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**7<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER EASTER  
May 12, 2024, 9AM**

## AS WE GATHER: MAKE THEM ONE AS YOU AND I ARE ONE

The Easter season finds its culmination in the high priestly prayer of Jesus. With this we are reminded that the Lord is praying for us, for our faith, and for our unity in the faith, so that we may fulfill His purpose in making known all that He has done. It should be of great comfort to us that on the night of His betrayal, our Lord does not pray for Himself but for His disciples and those who will believe through their witness. As we confront the mission of the church to be His witnesses still, He does not relent praying for us still. United in faith and living together our common life under His Word and at His Table, we are strengthened in unity and in mission.

### + PREPARATION +

## 493 A HYMN OF GLORY LET US SING

sts. 1, 4-6

1 A hymn of glo - ry let us sing! New  
4 "You see Him now, as - cend - ing high Up  
5 Be now our joy on earth, O Lord, And  
6 O ris - en Christ, as - cend - ed Lord, All  
hymns through - out the world shall ring: Al - le - lu - ia,  
to the por - tals of the sky." Al - le - lu - ia,  
be our fu - ture great re - ward. Al - le - lu - ia,  
praise to You let earth ac - cord: Al - le - lu - ia,  
al - le - lu - ia! Christ, by a road be - fore un -  
al - le - lu - ia! "Here - af - ter Je - sus you shall  
al - le - lu - ia! Then, throned with You for - ev - er,  
al - le - lu - ia! You are, while end - less a - ges  
trod, As - cends un - to the throne of  
see Re - turn - ing in great maj - es -  
we Shall praise Your name e - ter - nal -  
run, With Fa - ther and with Spir - it



God.  
ty.”  
ly.  
one.

Al - le - lu - ia,      al - le - lu - ia!      Al - le -  
Al - le - lu - ia,      al - le - lu - ia!      Al - le -  
Al - le - lu - ia,      al - le - lu - ia!      Al - le -  
Al - le - lu - ia,      al - le - lu - ia!      Al - le -



lu - ia,      al - le - lu - ia,      al - le - lu - ia!  
lu - ia,      al - le - lu - ia,      al - le - lu - ia!  
lu - ia,      al - le - lu - ia,      al - le - lu - ia!  
lu - ia,      al - le - lu - ia,      al - le - lu - ia!

## INVOCATION

**C Amen.**

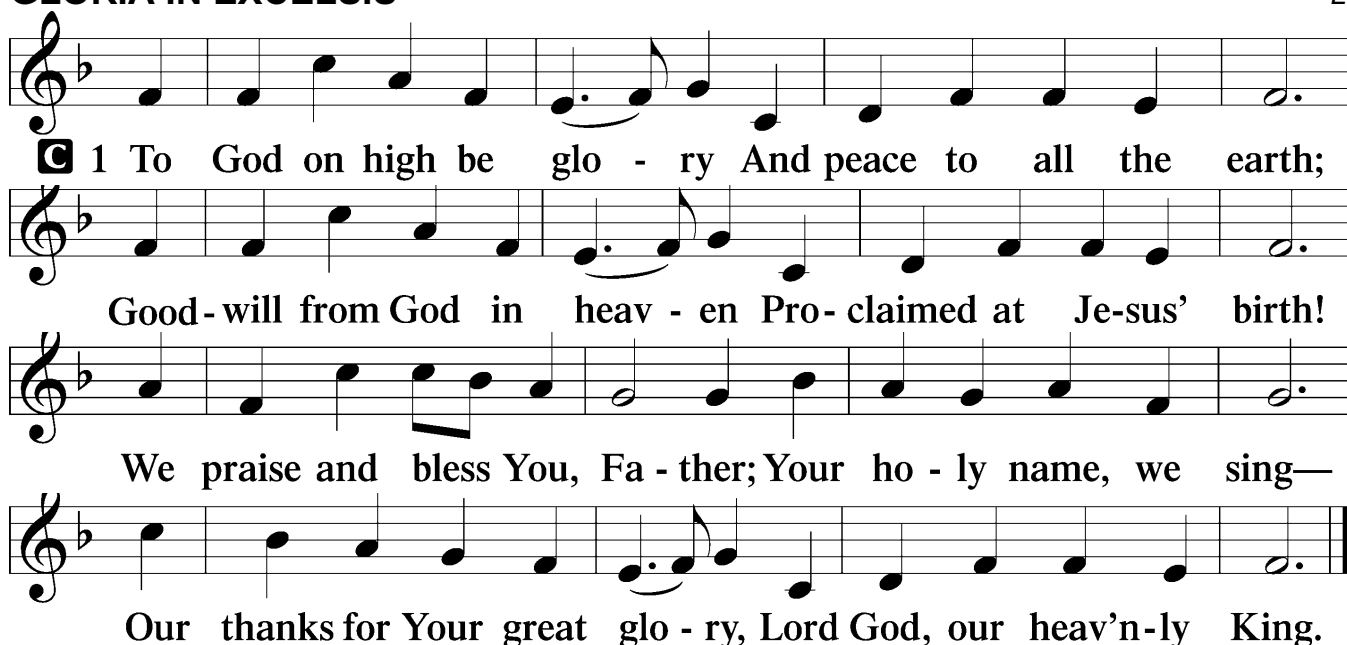
**P** Let us come before God, to whom all hearts are open and from whom no secrets are hidden and confess our sins in the name of Him who died and rose again to give us forgiveness and life.

**© I confess that I have lived as if God did not matter and as if I mattered most. My Lord's name I have not honored as I should; my worship and prayer have faltered. I have not let His love have its way with me and so my love for others has failed. There are many whom I have hurt and many whom I failed to help. My thoughts and desires are soiled with sin. I have sinned against God and against you, my brothers and sisters. There is no health in me. But for the promise of Christ, I would have no hope. Because of Christ's promise, I am made bold to ask for mercy. Forgive me, renew me, and lead me, O Lord, so that I may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

**C Amen.**

## GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

LSB 204



**C** 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;  
Good-will from God in heav - en Pro-claimed at Je-sus' birth!  
We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—  
Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

## SALUTATION

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

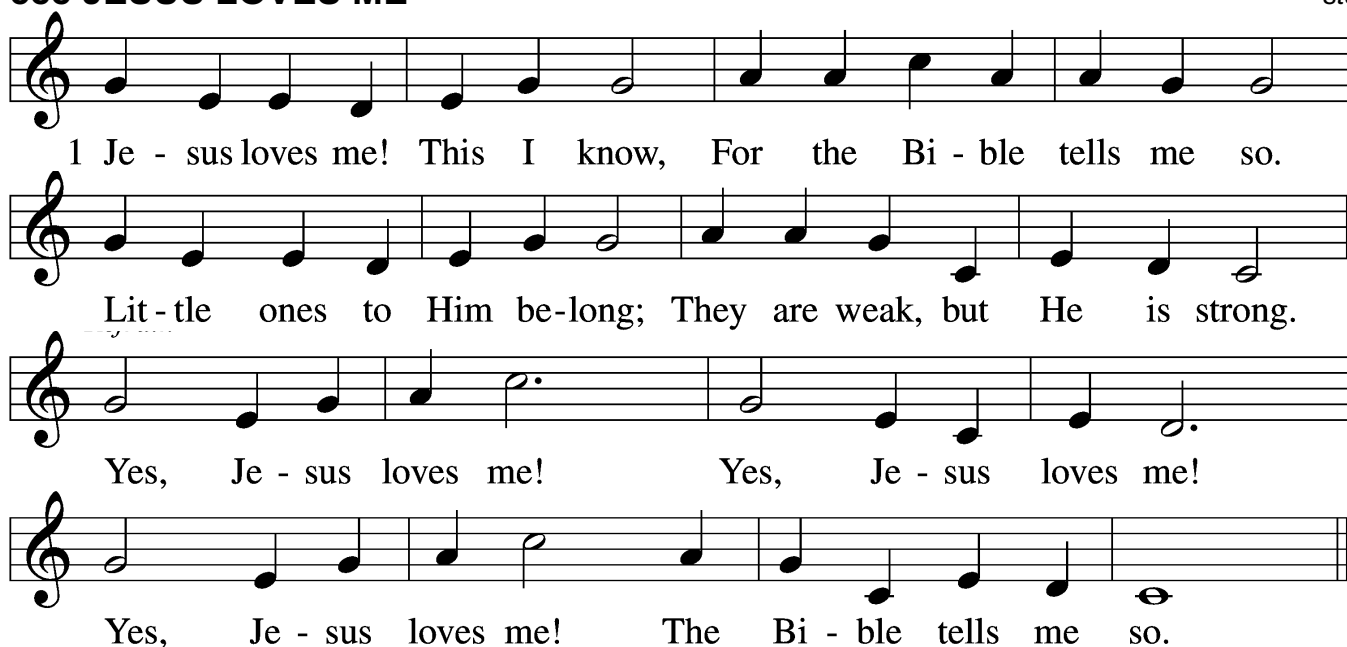
## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**L** Let us pray. O King of glory, Lord of hosts, uplifted in triumph far above all heavens, leave us not without consolation but send us the Spirit of truth whom You promised from the Father; for You live and reign with Him and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## 588 JESUS LOVES ME

sts. 1, ref



1 Je - sus loves me! This I know, For the Bi - ble tells me so.  
Lit - tle ones to Him be-long; They are weak, but He is strong.  
Yes, Je - sus loves me! Yes, Je - sus loves me!  
Yes, Je - sus loves me! The Bi - ble tells me so.

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## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

### 588 JESUS LOVES ME

sts. ref, 2

2 Je - sus loves me! He who died Heav-en's gates to o - pen wide.  
He has washed a - way my sin, Lets His lit - tle child come in.  
*Refrain*  
Yes, Je - sus loves me! Yes, Je - sus loves me!  
Yes, Je - sus loves me! The Bi - ble tells me so.

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'Jesus Loves Me'. It consists of four staves of music in G-clef, treble clef, with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is simple and suitable for children. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first line is '2 Je - sus loves me! He who died Heav-en's gates to o - pen wide.' The second line is 'He has washed a - way my sin, Lets His lit - tle child come in.' The third line is the refrain: 'Yes, Je - sus loves me! Yes, Je - sus loves me!'. The fourth line is 'Yes, Je - sus loves me! The Bi - ble tells me so.'

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## FIRST READING

Acts 1:12–26

<sup>12</sup>Then [the apostles] returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away. <sup>13</sup>And when they had entered, they went up to the upper room, where they were staying, Peter and John and James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot and Judas the son of James. <sup>14</sup>All these with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers.

<sup>15</sup>In those days Peter stood up among the brothers (the company of persons was in all about 120) and said, <sup>16</sup>“Brothers, the Scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit spoke beforehand by the mouth of David concerning Judas, who became a guide to those who arrested Jesus. <sup>17</sup>For he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry.” <sup>18</sup>(Now this man bought a field with the reward of his wickedness, and falling headlong he burst open in the middle and all his bowels gushed out. <sup>19</sup>And it became known to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that the field was called in their own language Akeldama, that is, Field of Blood.) <sup>20</sup>“For it is written in the Book of Psalms,

“May his camp become desolate, and let there be no one to dwell in it”; and “Let another take his office.”

<sup>21</sup>So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, <sup>22</sup>beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these men must become with us a witness to his resurrection.” <sup>23</sup>And they put forward two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also called Justus, and Matthias. <sup>24</sup>And they prayed and said, “You, Lord, who know the hearts of all, show which one of these two you have chosen <sup>25</sup>to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place.” <sup>26</sup>And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias, and he was numbered with the eleven apostles.

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## EPISTLE

1 John 5:9–15

<sup>9</sup>If we receive the testimony of men, the testimony of God is greater, for this is the testimony of God that he has borne concerning his Son. <sup>10</sup>Whoever believes in the Son of God has the testimony in himself. Whoever does not believe God has made him a liar, because he has not believed in the testimony that God has borne concerning his Son. <sup>11</sup>And this is the testimony, that God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. <sup>12</sup>Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

<sup>13</sup>I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God that you may know that you have eternal life. <sup>14</sup>And this is the confidence that we have toward him, that if we ask anything according to his will he hears us. <sup>15</sup>And if we know that he hears us in whatever we ask, we know that we have the requests that we have asked of him.

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## 696 O GOD, MY FAITHFUL GOD

sts. 1–4



1 O God, my faith - ful God, True foun-tain ev - er flow - ing,  
 2 Grant me the strength to do With read - y heart and will - ing  
 3 Keep me from say - ing words That lat - er need re - call - ing;  
 4 Lord, let me win my foes With kind - ly words and ac - tions,



With - out whom noth - ing is, All per - fect gifts be - stow - ing:  
 What - ev - er You com-mand, My call - ing here ful - fill - ing;  
 Guard me lest i - dle speech May from my lips be fall - ing;  
 And let me find good friends For coun-sel and cor - rec - tion.



Give me a health - y frame, And may I have with - in  
That I do what I should While trust - ing You to bless  
But when with - in my place I must and ought to speak,  
Help me, as You have taught, To love both great and small



A con-science free from blame, A soul un - stained by sin.  
The out - come for my good, For You must give suc - cess.  
Then to my words give grace Lest I of - fend the weak.  
And by Your Spir - it's might To live in peace with all.

Text: Johann Heermann, 1585–1647; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, alt.  
Tune: Neu-vermehrtes . . . Gesangbuch, 1693, 3rd ed., Meiningen  
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## HOLY GOSPEL

*John 17:11b–19*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the seventeenth chapter.

**G** Glory to You, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] “Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one. <sup>12</sup>While I was with them, I kept them in your name, which you have given me. I have guarded them, and not one of them has been lost except the son of destruction, that the Scripture might be fulfilled. <sup>13</sup>But now I am coming to you, and these things I speak in the world, that they may have my joy fulfilled in themselves. <sup>14</sup>I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. <sup>15</sup>I do not ask that you take them out of the world, but that you keep them from the evil one. <sup>16</sup>They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. <sup>17</sup>Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. <sup>18</sup>As you sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. <sup>19</sup>And for their sake I consecrate myself, that they also may be sanctified in truth.”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**G** Praise to You, O Christ.

## MUSICAL MEDITATION

*Cesar Blas*

## SERMON

## APOSTLES' CREED

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

And 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.

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. Amen.

## OFFERING & VIDEO

*(At this time, please fill out the attendance sheet in the colored bulletin and place in the offering plate. Also at this time, on the back of the attendance slip, please refresh your thoughts or read what we believe, as you prepare to come to receive the Lord's Body & Blood or as you come forward to receive a blessing.)*

## 781 WE GIVE THEE BUT THINE OWN

sts. 1–2, 6



1 We give Thee but Thine own, What - e'er the gift may be;  
2 May we Thy boun - ties thus As stew - ards true re - ceive  
6 And we be - lieve Thy Word, Though dim our faith may be:



All that we have is Thine a - lone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee.  
And glad - ly, as Thou bless - est us, To Thee our first-fruits give!  
What-e'er for Thine we do, O Lord, We do it un - to Thee.

Text: William W. How, 1823–97Tune: William H. Monk, 1823–89Text and tune: Public domain

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

**I**n Your great mercy, O Lord, You have accomplished all things for our salvation and bore upon Your Son the cost of our redemption. Deliver us from doubt and fear that we may know with courage the Gospel of Christ crucified and risen and be made bold to confess this truth before the world.

Lord, in Your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**



**L** In Your mercy You sustained Your church in the time of waiting for the promise of the Spirit to be fulfilled. Sustain us in our wait for the completion of all that Christ began by His death and resurrection that we not grow weary of trusting You nor betray the hope You planted in us in our Baptism.

Lord, in Your mercy,

**C**hear our prayer.

**L** Guide Your church, O Lord, that we be united in faith and proclaim with one voice Him whose death, resurrection, and ascension have delivered us from sin and its death. Make us of one mind and one heart that we serve our neighbor with joy to the glory of Your holy name. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C**hear our prayer.

**L** Today especially, O Lord, on this Mothers' Day we bring our mothers before You. First, to thank you for the blessing that they are in our lives as they have nurtured us in the wisdom and admonition of the scriptures, and for their love, prayers and care for us throughout our lives. Bless them and encourage them to remain faithful in the Word and to grow closer to You each day. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C**hear our prayer.

**L** Deliver us from war and violence, and bless us with good and honest leaders who will hear the voice of Your Word and act on our behalf that we may live holy, upright, and godly lives in this place. Bless those who protect us here and throughout the world. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C**hear our prayer.

**L** In the midst of temptation, make us strong, and in the midst of trials help us endure with patience and conviction the days of trouble. Bless especially those who suffer illness or infirmity, grief, or pain.

Lord, in Your mercy,

**C**hear our prayer.

**L** Keep Your church and the work of the Kingdom ever before us that we may daily pray to the Father even as our Lord continues to intercede on our behalf. Uplift us in hope that what we pray for we may be willing to work toward, until that day when all our enemies and trials shall end and we shall be united with the saints who went before us, once and forevermore.

Lord, in Your mercy,

**C**hear our prayer.

**L** Prepare our hearts, O Lord, that we may approach Your altar with repentance and the confession of Your body and blood and here receive to our blessing the very body and blood of Christ, our Lord.

Lord, in Your mercy,

**C**hear our prayer.

**L** All these things and whatever else You know that we need we pray You to grant us for the sake of and in the name of Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

### + SACRAMENT +

#### 632 O Jesus, Blessed Lord, to Thee

1 O Je - sus, bless - ed Lord, to Thee My heart - felt  
2 Break forth, my soul, for joy and say: What wealth is  
thanks for - ev - er be, Who hast so lov - ing -  
come to me this day! My Sav - ior dwells with -  
ly be - stowed On me Thy bod - y and Thy blood.  
in my heart: How blessed am I! How good Thou art!

Text: Thomas Hansen Kingo, 1634–1703; tr. Arthur J. Mason, 1851–1928

Tune: Trente quatre Pseaumes de David, 1551, Geneva, ed. Louis Bourgeois. Text and tune: Public domain

#### 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.

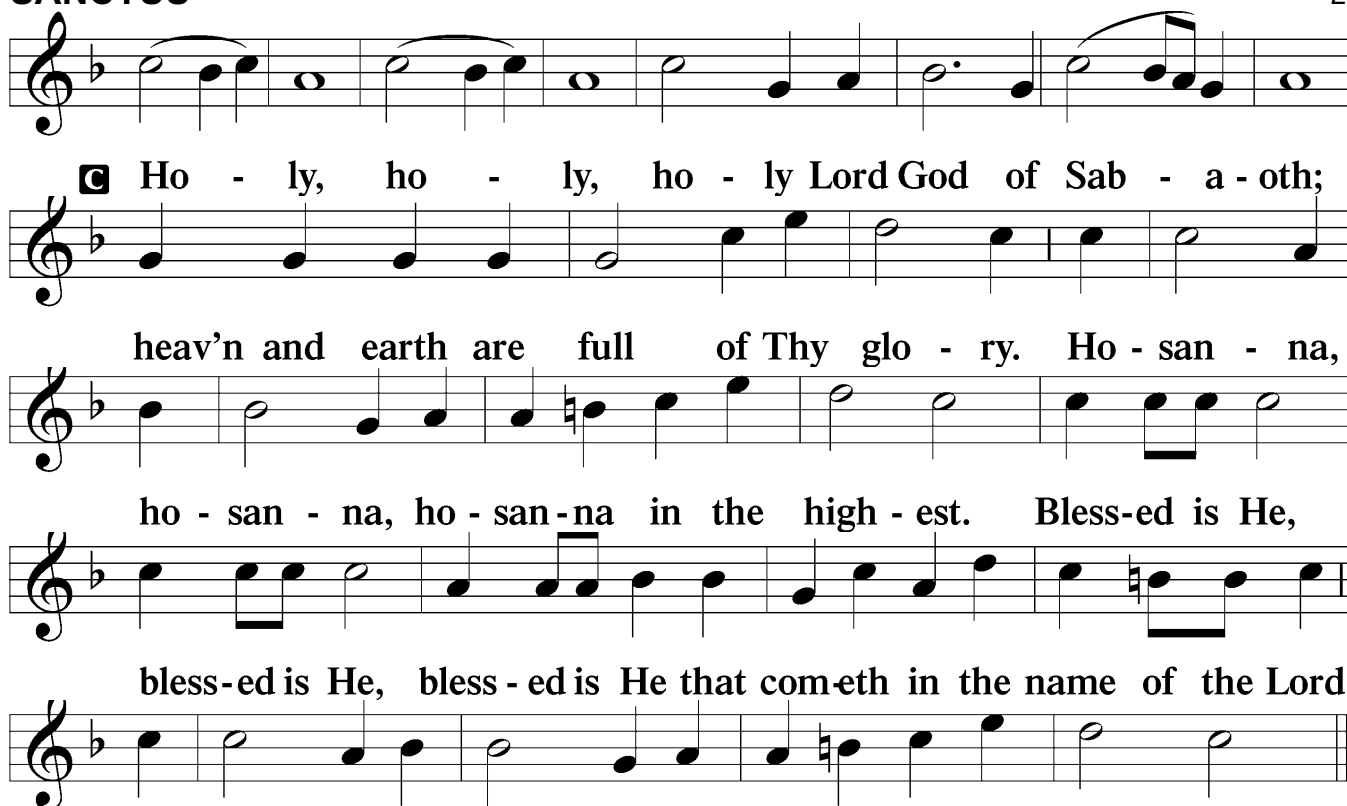
**C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

#### PROPER PREFACE

**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

## SANCTUS

LSB 195



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;  
heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,  
ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is He,  
bless-ed is He, bless - ed is He that com-eth in the name of the Lord.

Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

**P** Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

### PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

**P** As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

**C** Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

**P**O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

### LORD'S PRAYER

**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.

### PAX DOMINI

**P**The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C**Amen.

### AGNUS DEI

LSB 198

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

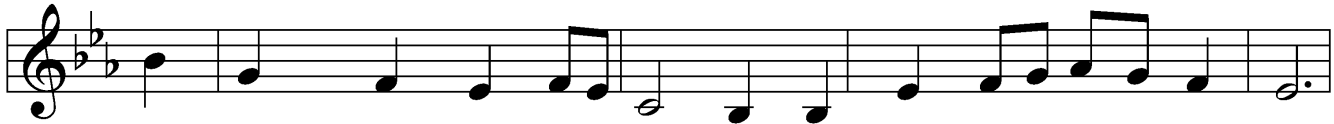
+ DISTRIBUTION HYMNS +

# 855 FOR ALL THE FAITHFUL WOMEN

sts. 1-4



1 For all the faith-ful wom - en Who served in days of old,  
 2 For Eu - nice and for Lo - is We sing our thanks and praise.  
 3 O God, for saints and ser - vants, Those named and those un - known  
 4 All praise to God the Fa - ther! All praise to Christ the Son!



To You shall thanks be giv - en; To all, their sto - ry told.  
 Young Tim - o - thy they nur - tured And led him in Your ways.  
 In whom through all the a - ges Your light of glo - ry shone,  
 All praise the Ho - ly Spir - it, Who binds the Church in one!



They served with strength and glad - ness In tasks Your wis - dom gave.  
 Raise up in ev - 'ry house - hold True teach - ers of Your Word  
 We of - fer glad thanks - giv - ing And fer - vent prayer we raise  
 With saints who went be - fore us, With saints who wit - ness still,



To You their lives bore wit - ness, Pro - claimed Your pow'r to save.  
 Whose lives will bear clear wit - ness To Christ, our ris - en Lord.  
 That, faith - ful in Your ser - vice, Our lives may sing Your praise.  
 We sing glad Al - le - lu - ias And strive to do Your will.

## FIRM FOUNDATION (He Won't)

Cody Carnes

Christ is my firm foundation, The Rock on which I stand.  
 When everything around me is shaking, I've never been more glad  
 That I put my faith in Jesus. 'Cause He's never let me down.  
 He's faithful through generations. So why would He fail now?

He won't!  
 He won't!

I've still got joy in chaos. I've got peace that makes no sense.  
 So I won't be going under. I'm not held by my own strength.  
 'Cause I've built my life on Jesus. He's never let me down.  
 He's faithful in every season. So why would He fail now?

He won't!  
He won't!  
He won't fail!  
He won't fail!

Rain came, wind blew, My house was built on You.  
I'm safe with You. I'm going to make it through.  
Oh, Rain came, wind blew, My house was built on You.  
And I'm safe with You. I'm going to make it through.

Yeah, I'm going to make it through  
'Cause my house is built on You

Christ is my firm foundation, The Rock on which I stand.  
When everything around me is shaking, I've never been more glad  
That I put my faith in Jesus. 'Cause He's never let me down.  
He's faithful through generations. So why would He fail now?

He won't!  
He won't!  
He won't fail!  
He won't fail!  
He won't.

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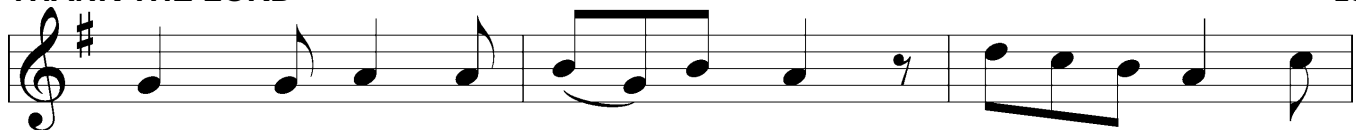
## THE DISMISSAL

**P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart **+** in peace.

**C** Amen.

## THANK THE LORD

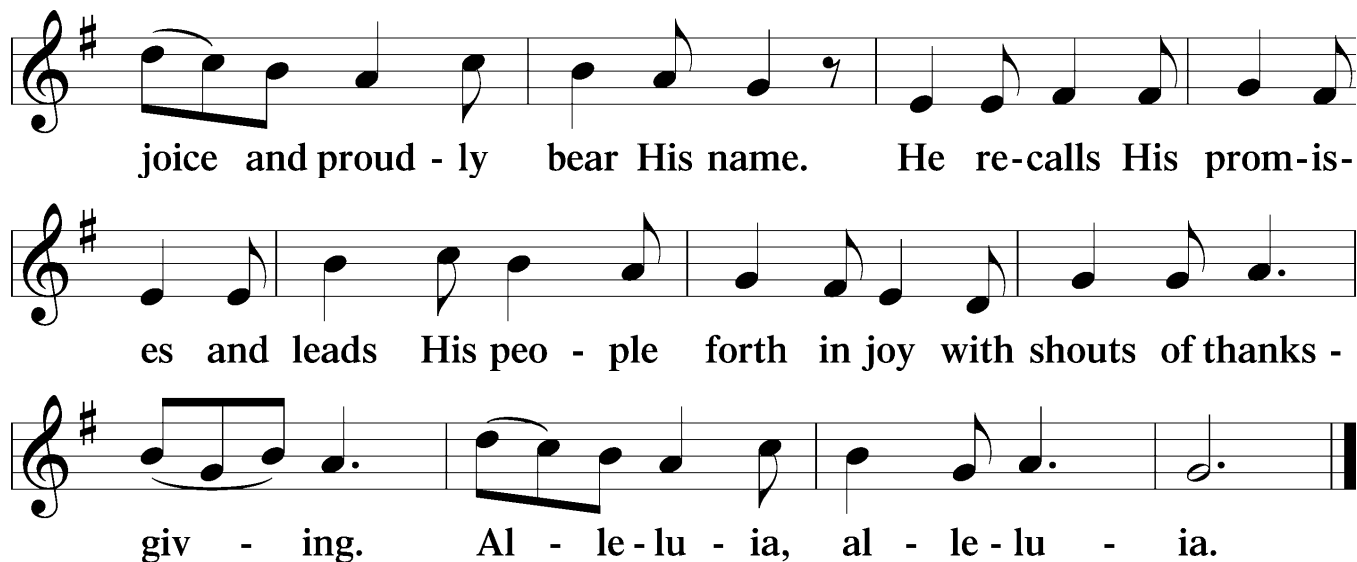
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**C** Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev - 'ry-one what



He has done. Let ev - 'ry-one who seeks the Lord re -



## BENEDICTION

**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.



## 701 DRAW US TO THEE



1 Draw us to Thee, For then shall we Walk in Thy  
 2 Draw us to Thee, Lord, lov - ing - ly; Let us de -  
 3 Draw us to Thee; O grant that we May walk the  
 4 Draw us to Thee That al - so we Thy heav'n - ly  
 5 Draw us to Thee Un - ceas - ing - ly, In - to Thy



steps for - ev - er And has - ten on Where Thou art  
 part with glad - ness That we may be For - ev - er  
 road to heav - en! Di - rect our way Lest we should  
 bliss in - her - it And ev - er dwell Where sin and  
 king - dom take us; Let us for - e'er Thy glo - ry



gone To be with Thee, dear Sav - ior.  
 free From sor - row, grief, and sad - ness.  
 stray And from Thy paths be driv - en.  
 hell No more can vex our spir - it.  
 share, Thy saints and joint heirs make us.

Text: Friedrich Funcke, 1642–99; tr. August Crull, 1845–1923, alt.  
 Tune: As hymnodus sacer, 1625, Leipzig. Text and tune: Public domain

## CLOSING PEACE

**P** Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**C** He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

**P** Go in peace as you serve the Lord. **C** Thanks be to God.

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