

# Online Worship – September 27, 2020

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Welcome to St. Andrews Lutheran Church in San Mateo, CA and our online worship service. Please feel free to pause this video, you may want to have a lit candle in front of you. Materials you may want to have: small bowl of water, a small bit of olive or cooking oil, bread/cracker/tortilla, and wine/juice. Feel share this bulletin and this worship service with friends, family, or neighbors.

## **Prelude**

## **Welcome**

**“We welcome all people as children of God** and invite them to participate fully in the life and ministry at St. Andrew’s regardless of age, race, gender, education, ethnic origin, marital or family status, cultural heritage, sexual orientation, gender identity, economic reality or diversity of ability. We resolve to be a church with open hearts, open minds, open doors and seeking to be reconciled to God and one another.” St. Andrews voted to be a Reconciling in Christ congregation that has a special welcome for the LGBTQ+ community.

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Gathering Hymn

WOV #718 "Here In This Place", verse 1

1 Here in this place . . . new light is stream-ing, now is the dark - ness  
2 We are the young, our lives are a mys - t'ry, we are the old who  
3 Here we will take the wine and the wa - ter, here we will take the  
4 Not in the dark of build-ings con - fin - ing, not in some heav - en,

van - ished a - way; see in this space our fears and our dream-ings  
yearn for your face; we have been sung through-out all of his - t'ry,  
bread of new birth, here you shall call your sons and your daugh-ters,  
light years a - way— here in this place the new light is shin - ing,

brought here to you in the light of this day.  
called to be light to the whole hu-man race.  
call us a-new to be salt for the earth.  
now is the king-dom, and now is the day.

D A C G Gm Dm  
C G D A C G  
Gm Dm C D C/D Gm<sup>6</sup>/D D

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Gath-er us in, the lost and for - sak - en, gath - er us in, the  
Gath-er us in, the rich and the haugh-ty, gath - er us in, the  
Give us to drink the wine of com-pas - sion, give us to eat the  
Gath-er us in and hold us for - ev - er, gath - er us in and

A C D G A C

blind and the lame; call to us now, and we shall a - wak - en,  
proud and the strong; give us a heart, so meek and so low - ly,  
bread that is you; nour-ish us well, and teach us to fash-ion  
make us your own; gath - er us in, all peop - les to - geth - er,

D G A D A C G

we shall a - rise at the sound of our name.  
give us the cour-age to en - ter the song.  
lives that are ho - ly and hearts that are true.  
fire . . . of love in our flesh and our bone.

Gm Dm C D C/D Gm<sup>6</sup>/D D

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## **Confession/Forgiveness**

Pastor: Too often our hearts are cold and without gratitude. Too often our hands are passive and unwilling to carry out acts of mercy. Too often our lips are pursed tightly, unwilling to speak words of love. Too often we are indeed separated and alienated from our better self, separated and alienated from God. Let us confess our separation as we join together in the prayer of confession. (Flames of the Spirit, pg. 72 By Richard Eick)

**Congregation: O Holy One, who is filled with light and love, we try each day to keep your commandments. We find ourselves making mistakes. This doesn't mean that we are failures, but that at times we fail in our goals to love you and to love our neighbors. Help us to let go of guilt and shame. "Help us to take failing, not as a measure of our worth, but as a chance for a new start." We turn our mistakes over to you and ask that you forgive us. In Jesus' name we pray.**

**AMEN** (CWE and the Book of Common Prayer)

## **Words of Assurance:**

Pastor: Hear the good news! God has forgiven each one of us and calls us to take our parts in the drama of forgiveness and reconciling love. Praise God, who accepts and uses our very human lives in the unfolding story of new life! **AMEN** (Flames of the Spirit, pg. 81 By Ruth Duck)

## **Apostolic Greeting**

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

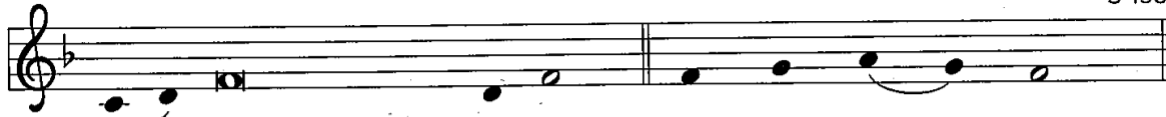
**Congregation: And also with you.**

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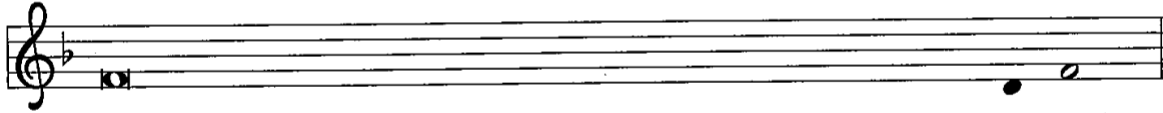
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## Kyrie

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



For the peace from above, and for our salvation, 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.

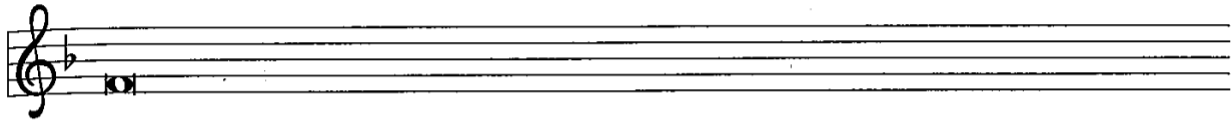
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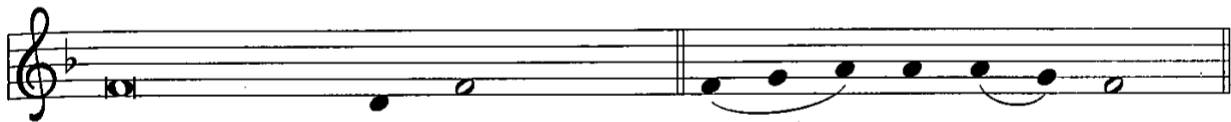
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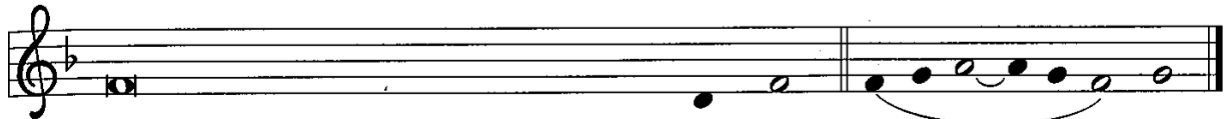
Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



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



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. A - men.

## Prayer of the Day

Grant us, Lord God, a vision of your world as your love would have it:

a world where the weak are protected, and none go hungry or poor;  
a world where the riches of creation are shared, and everyone can enjoy them;  
a world where different races and cultures live in harmony and mutual respect;  
a world where peace is built with justice, and justice is guided by love...

May it be so through our lives, in honor of those who have come before and those who will follow after us.

Amen.

- adapted from the [UCC Prayers for Justice and Peace](#)

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## First Reading      Ezra 9:5-15

At the evening sacrifice I got up from my fasting, with my garments and my mantle torn, and fell on my knees, spread out my hands to the LORD my God, <sup>6</sup>and said, “O my God, I am too ashamed and embarrassed to lift my face to you, my God, for our iniquities have risen higher than our heads, and our guilt has mounted up to the heavens. <sup>7</sup>From the days of our ancestors to this day we have been deep in guilt, and for our iniquities we, our kings, and our priests have been handed over to the kings of the lands, to the sword, to captivity, to plundering, and to utter shame, as is now the case. <sup>8</sup>But now for a brief moment favor has been shown by the LORD our God, who has left us a remnant, and given us a stake in his holy place, in order that God may brighten our eyes and grant us a little sustenance in our slavery. <sup>9</sup>For we are slaves; yet our God has not forsaken us in our slavery, but has extended to us his steadfast love before the kings of Persia, to give us new life to set up the house of our God, to repair its ruins, and to give us a wall in Judea and Jerusalem.

<sup>10</sup>“And now, our God, what shall we say after this? For we have forsaken your commandments, <sup>11</sup>which you commanded by your servants the prophets, saying, ‘The land that you are entering to possess is a land unclean with the pollutions of the peoples of the lands, with their abominations. They have filled it from end to end with their uncleanness. <sup>12</sup>Therefore do not give your daughters to their sons, neither take their daughters for your sons, and never seek their peace or prosperity, so that you may be strong and eat the good of the land and leave it for an inheritance to your children forever.’ <sup>13</sup>After all that has come upon us for our evil deeds and for our great guilt, seeing that you, our God, have punished us less than our iniquities deserved and have given us such a remnant as this, <sup>14</sup>shall we break your commandments again and intermarry with the peoples who practice these abominations? Would you not be angry with us until you destroy us without remnant or survivor? <sup>15</sup>O LORD, God of Israel, you are just, but we have escaped as a remnant, as is now the case. Here we are before you in our guilt, though no one can face you because of this.”

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

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**Psalm 28:1-2, 6-9** (Read responsively)

To you, O Lord, I call;

**my rock, do not refuse to hear me,**

for if you are silent to me,

**I shall be like those who go down to the Pit.**

<sup>2</sup>Hear the voice of my supplication,

**as I cry to you for help,**

as I lift up my hands

**toward your most holy sanctuary.**

<sup>6</sup>Blessed be the Lord,

**for God has heard the sound of my pleadings.**

<sup>7</sup>The Lord is my strength and my shield;

**in the Lord my heart trusts;**

so I am helped, and my heart exults,

**and with my song I give thanks to God.**

<sup>8</sup>The Lord is the strength of the people;

**God is the saving refuge of God's anointed.**

<sup>9</sup>O save your people, and bless your heritage;

**be their shepherd, and carry them forever.**

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Praise the Lord!**

## Gospel Acclamation





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**The Holy Gospel**

**Matthew 14:22-36**

<sup>22</sup> Immediately he made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. <sup>23</sup> And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, <sup>24</sup> but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. <sup>25</sup> And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. <sup>26</sup> But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. <sup>27</sup> But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid." <sup>28</sup> Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." <sup>29</sup> He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. <sup>30</sup> But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" <sup>31</sup> Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" <sup>32</sup> When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. <sup>33</sup> And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God." <sup>34</sup> When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret. <sup>35</sup> After the people of that place recognized him, they sent word throughout the region and brought all who were sick to him, <sup>36</sup> and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

This the Gospel of the Lord.

**Glory to you, O God.**

**Sermon**

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## Sermon Hymn WOV #710 "One Bread, One Body"

*Refrain*

One bread, one bod-y, one Lord of all;

G C/G GM<sup>7</sup> C/G G D Em B

This system contains the first line of the hymn. It features a vocal line in G major with a treble clef and a piano accompaniment in G major with a grand staff. The lyrics are "One bread, one bod-y, one Lord of all;". The piano accompaniment includes the following chords: G, C/G, GM<sup>7</sup>, C/G, G, D, Em, and B.

one cup of bless - ing which we bless,

Em D G Em A D D<sup>7</sup>

This system contains the second line of the hymn. It features a vocal line in G major with a treble clef and a piano accompaniment in G major with a grand staff. The lyrics are "one cup of bless - ing which we bless,". The piano accompaniment includes the following chords: Em, D, G, Em, A, D, and D<sup>7</sup>.

and we, though man-y through-out the earth,

G C/G GM<sup>7</sup> C/G G D Em B

This system contains the third line of the hymn. It features a vocal line in G major with a treble clef and a piano accompaniment in G major with a grand staff. The lyrics are "and we, though man-y through-out the earth,". The piano accompaniment includes the following chords: G, C/G, GM<sup>7</sup>, C/G, G, D, Em, and B.

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we are one bod - y in this one Lord.

Em D G Em A D G C/G G

1 Gen - tile or Jew, ser - vant or free,  
2 Man - y the gifts, man - y the works,  
3 Grain for the fields, scat - tered and grown,

Em D Em D

wom - an or man, no more.  
one in the Lord of all.  
gath - ered to one for all.

Em F Am D *Refrain*

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## **Apostle's 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.**

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## Prayers of the People

Compassionate and Loving God,

This week we lift up the 200,252 precious lives lost from COVID-19 in the U.S. We give thanks for our medical personnel, the cleaning staff, the technicians, the pharmacists, the security guards and the medical researchers.

We turn over to you, O God, those who grieve for these precious people: their family, coworkers, neighbors, faith communities and friends. Give comfort and peace for those who are brought low by loss.

We come in gratitude, O Holy One, that the fires that had surrounded us are now pretty much contained. Give help for those who now seek new housing after a devastating fire. We give you thanks for all those who offered hospitality and who have reached out with food, a bed in their home and a place to rest.

We now pause to offer to God all those who we know need God's healing, comfort and peace. ... We are grateful, loving Creator, that you have heard our prayers. We will be attentive to your voice as we wait for your reply.

AMEN (CWE)

## Sharing of the Peace

Pastor: Peace of the Lord be with you.

**Congregation: And also with you.**

Pastor: Let us share that peace with one another. (PEACE SIGN, BOW)

## Offering

\*I invite you to donate your offering to St. Andrews by sending in a check. You can also donate by PayPal or through our website. To contribution through PayPal, click on the heart on the homepage of our website. Or you can contact our administrative assistant, Marjorie Goodwin, at the office to setup one-time and reoccurring contributions through our vendor – Vanco, using your checking or savings account. Thank you for your contribution to the ministry of our church and the outreach that we do. Your support helps fund the ELCA ministries of Lutheran Offices for Public Policy, HIV & AIDS Ministry, AMMPARO (Accompanying Migrant Minors with Protection, Representation and Opportunities). All contributions are appreciated.

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## The Great Thanksgiving

S 144a

The Lord be with you. And al - so 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.

The image shows four staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. Each staff contains a melody line with lyrics underneath. The first staff has a double bar line in the middle. The lyrics are: 'The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.' The second staff lyrics are: 'Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.' The third staff lyrics are: 'Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.' The fourth staff lyrics are: 'It is right to give our thanks and praise.'

## Eucharistic Prayer

In every place, in every moment, God is present with us. God was present with Abraham and Sarah when God created a covenant with them. God was with Isaac and Rebekah, Jacob and Leah and Rachel as they traveled their journey of faith. God was with Moses when the Israelites left Egypt and journeyed in the desert. God was with Esther when she saved her people. God came to live among us, to heal us, teach us and love us. Jesus died and rose again to us that death is not the last word—that God brings life everlasting.

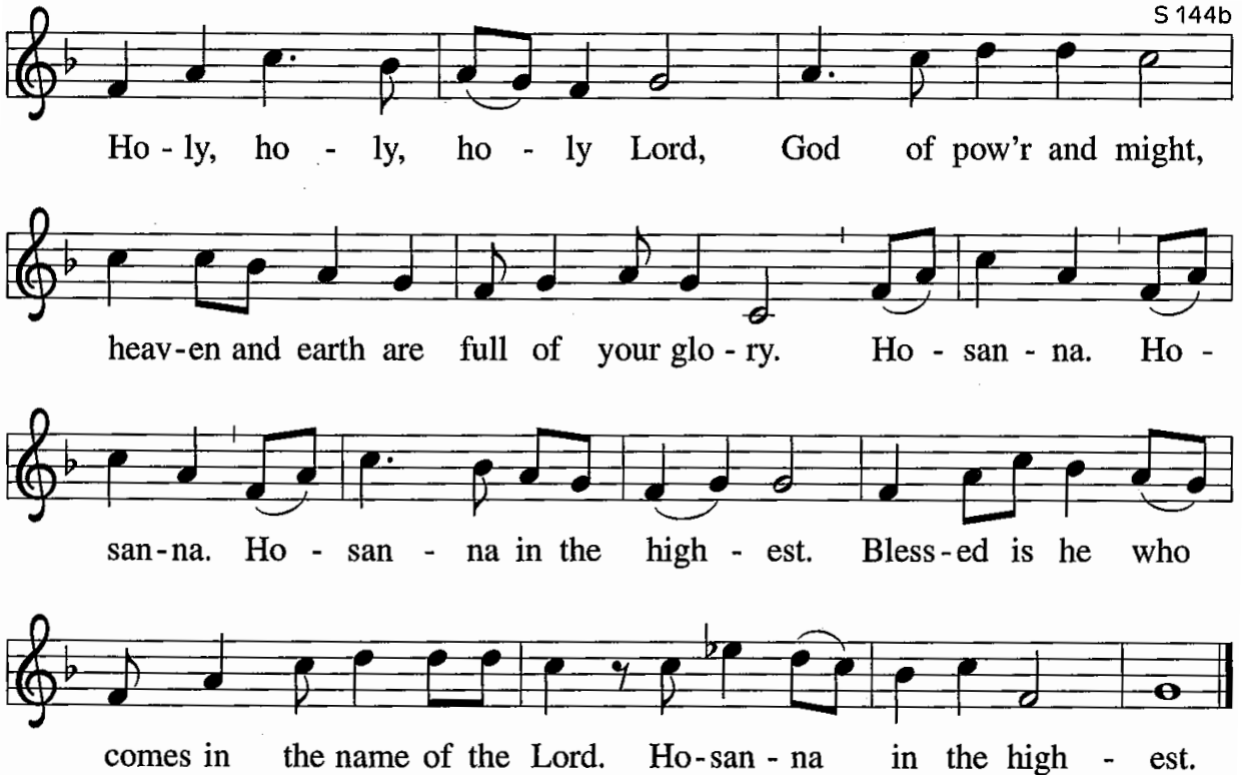
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## Holy, Holy

S 144b



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,  
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -  
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

## Words of Institution

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 in 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 sins. Do this in remembrance of me.

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## Lord's Prayer

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.

## Holy Communion

### Blessing

### Post Communion Prayer

Let us pray.

**Christ, you are the bread of life. We have come to you with our hands outstretched and you have filled our empty hands with bread for us to eat in remembrance of you. We have been eager to reach for the cup of wine or juice so that we can further remember that day when you gave over your life for us. Jesus, we remember and as we remember we are grateful of your gift to us. We cling to your love. In the name of Jesus we pray. AMEN (CWE)**



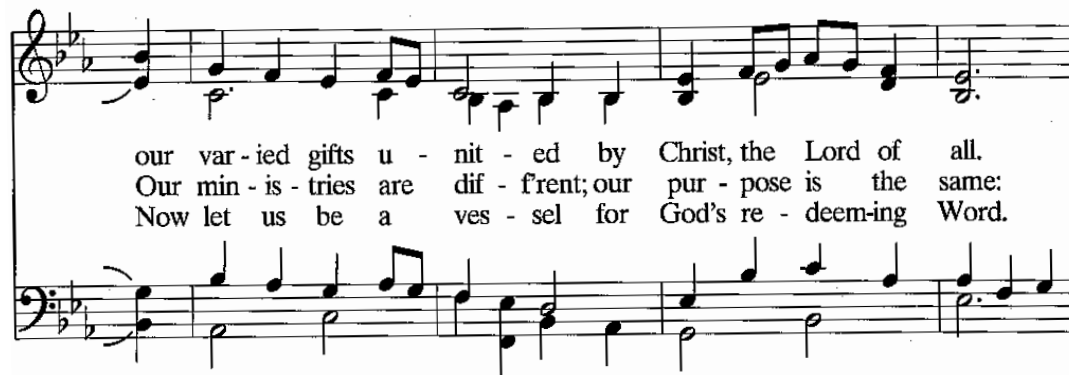
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Sending Hymn      WOV #755 “We All Are One in Mission”, verse 1



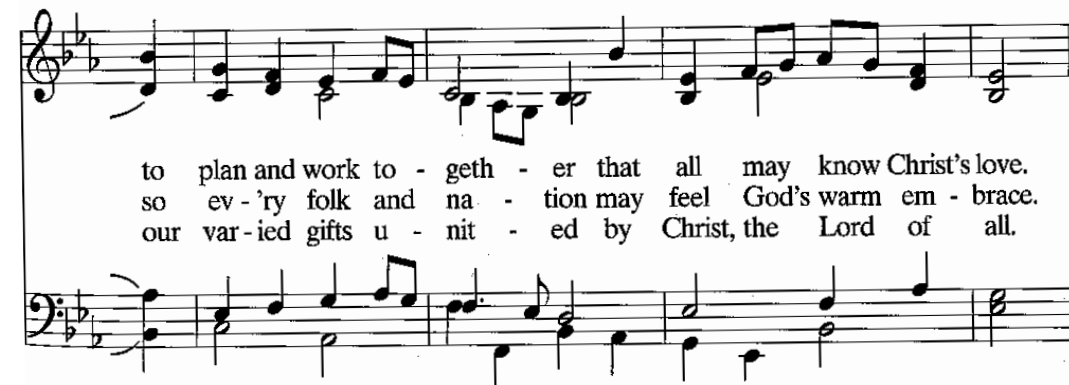
1 We all are one in mis - sion; we all are one in call,  
2 We all are called to ser - vice, to wit - ness in God's name.  
3 Now let us be u - nit - ed, and let our song be heard.



our var - ied gifts u - nit - ed by Christ, the Lord of all.  
Our min - is - tries are dif - f'rent; our pur - pose is the same:  
Now let us be a ves - sel for God's re - deem - ing Word.



A sin - gle great com - mis - sion com - pels us from a - bove  
to touch the lives of oth - ers with God's sur - pris - ing grace,  
We all are one in mis - sion; we all are one in call,



to plan and work to - geth - er that all may know Christ's love.  
so ev - 'ry folk and na - tion may feel God's warm em - brace.  
our var - ied gifts u - nit - ed by Christ, the Lord of all.

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## **Benediction**

May the Lord bless you and keep you. May the Lord's face shine upon you and be gracious to you. May the Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

Pastor:                    Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**Congregation:        THANKS BE TO GOD.**

## **Postlude**