Transfiguration Episcopal Church

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost
Holy Eucharist with Choir
October 11, 2026 - 10:30am

Voluntary
Please Stand

Opening Hymn **All Are Welcome vs. 1, 2**

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Tune: TWO OAKS, 9 6 8 6 8 7 10 with refrain; Marty Haugen, b. 1950
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Opening Acclamation

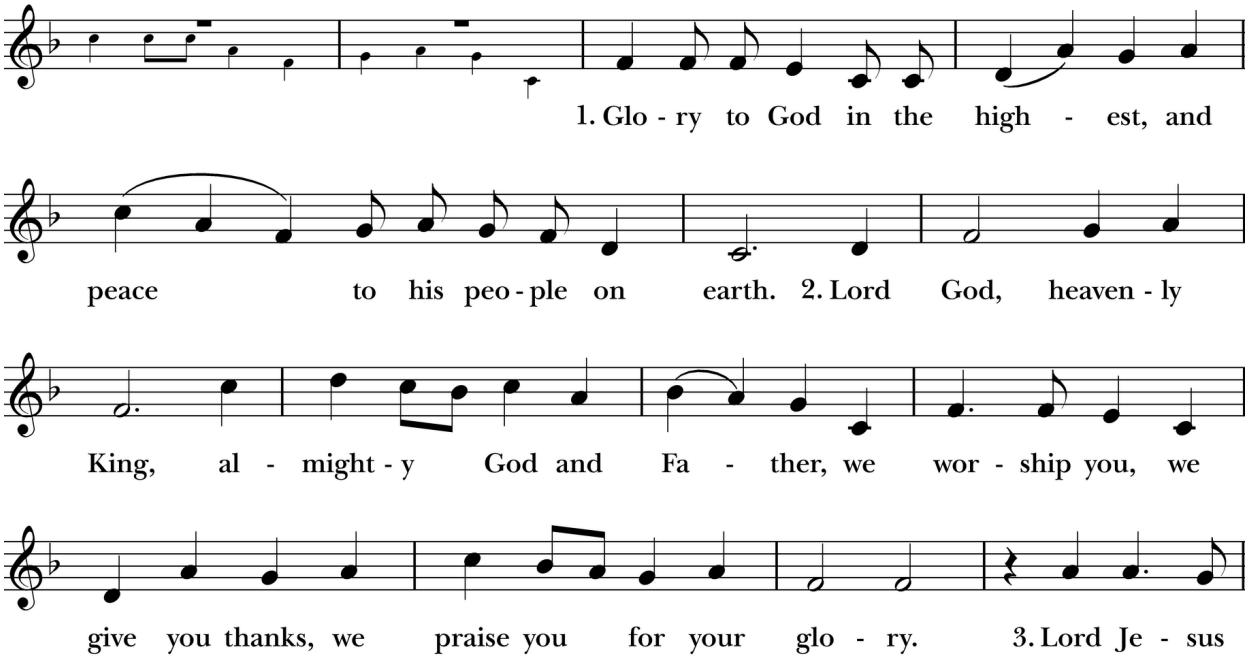
Presider Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.
People **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

The Collect for Purity

Presider God be with you
People **And also with you.**
Presider Let us pray together

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen

Glory to God S 280



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The Collect of the Day

Presider God be with you
People **And also with you**
Presider Let us pray

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

The Word of God

Please be seated

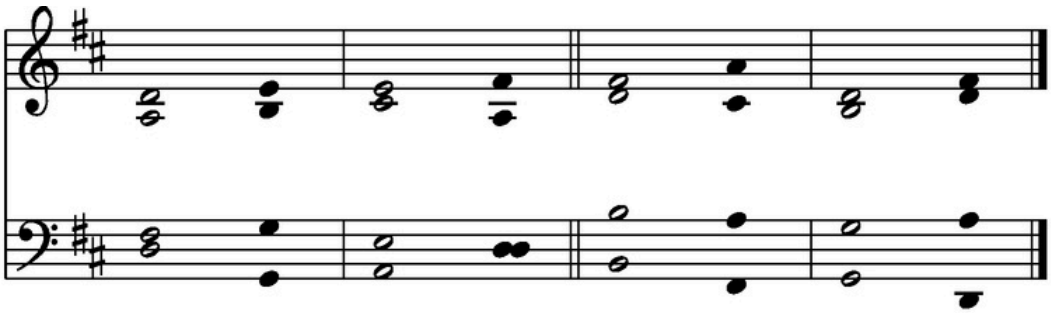
The First Reading **Isaiah 25:1-9**

O Lord, you are my God;
I will exalt you, I will praise your name;
for you have done wonderful things,
plans formed of old, faithful and sure.
For you have made the city a heap,
the fortified city a ruin;
the palace of aliens is a city no more,
it will never be rebuilt.
Therefore strong peoples will glorify you;
cities of ruthless nations will fear you.
For you have been a refuge to the poor,
a refuge to the needy in their distress,
a shelter from the rainstorm and a shade from the heat.
When the blast of the ruthless was like a winter rainstorm,
the noise of aliens like heat in a dry place,
you subdued the heat with the shade of clouds;
the song of the ruthless was stilled.
On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples
a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines,
of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear.
And he will destroy on this mountain
the shroud that is cast over all peoples,
the sheet that is spread over all nations;
he will swallow up death forever.
Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces,
and the disgrace of his people he will take away fro mall the earth,
for the Lord has spoken.
It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us.

This is the Lord for whom we have waited;
let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
Thanks be to God

The Psalm 23



The Lord is my shepherd;
I shall not be in want.
He makes me lie down in green pastures
and leads me beside still waters.

He revives my soul
and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.
Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I shall fear no evil;
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me;
you have anointed my head with oil,
and my cup is running over.
Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

The Second Reading **Philippians 4:1-9**

My brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life.

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
Thanks be to God.

Please stand

Gospel Acclamation **Celtic Alleluia**

Refrain, sung by all

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The Gospel **Matthew 22:1-14**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
Glory to you, Christ.

Once more Jesus spoke to the people in parables, saying: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, 'Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.' But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, 'The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.' Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

"But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?' And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' For many are called, but few are chosen."

The Gospel of our Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon **The Rev. Jennifer Hornbeck**

A period of silence is kept.

Affirmation of Faith **From New Zealand Prayer Book**

The people stand as they are able as we say together

You, O God, are supreme and holy.
You create our world and give us life.
Your purpose overarches everything we do.
You have always been with us.
You are God.
You, O God, are infinitely generous,
good beyond all measure.
You came to us before we came to you.
You have revealed and proved
your love for us in Jesus Christ,
who lived and died and rose again.
You are with us now.
You are God.
You, O God, are Holy Spirit.
You empower us to be your gospel in the world.
You reconcile and heal; you overcome death.
You are our God. We worship you. Amen.

Prayers of the People

In the course of the silence after each bidding, the people offer their prayers, either silently or aloud.

Leader I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world;
for our Bishop Austin; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people.
Pray for the Church.

Silence

Leader I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people.
Pray for justice and peace.

Silence

Leader I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison.
Pray for those in any need or trouble.

Silence

Leader I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of God.
Pray that they may find and be found by God.

Silence

Leader I ask your prayers for the departed, especially those you might name at this time.
Pray for those who have died.

Members of the congregation may ask the prayers or the thanksgivings of those present.

Leader I ask your prayers for those you may name.

Leader I ask your thanksgiving for those you may name.

Leader Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored, especially whom we remember today.
Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

Silence

Presider
O God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Creator, Redeemer, and Sanctifier, now and for ever. **Amen**

Confession of Sin

Presider
Let us confess our sins to God.

Presider and People
Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
we have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Absolution

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all you sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace

Presider The peace of God be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

The Minister and People may greet one another in the name of God.

Blessings and Announcements

The Holy Communion

The presider says

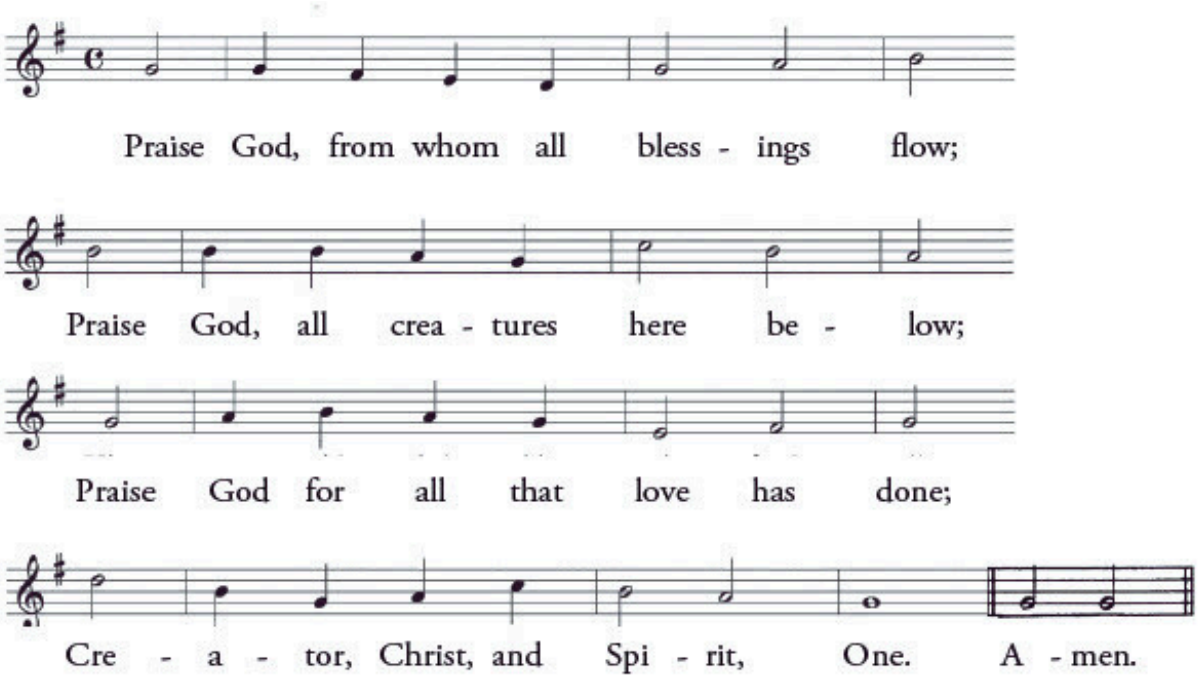
Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to God.

Offertory Anthem **Teach Me, O Lord**
By Thomas Attwood

Duet
Cheryl Blalock - Soprano
Gari Patton - Alto

Please stand as able

Doxology **Old Hundredth**



The Great Thanksgiving

Presider God be with you.
People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them up to God.**

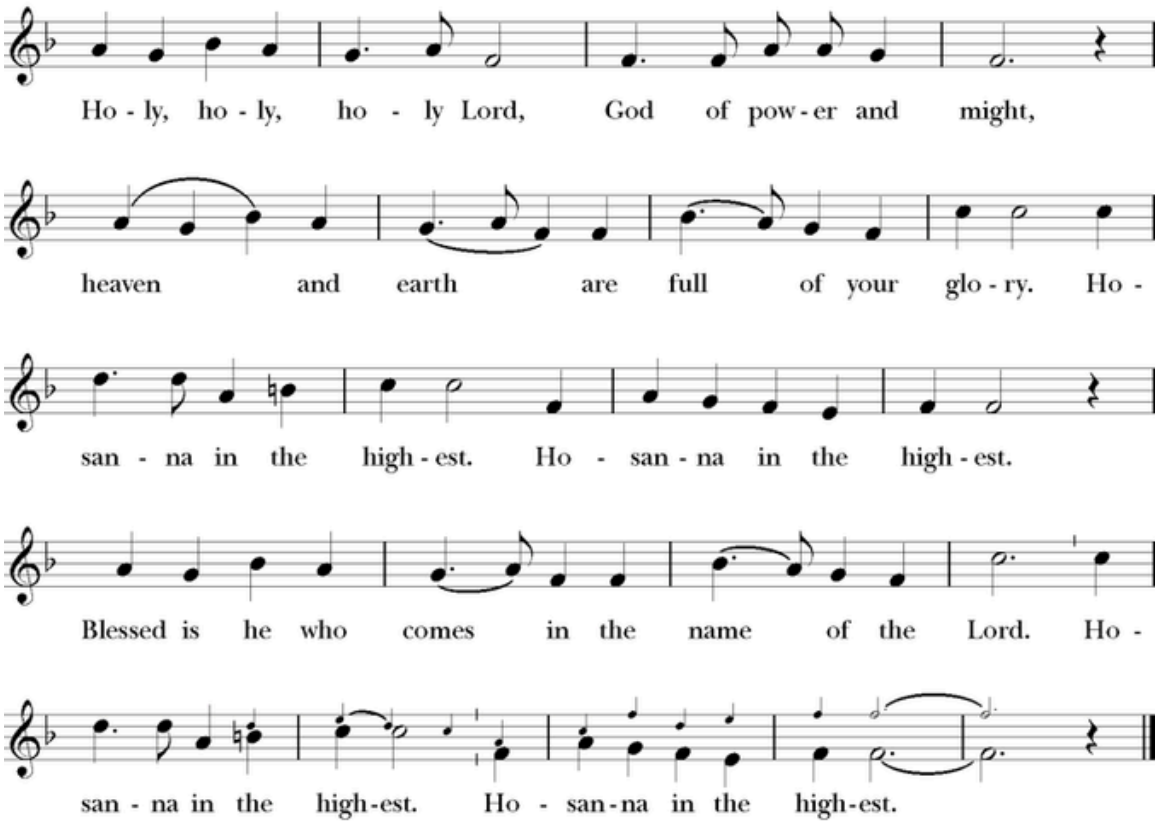
Presider Let us give thanks unto our God.
People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Presider

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a parent cares for their children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love.

And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

Holy, holy, holy S 125 **by Richard Prouix**



The Presider continues

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at the table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them and said: “Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us with all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

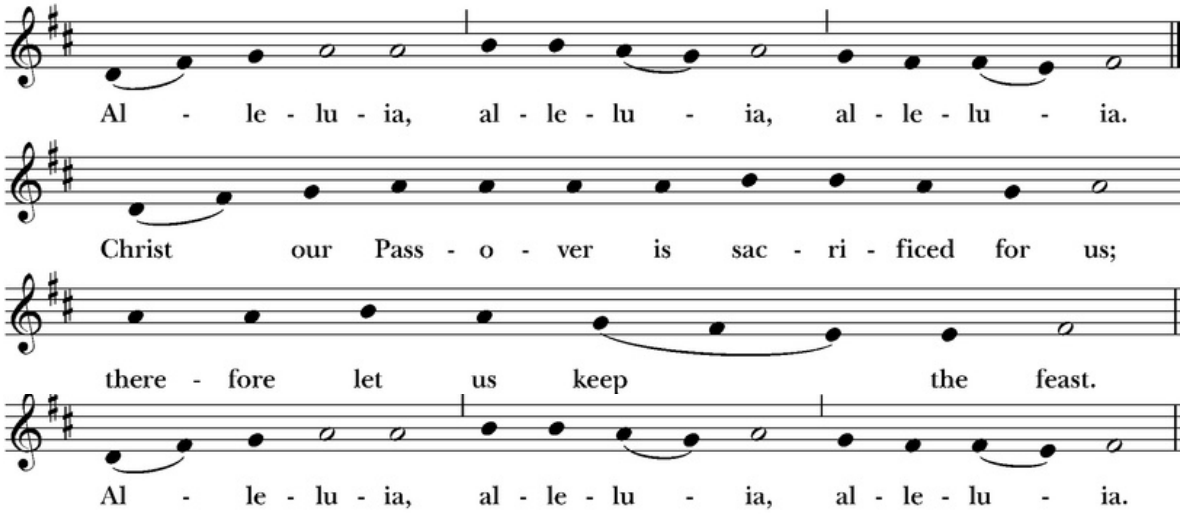
Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Presider

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now 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,
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
for ever and ever. Amen

The Breaking of the Bread
A period of silence is kept.

Fraction Anthem S 154 **Christ our Passover by David Hurd**



Presider

The Gifts of God for the People of God.
Whenever you find yourself on your spiritual journey, you are welcome to share Communion (or receive a blessing in which case, please cross your arms in front of your chest as a sign to the minister). If you need gluten-free bread, it will be provided. We have returned to the common cup, which is optional. Please refrain from intimating (dipping bread in the wine).

Communion Hymn **As We Gather at Your Table (Raquel)**

As we gather at our Table,
as we listen to your Word,
Help us know, O God, your presence;
let our hearts and minds be stirred.
Nourish us with sacred story
till we claim it as our own;
teach through this holy banquet
how to make Love's vict'ry known.

Turn our worship into witness
in the sacrament of life;
send us forth to love and serve you,
bringing peace where there is strife.
Give us, Christ, your great compassion
to forgive as you forgave;
may we still behold your image
in the world you died to save.

Gracious Spirit, help us summon
other guests to share that Feast
where triumphant Love will welcome
those who had been last and least.
There no more wil envy blind us
nor will pride our peace destroy,
as we join with saints and angels
ro repeat the sounding joy.

Carl P. Daw, Jr. (B. 1944)

Post Communion Prayer

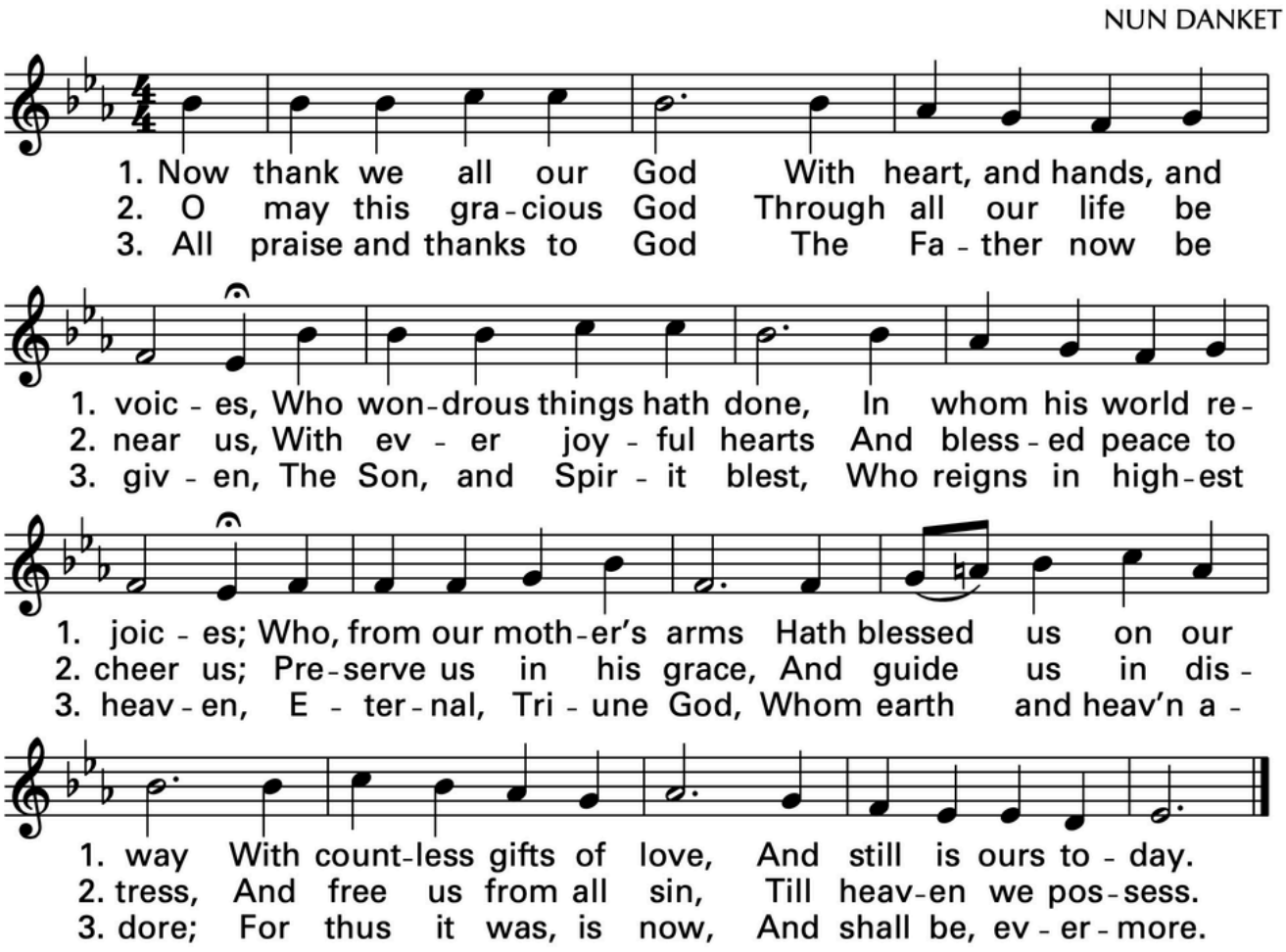
All stand as they are able

Presider and People

Eternal God,
you have graciously accepted us
as living members of our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Savior. Amen

The Blessing

Final Hymn **Now Thank We All Are God**



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Dismissal

Presider Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.
People **Thanks be to God.**

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Acolytes	Anna Charles
Greeters/Ushers	Bob Adams
Coffee Hour	The Fox Family
Livestream Tech	Tim Fox and Mike Robinson

Please join us for coffee hour in the Redwood Room following the service.
All are welcome.

Announcements

Birthdays This Week

Oct 6 - Betsy Robinson
Oct 13 - Matt Longnecker
Oct 15 - Kaari Chard
Oct 15 - Adam Ryan
Oct 16 - Monroe Duquette