

# **TABOR LUTHERAN CHURCH**

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**July 16, 2023**

**7th Sunday after Pentecost**

**9:30 a.m.**

**Holy Communion Setting 10—ELW (Evangelical Lutheran book of Worship) year A**

## **INTRODUCTION**

*God's word is like the rain that waters the earth and brings forth vegetation. It is also like the sower who scatters seed indiscriminately. Our lives are like seeds sown in the earth. Even from what appears to be little, dormant, or dead, God promises a harvest. At the Lord's table we are fed with the bread of life, that we may bear fruit in the world.*

## **PRELUDE**

Announcements are on page 18.

*Please stand if you are able.*

## **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

## **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

Blessed be the holy Trinity,+ one God,  
who greets us in this and every season,  
whose word never fails,  
whose promise is sure.

**Amen.**

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

Merciful God,  
**we confess that we have sinned.**  
**We have hurt our community.**  
**We have squandered your blessings.**  
**We have hoarded your bounty.**  
**In the name of Jesus,**  
**forgive us and grant us your mercy.**  
*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Righteous God,  
**we confess that we have sinned.**  
**We have failed to be honest.**  
**We have lacked the courage to speak.**  
**We have spoken falsely.**  
**In the name of Jesus,**  
**forgive us and grant us your mercy.**  
*Silence is kept for reflection.*

God is a cup of cold water when we thirst.  
God offers boundless grace when we fail.  
Claim the gift of God's mercy:  
you are freed and forgiven  
in the name of + Jesus Christ.  
**Amen.**

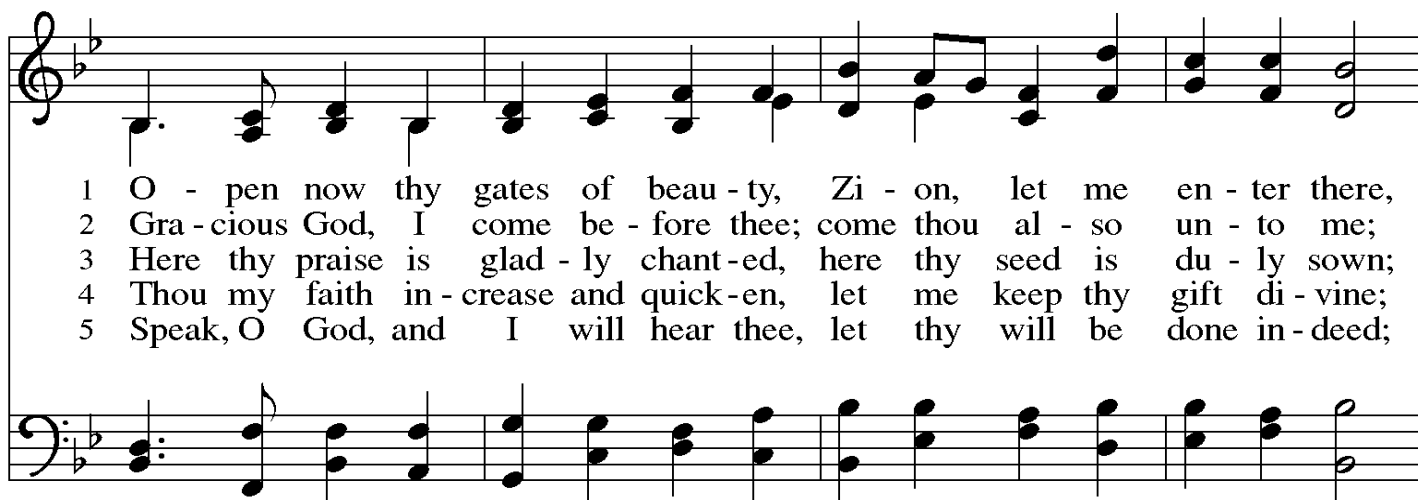
## **GATHERING**

**GATHERING HYMN**

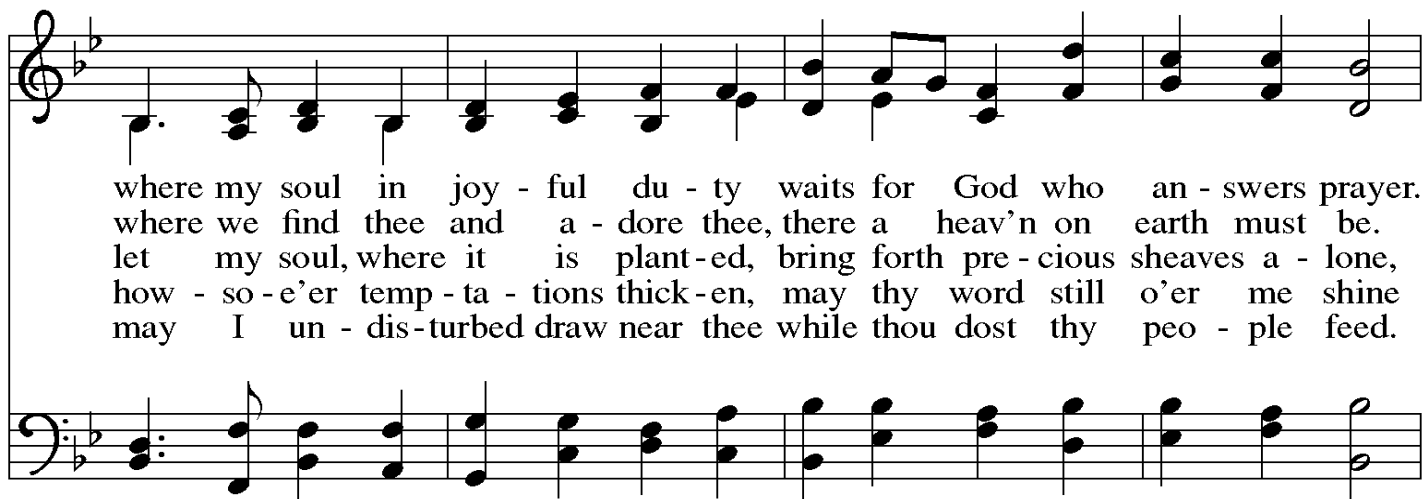
*Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty*

ELW 533

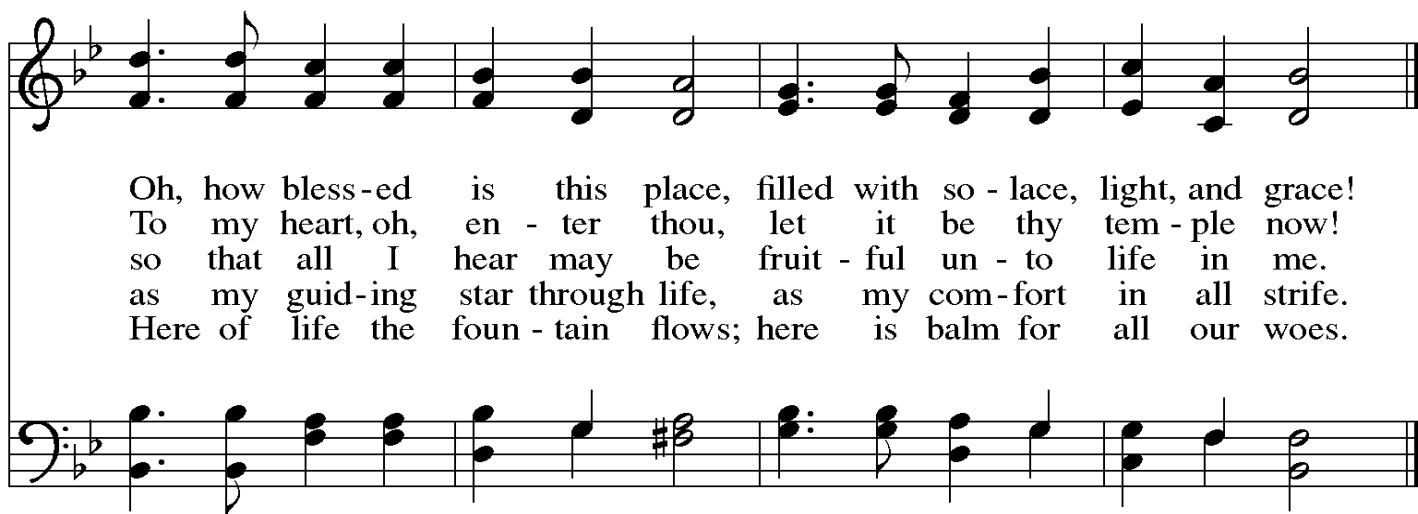
# Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty



1 O - pen now thy gates of beau - ty, Zi - on, let me en - ter there,  
 2 Gra - cious God, I come be - fore thee; come thou al - so un - to me;  
 3 Here thy praise is glad - ly chant - ed, here thy seed is du - ly sown;  
 4 Thou my faith in - crease and quick - en, let me keep thy gift di - vine;  
 5 Speak, O God, and I will hear thee, let thy will be done in - deed;



where my soul in joy - ful du - ty waits for God who an - swers prayer.  
 where we find thee and a - dore thee, there a heav'n on earth must be.  
 let my soul, where it is plant - ed, bring forth pre - cious sheaves a - lone,  
 how - so - e'er temp - ta - tions thick - en, may thy word still o'er me shine  
 may I un - dis - turbed draw near thee while thou dost thy peo - ple feed.



Oh, how bless - ed is this place, filled with so - lace, light, and grace!  
 To my heart, oh, en - ter thou, let it be thy tem - ple now!  
 so that all I hear may be fruit - ful un - to life in me.  
 as my guid - ing star through life, as my com - fort in all strife.  
 Here of life the foun - tain flows; here is balm for all our woes.

Text: Benjamin Schmolck, 1672–1737; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt.  
 Music: UNSER HERRSCHER, Joachim Neander, 1650–1680

## 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



1 Have mer-cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol-emn prayer.

2 Have mer-cy on us, Christ, and wash a-way our sin.

3 Have mer-cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de-part.



We come to hear your liv-ing word; it saves us from de-spair.

Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be-gin.

Re-new us with your sav-ing pow'r; cre-ate in us new hearts!

## CANTICLE OF PRAISE

## Glory to God

## ELW Setting 10



- 1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.  
2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.  
3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:  
Son of God and gra - cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;  
Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.  
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.  
Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.  
Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand.  
For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, we thank you for planting in us the seed of your word. By your Holy Spirit help us to receive it with joy, live according to it, and grow in faith and hope and love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

*Please be seated.*

## WORD

### **FIRST READING: Isaiah 55:10-13**

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God!**

### **PSALM: Psalm 65:[1-8] 9-13**

*Read responsively*

[<sup>1</sup>You are to be praised, O <sup>1</sup>God, in Zion;  
to you shall vows <sup>1</sup>be fulfilled.

<sup>2</sup>**To you, the one who <sup>1</sup>answers prayer,  
to you all <sup>1</sup>flesh shall come.**

<sup>3</sup>Our sins are strong- <sup>1</sup>er than we are,  
but you blot out <sup>1</sup>our transgressions.

<sup>4</sup>**Happy are they whom you choose and draw to your <sup>1</sup>courts to dwell there!  
They will be satisfied by the beauty of your house,  
by the holiness <sup>1</sup>of your temple.**

<sup>5</sup>Awesome things will you show us in your righteousness, O God of <sup>1</sup>our salvation,  
O hope of all the ends of the earth and of the oceans <sup>1</sup>far away.

<sup>6</sup>**You make firm the mountains <sup>1</sup>by your power;  
you are girded a- <sup>1</sup>bout with might.**

<sup>7</sup>You still the roaring <sup>1</sup>of the seas,  
the roaring of their waves, and the clamor <sup>1</sup>of the peoples.

<sup>8</sup>**Those who dwell at the ends of the earth will tremble at your <sup>1</sup>marvelous  
signs; you make the dawn and the dusk to <sup>1</sup>sing for joy.]**

<sup>9</sup>You visit the earth and water it abundantly; you make it very plenteous;  
the river of God is <sup>1</sup>full of water.

You prepare the grain, for so you provide <sup>1</sup>for the earth.

<sup>10</sup>**You drench the furrows and smooth <sup>1</sup>out the ridges;  
with heavy rain you soften the ground and <sup>1</sup>bless its increase.**

<sup>11</sup>You crown the year <sup>1</sup>with your goodness,  
and your paths over- <sup>1</sup>flow with plenty.

<sup>12</sup>**May the fields of the wilderness be <sup>1</sup>rich for grazing,  
and the hills be <sup>1</sup>clothed with joy.**

<sup>13</sup>May the meadows cover themselves with flocks,  
and the valleys cloak them- <sup>1</sup>selves with grain;  
let them shout for <sup>1</sup>joy and sing.

## **SECOND READING: Romans 8:1-11**

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God!**

*Please stand if you are able.*

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav-ing word.



Let it burn like fire with-in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

The Holy gospel according to Matthew, the 13th Chapter.

**Glory to you O Lord.**

## **GOSPEL: Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23**

The gospel of the Lord

**Praise to you O Christ.**

*Please be seated.*

## **SERMON**

Pastor Mark Patzke

*A brief silence for reflection.*



## INSTALLATION OF TRANSITION TEAM

*Congregation President addresses the congregation:*

The following 4 persons, having been chosen by Tabor's Executive Committee of the Congregation Council to serve this congregation as a Transition Team, are asked to come forward and join us for installation and blessing.

Derek Truxell	Steve Miedziak
Kathy Lambert	Stacie Bowens

### **Pastor Mark:**

Saint Paul writes: There are different kinds of spiritual gifts, but the same Spirit gives them. There are different ways of serving, but the same Lord is served. There are different abilities to perform service, but the same God gives ability for some particular service to everyone. The Spirit's presence is shown in some way in each person for the good of all.

You have been appointed to a position of leadership and trust in this congregation. You are to seek the will of God and the mind and spirit of the congregation with regards to this congregation's health and future in mission and purpose.

You will help to identify the ways that God has blessed this congregation and discover its proper response to those gifts. You will plan and guide a process that will bring about the needed change and prepare this congregation for a new future. This you will do with the help of the interim pastor and under the supervision of the congregation council. You will do this work in close contact with, and on behalf of, the congregation as a whole. If properly done, the results will be a reflection of the true gifts and passions of the entire congregation.

### **Congregation President:**

On behalf of your sisters and brothers in Christ, I now ask you: Will you accept and faithfully carry out the duties of the Transition Team to the best of your ability?

### **Transition Team:**

We will and we ask God to help and guide us.

**Pastor Mark:**

People of God, I ask you, will you support these, your brothers and sisters in Christ, in their task? Will you cooperate with their efforts to discern the history, gifts, talents, passions, and desires of this congregation according to the will of God? Will you support their efforts with your prayers and your attendance at events designed for this purpose?

**People of Tabor Lutheran Church:**

We will and we ask God to help and guide us.

**Pastor Mark:**

I now declare you installed as the Transition Team of this congregation. God bless you and your work together with us in this endeavor.

*Please stand if you are able.*

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

*For the Fruit of All Creation*

ELW 679

# For the Fruit of All Creation



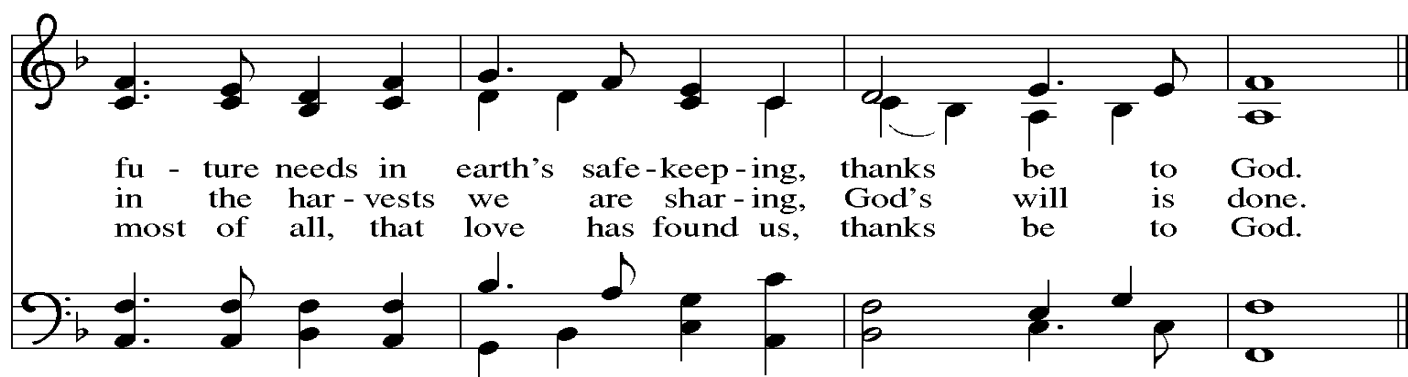
1 For the fruit of all cre - a - tion, thanks be to God.  
 2 In the just re - ward of la - bor, God's will is done.  
 3 For the har - vests of the Spir - it, thanks be to God.



For these gifts to ev - 'ry na - tion, thanks be to God.  
 In the help we give our neigh - bor, God's will is done.  
 For the good we all in - her - it, thanks be to God.



For the plow - ing, sow - ing, reap - ing, si - lent growth while we are sleep - ing,  
 In our world - wide task of car - ing, for the hun - gry and de - spair - ing,  
 For the won - ders that as - tound us, for the truths that still con - found us,



fu - ture needs in earth's safe - keep - ing, thanks be to God.  
 in the har - vests we are shar - ing, God's will is done.  
 most of all, that love has found us, thanks be to God.

Text: Fred Pratt Green, 1903–2000

Music: AR HYD Y NOS, Welsh traditional; arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872–1958

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*Please be seated.*

## **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 into hell.  
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**

Confident that God receives our joys and concerns, let us offer our prayers for the church, those in need, and all of creation.

*A brief silence*

*Each petition ends:*

Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

*Prayers conclude with:*

Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, in the name of the one who reconciled all creation to himself, 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

ELW 682

## To God Our Thanks We Give

Re - a - mo le - bo - ga, re - a - mo le - bo - ga,  
To God our thanks we give, to God our thanks we give,

re - a - mo le - bo - ga mo - di - mo wa ro - na.  
to God our thanks we give, our thanks to God we give.

The musical score is written for piano and voice. It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is one flat (B-flat). The time signature is 7/8. The first system contains the first two lines of the hymn, and the second system contains the next two lines. The lyrics are written below the vocal line. The piano accompaniment features chords and single notes, with some measures containing eighth notes. There are fermatas over some notes in the piano part.

## **OFFERING PRAYER**

God of field and forest, sea and sky,  
you are the giver of all good things.  
Sustain us with these gifts of your creation,  
and multiply your graciousness in us,  
that the world may be fed with your love,  
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.  
**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;  
who on this day overcame death and the grave,  
and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.  
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-er and might,  
heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. 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, ho - san - na in the high - est.

The musical score is written on four staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below each staff. The first staff ends with a whole note, and the fourth staff ends with a double bar line.

## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father...

O God, you are Breath: send your Spirit on this meal.

O God, you are Bread: feed us with yourself.

O God, you are wine: warm our hearts and make us one.

**Through him, with him, in him,  
in the unity of the Holy spirit,  
all honor and glory is yours almighty Father,  
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**

All people are called to Christ's table.

Come, eat what is good.

**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. Gluten free wafers and grape juice are available if you prefer.

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



*Please be seated.*

## COMMUNION SONG



- 1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
- 2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
- 3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.  
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.  
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

## COMMUNION HYMN

*As the Grains of Wheat*

ELW 465

*Please repeat until Communion is complete*

# As the Grains of Wheat

*Refrain*



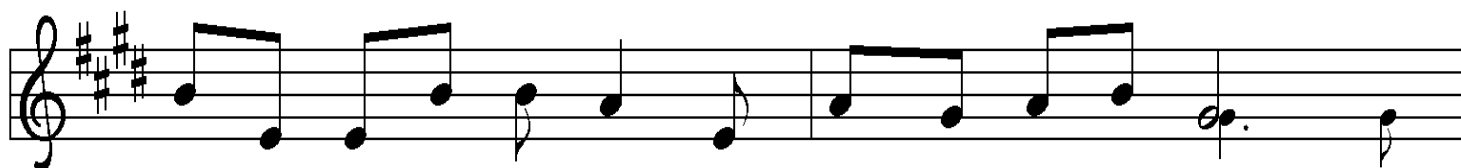
As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were



gath-ered in - to one to be - come our bread; so may all your peo-ple from



all the ends of earth be gath-ered in - to one in you.



1 As this cup of bless-ing is shared with-in our midst,

2 Let this be a fore-taste of all that is to come when



*Refrain*

may we share the pres - ence of your love.  
all cre - a - tion shares this feast with you.

Text: Didache, 2nd cent.; Marty Haugen, b. 1950

Music: AS THE GRAINS, Marty Haugen

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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, generous God,  
for the refreshment we have received  
at your banquet table.

Send us now to spread your generosity into all the world,  
through the one who is our dearest treasure,  
Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

## **SENDING**

### **BLESSING**

The God who calls across the cosmos  
and speaks in the smallest seed  
+ bless, keep, and sustain you  
now and to the end of the age.

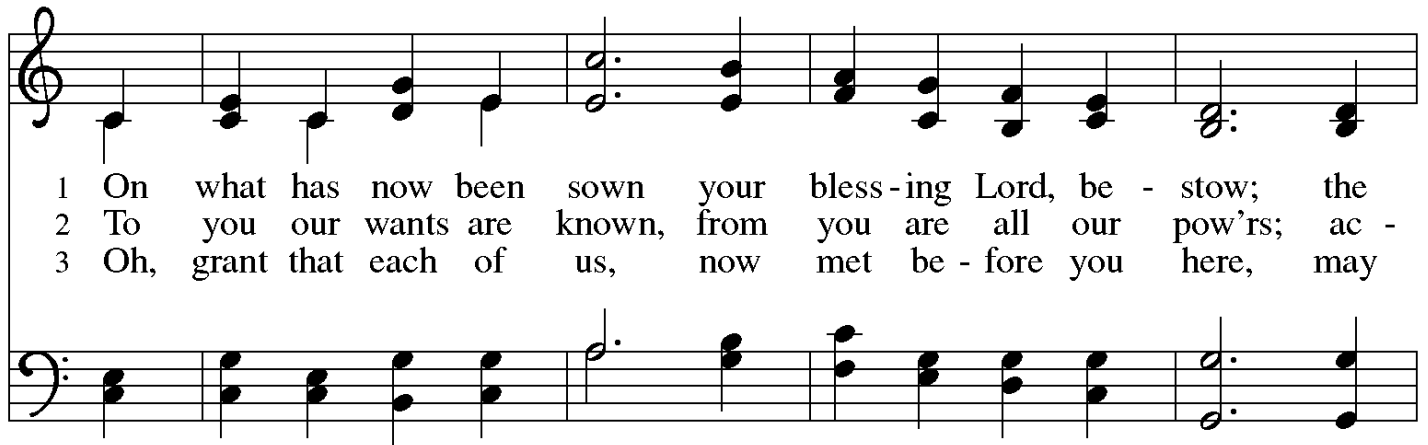
**Amen.**

## **SENDING HYMN**

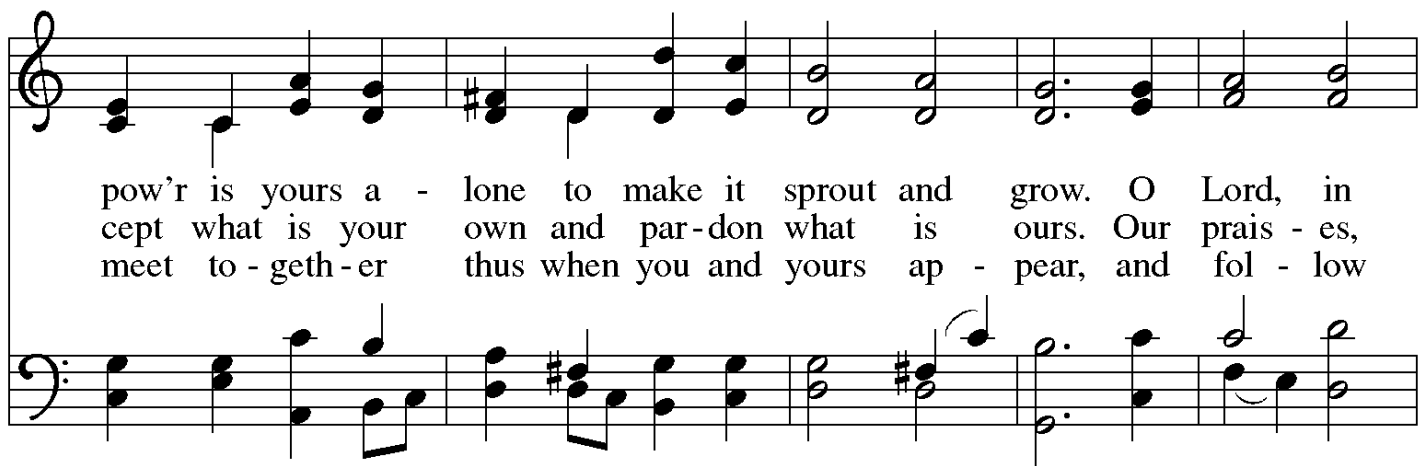
*On What Has Now Been Sown*

ELW 550

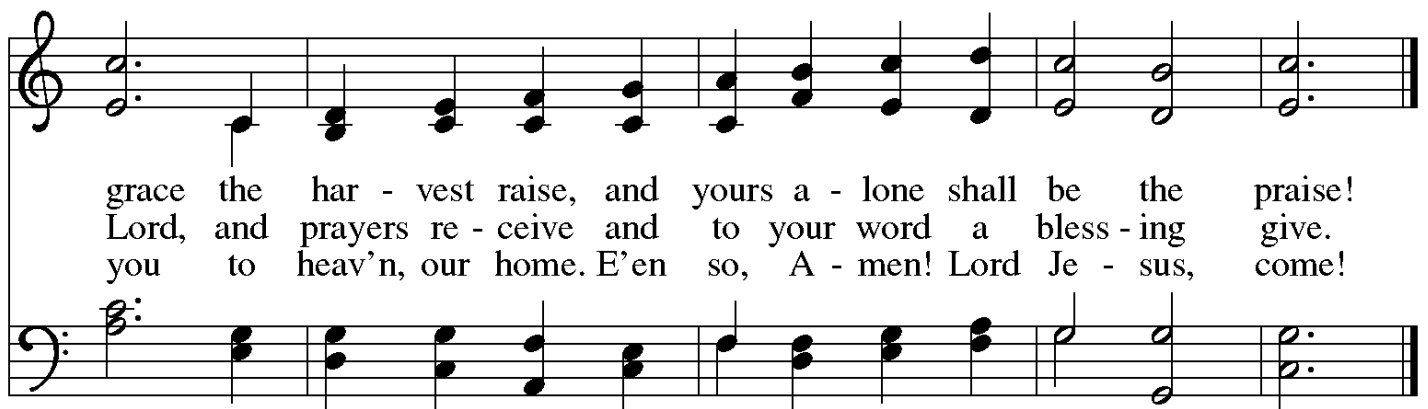
# On What Has Now Been Sown



1 On what has now been sown your bless - ing Lord, be - stow; the  
2 To you our wants are known, from you are all our pow'rs; ac -  
3 Oh, grant that each of us, now met be - fore you here, may



pow'r is yours a - lone to make it sprout and grow. O Lord, in  
cept what is your own and par-don what is ours. Our prais - es,  
meet to - geth - er thus when you and yours ap - pear, and fol - low



grace the har - vest raise, and yours a - lone shall be the praise!  
Lord, and prayers re - ceive and to your word a bless - ing give.  
you to heav'n, our home. E'en so, A - men! Lord Je - sus, come!

Text: John Newton, 1725–1807, alt.  
Music: DARWALL'S 148TH, John Darwall, 1731–1789

## DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the harvest.

**Thanks be to God!**

<b><u>Disciples Serving:</u></b>	<b><u>Today</u></b>	<b><u>Next Sunday</u></b>
Assisting Minister:	Ryan Kessinger	Cyrisse Cooley
Presider:	Pastor Mark Patzke	
Pianist:	Dr. J. Michael Beck	Dr. J. Michael Beck
Altar Guild:	Sue Kastelic	Sue Kastelic
Ushers/Greeters:	Sue Kastelic/Jerry Vargues	Sue Kastelic/Jerry Vargues
Counters:	Kathy Lambert/Leanne Neu	Nancy Piazza/Charlotte Vargues

## **PRAYERS**

<b><u>Members, Friends and Relatives</u></b>	<b><u>Added by Members</u></b>
Doris Ask	People of Tabor
Shirley Bass	People of Tabor
Judy Davis	Sister of Donna Tittel
Shirley DeRungs	People of Tabor
Virgie Giannetto	Lynn Truxell
Family of Dorothy Hanscom	People of Tabor
Family of Janet Johnson	Nancy Piazza
Darrel Neu	Husband of Leanne Neu
Sydney Pine	Truxell Family
Jean Reistad	Niece of Nancy Piazza
Pam Salas	People of Tabor
The Stone/Pilakowski Family	Truxell Family
Lynn Truxell	Truxell & Vargues Families
Marvin Truxell	Truxell & Vargues Families
Brooklyn Youngblood	Janis Youngblood

## **BIRTHDAYS**

July 19	Riley Dunton
July 22	Shirley DeRungs

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- *Congratulations and Thank you to our new Transition Team members Derek Truxell, Steve Miedziak, Kathy Lambert and Stacie Bowens.*
- *We are collecting your pictures from our past Oktoberfests to add to our social media post for this year's Oktoberfest. Please text any pictures you have to a council member or email to the church office.*