

St. John's Lutheran Church

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“He has risen
from the dead ...”

Matthew 28:7, NIV



St. John's Lutheran Church is part of the North American Lutheran Church. We welcome you and are glad you are participating in the Service of Word and Sacrament this morning as we celebrate the **Resurrection of Our Lord**. Please register your attendance in the blue pad at the end of the pew. HOLY COMMUNION is celebrated the first and third Sundays of each month and on Festival Sundays. All who are baptized and believe that Christ is truly present in the Lord's Supper are invited to receive this Sacrament with us.

Prayer upon entering God's House:

O God, by Your Son risen from the dead, fill our hearts with the warmth and life that will cause us to serve You in all that we feel, do, and say. Amen.

PRELUDE*"Chorale Fantasie"**Peters****THE EASTER ANNOUNCEMENT****P** Alleluia, Christ is risen!**C** He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**CHILDREN'S SERMON*****ENTRANCE HYMN***"Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"**LBW 151***CHILDREN'S SERMON*****KYRIE**

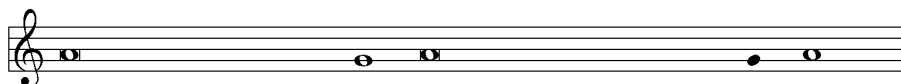
Ⓐ In peace, let us pray to the Lord. ♪ Lord, have mer - cy.



Ⓐ For the peace from a- bove, and for our sal- vation, let us pray to the Lord.



♪ Lord, have mer - cy.



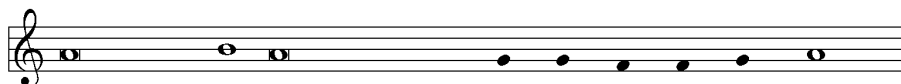
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



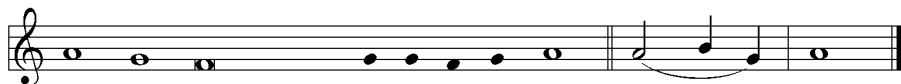
G Lord, have mer - cy.



A For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor - ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **G** Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra-cious Lord. **G** A - men

*HYMN OF PRAISE



A This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia.



G Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo - ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and



strength, and hon - or and bless - ing and glo - ry are his.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia.



Sing with all the peo-ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre-a-tion: Bless-ing and hon-or and glo-ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for-ev-er. A-men.

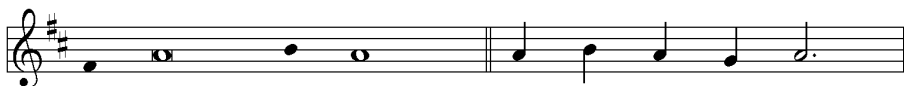


This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be-gun his reign. Al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia.

*PRAYER OF THE DAY



☞ The Lord be with you.

☞ And al-so with you.

P Let us pray

O God, You gave Your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by His glorious resurrection You delivered us from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin, so that we may live with Him forever in the joy of the resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen

FIRST LESSON

Acts 10:34–43

A The First Lesson is from the tenth chapter of Acts.

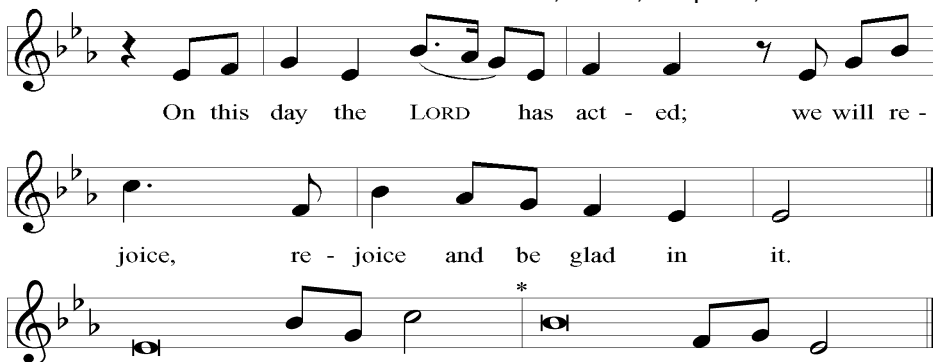
³⁴ So Peter opened his mouth and said: “Truly I understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵ but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶ As for the word that he sent to Israel, preaching good news of peace through Jesus Christ (he is Lord of all), ³⁷ you yourselves know what happened throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism that John proclaimed: ³⁸ how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁹ And we are witnesses of all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree, ⁴⁰ but God raised him on the third day and made him to appear, ⁴¹ not to all the people but to us who had been chosen by God as witnesses, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴² And he commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one appointed by God to be judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³ To him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

A Here ends the reading.

THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN’S		
Today	9:45 a.m.	Easter Breakfast
	10:00 a.m.	Senior Choir
	11:00 a.m.	Festival Worship: Communion
Monday 4/10	7:00 p.m.	Council meeting
Wednesday 4/12	9:30 a.m.	Children’s Hour
	6:15 p.m.	Senior Bells
	7:30 p.m.	Senior Choir
Thursday 4/13	9:30 a.m.	Children’s Hour
	6:00 p.m.	NALC Youth dinner with Heather Reusch at St. John’s
	6:00 p.m.	Community Youth Event with Heather Reusch
Friday 4/14	6:00 p.m.	Community Youth Event with Heather Reusch
Sunday 4/16	8:30 a.m.	Worship: Rock of our Salvation
	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:00 a.m.	Senior Choir
	11:00 a.m.	Worship: Communion

PSALM

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24, antiphon, Psalm 118:24



Give thanks to the LORD, for | He is good;*
His mercy en- | dures forever.

²Let Israel | now proclaim,*

"His mercy en- | dures forever."

¹⁴The LORD is my strength | and my song,*
and He has become | my salvation.

**¹⁵There is a sound of exulta- | tion and victory*
in the tents | of the righteous:**

¹⁶"The right hand of the | LORD has triumphed!*" **R**
The right hand of the LORD is exalted!
The right hand of the | LORD has triumphed!"

¹⁷I shall not | die, but live,*

and declare the works | of the LORD. R

¹⁸The LORD has pun- | ished me sorely,*
but He did not hand me o- | ver to death.

¹⁹Open for me the | gates of righteousness;*

I will enter them; I will offer thanks | to the LORD.

²⁰"This is the gate | of the LORD;*" **R**
he who is right- | eous may enter."

²¹I will give thanks to You, for You | answered me*

and have become | my salvation. R

²²The same stone which the build- | ers rejected*
has become the chief | cornerstone.

²³This is | the LORD's doing,*

and it is marvelous | in our eyes.

²⁴On this day the | LORD has acted;*" **R**
we will rejoice and be | glad in it.

SECOND LESSON

Colossians 3:1–4

A The Second Lesson is from the third chapter of Colossians.

If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ²Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. ³For

you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴ When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

A Here ends the reading.

***VERSE**



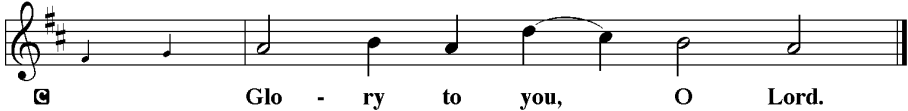
Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

***GOSPEL**

Matthew 28:1–10

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-eighth chapter.



Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

Now after the Sabbath, toward the dawn of the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. ² And behold, there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven and came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. ³ His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. ⁴ And for fear of him the guards trembled and became like dead men. ⁵ But the angel said to the women, “Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. ⁶ He is not here, for he has risen, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. ⁷ Then go quickly and tell his disciples that he has risen from the dead, and behold, he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him. See, I have told you.” ⁸ So they departed quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. ⁹ And behold, Jesus met them and said, “Greetings!” And they came up and took hold of his feet and worshiped him. ¹⁰ Then Jesus said to them, “Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee, and there they will see me.”

P The Gospel of the Lord.



Praise to you, O Christ.

***HYMN OF THE DAY**

“Thine Is the Glory”

LBW 145

SERMON

***NICENE CREED**

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen

***THE PRAYERS**

A In the power of the Holy Spirit, let us pray to the Father of our risen Lord Jesus, on behalf of the world, the Church, and one another.

A brief silence

Thank you, dear Father, for the forgiveness, peace, and salvation won for us by your beloved Son. Tune our hearts to sing his praise. Purify our spirits so we may see his beauty forever. Fortify our minds to learn the depths of his love. Open our mouths to proclaim his victory over our ancient enemy. Direct our hands – one to clasp his nail-scarred hand, the other to draw a fellow sinner closer to his loving embrace. Fill us with your Spirit, so that in all things, we bear witness to Jesus' triumph over sin, death, and the devil. LORD In Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

Other intercessions are offered.

P Into Your hands, O LORD, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ our LORD.

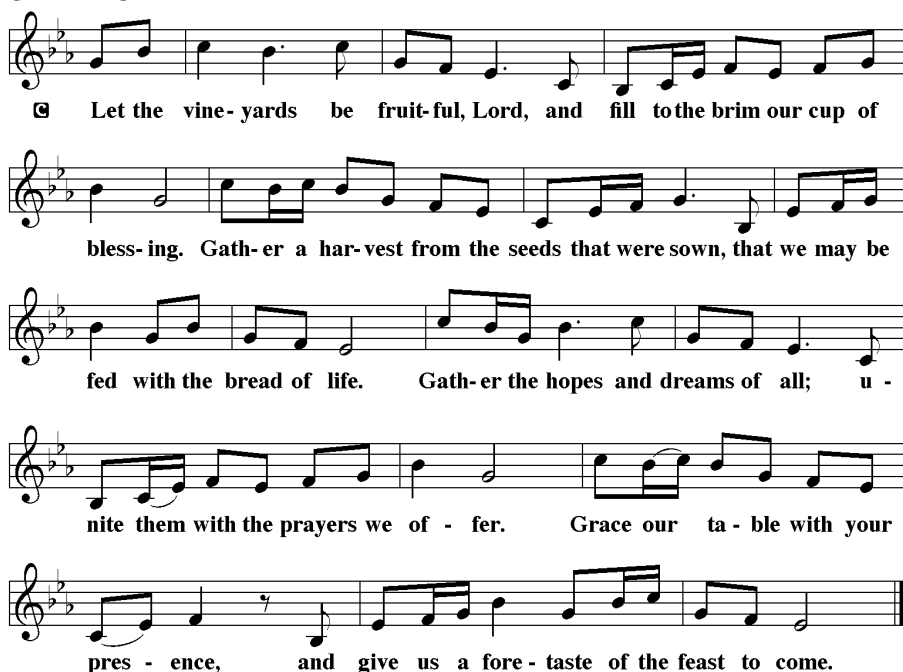
C **Amen**

***PEACE**

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

*OFFERTORY



☞ Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of
bless-ing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be
fed with the bread of life. Gath-er the hopes and dreams of all; u -
nite them with the prayers we of - fer. Grace our ta - ble with your
pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

A Let us pray.

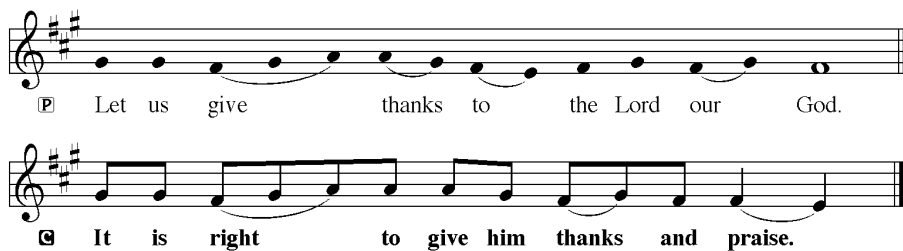
A Blessed are you,

C O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through Your goodness You have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to Your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that You have made, for the sake of Him who gave Himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

*GREAT THANKSGIVING



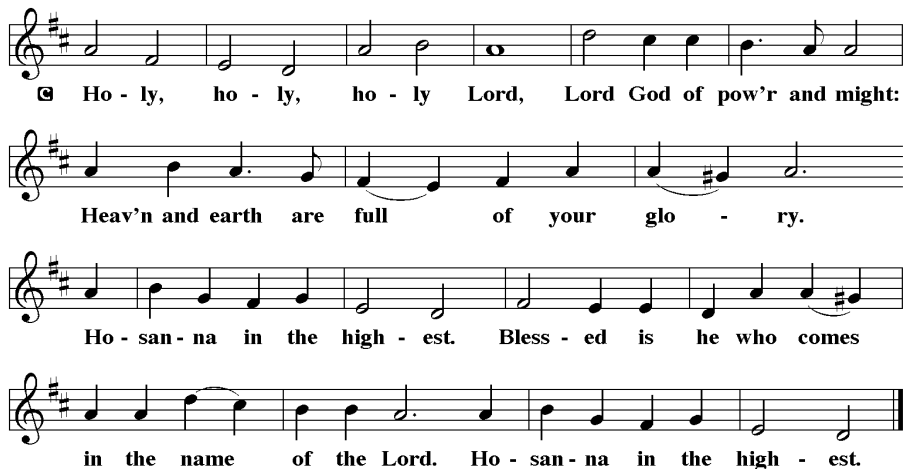
☞ The Lord be with you. ☞ And al - so with you.
☞ Lift up your hearts. ☞ We lift them to the Lord.



PREFACE

P It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to You, O Lord, Holy Father, almighty and ever-living God. But chiefly we are bound to praise You for the glorious resurrection of our Lord; for He is the true Passover Lamb who gave Himself to take away our sin, who by His death has destroyed death, and by His rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise Your name and join their unending hymn:

*SANCTUS



*EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

P Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father:
Endless is Your mercy and eternal Your reign.
You have filled all creation with light and life;
heaven and earth are full of Your glory.
Through Abraham You promised to bless all nations.
You rescued Israel, Your chosen people.
Through the prophets You renewed Your promise;
and, at this end of all the ages, You sent Your Son,
who in words and deeds proclaimed Your kingdom
and was obedient to Your will, even to giving His life.

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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup
we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

C Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P Therefore, gracious Father, with this bread and cup
we remember the life our Lord offered for us.

And, believing the witness of His resurrection, we await His coming in power
to share with us the great and promised feast.

C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit,
the spirit of our Lord and of His resurrection,
that we who receive the Lord's body and blood
may live to the praise of Your glory
and receive our inheritance with all Your saints in light.

C Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

P Join our prayers with those of Your servants of every time and
every place, and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our
Great High Priest until He comes as victorious Lord of all.

The musical score is written on three staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The first staff contains the lyrics 'Through him, with him, in him, in the u-ni-ty'. The second staff contains 'of the Ho-ly Spir-it, all hon-or and glo-ry is'. The third staff contains 'yours, al-might-y Fa-ther, now and for-ev-er. A-men'. The score ends with a double bar line.

Through him, with him, in him, in the u-ni-ty
of the Ho-ly Spir-it, all hon-or and glo-ry is
yours, al-might-y Fa-ther, now and for-ev-er. A-men

*THE LORD'S PRAYER

C 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



C Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world;



grant us peace, grant us peace.

COMMUNION HYMNS

LBW 132, 135, 210, 128, 144

COMMUNION

*All who are baptized and believe that Christ is truly present in
the Lord's Supper are invited to receive this Sacrament with us.*

Children are invited forward to be blessed.

Gluten-Free Communion Wafers

*For those that require special dietary restrictions, we now have gluten-free, communion
wafers. Please inform the Pastor of your needs.*

The body of Christ, given for you.

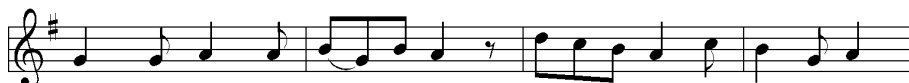
The blood of Christ, shed for you.

Amen.

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

C Amen

*CANTICLE



☐ Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.



Let ev-'ry-one who seeks the Lord re-joice and proud-ly bear his name.



He re-calls his prom-is-es and leads his peo-ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia.

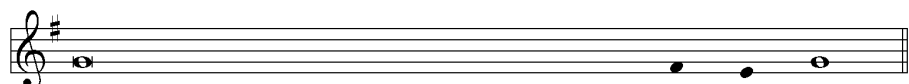
*POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

A Let us pray.

A We give You thanks, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in Your mercy You would strengthen us, through this gift, in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen

*BLESSING



☐ The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you
and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✚ give you peace.



☐ A - men

RECESSIONAL HYMN

"Christ Is Risen! Alleluia!"

LBW 131

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

"Christ the Lord is Risen Today"

arr. Bish

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A Nursery/Cry Room is available on the second floor of the Education Building for those who may need it.



❖ **Week of April 10th**
Heather Reusch

will be back in Armstrong
County, having the
opportunity to speak at our
local High Schools!

While Heather is here...
She will continue her message
here at St. John's with
St. John's Youth and
Our Community Youth!



❖ **Thursday April 13th**
NALC Youth Dinner with Heather
6-7pm At St. John's Kittanning

❖ **Friday April 14th**
6:00-9:00pm
Community Youth Event
with Heather
at St. John's Kittanning
Grades 6-12
Prayer Music Game
Food Prizes Fun
Parents and Educators Welcome
Call 724-548-2051 for more info.



*Annual Spring Concert
Sunday, May 7th, 2022*

*St. John's Lutheran Church
218 N. Jefferson Street
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At 7:00 p.m.

in the Sanctuary.

The Senior & Junior Bell Choirs

and

the Senior & Children's Vocal Choirs

(under the direction of Rebecca Veith)

**Mark your calendars...
you don't want to miss this!**

*The concert is free and open to the public,
so bring your family, friends and neighbors
and celebrate spring with us! Refreshments to follow*

SERVICE PARTICIPANTS

Assisting Minister
Lector
Comm. Assistants
Acolytes

Welcome Team
Camera Operator

Charlesetta Bleakney
Gene Hughes
Tabitha Bowser, Rose Montgomery
Lucas & Camryn Bowser
Stella & Anna Venesky
The Choncek family
Robert John

BRASS ENSEMBLE

French Horn
Euphonium
Baritone
Trumpet
Timpani

Frank Baker
Dave Lindeman
Brendan Swanson
Dan Minnich
Nick Wranich

STAFF MEMBERS

Director of Children's & Youth Ministry
Secretary
Sexton
Organist/Choir Director/Director of Music
Sr. Choir Accompanist

Julie Smith
Christine Lettrich
Michael Craft
Rebecca Veith
Elizabeth Cramer



The flowers on the altar this morning are presented to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Edward M. Berringer by daughter, Karen Waugaman.

OUR MISSION

St. John's Lutheran Church is a group of people who believe that we are saved by God's grace and who respond to God's love by joyfully serving God, each other, our community and our world. We will humbly and lovingly serve by proclaiming the Gospel, teaching the Word, offering Sacraments, leading others to fellowship, supporting those in need, giving generously of our talents as well as our resources and by thanking and praising God.

GRACE
happens



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