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Psalm 78:4



125TH ANNIVERSARY
SERVICE OF WORSHIP

125th Anniversary Service of Worship

Praising God for His Faithfulness to Trinity Lutheran Church of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod

October 24, 2026
3:00 p.m.



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Trinity Lutheran Church
Norman, Oklahoma

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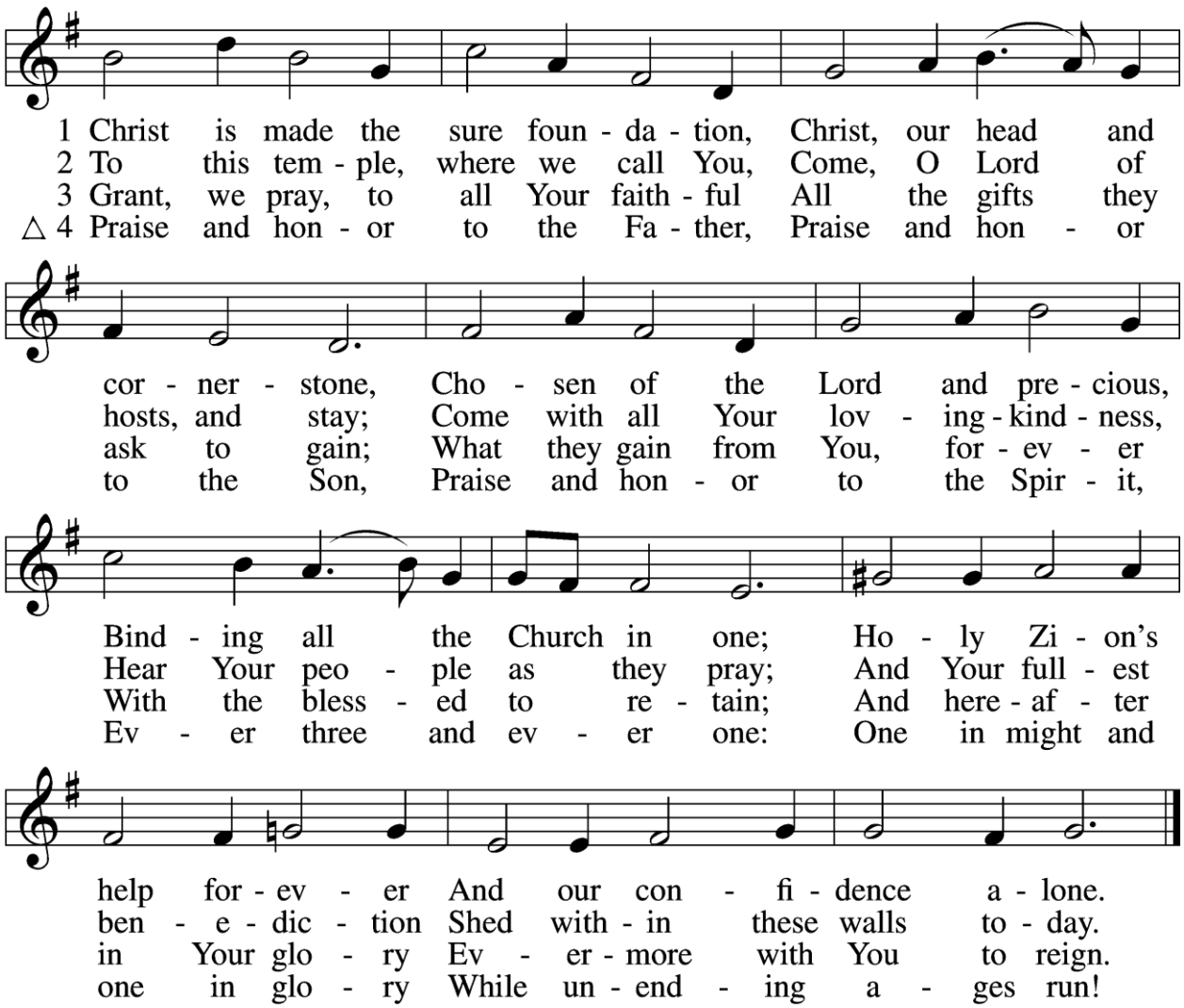
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Prelude *"God the Father, Be Our Stay"* Johann Pachelbel
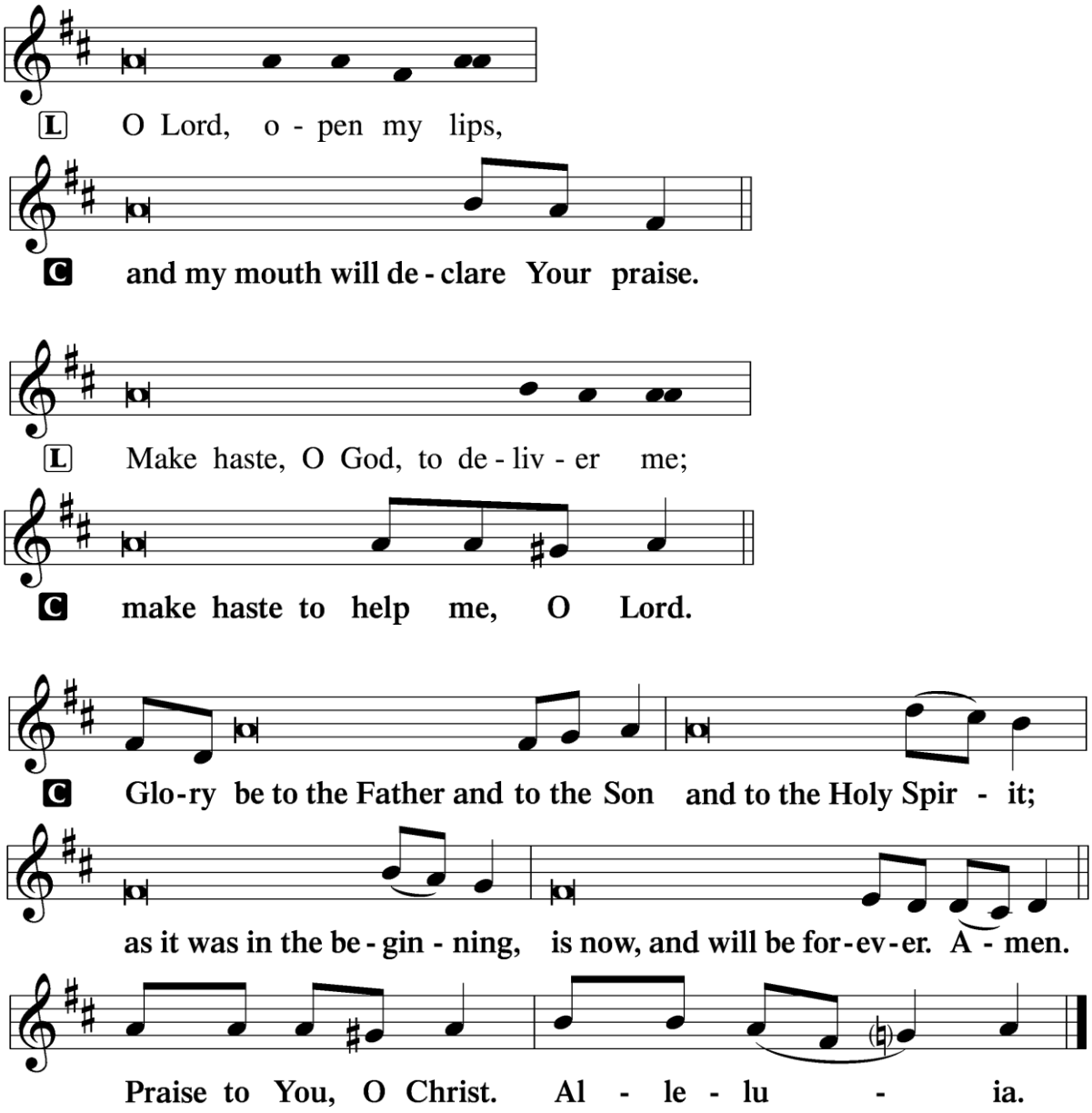
Welcome and Oklahoma District Proclamation Rev. Dr. David R. Nehrenz
President, Oklahoma District,
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Please stand as you are able and face the processional cross as it is carried forward

Processional Hymn *"Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation"* LSB 909
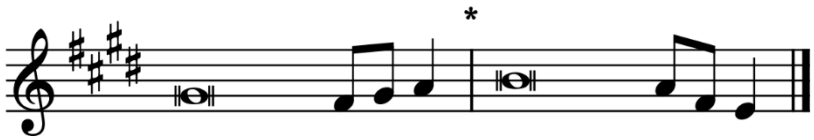


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L O Lord, o - pen my lips,
C and my mouth will de - clare Your praise.
L Make haste, O God, to de - liv - er me;
C make haste to help me, O Lord.
C Glo-ry be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir - it;
as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A - men.
Praise to You, O Christ. Al - le - lu - ia.

Psalmody

Psalm 78:1–7 Music by Timothy Schmidt
(written for Trinity's 125th anniversary)

Antiphon (choir): Tell to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the Lord,
And his might, and the wonders that he has done.



L [1]Give ear, O my people, to my | teaching;*
incline your ears to the words | of my mouth!

C **[4]We will not hide them from their children, but tell**
to the coming generation the glorious deeds | of the Lord,*
and his might, and the wonders that | he has done.

L [2]I will open my mouth in a parable; I will utter dark sayings | from of old,*
[3]things that we have heard and known, that our fathers have | told us.

C **[4]We will not hide them from their children, but tell**
to the coming generation the glorious deeds | of the Lord,*
and his might, and the wonders that | he has done.

L [5]He established a testimony in Jacob and appointed a law in | Israel,*
which he commanded our fathers to teach to their | children,

C **[4]We will not hide them from their children, but tell**
to the coming generation the glorious deeds | of the Lord,*
and his might, and the wonders that | he has done.

L [6]That the next generation might know them, the children yet unborn,
and arise and tell them to their | children,*
[7]so that they should set their hope in God and not forget the
works of God, but keep his com- | mandments.

C **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.

Antiphon (choir): Tell to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the Lord,
And his might, and the wonders that he has done.

Please sit

Office Hymn *"O Let Us Tell the Ones to Come"* Text by Abigail R. Warnke
(commissioned for Trinity's 125th anniversary) Arranged by Timothy Schmidt
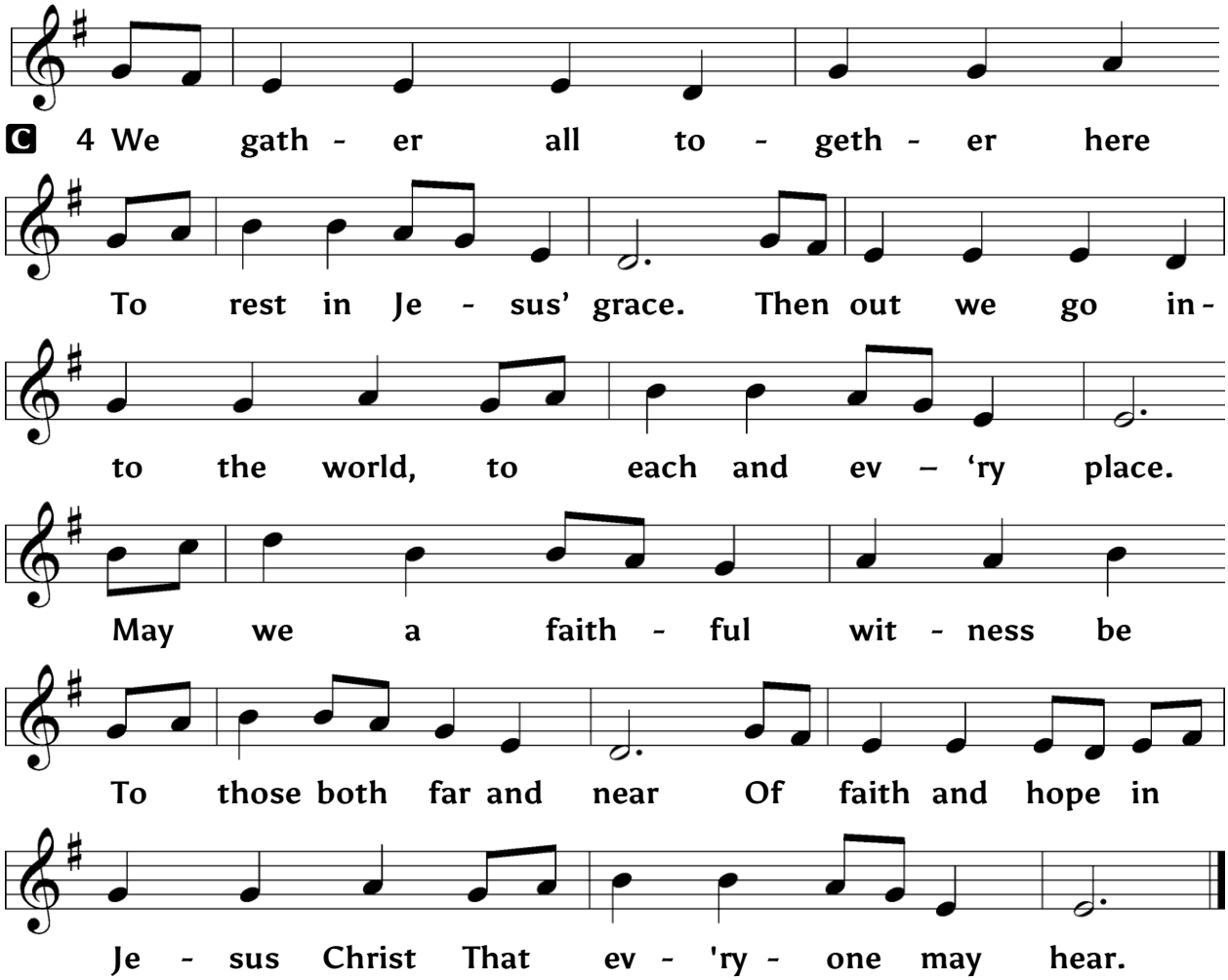
Stanzas 1–3 (choir):

1 O let us tell the ones to come,
The people yet unborn,
Of God's great goodness known by us,
Who by the world are worn.
For He has been our dwelling place,
Our hope and anchor sure.
His love for us, shown by His Word,
Stays true and ever pure.

2 The glorious works and mighty deeds,
The wonders God has done,
Cannot compare to what He did
By sending us His Son!
Our sins, Christ took upon Himself,
When hung upon the tree.
He died our death and gave us life
That day on Calvary.

3 The life that He so freely gave
We gain when born again,
Delivered through the water in
The Triune name, Amen.
God makes us His own children here
In this baptismal flood
And strengthens us through Word and meal—
Christ's body and his blood.

Stanza 4 (all):



Readings

Old Testament Reading *1 Kings 8:22–30*

L A reading from 1 Kings, chapter 8.

22Then Solomon stood before the altar of the Lord in the presence of all the assembly of Israel
and spread out his hands toward heaven, 23and said, "O Lord, God of Israel, there is no God like
you, in heaven above or on earth beneath, keeping covenant and showing steadfast love to
your servants who walk before you with all their heart, 24who have kept with your servant
David my father what you declared to him. You spoke with your mouth, and with your hand
have fulfilled it this day. 25Now therefore, O Lord, God of Israel, keep for your servant David my
father what you have promised him, saying, 'You shall not lack a man to sit before me on the
throne of Israel, if only your sons pay close attention to their way, to walk before me as you
have walked before me.' 26Now therefore, O God of Israel, let your word be confirmed, which
you have spoken to your servant David my father.

27"But will God indeed dwell on the earth? Behold, heaven and the highest heaven cannot
contain you; how much less this house that I have built! 28Yet have regard to the prayer of your
servant and to his plea, O Lord my God, listening to the cry and to the prayer that your servant
prays before you this day, 29that your eyes may be open night and day toward this house, the
place of which you have said, 'My name shall be there,' that you may listen to the prayer that
your servant offers toward this place. 30And listen to the plea of your servant and of your
people Israel, when they pray toward this place. And listen in heaven your dwelling place, and
when you hear, forgive."

L O Lord, have mercy on us.
C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle Reading *Revelation 21:1–5*

L A reading from Revelation, chapter 21.

1Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had
passed away, and the sea was no more. 2And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down
out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. 3And I heard a loud
voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell
with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. 4He will
wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be
mourning nor crying nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away."

5And he who was seated on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new." Also
he said, "Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true."

L O Lord, have mercy on us.
C **Thanks be to God.**

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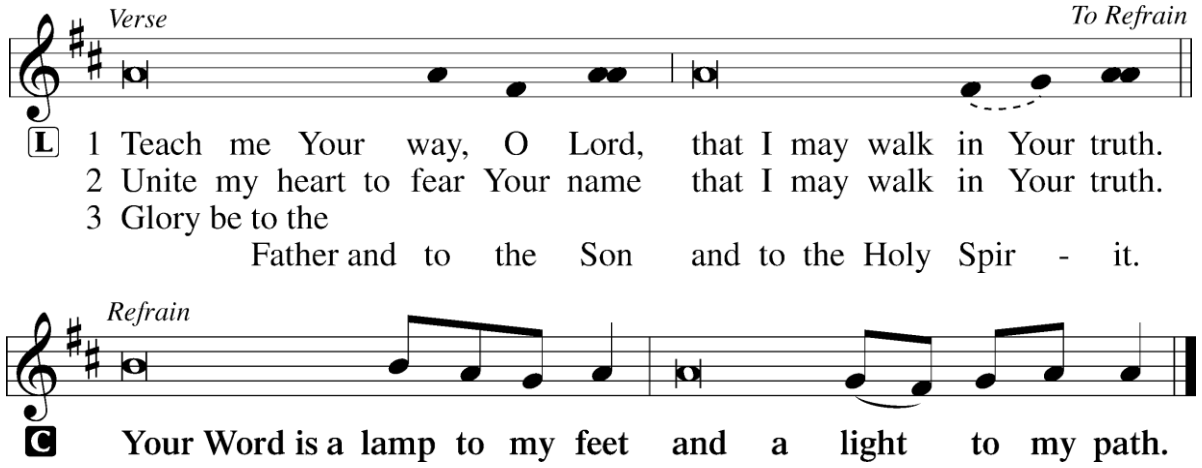
Gospel Reading *Luke 19:1–10*

L A reading from Luke, chapter 19.

[1][Jesus] entered Jericho and was passing through. [2]And there was a man named Zacchaeus. He was a chief tax collector and was rich. [3]And he was seeking to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was small of stature. [4]So he ran on ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see him, for he was about to pass that way. [5]And when Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, hurry and come down, for I must stay at your house today." [6]So he hurried and came down and received him joyfully. [7]And when they saw it, they all grumbled, "He has gone in to be the guest of a man who is a sinner." [8]And Zacchaeus stood and said to the Lord, "Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor. And if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I restore it fourfold." [9]And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, since he also is a son of Abraham. [10]For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost."
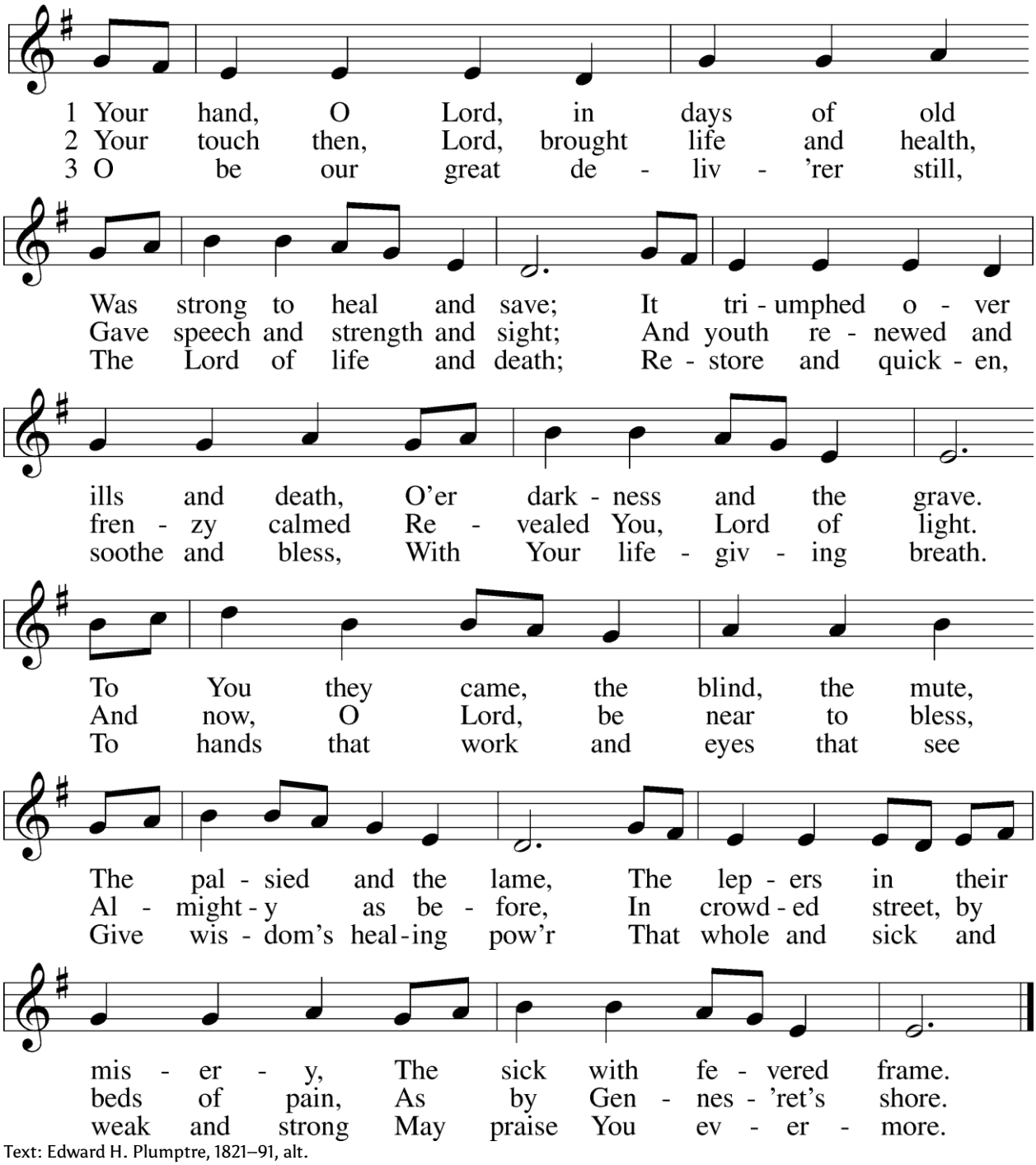
L O Lord, have mercy on us.
C **Thanks be to God.**

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Sermon Hymn *"Your Hand, O Lord, in Days of Old"* LSB 846
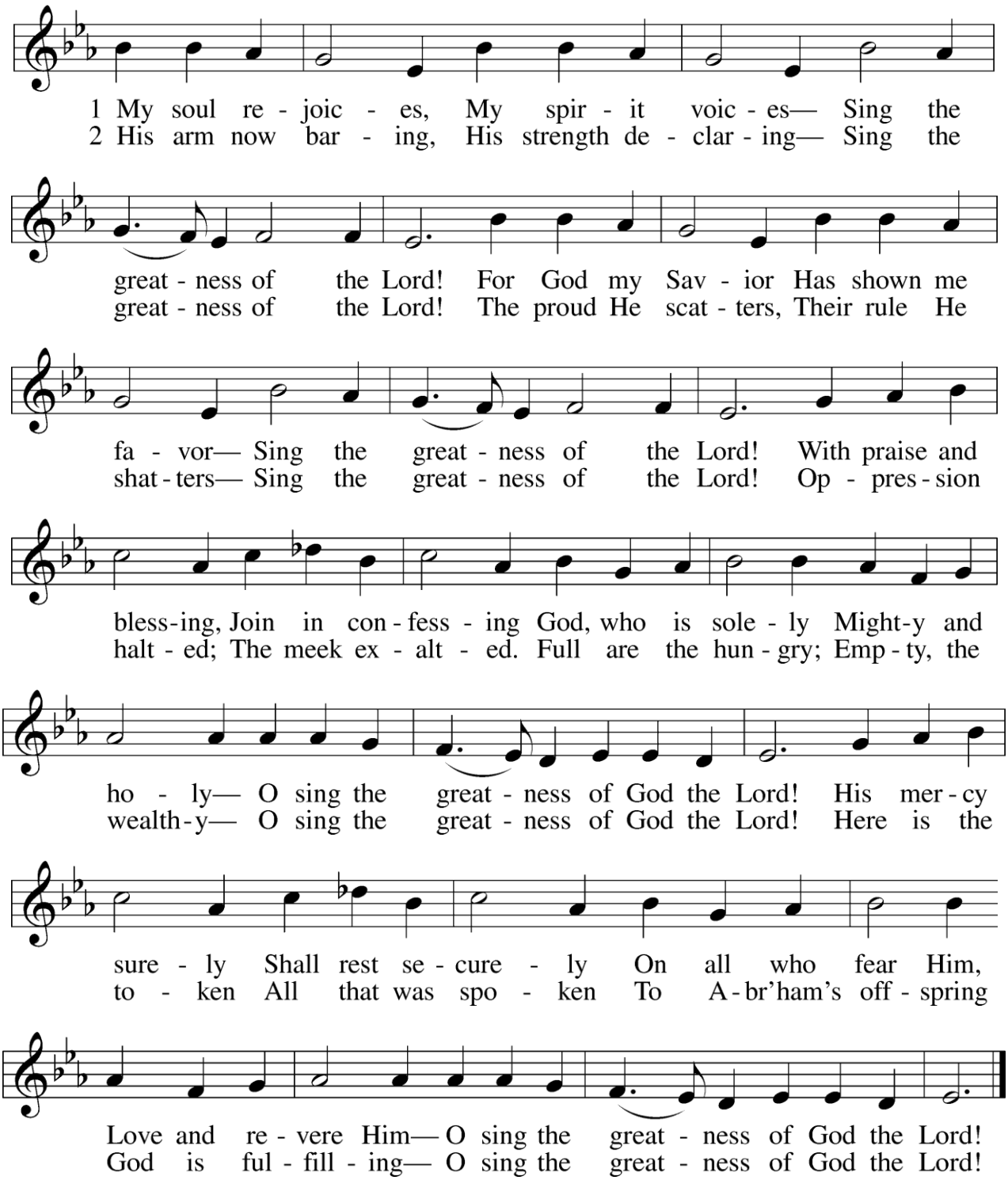


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Sermon *"The Glorious Deeds of the Lord!"* Rev. Dr. David R. Nehrenz
President, Oklahoma District,
Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod

Canticle

Please stand

Magnificat Hymn *"My Soul Rejoices"* LSB 933



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Please sit

Offerings

Voluntary *"Sing from the Mountains"* Bob Dufford

Performed by Trinity Lutheran Church youth & choir
Sara Lundmark, solo

Refrain
Sing from the mountains, sing from the sea.
Raise your voices, lift your hearts.
This is the day the Lord has made.
Let all the earth rejoice.

1 I will give thanks to you, my Lord.
You have answered my plea.
You have saved my soul from death.
You are my strength and my song.

Refrain

2 Holy, holy, holy Lord.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Refrain

3 This is the day the Lord has made.
Let us be glad and rejoice.
Death has lost and all is life.
Sing of the glory of God.
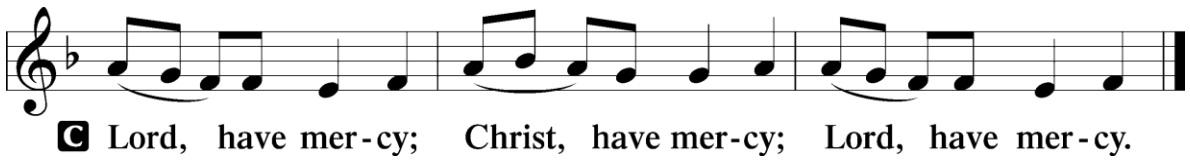
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Prayer

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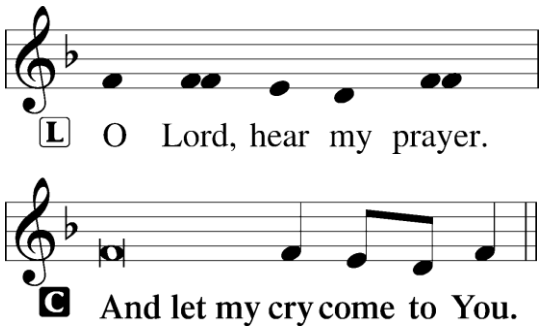
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Lord's Prayer

C **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.

Collects



Collect of the Day

L Almighty God, You have promised to be with Your Church forever. We praise You for Your presence in this place of worship and ask Your ongoing blessing upon those who gather here. Dwell continually among us with Your holy Word and Sacraments, strengthen our fellowship in the bonds of love and peace, and increase our faithful witness to Your salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Additional Collects of Intercession and Thanksgiving
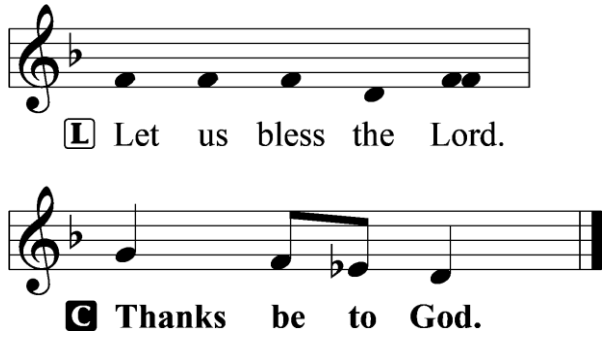
Collect for Peace

L O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

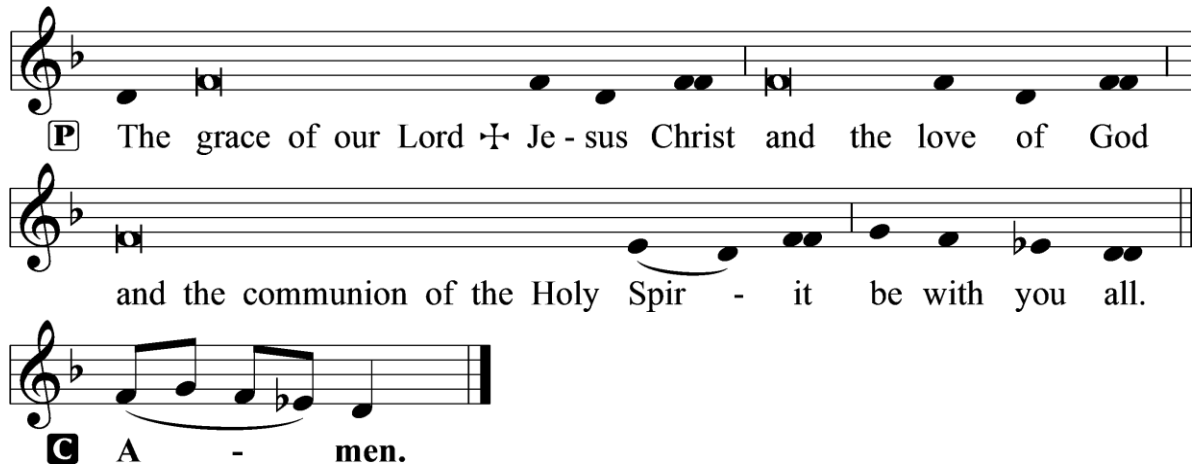
C **Amen.**

Please stand

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Benediction



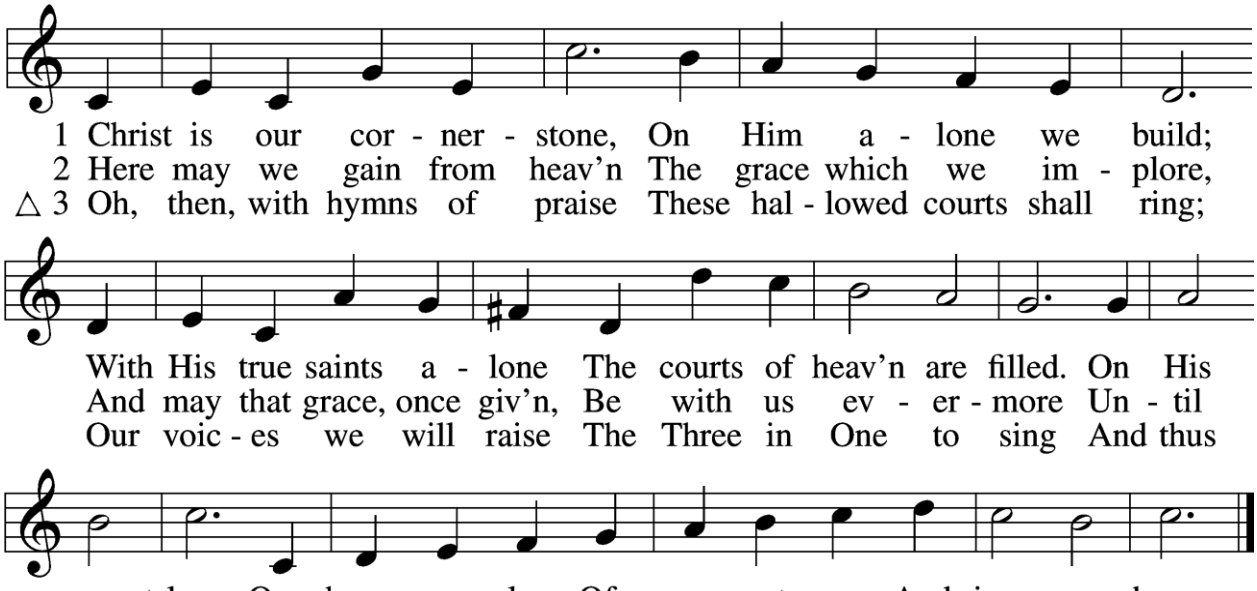
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Letters from Rev. John L. Schmidt – *Former pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church*
and his son, Rev. David P. Schmidt – *Pastor, Faith Lutheran Church*
Bentonville, Arkansas

A Reading of the History of the Church Seth Lemke
Head Elder, Trinity Lutheran Church

Please stand

Recessional Hymn *"Christ Is Our Cornerstone"* LSB 912



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Postlude *"Our God, Our Help in Ages Past"* C. S. Lang

We invite you to stay for our reception in the Fellowship Hall, Triangle Room, and Narthex!

~ Sunday, October 25 ~

Services at 8:00 a.m. And 10:30 a.m. (Reformation Day observed)

Lunch at noon featuring items from the 100th anniversary cookbook

~ Those assisting with our service today ~

Liturgist and Preacher
Rev. Dr. David Nehrenz – *President, Oklahoma District, Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod*

Reader
Rev. Marvin Henschel – *Former pastor, Trinity Lutheran Church, Norman, Oklahoma*

Music
Timothy Schmidt – *Organist & Choir Director, Trinity Lutheran Church, Norman, Oklahoma*

Vickie Zubialde – *Children's Choir Director*

Michelle Law – *Clarinet*
Tammy Stecker – *Flute*
Sam Burge – *Trumpet*
Joanie Eisenbraun – *Piano*
Josiah Stecker – *Violin*

Acolyte
Caleb Stecker

A tremendous "thank you" to the 125th Anniversary Committee, volunteers, and all others who made this celebration possible.

Special thanks also to Abigail R. Warnke for writing the office hymn today specifically for the 125th anniversary of our church.

To God alone be all the glory!

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A History of Trinity Lutheran Church

Pre-Organization

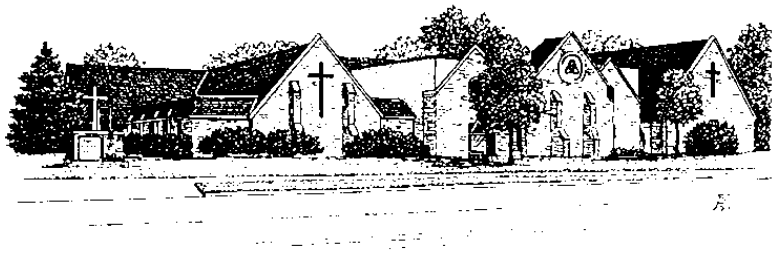
Reverend Marquart (missionary)	1892
Reverand Van der Au (Circuit Rider)	1893
Claus Pape (missionary)	1894-1896
J.J. Tinken (resident pastor)	1896-1900
Karl Lehenbauer (organizer)	1900-1901

Organization

Organized:	September 30, 1901
Charter received:	October 2, 1901
Dedication day:	December 1, 1901

Pastors

P.C. Jaebker	Dec. 1901-Oct. 1903
Herman Mass	Sep. 1904-Jan. 1908
A.H. Janke	Aug. 1909-Nov. 1912
A.C. Dubberstein	1908-1915
Reno Jeske	Sep. 1915-Dec. 1919
Vacancy	*1919-1927*
A.O. Fuerbringer	Sep. 1927- Sep. 1934
Herman H. Heuer	Nov. 1934-Jul. 1940
Harold Maleskie	Aug. 1941
Edmund Frank	Sep. 1941-Mar. 1952
Wallace Behrhorst	Oct. 1952-Aug. 1954
Charles T. Knippel	Oct. 1954-Jul. 1963
Marvin Henschel	Feb. 1964-Mar. 1972
Fred Neumann	Jun. 1972-Nov. 1977
David Johns	May 1978-Oct. 1978
John L. Schmidt	Jun. 1979-Jun. 1988
David R. Nehrenz	Dec. 1988- Dec. 2025



Other Church & Office Staff

This is an incomplete listing with dates indicating only known (i.e. recorded) dates of service. Parish secretaries were only infrequently listed in bulletins and newsletters. Other staff members—e.g. janitors, newsletter editors—are rarely mentioned.

Vicars

Norwood M. Blanke	1962-1963
Peter Scaer (“1”)	1990-1991
Christopher Ireland (“2”)	1991-1992
Todd Schlechte (“3”)	1992-1993
Scott Sundbye (“4”)	1993-1994
Marcus Zill (“5”)	1994-1995
Christopher Esget (“6”)	1995-1996
Stephen Willweber (“7”)	1996-1997
Timothy Gerdes (“8”)	1997-1998
Eric Ahlemeyer (“9”)	1998-1999
Paul Beisel (“10”)	1999-2000
Jeffrey Ahonen (“11”)	2000-2001
Chad Dietrich (“12”)	2001-2002
Dan Mackey (“13”)	2002-2003
Ryan Mills (“14”)	2003-2004
David Menet (“15”)	2004-2005
David Carver (“16”)	2005-2006
Mark Preus (“17”)	2006-2007
Geoge Kirkup (“18”)	2007-2008
Jacob Gaugert (“19”)	2008-2009
Evan Goeglein (“20”)	2009-2010
Matthew Moss (“21”)	2010-2011
William Willenbrock (“22”)	2011-2012
Aaron Uphoff (“23”)	2012-2013
Joshua Woelmer (“24”)	2013-2014
John Zimmerman (“25”)	2014-2015
Eric Rudsenske (“26”)	2015-2016
Eric Bednash (“27”)	2016-2017
Keith Kettner (“28”)	2017-2018
David Keating (“29”)	2018-2019
Rob Schrader (“30”)	2019-2020
Jordan Peiser (“31”)	2020-2021
Mark Gaschler (“32”)	2021-2022
Jonathan Anderson (“33”)	2022-2023
James Bruss (“34”)	2023-2024
Tanner Sawall (“35”)	2024-2025
Seth Horn (“36”)	2025-2026

Directors of Christian Education

Carl Gehrsn	1971
Kenneth Schkade	1973-1976
Rob McDowell (DCE intern)	1981-1982
Mark Jones (DCE intern)	1982-1983
Dan Werning	1983-1984
Kyle Heck	1985-1987
Carole Prime	1987-2000

Youth Directors

Susan Hartman	volunteer	1990-2000
	staff	2000-2007
David & Kim Seewald	volunteer	2008-2010
Mark Nehrenz		2011-2012
Kerstin Meyer & Seth Lemke		2012-2013
Troy Young & Taber (Stockstill) Tornes		2013-2014
Brianna Brown		2014-2015
Sarah Lemke		2016-2019
Aaron Pomerantz		2016-2021
Kathryn Buller		2017-2021
Susan Hartman		Jul. 2021-Present

Secretaries

Elmore Isaacs	1961-1963
Kathryn Hansmeyer	1964
Roberta Mohon	1965
Patti Rowland	1968
Elaine Tiller	1968
Deanna Schmidt	1979-1988
Nancy Hartman	1988-2009
Jackie Mullen	2009-Present

Music Staff

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Organists

Gertrude Brauer	1950
Helen (Straub) Higbee	1950
Lloyd Hendricks	1957
Katheryn Hoffman	1962–1964
Kathleen Kitching	1964
Lynne Lawrence	1971
James Strand	1971–1972
Roland Lohmann	1972
Kristin Olson	1972
Gerald Iverson	1973
Kathy Schkade	1973–1974
Dennis Borycki	1973–1976
Paula Busking	1977
Nancy Redshaw	1979
Kathy Madden	1979–1981
Lisa Bird	1979
Sam Daniel	1979
Mike Click	1982
Alice Seifert	1984–1993
Cindy Jarboe	Oct. 1994–Jul. 2005
Craig Sproat	2005–2008
Thomas Bandy	2008–2010
Silviya Mateva	2011–2016
Stephanie Barth	2016–2017
Evan Bellas	2017–2018
Abe Wallace	2018–2019
David Lim	2019–2020
Rachael (Gros) Merston	2020–Jun. 2022
Timothy Schmidt	Jul. 2022–Present

Choir Directors

Walter Haderer	1952
Trela Hodges	1955
John Norman	1956–1957
Mrs. Sammie Mitchel Olkinetzky	1957–1962
Kelly Hale	1963
Michael Ingham	1965–1966
Gordon Mewes	1967
Lynne Lawrence	1970–1971
C.C. Kahnert	1972–1973
John Isernhagen	1973
Freida Depe	1981
Phil Comer	1981
Dennis Mosser	1987–1991
Bill Higgins	1991–1996
Craig Amendt	1997–1999
Alisa Grundmann	1999
Harold Jones	2000
Wes Hall	2001



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