

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

Sixth Sunday After Epiphany

10:00 AM Worship Service • February 16, 2025

ELW Setting 4



Blessings and curses abound on the sixth Sunday after Epiphany. We would do well to listen closely to whom the “blessed are” and the “woe to” are directed and to find our place in the crowd among those who desire to touch Jesus. The risen Christ stands among us in the mystery of the holy supper with an invitation to live in him, and offers power to heal us all.

Welcome members and guests to our worship service today. If you are visiting, we encourage you to sign the guest register located in the narthex. Please include your home address, email address and phone number. In each pew, there is a card that you can fill out if you wish to have a consult with the pastor and/or leave us more information.

The nursery is available, however since there are no attendants at this time, feel free to use it as needed.

Trinity offers an induction loop for the benefit of hearing impaired worshippers. To use, please switch your hearing aid to "T." If you are unsure if your hearing aid is compatible, please contact your audiologist.

TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Monday 9am-12pm; Tuesday 9-10:30am, 11:30am-12:15pm;

Wednesday 9:30am-12pm; Thursday 9am-12pm

Times are flexible with monthly meetings, but feel free to call for an appointment or drop in.

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CARILLON CALL TO WORSHIP

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Toccatà in G Minor, P. 468

Johann Pachelbel

GATHERING

*The assembly stands. All may make the sign of the cross,
the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, our creator, our protector,
our wellspring of life.

Amen.

Trusting that God receives our words and the meditations of our hearts, let us
confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful God,

you speak blessing and compassion into the world.

**Forgive us for the ways we act
with judgment, cruelty, or indifference.**

We ignore the needs of our neighbors;

we resist your call to oppose injustice;

we give in to scarcity and fear;

we assume the worst about one another.

Cleanse us from our faults

and release us from their grasp.

Show us your lovingkindness.

Restore our hearts and repair your world,

that we may live in Christ's ways.

Amen.

God proclaims these words of assurance:

"Do not fear, for I have redeemed you.

I have called you by name. You are mine."

In † Christ, you are forgiven.

In the Spirit, you are made free.

Refreshed by the waters of mercy,

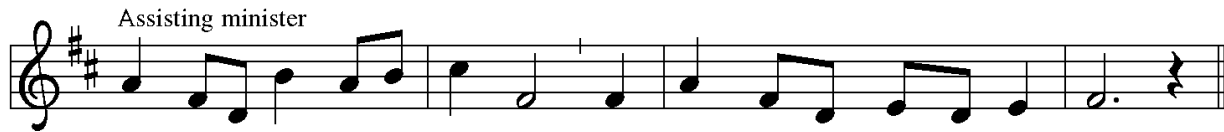
live anew as beloved children of God.

Amen.

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

HYMN OF PRAISE



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al-might-y God and Fa-ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us;

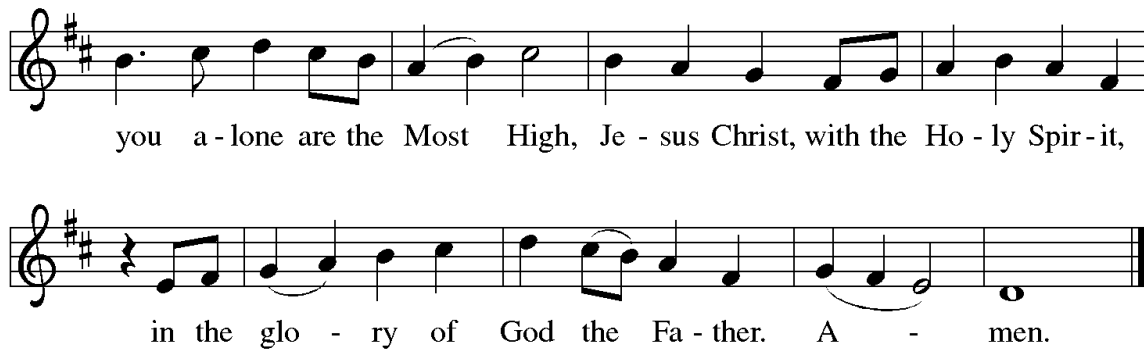


you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re-ceive our prayer.



For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

The assembly is seated

WORD

FIRST READING: **Jeremiah 17: 5-10**

These verses compose a poem that is part of a larger collection of wisdom sayings that contrast two ways of life. Life with God brings blessing; the power and vitality of God is active in our life. Life without God brings a curse, the power of death.

Thus says the LORD:

Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals
and make mere flesh their strength,
whose hearts turn away from the LORD.

They shall be like a shrub in the desert
and shall not see when relief comes.

They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness,
in an uninhabited salt land.

Blessed are those who trust in the LORD,
whose trust is the LORD.

They shall be like a tree planted by water,
sending out its roots by the stream.

It shall not fear when heat comes,
and its leaves shall stay green;

in the year of drought it is not anxious,
and it does not cease to bear fruit.

The heart is devious above all else;
it is perverse —

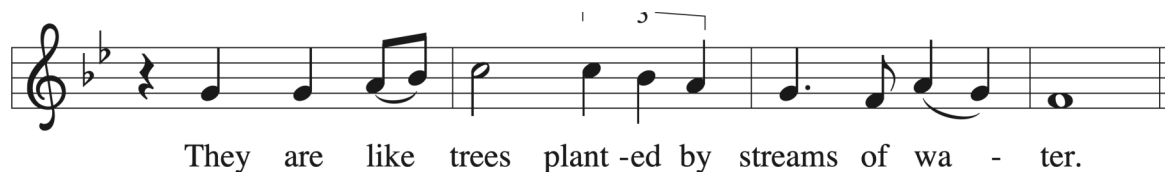
who can understand it?

I the LORD test the mind
and search the heart,

to give to all according to their ways,
according to the fruit of their doings.

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 1 (*read responsively; sung response before and when denoted by "R"*)



Psalm 1:3
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Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked,
nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful!

**Their delight is in the law of the LORD,
and they meditate on God's teaching day and night. R**

They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with
leaves that do not wither; everything they do shall prosper.

It is not so with the wicked;

they are like chaff which the wind blows away.

Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes,
nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.

**For the LORD knows the way of the righteous,
but the way of the wicked shall be destroyed. R**

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 15:12-20

For Paul, the resurrection of Christ is the basis for Christian hope. Because Christ has been raised, those who are in Christ know that they too will be raised to a new life beyond death.

Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised, and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation is in vain and your faith is in vain. We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified of God that God raised Christ—whom God did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile, and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have died in Christ have perished. If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

The assembly stands.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL LESSON: LUKE 6:17-26

After choosing his twelve apostles, Jesus teaches a crowd of followers about the nature and demands of discipleship. He begins his great sermon with surprising statements about who is truly blessed in the eyes of God.

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the sixth chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus] came down with [the twelve] and stood on a level place with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases, and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And everyone in the crowd was trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them.

Then he looked up at his disciples and said:

“Blessed are you who are poor,
for yours is the kingdom of God.

“Blessed are you who are hungry now,
for you will be filled.

“Blessed are you who weep now,
for you will laugh.

“Blessed are you when people hate you and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven, for that is how their ancestors treated the prophets.

“But woe to you who are rich,
for you have received your consolation.

“Woe to you who are full now,
for you will be hungry.

“Woe to you who are laughing now,
for you will mourn and weep.

“Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is how their ancestors treated
the false prophets.”

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

The assembly is seated.

CHILDREN’S CHAT
SERMON

Pastor Tina Melusky
Pastor Tina Melusky

The assembly stands.

HYMN OF THE DAY

Light Dawns on a Weary World
TEMPLE OF PEACE

ELW 726

APOSTLE’S CREED

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s 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 to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come 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.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

God of grace, hear our prayer.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

The assembly is seated.

RECEIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

How Beautiful

Paris/Greer

*How beautiful the hands that served
the wine and the bread and the children of earth.*

*How beautiful the feet that walked
the long dusty roads and the hill to the cross.*

How beautiful is the body of Christ.

*How beautiful the heart that bled,
that took all my sin and bore it instead.*

*How beautiful the tender eyes
that chose to forgive and never despise.*

How beautiful is the body of Christ.

*And as he laid down his life, we offer this sacrifice:
that we will live just as he died, willing to pay the price.*

*How beautiful the radiant bride
who waits for her Groom with his light in her eyes.*

*How beautiful when humble hearts give
the fruit of pure lives so that others may live!*

*How beautiful the feet that bring
the sound of good news and the love of the King!*

*How beautiful the hands that serve
the wine and the bread and the children of earth!*

How beautiful is the body of Christ.

OFFERTORY HYMN

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful

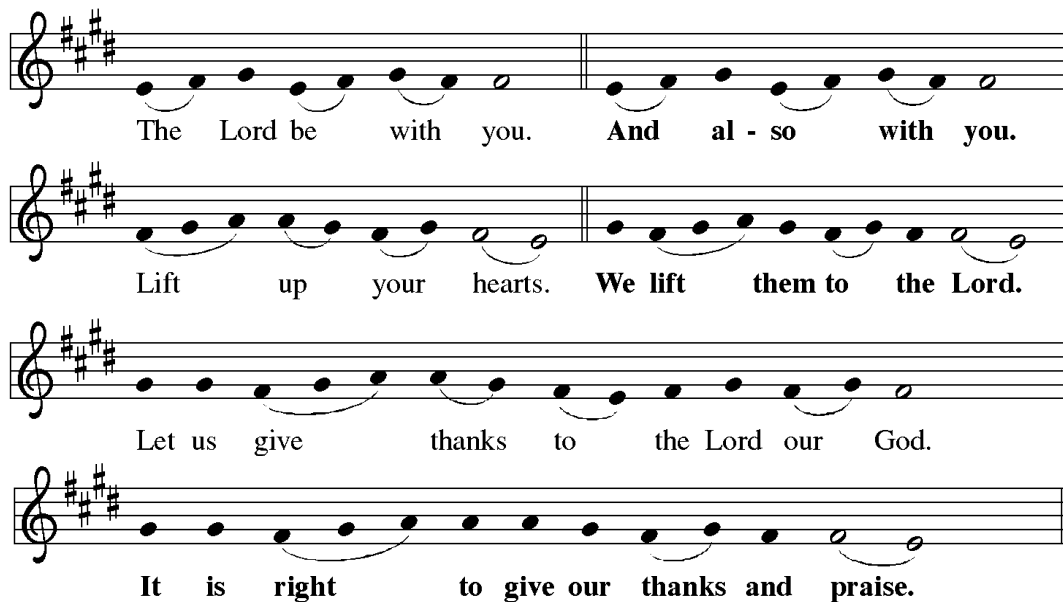
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OFFERTORY PRAYER

God of grace, your love reaches to the heavens,
and your abundance to the depths of the seas.
Bless what we offer to your service:
our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts.
Let us overflow with gratitude and generosity,
now and always.
Amen.

MEAL

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



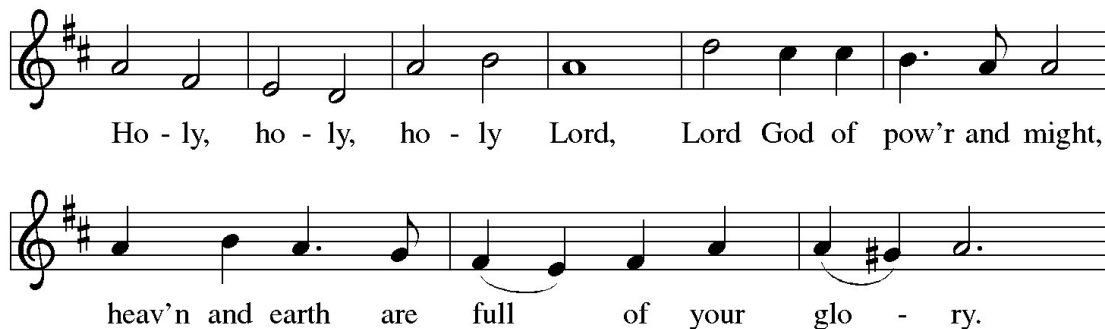
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise...

...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.

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THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy God, you alone are holy, you alone are God.

The universe declares your praise:
beyond the stars; beneath the sea;
within each cell; with every breath.

We praise you, O God.

Generations bless your faithfulness:
through the water; by night and day;
across the wilderness; out of exile; into the future.

We bless you, O God.

We give you thanks for your dear Son:
at the heart of human life; near to those who suffer;
beside the sinner; among the poor; with us now.

We thank you, O God.

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.

Remembering his love for us on the way, at the table, and to the end,
we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We pray for the gift of your Spirit:
in our gathering; within this meal;
among your people; throughout the world.

Blessing, praise, and thanks to you, holy God, through Christ Jesus,
by your Spirit, in your church, without end.

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

**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 assembly is seated.

AGNUS DEI

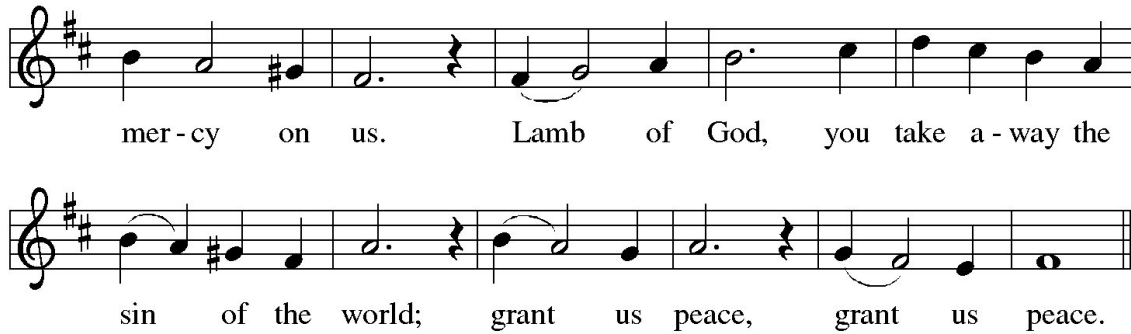


Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have

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mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the
sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

COMMUNION

*Communion is held around the table. The bread will be handed to you by the pastor. Please take a **clear** cup with wine or a **purple** cup with grape juice from the tray. Recycling baskets for your plastic cups are located outside the doors of the sanctuary.*

Trinity has an open table – all are welcome to come to the feast.

MUSIC DURING DISTRIBUTION

We Come to the Hungry Feast
HUNGRY FEAST

ELW 479

Jesus, the Very Thought of You
ST. AGNES

ELW 754

The assembly stands.

SENDING

TABLE BLESSING

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

BLESSING

The Spirit of the triune God ✠ bless you with joy, anoint you with compassion, and send you in love. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN

God of Grace and God of Glory
CWM RHONDDA

ELW 705

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Live in hope. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Postlude on Cwm Rhondda

Paul Manz

SERVING THE ASSEMBLY

CRUCIFER – Andrew Rummel

ACOLYTES – Luke and Samantha Harry

LECTOR – Lauren Hill

USHERS/GREETERS – Dave and Judy Hunt

CAMERA/LIVESTREAM – Garrett Mynoymany



ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEW PIANO UPDATE!

As some of you know, in October we applied for a grant to help fund a new piano for the sanctuary, as our current one is well beyond its years. GREAT NEWS!!! We received notification that we have been awarded \$25,000 towards a new piano, which is an incredible gift and a great jump start to this project. Part of the process of receiving this grant is to let them know of our intentions and plans to help fund the rest of the cost. Currently, we have already received roughly \$17,000 in pledges for this project, another great start!! We're looking at about \$16,000 more to cover the total cost. If you are willing to prayerfully consider donating to this project and helping us to provide such a memorable piece to our worship space, it would be greatly appreciated. If you choose to donate, please mark that offering as "Piano Fund," while also faithfully remembering this is a project on top of the needs of our general fund which is always in need of support and faithful stewardship.

EVERYTHING I LEARNED IN CONFIRMATION...I ALREADY FORGOT...

Have you ever asked, "Why do we do that?" while sitting in church? Have you ever wondered how we got to where we are? Has the Bible ever confused you? Join the club! This winter we are tackling all the things we probably learned in Confirmation and then promptly forgot! Our next meeting Thursday 2/20. Meetings will be Hybrid. We will discuss and dive into the ins and outs of faith. If you'd like to join us, there is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board.

REMINDER

Just a reminder that, if you have children with you in the service, there are binders in the narthex with drawing paper and crayons, coloring pages, games, and various puzzles for them to use during the service if needed!

PORT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Newport News homeless shelter night (PORT) that Trinity supports is on Monday, February 24th. The host church for that night is Denbigh United Presbyterian Church in Newport News. We have some volunteer work positions still available as well as some food donations needed. We need volunteers to help prepare and serve the dinner, support guest check-in, and support guest check-out on Tuesday morning (February 25th). Copies of the casserole recipe are in the narthex or you can request one by email (cliffordobara@cox.net). Food donations can be dropped off in the Church library (see plastic bin near coat closet). To sign up for food donations or volunteer to work, please use the Sign Up Genius link below or contact Cliff or Anne Obara:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4DADA72AA3FBC34-54738349-port>

FIRST COMMUNION CLASSES

As we look ahead to the Lenten season, we will be starting our First Communion curriculum on the first Sunday of Lent, March 9, during the Sunday School hour. Our curriculum is geared towards children ages 6 and up, and is designed for all children and families who would like to learn more about the gift of communion. Even if your child already receives communion, they are welcome to join to learn more about this precious part of worship. If you have any questions, please see Pastor Tina or Karoline Ardis.

OFFERING ENVELOPE BOXES

Our 2025 offering envelope boxes are available for pickup in the church library. If you have a family member or friend who is unable to pick up their boxes, please feel free to take them as well and save us the cost of mailing.

PLEASE pick up your offering boxes even if you are using Vanco or another type of online donation. There are special envelopes in the boxes that give us additional opportunities to support our church, our community, and our world. Thank you!

RED FOOD BOX

Thank you so much to all who are so faithfully donating items for the Red Food Box! This ministry of outreach to our siblings could not happen without your willingness and generosity. We who have so much can only imagine what these gifts mean to someone who has so little.

Thank you again!

THANK YOU!!!

Thank you so much for all the cards and well wishes during Harlan/Dad's stay in the hospital, home in hospice and after his passing. It's been a very difficult few months but we are very thankful for our church family! We are so grateful to Kelly Rummel, Judy Hunt, Jeanette Dail, Laura Jay, Teresa Flores, Karoline Ardis and Linda Madler for the delicious meals you provided to help keep us going when we needed it most. Our sincerest gratitude, Virginia Hamby, Katherine Harry and Laura Veronie.

PRAYER LIST

ILLNESS, SURGERY, RECOVERY, SHUT-INS: Nursing Homes/ Assisted Living: Jeanette Cantrell, Millie Christensen, and Barbara Olson; Jarvis Edwards, Warwick Forest Rehab Hospital, room 205; Shut-ins at Home: Peggy Cash, and Shirley Anderson.

PRAYER REQUESTS: **Susan & Scott Nelson**, requested by Laura Davis; **Family of Don Hipple**, requested by Todd Recuperero; **Wayne Skinner & Pam Carmean, Carroll Emerson, and Judy Wagner St. Pierre**, requested by the Dail Family; **Ron Vodenichar**, Sandy's brother, and **Eddie Bateman**, our nephew, requested by the Sniady Family; **Astrid Quist**, requested by Pastor Tina; **Florence & Richard**, cousins of Dottie Self, requested by Dottie Self; **Connie Hoover**, requested by Pastor Tina; **Family and Friends of Rudy Coffee**, requested by Carter Recuperero; **Virginia Hamby**, requested by Pastor Tina and Katherine Harry; **Mary Best**, a friend of Connie Hoover, requested by Connie Hoover; **Sherry Johnston**, former member and sister of Donna Owens, requested by Judy Hunt; **The family of Carole Knopp**, by Wendy Mynoymany; **Scully, Pastor Tina's dog**, requested by Tricia Wessler; **Amanda Griegos** and her family, requested by Diane and Dave Roselius; **Karen Admano** and her husband **Matt** requested by Patricia Fielding; the **Ahlen family**, requested by Kathy Stevens; **Beth Eisdorfer**, daughter of Terri Hoffeditz.

THOSE WHO SERVE, MILITARY AND CIVILIAN DUTY: James Fielding, in Tokyo, Japan, Bryan Hunt, State Dept., Sierra Leone; Tyler Obara, Virginia Air National guard, LAFB; Michael Titus, US Navy, Naval Shipyard, Washington, DC and wife, Elisabeth Bruce.

Historic Jamestown



GUEST SPEAKER

Connie Lapallo

THURSDAY | FEBRUARY 20TH

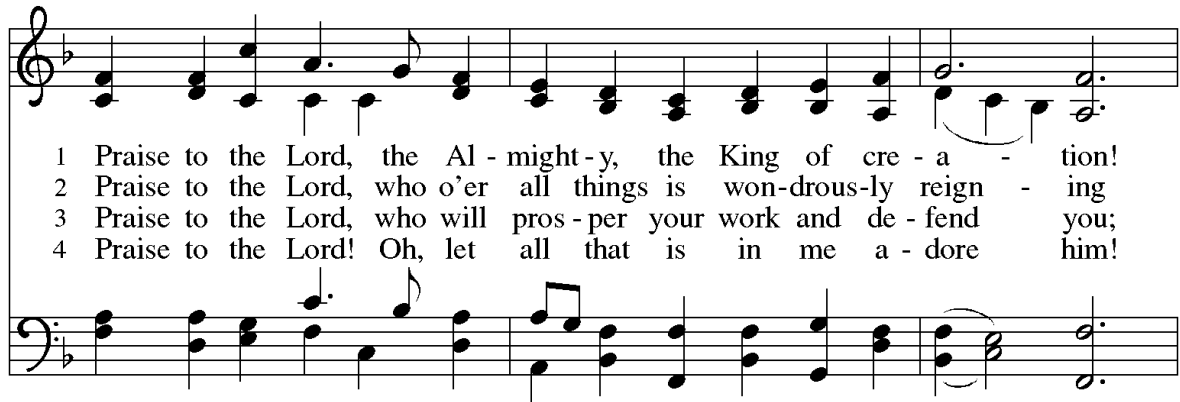
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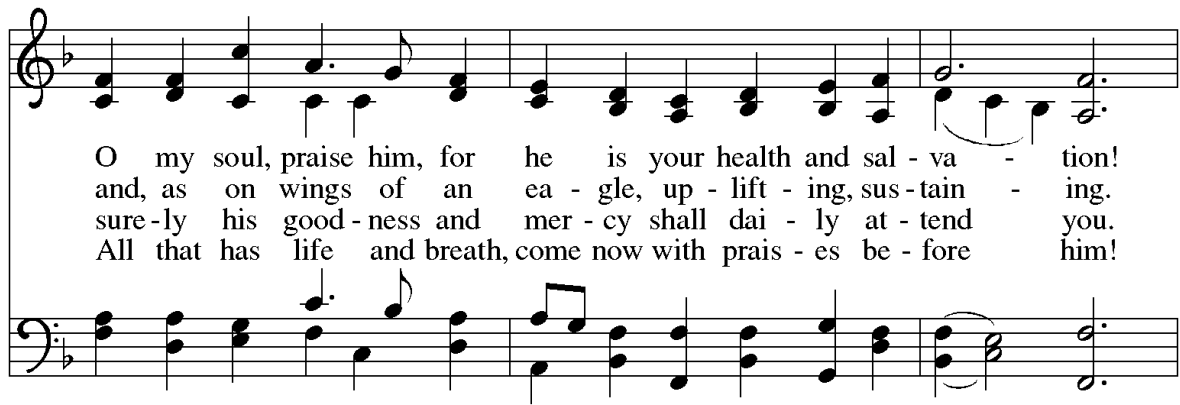
Parents are welcome to attend

Connie Lapallo is the author of two novels based on the true story of colonial Jamestown's first women and children. *The Sun is But a Morning Star*. She is recognized as a historian regarding these early 17th century settlers. She did extensive research and has written three books about her Pierce family descendants.

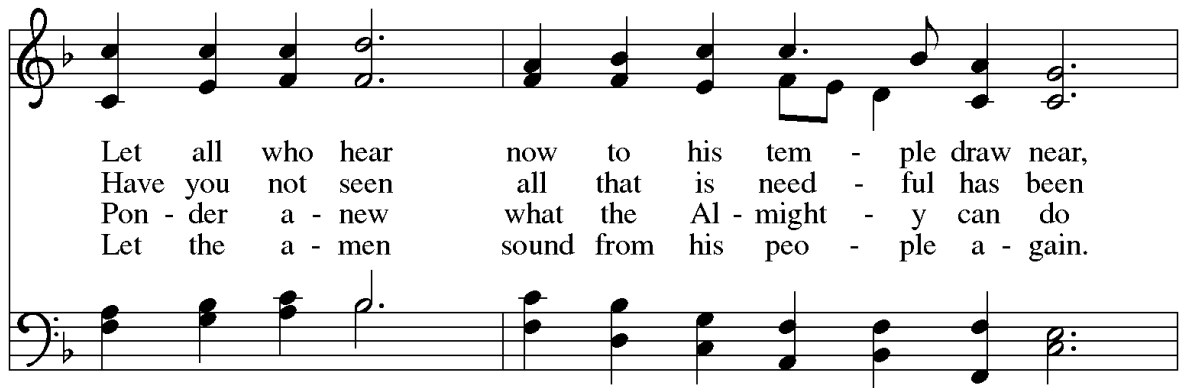
Her family survived the "Starving Time" at Jamestown. The youngest Pierce daughter married John Rolfe, preceding the death of Pocohantas. They eventually owned Mulberry Island which is today the location of Fort Eustis.



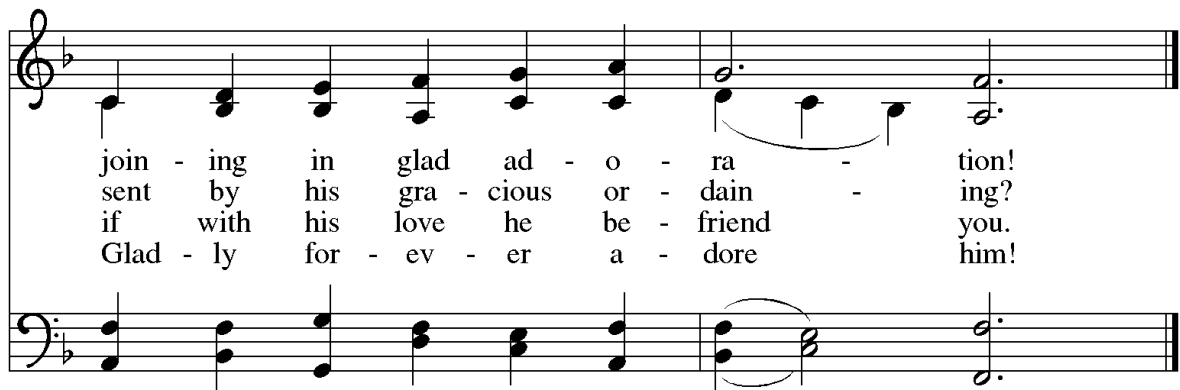
1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre - a - tion!
 2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is won - drous - ly reign - ing
 3 Praise to the Lord, who will pros - per your work and de - fend you;
 4 Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me a - dore him!



O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and sal - va - tion!
 and, as on wings of an ea - gle, up - lift - ing, sus - tain - ing.
 sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy shall dai - ly at - tend you.
 All that has life and breath, come now with prais - es be - fore him!



Let all who hear now to his tem - ple draw near,
 Have you not seen all that is need - ful has been
 Pon - der a - new what the Al - might - y can do
 Let the a - men sound from his peo - ple a - gain.



join - ing in glad ad - o - ra - tion!
 sent by his gra - cious or - dain - ing?
 if with his love he be - friend you.
 Glad - ly for - ev - er a - dore him!



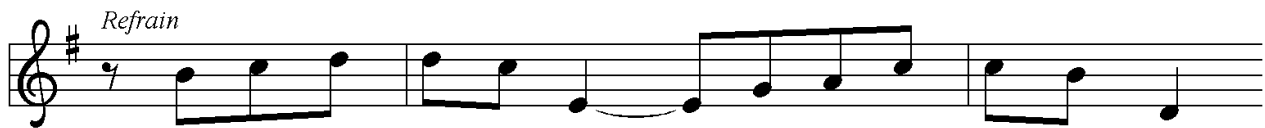
1 Light dawns on a wea - ry world when eyes be - gin to
 2 Love grows in a wea - ry world when hun - gry hearts find
 3 Hope blooms in a wea - ry world when crea - tures, once for -



see all peo - ple's dig - ni - ty. Light dawns on a
 bread and chil - dren's dreams are fed. Love grows in a
 lorn, find wil - der - ness re - born. Hope blooms in a



wea - ry world: the prom - ised day of jus - tice comes.
 wea - ry world: the prom - ised feast of plen - ty comes.
 wea - ry world: the prom - ised green of E - den comes.



Refrain

The trees shall clap their hands; the dry lands, gush with springs;



the hills and moun - tains shall break forth with sing - ing!



We shall go out in joy, and be led forth in peace,



as all the world in won - der ech - oes sha - lom.

Text: Mary Louise Bringle, b. 1953

Music: TEMPLE OF PEACE, William P. Rowan, b. 1951

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Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the
brim our cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the
seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.
Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the
prayers we of - fer. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence,
and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

Text: John W. Arthur, 1922-1980

Music: Marty Haugen, b. 1950

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1 We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry for a word of peace.
 2 We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry for a world re - leased
 3 We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry that the hun - ger cease,



To hun - gry hearts un - sat - is - fied the love of God is
 from hun - gry folk of ev - 'ry kind, the poor in bod - y,
 and know - ing, though we eat our fill, the hun - ger will stay



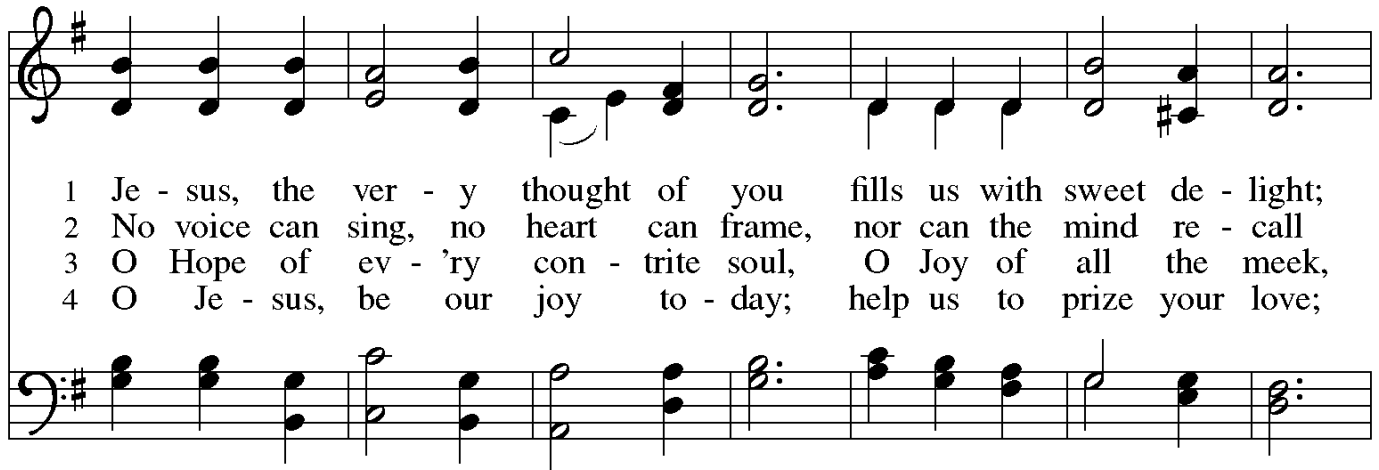
not de - nied. We come, we come to the hun - gry feast.
 poor in mind. We come, we come to the hun - gry feast.
 with us; still we come, we come to the hun - gry feast.

Text: Ray Makeever, b. 1943

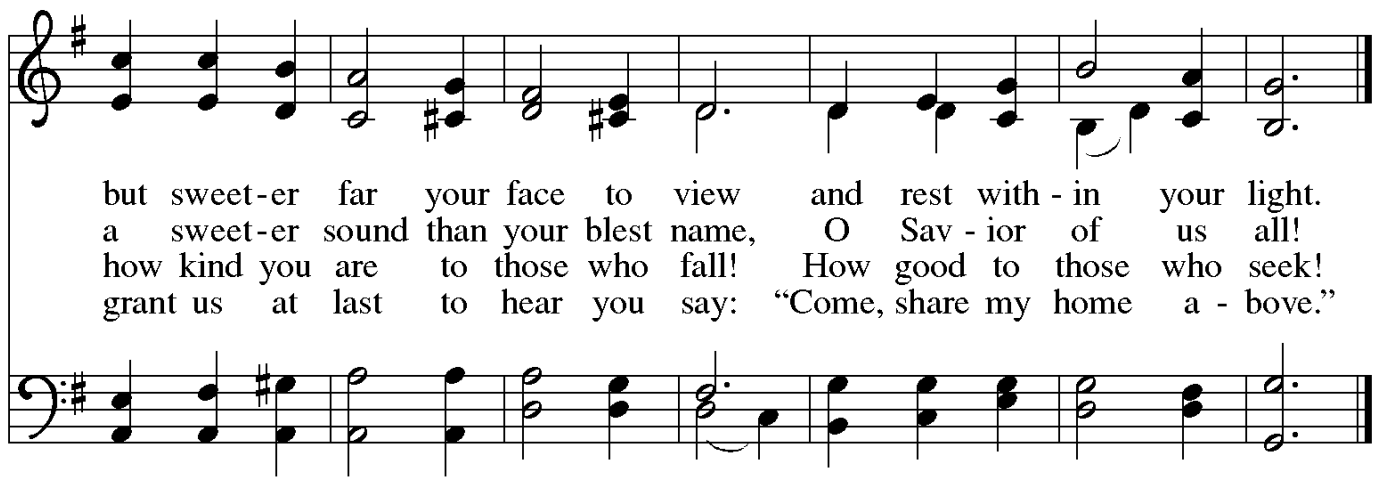
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1 Je - sus, the ver - y thought of you fills us with sweet de - light;
 2 No voice can sing, no heart can frame, nor can the mind re - call
 3 O Hope of ev - 'ry con - trite soul, O Joy of all the meek,
 4 O Je - sus, be our joy to - day; help us to prize your love;



but sweet-er far your face to view and rest with - in your light.
 a sweet-er sound than your blest name, O Sav - ior of us all!
 how kind you are to those who fall! How good to those who seek!
 grant us at last to hear you say: "Come, share my home a - bove."

Text: attr. Bernard of Clairvaux, 1091–1153; tr. Edward Caswall, 1814–1878
 Music: ST. AGNES, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, on your peo - ple
 2 Lo! The hosts of e - vil round us scorn the Christ, as -
 3 Cure your chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness; bend our pride to
 4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion to the e - vils

pour your pow'r; crown your an - cient chur - ch's sto - ry;
 sail his ways! From the fears that long have bound us
 your con - trol; shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness,
 we de - plore; let the gift of your sal - va - tion

bring its bud to glo - rious flow'r. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age
 free our hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age
 rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
 be our glo - ry ev - er - more. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,

for the fac - ing of this hour, for the fac - ing of this hour.
 for the liv - ing of these days, for the liv - ing of these days.
 lest we miss your king - dom's goal, lest we miss your king - dom's goal.
 serv - ing you whom we a - dore, serv - ing you whom we a - dore.