

LIVE A LIFE OF STARTLING GENEROSITY



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# BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR

## LUTHERAN CHURCH

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9:00 AM	Adult Bible Class Sunday School	<b>Pastor Scott Mews</b> (503) 793-4328 scott.mews@gmail.com
10:00 AM	Worship Service	

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*Beautiful Savior practices close communion. This means that biblical conversation with our church and a unified confession of faith take place beforehand. It is our desire to share in the eternal blessings of this Sacrament according to the instructions that God himself gives. For a further explanation, contact Pastor Mews at any time.*

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### A PERSONAL PRAYER **BEFORE** COMMUNION

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Lord, I am not worthy to be a guest at your holy table. But you are the friend of sinners, and you will not cast me out. This bread is your body, which bore my sins upon the tree. This wine is your blood, which purifies me from all guilt. At your invitation, I come rejoicing. Receive me, my Savior. Amen.

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### A PERSONAL PRAYER **AFTER** COMMUNION

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Thank you, Lord Jesus Christ, for nourishing me in this sacrament with your body and blood. You have given me forgiveness, life, and salvation. Let me always remain in you as a branch remains in the vine. Send me out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

## WELCOME!

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Thank you for joining us for worship this morning. Our service is centered on our **Beautiful Savior**, Jesus Christ, who lived, died, and rose from the dead so that we have eternal life in him. God reveals this soul-saving message in the Holy Scriptures. This morning we gather to find strength through God's powerful and holy Word. Please let us know how we can best serve you and your family!

**RESTROOMS** Located through the double doors at the end of the sanctuary.

**CHILDREN** We value having children in worship. Coloring supplies are on the round table behind the last row of chairs. If you or your children need a moment, please feel free to make use of our Fellowship Hall at the north end of the sanctuary. Sounds of the service can be heard through speakers in that room.

**MATERIALS** The entire service is printed in this worship folder.

## OUR THEME FOR TODAY

Live a Life of Startling Generosity

## WORSHIP NOTES: 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

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Perhaps you have heard the axiom, "Eat, drink, and be merry, for tomorrow we die." In other words, while you still can, use what you have in order to enjoy life to the fullest. If this life is all there is, St. Paul agrees that would be a good philosophy. Paul wrote, "If the dead are not raised, 'Let us eat and drink, for tomorrow we die'" (1 Corinthians 15:32).

However, note the "if." Paul was saying that the epicurean approach to life makes sense only if this life is all we have. But it isn't. Jesus will raise us from the dead and take us to live in his home, a place of perfect comfort and beauty. Knowing that, we are set free from the need to live a self-indulgent life now. Instead, we can be generous people, using the wealth that God has given us to serve both him and others. We can live a life of startling generosity.

# 501 Evening and Morning

CW 501



1 Eve-ning and morn - ing, sun - set and dawn - ing, wealth, peace, and  
 2 Fa - ther, O hear me, par-don and spare me; calm all my  
 3 Ills that still grieve me soon are to leave me; though bil - lows  
 4 With joy - ful sing - ing let us be bring - ing to God in



glad - ness, com - fort in sad - ness: these are the works of your  
 ter - rors, blot out my er - rors that by your eyes they may  
 tow - er, and winds gain pow - er, af - ter the storm the fair  
 heav - en all we've been giv - en, of - fered as gifts our Cre -



glo - ry di - vine. Times with - out num - ber, a - wake or in  
 no more be scanned. Or - der my go - ings, di - rect all my  
 sun shows its face. Joys e'er in - creas - ing and peace nev - er  
 a - tor will prize. Our best pos - ses - sions are thank - ful ex -



slum - ber, your eye ob - serves us, from dan - ger pre -  
 do - ings; guard me and guide me, stay close - ly be -  
 ceas - ing: these shall I trea - sure and share in full  
 pres - sions: hymns that a - dore him, our wor - ship be -



serves us, caus - ing your mer - cy up - on us to shine.  
 side me; all I com - mit to your fa - ther - ly hand.  
 mea - sure when in his man - sions God grants me a place.  
 fore him— all to his throne like sweet in - cense a - rise.

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Stand

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

## **Confession**

CW 188

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.  
**If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just  
and will forgive us our sins  
and purify us from all unrighteousness.**

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

**Holy God, gracious Father,**

**I am sinful by nature**

**and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.**

**I have not loved you with my whole heart;**

**I have not loved others as I should.**

**I deserve your punishment both now and forever.**

**But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins**

**with his innocent suffering and death.**

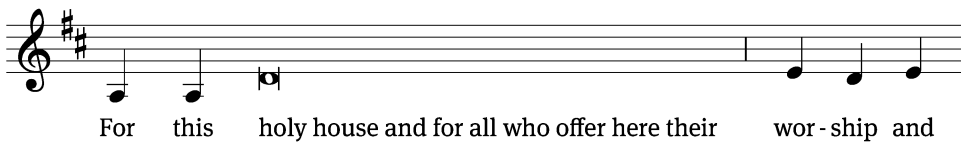
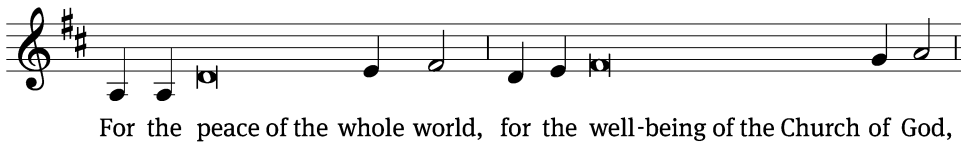
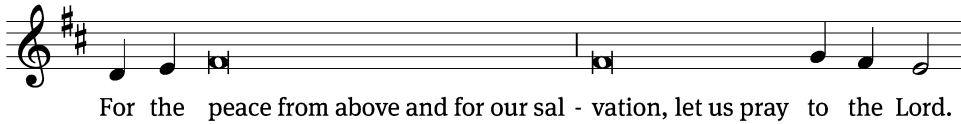
**Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

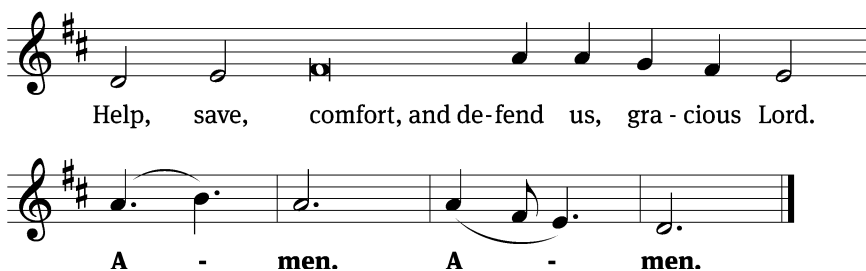
*Silence for meditation and reflection*

Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. 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.**

# Lord, Have Mercy

CW 190





Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra - cious Lord.

A - men. A - men.

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## Glory to God in the Highest

CW 191



Glo - ry to God in the high - est, glo - ry to

God, and peace to his peo - ple on earth,

and peace to his peo - ple on earth.

Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and

Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we

praise you for your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly

Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,

you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on

us. You are seat - ed at the right hand of the

Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer. For

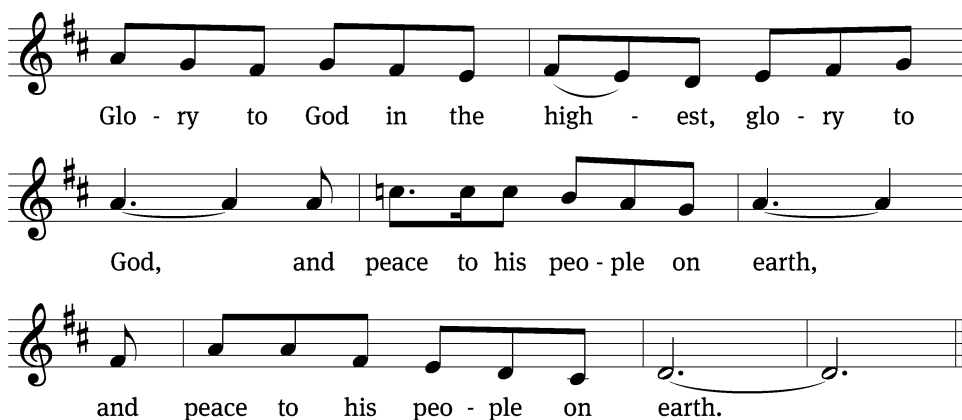
you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the

Lord, you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus

Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it in the

glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.





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## The Word

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

## Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Almighty and ever-living God, you have given exceedingly great and precious promises to those who trust in you. Grant us so firmly to believe in your Son Jesus that our faith may never be found wanting; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

*Be seated*

## First Reading

1 Kings 17:8–16

<sup>8</sup>Then the word of the LORD came to him: <sup>9</sup>“Go at once to Zarephath in the region of Sidon and stay there. I have directed a widow there to supply you with food.” <sup>10</sup>So he went to Zarephath. When he came to the town gate, a widow was there gathering sticks. He called to her and asked, “Would you bring me a little water in a jar so I may have a drink?” <sup>11</sup>As she was going to get it, he called, “And bring me, please, a piece of bread.”

<sup>12</sup>“As surely as the LORD your God lives,” she replied, “I don’t have any bread—only a handful of flour in a jar and a little olive oil in a jug. I am gathering a few sticks to take home and make a meal for myself and my son, that we may eat it—and die.”

<sup>13</sup>Elijah said to her, “Don’t be afraid. Go home and do as you have said. But first make a small loaf of bread for me from what you have and bring it to me, and then make something for yourself and your son. <sup>14</sup>For this is what the LORD, the God of Israel, says: ‘The jar of flour will not be used up and the jug of oil will not run dry until the day the LORD sends rain on the land.’ ”

<sup>15</sup>She went away and did as Elijah had told her. So there was food every day for Elijah and for the woman and her family. <sup>16</sup>For the jar of flour was not used up and the jug of oil did not run dry, in keeping with the word of the LORD spoken by Elijah.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

# 111A LORD, I Must Praise You

Psalm 111A



1 LORD, I must praise you when I stand in won - der at your  
2 Noth - ing but good you give to those who fear you; ev - er  
3 You sent your peo - ple long - de - sired sal - va - tion, mak - ing



might - y works and splen - dor. There is no oth - er God, no  
near those who re - vere you. To you the hun - gry come for  
us a bless - ed na - tion. You are the rock: on you our



one a - bove you, yet so close to those who love you.  
dai - ly feed - ing, and the poor for jus - tice plead - ing.  
hopes are found - ed; safe we dwell, by love sur - round - ed.



O Lord, have mer - cy! All your works de - clare your maj - es - ty  
O Lord, have mer - cy! All your deeds are hon - est and sin - cere;  
O Lord, have mer - cy! Make us wise to fol - low in your ways,



in an end - less grand dox - ol - o - gy; e - ven more would I praise  
all your vows as true as they ap - pear. Per - fect love, rar - est kind,  
and re - ceive our sac - ri - fice of praise. We are yours, yours to use



your com - pas - sion, love, and grace. O Lord, have mer - cy!  
all I need in you I find. O Lord, have mer - cy!  
for your dream as you may choose. O Lord, have mer - cy!

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## Second Reading

2 Corinthians 8:1–9

<sup>1</sup>And now, brothers and sisters, we want you to know about the grace that God has given the Macedonian churches. <sup>2</sup>In the midst of a very severe trial, their overflowing joy and their extreme poverty welled up in rich generosity. <sup>3</sup>For I testify that they gave as much as they were able, and even beyond their ability. Entirely on their own, <sup>4</sup>they urgently pleaded with us for the privilege of sharing in this service to the Lord's people. <sup>5</sup>And they exceeded our expectations: They gave themselves first of all to the Lord, and then by the will of God also to us. <sup>6</sup>So we urged Titus, just as he had earlier made a beginning, to bring also to completion this act of grace on your part. <sup>7</sup>But since you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in complete earnestness and in the love we have kindled in you—see that you also excel in this grace of giving.

<sup>8</sup>I am not commanding you, but I want to test the sincerity of your love by comparing it with the earnestness of others. <sup>9</sup>For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you through his poverty might become rich.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Stand*

## Gospel Acclamation

## 2 Corinthians 9:11



## Refrain



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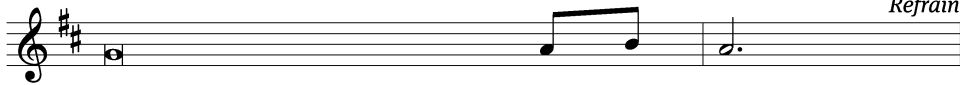


Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

### *Tone*



You will be enriched in ev - 'ry way



so that you can be generous on every oc - ca - sion.

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## **Gospel**

*Mark 12:38–44*

<sup>38</sup>As he taught, Jesus said, “Watch out for the teachers of the law. They like to walk around in flowing robes and be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, <sup>39</sup>and have the most important seats in the synagogues and the places of honor at banquets. <sup>40</sup>They devour widows’ houses and for a show make lengthy prayers. These men will be punished most severely.”

<sup>41</sup>Jesus sat down opposite the place where the offerings were put and watched the crowd putting their money into the temple treasury. Many rich people threw in large amounts. <sup>42</sup>But a poor widow came and put in two very small copper coins, worth only a few cents.

<sup>43</sup>Calling his disciples to him, Jesus said, “Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put more into the treasury than all the others. <sup>44</sup>They all gave out of their wealth; but she, out of her poverty, put in everything—all she had to live on.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise be to you, O Christ!**

*Be seated*

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# 807 All Depends on Our Possessing

CW 807



1 All de - pends on our pos - sess - ing God's a - bun - dant  
 2 He who to this day has fed me and to man - y  
 3 Man - y spend their lives in fret - ting o - ver tri - fles  
 4 When with sor - row I am strick - en, hope a - new my



grace and bless - ing, though all earth - ly wealth de - part.  
 joys has led me is and ev - er shall be mine.  
 and in get - ting things that have no sol - id ground.  
 heart will quick - en; all my long - ing shall be stilled.



They who trust with faith un - shak - en in their God are  
 He who ev - er gent - ly schools me, he who dai - ly  
 I shall strive to win a trea - sure that will bring me  
 To his lov - ing - kind - ness ten - der soul and bod - y



not for - sak - en and will keep a daunt - less heart.  
 guides and rules me, will re - main my help di - vine.  
 last - ing plea - sure and that now is sel - dom found.  
 I sur - ren - der, for on God a - lone I build.

5 Well he knows what best to  
 grant me; all the longing hopes  
 that haunt me,  
 joy and sorrow, have their day.  
 I shall doubt his wisdom never;  
 as God wills, so be it ever;  
 I commit to him my way.

6 If my days on earth he lengthen,  
 he my weary soul will  
 strengthen;  
 all my trust in him I place.  
 Earthly wealth is not abiding,  
 like a stream away is gliding;  
 safe I anchor in his grace.

## **Sermon**

### **Nicene Creed**

**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 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.**

## Prayer of the Church

*Brief intercessory prayers may be added in a fitting place.*

Loving God and Lord, you created the universe that surrounds us and the globe on which we live. You control all things through your Son, who sits at your right hand in glory.

**Comfort us with the promise of your eternal presence.**

Give your Word power as it works in our hearts and minds. Clear away our confusion, and demolish our doubts. Send your Spirit to strengthen both our confidence in your promises and our desire to live according to your will.

**Take away our love of sinning, and restore us each day by your grace.**

The signs of the times warn us that the end of time is near. Protect us from scoffers who sneer at your truth. Spare us and Christians around the world from all forms of hate and persecution.

**Give us courage to carry the cross with patience and joy.**

Instill in the hearts of our children a desire to follow you as they prepare for future days. Help them distinguish between what is passing and what is eternal, between instant thrills and lasting joy. Encourage more young people to prepare for service in the public ministry of the gospel.

**Mold us and move us to be good examples for our youth.**

Hold in your care, Lord, those who are experiencing physical or emotional pain and all who are afflicted by disease or facing death. [Especially bless . . . *here name the person and the cause of the petition.*] Pour out your compassion on the grieving, and comfort the mourners who miss someone they loved.

**Move us to pray for these brothers and sisters and to help when we can.**

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

*Silent prayer*

Whether we pray together or alone, you have promised to hear and answer us. Give us patience to accept your blessings in whatever way you send them. In



your love and wisdom, prepare us for the day when you will take us to be with you forever.

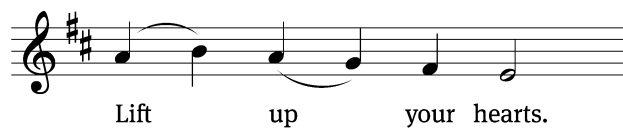
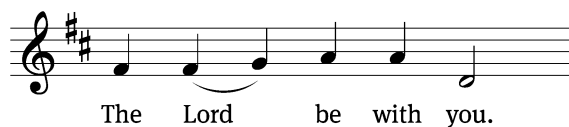
**Hear us for Jesus' sake. Amen.**

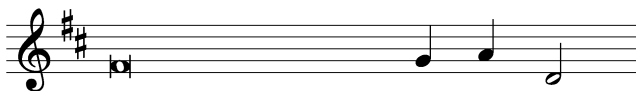
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# The Sacrament

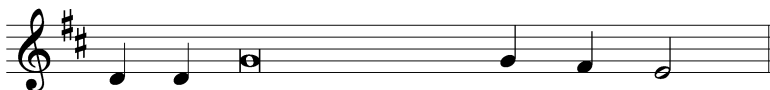
## Preface

CW 199





Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



**It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

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It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who promised that wherever two or three come together in his name, there he is with them to shepherd his flock until he comes again in glory. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

## Holy, Holy, Holy

CW 200



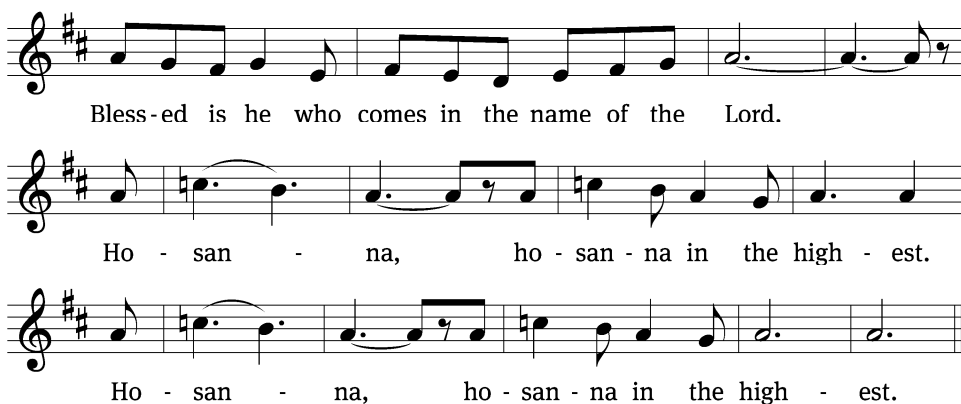
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of hosts,



heav - en and earth are full, full of your glo - ry.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.



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## Prayer of Thanksgiving

Blessed are you, Lord God, eternal King and gracious Father. In love you made us the crown of your creation. In mercy you planned our salvation. In grace you sent your Son to redeem us from sin.

We remember and give you thanks that your eternal Son, Jesus Christ, became flesh and made his dwelling among us, that he willingly placed himself under law to redeem those under law, that he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death on a cross, that he has destroyed death and has brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.

Bless us as we receive your Son's body and blood in this Sacrament. Forgive our sins, increase our faith, strengthen our fellowship, and deepen our longing for the day when Christ will welcome us to his eternal feast. Praise and thanks and honor and glory be to you, O God our Father, and to your Son and to the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## Lord's Prayer

**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.**

**Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever.  
Amen.**

## Words of Institution

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my + body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my + blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**Amen.**

## Lamb of God

CW 202

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the

world; have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the

world; have mer - cy on us.



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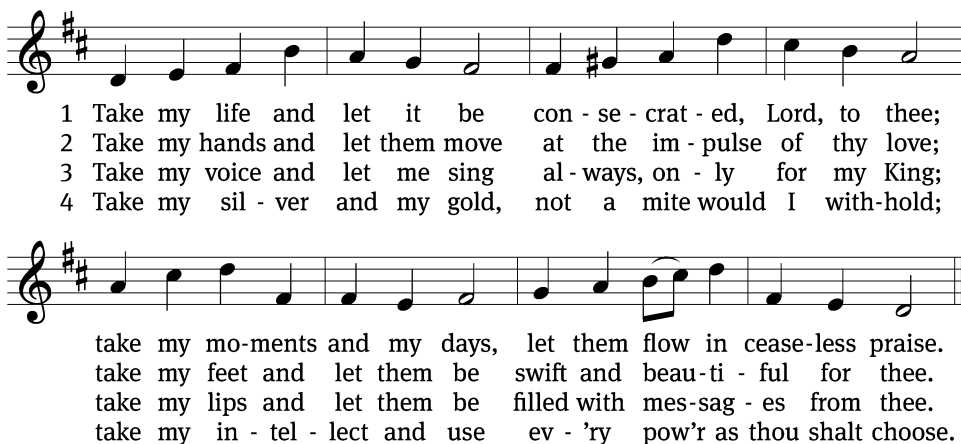
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*Be seated*

## Distribution

### 695 Take My Life and Let It Be

CW 695



5 Take my will and make it  
thine,  
it shall be no longer mine;  
take my heart, it is thine own,  
it shall be thy royal throne.

6 Take my love, my Lord, I pour  
at thy feet its treasure store;  
take myself, and I will be  
ever, only, all for thee.

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*Stand*

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;  
**his mercy endures forever.**

Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup,  
**we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.**

O God the Father, source of all goodness, in your loving-kindness you sent your Son to share our humanity. We thank you that through him you have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament. We also pray that you will not forsake us but will rule our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit so that we willingly serve you day after day; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## Blessing

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.

**Amen.**

## 568 His Robes for Mine

CW 568



- |   |                     |       |                 |              |
|---|---------------------|-------|-----------------|--------------|
| 1 | His robes for mine: | O     | won - der - ful | ex - change! |
| 2 | His robes for mine: | what  | cause have I    | for dread?   |
| 3 | His robes for mine: | God's | jus - tice is   | ap - peased. |
| 4 | His robes for mine: | such  | an - guish none | can know.    |



Clothed in my sin, Christ suf - fered 'neath God's rage.  
God's daunt-ing law Christ mas - tered in my stead.  
Je - sus is crushed, and thus the Fa - ther's pleased.  
Christ, God's be - loved, con - demned as though his foe.



Draped in his right - eous - ness, I'm jus - ti - fied.  
Fault - less I stand with right - eous works not mine,  
Christ drank God's wrath on sin, then cried, "Tis done!"  
He, as though I, ac - cursed and left a - lone;



In Christ I live, for in my place he died.  
saved by my Lord's vi - car - ious death and life.  
Sin's wage is paid, pro - pi - ti - a - tion won.  
I, as though he, em - braced and wel - comed home!



*Refrain*

I cling to Christ, and mar - vel at the cost:



Je - sus for - sak - en, God es - tranged from God.



Bought by such love, my life is not my own.



My praise— my all— shall be for Christ a - lone.

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