



Our Saviour  
Lutheran Church

**Order of Worship**  
January 11, 2026  
**BAPTISM OF OUR LORD**





## **PRELUDE** – A Prayer for Peace – *Michael Shea*

### **WELCOME**

### **CONFESS&ION & FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, (+) one God,  
Creator of heaven and earth,  
the Word who spoke life into being,  
the Breath of God who stirs the waters and brings new birth.  
**Amen.**

Let us turn in confession to the one who knows us completely.

*[Silence is kept for reflection.]*

Mighty God,  
**you call us to life in community,**  
**but we have served our own interests**  
**at the expense of our neighbors.**  
**We have sown deceit where honesty was needed.**  
**We say the right words,**  
**but our hearts are far from you.**  
**Turn us to seek your face.**  
**Knit us together and give us the mind of Christ,**  
**that we may do justice, love mercy,**  
**and walk humbly with you, our God.**  
**Amen.**

The former things have passed away,  
and new things God now declares:  
Like a spring of water that never fails,  
God covers you in the righteousness of Christ,  
and forgives your sin in (+) Jesus' name.  
May the Spirit give you strength to live for others,  
and bless you with the gift of peace. **Amen.**

**PROCESSIONAL SONG** – God Is Here! – ELW 526 v. 1, 4



1 God is here! As we your people meet to of - fer  
 2 Here are sym - bols to re - mind us of our life - long  
 3 Here our chil - dren find a wel - come in the Shep - herd's  
 4 Lord of all, of church and king - dom, in an age of



praise and prayer, may we find in full - er mea - sure  
 need of grace; here are ta - ble, font, and pul - pit;  
 flock and fold; here as bread and wine tak - en,  
 change and doubt, keep us faith - ful to the gos - pel;



what it is in Christ we share. Here, as in the  
 here the cross has cen - tral place. Here in hon - es -  
 Christ sus - tains us as of old. Here the ser - vants  
 help us work your pur - pose out. Here, in this day's



world a - round us, all our var - ied skills and arts  
 ty of preach-ing, here in si - lence, as in speech,  
 of the Ser - vant seek in wor - ship to ex - plore  
 ded - i - ca - tion, all we have to give, re - ceive;



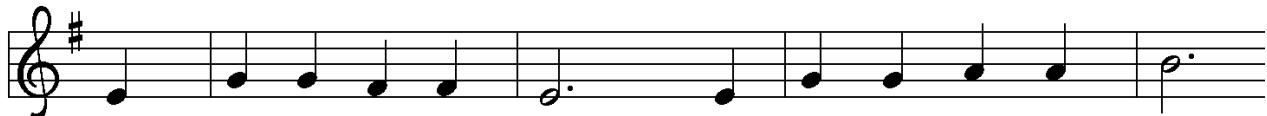
wait the com - ing of the Spir - it in - to o - pen minds and hearts.  
 here, in new - ness and re - new - al, God the Spir - it comes to each.  
 what it means in dai - ly liv - ing to be - lieve and to a - dore.  
 we, who can - not live with-out you, we a - dore you! We be - lieve!

**THE APOSTOLIC GREETING**

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

*People:* **And also with you.**

## KYRIE



1 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol - emn prayer.  
2 Have mer - cy on us, Christ, and wash a - way our sin.  
3 Have mer - cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de - part.



We come to hear your liv - ing word; it saves us from de - spair.  
Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.  
Re - new us with your sav - ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

## HYMN OF PRAISE



1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.  
2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.  
3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:  
Son of God and gra - cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;  
Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.  
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.  
Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.  
Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom-ise firm we stand.  
For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

## THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God our Father, at the baptism of Jesus you proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit. Make all who are baptized into Christ faithful to their calling to be your daughters and sons, and empower us all with your Spirit, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

## THE FIRST READING: **Isaiah 42:1-9**

Here is my servant, whom I uphold,  
    my chosen, in whom my soul delights;  
I have put my spirit upon him;  
    he will bring forth justice to the nations.  
He will not cry out or lift up his voice  
    or make it heard in the street;  
a bruised reed he will not break,  
    and a dimly burning wick he will not quench;  
    he will faithfully bring forth justice.  
He will not grow faint or be crushed  
    until he has established justice in the earth,  
    and the coastlands wait for his teaching.  
Thus says God, the LORD,  
    who created the heavens and stretched them out,  
    who spread out the earth and what comes from it,  
    who gives breath to the people upon it  
    and spirit to those who walk in it:  
I am the LORD; I have called you in righteousness;  
    I have taken you by the hand and kept you;  
I have given you as a covenant to the people,  
    a light to the nations,  
to open the eyes that are blind,  
    to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon,  
    from the prison those who sit in darkness.  
I am the LORD; that is my name;  
    my glory I give to no other,  
    nor my praise to idols.  
See, the former things have come to pass,  
    and new things I now declare;  
before they spring forth,  
    I tell you of them.

Here ends the reading. Word of God, Word of Life...  
People: **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 29** (*Read responsively by half verse.*)

Ascribe to the Lord, O heavenly beings,  
**ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.**

Ascribe to the Lord the glory of his name;  
**worship the Lord in holy splendor.**

The voice of the Lord is over the waters;  
**the God of glory thunders, the Lord, over mighty waters.**

The voice of the Lord is powerful;  
**the voice of the Lord is full of majesty.**

The voice of the Lord breaks the cedars;  
**the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon.**

He makes Lebanon skip like a calf  
**and Sirion like a young wild ox.**

The voice of the Lord flashes forth flames of fire.  
**The voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness;**  
**the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.**

The voice of the Lord causes the oaks to whirl and strips  
the forest bare,  
**and in his temple all say, "Glory!"**

The Lord sits enthroned over the flood;  
**the Lord sits enthroned as king forever.**

May the Lord give strength to his people!  
**May the Lord bless his people with peace!**

**THE CHILDREN'S SERMON**

## THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

*Pastor:* The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the third chapter.

*People:* **Glory to you, O Lord.**

## THE GOSPEL READING: Matthew 3:13-17

Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now, for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness." Then he consented. And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw God's Spirit descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from the heavens said, "This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased."

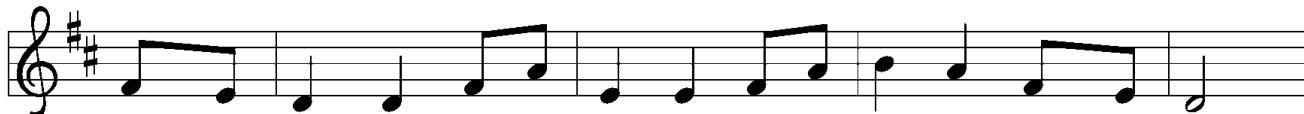
*Pastor:* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People:* **Praise to you, O Christ!**

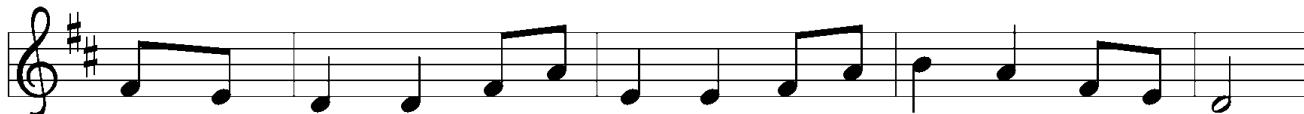
## THE SERMON – THE WAY OF JESUS: MISSION – Water and the Word

*Pastor Frank Waugh*

## **HYMN OF THE DAY – Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing – ELW 807**



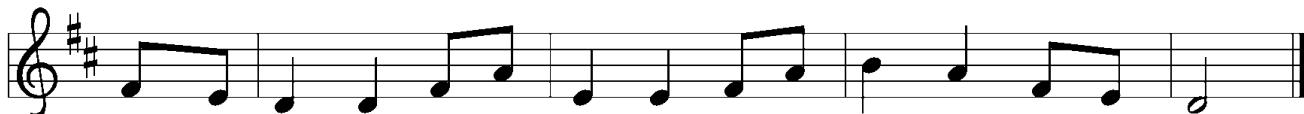
1 Come, thou Fount of ev - 'ry bless-ing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;  
2 Here I raise my Eb - en - e - zer: "Hith-er by thy help I've come";  
3 Oh, to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con-strained to be;



streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.  
and I hope, by thy good plea - sure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home.  
let that grace now like a fet - ter bind my wan-d'ring heart to thee.



While the hope of end-less glo - ry fills my heart with joy and love,  
Je - sus sought me when a strang - er, wan - d'ring from the fold of God;  
Prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it; prone to leave the God I love.



teach me ev - er to a - dore thee; may I still thy good-ness prove.  
he, to res - cue me from dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.  
Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it; seal it for thy courts a - bove.

## **THE RITE OF HOLY BAPTISM – Matsuda Family**

### **PRESENTATION**

*Pastor:* God, who is rich in mercy and love, gives us a new birth into a living hope through the sacrament of baptism. By water and the Word God delivers us from sin and death and raises us to new life in Jesus Christ. We are united with all the baptized in the one body of Christ, anointed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, and joined in God's mission for the life of the world.

*[Sponsor: I present these candidates for baptism.]*

*Pastor to adult candidate:* [Name], called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to be baptized into Christ?

*[I do.]*

*Pastor to parents:* Called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to have your children baptized into Christ?

*[Parents: We do.]*

*Pastor:* As you bring your children to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with responsibilities:

to live with them among God's faithful people,  
bring them to the word of God and the holy supper,  
teach them the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments,  
place in their hands the holy scriptures,  
and nurture them in faith and prayer,  
so that your children may learn to trust God, proclaim Christ through word and deed, care for others and the world God made,  
and work for justice and peace.

Do you promise to help your children grow in the Christian faith and life?

*[Parents: We do.]*

*Pastor:* People of God, do you promise to support this family and pray for them in their new life in Christ?

**Congregation: We do.**

## **PROFESSION OF FAITH**

*Pastor:* I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church. Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

*[Parents: I renounce them.]*

*Pastor:* Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

*[Parents: I renounce them.]*

*Pastor:* Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

*[Parents: I renounce them.]*

*Pastor:* Do you believe in God the Father?

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

*Pastor:* Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**All: 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.**

*Pastor:* Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**All: 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.**

## **THANKSGIVING AT THE FONT**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Blessed are you, holy God. You are the creator of the waters of the earth. Your Son Jesus promised to send the Spirit to us that the world may know your peace and truth. Pour out your Holy Spirit and breathe new life into these candidates who are here baptized. By your Spirit adopt us all as your children, through our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

## **THE BAPTISM**

*Pastor:* [Name], I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

*Pastor:* Let us pray.

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your children new birth, cleanse them from sin, and raise them to eternal life. Sustain this family with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever. **Amen.**

*Pastor:* [Name], child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever. **Amen.**

*Pastor:* Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

## WELCOME

*Pastor:* Let us welcome the newly baptized.

**All: We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.**

## THE PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

## THE PEACE

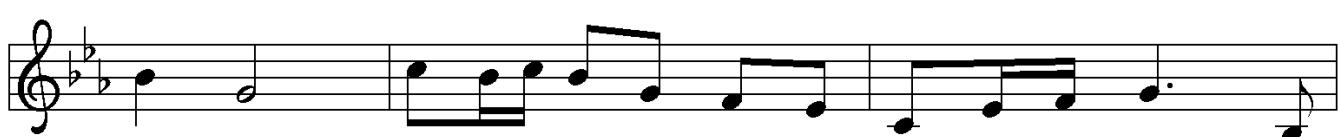
## THE OFFERING

**OFFERING MUSIC** – Offertory in Land of Rest – *David Paston*

**THE OFFERING RESPONSE** – ELW #184



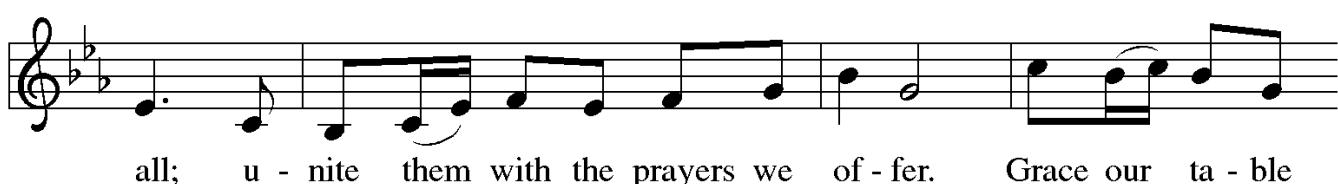
Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of



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. Grace our ta - ble



with your pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

## THE OFFERTORY PRAYER

God of majesty,  
no eye has seen, no ear has heard  
what you have prepared for those who love you,  
yet in this meal you reveal the wideness of your mercy.  
Use what we have gathered  
to feed us with the reign of God come near,  
Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

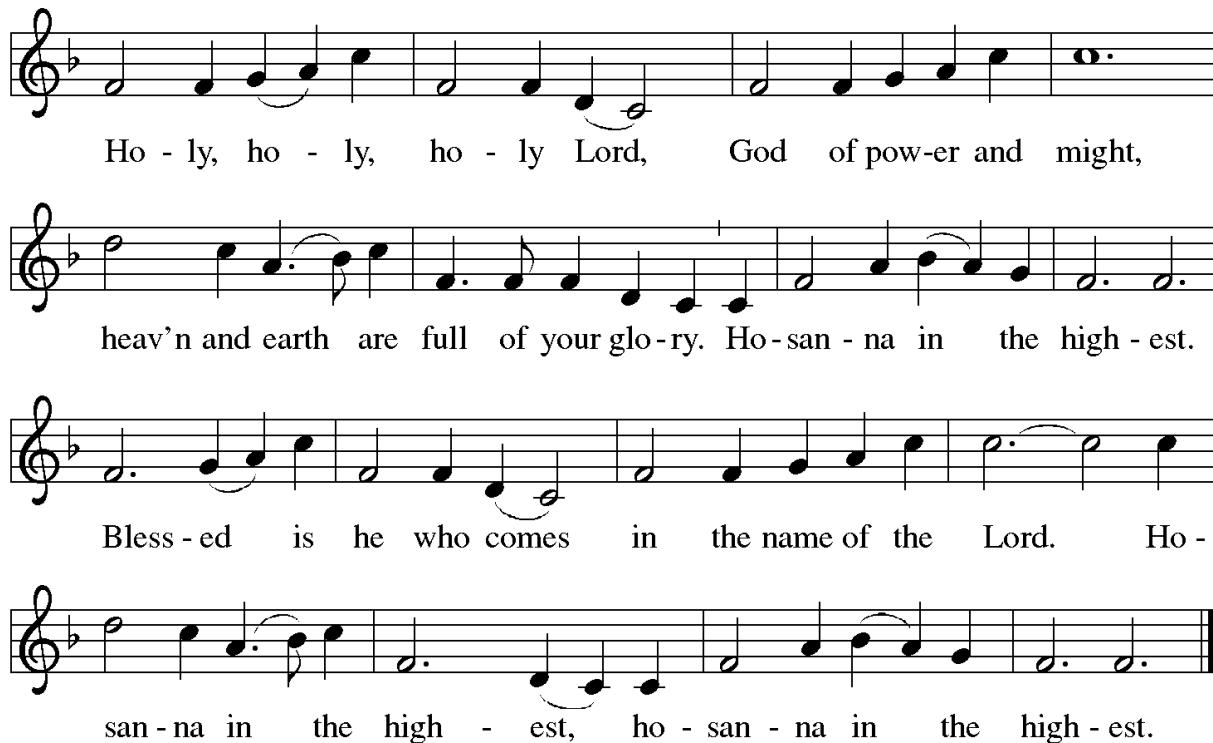
**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## THE PREFACE

## THE SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er 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, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

### 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.**

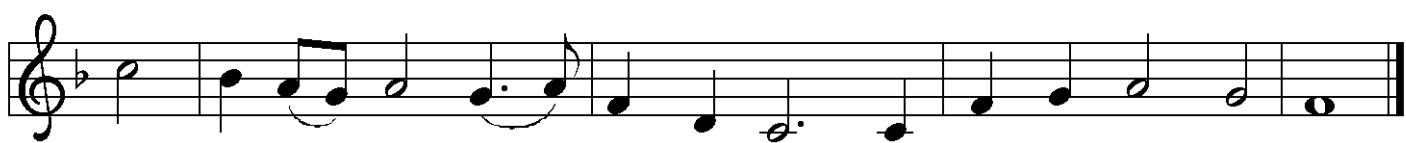
### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!  
Come to the table; taste and see.

### AGNUS DEI



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;  
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;  
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer - cy now, we pray.  
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer - cy now, we pray.  
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

## **HOLY COMMUNION**

*We believe and teach that the Real Presence of Christ is present in, under and through the bread and wine as means of grace, offering forgiveness of sins and new life to believers in Christ. Baptized followers of Jesus are welcome to partake of the sacrament regardless of denominational affiliation. Small children and unbaptized adults are invited to come forward to receive a blessing. We ask older children and adults seeking the blessing to cross hands to shoulders to indicate a desire for blessing.*

**COMMUNION MUSIC** – The Bread, the Wine, the Word  
– *James Southbridge*

## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Radiant God,  
we have seen your glory in the face of Jesus Christ.  
In the sacrament of his body and blood  
you have drawn us to your heart.  
Send us from this table with delight,  
that our lives may reflect the beauty of your love,  
and bear witness to all we have seen and heard,  
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

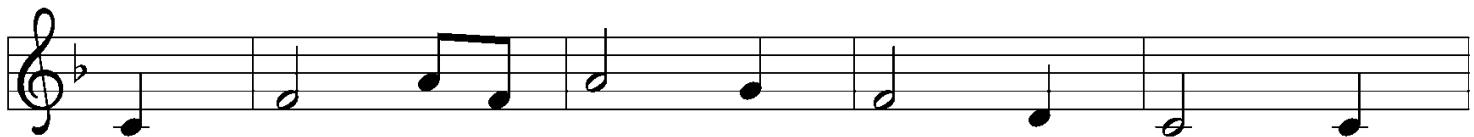
**Amen.**

## **THE BLESSING**

May the triune God,  
who has put a new song in your mouth  
and tuned your heart for praise  
(+) bless you now and forever.

**Amen.**

**THE SENDING SONG** – Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound – ELW 779  
v. 1-2, 4



1 A - maz - ing grace!— how sweet the sound— that  
2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,  
3 Through man - y dan - gers, to and snares I  
4 The Lord has prom - ised good to me; his  
5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright



saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but  
grace my fears re - lieved; how pre - cious did that  
have al - read - y come; 'tis grace has brought me  
word my hope se - cures; he will my shield and  
shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to



now am found; was blind, but now I see.  
grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!  
safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.  
por - tion be as long as life en - dures.  
sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

**THE DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Follow the steps of Jesus. Do justice and love mercy.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE**