



# The Day of Pentecost May 24, 2026

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## Welcome to our Visitors!

Welcome in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. We are glad you are here. It is our sincere prayer that God would refresh you by His Holy Word and Sacrament and that you would take with you His peace and joy. If you would care to give us your contact information, we would like to get to know you better and keep in touch. If you have questions or are interested in membership, please speak to anyone here.

## Holy Communion

We come to the table at the invitation of the Lord, receiving the body and blood of Christ for the forgiveness of our sins. Christians who share this faith and wish to join us at the table are welcome. Young children may be brought forward for a blessing.

## Mission Statement

“...that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.”

1 Peter 2:9

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May 24, 2026

LBW Holy Communion Setting One

\*indicates Congregation please stand

**Bold**-Congregation responses

PRELUDE IN BABILONE

*Arr. Mark Sedio*

## **\*BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

In the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen**

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Most merciful God,

**we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.**

**Amen**

God our Father does care about us. In His mercy, He has given His Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained servant of the church of Christ, and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father, and of the Son, ✝ and of the Holy Spirit. May Almighty God strengthen and preserve you unto life everlasting.

**Amen**

**\*ENTRANCE HYMN Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling**

1 Ho-ly Spir-it, ev-er dwell-ing in the ho-liest realms of light;  
 2 Ho-ly Spir-it, ev-er liv-ing as the church's ver-y life;  
 3 Ho-ly Spir-it, ev-er work-ing through the church's min-is-try;

Ho-ly Spir-it, ev-er brood-ing o'er a world of gloom and night;  
 Ho-ly Spir-it, ev-er striv-ing through us in a cease-less strife;  
 quick-'ning, strength-'ning, and ab-solv-ing, set-ting cap-tive sin-ners free;

Ho-ly Spir-it, ev-er rais-ing those of earth to thrones on high;  
 Ho-ly Spir-it, ev-er form-ing in the church the mind of Christ:  
 Ho-ly Spir-it, ev-er bind-ing age to age and soul to soul

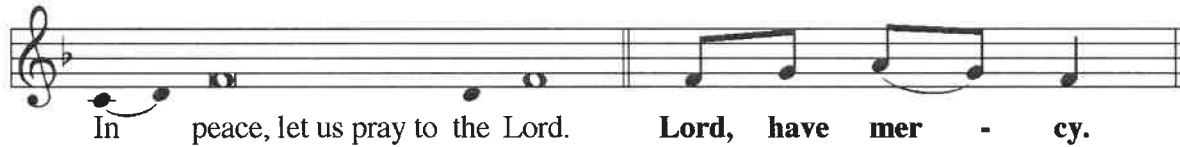
liv-ing, life-im-part-ing Spir-it, you we praise and mag-ni-fy.  
 you we praise with end-less wor-ship for your gifts and fruits un-priced.  
 in com-mu-nion nev-er end-ing, you we wor-ship and ex-tol.

**\*GREETING**

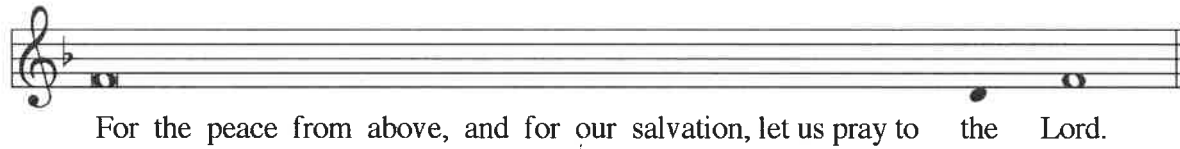
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

**\*KYRIE**



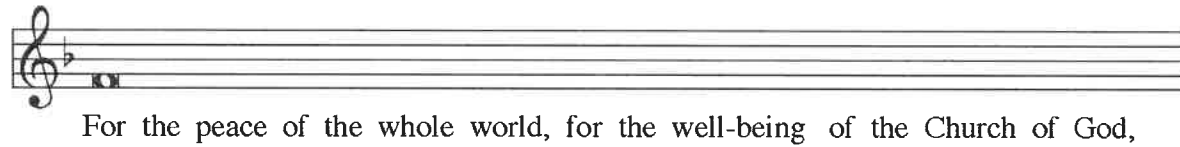
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



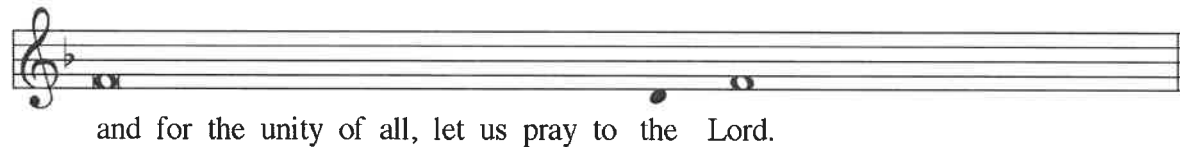
For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



**Lord, have mer - cy.**



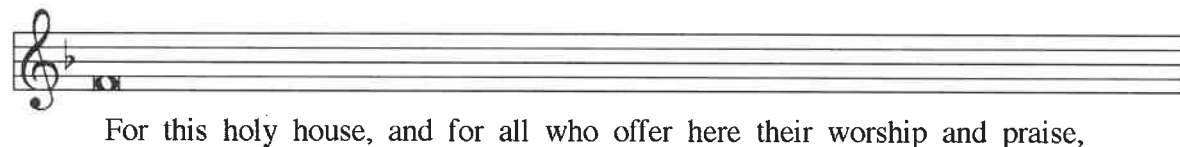
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



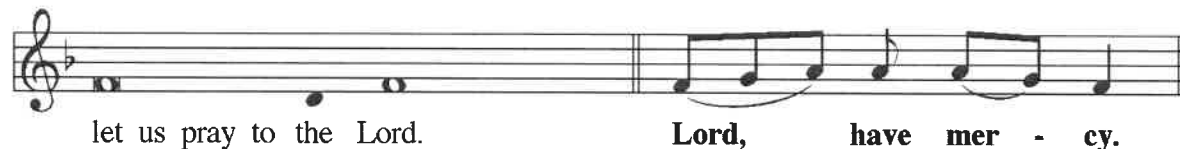
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



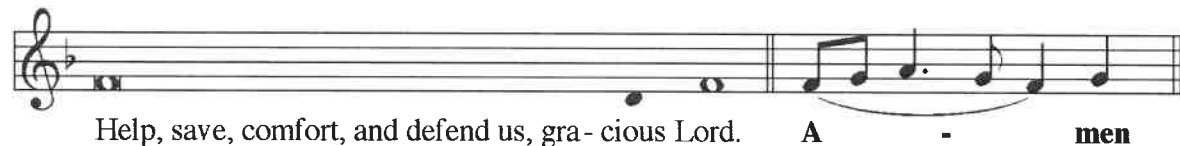
**Lord, have mer - cy.**



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. **A - men**

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE**



**This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.**



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



**Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose**



**blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.**



**This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.**



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



**Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and**



**hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.**



**This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.**



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

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE (cont)**

Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and

join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:

Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to

God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.

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

For the Lamb who was slain has be -

gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.

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

## **\*PRAYER OF THE DAY**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray. . . .

God of life, on this day you poured forth upon your church your Spirit, through whom we are one body, the body of Christ. Unite us at your table that we may be poured forth into the world, bearing witness to your grace and mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen**

## **FIRST READING:**

The First Reading is from Numbers, the 11<sup>th</sup> chapter.

<sup>24</sup>Moses went out and told the people the words of the Lord. And he gathered seventy men of the elders of the people and placed them around the tent. <sup>25</sup>Then the Lord came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the Spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders. And as soon as the Spirit rested on them, they prophesied. But they did not continue doing it. <sup>26</sup>Now two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the Spirit rested on them. They were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. <sup>27</sup>And a young man ran and told Moses, "Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp." <sup>28</sup>And Joshua the son of Nun, the assistant of Moses from his youth, said, "My lord Moses, stop them." <sup>29</sup>But Moses said to him, "Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the Lord's people were prophets, that the Lord would put his Spirit on them!" <sup>30</sup>And Moses and the elders of Israel returned to the camp.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM: 25



- <sup>1</sup>To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul; my God, I put my trust in you;  
let me not be humiliated, nor let my enemies triumph over me.
- <sup>2</sup>Let none who look to you be put to shame;  
let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.
- <sup>3</sup>Show me your ways, O Lord,  
and teach me your paths. **Refrain:**
- <sup>4</sup>Lead me in your truth and teach me,  
for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.
- <sup>5</sup>Remember, O Lord, your compassion and love,  
for they are from everlasting.
- <sup>6</sup>Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions;  
remember me according to your love and for the sake of your goodness, O Lord.  
**Refrain:**
- <sup>7</sup>Gracious and upright is the Lord;  
therefore he teaches sinners in his way.
- <sup>8</sup>He guides the humble in doing right  
and teaches his way to the lowly.
- <sup>9</sup>All the paths of the Lord are love and faithfulness  
to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies. **Refrain:**



## **SECOND READING:**

The Second Reading is from Acts, the 2<sup>nd</sup> chapter.

<sup>1</sup>When the day of Pentecost arrived, {the disciples} were all together in one place. <sup>2</sup>And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. <sup>3</sup>And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. <sup>4</sup>And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance. <sup>5</sup>Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. <sup>6</sup>And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. <sup>7</sup>And they were amazed and astonished, saying, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? <sup>8</sup>And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? <sup>9</sup>Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, <sup>10</sup>Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, <sup>11</sup>both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians — we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God.” <sup>12</sup>And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” <sup>13</sup>But others mocking said, “They are filled with new wine.” <sup>14</sup>But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them: “Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words. <sup>15</sup>For these people are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day. <sup>16</sup>But this is what was uttered through the prophet Joel: <sup>17</sup>‘And in the last days it shall be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams; <sup>18</sup>even on my male servants and female servants in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy. <sup>19</sup>And I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and vapor of smoke; <sup>20</sup>the sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the day of the Lord comes, the great and magnificent day. <sup>21</sup>And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.’”

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## \*CELTIC ALLELUIA

Refrain



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

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

Verses



1. Now he is liv - ing, the Christ. Out of the  
2. Christ is the first-fruits from death, fill - ing the

1. tomb he is ris - en; he has con - quered death,  
2. church with his glo - ry! Dark - ness van - ish - es


1. o - pened heav - en to all be - liev - ers. \_\_\_\_\_  
2. in the light \_\_\_\_\_ of his pow - er. \_\_\_\_\_

to Refrain

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## \*GOSPEL:

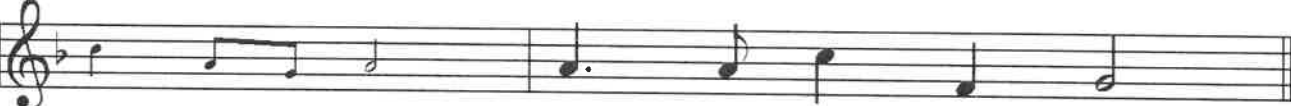
The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 7<sup>th</sup> chapter.



Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

<sup>37</sup>On the last day of the feast, the great day, Jesus stood up and cried out, "If anyone thirsts, let him come to me and drink. <sup>38</sup>Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, 'Out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.'" <sup>39</sup>Now this he said about the Spirit, whom those who believed in him were to receive, for as yet the Spirit had not been given, because Jesus was not yet glorified.

The Gospel of the Lord.



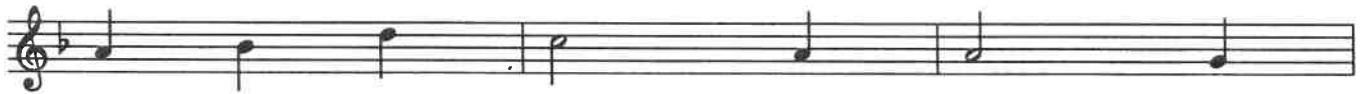
Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON Pr. Paul "From Sneering to Cheering"

HYMN OF THE DAY Breathe On Me Breath Of God



1. Breathe on me, breath of God, fill me with life a - new,  
2. Breathe on me, breath of God, un - til my heart is pure,  
3. Breathe on me, breath of God, till I am whol - ly Thine,  
4. Breathe on me, breath of God, so shall I nev - er die,



that I may love what Thou dost  
un - til with Thee I will one  
till all this earth - ly part of  
but live with Thee the per - fect



love, and do \_\_\_\_\_ what Thou wouldst do.  
will, to do \_\_\_\_\_ and to en - dure.  
me glows with \_\_\_\_\_ Thy fire di - vine.  
life of Thine \_\_\_\_\_ e - ter - ni - ty.

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**\*NICENE CREED**

**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.**

**Through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven;  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the virgin Mary,  
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven**

**and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.**

**With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.**

**He has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.**

**We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen**

**\*PRAYERS**

We pray in the Spirit:  
**Jesus is Lord.**

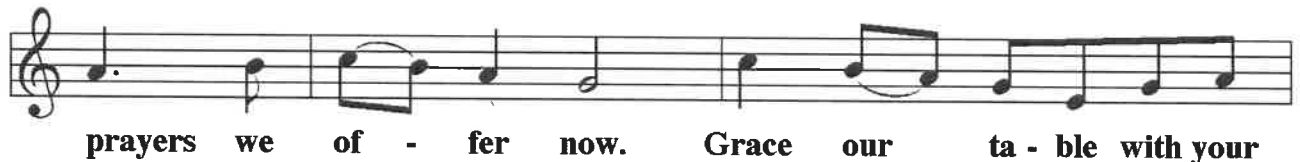
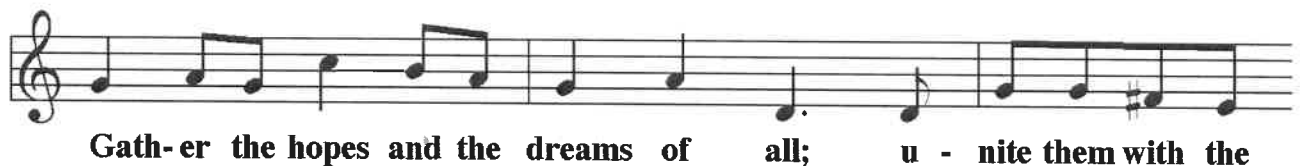
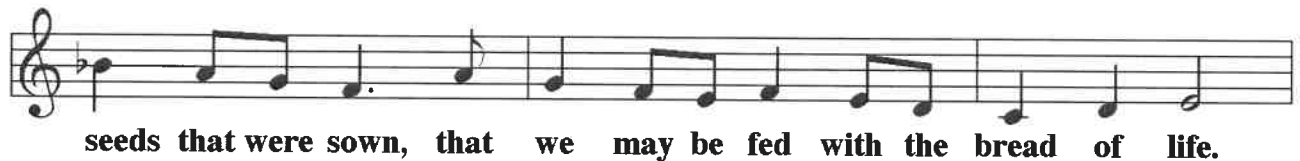
**\*PEACE**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

*(Let us greet one another with Christ's peace.)*

**OFFERTORY "ON THE DAY OF PENTECOST" Faith Choir**  
*Words and Music by Douglas Nolan*

**\*LET THE VINEYARDS**



## OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray.

Merciful Father,

**we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

## \*GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also 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.**

## \*PREFACE

## \*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.

**\*LORD'S PRAYER**

**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.**

**\*LAMB OF GOD**



**Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have**



**mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the**



**world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the**



**sin of the world; grant us peace.**

## COMMUNION

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

**Amen.**


## COMMUNION HYMN I Received the Living God



I re - ceived the liv - ing God, and my heart is full of joy.




I re - ceived the liv - ing God, and my heart is full of joy.



1 Je - sus said: I am the bread, knead - ed long to give you life;  
2 Je - sus said: I am the way, and my Fa - ther longs for you;  
3 Je - sus said: I am the truth; come and fol - low close to me.  
4 Je - sus said: I am the life, far from whom no thing can grow,

*Refrain*



you who will par - take of me need not ev - er fear to die.  
so I come to bring you home to be one with us a - new.  
You will know me in your heart, and my word shall make you free.  
but re - ceive this liv - ing bread, and my Spir - it you shall know.

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### **\*POST COMMUNION BLESSING**

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you unto life everlasting.

**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**

#### **\*BLESSING**

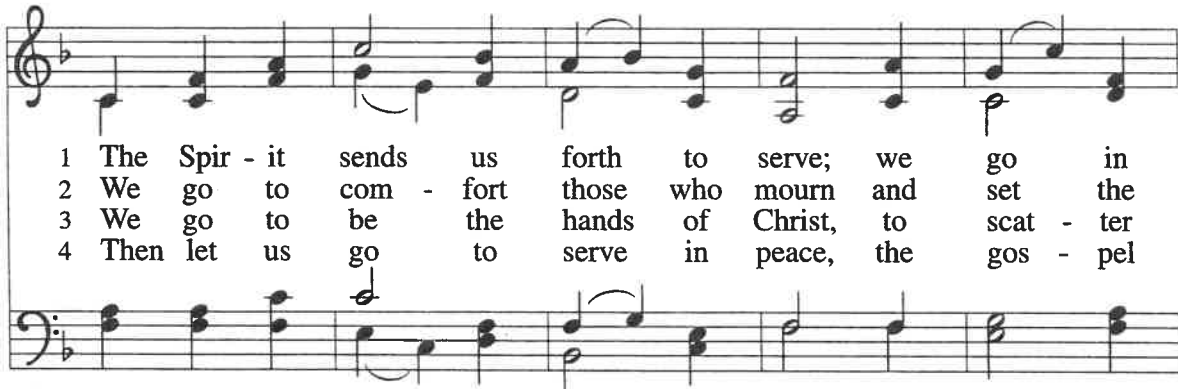
The Lord bless you and keep you.

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

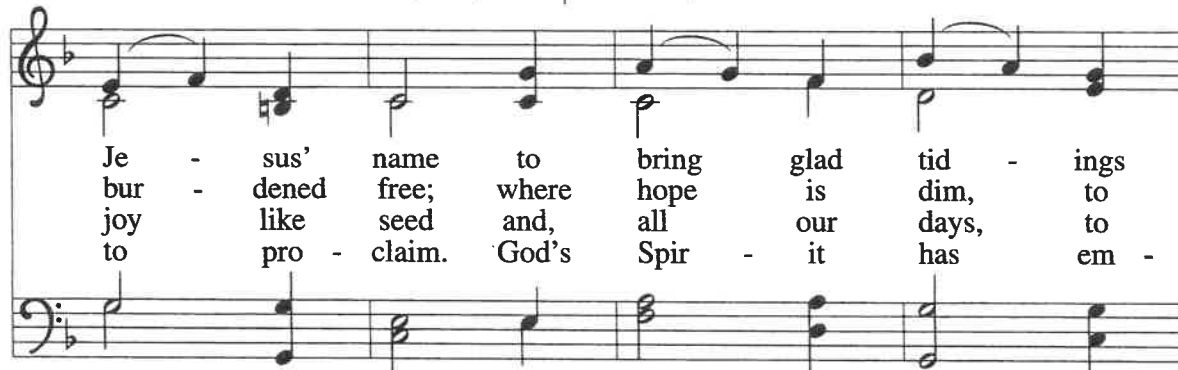
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

**Amen**

**\*SENDING HYMN The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve**



1 The Spir - it sends us forth to serve; we go in  
 2 We go to com - fort those who mourn and set the  
 3 We go to be the hands of Christ, to scat - ter  
 4 Then let us go to serve in peace, the gos - pel



Je - sus' name to bring glad tid - ings  
 bur - dened free; where hope is dim, to  
 joy like seed and, all our days, to  
 to pro - claim. God's Spir - it has em -



to the poor, God's fa - vor to pro - claim.  
 share a dream and help the blind to see.  
 cher - ish life, to do the lov - ing deed.  
 pow - ered us; we go in Je - sus' name.

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### DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

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### SERVING THE FAMILY OF FAITH

#### This Week: 5/24

Reader: Renate Gray

Communion: Gina Schiess

Fellowship: Deb Ebert

Usher: Ken Schiess

Assisting Minister: Gina Schiess

#### Next Week: 5/31

Reader:

Communion: Jan Zinnecker

Fellowship: Jan Zinnecker

Usher: Gary Ebeltoft

Birthday: Friday, 5/29 Sandra Humphrey

Reminder: 5/25 Memorial Day

5/28 Women's Bible Study 10:00 AM

5/31 Holy Trinity Sunday

Given to the glory of God: \$2,545.00

#### Next Week's Readings:

Genesis 1:1-2:4a; Psalm 8; Acts 2:14a, 22-36; Matthew 28:16-20