Saint Anne's Episcopal Church

The Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

Sunday, November 15, 2026 – 9:30 AM

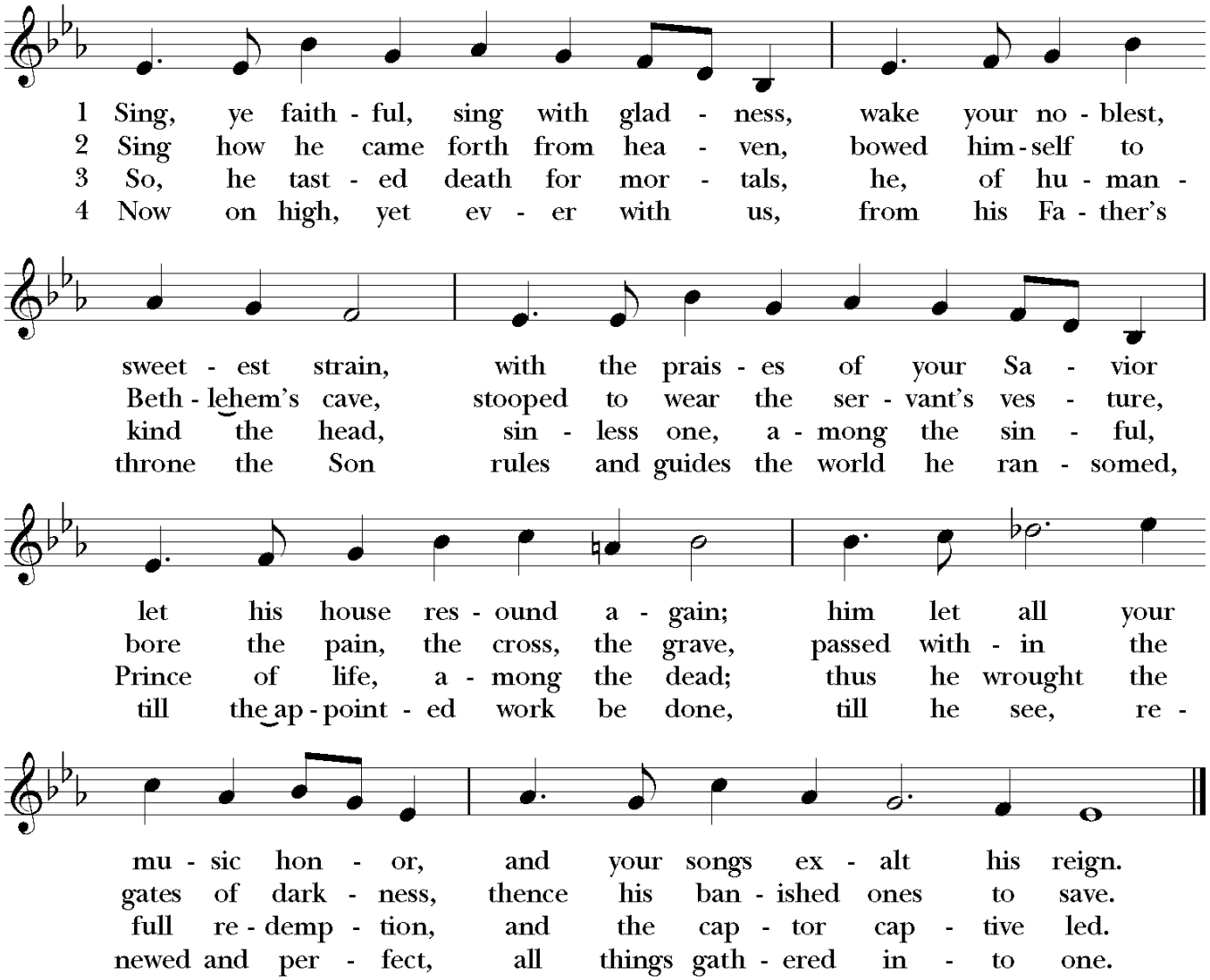
Welcome. Ushers are available by the doors if you have questions or need assistance.

This worship service is broadcast live on the Church Website and Facebook Page and the video remains available to view online. By participating in this service, you (and your family) may be visible to online viewers.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE TWO

THE WORD OF GOD

At the sound of the church bell, please stand as you are able.

Hymn 492 *Sing, Ye Faithful*

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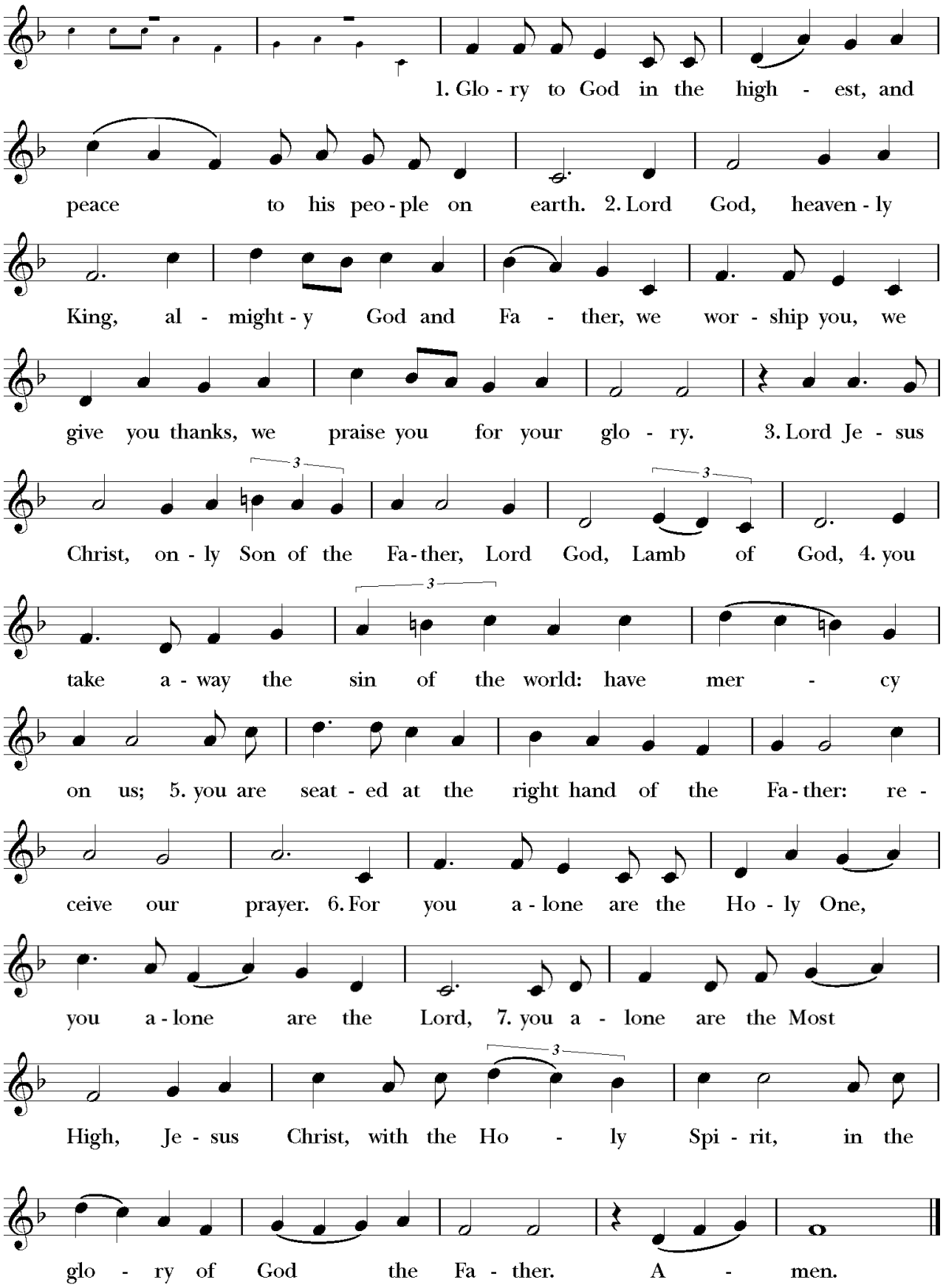
The Presider says

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People *And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.*

The Presider says

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you 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 Christ our Lord.

People *Amen.*

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The Collect of the Day

The Presider says

The Lord be with you.

People *And also with you.*

Presider Let us pray.

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People *Amen*

The Lessons

Please be seated.

A Reading from Zephaniah *1:7, 12-18*

Be silent before the Lord God! For the day of the Lord is at hand; the Lord has prepared a sacrifice, he has consecrated his guests. At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps, and I will punish the people who rest complacently on their dregs, those who say in their hearts, "The Lord will not do good, nor will he do harm." Their wealth shall be plundered, and their houses laid waste. Though they build houses, they shall not inhabit them; though they plant vineyards, they shall not drink wine from them. The great day of the Lord is near, near and hastening fast; the sound of the day of the Lord is bitter, the warrior cries aloud there. That day will be a day of wrath, a day of distress and anguish, a day of ruin and devastation, a day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and thick darkness, a day of trumpet blast and battle cry against the fortified cities and against the lofty battlements. I will bring such distress upon people that they shall walk like the blind; because they have sinned against the Lord, their blood shall be poured out like dust, and their flesh like dung. Neither their silver nor their gold will be able to save them on the day of the Lord's wrath; in the fire of his passion the whole earth shall be consumed; for a full, a terrible end he will make of all the inhabitants of the earth.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm 90: 1-8, 12

The Psalm is read responsively by half verse, breaking at the asterisk. The Reader says the first line, and the congregation responds with the next line.

1 Lord, you have been our refuge *
from one generation to another.

2 Before the mountains were brought forth, or the land and the earth were born, *
from age to age you are God.

3 You turn us back to the dust and say, *
"Go back, O child of earth."

4 For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past *
and like a watch in the night.

5 You sweep us away like a dream; *
we fade away suddenly like the grass.

6 In the morning it is green and flourishes; *
in the evening it is dried up and withered.

7 For we consume away in your displeasure; *
we are afraid because of your wrathful indignation.

8 Our iniquities you have set before you, *
and our secret sins in the light of your countenance.

12 So teach us to number our days *
that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.

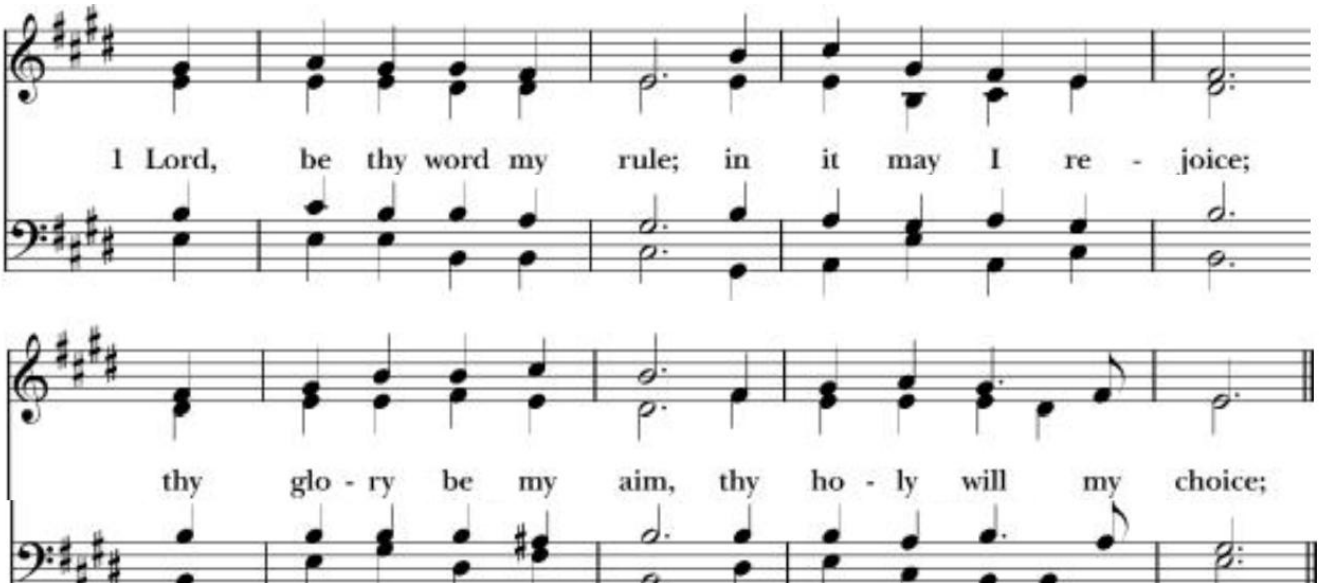
A Reading from the First Letter to the Thessalonians *5:1-11*

Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

Please stand as you are able.

Hymn 626 v1 *Lord, be thy word my rule*

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The Holy Gospel according to Matthew *25:14-30*

The Presider says

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Jesus said, "It is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money.

After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.'

And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.'

Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' But his master replied, 'You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'"

Presider The Gospel of the Lord.

People *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

The Sermon The Rev. Russell Bohner

Please be seated.

The Nicene Creed

Please stand as you are able. Said together.

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.
Who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified.
Who 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.

The Prayers of the People

The Lector leads the Prayers and Confession. The People respond to each prayer with "Lord, have mercy." During the silences, the Ministers and People offer their own petitions and thanksgivings.

With all our heart and mind and soul, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy."
For the peace from above, for the loving-kindness of God, and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord,

People *Lord, have mercy.*

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God, and for the unity of all people, let us pray to the Lord,

People *Lord, have mercy.*

For our bishop, and for all clergy and faithful people, let us pray to the Lord,
People *Lord, have mercy.*

For everyone in government, for the leaders of all nations, and for all in authority, may they work for justice, equity, and peace; let us pray to the Lord,
People *Lord, have mercy.*

For the good earth that God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord,
People *Lord, have mercy.*

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphaned, for the sick and the suffering, and for those we name now (*silence*). Let us pray to the Lord,
People *Lord, have mercy.*

For the poor and oppressed, for the unemployed and destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord,
People *Lord, have mercy.*

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, for all the departed, and for those we name now (*silence*). Let us pray to the Lord,
People *Lord, have mercy.*

For all the blessings of our lives, especially for those blessings we name now (*silence*). Let us pray to the Lord,
People *Lord, have mercy.*

For the forgiveness of our sins and the grace to amend our lives, let us pray to the Lord,

The Lector and People pray together
Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Presider says
Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.
People *Amen.*

The Peace
The Presider says
The Peace of the Lord be always with you.
People *And also with you.*
The Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Offertory

The Presider says an Offertory sentence. During the Offertory, the ushers take the collection. All contributions support the church's worship, mission, and ministry. Everyone is invited, no one is expected, to donate. Contributions of all amounts are gratefully accepted. To make a secure online donation, please scan this QR code:

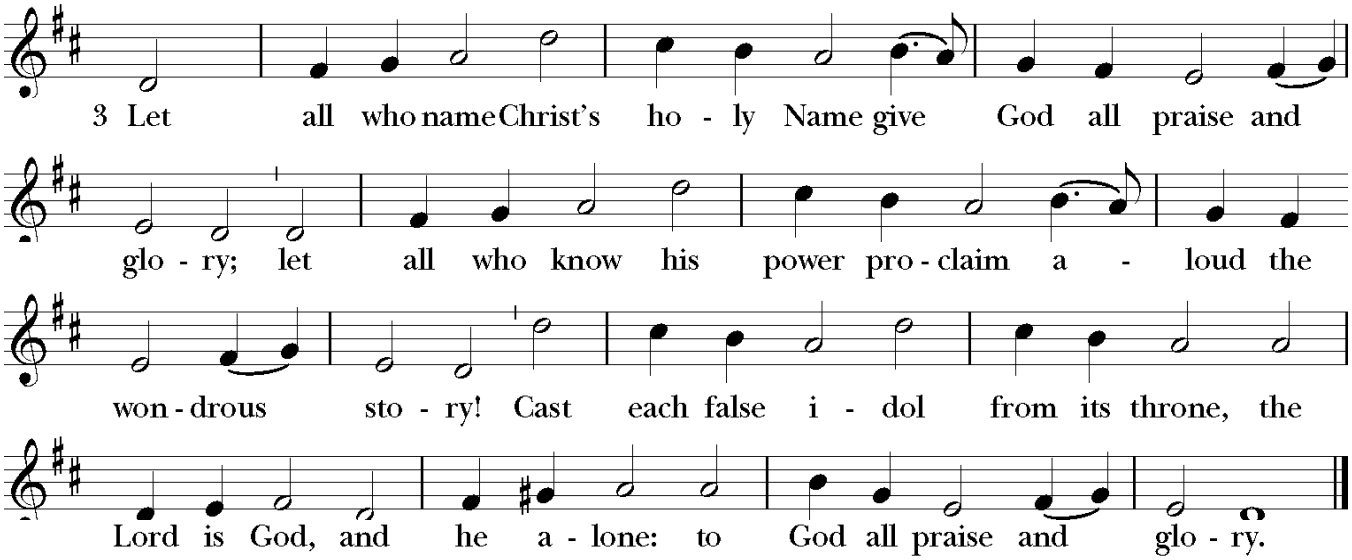
The Offertory Anthem

Saint Anne's Choir

Please stand as you are able. During the Hymn, the ushers process the gifts to the altar, and children who wish to assist with Holy Communion follow behind them. Children will be visible to online viewers, as this worship service is broadcast live on the Church Website and Facebook Page, and the video remains available online.

Hymn 408 v3

Sing praise to God who reigns above



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The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

The People remain standing. The Presider says

The Lord be with you.

People *And also with you.*

Presider Lift up your hearts.

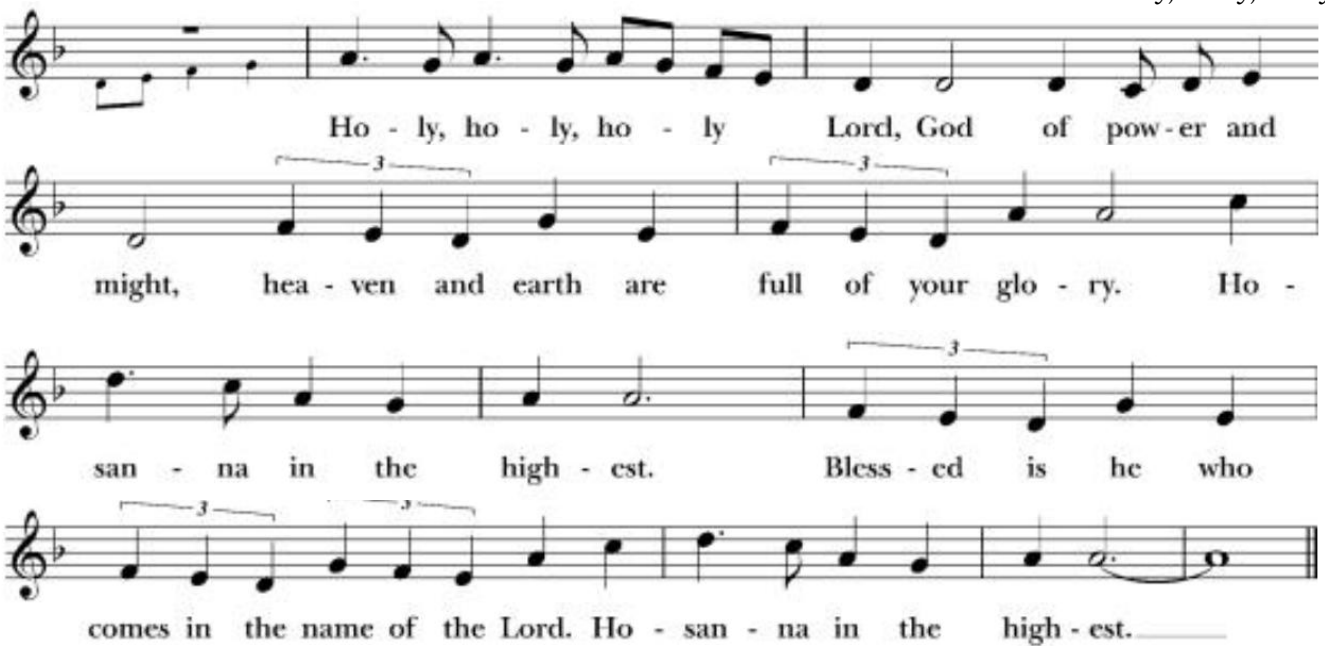
People *We lift them to the Lord.*

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People *It is right to give our thanks and praise.*

The Presider continues

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth; for you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

S129 *Holy, Holy, Holy*

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The Presider continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Presider and People

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

The Presider continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

People ***AMEN.***

The Presider says

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Said together.

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,
for ever and ever. Amen.

The Presider elevates and breaks the consecrated Bread, saying

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

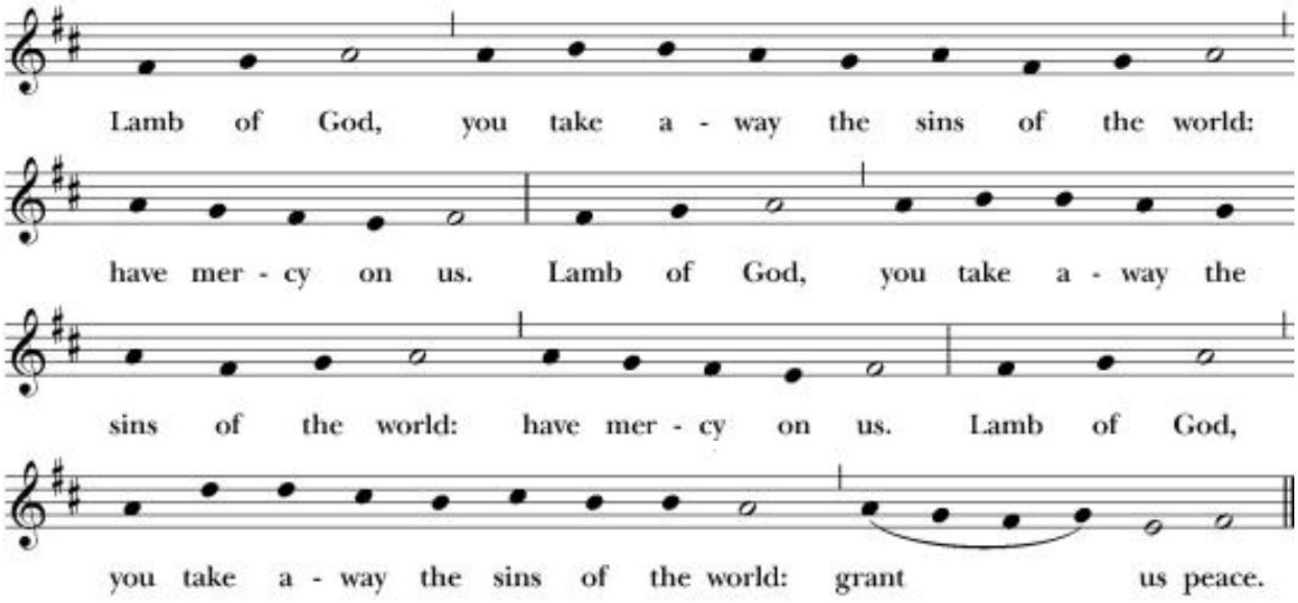
People *Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.*

The Presider says

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

People *Thanks be to God.*

Hymn S161 *Lamb of God*

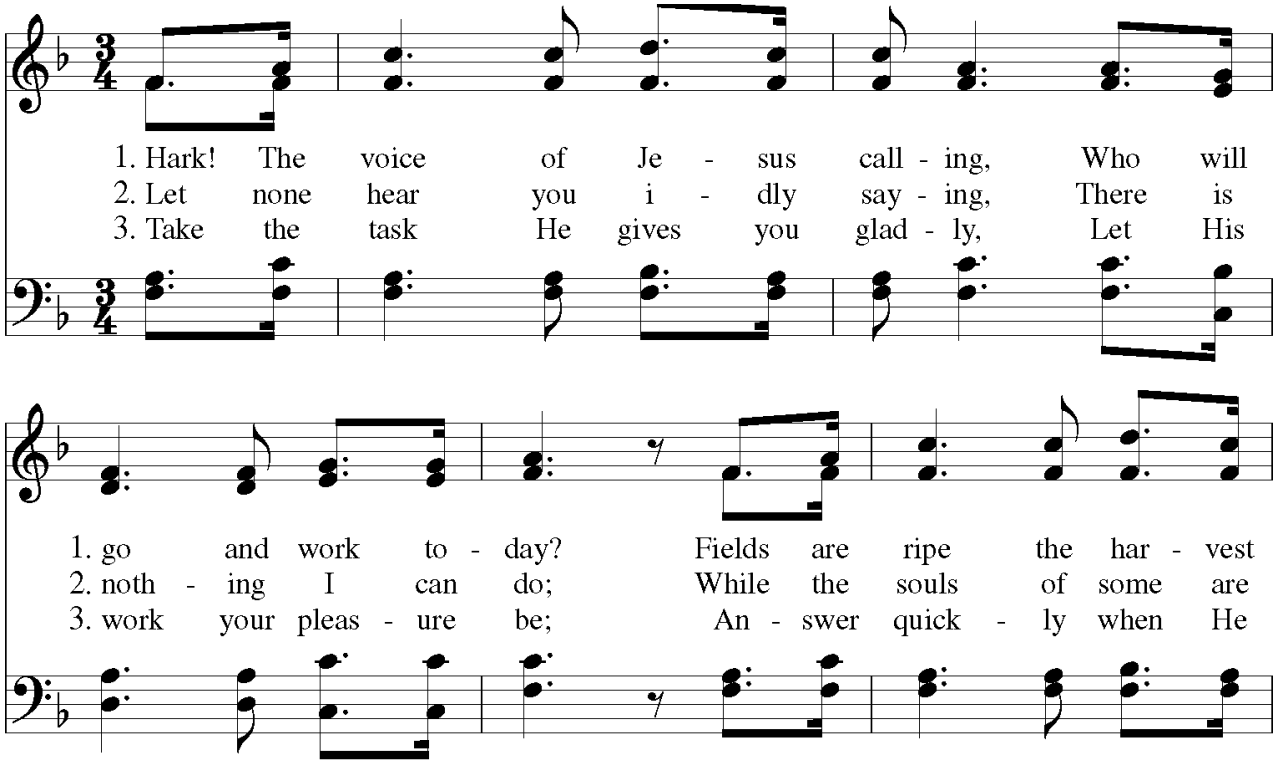
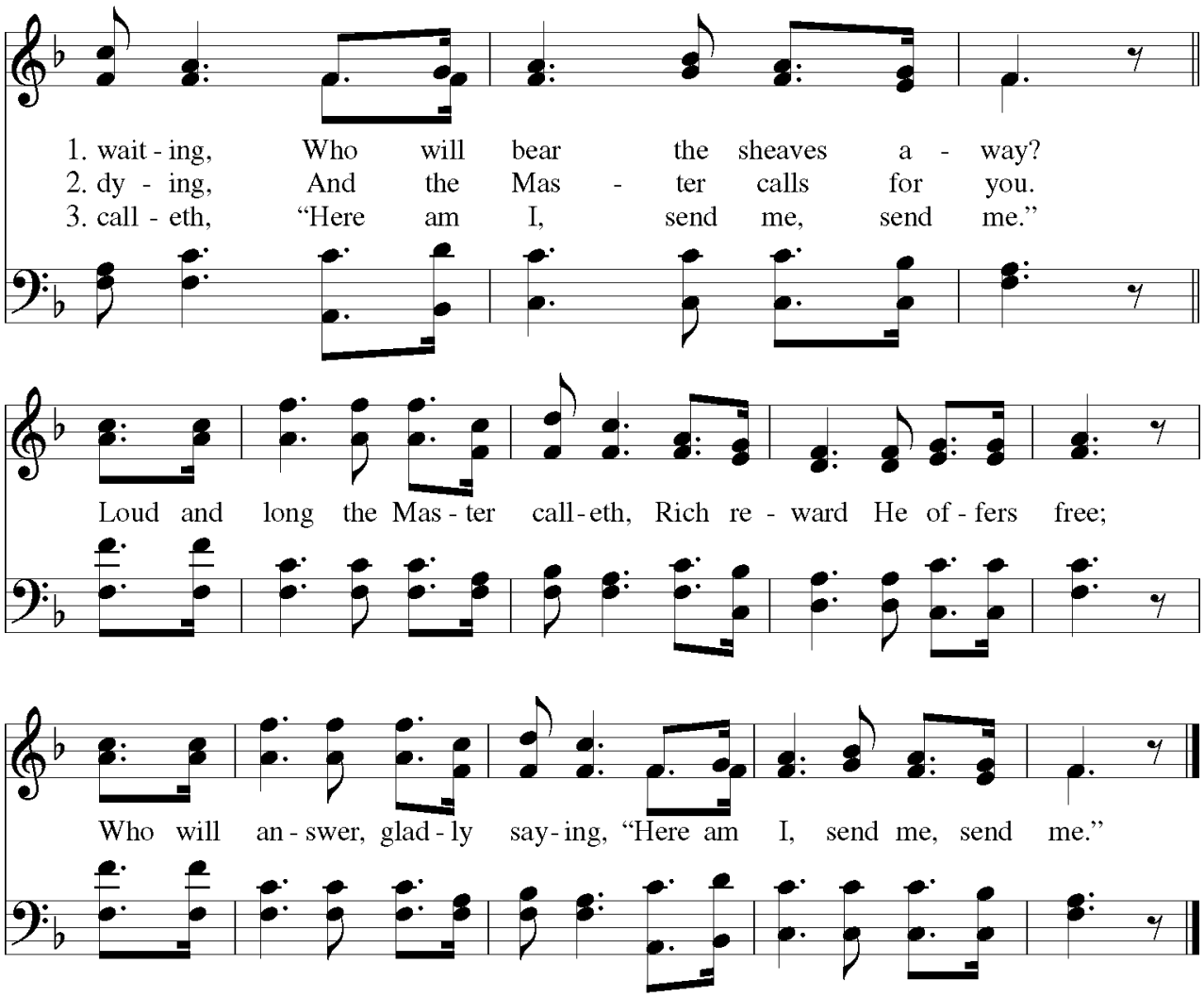


Music: From *New Plainsong*; David Hurd (b. 1950)

The Communion of the Faithful

The People come forward to receive Holy Communion. You may receive both the consecrated Bread and Wine or just the Bread. To receive the Bread, place your right hand (palm up) on your left and extend your hands to the Minister. To receive the Wine, sip from the cup or dip the Bread into the cup (be careful to keep your fingers out of the wine). If you prefer to receive a blessing, come to the Priest and cross your arms on your chest. The Communion Bread is gluten-free, dairy free, and nut free.

LEVAS 126 *Here Am I, Send Me*



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The Prayer of Spiritual Communion

During the distribution of Holy Communion, the People worshiping online pray

The Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving. I remember your death, Lord Christ; I proclaim your resurrection: I await your coming in glory. And since I cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

The Post-Communion Prayer

Please stand as you are able. The Presider says

Let us pray.

Said together

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in

these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

Blessing

The Presider says

The love of our Lord Jesus draw you to himself, the power of our Lord Jesus strengthen you in his service, the joy of our Lord Jesus fill your hearts; and the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

People Amen.

Hymn 610 *Lord, whose love through humble service*

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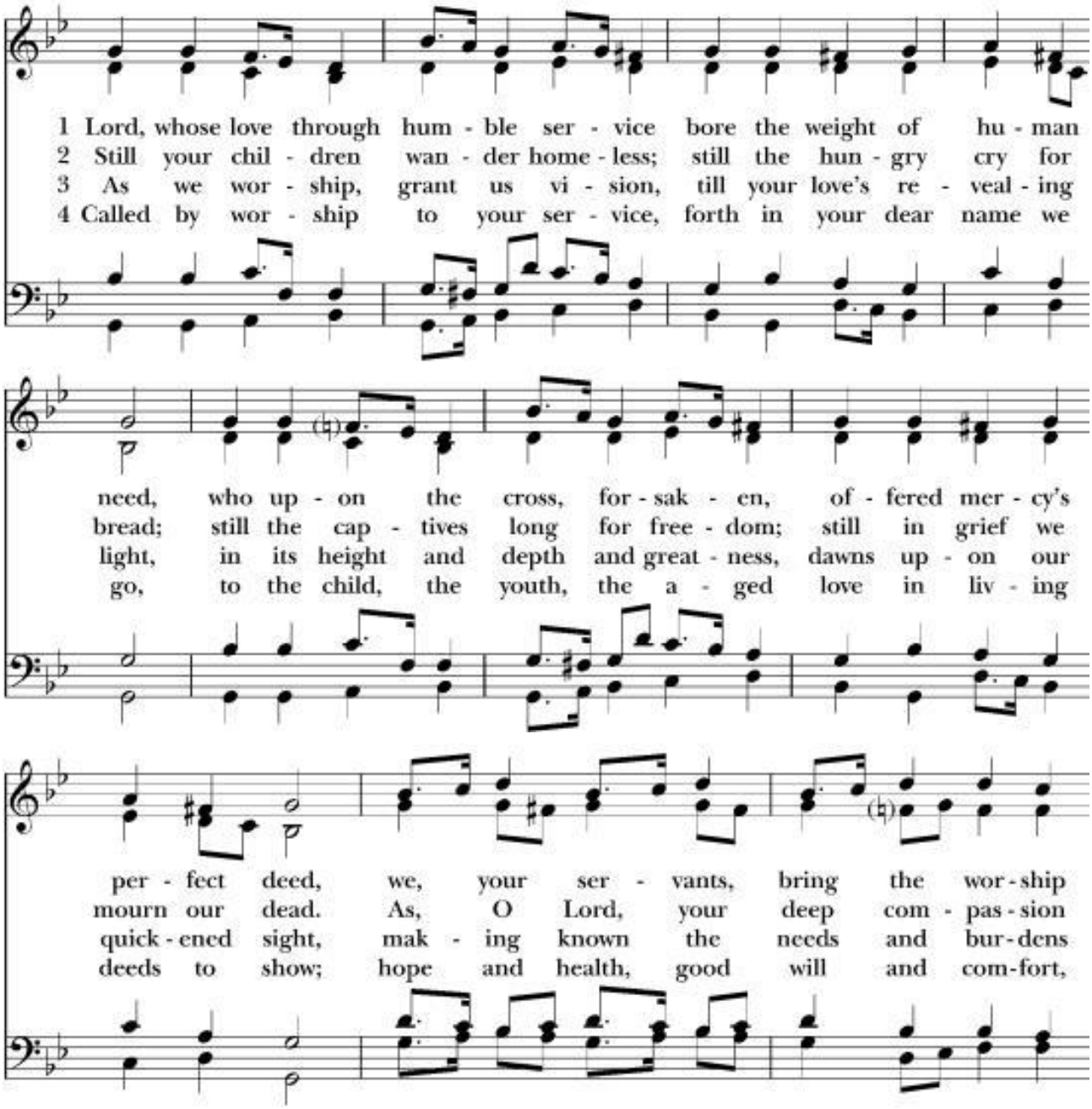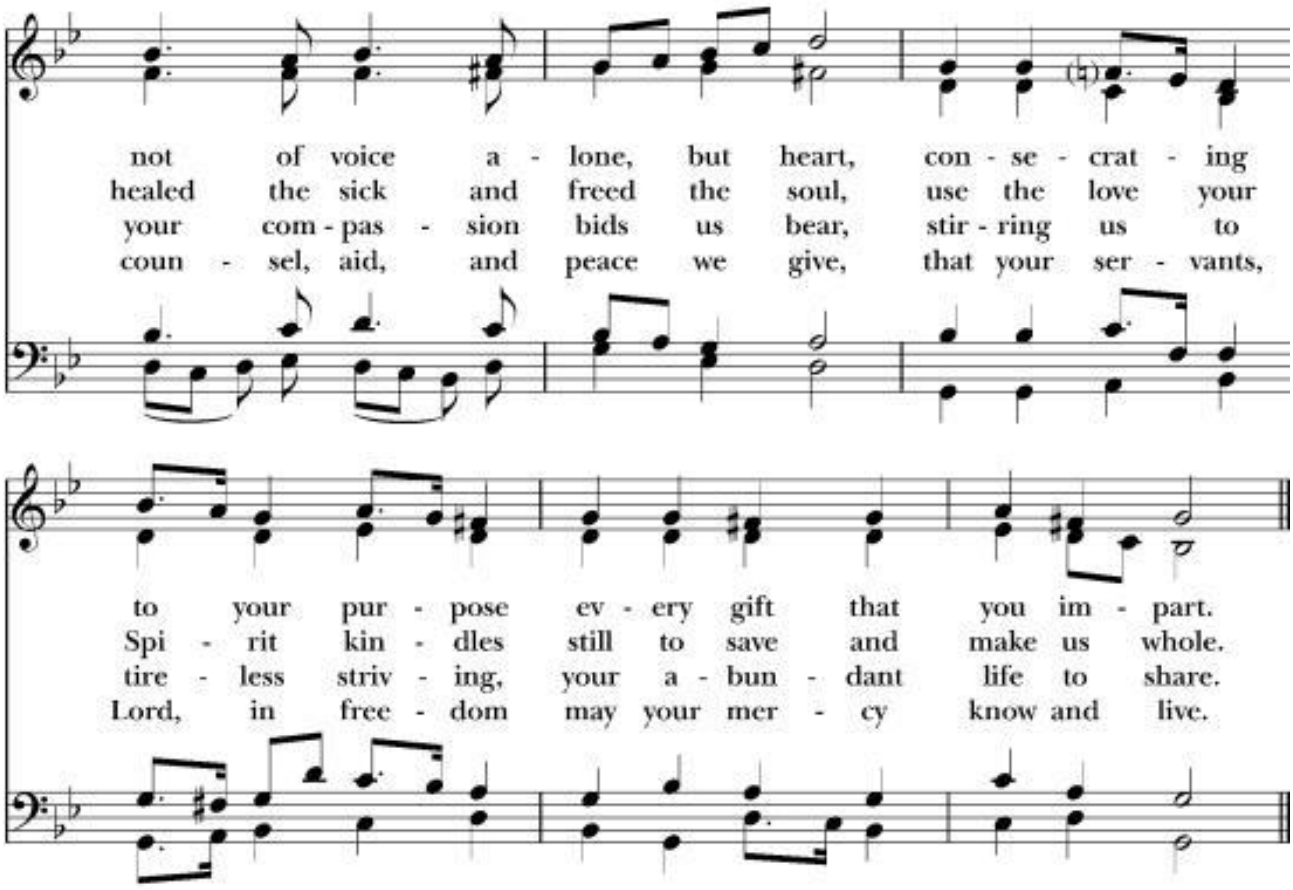
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If you are visiting and would like more information about Saint Anne's, please complete the yellow card found in the pews and place it on the offering plate or hand it to an usher.

27th Annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner
Thursday, November 26, from 12:00 to 3:00 PM

On Thanksgiving Day, Saint Anne's invites the whole community to a complete, homemade, buffet-style Thanksgiving Dinner with all the fixings, which is made possible by the generous donations of our parishioners.

Please support the dinner by volunteering, making a cash donation (make checks payable to Saint Anne's Church and write "Thanksgiving Dinner" in the memo line), or by purchasing food, which can be dropped off at the church.

We need the following items: Hams, Potatoes, Sweet Potatoes, Stuffing, Macaroni, Carrots, Brussels Sprouts, Canned Green Beans, Cream of Mushroom Soup, Crispy Fried Onions, Canned Cranberries, Butter, Milk, Orange Juice, Ice Tea, & Lemonade.
Please contact Jessie Ventura or the Church Office if you have questions.

In the Episcopal Church in Delaware, we pray for St. Anne's and St. Andrew's Schools, and for the 242nd Annual Convention of the Episcopal Church in Delaware.

In the Anglican Communion, we pray for the Iglesia Anglicana de Chile.

Parish Prayers We pray for Rita Edwards, Andrea Lewis, Patty Robertson, Sandy Simpson, Sarah Grace Tuton and Robert Willoughby, III.

The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God and in memory of Jack Webb by Charlotte Webb.

Worship Leaders: Reader: Johnie Burton. Eucharistic Ministers: Nancy Bennett & Diane Dudderar. Usher: Sarah Killingsworth. Altar Guild: Kathy Cavanaugh & Pam LeFante.

This Week at Saint Anne's

For more activities and announcements, please read our weekly newsletter, *The Messenger*, which is posted weekly on our website: SaintAnnes.Church

Tuesday, Nov. 17

9:30 AM Weekly delivery to Our Daily Bread

12:00 PM Saint Anne's serves at Our Daily Bread

Wednesday, Nov. 18

6:30 PM Vestry Meeting

7:15 PM Women's Book Club (Zoom)

Thursday, Nov. 19

8:00 AM Gospel Study (Zoom)

6:15 PM Bell Choir

Friday, Nov. 20

5:00 PM Saint Anne's serves dinner at Our Daily Bread

Sunday, Nov. 22 – Last Sunday After Pentecost

8:00 AM Holy Eucharist: Rite One

9:30 AM Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

↳*This service is in-person and broadcast live on our website and Facebook page.*

10:45 AM Fellowship, Sunday School, Rector's Forum, and Choir Rehearsal

5:00 PM Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

6:00 PM Youth Group