Welcome to St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Lancaster

Saturday Worship

Rev. Jamie Retallack
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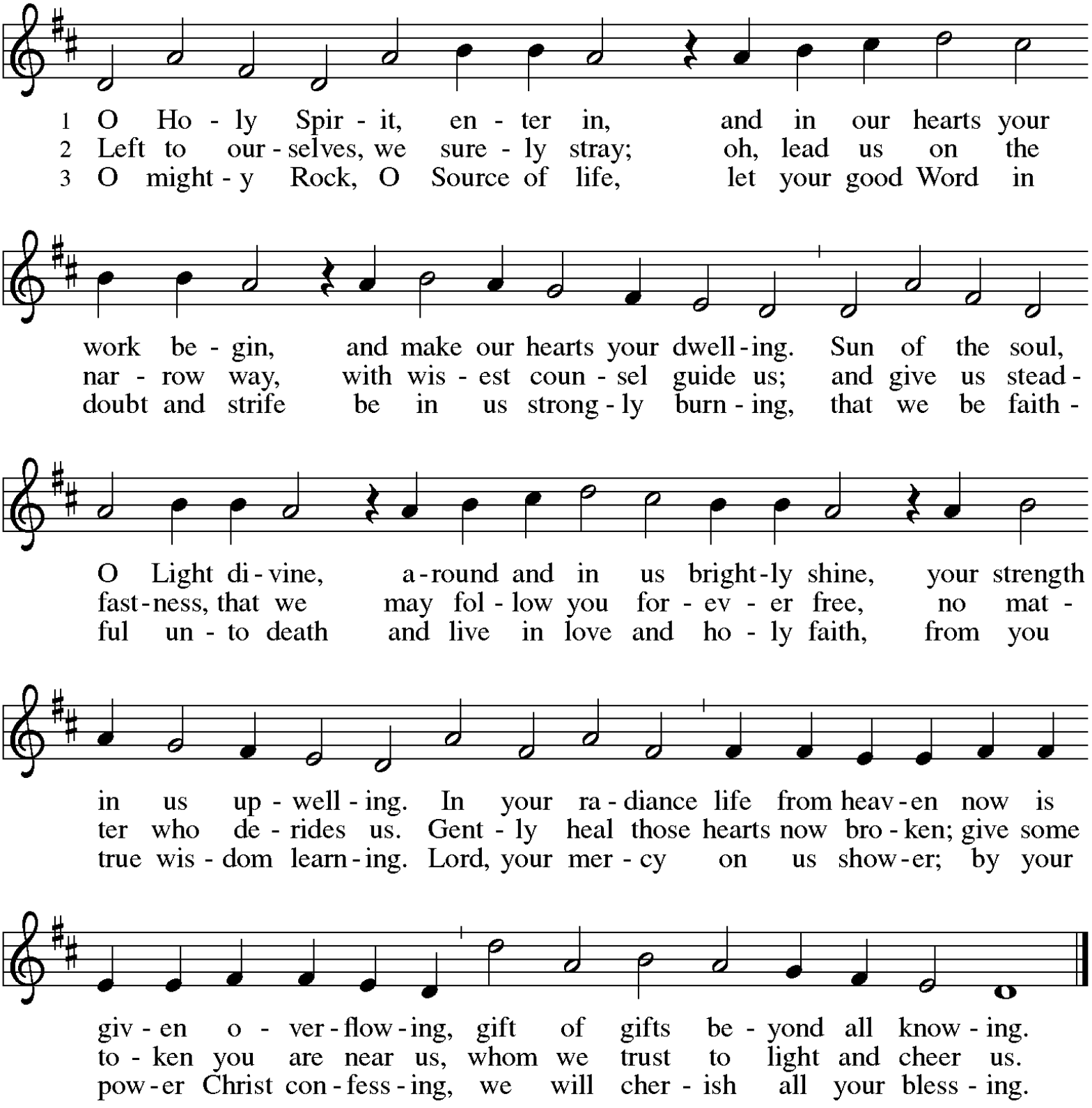
8th Saturday in Pentecost
July 17th, 2021 5:30pm

The Prelude
The Greetings
The Invocation
The Opening Hymn ELW 786

O Holy Spirit, Enter In



The Confession and Forgiveness

Trusting in the word of life given in baptism, we are gathered in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

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

Silence for Prayer & Confession

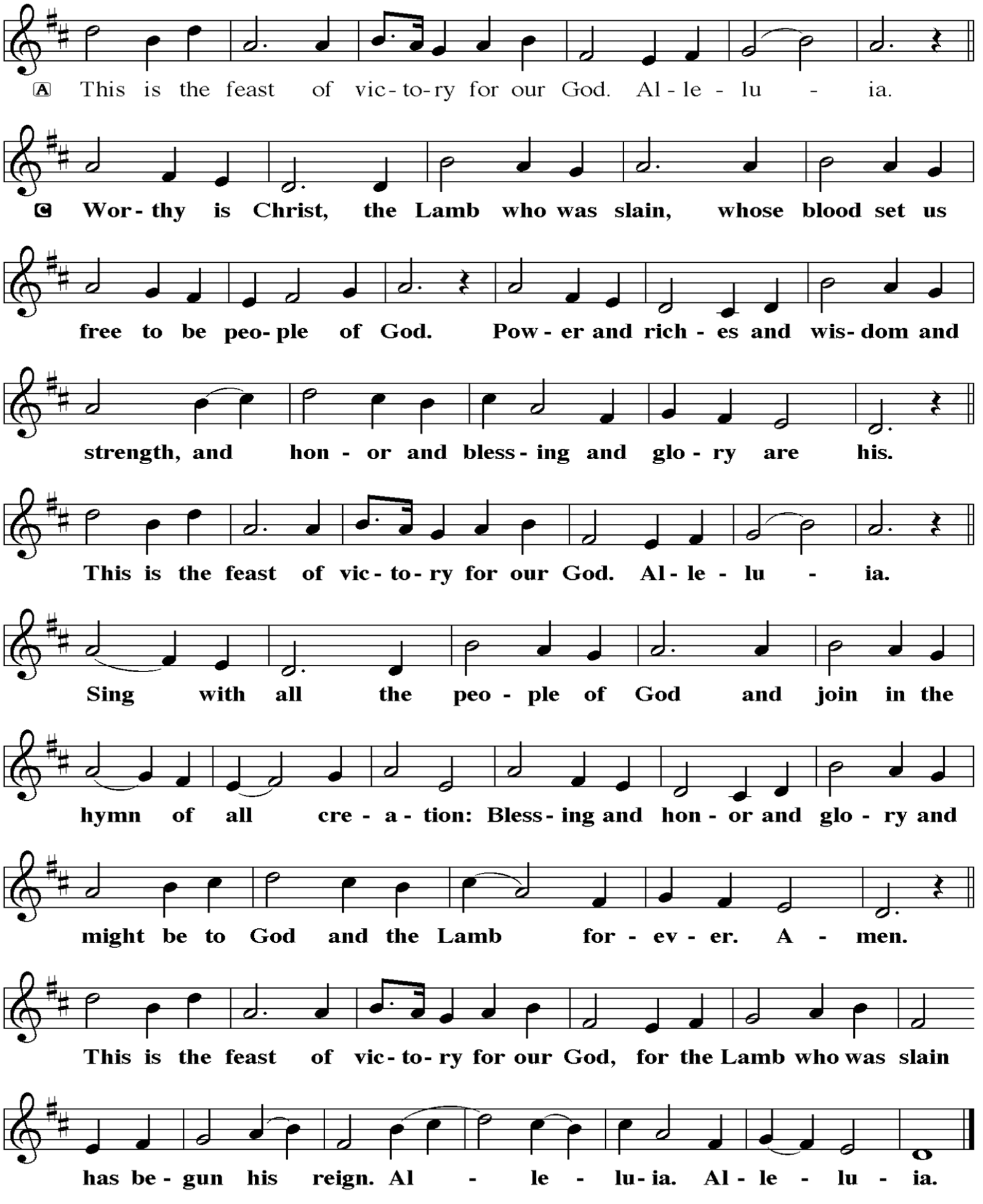
Reconciling God, **you seek peace and unity among us, but too often we choose walls of isolation. You seek to be one with your creation, but we turn away from your loving spirit. In your forgiving love, break down the barriers we create, that we might see more clearly your love for us, be reconciled with our neighbor, and trust more deeply your promise of eternal life. Amen.**

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Prayer of the Day

O God, powerful and compassionate, you shepherd your people, faithfully feeding and protecting us. Heal each of us, and make us a whole people, that we may embody the justice and peace of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

The Hymn of Praise



The First Reading Jeremiah 23:1-6

1Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of
my pasture! says the Lord. 2Therefore thus says the Lord,
the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd
my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have
driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I
will attend to you for your evil doings, says the Lord. 3Then
I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the
lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back
to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. 4I will
raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and
they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any
be missing, says the Lord. 5The days are surely coming,
says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous
Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall
execute justice and righteousness in the land. 6In his days
Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is
the name by which he will be called: “The Lord is our right-
eousness.”

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 23 Read Responsively

1The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not be in want.

2The Lord makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters.

3You restore my soul, O Lord, and guide me along right pathways for your name's sake.

4Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

5You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

6Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

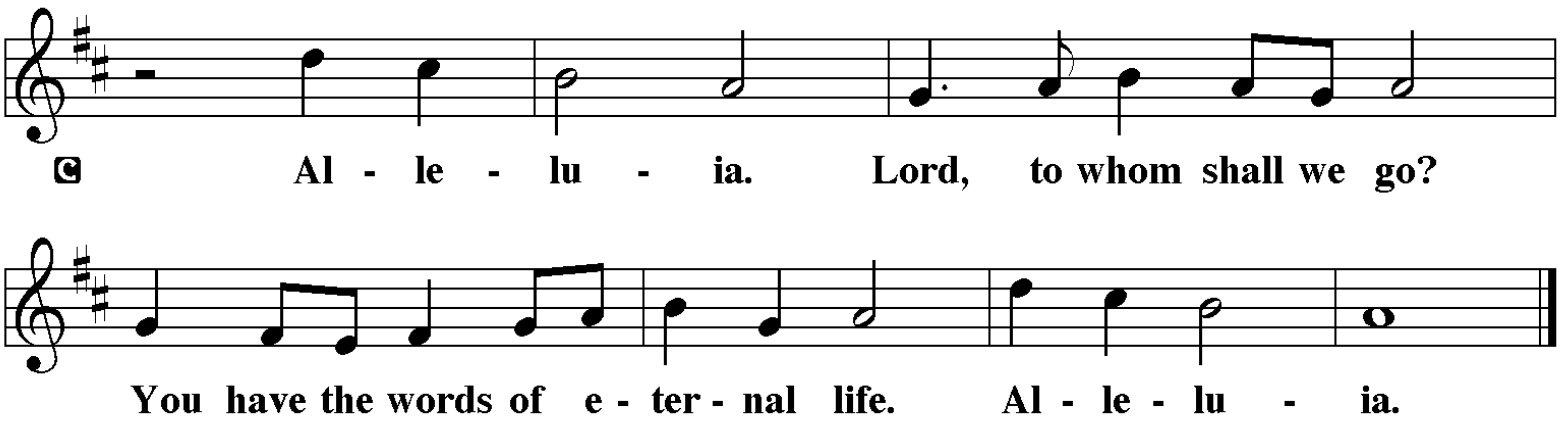
The Second Reading Ephesians 2:11-22

11Remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called "the uncircumcision" by those who are called "the circumcision"—a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands—12remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. 13But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. 14For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. 15He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, 16and might reconcile both groups

to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. 17So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; 18for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. 19So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, 20built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. 21In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; 22in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

The Alleluia



The Gospel Reading Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

Glory to you, O God.

30The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that
they had done and taught. 31He said to them, “Come away to a
deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while.” For many
were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat.
32And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. 33Now many saw them going and recognized them,
and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived
ahead of them. 34As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd;
and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep
without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.
53When they had crossed over, they came to land at
Gennesaret and moored the boat. 54When they got out of the
boat, people at once recognized him, 55and rushed about that
whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever
they heard he was. 56And wherever he went, into villages or
cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and
begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak;
and all who touched it were healed.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ**

The Sermon Pastor Jamie

Hymn of the Day

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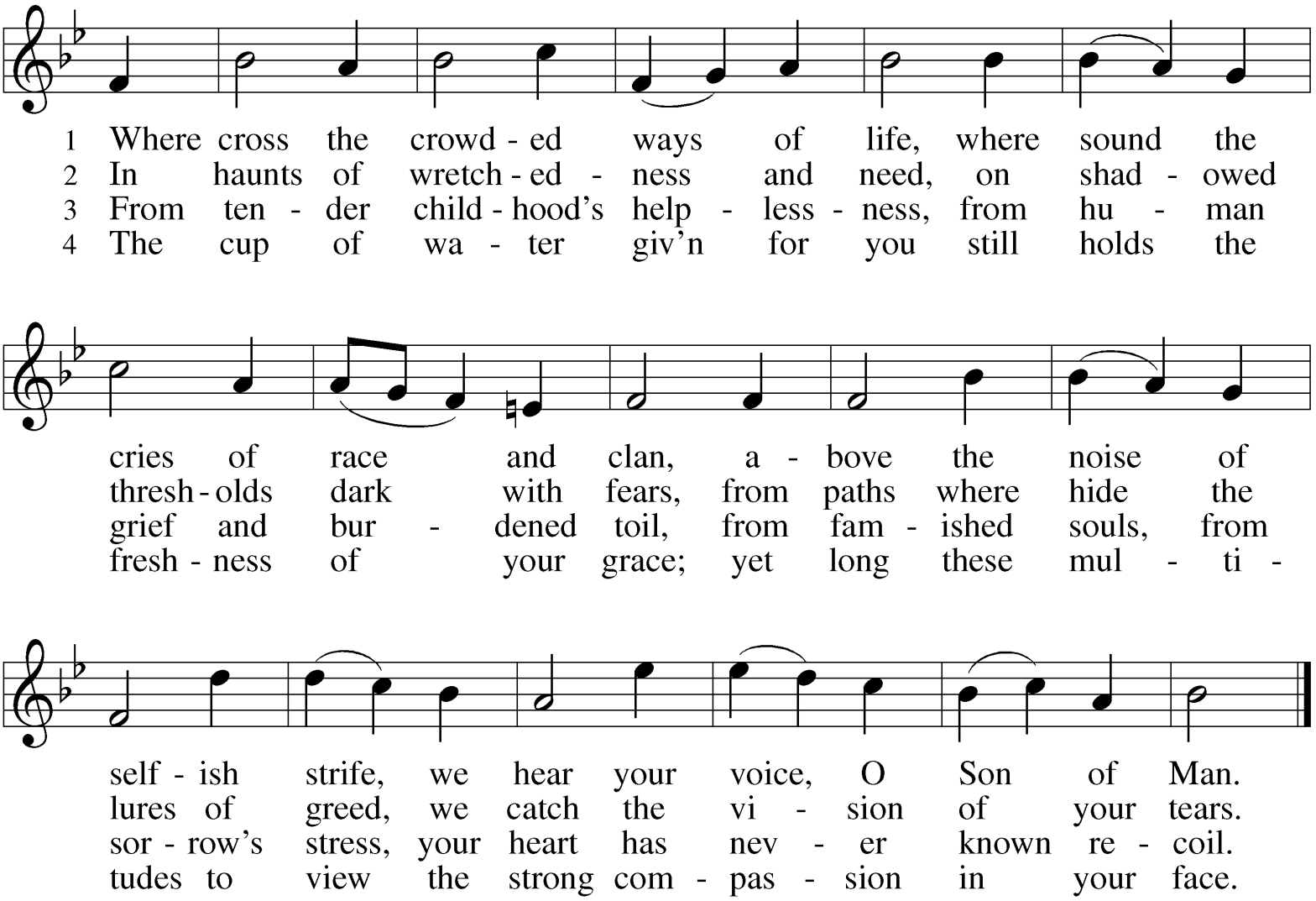
When Cross the Crowded Ways of Life



5 O Master, from the mountainside
make haste to heal these hearts of pain;
among these restless throngs abide;
oh, tread the city's streets again;

6 Till all the world shall learn your love,
and follow where your feet have trod;
till glorious from your heav'n above
shall come the city of our God.

Prayers of Intercession

The prayers are prepared locally for each occasion. The following examples may be adapted or used as appropriate.

Rooted in Christ and sustained by the Spirit, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

Tend your church, O God. Encourage bishops, pastors, and deacons in their proclamation of the gospel. Raise up new leaders and encourage those pursuing a call to ministry. Embolden all the baptized to embody your love and justice.

Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Restore your creation, O God. Sustain croplands and pastures and safeguard all farm animals and livestock. Preserve lakes, rivers, and streams that offer refreshment. Revive lands recovering from natural disasters and protect coastlands threatened by rising oceans.

Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Reconcile the nations, O God. Break down the dividing walls that make us strangers to one another and unite us as one human family. Equip leaders to deal wisely with conflict and guide diplomats who seek peaceful solutions.

Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Heal your people, O God. Look with compassion on immigrants, exiles, and all who are afraid or feel lost. Give rest to those who are weary, comfort to those who are grieving, and recovery to those who are ill especially Robert Scheifla, Elliana Meyers, Zach, Debra Wilczak, Flip Roth, Beatrice Gill, Todd Potter, Alice Kryszczynksi, Debby Taylor, Kimberly Stribing, Floyd Addison, Kathy Peters, Dorothea Konstabel, Christine Make, Edward Kusmierczyk, Amanda S, Annette Drescher, Friends and Family of Michael Altenberg

Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Nourish this congregation, O God. Prepare a table where we receive food for our hungering spirits. Renew our commitment to provide for one another and revitalize our ministries of feeding and nurturing hungry neighbors.

Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Here other intercessions may be offered.

You lead us home, O God. We give thanks for all who have died, now citizens with the saints (especially). As you have received them into your heavenly home, so welcome all of us to dwell in your house forever.

Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

We lift these and all our prayers to you, O God, confident in the promise of your saving love; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayer of the Church

Hear us O God, **your mercy is great.**

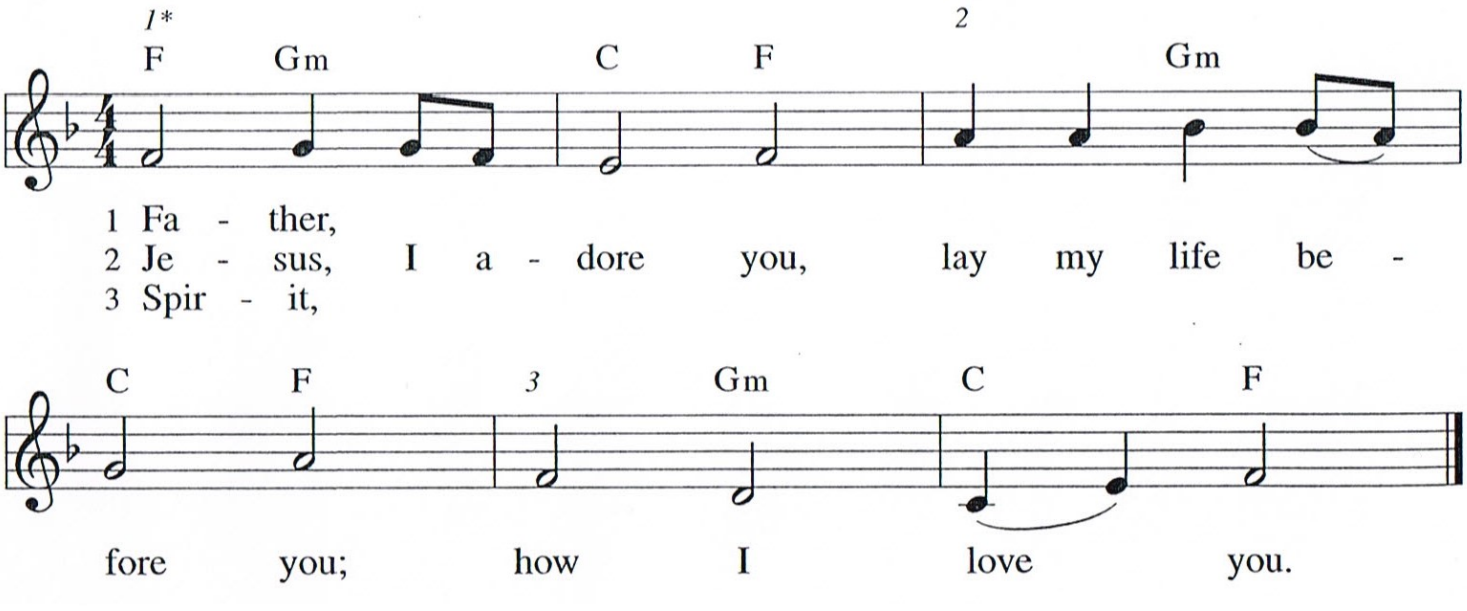
...We lift these and all our prayers to you, O God, confident in the promise of your saving love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Sharing of the Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

The Gathering of Gifts *"Father, I Adore You"*



The Offertory Prayer

Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give God thanks and praise.

The Preface

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. You reveal your glory as the glory of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit: equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your eternal glory. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name.

Words of Institution

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.

The Invitation

The Communion Blessing

> The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

> *Lord remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray...***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.**

The Sending Prayer

> The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, be upon you now and forever. **Amen.**

The Benediction

The Sending Hymn

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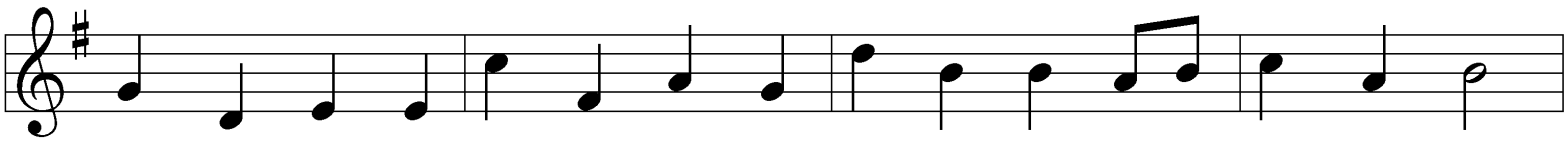
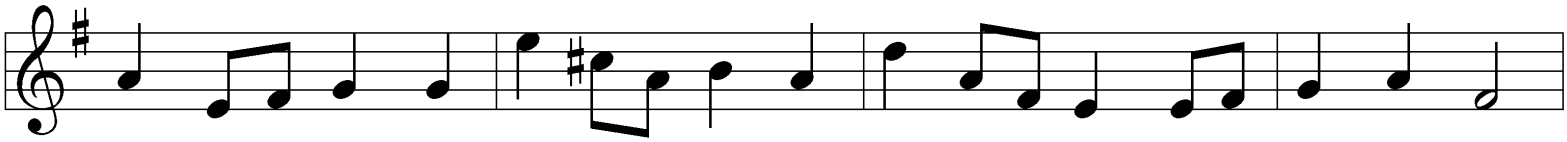
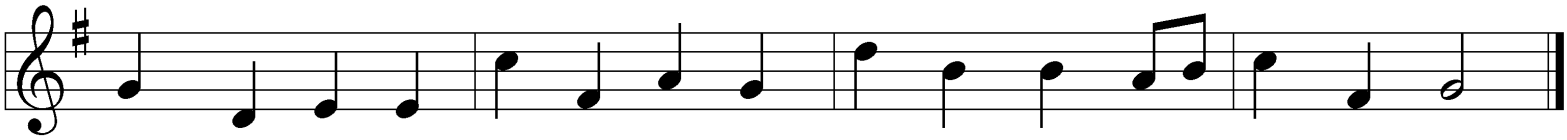
Savior Like A Shepherd Lead Us



1 Sav - ior, like a shep - herd lead us; much we need your ten - der care.
2 We are yours; in love be - friend us, be the guard - ian of our way;
3 You have prom - ised to re - ceive us, poor and sin - ful though we be;
4 Ear - ly let us seek your fa - vor, ear - ly let us do your will;



In your pleas - ant pas - tures feed us, for our use your fold pre - pare.
keep your flock, from sin de - fend us, seek us when we go a - stray.
you have mer - cy to re - lieve us, grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free.
bless - ed Lord and on - ly Sav - ior, with your love our spir - its fill.



Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, you have bought us; we are yours.
Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, hear us chil - dren when we pray.
Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, ear - ly let us turn to you.
Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, you have loved us, love us still.

The Sending

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
We will! Thanks be to God.

The People of St. John's Welcome You for Worship Today!

Robert Scheifla, Elliana Meyers, Zach, Debra Wilczak, Flip Roth, Beatrice Gill, Todd Potter, Alice Kryszczynksi, Debby Taylor, Kimberly Stribing, Floyd Addison, Kathy Peters, Dorothea Konstabel, Christine Make, Edward Kusmierczyk, Amanda S, Annette Drescher, Friends and Family of Michael Altenberg

We will remove names from the prayer list after four weeks unless informed otherwise.

6/27 Giving: $1340.00

Deacon: RaeAnn Jakubowski

Altar flowers are given in memory of the Guy Family from the Kramer and Rusin Families

Announcements for the bulletins are due at noon on Wednesday. Good News articles are due on the 15th of every month.

If would like your **email included on our church email list**, please write it down and put it in the offering plate. If you would like the **monthly "Good News" newsletter emailed** to you instead of physically mailed, please write your name and email with a note and put it in the offering plate. The Good News issues are also available on the website (stjohnslanc.org).

Follow us on Facebook!
Find us on Facebook @stjohnslancaster to keep up to date with information and connect with other members of our congregation!

Youth Group:
Summer pool party at Pastor's house and park, date to be determined. We are waiting to hear the status of the Lancaster 4th of July Parade, so be on the lookout if we will be selling freeze pops and water. Starting in September we will be going back to meeting twice a month!

Calendar of Events

Saturday	7/17	5:30pm	In person/ online service
Sunday	7/18	9:00am	Tailgate Church
Sunday	7/18	10:30am	In person/ online service
Monday	7/19	7:30pm	Queen City Chordsmen
Tuesday	7/20	7:00pm	Narcotics Anonymous
Friday	7/23	7:30pm	Narcotics Anonymous
Saturday	7/24	5:30pm	In person/ online service
Sunday	7/25	9:00am	Tailgate Church
Sunday	7/25	10:30am	In person/ online service

This year marks the 10th anniversary of my ordination. I'd like to celebrate by supporting Lake Chautauqua Lutheran center, the camp that helped me discern my call to ordained ministry. It is a tremendous camp and I know it has helped many young people figure out where God is calling them in their lives. Specifically id like to collect money to send kids to camp if you would like to join me in celebrating I encourage you to add a special donation to send kids to camp in with your offering, just make a note that it is for sending kids to camp, that money will then be used to help as many of our St. John's kids go to camp as possible. Thank you for joining me in celebrating.
Peace, Jamie

PLEASE NOTE: Both Pastor Jamie and Abby will be at LCLC the week of July 25th. If there is a Pastoral emergency please contact Pastor's cell at 716-848-9683.

Altar Flower Announcement

The florist we got our altar flowers from is no longer doing flower arrangements for altar flowers for churches. We have switched to County Crossroad in Marilla.

Arrangements are $30 (for 2) and you can request specific colors/ flowers if desired. You may pay more if you would like bigger arrangements or more expensive flowers

To dedicate flowers please continue to use the envelopes provided at the church, contact the church office either by phone 716-683-8972 or by email at stjohnslancaster55@gmail.com.

All dedications must be submitted and paid for by the Monday before the dedication date in order to notify the florist.

Available Days for Altar Flower Dedications:

Sept 5	Oct 3	Nov 7	Dec 5
Sept 19	Oct 10	Nov 14	Dec 12
	Oct 17	Nov 21	Dec 19
	Oct 24	Nov 28	Dec 26
	Oct 31		

Lutheran Charities of Western New York

We are excited to welcome our golfers back to our revamped and ultra special return of our Annual Golf Classic! Join us at our NEW VENUE, Glen Oak Golf Club on Monday, August 9th. Filled with prizes, awards, and lots of fun, this is an event you will not want to miss! Single golfers tickets are $125.00 per person, or reserve a foursome for $500.00! Lunch and dinner are included! Or just join us for dinner for $30.00.

Register online at wnylutherancharities.org

or by calling 716-632-2623

MISSION STATEMENT

St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church provides an inviting environment for spreading God's Word through worship, teaching and fellowship to address the spiritual needs of our congregation and community.
Open - Inviting - Alive in Christ!

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