

St. Luke's Lutheran Church



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Sharing Jesus Christ's love with those around us.

Saturday, August 30, 2025 – 6:00 PM Sunday, August 31, 2025 – 8:30 AM

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TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
Divine Service 5 w/ Matins
(Series C)

WELCOME

We are glad you are here to worship our Savior with us. Please remember to turn your cell phone to silence. Restrooms are on the west side of the sanctuary. Prayer requests can be submitted to the church office through email, office@stlukesmanhattan.org, or by calling 785-539-2604. On Communion Sundays, if you need non-gluten wafers at communion, or need to have communion brought to you, please notify the elder who is serving. We hope you will join us again so that you may experience Jesus.

AS WE GATHER

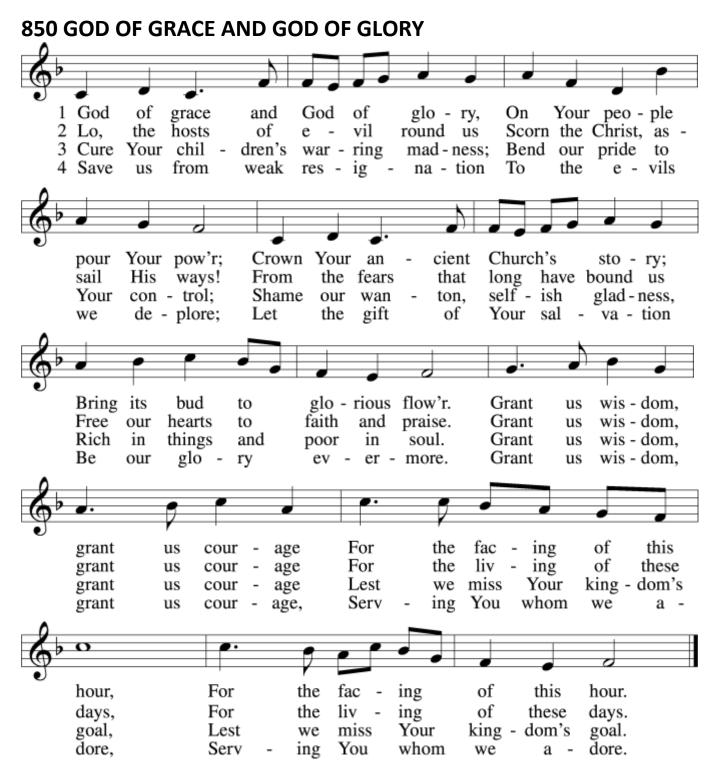
Finding one's right place in each setting can be a challenge of life in any society. In Bible times, it was important not only that people had seats in the right location; it was equally important that they sat down in the right sequence. The social guideline was this: at a session of study, precedence is to be given to wisdom; in reclining at a feast, to age. Jesus was a close observer of the earthly society in which He lived, including observing who sat where at a banquet table. He saw firsthand how limiting and restrictive some tables were when people were excluded from the feast. Contrasting those earthly tables, His description of the heavenly banquet was inclusive and expansive. He said to His followers, "Many will come from east and west and recline at table with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven" (Matthew 8:11). By faith, we look forward to that wonderful banquet. But anywhere that we can be at the Lord's Table is the right place to be for us—including here and now!

IMAGE ON THE COVER

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WELCOME

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Stand

The sign of the cross + may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

INVOCATION LSB 213

P In the name of the Father and of the

→ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

EXHORTATION *LSB 213*

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- who made heaven and earth.
- P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

CONFESSION OF SINS

LSB 213

- **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 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 LSB 214

- P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the
 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

MATINS LSB 219

P O Lord, open my lips,



and my mouth will de - clare Your praise.

P Make haste, O God, to deliver me;



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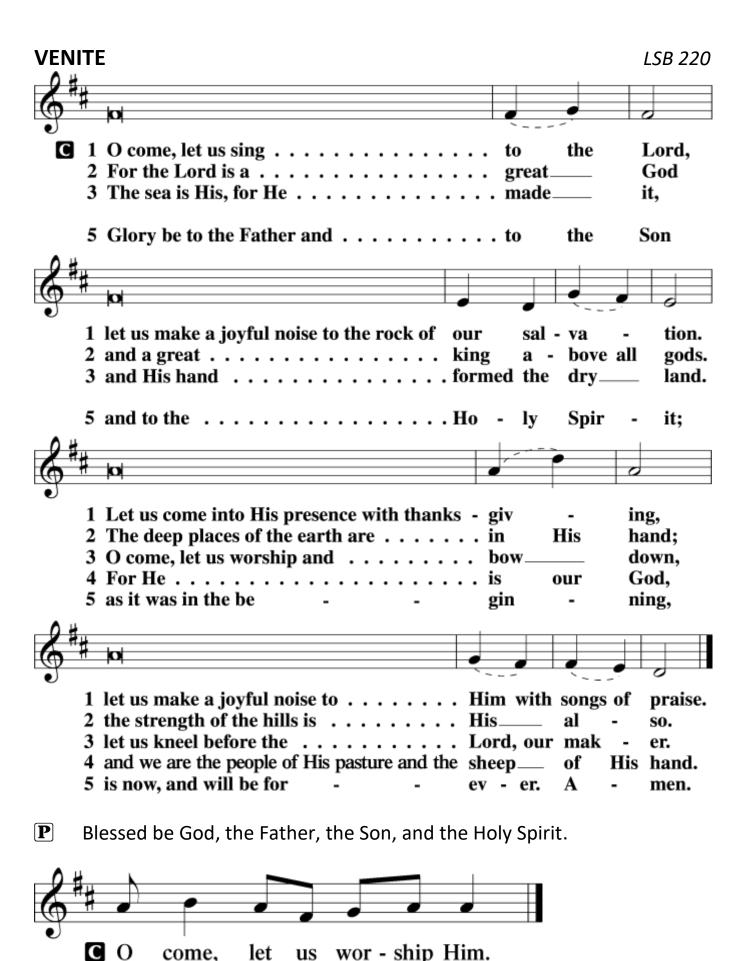
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P Blessed be God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Praise to You, O Christ.





SALUTATION

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Remember us, O Lord, not for what we deserve, but because You have begun Your good work in us. As You have called us to follow Your example of humble service, make us worthy of our calling; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Sit

SUMMER SAINT CELEBRATION SEQUENCE

Johann Rist, hymn writer, and all "unsung" saints

According to Christian tradition that goes back to the earliest days of the church, the proper day for remembering a saint was on the day that the person died—if that day was known. Selecting the date of a Christian's death as the day of remembrance was a celebration of their birth into the fullness of eternal life and a rejoicing at their heavenly homecoming. Among the multitude of Christians whose death and rebirth day was August 31 is Lutheran hymn writer Johann Rist, who died on this day in Wedel, Germany, in 1667. One of the most prolific Lutheran hymn writers of the seventeenth century, Pastor Rist authored more than 650 hymns during his lifetime. Included among his compositions are the classic Christmas chorale "Break Forth, O Beauteous Heavenly Light" (LSB 378) and stanzas of the Holy Week hymn "O Darkest Woe" (LSB 448). His texts for Holy Communion include "Lord Jesus Christ, Life-Giving Bread" (LSB 625) and "O Living Bread from Heaven" (LSB 642).

Although he was named Poet Laureate of the Empire and was invited to serve in large and prestigious congregations, Pastor Rist remained in his small German village, serving as both pastor and physician to the townspeople. In a typically humble statement about his hymn writing, Johann Rist stated "The sweet cross has squeezed many hymns out of me." Around the world the treasure of sacred texts he left as his legacy continues to be a blessing.

 \mathbf{A} Although there are many saintly people remembered by name on the church's list of feasts and festivals and roster of commemorations, there are countless men and women of faith whose names have been lost through the centuries. The text writers or the composers of many of the hymns we love to sing are unknown. We do not know who are the gifted craftsmen and women responsible for much of the beautiful Christhonoring sacred art and architecture of ages gone by. Yet their work for the Lord certainly merits our respect and appreciation. One of the more recent hymns of the church helps us honor those saints who are not known by name. Written by American clergyman Carl Daw in the twentieth century, the text reminds us that the courts of heaven are filled with saints who may not have been recognized fully during their earthly lives but who joyfully find fulfillment and lasting joy in the presence of the risen Christ, the host of the eternal feast. Together we join in the three stanzas of "We Sing for All the Unsung Saints."

678 WE SING FOR ALL THE UNSUNG SAINTS



- 1 We sing for all the un-sung saints, That count-less, name-less throng,
- 2 Though un in-scribed with date or place, With ti tle, rank, or name,
- 3 So we take heart from un-known saints Be reft of earth-ly fame,



Who kept the faith and passed it on With hope stead-fast and strong As liv - ing stones their sto-ries join To form a hal-lowed frame Those faith - ful ones who have re-ceived A more en - dur - ing name:



Through all the dai - ly griefs and joys No chron - i - cles re-cord, A - round the mys-t'ry in their midst: The Lamb once sac - ri-ficed, For they re-veal true bless - ing comes When we our pride ef-face



For - get - ful of their lack of fame, But mind - ful of their Lord. The Love that wrest-ed life from death, The wound-ed, ris - en Christ. And of - fer back our lives to be The ves - sels of God's grace.

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OLD TESTAMENT READING

(Guidelines for a blessed life)

- ²It is the glory of God to conceal things, but the glory of kings is to search things out. ³As the heavens for height, and the earth for depth, so the heart of kings is unsearchable. 4 Take away the dross from the silver, and the smith has material for a vessel; ⁵take away the wicked from the presence of the king, and his throne will be established in righteousness. ⁶Do not put yourself forward in the king's presence or stand in the place of the great, ⁷for it is better to be told, "Come up here," than to be put lower in the presence of a noble. What your eyes have seen ⁸do not hastily bring into court, for what will you do in the end, when your neighbor puts you to shame? ⁹Argue your case with your neighbor himself, and do not reveal another's secret, ¹⁰lest he who hears you bring shame upon you,
- **L** This is the Word of the Lord.

and your ill repute have no end.

C Thanks be to God.

- L ¹O LORD, my heart is not lifted up; my eyes are not raised too high;
- I do not occupy myself with things too great and too marvelous for me.
- L ²But I have calmed and quieted my soul, like a weaned child with its mother;
- **C** like a weaned child is my soul within me.
- L ³O Israel, hope in the LORD
- from this time forth and forevermore.
- Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.
- L ¹O LORD, my heart is not lifted up; my eyes are not raised too high;
- I do not occupy myself with things too great and too marvelous for me.

EPISTLEHebrews 13:1-17

(Living in God-pleasing ways)

¹Let brotherly love continue. ²Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for thereby some have entertained angels unawares. ³Remember those who are in prison, as though in prison with them, and those who are mistreated, since you also are in the body. ⁴Let marriage be held in honor among all, and let the marriage bed be undefiled, for God will judge the sexually immoral and adulterous. ⁵Keep your life free from love of money, and be content with what you have, for he has said, "I will never leave you nor forsake you." ⁶So we can confidently say,

"The Lord is my helper; I will not fear; what can man do to me?"

⁷Remember your leaders, those who spoke to you the word of God. Consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. ⁸Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. ⁹Do not be led away by diverse and strange teachings, for it is good for the heart to be strengthened by grace, not by foods, which have not benefited those devoted to them. ¹⁰We have an altar from which those who serve the tent have no right to eat. ¹¹For the bodies of those animals whose blood is brought into the holy places by the high priest as a sacrifice for sin are burned outside the camp. ¹²So Jesus also suffered outside the gate in order to sanctify the people through his own blood. ¹³Therefore let us go to him outside the camp and bear the reproach he endured. ¹⁴For here we have no lasting city, but we seek the city that is to come. ¹⁵Through him then let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his name. ¹⁶Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

¹⁷Obey your leaders and submit to them, for they are keeping watch over your souls, as those who will have to give an account. Let them do this with joy and not with groaning, for that would be of no advantage to you.

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

ALLELUIA AND VERSE

Luke 14:11

- L Alleluia. Everyone who exalts himself will be humbled,
- and he who humbles himself will be exalted. Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL Luke 14:1-14

(Jesus teaches about humble living)

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the fourteenth chapter.
- Glory to You, O Lord.

¹One Sabbath, when [Jesus] went to dine at the house of a ruler of the Pharisees, they were watching him carefully. ²And behold, there was a man before him who had dropsy. ³And Jesus responded to the lawyers and Pharisees, saying, "Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath, or not?" ⁴But they remained silent. Then he took him and healed him and sent him away. ⁵And he said to them, "Which of you, having a son or an ox that has fallen into a well on a Sabbath day, will not immediately pull him out?" ⁶And they could not reply to these things.

Now he told a parable to those who were invited, when he noticed how they chose the places of honor, saying to them, ⁸"When you are invited by someone to a wedding feast, do not sit down in a place of honor, lest someone more distinguished than you be invited by him, ⁹ and he who invited you both will come and say to you, 'Give your place to this person,' and then you will begin with shame to take the lowest place. ¹⁰But when you are invited, go and sit in the lowest place, so that when your host comes he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher.' Then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at table with you. ¹¹For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted."

¹²He said also to the man who had invited him, "When you give a dinner or a banquet, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, lest they also invite you in return and you be repaid. ¹³But when you give a feast, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, ¹⁴and you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you. You will be repaid at the resurrection of the just."

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to You, O Christ.

RESPONSORY LSB 221

L Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.



- Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glo-ry dwells.
- L Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it.



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L Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.



Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glo-ry dwells.

APOSTLES' CREED

- P God has made us His people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.
- I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life

→ everlasting. Amen.

Sit

LAMB'S MESSAGE

842 SON OF GOD, ETERNAL SAVIOR



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SERMON

VOTUM

- The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.
- C Amen.

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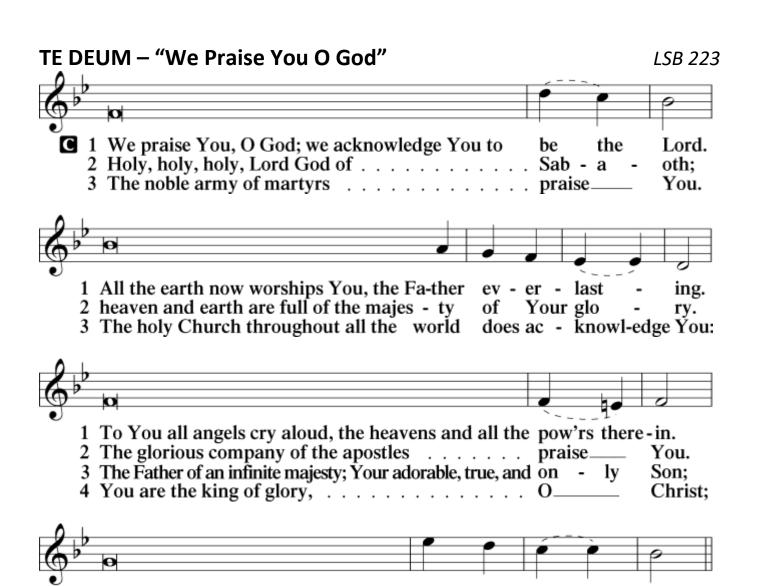
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2. Electronic Funds Transfer - Sign up through the church office.

Stand



1 To You cherubim and seraphim con - tin - ual - ly

2 The goodly fellowship of the proph-ets

3 also the Holy Ghost, the

4 You are the everlasting Son of

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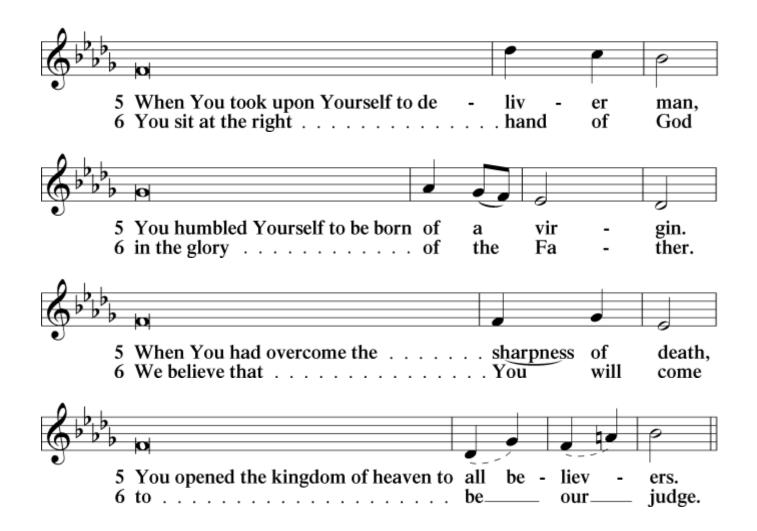
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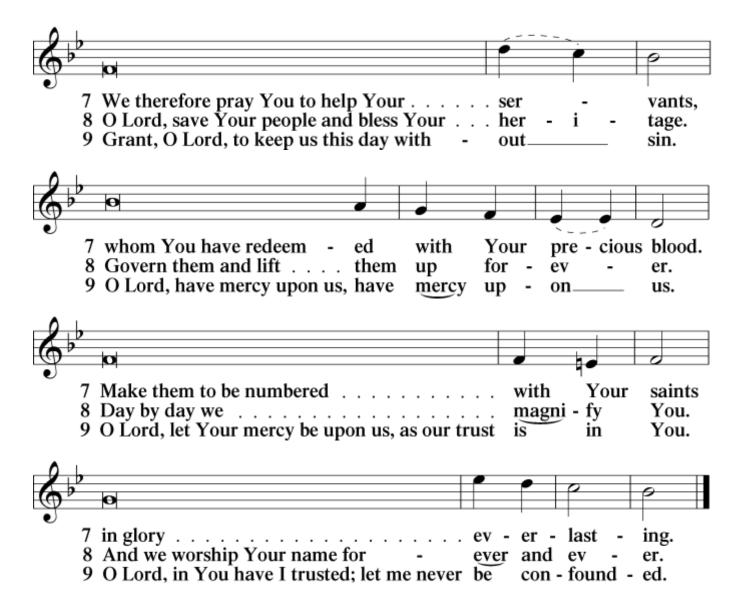
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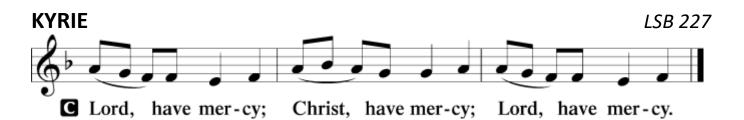
PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

For faith to treasure our place of honor at the table of the Lord, which He won for us through His humble sacrifice; and for boldness to spurn the foolish honors of this world, let us pray to the Lord:

- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- P For hearts that trust the love of Christ, that whenever we offend Him with our sins, we would quickly come to His house to receive forgiveness from the pastor as from God Himself, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.

- For God's Holy Church here and throughout the world, for all who confess the name of Christ, and for the unity of the Church in doctrine and practice, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For the family and the home, that it would be a place where we learn, care and extend God's love to one another; and that the Lord would visit and bless our homes and strengthen and restore our relationships through the healing power of forgiveness, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- P For our nation and those who lead us in this land; for those who serve on behalf of this people; for the nations, that justice and peace may reign; and for courage, that Christians may endure in faith in times of test, trial and persecution, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- P For all who pass through difficult circumstances: the lonely and the persecuted, the imprisoned and the addicted, those suffering from mental distress and those suffering from bodily affliction, [especially ________,] that they would know the comfort of the Lord's promise that He will never leave them or forsake them, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- P Hear us, heavenly Father, for the sake of Christ Jesus, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.



LORD'S PRAYER

 \mathbf{C}

P Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

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.

COLLECT FOR GRACE

P O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, You have safely brought us to the beginning of this day. Defend us in the same with Your mighty power and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger, but that all our doings, being ordered by Your governance, may be righteous in Your sight; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



BENEDICAMUS

P Let us bless the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.

BENEDICTION

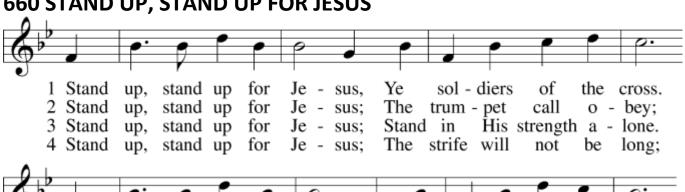
The grace of our Lord \(\frac{1}{2}\) Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.



GREET ONE ANOTHER

We greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "The Lord be with you," "Peace be with you," or "The peace of the Lord be with you".

660 STAND UP, STAND UP FOR JESUS



Lift high His roy - al ban - ner; It must not suf - fer loss. Stand forth in might - y con - flict In this His glo-rious day. of flesh will fail Ye dare not trust your The arm you, own. This the din The next the vic-tor's day of bat - tle, song.



From vic - t'rv un - to vic - t'ry His ar - my He shall lead His faith-ful serve Him A - gainst un-num-bered foes; Let all ar - mor; Each piece put on Put the Gos-pel with prayer. sol - diers, o - ver - com - ing, Their crown of life shall see



Till is van-quished, And Christ is ev - 'rv foe Lord in - deed. Let cour - age rise with dan - ger And strength to strength op - pose. want - ing there. Where du - ty calls or dan - ger, Be nev - er And with the King of Glo - ry Shall reign e - ter - nal - ly.

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