

The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost June 17, 2018 9:30 am



IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

***Making known
by Word and Action
the Healing Presence
of God in Christ Jesus
with Us and with the World.***

Immanuel's Mission



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When we celebrate Holy Communion we are eating and drinking the true body and blood of our Savior, Jesus Christ, for the forgiveness of our sins. Because the Bible says it is possible for someone to eat and drink to their harm if their understanding of the sacrament is lacking, we ask our visitors to speak with our Pastor before communing here for the first time. Ask an usher to help you find our Pastor before the service begins, or call during the week.

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Divine Service

The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

June 17, 2018 – 9:30 am

WELCOME to all guests and members; we are glad that you are here to worship with us and hope you will return often as *our friends in Christ!*



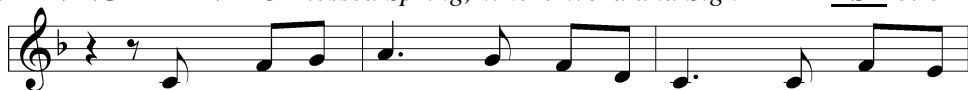
“Now the green blade rises from the buried grain” is the first line of a well-known Easter carol. The wonder of God’s handiwork can be seen in the smallest things of God’s great creation. Even in a grain of mustard seed there is the promise of new life and fruitfulness. God provides for all of our needs out of love for His creatures. And He rejoices in the growth that occurs. As the “*rolling seasons in fruitful order move*,” (LSB 893:1) we celebrate that in Christ we have a central role in God’s amazing plan as we grow in love.

PRELUDE

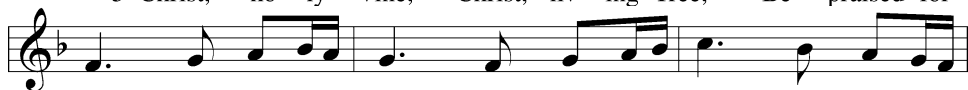
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN “O Blessed Spring, Where Word and Sign”

LSB 595



1 O	bless-ed spring,	where Word and sign	Em - brace us
2 Through	sum-mer heat	of youth-ful years,	Un - cer - tain
3 When	au-tumn cools	and youth is cold,	When limbs their
4 As	win - ter comes,	as win - ters must,	We breathe our
5 Christ,	ho - ly Vine,	Christ, liv - ing Tree,	Be praised for



in -	to Christ the Vine:	Here Christ en - joins	each one to
faith,	re - bel - lious tears,	Sus - tained by Christ's	in - fus - ing
heav - y	har - vest hold,	Then through us, warm,	the Christ will
last,	re - turn to dust;	Still held in Christ,	our souls take
this	blest mys - ter - y:	That Word and wa -	ter thus re -



be	A branch of this	life - giv - ing Tree.
rain,	The boughs will shout	for joy a - gain.
move	With gifts of beau -	ty, wis - dom, love.
wing	And trust the prom -	ise of the spring.
vive	And join us to	Your Tree of Life.

Please stand ... **INVOCATION and OPENING SENTENCES**

P In the Name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. **C** **Amen.**

P Our help is in the Name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P O God our Father, since You have set forth the way of life for us in Your beloved Son, we confess with shame our slowness to learn of Him, our failure to follow Him, and our reluctance to bear the cross.

C **Have mercy on us and forgive us, O Lord.**

P Forgive us for the poverty of our worship, our neglect of fellowship and of the Means of Grace, our hesitating witness for Christ, our evasion of responsibility in Your service, and our imperfect stewardship of Your gifts.

C **Have mercy on us and forgive us, O Lord.**

P Forgive us that so little of Your love has reached others through us, that we have been thoughtless in our judgments, hasty in condemnation, grudging in forgiveness, slow to seek reconciliation, and unwilling to help our neighbors as we ought.

C **Have mercy on us, O God, according to Your steadfast love. Create in us clean hearts, O God, and put a new and right spirit within us.**

P Upon this your confession and by the command of our Lord, I, a called and ordained servant of Christ, forgive you all your sins in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

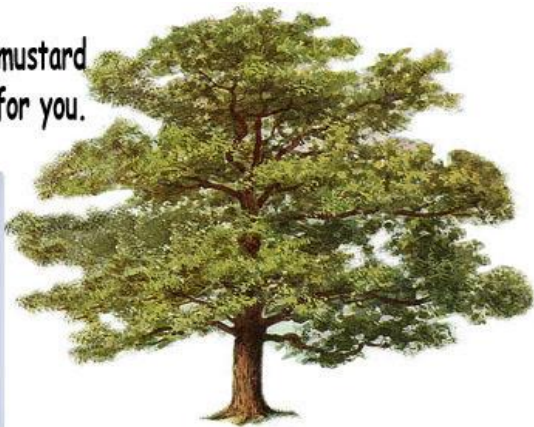
C **Amen.**

P Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. He who calls you is faithful; He will surely do it.

C **Amen!**



If you have faith the size of a mustard seed, nothing will be impossible for you.

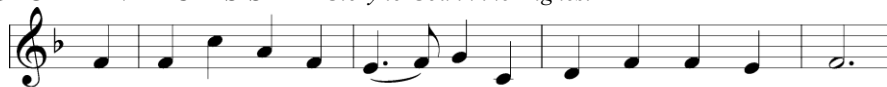


KYRIE — *Lord, Have Mercy*



C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS — *Glory to God in the Highest*



C 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;
2 To You, O sole - be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro-claimed at Je-sus' birth!
O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor-shipped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King.
Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—
In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

THE COLLECT PRAYER

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray:

Blessed Lord, since You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning, grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.



Please be seated

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Ezekiel 17:22–24

L The Old Testament Reading for The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost is from Ezekiel, chapter seventeen.



Thus says the Lord GOD: “*I Myself will take a sprig from the lofty top of the cedar and will set it out. I will break off from the topmost of its young twigs a tender one, and I Myself will plant it on a high and lofty mountain.* ²³*On the mountain height of Israel will I plant it, that it may bear branches and produce fruit and become a noble cedar. And under it will dwell every kind of bird; in the shade of its branches birds of every sort will nest.* ²⁴*And all the trees of the field shall know that I am the LORD; I bring low the high tree, and make high the low tree, dry up the green tree, and make the dry tree flourish. I am the LORD; I have spoken, and I will do it.*”

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING

II Corinthians 5:1–17

L The Epistle Reading is from Second Corinthians, chapter five.

We know that if the tent, which is our earthly home, is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. ²For in this tent we groan, longing to put on our heavenly dwelling, ³if indeed by putting it on we may not be found naked. ⁴For while we are still in this tent, we groan, being burdened—not that we would be unclothed, but that we would be further clothed, so that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life. ⁵He who has prepared us for this very thing is God, who has given us the Spirit as a guarantee. ⁶So we are always of good courage. We know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord, ⁷for we walk by faith, not by sight. ⁸Yes, we are of good courage, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. ⁹So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please Him. ¹⁰For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may receive what is due for what he has done in the body, whether good or evil. ¹¹Therefore,

knowing the fear of the Lord, we persuade others. But what we are is known to God, and I hope it is known also to your conscience. ¹²We are not commending ourselves to you again but giving you cause to boast about us, so that you may be able to answer those who boast about outward appearance and not about what is in the heart. ¹³For if we are beside ourselves, it is for God; if we are in our right mind, it is for you. ¹⁴For the love of Christ controls us, because we have concluded this: that One has died for all, therefore all have died; ¹⁵and He died for all, that those who live might no longer live for themselves but for Him who for their sake died and was raised. ¹⁶From now on, therefore, we regard no one according to the flesh. Even though we once regarded Christ according to the flesh, we regard Him thus no longer. ¹⁷Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.



L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Please stand **THE VERSE**

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

C These things are writ - ten that you may be - lieve that

Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.

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

HOLY GOSPEL

st Mark 4:26–34

P The Holy Gospel according to st Mark, the fourth chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

Jesus said, “The kingdom of God is as if a man should scatter seed on the ground. ²⁷He sleeps and rises night and day, and the seed sprouts and grows; he knows not how. ²⁸The earth produces by itself, first the blade, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. ²⁹But when the grain is ripe, at once he puts in the sickle, because the harvest has come.” ³⁰And He said, “With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable shall we use for it? ³¹It is like a grain of mustard seed, which,





when sown on the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth, ³² yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes larger than all the garden plants and puts out large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.” ³³ With many such parables He spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it. ³⁴ He did not speak to them without a parable, but privately to His own disciples He explained everything.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord. **C** Praise to You, O Christ.

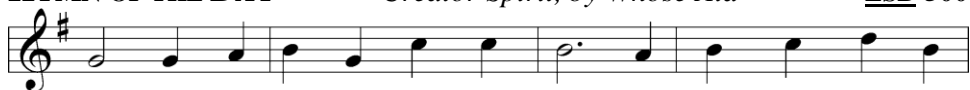
Please be seated...

Please stand for the final stanza...

HYMN OF THE DAY

“Creator Spirit, by Whose Aid”

LSB 500



1 Cre - a - tor Spir - it, by whose aid The world's foun - da - tions
2 O Source of un - cre - at - ed light, The bear - er of God's
3 Giv - er of grace, de - scend from high; Your sev'n - fold gifts to
4 Im - mor - tal hon - or, end - less fame At - tend the al - might - y



first were laid, Come, vis - it ev - 'ry hum - ble mind; Come,
gra - cious might, Thrice - ho - ly fount, thrice - ho - ly fire, Our
us sup - ply; Help us e - ter - nal truths re - ceive And
Fa - ther's name; The Sav - ior - Son be glo - ri - fied, Who



pour Your joys on hu - man - kind; From sin and sor - row
hearts with heav'n - ly love in - spire; Your sa - cred, heal - ing
prac - tice all that we be - lieve; Give us Your - self that
for all hu - man - kind has died; To You, O Par - a -



set us free; May we Your liv - ing tem - ples be.
mes - sage bring To sanc - ti - fy us as we sing.
we may see The glo - ry of the Trin - i - ty.
clete, we raise Un - end - ing songs of thanks and praise.

SERMON

“THE KINGDOM of the Mustard Seed!?”

HYMN OF BLESSING FOR CONFIRMATION, FATHERS, VBS

“Thine Forever, God of Love”

LSB 687



- 1 Thine for - ev - er, God of love! Hear us from Thy throne a - bove;
- 2 Thine for - ev - er! Oh, how blest They who find in Thee their rest!
- 3 Thine for - ev - er, Lord of Life! Shield us through our earth - ly strife.
- 4 Thine for - ev - er! Shep-herd, keep These Thy frail and trem-bling sheep;
- 5 Thine for - ev - er! Thou our guide, All our wants by Thee sup - plied,



Thinefor - ev - er may we be Here and in e - ter - ni - ty!
 Sav - ior, guard - ian, heav'n-ly friend, O de - fend us to the end!
 Thou, the life, the truth, the way, Guide us to the realms of day.
 Safe a - lone be - neath Thy care, Let us all Thy good-ness share.
 All our sins by Thee for-giv'n; Lead us, Lord, from earth to heav'n.

RITE OF CONFIRMATION

Noah Vance Christensen

P Beloved in the Lord, our Lord Jesus Christ said to His apostles: *“All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.”* You have been baptized and catechized in the Christian faith according to our Lord’s bidding. Jesus said, *“Whoever confesses Me before men, I will also confess before My Father who is in heaven. But whoever denies Me before men, I will also deny before My Father who is in heaven.”* Lift up your heart, therefore, to the God of all grace and joyfully give answer to what I now ask you in the Name of the Lord.

Noah Christensen, do you this day in the presence of God and of this congregation acknowledge the gifts that God gave you in your Baptism?

R *Yes, I do.*

P Do you renounce the devil?

R *Yes, I renounce him.*

P Do you renounce all his works?

R *Yes, I renounce them.*

P Do you renounce all his ways?

R *Yes, I renounce them.*

P Do you believe in God the Father Almighty?

R *Yes, I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.*

P Do you believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord?



R *Yes, I believe in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.*

P Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

R *Yes, I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.*

P Do you hold all the prophetic and apostolic Scriptures to be the inspired Word of God? **R** *I do.*

P Do you confess the doctrine of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, drawn from the Scriptures, as you have learned to know it from the Small Catechism, to be faithful and true?

R *I do.*

P Do you intend to hear the Word of God and receive the Lord's Supper faithfully?

R *I do, by the grace of God.*

P Do you intend to live according to the Word of God, and in faith, word, and deed to remain true to God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, even to death?

R *I do, by the grace of God.*

P Do you intend to continue steadfast in this confession and Church and to suffer all, even death, rather than fall away from it?

R *I do, by the grace of God.*

P We rejoice with thankful hearts that you have been baptized and have received the teaching of the Lord. You have confessed the faith and been absolved of your sins. As you continue to hear the Lord's Word and receive His blessed Sacrament, He who has begun a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

*The catechumen kneels to receive his
confirmation verse and blessing.*

Noah Vance Christensen

P Let us pray. Lord God, heavenly Father, we thank and praise You for Your great goodness in bringing these Your sons to the knowledge of Your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ, and enabling them both with their hearts to believe and with their mouths to confess His saving Name. Grant that, bringing forth the fruits of faith, they



may continue steadfast and victorious to the day when all who have fought the good fight of faith shall receive the crown of righteousness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

P Almighty and most merciful Father, in the waters of Holy Baptism You have united Your children in the suffering and death of Your Son Jesus Christ, cleansing them by His blood. Renew in us the gift of Your Holy Spirit, that we may live in daily contrition and repentance with a faith that ever clings to our Savior. Deliver us from the power of Satan and preserve us from false and dangerous doctrines, that we may remain faithful in hearing Christ's Word and receiving His body and blood. By the Lord's Supper strengthen us to believe that no one can make satisfaction for sin but Christ alone. Enable us to find joy and comfort only in Him, learning from this Sacrament to love You and our neighbor and to bear the cross with patience and joy until the day of the resurrection of our bodies to life immortal; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

STATEMENT OF FAITH by Noah Christensen

DEDICATION OF VBS AND VBS WORKERS

Splash Canyon VBS

BLESSING AND PRAYER FOR FATHER'S DAY

Please stand...

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

(Each petition concludes:

"Lord, in Your mercy:"

Congregational response:

"hear our prayer")

SHARING THE PEACE

(We greet one another with the grace of the Lord, saying, "Peace be with you," for reconciliation and unity of the Spirit.)

Please be seated as music starts

OFFERING AND MUSICAL OFFERING

(As the Offering is gathered, please sign the attendance folder near the center aisle and pass it to the next person.)

Please stand...



OFFERTORY HYMN*“Our Father, by Whose Name”***LSB 863**

1 Our Fa - ther, by whose name All fa - ther-hood is known,
2 O Christ, Thy - self a child With - in an earth - ly home,
3 O Spir - it, who dost bind Our hearts in u - ni - ty,

Who dost in love pro - claim Each fam - i - ly Thine own,
With heart still un - de - filed, Thou didst to man-hood come;
Who teach - est us to find The love from self set free,

Bless Thou all par - ents, guard - ing well, With con - stant love as
Our chil - dren bless in ev - 'ry place That they may all be -
In all our hearts such love in - crease That ev - 'ry home by

sen - ti - nel, The homes in which Thy peo - ple dwell.
hold Thy face, And know - ing Thee may grow in grace.
this re - lease May be the dwell - ing place of peace.

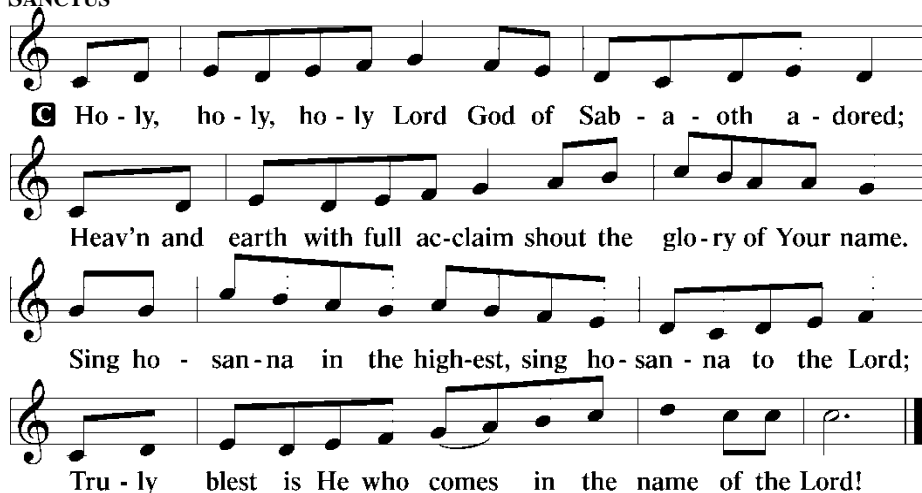
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*Public domain***THE SACRAMENT****PREFACE****P** The Lord be with you.**C** And also with you.**P** Lift up your hearts.**C** We lift them to the Lord.**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.**C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify your glorious Name, evermore praising You and saying:



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PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

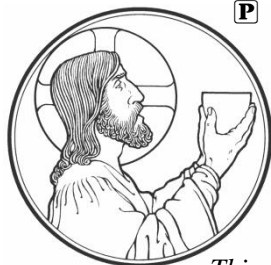
- P** Blessed are You, O Lord of heaven and earth. We thank You for Your faithful love and for having sent Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, to be our Redeemer, saving us from the power of sin, death, and the devil and blessing our lives with lasting peace. Invited by Your grace, we come to Your Table with gratitude and joy. Strengthen us through Christ's body and blood that we grow as people of faith and peace who in hope await the eternal feast in glory everlasting. **C** Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

- P** Lord, remember us in Your Kingdom and teach us to pray:
- C** 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.



THE WORDS OF OUR LORD



- P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "*Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.*" In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "*Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins.*"

This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

PAX DOMINI — *The Peace of the Lord*

P The Peace of the Lord be with you always. **C** Amen.

AGNUS DEI

C 1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,

You take the sin of the world a - way;
You take the sin of the world a - way;

O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,

Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

Please be seated...

First communion students and their families will commune at the first table...

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS



“What Is This Bread”	<u>LSB</u> 629
“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”	<u>LSB</u> 700
“Father Welcomes”	<u>LSB</u> 605
“Sent Forth by God’s Blessing”	<u>LSB</u> 643

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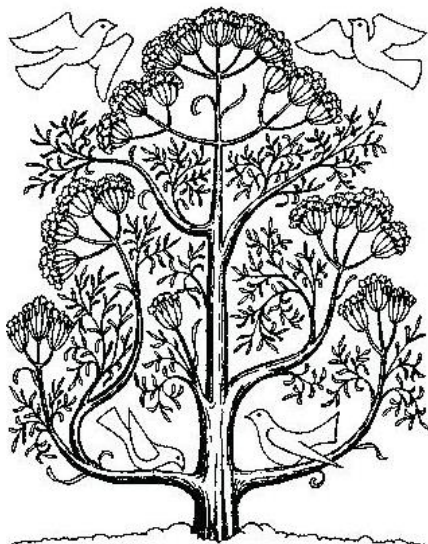
NUNC DIMITTIS — *Song of Simeon*

C 1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All
part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the
glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three - in - One;
A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -
For as in the be - gin - ning, Is
to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -
peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

P Let us pray...

Holy Father, strengthen us through this blessed gift that we have received, that we live to bring glory to You in loving service to our neighbor. Grant Your Holy Spirit to enlighten us with His gifts, that we be people who rejoice in Your promises and wait in joyful expectation of the new heavens and new earth that are yet to come. We ask this in the Name of Jesus, our Savior. Amen.



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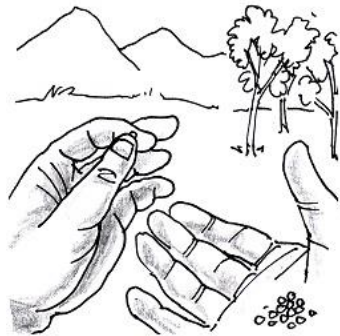
P Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

P 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. **C** Amen.



CLOSING HYMN "Almighty Father, Bless the Word"

LSB 923

1 Al - might - y Fa - ther, bless the Word Which through Your
2 We praise You for the means of grace As home - ward
3 Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; Praise Him, all

grace we now have heard. Oh, may the pre - cious
now our steps we trace. Grant, Lord, that we who
crea - tures here be - low; Praise Him a - bove, ye

seed take root, Spring up, and bear a - bun - dant fruit!
wor - shiped here May all at last in heav'n ap - pear.
heav'n - ly host: Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

POSTLUDE

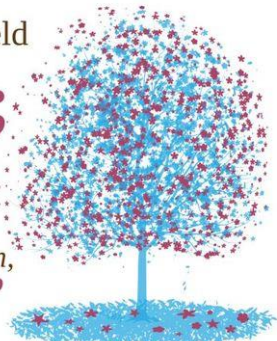
And all the trees of the field
shall know that I am the

LORD;

I bring low the high tree,
and make high the low tree,
dry up the green tree,
and make the dry tree flourish.

*I am the lord; I have spoken,
and I will do it."*

Ezekiel 17:24



**Happy
Birthday!!**

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*The kingdom of God is as if a man
should scatter seed on the ground...*

