geneva lutheran church
"as you excel in all things... may you also excel in generosity." 2 COR. 8:7
generous life in Christ

Reformation
David and Bathsheba
October 24/25, 2026

PRELUDE ***Fanfare on EIN FESTE BURG*- Martin Luther setting James Pethel** Deborah Ayotte

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Create in me a clean heart, O God, **and renew a right spirit within me.**
Cast me not away from your presence, **and take not your Holy Spirit from me.**
Restore to me the joy of your salvation **and sustain me with your bountiful Spirit.**

CONFESSION

We confess our sins before God and one another.
Pause for silence and reflection.

Loving God, **Have mercy on us. We have failed to heed your call to lives of simplicity, love, service, and commitment to the flourishing of all creation. Draw us back to you, that we might center our lives on our relationship with you, and turn outwards in love for all that you have made. Amen.**

God reigns over all that is, and cherishes each and every one of us as beloved children. Know that your sins are forgiven. ☩ Go forth in that knowledge to serve and do justice in all the earth. In Jesus' holy name we pray. **Amen.**

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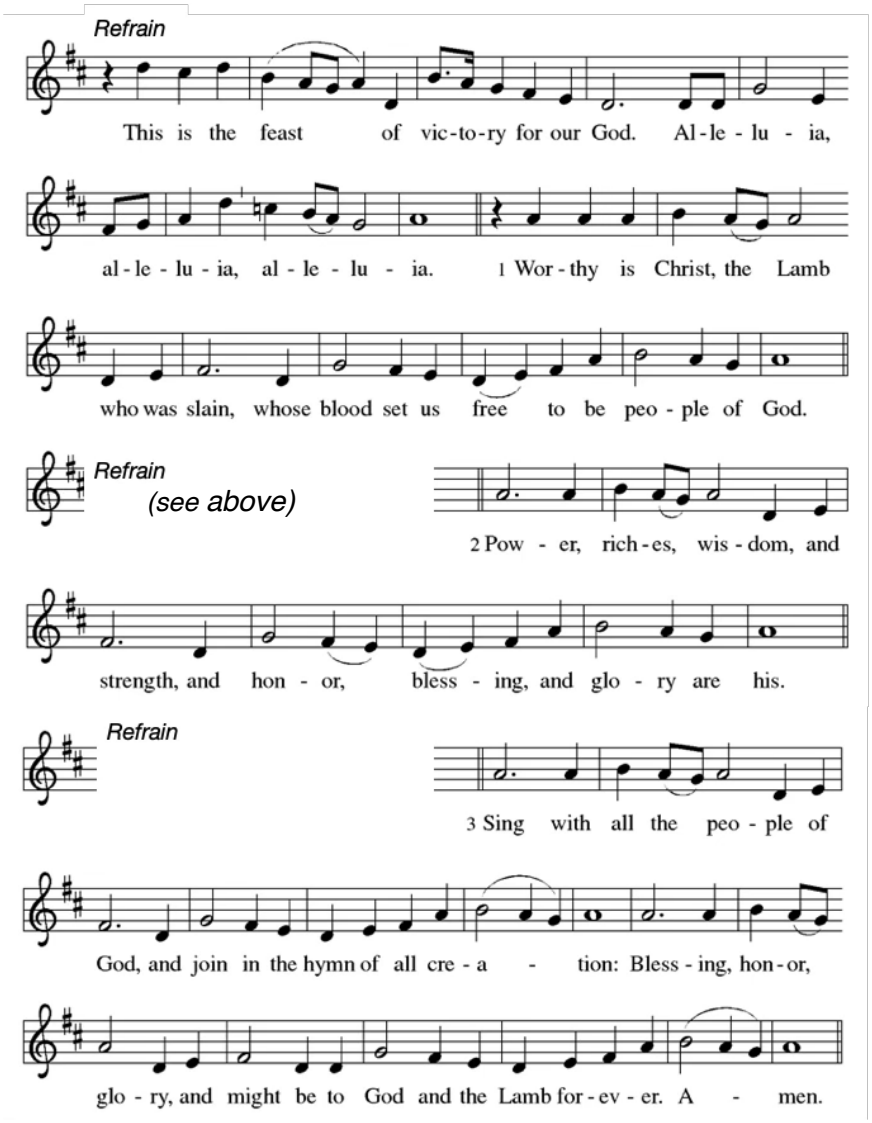
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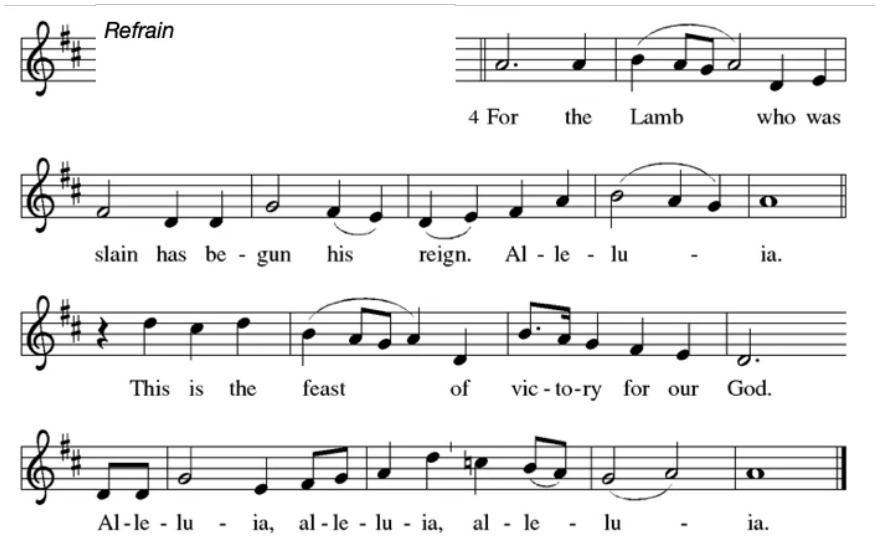
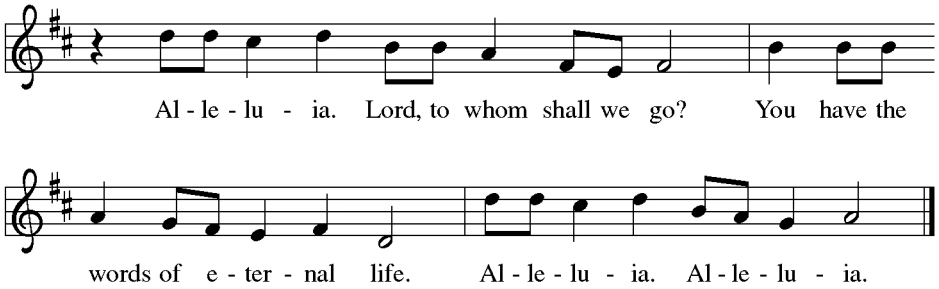


PRAYER OF THE DAY The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

God of forgiveness, **you showed your servant David the error of his ways, and forgave him for his sins. Forgive us, and help us to see how we might live differently to honor you. We pray these things in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

ACCLAMATION



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CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Pastor Amber Kalina

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

READING: Matthew 21:33-41 The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

PREACHING TEXT: 2 Samuel 11:1-5, 26-27; 12:1-9 Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON Vicar John Augustine, Pastoral Intern

SPECIAL MUSIC **"Have Mercy On Me" - Clayton White** Sanctuary Choir

OFFERING

Through your donations we are able to support the ministries of GLC including giving candy for Downtown Trick or Treating. Ten Percent of donations go beyond our walls. There are many ways you can give--place your offering in the plate at the back, put a check in the mail, text: 630-528-2407 with a dollar amount or give ***online***.

OFFERING PRAYER

Your church is composed of people like me. I help make it what it is. It will be friendly, if I am. Its pews will be filled, if I help fill them. It will do great work, if I work. It will make generous gifts to many causes, if I am a generous giver. It will be a place of forgiveness and grace, if I forgive and receive forgiveness. It will bring other people into its worship and fellowship, here and online, if I invite and bring them. It will be a church where people grow in faith and serve you, if I am open to such growth and service. Therefore, with your help Lord, I shall dedicate myself to the task of being all the things you want your church to be. Amen.

APOSTLES' CREED

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, and 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.

PRAYERS After each petition: God of mercy, **hear our prayer.**

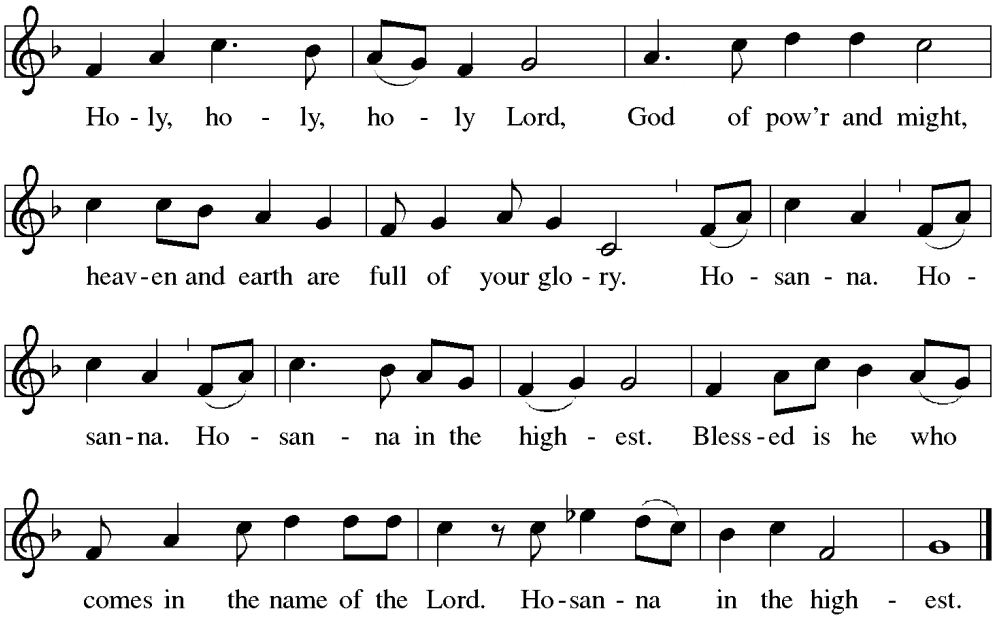
PEACE

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY ELW setting 3



EUCHARISTIC PRAYER I WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

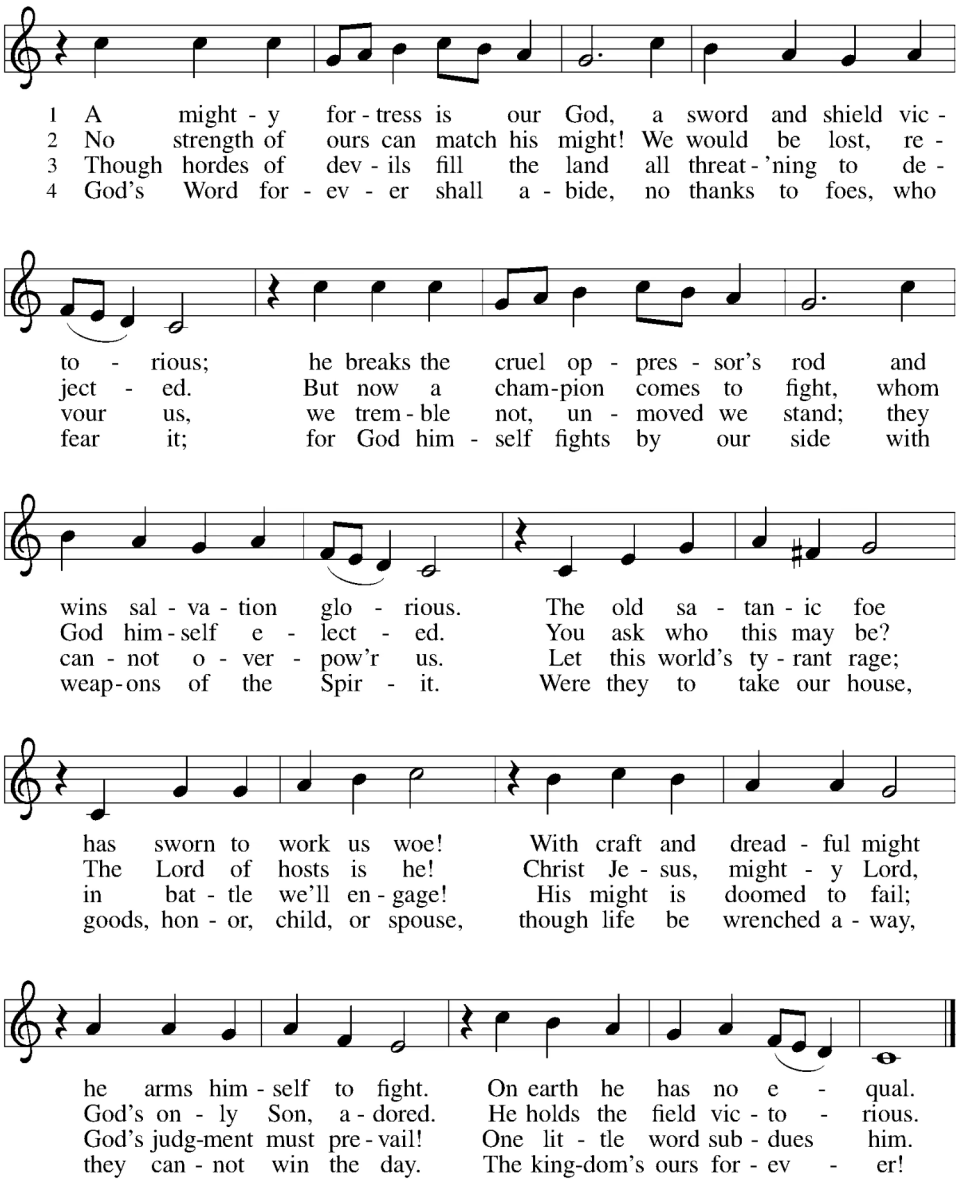
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

COMMUNION

We celebrate an open table: if you commune in another community, you are also welcome at this table. We commune by intinction: you receive bread in your hands and dip it in the wine in the silver chalices or grape juice in the white chalices. Gluten free hosts are also available.

LAMB OF GOD I COMMUNION HYMN *see insert*

PRAYER I ANNOUNCEMENTS I BENEDICTION

HYMN **"A Mighty Fortress is Our God"** ELW #504

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Music: EIN FESTE BURG, Martin Luther
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DISMISSAL Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

POSTLUDE ***The Heavens Declare The Glory Of God -*** Benedetto Marcello (1686-1739) Deborah Ayotte

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LAMB OF GOD

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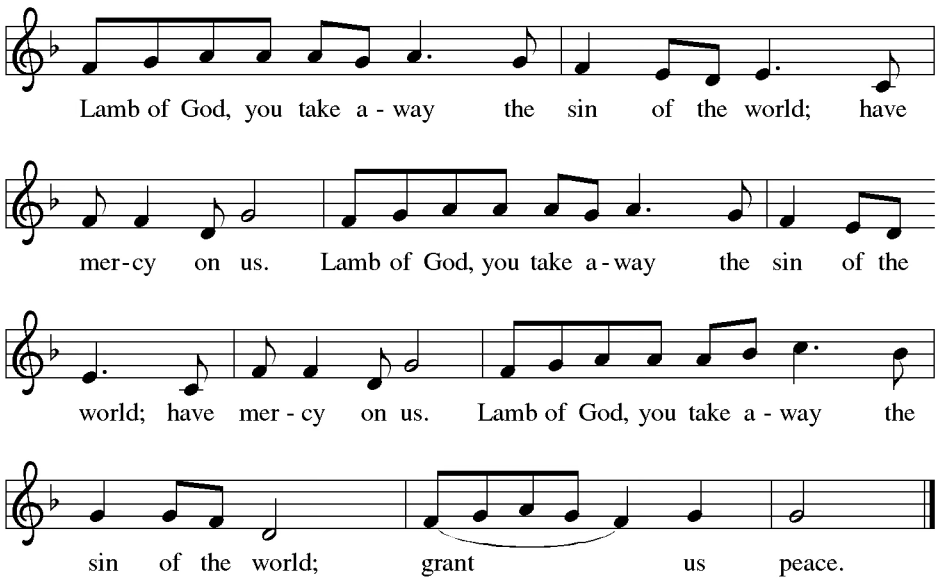

COMMUNION HYMN

"Just As I Am, without One Plea"

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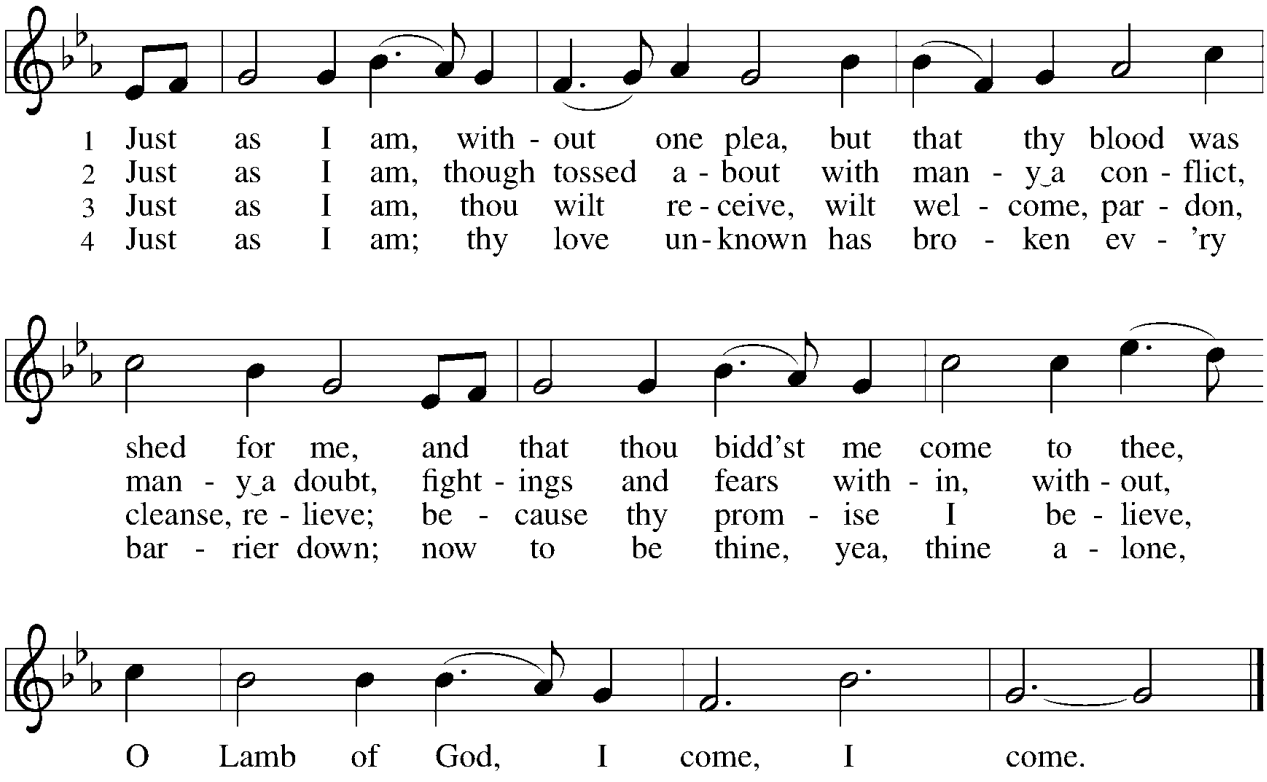

Text: Charlotte Elliott, 1789–1871
Music: WOODWORTH, William B. Bradbury, 1816–1868