ZION
LUTHERAN † ANOKA

A WELCOMING FAITH COMMUNITY.
GROWING. CARING. SERVING.
†
NOVEMBER 14/15, 2026
25TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

# Welcome to Worship

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For more information contact us at www.zionanoka.org.

PREACHING:
Pastor Connie Tiede

PRESIDING:
8 AM Pr Sue Wallager
9 AM Pr Mike Pancoast

READER:
5 PM Judy Bendiske
8 AM Marcia Wilson
9 AM Sandy Benson

ORGANIST: Mary Jo Gothmann

PRELUDE

## GATHERING

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS
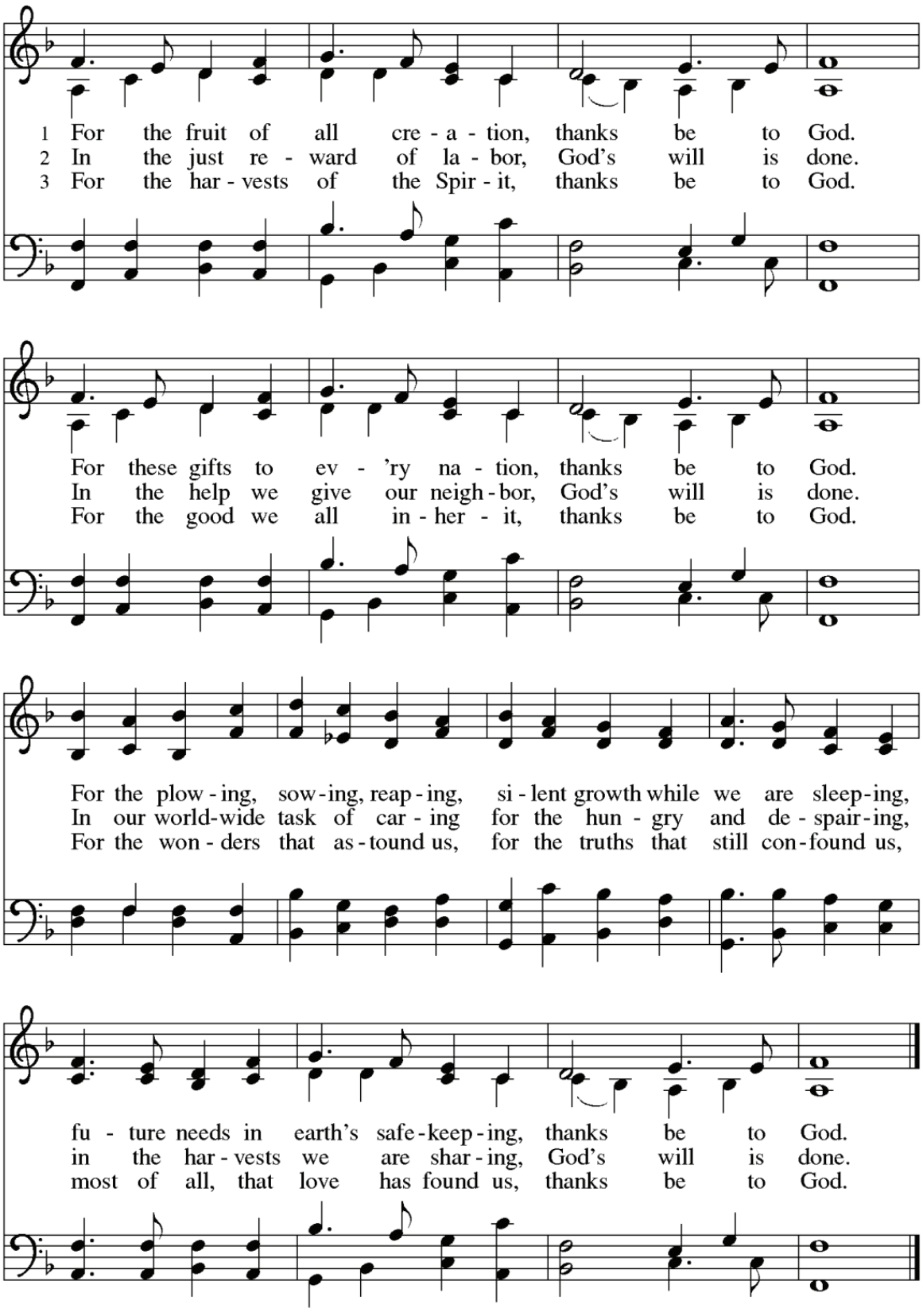
CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS:

Let us confess our sin to God, who is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.

*Silence for reflection*

God of compassion,
**We confess that we have not lived up to the example of Jesus, and that we serve and love ourselves instead of you and our neighbors. Deliver us from all that dims the light of your Holy Spirit within us, and from all that prevents us from delighting in you. Forgive our sins, merciful God, that our hearts may burn with love for you and for all people, and that our lives may bear witness to your never-failing love.**

The death Christ died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. So you also, by the power of the Holy Spirit, are dead to sin and alive to God, in Jesus Christ.
**Amen.**




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GREETING:

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

**And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY:

**Righteous God, our merciful master, you own the earth and all its peoples, and you give us all that we have. Inspire us to serve you with justice and wisdom, and prepare us for the joy of the day of your coming, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

BIBLE BLESSING (9 AM)**:** Receiving a Bible - Violet Wojciechowski

# WORD

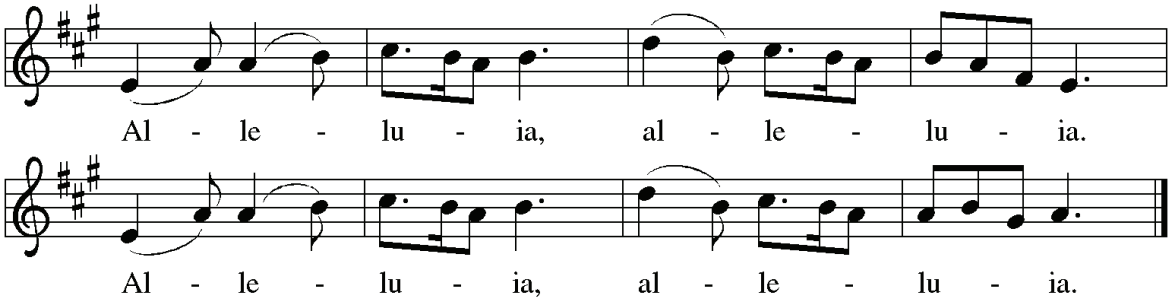
WORD FOR KIDS (9 AM)

LESSON: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

Word of God, Word of Life.

**Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: *Celtic Alleluia* 174




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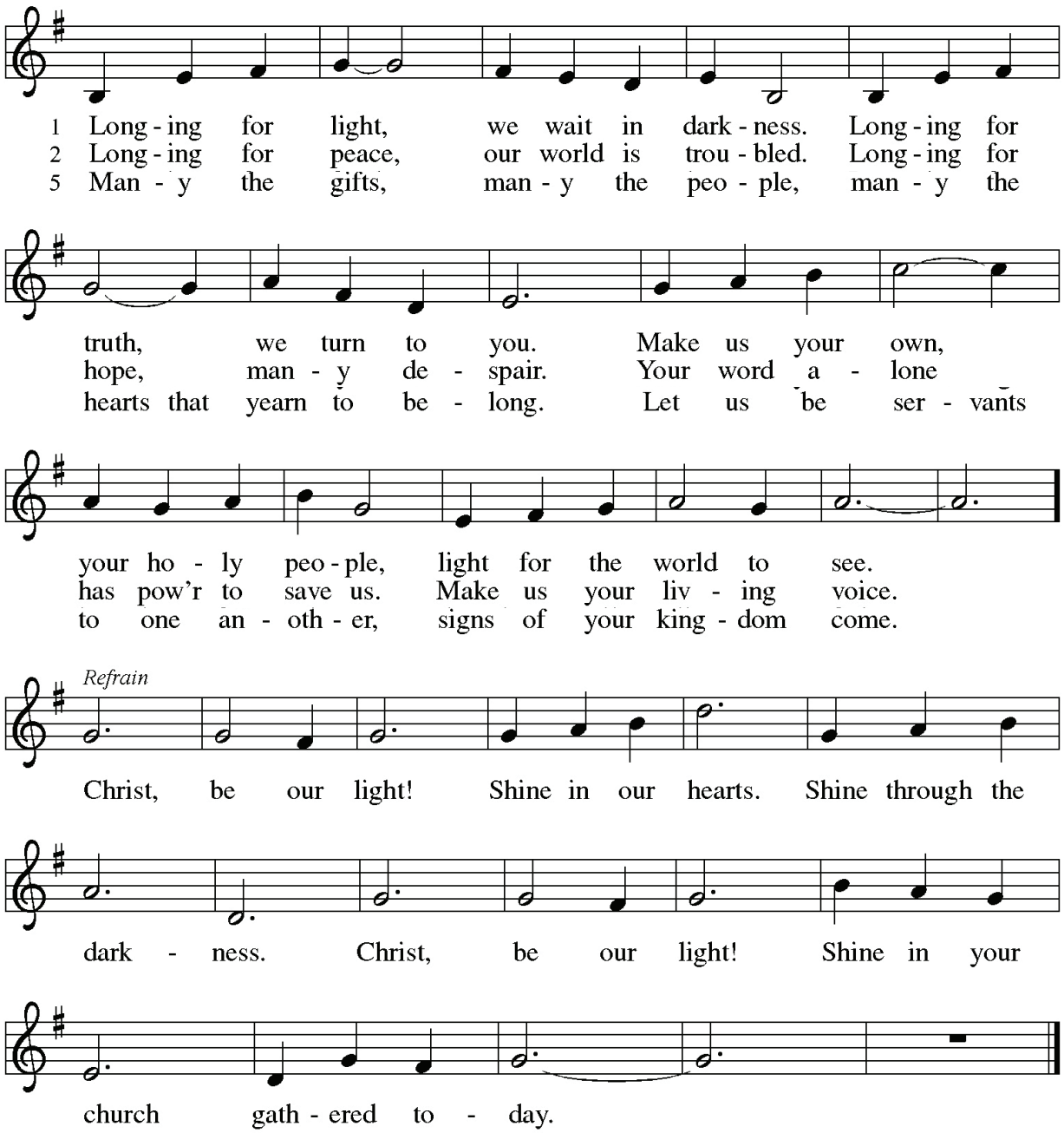
The Holy Gospel according to Matthew 25:14-30

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

THE SERMON: "Jesus Saves, We're Called to Invest" by Pastor Connie Tiede




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## THE APOSTLES' CREED

**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 catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

God of mercy and grace...

**Hear our prayer.**

## SHARING THE PEACE:

The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*(Share the peace with a wave and word of peace.)*

MANY WAYS TO GIVE

TEXT: 763-710-2209

ONLINE www.zionanoka.org
click on "GIVE TODAY"

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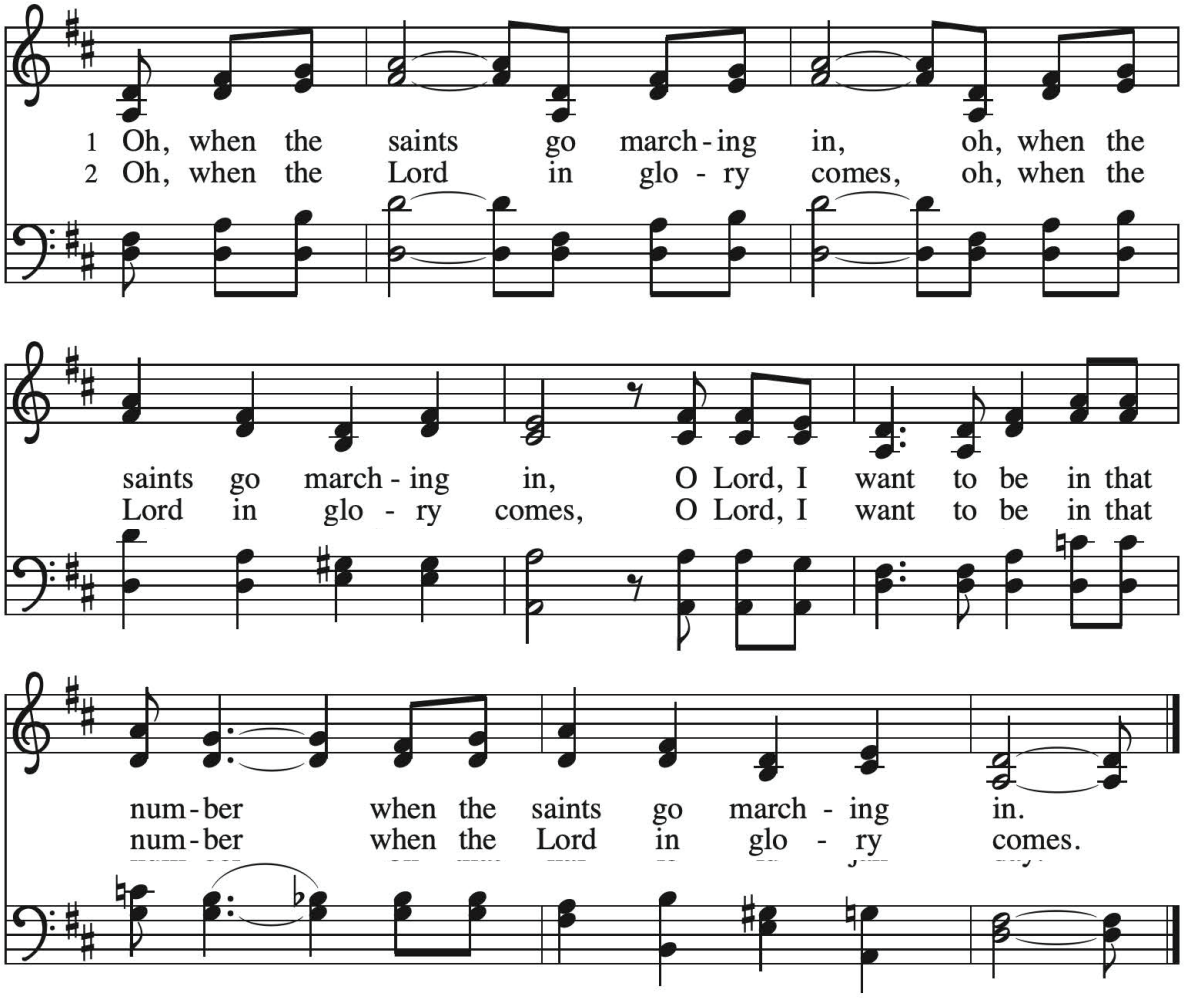
# MEAL

## OFFERING

## SPECIAL MUSIC (9 AM):

"Thanksgiving"..... arr. Krug
Ringmasters; Jonathan Campbell, dir.

## OFFERTORY: O When the Saints Go Marching In, vs 1 & 2




Text: African American spiritual
Music: WHEN THE SAINTS, African American spiritual; arr. hymnal version
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OFFERTORY PRAYER:

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**.**

**Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING:

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER:

**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.**

DISTRIBUTION

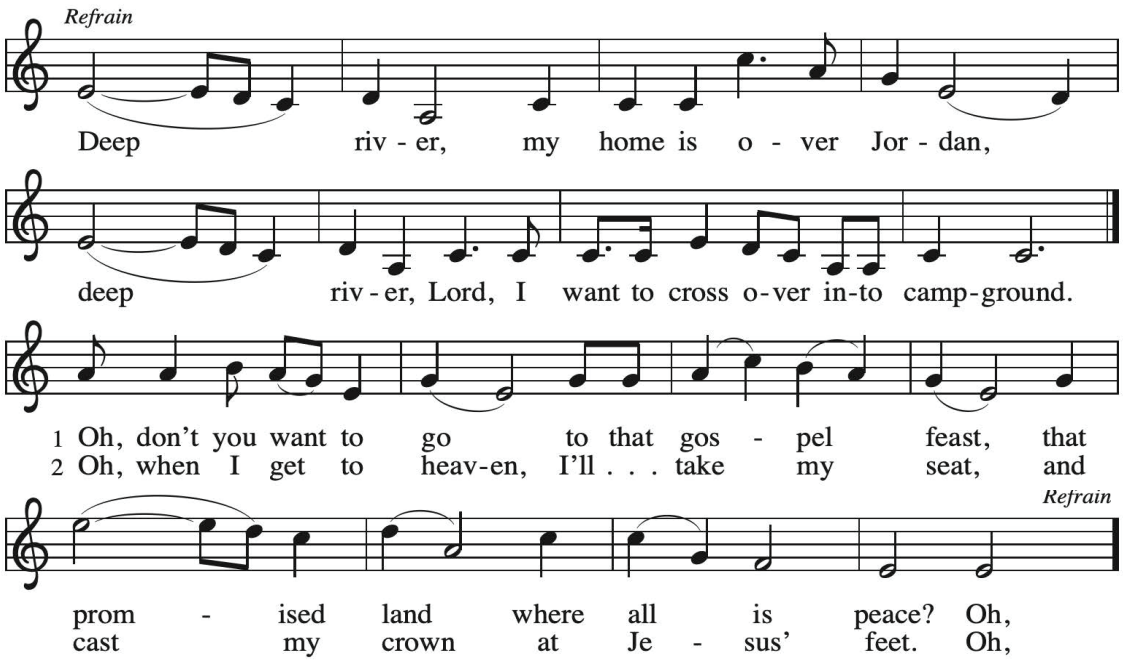
INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

- *The ushers will invite you forward. Please take a cup from them and proceed to a communion station.*
- *The first server will give you a wafer. If you would like a gluten-free wafer, please let them know.*
- *The second server will pour wine into your cup. If you prefer white grape juice, go to the third server.*
- *After receiving communion, place your empty cup in the baskets provided as you return to your seat.*

SPECIAL MUSIC (9 AM):

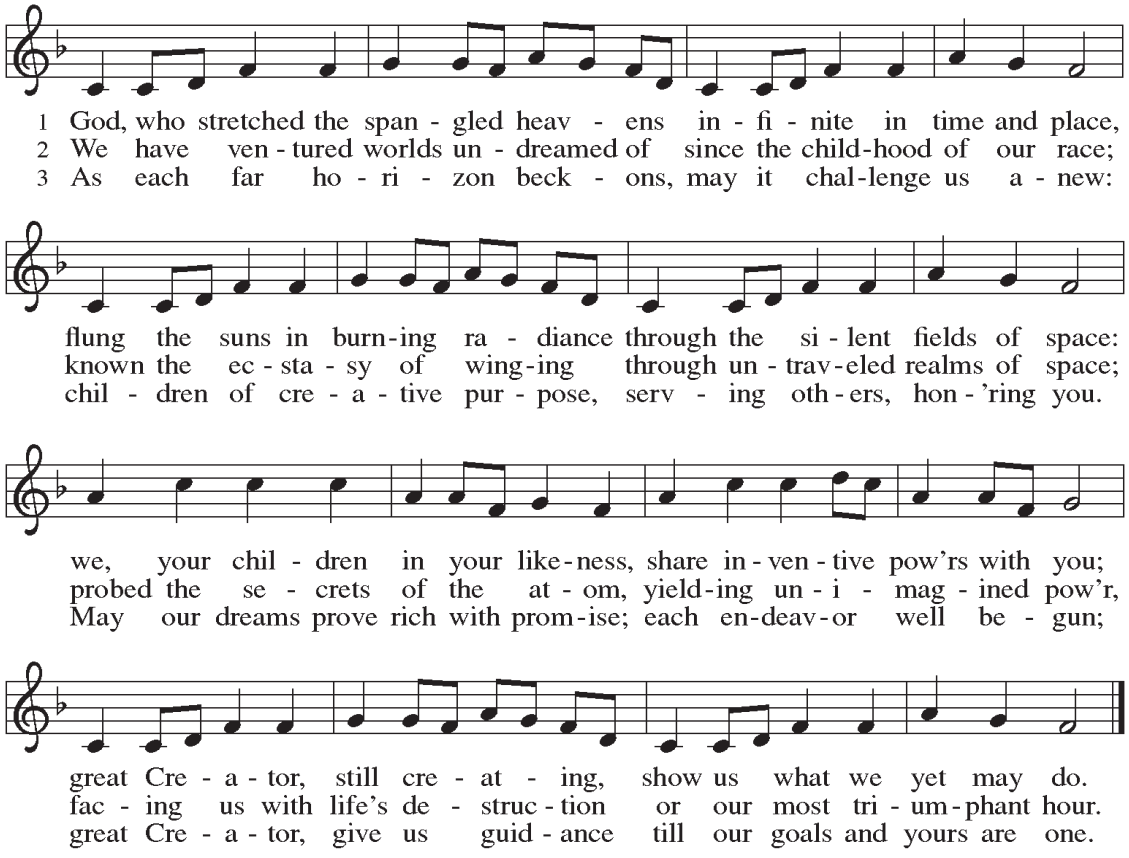
"Alleluia, Give Thanks"..... arr. Tucker
Ringmasters; Jonathan Campbell, dir.

## DISTRIBUTION HYMN: Deep River 951




Text: African American spiritual
Music: DEEP RIVER, African American spiritual

## DISTRIBUTION HYMN: God Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens 771




## POST COMMUNION BLESSING AND PRAYER:

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. **Amen.**

WE WELCOME YOU TO WORSHIP

**Hearing Assistance Units Available**

*Hearing assistance units are available at the sound booth at the back of the Sanctuary.*

**Mobility Concerns**

*We have areas in the sanctuary where a wheelchair or walker will fit. Ushers can assist you.*

**Children Welcome**

*Activity bags are available outside the sanctuary. We have two "pray grounds" in the sanctuary with plenty of places just outside the sanctuary as well where children can sit and play.*

**LIVE STREAM**
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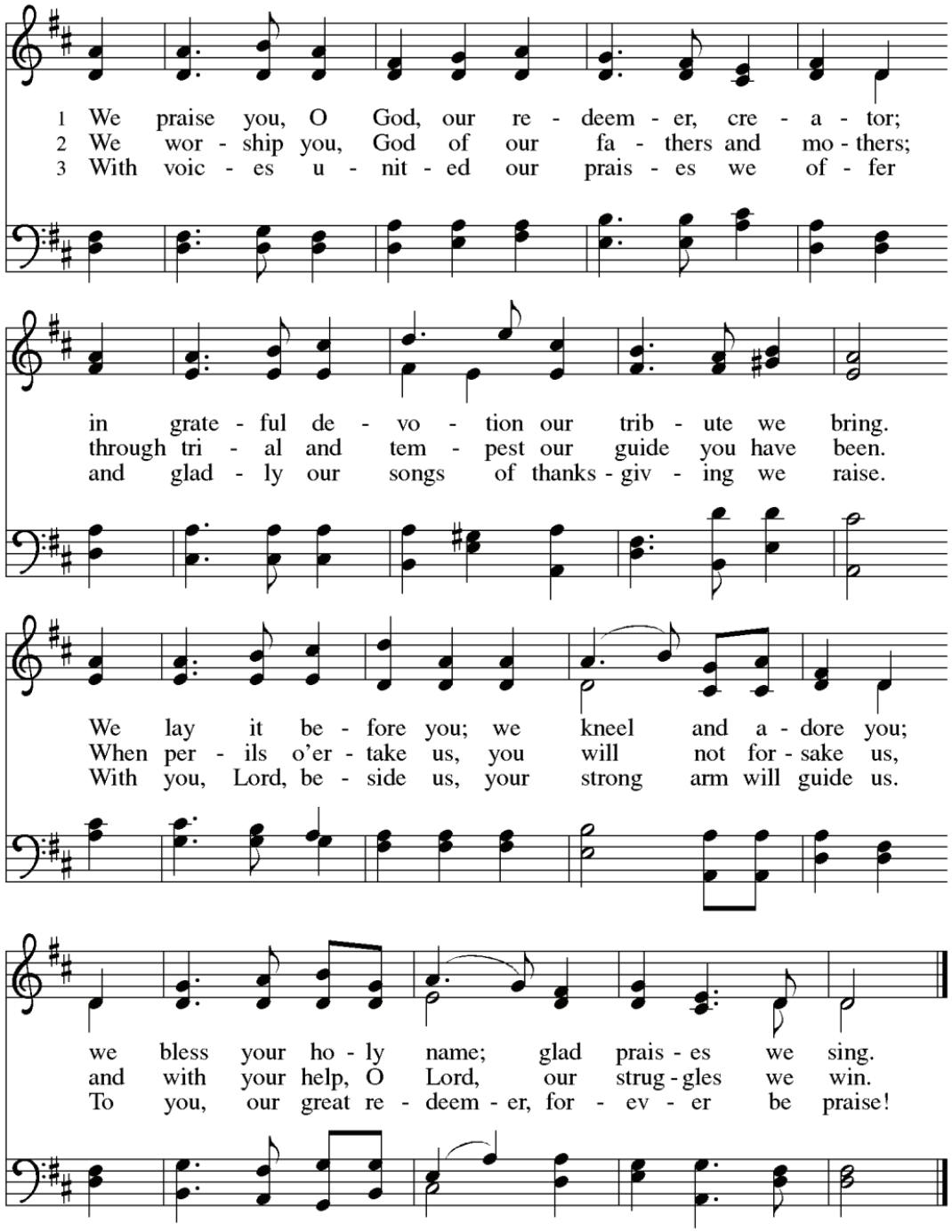
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# SENDING

## BENEDICTION:

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

## SENDING HYMN: We Praise You, O God 870




## DISMISSAL:

Go in peace, encourage one another.

**Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE