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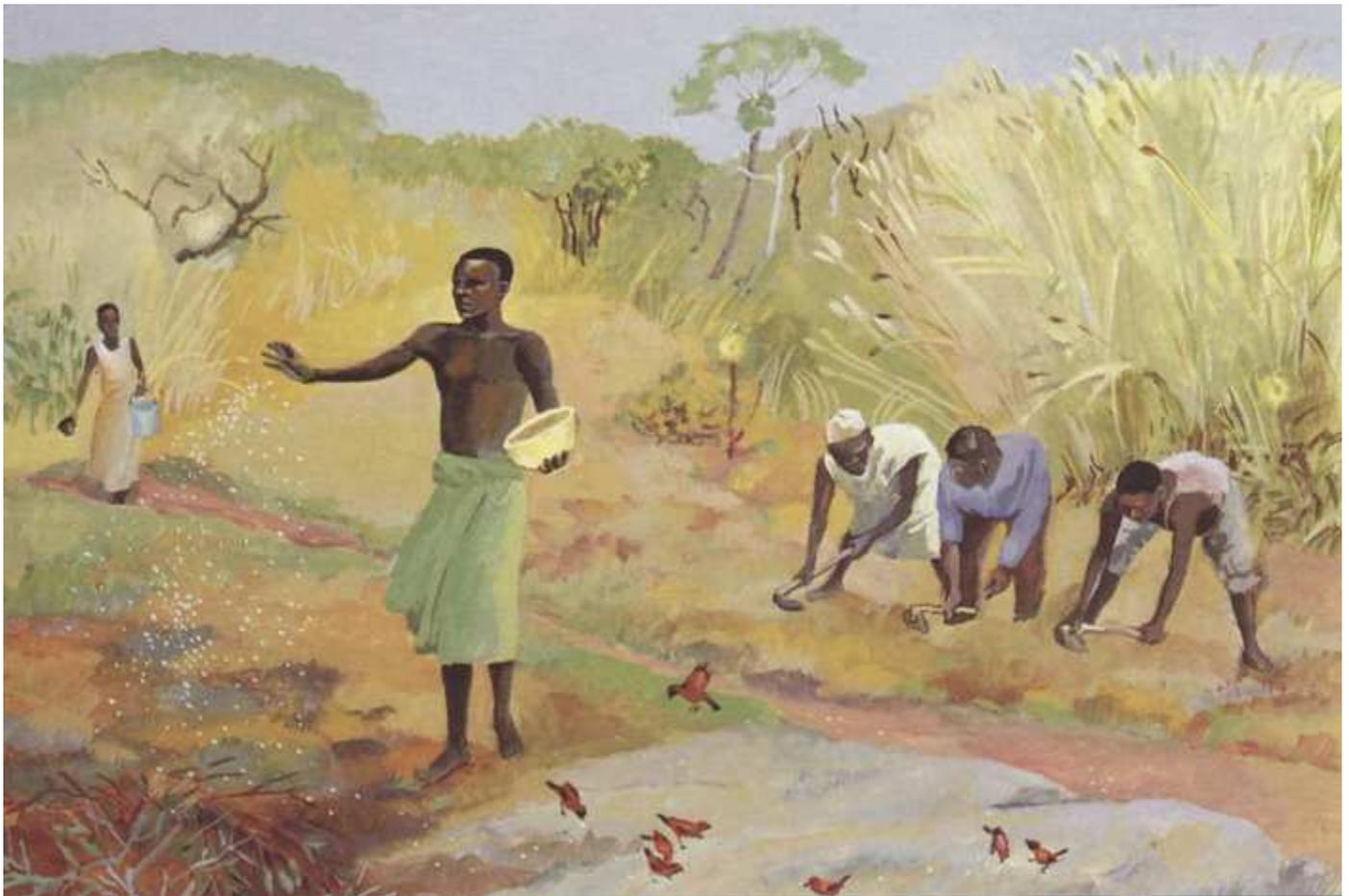
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JESUS MAFA. The parable of the sower, from Art in the Christian Tradition, a project of the Vanderbilt Divinity Library, Nashville, TN. <http://diglib.library.vanderbilt.edu/act-imagelink.pl?RC=48309> [retrieved June 30, 2020]. Original source: <http://www.librairie-emmanuel.fr> (contact page: <https://www.librairie-emmanuel.fr/contact>).

7th Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 11)
July 19, 2020, 9:30 a.m.

THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude – Brett Hanley

Welcome – Pastor Julie Morris and Fr. Greg Larkin

Opening Acclamation

P: Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

C: Glory to God forever and ever.

Entrance Hymn – “Come, Ye Thankful People, Come” – ELW 693



1 Come, ye thank-ful peo - ple, come; raise the song of har - vest home.
2 All the world is God's own field, fruit un - to his praise to yield;
3 For the Lord our God shall come and shall take his har - vest home;
4 E - ven so, Lord, quick - ly come to thy fi - nal har - vest home.



All be safe - ly gath - ered in ere the win - ter storms be - gin.
wheat and tares to - geth - er sown, un - to joy or sor - row grown.
from his field shall in that day all of - fens - es purge a - way;
Gath - er then thy peo - ple in, free from sor - row, free from sin,



God, our mak - er, doth pro - vide for our wants to be sup - plied.
First the blade, and then the ear, then the full corn shall ap - pear.
give his an - gels charge at last in the fire the tares to cast,
there, for - ev - er pu - ri - fied, in thy gar - ner to a - bide.



Come to God's own tem - ple, come, raise the song of har - vest home.
Lord of har - vest, grant that we whole - some grain and pure may be.
but the fruit - ful ears to store in his gar - ner ev - er - more.
Come, with all thine an - gels, come, raise the glo - rious har - vest home!

Text: Henry Alford, 1810–1871, alt.

Music: ST. GEORGE'S, WINDSOR, George J. Elvey, 1816–1893

Collect for the Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Let us pray.

Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, you know our necessities before we ask and our ignorance in asking: Have compassion on our weakness, and mercifully give us those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask; through the worthiness of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

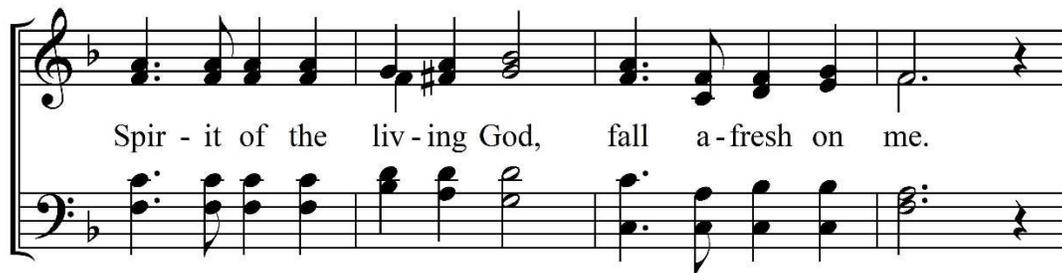
C: **Amen.**

Children's Message – Pastor Julie Morris

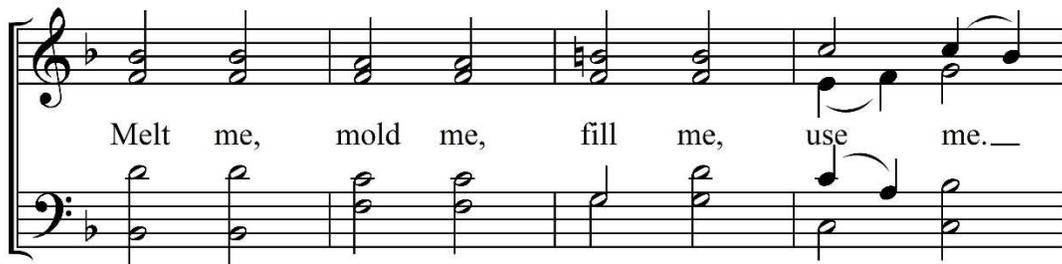
Children's Song – "Spirit of the Living God"



Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me.



Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me.



Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me. —



Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me.



Know that I am
with you and
will keep you
wherever you go.

GENESIS 28:15, NRSV

First Lesson: Genesis 28:10-19a

God appears to Jacob in a dream, continuing the promises he made to Jacob's forefathers: a great nation of descendants and the blessings to all people of the earth.

Jacob left Beersheba and went toward Haran. He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. And he dreamed that there was a ladder set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven; and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. And the LORD stood beside him and said, "I am the LORD, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring; and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you." Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, "Surely the LORD is in this place—and I did not know it!" And he was afraid, and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven." So Jacob rose early in the morning, and he took the stone that he had put under his head and set it up for a pillar and poured oil on the top of it. He called that place Bethel.

L: For the Word of God in Scripture, for the Word of God among us,
for the Word of God within us.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Song of Praise – “Blessing, Honor, and Glory” – ELW 433

Blessing, honor, glory to the Lamb.
Holy, righteous, worthy is the Lamb.
Death could not hold him down, for he is risen!
Seated upon the throne, he is the Lamb of God!
Blessing, honor, glory to the Lamb.
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Blessing, honor, glory to the Lamb.
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Second Lesson: Romans 8:12-25

*We are empowered by the Holy Spirit to do the good and the right, even as this may result in suffering.
We live in hope of God's coming glory.*

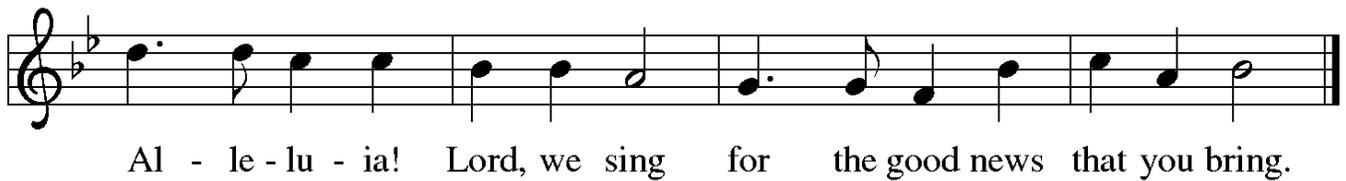
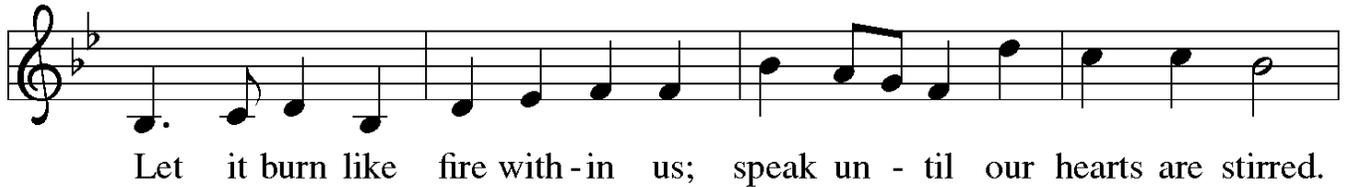
Brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, “Abba! Father!” it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him. I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

L: For the Word of God in Scripture, for the Word of God among us,
for the Word of God within us.

C: **Thanks be to God.**



Gospel Acclamation – “Alleluia” – ELW Setting Ten, p. 205



Gospel: Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

The parable of the wheat and the tares encourages us to live in faithful humility, knowing that while evil surrounds us, it does not overcome us.

P: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Matthew.

C: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus put before the crowd another parable: “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, ‘Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?’ He answered, ‘An enemy has done this.’ The slaves said to him, ‘Then do you want us to go and gather them?’ But he replied, ‘No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, ‘Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.’” Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, “Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.” He answered, “The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Sermon – Pastor Julie Morris

Hymn of the Day – “As Jacob with Travel Was Weary One Day”

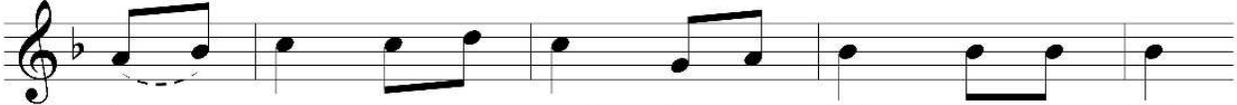
Verses



1. As Ja - cob with trav - el was wea - ry one day, —
2. The lad - der is long, it is strong and well - made,
3. Come, let us a - scend! All may climb it who will, —
4. And when we ar - rive — at the ha - ven of rest, —



at — night on a stone for a pil - low he lay;
has stood hun - dreds of years and is not yet de - cayed;
for the an - gels of Ja - cob are guard - ing it still;
we shall hear the glad words, "Come to me all the blest,



he — saw in a vi - sion a lad - der so high,
man - y mil - lions have climbed it and reached Zi - on's hill,
and re - mem - ber, each step that by faith we pass o'er,
here are re - gions of light, here are man - sions of bliss."



that its foot was on earth and its top in the sky:
man - y mil - lions by faith — now are climb - ing it still:
man - y pro - phets and mar - tyr's have trod it be - fore:
Who would not want to climb such a lad - der as this:

Refrain



Al - le - lu - ia to Je - sus, who died on the tree —



and has raised up a lad - der of mer - cy for me,



and has raised up a lad - der of mer - cy for me.

Words: English carol, ca. 18th cent.

Music: JACOB'S LADDER, English folk melody.

The Creed (*Iona Abbey Worship Book*)

We believe in God above us,
maker and sustainer of all life,
of sun and moon,
of water and earth,
of male and female.

We believe in God beside us,
Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh,
born of a woman, servant of the poor,
tortured and nailed to a tree.
A man of sorrows, He died forsaken.
He descended into the earth
to the place of death.
On the third day he rose from the tomb.
He ascended into heaven
to be everywhere present,
and His Kingdom will come on earth.

We believe in God within us,
the Holy Spirit of Pentecostal fire,
life-giving breath of the Church,
Spirit of healing and forgiveness,
source of Resurrection and of eternal life.
Amen.

Prayers of the People

(Today's Prayers are adapted from Clouds and Glory: Prayers for the Church Year, by David Adam.)

A: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Each intercession ends with "Good and gracious God." All respond: "Grant us a glimpse of your glory."

A: O God, be a tower of strength to all who trust in you; and because through the weakness of our mortal nature we can do no good without you, empower us to work for your freedom and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.



Confession

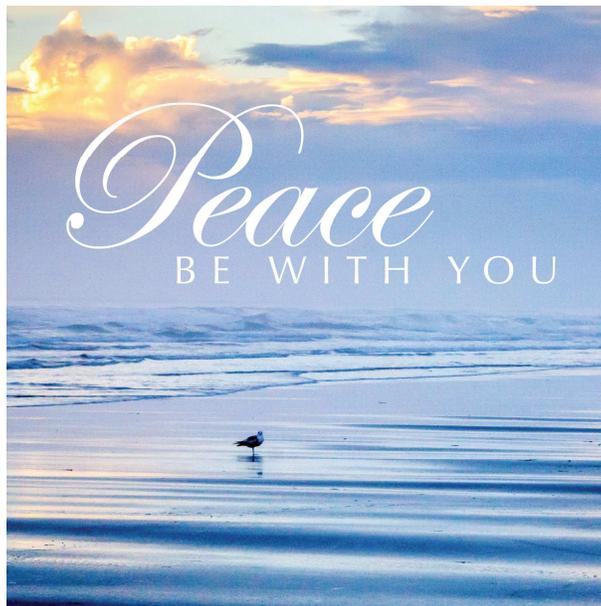
P: Let us confess our sins to God.

C: **God of all mercy,
we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.
We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done,
and the evil done on our behalf.
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us
through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love
and serve only your will.
Amen.**

Absolution

P: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your 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.

C: **Amen.**



The Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

C: **And also with you.**

Offering Song – “There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy”



1. There's a wide - ness in God's mer - cy like the
2. There is no place where earth's sor - rows are more
3. For the love of God is ___ broad - er than the



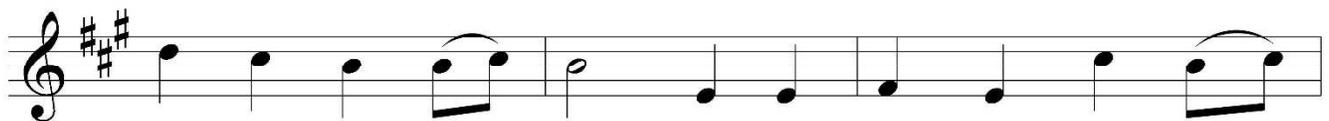
wide-ness of the sea; there's a kind - ness in his ___
felt than up in ___ heav'n; there is no place where earth's
mea - sure of the mind; and the heart of the E -



jus - tice, which is more than lib - er - ty.
fail - ings have such kind - ly judg - ment giv'n.
ter - nal is most won - der - ful - ly ___ kind.



There is wel - come for the ___ sin - ner, and more
There is plen - ti - ful re - demp - tion in the
If our love were but more faith - ful, we should



gra - ces for the ___ good; there is mer - cy with the ___
blood that has been shed; there is joy for all the ___
take him at his ___ word; and our life would be thanks -



Sa - vior; there is heal - ing in his ___ blood.
mem - bers in the sor - rows of the ___ Head.
giv - ing for the good - ness of the ___ Lord.

Words: Frederick William Faber, 1814-1863, alt.

Music: BEECHER (87. 87. D), John Zundel, 1815-1882, alt.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



Eucharistic Prayer

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

P: God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

C: Glory to you for ever and ever.

P: At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

C: By your will they were created and have their being.

P: From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

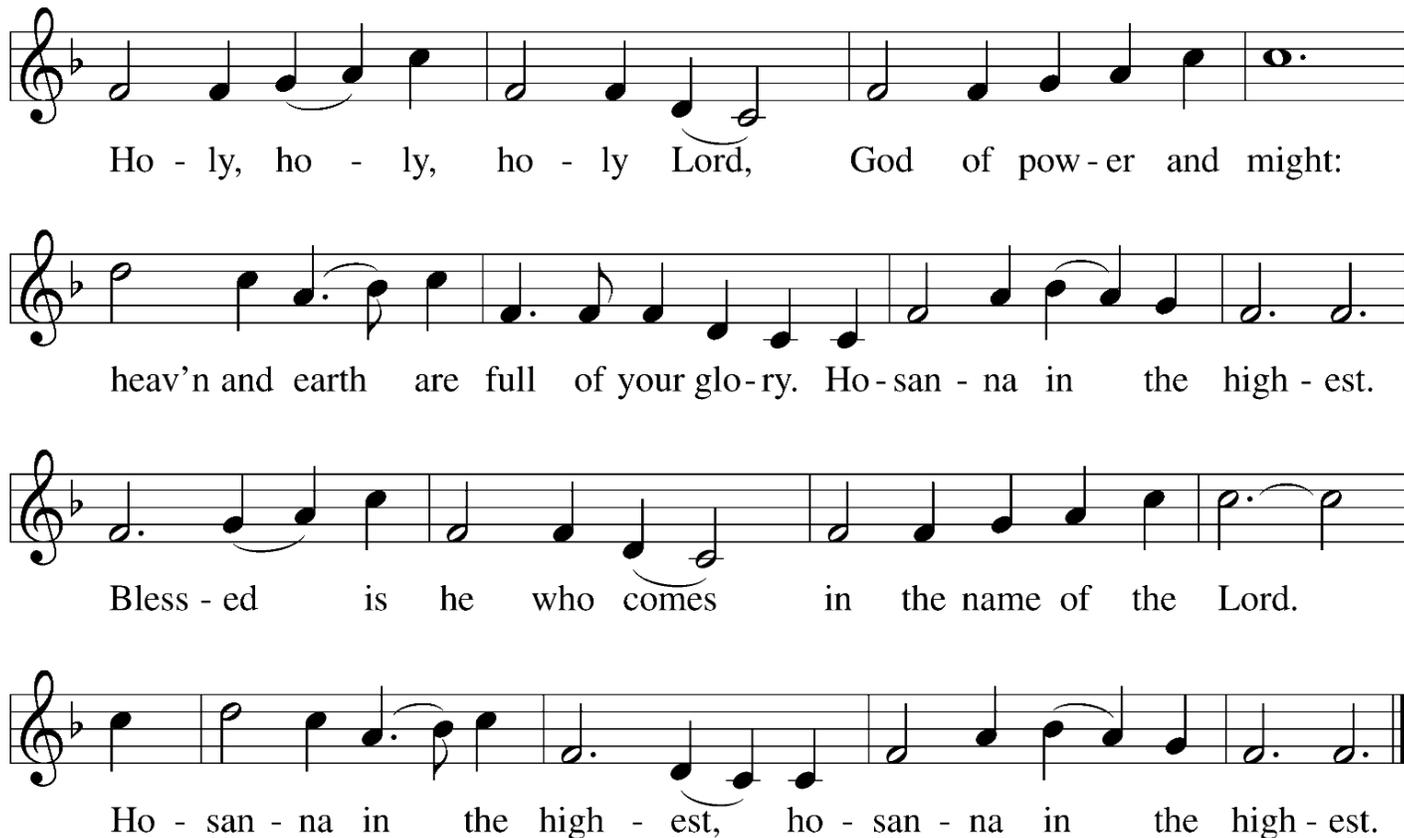
C: Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

P: Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

C: By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

P: And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Sanctus



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might:
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Music: LAND OF REST, American folk tune
Text: "Sanctus," tr. English Language Liturgical Consultation

P: And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving:

C: We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

P: Lord God of our ancestors; God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God of Hannah, Esther, and Ruth; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

C: **Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.**

P: Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation.

C: **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

P: As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray

C: **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.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of Bread

P: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

C: **Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Prayer of Spiritual Communion *(Adapted by Pastor Julie from prayers written by Bishop Guy Erwin and St. Alphonsus Liguori)*

A spiritual communion is a personal devotion that anyone can pray at any time to express their desire to receive Holy Communion at that moment, but in which circumstances impede them for actually receiving Holy Communion. As Martin Luther once wrote: "I can enjoy the sacrament ... every day if only I keep my eyes on the promise, that is, on the words and promise of Christ, which feeds and strengthens my faith."

The presider invites the following prayer to be said by all:

Jesus, my savior and friend, thank you for your presence in the Sacrament of Holy Communion and your presence with us here and now. Trusting your words, "This is my body; this is my blood—given for you," I welcome you into my heart. Let my life witness to your grace and peace. Strengthen all of us with faith, hope, and love until we can meet at your table again. Amen.

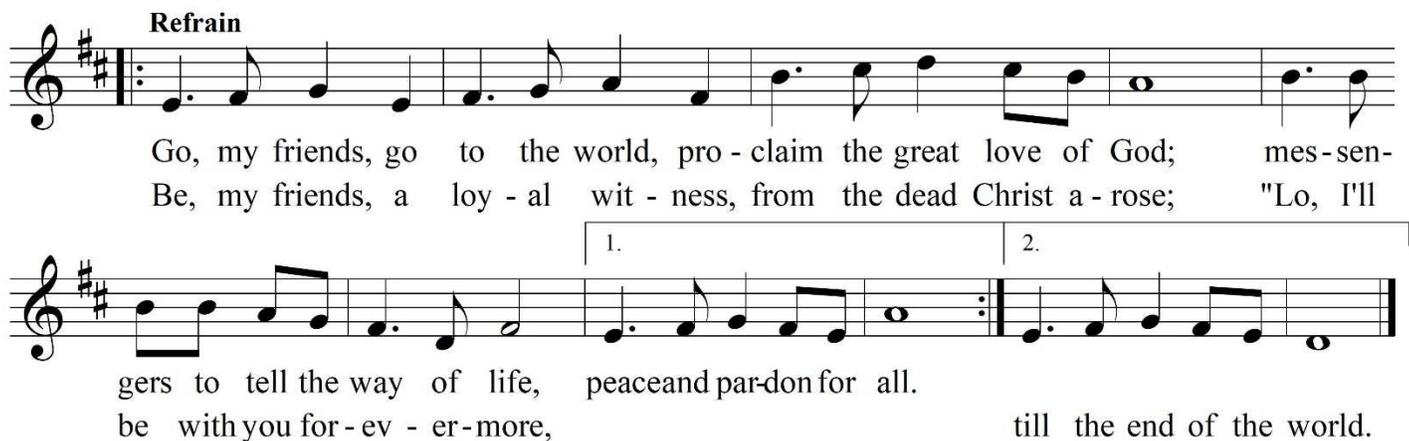
Hymn – “You Are the Seed” (verses 1 and 3)

Verses



1. You are the seed that will grow a new sprout; you're a star that will
 3. You are the life that will nur - ture the plant; you're the waves in a
 shine in the night; you are the yeast and a small grain of salt, a
 tur - bu-lent sea; yes - ter-day's yeast is be - gin - ning to rise, a
 bea - con to glow in the dark. You are the dawn that will bring a new
 new loaf of bread it will yield. There is no place for a cit - y to
 day; you're the wheat that will bear gold - en grain; you are a
 hide, there's no moun-tain can cov - er its might; let your light
 sting and a soft gen-tle touch, to wit-ness where-ev - er you go.
 shine so that your lov-ing works give hon - or and glo - ry to God.

Refrain



Go, my friends, go to the world, pro - claim the great love of God; mes-sen-
 Be, my friends, a loy - al wit - ness, from the dead Christ a - rose; "Lo, I'll
 1. gers to tell the way of life, peace and par-don for all.
 2. be with you for - ev - er - more, till the end of the world.

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Blessing

Dismissal

P: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude – Brett Hanley

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PRAYER CONCERNS from ST. COLUMBA'S

Those with immediate needs:

Jillian, Brad, Sarah, Michael, Doree, Andy, Richard, David, Leanna, Donna, Georgellen, Gerry, Dick, Sarah, Aimee, Ted, Vicky, Judy, Ron, Lisa, Mary, Linda, Jon, Joy, Linda, Savannah, Aracely, Agustin, Loren, Patty, Lori, Roger, Mona, John, Elise, Kylie, Betty, Steven, Terry, Val, Joyce, Ronald, Clark, Danny, Richard, Erin, Ken

and those who need our continuing prayers:

Nancy, Bryant, Lisa, Sofia, John, Wanda, Bev, Jan, Debbie, Roni, Bruce, Pauline, Marty, Alison, Gina, Kerry, Thea, Bob, Harry, Eileen, Taka, Thom, the children at Good Shepherd Mission in Belize, Ingrid, Kalle, Blair, Jill, Betty, Ron, Laura, Danielle, Marlene, Leslie, Susan, Cara, Harold, Ben, Evelyn, Frossula, Sharon, Amory, Karen, Belen, Sally, Rob, Clarice, Rex, Justin, Maria, Pam, Mariana, Luana, Jennie

(Italicized names are St. Columba's parishioners.)

To make changes to the prayer list for St. Columba's, please contact the church office (office.manager@stcolumbaca.com) or 805-482-8831.

PRAYER CONCERNS from MOUNT CROSS

Mike Carpenter and the Carpenter family, Brayden McCormick (former CDC student), **Roger Allmandinger** (brother-in-law of Jim and Susan Prosser), **Jan Beat, Sharon Benner** (sister of Karen Gramacki), **Curt Bensen, Bergit** (cousin-in-law of Barbara Sletten), **Terry Cline** (relative of Jim and Karen Gramacki), **Janet Colby, Rob Conant, Barbara D'Addario, the family of Brigitte Deering, Steve Engh, Karen Geutschoff, Ron Higgenbotham, the family of Robert Jackson, Karen Nelson, Jeff Seifert** (uncle of Melissa Henry), **Byron Selbrede** (brother of Keith Selbrede), **Frank Walker** (husband of Carolyn Vang-Walker).

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