The Lutheran Church of The Redeemer

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In our 174th year of ministry

The Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost
Consecration Sunday
October 11, 2026 - 10:30 am

The Pentecost Season, sometimes called "Ordinary Time," is the season of the Church year when we focus on growing as disciples of Jesus Christ through the ordinary moments of daily life. The word "ordinary" comes from the idea of counting or ordering the weeks, not from something being plain or unimportant. During this season, we reflect on Christ's teachings, His ministry, and how we are called to live out our faith in our homes, workplaces, and communities.

The liturgical color for Ordinary Time is green, symbolizing growth, hope, and new life. Just as plants need time to mature and flourish, our spiritual lives require continual nourishment through prayer, Scripture, worship, and acts of service. Ordinary Time reminds us that God is present not only in special celebrations and holy seasons, but also in the everyday rhythms of life.

As we journey through Ordinary Time, may we open our hearts to God's grace and seek opportunities to grow in faith, love, and discipleship. Let us be attentive to the ways Christ is working among us and commit ourselves to sharing His light and love with those around us.

The Lutheran Church of The Redeemer is a Christian community of diverse people called and guided by the Holy Spirit to nurture with God's love those within and beyond our congregation.

A place where God is at work!
All are welcome. No exceptions.



The Rev. Matthew Titus, Pastor · Haley McBride-Stuhr, Office Assistant & Bookkeeper
Dr. Huger Caughman, Jr., Organist · Nicholas Todd Shumate, Choir Director
A/V Team: Matt Bowers, Annette Belcher, Wayden Caughman, and Nikki Chapman

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..... ✢ GATHERING ✢ .....

Voluntaries

Hymn of Praise	John Carter
In Heavenly Love Abiding	Carolyn Hamlin
Prelude in G	William Henry Harris

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

<*We stand.*>

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✢ one God, who pours love into our hearts and healing upon the earth. **Amen.**

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Confident that God justifies us by grace through faith, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

<*We kneel.*>

Compassionate God,

we confess that we struggle to embody your goodness in the world and in our own hearts. Creation groans from overuse. Jealousy and bitterness strain our relationships. Indifference keeps us from seeking justice. Divisions disrupt your call to show genuine love to others. Turn our hearts back to you. Restore our world and reconcile us to one another. Renew us to live as your holy people, following the way of Jesus Christ. Amen.

<*We stand.*>

Hear this good news:

We have peace with God through ✢ Jesus Christ, in whom there is no condemnation, but only forgiveness and the promise of eternal life. Receive freely this healing gift of grace. **Amen.**

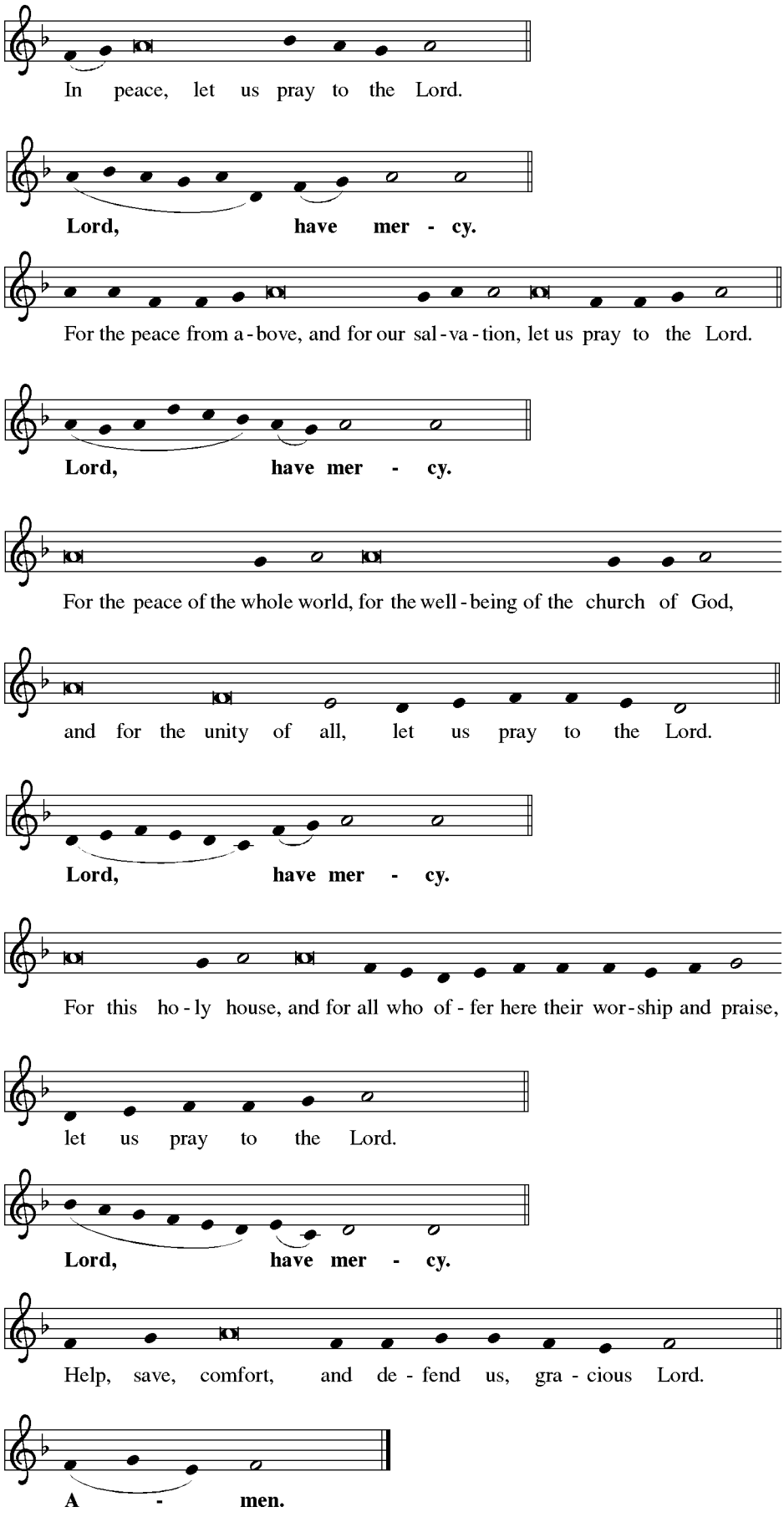
HYMN 413 **Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!** *Nicaea*

GREETING

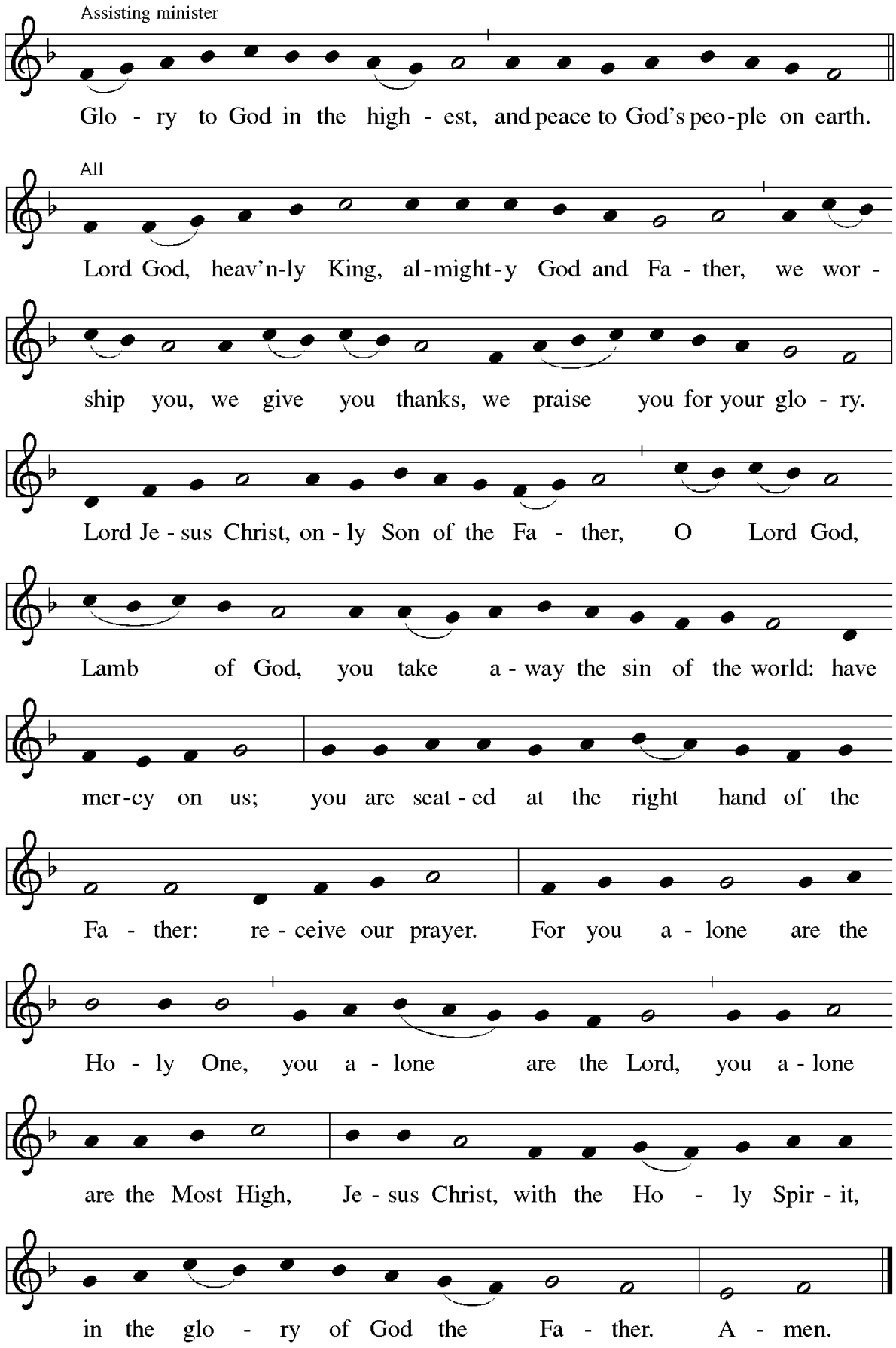
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

KYRIE


In peace, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mer - cy.
For the peace from a - bove, and for our sal - va - tion, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mer - cy.
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 ho - ly house, and for all who of - fer here their wor - ship and praise,
let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mer - cy.
Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.
A - men.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE



PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray together. God of commandments, **you gave the Israelites laws so that they might live in harmony with one another. Show us how to live in peace, so that all may know of your love. We pray these things in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

<*We sit.*>

..... ✢ WORD ✢ .....

READING **Exodus 19:3-7, 20:1-17** *Pew Bible page 57*

Then Moses went up to God; the Lord called to him from the mountain, "Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob and tell the Israelites: 'You have seen what I did to the Egyptians and how I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. Now, therefore, if you obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession out of all the peoples. Indeed, the whole earth is mine, but you shall be for me a priestly kingdom and a holy nation.' These are the words that you shall speak to the Israelites."

So Moses went, summoned the elders of the people, and set before them all these words that the Lord had commanded him. Then God spoke all these words,

"I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me.

"You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above or that is on the earth beneath or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or serve them, for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments.

"You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

"Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy. Six days you shall labor and do all your work. But the seventh day is a Sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work – you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day and consecrated it.

"Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you.

"You shall not murder.

"You shall not commit adultery.

"You shall not steal.

"You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

"You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, male or female slave, ox, donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor."

<*At the conclusion of the reading*>

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

LIL' LUTHERAN TALK

<*We stand.*>

GOSPEL **Matthew 5:17** *Pew Bible page 786*

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

"Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill.

<*At the conclusion of the reading*>

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

<*We sit.*>

SERMON **Pastor Jason Schafer**

<*We stand.*>

Hymn 800 **Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart** *Morecambe*

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, he 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 OF INTERCESSION

Seeking the Spirit of God who makes all things new, we pray for the church and the world.
<*We kneel.*>
Each prayer petition will end with "Hear us, O God," and the response is ***"Your mercy is great."***
At the conclusion of the prayers, … through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***"Amen."***

<*We stand.*>

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also, with you.
You are invited to share the peace however you and those around you are comfortable.
<*We sit.*>

····· ✝ MEAL ✝ ·····

RECEPTION OF THE OFFERING

ANTHEM *My Shepherd Will Supply My Need* Dr. Kevin Dove, Bassoon

My Shepherd will supply my need, Jehovah is his Name;
in pastures fresh he makes me feed beside the living stream.
He brings my wand'ring spirit back when I forsake his ways,
and leads me, for his mercy's sake, in paths of truth and grace.

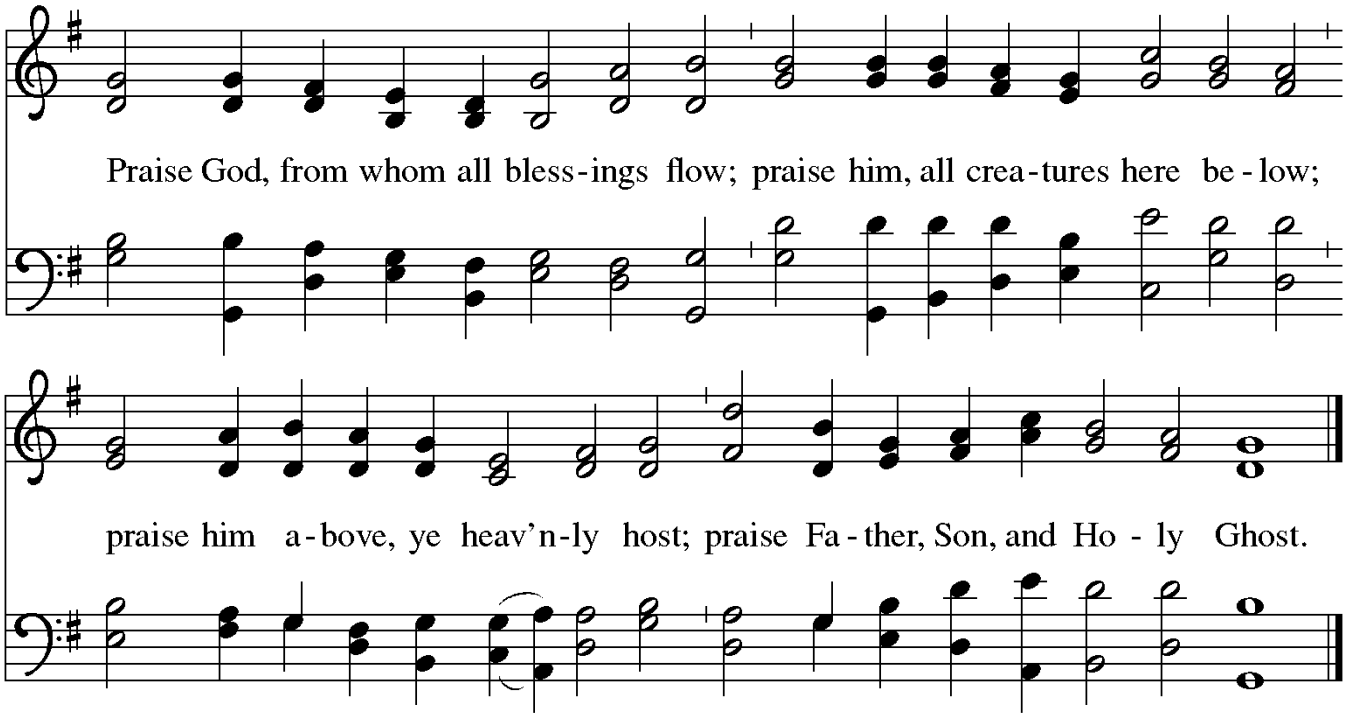
When I walk through the shades of death, thy presence is my stay;
one word of thy supporting breath drives all my fears away.
Thy hand, in sight of all my foes, doth still my table spread;
my cup with blessings overflows, thy oil anoints my head.

The sure provisions of my God attend me all my days;
Oh, may thy house be mind abode and all my work be praise.
There would I find a settled rest, while others go and come;
No more a stranger or a guest, but like a child at home.
but like a child at home.

Isaac Watts
American Folk Melody
Setting by Howard Helvey

<We stand.>

Hymn 884 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow



OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray… God of creation, you send rain and the earth springs forth abundantly. All blessings are from you; make us generous with what we have. Use our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts in service to you and in love to our neighbors, today and always.
Amen.

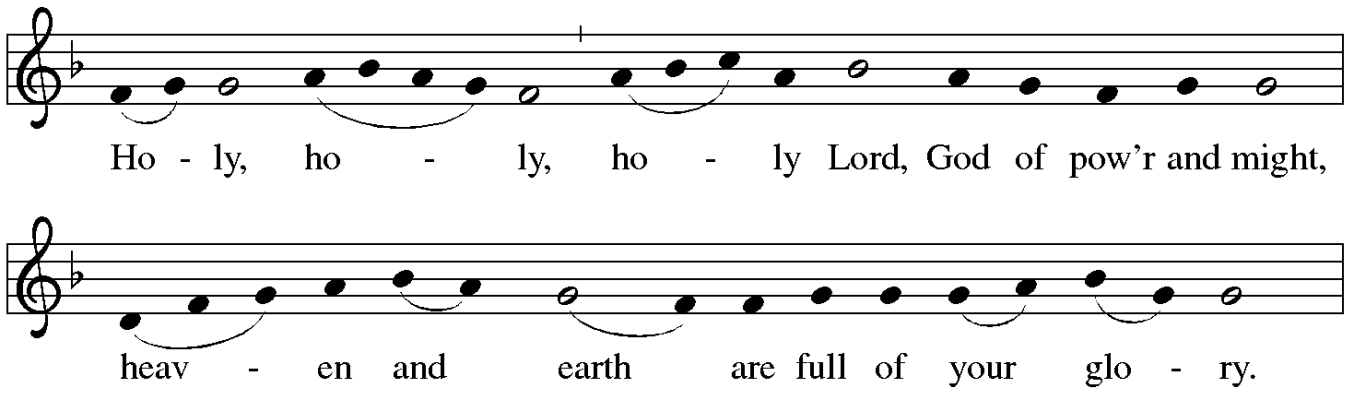
GREAT THANKSGIVING

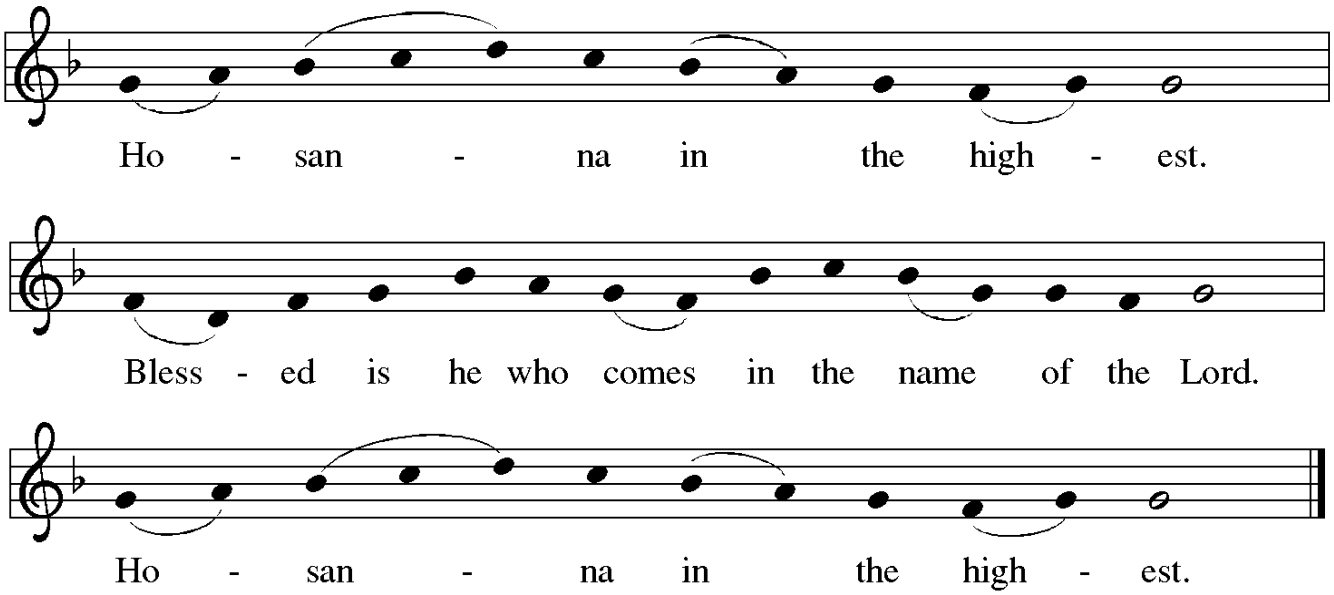
The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty, and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise … *here the minister continues with the preface for the day, concluding* … we praise your name and join their unending hymn.

Holy, Holy, Holy





THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. **Christ has died. Christ has risen. Christ will come again.**
Therefore, O God, … the great and promised feast. **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**
Send now, … with all your saints in light. **Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.**
Join our prayers … almighty Father, now and forever. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray …
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.

INVITATION TO THE MEAL

Christ invites you to this table. All who are thirsty, all who are hungry, come!
<*We sit.*>

COMMUNION

Participation in Holy Communion is open to all the baptized of this and other Christian congregations. We come in faith that Christ is truly present in, with, and under the bread and the wine. We receive this gift knowing that we are forgiven and are nourished to be sent to proclaim God's love to the world.
You are invited to come to the altar to receive the bread and wine. You may dip the bread into the chalice of wine. If you are not able, the meal will be brought to you. A gluten-free wafer is available, upon request for those who need it.

<*We stand.*>

THE TABLE BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Sustaining God, with this bread and cup, you nourish us with mercy and abundant life. By your Spirit, send us from this table to serve a needy world. Make us living signs of your liberation, healing, and love, following the way of Jesus, in whose name we pray. **Amen.**

..... ✝ SENDING ✝ .....

SUNG BLESSING

In the name of the Father.	May the Lord bless you and keep you.
In the name of the Father.	**May the Lord bless you and keep you.**
In the name of the Son.	May God's face shine upon you.
In the name of the Son.	**May God's face shine upon you.**
In the name of the Spirit.	May God's blessings be with you.
In the name of the Spirit.	**May God's blessings be with you.**
The Three-in-One.	And give you peace.
The Three-in-One.	**And give you peace.**

Hymn 842 **Oh, Worship the King** *Hanover*

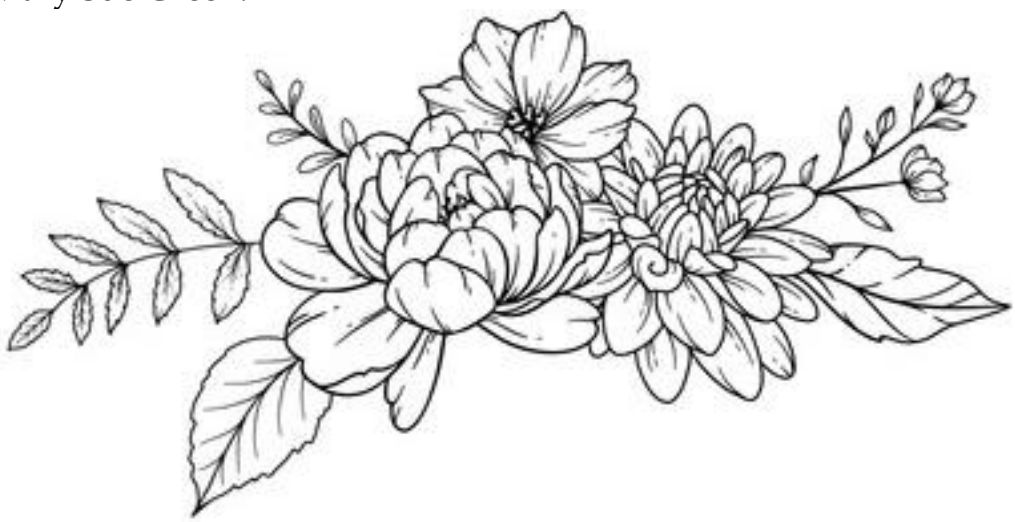
COMMITMENT TIME & BENEDICTION

DISMISSAL

Go out in joy. Be led forth in peace.
Thanks be to God.

VOLUNTARY *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* Fred Bock

ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God and in honor of our 16th anniversary by John and Mary Sue Green.



..... ANNOUNCEMENTS .....

Youth - sixth grade and up - are invited for a wonderful time of fellowship and fun at the Newberry Fun Park today at 4pm. Contact PM with any questions you may have.

Redeemer Food Pantry the food pantry box located across from the front entrance to the FLC needs to be replenished – next time you do your grocery shopping think about grabbing a few nonperishable items to put in the box. Items with easy open tab lids or pouches are great! Chef Boyardee, tuna, water, electrolyte drink mixes, etc.

Manna House is still in need of sugar, flour, and grits. You may leave these items in the grocery cart in the narthex.

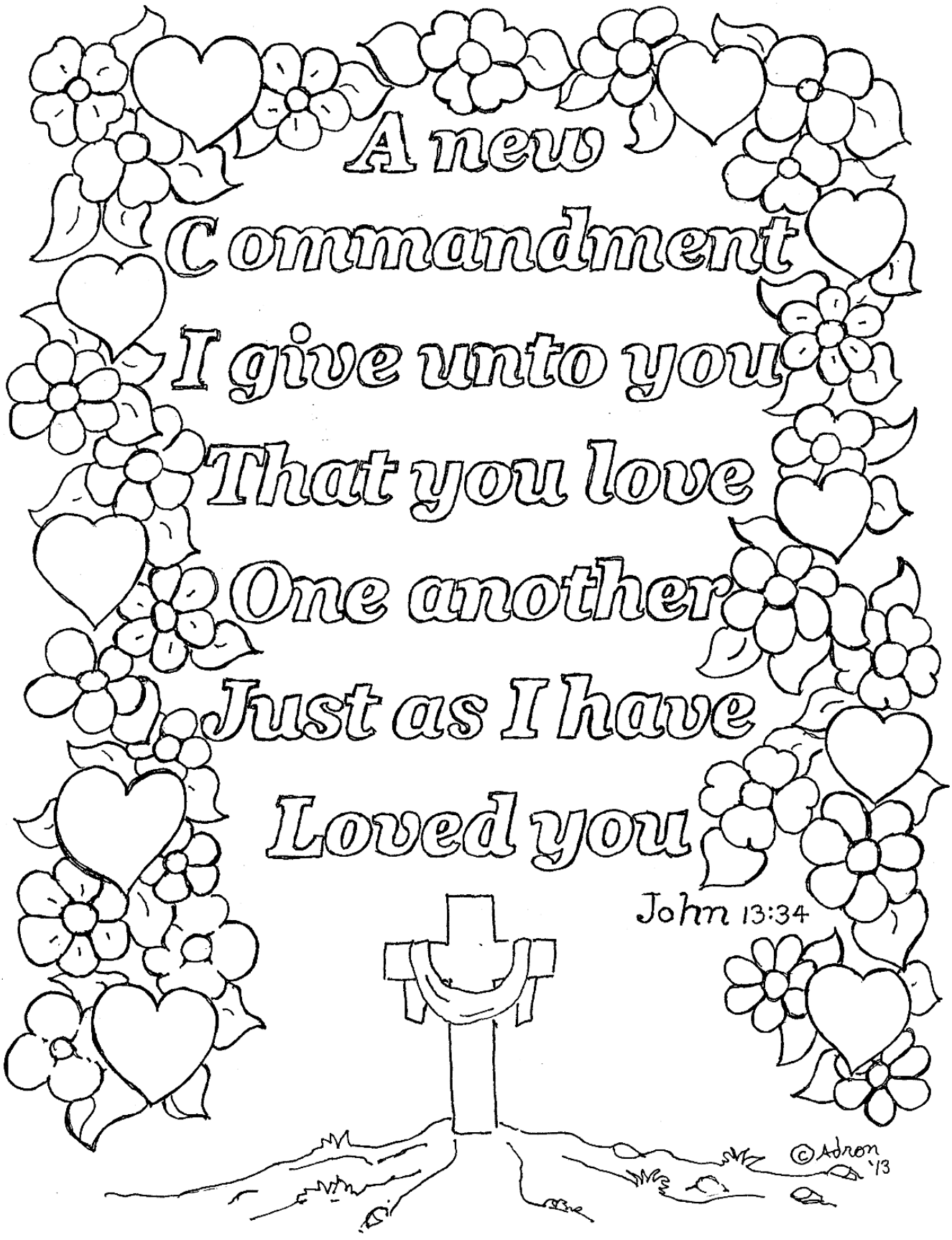
Numbers for October 4, 2026:

Attendance:		**Offering:**	
Sunday School:	16	Gen Operating Account: $	3,414.14
In-Person Worship:	78	Major Maintenance: $	40.00
Online Worship:	96	Roof Fund: $	555.00
Worship Total:	**174**	Abiding Memorial: $	25.00

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
11 **Sunday School** – 9:30am **Consecration Sunday Worship** – 10:30am **Luncheon –** after worship **Youth Group** – 4pm – Newberry Fun Park	12 **Lutheran Services Carolina** – 12-1pm **Congregation Council Meeting –** 6pm	13 **Library Reserved –** 6pm	14 **Handbell Choir Rehearsal** – 6pm **Senior Choir Rehearsal** – 7pm	15	16	17 **FLC Reserved –** Mary Alex Kopp **GAAP –** 10am – O'Neal St UMC	18 **Sunday School** – 9:30am **Worship** – 10:30am **Children's Choir Rehearsal** – after worship **Confirmation** – 4pm

Worship Leadership – Today
Worship Asst: Lisa Senn
Acolyte: McKenzie Garner
Crucifer: Ashleigh Titus
Comm Prep: Polly Davis & Susan Hayes
Ushers: Susan Thomasson, Walter Jacobs, Justin Guy, Dennis Caughman
Offering Tellers: Walter Jacobs, Ann Jacobs, & Susan Thomasson
Altar Flowers: John & Mary Sue Green

Sunday, October 18, 2026
Worship Asst: Anne Caughman
Acolyte: Dennis Caughman
Crucifer: Jacob Chapman
Comm Prep: Christie Whitaker
Ushers: Tommy Fellers, Joey Nicosia, Tom Gilson, Dennis Caughman
Offering Tellers: Matthew Bowers & Huger Caughman, Jr.
Altar Flowers: Tommy & Helen Fellers


A new
Commandment
I give unto you
That you love
One another
Just as I have
Loved you
John 13:34
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