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A Jesus-Centered Community of Scripture, Faith, and Grace.

***Third Sunday after the Epiphany
and Member Celebration***

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WELCOME TO UNIVERSITY LUTHERAN!!!

Welcome! University Lutheran is a Jesus Centered Community of Scripture, Faith, and Grace. We thank you for choosing us to worship with. Please let us know if there is anything that we can do for you.

The Welcome and the Prelude

Invocation (please stand)

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Confession and Forgiveness

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

But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and what you have been saved from.

Most merciful God,

We confess that we are in bondage 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, nor have we 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 Jesus Christ, and by His authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all of our sins, in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Service of the Word

The Entrance Song (Remain standing)
Holy Majesty, Before You

1 Ho - ly Maj - es - ty, be - fore you We bow to wor - ship and a -
 2 God of light, ex - alt - ed, ho - ly! Your ten - der care pro - tects the
 3 Bless us, Lord, and keep us ev - er; Re - veal your face and show your

dore you! With grate - ful hearts to you we sing!
 low - ly, Leaves not your chil - dren to their fate.
 fa - vor; Up - on your peo - ple smile with peace.

Earth and heav - en tell the sto - ry Of your e - ter - nal might and
 You are gra - cious, God, our Fa - ther; Your cho - sen peo - ple still you
 Here we sing our hymns, re - joic - ing, Un - til in heav'n we shall be

glo - ry, And all your works their in - cense bring. Lo, hosts of cher - u -
 gath - er With - in your arms com - pas - sion - ate. You gave us Christ, your
 voic - ing Your praise in strains that nev - er cease; Where hosts of cher - u -

bim And count-less ser - a - phim Sing ho - san - na! Ho - ly is
 Son, Through whom your grace is won; And your Spir - it Will dwell with -
 bim And count-less ser - a - phim Sing ho - san - na! Ho - ly is

God, al - might - y God, All - mer - ci - ful and all - wise God!
 in to cleanse from sin The ones your Son has died to win.
 God, al - might - y God, All - mer - ci - ful and all - wise God!

The 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.

The Kyrie

A Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: **C** Lord, have mer - cy.
 Lord, have mer - cy:

A Chri - ste e - le - i - son: **C** Christ, have mer - cy.
 Christ, have mer - cy:

A Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: **C** Lord, have mer - cy.
 Lord, have mer - cy:

Hymn of Praise



C Glo-ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;



glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



I 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.



C Glo-ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;



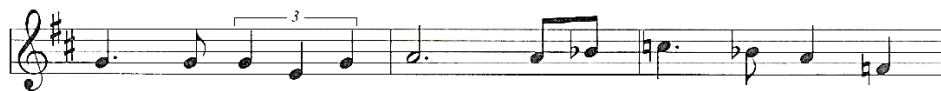
glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



II 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.

© Glo-ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;
 glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.
 I II 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.
 © Glo-ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;
 glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth,
 and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you. **And also with you!**

Let us pray. Father, through the work of Your Holy Spirit, unite us as we pray,

That together we may hear the call to follow Jesus and become the people that You have made us to be. Amen.

The Lessons

The First Reading – Jonah 3:1-5, 10

Then the word of the LORD came to Jonah the second time, saying, “Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and call out against it the message that I tell you.” So Jonah arose and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly great city, three days’ journey in breadth. Jonah began to go into the city, going a day’s journey. And he called out, “Yet forty days, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!” And the people of Nineveh believed God. They called for a fast and put on sackcloth, from the greatest of them to the least of them.

When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil way, God relented of the disaster that he had said he would do to them, and he did not do it.

The Psalm of the Day - Psalm 62 (Spoken responsively)

For God alone my soul waits in silence;

from him comes my salvation.

He alone is my rock and my salvation,

my fortress; I shall not be greatly shaken.

How long will all of you attack a man

to batter him, like a leaning wall, a tottering fence?

They only plan to thrust him down from his high position.

They take pleasure in falsehood.

They bless with their mouths,

but inwardly they curse.

For God alone, O my soul, wait in silence,

for my hope is from him.

He only is my rock and my salvation,

my fortress; I shall not be shaken.

On God rests my salvation and my glory;

my mighty rock, my refuge is God.

Trust in him at all times, O people;

pour out your heart before him;

God is a refuge for us.

Those of low estate are but a breath;

those of high estate are a delusion;

in the balances they go up;

they are together lighter than a breath.

Put no trust in extortion;

set no vain hopes on robbery;

if riches increase, set not your heart on them.

Once God has spoken;

twice have I heard this:

that power belongs to God,

and that to you, O Lord, belongs steadfast love.

**For you will render to a man
according to his work.**

The Second Reading – 1 Corinthians 7:29-35

This is what I mean, brothers: the appointed time has grown very short. From now on, let those who have wives live as though they had none, and those who mourn as though they were not mourning, and those who rejoice as though they were not rejoicing, and those who buy as though they had no goods, and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away.

I want you to be free from anxieties. The unmarried man is anxious about the things of the Lord, how to please the Lord. But the married man is anxious about worldly things, how to please his wife, and his interests are divided. And the unmarried or betrothed woman is anxious about the things of the Lord, how to be holy in body and spirit. But the married woman is anxious about worldly things, how to please her husband. I say this for your own benefit, not to lay any restraint upon you, but to promote good order and to secure your undivided devotion to the Lord.

The Gospel Verse



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
Al - le - lu - ia. You have the words of e - ter - nal life.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The Holy Gospel

The Holy Gospel According to St. Mark, the 1st Chapter
Glory to You, O Lord!

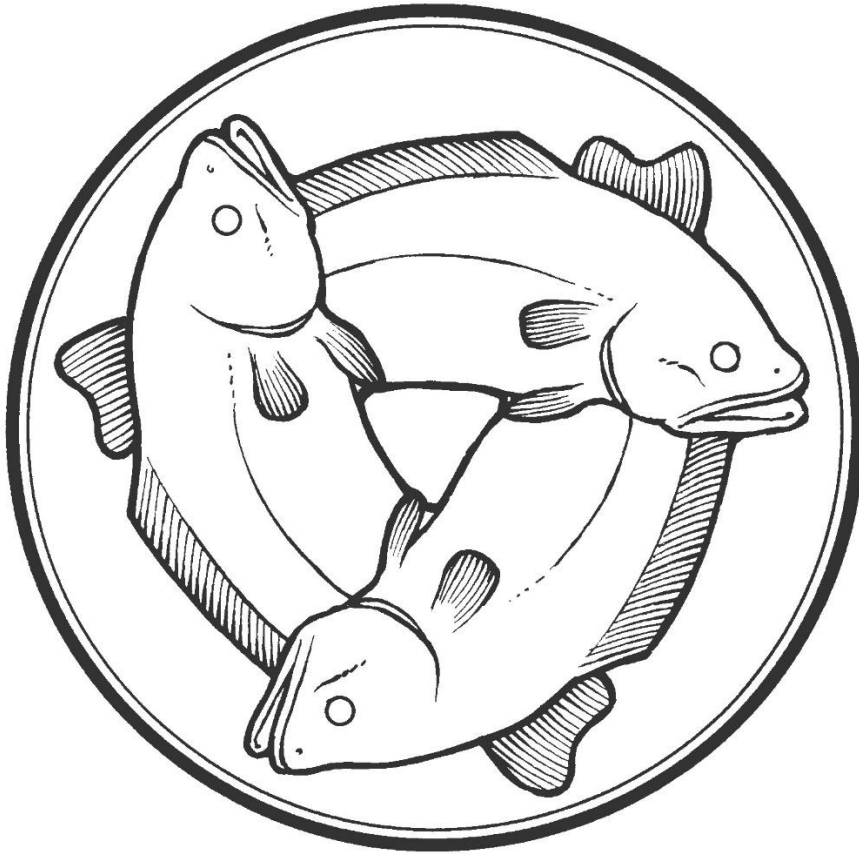
Now after John was arrested, Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel.”

Passing alongside the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and Andrew the brother of Simon casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you become fishers of men.” And immediately they left their nets and

followed him. And going on a little farther, he saw James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, who were in their boat mending the nets. And immediately he called them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired servants and followed him.

This is the Gospel of the Lord!

Praise to You, O Christ!



The Sermon

The Hymn of the Day (Please rise)

The Lord, My God, Be Praised

1 The Lord, my God, be praised, My light, my life from heav - en;
 2 The Lord, my God, be praised, My trust, my life from heav - en,
 3 The Lord, my God, be praised, My hope, my life from heav - en,
 Δ 4 The Lord, my God, be praised, My God, the ev - er - liv - ing,

My mak - er, who to me Has soul and bod - y giv - en;
 The Fa - ther's own dear Son, Whose life for me was giv - en,
 The Spir - it, whom the Son In love to me has giv - en.
 To whom the heav'n - ly host Their laud and praise are giv - ing.

My Fa - ther, who will shield And keep me day by day
 Who for my sin a - toned With His most pre - cious blood
 His grace re - vives my heart And gives my spir - it pow'r,
 The Lord, my God, be praised, In whose great name I boast,

And make each mo - ment yield New bless - ings on my way.
 And gives to me by faith The high - est heav'n - ly good.
 Help, com - fort, and sup - port In sor - row's gloom - y hour.
 God Fa - ther, God the Son, And God the Ho - ly Ghost.

New Member Installation

At this time we ask our newest members to come forward and stand around the altar.

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ of University Lutheran. These are the newest members of our community. They desire our prayers as they begin to walk with us as brothers and sisters through the grace of God given to us for the sake of Jesus Christ.

New brothers and sisters, will you promise today to walk with us as brothers and sisters? Will you confess the same faith with us? Will you center your life around Jesus? Will you live in community with us? Will you study the Scriptures? Will you engage the faith God has given you, trusting in Him? Will you recognize that all that you have, especially the forgiveness of sins which makes you a part of God's kingdom, is a gift of grace that you receive gratefully? **With the help of God, I will.**

Members of University Lutheran, will you promise today to walk as brothers and sisters with these new members? Will you center your life around Jesus and help them to do the same? Will you live in community with them? Will you study the Scriptures with them? Will you engage the faith with them, trusting in God? Will you support, defend, and befriend them? **With the help of God, we will.**

Hear these words from the thirteenth chapter of Second Corinthians as a blessing upon your membership here. "Finally, rejoice. Aim for restoration, comfort one another, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **Go in peace! Serve the Lord!**

welcome!

Hymn

Brothers and Sisters in Christ



1 Sing Al - le - lu - ia! A - men! Let your prayers and your
 2 Man walked a - lone and in need, With-out faith, hope or
 3 Lord, teach us how to pro - claim All Your good-ness, Your



prais - es as - cend. Lift up your voic - es and
 prom - ise or creed; Wan - der - ing aim - less - ly
 love and Your name! Lord, teach us how to for -



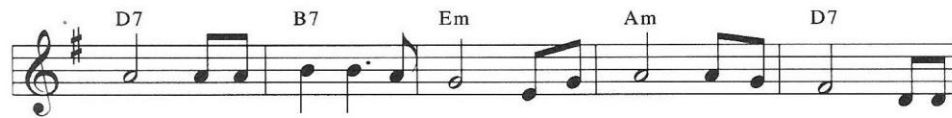
sing to our Lord God, our Sav - ior and King!
 lost un - a - ware of the stag - ger - ing cost;
 give, and in love, teach us Lord, how to live.



 } Here brought to - geth - er by grace, We are
 That God in His mer - cy would save All His
 } Rais - ing our voic - es in song, Help us



gath - ered as friends in this place.
 peo - ple from death and the grave. And as - sem - bled as
 tell all the world we be - long.



one, in the name of the Son, Lift - ing hearts, lift - ing hands, Cel - e -

G Am7 Bm7 C D7 B7

brat-ing as friends, And pro-claim-ing the Lord, All our prais-es af-

Em Am D7 G

ford. We are broth-ers and sis-ters in Christ.

The Gathering of Gifts and Prayers

Please share your requests for communal prayer with us and consider sharing in the Christian discipline of giving tithes and offerings.

Let us know that you were here this week and we'll donate \$1 to the FSU Food for Thought Food Pantry that feeds students with food insecurities. If it's your first time filling one out, we'll bump that donation up to \$5!

<http://universitylutheranchurch.org/connectioncard/>



Offertory Prayer

Let us pray. Uniting Father,

As grains of wheat are gathered together to make the loaves that feed many, let the gifts that we offer here be gathered and united in Your purpose that many may be fed with the Bread of eternal life. Amen.

The Offertory



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



bless - ing. 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 dreams of all; u - nite them with the prayers we



of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence, Lord,



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



The Prayers of the Church

Heavenly Father, we ask that You would hear us now as we pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs. Lord in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Bring us together as a community of people who are united together in Jesus and what He has done for us and for the world. Lord in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Use us as You used Jonah to proclaim repentance and the forgiveness of sin, so that those who were destined to be overthrown would be saved. Lord in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Rather than chasing after the favor of humans, whether they be of low or high degree, lead us instead wait in silence for You alone. Lord in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Let us not divide our interests between You and our vocations, but rather, let us receive our vocations from You, serving You as we love our husbands, wives, and others. Lord in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Give us trusting hearts to respond to You as Simon, Andrew, James and John did, recognizing the calling that You place upon our lives. Lord in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

other intercessions are offered here

Everyone whom You have baptized, You have also called. Make our vocations and calling clear to us, and where possible, call some of us in this room into the ministries of pastor, church worker, and lay leader, for the sake of the Church and of the world. Lord in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all those for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord. **Amen.**

The Sharing of the Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always!
And also with you.

The Service of the Sacrament of the Altar

The 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 him thanks and praise.

It is indeed good, right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to You, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord. Sharing our life, He lived among us to reveal Your glory and love that our darkness should give way to His own brilliant light. And so, 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 - er and might, heav - en and earth are full of your
glo - ry. 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. Ho -
san - na in the high - est.

The Words of Institution

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night in which He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said, "Take, and eat, this is My Body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them saying, "Drink of it, all of you, this cup is the new testament in My Blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pour out Your Holy Spirit upon us, Lord,

That by this Holy Communion we may know the unity we share in the Body of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

The 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.

The Agnus Dei (The Lamb of God)



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



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mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the

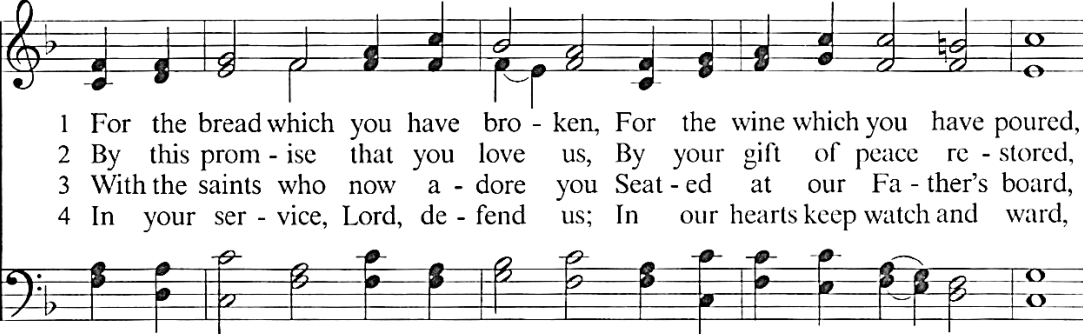


sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

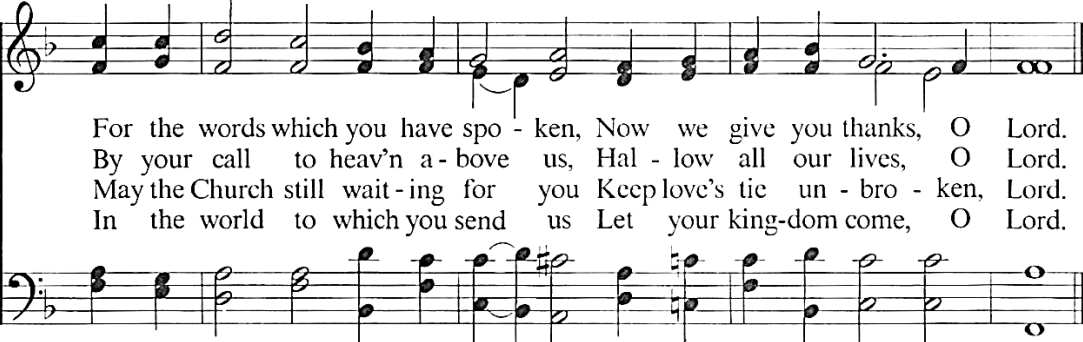
Distribution

(This church believes that in the mystery of Holy Communion, the Body and Blood of Jesus are truly found in, with, and under the bread and wine for the forgiveness of sin. We consider the act of partaking in this holy meal as an active affirmation the beliefs of this church within the Body of Christ. If you are not ready for such commitments, we ask that you refrain from partaking and come forward for a blessing instead.)*

Communion Hymn – For the Bread Which You Have Broken



1 For the bread which you have bro - ken, For the wine which you have poured,
2 By this prom - ise that you love us, By your gift of peace re - stored,
3 With the saints who now a - dore you Seat - ed at our Fa - ther's board,
4 In your ser - vice, Lord, de - fend us; In our hearts keep watch and ward,



For the words which you have spo - ken, Now we give you thanks, O Lord.
By your call to heav'n a - bove us, Hal - low all our lives, O Lord.
May the Church still wait - ing for you Keep love's tie un - bro - ken, Lord.
In the world to which you send us Let your king - dom come, O Lord.

* Non-alcoholic communion cups are available in the middle of the communion cup tray for those unable to consume alcohol because of medical infirmity or vow of abstinence.

Thy Body, Given For Me, O Savior

1 Thy bod - y, giv'n for me, O Sav - ior, Thy blood which Thou for
 2 With Thee, Lord, I am now u - nit - ed; I live in Thee and
 3 Who can con-demn me now? For sure - ly The Lord is nigh, who
 4 Though death may threat-en with dis - as - ter, It can - not rob me
 5 My heart has now be-come Thy dwell-ing, O bless - ed, ho - ly

me didst shed, These are my life and strength for - ev - er,
 Thou in me. No sor - row fills my soul, de - light - ed
 jus - ti - fies. No hell I fear, and thus se - cure - ly
 of my cheer; For He who is of death the mas - ter,
 Trin - i - ty. With an - gels I, Thy prais - es tell - ing,

Refrain

By them my hun - gry soul is fed.
 It finds its on - ly joy in Thee.
 With Je - sus I to heav - en rise. Lord, may Thy
 With aid and com - fort e'er is near.
 Shall live in joy e - ter - nal - ly.

bod - y and Thy blood Be for my soul the high - est good!

O Living Bread from Heaven

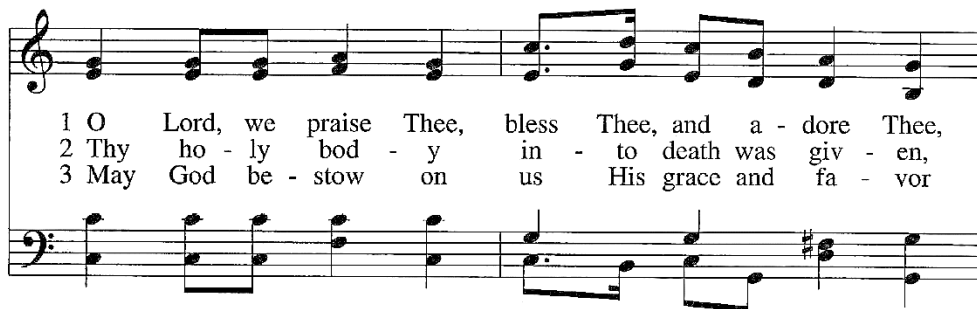
1 O liv - ing Bread from heav - en, How well you feed your guest!
2 My Lord, you here have led me With - in your ho - liest place,
3 You gave me all I want - ed; This food can death de - stroy.
4 Lord, grant me then, thus strength - ened With heav'n - ly food, while here

The gifts that you have giv - en Have filled my heart with rest.
And here your - self have fed me With trea - sures of your grace;
And you have free - ly grant - ed The cup of end - less joy.
My course on earth is length - ened, To serve with ho - ly fear.

Oh, won - drous food of bless - ing, Oh, cup that heals our woes!
For you have free - ly giv - en What earth could nev - er buy,
My Lord, I do not mer - it The fa - vor you have shown,
And when you call my spir - it To leave this world be - low,

My heart, this gift pos - sess - ing, With prais - es o - ver - flows!
The bread of life from heav - en, That now I shall not die.
And all my soul and spir - it Bow down be - fore your throne.
I en - ter, through your mer - it, Where joys un - min - gled flow.

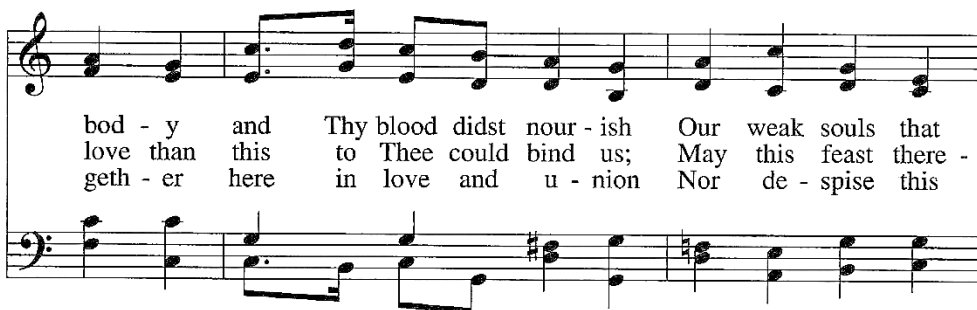
O Lord, We Praise Thee



1 O Lord, we praise Thee, bless Thee, and a - dore Thee,
2 Thy ho - ly bod - y in - to death was giv - en,
3 May God be - stow on us His grace and fa - vor



In thanks - giv - ing bow be - fore Thee. Thou with Thy
Life to win for us in heav - en. No great - er
That we fol - low Christ our Sav - ior And live to -



bod - y and Thy blood didst nour - ish Our weak souls that
love than this to Thee could bind us; May this feast there -
geth - er here in love and u - nion Nor de - spise this



they may flour - ish: O Lord, have mer - cy!
of re - mind us! O Lord, have mer - cy!
blest Com - mu - nion! O Lord, have mer - cy!

May Thy bod - y, Lord, born of Mar - y, That our
 Lord, Thy kind - ness did so con - strain Thee That Thy
 Let not Thy good Spir - it for - sake us; Grant that

sins and sor - rows did car - ry, And Thy blood for us plead
 blood should bless and sus - tain me. All our debt Thou hast paid;
 heav'n - ly - mind - ed He make us; Give Thy Church, Lord, to see

In all tri - al, fear, and need: O Lord, have mer - cy!
 Peace with God once more is made: O Lord, have mer - cy!
 Days of peace and u - ni - ty: O Lord, have mer - cy!

The Post Communion Blessing

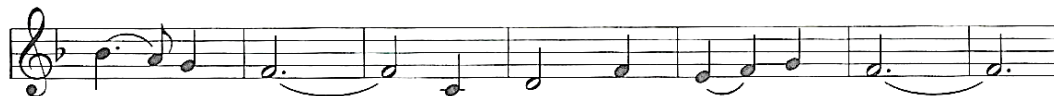
Canticle



Thank - ful hearts and voi - es raise; tell ev - 'ry -



one what God has done. Let all who seek the



Lord re - joice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.



Send us with your prom - is - es, O God,



and lead us forth in joy with shouts



of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia.

The Blessing

The Lord bless you, and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

Amen.

Announcements and the Salutation

Go in peace, serve the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

Announcements

- **Wednesday Student Night** – Join us this Wednesday at 6:30pm as we talk about Saul’s conversion.
- **New Member Celebration** – Join us for “dessert first” today as we celebrate our new members.
- **Two Challenges this Focus Year** – As a part of our “A Jesus Centered Community” focus year, we are asking everyone to join us in two challenges: a.) a reading challenge to read two chapters of the Gospel accounts every week with us, b.) an action challenge to take some of Jesus’ words and live them out in your life – the “Red Letter Challenge”

Worship Assistants

Sunday	Reader	Communion Set Up	Communion Assistant	Usher	Snacks
Today	Bob			Cricket	
Jan 28	Blake				
Feb 4					

Red Letter Challenge this week – Because You Say So, I Will

This week, take Jesus’ words from John 14:15, “If you love Me, you will obey My commands” to heart. We don’t always “want” to do what God wants us to do, but we still do it because we love Him. This week put a sticky note up that says “BYSSIW” (Because You say so, I will) and fill in what you will do even if you don’t feel like it.

Together with Jesus – Matthew Chapters 5 and 6

This week we read Matthew, chapters 5 and 6 together. Watch out, it’s a little longer this week. Don’t forget that we have resources like the “Together with Jesus” sheets by the bulletins, Sunday morning Bible study, and the “Together with Jesus” podcast (search University Lutheran Tallahassee).