HOLY TRINITY
ANGLICAN CHURCH

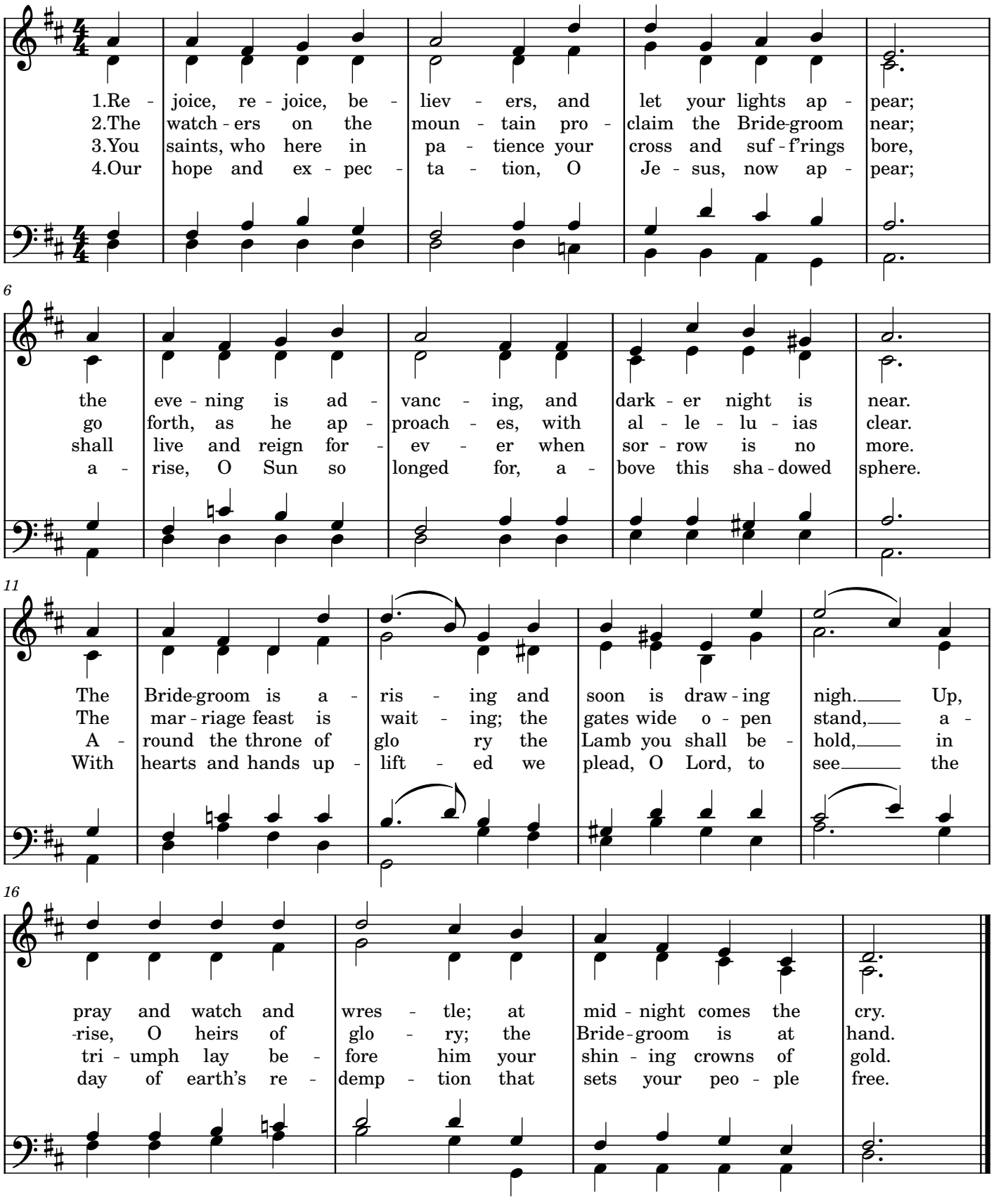
THE TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
NOVEMBER 8, 2026 - 10:30 AM

WELCOME - To all who are weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who are weak and desire strength; to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are lonely and want a home; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to all who will come, this church opens wide her doors and offers welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.



The Wise and the Foolish Virgin, Jan Adam Kruseman (1848)

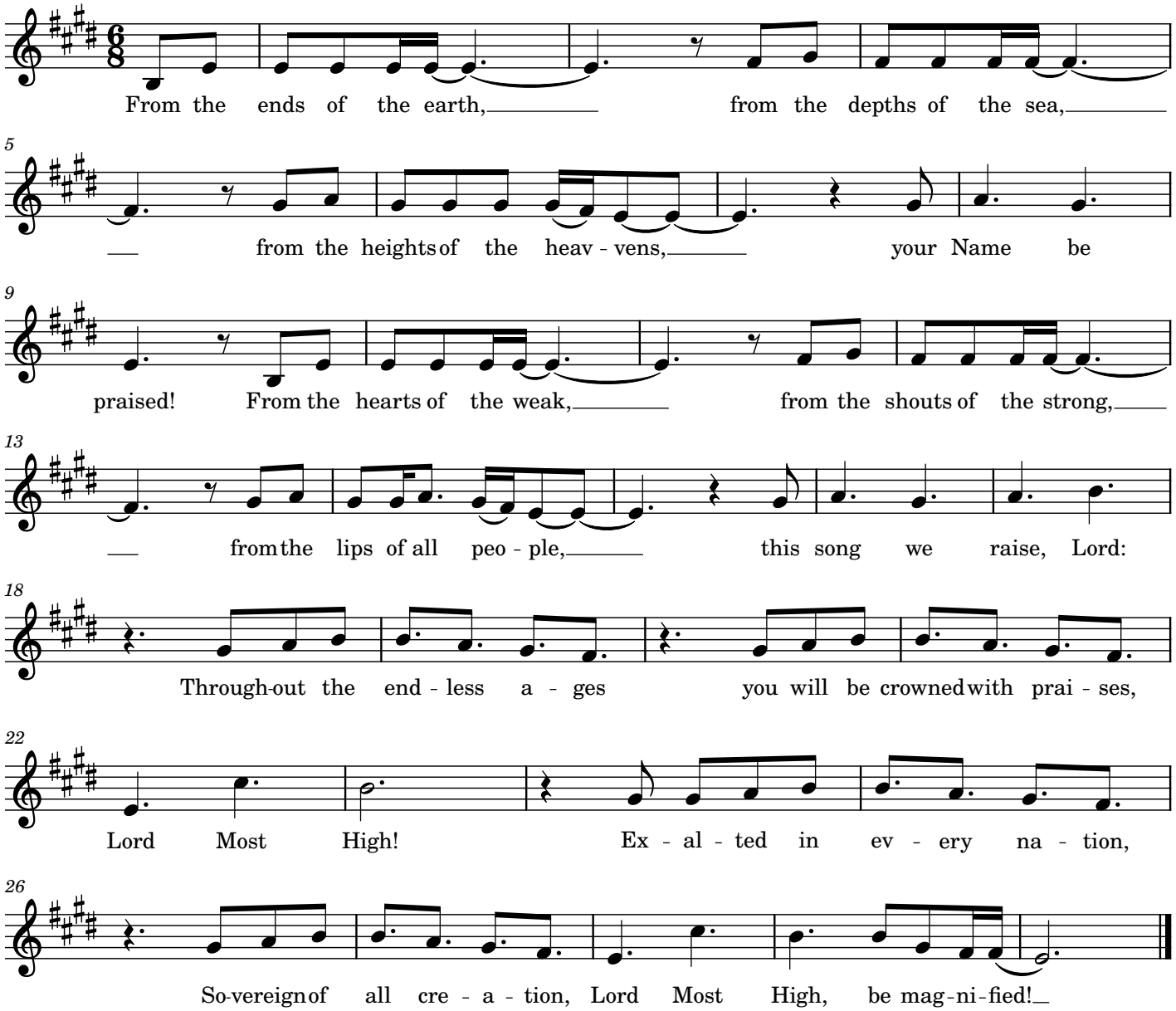
REJOICE, REJOICE, BELIEVERS



Words: Earnest W. Shurtleff (1862-1879)
Music: LANCASHIRE, Henry T. Smart (1813-1879)

Please turn in your Book of Common Prayer (BCP) to pg. 123, where our liturgy begins with 'The Acclamation.'

LORD MOST HIGH



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COLLECT OF THE DAY (BCP pg. 161)

O God, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE LESSONS

A reading from the Prophet Amos [5:18-24].

18 Woe to you who desire the day of the Lord!
Why would you have the day of the Lord?
It is darkness, and not light,
19 as if a man fled from a lion,
and a bear met him,
or went into the house and leaned his hand against the wall,
and a serpent bit him.
20 Is not the day of the Lord darkness, and not light,
and gloom with no brightness in it?

21 "I hate, I despise your feasts,
and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies.
22 Even though you offer me your burnt offerings and grain offerings,
I will not accept them;
and the peace offerings of your fattened animals,
I will not look upon them.
23 Take away from me the noise of your songs;
to the melody of your harps I will not listen.
24 But let justice roll down like waters,
and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

After the Lesson the Reader says

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

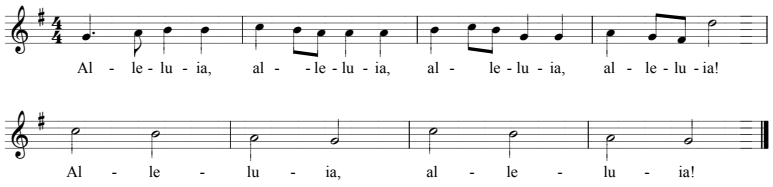
A reading from St. Paul's First Letter to the Thessalonians [4:13-18].

13 But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. 14 For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep. 15 For this we declare to you by a word from the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will not precede those who have fallen asleep. 16 For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. 17 Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord. 18 Therefore encourage one another with these words.

After the Lesson the Reader says

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



All standing, the Deacon or Priest reads the Gospel, first saying

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew [25:1-13].
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

1 "Then the kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. 2 Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. 3 For when the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, 4 but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. 5 As the bridegroom was delayed, they all became drowsy and slept. 6 But at midnight there was a cry, 'Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' 7 Then all those virgins rose and trimmed their lamps. 8 And the foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' 9 But the wise answered, saying, 'Since there will not be enough for us and for you, go rather to the dealers and buy for yourselves.' 10 And while they were going to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the marriage feast, and the door was shut. 11 Afterward the other virgins came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' 12 But he answered, 'Truly, I say to you, I do not know you.' 13 Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.

After the Gospel, the Reader says

The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

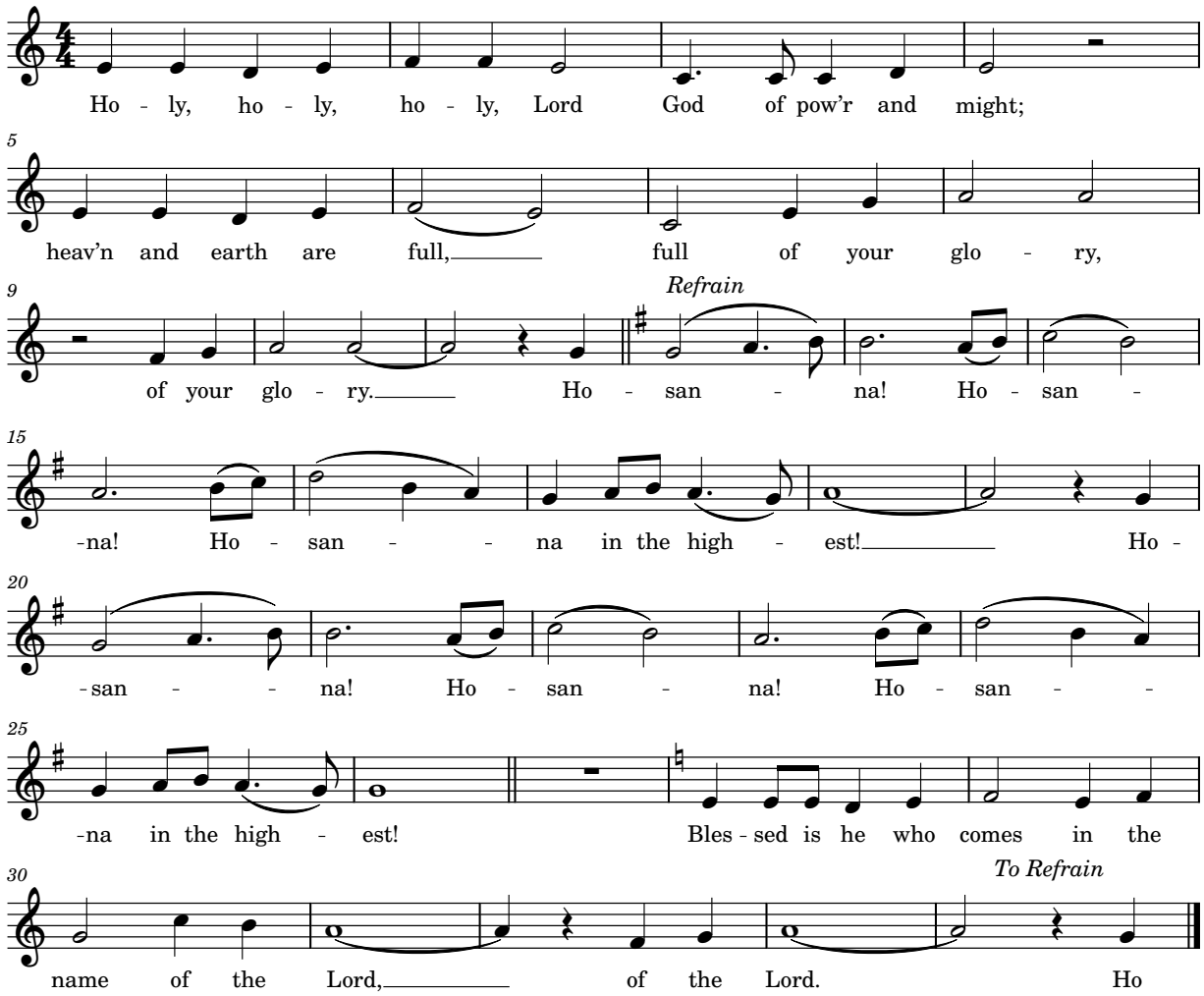
THE SERMON

After the Sermon, please turn in your BCP to pg. 127 for the Nicene Creed. We will continue to use the BCP for the rest of the service, making use of the service booklet for music when applicable.

THE OFFERTORY (BCP pg. 131)

Our tithing tokens are available for you to set in the offering basket if your financial gift was given digitally. Please find them on the ushers table in the transept. Simply place one in the basket at the Offertory to represent what you've already given. It allows us to keep the tradition of giving together alive, while making room for the way many of us give today.

THE SANCTUS



Music: Ben Bowman (2026)

COME LIGHT OUR HEARTS

For You, O Lord our souls in stillness wait.
For You, O Lord our souls in stillness wait,
truly our hope is in You,
truly our hope is in You.

1. O Lord of life, our only hope
your radiance shines
on all who look to you in the dark;
Emmanuel come, come light our hearts.

2. Oh joy above, all other loves,
in you we find, more than enough.
We come as we are, O heal and restore,
come light our hearts.

Music and Words: Sandra McCracken

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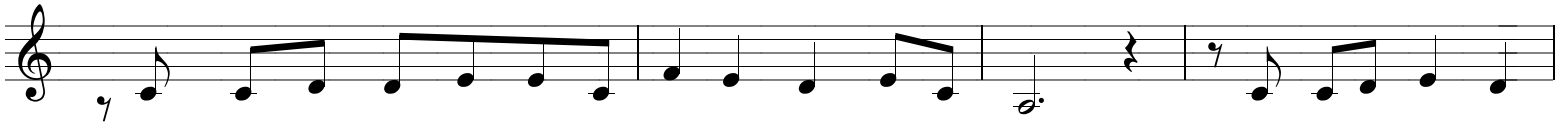
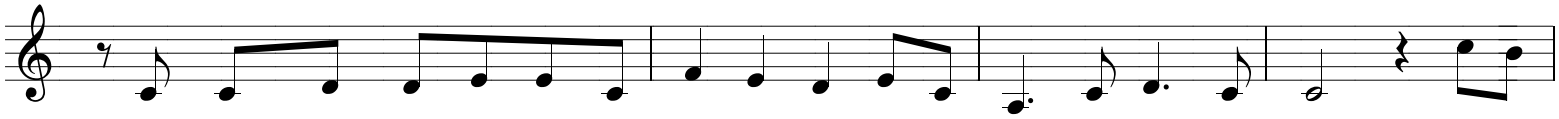
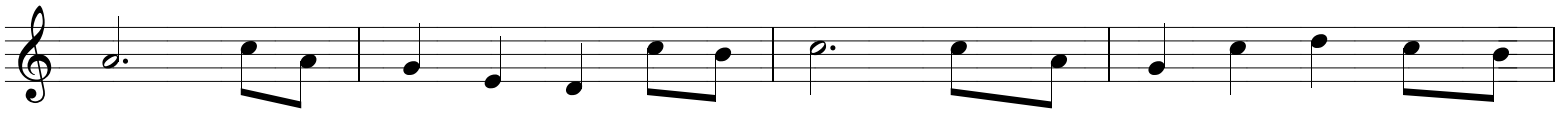
BEHOLD THE LAMB



1 Be - hold the Lamb who bears our sins a - way, slain for us: and we re-mem-ber
2 The Bo - dy of our Sav - ior Je - sus Christ, torn for you: eat and re-mem-ber;
3 The Blood that clean - ses ev - ery stain of sin, shed for you: drink and re-mem-ber
4 And so with thank-ful - ness and faith we rise to re - spond and to re-mem-ber



the pro - mise made that all who come in faith find for- give - ness at the Cross. So we
the wounds that heal, the death that brings us life paid the price to make us one. So we
he drained death's cup that all may en - ter in to re- ceive the life of God. So we
our call to fol - low in the steps of Christ as his Bo - dy here on earth. As we



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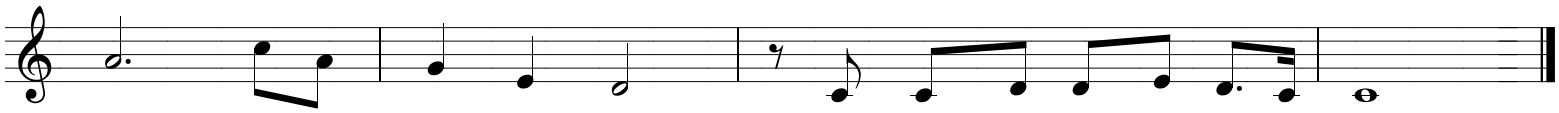
share in his suf - fer - ing, we pro - claim Christ will come a - gain! And we'll



sign of our bonds of peace a - round the Ta - ble of the King.
sign of our bonds of love a - round the Ta - ble of the King.
sign of our bonds of grace a - round the Ta - ble of the King.
join in the feast of heaven a - round the Ta - ble of the King.

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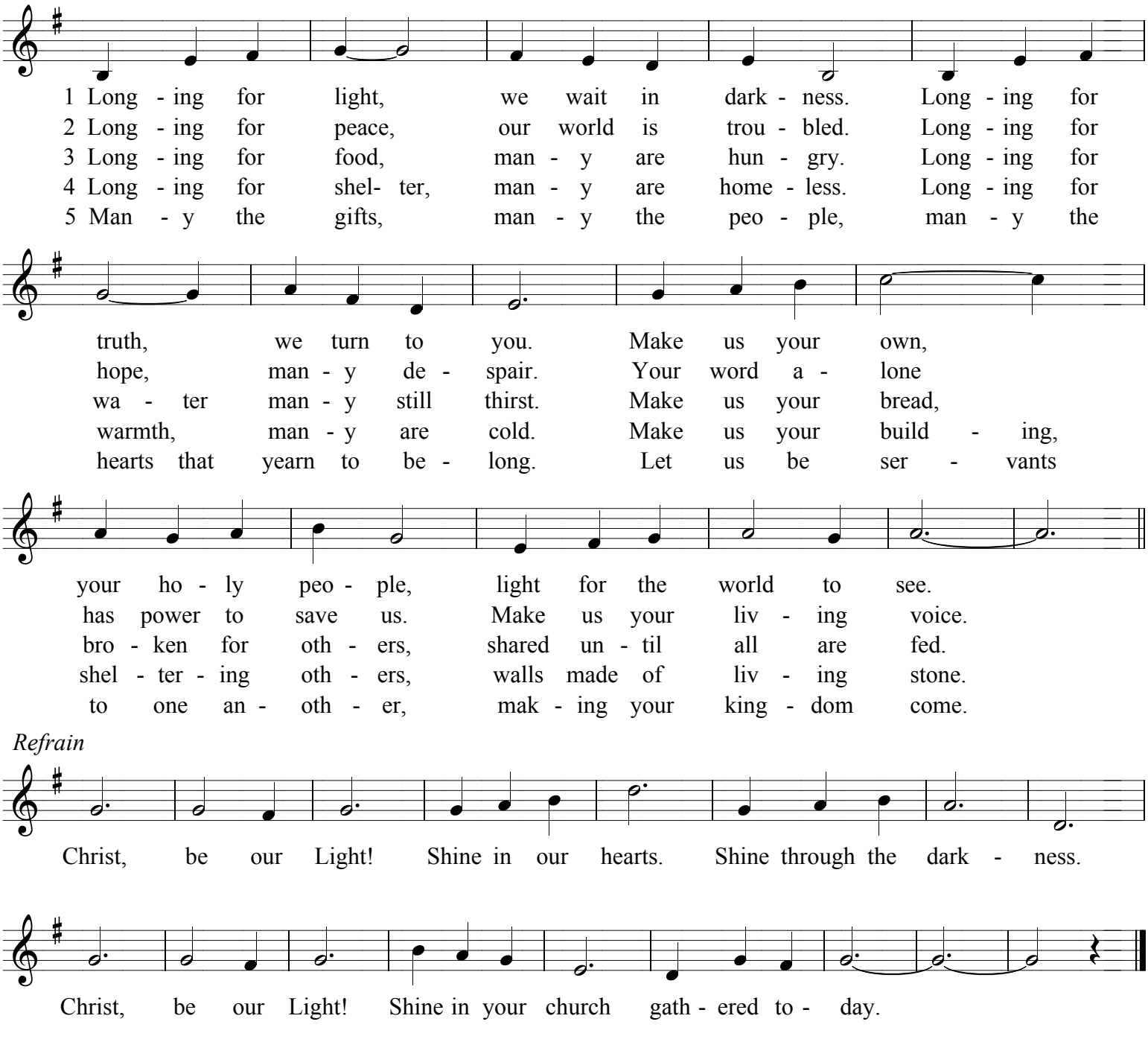
CHRIST BE OUR LIGHT



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After the Ministration of Communion, the liturgy resumes on pg. 137 of the BCP with 'The Post Communion Prayer.'

WELCOME, VISITORS!

If you are visiting today, we are so glad you are here.
Please explore our visitor's page via the QR code.
Regular attenders, please welcome those around you who may be new.

EVENTS

Wreath-Making and Advent Potluck on Sunday, November 29: Join us on Sunday, November 29, as we celebrate the beginning of Advent together! After the second service, everyone is invited to stay for a festive potluck and wreath-making. Soup will be provided, but we welcome contributions of additional food, as well as help with set-up and clean-up. You can sign up to bring food or help out in the News and Needs

There will also be an opportunity for those attending the first service, as well as families, to make wreaths between the two services. Light refreshments will be provided. Questions? Contact owen@holytrinitych.org.

Women's Advent Quiet Day: Saturday, December 5, 9am-1pm (at Club house in Chapel Hill due to construction noise at church - 100 Windemere Xing, Chapel Hill, NC 27516). Join us for a day of quiet reflection, prayer, and fellowship. Come away from the rush of our world in this season and enter into the restful, preparatory season of Advent. Lunch will be provided. Register from the link in the News and Needs by Wednesday, 12/2. Contact Lisa McCowen with questions.

NEEDS

Serve and share a meal with Reality Ministries: Our Holy Trinity community joins a monthly meal to serve friends with and without disabilities in Chapel Hill. We'll eat and worship together. This month it's Monday, November 16, 5:50-7:50pm. Contact Lisa Warner for details (lagwarner156@gmail.com).

PRAYERS FOR THE PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH

- For those new to our fellowship, that they may find belonging, embrace community, and have a genuine encounter with the living God
- For those discerning God's call on their lives, that they may hear His voice clearly and follow with courage and trust
- For all of us gathered here, that we may love one another well, extend grace freely, and reflect the character of Jesus to a watching world
- For all impacted by the upcoming closing of Glenwood Elementary School, that they may be sustained, honored, and cared for as they face undesirable transitions
- For expectant mothers, that they may have healthy pregnancies, safe deliveries, and joy in welcoming new life - Becca, Katie, and Kellan
- For those facing illness, surgery, or recovery, that they may receive comfort and healing - Alex Doyal, Bill Wismer, Lib Peele, David Martin, Steve McClintic, Monty Thull, Lois Rizzardi, Caroline Daniels, Genny Taylor, and Mike Hollinger
- For those in hospice care - Phyllis Martin
- With thanksgiving for the birth of Talia Marta on October 24th to Tessa and Alan Tubbs