Immanuel Lutheran of Evanston

All Saints Sunday Sunday

10:30 A.M.
Worship with Eucharist
November 1, 2026

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Welcome!

Immanuel Lutheran Church is a Reconciling in Christ congregation.
We welcome people of every age and size, color and culture, every sexual orientation and gender identity, socio-economic status and marital status, every ability and challenge.
We welcome believers and questioners, and questioning believers.

We're glad God has called you here today! If you're a guest, please feel free to introduce yourself to our pastor or assisting minister. If you would, sign the guest book in the Gathering Area or fill in a guest card, and we'll be happy to send information on how you can get involved at Immanuel.

Masks are now optional during worship service.

Facilities

- Our parking lot is located on the south side of the church off Sherman Avenue. You may park in the lot at any time, whether for church events or for shopping or other errands in downtown Evanston; weekdays, see the church office at the Lake St. entrance to get a parking pass. Parking meters are free on Sunday.
- The parking lot entrance is an accessible entrance. An elevator is located just inside that door.
- Restrooms are downstairs near the meeting of the two hallways. Accessible restrooms are located near the elevator on both upper and lower levels. A gender-neutral restroom is located on the lower level by the elevator.
- We love having children in worship! Activity bags are available from the ushers. There is a nursery and changing/crying room for parents to use, if needed, located downstairs. There are also changing tables in both restrooms on this level, by the elevator. An usher will be happy to direct you.
- Hearing assistance is available. Ask an usher for equipment.
- Wi-Fi is available throughout most of the building. The network is "Immanuel," password "allarewelcome." Please use the Internet responsibly!

About Our Worship

Our Sunday worship is organized around the proclamation of the Word of God and the celebration of the Lord's Supper. It has a familiar form each week, but the content changes for each service according to a calendar shared with many other Christians. The liturgy is printed in this bulletin. If you're worshipping via Zoom, please remain muted until you get to the part where you will be invited to unmute and participate in some parts of the liturgy, as marked by this symbol. = UNMUTE

Receiving Holy Communion

We invite you to share with us in the sacramental meal because Christ invites you! There is no specific age requirement for Communion. There are two options: You may come forward to receive the bread from the Pastor and wine or grape juice from the Assisting Minister. The glasses will be pre-poured, with the grape juice in the inner circle and wine in the outer circle. Each person will take their own glass from the tray. Empty glasses will be collected by the Acolyte. This will be a continuous communion, standing to receive the elements. If you need communion brought to you in the pew, please tell the ushers.

Gathering: *The Holy Spirit assembles us as the People of God …*

All Saints celebrates the baptized people of God, living and dead, who are the body of Christ. As November heralds the dying of the landscape in many northern regions, the readings and liturgy call us to remember all who have died in Christ and whose baptism is complete. At the Lord's table we gather with the faithful of every time and place, trusting that the promises of God will be fulfilled and that all tears will be wiped away in the new Jerusalem.

***P:** Presiding Minister* ***L:** Leader/Assisting Minister* ***R**: Reader* ***A:** Assembly*

☩ *All may make the sign of the cross.*

Prelude

"Prelude: Après un rêve" (After a dream) by Gabriel Fauré
"Dance of the Blessed Spirits" by Christoph Willibald Gluck
Dana Barron, Flute

The Assembly stands when directed and turns toward the font.

Confession and Forgiveness

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,
our dwelling place for all generations,
whose compassion never slumbers.

A 🎙 **Amen.**

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God
and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

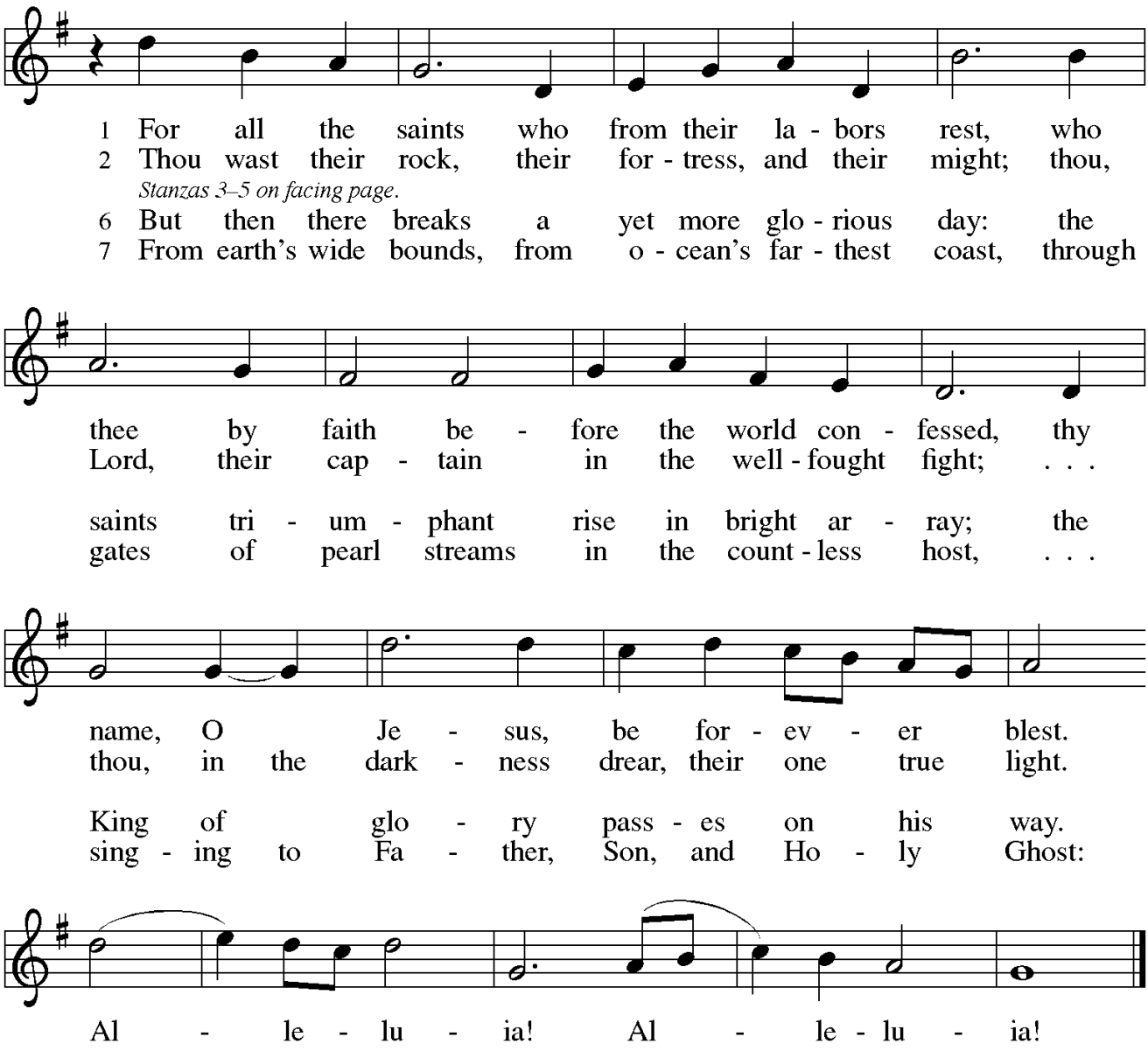
P Holy God,

A 🎙 **we confess that we have trusted in our preparation**
instead of your invitation.
We prioritize our piety over care for your beloved.
We trust the voice of our shame and fear,
which keeps us from entering fully
into relationship with you and others.
We are not awake to the coming of your reign.
Rouse us and rescue us,
that we may enter into your joy.
Amen.

P Inherit the riches of God's grace.
☩ Jesus, the good shepherd, feeds you with his mercy.
You are forgiven.
Blessed are you.

A 🎙 **Amen.**

Gathering Song "For All the Saints" (SINE NOMINE) **ELW 422**

You may reverence the cross as it passes you.

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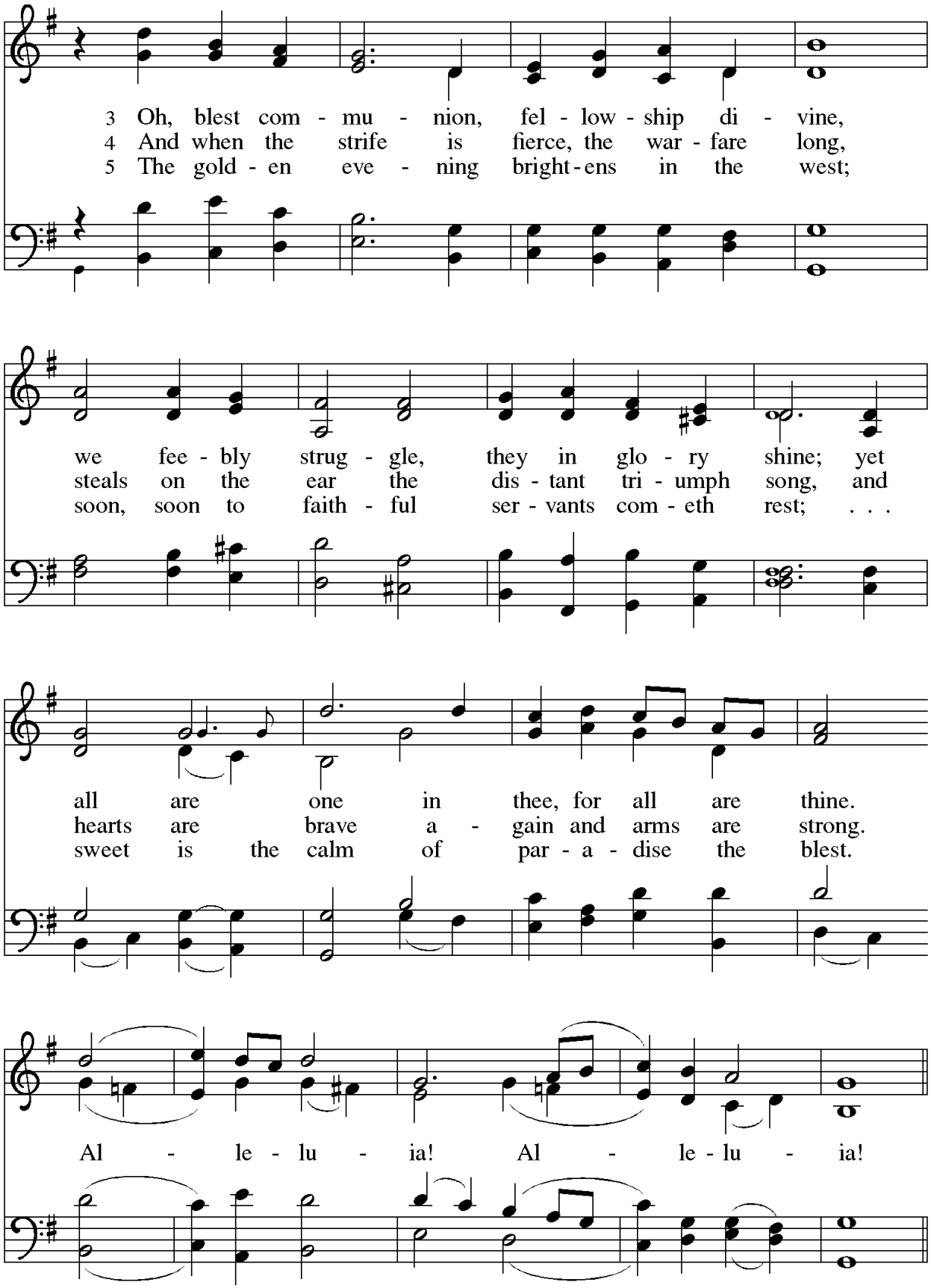

3 Oh, blest com - mu - nion, fel - low - ship di - vine,
4 And when the strife is fierce, the war - fare long,
5 The gold - en eve - ning bright - ens in the west;
we fee - bly strug - gle, they in glo - ry shine; yet
steals on the ear the dis - tant tri - umph song, and
soon, soon to faith - ful ser - vants com - eth rest; . . .
all are one in thee, for all are thine.
hearts are brave a - gain and arms are strong.
sweet is the calm of par - a - dise the blest.
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Greeting & Prayer of the Day

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

A **And also with you!**

P Let us pray…

Pause for a moment of silence…

P Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

A **Amen.**

The Assembly is seated.

Word: *God speaks to us in scripture, preaching, and song*

If you wish to see the text, then use the pew Bible - Page numbers are at the top of the page & in the center.

First Reading *p.999 in the pew Bible* **Revelation 7:9-17**

R A reading from Revelation.

R Word of God, word of life, or The Word of the Lord.

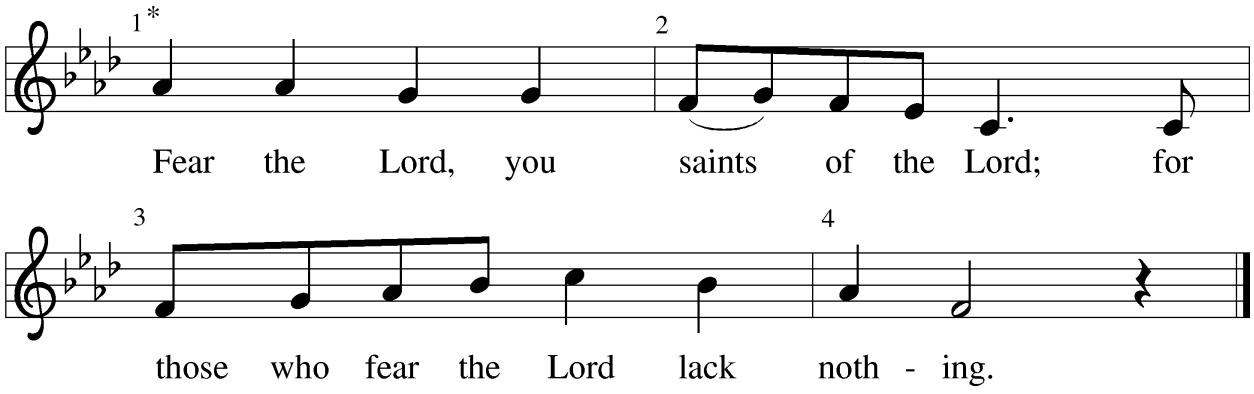
A **Thanks be to God!**

Psalm 34:1-10, 22 **Psalm Tone 5, 3 flats**

The organ will play the tone, and then the refrain, and then the Assembly will sing the refrain through. The organ will only accompany the first two verses and the refrain.
The right side of the Assembly sings the lightface verses to the tone; the left side of the Assembly sings boldface verses. The organ accompanies the first two verses and the remaining verses are sung unaccompanied.
All sing the refrain where indicated by "R."

Tone:

Refrain:



**May be sung in canon.*

[1] I will bless the LORD | at all times;
the praise of God shall ever be | in my mouth.
[2] **I will glory | in the LORD;**
let the lowly hear | and rejoice. **R**

[3] Proclaim with me the greatness | of the LORD;
let us exalt God's | name together.
[4] **I sought the LORD, who | answered me**
and delivered me from | all my terrors.
[5] Look upon the LORD | and be radiant,
and let not your faces | be ashamed.
[6] **I called in my affliction, and | the LORD heard me**
and saved me from | all my troubles. **R**

[7] The angel of the LORD encamps around those who | fear the LORD
and de- | livers them.
[8] **Taste and see that the | LORD is good;**
happy are they who take ref- | uge in God!
[9] Fear the LORD, you saints | of the LORD,
for those who fear the | LORD lack nothing.
[10] **The lions are in want and | suffer hunger,**
but those who seek the LORD lack nothing | that is good.
[22] O LORD, you redeem the life | of your servants,
and those who put their trust in you will | not be punished. **R**

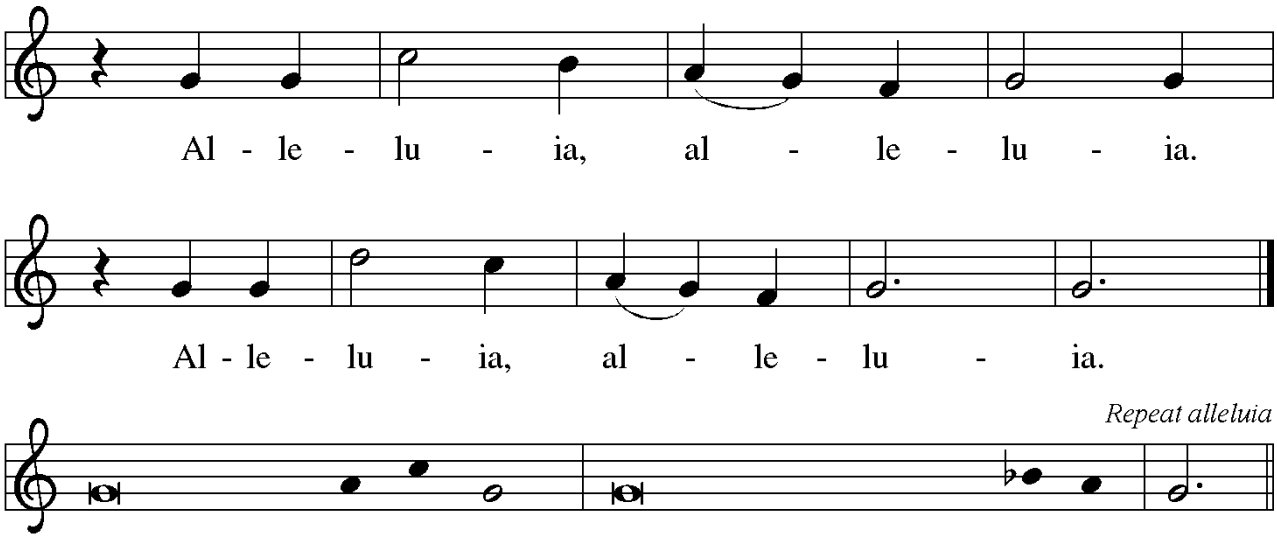
Second Reading *p.990 in the pew Bible* **1 John 3:1-3**

R A reading from 1 John.

R Word of God, word of life, or The Word of the Lord.
A **Thanks be to God!**

The Assembly stands to greet the Good News of Jesus.

Gospel Acclamation S198a



They are before the | throne of God,* and the one who is seated on the throne will| shelter them.

Gospel *p.785 in the pew Bible* **Matthew 5:1-12**

P The Holy Gospel according to Matthew.
A Glory to you, O Lord!

The Gospel is read.

P The Gospel of the Lord.
A Praise to you, O Christ!

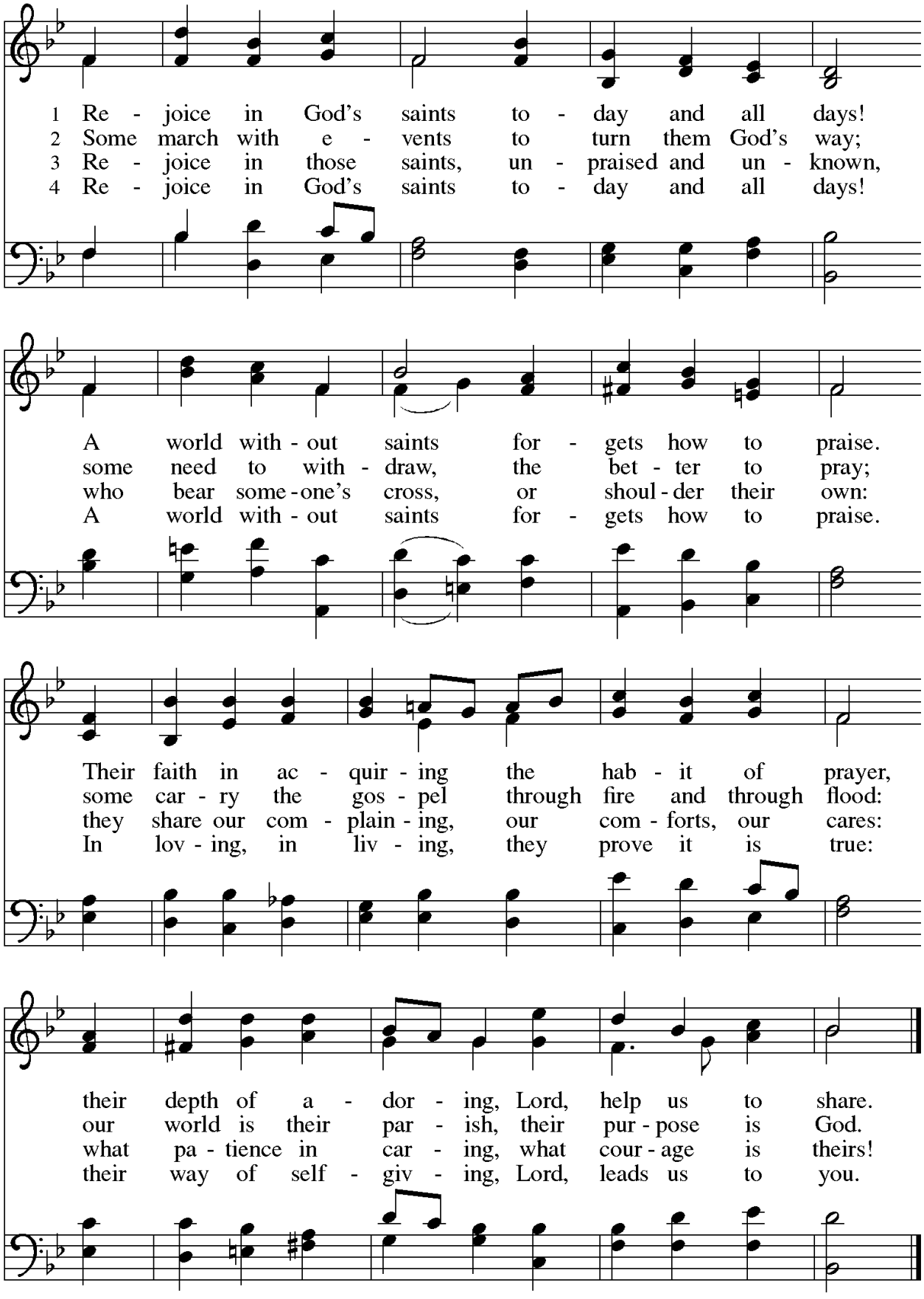
The Gospel Acclamation is sung once again.

The Assembly is then seated.

Sermon

Time of Silence

A bell will sound to signal a time of silence for reflection.
During this time, you may want to meditate on one word from the scriptures
that stands out to you, asking the Spirit to show you how it applies to your own life.
When the bell sounds a second time, the Assembly stands to respond to the Word with song.

Hymn of the Day "Rejoice in God's Saints" (LAUDATE DOMINUM) **ELW 418**

The Nicene Creed

L With the whole Church, let us profess our faith.

A 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.

Thanksgiving for Saints of the Congregation: Remembrance of Those Who Have Died in the Lord

P O God of the pilgrim's way, we give thanks for those in generations past who have been examples for us of God's love at work in the world. As we pray, we know that we are surrounded by this great, rejoicing cloud of witnesses. Yet even as we name these holy ancestors, we thank God for others whose names we never knew or have forgotten, who showed us the meaning of life in Christ.

A bell is rung three times as we begin.

Immanuel members called home this year: Kurt Roderer, Elaine Nelson, and Mark Huffman.

P For blessed Kurt, gifted organ craftsman.
A **We give thanks.** (*Bell is rung and candle is lit*)

L For blessed Elaine, a loving, hospitable servant.
A **We give thanks.** (*Bell is rung and candle is lit*)

P For blessed Mark, home of quiet endurance.
A **We give thanks.** (*Bell is rung and candle is lit*)

As the following names are read, the Assembly is invited to light a candle for someone you remember this day. Come up the center aisle and return to your seat along the side aisle.

Those who have died in the Lord:

Herman Beveroth
Leora Beveroth
Jill Brown
Frieda Djuric
Desimir Djuric
Juan Francisco
Joseph Harrington III
Ward Hoffman
Osborne "Bud" Hummel
LaVera Hummel
Abraham Jerstad
Mary Jerstad
Edgar Krentz
Howard Linden
Eva Linden
Paul Lowe
Ada Lowe
John McCarthy
Eleanor McCarthy
John R. McDaniel
Helen S. McDaniel
George McVey
Betty McVey
Jean Clark Miller
Carl Moehlman
Peter Nepstad
Sissel Nepstad
Joshua Rau
Augusta Simchak
Ingvar Schousboe
Vibeke Schousboe
Joseph Sloss

Jean Sloss

Dorothy Stivers

Lloyd Stivers

Ingeborg Ward

Sam Wee

Will Wotring

Animal Companions (as requested by our Sunday School students):

Mia Bella

Ramona the Great

Luna

Immanuel's Gold Star Veterans

Raymond Arnold Anderson

Robert Torsten Bergendorff

John Evert Johnson

Carl Edward Lindquist

Ivar Leonard Peterson

Arvid Sternquist

Immanuel's Cherished Members

L: In memory of the many saints who were members of Immanuel Lutheran Church in the past whose love and service to God and community continue to inspire us today.

P: Holy God, we honor these, our ancestors in faith
and members of our family.
We, too, seek to do your will: guide us.
We, too, desire to be your servants: strengthen us.
We, too, long to know you clearly: teach us.
And in time, bring us to our eternal home of peace and joy.

A: Amen.

A bell is rung three times.

Prayers of the People

L United with the great cloud of witnesses, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all of creation.

(brief pause)

L Fill your church with mercy and humility as we proclaim the gospel in our worship and witness in the world. Renew and inspire all who preach and teach among us. God, in your mercy,

A hear our prayer.

L Remind us how loving others through service heals the world. We pray for our bishops Yehiel and Erik, our pastor Mark, our president Kit, our council, and our justice ministries. God, in your mercy,

A hear our prayer.

L Restore all lands suffering from ecological degradation. Protect soils and waterways. Point us toward innovative ways of living in harmony and joy with creation. God, in your mercy,

A hear our prayer.

L Unite the nations in their actions toward justice and peace. Raise up leaders who listen deeply for the needs of their communities and surround the election process with wisdom and discernment. God, in your mercy,

A hear our prayer.

L Bring comfort and care to all who are in need, especially all who mourn this day. Sustain any who are weary, experiencing loneliness, or struggling with chronic illness, especially Maren Baylaender, Rebecca Bernstein, Serena Bernstein, the family of Mark Huffman, Dori Jacobson-Wenzel, Jim Jung, Jim Krokar, Nancy Lang, Shirley Patrick, Beth Rohrer, Ionie Smith, Steve Warner, Marina Yarnoff, and those we name now aloud or in the silence of our hearts… God, in your mercy,

A hear our prayer.

L Nurture programs and communities that support elders and those who are homebound. Bless caregivers, nurses, chaplains, social workers, and hospice staff. Guide this congregation's ministry with seniors and their families. God, in your mercy,

A hear our prayer.

L And now, sisters and brothers, for what else shall we pray?

The petitions and thanksgivings of the Assembly, silent or spoken aloud, are invited.

L God, in your mercy,

A hear our prayer.

L With grateful hearts we remember all who have died and now rest from their labors, especially Daniel Payne, Martin de Porres, John Christian Frederick Heyer, Bartholomaeus Ziegenbalg, and Ludwig Nommensen. Fill us with songs of praise until we too are gathered at your side. God, in your mercy,

A hear our prayer.

P Into your steadfast love, faithful God, we entrust all for whom we pray, in the name of Jesus, your beloved.

A Amen.

Peace

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

A And also with you.

Greet one another in the peace of Christ, saying "Peace be with you," "The peace of the Lord," or similar words.

The Assembly is seated.

Meal: *God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ …*

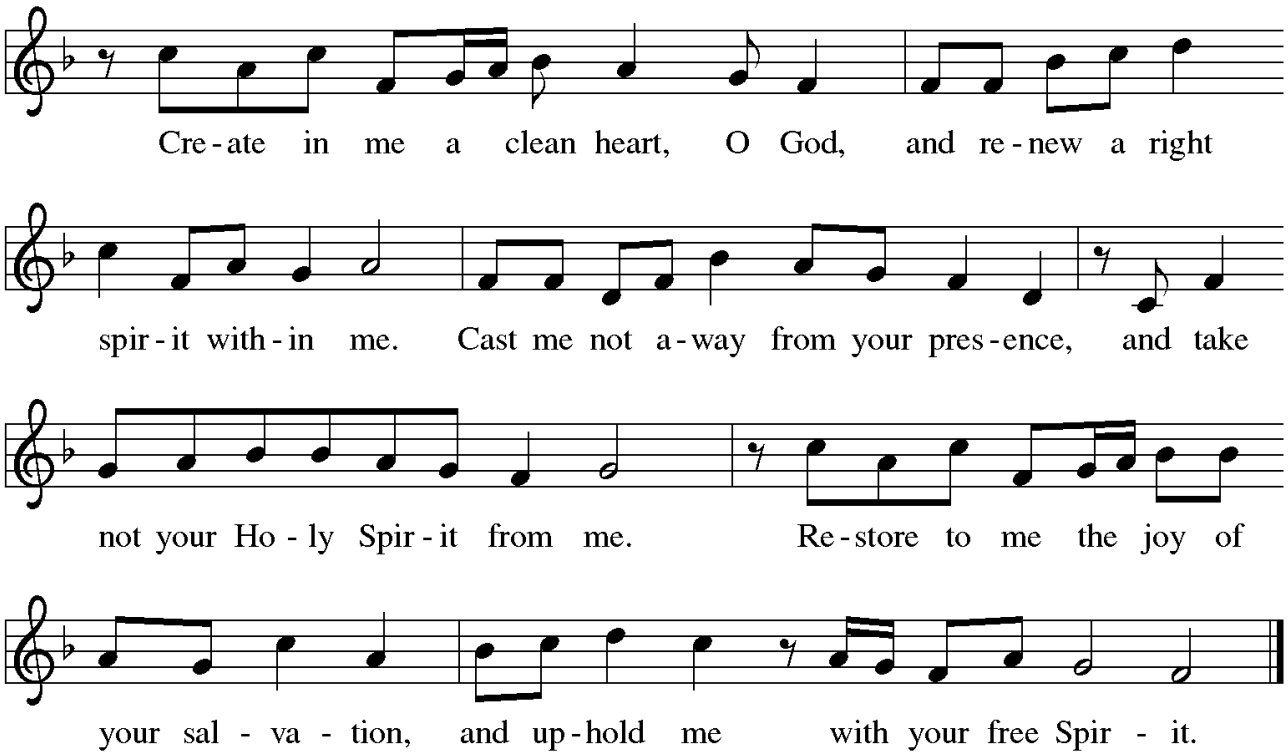
Offering *An offering for doing God's mission, including the care of those in need.*

Hold your smartphone camera up to this QR code and click on the link that appears on your screen to go to our website and make your financial offering online.

Offering Anthem "Requiem" by Giacomo Puccini
Dana Barron, Alto Flute

Requiem æternam dona eis, Domine, et lux perpetua luceat eis.
Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

Presentation of the Gifts "Create in Me a Clean Heart" (HILLERT) **ELW 186**
Assembly stands as the gifts are brought forward.



Offering Prayer

L Let us pray.
L Eternal God,
our time, talents, and treasures are gifts from you.
Receive what we offer,
and all that you entrust to us,
until hungry no more, all the world is fed,
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
A Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

Dialogue

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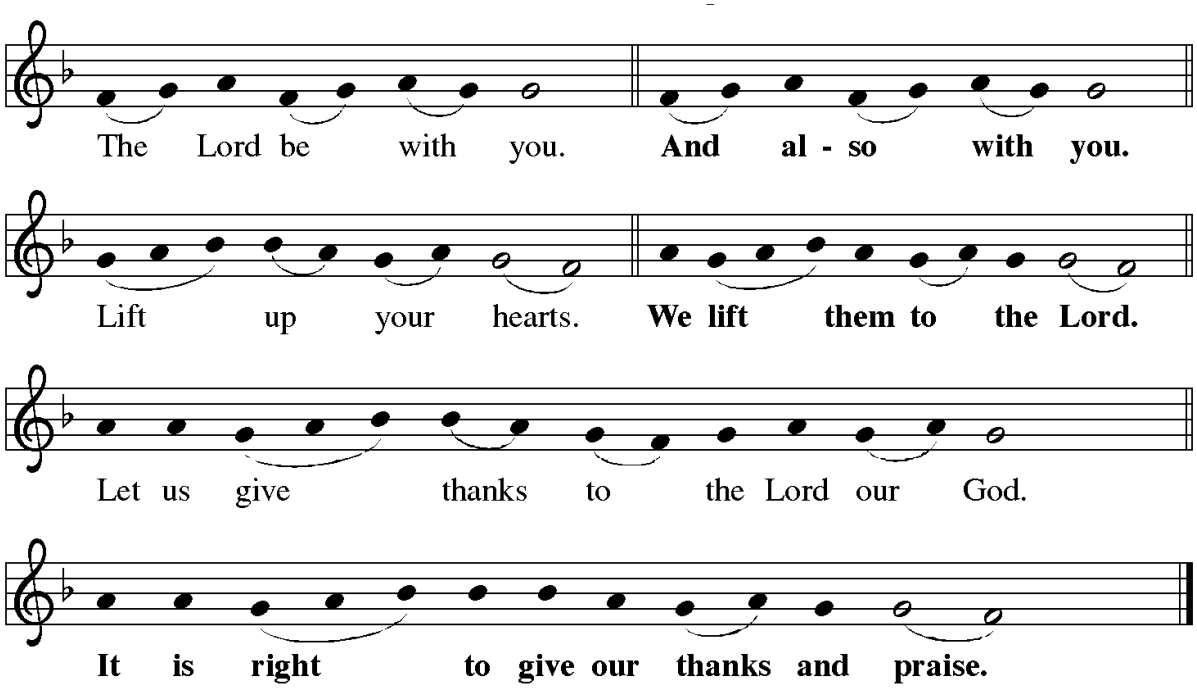

Preface

The Presiding Minister begins the prayer:

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,
through our Savior Jesus Christ.
By the witness of your saints
you show us the hope of our calling
and strengthen us to run the race set before us,
that we may delight in your mercy and rejoice with them in glory.
And so, with all the saints,
with the choirs of angels and all the hosts of heaven,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy *The Assembly joins in singing:*

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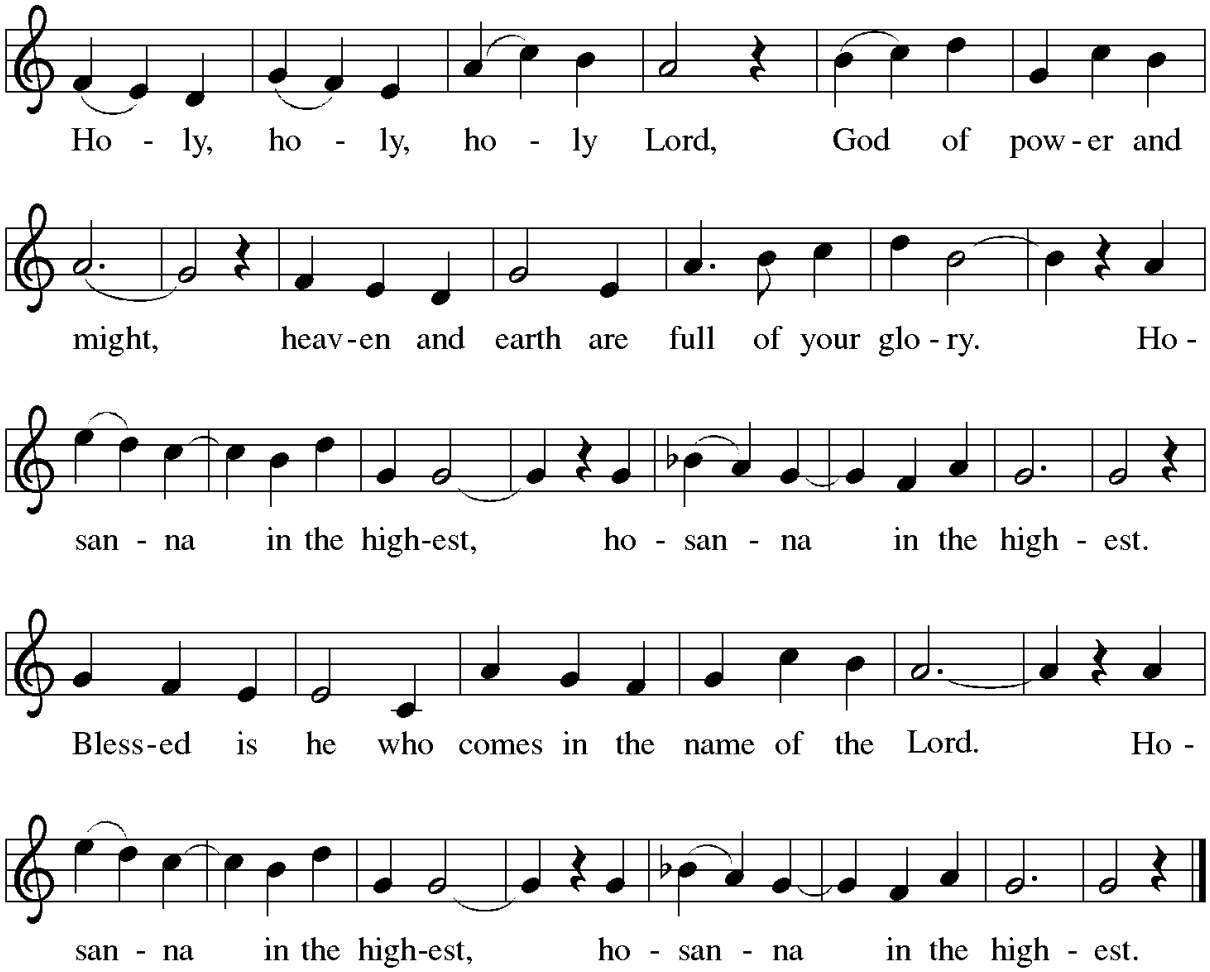

Thanksgiving at the Table

P With all the saints
of Africa and Asia, Europe and the Americas, India, Australia, and the islands,
we praise you, O God, for creating the worlds.
With all the baptized,
the old and the young, the weak and the strong, the famous and the forgotten,
we bless you, O God, for providing mortals with food.
With all the faithful
in tents and mansions, cities and farms, past and present,
we worship you, O God, for sheltering the generations.
With all your holy people
who minister in the church, who serve the poor, who walk the way of the cross,
we glorify you, O God, for journeying with us in Jesus.

With Paul and the evangelists,
we remember the meal of your Son:

On the night before he died, he took bread, and gave thanks,
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

With Peter and all the martyrs,
we honor Christ's death, saying Amen.

A **Amen!**

With Mary Magdalene and all the apostles,
we proclaim his resurrection, shouting Amen.

A **Amen!**

With John, the theologians, and the mystics,
we celebrate Christ present with us, exclaiming Amen.

A **Amen!**

With the Virgin Mary and all who sang of your greatness,
we pray for the power of the Spirit.
Imbue this gathering, this bread and this cup,
with the merciful body and blood of Christ.
Form us into a communion of service,
and infuse your earth with the wholeness we seek.

With grandparents and godparents,
with the Orthodox, Roman Catholics, Protestants, Pentecostals, Evangelicals,
and independents,
and with Kurt Roderer and Elaine Nelson,
lead us to a future we cannot yet see,
and at the end draw all humanity to yourself.

Now with all of the family you saved by your love,
we shout blessing: **Blessing**
glory: **Glory**
wisdom: **Wisdom**
thanksgiving: **Thanksgiving**
honor: **Honor**
power: **Power**
might: **Might**
be to you, our God, forever and ever.

A **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

A Our Loving God in heaven, Father and Mother of us all,
hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come, your will be done
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.

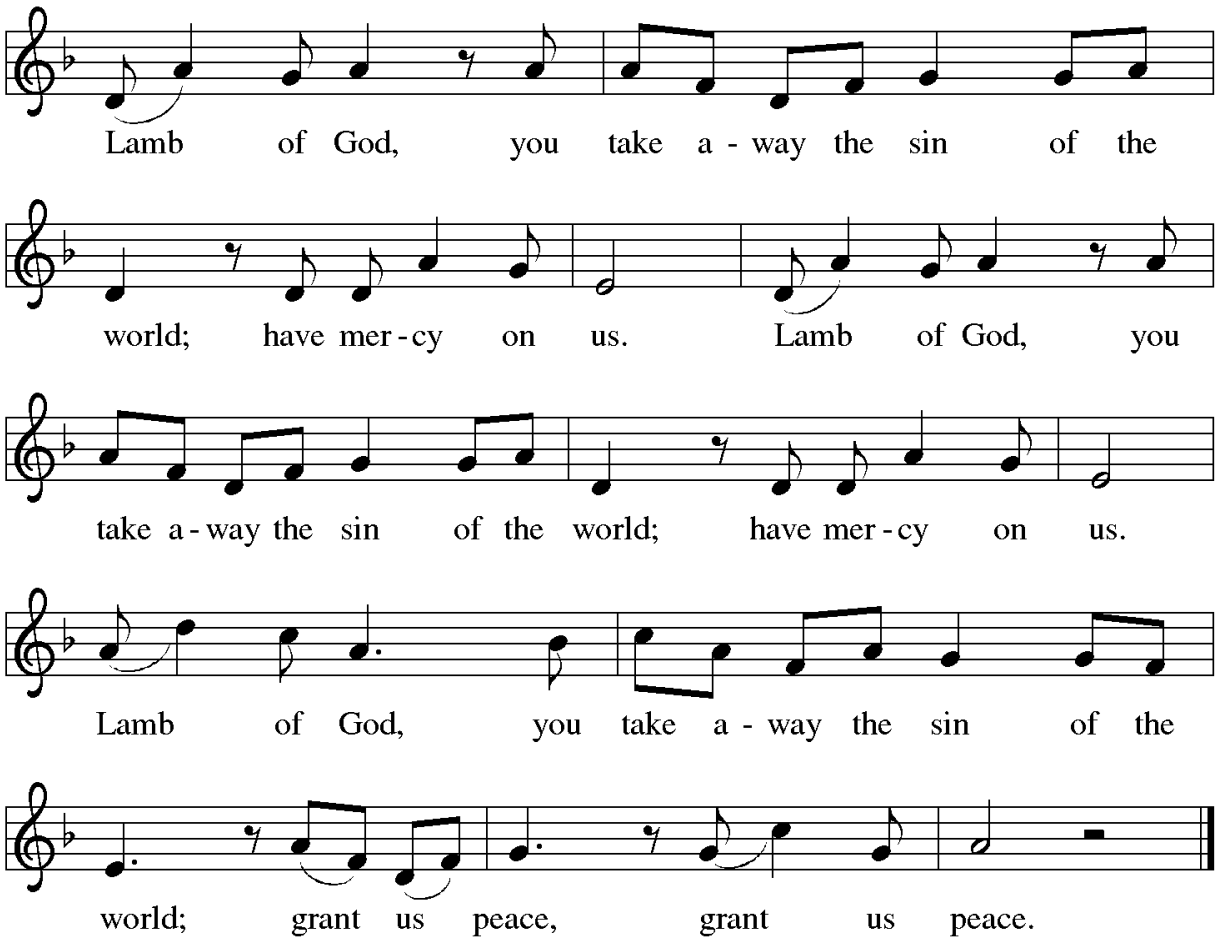
The Breaking of the Bread and Invitation

P Christ invites you to this table.
All who are thirsty, all who are hungry, come!

A We come to be filled with new life.

The Assembly is seated.

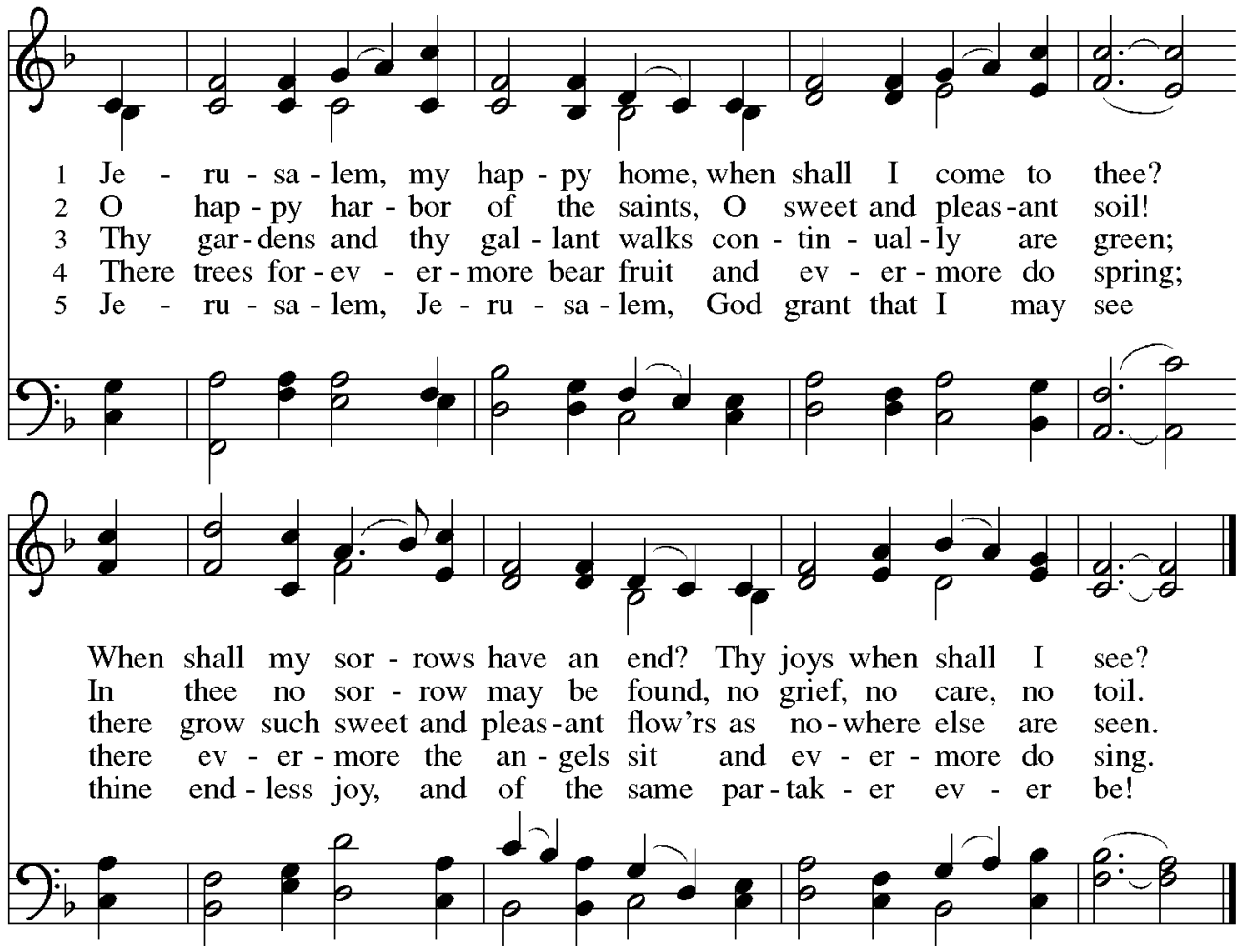
Communion Song Lamb of God S201



Distribution of Holy Communion

Those who wish, please come forward as the ushers direct, to assemble around the rail to receive communion. You may stand or kneel. You will receive the bread from the Pastor and wine or grape juice from the Assisting Minister. The glasses will be pre-poured, with the grape juice in the inner circle and wine in the outer circle. Each person will take their own glass from the tray. Empty glasses will be collected by the Acolyte. This will be a continuous communion. (If you need communion brought to you, please tell the ushers.)

Communion Hymn "Jerusalem, My Happy Home" (LAND OF REST) **ELW 628**

The Assembly sings the hymn.

The Assembly stands as directed.

Blessing after Communion

P May the body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you, and keep you in his grace.

A Amen.

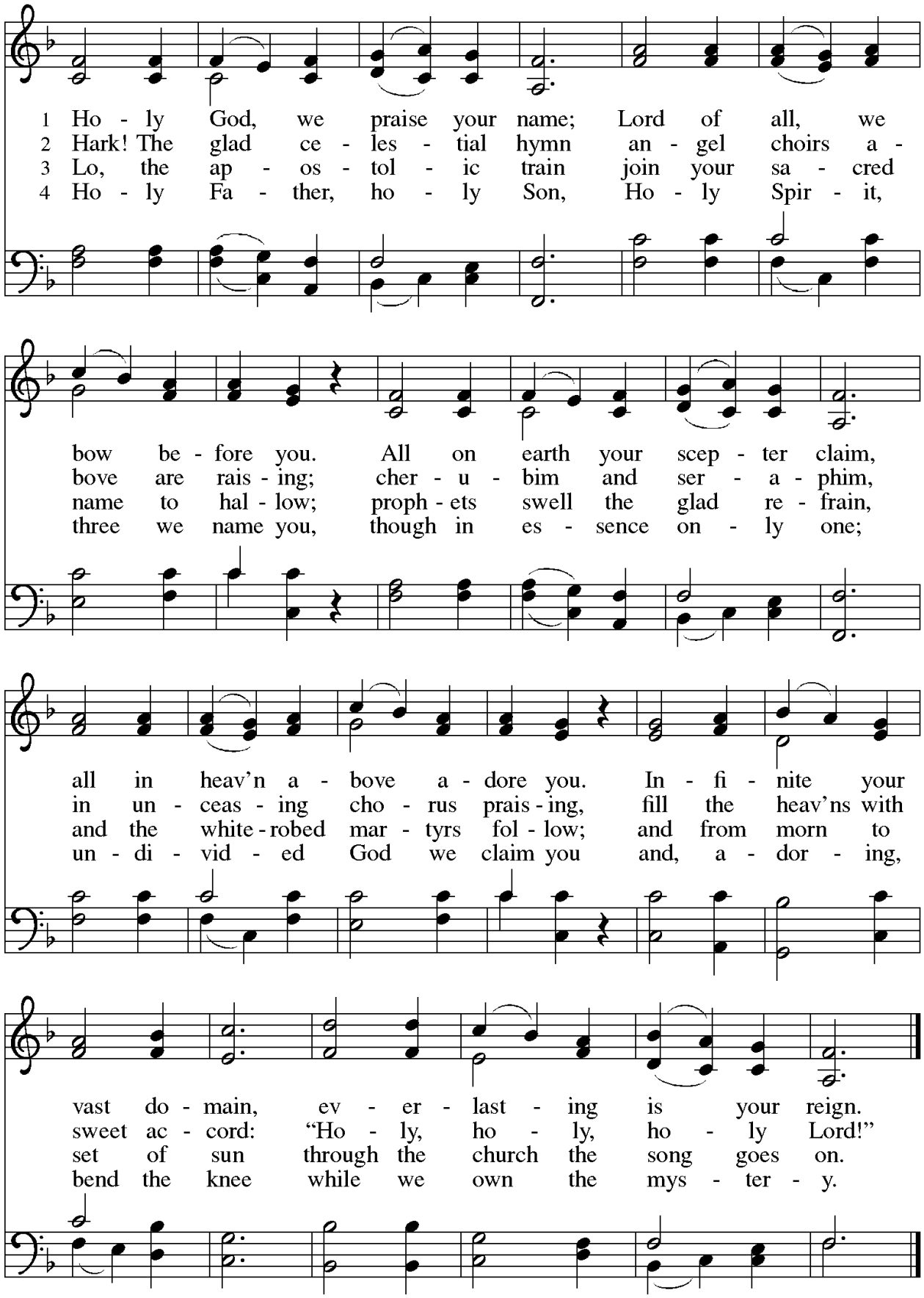
Prayer after Communion

L Let us pray…
Holy God,
we have received your never-ending mercy in this meal.
You continuously seek the lost,
bind the injured,
and feed your people abundantly.
Now send us out,
awake to your presence,
now and forever.
A Amen.

Sending: *God blesses us, and sends us in mission to the world …*

Blessing

P The holy Trinity,
Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you with wisdom to welcome the reign of God,
today and always.
A **Amen.**

Sending Song "Holy God, We Praise Your Name" (GROSSER GOTT) **ELW 414**

Dismissal

L Go in peace. Encourage one another.

A Thanks be to God.

Postlude "Minuet Finale" from *Music for the Royal Fireworks* by George Frideric Handel

Please stay for a time of fellowship and announcements immediately following the service in Fellowship Hall.
Today's refreshments are hosted by Bert Mount & Jim Miller.
Come enjoy one another's company and learn what's happening in and throughout the Immanuel congregation!!

To join coffee hour via Zoom on a smartphone,
scan with your camera to get the link.

Serving in worship today...

Presiding Minister.....The Rev. Mark Sloss
Assisting Minister ..... Chris Djuric
Lector ..... Anne Heider
Acolyte..... Kit McCarthy
Organist .....Patricia Radosavljevic
Musician..... Dana Barron
Music Director.....James Morehead
Table Preparation ..... Terri Simchak
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Ushers ..... Marlene Chatain, TBD

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Upcoming Events – for details see the weekly e-blast, *Immanuel Newsfeeds,* or the website Calendar at www.immanuelevanston.org. Worship services can be attended either in person or online.

Monday, Nov. 2	North Shore Squares	*7:00 pm*
Tuesday, Nov. 3	Tai-chi	*10:30 am*
	Midweek Gathering on Zoom	*2:00 pm*
	North Shore Squares (2 classes)	*7:00 pm*
Wed. Nov. 4	FA Meeting	*6:15 pm*
	Choir Practice	7:30 pm
Thur. Nov. 5	Daytime Quilters	9:00 am
	Tai-chi	10:30 am
	Wilmette Band Rehearsal	7:30 pm
Sunday, Nov. 8	Sunday Worship Service	10:30 am
	New Community Church	1:00 pm

Pr. Mark will be on the Bright Star of Bethlehem trip through Nov. 12th

This week's commemorations….

All Saints Day
Sunday, November 1, 2026
The custom of commemorating all of the saints of the church on a single day goes back at least to the third century. All Saints Day celebrates the baptized people of God, living and dead, who make up the body of Christ. On this day or the following Sunday, many congregations will remember the faithful who have died during the past year.

Daniel Payne, teacher, pastor, 1893 (TFF)
Monday, November 2, 2026
Educator Daniel Payne organized a school for African Americans in Charleston, South Carolina, that eventually became the largest school in Charleston. In 1835 the school was closed when the General Assembly of South Carolina passed a law preventing free African Americans and slaves from operating schools. Payne eventually enrolled in Gettysburg Seminary and was ordained by the Franckean Synod of Upper New York. No call was available to him in the Lutheran church, so he served a Presbyterian congregation in East Troy, New York. He went on to found Wilberforce College in Ohio.

Martín de Porres, renewer of society, died 1639
Tuesday, November 3, 2026
Martín was the son of a Spanish knight and a freed Black woman from Panama. As a lay brother in the Order of Preachers (Dominicans), he engaged in many charitable works in Lima, Peru. He founded an orphanage, a hospital, and a clinic for cats and dogs.

John Christian Frederick Heyer, died 1873; Bartholomaeus Ziegenbalg, died 1719; Ludwig Nommensen, died 1918; missionaries
Saturday, November 7, 2026
Heyer was the first missionary sent out by American Lutherans. After teaching at Gettysburg College and Seminary he was assigned to the Andhra region of India. A worker among the Tamil people on the southeast coast of India, Ziegenbalg was opposed both by local Hindus and by Danish authorities who favored a different missionary style. He was known for caring about the welfare of the whole person. Nommensen was born in northern Germany and was sent to Sumatra as a Lutheran missionary. Working among the Batak people, he translated the scriptures into their language and honored their native culture.

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