FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Faith Women Thankoffering Sunday
Christ the King Sunday
November 22, 2026

Worship Times 8 & 10:30 am
Sunday School 9:15 am
Fellowship Time 9:15 am

† Indicates - Please stand if able

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude: Prelude and Fugue on "King's Weston" *arr. David Lasky*

† Call To Worship

L: Come, let us gather in the presence of God, who calls, equips, and sends us into the world.

C: We give thanks for all who have borne witness to God's love through acts of faith, courage, and service.

Confession and Forgiveness

L: Trusting in God's mercy and love, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

Silence for reflection

L: Merciful God,

C: we confess that we have not always seen your image reflected in one another. You call us to honor the gifts of all your people, yet we have failed to honor the wisdom, leadership, and contributions of others. You call us to seek justice, yet we have ignored the realities of inequality and oppression. You call us to care for those who struggle, yet we have too often chosen comfort over compassion. Forgive our lack of attention, and free us for joyful service; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

L: Hear the good news: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven, and renewed to serve and share God's love in the world.

C: Thanks be to God.

† *Hymn 837 Many and Great, O God" (Wakantanka taku nitawa)*

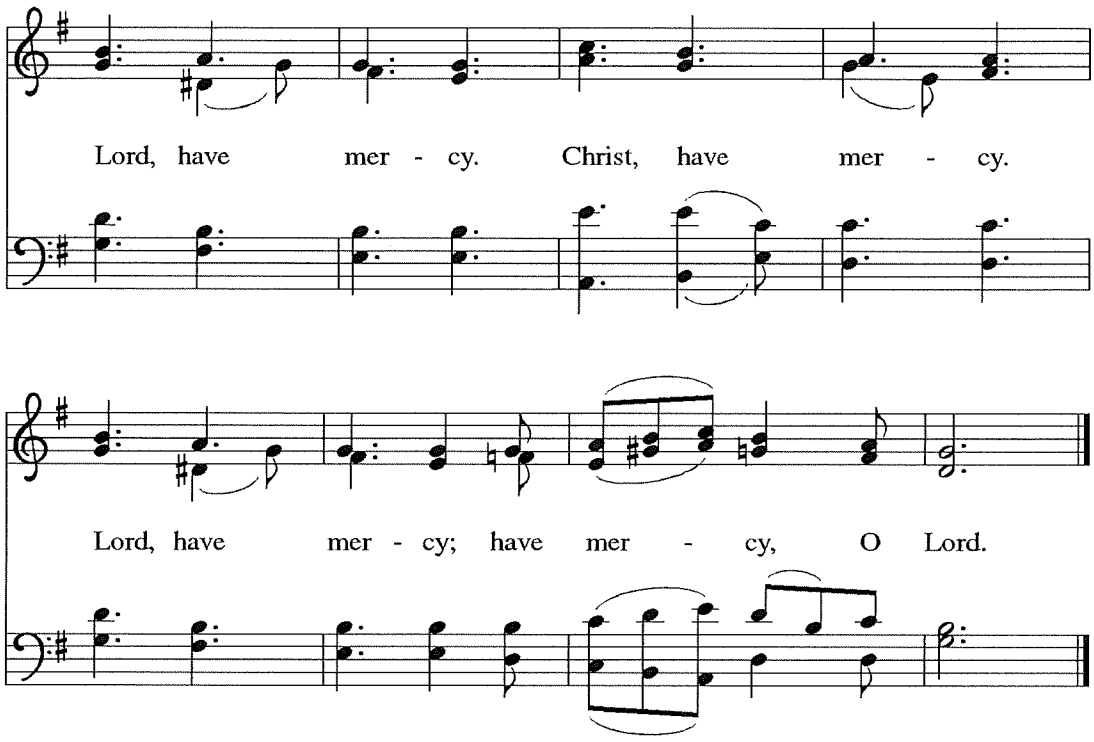
† Greeting

L: 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.

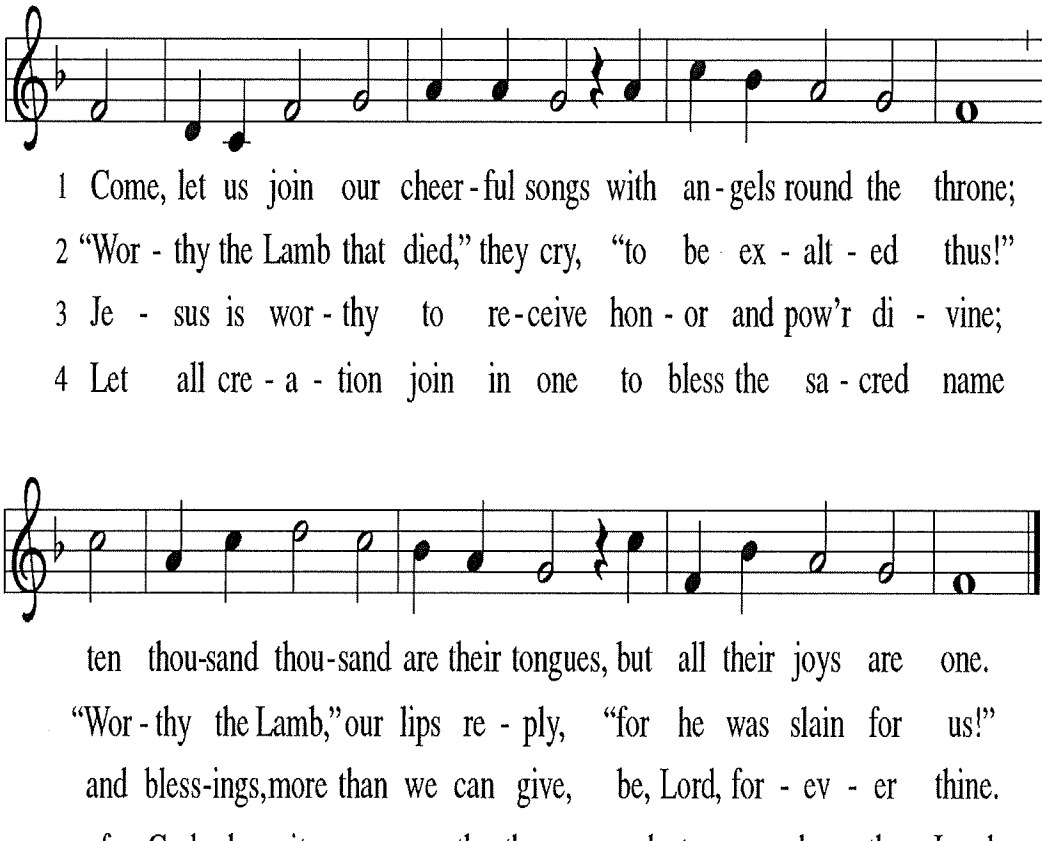
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Kyrie



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Come, Let Us Join



OPENING PRAYER

L: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

L: Let us pray: Lord Jesus, we come together today grateful for your presence and for the many gifts you've placed in our lives.

C: You've created each of us with purpose, strength, and abilities that reflect your goodness.

L: We know that, along with these blessings, people across the world face injustice. We ask you to embrace them—and us—with your comfort and your peace.

C: May we be your hands and feet as we work to lift up those of every nation.

L: Fill this gathering with your joy. Help us to slow down enough to feel your nearness and appreciate those who surround and support us in faith.

C: Guide us as we continue to serve you and shine your light in the world. Amen.

Choir Anthem: Great is the Lord Almighty with Jesus Shall Reign

First Lesson: Judges 4:4-10
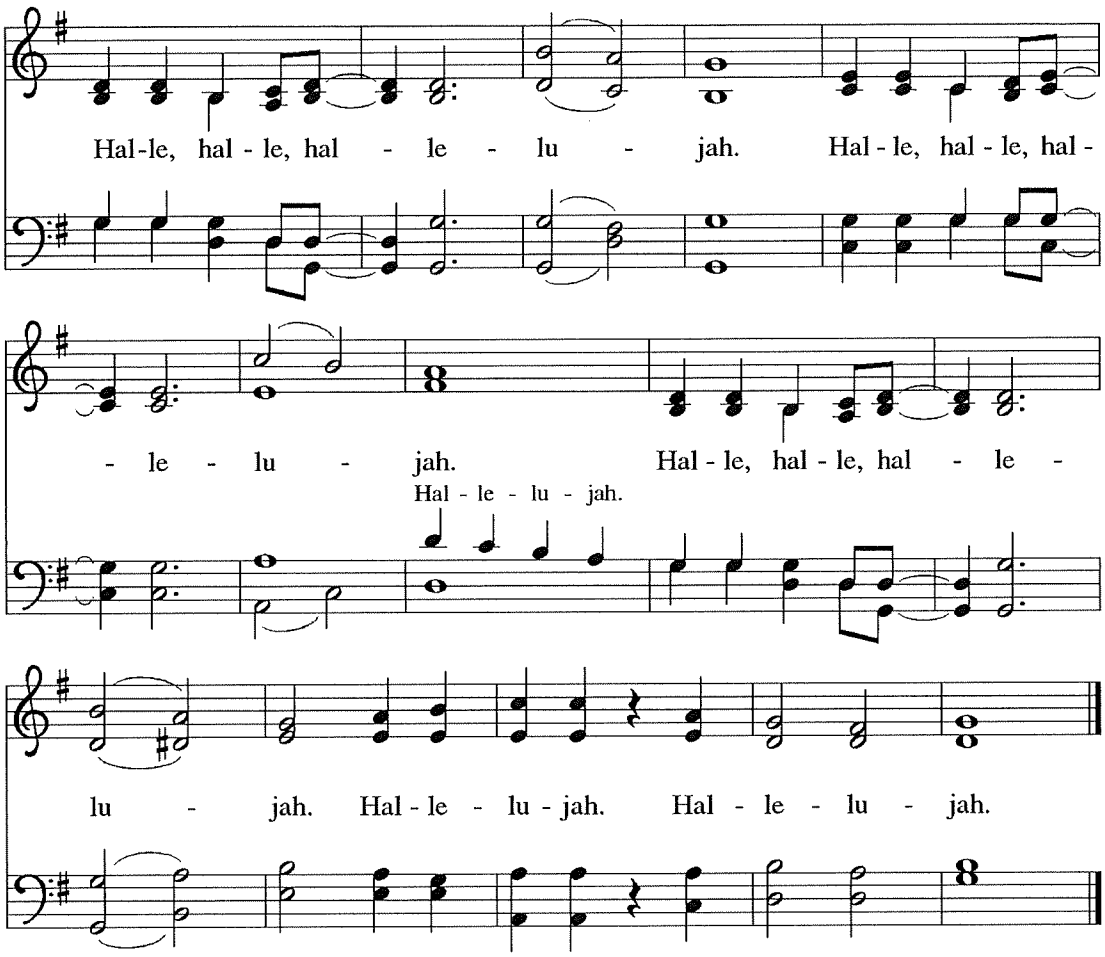
4 Now Deborah, a prophet, the wife of Lappidoth, was leading
[a] Israel at that time. 5 She held court under the Palm of Deborah
between Ramah and Bethel in the hill country of Ephraim, and the
Israelites went up to her to have their disputes decided. 6 She sent for
Barak son of Abinoam from Kedesh in Naphtali and said to him,
"The LORD, the God of Israel, commands you: 'Go, take with you
ten thousand men of Naphtali and Zebulun and lead them up to
Mount Tabor. 7 I will lead Sisera, the commander of Jabin's army,
with his chariots and his troops to the Kishon River and give him
into your hands.'"
8 Barak said to her, "If you go with me, I will go; but if you don't go
with me, I won't go."
9 "Certainly I will go with you," said Deborah. "But because of the
course you are taking, the honor will not be yours, for the LORD will
deliver Sisera into the hands of a woman." So Deborah went with
Barak to Kedesh. 10 There Barak summoned Zebulun and Naphtali,
and ten thousand men went up under his command. Deborah also
went up with him.

Psalm 146

(congregation reads even verses)

1 Praise the Lord.
Praise the Lord, my soul.
2 I will praise the Lord all my life;
I will sing praise to my God as long as I live.
3 Do not put your trust in princes,
in human beings, who cannot save.
4 When their spirit departs, they return to the ground;
on that very day their plans come to nothing.
5 Blessed are those whose help is the God of Jacob,
whose hope is in the Lord their God.
6 He is the Maker of heaven and earth,
the sea, and everything in them—
he remains faithful forever.
7 He upholds the cause of the oppressed
and gives food to the hungry.
The Lord sets prisoners free,
8 the Lord gives sight to the blind,
the Lord lifts up those who are bowed down,
the Lord loves the righteous.
9 The Lord watches over the foreigner
and sustains the fatherless and the widow,
but he frustrates the ways of the wicked.
10 The Lord reigns forever,
your God, O Zion, for all generations.
Praise the Lord.

† Halle, Halle, Hallelujah



† Gospel: John 20:11-18

11 Now Mary stood outside the tomb crying. As she wept, she bent
over to look into the tomb 12 and saw two angels in white, seated
where Jesus' body had been, one at the head and the other at the foot.
13 They asked her, "Woman, why are you crying?" "They have taken
my Lord away," she said, "and I don't know where they have put
him." 14 At this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but
she did not realize that it was Jesus. 15 He asked her, "Woman, why are
you crying? Who is it you are looking for?" Thinking he was the
gardener, she said, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where
you have put him, and I will get him." 16 Jesus said to her, "Mary." She
turned toward him and cried out in Aramaic, "Rabboni!" (which means
"Teacher"). 17 Jesus said, "Do not hold on to me, for I have not yet
ascended to the Father. Go instead to my brothers and tell them, 'I am
ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'"
18 Mary Magdalene went to the disciples with the news: "I have seen
the Lord!" And she told them that he had said these things to her.

L: The Word of the Lord
C: Thanks be to God

L: YOUTH MESSAGE

TEMPLE TALK - Kaitlyn Blust

† ***Hymn They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love*** (see insert)

† **NICENE CREED** *Page 104*
We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven;
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen

THE PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

L: Hear us, O God.
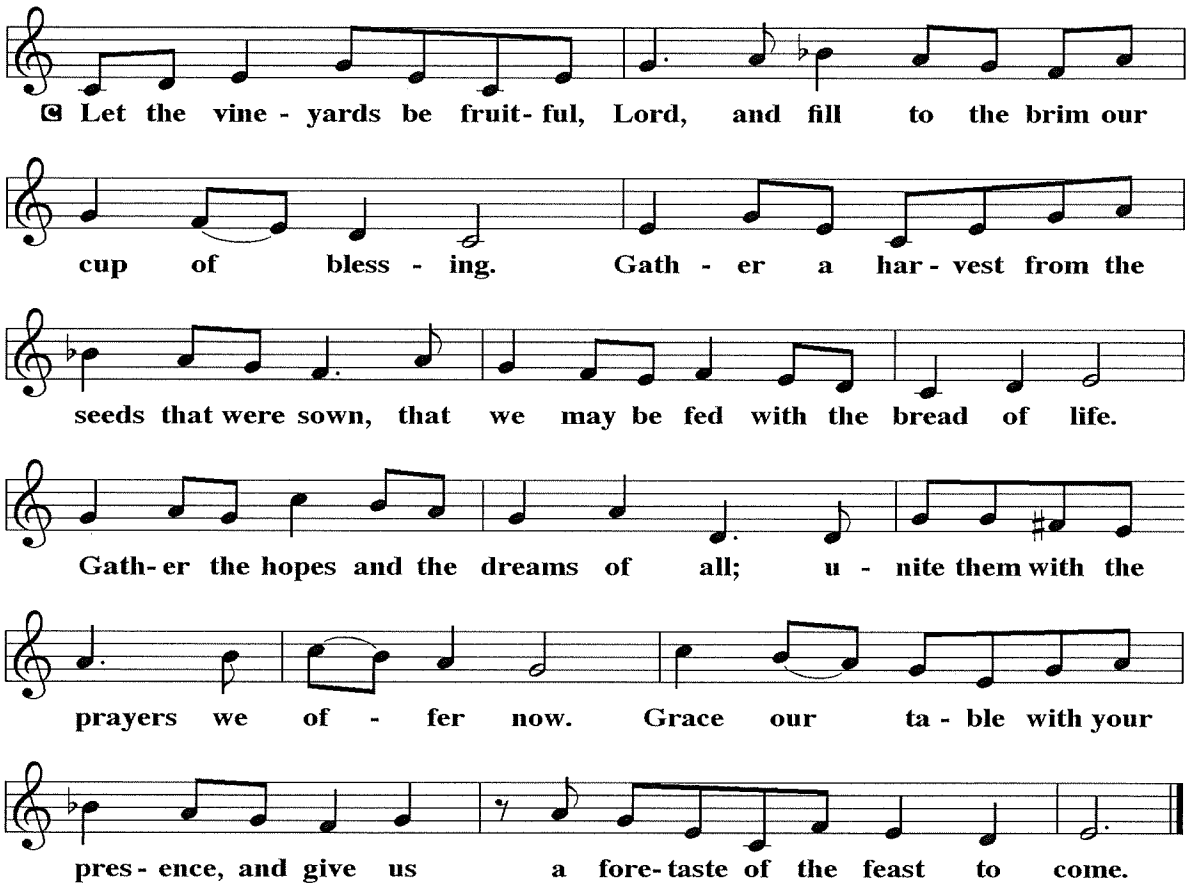
C: Your mercy is great.

SHARING THE PEACE

The Offering: Crown Him With Many Crowns *by George J. Elvey*

You are invited to bring your Thankoffering donations up to the tables in the front of the Sanctuary, and drop your coins in the large pot by the organ at this time.

† **Let The Vineyards**

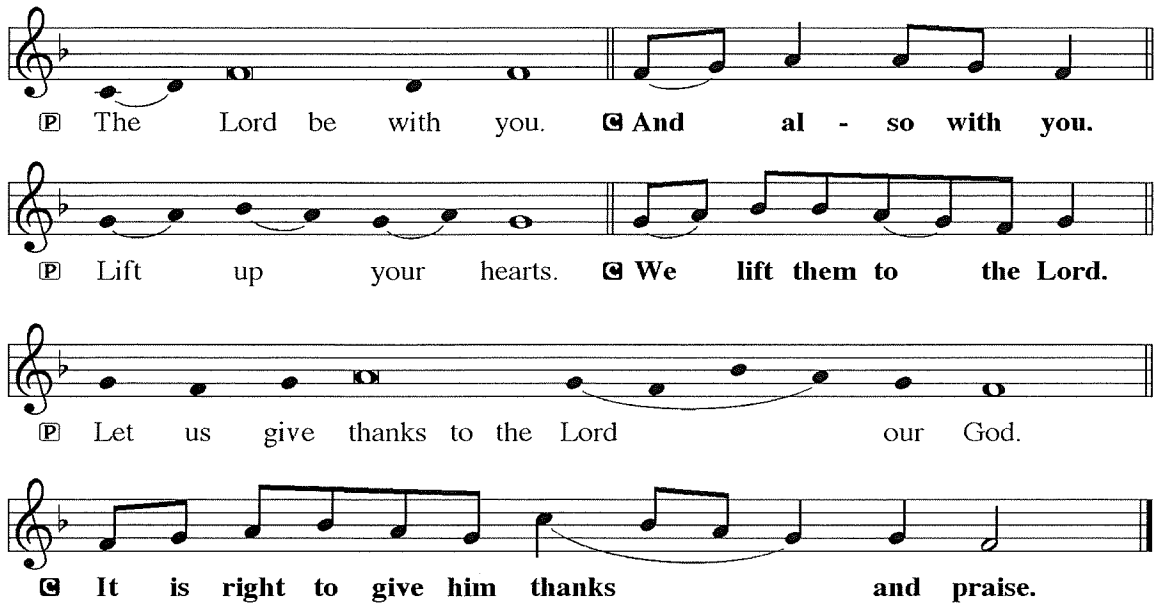


† Offertory Prayer

L: Let us pray. Generous God, we thank you for those who have cared for us and for the gifts we are free to share with others.

C: Bless these offerings, that through them the needs of the world may be met.
Amen

† **The Great Thanksgiving**
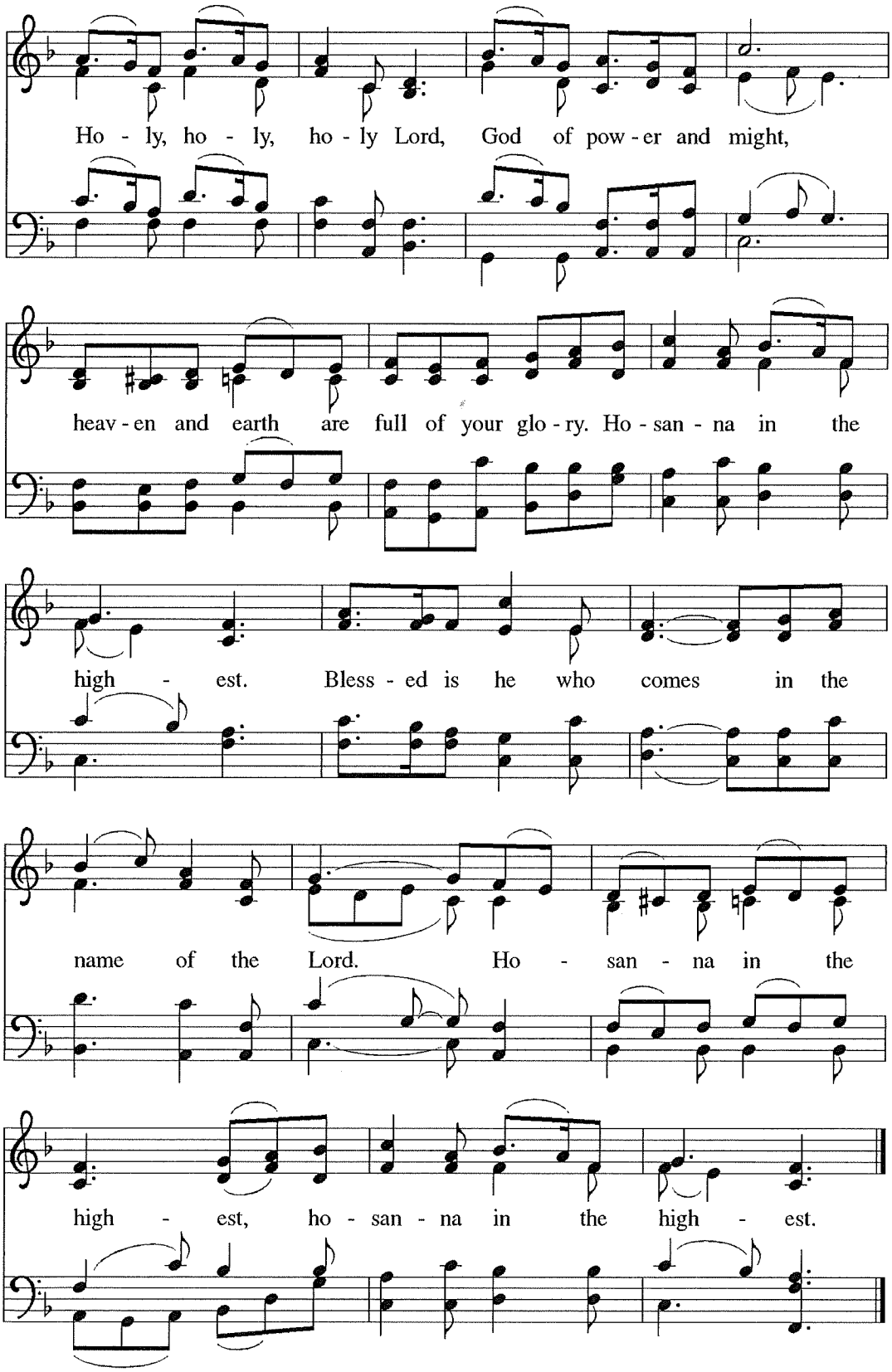


P: It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord. In the blessedness of your saints you have given us a glorious pledge of the hope of our calling; that, moved by their witness and supported by their fellowship, we may run with perseverance the race that is set before us and with them receive the unfading crown of glory. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



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Holy, Holy, Holy

Great Thanksgiving



P: Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth. In mercy for our fallen world you gave your only Son, that all those who believe in him should not perish, but have eternal life. We give thanks to you for the salvation you have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Send now your Holy Spirit into our hearts, that we may receive our Lord with a living faith as he comes to us in his holy supper.

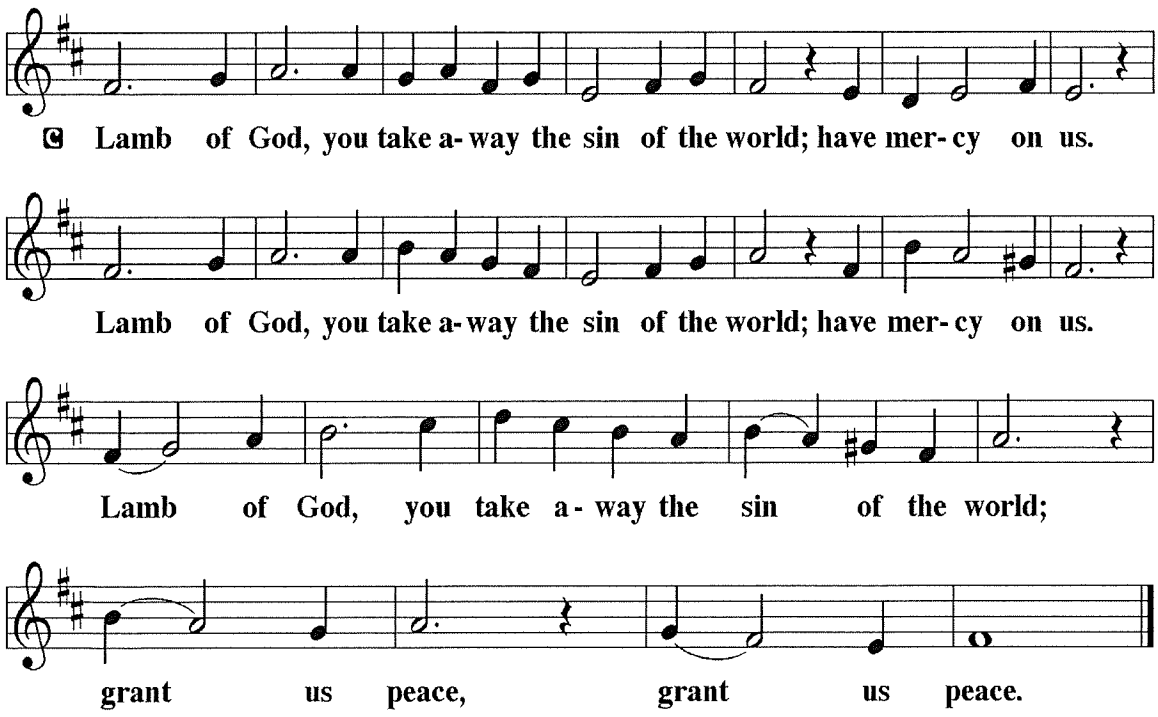
C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P: In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

P: Let us join together in praying our 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

† **Lamb of God**



Distribution of Communion: 465, 496, 482, 493

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

† Post Communion Prayer
P: Let us Pray: God of our salvation, we give you thanks for this meal that restores our souls, reconciles us to you, and strengthens us for the journey.
C: May we become Christ's body in the world, bearing witness to your love for all creation.
Amen.

Blessing
P: May the Lord of abundance bless your going in and your coming out. May heaven's doors open wide and shower you with abundant favor. May you radiate Christ's unconditional love, live justly, and walk humbly. May God give you the faith of Abraham, the laughter of Sarah, the song of Miriam, the courage of Deborah, the passion of Peter and the voice of Mary Magdalene and Paul. And may the blessing of God our Creator, Jesus Christ our Redeemer, and the Holy Spirit our Sanctifier bless you now and remain with you always.
C: Amen.

† Hymn 538 The Lord Now Sends Us Forth

Dismissal
L: Go in peace. Share God's love and make the earth a better place to live.
C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude:Postlude on "Kirken" *arr. David Lasky*

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WELCOME to the worship of the people of God who are Faith Lutheran Church. May you feel the presence of the Lord in our midst and hear His Word spoken to your heart. For more information contact us at faithlutheranmtvernon@gmail.com or check out our website at FLCMTV.org. Our mission at Faith Church is **To Know And Share God's Love.**

IF you are a ***GUEST,*** you are invited to sign our guest book in the narthex with your name, and contact information, so we may give you a cordial welcome, and an invitation to return to worship with us soon. If you have children, please check out our Children's Activity Center on the wall in the narthex. Changing tables are available in Room 207 and Room 211 (Nursery). There is also a private mothers' space available in Room 214. Contact an usher if you need assistance.

The Sacrament of Holy Communion is being celebrated today. The invitation to commune is extended to all Christians who are seeking to follow Jesus in their lives. We have glasses of white grape juice available for those who request it. Just ask the communion assistant as they come to you. Come join us as our brothers and sisters as we gather as God's family at His table. Infants and children may be brought to the altar for a blessing by the Pastor. Communion recipients are asked to give the communion cards to an usher when coming forward. This is the only record we have of those communing. Visitors are asked to give their home church so we can forward notification of your communion with us

FLOWERS on the altar are given by ***Jim Harder & Sally Berger*** to the glory of God, and in celebration of 38th wedding anniversary.

SPECIAL THANKS

We want to thank Faith Women for leading the service today.

DECORATING THE SANCTUARY FOR CHRISTMAS

It is that time of year again, it is time to deck the halls for Christmas! On November 22nd, TODAY, we want to put up the decorations in the sanctuary and we need your help. Decorating the sanctuary will take place following the 10:30 service We need any volunteers we can get to help decorate the sanctuary as we prepare for the Christmas season.

GIVING ENVELOPES

Your new 2027 giving envelopes are ready and waiting on the table in the back of the Sanctuary! Please stop by to pick yours up, and thank you for your faithful support of our church family.

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

The Church office will be closed November 25, 26, & 27 for Thanksgiving.

TREE OF SHARING OUTREACH (Turn the Tide)

Twenty gift requests for toys and clothes are in the entryway today and the next two weeks between services and after the second service. We have 10 boys & girls from 6 months to age 16. We also have household item requests for the four families. All gifts must be in Room 214 by Sunday, Dec. 13. Laurel Johnson will be at the tree if you have questions. Or you can call or text Martha Melick 740-398-7025.

FAITH WOMEN'S COOKBOOKS

Faith Women's Ministry is excited to share their new "Foods of Faith" cookbook, a collection of recipes by members and friends. They are making these available by **donation only**. All proceeds will help fund the Sanctuary Renovation Project. Get your copy today from the table in the back of the Sanctuary. You may also want to pick up some additional ones for gifts!!

FAITH'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

There will be a Christmas party for the congregation of Faith Lutheran Church on Saturday, December 12th, time to be announced. The party is a time of celebration as we all prepare for the holiday as we come together over hot cocoa, swapping Christmas cookies, and more. Plan to join us for a festive time of celebration as a church family.

ADVENT SERIES

Prepare Your Heart for Advent. Anticipate the joy of Christ's birth with our church family! Pick up your Advent Devotional for adults, teens, and young children, as well as the Advent Calendar on the table in the back of the sanctuary. Use these daily readings and family-friendly activities to focus on hope, peace, joy, and love all season long.

FOOD FOR THE HUNGRY

It is estimated that 14,400 people struggle with food insecurity in Knox County, and you can make a difference Food for the Hungry will be having their food drive on Friday, December 11 from 9:00 am - 4:00 pm. A food pantry can still use a single $1 to buy $4.56 worth of food from Mid-Ohio Food Collective. And all donation to FFTH stays in Knox County. See the insert in this bulletin giving you more information.

THANKSGIVING DINNER

Art Schad, Shelley Grubb, Jim Harder, and Sally Berger are hosting a Thanksgiving Dinner on Thanksgiving Day in the fellowship hall at 2:00 p.m. Anyone who doesn't have plans to be with family or friends that day are welcome to join us. Please just let us know if you are coming so we know how much food to prepare. You do not need to bring any food. However, if you have a favorite dish that you would like to share feel free to contribute to the feast.

FAITH EVENTS

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CALENDAR FOR WEEK OF NOV. 22 - 28, 2026

Today:	8 & 10:30 am	Worship/Holy Communion Thankoffering Sunday
	9:15 am	Sunday School
	9:15 am	Fellowship Time
	4:00 pm	Bell Choir
Mon:	7:30 pm	AA
Wed:		**Office Closed**
Thurs:		**Office Closed**
Fri:		**Office Closed**

PLEASE PRAY FOR: MEMBERS: Bob & Kathy Atwell, Jordan & Nico Barnard, Vicki Blubaugh, Joe Curran, Al Dexter, Larry Everhard, Jan Frye, Eileen Hartman, Carolyn Jacquet, Ann Jurkowitz, Kathy Lamb, Betty McDonald, Judy Mustaine, Dan Myers, Stan Park, Fran Smyser.

FRIENDS AND FAMILY: Alan (friend of Art Schad), Linda, Marie, Linda Beach, Devin Boyer, Nora Burke & family, Mike C, Jon & Debbie Dunham, Aaron Everhard, Nick Frost, baby Gabriel (heart surgery, Texas), Kayla Gadd, Linda Galyon, Chester Gingerich, Grant, Lon Hamby, Susan Jeffery, John Jones, Eddie and Miranda Jones, Beth Kost, Barb, Marv Keck, Dean & Marilyn Kempton, Debra Kempton, Jerry Kies, Alan (Ann Dice's brother), Dr. William McFarren, Jim Major (friend of Pastor Mark Wildermuth), Scott Mickley, Tina Miller, Donald Morehour, Sue Moreland, Anderson O'Briskie, Philp's family (Washington State house fire), Quinton (friend of Alex Jones), Shirley Ramsay, Julie & Brian Ramsey, Bruce Renne, Jan Rice, Sam Robert, Mona Russell and Heather & Danielle, Karen Scott, Wayne Snyder, Gabe & Micah Stauffer, Willow Steiner, an 8 month old with "Spitz" cancer, Martha Stuller, Becky Thomas, Josie Watts, Pam Wolfe, Karen Zedeker, and all others on our hearts and minds.

PRAYER SHAWL RECIPIENTS (in the last three months): Dani Bee, Warren Blair, Barb, Brian Dodd, Barbara Mickley, Ruth, Jamie Lynn Turner, Rev. Arnie Frank, Rev. Dennis Nelson., Rev. Keats Miles.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY: Gavin Thomas, Master Sargent Christopher Dominick.

Bold indicates new

SERVING OUR LORD TODAY

	8:00 am	10:30 am
Welcome	Jenny Grinstead	Jenny Grinstead
Greeter	Jen Curran	Jill Park
Ushers	Patty Keaton	Polly Norberg
	Jenny Grinstead	Karen West
Liturgist	Kathy Noblit	Marilyn Wilford
Reader s	Peg Snow	Shelley Grubb
Temple Talk	Kaitlyn Blust	Kaitlyn Blust
Prayers of Intercess.	Linda Gehrisch	Laurel Johnson
Communion Assist.	Melissa Dexter	Dianne Williams
Closing Prayer	Jenifer Curran	Cheryl Johnson
Acolyte	Catherine Eesley	Karen Greever

Altar Guild - Jill Park
Communion Committee: - Kathy Noblit & Cheryl Johnson
Tellers - Cheryl Johnson & Karen Greever

SERVING OUR LORD NEXT SUNDAY

	8:00 am	10:30 am
Ushers	Kevin Mishey	John Mizer
	Tom Updike	Jenny Grinstead
Reader	Mike Eesley	Sally Berger
Acolyte	Bette Mishey	Stephen Volz
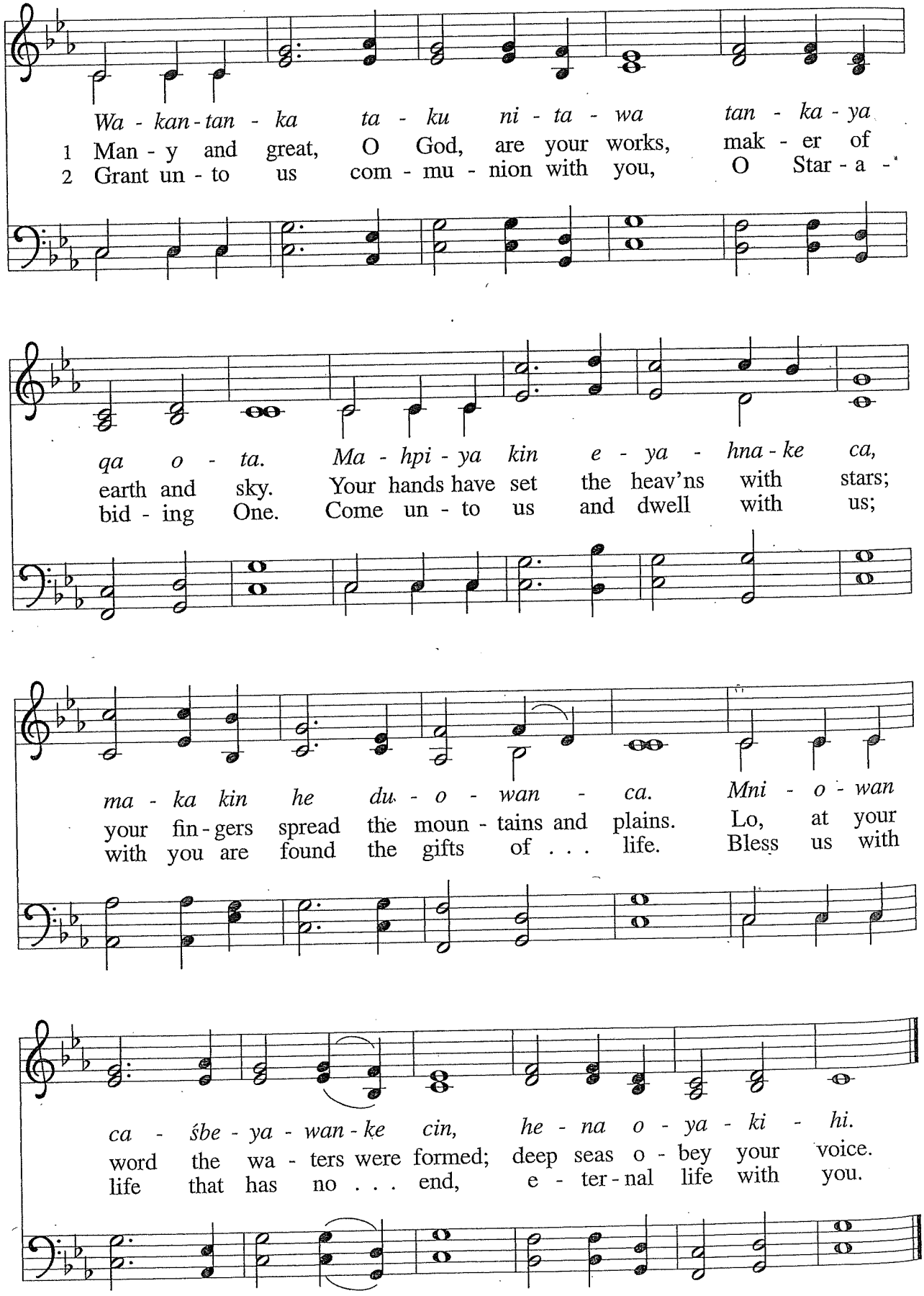
Altar Guild - Jill Park
Tellers - Cheryl Johnson & Karen Greever

LITTLE RED WAGON

Red Wagon Sunday is fast approaching! On November 29th at both services, we will have our Red Wagon Sunday collection in addition to our usual Sunday donations. We are collecting donations for the Lil' Pantry on Sychar road. The Lil' Pantry recently posted a list of items they could use most, and what they need most are rice, peanut butter, jelly, and Thanksgiving meal items like stuffing mix, gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, and cranberry sauce. Please bring any donations with you to service on the 29th so we can bless this great ministry in our town.

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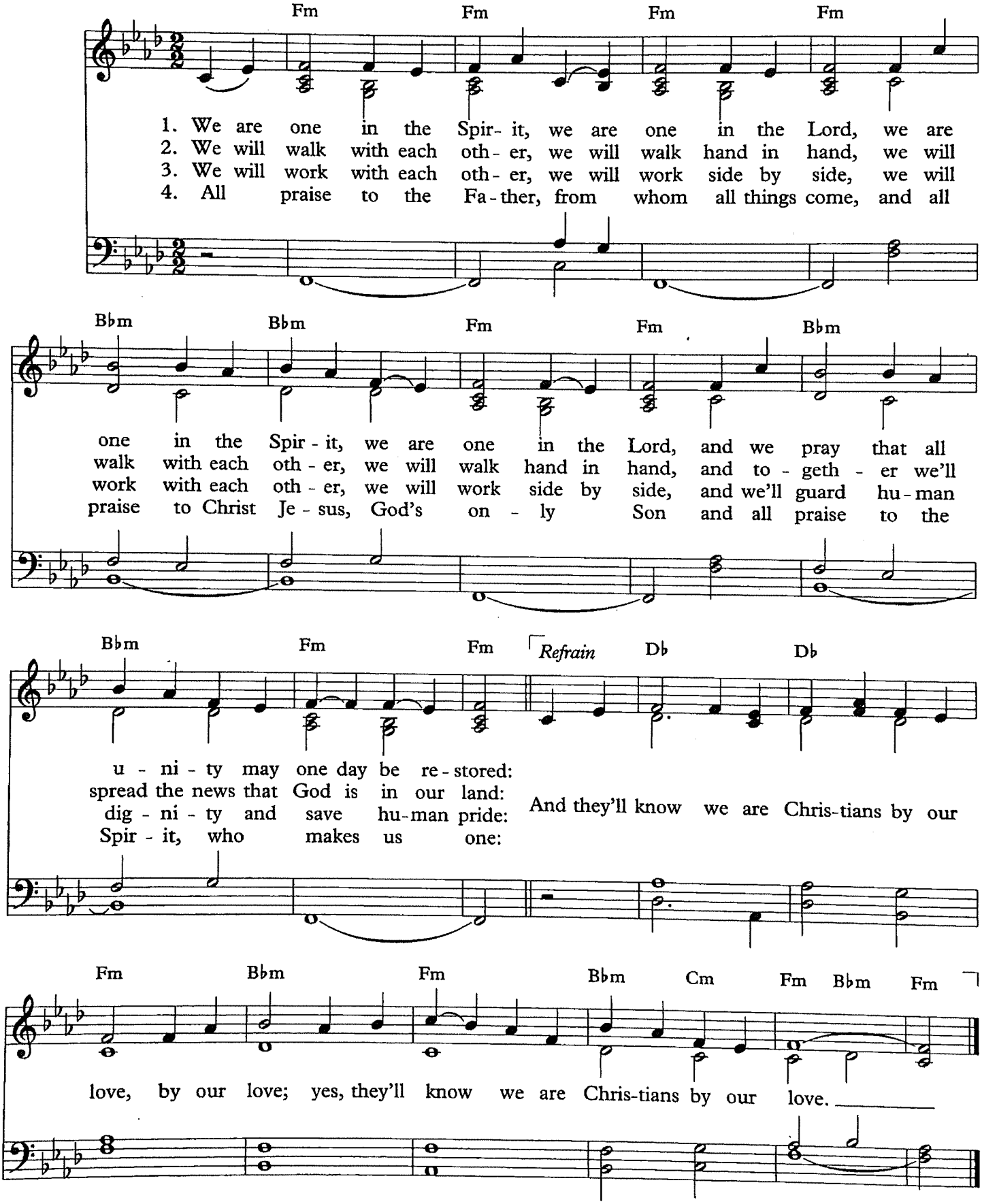
Many and Great, O God
Wakantanka taku nitawa



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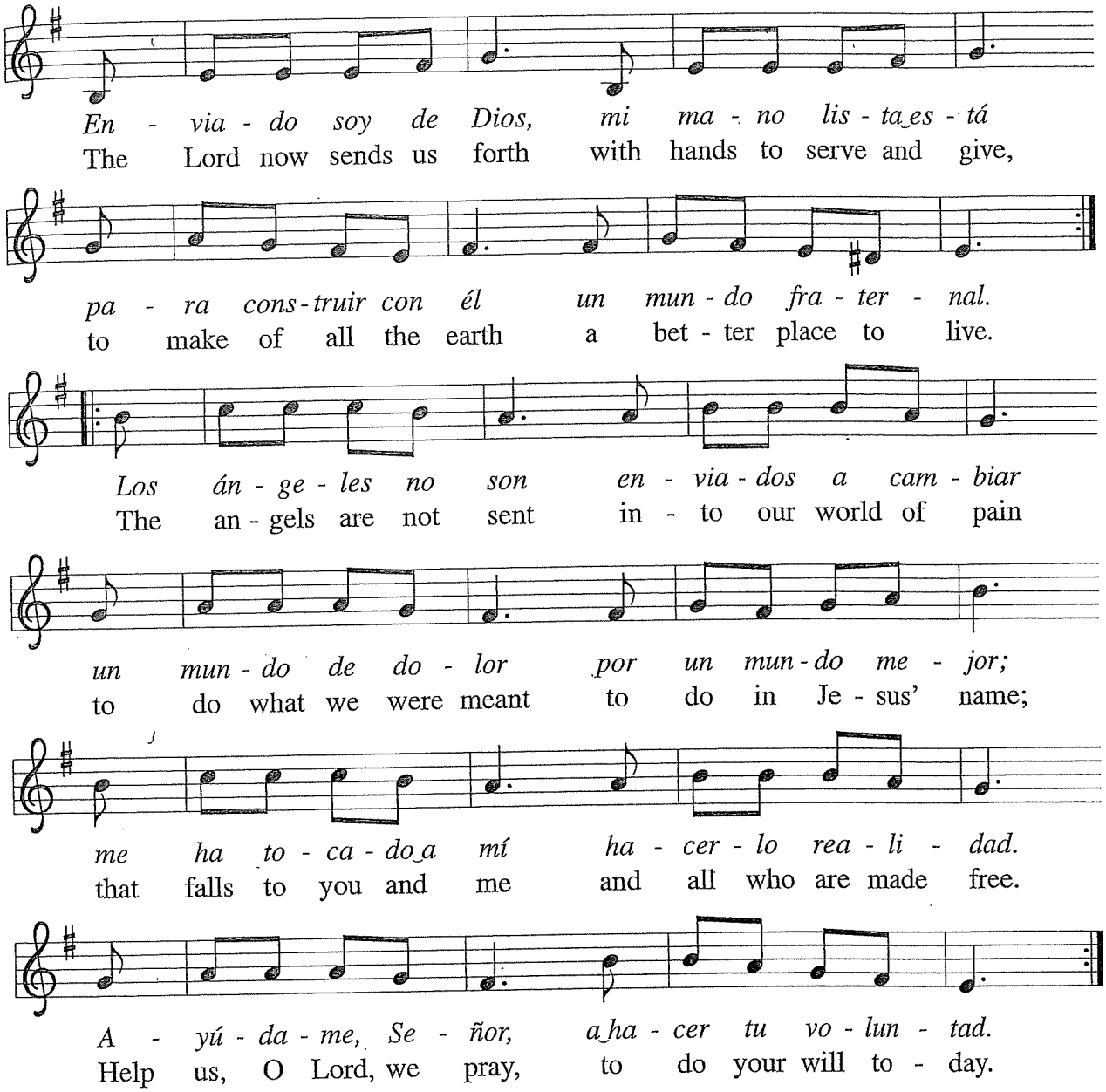


WORDS: Peter Scholtes (John 13:34-35; Eph. 4:4-6)
MUSIC: Peter Scholtes

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The Lord Now Sends Us Forth

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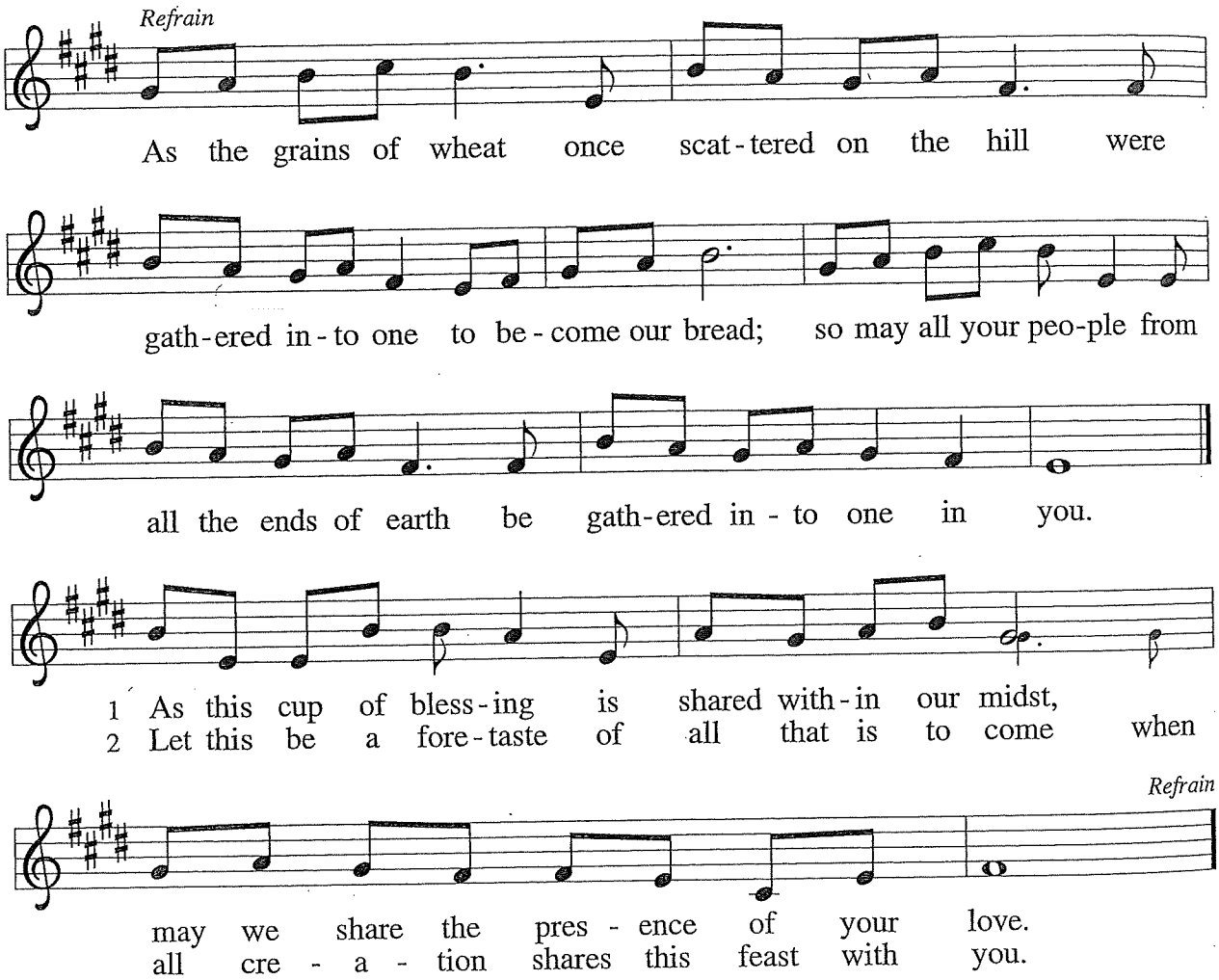
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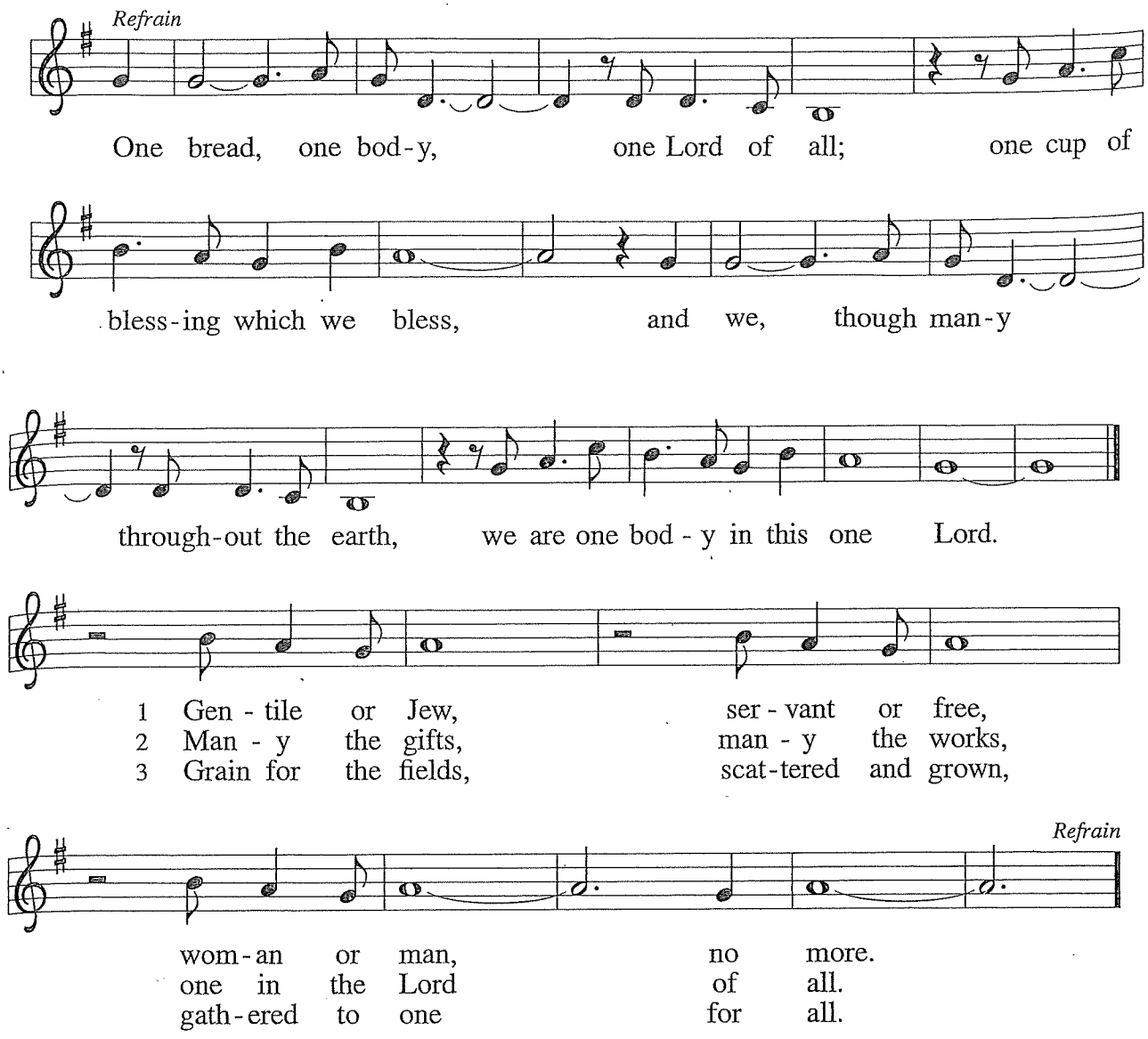
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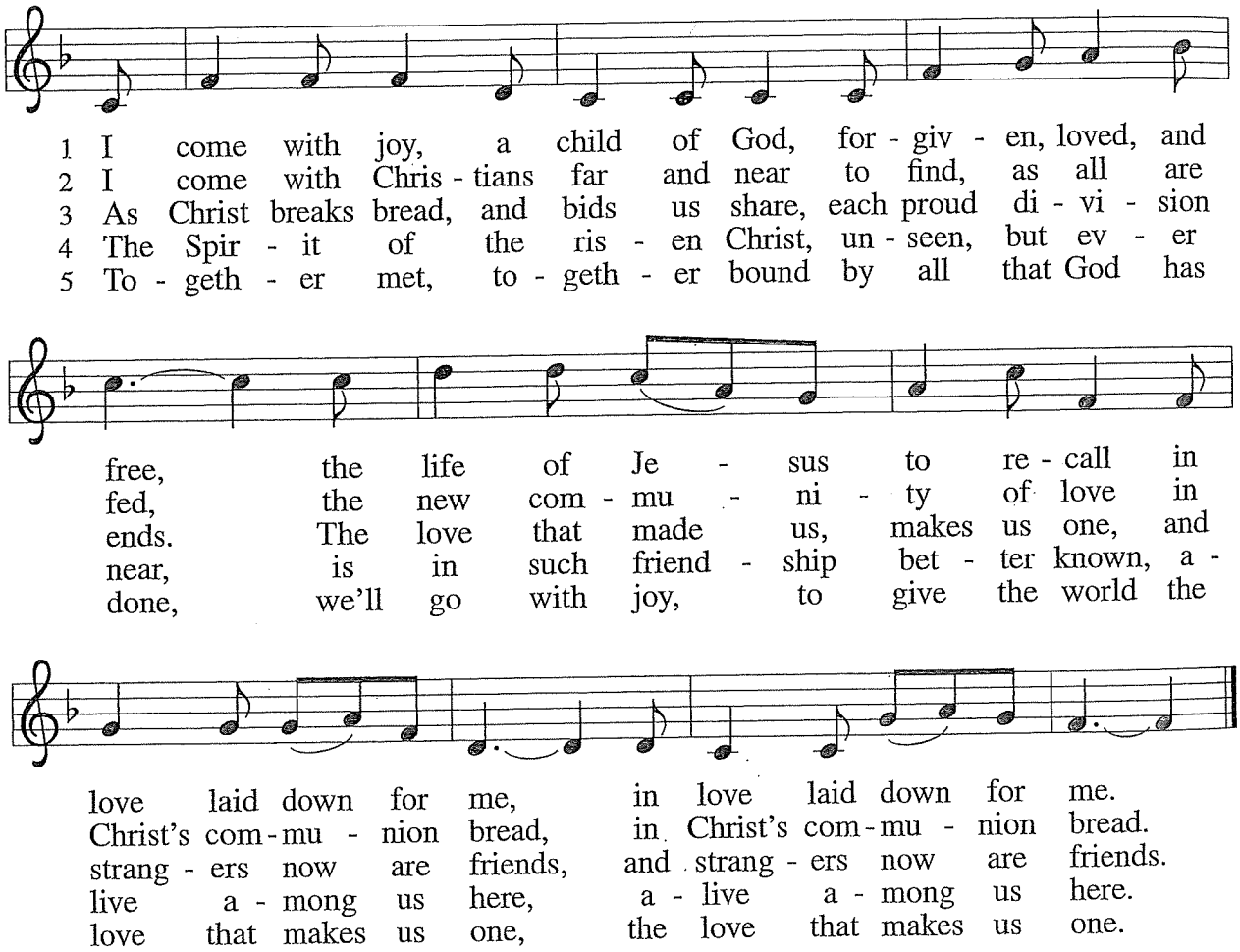
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AS THE GRAINS
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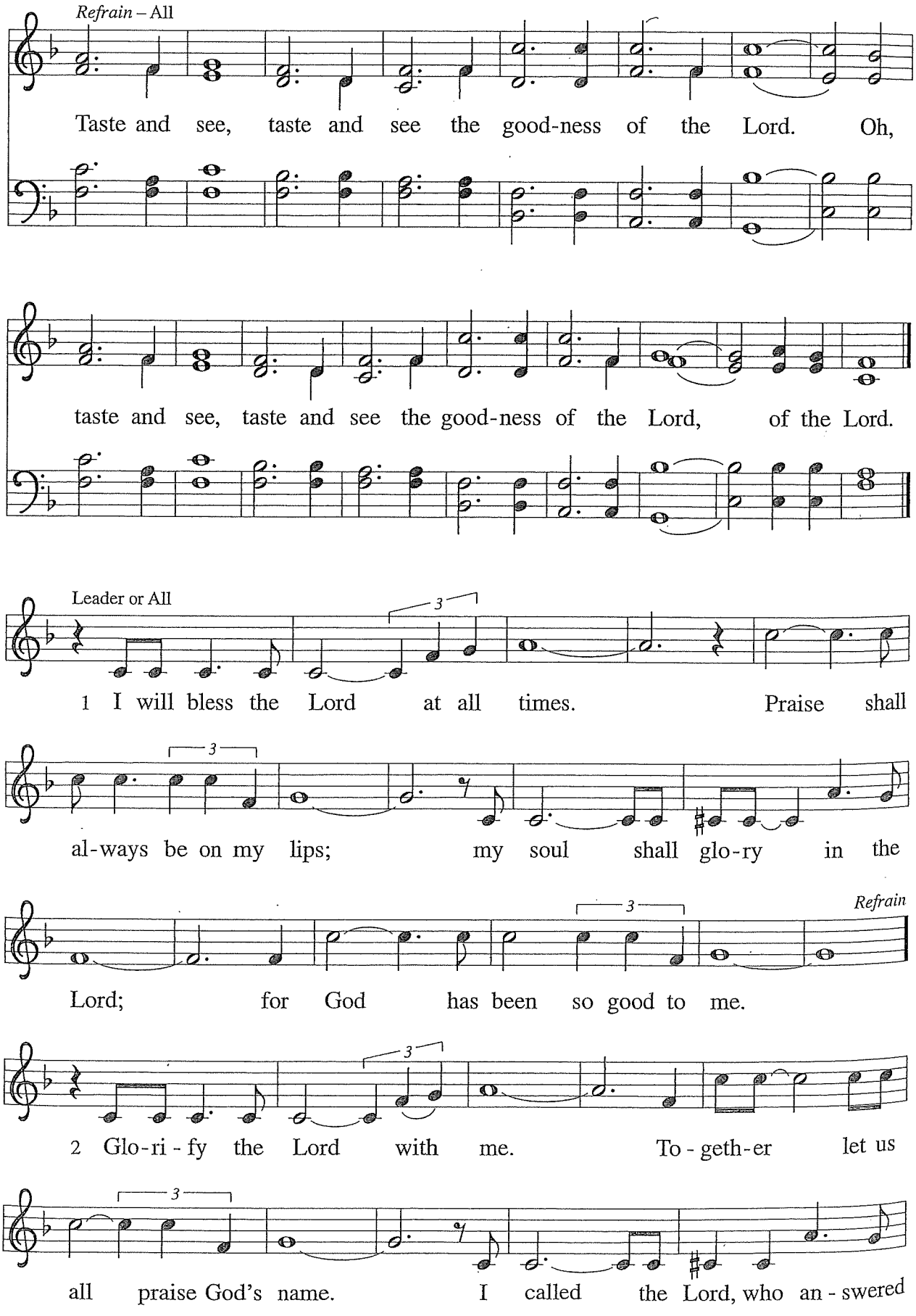


482 I Come with Joy



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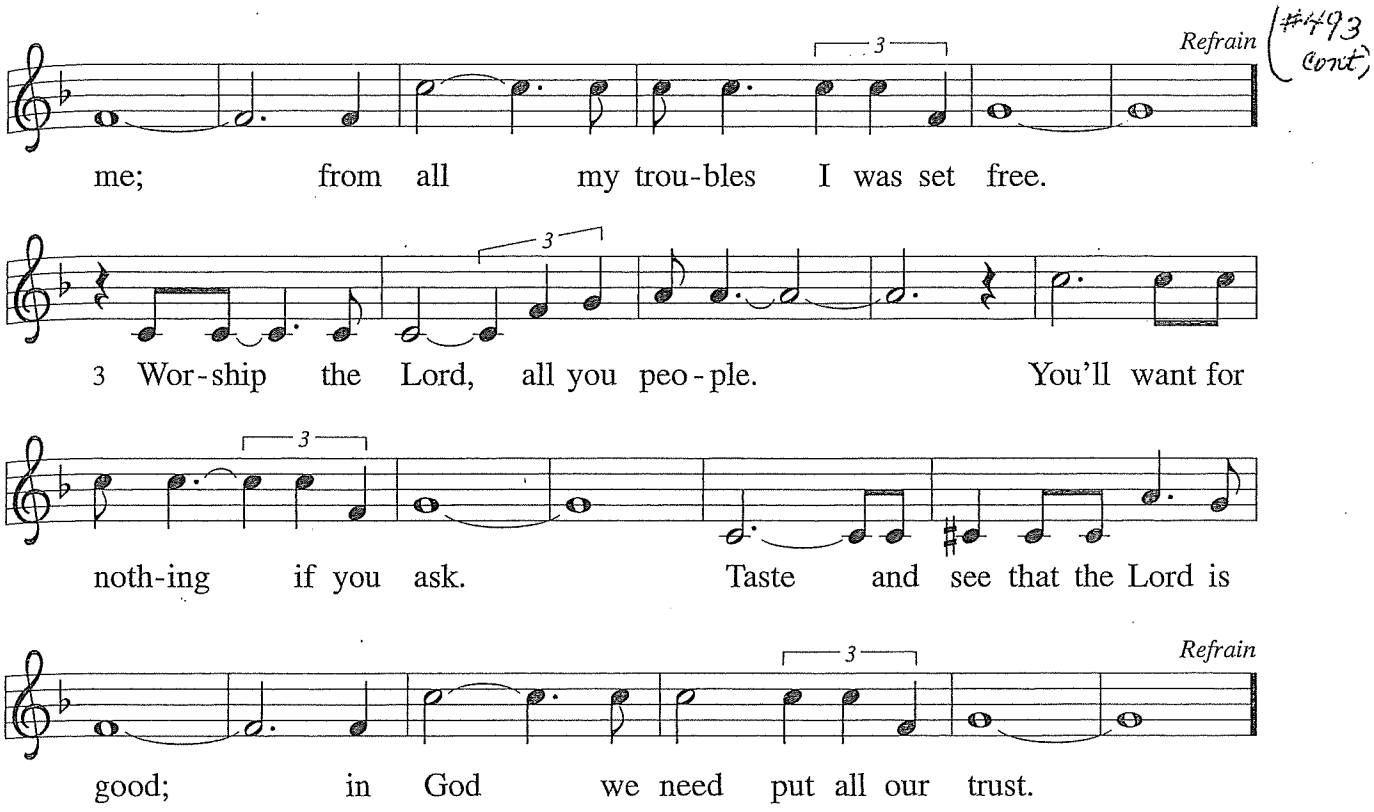
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493 Taste and See



Text: James E. Moore Jr., b. 1951, based on Ps. 34
Music: James E. Moore Jr.

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Refrain
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me; from all my trou-bles I was set free.
3 Wor-ship the Lord, all you peo-ple. You'll want for
noth-ing if you ask. Taste and see that the Lord is
Refrain
good; in God we need put all our trust.

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Working Together To Care For Our Neighbors



All Faith Women are invited



CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

hosted by Mary Martha Circle

Tuesday, December 8th 12 noon
Fellowship room next to kitchen

Main Entree: Lasagna
Side dish from the Faith Foods Cookbook

Short business meeting to follow

<u>Gather Devotional</u> with Laurel Johnson

RSVP on the FWELCA bulletin board
or contact Marilyn Wilford, Jenny Grinstead,
or Cheryl Johnson

