

GATHERING

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

OPENING MUSIC

"What a Beautiful Name"

by Fielding and Ligertwood (CCLI)

Please stand as you are able.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the Creator of heaven and earth, the Word who spoke life into being, the Wind stirring the waters.

Amen.

Let us turn in confession to the one who knows us completely.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Mighty God, lover of justice, **you call us to life in community, but we have served our own interests at the expense of our neighbors. We have sown deceit where honesty was needed. We say the right words, but our hearts are far from you. Turn us to seek your face. Knit us together and give us the mind of Christ, that we may do justice, love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God.**

Amen.

The former things have passed away, and new things God now declares: Like a spring of water that never fails, God covers you in the righteousness of Christ, and forgives your sin in † Jesus' name. May the Spirit give you strength to live for others, and bless you with the gift of peace.

Amen.

OPENING HYMN

"Wash, O God, Your Sons and Daughters"

ELW 445 (One License)

Please be seated.

WELCOME

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God our Father, at the baptism of Jesus you proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit. Make all who are baptized into Christ faithful to their calling to be your daughters and sons, and empower us all with your Spirit, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

WORD

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

FIRST READING:

Isaiah 42:1-9, *Pew Bible, Old Testament, pg. 670*

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

PSALM:

Psalm 29

The Psalms are found in the ELW, in the front section, beginning on page 339. We will read them responsively together.

SECOND READING:

Acts 10:34-43, *Pew Bible, New Testament, pg. 129*

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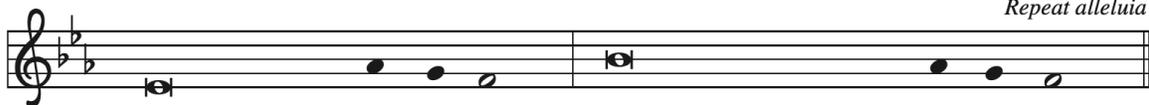
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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al-le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia.

Repeat alleluia



Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

GOSPEL

The holy gospel according to Matthew. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Matthew 3:13-17, *Pew Bible, New Testament, pg. 3*

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

Please be seated.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Children are invited to come forward during the message.

SERMON

Please stand as you are able.

HYMN OF THE DAY

"Take My Life"

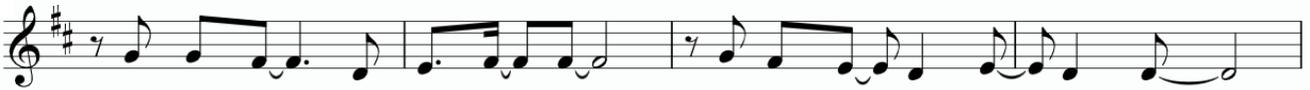
by Tomlin, Giglio, Malan (CCLI)



1. Take my life and let it be con - se - crat - ed, Lord, to Thee.
 2. Take my voice and let me sing al - ways, on - ly, for my King.
 3. Take my will and make it Thine, it shall be no long - er mine.



Take my mo - ments and my days, let them flow in cease - less praise.
 Take my lips and let them be filled with mes - sag - es from Thee.
 Take my heart, it is Thine own, it shall be Thy roy - al throne.



Take my hands and let them move at the im - pulse of Thy love.
 Take my sil - ver and my gold, not a mite would I with - hold.
 Take my love, my Lord, I pour at Your feet its treas - ure store.



Take my feet and let them be swift and beau - ti - ful for Thee.
 Take my in - tel - lect and use ev - 'ry pow - er as You choose. _____
 Take my - self and I will be ev - er, on - ly, all for Thee. _____

CHORUS



Here am I, all of me.



Take my life, it's all for Thee. _



APOSTLES' CREED

ELW pg. 127

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

As God's beloved children united in Christ, let us pray for the church, the whole human community, and the well-being of the earth, our home. *A brief silence.*

Steadfast God, give courage to your servant church. Heal our divisions and unite us in mission. Uphold our lay leaders, missionaries, pastors, and bishops, and all who proclaim hope in a broken world. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Restoring God, cleanse the life-giving waters of rivers, seas, and springs. Create in us an urgent desire to preserve the beauty and bounty of your good creation. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Righteous God, you guide the nations. Reconcile warring enemies and end cycles of violent retribution. Defend the rights of prisoners, detainees, and all who flee from persecution. Sustain international aid workers and peacemakers. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Compassionate God, you care for all in distress. Provide safety and support for those seeking asylum or in need of shelter. Be near to the dying, and comfort all who are grieving or ill, especially those we now name aloud or in the silence of our hearts _____. God, **receive our prayer.**

Loving God, awaken the gifts of the Spirit in this congregation, that we may serve Christ by loving one another, our neighbors, and our enemies. We pray for travelers and those who are homebound. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Promising God, in baptism we die and rise with Christ. We give thanks for those who have gone before us, and we trust that we will join them in your everlasting peace. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Confident that the Holy Spirit receives our prayers and answers us, we commend all for whom we pray to God's loving-kindness made known to us in Christ Jesus our Savior. **Amen.**

PEACE

After praying for the whole world, we receive and extend to one another the gift of Christ's peace. We invite you to share a sign of God's peace with one another.

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

Please be seated.

OFFERING PRAYER

God of majesty, no eye has seen, no ear has heard what you have prepared for those who love you, yet in this meal you reveal the wideness of your mercy. Use what we have gathered to feed us with the reign of God come near, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

OFFERING

Thank you for your generous offerings and commitment to Grace's mission and ministry. You are invited to place your financial offerings in the offering plate. Additional ways to give include mailing your offering to the church office, or by giving online: by texting the amount you would like to give to 877-698-3604, through the Vanco Mobile App, or online at Grace's website (Use the QR code provided). You are also invited to call the church office to learn more about the automatic withdrawal Electronic Giving Program.



OFFERING HYMN

"Wade in the Water"

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GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

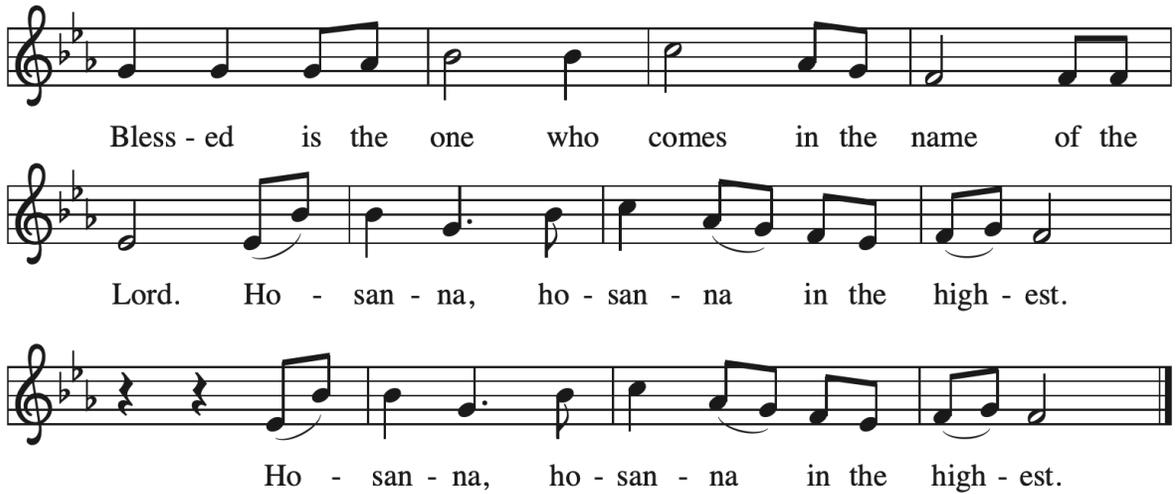
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, . . . and join their unending hymn:

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

God of might, heav - en and earth are full of your

glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is the one who comes in the name of the
 Lord. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.
 Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

LORD'S PRAYER

ELW pg. 134, left column

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

All are welcome at the Lord's table.

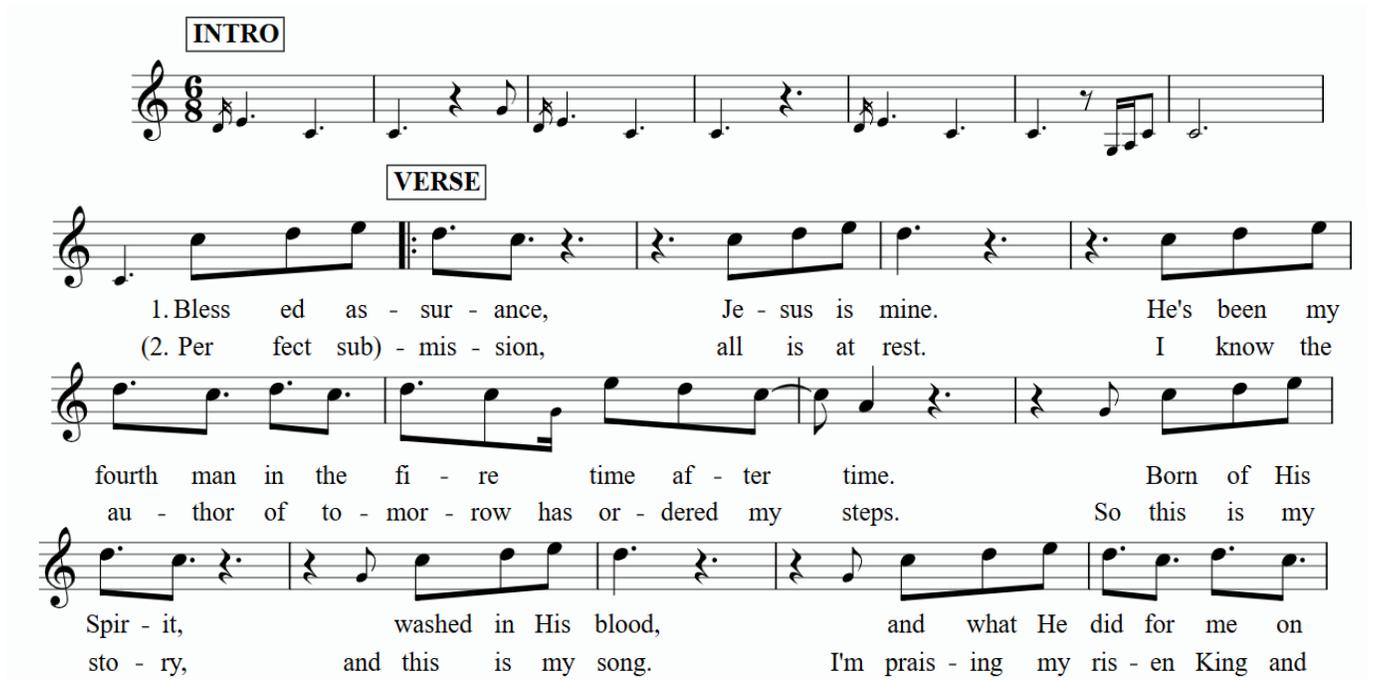
Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! Come to the table; taste and see.

Please be seated. The congregation will then commune, beginning with the front pews, you are invited to come forward to receive the bread and wine or juice. Extend your hands to receive a wafer from the pastor or communion assistant. Then please pick up one cup from the trays (red wine or white grape juice), and then place the empty cup in a tray on the front pew before returning to your seat. Gluten free elements are available upon request. If you would like the communion elements to be brought to you, please notify an usher.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

"Trust in God"

by Lake, Brown, Wong, Furtick (CCLI)



INTRO

VERSE

1. Bless ed as - sur - ance, Je - sus is mine. He's been my
 (2. Per fect sub) - mis - sion, all is at rest. I know the
 fourth man in the fi - re time af - ter time. Born of His
 au - thor of to - mor - row has or - dered my steps. So this is my
 Spir - it, washed in His blood, and what He did for me on
 sto - ry, and this is my song. I'm prais - ing my ris - en King and

CHORUS

Cal - v'ry is more than e - nough. I trust in God, my Sav - ior, the One
Sav - ior all the day long.

who will nev - er fail. He will nev - er fail. I trust in
God, my Sav - ior, the One who will nev - er fail. He will nev - er

INSTRUMENTAL

fail. 2. Per fect sub

BRIDGE

I sought the Lord, and He
heard and He an - swered. I sought the Lord, and He heard and He an - swered.

I sought the Lord, and He heard and He an - swered. That's why I trust Him, that's why I trust Him.

CHORUS

that's why I trust in God, my Sav - ior, the One who will nev - er fail.

He will nev - er fail. I trust in

Please stand as you are able.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Radiant God, **we have seen your glory in the face of Jesus Christ. In the sacrament of his body and blood you have drawn us to your heart. Send us from this table with delight, that our lives may reflect the beauty of your love, and bear witness to all we have seen and heard, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

COMMUNION BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

SENDING

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

BLESSING

May the triune God, who has put a new song in your mouth and tuned your heart for praise † bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN

"Shall We Gather at the River"

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DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Do justice. Love mercy. **Thanks be to God.**

CLOSING MUSIC

"Shall We Gather at the River"

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Thank you for sharing time to hear God's word and pray together. A video recording of worship will be posted to Grace's website later in the day. You are welcome to join Grace Lutheran Church's Facebook group for news & ministry opportunities. Peace be with you as you go forth to share God's grace.



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