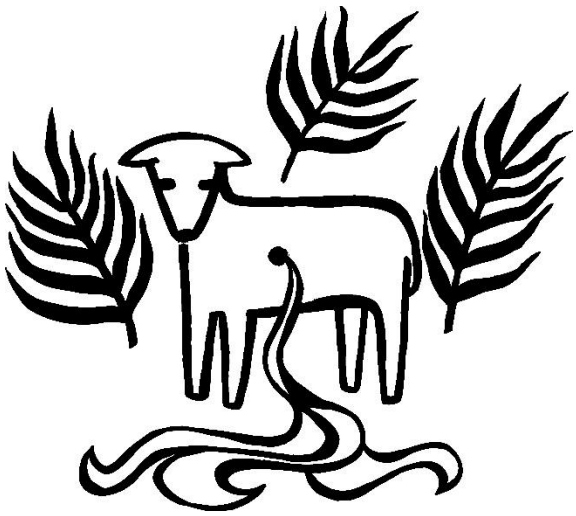
Hollywood Lutheran Church

All Saints Day
Sunday, November 1, 2026



INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

All Saints celebrates the baptized people of God, living and dead, who are the body of Christ. As November heralds the dying of the landscape in many northern regions, the readings and liturgy call us to remember all who have died in Christ and whose baptism is complete. At the Lord's table we gather with the faithful of every time and place, trusting that the promises of God will be fulfilled and that all tears will be wiped away in the new Jerusalem.



Welcome To Worship

Empowered by the Holy Spirit, our mission is to offer God's Word of Love, Grace, Mercy, and Justice to our homes, congregation, city, and all creation.

Welcome—we're glad you're here. Take a breath, settle in, and participate at your own pace; let the congregation and bulletin guide you. Join us after the service for refreshments—we'd love to meet you. If you're not feeling well, please consider wearing a mask so we can keep one another safe.

Visitors are invited to complete the attendance card in the pew and share any prayer requests or concerns. Sing as you're able—just praise, no need to be perfect. Children are a joyful part of worship; their sounds are welcome, and crayons and coloring sheets are available in the narthex. We celebrate Holy Communion today—all are welcome, with wine, grape juice, and gluten-free bread available.

The rainbow candelabra on the altar serves as a reminder of this community's inclusive and intentional welcome to the LGBTQ+ community.

The Paschal candle at the entrance to the sanctuary symbolizes the welcoming light of Jesus Christ and has traditionally been a sign of Christ as the Light of the World.

Join us after the service for refreshments in Hoick Hall. We look forward to meeting you.

In Today's Liturgy

Minister: Rev. Toni Castañeda Carrera
Assistant Minister: Ted Goulet
Lector: Tom Scott
Organist: Michael Anderson
Cantor: Phyllis Lundine

Plants and Flowers are given to the glory of God.

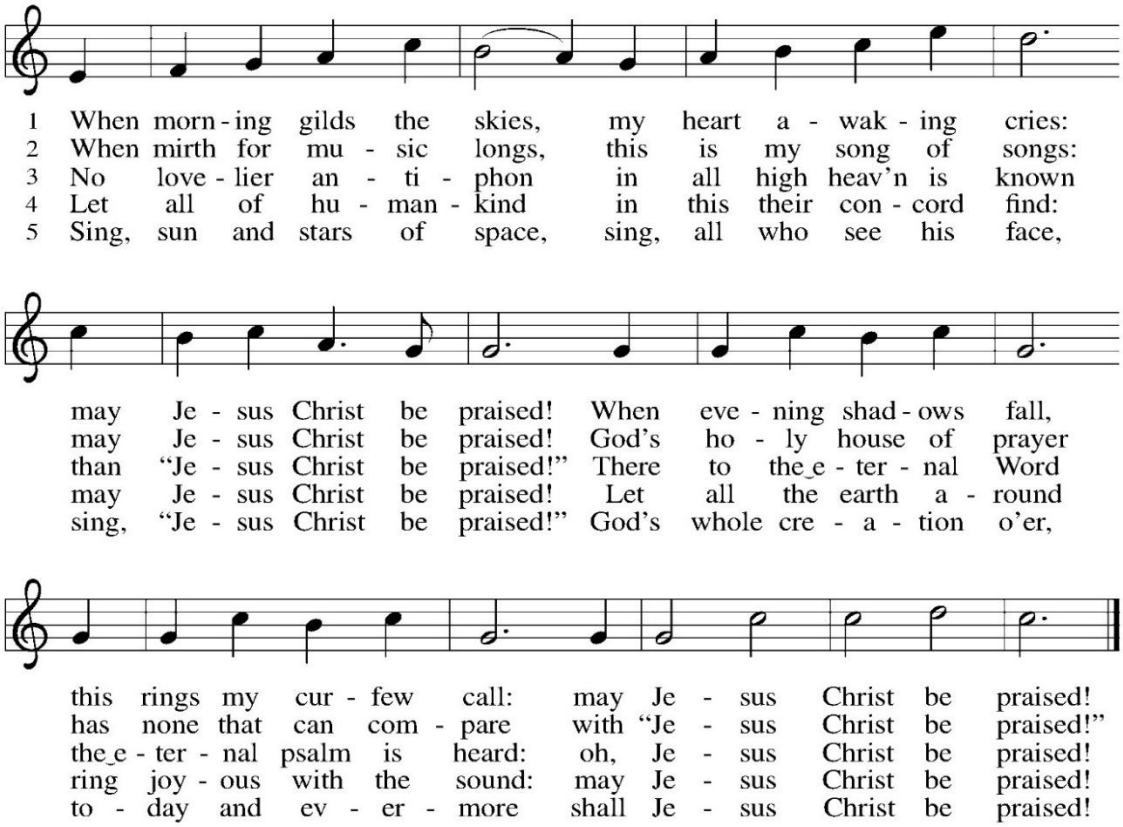
PRELUDE Michael Anderson

The congregation is invited to stand as they can or feel comfortable.

Welcome, This Morning Worship Service Begins With
The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

PRAYER OF THE DAY
Let us pray.
Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

GATHERING SONG *When Morning Gilds the Skies (ELW 853)*



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.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS
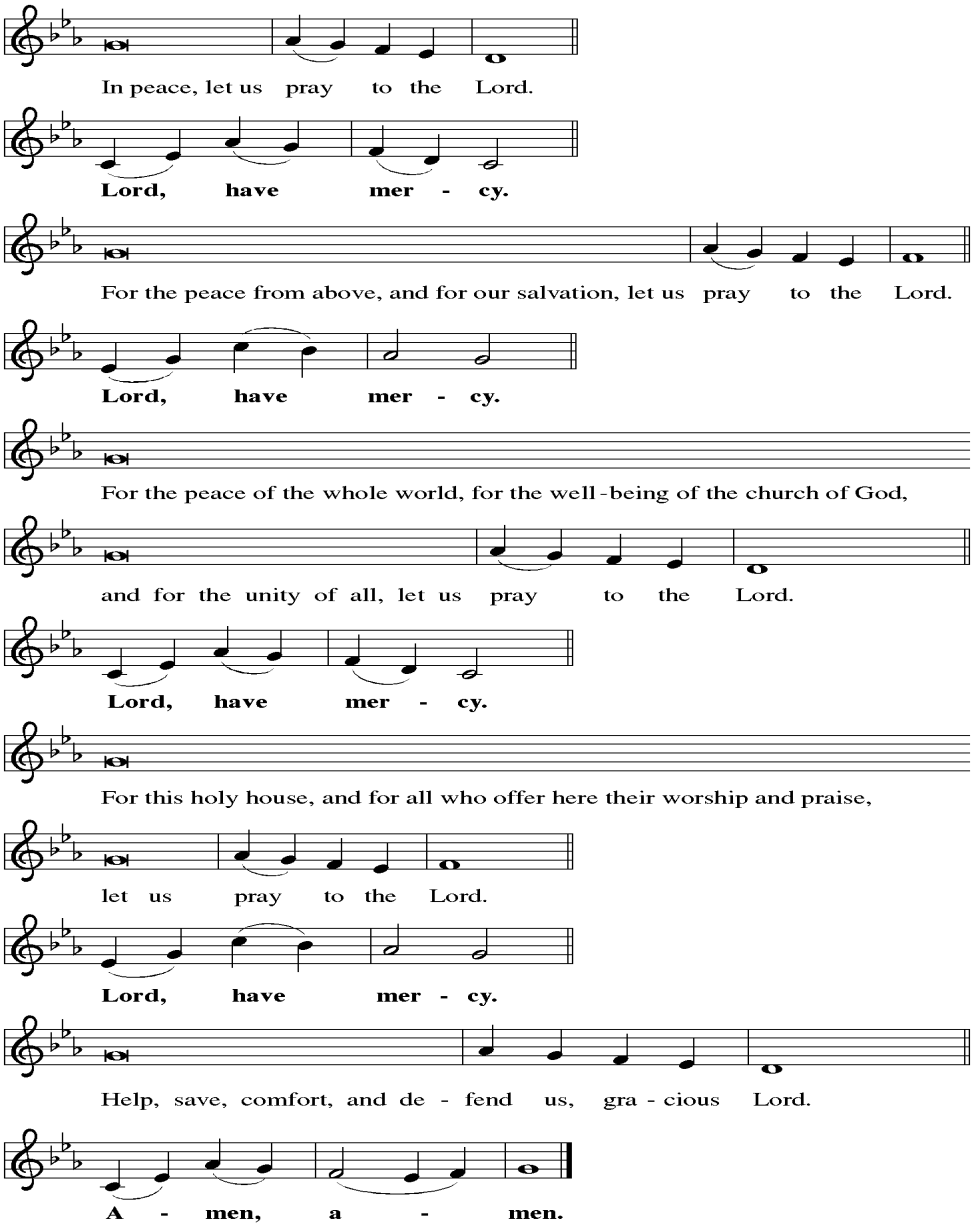
In the name of the Father,
and of the ☩ Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.
Most merciful God,
we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

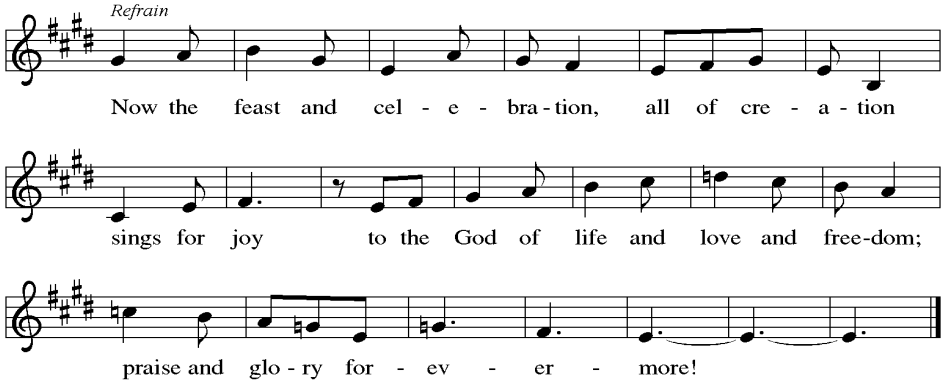
In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

KYRIE



CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Now the Feast and Celebration (ELW 167)



God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

The congregation is invited to be seated.

<u>FIRST READING</u>: Revelation 7:9-17

A reading from Revelation.

The book of Revelation is written to seven churches in western Asia Minor during a time of great oppression. Today's reading is a response to the question asked in 6:17: "Who is able to stand?" The writer gives the faithful the assurance of God's protection and a vision of victory.

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

"Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne and to the Lamb!"

And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing,

"Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor
and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one who knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

For this reason they are before the throne of God
and worship him day and night within his temple,
and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.
They will hunger no more and thirst no more;
the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat,
for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd,
and he will guide them to springs of the water of life,
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

Word of God, word of life.
Thanks be to God.

<u>PSALM</u>: Psalm 34:1-10, 22

Refrain (***R***): Fear the LORD, you saints of the LORD; for those who fear the LORD lack nothing.

I will bless the LORD at all times;
the praise of God shall ever be in my mouth.
I will glory in the LORD;
let the lowly hear and rejoice. ***R***
Proclaim with me the greatness of the LORD;
let us exalt God's name together.
I sought the LORD, who answered me and delivered me from all my terrors.
Look upon the LORD and be radiant, and let not your faces be ashamed.
I called in my affliction, and the LORD heard me
and saved me from all my troubles. ***R***
The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear the LORD and delivers them.
Taste and see that the LORD is good;
happy are they who take refuge in God!
Fear the LORD, you saints of the LORD, for those who fear the LORD lack nothing.
The lions are in want and suffer hunger,
but those who seek the LORD lack nothing that is good.
O LORD, you redeem the life of your servants,
and those who put their trust in you will not be punished. ***R***

SECOND READING: 1 John 3:1-3

A reading from 1 John.
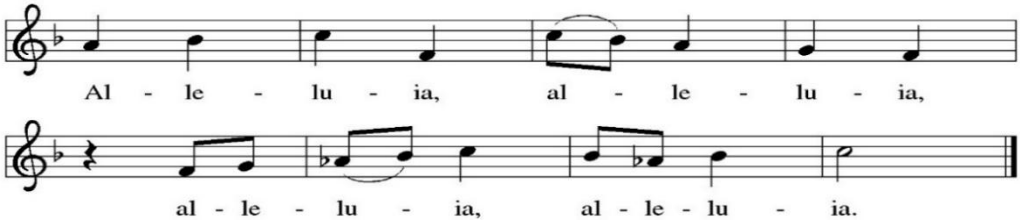
A saint is one who has been set apart by God for God's purposes. God, out of divine love, set us apart to be the children of God. Our holy hope is that we shall see God as God really is.

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God, and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

Word of God, word of life.
Thanks be to God.

You are invited to stand, as you are able or as you feel comfortable.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL: Matthew 5:1-12

The holy gospel according to Matthew.
Glory to you, O Lord.

In the Beatitudes, Jesus provides a unique description of those who are blessed with God's favor. His teaching is surprising and shocking to those who seek wealth, fame, and control over others.

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. And he began to speak and taught them, saying:

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.
"Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.
"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.
"Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.
"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.
"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.
"Blessed are those who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
"Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."
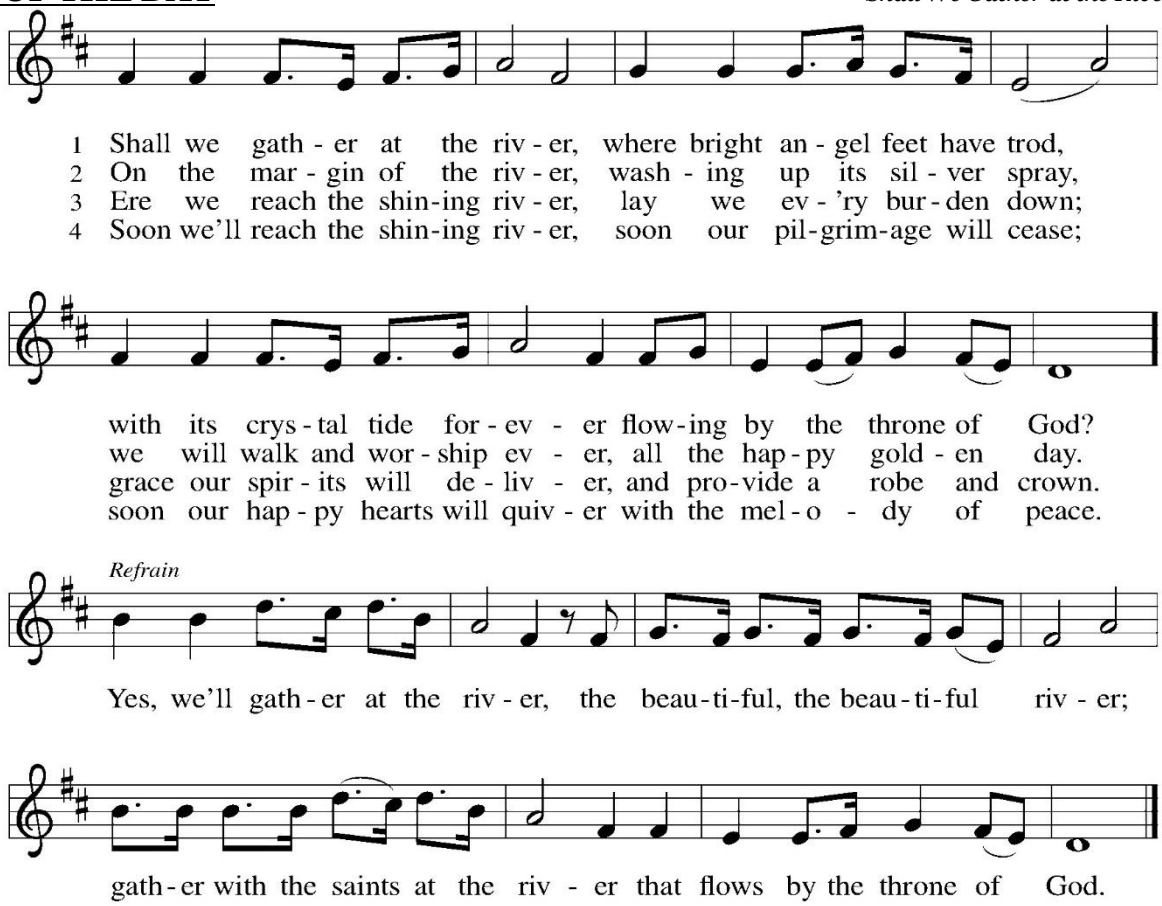
The gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

The congregation is invited to be seated.

SERMON Rev. Toni Castañeda Carrera

You are invited to stand, as you are able or as you feel comfortable.

HYMN OF THE DAY *Shall We Gather at the River (ELW 423)*



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 INTERCESSION

United with the great cloud of witnesses, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all of creation.

Fill your church with mercy and humility as we proclaim the gospel in our worship and witness in the world. Renew and inspire all who preach and teach among us.
God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**
Restore all lands suffering from ecological degradation. Protect soils and waterways. Point us toward innovative ways of living in harmony and joy with creation.
God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**
Unite the nations in their actions toward justice and peace. Raise up leaders who listen deeply for the needs of their communities, and surround the election process with wisdom and discernment.
God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Bring comfort and care to all who are in need, especially all who mourn this day. Sustain any who are weary, experiencing loneliness, or struggling with chronic illness.
God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**
Nurture programs and communities that support elders and those who are homebound. Bless caregivers, nurses, chaplains, social workers, and hospice staff. Guide this congregation's ministry with seniors and their families.
God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**
With grateful hearts we remember all who have died and now rest from their labors. Fill us with songs of praise until we too are gathered at your side.
God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For what else shall we pray for today? *We invite prayers from the congregation to be shared.*
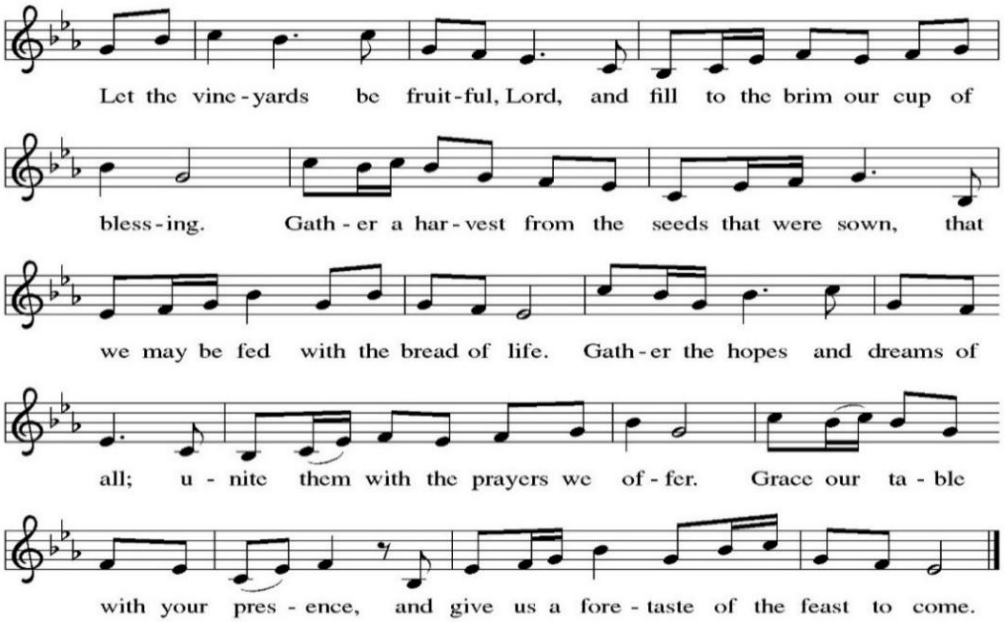
Into your steadfast love, faithful God, we entrust all for whom we pray, in the name of Jesus, your beloved. **Amen.**

PEACE
The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS *The congregation is invited to be seated.*

The usher will now pass the offering plate.
Special Music by Michael Anderson

OFFERING *Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful*



OFFERING PRAYER
Let us pray.

Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

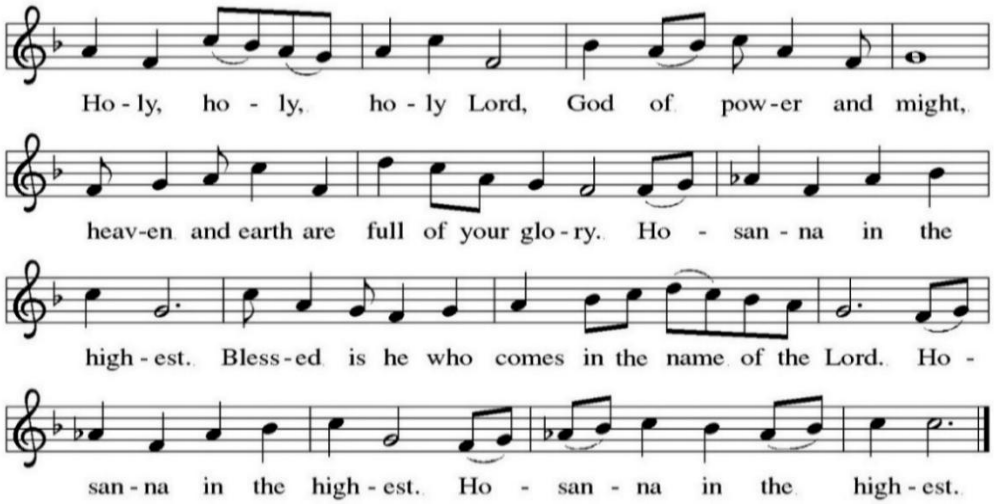
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

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 witness of your saints you show us the hope of our calling and strengthen us to run the race set before us, that we may delight in your mercy and rejoice with them in glory.
And so, with all the saints, with the choirs of angels and all the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

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.

LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen

"Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.
Blessed are they who are called to His table."

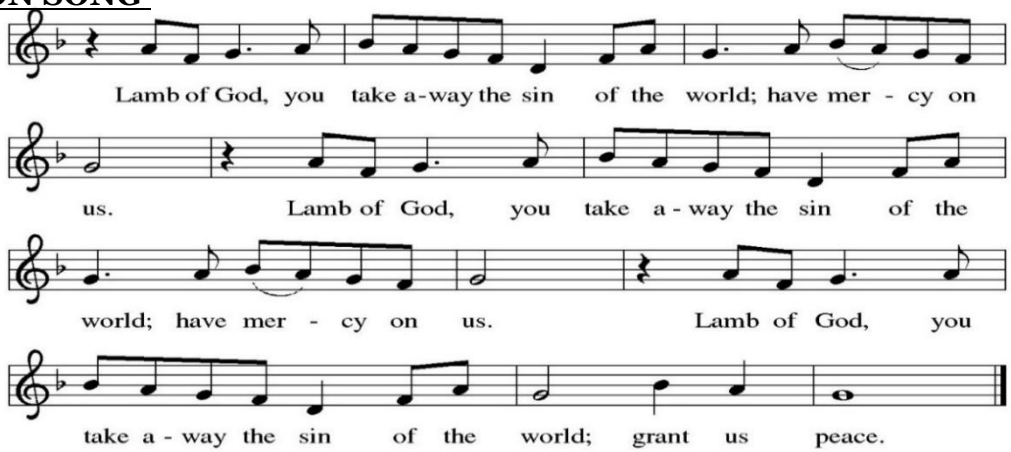
INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come to the banquet, for all is now ready.

COMMUNION

The body of Christ, given for you.
The blood of Christ, shed for you. Amen.

COMMUNION SONG



You are invited to stand, as you are able or as you feel comfortable.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.
O God, our life, our strength, our food, we give you thanks for sustaining us with the body and blood of your Son. By your Holy Spirit, enliven us to be his body in the world, that more and more we will give you praise and serve your earth and its many peoples, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

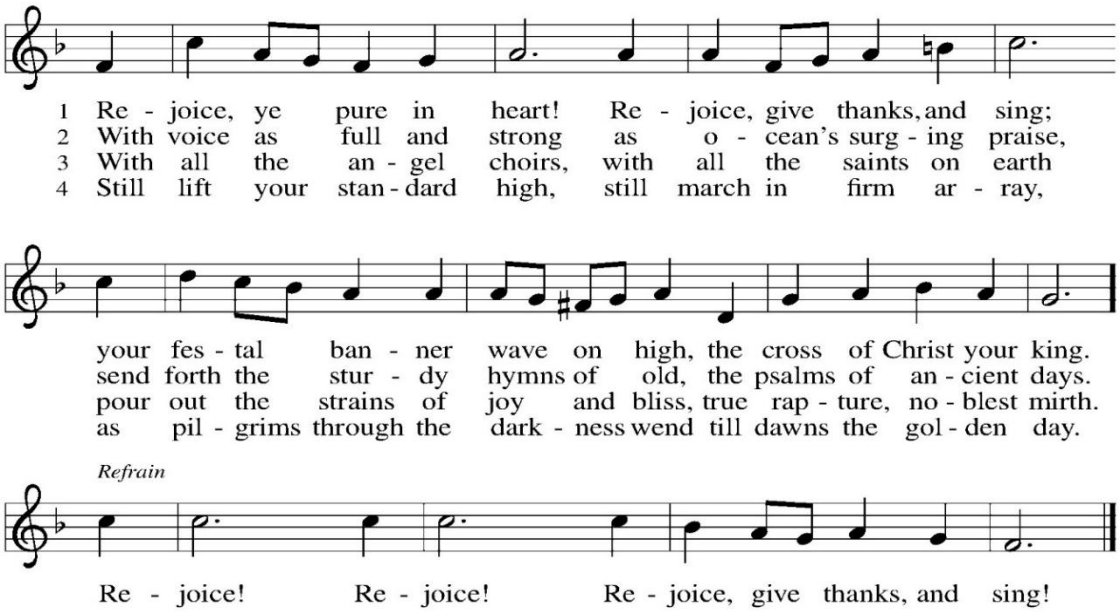
BLESSING & SENDING FORTH

The God of steadfastness and encouragement
grant you to live in harmony with one another,
in accordance with Christ Jesus. **Amen.**

The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing,
so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The God of all grace ✢ bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

SENDING SONG *Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart! (ELW 873)*



DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Christ is with you.
Thanks be to God.

Please offer your prayers throughout the week for the following individuals:

Special Prayer:
God of peace, we humbly pray for your mercy. Guide the leaders of all nations with wisdom and compassion, that they may choose peace over conflict. Hold close families who are separated, comfort those who are afraid, and protect all who are caught in violence and uncertainty. Provide for their daily needs and keep them safe. Remind us that we are one human family, and fill every heart with hope, courage, and the assurance that no one is alone.

Healing:
Tanya, John Curley, Lorene Yaros, Irene Yaros, Charlette Johnson, Lee Nelson, Vallery Steward, Bill Richards, David Conrad, Scott Aries, Amara Olivera, Jeffrey Forbar, Roy Mariano

Wholeness and well-being:
Marie Sorensen, Adelina, Deborah An Monahan, Thomas Richardson

Trust in God's mercy:
Kat Nelson, Tamara Olivera & Alonzo Perez De Arre, Zakaria, Karin Garcia, Arvik Rostamians

Healing & the Strength in the Fight Against Cancer:
Gerry Hockins, Anna Harris, Ashlyn, Jennifer Yates, Jaha Blackwell, Debra Lande

Hope & strength:
Karen Kelly Dingman, Bette Alburtis & Family.
For all military people who are deployed or serving.

In Loving Memory, candles are lit in remembrance of:
Eric Dingman
Remembering all who have passed this year.

If you would like to add, update, or remove a name, please contact the church office at hlchurch.office@gmail.com or (323) 667-1212.
Names are generally kept on the list for one month, unless otherwise requested.

HOLLYWOOD LUTHERAN CHURCH
105th Year

We are a welcoming congregation of the Southwest California Synod Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, committed to serving our community with faith, compassion, and hospitality.

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HLC Schedule:
Worship Service — Every Sunday @ 10:00 AM
Food Pantry Delivery — Mondays 8:00 AM
Food Pantry Distribution — Wednesdays from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM



How Great Thou Art
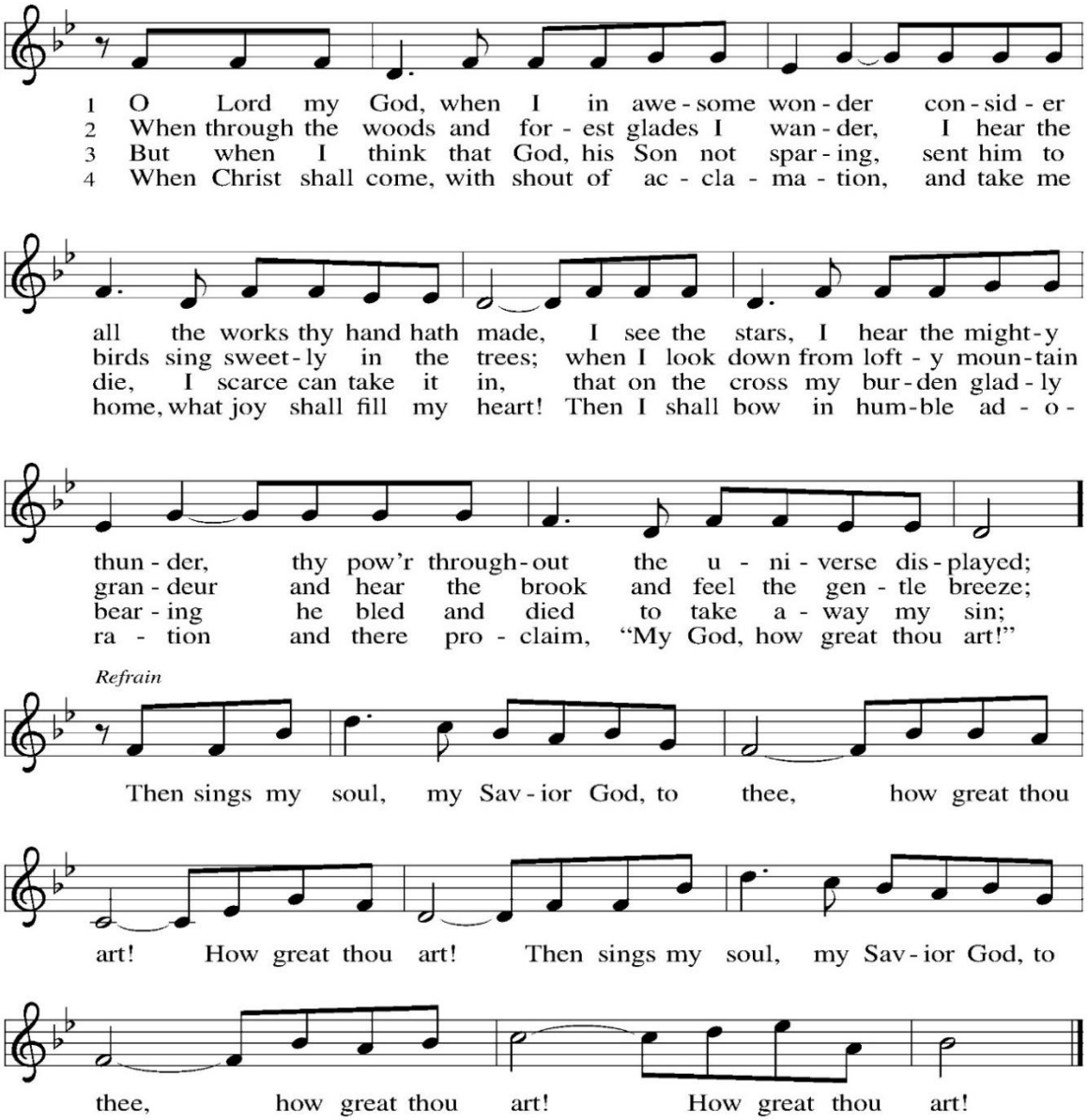
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