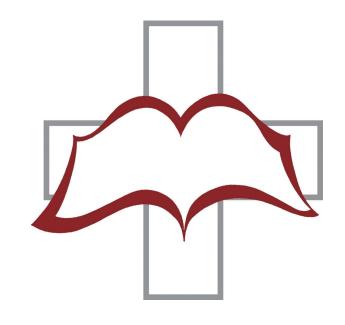
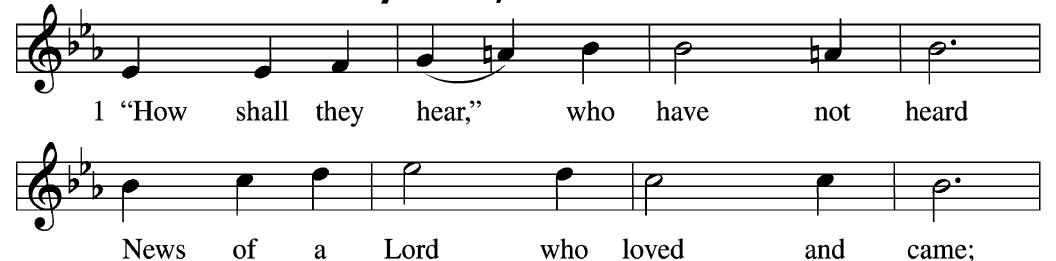
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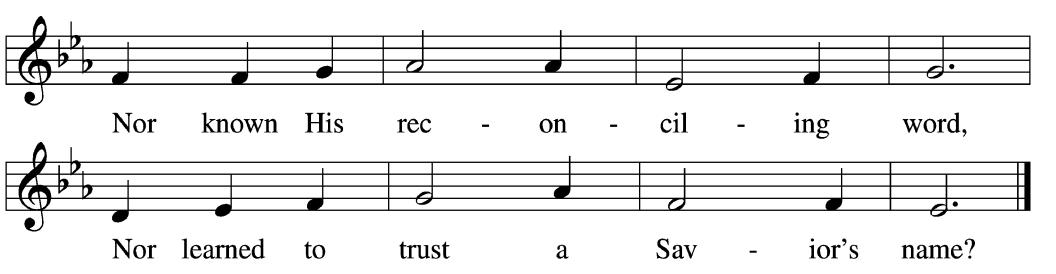


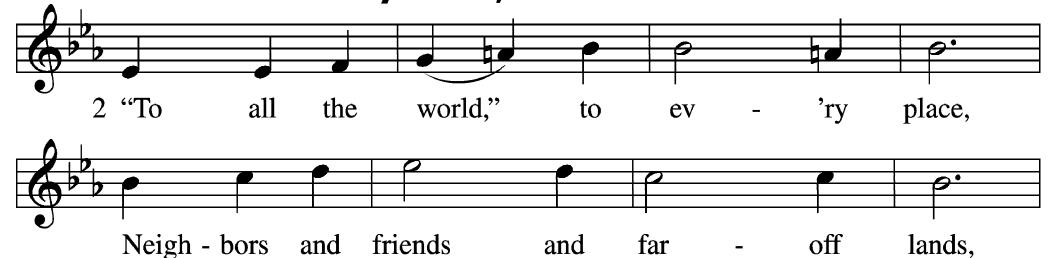
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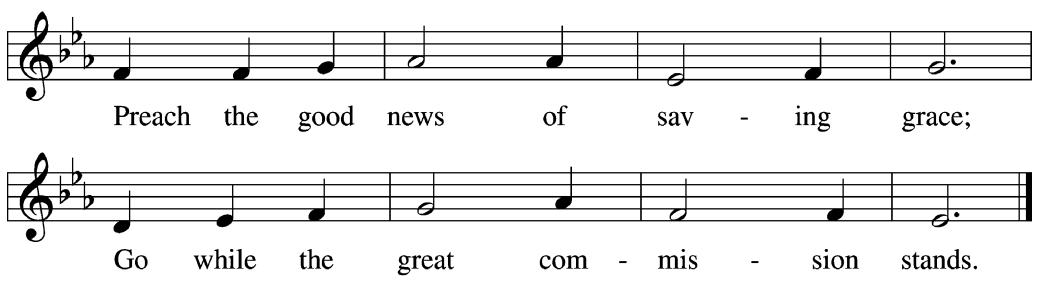
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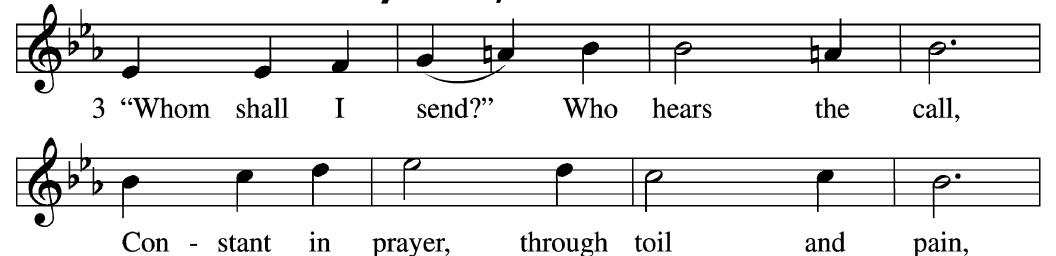


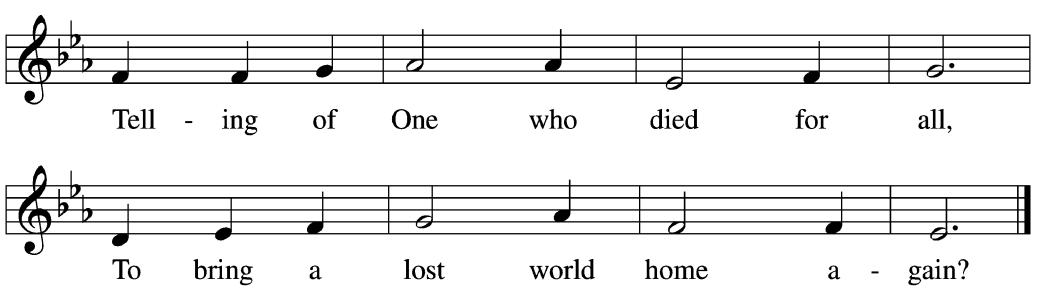


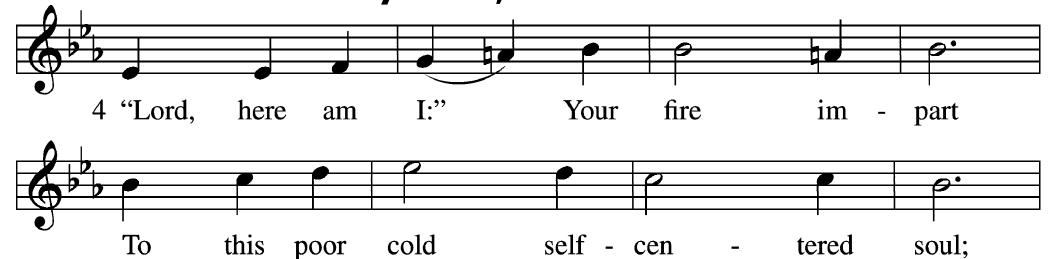


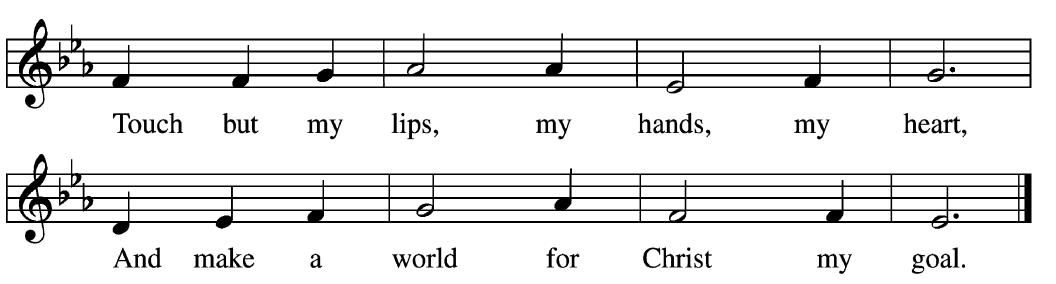




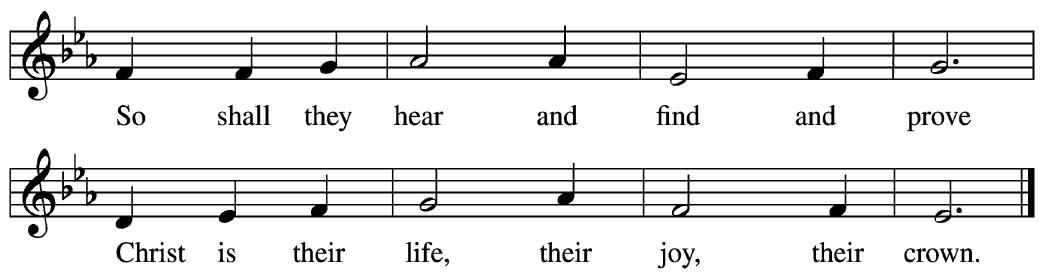












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#### Invocation

In the name of the Father and of the 

→ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**G** Amen.

### **Exhortation**

- Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth.
- If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

### **Exhortation**

Since we are gathered to hear God's Word and call upon Him in prayer and praise, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition.

#### **Confession of Sins**

- Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.
- Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

# I. You shall have no other gods.

# II. You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.

# III. Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.

## IV. Honor your father and your mother.

#### V. You shall not murder.

### You shall not commit adultery.

### VII. You shall not steal.

# VIII. You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

# IX. You shall not covet your neighbor's house.

X. You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

#### **Confession of Sins**

- P O Almighty God,
- have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

#### **Absolution**

Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**G** Amen.

#### Introit



I will sing | to the LORD,\*
because he has dealt bountifully | with me.

# Consider and answer me, O | LORD my God;\*

light up my eyes, lest I sleep the | sleep of death,

#### **Introit**



lest my enemy say, "I have prevailed | over him,"\*

lest my foes rejoice because I am | shaken.

# But I have trusted in your | steadfast love;\*

my heart shall rejoice in your sal- | vation.

### Introit



Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\* and to the Holy | Spirit; as it was in the be- | ginning,\* is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

I will sing | to the LORD,\*
because he has dealt bountifully | with me.



C Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.





Good-will from God in heav - en Pro-claimed at Je-sus' birth!



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—



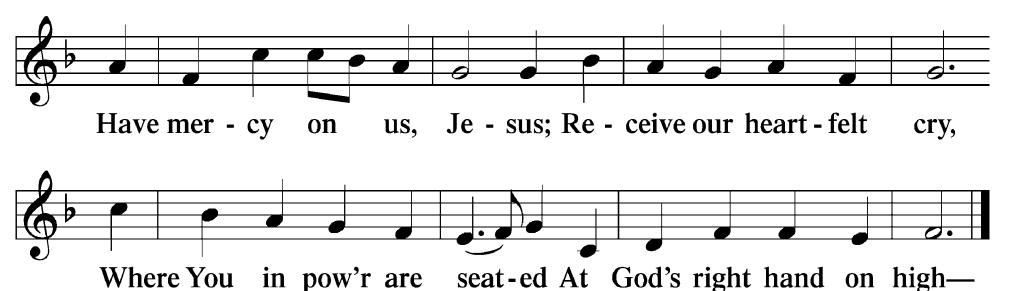
Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King



2 10 10u, O sole-be - got - ten, The Ta-thers Son, we pray,



O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.





3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



#### **Gloria in Excelsis**



Text: Stephen P. Starke

### **Salutation and Collect of the Day**

- P The Lord be with you.
- **And also with you.**

Let us pray. O Lord, keep Your family the Church continually in the true faith that, relying on the hope of Your heavenly grace, we may ever be defended by Your mighty power;

### Salutation and Collect of the Day

through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

### **G** Amen.

## Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 40:21-31 Do you not know? Do you not hear? Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth? It is he who sits above the circle of the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers;

## Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 40:21-31 who stretches out the heavens like a curtain, and spreads them like a tent to dwell in; who brings princes to nothing, and makes the rulers of the earth as emptiness.

Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown, scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth,

# Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 40:21-31 when he blows on them, and they wither,

and the tempest carries them off like stubble.

To whom then will you compare me, that I should be like him? says the Holy One.

Lift up your eyes on high and see: who created these?

## Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 40:21-31 He who brings out their host by number, calling them all by name, by the greatness of his might, and because he is strong in power not one is missing. Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, "My way is hidden from the LORD, and my right is disregarded by my God"?

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 40:21-31 Have you not known? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint, and to him who has no might he increases strength.

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 40:21-31 Even youths shall faint and be weary, and young men shall fall exhausted; but they who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint.

### Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 40:21-31

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

## **Epistle Reading: 1 Corinthians 9:16–27**

If I preach the gospel, that gives me no ground for boasting. For necessity is laid upon me. Woe to me if I do not preach the gospel! For if I do this of my own will, I have a reward, but not of my own will, I am still entrusted with a stewardship. What then is my reward? That in my preaching I may present the gospel free of charge, so as not to make full use of my right in the gospel.

# Epistle Reading: 1 Corinthians 9:16-27 For though I am free from all, I have made

myself a servant to all, that I might win more of them. To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law (though not being myself under the law) that I might win those under the law. To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (not being outside the law of God but under the law of Christ) that I might win those outside the law.

## Epistle Reading: 1 Corinthians 9:16-27

To the weak I became weak, that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, that by all means I might save some. I do it all for the sake of the gospel, that I may share with them in its blessings.

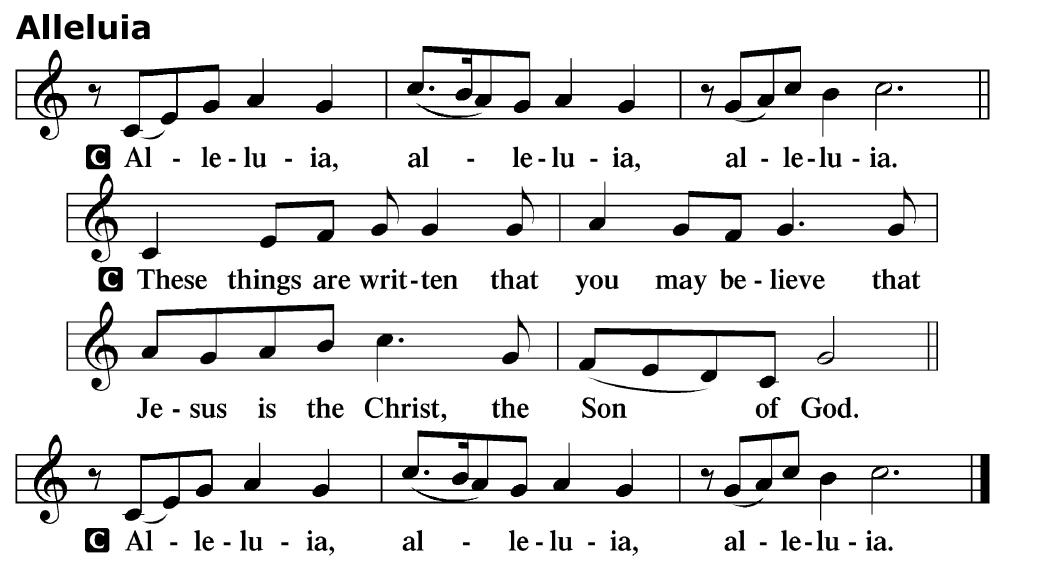
Do you not know that in a race all the runners compete, but only one receives the prize? So run that you may obtain it. Every athlete exercises self-control in all things.

## Epistle Reading: 1 Corinthians 9:16-27

They do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable. So I do not run aimlessly; I do not box as one beating the air. But I discipline my body and keep it under control, lest after preaching to others I myself should be disqualified.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.



The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the first chapter.

Glory to You, O Lord.

Immediately [Jesus] left the synagogue and entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. Now Simon's mother-in-law lay ill with a fever, and immediately they told him about her.

And he came and took her by the hand and lifted her up, and the fever left her, and she began to serve them.

That evening at sundown they brought to him all who were sick or oppressed by demons. And the whole city was gathered together at the door. And he healed many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons.

And he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him.

And rising very early in the morning, while it was still dark, he departed and went out to a desolate place, and there he prayed. And Simon and those who were with him searched for him, and they found him and said to him, "Everyone is looking for you."

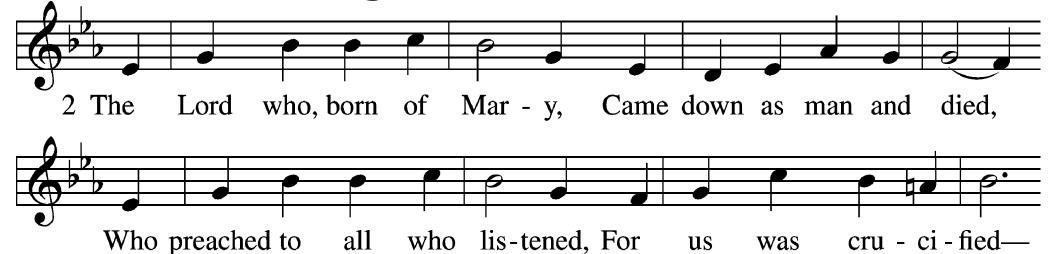
And he said to them, "Let us go on to the next towns, that I may preach there also, for that is why I came out." And he went throughout all Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and casting out demons.

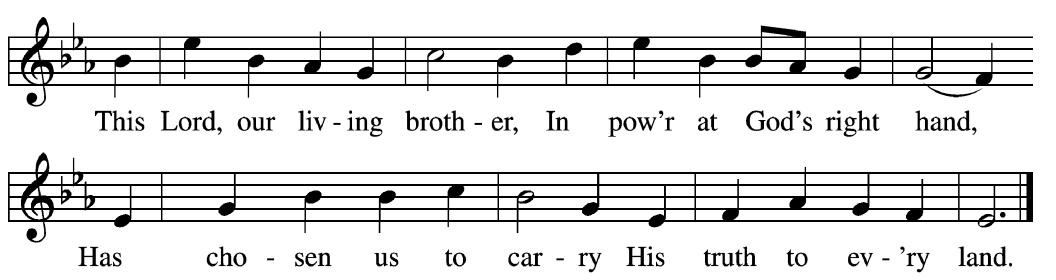
- P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- **O** Praise to You, O Christ.

# Children's Message

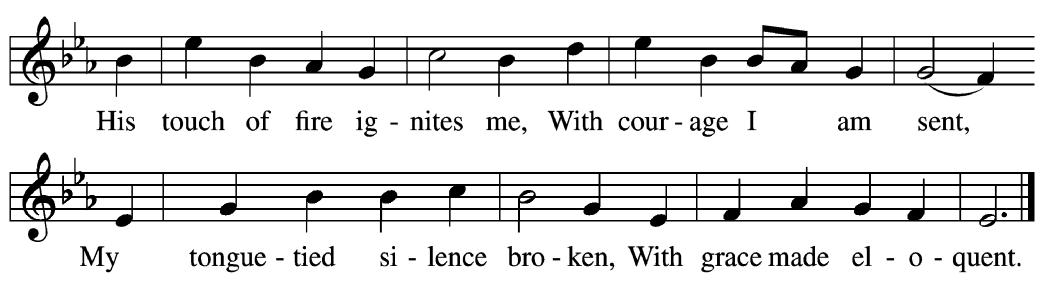


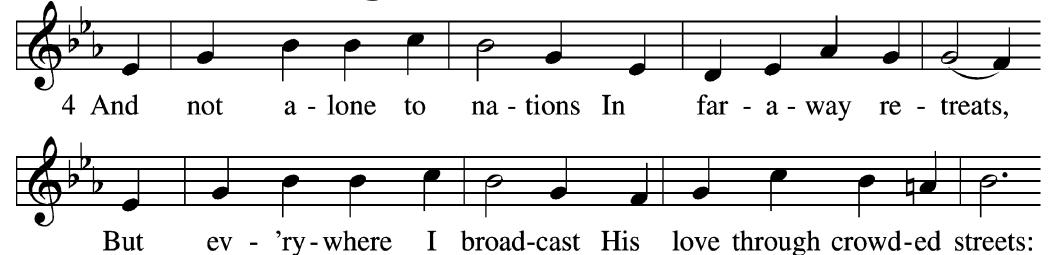


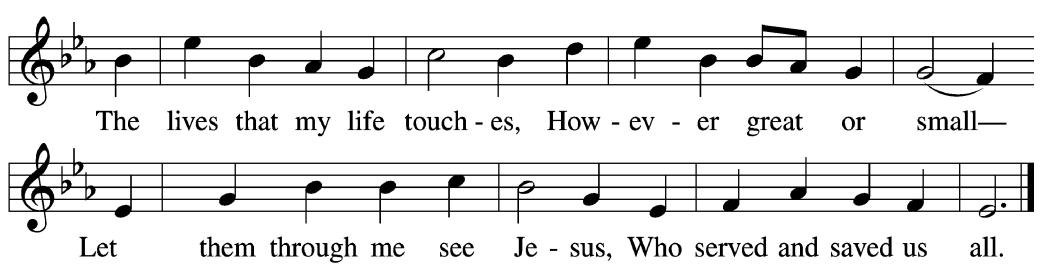










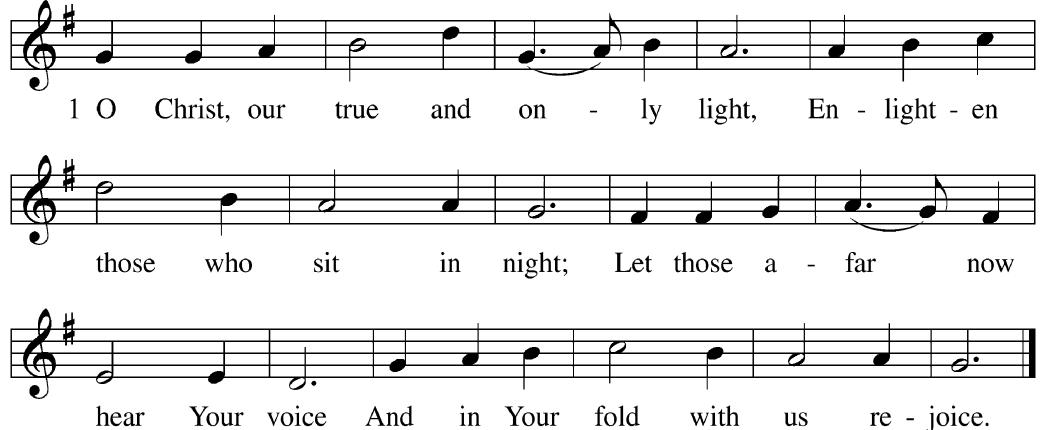


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### **Sermon**

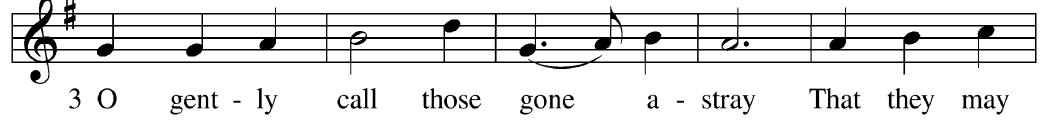


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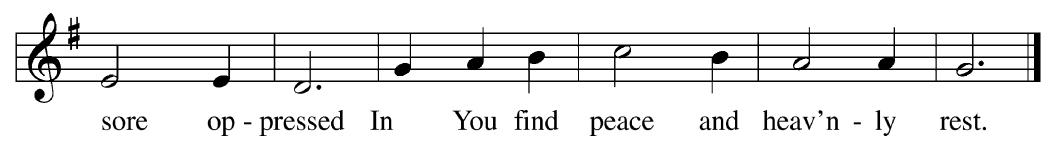
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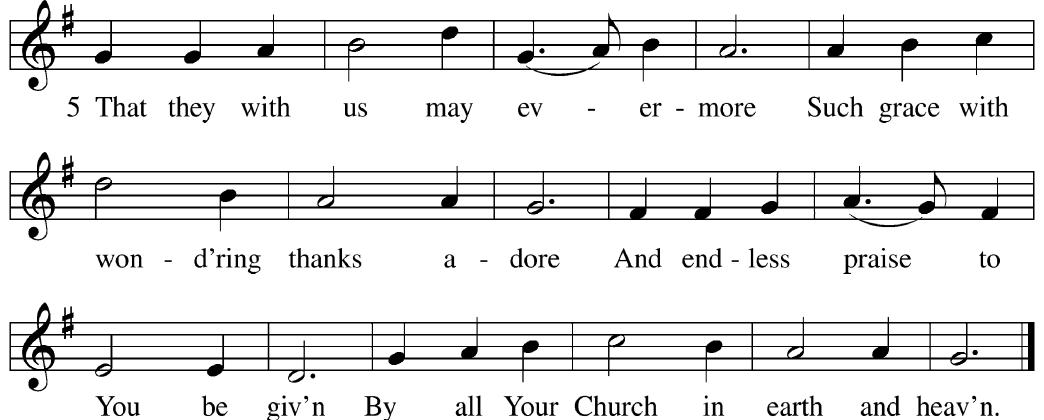
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Apostles Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ,
His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,

**Apostles Creed** was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

**Apostles Creed** I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life + everlasting. Amen.

## Offering

#### **Prayer of the Church**

Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

- ...Lord, in Your mercy,
   hear our prayer.
   Lord, have mercy.
- Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy;
- through Your Son Jesus Christ, our Lord.

  Amen.

### **Lord's Prayer**

- P Taught by our Lord, and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:
- Our Father who art in heaven....

#### Collect for the Word

O Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them that, by patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life;

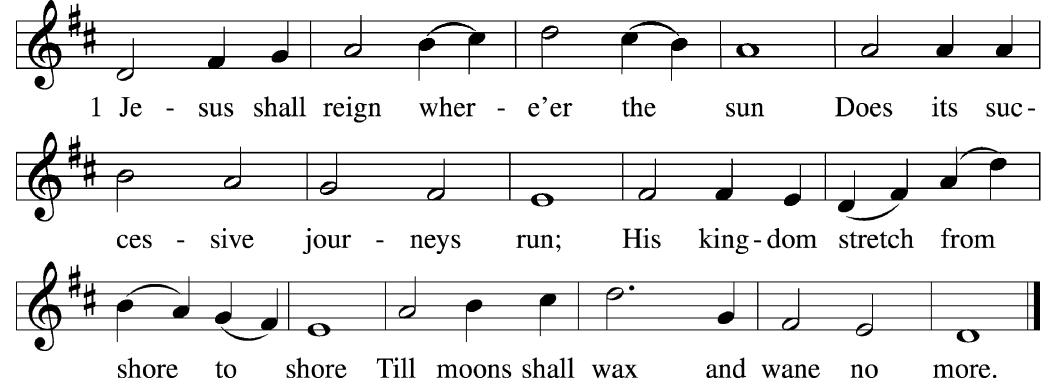
#### **Collect for the Word**

through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

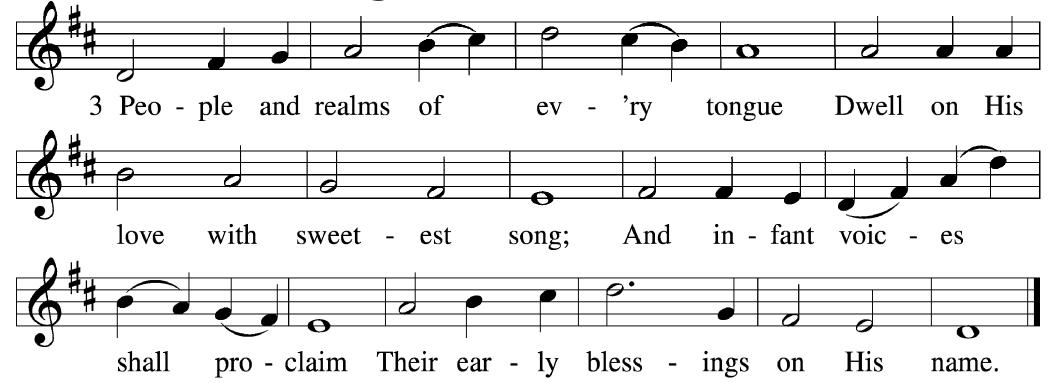
C Amen.

#### **Benedicamus & Benediction**

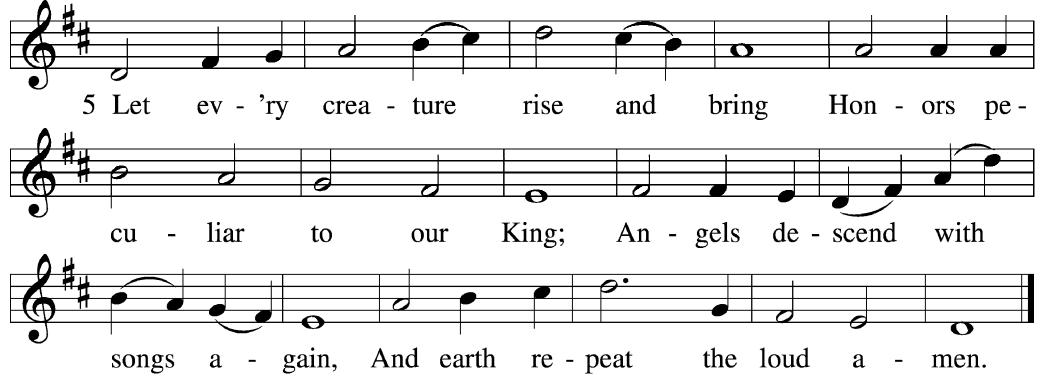
- P Let us bless the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.
- The Lord bless you and keep you.
  The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
  - The Lord look upon you with favor and
- **G** Amen.





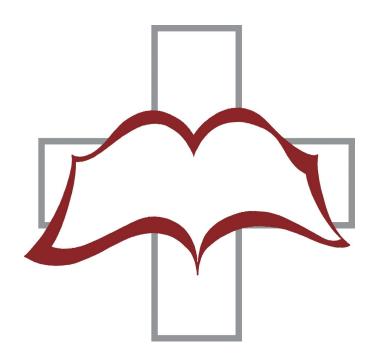






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# 5th Sunday after Epiphany



## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Go in peace and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

