

Hope Lutheran Chapel

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Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod



Christmas Day

December 25, 2023

Service Schedule

10 a.m. Communion Worship Service

11:00 a.m. Fellowship

11:20 a.m. Sunday School/Adult Bible Study

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WE WELCOME you in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. You are invited to open your heart to God's Word in Scripture, Sermon, and Song. Please sign our Record of Fellowship when passed during the Offering and introduce yourself to our Pastor upon leaving. **You are Always welcome here – this is your Father's House!** As we worship, we stand for some parts of the Liturgy. However, please feel free to remain seated if you prefer.

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS ARE AVAILABLE.

PLEASE ASK THE USHER IF YOU NEED ONE.

A cry room is available for fussy babies.

God Bless your worship with us!



Hope Lutheran Chapel Communion Statement: *If you are a confirmed member in good standing of a LCMS or an AALC congregation, are repentant of your sins, and believe Jesus gives you His true body and blood for the forgiveness of your sins in the Lord's Supper, you are welcome to commune with us today. (I Cor. 11:17-32) For Lutherans, receiving the Lord's Supper, is an action of the celebrating community, signifying a oneness in faith, life, and worship of the community. (I Cor. 10:14-22, 11:18-19, 26; Eph. 4:2-6) If you are a visitor from another Christian Church body or other faith, we welcome you to our service. As a sad consequence of the divisions in Christianity we cannot extend to you a general invitation to the Lord's Supper. Reception of the Lord's Supper by Christians not fully united with us would imply a oneness which does not yet exist, and for which we must all pray. If you are a visitor and not sure whether or not you should commune, please speak with the Pastor, Elder, or Usher before the service.*

Communion Note: For those who need assistance with the cup please hold out your hand and the Elder will hand it to you.

***If it is difficult for you to kneel at the rail,
please feel free to remain standing.***

Prelude

Opening Hymn ~ *Joy to the World*

LSB 387

- 1 Joy to the world, the Lord is come!
Let earth receive her King;
Let ev'ry heart prepare Him room
And heav'n and nature sing,
And heav'n and nature sing,
And heav'n, and heav'n and nature sing.
- 2 Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns!
Let men their songs employ,
While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and
plains
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.
- 3 No more let sins and sorrows grow
Nor thorns infest the ground;
He comes to make His blessings flow
Far as the curse is found,
Far as the curse is found,
Far as, far as the curse is found.
- 4 He rules the world with truth and grace
And makes the nations prove
The glories of His righteousness
And wonders of His love,
And wonders of His love,
And wonders, wonders of His love.

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Confession and Absolution

Stand ~ The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

P In the name of the Father and of the †Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth.

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✝ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

INTROIT HYMN ~ *What Child Is This*

LSB 370



1 What child is this, who, laid to rest, On Mar - y's lap is
2 Why lies He in such mean es-tate Where ox and ass are
3 So bring Him in - cense, gold, and myrrh; Come, peas - ant, king, to



sleep - ing? Whom an - gels greet with an - thems sweet While
feed - ing? Good Chris - tian, fear; for sin - ners here The
own Him. The King of kings sal - va - tion brings; Let



shep - herds watch are keep - ing? This, this is
si - lent Word is plead - ing. Nails, spear shall
lov - ing hearts en - throne Him. Raise, raise the



Christ the king, Whom shep - herds guard and an - gels sing;
pierce Him through, The cross be borne for me, for you;
song on high, The vir - gin sings her lul - la - by;



Haste, haste to bring Him laud, The babe, the son of Mar - y!
Hail, hail the Word made flesh, The babe, the son of Mar - y!
Joy, joy, for Christ is born, The babe, the son of Mar - y!

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KYRIE All Sing: Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

Hymn of Praise ~ Angels We Have Heard on High

LSB 368



1 An - gels we have heard on high, Sweet - ly sing - ing o'er the plains,
2 Shep - herds, why this ju - bi - lee? Why your joy - ous strains pro - long?
3 Come to Beth - le - hem and see Him whose birth the an - gels sing;



And the moun - tains in re - ply, Ech - o - ing their joy - ous strains.
What the glad - some tid - ings be Which in - spire your heav' n - ly song?
Come, a - dore on bend - ed knee Christ the Lord, the new - born King.

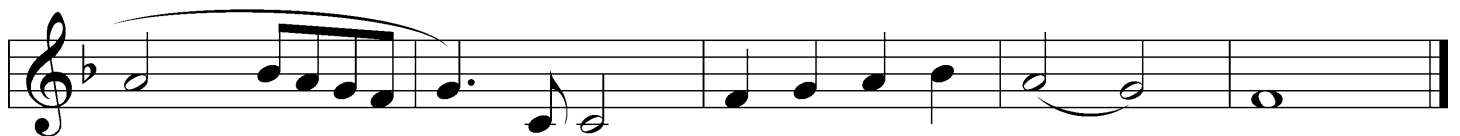
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Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, grant that the birth of Your only-begotten Son in the flesh may set us free from the bondage of sin; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen. *Sing*

Sit

The Living and Life-Giving Word of God Dwells Among Us in the Flesh

Isaiah 52:7-10 ~ Hebrews 1:1-6 (7-12) ~ John 1:1-14 (15-18)

The Lord sends out His ministers of the Gospel to make disciples *“of all the nations,”* so that *“all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.”* The Lord has *“bared his holy arm”* in the incarnate Christ (Is. 52:7, 10). The child in the manger, born of the Virgin Mary, is the very Word of God, the only begotten Son of the Father, *“whom he appointed the heir of all things, through whom also he created the world”* (Heb. 1:2). As *“all things were made through him”* (John 1:3), so are all things redeemed and made new in Him. In His body of flesh and blood, we behold *“the radiance of the glory of God”* (Heb. 1:3), *“glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth”* (John 1:14). He dwells among us in peace, that we might have life and light and salvation in Him. For by His Word of the Gospel, we are born again as the children of God, bearing His name and sharing His eternal life.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Isaiah 52:7–10

How beautiful on the hills are the feet of the messenger who brings the good news and announces peace, who tells the good news of salvation, and tells Zion, “Your God is King!” Listen! Your watchmen are raising their voices and singing together happily because every eye sees how the LORD will bring Zion back. Break into loud singing together, ruins of Jerusalem! The LORD comforts His people; He redeems Jerusalem. The LORD has made bare His holy arm while all the nations are watching. And all the distant parts of the world will see our God’s salvation.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn ~ Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

LSB 380

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| 1 Hark! The herald angels sing,
“Glory to the newborn King;
Peace on earth and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled!”
Joyful, all ye nations, rise,
Join the triumph of the skies;
With the_angelic host proclaim,
“Christ is born in Bethlehem!” Refrain | Offspring of a virgin’s womb.
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see,
Hail the_incarnate Deity!
Pleased as Man with man to dwell,
Jesus, our Immanuel! Refrain |
| ref Hark! The herald angels sing,
“Glory to the newborn King!” | 3 Hail, the heav’n-born Prince of Peace!
Hail, the Sun of Righteousness!
Light and life to all He brings,
Ris’n with healing in His wings.
Mild He lays His glory by,
Born that man no more may die,
Born to raise the sons of earth,
Born to give them second birth. Refrain |
| 2 Christ, by highest heav’n adored,
Christ, the everlasting Lord,
Late in time behold Him come, | |

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EPISTLE LESSON*Hebrews 1:1-6 (7-12)*

At many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers long ago by the prophets, but in these last days He has spoken to us by His Son, Whom He made the heir of everything and by Whom He made the world. He Who shines with God's glory and is the Expression of His Being sustains everything by His mighty Word. He made a cleansing from sins, *sat down at the right hand* of the Majesty in heaven, and is as much superior than angels as the name He has is better than theirs. To which of the angels did God ever say: *You are My Son, today I have begotten You?* Or again: *I will be His Father, and He will be My Son?* And when He again will bring the firstborn Son into the world, He says: *All of God's angels should worship Him.* He says of the angels: *He makes His angels winds and His servants fiery flames.* But to the Son He says: *Your throne, O God, is forever and ever, and You rule Your kingdom with a scepter of righteousness. You have loved right and hated wrong. That is why God, Your God, has put You above Your companions by anointing You with the oil of joy.* And: *Lord, in the beginning You laid the foundation of the earth and Your hands made the heavens! They will perish, but You continue. They will all become old like a garment. You will roll them up like a blanket, and like a garment they will be changed. But You are the same, and Your years will never end.*

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand



C Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

C The Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.



C Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

HOLY GOSPEL LESSON*John 1:1-14 (15-18)*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the first chapter.

C Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

*IN THE BEGINNING WAS THE WORD, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. Everything was made by Him, and not one thing that was made was made without Him. In Him was life, and the Life was the Light of men. The Light is shining in the dark, and the darkness has not put it out. A man came - God sent him - his name was John. He came to tell the truth about the Light so that through him everyone might believe. He was not the Light but came to tell the truth about the Light. The true Light that gives light to everyone was coming into the world. He was in the world, and He made the world, and the world didn't know Him. He came to His own, and His own people didn't welcome Him. But to all who welcomed Him, who believe in His name, He gave the right to become God's children. They have been born, not of the blood of parents, nor of a sexual desire, nor of a man's desire, but of God. And the Word became flesh and lived among us for a time and we saw His glory, the glory of the only-begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth. John told the truth about Him when he called: "This is the One of Whom I said, He Who is coming after me is ahead of me because He was before me." All of us have taken from all that is in Him – gift after gift of His love. *The Law was given through Moses*, but Jesus Christ brought grace and truth. No one has ever seen God. The one-and-only Son Who is God, Who is close to the Father's heart, has made Him known.*

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

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C I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered and was buried.
 And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
 and ascended into heaven
 and sits at the right hand of the Father.
 And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,
 whose kingdom will have no end.
 And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
 the Lord and giver of life,
 who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
 who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
 who spoke by the prophets.
 And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
 I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
 and I look for the resurrection of the dead
 and the life ✝ of the world to come. Amen.

Sit

Hymn of the Day ~ *Of the Father's Love Begotten*

LSB 384

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| <p>1 Of the Father's love begotten
 Ere the worlds began to be,
 He is Alpha and Omega,
 He the source, the ending He,
 Of the things that are, that have been,
 And that future years shall see
 Evermore and evermore.</p> <p>2 Oh, that birth forever blessed,
 When the virgin, full of grace,
 By the Holy Ghost conceiving,
 Bore the Savior of our race,
 And the babe, the world's Redeemer,
 First revealed His sacred face
 Evermore and evermore.</p> <p>3 This is He whom seers in old time
 Chanted of with one accord,
 Whom the voices of the prophets
 Promised in their faithful word.</p> | <p>Now He shines, the long-expected;
 Let creation praise its Lord
 Evermore and evermore.</p> <p>4 O ye heights of heav'n, adore Him;
 Angel hosts, His praises sing.
 Pow'rs, dominions, bow before Him
 And extol our God and King.
 Let no tongue on earth be silent,
 Ev'ry voice in concert ring
 Evermore and evermore.</p> <p>△5 Christ, to Thee, with God the Father,
 And, O Holy Ghost, to Thee
 Hymn and chant and high thanksgiving
 And unending praises be,
 Honor, glory, and dominion,
 And eternal victory
 Evermore and evermore. Amen.</p> |
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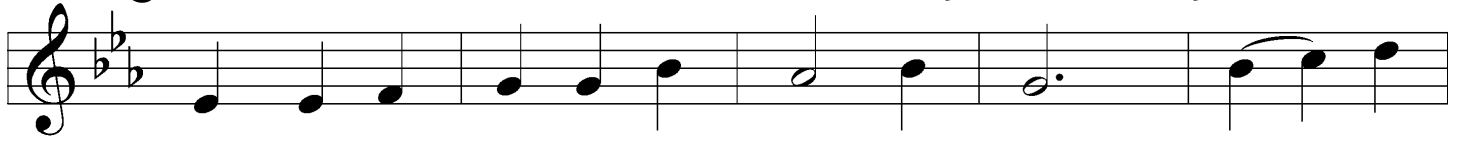
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Sermon

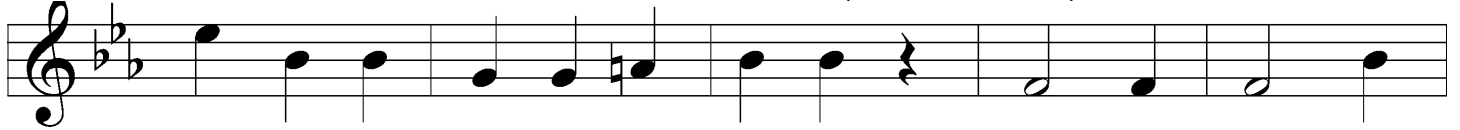
P The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

C Amen.

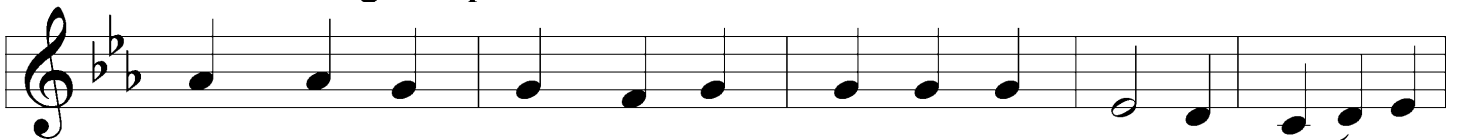
Offering ~ Plates are located in the back to collect as you leave today



C Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -



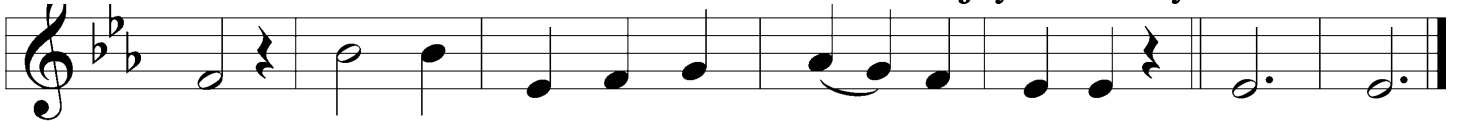
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -



way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it



from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -

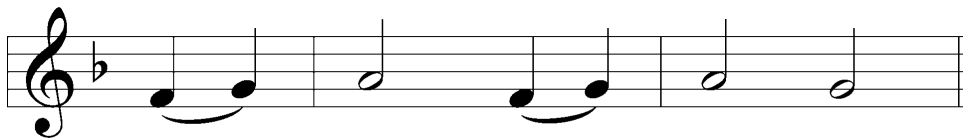


tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

Prayer of the Church

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

P The Lord be with you.



C And with thy spir - it.

P Lift up your hearts.



C We lift them up un - to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.

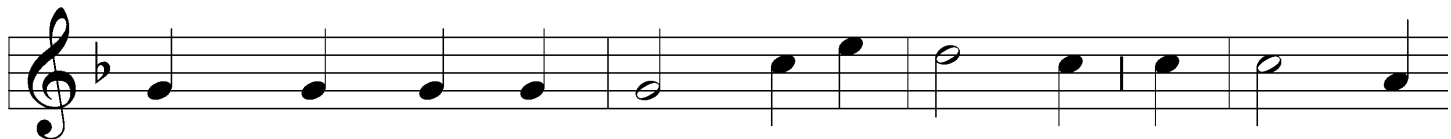


C It is meet and right so to do.

P It is truly meet, right and salutary . . . evermore praising You and saying:



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,



bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.



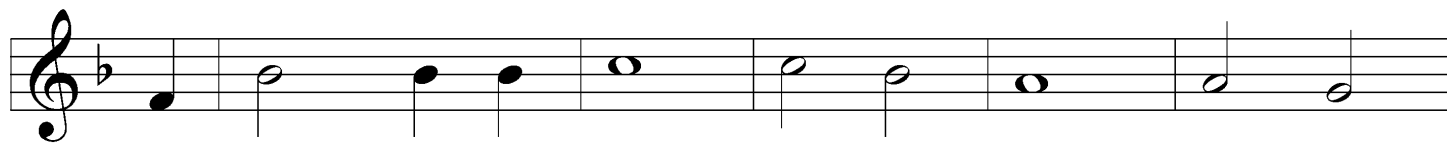
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Lord's Prayer

P Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:

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.



C For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the



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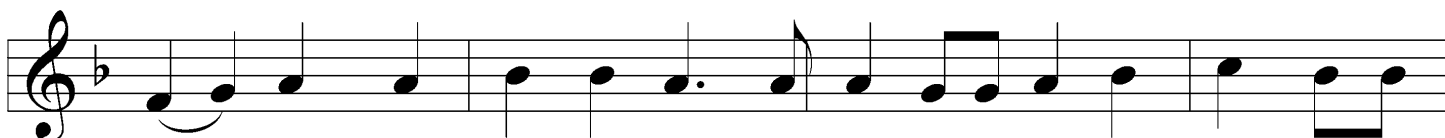
The Words of Our Lord

P Our Lord Jesus Christ . . .

P The peace . . . you always.



C A - men.



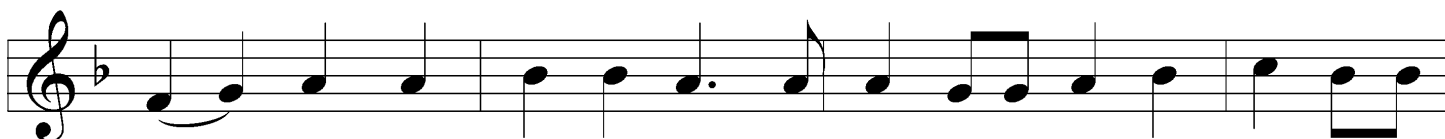
C O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the



world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that



tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us.



O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the



world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

Distribution Hymns

O Come, All Ye Faithful

LSB 379

1 O come, all ye faithful,
Joyful and triumphant!
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;

Come and behold Him
Born the king of angels: Refrain

ref O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him,
Christ the Lord!

2 Highest, most holy,
Light of Light eternal,
Born of a virgin, a mortal He comes;
Son of the Father
Now in flesh appearing! Refrain

3 Sing, choirs of angels,
Sing in exultation,
Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!
Glory to God
In the highest: Refrain

4 Yea, Lord, we greet Thee,
Born this happy morning;
Jesus, to Thee be glory giv'n!
Word of the Father
Now in flesh appearing! Refrain

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God Loves Me Dearly

LSB 392

1 God loves me dearly,
Grants me salvation,
God loves me dearly,
Loves even me. Refrain

3 He sent forth Jesus,
My dear Redeemer,
He sent forth Jesus
And set me free. Refrain

ref Therefore I'll say again:
God loves me dearly,
God loves me dearly,
Loves even me.

4 Jesus, my Savior,
Himself did offer;
Jesus, my Savior,
Paid all I owed. Refrain


2 I was in slav'ry,
Sin, death, and darkness;
God's love was working
To make me free. Refrain

5 Now I will praise You,
O Love Eternal;
Now I will praise You
All my life long. Refrain

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Stand

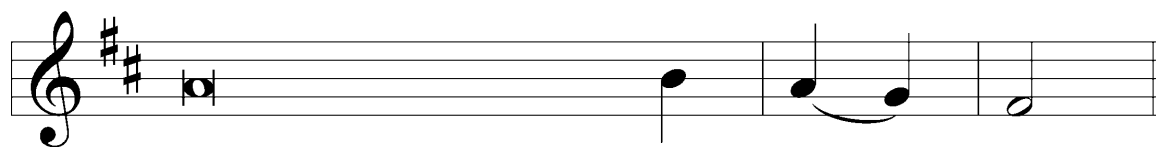
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Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac-
cord-ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,
which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,
a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy
peo-ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and
to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ev - er shall be, world without end. A-men.

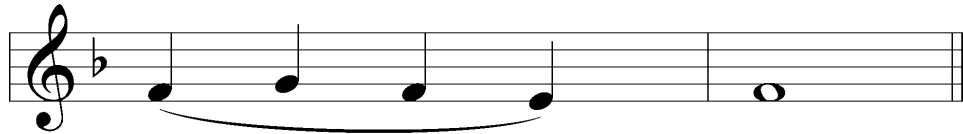
Stand

P O give thanks unto the Lord for He is good,



C and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

P Let us pray . . . one God, now and forever.



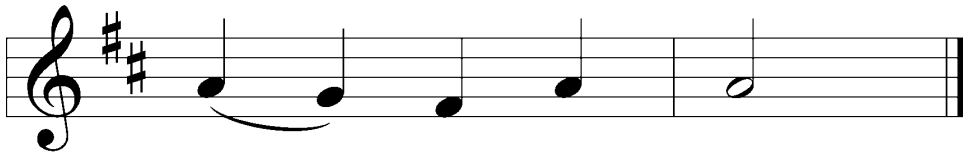
C A - men.

P The Lord be with you.



C And with thy spir - it.

P Bless we the Lord.



C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

LSB 202

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.



C A-men, a-men, a - men.

Sit

Closing Hymn ~ Now Sing We, Now Rejoice

LSB 386

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| 1 Now sing we, now rejoice,
Now raise to heav'n our voice;
He from whom joy streameth
Poor in a manger lies;
Not so brightly beameth
The sun in yonder skies.
Thou my Savior art!
Thou my Savior art! | Through Thy grace and merit,
Blest Jesus, Lord most mild,
Draw me unto Thee!
Draw me unto Thee! |
| 2 Come from on high to me;
I cannot rise to Thee.
Cheer my wearied spirit,
O pure and holy Child; | 3 Now through His Son doth shine
The Father's grace divine.
Death was reigning o'er us
Through sin and vanity
Till He opened for us
A bright eternity.
May we praise Him there!
May we praise Him there! |

4 Oh, where shall joy be found?
Where but on heav'nly ground?
Where the angels singing
With all His saints unite,

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Sweetest praises bringing
In heav'nly joy and light.
Oh, that we were there!
Oh, that we were there!

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Thank you to those who helped beautify the altar for Christmas. Flowers may be taken home after service on Thursday, January 6th.