

+ THE TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST +
August 15, Year of our Lord 2021 | DS3

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

Invocation

Matt. 28:19-20

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.



P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth.

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

Confession of Sins

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

Absolution

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

SERVICE OF THE WORD

Introit

Psalm 111:1–5, 9; Psalm 34:9; antiphon: v. 10



P The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; all those who practice it have a good under- | standing.*

His praise endures for- | ever!

Praise the LORD! I will give thanks to the LORD with my | whole heart,*
in the company of the upright, in the congre- | gation.

C Great are the works | of the LORD,*
studied by all who de- | light in them.
Full of splendor and majesty | is his work,*
and his righteousness endures for- | ever.

P He has caused his wondrous works to be re- | membered;*
the LORD is gracious and | merciful.
He provides food for those who | fear him;*
he remembers his covenant for- | ever.

C He sent redemption to his people; he has commanded his covenant for- | ever.*
Holy and awesome | is his name!
Fear the LORD, | you his saints,
for those who fear him lack | nothing!

C Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

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Kyrie

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

The image shows a musical score for the Kyrie. It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is one flat (B-flat). The first system contains the lyrics: "Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -". The second system contains the lyrics: "on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us." The piano accompaniment consists of chords and single notes, providing a harmonic background for the vocal line.

Gloria in Excelsis

P (sung) Glory be to God on high:

C and on earth peace, goodwill toward men.

We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee,
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.

O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.

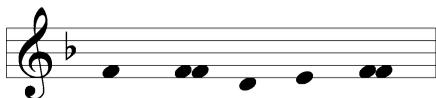
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord.

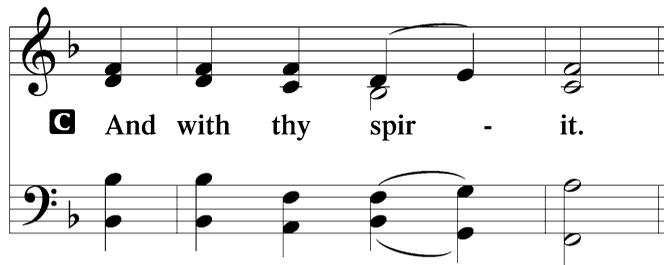
Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,

art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

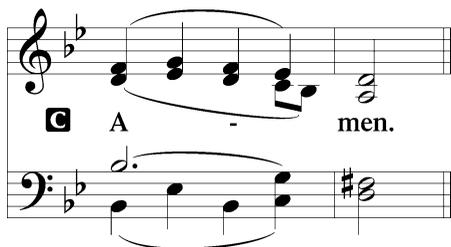


P The Lord be with you.



C And with thy spirit.

P Let us pray: Almighty God, whom to know is everlasting life, grant us to know Your Son, Jesus, to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow His steps in the way that leads to life eternal; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C A - men.

Old Testament Reading

Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-18

Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel. And they presented themselves before God. And Joshua said to all the people, . . .

“Now therefore fear the LORD and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness. Put away the gods that your fathers served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the LORD. And if it is evil in your eyes to serve the LORD, choose this day whom

you will serve, whether the gods your fathers served in the region beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you dwell. But as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD.”

Then the people answered, “Far be it from us that we should forsake the LORD to serve other gods, for it is the LORD our God who brought us and our fathers up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight and preserved us in all the

way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed. And the LORD drove out before us all the

peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve the LORD, for he is our God."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Psalm 34:9, 19, alt.

C Fear the LORD, you his saints,
for those who fear him lack nothing!
Many are the afflictions of the righteous,
but the LORD delivers him out of them all.

Epistle

Ephesians 5:6-21

Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience. Therefore do not associate with them; for at one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light (for the fruit of light is found in all that is good and right and true), and try to discern what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is shameful even to speak of the things that they do in secret. But when anything is exposed by the light, it becomes visible, for anything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says,

"Awake, O sleeper,
and arise from the dead,
and Christ will shine on you."

Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, making the best use of the time, because the days are evil. Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit, addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with all your heart, giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, submitting to one another out of reverence for Christ.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Verse

John 6:68

P Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

Triple Alleluia

Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

The musical score for the Triple Alleluia is written on two staves, treble and bass clef, in a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is simple and repetitive, consisting of three phrases of "Al - le - lu - ia." The lyrics are written below the treble staff.

Holy Gospel

John 6:51-69

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

Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

The musical score for the Holy Gospel is written on two staves, treble and bass clef, in a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is simple and consists of a single phrase: "Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord." The lyrics are written below the treble staff.

[Jesus said:] "I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. And the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" So Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day. For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood



abides in me, and I in him. As the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever feeds on me, he also will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not as the fathers ate and died. Whoever feeds on this bread will live forever."

Jesus said these things in the synagogue, as he taught at Capernaum.

When many of his disciples heard it, they said, "This is a hard saying; who can listen to it?" But Jesus, knowing in himself that his disciples were

grumbling about this, said to them, "Do you take offense at this? Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? It is the Spirit who

gives life; the flesh is of no avail. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. But there are some of you who do not believe." (For Jesus knew from the beginning who those were who did not believe, and who it was who would betray him.) And he said, "This is why I told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted him by the Father."

After this many of his disciples turned back and no longer walked with him. So Jesus said to the Twelve, "Do you want to go away as well?" Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life, and we have believed, and have come to know, that you are the Holy One of God."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

C I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life \dagger of the world to come. Amen.

Hymn of the Day: 813 Rejoice, O Pilgrim Throng



1 Re - joice, O pil - grim throng! Re - joice, give
 2 With voice as full and strong As o - cean's
 3 With all the an - gel choirs, With all the
 4 Yet on and on - ward still, With hymn and



thanks, and sing; Your fes - tal ban - ner
 surg - ing praise, Send forth the stur - dy
 saints on earth Pour out the strains of
 chant and song, Through gate and porch and



wave on high, The cross of Christ your king.
 hymns of old, The psalms of an - cient days.
 joy and bliss, True rap - ture, no - blest mirth.
 col - umned aisle The hal - lowed path - ways throng.

Refrain



Re - joice! Re - joice! Re - joice, give thanks, and sing!

- 5 Still lift your standard high, Still The pilgrims find their home at last,
 march in firm array, As pilgrims Jerusalem the blest. *Refrain*
 through the darkness wend
 Till dawns the golden day. *Refrain*
- △ 7 Praise Him who reigns on high,
 The Lord whom we adore:
 The Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
 One God forevermore. *Refrain*
- 6 At last the march shall end;
 The wearied ones shall rest;

+ Sermon +

Offertory: 🎵 (sung) Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy

Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

Announcement of Offering and Greeting of Peace

The people may greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "Peace be with you," as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Matt. 5:22-24; Eph. 4:1-3).

PRAYERS TO GOD ON BEHALF OF . . .

Church: For growth in God's Word this season of **Pentecost**. For our soon to be **new members** and soon to be confirmand: **Blair Johnson**.

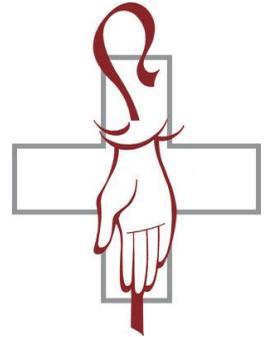
World: For **Kenya** due to Covid-19 and Pastor Jasper's congregations and members. For those whose callings are to lead, govern, and protect.

Recently Baptized: **Liam Hendricks** born 5/20, baptized 7/25

Newlyweds: **Eugene and Vicky Gorman** recently married and moved to Maryville.

Mourning: Family of **Rev. Joel Krogen** who passed away 7/26. Family of **Shirley Wilson** (Fred & Faye Hanen's sister in law).

Health: **Catherine Boute** who is recovering from a fall and wrist surgery. **Edward** (Larry Bembas's son, recovering from stroke and brain bleed). **Axel Lucht**, grandson of Babara and Joel Morsch, renal ultrasound and potential surgery on Aug 10. **KP Blizzard** (newborn great grandson of Sandy Bagley) paralyzed vocal cord which allows his food to go into his lungs. **Denyse Kenney** (friend of Jim Vesper) whose parents are struggling with significant traumatic health problems. **Kim Smolter's nieces** who have been in Nicu (premature birth) and starting to come home. **Bob Heckman** (recovering from throat surgery). **Janeen Meier** (Maureen's sister) health. **Cathy Wacker's parents** (health and daily protection from falls). For **Hamed** (Mary Ellen Brown's friend in FL) back fractures recovery. **Anna Roberts** (Jim & Maureen's daughter-in-law—married to Travis) breast cancer treatments. **Erica** (Auroa's granddaughter), severe kidney problems. **Carolyn Gaugert** (sister in law to Sharon Yoder) pancreatic cancer. **Mary Ellen Brown** back surgery recovery. **Larry Wacker** health and improvement in oxygen levels; **Dick Mohr** oxygen levels; **Phyllis Bembas** recovery of health, strength, and function; **Carol Barnett**



completed lymphoma and multiple myeloma treatments; **Jim Vespers's parents; Pr. Hass** in Belle Vista, AR (cancer treatments).

Birthdays ... Carol E 8/17, Sabrina 8/22, Tim S 8/23, Bob McD 8/24, Donna C 8/25, Chris B 8/26, Susan H 8/26, Gretchen R 8/28, Gracie S 8/30, Calvin H 8/31

Anniversaries ...Alex & Shelby H 8/18, Larry & Jean R 8/20, Derek & Gretchen 8/26, Al & Sharon F 8/28

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.

Benediction for those worshipping via the livestream

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

Preface

- P** (sung) The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spir - it.

- P** Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them up un - to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

C It is meet and right so to do.

Proper Preface (Full)

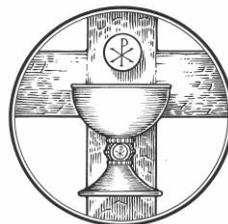
P It is truly meet, right, and ... praising You and saying:

Sanctus

C Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth;
 heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory.
 Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
 Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.
 Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

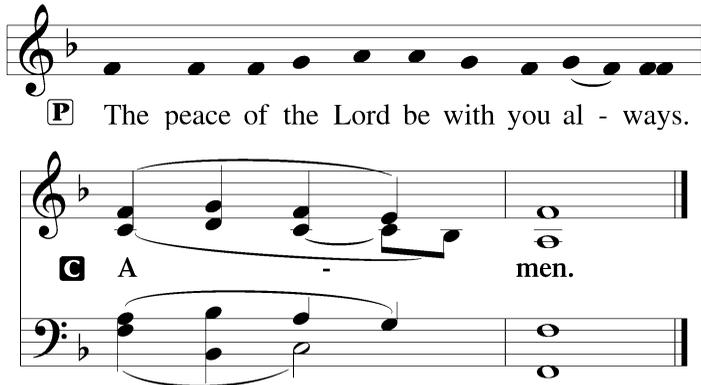
The Words of Our Lord

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 musical notation for Pax Domini consists of three staves. The first staff is a single treble clef line with a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a common time signature. It contains a single melodic line of eighth notes: G4, A4, Bb4, C5, Bb4, A4, G4, F4, E4, D4. The second and third staves are a grand staff (treble and bass clefs) with a key signature of one flat and a common time signature. The second staff begins with a square 'C' time signature. It contains a vocal line with a long note on A4, followed by a descending line of notes: G4, F4, E4, D4, C4. The third staff contains a bass line with a long note on G3, followed by a descending line of notes: F3, E3, D3, C3.

P The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.

C A - men.

Agnus Dei

- C** (sung) O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen

Distribution



Please see our pastor for details about baptism, instruction, and vow of confirmation of our church's teachings prior to taking the Lord's Supper (Communion) at Praise.

The Dismissal

- P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart \mp in peace. **C** Amen.

Distribution Hymn: 642 O Living Bread from Heaven (see hymnal)

Distribution Hymn: 803 Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee (see hymnal)

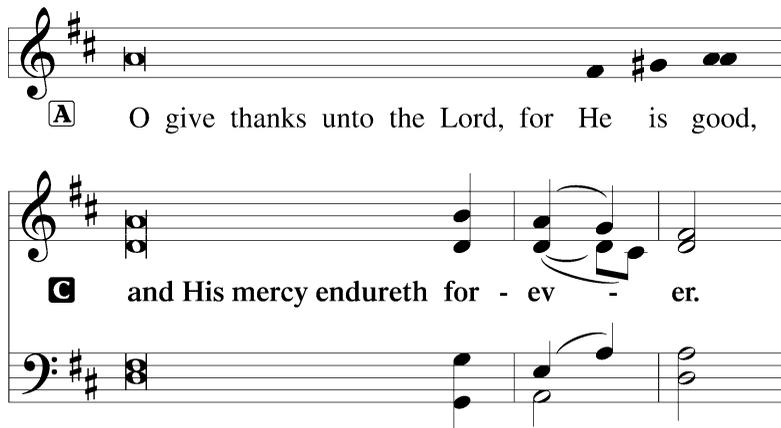
Distribution Hymn: 794 The Lord, My God, Be Praised (see hymnal)

Distribution Hymn: 818 In Thee Is Gladness (see hymnal)

Nunc Dimittis

- C** (sung) Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people, a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Thanksgiving



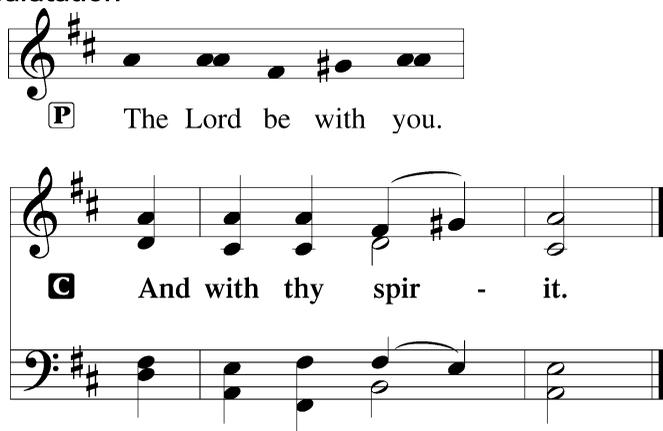
Musical notation for the Thanksgiving hymn. It consists of three staves: a single treble clef staff at the top, and a grand staff (treble and bass clefs) below. The key signature is two sharps (F# and C#). The first staff contains a single note (F#) followed by a whole rest, then a half note (C#), and a whole note (F#). Below this staff is the text: **A** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good, and His mercy endureth for - ev - er. The grand staff below contains a bass line with a whole note (F#), a half note (C#), and a whole note (F#). The vocal line in the treble clef of the grand staff contains a whole note (F#), a half note (C#), and a whole note (F#).

A O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,
C and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

Post-Communion Collect

- A** Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** (sung) Amen.

Salutation



Musical notation for the Salutation hymn. It consists of three staves: a single treble clef staff at the top, and a grand staff (treble and bass clefs) below. The key signature is two sharps (F# and C#). The first staff contains a whole note (F#), a whole note (C#), a whole note (F#), and a whole note (C#). Below this staff is the text: **P** The Lord be with you. The grand staff below contains a bass line with a whole note (F#), a half note (C#), and a whole note (F#). The vocal line in the treble clef of the grand staff contains a whole note (F#), a half note (C#), and a whole note (F#).

P The Lord be with you.
C And with thy spir - it.

Benedicamus



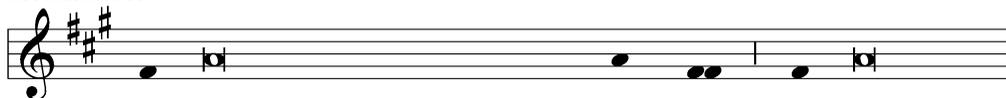
A Bless we the Lord.



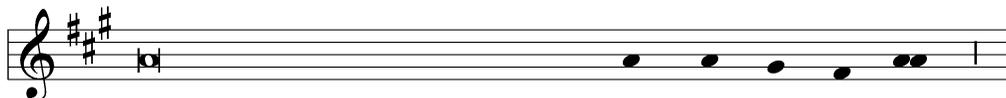
C Thanks be to God.



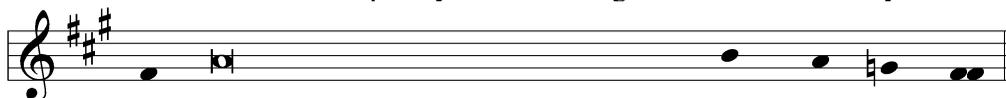
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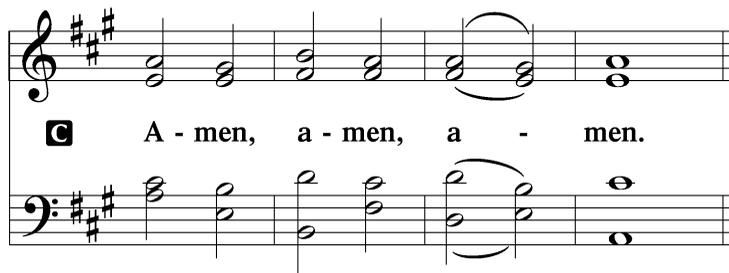
P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make



His face shine upon you and be gra - cious un - to you.



The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.





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Announcements

Planning Council meets after church today. **Elders** meets this Thursday at 7:00 p.m.

Friends of the Congregation: An inform luncheon on Tues, Aug 17 at 12:00 noon will be held at Praise. The goal is inform our friends and neighbors about our vision and plans. If you know someone who may be interested in attending this lunch (or if you missed the ice cream social and would like to come yourself), please let Pastor Roberts know.

New Members and Rite of Confirmation of Blair Johnson will be NEXT SUNDAY, Aug 22. Pastor Phil Robarge, our LCEF Consultant, will be visiting and preaching that day. *A potluck reception in part to celebrate our new members will be on Sept 5.*

Parents of Youth Catechesis: inviting now your input on scheduling for Youth Catechesis that will start in September (after Labor Day weekend). In the past, we've met every other Sunday after church. Would that work best for you? Let Pastor Roberts know.

Return of the Jedi Choir: first rehearsal/organizational meeting: Wed, Sept 8 at 5:30 p.m.

Sunday School begins Sun, Sept 12. Those who have volunteered to be teachers, let's meet soon to discuss curriculum and anything else needed for your classroom. The plan is to meet in the Social Hall during Congregational Bible Study in the Nave/Sanctuary.

Men's Lunch (weekly): Thurs. at 11:30 a.m.

Ladies Bible Study continues this week. Thursday at 10 a.m. at Praise.

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