

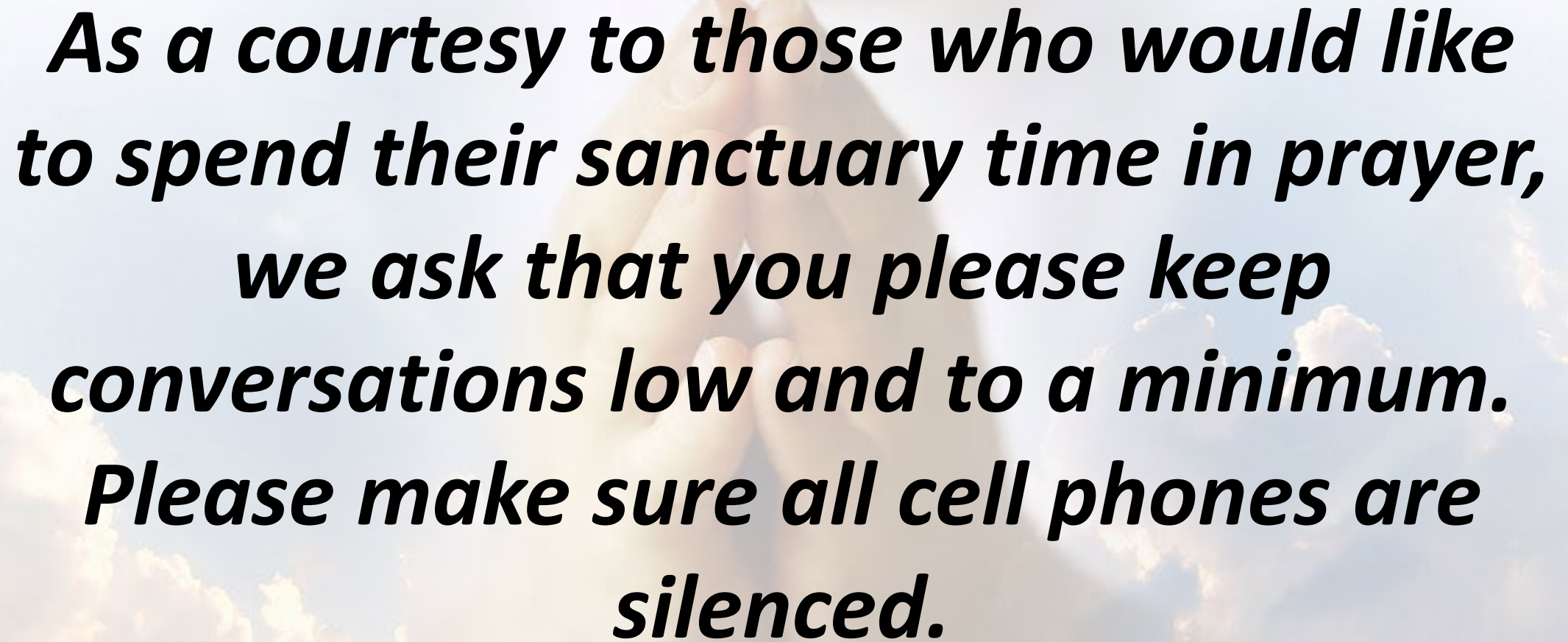
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to spend their sanctuary time in prayer,
we ask that you please keep
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silenced.***

Thank You.

***Our mission is to share the Good
News of grace and love with all
through worship, service, and
fellowship.***



***"Our Vision:
Joy is a spiritual community sharing
the love of Christ in a challenging
world".***

Hymns for Today's Service that are in the Red Hymnal:

- Gathering:** ELW # 305- When Jesus Came to Jordan
- Hymn Praise:** ELW Page 140-This is the Feast
- Gospel Acc:** ELW Page 142-Alleluia
- Hymn Day:** ELW # 817-You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore
- Sanctus:** ELW Page 144 - Holy, Holy, Holy
- Lamb:** ELW Page 146 - Lamb of God
- Distribution:** ELW # 779-Amazing Grace
ELW # 789-Savior, Like a Shepherd, Lead Us
ELW # 461-All Who Hunger Gather Gladly
ELW # 469-By Your Hand You Feed Your People



***Celebrating the Baptism of Our Lord
Anniversary of JOY Lutheran Church
January 12, 2025***

PRELUDE:

***“How Great Thou Art/Majesty”- JOY
Hand Bell Choir***



CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God,
our creator, our protector,
our wellspring of life.

C Amen.

P Trusting that God receives our words and the
meditations of our hearts, let us confess our
sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.




- P** Merciful God,
- C** **you speak blessing and compassion into the world.**

**Forgive us for the ways we act
with judgment, cruelty, or indifference.
We ignore the needs of our neighbors;
we resist your call to oppose injustice;
we give in to scarcity and fear;**



**© we assume the worst about one another.
Cleanse us from our faults
and release us from their grasp.
Show us your lovingkindness.
Restore our hearts and repair your world,
that we may live in Christ's ways.
Amen.**



P God proclaims these words of assurance:
“Do not fear, for I have redeemed you.
I have called you by name. You are mine.”
In  Christ, you are forgiven.
In the Spirit, you are made free.
Refreshed by the waters of mercy,
live anew as beloved children of God.

C **AMEN.**

GATHERING HYMN: *ELW # 305- "When Jesus Came to Jordan"*

**1 When Jesus came to Jordan
to be baptized by John,
he did not come for pardon
but as the Sinless One.
He came to share repentance
with all who mourn their sins,
to speak the vital sentence
with which good news begins.**



**2 He came to share temptation,
our utmost woe and loss,
for us and our salvation
to die upon the cross.
So when the dove descended
on him, the Son of Man,
the hidden years had ended,
the age of grace began.**



**3 Come, Holy Spirit, aid us
to keep the vows we make;
this very day invade us,
and ev'ry bondage break.
Come, give our lives direction,
the gift we covet most:
to share the resurrection
that leads to Pentecost.**

GREETING

P The love of God poured into our hearts, the saving grace of Jesus Christ, and the abundant life of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C **And also with you.**

Refrain

This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**1 Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,
whose blood set us free to be people of God.**



Refrain

**This is the feast of victory for our God.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**2 Power, riches, wisdom and strength,
and honor, blessing, and glory are his.**



Refrain

This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

- 3 Sing with all the people of God,
and join in the hymn of all creation:
Blessing, honor, glory, and might
be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.**



Refrain

This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**4 For the Lamb who was slain has begun
his reign. Alleluia.**

Refrain


This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us Pray.

C **Almighty God, you anointed Jesus at his baptism with the Holy Spirit and revealed him as your beloved Son. Keep all who are born of water and the Spirit faithful in your service, that we may rejoice to be called children of God, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

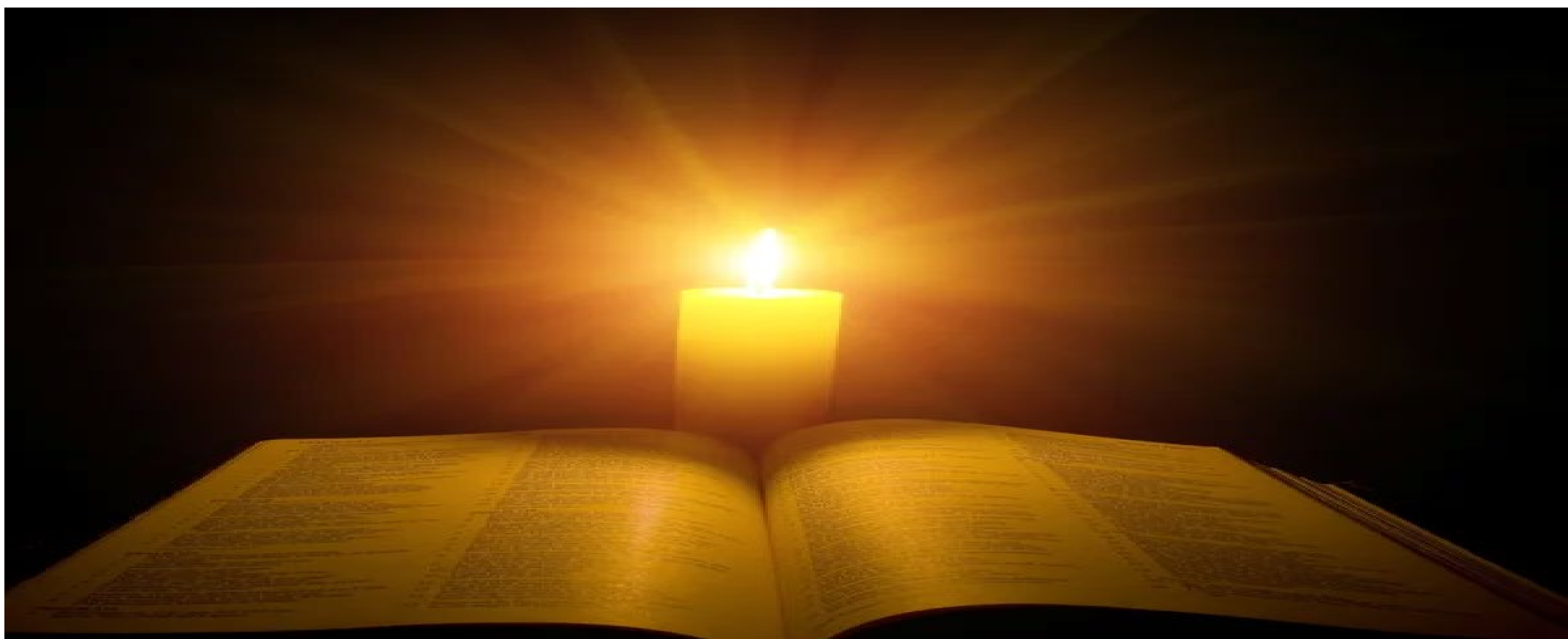


*Everyone who is called by My name,
Whom I have created for My glory;
I have formed him,
yes, I have made him.*

Isaiah 43:7

Isaiah 43:1-7

***When you pass
through the
waters, do not
fear, for I am
with you.***



P The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Psalm: *Psalm 29*

The voice of the LORD is upon the waters. (Ps. 29:3)

¹ Ascribe to the LORD, you gods,
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

² **Ascribe to the LORD the glory due God's
name;
worship the LORD in the beauty
of holiness.**



³ The voice of the LORD is upon the waters;
the God of | glory thunders;
the LORD is upon the | mighty waters.

⁴ **The voice of the LORD is a pow- | erful voice;**
the voice of the LORD is a | voice of
splendor. R

The voice of the LORD is upon the waters.



5 The voice of the LORD breaks the | cedar
trees;

the LORD breaks the ce- | dars of Lebanon;

6 **the LORD makes Lebanon skip | like a calf,
and Mount Hermon like a | young
wild ox.**

7 The voice | of the LORD
bursts forth in | lightning flashes.



8 The voice of the LORD | shakes the wilderness;
the LORD shakes the wilder- | ness of Kadesh. **R**

The voice of the LORD is upon the waters.

9 The voice of the LORD makes the oak trees writhe and strips the | forests bare.
And in the temple of the LORD all are | crying, “Glory!”



10 **The LORD sits enthroned a- | bove the
flood;
the LORD sits enthroned as king
for- | evermore.**

11 **O LORD, give strength | to your people;
give them, O LORD, the bless- | ings
of peace. **R****

The voice of the LORD is upon the waters.

Acts 8:14-17

*Prayer and
laying on of
hands for the
Holy Spirit.*



*Peter and John
laid their hands on them,
and they received the Holy Spirit.*



P The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

SPECIAL MUSIC

JOY Choir



Come to the Water

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:– *“Alleluia”-ELW Page 142*

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life.

Alleluia. Alleluia.

**Ⓟ The Holy Gospel
according to**

**Luke 3:15-17,
21-22**

**Ⓒ Glory to
you O Lord.
*(Gospel is Read)***





P : THE GOSPEL OF THE LORD

C : PRAISE TO YOU, O CHRIST.

***TODAY'S
MESSAGE
GIVEN BY***

***BISHOP
SUÁREZ***



SILENCE FOR REFLECTION



Hymn of the Day: ELW # 817 "You Have Come to the Lakeshore"

- 1 You have come down to the lakeshore seeking neither the wise nor the wealthy, but only asking for me to follow.**



Refrain

**Sweet Lord, you have looked into my
eyes;
kindly smiling, you've called out my
name.**

**On the sand I have abandoned my small
boat;
now with you, I will seek other seas.**



**2 You know full well what I have, Lord:
neither treasure nor weapons for
conquest,
just these my fish nets and will for
working.**



Refrain

**Sweet Lord, you have looked into my
eyes;**

**kindly smiling, you've called out my
name.**

**On the sand I have abandoned my small
boat;**

now with you, I will seek other seas.



**3 You need my hands, my exhaustion,
working love for the rest of the weary--
a love that's willing to go on loving.**



Refrain

**Sweet Lord, you have looked into my
eyes;**

**kindly smiling, you've called out my
name.**

**On the sand I have abandoned my small
boat;**

now with you, I will seek other seas.



**4 You who have fished other waters;
you, the longing of souls that are
yearning:
O loving Friend, you have come to call
me.**



Refrain

**Sweet Lord, you have looked into my
eyes;**

**kindly smiling, you've called out my
name.**

**On the sand I have abandoned my small
boat;**

now with you, I will seek other seas.

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 the PEOPLE



Passing of the Peace

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

(Share the sign of peace in the manner you feel most comfortable.)





OFFERTORY

AVE MARIA

Paul Hyatt

CONGREGATIONAL OFFERTORY: *ACS # 956- "Born, Reborn"*

Refrain

**Born, reborn! Born, reborn! Formed, reformed!
Souls with gladness now adorned!
Born, reborn! Born, reborn! Formed, reformed!
Praise our God forevermore!**

**1 Drown us. (Drown us.) Raise us. (Raise us.)
Mark us. (Mark us.) Claim us! (Claim us!)**



Refrain

**Born, reborn! Born, reborn! Formed, reformed!
Souls with gladness now adorned!
Born, reborn! Born, reborn! Formed, reformed!
Praise our God forevermore!**

**2 Name us. (Name us.) Heal us. (Heal us.)
Wash us. (Wash us.) Seal us! (Seal us!)**



Refrain

Born, reborn! Born, reborn! Formed, reformed!

Souls with gladness now adorned!

Born, reborn! Born, reborn! Formed, reformed!

Praise our God forevermore!

OFFERTORY PRAYER

A God of grace, your love reaches to the heavens,
and your abundance to the depths of the seas.

Bless what we offer to your service:
our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts.
Let us overflow with gratitude and
generosity, now and always.

C Amen.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** **And also with you.**
- P** Lift up your hearts.
- C** **We lift them to the Lord.**
- P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C** **It is right to give our thanks and
praise.**

**“It is indeed
right....”**



SANCTUS: “HOLY, HOLY, HOLY” – ELW Page 144

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of pow’r and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**



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THE LORD'S PRAYER

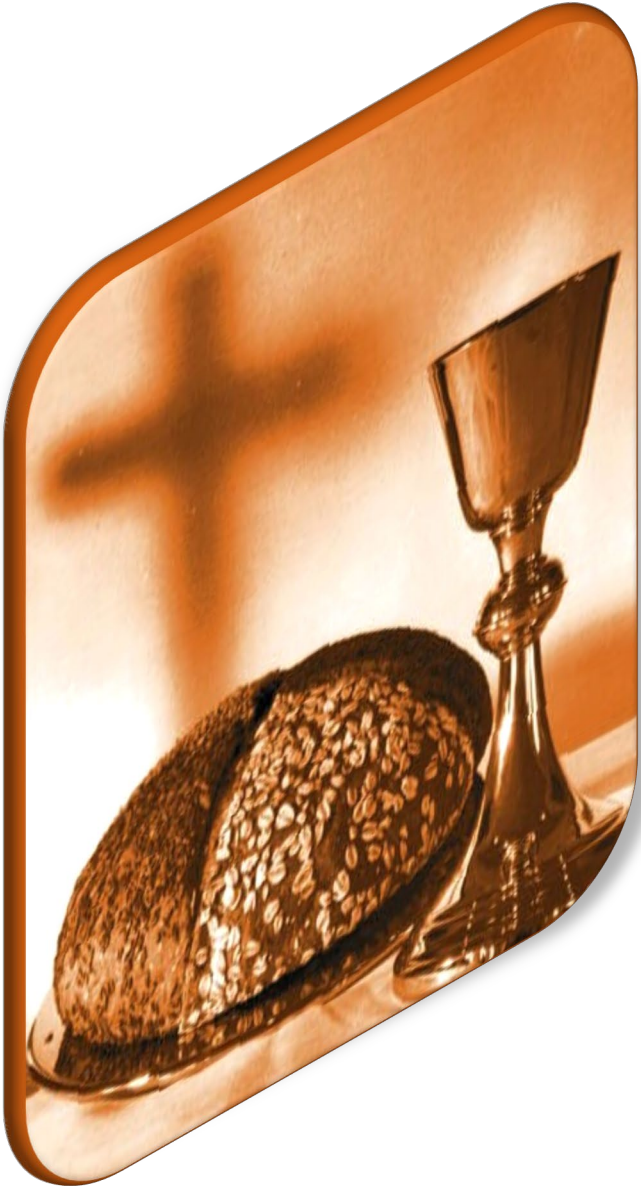
**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.**

**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**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

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- A photograph of a communion tray, likely made of copper or brass, featuring a round, textured bread roll and a chalice filled with red liquid, possibly grape juice. The tray is set against a warm, golden background.
- P** The joy of the Lord is our strength.
Come, eat this meal of gladness.
- C** AMEN.

*ALL baptized Christians are welcome to the Lord's Table
for the sacrament.*

Please proceed as directed by the ushers.

We will observe Communion at the Altar Rail today.

*Gluten-free wafers (distributed by Assistant Minister) and grape juice (Clear juice in
center of tray) are also offered, if desired.*

**Lamb of God,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God,
you take away the sins of the world,
grant us peace.**

DISTRIBUTION HYMN: *ELW # 779- "Amazing Grace"*

**1 Amazing grace! how sweet the sound
that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found;
was blind, but now I see.**



**2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
and grace my fears relieved;
how precious did that grace appear
the hour I first believed!**



**3 Through many dangers, toils, and snares
I have already come;
'tis grace has brought me safe thus far,
and grace will lead me home.**



**4 The Lord has promised good to me;
his word my hope secures;
he will my shield and portion be
as long as life endures.**



**5 When we've been there ten thousand
years,
bright shining as the sun,
we've no less days to sing God's praise
than when we'd first begun.**

ELW # 789- "Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us"

**1 Savior, like a shepherd lead us;
much we need your tender care.
In your pleasant pastures feed us,
for our use your fold prepare.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
you have bought us; we are yours.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
you have bought us; we are yours.**



**2 We are yours; in love befriend us,
be the guardian of our way;
keep your flock, from sin defend us,
seek us when we go astray.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
hear us children when we pray.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
hear us children when we pray.**



**3 You have promised to receive us,
poor and sinful though we be;
you have mercy to relieve us,
grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
early let us turn to you.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
early let us turn to you.**



**4 Early let us seek your favor,
early let us do your will;
blessed Lord and only Savior,
with your love our spirits fill.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
you have loved us, love us still.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
you have loved us, love us still.**

ELW # 461-"All Who Hunger

**1 All who hunger gather gladly;
holy manna is our bread.
Come from wilderness and wand'ring.
Here in truth we will be fed.
You that yearn for days of fullness,
all around us is our food.
Taste and see the grace eternal.
Taste and see that God is good.**



**2 All who hunger, never strangers;
seeker, be a welcome guest.
Come from restlessness and roaming.
Here in joy we keep the feast.
We that once were lost and scattered
in communion's love have stood.
Taste and see the grace eternal.
Taste and see that God is good.**



**3 All who hunger, sing together,
Jesus Christ is living bread.
Come from loneliness and longing.
Here in peace we have been fed.
Blest are those who from this table
live their days in gratitude.
Taste and see the grace eternal.
Taste and see that God is good.**

ELW # 469- "By Your Hand You Feed Your People"

**1 By your hand you feed your people,
food of angels, heaven's bread.
For these gifts we did not labor,
by your grace have we been fed:**



Refrain

**Christ's own body, blessed and broken,
cup o'er flowing, life outpoured,
given as a living token
of your world redeemed, restored.**



**2 In this meal we taste your sweetness,
bread for hunger, wine of peace.
Holy word and holy wisdom
satisfy our deepest needs.**



Refrain

**Christ's own body, blessed and broken,
cup o'er flowing, life outpoured,
given as a living token
of your world redeemed, restored.**



**3 Send us now with faith and courage
to the hungry, lost, bereaved.
In our living and our dying,
we become what we receive:**



Refrain

**Christ's own body, blessed and broken,
cup o'er flowing, life outpoured,
given as a living token
of your world redeemed, restored.**

COMMUNION BLESSING: *(Please Stand)*

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace.

C Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

- A** Nourishing God,
at this table you have refreshed us
with holy gifts of food and drink.
Strengthen us for service,
and send us out to embody your good news
of liberation and healing for the sake of the
world. In the name of Christ we pray,
- C** Amen.

BLESSING:

P The Spirit of the triune God
✝ bless you with joy,
anoint you with compassion,
and send you in love.

C Amen

SENDING HYMN: *CCLI # 2945945- "Go Make a Difference"*

Chorus

Go make a diff'ence

We can make a diff'ence

Go make a diff'ence in the world

Go make a diff'ence

We can make a diff'ence

Go make a diff'ence in the world



Verse 1

We are the salt of the earth

Called to let the people see

The love of God in you and me

We are the light of the world

Not to be hidden but be seen

Go make a diff'rence in the world



Chorus

Go make a diff'rence

We can make a diff'rence

Go make a diff'rence in the world

Go make a diff'rence

We can make a diff'rence

Go make a diff'rence in the world



Verse 2

We are the hands of Christ

Reaching out to those in need

The face of God for all to see

We are the spirit of hope

We are the voice of peace

Go make a diff'rence in the world



Chorus

Go make a diff'rence

We can make a diff'rence

Go make a diff'rence in the world

Go make a diff'rence

We can make a diff'rence

Go make a diff'rence in the world



Verse 3

So let your love shine on

Let it shine for all to see

Go make a diff'rence in the world

And the Spirit of Christ

Will be with us as we go

Go make a diff'rence in the world



Chorus

Go make a diff'rence

We can make a diff'rence

Go make a diff'rence in the world

Go make a diff'rence

We can make a diff'rence

Go make a diff'rence in the world



Ending:

Go make a diff'rence in the world

Go make a diff'rence in the world

SENDING:

- A** Go in peace.
Live in hope.

- C** **Thanks be to God.**

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