ST. AUGUSTINE'S

Episcopal Church in Kapa'au, Hawai'i

A place to BE the love of God and to FEEL the love of God.

HOLY EUCHARIST

in person & livestreamed

August 11, 2024 7:00 am & 9:00 am

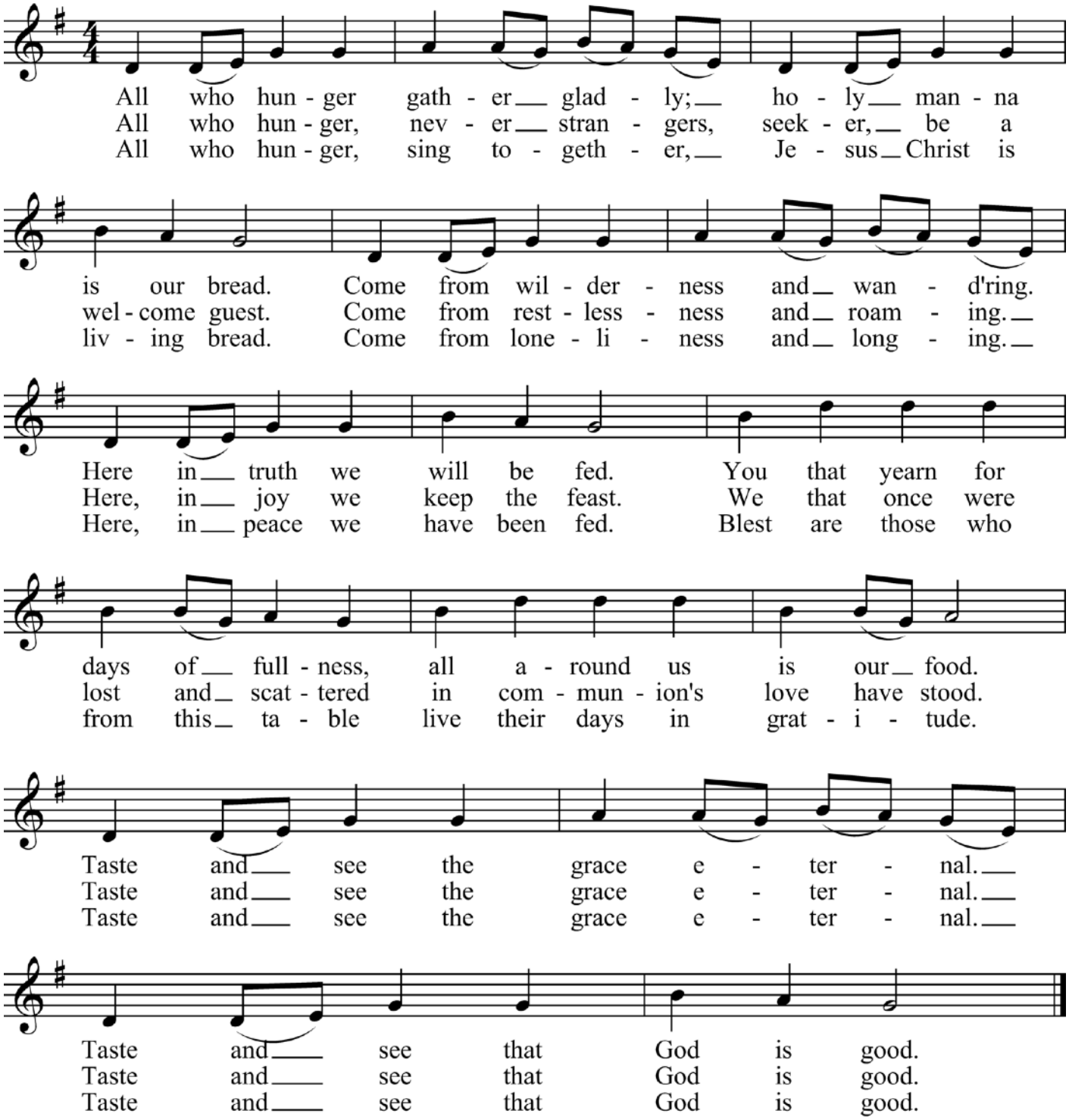
Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude

Kirk Corey, organ

Please stand as you are able for the opening hymn.

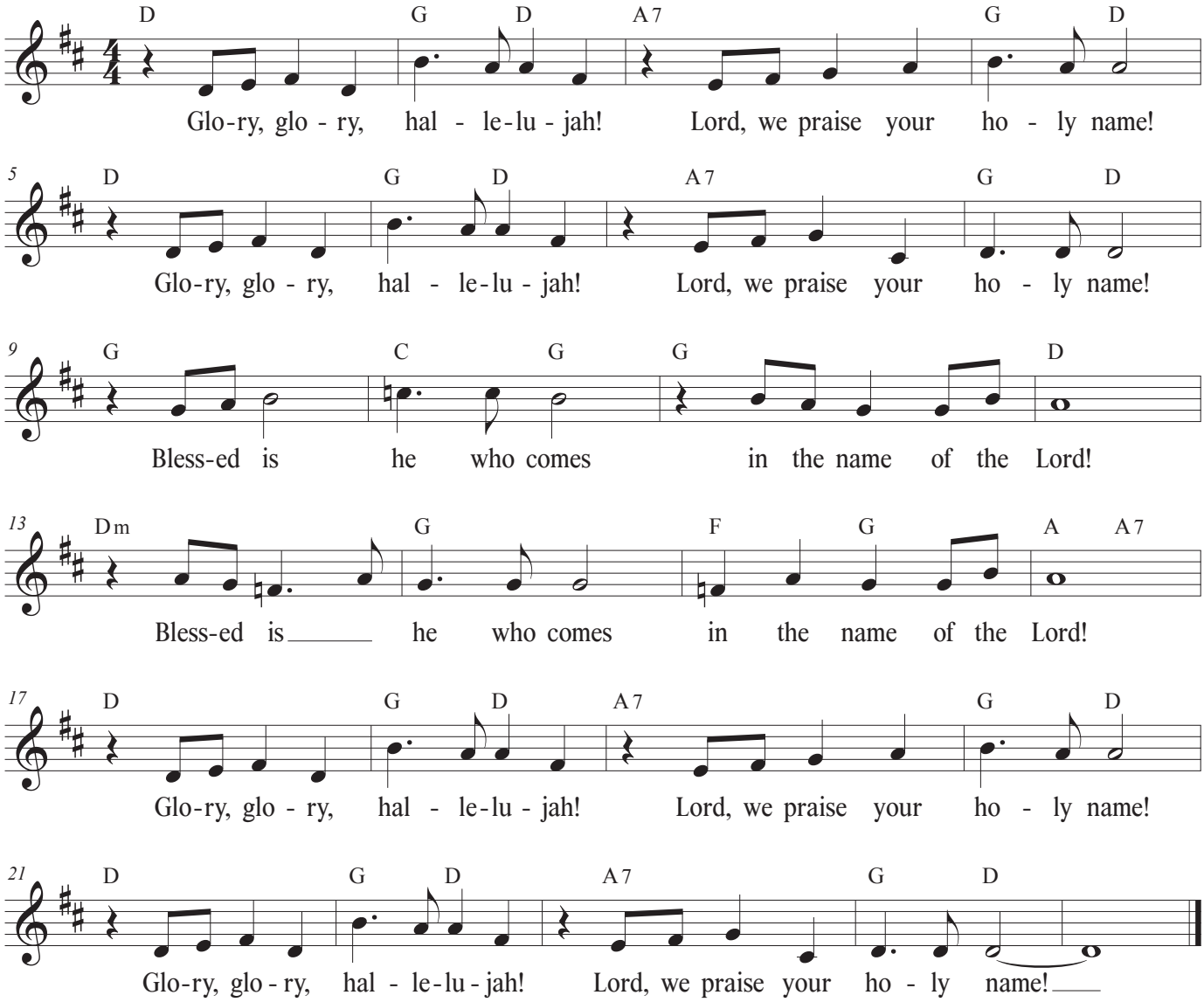
Opening Hymn *All who hunger gather gladly* My Heart Sings Out #52



Opening Acclamation

Presider Blessed be God the Creator, the Light, and the Spirit of Truth.
People **And blessed be all of God's creation, now and forever. Amen.**

Gloria (*Autumn-tide*) by Mila Polevia



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The Collect

Presider God be with you.
People And also with you.
Presider Let us pray.
Unseen God, drawing all people to the end of our desires: teach us to know true bread from false and to feed on him who shares our flesh to share your love, Jesus Christ, our communion. **Amen.**

Source: Prayers for an Inclusive Church Steven Shakespeare

Please be seated.

The Lessons

The First Reading

2 Samuel 18:5-9, 15, 31-33

Reader A reading from the Second Book of Samuel.

The king, David, ordered Joab and Abishai and Ittai, saying, "Deal gently for my sake with the young man Absalom." And all the people heard when the king gave orders to all the commanders concerning Absalom. So the army went out into the field against Israel; and the battle was fought in the forest of Ephraim. The men of Israel were defeated there by the servants of David, and the slaughter there was great on that day, twenty thousand men. The battle spread over the face of all the country; and the forest claimed more victims that day than the sword. Absalom happened to meet the servants of David.

Absalom was riding on his mule, and the mule went under the thick branches of a great oak. His head caught fast in the oak, and he was left hanging between heaven and earth, while the mule that was under him went on. And ten young men, Joab's armor-bearers, surrounded Absalom and struck him, and killed him.

Then the Cushite came; and the Cushite said, "Good tidings for my lord the king! For the Lord has vindicated you this day, delivering you from the power of all who rose up against you." The king said to the Cushite, "Is it well with the young man Absalom?" The Cushite answered, "May the enemies of my lord the king, and all who rise up to do you harm, be like that young man."

The king was deeply moved, and went up to the chamber over the gate, and wept; and as he went, he said, "O my son Absalom, my son, my son Absalom! Would I had died instead of you, O Absalom, my son, my son!""

Reader Here ends the reading.
People **May Spirit open our hearts and minds.**

The Psalm

Psalm 130 *De profundis*

Reader We will read the Psalm responsively by half verse.

Out of the depths have I called to you, O Lord;
Lord, hear my voice; *
let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.

If you, Lord, were to note what is done amiss, *
O Lord, who could stand?

For there is forgiveness with you; *
therefore you shall be feared.

I wait for the Lord; my soul waits for him; *
in his word is my hope.

My soul waits for the Lord,
more than watchmen for the morning, *
more than watchmen for the morning.

O Israel, wait for the Lord, *
for with the Lord there is mercy;

With him there is plenteous redemption, *
and he shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

The Epistle

Ephesians 4:25-5:2

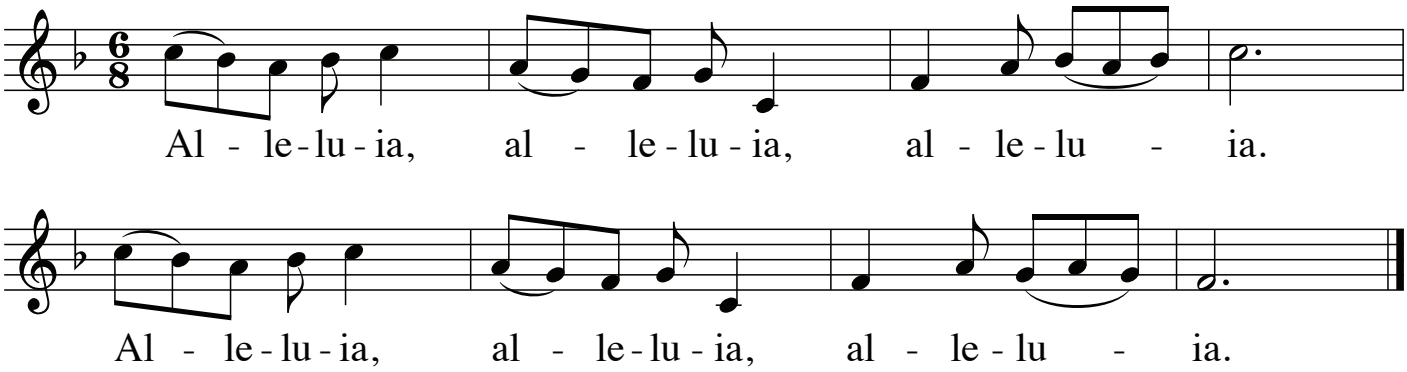
Reader A reading from Paul's letter to the Ephesians.

Putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbors, for we are members of one another. Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and do not make room for the devil. Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labor and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

Reader Here ends the reading.
People **May Spirit open our hearts and minds.**

Please stand as you are able.

Gospel Acclamation *Alleluia* Gather 3rd Edition #231



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Gospel

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.
People **Glory to you, O Christ.**

John 6:35, 41-51

Jesus said, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." They were saying, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" Jesus answered them, "Do not complain among yourselves. No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

Deacon The Gospel of our Savior.
People **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Please be seated.

The Sermon

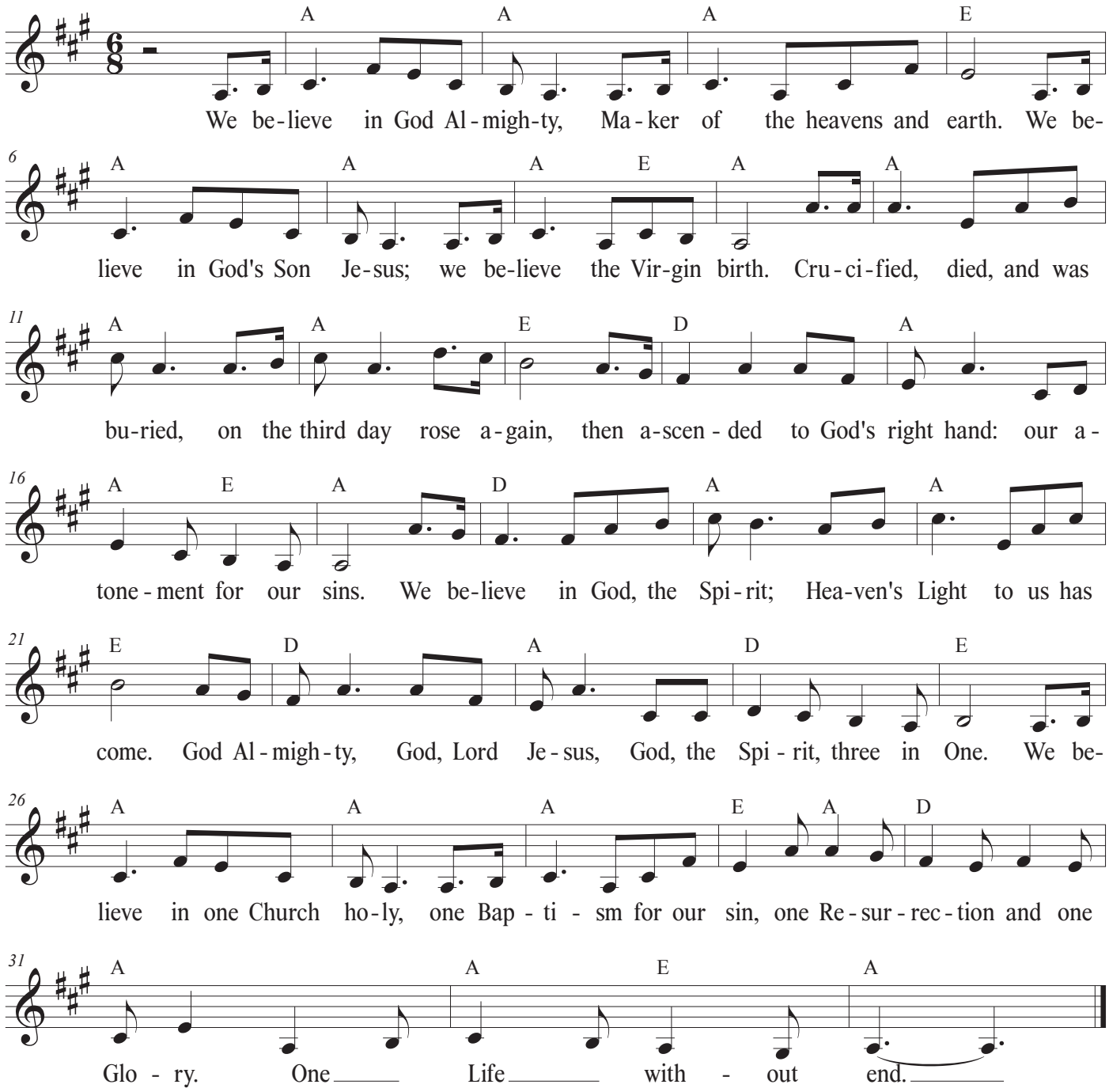
The Rev. Jennifer Masada

Music for reflection and gathering of prayers. Please hand them to the deacon or priest.

Please stand as you are able.

The Affirmation

Metrical Creed (Autumn tide) by Mila Polevia



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Prayers of the People

Deacon God of all that is good, in Scripture you give us your vision for the world. In love you give us your grace. In wisdom you give us each other. For this we give you thanks and, as one body, offer ourselves and each other as we pray.

For the church. For every community of faith where love is proclaimed as the core of our lives and our living.

In the diocesan cycle of prayer, we pray for the clergy, staff, congregation, families, and community of St. Jude's. In our Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray for the Anglican Church of Korea.

(*The people add their prayers silently or aloud.*)

God who unites us all,

People **Bless us and all people.**

Deacon For the promise of the faith we profess in these times of uncertainty. For the possibilities that come from your imagination, and for the gifts you give us to fulfill the vision of ministry and mission you set before us.

(*The people add their prayers silently or aloud.*)

God of your servants in this place,

People **Bless us to be your hands in the world.**

Deacon For eyes to see the sacred in our everyday lives, believing that, with you, we can make a difference, as we claim the Living Waters of Baptism that flow through all we do and are together.

(*The people add their prayers silently or aloud.*)

God who entered the Jordan River,

People **We remember the promises made at our baptism.**

Deacon For the world around us. For nations and people far away. For their hopes and fears, and for those who weep and those who dance in every part of your world.

(*The people add their prayers silently or aloud.*)

God of Love in diversity,

People **Open our hearts to both strangers and friends.**

Deacon For our own nation. For a vision of freedom where privilege is shared, and compassion informs our decisions, and clarifies our responsibility.

(The people add their prayers silently or aloud.)

God who works in everything,

People **Open our eyes to your longing in our public life.**

Deacon For the courage to learn the names of those around us, and to honor the beauty of their gifts, as well as the urgency of their needs.

(The people add their prayers silently or aloud.)

God who makes power of powerlessness,

People **Make us channels of justice and peace.**

Deacon For those who suffer. For the gift of being companions with them, that we may bless, with you, those in our midst who are tired or hurting, and those who trust us to pray for them.

(The people add their prayers silently or aloud.)

God who enfolds us in your own wounds,

People **Open our hearts to know the healing power of your love.**

Deacon For those who have died (especially…), that we may know the presence of the cloud of witnesses around us as we seek to be your people. Bless those who mourn and those who, in their grief, know the sure and certain promise of eternal life in you.

(The people add their prayers silently or aloud.)

God of forever and from before time,

People **We praise you for the wonder of eternal life.**

Concluding Collect for the Prayers of the People

Presider God of creation, behold your servants here, created in your own image. Bless us as we seek to be your faithful people. Bring us now to your table in hope and in joy. In the confidence of the One who has shown us a way to live, your only son, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

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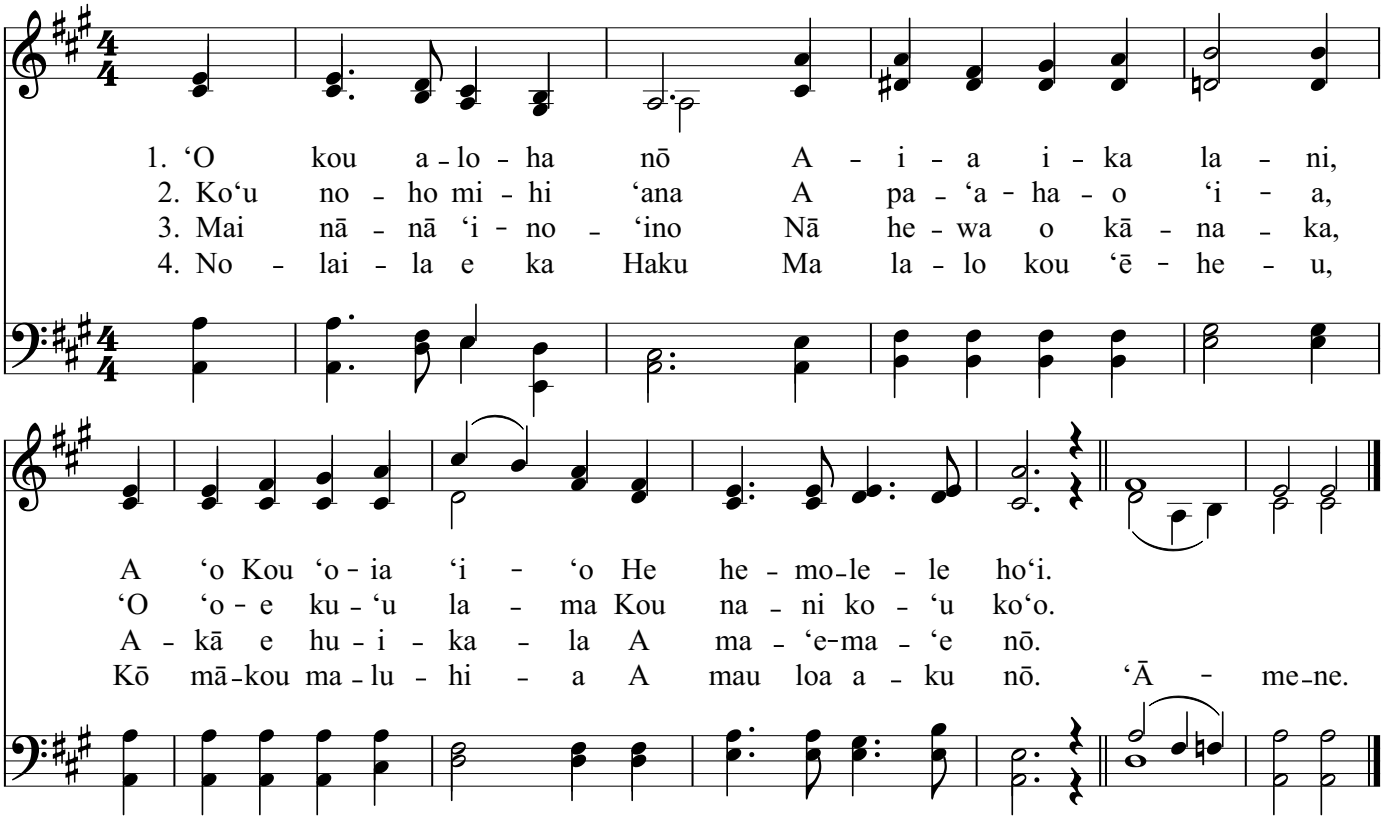
Confession of Sin

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All **Most merciful God,**
we confess that 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 are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Presider Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Queen's Prayer



Translation of The Queen's Prayer: *Your loving mercy is as high as heaven and your truth so perfect. I live in sorrow, imprisoned. You are my light. Your glory, my support. Behold not with malevolence the sins of man, but forgive and cleanse. And so, O God, protect us beneath your winds and let peace be our portion now and forever more. Amen.*

Please be seated.

Announcements

Announcements of birthdays, anniversaries, and church events for the upcoming week.

The Peace

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

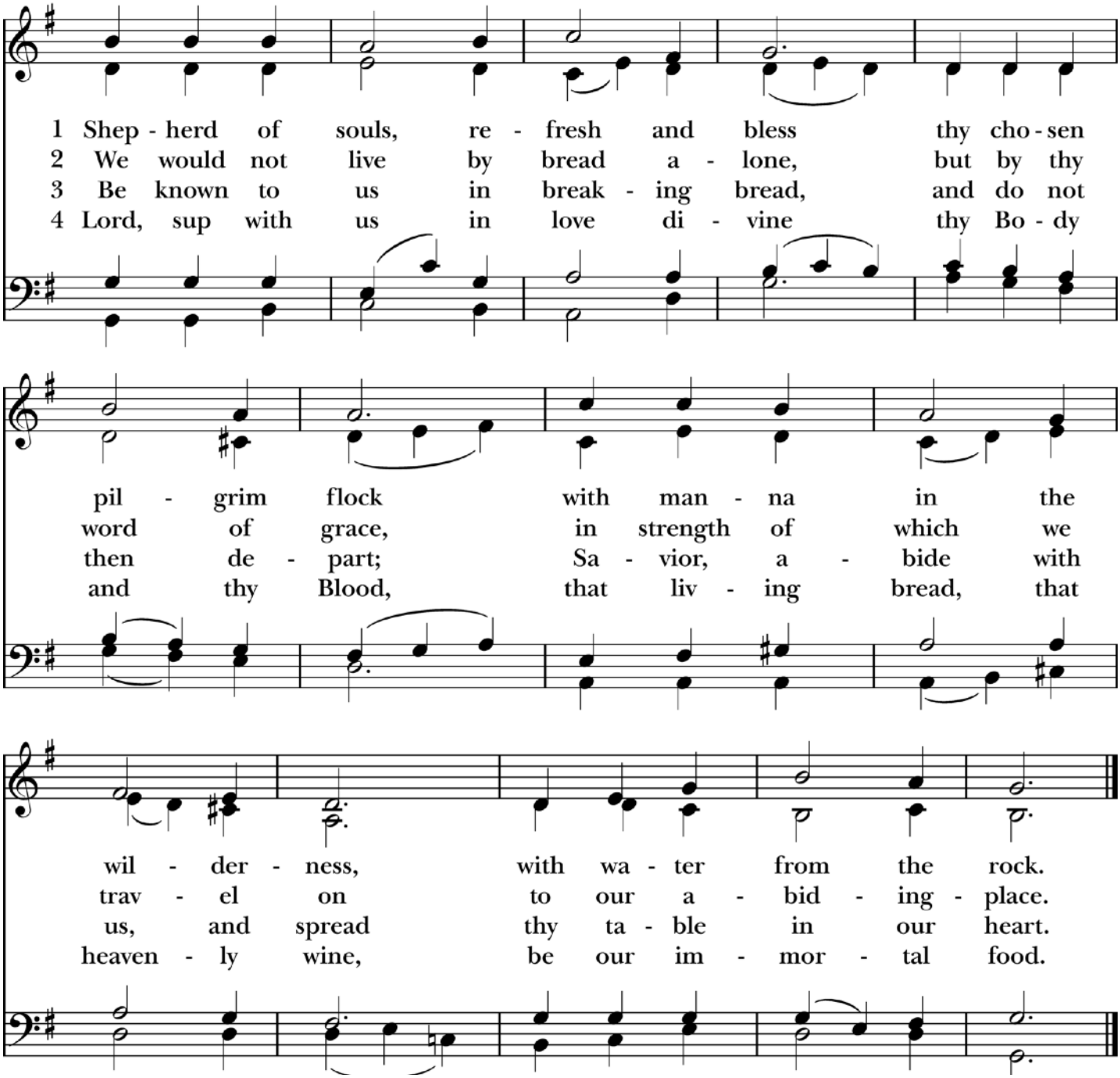
The Holy Communion

Offertory

All **We come with offerings of our time, our money, our strength, our pleasure in one another's company. All these we bring to God in dedication and for use in the glory of the realm of God.**

The oblationers bring the bread and wine to the deacon at the altar.

Offertory hymn *Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless* 1982 Hymnal #343



The Great Thanksgiving

Please stand as you are able.

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

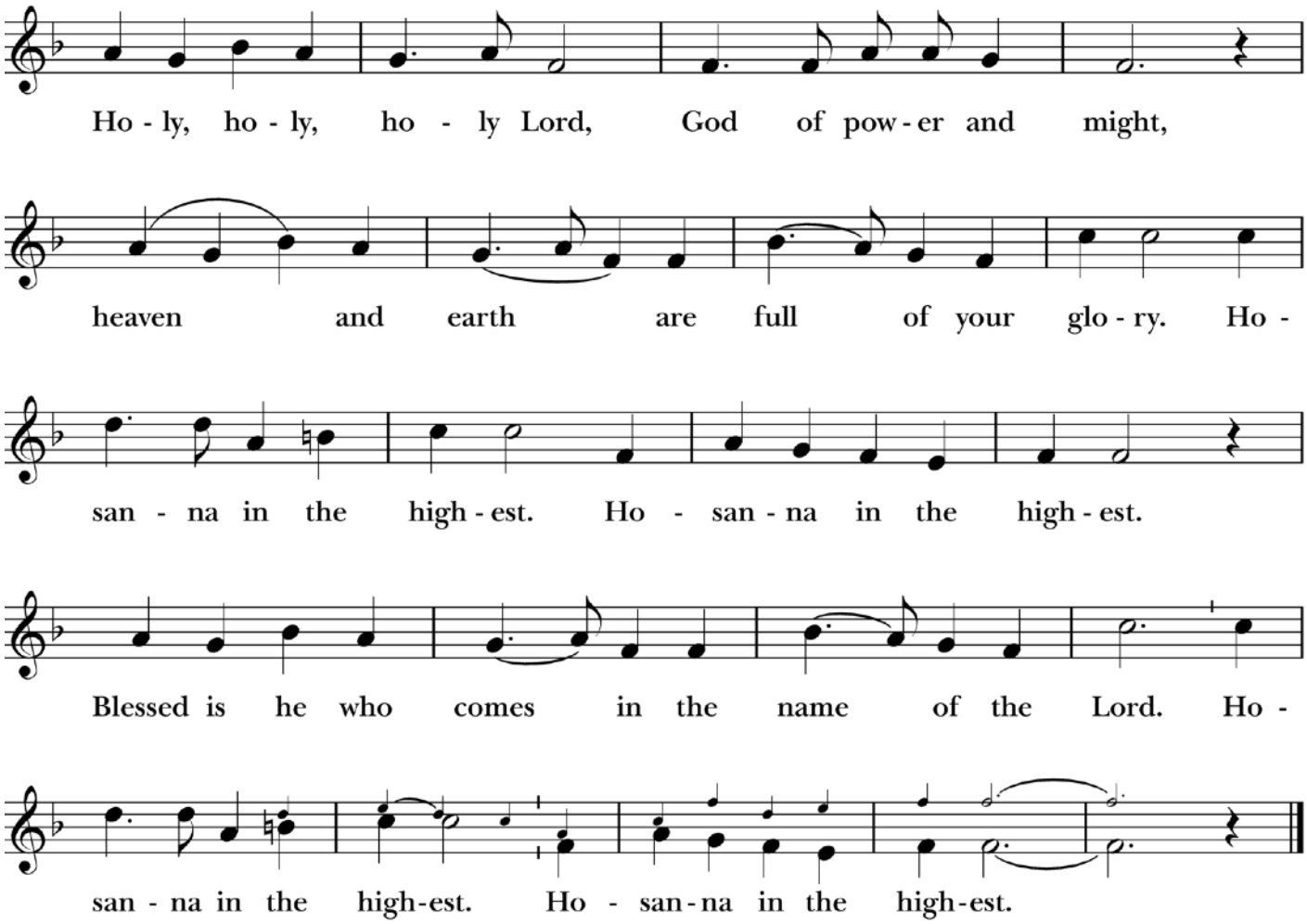
The Presider continues,

You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

Sanctus

1982 Hymnal #S125



Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

The Presider continues

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Presider Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator with voices of unending praise.

People **Blessed are you now and forever. Amen.**

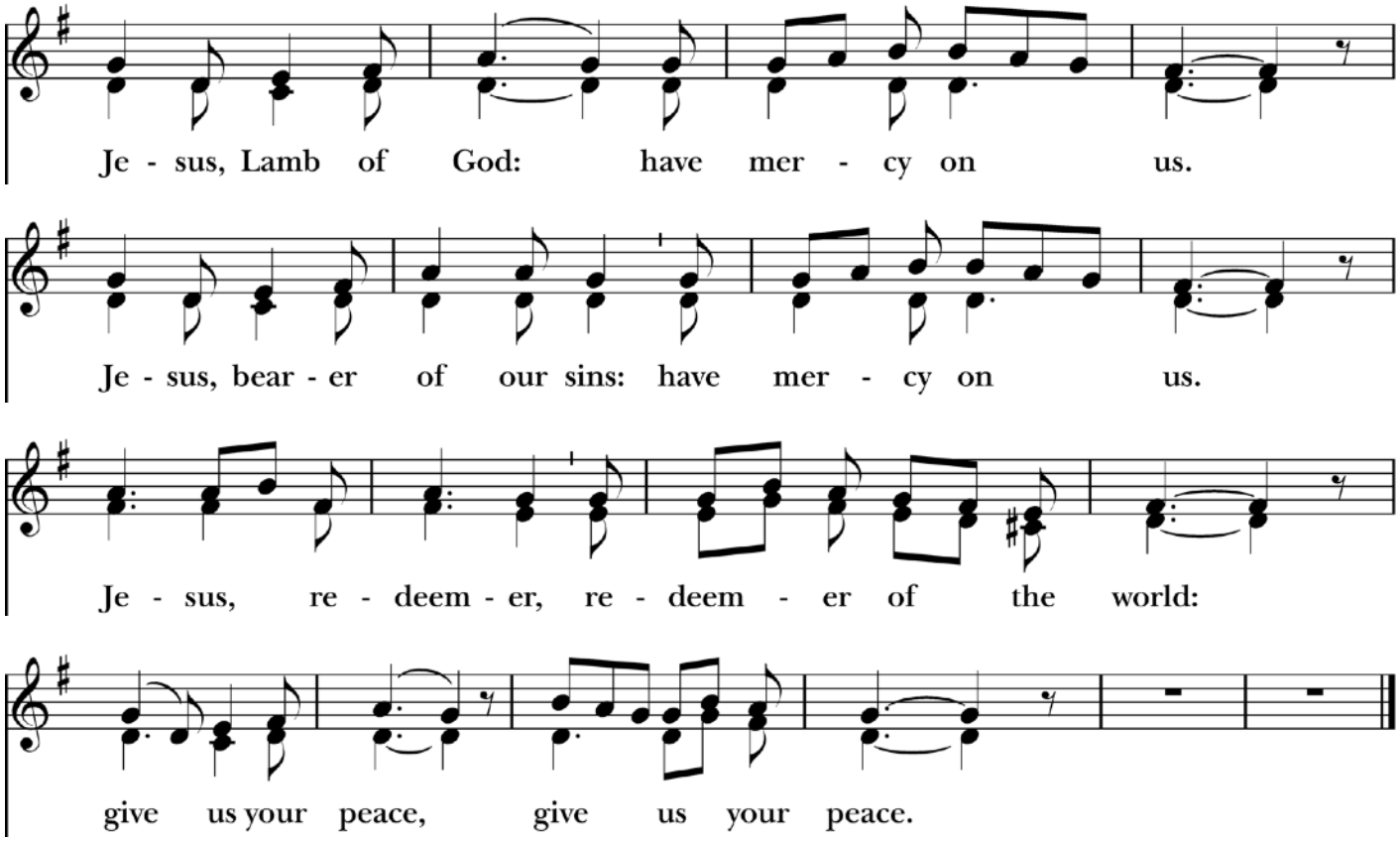
The Lord's Prayer is spoken at 7:00 am and sung at 9:00 am.

Presider And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to sing,

All **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 debts,
as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever (and ever). Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Fraction hymn *Jesus Lamb of God* 1982 Hymnal #S164



Presider The gifts of God for the People of God.

Instructions for receiving the sacraments

You are invited to come up, row by row, to receive the sacraments of bread and wine.
The usher will guide you. If you would like to receive communion at your seat, please tell the usher; the priest and deacon will come to you.

At the font

The waters of our font remind us of the waters that flow mauka to makai through this ahupuaʻa we enjoy with respect and honor for the Aliʻi who granted permission. Through water, we are connected with ʻāina, God, and one another. We pause at the font to remember our baptismal vows that recall us to our Creator and remind us to care for all people in this community, in our diocese, and all creation. In remembrance of the sacrament of baptism, we anoint one another.

As you approach the front of the church, you are invited to dip a finger in the font water, turn to the person behind you, and anoint them with water, making a small cross on their forehead. If you prefer not to be anointed, simply cross your arms and the vicar will anoint the person behind you.

Receiving the bread and wine

To receive the bread (also called the host), extend your hands with palms flat. The priest will place the host on your palm with the words "The Body of Christ, the Bread of heaven." Please indicate if you would prefer gluten-free.

To receive the wine, you may drink directly from the chalice. The deacon will say "the Blood of Christ, the cup of Salvation."

If you prefer, you may dip a small part the host in the wine. This is called intinction. Please dip carefully so that your fingers do not touch the wine. The deacon will say "the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ keep you in everlasting life."

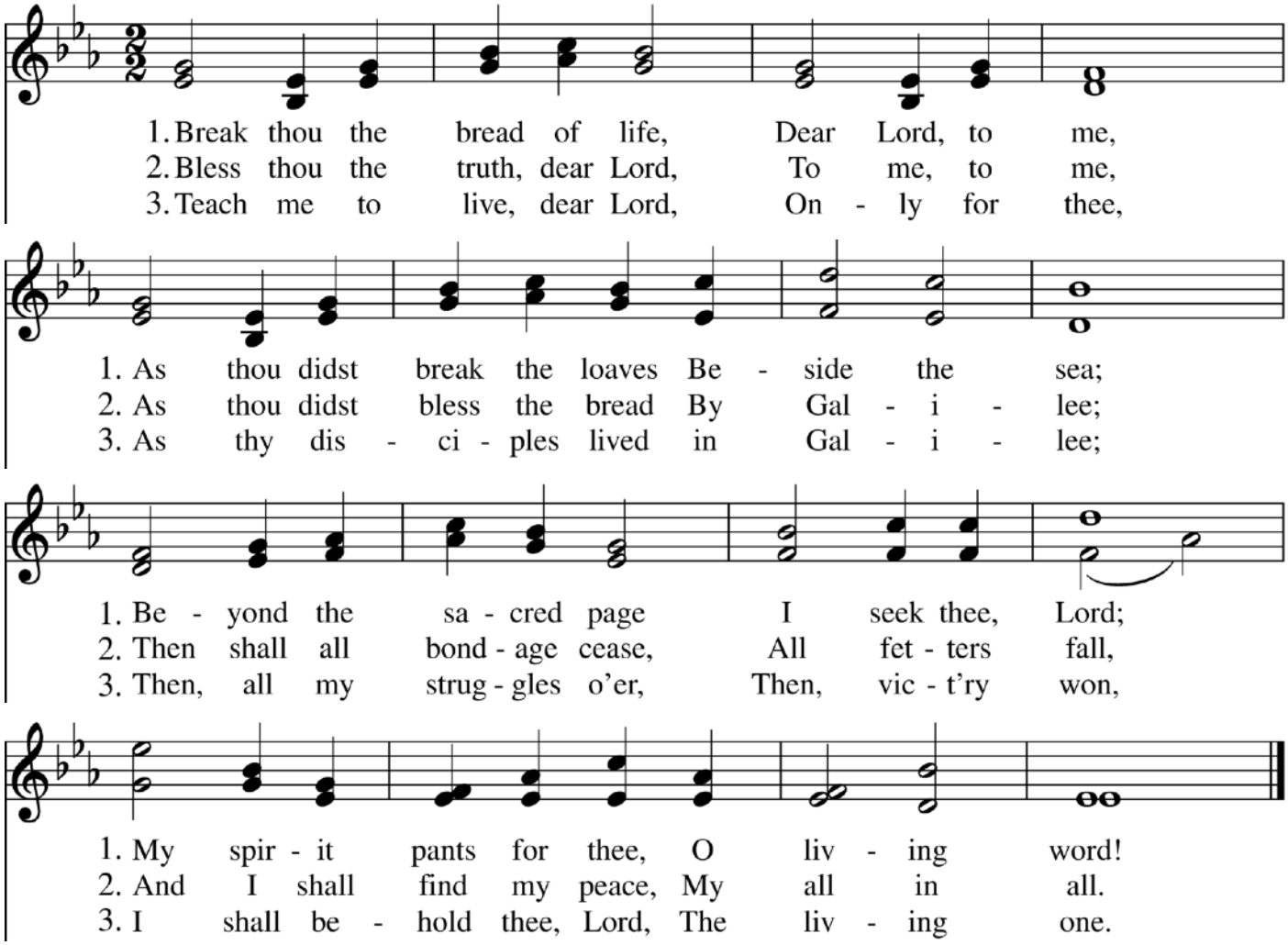
Receiving bread only

If you do not wish to partake in the wine, simply cross your arms over your chest. Consuming the host is considered the full sacrament of Holy Communion. After receiving the sacraments, you may make the sign of the cross ✠.

Receiving a blessing

If you do not wish to receive either the bread or the wine but would like a blessing, you are invited to come forward, arms crossed, to receive the blessing.

Communion Hymn *Break thou the bread of life* Lift Every Voice & Sing #146



Please stand as you are able.

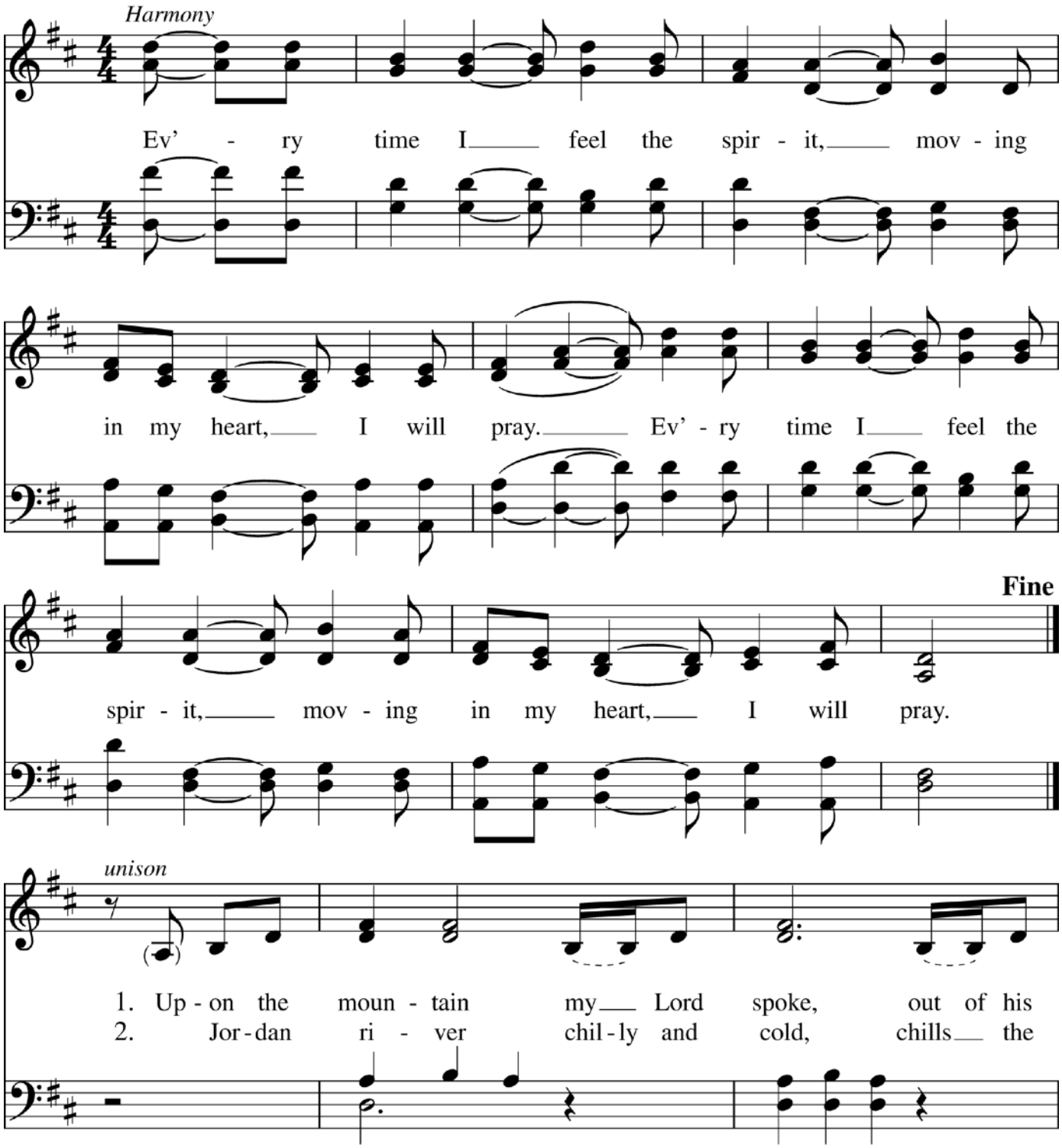
Presider Let us pray.

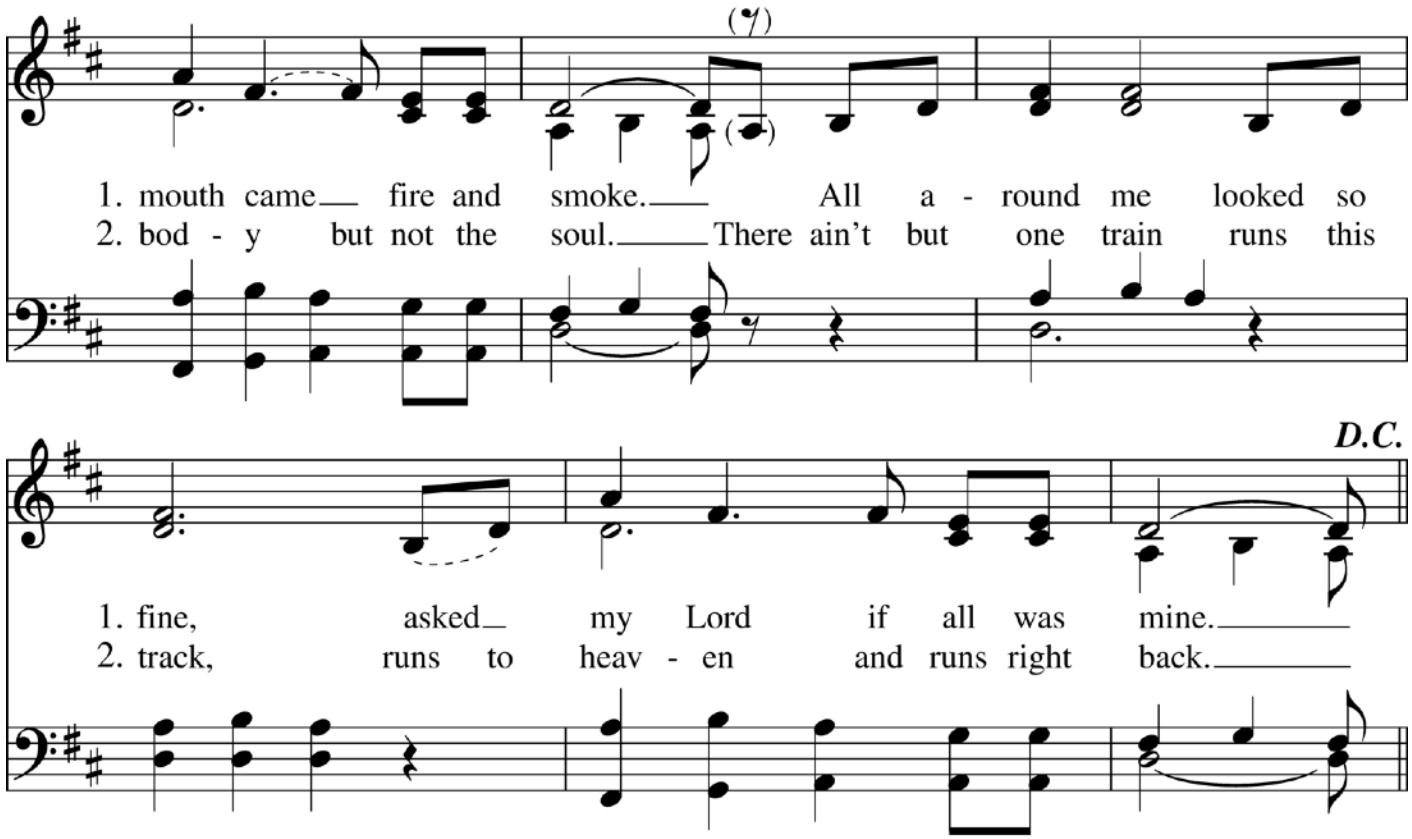
All **Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

The Blessing

Presider May God inspire us to think with our hearts, act through Christ's love, and live divine truth. And the blessing of God the Creator, the Light, and Spirit of Truth be with you now and forever. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn *Ev'ry Time I Feel the Spirit* Lift Every Voice & Sing #114





The Dismissal

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia.
People **Thanks be to God! Alleluia, Alleluia.**

Postlude *Fuga*, Josef Seger (1716-1782) Kirk Corey, organ

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