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THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JUNE 9, 2024 ✠ 9:00 AM

A SPECIAL WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS!

We're thrilled that you are here and we want you to feel at home.

*Restrooms are near the door that you came in today.

*The service is printed in this worship folder. Join in as you're comfortable. Ask anyone if you're lost - they'll be glad to help!

*We're glad you brought your kids! We know and Jesus knows that little kids have a hard time sitting quietly sometimes. They are still welcome here. Jesus said: Let the little children come to me! If your little one is restless, feel free to spend a minute in the entryway, you should still be able to hear through speakers.

*If you could use some hearing assistance, please ask the usher in the entryway, we have headsets available. Please introduce yourself to Pastor Boettcher or Pastor Peil. They would love to meet you and serve you however they can!

Jesus always wins

Look at our lives—the problems, the pains—and it's easy to conclude that we are losing. Look at the world—the brokenness, the bedlam—and it's easy to believe that the devil is winning. It all can lead us to despair. Yet this turmoil is exactly what God said would happen already in the Garden. There God declared that until the end of time enmity would prevail between the devil and mankind. But God promised more than that. He promised that from humanity would rise one who would completely defeat the devil.

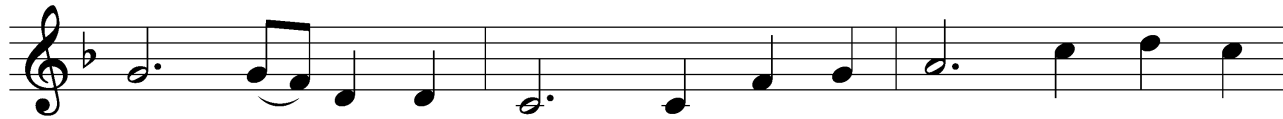
We need a top-down faith to understand that things are definitely not what they seem. Yes, the devil and his allies are constantly doing their worst. Their work always brings pain. Yet, ultimately, Jesus always wins. And his victory is our victory. Jesus' victory is so complete that even when Satan continues to cause chaos, Christ uses it to reveal his glory and grace to those gifted with top-down faith.

574 The Tree of Life

CW 574



1 The tree of life with ev - 'ry good in E - den's
 2 The still - ness of that sa - cred grove was bro - ken
 3 What mer - cy God showed to our race, a plan of
 4 Now from that tree of Je - sus' shame flows life e -



ho - ly or - chard stood, and of its fruit so pure and
 as the ser - pent strove with tempt - ing voice Eve to be -
 res - cue by his grace, in send - ing One from wom - an's
 ter - nal in his name; for all who trust and will be -



sweet God let the man and wom - an eat. Yet in this
 guile and Ad - am too by sin de - file. O day of
 seed, the One to fill our great - est need— for on a
 lieve, sal - va - tion's liv - ing fruit re - ceive. And of this



gar - den al - so grew an - oth - er tree, of
 sad - ness when the breath of fear and dark - ness,
 tree up - lift - ed high his on - ly Son for
 fruit so pure and sweet the Lord in - vites the



which they knew; its love - ly limbs with fruit a -
 doubt and death, its aw - ful poi - son first dis -
 sin would die, would drink the cup of scorn and
 world to eat, to find with - in this cross of



dorned a - gainst whose eat - ing God had warned.
 played with - in the world so new - ly made.
 dread to crush the an - cient ser - pent's head!
 wood the tree of life with ev - 'ry good.

Invocation

Please stand at the minister's direction if you are able

In the name of the Father and of the Son † and of the Holy Spirit.

Matthew 28:19

Amen.

Confession and Absolution

Blessed are they whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered.

Blessed are they whose sin the Lord does not count against them.

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

Almighty and merciful Father,

we have strayed from your ways like lost sheep.

We have followed what we have devised and desired in our hearts.

We have offended you and sinned against your holy law.

We have done those things that we should not have done, and we have not done those things that we should have done.

Have mercy on us, Lord!

**Spare us, forgive us, and restore us,
according to your promises in Christ Jesus.**

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.

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

Amen.

452 The Strife Is O'er, the Battle Done CW 452 sts. Ref-3



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



1 The strife is o'er, the bat - tle done; now is the
2 The pow'rs of death have done their worst, but Christ their
3 The three sad days have quick - ly sped, he ris - es



vic - tor's tri - umph won; now be the
le - gions has dis - persed. Let shouts of
glo - rious from the dead. All glo - ry



song of praise be - gun: Al - le - lu - ia!
ho - ly joy out - burst: Al - le - lu - ia!
to our ris - en Head: Al - le - lu - ia!

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The Word

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Almighty and eternal God, your Son Jesus triumphed over the prince of demons and freed us from bondage to sin. Help us to stand firm against every assault of Satan, and enable us always to do your will; 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

Genesis 3:8–15

The LORD responds to the devil's deception and the first sin by promising a Savior, born of the woman, to crush his head and set us free.

⁸Then the man and his wife heard the sound of the LORD God as he was walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and they hid from the LORD God among the trees of the garden. ⁹But the LORD God called to the man, "Where are you?"

¹⁰He answered, "I heard you in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; so I hid."

¹¹And he said, “Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree that I commanded you not to eat from?”

¹²The man said, “The woman you put here with me— she gave me some fruit from the tree, and I ate it.”

¹³Then the LORD God said to the woman, “What is this you have done?”

The woman said, “The serpent deceived me, and I ate.”

¹⁴So the LORD God said to the serpent, “Because you have done this,

“Cursed are you above all livestock
and all wild animals!

You will crawl on your belly
and you will eat dust
all the days of your life.

¹⁵And I will put enmity
between you and the woman,
and between your offspring and hers;
he will crush your head,
and you will strike his heel.”

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

130G I Will Wait for You Psalm 130G sts. Intro, Intro (cont'd)-2, Chorus, 3-4, Chorus, Final Chorus, Outro, Outro (cont'd)

Intro

LORD, from the depths I call to you;
 (Lord,) in your pres - ence who can stand,
 Lord, hear me from on high
 if you our sins re - cord?
 and give at - ten - tion to my voice
 But yet for - give - ness is with you,
 when that I for mer - cy cry. Lord,
 that we may fear you, Lord.

Verses

1 Out of the depths I cry to you,
 2 Were you to count my sin - ful ways,
 in dark - est plac - es I will call;
 how could I come be - fore your throne?
 in - cline your ear to me a - new,
 Yet full for - give - ness meets my gaze;
 and hear my cry for mer - cy, Lord.
 I stand re - deemed by grace a - lone.

v. 2
 Chorus


Chorus

I will wait for you, I will wait for you; on your
word, I will re - ly. I will wait for you, sure - ly
wait for you, till my soul is sat-is - fied.

Verses

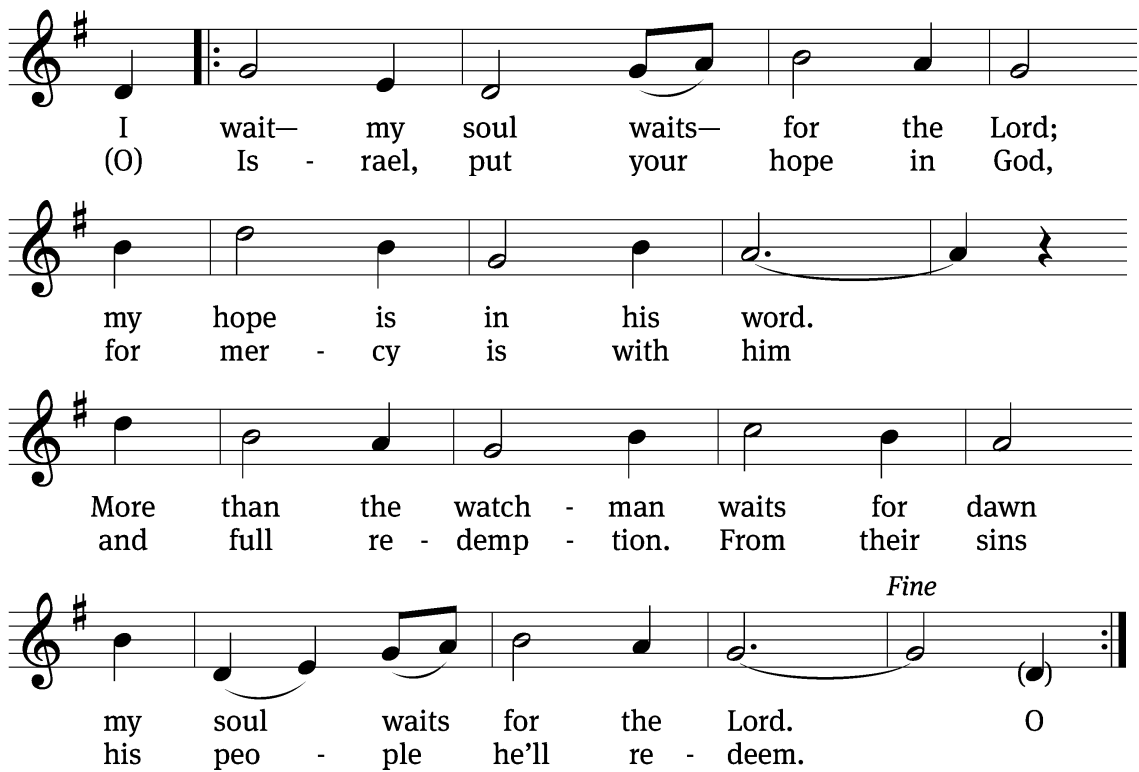
3 So put your hope in God a - lone;
4 Now he has come to make a way,
take cour - age in his pow'r to save—
and God him - self has paid the price,
com - plete - ly and for - ev - er won
that all who trust in him to - day
by Christ e - merg - ing from the grave. *Chorus, then v. 4*
find heal - ing in his sac - ri - fice. *Chorus/Final Chorus*

Final Chorus



I will wait for you, I will wait for you; through the
storm and through the night. I will wait for you, sure-ly
wait for you, for your love is my de-light.

Outro



I wait— my soul waits— for the Lord;
(O) Is - rael, put your hope in God,
my hope is in his word.
for mer - cy is with him
More than the watch - man waits for dawn
and full re - demp - tion. From their sins
Fine
my soul - waits for the Lord. O
his peo - ple he'll re - deem.

Second Reading

Revelation 20:1–6

While it so often seems that the devil is winning and Christ's church is losing, John shows us a vision of how things really are: the devil has been overpowered and defeated and the people of God live and reign in glory and victory.

¹And I saw an angel coming down out of heaven, having the key to the Abyss and holding in his hand a great chain. ²He seized the dragon, that ancient serpent, who is the devil, or Satan, and bound him for a thousand years. ³He threw him into the Abyss, and locked and sealed it over him, to keep him from deceiving the nations anymore until the thousand years were ended. After that, he must be set free for a short time.

⁴I saw thrones on which were seated those who had been given authority to judge. And I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded because of their testimony about Jesus and because of the word of God. They had not worshiped the beast or its image and had not received its mark on their foreheads or their hands. They came to life and reigned with Christ a thousand years.

⁵(The rest of the dead did not come to life until the thousand years were ended.) This is the first resurrection.

⁶Blessed and holy are those who share in the first resurrection. The second death has no power over them, but they will be priests of God and of Christ and will reign with him for a thousand years.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Stand

Gospel Acclamation

1 John 3:8

Spoken together

Alleluia, alleluia! The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy the devil's work. Alleluia!

Gospel

Mark 3:20–35

Jesus is insulted and blasphemed for his saving work. He proclaims victory over the devil and a place in God's family for all who hear and believe his Word.

²⁰Then Jesus entered a house, and again a crowd gathered, so that he and his disciples were not even able to eat. ²¹When his family heard about this, they went to take charge of him, for they said, "He is out of his mind."

²²And the teachers of the law who came down from Jerusalem said, "He is possessed by Beelzebul! By the prince of demons he is driving out demons."

²³So Jesus called them over to him and began to speak to them in parables: "How can Satan drive out Satan? ²⁴If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. ²⁵If a house is divided against itself, that house cannot stand. ²⁶And if Satan opposes himself and is divided, he cannot stand; his end has come. ²⁷In fact, no one can enter a strong man's house without first tying him up. Then he can plunder the strong man's house. ²⁸Truly I tell you, people can be forgiven all their sins and every slander they utter, ²⁹but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit will never be forgiven; they are guilty of an eternal sin."

³⁰He said this because they were saying, “He has an impure spirit.”

³¹Then Jesus’ mother and brothers arrived. Standing outside, they sent someone in to call him. ³²A crowd was sitting around him, and they told him, “Your mother and brothers are outside looking for you.”

³³“Who are my mother and my brothers?” he asked.

³⁴Then he looked at those seated in a circle around him and said, “Here are my mother and my brothers!

³⁵Whoever does God’s will is my brother and sister and mother.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be seated

871 Rise! To Arms! With Prayer Employ You

CW 871



1 Rise! To arms! With prayer em - ploy you, O Chris-tians, lest the
2 Cast a - far this world's vain plea - sure and bold - ly strive for
3 Je - sus, all your chil - dren cher - ish, and keep them that they



foe de - stroy you, for Sa - tan has de - signed your fall.
heav'n - ly trea - sure. Be stead - fast in the Sav - ior's might.
nev - er per - ish whom you have pur - chased with your blood.



Wield God's Word, a weap - on glo - rious; a - gainst each foe you'll
Trust the Lord, who stands be - side you, for Je - sus from all
Let new life to us be giv - en that we may look to



be vic - to - rious, for God will set you o'er them all.
harm will hide you. By faith you'll con - quer in the fight.
you in heav - en when - ev - er fear - ful is our mood.



Fear not the prince of hell, here is Im - man - u - el!
Take cour - age, wea - ry soul! Look for - ward to the goal!
Your Spir - it on us pour that we may love you more,



Sing ho - san - na! The strong ones yield to Christ, our shield,
Joy a - waits you. The race, then, run; your bat - tle done,
hearts o'er - flow - ing; and then shall we, from sin set free,



and we as con - qu'rors hold the field.
the crown of glo - ry will be won.
sing praise through all e - ter - ni - ty.

Sermon

Jesus and his people win!

Stand

Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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 into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

**and is seated at the right hand of God the Father
Almighty.**

**From there 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.**

Be seated

Prayer of the Church

Almighty God and Father, we thank you for all your mercies, especially for the gift of your Son, through whom you have revealed your gracious will. We praise you for the Holy Spirit and his working through the means of grace.

Plant your Word in our hearts, and cause it to produce fruit in our lives.

Strengthen and defend your Church, that by your Word and sacraments faith may grow and love toward all may increase.

Support all who spread the light of your truth throughout the world.

Keep our children in the grace of their baptisms. Enable their parents to train them in lives of faith.

Raise up Christians to serve you in the ministry of the Word and in all godly walks of life.

Preserve our nation in justice and honor. Guide and bless all who make, administer, and judge our laws.

Give them wisdom that they may promote justice and hinder evil.

Let your blessing rest on planting and harvest, commerce and industry, medicine and science, the arts and culture. Protect all who travel, and care for those whose work is difficult or dangerous.

Be with all who devote themselves to any useful task.

Comfort all who are in sorrow or need, sickness or adversity, Remember those who suffer persecution for the faith. Have mercy on those for whom death draws near.

Grant them your love, and take them into your tender care.

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

Silent prayer

We remember with thanksgiving those who have loved and served you, who now rest from their labors. Console those who are mourning or living with sadness.

Keep us in the true faith, and bring us at last to the joys of heaven.

Grant us these things, Father, for the sake of Jesus, who died and rose again.

Amen.

Offering



*Moved by God's love in Christ, we return to God our first and best gifts, purely out of thanks to Him. There is an offering plate in the entry way for those who wish to give a gift in that way. To donate online, either scan the QR code on the left or text **princeofpeace** (no spaces) to **(833) 693-7056**. You'll receive a link in response. Follow the link to the Prince of Peace secure giving page.*

The Sacrament

Stand

Preface

CW 199

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

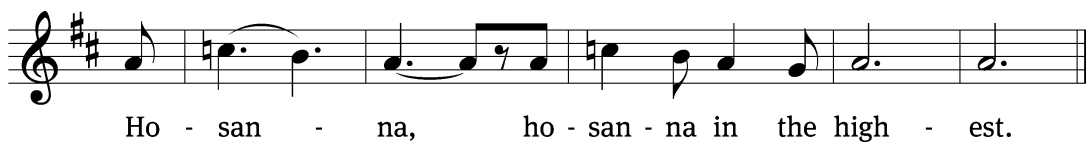
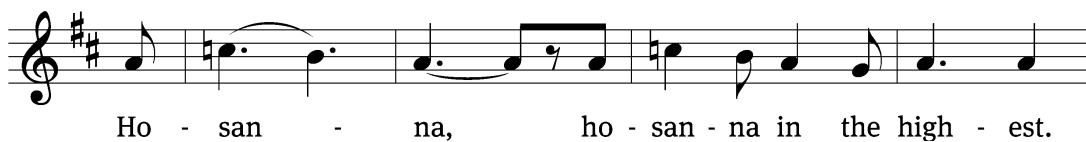
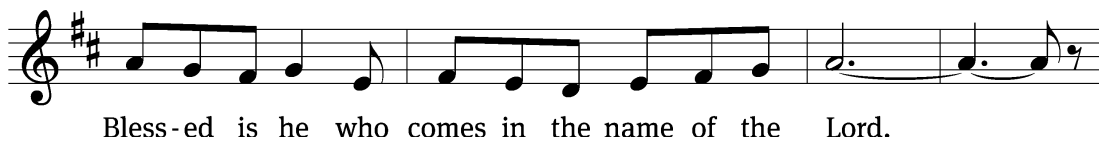
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

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



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, 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.

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.



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



world; grant us, grant us peace.

Be seated

Distribution

A NOTE TO OUR GUESTS

Children and those who are not communicant members of our church may come forward for a blessing. Those who do are asked to cross their arms on their chest to indicate this.

Prince of Peace practices closed communion, because the Bible teaches it and because we love you. That means we ask that only members of Prince of Peace or other congregations in our fellowship take the Lord's Supper this morning. This is not a judgment of anyone's faith, it is simply our desire to uphold what God says in 1 Corinthians 10 and 11 about who should receive Holy Communion and how.

Please speak to Pastor Peil or Pastor Boettcher about communing with us in the future if you're not part of our congregation. Thank you for your understanding!

499 Christ, the Lord of Hosts, Unshaken

CW 499



1 Christ, the Lord of hosts, un - shak - en by the dev - il's
2 Mi - chael fought the heav'n - ly bat - tle, god - ly an - gels
3 Long on earth the bat - tle ra - ges, since the ser - pent's
4 Je - sus came, this word ful - fill - ing, tram - pled Sa - tan,



seeth - ing rage, thwarts the plan of Sa - tan's min - ions,
by his side; warred a - gainst the an - cient ser - pent,
first de - ceit twist - ed God's com - mand to Ad - am,
death de - fied; bore the brunt of our temp - ta - tion,



wins the strife from age to age; con - quers sin and
foiled the beast, so full of pride, cast him earth - bound
made for - bid - den fruit look sweet. Then the curse of
on the wretch - ed tree he died. Yet to life was



death for - ev - er, slams them in their steel - y cage.
with his an - gels; now he prowls, un - sat - is - fied.
God was spo - ken: "You'll lie crushed be - neath his feet!"
raised vic - to - rious, by his life our life sup - plied.

5 Swift as lightning falls the tyrant
from his heav'nly perch on high,
as the word of Jesus' vict'ry
floods the earth and fills the sky.
Wounded by a wound eternal
now his judgment has drawn nigh!

6 Jesus, send your angel legions
when the foe would us enslave.
Hold us fast when sin assaults us;
come then, Lord, your people save.
Overthrow at last the dragon;
send him to his fiery grave.

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567 What Adam's Disobedience Cost

CW 567



1 What Ad - am's dis - o - be - dience cost, let Ho - ly Scrip - ture
2 An ark of mer - cy rode the flood, but we, where wa - ters
3 A lit - tle child is Ad - am's heir, is Ad - am's hope and
4 Re - gained is Ad - am's bless - ed - ness; the an - gels sheathe their
5 Re - newed, re - stored, we look a - head to glimpse that glo - rious



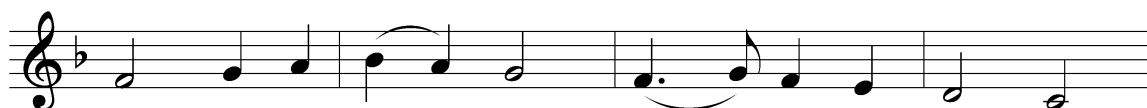
say: our - selves es - tranged, an E - den lost, and
swirled, re - built, im - pa - tient of the good, an -
Lord. Sing joy - ful car - ols ev - 'ry - where that
swords. In joy - ful car - ols all con - fess the
day when in the new Je - ru - sa - lem all



then a judg - ment day: each day a judg - ment day.
oth - er fall - en world: an un - re - pent - ant world.
E - den is re - stored: in Je - sus is re - stored.
king - dom is the Lord's: the glo - ry is the Lord's!
griefs will pass a - way. A - men. Hal - le - lu - jah!

515 Christ Is the World's Light

CW 515



1 Christ is the world's light, Christ and none oth - er;
2 Christ is the world's peace, Christ and none oth - er;
3 Christ is the world's life, Christ and none oth - er;
4 Give God the glo - ry, God and none oth - er;



born in our dark - ness, he be - came our broth - er.
no one can serve him and de - spise an - oth - er.
sold once for sil - ver, mur - dered here, our broth - er.
give God the glo - ry, Spir - it, Son, and Fa - ther;



If we have seen him, we have seen the
Who else u - nites us, one with God the
He who re - deemed us reigns with God the
give God the glo - ry, God with us, our



Fa - ther: Glo - ry to God on high!
Fa - ther? Glo - ry to God on high!
Fa - ther: Glo - ry to God on high!
broth - er: Glo - ry to God on high!

After the distribution, the minister says:

The true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you to life everlasting. Go † in peace.

Amen.

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.

Closing Hymn 452 The Strife Is O'er, the Battle Done

CW 452 sts. Ref, 4-5



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



4 He closed the yawn - ing gates of hell; the bars from
5 By your deep wounds, O ris - en King, come set us



heav'n's high por - tals fell. Let hymns of
free from death's sharp sting, that we may



praise his tri - umph tell: Al - le - lu - ia!
live and ev - er sing: Al - le - lu - ia! *Refrain*