

Welcome to First Lutheran Church

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Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

June 28, 2026

Welcome and Announcements (*Guests please sign the attendance book in the pew*)

Sharing the Peace

Opening Song: “As We Gather at Your Table” (ELW 522) (*Hymn is on back page*)

***Confession & Forgiveness**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God,
whose compassion endures forever.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin to God.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Compassionate God,
we confess to you all our sins.

Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves.

In your mercy, call us back to you.

Your yoke is easy and your burden is light.

Restore us to dwell in your peace.

In Christ’s name we pray,

Amen.

Jesus says, “Come to me,
all you who are weary
and are carrying heavy burdens,
and I will give you rest.”

In the name of God,

Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit,
your sins are forgiven.

Rest in God’s love.

Amen.

***Prayer of the Day**

O God, you direct our lives by your grace, and your words of justice and mercy reshape the world. Mold us into a people who welcome your word and serve one another, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

First Reading: Jeremiah 28:5-9

²⁵ The prophet Jeremiah spoke to the prophet Hananiah in the presence of the priests and all the people who were standing in the house of the LORD, ⁶ and the prophet Jeremiah said, “Amen! May the LORD do so; may the LORD fulfill the words that you have prophesied and bring back to this place from Babylon the vessels of the house of the LORD and all the exiles. ⁷ But listen now to this word that I speak in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people. ⁸ The prophets who preceded you and me from ancient times prophesied war, famine, and pestilence against many countries and great kingdoms. ⁹ As for the prophet who prophesies peace, when the word of that prophet comes true, then it will be known that the LORD has truly sent the prophet.”

Psalm: Psalm 89:1-4, 15-18

¹ Your love, O LORD, forever will I sing;
from age to age my mouth will proclaim your faithfulness.

² **For I am persuaded that your steadfast love is established forever;
you have set your faithfulness firmly in the heavens.**

³ “I have made a covenant with my chosen one;
I have sworn an oath to David my servant:

⁴ **‘I will establish your line forever,
and preserve your throne for**

all generations.’”

¹⁵ Happy are the people who know the festal shout!

They walk, O LORD, in the light of your presence.

¹⁶ **They rejoice daily in your name;
they are jubilant in your righteousness.**

¹⁷ For you are the glory of their strength,
and by your favor our might is exalted.

¹⁸ **Truly, our shield belongs to the LORD;
our king to the Holy One of Israel.**

*Gospel Announcement

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew.
Glory to you, O Lord.

*Gospel: Matthew 10:40-41

[Jesus said to the twelve:] ⁴⁰ “Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. ⁴¹ Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet’s reward, and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous.

The Gospel of the Lord.

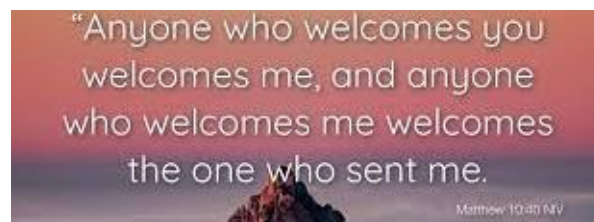
Thanks be to God.

Children’s Message

Pastor Hans Anderson

Message- “ Welcome”

Pastor Hans Anderson



***Statement of Faith – The Apostles’ Creed**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again 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:**

Gathered together by the Holy Spirit, let us pray for the church and the needs of the world.

A brief silence.

Faithful God, establish your church to offer welcome and proclaim your peace. Nourish us so we can proclaim your hope to the world. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

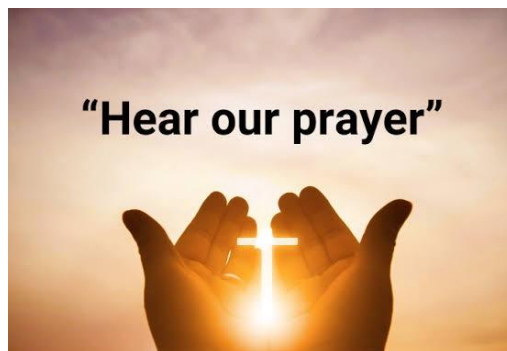
Creator God, bring life to places experiencing drought, deforestation, and pollution. Help us to cultivate and care for the natural world around us. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Loving God, bring an end to conflict and division. Sustain the work of prophets in our time, and work through world leaders to foster understanding, justice, and peace. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Provider God, give your children what they need physically, emotionally, and spiritually. Bless caregivers as they show God’s hospitality through their generous service. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Living God, lead us from death to life. Inspire new ministries and endeavors, renew established ones, and strengthen our welcoming presence to our neighbors. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Trusting you receive all our prayers, we commend our spoken and unspoken prayers to you, O God, through Jesus our Savior.
Amen.



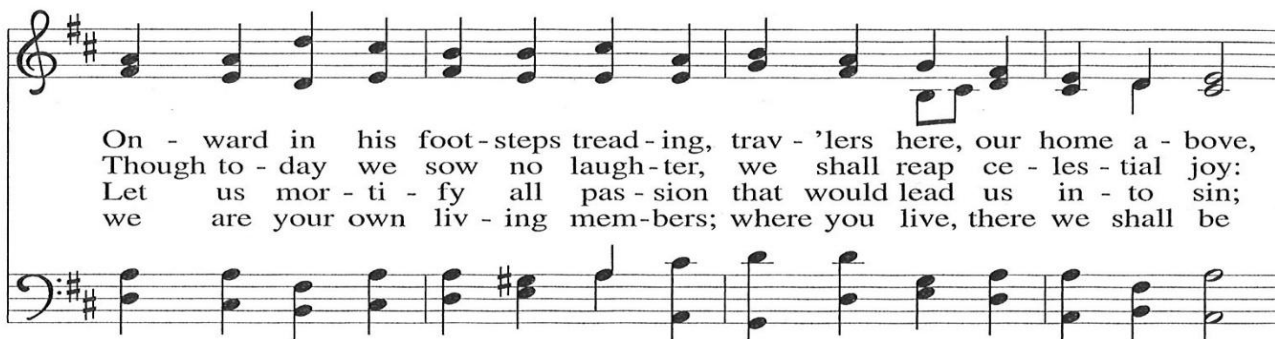
Hymn of the Day: "Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus" (ELW 802) *(Offering will be taken during the hymn)*



1 Let us ev - er walk with Je - sus, fol - low his ex - am - ple pure,
 2 Let us suf - fer here with Je - sus, and with pa - tience bear our cross,
 3 Let us glad - ly die with Je - sus. Since by death he con - quered death,
 4 Let us al - so live with Je - sus. He has ris - en from the dead



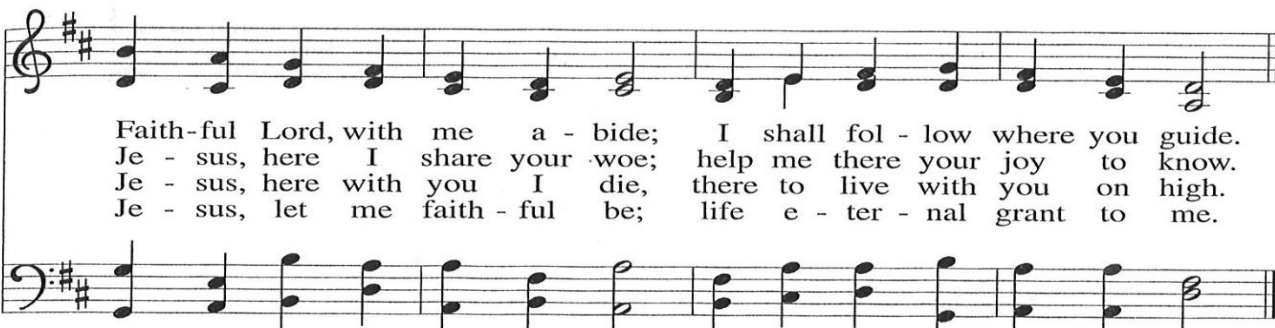
through a world that would de - ceive us and to sin our spir - its lure.
 Joy will fol - low all our sad - ness; where he is there is no loss.
 he will free us from de - struc - tion, give to us im - mor - tal breath.
 that to life we may a - wak - en. Je - sus, you are now our head,



On - ward in his foot - steps tread - ing, trav - 'lers here, our home a - bove,
 Though to - day we sow no laugh - ter, we shall reap ce - les - tial joy;
 Let us mor - ti - fy all pas - sion that would lead us in - to sin;
 we are your own liv - ing mem - bers; where you live, there we shall be



full of faith and hope and love, let us do our Sav - ior's bid - ding.
 all dis - com - forts that an - noy shall give way to mirth here - af - ter.
 and the grave that shuts us in shall but prove the gate of heav - en.
 in your pres - ence con - stant - ly, liv - ing there with you for - ev - er.



Faith - ful Lord, with me a - bide; I shall fol - low where you guide.
 Je - sus, here I share your woe; help me there your joy to know.
 Je - sus, here with you I die; there to live with you on high.
 Je - sus, let me faith - ful be; life e - ter - nal grant to me.

***Offertory Prayer**

Loving God,
we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts.
Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love,
so that all creation can taste your abundance.
We ask this in the name of Jesus,
through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever.
Amen.

***Words of Institution**

***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;
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 who believe in the death and resurrection as given in this bread and wine are welcome to the table today.
Please follow usher's guidance to come forward to receive communion and then return to your seat.
Gluten free wafers, and apple juice are available from the communion server upon request.*

You are welcome to this Table of our Lord.

Holy Communion Distribution

***Post Communion Prayer**

Compassionate God,
through the gifts of bread and wine
our hearts are filled with the abundance of your love.
Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal,
may share your love freely, as you have shared with us.
We ask this in the name of Jesus,
through the Spirit nourishing us now and forever.
Amen.

***Blessing:**

Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer,
† one God,
bless, heal, and hold you
today and always.
Amen.

Sending Song- "Just as I am Without One Plea" (ELW 592)

1 Just as I am, with - out one plea, but that thy blood was
2 Just as I am, though tossed a - bout with man - y_a con - flict,
3 Just as I am, thou wilt re - ceive, wilt wel - come, par - don,
4 Just as I am; thy love un - known has bro - ken ev - 'ry

shed for me, and that thou bidd'st me come to thee,
man - y_a doubt, fight - ings and fears with - in, with - out,
cleanse, re - lieve; be - cause thy prom - ise I be - lieve,
bar - rier down; now to be thine, yea, thine a - lone,

O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

The musical score is written for four voices (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) and piano accompaniment. It features a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a common time signature. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a focus on the lyrics. The piano accompaniment provides a harmonic foundation with chords and moving lines in both hands.

W. H. Doane, 1789-1871 Public Domain
... W. Bradbury, 1816-1868

***Dismissal:**

Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news!

Thanks be to God.





Reader:

Communion Assistants:

Zoom:

Sound:

Ushers:

Altar Guild:

Counter:

Cora Hohnstadt

Val Johnson

Paul Pearson & Bill Schroeder

Rene Frigaard & Annette Newton

Wendy Swenson

The Week Ahead

Sunday, June 28, 2026

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost/Outdoor Games

Worship Service

9:00 AM

Fellowship & Coffee Time

10:00 AM

Outdoor Games

10:00 AM

Monday, June 29, 2026

Deep Portage Retreat

11:00 AM

Game Day

1:00 – 3:00 PM

Thursday, July 2, 2026

Dorcas Circle

9:00 AM

Operation Sandwich

10:00 AM

Sunday, July 5, 2026

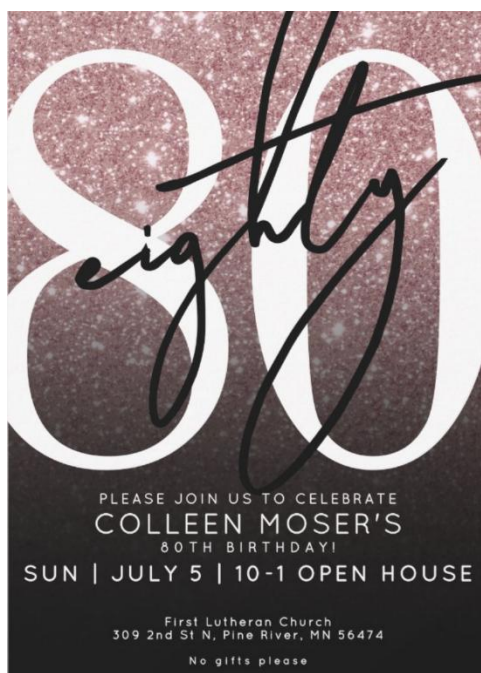
Sixth Sunday After Pentecost

Worship Service

9:00 AM

Colleen Moser's 80th Birthday Party

10:00 AM



Announcements

Sunday Services at First Lutheran continue to be in-person and via Zoom. To join us via Zoom, go to www.zoom.us and select the blue "Join a Meeting" link at the top center of your screen. (You won't need to create an account.) Type in the appropriate Meeting ID number and click the blue "Join" button.

Sunday worship, 9:00 a.m. – Meeting ID is 882 7501 6398 Passcode is 753902.

Bulletins can be sponsored for \$25.00 per week. The sign-up sheet is on the *Called to Serve* bulletin board in the Narthex.

FLCW needs a treasurer. All financial information is up to date. Needed is someone to make all budgeted donations, deposit funds, and complete a twice yearly Income and Expense Report for the FLCW Board Meetings. If finance is one of the gifts God has given you and you are willing to use this gift for First Lutheran Church Women, please contact Denice Smith at 218-820-4522. Thank you.

Our community **VBS** will be running from July 6-10. We are looking for some teen and/or adult volunteers to help with the arts and crafts station during the evening camp that runs from 5:15-8:00. You can do the whole week or you can volunteer for one evening--we'll take the help in any way! Please see Morgan Kepner or Melanie Lindquist if you would like to volunteer or if you have any questions. Thank you!

Dear Friends, **Thank you so much** for your generous contribution to our VLM Make- A - Splash campaign! I am happy to report the Hiawatha docks have been installed and the Vermilion Docks go in in Mid-July. We are grateful for your care for the camps. In peace, the VLM Board

Calling for HOME! There are a number of bowls, cake pans, trays and other kitchen items on the counter to the right of the sink in the kitchen. They want to return to their family. Please check to see what belongs at your house. Thank you.

Last week's noisy offering is giving **\$111.21** to Lutheran Disaster Response. Lutheran Disaster Response shares God's hope, healing and renewal with people whose lives have been disrupted by disasters in the United States and around the world. When the dust settles and the headlines change, we stay to provide ongoing assistance to those in need.



Prayers of Healing, Care and Joy

Those with medical concerns...

Madeleine Primmer

Ryan Kelley

Juliet Perry Stevens, Jodi Perry's daughter, recovering from surgery

Harvey Kelley

Those in the service...

Senior Master Sargeant Bradford, son of Bill & Kaye Schroeder

Major A.J. Depman, nephew of Bill & Kaye Schroeder

Sgt Christopher Krecklau, son of Mary & Randy Krecklau
E-6 Nathaniel & Chief Amanda Mitchell,
nephew of Mary & Randy Krecklau

ATTENDANCE & OFFERING

Sunday, June 21, 2026

Attendance: 105

Offering June 21, 2026 \$1,972.00 Weekly Budget: \$3,803.77

Direct Deposit: \$ 275.00

Total Offerings: \$2,247.00

Year-to-Date (Fiscal year starts September 1)

2025-2026 Giving: \$138,326.35 Expenses: \$139,423.41

Income less Expenses for May:

\$15,373.71 - \$14,119.75 = 1,373.71

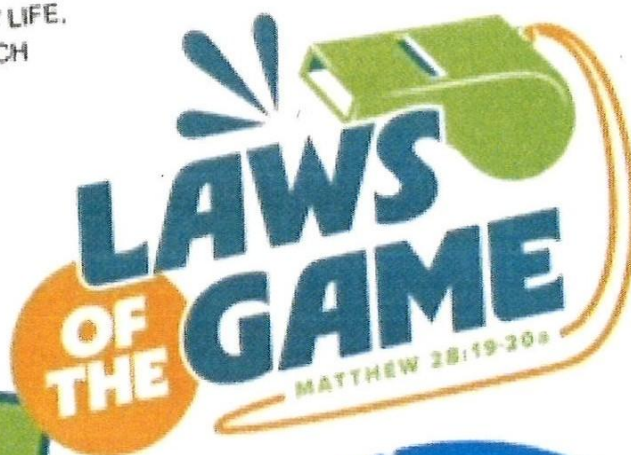
If you would like a visit from pastor or have a pastoral care need, please contact Pastor Hans Anderson at 218-820-9166 or email him at pastorhanspineriver@gmail.com

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2026 SPORTS CAMP



Join us this year for UW Sports Ministry's "Laws of the Game!" During the week, young athletes will explore the game plan God personally has for them.



FREE!

ACTIVITIES

Ages 6-12
Basketball, Soccer, Girls' Cheerleading, Arts
(Arts available in PM camp only)

Ages 4-5
Team 45

EVENT DATE

JULY 6-10

**9:00 AM-12:15 PM
OR
5:00-8:15 PM**

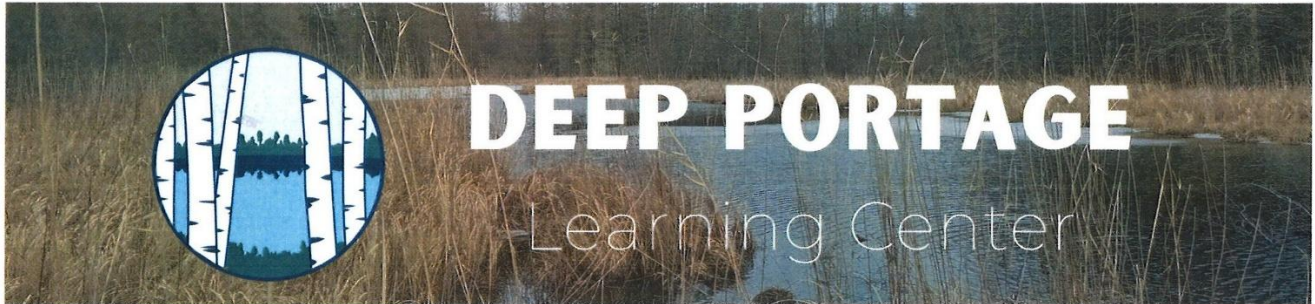
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*A Women's
Day of Retreat*
Deep Portage Learning Center



Monday, June 29, 2026

**We will carpool from the church at
11:00 AM**

Lunch at noon

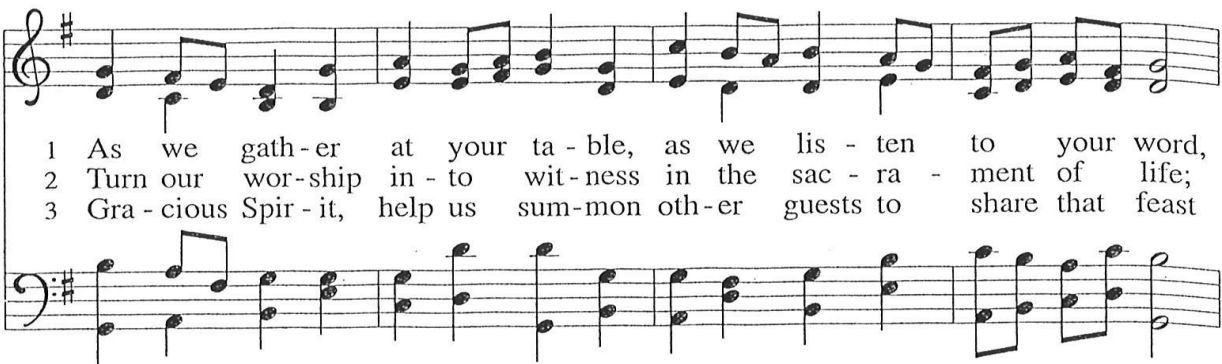
followed by a

Tour of grounds and facility

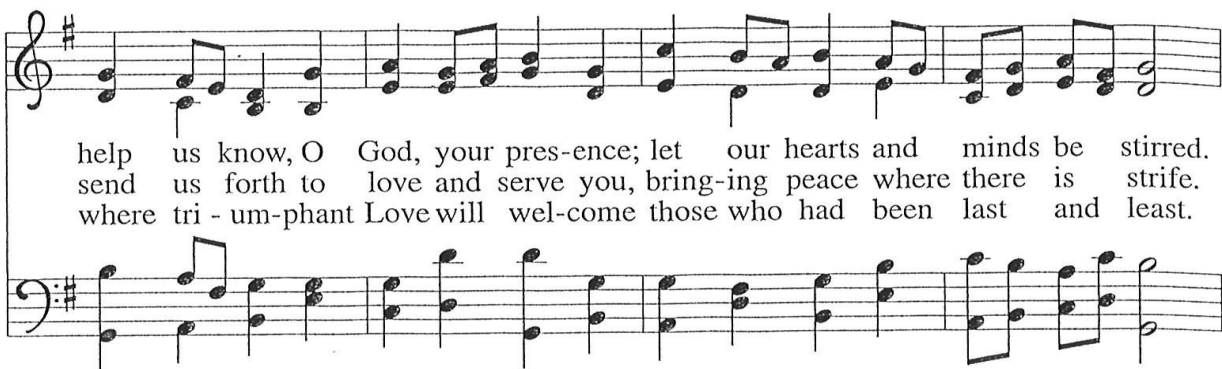
**Afternoon Bible Study, from the
Gather Magazine, led by Pastor Hans**

Please sign up on the clipboard on the narthex!

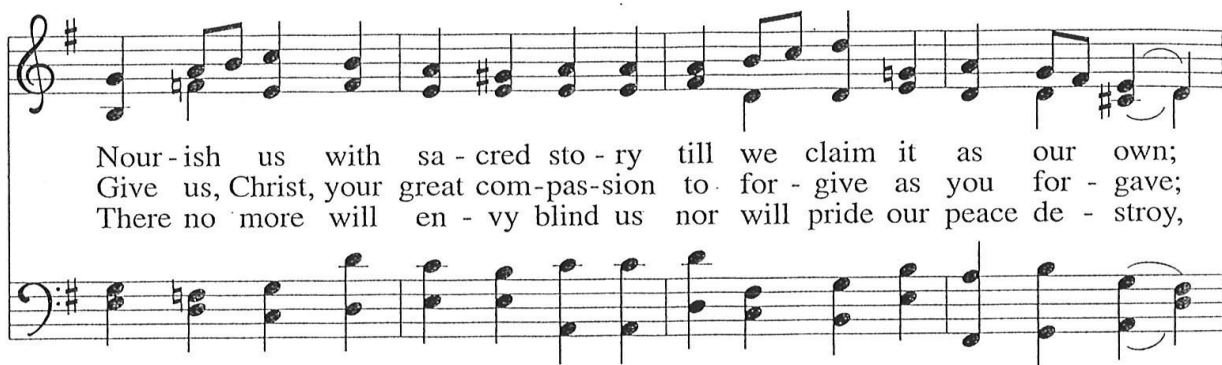
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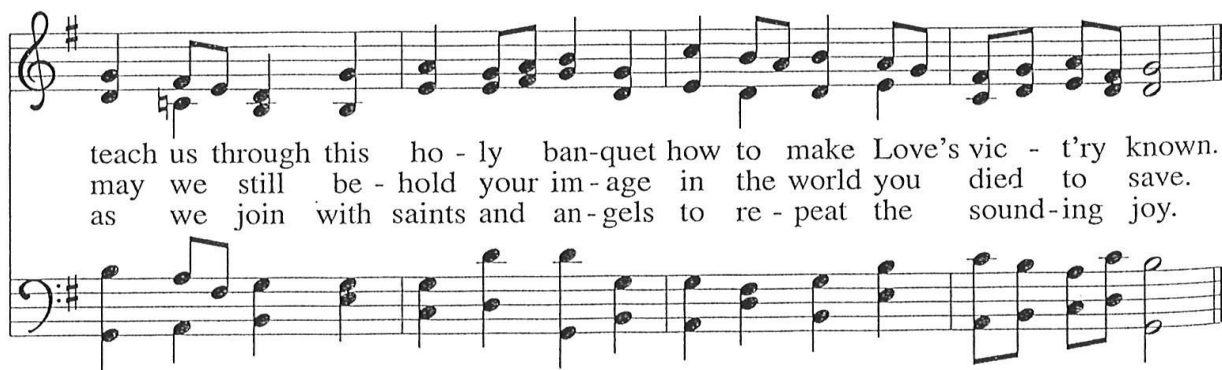
1 As we gath-er at your ta-ble, as we lis-ten to your word,
2 Turn our wor-ship in-to wit-ness in the sac-ra-ment of life;
3 Gra-cious Spir-it, help us sum-mon oth-er guests to share that feast



help us know, O God, your pres-ence; let our hearts and minds be stirred.
send us forth to love and serve you, bring-ing peace where there is strife.
where tri-um-phant Love will wel-come those who had been last and least.



Nour-ish us with sa-cred sto-ry till we claim it as our own;
Give us, Christ, your great com-pas-sion to for-give as you for-gave;
There no more will en-vy blind us nor will pride our peace de-stroy,



teach us through this ho-ly ban-quet how to make Love's vic-t'ry known.
may we still be-hold your im-age in the world you died to save.
as we join with saints and an-gels to re-peat the sound-ing joy.

Text: Carl P. Daw Jr., b. 1944

Music: *Oude en Nieuwe Hollandse Boerenlities en Contradansen*, 1710; arr. Julius Röntgen, 1855–1932

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