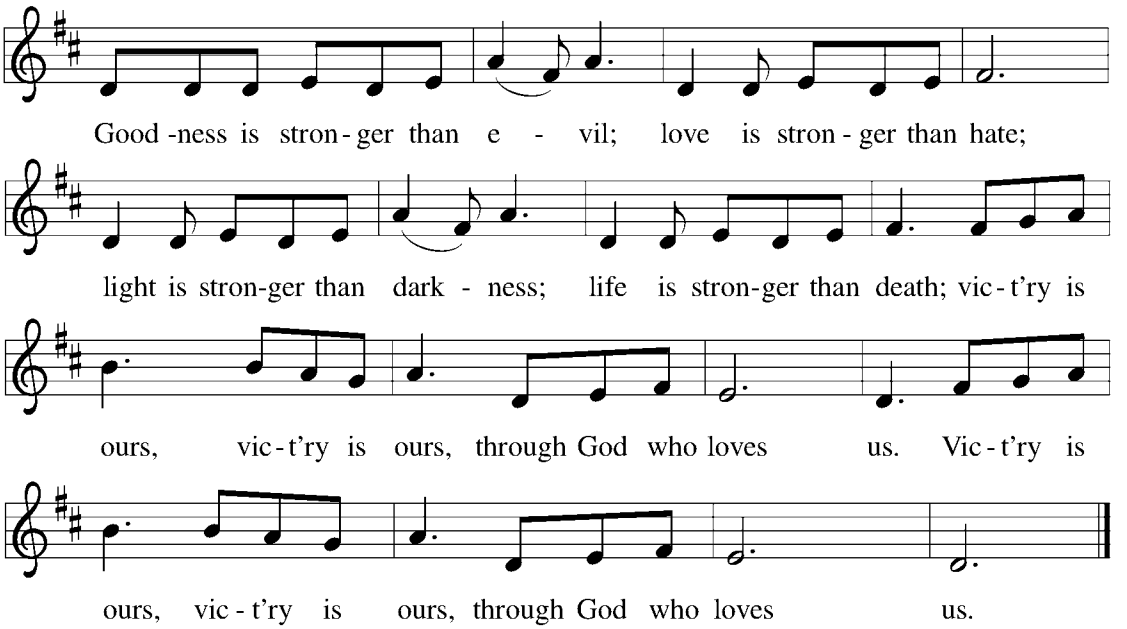
Offering

The offerings received by this congregation support this church and local ministries in Anchorage. Checks can be made out to "Lutheran Church of Hope." You may also use the iPad at the entrance to the sanctuary to make a secure donation via Square or scan the QR code in the insert to donate via Tithe.ly.

Offertory

ELW 721

Goodness Is Stronger than Evil



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Offering Prayer

Eternal God, our time, talents, and treasures are gifts from you.
Receive what we offer, and all that you entrust to us, until hungry no more, all the world is fed, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory.
In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son,
who reached out to heal the sick and suffering,
who preached good news to the poor,
and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

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 death, resurrection, and ascension,
we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord,
and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food,
the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord;
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be all honor and glory, now and forever.
Amen.

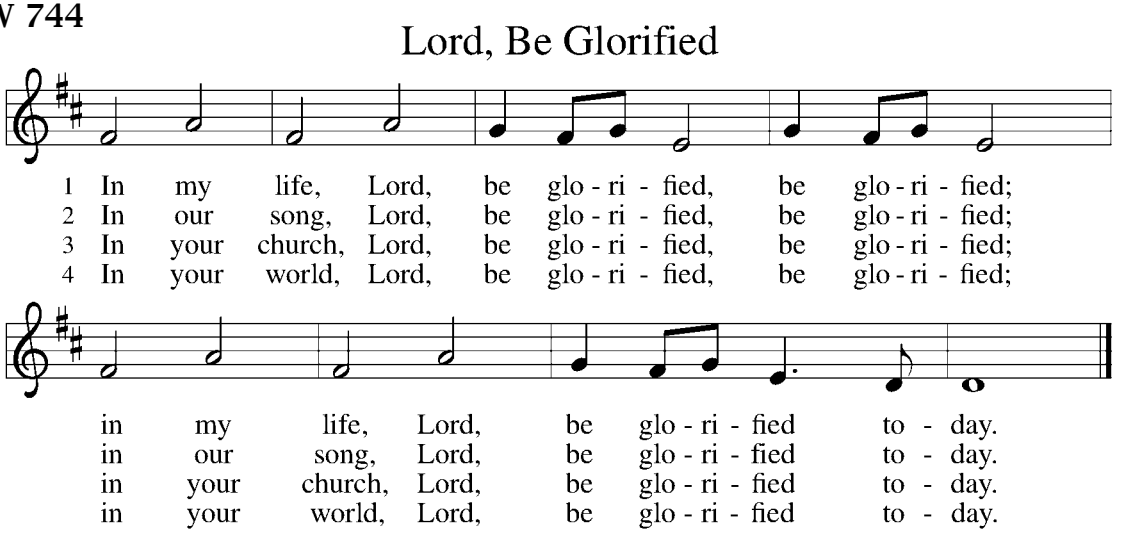
Lord's Prayer

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.

Invitation to Communion

Communion Hymns

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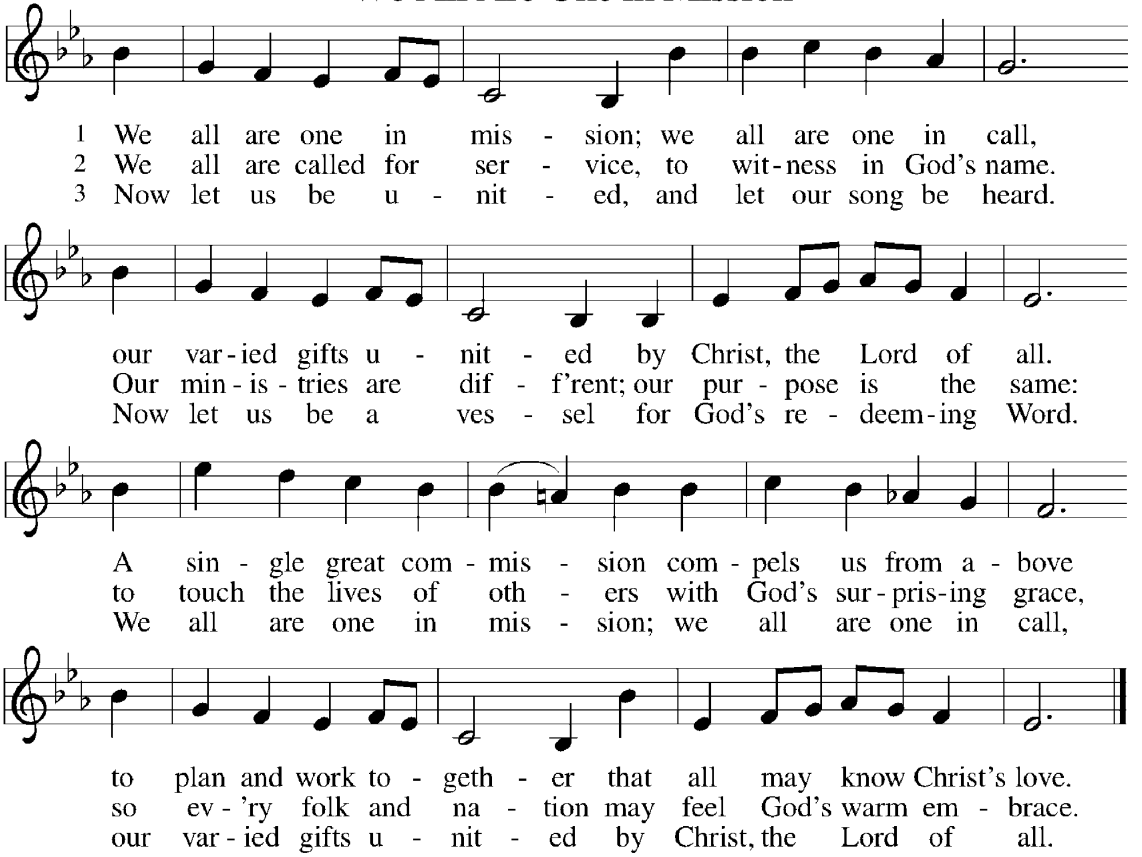


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ELW 576

We All Are One in Mission



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Post Communion Prayer

Holy God, we have received your never-ending mercy in this meal. You continuously seek the lost, bind the injured, and feed your people abundantly.
Now send us out, awake to your presence, now and forever. **Amen.**

Announcements

Apostle's 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.

Charge & Benediction
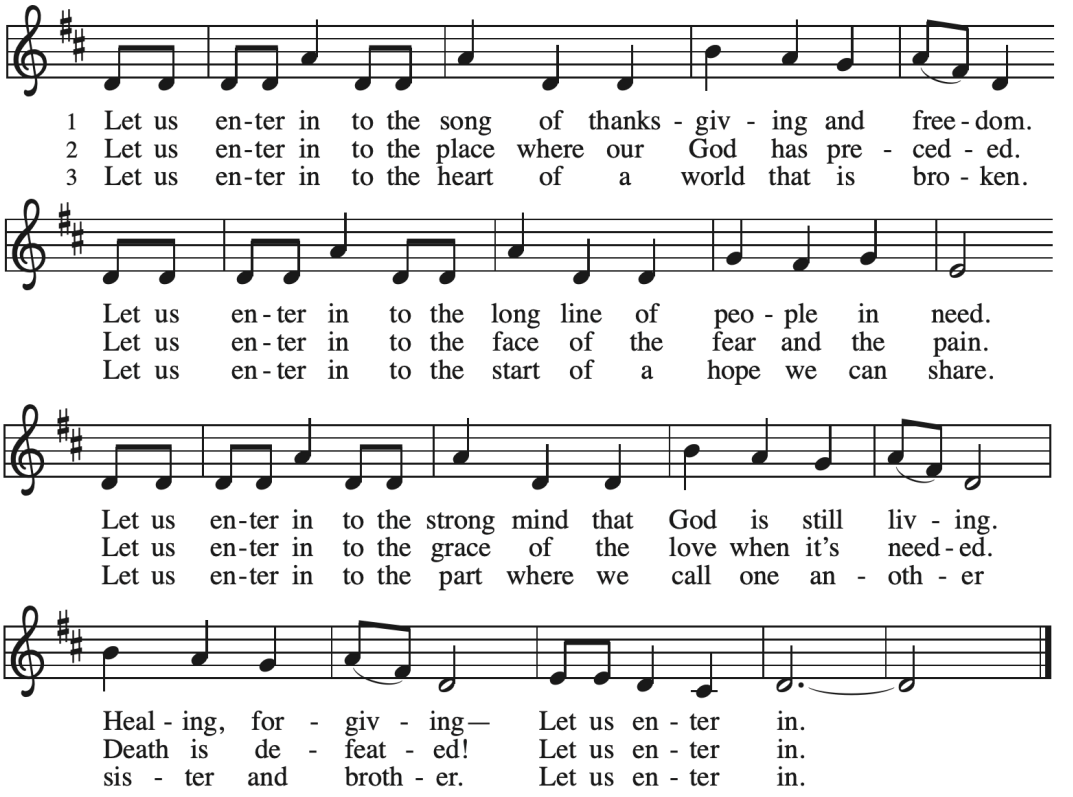
Go out into the world in peace.
Love the Lord your God
with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind;
And love your neighbor as yourself.

The holy Trinity,
Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you with wisdom to welcome the reign of God,
today and always.
Amen.

Sending Song

Let Us Enter In

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Go in peace. Encourage one another.
Thanks be to God.

You are invited to a potluck after worship and the continuation of our annual meeting.

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