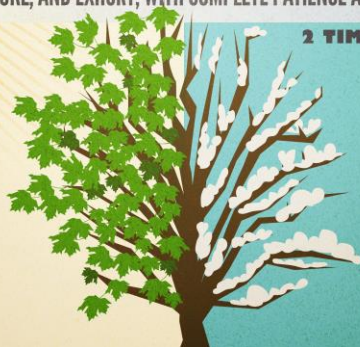


**PREACH THE WORD;  
BE READY IN SEASON  
AND OUT OF SEASON;**  
REPROVE, REBUKE, AND EXHORT, WITH COMPLETE PATIENCE AND TEACHING.

**2 TIMOTHY 4:2**



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**Sunday, June 21, 2026**

The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

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Service Theme

**SAY IT OUT LOUD - KEEP THE FAITH**

Believers in God and their ministers have always been persecuted. Religious leaders in Jerusalem tried to muzzle the truth, but they only succeeded in sending people to preach the Word throughout the land. The Roman Empire persecuted Christians with stakes and lions, but God's Church exploded with growth. In Martin Luther's day, both pope and emperor tried to limit the gospel movement that was spreading from Germany, but God led many people to speak his truth. God wants his people to keep the faith and preach the Word even in the face of opposition.

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## 874 Preserve Your Word, O Savior

CW 874



1 Pre - serve your Word, O Sav - ior, to us this lat - ter  
 2 Pre - serve your Word and preach - ing, the truth that makes us  
 3 Pre - serve in wave and tem - pest your storm-tossed lit - tle



day, and let your king - dom flour - ish; en - large your  
 whole, the mir - ror of your glo - ry, the pow'r that  
 flock; as - sailed by wind and weath - er, may it en -



Church, we pray. O keep our faith from fail - ing, keep  
 saves the soul. Oh, may this liv - ing wa - ter, this  
 dure each shock. Come take the helm, our pi - lot, and



hope's bright star a - glow; let noth - ing turn us  
 spring of heav'n - ly grace, sus - tain us while here  
 set the course a - right; then we will reach the



from you while wan-d'ring here be - low.  
 liv - ing un - til we see your face.  
 har - bor in your e - ter - nal light.

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## The Service

### *Setting Two (page 172)*

In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

## **Confession**

CW 172

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

**If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just  
and will forgive us our sins  
and purify us from all unrighteousness.**

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

**Holy God, gracious Father,  
I am sinful by nature  
and have sinned against you in my thoughts,  
words, and actions.**

**I have not loved you with my whole heart;  
I have not loved others as I should.**

**I deserve your punishment both now and forever.**

**But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins  
with his innocent suffering and death.**

**Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a  
sinner.**

*Silence for meditation and reflection*

Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

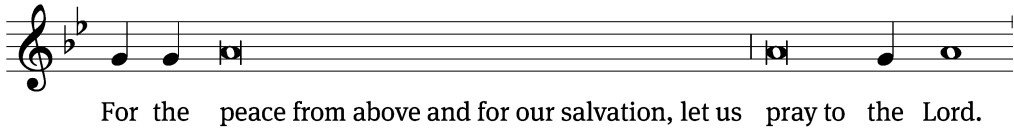
**Amen.**

# Lord, Have Mercy

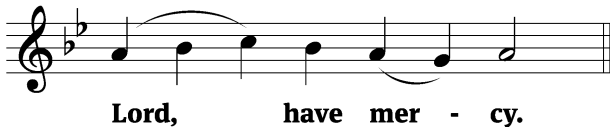
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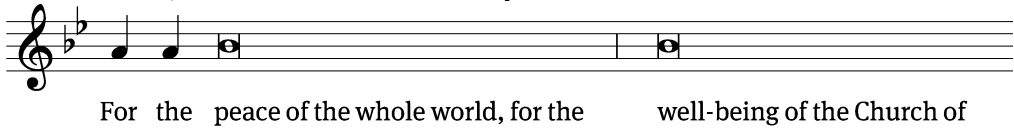
In peace let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



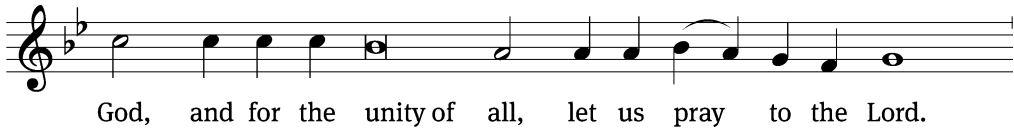
For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



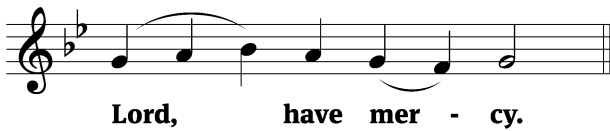
**Lord, have mer - cy.**



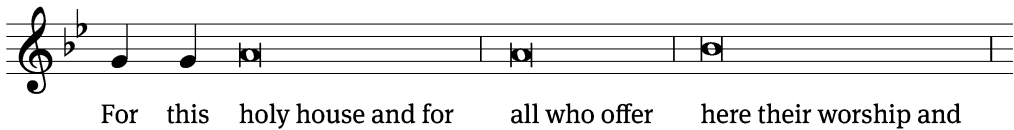
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of



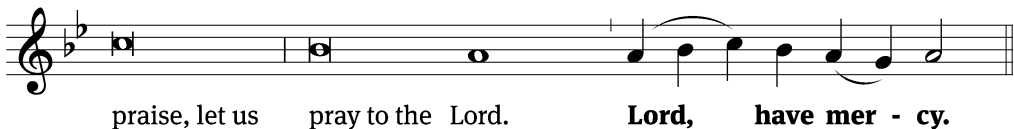
God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



**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, com - fort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.



**A - men.**

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## Glory to God in the Highest

CW 176



Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his



peo - ple on earth. Lord God,



heav - en - ly King, al - migh - ty God and Fa - ther, we



wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your



glo - ry. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and



peace to his peo - ple on earth.



Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,



Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world; have mer - cy on us. You are seat - ed at the



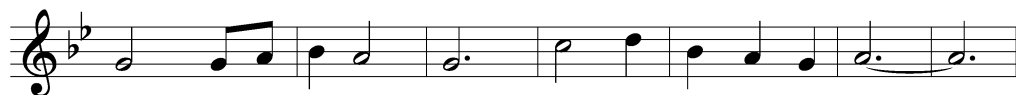
right hand of the Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer.



Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his



peo - ple on earth. For you a -



lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ,



with the Ho - ly Spir - it in the glo - ry of



God the Fa - ther. A - men. A - men.

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his  
peo - ple on earth.

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## The Word

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

### **Prayer of the Day**

Let us pray.

O God, because your abiding presence always goes with us, keep us aware of your daily mercies that we may live secure and content in your eternal love; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

### **First Reading**

*Jeremiah 20:7–13*

*Jeremiah refuses to abandon the faith even when beaten and put in stocks.*

<sup>7</sup>You persuaded me, LORD, and I agreed to it.  
You are stronger than I am, and you won out.  
I have become a laughingstock all day long,  
and everyone is mocking me.

<sup>8</sup>Whenever I speak, I cry out.  
I cry out, “Violence and destruction!”  
But the word of the LORD has brought scorn on me.  
I am mocked all day long.

<sup>9</sup>If I say, "I will not mention him  
or speak in his name anymore,"  
then there is a burning fire in my heart,  
shut up in my bones,  
and I am weary of holding it in.  
I cannot!

<sup>10</sup>I hear many whispering,  
"Terror on every side!"  
All my close friends,  
those who are watching for my fall, say,  
"Denounce him! Let's denounce him.  
Perhaps he can be pressured into making a mistake.  
Then we will have the upper hand against him,  
and we will take our revenge on him."

<sup>11</sup>But the LORD is with me like a terrifying warrior.  
So my persecutors will stumble,  
and they will not gain the upper hand.  
They will be put to shame completely,  
because they have not been successful.  
Their eternal disgrace will never be forgotten.

<sup>12</sup> LORD of Armies, you test the righteous.  
You see the heart and the mind.  
Let me see your vengeance on them,  
for I have laid out my case before you.

<sup>13</sup>Sing to the LORD!  
Praise the LORD,  
for he has delivered the life of the needy  
from the hand of the wicked.

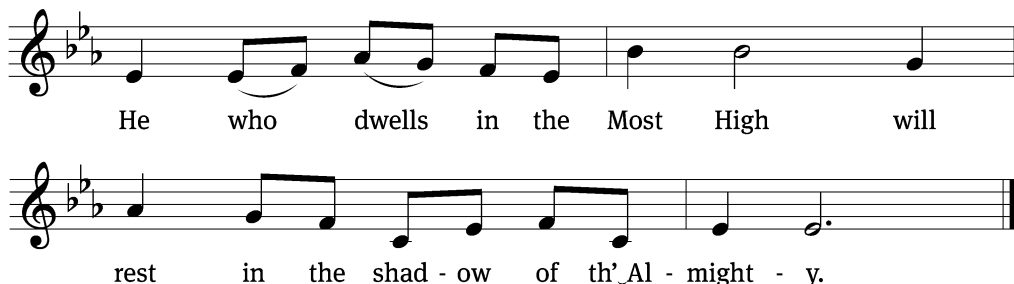
The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

# 91A The Shadow of the Almighty

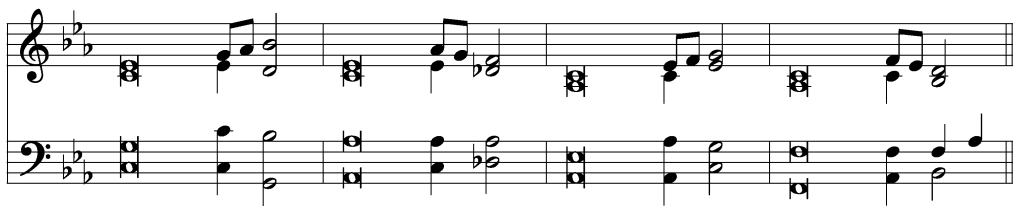
Psalm 91A

## Refrain



He who dwells in the Most High will  
rest in the shadow of th'Al - might - y.

## Tone



Surely he will save you from the / fowler's snare  
and from the deadly / pestilence.

He will cover you with his / feathers,  
and under his wings you will find / refuge.

You will not fear the ter- / ror of night,  
nor the arrow that / flies by day,  
nor the pestilence that stalks in the / darkness,  
nor the plague that destroys at / midday. *Refrain*

If you say, "The LORD is my / refuge,"  
and you make the Most High your / dwelling,  
no harm will over- / take you,  
no disaster will come / near your tent.

For he will command his angels con- / cerning you  
to guard you in / all your ways;  
they will lift you up / in their hands,  
so that you will not strike your foot a- / gainst a stone.

**Glory be to the Father and / to the Son  
and to the Holy / Spirit,  
as it was in the be- / ginning,  
is now, and will be forever. / Amen. *Refrain***

## Second Reading

2 Timothy 4:1–8

*Paul encourages us to keep the faith even in the face of difficulty.*

<sup>1</sup>I solemnly charge you in the presence of God and Christ Jesus, who is going to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom: <sup>2</sup>Preach the word. Be ready whether it is convenient or not. Correct, rebuke, and encourage, with all patience and teaching. <sup>3</sup>For there will come a time when people will not put up with sound doctrine. Instead, because they have itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers in line with their own desires. <sup>4</sup>They will also turn their ears away from the truth and will turn aside to myths.

<sup>5</sup>As for you, keep a clear head in every situation. Bear hardship. Do the work of an evangelist. Fulfill your ministry.

<sup>6</sup>You see, I am already being poured out like a drink offering, and the time of my departure has come. <sup>7</sup>I have fought the good fight; I have finished the race; I have kept the faith. <sup>8</sup>From now on, there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness. The Lord, the righteous Judge, will give it to me on that day, and not only to me but also to everyone who loved his appearing.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Acclamation

2 Corinthians 12:9

Alleluia, alleluia.

My grace is sufficient for you,  
for my power is made perfect in weakness.

Alleluia.

*Jesus makes us brave to confess him in public.*

<sup>5</sup>Jesus sent these twelve out and commanded them,  
<sup>21</sup>“Brother will hand over his brother to death, and a father will do the same with his child. Children will rise up against parents and have them put to death. <sup>22</sup>You will be hated by all people because of my name, but whoever endures to the end will be saved. <sup>23</sup>And when they persecute you in one town, flee to the next. Amen I tell you: You will not finish going through the cities of Israel before the Son of Man comes.

<sup>24</sup>“A disciple is not above his teacher, nor is a servant above his master. <sup>25</sup>It is enough for the disciple to be like his teacher and the servant like his master. If the master of the house was called Beelzebul, how much more the members of his household!

<sup>26</sup>“So do not be afraid of them, because there is nothing concealed that will not be revealed, and nothing hidden that will not be made known. <sup>27</sup>What I tell you in the dark, speak in the daylight; and what you hear whispered in your ear, proclaim from the housetops. <sup>28</sup>Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather, fear the one who is able to destroy both soul and body in hell.

<sup>29</sup>“Are not two sparrows sold for a small coin? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground without the knowledge and consent of your Father. <sup>30</sup>And even the hairs of your head are all numbered. <sup>31</sup>So do not be afraid. You are worth more than many sparrows.

<sup>32</sup>“Everyone who confesses me before others, I will also confess before my Father who is in heaven. <sup>33</sup>But whoever denies me before others, I will also deny before my Father who is in heaven.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise be to you, O Christ!**

# 895 Preach You the Word

CW 895



1 Preach you the Word and plant it home to those who  
2 We know how hard, O Lord, the task your ser - vant  
3 The sow - er sows; his reck - less love scat - ters a -  
4 Though some be snatched and some be scorched and some be



like or like it not, the Word that shall en -  
bids us un - der - take: to preach your Word and  
broad the good - ly seed, in - tent a - lone that  
choked and mat - ted flat, the sow - er sows; his



ture and stand when flow'rs and mor - tals are for - got.  
nev - er ask what pride - ful prof - it it may make.  
there may be the whole - some loaves that peo - ple need.  
heart cries out, "Oh, what of that, and what of that?"

- 5 Of all his scattered plenteousness  
one-fourth waves ripe on hill and flat,  
and bears a harvest, hundredfold:  
"Ah, what of that, Lord, what of that!"
- 6 Preach you the Word and plant it home  
and never faint; the Harvest Lord  
who gave the sower seed to sow  
will watch and tend his planted Word.

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## Sermon

2 Timothy 4:1–8

**Theme: Do the work of an evangelist.**

- 1) Because our world needs confessors of Christ.
- 2) Because Christ has reserved a crown for all who keep the faith.

## **Apostles' Creed**

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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 hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## **Prayer of the Church**

Eternal Lord, give us peace as we ponder the good news that you forgive our sins in Christ. Lead us to see clearly the path you have laid out for us.

**Work in us so that we believe and live the Word we have heard today.**

Provide courage and compassion to all who preach and teach your Word. Fill them with a love like yours as they proclaim your grace to us and all people.

**Move us to love all ministers of the Word wherever they serve.**

Bless all earthly fathers as they seek to fulfill the calling you have entrusted to them. Give them loving hearts and sound judgment to exercise godly family leadership. Help them to bring up their children in the training and instruction of the Lord. In loving Christian fathers, may children see reflections of you, the Father whose love for us is perfect and complete.

Guard and guide the families of our congregation. Lead husbands and wives to love each other with commitment, respect, and patience. Help parents to grasp the eternal value of keeping their children close to Jesus all their lives. Grant joy to those who are single, and make them a blessing to others.

**Protect us from the temptations that surround us; give us pure hearts and minds.**

Provide wisdom and insight to those who make laws and set policies. Give us respect for those who protect us from crime. Lead us to value the rights of our fellow citizens and to defend those who cannot defend themselves.

**Bless our land with peace and prosperity so that the gospel may be proclaimed to all.**

Give us passion to share the story of your love with our family and friends. Overcome unbelief, and open the hearts of people everywhere to believe the good news that Jesus has forgiven their sins and opened the gates of heaven.

**Fill us with joy over every sinner who repents and comes to trust in you.**

Extend your healing power to those who are sick and suffering in body or mind. [Pour out your special blessing on . . .] Give patience and compassion to all who care for the sick and dying.

**Lift the eyes of the distressed to your love in Christ.**

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

*Silent prayer*

Gracious God, you govern and direct all things and you love all people. Hear our prayers, spoken and silent, and answer them in your wisdom and grace.

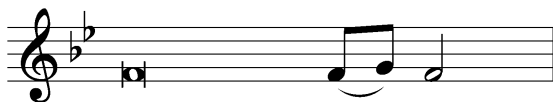
**In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

# Offertory Prayer

## The Sacrament

CW 183

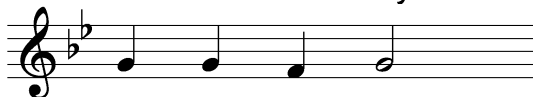
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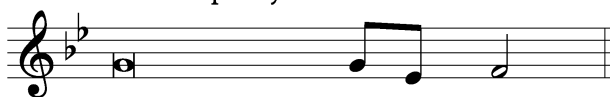
The Lord be with you.



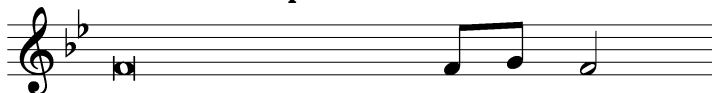
And al - so with you.



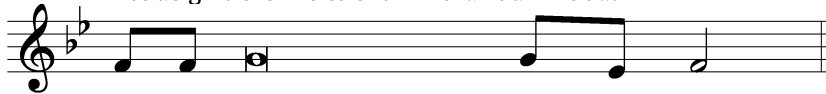
Lift up your hearts.



We lift them up to the Lord.



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



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

It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who promised that wherever two or three come together in his name, there he is with them to shepherd his flock until he comes again in glory. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

# Holy, Holy, Holy

CW 184

The musical score is written in G major (one flat) and 4/4 time. It consists of seven staves of music. The lyrics are: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er, God of might. Heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. 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, ho - san - na in the high - est!

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## Prayer of Thanksgiving

Lord God, you are worthy to receive thanks and praise from all people. You created the world and all who live in it, and in your mercy you saved us. We give thanks to you for the grace of your Son, Jesus Christ.

Though in very nature God, he took the nature of a servant and became obedient to death, even death on a cross. He offered himself as a sacrifice for sin and redeemed us from its curse and penalty. He rescued us from the terrors of death and restored eternal life with you. He conquered our enemies and gained for us the kingdom of grace and glory.

Bless us as we receive your Son's body and blood, and lead us to remember his suffering, death, and resurrection. Forgive our sins and fill us with the hope of new life in heaven. Hear our praise and receive our thanks as we worship you—the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

### **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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever.**

**Amen.**

### **Words of Institution**

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my  $\dagger$  body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my  $\dagger$  blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**Amen.**

# Jesus, Lamb of God

CW 186

Je - sus, Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.  
Je - sus, Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.  
Je - sus, Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; grant us your peace.

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'Jesus, Lamb of God'. It consists of seven staves of music in a single system, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are written below the notes. The first line of music is a short phrase. The second line begins the main text: 'Je - sus, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.' This line is repeated on the third and fourth staves. The fifth line begins a new phrase: 'Je - sus, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; grant us your peace.' This line is repeated on the sixth and seventh staves. The music is written in a simple, accessible style with clear note values and rests.

## Distribution

### Thanksgiving and Proclamation

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;

**his mercy endures forever.**

Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup,

**we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.**

We give you thanks, O Lord, for the foretaste of the heavenly banquet you have given us in this Sacrament. Through this gift you have fed our faith, nourished our hope, and strengthened our love. By your Spirit, help us to live as your holy people until that day when you will receive us as your guests at the wedding supper of the Lamb, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**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 on you with favor and † give you peace.

**Amen.**

## 761 Our Father, by Whose Name

CW 761



1 Our Fa - ther, by whose name all fa - ther-hood is known,  
2 O Christ, your - self a child with - in an earth - ly home,  
3 O Ho - ly Spir - it, bind our hearts in u - ni - ty,



in love di - vine you claim each fam - 'ly as your own.  
with heart still un - de - filed you did to man - hood come.  
and teach us how to find the love from self set free.



Bless moth - ers, fa - thers, guard - ing well, with con - stant love as  
Our chil - dren bless in ev - 'ry place that they may all be -



sen - ti - nel, the homes in which your peo - ple dwell.  
hold your face and, know - ing you, may grow in grace.  
this re - lease may be the dwell - ing place of peace.

## Announcements

### *Church Cleaners*

June 28– Luke / July 5 Timothy

#### DIVINE WORD'S TWO-WEEK CALENDAR

- Su (21) 9:30 am Worship** (with Communion)  
10:45 am Brief Bible Study  
**3:00 pm Worship in Poltimore**  
4:00 pm Youth Confirmation in Poltimore
- Tu (23) 7:00 pm Elders Meeting
- Fr (26) 6:00 pm Friday Night Fellowship
- Sa (27) 10:00 am Bible Information Class
- Su (28) 9:30 am Worship**  
10:45 am Voters Meeting
- Th (2) 10:30 am Devotion and Longfield Manor
- Sa (4) 10:00 am Bible Information Class
- Su (5) 9:30 am Worship** (with Communion)  
10:45 am Brief Bible Study  
**3:00 pm Worship in Poltimore**  
4:00 pm Youth Confirmation in Poltimore