

**WELCOME!**  
**Trinity Lutheran Church**  
**February 11, 2024**



It is easier for a camel ...

- \* = Please stand if able
- = Please be seated

- **Prelude - *By Pan Sherman***
- **Office of the Acolyte**
- **Ringling of the Bell**
- **Welcome**

# \* **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

*All may make the sign of the cross,  
the sign marked at baptism...*

**L: We confess our sins before God and  
one another.**

*Pause for silence and reflection.*

**L: God of love,**

# **\* CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

**C: When we look inward and are honest with ourselves, we see where we have lived as though you are not our God. We have sought after our own gain rather than the good of all. We have not loved you or our neighbors as ourselves. We have betrayed and denied you in what we have done and not done.**

# **\* CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

**C: Create in us clean hearts, O  
God, that we might become  
what you have called us to be.**

# \* **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

**L: God whose unfathomable love  
went to the cross for our sake  
now forgives us all our sins  
and welcomes us all over  
again into the promise of  
eternal life in ✝ Christ's name.**

**C: Amen.**

# \* GATHERING SONG

**“Let Us Tongues and Talents Employ”**

**ELW 674**



**1 Let us talents  
and tongues employ,  
reaching out  
with a shout of joy:  
bread is broken,  
the wine is poured,  
Christ is spoken  
and seen and heard.**



*Refrain*

**Jesus lives again,  
earth can breathe again,  
pass the Word around:  
loaves abound!**

**Jesus lives again,  
earth can breathe again,  
pass the Word around:  
loaves abound!**

**2 Christ is able  
to make us one,  
at the table  
he sets the tone,  
teaching people  
to live to bless,  
love in word  
and in deed express.**

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**3 Jesus calls us in,  
sends us out  
bearing fruit  
in a world of doubt,  
gives us love to tell,  
bread to share:  
God (Immanuel) ev'rywhere!**

*Refrain*

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# \* **APOSTOLIC GREETING**

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

**C: And also with you.**

# \* KYRIE

**A** In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.

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

**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

# \* KYRIE



**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



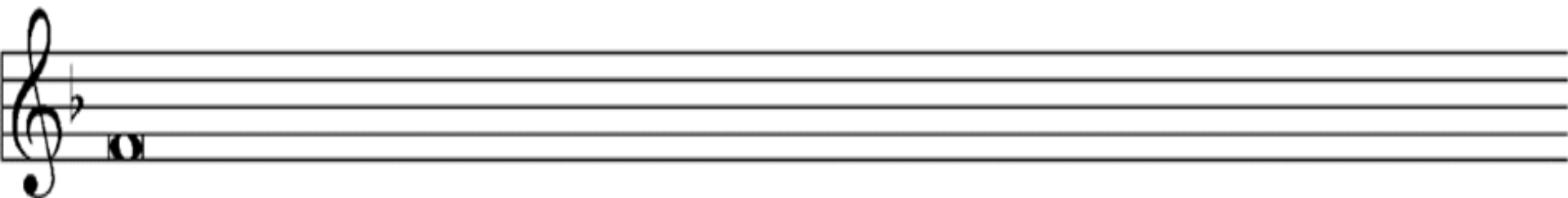
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



# \* KYRIE



**A** For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord.

**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. **C** A - men

## **\* HYMN OF PRAISE**

**Glory be to God in heaven;  
peace, goodwill to all the earth.  
Mighty God of all creation,  
Father of surpassing worth:  
we exalt you, we adore you,  
we lift high our thanks and praise.  
Saints and angels bow before you;  
here on earth our songs we raise.**

## **\* HYMN OF PRAISE**

**Glory be to Christ forever,  
Lamb of God and Lord of love.  
Son of God and gracious Savior,  
you have come from heav'n above;  
on the cross you died to save us;  
now you reign at God's right hand.  
Hear our prayer; restore, forgive  
us; in your promise firm we stand.**

## **\* HYMN OF PRAISE**

**Holy One we now acclaim you;  
Lord alone, to you we call;  
Holy One in faith we name you,  
God most high, yet near to all:  
Jesus Christ, with God the Spirit,  
in the Father's splendor bright.  
For the peace that we inherit,  
glory be to God on high!**

# \* PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P:** Let us pray... Holy God, You speak to us and guide our ways through your word. Inspire us by the Holy Spirit to dig deep and be transformed by the love, grace, power, and wisdom we find in your scriptures, that we might, as changed people, carry forth your vision of peace and justice into our community and the world. In Jesus' name we pray.

**C:** Amen



# • **Scripture Reading**

**L: Our scripture reading for this day is from the Gospel of Mark, the 10<sup>th</sup> Chapter.**

**C: Glory to you O' Lord!**

- **Mark 10:17-31**

**<sup>17</sup> As he was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” <sup>18</sup> Jesus**

**said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone.**

**<sup>19</sup> You know the commandments: ‘You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and**



- **Mark 10:17-31**

mother.”” <sup>20</sup>He said to him, “Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.”

<sup>21</sup> Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, “You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.” <sup>22</sup>

When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

- **Mark 10:17-31**

**<sup>23</sup> Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, “How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!” <sup>24</sup> And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, “Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! <sup>25</sup> It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.” <sup>26</sup> They were greatly**

- **Mark 10:17-31**

astounded and said to one another, “Then who can be saved?”<sup>27</sup> Jesus looked at them and said, “For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.”

<sup>28</sup> Peter began to say to him, “Look, we have left everything and followed you.”

<sup>29</sup> Jesus said, “Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or

- **Mark 10:17-31**

children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news,<sup>30</sup> who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields, with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life.

<sup>31</sup> But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.”

- **Mark 10:17-31**

**R: This is the Word of the Lord.**

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

# Sermon



It is easier for a  
camel to go  
through the eye of  
a needle...

# Sermon



**Don't Try  
This At  
Home!**





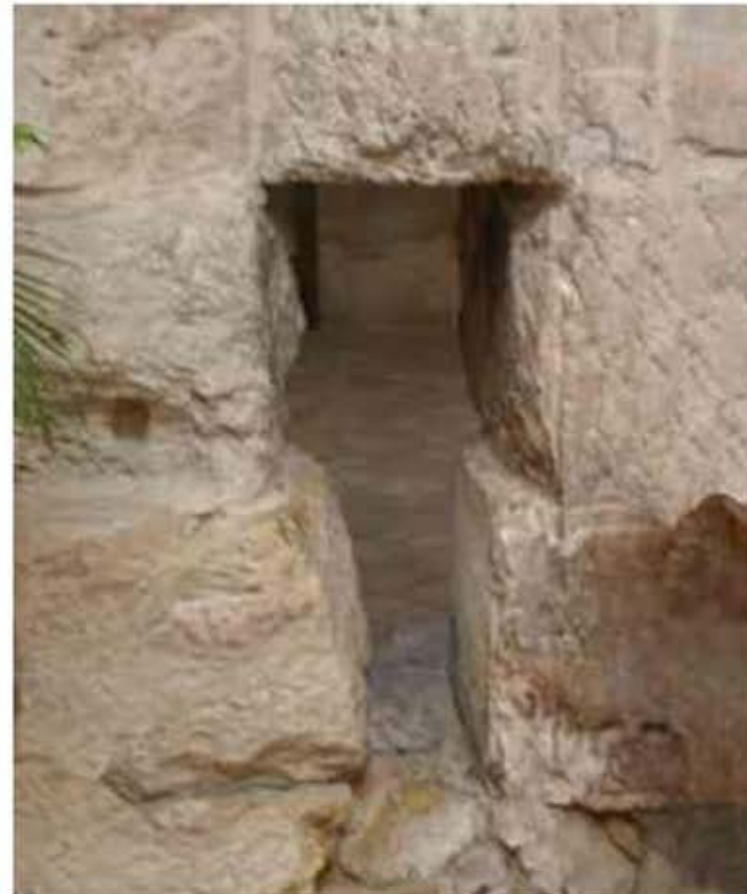


# Sermon



Mark 10:25-27

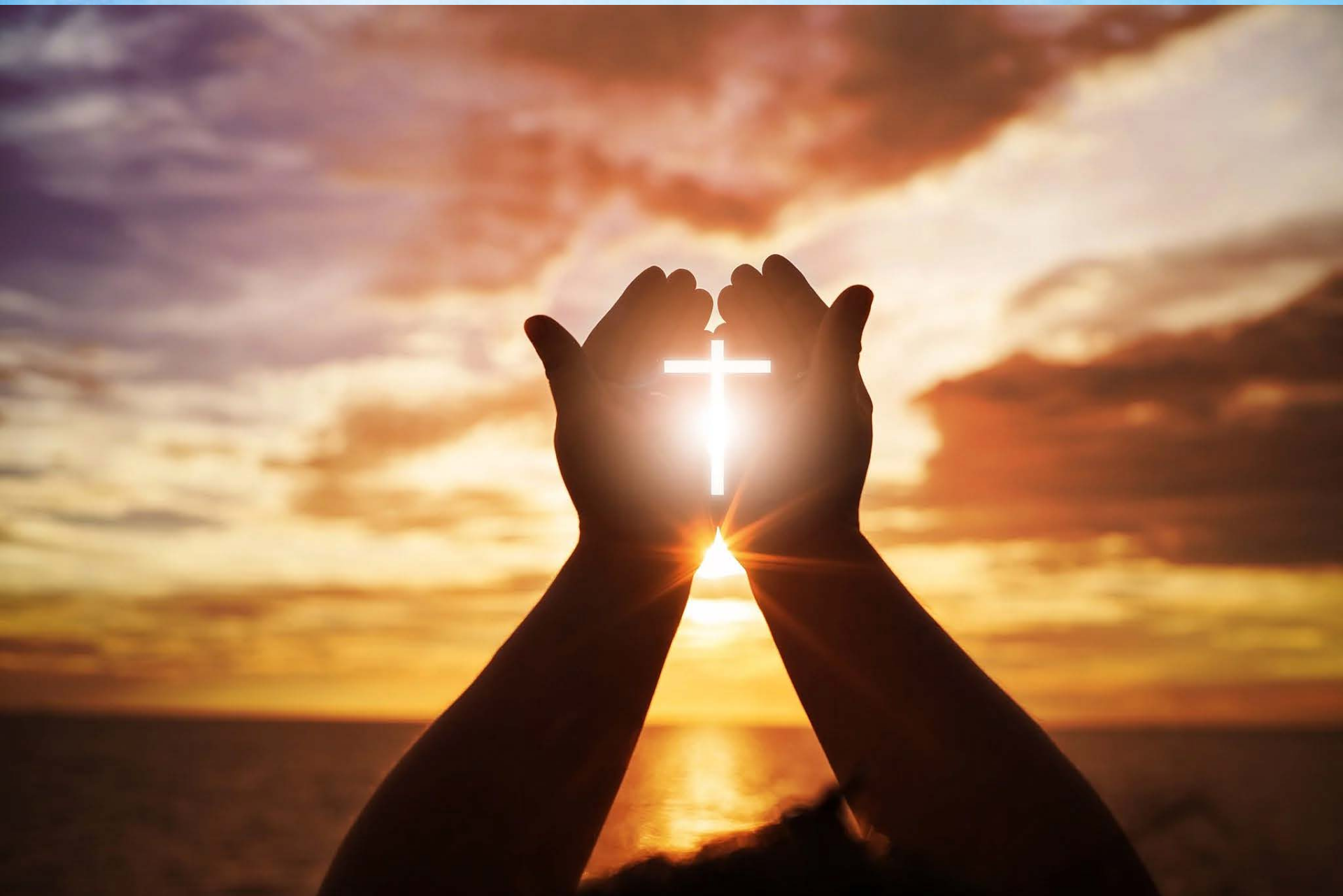
“Easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle”



# Sermon



# Sermon



# \* **NICENE CREED**

**C: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

# \* **NICENE CREED**

**C: 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.**

# \* **NICENE CREED**

**C: Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;**

## \* **NICENE CREED**

**C: 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.**



# \* **NICENE CREED**

**C: We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.**

# \* **NICENE CREED**

**C: 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.**

# \* PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

*Each petition will end with the words,*

**A: God of the journey,**

*The congregation will respond with:*

**C: In mercy, hear our prayer.**

# \* PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

*The prayer concludes...*

**P:** Confident that you walk alongside us in our need, we lift to you all our prayers, spoken and unspoken, through Jesus Christ our savior.

**C:** Amen.

- **OFFERING**



**It is easier for a  
camel to go  
through the eye of  
a needle...**

# \* OFFERING PRAYER



It is easier for a  
camel to go  
through the eye of  
a needle...

# \* THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*All the Baptized are welcome  
to celebrate this Holy Meal.*

# \* DIALOGUE




**P** The Lord be with you. **C** And al - so with you.

The first line of dialogue consists of two parts. The first part, marked with a 'P' (Piano), is a simple melody of four notes: G4, A4, B4, and C5. The second part, marked with a 'C' (Crescendo), is a more active melody of eight notes: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, and F4.



**P** Lift up your hearts. **C** We lift them to the Lord.

The second line of dialogue consists of two parts. The first part, marked with a 'P', is a melody of seven notes: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, and G4. The second part, marked with a 'C', is a melody of eight notes: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, and F4.



**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

The third line of dialogue is a single part marked with a 'P'. It consists of a melody of ten notes: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F4, E4, and D4.



**C** It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The fourth line of dialogue is a single part marked with a 'C'. It consists of a melody of ten notes: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F4, E4, and D4.



# **\* THE PREFACE**

**P: It is indeed right and salutary...**

**... we praise your name and join their  
unending hymn.**

# \* THE SANCTUS



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



Heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho - san - na.



Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

# \* EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

**P: Holy God, our living Water...**

**...both now and forever.**

**C: Amen.**

# **\* THE 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.**

# \* **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**C: For thine is the kingdom, and  
the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever. Amen.**

# **\* INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

**P: You are invited now to the feast in which Jesus meets us and strengthens us for the work of the gospel. Come and be fed, for all is prepared.**

- **COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION**

*All will commune “By Station”.*

*The bread may be broken for distribution.*

*As the ministers give the bread and wine,  
they say these words :*

**The body of Christ, given for you.**

**The blood of Christ, shed for you.**

*The communicant may say:* **Amen.**

# \* **POST COMMUNION BLESSING**

**P:** May this body and blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, strengthen, keep, and unity us, ✝ now and forever,

**C:** Amen.



# \* POST COMMUNION CANTACLE

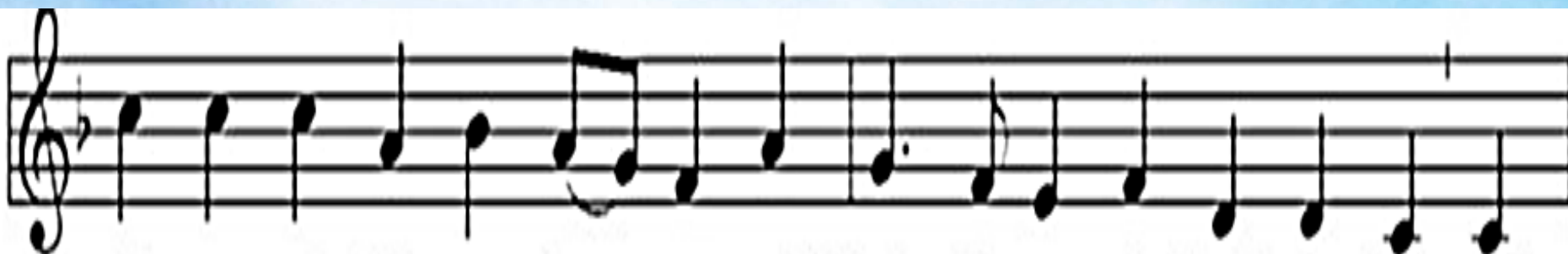


**☪** Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - jice and proud-ly bear his name.

# \* POST COMMUNION CANTACLE



He re-calls his prom-is - es and leads his peo-ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks-giv - ing. Ho - Sa - Na, Ho - sa - a - na

# \* **POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

**P: Let us pray... Giver of every gift,  
Christ's body is our food, and we are  
Christ's body. Raise us to life by your  
power for the benefit of all and to your  
glory, now and forever.**

**C: Amen**

- **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*Church*

*Announcements*

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# \* **SENDING BLESSING**

**P:** God who names you, Christ who claims you, and the Holy Spirit who dwells in you, ✝ bless you and remain with you always.

**C:** Amen.

# \* Sending Song

“We Plow the Fields and Scatter”

LBW 362



# \* **“We Plow the Fields and Scatter” LBW 362**

**1 We plow the fields and scatter  
the good seed on the land,  
but it is fed and watered  
by God's almighty hand,  
who sends the snow in winter,  
the warmth to swell the grain,  
the breezes and the sunshine,  
and soft refreshing rain.**

\* **“We Plow the Fields and Scatter” LBW 362**

***Refrain***

**All good gifts around us  
are sent from heav'n above.  
We thank you, Lord,  
we thank you, Lord,  
for all your love.**



**\* “We Plow the Fields and Scatter” LBW 362**

**2 You only are the maker  
of all things near and far.  
You paint the wayside flower,  
you light the evening star.  
The winds and waves obey you,  
by you the birds are fed;  
much more to us, your children,  
you give our daily bread.**

\* **“We Plow the Fields and Scatter” LBW 362**

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**3 We thank you, our creator,  
for all things bright and good,  
the seedtime and the harvest,  
our life, our health, our food.  
No gifts have we to offer  
for all your love imparts,  
but what you most would treasure—  
our humble, thankful hearts**

\* **“We Plow the Fields and Scatter” LBW 362**

***Refrain***

**All good gifts around us  
are sent from heav'n above.  
We thank you, Lord,  
we thank you, Lord,  
for all your love.**

# \* **DISMISSAL**

**P: ... Depart in Christ's Love.**

**C: Seeking, welcoming, and serving  
all. Amen!**

## **POSTLUDE**

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