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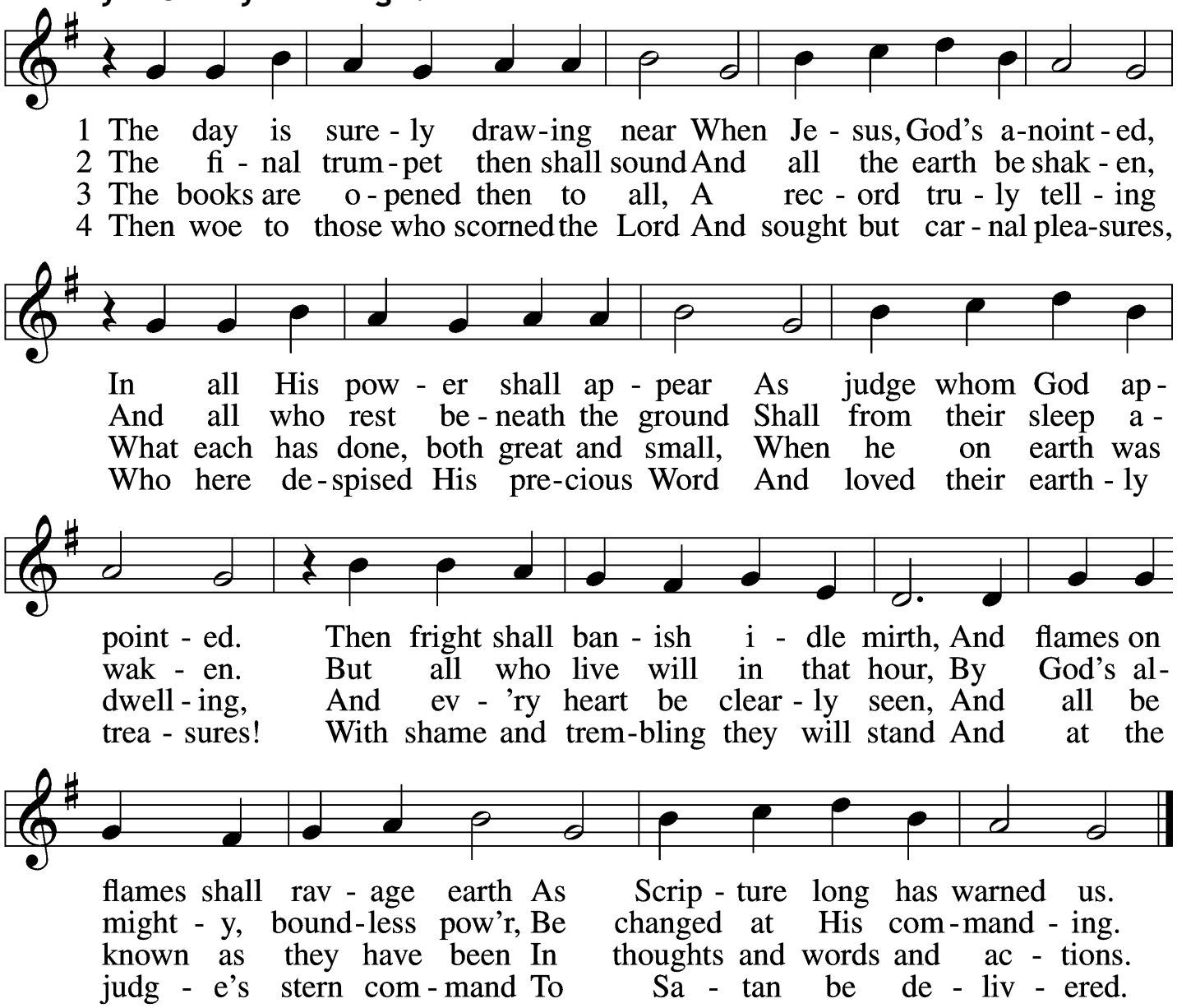
Last Sunday of the Church Year *November 22, 2026*

Confession and Absolution

508 The Day Is Surely Drawing Near



5 My Savior paid the debt I owe
And for my sin was smitten;
Within the Book of Life I know
My name has now been written.
I will not doubt, for I am free,
And Satan cannot threaten me;
There is no condemnation!

6 May Christ our intercessor be
And through His blood and merit
Read from His book that we are free
With all who life inherit.
Then we shall see Him face to face,
With all His saints in that blest place
Which He has purchased for us.

7 O Jesus Christ, do not delay,
But hasten our salvation;
We often tremble on our way
In fear and tribulation.
O hear and grant our fervent plea:
Come, mighty judge, and set us free
From death and ev'ry evil.

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Stand

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

Invocation

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

Exhortation *LSB 151*

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

Confession of Sins *LSB 151*

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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 justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

Absolution *LSB 151*

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✢ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

Service of the Word

Introit *Psalm 39:4–5, 7–8; antiphon: Isaiah 35:10*

P The ransomed of the LORD shall return and come to Zion with singing;

C **everlasting joy shall be upon their heads.**

P They shall obtain gladness and joy,

C **and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.**

P O LORD, make me know my end and what is the measure of my days;

C **let me know how fleeting I am!**

P Behold, you have made my days a few handbreadths,

and my lifetime is as nothing before you.

C **Surely all mankind stands as a mere breath!**

P And now, O Lord, for what do I wait?

C **My hope is in you.**

P Deliver me from all my transgressions.

C **Do not make me the scorn of the fool!**

Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

P The ransomed of the LORD shall return and come to Zion with singing;

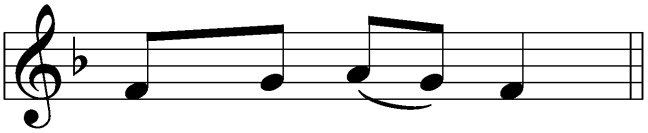
C **everlasting joy shall be upon their heads.**

P They shall obtain gladness and joy,

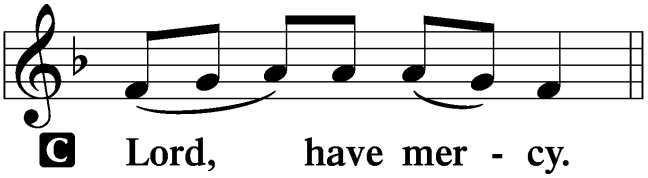
C **and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.**

Kyrie *LSB 152*

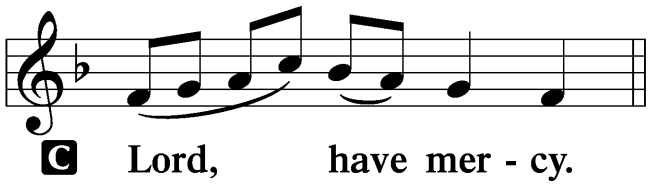
A In peace let us pray to the Lord.



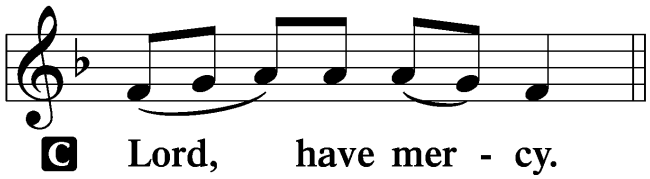
A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



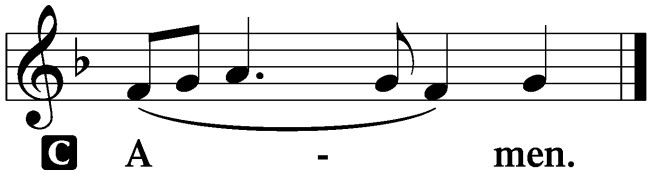
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

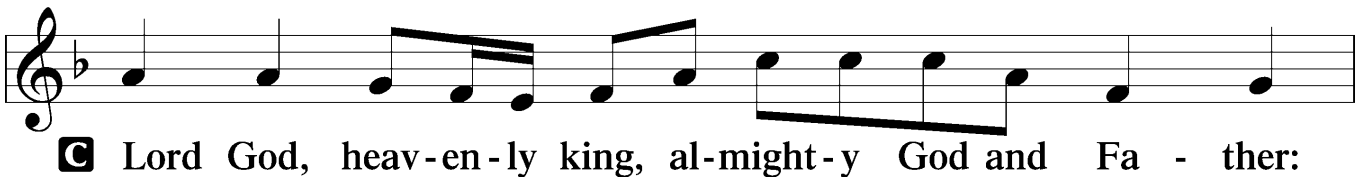


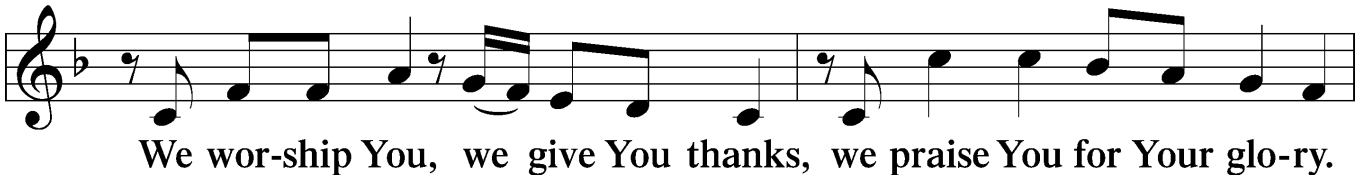
A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

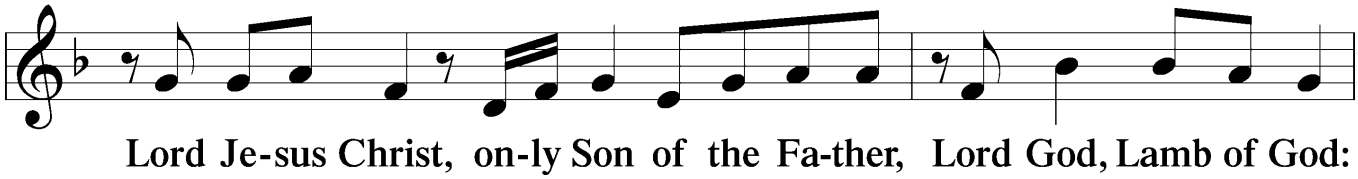


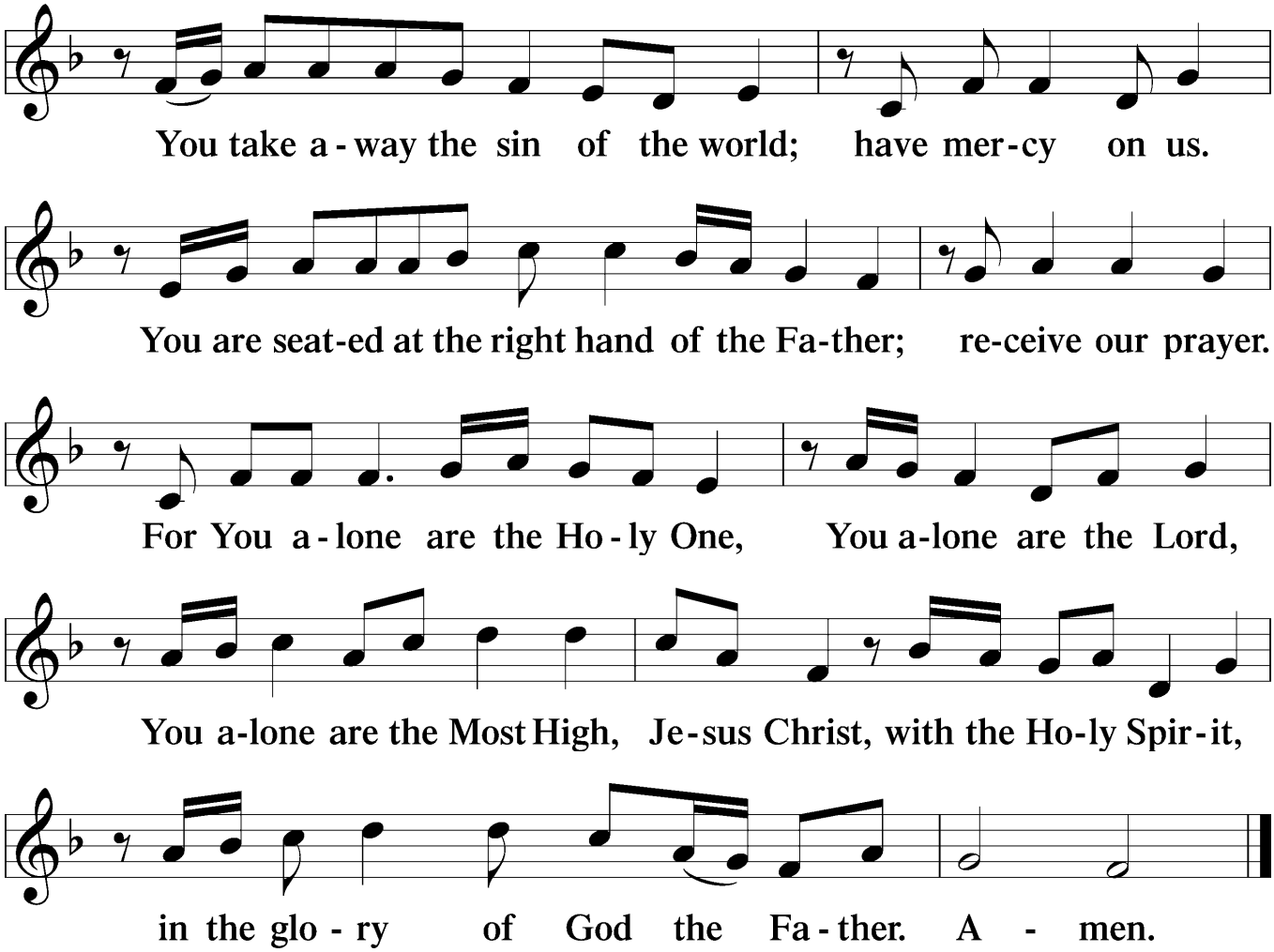
Gloria in Excelsis *LSB 154*

A Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.









Salutation and Collect of the Day

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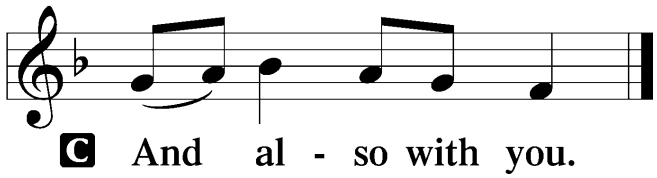
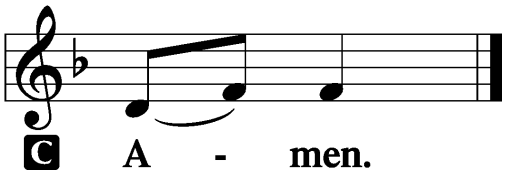


P Let us pray.

C **O Lord, absolve Your people from their offenses that, from the bonds of our sins which by reason of our frailty we have brought upon ourselves, we may be delivered by Your bountiful goodness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.**



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Old Testament Reading *Psalm 126*

[1]When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion,
we were like those who dream.
[2]Then our mouth was filled with laughter,
and our tongue with shouts of joy;
then they said among the nations,
"The LORD has done great things for them."
[3]The LORD has done great things for us; we are glad.

[4]Restore our fortunes, O LORD,
like streams in the Negeb!
[5]Those who sow in tears
shall reap with shouts of joy!
[6]He who goes out weeping,
bearing the seed for sowing,
shall come home with shouts of joy,
bringing his sheaves with him.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle *Revelation 22:12–21*

[12]"Behold, I am coming soon, bringing my recompense with me, to repay everyone for what he has done. [13]I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end."

[14]Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they may have the right to the tree of life and that they may enter the city by the gates. [15]Outside are the dogs and sorcerers

and the sexually immoral and murderers and idolaters, and everyone who loves and practices falsehood.

16 “I, Jesus, have sent my angel to testify to you about these things for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star.”

17 The Spirit and the Bride say, “Come.” And let the one who hears say, “Come.” And let the one who is thirsty come; let the one who desires take the water of life without price.

18 I warn everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book: if anyone adds to them, God will add to him the plagues described in this book, 19 and if anyone takes away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God will take away his share in the tree of life and in the holy city, which are described in this book.

20 He who testifies to these things says, “Surely I am coming soon.” Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

21 The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all. Amen.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

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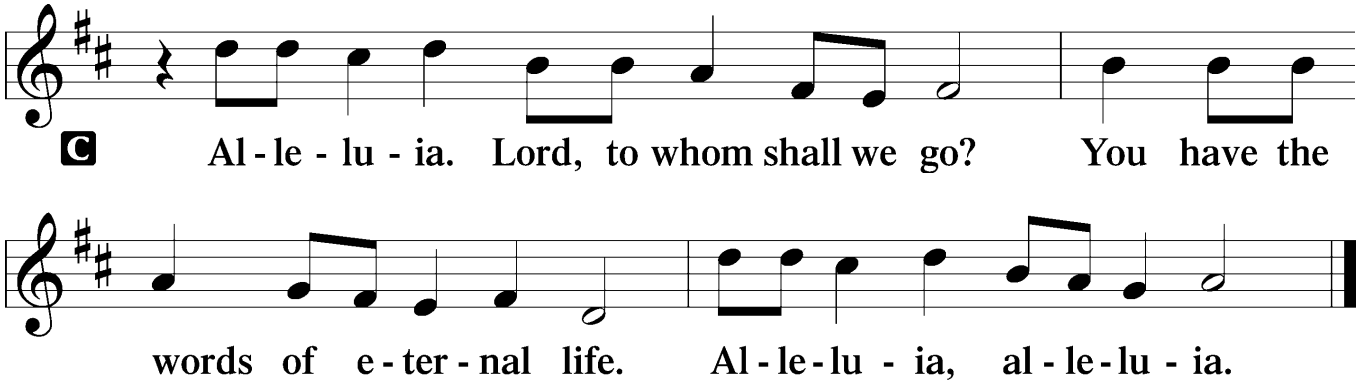
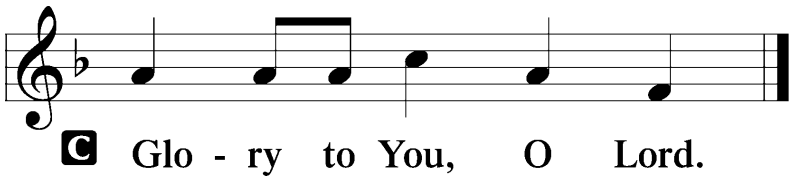
Alleluia and Verse *LSB 156*



Holy Gospel *Matthew 25:13–30*

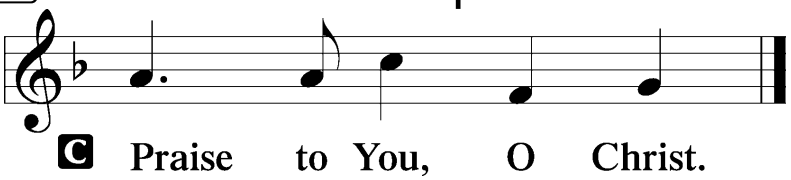
℗ The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-fifth chapter.



13Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the
hour.
14"For it will be like a man going on a journey, who called
his servants and entrusted to them his property. 15To one he
gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each
according to his ability. Then he went away. 16He who had
received the five talents went at once and traded with them,
and he made five talents more. 17So also he who had the
two talents made two talents more. 18But he who had
received the one talent went and dug in the ground and hid
his master's money. 19Now after a long time the master of
those servants came and settled accounts with them. 20And
he who had received the five talents came forward, bringing
five talents more, saying, 'Master, you delivered to me five
talents; here I have made five talents more.' 21His master
said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant. You have
been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into
the joy of your master.' 22And he also who had the two
talents came forward, saying, 'Master, you delivered to me
two talents; here I have made two talents more.' 23His
master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant.
You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much.
Enter into the joy of your master.' 24He also who had
received the one talent came forward, saying, 'Master, I

knew you to be a hard man, reaping where you did not sow,
and gathering where you scattered no seed, [25]so I was
afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here
you have what is yours.' [26]But his master answered him,
'You wicked and slothful servant! You knew that I reap
where I have not sowed and gather where I scattered no
seed? [27]Then you ought to have invested my money with
the bankers, and at my coming I should have received what
was my own with interest. [28]So take the talent from him and
give it to him who has the ten talents. [29]For to everyone who
has will more be given, and he will have an abundance. But
from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken
away. [30]And cast the worthless servant into the outer
darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing
of teeth.'

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



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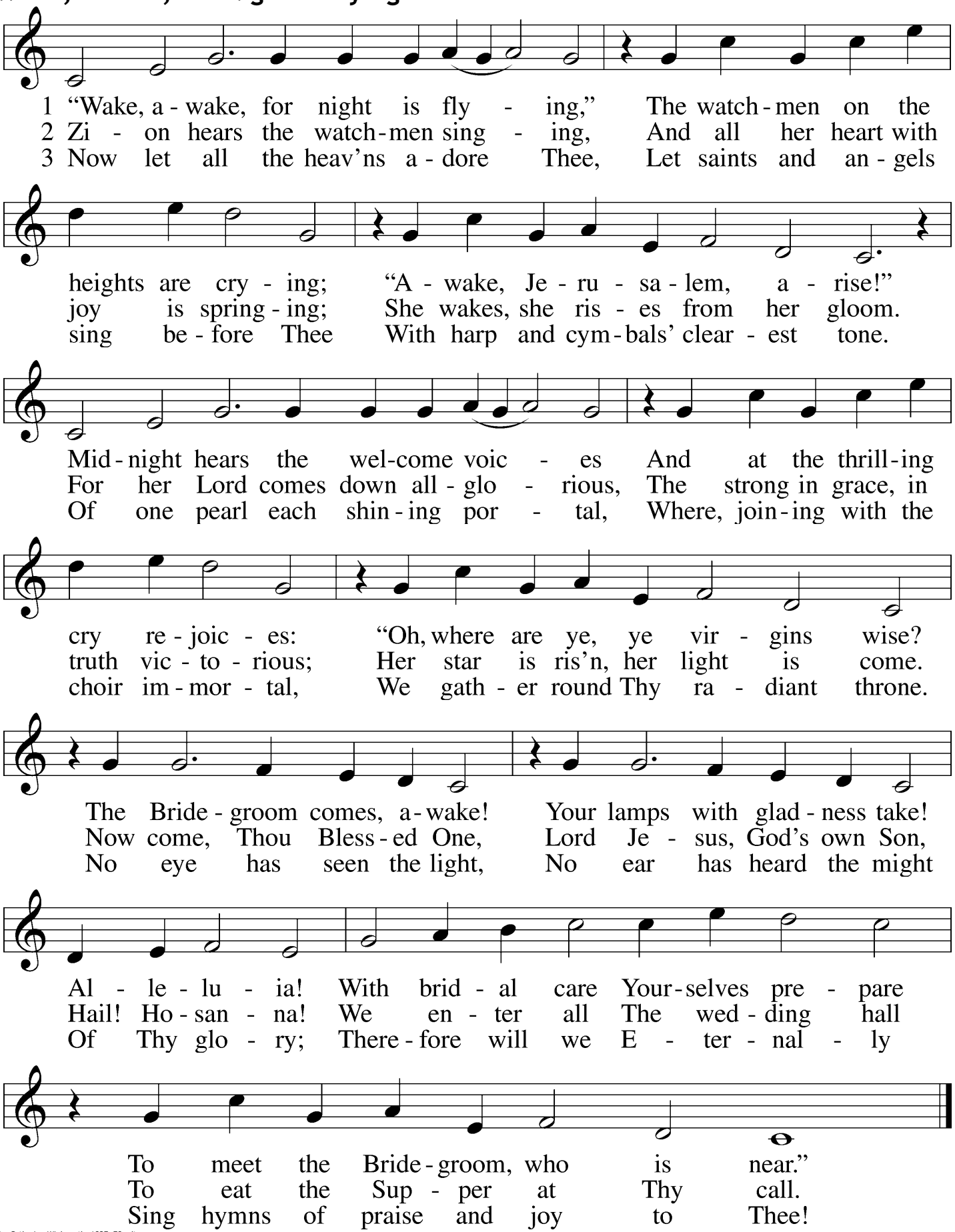
516 Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying



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Sermon

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Apostles' Creed

C I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life ✢ everlasting. Amen.

Prayer of the Church

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Offering

781 We Give Thee But Thine Own

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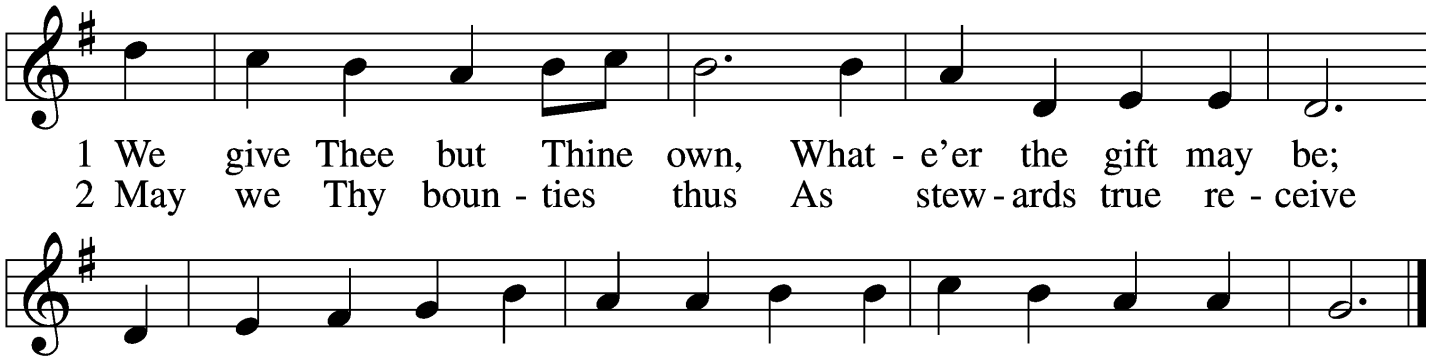

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Offertory

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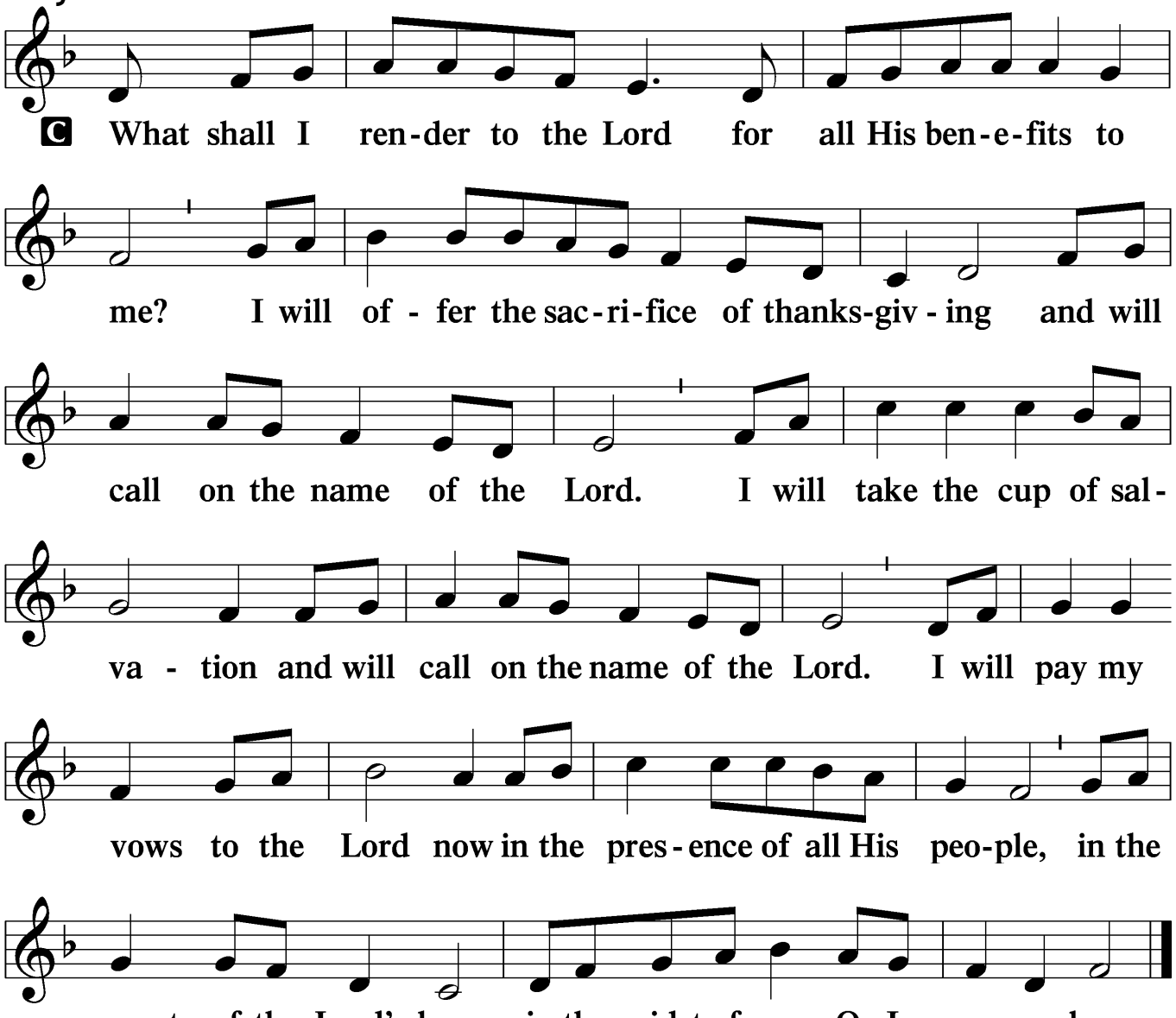
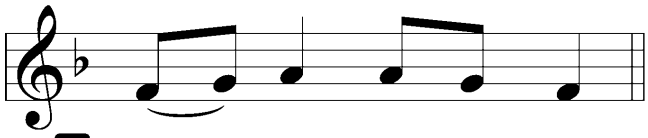


Service of the Sacrament

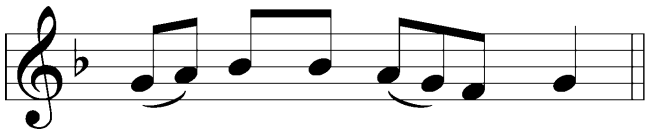
Preface *LSB 160*

P The Lord be with you.



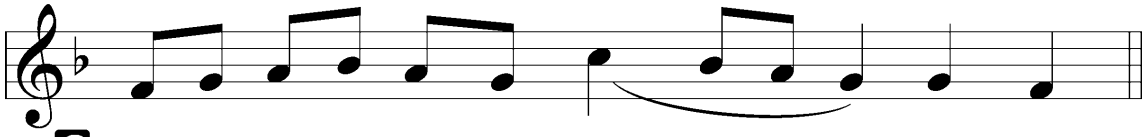
C And al - so with you.

P Lift up your hearts.



C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

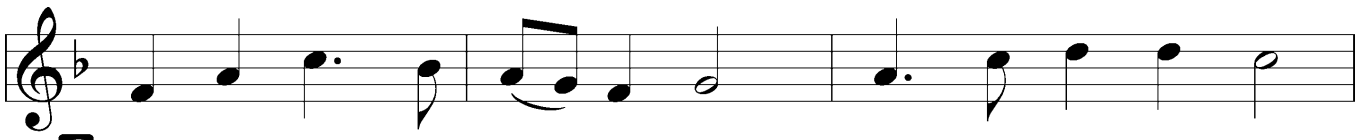


C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

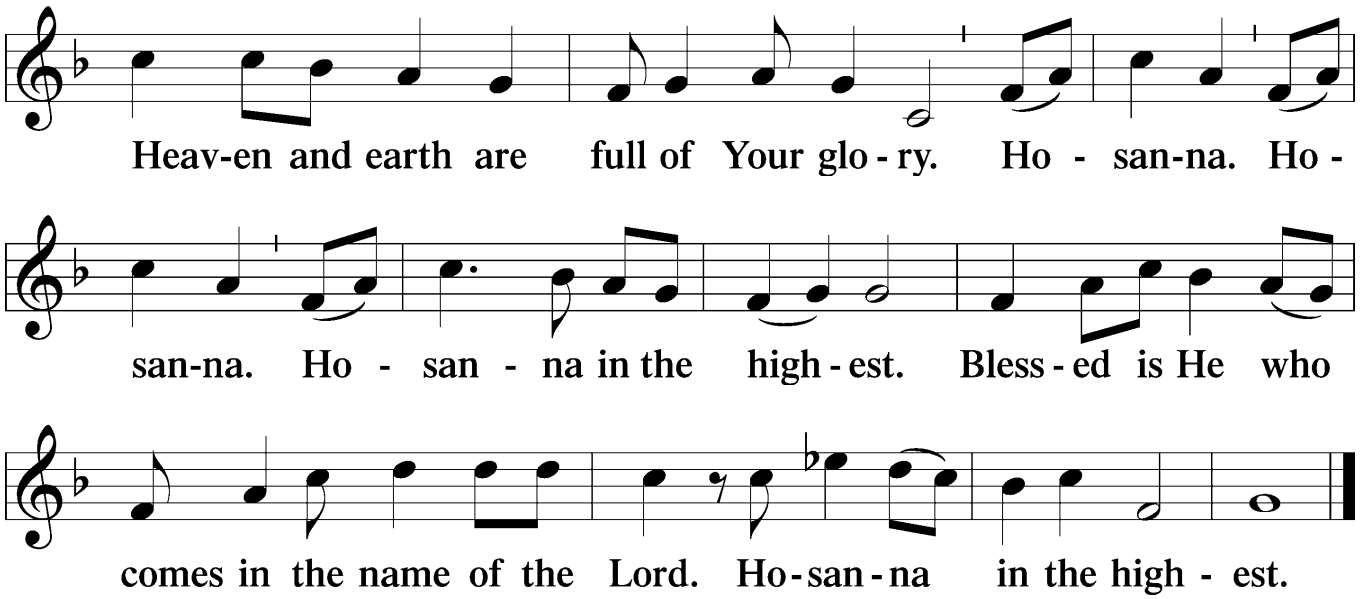
Proper Preface (Full)

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting 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 161*



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:



Prayer of Thanksgiving *LSB 161*

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **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.”

Proclamation of Christ

P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord’s death until He comes.

C **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

P O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

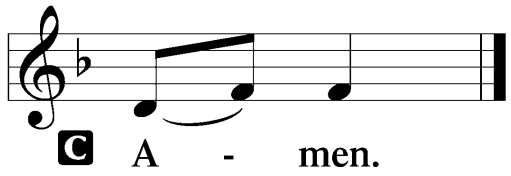
Lord’s Prayer

C **Our Father who art in heaven,**
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth

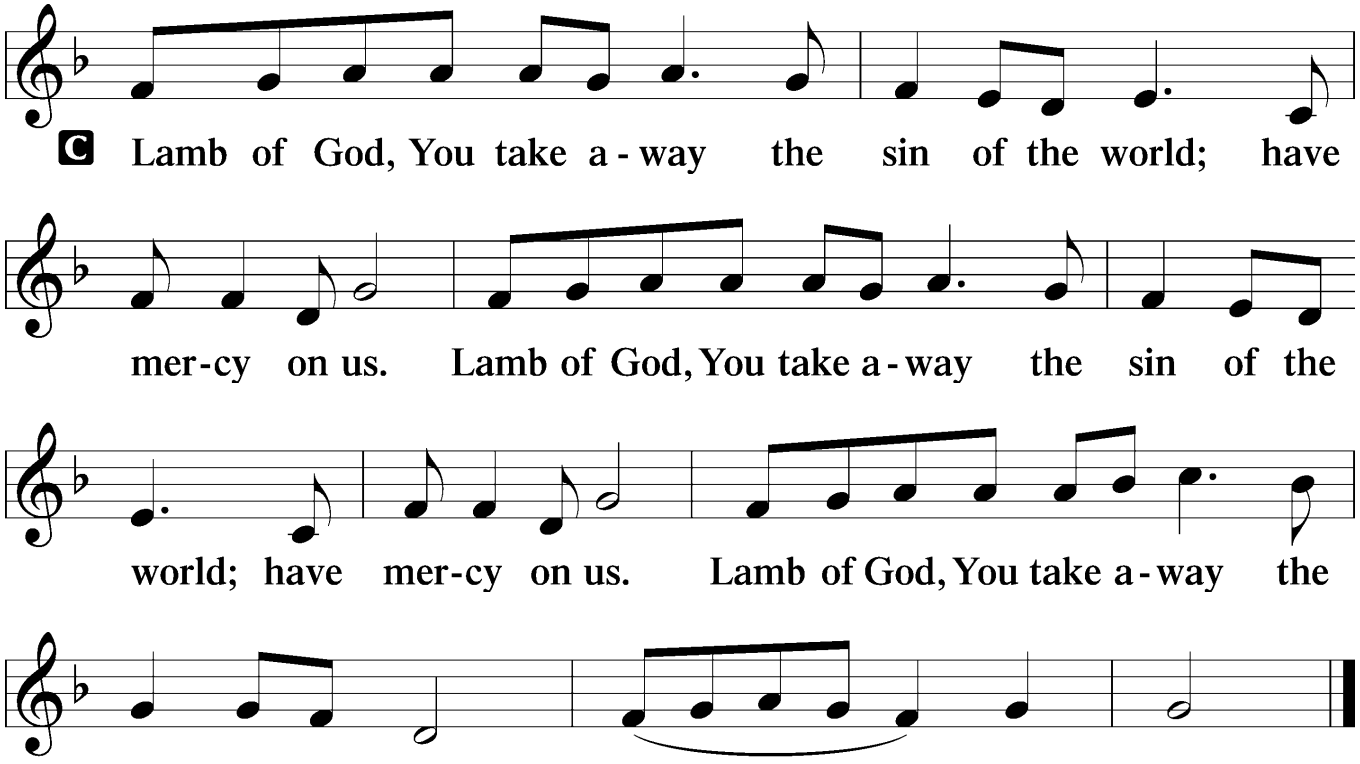
as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.

Pax Domini *LSB 163*

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.



Agnus Dei *LSB 163*



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Distribution

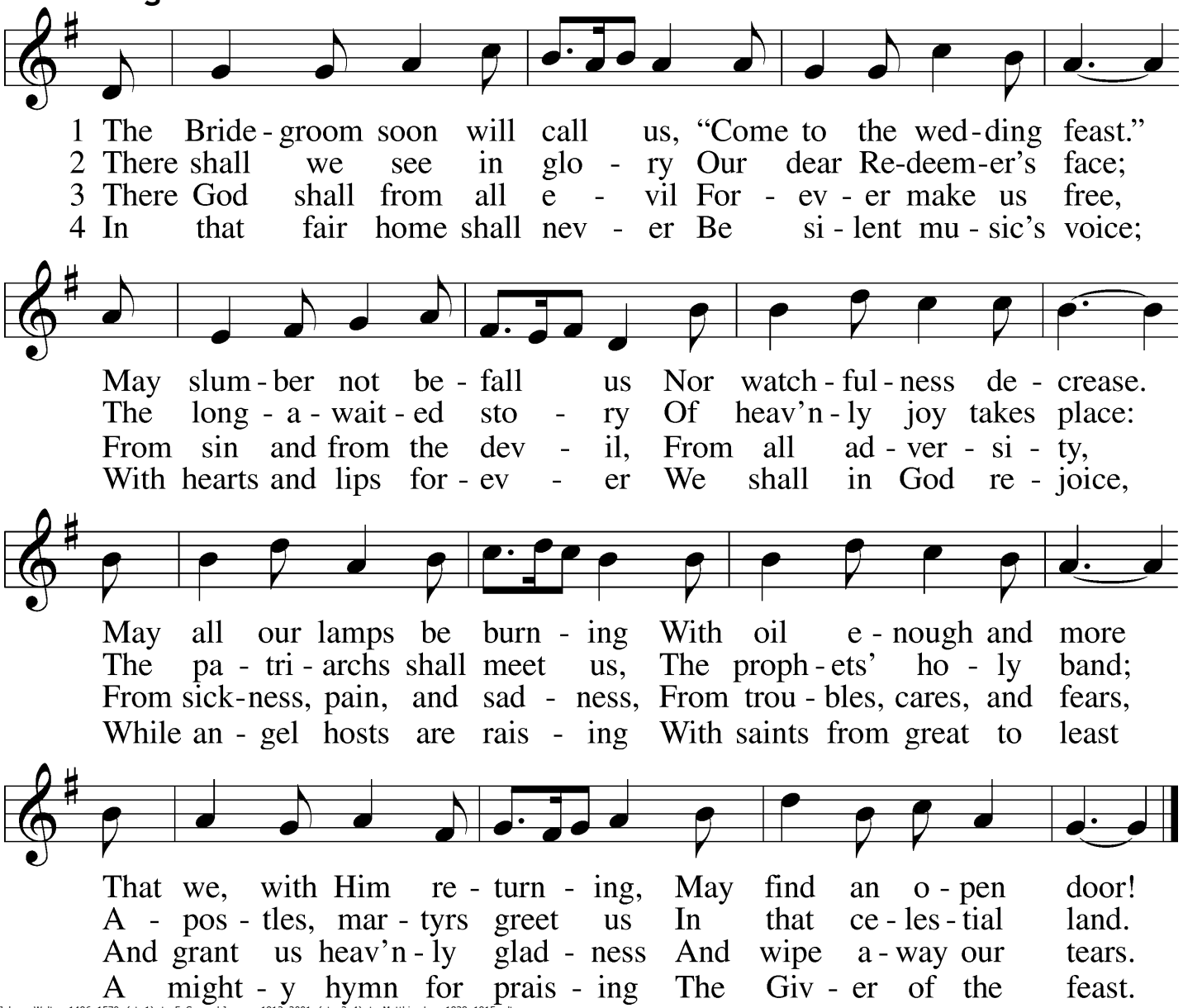
The pastor receives the body and blood of Christ first and then distributes them to those who come to receive, saying: Take, eat; this is the true body of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, given into death for your sins. **Amen.** Take, drink; this is the true blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, shed for the forgiveness of your sins. **Amen.**

In dismissing the communicants, the following is said:

The Dismissal

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart ☩ in peace. **Amen.**

514 The Bridegroom Soon Will Call Us



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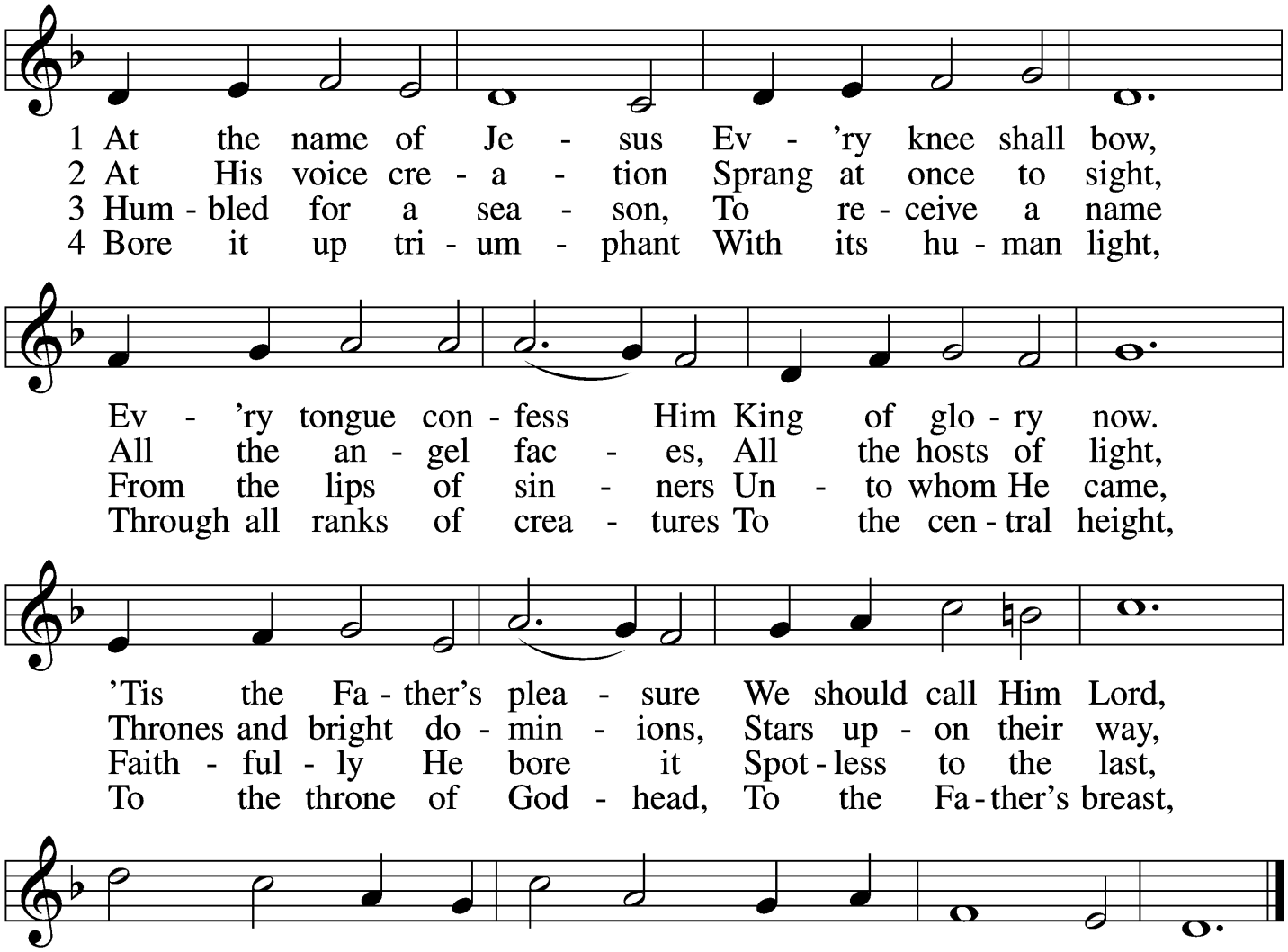
512 At the Name of Jesus



5 In your hearts enthrone Him;
There let Him subdue
All that is not holy,
All that is not true:
Crown Him as your captain
In temptation's hour;
Let His will enfold you
In its light and pow'r.

6 Christians, this Lord Jesus
Shall return again
In His Father's glory,
With His angel train;
For all wreaths of empire
Meet upon His brow,
And our hearts confess Him
King of glory now.

△ 7 Glory then to Jesus,
Who, the Prince of light,
To a world in darkness
Brought the gift of sight;
Praise to God the Father;
In the Spirit's love
Praise we all together
Him who reigns above.

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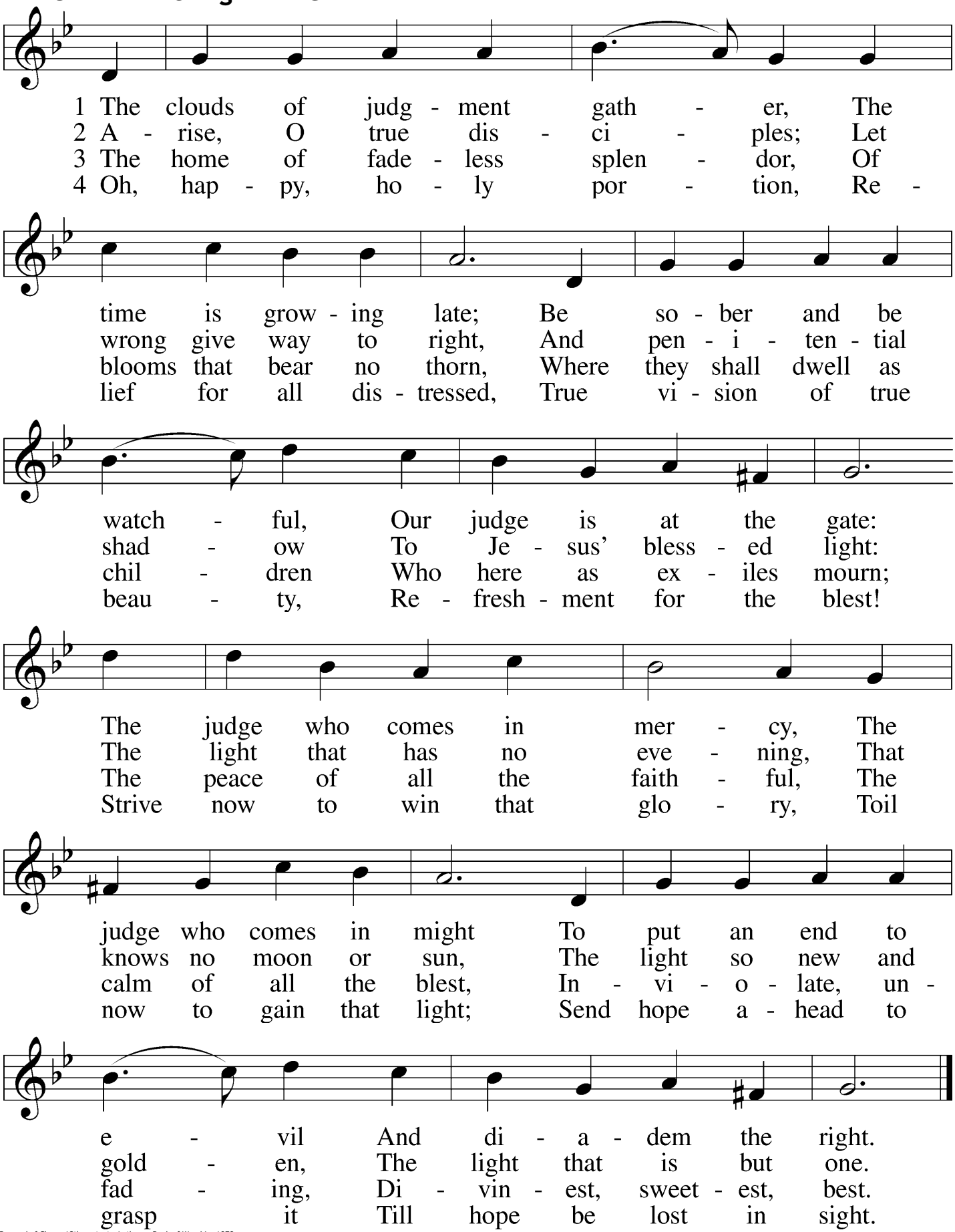

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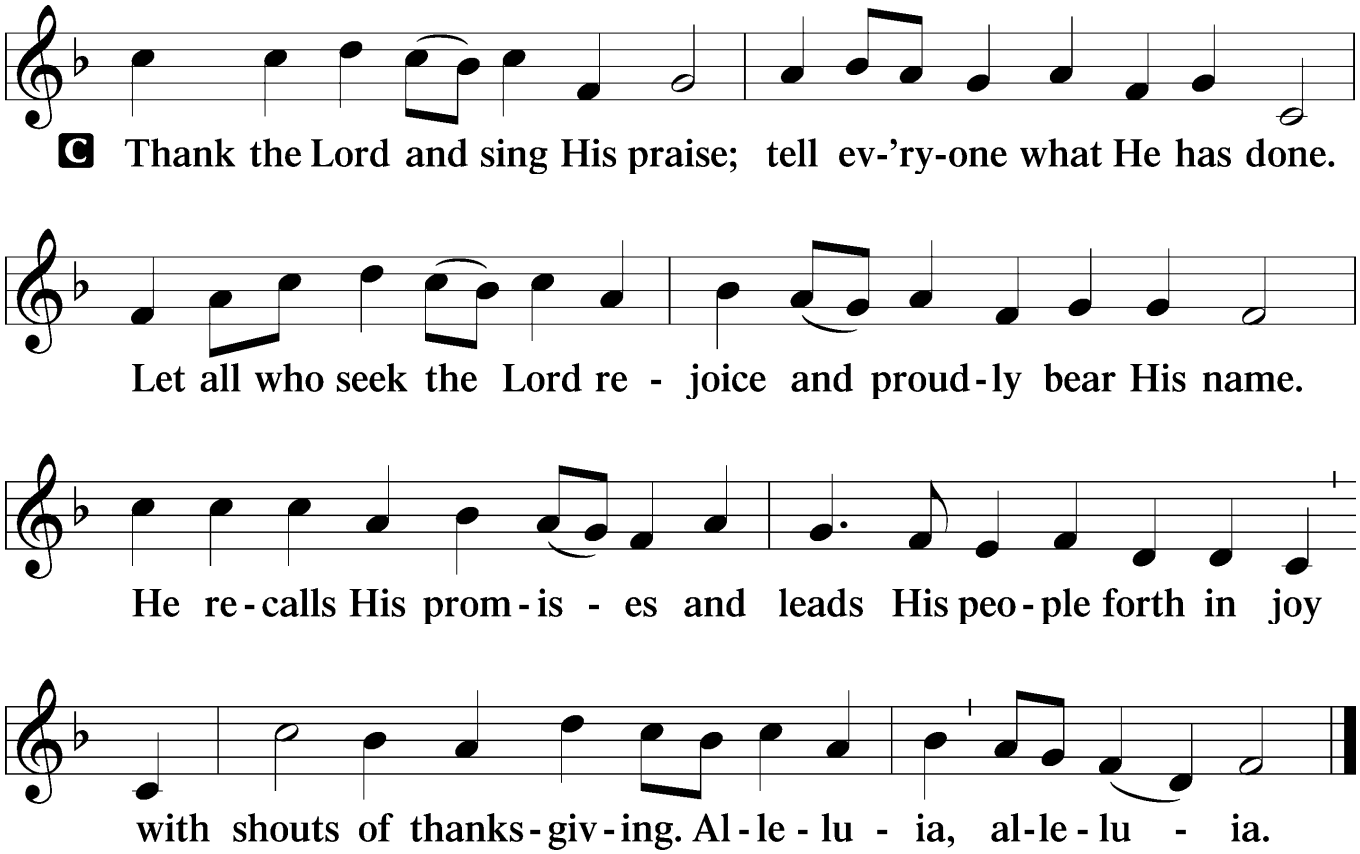
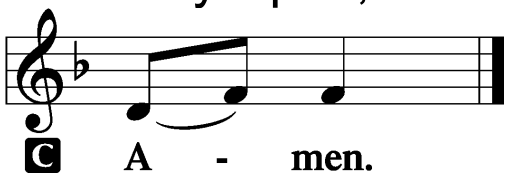
Thank the Lord *LSB 164*



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.



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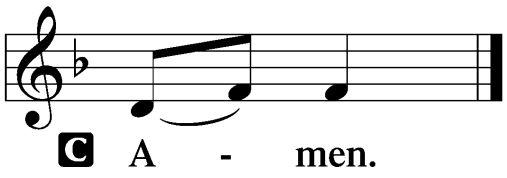
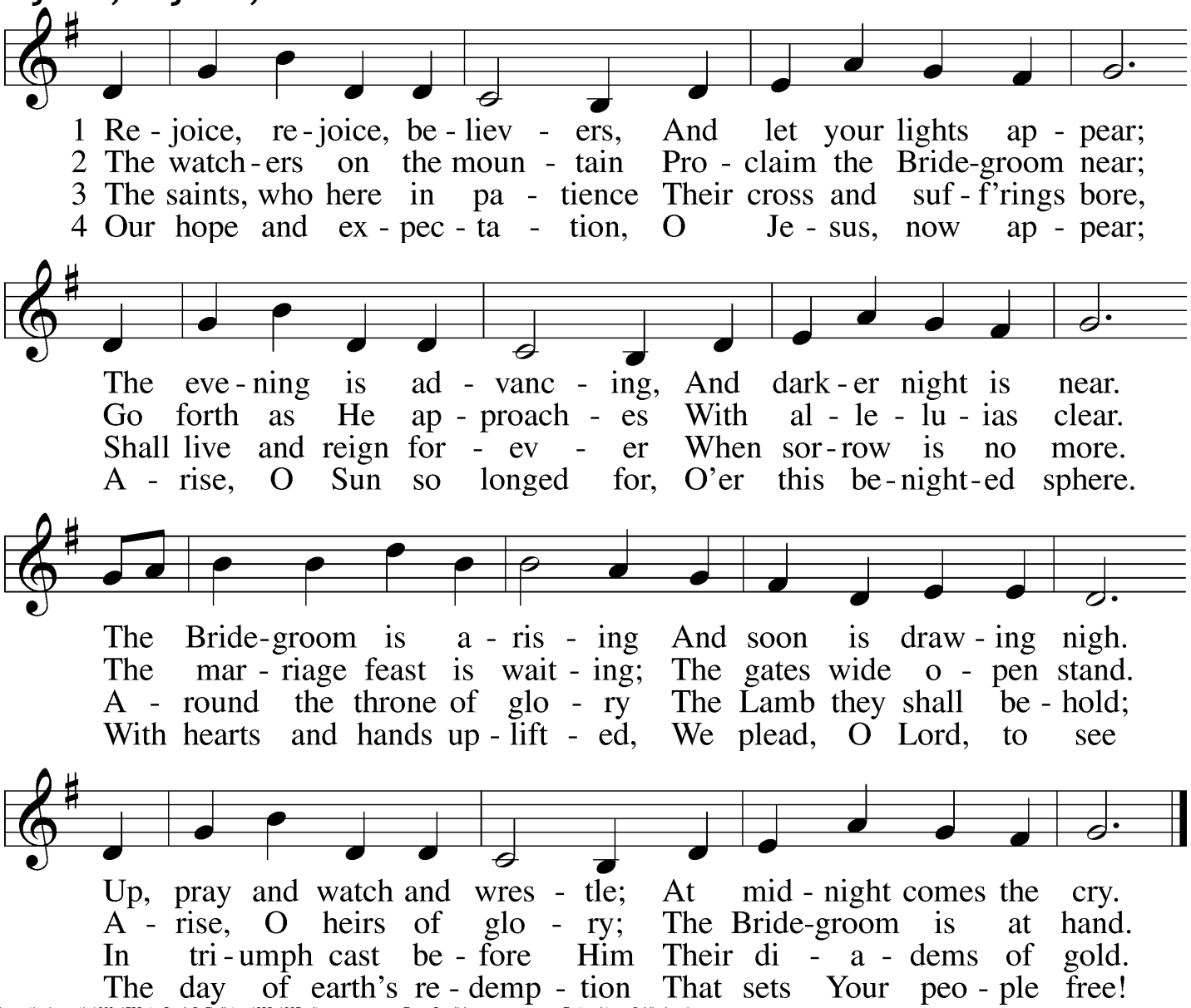
P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✢ give you peace.



515 Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers



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