

Immanuel Lutheran Church

May 28, 2023

Pentecost



PRELUDE / GATHERING BELL / ANNOUNCEMENTS

THIS WEEK AT CHURCH: MAY 28 – JUNE 4

Sunday	Coffee Hour	9:30 AM
	Worship/Holy Communion	10:30 AM
	Reader:	
Monday	Memorial Day - Office Closed	
Tuesday	Senior Meals	11:30 AM – 12:30 PM
Wednesday	Senior Meals Registration Deadline	9:00 AM
Thursday	Senior Meals	11:30 AM – 12:30 PM
Saturday	Strum Area Food Pantry	9:00 AM – 11:00 AM
Sunday	Worship	8:30 AM
	Reader: Vickie Hanson	
	Coffee Hour: TBD	9:30 AM

IN OUR PRAYERS: Pastor Christine Iverson, Family and friends of Janet Higley, Dale Olsen, Vickie Hanson, Greg Sather, Bob Berg, Ruth Gullicksrud, Ramona Hanson, Howard Hanson, Joanne Brion, Edna Lopez, Peyton Danovski, Janet Cole, Jon Olson, Jeanette Berg, Mark Hanson, Ronnie Bjorgo, and Ron & Char Myhers.

SENIOR MEALS: Meals are served every Tuesday from 11:30 AM – 12:30 PM. Catered by Sweet Temptations. Reservations are required at least 24 hours in advance by calling 715-695-3511. Ages 60+. This week's menu: Ham, Roasted Potatoes, Cold Cucumber Salad, Bread & Butter, and a Cookie. Please call **BEFORE 9:00 AM** on Monday to reserve your spot. **Starting on June 1, Senior meals will also be offered on Thursdays with reservations due by 9 AM on Wednesday.**

RAISE THE ROOF \$40K MATCH CHALLENGE: Double the impact of your gift and help us raise the roof! All donations will be matched dollar for dollar by an anonymous donor up to \$40,000 for the roof over the chapel and education wing. (Current total: \$29,265.07)

JUNE USHERS: Ushers for June are Bob Solfest and Gabe Koxlien. Thank you Bob and Gabe. Anyone interested in volunteering to usher please call Julia at 715-695-2901 or Maxine at 715-695-3588.

LUTHER PARK BIBLE CAMP – SUMMER CAMP: Camper registration at Luther Park is open! Join us this summer as we explore the Lutheran Outdoor Ministries bible study curriculum “Holy Trinity, Wholly Love”. Register and pay in full by May 1st to receive our Early Bird Discount. Spots fill up fast, so visit lutherpark.org/summer-camp to register today!

“I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end.” – Revelation 22:13

Camperships are available through the church and/or Luther Park. Please call Michelle in the office for more information.

COFFEE HOUR: Hosts needed for coffee hours. Sign-up sheets are located on the table in the main entrance of the church. Coffee hour can be set up as self-service if you would like to provide treats only. Michelle is more than happy to start the coffee.

READERS: We are seeking readers to read the lessons during Sunday worship. Readings are available by Thursday morning for the following Sunday service. Please contact Michelle in the church office if interested.

WORSHIP TIME CHANGE

Next Sunday, June 4, 2023,
we switch to the early service
time at 8:30 AM.

JOINT WORSHIP SERVICE & PICNIC: On Sunday, June 11, we will be having a joint worship service and picnic at Stoddard Park in Osseo at 10:30 AM. There will be no service at Immanuel. Elk Creek members will be bringing

desserts and beverages and Immanuel members are asked to bring salads and vegetables. Meat and fixings for grilling will be split between the two congregations. All loose offerings from this service will go to the Trempealeau County Food Pantry. Regular offerings (in contribution envelopes) will go to their respective churches. Sign-up sheets are located in the Narthex.

STRUM AREA FOOD PANTRY: Thank you to everyone who donated food to the pantry during the USPS Letter Carriers’ Food Drive. The pantry will be open this Saturday from 9 AM until 11 AM and on Wednesday, June 21 from 5 PM until 7 PM. We are currently in need of peanut butter, paper products, personal hygiene products, and cereal.

BRUCE VALLEY CHURCH RESTORATION MEMORIAL DAY CELEBRATION:

Sunday, May 28, 2023. N43611 CTY RD D, Strum. 11:00 AM Meatball & Lefse Dinner: Meatballs, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Lefse, Vegetable, Various Salads & Desserts galore! Milk & Coffee. Adults \$14, Ages 6-12 \$8, 5 & Under Free. 1:15 PM Memorial Service at the Cemetery by Osseo Legion Post 324. Mr. Ernie Loga, Acting Pastor; Guest Speaker: Mr. Scott Schultz; National Anthem: Shari Seedl; Recognition of 106 year-old WWII veteran Mr. Reynolds Tomter of Pigeon Falls and 104 year-old WWII veteran Mr. Leland Chenoweth of Blair. Plus, local participation of talent. Seating at the cemetery available. Everyone welcome!

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, by whose hand we are given new birth, by whose speaking we are given new life. **Amen.**

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are welcomed, restored, and supported as citizens of the new creation. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

Holy God, holy and merciful, holy and mighty, you are the river of life, you are the everlasting wellspring. In mercy and might you have freed us from death and raised us with Jesus, the firstborn of the dead. In baptismal waters our old life is washed away, and in them we are born anew.

Water may be poured into the font as the presiding minister continues.

Glory to you for oceans and lakes, for rivers and streams. Honor to you for waters that wash us clean, quench our thirst, and nurture both crops and creatures. Praise to you for the life-giving water of baptism, the outpouring of the Spirit of the new creation.

Wash away our sin and all that separates us from you. Empower our witness to your resurrection. Strengthen our resolve in seeking justice for all.

Satisfy the world's need through this living water. Where drought dries the earth, bring refreshment. Where despair prevails, grant hope. Where chaos reigns, bring peace. We ask this through Christ, who with you and the Spirit reigns forever. **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN

"You Are Holy"

ELW 525



Du är he - lig, du är hel. Du är all - tid myck-et mer
You are ho - ly, you are whole. You are al - ways ev - er more



än vi nån - sin kan för - stå, du är nä - ra än - då.
than we ev - er un - der - stand. You are al - ways at hand.



Väl - sig - nad va - re du som kom - mer hit just nu,
Bless - ed are you com - ing near. Bless - ed are you com - ing here



väl - sig - na - de vår jord, blir till bröd på vår jord.
to your church in wine and bread, raised from soil, raised from dead.



Du är he - lig, du är hel - het,
You are ho - ly, you are whole - ness,



du är när - het he - la kos - mos lo - var dig!
you are pres - ent. Let the cos - mos praise you, Lord!



Ho - si - an - na, ho - si - an - na,
Sing ho - san - na in the high - est!



ho - si - an - na, ho - si - an - na vår Gud.
Sing ho - san - na! Sing ho - san - na to our God!

* May be sung in canon.

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Music: DU ÄR HELIG, Per Harling
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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.***

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, on this day you open the hearts of your faithful people by sending into us your Holy Spirit. Direct us by the light of that Spirit, that we may have a right judgment in all things and rejoice at all times in your peace, through Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

FIRST LESSON

Acts 2:1-21

¹When the day of Pentecost had come, [the apostles] were all together in one place. ²And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

⁵Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷Amazed and astonished, they asked, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God’s deeds of power.” ¹²All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” ¹³But others sneered and said, “They are filled with new wine.”

¹⁴But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, “Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ¹⁵Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o’clock in the morning. ¹⁶No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

¹⁷In the last days it will be, God declares,
that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
and your young men shall see visions,

and your old men shall dream dreams.
 18Even upon my slaves, both men and women,
 in those days I will pour out my Spirit;
 and they shall prophesy.
 19And I will show portents in the heaven above
 and signs on the earth below,
 blood, and fire, and smoky mist.
 20The sun shall be turned to darkness
 and the moon to blood,
 before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.
 21Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.' ”

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM HYMN

“Oh, Worship the King”

ELW 842



1 Oh, wor - ship the King, all - glo - rious a - bove.
 2 The earth with its store of won - ders un - told,
 3 Your boun - ti - ful care what tongue can re - cite?
 4 Frail chil - dren of dust, and fee - ble as frail,
 5 O mea - sure - less might, in - ef - fa - ble love,



Oh, grate - ful - ly sing God's pow - er and love;
 Al - might - y, your pow'r has found - ed of old;
 It breathes in the air, it shines in the light,
 in you do we trust, nor find you to fail;
 while an - gels de - light to hymn you a - bove,



our shield and de - fend - er, the An - cient of Days,
 es - tab - lished it fast by a change - less de - cree,
 it streams from the hills, it de - scends to the plain,
 your mer - cies, how ten - der, how firm to the end,
 the hum - bler cre - a - tion, though fee - ble their lays,



pa - vil - ioned in splen - dor, and gird - ed with praise.
 and round it has cast, like a man - tle, the sea.
 and sweet - ly dis - tills in the dew and the rain.
 our mak - er, de - fend - er, re - deem - er, and friend.
 with true ad - o - ra - tion shall sing to your praise.

Text: Robert Grant, 1779–1838, alt.
 Music: HANOVER, William Croft, 1678–1727

SECOND LESSON

1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

^{3b}No one can say “Jesus is Lord” except by the Holy Spirit.

⁴Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; ⁶and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. ⁷To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

¹²For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. ¹³For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

This is the word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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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.

GOSPEL

John 20:19-23

The holy gospel according to John. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

¹⁹When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁰After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." ²²When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

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

SERMON

Rev Valerian J Ahles

HYMN OF THE DAY

"O Living Breath of God"

ELW 407



- 1 O liv-ing Breath of God, wind at the be-gin - ning up-on the wa - ters;
- 2 O liv-ing Breath of God, by whose pow'r the Son came to birth a - mong us;
- 3 O liv-ing Breath of God, bear-ing us to life through bap-tis-mal wa - ters;



- O liv-ing Breath of God, bear-ing the cre - a - tion to won-drous birth:
- O liv-ing Breath of God, who to the cre - a - tion gives life a - new:
- O liv-ing Breath of God, sigh-ing with cre - a - tion for free-dom's birth:

Refrain



Come now, and fill our spir - its; pour out your gifts a - bun - dant.



O liv-ing Breath of God, Ho-ly Spir-it, breathe in us as we pray.

Text: Osvaldo Catena, 1920-1986; tr. Gerhard M. Cartford, b. 1923
Music: VÄRVINDAR FRISKA, Swedish folk tune
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*We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.*

*We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.*

*For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.*

*For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.*

*On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven*

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

*He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.*

*We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,*
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.*

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

*We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.*

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION (Hear us, O God. ***Your mercy is great.***)

United in the hope and joy of the resurrection, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

Passionate God, you sent your Spirit through the gifts of fire, wind, and word. As you equipped the disciples for their work, equip us to bring the good news to all those who long for you. Hear us, O God. ***Your mercy is great.***

Restoring God, wind and flame bring life and destruction throughout the world. We pray for those who work with wind energy, for migratory birds, for protection for lands facing destructive fire, for forestry managers and firefighters. Renew the face of the earth. Hear us, O God. ***Your mercy is great.***

Ever-present God, your spirit embraces all. Send your spirit of understanding to immigrants, refugees, and any experiencing language barriers. Bless the work of translators, ESL teachers, ambassadors, and international peace organizations. Safely guide those fleeing war and danger. Hear us, O God. ***Your mercy is great.***

Merciful God, you anoint us with your spirit. Bless nurses, doctors, midwives, chaplains, counselors, and hospice workers as they care for those in need. We pray for all who seek your comfort (*especially*). Hear us, O God. ***Your mercy is great.***

Generous God, you impart a variety of gifts. Set aflame the desire to learn from one another, especially those who differ from us. Make your presence known through missionaries, peace workers, and through the outreach ministries of our synod and community (*especially*). Hear us, O God. ***Your mercy is great.***

Here other intercessions may be offered.

Life-giving God, we give thanks for those who have died to new life in you (*especially*). As we observe Memorial Day, we remember those who died in military service. Comfort all who mourn, and usher in a world where war is no more. Hear us, O God. ***Your mercy is great.***

Rejoicing in the victory of Christ's resurrection, we lift our prayers and praise to you, almighty and eternal God; through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. ***Amen.***

PEACE

Sisters and brothers, rejoice and share the peace of the Lord with each other. Peace be with you! ***And also with you.***

OFFERING / OFFERTORY HYMN

"I Come with Joy"

ELW 482



1 I come with joy, a child of God, for - giv - en, loved, and
2 I come with Chris - tians far and near to find, as all are
3 As Christ breaks bread, and bids us share, each proud di - vi - sion
4 The Spir - it of the ris - en Christ, un - seen, but ev - er
5 To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound by all that God has



free, the life of Je - sus to re - call in
fed, the new com - mu - ni - ty of love in
ends. The love that made us, makes us one, and
near, is in such friend - ship bet - ter known, a -
done, we'll go with joy, to give the world the



love laid down for me, in love laid down for me.
Christ's com - mu - nion bread, in Christ's com - mu - nion bread.
strang - ers now are friends, and strang - ers now are friends.
live a - mong us here, a - live a - mong us here.
love that makes us one, the love that makes us one.

Text: Brian A. Wren, b. 1936

Music: DOVE OF PEACE, W. Walker, *Southern Harmony*, 1835

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OFFERTORY PRAYER

Gracious God, in this meal you offer your very self. We give thanks for these gifts of the earth. In the breaking of this bread reveal to us the Risen One. In the pouring of this wine pour us out in service to the world; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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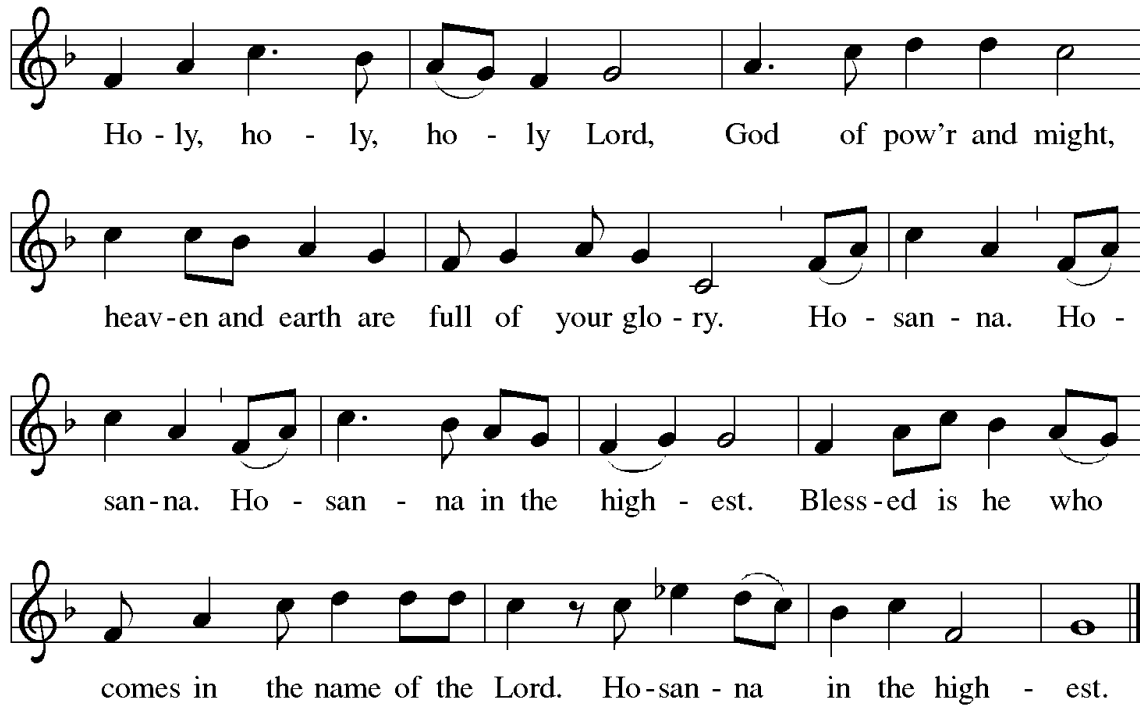
The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

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.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. You call your people to cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast, that renewed in the gift of baptism, we may come to the fullness of

your grace. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



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.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER IV

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Blessed are you, O God of the universe. Your mercy is everlasting and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth. Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood. Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea. Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness to the land of milk and honey. Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one. Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ. Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

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 for the 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 sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's Passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith: ***Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.***

O God of resurrection and new life: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and wine. Bless this feast. Grace our table with your presence. ***Come, Holy Spirit.***

Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread. Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world. Breathe new life into us. Send us forth, burning with justice, peace, and love. ***Come, Holy Spirit.***

With your holy ones of all times and place, with the earth and all its creatures, with sun and moon and stars, we praise you, O God, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever. ***Amen.***

THE 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 / PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Gracious God, in you we live and move and have our being. With your word and this meal of grace, you have nourished our life together. Strengthen us to show your love and serve the world in Jesus' name. ***Amen.***

BLESSING

God of all, who raised † Jesus from the dead, bless you by the power of the Holy Spirit to live in the new creation. ***Amen.***

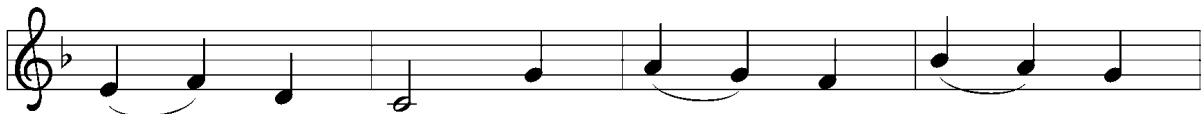
SENDING HYMN

“The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve”

ELW 551



1 The Spir - it sends us forth to serve; we go in
2 We go to com - fort those who mourn and set the
3 We go to be the hands of Christ, to scat - ter
4 Then let us go to serve in peace, the gos - pel



Je - sus' name to bring glad tid - ings
bur - dened free; where hope is dim, to
joy like seed and, all our days, to
to pro - claim. God's Spir - it has em -



to the poor, God's fa - vor to pro - claim.
share a dream and help the blind to see.
cher - ish life, to do the lov - ing deed.
pow - ered us; we go in Je - sus' name.

Text: Delores Dufner, OSB, b. 1939

Music: CHESTERFIELD, attr. Thomas Haweis, 1734–1820

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DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Risen One. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE