

Third Sunday of Easter May 4, 2025 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Lutheran Service Book Page 203 Divine Service Setting 4 Order of Holy Communion

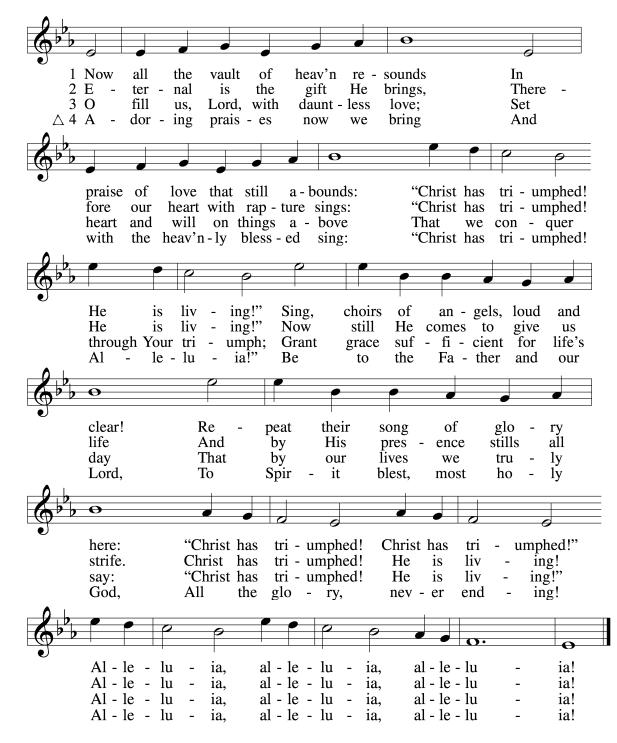


PRELUDE"Our Father, by Whose Name"SHARE THE PEACE OF THE LORDANNOUNCEMENTSHOLY BAPTISM (8:00 a.m.)RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBER (10:30 a.m.)

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**Confession and Absolution** 

### 465 Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds



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# Stand

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
  Amen.
- **P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **C** who made heaven and earth.
- **P** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- **C** But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.
- P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

# Kneel/Stand

# C Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

- Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- **C** Amen.

Stand

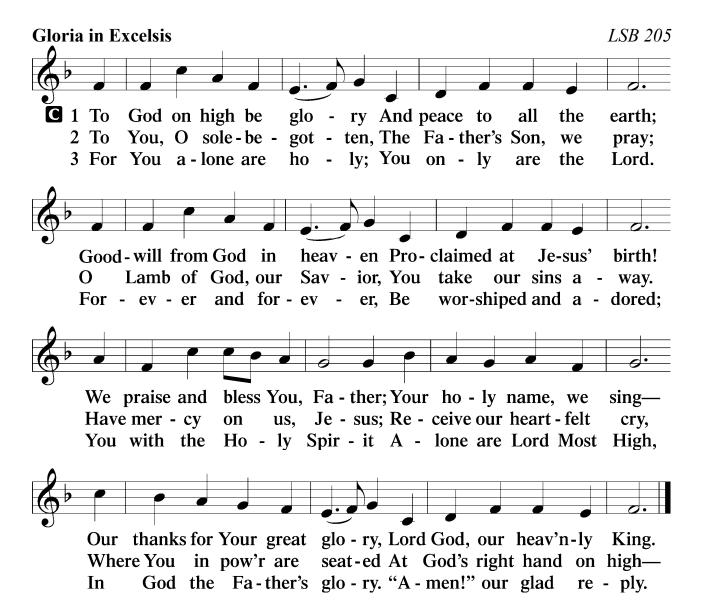
# Service of the Word

# Introit

Psalm 145:4–7, 9; antiphon: v. 10

All your works shall give thanks to you, O LORD,\* and all your saints shall | bless you! One generation shall commend your works to an- | other,\* and shall declare your | mighty acts. On the glorious splendor of your | majesty,\* and on your wondrous works, I will | meditate. They shall speak of the might of your | awesome deeds,\* and I will declare your greatness. They shall pour forth the fame of your abundant | goodness\* and shall sing aloud of your | righteousness. The LORD is good to all,\* and his mercy is over all that | he has made. Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\* and to the Holy | Spirit; as it was in the be- | ginning,\* is now, and will be forever. Amen. All your works shall give thanks to you, O LORD,\* and all your saints shall | bless you!





#### Salutation and Collect of the Day

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- С
- And also with you.
- **P** Let us pray.

O God, through the humiliation of Your Son You raised up the fallen world. Grant to Your faithful people, rescued from the peril of everlasting death, perpetual gladness and eternal joys; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

Sit

#### **First Reading**

<sup>1</sup>But Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest <sup>2</sup>and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any belonging to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. <sup>3</sup>Now as he went on his way, he approached Damascus, and suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. <sup>4</sup>And falling to the ground he heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?" <sup>5</sup>And he said, "Who are you, Lord?" And he said, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. <sup>6</sup>But rise and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do." <sup>7</sup>The men who were traveling with him stood speechless, hearing the voice but seeing no one. <sup>8</sup>Saul rose from the ground, and although his eyes were opened, he saw nothing. So they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. <sup>9</sup>And for three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank.

<sup>10</sup>Now there was a disciple at Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, "Ananias." And he said, "Here I am, Lord." <sup>11</sup>And the Lord said to him, "Rise and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul, for behold, he is praying, <sup>12</sup>and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight." <sup>13</sup>But Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints at Jerusalem. <sup>14</sup>And here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who call on your name." <sup>15</sup>But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is a chosen instrument of mine to carry my name before the Gentiles and kings and the children of Israel. <sup>16</sup>For I will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name." <sup>17</sup>So Ananias departed and entered the house. And laying his hands on him he said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus who appeared to you on the road by which you came has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." <sup>18</sup>And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and he regained his sight. Then he rose and was baptized; <sup>19</sup>and taking food, he was strengthened.

For some days he was with the disciples at Damascus. <sup>20</sup>And immediately he proclaimed Jesus in the synagogues, saying, "He is the Son of God." <sup>21</sup>And all who heard him were amazed and said, "Is not this the man who made havoc in Jerusalem of those who called upon this name? And has he not come here for this purpose, to bring them bound before the chief priests?" <sup>22</sup>But Saul increased all the more in strength, and confounded the Jews who lived in Damascus by proving that Jesus was the Christ.

- **A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

# Psalm

<sup>1</sup>I will extol you, O LORD, for you have drawn me up\* and have not let my foes rejoice over me. <sup>2</sup>O LORD my God, I cried to | you for help,\* and you have healed me. <sup>3</sup>O LORD, you have brought up my soul | from Sheol;\* you restored me to life from among those who go down | to the pit. <sup>4</sup>Sing praises to the LORD, O | you his saints,\* and give thanks to his | holy name. <sup>5</sup>For his anger is but for a moment, and his favor is for a lifetime.\* Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with the morning. <sup>6</sup>As for me, I said in my pros- | perity,\* "I shall nev- | er be moved." <sup>7</sup>By your favor, O LORD, you made my mountain | stand strong;\* you hid your face; I was dismayed. <sup>8</sup>To you, O | LORD, I cry,\* and to the Lord I plead for | mercy: <sup>9</sup>"What profit is there in my death, if I go down to the pit?\* Will the dust praise you? Will it tell of your | faithfulness? <sup>10</sup>Hear, O LORD, and be merci- | ful to me!\* O LORD, be my | helper!" <sup>11</sup>You have turned for me my mourning into | dancing;\* you have loosed my sackcloth and clothed me with gladness, <sup>12</sup>that my glory may sing your praise and not be | silent.\* O LORD my God, I will give thanks to you for- ever!

# Epistle

*Revelation 5:1–14* 

<sup>1</sup>Then I saw in the right hand of him who was seated on the throne a scroll written within and on the back, sealed with seven seals. <sup>2</sup>And I saw a strong angel proclaiming with a loud voice, "Who is worthy to open the scroll and break its seals?" <sup>3</sup>And no one in heaven or on earth or under the earth was able to open the scroll or to look into it, <sup>4</sup>and I began to weep loudly because no one was found worthy to open the scroll or to look into it. <sup>5</sup>And one of the elders said to me, "Weep no more; behold, the Lion of the tribe of

Judah, the Root of David, has conquered, so that he can open the scroll and its seven seals."

<sup>6</sup>And between the throne and the four living creatures and among the elders I saw a Lamb standing, as though it had been slain, with seven horns and with seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God sent out into all the earth. <sup>7</sup>And he went and took the scroll from the right hand of him who was seated on the throne. <sup>8</sup>And when he had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, each holding a harp, and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. <sup>9</sup>And they sang a new song, saying,

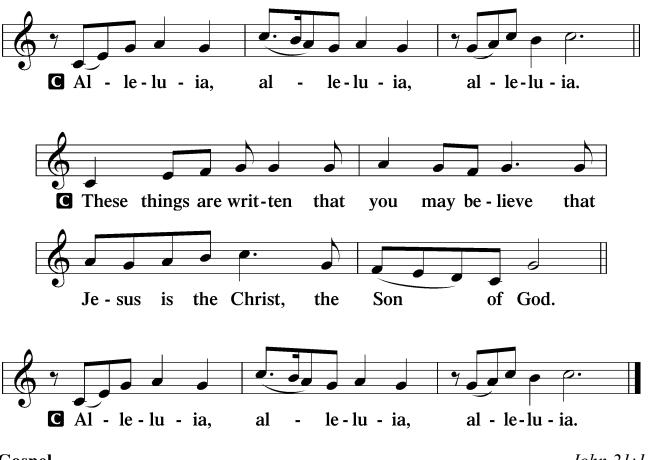
"Worthy are you to take the scroll and to open its seals, for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation, <sup>10</sup>and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God, and they shall reign on the earth."

<sup>11</sup>Then I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, <sup>12</sup>saying with a loud voice, "Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!" <sup>13</sup>And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying, "To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!" <sup>14</sup>And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" and the elders fell down and worshiped.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.



Stand



### **Holy Gospel**

John 21:1–19

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twenty-first chapter.

#### **G** Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>After this Jesus revealed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias, and he revealed himself in this way. <sup>2</sup>Simon Peter, Thomas (called the Twin), Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples were together. <sup>3</sup>Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

<sup>4</sup>Just as day was breaking, Jesus stood on the shore; yet the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. <sup>5</sup>Jesus said to them, "Children, do you have any fish?" They answered him, "No." <sup>6</sup>He said to them, "Cast the net on the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in, because of the quantity of fish. <sup>7</sup>That disciple whom Jesus loved therefore said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on his outer garment, for he was stripped for work, and threw himself into the sea. <sup>8</sup>The other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, but about a hundred yards off.

<sup>9</sup>When they got out on land, they saw a charcoal fire in place, with fish laid out on it, and bread. <sup>10</sup>Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." <sup>11</sup>So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, 153 of them. And although there were so many, the net was not torn. <sup>12</sup>Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared ask him, "Who are you?" They knew it was the Lord. <sup>13</sup>Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and so with the fish. <sup>14</sup>This was now the third time that Jesus was revealed to the disciples after he was raised from the dead. <sup>15</sup>When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." He said to him, "Feed my lambs." <sup>16</sup>He said to him a second time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." He said to him, "Tend my sheep." <sup>17</sup>He said to him the third time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" Peter was grieved because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" and he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. <sup>18</sup>Truly, truly, I say to you, when you were young, you used to dress yourself and walk wherever you wanted, but when you are old, you will stretch out your hands, and another will dress you and carry you where you do not want to go." <sup>19</sup>(This he said to show by what kind of death he was to glorify God.) And after saying this he said to him, "Follow me."

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

#### **Nicene Creed**

**C** I believe in one God,

the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man: and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life + of the world to come. Amen. 483 With High Delight Let Us Unite



# TITLE OF THE SERMON: "BREAKFAST WITH THE RISEN LORD"

#### TEXT: John 21:1-14 DATE: 5-4-2025 LITURGICAL DAY: 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter

THEME: The third time Jesus appeared to his disciples after he was raised from the dead, he made them breakfast on the beach. Jesus continues to be the True Host to us all

I. JESUS AS HOST CALLS US HIS FRIENDS (the man along the beach to the men in the boat)

II. JESUS AS HOST CONTROLS ALL OF NATURE ITSELF (the 153 large fish in the net towed by the boat)

# III. JESUS AS HOST FEEDS US WITH TRUE BREAD (the bread and fish on the fire)

CONCLUSION: We dare not ask Jesus, "Who are you?" because we know that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the Living God who still comes to us as our Host with the forgiveness of sins as the crucified and risen Lord in Preaching, Baptism, Absolution and the Lord's Supper!

#### HOLY COMMUNION POLICY:

Holy Communion is administered to Lutheran Church Missouri Synod members and LCMS guests who have been instructed, catechized and confirmed in the Lutheran faith. If you are visiting, please speak to the Elder of the day, or to the Pastor about receiving the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

#### ATTENDANCE AND COMMUNION REGISTRATION:

During the gathering of the Offerings, members and visitors please pick up the Ritual of Friendship pad at the end of the pew, take out a white (member) or blue (visitor) sheet and pass the pad down the pew to the people sitting next to you. Please fill out the date, address and phone number information as well as e-mail addresses. The sheets will be collected in the baskets in the narthex as you leave. Thank you!

Stand

# **Prayer of the Church**

Note: If you would like a prayer included in the Divine Service today, please fill out the form and hand it to the elder or usher at the beginning of the service. You may also call the church office, email, or leave a message on the answering machine for special prayers.

#### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH, SUNDAY, MAY 4, 2025

#### In the Hospital OR Receiving Treatments OR Recuperating:

Ember Ward, Kandie Darmody, Betty Tinney, Allen Smith, Mike Wendte, Mike Knox, Fern Stine, Lynlee Kocurek, Gerry Hughes, Sandy Cole, Elliot Thostesen

#### Other Needs We Pray for

- \* Trinity Lutheran Church, Early Childhood & Campus Ministries
- \* Pray for the protection of the unborn.
- \* Pray for disaster relief for the victims of flooding & tornadoes

#### Military Service Members & their Families

Gabe Stecker, Mike Gobble, Alex Laffin, Eli Wiley, Calvin Ullman Pray for peace for Syria, Israel, Palestine & Ukraine

#### **Birthdays**

Cliff Brown	5/4	Misty Sendelbach	5/4
Mason Bayliss	5/5	Debby Atkinson	5/6
Tisha Merchant	5/9	Wayne Hartman	5/10
Stephen Nehrenz	5/10	Greg Rohde	5/10

	<b>Anniversaries</b>	Years
Hart & Susan Brown	5/10/1984	41
Bobby & Celia Huntley	5/10/2010	15

#### Missions

The Rev. Andrew and Megan Fedder serve the Lord through The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod as career missionaries based in Brasov, Romania. As a pastor and theological educator, Andrew works with the Confessional Lutheran Church in Romania and with Lutheran congregations throughout the Balkan-Mediterranean subregion, including those in Romania, Bulgaria, Greece and Italy.

Sit Offering

VOLUNTARY

"Long before the World Is Waking" (meditation: LSB 485)

**Timothy Schmidt** 

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# Service of the Sacrament

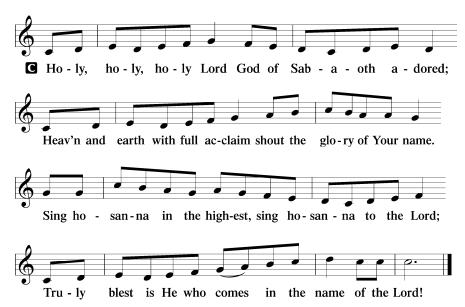
# Stand

# Preface

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- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- **C** We lift them to the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- **C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
- It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

# Sanctus



LSB 208

# **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

For Christ, our Passover Lamb, has been sacrificed. By His death, He has redeemed us from bondage to sin and death, and by His resurrection. He has delivered us into new life in Him.

Grant us to keep the Feast in sincerity and truth, faithfully eating His body given into death and drinking His life's blood poured out for our salvation until we pass through death to the promised land of life eternal.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

# 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.

# The Words of Our Lord

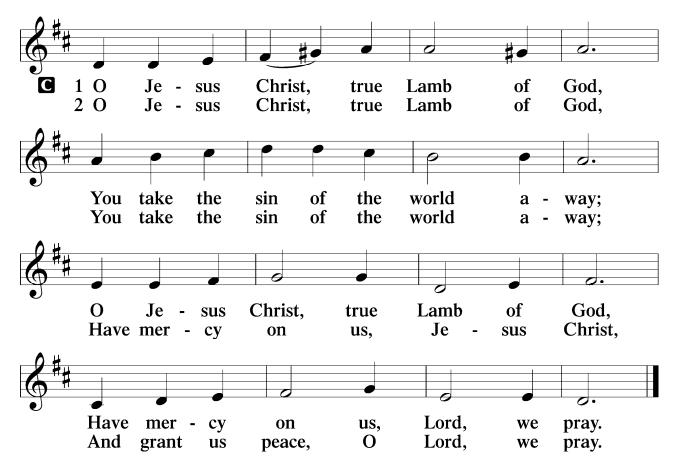
P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

# **Pax Domini**

- The peace of the Lord be with you always. **P**
- С Amen.

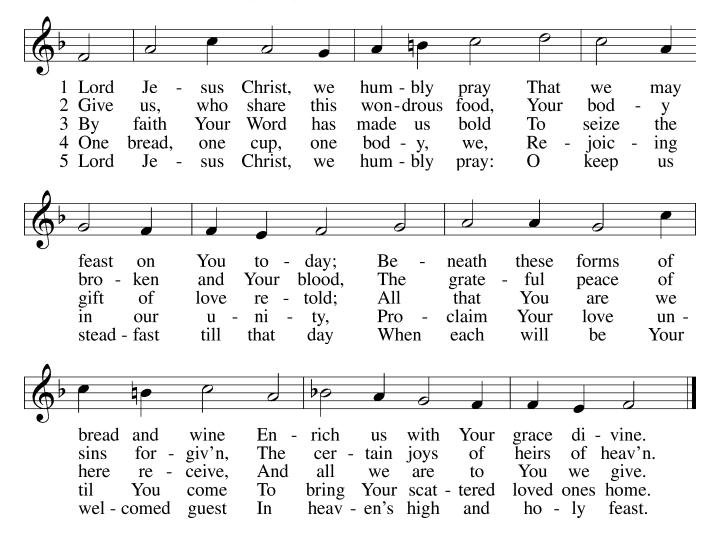
**Agnus Dei** 



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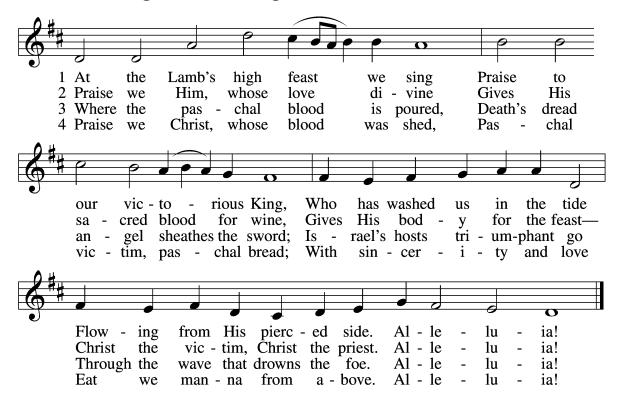
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# 623 Lord Jesus Christ, We Humbly Pray



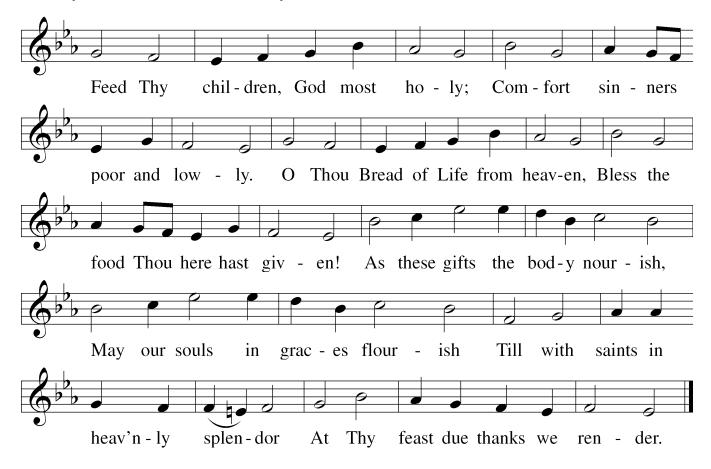
688 "Come, Follow Me," the Savior Spake 1 "Come, fol - low Me," the Sav - ior spake, "All in My 2 "I am the light, Ι light the way, A god - ly 3 "My low - li - ness, heart a - bounds in My soul with 4 "I how shun and flee What harms your teach you to 5 Then let fol - low Christ, our Lord, And take the us a - bid - ing; De - ny world for-sake, your-selves, the way life dis - play - ing; Ι bid the day; you walk as in is glow - ing; love And gra - cious words My lips ex-press, sal - va - tion, 'rv soul's Your heart from ev guile to free. ap - point - ed And. firm - ly cling - ing His Word. cross to O - bey My call and guid - ing. 0 bear the cross, whatkeep your feet from stray - ing. Ι the way, and Ι am With meek-ness o - ver - flow - ing. My heart, My mind, My and its temp - ta - tion. From sin Ι am the ref - uge suf-f'ring be un - daunt - ed. For who bear In those the Ο e'er be - tide. Take My ex - am - ple for your guide. must so - journ well I show How you here be - low. strength, My all, God I yield, Him Ι То call. on your heav'n of the soul And lead you to ly goal." tle's strain The crown of heav'n - ly life bat ob tain. -

### 633 At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing



- Mighty Victim from the sky, Hell's fierce pow'rs beneath You lie; You have conquered in the fight, You have brought us life and light. Alleluia!
- Now no more can death appall, Now no more the grave enthrall; You have opened paradise, And Your saints in You shall rise. Alleluia!
- 7 Easter triumph, Easter joy! This alone can sin destroy; From sin's pow'r, Lord, set us free, Newborn souls in You to be. Alleluia!
- △ 8 Father, who the crown shall give, Savior, by whose death we live, Spirit, guide through all our days: Three in One, Your name we praise. Alleluia!

774 Feed Thy Children, God Most Holy



Stand

**Nunc Dimittis** 



# **Post-Communion Collect**

**A** Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Amen.

### Benedicamus

**A** Let us bless the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

# Benediction

The Lord bless you and keep you.
 The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
 The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

**C** Amen.

# 474 Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen

