AUGUST 2ND 2026
TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Christ the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church
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WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

We're glad you're here! Please let our ushers know if there is anything that you need.

Live-Stream: Please note that our services our recorded, broadcast live, and a recording is made publicly available on YouTube. If you wish to sit off camera during service, please speak to an usher. Our pastor can bring communion to your seat. If you have any questions or concerns at any time, please don't hesitate to ask one of our ushers.

For families with children: Most Sundays our Godly Play Sunday School takes place during worship, and all children and parents are welcome. Ask an usher for directions to the classroom. We have a kids' play area in the back of the sanctuary, and an enclosed family playroom is open near the main sanctuary doors. Families are welcome to use both spaces during worship and should feel free to move about as needed. Kids in the playroom must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

After worship: Please enjoy some refreshments and fellowship in the Great Hall and church garden—head straight out of the sanctuary and down the hallway.

SERVING THE COMMUNITY TODAY:

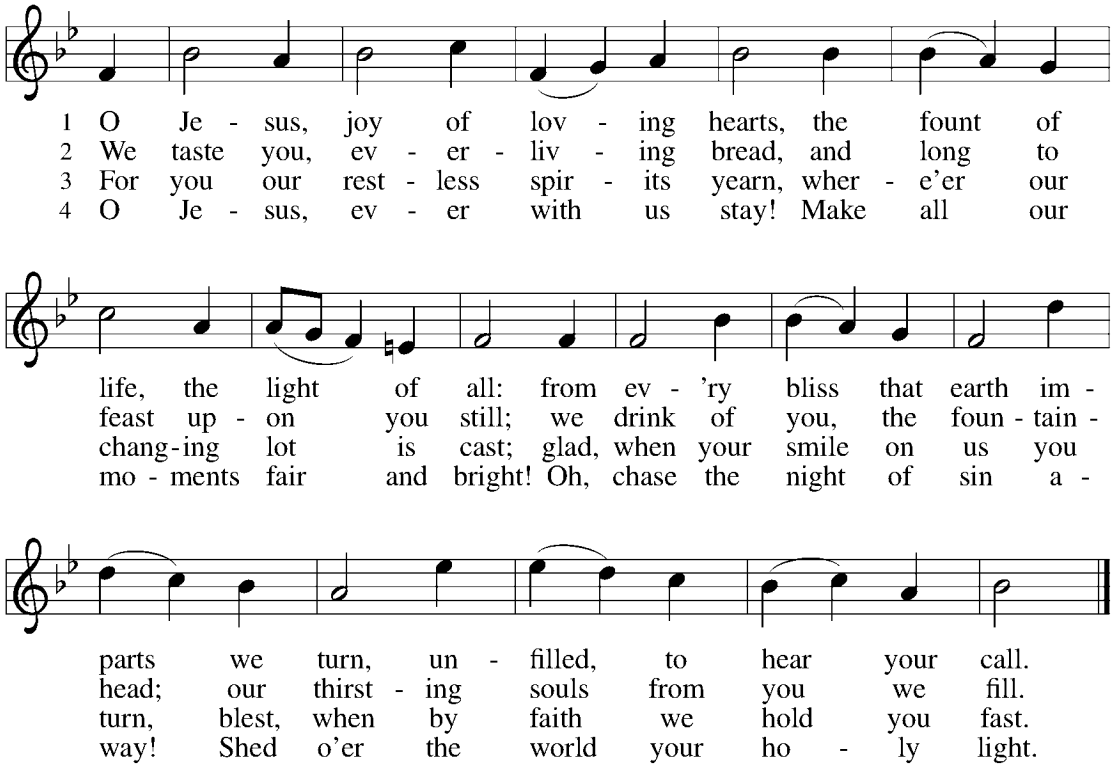
Pastor	Kristofer Rhude
Assisting Minister	Isabelle Coste
Reader	Ramona Tranchina
Altar Guild	Jerry Clark & Michael Komnick
Music Director	Daniel Thomas
Choir Director	Rey Lambatin
Coffee Team	Paul & Noriko Thomas, Andy Koch
Ushers	Jean Jensen & Peter Moen
Livestream	Tom Stein

Christ the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church is part of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and is proud to be a loving Christian community for LGBTQ+ people in the South Bay since 1987.

WELCOME

GATHERING SONG • O JESUS, JOY OF LOVING HEARTS

Please rise in body or in spirit



GREETING

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

All **And also with you.**

Please be seated

KYRIE AND SONG OF PRAISE

Leader In peace, in peace, let us pray to the Lord:

All

Leader For the reign of God, and for peace throughout the world, for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord:

All

Leader For your people here who have come to give you praise, for the strength to live your word, let us pray to the Lord:

All

Leader Help, save, and defend us, O God.

All

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one great peo - ple of God. Now the feast and cel - e -
bra-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!
Pow-er and rich-es, wis-dom and might, all hon - or and glo-ry to Christ for-
ev-er. Now the feast and cel - e - bra-tion, all of cre-
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praise and glo - ry for - ev - er - more! For
God has come to dwell with us, to make us peo-ple of God; to make
all things new. Now the feast and cel - e -
bra-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!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Asst. Min. Let us pray,
Glorious God, your generosity waters the world with goodness, and you cover creation with abundance. Awaken in us a hunger for the food that satisfies both body and spirit, and with this food fill all the starving world; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

All **Amen.**

FIRST READING

Reader A reading from Isaiah, the 55th chapter.

[1] Hear, everyone who thirsts;
come to the waters;
and you who have no money,
come, buy and eat!
Come, buy wine and milk
without money and without price.
[2] Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread
and your earnings for that which does not satisfy?
Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good,
and delight yourselves in rich food.
[3] Incline your ear, and come to me;
listen, so that you may live.
I will make with you an everlasting covenant,
my steadfast, sure love for David.
[4] See, I made him a witness to the peoples,
a leader and commander for the peoples.
[5] Now you shall call nations that you do not know,
and nations that do not know you shall run to you,
because of the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel,
for he has glorified you.

PSALM

Reader I invite you to join me in reading the 145th Psalm responsively.

Reader [8] The Lord is gracious and full of compassion,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

All [9] **Lord, you are good to all,**
and your compassion is over all your works.

Reader [14] The Lord upholds all those who fall
and lifts up those who are bowed down.

All [15] **The eyes of all wait upon you, O Lord,**
and you give them their food in due season.

Reader [16] You open wide your hand
and satisfy the desire of every living thing.

All [17] **You are righteous in all your ways**
and loving in all your works.

Reader [18] You are near to all who call upon you,
to all who call up-on you faithfully.

All [19] **You fulfill the desire of those who fear you;**
you hear their cry and save them.

Reader [20] You watch over all those who love you,
but all the wicked you shall destroy.

All [21] **My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord;**
let all flesh bless God's holy name forever and ever.

SECOND READING

Reader A reading from Romans, the ninth chapter.

[1] I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit—[2] I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. [3] For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own brothers and sisters, my own flesh and blood. [4] They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; [5] to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Christ, who is over all, God blessed forever. Amen.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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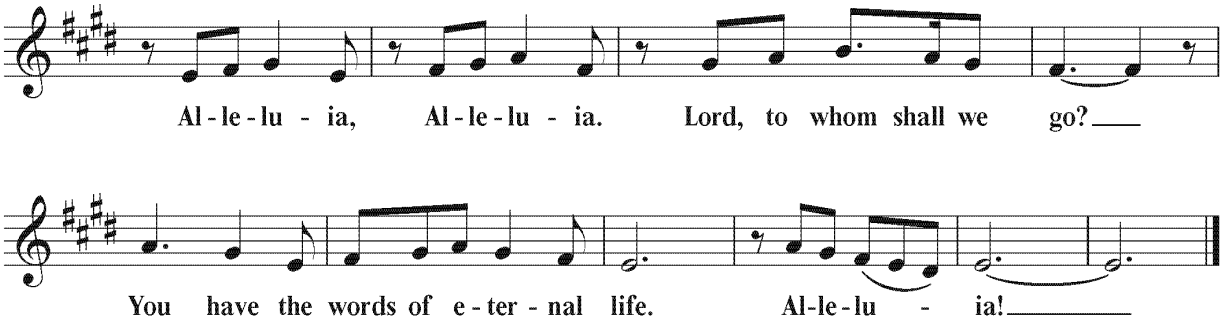


GOSPEL READING

Pastor The Gospel according to Matthew, the 14th chapter.

All **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Pastor [13] Now when Jesus heard [about the beheading of John the Baptist,] he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. [14] When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. [15] When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." [16] Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." [17] They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." [18] And he said, "Bring them here to me." [19] Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and blessed and broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. [20] And all ate and were filled, and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. [21] And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

Pastor The Gospel of our Lord.

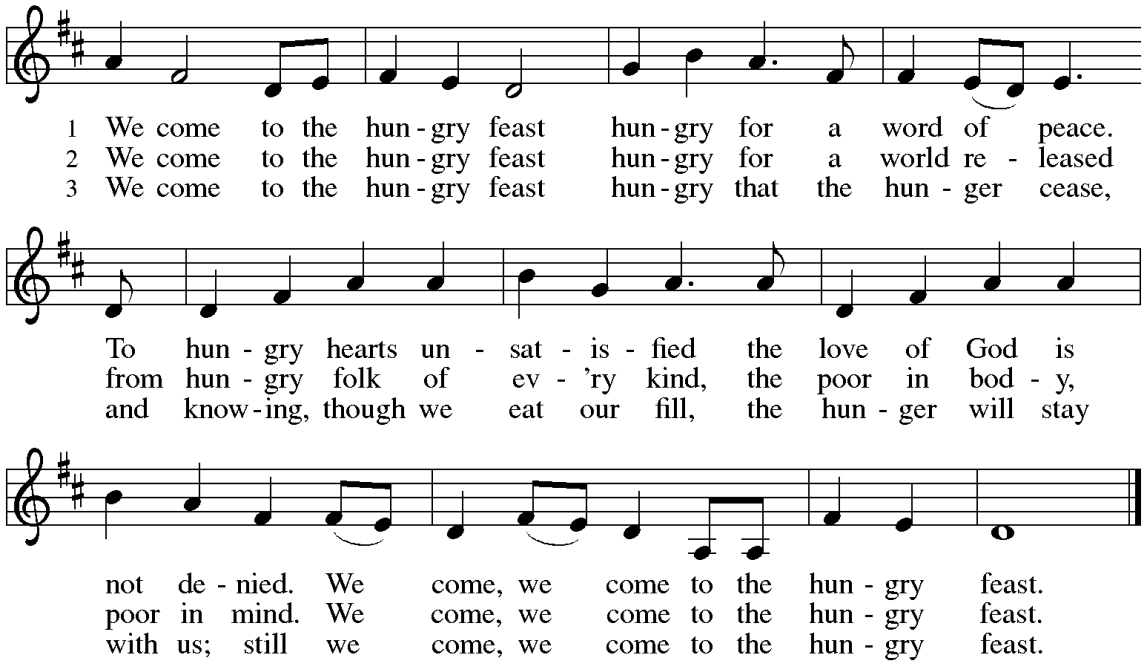
All **Thanks be to God.**

Please be seated

SERMON

Pastor Kristofer Rhude

SONG OF THE DAY • WE COME TO THE HUNGRY FEAST



PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Please rise in body or in spirit

After each petition, the assisting minister will pray: "Merciful God," and the congregation is invited to respond: "hear our prayer."

Asst. Min. Trusting you receive all our prayers, we commend our spoken and unspoken prayers to you, O God, through Jesus our Savior.

All **Amen.**

PASSING OF THE PEACE

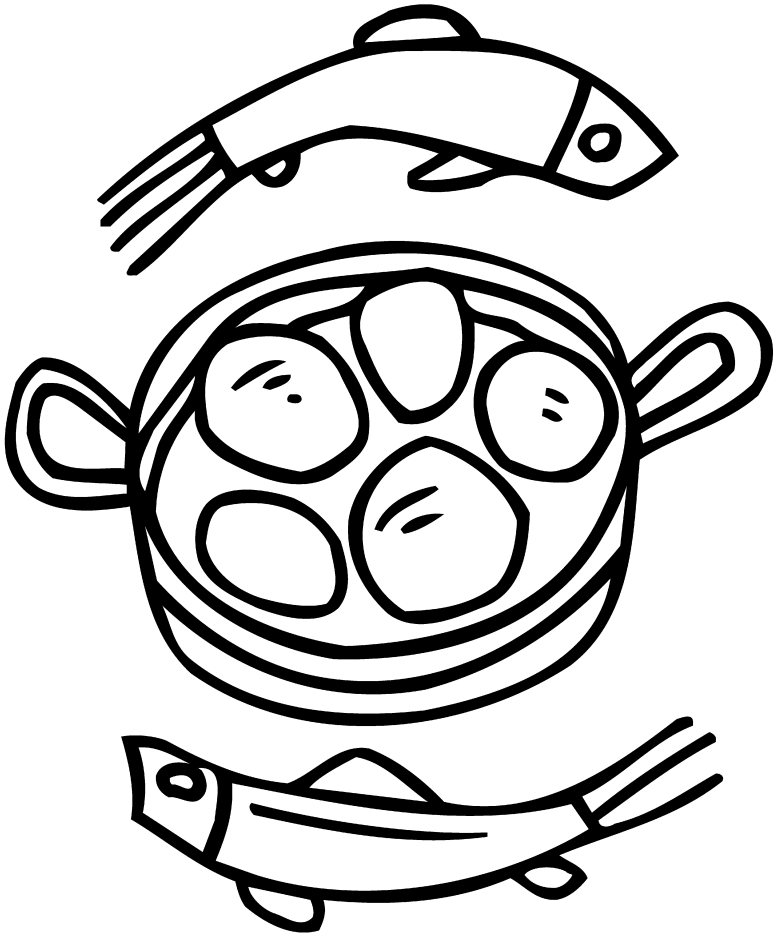
Pastor The peace of Christ be with you all.

All **And also with you.**

We encourage you to share a sign of peace with respect to the boundaries of others. Shaking hands, giving your neighbor the peace sign, or putting your hand on your heart and saying "God's peace be with you" are a few of many options for sharing a sign of peace.

OFFERING

God continues to deal abundantly with us and with the whole human family. Our collected offerings proclaim that abundance through our shared mission. If you would like to support the mission of this Christian community, you may drop an offering in the plates being passed, give online at www.cgslc.org/donate, or use the QR codes on the final page of this bulletin.



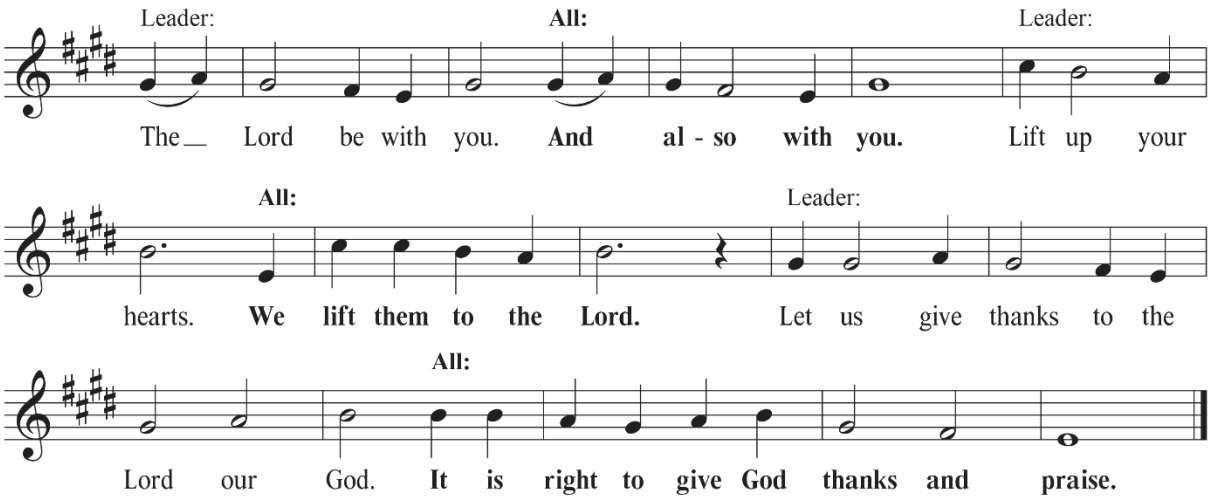
OFFERTORY AND PRAYER

Please rise in body or in spirit

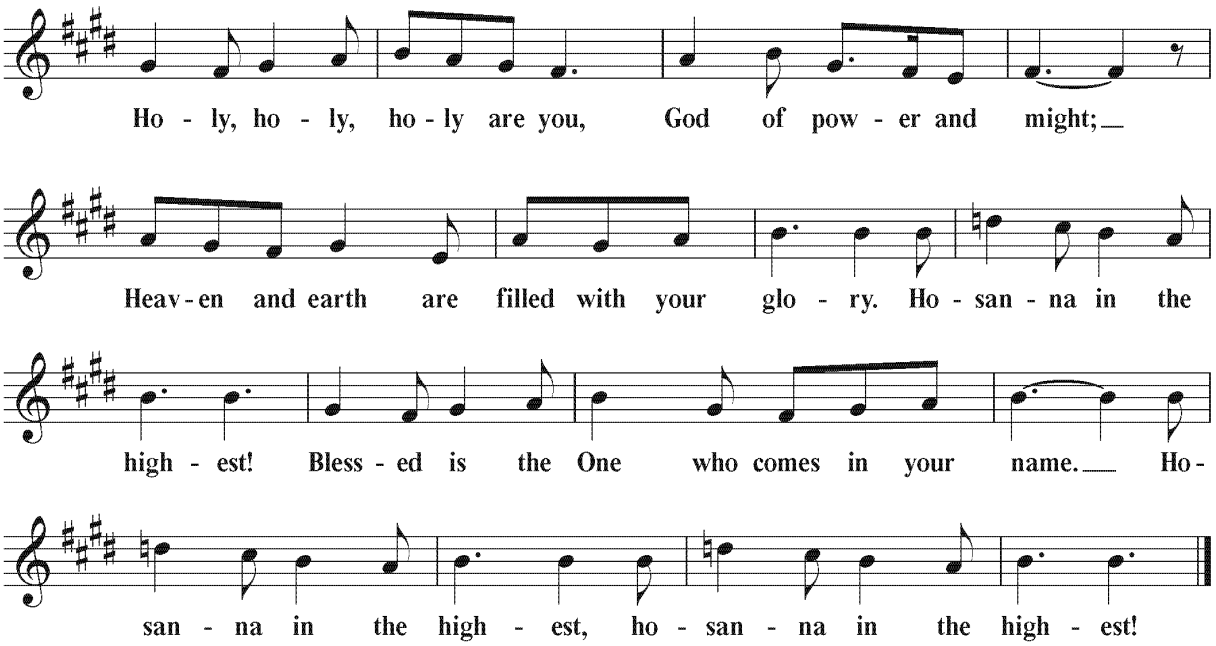
Asst. Min. Let us pray. Loving God,

All **we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts. Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love, so that all creation can taste your abundance. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever. Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING



Pastor It is indeed right, our duty and our joy... *(Pastor continues)* ...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Pastor Holy God, you alone are holy, you alone are God. The universe declares your praise: beyond the stars; beneath the sea; within each cell; with every breath.

All **We praise you, O God.**

Pastor Generations bless your faithfulness: through the water; by night and day; across the wilderness; out of exile; into the future.

All **We bless you, O God.**

Pastor We give you thanks for your dear Son: at the heart of human life; near to those who suffer; beside the sinner; among the poor; with us now.

All **We thank you, O God.**

Pastor In the night in which he was handed over, 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 his love for us on the way, at the table, and to the end, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All
Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

Pastor We pray for the gift of your Spirit: in our gathering; within this meal; among your people; throughout the world. Blessing, praise, and thanks to you, holy God, through Christ Jesus, by your Spirit, in your church, without end.

All **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

You are invited to pray in the language of your own choosing.

Our God, who art in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kin-dom come,
your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kin-dom, the power,
and the glory are yours, now and forever.
Amen.

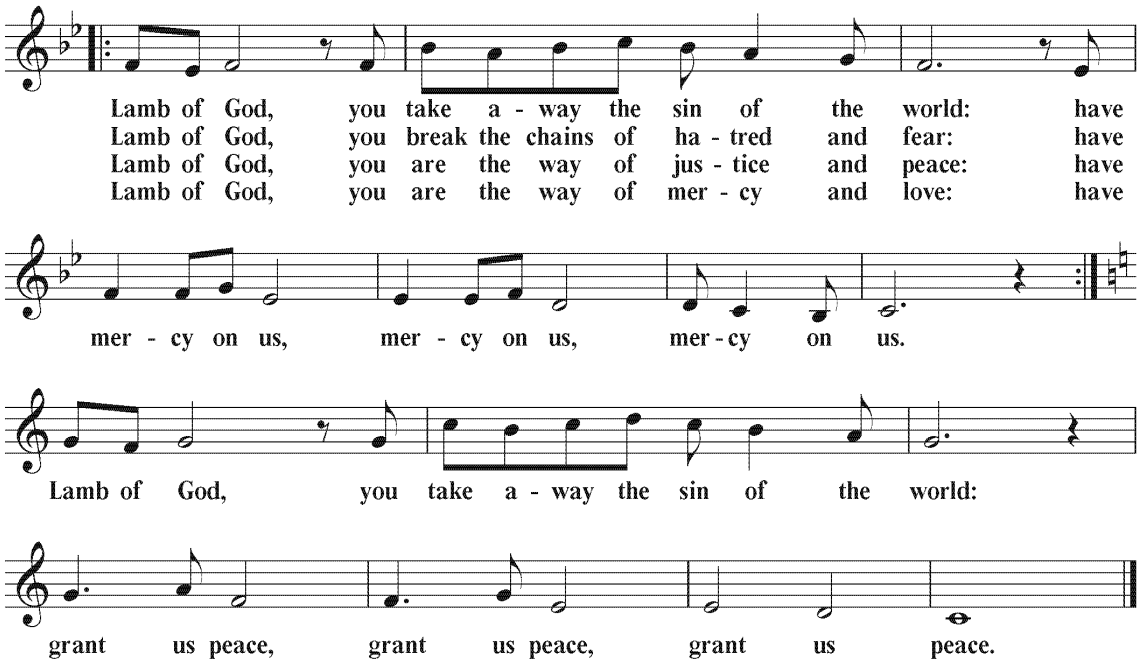
Please be seated

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

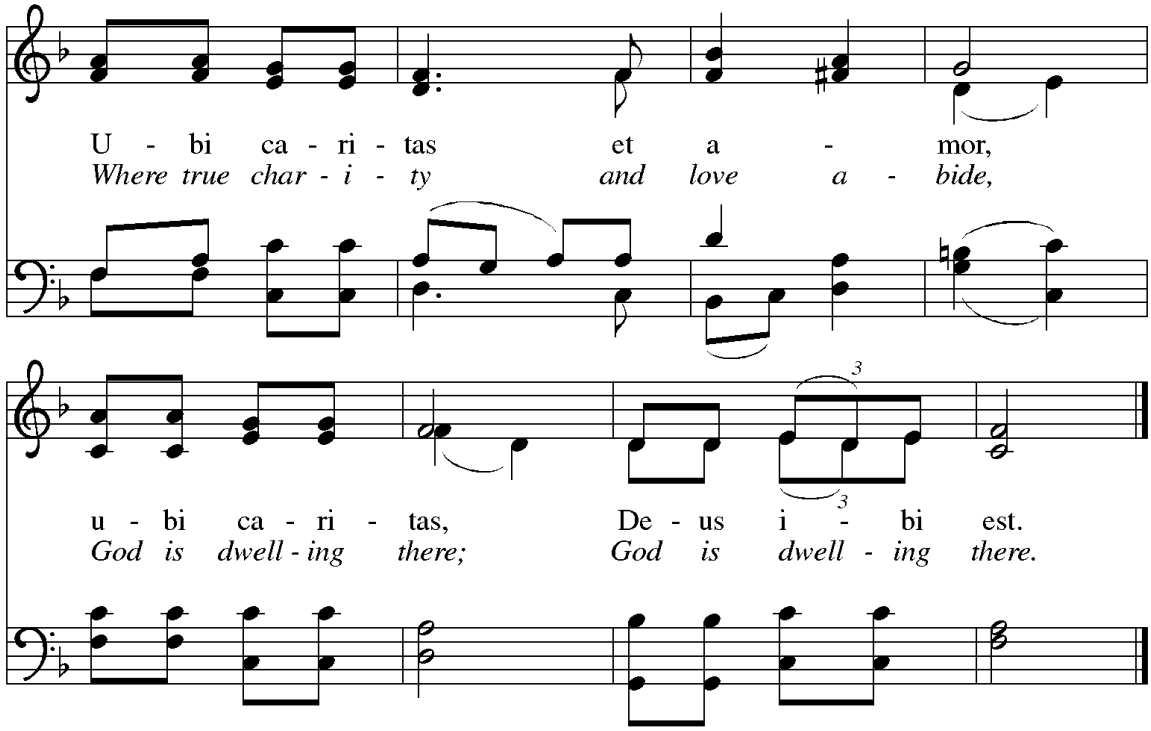
Just as Christ welcomes all people, all people are welcome at Christ's table here at CGS. We invite you to share holy communion regardless of your age, race, creed, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity, social status, physical ability or mental health.

There are gluten free wafers for those who need them; please just ask the pastor when you go forward. The small cups contain red wine and white grape juice. If you wish to receive a blessing instead, just let the pastor know when you come forward. Take your time! Ask the pastor or communion server if you have any questions or needs.

LAMB OF GOD



UBI CARITAS ET AMOR



POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE AND PRAYER

Please rise in body or in spirit

Asst. Min. Let us pray. Compassionate God,

All **through the gifts of bread and wine our hearts are filled with the abundance of your love. Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal, may share your love freely, as you have shared with us. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit nourishing us now and forever. Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BENEDICTION

Please rise in body or spirit

Pastor Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, ☩ one God,
bless, heal, and hold you today and always.

All **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN • MY LIFE FLOWS ON IN ENDLESS SONG

DISMISSAL

Asst. Min. Go in peace, serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SVACG Immigration Team Meeting, August 9, 2:30-3:30pm
Next meeting is here at CGS in the Fireside Room. Come learn about the work that we've been doing to increase access to legal services for immigrants, direct aid, and other efforts.

Installation of Pr. Chuck at St. Mary & St. Martha, San Francisco, 8/15 at noon
Join us in celebrating that the church has again called Pastor Chuck Witschorik to ministry. A generous community member has sponsored a shuttle which will leave CGS at 10:00am, and arrive back at CGS around 3:30pm. Sign up for a spot in the shuttle on bulletin board by the end of the day so we know what size shuttle to hire.

Worship Time Change! Sunday, August 31st*9:00 AM*
Please note that for one Sunday only, worship will be held at 9:00 am on August 31st to allow CGS to march in the Silicon Valley Pride Parade (see below).

Silicon Valley Pride Parade, 8/31
Join us as CGS marches in the Silicon Valley Pride Parade and celebrates 39 years of being a safe and affirming place for the LGBTQ+ community. The parade starts at 10:30am, and we encourage members to carpool downtown immediately after our early church service.

Back-to-school adult ed: History of the Christian Church, Part II: Medieval Christianity
Join us as we explore the history of our church, spending six weeks on the medieval church,. This is the second in a series of four courses on church history, but you don't need to have taken the first to participate. If you were in the first class, please bring your book, as we will use it again! We will meet Tuesdays, from 6:30 – 8:00pm beginning on September 1st.

Special Congregational Meeting, September 6th, after worship
Vote on routine maintenance of CGS's governing documents. See the newsletter for details.

CGS Hosting SV Safe Parking in September
In partnership with other local institutions, CGS regularly hosts neighbors living in their cars so they have a safe place to sleep. We host again in this September; volunteers are needed. Signup via the newsletter. We're looking for evening check-in volunteers and home-cooked meals. Gas card donations can be made for our guests to the office.

God's Work, Our Hands Sunday, September 13th
Join Lutherans across the US as we celebrate the ELCA's national day of service! We are looking for volunteers to coordinate a project. Please talk with Sarah Janigian if you can help.

For more information:

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O Jesus, Joy of Loving Hearts
Text: attr. Bernard of Clairvaux; tr. Ray Palmer, alt.
Music: WALTON, W. Gardiner, *Sacred Melodies*

We Come to the Hungry Feast
Text: Ray Makeever
Music: HUNGRY FEAST, Ray Makeever
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Ubi caritas et amor (Where Charity and Love Abide)
Text: Latin antiphon; Taizé Community; tr. With One Voice
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My Life Flows On in Endless Song
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Liturgical Music: Now the Feast and Celebration
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