bread & wine for the forgiveness of sins, life & salvation." With repentant hearts, we receive the body & blood of Jesus for the forgiveness of our sins. Consecrated grape juice and gluten-free wafers & are available. When instructed, receive the body and blood of Jesus in the pre-filled containers.

*Table Blessing

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace.
C: Amen.

*Closing Prayers

*Benediction

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, + and of the Holy Spirit.
C: Amen.

*Sending Hymn: "Go, My Children"—WOV #721

*Dismissal

P: Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.
C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

WORSHIP SERVANTS Tonight

Pianist: MarJean Damerval

Scripture Reader & Prayers: Julie Steffenson

Sound/Recording: Don Holtan

Set-up: Julie Steffenson Greeters: Bob & Marcia Harms

Take-down: Peg Holtan & Julie Steffenson

***Thanks** for worshiping with us this evening. Your presence is your gift to us. We pray that our Service of Worship is a blessing to you. Sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever, we are praising, proclaiming and practicing Emmanuel – God with us – in daily life! Sharing the WORD!*
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Emmanuel
Lutheran Church of Rochester

Worship—Eve of Pentecost 19
October 2, 2021
6:00 p.m.

With One Voice– Bread of Life Liturgy

** indicates stand as you are able*

Prelude

Welcome/Announcements

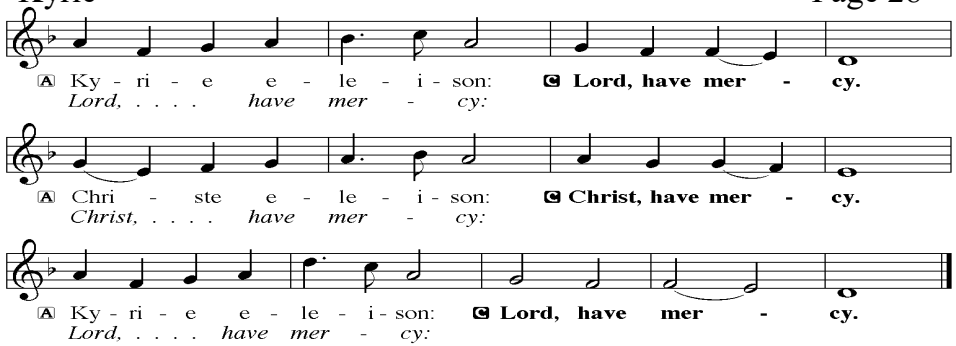
*Confession & Forgiveness

P: God has given us the ministry of reconciliation. Therefore, let us be reconciled to God and to one another. Gracious God,
C: Have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
P: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.
C: Amen.

*Gathering Hymn: "Blessed Assurance"—WOV #699

*Greeting Page 28
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.

*Kyrie Page 28



*Hymn of Praise: "Glory to God" (I - Women; II - Men) Page 29f

*Salutation and Prayer of the Day:

P: The Lord be with you.
C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray: Heavenly Father, generously pardon and give peace to your faithful people, that being cleansed from every sin, we may be free and glad to serve; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C: Amen.

First Lesson: Genesis 2:18-25

Psalm 128 (*Responsively*)

L: Blessed is everyone who fears the Lord, who walks in His ways!

C: You shall eat the fruit of the labor of your hands; you shall be blessed, and it shall be well with you.

L: Your wife will be like a fruitful vine within your house;

C: Your children will be like olive shoots around your table.

L: Behold, thus shall the man be blessed who fears the Lord.

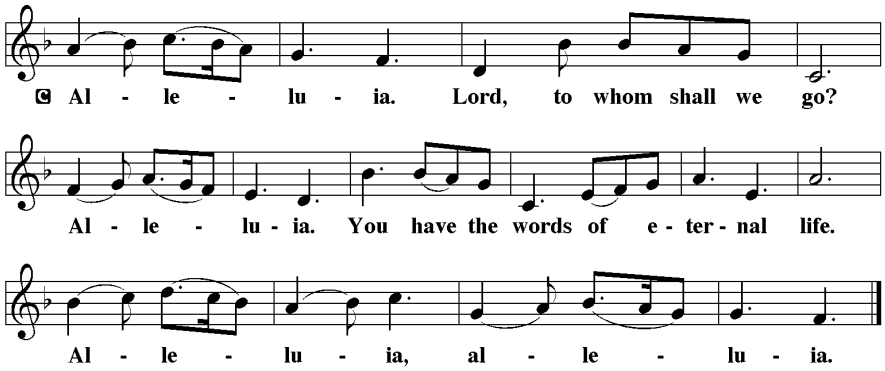
C: The Lord bless you from Zion!

L: May you see the prosperity of Jerusalem all the days of your life!

C: May you see your children's children! Peace be upon Israel!

Second Lesson: Hebrews 2:1-18

*Gospel Acclamation: "Alleluia" Page 31



*Holy Gospel: Mark 10:2-16

Children's Message: "Untying the Knot" (Posted on Facebook)

Sermon: "Rules & Relationships" Rev. David Steffenson

*Hymn of the Day: "When Love Is Found"—WOV #749

*Confession of Faith: "Apostles' Creed"

P: God has made us His people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit & born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, & is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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, & the life everlasting. Amen.

*The Peace

P: Sisters and brothers, rejoice. Mend your ways, encourage one another, agree with one another, live in peace. The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you. *(Sharing of God's peace may be done as an expression from the heart, without actual contact.)*

Offering (No passing of baskets; offerings may be placed in the basket located by the church entrance as one leaves; offerings of support may also be given electronically or sent via U.S. mail. Thanks for supporting the ministry of Emmanuel.)

*The Great Thanksgiving - Eucharistic Prayer

*Lord's Prayer: Traditional Version

Invitation & Distribution: ***Holy Communion is*** *the Lord's Supper for the Lord's People: "All are welcome to receive the Lord's Body and Blood who are baptized in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, & believe that Jesus Christ, crucified & risen, is truly present in, with & under the forms of*

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost: Marriage and family are a gift from God to be cherished and protected from negative influences. In our human sinfulness, we fail to care for our most valued relationships and instead get hung up on the questions of who's right & who's wrong. Fractured relationships are a reality of our broken lives, & even though Jesus understands, he points us to the blessings of the Kingdom of God.

Men's Bible Study: Men of Emmanuel Lutheran are meeting on Tuesday mornings at 8:30am via email; studying the Scripture Lessons for the upcoming weekend. Let Pastor Dave know if you would like the study notes. We will have In-Person studies on: **Wednesdays, October 6, 13 & 27 at 11am at Oasis!**

Coffee Fellowship: Once a month, members of Emmanuel are hosting & serving refreshments following worship. Deb Vomhof & Judy Caudill are hosting the October 23 Coffee Hour. Contact Pastor Dave if you would like to host a coffee hour in November. Judy Pearce has already volunteered for the month of December.

Emmanuel Nominating Committee. Contact Lee Pearce, Julie Steffenson, Heather Mikesh, or Leitha Bothun if you are looking for ways to serve Christ & His Church. *There are many ways to use your gifts for the glory of God*. **On the Ballot in January of 2022:** Council Member: 2-year term, 2 positions; Nominating Committee: 4 needed; 1 year term; Audit Committee Members: 2 needed; one 3-year term, & one 2-year term; & Voting Members for Convocations.

Saturday School this year! Stories on the **MIRACLES in the Bible** will be packaged in monthly sessions for youth age 4-grade 3. Youth in grades 4-8 are invited to join Pastor Dave in a reading of C.S. Lewis' **"The Lion, the Witch & the Wardrobe".** Pastor Dave is hosting a monthly Zoom Meeting for participating youth. Weekly instruction videos will be posted on Facebook.

Acts 4:31—The Church Prayed!

Each day at 4:31pm, Members & Friends of Emmanuel are connecting for prayer. Send prayer requests to Pastor Dave Steffenson. Thanks for joining us. At the name of Jesus, every knee shall bow and every tongue confess that Jesus is Lord to the glory of God the Father."

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The Emmanuel Weekly

Saturday, October 2, 2021
Eve of Pentecost 19—6pm

"Praising, Proclaiming & Practicing Emmanuel—God with us—in daily life!"

MARKS OF DISCIPLESHIP!

Faith Practices! Signposts guide our way: Disciples pray daily, worship weekly, grow spiritually, read & study Scripture on a regular basis, serve others, share the good news, and live & give generously.

Women's Study Begins!

On Wednesday, October 6 at 1pm a Bible Study on Women of the Bible begins! Location: Home of Judy Pearce with Leitha Bothun as the study leader. Contact Judy or Leitha with questions.

Save the Dates

Thanksgiving Eve Worship (Wednesday, November 24 at 2pm); Christmas Eve Worship (Friday, December 24 at 2pm).

Thrivent Choice Dollars

Got Thrivent Products? Don't forget to designate your Choice Dollars. Call #1-800-847-4836 or go online at www.thrivent.org. We've received $1,418.00 thus far in 2021.

The Oct. Emmanuel Epistle Newsletter & Prayer Calendar are available! Also, pick up your copy of Our Daily Bread Devotional for September - November.

CALENDAR ITEMS

- Saturday, Oct. 2 - Eve of Pentecost 19 Worship at 6pm with Communion
- Tuesday Oct. 5–Church Council Meeting at 2pm
- Wednesday, October 6 Men's Bible Study at 11am; Women's Bible Study Begins (1pm, home of Judy Pearce)
- Saturday, October 9 - Eve of Pentecost 20 Worship at 6pm
- *Pastor Dave on vacation October 14-21*
- Sunday, October 31 Reformation Sunday Prayer Walk (3pm)

4:31 — Prayer Time!
Thanks for joining us.

Genesis 2:18-25 — Naked and NOT Ashamed!

18 The Lord God said, “It is not good that the man should be alone; I
will make him a helper fit for him.” 19 Now out of the ground the Lord
God had formed every beast of the field and every bird of the heavens
and brought them to the man to see what he would call them. And
whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. 20 The
man gave names to all livestock & to the birds of the heavens & to every
beast of the field. But for Adam there was not found a helper fit for him.
21 So the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and while
he slept took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. 22 And
the rib that the Lord God had taken from the man he made into a woman
and brought her to the man. 23 Then the man said, “This at last is bone
of my bones and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called Woman, because
she was taken out of Man.” 24 Therefore a man shall leave his father &
his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh. 25
And the man and his wife were both naked and were not ashamed.

L: The Word of the Lord.
C: Thanks be to God.

Hebrews 2:1-18 — Jesus Shares His Glory

1 Therefore we must pay much closer attention to what we have heard,
lest we drift away from it. 2 For since the message declared by angels
proved to be reliable, and every transgression or disobedience received a
just retribution, 3 how shall we escape if we neglect such a great
salvation? It was declared at first by the Lord, and it was attested to us
by those who heard, 4 while God also bore witness by signs & wonders
& various miracles and by gifts of the Holy Spirit distributed according
to his will. 5 For it was not to angels that God subjected the world to
come, of which we are speaking. 6 It has been testified somewhere,
“What is man, that you are mindful of him, or the son of man, that you
care for him? 7 You made him for a little while lower than the angels;
you have crowned him with glory and honor, 8 putting everything in
subjection under his feet.” Now in putting everything in subjection to
him, he left nothing outside his control. At present, we do not yet see
everything in subjection to him. 9 But we see him who for a little while
was made lower than the angels, namely Jesus, crowned with glory and
honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he
might taste death for everyone. 10 For it was fitting that he, for whom
and by whom all things exist, in bringing many sons to glory, should
make the founder of their salvation perfect through suffering. 11 For he
who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one source. That is
why he is not ashamed to call them brothers, 12 saying, “I will tell of
your name to my brothers; in the midst of the congregation I will sing
your praise.” 13 And again, “I will put my trust in him.” And again,
“Behold, I and the children God has given me.” 14 Since therefore the
children share in flesh and blood, he himself likewise partook of the
same things, that through death he might destroy the one who has the
power of death, that is, the devil, 15 and deliver all those who through
fear of death were subject to lifelong slavery. 16 For surely it is not
angels that he helps, but he helps the offspring of Abraham. 17
Therefore he had to be made like his brothers in every respect, so that
he might become a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of
God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people. 18 For because he
himself has suffered when tempted, he is able to help those who are
being tempted.

L: The Word of the Lord.
C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading: Mark 10:2-16

L: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark the 10th. Chapter.
C: Glory to you, O Lord.

2 Pharisees came up and in order to test [Jesus] asked, “Is it lawful for
a man to divorce his wife?” 3 He answered them, “What did Moses
command you?” 4 They said, “Moses allowed a man to write a
certificate of divorce and to send her away.” 5 And Jesus said to them,
“Because of your hardness of heart he wrote you this commandment. 6
But from the beginning of creation, ‘God made them male & female.’
7 ‘Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother & hold fast to his
wife, 8 and the two shall become one flesh.’ So they are no longer two
but one flesh. 9 What therefore God has joined together, let not man
separate.” 10 And in the house the disciples asked him again about this
matter. 11 And he said to them, “Whoever divorces his wife & marries
another commits adultery against her, 12 and if she divorces her
husband & marries another, she commits adultery.” 13 And they were
bringing children to him that he might touch them, and the disciples
rebuked them. 14 But when Jesus saw it, he was indignant & said to
them, “Let the children come to me; do not hinder them, for to such
belongs the kingdom of God. 15 Truly, I say to you, whoever does not
receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it.” 16 And he
took them in his arms & blessed them, laying his hands on them.

L: The Gospel of the Lord.
C: Praise to you, O Christ.

L: Father, You appointed Jesus as our High Priest and elder brother. Form your Church into his temple and his home. Make it attentive & faithful to your Word. Use it to challenge and comfort us, for we struggle with sin and temptation. Let us take heart and cling to Jesus, who was tempted as we are, yet without sin. Grant that we may share his life forever. Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

L: Father, by ties of blood and faith, this congregation is a family. Help us to be your family, & to lovingly befriend and mentor new sisters and brothers in Christ. Give us boldness to invite, patience to teach, wisdom to counsel, kindness to embrace, & gentleness to encourage them. Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

L: Father, let all who suffer in mind, body or spirit find welcome and healing in our Savior's arms. We pray for [**NAMES**]. Grant them your grace, mercy and peace. Lord in your mercy,

C: Hear our Prayer.

P: Incline your ear to our prayers, dear Lord; & answer them according to your most gracious and holy will, for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

***Sending Hymn: "Go, My Children"—WOV #721**

1. Go, My children, with My blessing, Never alone.
Waking, sleeping, I am with you; You are My own.
In My love's baptismal river, I have made you Mine forever.
Go, My children, with My blessing–You are My own.

2. I the Lord will bless and keep you, And give you peace;
I the Lord will smile upon you, And give you peace:
I the Lord will be your Father, Savior, Comforter, & Brother.
Go, My children; I will keep you, And give you peace.

Hymns & Prayers

***Gathering Hymn: "Blessed Assurance"—WOV #699**

1. Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
Born of His spirit, washed in His blood.

Refrain: This is my story, this is my song,
Praising my Savior all the day long:
This is my story, this is my song,
Praising my Savior all the day long.

2. Perfect submission, perfect delight,
Visions of rapture now burst on my sight;
Angels descending, bring from above,
Echoes of mercy, whispers of love. ***Refrain***

***Hymn of the Day: "When Love Is Found"—WOV #749**

1. When love is found, and hope comes home,
Sing and be glad, that two are one.
When love explodes, and fills the sky,
Praise God, and share, our Maker's joy.

2. When love has flowered, in trust and care,
Build both each day, that love may dare,
To reach beyond, home's warmth and light,
To serve and strive, for truth and right.

3. Praise God for love, praise God for life,
In age or youth, in calm or strife.
Lift up your hearts! Let love be fed,
Through death and life, in broken bread.

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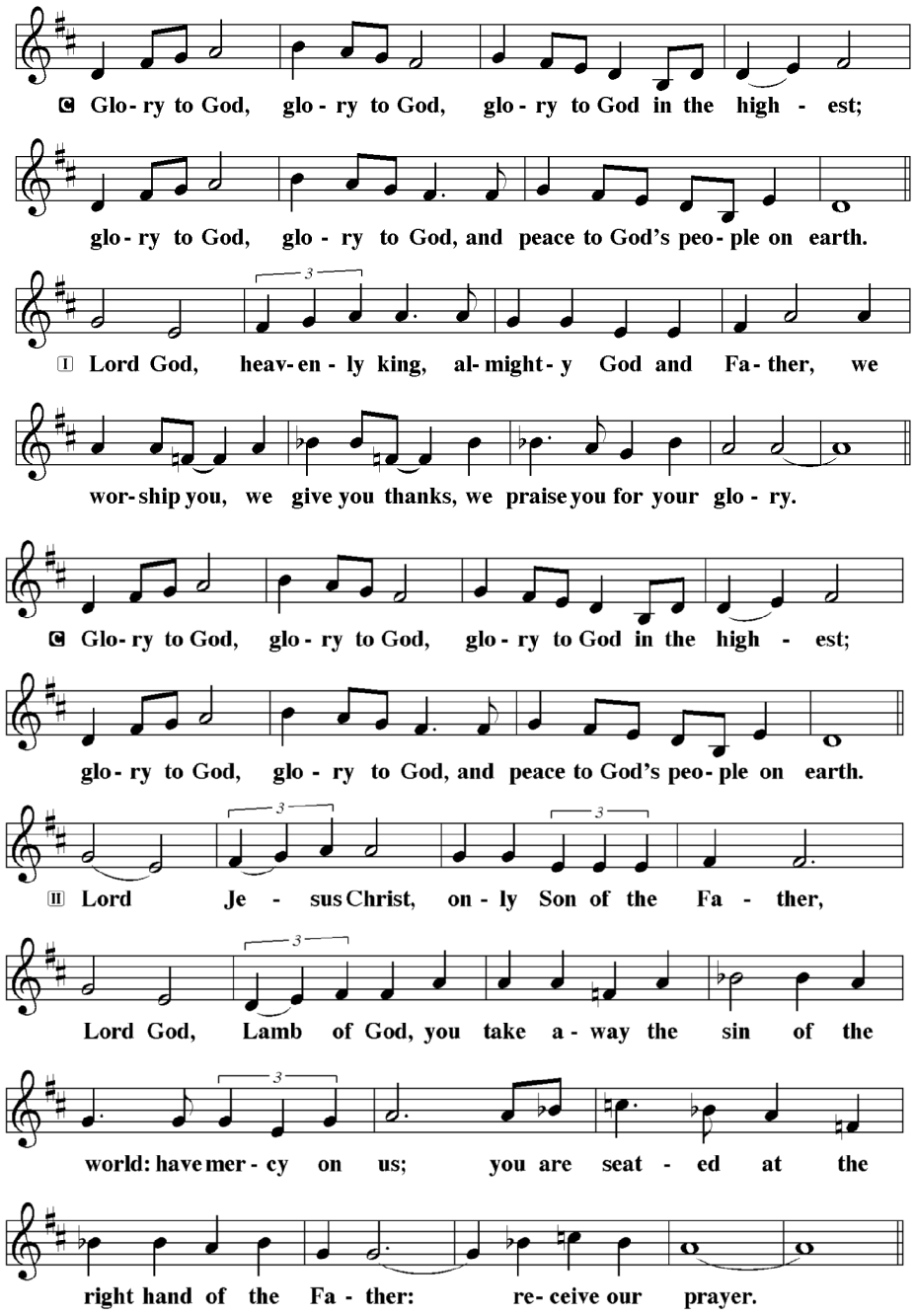

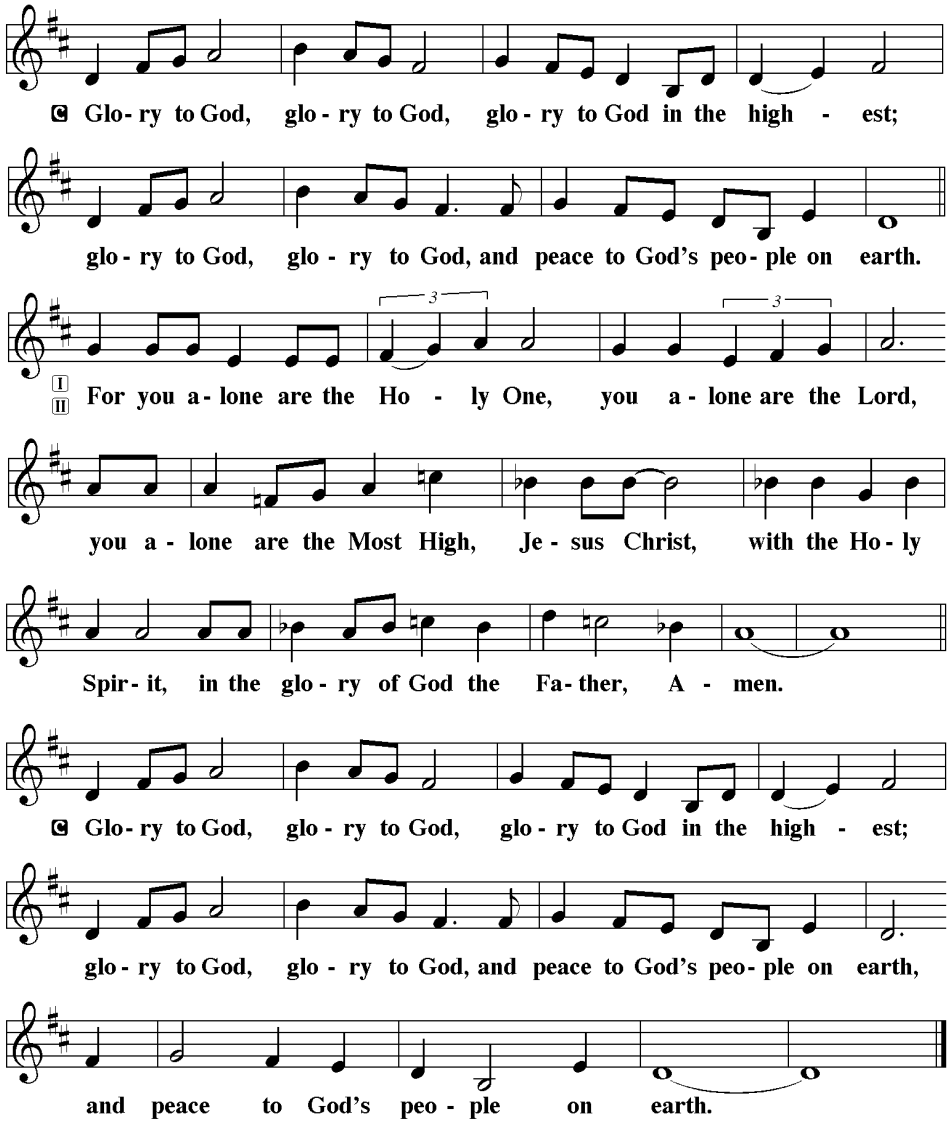

PRAYERS:

L: Thank you, dear Father, that we may call you Father, and Jesus Brother, and know each other as sisters and brothers, united to Jesus through your Holy Spirit. Thank you that this happens even when our earthly family is troubled or absent. Help us extend your family-love to all who need You most. Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.