

# **TABOR LUTHERAN CHURCH**

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**Service time: 9:30am**

**Office Hours: Mon-Thurs 9:00am-2:00pm**

## **TABOR LUTHERAN CHURCH**

**January 2, 2022**

**2nd Sunday of Christmas**

**9:30 a.m.**

*Holy Communion Setting 3—ELW (Evangelical Lutheran book of Worship) year C*

### **INTRODUCTION**

*Within the gospel reading's profound words lies the simple message that God is revealed in a human person. Though we may try to understand how the Word existed with God from the beginning of time, the wonder we celebrate at Christmas is that the Word continues to dwell among us. Christ comes among us in the gathered assembly, the scriptures, the waters of new birth, and the bread and the wine. Through these ordinary gifts we receive the fullness of God's grace and truth.*

### **PRELUDE**

Announcements are on pages 17-18.

### **WELCOME**

A very warm welcome to all who worship here this morning, we thank God for sending you to Tabor.

*Please stand if you are able.*

### **GATHERING**

**GATHERING SONG**

*O Come, All Ye Faithful*

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# O Come, All Ye Faithful

1 O come, all ye faith - ful, joy - ful and tri - um - phant! O  
 2 The high - est, most ho - ly, light of light e - ter - nal,  
 3 Sing, choirs of an - gels, sing in ex - ul - ta - tion,  
 4 Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this hap - py morn - ing;

come ye, O come ye to Beth - le - hem;  
 born of a vir - gin, a mor - tal he comes;  
 sing, all ye cit - i - zens of heav - en a - bove!  
 Je - sus, to thee be . . . glo - ry giv'n!

come and be - hold him, born the king of an - gels:  
 Son of the Fa - ther now in flesh ap - pear - ing!  
 Glo - ry to the God . . . in . . . the . . . high - est:  
 Word of the Fa - ther, now in flesh ap - pear - ing:

*Refrain*  
 Ve - ni - te a - do - re - mus, ve - ni - te a - do - re - mus,  
 O come, let us a - dore him, O come, let us a - dore him,

ve - ni - te a - do - re - mus Do - mi - num.  
 O come, let us a - dore him, Christ the Lord!

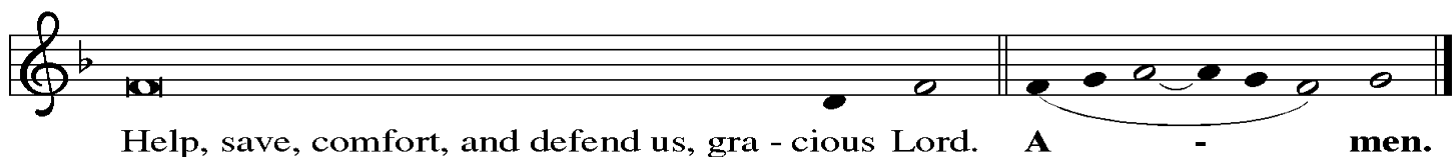
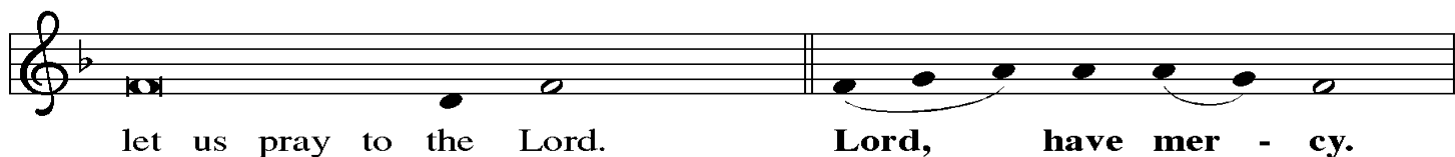
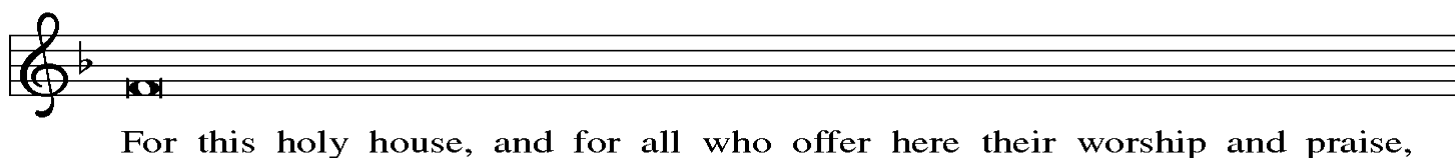
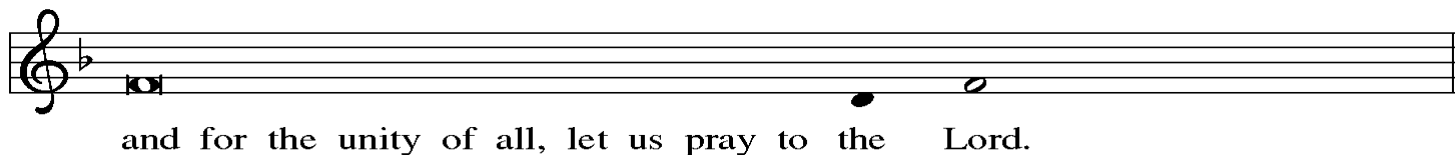
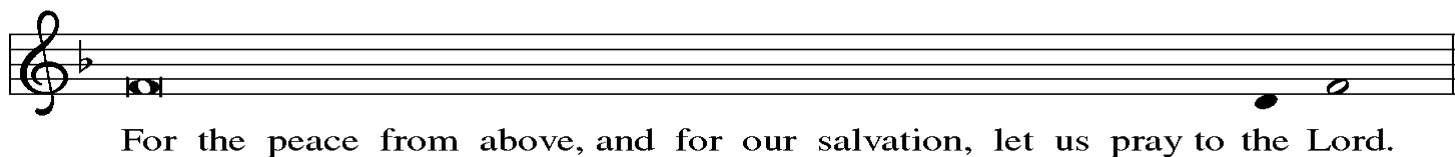
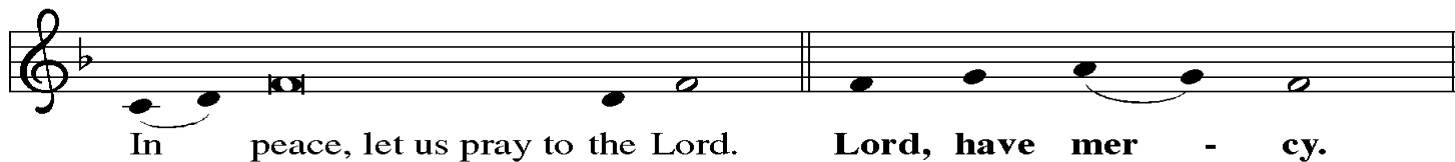
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## GREETING

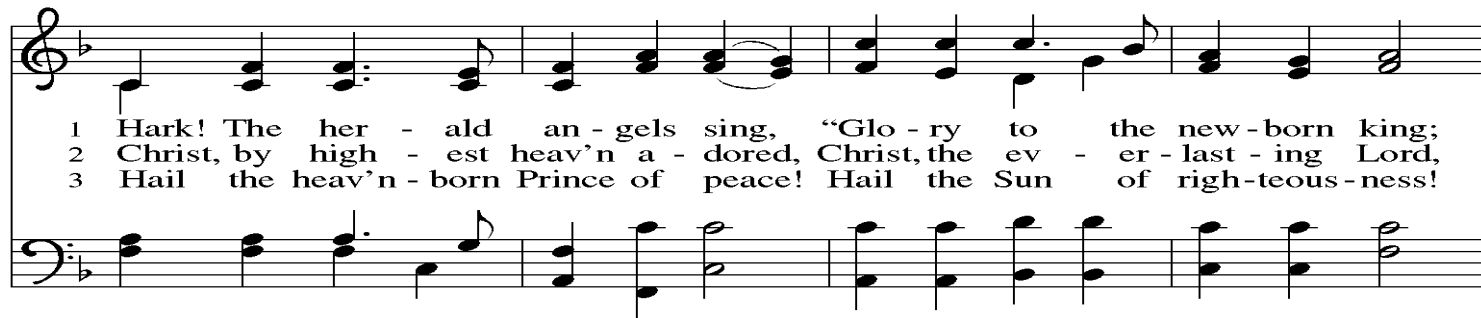
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

## KYRIE *sung by all*



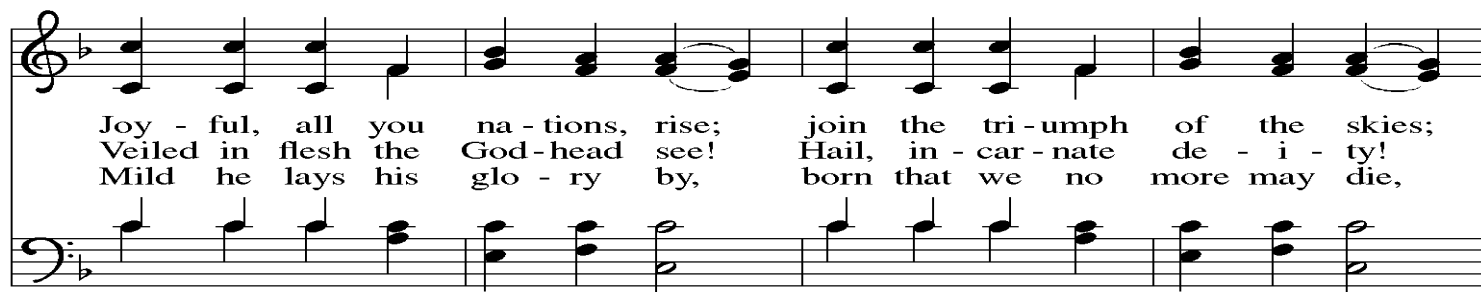
## Hark! The Herald Angels Sing



1 Hark! The her - ald an - gels sing, "Glo - ry to the new-born king;  
 2 Christ, by high - est heav'n a - dored, Christ, the ev - er - last - ing Lord,  
 3 Hail the heav'n - born Prince of peace! Hail the Sun of righ-teous-ness!



peace on earth, and mer - cy mild, God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled."  
 late in time be - hold him come, off-spring of a vir - gin's womb.  
 Light and life to all he brings, ris'n with heal - ing in his wings.



Joy - ful, all you na - tions, rise; join the tri - umph of the skies;  
 Veiled in flesh the God-head see! Hail, in - car - nate de - i - ty!  
 Mild he lays his glo - ry by, born that we no more may die,



with an - gel - ic hosts pro - claim, "Christ is born in Beth - le - hem!"  
 Pleased as man with us to dwell, Je - sus, our Em - man - u - el!  
 born to raise each child of earth, born to give us sec - ond birth.



*Refrain*  
 Hark! The her - ald an - gels sing, "Glo - ry to the new-born king!"

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Almighty God, you have filled all the earth with the light of your incarnate Word. By your grace empower us to reflect your light in all that we do, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

## **WORD**

### **FIRST READING: Jeremiah 31:7-14**

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God!**

### **Psalm: Psalm 147:12-20**

*Spoken responsively*

- <sup>12</sup>Worship the LORD, | O Jerusalem;  
praise your | God, O Zion,  
<sup>13</sup>**who has strengthened the bars | of your gates  
and has blessed your chil- | dren within you.**  
<sup>14</sup>God has established peace | on your borders  
and satisfies you with the | finest wheat.  
<sup>15</sup>**God sends out a command | to the earth,  
a word that runs | very swiftly.**  
<sup>16</sup>God gives | snow like wool,  
scattering | frost like ashes.  
<sup>17</sup>**God scatters | hail like bread crumbs.  
Who can stand a- | gainst God's cold?**  
<sup>18</sup>The LORD sends forth the | word and melts them;  
the wind blows, and the | waters flow.  
<sup>19</sup>**God declares the | word to Jacob,  
statutes and judg- | ments to Israel.**  
<sup>20</sup>The LORD has not done so to any | other nation;  
they do not know God's judgments. | Hallelujah!

## **SECOND READING: Ephesians 1:3-14**

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God!**

*Please stand if you are able.*

## **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. Al - le - lu - ia.

The Holy gospel according to John, the 1st Chapter.

**Glory to you O Lord.**

## **GOSPEL: John 1:[1-9],10-18**

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you O Christ.**

*Please be seated.*

## **CHILDREN'S SERMON**

*The children are invited to come forward.*

## **SERMON**

Pastor Ruby Narucki

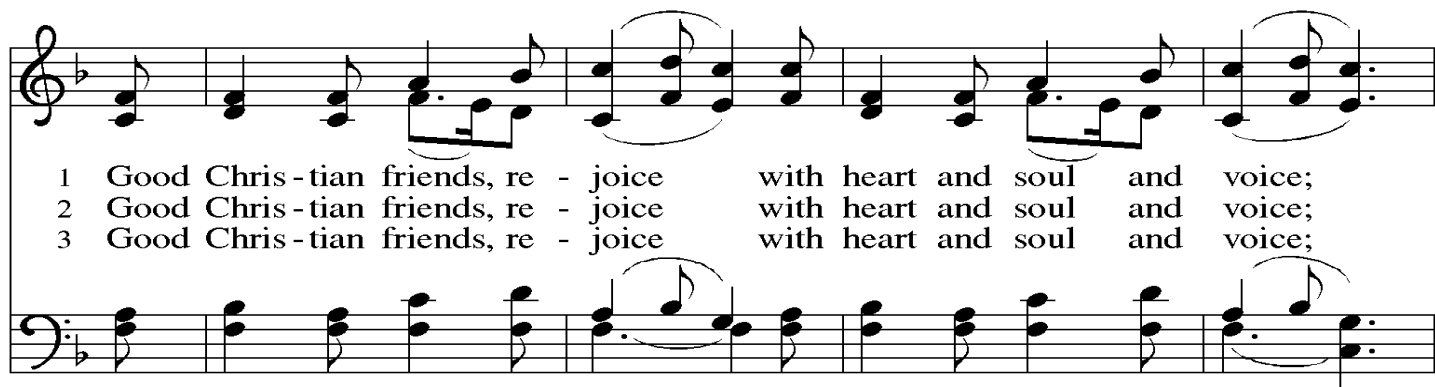
*A brief silence for reflection.*

*Please stand if you are able.*

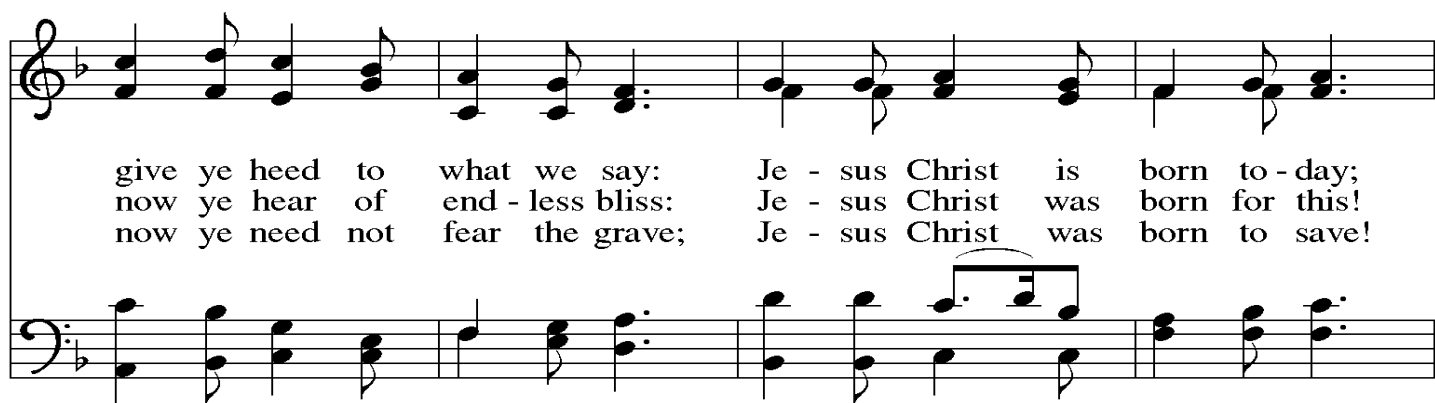
## HYMN OF THE DAY

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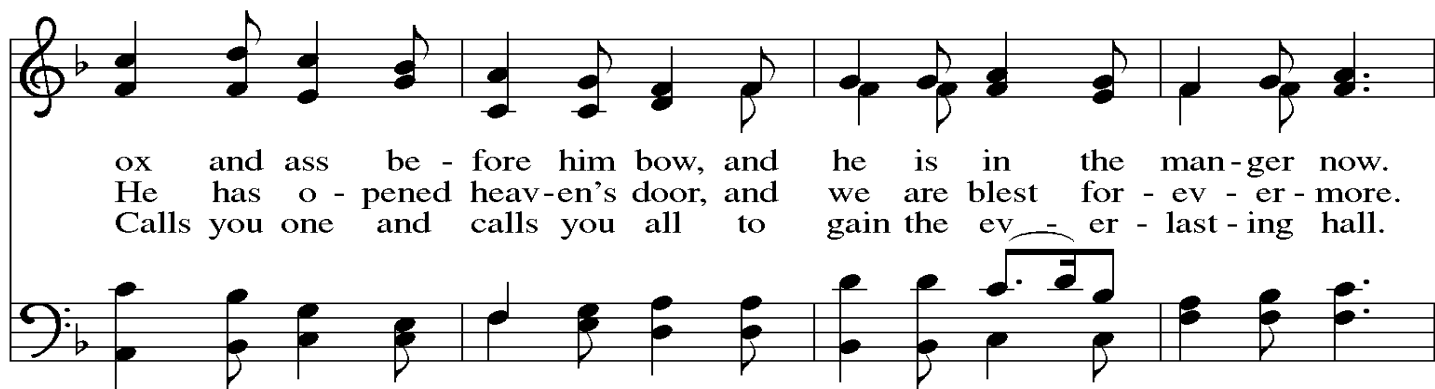
### Good Christian Friends, Rejoice



1 Good Chris-tian friends, re - joice with heart and soul and voice;  
2 Good Chris-tian friends, re - joice with heart and soul and voice;  
3 Good Chris-tian friends, re - joice with heart and soul and voice;



give ye heed to what we say: Je - sus Christ is born to - day;  
now ye hear of end - less bliss: Je - sus Christ was born for this!  
now ye need not fear the grave; Je - sus Christ was born to save!



ox and ass be - fore him bow, and he is in the man - ger now.  
He has o - pened heav - en's door, and we are blest for - ev - er - more.  
Calls you one and calls you all to gain the ev - er - last - ing hall.



Christ is born to - day! Christ is born to - day!  
Christ was born for this! Christ was born for this!  
Christ was born to save! Christ was born to save!

Text: Medieval Latin carol; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–1866

Music: IN DULCI JUBILO, German carol, 14th cent.; arr. Robert L. Pearsall, 1795–1856



## **NICENE CREED**

**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.**

*Please be seated.*

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Joining our voices with the heavenly host and Christians throughout time and space, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

*A brief silence*

*Each petition ends:*

Merciful God,

**Receive our prayer.**

*Prayers conclude with:*

Rejoicing in your Word made flesh among us, we commend these prayers to you, confident of your grace and love made known to us in Jesus Christ, our Savior.

**Amen.**

## **MEAL**

### **PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say:*

***Peace be with you.***

*Please be seated.*

## **OFFERING OF GIFTS, TITHES AND MUSIC**

*Special Piano Music*

*Please stand if you are able.*

## **OFFERTORY**

***Create in Me a Clean Heart***

## Create in Me a Clean Heart

### *Offering Song*



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 to me the joy of  
your sal - va - tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

### **OFFERING PRAYER**

Gracious God,  
your Word-made-flesh brings harmony to the earth.  
As we offer ourselves and these your gifts,  
prepare us to receive the grace and truth  
you offer at this table  
and renew in us the song of your salvation,  
in Jesus Christ our Savior.  
**Amen.**

### **DIALOGUE**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

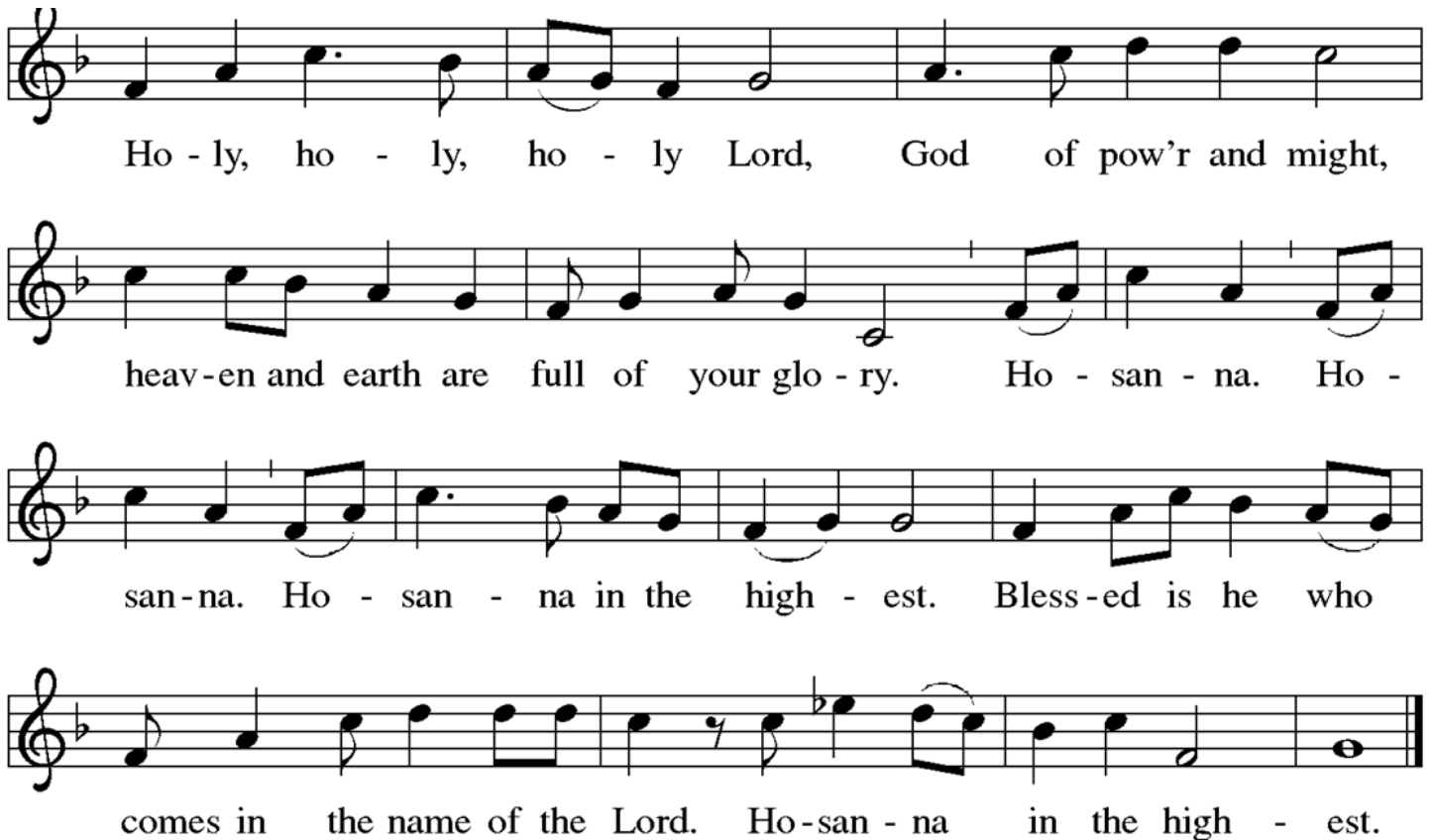
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## 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. In the wonder and mystery of the Word made flesh you have opened the eyes of faith to a new and radiant vision of your glory, that, beholding the God made visible, we may be drawn to love the God whom we cannot see. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,  
heav-en 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 who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

## **THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE**

Holy One, the beginning and the end, the giver of life...

...Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again...**

With this bread and cup...

...We look with hope for his coming:

**Come, Lord Jesus.**

...Bring the gift of peace on earth.

**Come, Holy Spirit.**

...one God, now and forever. **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.**

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

In Christ's manger, at Christ's table,  
come, see what God makes known for you.

**Thanks be to God!**

## COMMUNION

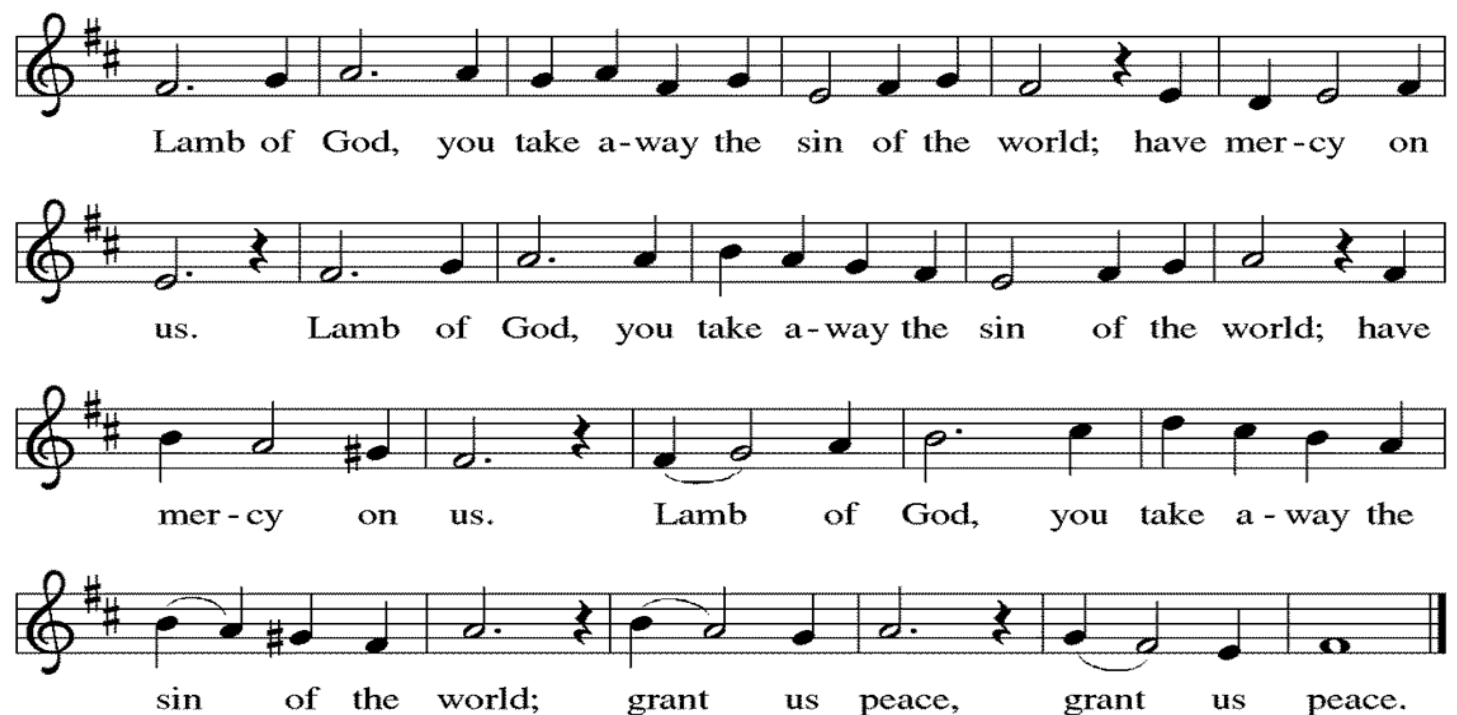
*When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say*  
The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.  
*and each person may respond*  
**Amen.**

**The Lord's table** is open to all worshipers from all denominations who wish to share in God's blessing of the sacrament of Holy Communion. The real presence of Christ is in the bread and wine. Please follow the directions of the ushers. The wine (red liquid) or in the grape juice (white liquid).

*Please let the usher know if you need assistance.*

*Please be seated.*

## COMMUNION SONG



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

# COMMUNION HYMN

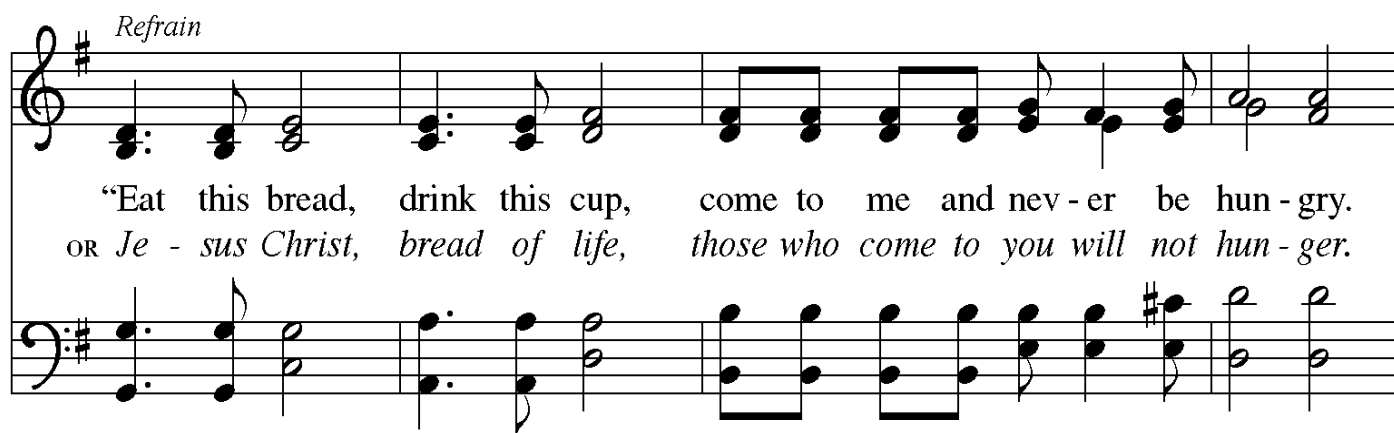
## *Eat This Bread*

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*Please repeat until Communion is complete*

### *Eat This Bread* *Jesus Christ, Bread of Life*

*Refrain*



“Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to me and nev - er be hun - gry.  
OR Je - sus Christ, bread of life, those who come to you will not hun - ger.



Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in me and you will not thirst.”  
Je - sus Christ, ris - en Lord, those who trust in you will not thirst.

Text: Taizé Community

Music: BERTHIER, Jacques Berthier, 1923–1994

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*Please stand if you are able.*

# COMMUNION BLESSING

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

## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

We thank you, wondrous God, for Jesus,  
God with us, in these gifts of bread and wine.  
As we have shared this feast of love,  
strengthen us to share your love with all the world.  
In Jesus' name we pray.  
**Amen.**

## **SENDING**

### **BLESSING**

The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.  
**Amen.**

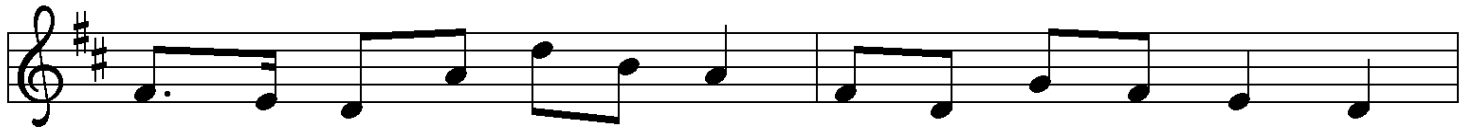
**SENDING HYMN**

*Cold December Flies Away*

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# Cold December Flies Away



1 Cold De - cem - ber flies a - way at the rose - red splen - dor.  
2 In the hope - less time of sin shad - ows deep had fall - en.  
3 Now the bud has come to bloom, and the world a - wak - ens.



A - pril's crown-ing glo - ry breaks while the whole world won - ders  
All the world lay un - der death. Eyes were closed in sleep - ing.  
In the lil - y's pur - est flow'r dwells a won - drous fra - grance.



at the ho - ly un - seen pow'r of the tree which bears the  
But, when all seemed lost in night, came the sun whose gold - en  
And it spreads to all the earth from the mo - ment of its



flow'r. On the bless - ed tree blooms the red - dest flow'r. On the tree blooms the  
light brings un - end - ing joy, brings the end - less joy of our hope, high - est  
birth; and its beau - ty lives. In the flow'r it lives, in the flow'r, and it



rose here in love's own gar - den, full and strong in glo - ry.  
hope, of our hope's bright dawn - ing, Son be - lov'd of heav - en.  
spreads in its heav'n - ly bright - ness sweet per - fume de - light - ful.

Text: Catalanian carol; tr. Howard Hawhee, b. 1953  
Music: EL DESEMBRE CONGELAT, Catalanian carol  
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## DISMISSAL

Led on by the saints before us,  
go in peace to serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God!**

## **PRAYERS**

### **Members, Friends and Relatives**

Cynthia Barrett  
Michelle Buttram  
Mary DeVor Youngblood  
Virgie Giannetto  
Glasgow Family  
The King Family  
Wes Lindberg  
Martha Pennington  
Aaron Truxell  
Lynn Truxell  
Marvin Truxell  
Brooklyn Youngblood

### **Added by Members**

Friend of Lynn Truxell  
Daughter of Julie Buttram  
Mother of Janis Youngblood  
Lynn Truxell  
Niece of Sue Kastelic  
Family of Shirley DeRungs  
People of Tabor  
People of Tabor  
Son of Roger & Lynn Truxell  
Truxell & Vargues Families  
Truxell & Vargues Families  
Janis Youngblood

Let us pray for those serving in the military and all our first responders.

***For Pastoral care emergencies, please contact Pastor Ruby at 303.653.2533.***

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Confirmation Class** will meet today in the Parlor after worship. Snacks will be served. Class will meet a total of three times in January to make up for the lost week in December. Classes will be held January 16 and January 30. A new curriculum will be introduced in January to be used through the end of the year.

**Joy Circle** will meet on January 17, 2022 at 9:30am in the Parlor.

## **Disciples Serving in Today's Worship Service**

Assisting Minister	Donna Tittel
Lector	Cassie Walgren
Pianist	Dr. J. Michael Beck
Presider	Pastor Ruby Narucki
Altar Guild	Dorothy Hanscom & Pam Salas
Ushers/Greeters	Kathy Lambert & Jackie Cooley
Counters	Dorothy Hanscom & Cassie Walgren
Ministers:	The People of Tabor

## **Birthdays and Anniversaries**

January 2	Ali Truxell	
January 3	Shirley Bass	
January 3	Pam Salas	
January 4	Sarah Johnson	
January 5	Janis Youngblood Pine	
January 8	Roger & Lynn Truxell	45 years