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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.



24th Sunday After Pentecost—November 8, 2026

HONORING ALL WHO SERVED

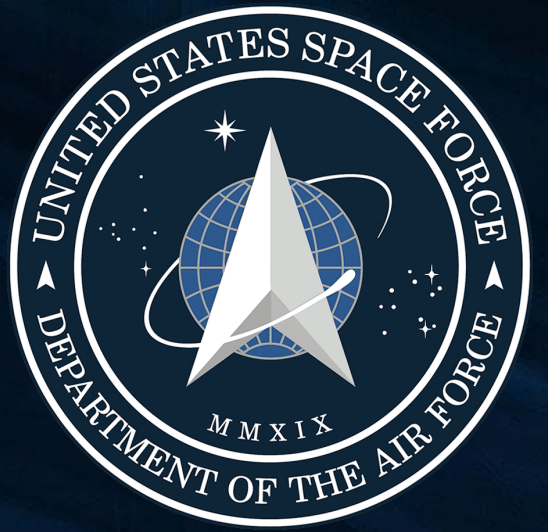












PRELUDE



“We Are Climbing Jacob’s Ladder”-arr. Tom Keesecker

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,
our dwelling place for all generations,
whose compassion never slumbers

C Amen.

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection

P Holy God,

C we confess that we have trusted in our preparation instead of your invitation.
We prioritize our piety over care for your beloved.
We trust the voice of our shame and fear, which keeps us from entering fully into relationship with you and others.

C We are not awake to the coming of your reign. Rouse us and rescue us, that we may enter into your joy. Amen.

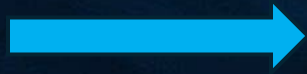
P Inherit the riches of God's grace. ✠ Jesus, the good shepherd, feeds you with his mercy. You are forgiven. Blessed are you.

C Amen.

Gathering Hymn

“Oh, Happy Day When We Shall Stand”

ELW # 441



1

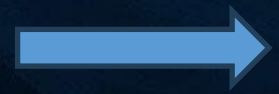
Oh, happy day when we shall stand
amid the heav'nly throng;
and sing with hosts from ev'ry land
the new celestial song,
the new celestial song.

2

Oh, blessed day when
Christ shall come
and show himself as Lord,
and thousands meet
in their new home
which Jesus has prepared,
which Jesus has prepared.

3

Oh, what a mighty rushing flood
of joy and love and peace
will roll down over us with good
and blessedness and grace,
and blessedness and grace.



4

O Lord, your grace is ev'rything;
your love has made us free
to stand among the saints and sing
the glory that we see,
the glory that we see.

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.

HYMN OF PRAISE:

"Glory To You, God"

ACS Setting 12

1

Glory to you, God,
for yours is the earth;
yours is the promise,
the blessing, the birth.

Ours the rejoicing for
Word given frame;
ours the thanksgiving
to your holy name.

Ours be the telling of
deeds greatly done;
yours be the glory,
O God, yours alone.

2

Glory to you, God,
for yours is the earth;
yours the hosannas,
the dying, rebirth.

Ours the rejoicing for
nature reclaimed;
ours the thanksgiving
to your holy name.

Ours be the telling of
deeds greatly done;
yours be the glory,
O God, yours alone.

3

Glory to you, God,
for yours is the earth;
yours the anointing,
the radiant worth.

Ours the rejoicing
for spirits aflame;
ours the thanksgiving
to your holy name.

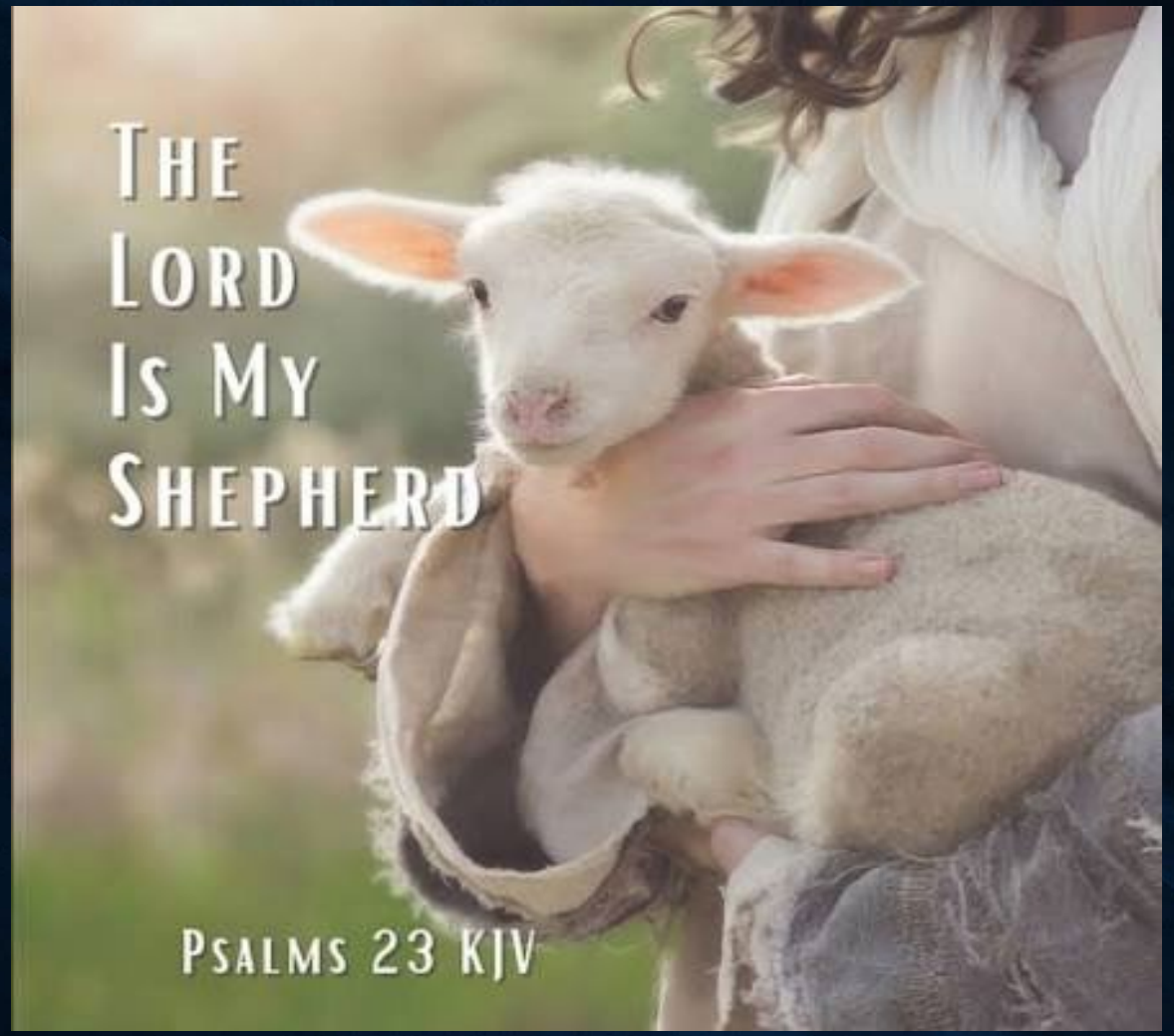
Ours be the telling
of deeds greatly done;
yours be the glory,
O God, yours alone.

P: Let us pray.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

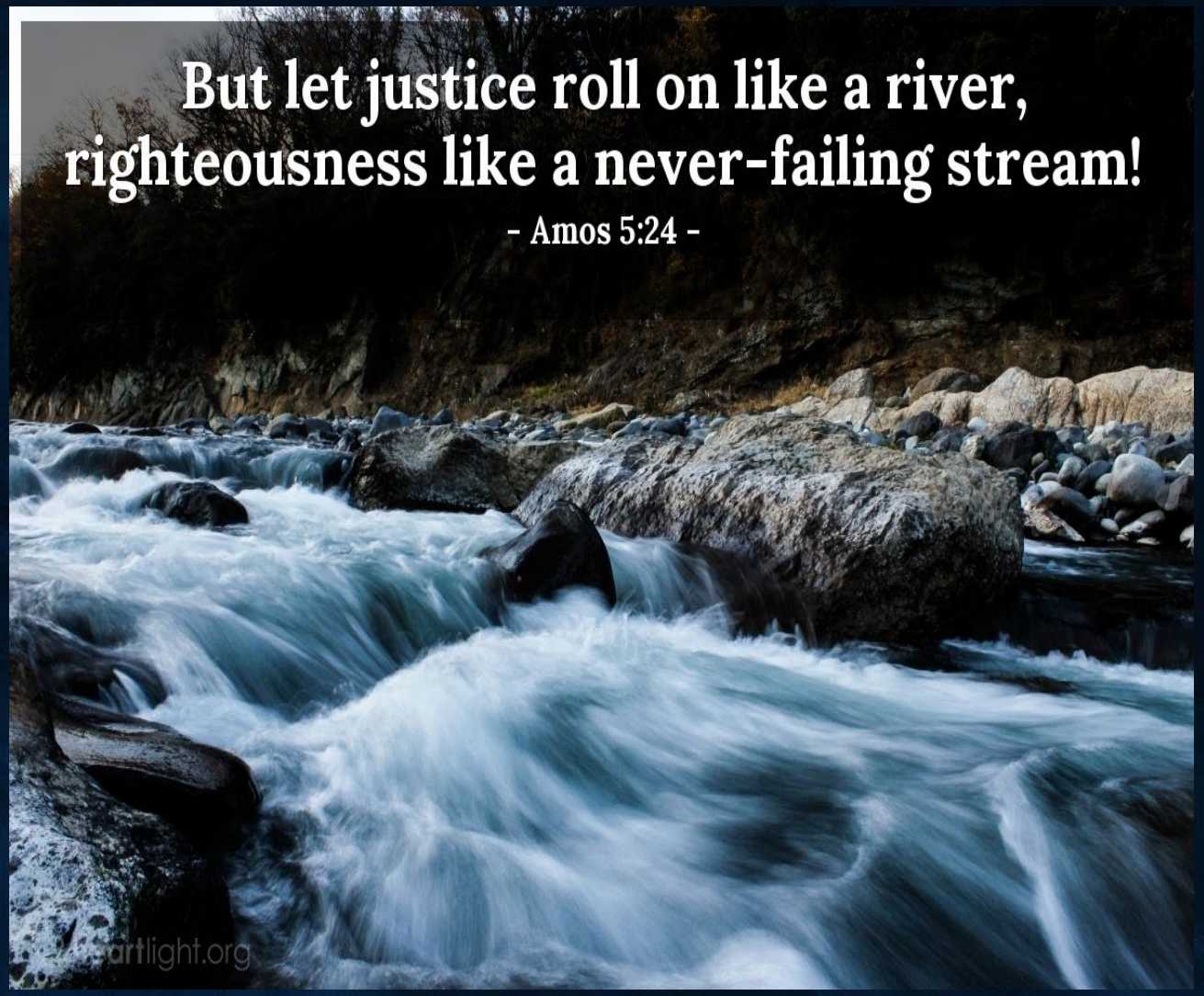
C: O God of justice and love, you illumine our way through life with the words of your Son. Give us the light we need, and awaken us to the needs of others, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE: 11:00 AM



AMOS 5:18-24

Let justice roll down like waters.





P: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 70

R: "You are my helper and my deliverer; O Lord, do not tarry." *(Ps. 70:5)*

[1] Be pleased, O God, to de- | liver me;
O LORD, make | haste to help me.

[2] Let those who seek my life be put to shame | and confounded; let those who take pleasure in my misfortune draw back and | be disgraced. R

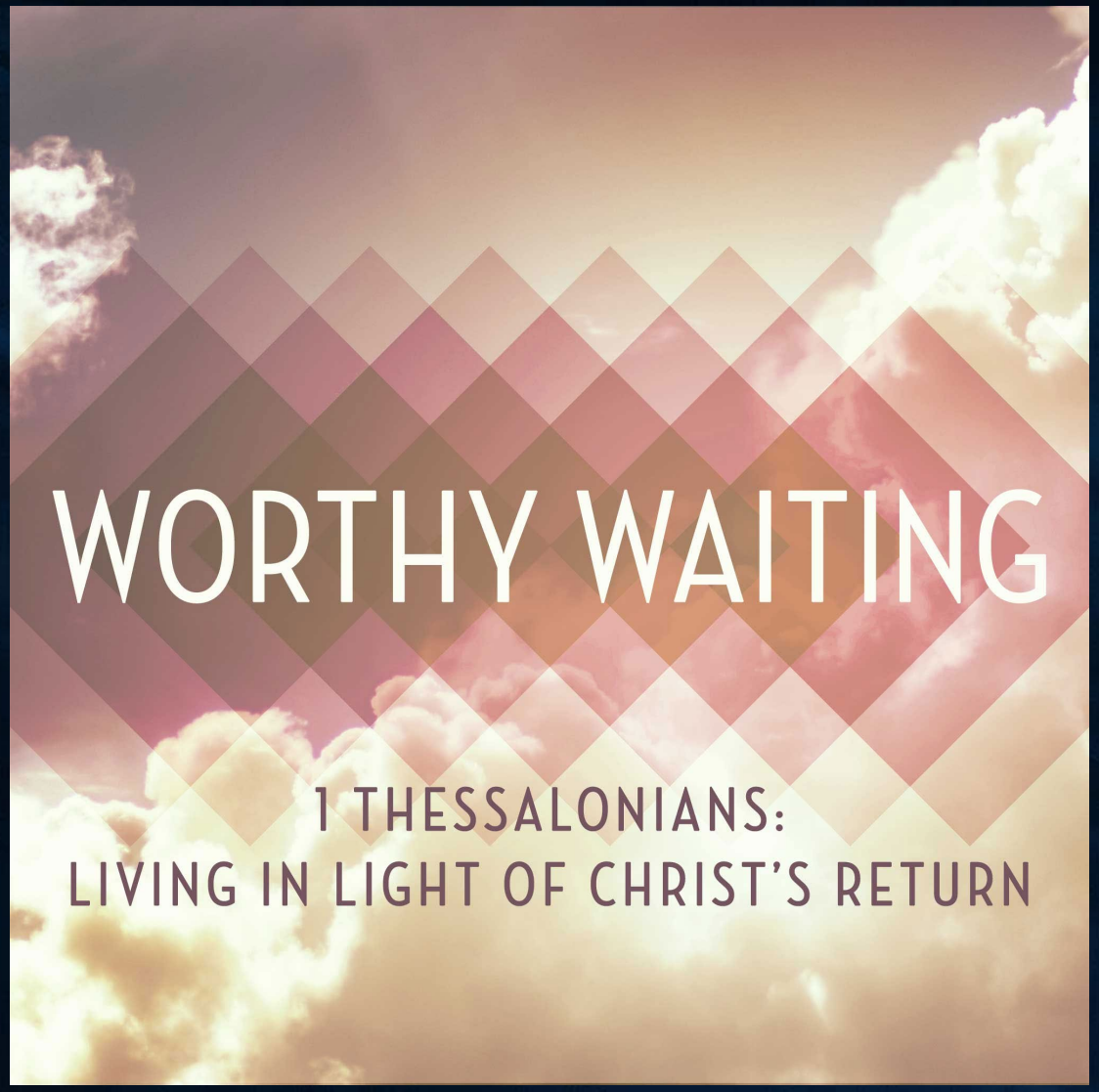
"You are my helper and my deliverer;
O Lord, do not tarry."

3 Let those who say to me “Aha!” and
gloat | over me turn back because | of
their shame.
4 ***Let all who seek you rejoice and***
be | glad in you; let those who love
your salvation say forever, “Great | is
the LORD!”



5 But as for me, I am poor and needy;
come to me quick- | ly, O God.
You are my helper and my deliverer;
O LORD, | do not tarry. ***R***

"You are my helper and my deliverer;
O Lord, do not tarry."



1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

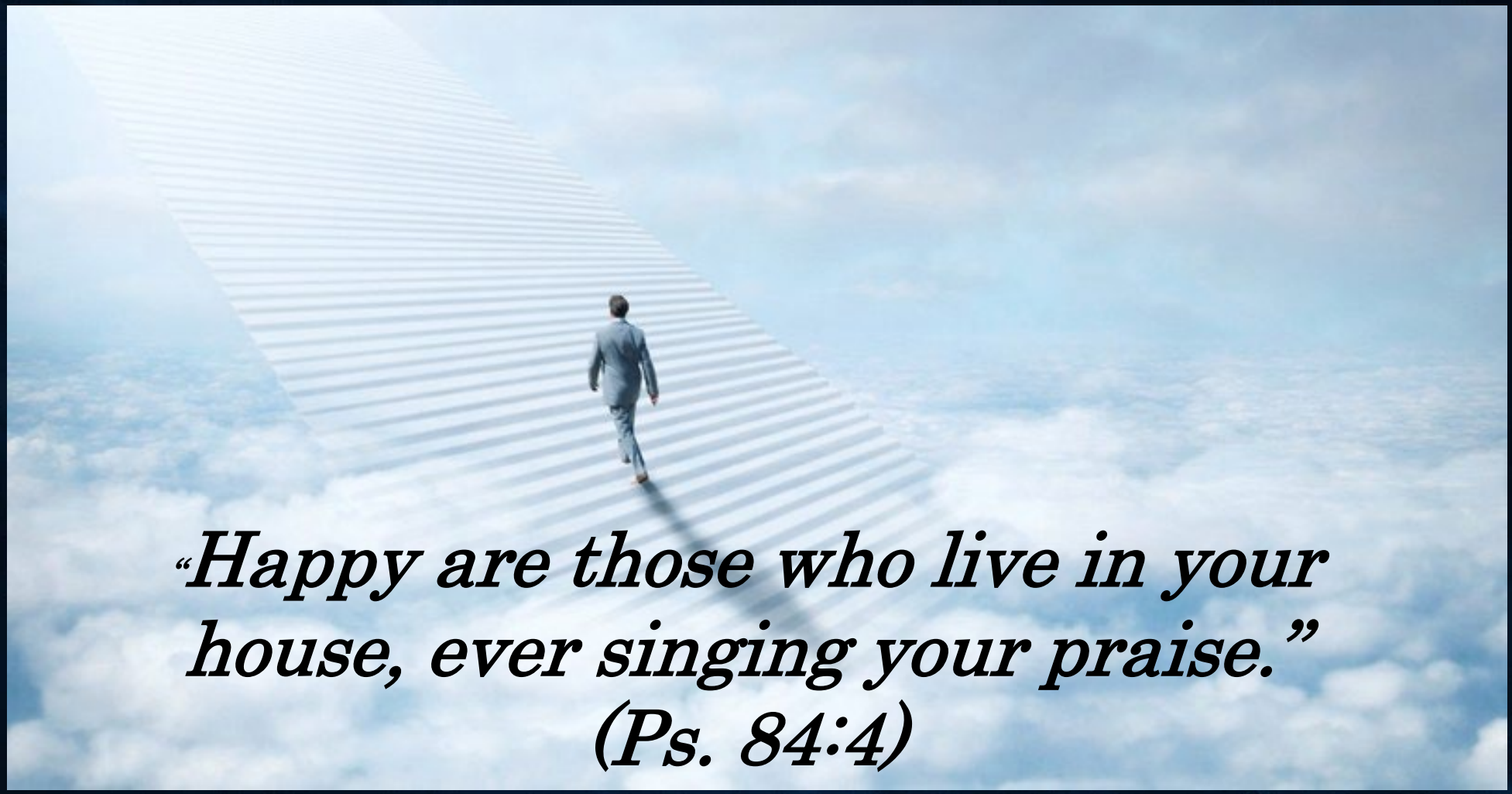
The promise of the resurrection.



P: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

SPECIAL MUSIC: (8:15 AM)



"HOME"- com. Richard Kingsmore

CHOIR ANTHEM: (11:00 AM)



"Proclamation of Service"-JOY Choir

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

“Alleluia”

ACS Setting 12

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.



P: The Holy Gospel According to

MATTHEW 25:1-13

C: Glory to you O Lord



P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Today's Message Is Given By:

Intern Linda Murphy



a moment of silence
for reflection

HYMN OF THE DAY:

“When Peace Like A River”

ELW # 785-verses 1, 3, and 4

1

When peace like a river
attendeth my way,
when sorrows like sea billows roll,
whatever my lot,
thou hast taught me to say,
it is well, it is well with my soul.



Refrain

It is well (it is well)
with my soul, (with my soul,)
it is well, it is well with my soul.

3 He lives--oh, the bliss of this glorious thought;

3

He lives--oh, the bliss
of this glorious thought;
my sin, not in part, but the whole,
is nailed to his cross
and I bear it no more.
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
O my soul!

Refrain

It is well (it is well)
with my soul, (with my soul,)
it is well, it is well with my soul.

4

Lord, hasten the day when
our faith shall be sight,
the clouds be rolled back as a scroll,
the trumpet shall sound
and the Lord shall descend;
even so it is well with my soul.

Refrain

It is well (it is well)
with my soul, (with my soul,)
it is well, it is well with my soul.

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

Response after each petition is:

“Hear our prayer.”

Sharing 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:



Arr. Edward Kramser

CONGREGATIONAL OFFERTORY

"Praise and Thanksgiving"

ELW # 689 verse 2

2

God, bless the labor
we bring to serve you,
that with our neighbor
we may be fed.

Sowing or tilling,
we would work with you,
harvesting, milling
for daily bread.

Offertory Prayer

A: Let Us Pray.

Eternal God,
our time, talents, and treasures are
gifts from you.
Receive what we offer,

A: and all that you entrust to us,
until hungry no more, all the world
is fed, through Jesus Christ,
our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

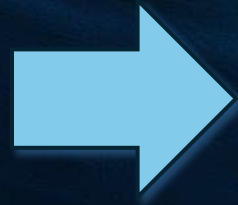
The Sacrament of Communion

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 Lord”

ACS Setting 12

Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of pow’r and God of might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one
who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
Hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Eucharistic Prayer



The Lord's Prayer
Let us 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.

Invitation to Communion

P: In bread and cup the reign of Christ is breaking in. Come, receive what Christ has prepared.

C: Amen.

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“LAMB OF GOD”

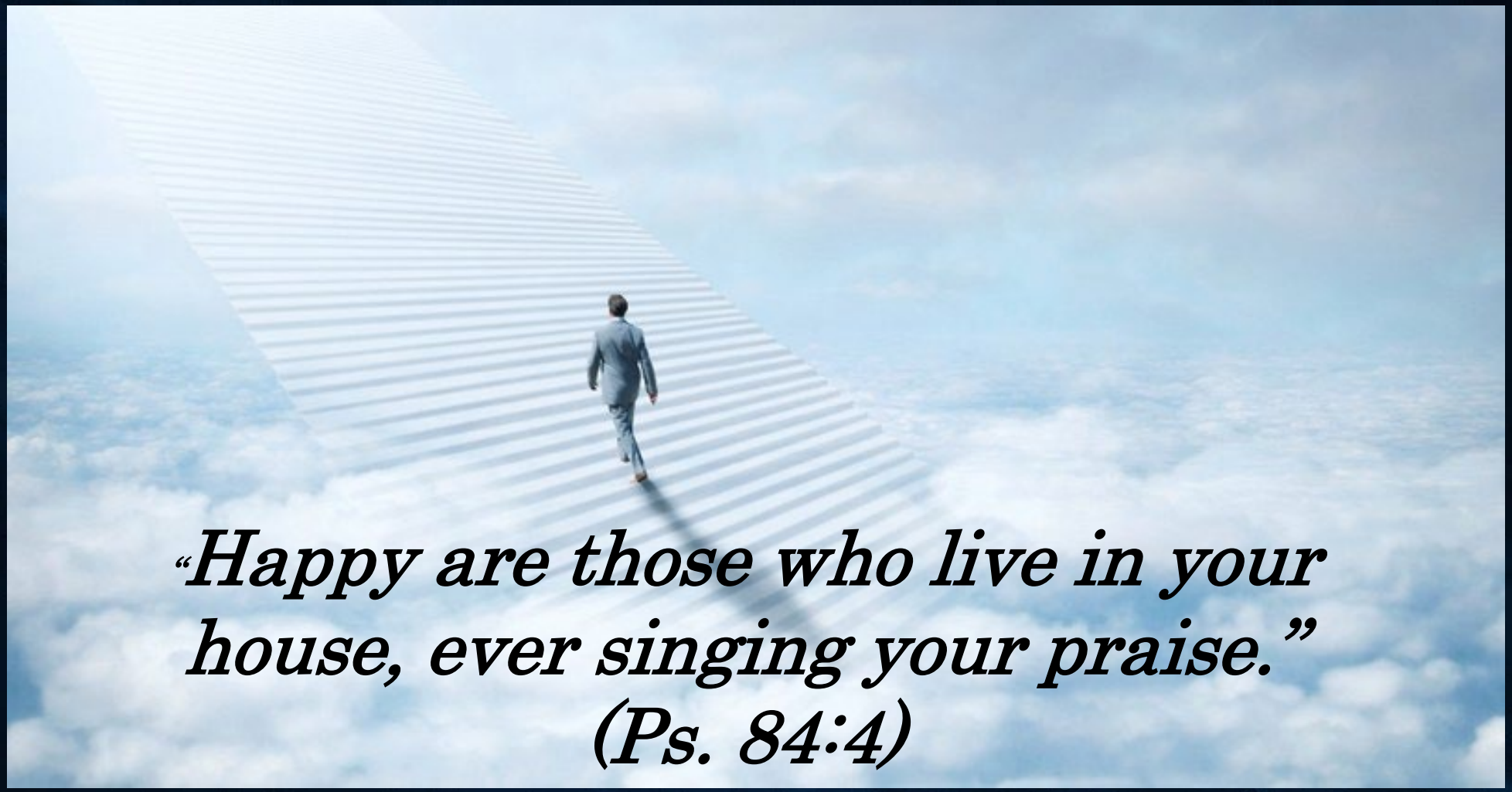
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O Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world;
have mercy upon us,
have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world;
have mercy upon us,
have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world;
grant us your peace,
grant us your peace.

COMMUNION MEDITATION (11:00 AM)



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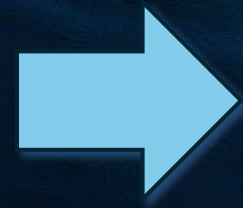
Distribution hymns:

"What a Friend
We Have in Jesus"

ELW # 742

1

What a friend we have in Jesus,
all our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry
ev'rything to God in prayer!



Oh, what peace we often forfeit;
oh, what needless pain we bear--
all because we do not carry
ev'rything to God in prayer!

2

Have we trials and temptations?
Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged--
take it to the Lord in prayer.

Can we find a friend so faithful
who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our ev'ry weakness--
take it to the Lord in prayer.

3

Are we weak and heavy-laden,
cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Savior, still our refuge--
take it to the Lord in prayer.

Do your friends despise,
forsake you?
Take it to the Lord in prayer.
In his arms he'll take
and shield you;
you will find a solace there.

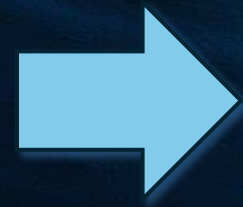
Behold the Lamb

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1.

Behold the Lamb
who bears our sins away
Slain for us
and we remember

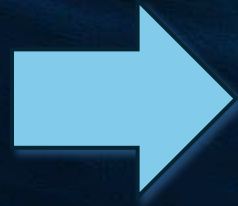
The promise made
that all who come in faith
Find forgiveness
at the cross



So we share in this Bread of Life
And we drink of His sacrifice
As a sign of our bonds of peace
Around the table of the King

2.

The body of our Saviour
Jesus Christ
Torn for you
eat and remember

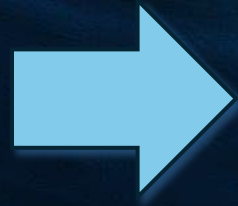


The wounds that heal
the death that brings us life
Paid the price
to make us one

So we share in this Bread of Life
And we drink of His sacrifice
As a sign of our bonds of love
Around the table of the King

3.

The blood that cleanses
every stain of sin
Shed for you
drink and remember



He drained death's cup
that all may enter in
To receive the life of God

So we share in this Bread of Life
And we drink of His sacrifice
As a sign of our bonds of grace
Around the table of the King

4.

And so with thankfulness
and faith we rise
To respond
and to remember

Our call to follow in the
steps of Christ
As His body here on earth

As we share in His suffering
we proclaim:
Christ will come again!

And we'll join
in the feast of heav’n
Around the table of the King

“Break Now the Bread of Life”

ELW # 515

1

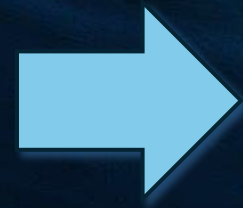
Break now the bread of life,
dear Lord, to me,
as once you broke the
loaves beside the sea.

Beyond the sacred page
I seek you, Lord;
my spirit waits for you,
O living Word.

2

Bless your own word of truth,
dear Lord, to me,
as when you blessed
the bread by Galilee.

Then shall all bondage cease,
all fetters fall;
and I shall find my peace,
my All-in-All!



3

You are the bread of life,
dear Lord, to me,
your holy word the truth
that rescues me.

Give me to eat and live
with you above;
teach me to love your truth,
for you are love.

Communion Blessing

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

C: Amen.

Prayer after Communion

A: Let us pray.

Holy God, we have received your
never-ending mercy in this meal.
You continuously seek the lost, bind the
injured, and feed your people abundantly.
Now send us out, awake to your presence,
now and forever.

C: Amen

BLESSING

P: The holy Trinity, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you with wisdom to welcome the reign of God, today and always.

C: Amen

SENDING HYMN:

“KEEP YOUR LAMPS TRIMMED AND BURNING”

ACS 949

1

Keep your lamps trimmed
and burning,
keep your lamps trimmed
and burning,
keep your lamps trimmed
and burning,
for this work's almost done.

Refrain

Children, don't grow weary;
children, don't grow weary;
children, don't grow weary,
for this work's almost done.

2

Darker midnight lies before us,
darker midnight lies before us,
darker midnight lies before us,
for this work's almost done.

Refrain

Children, don't grow weary;
children, don't grow weary;
children, don't grow weary,
for this work's almost done.

3

Lo, the morning soon is breaking,
lo, the morning soon is breaking,
lo, the morning soon is breaking,
for this work's almost done.

Refrain

Children, don't grow weary;
children, don't grow weary;
children, don't grow weary,
for this work's almost done.

4

Keep your lamps trimmed
and burning,
keep your lamps trimmed
and burning,
keep your lamps trimmed
and burning,
for this work's almost done.

Refrain

Children, don't grow weary;
children, don't grow weary;
children, don't grow weary,
for this work's almost done.

Sending

A: Go in peace.
Encourage one another.

C: Thanks be to God.

Please note:

Stephen Ministers will be available at the front of the church for prayers of healing .

POSTLUDE



“All Things Bright And Beautiful”- arr. Roger Summers

