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*Welcome to worship – May you experience the Presence of Christ this morning,
and walk through this week with His peace and gentle love.*



WE REALIZE OUR NEED FOR FORGIVENESS

***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P: Blessed be the Holy Trinity, One God, who creates us and forms us, who redeems us
and calls us, who unites us and sends us. **C: Amen.**

P: Gathered in God's presence, let us confess our sin.

Silence for reflection

P: Mighty and loving God,

**C: We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We seek our own way. We divide the
body of Christ. In your mercy, cleanse us and heal us. Let the words of our mouths, the thoughts of
our hearts, and everything that we do be filled with faith, hope, and love. Amen.**

***GATHERING HYMN ELW No. 822 "Oh, Sing to the Lord "**

Oh, sing to the Lord, oh, sing God a new song./// Oh, sing to our God, oh, sing to our God.

For God is the Lord, and God has done wonders./// Oh sing to our God, oh, sing to our God.

So dance for our God and blow all the trumpets/// Oh sing to our God, oh, sing to our God.

Oh, shout to our God, who gave us the Spirit./// Oh sing to our God, oh, sing to our God.

For Jesus is Lord! Amen! Aleluia! /// Oh sing to our God, oh, sing to our God.

P: The grace of our risen Lord Jesus Christ, the uplifting love of God, and the power of the Holy Spirit be
with you all. **And also with you.**

P: GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST, AND ON EARTH PEACE TO THOSE ON WHOM HIS FAVOR RESTS.

NOW THE FEAST

Refrain

Congregation:

Now the feast and celebra-tion,
all of cre-a-tion sings for joy
to the God of life and love and
free-dom: praise and glo-ry for ev-
er - more!

Verse 1

Congregation or Congregation 1:

1. Now is the feast of the Lamb once
slain, whose blood has freed and u-
nit-ed us to be one great peo-ple of
God.

Congregation or Congregation 2:

2. Pow-er and rich-es, wis-dom and
might, all hon-or and glo-ry to Christ
for ev-er.

Verse 3

Congregation:

3. For God has come to dwell with us, to
make us peo-ple of God; to make
all things new.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

All: Almighty and eternal God, you know our problems and our weaknesses better than we ourselves. In your love and by your power help us in our confusion and, in spite of our weakness, make us firm in faith; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

FIRST READING from Ezekiel 33: 7-11

L: The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God

Psalm 119: 33-40

Teach me, O LORD, the way of your statutes,
and I shall keep it to the end.

**Give me understanding, and I shall keep your law;
I shall keep it with all my heart.**

Make me go in the path of your commandments,
for that is my desire.

**Incline my heart to your decrees
and not to unjust gain.**

Turn my eyes from watching what is worthless;
give me life in your ways.

**Fulfill your promise to your servant,
which you make to those who fear you.**

Turn away the reproach which I dread,
because your judgments are good.

**Behold, I long for your commandments;
in your righteousness preserve my life.**

SECOND READING from Romans 13: 8-14

L: The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION - "Alleluia, Alleluia, Lord To Whom Shall We Go"

The image shows a musical score for a congregation. It is written in treble clef with a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#) and a time signature of 6/8. The score consists of three lines of music. The first line is labeled 'Congregation:' and contains the lyrics 'Al-le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we'. The second line contains the lyrics 'go? You have the words of e - ter - nal'. The third line contains the lyrics 'life. Al - le - lu - ia!' and is marked 'Optional Repeat' at the end. The music is a simple, rhythmic melody.

GOSPEL READING from Matthew 18: 15-20

P: The gospel of the Lord

C: Praise to you, O Christ

MESSAGE – Rev. Aida Muñiz

HYMN OF THE DAY ELW NO. 670 “Build Us Up, Lord”

Build us up, Lord, build us up; set in us a strong foundation. Lead us to do your holy will; form and shape your new creation. Builds us up, Lord, build us up; as we guide and teach each other, help us to share your love with the world: every sister, every brother.

Refrain

Growing in Christ, we plant seeds for the kingdom; we follow in faith what’s begun! Lord, set in our hearts the power of your word to spread the news of your Son!

Build us up, Lord, build us up; let our lives reflect your glory. Cast away all our doubts and fears; help us tell the world your story. Build us up, Lord, build us up; help us bear good fruit for you, Lord, give us vision and keep us sure. Grant us faith that’s steadfast and true. R

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, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there 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 THE PEOPLE

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

P: Because we are so blessed, we offer our gifts back to God with grateful hearts. We invite you to, if able, mail your envelopes to church or to keep using your bank institutions for your offerings.

LORD’S PRAYER

BLESSING

*** SENDING HYMN ELW NO. 538 “The Lord Now Sends Us Forth”**

The Lord now sends us forth with hands to serve and give, to make of all the earth a better place to live. The angels are not sent into our world of pain to do what we were meant to do in Jesus’ name; that falls to you and me and all who are made free. Help us, O Lord, we pray, to do your will today.

DISMISSAL

P: Go, serve the Lord, and may his peace be with you.

C: Thanks be to God!

SHARE THE PEACE OF GOD