



As a community following Christ,  
we LOVE with an open heart  
GROW with a curious mind  
and SHARE with a generous spirit.

## WELCOME TO WORSHIP

*Please turn off all cell phones.*

*If you are visiting with us today, we extend to you a particular welcome and invite your questions and comments.*

*Our entire worship service is printed in this worship folder for your convenience.*

*Hearing assistance devices are available in the Narthex.*

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In the order of service, the words  
that are spoken by a leader are in regular type.

**Words spoken by the assembly are in boldface type.**

NARRATIVE LECTIONARY 204

# **MOSES and GOD'S NAME**

*Sunday, October 1, 2023 • 8:15 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.*

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Stand.*

## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

*All may make the sign of the cross +, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

Blessed be God, the one who forms us,  
+ Jesus who bears the cross,  
the Spirit who makes our joy complete.

**Amen.**

Let us bow before God in humility,  
confessing our sin.

*The “Kyrie” refrain on the facing page is sung once through.*

Steadfast and faithful God,  
**you have revealed the ways of justice,  
yet we fail to follow you.**

**We are overwhelmed  
by the world’s violence and suffering.**

**We are afraid to risk what we have  
for the sake of others.**

**For the harm we have caused,  
known and unknown, forgive us.**

**For the unjust demands we place on others  
and your creation, forgive us.**

**For the ways we turn away  
from you and our neighbor, forgive us.**

**Lead us back to you  
and set us on the right path;  
in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior.**

**Amen.**

*The “Kyrie” refrain on the facing page is sung once through.*

Beloved in Christ,  
God's justice stretches beyond all understanding.  
God's compassion is beyond compare.  
In Jesus, God is always making a new way for us.  
In + Christ, you are already and always forgiven.

**Amen.**

## KYRIE

*Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Holy Communion, Setting Eight*

*Refrain*

Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, on our world and on our way.

Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, ev-'ry day.

## GREETING

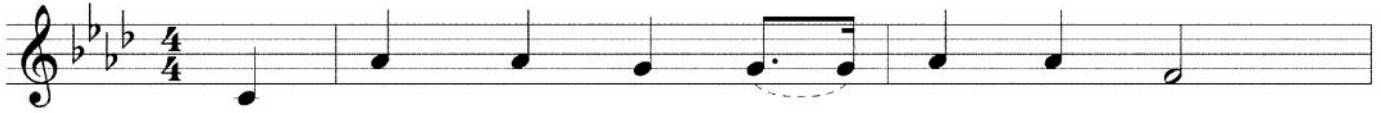
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

# HYMN OF PRAISE • "GO DOWN, MOSES"

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Sing verses 1-2.



1. When Is - rael was in E - gypt's land:  
2. The Lord told Mo - ses what to do,  
3. As Is - rael stood by the wa - ter side,  
4. When they had reached the oth - er shore,  
5. Oh, let us all from bond - age flee,



Let my peo - ple go: Op - pressed so hard they  
To lead the chil - dren of  
At God's com - mand it  
They sang the song of  
And let us all in



could not stand,  
Is - rael through,  
did di - vide, Let my peo - ple go. Go down,  
tri - umph o'er,  
Christ be free,



Mo - ses, 'Way down in E - gypt land,



Tell ol' Phar - aoh, to let my peo - ple go.

# PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

God of deliverance,  
you called Moses  
to be your hands, feet, and voice  
in a troubled world.

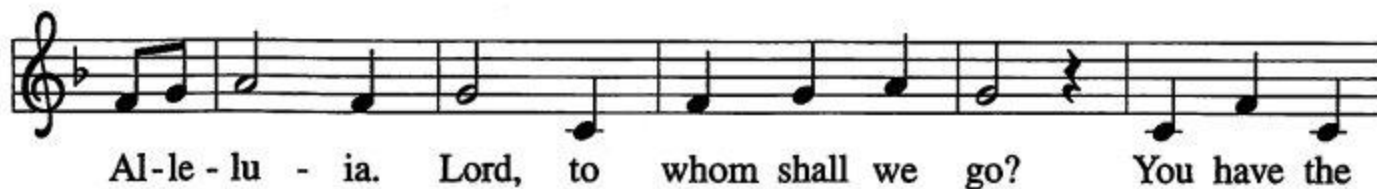
Teach us  
how to work, walk,  
and speak your word  
in a troubled world.

**Amen.**

*Sit.*

## ACCLAMATION OF SCRIPTURE • "ALLELUIA"

*Evangelical Lutheran Worship • Holy Communion, Setting Eight*



Al-le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the



words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. *whistle along*



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



*whistle along* Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## READING

A reading from the book of Exodus.

Exodus 1:8-14; 3:1-15

1 <sup>8</sup>Now a new king arose over Egypt, who did not know Joseph. <sup>9</sup>He said to his people, “Look, the Israelite people are more numerous and more powerful than we. <sup>10</sup>Come, let us deal shrewdly with them, or they will increase and, in the event of war, join our enemies and fight against us and escape from the land.” <sup>11</sup>Therefore they set taskmasters over them to oppress them with forced labor. They built supply cities, Pithom and Rameses, for Pharaoh. <sup>12</sup>But the more they were oppressed, the more they multiplied and spread, so that the Egyptians came to dread the Israelites. <sup>13</sup>The Egyptians became ruthless in imposing tasks on the Israelites, <sup>14</sup>and made their lives bitter with hard service in mortar and brick and in every kind of field labor. They were ruthless in all the tasks that they imposed on them.

3 <sup>1</sup>Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. <sup>2</sup>There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. <sup>3</sup>Then Moses said, “I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up.” <sup>4</sup>When the Lord saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, “Moses, Moses!” And he said, “Here I am.” <sup>5</sup>Then he said, “Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground.” <sup>6</sup>He said further, “I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.” And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.



<sup>7</sup>Then the LORD said, “I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, <sup>8</sup>and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. <sup>9</sup>The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. <sup>10</sup>So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt.”

<sup>11</sup>But Moses said to God, “Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?” <sup>12</sup>He said, “I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain.” <sup>13</sup>But Moses said to God, “If I come to the Israelites and say to them, ‘The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,’ and they ask me, ‘What is his name?’ what shall I say to them?” <sup>14</sup>God said to Moses, “I AM WHO I AM.” He said further, “Thus you shall say to the Israelites, ‘I AM has sent me to you.’” <sup>15</sup>God also said to Moses, “Thus you shall say to the Israelites, ‘The LORD, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you’: This is my name forever, and this my title for all generations.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## CHILDREN'S SERMON + SERMON

Pastor Briana Merkle.

*Stand.*

# HYMN OF PRAISE • "GO DOWN, MOSES"

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Sing verses 3-5.



1. When Is - rael was in E - gypt's land:  
2. The Lord told Mo - ses what to do,  
3. As Is - rael stood by the wa - ter side,  
4. When they had reached the oth - er shore,  
5. Oh, let us all from bond - age flee,



Let my peo - ple go: Op - pressed so hard they  
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# CREED

Together, let us confess our faith.

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

**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.**

**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. Amen.**

## PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Remembering the caring and generous works of God,  
we pray for the church, creation,  
and the needs of our neighbors.

*At the conclusion of each petition:*

Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

Remember us according to your steadfast love  
as we offer these and the prayers of our heart,  
trusting in your compassion  
made known through Jesus Christ.

**Amen.**

## SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*Sit.*

## OFFERING

Hospitality—a warm welcome—is generosity.

When we welcome each child of God into the life of this church,  
we extend God’s own generous hospitality.

Our gifts help this graceful ministry to flourish  
and to grow and to give glory to God.

Let us gather our gifts together  
and offer them to God in gratitude and praise.

*You can participate in the Offering electronically  
by scanning the QR code and filling out the online form.*



## OFFERTORY

*8:15 a.m.*

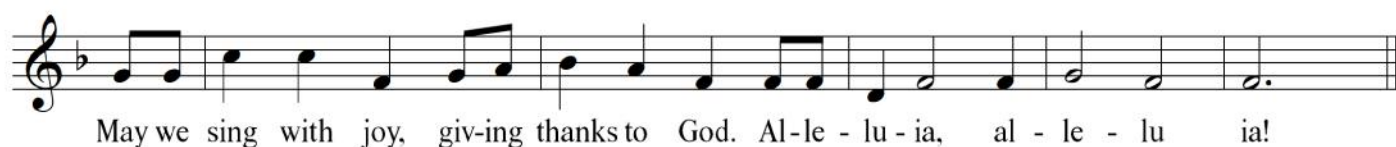
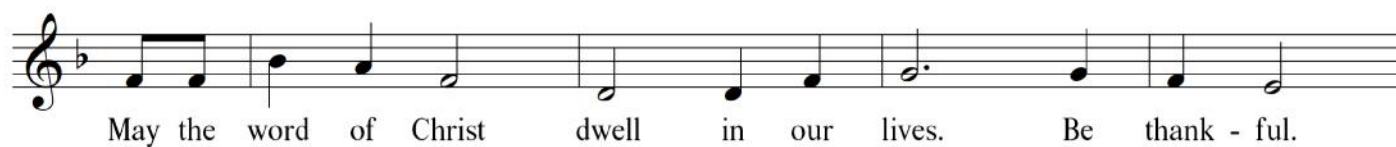
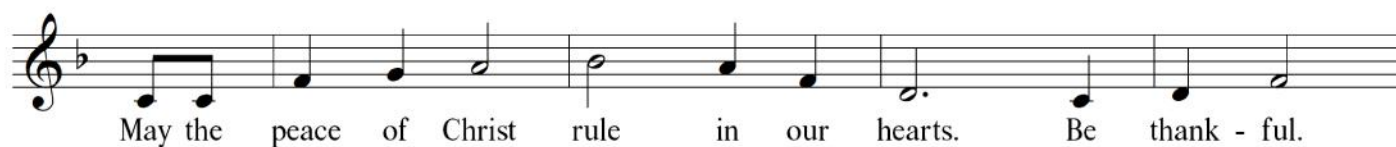
*“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”*

*MVLC Sanctuary Choir; Don Neptun, trumpet.*

*Stand.*

# OFFERTORY RESPONSE • "BE THANKFUL"

*Lutheran Summer Music 2023*



## OFFERTORY PRAYER

God of power, God of plenty,  
all things belong to you.

We bring your gifts to the table,  
that all might be fed.

Form us into the body of your Beloved,  
Jesus Christ our Savior.

**Amen.**

# THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them to the Lord.**

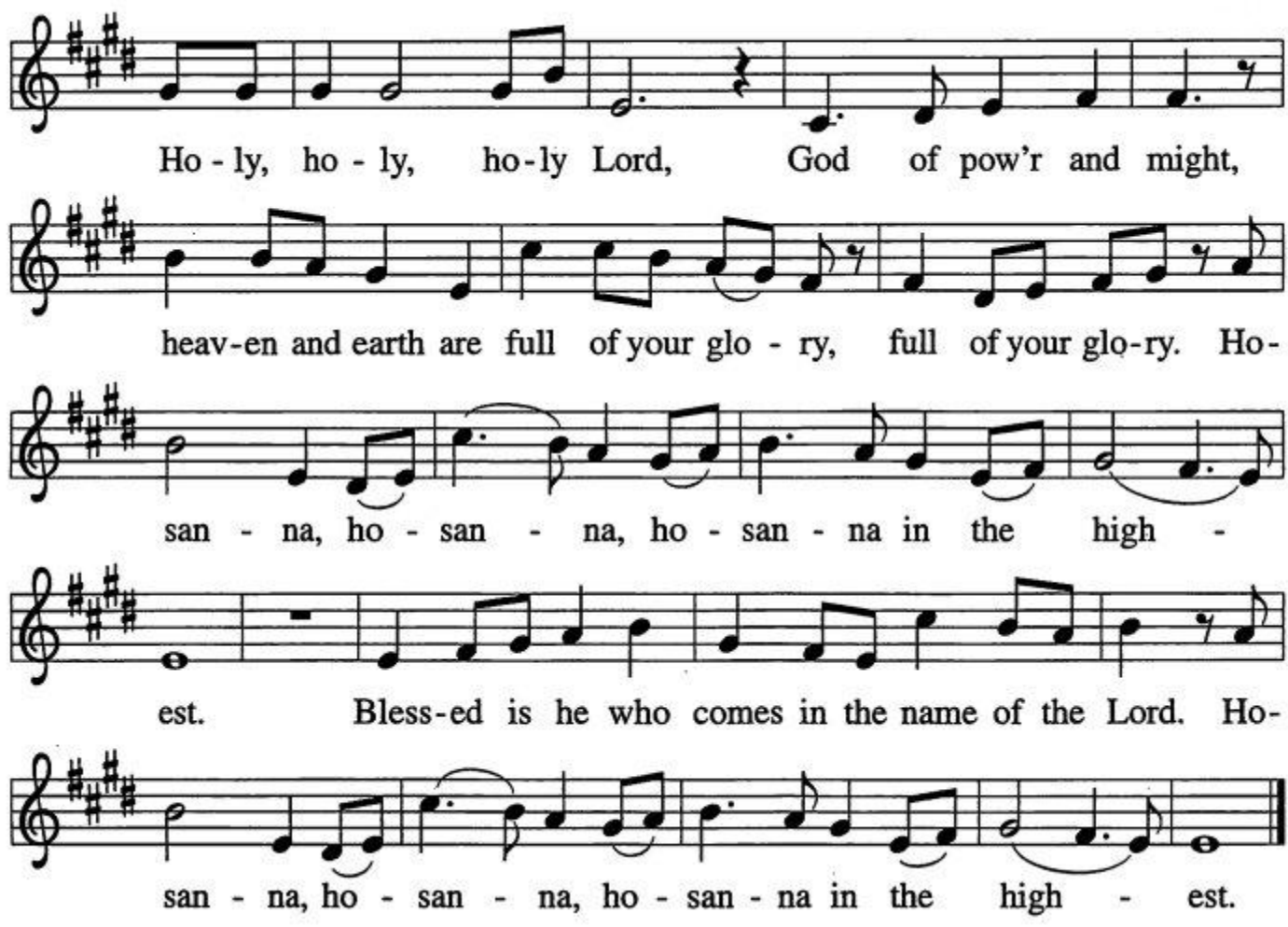
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right,  
our duty and our joy,  
that we should at all times  
and in all places  
give thanks and praise to you,  
almighty and merciful God,  
through our Savior Jesus Christ;  
who on this day overcame  
death and the grave,  
and by his glorious resurrection  
opened to us the way  
of everlasting life.

And so, with all the choirs of angels,  
with the church on earth  
and the hosts of heaven,  
we praise your name  
and join their unending hymn:

# SANCTUS • "HOLY, HOLY, HOLY"

*Evangelical Lutheran Worship • Holy Communion, Setting Eight*



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,  
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, 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, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION



## THE LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom  
and teach us to pray:

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen.**

## COMMUNION

Jesus invites you to this table.

Come, eat and live.

*Sit.*

## DISTRIBUTION

*At Mountain View Lutheran Church we practice an open communion table, which means that everyone is welcome to receive the body and blood of Jesus Christ. (You don't have to be a member of MVLC.)*

*If you need an alcohol-free element or a gluten-free element, then please let your server know.*

*If you are unable to come forward for communion, then please let an usher know and you will be served where you are seated.*

This is the table, not of the Church, but of Jesus Christ.  
It is made ready for those who are loved by God,  
whether you feel loved or not.

It is for those who desire to grow in love with God.

So come, you who have much faith and you who have little.

You who have been here often  
and you who have not been for a long time or ever before.

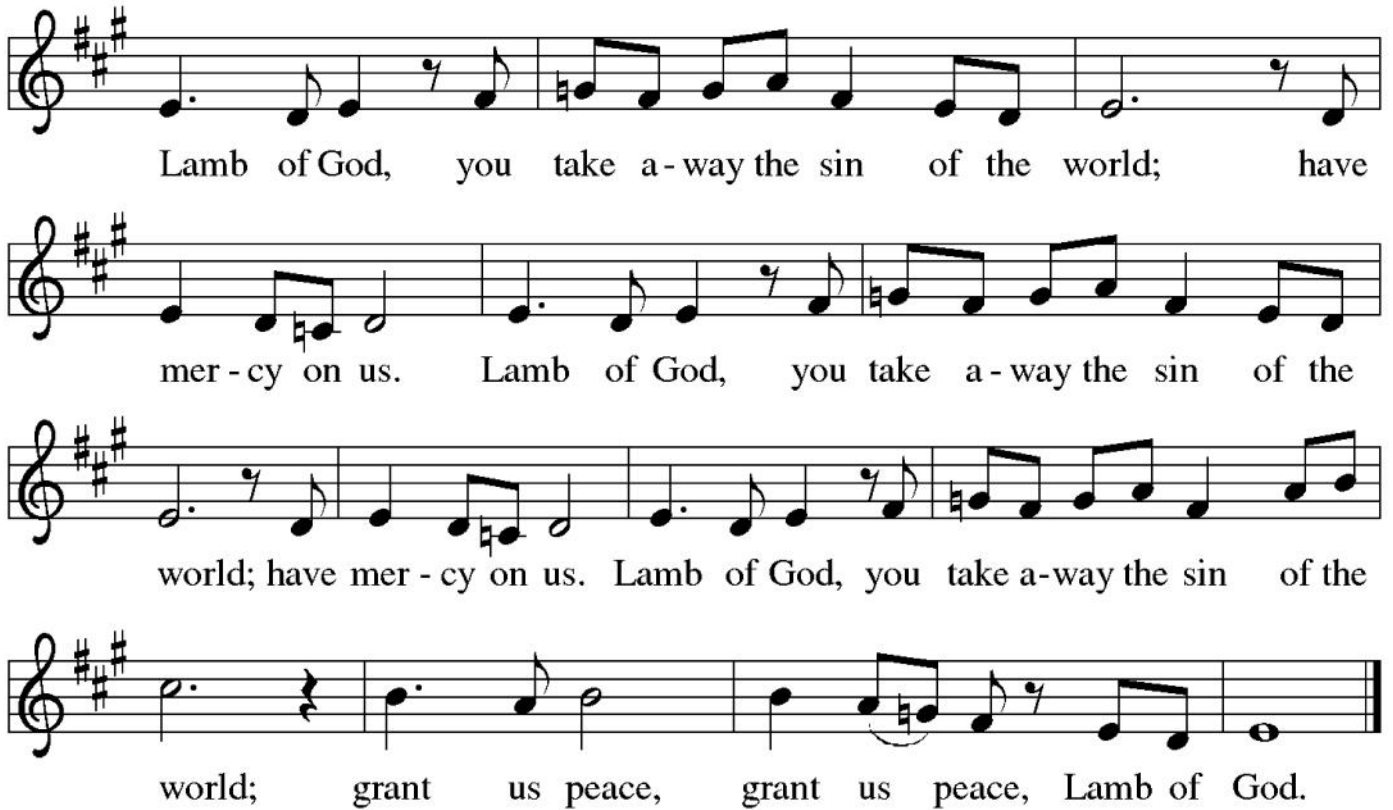
Come, you who have tried to follow  
and you who live with a sense of failure in your following.

Come, not because the Church invites you;  
it is Christ who invites you to be known and fed and loved here.

Please come. Receive the gifts of God for all the people of God.

# LAMB OF GOD • "LAMB OF GOD"

*Evangelical Lutheran Worship • Holy Communion, Setting Eight*



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the  
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the  
world; grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

# COMMUNION HYMN • "GOD EXTENDS AN INVITATION"

*Evangelical Lutheran Worship 486*



God ex - tends an in - vi - ta - tion to the ta - ble of cre -



a - tion, where there's wine and light and bread. Here we



gath - er in thanks - giv - ing and we of - fer all our liv - ing. Here the



feast of life is spread; here the feast of life is spread.

# COMMUNION HYMN • "HUMBLY IN YOUR SIGHT"

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1 Humb-ly in your sight we come to - gether, Lord.  
2 These our hearts are yours; we give them to you, Lord.  
3 These our ears are yours; we give them to you, Lord.  
4 These our eyes are yours; we give them to you, Lord.  
5 These our hands are yours; we give them to you, Lord.

4 Grant us now the blessing of your pre - sence here.  
Pu - ri - fy our love to make it like your own.  
O - pen them to hear the gos - pel straight from you.  
May we al - ways see this world as with your sight.  
Give them strength and skill to work and build for you.

6 These our tongues are yours;  
we give them to you, Lord.  
May we speak your healing words of light and truth.

7 These our feet are yours;  
we give them to you, Lord.  
May we always walk the path of light with you.

# COMMUNION HYMN • "I RECEIVED THE LIVING GOD"

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 477

*Refrain*



I re - ceived the liv - ing God, and my heart is full of joy.



I re - ceived the liv - ing God, and my heart is full of joy.



- 1 Je - sus said: I am the bread, knead - ed long to give you life;
- 2 Je - sus said: I am the way, and my Fa - ther longs for you;
- 3 Je - sus said: I am the truth; come and fol - low close to me.
- 4 Je - sus said: I am the life, far from whom no thing can grow,



*Refrain*

you who will par - take of me need not ev - er fear to die.  
so I come to bring you home to be one with us a - new.  
You will know me in your heart, and my word shall make you free.  
but re - ceive this liv - ing bread, and my Spir - it you shall know.

*Stand.*

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Blessed be your name, O God,  
**for we have feasted on your Word,  
Christ Jesus, the joy and delight of our hearts.**

**Strengthened by this food,  
send us as a community following Christ,  
to LOVE with an open heart,  
GROW with a curious mind,  
and SHARE with a generous spirit.**

**In Jesus' name we pray.**

**Amen.**

## DEACON SENDING

Gracious God,

**you took the form of a servant, offering yourself as food,  
comfort, and strength to a sick and hurting world.**

**Anoint with a servant heart those who take your word and  
sacrament to our siblings in their homes and in hospitals.**

**Grant grace, mercy, healing, and hope to those who feast on your  
body and blood and receive your words of new life.**

**May we all recognize that we have a place and a home  
in the body of our Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Amen.**

## BLESSING

The God of glory,  
+ Jesus Christ, name above all names,  
and the Spirit who live in you,  
bless you now and forever.

**Amen.**

# SENDING HYMN • "WELCOME TABLE"

All Creation Sings 969



1 I'm a-goin'-a eat at the wel - come ta - ble,  
2 I'm a-goin'-a feast on milk . . . and hon - ey,  
3 I'm a-goin'-a wade 'cross Jor - dan's riv - er,



I'm a-goin'-a eat at the wel - come ta - ble, some of these days.  
I'm a-goin'-a feast on milk . . . and hon - ey, some of these days.  
I'm a-goin'-a wade 'cross Jor - dan's riv - er, some of these days.



I'm a-goin'-a eat at the wel - come ta - ble,  
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## SENDING

Go in peace. God is at work in you.

**Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE



*Flowers on the altar today  
are given to the glory of God  
by Connie McCrossin  
in memory of her parents  
Bob and Esther Wiesner.*

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