

Harrold Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

Saturday May 4, 5:00 PM

Sunday May 5th, 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

Sixth Sunday of Easter 2024



Name Aiden Whirek

Age 12

WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP!

- **It is a joy to welcome our visitors!** Please sign the guest book in the Communication Center at the rear of the church, to the right as you exit, and take a Welcome Packet which is filled with information about Harrold Zion. Please introduce yourself to the pastor as you leave worship. We hope you return soon! Follow us on social media!
- **Children's bags** are available in the Narthex.
- **There is a prayer request book** on a podium in the Welcome Center. Please write name(s) in the book prior to the service to have names included in the prayers.
- **Large print bulletins** are available from any usher for those needing them.
- **Hearing devices** are available from any usher for those needing them.
- **An AED machine** can be found on the wall after the Ladies Room on the left.
- **Receiving Holy Communion** - We believe the body and blood of Christ to be present in the bread and wine. All who are baptized are invited to share in this meal. Please come forward at the usher's direction. Non-communing children may come forward for a blessing. If you desire communion in the pew, please inform one of the ushers so that you may receive communion there.

Our MISSION

***To Worship and Serve God,
Grow Disciples and Love our Neighbors***

Our Vision

***Building Faith that's Open, Affirming, Authentic,
Positive, Inviting, and that Serves Others.***

GATHERING – *We are brought together to remember who and whose we are.*
Welcome, Sharing and Announcements

Prelude: 5:00 PM *O'Come & Sing Unto the Lord* Parker
8:00 AM, 10:30 AM *My Life Flows on in Endless Song* Laskey

Thanksgiving for Baptism

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
the wellspring of grace, our Easter and our joy.

Amen.

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness.

Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

Water may be poured into the font as the presiding minister gives thanks.

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight.

Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family.

Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom.

At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit.

By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons,
making us heirs of your promise and servants of all.

We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ. Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.

To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

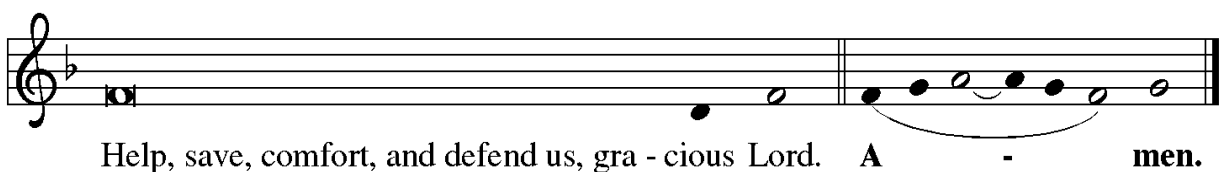
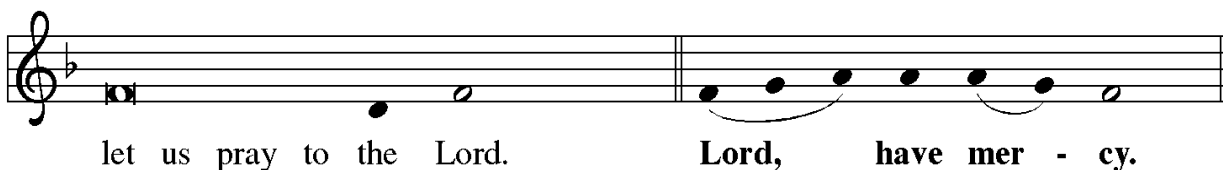
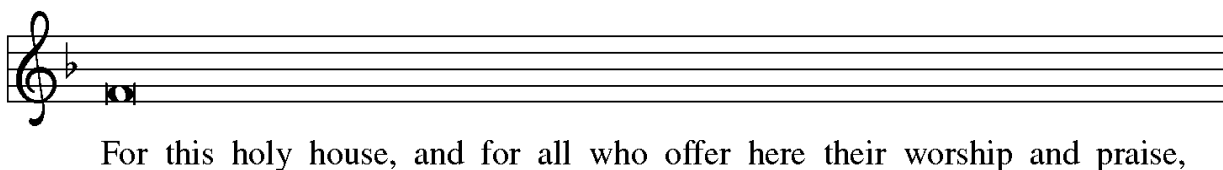
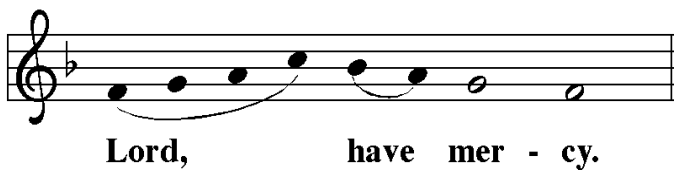
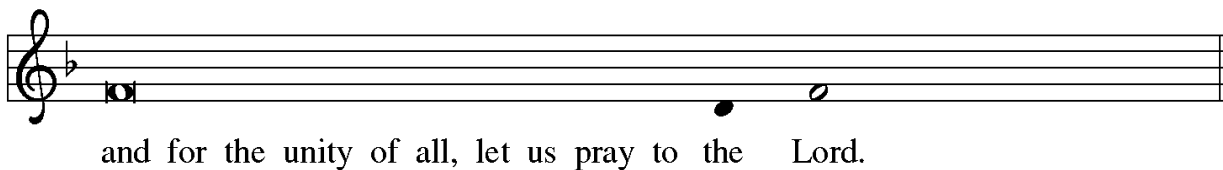
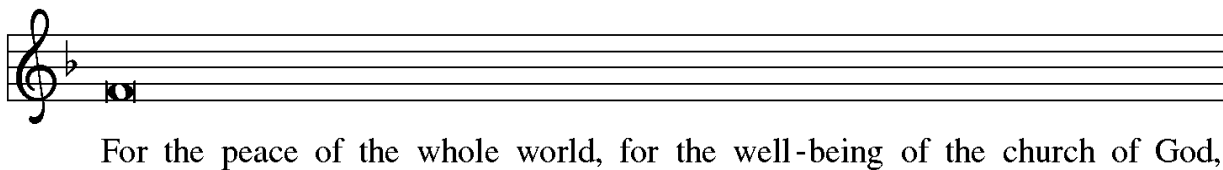
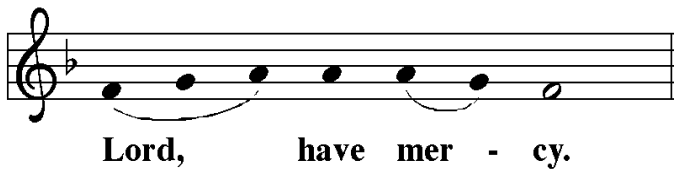
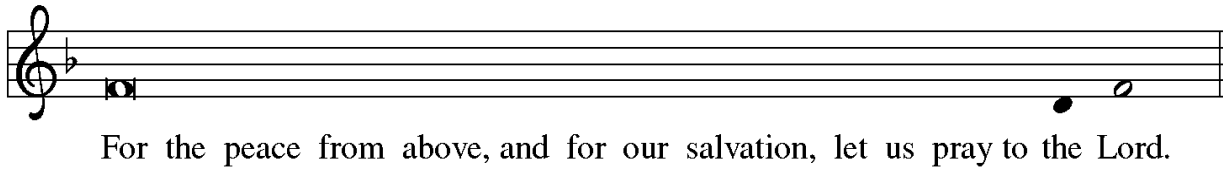
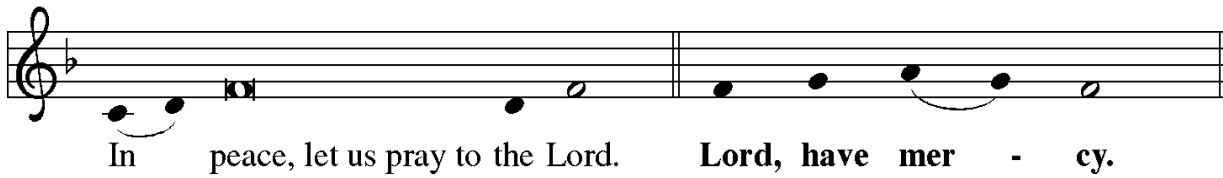
Amen.

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Gathering Hymn #364 Christ has Arisen, Alleluia

Greeting and Kyrie: 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.**

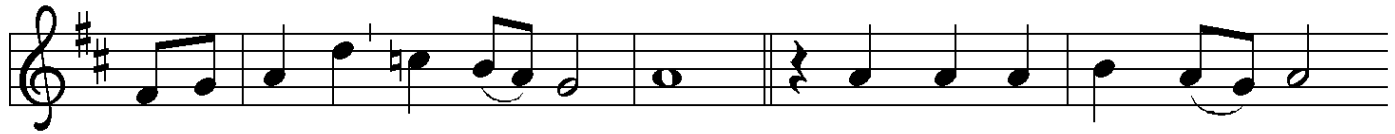


Hymn of Praise

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb

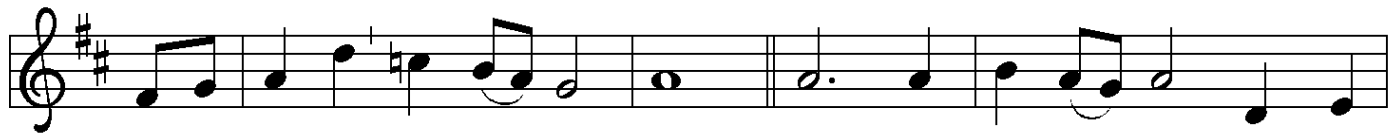


who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.

Refrain



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al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 2 Pow - er, rich-es, wis - dom, and

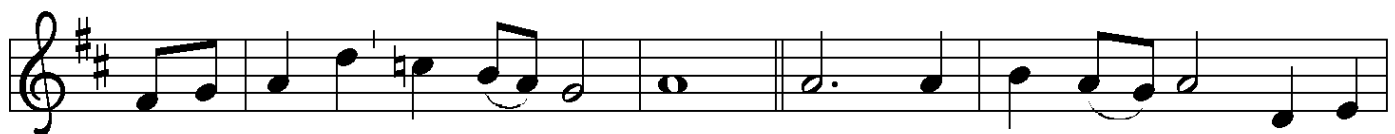


strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

Refrain



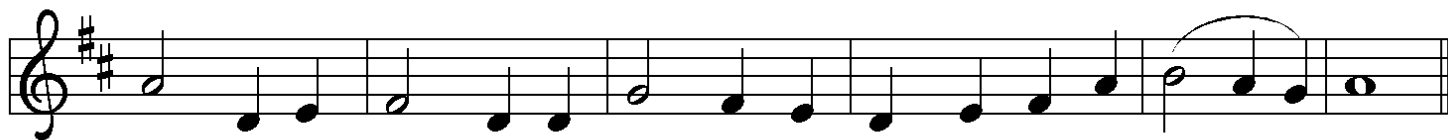
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al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of



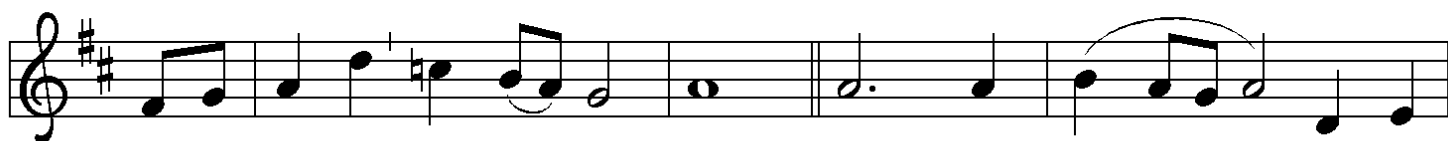
God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,



glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



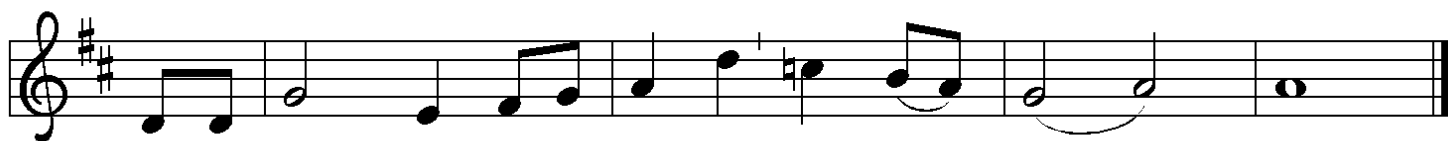
al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 4 For the Lamb who was



slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.



This is the feast of vic - to-ry for our God.



Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

WORD – We hear God’s teachings to guide our path of serving.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray together, **O God, you have prepared for those who love you joys beyond understanding. Pour into our hearts such love for you that, loving you above all things, we may obtain your promises, which exceed all we can desire; through Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

Please be seated.

First Reading Acts 10:44-48

A reading from the tenth chapter of Acts:

⁴⁴While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. ⁴⁵The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, ⁴⁶for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, ⁴⁷“Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?” ⁴⁸So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days. The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

(10:30) Anthem: *The Family of God* Gaither

Psalm: 98

¹Sing a new song to the LORD, who has done marvelous things,
whose right hand and holy arm have won the victory.

²**O LORD, you have made known your victory,
you have revealed your righteousness in the sight of the nations.**

³You remember your steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel;
all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

⁴**Shout with joy to the LORD, all you lands;
lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.**

⁵Sing to the LORD with the harp,
with the harp and the voice of song.

⁶**With trumpets and the sound of the horn
shout with joy before the king, the LORD.**

⁷Let the sea roar, and all that fills it,

the world and those who dwell therein.

**⁸Let the rivers clap their hands,
and let the hills ring out with joy before the LORD, who comes
to judge the earth.**

⁹The LORD will judge the world with righteousness
and the peoples with equity.

Second Reading: 1 John 5:1-6

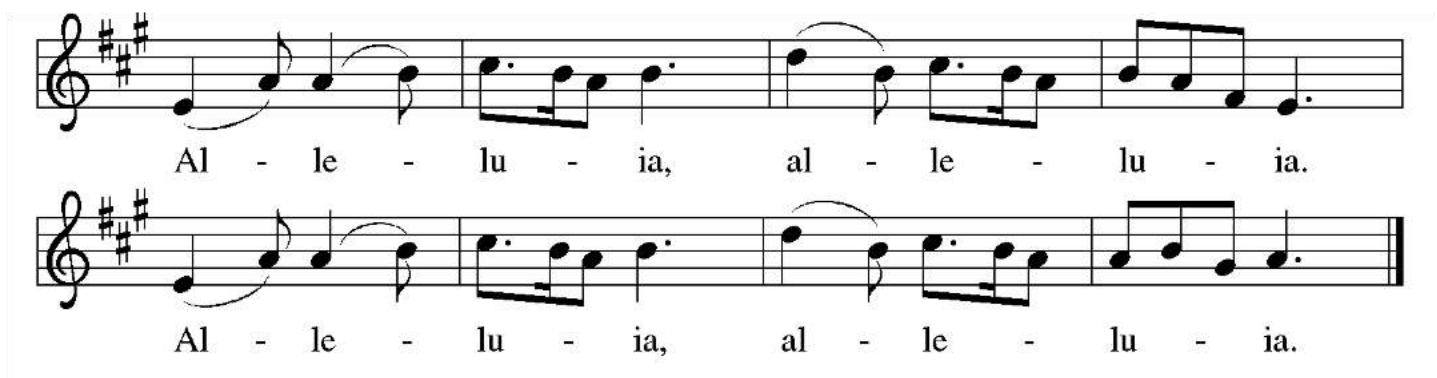
A reading from the First Letter of John: ¹Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. ²By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. ³For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, ⁴for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. ⁵Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation (*Please Stand as able.*)

Celtic Alleluia



Holy Gospel: Gospel: John 15:9-17

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fifteenth Chapter

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] ⁹“As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. ¹⁰If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commandments and abide in his love. ¹¹I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. “This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved

you. ¹³No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. ¹⁴You are my friends if you do what I command you. ¹⁵I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. ¹⁶You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. ¹⁷I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another."

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

Please be seated.

Children's Message

Sermon

Please stand, as able.

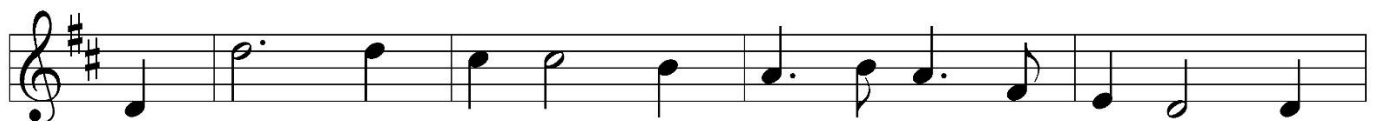
Hymn of the Day WOV #664 *A New Commandment (sing twice)*



A new com-mand-ment I give un - to you, that you love one an - oth-er as



I have loved you, that you love one an - oth-er as I have loved you.



By this shall peo - ple know you are my dis - ci - ples, if



you have love one for an - oth - er; by this shall peo-ple know



you are my dis - ci-ples: if you have love one for an - oth - er.

Nicene Creed

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 Scripture; 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. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He 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.

Prayers of Intercession

(petitions)...Lord in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

(prayer concludes)...**Amen.**

Sharing of the Peace

Offering Anthem 8:00 & 10:30 am *On Wings of Song* Mendelssohn, Arr. Smith

Offertory

Let the Vineyards

(Please see next page.)

*Our Secure Tithe.ly
Giving Form*





Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of



bles - sing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be



fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u -



nite them with the prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your



pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

Offertory Prayer

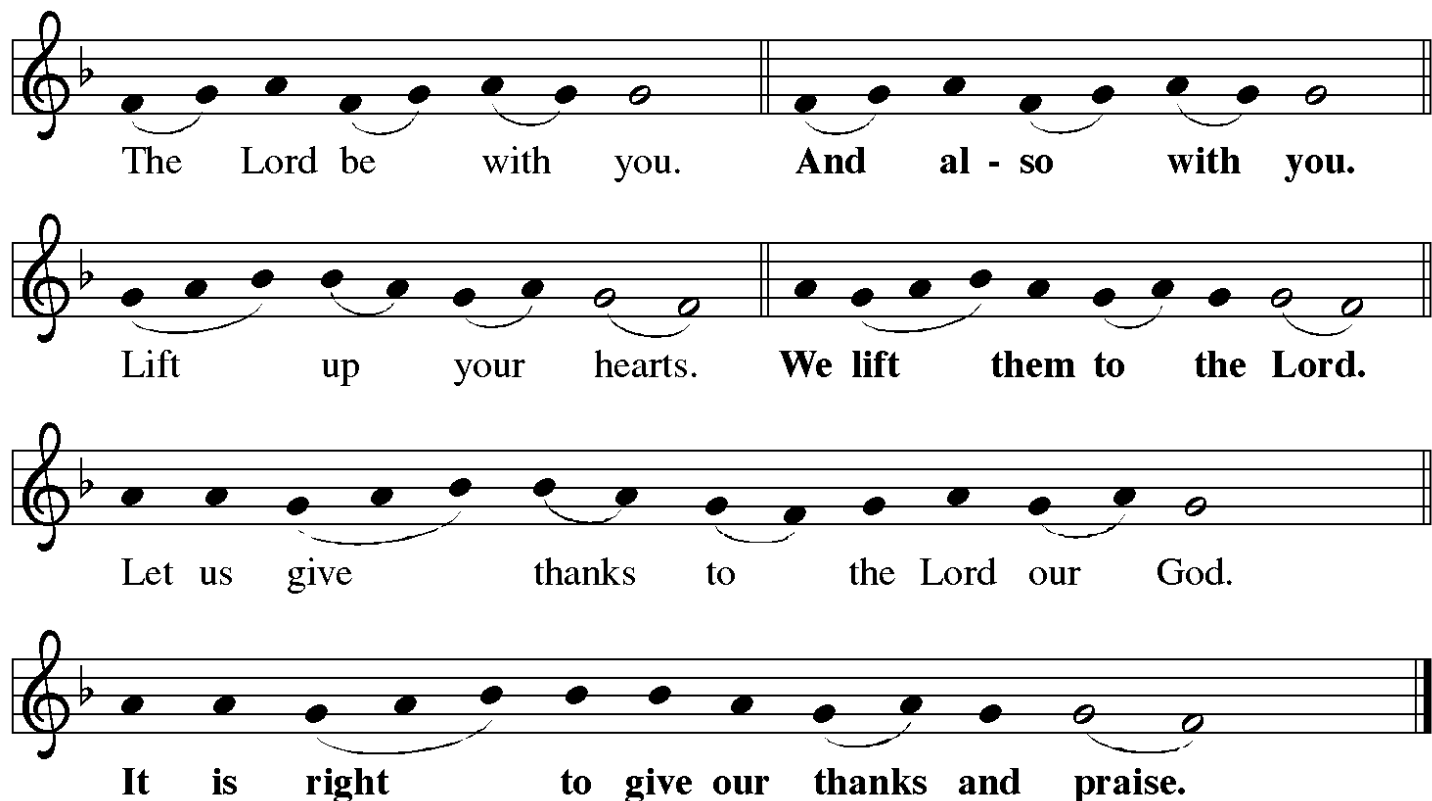
Let us pray together. **Risen One, you call us to believe and bear fruit.**

May the gifts that we offer here be signs of your abiding love.

Form us to be your witnesses in the world, through Jesus Christ, our true vine.

Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving, Proper Preface, and Sanctus



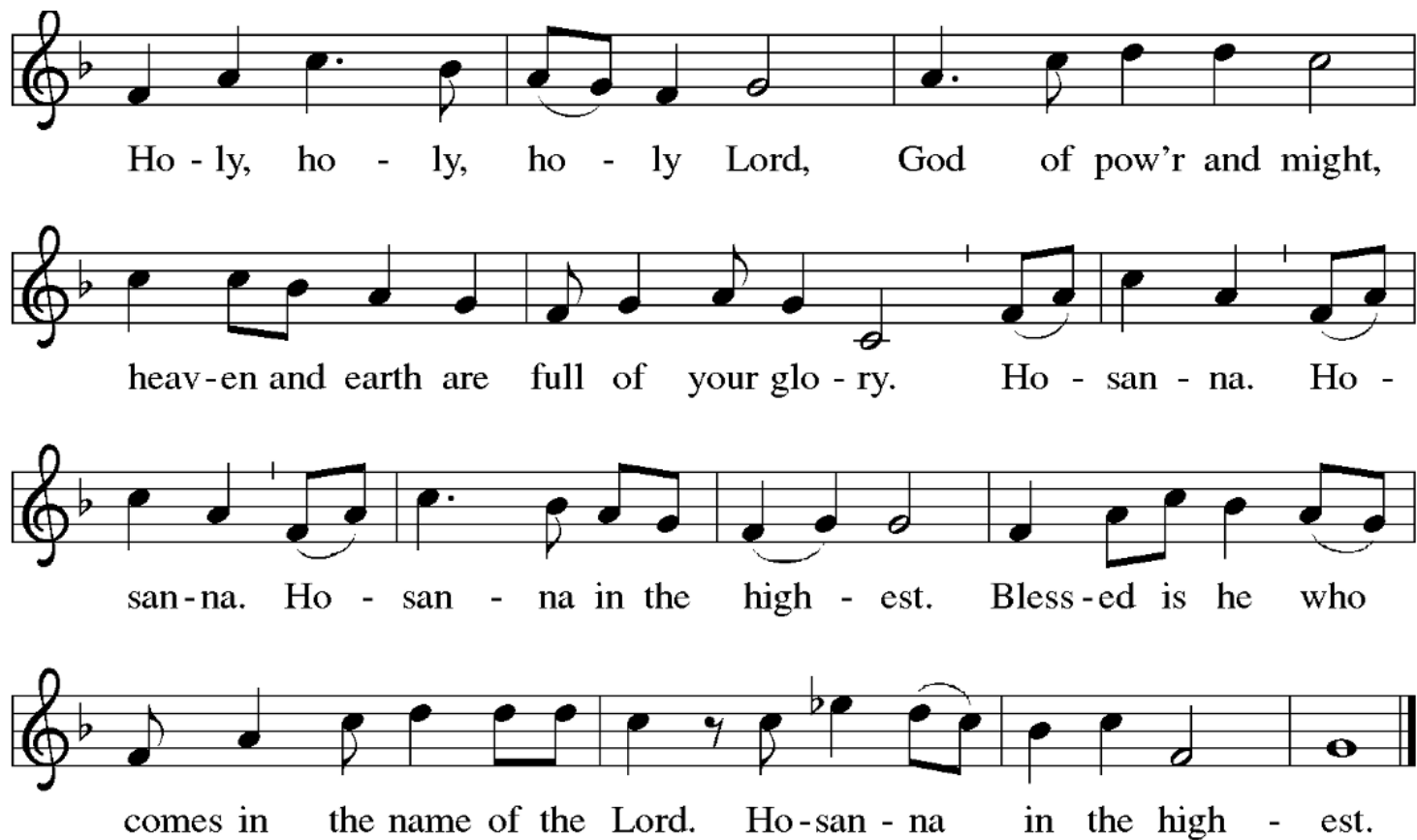
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

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, ... we and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,

heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -

san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who

comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

Thanksgiving at the Table Prayer

Blessed are you, O God of the universe....

With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

O God of resurrection and new life: ... Grace our table with your presence.

Come, Holy Spirit.

Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread. ... Send us forth, burning with justice, peace, and love.

Come, Holy Spirit.

With your holy ones of all times and places, with the earth and all its creatures, with sun and moon and stars, we praise you, O God, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever.

Amen.

Lord's Prayer

Lord remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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.

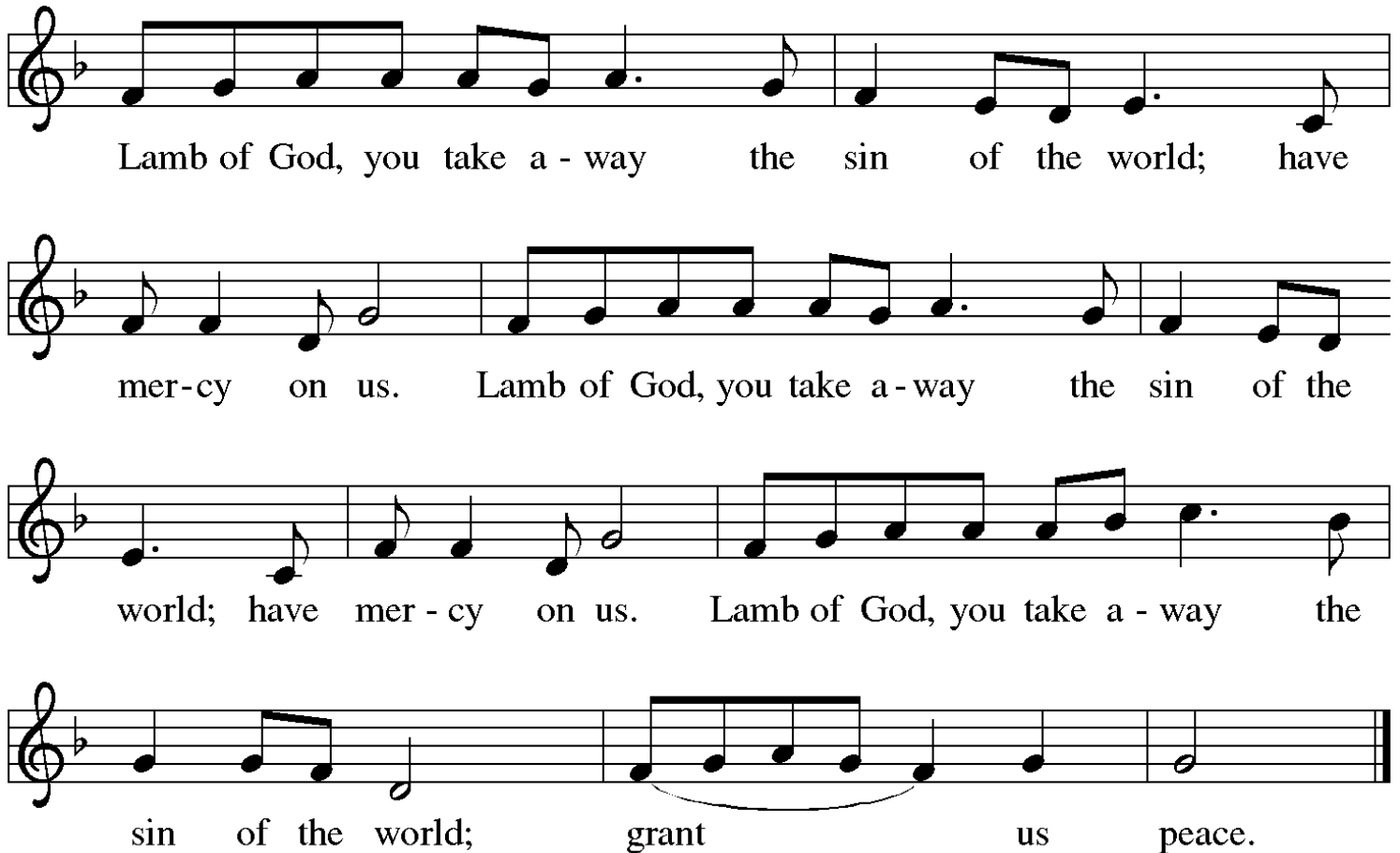
Breaking the Bread and Invitation to Communion

The risen Christ is made known to us in the breaking of the bread.

Come and eat at God's table.

Please be seated.

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

The proclamation is shared for those communing in their place with an all-in-one kit or home elements.

Sharing the elements:

The Body of Christ given for you. The Blood of Christ shed for you.

*Each person may respond: **Amen.***

The leaders share Holy Communion.

The assembly is invited to come forward by the direction of the ushers by the center aisle and receive Holy communion, then return via the side aisle. [For Sunday: You may receive the Sacrament around the altar or at the floor stations.]

Communion Hymns: 8:00 & 10:30 am # 853, #779, #669

SENDING – *We are set out to share hope and make disciples.*

Blessing: *Please stand as able.*

Prayer after Communion

Let us pray together. **Shepherding God, you have prepared a table before us and nourished us with your love. Send us forth from this banquet to proclaim your goodness and share the abundant mercy of Jesus, our redeemer and friend. Amen.**

Sending of Communion

Gracious God, loving all your family with a mother's tender care: As you sent the angel to feed Elijah with heavenly bread, assist those who set forth to share your word and sacrament with those who are *sick and homebound*. In your love and care, nourish and strengthen those who will receive this sacrament, and give us all the comfort of your abiding presence through the body and blood of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

Benediction

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy, and the Spirit of Easter hope ✠ bless you now and always.

Amen.

Sending Hymn: # 708 Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love

Dismissal

Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Postlude:

5:00 PM *They'll Know We are Christians* Hayes

8:00 AM 10:30 AM *Festive March* Denton

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The flowers at the Altar are given to the glory of God and in honor of John and Donna Dorseys' 48th Wedding Anniversary.

The Candle is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Scott P. Weyandt from Mark & Arlene Wagner.

Please take a moment to fill out a “communion card” for each person if you have not done so this year. They can be found in the pew rack in front of you. Please place the completed card in the offering plate.

WE THANK TODAY'S SERVICE PARTICIPANTS

Lectors: 8:00 AM Louise Henry

10:30 AM Paul Kanouff

Acolytes: 8:00 AM Heidi Koehl

10:30 AM Josh Hayes

Communion Assistants: 5:00 pm TBD

8:00 AM Tom Kubinec, Linda Boyer

10:30 AM Missy Houston, Ann Wineman

Ushers: 8:00 AM Larry Myers, Bernie Zundel

10:30 AM Kevin Kurimsky, Jackie or Jason Nester, Tony & Jaime Gacek

Altar Guild: Mary Lou Millward, Judy Miller

THIS WEEK

Robyn's OFFICE HOURS are MON-TH 9:00 AM–2:00 PM, FRIDAY 9 AM-12PM

On Call for pastoral emergencies: Pastor Caroline is Monday-Thursday. Pastor Andrew is Friday– Sunday. (These are tentative schedules, the pastors often need to shift time to accommodate pastoral needs, so please don't hesitate to contact either pastor!)

Sunday

8AM & 10:30 am Communion

Monday

10:30 a.m. Quilting Ministry

11:00 am PS Practice

1:00 pm Quilting Ministry

2:00 pm PS Practice

6:00 pm Joyful Noise Rehearsal

Tuesday

9:30 am PS Library Speech

10:45 am PS Practice

6:30 pm B. Study W/ P Caroline
& Deb Mertz

Wednesday

6:00 pm Bell Choir

7:00 pm Adult Choir

Thursday

10:30 am Bible Study w/ P Andrew

11:00 am PS Library

1:00 pm Hymn Sing Hempfield
Manor

3:00 pm Grief Support Group

7:00 pm Boy Scouts

7:00 pm Church Council

Friday

8:00 am Sanctuary Reserved

10:00 am Ladies Bible Study

Saturday

8:00 am Men's Breakfast

8:00 am Sanctuary Reserved

8:00 am Social Hall Reserved

5:00 PM Communion

Hempfield Manor Hymn Sing and Holy Communion

Our next Hymn Sing at Hempfield Manor will be this coming Thursday, May 9th, at 1pm. Come join us as we sing classic hymns that the residents have requested. We will share an abbreviated Holy Communion service led by Pastor Andrew with the residents! All are welcome! Upcoming Hymn Sing dates are: Saturday, June 22nd 2:00pm; Wednesday, July 10th 10:00am

Bible Study with Pastor Andrew: "Resurrection Ripples" – every

Thursday at 10:30am starting April 11th. We will be covering the contexts, background, and everyday impacts of the Acts texts, the Revelation texts, and related Bible sections of the Easter season. We will wrestle with the faith questions of what does it mean to be Easter people in this day?

Camp Lutherlyn is having a Camp Blast on Saturday May 11 from 11 am to 4:30 pm. it will be a day of fun with all that Lutherlyn has to offer. Campfire. Gaga ball, Archery, Zipline, Crafts, Bouldering Room, Hiking, Nature Activities Canoeing, Hay Rides, Games, Sports, Archaeology, Jump Pillow, Kayaking, Lego Room, Tours, Great Food and more. There is no registration. This is a free event!

Camp registrations are now open for summer campers! \$100 off for first time campers...IT IS \$50 OFF for half week campers. There is a discount code for this it is **First**. It doesn't apply for Family Camp, Confirmation Camp, Day Camps, or Small Fry Days. Register at LUTHERLYN.COM/SUMMERCAMP Please see/or call Rob Hepler for more information. 724-446-2174. We want to be sure that every child or youth that wants to go to Lutherlyn can go—we have camp scholarships!

Giant Yard Sale/Craft Vendors

Saturday June 1st from 8 AM – 1 PM Harrold Zion will be having a Yard Sale/Craft Sales. If you have stuff to sell, this is the event for you. To be a vendor at the event, the cost will be \$20 for parking lot space or \$25 for space and one table provided by the church for your setup (Only 20 table are available for first 20 registered). If you have items to sale but do not want to be a vendor during the event, we will be accepting donations of sellable items which will be sold by the Trash & Treasure Sale volunteers. (There is a separate Sign up in communication center for this) You may bring your items to church on May 28th, 29th, or 30th from 5 – 7 PM. Drop off will be in the upstairs Pre-School room. All items will be tagged and marked to sell so please don't be emotionally upset if items are priced different than what you intend. Please sign-up in the communication center to reserve spot and if you need a table. We would also like to have baked goods to sell at the event so we are looking for volunteers to bake cookies/cakes/pies/breads/etc... There will be a concession table selling breakfast and lunch items for sale all day. All proceeds from the rentals, item donations, and concession/baked goods tables go towards the church general fund and meeting the yearly budget. Vendors are always welcome to donate a percentage of their earnings from the event. Registration money is payable to Brad Zundel or the church office (You will receive a numbered Vendor ticket).

Grief Support Group: We are going to begin another grief support group here at Harrold Zion for those who have lost loved ones. The group will begin on April 18th at 3:00 PM here at the church. The group will meet for at least six weeks. We may have other groups after this group ends. If you are interested or have questions, please contact Pr. Caroline at pastorcarolinehzlc@gmail.com or call the church office.



Summer Book Class: Deb Mertz and Pr. Caroline are offering a class this summer using the book, “Believe: Living the story of the Bible to become like Jesus,” edited by Randy Frazee. We will be doing the second 10 lessons of the book. You are welcome to attend even if you could not attend the previous class. There is a book and a study guide. Please contact Pr. Caroline at pastorcarolinehzc@gmail.com or Deb Mertz at deb_mertz@att.net if you are interested or talk to either one at church. We are having the class on Tuesdays, 6:30 PM, here at the church. It will begin Tuesday, April 16th, and it will last 10 weeks. We will not meet during the week of VBS, June 11th. The last class will be on June 25th.

ViaQuest is Looking for Volunteers in our area for companionship. Please call Doug Johnson at 724-205-1573, for more information.

VBS Ms. Sheri is in need of empty cereal boxes for VBS. Please place boxes in the bins in the Communication Center. It does not matter if they are flat or left whole.

May 18th and 19th: Confirmation Meet and Greet. Coffee, juice, and pastries will be served on May 18th after the 5:00 PM service and in between services on Sunday, May 19th. Join us in welcoming our newest adult members of the body of Christ and Harrold Zion.

Order Begonia Plants for Pentecost! We will decorate the altar area with begonias to celebrate Pentecost. A 5 inch pot is \$6.50. Please complete an order envelope, which can be found in the Communication Center. Enclose your payment and place it in the offering plate. Orders are due Sunday, May 12. Any plants not picked up by June 1 will be planted in the church “cross” flower beds.

Bike Collection in conjunction with Manor Presbyterian Church. They can be put at the pavilion. Rob will pick up from there. Please call Rob at 724-446-2174 and let him know that you dropped off bikes or if you need to have any picked up from your home. This collection will last through May 14th. The bikes will be refurbished and given to needy people. Please check with your neighbors and friends also!

Back by popular demand – Crash Weekends! Let's Crash the Summer Slump. The summer months have traditionally been challenging meeting the financial obligations towards our church. Let's be proactive and get a head start on the summer by bringing in our loose change. There will be two Crash Weekends – May 18th & 19th and May 25th & 26th. Change will be collected during the Prelude.

ITEMS AVAILABLE FOR SPONSORSHIP:

Flowers available:

Altar Arrangements: May 25,26 (2 Vases) June 1,2 (2 Vases)

Roses May 11,12 (2 Roses), May 18,19,(2 Roses)May 25,26 (1 Rose)

Candle May 11,12, May 25, 26

Bulletin May 11,12, May 18,19, May 25,26

To sponsor items, please sign up in the Communication Center.

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