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Sunday, November 13, 2022
The Third Sunday of End Times - Saints Triumphant

Service Notes:

- The following psalms in the front of the hymnal (page 64f) will aid you in your meditation before receiving the Lord's Supper: Psalms 34, 42-43, 51, 84, 116, 150. Prayers for preparation for worship are on pages 10 and 11 in the hymnal. A form for preparation for Communion is on page 156.
- Guests, please sign the guest registry in the narthex.
- If you have a prayer request or would like Pastor Schaefer to visit or call you, please talk to him (734-658-5735).

Holy Communion will be celebrated today. Our guests are kindly asked to note that it is our practice to first become a member of our communion fellowship before communing with us. Please speak to our pastor about becoming a member of our communion fellowship.

THE COMMON SERVICE (page 15)

OPENING HYMN: #551 "For All the Saints"

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For All the Saints



1 For all the saints who from their
 2 You were their rock, their for - tress,
 3 Oh, may your sol - diers, faith - ful,
 4 Oh, blest com - mun - ion, fel - low -
 5 And when the fight is fierce, the



la - bors rest, All who their faith be -
 and their might; You, Lord, their cap - tain
 true, and bold Fight as the saints who
 ship di - vine! We fee - bly strug - gle;
 war - fare long, Steals on the ear the



fore the world con - fessed, Your name, O
 in the well - fought fight And in the
 no - bly fought of old And win with
 they in glo - ry shine, Yet all are
 dis - tant tri - umph - song, And hearts are



Je - sus, be for - ev - er blest.
 dark - ness drear their one true light.
 them the vic - tor's crown of gold.
 one with - in your grand de - sign.
 brave a - gain and arms are strong.



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

6 The golden evening brightens in the west;
 Soon, soon, to faithful warriors comes their rest.
 Sweet is the calm of paradise the blest.
 Alleluia! Alleluia!

7 But then there breaks a yet more glorious day:
 The saints triumphant rise in bright array;
 The King of glory passes on his way.
 Alleluia! Alleluia!

8 From earth's wide bounds to ocean's farthest coast
 Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
 Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
 Alleluia! Alleluia!

STAND

M: In the name of the Father and of the (+) Son and of the Holy Spirit.

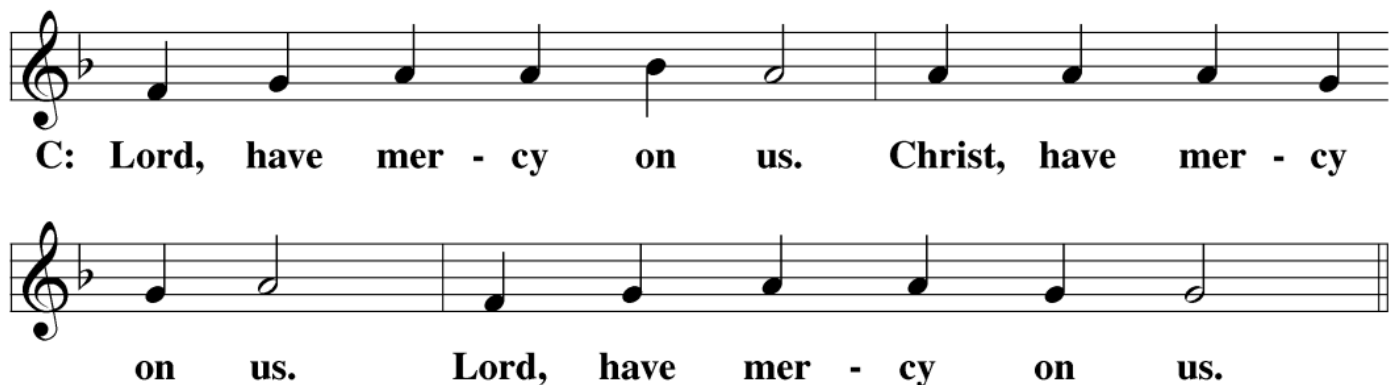


CONFESSION OF SINS

M: Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

LORD, HAVE MERCY (*Kyrie*)




M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.



PRAYER AND PRAISE

M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord:



C: Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.




We praise you, we bless you, we wor-ship you, we glorify you,



we give thanks to you, for your great glory, O Lord God, heav'n-ly King,



God the Fa-ther al - mighty. O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je-sus Christ;



O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the



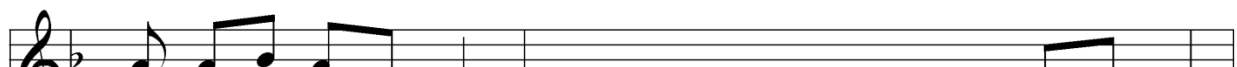
sin of the world; have mercy on us. You take away the



sin of the world; re - ceive our prayer. You sit at the right hand of



God the Father; have mercy on us. For you on-ly are holy;



you on - ly are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Spirit,



are most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: The Lord be with you.



C: And al - so with you.

M: Let us pray.

Almighty God and Savior, you have set the final day and hour when we shall be delivered from this world of sin and death. Keep us ever watchful for the coming of your Son that we may sit with him and all your holy ones at the marriage feast in heaven; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.

BE SEATED



THE WORD

FIRST LESSON: Isaiah 65:17-25

“For behold, I create new heavens
and a new earth,
and the former things shall not be remembered
or come into mind.

¹⁸ But be glad and rejoice forever

in that which I create;
for behold, I create Jerusalem to be a joy,
and her people to be a gladness.
¹⁹ I will rejoice in Jerusalem
and be glad in my people;
no more shall be heard in it the sound of weeping
and the cry of distress.
²⁰ No more shall there be in it
an infant who lives but a few days,
or an old man who does not fill out his days,
for the young man shall die a hundred years old,
and the sinner a hundred years old shall be accursed.
²¹ They shall build houses and inhabit them;
they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.
²² They shall not build and another inhabit;
they shall not plant and another eat;
for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be,
and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands.
²³ They shall not labor in vain
or bear children for calamity,
for they shall be the offspring of the blessed of the LORD,
and their descendants with them.
²⁴ Before they call I will answer;
while they are yet speaking I will hear.
²⁵ The wolf and the lamb shall graze together;
the lion shall eat straw like the ox,
and dust shall be the serpent's food.
They shall not hurt or destroy
in all my holy mountain,"
says the LORD.

PSALM OF THE DAY: Psalm 150 The congregation will sing "Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow."

Praise God from whom all bless-ings flow;
Praise Him all crea-tures here be-low;
Praise Him a-bove, ye heav'n-ly host;
Praise Fa-ther, Son and Ho-ly Ghost.

From all that dwell be-low the skies;
Let the Cre-a-tor's praise a-rise!
Let the Re-deem-er's name be sung;
Through ev-'ry land by ev-'ry tongue.

E-ter-nal are Thy mer-cies Lord;
And Truth E-ter-nal is Thy Word;
Thy praise shall sound from shore to shore;
Till suns shall rise and set no more.

SECOND LESSON: 2 Thessalonians 2:13-3:5

¹³ But we ought always to give thanks to God for you, brothers beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the firstfruits to be saved, through sanctification by the Spirit and belief in the truth. ¹⁴ To this he called you through our gospel, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. ¹⁵ So then, brothers, stand firm and hold to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by our spoken word or by our letter.

¹⁶ Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God our Father, who loved us and gave us eternal comfort and good hope through grace, ¹⁷ comfort your hearts and establish them in every good work and word.

3 Finally, brothers, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may speed ahead and be honored, as happened among you, ² and that we may be delivered from wicked and evil men. For not all have faith. ³ But the Lord is faithful. He will establish you and guard you against the evil one. ⁴ And we have confidence in the Lord about you, that you are doing and will do the things that we command. ⁵ May the Lord direct your hearts to the love of God and to the steadfastness of Christ.

VERSE OF THE DAY (sung by the choir)

Alleluia! They are before the throne of God and serve him day and night in his temple. Alleluia! (Revelation 7:15a)

STAND

After the announcement of the Gospel, the congregation sings:



C: Glo - ry be to you, O Lord!

GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 20:27-38

²⁷ There came to him some Sadducees, those who deny that there is a resurrection, ²⁸ and they asked him a question, saying, “Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies, having a wife but no children, the man must take the widow and raise up offspring for his brother. ²⁹ Now there were seven brothers. The first took a wife, and died without children. ³⁰ And the second ³¹ and the third took her, and likewise all seven left no children and died. ³² Afterward the woman also died. ³³ In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had her as wife.”

³⁴ And Jesus said to them, “The sons of this age marry and are given in marriage, ³⁵ but those who are considered worthy to attain to that age and to the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage, ³⁶ for they cannot die anymore, because they are equal to angels and are sons of God, being sons of the resurrection. ³⁷ But that the dead are raised, even Moses showed, in the passage about the bush, where he calls the Lord the God of Abraham and the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob. ³⁸ Now he is not God of the dead, but of the living, for all live to him.”



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,**

**was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin
Mary,
and became fully human.**

**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 Scriptures.
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,
who in unity with the Father and the Son is
worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy Christian 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.**

BE SEATED

GOSPEL RESPONSE – “Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds” arr. Ruth

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Now all the vault of heaven resounds
In praise of love that still abounds,
“Christ has triumphed! He is living!”
Sing, choirs of angels, loud and clear,
Repeat their song of glory here,
“Christ has triumphed, He is living!” Alleluia!

Eternal is the gift he brings,
Therefore our heart with rapture sings,
“Christ has triumphed, He is living!”
Now still He comes to give us life,
And by His presence end our strife.
“Christ has triumphed! He is living!” Alleluia!

All creatures of our God and King,
Lift up your voice and with us sing! Alleluia!
O burning sun with golden beam,
And silver moon with softer gleam, Alleluia!
Christ has triumphed, He is living! Alleluia!

HYMN OF THE DAY: #207 “The Day is Surely Drawing Near”

Text: Bartholomäus Ringwaldt

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The Day Is Surely Drawing Near



1 The day is sure - ly draw - ing near When God's Son,
 2 A trum - pet loud shall then re - sound And all the
 3 A book is o - pened then to all, A rec - ord
 4 Then woe to those who scorned the Lord And sought but
 5 My Sav - ior paid the debt I owe And for my



the A - noint - ed, Shall with great maj - es - ty ap - pear
 earth be shak - en. Then all who in their graves are found
 tru - ly tell - ing What each has done, both great and small,
 car - nal plea - sures, Who here de - spised his pre - cious Word
 sin was smit - ten; With - in the Book of Life I know



As judge of all ap - point - ed. All mirth and
 Shall from their sleep a - wak - en And with the
 When he on earth was dwell - ing, And ev - 'ry
 And loved their earth - ly trea - sures! With shame and
 My name has now been writ - ten. I will not



laugh - ter then shall cease When flames on flames will
 liv - ing in that hour By the Al - might - y's
 heart be clear - ly seen, And all be known as
 trem - bling they will stand And at the judg - e's
 doubt, for I am free, And Sa - tan can - not



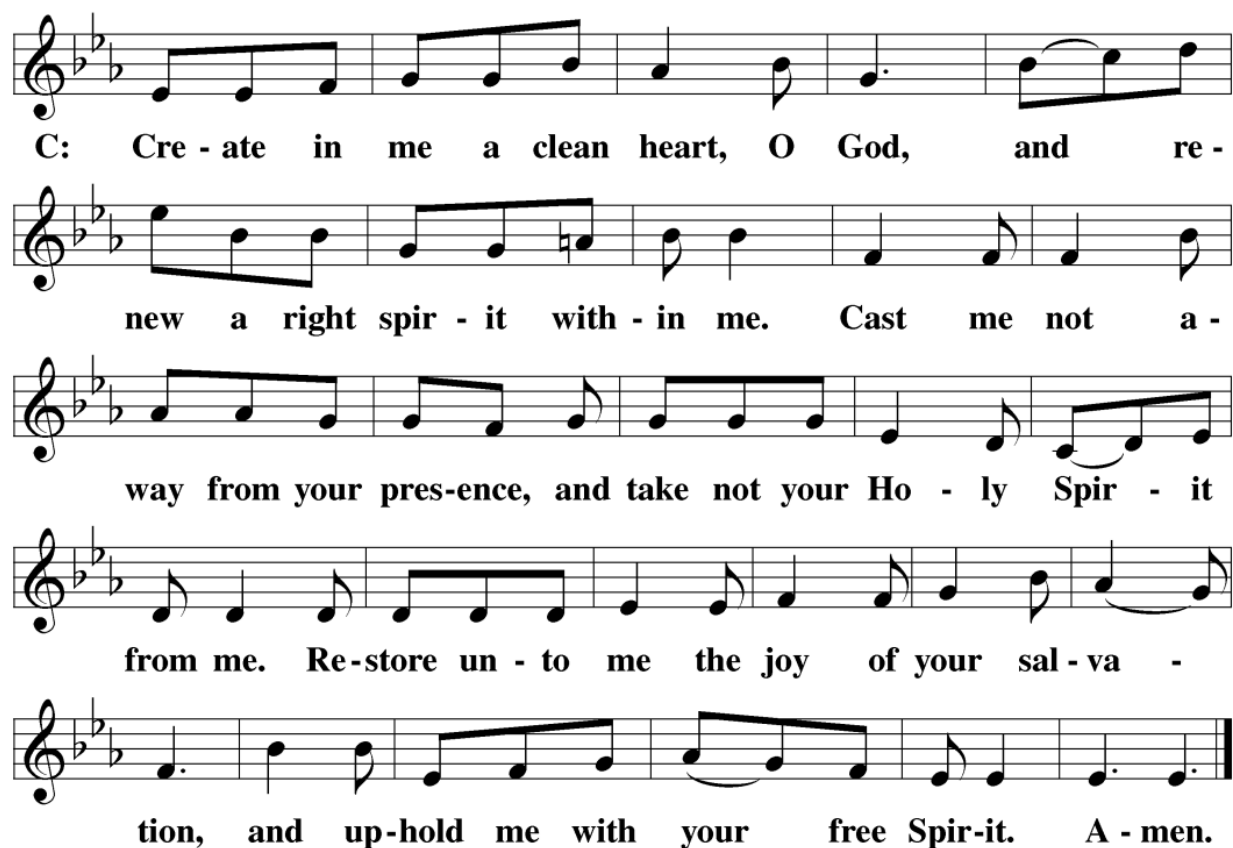
still in - crease, As Scrip - ture tru - ly teach - es.
 bound - less pow'r Be changed at his com - mand - ing.
 they have been In thoughts and words and ac - tions.
 stern com - mand To Sa - tan be de - liv - ered.
 threat - en me; There is no con - dem - na - tion!

6 O Jesus Christ, do not delay,
 But hasten our salvation;
 We often tremble on our way
 In fear and tribulation.
 Your saints are waiting patiently;
 Come soon, Redeemer; make us free
 From ev'ry evil. Amen.

SERMON

STAND

PSALM 51 RESPONSE (page 20)



C: Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
way from your pres-ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re-store un - to me the joy of your sal - va -
tion, and up-hold me with your free Spir-it. A - men.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

FOR SAINTS TRIUMPHANT SUNDAY

M: Lord of eternity and King of saints, all the heavens adore you.
Saints and angels sing before you.

C: We too join them to praise your majesty.

M: You clothe us with garments of splendor. You bless us with
grace and mercy in this life and eternal glory forever. What
undeserved love you show us!

C: We thank you, Lord, that you have made us your saints.

M: Encourage us by your gracious promises. Forgive our failures to
live as you desire. Strengthen the faith of all who are weak and
wandering.

C: Give us power to live as your faithful people.

M: Your saints will triumph forever in new heavens and a new earth. The sound of weeping and crying will be heard no more. We anticipate with joy an eternity of perfect fellowship with you.

C: Be with us as we work and witness for Christ, so that many more people can join us before your throne.

RESPONSIVE READING: SAINTS TRIUMPHANT

On this Sunday, we commemorate with the Word of God the members and friends of St. Peter's who died with the sign of faith since the Last Saints Triumphant Sunday.

M: I am resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies;

C: And whoever lives and believes in me will never die. (John 11:25-26)

Raymond Douglas (94) December 27, 2021

M: Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God.

C: Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. (Colossians 3:1-2)

Mary Marlow (83) February 12, 2022

M: I know that my Redeemer lives, and that in the end he will stand upon the earth.

C: And after my skin has been destroyed, yet in my flesh I will see God. (Job 19:25-26)

Steven Ash (71) April 28, 2022

M: I tell you the truth, whoever hears my word and believes in him who sent me has eternal life and will not be condemned;

C: He has crossed over from death to life. (John 5:24)

Jacqueline Selle (101) April 30, 2022

M: I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.

C: Now there is in store for me the crown of righteousness. (2 Timothy 4:7-8)

Mildred Trafidlo (95) June 18, 2022

M: Be faithful, even to the point of death.

C: And I will give you the crown of life. (Revelation 2:10)

Soren Pederson (78) September 5, 2022

M: In that day they will say, "Surely this is our God;

C: We trusted in him, and he saved us." (Isaiah 25:9)

Don Schroeder, Sr. (97) November 10, 2022

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

M: Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

Silent prayer.

M: Lord of life, the day is coming when you will come down from heaven with the voice of the archangel and the trumpet call of God. On that glorious day, the saints triumphant will rise in bright array, clothed in your perfect righteousness.

C: Give us strength until that day when we will share fully in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

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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.

BE SEATED

Please use this time for personal preparation or meditation before the Lord's Supper. A form to assist you is on page 156 in the front part of the hymnal.

NOTE: *Please be prepared to receive the host in your outstretched hand, rather than in your mouth.*

STAND

THE SACRAMENT (Page 21)

PREFACE

M: The Lord be with you.



C: And al - so with you.

M: Lift up your hearts.



C: We lift them up un - to the Lord.

M: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.



C: It is good and right so to do.

M: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who preserves his Church to the end of time when he will come again as king to judge all people and take his own to glory. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (*Sanctus*)

C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of heav - en - ly hosts:
 heav'n 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, bless - ed is he, bless - ed is he who
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san -
 na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my (+) body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is the new testament in my (+) blood, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

M: The peace (+) of the Lord be with you always.



O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD (*Agnus Dei*)

BE SEATED

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Behold a Host, Arrayed in White

1 Be - hold a host, ar - rayed in white,
 2 De - spised and scorned, they so - journed here;
 3 O - bless - ed saints, now take your rest;

Like thou - sand snow - clad moun - tains bright;
 But now, how glo - rious they ap - pear!
 A thou - sand times you will be blessed

With palms they stand. Who is this band
 Those mar - tyrs stand, A priest - ly band,
 For keep - ing faith Firm un - to death

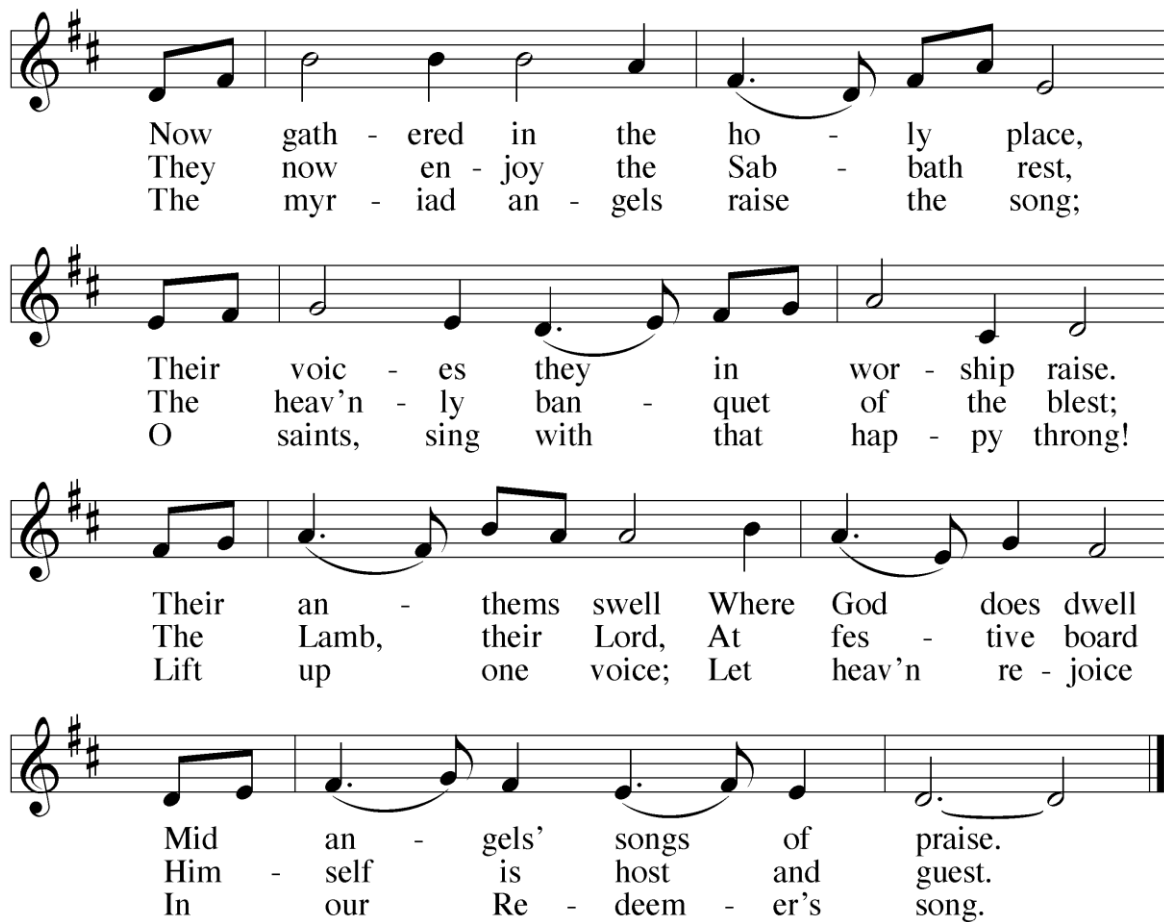
Be - fore the throne of light?
 God's throne for - ev - er near.
 And scorn - ing world - ly trust.

These are the saints of glo - rious fame,
 So oft in trou - bled days gone by,
 For now you live at home with God;

Who from the great af - flic - tion came
 In an - guish and they would weep and sigh;
 You toiled and sowed the Word a - broad.

And in the flood Of Je - sus' blood
 At home a - bove The God of love
 Re - joice and bring Your fruits and sing

Are cleansed from guilt and blame.
 For - e'er from their tears shall dry.
 Be - fore the throne of God.



Now gath - ered in the ho - ly place,
 They now en - joy the Sab - bath rest,
 The myr - iad an - gels raise the song;

Their voic - es they in wor - ship raise.
 The heav'n - ly ban - in - quet of the blest;
 O saints, sing with that hap - py throng!

Their an - thems swell Where God does dwell
 The Lamb, their Lord, At fes - tive board
 Lift up one voice; Let heav'n re - jice

Mid an - gels' songs of praise.
 Him - self is host and guest.
 In our Re - deem - er's song.

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THANKSGIVING (page 24)

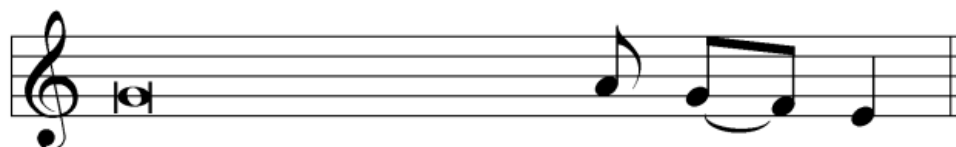
STAND

SONG OF SIMEON (*Nunc dimittis*)



C: Lord, now you let your servant de - part in peace ac-cord-ing
to your word. For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have pre-
pared be - fore the face of all people, a light to light - en the
Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of your peo-ple Is - ra - el.

M: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.



C: And his mercy endures for - ev - er.

O God the Father, source of all goodness, in your loving kindness you sent your Son to share our humanity. We thank you that through him you have given us pardon and peace in this sacrament. We also pray that you will not forsake us but will rule our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit so that we willingly serve you day after day, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.



C: A - men. A - men. A - men.

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THIS WEEK AT ST. PETER'S

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| Today | - 9:30 AM Divine Service |
| | - 10:45 AM Sunday School and Adult Bible Class |
| Wednesday | - 9:30 AM Online Bible Class |
| Thursday | - 7:00 PM Senior Choir rehearsal |
| Sunday | - 9:30 AM Divine Service |
| | - 10:45 AM Sunday School and Adult Bible Class |
| | - 3:00 PM Huron Valley Lutheran High School Fall Band Concert |

Serving next week: Altar Guild (Sunday) – Lois Bude

Ushering – November 20 (Sunday): Team 2; Thanksgiving Eve: Team 3

Altar Flowers are donated to the glory of God and in loving memory of their son Logan Thomas Cording, by the Cording family.

November is our Lutheran Women's Missionary Society **Befriend a Mission Month**. Our World Mission assignment is Rev. Peter Bur, the South Sudanese Ministry Coordinator, who is located in Omaha, NE. Our Home Mission assignments are Divine Savior Lutheran Church, Liberty Hill, TX and Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church, Las Vegas, NV.

Please look at the display in the narthex. There are cards to sign and a collection plate to make a free will offering to our missionaries. We hope to send them gift cards.

CHURCH CHRISTMAS DECORATING will be held at **9:00 AM** on **Saturday, November 26**. We hope to have a good turnout so we can finish quickly.

ADVENT POINSETTIAS – Order forms are available in the narthex for poinsettias to beautify our sanctuary. The cutoff date for ordering is Friday, December 2. Please make out checks to St. Peter's. Details are on the form.

PASTORAL CARE & MERCY – Please remember with prayers, cards and visits those whose needs have been reported.

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