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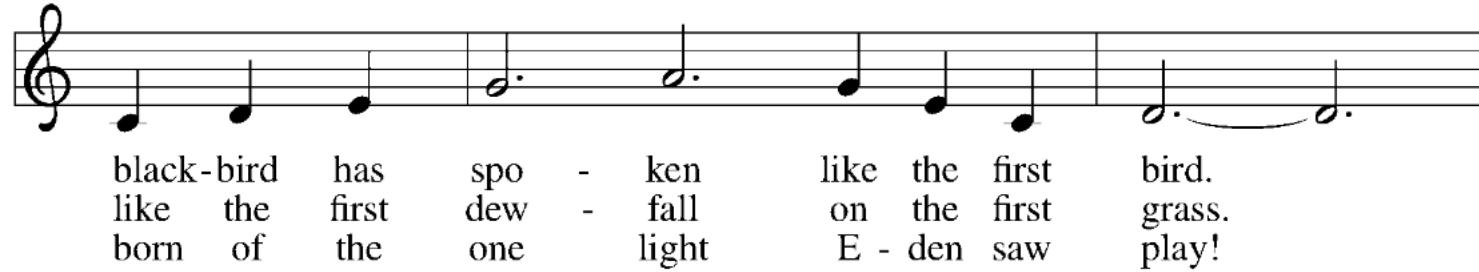
September 14, 2025
14th Pentecost

WELCOME

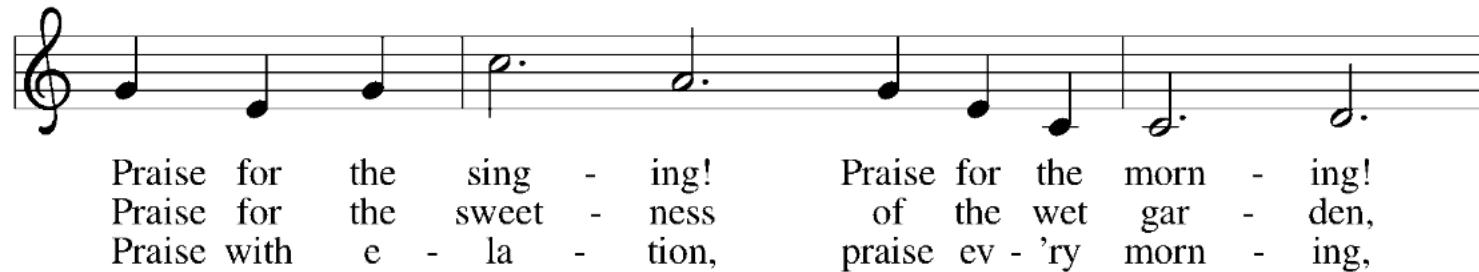
GATHERING HYMN: *Morning Has Broken* (ELW 556)



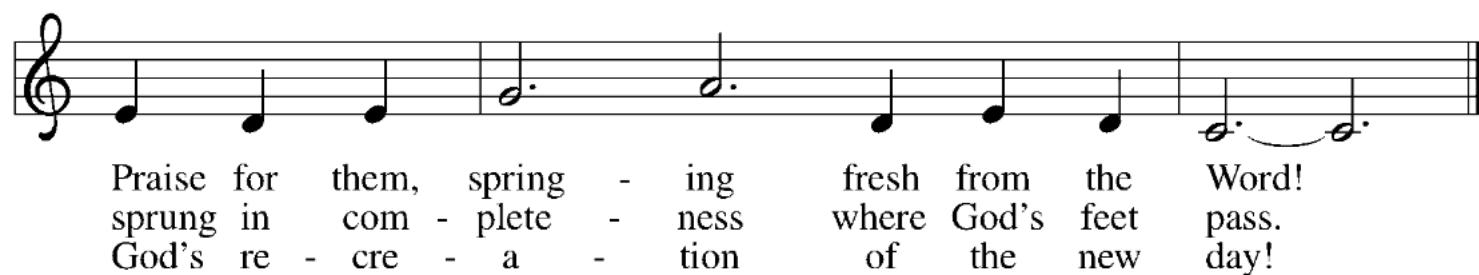
1 Morn - ing has bro - ken like the first morn - ing;
2 Sweet the rain's new fall, sun - lit from heav - en,
3 Mine is the sun - light! Mine is the morn - ing,



black - bird has spo - ken like the first bird.
like the first dew - fall on the first grass.
born of the one light E - den saw play!



Praise for the sing - ing! Praise for the morn - ing!
Praise for the sweet - ness of the wet gar - den,
Praise with e - la - tion, praise ev - 'ry morn - ing,



Praise for them, spring - ing fresh from the Word!
sprung in com - plete - ness where God's feet pass.
God's re - cre - a - tion of the new day!

CALL TO CONFESSION

Creation displays the glory of God,
but our sin keeps us from rejoicing
in the love God reveals.

Yet Christ Jesus carried our sins to the cross,
and the Holy Spirit breathes new life into us
so that we can praise God,
our Maker, Savior, and Life-Giver.

Let us confess our sins,
that we may receive such grace.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We pray together.
Presence, Life, Fire,
we confess that we have turned away from you.

We gaze upon ourselves
as if we are worthy of worship.
We take your creation into our hands,
not to love, but to use and then to discard.

We go to the people of the land,
not to serve, but to press them into our service.
We do not deserve that you would even notice us,
but we pray for mercy because you are merciful.

Flame of Love, purify us from sin;
Eternal Now, lead us to your truth;
Risen One, baptize us into union with you.
Transform us into faithful disciples who worship you alone. Amen.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

The Holy One of Israel,
the Redeemer of all the world,
and the Holy Spirit who comes as the breath of new life
forgets the sins of all who repent.
I declare to you, therefore, that you are forgiven,
in the name of the Father,  Son, and Holy Spirit,
one God, Mother of us all.

GREETING

May 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

Refrain

Ky-ri-e e - lei - son, on our world and on our way.
Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, ev'-ry day.

1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the
2 That we may live out your im - pas-sioned re - sponse to the
3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . . for
4 For your Spir - it to guide; that you cen - ter our lives in the

u - ni - ty of all; for
hun - gry and the poor; that
friends and fam - i - ly; for
wa - ter and the word; that you

this ho - ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,
we may live out . . . truth and jus - tice and grace,
life and for love, . . . for our work and our play,
nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod - y and blood,

Refrain

let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

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

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Creator of all,

from the vast heavens to the smallest seed, through earthquakes and fires, to mountains and renewal, your hands have shaped and sustained all that is. You breathe life into us and the world, and call us to care for it with reverence and joy. Open our eyes to the beauty around us, our hearts to gratitude, and our lives to faithful stewardship. Through Jesus Christ, the Word through whom all things were made, and in the power of the Spirit who renews the face of the earth. Amen.

FIRST READING: Genesis 1:1-28

¹ When God began to create the heavens and the earth, ² the earth was complete chaos, and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters.

³ Then God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. ⁴ And God saw that the light was good, and God separated the light from the darkness. ⁵ God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

⁶ And God said, "Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters." ⁷ So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. ⁸ God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

⁹ And God said, "Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear." And it was so. ¹⁰ God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. ¹¹ Then God said, "Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it." And it was so. ¹² The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. ¹³ And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

¹⁴ And God said, "Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night, and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, ¹⁵ and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth." And it was so. ¹⁶ God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. ¹⁷ God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, ¹⁸ to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. ¹⁹ And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

²⁰ And God said, "Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky." ²¹ So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. ²² God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth." ²³ And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

²⁴ And God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind." And it was so. ²⁵ God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind and the cattle of every kind and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good.

²⁶ Then God said, "Let us make humans in our image, according to our likeness, and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over the cattle and over all the wild animals of the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth."

²⁷ So God created humans in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.

²⁸ God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth."

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 104:10-24

¹⁰ You made the springs into rivers
that flow between the mountains.

¹¹ All the animals drink their fill from them,
and the wild donkeys quench their thirst.

¹² Beside them the birds of the air make their nests;
among the branches they lift their voice.

¹³ From your dwelling on high, you water the mountains;
the earth is satisfied with the fruit of your works.

¹⁴ You make grass grow for the cattle, and plants to serve humankind;
that they may bring forth food from the earth,

¹⁵ wine to gladden human hearts, oil to make the face shine,
and bread to strengthen the human heart.

¹⁶ The trees of the LORD are well supplied,
the cedars of Lebanon that you planted,

¹⁷ in which the birds build their nests,
while the stork makes the fir trees its dwelling.

¹⁸ The high hills belong to the mountain goats,
and the stony cliffs are a refuge for the badgers.

¹⁹ You made the moon to mark the seasons,
and the sun knows the time of its setting.

²⁰ You bring on darkness that it may be night,
in which all the beasts of the forest prowl.

²¹ The lions roar for their prey
seeking their food from God.

²² The sun rises, and they withdraw
and lay themselves down in their dens.

²³ People go forth to their work
and to their labor until the evening.

²⁴ How manifold are your works, O LORD!
In wisdom you have made them all;
the earth is full of your creatures.

SECOND READING: Job 12:7-10

⁷ “But ask the animals, and they will teach you, the birds of the air, and they will tell you; ⁸ ask the plants of the earth, and they will teach you, and the fish of the sea will declare to you. ⁹ Who among all these does not know that the hand of the LORD has done this? ¹⁰ In his hand is the life of every living thing and the breath of every human being.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL VERSE



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.

GOSPEL: Luke 12:22-31

The holy gospel according to Saint Luke, the twelfth chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

²² He said to his disciples, “Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat, or about your body, what you will wear. ²³ For life is more than food and the body more than clothing.

²⁴ Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds! ²⁵ And which of you by worrying can add a single hour to your span of life? ²⁶ If then you are not able to do so small a thing as that, why do you worry about the rest?

²⁷ Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. ²⁸ But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you, you of little faith!

²⁹ And do not keep seeking what you are to eat and what you are to drink, and do not keep worrying. ³⁰ For it is the nations of the world that seek all these things, and your Father knows that you need them. ³¹ Instead, seek his kingdom, and these things will be given to you as well.

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

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY: *This Is My Father's World* (ELW 824)



1 This is my Fa-ther's world, and to my lis-t'ning ears all
2 This is my Fa-ther's world; the birds their car - ols raise; the
3 This is my Fa-ther's world; oh, let me not for - get that,



na - ture sings, and round me rings the mu - sic of the spheres.
morn - ing light, the lil - y white, de - clare their mak - er's praise.
though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the rul - er yet.



This is my Fa-ther's world; I rest me in the thought of
This is my Fa-ther's world; he shines in all that's fair. In the
This is my Fa-ther's world; why should my heart be sad? The



rocks and trees, of skies and seas; his hand the won - ders wrought.
rus - tling grass I hear him pass; he speaks to me ev -'ry - where.
Lord is king, let heav - en ring; God reigns, let earth be glad!

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

Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, Lord, send your Spir-it in this place;
Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray-ing, send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.

Let us pray for the church, the creation, and the whole people of God. You call us to delight in your word. Form us as a community where sorrow and joy can both be shared. Enable all who gather here to be nourished and renewed.

Creator God, today let all things now living raise a song of thanksgiving. The stars, the sun, the hills and mountains, the rivers and oceans, all proclaim You divine. Let us raise our voices together with all creation in praise to you.

Creator God, you give us a heart for your people. As you gather us at your table of plenty remind us that we are called to serve. Where there is hunger among us, open our hands. Where we are indifferent to the needs of others, open our hearts.

Creator God, we lift up all who suffer. Bring healing, comfort, and peace to those who are sick, grieving, or in pain. Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, in the name of the one who reconciled all creation to himself, Jesus Christ our Savior.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY: *Here I Am, Lord* (ELW 574)

1 "I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my peo - ple cry.
2 "I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my peo - ple's pain.
3 "I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.

All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.
I have wept for love of them. They turn a - way.
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.

I, who made the stars of night, I will make their dark-ness bright.
I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love a - lone.
Fin-est bread I will pro-vide till their hearts be sat - is - fied.

Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?"
I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?"
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?"

Refrain

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you
call-ing in the night. I will go, Lord, if you
lead me. I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray together.

For all that you have given us, we thank you, gracious God.

For day and night, evening and morning,

for land and sea, for fish and birds, plants and animals, for humankind,

and for your Son, who came among us with the gift of life abundant.

Let your Holy Spirit abide in our midst and work through our gifts,

that all people may have joy and peace,

in Jesus' name. Amen.

THE 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.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

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.**

COMMUNION

All are welcome to join in the gift of Holy Communion.

White grape juice is available and all altar bread is gluten-free.

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

and each person may respond

Amen.

LAMB OF GOD



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 HYMN: *All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly* (ELW 461)



1 All who hun - ger, gath - er glad - ly; ho - ly man - na is our bread.
2 All who hun - ger, nev - er strang - ers; seek - er, be a wel - come guest.
3 All who hun - ger, sing to - geth - er, Je - sus Christ is liv - ing bread.



Come from wil - der - ness and wan - d'ring. Here in truth we will be fed.
Come from rest-less - ness and roam - ing. Here in joy we keep the feast.
Come from lone - li - ness and long - ing. Here in peace we have been fed.



You that yearn for days of full-ness, all a-round us is our food.
We that once were lost and scat-tered in com - mu - nion's love have stood.
Blest are those who from this ta - ble live their days in grat - i - tude.



Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal. Taste and see that God is good.
Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal. Taste and see that God is good.
Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal. Taste and see that God is good.

COMMUNION HYMN: *Let Us Break Bread Together* (ELW 471)



1 Let us break bread to - geth-er on our knees;
2 Let us drink wine to - geth-er on our knees;
3 Let us praise God to - geth-er on our knees;



let us break bread to - geth-er on our knees.
let us drink wine to - geth-er on our knees.
let us praise God to - geth-er on our knees.



When I fall on my knees, with my face to the ris - ing



sun, O Lord, have mer-cy on me.

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

Now may the body and blood of our lord and savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace. Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray together.

O God, our life, our strength, our food, we give you thanks for sustaining us with the body and blood of your Son. By your Holy Spirit, enliven us to be his body in the world, that more and more we will give you praise and serve your earth and its many peoples, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

BLESSING

The eternal Creator calls us.

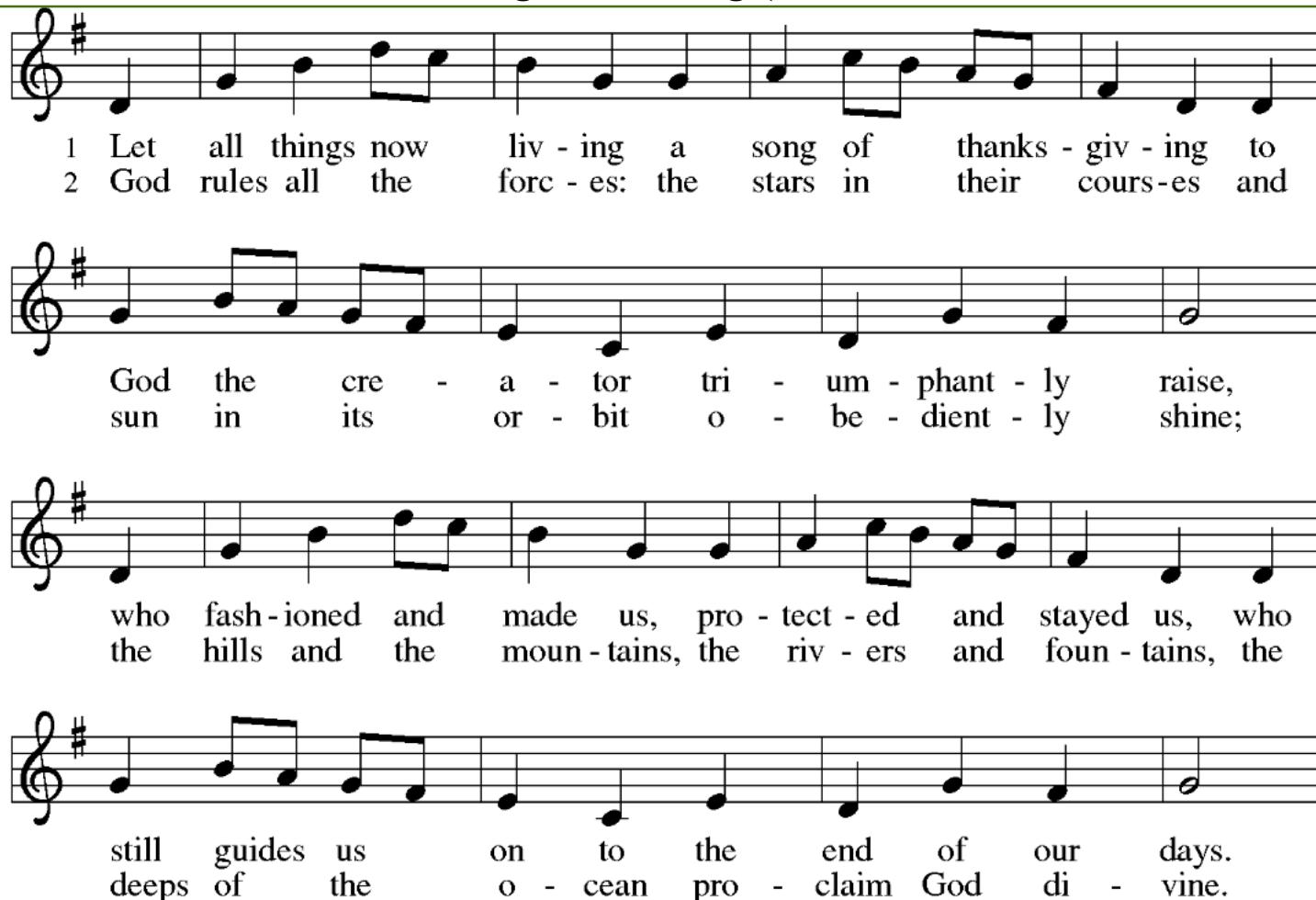
The risen Savior sends us.

The dynamic Spirit empowers us.

So may almighty God, Father,  Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN: *Let All Things Now Living* (ELW)



1 Let all things now living a song of thanks - giv - ing to
2 God rules all the forc - es: the stars in their cours - es and

God the cre - a - tor tri - um - phant - ly raise,
sun in its or - bit o - be - dient - ly shine;

who fash - ioned and made us, pro - tect - ed and stayed us, who
the hills and the moun - tains, the riv - ers and foun - tains, the

still guides us on to the end of our days.
deeps of the o - cean pro - claim God di - vine.



God's ban - ners are o'er us, God's light goes be -
We too should be voic - ing our love and re -

fore us, a pil - lar of fire shin - ing forth in the night,
joic - ing; with glad ad - o - ra - tion a song let us raise

till shad - ows have van - ished and dark - ness is ban - ished, as
till all things now liv - ing u - nite in thanks - giv - ing: "To

for - ward we trav - el from light in - to light.
God in the high - est, ho - san - na and praise!"

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

Serving in Worship

TODAY — Sep 14, 2025
Reader: **Martha Leonard**
Assistant: **OPEN**
Fellowship: **Trinity Council**

NEXT SUNDAY — Sep 21, 2025
Reader: **OPEN**
Assistant: **OPEN**
Fellowship: **OPEN**

