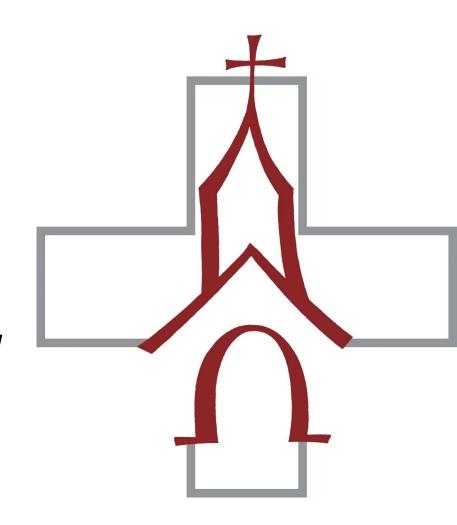
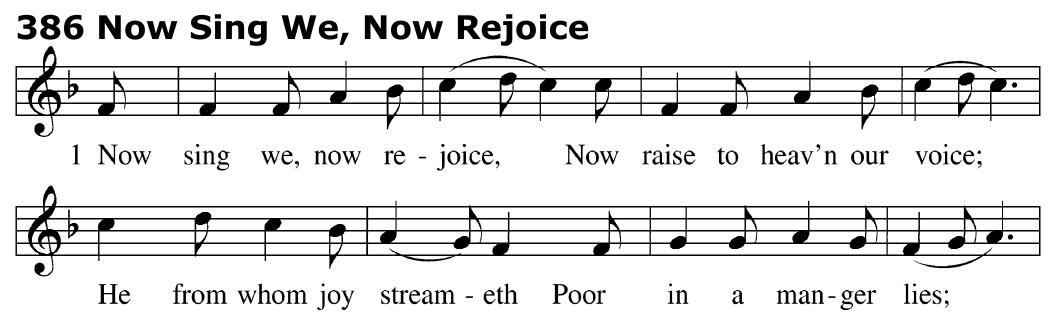
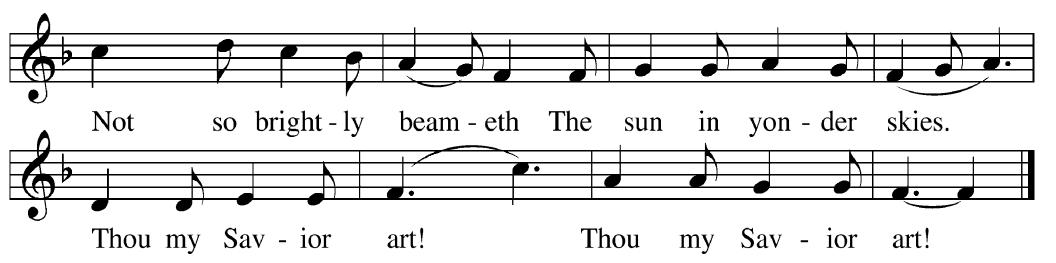
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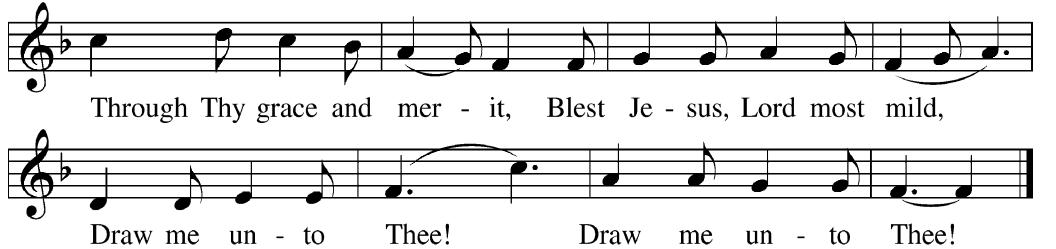


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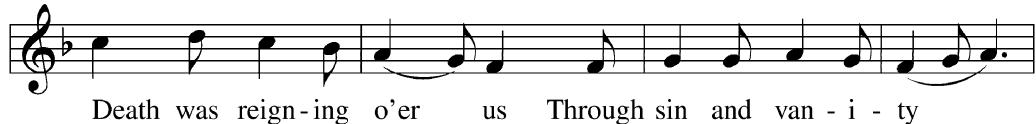


386 Now Sing We, Now Rejoice 2 Come from on high to me; I can - not rise Thee. to Cheer my wea-ried spir - it, O pure and ho - ly Child;

386 Now Sing We, Now Rejoice



3 Now through His Son doth shine The Fa-ther's grace di - vine.



386 Now Sing We, Now Rejoice



386 Now Sing We, Now Rejoice 4 Oh, where shall joy be found? Where but on heav'n-ly ground?

Where the an - gels sing - ing With all His saints u - nite,

386 Now Sing We, Now Rejoice



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Invocation

- In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
 - If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
 - But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

I. You shall have no other gods.

II. You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.

III. Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.

IV. Honor your father and your mother.

V. You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

VII. You shall not steal.

VIII. You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

IX. You shall not covet your neighbor's house.

X. You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

Confession of Sins

- **P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your

Confession of Sins

present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

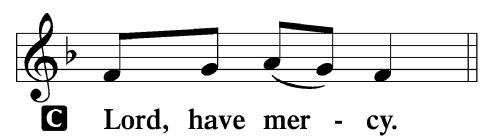
Absolution

Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

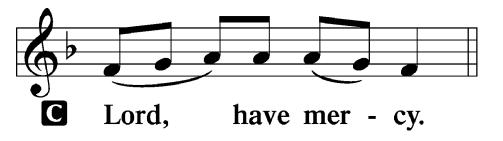
G Amen.

Kyrie

A In peace let us pray to the Lord.



A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



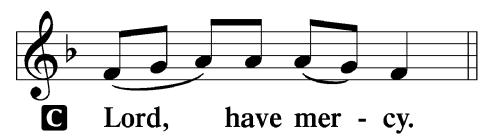
Kyrie

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

Kyrie

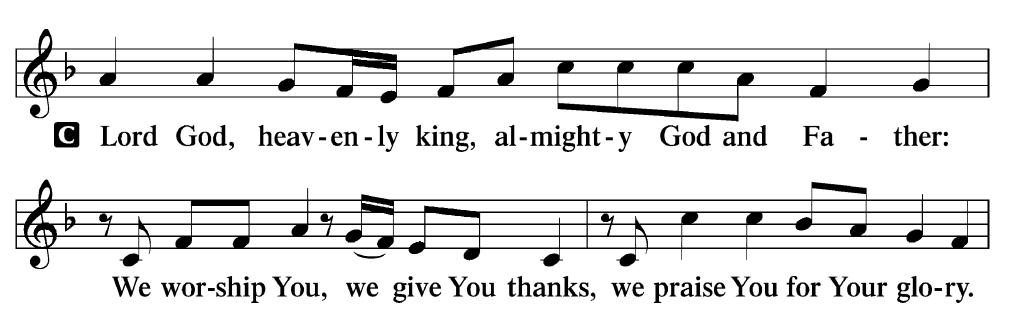


A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



Gloria in Excelsis

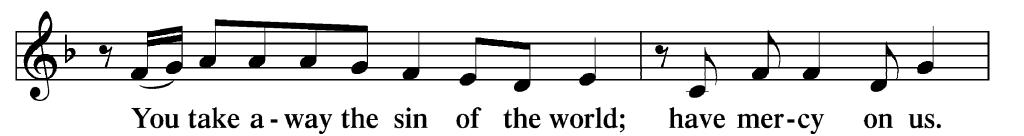
A Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.



Gloria in Excelsis



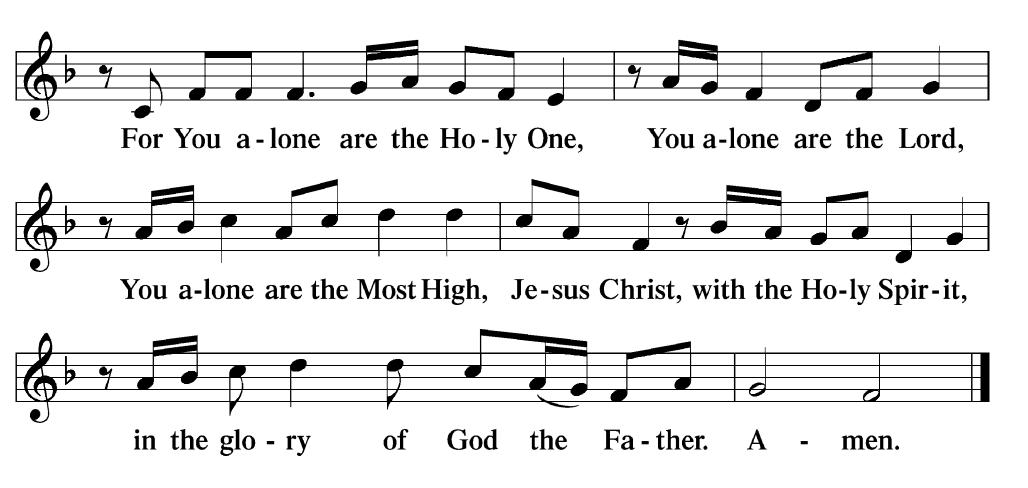
Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:





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

Gloria in Excelsis



Salutation and Collect of the Day: Christmas 1

The Lord be with you.



P Let us pray.

O God, our Maker and Redeemer, You wonderfully created us and in the incarnation of Your Son yet more wondrously restored our human nature.

Salutation and Collect of the Day: Christmas 1

Grant that we may ever be alive in Him who made Himself to be like us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 63:7-14 I will recount the steadfast love of the LORD, the praises of the LORD, according to all that the LORD has granted us, and the great goodness to the house of Israel that he has granted them according to his

compassion,

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 63:7-14 according to the abundance of his steadfast love. For he said, "Surely they are my people, children who will not deal falsely." And he became their Savior. In all their affliction he was afflicted, and the angel of his presence saved them; in his love and in his pity he redeemed them;

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 63:7–14 he lifted them up and carried them all the days of old. But they rebelled

and grieved his Holy Spirit; therefore he turned to be their enemy, and himself fought against them. Then he remembered the days of old,

of Moses and his people.

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 63:7-14 Where is he who brought them up out of the sea with the shepherds of his flock? Where is he who put in the midst of them his Holy Spirit, who caused his glorious arm to go at the right hand of Moses, who divided the waters before them to make for himself an everlasting name, who led them through the depths?

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 63:7-14 Like a horse in the desert, they did not stumble. Like livestock that go down into the valley, the Spirit of the LORD gave them rest. So you led your people, to make for yourself a glorious name.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Epistle Reading: Galatians 4:4–7

When the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.

Epistle Reading: Galatians 4:4-7

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse



Holy Gospel: Matthew 2:13-23

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the second chapter.



When [the wise men] had departed, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, "Rise, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you,

Holy Gospel: Matthew 2:13-23 for Herod is about to search for the child, to destroy him." And he rose and took the child and his mother by night and departed to Egypt and remained there until the death of Herod. This was to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet, "Out of Egypt I called my son."

Holy Gospel: Matthew 2:13-23 Then Herod when he can

Then Herod, when he saw that he had been tricked by the wise men, became furious, and he sent and killed all the male children in Bethlehem and in all that region who were two years old or under, according to the time that he had ascertained from the wise men. Then was fulfilled what was spoken by the prophet Jeremiah:

"A voice was heard in Ramah,
weeping and loud lamentation,
Rachel weeping for her children;
she refused to be comforted, because
they are no more."

Holy Gospel: Matthew 2:13-23

But when Herod died, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt, saying, "Rise, take the child and his mother and go to the land of Israel,

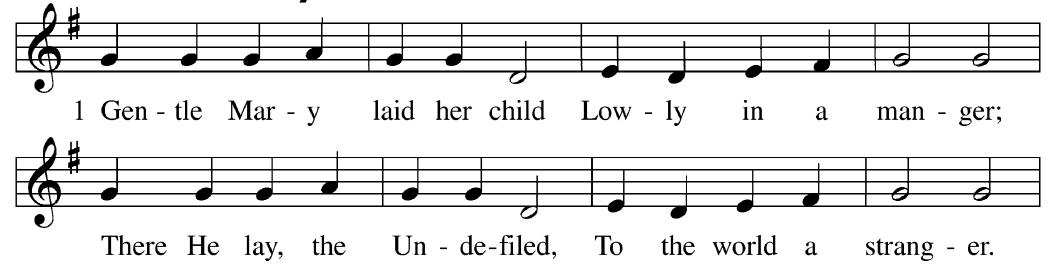
Holy Gospel: Matthew 2:13-23 for those who sought the child's life are dead." And he rose and took the child and his mother and went to the land of Israel. But when he heard that Archelaus was reigning over Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there, and being warned in a dream he withdrew to the district of Galilee.

Holy Gospel: Matthew 2:13-23

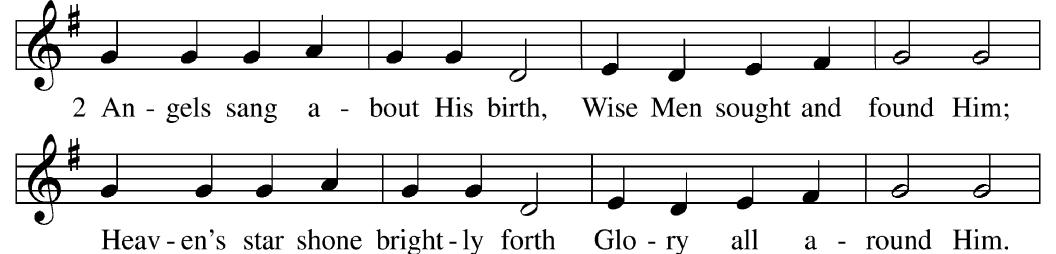
And he went and lived in a city called Nazareth, that what was spoken by the prophets might be fulfilled: "He shall be called a Nazarene."

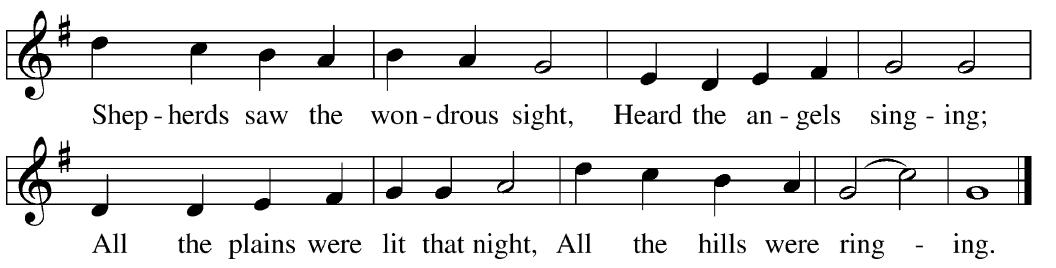
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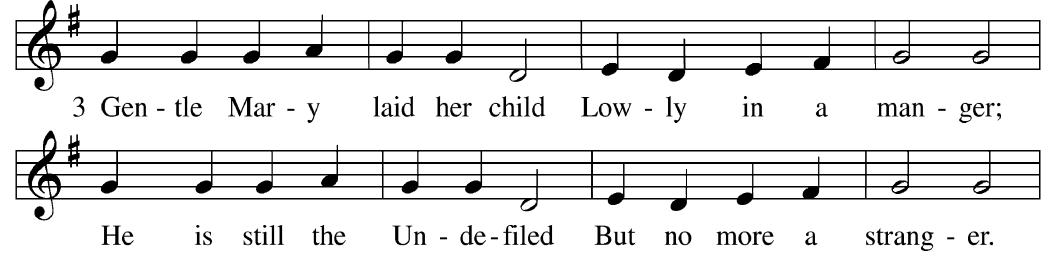


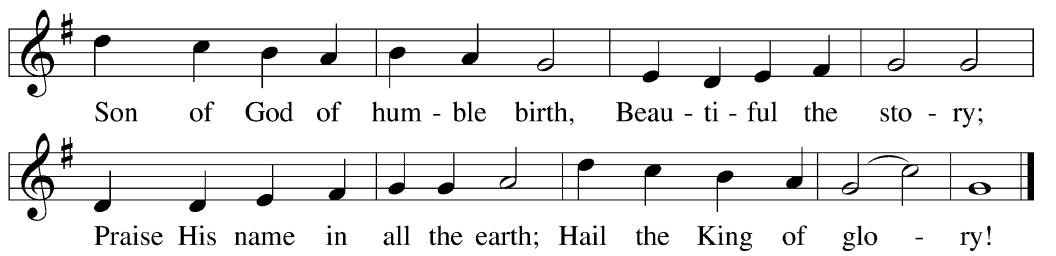












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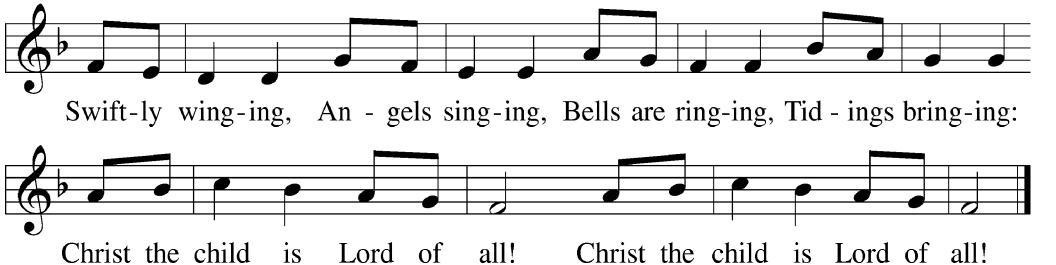
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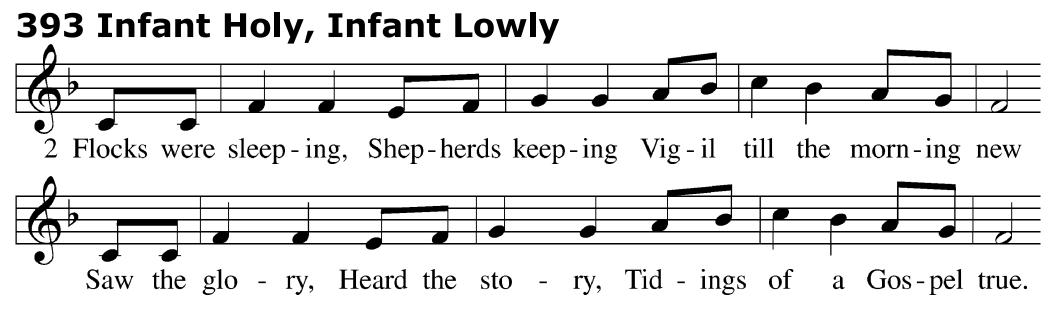
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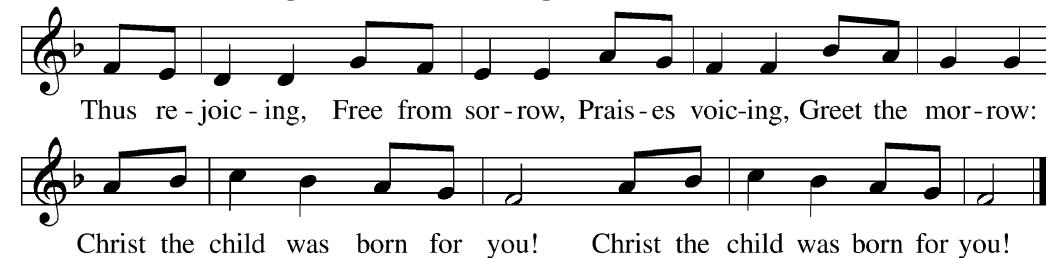
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I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds,

God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven

and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man;

and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered and was buried.

And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures

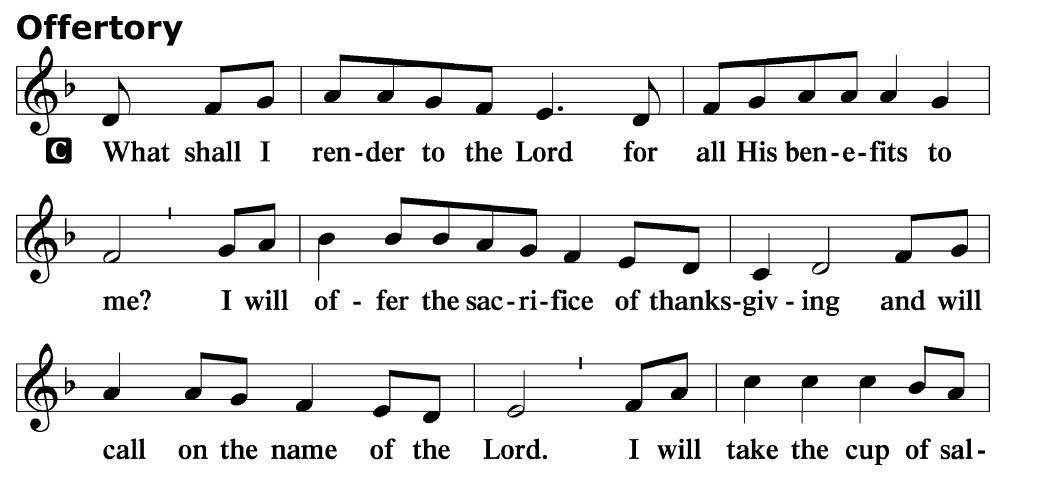
and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father.

And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

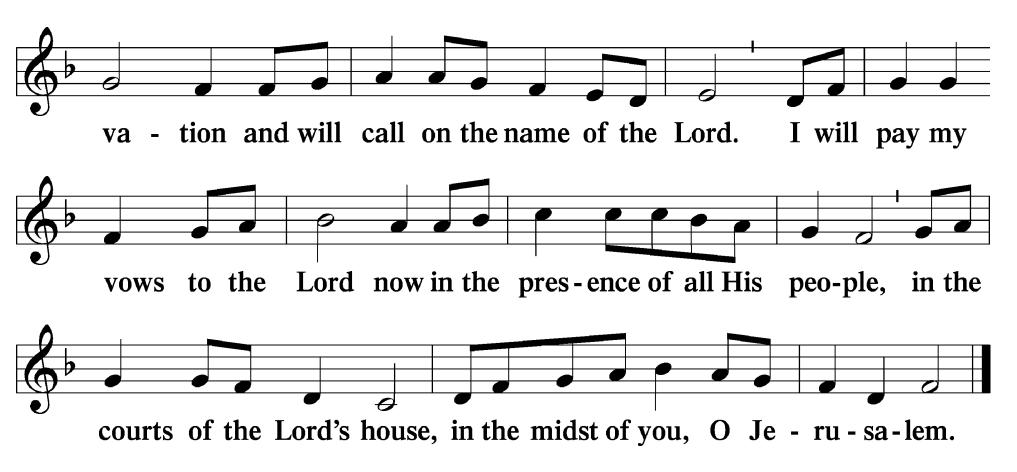
And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,

Offering



Offertory



Prayer of the Church

Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

- ...Lord, in Your mercy,
 hear our prayer.
 Lord, have mercy.
- Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy;
 - through Your Son Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C Amen.

Lord's Prayer Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold 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

Lord's Prayer

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.

Collect for the Word

O Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them that, by patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life;

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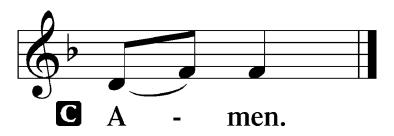
through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Benediction

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.



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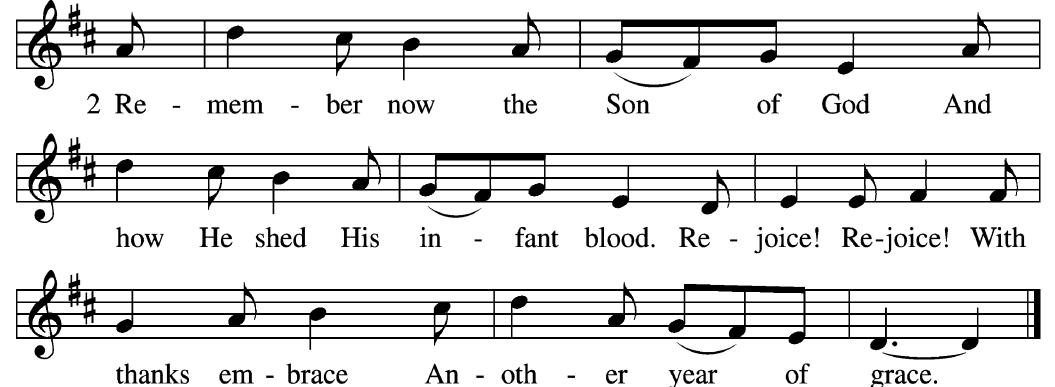
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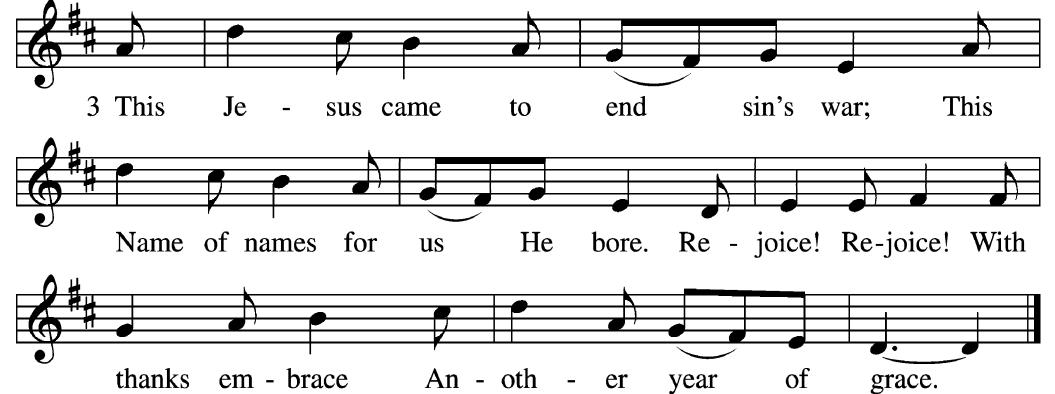
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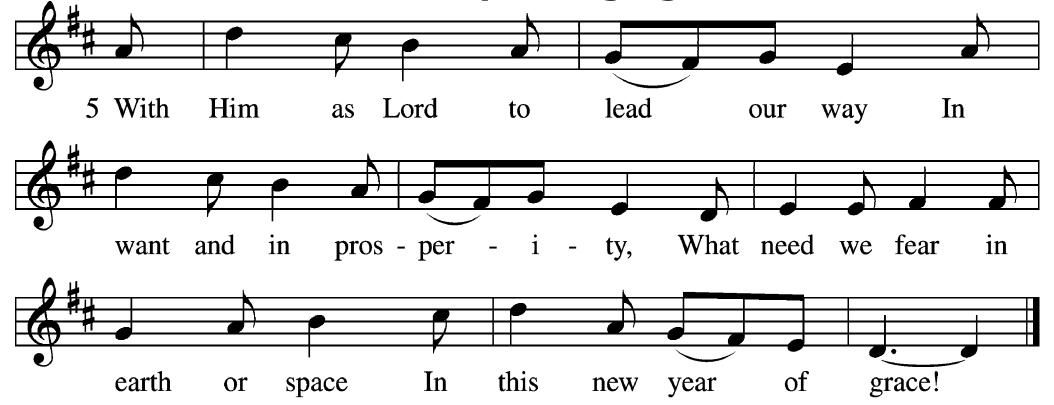
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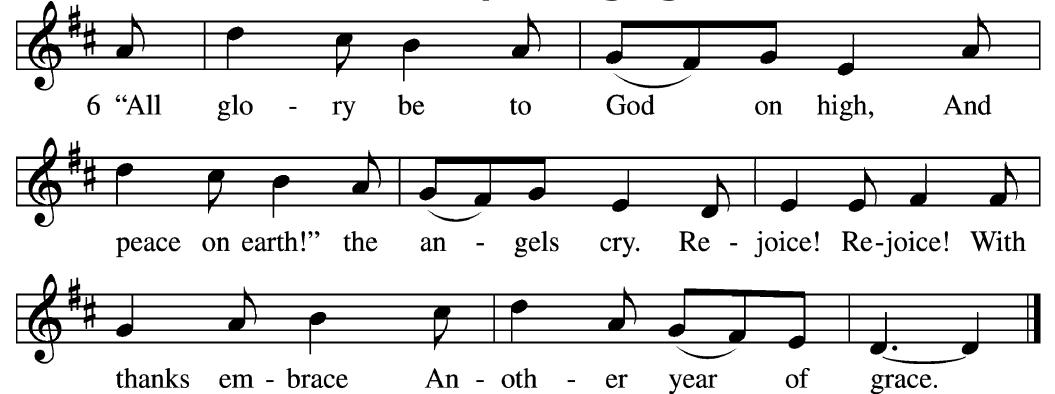
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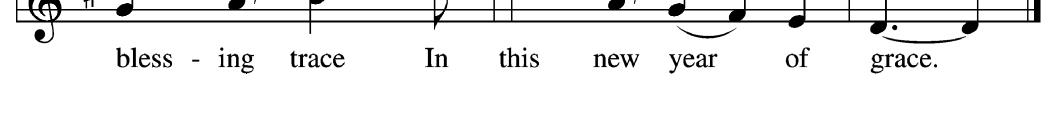








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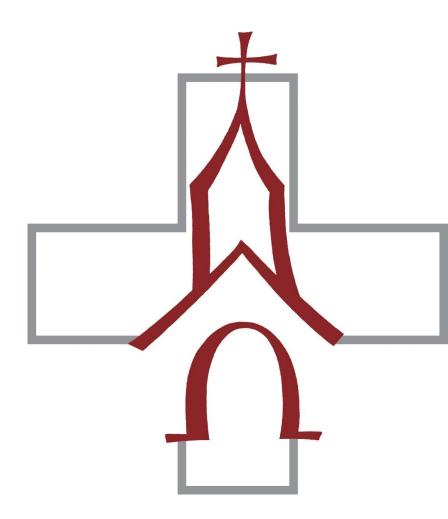


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Thanks be to God.

