St. Ann & the Holy Trinity Church

Pro-Cathedral *of the* Episcopal Diocese of Long Island

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Claude Monet (French, 1840–1926), *The Sheltered Path*, 1873. Oil on canvas, 54.1 x 65.7 cm. Philadelphia Museum of Art. Photo: Victoria Emily Jones.

Holy Eucharist

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

October 11, 2026

11:15 AM

Welcome

to St. Ann & the Holy Trinity Church
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St. Ann & the Holy Trinity Episcopal Church is a house of worship and community commons in Brooklyn Heights. We are a welcoming church that is deeply committed to sharing God's love, caring for creation, and serving our neighbors in need. We continue to pray for the safety of all God's people in our community, our nation and the world.

We are so glad you have joined us for worship!

Leaders in Today's Service

Celebrant	The Rev. Brendan F. Nee
Preacher	The Rev. Canon John E. Denaro
Assisting Priest	The Rev. Canon Marie A. Tatro
Lay Eucharistic Minister	Colleen Heemeyer
Crucifer	Harry Johnson
First Reader	Claudia Barber
Second Reader	Hrair Seropian
Intercessor	Gabrielle Maggio
Ushers	Sven Heemeyer Ned McBee
Organist	Gregory D'Agostino
Altar Guild	Claudia Barber Nancy Nicolette
Livestream Director	Olivia Mundie

Chorus

Amy van Roekel, Vivian Plank, Rachel Gallagher, Joy Bogle-Taylor, Kit Duckworth, & Grace VanAlstyne, sopranos
Tais Szilagi, Sharon Lyons, & Kristy VanAlstyne, altos
Robert Kopf, Allison Scott, & Clint Padgitt, tenors
Richard Holmes & Joel Van Liew, basses

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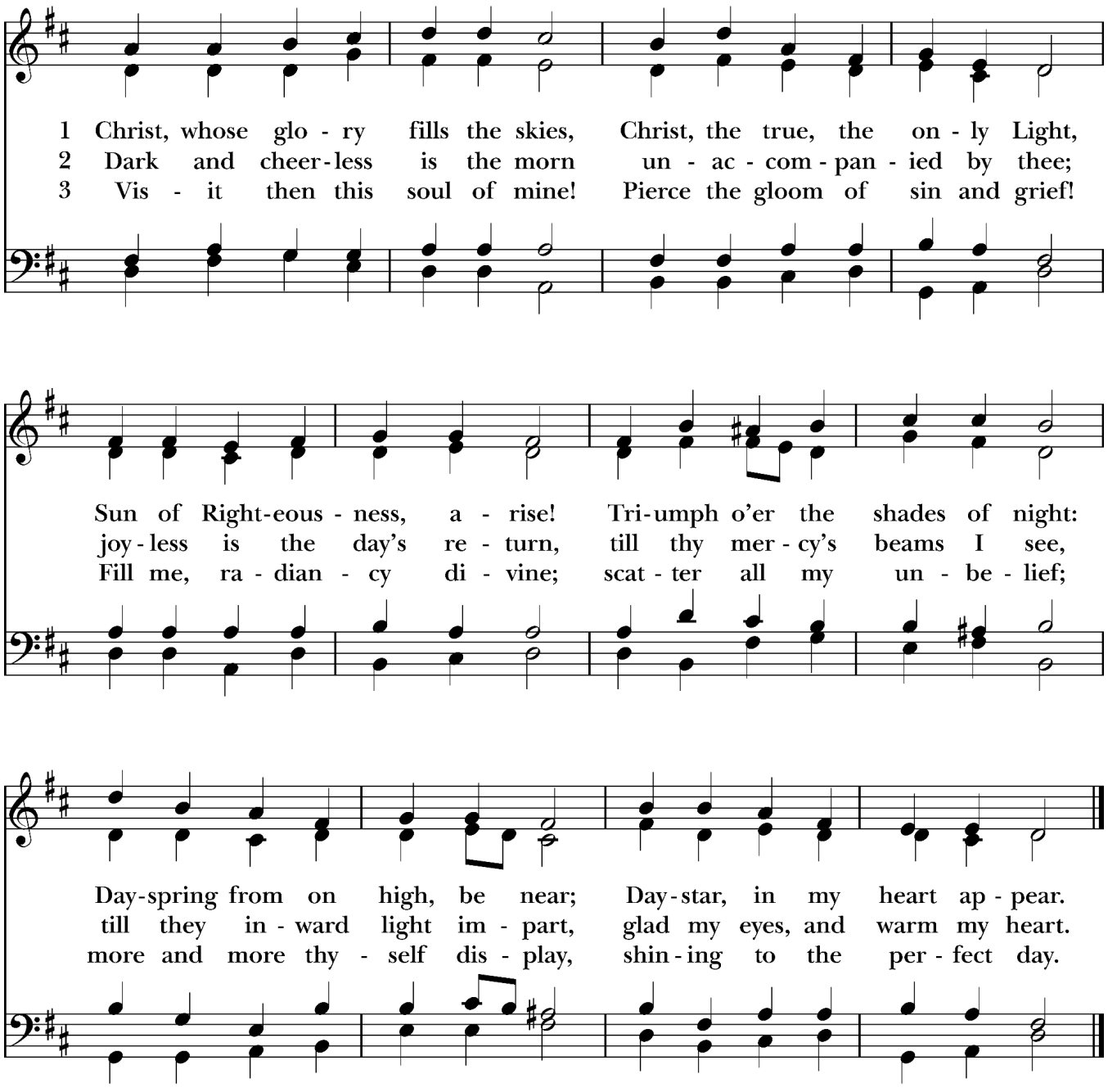
PRELUDE **The Call** *Ralph Vaughan Williams*

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The People stand, as they are able, and sing.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN *The Hymnal 1982, #7*

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Blessed be God: Sovereign, Savior, and Sustainer.

People **And blessed be God's reign, now and for ever. Amen.**

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Celebrant Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: 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.

People **Amen.**

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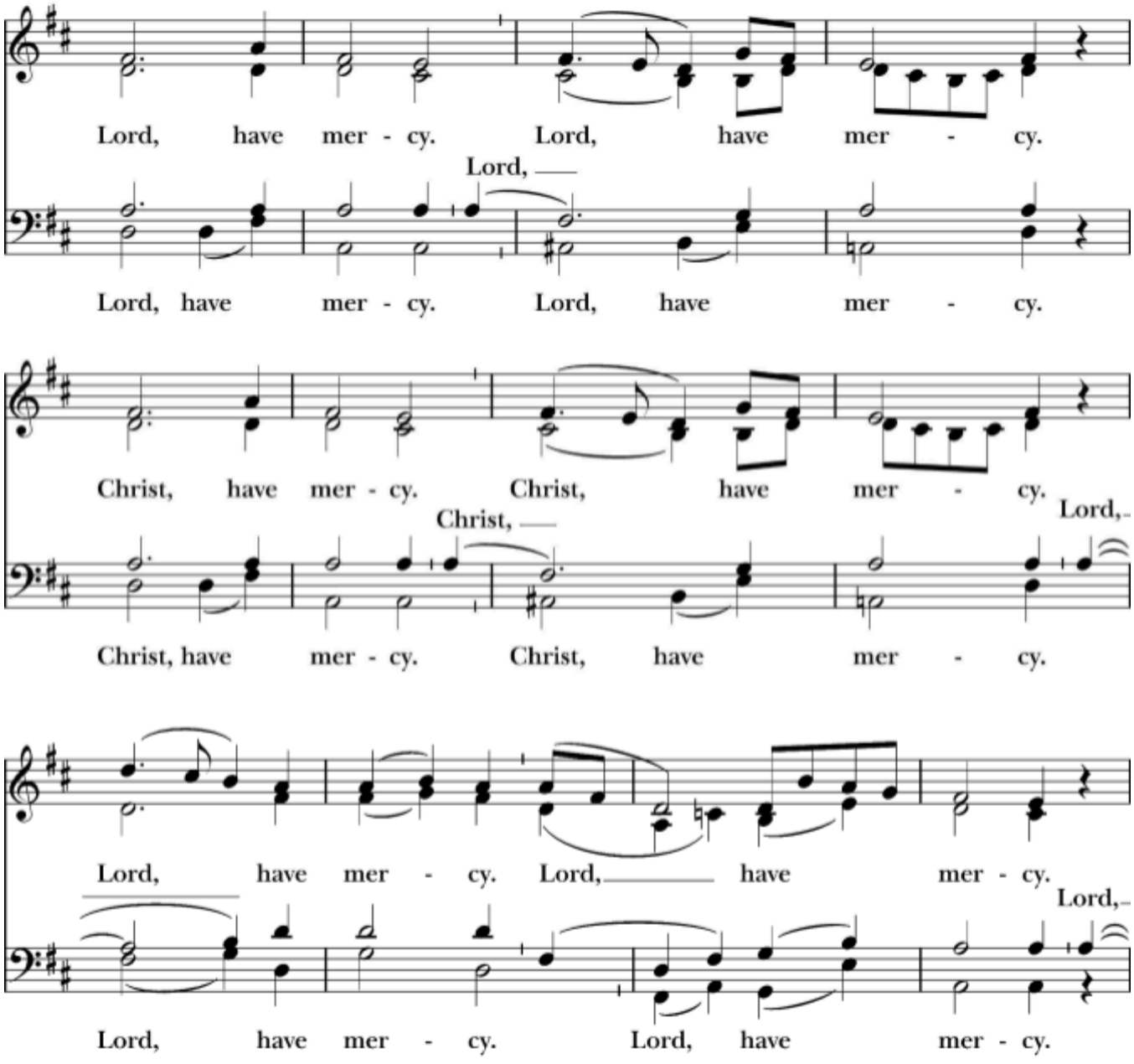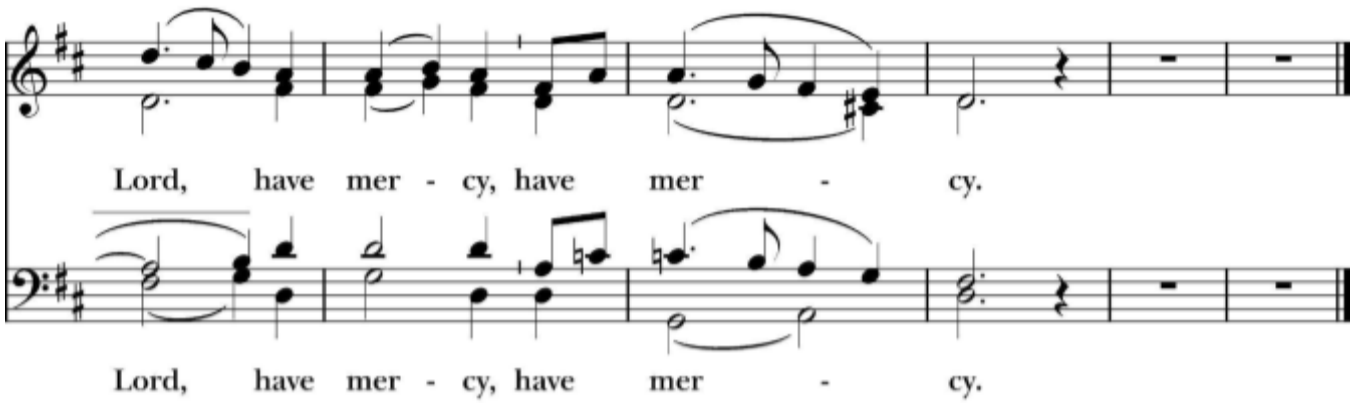
COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People **Amen.**

The People are seated.

THE FIRST LESSON *Isaiah 25:1–9*

Reader A Reading from the Book of Isaiah.

O Lord, you are my God;
I will exalt you; I will praise your name,
for you have done wonderful things,
plans formed of old, faithful and sure.
For you have made the city a heap,
the fortified city a ruin;
the palace of foreigners is a city no more;
it will never be rebuilt.
Therefore strong peoples will glorify you;
cities of ruthless nations will fear you.
For you have been a refuge to the poor,
a refuge to the needy in their distress,
a shelter from the rainstorm and a shade from the heat.

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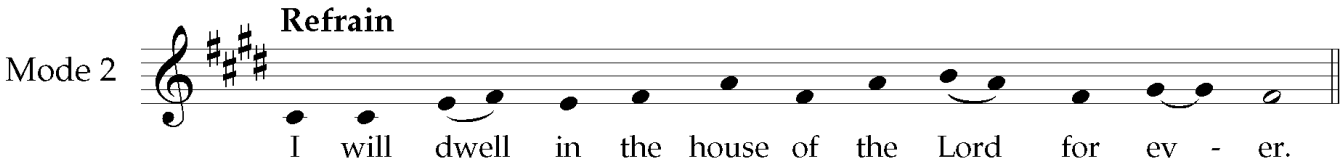
When the blast of the ruthless was like a winter rainstorm,
the noise of foreigners like heat in a dry place,
you subdued the heat with the shade of clouds;
the song of the ruthless was stilled.

On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples
a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines,
of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear.
And he will destroy on this mountain
the shroud that is cast over all peoples,
the covering that is spread over all nations;
he will swallow up death forever.
Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces,
and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth,
for the Lord has spoken.
It will be said on that day,
"See, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us.
This is the Lord for whom we have waited;
let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation."

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.
People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 23 *Dominus regit me*

The cantor introduces the refrain. The congregation repeats the refrain and sings when indicated.



The Lord is my shepherd; *
I shall not be in want.
He makes me lie down in green pastures *
and leads me beside still waters. **Refrain**
He revives my soul *
and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.
Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I shall fear no evil; *
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff, they comfort me. **Refrain**

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.
Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, *
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever. **Refrain**

THE SECOND LESSON *Philippians 4:1–9*

Reader A reading From the Letter of Paul to the Philippians.

Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my coworkers, whose names are in the book of life.

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

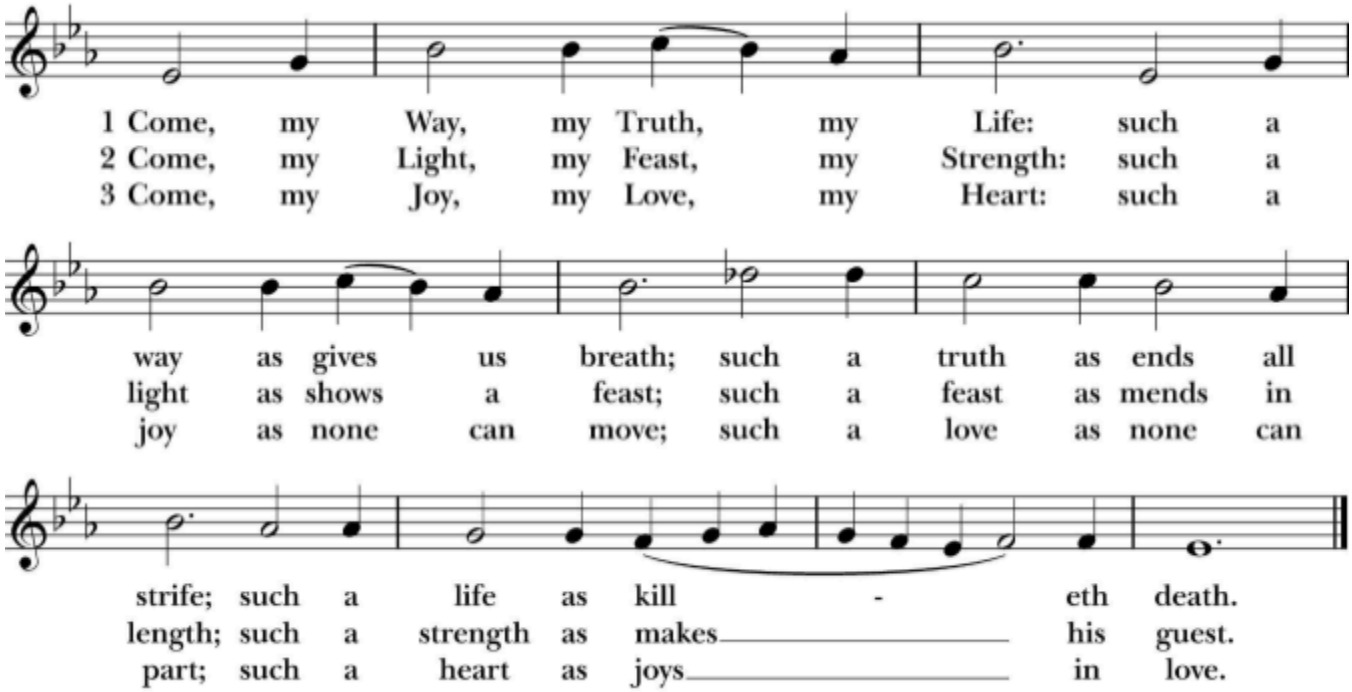
Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. As for the things that you have learned and received and heard and noticed in me, do them, and the God of peace will be with you.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.
People **Thanks be to God.**

The People stand, as they are able, and sing.

SEQUENCE HYMN

The Hymnal 1982, #675



THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 22:1–14

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Once more Jesus spoke to the people in parables, saying: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, 'Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.' But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, 'The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.' Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

"But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?' And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' For many are called, but few are chosen."

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Preacher invites the People to be seated.

SERMON

The Rev. Canon John E. Denaro

The People stand as they are able.

NICENE CREED *said in unison*

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Adapted from A New Zealand Prayer Book / He Karakia Mihinare o Aotearoa

Leader With confidence and faith, we bring our prayers to God.

Holy One, enliven the Church for its mission;

All **that we may be salt of the earth and light to the world.**

Leader Breathe fresh life into your people.

All **Give us power to reveal Christ in word and action.**

Leader Creator of all, lead us and all people into the ways of justice and peace;

All **that we may respect one another in freedom and truth.**

Leader Awaken in us a sense of wonder for the earth and all that is in it.

All **Teach us to care creatively for its resources.**

Leader God of truth, inspire with your wisdom those whose decisions affect the lives of others;

All **that all may act with integrity and courage.**

Leader Bless all whose lives are linked with ours.

All **May we serve Christ in one another, and love as he loves us.**

Leader God of hope and comfort, restore all who suffer in body, mind or spirit.

All **May they know the power of your healing love.**

Leader Make us instruments of your compassion.

All **Strengthen us as we share in making people whole.**

Leader We remember with thanksgiving those who have died in the faith of Christ, and those whose faith is known to you alone.

All **Into your hands we commend them, O God.**

Leader Give comfort to those who mourn.

All **Bring them peace in their time of loss.**

The Celebrant adds the following collect:

Celebrant Lord, you have called us to serve you. Grant that we may walk in your presence with your love in our hearts, your truth in our minds, your strength in our wills, until our journey's end, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People **Amen.**

WHAT IS SIN? In the Episcopal Church, we understand sin as seeking our own will instead of the will of God, thus distorting our relationship with God, with other people, and with all creation. Through Jesus Christ, we are liberated from the power of sin—in other words, from the proclivities and choices that take us out of relationship—so that we may live in harmony with God, within ourselves, with our neighbors, and with all creation. *—Book of Common Prayer, "An Outline of the Faith," pp. 848–49*

THE CONFESSION

Celebrant 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.

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

People **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The People are seated after exchanging the peace.

WORD OF WELCOME

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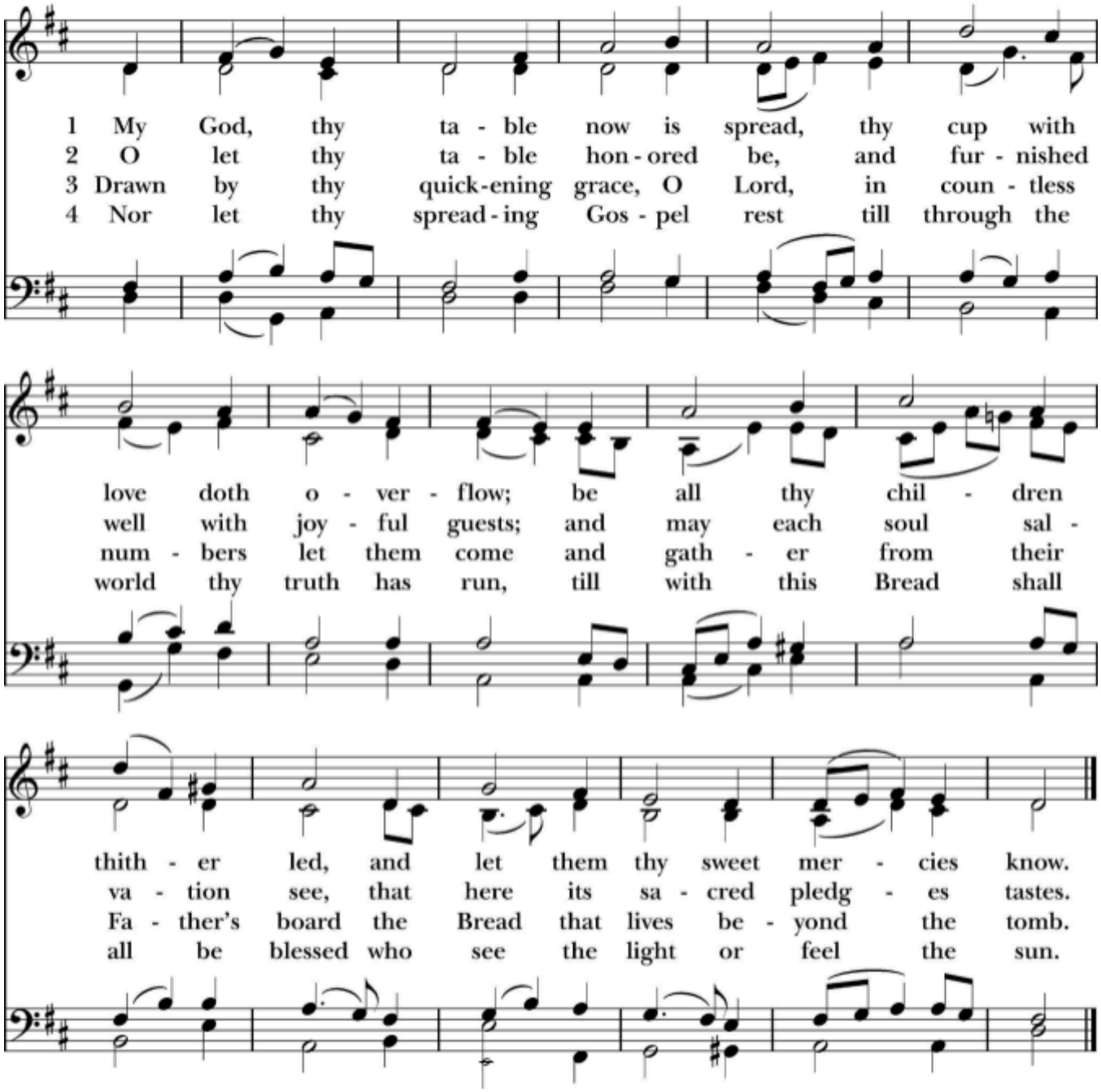
OFERTORY SENTENCE

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Lord is my shepherd, The (Requiem) *John Rutter*

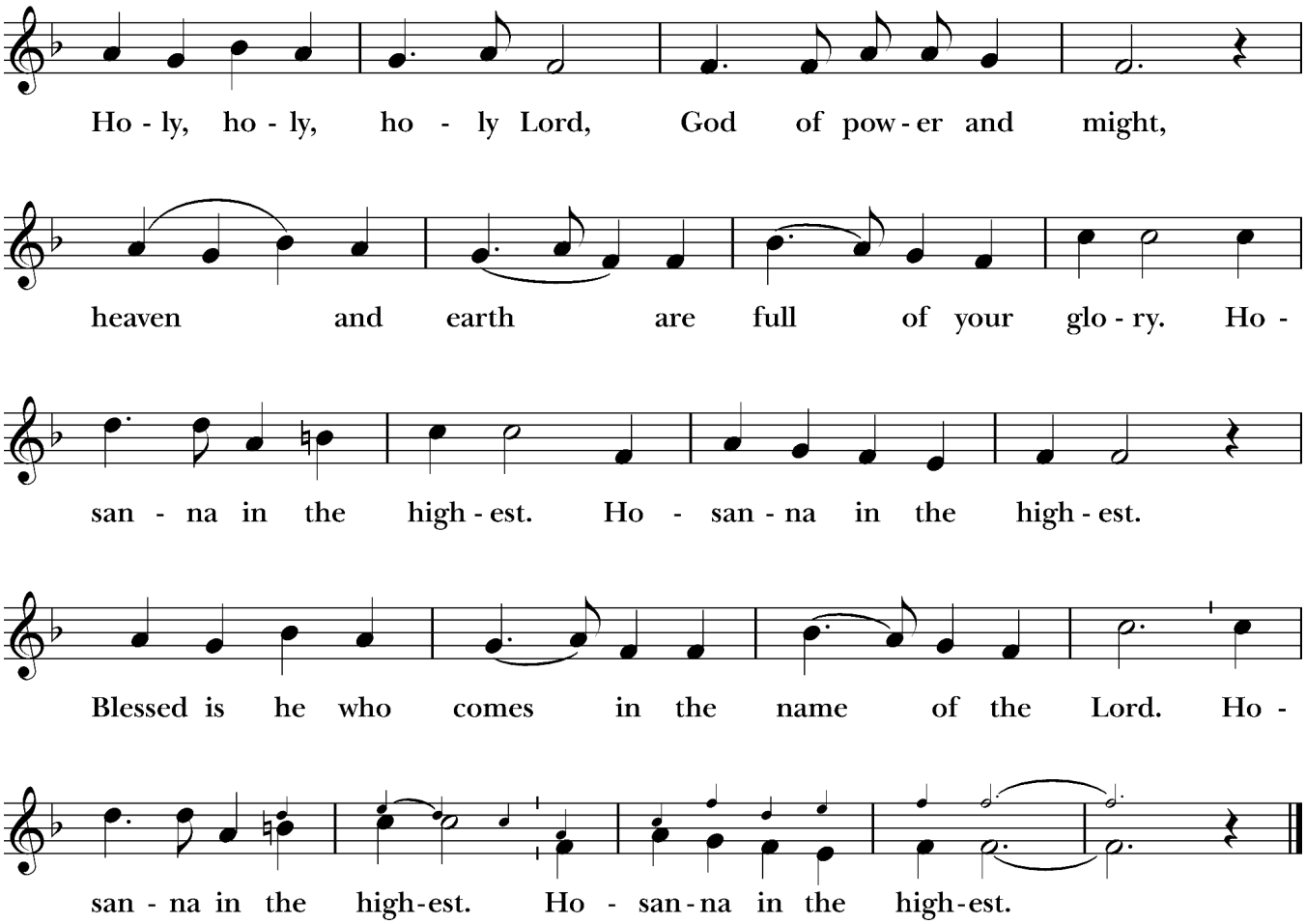
OFFERTORY HYMN *The Hymnal 1982, #321*

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING *Eucharistic Prayer A (ELV)*

The People stand as they are able.

Celebrant God be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them to the Lord.**
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**
Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth, for you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS *The Hymnal 1982, #S-125*



The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious God: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and maker of all. Jesus stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Savior 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 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 shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

The Celebrant continues

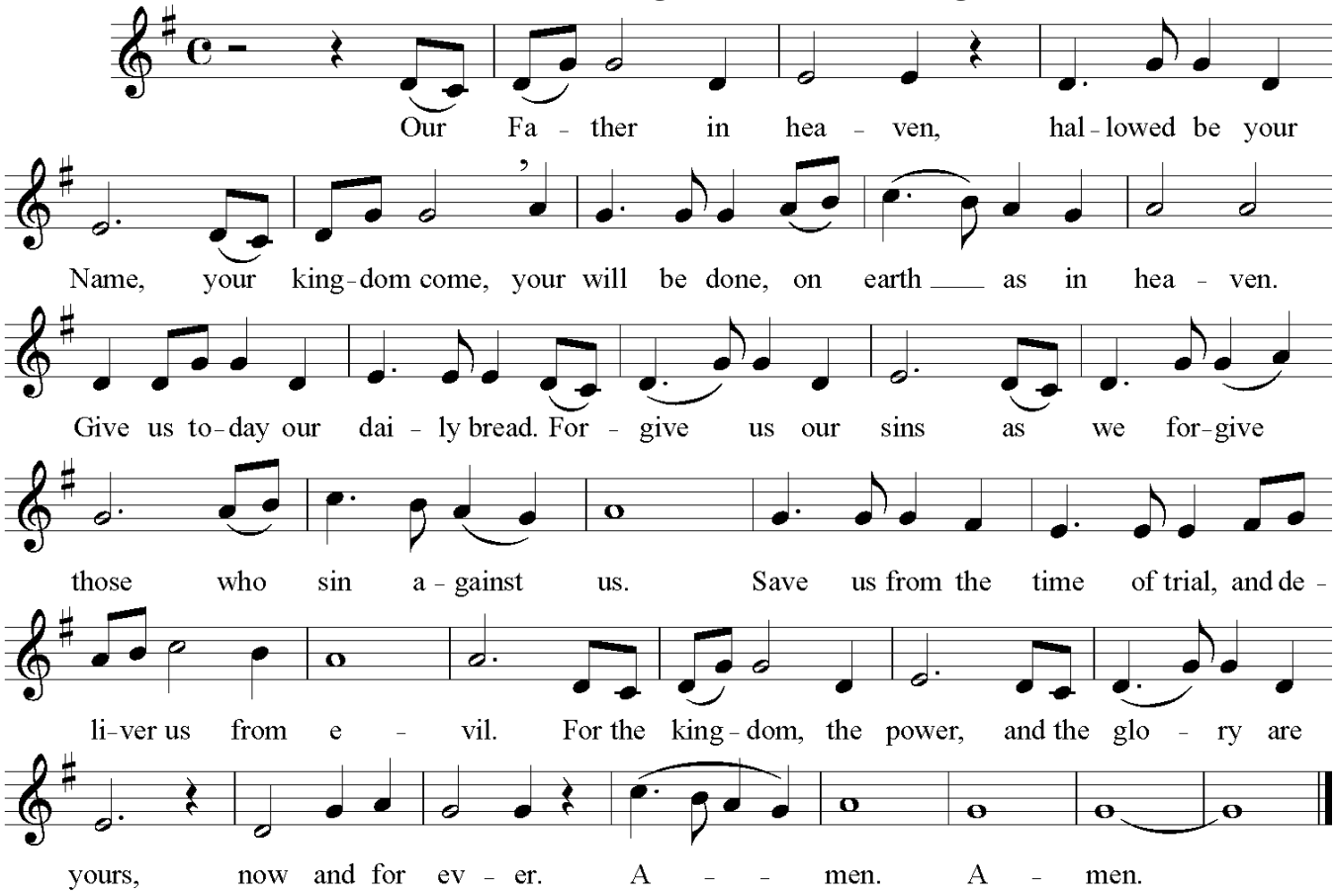
We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, Almighty God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ's death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in Christ. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through Jesus Christ our Savior. By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Barry McLeod

Celebrant As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now sing,

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Celebrant The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

ALL ARE WELCOME at this meal of the baptized. You may be seated until an usher invites you forward.

Our common practice is to receive the bread in outstretched hands. Let the priest know if you would like a gluten-free wafer. To receive the wine, please drink from the cup—it is more hygienic than dipping the bread.

If it is not your practice to receive Communion, you may cross your arms over your chest, and the priest will offer a blessing.

Most Sundays, healing prayer is offered underneath the balcony.

COMMUNION ANTHEM

My shepherd will supply my need *arr. Melinda Allred*

The People stand, as they are able, and pray.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

People **Eternal God, heavenly Father,**
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

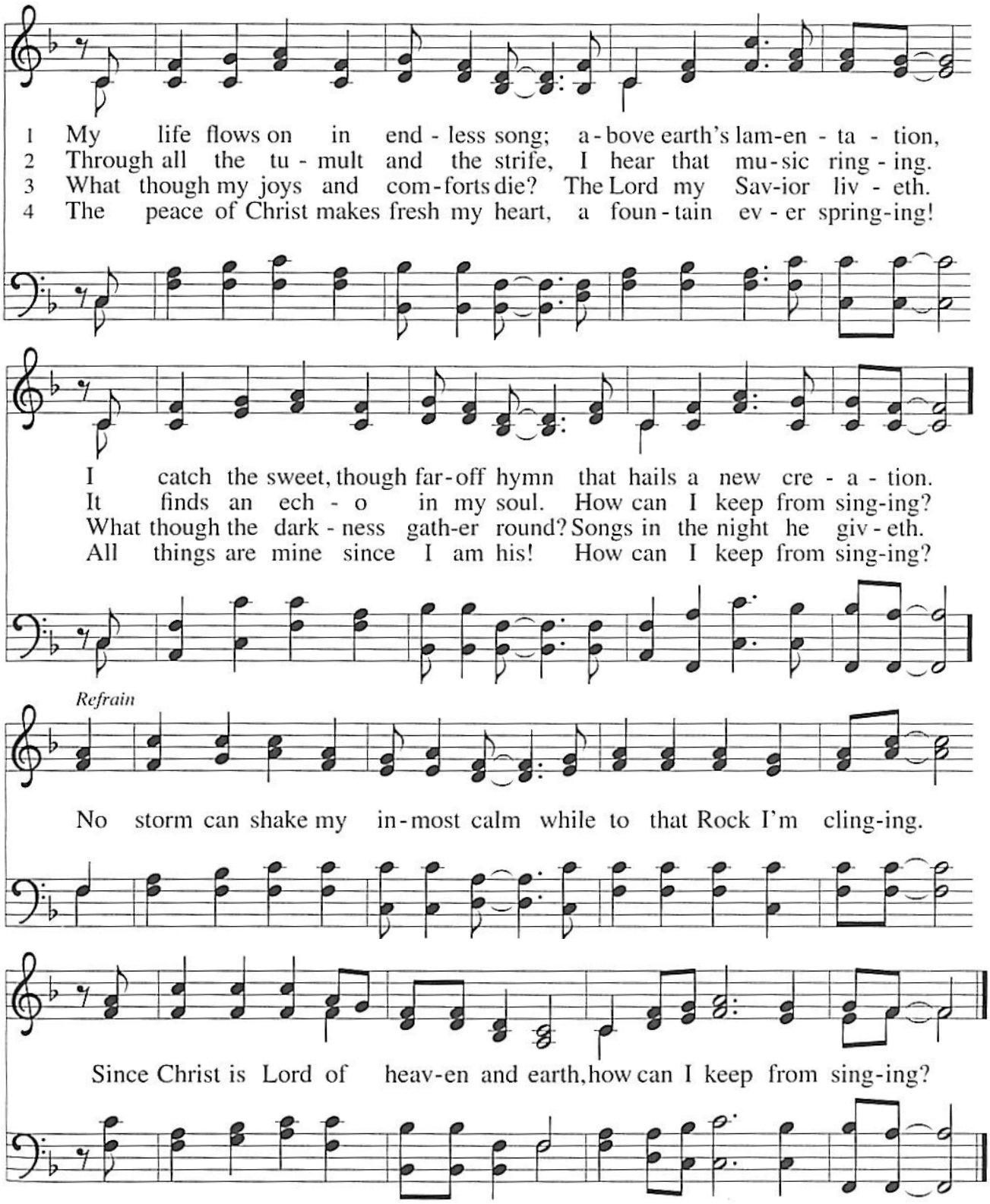
BLESSING & DISMISSAL

Celebrant The Wisdom of God
the Love of God
and the Grace of God
strengthen you
to be Christ's hands and heart in this world,
in the name of the Holy Trinity.

People **Amen.**

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God!**

RECESSIONAL HYMN *Evangelical Lutheran Worship, #763*

POSTLUDE **Rhumba** *Robert Elmore*

All are invited to the Parish Hall for coffee hour and fellowship.

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