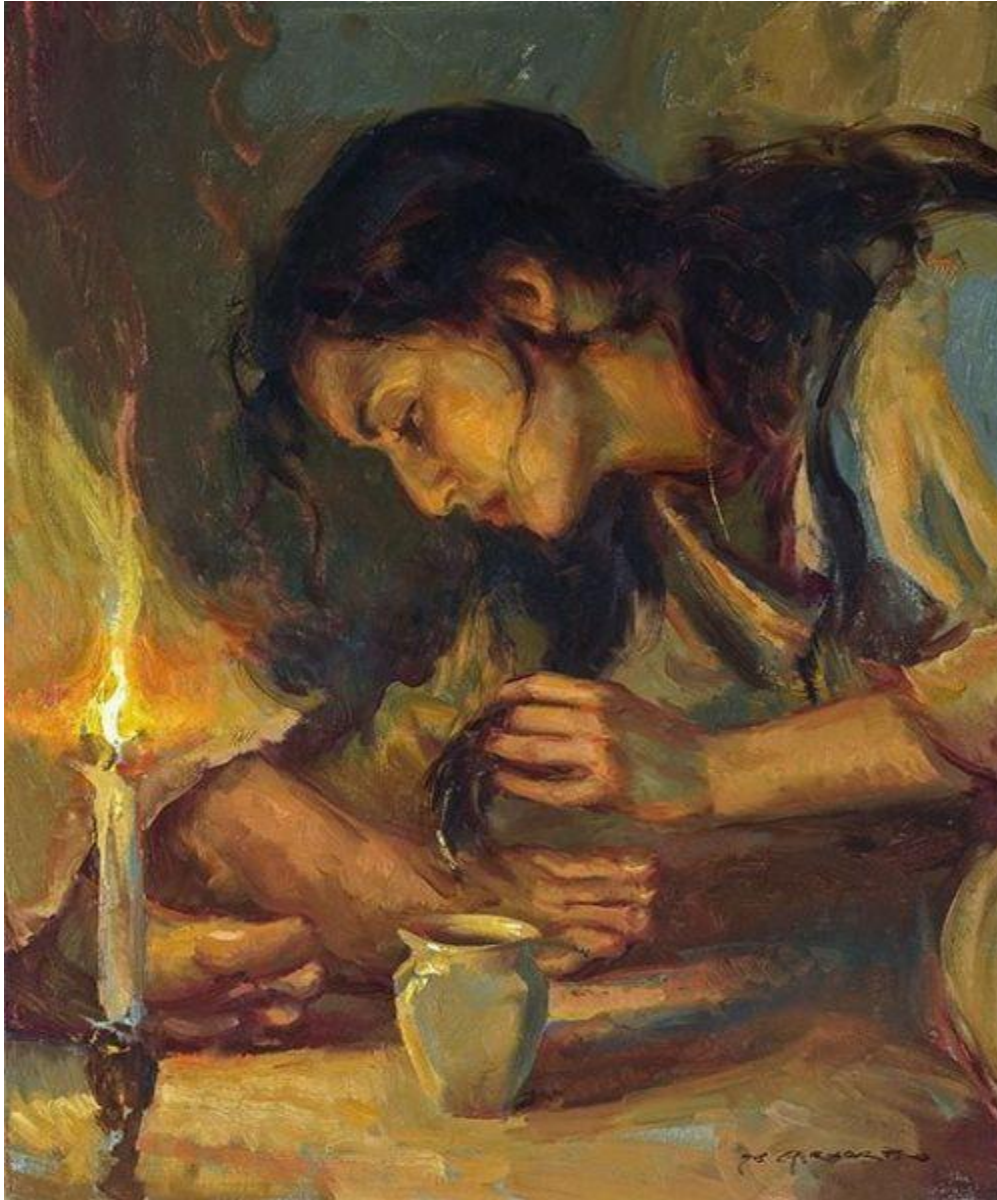


**St. John's Lutheran Church
Fifth Sunday in Lent
April 3, 2022**



PRELUDE

WELCOME

Welcome on this 5th Sunday of Lent. By her gift, Mary prepared for the day of Jesus' burial and honored the gift of his healing presence with them. By our prayers and presence, we prepare for this Lenten turn toward Palm Sunday and Holy Week. Remembering that our fickle passions and mixed motives are no match for the steadfast love of God, we continue the journey to the cross

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***HYMN ~ In the Cross of Christ I Glory**

LBW # 104

In the Cross of Christ I Glory

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The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) and piano accompaniment. It consists of three systems of music. The first system contains the first four lines of the hymn. The second system contains the next four lines. The third system contains the final four lines. The lyrics are printed below the vocal staves, and the piano accompaniment is on the bottom staff of each system. The key signature is one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is common time (C).

1 In the cross of Christ I glo - ry, Tow'r - ing
 2 When the woes of life o'er - take me, Hopes de -
 3 When the sun of bliss is beam - ing Light and
 4 Bane and bless - ing, pain and plea - sure, By the

o'er the wrecks of time. All the light of
 ceive, and fears an - noy, Nev - er shall the
 love up - on my way, From the cross the
 cross are sanc - ti - fied; Peace is there that

sa - cred sto - ry Gath - ers round its head sub - lime.
 cross for - sake me; Lo, it glows with peace and joy.
 ra - diance stream - ing Adds more lus - ter to the day.
 knows no mea - sure, Joys that through all time a - bide.

Text: John Bowring, 1792-1872
 Tune: Ithamar Conkey, 1815-1867

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***CONFESSION and FORGIVENESS**

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

C **Amen**

P Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen**

P 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 and self-examination.

P Most merciful God,

C **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; we have not 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**

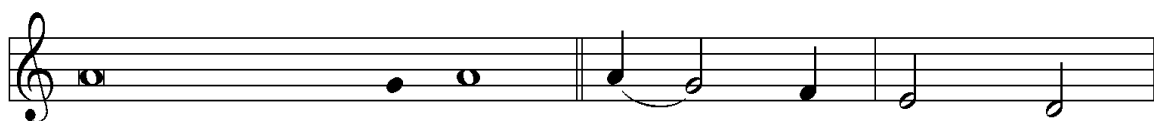
P Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen**

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C **And also with you.**

***KYRIE**



A In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



A For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal-vation, let us pray to the Lord.



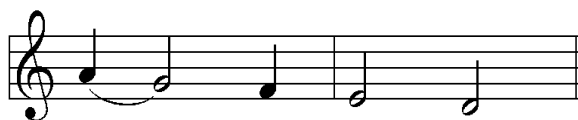
C Lord, have mer - cy.



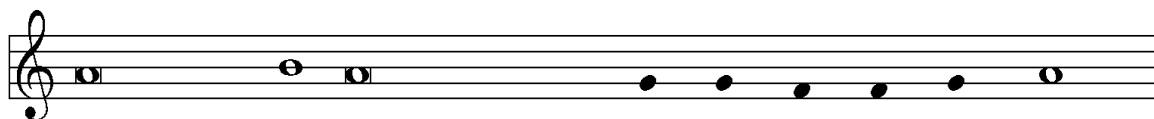
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



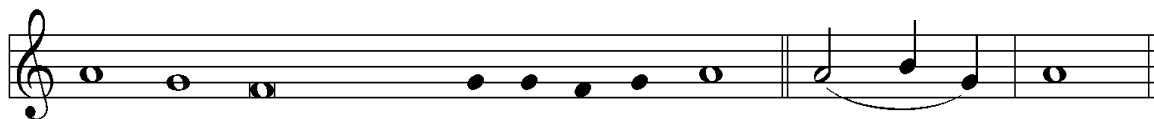
C Lord, have mer - cy.



A For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor - ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra-cious Lord. **C** A - men

***HYMN of PRAISE**

A Glo-ry to God in the high- est, and peace to his peo- ple on earth.



B 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.



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.



For you a- lone are the Ho - ly One, you a- lone are the Lord,

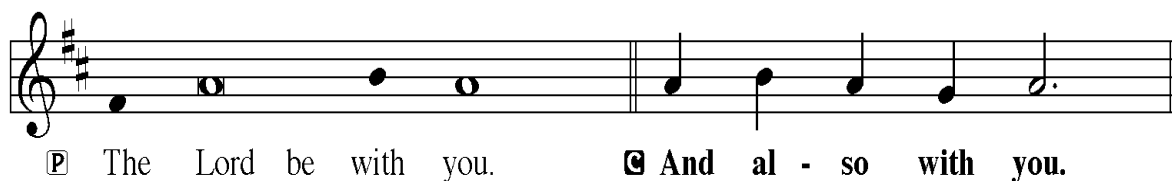


you a- lone are the Most High, Je- sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir- it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa- ther. A - men

***PRAYER of the DAY ~ (in unison)**



P Let us pray...

Creator God, you prepare a new way in the wilderness, and your grace waters our desert. Open our hearts to be transformed by the new thing you are doing, that our lives may proclaim the extravagance of your love given to all through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

LESSONS

***First Lesson ~ A reading from Isaiah 43:16-21**

after the reading

R The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

***Psalm 126 ~ with response**

The psalm is announced, organ plays response 1x, cantor or pastor sings 1x, people join to sing response, then as psalm is read, congregation sings response at each R.

***Second Lesson ~ A reading from Philippians 3:4-14**

after the reading

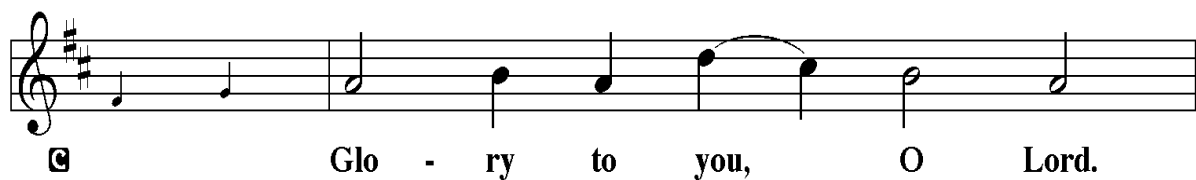
R The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

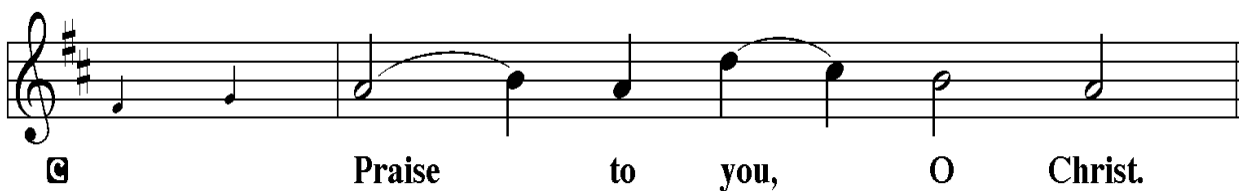


Gospel Reading ~ P The Holy Gospel according to John the 12th chapter.



The Gospel is read. After the reading

P The Gospel of the Lord



MESSAGE ~ *What is the value of what Christ valued?*

*HYMN ~ *Take My Life, that I May Be*

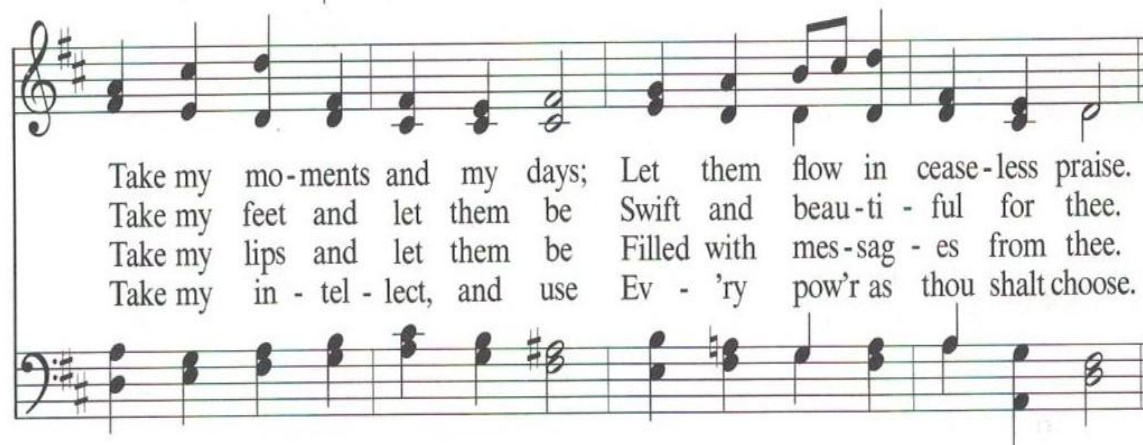
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Take My Life, that I May Be

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1 Take my life, that I may be Con - se - crat - ed, Lord, to thee;
 2 Take my hands and let them move At the im - pulse of thy love;
 3 Take my voice and let me sing Al - ways, on - ly, for my King;
 4 Take my sil - ver and my gold, Not a mite would I with - hold;



Take my mo - ments and my days; Let them flow in cease - less praise.
 Take my feet and let them be Swift and beau - ti - ful for thee.
 Take my lips and let them be Filled with mes - sag - es from thee.
 Take my in - tel - lect, and use Ev - 'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose.

5 Take my will and make it thine;
 It shall be no longer mine.
 Take my heart, it is thine own;
 It shall be thy royal throne.

6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour
 At thy feet its treasure store;
 Take myself, and I will be
 Ever, only, all for thee.

***APOSTLES' CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended into hell.*

On the third day he rose again.

**He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

He will come again 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 ~ *See Celebrate

P Drawn close to the heart of God, we offer these prayers for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence

P Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen

***THE PEACE**

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

The peace is shared

OFFERING ~ You may place your gifts in one of the offering plates at the end of the front and back pews on your way out.

***OFFERTORY**


What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all his ben - e - fits to me?

I will of-fer the sac-ri - fice of thanks- giv - ing and will call on the

name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal - va - tion and will

call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the

pres-ence of all his peo - ple, in the courts of the Lord's house,

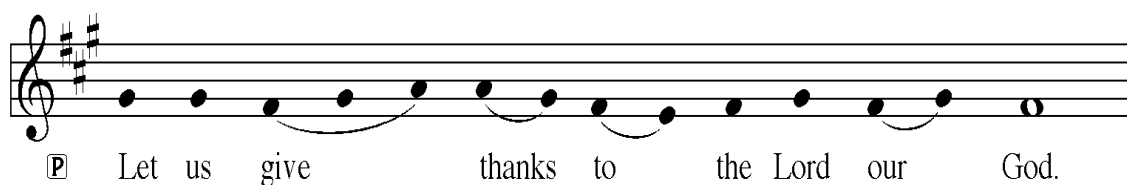
in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

***OFFERTORY PRAYER**

P Let us pray. Merciful Father,

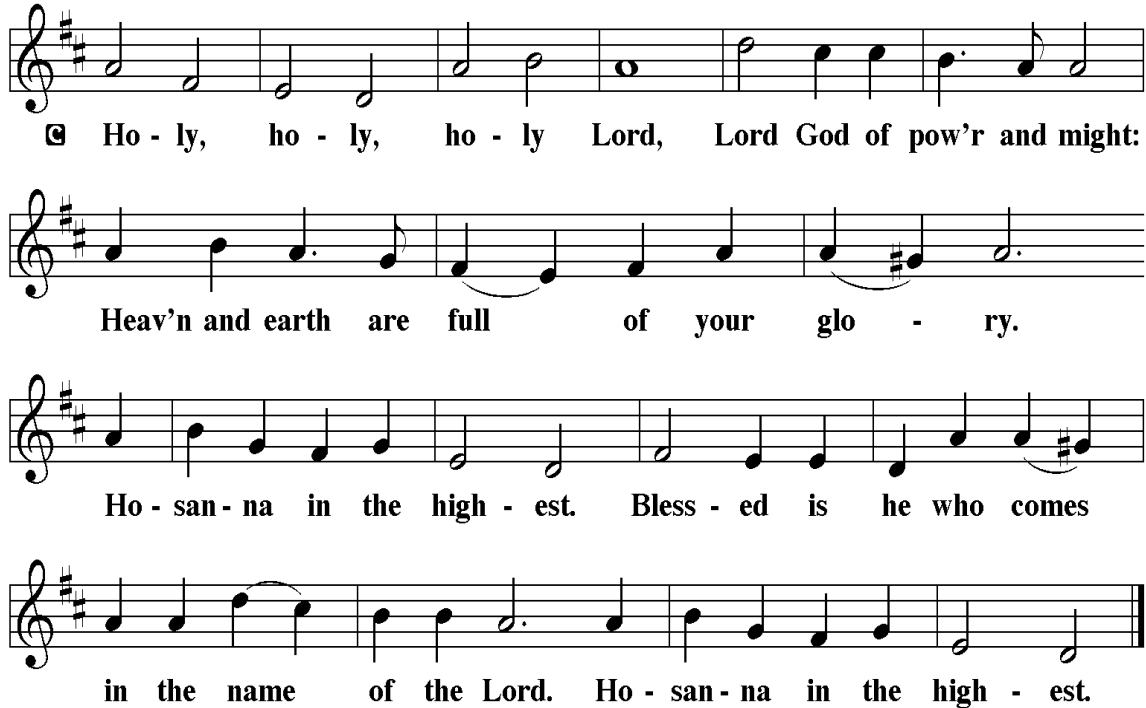
C we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us--ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

***GREAT THANKSGIVING**



*** PREFACE**

It is indeed right and salutary, that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks to you O Lord, Holy Father, through Christ our Lord. You bid your people cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast. Renew our zeal in faith and life, and bring us to the fullness of Grace that belongs to the children of God. 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, Lord God of pow'r and might:
Heav'n 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.

P In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread,
and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the
remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all
to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed
for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the
remembrance of me.

The Lord's Prayer

P Let us pray as Jesus taught us:

**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**

COMMUNION

Maintaining social distancing we will each come forward to take the bread and wine from the plates. Remaining standing you may pause for blessing and prayer before returning to your seats. A receptacle for the cups is at the end of the front pew.

COMMUNION

Invitation to Communion:

P Partake of the banquet, for all is now ready, taste and see that the Lord is good.

P The Bread of Life. The body of Christ, given for you;

C Amen.

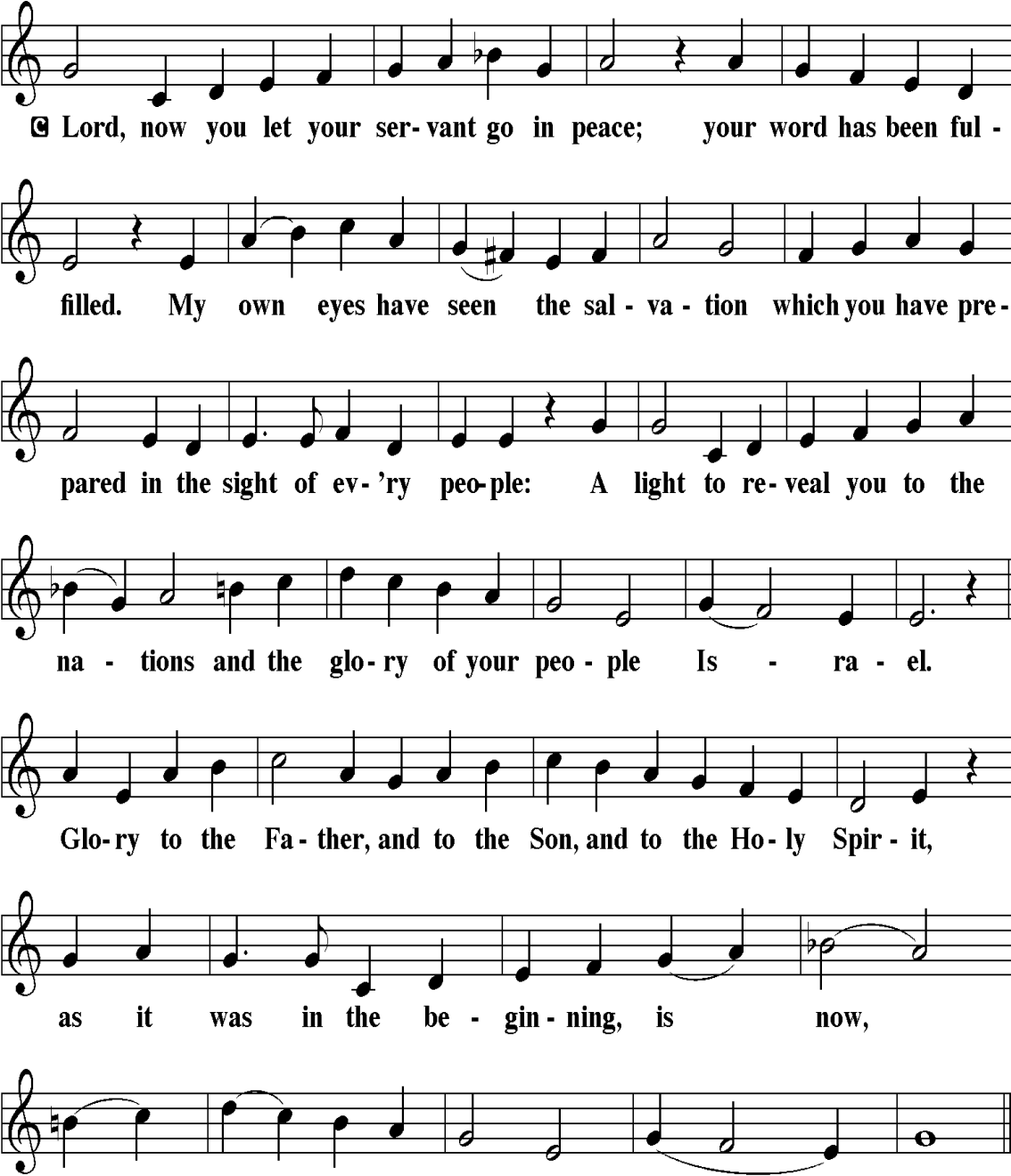
P The Cup of the Covenant: the blood of Christ, shed for you.

C Amen.

(After all are seated)

P May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen.

***POST COMMUNION CANTICLE**


Lord, now you let your ser-vant go in peace; your word has been ful -
 filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion which you have pre -
 pared in the sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: A light to re - veal you to the
 na - tions and the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.
 Glo - ry to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spir - it,
 as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now,
 and will be for - ev - er. A - men

***POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

P Let us pray.

P We give you thanks, almighty God, that you refresh us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in your mercy you would strengthen us, through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen

***BLESSING**

P Almighty God, Father, +Son and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

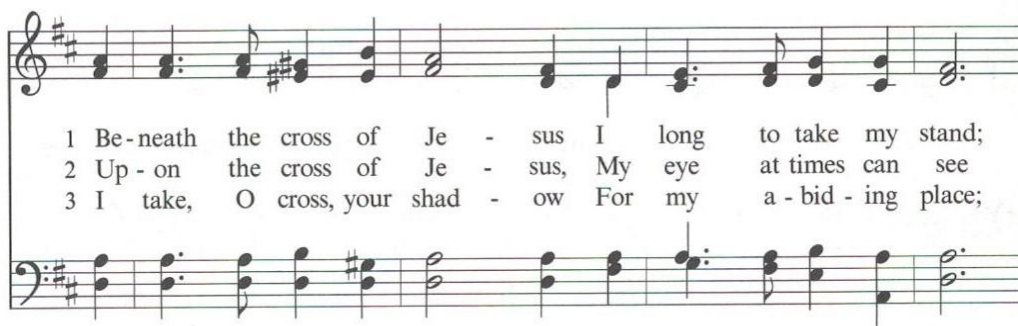
C Amen

***HYMN ~ Beneath the Cross of Jesus**

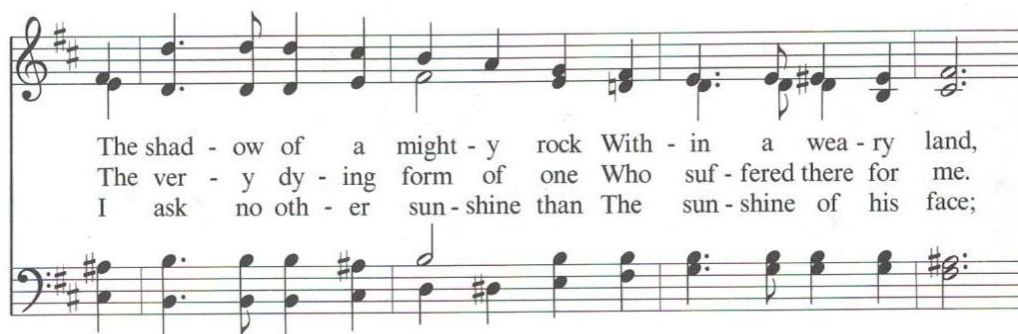
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Beneath the Cross of Jesus

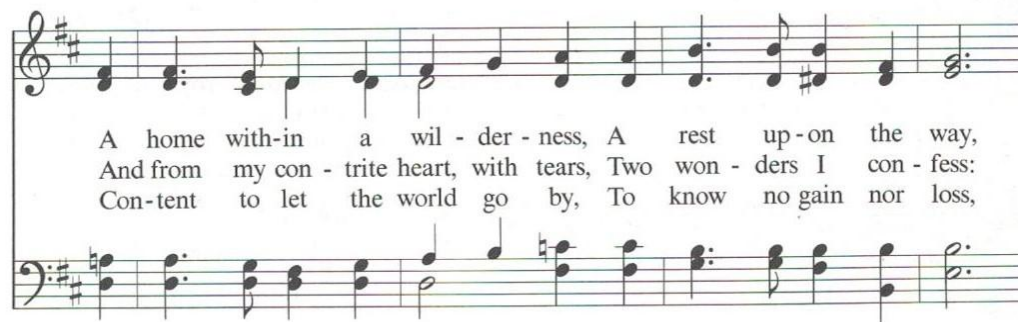
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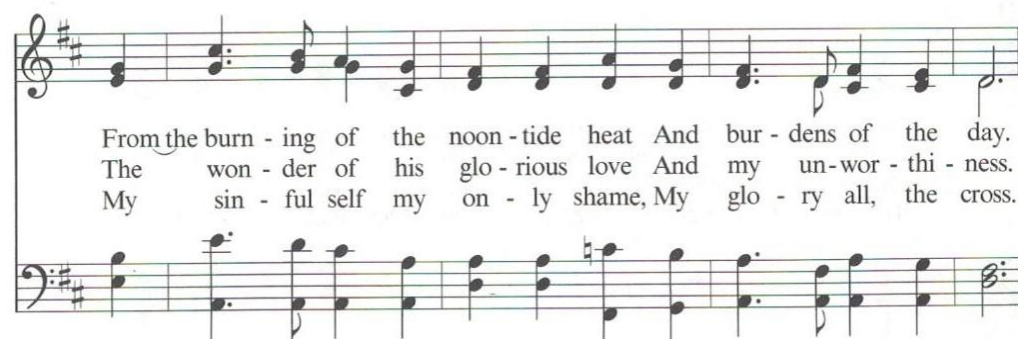
1 Be - neath the cross of Je - sus I long to take my stand;
2 Up - on the cross of Je - sus, My eye at times can see
3 I take, O cross, your shad - ow For my a - bid - ing place;



The shad - ow of a might - y rock With - in a wea - ry land,
The ver - y dy - ing form of one Who suf - fered there for me.
I ask no oth - er sun - shine than The sun - shine of his face;



A home with-in a wil - der - ness, A rest up-on the way,
And from my con - trite heart, with tears, Two won - ders I con - fess:
Con - tent to let the world go by, To know no gain nor loss,



From the burn - ing of the noon - tide heat And bur - dens of the day.
The won - der of his glo - rious love And my un - wor - thi - ness.
My sin - ful self my on - ly shame, My glo - ry all, the cross.

***DISMISSAL**

P May the Lord bless you and keep you
May the Lord's countenance shine upon you and give you peace.
Go in Peace to Serve the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

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Our Mission Statement

*We, the members of St. John's congregation, promise to share
the good news of Jesus Christ, to worship and to love one another
in our homes, church, community and the world.*

Our Vision Statement

*To be people who are welcoming and encourage God's love in our community
through our prayer, devotion, benevolence and deeds.*

Today

Greeters: Don and Rosalie Smith; **Lay Reader:** Jim Buchanan

Next Sunday, April 10 ~ Palm Sunday

Greeter: Gwen Hornberger; **Lay Reader:** Gwen Hornberger

Please remember in prayer ~ Bob Treaster, Carolyn Malone, Andrea Kauffman, John and Sue Bodner, Calvin Baker, Don F. Smith, Camden Peachey, Susan Keller, Steve Rodgers, Samantha Smith, our members ~ Joyce Stuck (Greenwood Village), Betty Harmon (Celebration Villa), Pastor Kramm, Don Wolfe, Carol Yoder (VVH).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The council meeting is being held this Wednesday April 6 due to our Maundy Thursday Worship service next week.

The April newsletter can be found in the mailboxes of those members who do not receive it by email.

There are copies of the updated member address directory available in the narthex. Please note ~ email addresses and cell numbers are **only listed** for members who requested they be shared. If you **did not** turn in an address update form, the information included in the booklet is what the church currently has on file for you.

A form was included in the March/April newsletters (extras in the narthex) for anyone wishing to place Easter flowers. There is no set price; a variety will be purchased to decorate the church. **Please return the form with your donation by next Sunday, April 10.**

Social Ministry is collecting the following personal care and first aid items for Liberia. Your donations can be placed in one of the boxes located in the coatroom area and narthex

*Multivitamins, Band-Aids, gauze, tape, Q-tips, digital thermometers,
eye drops, anti-bacterial ointment, tweezers and alcohol wipes,
or you can purchase a readymade First Aid kit.
Deodorant, shampoo, bar soap,
toothpaste and toothbrushes for adults/children.*

January 1 thru March 31, 2022

Last week's attendance ~ 26 Offering ~ \$1,400.00

St. John's ~ Income \$62,410.63 Expense \$47,877.13
Net Income \$14,533.50

Daycare ~ Income \$116,020.96 Expense \$91,485.08
Net Income \$24,535.88