*Welcome To*

**Trinity Lutheran Church**

Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod

*A Stephen Ministry Congregation*

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**OUR PURPOSE**

…is to **LOVE GOD, LOVE OTHERS, AND SERVE THE WORLD** by worshiping the Lord Jesus, bringing our members into Christ-like maturity, and equipping them through Word and Sacrament for their mission and ministry. We go heart to heart into the world with Jesus, sharing His love, caring for one another, praying, and bringing the lost into a relationship with Christ, by the working of the Holy Spirit.

***January 15, 2023***

*Second Sunday after Epiphany*

*Preacher: Rev. Ken Bernthal*

**ABOUT OUR WORSHIP**

**We welcome all who gather here today!** We are blessed to celebrate together the mercy, grace, and love we have from God through the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**Children:** Families with children are *very* welcome here. Having children in church is important so they can begin to learn about their faith in Jesus, and it’s good for the whole congregation to see. *Please feel comfortable keeping “squirmy”* *kids in the service. This is where they belong, too!*

***Pew Cards: Guests and Members, please fill out the Guest/Member card located on the back of the pew in front of you and pass it to the end of the aisle. If you forget you can put it in the offering plate on your way out.***

**If standing is difficult:** Please feel free to remain seated during any portion of the service. Please let an Elder or Usher know if you need communion in your pew seat.

**About our celebration of Holy Communion:** We celebrate the Lord’s Supper in the confession and glad confidence that, as he says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but his very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with him and with one another. Our Lord invites to his table those who trust his words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as he forgives and loves us, that they may show forth his death until he comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord’s body and blood contrary to that which is stated above do so to their great harm, and also because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar. Anyone who is not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the sacrament, are asked first to speak with Pastor. Those not communing are still invited to come forward for a blessing from Pastor, and you may indicate this by crossing your arms over your chest.

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**GREETING**

P Peace be with you.

**C And also with you.**

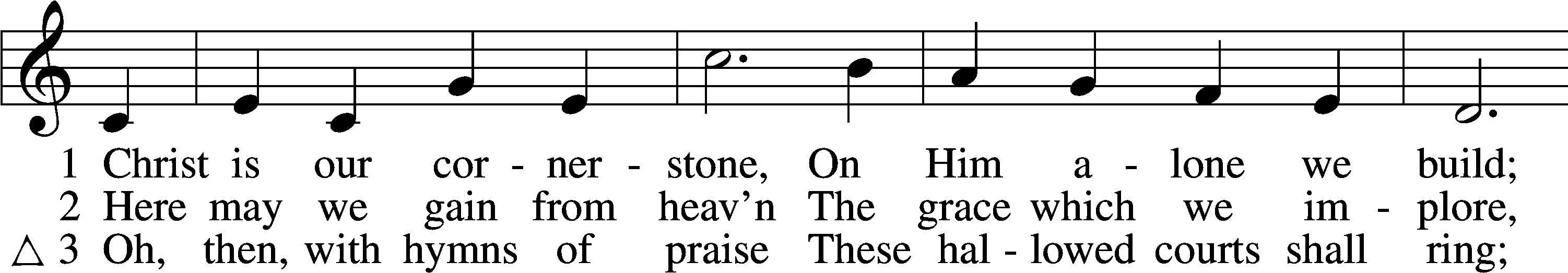
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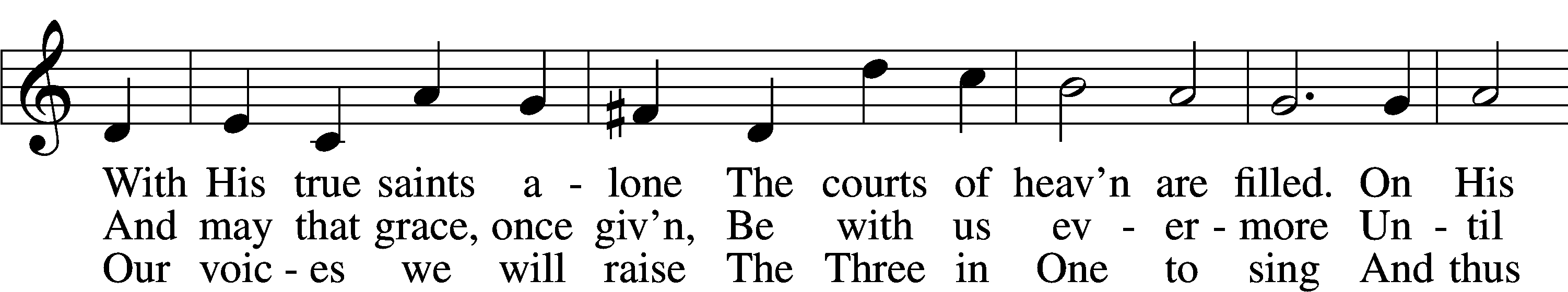
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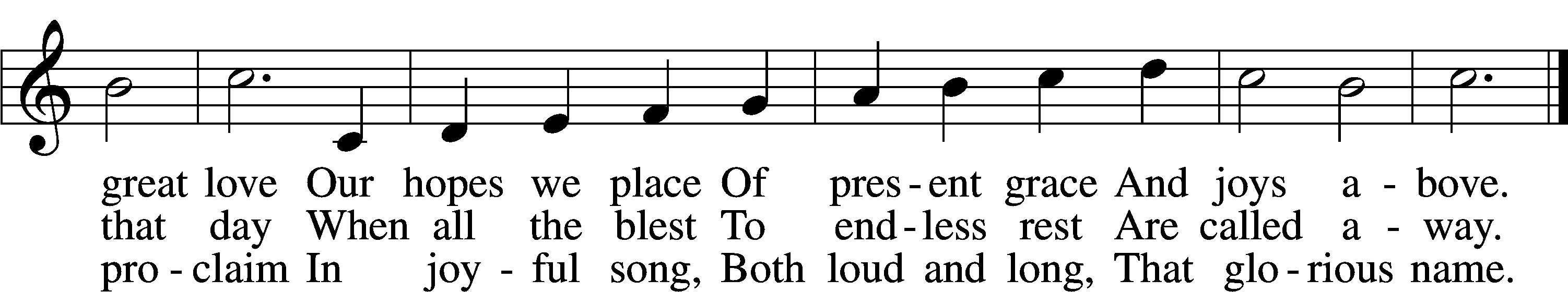
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**OPENING HYMN**

**Christ Is Our Cornerstone** *Stand on verse 3 LSB 912*







**CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION**

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

P In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C**  **Amen.**

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore, You are feared.**

P Since we are gathered to hear God’s Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

P Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **Amen.**

# **T SERVICE OF THE WORD T**

INTROIT *Psalm 19:1–4a, b; antiphon: v. 14*

P Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your

sight, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.  
**C The heavens declare the glory of God,  
 and the sky above proclaims his handiwork.**P Day to day pours out speech,  
 and night to night reveals knowledge.  
**C There is no speech, nor are there words,  
 whose voice is not heard.**P Their measuring line goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the

world. In them he has set a tent for the sun.  
**A Glory be to the Father and to the Son**  
 **and to the Holy Spirit;**  
 **as it was in the beginning,**  
 **is now, and will be forever. Amen.**  
P Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your

sight, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.

**KYRIE**  LSB 204



**HYMN OF PRAISE**

**GLORIA IN EXCELSIS** *LSB 204*









**SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY**

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, who governs all things in heaven and on earth, mercifully hear the prayers of Your people and grant us Your peace through all our days; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

*Please be seated*

OLD TESTAMENT READING *Isaiah 49:1-7*

1Listen to me, O coastlands,  
 and give attention, you peoples from afar.  
The Lord called me from the womb,  
 from the body of my mother he named my name.  
2He made my mouth like a sharp sword;  
 in the shadow of his hand he hid me;  
he made me a polished arrow;  
 in his quiver he hid me away.  
3And he said to me, “You are my servant,  
 Israel, in whom I will be glorified.”  
4But I said, “I have labored in vain;  
 I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity;  
yet surely my right is with the Lord,  
 and my recompense with my God.”  
5And now the Lord says,  
 he who formed me from the womb to be his servant,  
to bring Jacob back to him;  
 and that Israel might be gathered to him—  
for I am honored in the eyes of the Lord,  
 and my God has become my strength—  
6he says:  
“It is too light a thing that you should be my servant  
 to raise up the tribes of Jacob  
 and to bring back the preserved of Israel;  
I will make you as a light for the nations,  
 that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.”  
7Thus says the Lord,  
 the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One,  
to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nation,  
 the servant of rulers:  
“Kings shall see and arise;  
 princes, and they shall prostrate themselves;  
because of the Lord, who is faithful,  
 the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

**CHOIR *“Trust In the Lord”***

EPISTLE *1 Corinthians 1:1–9*

1Paul, called by the will of God to be an apostle of Christ Jesus, and our brother Sosthenes,

2To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints together with all those who in every place call upon the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours:

3Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

4I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus, 5that in every way you were enriched in him in all speech and all knowledge—6even as the testimony about Christ was confirmed among you—7so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift, as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ, 8who will sustain you to the end, guiltless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. 9God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

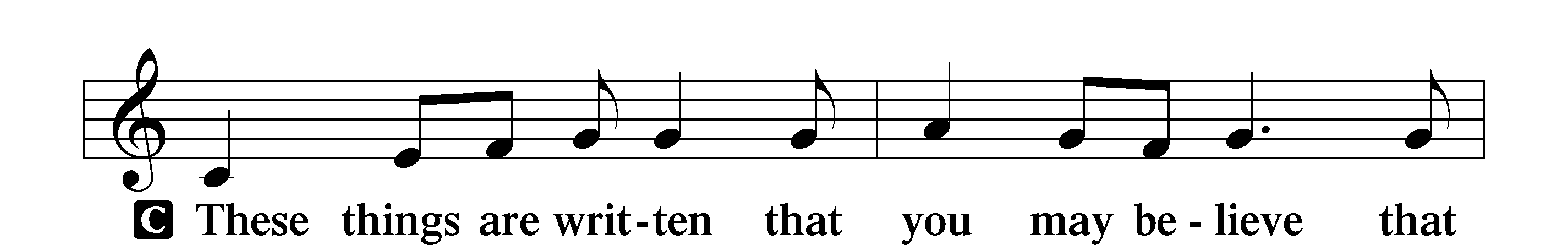
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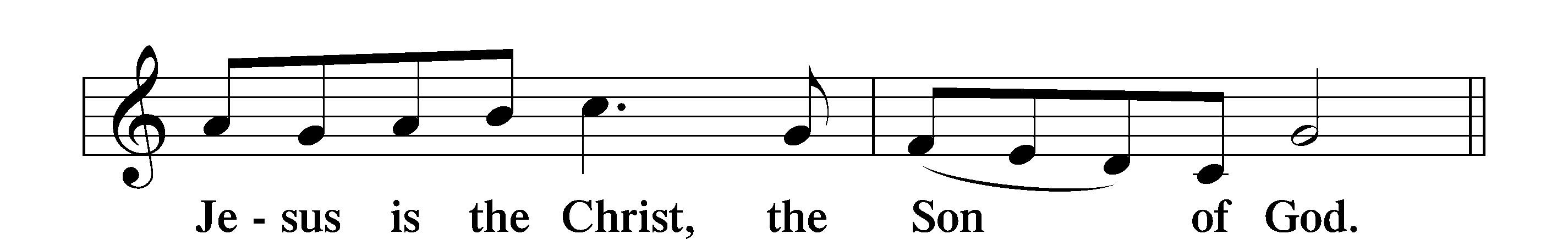
C **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand as able*

**ALLELUIA AND VERSE**









HOLY GOSPEL *John 1:29–42a*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the first chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

29The next day [John] saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, “Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! 30This is he of whom I said, ‘After me comes a man who ranks before me, because he was before me.’ 31I myself did not know him, but for this purpose I came baptizing with water, that he might be revealed to Israel.” 32And John bore witness: “I saw the Spirit descend from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. 33I myself did not know him, but he who sent me to baptize with water said to me, ‘He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain, this is he who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’ 34And I have seen and have borne witness that this is the Son of God.”

35The next day again John was standing with two of his disciples, 36and he looked at Jesus as he walked by and said, “Behold, the Lamb of God!” 37The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. 38Jesus turned and saw them following and said to them, “What are you seeking?” And they said to him, “Rabbi” (which means Teacher), “where are you staying?” 39He said to them, “Come and you will see.” So they came and saw where he was staying, and they stayed with him that day, for it was about the tenth hour. 40One of the two who heard John speak and followed Jesus was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother. 41He first found his own brother Simon and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which means Christ). 42He brought him to Jesus.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

NICENE CREED

C **I believe in one God,**

**the Father Almighty,**

**maker of heaven and earth**

**and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,**

**the only-begotten Son of God,**

**begotten of His Father before all worlds,**

**God of God, Light of Light,**

**very God of very God,**

**begotten, not made,**

**being of one substance with the Father,**

**by whom all things were made;**

**who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven**

**and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary**

**and was made man;**

**and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.**

**He suffered and was buried.**

**And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures**

**and ascended into heaven**

**and sits at the right hand of the Father.**

**And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,**

**whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,**

**the Lord and giver of life,**

**who proceeds from the Father and the Son,**

**who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,**

**who spoke by the prophets.**

**And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,**

**I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,**

**and I look for the resurrection of the dead**

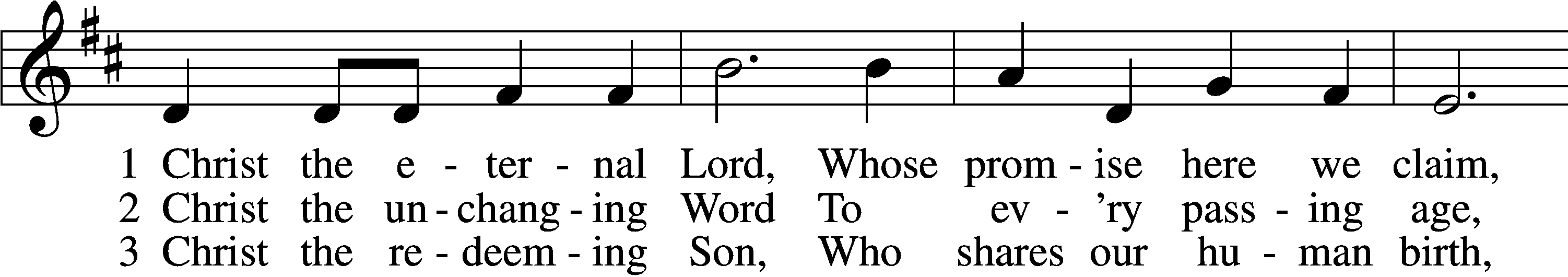
**and the life** T**of the world to come. Amen.**

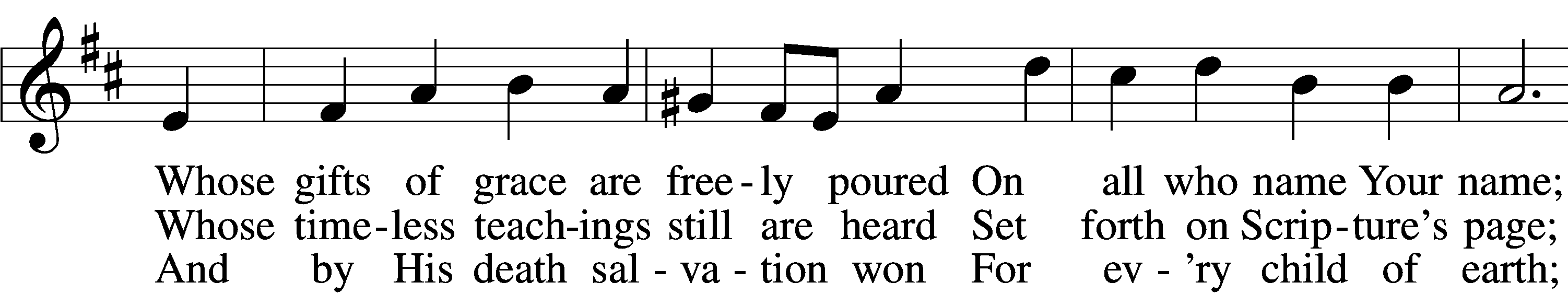
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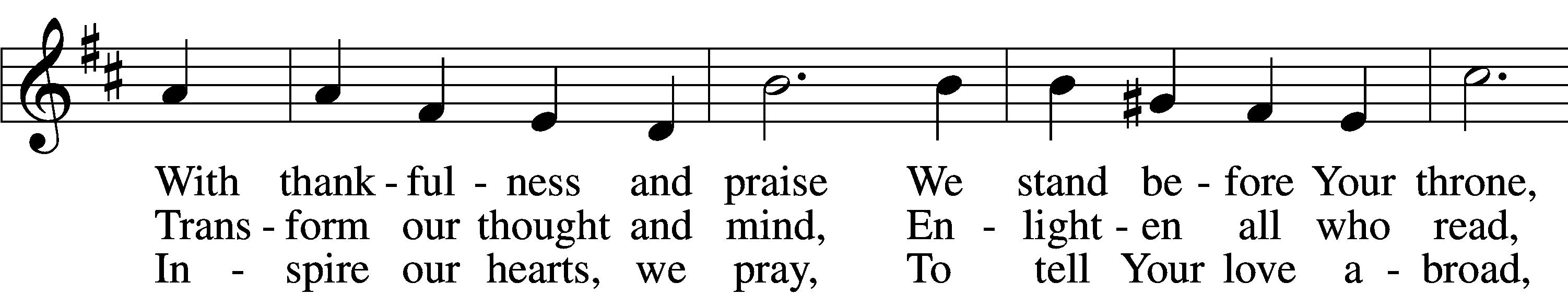
**ALL GOD’S CHILDREN – TALK**

**SERMON HYMN**

Christ the Eternal Lord *LSB 829 sts. 1–3*









**SERMON**

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PRAYER of the CHURCH

**After each Segment:**

P Lord, in Your Mercy,

**C Hear our Prayer.**

**After Final Segment:**

PHear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

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**

**PREFACE** *LSB 208*

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

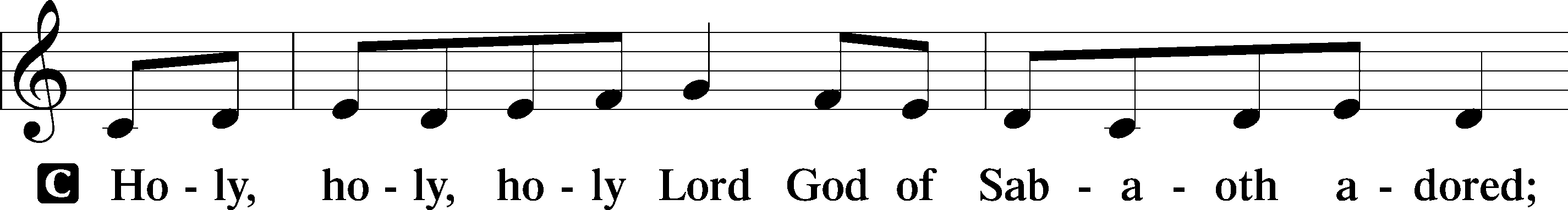
C **We lift them to the Lord.**

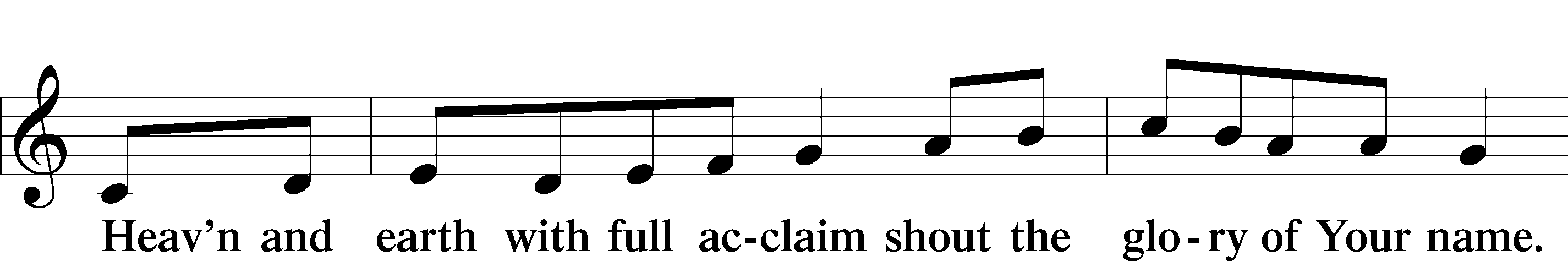
P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

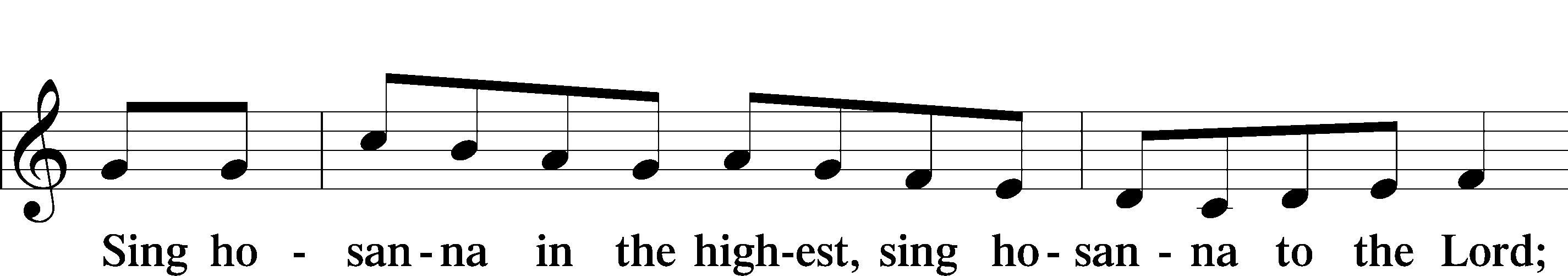
C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

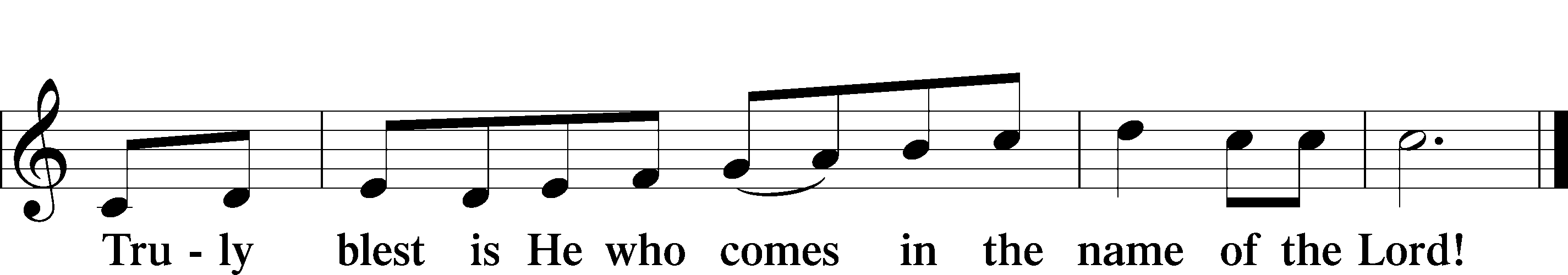
P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

**SANCTUS** *LSB 208*









**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

As the glory of Your presence once filled Your ancient temple, so in the incarnation of Your Son, Jesus Christ, You manifested the fullness of Your glory in human flesh.

We give You thanks that in His most Holy Supper You reveal Your glory to us. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood so that we may one day behold Your glory face to face.

**THE WORDS of our LORD**

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: “Take, eat; this is My T body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”

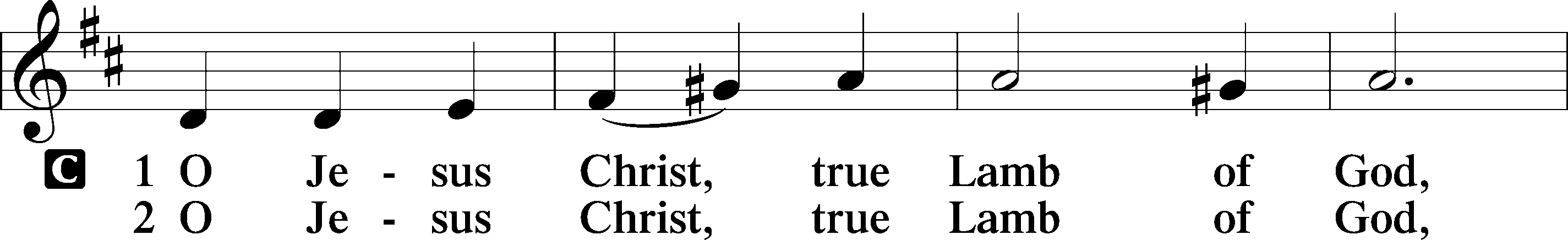
In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My T blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

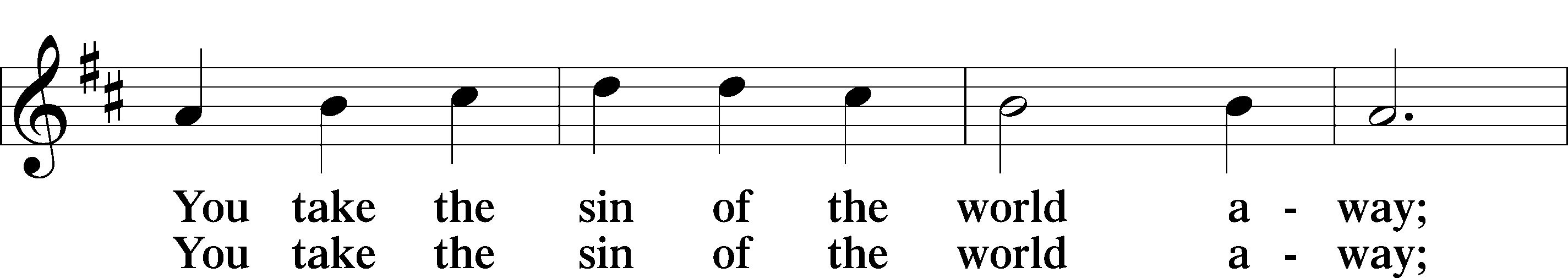
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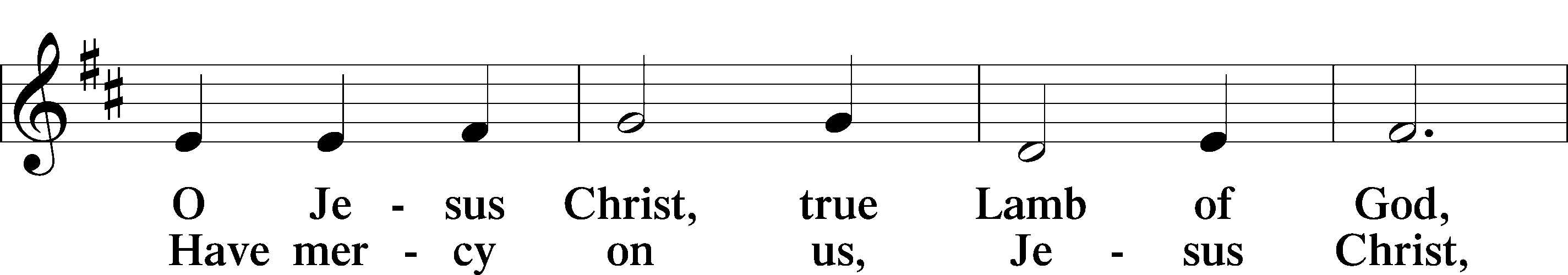
P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

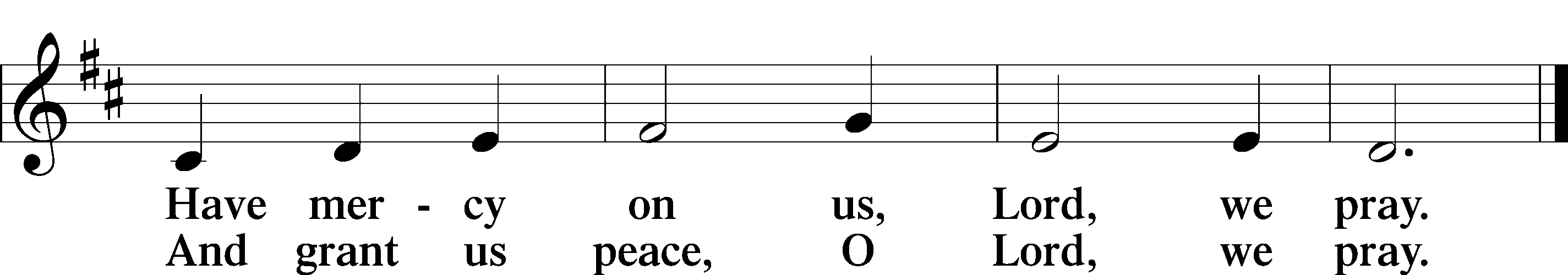
C **Amen.**

**AGNUS DEI** *LSB 210*







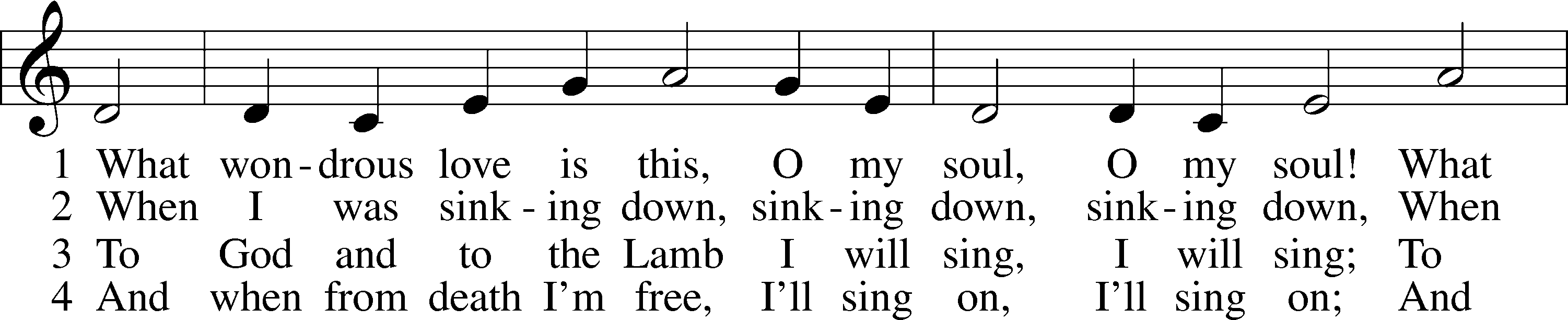


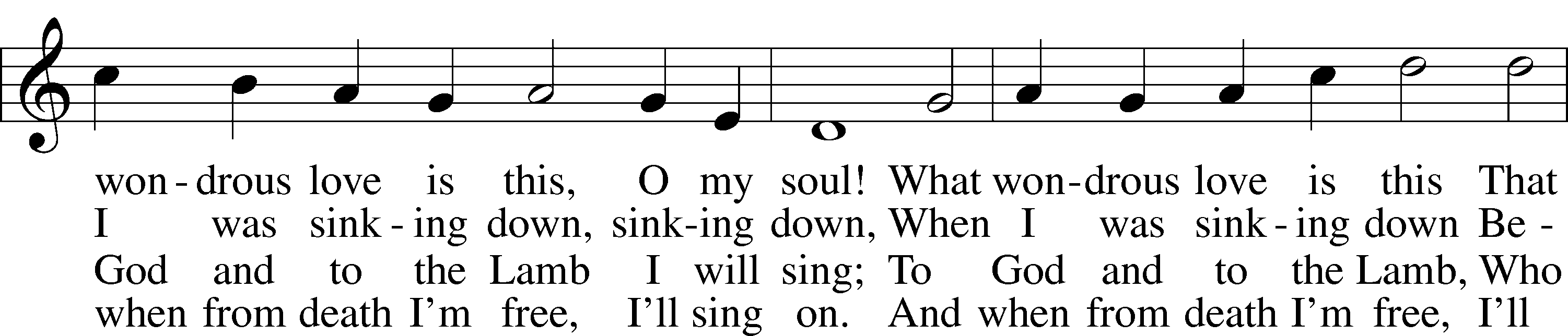
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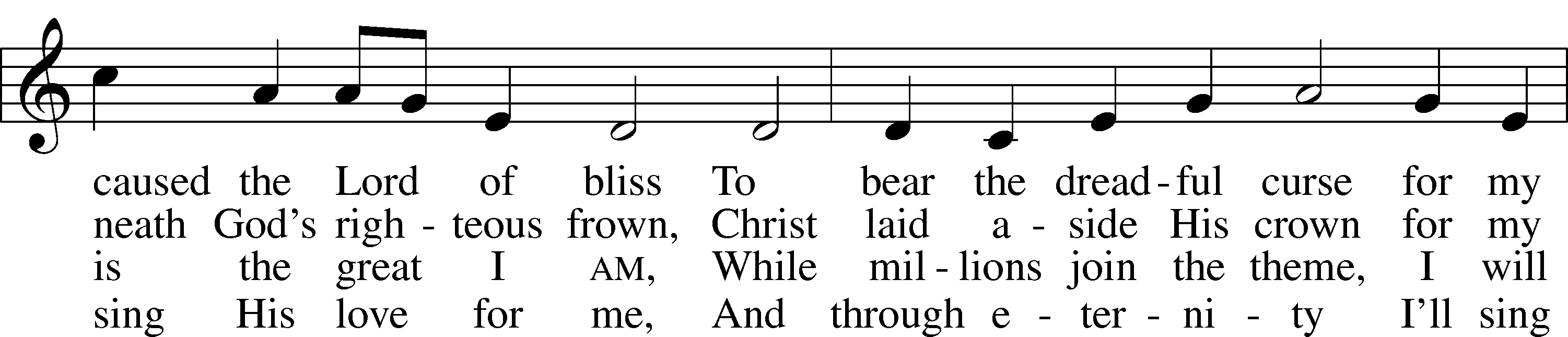
The pastor and those who assist him receive the body and blood of Christ first, then Communion will be served at the rail. Ushers will help direct you forward via the center aisle; please return to your seats via the side aisles. Gluten-free bread is available for those who need it, as is non-alcoholic grape juice. Simply request either when you come forward to receive Communion.

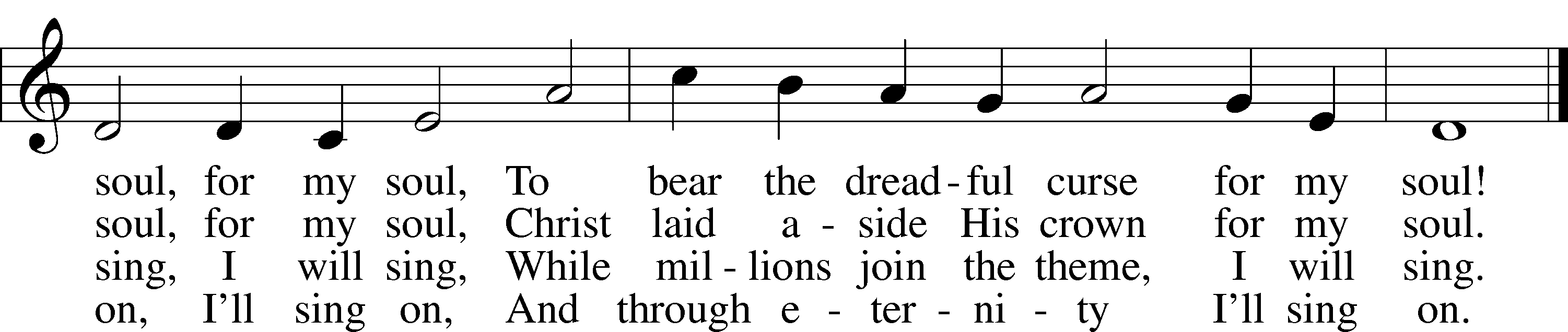
**DISTRIBUTION HYMN**

**What Wondrous Love Is This** *LSB 543*



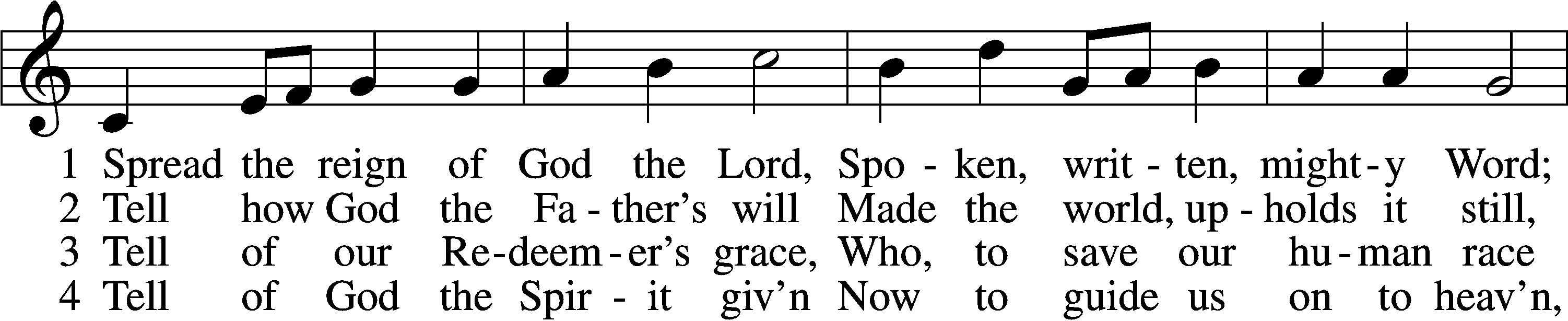


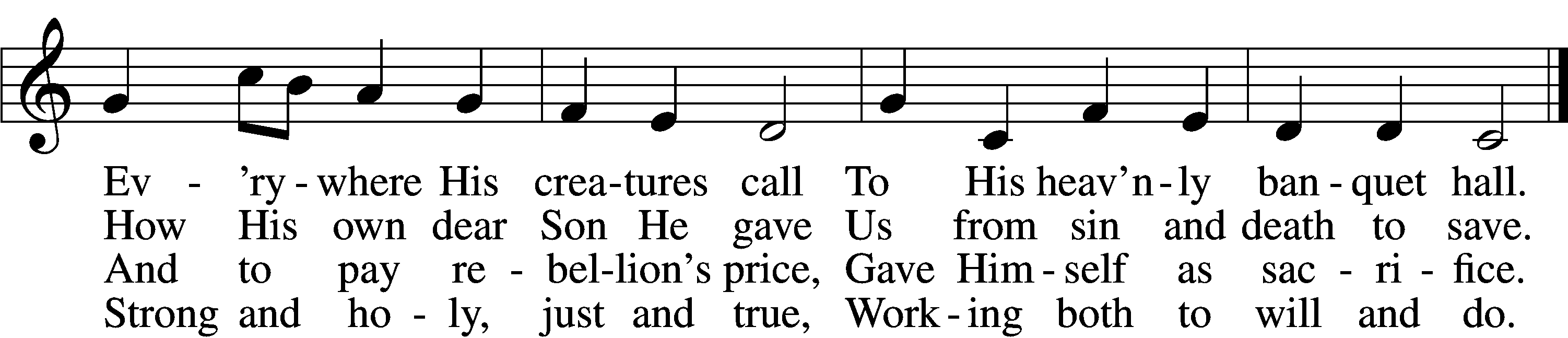




**DISTRIBUTION HYMN**

**Spread the Reign of God the Lord** *LSB 830*





5 Enter, mighty Word, the field;  
Ripe the promise of its yield.  
But the reapers, oh, how few  
For the work there is to do!

6 Lord of harvest, great and kind,  
Rouse to action heart and mind;  
Let the gath’ring nations all  
See Your light and heed Your call.

*Please stand as able*

**NUNC DIMITTIS** *LSB 211*









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**POST COMMUNION COLLECT**

P Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

**BENEDICAMUS**  LSB 212

P Let us bless the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

BENEDICTION

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

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

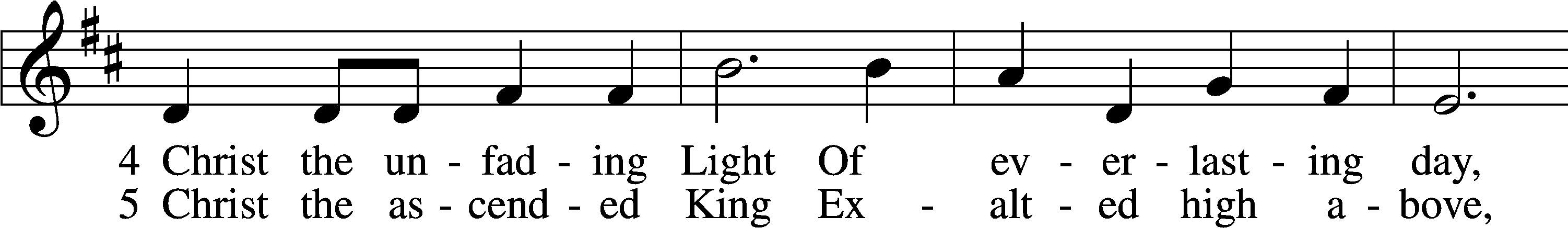
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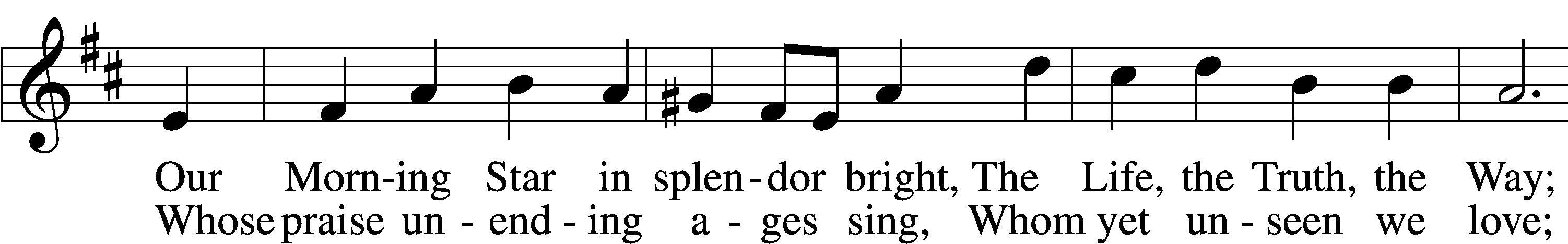
C **Amen.**

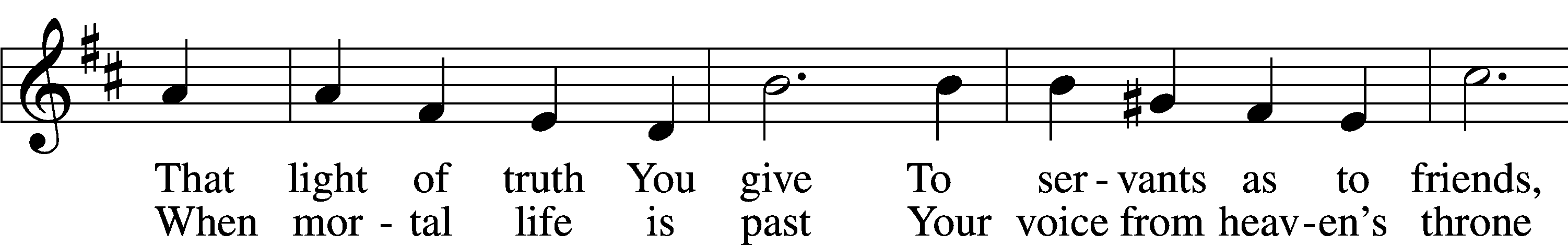
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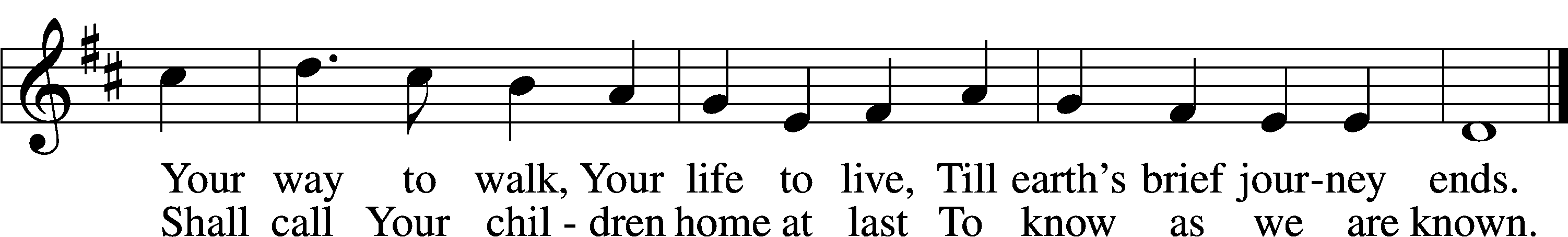
**CLOSING HYMN**

**Christ the Eternal Lord** *LSB 829 sts. 4–5*









**ANNOUNCEMENTS and SENDING WORDS**

P We go to live for Jesus!

**C We go to share His love!**

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# **SERVING in GODS HOUSE TODAY**

Pastor: Rev. Ken Bernthal

Elder: Glen Smith

Ushers: John & Judi Stutzman

Greeters: Wally & Pam Beasinger

Coffee

Counters: Ric Francis, Sandra Smith

Altar Care: Jeanine Boldrey

Children’s Talk: Rev. Pastor Paul Schneider

Virtual Organist: Bob Erat

Bible Study: Tom Beach

Children’s Sunday School: Nancy Ely, Jean Beach, Sharon Techel

**PRAYERS**

*Please contact the office with updates to the prayer list. People will remain on the prayer list for* ***4 weeks*** *before being removed. If they need to remain on the list, please keep Elaine informed and of any updates. This will help us to have a more accurate list. Thanks for your cooperation.*

**Those who continue to grieve the passing of loved ones**: The Kurt Farhy from Georgia (Kurt passed away Wednesday January 4th). Friends of John & Judi Stutzman.

**Those with upcoming surger****y and medical procedures:** Bill Stiles Shoulder surgery,

**Those recovering from surgery and medical procedures:** Tanner Beyers and, Greg Techel, Vicki Recovering from surgery. (Risa Shermans daughter-in-law). Wally Beasinger recovering from ear surgery down state on January 10th..

**Those with health concerns:** Tiffany Amsdill**,** Ruth Bennett (Sharron Kato’s Sister)**,** Jackie Bliss**,** Hope Buchinger, Betsy Cook, Shirley Hildebrand, Paul Kietzman, Janice Knoellinger, Jennifer Martin, Eleanor Raether, Beth Smith, Judi Stutzman, Sharon Techel, Joann Whitney and, Lyle Yingling a friend of Larry Whitneys daughter.

**Those diagnosed with cancer**: Sue Cavanagh, Leah Eicher, Rachel Frisch, Janice Knoellinger, Leslie Martin, Brian Morgan, and Hope Osantowski. Leanne a friend of Denise Lange’s, and Sheryl Marsh (Shirley Hildebrands daughter).

**Those under Hospice Home Care:**  Ken Williamson, Jim (Joann Whitney’s brother-in law).

**BIRTHDAYS: ANNIVERSARIES;**

NONE 01/19 Donald and Janet Rechlin

01/20 Douglas and Mary Arego

**MESSAGES**

**MEMBER & GUEST CARDS:** **If you have not filled out a member/guest card, please take the time to fill one out and place it in the plate behind the back pews in our sanctuary.**

**WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY,** 10:00am in the fellowship hall with Pastor Ken Bernthal.

# **GREETING CARDS** If you are in need of some greeting cards, we carry an array of them in the cabinet in the library. The Valentines and Easter cards have been put out. The cost of the cards is posted on the cabinet. The money collected from the cards goes to LWML to help support Missions.

# **CANCER and FRIENDS SUPPORT GROUP:** Will be meeting January 24th . We will be discussing caregiving and radiation. Please remember Cancer & Friends Support Group is not just for people going through treatment, or survivors, we are also here for caregiver, spouse, children, and friends. There are times when we can all use someone to talk to during those difficult times. If there is any subject you would like to discuss with me you call or text or at 989-350-4391. Hope you will join us.

**KUT-UPS** will be meeting Monday January 23rd, 10am in the fellowship hall.

**LWML** will be meeting at a special time for the winter months-We will meet at 3:00 PM on Tuesday, January 17 and end with a soup supper at 5 PM.  If you are working and can't make it at 3:00, feel free to come at 5 for dinner and fellowship.  Our special program this month will be a screening of LCMS's short movie "The First Rosa" about the life and ministry of Dr. Rosa Young, who rose from poverty in the post construction south to be a champion for Education, eventually starting schools, churches and even a Concordia University for underserved black Americans.  We will then discuss how Rosa followed Martin Luther's three ways God works in the life of a believer (Prayer, Meditation and Trial).

**VALENTINES CANDY BAR BINGO:** Our annual Candy Bar Bingo is Friday February 10th at 6pm. All you will need to bring is one candy bar per family. Munchies and beverages will be provided unless you would like to bring your favorite munchie to share. Come relax, kick back and enjoy.

**SUPER BOWL SUB SALE**: Get your orders in!!!  Super Bowl Sub Sale February 12, 2023 again will made by LWML Trinity Lutheran all proceeds will go to Otsego County Food Pantry.  Orders need to be in by February 5th so that we can order the product and have it to make the Subs on Sunday the 12th.  If you have any questions please feel free to contact Tina at 989-350-3287.

**GAYLORD RIGHT TO LIFE** Trinity and Mt. Hope you are invited to the Gaylord March for Life, Thursday January 19, 2023, St. Mary School Gym 321 N. Otsego Ave. 12:30pm Light Refreshments, 1:00 pm Program, 1:45 pm March to City Hall.

# **FOOD PANTRY:** Reminder to bring Non Perishable food items for the Food Pantry Basket NEXT SUNDAY January 22, 2023.

# **NOISY OFFERING** and food collection every 4th Sunday.

# **CONFIRMATION CLASS** begins Sunday January 22, 2023 after church in the Library. Any 7 or 8 grade want to join please call Pastor Paul Schneider.

# **ANNUAL REPORT**: It is that time again, I will be needing each groups reports in by January 24. All reports have to be sent in by email no hand written ones. Thank You

# **ANNUAL VOTERS MEETING:** Congregational meeting will be Sunday, February 12th in the Fellowship Hall at 10:30 am.

# **SERVING in GODS HOUSE NEXT WEEK JANUARY 22**

Pastor: Rev. Ken Bernthal

Elder: Tom Raithel

Ushers: Mike Goodrich, Ron Tesolin

Greeters: Bob & Kathy Erat

Coffee: Stutzmans

Counters: Brian Techel and Karl Scheiterlein

Altar Care: Ann Mertz

Children’s Talk: Nancy Ely

Piano/ Organ: Beaches

Bible Study: Tom Beach

Children’s Sunday School: Nancy Ely, Jean Beach, Sharon Techel

**READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK JANUARY 22nd**

***First Reading:*** *Isaiah 9:1-4*

***Second Reading:*** *I Corinthians: 1:10-18*

***Gospel: Matthew:*** *4:12-17*

**THIS WEEK AT TRINITY**

***January 15 Sunday***

9:00 am Worship Service - Holy Communion

10:00 am Fellowship & Coffee Hour

10:30 am Sunday Morning Bible Study W/ Dr. Tom Beach

10:30 am Children’s Sunday School.: Nancy Ely, Jean Beach and Sharon Techel

***January 16 Monday***

7:00 pm Choir

**NEWSLETTER DEADLINE**

***January 17 Tuesday***

3:00 pm LWML Dinner Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

***January 18*** ***Wednesday***

10:00 am Wednesday Morning Bible Study W/ Pastor Ken Bernthal

***January 19 Thursday***

***January 20 Friday***

***January21 Saturday***

***January 22 Sunday***

9:00 am Worship Service - Holy Communion

Noisy Offering

10:00 am Fellowship & Coffee Hour

10:30 am Confirmation Class In the Library

10:30 am Sunday Morning Bible Study W/ Dr. Tom Beach

10:30 am Children’s Sunday School. Nancy Ely, Jean Brach and Sharon Techel.