

*Introduction to the day: "O LORD our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!" Today we celebrate the holy Trinity. Paul writes that through Jesus we have peace with God, whose love pours into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, giving us lasting hope. We celebrate the gracious One-in-Three, eternal Three-in-One, as we worship in community; as we share water and word, bread and wine; and as we bring God's love and hope to our neighbors.*

## **GATHERING**

*The Holy Spirit calls us together as the diverse people of God.*

---

### **PRELUDE**

### **WELCOME**

*The congregation is invited to stand as they are able and to face the baptismal font.*

### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✙ one God,  
whose steadfast love endures forever.

**Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Merciful God,

**we confess that we have not followed your path**

**but have chosen our own way.**

**Instead of putting others before ourselves,**

**we long to take the best seats at the table.**

**When met by those in need,**

**we have too often passed by on the other side.**

**Set us again on the path of life.**

**Save us from ourselves**

**and free us to love our neighbors.**

**Amen.**

Hear the good news!

God does not deal with us according to our sins

but delights in granting pardon and mercy.

In the name of ✙ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.

You are free to love as God loves.

**Amen.**

*Please remain standing and turn to face the altar as you are able.*

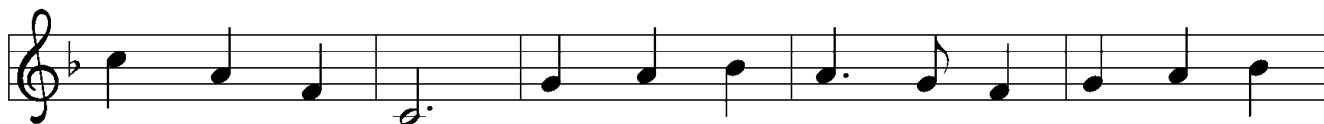
### **GATHERING SONG**    *Come, Thou Almighty King*

(ELW 408)

*Words and music on next page*



1 Come, thou al - might - y King, help us thy name to sing;  
 2 Come, thou in - car - nate Word, mer - ci - ful, might - y Lord;  
 3 Come, ho - ly Com - fort - er, thy sa - cred wit - ness bear  
 4 To thee, great One in Three, e - ter - nal prais - es be



help us to praise; Fa - ther all - glo - ri - ous, o'er all vic -  
 our prayer at - tend. Come and thy peo - ple bless, and give thy  
 in this glad hour! Thou who al - might - y art, rule now in  
 hence ev - er - more! Thy sov - 'reign maj - es - ty may we in



to - ri - ous, come and reign o - ver us, An - cient of Days.  
 word suc - cess, and let thy righ - teous - ness on us de - scend.  
 ev - 'ry heart, nev - er from us de - part, Spir - it of pow'r.  
 glo - ry see, and to e - ter - ni - ty love and a - dore.

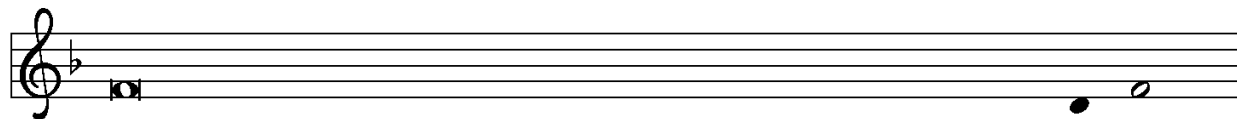
## GREETING

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.**

## KYRIE (ELW p. 138)



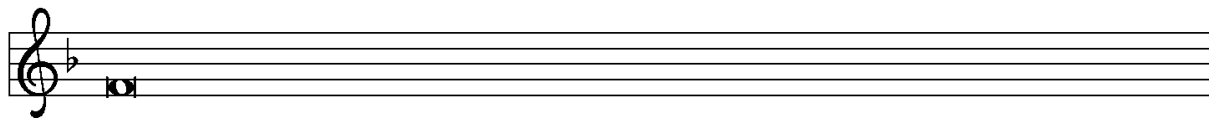
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.



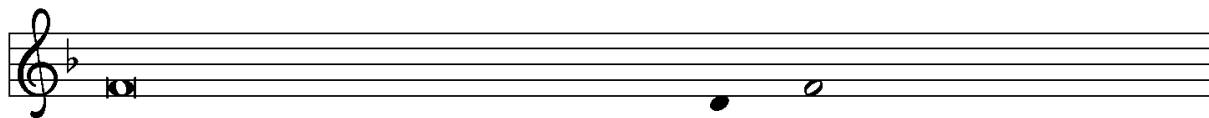
For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



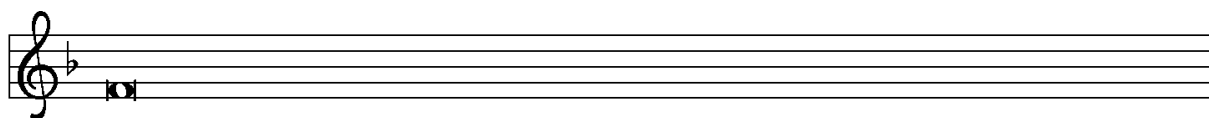
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



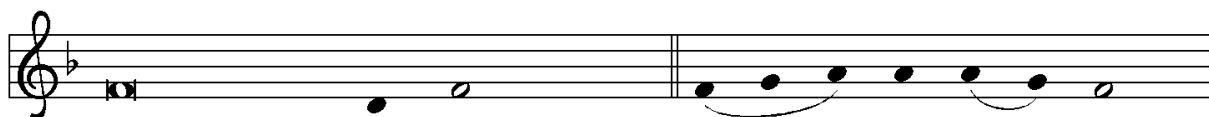
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



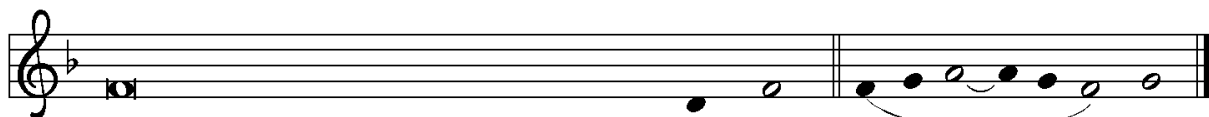
Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. A - men.

## CANTICLE OF PRAISE (ELW p. 139)

*Refrain*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia. 1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb



who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.

cont. next page

*Refrain*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and

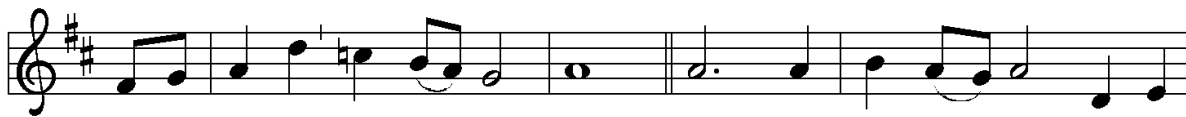


strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

*Refrain*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of



God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,

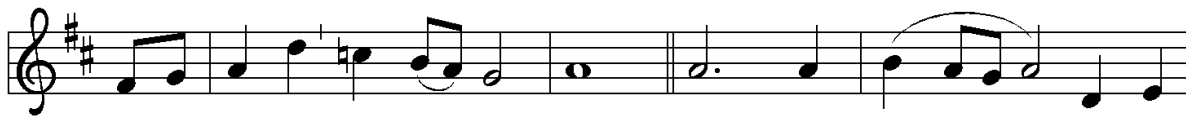


glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

*Refrain*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 4 For the Lamb who was

cont. next page



## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Almighty Creator and ever-living God: we worship your glory, eternal Three-in-One, and we praise your power, majestic One-in-Three. Keep us steadfast in this faith, defend us in all adversity, and bring us at last into your presence, where you live in endless joy and love, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

*Please be seated*

## WORD

*God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.*

**FIRST READING:** Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31 (Lisa Kaufman-Chan or Andrew Chan)

*In the Bible, wisdom is portrayed in terms sometimes human and sometimes divine. Often, wisdom is personified as feminine. In this passage, Woman Wisdom is depicted not only as the first creation of God, but also as God's helper, rejoicing in God's creation, especially in human beings.*

*A reading from Proverbs.*

<sup>1</sup>Does not wisdom call,  
and does not understanding raise her voice?

<sup>2</sup>On the heights, beside the way,  
at the crossroads she takes her stand;

<sup>3</sup>beside the gates in front of the town,  
at the entrance of the portals she cries out:

<sup>4</sup>"To you, O people, I call,  
and my cry is to all that live.

<sup>22</sup>The LORD created me at the beginning of his work,  
the first of his acts of long ago.

<sup>23</sup>Ages ago I was set up,  
at the first, before the beginning of the earth.

<sup>24</sup>When there were no depths I was brought forth,

when there were no springs abounding with water.  
<sup>25</sup>Before the mountains had been shaped,  
before the hills, I was brought forth—  
<sup>26</sup>when he had not yet made earth and fields,  
or the world's first bits of soil.  
<sup>27</sup>When he established the heavens, I was there,  
when he drew a circle on the face of the deep,  
<sup>28</sup>when he made firm the skies above,  
when he established the fountains of the deep,  
<sup>29</sup>when he assigned to the sea its limit,  
so that the waters might not transgress his command,  
when he marked out the foundations of the earth,  
<sup>30</sup>then I was beside him, like a master worker;  
and I was daily his delight,  
rejoicing before him always,  
<sup>31</sup>rejoicing in his inhabited world  
and delighting in the human race.”

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **PSALM:** Psalm 8 (Lisa Kaufman-Chan or Andrew Chan)

<sup>1</sup>O LORD our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!—  
<sup>2</sup>**you whose glory is chanted above the heavens out of the mouths of infants and children;  
you have set up a fortress against your enemies, to silence the foe and avenger.**  
<sup>3</sup>When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers,  
the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,  
<sup>4</sup>**what are mere mortals that you should be mindful of them,  
human beings that you should care for them?**  
<sup>5</sup>Yet you have made them little less than divine;  
with glory and honor you crown them.  
<sup>6</sup>**You have made them rule over the works of your hands;  
you have put all things under their feet:**  
<sup>7</sup>all flocks and cattle,  
even the wild beasts of the field,  
<sup>8</sup>**the birds of the air, the fish of the sea,  
and whatever passes along the paths of the sea.**  
<sup>9</sup>O LORD our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

## **SECOND READING:** Romans 5:1-5

(Lisa Kaufman-Chan or Andrew Chan)

*Paul describes the life of faith with reference to God, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit. Even now, we have peace with God through Jesus, and our hope for the future is grounded in the love of God that we experience through Christ's Holy Spirit.*

*A reading from Romans.*

<sup>1</sup>Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ,  
<sup>2</sup>through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope

of sharing the glory of God. <sup>3</sup>And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, <sup>4</sup>and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, <sup>5</sup>and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **KIDS' MESSAGE**

(Pr. Carolyn Brodt)

*The congregation is invited to stand as they are able to welcome the Gospel.*

## **GOSPEL: John 16:12-15**

(Pr. Carolyn Brodt)

*Jesus' ongoing presence with the disciples will be made known through the coming Spirit who will guide them and communicate to them Jesus' will and glory.*

The holy gospel according to John.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus said,] <sup>12</sup>"I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. <sup>13</sup>When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. <sup>14</sup>He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. <sup>15</sup>All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you."

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Please be seated*

## **SERMON**

(Pastor Carolyn Brodt)

*The congregation is invited to stand as they are able for the Hymn of the Day found on the following page.*

## HYMN OF THE DAY *Come, Join the Dance of Trinity* (ELW 412)



1 Come, join the dance of Trin - i - ty, be - fore all worlds be - gun—  
 2 Come, see the face of Trin - i - ty, new - born in Beth - le - hem;  
 3 Come, speak a - loud of Trin - i - ty, as wind and tongues of flame  
 4 With - in the dance of Trin - i - ty, be - fore all worlds be - gun,



the in - ter-weav-ing of the Three, the Fa - ther, Spir - it, Son.  
 then blood-ied by a crown of thorns out - side Je - ru - sa - lem.  
 set peo - ple free at Pen - te - cost to tell the Sav - ior's name.  
 we sing the prais - es of the Three, the Fa - ther, Spir - it, Son.



The u - ni - verse of space and time did not a - rise by chance,  
 The dance of Trin - i - ty is meant for hu - man flesh and bone;  
 We know the yoke of sin and death, our necks have worn it smooth;  
 Let voic - es rise and in - ter-weave, by love and hope set free,



but as the Three, in love and hope, made room with-in their dance.  
 when fear con-fines the dance in death, God rolls a - way the stone.  
 go tell the world of weight and woe that we are free to move!  
 to shape in song this joy, this life: the dance of Trin - i - ty.

## CREED

Let us join with Lutheran Christians throughout the world this Holy Trinity Sunday and confess our shared faith using the words of the Athanasian Creed.

*To be read in three parts, then in two parts: P = Pastor, R = Right side L = Left side*

P: Whoever wants to be saved should above all cling to the catholic faith. Whoever does not guard it whole and inviolable will doubtless perish eternally.

**ALL: Now this is the catholic faith:**

P: We worship one God in trinity and the Trinity in unity,

**R: neither confusing the persons**

*L: nor dividing the divine being.*



P: For the Father is one person,

**R: the Son is another,**

*L: and the Spirit is still another.*

P: But the deity of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit is one,

**R: equal in glory,**

*L: coeternal in majesty.*

P: What the Father is,

**R: the Son is,**

*L: and so is the Holy Spirit.*

P: Uncreated is the Father;

**R: uncreated is the Son;**

*L: uncreated is the Spirit.*

P: The Father is infinite;

**R: the Son is infinite;**

*L: the Holy Spirit is infinite.*

P: Eternal is the Father;

**R: eternal is the Son;**

*L: eternal is the Spirit:*

P: And yet there are not three eternal beings,

**R: but one who is eternal;**

P: as there are not three uncreated and unlimited beings,

*L: but one who is uncreated and unlimited.*

P: Almighty is the Father;

**R: almighty is the Son;**

*L: almighty is the Spirit:*

P: And yet there are not three almighty beings,

**R: but one who is almighty.**

P: Thus the Father is God;

**R: the Son is God;**

*L: the Holy Spirit is God:*

P: And yet there are not three gods,

*L: but one God.*

P: Thus the Father is Lord;

**R: the Son is Lord;**

*L: the Holy Spirit is Lord:*

P: And yet there are not three lords,

**R: but one Lord.**

P: As Christian truth compels us to acknowledge each distinct person as God and Lord,

*L: so catholic religion forbids us to say that there are three gods or lords.*

P: The Father was neither made nor created nor begotten;

**R: the Son was neither made nor created, but was alone begotten of the Father;**

*L: the Spirit was neither made nor created, but is proceeding from the Father and the Son.*

P: Thus there is one Father, not three fathers;

**R: one Son, not three sons;**

*L: one Holy Spirit, not three spirits.*

P: And in this Trinity,

**R: no one is before or after,**

*L: greater or less than the other;*

P: but all three persons are in themselves, coeternal and coequal;

**R: and so we must worship the Trinity in unity**

*L: and the one God in three persons.*

P: Whoever wants to be saved should think thus about the Trinity. *[pause]* It is necessary for eternal salvation that one also faithfully believe that our Lord Jesus became flesh.

**ALL: For this is the true faith that we believe and confess:**

**That our Lord Jesus Christ, God's Son, is both God and man.**

**R: He is God, begotten before all worlds from the being of the Father,**

*L: and he is man, born in the world from the being of his mother—*

**R: existing fully as God, and fully as man with a rational soul and a human body;**

*L: equal to the Father in divinity,*

**R: subordinate to the Father in humanity.**

*L: Although he is God and man,*

**R: he is not divided, but is one Christ.**

*L: He is united because God has taken humanity into himself;*

**R: he does not transform deity into humanity.**

*L: He is completely one in the unity of his person, without confusing his natures.*

**R: For as the rational soul and body are one person,**

*L: so the one Christ is God and man.*

**R: He suffered death for our salvation.**

*L: He descended into hell and rose again from the dead.*

**R: He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

*L: He will come again to judge the living and the dead.*

**R: At his coming all people shall rise bodily to give an account of their own deeds.**

*L: Those who have done good will enter eternal life, those who have done evil will enter eternal fire.*

**ALL: This is the catholic faith.**

Pastor: One cannot be saved without believing this firmly and faithfully.

*Please be seated*

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

United in Christ and guided by the Spirit, we pray for the church, the creation, and all in need.

One God, giver of life, you established peace through your Son and gave your church the hope of sharing in your glory. Enliven us by your Spirit to speak and act in love for the sake of the world. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

Creator of all, you rejoice in creation and have given humankind responsibility for the works of your hands. Instill in everyone your Spirit of care for the earth, especially in areas threatened by ecological devastation including the Amazon Rainforest and the Arctic. God of grace,

**hear our prayer.**

Loving Redeemer, you delight in the human race. Move the hearts of world leaders to seek wisdom, speak truth, and care for all endangered by poverty, prejudice, or violence. Further the work of international collaboration and peacemaking. God of grace,

**hear our prayer.**

Abiding Comforter, you call out to all who live. Restore severed relationships and protect children who lack trustworthy caregivers. Grant hope to those who are experiencing fear, pain, or grief. God of grace,

**hear our prayer.**

Holy Three, you are community and you create community. Build up ministries that support those who are isolated or lonely. Give endurance as we nurture vital relationships in our congregation, our synod, and beyond. God of grace,

**hear our prayer.**

Holy God, we remember your saints for their strong faith and witness, even unto death especially the Emanuel Nine, whom we commemorate this week. Console grieving families. Stir up in us the resolve to end the sin of white supremacy and pursue the courageous path of justice. God of grace,

**hear our prayer.**

*(Prayer requests provided by congregation to be added here by Reader)*

God of every time and place, in Jesus' name and filled with your Holy Spirit, we entrust these spoken prayers and those in our hearts into your holy keeping.

**Amen.**

## **PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

## **MEAL**

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

---

## **OFFERING**

*We acknowledge that all we have is a gift from God and in gratefulness  
we return to God a portion of the time, finances, and gifts that God has given us.  
Thank you so much for your continued support.*

## **OFFERING PRAYER**

Living God, you gather the wolf and the lamb to feed together in your peaceable reign, and you welcome us all at your table. Reach out to us through this meal, and show us your wounded and risen body, that we may be nourished and believe in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy God,  
our Maker, Redeemer, and Healer,  
in the harmonious world of your creation,  
the plants and animals,  
the seas and stars  
were whole and well in your praise.

When sin had scarred the world,  
you sent your Son to heal our ills  
and to form us again into one.

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 for the 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 for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore,  
his acts of healing,  
his body given up,  
and his victory over death,  
we await that day when all the peoples of the earth  
will come to the river to enjoy the tree of life.

Send your Spirit upon us and this meal:  
as grains scattered on the hillside become one bread,  
so let your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth,  
that all may be fed with the Bread of life, your Son.

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

**Amen**

## LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us using the language of our hearts.  
**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.**

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

In Christ's presence there is fullness of joy.  
Come to the banquet.

*All are welcome to join in our communion celebration.  
Please follow the directions of Pastor Carolyn and the ushers.*

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Life-giving God,  
through this meal you have bandaged our wounds  
and fed us with your mercy.  
Now send us forth to live for others,  
both friend and stranger,  
that all may come to know your love.  
This we pray in the name of Jesus.  
**Amen.**

*The congregation is invited to stand as they are able.*

## SENDING

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

---

## BLESSING

The God of peace,  
Father, ✝ Son, and Holy Spirit,  
bless you, comfort you,  
and show you the path of life  
this day and always.  
**Amen.**

## SENDING SONG

*Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!* (ELW 413)

*Words and music on next page*





1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God Al - might - y!  
2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee,  
3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide thee,  
4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!



Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee.  
cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;  
though the eye of sin - ful - ness thy glo - ry may not see,  
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!  
cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,  
on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee,  
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!



God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!  
which wert and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.  
per - fect in pow'r, in love and pu - ri - ty.  
God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

*Please be seated.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

*After brief announcements related to the ministry of Bethel, the congregation is invited to stand and face the font.*

## DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Love your neighbor.

**Thanks be to God and we will.**