

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SEW EASY QUILT WORKSHOP – has been postponed to a future time. We will let you know as soon as we confirm the new date and time.

LADIES' LUNCH OUT – **February 12**, the ladies will meet at Applebees @ 11:30.

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING – Super Bowl Sunday is **February 13th**. While we don't know yet who will be in it, we do know that we will be collecting for the Souper Bowl of Caring that day. On this day, use your dollars to vote for which team you think will win and the proceeds will go to Chattanooga's own, Community Kitchen. The Community Kitchen feeds folks in need of a meal each and every day. ALSO, don't forget to wear the colors or something that represents one of your favorite teams – whether it be football or some other sport.

HOMELESS OUTREACH MINISTRY - We will continue building our outreach ministry as we begin 2022! One of the most important parts of that ministry is staying organized. From 5-7pm, anyone who is interested can gather in the basement of the church and we will organize our pantry and pack bags/ boxes for distribution. This will happen **every first and third Tuesday from 5-7pm!** There is no need to sign up anywhere just show up! It will be easiest if you park in our lower lot (closest to the ford dealership and 153) as those exterior basement doors will be open). If you are interested in going out to meet the homeless where they are and take supplies to them, we will do that on the second and fourth Friday of every month (unless scheduling conflicts arise then a different Friday will be scheduled). There is a signup sheet in the sunporch for the distribution days. Pr. Elise can only take two people each time so please sign up in advance! We also ask that you only sign up for one Friday a month in order to give more people a chance to participate. You also need

to go through orientation with Pr. Elise before signing up. On distribution days we will meet at the church at 930am and will usually get back by noon. Don't hesitate to contact Pr. Elise if you have any questions!

ATTENDANCE- Please remember to complete your **attendance slip** each week. We only need your name, no address, unless you are visiting or have a change. Thanks so much.

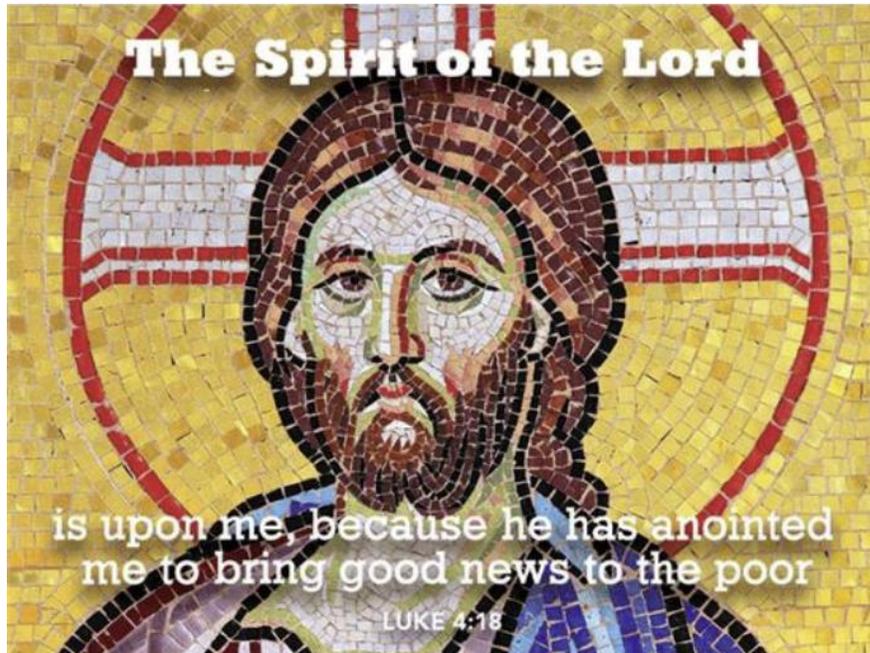
SUNDAY SERVICE SERVERS – We are still in need of Sunday Servers. Some of the ways of serving are: Helping the **Altar Guild** set up before the service, **Greeting** people as they arrive, **Assisting** the Pastors during the service, **Reading** aloud from the Bible, **Counting** offering after the service, **Cleaning up** the Welcome area & loading the dishwasher after the 11:15 service, **Ushering** and tidying up the sanctuary after services... We can't do it without you. Let us know if you can assist.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTRY - Are you looking for a way to be a blessing to someone in 2022? The Eucharistic Ministry Visitor opportunity will resume in the new year. If sharing in the thanksgiving celebration of Holy Communion is important to you then you can easily understand how someone who is unable to be present at church will feel blessed by receiving Holy Communion in their home. This visitor opportunity does just that by bringing the Eucharist to a member's home. Check with the current Trinity newsletter for detailed information on this program or contact **Carol Burhenn**.

REMINDER - Our ONLINE CALENDAR and ONLINE MEMBER DIRECTORY can be found on our website @ chattanooga.lutheran.org. No need to find your newsletter or carry around the bulky pages of member addresses. Simply go to our website. The CALENDAR is located on the CALENDAR page. The DIRECTORY can be found on the LINKS WE LIKE

page. Please e-mail or call the office for the DIRECTORY CODE. It only needs to be entered once.

VENMO– Our username is **@trinitylutheran**. Thank you to our members who use this service. We hope it is useful to your family.



**Trinity Lutheran Church
Third Sunday in Epiphany
January 23, 2022
8:15 & 11:15 Services**

God's glory is revealed in the reading of scripture. People stand at attention. People weep. People prostrate themselves in prayer. The unity of the church is another reflection of God's glory. Most gloriously, the promises of God are fulfilled in the person of Jesus Christ. Gather round. Listen up. Glimpse the glory of God.

WELCOME/PRELUDE

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (*stand*)

Pastor: If we say we have no sin we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

People: But if we confess our sins, God who faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. (*kneel or sit*)

Jesus came to preach good news to the poor.

The poor in wealth.

the poor in spirit.

The poor in self-worth.

The poor in kindness.

Lord, we are poor.

Jesus came to release the captive.

Those bound by chains.

Those bound by walls.

Those bound by greed.

Those bound by power.

Lord, we are held captive.

Jesus came to heal the blind.

Those blinded by physical causes.

Those blinded by hatred.

Those blinded by prejudice.

Those blinded to the needs of others.

Lord, we are blind.

Jesus came to free the oppressed.

Those oppressed by society.

Those oppressed by others.

Those oppressed by their own desires.

Those oppressed by sin.

Lord, we are oppressed.

Poor, captive, blind or oppressed the good news is you are restored!

We are forgiven and renewed in Jesus Christ!

GATHERING HYMN

O Zion Haste

ELW 668



1 O Zi - on, haste, your mis - sion high ful - fill - ing,
2 Pub - lish to ev - 'ry peo - ple, tongue, and na - tion
3 He comes a - gain! O Zi - on, ere you meet him,



to tell to all the world that God is light;
that God, in whom they live and move, is love;
make known to ev - 'ry heart his sav - ing grace;

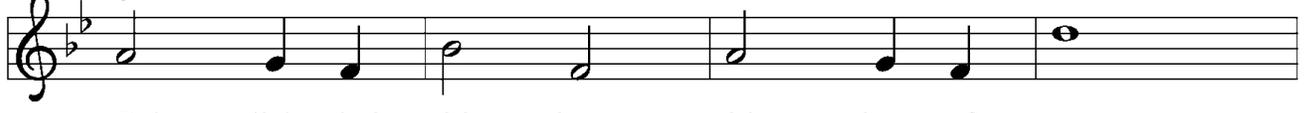


that he who made all na - tions is not will - ing
tell how he stooped to save his lost cre - a - tion
let none whom he has ran - somed fail to greet him,



one soul should per - ish, lost in shades of night.
and died on earth that we might live a - bove.
through your ne - glect, un - fit to see his face.

Refrain



Pub - lish glad tid - ings, tid - ings of peace,



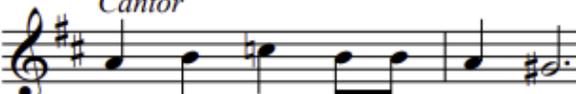
tid - ings of Je - sus, re - demp - tion, and re - lease.

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

<i>Cantor</i>	<i>Assembly</i>
	
Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.	Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.
<i>Cantor</i>	<i>Assembly</i>
	
Christ, have mer - cy up - on us.	Christ, have mer - cy up - on us.
<i>Cantor</i>	<i>Assembly</i>
	
Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.	Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Gloria

Italics: Choir



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth. Lord God,
heav-en-ly King, al-might-y God and Fa-ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we
praise you for your glo-ry. Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord
God, Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world have mer - cy on
us; you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re-ceive our prayer. For
you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord, you a-lone are the Most High,
Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it, in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A - men.

PRAYER OF THE DAY (sit)

Blessed Lord God, you have caused the holy scriptures to be written for the nourishment of your people. Grant that we may hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that, comforted by your promises, we may embrace and forever hold fast to the hope of eternal life, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

FIRST READING Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

¹All the people [of Israel] gathered together into the square before the Water Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the LORD had given to Israel. ²Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. ³He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law. ⁵And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. ⁶Then Ezra blessed the LORD, the great God, and all the people answered, "Amen, Amen," lifting up their hands. Then they bowed their heads and worshiped the LORD with their faces to the ground. ⁸So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation. They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading.

⁹And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, "This day is holy to the LORD your God; do not mourn or weep." For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law. ¹⁰Then he said to them, "Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our LORD; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the LORD is your strength."
The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm: Psalm 19 *(read responsively)*

¹The heavens declare the glory of God,
and the sky proclaims its maker's handiwork.

**²One day tells its tale to another,
and one night imparts knowledge to another.**

**³Although they have no words or language,
and their voices are not heard,**

**⁴their sound has gone out into all lands, and their message
to the ends of the world, where God has pitched a tent for
the sun.**

**⁵It comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber;
it rejoices like a champion to run its course.**

**⁶It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens and
runs about to the end of it again; nothing is hidden from
its burning heat.**

**⁷The teaching of the LORD is perfect and revives the soul; the
testimony of the LORD is sure and gives wisdom to the simple.**

**⁸The statutes of the LORD are just and rejoice the heart; the
commandment of the LORD is clear and gives light to the
eyes.**

**⁹The fear of the LORD is clean and endures forever;
the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.**

**¹⁰More to be desired are they than gold, more than much
fine gold, sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.**

**¹¹By them also is your servant enlightened,
and in keeping them there is great reward.**

**¹²Who can detect one's own offenses?
Cleanse me from my secret faults.**

**¹³Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let
them not get dominion over me; then shall I be whole and sound,
and innocent of a great offense.**

**¹⁴Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my
heart be acceptable in your sight, O LORD, my strength
and my redeemer.**

SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

¹²For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. ¹³For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

¹⁴Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. ¹⁵If the foot would say, “Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body,” that would not make it any less a part of the body. ¹⁶And if the ear would say, “Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body,” that would not make it any less a part of the body. ¹⁷If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? ¹⁸But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. ¹⁹If all were a single member, where would the body be? ²⁰As it is, there are many members, yet one body. ²¹The eye cannot say to the hand, “I have no need of you,” nor again the head to the feet, “I have no need of you.” ²²On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, ²³and those members of the body that we think less honorable we clothe with greater honor, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; ²⁴whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honor to the inferior member, ²⁵that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. ²⁶If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it.

²⁷Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. ²⁸And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. ²⁹Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do

all work miracles? ³⁰Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak
in tongues? Do all interpret? ^{31a}But strive for the greater gifts.
The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL

Rise Up! Shine! v 1

MSB2

1 Rise up! Shine! Your light has come.
2 Bring him gold and spic - es rare.
3 We have seen his star so bright.

Je - sus, the Light of the world.

Leader (or all)

Glo - ry dawns on ev - 'ry - one.
Praise his glo - ry ev - 'ry - where.
Come and wor - ship with de - light.

All

Je - sus, the Light of the world.

We'll walk in the light, beau - ti - ful light,

come where the dew - drops of mer - cy are bright.

Shine all a - round us by day and by night,

Je - sus, the Light of the world.

Gospel Luke 4:14-30

The holy gospel according to St. Luke the 4th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁴Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. ¹⁵He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

¹⁶When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, ¹⁷and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

¹⁸"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, ¹⁹to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."²⁰And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. ²¹Then he began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing." ²²All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, "Is not this Joseph's son?" ²³He said to them, "Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, 'Doctor, cure yourself!' And you will say, 'Do here also in your hometown the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum.'" ²⁴And he said, "Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet's hometown. ²⁵But the truth is, there were many widows in Israel in the time of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, and there was a severe famine over all the land; ²⁶yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon. ²⁷There were also many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian." ²⁸When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled

with rage. ²⁹They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff. ³⁰But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

CHILDREN'S SERMON

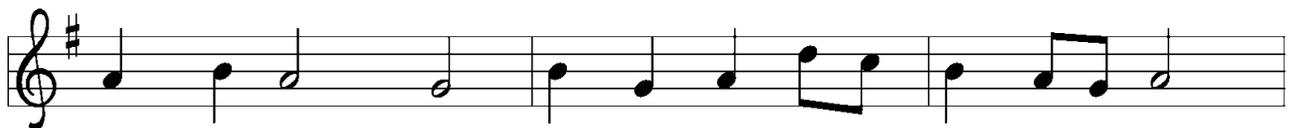
Pastor Stan Combs

Sermon "When the Sermon Goes Awry" **Pastor Stan Combs**

HOD Word of God, Come Down on Earth ELW 510



1 Word of God, come down on earth, liv - ing rain from
 2 Word e - ter - nal, throned on high, Word that brought to
 3 Word that speaks God's ten - der love, one with God be -



heav'n de - scend - ing; touch our hearts and bring to birth
 life cre - a - tion, Word that came from heav'n to die,
 yond all tell - ing, Word that sends us from a - bove



faith and hope and love un - end - ing. Word al - might - y,
 cru - ci - fied for our sal - va - tion, sav - ing Word, the
 God the Spir - it, with us dwell - ing, Word of truth, to



we re - vere you; Word made flesh, we long to hear you.
 world re - stor - ing, speak to us, your love out - pour - ing.
 all truth lead us; Word of life, with one bread feed us.

APOSTLES' 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 THE CHURCH

Pastor: Gathered together by God's Spirit, we pray for the Church, the world and all those in need. (kneel or sit)

AM: Lord of Hope, bless your Church throughout the world and anoint your people to bring good news to the poor. Lord in your mercy.... **Hear our prayer.**

AM: Lord of Unbinding, by your Spirit cast off the chains of those who are bound in anyway, whether it by drugs, alcohol, prejudice or anger. Use us to proclaim the hope found in the love and grace of our Lord Jesus. Lord in your mercy.... **Hear our prayer.**

AM: Lord Who Sees All, we pray for those who are blinded by greed, hatred, ignorance or revenge. May the truth of your Word bring sight to all those in need of seeing whether it be for their sake or the sake of others. Lord in your mercy.... **Hear our prayer.**

AM: Lord of Justice, we pray for all those oppressed in any way whether it be by injustice, bigotry, enslavement or authoritarianism. Cast off their chains that the year of the Lord's favor might be proclaimed. Lord in your mercy....

Hear our prayer.

AM: Lord of Healing, Grant your favor upon all those who start this year encompassed by sickness or grief. Especially do we lift up to you... **Kaye** Mitchell, **Bill** Dewell, **Cliff** Watts (Ginny Minninger), **Mamaw** & **Papaw** (Moore Family), **Glen** Ellis (Tim Ortega), **Kent** Overbeck, **Marlene** Hiltunen, **Jeff** & **Caleb** Davis (Beth Painter), **Carol** Hayde, **Shirley** Wooten & **Linda** Williams (Joyce Davis), **Devin** Seguin (church cleaner's son with cancer), **Shawn** & **Mark** (Marlene Hiltunen), **Katy** Allison, **Bruce** & **Amy** Annear (Fran Balsis), **Lynn** Ayers (Cree Giesel), **Scott** Baily (Fran Balsis), **Alice** Barnett, **Colin** Bakse (Sondra Hart), **Bill** Balsis, **Theresa** Bowman, **Robert** Burns (Carol Hayde)... as well as those whom we name in our hearts or out loud before you now..... Lord in your mercy.... **Hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Into your hands and favor, O Lord, we commend all those for whom we pray trusting in your mercy through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

PEACE (*stand*)

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY PRAYER *(stand)*

Blessed are you, O God, Sovereign of the universe. You offer us new beginnings and guide us on our journey. Lead us to your table, nourish us with this heavenly food, and prepare us to carry your love to a hungry world, in the name of Christ our light.

Amen.

THE 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 our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. By the leading of a star he was shown forth to all nations, in the waters of the Jordan you proclaimed him your beloved Son, and in the miracle of water turned to wine he revealed your glory. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord. God of pow'r and might. Heav'n and earth are
 full of your glo-ry, ho - san - na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the
 name of the Lord. Ho - san- na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Holy One, the beginning and the end, the giver of life:
 Blessed are you for the birth of creation.
 Blessed are you in the darkness and in the light.
 Blessed are you for your promise to your people.
 Blessed are you in the prophets' hopes and dreams.
 Blessed are you for Mary's openness to your will.
 Blessed are you for your Son Jesus, the Word made flesh.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread,
 and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
 Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the
 remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for
 all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
 shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this
 for the remembrance of me. Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:
Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

With this bread and cup we remember your Word dwelling
 among us, full of grace and truth. We remember our new birth in
 his death and resurrection. We look with hope for his coming.
Come, Lord Jesus.

Holy God, we long for your Spirit. Come among us. Bless this meal. May your Word take flesh in us. Awaken your people. Fill us with your light. Bring the gift of peace on earth.

Come, Holy Spirit.

All praise and glory are yours, Holy One of Israel, Word of God incarnate, Power of the Most High, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

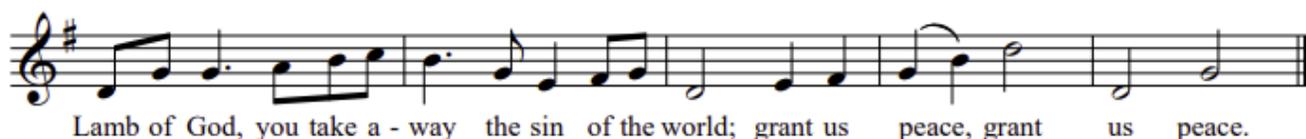
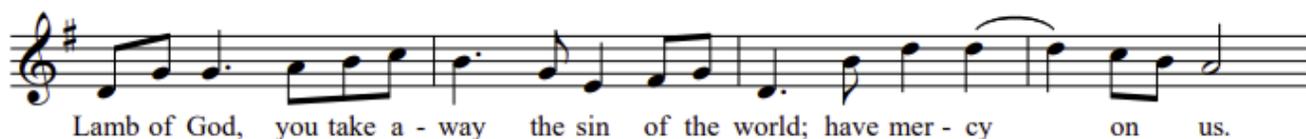
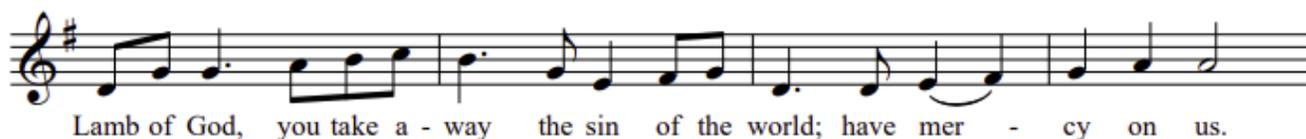
THE LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy 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

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come to God's table. There is a place for you and enough for all.
Thanks be to God.



Communion Let Us Go Now to the Banquet ELW 523

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Let us go now to the ban - quet, to the



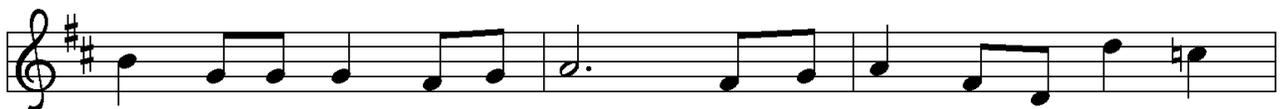
me - sa de la crea - ción; ca - da cual con su ta - bu -
feast of the u - ni - verse. The ta - ble's set and a place is



re - te tie - ne un pues - to y u - na mi - sión.
wait - ing; come, ev - 'ry - one, with your gifts to share.



1 Hoy me le - van - to muy tem - pra - no; ya me es -
1 I will rise in the ear - ly morn - ing; the com -
2 God in - vites all the poor and hun - gry to the
3 May we build such a place a - mong us where all



pe - ra la co - mu - ni - dad; voy su - bien - do a le - gre la
mu - ni - ty's wait - ing for me. With a spring in my step I'm
ban - quet of jus - tice and good where the har - vest will not be
peo - ple are e - qual in love. God has called us to work to -

Refrain / Estribillo



cues - ta, voy en bus - ca de tu a - mis - tad.
walk - ing with my friends and my fam - i - ly.
hoard - ed so that no one will lack for food.
geth - er and to share ev - 'ry - thing we have.

2 Dios invita a todos los pobres a esta mesa común por la fe, donde no hay acaparadores y a nadie le falta el conqué. Estribillo

3 Dios nos manda a hacer de este mundo una mesa donde haya igualdad, trabajando y luchando juntos, compartiendo la propiedad. Estribillo

COMMUNION BLESSING (remain seated)

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace. **Amen.**

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

AM: We give you thanks, gracious God, for we have feasted on the abundance of your house. Send us to bring good news and to proclaim your favor to all, strengthened with the richness of your grace in your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING (stand)

Go forth to bring good news to the poor. Proclaim release to the captive. Sight to the blind and freedom for the oppressed. And do so in the Name and with the blessing of Father, Son (+) and Holy Spirit. **Amen**

SENDING HYMN Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness

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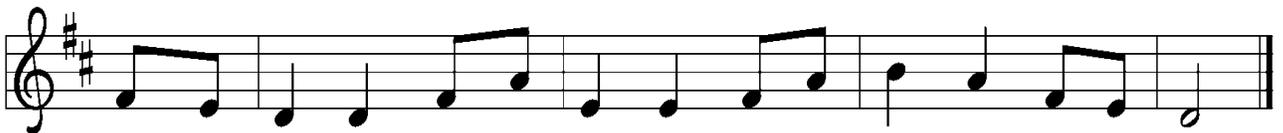
- 1 Praise the One who breaks the dark-ness with a lib - er - at - ing light;
- 2 Praise the One who blessed the chil - dren with a strong yet gen - tle word;
- 3 Praise the one true love in - car - nate: Christ, who suf - fered in our place;



praise the One who frees the pris - 'ners, turn - ing blind - ness in - to sight.
praise the One who drove out de - mons with a pierc - ing, two - edged sword.
Je - sus died and rose for man - y that we may know God by grace.



Praise the One who preached the gos - pel, heal - ing ev - 'ry dread dis - ease,
Praise the One who brings cool wa - ter to the des - ert's burn - ing sand;
Let us sing for joy and glad - ness, see - ing what our God has done.



calm - ing storms and feed - ing thou - sands with the ver - y bread of peace.
from this well comes liv - ing wa - ter quench - ing thirst in ev - 'ry land.
Praise the one re - deem - ing glo - ry; praise the One who makes us one.

DISMISSAL

Be strong and courageous; do not be frightened or dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go. Go in peace, Christ is with you. **Thanks be to God.**