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HOLY EUCHARIST

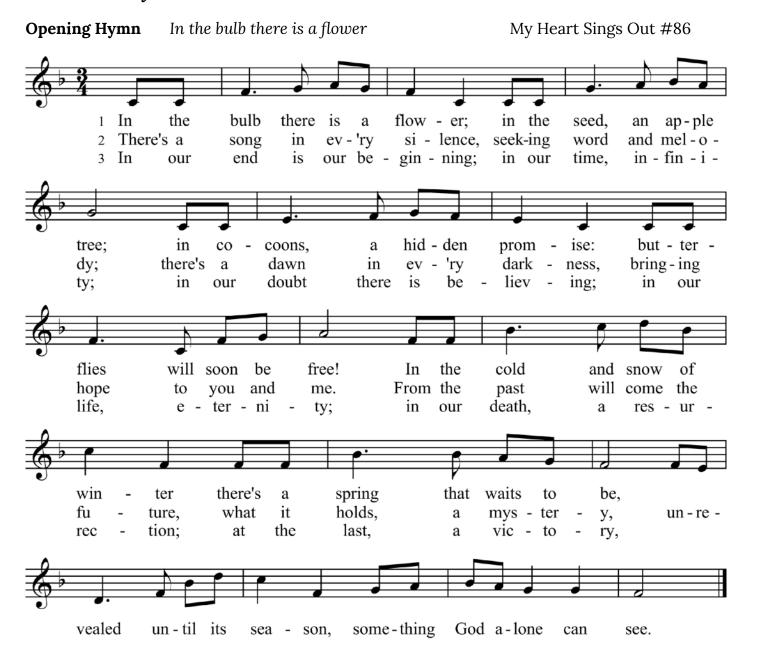
in person & livestreamed

February 23, 2025 7:00 & 9:00 am

Seventh Sunday after the Epiphany

Prelude Kirk Corey, organ

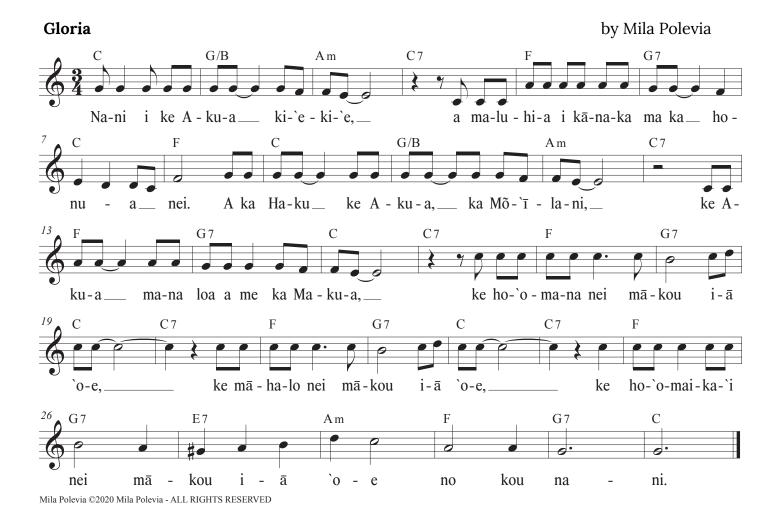
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Opening Acclamation

Presider Blessed be God the Creator, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be all God's creation, now and for ever. Amen.



Collect

Presider

God be with you.

People

And also with you.

Presider

Let us pray.

O Lord, you have taught us that without love whatever we do is worth nothing: Send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts your greatest gift, which is love, the true bond of peace and of all virtue, without which whoever lives is accounted dead before you. Grant this for the sake of your only Son Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Source: Book of Common Prayer.

Please be seated.

The Lessons

The First Lesson

Reader A reading from Genesis.

Genesis 45: 3-11, 15

Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence.

Then Joseph said to his brothers, "Come closer to me." And they came closer. He said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt."

"Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, 'Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. I will provide for you there--since there are five more years of famine to come--so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty."

And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

Reader Here ends the reading.

People May Spirit open our hearts and minds.

The Psalm

Reader We will read the Psalm responsively by half verse.

Psalm 37: 1-12, 41-42 Noli aemulari

Do not fret yourself because of evildoers; *

do not be jealous of those who do wrong.

For they shall soon wither like the grass, *

and like the green grass fade away.

Put your trust in the Lord and do good; *

dwell in the land and feed on its riches.

[Psalm continues on the next page.]

Take delight in the Lord, *

and he shall give you your heart's desire.

Commit your way to the Lord and put your trust in him, * and he will bring it to pass.

He will make your righteousness as clear as the light * and your just dealing as the noonday.

Be still before the Lord *

and wait patiently for him.

Do not fret yourself over the one who prospers, *

the one who succeeds in evil schemes.

Refrain from anger, leave rage alone; *

do not fret yourself; it leads only to evil.

For evildoers shall be cut off, *

but those who wait upon the Lord shall possess the land.

In a little while the wicked shall be no more; *

you shall search out their place, but they will not be there.

But the lowly shall possess the land; *

they will delight in abundance of peace.

But the deliverance of the righteous comes from the Lord; *
he is their stronghold in time of trouble.

The Lord will help them and rescue them; *

he will rescue them from the wicked and deliver them, because they seek refuge in him.

The Second Lesson

Reader A reading from Paul's first letter to the Corinthians.

1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50

Someone will ask, "How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?" Fool! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. And as for what you sow, you do not sow the body that is to be, but a bare seed, perhaps of wheat or of some other grain. But God gives it a body as he has chosen, and to each kind of seed its own body.

So it is with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable, what is raised is imperishable. It is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness, it is raised in power. It is sown a physical body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a physical body, there is also a spiritual body.

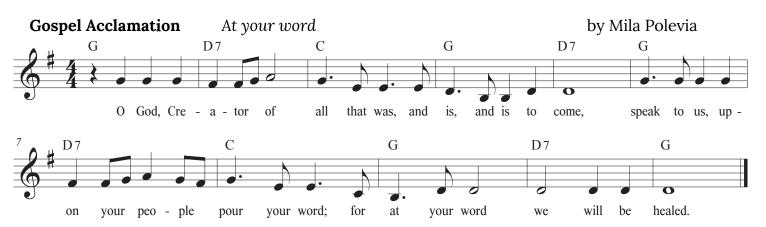
Thus it is written, "The first man, Adam, became a living being"; the last Adam became a life-giving spirit. But it is not the spiritual that is first, but the physical, and then the spiritual. The first man was from the earth, a man of dust; the second man is from heaven. As was the man of dust, so are those who are of the dust; and as is the man of heaven, so are those who are of heaven. Just as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we will also bear the image of the man of heaven.

What I am saying, brothers and sisters, is this: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable.

Reader Here ends the reading.

People May Spirit open our hearts and minds.

Please stand as you are able.



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The Gospel

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People Glory to you, O Christ.

Luke 6:27-28

Jesus said, "I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you.

"If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

"Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven; give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back."

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

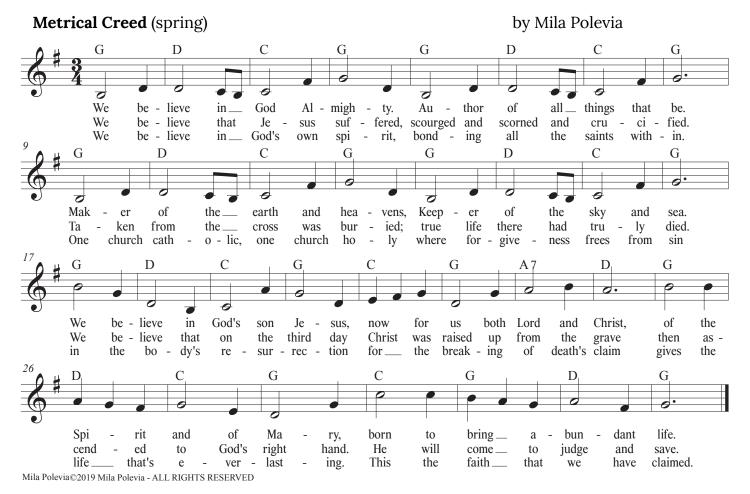
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The Sermon

The Rev. Jennifer Masada

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

Affirmation of Faith



Prayers of the People

Deacon

Loving God, who came to us in human form to show us who you are, be with us as we pray.

For the church, that in our troubled world we may be a haven for all who seek peace, a touchstone for all who doubt, and a wellspring of renewal for all who believe.

In our diocesan cycle of prayer, we pray for the clergy, staff, congregation, families, and community of Epiphany. In our Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray for the Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil. We pray for Bob our bishop, Sean our presiding bishop, all bishops, clergy, lay leaders, and all members.

The people add their prayers for the church, and for all communities of faith, silently or aloud.

God who has come to show us the way,

People Make yourself known through us.

Deacon

For this nation. For those who hold office throughout this land, and for those of us who call them to responsibility and accountability, that together, we may hold a clear vision of justice.

The people add their prayers for the country and those in authority, silently or aloud.

God who has come to show us the way,

People Make yourself known through us.

Deacon

For our world. That with you working through us, the poor may be blessed, the weeping may laugh, and those who war with one another may know the hope of peace.

The people add their prayers of intercession and thanksgiving for the whole world, silently or aloud.

God who has come to show us the way,

People Make yourself known through us.

Deacon

For this community. For prophets and teachers, for all those of glorious and varied gifts, that our common life may be strengthened as we offer ourselves, affirm those around us, and join in mission together.

The people add their prayers for the concerns and gifts of the local community, silently or aloud.

God who has come to show us the way,

People Make yourself known through us.

Deacon

For all who suffer, and all who suffer with them, that we may know your Holy Presence in the midst of pain, and tears and sorrow, trusting in your tender mercy and the compassion of those around us.

The people add their prayers for those who suffer in body, mind or spirit, silently or aloud.

God who has come to show us the way,

People Make yourself known through us.

Deacon

For those who have died. For memories of joy and moments of grief; and for the sure and certain knowledge that, as your beloved, they live in your infinite love and rest in eternal life.

The people add their prayers for those who have died, silently or aloud.

God who has come to show us the way,

People We offer ourselves to you.

Closing Collect for the Prayers of the People

Presider

Holy God, you revealed your Son in the waters of the Jordan and anointed him with the power of the Holy Spirit to proclaim good news to all people. Sanctify us by the same Spirit, that we may proclaim the healing power of the gospel by acts of love in your name. **Amen.**

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Confession of Sin

Presider 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 sales of your Con Josus Christ

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.**

Please be seated.

The Peace

Announcement of birthday and anniversary celebrations for the coming week.

Presider The Peace of Christ be always with you.

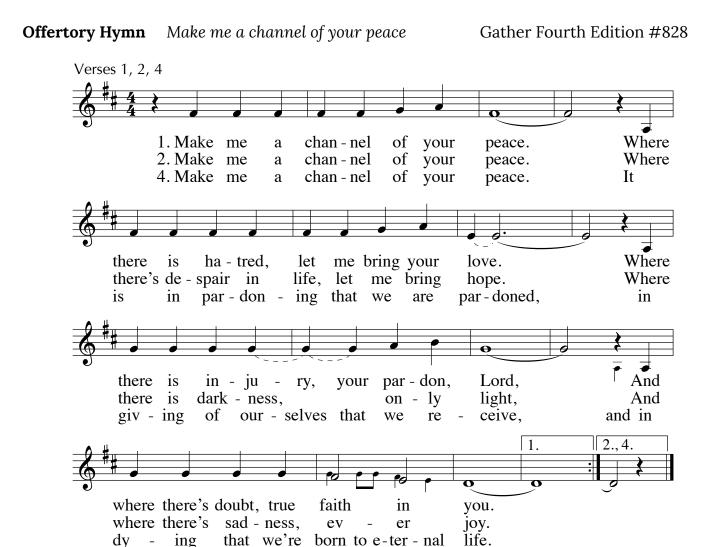
People And also with you.

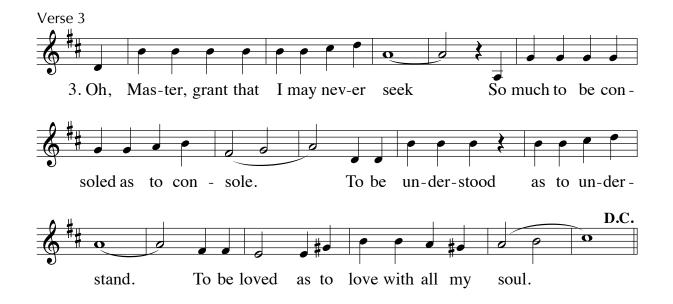
The Holy Communion

Offertory

All Through our offerings, we choose to love one another. With our gifts, we live our sacred baptismal promises, contributing to the abundance of others. We delight in letting resources flow where they are needed. Let us practice love and solidarity, bringing to God's table what is ours to give.

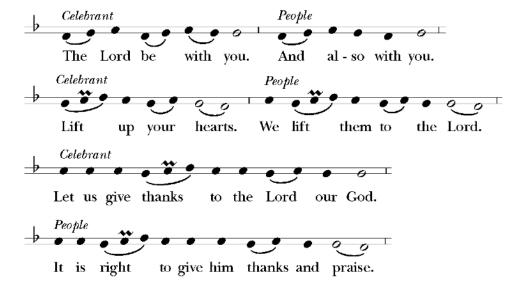
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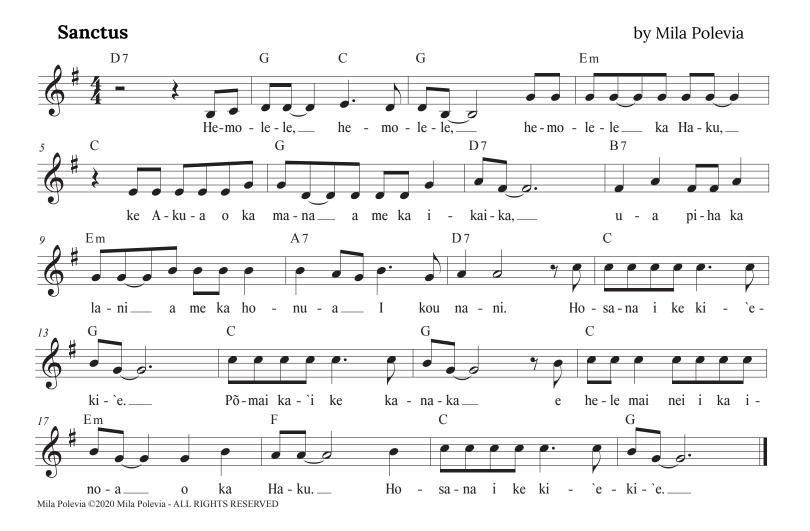
The Great Thanksgiving

Please stand as you are able.



The Presider continues,

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind. Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:



Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering.

Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: "Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

Presider and People Dying, you destroyed our death.

Rising, you restored our life. Christ Jesus, come in glory!

The Presider continues,

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice and love.

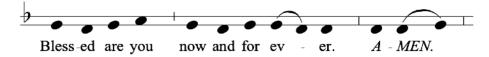
Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with all your people into the joy of our true eternal home.

Lifting the bread and wine, the presider sings:

Presider Through Christ and with Chris

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

All sing



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,

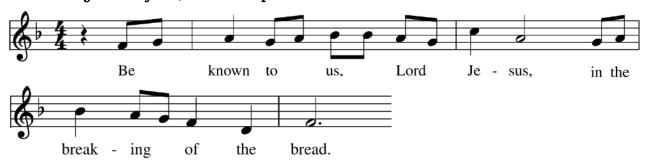
and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Hymn Be known to us, Lord Jesus

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Cantor sings alone first, then all repeat:



Cantor The bread which we break, alleluia, is the communion of the body of Christ.

All sing Be known to us, Lord Jesus, in the breaking of the bread. (See music above.)

Cantor One body are we, alleluia, for though many we share one bread.

All sing Be known to us, Lord Jesus, in the breaking of the bread. (See music above.)

Presider These are 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 ahupua'a we are enjoy with respect and honor for the Ali'i who granted permission. We are connected to the āina, 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 your finger in the font water and turn to the person behind you to anoint them, making a small cross on their forehead. Anointing is voluntary. If you prefer not to do this, simply cross your arms and the priest 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.

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.



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.

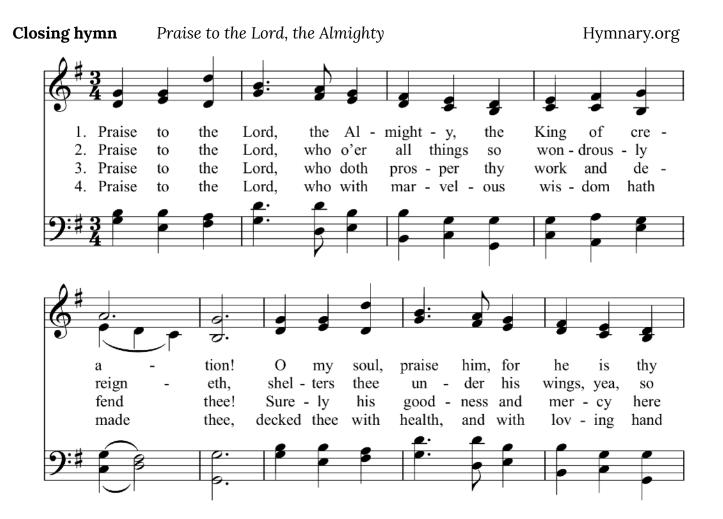
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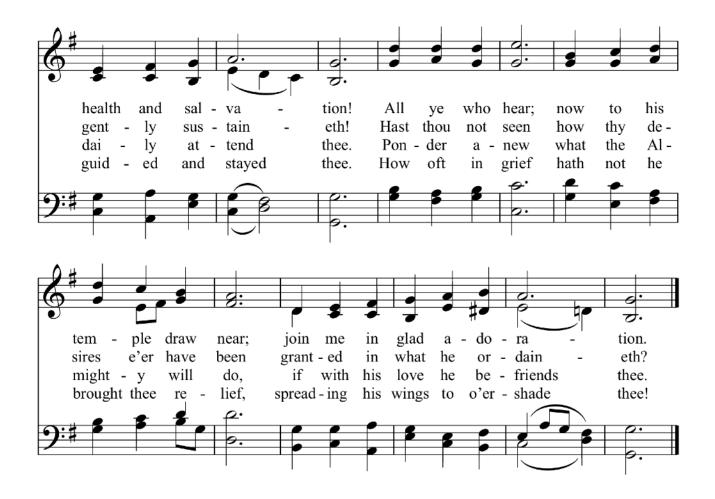
Presider God's blessing be with you,

Christ's peace be with you,

the Spirit's outpouring be with you,

now and always. Amen.





The Dismissal

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia!

People Thanks be to God! Alleluia, Alleluia!

Postlude

Lobe den Herren, den mächtigen König der Ehren, Johann Gottfried Walther (1684-1748) Kirk Corey, organ



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