

# Service of Worship

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost/Healing Service

October 09, 2022



Welcome to Advent Lutheran Church! Advent is part of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. We give thanks that you are worshipping with us today. All are welcome in this house – in-person and on our Facebook livestream. We welcome you wherever you are on your spiritual journey, be it for an hour, a season, or a lifetime! Our hope is that you will experience God’s love today in Word and Sacrament, through the amazing grace of Jesus Christ. Everything you need for the worship service is printed in the bulletin.

Looking for a church home? You are invited to become part of the Advent community. Come back again! Need more information about our ministry? Make yourself known to Advent by filling out a green contact/prayer card, by adding a comment on Facebook, or by emailing the church. You can also visit our website: [www.adventlc.us](http://www.adventlc.us) or make an appointment with Pastor Alex. We’d love to know how we can be in ministry together!



## PRAYER CONCERNS

We keep the following persons in prayer



*Rev. Anna Anderson* (former Pastor)  
*Douglas Bennett* (brother of Shelley Bennett)  
*Sandra Bradley* (mother of Mark Duncan)  
*Jacqui Fogg* (member)  
*Pat Futato* (friend of Wendell Anderson)  
*Warren Hageman* (member)  
*Jenny Jones* (friend of the Falksens)  
*Kathryn “Kate” Juhl* (member)  
*Ben Levisky* (cousin of Joy Duncan)  
*Michael Lewallen* (friend of Advent)  
*Janet Osborne* (friend of Ingrid Berdahl)  
*Ingrid Palmquist* (member)

*Chick Picard* (Pastor Anna's brother-in-law)  
*Mike Platt* (husband of Michael Lewallen)  
*Yvonne Ross* (friend of Nesta Alleyne)  
*Jean Wetzel* (mother of Joy Duncan)  
*Bill Wentz* (cousin of Joy Duncan)  
*Becky Wilfinger* (friend of Marilyn Falksen)

***For those impacted by Hurricane Ian and its aftermath***

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

## GATHERING

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### PRELUDE

### WELCOME

*Please stand as you are able*

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

*From the liturgy "Sighs too Deep for Words," by Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Minneapolis, MN.*

Pastor ✠ Praise our Wonderful Maker,

who wove our bodies from the depths of the earth, hems us in, behind and before, and will knit us back together. (*Ps 139*)

**C Amen.**

**P** Jesus said: Love God with all your heart, soul, and mind. And love your neighbor as yourself.

**C** **But we have sinned in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done  
and by what we have left undone.**

**P** Have mercy, O God.

**C** **Forgive us, renew us, and lead us.**

*Silence for personal reflection.*

**P** Jesus said: the realm of God is like a woman baking bread. She adds a pinch of yeast to flour and the dough rises and grows in ways we never imagined. (*Lk 12, Mt 13*)

By this ever-expanding grace, God fills us with new life. We are freed to love our neighbors as God first loved us.

**C** **Alleluia! Amen.**

### CALL TO WORSHIP

### I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me

ELW 860



1 I'm so glad

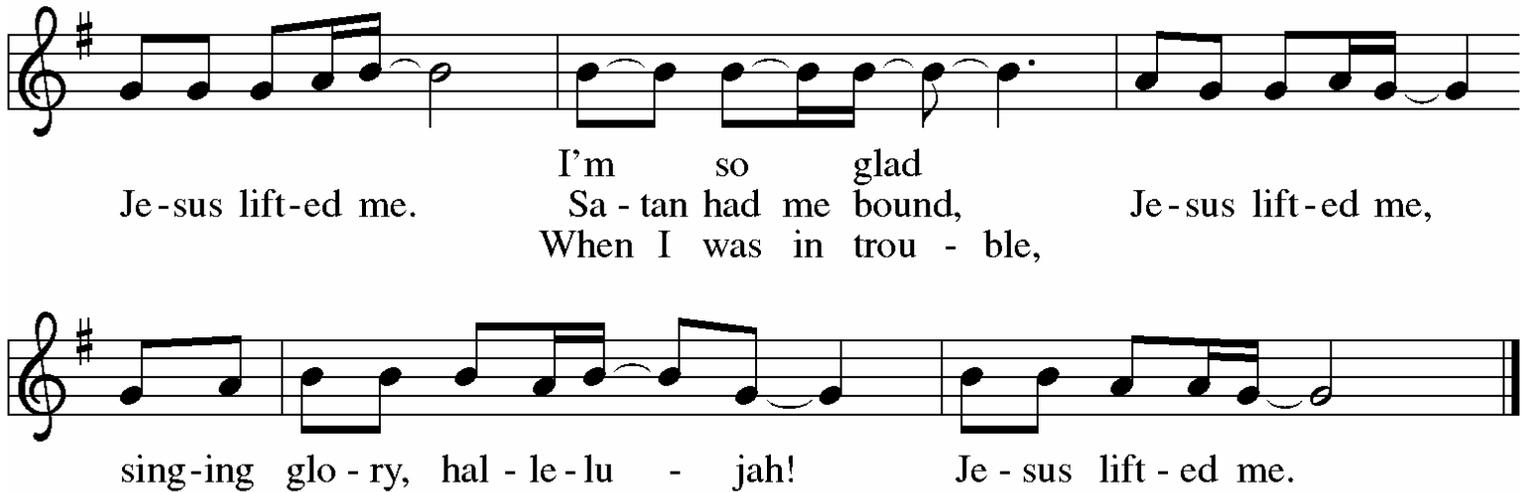
2 Sa - tan had me bound, Je - sus lift - ed me.

3 When I was in trou - ble,

I'm so glad

Sa - tan had me bound,

When I was in trou - ble,



Je-sus lift-ed me. I'm so glad Sa-tan had me bound, Je-sus lift-ed me,  
When I was in trou-ble, sing-ing glo-ry, hal-le-lu-jah! Je-sus lift-ed me.

Text: African American spiritual  
 Music: JESUS LIFTED ME, African American spiritual

## 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.**

## HYMN OF PRAISE

**Now the Feast and Celebration**  
*(Please see graphic next page)*

**ELW 167**



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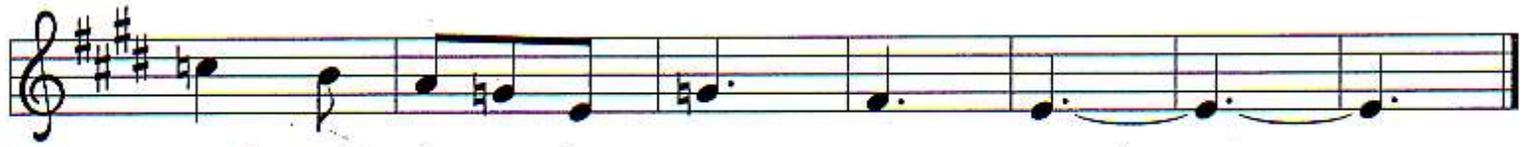
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Now the feast and cel - e - bra-tion, all of cre - a - tion



sings for joy to the God of life and love and free-dom;



praise and glo - ry for - ev - er - more!



1 Now is the feast of the Lamb once slain, whose blood has



freed and u - nit-ed us to be one great peo-ple of God.

*Refrain*



2 Pow - er and rich-es, wis-dom and might, all hon - or and



glo - ry to Christ for - ev - er.

*Refrain*

3 For God has come to dwell with us, to make us peo-ple of  
 God; to make all things new. *Refrain*

Text and music: Marty Haugen, b. 1950  
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## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P** Almighty and most merciful God, your bountiful goodness fills all creation. Keep us safe from all that may hurt us, that, whole and well in body and spirit, we may with grateful hearts accomplish all that you would have us do, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C** Amen

*Please sit*

## FIRST READING: 2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c

Reader: A reading from 2 Kings

<sup>1</sup>Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master, because by him the LORD had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from leprosy. <sup>2</sup>Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. <sup>3</sup>She said to her mistress, "If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy." <sup>7</sup>When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me."

<sup>8</sup>But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn

that there is a prophet in Israel." <sup>9</sup>So Naaman came with his horses and chariots, and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. <sup>10</sup>Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored and you shall be clean." <sup>11</sup>But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, "I thought that for me he would surely come out, and stand and call on the name of the LORD his God, and would wave his hand over the spot, and cure the leprosy! <sup>12</sup>Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean?" He turned and went away in a rage. <sup>13</sup>But his servants approached and said to him, "Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, 'Wash, and be clean?'" <sup>14</sup>So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean. <sup>15c</sup>Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company; he came and stood before him and said, "Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel."

Reader: The Word of the Lord

C: **Thanks be to God**

**PSALM: Psalm 37:1-9**

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

<sup>1</sup>Hallelujah! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart,  
in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.

<sup>2</sup>**Great are your works, O LORD,  
pondered by all who delight in them.**

<sup>3</sup>Majesty and splendor mark your deeds,  
and your righteousness endures forever.

<sup>4</sup>**You cause your wonders to be remembered;  
you are gracious and full of compassion.**

<sup>5</sup>You give food to those who fear you,  
remembering forever your covenant.

<sup>6</sup>**You have shown your people the power of your works  
in giving them the lands of the nations.**

<sup>7</sup>The works of your hands are faithfulness and justice;  
all of your precepts are sure.

<sup>8</sup>**They stand fast forever and ever,  
because they are done in truth and equity.**

<sup>9</sup>You sent redemption to your people  
and commanded your covenant forever;  
holy and awesome is your name.

<sup>10</sup>**The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom;  
all who practice this have a good understanding.  
God's praise endures forever.**

## SECOND READING: 2 Timothy 2:8-15

Reader: A reading from 2nd Timothy

<sup>8</sup>Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David—that is my gospel, <sup>9</sup>for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. <sup>10</sup>Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. <sup>11</sup>The saying is sure:

If we have died with him, we will also live with him;

<sup>12</sup>if we endure, we will also reign with him;

if we deny him, he will also deny us;

<sup>13</sup>if we are faithless, he remains faithful—

for he cannot deny himself.

<sup>14</sup>Remind them of this, and warn them before God that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. <sup>15</sup>Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

**C: Thanks be to God**

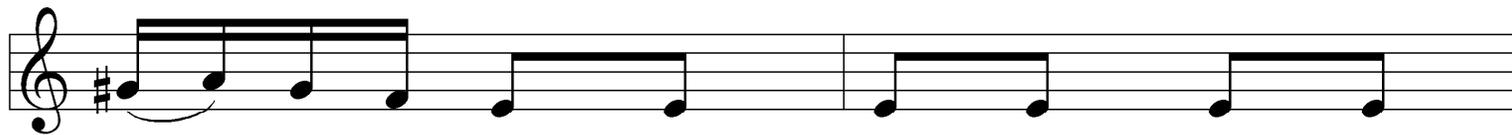
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**THE GOSPEL VERSE**

**Open Your Ears, O Faithful People**  
*(See graphic next page)*

**ELW 519**





1 O - pen your ears, O faith - ful peo - ple,  
 2 They who have ears to hear the mes - sage,



o - pen your ears and hear God's Word. O - pen your hearts, O  
 they who have ears, now let them hear; they who would learn the



roy - al priest - hood, God has come to you.  
 way of wis - dom, let them hear God's word.

*Refrain*



God has spo - ken to the peo - ple, hal - le - lu - jah!



God has spo - ken words of wis - dom, hal - le - lu - jah!



God has spo - ken to the peo - ple, hal - le - lu - jah!



God has spo - ken words of wis - dom, hal - le - lu - jah!

Text: Hasidic traditional; English text, Willard F. Jabusch, b. 1930  
 Music: YISRAEL V'ORAITA, Hasidic tune

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P The Holy Gospel according St. Luke, the seventeenth chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord**

**GOSPEL: Luke 17:11-19**

<sup>11</sup>On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. <sup>12</sup>As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, <sup>13</sup>they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" <sup>14</sup>When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. <sup>15</sup>Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. <sup>16</sup>He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. <sup>17</sup>Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they?" <sup>18</sup>Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" <sup>19</sup>Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

P The Gospel of the Lord

C **Praise to you, O Christ**

*Please sit*

**SERMON**

**Rev. Alex Stall, Jr.**

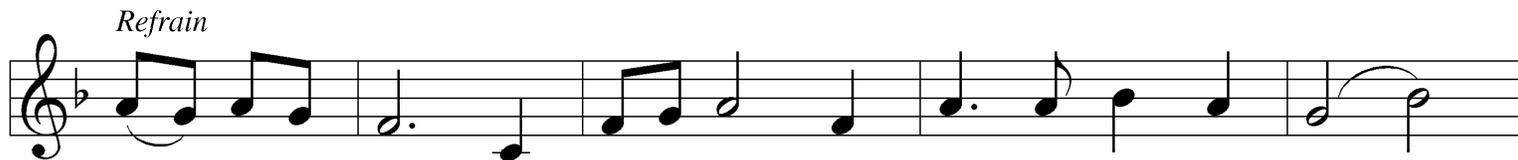
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**HYMN OF THE DAY**

**There is a Balm in Gilead**  
*(See graphic next page)*

**ELW 614**





There is a balm in Gil-e-ad to make the wound-ed whole;



there is a balm in Gil-e-ad to heal the sin-sick soul.



- 1 Some-times I feel dis-cour-aged and think my work's in vain,
- 2 If you can-not preach like Pe-ter, if you can-not pray like Paul,
- 3 Don't ev-er be dis-cour-aged, for Je-sus is your friend;



but then the Ho-ly Spir-it re-vives my soul a-gain.  
 you can tell the love of Je-sus and say, "He died for all."  
 and if you lack for knowl-edge he'll ne'er re-fuse to lend.

Text: African American spiritual  
 Music: BALM IN GILEAD, African American spiritual

## HEALING SERVICE

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### THE PRAYERS FOR HEALING

A Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and especially for all who are suffering or are in any affliction.

*A brief silence. After each petition please respond: "Hear us, O God."*

A In your great mercy.

C **Hear us, O God.**

P O God, we bring these intercessions before you, knowing that you will hear us as you have promised, and will answer according to the mercy shown in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C **Amen**

## **BLESSING OF OIL**

P We give thanks, O God, source of life and health, for in Jesus you became flesh and came to know the depth of human suffering. You sent the disciples to heal those who were sick. Bless this oil, that all who are anointed with it may be healed, strengthened, and renewed by the power of your Holy Spirit.

C **Amen**

## **LAYING ON OF HANDS**

P Siblings in Christ, I invite you to come and receive a sign of healing and wholeness in the name of the triune God..

*(Those desiring prayer and laying-on-of-hands may come forward. Please write your prayer request on the sheet provided with the bulletin.)*

## **MUSIC FOR MEDITATION AND PRAYER**

### **BLESSING**

P Almighty God, who is a strong tower to all, to whom all things in heaven and on earth bow and obey, be now and evermore your sure defense, and help you to know that the name given to us for health and salvation is the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

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.*

*Offering the peace of Christ is far more than a handshake and a greeting to someone you haven't seen since last Sunday. It is the embodiment of conflicts forgiven, wars ended, even death destroyed. Jesus's resurrection offers true peace.*

*Please sit*

## OFFERING

*The Offering represents a shift in our worship time. We change from a time of hearing and learning God's Word, to a time of action. We share of our time and resources – and our very selves. We recognize God's grace in our lives and respond with our offerings.*

*All are invited to respond to God with joyful hearts by giving regularly or tithing (giving proportionally) by placing your gifts in the collection plate, or by making electronic donations using our website at [www.adventlc.us](http://www.adventlc.us) (look for the "Giving" option on the home page). We also use Simply Giving for regular, automatic electronic donations. Please reach out to the church office for the necessary forms! In whatever way you support Advent, know that we are thankful for your faithfulness and trust in God.*

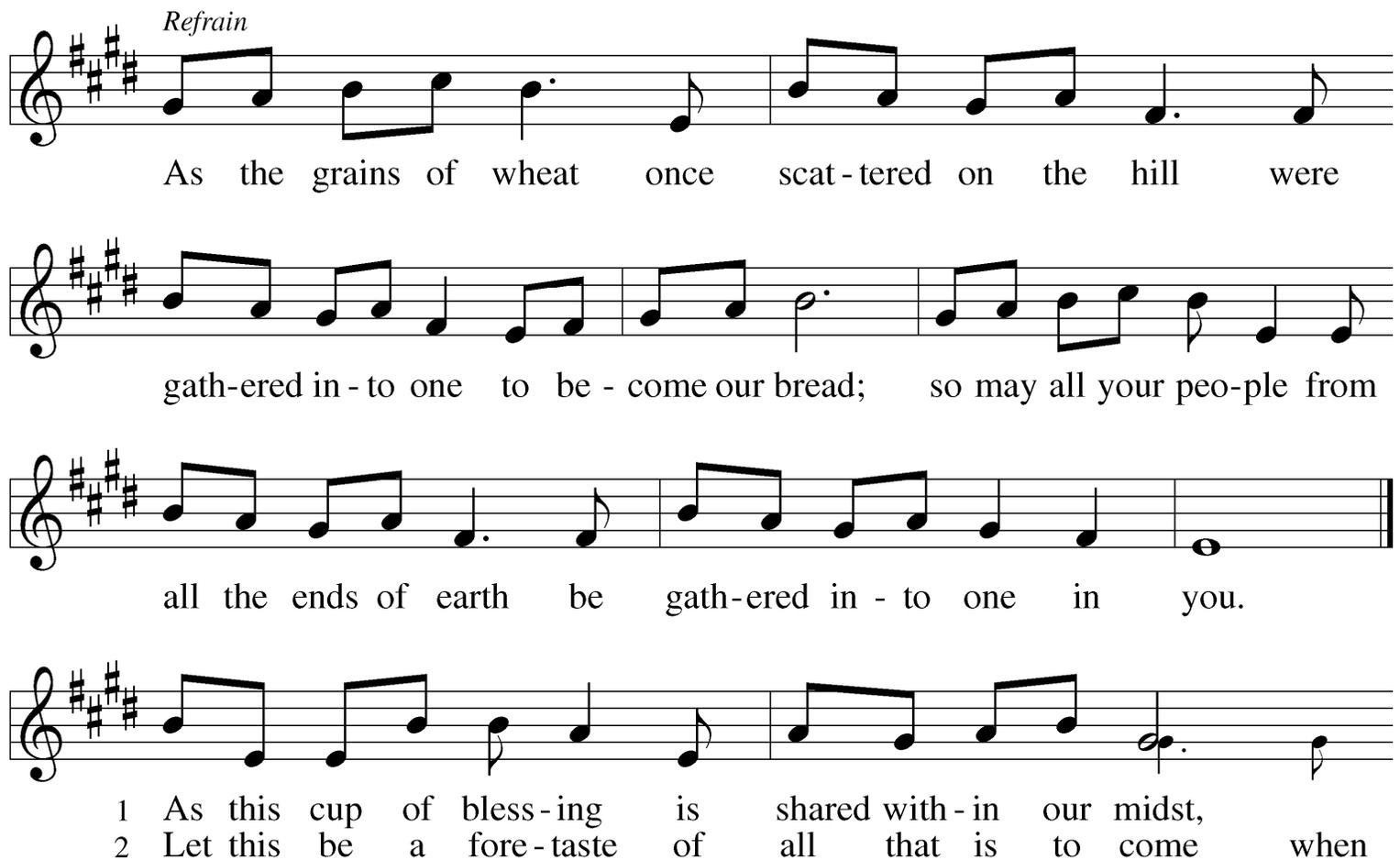
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## OFFERTORY

### As the Grains of Wheat

ELW 465

*Refrain*



The musical notation is written on four staves in treble clef with a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#). The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes, with some dotted rhythms. The lyrics are printed below the notes.

As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were  
gath-ered in - to one to be - come our bread; so may all your peo-ple from  
all the ends of earth be gath-ered in - to one in you.  
1 As this cup of bless-ing is shared with - in our midst,  
2 Let this be a fore - taste of all that is to come when

*refrain*

may we share the pres - ence of your love.  
all cre - a - tion shares this feast with you.

Text: Marty Haugen, b. 1950

Music: AS THE GRAINS, Marty Haugen, b. 1950

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## 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: ourselves, 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

The Lord be with you. **And al - so with you.**

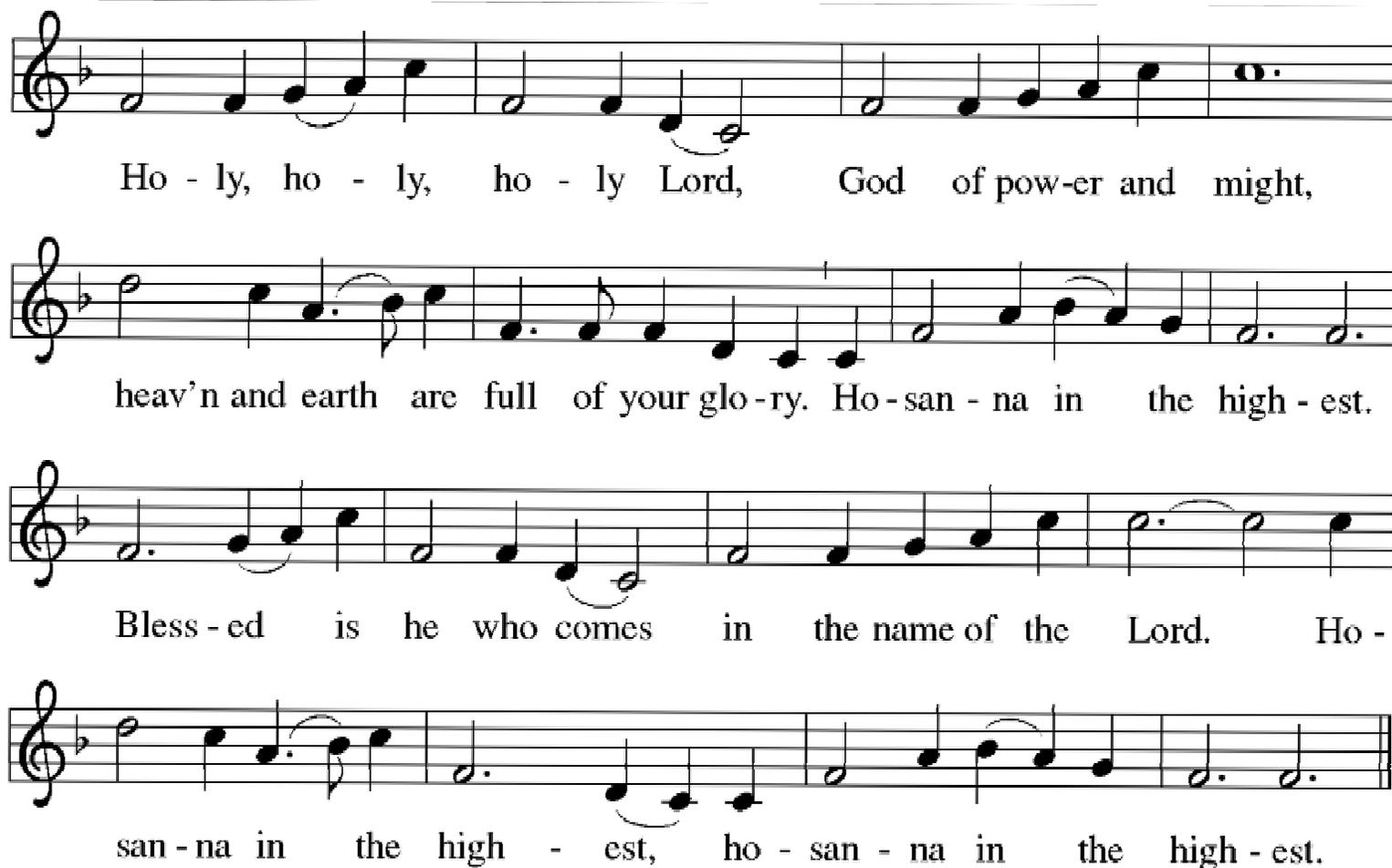
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

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

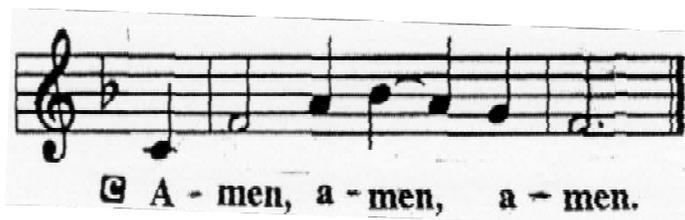


Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,  
heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

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## EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

P . . . 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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## DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

*(All are welcome to receive. Wine and white grape juice are available by individual cup. Gluten-free communion hosts are also available upon request. If you do not commune, you are welcome to come forward for a blessing. We ask that you please maintain a safe distance as we commune. Hand sanitizer is available at the usher's stand.)*

*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 Voice Raise

ELW 205

*(Please sing twice)*



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.  
*(Lent:)* A-men, a-men.

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

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Please stand as you are able*

## BLESSING

P God go before you to lead you,  
behind you to keep you safe,  
beneath you to hold you up,  
beside you to befriend you.  
Do not be afraid.

May God, Creator, ✠ Redeemer, and Sustainer, bless you now and forever.

C **Amen**

## RECESSIONAL HYMN

**Healer of Our Every Ill**  
*(Please see graphic next page)*

**ELW 612**



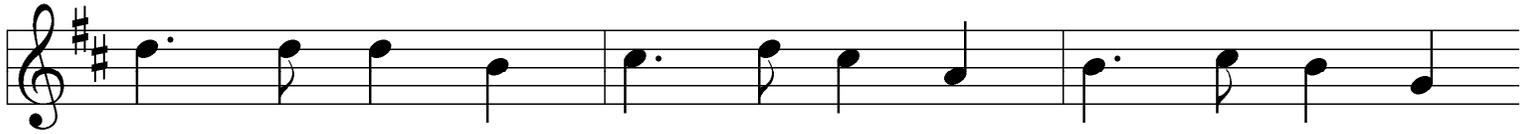
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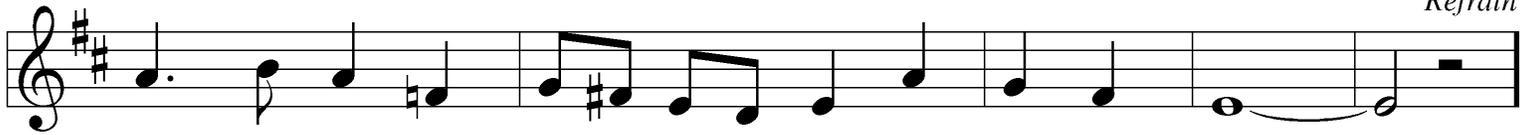
Heal - er of our ev - 'ry ill, light of each to - mor - row,



give us peace be - yond our fear, and hope be - yond our sor - row.



- 1 You who know our fears and sad - ness, grace us with your
- 2 In the pain and joy be - hold - ing how your grace is
- 3 Give us strength to love each oth - er, ev - 'ry sis - ter,
- 4 You who know each thought and feel - ing, teach us all your



peace and glad - ness; Spir - it of all com - fort, fill our hearts.  
still un - fold - ing, give us all your vi - sion, God of love.  
ev - 'ry broth - er; Spir - it of all kind - ness, be our guide.  
way of heal - ing; Spir - it of com - pas - sion, fill each heart.

*Refrain*

Text: Marty Haugen, b. 1950

Music: HEALER OF OUR EVERY ILL, Marty Haugen, b. 1950

## DISMISSAL

P This service has ended. Our service begins.

A Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Council Meeting** is Sunday, October 16, at 11:30 am in the Fellowship Hall. Everyone is invited to attend.

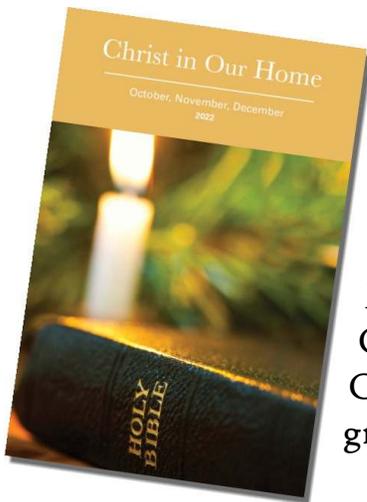
**Fall Work Day!** We'll work outside and inside October 22, starting at 9 am. Help polish and spruce up for the holidays during a morning of exercise, fun and fellowship.

**Blessing of the Pets** is now Sunday, October 23. All pets and pet parents are invited to the outdoor labyrinth at 11:45 am to receive a special blessing.

**All Saints list.** All Saints Sunday is November 06. Please email the name and relationship of those you want remembered to the office by Monday, October 24.



**Maintenance Requests**  
Issues with the building, grounds, technology, etc., should be reported to our Operations Team via Advent's website: [www.adventlc.us/forms](http://www.adventlc.us/forms). Click Maintenance Request from the drop menu.



**Daily Devotional Available for All.** Pick up a copy of *Christ in Our Home*, a daily devotional resource available in the Welcome Center. We pray it will be useful and become a part of your daily routine.

**On the Reading List.** *The Sum of Us: What Racism Costs Everyone and How We Can Prosper Together* by Heather McGhee is the Advent Book Club's November selection. Meetings are the third Saturday monthly. Contact Marilyn Falksen or the office for more information about the group and the Zoom meeting link.

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

Pastor  
Assisting Minister  
Altar Guild  
Greeter  
Usher  
Organist  
Videographer  
Social Hour Host  
Counters

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