

# Service of Worship

Ascension of Our Lord/Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 29, 2022



We give thanks that you are worshipping with us today. Advent Lutheran Church is part of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. We welcome you on your spiritual journey, be it for an hour or a lifetime! We are delighted that you have joined in this worshipping community and pray that you will be safe in these times. Whether you are in person or virtual, we would love for you to make yourself known to Advent by filling out a green contact/prayer card or by emailing the church or through Facebook. Everything you need for the worship service is printed in the bulletin.

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## PRAYER CONCERNS

We keep the following persons in prayer



*Richard Ahlvin* (uncle of Anne Curtis)  
*Rev. Anna Anderson* (Pastor)  
*Douglas Bennett* (brother of Shelley Bennett)  
*Sandra Bradley* (mother of Mark Duncan)  
*Warren Hageman* (member)  
*Jenny Jones* (friend of the Falksens)  
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*Ben Levisky* (cousin of Joy Duncan)  
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*Bill Wentz* (cousin of Joy Duncan)  
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*Becky Wilfinger* (friend of Marilyn Falksen)

***For those veterans who sacrificed their lives for our freedom***

***For those deployed to serve this country:***  
*Kevin Messer* (friend of Advent)

# GATHERING

## PRELUDE

Assisting Minister: Christ is risen

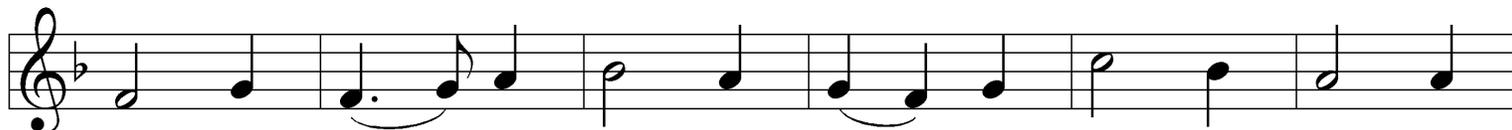
Congregation: **He is risen indeed. Alleluia**

## WELCOME

### PROCESSIONAL HYMN

### Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

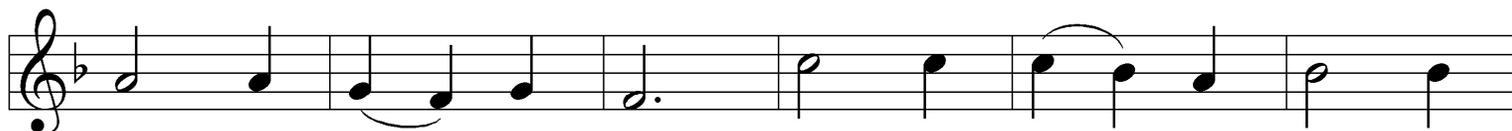
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1 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus; his the scep - ter,  
2 Al - le - lu - ia! Not as or - phans are we left in  
3 Al - le - lu - ia! Bread of heav - en, here on earth our  
4 Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, Lord om - nip - o -  
5 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus; his the scep - ter,

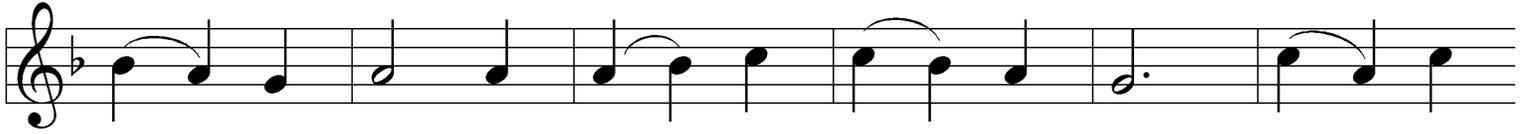


his the throne; al - le - lu - ia! his the tri - umph, his the  
sor - row now; al - le - lu - ia! he is near us; faith be -  
food, our stay; al - le - lu - ia! here the sin - ful flee to  
tent we own; al - le - lu - ia! born of Mar - y, earth your  
his the throne; al - le - lu - ia! his the tri - umph, his the



vic - to - ry a - lone. Hark! The songs of peace - ful  
lieves, nor ques - tions how. Though the cloud from sight re -  
you from day to day. In - ter - ces - sor, friend of  
foot - stool, heav'n your throne. As with - in the veil you  
vic - to - ry a - lone. Hark! The songs of peace - ful

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Zi - on thun - der like a might - y flood: “Je - sus  
 ceived him when the for - ty days were o’er, shall our  
 sin - ners, earth’s re - deem - er, hear our plea where the  
 en - tered, robed in flesh, our great high priest, here on  
 Zi - on thun - der like a might - y flood: “Je - sus



out of ev - ’ry na - tion has re - deemed us by his blood.”  
 hearts for - get his prom - ise: “I am with you ev - er - more”?  
 songs of all the sin - less sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.  
 earth both priest and vic - tim in the eu - cha - ris - tic feast.  
 out of ev - ’ry na - tion has re - deemed us by his blood.”

Text: William C. Dix, 1837–1898, alt.  
 Music: HYFRYDOL, Rowland H. Prichard, 1811–1887

**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.**

**READING FOR ASCENSION**

- P Let us pray. Almighty God, your only Son was taken into the heavens and in your presence intercedes for us. Receive us and our prayers for all the world, and in the end bring everything into your glory, through Jesus Christ, our Sovereign and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C **Amen**

**HYMN OF PRAISE**

**A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing**  
*(Please see graphic next page)*

**ELW 393**



1- A hymn of glo - ry let us sing! New hymns through-out the world shall  
 2 The ho - ly ap - os - tol - ic band up - on the Mount of Ol - ives  
 3 To whom the shin - ing an - gels cry, "Why stand and gaze up - on the  
 4 "You see him now, as - cend - ing high up to the por - tals of the  
 5 O ris - en Christ, as - cend - ed Lord, all praise to you let earth ac -



ring: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Christ, by a road be - fore un -  
 stand, Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! and with his faith - ful fol - l'wers  
 sky?" Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! "This is the Sav - ior!" thus they  
 sky." Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! "Here - af - ter Je - sus you shall  
 cord: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! You are, while end - less ag - es



trod, as - cends un - to the throne of God.  
 see their Lord as - cend in maj - es - ty.  
 say, "this is his glo - rious tri - umph day!" Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -  
 see re - turn - ing in great maj - es - ty."  
 run, with Fa - ther and with Spir - it one.



lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Text: Bede, 673-735; tr. *Lutheran Book of Worship*  
 Music: *Geistliche Kirchengesänge*, Köln, 1623  
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LASST UNS ERFREUEN  
 LM and alleluias

**HE  
 LIVES!**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

P O God, form the minds of your faithful people into your one will. Make us love what you command and desire what you promise, that, amid all the changes of this world, our hearts may be fixed where true joy is found, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen**

*Please sit*

## FIRST READING: Acts 1:1-11

Reader: A reading from Acts

<sup>1</sup>In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning <sup>2</sup>until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. <sup>3</sup>After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. <sup>4</sup>While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. "This," he said, "is what you have heard from me; <sup>5</sup>for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."

<sup>6</sup>So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" <sup>7</sup>He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. <sup>8</sup>But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." <sup>9</sup>When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. <sup>10</sup>While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. <sup>11</sup>They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

Reader: The Word of the Lord

C **Thanks be to God**

## PSALM: Psalm 47

*(Assisting minister reads light print; congregation reads bold.)*

<sup>1</sup>Clap your hands, all you peoples;  
shout to God with a joyful sound.  
<sup>2</sup>**For the LORD Most High is to be feared:**  
**a great king over all the earth,**  
<sup>3</sup>who subdues the peoples under us,  
and the nations under our feet;  
<sup>4</sup>**who chooses our inheritance for us,**  
**the pride of Jacob, whom God loves.**

<sup>5</sup>God has gone up with a shout,  
the LORD with the sound of the ram's horn.

<sup>6</sup>**Sing praises to God, sing praises;  
sing praises to our king, sing praises.**

<sup>7</sup>For God is king of all the earth;  
sing praises with a song.

<sup>8</sup>**God reigns over the nations;  
God is enthroned on high.**

<sup>9</sup>The nobles of the peoples have gathered as the people  
of the God of Abraham.

**The rulers of the earth belong to God, who is highly exalted.**

## SECOND READING: Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21

Reader: A reading from Revelation

<sup>12</sup>See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone's work. <sup>13</sup>I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end."

<sup>14</sup>Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates. <sup>16</sup>It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star."

<sup>17</sup>The Spirit and the bride say, "Come."  
And let everyone who hears say, "Come."  
And let everyone who is thirsty come.

Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift."

<sup>20</sup>The one who testifies to these things says, "Surely I am coming soon." Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

<sup>21</sup>The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

**C: Thanks be to God**

*Please stand as you are able*

**THE GOSPEL HYMN**

**Halle, Halle, Hallelujah**

**ELW 172**

Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah!

Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah!

Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah!

Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah!

Text: Caribbean traditional  
 Music: HALLE, HALLE, Caribbean traditional

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John the seventeenth chapter.  
 C **Glory to you, O Lord**

**GOSPEL: John 17:20-26**

[Jesus prayed:]<sup>20</sup>"I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word,<sup>21</sup> that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me.<sup>22</sup> The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one,<sup>23</sup> I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me.<sup>24</sup> Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

<sup>25</sup>Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me.<sup>26</sup> I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them."

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

*Please sit*

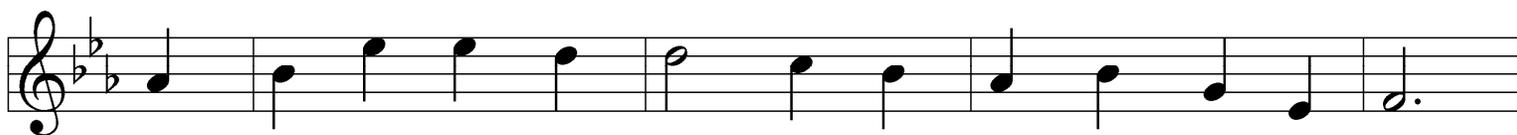
**SERMON**

**The Rev. Anna Anderson**

*Please stand as you are able*



1 The church's one foun - da - tion is Je - sus Christ, her Lord;  
 2 E - lect from ev - 'ry na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth;  
 3 Though with a scorn - ful won - der this world sees her op - pressed,  
 4 Through toil and trib - u - la - tion and tu - mult of her war,  
 5 Yet she on earth has u - nion with God, the Three in One,



she is his new cre - a - tion by wa - ter and the word.  
 her char - ter of sal - va - tion: one Lord, one faith, one birth.  
 by schisms . . . rent a - sund - er, by her - e - sies dis - tressed,  
 she waits the con - sum - ma - tion of peace for - ev - er - more;  
 and mys - tic sweet com - mu - nion with those whose rest is won.



From heav'n he came and sought her to be his ho - ly bride;  
 One ho - ly name she bless - es, par - takes one ho - ly food,  
 yet saints their watch are keep - ing; their cry goes up: "How long?"  
 till with the vi - sion glo - rious her long - ing eyes are blest,  
 O bless - ed heav'n - ly cho - rus! Lord, save us by your grace,



with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.  
 and to one hope she press - es with ev - 'ry grace en - dued.  
 and soon the night of weep - ing shall be the morn of song.  
 and the great church vic - to - rious shall be the church at rest.  
 that we, like saints be - fore us, may see you face to face.

Text: Samuel J. Stone, 1839–1900

Music: AURELIA, Samuel S. Wesley, 1810–1876

## NICENE CREED

We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary  
and became truly human.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen

 Ascension

## THE PRAYERS *(sung response)*

A With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all God's creation.

*A brief silence. After each petition please respond:*



Text: South African, based on the Lord's Prayer

Music: South African traditional, as taught by Gobingca George Mxadana; transc. John L. Bell, b. 1949

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A We pray to the Lord,

C *sung response*

P Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C **Amen**

## MEAL

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### SHARING THE PEACE

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

*We greet one another with a gesture of peace.*

*Please sit*

### OFFERTORY

*Please stand as you are able*

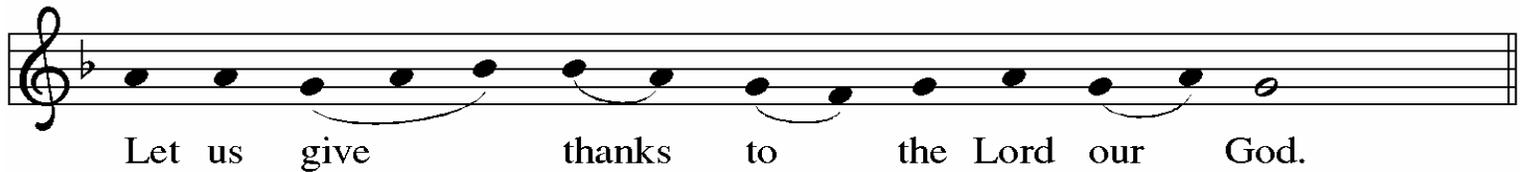
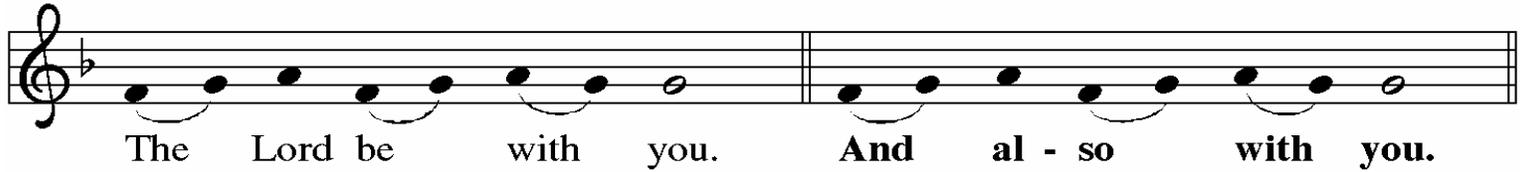


## OFFERTORY PRAYER

A Let us pray. Blessed are you,

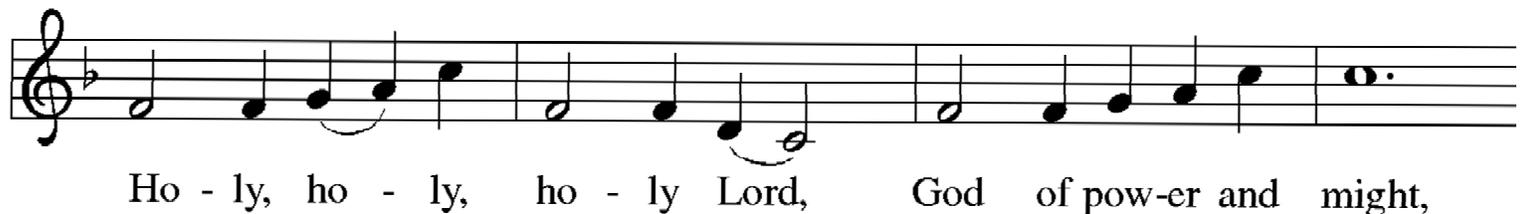
C **O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



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P It is indeed right ...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:





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, ho-san-na in the high-est.

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## EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

P . . . For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

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

P Therefore, gracious Father, with this bread and cup we remember the life our Lord offered for us. And, believing the witness of his resurrection, we await his coming in power to share with us the great and promised feast.

C **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, the spirit of our Lord and of his resurrection, that we who receive the Lord's body and blood may live to the praise of your glory and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

C **Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.**

P Join our prayers with those of your servants of every time and every place, and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great high priest until he comes as victorious Lord of all. Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.



☪ A - men, a - men, a - men.

# THE LORD'S PRAYER

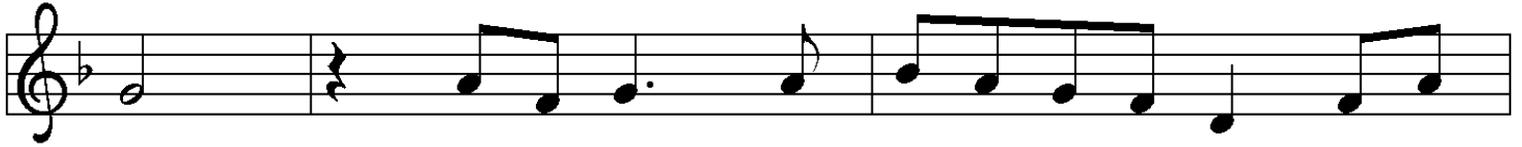
*Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins*

*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*

*Please sit*



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



us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you



take a - way the sin of the world; grant us peace.

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*Ascension*

## DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

*(All are welcome to come forward. You may commune by either common cup or individual cup. If you use the common cup, please help the server. White grape juice is available by individual cup. If you do not commune, you are welcome to come forward for a blessing.)*

*As the ministers give the bread and cup to each communicant, they say these words:*  
“The body of Christ, given for you.” “The blood of Christ, shed for you.”

*The communicant may say:* **Amen**

*Please stand as you are able*

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

C **Amen**

## POST COMMUNION CANTICLE      Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise      ELW 205



Thank-ful hearts and voic-es raise; tell ev-'ry-one what God has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re-joice and bear Christ's ho-ly name.



Send us with your prom-is-es, O God, and lead us forth in



joy with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le-lu-ia.

Text: John Arthur, 1922–1980, alt., based on Ps. 105

Music: James Capers, b. 1948

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## POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

A Let us pray.

C **O God, we give you thanks that you have set before us this feast, the body and blood of your Son. By your Spirit strengthen us to serve all in need and to give ourselves away as bread for the hungry, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

*Please sit*

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## SENDING

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Please stand as you are able*

## BLESSING

P Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C **Amen**

## RECESSIONAL HYMN

**Rise, O Church, Like Christ Arisen**  
*(Please see graphic next page)*

**R191**





1 Rise, O church, like Christ a - ris - en, from this meal of  
2 Rise, trans-formed, and choose to fol - low af - ter Christ, though  
3 Rise, re - mem - ber well the fu - ture God has called us  
4 Ser - vice be our sure vo - ca - tion; cour - age be our



love and grace; may we through such love en - vi - sion  
wound-ed, whole; bro - ken, shared, our lives are hal - lowed  
to re - ceive; pres - ent by God's lov - ing nur - ture,  
dai - ly breath; mer - cy be our des - ti - na - tion



whose we are, and whose, our praise. Al - le - lu - ia,  
to re - lease and to con - sole. Al - le - lu - ia,  
Spir - it - ed then let us live. Al - le - lu - ia,  
from this day and un - to death. Al - le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia: God, the won - der of our days.  
al - le - lu - ia: Christ, our pres - ent, past, and goal.  
al - le - lu - ia: Spir - it, grace by whom we live.  
al - le - lu - ia: Rise, O church, a liv - ing faith.

Text: Susan Palo Cherwien, b. 1953

Music: PRAISE, MY SOUL 8 7 8 7 8 7, John Goss, 1800-1880

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## DISMISSAL

P Christ is risen

C **He is risen indeed. Alleluia**

A Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE

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## We give thanks for those assisting with worship . . .

Pastor	Rev. Anna Anderson
Assisting Minister	Gerry Fuller
Communion Assistant	Lydia Suarez
Altar Guild	Joy Duncan
Organist	Heidi Bessette
Videographer	Shane Gainer
Hospitality Team	Shelley Bennett, Gerry Fuller, Eric Heigis and Kevin Letterly

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### ***Announcements***

*“I will not leave you orphaned” promises Jesus as he returns to the Father, leaving us with the promise to continue to be with us in God the Holy Spirit. “Alleluia, not as orphans are we left in sorrow now” we sing as we the Church “Rise . . . Like Christ Arisen” to continue the work of Jesus who is “The Church’s One Foundation.”*

### **Today is Pastor Anna’s 17th Anniversary of Ordination!**

She asks your prayers of thanksgiving for the gift of joyous ministry at Advent.

**Free Books!** Pastor Anna is cleaning out her office bookcases. She doesn't have room at home for all of her books, so you are welcome to take any that pique your interest from the table at Advent.

**Share the News.** At our annual Advent meeting, coming up on June 12, we will elect next year’s Council members and officers and vote to adopt the budget. That is also where we share news of the last year. If you can give a report on any ministry activity at Advent since last June, please write a few lines and email it to the church office. So many of our events go unrecorded except by the participants, and we’d like to include them in the record for the year. All reports should be submitted no later than Wednesday, June 3.

### **WHAT’S HAPPENING IN JUNE**

<b>JUNE 3</b> Deadline for Annual Meeting Reports	<b>JUNE 5</b> <i>Pentecost Sunday</i> Confirmation Class AFAC Food Drive starts	<b>JUNE 12</b> <i>Holy Trinity</i> Annual Meeting	<b>JUNE 19</b> Father’s Day
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## Summer Cereal Drive Focuses on Kids

School breakfasts end when school does, so on June 5 we will begin our annual drive to collect kid-friendly cereal for the Arlington Food Assistance Center (AFAC).

Cereal is a constant need at AFAC. Whether in school or on vacation, kids and families need a balanced breakfast to help them stay focused and full all day long. Consider donating low-sugar cereal (think Cheerios, Rice Krispies, Grape-Nuts, etc.) to provide Arlington families and kids with healthy breakfasts. Visit [afac.org](http://afac.org) to learn more.





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