Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

Sunday, September 13th, 2026

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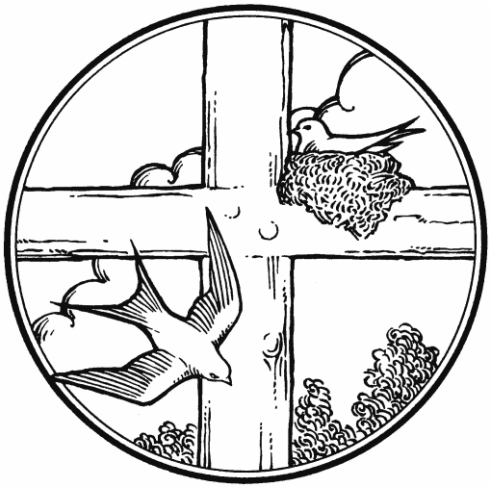

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"We are baptized children of God, forgiven and redeemed by Jesus. We are His family, called together to receive His gifts and serve others."

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Greetings to all in the Name of the Risen Lord!

May our worship celebrate the joy and hope, peace and presence, of our Lord Jesus Christ, raised to life for us. We welcome all, especially our guests. If you do not have a church home please consider Divine Shepherd. We would love to have you as part of our family. Please take a minute and sign our guest book.

A prayer before Worship

This is the day you have made, O Lord Jesus, a day of new life and eternal celebration! The stone is moved; death is defeated; heaven is open. As Your disciples first saw and believed Your victory over the tomb, so give us joy in the promise You made and keep for us: because You live, we live also! Amen.

***PLEASE NOTE* We ask that when the Prelude is begun, conversation will cease in order that all have an opportunity to prepare for worship. Please turn off all cell phones.**

The Lord's Supper

The Lord's Supper is celebrated in the confession and gladness that, as our Lord says, He gives into our mouth not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord Jesus 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.

Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the blood of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty concerning the body and blood of the Lord. (1 Cor 11:28 ESV) Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar. Any who holds a confession differing from that of the Holy Scriptures, or are not a member in good standing with the LC-MS, are asked to speak with Pastor Schewe or Pastor Mercer.

Members and guests of DSLC and School we stream our services through Facebook Live. With this stream we do publish this to our Facebook page which means your face may end up on our Facebook page. If you are not comfortable with this please talk to Pastor to address this concern. - Thank you, The AV Team.

Prelude "Praise to You and Adoration"
Everett Buhler, piano

719 I Leave All Things to God's Direction

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Invocation

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

C Amen.

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth.

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Confession & Absolution
P O almighty God, merciful Father,
C I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

Introit *Psalm 86:4, 6, 15a, 16; antiphon: vv. 1a, 2b, 3*

Incline your ear, O Lord, and | answer me,*
save your servant, who trusts in you—you | are my God.

Be gracious to me, | O Lord,*
for to you do I cry | all the day.

Gladden the soul of your | servant,*
for to you, O Lord, do I lift | up my soul.

Give ear, O Lord, | to my prayer;*
listen to my | plea for grace.

But you, O Lord, are a God merciful and | gracious;*
turn to me and be gra- | cious to me;

give your strength to your | servant,*
and save the son of your maid- | servant.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

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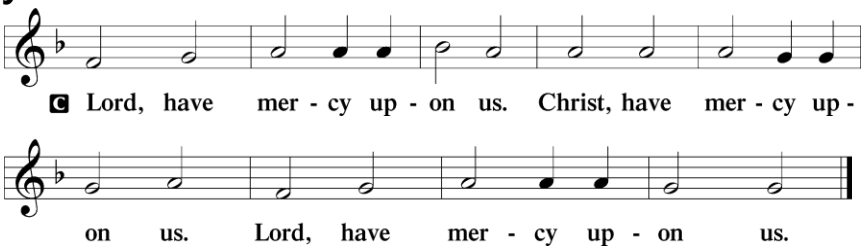
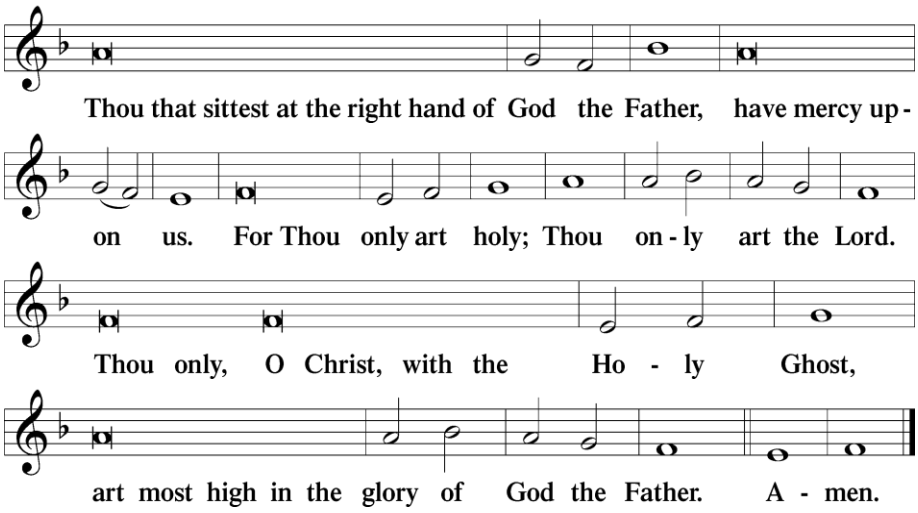
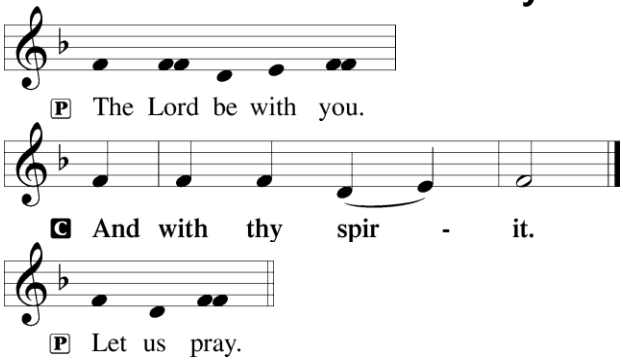
Kyrie



Gloria in Excelsis



Salutation and Collect of the Day



P O Lord, we implore You, let Your continual pity cleanse and defend Your Church; and because she cannot continue in safety without Your aid, preserve her evermore by Your help and goodness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Sit

Old Testament Reading *1 Kings 17:8–16*

[8]Then the word of the Lord came to [Elijah], [9]"Arise, go to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and dwell there. Behold, I have commanded a widow there to feed you." [10]So he arose and went to Zarephath. And when he came to the gate of the city, behold, a widow was there gathering sticks. And he called to her and said, "Bring me a little water in a vessel, that I may drink." [11]And as she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, "Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand." [12]And she said, "As the Lord your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of flour in a jar and a little oil in a jug. And now I am gathering a couple of sticks that I may go in and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it and die." [13]And Elijah said to her, "Do not fear; go and do as you have said. But first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterward make something for yourself and your son. [14]For thus says the Lord the God of Israel, 'The jar of flour shall not be spent, and the jug of oil shall not be empty, until the day that the Lord sends rain upon the earth.'" [15]And she went and did as Elijah said. And she and he and her household ate for many days. [16]The jar of flour was not spent, neither did the jug of oil become empty, according to the word of the Lord that he spoke by Elijah.

Gradual

It is better to take refuge | in the Lord*
than to | trust in man.
It is better to take refuge | in the Lord*
than to trust in | princes.

Epistle *Galatians 5:25—6:10*

25 If we live by the Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit.
26 Let us not become conceited, provoking one another,
envying one another. 1 Brothers, if anyone is caught in
any transgression, you who are spiritual should restore
him in a spirit of gentleness. Keep watch on yourself,
lest you too be tempted. 2 Bear one another's burdens,
and so fulfill the law of Christ. 3 For if anyone thinks he is
something, when he is nothing, he deceives himself.
4 But let each one test his own work, and then his reason
to boast will be in himself alone and not in his neighbor.
5 For each will have to bear his own load. 6 One who is
taught the word must share all good things with the one
who teaches. 7 Do not be deceived: God is not mocked,
for whatever one sows, that will he also reap. 8 For the
one who sows to his own flesh will from the flesh reap
corruption, but the one who sows to the Spirit will from
the Spirit reap eternal life. 9 And let us not grow weary of
doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not
give up. 10 So then, as we have opportunity, let us do
good to everyone, and especially to those who are of
the household of faith.

Stand

Alleluia

Holy Gospel *Matthew 6:24–34*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the sixth chapter.

C Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

[24][Jesus said:] "No one can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money. [25]"Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? [26]Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? [27]And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? [28]And why are you anxious about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, [29]yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. [30]But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is alive and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you, O you of little faith? [31]Therefore do not be anxious, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' [32]For the Gentiles seek after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. [33]But seek first the

kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you. [34]"Therefore do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise be to Thee, 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 + of the world to come. Amen.

Sit

760 What God Ordains Is Always Good

5 What God ordains is always good:
  Though I the cup am drinking
Which savors now of bitterness,
  I take it without shrinking.
    For after grief
    God gives relief,
My heart with comfort filling
And all my sorrow stilling.

6 What God ordains is always good:
  This truth remains unshaken.
Though sorrow, need, or death be mine,
  I shall not be forsaken.
    I fear no harm,
    For with His arm
He shall embrace and shield me;
So to my God I yield me.

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Sermon

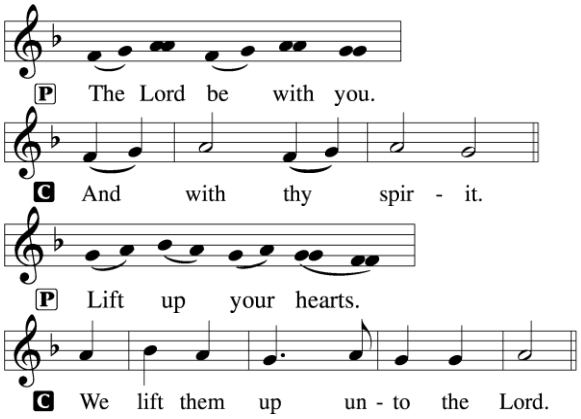
Offertory

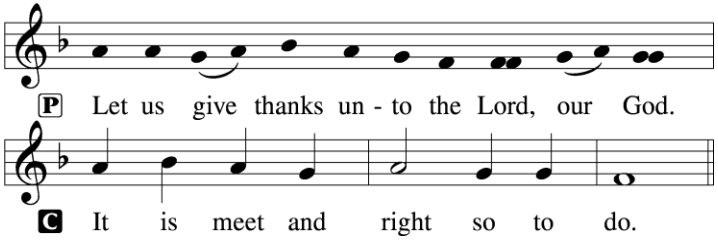
Offering, Special Music "What is the World to Me"
Brooks Buhler, piano

Stand

Prayer of the Church **"Hear Our Prayer"**

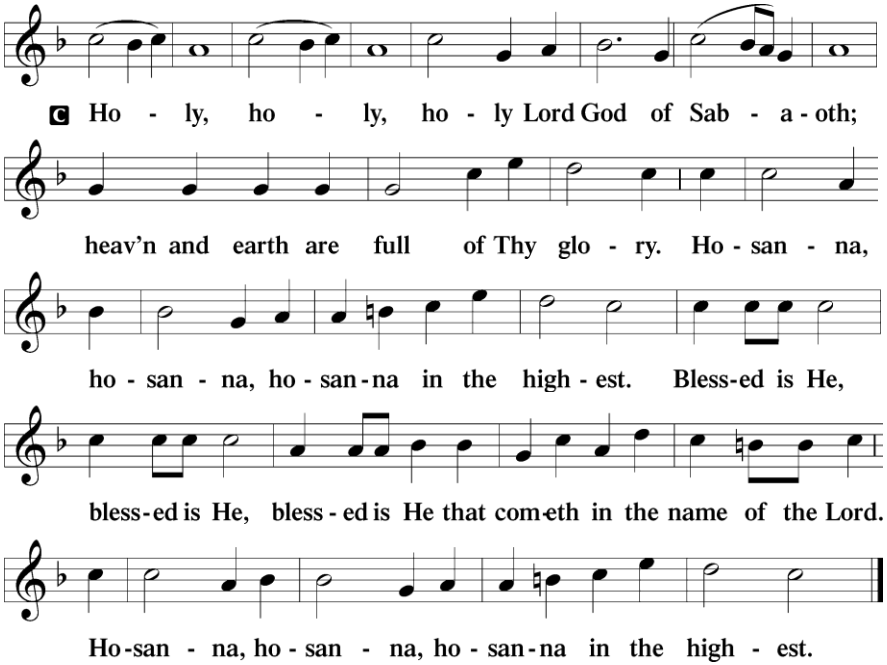
Preface





P It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, out of love for His fallen creation, humbled Himself by taking on the form of a servant, becoming obedient unto death, even death upon a cross. Risen from the dead, He has freed us from eternal death and given us life everlasting. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

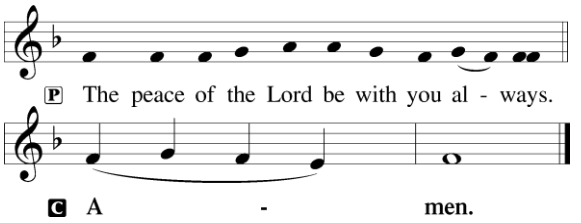


Lord's Prayer

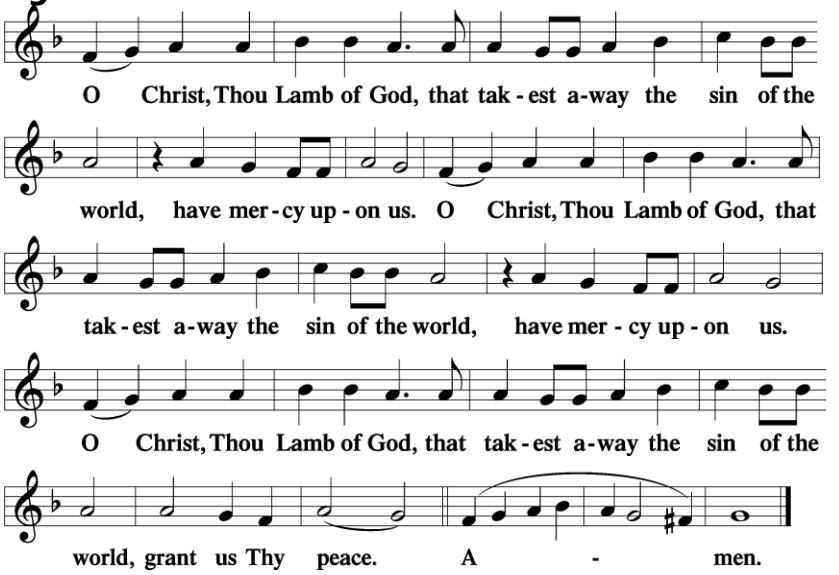
Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

The Words of Our Lord

Pax Domini



Agnus Dei



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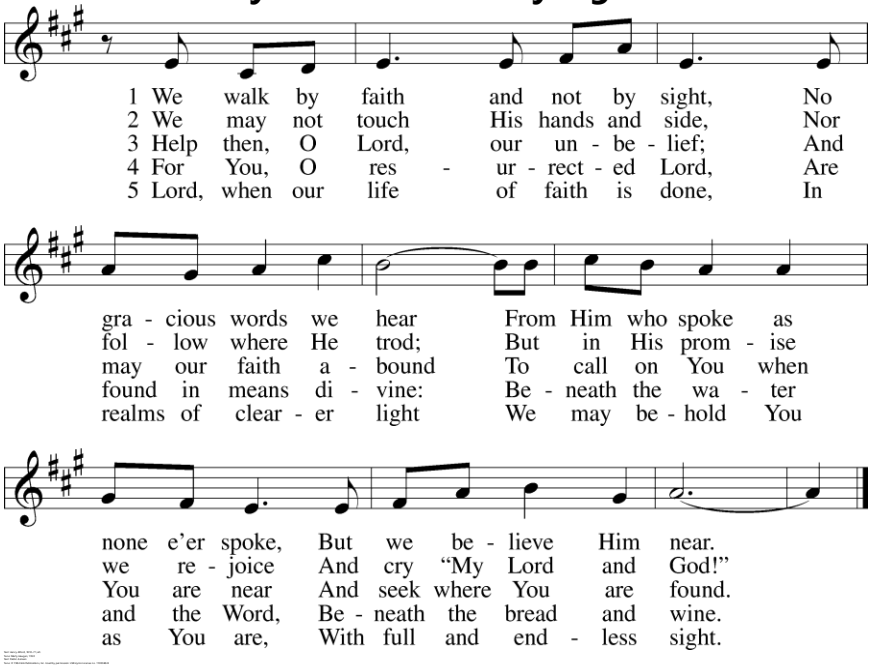
Special Music

"Amazing Grace" *Marshall Norman, recorder*
"God's Own Child" *Norah Severson, piano*

Distribution Hymns

720 We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight



700 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

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809 Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Text: Thomas O. Chisholm, 1866–1960
Tune: William M. Runyan, 1870–1957
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869 With the Lord Begin Your Task

1 With the Lord be - gin your task; Je - sus will di - rect it.
2 Let each day be - gin with prayer, Praise, and ad - o - ra - tion.
3 With your Sav - ior at your side, Foes need not a - larm you;
4 If your task be thus be - gun With the Sav - ior's bless - ing,
5 Thus, Lord Je - sus, ev - 'ry task Be to You com - mend - ed;

For His aid and coun - sel ask; Je - sus will per - fect it.
On the Lord cast ev - 'ry care; He is your sal - va - tion.
In His prom - is - es con - fide, And no ill can harm you.
Safe - ly then your course will run, Toward the prom - ise press - ing.
May Your will be done, I ask, Un - til life is end - ed.

Ev - 'ry morn with Je - sus rise, And when day is end - ed,
Morn - ing, eve - ning, and at night Je - sus will be near you,
All your trust and hope re - pose In the might - y Mas - ter,
Good will fol - low ev - 'ry - where While you here must wan - der;
Je - sus, in Your name be - gun Be the day's en - deav - or;

In His name then close your eyes; Be to Him com - mend - ed.
Save you from the tempt - er's might, With His pres - ence cheer you.
Who in wis - dom tru - ly knows How to stem dis - as - ter.
You at last the joy will share In the man - sions yon - der.
Grant that it may well be done To Your praise for - ev - er.

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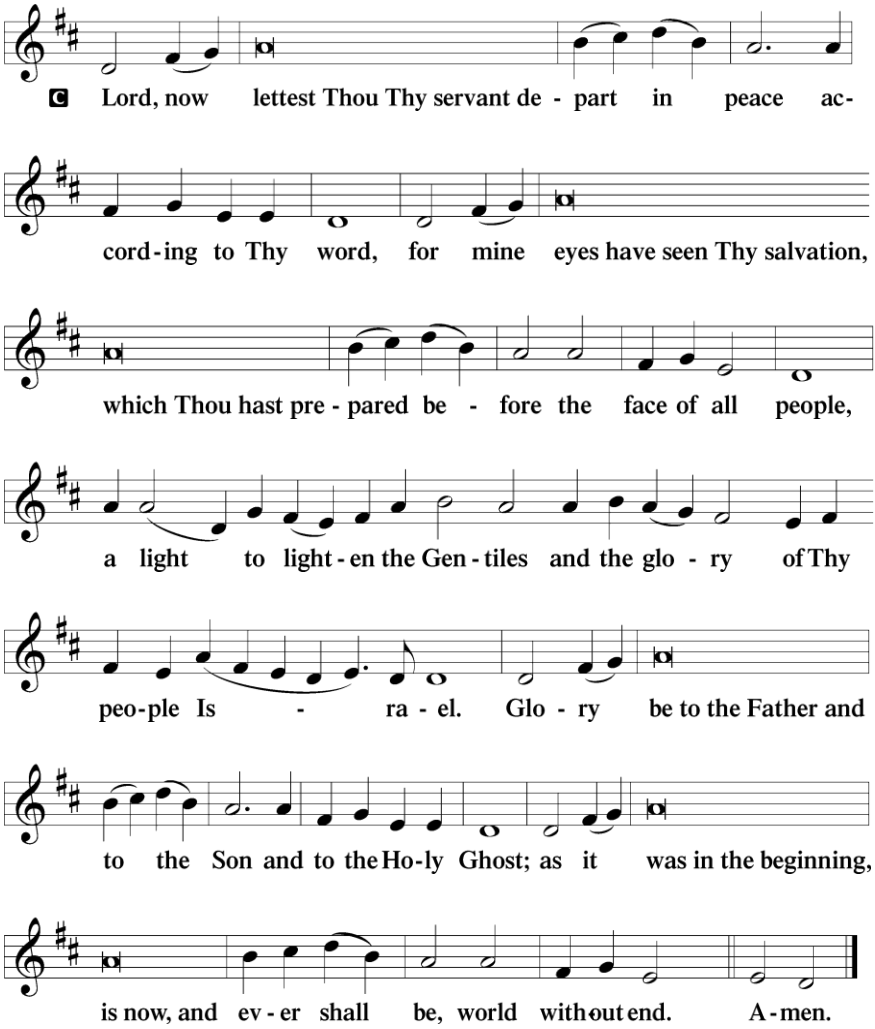
Nunc Dimittis



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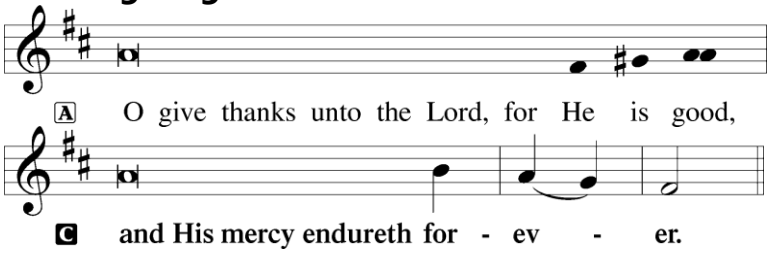
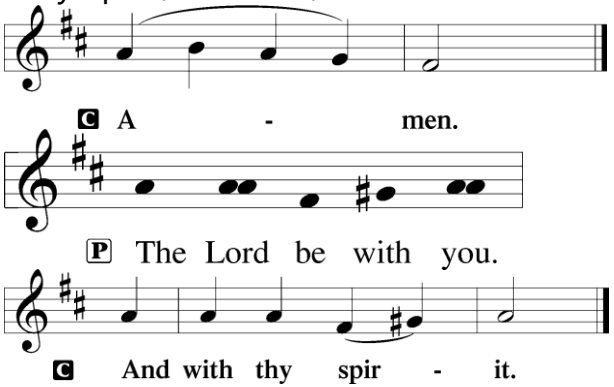
Thanksgiving

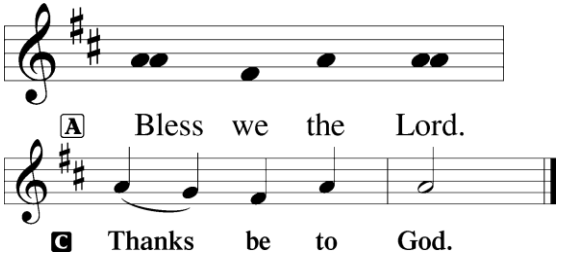


P Let us pray.

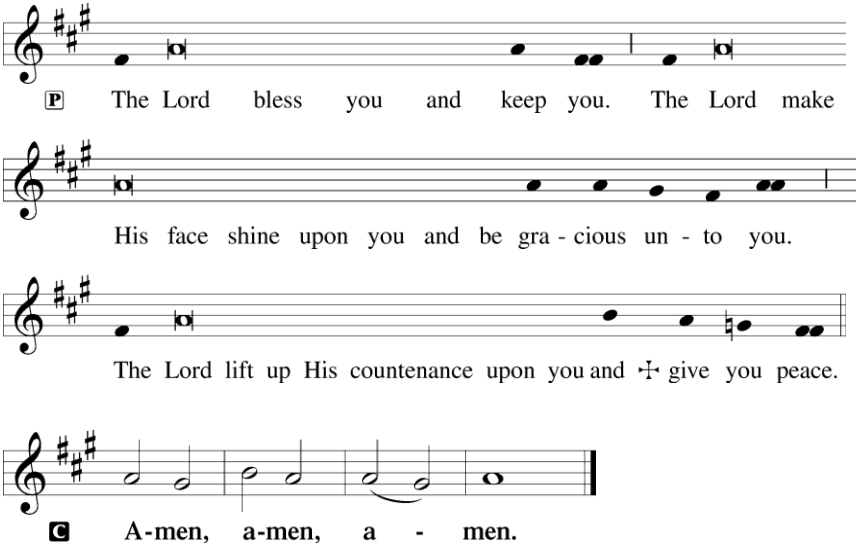
We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You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



Benedicamus



Benediction



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Congregation at Prayer
September 14-20

Catechism: Commandments 1-3 with meaning

Psalm: 4

Hymn: #655 st. 3

Scripture:

Monday:	Matthew 6:1-15
Tuesday:	Mathew 6:16-34
Wednesday:	Matthew 7:1-11
Thursday:	Matthew 7:12-29
Friday:	Matthew 8:1-13
Saturday:	Luke 7:11-17
Sunday:	Luke 7:11-17