



We Are Called...  
**ADVENT**

**WE ARE CALLED TO ACTION...**

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Sunday, October 3, 2021  
19<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost

# GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

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## PRELUDE

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## 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 ELEISON

[ELW pg 184]

*Refrain*



Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, on our world and on our way.



Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, ev-'ry day. *(to verses, sung by leader)*

## HYMN OF PRAISE

### *This Is the Feast*

[ELW pg 187]

*Refrain*




This is the feast of vic-t'ry for our God, for the



Lamb who was slain has be-gun his reign. Al-le-lu-ia.




1 Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be




peo-ple of God. Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and

*Refrain*



hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his. This is the feast of




vic-t'ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign. Al -



le - lu - ia. 2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and



join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,



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

*Final refrain*



This is the feast of vic - t'ry for our God, for the



Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

*Sovereign God, you have created us to live in loving community with one another. Form us for life that is faithful and steadfast, and teach us to trust like little children, that we may reflect the image of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.*

**Amen.**

## **WORD**

*God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song*

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## **CHILDREN'S TIME**

### **READING – Hebrews 1:1 – 4, 2:5 - 12**

*A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.*

*Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word.*

*When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.*

*Now God did not subject the coming world, about which we are speaking, to angels. But someone has testified somewhere,*

*"What are human beings that you are mindful of them, or mortals, that you care for them? You have made them for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned them with glory and honor, subjecting all things under their feet."*

*Now in subjecting all things to them, God left nothing outside their control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to them, but we do see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.*

*It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, saying,*

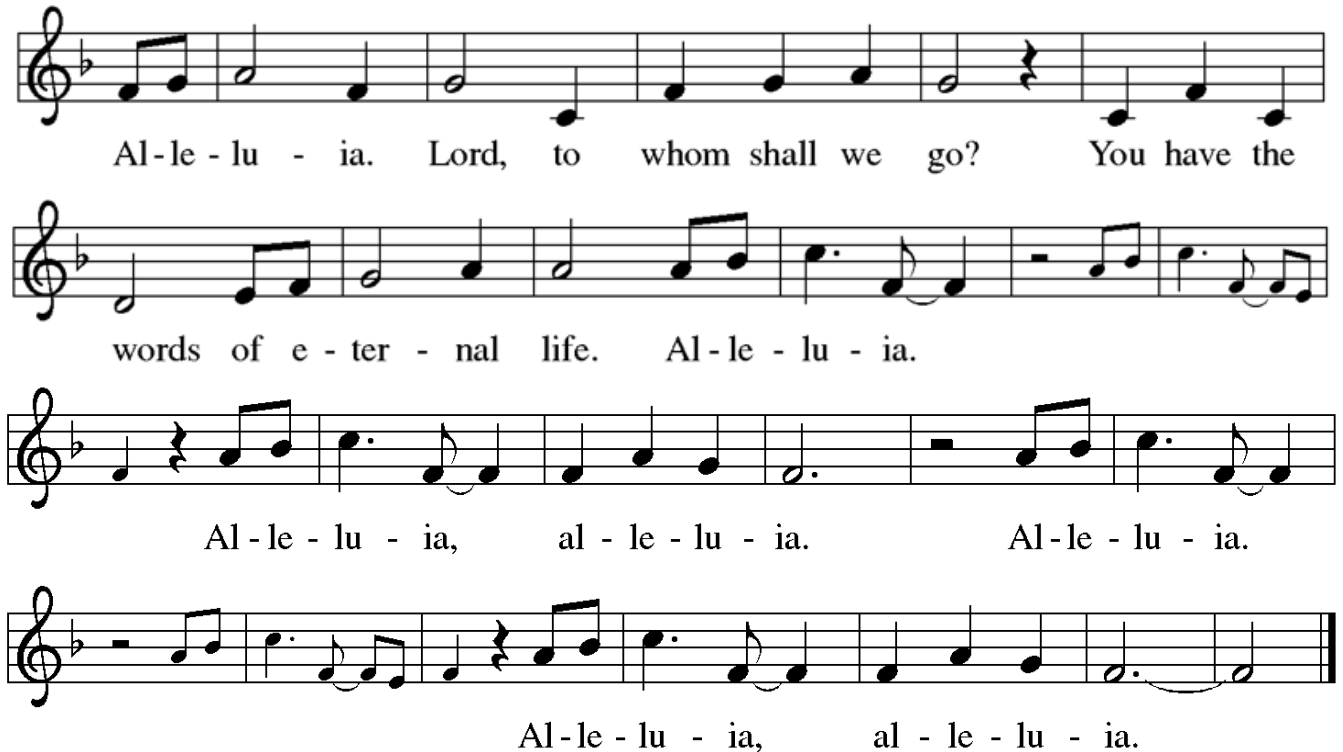
*"I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters, in the midst of the congregation I will praise you."*

*Word of God. Word of life.*

**Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

[ELW pg 188]



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## HOLY GOSPEL – Mark 10:2 - 16

*The holy gospel according to Mark.*

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*Some Pharisees came, and to test [Jesus] they asked, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?" He answered them, "What did Moses command you?" They said, "Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her." But Jesus said to them, "Because of your hardness of heart he wrote this commandment for you. But from the beginning of creation, 'God made them male and female.' 'For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.' So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate."*

*Then in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. He said to them, "Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery."*

*People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it." And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.*

*The gospel of the Lord.*

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON – Pastor Peter Carlson Schaffauer

HYMN

God Is Here!

[ELW 526]



1 God is here! As we your peo - ple meet to of - fer  
 2 Here are sym - bols to re - mind us of our life - long  
 3 Here our chil - dren find a wel - come in the Shep - herd's  
 4 Lord of all, of church and king - dom, in an age of



praise and prayer, may we find in full - er mea - sure  
 need of grace; here are ta - ble, font, and pul - pit;  
 flock and fold; here as bread and wine are tak - en,  
 change and doubt, keep us faith - ful to the gos - pel;



what it is in Christ we share. Here, as in the  
 here the cross has cen - tral place. Here in hon - es -  
 Christ sus - tains us as of old. Here the ser - vants  
 help us work your pur - pose out. Here, in this day's



world a - round us, all our var - ied skills and arts  
 ty of preach - ing, here in si - lence, as in speech,  
 of the Ser - vant seek in wor - ship to ex - plore  
 ded - i - ca - tion, all we have to give, re - ceive;



wait the com - ing of the Spir - it in - to o - pen minds and hearts.  
 here, in new - ness and re - new - al, God the Spir - it comes to each.  
 what it means in dai - ly liv - ing to be - lieve and to a - dore.  
 we, who can - not live with - out you, we a - dore you! We be - lieve!

## 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 into 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 THE PEOPLE

### Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying

[ELW 752]

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of two systems of music. The first system has a treble clef staff with a melody and a bass clef staff with a bass line. Above the treble staff, the chords D, D7, G, D, E7, and A7 are indicated. The lyrics are: "Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, Lord, send your Spir-it in this place;". The second system follows the same format with the lyrics: "Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace." The score ends with a double bar line.

## PASSING OF THE PEACE

*The peace of Christ be with you always.*  
**And also with you.**

# MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

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## OFFERING

### CHORAL ANTHEM

#### *Pray for the People*

by Pepper Choplin

## OFFERTORY

### We Are an Offering

[ELW 692]

We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our  
lives up to You: we are an offering. Lord, use our voices, Lord, use our  
hands, Lord, use our lives, they are Yours: we are an offering.

All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be, we  
give to you, we give to you. We lift our  
voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to You: we are an  
offering. Lord, use our voices, Lord, use our hands, Lord, use our  
lives, they are Yours: we are an offering. We are an offering.



## COMMUNION GREETING

*The Lord be with you.*

**And also with you.**

*Lift up your hearts.*

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

*Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.*

**It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

*It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...*

*...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:*

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

## COMMUNION PRAYER

*Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord...*

*...with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever.*

**Amen.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done,**

**on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins**

**as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us**

**from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever.**

**Amen.**

## LAMB OF GOD

[ELW pg 191]



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, Lamb of God.

## COMMUNION BLESSING

*May the body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ, strengthen you and give you peace.*

**Amen.**

## SENDING

*God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.*

## BENEDICTION

### HYMN

### We Praise You, O God

[ELW 870]



1 We praise you, O God, our re - deem - er, cre - a - tor;  
2 We wor - ship you, God of our fa - thers and mo - thers;  
3 With voic - es u - nit - ed our prais - es we of - fer



in grate - ful de - vo - tion our trib - ute we bring.  
through tri - al and tem - pest our guide you have been.  
and glad - ly our songs of thanks - giv - ing we raise.



We lay it be - fore you; we kneel and a - dore you;  
When per - ils o'er - take us, you will not for - sake us,  
With you, Lord, be - side us, your strong arm will guide us.



we bless your ho - ly name; glad prais - es we sing.  
and with your help, O Lord, our strug - gles we win.  
To you, our great re - deem - er, for - ev - er be praise!

## DISMISSAL

*Go in peace. Serve the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE

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