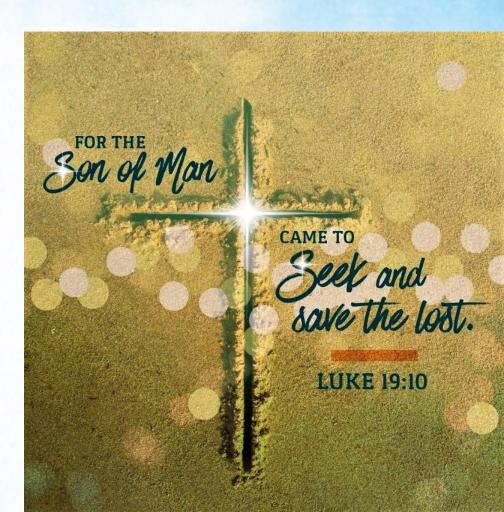
#### WELCOME! Trinity Lutheran Church

April 6, 2025

Fourth Sunday
Of
Lent



- \* = Please stand if able
  - = Please be seated
- Prelude By Roxanne Groff
- Office of the Acolyte
- Ringing of the Bell
- Welcome

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 the journey,

C: We do not want to follow where you lead. Instead, we turn inward, focusing on satisfying our own wants, even at the expense of our neighbors. We do not see their suffering; we do not act for their justice.

C: We are motivated by the fear of not getting what we want, or of losing what we have. We ignore the example of your sacrificial love, which has the power to heal and make whole.

C: Forgive us for refusing to heed your call. Change our hearts, our minds, and our actions, so that we might return to following you, no matter where your journey leads.

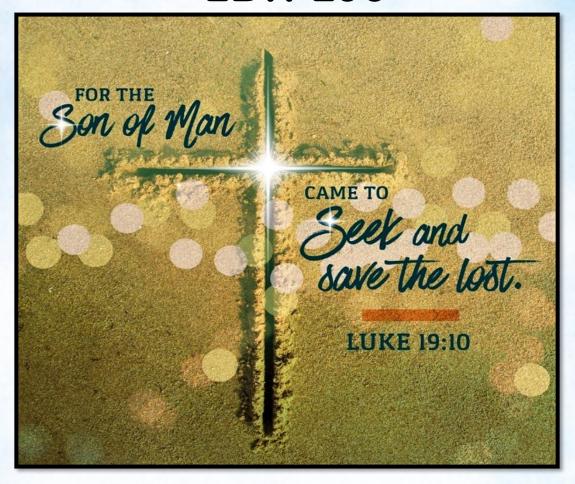
P: Our God is a God of abundant grace and mercy, and never lets us go. For the sake of Jesus, God With Us, who gave all for the redemption of creation, your sins are forgiven. 

Follow in Christ's loving footsteps.

C: Amen

# \*Gathering Song/Hymn of Praise

"Just As I Am, Without One Plea" LBW 296



1 Just as I am, without one plea, but that thy blood was shed for me, and that thou bidd'st me come to thee, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

2 Just as I am, and waiting not to rid my soul of one dark blot, to thee, whose blood can cleanse each spot, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

- \*"Just As I Am, Without One Plea" LBW 296
  - 3 Just as I am, though tossed about with many a conflict, many a doubt, fightings and fears within, without, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
  - 4 Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind; sight, riches, healing of the mind, yea, all I need in thee to find, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

5 Just as I am, thou wilt receive, wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve; because thy promise I believe, O Lamb of God, I come, I come,

6 Just as I am; thy love unknown has broken ev'ry barrier down; now to be thine, yea, thine alone, O Lamb of God, I come, I come

#### \* APOSTOLIC GREETING

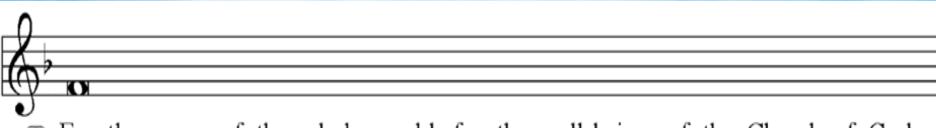
P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

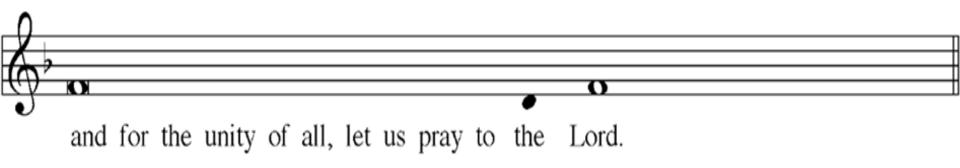
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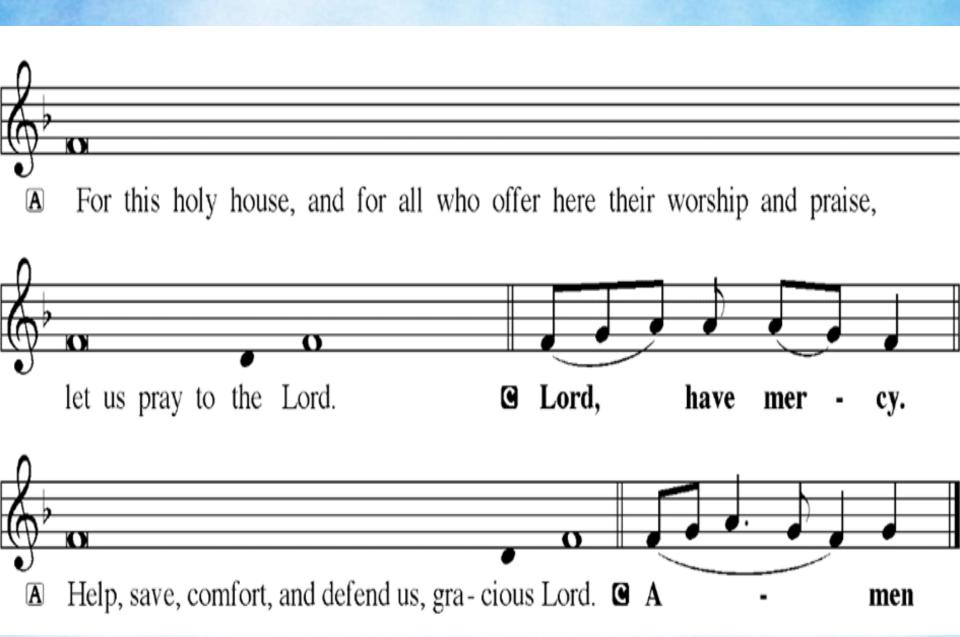


A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,





### \* KYRIE



#### \* 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 know the longing of our hearts to be in relationship with you, despite living as though we do not need you. Have mercy on us. Call us into your presence. Heal us, renew us, and lead us in the new life that only you can provide. In Jesus' name we pray.

#### C: Amen



Scripture Reading

L: Our scripture reading is from Luke, Chapters 18 and 19.

C: Glory to you O' Lord!

## Chapter 18

31Then he took the twelve aside and said to them, "See, we are going up to Jerusalem, and everything that is written about the Son of Man by the prophets will be accomplished. 32For he will be handed over to the Gentiles; and he will be mocked and insulted and spat upon. 33After they have

flogged him, they will kill him, and on the third day he will rise again." <sup>34</sup>But they understood nothing about all these things; in fact, what he said was hidden from them, and they did not grasp what was said.

<sup>35</sup>As he approached Jericho, a blind man was sitting by the roadside begging. <sup>36</sup>When he heard a crowd

going by, he asked what was happening. 37They told him, "Jesus of Nazareth is passing by." 38 Then he shouted, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" 39Those who were in front sternly ordered him to be quiet; but he shouted even more loudly, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" 40 Jesus stood still and ordered the man to be

brought to him; and when he came near, he asked him, 41"What do you want me to do for you?" He said, "Lord, let me see again." 42 Jesus said to him, "Receive your sight; your faith has saved you." 43 Immediately he regained his sight and followed him, glorifying God; and all the people, when they saw it, praised God.

## Chapter 19

He entered Jericho and was passing through it. <sup>2</sup>A man was there named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was rich. 3He was trying to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was short in stature. 4So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to see

him, because he was going to pass that way. 5When 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." 6So he hurried down and was happy to welcome him. 7All who saw it began to grumble and said, "He has gone to be the guest of one who is a sinner."

<sup>8</sup>Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, "Look, half of my possessions, Lord, I will give to the poor; and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I will pay back four times as much." 9Then Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because he too is a son of Abraham. <sup>10</sup>For the Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost."

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ

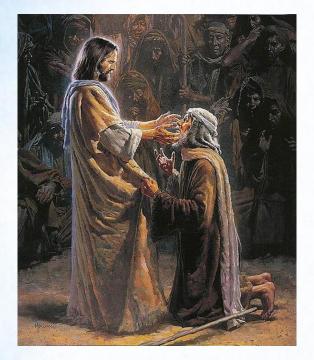






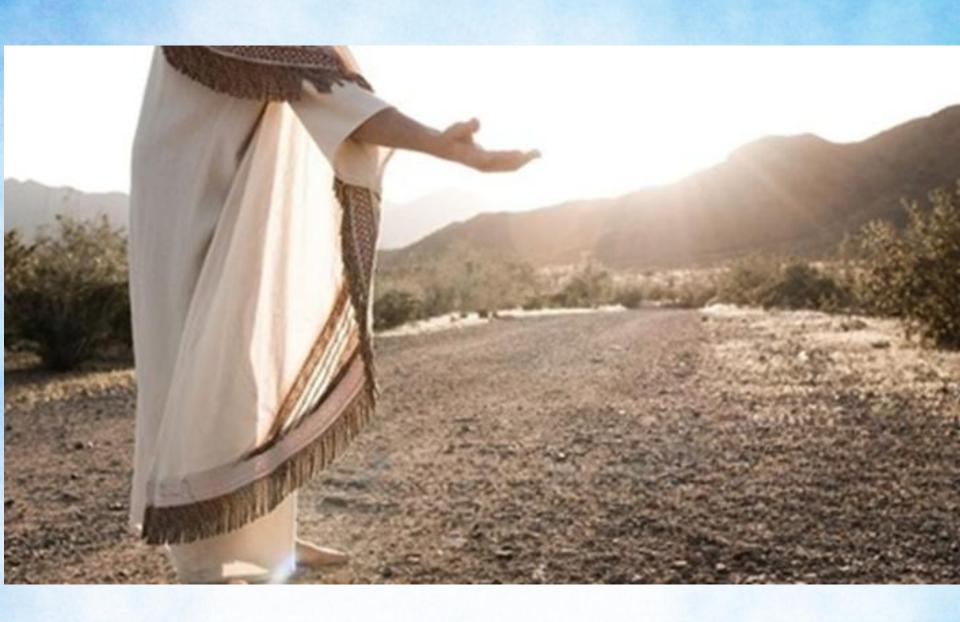
Jesus Announces
His Passion and
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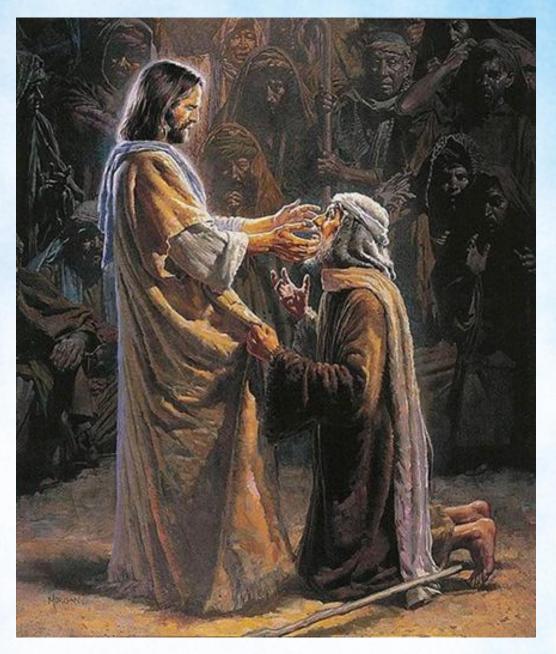




Jesus brings salvation



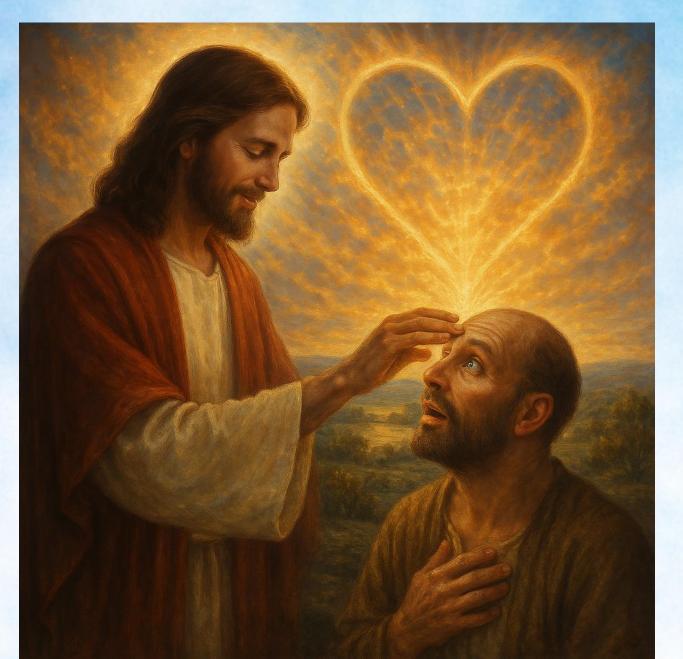












C: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

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.

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;

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.

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.

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

Each petition will end with the words,

A: Merciful God,

C: Hear our prayer.

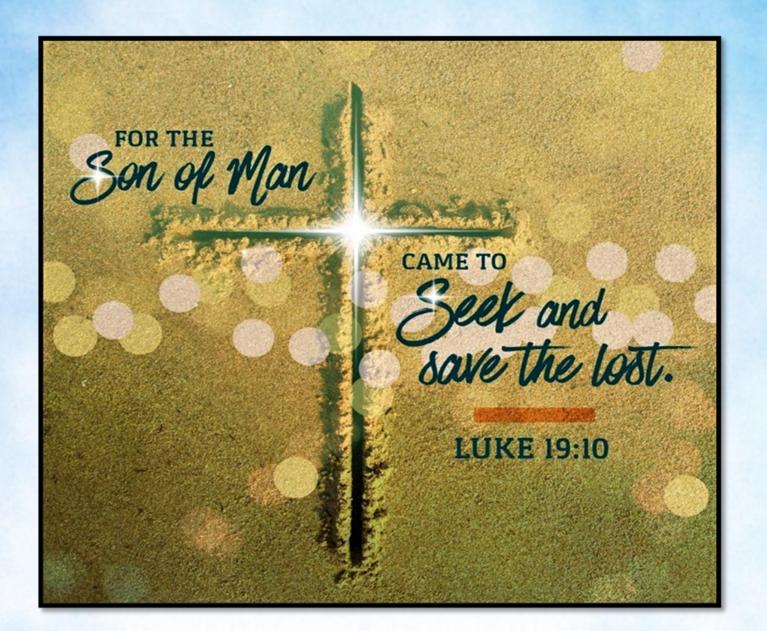
### \* PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

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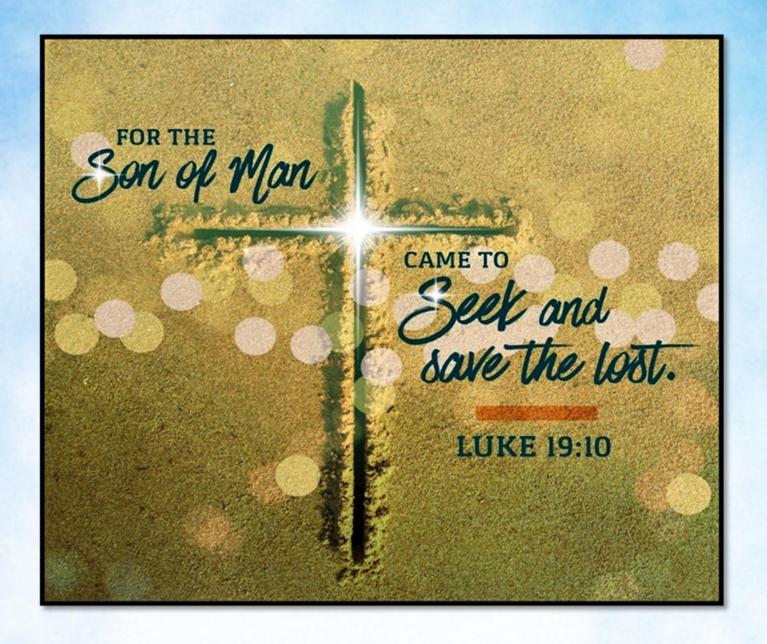
P: We entrust all these prayers and those of our hearts to you, O God. In Jesus name we pray.

C: Amen.

### OFFERING



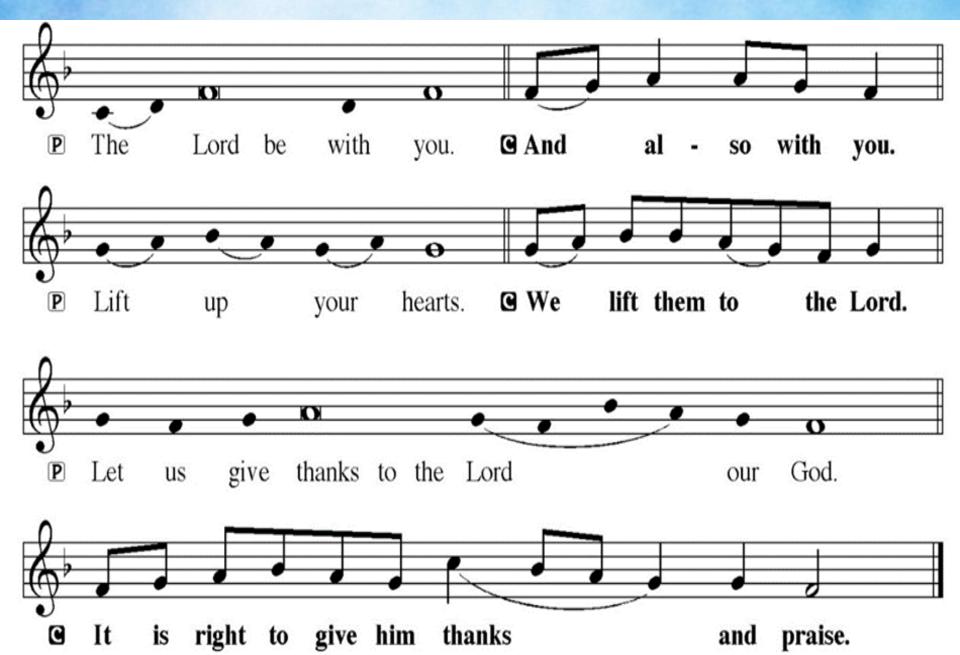
### \* OFFERING PRAYER



### \* THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

All the Baptized are welcome to celebrate this Holy Meal.

### \* DIALOGUE

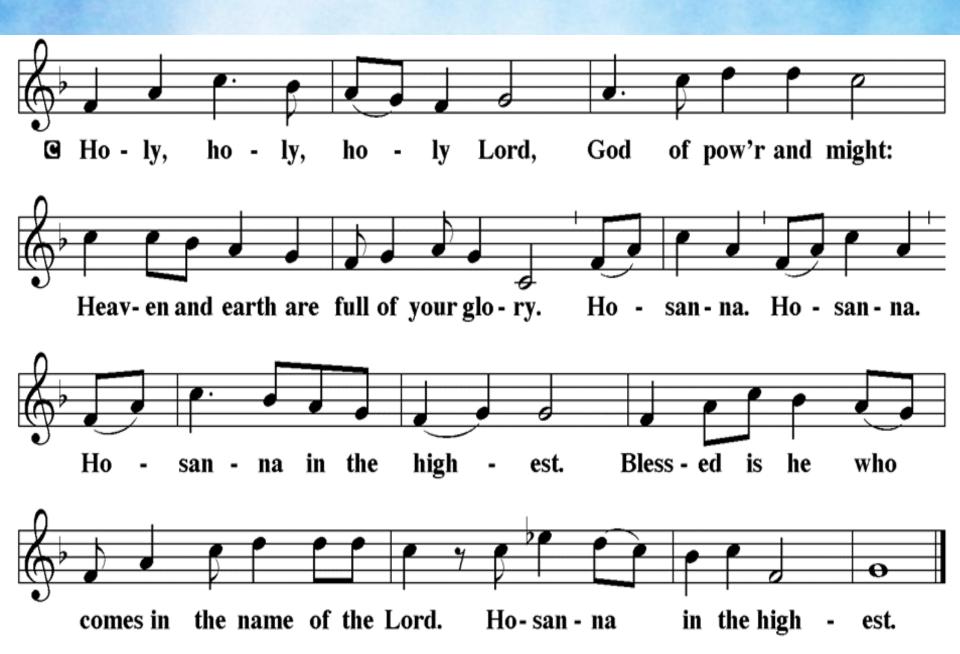


### \* THE PREFACE

P: It is indeed right and salutary...

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

### \* THE SANCTUS



### \* EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

P: Holy God...

...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: We do not have to cry out or climb a tree to see Jesus—he is present here with us in this holy meal. All are invited to dine with him today. Come and be fed!

#### COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

All will commune "At the Railing".

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 CANTACLE



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



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

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P: Let us pray... Generous Host, you have shared your feast with us and made us new. Send us now to set tables of love and grace in our communities, that your liberating love might nourish the world into freedom, in the name of the crucified one, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

P: Gracious God, whose mercy endures from generation to generation: bless those who go forth to share your word and sacrament with our sisters and brothers who are sick or homebound.

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P: In your love and care, nourish and strengthen those to whom we bring this communion, that through the body and blood of your Son we may all know the hope of your promised coming in Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS



### \* SENDING BLESSING

P: God our tender parent, God the crucified one, God the reconciling Spirit, + bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

\* Sending Song
"Be Thou My Vision"
ELW 793

## \*"Be Thou My Vision"

**ELW 793** 

1 Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that thou art: thou my best thought both by day and by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

## \*"Be Thou My Vision" ELW 793

2 Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word; I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord. Thou my soul's shelter, and thou my high tow'r, raise thou me heav'nward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.

## \*"Be Thou My Vision"

**ELW 793** 

3 Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise, thou mine inheritance, now and always: thou and thou only, the first in my heart, great God of heaven, my treasure thou art.

## \*"Be Thou My Vision" ELW 793

4 Light of my soul, after victory won, may I reach heaven's joys, O heaven's Sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

\* DISMISSAL

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

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

POSTLUDE

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