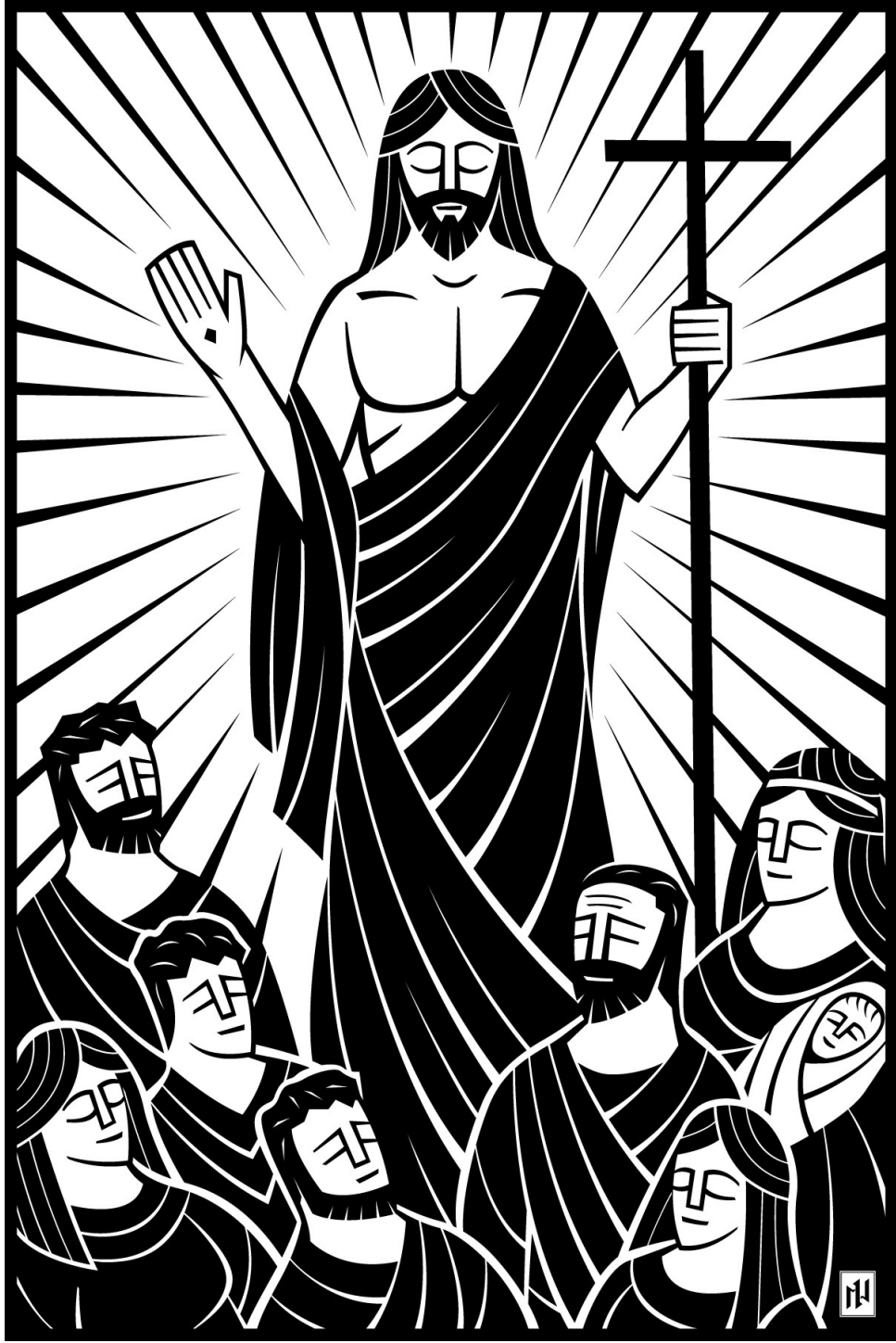
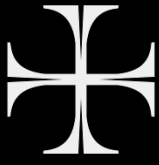




# St. Paul Lutheran Church

All Saints Sunday — November 6, 2022





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### Welcome Guests...

We are honored to have you with us here at St. Paul in Clintonville!

- **Guest Book:** Please sign our guest book near the doors to the worship area.
- **Restrooms:** If you need them, there are bathrooms just to the sides of the main entrance doors.
- **Children:** We are grateful and glad that they are here! If you feel the need to, you can take them to the parent's room or to the back gathering area. Let us know if there are other ways we can help you focus on the Word.
- **Changing Table:** If needed these are in the parent's room and downstairs restrooms.
- **Communion:** guests, please talk with our pastor before coming up for communion so that we can talk about what we believe about it first.

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## WE FEEBLY STRUGGLE; THEY IN GLORY SHINE

*We believe in "the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints" (Apostles' Creed). All with saving faith in Jesus as their Savior are holy. (Saint comes from the Latin word sanctus which means holy.) God grants the status of saint to all believers. Since sainthood is achieved through faith in Christ, we refer to believers as the invisible Church. Members are unknown to us since only God can see the heart. Furthermore, even if we knew the identity of each saint on earth, they would not look all that different from the rest of mankind. Believers still struggle with trials, temptations, and sin. Nor does membership in the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints make life easier. In some ways it makes life more difficult as we struggle against a world that is hostile towards Christ. However, some members of the communion of saints no longer struggle with trial and sin.*

### Vision

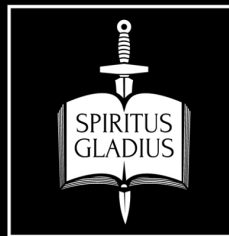
Our passion for the Gospel will make us the chosen place of worship in our community.

### Mission

We will share the life giving and inerrant Word of God as written in the Bible.

### Core Values

We will proclaim the law and the gospel so that all may have eternal life.



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The Bible translation used in today's service is NIV 11.

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## —Service Setting One—

*the full order of service with music parts can be found in the hymnal starting on page 154*

### Hymn

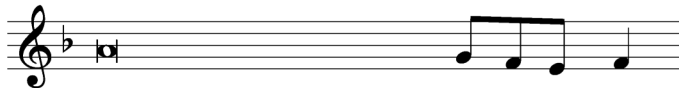
I'm But a Stranger Here

- 1 I'm but a stranger here;  
Heav'n is my home.  
Earth is a desert drear;  
Heav'n is my home.  
Danger and sorrow stand  
Round me on ev'ry hand.  
Heav'n is my fatherland;  
Heav'n is my home.
  
- 2 What though the tempest rage,  
Heav'n is my home.  
Short is my pilgrimage;  
Heav'n is my home.  
And time's wild, wintry blast  
Soon shall be overpast;  
I shall reach home at last;  
Heav'n is my home.
  
- 3 There at my Savior's side --  
Heav'n is my home.--  
I shall be glorified;  
Heav'n is my home.  
There are the good and blest,  
Those I love most and best,  
And there, I, too, shall rest;  
Heav'n is my home.
  
- 4 Therefore I murmur not;  
Heav'n is my home.  
Whate'er my earthly lot,  
Heav'n is my home.  
And I shall surely stand  
There at my Lord's right hand.  
Heav'n is my Fatherland;  
Heav'n is my home.





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.



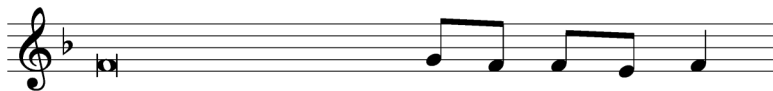
**Lord, have mer - cy.**



For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us



pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**

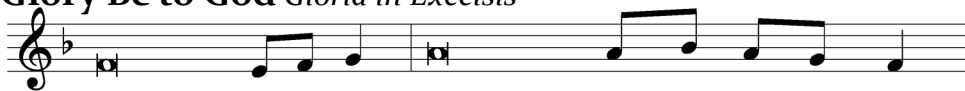


Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra - cious Lord.



**A - men.**

## Glory Be to God *Gloria in Excelsis*



Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.



We praise you, we bless you, we wor - ship you, we glorify you,



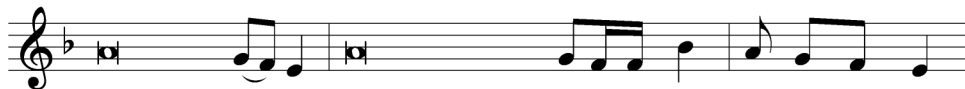
we give thanks to you, for your great glory, O Lord God, heav'n-ly King,



God the Fa-ther Al - mighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Je-sus Christ;



O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sin of the world;



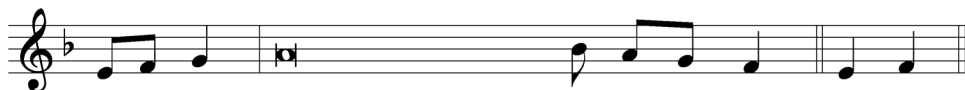
have mercy on us. You take away the sin of the world; re-ceive our prayer.



You sit at the right hand of God the Father; have mercy on us.



For you on-ly are holy; you on-ly are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the



Ho - ly Spirit, are most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

## Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have knit your people together into one holy Church, the body of Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow the example of your blessed saints in lives of faith and willing service and with them at last inherit the inexpressible joys that you have prepared for those who love you; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen**

## **First Reading** *Revelation 21:1-6*

*St. John is allowed to see the home of the saints triumphant.*

<sup>1</sup>Then I saw “a new heaven and a new earth,” for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and there was no longer any sea. <sup>2</sup>I saw the Holy City, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride beautifully dressed for her husband. <sup>3</sup>And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “Look! God’s dwelling place is now among the people, and he will dwell with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God. <sup>4</sup>He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death’ or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away.”

<sup>5</sup>He who was seated on the throne said, “I am making everything new!” Then he said, “Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true.”

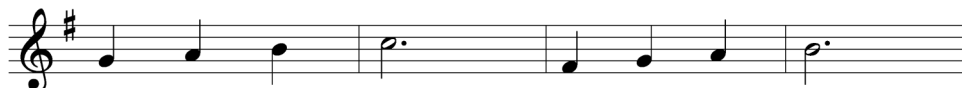
<sup>6</sup>He said to me: “It is done. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. To the thirsty I will give water without cost from the spring of the water of life.

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**



# Psalm 149 sung in unison

## Refrain



Sing to the LORD, sing a new song.



Al - le - lu - ia! Praise the LORD!

## Verses



- 1 Sing praise to the LORD, come sing a new song;
- 2 With tim - brel and harp and joy - ful ac - claim,
- 3 In glo - ry ex - ult, you saints of the LORD;
- 4 For this is God's word: the saints shall not fail,



a - mid all the saints God's prais - es pro - long;  
with danc - ing and song give praise to God's name;  
with songs in the night high prais - es ac - cord;  
but o - ver the earth their faith shall pre - vail;



let Is - rael be glad in their mak - er and sing,  
for God in the faith - ful great plea - sure will seek,  
go forth in God's ser - vice, be strong in his might  
all king - doms and na - tions shall yield to their sword—



let all Zi - on's peo - ple re - joice in their King.  
with robes of sal - va - tion a - dorn - ing the meek.  
to con - quer all e - vil and stand for the right.  
thus God shows great glo - ry, sing praise to the LORD.



## **Second Reading** *Hebrews 11:32-40*

*For countless saints, their Christian faith was the cause of pain and even death. They faced persecution and death with courage because they knew God had planned something better.*

<sup>32</sup>And what more shall I say? I do not have time to tell about Gideon, Barak, Samson and Jephthah, about David and Samuel and the prophets, <sup>33</sup>who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, and gained what was promised; who shut the mouths of lions, <sup>34</sup>quenched the fury of the flames, and escaped the edge of the sword; whose weakness was turned to strength; and who became powerful in battle and routed foreign armies. <sup>35</sup>Women received back their dead, raised to life again. There were others who were tortured, refusing to be released so that they might gain an even better resurrection. <sup>36</sup>Some faced jeers and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. <sup>37</sup>They were put to death by stoning; they were sawed in two; they were killed by the sword. They went about in sheepskins and goatskins, destitute, persecuted and mistreated—<sup>38</sup>the world was not worthy of them. They wandered in deserts and mountains, living in caves and in holes in the ground.

<sup>39</sup>These were all commended for their faith, yet none of them received what had been promised, <sup>40</sup>since God had planned something better for us so that only together with us would they be made perfect.

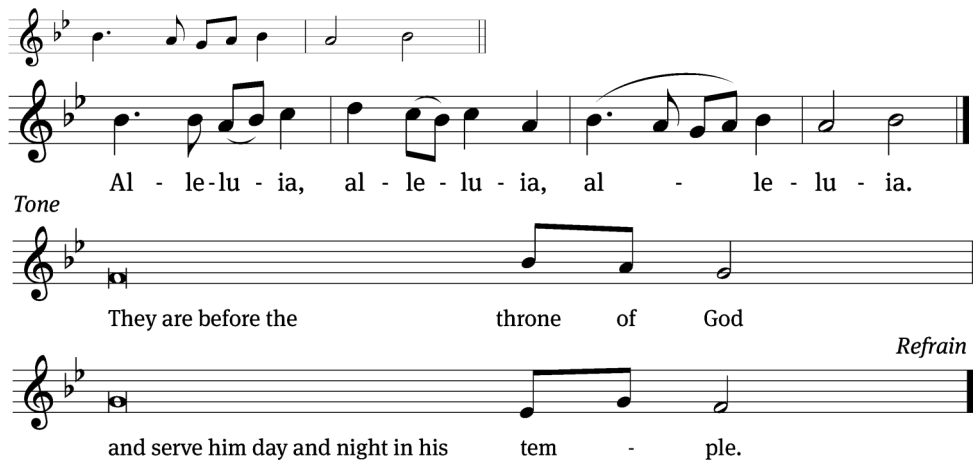
The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **Song** *by Sunday School*

*I've got peace like a river, in my soul  
I've got joy like a fountain, in my soul  
I've got love like an ocean, in my soul*

## Gospel Acclamation *Luke 14:11*



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

*Tone*

They are before the throne of God

*Refrain*

and serve him day and night in his temple.

## Gospel Reading *Luke 6:20-23*

*Jesus teaches that the blessedness of being God's saint is currently hidden from sight. Yet, one day, that blessedness will be revealed.*

<sup>20</sup>Looking at his disciples, he said:

“Blessed are you who are poor,  
for yours is the kingdom of God.

<sup>21</sup>Blessed are you who hunger now,  
for you will be satisfied.

Blessed are you who weep now,  
for you will laugh.

<sup>22</sup>Blessed are you when people hate you,  
when they exclude you and insult you  
and reject your name as evil,  
because of the Son of Man.

<sup>23</sup>“Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, because great is your reward in heaven. For that is how their ancestors treated the prophets.

The Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise be to you, O Christ!**

# Hymn 889

# Jerusalem the Golden



1 Je - ru - sa - lem the gold - en, with milk and hon - ey blest—  
2 O sweet and bless - ed coun - try, the home of God's e - lect!  
3 The Christ is ev - er with them, the day-light is se - rene;



the sight of it re - fresh - es the wea - ry and op - pressed.  
O sweet and bless - ed coun - try that ea - ger hearts ex - pect,  
the pas - tures of the bless - ed are ev - er rich and green.



I know not, oh, I know not what joys a - wait us there,  
where they who with their lead - er have con - quered in the fight  
There is the throne of Da - vid, and there, from care re - leased,



what ra - dian - cy of glo - ry, what bliss be - yond com - pare:  
for - ev - er and for - ev - er are clad in robes of white:  
the shout of them that tri - umph, the song of them that feast.



to sing the hymn un - end - ing with all the mar - tyr throng,  
in mer - cy, Je - sus, bring us to that dear land of rest  
To God en - throned in glo - ry the Church's voic - es blend,



a - midst the halls of Zi - on re - sound - ing full with song.  
where sings the host of heav - en your glo - rious name to bless.  
the Lamb for - ev - er bless - ed, the Light that knows no end.

**Sermon** *Revelation 21:1-6*

# *Get Excited for New*

## Sermon Response *hymn 884*

*Lord, When Your Glory I Shall See*



Lord, when your glo - ry I shall see and taste your king-dom's  
plea - sure, your blood my roy - al robe shall be, my  
joy be - yond all mea - sure! When I ap - pear be - fore your  
throne, your right - eous - ness shall be my crown; with  
these I need not hide me. And there, in gar - ments rich - ly  
wrought, as your own bride I shall be brought, to  
stand in joy be - side you.

## Confession of Faith *Nicene Creed*

*The Nicene Creed was written around A.D. 325 in defense of the true Christian faith. This creed was created to fight false teachings some were teaching.*

*The Nicene Creed can be found on page 162 of the hymnal.*

## Prayer of the Church *for All Saints' Day*

With grateful hearts, Lord,

**We remember before you this day...**

That great cloud of witnesses whose living trust in you, recorded in your Word, becomes an example for us to imitate and follow.

**Inspire us as we remember them and grant us your blessing.**

With grateful hearts, Lord,

**We remember before you this day...**

The reformers and confessors who faced the terror of church and empire but stood firm in your truth because they were moved by grace, empowered by faith, and guided by Scripture.

**Inspire us as we remember them and grant us their courage.**

With grateful hearts, Lord,

**We remember before you this day...**

Your faithful followers of every age—among them our parents and grandparents and our mentors and models—whom your Spirit called, gathered, enlightened, and sanctified to be your holy Church and by whose faithful words and deeds the gospel of your grace arrived also to us.

**Inspire us as we remember them and grant us their resolve.**

With grateful hearts, Lord,

**We remember before you this day...**

Those we have known who endured uncommon handicaps, chronic illnesses, and severe hardships yet followed you in simple faith and lived their lives with patience and persistence.

**Inspire us as we remember them and grant us their joy.**

*[We especially remember before you this day... ]*

With grateful hearts, Lord,

**We remember before you this day...**

Our own loved ones whose memories still burn within our hearts, whom you have called in your good time from their labors in life to that life which knows no end.

**Inspire us as we remember them and grant us their reward.**

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

*Silent prayer*

Empower us, Lord, to carry on the work you gave to your people of the past, trusting your Son, holding to your Word, confessing your truth, loving the lost, reaching out with your love, until you call us, too, by your great grace in Jesus Christ, to join them where memories are swallowed up in everlasting joy.

**Amen.**

## Offering

*Our offering is our reaction to God's Word. Do not feel obligated to give here, we are just thankful you are here. Your offerings here support the ministry here at this church, along with the mission work of our larger synod.*

## The Sacrament



The Lord be with you.



**And al - so with you.**



Lift up your hearts.



**We lift them up to the Lord.**



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



**It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who preserves his Church to the end of time, when he will come again as king to judge all people and take his own to glory. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

**Holy, Holy, Holy** *music for this song is on page 167 of the hymnal*



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of heav - en - ly hosts:  
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na, ho -  
san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he,  
bless - ed is he, bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

We give thanks to you, O God, through your dear Son, Jesus Christ, whom you sent to be our Savior, our Redeemer, and the messenger of your grace. Through him you made all things; in him you are well pleased. He is the incarnate Word, conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. To fulfill your promises, he stretched out his hands on the cross and released from eternal death all who believe in you.

As we remember Jesus' death and resurrection, we thank you that you have gathered us together to receive your Son's body and blood. Send us your Spirit, unite us as one, and strengthen our faith so that we may praise you in your Son, Jesus Christ. Through him, we glorify and honor you, O God our Father, with the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.  
**Amen.**

**The Lord's Prayer** *the prayer our Savior taught us*

## **Words of Institution**

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my + body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, “Drink from it, all of you; this is my + blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**Amen.**

**O Christ, Lamb of God** *music for this song is on page 169 of the hymnal*

O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;  
have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God,  
you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.  
O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;  
grant us your peace. A - men.

**Distribution of the Sacrament**

**Our Practice of Close Communion**

Based on the words of Scripture, we believe that partaking in the Sacrament of Holy Communion is one of the highest forms of fellowship we have this side of heaven—both with our Risen Savior and with our fellow believers. By partaking in the sacrament, we confess that we believe what this congregation teaches and confesses. Because we don't want to put anyone in the uncomfortable position of having to state their full agreement with us before we've had an opportunity to explain it to them, we respectfully ask that only those who are communicant members of this congregation or another WELS or ELS congregation come forward to receive the Sacrament. If you would like further explanation of our practice, Pastor Rothfuss would be more than willing to explain after the worship service.

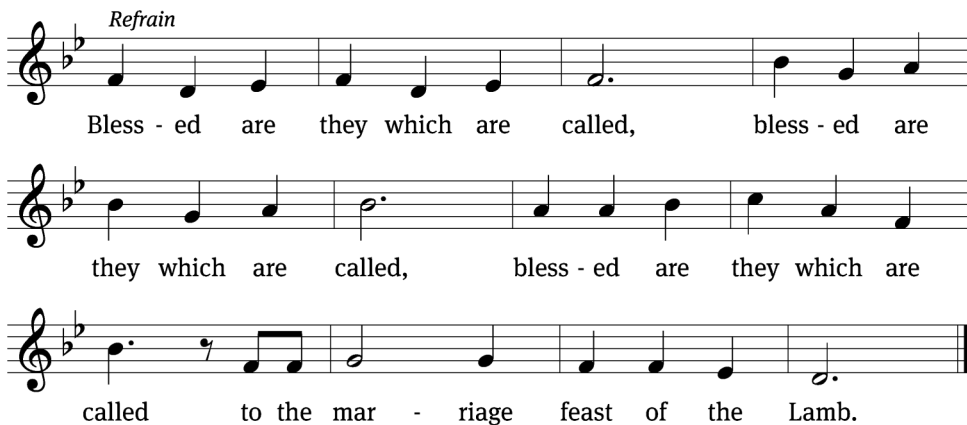




# Hymn 886

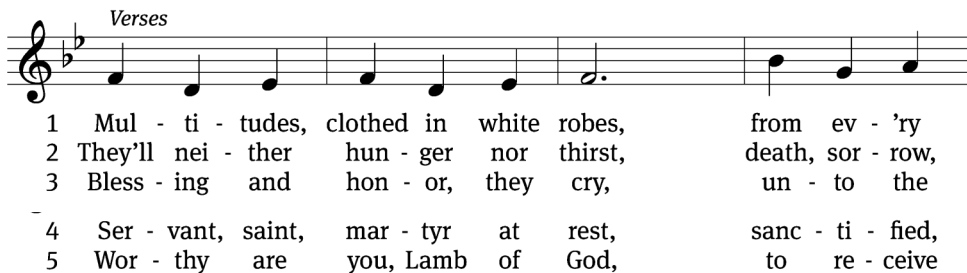
# Blessed Are They

*Refrain*

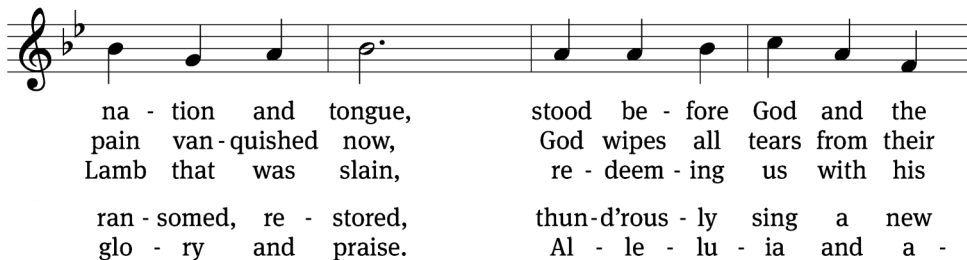


Bless - ed are they which are called,      bless - ed are  
 they which are called,      bless - ed are they which are  
 called      to the mar - riage feast of the Lamb.

*Verses*



1 Mul - ti - tudes, clothed in white robes,      from ev - 'ry  
 2 They'll nei - ther hun - ger nor thirst,      death, sor - row,  
 3 Bless - ing and hon - or, they cry,      un - to the  
 4 Ser - vant, saint, mar - tyr at rest,      sanc - ti - fied,  
 5 Wor - thy are you, Lamb of God,      to re - ceive



na - tion and tongue,      stood be - fore God and the  
 pain van - quished now,      God wipes all tears from their  
 Lamb that was slain,      re - deem - ing us with his  
 ran - somed, re - stored,      thun - d'rous - ly sing a new  
 glo - ry and praise.      Al - le - lu - ia and a -



Lamb      at the mar - riage feast of the Lamb.  
 eyes      by the mar - riage feast of the Lamb.  
 blood      in the mar - riage feast of the Lamb. *Refrain*  
 song      of the mar - riage feast of the Lamb.  
 men      for the mar - riage feast of the Lamb! *Refrain*

## **Thanksgiving**

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;  
**his mercy endures forever.**

Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup,  
**we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.**

We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this saving gift. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## **Blessing** *the Benediction*

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and ✝ give you peace.

**Amen.**



# Hymn 837

# When Will I Walk



1 When will I walk the shin - ing streets of gold  
2 When will I wear the robe of bril - liant white  
3 When will I win what Je - sus won for me—



which lie be - hind the mas - sive gates of pearl,  
and raise a - loft the vic - tor's branch of palm,  
a par - a - dise of rest - ful, won - drous peace,



where saints tri - um - phant live in bliss un - told,  
where long - for - got - ten is the no - ble fight  
where day is bright and night will nev - er be,



and all a - round the al - le - lu - ias swirl?  
and glass - y seas be - tray a per - fect calm?  
and joy - ful - ness will ev - er - more in - crease?

## *Refrain*



My days, O Lord, are trou - ble - filled and few, and



I'm not home un - til I'm home with you.

