



SECOND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS

Holy Communion

Christ the King Lutheran Church

Great Falls, Virginia

January 4, 2026

10:00 a.m.

*Our vision is to be a vibrant community of Jesus' disciples,
empowered by the Holy Spirit to bring God's grace into our world.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Christ the King Lutheran Church

Second Sunday of Christmas

January 4, 2026

About worship at Ctk

ELW refers to Evangelical Lutheran Worship, the red hymnal in the pew. *ACS* refers to All Creation Sings. *GS2* refers to Global Songs 2. *HFW* refers to Hymns for Worship compiled by Augsburg Fortress.

A: indicates Assisting Minister; P: indicates Presiding Minister;
R: indicates Reader; **C: indicates Congregation.**

At places where the ✝ appears, it is customary to make the sign of the cross in remembrance of your baptism. The Congregation responds with the words in **bold type**.

Should you need to use an enlarged print order of service, complete with Bible readings and hymns, you will find several in red binders located on the usher's table at the back of the sanctuary.

A few notes about worship:

- **We are glad to have children in worship.** We also know that children sometimes need to move and express themselves in ways that the service (and the pews) don't accommodate. There is a family break room/nursery available with toys, a rocking chair, changing table, and other items. It is staffed during Sunday School and the 11:00 worship service, but you are free to use it as needed. To find the family break room, turn left in the foyer and go past the doors leading to the parking lot. It's the first door on the left down the hall.
- The 11:00 worship service is streamed live on Facebook. The camera angles are set so that worshipers' faces are never seen on camera (the camera may occasionally pick up the back of the heads of those sitting in the front rows); only those leading worship from the chancel, lectern, piano, and organ are ever shown fully or face-on.

Altar Flowers

Altar flowers in honor, memory, or celebration of a loved one and/or event are available for sponsorship for \$60. Sign up for flowers in the church narthex (near the back parking lot door) at least one Sunday in advance to allow time to order. Dedications for the announcement sheet need to be emailed to either Karen or Kim no later than Tuesday of the week the flowers will be displayed.

Poinsettia Pick Up

Those who ordered poinsettias are welcome to pick them up from the front of the sanctuary and take them home.

WELCOME!



ELCA

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MEMBERSHIP

If you would like to know more about Christ the King or are interested in living out your discipleship as a member of this community, please contact the church office at (703)759-6068.

If you would like to be on our email list to receive our weekly newsletter, please contact the church office at (703)759-6068 or visit our website: gflutheran.org.

CALENDAR



Youth & Alumni Brunch Today at 11:15 a.m. _____

The Youth Team invites all current and former CtK youth to brunch after today's service. We would love to give everyone an opportunity to catch up, play a game of foosball, or eat as many "fruit by the foot" as possible! There will be breakfast casserole, pancakes, bacon, sausage, and lots of other tasty treats. Hope to see you there!

Blood Drive at Christ the King: Thursday, January 8 _____

We are having a Red Cross blood drive at Christ the King on Thursday, January 8, 2026 from 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. in Gysan Fellowship Hall. **Please go to <https://t.ly/UbV7L> to sign up for a donation timeslot on the Red Cross website.** We must have 30 donors to hold the blood drive.

We need help setting up at noon and cleaning up at 6:00 p.m. We will also need home baked goodies too, please. If you have any questions, please call Melody Starya Mobley at (571) 276-7356.

Prayers for the Congregation _____

For Healing: Peggy Borden; Lynda & Roger Hammel; Pat & Carol Murphy; Karen Magley; Vivienne Wardian

Coming soon! Look for lay helper opportunities on the CtK website: <https://www.gflutheran.org/signup> .

This Morning's Lay Helpers
Asst Minister – Open
Lector – Kristine Heine
Greeter(s) – Open
Usher(s) – Open
Cantor – Kristine Heine

Thank You!

Pastor Kessinger and the staff of Christ the King are very thankful for the generous gifts made to them by the congregation at Christmas. It is an honor to work with all of you and we are grateful for your support and appreciation. We wish you and your families many blessings in 2026.

AT CTK THIS WEEK January 4 – January 11

Sunday, January 4

Bring Your Child to Worship

10:00 a.m. – In-person Worship

(streaming available on Facebook Live)

11:15 a.m. – Youth & Alumni Brunch

7:00 p.m. – AA

Tuesday, January 6

7:00 a.m. – Men's Breakfast, la Madeleine

10.45 a.m. – KKP Chapel

2:00 p.m. – Staff Meeting

Wednesday, January 7

9:30 a.m. – Journey Women's Bible Study

10:45 a.m. – KKP Chapel

7:30 p.m. – Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, January 8

1:00 p.m. – Red Cross Blood Drive

7:30 p.m. – Service Team Meeting, Zoom

Saturday, January 10

7:00 p.m. – AA

Sunday, January 11

8:30 a.m. – In-person Worship

9:45 a.m. – Sunday School

9:45 a.m. – Adult Forum, In-person & Zoom

11:00 a.m. – In-person Worship

(streaming available on Facebook Live)

7:00 p.m. – AA



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John tells us very clearly that no one has ever seen God. He goes on to say that Jesus, who is nearest to God's heart, has made God known to us. It seems that a faithful steward would intentionally try to have a relationship with Jesus, so that s/he could know more about God. How's my relationship with Jesus?

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

PRELUDE

Please stand as you are able.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

- P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.
- C: **Amen.**
- P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C: **Amen.**
- P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

- P: Gracious God,
- C: **have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**
- P: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of ✠ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.
- C: **Amen.**

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GATHERING HYMN: ELW 292 Love Has Come



1 Love has come— a light in the dark - ness! Love shines forth in the
 2 Love is born! Come, share in the won - der. Love is God now a -
 3 Love has come and nev - er will leave us! Love is life ev - er -



Beth - le - hem skies. See, all heav - en has come to pro - claim it;
 sleep in the hay. See the glow in the eyes of his moth - er;
 last - ing and free. Love is Je - sus with - in and a - mong us.



hear how their song of joy a - ris - es: Love! Love! Born un - to
 what is the name her heart is say - ing? Love! Love! Love is the
 Love is the peace our hearts are seek - ing. Love! Love! Love is the



you, a Sav - ior! Love! Love! Glo - ry to God on high.
 name she whis - pers; Love! Love! Je - sus, Im - man - u - el.
 gift of Christ - mas. Love! Love! Praise to you, God on high!

GREETING

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

C: **And also with you.**




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

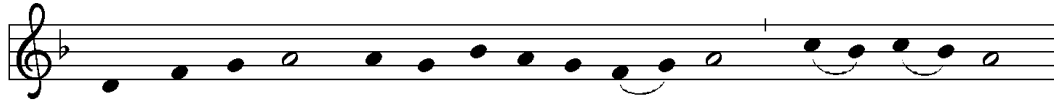
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Lord God, heav'n-ly King, al-might-y God and Fa - ther, we wor -



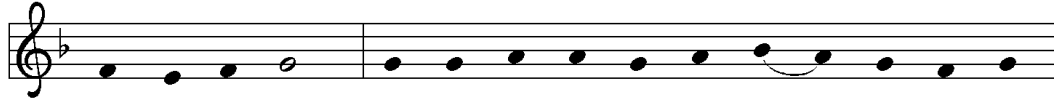
ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.




Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, O 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, you a - lone



are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

O God our redeemer, you created light that we might live, and you illumine our world with your beloved Son. By your Spirit comfort us in all darkness, and turn us toward the light of Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

FIRST LESSON: Jeremiah 31:7-14

R: A reading from Jeremiah.

⁷ Thus says the Lord: Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob, and raise shouts for the chief of the nations; proclaim, give praise, and say,

“Save, O Lord, your people, the remnant of Israel.”

⁸ See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth, among them the blind and the lame, those with child and those in labor together; a great company, they shall return here.

⁹ With weeping they shall come, and with consolations I will lead them back; I will let them walk by brooks of water, in a straight path where they shall not stumble, for I have become a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn.

¹⁰ Hear the word of the Lord, O nations, and declare it in the coastlands far away; say,

“He who scattered Israel will gather him and will keep him as a shepherd does a flock.”

¹¹ For the Lord has ransomed Jacob and has redeemed him from hands too strong for him.

¹² They shall come and sing aloud on the height of Zion, and they shall be radiant over the goodness of the Lord, over the grain, the wine, and the oil, and over the young of the flock and the herd; their life shall become like a watered garden, and they shall never languish again.

¹³ Then shall the young women rejoice in the dance, and the young men and the old shall be merry. I will turn their mourning into joy; I will comfort them and give them gladness for sorrow.

¹⁴ I will give the priests their fill of fatness, and my people shall be satisfied with my bounty, says the Lord.

The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

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*The Reader (R) says the regular text;
the Congregation (C) says the **bold text**.*

R: ¹²Worship the Lord, O Jerusalem; praise your God, O Zion,

C: ¹³**who has strengthened the bars of your gates and has blessed your children within you.**

R: ¹⁴God has established peace on your borders and satisfies you with the finest wheat.

C: ¹⁵**God sends out a command to the earth, a word that runs very swiftly.**

R: ¹⁶God gives snow like wool, scattering frost like ashes.

C: ¹⁷**God scatters hail like bread crumbs. Who can stand against God's cold?**

R: ¹⁸The Lord sends forth the word and melts them; the wind blows, and the waters flow.

C: ¹⁹**God declares the word to Jacob, statutes and judgments to Israel.**

R: ²⁰The Lord has not done so to any other nation; they do not know God's judgments. Hallelujah!

SECOND LESSON: Ephesians 1:3-14

R: A reading from Ephesians.

³ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, ⁴ just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. ⁵ He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, ⁶ to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. ⁷ In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace ⁸ that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight ⁹ he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, ¹⁰ as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. ¹¹ In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, ¹² so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. ¹³ In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; ¹⁴ this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia

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Al-le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Repeat alleluia

HOLY GOSPEL: John 1:1-18

P: The holy gospel according to St. John.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

P: ¹In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ²He was in the beginning with God. ³All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being ⁴in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. ⁵The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overtake it.

⁶There was a man sent from God whose name was John. ⁷He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. ⁸He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. ⁹The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.

¹⁰He was in the world, and the world came into being through him, yet the world did not know him. ¹¹He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. ¹²But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, ¹³who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God.

¹⁴And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth. ¹⁵(John testified to him and cried out, "This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me ranks ahead of me because he was before me.' ") ¹⁶From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. ¹⁷The law indeed was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. ¹⁸No one has ever seen God. It is the only Son, himself God, who is close to the Father's heart, who has made him known.

The gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

The Rev. Sandy Kessinger

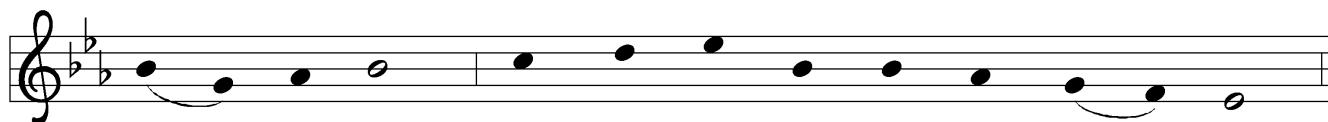
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HYMN OF THE DAY: ELW 295 Of the Father's Love Begotten



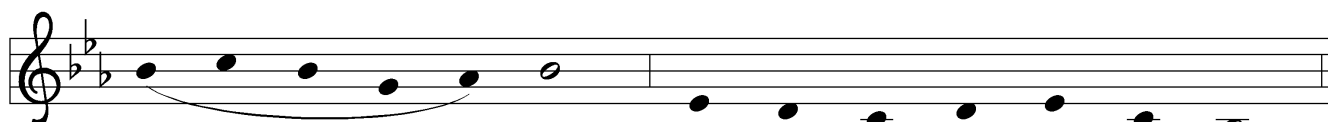
1 Of the Fa - ther's love be - got - ten ere the worlds be -
 2 Oh, that birth for - ev - er bless - ed, when the vir - gin,
 3 This is he whom seers in old time chant - ed of with
 4 Let the heights of heav'n a - dore him; an - gel hosts, his
 5 Christ, to thee, with God the Fa - ther, and, O Ho - ly



gan to be, he is Al - pha and O - me - ga,
 full of grace, by the Ho - ly Ghost con - ceiv - ing,
 one ac - cord, whom the voic - es of the proph - ets
 prais - es sing; pow'rs, do - min - ions, bow be - fore him
 Ghost, to thee, hymn and chant and high thanks - giv - ing



he the source, the end - ing he, of the things that are, that
 bore the Sav - ior of our race, and the babe, the world's re -
 prom - ised in their faith - ful word; now he shines, the long - ex -
 and ex - tol our God and King; let no tongue on earth be
 and un - wea - ried prais - es be: hon - or, glo - ry, and do -



have been, and that fu - ture years shall see,
 deem - er, first re - vealed his sa - cred face,
 pect - ed; let cre - a - tion praise its Lord
 si - lent, ev - 'ry voice in con - cert ring
 min - ion, and e - ter - nal vic - to - ry



ev - er - more and ev - er - more.
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 ev - er - more and ev - er - more.
 ev - er - more and ev - er - more! A - men.

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.

Please sit or kneel as you are comfortable for our time of prayer.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

A: Empowered by the news of Christ's birth, let us pray boldly for the church, creation, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

O God, you reveal yourself wherever two or three are gathered in your name. Be with us now, not only in the infant Jesus and resurrected Christ, but in the beloved people of this assembly. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: You reveal yourself in the waters of the womb; in brooks, ponds, and oceans; and in the waters of baptism. Grant us wisdom to tenderly care for the earth as a garden watered by your grace. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: You reveal yourself in blessed diversity. Help us to look for you in people near and far, in bodies of all kinds, and in kindred young and old. Let us seek you in many places, praising you in many tongues. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: You reveal yourself in new life. Support those beginning a new job, a new relationship, or a new living situation, especially those displaced because of tragedy or loss. Be with all others who need your life-giving touch this day, especially those on our prayer list and those we name in our hearts. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: You reveal yourself in holy communion. Sustain all who provide food and fellowship in this congregation and in the wider community. Make our tables signs of your welcoming presence among us. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: Come, Holy Spirit, come. Open our hearts and minds as we seek your guidance while in our call process. Unite us in purpose. Help us to remain faithful to our mission as we discern your will. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: You promise to turn mourning into joy and to comfort those who weep. We remember those who have died and look to being united with them in your glory. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: You promise to turn mourning into joy and to comfort those who weep. We remember those who have died and look to being united with you in your glory. Hear us, O God.

C: **Your mercy is great.**

A: With the joy of Christ's birth in our hearts, we commend our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your boundless mercy and eternal love; through Jesus Christ our Savior.

C: **Amen.**

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Please greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace by saying Peace be with you as you shake hands or embrace. Please be seated following the sharing of the peace.

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: **And also with you.**

MEAL

OFFERING AND MUSICAL OFFERING

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OFFERING AND REGATHERING SONG: Lamb of God

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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. A - men.

OFFERING PRAYER

A: Let us pray.

God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: **Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

DIALOGUE

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

PREFACE

P: 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

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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 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

P: Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

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, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

C: **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

P: Taste and see that the Lord is good.

DISTRIBUTION WITH MUSICAL OFFERING

Instructions for communion distribution will be given at this time.

All who seek God and a deeper life in Christ are welcome to participate in Holy Communion. Those who have not received instruction or who wish not to receive communion may come forward for a blessing.

POST-COMMUNION HYMN: ELW 496 One Bread, One Body

Refrain

One bread, one bod-y, one Lord of all; one cup of
 bless-ing which we bless, and we, though man-y
 through-out the earth, we are one bod - y in this one Lord.
 1 Gen - tile or Jew, ser - vant or free,
 2 Man - y the gifts, man - y the works,
 3 Grain for the fields, scat-tered and grown,
Refrain
 wom-an or man, no more.
 one in the Lord of all.
 gath-ered to one for all.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: Merciful God, we thank you for Jesus, who is our heavenly food. Strengthened by this goodness, send us forth to announce your peace, comfort the afflicted, and share the good news of great joy.

C: **Amen.**

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

BENEDICTION

P: The God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus.

C: **Amen.**

P: The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

P: The God of all grace ✙ bless you now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

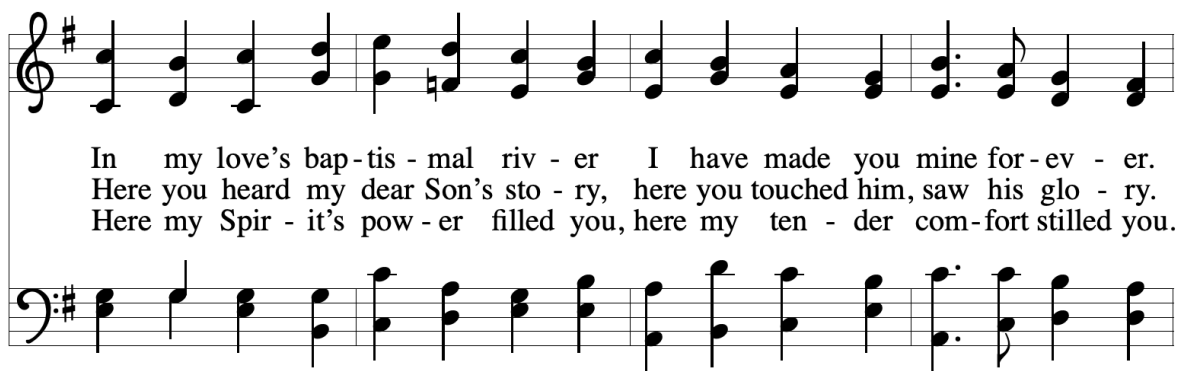
SENDING HYMN: ELW 543 Go, My Children, with My Blessing



1 "Go, my chil - dren, with my bless-ing, nev - er a - lone.
 2 "Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure.
 3 "Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour-ished, clos - er to me.



Wak - ing, sleep - ing, I am with you, you are my own.
 Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.
 Grow in love and love by serv - ing, joy - ful and free.



In my love's bap-tis - mal riv - er I have made you mine for-ev - er.
 Here you heard my dear Son's sto - ry, here you touched him, saw his glo - ry.
 Here my Spir - it's pow - er filled you, here my ten - der com-fort stilled you.



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 Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure."
 Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour-ished, joy - ful and free."

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Christ is with you.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE