In gratitude, Bethel Lutheran Church amplifies God's grace, nourishes all creation, reaches out, and builds community.

- We are a Reconciling in Christ Congregation.
- Why a Public Church? To impact and enhance the community so that everyone feels a sense of love and belonging.

GOD'S Grace

JUSTICE | JOY

PROMISE SUNDAY

NOVEMBER 15, 2026

Bethel Lutheran Church — In-person and Online
YouTube: @bethelmpls

PROMISE SUNDAY

November 15, 2026, 10:00AM

We welcome to the Lord's Table all people, without exception, who desire to receive the blessings of Christ's body and blood in this sacramental meal of bread and wine. If you are online, please prepare your own table with bread, wine, and/or a treat for anyone not receiving communion.

Boldface font indicates congregational response.
Worship leaders will indicate when to stand and sit, as you are able.

GATHERING
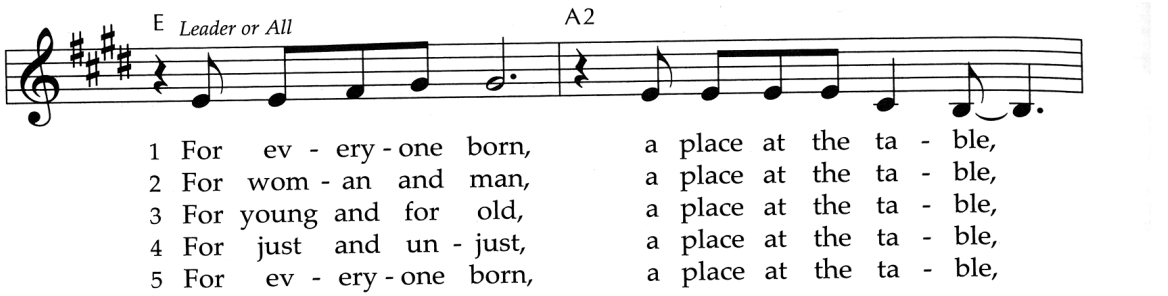
Gathering Music "Holy God, Holy and Glorious" by Anne Krentz Organ
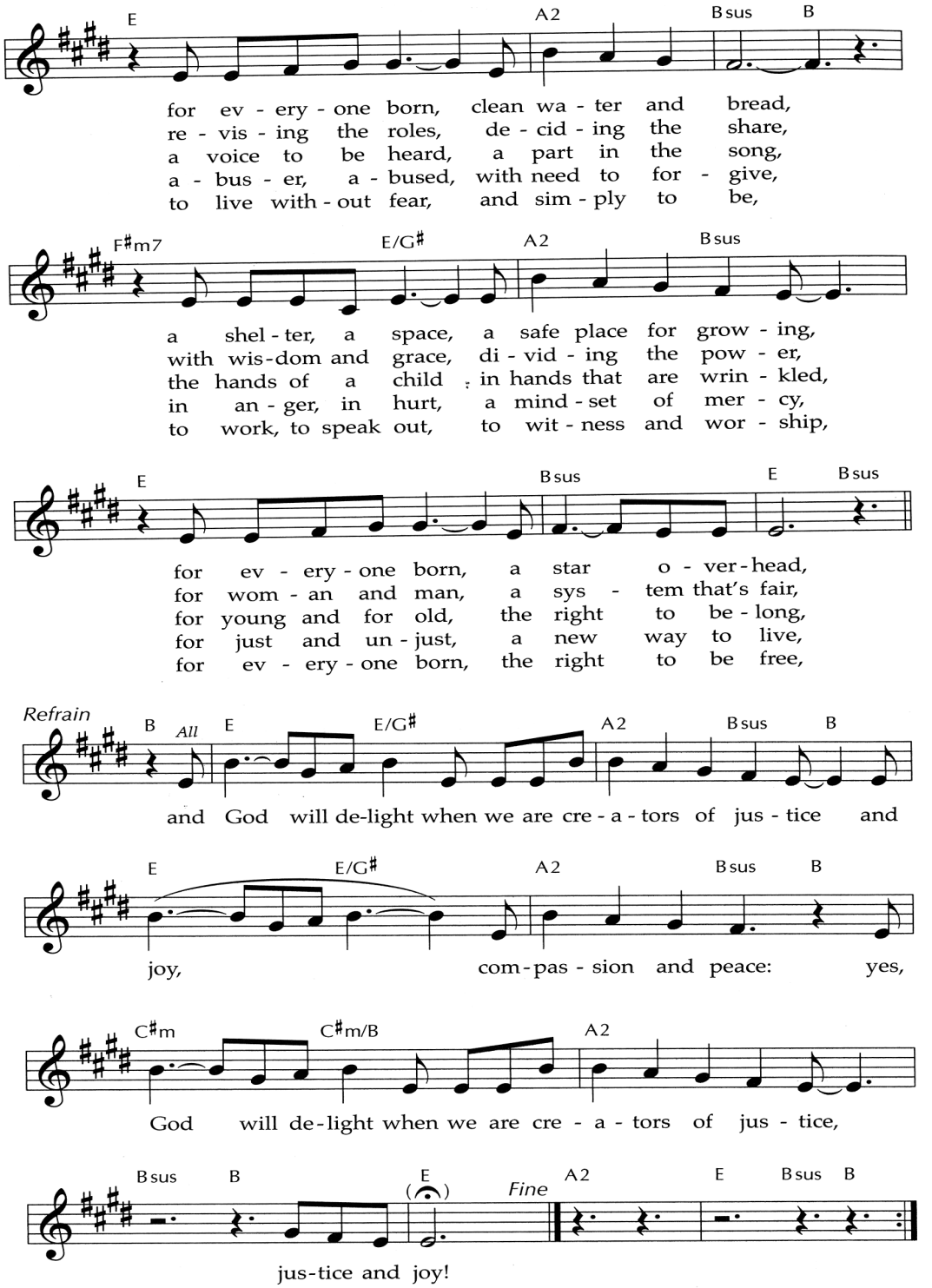
Welcome and Announcements

Responsive Reading

Sing out your joy to YHWH, you who love justice —
praise is fitting for a loyal heart.
For the word of YHWH is true and everything God does can be trusted.
YHWH loves justice and joy and fills the earth with love.

Opening Hymn GtG 769 "For Everyone Born"
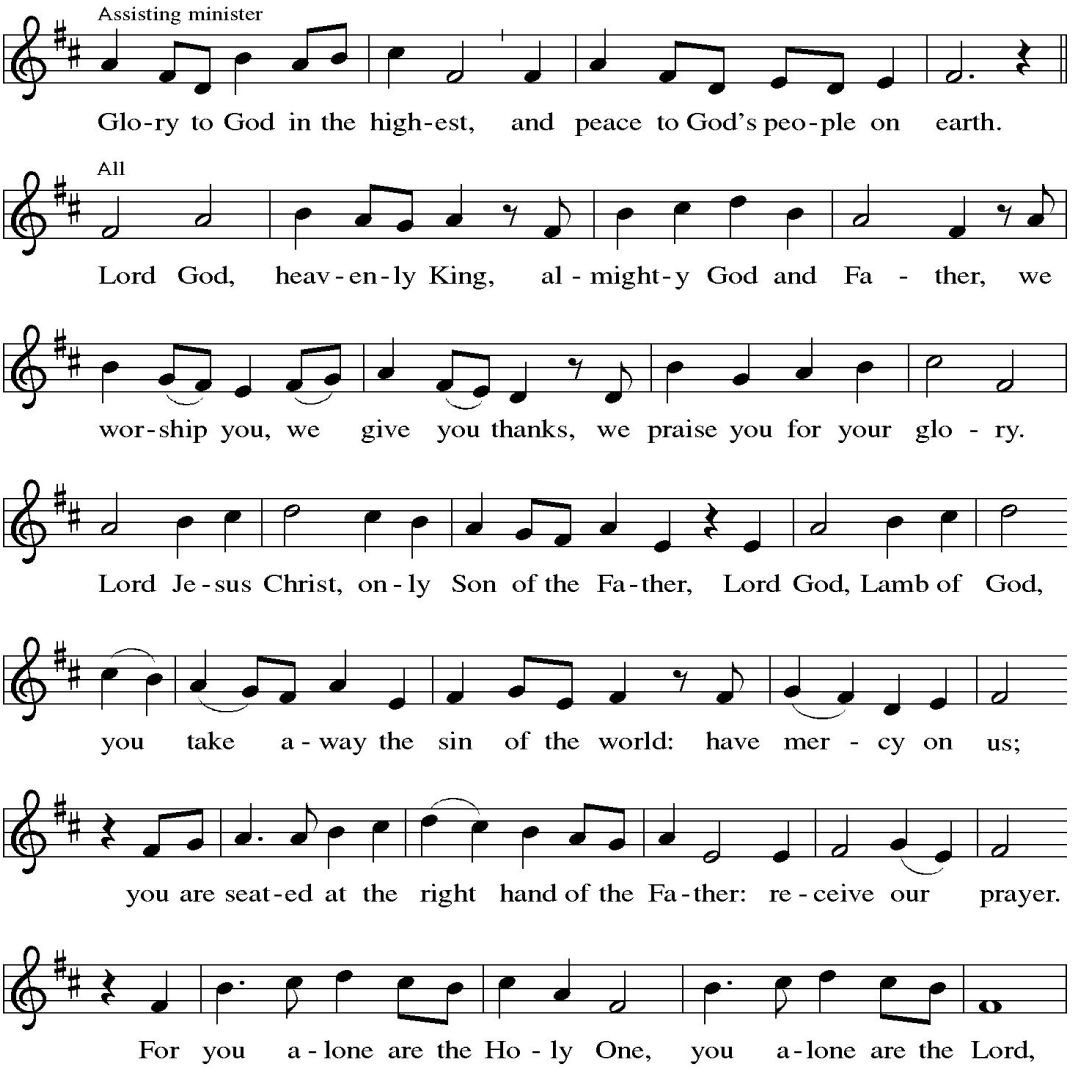


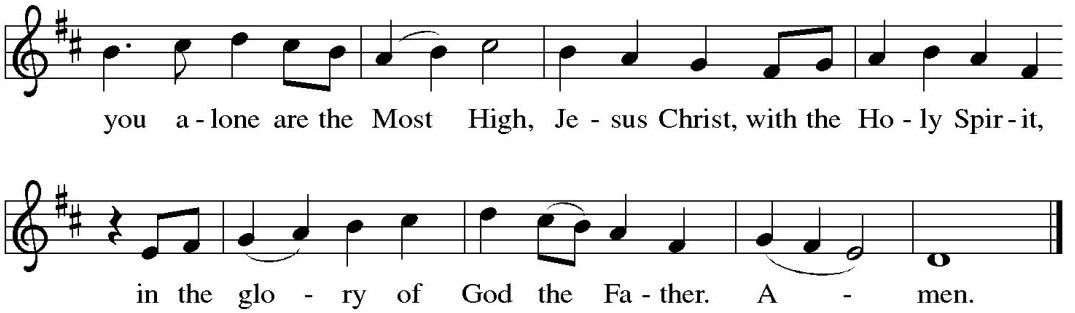

E A2 Bsus B
for ev - ery - one born, clean wa - ter and bread,
re - vis - ing the roles, de - cid - ing the share,
a voice to be heard, a part in the song,
a - bus - er, a - bused, with need to for - give,
to live with - out fear, and sim - ply to be,
F♯m7 E/G♯ A2 Bsus
a shel - ter, a space, a safe place for grow - ing,
with wis-dom and grace, di - vid - ing the pow - er,
the hands of a child in hands that are wrin - kled,
in an - ger, in hurt, a mind - set of mer - cy,
to work, to speak out, to wit - ness and wor - ship,
E Bsus E Bsus
for ev - ery - one born, a star o - ver-head,
for wom - an and man, a sys - tem that's fair,
for young and for old, the right to be - long,
for just and un - just, a new way to live,
for ev - ery - one born, the right to be free,
Refrain
B All E E/G♯ A2 Bsus B
and God will de-light when we are cre - a - tors of jus - tice and
E E/G♯ A2 Bsus B
joy, com-pas - sion and peace: yes,
C♯m C♯m/B A2
God will de-light when we are cre - a - tors of jus - tice,
Bsus B E A2 E Bsus B
Fine
jus-tice and joy!

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray. Loving God, **you own the earth and all its peoples, and you give us all that we have. Inspire us to serve you with justice and wisdom, and prepare us for the joy of the day of your coming, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

Glory to God ELW p.148

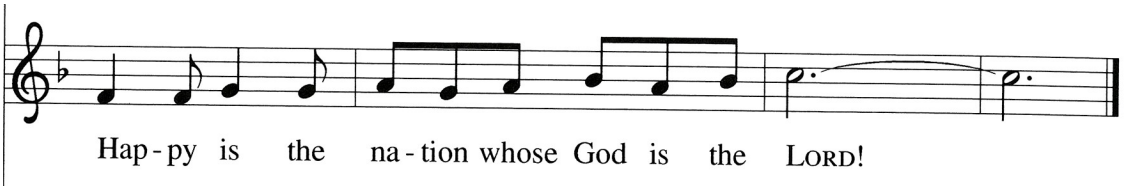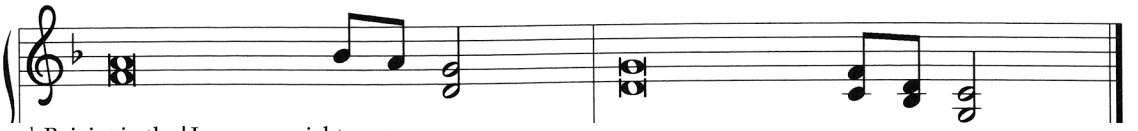




WORD

Lesson

Psalm 33:1-12



Psalm tone ELW 2

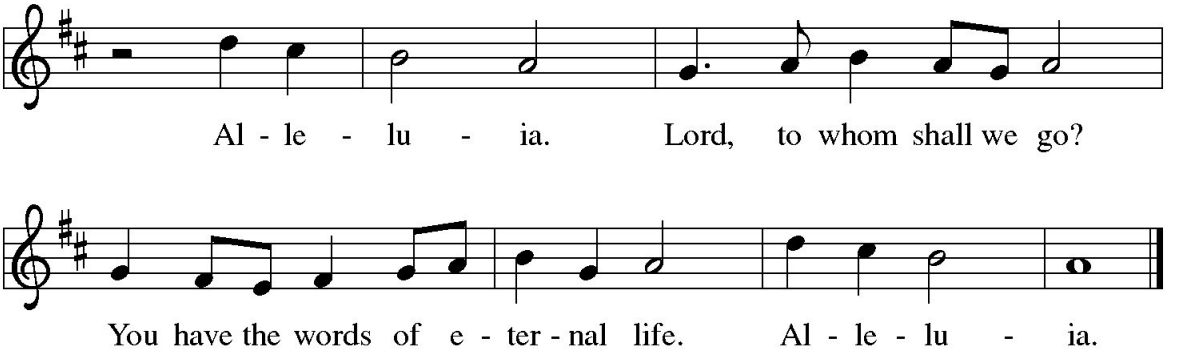


1 Rejoice in the | LORD, you righteous;
praise is fitting | for the upright.
2 **Praise the LORD | with the lyre;**
make music for God with a | ten-stringed harp.
3 Sing for the LORD | a new song;
play your instrument skillfully with | joyful sounds.
4 **For your word, O | LORD, is right,**
and faithful are | all your works. R
5 You love righteous- | ness and justice;
your steadfast love fills | the whole earth.
6 **By your word were the | heavens made,**
by the breath of your mouth all the | hosts of heaven.
7 You gather up the waters of the ocean as | in a water-skin
and store up the depths | of the sea.
8 **Let all the earth | fear the LORD;**
let all who dwell in the world | stand in awe. R
9 For God spoke, and it | came to pass;
God commanded, and | it stood fast.
10 **The LORD brings the will of the na- | tions to nothing**
and thwarts the designs | of the peoples.
11 Your will, O LORD, stands | fast forever,
and the designs of your heart from | age to age.
12 **Happy is the nation whose God | is the LORD!**
Happy the people chosen to | be God's heritage! R

Children's Message, then Sunday School

Children and the young at heart are invited to the front of the sanctuary.

Gospel Acclamation



Gospel John 16:19-24
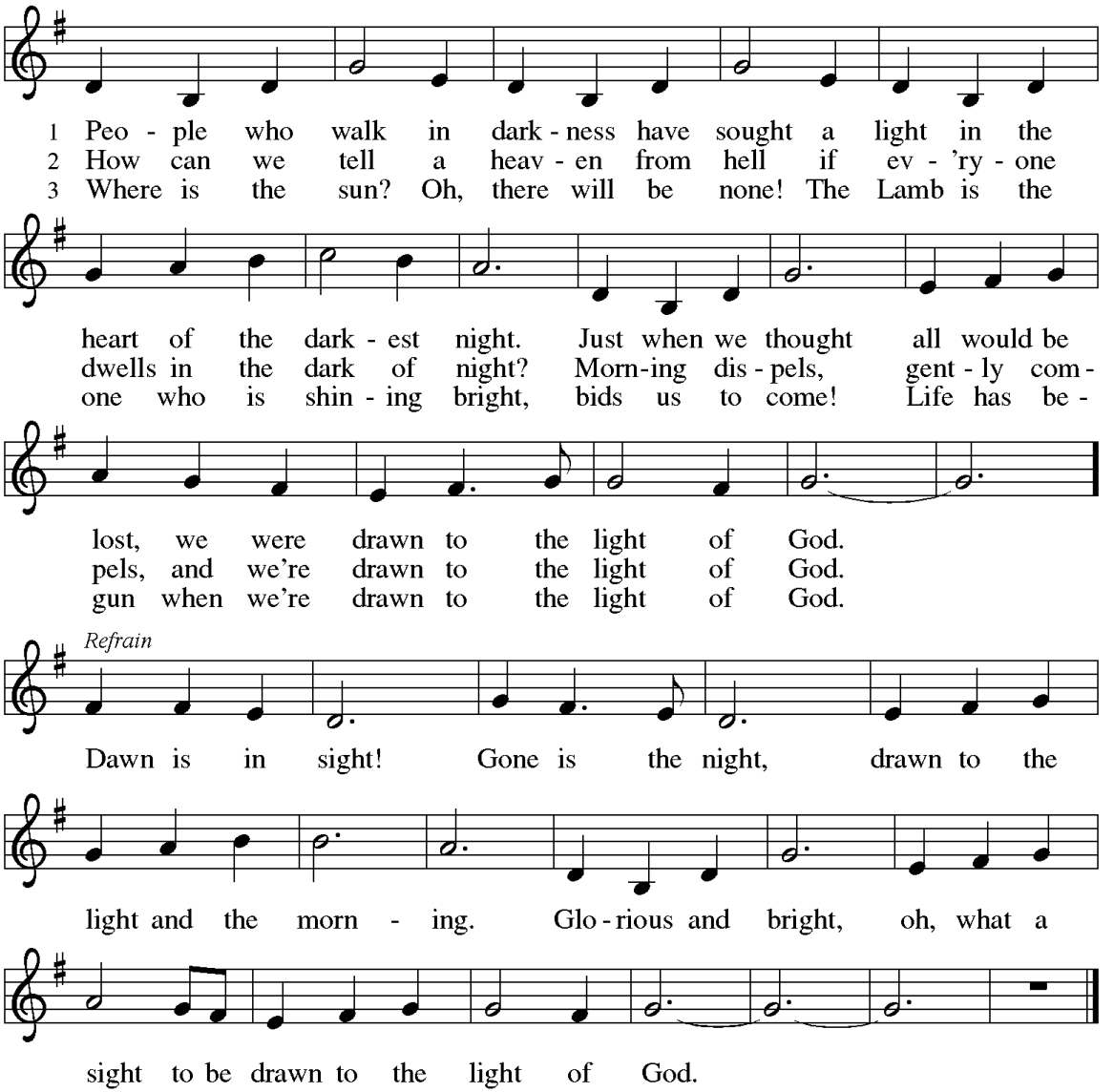
The Gospel according to John, the sixteenth chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus saw that they wanted to ask about this, so said to them, "Are you asking one another what I meant when I said, 'In a little while you will see me no more, and then after a little while you will see me'? Very truly I tell you, you will weep and mourn while the world rejoices. **You will grieve, but your grief will turn to joy**. A woman giving birth to a child has pain because her time has come; but when her baby is born she forgets the anguish because of her joy that a child is born into the world. So with you: **Now is your time of grief, but I will see you again and you will rejoice, and no one will take away your joy.** On that day you will no longer ask me anything. Very truly I tell you, my Father will give you whatever you ask in my name. Until now you have not asked for anything in my name. **Ask and you will receive, and your joy will be complete."**

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

Hymn of the Day ELW 593 "Drawn to the Light"



Text: John C. Ylvisaker, b. 1937
Music: LA CROSSE, John C. Ylvisaker
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Prayer Updates

Prayers of the People

Trusting in the power of Christ's resurrection to heal and redeem our broken world, let us pray for the needs of all creation.

A brief silence.

Each petition ends with a response:

Lord, receive our prayer, **and in your love, answer.**

God of resurrection power, use us and these prayers to proclaim the good news of new life to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Savior. **Amen.**

Peace

The peace of Jesus is with you always. **And also with you.**

Offering

For checks and cash offerings, please place them in the offering plate at the back of the sanctuary. For members, if you are making a cash donation, place it in an envelope with your name on it. For online giving through Square, scan the QR code. To pay with PayPal, please visit our website: Bethel-mpls.org.

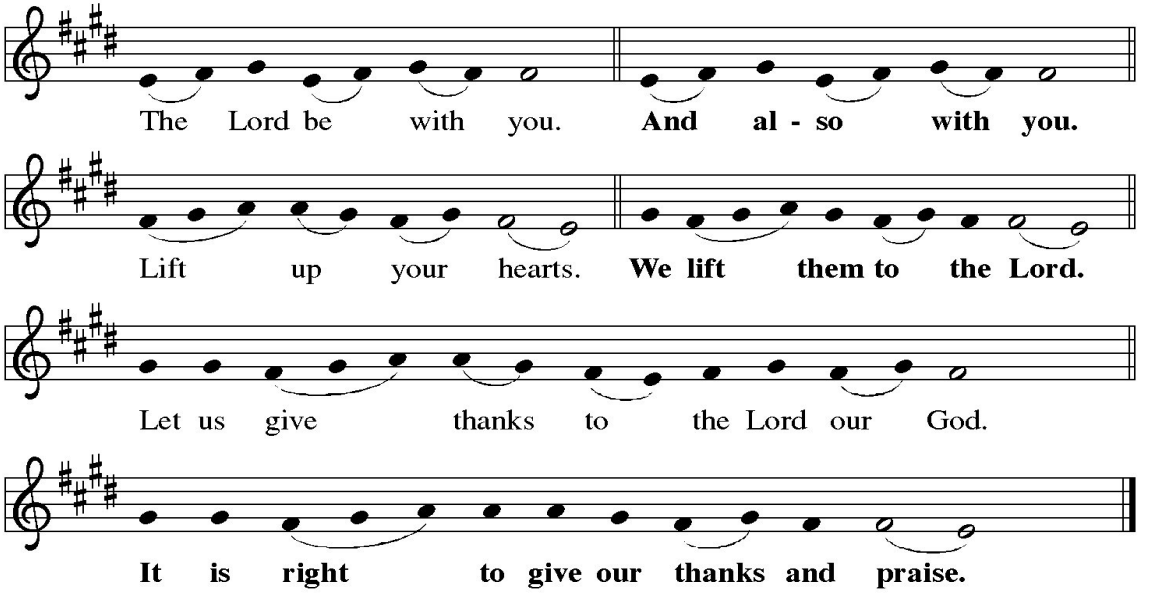
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Handbell Choir Anthem "Fairest Lord Jesus"

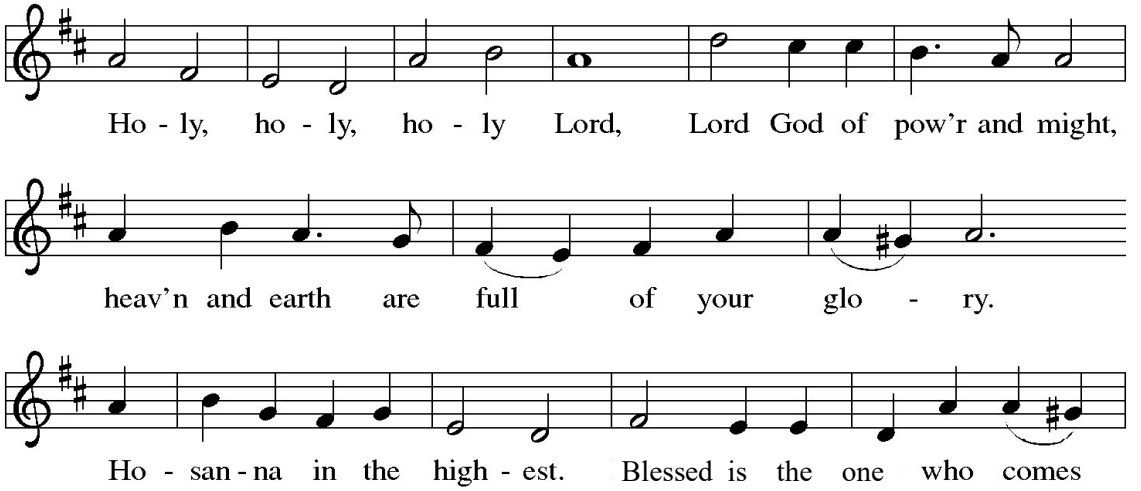
Offering Prayer

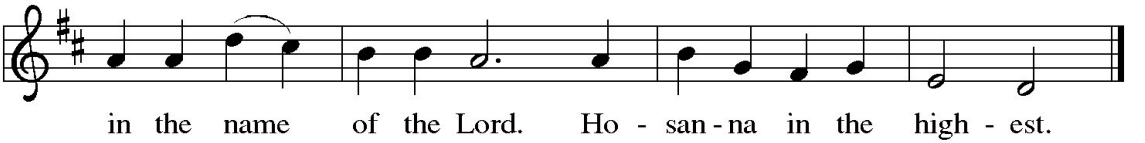
Let us pray. Creator God, **in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good and your creation provides us with an abundance of what we need. Let our gifts of all kinds and our labor contribute to the building of a beloved community that welcomes all people, that sees all people, and that works for justice for all people. Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving



Holy, Holy, Holy





Words of Institution

For as often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the mystery of faith, that **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

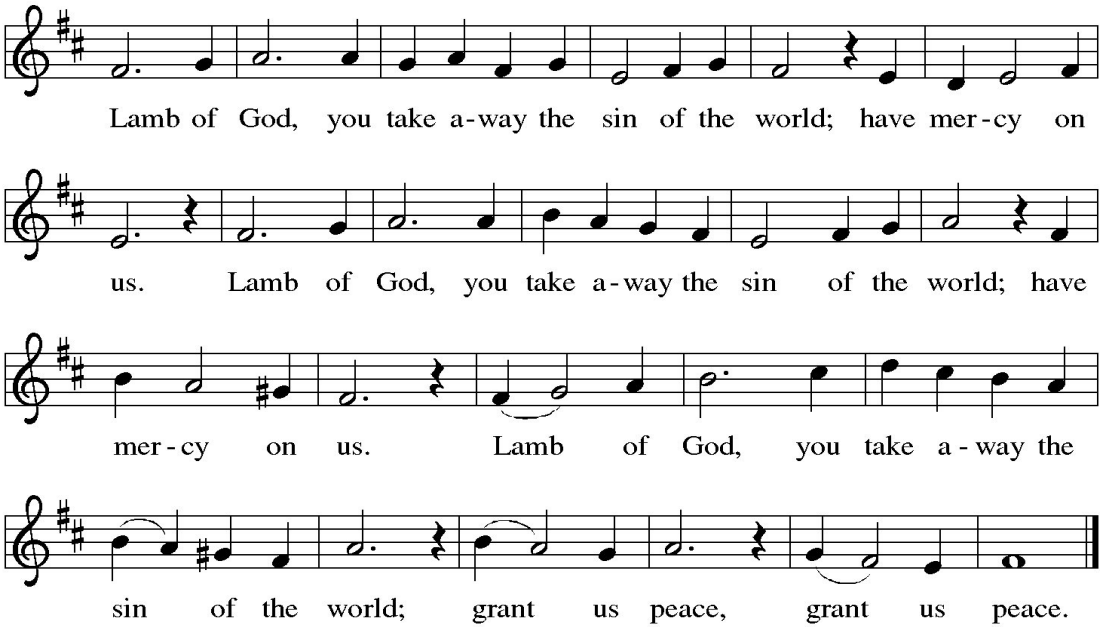
Lord's Prayer

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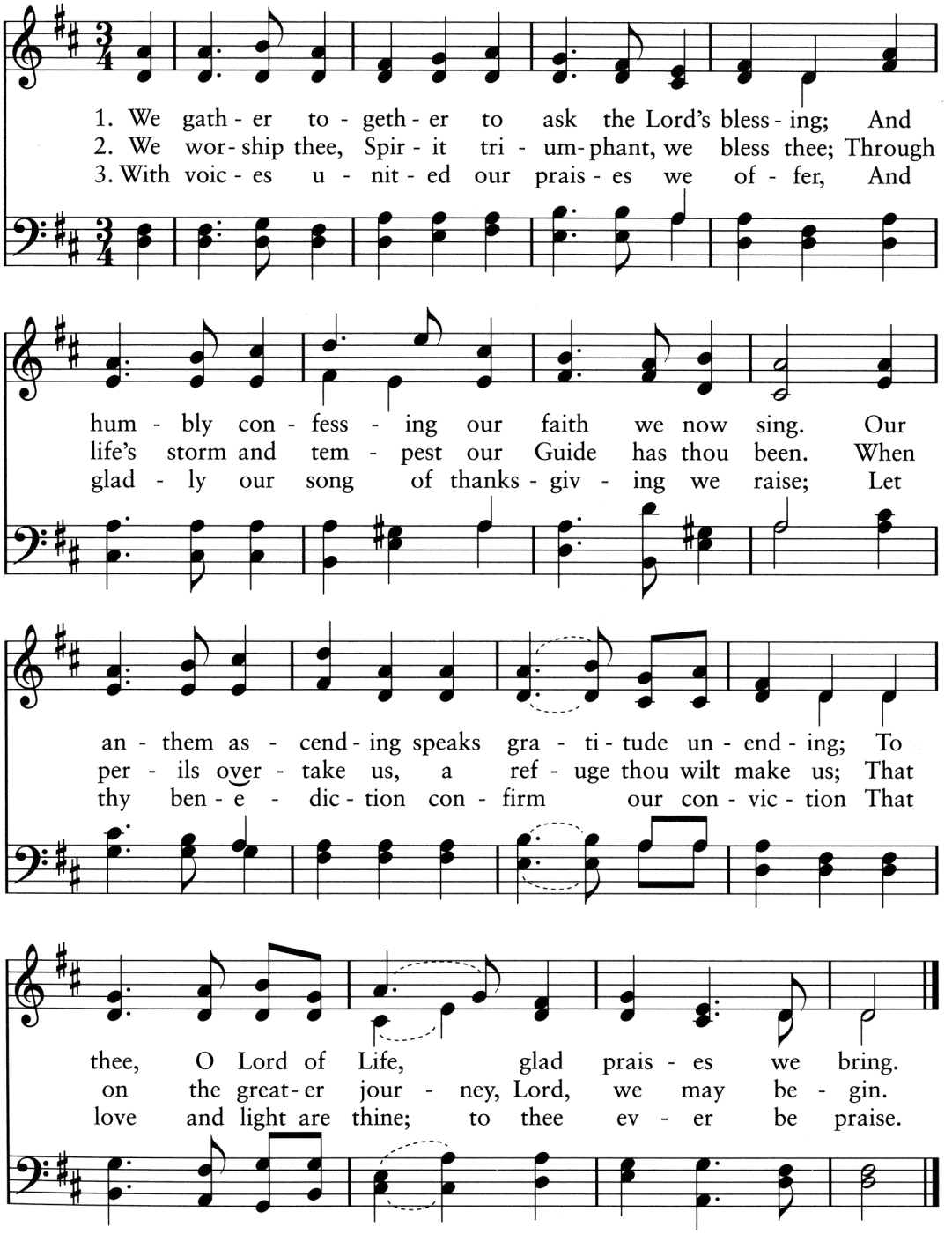
Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,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

Invitation to Communion

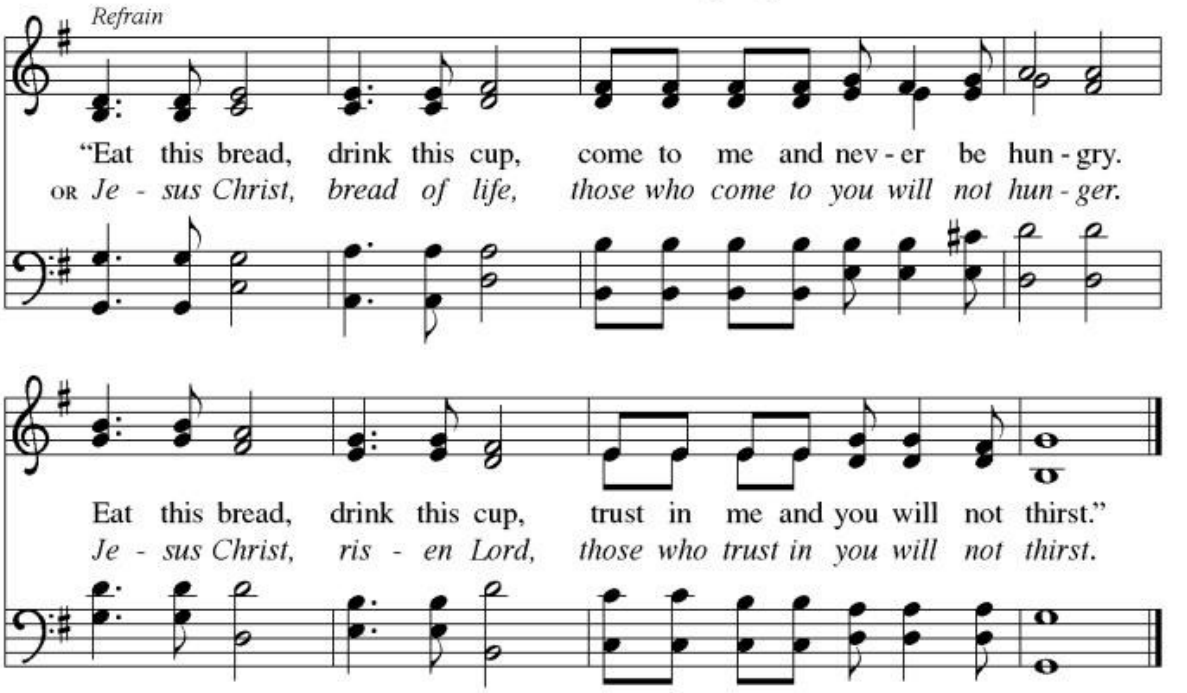
Lamb of God



Communion Hymn WiS 52 "We Gather Together"



Communion Hymn ELW 472 "Eat This Bread"



Text: Taizé Community
Music: BERTHIER, Jacques Berthier, 1923–1994
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Post Communion Blessing

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthens you in faith, holds you in God's grace, forgives your sins, and empowers you to love all others. **Amen.**

Post Communion Prayer

Let us pray. Holy God, **we give you thanks! For this meal that nourishes us in body and spirit. For a taste of your dreams. For the earth that gifts us these resources. And for these bodies of ours through which you take on flesh. May our gratitude produce faithfulness and our faithfulness produce justice. Amen.**
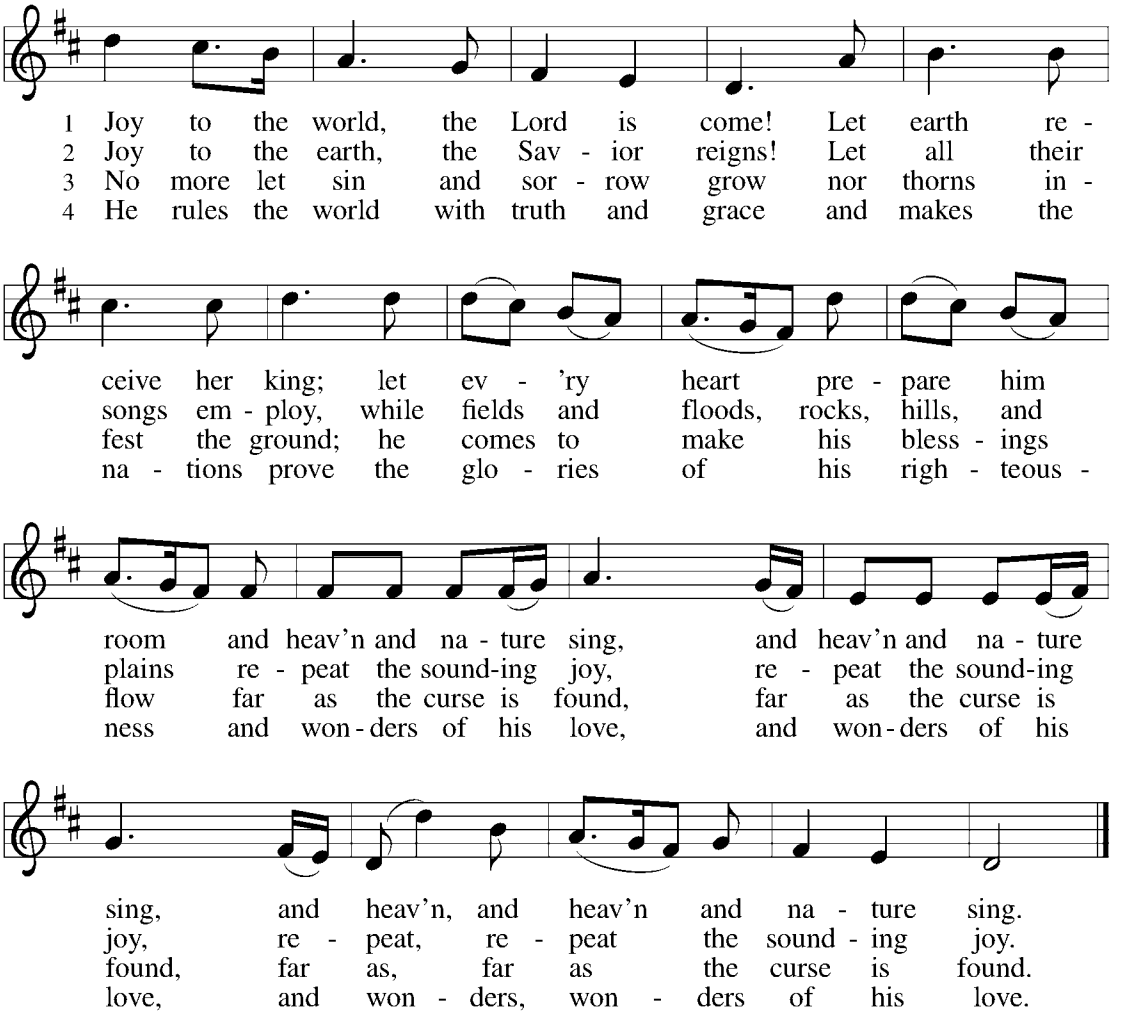
SENDING

Benediction

Friends, know this, you are claimed by God's love, redeemed by Christ's life, and set free to serve in the power of the Holy Spirit. Our worship has ended, our service begins. **Amen.**

Sending Hymn ELW 267

"Joy to the World"



Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748
Music: ANTIOCH, English melody, 18th cent.; arr. Lowell Mason, 1792–1872

Dismissal

Go forth with courage, loving God and serving neighbors. **Thanks be to God!**

Sending Music "March" by Johann Josef Fux

Ministers:	All Believers	**Musicians:**	Anne Phillips, Bethel Bell Choir
Presiding Minister:	Rev. Brenda Froisland	**Sacristy:**	Clarice Lovstuen
Assisting Minister:	Ann Allison	**Ushers:**	Susan and Jerry Johnson
Lector:	Sharon Rodi	**Live Streaming:**	Gene Rodi and Ted Allison
Cantor:	Dean Anderson	**Hospitality:**	Janet Anderson
Music Director:	Bernie Asher	**Altar Guild:**	Sharon Rodi & Grace Simons

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KIT PACKING EVENT

SUN. 11/29, 11:30AM

All are welcome to attend!

Join us as we put together Holiday Cookie Kits for our Little Free Pantry. The packed kits will be available in the pantry in December.

SALAD CONTEST

TODAY!

Sunday, Nov. 15
After Worship

As we gather together on Promise Sunday, let's also have some fun with our annual potluck contest!



BINGO

JOIN US
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2026

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PRAYER list...

PRAY FOR BETHEL MEMBERS

Mary Rosby
Marilyn Newborg
Anna Olsen
Dave and Libby Krogh
Gert Carlson
Candy and Richard Hickenbotham
Margot Lair
David and Sue Dorumsgaard Ayers
Jan Walker
Christopher Rodi
Walker Family
Larissa Hoover
Laurel Jorgensen
Gloria Condon
Hundt Family
Puckett Family
Darrell Dahl
Warwick Family
Pikkarainen Family
Joyce Hughes
Leonard Phillips

MORE PEOPLE OF GOD

- People struggling with mental illness and their loved ones
- Victims of natural and human disasters
- People in war-torn places
- Black, Brown, Indigenous, and Asian Lives
- People without homes
- Refugees, Migrants and Asylum Seekers
- People affected by gun violence

MEMBERS, RELATIVES AND FRIENDS IN THE SERVICE

Katrel Bishop (Pr B's nephew)
Adam Froisland (Pr B's nephew)

PRAY FOR OUR RELATIVES AND FRIENDS

Theresa (Pr B's sister)
Barb Passow (Pr B's friend)
Ivy Potratz (Susan Johnson's stepmom)
Sherri Johnson (friend of Bethel)
Marvin (Bryan Mann-Entzel's father)
Bill (Barb Wandberg's brother)
Beth (Dan Hauge's sister)
Andrea and Sage (Candy Hickenbotham's family)
Ethylmae Ross (Gloria Condon's aunt)
Ian (Pr B's friend)
Eric (Pr B's and Mary's family friend)
Julian (Jan Walker's friend)
Kristian (Pr B's friend)
Michael (Marilyn Newborg's brother)
Donovan (Angel Cannon's father)
Rita (Sharon Phillips' friend)
Calvin (Angel Cannon's godfather)
Wayne (Karen Warwick's dad)
Trent and Michelle (Norma's family)
Darlene (Jeff Alberts' mom)
Susan (Mike Condon's sister)
John (Kathy Hundt's brother-in-law)

Prayers of support for the family of Elaine Gates, who passed away earlier this month.

BETHEL'S MISSION PARTNERS

❖ReconcilingWorks ❖Casa de Oracion - Pentecostal
❖Mpls Area Synod ❖Nokomis Healthy Seniors ❖CANMN
❖Iglesia Evangelica Luz Alas Naciones ❖Iglesia Evangelica La Voz de Dios
❖Bancroft Neighborhood Association ❖Bread of Life Deaf Lutheran Church (BOLD)