

## Welcome to Trinity!

We rejoice in this opportunity to gather for worship in our sanctuary after having been prevented from doing so by COVID for so long! We know that some of you will feel more comfortable waiting for a bit longer to return in person. That's fine too! We will continue to rejoice in your presence with us virtually as you connect online!

Here at Trinity, we strive to follow our Lord Jesus in fully welcoming everyone into community. We seek to provide a place of true sanctuary in a world that too often offers judgment instead of grace and exclusion rather than embrace. As a Reconciling In Christ congregation, we rejoice to fully welcome LGBTQIA folks. We celebrate racial and ethnic diversity as a gift to the community. We seek to include those who are dealing with physical challenges and developmental disabilities. Beyond all this, we happily include people wherever they are on their faith journey, including seekers with deep doubts and questions, those who are new to the faith, and seasoned long-time believers.

In short, we believe that when Jesus commanded his followers to share the Gospel with ALL people – he meant it! Welcome!

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### *Seventh Sunday of Easter*

*May 21, 2023*

*9:30 am*

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**ELCA**

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**Transforming lives by living the Gospel of Jesus Christ**



**Hearing Loop System in our Sanctuary....**The Hearing Loop System in our Sanctuary allows for direct broadcast of the worship service to your hearing aid. We have two direct reception headsets available for those who have non-T-coil equipped hearing aids or no hearing aid at all. Our ushers are happy to assist you. We hope this enhancement is a blessing to you.

**JOIN US FOR ONLINE WORSHIP**

We continue to live-stream all of our services.

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**Gathering**

*The Holy Spirit gathers us in unity on the first day  
of the week, the day of Christ's resurrection.*

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**Prelude**

**Word of Welcome**

**Thanksgiving for Baptism:** *(Stand as you are able)*

*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, by whose hand we are given new birth, by whose speaking we are given new life.

**C** **Amen.**

**P** Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are welcomed, restored, and supported as citizens of the new creation. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

Holy God, holy and merciful, holy and mighty, you are the river of life, you are the everlasting wellspring.

In mercy and might you have freed us from death and raised us with Jesus, the firstborn of the dead.

In baptismal waters our old life is washed away, and in them we are born anew.

*Water may be poured into the font as the presiding minister continues.*

Glory to you for oceans and lakes, for rivers and streams.

Honor to you for waters that wash us clean,

quench our thirst, and nurture both crops and creatures.

Praise to you for the life-giving water of baptism,

the outpouring of the Spirit of the new creation.

Wash away our sin and all that separates us from you. Empower our witness to your resurrection.

Strengthen our resolve in seeking justice for all.

Satisfy the world's need through this living water.

Where drought dries the earth, bring refreshment.

Where despair prevails, grant hope.

Where chaos reigns, bring peace.

We ask this through Christ, who with you and the Spirit reigns forever.

**C** **Amen**

Gathering Song: ACS 956..... "Born, Reborn"

*Refrain*

Born, re - born! Born, re - born! Formed, re - formed!

Souls with glad - ness now a - dorned! Born, re - born! Born, re - born!

Formed, re - formed! Praise our God for - ev - er - more!

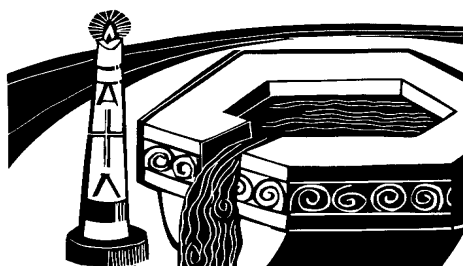
1 Drown us. Drown us. Raise us. Raise us.  
2 Name us. Name us. Heal us. Heal us.

Mark us. Mark us. Claim us! Claim us!  
Wash us. Wash us. Seal us! Seal us!

Text: Justin Rimbo, b. 1980  
Music: BORN, REBORN, Justin Rimbo  
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**Greeting:**

- P Alleluia! Christ is risen!
- C **Christ is risen, indeed! Alleluia!**
- P The grace of our risen Savior, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C **And also with you.**



Kyrie:

**Refrain**

*Assistant:* *Congregation:*

In peace, in peace, let us pray to the Lord, have mer-cy,

Christ, have mer - cy, Lord, have mer - cy. *to Verses*

*Assistant:* For the Reign of God, and for peace throughout the world, for the unity of all . . . (to Refrain)

*Assistant:* For your people here, who have come to give you praise, for the strength to live your Word . . . (to Refrain)

*Assistant:*

Help, save and de - fend us, O

*Congregation:*

God. A - men.

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Canticle of Praise:

*Refrain*



Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion, all of cre - a - tion



sings for joy to the God of life and love and free-dom;




praise and glo - ry for - ev - er - more!



1 Now is the feast of the Lamb once slain, whose blood has



freed and u - nit-ed us to be one great peo-ple of God.



2 Pow - er and rich-es, wis-dom and might, all hon - or and



glo - ry to Christ for - ev - er.



3 For God has come to dwell with us, to make us peo-ple of



God; to make all things new.

**Prayer of the Day:**

**P** O God of glory, your Son, Jesus Christ suffered for us and ascended to your right hand. Unite us with Christ and each other in suffering and in joy, that all the world may be drawn into your bountiful presence, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

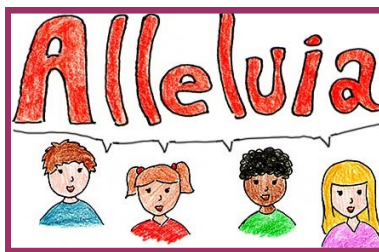
**C** **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

**Word**

*God speaks to us in scriptures read, sung and preached.*

**Word for the Children**



**Anthem:** “One in Your Name” .....Callanan  
Spirit Ensemble

**Reading: Acts 1:3-11 (CEV)**  
*Today’s reading is part of the introduction to the narrative of the outpouring of the Spirit on Pentecost. These verses tell of the risen Lord’s conversation with his disciples on the eve of his ascension, in which he promises that they will receive the power of the Holy Spirit.*

For 40 days after Jesus had suffered and died, he proved in many ways that he had been raised from death. He appeared to his apostles and spoke to them about God's kingdom. <sup>4</sup> While he was still with them, he said: Don't leave Jerusalem yet. Wait here for the Father to give you the Holy Spirit, just as I told you he has promised to do. <sup>5</sup> John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit. <sup>6</sup> While the apostles were still with Jesus, they asked him, “Lord, are you now going to give Israel its own king again?”<sup>[b]</sup> <sup>7</sup> Jesus said to them, “You don't need to know the time of those events that only the Father controls. <sup>8</sup> But the Holy Spirit will come upon you and give you power. Then you will tell everyone about me in Jerusalem, in all Judea, in Samaria, and everywhere in the world.” <sup>9</sup> After Jesus had said this and while they were watching, he was taken up into a cloud. They could not see him, <sup>10</sup> but as he went up, they kept looking up into the sky. Suddenly two men dressed in white clothes were standing there beside them. <sup>11</sup> They said, “Why are you men from Galilee standing here and looking up into the sky? Jesus has been taken to heaven. But he will come back in the same way you have seen him go.”

**L** Word of God, word of life.

**C** **Thanks be to God!**

*Brief silence for reflection on the Word.*

**Gospel Acclamation: (Stand)**

*Congregation:*

Al-le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we  
go? You have the words of e - ter - nal  
life. Al - le - lu - ia! *Optional Repeat*

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**P** The holy Gospel according to John, the 17th chapter.  
**C** **Glory to you, O Lord.**

**Gospel: John 17:1b-11 (CEV)**

*On the night before his crucifixion, Jesus prays to his heavenly Father, asking that those who continue his work in this world will live in unity.*

Father, the time has come for you to bring glory to your Son, in order that he may bring glory to you. <sup>2</sup> And you gave him power over all people, so he would give eternal life to everyone you give him. <sup>3</sup> Eternal life is to know you, the only true God, and to know the Messiah, the one you sent. <sup>4</sup> I have brought glory to you here on earth by doing everything you gave me to do. <sup>5</sup> Now, Father, give me back the glory I had with you before the world was created.

<sup>6</sup> You have given me some followers from this world, and I have shown them what you are like. They were (already) yours, but you gave them to me, and they have obeyed you. <sup>7</sup> They know that you gave me everything I have. <sup>8</sup> I told my followers what you told me, and they accepted it. They know I came from you, and they believe you are the one who sent me. <sup>9</sup> I am praying for them, but not for those who belong to this world. My followers belong to you, and I am praying for them. <sup>10</sup> All I have is yours, and all you have is mine, and they will bring glory to me.

<sup>11</sup> Holy Father, I am no longer in the world. I am coming to you, but my followers are still in the world. So keep them safe by the power of the name you have given me. Then they will be one with each other, just as you and I are one.

**P** The Gospel of the Lord.  
**C** **Thanks be to God!**

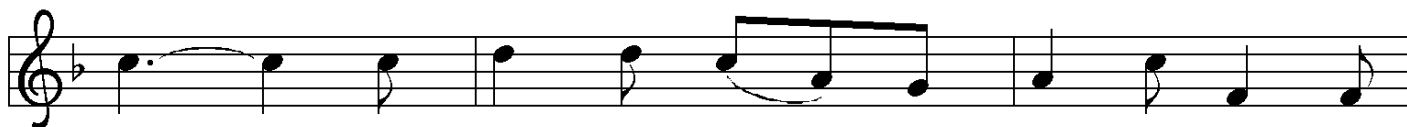
*Please be seated.*

**Sermon**

Rev. Kelley Nieman Anderson



1 I come with joy, a child of God, for - giv - en, loved, and  
 2 I come with Chris - tians far and near to find, as all are  
 3 As Christ breaks bread, and bids us share, each proud di - vi - sion  
 4 The Spir - it of the ris - en Christ, un - seen, but ev - er  
 5 To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound by all that God has



free, the life of Je - sus to re - call in  
 fed, the new com - mu - ni - ty of love in  
 ends. The love that made us, makes us one, and  
 near, is in such friend - ship bet - ter known, a -  
 done, we'll go with joy, to give the world the



love laid down for me, in love laid down for me.  
 Christ's com - mu - nion bread, in Christ's com - mu - nion bread.  
 strang - ers now are friends, and strang - ers now are friends.  
 live a - mong us here, a - live a - mong us here.  
 love that makes us one, the love that makes us one.

Text: Brian A. Wren, b. 1936

Music: DOVE OF PEACE, W. Walker, *Southern Harmony*, 1835

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### Apostles' Creed:

**C I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian church, the communion of saints, The forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**



**Prayers of Intercession:**

P United in the hope and joy of the resurrection, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

*A brief silence.*

*After each petition:*

P Hear us, O God.  
C **Your mercy is great.**

*The prayers conclude:*

P Rejoicing in the victory of Christ’s resurrection, we lift our prayers and praise to you, almighty and eternal God; through Jesus Christ our risen Lord.  
C **Amen.**

**Peace**



*Please be seated.*



*God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.*

**Offering**

Raised to new life, filled with the Holy Spirit, and gifted richly by God, we respond with joy and thanksgiving for all that God has first given us.

If you’re worshipping in person today, you may leave your offering in the wood box in the Narthex.

If you are joining us virtually, you may share your offerings by mailing your checks to the church office or by using your bank’s bill-pay system. If you would rather, you can use our Vanco online giving option.

Here’s the link to the secure site: [bit.ly/TLCgives22](http://bit.ly/TLCgives22)

However it is that you share your offerings, we thank you for your faithful financial support of the ministry we share!



**Offertory:** *“Like the Murmur of the Dove’s Song”* ..... Words by Carl P. Daw, Jr, Setting by Robert Lau

Choir

*Text:* Like the murmur of the dove's song, like the challenge of her flight,  
like the vigor of the wind's rush, like the new flame's eager might:  
Come, Holy Spirit, come.

To the members of Christ's body, to the branches of the Vine,  
to the Church in faith assembled, to her midst as gift and sign:  
Come, Holy Spirit, come.

With the healing of division, with the ceaseless voice of prayer,  
with the power to love and witness, with the peace beyond compare:  
Come, Holy Spirit, come.

Setting the Table: (Stand)

Refrain

*Congregation:*



As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were



gath-ered in - to one to be - come our bread;



so may all your peo - ple from all the ends of earth be



gath-ered in - to one in you.

Verses



1. As this cup of bless - ing is shared with - in our midst, \_\_\_\_\_
2. Let this be a fore - taste of all that is to come when

*To refrain*



may we share the pres - ence of your love.  
all cre - a - tion shares this feast with you.

Offering Prayer:

- A Generous God, in this meal you offer your very self.  
We give thanks for these gifts of the earth.  
In the breaking of this bread reveal to us the Risen One.  
In the pouring of this wine pour us out in service to the world; through Christ our Lord.
- C Amen.

## Great Thanksgiving:

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them up to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

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, for the glorious resurrection of our Lord, Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin, who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and



might; Heav - en and earth are filled with your



glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est! Bless - ed is the



One who comes in your name. Ho - san - na in the



high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est!



## Thanksgiving at the Table:

P You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God. You are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory. You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but have eternal life.  
We give you thanks for his coming into the world to fulfill for us your holy will and to accomplish all things for our salvation.  
In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus 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 in 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 in remembrance of me."  
With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**C Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

P We await your promised life for this dying world.

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

P Breathe your Spirit on us and on this bread and cup. Carry us in your arms from death to life, that we may live as your chosen ones clothed in the righteousness of Christ.

**C Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.**

P Through him all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.

**C Amen.**

## The Lord's Prayer

Please pray the version that speaks to you.

*(Traditional version)*

**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.**

*(Ecumenical version)*

**Our Father in heaven,  
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.**

## Invitation to Communion

We rejoice to share this holy meal with all baptized believers.  
Children not yet receiving communion are invited to come forward to receive a blessing.

*Please be seated.*



### We invite worshippers to come forward for communion.

For those who prefer to remain in the pew, individual communion sets containing grape juice are available in the narthex as people enter.

Pastor will distribute the bread and a deacon will be distributing the wine in individual, recyclable plastic cups.

*(Communicants will take a cup from the tray and will dispose of it in the basket provided before returning to their seat.)*

Come forward via the center aisle at the direction of the usher, and return to your seats using the aisle on the east side of the sanctuary.

**Gluten free wafers** are available. **Grape juice** is located in the inner circle of the tray.

### Lamb of God:



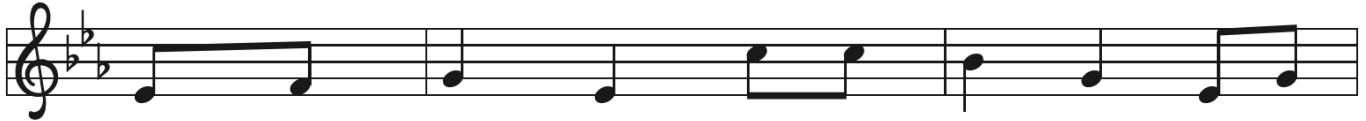
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world: have mer - cy on us, mer - cy on us,  
mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you  
take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace,  
grant us peace, grant us peace.

Music during Communion:

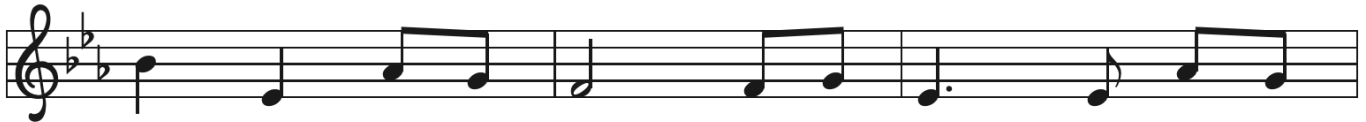
Solo: "I Know That My Redeemer Liveth"..... Handel

Francine Markwell

ACS 966....."Loaves Were broken, Words Were Spoken"



1 Loaves were bro - ken, words were spo - ken by the  
2 Loaves were bro - ken, words were spo - ken in a  
3 Loaves are bro - ken, words are spo - ken, as in  
4 By the loaves you break and give us, send us



Gal - i - le - an shore. Je - sus, Bread of life from  
qui - et room one night. In the bread and wine you  
faith we gath - er here. Je - sus speaks a - cross the  
in your name to share bread for which the mil - lions

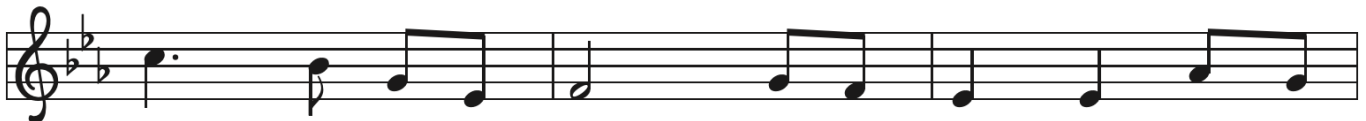


heav - en, was their food for - ev - er - more.  
gave them, Christ, you came as Light from Light.  
a - ges: "I am with you; do not fear!"  
hun - ger, words that tell your love and care.

*Refrain*



By your bod - y bro - ken for us, by your



wine of life out - poured, Je - sus, feed a - gain your



peo - ple. Be our Host, our Life, our Lord.

## Prayer after Communion

- A We give you thanks, generous God, for in this bread and cup we have tasted the new heaven and earth, where hunger and thirst are no more. Send us from this table as witnesses to the resurrection that through our lives, all may know life in Jesus' name.
- C Amen.

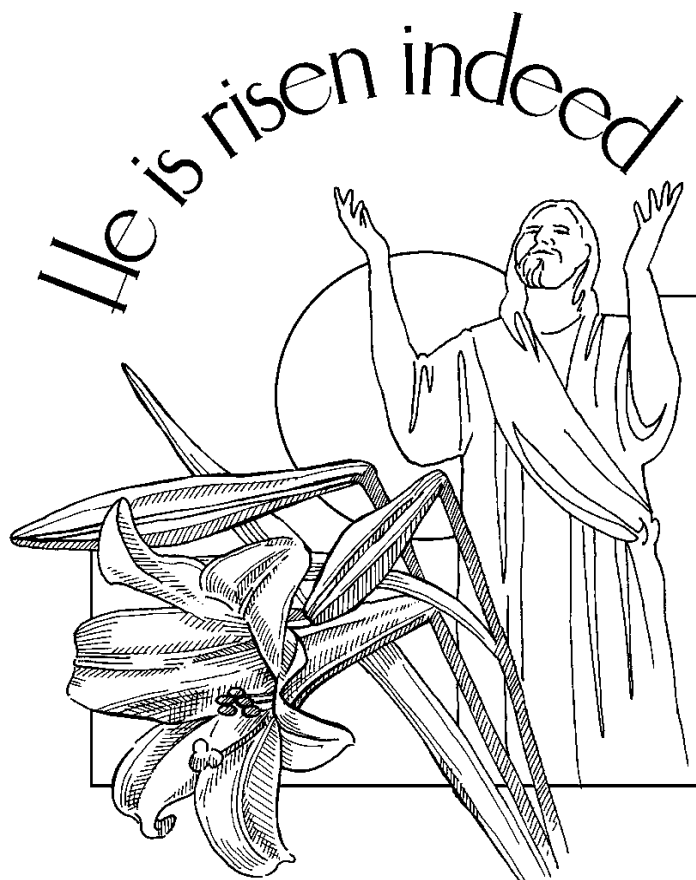
## Sending

*The triune God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.*

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*Stand as you are able.*

- P The God of all, who raised † Jesus from the dead, bless you by the power of the Holy Spirit to live in the new creation.
- C Amen.





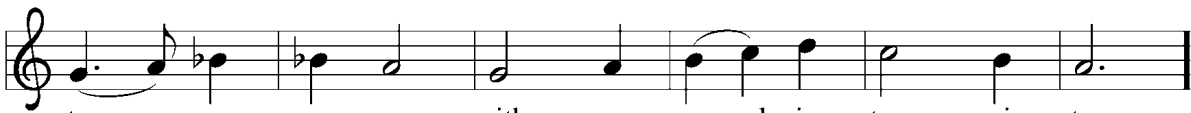
1 Lord, you give the great com - mis - sion: "Heal the sick and  
 2 Lord, you call us to your ser - vice: "In my name bap -  
 3 Lord, you make the com - mon ho - ly: "This my bod - y,  
 4 Lord, you show us love's true mea - sure: "Fa - ther, what they  
 5 Lord, you bless with words as - sur - ing: "I am with you



preach the word." Lest the church ne - glect its mis - sion,  
 tize and teach." That the world may trust your prom - ise,  
 this my blood." Let us all, for earth's true glo - ry,  
 do, for - give." Yet we hoard as pri - vate trea - sure  
 to the end." Faith and hope and love re - stor - ing,



and the gos - pel go un - heard, help us wit - ness  
 life a - bun - dant meant for each, give us all new  
 dai - ly lift life heav - en - ward, ask - ing that the  
 all that you so free - ly give. May your care and  
 may we serve as you in - tend and, a - mid the



to your pur - pose with re - newed in - teg - ri - ty:  
 fer - vor, draw us clos - er in com - mu - ni - ty:  
 world a - round us share your chil - dren's lib - er - ty:  
 mer - cy lead us to a just so - ci - e - ty:  
 cares that claim us, hold in mind e - ter - ni - ty:



*Refrain*  
 With the Spir - it's gifts em - pow'r us for the work of min - is - try.

**Dismissal:**

- A Go in peace. Serve the Risen One.
- C **Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude**