

**May 14, 2023**

*Ascension Sunday – Mother's Day*



## **PRELUDE**

## **WELCOME**

## **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TERRITORY**

All Saints Lutheran Anglican Church exists on the traditional territory of the Attawandaron / Neutral People. We honour the original ancestors of this land and also offer respect to our Haudenosaunee, Anishinaabe, Mississauga and Métis neighbours. We give thanks for the First Peoples and all who have cared for the land and made it possible for us to dwell and do ministry on this land.

## **THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM**

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God,  
by whose hand we are given new birth,  
by whose speaking we are given new life. **Amen.**

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are welcomed,  
restored, and supported as citizens of the new creation.  
Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

Holy God, holy and merciful, holy and mighty, you are the  
river of life, you are the everlasting wellspring.

**In mercy and might you have freed us from death  
and raised us with Jesus, the firstborn of the dead.  
In baptismal waters our old life is washed away,  
and in them we are born anew.**

*Water may be poured into the font as the presiding minister continues.*

Glory to you for oceans and lakes, for rivers and streams.  
Honour to you for waters that wash us clean, quench our  
thirst, and nurture both crops and creatures. Praise to you  
for the life-giving water of baptism, the outpouring of the  
Spirit of the new creation.

**Wash away all that separates us from you.  
Empower our witness to your resurrection.  
Strengthen our resolve in seeking justice for all.**

Satisfy the world's need through this living water.  
Where drought dries the earth, bring refreshment.  
Where despair prevails, grant hope.  
Where chaos reigns, bring peace.  
We ask this through Christ, who, with you and the Holy  
Spirit, reigns forever. **Amen.**

**GATHERING SONG      Hail Thee, Festival Day!    RED 394**

*Refrain*

Hail thee, festival day!  
Blest day to be hallowed forever;  
day when our Lord was raised,  
breaking the kingdom of death.

- 1 He who was nailed to the cross  
is ruler and Lord of all people.  
All things created on earth  
sing to the glory of God: *Refrain*
- 2 Daily the loveliness grows,  
adorned with the glory of blossom;  
heaven its gates now unbars,  
flinging its increase of light: *Refrain*

- 3 God the Almighty, the Lord,  
the ruler of earth and the heavens,  
guard us from harm without;  
cleanse us from evil within: *Refrain*

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Blest day to be hallowed forever;  
day when our Lord was raised,  
breaking the kingdom of death.

- 4 Jesus, the health of the world,  
enlighten our minds, great redeemer,  
Son of the Father supreme,  
only-begotten of God: *Refrain*

- 5 Spirit of life and of pow'r,  
now flow in us, fount of our being,  
light that enlightens us all,  
life that in all may abide: *Refrain*

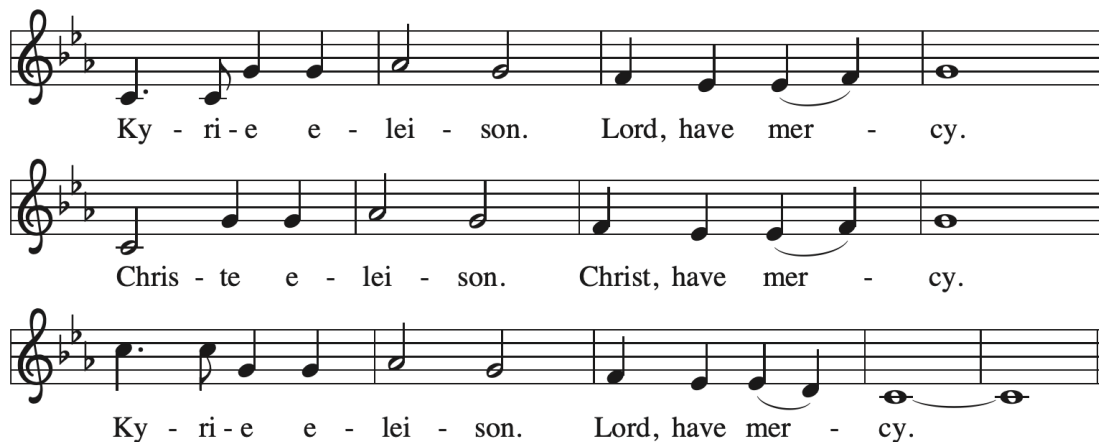
- 6 Praise to the giver of good!  
O Lover and Author of concord,  
pour out your balm on our days;  
order our ways in your peace: *Refrain*

**GREETING**

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

**And also with you.**

## KYRIE



Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Lord, have mer - cy.

Chris - te e - lei - son. Christ, have mer - cy.

Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Lord, have mer - cy.

## HYMN OF PRAISE



1 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;  
 2 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;  
 3 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;

yours is the prom - ise, the bless - ing, the birth.  
 yours the ho - san - nas, the dy - ing, re - birth.  
 yours the a - noint - ing, the ra - di - ant worth.

Ours the re - joic - ing for Word giv - en frame;  
 Ours the re - joic - ing for na - ture re - claimed;  
 Ours the re - joic - ing for spir - its a - flame;

ours the thanks - giv - ing to your ho - ly name.

Ours be the tell - ing of deeds great - ly done;

yours be the glo - ry, O God, yours a - lone.

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Let us pray.

Most High God, Jesus was taken into the heavens and in your presence intercedes for us. Receive us and our prayers for all the world, and in the end bring everything into your glory, through Jesus Christ, our Sovereign and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen**

**CHOIR ANTHEM**    Come Down, O Love Divine

## **FIRST READING: Acts 1:1-11**

[Luke writes:] <sup>1</sup>In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning <sup>2</sup>until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. <sup>3</sup>After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. <sup>4</sup>While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. "This," he said, "is what you have heard from me; <sup>5</sup>for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."

<sup>6</sup>So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" <sup>7</sup>He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. <sup>8</sup>But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." <sup>9</sup>When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. <sup>10</sup>While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. <sup>11</sup>They said, "Men of Galilee, why do

you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.”

Word of God. Word of life.  
**Thanks be to God.**

### **PSALM: Psalm 47**



- <sup>1</sup>Clap your hands, | all you peoples;  
shout to God with a | joyful sound.**
- <sup>2</sup>For the LORD Most High is | to be feared:  
a great king over | all the earth,**
- <sup>3</sup>who subdues the | peoples under us,  
and the nations un- | der our feet;**
- <sup>4</sup>who chooses our inheri- | tance for us,  
the pride of Jacob, | whom God loves. R**
- <sup>5</sup>God has gone up | with a shout,  
the LORD with the sound | of the ram's horn.**
- <sup>6</sup>Sing praises to | God, sing praises;  
sing praises to our | king, sing praises. R**
- <sup>7</sup>For God is king of | all the earth;  
sing praises | with a song.**
- <sup>8</sup>God reigns o- | ver the nations;  
God is en- | throned on high.**
- <sup>9</sup>The nobles of the peoples have gathered as the people  
of the | God of Abraham.  
The rulers of the earth belong to God, who is high- | ly  
exalted. R**

## SECOND READING: Ephesians 1:15-23

<sup>15</sup>I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason <sup>16</sup>I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. <sup>17</sup>I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, <sup>18</sup>so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, <sup>19</sup>and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. <sup>20</sup>God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, <sup>21</sup>far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. <sup>22</sup>And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, <sup>23</sup>which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

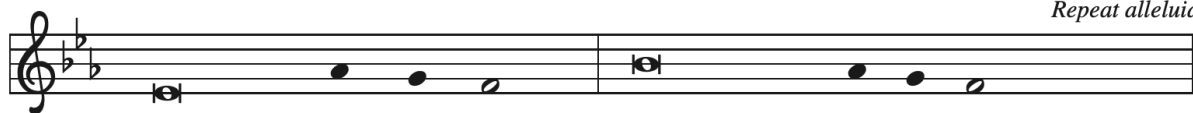
Word of God. Word of Life.

**Thanks be to God!**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al-le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia.



Our hearts burn with - in us as you open to us the scriptures.

## **GOSPEL: Luke 24:44-53**

The holy gospel according to Luke.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>44</sup>[Jesus said to the eleven and those with them,] “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.”<sup>45</sup>Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, <sup>46</sup>and he said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, <sup>47</sup>and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. <sup>48</sup>You are witnesses of these things. <sup>49</sup>And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high.”

<sup>50</sup>Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. <sup>51</sup>While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. <sup>52</sup>And they worshiped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; <sup>53</sup>and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

The gospel of Christ.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

## **HOMILY**

**HYMN OF THE DAY   Alleluia, Sing to Jesus   RED 392**



## **APOSTLES' CREED**

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

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

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

United in the hope and joy of the resurrection, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

*A brief silence.*

Ever-present God, root your church firmly in you. Let us neither become entranced staring up into the heavens, nor distraught by the suffering of the world. Teach us to see you in every face, every place, and every moment. Today we pray for Bishop Michael Oulton and the people of the Diocese of Ontario, and for Pastor Ali Tote, Assistant to the Bishop together with all the people of the Saskatchewan Synod.

**Your mercy is great.**

God of the cosmos, you cradle creation in your loving arms and anoint it with signs of your presence. In the budding of flowers, the birth of a baby, and the formations of the land and sky, reveal your abundant life. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Eternal God, your reign is above us, around us, beneath us, and beside us. As you rule the cosmos with justice and mercy, pour out your Spirit upon those in authority, that they serve humbly and justly. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

God of companionship, provide clarity and direction for those experiencing life transitions—in births and deaths, new employment and new relationships, divorces and departures. We pray for those receiving new diagnoses or undergoing treatment for illness or injury, and especially for those who desire our prayers: Deacon Chris, Anna-Liisa, Ross and Karen and their family, Bud and Joanne, Ruth, Richard, Susan, David, Bill, Isa, Benito, Zoilita, Margaret, Florence, Molly, and those we name before you in our hearts (brief silence...). Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Immanent God, in you we live, move, and have our being. Draw us closer to you and clothe us in your power. Strengthen Joan Fischer and Peter Zytner in the gifts and promises of Holy Baptism as they mark their baptismal anniversaries this week. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Mothering God, you hold us in your loving care. We pray with thanksgiving for those who are mothers and for all who mother in any way. While we celebrate the mothers in our lives, we also pray for those who long to be mothers, for children estranged from their mothers, for all who grieve the death of their mothers, and for those mothers mourning the death of a child. Support all for whom this day is especially difficult. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

God of welcome, you call us to feast at your eternal banquet. We give thanks for those who came before us whose lives witnessed to your love. We pray today for all the family and friends of Denise Grattan, Pearl's niece, who mourn her passing. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Rejoicing in the victory of Christ's resurrection, we lift our prayers and praise to you, almighty and eternal God; through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

**Amen.**

## **PEACE**

May the peace of Christ be with you all!

**And also with you.**

## **OFFERTORY As we Gather at Your Table BLUE 61**

*(verses 1 and 2 only)*

1. As we gather at your table,  
as we listen to your word,  
help us know, O God, your presence;  
let our hearts and minds be stirred.  
Nourish us with sacred story  
till we claim it as our own;  
teach us through this holy banquet  
how to make Love's victory known.
2. Turn our worship into witness  
in the sacrament of life;  
send us forth to love and serve you  
bringing peace where there is strife.  
Give us, Christ, your great compassion  
to forgive as you forgave;  
May we still behold your image  
in the world you died to save.

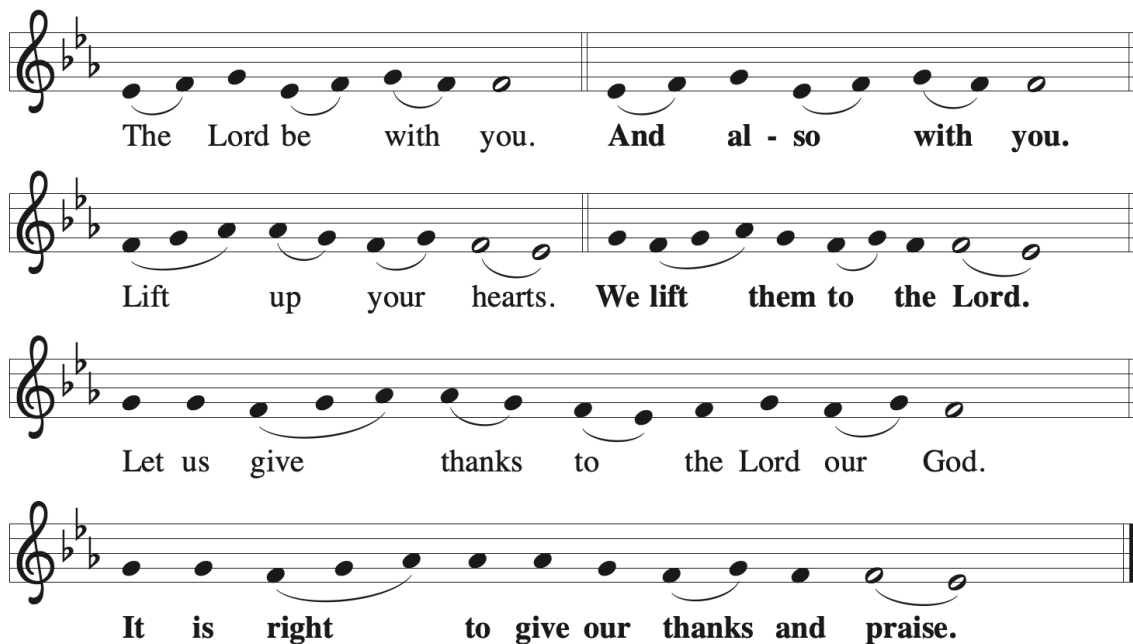
## OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray:

Generous God, in this meal you offer your very self. We give thanks for these gifts of the earth. In the breaking of this bread reveal to us the Risen One. In the pouring of this wine pour us out in service to the world; through Christ our Lord.

**Amen**

## GREAT THANKSGIVING



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 our thanks and praise.

## PREFACE

...and join in their unending hymn:

## SANCTUS

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and  
God of might, heav - en and earth are full of your  
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is the one who comes in the name of the  
Lord. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father:  
Endless is your mercy and eternal your reign.  
You have filled all creation with light and life;  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

We praise you for the grace shown to your people in every age:  
the promise to Israel,  
the rescue from Egypt,  
the gift of the promised land,  
the words of the prophets;

and, at this end of all the ages, the gift of your Son,  
who proclaimed the good news in word and deed  
and was obedient to your will, even to giving his life.

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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup,  
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup  
we remember the life our Lord offered for us.  
And, believing the witness of his resurrection,  
we await his coming in power  
to share with us the great and promised feast.

**Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit,  
that we who share in Christ's body and blood  
may live to the praise of your glory  
and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

**Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.**

Join our prayers with those of your servants  
of every time and every place,  
and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great high  
priest until he comes as victorious Lord of all.

**Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father,  
now and forever. Amen.**

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

LEAD SHEET

# The Lord's Prayer

## Heavenly Father, Heavenly Mother

Words: Parker J. Palmer

*This music is dedicated to the memory of Larry Boychuk,  
whose radiant light and love will always shine through the darkness.*

Music: Chellan Hoffman  
and Stephen D. Miller, 2017

The musical score is written for a lead sheet in 4/4 time. It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (Bb). The tempo/mood is marked 'mp' (mezzo-piano). The score is divided into sections for Leader and Congregation. The lyrics are: 'Heav - en - ly Fath - er, Heav - en - ly Fath - er, Heav - en - ly Moth - er, Heav - en - ly Moth - er, Ho - ly and blessed is your true name. We pray for your reign of peace to come, we pray that your good will be done, let heav-en and earth be - come one, let heav-en and earth be - come one. Give us this day the bread we need, give it to those who have none. Give us this day the bread we need, give it to those who have none. Let for - give - ness flow like a ri-ver be-tween us'. The score includes various musical notations such as chords (Fmaj7, Bbmaj7/F, Am7/F, Bb/F, Am7, Bb, C, F, F/A, Gm, Gm/C, C, Bb, C/Bb, Am, Dm, A(sus4), Gm, C(sus4), F, Gm/F), rests, and triplets. The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span multiple notes.

7 *mp* *Leader:* *Congregation:* *Leader:*  
Heav - en - ly Fath - er, Heav - en - ly Fath - er, Heav - en - ly Moth -

11 *Congregation:* *All:*  
- er, Heav - en - ly Moth - er, Ho - ly and blessed is your true name. We

16  
pray for your reign of peace to come, we pray that your good will be done, let heav-en and earth

21  
be - come one, let heav-en and earth be - come one. Give us this day the bread we need,

25  
give it to those who have none. Give us this day the bread we need,  
give it to those who have none. Let for - give - ness flow like a ri-ver be-tween us

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29 F Am/F Gm/F F Gm/F

from each one\_ to each one.\_\_\_\_ Let for-give-ness flow like a ri-ver be - tween us

33 Fmaj7 Bb(sus2)/F /G Am *p* Am/G Fmaj7

from each one\_ to each one.\_\_\_\_ Lead us to ho - ly in - no - cence be-yond the

37 Em/A Am/G rit. Ab<sup>5</sup>/F a tempo *mf* C Dm<sup>7</sup> Em F

ev - il of\_\_ our\_\_ days.\_\_\_\_ Come swift - ly, Moth - er, Fath-er, come, Come

41 C Dm<sup>7</sup> Em Fmaj<sup>7</sup> C Dm<sup>7</sup> Em<sup>7</sup> Fmaj<sup>7</sup>

swift-ly, Moth-er, Fath - er, come, For yours is the pow-er and the glo-ry and the mer-cy, For

45 C Dm<sup>7</sup> Em<sup>7</sup> Fmaj<sup>7</sup> C 3 Dm<sup>7</sup> Em<sup>6</sup> Fmaj<sup>7</sup>

yours is the pow-er and the glo-ry and the mer-cy, For - e - ver your name is All in One. For

49 C 3 Dm<sup>7</sup> Em<sup>6</sup> Fmaj<sup>7</sup> C Dm<sup>7</sup> Em Fmaj<sup>7</sup>

e - ver your name is All in One. A - - - men.

53 C Dm<sup>7</sup> Em Fmaj<sup>7</sup> F<sup>9</sup>/G Fmaj<sup>9</sup> C(sus2) C

A - - - men. A - - - men.\_\_\_\_

## **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

Christ, we died with you on the cross.

**Now we are raised to new life.**

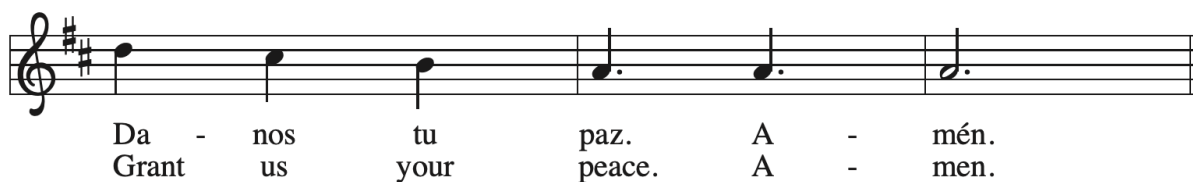
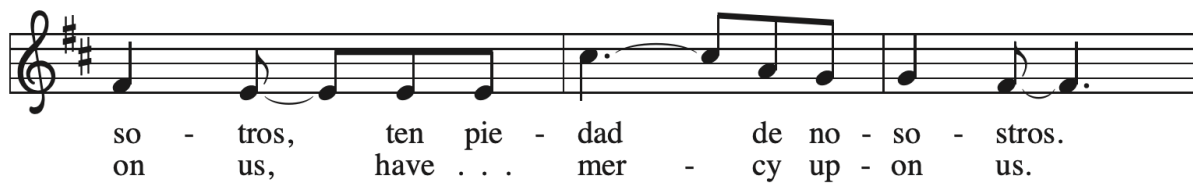
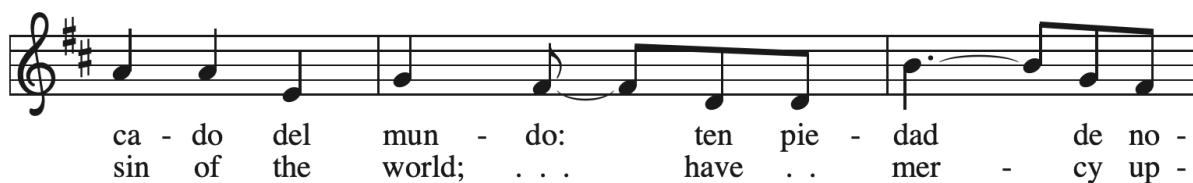
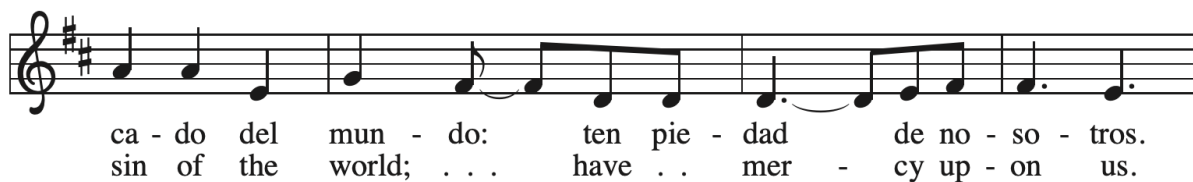
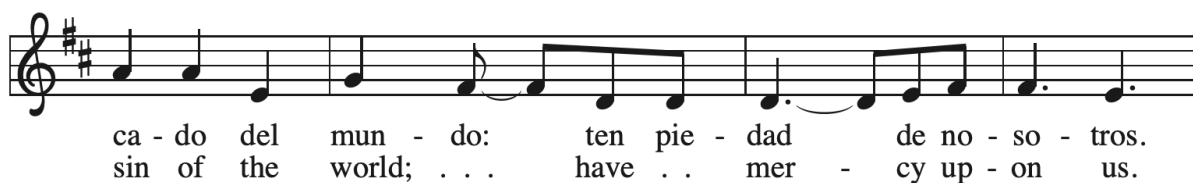
We were buried in your tomb.

**Now we share in your resurrection.**

Come and know Christ, broken and poured out for you.

**Thanks be to God!**

## **COMMUNION HYMNS**



**Be Not Afriad**

**RED 388**

**My Faith Looks Up to Thee**

**BLUE 551**

**Lord, Enthroned in Heavenly Splendour**

**BLUE 84**

### **BLESSING**

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
strengthen, keep, and unite us now and forever. **Amen**

### **POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

Gracious God, in you we live and move and have our being.  
With your word and this meal of grace, you have nourished  
our life together. Strengthen us to show your love and serve  
the world in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

## POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE



A - ho - ra, Se - ñor, se - gún tu pro - me - sa, pue - des de -  
 At last, Lord, your word of prom - ise ful - fill - ing, you let your

jar a tu sier - vo ir - se en paz. Por - que mis  
 ser - vant go forth in free - dom and peace. With my own

o - jos han vis - to a tu Sal - va - dor, a quien has  
 eyes I have seen the sal - va - tion you have pre -

pre - sen - ta - do an - te to - dos los pue - blos: . . .  
 pared . . . in the sight of all of the peo - ples: a

luz pa - ra a - lum - brar a las na - cio - nes, y  
 light that will re - veal you to the na - tions, and the

glo - ria de tu pue - blo Is - ra - el.  
 glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## **BENEDICTION**

The God of all,  
who raised † Jesus from the dead,  
bless you by the power of the Holy Spirit  
to live in the new creation.

**The blessing of the God of life be ours.  
The blessing of the loving Christ be ours.  
The blessing of the Holy Spirit be ours,  
To cherish us, to help us, to make us holy.**

**SENDING SONG    Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing  
RED 545**

## **DISMISSAL**

Christ is risen. Alleluia!  
**Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**  
Go in peace. Tell what God has done.  
**Thanks be to God!**

## **POSTLUDE**