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Daniel 2:24-49
August 4, 2024



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GATHERING

- **Prelude** **Roxanne Groff**
- **Office of the Acolyte and Ringing of the Bell**
- **Welcome** **Pr Mel Musser**

*** CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

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

P: We confess our sins before God and one another.

Pause for silence and reflection.

P: Merciful and holy God,

C: You have called us to follow you in the way of justice, mercy, lovingkindness, and care for all the earth. In our human frailty we have turned away, letting our fears drive us to actions or inactions that cause harm to ourselves, our neighbors, and our world. Draw us back into your loving arms. Wipe away our fears and our mistakes, that with clean hearts we might live to serve you and all of creation.

P: Hear this word of hope, beloved of God. Our God is rich in mercy and abundant in love and forgives you all your sins for the sake of Jesus Christ, who lives within and among us, and invites us to have life abundantly.

C: Amen.



1 Here in this place the new light is stream-ing, now is the dark - ness
 2 We are the young, our lives are a mys - t'ry, we are the old who
 3 Here we will take the wine and the wa - ter, here we will take the
 4 Not in the dark of build-ings con - fin - ing, not in some heav - en,



van - ished a - way; see in this space our fears and our dream-ings
 yearn for your face; we have been sung through - out all of his - t'ry,
 bread of new birth, here you shall call your sons and your daugh-ers,
 light years a - way— here in this place the new light is shin - ing,



brought here to you in the light of this day.
 called to be light to the whole hu - man race.
 call us a - new to be salt for the earth.
 now is the king - dom, and now is the day.



Gath-er us in, the lost and for - sak - en, gath-er us in, the
 Gath-er us in, the rich and the haugh-ty, gath-er us in, the
 Give us to drink the wine of com-pas - sion, give us to eat the
 Gath-er us in and hold us for - ev - er, gath-er us in and



blind and the lame; call to us now, and we shall a - wak - en,
 proud and the strong; give us a heart, so meek and so low - ly,
 bread that is you; nour-ish us well, and teach us to fash - ion
 make us your own; gath-er us in, all peo - ples to - geth - er,



we shall a - rise at the sound of our name.
 give us the cour - age to en - ter the song.
 lives that are ho - ly and hearts that are true.
 fire . . of love in our flesh and our bone.

* 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.

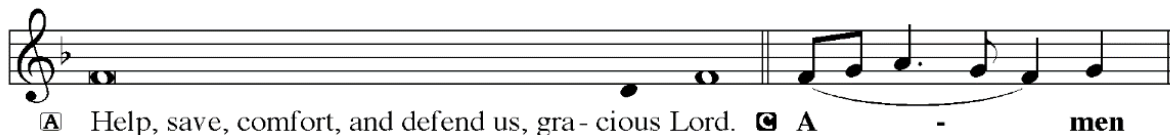
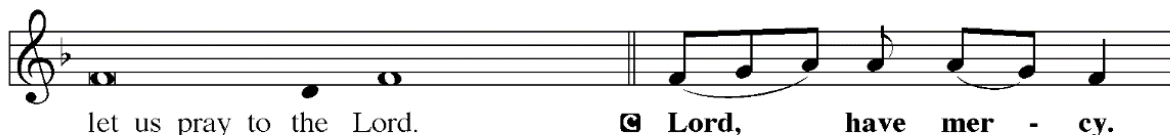
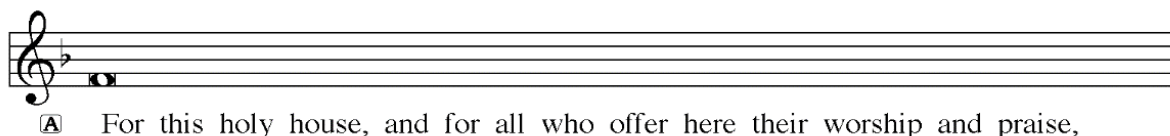
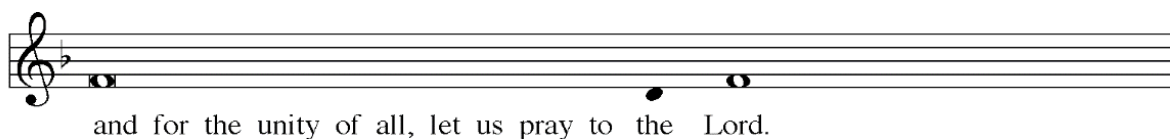
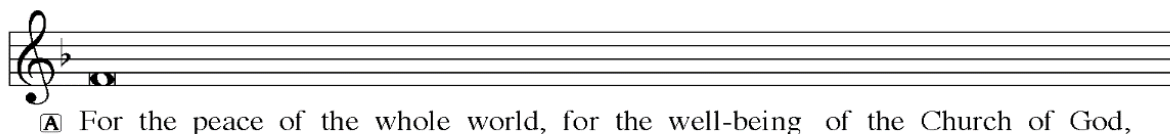
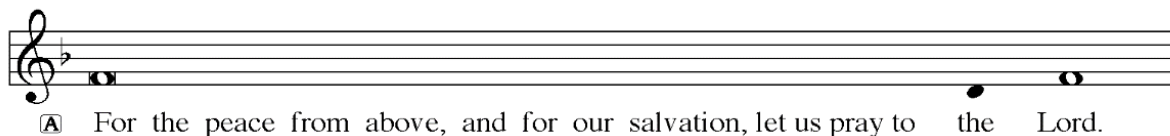
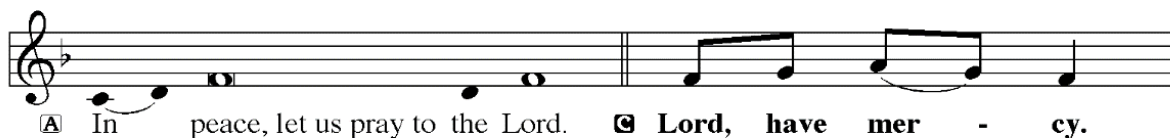
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* **KYRIE**



* **HYMN OF PRAISE**



1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:
Son of God and gra - cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;
Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.
Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand.
For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

* **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: Let us pray... Word of Life, you communicate with us in so many ways. We hear your words spoken to us both through people we like and people we do not like. We hear your voice in the wind and the waves and the sounds of nature. We dream dreams that draw us deeper into your mystery. Continue to speak to us that we might hear your call to the life you would have us lead. In Jesus' name we pray.

C: **Amen.**

- **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**



Theme: Jesus is always with us

Materials: None

Scripture: Daniel 2:24-49

Hello boys and girls! I hope you all had a great week! Can I tell you about a dream I had the other night? I was all alone and it was dark. I couldn't find my way to where I was going. It was very scary... Have any of you ever had a scary dream? Sometimes we dream about monsters or ghosts and they can be very scary.

Did you know God sometimes uses dreams to tell us things we need to know. In the Bible, lots of people have dreams. Joseph from the Old Testament had many dreams and he was able to help other people understand their dreams too. Another person from the Bible who could tell the meaning of dreams was a man called Daniel. One time he saved many lives because God gave him the ability to tell the King what his nightmare was really all about.

King Nebuchadnezzar dreamed about a giant statue with a head of gold, shoulders and arms of silver, a middle of bronze, legs of iron, and feet made of clay. All of a sudden a rock smashed the feet of clay and the entire statue came tumbling down.

One thing we can learn from the King's dream is that you can only be as strong as your weakest part. The giant statue was toppled over because its feet were not as strong as the rest of the statue. I wonder how we can be strong in our world today...

One way for us to be strong is to be followers of Jesus. Jesus promised us that he will always be with us, no matter what happens. Even when we have bad dreams and we wake up afraid, Jesus is with us and we don't have to be afraid because we know we're not alone. That really helped me when I had that bad dream about being alone in the dark. Jesus also said that He is the light of the world. He meant that He would always help us to stay on the right path and not fall into sin. I'm sure happy that Jesus is my friend and that He will never leave me alone.

Let's pray... Dear God, thank you for giving us your Son, Jesus to be our constant friend and companion. Help us when we're afraid to remember that Jesus is always with us everywhere we go, even when we have bad dreams. Amen.

• **A READING OF SCRIPTURE: Daniel 2:24-49**

R: Our scripture reading is from Daniel, Chapter 2.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁴Therefore Daniel went to Arioch, whom the king had appointed to destroy the wise men of Babylon, and said to him, “Do not destroy the wise men of Babylon; bring me in before the king, and I will give the king the interpretation.” ²⁵Then Arioch quickly brought Daniel before the king and said to him: “I have found among the exiles from Judah a man who can tell the king the interpretation.” ²⁶The king said to Daniel, whose name was Belteshazzar, “Are you able to tell me the dream that I have seen and its interpretation?” ²⁷Daniel answered the king, “No wise men, enchanter, magicians, or diviners can show to the king the mystery that the king is asking, ²⁸but there is a God in heaven who reveals mysteries, and he has disclosed to King Nebuchadnezzar what will happen at the end of days. Your dream and the visions of your head as you lay in bed were these: ²⁹To you, O king, as you lay in bed, came thoughts of what would be hereafter, and the revealer of mysteries disclosed to you what is to be. ³⁰But as for me, this mystery has not been revealed to me because of any wisdom that I have more than any other living being, but in order that the interpretation may be known to the king and that you may understand the thoughts of your mind.

³¹“You were looking, O king, and lo! there was a great statue. This statue was huge, its brilliance extraordinary; it was standing before you, and its appearance was frightening. ³²The head of that statue was of fine gold, its chest and arms of silver, its middle and thighs of bronze, ³³its legs of iron, its feet partly of iron and partly of clay. ³⁴As you looked on, a stone was cut out, not by human hands, and it struck the statue on its feet of iron and clay and broke them in pieces. ³⁵Then the iron, the clay, the bronze, the silver, and the gold, were all broken in pieces and became like the chaff of the summer threshing floors; and the wind carried them away, so that not a trace of them could be found. But the stone that struck the statue became a great mountain and filled the whole earth. ³⁶“This was the dream; now we will tell the king its interpretation. ³⁷You, O king, the king of kings—to whom the God of heaven has given the kingdom, the power, the might, and the glory, ³⁸into whose hand he has given human beings, wherever they live, the wild animals of the field, and the birds of the air, and whom he has established as ruler over them all—you are the head of gold. ³⁹After you shall arise another kingdom inferior to yours, and yet a third kingdom of bronze, which shall rule over the whole earth. ⁴⁰And there shall be a fourth kingdom, strong as iron; just as iron crushes and smashes everything, it shall crush and shatter all these. ⁴¹As you saw the feet and toes partly of potter’s clay and partly of iron, it shall be a divided

kingdom; but some of the strength of iron shall be in it, as you saw the iron mixed with the clay. ⁴²As the toes of the feet were part iron and part clay, so the kingdom shall be partly strong and partly brittle. ⁴³As you saw the iron mixed with clay, so will they mix with one another in marriage, but they will not hold together, just as iron does not mix with clay. ⁴⁴And in the days of those kings the God of heaven will set up a kingdom that shall never be destroyed, nor shall this kingdom be left to another people. It shall crush all these kingdoms and bring them to an end, and it shall stand forever; ⁴⁵just as you saw that a stone was cut from the mountain not by hands, and that it crushed the iron, the bronze, the clay, the silver, and the gold. The great God has informed the king what shall be hereafter. The dream is certain, and its interpretation trustworthy.”

⁴⁶Then King Nebuchadnezzar fell on his face, worshiped Daniel, and commanded that a grain offering and incense be offered to him. ⁴⁷The king said to Daniel, “Truly, your God is God of gods and Lord of kings and a revealer of mysteries, for you have been able to reveal this mystery!” ⁴⁸Then the king promoted Daniel, gave him many great gifts, and made him ruler over the whole province of Babylon and chief prefect over all the wise men of Babylon. ⁴⁹Daniel made a request of the king, and he appointed Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego over the affairs of the province of Babylon. But Daniel remained at the king’s court.

R: This is the Word of the Lord!

C: Praise to You, O Christ (*Spoken*)

- **SERMON**

Pr. Mel Musser

Grace and peace to you from God our Father and from the Rock of our

Salvation, Jesus Christ our Lord, amen.

Today we begin a five week focus on the Book of Daniel. This is exciting to me because I’ve never preached on Daniel before and it’s a kind of odd , weird book. I’ve thought of Daniel as one of the prophets, (**SLIDE**) but the Hebrew Bible doesn’t place Daniel alongside the other prophets like Isaiah or Ezekiel, or Jeremiah. Rather Daniel is placed with the books of history and poetry scholars refer to as “The Writings.” Besides history and poetry, this book contains what

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scholars call “Court Stories” and the only Apocalyptic writing of the Old Testament. There are several examples of Apocalyptic writings in the New Testament, the Book of Revelation being the first to come to mind. Preacher and Evangelist Billy Graham once called Daniel the ABC of prophecy and the book of Revelation as the XYZ.

In today’s reading we have one of the “Court Stories.” (SLIDE) The probably fictional character, Daniel, and his friends have been taken into exile when the Babylonian king Nebuchadnezzar conquered Jerusalem. Although Nebuchadnezzar was ruthless in conquest, he was a fairly good king. He sent Daniel and his friends to the best schools so they could learn the Babylonian history and culture. They were allowed to live in the royal palace and court of the king. You might say Nebuchadnezzar was grooming Daniel to become a wise man in his royal court. This was the same culture that 600 or so years later produced what we call the three wise men who came to honor and worship the infant Jesus after his birth in Bethlehem.

Today’s reading is our Court Story. It’s about a troubling dream and its interpretation. All of us dream. (SLIDE) The experts say most of us dream for about one hour out of every eight hours we sleep. Most of the dreams seem to come during that last hour of sleep when we are beginning to awaken. Throughout history people have been fascinated by dreams. The Bible advises us be skeptical

about dreams. I've heard it said dreams are more indigestion than inspiration...

Part of this court story that came right before the section we read includes this little tidbit of information... "Then Daniel went to his home and informed his companions, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah,¹⁸ and told them to seek mercy from the God of heaven concerning this mystery, so that Daniel and his companions with the rest of the wise men of Babylon might not perish. In other words, Daniel asked his family and friends to pray. (SLIDE) Before uttering a single word to the king, Daniel sought out the prayers of everyone he knew who was of faith. Daniel had no delusions that he would be able to describe the King's dream, let alone its interpretation, without divine revelation. His faith in God was that strong! So, then, what was the dream about and why is it relevant for us today?

(SLIDE) To begin, I have to admit there's a lot of controversy regarding the actual kingdoms alluded to in the king's dream. Some say all the kingdoms, from the golden head to the feet of iron and clay have already come and gone. Others say we're still living in one or another of them. Some say the various kingdoms rise and fall in sequential order, while others believe they may have all existed simultaneously. Personally, I believe some parts of all the former kingdoms still exist today as certain aspects of each one have been preserved in our culture. The one thing from this dream and its interpretation I think is totally obvious, even to the most casual of observers, is Jesus Christ is the rock that destroys and consumes

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all the earthly kingdoms and His kingdom will never end. (SLIDE) There will come a day, as Saint Paul wrote, when every knee will bend and every voice will confess, Jesus Christ is Lord.

Most of you know I love Rock music. PJ and I go to lot's of concerts... I probably have as many rock music lyrics memorized as I do Bible verses. Yet, no matter how much I enjoy rock music there is only on rock that forms the foundation of my faith and life, and that rock is Jesus Christ. There's a story about when they were building the temple in Jerusalem. None of the huge stone bricks were drawn from or squared off on the site of the temple. They were brought in from rock quarries far away, probably because the site for the temple was considered too sacred and the digging and chiseling of all those stones was an extremely noisy and dirty business. One day a very odd stone arrived from the quarry. The builders thought it was too strange to be used in the construction, so they discarded it. After a time they were waiting for the main cornerstone to be delivered, but when it didn't arrive they sent word to the quarrymen, asking where the cornerstone was. The reply came back that it had already been cut and sent. (SLIDE) The cornerstone was that odd stone the builders had rejected. Later, in Matthew, Mark and Luke's Gospels, Jesus refers to himself as that stone, rejected by the builders, that has become the head of the corner.

In our scripture reading, the rock that strikes the kingdoms of this world is Jesus Christ. In our creeds we confess Jesus will judge the living and the dead. The message is clear---God's kingdom, led by Jesus Christ, is sovereign over all earthly kingdoms. Isaiah the prophet proclaimed the same truth: "The Lord Almighty will be...a stone that causes men to stumble and a rock that makes them fall." (Isaiah 8:14) Much of the discord in our country today comes from those who understand the sovereignty of the Lord our God and those who believe the highest power is held by the government. (SLIDE) This court story from Daniel is meant to show us which of those two kingdoms is really sovereign. The main point of this entire episode from the life and times of our hero Daniel is the confession made by King Nebuchadnezzar when he declares, "Truly, your God is God of gods and Lord of kings and a revealer of mysteries, for you have been able to reveal this mystery!" (SLIDE) This comes from the man who successfully conquered the known world from Babylon to Egypt. Yet, because God worked through Daniel to interpret his troublesome dream, he now recognizes the Lordship of the God of Israel.

Tales from the royal court of a king from nearly 3000 years ago are interesting, but what real value do they have for us all the way down here in the 21st century? What can we take as a lesson for us today? Daniel, like us today, lived in a secular world where the one true and living God was marginalized, or

outright rejected. Yet, despite the pressures from the culture, Daniel refused to give in to the prevailing cultural values and morales. Instead, Daniel and his friends, stood firm in the face of what must have been tremendous pressure to go along and get along. We all experience that kind of peer pressure today. It's getting harder and harder to live our Christian values in the secular society in which we live. (SLIDE) Yet, we are called to live in this world, but to not become part of it. We are the Evangelical Lutheran Church IN America, not the Evangelical Lutheran Church OF America.

I'll close with a story that dates back to 1743. That was the year George Frederick Handel presented his masterpiece, "The Messiah," for the first time in London. The British king was in the audience. When the orchestra played the majestic "Hallelujah Chorus," the King was so moved that he stood. When he did, everybody else stood up too. (SLIDE) That's where the custom originated of standing when the Hallelujah Chorus is played. They did not stand to honor the King of England; they were honoring the King of kings who judges every king and president and prime minister. All the pundits on CNN, ABC, NBC, CBS or Fox News spend their days analyzing every move of our political leaders make and sometimes it makes for interesting entertainment, but the only verdict that matters is rendered by our Almighty and Sovereign God. We temporarily reside in this world, but our true allegiance belongs with the Kingdom that has no end. We

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belong to the one rock of our salvation, (SLIDE) the rock who gave us birth into this life where we serve the King of all, Jesus Christ.

May Jesus Christ be not just the King of Kings and Lord of Lords, but also the King and Lord of your life as well. When society pressures you to conform, may you stand on the firm foundation of faith in Jesus Christ as the eternal Son of the Living God. May your words and your actions be seen by others so they will know there is a God who not only judges, but loves them forever. Amen.

Silence may be kept for meditation...

* **APOSTLES' CREED**

The Nicene Creed is said on all festivals and on Sundays in the seasons of Advent, Christmas, Lent, and Easter. The Apostles' Creed is said at other times. The Creed is omitted here if the service of Holy Baptism or another rite with a creed is used.

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

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

➤ *Or, He descended to the dead.*

* **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

L: Trusting in God's power and mercy, we pray for the church, the world, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

L: Throughout history nations have risen and fallen, O God. Relieve us of our projection to some imagined future, good or bad, and anchor us in the reality of

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this moment and in the unalterable truth that you alone are God; that you alone are eternal. God of mystery,

C: We lift our prayers to you.

L: Each successive power in the world has wrought destruction on your beautiful creation, striving for material wealth at the expense of nature's health. Make us to work tirelessly to repair the damage, and to protect the world from further degradation. God of mystery,

C: We lift our prayers to you.

L: Make leaders at every level, from local committees to national governments, attuned to the highest good of all those they oversee. Give them the humility to put the needs of others before their own. God of mystery,

C: We lift our prayers to you.

L: So many suffer trauma and pain from sickness, poverty, war, addiction, and more. Surround all who struggle with your healing love, (*especially...*) God of mystery,

C: We lift our prayers to you.

L: In this election year, grant wisdom to all candidates, voters, election officials, and all involved in selecting those who will lead us. God of mystery,

C: We lift our prayers to you.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

L: We remember with joy all the saints who have led us in your word and in the world. Inspire us by their example to work for peace and justice. God of mystery,

C: We lift our prayers to you.

P: Confident in your life-giving love, we lift these prayers and all those in our hearts into your loving care.

C: Amen.

MEAL

• OFFERING

P: As we collect our offering here in person, those worshipping with us through the internet may go to our website located at www.pitsburgtlc.org where you'll find a button labeled "Give to Trinity." You can make your offering to God through our secure website.

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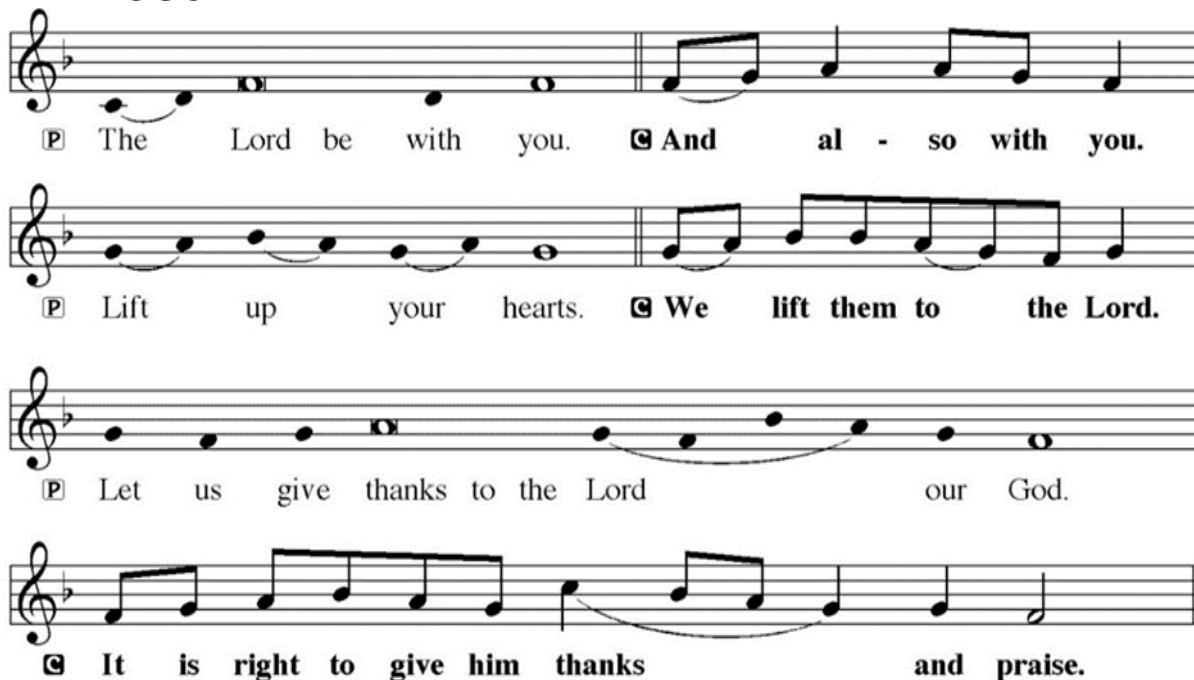
* OFFERTORY PRAYER

P: Let us pray for the offerings we receive this day ...Loving God, you have given each of us all that we need to live a meaningful life. In gratitude we return to you these gifts out of your own abundance to us. Use them for the sake of all who struggle, that they might know your love.

C: Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

* DIALOGUE



The musical notation consists of four staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff has a 'P' (Priest) and a 'C' (Congregation) symbol. The second staff also has a 'P' and a 'C' symbol. The third staff has a 'P' symbol. The fourth staff has a 'C' symbol. The lyrics are: '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 him thanks and praise.'

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

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

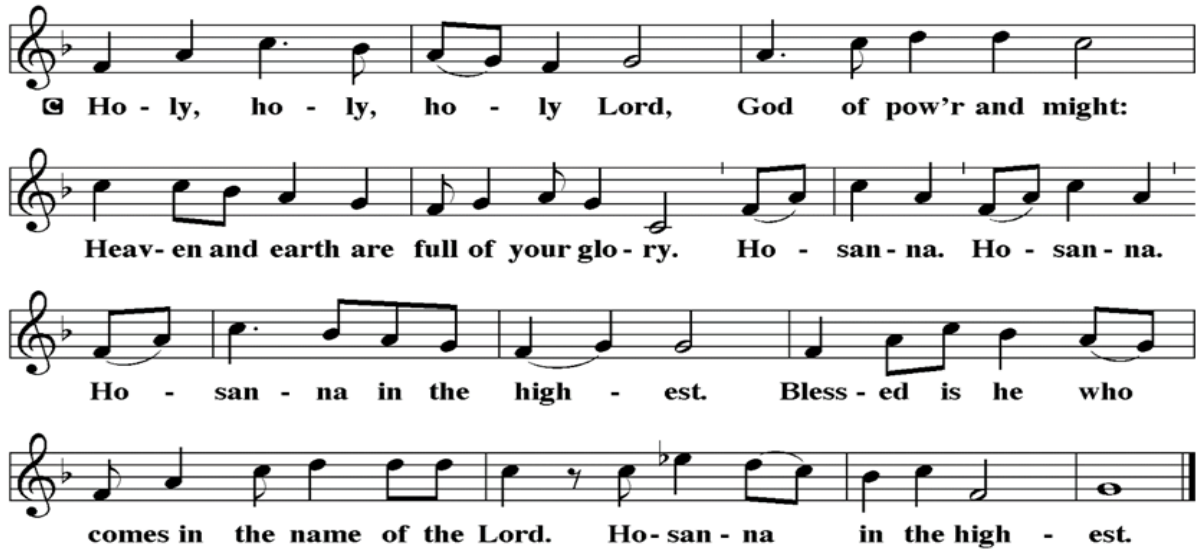
P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give him thanks and praise.

* THE PREFACE

P: It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through 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. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, 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.

* **EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER**

P: Holy God, our Maker, Redeemer, and Healer, in the harmonious world of your creation, the plants and animals, the seas and stars were whole and well in your praise. When sin had scarred the world, you sent your Son to heal our ills and to form us again into one.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his acts of healing, his body given up, and his victory over death, we await that day when all the peoples of the earth will come to the river to enjoy the tree of life.

Send your Spirit upon us and this meal: as grains scattered on the hillside become one bread, so let your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth, that all may be fed with the Bread of life, your Son. Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.

C: Amen

*** THE LORD'S PRAYER**

P: United into one through Jesus Christ Our Lord, we pray as Jesus taught...

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.

*** INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

P: The God who inspired Daniel to delve into the mysteries of dreams now invites you into the mystery of Jesus' presence in the bread and wine at this holy table. Come and be fed and nourished for a life in the Spirit!

• COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

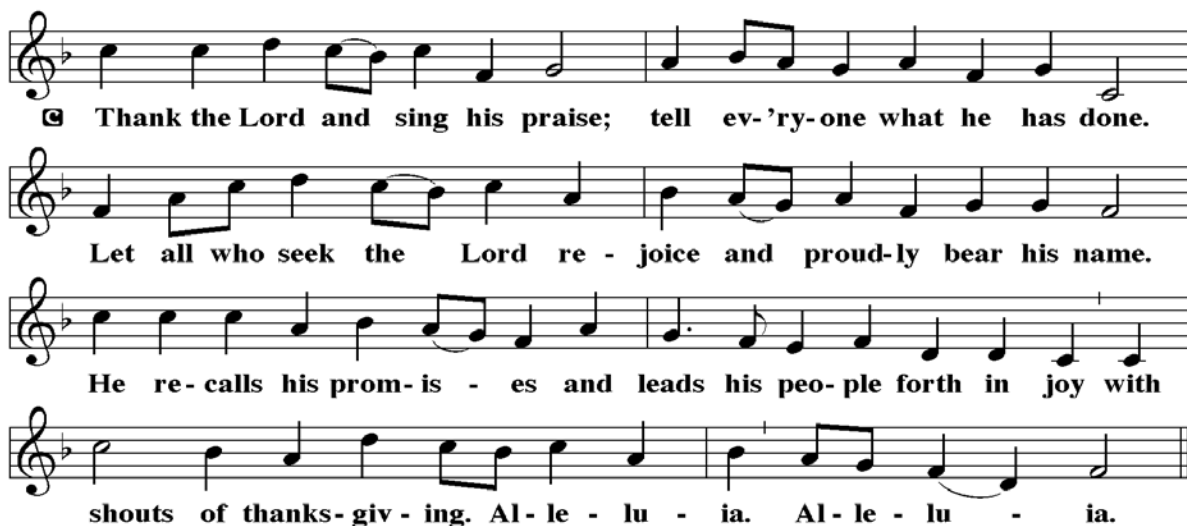
Communion is at the rail. As the ministers give the bread and wine, they may say these words to each communicant:

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

The communicant may say: **Amen.**

*** POST COMMUNION CANTICLE**



☞ 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.

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

shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

*** POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

P: Let us pray... Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray.

C: Amen

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SENDING

- **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- * **SENDING BLESSING**

P: The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, be upon you now and forever.

C: Amen.

- * **SENDING HYMN “My Hope Is Built On Nothing Less” LBW 293**



1 My hope is built on noth-ing less than Je-sus' blood and righ-teous-ness;
2 Whendark-ness veils his love-ly face, I rest on his un - chang-ing grace;
3 His oath, his cov - e - nant, his blood sus - tain me in the rag - ing flood;
4 When he shall come with trum-pet sound, oh, may I then in him be found,



no mer-it of my own I claim, but whol - ly lean on Je - sus' name.
in ev - 'ry high and storm - y gale my an - chor holds with-in the veil.
when all sup-ports are washed a-way, he then is all my hope and stay.
clothed in his righ-teous-ness a-lone, re - deemed to stand be - fore the throne!

Refrain



On Christ, the sol - id rock, I stand; all oth - er ground is



sink - ing sand, all oth - er ground is sink - ing sand.

- * **DISMISSAL**

P: Thank you all for joining us to worship our great and gracious God! Thanks also to our Facebook and other social media viewers for joining us as well. We're glad you're with us today. Until the next time we gather together as God's people to offer our worship and praise, depart in Christ's Love.

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

- * Please stand if able

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Scripture readings for next Sunday, August 11th
Daniel 3:1-30

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Health Tips for the Week

BODY: Swimming is good for overall cardiovascular and muscular conditioning.

MIND: Keep a memory book with pictures, quotes, and letters from events that are special to you.

SPIRIT: Learn to live a simple life with simple pleasures.

This Week @ Trinity – August 4 thru August 11:

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Sun, Aug. 4	9:30 am	Christian Conversations (Coffee/Juice and Donuts)
	10:30 am	Worship Service
Wed, Aug. 7	11:30 am	WELCA Planning Meeting
Thurs, Aug. 8	10:00 am	Prayers & Squares Quilting
Fri, Aug. 9	3:30 pm	FISH Choice Food Pantry
Sun, Aug. 11	9:30 am	Christian Conversations (Coffee/Juice and Donuts)
	10:30 am	Worship Service

Save The Date!

August 5, 2024	WELCA Planning Meeting
August 16-24, 2024	The Great Darke County Fair <i>Lutheran Day is Thursday, August 22nd</i>
August 25, 2024	Rally Day – <i>Sundaes on Sunday!</i>



Trinity is on the Air at FM 88.3

If you are near the Church on Sunday morning, you can tune in to FM 88.3 at 10:30 AM and hear the sermon from your car.

Holy Communion Delivery Available to ALL:

If you or anyone you know would like to have Holy Communion delivered to a home or place of business, please call Pastor Mel at 937-626-7100. He will bring a prefilled communion chalice including both sanctified wine and a morsel of bread all prepackaged from the Concordia True Vine company. This is a safe way to stay connected to your brothers and sisters in Christ.

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