



8 May 2022

10am



Fourth Sunday of Easter

Welcome!

We bid you a very warm welcome to our worship. As we gather in this sacred space, silent prayer and reflection helps us to prepare for the service. We acknowledge our presence is on the traditional, ancestral, and unceded territory of the Coast Salish Peoples. Listening devices are available for the hearing impaired during the service; please contact one of our greeters.

Please rise as you are able to sing our opening Hymn No 224 in Common Praise.

- 1 Awake, arise, lift up your voice,
let Easter music swell;
rejoice in Christ, again rejoice,
and on his praises dwell.**
- 2 Oh, with what gladness and surprise
the saints their Saviour greet;
nor will they trust their ears and eyes
but by his hands and feet:**
- 3 those hands of liberal love indeed
in infinite degree,
those feet still free to move and bleed
for millions and for me.**
- 4 His enemies had sealed the stone
as Pilate gave them leave,
lest dead and friendless and alone
he should their skill deceive.**
- 5 O Dead arise! O Friendless stand
by seraphim adored!
O Solitude again command
your host from heaven restored!**

Priest

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

All

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Priest

May his grace and peace be with you.

All

May he fill our hearts with joy.

All

**Almighty God, to you all hearts are open,
all desires known,**

and from you no secrets are hidden.

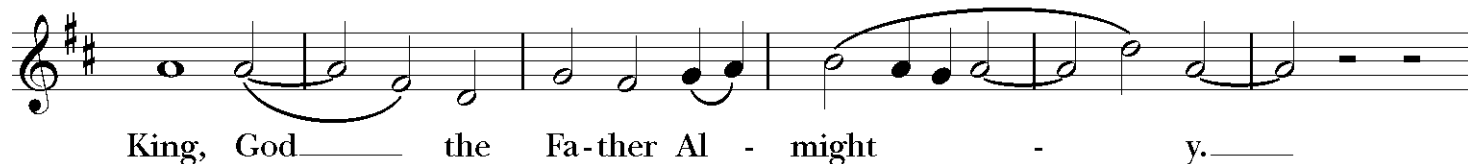
**Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the
inspiration of your Holy Spirit,**

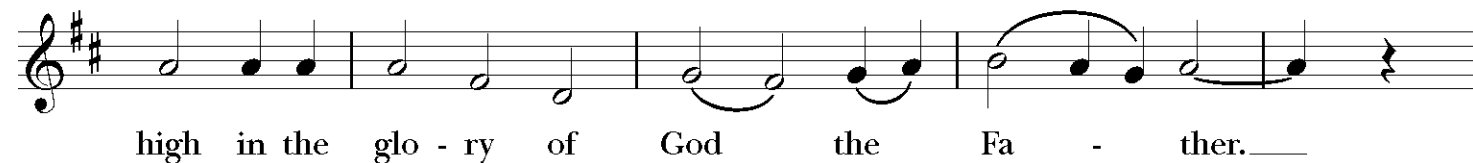
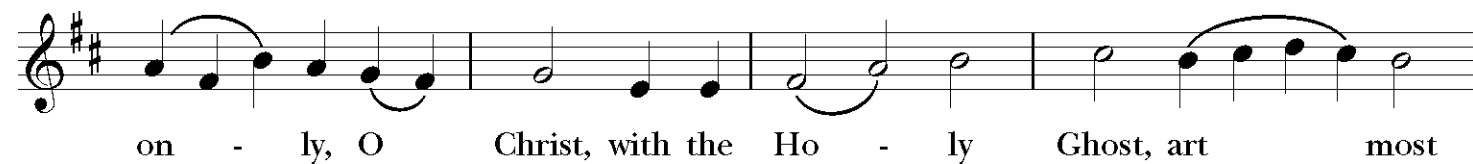
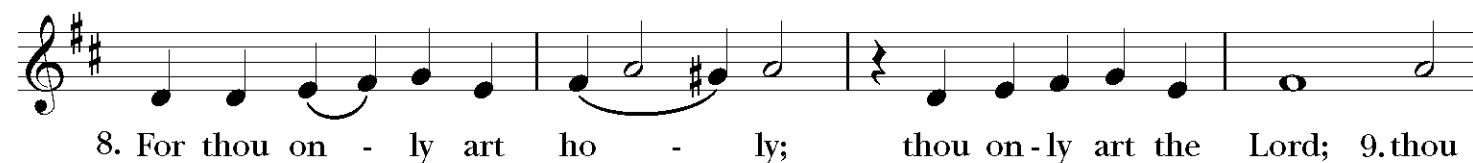
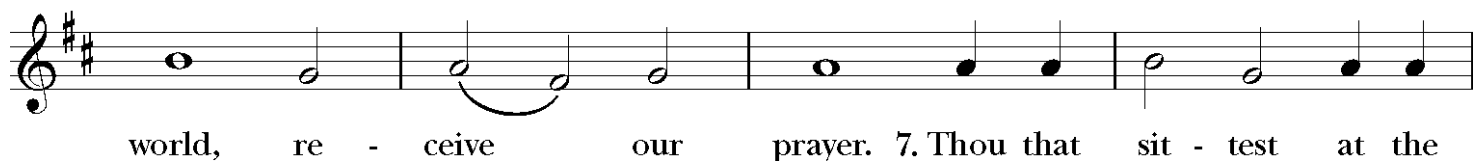
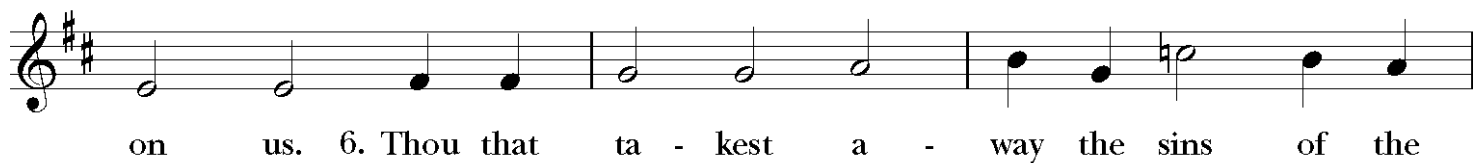
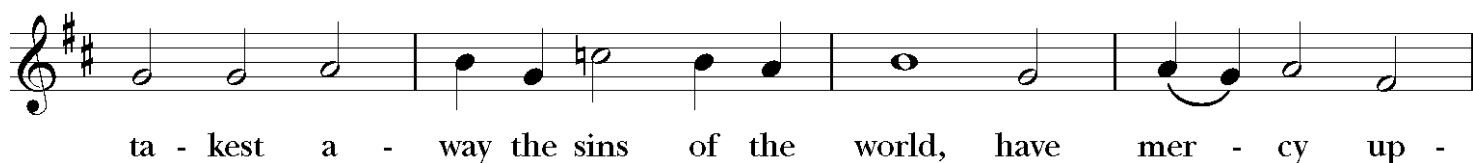
that we may perfectly love you,

and worthily magnify your holy name;

through Christ our Lord. Amen.

We sing together the 'Gloria in Excelsis.'





Priest

Let us pray.

Risen Christ,
faithful shepherd of the flock:
teach us to hear your voice
and to follow your command,
so that all your people may be gathered
into one flock, to the glory of God,
the Shepherd of Israel.

All

Amen.

Children's Focus

After the Children's Focus, the children are invited to go to Sunday School and will return for Communion.

Please sit for a reading from the Acts of the Apostles (Chapter 9.36-43)

Reader

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, 'Please come to us without delay.' So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, 'Tabitha, get up.' Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

Reader

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

All

Thanks be to God.

Please remain seated to chant Psalm 23

Cantor sings Refrain



The Lord is my shep - herd; I shall not be,___ in want.

All sing Refrain

Choir only ¹ The Lord | is my | shepherd; *
 I shall not | be in | want.
 ² He makes me lie down | in green | pastures *
 and leads me be-|side still | waters.
 ³ He re-|vives my | soul *
 and guides me along right pathways for | his name's | sake.

All sing Refrain

Choir only ⁴ Though I walk through the valley of the sha-|dow of | death, *
 I shall | fear no | evil;
for | you are | with me; *
 your rod and your staff, they | comfort | me.
 ⁵ You spread a table | before | me *
 in the presence of those who | trouble | me;
you have anointed my | head with | oil, *
 and my cup is | running | over.
 ⁶ Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days | of
my | life, *
 and I will dwell in the house of the | Lord for | ever.

All sing Refrain

Please remain seated for a reading from the Book of Revelation (Chapter 7.9-17)

Reader After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, 'Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!'

And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshipped God, singing,
'Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom
and thanksgiving and honour
and power and might
be to our God for ever and ever! Amen.'

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, 'Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?' I said to him, 'Sir, you are the one that knows.' Then he said to me, 'These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

For this reason they are before the throne of God,
and worship him day and night within his temple,
and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.

They will hunger no more, and thirst no more;
the sun will not strike them,
nor any scorching heat;

for the Lamb at the centre of the throne will be their shepherd,
and he will guide them to springs of the water of life,
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.'

Reader
All

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
Thanks be to God.

*Please rise as you are able to sing our Gradual Hymn No 520 in Common Praise,
tune St Columba*

- 1 The King of love my shepherd is,
whose goodness faileth never;
I nothing lack if I am his,
and he is mine forever.**
- 2 Where streams of living water flow,
my ransomed soul he leadeth,**

and where the verdant pastures grow,
with food celestial feedeth.

- 3 Perverse and foolish oft I strayed,
but yet in love he sought me,
and on his shoulder gently laid,
and home rejoicing brought me.
- 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill
with thee, dear Lord, beside me;
thy rod and staff my comfort still,
thy cross before to guide me.
- 5 Thou spread'st a table in my sight;
thy unction grace bestoweth;
and O what transport of delight
from thy pure chalice floweth!
- 6 And so through all the length of days
thy goodness faileth never;
good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise
within thy house forever!

We remain standing for the Gospel



Deacon Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

All **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

Deacon We know that Christ, being raised from the dead,
will never die again.

All **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

Deacon The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to
St. John. (Chapter 10.22-30)

All **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Deacon

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, 'How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly.' Jesus answered, 'I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one.'

At the conclusion of the Gospel

Deacon

The Gospel of Christ.

All

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon

The Reverend Terry Shields Dirbas

Please rise as you are able as we affirm our faith

Apostles' Creed

Priest

I believe in God,

All

**the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ,
his only Son, our Lord.**

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.**

**He 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,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again
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.**

Please remain standing or kneel as you are able for our prayers

At the conclusion of the Prayers of the People:

Intercessor Rejoicing in the fellowship of Mary the mother of Jesus,
and St John the Beloved, our patron and all the saints we
commend ourselves and all people to your unfailing love.
Merciful Father:

All **Accept these our prayers for the sake of your Son
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

Please rise as you are able for the Peace

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All **And also with you.**

All may exchange a sign of peace

During the singing of Hymn No 85 a collection will be taken

- 1 Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless
your chosen pilgrim flock
with manna in the wilderness,
with water from the rock.**
- 2 We would not live by bread alone,
but by your word of grace,
in strength of which we travel on
to our abiding place.**
- 3 Be known to us in breaking bread,
and do not then depart;
Savior, abide with us, and spread
your table in our heart.**

**4 Lord, sup with us in love divine,
your body and your blood,
that living bread, that heavenly wine,
be our immortal food.**

Prayer over the gifts

Priest God of loving care,
you spread before us the table of life,
and give us the cup of salvation to drink.
Keep us always in the fold of your Son Jesus Christ,
our Saviour and our shepherd.

All **Amen.**

The musical notation is on a single staff with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). It consists of two measures. The first measure contains the lyrics 'The Lord be with you.' and the second measure contains 'And al-so with you.' The melody is simple, using quarter and eighth notes with some ties.

The Lord be with you. And al-so with you.

The musical notation is on a single staff with a key signature of one flat. It consists of two measures. The first measure contains the lyrics 'Lift up your hearts.' and the second measure contains 'We lift them to the Lord.' The melody is simple, using quarter and eighth notes with some ties.

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

The musical notation is on a single staff with a key signature of one flat. It consists of two measures. The first measure contains the lyrics 'Let us give thanks' and the second measure contains 'to the Lord our God.' The melody is simple, using quarter and eighth notes with some ties.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

The musical notation is on a single staff with a key signature of one flat. It consists of two measures. The first measure contains the lyrics 'It is right' and the second measure contains 'to give our thanks and praise.' The melody is simple, using quarter and eighth notes with some ties.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Priest Blessed are you, gracious God,
creator of heaven and earth;
we give you thanks and praise
for the glorious resurrection of your Son
Jesus Christ our Lord;
for he is the true paschal lamb
who has taken away the sin of the world.
By his death he destroyed death,
and by his rising to life again
he has won for us eternal life.
Therefore, joining our voices
with the whole company of heaven,
we sing our joyful hymn of praise
to proclaim the glory of your name.

O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a -

way the sins of the world, have mer - cy up -

on us. O Lamb of God, that

ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, have

mer - cy up - on us. O Lamb of

God, that ta - kest a - way the sins of the

world, grant us thy peace.

Priest

We give thanks to you, Lord our God,
for the goodness and love
you have made known to us in creation;
in calling Israel to be your people;

in your Word spoken through the prophets;
and above all in the Word made flesh,
Jesus your Son.

For in these last days you sent him
to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world.
In him, you have delivered us from evil,
and made us worthy to stand before you.
In him, you have brought us
out of error into truth,
out of sin into righteousness,
out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over
to suffering and death,
a death he freely accepted,
our Lord Jesus Christ took bread;
and when he had given thanks to you,
he broke it, and gave it to his disciples,
and said, “ Take, eat:
this is my body which is given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.”

After supper he 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 shed for you and for many
for the forgiveness of sins.
Whenever you drink it,
do this for the remembrance of me.”

Therefore, Father, according to his command,
we remember his death,
we proclaim his resurrection,
we await his coming in glory;

All

Priest

and we offer our sacrifice
of praise and thanksgiving
to you, Lord of all;
presenting to you, from your creation,
this bread and this wine.
We pray you, gracious God,
to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts,
that they may be the sacrament
of the body of Christ
and his blood of the new covenant.
Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice,
that we, made acceptable in him,
may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time,
reconcile all things in Christ,
and make them new,
and bring us to that city of light
where you dwell with all your sons and daughters;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
the firstborn of all creation,
the head of the Church,
and the author of our salvation;
by whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father,
now and for ever.

All

Amen.

Priest

And now as our Saviour Christ has taught us,
we are bold to say,

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

The Priest breaks the consecrated bread

Priest Lord, we died with you on the cross.

All **Now we are raised to new life.**

Priest We were buried in your tomb.

All **Now we share in your resurrection.**

Priest Live in us, that we may live in you.

Priest The gifts of God, for the people of God

All **Thanks be to God.**

We invite all baptized Christians to receive Communion at our altar. If you wish to receive a blessing please come at the same time. Intinction is not permitted as it contaminates the wine. It is acceptable to receive either bread or wine only.

If you are unable to make your way to the altar please ask a sidesperson to have Communion brought to you. Gluten free wafers are available.

Communion Anthem Alleluia, I Heard a Voice T Weelkes

*Alleluia. I heard a voice as of strong thunderings, saying, Alleluia.
Salvation and glory and honour and power
be unto the Lord our God and to the Lamb for evermore.
Alleluia.*

Prayer after Communion

Priest Let us pray.

God of steadfast love,
watch over the Church
redeemed by the blood of your Son.
May we who share in these holy mysteries
come safely to your eternal kingdom,
where there is one flock and one shepherd.

We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ
the risen Lord.

All **Amen.**

Priest Glory to God,
All **whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more
than we ask or imagine. Glory to God from
generation to generation, in the Church and in
Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.**

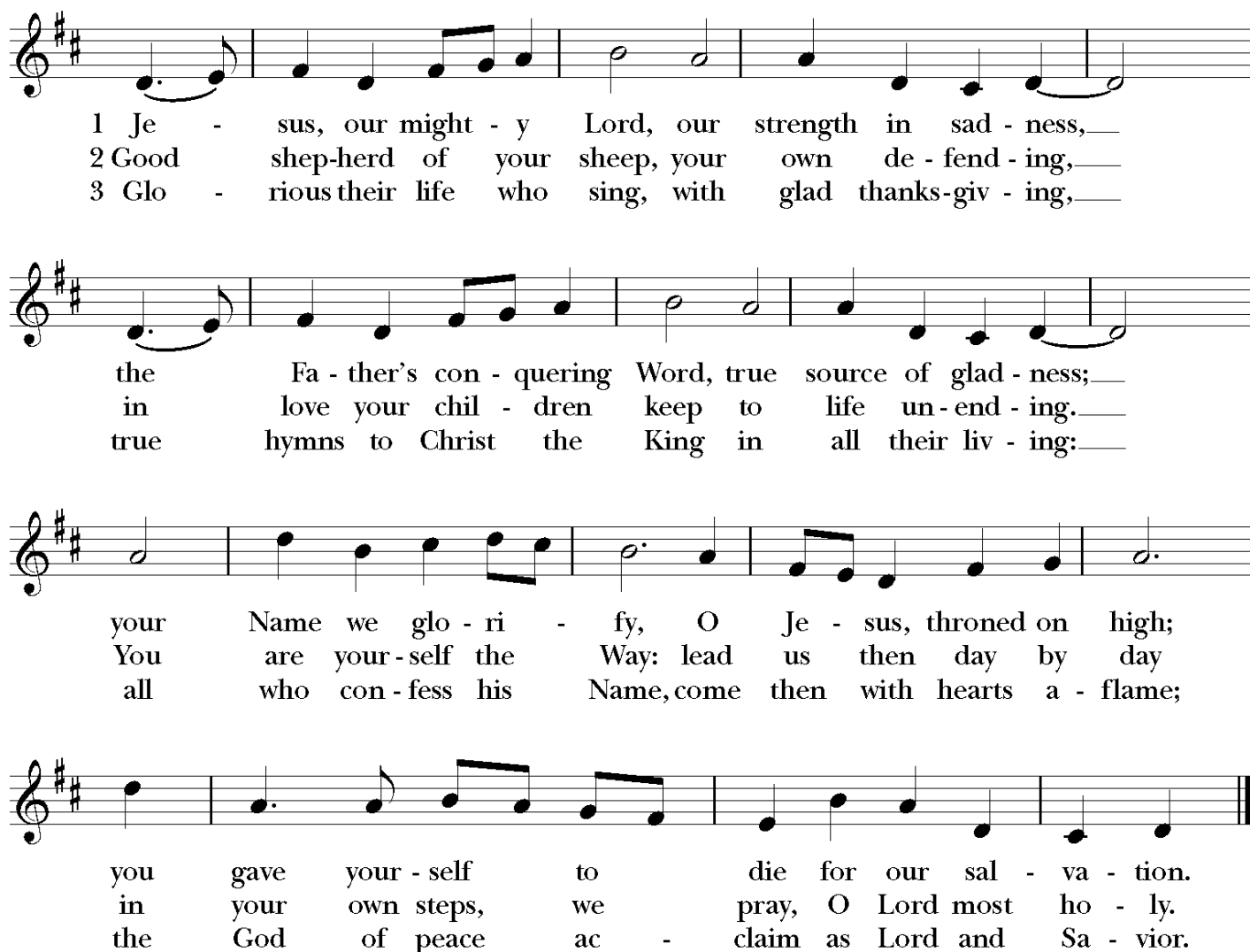
We sit for the notices

We stand for the Blessing

Priest The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our
Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, through the
blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in
every good work to do his will, working in you that which
is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God
Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be
among you and remain with you always.

All **Amen.**

We sing our final hymn



1 Je - sus, our might - y Lord, our strength in sad - ness, —
 2 Good shep-herd of your sheep, your own de - fend - ing, —
 3 Glo - rious their life who sing, with glad thanks-giv - ing, —

the Fa - ther's con - quering Word, true source of glad - ness; —
 in love your chil - dren keep to life un - end - ing. —
 true hymns to Christ the King in all their liv - ing: —

your Name we glo - ri - fy, O Je - sus, throned on high;
 You are your - self the Way: lead us then day by day
 all who con - fess his Name, come then with hearts a - flame;

you gave your - self to die for our sal - va - tion.
 in your own steps, we pray, O Lord most ho - ly.
 the God of peace ac - claim as Lord and Sa - vior.

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Dismissal

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

Postlude V. Toccata from Symphony No 5 CM Widor

The organ postlude is to uplift us as we go out into the world. Kindly refrain from applauding. Please join us in the Trendell Lounge for refreshments.

The flowers on the Altar
are given to the Glory of God
and in memory of my dearest Beah
with love from Reinhard

Sunday in-person services 8am and 10am

Sunday online service

10am Holy Eucharist live-stream

Wednesday online service

8pm Midweek Meditation

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