# THE 23<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

November 13th, 2022



# CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

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A recording of Sunday's service will be uploaded to YouTube at: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCpING TKTI9c OIBbMqGwLw

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<u>Prayer</u>: Almighty God, we pray, show Your humble servants Your mercy that we, who put no trust in our own merits, may be dealt with not according to the severity of Your judgment but according to Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

**OUR DEEPEST CONDOLENCES** to Mary Silver, family and friends on the passing of our dear Rev. Frank Silver this past Monday. May God comfort them with His love and compassion at this difficult time. Funeral services were held Friday morning at 11 a.m.

### **DAILY SCRIPTURE MEDITATIONS:**

Monday: Matt. 7: 1-5 Wednesday: Matt. 6: 9-15 Friday: 1 Cor. 5: 9-13 Tuesday: Luke 17: 1-4 Thursday: 1 John 3: 18-22 Saturday: 11 Pet. 3: 13-18

Musicians: 10 a.m. – The Band Reader: 10 a.m. – Daniel Figuroa Greeters: 10 a.m. – Ralph & Mary Muller

### **EVENTS THIS WEEK:**

Today: 9:00 a.m. – Sunday School

9:10—9:45 a.m. - Confirmation Class

10:00 a.m. – Worship

Monday: 10:00 a.m. – Luther Manor Bible Study

7:30 p.m. - Choir

Tuesday: 9:30—11:00 a.m. – Precious Moments

7:00 p.m. – Mary Martha (Warm Feet for the Streets)

Thursday: 10:00 – 11:30 a.m. – SOUL

7:00 p.m. – Women's Bible Study (see note below)

Next Sunday: 4:30 p.m. – Tree Trimming (Dinner to follow)

<u>SUNDAY SCHOOL</u>: 9:00 a.m. (before service) the **first 2 Sundays of each month**. Our focus this year is on "*God's Good Rules, His 10 Commandments*". Parents are welcome to stay for a coffee and time to read their own devotions or join in Christian conversation.

**PRECIOUS MOMENTS**: We are thrilled to have our Precious Moments up and running again. If YOU or a "mom or caregiver" you know has little ones (even babies), we invite them to join us. We meet at the church on Tuesday mornings between 9:30 - 11 a.m. The coffee and tea are always on (thanks to Judy!) and lots of playing, singing, reading a story, snack and craft. Hope to see you!

<u>WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY</u>: We have just started to Study the Book of Romans on Right Now Media with JD Greear. Feel free to join us, **this Thursday, November 17th at 7:00 p.m.** at the Kuenzel's (2 Eva). Just a reminder to bring your Bibles. For more information please speak with Louise (905-329-8579).

<u>GRACE LUTHERAN CHRISTMASFEST BAZAAR</u>, 213 Linwell Road, **Saturday, November 19<sup>th</sup>, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.** Baked goods, preserves, attic treasures, crafts, pre-loved jewellery, purses, scarves, Silent Auction, Tea Room and more

COMMUNION NOTE: November 20th will also be a Communion Sunday since our usual 4th Sunday this year is Advent 1 which has traditionally been the anticipated Chrismon Service. Any questions speak with Pastor Todd.

<u>VOTER'S MEETING</u>: There will be a "Voters Meeting" on Sunday, November 20<sup>th</sup> immediately following the Worship Service. There will be updates from the Committee Chairs and a discussion on staying with one service or moving back to two services in January. A review was a condition of the approval back in May, to stay at one service until the end of 2022. Everyone is welcome to attend.



Come join us for

# TREE TRIMMING

and

### DECORATING the CHURCH

Sunday, November 20<sup>th</sup> @ 4:30 p.m. Dinner of pulled pork sandwiches to follow!!

Please sign up for attendance in the narthex and for help with the side dishes or email: secretary@christlutheransc.ca

### LMWL-C/MARY MARTHA:

This is such an exciting time to welcome back and extend an invitation to everyone for our new Fall/Winter program. Please mark your calendars so that you may be able to join us:

Tuesday, November 15th - 7 p.m. Assembly of Warm Feet for the Streets sock blessings.

Saturday, November 26<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 am – 2:00 pm - CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Tuesday, December 20th - 5:30 p.m. Advent/Christmas Dinner

We look forward to seeing familiar faces at our meetings and welcoming new faces! If you have any questions or suggestions, please feel free to call Lorraine at 905 964 5837!

<sup>14</sup> And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. <sup>15</sup> And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful. <sup>16</sup> Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. Colossians 3: 14-16

### **BAZAAR DONATIONS:**

Please consider making donations to the Bake, Deli, or Craft Tables or Judy's Silent Auction. As in previous years, donations may be brought in on Friday, Nov. 25, 9:00 am - 8 p.m. You may price your own, or we will price it on the Friday after it's brought in, your choice. Thank you in advance.

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### SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2022

9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Come...and invite your Friends!

## Help support various Mission Projects around the world and at home!

- Canadian Lutheran World Relief
- Haiti Lutheran Mission Society
- Nicaragua
- Lutheran Bible Translators

### FEATURING:

- · Baking
- Deli
- Crafts

- Lutheran Medical Missions
- SOUL Ministries
- Refugee Assistance Fund
- Out of the Cold
- Nearly New Table
- Silent Auction
- Hot Lunch (Dine-in and Take-out)



## **LWML-C / MARY MARTHA PROJECT**

### "Warm Feet for the Street" Kits for "Out of the Cold"

Place in the box in the Narthex from now until November 13th. We will make up the Kits at our November 15th meeting.

We would appreciate your help by contributing any of the following:

- LARGE SOCKS
- Warm gloves (adult size)
- Hand-warmers
- Scarves
- Toothpaste & Toothbrushes
- Lip Balm
- Hand & Body Lotion
- Deodorant

- Shampoo (travel size)
- Kleenex (little pkgs.)
- Bandaids
- Combs (pocket size)
- Small Soaps
- Portals of Prayer (or similar, from any month or year)
- UNDERWEAR (new)

### Remember that everything needs to be small enough to fit into the socks!!!

If you would like to help, but prefer for us to do the shopping, a donation of money would be terrific too.

**Contact Person: Wendy Hyatt** 

<u>CHRISMON SERVICE</u> – Sunday, November 27<sup>th</sup>: Please sign your name for the emblem you would like to place on the Chrismon Tree during the November 27<sup>th</sup> Chrismon Service.

<u>CHRISTMAS CAROL SING</u> - Saturday, December 3rd, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. Bring along your singing voice, family and friends and enjoy an evening of carol singing (and perhaps a few hymns) as we move into Advent and prepare to celebrate the birth of our Lord. Refreshments to follow. More details will be provided.

<u>CHRISTMAS NATIVITY SETS:</u> We ask that members bring in their nativity sets for display on December 4<sup>th</sup>. We would ask that they be left at the church and clearly marked with your name by Friday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>.

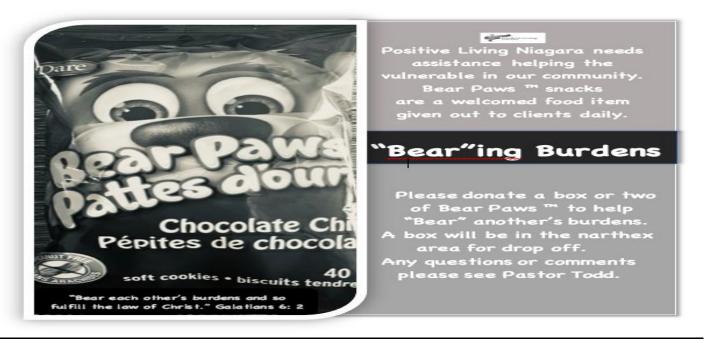
Last Sunday Attendance: N		November 6th, 2022	Attn: 10 a.m. – 79		
	<u>Budget</u>	Weekly Need	Last Sunday	Year To Date	+ or - ()
Current:	283,291.00	5,554.73	3,266.00	182,645.42	(62,510.25)
LCC Missions	20,000.00	392.16	115.00	13,087.00	( 4,220.69)
Property Improvement:			109.00	5,572.00	

<u>SAMARITANS PURSE SHOEBOXES</u> are available in the narthex. Please return the filled shoeboxes by **TODAY Sunday, November 13**<sup>th</sup>.

<u>FLOWERS</u> have been placed on the altar this morning to the glory of God by Tom & Mary Saxton on the occasion of Mary's birthday today. Happy Birthday, Mary.

**<u>FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE</u>**: Tim Reck, Fellowship Chairman, needs volunteers for Events. Please contact him if you can help.

Notice to Church Extension Fund Depositors: The Church Extension Fund (CEF) is winding down its operations and as of now all depositors with current addresses have received their deposited funds plus the interest owing. However, we have a number of unclaimed savings accounts and savings certificates as we do not have current contact information for these. If you or someone you know thinks they may have a CEF account which has not been redeemed, please contact Darryl Holland at: 800-465-8179 ext4 or <a href="mailto:dholland@lcceast.ca">dholland@lcceast.ca</a>. Also if you are in possession of God Bank Savings Stamps or Tracky Stamps, these too can be redeemed by returning the books or stamps to: Lutheran East District, 275 Lawrence Ave., Kitchener, ON N2M 1Y3.





# OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHEER

To share the joy of Christmas with those in our community who are less fortunate than we are, the "Outreach Committee" is planning to distribute, complete Christmas turkey dinner packages. We are asking

for confidential referrals from our members. Last year we helped 25 families by making up 25 baskets.

### We need your help by:

- Providing us with confidential referrals which can be placed into a box located in our church narthex
- Donating the <u>funds</u> required for the purchase of perishable and non-perishable food items which will be purchased just before the packages are distributed
- Letting the Outreach Committee,

Judy Mason—905-641-7546 Howard Bogusat—905-468-3566

know if you would be willing to help package baskets

Praying that this project is a success and that those who receive these gifts are touched by the joy and wonder of our Saviour's birth and by His love for each one of us.

(PLEASE NOTE THAT WE ARE COLLECTING "MONETARY DONATIONS" ONLY FOR THIS PROJECT)

THANK YOU!

# CREATIVE LUTHERAN COMMUNION

### THE 23<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST November 13, 2022 + 10 AM

FIRST HYMN: "Through The Night" Ebenezer Tune (Thy Strong Word)

Through the night of doubt and sorrow – Onward goes the pilgrim band, Singing songs of expectation, marching to the promised land. Clear before us through the darkness, gleams and burns the guiding light: Brother clasps the hand of brother, stepping fearless through the night.

One the light of God's own presence, O'er His ransomed people shed, Chasing far the gloom and terror, brightening all the path we tread:

One the object of our journey, One the faith which never tires,
One the earnest looking forward, One the hope our God inspires.

Onward, therefore, sisters, brothers, Onward, with the cross our aid! Bear its shame, and fight its battle, Till we rest beneath its shade. Soon shall come the great awaking, soon the rending of the tomb; Then the scatt'ring of all shadows, and the end of toil and gloom.

Words: Bernhardt Ingemann, 1789-1862, alt. Music: Thomas Williams, 1869-1944

### **CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS:**

In the name of the Father and of the Son + and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** You are my hiding place, O Lord;

you will save me from trouble.

I sing aloud of your salvation,

because you protect me.

Then I confessed my sins to you;

I did not conceal my wrongdoings.

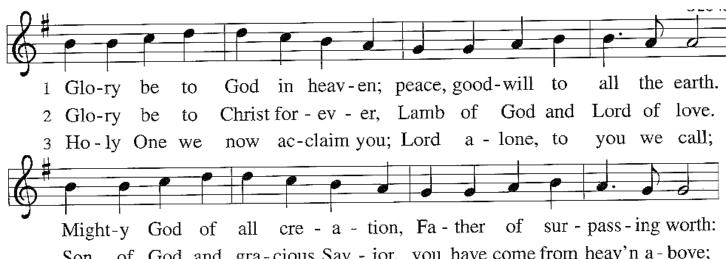
Looking for mercy from the Blessed Trinity, let us confess our sins together, as one people. O Gracious God.

our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and gift us with grace to grow more into the likeness and image of Your dear Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ, in Whom we have life. Amen.

Receive the forgiveness Christ Jesus Himself has won for you by His Passion, His death and resurrection. In the place of Christ and by His holy command, I forgive you all of your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son + and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE [Tune: Ode To Joy]



of God and gra-cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a-bove; Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near all:



a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise. you, we now you reign at God's right hand. save us; on the cross you died to the Fa-ther's splen-dor bright. Je-sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in



an - gels bow be-fore you; here on earth our songs we raise. Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom-ise firm we stand. God on high! the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

We pray: Lord God, govern our hearts by Your Holy Spirit. Make us mindful of the end of all things and the day of Your just judgment. Stir us up to lead holy lives, and let us live with You forever. We ask this through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen** 

The Old Testament: Isaiah 65:17-25

For I am about to create new heavens and a new earth; the former things shall not be remembered or mind. glad and rejoice for ever in what But be for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy, and its people as a delight. I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and delight in my people; no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it, or the cry of distress. No more shall there be in it an infant that lives but a few days, or an old person who does not live out a lifetime; for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth, and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed. They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit. They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat; for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands. They shall not labour in vain, or bear children for calamity; for they shall be offspring blessed by the Lord— and their descendants as well. Before they call I will answer, while they are yet speaking I will hear. The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, the lion shall eat straw like the ox; but the serpent its food shall be dust! They shall not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain, says the Lord.

This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

### The Epistle: 2 Thessalonians 3: 3-13

[St. Paul writes:] We ought always to give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters, as is right, because your faith is growing abundantly, and the love of every one of you for one another is increasing. Therefore we ourselves boast about you in the churches of God for your steadfastness and faith in all your persecutions and in the afflictions that you are enduring. This is evidence of the righteous judgment of God, that you may be considered worthy of the kingdom of God, for which you are also suffering—since indeed God considers it just to repay with affliction those who afflict you, and to grant relief to you who are afflicted as well as to us, when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven with his mighty angels in flaming fire, inflicting vengeance on those who do not know God and on those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus. They will suffer the punishment of eternal destruction, away from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of his might, when he comes on that day to be glorified in his saints, and to be marveled at among all who have believed, because our testimony to you was believed. To this end we always pray for you, that our God may make you worthy of his calling and may fulfill every resolve for good and every work of faith by his power, so that the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.



The Holy Gospel: St. Luke 21: 5-9, 25-28

The Holy Gospel, according to St. Luke, the 21st chapter:

Glory to You, O Lord.

And while some were speaking of the temple, how it was adorned with noble stones and offerings, [Jesus] said, "As for these things that you see, the days will come when there will not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down." And they asked him, "Teacher, when will these things be, and what will be the sign when these things are about to take place?" And he said, "See that you are not led astray. For many will come in my name, saying, 'I am he!' and, 'The time is at hand!' Do not go after them. And when you hear of wars and tumults, do not be terrified, for these things must first take place, but the end will not be at once."..."And there will be signs in sun and moon and stars, and on the earth distress of nations in perplexity because of the roaring of the sea and the waves, people fainting with fear and with foreboding of what is coming on the world. For the powers of the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, straighten up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near." This is the Gospel of the Lord.

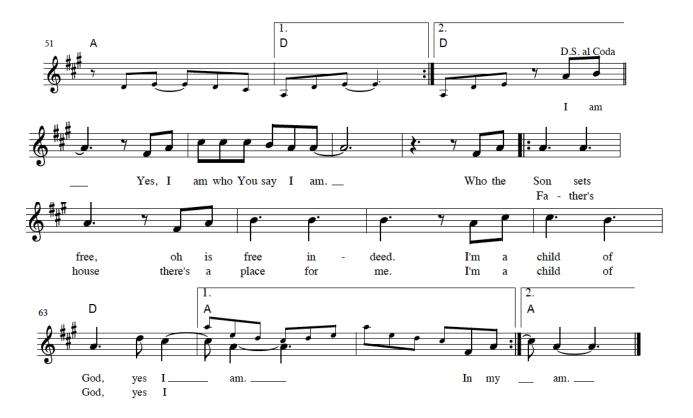
Praise to You, O Christ.

#### THE NICENE CREED:

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 the 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 worshipped 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 + of the world to come. Amen.

GOSPEL SONG: "Who You Say I Am" © 2017 Hillsong Australia

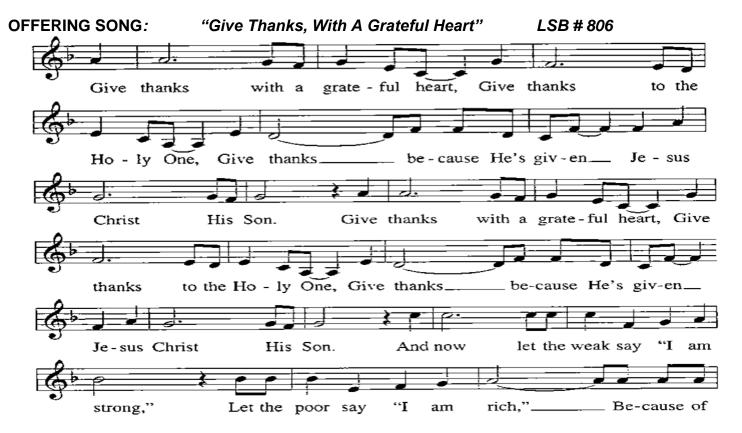




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### **MESSAGE**

### OFFERINGS are gathered.





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#### **PRAYERS**

Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs. Almighty God and Father, we thank you for all your goodness, and especially for the gift of your dear Son, through whom you have revealed your will and grace. Plant your word in us and help us to keep it in our hearts. Remove our pride and grant that we may walk humbly before you.

Lord, hear our prayer -- and listen to our call for help.

Protect and strengthen your church, so that your word and sacraments may nurture faith in you and love to all people. Be with all who spread the light of your truth throughout the world. Bless pastors and people together, missionaries, evangelists and all in leadership roles, so that we all may serve you by proclaiming your word, by helping others, and by doing your will in their daily lives.

Lord, hear our prayer -- and listen to our call for help.

Lord God Almighty, you are the ruler of all the nations of the earth. Give wisdom to our leaders in government and to all who hold office in this country. Bless them, so that all their decisions are based on good advice, so that peace and welfare, truth and justice may always be with us. And make our land a blessing to other peoples and nations.

Lord, hear our prayer -- and listen to our call for help.

Let your blessing rest on agriculture, commerce, and industry. Bless our arts and culture, our rest and leisure. Support all who strive to do your will in their daily vocation, and assure them that you are pleased with their work.

Lord, hear our prayer -- and listen to our call for help.

We place in your care all those who are in trouble. Remember those in need, those who are sick, and especially those who suffer because they bear your name. Today we name before You....[people mentioned here]. Comfort them with your Holy Spirit, so that in their distress they may accept your fatherly will and rejoice in your saving help.

Lord, hear our prayer -- and listen to our call for help.

Protect us from all physical harm and spiritual danger. Support us in our last hour with your mercy, and finally take us into your eternal joy, to love and serve you with your saints and angels forever.

Lord, hear our prayer -- and listen to our call for help.

Lord God, in your word of forgiveness, salvation has come to this house today. Hear our prayer, and glorify your name in all the world, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.** 

#### THE SACRAMENT

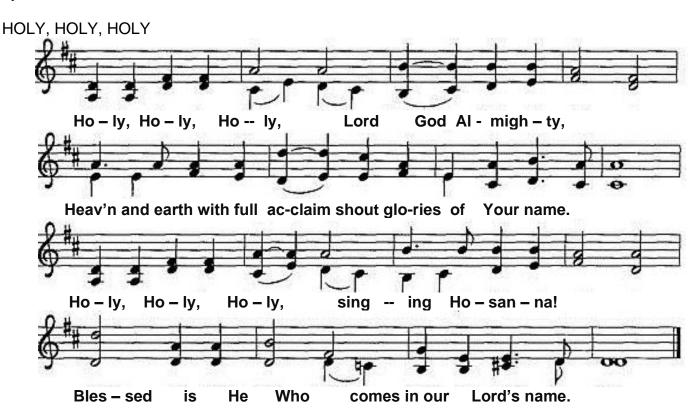
The Lord be with you. And also with you.

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

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

### It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

It is truly good, right and joyful that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, 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 the Church on earth and all the company of Heaven, we praise Your name and join their un-ending hymn:



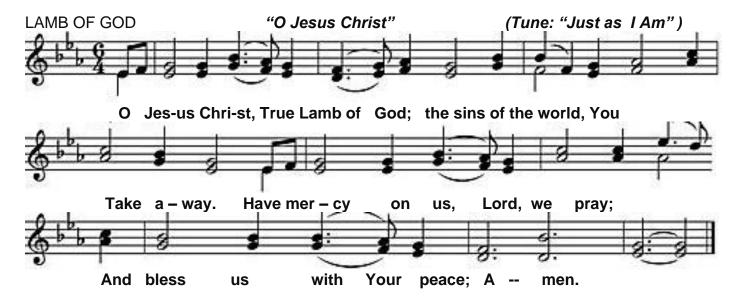
### THE LORD'S PRAYER:

Our Father, Who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy Kingdom come...

### THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION:

Our Lord, Jesus Christ, on the night in which He was betrayed, took bread and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to His disciples, saying: "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, shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always. And also with you.



# THE HOLY COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION PILGRIM STYLE RECEPTION [gluten free wafers available]

**COMMUNION HYMN:** 

"O, One With God"

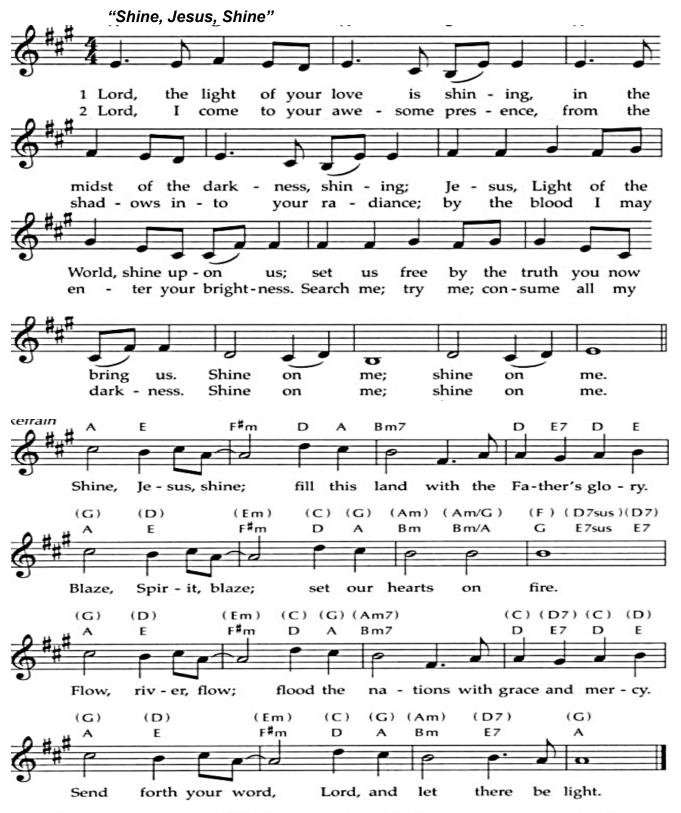
Tune: "The Church's One Foundation"

O, One with God the Father, in majesty and might, The Brightness of His glory, Eternal Light of Light, to gloomy haunts of darkness, Your rays are streaming now; The shadows flee before You, the world's true Light has come.

Yet, Lord, we see but dimly, O Heav'nly Light, arise, come rest in this Your Sup-per, Which veils You from our eyes. We long to track the footprints that You, Yourself have trod; We long to see the pathway, that leads to You our God.

O Jesus, shine around us, with radiance of Your grace; For You our Gracious Saviour, have fed us in this place. We need no star to guide us, as on our way we press, If You will light our pathway, O Sun of Righteousness.

Words: William How, 1823-1897, alt. Public domain.



While the reference to Jesus as the Light of the world (John 8:12, 9:5) can be understood generally, this hymn is perhaps best understood as a response to the Transfiguration (Matthew 17:1–8/Mark 9:2–8/Luke 9:28–36). This is the most popular of the author/composer's many songs.



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### **POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

Holy God, You bless creation and abide with Your Church in every place and time. In Christ Jesus, Your Son, we gather together as One at His table. Just as Jesus stayed with the disciples in the Breaking of the Bread at their meal, so may He now stay with us in the gifts of Bread and Wine we have received and may His Body and Blood open us to share Him with all we meet, in the abiding love of Jesus Christ we pray, Who with the Holy Spirit You live and reign as One, O Lord God, now and always. **Amen.** 

#### BENEDICTION

The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord upon you with favour, + and give you peace.

Amen.

