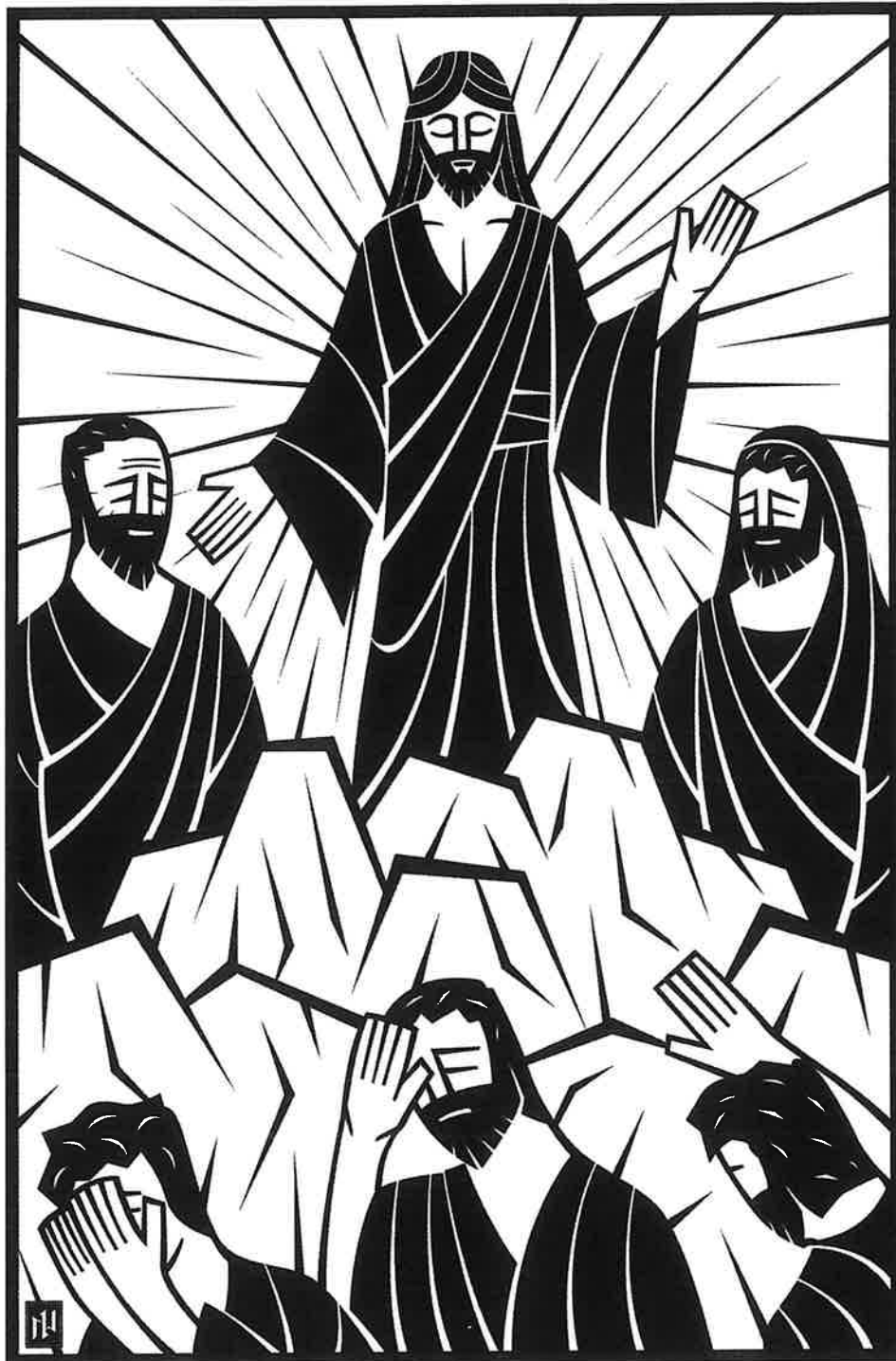


# Divine Worship at 10:30



## Emmanuel Lutheran Church

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# WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Here are a few things we'd like you to know...



## CHILDREN IN WORSHIP



We are so happy you are here!

We've got tot bags and children's bulletins that are located in the east and west rear entrances of the church. Also, check out our Visual Faith page in the back of the bulletin.

Please feel free to bring your kids up during the distribution of Holy Communion for a personal blessing.

The unstaffed Church Nursery is available for children three years of age and younger and is located in the lower level. If you need help finding it, please ask one of our ushers who will gladly guide you.

## PRAYER REQUESTS



If you have a prayer request that you would like announced to the congregation, you will find a prayer request card on the tables located near each entrance into the sanctuary. Drop the completed card into one of the boxes located at each entrance, or simply hand it to an usher.

## CONNECTIONS COUNTER



Visit the Connections Counter located in Ebenezer Hall. We've been expecting you and have a gift for our visitors. You can also pick up information on all we have to offer and sign up for events too!

## SPECIAL NEEDS



We offer a hearing loop, large print bulletins and printed copies of today's sermon. If these would be helpful, please ask one of our ushers who would be delighted to assist you.

## GATHERING TIME



Join us for coffee, donuts and fellowship on Sunday mornings, after the early service and before Sunday school and Bible classes begin.

## EMMANUEL APP



[emmanuel Lutheran.org](http://emmanuel Lutheran.org)



Found in the gathering space we call Ebenezer Hall.

**BUILDING FAITH IN THE CITY**

# “Transfiguration”

## AS WE GATHER

This weekend we celebrate the Transfiguration: that moment when Jesus was transformed before the disciple's eyes. It was a dazzling moment. Moses and Elijah appeared, there was a glorious cloud and a voice from heaven; all of it exactly as you might expect when God is involved. After all, this is the kind of spectacle that makes sense to us. This is who God is, who He must be. He is not a God content to stay on a mountain, though. He has a grander plan than this!

## + THE ORDER OF DIVINE SERVICE I AT 10:30 A.M. +

### THE GATHERING TIME

During the Gathering Time, we encourage our members to greet each other and to warmly welcome visitors into our fellowship. Kindly turn off all cellphones and please sit toward the center of the pew so there is room for all who worship.

THE PRELUDE: “Alleluia, Song of Gladness”

arr. Hildebrand

THE RINGING OF THE BELLS

THE WORDS OF WELCOME

THE OPENING HYMN: “From All That Dwell Below the Skies”  
(Please stand for verse 3)

Hymn 816

THE PRESENTATION OF PRAYER REQUESTS

### THE INVOCATION

Leader: In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

### THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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

People: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness (1 John 1:8-9).

(Silence for personal prayer and reflection)

Leader: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

People: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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.

Leader: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

THE KYRIE: (Congregation sings responsively)

LSB, 152

**A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.

**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

**A** For the peace from above and for our salvation 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 unity 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 worship and praise

let us pray to the Lord.

**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

**A** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.

**C** A - men.

# THE HYMN OF PRAISE: This Is the Feast

LSB, 155

*Refrain*

**C** This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.

Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

1 — Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose

2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and

3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and

4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to

5 For the Lamb who was slain has he -

blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*

hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*

join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*

God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*

gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain*

*Final Refrain*

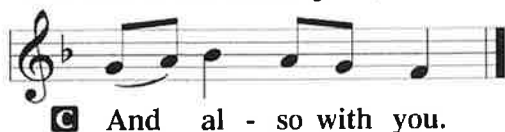
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



# THE COLLECT

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People:



Leader: Let us pray. O God, in the glorious transfiguration of Your beloved Son You confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the testimony of Moses and Elijah. In the voice that came from the bright cloud You wonderfully foreshowed our adoption by grace. Mercifully make us co-heirs with the King in His glory and bring us to the fullness of our inheritance in heaven; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People:



(Please be seated)

THE FIRST READING: Exodus 24:8-18

And Moses took the blood and threw it on the people and said, "Behold the blood of the covenant that the LORD has made with you in accordance with all these words." <sup>9</sup>Then Moses and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel went up, <sup>10</sup>and they saw the God of Israel. There was under his feet as it were a pavement of sapphire stone, like the very heaven for clearness. <sup>11</sup>And he did not lay his hand on the chief men of the people of Israel; they beheld God, and ate and drank. <sup>12</sup>The LORD said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain and wait there, that I may give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction." <sup>13</sup>So Moses rose with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. <sup>14</sup>And he said to the elders, "Wait here for us until we return to you. And behold, Aaron and Hur are with you. Whoever has a dispute, let him go to them." <sup>15</sup>Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. <sup>16</sup>The glory of the LORD dwelt on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it six days. And on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the midst of the cloud. <sup>17</sup>Now the appearance of the glory of the LORD was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. <sup>18</sup>Moses entered the cloud and went up on the mountain. And Moses was on the mountain forty days and forty nights.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

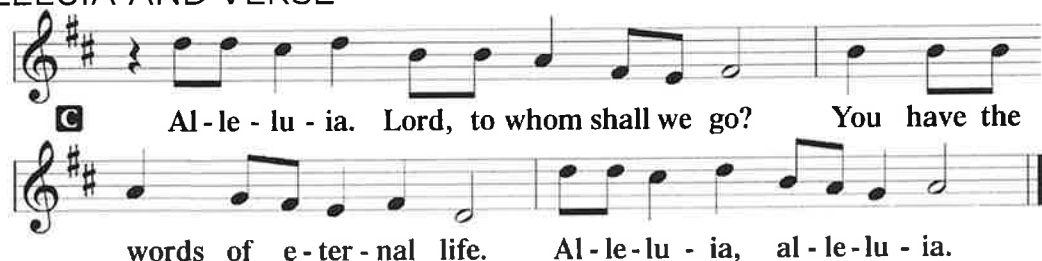
## THE SECOND READING: 2 Peter 1:16-21

For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty. <sup>17</sup>For when he received honor and glory from God the Father, and the voice was borne to him by the Majestic Glory, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased," <sup>18</sup>we ourselves heard this very voice borne from heaven, for we were with him on the holy mountain. <sup>19</sup>And we have something more sure, the prophetic word, to which you will do well to pay attention as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts, <sup>20</sup>knowing this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture comes from someone's own interpretation. <sup>21</sup>For no prophecy was ever produced by the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

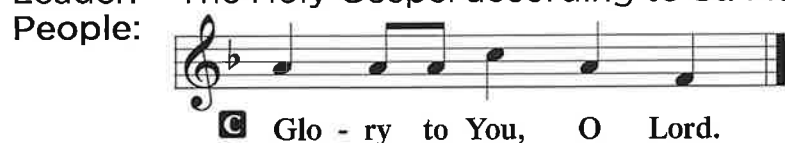
People: Thanks be to God.

## THE ALLELUIA AND VERSE



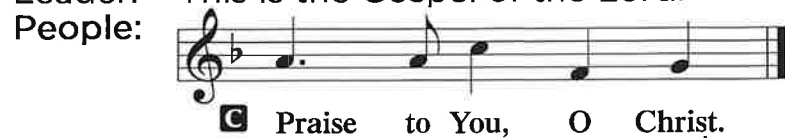
## THE HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 17:1-9

Leader: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 17<sup>th</sup> chapter.



After six days Jesus took with him Peter and James, and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. <sup>2</sup>And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became white as light. <sup>3</sup>And behold, there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. <sup>4</sup>And Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good that we are here. If you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah." <sup>5</sup>He was still speaking when, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." <sup>6</sup>When the disciples heard this, they fell on their faces and were terrified. <sup>7</sup>But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Rise, and have no fear." <sup>8</sup>And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no one but Jesus only. <sup>9</sup>And as they were coming down the mountain, Jesus commanded them, "Tell no one the vision, until the Son of Man is raised from the dead."

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.



THE NICENE CREED (Spoken together)

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(Please be seated)

THE SERMON HYMN: "Beautiful Savior"

Hymn 537

THE SERMON

Pastor Jon Meyer

THE GATHERING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Please take the black binder at the end of each pew, and fill out the appropriate info. We encourage our members to greet our visitors after the service.

THE MUSICAL OFFERING: "Grant Peace, We Pray, in Mercy Lord" arr. Behnke

(Please stand as you are able)

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Leader: Almighty and merciful God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we give You thanks for revealing to the world Your goodness and mercy in the gift of Your beloved Son. Being of one substance with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, He has revealed Your glory chiefly in His sacrifice on the cross for the life of the world. Make us certain that because He died and lives again, we and all who trust in Him are now given eternal life in the forgiveness of our sin. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Leader: By Your Word and Spirit, rule and govern Your holy Church throughout the world in order that we may be preserved in the pure doctrine of Your saving Word and may be strengthened in faith and love. Send forth laborers into Your harvest that Your kingdom be extended to all nations. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Leader: Grant Your help and protection to all who are in the authority of government, bless our country that righteousness and peace abound that we may lead quiet and peaceable lives in all godliness and honesty. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Leader: Comfort with Your Holy Spirit all who are in trouble, want, sickness, or any adversity, that they may receive healing of body and mind, and peace in their souls. Bless all medical professionals and emergency workers and all who supply the needy in any way. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Leader: We give thanks for all Your prophets and apostles who have faithfully delivered Your Word through the ages, and for all Your witnesses who have gone before us and are now with You in Your divine presence.



Keep us in the sure faith and hope of Your Word that we may one day look upon our Savior face-to-face in the glory of eternal life. Lord, in Your mercy,

**People:** hear our prayer.

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

**People:** Amen.

## + THE SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION +

**THE PREFACE:** (Spoken responsively by the Congregation)

**Leader:** The Lord be with you.

**People:** And also with you.

**Leader:** Lift up your hearts.

**People:** We lift them to the Lord.


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

**People:** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

**Leader:** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who at His transfiguration revealed His glory to His disciples that they might be strengthened to proclaim His cross and resurrection and with all the faithful look forward to the glory of life everlasting. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

**THE SANCTUS:** (Sung by the congregation)

LSB, 161



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:  
Heav-en 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 who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

**THE LORD'S PRAYER** (spoken together)

**THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

## THE PEACE OF THE LORD

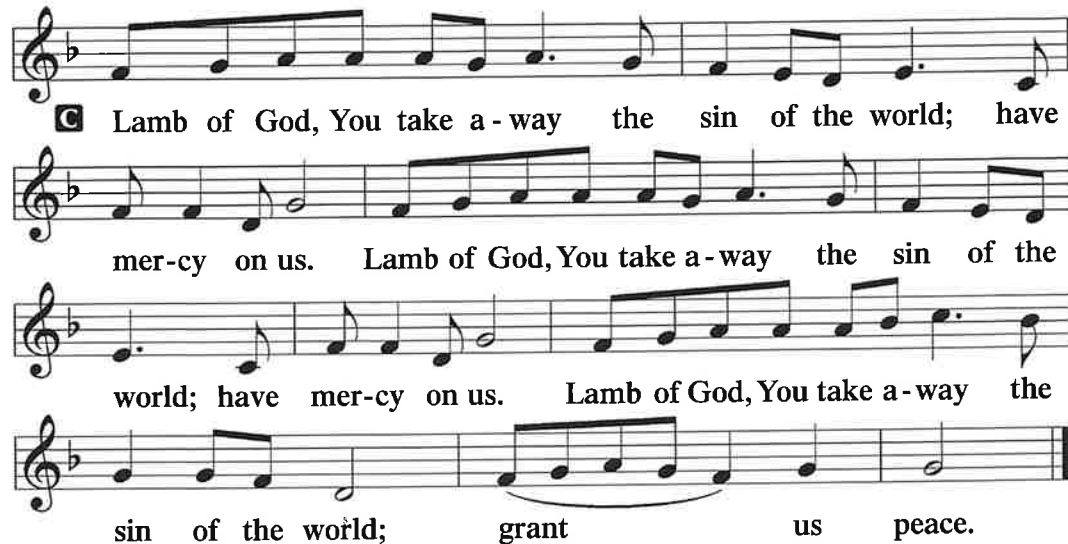
Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People:



## THE AGNUS DEI: (Sung by the congregation)

LSB, 163



(Please be seated)

## THE DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION (Served by stations)

When Jesus said, "This is My Body...This is My Blood," He really meant it. As Lutherans, we believe in the real bodily presence of Christ in the Sacrament, not merely in a figurative or symbolic sense. This means that Jesus' body and blood are actually present in the bread and wine received in Holy Communion. In this meal our faith is strengthened and forgiveness is assured. This gift is an act of God's love, which we don't deserve, cannot explain, and don't even fully understand. We humbly believe it. It is a request of our congregation that anyone who wishes to commune with us would share this faith. If you are not receiving the Lord's Supper today but desire a blessing, approach the Pastor with your arms crossed over your heart. The individual cups located in the center of each tray contain non-alcoholic wine for those having that medical need. Individually packaged gluten-free communion wafers are available. Please ask the Communion Assistant if you have this dietary need.

## THE DISTRIBUTION HYMNS:

"'Tis Good, Lord, to Be Here"

"Amazing Grace"

"Brightest and Best of the Stars of the Morning"

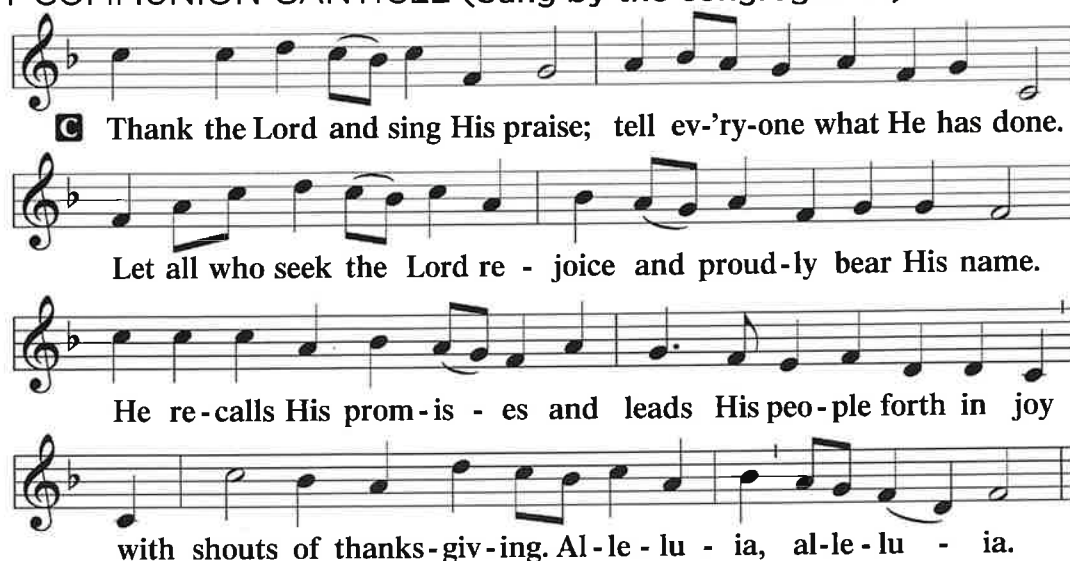
"Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence"

Hymn 414  
arr. Althouse  
Hymn 400  
Hymn 621

## THE DISMISSAL

### THE POST COMMUNION CANTICLE (Sung by the congregation)

LSB, 165



**G** Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.  
Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear His name.  
He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy  
with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

### THE POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

LSB, 166

Leader: O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever.

People:



**G** A - men.

### THE BENEDICTION

Leader: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

People:



**G** A - men.

### THE CLOSING HYMN: "Alleluia, Song of Gladness"

Hymn 417

### THE POSTLUDE: "The Good Life"

"From All That Dwells Below the Skies"

arr. Nowlin  
arr. Hildebrand

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: Gen. 3:1-21; Ps. 32:1-7; Rom. 5:12-19; Matt. 4:1-11

THE FLOWERS adorning His altar were given to the glory of God in loving memory of Ivan Yeiter from Pat and family; in loving memory of our parents, Orby and Dolores Hurless from Deb, Pam and Lee; and in loving memory of the February birthdays of Debra Wyss, Fred Wyss and Herb Bulmahn from David and Karen Wyss.

## **SERVING**

<b>Liturgist</b>	Seminarian Brad Larson
<b>Acolyte</b>	Samantha Adams
<b>Organ</b>	Anna Snodgrass
<b>Trumpet</b>	Maria Snodgrass
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Marilyn Brenner, John and Donna Hofrichter, Mike and Wanda Reuille, and Judy Kalb
<b>Usher Crew 4</b>	Thim Reed, Mike Shively, Ron Ahrens, Thomas Bay, Dave Behling, Christian Behling, Troy Hockemeyer, Hudson Kraft, Dick Shively, Steve Williams, David Wyss
<b>Communion</b>	Justin Arkkelin, Jon Bay, Drew Brown, Tim Burns
<b>Closer</b>	Nick and Lauryn Longworth
<b>Audio</b>	Ryan Springer

# The Prayers of the Church

## **Prayer Requests**

- Our congregation continues to care for one another through a faithful prayer ministry. Please pray for the following people this week:
  - We pray for Callaghan May Miller on the occasion of her Baptism. We ask God to strengthen Callaghan as she grows and to bless her parents Joshua and Katelyn, and her sponsors Zach and Jessica Strasser and Tim and Leah Koehlinger as they raise and nurture Callaghan in her Baptismal faith.
  - Pray for strength, healing, peace and comfort for Pam Carmichael (sister of Deb Percy), Steve Herman, River Garcia (grandson of Raquel Klug), Carlton Grotrian (father of Karla Neeld), Ricky Carmickle (brother-in-law of Deb Percy), Alycia Williams, Gene Franklin (father of Sandy Behling), Vickie Kidwell (mother of Sandy Behling), Phil Arthur, Deb Percy, Ed Braun, Norv McClure, Janine (friend of Lauryn Longworth), Gracelynn Anderson (granddaughter of Tim and Cindy Anderson), Randi Gramling (cousin of Deb Percy), Stan Thompson, Deb Epperson, Salem Lee Hilty, Faith Behling, William Rush, Wayne McClure, LuAnn Reichhart (mom of Brent Reichhart), Cohen (grandson of Matt and Kim Benne), Lynn Auman

(father of Kim Faley), Amanda Cornyn-Bradford (daughter of Mike and Aprel Cornyn), Michaela Procise

- Pray for the following people recovering from surgery: Jan Reche, Anne Kelly, Wes Harless, Jim Bennett, Amy Konow, Molly Keltsch, Larry Von Gunten
- Pray for healing, comfort and peace for the following people with cancer: Bonnie Havener (sister-in-law of George and Becki Elonzae), Karen Burtch (sister-in-law of Lori Richey), Amy Krontz (daughter-in-law of David and Karen Wyss), Mary Grosjean, Peg Davis, Ashley Edge (niece of Barb and Gary Lesh), Barb Hambrock, Julie McMichael (niece of Deb Percy), Bob and Jenny Hobby (brother-in-law and sister of Chris Murphy), Shelly Koenig (friend of Matt & Amy Konow), Rob Howe, Judi Brunow, Josh Walters (friend of Patty Rouse), Judy Baumgartner (mother of Kristin Smith), Tina Bennett, Dennis McFadden, Lisa Toth (Pepple), Laura Herrick (Caroline Eber's niece), Art Klausmeier, Roger Kuehnert, John Jennings (friend of Dave and Tammy Bair), Bruce Williams, Rob Roehm, Ann Schwartz, Hazel Krenzke (Brian and Anna Snodgrass's niece), Robert Burmeister (Hannah Swor's dad), Roxanne Moore, Marsha Sappenfield, Jenny Nehrenz (niece of Charlene Hess), Rick Bair (brother of Dave and Tammy Bair), Gary Thompson (father of Carly Bennett)
- Prayers for PALS - PALS is a program in which Emmanuel members partner with Washington School students to build relationships and strengthen reading skills in a Christian environment. Each week we will pray for some of our Washington School PALS or helpers, and we encourage you to join us in the ministry. This week, we are praying for Justin & Daisey.
- Join our staff in praying for the following members:
  - Steve and Pamela Bryan
  - Jim and Kimberly Buckhardt
  - Tony Buckhardt
  - Linda Buell
  - Josh Buesching
  - Kathy Buesching
  - Nathan Buesching
  - Brian Bulmahn
  - Dale and Pat Bultemeier
  - Rick Burke, Jr.
- Please pray for the missions supported by Emmanuel's congregation:
  - Rev. James and Deaconess Christel Neuendorf - Ponce, Puerto Rico
  - Lutheran Agency for Missions to Burmese (LAMB)
  - Rev. Michael Paul - Taiwan

- Heidi Wilkinson – Ethiopia
- The Lutheran Heritage Foundation
- Luther Academy
- Lutheran Senior Care Ministry (LSCM)
- Lutherans For Life (LFL)
- Lutheran Bible Translators

If you have a prayer request that you would like to make known to our Emmanuel family, please email me at [taeggold@hotmail.com](mailto:taeggold@hotmail.com). If you would like to join the Emmanuel Prayer Chain, please email Marsha Sappenfield at [marshasappenfield@comcast.net](mailto:marshasappenfield@comcast.net) or call 260-616-0679.

**Prayer of Thanksgiving for Baptism:** Thank God for the baptisms so far in 2026:  
Callaghan Miller

## The Teaching of the Church

**Want Help Growing in the Word?** Regularly visit Pastor Brunow's website <http://www.genesbrunotes.com>. The website offers notes on each chapter of Scripture, Bible studies, tips for preparing for worship, and a weekly devotion based on the Gospel reading for the coming week. You can find these devotions under the "Sermon Notes Plus" option.

### Sunday School and Bible Class 9:15 – 10:15 a.m.

CLASS	LOCATION
Little Flock (Birth – Age 3)	School Room A5 (Extended Care)
4-5 Year Olds	School Room A3
K-1 <sup>st</sup> Grade	School Room A1
2 <sup>nd</sup> -3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade	School Room B3
4 <sup>th</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	School Room B5
6 <sup>th</sup> -7 <sup>th</sup> Grade	School Room D2
8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	School Room D3 (Art/Science)
High School	Loft
Lutheran Christianity	Brandt Hall
Galatians	LL Ebenezer
Living Faithfully in a Fallen World	Sanctuary

### Weekday Bible Classes...

CLASS	LOCATION	DAY	TIME
Monday Morning Moms	Loft	Monday (every other)	8:30 a.m.
LifeLight: Luke	Ebenezer Hall	Mondays	3:30 p.m.
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Study the Psalms	Chapman's	Tuesday	6:00 p.m.



Men's Lectionary Study	Ebenezer Hall	Wednesdays	6:30 a.m.
Women's Bible Study	Brandt Hall	Wednesdays	8:30 a.m.
Pastor's Bible Study	Ebenezer Hall	Wednesdays	10:00 a.m.
Friends in the Word	Loft	Thursday (every other)	8:30 a.m.
Bible Study & Fellowship	Chapman's	Thursdays	6:00 p.m.
@917 (Ages 25-45)	Ebenezer Hall	Thursdays	7:00 p.m.
This Is Most Certainly Brew	Brandt Hall	Fridays	6:30 a.m.

**Monday Morning Moms** - Hey, mama! We hope you'll join us every other Monday morning as we journey through the salvation story of the Old Testament using Chad Bird's book "Hitchhiking with the Prophets". Drop your kids off in LL Ebenezer with our amazing caregivers. Then, head upstairs to the Loft to enjoy fellowship, a cup of coffee, and study with other moms. The dates are: February 23, March 9 & 23, April 13 & 27, and May 11 from 8:30 - 10:00 a.m. Questions? Contact Liz Bejot - [LBejot@emmanuel Lutheran.org](mailto:LBejot@emmanuel Lutheran.org).

**Friends in the Word** meet every other Thursday morning, 8:30 - 10:00 a.m., in the Loft. Here are the scheduled dates: February 26, March 12 and 26, April 16 and 30, and May 14. We hope to see you there!

## The News of the Church

**Easter Flowers** - It's hard to imagine ordering Easter flowers when it's cold outside and with snow on the ground. Easter is on Sunday, April 5 **and the deadline to order your flower(s) is Monday, March 9.** Order forms can be picked up from the Connections Counter in Ebenezer, the Welcome Center, or you can print one from the email newsletter. Please submit your form along with payment to the church office. If paying by check, please make it payable to Emmanuel. Your flowers will be available for pick up after the 11:00 service on Easter Day.

**"The Story Continues" in 2026** - We are excited to announce that Emmanuel has officially launched a planning process designed to seek the Lord's direction for a renewed congregational vision. Led by our ministry staff, Elders, Church Council, and a Vision Team representing different groups within our church family, in the coming months, we will be listening to the congregation, analyzing pertinent data about our community, and discerning a concise vision for the future of the ministry we share. Building on our "I Love to Tell the Story" journey last fall, the goal of this process is to present a clear vision to the congregation for approval in the November congregational meeting. Please pray for this planning process and take advantage of opportunities to contribute to it as "The Story Continues."

**Emmanuel Food Pantry Drive** – For more than 17 years, Emmanuel’s food bank has served families in our church and community, assisting an average of 40 families each month with food, personal hygiene items, and household supplies. The Food Pantry is open on the third Thursday of every month, from 3:30 – 5:00 p.m. It is supported almost entirely by donations and volunteers and currently requires \$16,000 in monetary support each year. During February, we invite you to help support this ministry by donating non-expired food, hygiene, or cleaning items, or by making a designated monetary gift for the food pantry. Donations may be placed in the marked bins in Ebenezer Hall. Thank you for helping us care for our neighbors in need throughout the year.

**Euchre Night** - Calling all card players! Emmanuel’s Senior High Youth Group (EYG) will host its annual Euchre Tournament on Saturday, February 21, from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. in the lower level of Ebenezer Hall. The entry fee is \$10 per participant. Snacks and beverages will be provided, and all proceeds will help cover the cost of shipping care packages to Emmanuel’s college students. Register with a partner or sign up individually and we’ll pair you with someone when you arrive.



**Lunch Bunch (60+)** – The next Lunch Bunch is Tuesday, February 17. Our special guests will be from Fairhaven Funeral Home, as well as an elder law attorney. They look forward to sharing how to make necessary arrangements before you need them. They will offer information about preplanning protections and protecting your assets as well as address any questions you might have, helpful information even if you have already completed some preplanning.

**Eagles Rise** - ESM’s annual dinner auction and will be held Friday, March 6 from 6:00 - 9:30 p.m. at Parkview Mirro Center. Tickets are \$50 per person for early registration until February 16th (\$60 after). Scan the QR code for more info and to register to attend.



**Eagles Rise Auction Donations** - Now collecting donations! Please contact either of our auction coordinators if you have something to give! Erin Neuenschwander at 260.417.8373 or Lisa Terrell at 260.710.1949. All items should be gathered by Thursday, February 26.

**Trivia Night: Save the Date!** The EYG hosted Trivia Night will take place Saturday, March 21, 6:00 - 9:00 p.m. in the gymnasium.

**ESM Kindergarten Enrollment** - With so many schools in the area to choose from, making the decision about where your child will begin their education is easier said than done. We invite you to join us on February 17 for our Kindergarten Information and Enrollment session to get a clear picture of what ESM is all about. To learn more and register, please scan the QR code.





**ESM Preschool Enrollment** - As a parent, we understand that no one knows your child's unique needs better than you. Finding a school that will reinforce the values you are instilling at home is crucial. We invite you to join us on February 19 for our Preschool Information and Enrollment sessions to get a clear picture of what ESM is all about. To learn more and register, please scan the QR code.



**Save the Date for Emmanuel's VBS** - Join us June 22-26, as we walk the streets of Rome! Explore the Underground Church, meet the Apostle Paul, and so much more! Mark your calendars and invite a friend! Interested in being a part of the planning team? It's forming NOW! Reach out to Liz Bejot for more information. [LBejot@emmanuel Lutheran.org](mailto:LBejot@emmanuel Lutheran.org)

**Newspaper Needed** - Do you have a stack of newspaper laying around? We would love to use it for VBS! We have some fun decor pieces we are going to start working on. Drop off any and all newspaper to the church office labeled "VBS". Thanks for your help!

**ESM Position Open** - ESM is in need of morning help with our Extended Care from 6:30 - 8:30 a.m., Monday - Friday at either Getz or Union. Individual days available if you're willing to help but can't do every day of the week. Please contact Analicia Nunez at [anunez@esmeagles.com](mailto:anunez@esmeagles.com) if you're interested or able.

## The Calendar of the Church

### Monday, February 16

ESM NO SCHOOL

3:30 p.m. Lifelight

5:30 p.m. Lifelight

6:00 p.m. Handbell Practice

7:00 p.m. WC Neighborhood

Association Meeting

### Tuesday, February 17

11:00 a.m. Lunch Bunch

6:00 p.m. Stephen Training

6:00 p.m. Psalms at Chapman's

### Wednesday, February 18

6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study

8:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study

9:00 a.m. Homeschool Religion

10:00 a.m. Pastor's Bible Study

11:30 a.m. Communion Service  
3:30 p.m. PALS  
6:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

**Thursday, February 19**

8:30 a.m. Thursday Guys  
9:00 a.m. Piece Makers  
9:00 a.m. TEC21  
3:30 p.m. Food Pantry  
6:00 p.m. Bible Study at Chapman's  
7:00 p.m. @917

**Friday, February 20**

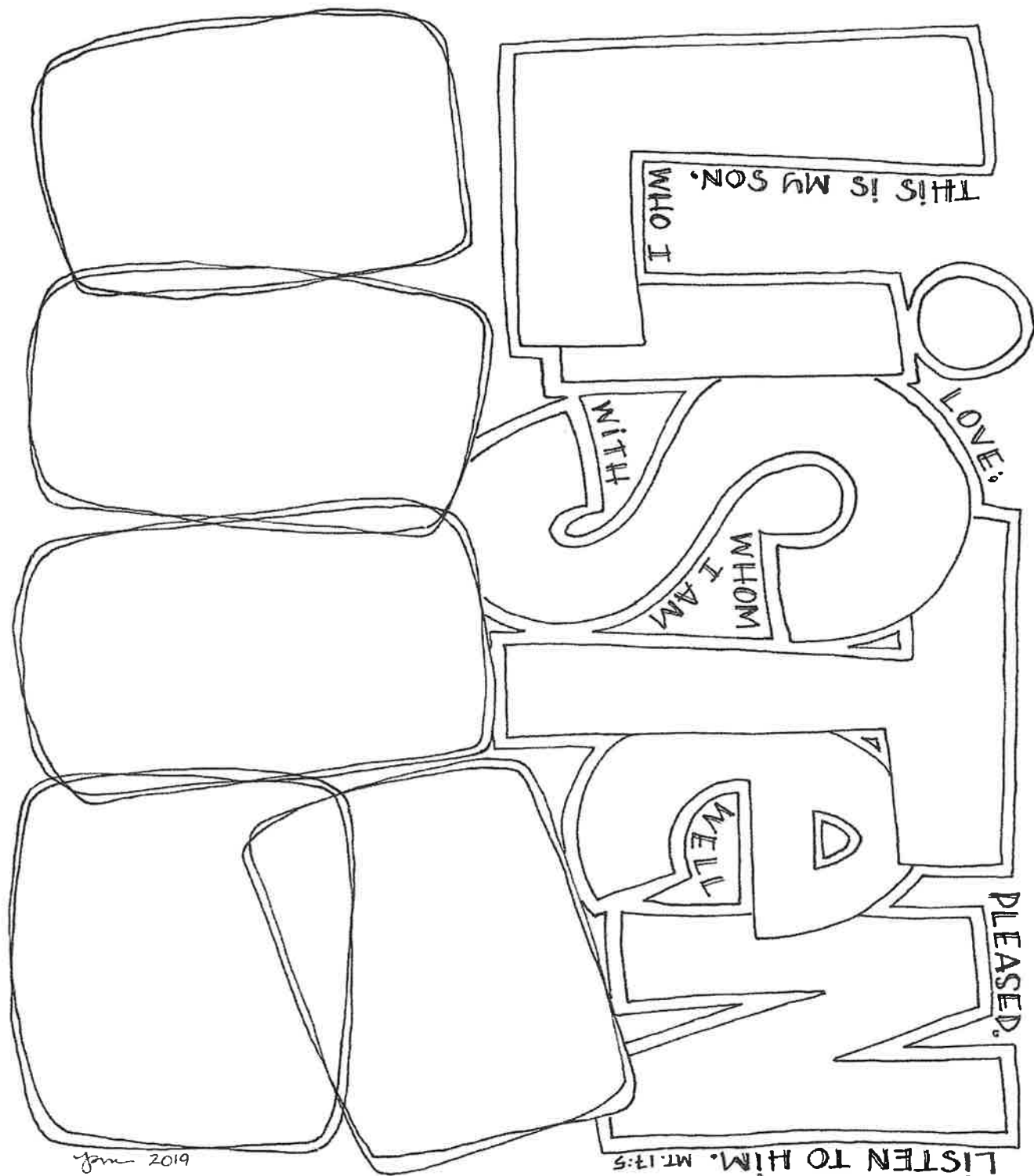
6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study  
6:30 p.m. ESM Talent Show

**Saturday, February 21**

9:30 a.m. Clay & Iron Brunch  
5:00 p.m. Divine Service  
6:00 p.m. EYG Euchre Tournament

**Sunday, February 22**

8:00 a.m. Divine Service w/  
Communion  
9:15 a.m. Sunday School & Bible  
Classes  
10:30 a.m. Divine Service



This Visual Faith resource is designed to help visual and tactile learners take worship into the week. You can find more Visual Faith resources at <https://www.visualfaithmin.org>.

# EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

*Building faith in the city*

We are a caring family of baptized Christians bound together in the forgiveness which God has provided all people through His Son, Jesus.

This family exists to announce this gift of forgiveness to individuals of all nations and cultures through the preaching of God's Word and the administration of the Sacraments. Emmanuel instructs young and old according to the confessional standard of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, and reaches out through forgiving relationships, working to connect all members of the family through caring friendships.

Emmanuel serves as shepherds of the sheep; seekers of the lost; friends of sinners; and caregivers to the poor, lonely and broken-hearted. It is a family that cares for all people and reaches out to witness to the love and forgiveness found in Jesus Christ.

**Emmanuel Worship Services** are designed to share God's love and forgiveness through the ministry of Word and Sacrament. We offer a variety of worship styles and we encourage you to worship in the liturgical style that best meets your needs.

**Saturday Evening Divine Service**—This service offers a contemporary setting and is held on Saturdays at 5:00 p.m.

**Sunday Morning Divine Services**—These services are held on Sundays at 8:00 and 10:30 a.m. and feature worship in a traditional liturgical setting.

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# 816 From All That Dwell Below the Skies



1 From all that dwell be - low the skies Let the Cre - a - tor's  
 2 E - ter - nal are Thy mer - cies, Lord; E - ter - nal truth at -  
 Δ 3 All praise to God the Fa - ther be, All praise, e - ter - nal



praise a - rise; Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 tends Thy Word. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 Son, to Thee. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!



Let the Re - deem - er's name be sung Through ev - 'ry land by  
 Thy praise shall sound from shore to shore Till suns shall rise and  
 Whom with the Spir - it we a - dore For - ev - er and for -



ev - 'ry tongue. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 set no more. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 ev - er - more: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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# Beautiful Savior

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1 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, King of cre - a - tion, Son of  
2 Fair are the mead - ows, Fair are the wood - lands, Robed in  
3 Fair is the sun - shine, Fair is the moon - light, Bright the  
4 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, Lord of the na - tions, Son of



God and Son of Man! Tru - ly I'd love Thee, Tru - ly I'd  
flow'rs of bloom - ing spring; Je - sus is fair - er, Je - sus is  
spar - kling stars on high; Je - sus shines bright - er, Je - sus shines  
God and Son of Man! Glo - ry and hon - or, Praise, ad - o -



serve Thee, Light of my soul, my joy, my crown.  
pur - er, He makes our sor - r'wing spir - it sing.  
pur - er Than all the an - gels in the sky.  
ra - tion Now and for - ev - er - more be Thine!

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# Alleluia, Song of Gladness

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1 Al - le - lu - ia, song of glad - ness, Voice of joy that  
 2 Al - le - lu - ia, thou re - sound - est, True Je - ru - sa -  
 3 Al - le - lu - ia can - not al - ways Be our song while  
 4 There - fore in our hymns we pray Thee, Grant us, bless - ed



can - not die; Al - le - lu - ia is the an - them  
 lem and free; Al - le - lu - ia, joy - ful moth - er,  
 here be - low; Al - le - lu - ia, our trans - gres - sions  
 Trin - i - ty, At the last to keep Thine Eas - ter



Ev - er raised by choirs on high; In the house of  
 All thy chil - dren sing with thee, But by Bab - y -  
 Make us for a while for - go; For the sol - emn  
 With Thy faith - ful saints on high; There to Thee for -



God a - bid - ing Thus they sing e - ter - nal - ly.  
 lon's sad wa - ters Mourn - ing ex - iles now are we.  
 time is com - ing When our tears for sin must flow.  
 ev - er sing - ing Al - le - lu - ia joy - ful - ly.