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Prelude

**W**ELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

GOD IS SO GOOD/JESUS LOVES ME!

Tone Chimes

**OPENING LITANY** 

God's abundance pours forth from the heavens, ensuring enough for all.

Let us live out our love in faithful stewardship.

For the sake of the hungry, the homeless, and poor,

Let us live out our love in faithful stewardship.

For God's gifts poured out in loving care,

Let us live out our love in faithful stewardship.

For disciples to generously follow and give,

Let us live out our love in faithful stewardship.

Until all are fed and can truly live,

Let us live out our love in faithful stewardship.

#### GREETING

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

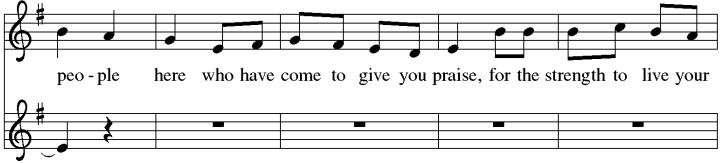
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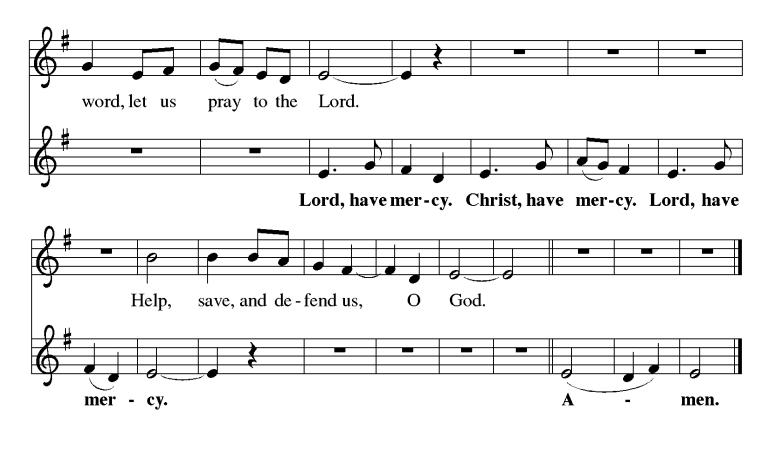
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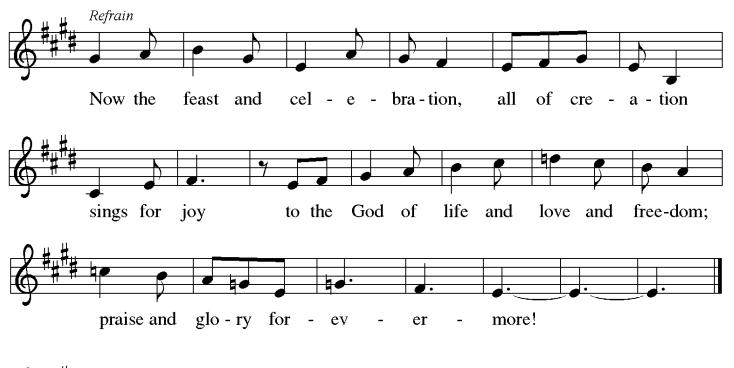






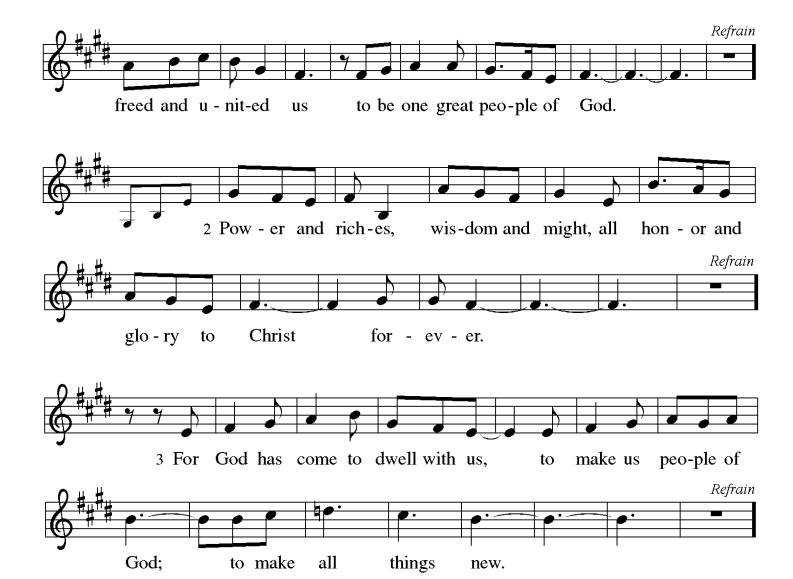
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feast of the Lamb once slain,

whose blood has



PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray -

Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us your gift of faith, that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to what lies ahead, we may follow the way of your commandments and receive the crown of everlasting joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.



CHILDREN'S SERMON

READING: Amos 5:6-7, 10-15

<sup>6</sup>Seek the Lord and live,

or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire, and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it.

<sup>7</sup>Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood,

and bring righteousness to the ground!

<sup>10</sup>They hate the one who reproves in the gate, and they abhor the one who speaks the truth.
<sup>11</sup>Therefore because you trample on the poor and take from them levies of grain, you have built houses of hewn stone, but you shall not live in them; you have planted pleasant vineyards, but you shall not drink their wine.
<sup>12</sup>For I know how many are your transgressions, and how great are your sins—
you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe, and push aside the needy in the gate.
<sup>13</sup>Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time; for it is an evil time.

14Seek good and not evil, that you may live;
and so the Lord, the God of hosts, will be with you, just as you have said.
15Hate evil and love good, and establish justice in the gate;
it may be that the Lord, the God of hosts, will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

PSALM: PSALM 90:12-17

that we may gain a wise heart.

Turn, O LORD! How long?

Have compassion on your servants!

Have compassion on your servants!

Make us in the morning with your steadfast love, so that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.

Make us glad as many days as you have afflicted us, and as many years as we have seen evil.

Let your work be manifest to your servants, and your glorious power to their children.

Tet the favor of the LORD our God be upon us, and prosper for us the work of our hands.

O prosper the work of our hands!

READING: HEBREWS 4:12-16

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup>Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. <sup>13</sup>And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

<sup>14</sup>Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. <sup>15</sup>For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. <sup>16</sup>Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

# GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Leader sings first, congregation sings second time.



GOSPEL: MARK 10:17-31

The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the 10th chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.** 

<sup>17</sup>As Jesus was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" <sup>18</sup>Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. <sup>19</sup>You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.' " <sup>20</sup>He said to him, "Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth." <sup>21</sup>Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, "You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." <sup>22</sup>When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

<sup>23</sup>Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" <sup>24</sup>And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! <sup>25</sup>It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." <sup>26</sup>They were greatly astounded and said to one another, "Then who can be saved?" <sup>27</sup>Jesus looked at them and said, "For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible."

<sup>28</sup>Peter began to say to him, "Look, we have left everything and followed you." <sup>29</sup>Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, <sup>30</sup>who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields, with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. <sup>31</sup>But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first."

The Gospel of our Lord.

Praise to you O Christ

**S**FRMON

HYMN SEEK YE FIRST

Seek ye first the kingdom of God and its righ-teous-ness, and all these things shall be add-ed unto you. Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia.

Ask and it shall be giv-en unto you; seek and ye shall find; knock and the door shall be o-pened unto you. Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia.

We do not live by bread alone, but by ev-'ry word that proceeds from the mouth of God. Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia.

# Apostle's 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

Response to "Lord in your mercy" is "hear our prayer." If you would like to add a prayer petition, email it to Pastor Aleese at <a href="mailto:pastor@shepherdofthecross.org">pastor@shepherdofthecross.org</a>

# SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always!

# And also with you!

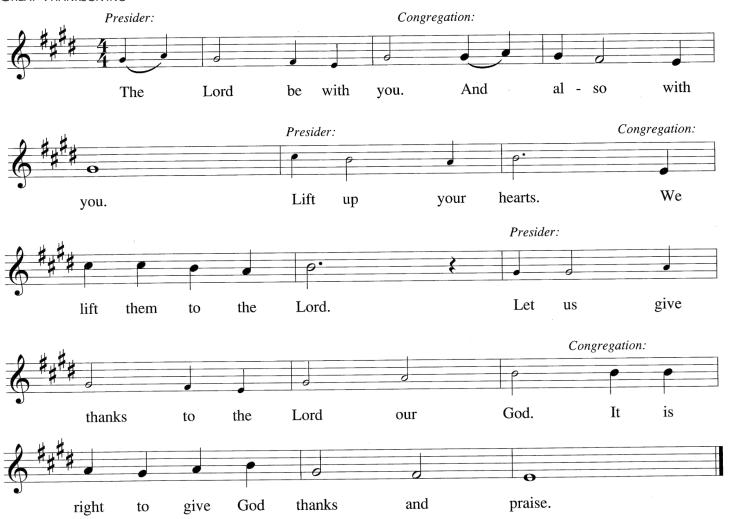
Congregation is invited to share a sign of peace with others. Pull out your cell phones and send a text and/or a picture to someone, sharing the peace of Christ with them as well!



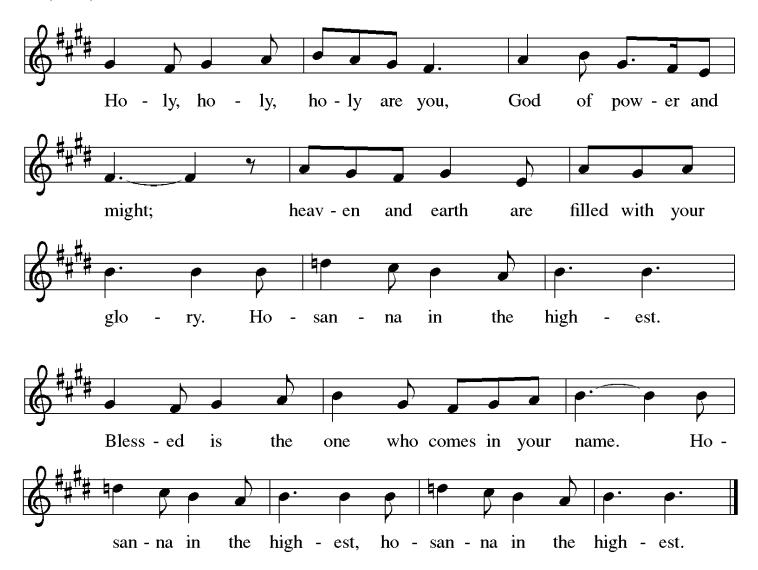
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**PREFACE** 



#### Words of Institution

## LORD'S PRAYER

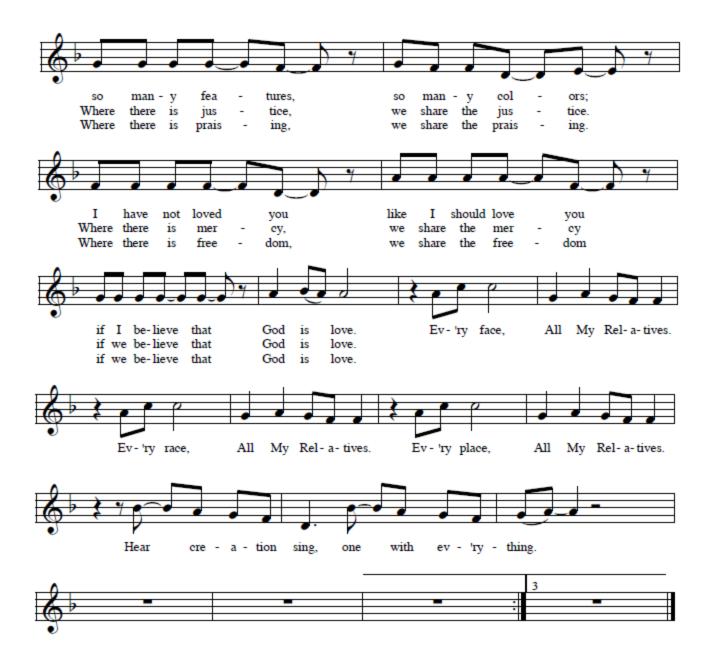
Gathered into one by the Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

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.

#### COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

Congregation is invited to receive the sacrament communally with the entire congregation or within their family units. If you are worshipping on your own, hear the words proclaimed by Pastor Aleese as God's Word of promise is spoken to you. All are welcome to share in God's feast given to us in love.





PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

------ SENDING -----

BLESSING



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#### DISMISSAL

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Thanks be to God!

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