+ Gathering +

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Prelude

"Immortal Invisible, God Only Wise" arr. Larry Shackley

+ Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy. **Amen.**

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God, our provider, help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.

Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, + the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life. **Amen.**



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+ Greeting

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.**





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+Word+

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

First Reading

A reading from Isaiah.

¹In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. ²Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. ³And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory." 4The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. ⁵And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!" 'Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. ⁷The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." ⁸Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!"

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Isaiah 6:1-8

Psalm 29

Let us sing Psalm 29 responsively by verse as translated in the Evangelical Lutheran Worship Hymnal.



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¹Ascribe to the ¹ LORD, you gods,

ascribe to the LORD glo- | ry and strength.

²Ascribe to the LORD the glory | due God's name; worship the LORD in the beau- | ty of holiness.

³The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of I glory thunders;

the LORD is upon the 1 mighty waters.

⁴The voice of the LORD is a pow- | erful voice; the voice of the LORD is a | voice of splendor.

⁵The voice of the LORD breaks the [|] cedar trees; the LORD breaks the ce- [|] dars of Lebanon;

⁶the LORD makes Lebanon skip | like a calf, and Mount Hermon like a | young wild ox.

⁷The voice | of the Lord

bursts forth in 1 lightning flashes.

⁸The voice of the LORD | shakes the wilderness; the LORD shakes the wilder- | ness of Kadesh.

⁹The voice of the LORD makes the oak trees writhe and strips the ¹ forests bare.

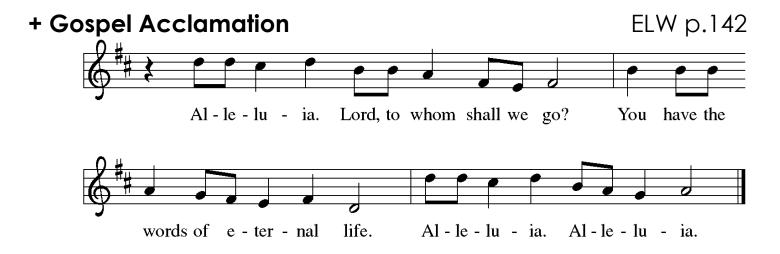
And in the temple of the LORD all are | crying, "Glory!" ¹⁰**The LORD sits enthroned a-** | **bove the flood;**

the LORD sits enthroned as king for- | evermore.

¹¹O LORD, give strength | to your people; give them, O LORD, the bless- | ings of peace. A reading from Romans.

¹²Brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh—¹³for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" ¹⁶it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

Word of God, word of life. Thanks be to God.



+ Gospel Reading

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

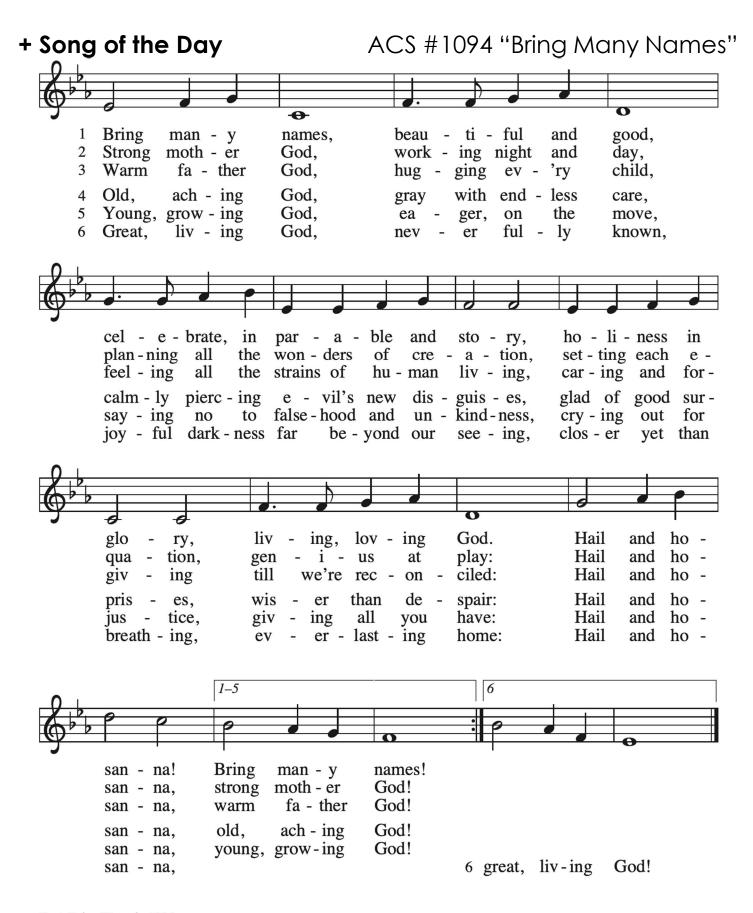
¹Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. ²He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." ³Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." 4Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" ⁵Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' ⁸The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." ⁹Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" ¹⁰Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

¹¹"Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. ¹²If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. ¹⁴And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. ⁶"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

¹⁷"Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him."

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

Young at Heart Message & Sermon The Rev. Leslie D. Weber



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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.

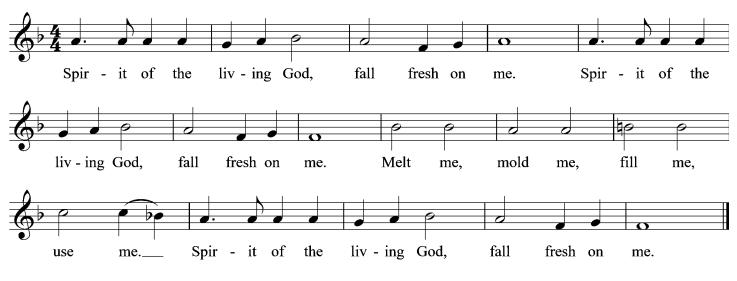
We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

* universal

sung refrain

+ Prayers of Intercession Spirit of the Living God

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+ Peace

+Meal+ God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

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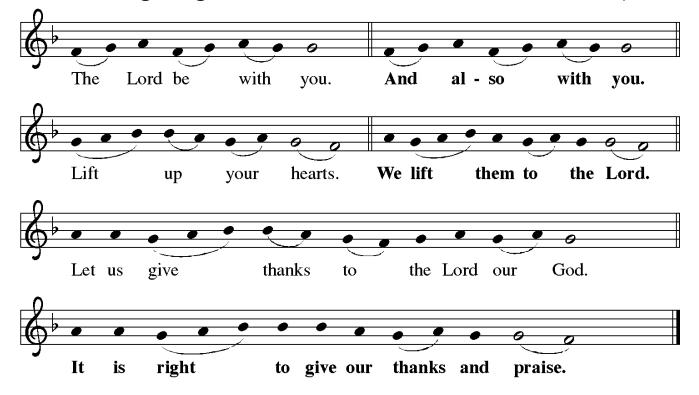
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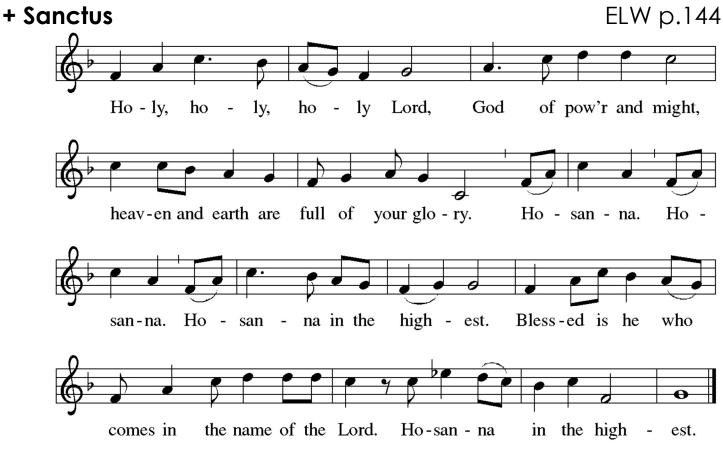
+ Offering Prayer

+ Great Thanksgiving

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+ Proper Preface

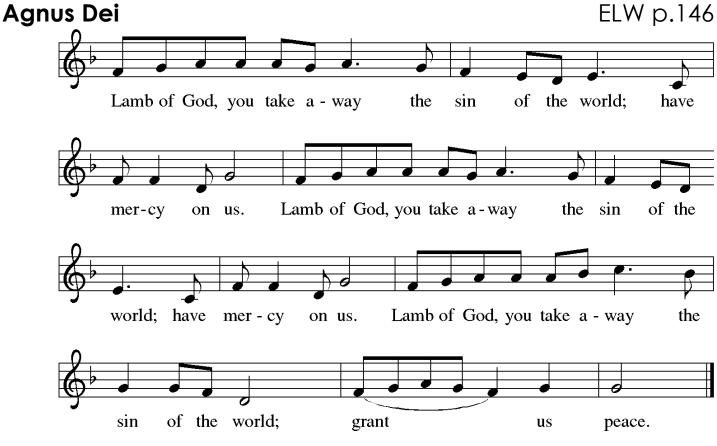


+ Thanksgiving at the Table (\vee)

+ 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.





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Notes about Communion Distribution at Grace

When we're gathered around the table, there is enough food, drink, blessing, space and time for all to share in Holy Communion! GLC practices Eucharistic hospitality since we trust that God welcomes all who come to the table where Christ is both host and meal.

Wine (red) and grape juice (white) are distributed in individual cups.

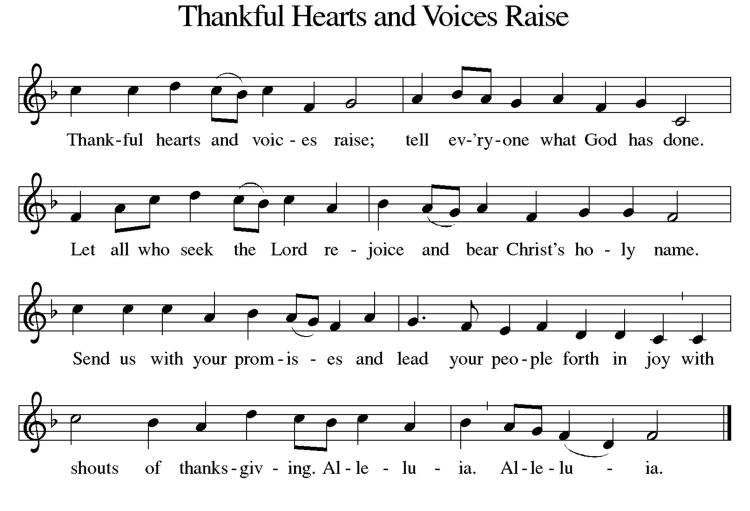
Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. If you prefer to stay in the pew, there are prepackaged kits (wine, juice, and gluten free options) available at the sanctuary doors. If you prefer not to receive the wafer and wine/grape juice, you may kneel or stand at the rail with arms folded across your chest to receive a blessing.

Distribution Song

ELW #336 Lamb of God LENT 336 Your Only Son hide. but Your on ly Son. sin you have no to 1 2 Your gift of love we cru - ci - fied. We laughed and should have died, you I but have 3 T was SO lost, this guilt - y him from your side to walk up - on sent The hum - ble king scorned him as he died. we named a your staff and your side be led by brought to to me Refrain of God. sod be - come the Lamb and to sac - ri - ficed the Lamb of God. O Lamb of fraud and God. called a lamb of rod and to be God, sweet Lamb of God, I love the ho - ly Lamb of God. Oh, wash me your pre-cious blood, my Je-sus Christ, the Lamb of God. in Text: Twila Paris, b. 1958 YOUR ONLY SON Music: Twila Paris LMD

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+ Table Blessing



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+ Prayer after Communion

+ Post Communion Canticle

+ Sending + God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

+ Blessing

Announcements

+ Sending Song

ELW #413

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!



Text: Reginald Heber, 1783–1826, alt. Music: NICAEA, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

+ Dismissal

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ. Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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