

**+ Triduum – Maundy Thursday**

**April 6, 2023**

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**Order for Worship**

*This evening our Lenten observance comes to an end, and we gather with Christians around the world to celebrate the Triduum – the Three Days of Jesus’ death and resurrection. Tonight we remember Christ’s last meal with his disciples, but the central focus is his commandment that we live out the promise embodied in this meal. As Jesus washed his disciples’ feet, so we are called to give and receive love in humble service to one another. Formed into a new body in Christ through this holy meal, we are transformed by the mercy we have received and carry it into the world. Departing worship in solemn silence, we anticipate the coming days.*

* Masks are optional at St. Andrew when Covid-19 community level in Allegheny County is in the low and medium categories.
* Worship Services are live streamed to multiple online platforms. By attending worship, you agree that your image and voice may be broadcast.

**Welcome to St. Andrew!**

* *St. Andrew Lutheran congregation welcomes all who are seeking a place of healing and wholeness – a nurturing, faith-forming spiritual home. Our community embraces people of all ages, ethnicities, cultures, abilities, sexual orientations, gender identities and expressions, and family constellations. Come and See!*
* *Worship “toolkits” to help children engage with the service are available in the black bookcase at the back of the worship space. There are “reader” and “pre-reader” resources available in each kit. Please feel free to use the kits for/with your children during worship.*
* *St. Andrew has returned to the Sharing of Peace during worship. Please be mindful that some people will not be comfortable with sharing the peace; be sure to obtain consent before any physical expression of peace such as shaking hands or hugging.*
* *Holy Communion is served with bread (gluten-free available) and wine or grape juice. The presiding minister will distribute the bread (host). Please consume this and then pick up an empty glass from the tray. The Communion Assistant will pour wine or grape juice into your glass. Please step to the side to consume the wine or grape juice. As you return to your pew, glasses may be returned to the empty trays on either side of the center aisle.*
* *A restroom is available on the main level of the church, in the main office.*

**Gathering**

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

*Please rise as you are able.*

**Confession and Forgiveness**

P: Friends in Christ, in this Lenten season

we have heard our Lord’s call to struggle against sin, death, and the devil—

all that keeps us from loving God and each other.

This is the struggle to which we were called at Baptism.

Within the community of the church,

God never wearies of forgiving sin and giving the peace of reconciliation.

On this night let us confess our sin against God and our neighbor,

and enter the celebration of the great Three Days

reconciled with God and with one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection and self-examination*

P: Most merciful God,

**C: we confess that we are captive to sin**

**and cannot free ourselves.**

**We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,**

**by what we have done and by what we have left undone.**

**We have not loved you with our whole heart;**

**we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

**For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ,**

**have mercy on us.**

**Forgive us, renew us, and lead us,**

**so that we may delight in your will**

**and follow in your ways,**

**to the glory of your holy name.**

**Amen.**

P: God, who is rich in mercy,

loved us even when we were dead in sin,

and made us alive together with Christ.

By grace you have been saved.

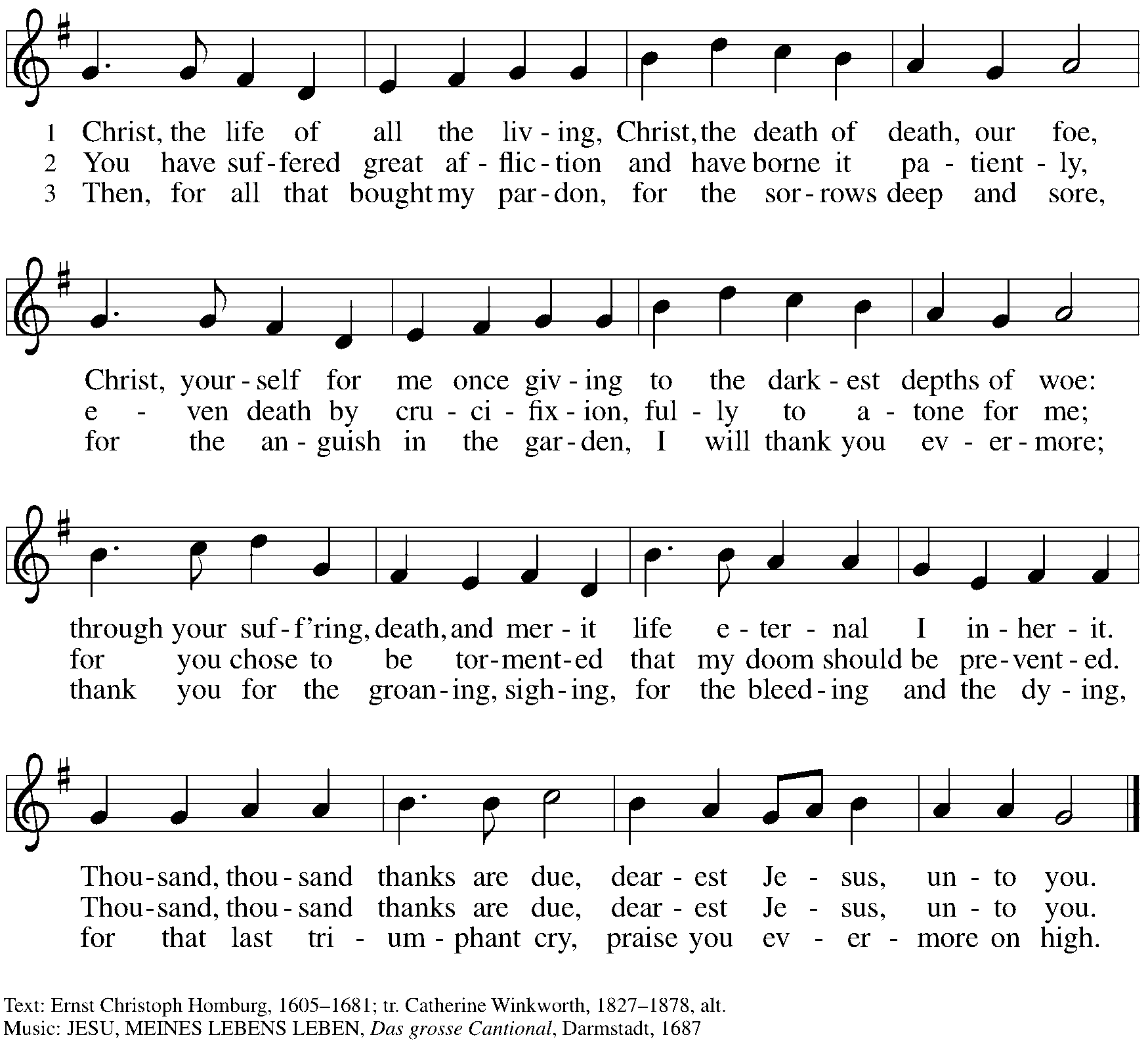
In the name of ☩ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.

Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit,

that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

**C: Amen.**

**Gathering Hymn Christ, the Life of All the Living *ELW* 339**

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**Greeting**

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,

and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C: And also with you.**

**Prayer of the Day**

P: Let us pray. Holy God, source of all love,

on the night of his betrayal, Jesus gave us a new commandment,

to love one another as he loves us.

Write this commandment in our hearts,

and give us the will to serve others as he was the servant of all,

your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord,

who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

**Word**

*God speaks to us in Scripture reading, preaching, and song*

**First Reading** **–** **Exodus 12: 1-4 [5-10] 11-14**

1The Lord said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: 2This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. 3Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. 4If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbor in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it.

[5Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. 6You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. 7They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. 8They shall eat the lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. 9Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs. 10You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn.] 11This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the passover of the Lord. 12For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, both human beings and animals; on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the Lord. 13The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt.  
 14This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the Lord; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

L: Word of God, word of life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 116: 1-2, 12-19**

*The cantor will lead the singing of the psalm.*

*The congregation is invited to respond with the alternate verses in bold print,*

*and to join in singing the refrain.*

*Psalm tone*



*Psalm refrain*



 1I love the Lord, who has **|** heard my voice,  
  and listened to my **|** supplication,  
 2**for the Lord has given | ear to me**  
  **whenev- | er I called.**  
 12How shall I re- **|** pay the Lord  
  for all the good things God has **|** done for me?  
 13**I will lift the cup | of salvation**  
  **and call on the name | of the Lord. R**  
 14I will fulfill my vows **|** to the Lord  
  in the presence of **|** all God’s people.  
 15**Precious in your | sight, O Lord,**  
  **is the death | of your servants.**  
 16O Lord, truly I **|** am your servant;  
  I am your servant, the child of your handmaid; you have freed me **|** from my bonds.  
 17**I will offer you the sacrifice | of thanksgiving**  
  **and call upon the name | of the Lord.**  
 18I will fulfill my vows **|** to the Lord  
  in the presence of **|** all God’s people,  
 19**in the courts of | the Lord’s house,**  
  **in the midst of you, | O Jerusalem. R**

**Second Reading – 1 Corinthian****s 11: 23-26**

23For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, 24and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, “This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.” 25In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.” 26For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes.

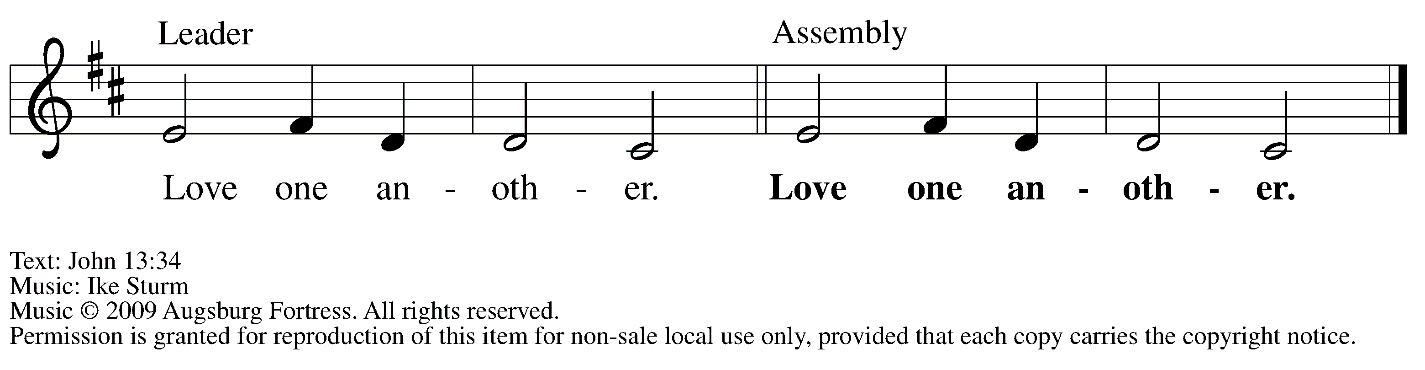
L: Word of God, word of life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

*Please rise as you are able.*

**Gospel Verse** **I Give You a New Commandment *MSB1* S441**

*Cantor*:I give you a **|** new commandment, that you love one another just as I **|** have loved you.



**Gospel – John 13: 1-17, 31b-35**

P: The holy Gospel according to St. John.

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

1Now before the festival of the Passover, Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart from this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. 2The devil had already put it into the heart of Judas son of Simon Iscariot to betray him. And during supper 3Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, 4got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. 5Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples’ feet and to wipe them with the towel that was tied around him. 6He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, “Lord, are you going to wash my feet?” 7Jesus answered, “You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand.” 8Peter said to him, “You will never wash my feet.” Jesus answered, “Unless I wash you, you have no share with me.” 9Simon Peter said to him, “Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!” 10Jesus said to him, “One who has bathed does not need to wash, except for the feet, but is entirely clean. And you are clean, though not all of you.” 11For he knew who was to betray him; for this reason he said, “Not all of you are clean.”  
 12After he had washed their feet, had put on his robe, and had returned to the table, he said to them, “Do you know what I have done to you? 13You call me Teacher and Lord—and you are right, for that is what I am. 14So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another’s feet. 15For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you. 16Very truly, I tell you, servants are not greater than their master, nor are messengers greater than the one who sent them. 17If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them.”

31bNow the Son of Humanity has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. 32If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in Godself and will glorify him at once. 33Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to my opponents among the Jewish leaders so now I say to you, ‘Where I am going, you cannot come.’ 34I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. 35By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

*Please be seated.*

**Sermon**

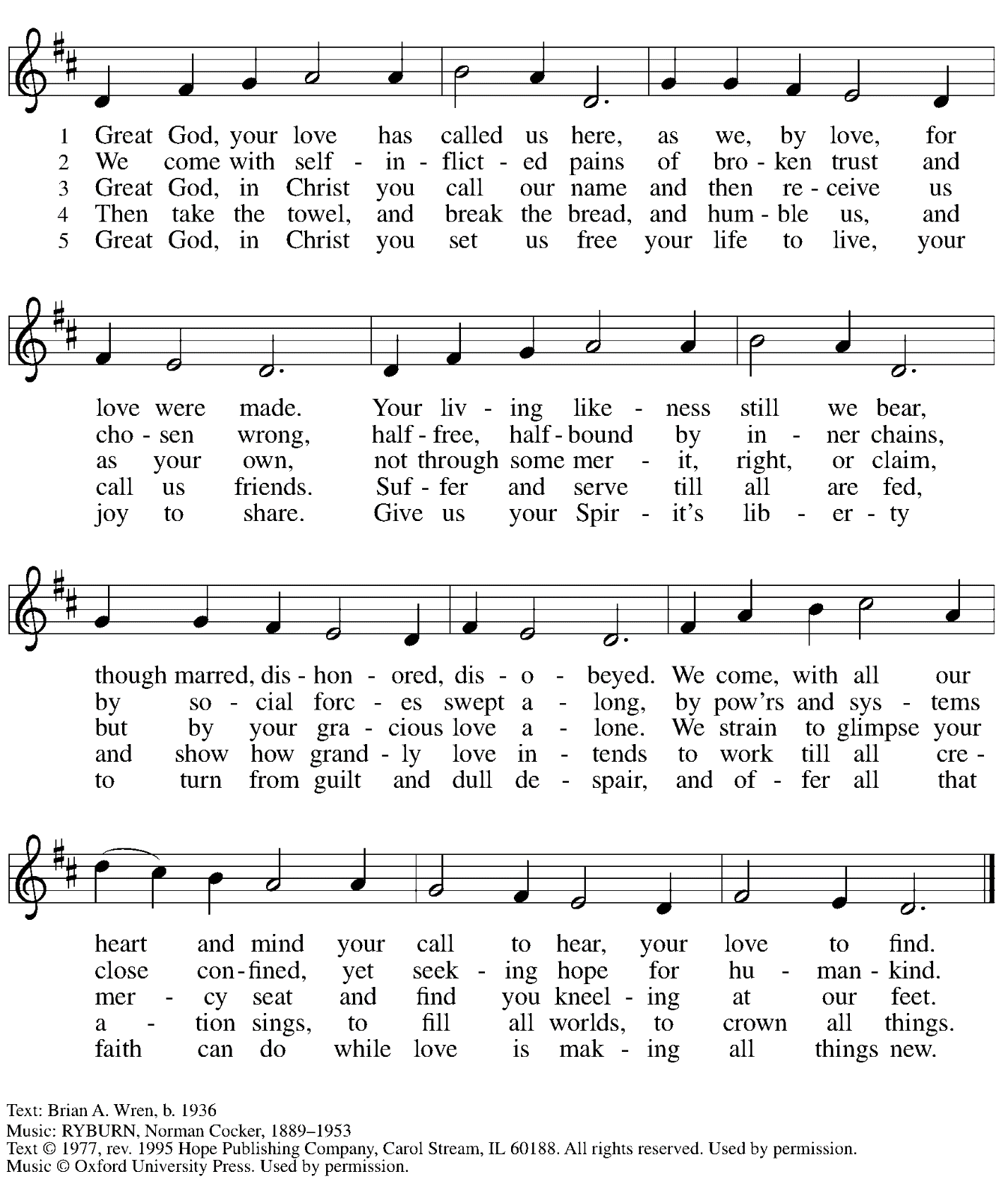
*A period of silence for prayer and reflection follows the sermon.*

*When the Hymn of the Day begins, please rise as you are able.*

**Hymn of the Day Great God, Your Love Has Called Us** *Following Page*



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**Footwashing**

P: On this night, we have heard our Lord’s commandment to love one another as he has loved us. We who receive God’s love in Jesus Christ are called to love one another, to be servants to each other as Jesus became our servant. Our commitment to this loving service is signified in the washing of feet, following the example our Lord gave us on the night before his death.

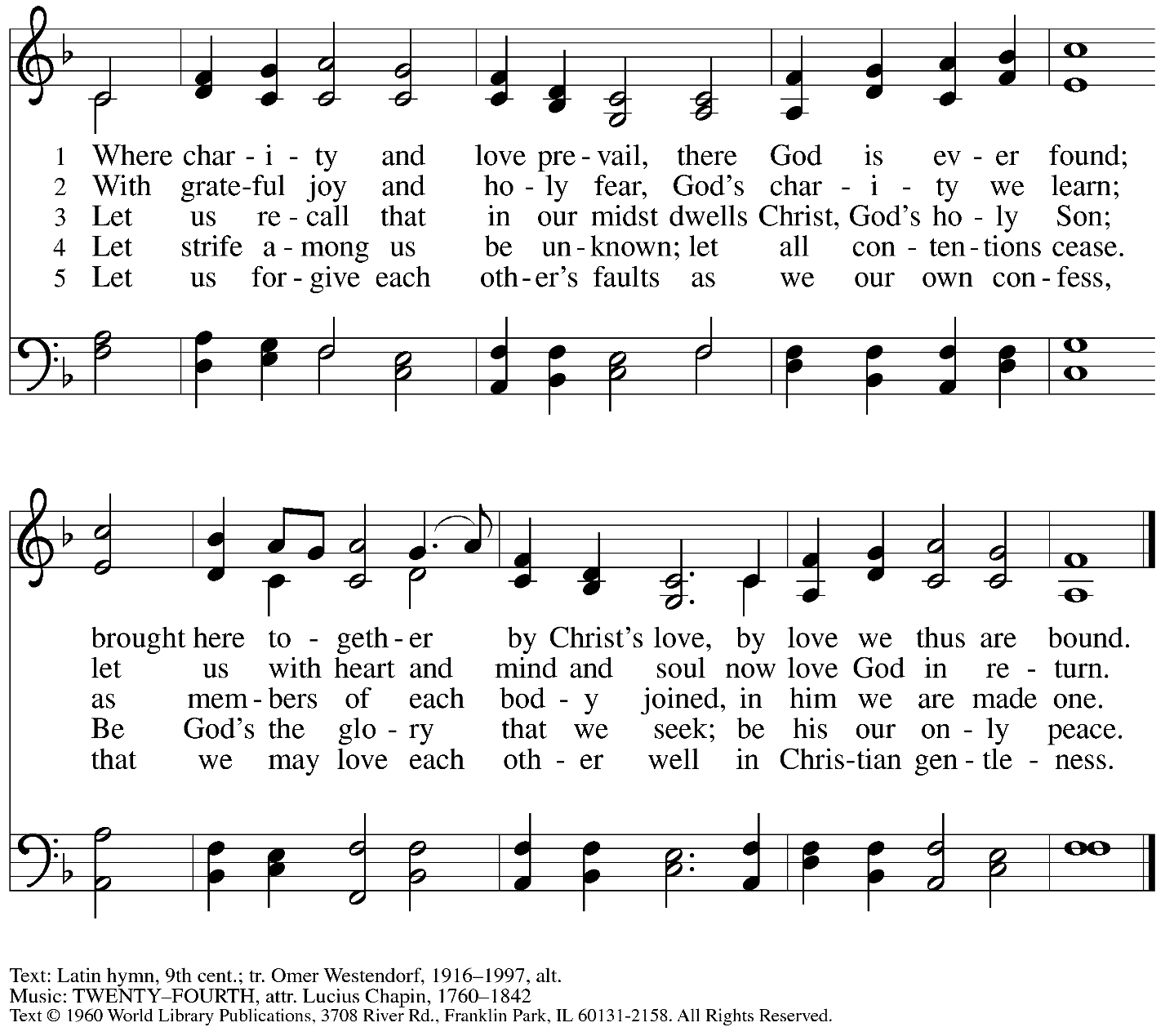
*People of the assembly are invited to come forward and remove shoes and socks*

*as the presiding minister washes the people’s feet.*

*Assembly song accompanies the footwashing.*

**Hymns during Footwashing**

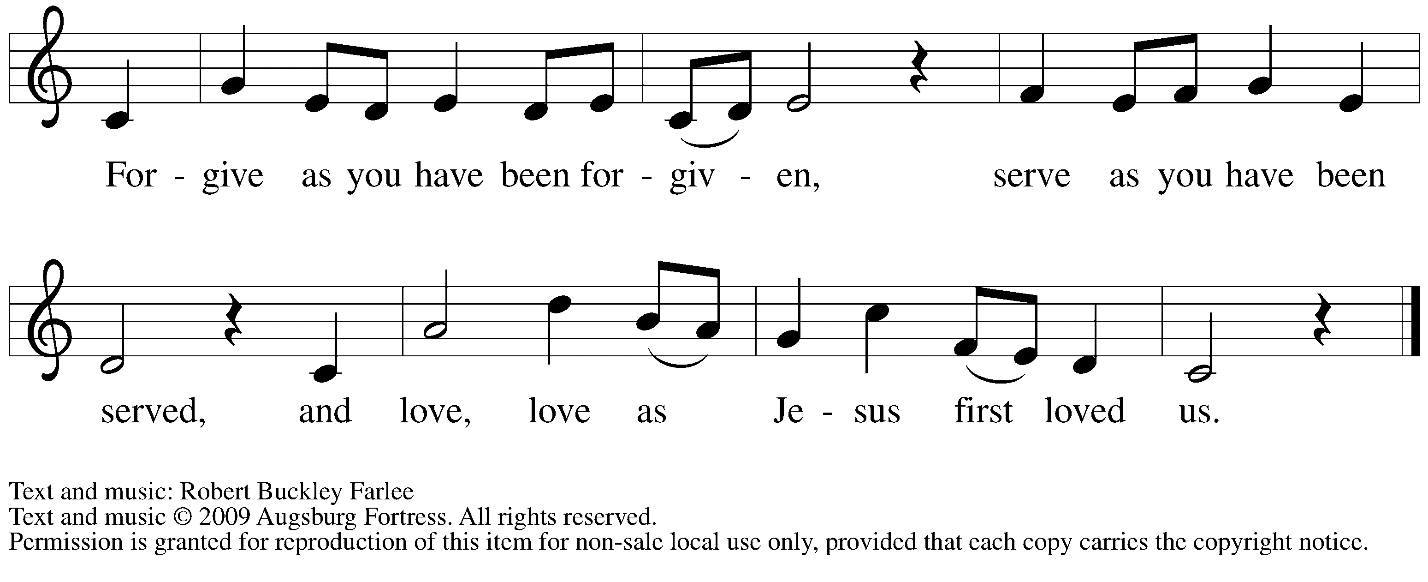
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**Hymns during Footwashing**

**Forgive As You Have Been Forgiven *MSB1* S445**

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**Prayers of the People**

A: Let us pray for new life in the church, new hope for the world,

and God’s love for all who are in need.

*After each petition*

A: Merciful God,

**C: receive our prayer.**

*The presiding minister concludes the prayers*

P: We pray to you, O God, in the name of the one who endured the cross, forgives our sin, and feeds us at his table, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

**Peace**

*The presiding minister and the assembly greet one another in the peace of the risen Christ.*

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C: And also with you.**

*The people may greet those around them with a sign of Christ’s peace and may say*

Peace be with you *or similar words. Please be mindful that not everyone will be comfortable with sharing the peace, so please seek consent before shaking hands or hugging.*

*Other possible ways to share the peace include a simple bow with the verbal greeting of peace, or simply a verbal expression of peace.*

*When the greetings of peace have concluded, please be seated.*

**Meal**

*God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ*

**Offering**

*We offer ourselves, our gifts, and our faithful service to God.*

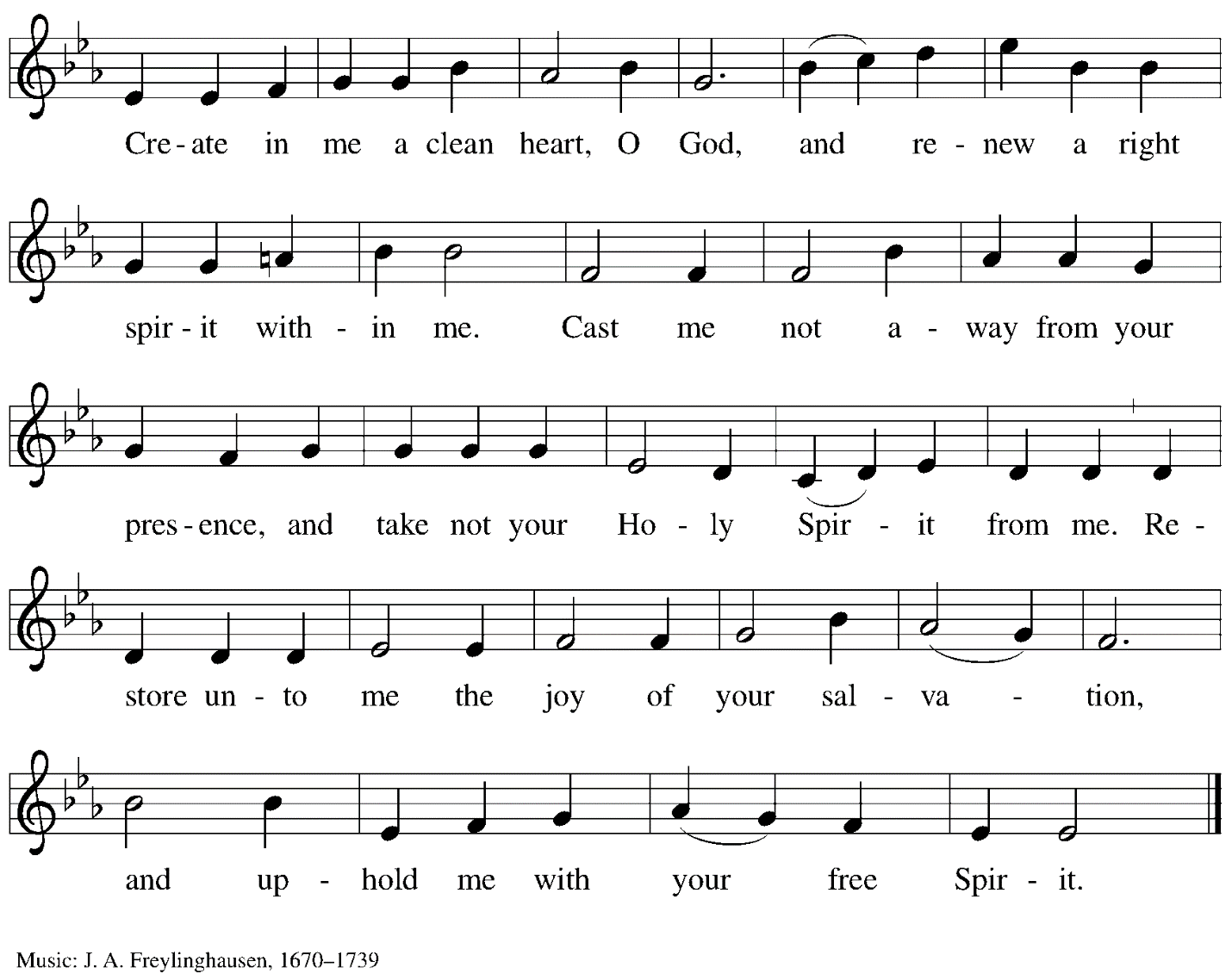
*As the offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need,*

*the table is set for Holy Communion.*

**Music during the Offering**

*As the gifts are brought forward for presentation, please rise as you are able.*

**Offertory Song**

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**Offertory Prayer**

A: Let us pray. God of all creation,

**C:** **You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine.**

**Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence**

**in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**Dialogue**

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.

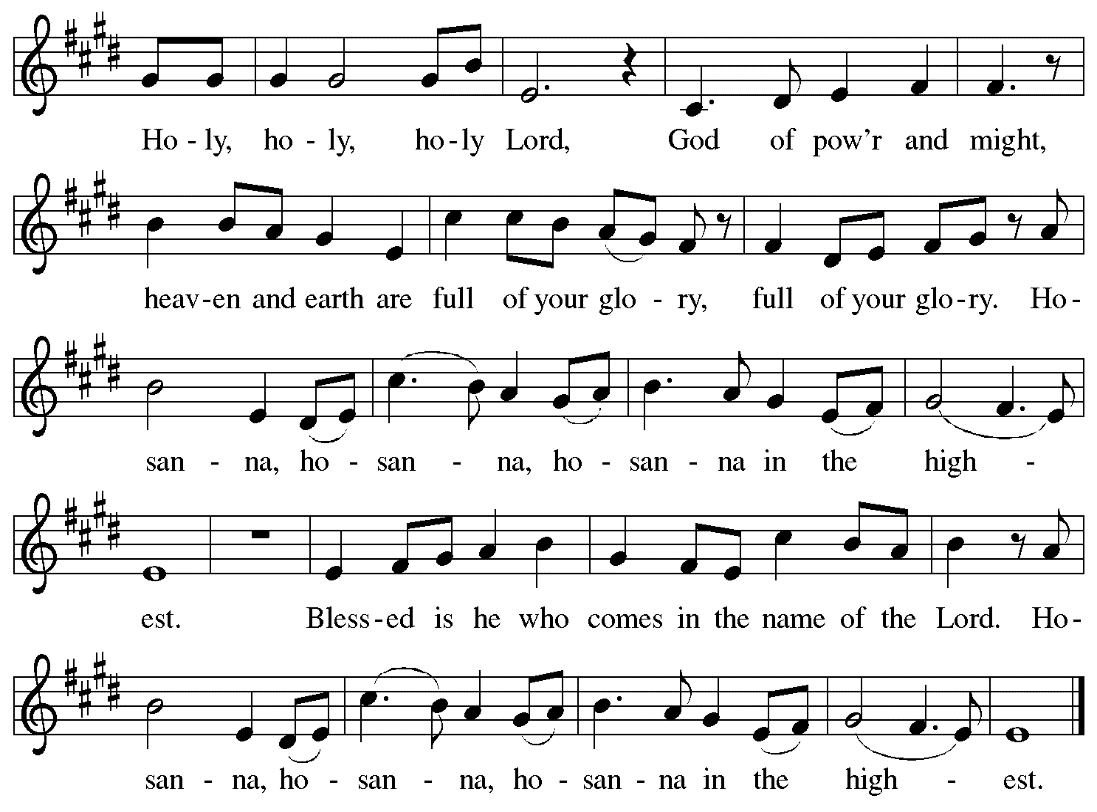
**C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

**Preface**

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy…

… and join their unending hymn.

**Sanctus**

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**Eucharistic Prayer**

P: Blessed are you, O living God, sovereign of time and space …

… Blessed be God forever!

**C: Blessed be God forever!**

P: Blessed are you, O living God, for your glory revealed in Jesus Christ …

… Blessed be God forever!

**C: Blessed be God forever!**

P: On the night in which he was betrayed …

… Do this for the remembrance of me.

Blessed be God forever!

**C: Blessed be God forever!**

P: Blessed are you, O Living God, for your Spirit of love …

Blessed be God forever!

**C: Blessed be God forever!**

P: Amen and Amen.

**C: Amen and Amen.**

**Lord’s Prayer**

P: Gathered as one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**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.**

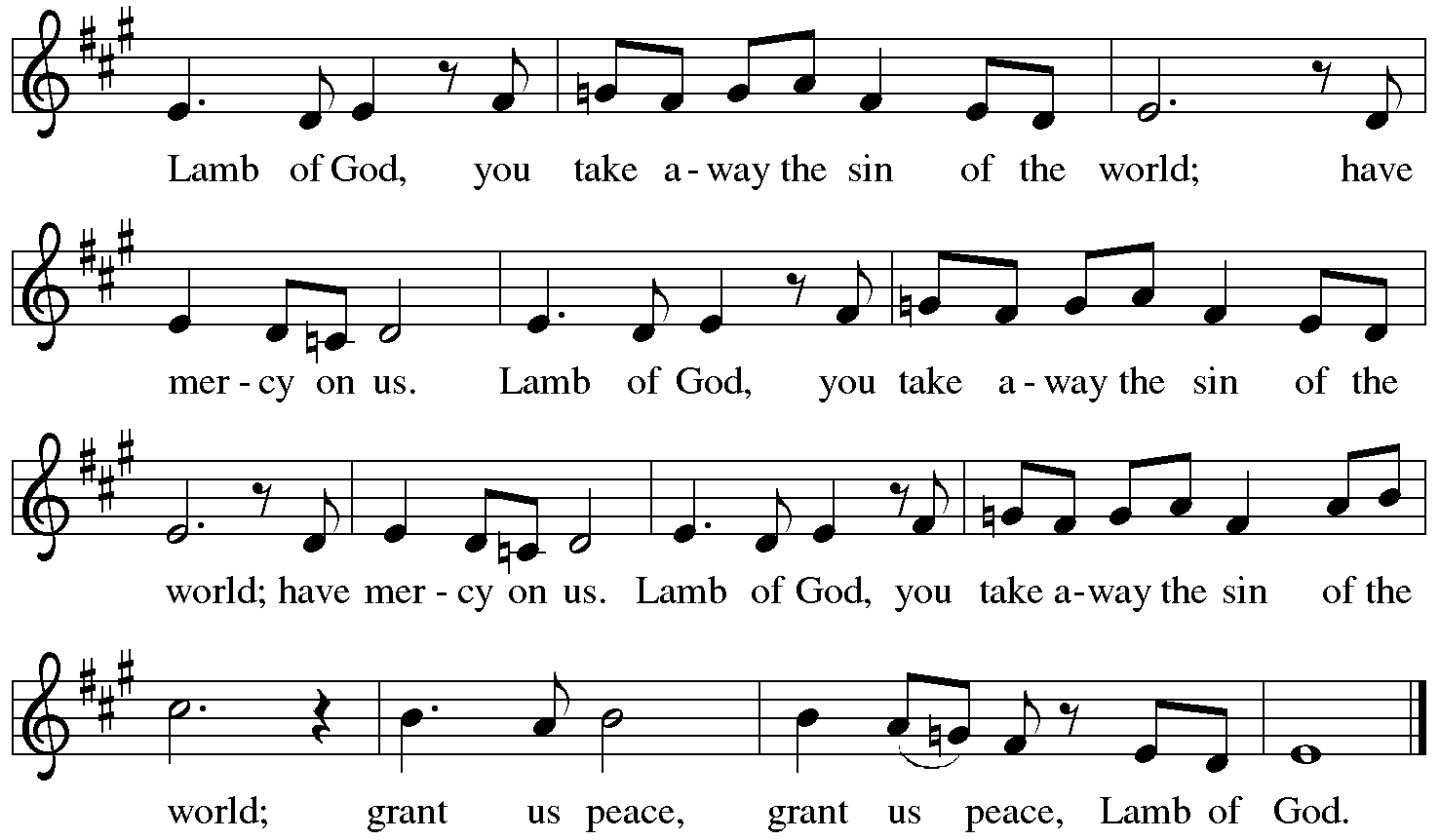
**For the kingdom, the power,**

**and the glory are yours,**

**now and forever. Amen.**

**Fraction and Invitation**

***Agnus Dei /* Lamb of God**



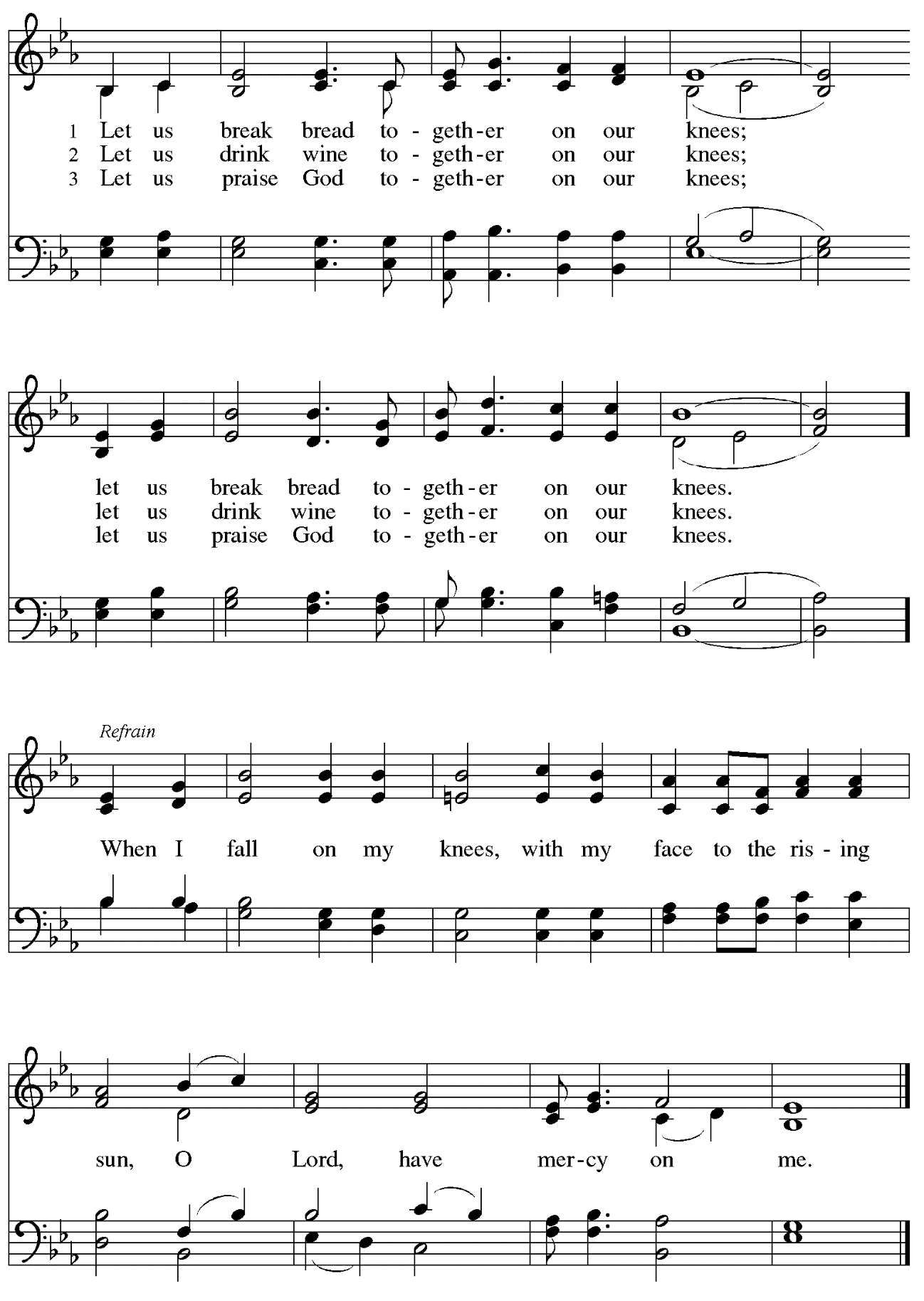
*Please be seated.*

**Holy Communion**

* *All who seek God and desire a deeper life in Christ are welcome to receive Holy Communion.*
* *Worshipers from the pulpit side will proceed forward first, followed by the center section, and then the lectern side.*
* *Please inform an usher if you would like the ministers to bring Communion to you.*
* *Holy Communion will be served with bread and wine/grape juice.*
* *The presiding minister will first distribute the bread (host) to each communicant. Please indicate if you require a gluten-free host.*
* *Once you have consumed the bread, please pick up an empty glass from the tray next to the presiding minister. The Communion Assistant will pour wine from the chalice or grape juice from the cruet into your glass.*
* *Please step to the side to consume the wine or grape juice.*
* *Feel free to kneel at the altar rail for prayer after receiving the sacrament.*
* *As you return to your pew, glasses may be returned to the empty trays on either side of the center aisle.*
* *A blessing will be provided for anyone who does not yet receive the sacrament.*
* *All are invited to join in singing the hymns during Holy Communion.*

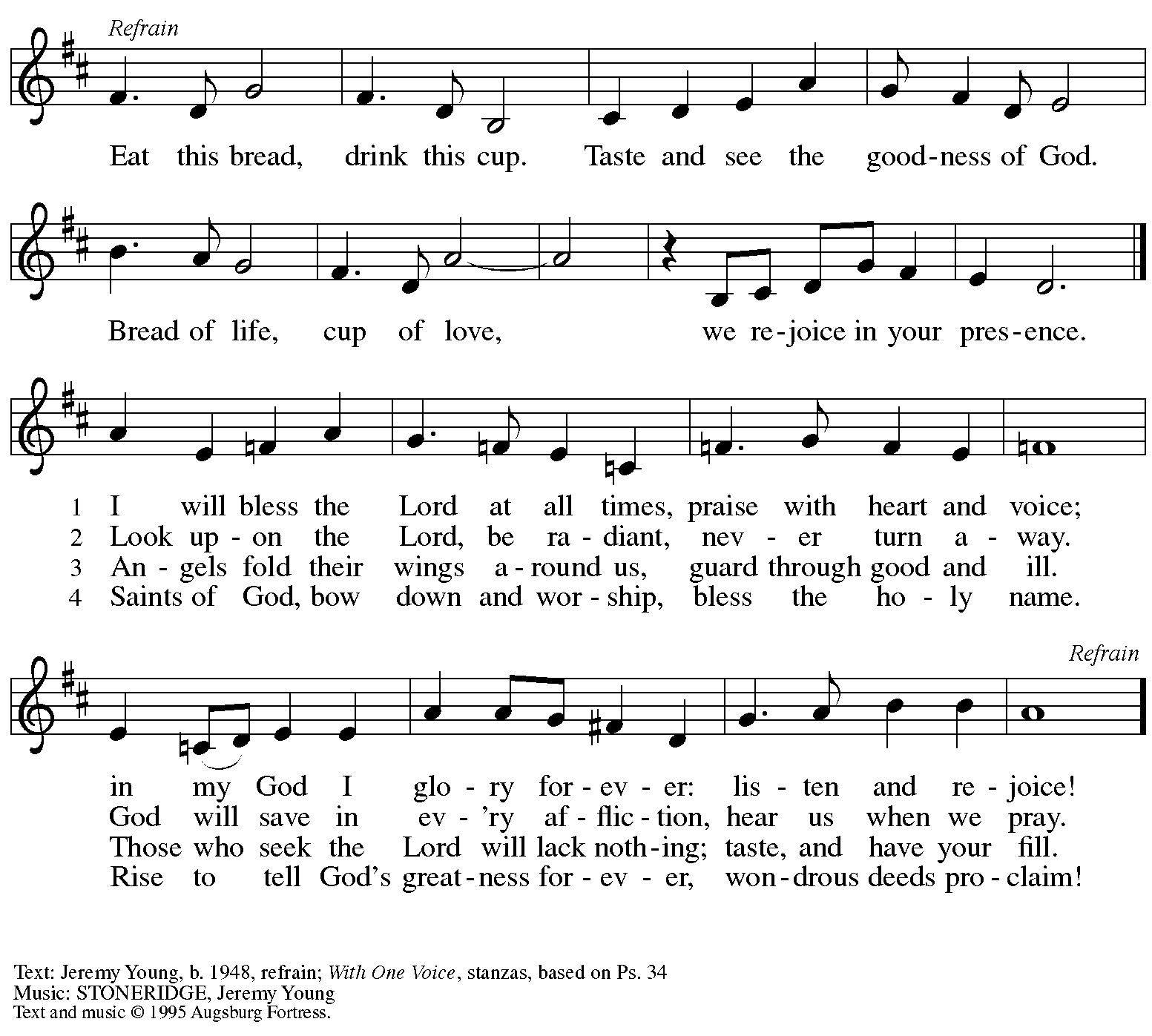
**Hymns during Holy Communion**

**Let Us Break Bread Together *ELW* 471**



**Hymns during Holy Communion**

**Eat This Bread, Drink This Cup *ELW* 492**

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*When all have returned to their places, please rise as you are able.*

**Blessing**

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**C: Amen.**

**Prayer**

A: Let us pray.

A: Lord Jesus, in a wonderful sacrament you strengthen us

with the saving power of your suffering, death, and resurrection.

May this sacrament of your body and blood so work in us

that the fruits of your redemption will show forth in the way we live,

for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

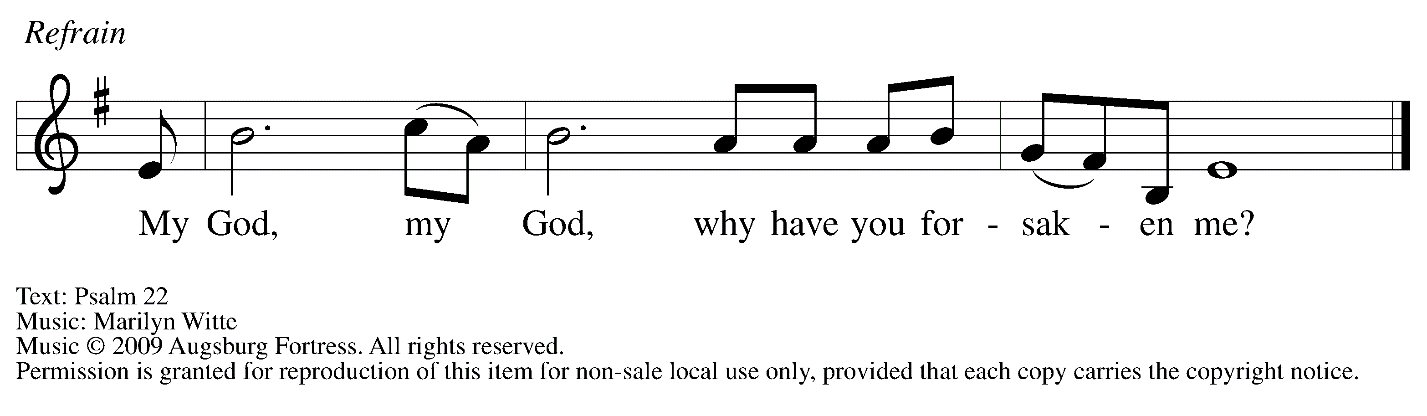
**C: Amen.**

**Stripping of the Altar**

*The service concludes with the stripping of the altar. The assembly is seated. The sacramental elements and vessels, linens, paraments, banners, and books are removed from the worship space. Psalm 22 is sung by the cantor, with the assembly invited to join in on the refrain.*

*Lights are dimmed as the worship space is stripped.*

**Psalm 22**

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*The benediction and dismissal are omitted. All depart in silence.*

*The service of the Triduum continues tomorrow, Good Friday, with worship at 7:00 p.m.*

*Abbreviations*

P: Pastor/Presiding Minister

A: Assisting Minister

L: Lector

**C: Congregation**

***ELW*: *Evangelical Lutheran Worship* hymnal**

***MSB1*: *Musician’s Source Book 1***

*Those serving in worship today*

Altar Care Jodie Minor

Assisting Minister Jimmi Kocher-Hillmer

Audio-Visual Minister Kristen Asplin

Cantor Joseph Paetz

Lector Sue Gaugler

Minister of Music Laura Reynolds

Presiding Minister Pastor Ross Carmichael

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**Let Us Break Bread Together** – Text: African American spiritual. Music: BREAK BREAD TOGETHER, African American spiritual.

**St. Andrew Announcements**

**Thursday, April 6th, 2023**

* **Welcome to Worship at St. Andrew on + Maundy Thursday, April 6th, 2023** –Masks are optional at St. Andrew when Allegheny County’s Covid-19 community level is in the low and medium categories. Worship attendees are invited to make a name tag at the back of the worship space if you would like.
* **Worship Schedule for Holy Week** – The service of the Triduum – the Great Three Days of Holy Week – continues tomorrow with Good Friday, and then the Vigil of Easter on Saturday. The service schedule is:
  + **Little Church – Big Faith Holy Week Service for Children – Friday, April 7th, 5:30 p.m.** – At this service, we tell the story of Maundy Thursday and Good Friday through four interactive stations designed for the young ones of the community.
  + **Triduum –** **Good Friday, April 7th, 7:00 p.m. – Service of Shadows and Stones** – In relative darkness, we hear Gospel accounts of the crucifixion, sing prayerful, meditative hymns, and leave stones at the foot of the cross as we honor our crucified Savior.
  + **Triduum –** **The Vigil of Easter, April 8th, 5:00 p.m.** – The church tells God’s story of salvation through worship, word, sacrament, and song as we gather around a fire, hear stories of God’s faithfulness throughout the ages, give thanks for the gift of Baptism, and move into the celebration of the resurrection with Holy Communion
  + **The Resurrection of our Lord – Easter Sunday, April 9th, 10:00 a.m.** – We join the church throughout the world in proclaiming the fullness of the good news in Christ’s Easter resurrection! (Please note that Little Church – Big Faith will not meet during these services, nor will there be a coffee hour.)