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THE DIVINE SERVICE

Rite One

I. The Service of Preparation

1. *The Opening Prayer*

P: O Lord, our Maker, Redeemer, and Comforter, we are assembled in Your presence to hear Your holy Word. We pray You to open our hearts by Your Holy Spirit, that through the preaching of Your Word we may be taught to repent of our sins, to believe on Jesus in life and death, and to grow day by day in grace and holiness. Hear us for Christ's sake. Amen.

2. *The Entrance Hymn or the Introit*

3. *The Confession of Sin*

I

P: Let us bow before the Lord and confess our sins.

Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against You by thought, word and deed. Therefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace, for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C: O most merciful God, You have given Your only-begotten Son to die for us: have mercy upon us, and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You, and of Your will, and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Or:

II

P: Let us confess our sins to God and pray:

We poor sinners confess to You, O God, not only that we have been conceived and born in sin, but also that throughout life we have often and in many ways offended You, our Lord and Maker, in thought, word and deed, so that You could with perfect justice reject and condemn us for all eternity.

Therefore we come before You with sorrow of heart, in dread and terror of Your holy justice and of everlasting death. Our sins are a grievous foe, which we should hate in every way as long as we live.

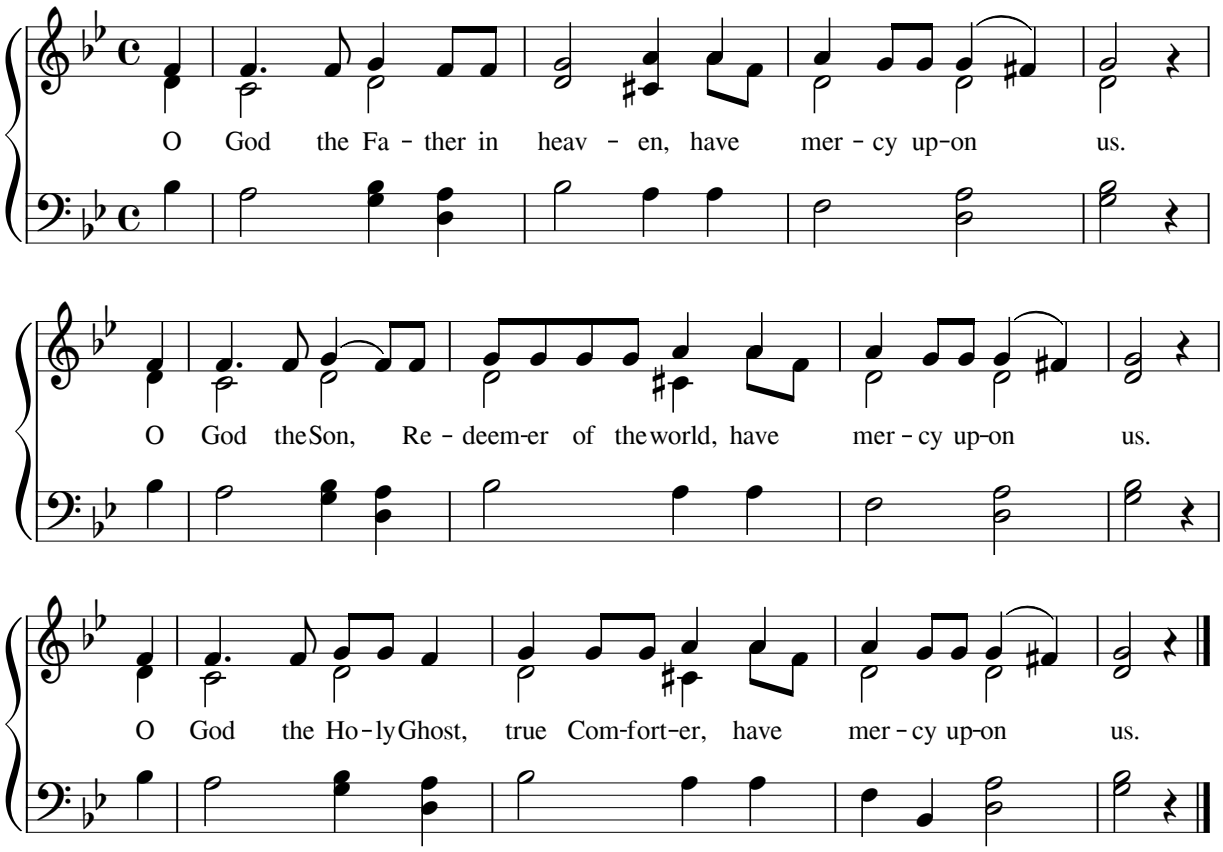
O merciful God, You still grant us in this hour to be reminded of Your fatherly goodness. According to the promise of Your Word we flee for refuge

to Your infinite mercy, and implore You, dearest Father, for the sake of Jesus Christ, Your only-begotten Son, our Brother, who was delivered up for our trespasses and raised again for our justification:

Forgive us all our sins through faith, which the Holy Spirit increases in our hearts to full assurance.

C: We therefore pray You, O Lord, through Your servant to declare to us the forgiveness of all our sins. We poor sinners are willing to forgive all who have offended against us. We earnestly desire to grow in true godliness. Help us, O God, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

4. *The Kyrie Eleison (Lord, have mercy)*



5. *The Absolution*

I **P:** Lift up your hearts unto God!

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us, and has given His only Son to die for us, and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To all who believe on His name He gives power to become the children of God, and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He who believes and is baptized will be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all. Amen.

Or:

II **P:** Hear the holy and comforting Word of our Lord:

Come unto Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. For God so loved the world that He gave His only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

Lift up your hearts! By the authority of God and of my holy office I forgive you all your sins, in the name of the Father and of the Son ✠ and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Or:

III **P:** Upon this your confession, come forward to the altar of the Lord and receive the declaration of the forgiveness of all your sins.

The communicants come forward and kneel at the altar rail.
During the individual absolution appropriate and worthy hymns may be sung.

By the authority of God and of my holy office *(then, with the laying on of hands, saying to each one)* I declare to you the gracious forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father and of the Son ✠ and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

In dismissing the people he shall say:

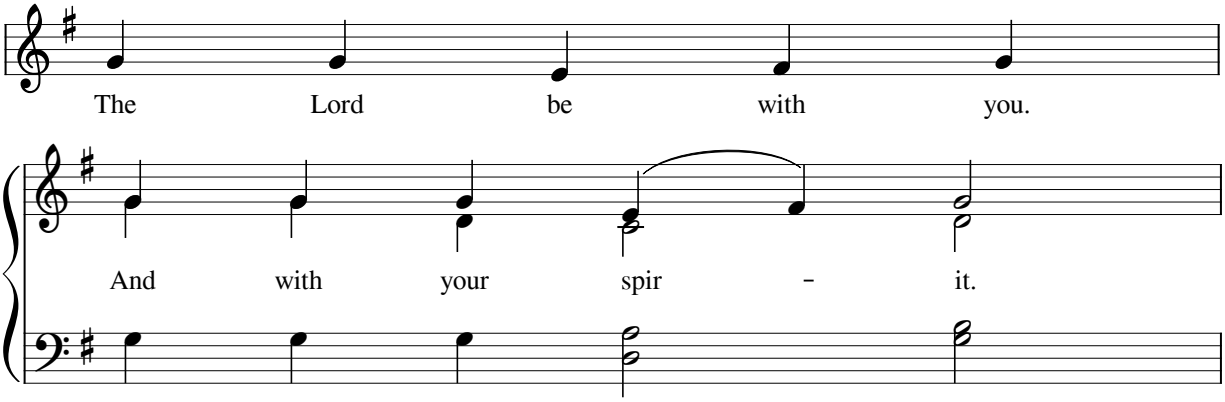
May He who has begun the good work in you perform it until the day of Jesus Christ. Peace be with you. Amen.

6. *The Gloria in Excelsis Deo (Glory to God in the Highest)*

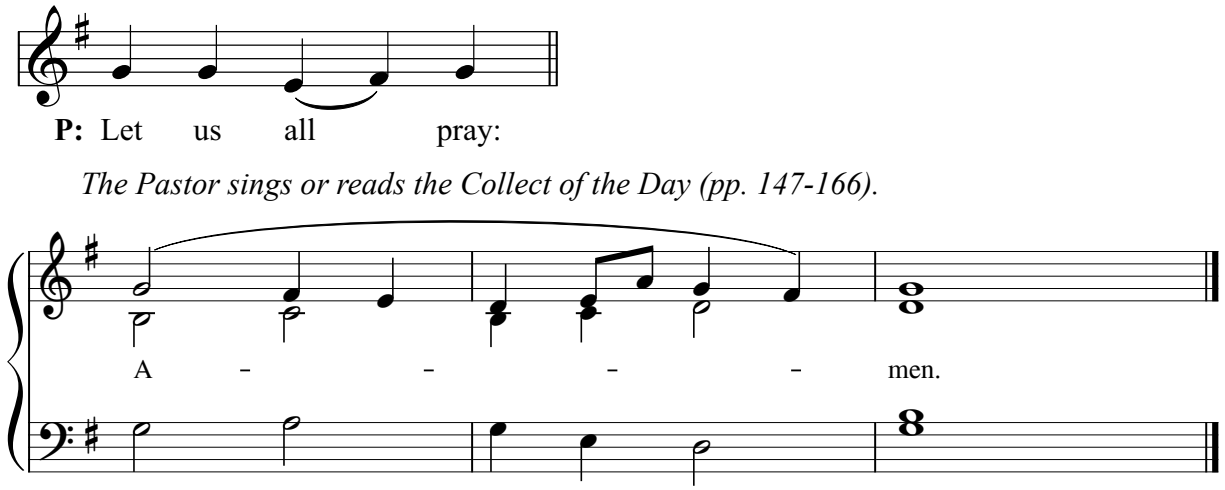
This canticle is omitted in Advent and Lent. An appropriate hymn may be sung in its place.



7. ***The Salutation***



8. ***The Collect***



The Pastor sings or reads the Collect of the Day (pp. 147-166).

II. The Service of The Word

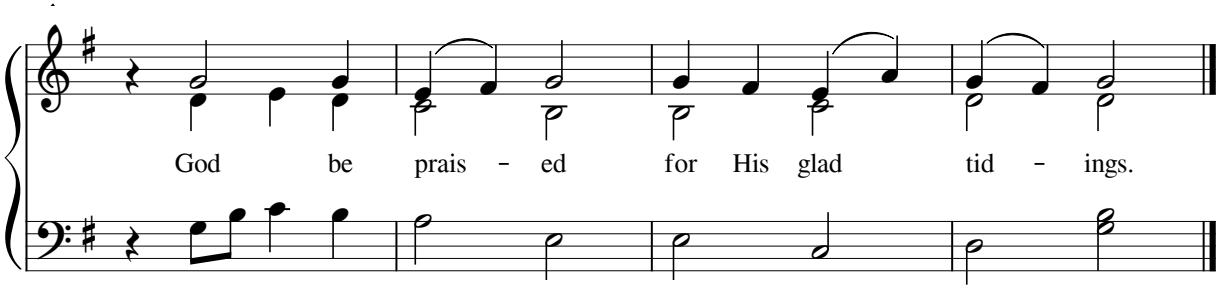
9. ***The Lesson***

10. ***A Psalm, Anthem, or Hymn may be sung.***

11. ***The Epistle***

12. ***The Holy Gospel***

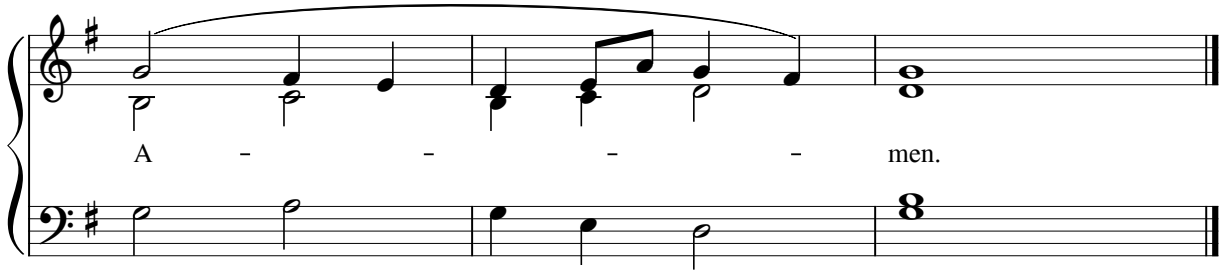
The Pastor reads the Gospel for the Day.



13. ***The Creed***

P: Let us confess our holy faith in the words of the Apostles' Creed:

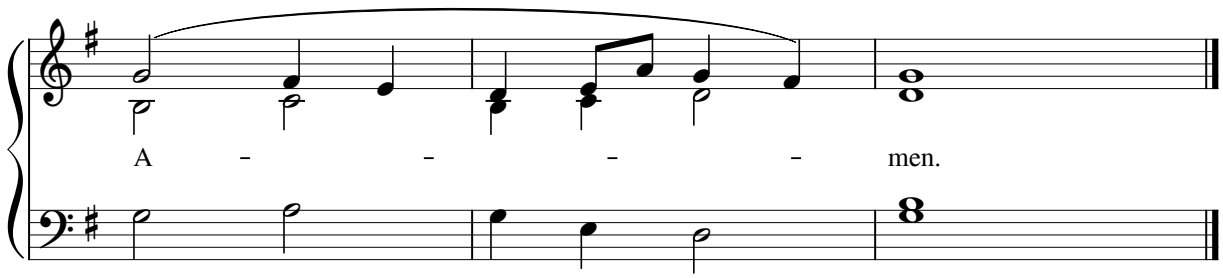
C: I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth.
And in Jesus Christ,
His only Son, our Lord;
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified,
died and was buried.
He descended into hell;
The third day He rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
From there He shall 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.



Or:

P: Let us confess our holy faith in the words of the Nicene Creed:

C: I believe in one God, the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.
And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
Begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
Very God of Very God,
Begotten, not made,
Being of one substance with the Father,
By Whom all things were made;
Who for us men and for our salvation
came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried;
and the third day He rose again
according to the Scriptures;
and ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father;
And He shall come again with glory
to judge both the living and the dead;
Whose kingdom shall have no end.
And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, and Giver of life,
Who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
Who spoke by the Prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and Apostolic Church.
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
And I look for the Resurrection of the dead
and the Life ✠ of the world to come.



14. *The Chief Hymn*

15. *The Sermon*

The pastor may introduce the sermon with a prayer. After the prayer he may greet the congregation with an apostolic greeting (Romans 1:7), announce and read the sermon text, and conclude with the brief prayer of John 17:17. Following the sermon he may close with the Gloria Patri. He shall then pray the Prayer of the Church.

On festival days the following order may be observed. He may introduce the sermon with a prayer for the day. Before reading the text he shall deliver an exhortation (exordium) explaining the festival. The congregation shall sing the festival verse or hymn (142, 348, 399). The usual order shall then follow.

16. *The Prayer of the Church*

The Litany (pp. 137-139), the Suffrages (pp. 140-141), or another form of the Prayer of the Church (pp. 71-72, 96-97) is said.

P: Everlasting and merciful God, we beseech You in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ:
C: To have mercy upon us and to hear our prayer.

P: Look in mercy upon Your Church. Protect it and sanctify it by Your truth. May Your Word be taught in its purity and Your Sacraments be rightly administered. Grant unto Your Church faithful pastors who shall declare Your truth with power and shall live according to Your will. Send forth laborers into Your harvest and open the door of faith unto all the heathen and unto the people of Israel. In mercy remember the enemies of Your Church and grant to them repentance unto life.

C: O God, in the multitude of Your mercy, hear us in the truth of Your salvation.

P: Let Your protecting hand be over our country and over all who travel. Prosper what is good among us and bring to naught every evil counsel and purpose. Protect and bless Your servants, the President of the United States, the Governor of this state, our judges and magistrates and all in authority. Fit them for their high calling by the gift of Your Spirit of wisdom and fear, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and reverence.

C: Hear, O Lord, and have mercy! Lord be our helper.

P: According to Your promise, O God, be the defender of the widow and the father of the orphan. Relieve and comfort the sick and the sorrowful (especially our brother/sister _____ who is ill/grieving). Graciously help those who are assaulted by the devil and who are in peril of death. Be the strength of those who are suffering for

the sake of Christ's holy name. Grant that we may live together in peace and prosperity. Bestow upon us good and seasonable weather; and bless us with upright Christian counsel in all that we undertake.

C: O Lord, be with all in trouble. Hear their prayers to the honor of Your Name.

P: We especially commend to Your care and keeping this Your congregation which You have bought with a great price. Keep from us all offenses and bind us together in the unity of Your holy love. Grant that the little ones who are baptized in Your name may be brought up in Your fear. At Your table give to those who there commune with You peace and life everlasting.

C: Let all rejoice who trust in You; let them shout for joy because You defend them.

P: In Your mercy look upon ..... In Christ's name we pray.

C: Lord, in Your mercy hear our prayer.

P: Be merciful, O God, to all, according to Your great love in Christ Jesus, our Lord. When our final hour shall come, grant us a blessed departure from this world, and on the last day, a resurrection to Your glory.

C: Amen. Grant us Your peace, O Lord!

When there are no communicants the Prayer of the Church concludes with the Lord's Prayer:

C: 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.

17. *The Apostolic Benediction*

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

18. *The Offering*

(*When there are no communicants the service shall continue on page 57.)*

III. The Service of Holy Communion

19. *The Preface*



20. *The General Preface*

A preface appropriate to the season or day may be used (pp. 74-75).



21. *The Sanctus (Holy, Holy, Holy)*



22. *The Exhortation*

P: Dear friends in Christ! In order that you may receive this holy Sacrament worthily, it is good that you consider what you must now believe and do. From the words of Christ: "This is My body, which is given for you; this is My blood, which is shed for you for the remission of sins," you should believe that Jesus Christ is Himself present with His body and blood, as the words declare.

From Christ's words "for the remission of sins," you should believe that Jesus Christ bestows upon you His body and blood to confirm unto you the forgiveness of all your sins.

And finally, you should do as Christ commands you when He says "Take, eat; drink of it, all of you," and "This do in remembrance of Me."

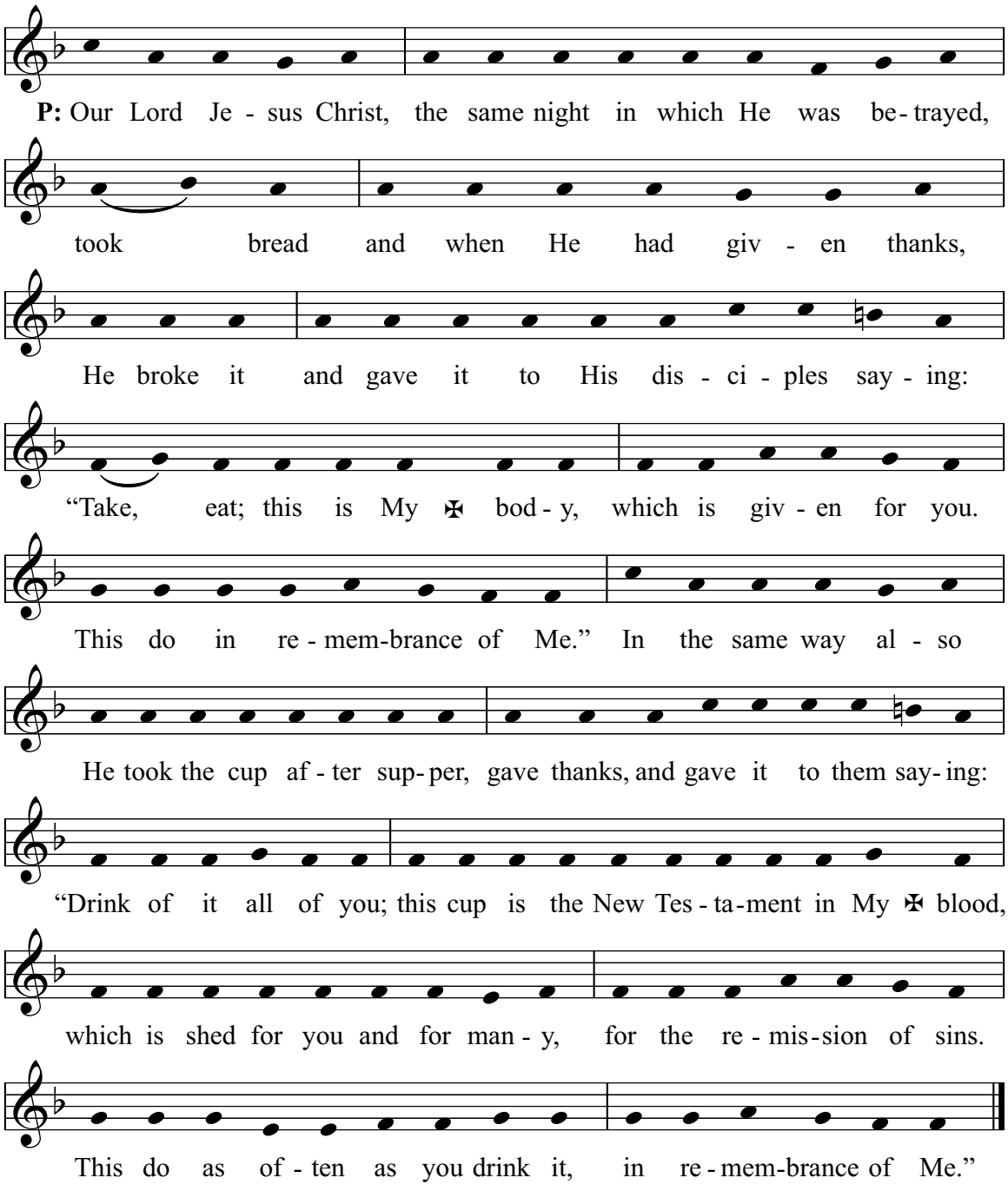
If you believe these words of Christ, and do as He therein has commanded, then you have rightly examined yourselves and may worthily eat Christ's body and drink His blood for the forgiveness of all your sins.

You should also unite in giving thanks to Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, for so great a gift, and should love one another with a pure heart, and thus with the whole Christian Church have comfort and joy in Christ our Lord. To this end may God the Father grant you His grace; through the same, our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

23. *The Lord's Prayer*



24. *The Words of Institution*



25. *The Agnus Dei (Lamb of God)*



26. *The Distribution*

During the distribution appropriate and worthy hymns, anthems, and other music may be sung or played. Chief among these hymns shall be "O Lord, We Praise Thee, Bless Thee, and Adore Thee" and "Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior." The communicants, who have properly announced themselves to the pastor beforehand, shall come to the altar to receive the Sacrament. As the pastor gives the consecrated bread to each communicant he shall say, "This is the true body of Christ." As the pastor gives the consecrated wine to each communicant he shall say, "This is the true blood of Christ."

Should the consecrated elements be spent before all have communed, new elements brought to the altar shall be consecrated with the appropriate words.

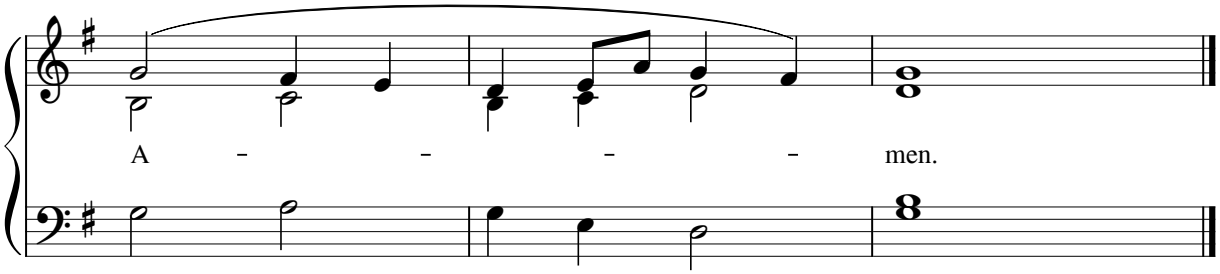
27. *The Dismissal*

P: Our crucified and risen Lord Jesus Christ, who has now bestowed upon you His holy body and blood, whereby He has made full satisfaction for all your sins, strengthen and preserve you in the true faith unto everlasting life. Peace ✠ be with you. Amen.

28. *The Hymn of Thanksgiving*

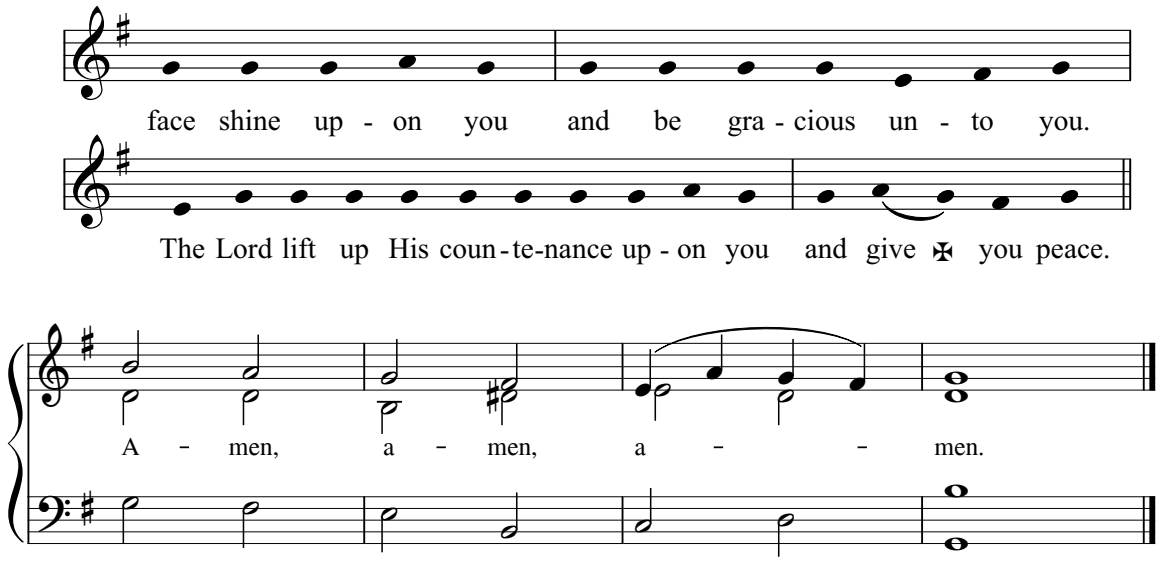
29. *The Collect of Thanksgiving*

P: Let us give thanks and pray: We thank You, Lord God Almighty, that You have refreshed us with these Your salutary gifts; and we beseech You of Your mercy, to strengthen us through the same in faith toward You, and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord.



30. *The Benediction*





31. ***The Closing Hymn***

32. ***The Closing Prayer***

P: O Lord, we render unto You our heartfelt thanks that You have taught us what You would have us believe and do. Help us, O God, by Your Holy Spirit, for the sake of Jesus Christ, to keep Your Word in pure hearts, that we thereby may be strengthened in faith, perfected in holiness, and comforted in life and death. Amen.

(The conclusion of the service when there are no communicants)

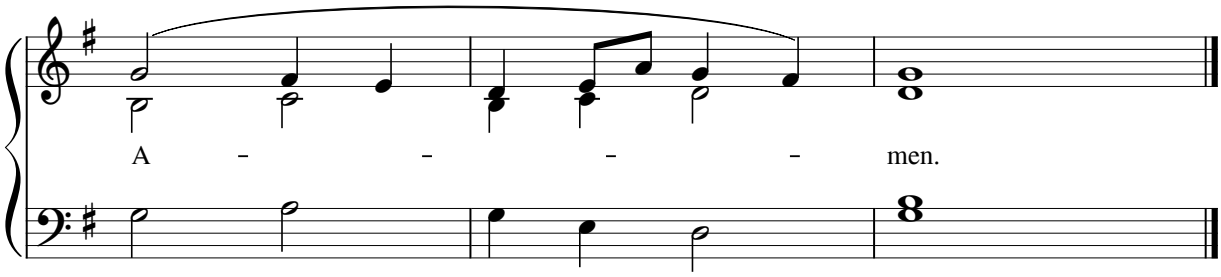
19. ***A Hymn***

20. ***The Collect***

P: Let us give thanks and pray:

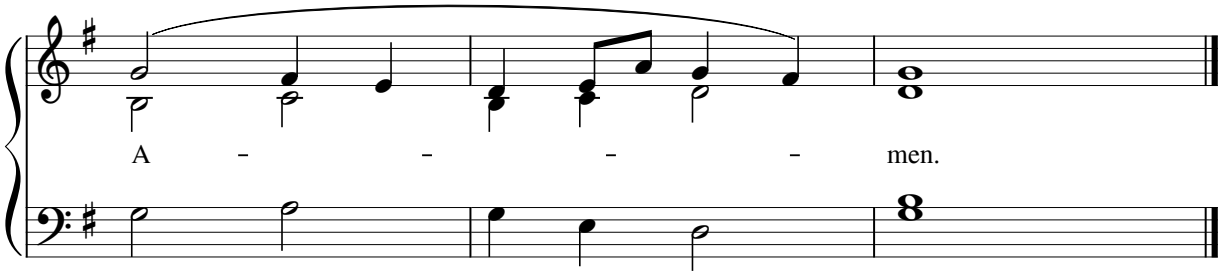
I **P:** We thank You, Lord God the Father, that You have given Your only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. We thank You, Lord Jesus Christ, that You have borne in Your sacred body all our sins, and by Your blood have blotted out all our transgressions. We thank You, Lord, the Holy Spirit, that You have created in our hearts true faith, that we know of nothing to trust for our salvation except Jesus Christ and Him

crucified. O God, grant us Your grace, that we may perfectly believe that all our sins are forgiven for the sake of the passion and death of our Lord Jesus Christ, and so enlighten us by Your Holy Spirit, that, in the power of our Redeemer's death, we may day by day put off sin, and never forsake the Lord Jesus Christ, until we see Him face to face in life eternal. We ask it all in Christ's name.



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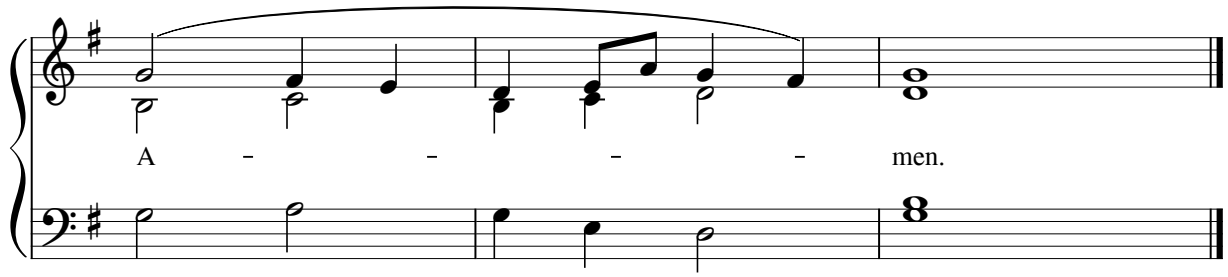
II **P:** We thank You, Almighty God, that You have built Your Church upon the foundation of the Apostles and Prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the Head Cornerstone. Grant that we may be joined together in unity of spirit by their doctrine, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable unto You, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever.



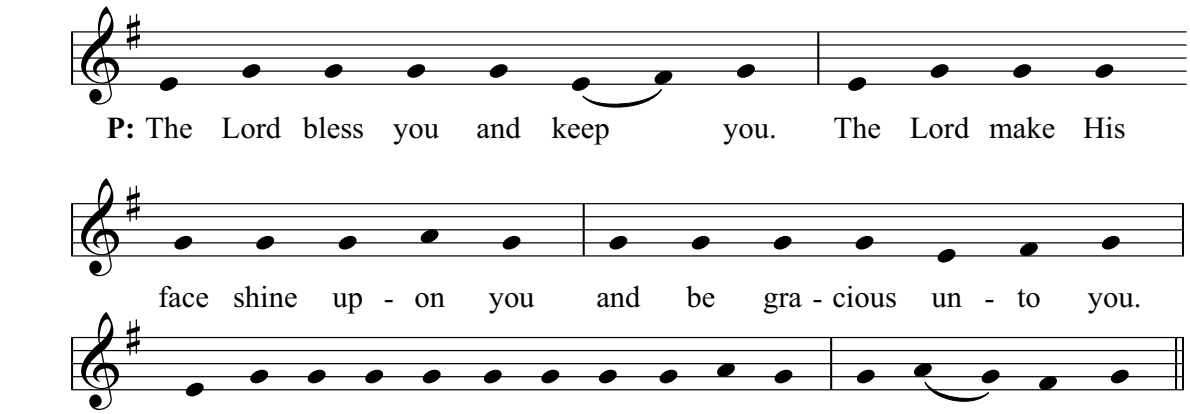
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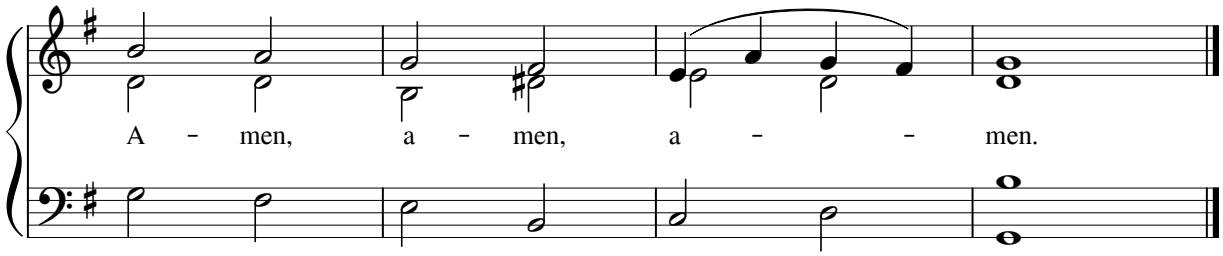
III **P:** Lord God, our heavenly Father, we thank You, that of Your great mercy You have given us Your holy and blessed Word, by which You also among us gather Your Christian Church. We humbly entreat You, grant us Your Holy Spirit, that we receive Your Word with thankful hearts, and live according to it, and ever increase in Christian faith, and hope, and love, and at last obtain eternal salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your beloved Son, who lives and reigns

with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever.



21. *The Benediction*





22. *The Closing Hymn*

23. *The Closing Prayer*

P: O Lord, we render unto You our heartfelt thanks that You have taught us what You would have us believe and do. Help us, O God, by Your Holy Spirit, for the sake of Jesus Christ, to keep Your Word in pure hearts, that we thereby may be strengthened in faith, perfected in holiness, and comforted in life and death. Amen.

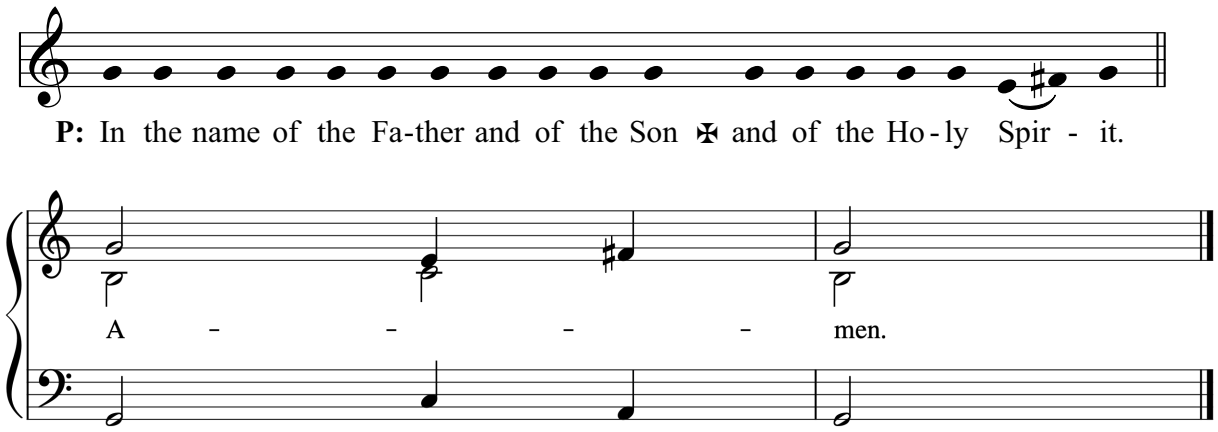
THE DIVINE SERVICE

Rite Two

I. The Service of Preparation

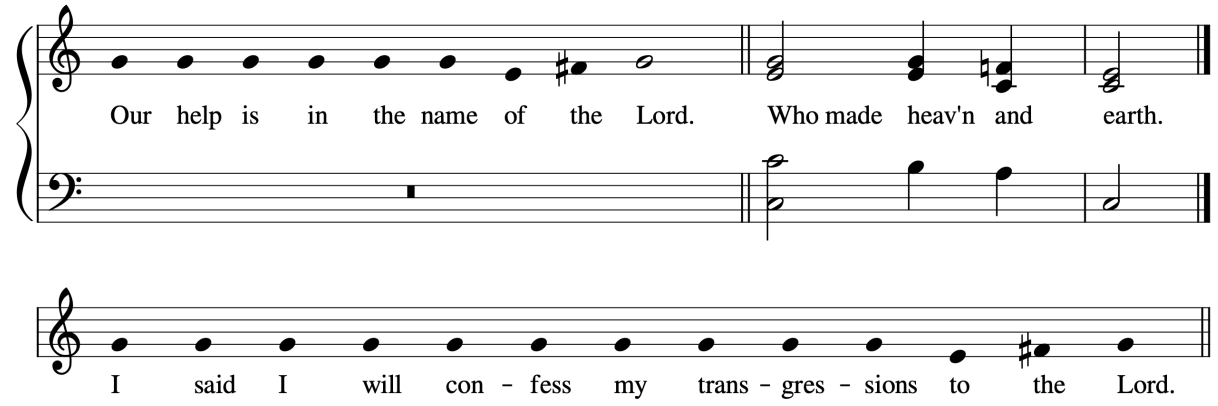
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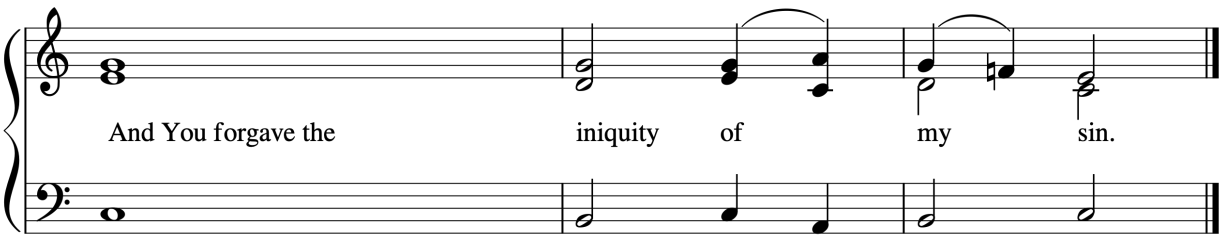
2. *The Invocation*



3. *The Confession of Sin*

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.





I **P:** Let us bow before the Lord and confess our sins.
C: O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess to You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them, and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

P: I ask each of you, in the presence of God who searches the heart: Do you confess that you have sinned, and do you repent of your sins?
C: I do.

P: Do you believe that Jesus Christ has redeemed you from all your sins, and do you desire forgiveness in His name?
C: I do.

P: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God to all of you, and in the stead and by the command of our Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins, in the name of the Father and of the Son ✠ and of the Holy Spirit.

May He comfort your heart by His holy Absolution,
and strengthen you by His Sacraments,
that your joy may be full.
Peace be with you!

C: Amen.

Or:

II **P:** Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Therefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C: O most merciful God, You have given Your only-begotten Son to die for us; have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You, and of Your will, and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

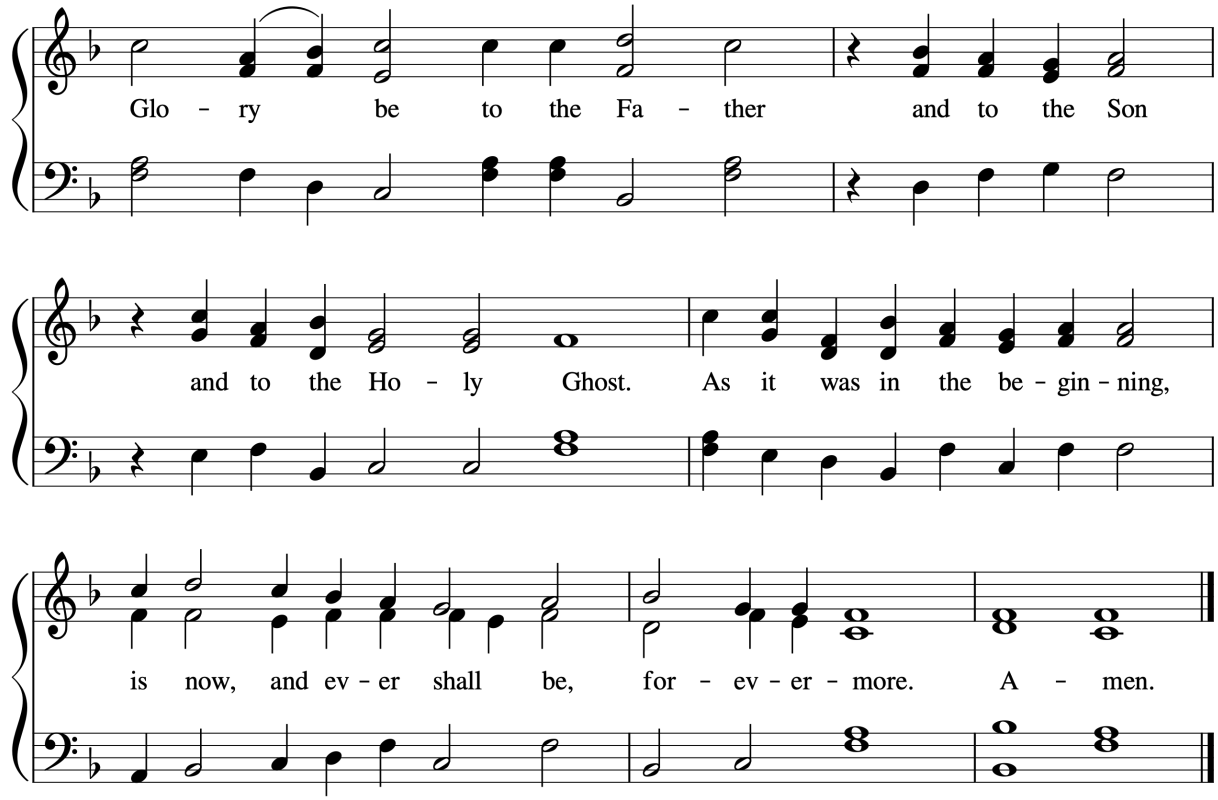
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C: Grant this unto us, O Lord. Amen.

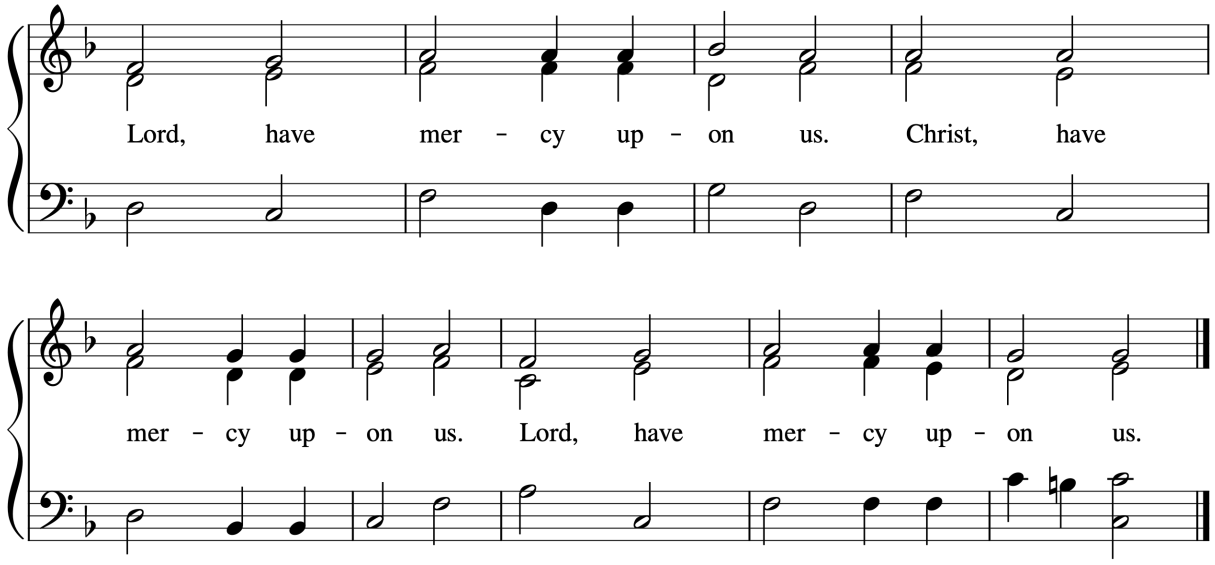
4. *The Introit*

The Introit (pp. 142-146) and Gloria Patri may be sung by the choir; or the Introit may be sung or said by the pastor, and the Gloria Patri sung by the congregation.

5. *The Gloria Patri*



6. ***The Kyrie Eleison (Lord, have mercy)***



7. *The Gloria in Excelsis Deo (Glory to God in the Highest)*

This canticle is omitted in Advent and Lent. An appropriate hymn may be sung in its place.




world, have mercy up - on us. You take away the sin of the world, re -
ceive our prayer. You are seated at the right hand of God the Father,
have mercy up - on us. For You only are holy. You on - ly are the
Lord. You only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Spirit, are most high in the
glory of God the Father. A - men.

8. *The Salutation*

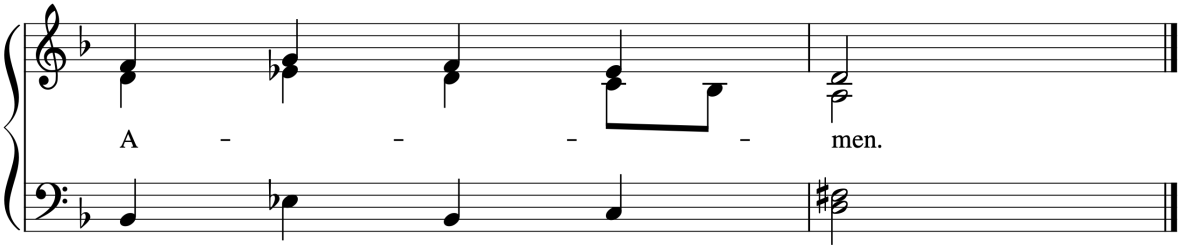


9. *The Collect*



P: Let us pray:

The Pastor sings or reads the Collect of the Day (pp. 147-166).



II. The Service of The Word

10. ***The Lesson***

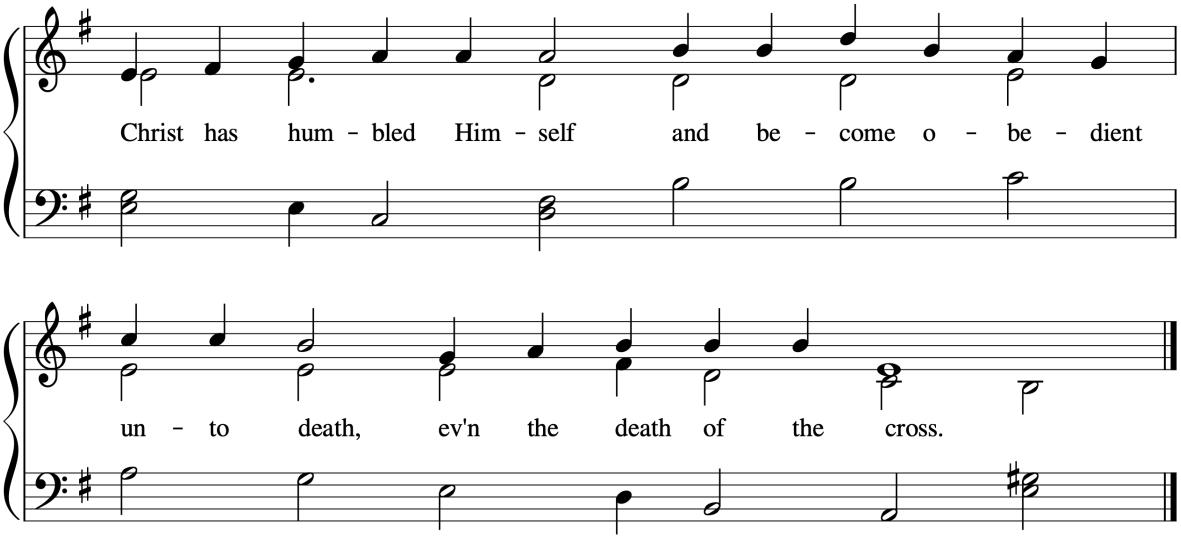
11. ***The Gradual, Psalm, an Anthem or Hymn***

12. ***The Epistle***

13. ***The Alleluia, Verse, Sequence, an Anthem or Hymn***

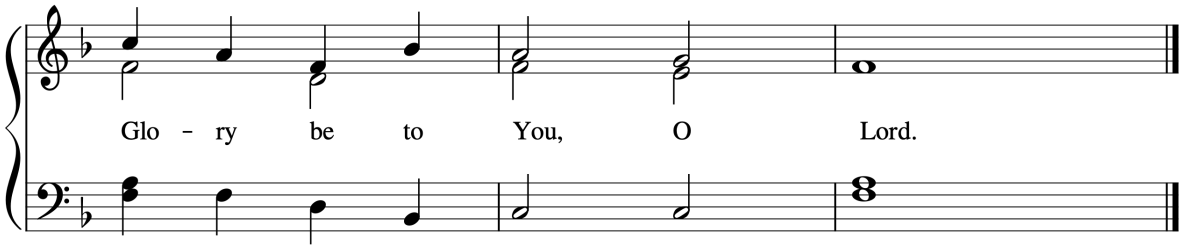


In Lent the following sentence shall be sung instead of the Alleluia:



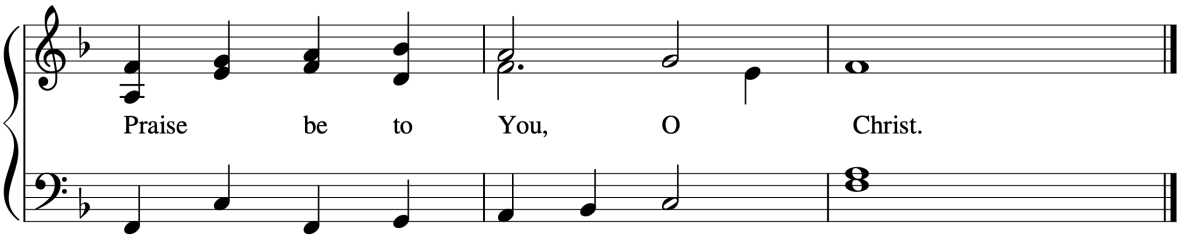
14. *The Holy Gospel*

P: The Holy Gospel for_____is written in the ____chapter of the Gospel according to St. ____, beginning at the ____verse.



The Pastor shall read or sing the Gospel.

P: This is the Holy Gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.



15. *The Creed*

P: Let us confess our holy faith in the words of the Apostles' Creed:

C: I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth.
And 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 shall 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.

Or:

P: Let us confess our holy faith in the words of the Nicene Creed:

C: I believe in one God, the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.
And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
Begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
Very God of Very God,
Begotten, not made,
Being of one substance with the Father,
By Whom all things were made;
Who for us men and for our salvation
came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried;
and the third day He rose again
according to the Scriptures;
and ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father;
And He shall come again with glory
to judge both the living and the dead;
Whose kingdom shall have no end.
And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, and Giver of life,
Who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
Who spoke by the Prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and Apostolic Church.
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
And I look for the Resurrection of the dead
and the Life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.

16. *The Chief Hymn*

17. *The Sermon*

P: The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus unto everlasting life. Amen.

18. *A Hymn or the Offertory Verse*

(also printed in Eb Major on the next page)




Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right spir - it with -
in me. Cast me not a - way from Your pres - ence and take not Your
Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Your sal -
va - tion. And up - hold me with Your free spir-it. A - men.

Offering

19. *The Prayer of the Church*

The Litany (pp. 137-139), the Suffrages (pp. 140-141), or another form of the Prayer of the Church (pp. 48-49, 96-97) is said.

P: In peace let us pray to the Lord.
C: Lord, have mercy.

Petitions are included for the right use of Word and Sacrament, for the blessings associated with the appropriate season of the Church Year, for the Church and for the proclamation of the Gospel, for good government, for special needs, for home and family, for the afflicted and the needy, for the offerings of the people, and for the celebration of Holy Communion, according to the following form:

P: For…, let us pray to the Lord.
C: Lord, have mercy.

(The Prayer of the Church concludes:)

P: O Lord, heavenly Father, by the power of the Holy Spirit we faithfully remember the sufferings and death of Your dear Son, Jesus Christ, for our salvation. We praise You for His victorious resurrection from the dead. We thank You for the strength of grace and majesty of faith which He bestows on the Church by virtue of His ascension to Your right hand, where He intercedes for us as our Advocate and High Priest. Grant that the Holy Spirit will gather us into the company of all the faithful from the ends of the earth, so that we may celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end.

In Your mercy receive our prayers. Deliver us and preserve us. To You alone we give all glory, honor, and worship, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forevermore. Amen.

(When there are no communicants the service shall continue on page 85.)

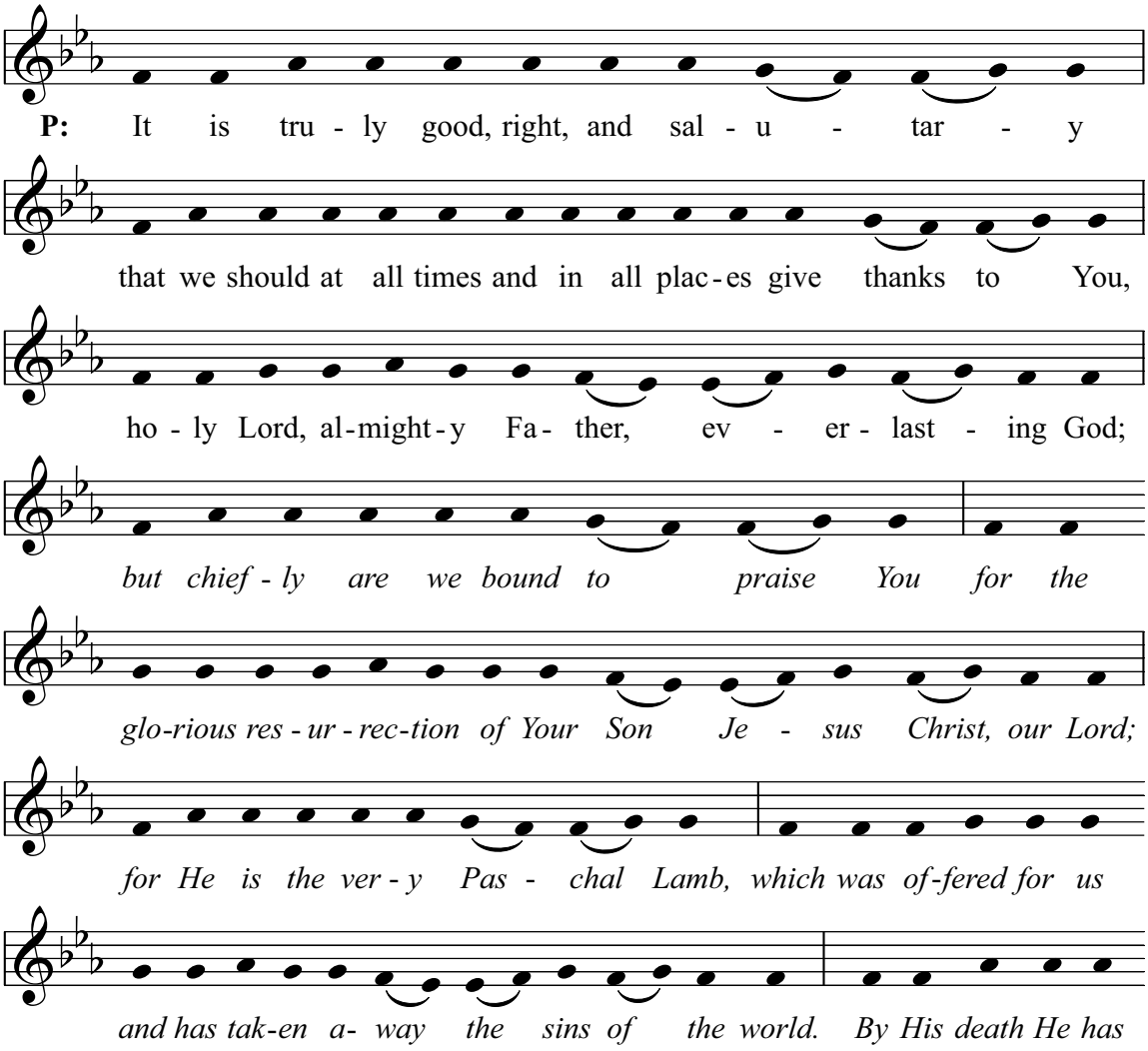
III. The Service of Holy Communion

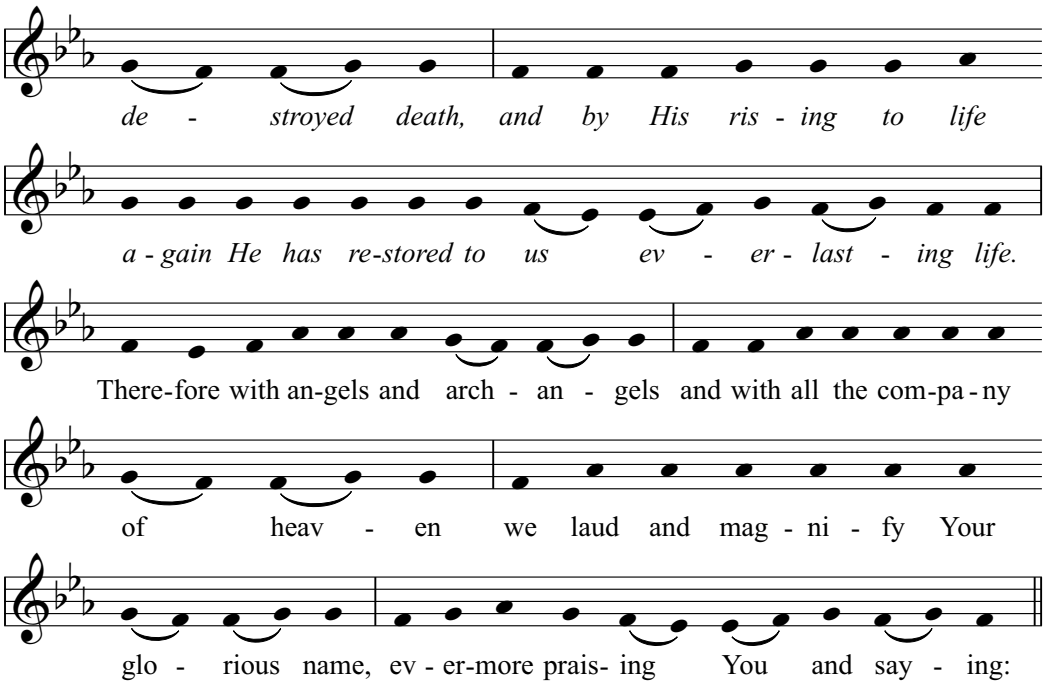
20. *The Preface*



21. *The Proper Preface and Sanctus (Holy, Holy, Holy)*

A preface appropriate to the season or day may be used (pp. 74-75).





The Preface for the Season or Day

(Advent, St. John's Day)
…through Jesus Christ our Lord, whose way John the Baptist prepared, proclaiming Him the Messiah, the very Lamb of God, and calling sinners to repentance that they might escape from the wrath to be revealed when He comes again in glory . . .

(Christmastide, Annunciation, Visitation, Presentation)
…for in the mystery of the Word made flesh You have given us a new revelation of Your glory, that, seeing You in the person of Your Son, we may be drawn to the love of those things which are not seen . . .

(Epiphany)
…and now we praise You that You sent us Your only-begotten Son and that in Him, being found in fashion as a Man, You manifested the fullness of Your glory . . .

(Lent, Absolution)
…You bid Your people cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast. Renew our zeal in faith and life, and bring us to the fullness of grace that belongs to the children of God . . .

(Passiontide, Holy Week)
…On the tree of the cross You gave salvation to all mankind that, whence death arose, by the fault of one man, thence also life might arise by the obedience of one

Man; and that even as Satan once overcame by a tree, likewise by a tree he was overcome, through the death of Jesus Christ, our Lord . . .

(Easter, General, Communion of the Sick)
…but chiefly are we bound to praise You for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord; for He is the very Paschal Lamb, which was offered for us and has taken away the sins of the world. By His death He has destroyed death, and by His rising to life again He has restored to us everlasting life . . .

(Ascension, Baptism)
…through Jesus Christ our Lord, who after His resurrection appeared openly to all His disciples and in their sight was taken up to heaven that He might make us partakers of His divine nature . . .

(Pentecost)
…through Jesus Christ our Lord, who ascended above the heavens and, sitting at Your right hand, poured out on this day, as He had promised, the Holy Spirit on the chosen disciples. At this the whole world rejoices with exceeding joy . . .

(Trinity, Baptism, Confirmation)
…who with Your only-begotten Son and the Holy Spirit are one God, one Lord. In the confession of the only true God we worship the Trinity in person and the Unity in substance, of majesty co-equal . . .

(Lord's Day)
…through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life . . .

(Apostles and Evangelists, Ordination, Installation)
…because You have mightily governed and protected Your holy Church, which the blessed apostles and evangelists instructed in Your divine and saving truth . . .

(All Saints, Confirmation)
…who in the multitude of Your saints did surround us with so great a cloud of witnesses that we, rejoicing in their fellowship, may run with patience the race that is set before us and, together with them, may receive the crown of glory that does not fade away…

P: Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:


Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth.
Heav'n and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san - na, ho -
san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is He, bless-ed is He,
bless - ed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

22. *The Exhortation*

P: Dear friends in Christ! In order that you may receive this holy Sacrament worthily, it is good that you consider what you must now believe and do. From the words of Christ: "This is My body, which is given for you; this is My blood, which is shed for you for the remission of sins," you should believe that Jesus Christ is Himself present with His body and blood, as the words declare.

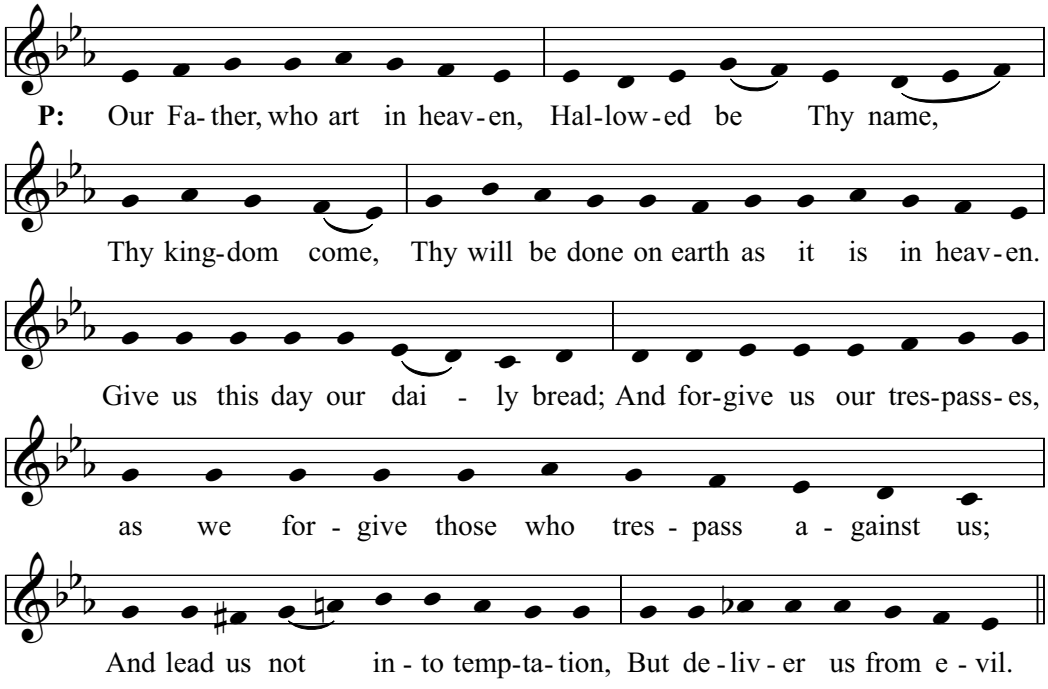
From Christ's words "for the remission of sins" you should believe that Jesus Christ bestows upon you His body and blood to confirm unto you the forgiveness of all your sins.

And finally, you should do as Christ commands you when He says "Take, eat; drink of it, all of you," and "this do in remembrance of Me."

If you believe these words of Christ, and do as He therein has commanded, then you have rightly examined yourselves and may worthily eat Christ's body and drink His blood for the forgiveness of all your sins.

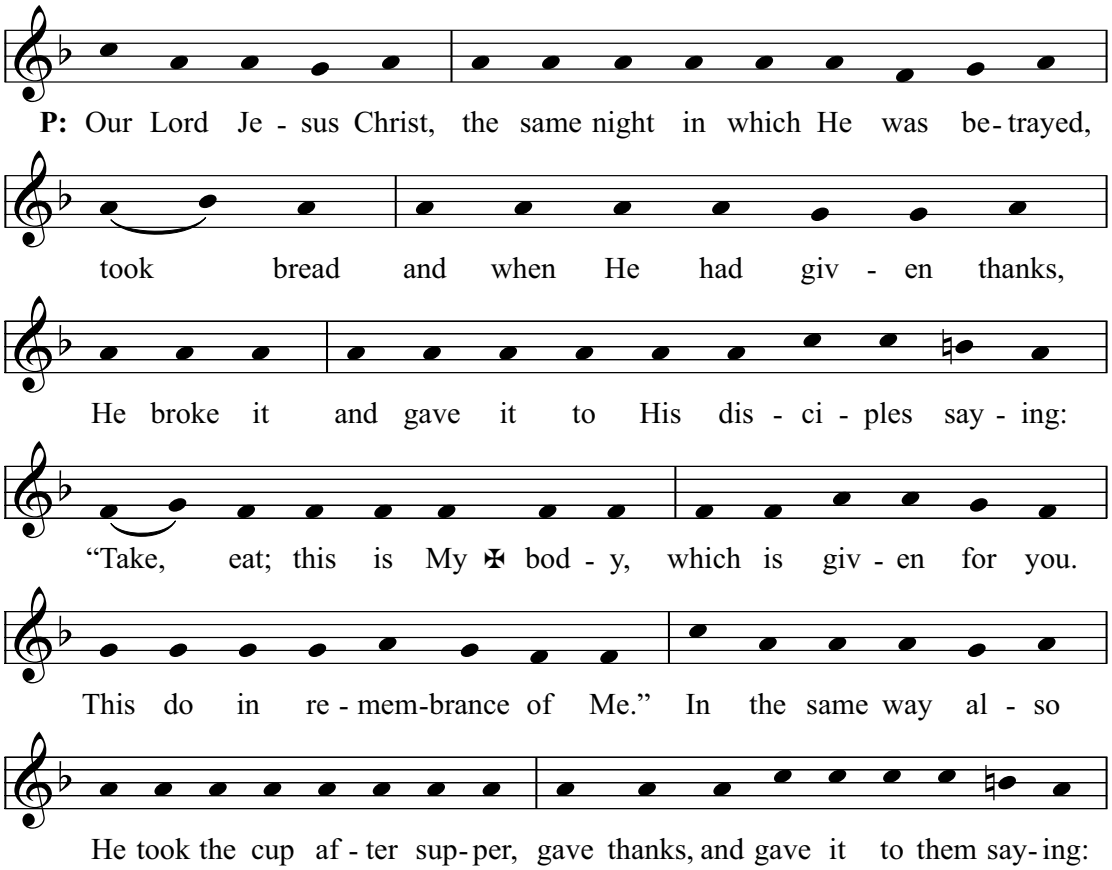
You should also unite in giving thanks to Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, for so great a gift, and should love one another with a pure heart, and thus with the whole Christian Church have comfort and joy in Christ our Lord. To this end may God the Father grant you His grace; through the same, our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

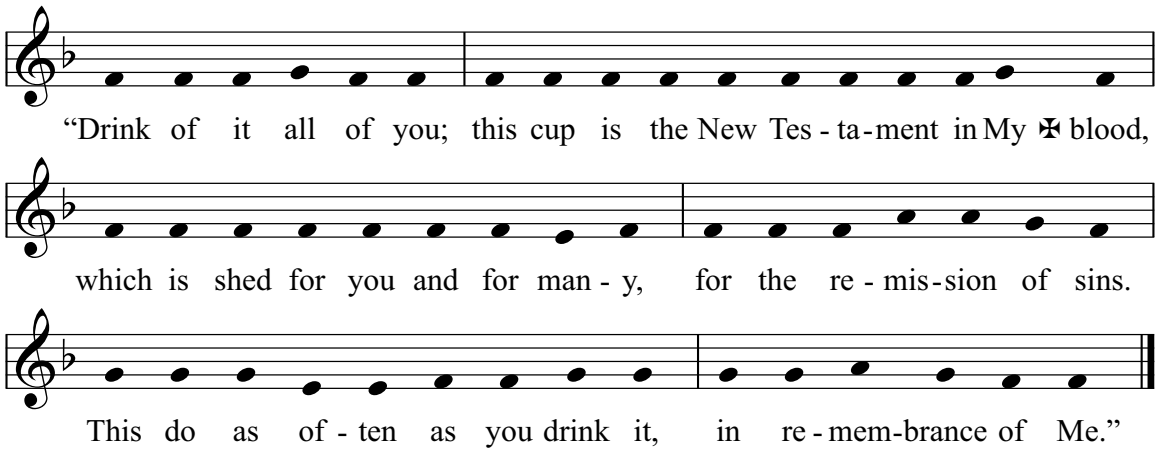
23. *The Lord's Prayer*



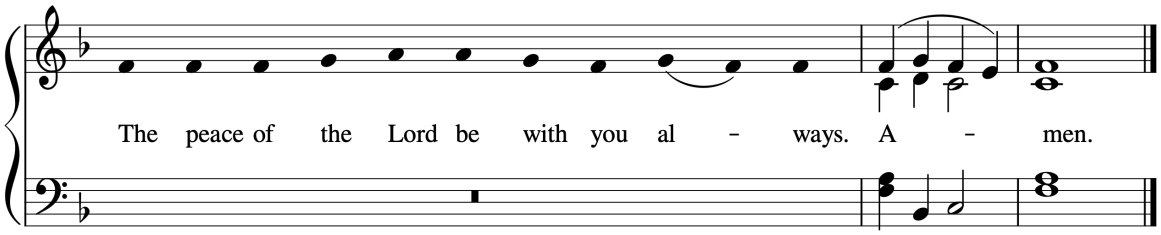


24. *The Words of Institution*





25. *The Pax Domini (Peace of the Lord)*



26. *The Agnus Dei (Lamb of God)*



27. *The Distribution*

The distribution of Christ's Body and Blood to the communicants may be accompanied by worthy hymns and anthems.

The pastor shall commune each individual, saying:

Take and eat, this is the true body of Christ, given for you.

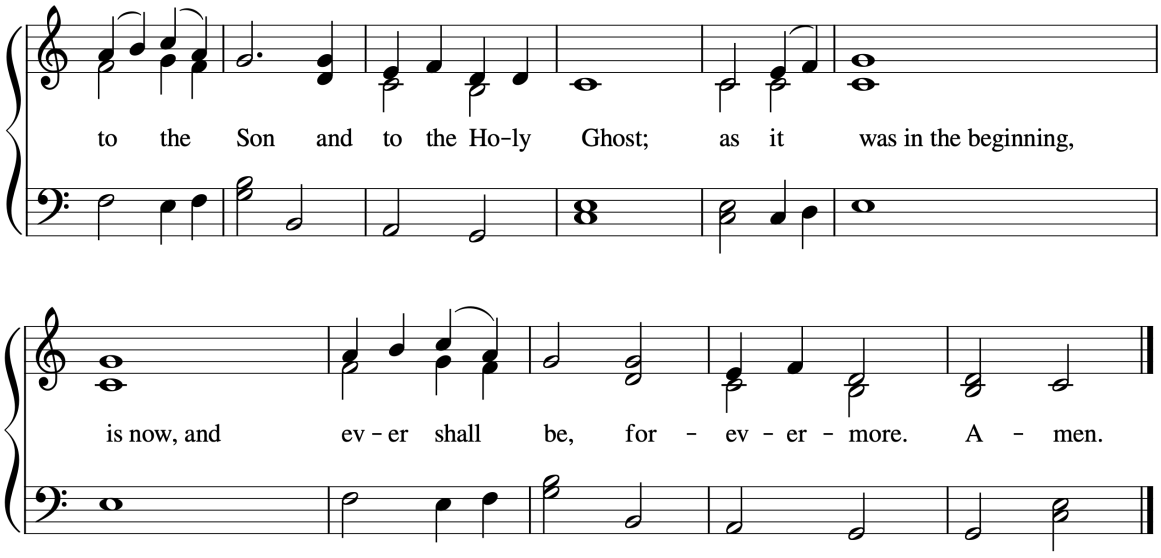
Take and drink, this is the true blood of the New Testament, shed for your sins.

He shall dismiss the communicants, saying:

The body of our Lord Jesus Christ, and His precious blood strengthen and preserve you in the true faith to ✠ everlasting life. Depart in peace.

28. *The Nunc Dimittis*





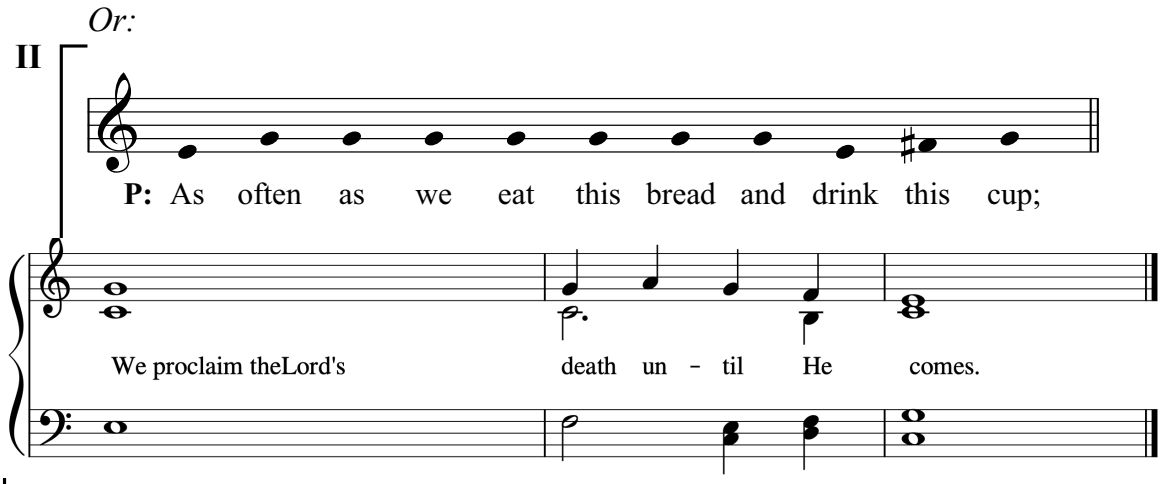
29. *The Collect of Thanksgiving*

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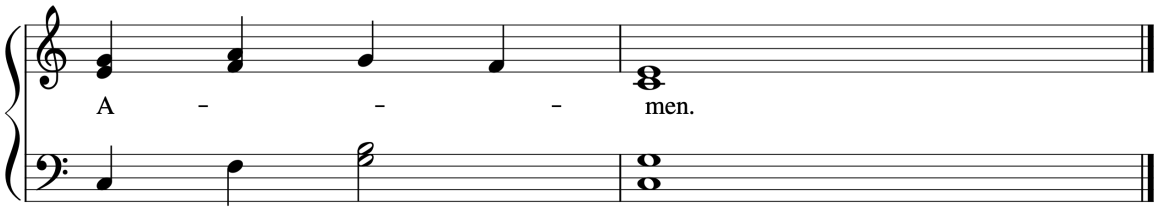


P: Let us pray: We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through these salutary gifts, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through them in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever.



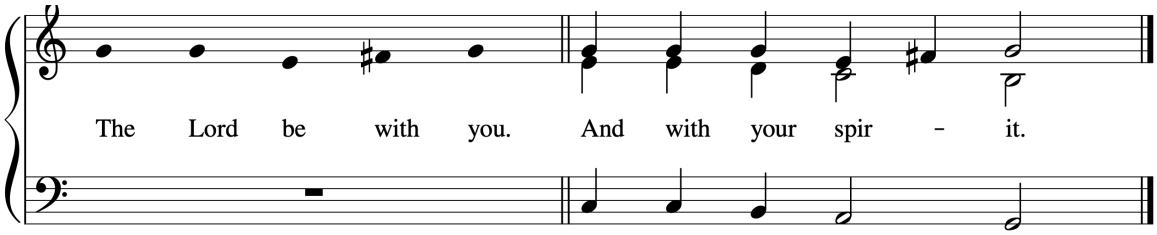


P: Let us pray: O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in lovingkindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever.



30. *A Hymn of Thanks*

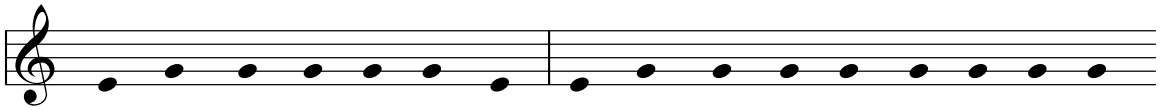
31. *The Salutation*



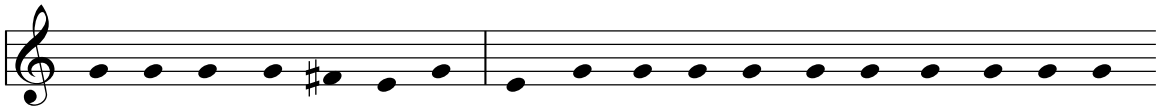
32. *The Benedicamus*



33. *The Benediction*



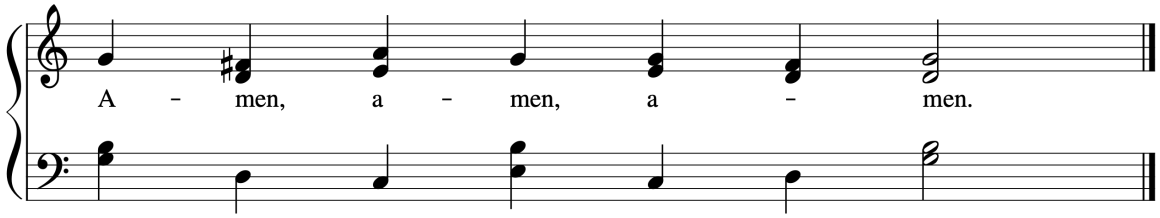
P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine up - on you



and be gra-cious un - to you. The Lord lift up His coun-te-nance up - on you



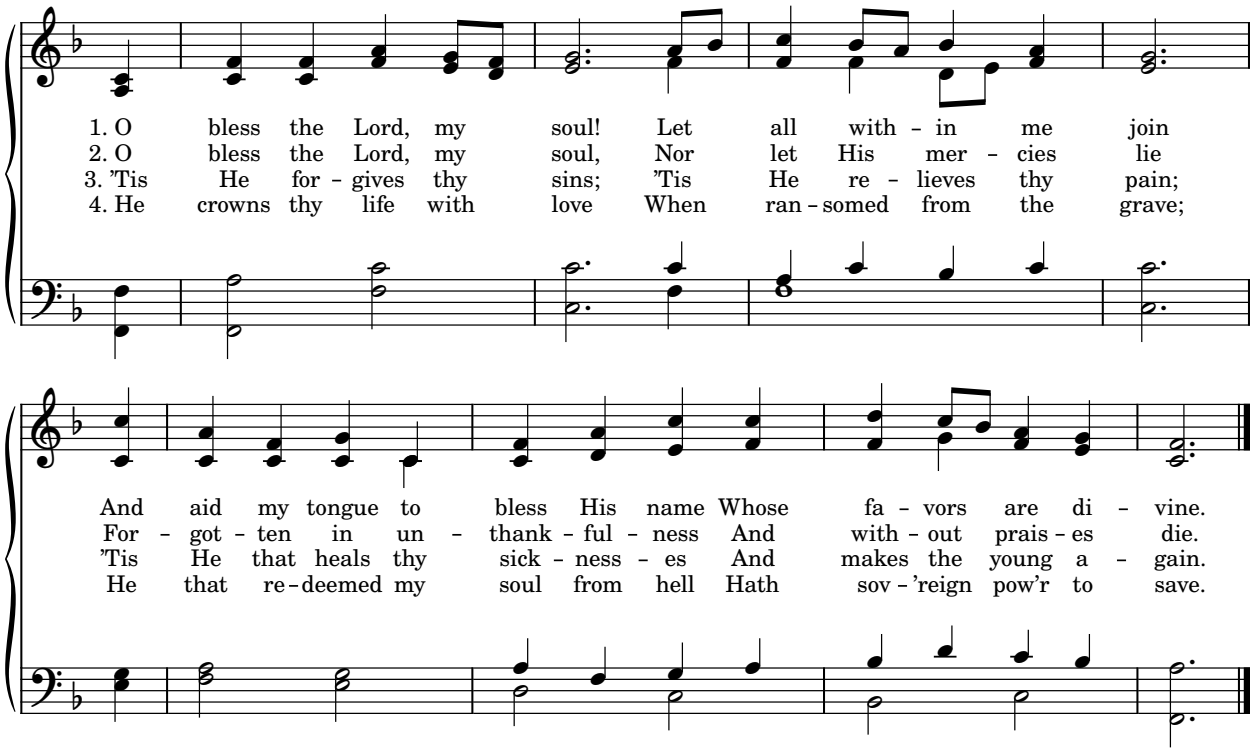
and give ✠ you peace.



ELH 4. In Jesus' Name



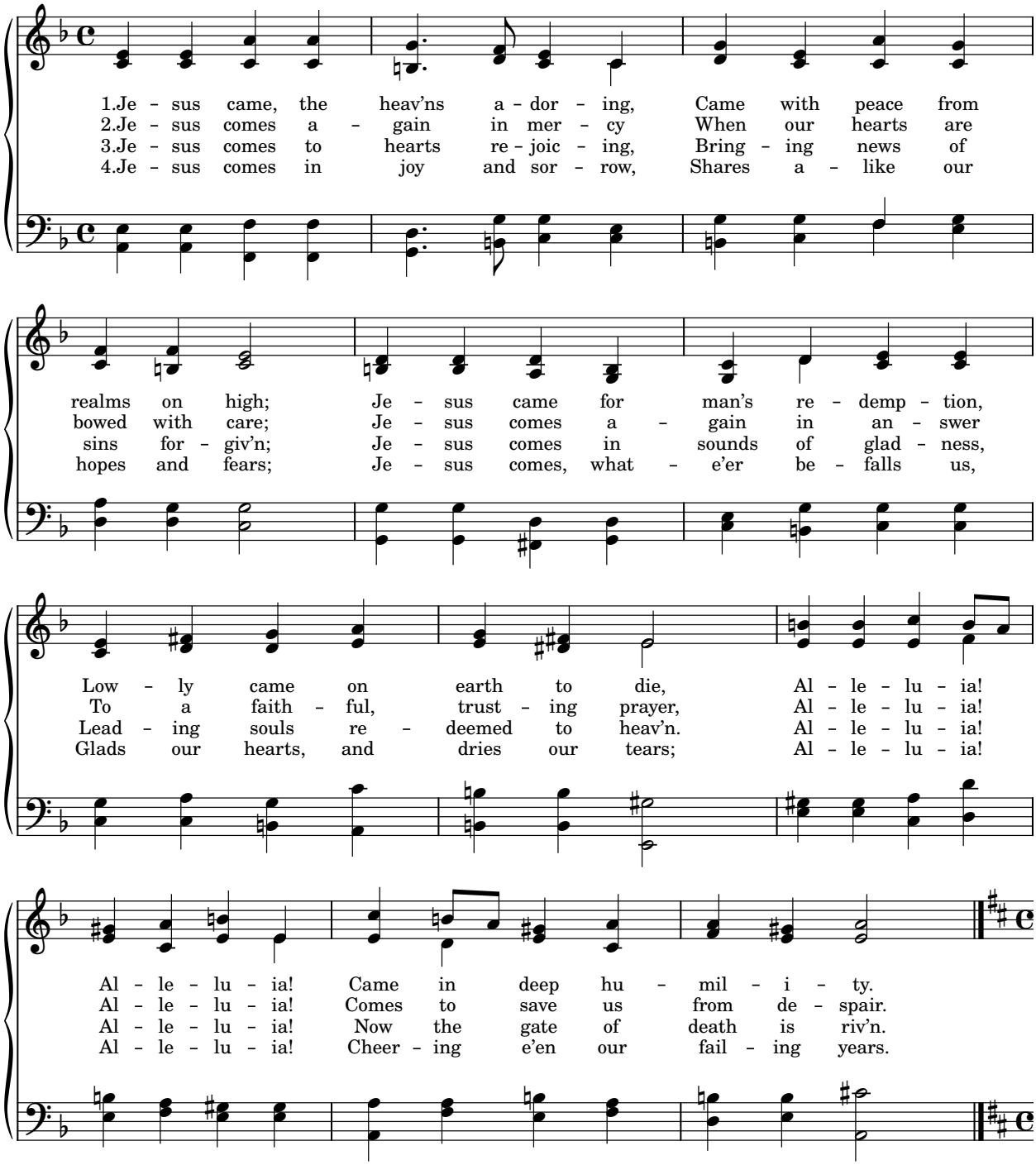
ELH 60. O Bless the Lord, My Soul



5. He fills the poor with good;
He gives the suff'rers rest:
The Lord hath judgements for the proud
And justice for th' opprest.

6. His wondrous works and ways
He made by Moses known,
But sent the world His truth and grace
By His beloved Son.

ELH 89. Jesus Came, the Heavens Adoring



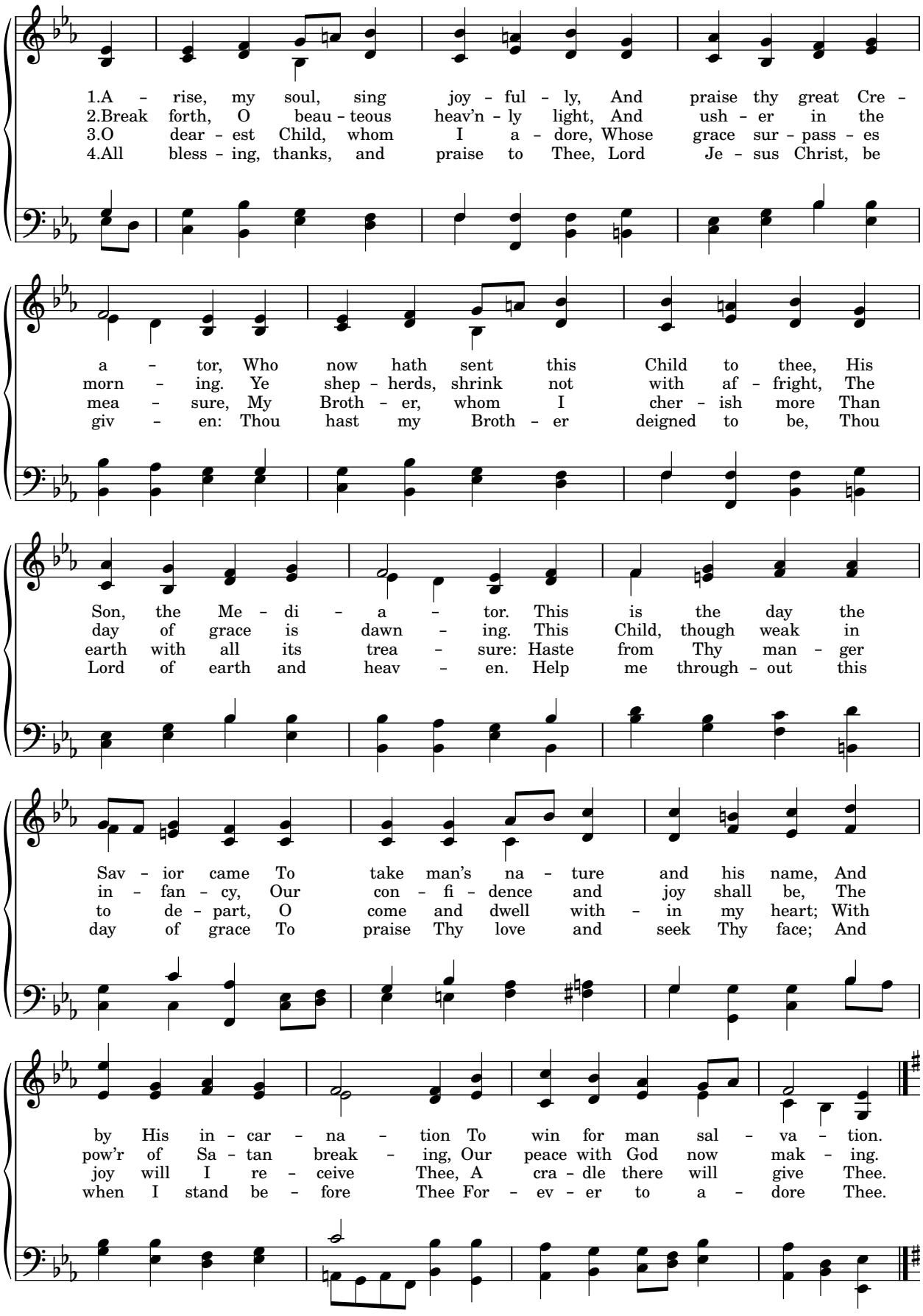
ELH 99. The Advent of Our King



5.Before the dawning day
Let sin's dark deeds be gone,
The old man all be put away,
The new man all put on.

6.All glory to the Son,
Who comes to set us free,
With Father, Spirit, ever One,
Through all eternity.

ELH 118. Arise, My Soul, Sing Joyfully



ELH 126. God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen



ELH 129. I Stand Beside Thy Manger Here



ELH 149. In Thee Is Gladness



ELH 159. To the Name of Our Salvation



5.Jesus is the name prevailing
Over ev'ry name by right;
At this name, in terror wailing,
Powers of hell are put to flight;
God, in mercy never failing,
Saves us by this name of might.

6.Therefore we in love adoring
This most blessed name revere,
Holy Jesus, Thee imploring
So to write it in us here
That hereafter, heav'nward soaring,
We may sing with angels there.

ELH 172. Songs of Thankfulness and Praise



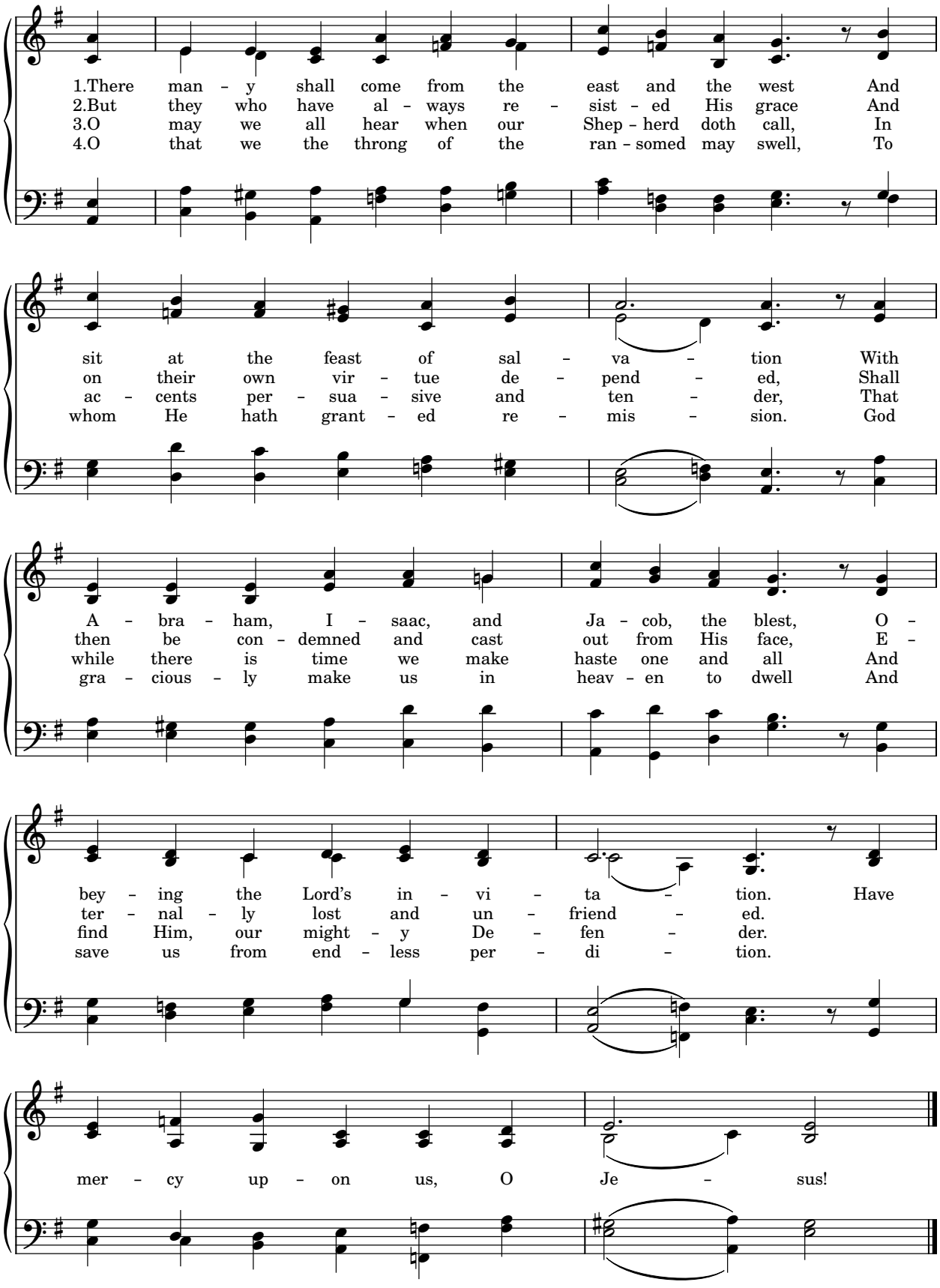
ELH 178. I Pray Thee, Dear Lord Jesus



ELH 189. In House and Home



ELH 200. There Many Shall Come From the East



5. God grant that I may of His infinite love
Remain in His merciful keeping;
And sit with the King at His table above,
When here in the grave I am sleeping.
Have mercy upon us, O Jesus!

6. All trials are then like a dream that is past,
Forgotten all trouble and sorrow;
All questions and doubts have been answered at last;
Then dawneth eternity's morrow.
Have mercy upon us, O Jesus!

7. The heavens shall ring with an anthem more grand
Than ever on earth was recorded;
The blest of the Lord shall receive at His hand
The crown to the victors awarded.
Have mercy upon us, O Jesus!

ELH 235. Behold the Lamb of God



ELH 241. He That Believes and Is Baptized



ELH 261. Who Trusts in God, A Strong Abode



ELH 270. Hail, Thou Once-Despised Jesus



ELH 272. O Sinner, Come Thy Sin to Mourn




save thee from dam – na – tion; The Fa – ther cast on
mar – vel at Thy suf – f'ring; For Thy dis – grace, and
Him thy guilt, For thee His pre – cious blood was spilt, To
pain, and shame, We'll ev – er mag – ni – fy Thy name, And
bless thee with sal – va – tion.
praise Thy glo – rious of – f'ring.

ELH 276. When O'er My Sins I Sorrow

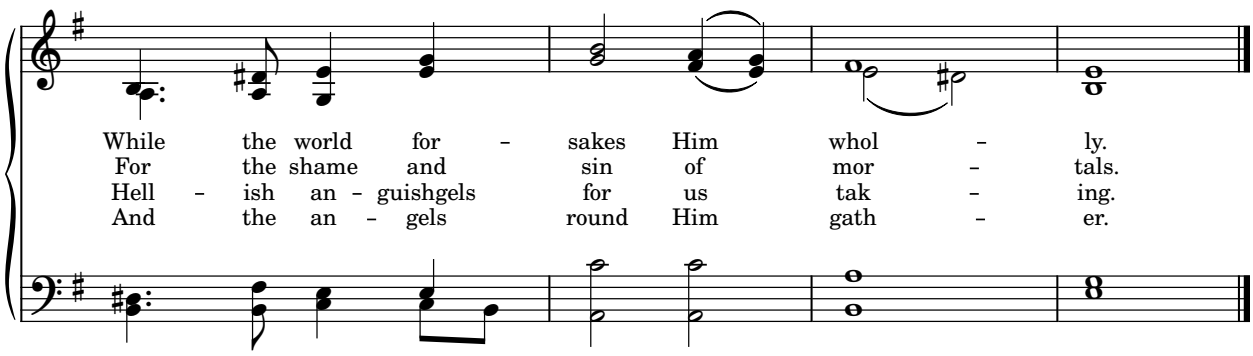


ELH 279. Hosanna, Loud Hosanna



ELH 295. Over Kedron Jesus Treadeth





5. See how, in that hour of darkness,
Battling with the evil pow'r,
Agonies untold assail Him,
On His soul the arrows show'r;
All the garden flow'rs are wet
With the drops of bloody sweat,
From His anguished frame distilling–
World's redemption thus fulfilling!

6. But, O flow'rs, so sadly watered
By this pure and precious dew,
In some blessed hour your blossoms
'Neath the olive-shadows grew!
Eden's garden did not bear
Aught that can with you compare,
For the blood, thus freely given,
Makes my soul the heir of heaven.

7. When as flow'rs themselves I wither,
When I droop and fade like grass,
When the life-streams through my pulses
Dull and ever duller pass,
When at last they cease to roll
Then, to cheer my singing soul,
Grace of Jesus, be Thou given–
Source of triumph! pledge of heaven!

8. Daily I am gladly yearning
E'er to go to Kedron's stream
And from earthly pleasure turning
In a penitential theme!
Daily in Gethsemane
With my spirit I shall see
Jesus' bleeding and His sighing
For my soul is all His dying.

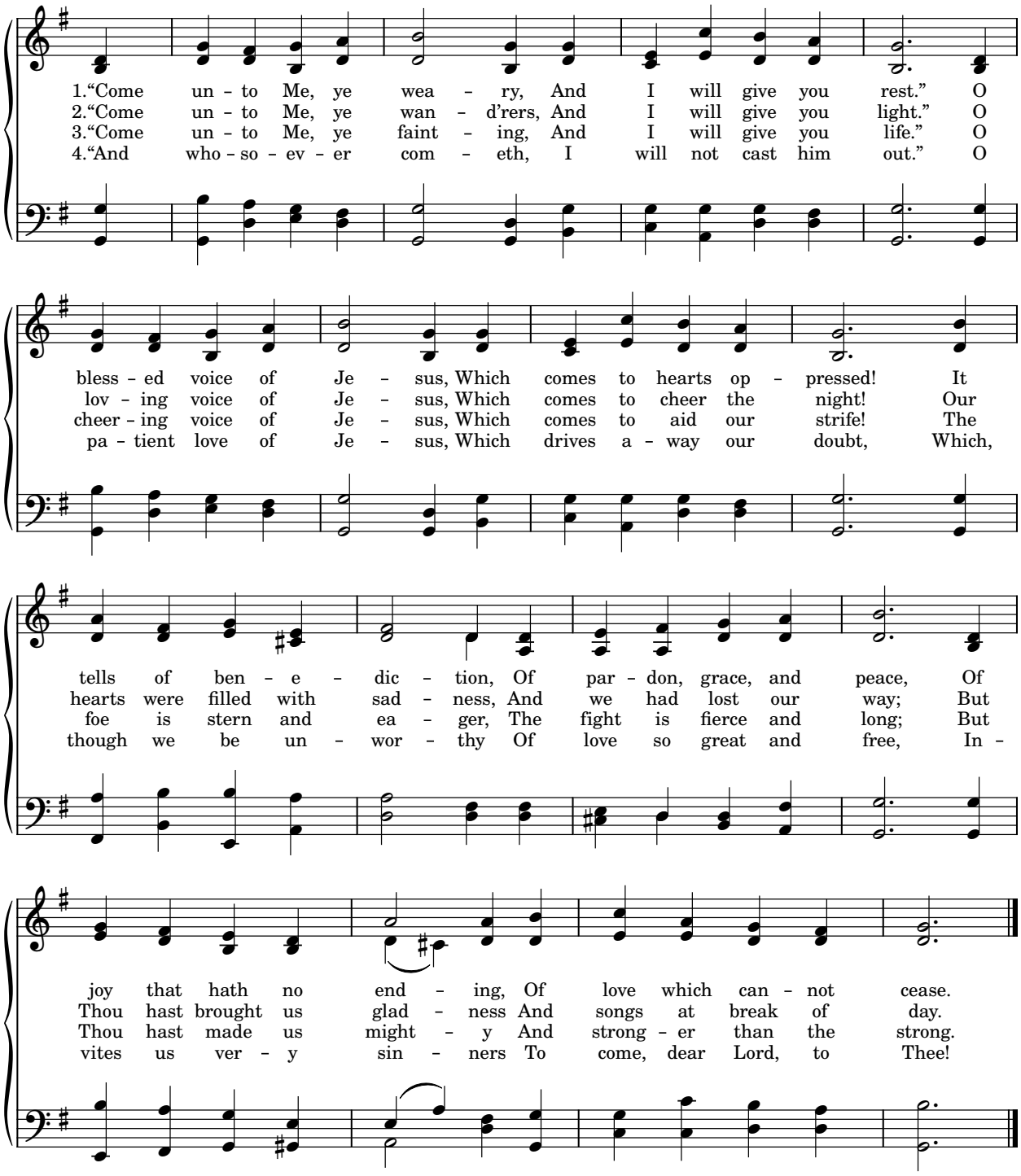
ELH 303. My Song Is Love Unknown



ELH 309. A Wondrous Mystery Is Here



ELH 413. Come unto Me, Ye Weary



ELH 477. The Will of God Is Always Best



ELH 472. All Men Living Are But Mortal



5. Patriarchs of sacred story
And the prophets there are found;
The apostles, too, in glory
On twelve seats are there enthroned.
All the saints that have ascended
Age on age, through time extended,
There in blissful concert sing
Alleluias to their King.

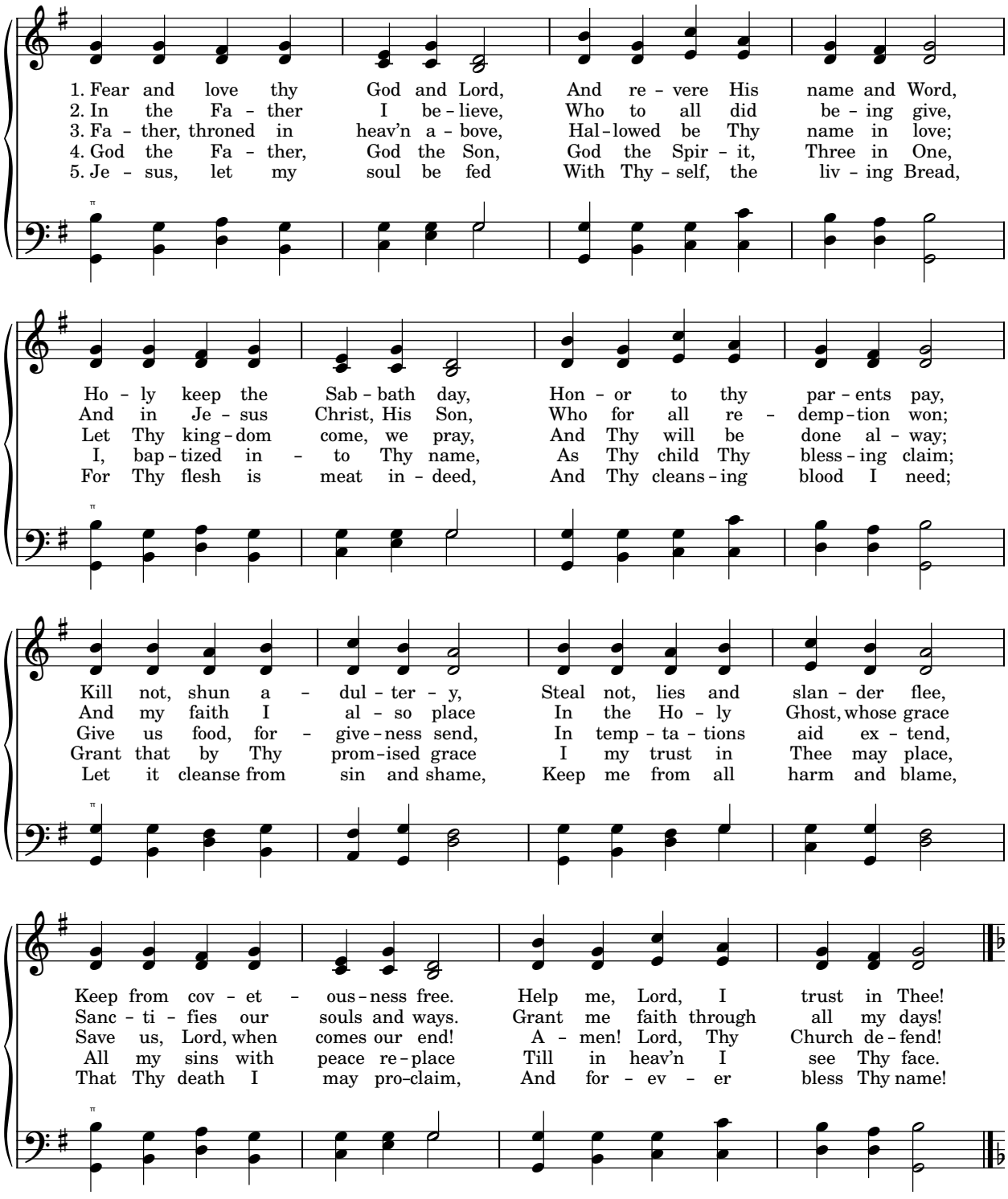
6. O Jerusalem, how glorious
Dost thou shine, thou city fair!
Lo, I hear the tones victorious
Ever sweetly sounding there.
O the bliss that there surprises!
Lo, the sun of morn now rises,
And the breaking day I see
That shall never end for me.

7 Yea, I see what here was told me,
See that wondrous glory shine
Feel the spotless robes enfold me,
Know a golden crown is mine.
Thus before the throne so glorious
Now I stand a soul victorious,
Gazing on that joy for aye
That shall never pass away.

ELH 485. O Day of Rest and Gladness



ELH 510. Fear and Love Thy God and Lord



ELH 542. In Heaven Above



ELH 569. Now Rest Beneath Night's Shadow

