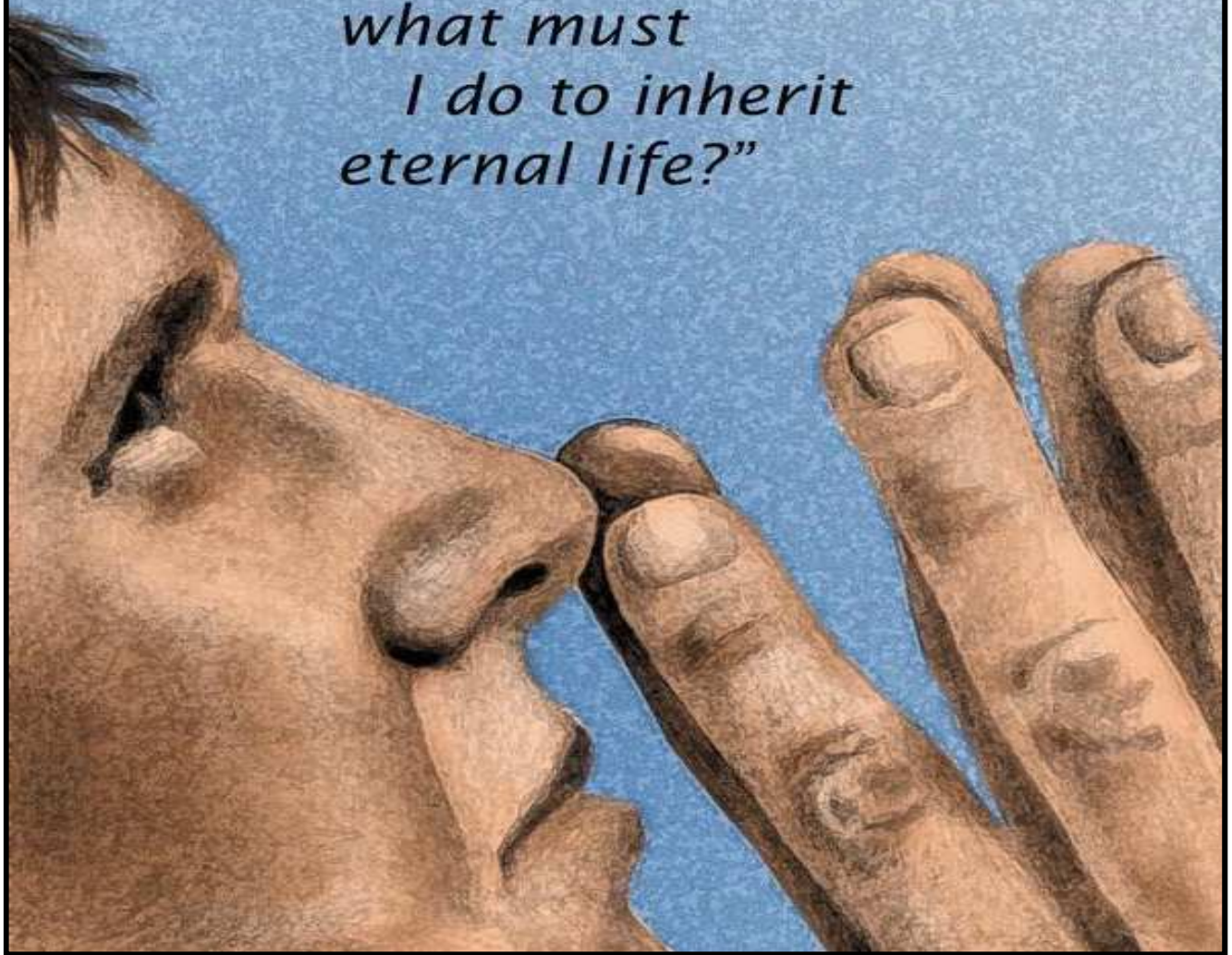


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and asked him,*

**“Good  
Teacher,**

*what must  
I do to inherit  
eternal life?”*



Pentecost season  
Our Savior Lutheran Church, Roanoke, Virginia  
October 17, 2021 10 a.m.

## WELCOME

How many of our problems would disappear if we just had more money?

Our first thought could be: “Most of our problems.” But after thinking about it a few minutes, we would probably change our answer to “None.”

Because our problems are rarely in our wallet. Our problems, almost always, are in our hearts. This morning we have a chance to sit at Jesus’ feet to soak in his wisdom about our problems and what’s he’s done to help us with our hearts. After all, money problems are usually only heart issues in disguise. Jesus is the cure for all our heart issues!

We hope and pray that God’s Word in our worship will fill your heart with joy, forgiveness, love, and peace so you can live this week with confidence and strength.

Welcome!

## ABOUT THIS SERVICE

All music and responses are printed in this worship folder. The worship leader speaks the words in plain print, and **the congregation speaks the words in bold print**.

Participate in the worship service as much or as little as you like. More than anything we want you to feel comfortable here so you can take to heart the main message—Jesus gave his life to give us real life.

We enjoy having children in worship because Jesus gave his life for them too. If you feel like they need a break, we do have a quiet nursery with a video feed from our worship. Our nursery is across the hallway from worship. You’ll find signs just outside the double doors.

## RECEIVING THE LORD’S SUPPER

We welcome all to this special worship service celebrating God’s Word which still endures.

During our worship service we will celebrate the Lord’s Supper as another Means of Grace our Lord has given us to strengthen our faith. Jesus encouraged us to take this meal, but he warned us that well-intentioned Christians can unknowingly take this meal to their spiritual harm. He instructed us that as we receive the Lord’s Supper with other Christians, we are publicly confessing that we are in complete agreement of what we believe.

In view of these truths, we invite to the Lord’s Supper all who have been confirmed in the WELS or ELS churches. Through their confirmation they have studied God’s Word concerning how to prepare for the Lord’s Supper and have joined themselves to our confession of faith. We ask anyone who has not had the opportunity for these studies and confession to please remain seated. Remember that Jesus gave his life for each of us so that with or without the Lord’s Supper, God has forgiven all our sins and made us part of his family through faith. Our pastor will be happy to help you begin these studies of God’s Word so you can join us in the future to take the Lord’s Supper together.

# We enter God's presence

## Lord of Lords, the Sparkling Heavens – Hymn 237



1. Lord of lords, the spar - kling heav - ens Show the great - ness of your hand,  
2. Lord of light, your gift of beau - ty Fills our plan - et here be - low.  
3. Lord of love, we bow be - fore you, Hum - bled by your con - stant grace.  
4. Lord of na - tions, by your Spir - it Cause our fear and greed to cease;



Bril - liant gal - ax - ies un - fold - ing, Dis - tant suns your  
Crys - tal snow and sil - ver moon - light, For - est green with  
Word in - car - nate sent from heav - en, On the cross you  
Rest - less hearts and lives re - fash - ion By the en - trance



wis - dom planned, Morn - ing stars in con - cert sing - ing --  
life a - blow, Sap - phire o - cean, flam - ing sun - set  
took our place. By your death and res - ur - rec - tion  
of your peace. May we now with firm com - mit - ment



Praise the one whose pow'r we see: Lord of might and maj - es - ty.  
Your cre - a - tive joy pro - claim! Lord of all, we praise your name.  
We shall live through end - less days! Lord of life we sing your praise.  
Fol - low in o - be - dience true: Lord of lords, we wor - ship you.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

**And also with you.**

## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.

**Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord have mercy on me, a sinner.**

God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given us his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

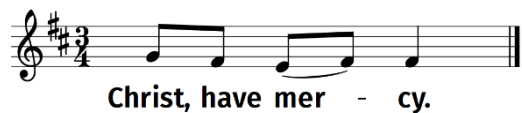
**Amen.**

## PRAISE AND PRAYER

For all that we need in life and for the wisdom to use all your gifts with gratitude and joy, hear our prayer, O Lord.



For the steadfast assurance that nothing can separate us from your love and for the courage to stand firm against the assaults of Satan and every evil, hear our prayer, O Christ.



For the well-being of your holy Church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise, hear our prayer, O Lord.



Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care.



The works of the Lord are great and glorious; his name is worthy of praise.

## God, We Praise You – Hymn 277



Je - sus Christ, the King of glo - ry, Ev - er - last - ing Son of God,  
Christ, at God's right hand vic - to - rious, You will judge the world you made;



Hum - ble was your vir - gin moth - er, Hard the lone - ly path you trod:  
Lord, in mer - cy help your ser - vants For whose free - dom you have paid:



By your cross is sin de - feat - ed, Hell con - front - ed face to face,  
Raise us up from dust to glo - ry; Guard us from all sin to - day.



Heav - en o - pened to be - liev - ers, Sin - ners jus - ti - fied by grace.  
King en - throned a - bove all prais - es, Save your peo - ple, God, we pray.

Grant, O merciful Lord, to your faithful people pardon and peace that they may be cleansed from all their sins and serve you with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



A - men.



# God speaks to us

## 2 KINGS 5:14 - 27

*A new believer wants to show his thanks with his money. A servant of the church gives in to his greed for that money.*



So he went down and dipped himself in the Jordan seven times, as the man of God had told him, and his flesh was restored and became clean like that of a young boy.

Then Naaman and all his attendants went back to the man of God. He stood before him and said, "Now I know that there is no God in all the world except in Israel. Please accept now a gift from your servant."

The prophet answered, "As surely as the LORD lives, whom I serve, I will not accept a thing." And even though Naaman urged him, he refused.

"If you will not," said Naaman, "please let me, your servant, be given as much earth as a pair of mules can carry, for your servant will never again make burnt offerings and sacrifices to any other god but the LORD. But may the LORD forgive your servant for this one thing: When my master enters the temple of Rimmon to bow down and he is leaning on my arm and I bow there also—when I bow down in the temple of Rimmon, may the LORD forgive your servant for this."

"Go in peace," Elisha said.

After Naaman had traveled some distance, Gehazi, the servant of Elisha the man of God, said to himself, "My master was too easy on Naaman, this Aramean, by not accepting from him what he brought. As surely as the LORD lives, I will run after him and get something from him."

So Gehazi hurried after Naaman. When Naaman saw him running toward him, he got down from the chariot to meet him. "Is everything all right?" he asked.

"Everything is all right," Gehazi answered. "My master sent me to say, 'Two young men from the company of the prophets have just come to me from the hill country of Ephraim. Please give them a talent of silver and two sets of clothing.'"

"By all means, take two talents," said Naaman. He urged Gehazi to accept them, and then tied up the two talents of silver in two bags, with two sets of clothing. He gave them to two of his servants, and they carried them ahead of Gehazi. When Gehazi came to the hill, he took the things from the servants and put them away in the house. He sent the men away and they left. Then he went in and stood before his master Elisha.

"Where have you been, Gehazi?" Elisha asked.

"Your servant didn't go anywhere," Gehazi answered.

But Elisha said to him, "Was not my spirit with you when the man got down from his chariot to meet you? Is this the time to take money, or to accept clothes, olive groves, vineyards, flocks, herds, or menservants and maidservants? Naaman's leprosy will cling to you and to your descendants forever." Then Gehazi went from Elisha's presence and he was leprous, as white as snow. NIV

# Psalm 90

A prayer of Moses the man of God.

Lord, you have been our dwelling place  
throughout all generations.  
Before the mountains were born  
or you brought forth the earth and the world,  
from everlasting to everlasting you are God.

**You turn men back to dust,  
saying, “Return to dust, O sons of men.”**

**For a thousand years in your sight  
are like a day that has just gone by,  
or like a watch in the night.**

**You sweep men away in the sleep of death;  
they are like the new grass of the morning—  
though in the morning it springs up new,  
by evening it is dry and withered.**

We are consumed by your anger  
and terrified by your indignation.  
You have set our iniquities before you,  
our secret sins in the light of your presence.  
All our days pass away under your wrath;  
we finish our years with a moan.  
The length of our days is seventy years—  
or eighty, if we have the strength;  
yet their span is but trouble and sorrow,  
for they quickly pass, and we fly away.

**Who knows the power of your anger?  
For your wrath is as great as the fear that is due you.  
Teach us to number our days aright,  
that we may gain a heart of wisdom.**

Relent, O LORD! How long will it be?  
Have compassion on your servants.  
Satisfy us in the morning with your unfailing love,  
that we may sing for joy and be glad all our days.  
Make us glad for as many days as you have afflicted us,  
for as many years as we have seen trouble.  
May your deeds be shown to your servants,  
your splendor to their children.

**May the favor of the Lord our God rest upon us;  
establish the work of our hands for us—  
yes, establish the work of our hands. NIV**

## HEBREWS 13:1-6

*Jesus and his promises make a life of contentment possible.*

Keep on loving each other as brothers. Do not forget to entertain strangers, for by so doing some people have entertained angels without knowing it. Remember those in prison as if you were their fellow prisoners, and those who are mistreated as if you yourselves were suffering.

Marriage should be honored by all, and the marriage bed kept pure, for God will judge the adulterer and all the sexually immoral. Keep your lives free from the love of money and be content with what you have, because God has said,

“Never will I leave you;  
never will I forsake you.”

So we say with confidence,

“The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid.  
What can man do to me?” NIV

Alleluia. This is the Lord, we trusted in him; let us rejoice and be glad in his salvation. Alleluia. Isaiah 25:9b cf. NIV



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! These words are

writ - ten that we may be-lieve that Je - sus is the Christ, the

Son of God. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

The musical score is written on three staves in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The first staff is in 4/4 time and contains the lyrics 'Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! These words are'. The second staff changes to 6/4 time and then back to 4/4 time, containing the lyrics 'writ - ten that we may be-lieve that Je - sus is the Christ, the'. The third staff is in 4/4 time and contains the lyrics 'Son of God. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!'. The score ends with a double bar line.



## GOSPEL: MARK 10:17-27

As Jesus started on his way, a man ran up to him and fell on his knees before him. “Good teacher,” he asked, “what must I do to inherit eternal life?”

“Why do you call me good?” Jesus answered. “No one is good—except God alone. You know the commandments: ‘Do not murder, do not commit adultery, do not steal, do not give false testimony, do not defraud, honor your father and mother.’”

“Teacher,” he declared, “all these I have kept since I was a boy.”

Jesus looked at him and loved him. “One thing you lack,” he said. “Go, sell everything you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me.”

At this the man’s face fell. He went away sad, because he had great wealth.

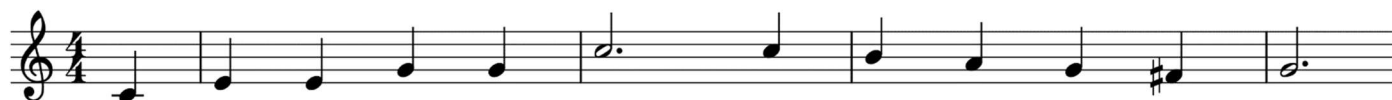
Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, “How hard it is for the rich to enter the kingdom of God!”

The disciples were amazed at his words. But Jesus said again, “Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God.”

The disciples were even more amazed, and said to each other, “Who then can be saved?”

Jesus looked at them and said, “With man this is impossible, but not with God; all things are possible with God.” NIV

## Your Works, Not Mine, O Christ – Hymn 401



1. Your works, not mine, O Christ, Speak glad - ness to this heart.  
2. Your blood, not mine, O Christ, Can heal my sin - ful soul;  
3. Your cross, not mine, O Christ, Has borne the dread - ful load  
4. Your death, not mine, O Christ, Has paid the ran - som due;  
5. Your right - eous - ness, O Christ, A - lone can cov - er me;



They tell me all is done; They bid my fear de - part.  
Your wounds, not mine, con - tain The balm that makes me whole.  
Of sins that none could bear But the in - car - nate God.  
Ten thou - sand deaths like mine Would have been all too few.  
No oth - er right - eous - ness Can set the sin - ner free.



**Refrain**  
To whom but you, who can a - lone For sin a - tone, Lord, shall I flee?

## All people are possible with God

# We respond to God's grace

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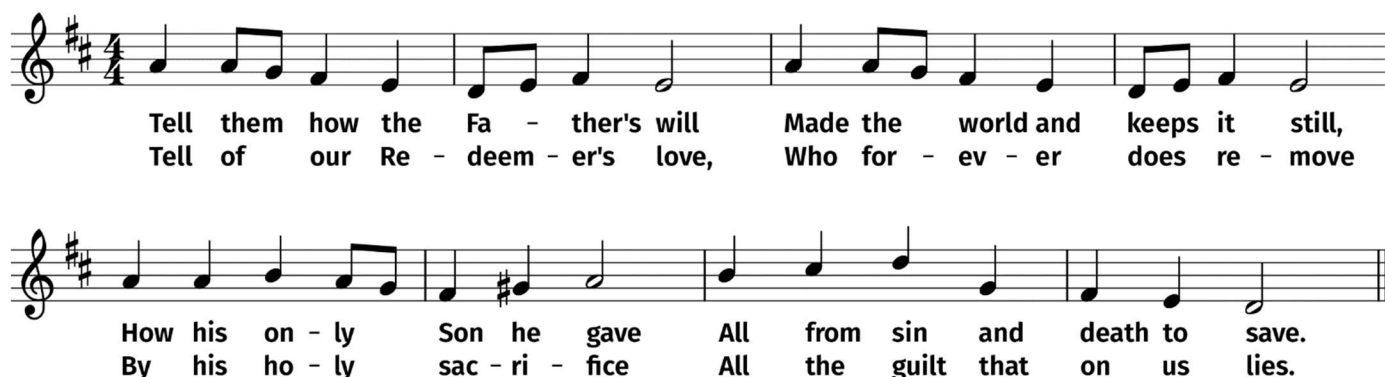
**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**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 fully 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 and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped  
and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian 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.**

## OFFERING

You may place your offering in the plate as the usher passes by or after worship in the offering plate in the back of our worship space. Our offerings support our work here and around the world in sharing Jesus' love with others.



# PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

O Lord, our God, you are wise and powerful, good and gracious. Your mercies are new every morning. Each day you open your hand and provide for the needs of your children on earth.

**We praise you for every grace and blessing.**

Strengthen your Church in all the world. Let your comforting message of salvation in Christ Jesus be proclaimed to troubled souls everywhere.

**Use our ministries and offerings to extend your healing and your hope.**

We bring you our requests for the various structures of our society. Bless our national, state, and local governments.

**Grant us civil servants who are worthy of honor and respect.**

Grant prosperity to our businesses and industries. Give employers a sense of fairness toward their workers, and employees a feeling of joy and pride in their workmanship.

**Help us find satisfaction in all work well done.**

Invigorate the schools of our land. Give success to every effort that helps students read, think, and communicate in ways that will promote an informed and responsible citizenry. Arouse curious minds to discover the wonders of your created order.

**Give us teachers and students who pursue excellence.**

Strengthen the families of our country. Give fathers and mothers a renewed commitment to be good parents. Give children and young people the wisdom to regard their parents as your representatives.

**Lead us to love one another as you have loved us.**

Prepare us to receive your sacrament of the Lord's Supper. Work repentance over our sins in us. Fill us with trust in your promise that with the bread and wine, we receive the body and blood of Jesus and forgiveness for all our sins. Use this meal to build the bond of fellowship among us as we confess our unity of faith. May we leave your table with a stronger faith in you and deeper love for our neighbor.

Almighty and eternal God, we thank you for leading us to build a house for your honor and worship. Give your grace to all who will be involved in the work of building, that the construction may be successfully completed. Set apart this building for the proclamation of your saving gospel, that your holy name may be worshiped here in spirit and in truth for many generations, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

*Special prayers and intercessions*

Hear us as we bring our individual requests.

*Silent prayer*

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For all our unasked needs we pray:

**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.**

## Jesus gives us his body and blood



The Lord be with you.



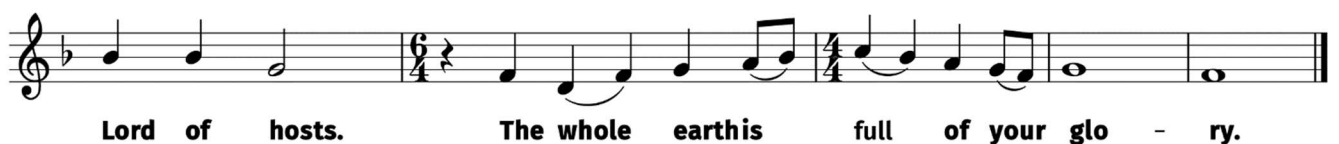
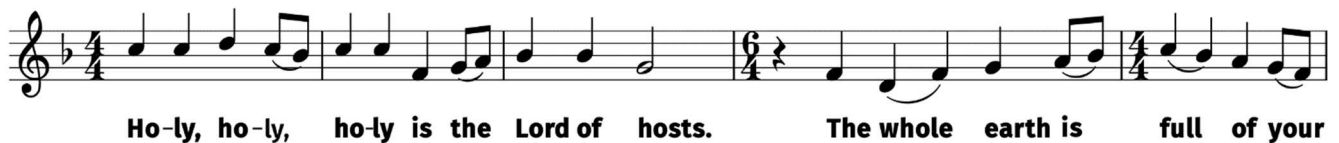
Lift up your hearts.



Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.



Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. He sends the Holy Spirit to testify that we are his children and to strengthen us when we are weak. Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory forever and ever.



The peace of the Lord be with you always.



## DISTRIBUTION

## THANKSGIVING



Thank the Lord and sing his praise. Tell ev'-ry-one what he has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re-joice and proud-ly bear his name.



He re-news his prom-is-es and leads his peo-ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks-gi-ving. Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



A-men.

## THE LORD'S BLESSING

Brothers and sisters go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.



A-men. A-men. A-men.



## Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow – Hymn 334

Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; Praise him, all crea - tures

here be - low; Praise him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly host;

Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost!

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Pastor	Paul Workentine	Paul Workentine
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Greeters	Jocelyn	Barbara
Ushers	Derek	John
Snacks	Sally	Sharon & Vonnice
Flowers	Daisy's 7 <sup>th</sup> birthday	Sharon
Cleaning	Josh & Holly	Betsy & Pastor
Video	Jocelyn	Jordan

<b>Today</b>	10 am	Worship and communion
	11 am	Snacks
	11:30 am	Sunday school
<b>Monday</b>	6 pm	Choir
<b>Next Sunday</b>	10 am	Worship
	11 am	Snacks
	11:30 am	Sunday school

**Calendar**



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