

Trinity  
Evangelical  
Lutheran  
Church  
July 7, 2024

WELCOME!



*1 John 3:23  
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of his Son Jesus  
Christ, and love one  
another, as he gave us  
commandment.*

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

- **Prelude** *By Pam Sherman*
- **Office of the Acolyte and Ringing 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: Merciful God,

# **\* CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

**C: As we stand before you in the all-revealing light of your eternal love, we cannot help but see all the ways we have sinned and fallen short. We have done and said things that have caused harm to others. We have failed to do and say things for the sake of peace and justice. We have continuously sought after our own**

# **\* CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

**C: comfort, rather than your world-transforming love. Forgive us for our selfishness and shortsightedness, and bring us into the way of active love of you and neighbor each new day.**

# **\* CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

**L: The good news is that Jesus died to cleanse us from sin, and because of this, our joy can be complete. ✝  
Receive the forgiveness of all your sins, for the sake of Jesus Christ.**

**C: Amen.**

# \* Gathering Song

**“Lord, Whose  
Love in Humble  
Service”  
LBW 423**



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1 Lord, whose love in humble service  
bore the weight of human need,  
who upon the cross, forsaken,  
worked your mercy's perfect deed:  
we, your servants, bring the worship  
not of voice alone, but heart;  
consecrating to your purpose  
ev'ry gift which you impart.

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**2 Still your children wander homeless;  
still the hungry cry for bread;  
still the captives long for freedom;  
still in grief we mourn our dead.  
As you, Lord, in deep compassion  
healed the sick and freed the soul,  
by your Spirit send your power  
to our world to make it whole.**

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**3 As we worship, grant us vision,  
till your love's revealing light  
in its height and depth and greatness  
dawns upon our quickened sight,  
making known the needs and burdens  
your compassion bids us bear,  
stirring us to ardent service,  
your abundant life to share.**

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**4 Called by worship to your service,  
forth in your dear name we go,  
to the child, the youth, the aged,  
love in living deeds to show;  
hope and health, good will and comfort,  
counsel, aid and peace we give,  
that your servants, Lord, in freedom  
may your mercy know and live.**

# **\* APOSTOLIC GREETING**

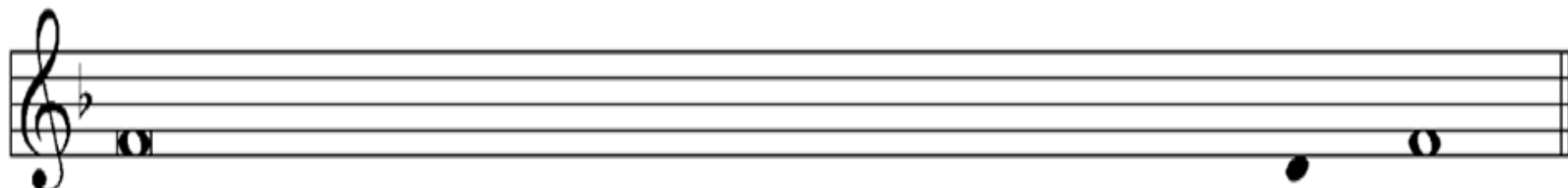
**P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
the love of God, and the communion  
of the Holy Spirit be with you all.**

**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 came to us in love, and then in love died to release us from our slavery to sin and death. Teach us this sacrificial love for you and for one another, not that we might literally die, though we should be willing, but that we might surrender ourselves completely to you, trusting in the life-giving, life-sustaining, and life-restoring power of your love.

**C: Amen**



# •Scripture Reading

**R: Our scripture reading for today is from First John, Chapter 3.**

**C: Glory to you O' Lord! *(Spoken)***

## **\* 1 John 3:16-24**

**<sup>16</sup>We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another.**

**<sup>17</sup>How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help? <sup>18</sup>Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. <sup>19</sup>And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will**

# **\* 1 John 3:16-24**

**reassure our hearts before him**

**<sup>20</sup>whenever our hearts condemn us;  
for God is greater than our hearts, and  
he knows everything. <sup>21</sup>Beloved, if our  
hearts do not condemn us, we have  
boldness before God; <sup>22</sup>and we receive  
from him whatever we ask, because  
we obey his commandments and do  
what pleases him.**

# **\* 1 John 3:16-24**

**<sup>23</sup>And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. <sup>24</sup>All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.**

# \* 1 John 3:16-24

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

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



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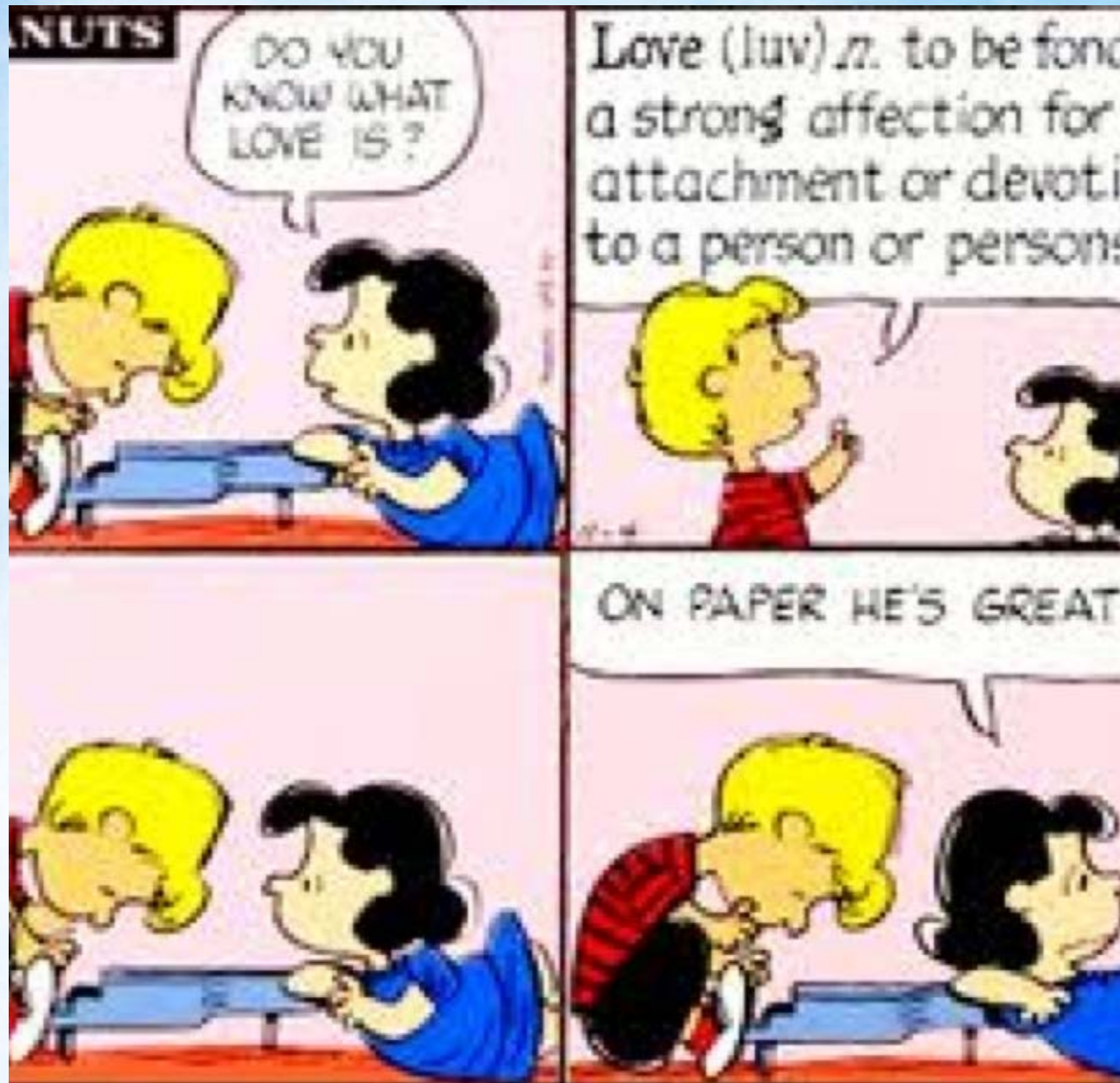


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*Love in Action*  
1 John 3:18

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LOVE IN  
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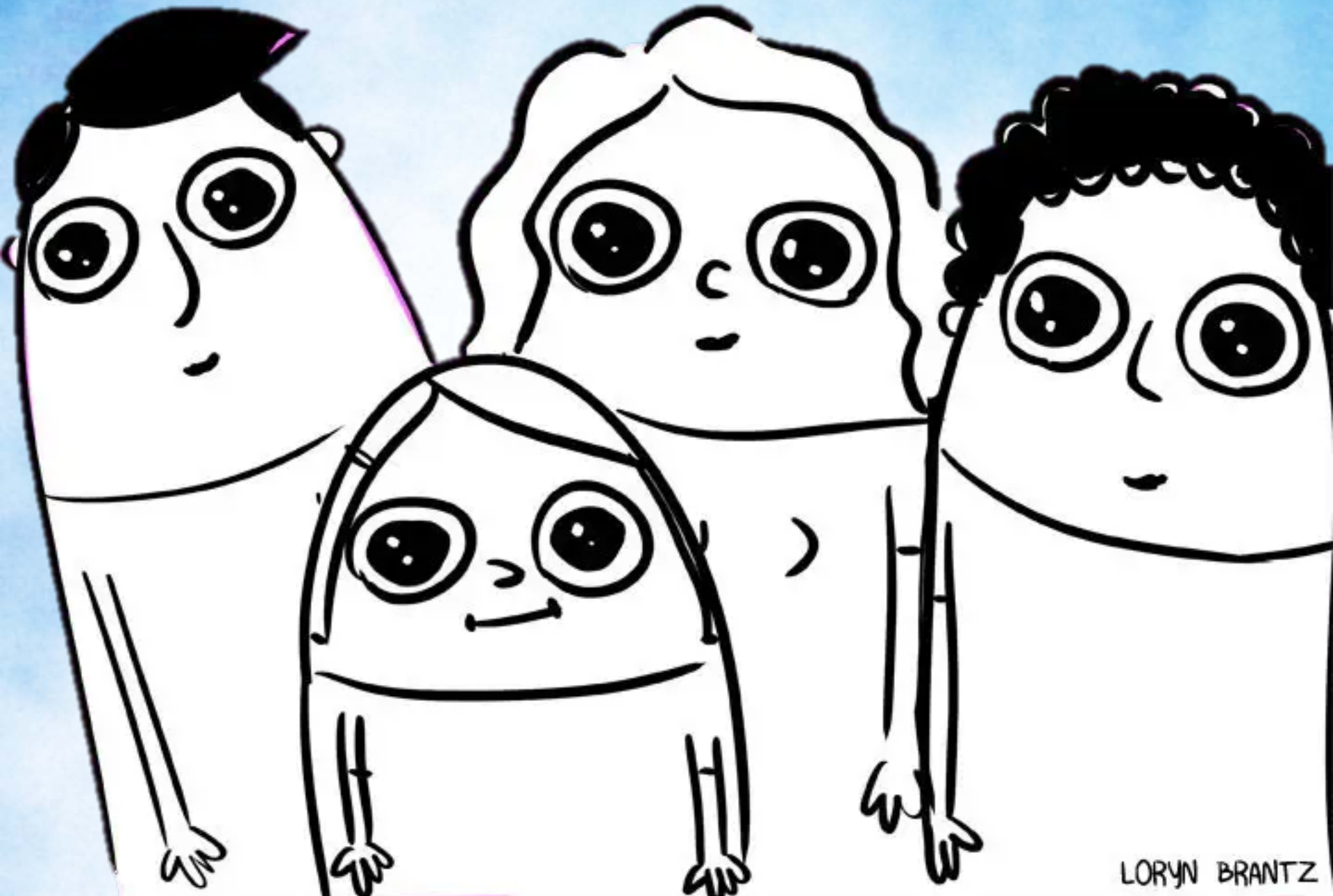
LOVE

REQUIRES

FAITH



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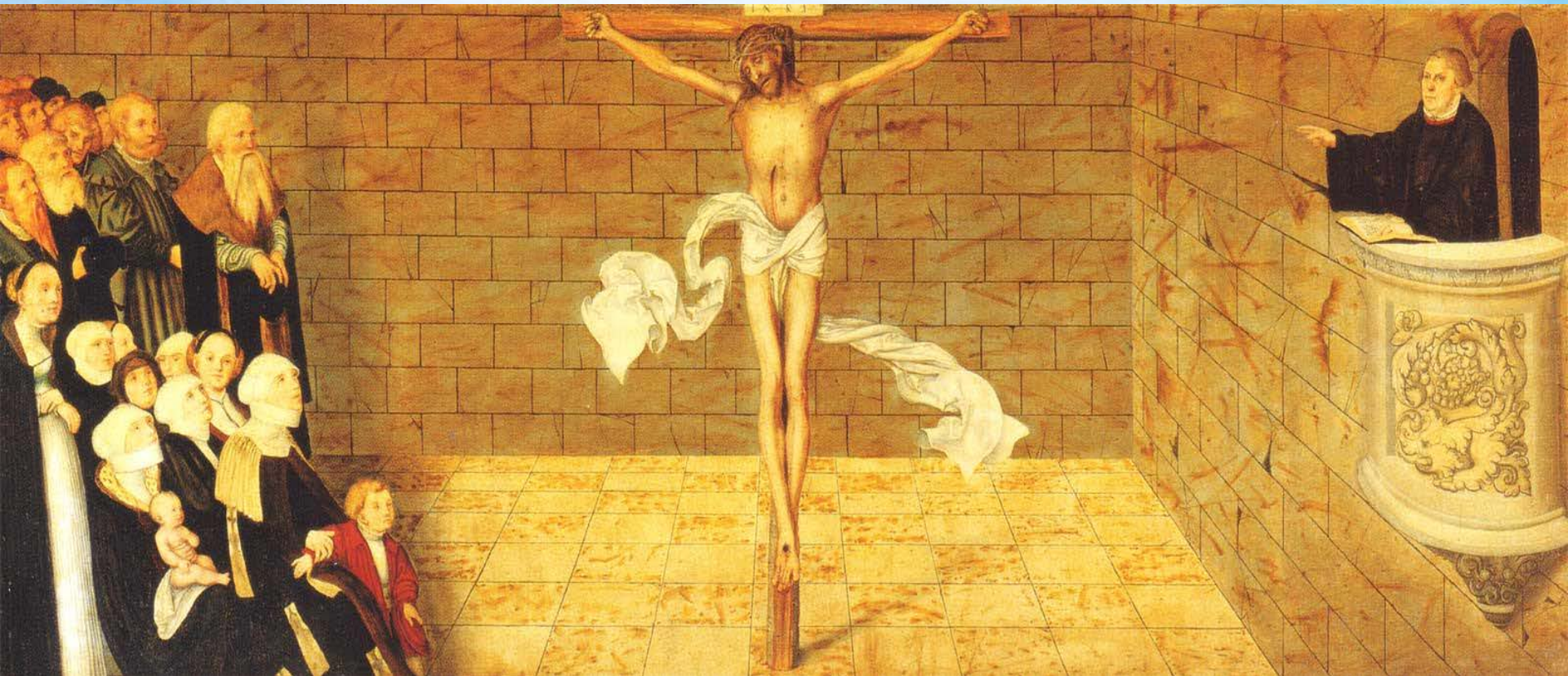


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We love because  
**he first loved us.**

# SERMON



# **SERMON**

## **Dictionary**

**Definitions from Oxford Languages**

**a·gape -- adjective**

**(of the mouth) wide open, especially with surprise or wonder.**

# SERMON



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# **\* APOSTLE'S CREED**

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

## **\* APOSTLE'S CREED**

**C: 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.**

# **\* APOSTLE'S CREED**

**C: 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.**

# **\* APOSTLE'S CREED**

**C: 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.**

# \* PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

*Each petition will end with the words,*

**A: God of love,**

*The congregation will respond with:*

**C: We lift our prayers to you.**

# **\* PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

*The prayer concludes...*

**P:** With all our siblings in Christ here and around the world, we lift all our prayers to you, through Jesus Christ our savior and friend.

**C:** Amen.

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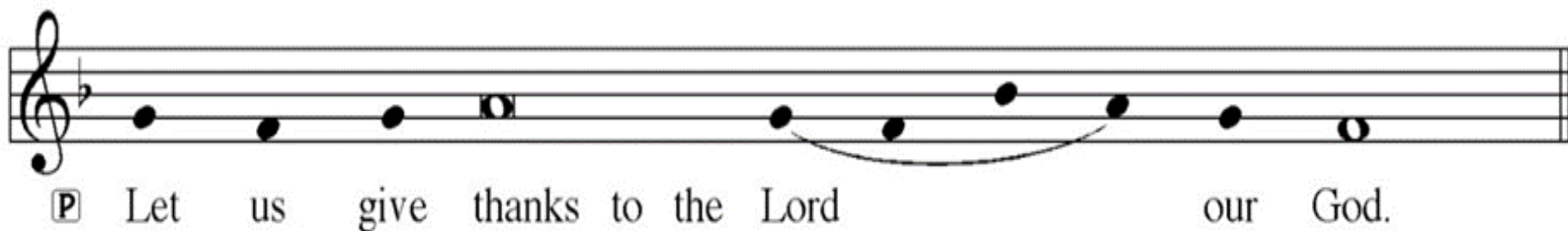
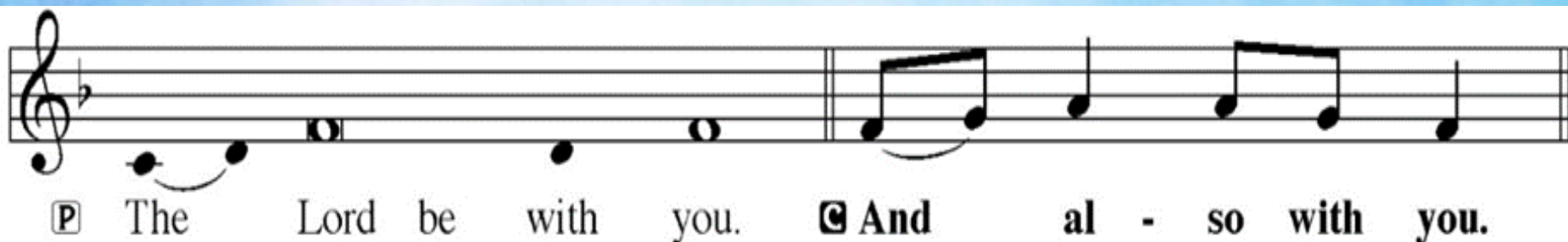
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# \* THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*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



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 maker and redeemer...**

**...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: Jesus, who laid down his life for you, now invites you to the feast of remembrance of his ultimate sacrifice, which was an act of incomprehensible love. Come, beloved of God, saved and released, and share in this meal with Jesus and with one another.**

- **COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION**

*All will commune “at the railing”.*

*The bread may be broken for distribution.*

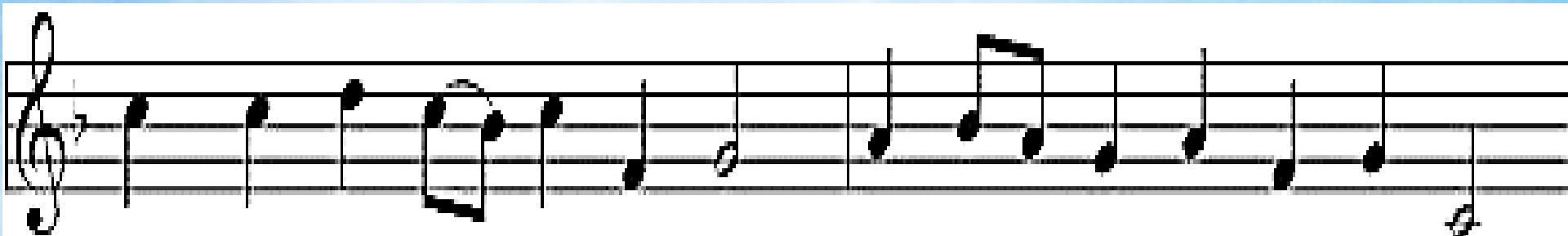
*As the ministers give the bread and wine,  
they say these words :*

The body of Christ, given for you.

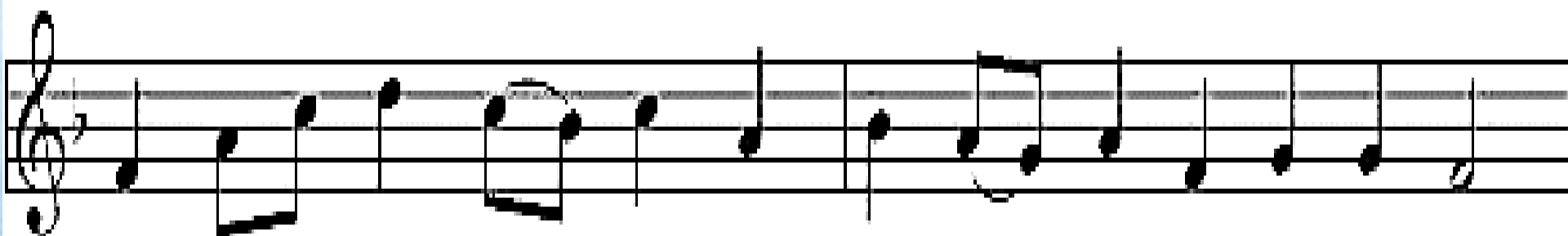
The blood of Christ, shed for you.

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

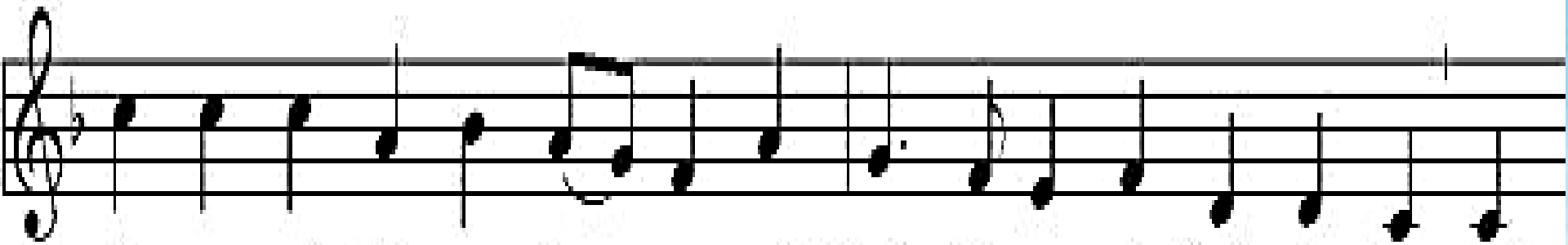
# \* POST COMMUNION CANTACLE



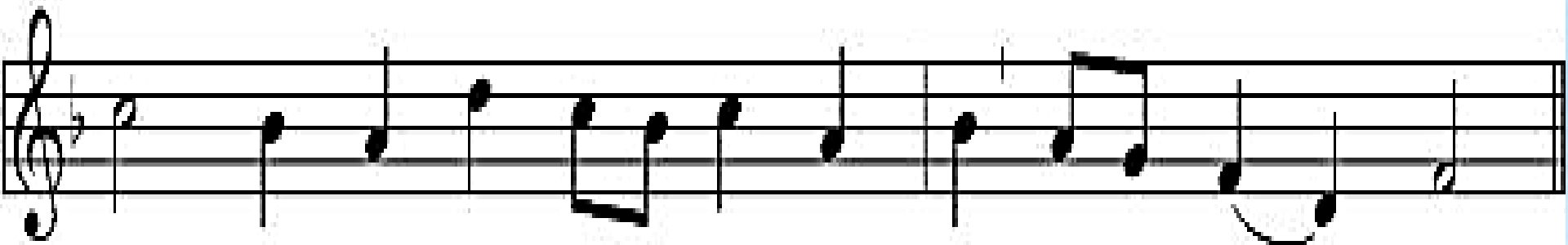
☪ Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.



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**

- **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*Church*  
*Announcements*

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# **\* 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  
Song**

**“Blest Be the Tie  
That Binds”  
LBW 370**



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# **\* “Blest Be the Tie That Binds”**

**LBW 370**

**1 Blest be the tie that binds  
our hearts in Christian love;  
the unity of heart and mind  
is like to that above.**

**2 Before our Father’s throne  
we pour our ardent prayers;  
our fears, our hopes, our aims are one,  
our comforts and our cares.**

**\* “Blest Be the Tie That Binds”**

**LBW 370**

**3 We share our mutual woes,  
our mutual burdens bear,  
and often for each other flows  
the sympathizing tear.**

**4 From sorrow, toil, and pain,  
and sin we shall be free;  
and perfect love and friendship reign  
through all eternity.**

# **\* DISMISSAL**

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

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

## **POSTLUDE**

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