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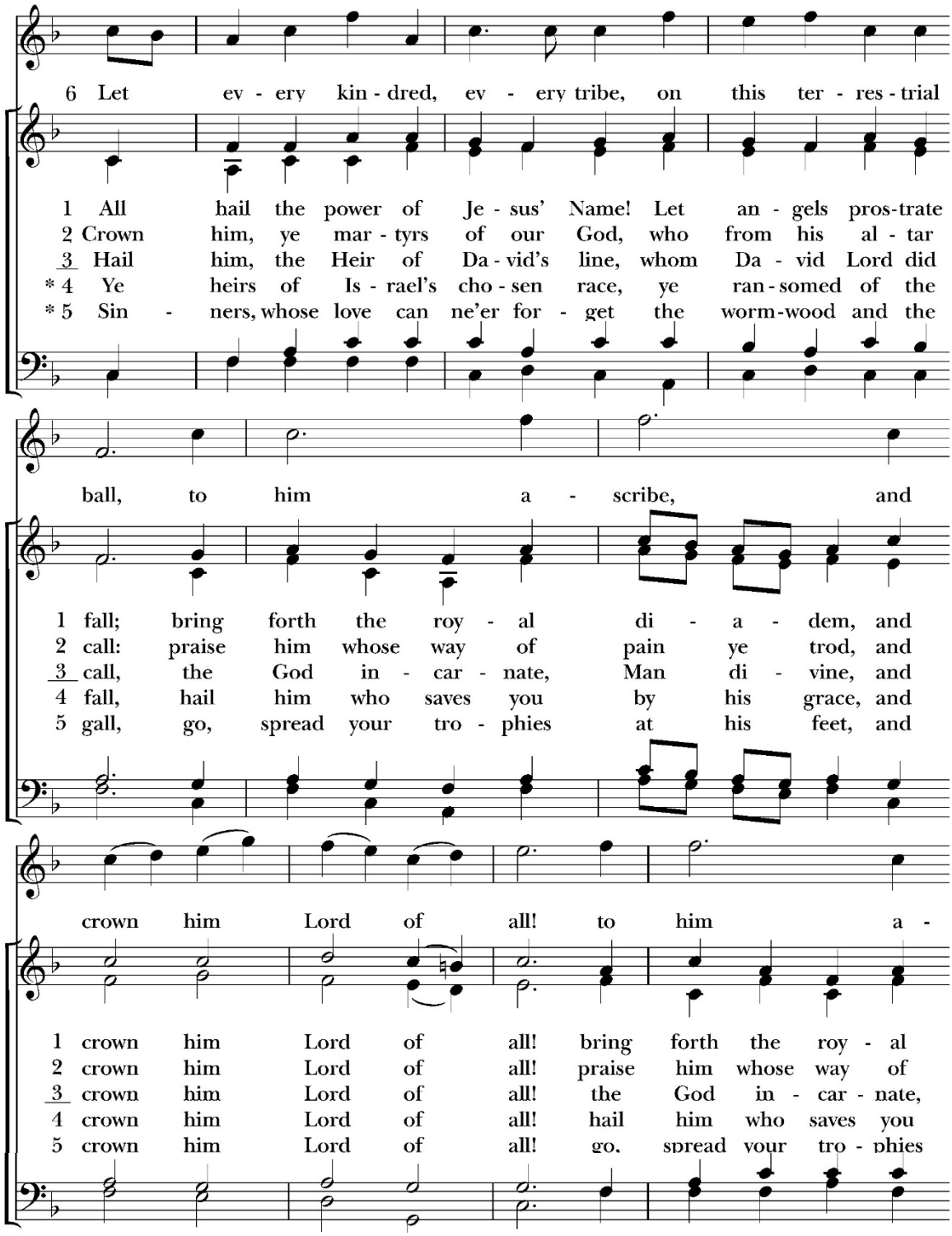
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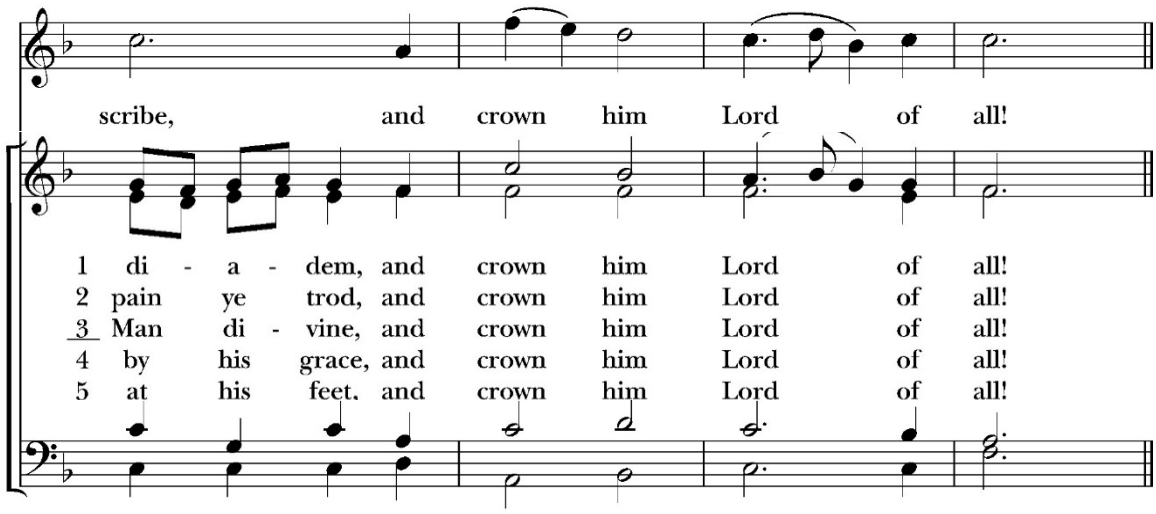
Sunday, November 22, 2026



PRELUDE | Four Contemplative Pieces — Cesar Franck (1822-1890)

ENTRANCE HYMN | All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name — *The Hymnal 1982*, No. 450





6 Let every kindred, every tribe,
on this terrestrial ball,
to him all majesty ascribe,
and crown him Lord of all!

OPENING ACCLAMATION

The people stand, as able.

Celebrant Blessed be God: most holy, glorious, and undivided Trinity.

People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Celebrant Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Savior.

People **Amen.**

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Ending call & response

Celebrant God is Good.

People **All the time.**

Celebrant All the time.

People **God is Good.**

SONG OF PRAISE | 8:00 AM | Gloria

All stand, as able.

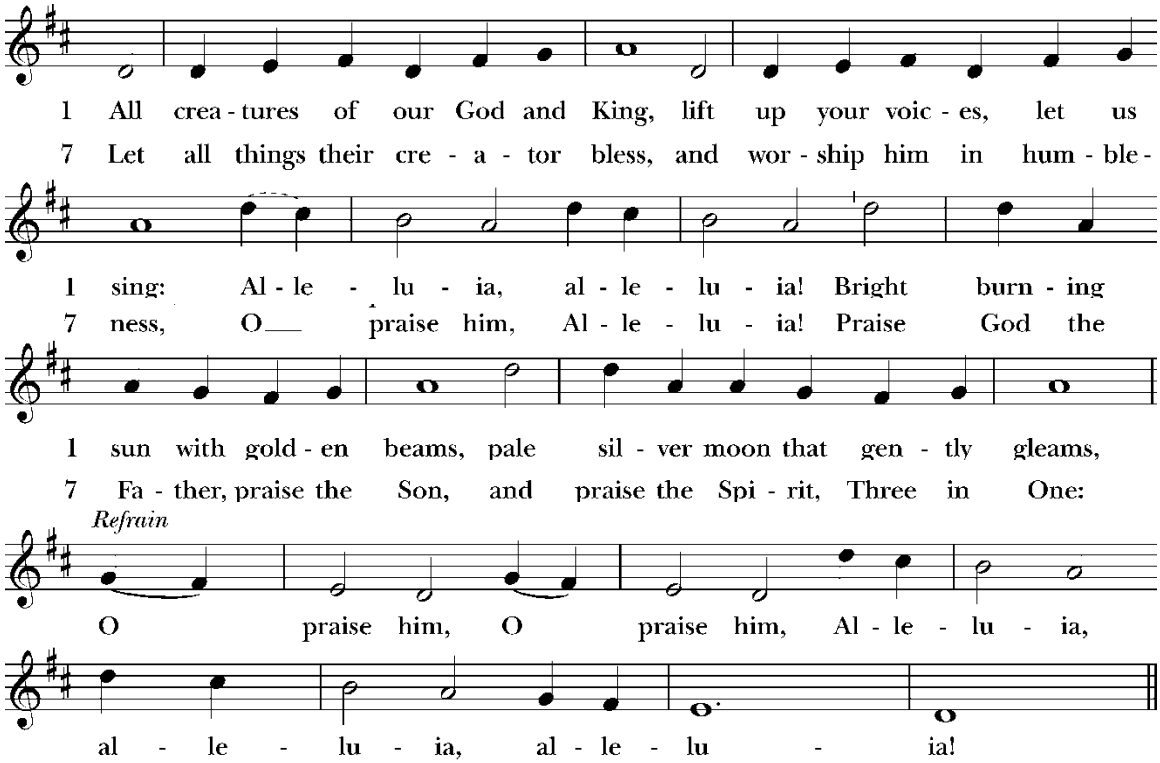
Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to God's people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father, receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

SONG OF PRAISE | 10:30 AM | All Creatures of Our God and King

All stand, as able. *The Hymnal 1982,* No. 400, Vs. 1&7



THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and loves with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People **Amen.**

A READING FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT | Ephesians 1:15-23 *NRSVUE*

The people sit.

15I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason
16I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. 17I pray that the God of
our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you
come to know him, 18so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the
hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints,
19and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working
of his great power. 20God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and
seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, 21far above all rule and authority and power and
dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come.
22And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church,
23which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL PSALM | 8:00 | PSALM 100

Remain seated. The Psalm is read responsively, by whole verse

1Be joyful in the LORD, all you lands;
serve the LORD with gladness
and come before his presence with a song.

2Know this: The LORD himself is God;
he himself has made us, and we are his;
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

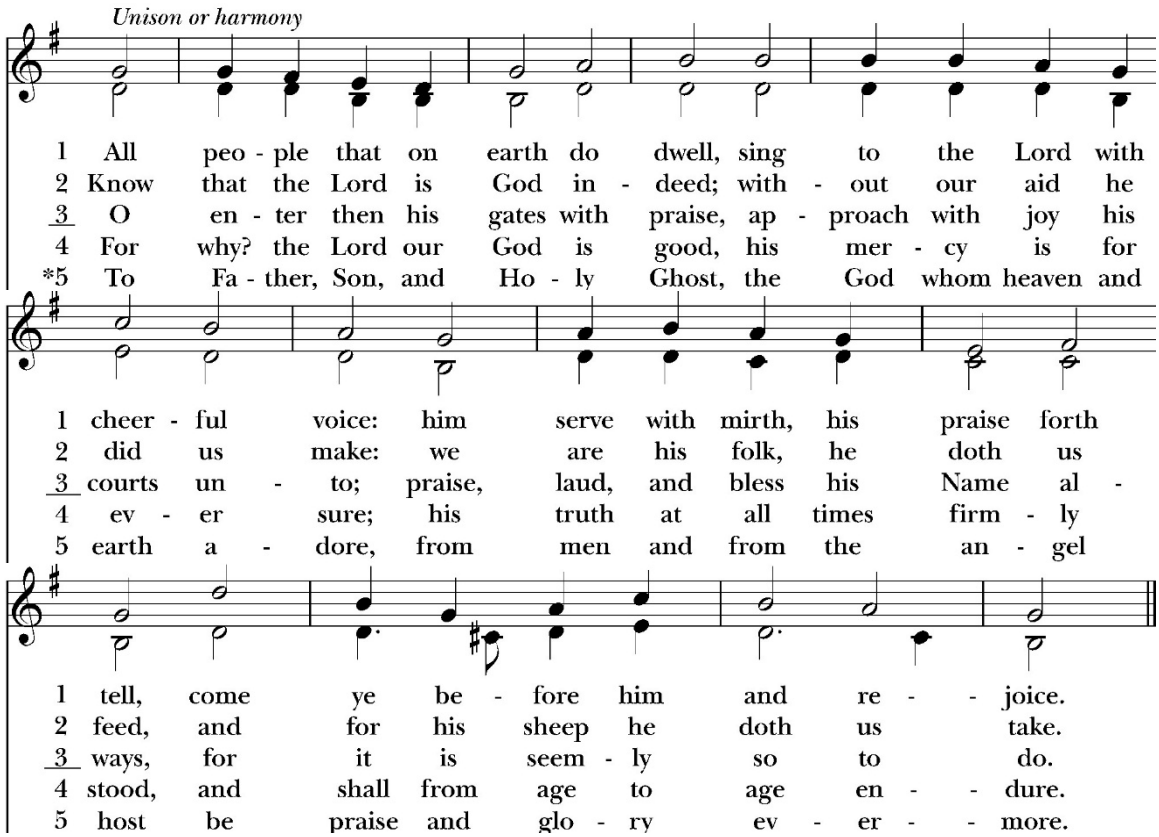
3Enter his gates with thanksgiving;
go into his courts with praise;
give thanks to him and call upon his Name.

4For the LORD is good;
his mercy is everlasting;
and his faithfulness endures from age to age.



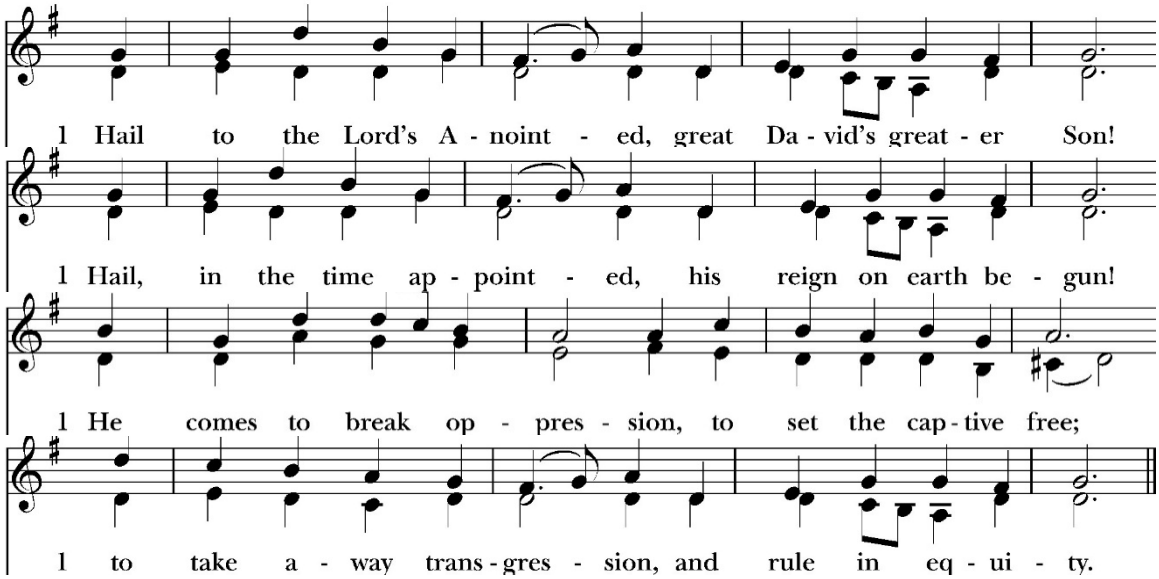
GRADUAL PSALM | 10:30 AM | PSALM 100 | All People That on Earth Do Dwell

The Hymnal 1982, No. 377



GOSPEL ACCLAMATION | Hail to the Lord's Anointed

All stand, as able. *The Hymnal 1982,* No. 616, Vs. 1



THE HOLY GOSPEL | Matthew 25:31-46 *NRSVUE*

All stand, as able.

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
Glory to you, O Christ.

[Jesus said,] 31"When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit
on the throne of his glory. 32All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people
one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, 33and he will put the sheep at
his right hand and the goats at the left. 34Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come,
you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of
the world; 35for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to
drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, 36I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick
and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' 37Then the righteous will answer him,
'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something
to drink? 38And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you
clothing? 39And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' 40And the king will
answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my
family you did it to me.' 41Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart
from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; 42for I was hungry and you gave
me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, 43I was a stranger and you did not
welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.'
44Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or
naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?' 45Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell
you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' 46And these will
go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

The Gospel of our Savior.
Praise to you, O Christ.

EL SANTO EVANGELIO | San Mateo 25:31-46 *Dios Habla Hoy*

Permanezca de pie, en la medida de lo posible.

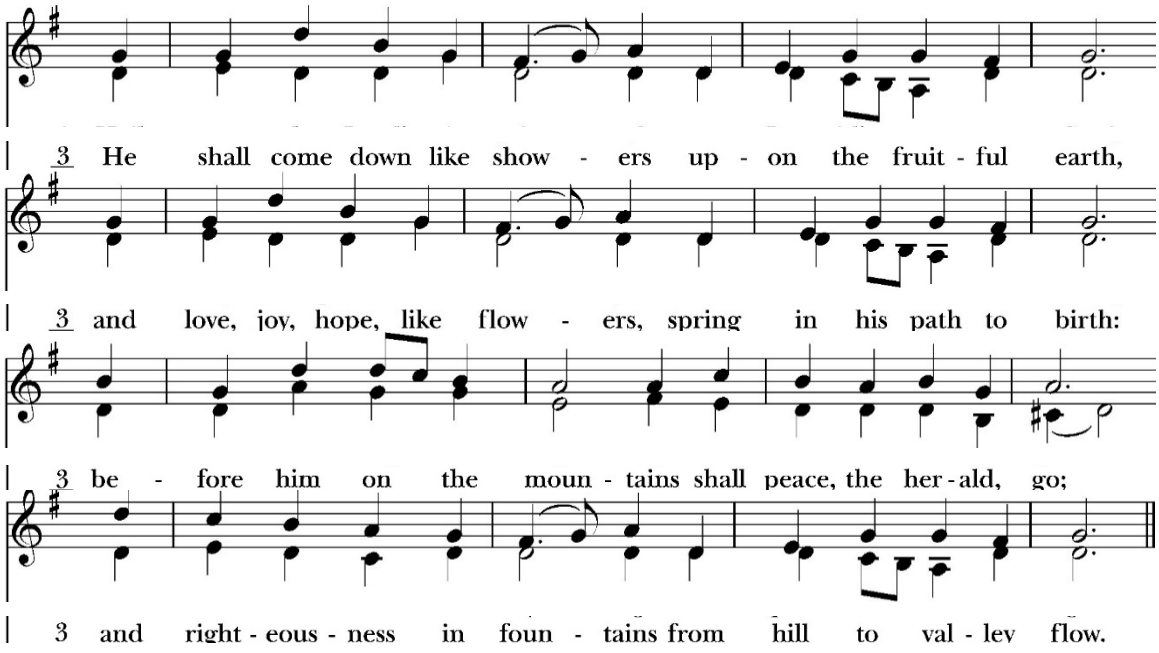
Santo Evangelio de Nuestro Señor Jesucristo según San Mateo.
¡Gloria a ti, Cristo Señor!

31 »Cuando el Hijo del hombre venga, rodeado de esplendor y de todos sus ángeles, se sentará en su
trono glorioso. 32 La gente de todas las naciones se reunirá delante de él, y él separará unos de otros,
como el pastor separa las ovejas de las cabras. 33 Pondrá las ovejas a su derecha y las cabras a su
izquierda. 34 Y dirá el Rey a los que estén a su derecha: "Vengan ustedes, los que han sido
bendecidos por mi Padre; reciban el reino que está preparado para ustedes desde que Dios hizo el
mundo. 35 Pues tuve hambre, y ustedes me dieron de comer; tuve sed, y me dieron de beber;
anduve como forastero, y me dieron alojamiento. 36 Estuve sin ropa, y ustedes me la dieron; estuve
enfermo, y me visitaron; estuve en la cárcel, y vinieron a verme." 37 Entonces los justos
preguntarán: "Señor, ¿cuándo te vimos con hambre, y te dimos de comer? ¿O cuándo te vimos con
sed, y te dimos de beber? 38 ¿O cuándo te vimos como forastero, y te dimos alojamiento, o sin ropa,
y te la dimos? 39 ¿O cuándo te vimos enfermo o en la cárcel, y fuimos a verte?" 40 El Rey les

contestará: "Les aseguro que todo lo que hicieron por uno de estos hermanos míos más humildes, por mí mismo lo hicieron."
41 »Luego el Rey dirá a los que estén a su izquierda: "Apártense de mí, los que merecieron la condenación; váyanse al fuego eterno preparado para el diablo y sus ángeles. 42 Pues tuve hambre, y ustedes no me dieron de comer; tuve sed, y no me dieron de beber; 43 anduve como forastero, y no me dieron alojamiento; sin ropa, y no me la dieron; estuve enfermo, y en la cárcel, y no vinieron a visitarme." 44 Entonces ellos le preguntarán: "Señor, ¿cuándo te vimos con hambre o con sed, o como forastero, o falto de ropa, o enfermo, o en la cárcel, y no te ayudamos?" 45 El Rey les contestará: "Les aseguro que todo lo que no hicieron por una de estas personas más humildes, tampoco por mí lo hicieron." 46 Ésos irán al castigo eterno, y los justos a la vida eterna.»

El Evangelio del Señor.
Te alabamos, Cristo Señor.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION | Hail to the Lord's Anointed
All stand, as able. *The Hymnal 1982,* No. 616, Vs. 3



THE SERMON | The Rev. Dr. Janet Waggoner

THE NICENE CREED

All stand, as able.

**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.**

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Celebrant Jesus the Christ, you reign in glory as our King, and to you we lift our voices in prayer, saying, "O God, hear our prayer."

That we may serve God with gladness and generosity, discovering his likeness in those who hunger and thirst, in those who are threadbare and in prison, and in those who are sick, lonely, depressed, sorrowful, and rejected; let us pray. **O God, hear our prayer.**

For the forgiveness of our sins, the times when we were blind to the needs of others, and deaf to their shout for assistance, that we may move beyond our selfish greed and love with the measure that Jesus loves humanity; let us pray. **O God, hear our prayer.**

That the leaders of our Church may receive the immeasurable greatness of God, seeking the holy way with every step they take, guiding the faithful and those who have strayed into the glorious dwelling place of divine love; let us pray. **O God, hear our prayer.**

For the sea and the dry land, molded by the Creator's imagination, that we may cherish the gifts they bring forth, and be good stewards of their fragile ecosystems; let us pray. **O God, hear our prayer.**

That the sin of division may be lifted from family life, and from wherever it fractures the bonds of affection or movements toward peace, that forgiving what is past and trusting in God's future, we may work to reveal the kingdom in our time; let us pray. **O God, hear our prayer.**

That the righteous dead may live into eternal life, and that those who have gone astray may receive the mercy of the Maker; let us pray. **O God, hear our prayer.**

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray this week for The Church of England.

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray this week for the The Table: University of Washington, Episcopal Campus Ministry, Underhill House, Seattle.

For deepening faithfulness within St. John | San Juan, our partner congregations at First United Methodist Church of Olympia, in Olympia Commons, and our diocesan family, that the gospel may increase our desire and commitment to true discipleship. Rejoicing in the reign of Christ over all creation, let us continue our prayers.

Brief pause for additional prayers.

Celebrant God, you shape our dreams. As we put our trust in you, may your hopes and desires be ours, and we your expectant people. **Amen.**

CONFESSION OF SIN

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen**.

THE PEACE

All stand, as able.

Celebrant The peace of our risen Christ be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND THANKSGIVINGS

BIRTHDAY PRAYER

Watch over
your *child/children,* O God, as their days increase, bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand, comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall, and in their heart may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their life. **Amen.**

ANNIVERSARY PRAYER

O God, send your blessing upon these your servants, that they may continue to so love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness, that their home may continue to be a haven of blessing and peace. **Amen.**

THE INVITATION

This is the table, not of the church but of Jesus Christ. It is made ready for those who love Jesus and who want to love him more. Come, you who have much faith and you who have little; you who have been here often and you who have not been for a long time or ever before. Come, you who have tried to follow and you who have failed. Come, not because the Church invites you; it is Christ, and he invites you to meet him here. (From the Iona Community, adapted.)

OFFERTORY | 8:00 AM
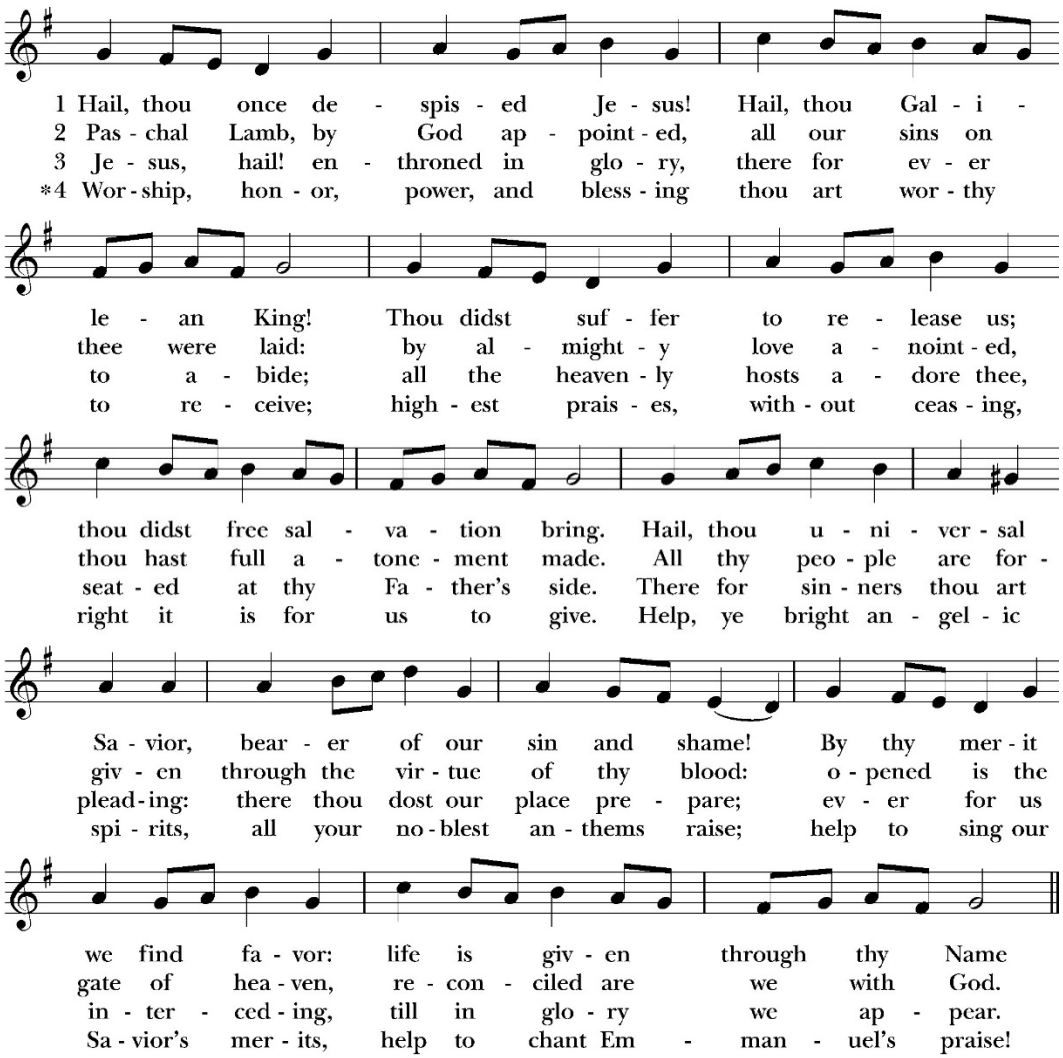
Celebrant All things come from thee, O God.

People **And of thine own have we given thee.**

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OFFERTORY ANTHEM | 10:30 AM | Deck Thyself, My Soul with Gladness
D. Wagner

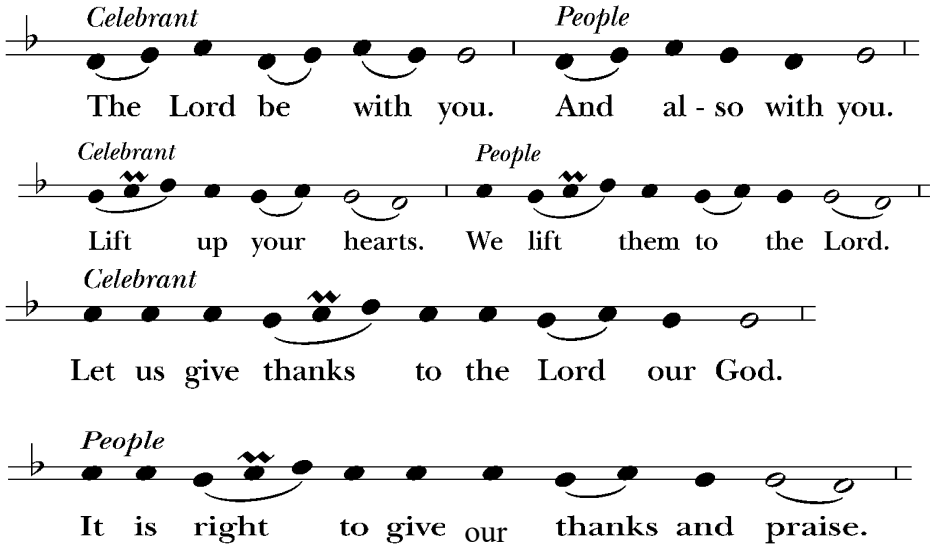
OFFERTORY HYMN | Hail Thou Once Despised Jesus
The Hymnal 1982, No. 495



BLESSING OF ANNUAL GIVING COVENANTS

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING | 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

The People remain standing, as able.



Celebrant It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy.

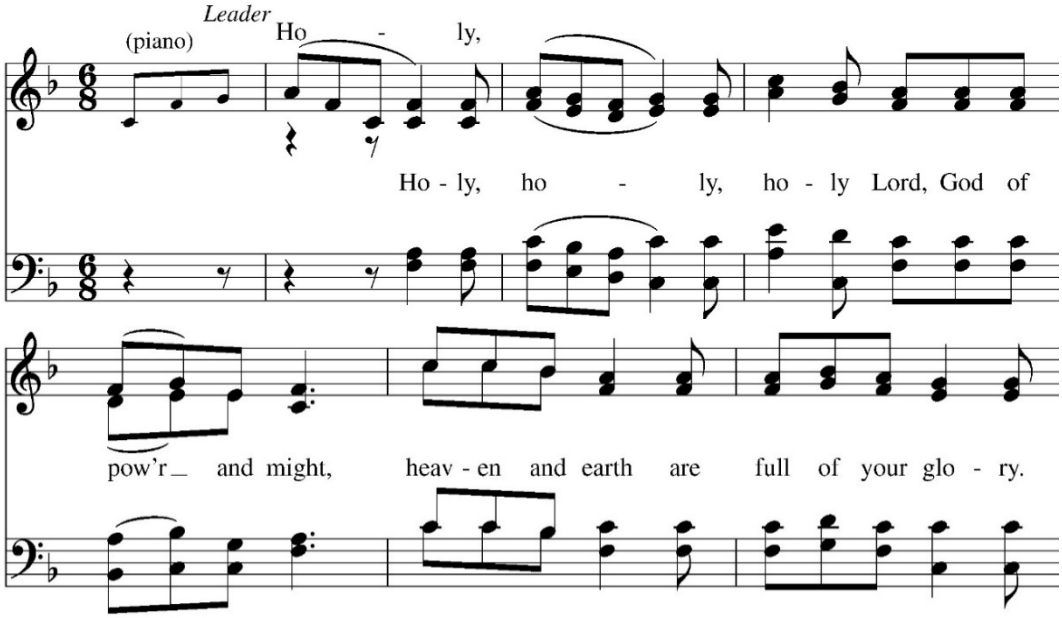
You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

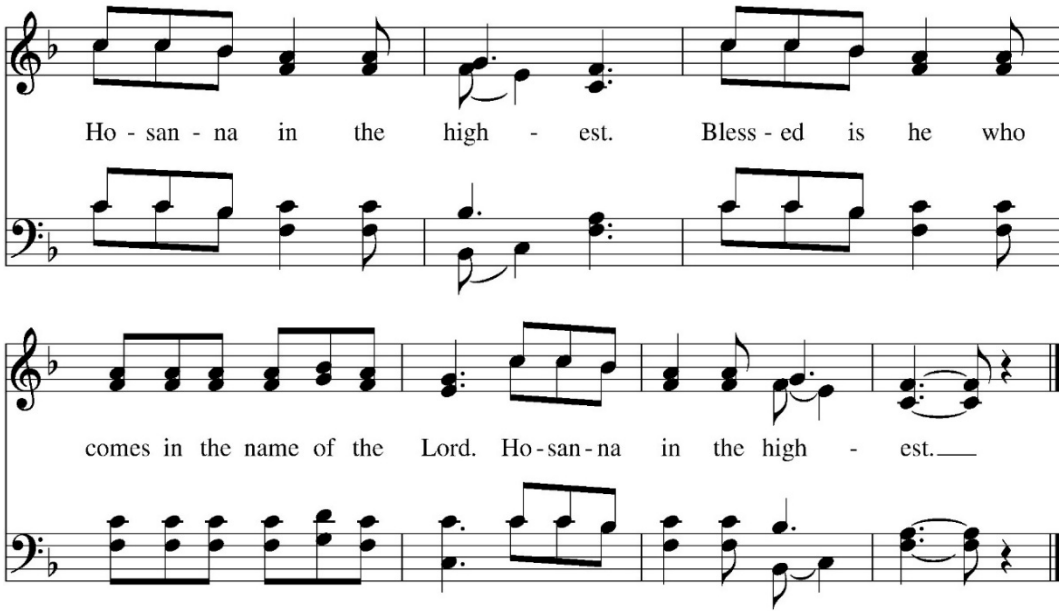
Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing (say):

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS | 8:00 AM

People **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,**
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS | 10:30 AM *Lift Every Voice and Sing II,* No. 256





Celebrant Blessed are you, gracious God creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love.

You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."
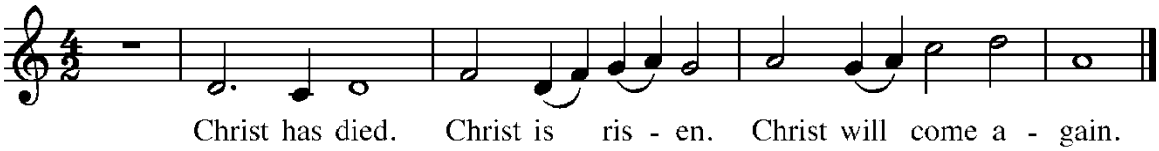
Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION | 8:00 AM

Celebrant & People

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

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION | 10:30 AM *Enriching Our Music I,* No. 24



Celebrant Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Saviour Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with Blessed Mary, Mother of our Savior, St. John and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.
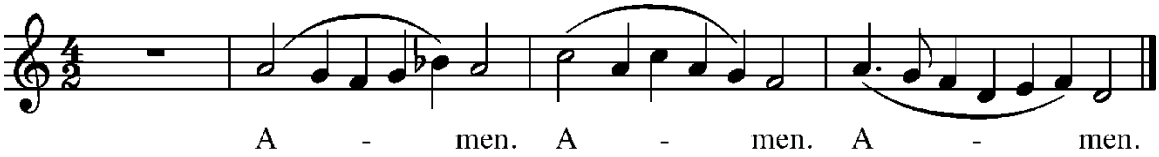
Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever.

THE GREAT AMEN | 8:00 AM

People **Blessed are you now and for ever. Amen.**

THE GREAT AMEN | 10:30 AM *Enriching Our Music I,* No. 25

Celebrant and People



THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Celebrant continues

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

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.

EL PADRE NUESTRO

El Celebrante continúa

Y ahora, como nuestro Salvador Cristo nos ha enseñado, nos atrevemos a decir:

Padre nuestro que estás en el cielo,
santificado sea tu Nombre.
venga tu reino, hágase tu voluntad,
en la tierra como en el cielo.
Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día.
Perdona nuestras ofensas,
como también nosotros perdonamos a los que nos ofenden.
No nos dejes caer en tentación
y líbranos del mal.
Porque tuyo es el reino,
tuyo es el poder, y tuya es la gloria,
ahora y por siempre. Amén.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD
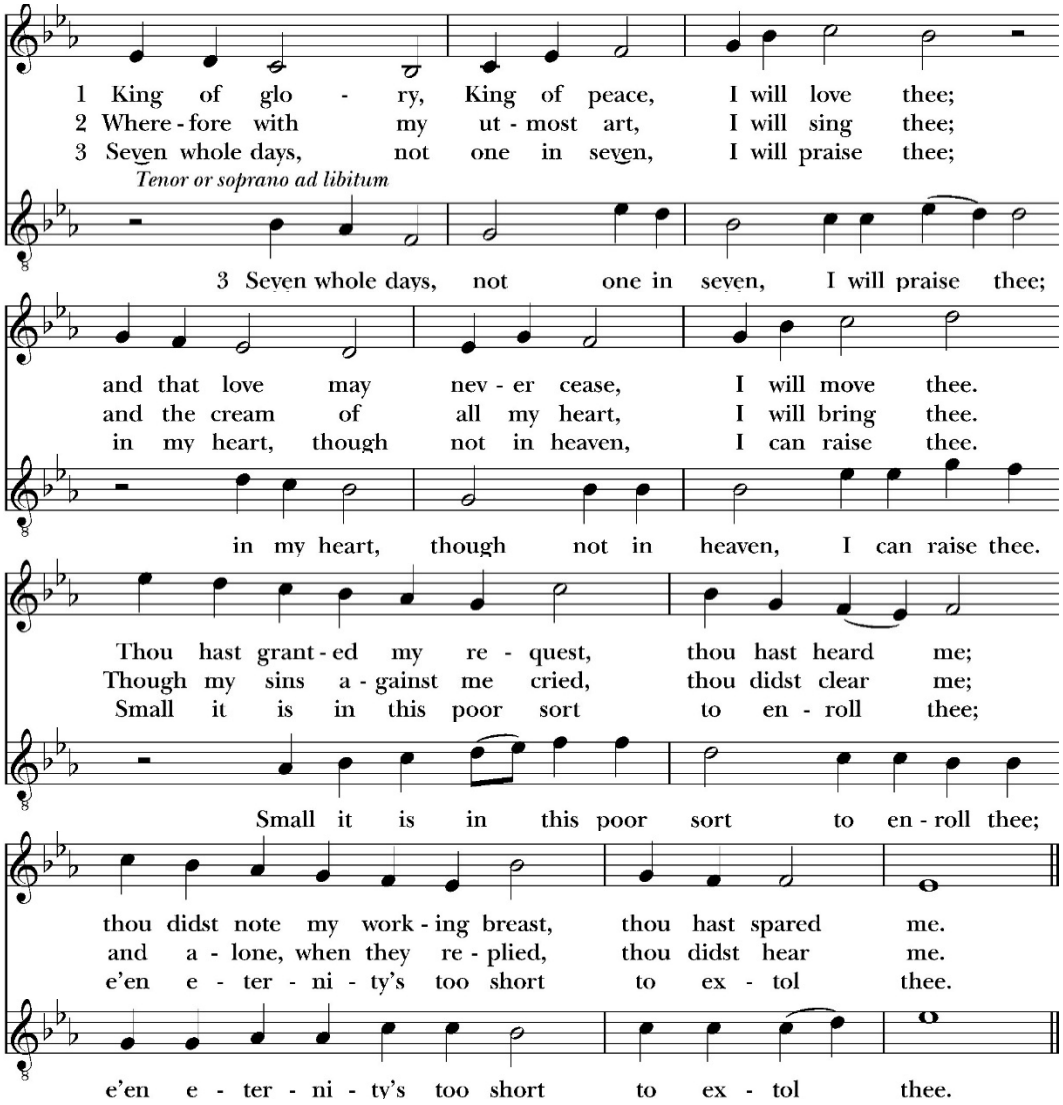
FRACTION ANTHEM

Celebrant Allelluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.
Holy Food for Holy People.

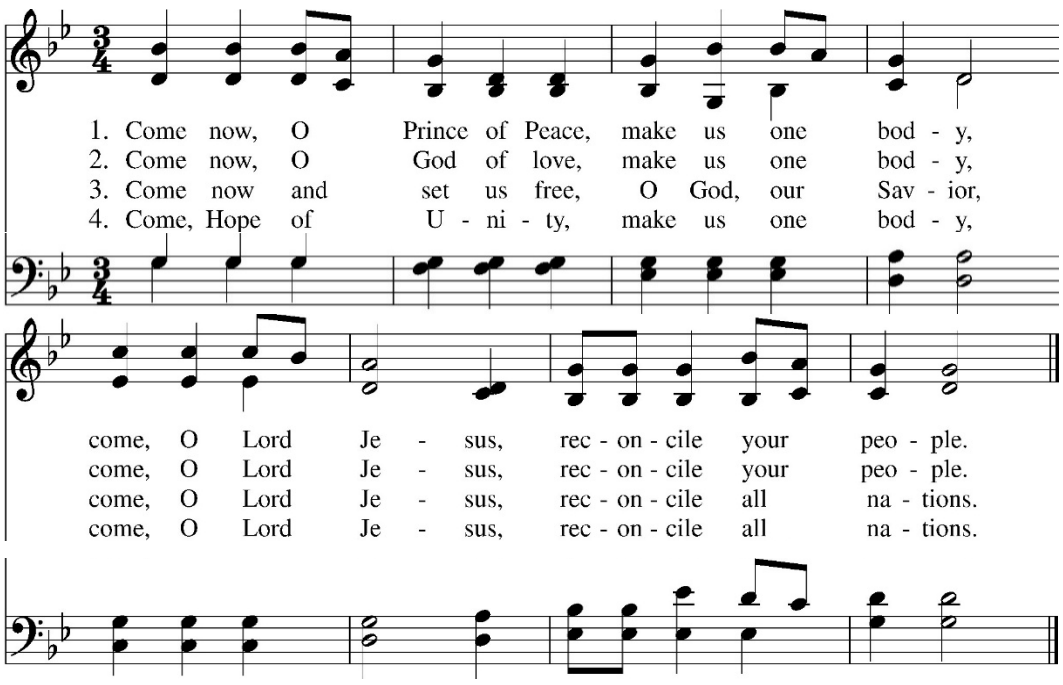
All are invited and encouraged to come forward to receive communion or a blessing. To receive the bread, extend your hands and a piece of bread will be placed in your palm. (gluten-free bread is available. Just say, "gluten-free".) To receive the wine, help the chalice bearer guide the chalice to your lips and sip. To maintain health and safety, we ask that bread not be dipped into the chalice. To receive a blessing, please cross your arms across your chest, and the priest will bless you.

COMMUNION HYMN | King of Glory, King of Peace *The Hymnal 1982*, No. 382
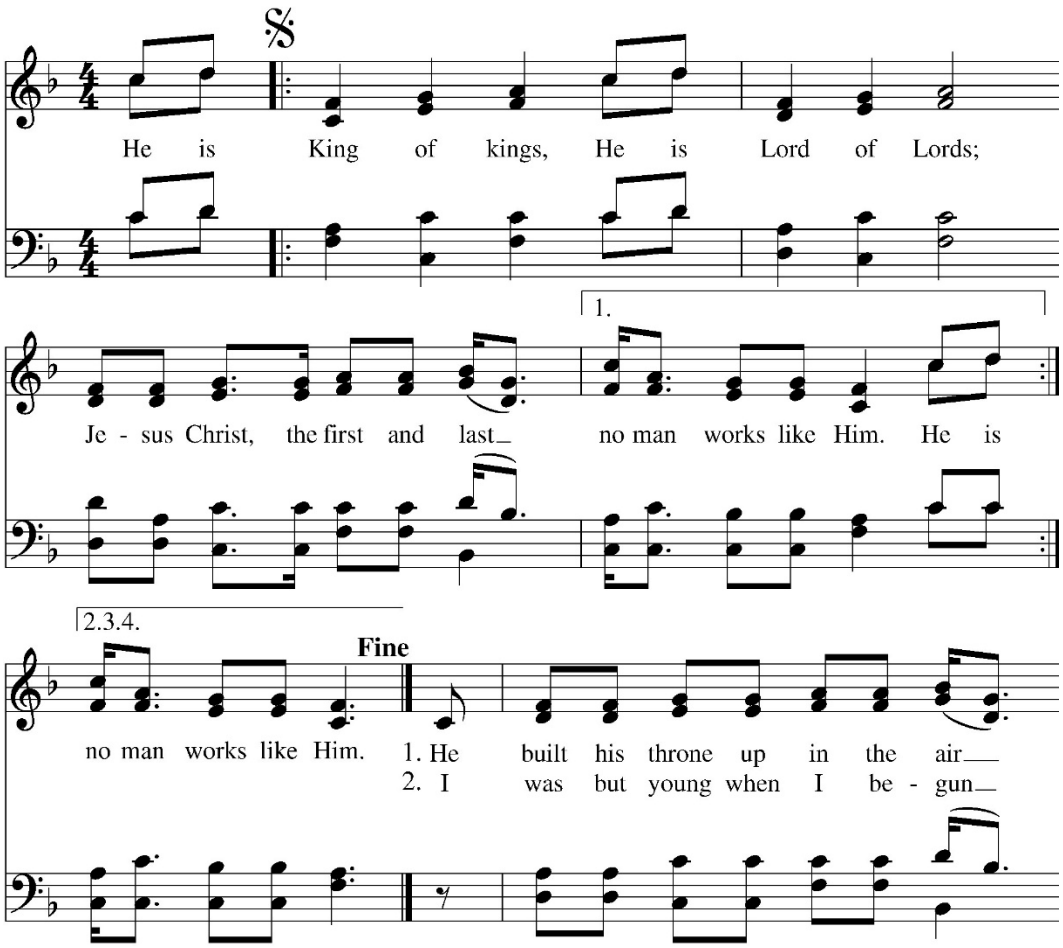


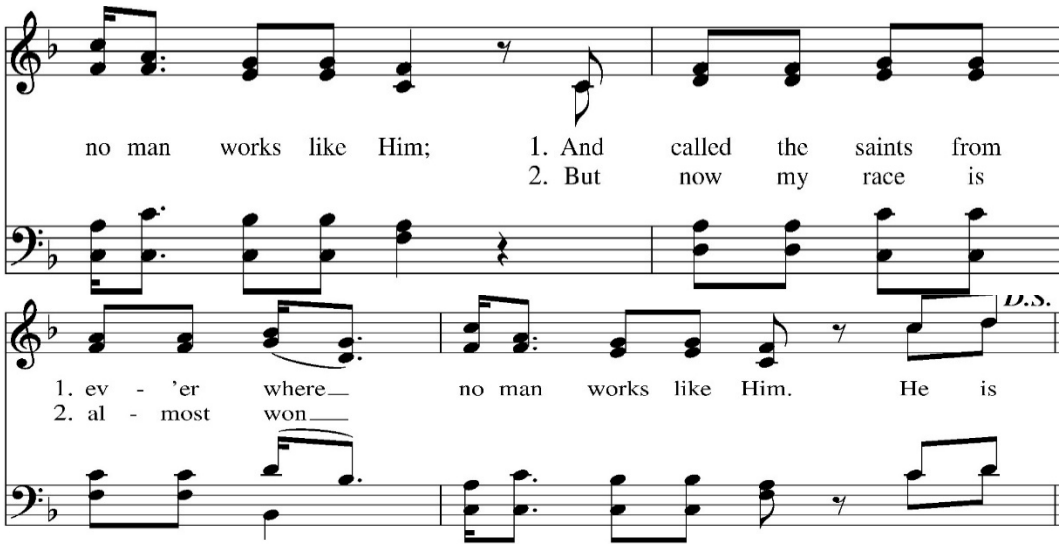
COMMUNION HYMN | Come Now, O Prince of Peace

Wonder Love and Praise 1982, No. 795



COMMUNION HYMN | He Is King of Kings Lift Every Voice and Sing II 96





SENDING EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

Celebrant In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood. With whom will you share this communion?

Eucharistic Visitors (they say the names of those they will visit)

All **We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread one cup.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Celebrant Let us pray.

God of abundance,
you have fed us
with the bread of life and cup of salvation;
you have united us
with Christ and one another;
and you have made us one
with all your people in heaven and on earth.

Now send us forth
in the power of your Spirit,
that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world
and continue for ever
in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

THE BLESSING

Celebrant May the God of Life be your guide on your daily path, your refuge in moments of uncertainty, and your rest in times of weariness.

May the God of Life strengthen you when you feel weak, comfort you when you are sad, and embrace you when you feel alone.

May the God of Life, who loves you and knows you, forever enfold you in their Motherly tenderness.

And the blessing of our loving, liberating, life-giving God be upon you and remain with you now and always. **Amen.**
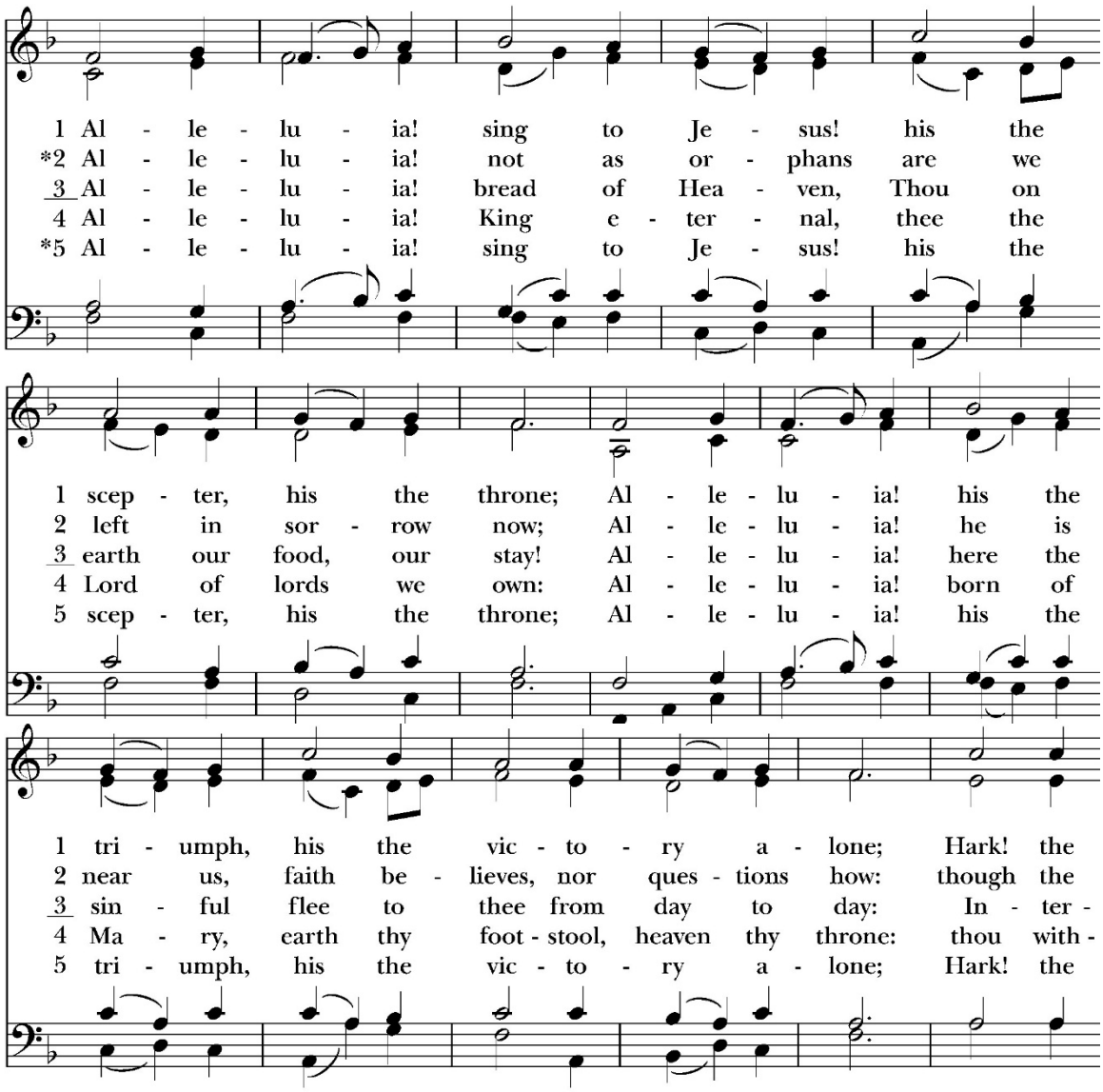
Que el Dios de la Vida, sea tu guía en el camino de cada día, sea tu refugio en momentos de inseguridad sea tu descanso en tiempos de fatiga.
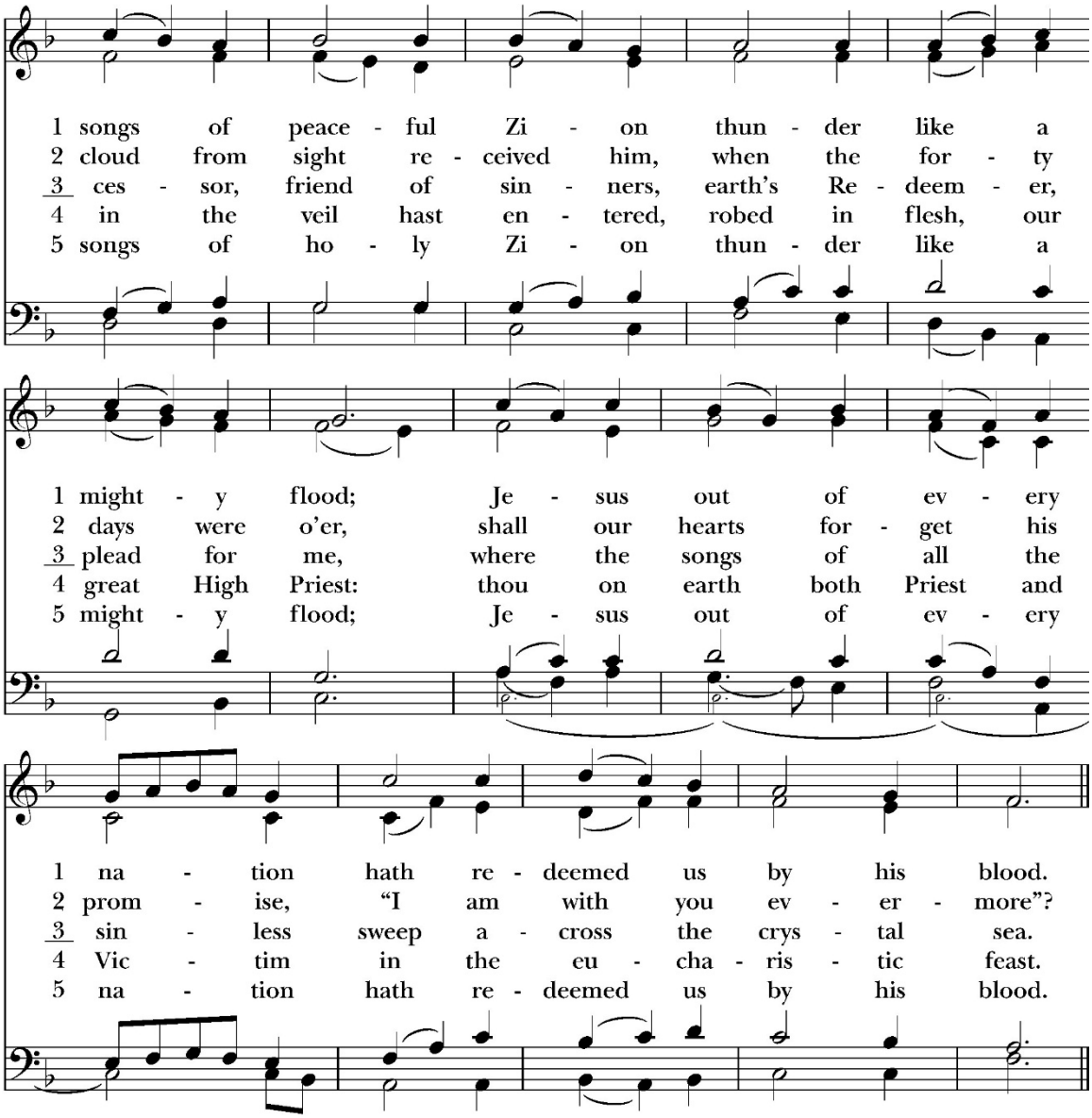
Que el Dios de la Vida, te fortalezca cuando te sientas débil, te consuele cuando estés triste y te abrace cuando te sientas sola.

Que el Dios de la Vida, que te quiere y te conoce, te cubra con su ternura de Madre por siempre.

Y que la bendición de nuestro Dios amoroso, liberador y dador de vida esté contigo y permanezca contigo ahora y siempre. **Amén.**

CLOSING HYMN | Alleluia! Sing to Jesus *The Hymnal 1982*, No. 460





DISMISSAL

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
People **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE | Improvisation on Hyfrydol

OUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR:

Marie, Catalina, Carla Caldwell, Mary Knotts, Shirley DeBoer, Vaughn H., Anne-Marie Larson-Sweeney, Leah, Helen and family, Luciana and Emilio, Stephanie Reese

When a prayer request is submitted, names remain on the prayer list for three weeks.
If a person needs our continued prayers, please resubmit their name. Thank you.

WE PRAY FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS IN THE ARMED SERVICES:

Ruby Edwards, Christopher Hagen, Brett Johnson, Jon Kidder, Simon Kidder, Jessie Leonard, Lissy Slezak, Richie Raini, Ross Hussman, Anne McClain, Charles Lewis

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

St. John | San Juan honors and acknowledges the indigenous peoples who have stewarded this land since time immemorial and who still inhabit the area today, the Steh-Chass Band of the Squaxin Island Tribe.

WORSHIP LEADERS

The Rev. Dr. Janet C. Waggoner, *Presider*

Eucharistic Minister:
Se Jun Yu (8:00 am)
Radigan Lander (10:30 am)

Lector:
Tim Tayne (8:00 am)
Kathie Deviny (10:30 am)

Music: Steve O'Connor, *Music Director*

Ushers:
Fawn Hacker
Ginny Dugaw
Michelle Nanney

Bulletin:
Christie Guydish

Altar Guild Team:

Sue Andersen
Anne Hall
Mindy Chambers
Lin Hampton
Kathryn Ness
Larrel O'Keefe
Amy Russell
Jacob Russell
Nicki Weekes

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

The Parish Office will be closed from **Thursday, November 26, to Monday, November 30**. It will reopen on **Tuesday, December 1**.

WORSHIP TODAY

WE ARE SO GLAD YOU ARE HERE! Please share your name and contact information with us using the yellow cards in the pews. You may also use the cards to share a prayer request. Please put your completed cards in the offering plate or hand them to an usher.

KID CENTER

Childcare and faith development activities for kids are available during the 10:30 a.m. worship service in the KID CENTER at the end of the long hallway, past the restrooms and library. Signs will direct you. Children are supervised by paid, certified staff.

• Childcare is available for babies and toddlers.
• Supervised activities are available for children three and older, including Magna tiles, magnetic building cubes, Playdough, painting, drawing, and a cooperative board game.

Parents/guardians must complete a registration form for each child, including a cell phone number should you need to be contacted during the service.
Snacks are available for children in the Kid Center. Please list any food restrictions on the registration form. If you have any questions, please contact Sue Andersen at (360) 586-6576 or Sue@stjohnsoly.org.

KIDS IN CHURCH

If your child feels more comfortable remaining with you during worship, great! Busy bags with activities and snacks for the kiddos are available on the hooks behind the table where you picked up your bulletin. If you wish, they may use the carpeted area in the sanctuary to play, wiggle, snack, etc. during the service. Please return the busy bags at the end of the service.

SUPPORT THE CONCERT SERIES BY BECOMING A MUSIC PATRON!

The St. John | San Juan Episcopal Church's Don and Hope Duncan 2026-27 Concert Series celebrates St. John | San Juan's commitment to building community by welcoming all through its doors.

The legacy of Don and Hope Duncan, long-time SJSJ choir members, the Concert Series is supported by patrons of a music society named in the honor of the Duncans.

Music Society patrons receive exclusive benefits, including meet-the-artist gatherings before each concert, reserved parking and preferred seating.

If you are interested in becoming a patron, please contact Steve O'Connor, SJSJ's Director of Music, at steve@stjohnsoly.org

TODAY! 3:00 pm



seattle pro musica

Support our music ministry online at www.stjohnsoly.org/music and click "Give" or scan the QR code.

SAVE THE DATE: THANKSGIVING POTLUCK

THANKSGIVING DAY - Thursday, November 26, 2026
Hosted by Rev. Janet, Chuck Moore, Steve O'Connor, Fr. Jaime and friends . . .

Arrive around 1:30 pm / Dinner at 2:00 pm

Please sign up in the Parish Hall or RSVP by phone 360-352-8527 or email anna@stjohnsoly.org





WELCOME TO #MOVINGCHURCH

#MovingChurch is the place to look for news on our move to a new space in August 2027, including:

- **Answers to your many, many questions, when we have the answers.**
- **Events, including tour opportunities at First United Methodist Church in Olympia, our new physical location.**
- **Updates on packing and moving plans.**
- **Timelines, calendars, etc.**

QUESTIONS about #MovingChurch?
Contact Rev. Janet at janet@stjohnsoly.org or Mindy Chambers at mindyc@orcalink.com. If we have the answer, we will share it with you. If we do not yet have the answer, we will add your question to the list of questions to be answered as we move forward.

THURSTON COUNTY GREEN BAG

We will collect and bless our Green Bags on Sunday, December 6, 2026. This will be the last collection for 2026. Let's make it our biggest ever. If you have not yet picked up your green bag, there are still plenty on the table in the parish hall. This is the time of year when extra food is needed. Please give what you can.

Staples that are always in need include: Peanut butter, canned chicken, tuna fish, individual canned fruit cups, individual oatmeal cups. The Outreach Ministry team looks forward to an overflowing of bags at the altar on Sunday, December 6, 2026. Thank you for your generosity. -Outreach Ministry Team

WEDNESDAY EUCHARIST/ MORNING PRAYER

First, Third & Fifth Wednesday, Morning Prayer **(Online only)**
Second and Fourth Wednesday, Eucharist **(In person, in the SJSJ small chapel)**

Sign up to receive our newsletter to be reminded of Wednesday services or follow the Zoom link: https://zoom.us/s/94140524588 or scan the QR code to join.

CENTERING PRAYER BOOK CLUB

The Centering Prayer book club is going back to its original time of 10-11:45am on the first Thursday of the month.



On December 3 we will discuss pp. 55-76. Our weekly Centering Prayer "sit" will follow.
If you would like to learn about Centering Prayer, or feel it's time for a refresher course, please join us!



CHRISTMAS FAIRE COMING UP
DONATIONS NEEDED!

Save the date! On December 5, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., the SJSJ Christmas Faire will feature hand-crafted gifts and tasty treats, all made locally, with love!

We welcome hundreds of people from the community to this event each year, and you can help make it a success.

Bakers and candy-makers, our Faire bake sale needs donations as well. Cookies, candy, festive breads and other holiday treats are needed. Small quantities (six cookies rather than a dozen; one or two cupcakes, rather than a whole cake, etc.) attractively wrapped seem to sell the best. Please label any items that include nuts. Gluten-free items also are most-welcome. A signup sheet will be available in the Parish Hall soon!

Items can be dropped off at the church on December 4 from noon until 4 p.m. and between 7:30 and 8:30 a.m. the day of the sale. Contact Kathryn Ness at **krness16@comcast.net** if you have questions about the bake sale.

Set-up for the Faire begins at noon Friday, December 4, and a few hands are needed until about 3 p.m. to make quick work of that.

Vicki Focke, at **theodorefocke@comcast.net**, is available to answer other questions about the Faire.

PARISH LIBRARY HAS FREEBIES
TAKING DONATIONS FOR CHRISTMAS FAIRE

In preparation for our move, the SJSJ library is offering "'free for the taking" items on the cart and magazine rack in the Parish Hall.

We also need to start restricting donations. If you have a book published in the past five years which has a wide readership, we'd love to receive it.

For the upcoming Christmas Faire on December 5, the library ministry is accepting recently published children's books either new or in great condition. We'll also have holiday ornaments for sale and welcome donations. You can drop them off in the SJSJ library.

ADVENT & CHRISTMAS 2026

HAPPY NEW YEAR! November 29 is the beginning of the new year in our church calendar. Our ears perk up and our hearts skip a beat, as we encounter God in new ways and catch fresh glimpses of God renewing our lives and our world.

New this year at St. John | San Juan is a family spirituality packet, including advent candles, scripture readings, prayers, and activities for a holy Advent that will prepare us for a joyful Christmas. Families and grandparents, please pick one up at the usher's table when you enter the sanctuary.

Sunday, November 29, first Sunday in Advent, lighting the candle of hope. This purple candle represents the expectation and hope of the Messiah's coming.

- 8 a.m. Holy Eucharist with silence for reflection
- 9:30 Adult Forum, discussion of "The Rebirthing of God: Christianity's Struggle for a New Beginning"
- 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist with children's moment; childcare and Sunday School available
- 6 p.m. San Juan Community Holy Eucharist

Sunday, December 6, second Sunday in Advent, lighting the candle of peace. This purple candle symbolizes Mary and Joseph's journey to Bethlehem and spiritual preparation for Jesus' birth.

- 8 a.m. Holy Eucharist with silence for reflection
- 9:30 Adult Forum, discussion of "The Rebirthing of God"
- 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist, children's moment, childcare and Sunday School. Special appearance by St. Nicholas with treats for all!
- 6 p.m. San Juan Community Holy Eucharist; Fellowship supper provided after worship

Sunday, December 13, third Sunday in Advent, lighting the candle of joy. This pink candle marks a shift toward rejoicing as Christmas draws near.

- 8 a.m. Holy Eucharist with silence for reflection
- 9:30 Adult Forum, discussion of "The Rebirthing of God"
- 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist, children's moment, childcare and Sunday School
- 6 p.m. San Juan Community Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, commemorating the apparitions of the Virgin Mary to St. Juan Diego in Mexico in the 1500s. Eucharist with mariachis and potluck supper

ADVENT & CHRISTMAS 2026, Cont.

Sunday, December 20, fourth Sunday in Advent, lighting the candle of love. This purple candle represents the message of the angels and God's love manifest through Christ.

- 8 a.m. Holy Eucharist with silence for reflection
- 9:30 Adult Forum, discussion of "The Rebirthing of God"
- 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist, children's moment, childcare and Sunday School
- 6 p.m. San Juan Community Holy Eucharist; distribution of Christmas baskets

Christmas Eve, Thursday, December 24. We light the white center candle, the Christ Candle, symbolizing Jesus as the pure Light of the World.

- 4:30 p.m. Family service with impromptu Christmas pageant, stars and candles, and Holy Eucharist
- 10 p.m. Hymn sing
- 10:30 p.m. Choral Holy Eucharist with special music, stars and candles

Christmas Day, Friday, December 25

- 10 a.m. Holy Eucharist with Christmas Carols

All services will be live-streamed at www.stjohnsoly.org with the exception of the San Juan Community Sunday worship services.



ALTAR GUILD CHRISTMAS FLOWERS



The St. John | San Juan Altar Guild decorates for Christmas services with beautiful poinsettias paid for by donations in memory of loved ones or in thanksgiving for a blessing in your life.

You can contribute toward the poinsettias and support the Altar Guild, which pays its yearly expenditures from donations for Christmas and Easter flowers.
Donation envelopes will be in the Sunday bulletins and available on the ushers' tables as you enter the sanctuary beginning Sunday, November 29. You may put your donation (cash or check) in the envelope and put in the offertory plate.

Also, online donations are accepted at www.stjohnsoly.org. Click on the Poinsettia flower on our home page or scan the QR Code below. Indicate in the memo line to whom your donation is in honor or memory of.
Please return the order form or complete your online gift by Dec. 16 so the names of all donors can be included in Christmas worship bulletins.

If you are writing a check, please make it payable to St. John | San Juan Episcopal Church and note "Christmas Flowers" on the memo line.

To return an order form to the church, drop it off in the office, put it in the offertory plate at any worship service or mail it to:

St. John | San Juan Episcopal Church
P.O. Box 977
Olympia, WA 98507

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Tuesday through Friday
10:00 am to 2:00 pm
360-352-8527

**For pastoral emergencies, please contact the Rev. Janet by text or phone at 360-358-2041 or the Rev. Jaime Case by text or phone at 360-606-4285.*

Sunday – November 22
3:00 pm Seattle Pro Musica Concert
6:00 pm Worship in Spanish

Monday – November 23
10:00 am Monday Morning Crafters (Parish Hall)
6:00 pm Capital City AA (Parish Hall)

Tuesday – November 24
10:30 am Staff Meeting (Guild Room)
1:00 pm Executive Committee (Zoom)
2:00 pm BRIDGE Team with FUMCO (Guild Room)
6:00 pm Nar-Anon Meeting (Guild Room)

Wednesday – November 25
7:00 am Wednesday Morning Eucharist
https://zoom.us/s/94140524588
4:00 pm Guided Conversations (Guild Room)
6:00 pm Plum Village Meditation Group (Guild Room)
6:30 pm Choir Practice

Thursday – November 26
12:00 pm Centering Prayer (Guild Room)
2:00 pm Parish Thanksgiving Potluck
6:00 pm Capital City AA (Parish Hall)
6:00 pm Capital Improvement Al-Anon (Sanctuary)
6:00 pm Alateen (Library)

Friday – November 27

Saturday – November 28
9:00 am Saturday Men's Group (Chapel)
12:30 pm Accompaniment Workshops and Admin Meetings

Please note that voice mail messages left on the church office telephone after 2:00 pm will not be picked up until the following day at 10:00 am. Messages left on Friday after 2:00 pm will not be picked up until 10:00 am on Tuesday.

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