# Ascension of Our Lord



Sunday, June 1, 2025 Faith Lutheran Church Everett, WA

## Ascension of Our Lord, June 1, 2025, 10:30 a.m.

- Everyone is welcome here in the name of Jesus Christ -

We're a liturgical church. Liturgy comes from the Greek word meaning, "Work of the people". We use rituals to worship God, we pray together out loud, we stand up, sit down, and participate together in many ways.

Bold: Congregation repeats. Please stand as you're able when you see this symbol +

#### Prelude

#### Welcome

#### Announcements

+ Call to Worship (Bell is rung to signal beginning of worship)

#### + Thanksgiving for Baptism

- P: Alleluia! Christ is risen.
- C: Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!
- P: In the name of + the One who was, who is, and who is to come.

#### C: Amen

- P: Baptized into Christ's death and resurrection, and called to live the baptized life, let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.
- P: Holy God, we give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that make a people your own, that restore to wholeness, and empower us to be witnesses in your name. Baptized into you, O Living One,
- C: make us one as you are one.
- P: We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that strengthen believers and give new life to beloved servants of your church; waters that extend your boundless love and cross barriers of our own making. Baptized into you, O Living One,
- C: make us one as you are one.
- P: We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that open the hearts of believers and give a voice in the night to those in captivity; waters that set your people on a new path, rejoicing in the Spirit's power. Baptized into you, O Living One,
- C: make us one as you are one.
- **P:** Grant us grace, love, and life, O Living One, that our every day is shaped by these waters that give us our very lives in you. We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Crucified and Risen One.
- C: Amen

## O Day of Rest and Gladness



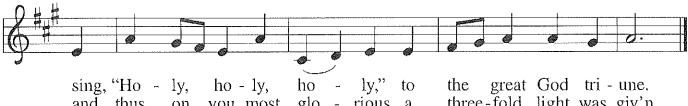
- 1 O day of rest and glad ness, O day of joy and light, 2 On you, at earth's cre a tion, the light first had its birth;
- 3 To day on wea ry na tions the heav'n-ly man-na falls;
- 4 New grac-es ev er gain ing from this our day of rest,



sad -O balm for ness, most beau - ti - ful, most bright: care and rose from depths of earth; you. for our sal - va tion, Christ on sil - ver trum-pet calls, tions the to ho - ly con - vo - ca reach the re - main - ing spir - its of the blest. rest to we



you the high and low ly, through a - ges joined in on rious the Spir - it sent from heav'n; you, our Lord vic - to on where gos-pel light is glow ing with pure and ra - diant beams Fa - ther, Spir - it, We sing to you our prais es, 0 Son:



and thus on you, most glo - rious, a and liv - ing wa - ter flow - ing with the church its voice up - rais - es to

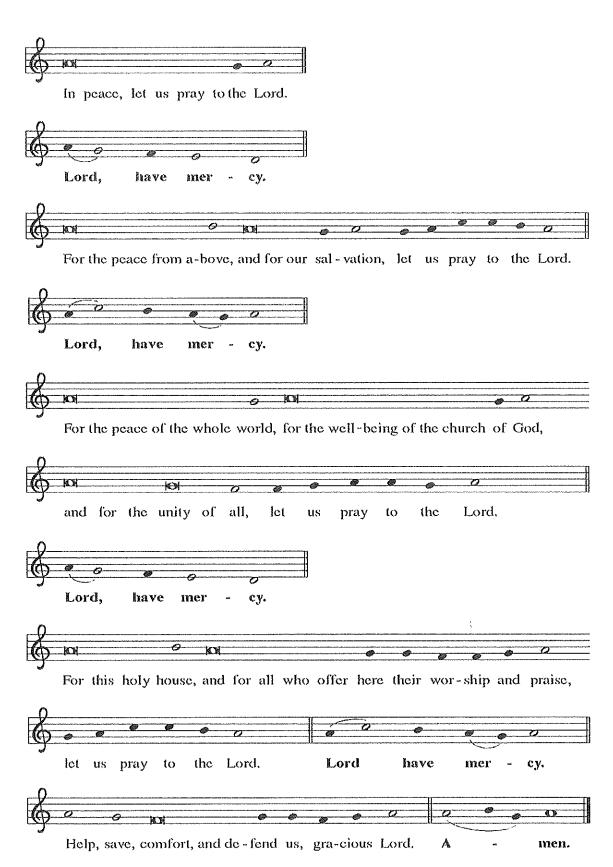
three-fold light was giv'n. soul - re - fresh-ing streams. you, blest Three in One.

Text: Christopher Wordsworth, 1807-1885, alt.

Music: ELLACOMBE, German melody, 18th cent.; adapt. X. L. Hartig, Melodien zum Mainzer Gesangbuche, 1833

## + Apostolic Greeting

- 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.



### Prayer of the Day

- P: Almighty God,
- C: your only Son was taken into the heavens and in your presence intercedes for us. Receive us and our prayers for all the world, and in the end bring everything into your glory, through Jesus Christ, our Sovereign and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

First Reading Acts 1:1-11

[Luke writes:] <sup>1</sup> In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning <sup>2</sup> until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. <sup>3</sup> After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. <sup>4</sup> While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. "This," he said, "is what you have heard from me; <sup>5</sup> for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."

<sup>6</sup> So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" <sup>7</sup> He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. <sup>8</sup> But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." <sup>9</sup> When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. <sup>10</sup> While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. <sup>11</sup> They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

R: The Word of the Lord C: Thanks be to God

## <u>The Psalm</u> (All read together)

Psalm 47

<sup>1</sup>Clap your hands, all you peoples; shout to God with a joyful sound.

<sup>2</sup>For the LORD Most High is to be feared: a great king over all the earth,

<sup>3</sup>who subdues the peoples under us, and the nations under our feet;

<sup>4</sup>who chooses our inheritance for us, the pride of Jacob, whom God loves.

<sup>5</sup>God has gone up with a shout, the LORD with the sound of the ram's horn.

<sup>6</sup>Sing praises to God, sing praises; sing praises to our king, sing praises.

<sup>7</sup>For God is king of all the earth; sing praises with a song.

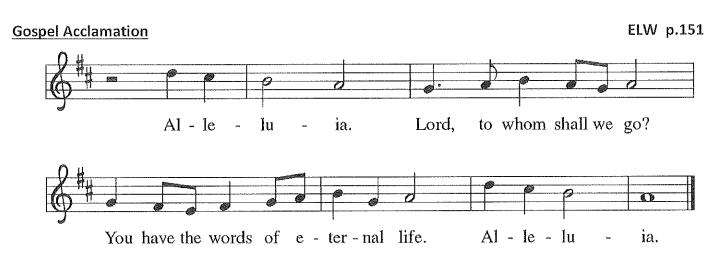
<sup>8</sup>God reigns over the nations; God is enthroned on high.

<sup>9</sup>The nobles of the peoples have gathered as the people of the God of Abraham. The rulers of the earth belong to God, who is highly exalted.

Second Reading Ephesians 1:15-23

<sup>15</sup> I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason <sup>16</sup> I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. <sup>17</sup> I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, <sup>18</sup> so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, <sup>19</sup> and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. <sup>20</sup> God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, <sup>21</sup> far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. <sup>22</sup> And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, <sup>23</sup> which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

R: The Word of the Lord C: Thanks be to God



 † The Holy Gospel
 Luke 24:44-53

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the 24th chapter.

#### C: Glory to you, O Lord.

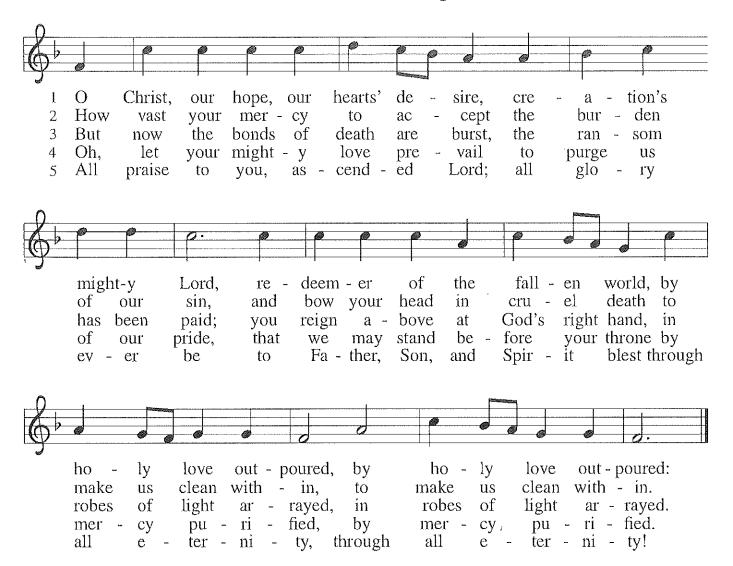
<sup>44</sup> [Jesus said to the eleven and those with them,] "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." <sup>45</sup> Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, <sup>46</sup> and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, <sup>47</sup> and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. <sup>48</sup> You are witnesses of these things. <sup>49</sup> And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high."

<sup>50</sup> Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. <sup>51</sup> While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. <sup>52</sup> And they worshiped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; <sup>53</sup> and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

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

Sermon Pastor Pam Karas

## O Christ, Our Hope



Text: Latin hymn, c. 8th cent.; tr. John Chandler, 1806–1876, adapt. Music: LOBT GOTT, IHR CHRISTEN, Nikolaus Herman, 1480–1561

Apostles' Creed

#### The Confession of Faith

A: 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,

+ Prayers of the People (Sung before and after the prayers)

and the life everlasting. Amen.

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Lord, Listen to your Children Praying. Lord send your spirit to this place.
Lord, Listen to your Children Praying. Send us love, send us power, send us grace.

R: Hear us, O God. C: Your mercy is great.

## + Sharing the Peace of Christ

P: The peace of the Lord be with you! C: And also with you!

### **Offering**

## Day of Arising



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#### **Offering Prayer**

A: Risen One, you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts we bring. Come among us again, breathe your life into us, and enliven us with this meal, that we may live as your risen body in the world.

#### C: Amen.

#### The Great Thanksgiving

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

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

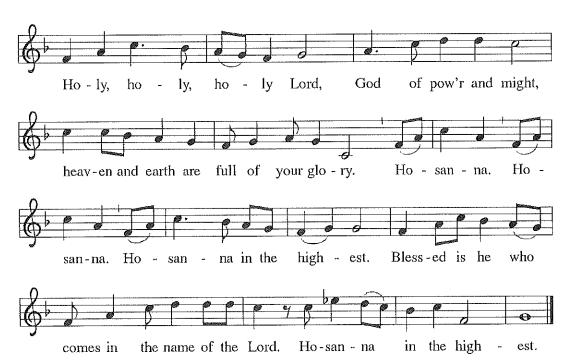
Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. You comforted your people with the promise of the Redeemer, through whom you will also make all things new in the day when he comes to judge the world in righteousness. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

#### Holy, Holy, Holy

ELW p.153



## † The Lord's Prayer (Sing)

Our Fa-ther, who art in hea-ven, hal- low-ed be thy name. Thy king-dom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heav-en.

Give us this day our dai-ly bread, and for-give us our tres-pass-es, as we for-give those who tres-pass a-gainst us, and lead us not in-to temp-ta-tion, but de-liv-er us from e-vil, For thine is the king-dom the po-wer and the glo-ry, for-ev-er and ev-er more. A-men.

#### + Invitation to Communion

P: Come to the table of grace. Receive the gift of new life.

#### All are welcome to the Lord's Table

Lamb of God ELW p. 146

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

### **Distribution of Communion**

Meditative Music

### + Post-Communion Blessing

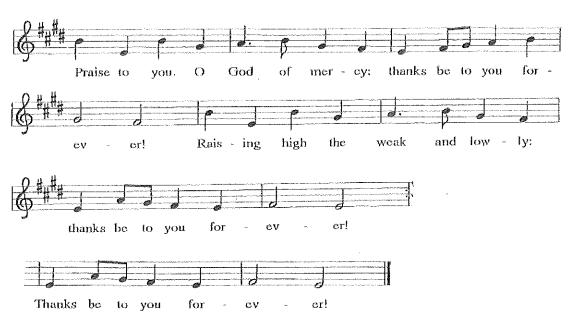
P: Now may the precious body and blood of our Lord and Savior ⊕ keep us in God's peace.

C: Amen

### + Post Communion Song

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## Praise to You, O God of Mercy



## + Prayer after Communion

- P: Living One, in this feast you have made yourself known to us. Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory, and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world.
- C: Amen.

#### + Benediction

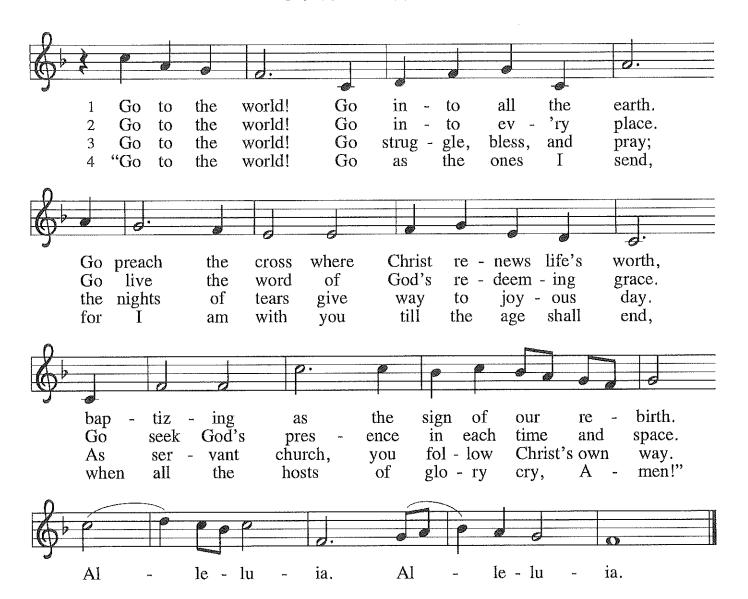
- P: The triune God, who was, who is, and who is to come, Sovereign, ⅓ Savior, and Spirit, light your way with resurrection dawn, now and always.
- C: Amen.

### + Sending Hymn

"Go to the World!"

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### + The Dismissal

- P: Alleluia! Christ is risen.
- C: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!
- P: Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia!
- C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

The members of Faith Lutheran Church have a tradition of singing "God Be With You Till We Meet Again" after the service has concluded. Please feel free to depart or join in the singing.

#### **GOD BE WITH YOU**

- 1. God be with you till we meet again; by His counsels guide, uphold you, with His sheep securely fold you; God be with you till we meet again. (CHORUS)
- 2. God be with you till we meet again; 'neath His wings protecting hide you, daily manna still provide you; God be with you till we meet again. (CHORUS)

#### **CHORUS:**

Till we meet, till we meet, till we meet at Jesus' feet (till we meet); till we meet, till we meet, God be with you till we meet again.

WORDS: Jeremiah E. Rankin (1828-1904) MUSIC: William Tomer (1833-1896)

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#### **Vision Statement**

Faith Lutheran Church of Everett is a dynamic force in its neighborhood, community and the world beyond due to its people, programs and facilities. The church is a youth-friendly place that welcomes people of all backgrounds resulting in a constantly growing congregation that people want to join and spread the word of Jesus here and around the world.

#### **Mission Statement**

The mission of Faith Lutheran Church is to utilize the rich blend of God's people, programs and facilities to spread the word of Jesus, through witness and service, in our neighborhood, community and around the world.

#### **Prayer Requests:**

Pastor: Contact Pastor Pam at (425) 870-5335 or email: pastorpam.faithlutheran@gmail.com Confidential Prayer Chain: contact Ella Tuininga at (425) 231-2072 or email: getuininga@gmail.com

## Serving in Worship

	TODAY-June 1	NEXT SUNDAY – June 8
Presiding Minister:	Pastor Pam Karas	Pastor Pam Karas
Assisting Minister:	Ginny W.	Mary
Accompanist:	Ben Kromholtz	Ben Kromholtz
Altar Guild:	Ginny W.	Susan
Ushers:	Roger	Ella
Counters:	Andrea/Roger	Jennifer/Holly
Streamer:	Jennifer	Jennifer
Coffee Host:	Holly	Ginny W.
Deacon – May	David	Stan
Music Assistants:	Paul, Holly & Ginny W.	Paul, Holly & Ginny W.

## **Weekly Calendar of Events**

Sun. 6/1: 10:30am-Worship Service (S); 3-7pm-Fountain of Truth (S)

Tues. 6/3: 5-6pm-Community Meal (FH)

Wed. 6/4: 11:30am-Worship Plan Mtg. (L); 7-9pm-Fountain of Truth (S)

Sun. 6/8: 10:30am-Worship Service (S); 3-7pm-Fountain of Truth (S)

Office is open Tuesdays – However, times can vary so please call first (425) 353-4758.

Pastor Pam will be in the office on Tuesdays. Her email is pastorpam.faithlutheran@gmail.com

Hours may vary; please call first.

## **Faith Announcements**

### April-May-June Birthdays!!

We will be celebrating: Jennifer. Rick, Elsa, Bronwen, Gracie, Anna, Conrad, Susan, Kirik, Janie, Pastor Pam, Paul, Liam and June's birthday after church with cake on June 22<sup>nd</sup>.

## **Quilters & Bible Study**

Quilters and Bible Study will take a summer break starting on June  $5^{th}$  and will resume September  $11^{th}$ .

Lessons for June 8, 2025
Acts 2:1-21; Psalm 104:24-34, 35b; Romans 8:14-17; John 14:8-17 [25-27]

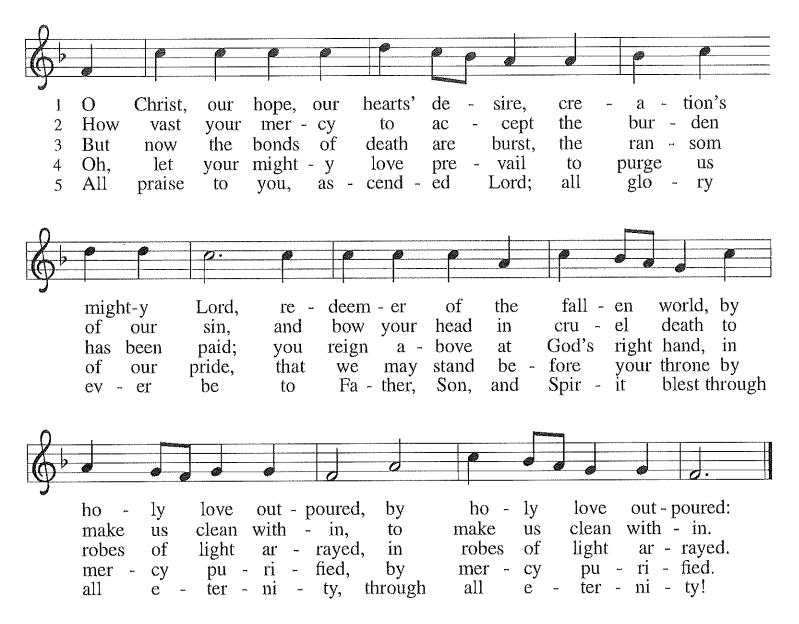
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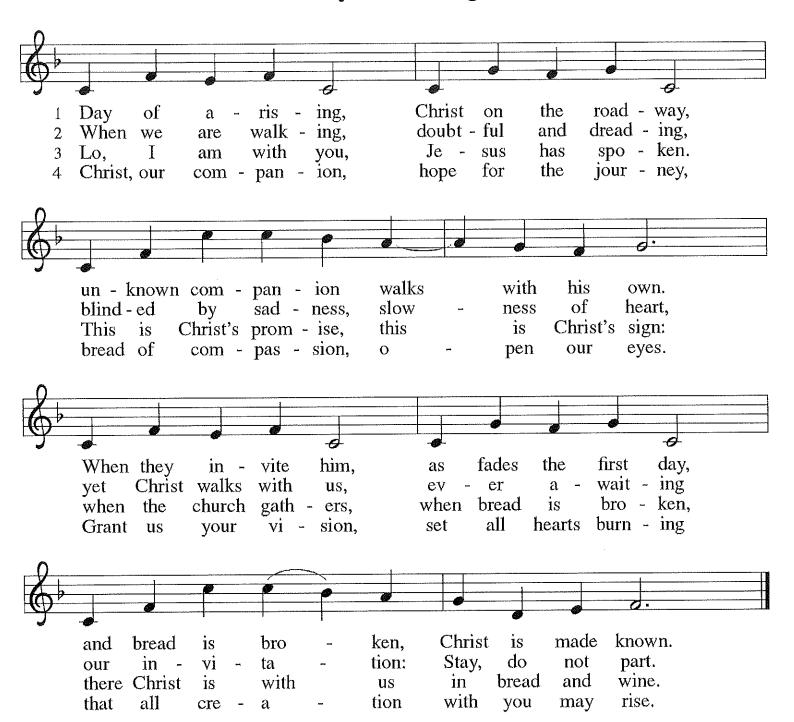
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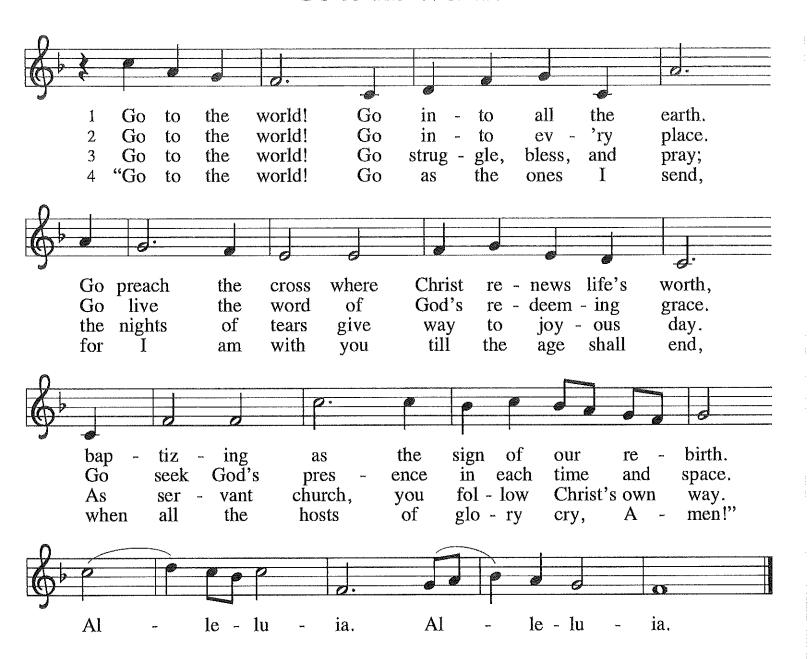
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