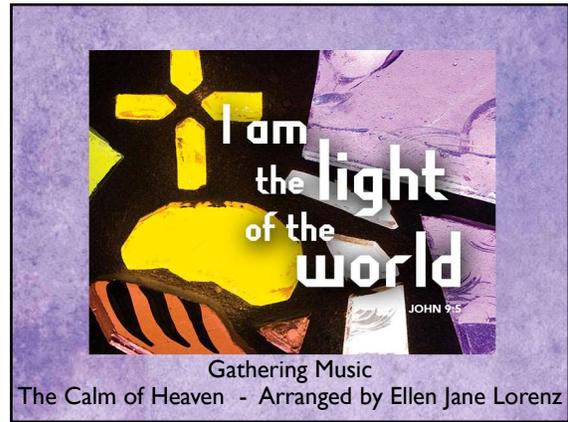
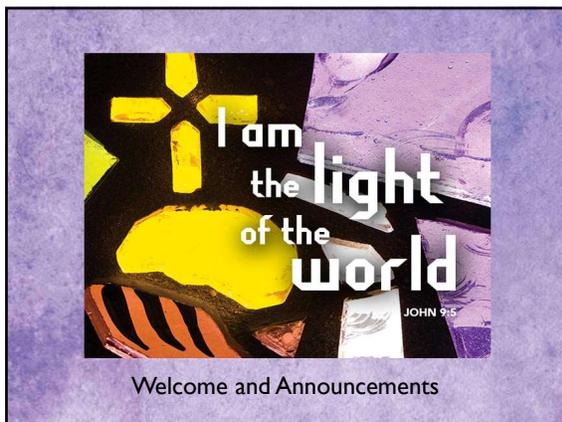


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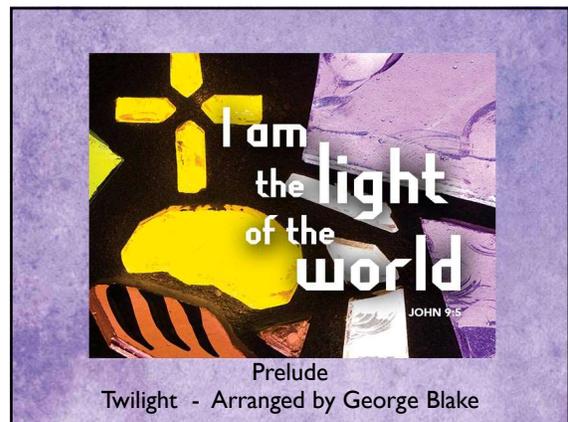
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Gathering Music
The Calm of Heaven - Arranged by Ellen Jane Lorenz



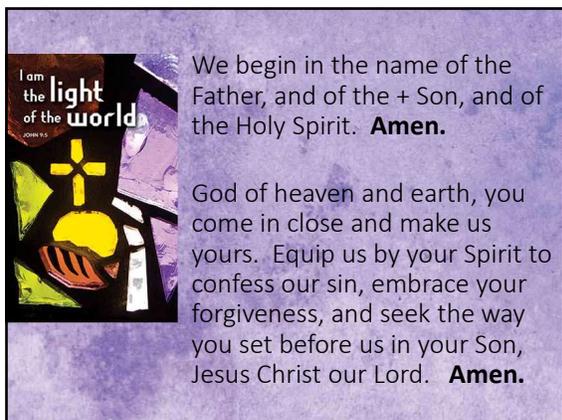
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Welcome and Announcements



4

Prelude
Twilight - Arranged by George Blake



5

We begin in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

God of heaven and earth, you come in close and make us yours. Equip us by your Spirit to confess our sin, embrace your forgiveness, and seek the way you set before us in your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

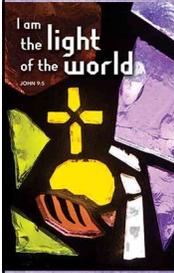


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With honesty of heart, let us confess our sin.
(silence is kept for reflection)

Merciful God,
Forgive us.

**Our will is handcuffed to sin,
and we cannot break free. We
have spoken when we should
have kept quiet. *(silence)***

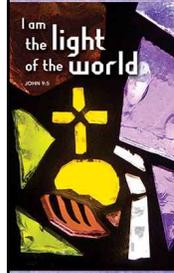


Forgive us.
We were silent when we should have said something.
(silence)

Forgive us.
We acted when we knew better
(silence)

Forgive us.
We were still when we know we should have moved.
(silence)

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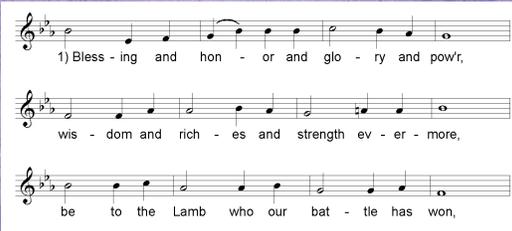


Forgive us.
For the wrong we have done, and for the good we have failed to do, have mercy on us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

People of God, look to the +Son, given to heal you and set you free because God loved the world so much. Take hold of life – eternal life! **Amen.**

8

Gathering Song
Blessing and Honor ELW #854



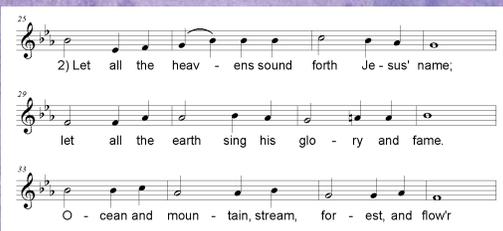
1) Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and pow'r,
wis - dom and rich - es and strength ev - er - more,
be to the Lamb who our bat - tle has won,

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whose are the king - dom, the crown, and the throne;
whose are the king - dom, the crown, and the throne!

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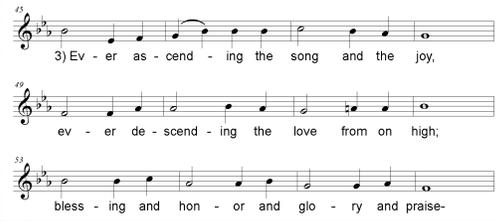
2) Let all the heav - ens sound forth Je - sus' name;
let all the earth sing his glo - ry and fame.
O - cean and moun - tain, stream, for - est, and flow'r

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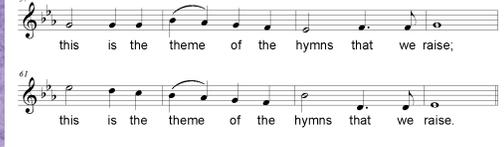
ech - o his prais - es and tell of his pow'r,
ech - o his prais - es and tell of his pow'r.

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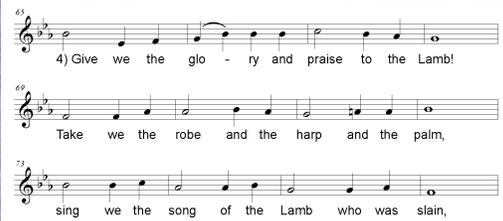
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3) Ev - er as - cend - ing the song and the joy,
49
ev - er de - scend - ing the love from on high;
53
bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and praise-

13



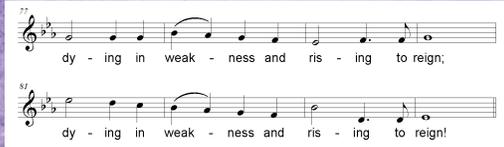
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this is the theme of the hymns that we raise;
61
this is the theme of the hymns that we raise.

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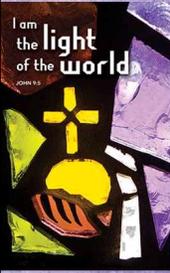
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4) Give we the glo - ry and praise to the Lamb!
69
Take we the robe and the harp and the palm,
73
sing we the song of the Lamb who was slain,

15



77
dy - ing in weak - ness and ris - ing to reign;
81
dy - ing in weak - ness and ris - ing to reign!

16



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.

17

KYRIE

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.

18

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



Lord, have mer - cy.

19

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.

20

For this holy house, and for all who
offer here their worship and praise,
let us pray to the Lord.



Lord have mer - cy.

21

Help, save, comfort, and defend
us gracious Lord.



A - men.

22

Prayer of the Day

**Lord of love, you have taught us
that love is your greatest
commandment. Teach us
to love as unconditionally
as you love us.
Amen.**

23

First Reading:
Psalm 89 (*pew Bible p. 534*)
A Prayer of Remembrance and Hope

Congregation: **We remember your people, O
Lord, the people of the promise. We hear
their songs of praise, and our hearts rise up
as we join our voices with theirs. We too will
sing of your steadfast love forever.**

24

Reader: (Verses 5-8)

⁵ Let the heavens praise your wonders, O LORD,
your faithfulness in the assembly of the holy ones.
⁶ For who in the skies can be compared to the LORD?
Who among the heavenly beings is like the LORD,
⁷ a God feared in the council of the holy ones,
great and awesome above all that are around
him?
⁸ O LORD God of hosts,
who is as mighty as you, O LORD?
Your faithfulness surrounds you.

25

Congregation: **We remember your people,
O Lord, the people of the promise. We
also hear and echo their lament. We
attempt to grasp their despair, and we
share our own.**

26

Reader: (Verses 46-49)

⁴⁶ How long, O LORD? Will you hide yourself forever?
How long will your wrath burn like fire?
⁴⁷ Remember how short my time is—^[g]
for what vanity you have created all mortals!
⁴⁸ Who can live and never see death?
Who can escape the power of Sheol?
⁴⁹ Lord, where is your steadfast love of old,
which by your faithfulness you swore to David?

27

Congregation: **We remember your people,
the people of your covenant.
We tremble at their persistent praise.
Even in the face of hardship, they said:
“Blessed be the name of the Lord.”**

28

Reader: (Verse 52)

⁵² Blessed be the LORD forever.
Amen and Amen.

29

Congregation: **We remember your people, O Lord,
the people of the promise.
And we also know that even in times of trouble,
you were with them.
You were with them, sending prophets to
announce your covenant faithfulness and to call
your people to obedience.
You were with them, preparing the way for the
coming of the Anointed One, our Messiah and
Christ.
Truly we say: “Blessed be the name of the Lord.”**

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Reader:

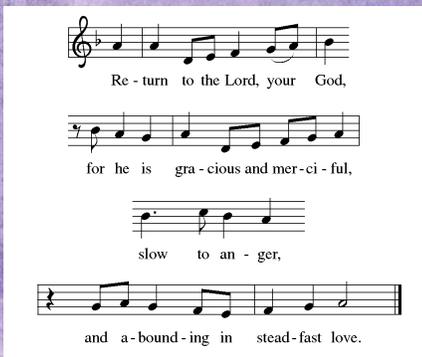
When we despair,
we remember your faithfulness
and we proclaim:

Congregation:

**"Blessed be the name of the Lord.
Blessed be the name of the Lord!"**

31

Gospel Acclamation



Re - turn to the Lord, your God,
for he is gra - cious and mer - ci - ful,
slow to an - ger,
and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

32

GOSPEL Reading
The Holy Gospel according to
Mark 12:28-34, 41-44 (*pew Bible p. 924*)
Glory to you, O Lord. (*congregation is seated*)
The First Commandment

²⁸ One of the scribes came near and heard them disputing with one another, and seeing that he answered them well, he asked him, "Which commandment is the first of all?" ²⁹ Jesus answered, "The first is, 'Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God, the Lord is one; ³⁰ you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.'

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³¹ The second is this, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these."
³² Then the scribe said to him, "You are right, Teacher; you have truly said that 'he is one, and besides him there is no other';
³³ and 'to love him with all the heart, and with all the understanding, and with all the strength,' and 'to love one's neighbor as oneself,'—this is much more important than all whole burnt offerings and sacrifices.

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³⁴ When Jesus saw that he answered wisely, he said to him, "You are not far from the kingdom of God." After that no one dared to ask him any question.

The Widow' Offering

⁴¹ He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums.
⁴² A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny.

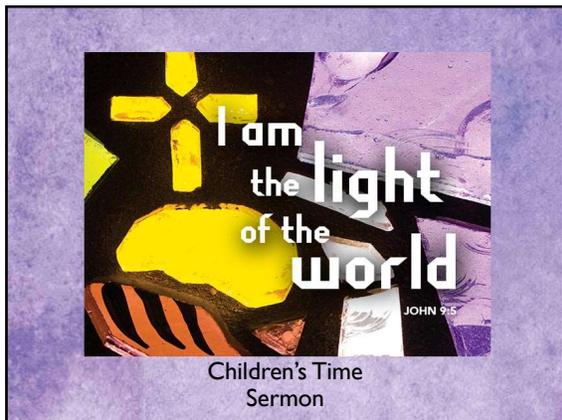
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⁴³ Then he called his disciples and said to them, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury.
⁴⁴ For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on."

The Gospel of our Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ

36



37

Hymn of the Day
O God of Mercy, God of Light ELW #714

1) O God of mer - cy, God of light,
in love and mer - cy in - fi - nite,
teach us, as ev - er in your sight,
to live our lives in you.

38

2) You sent your Son to die for all,
that our lost world might hear your call;
oh, hear us lest we stray and fall!
We rest our hope in you.

39

3) Teach us the les - son Je - sus taught,
to feel for those his blood has bought,
that ev - 'ry deed and word and thought
may work a work for you.

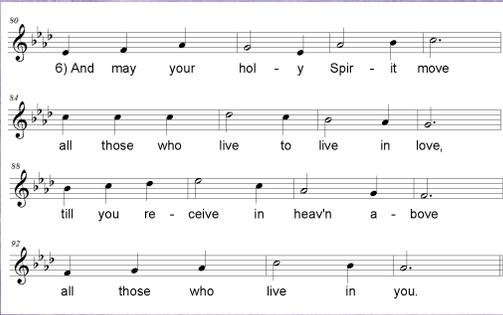
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4) For all are kin - dred, far and wide,
since Je - sus Christ for all has died,
grant us the will, and grace pro - vide,
to love them all in you.

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5) In sick - ness, sor - row, want, or care,
may we each o - ther's burd - ens share;
may we, where help is need - ed, there
give help as though to you.

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6) And may your hol - y Spir - it move
all those who live to live in love,
till you re - ceive in heav'n a - bove
all those who live in you.

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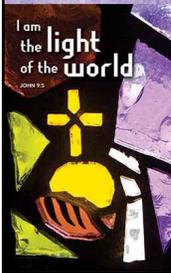
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**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son,
our Lord, who was conceived by the
power of the Holy Spirit, born of the
virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius
Pilate, was crucified, died,
and was buried;**

44

**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.**

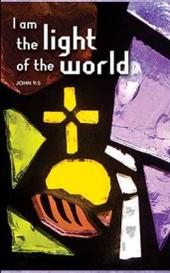
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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

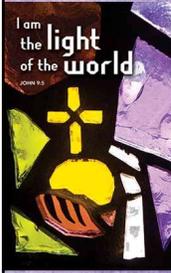
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SHARING OF THE PEACE

*The sign of Peace is not the same as saying "hello" to those sitting near us in worship. The Peace of Christ, rather, is a sign of the forgiveness and love that we receive in Holy Communion.
Our hope is to share that with each other in this community.*

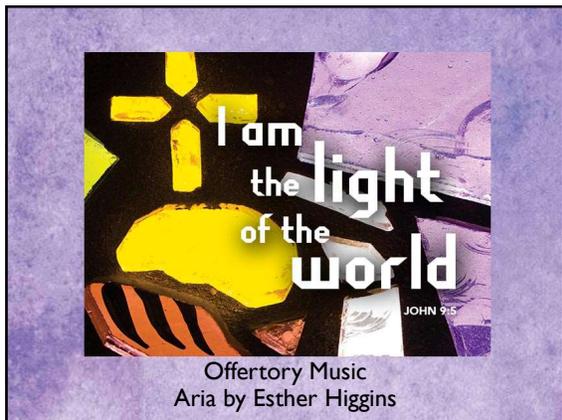
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Offering

In response to God's goodness, Christians return to God their time, ability, money, and their whole lives in service to God. All are invited to share in this act of thankfulness and worship.

48



49

Create in Me a Clean Heart
Offering Song

Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re-new a right
spir-it with-in me. Cast me not a-way from your pres-ence, and take
not your Ho-ly Spir-it from me. Re-store to me the joy of
your sal - va - tion, and up-hold me with your free Spir - it.

50

Offertory Prayer

Merciful God, receive the sacrifice of our
praise and thanksgiving, and the
offering of our lives, that following in
the way of the cross, we may know the
joy of the resurrection; through Christ
Jesus our Lord. Amen.

51

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 our thanks and praise.

52

Words of Institution

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.

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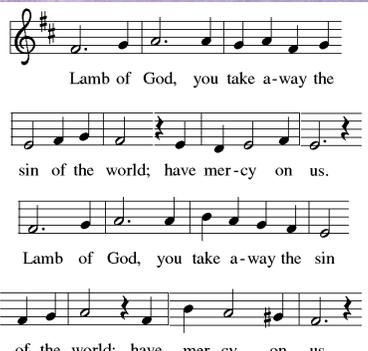
Invitation to the Table

*All are welcome at Jesus' table.
He gives of himself in the bread and wine,
and invites us to receive it for the forgiveness of sin. Please
form one line in the aisle as you come forward. Using the
practice of intinction, you may choose to dip the bread in
either wine (darker) or grape juice (lighter). If you need
Communion brought to you, please tell an usher. Children
and adults who would like a blessing instead of receiving
Communion, please indicate this by crossing your hands
over your heart.*

**Return to God with all your heart.
Receive bread for the journey,
and drink for the desert places.**

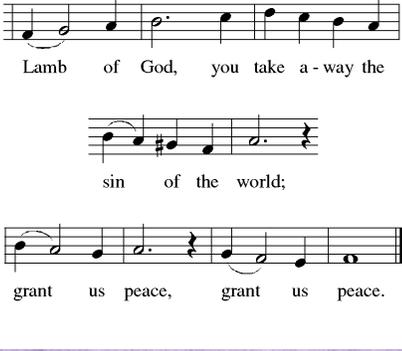
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Lamb of God



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.

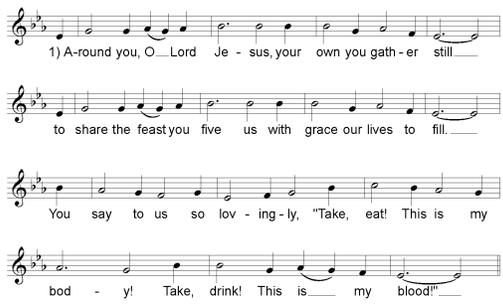
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Lamb of God, you take a-way the
sin of the world;
grant us peace, grant us peace.

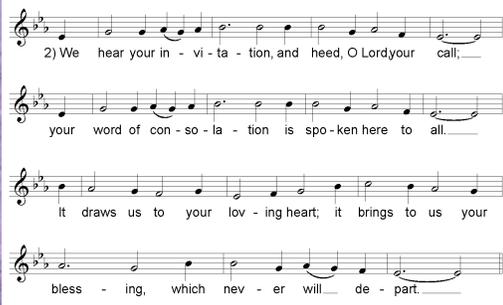
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Communion Hymn
Around You, O Lord Jesus **ELW #468**



1) A-round you, O Lord Je - sus, your own you gath - er still
to share the feast you give us with grace our lives to fill.
You say to us so lov - ing - ly, "Take, eat! This is my
bod - y! Take, drink! This is my blood!"

57



2) We hear your in - vi - ta - tion, and heed, O Lord your call;
your word of con - so - la - tion is spo - ken here to all.
It draws us to your lov - ing heart; it brings to us your
bless - ing, which nev - er will de - part.

58



3) We are your own for - ev - er, un - til our fi - nal breath
we will be true and nev - er in joy, in grief, in death -
de - part from you, for you are still a - mong your peo - ple
dwell - ing, as you have said you will.

59

Blessing:

The body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, strengthen us, comfort us, and keep us unto life everlasting. **Amen.**

60

Prayer of Thanksgiving:

Compassionate God, you have fed us with the bread of heaven. Sustain us in our Lenten pilgrimage: may our fasting be a hunger for justice, our alms a means of making peace, and let our prayer be the song of grateful hearts; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

61

SENDING

May God who has called us forth from the dust of the earth, and claimed us as children of the light, strengthen you on your journey into life renewed. The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you + peace. **Amen.**

62

Sending Song

Christ is Made the Sure Foundation ELW #645
Tune: ELW #275

1) Christ is made the sure foun-da-tion. Christ the head and cor-ner-stone,
Cho-sen of the Lord and pre-cious, bind-ing all the Church in one,
Ho - ly Zi-on's help for-ev - er, And her con - fi - dence a - lone.

63

2) To this temple, where we call you, Come, O Lord of hosts, and stay;
come with all your lov - ing-kindness hear your peo-ple as they pray,
and your full-est ben - e-dic-tion shed with-in its walls to - day.

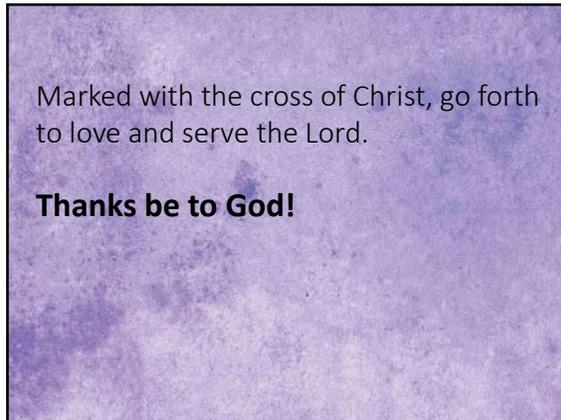
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3) Here be-stow on all your ser-vants what they seek from you to gain,
what they gain from you, for-ev - er with the bless-ed to re-tain,
and here-af - ter in your glo-ry ev - er-more with you to reign.

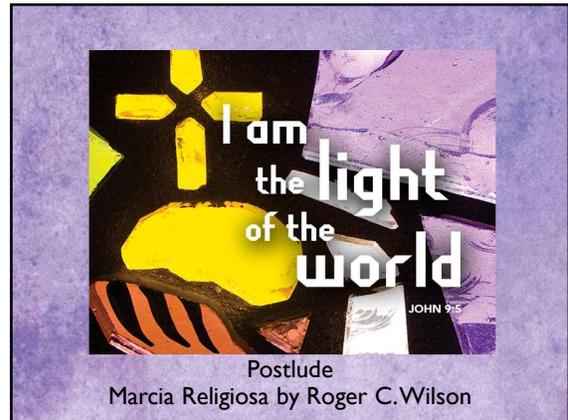
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4) Praise and hon-or to the Fa-ther, praise and hon-or to the Son,
praise and hon-or to the Spi-rit, ev - er three and ev - er one:
one in might and one in glo-ry while un - end-ing a - ges run!

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