Lord of the Valley Lutheran Church

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LOTV Worship with Holy Communion

Sunday, November 15th, 2026 25th Sunday after Pentecost

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as people of God.

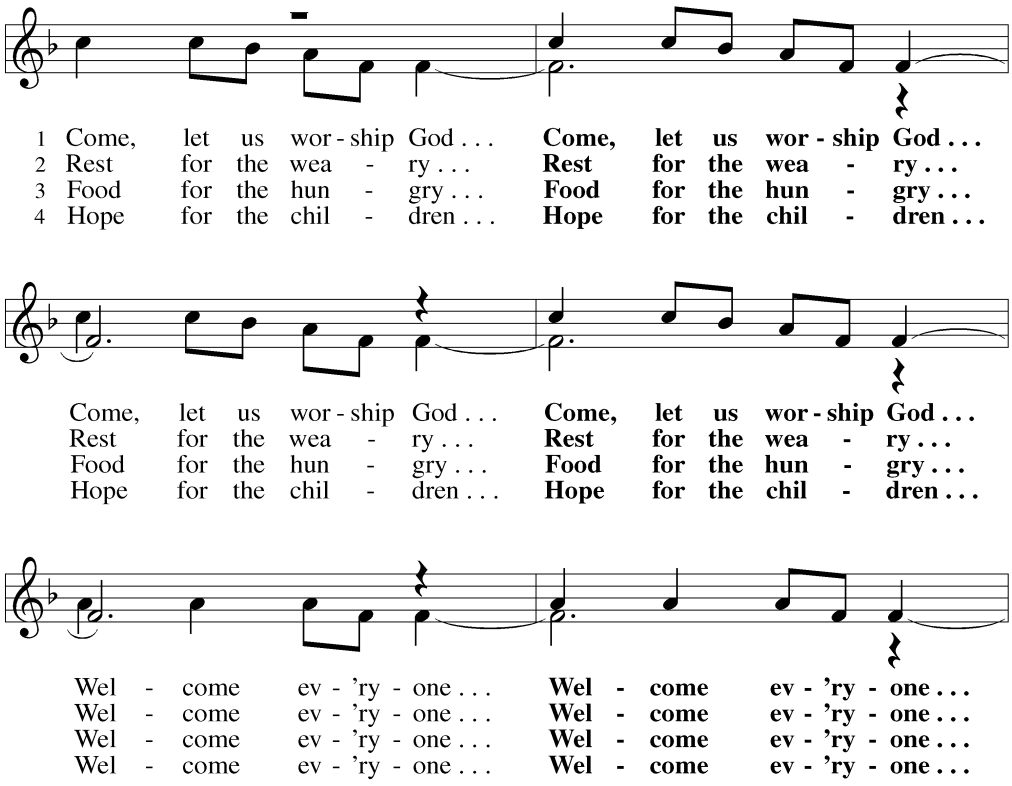
Welcome and Announcements

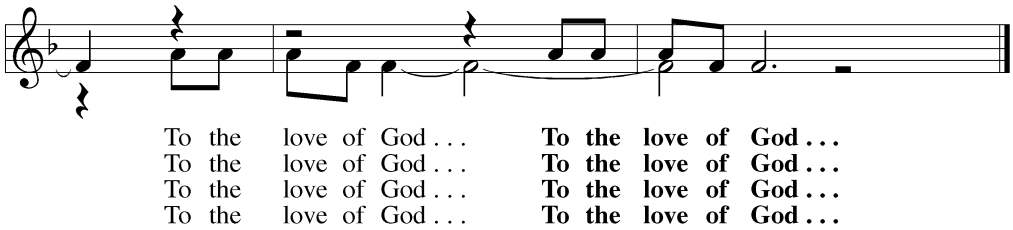
Welcoming One Another with Christ's Peace

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.
C: And also with you.

Because Lord of the Valley is a welcoming church, we take a moment to share Christ's peace and greet one another, especially if there is someone you haven't met or seen in a while, so that we can worship together in peace and unity.

Gathering Song "Come, Let Us Worship God"





Confession & Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,
who pours love into our hearts
and healing upon the earth.
Amen.

Confident that God justifies us by grace through faith,
let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Compassionate God,
we confess that we struggle to embody your goodness
in the world and in our own hearts.
Creation groans from overuse.
Jealousy and bitterness strain our relationships.
Indifference keeps us from seeking justice.
Divisions disrupt your call to show genuine love to others.
Turn our hearts back to you.
Restore our world and reconcile us to one another.
Renew us to live as your holy people,
following the way of Jesus Christ.
Amen.

Hear this good news:
We have peace with God through Jesus Christ,
in whom there is no condemnation,
but only forgiveness and the promise of eternal life.
In the name of ☩ Jesus Christ, all your sins are forgiven.
Receive freely this healing gift of grace.
Amen.

Rise Up and Sing



Greeting

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

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray,
C: Righteous God, our merciful master, you own the earth and all its peoples, and you give us all that we have. Inspire us to serve you with justice and wisdom, and prepare us for the joy of the day of your coming, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

God speaks to us in the Scriptures, preaching, and song.

Music to Receive the Word

We sing together to open our hearts and minds to hear God's Word, good news (gospel) for all people.

Spirit of the Living God



Scriptures

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11 – Be alert for the day of the Lord

1 Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything
written to you. 2 For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the
night. 3 When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them,
as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! 4 But you, brothers and
sisters, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; 5 for you are all children of light and
children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. 6 So, then, let us not fall asleep as others
do, but let us keep awake and be sober, 7 for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are
drunk get drunk at night. 8 But since we belong to the day, let us be sober and put on the breastplate
of faith and love and for a helmet the hope of salvation. 9 For God has destined us not for wrath but
for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, 10 who died for us, so that whether we are awake
or asleep we may live with him. 11 Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as
indeed you are doing.

R: The Word of God for the People of God.
C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 90:1-8 [9-11] 12 – So teach us to number our days that we may apply our hearts to wisdom. (Ps. 90:12)

1 Lord, you have been our refuge
from one generation to another.
2 Before the mountains were brought forth, or the land and the earth were born,from age to age you are God.
3 You turn us back to the dust and say,
"Turn back, O children of earth."
4 For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past and like a watch in the night;
5 you sweep them away like a dream,
they fade away suddenly like the grass:
**6 in the morning it is green and flourishes;
in the evening it is dried up and withered.**
7 For we are consumed by your anger;
we are afraid because of your wrath.
**8 Our iniquities you have set before you,
and our secret sins in the light of your countenance.**
[9 When you are angry, all our days are gone;
we bring our years to an end like a sigh.
**10 The span of our life is seventy years, perhaps in strength even eighty;
yet the sum of them is but labor and sorrow, for they pass away quickly
and we are gone.**
11 Who regards the power of your wrath?
Who rightly fears your indignation?
] **12 So teach us to number our days
that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.**

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Matthew 25:14-30 – The story of the slaves entrusted with talents

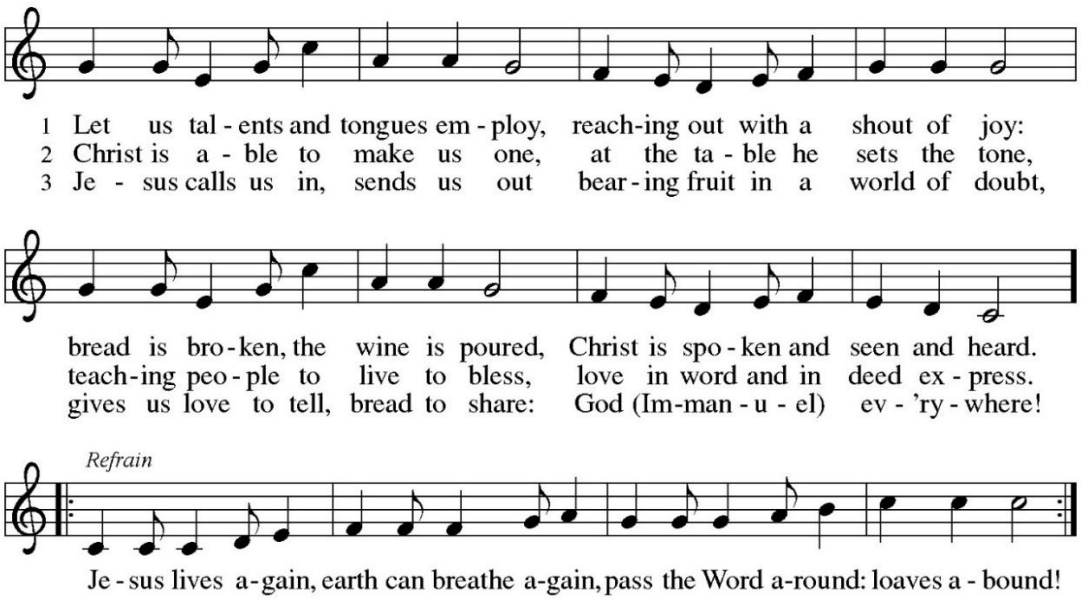
[Jesus said to the disciples:] 14 "For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and
entrusted his property to them; 15 to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each
according to his ability. Then he went away. At once 16 the one who had received the five talents
went off and traded with them and made five more talents. 17 In the same way, the one who had the
two talents made two more talents. 18 But the one who had received the one talent went off and
dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. 19 After a long time the master of those slaves
came and settled accounts with them. 20 Then the one who had received the five talents came
forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have
made five more talents.' 21 His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have
been trustworthy in a few things; I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your
master.' 22 And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to
me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.' 23 His master said to him, 'Well done, good and
trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things; I will put you in charge of many things;
enter into the joy of your master.' 24 Then the one who had received the one talent also came
forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow and
gathering where you did not scatter, 25 so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground.
Here you have what is yours.' 26 But his master replied, 'You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you,
that I reap where I did not sow and gather where I did not scatter? 27 Then you ought to have
invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with
interest. 28 So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. 29 For to all those
who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance, but from those who have nothing,
even what they have will be taken away. 30 As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer
darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' "

P: The Gospel of the Lord.
C: Thanks be to God.

Children's Message & Sunday School

Sermon

Song of the Day *"Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ"* *ELW 674*



Prayers of the People

L: God, in your mercy,

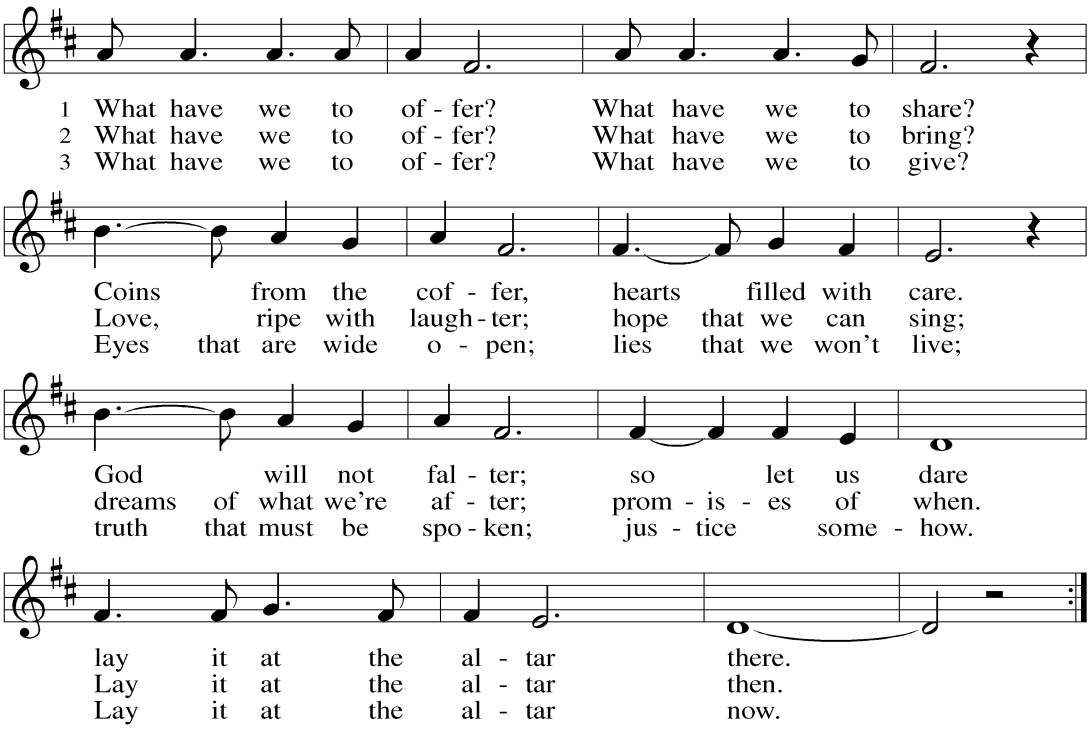
C: hear our prayer.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

Offering

Offering Response *"What Have We to Offer"*





Offering Prayer

A: God of creation,
C: You send rain and the earth springs forth abundantly.
All blessings are from you;
make us generous with what we have.
Use our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts
in service to you and in love to our neighbors,
today and always.
Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

P: The Lord be with you.
C: And also with you.

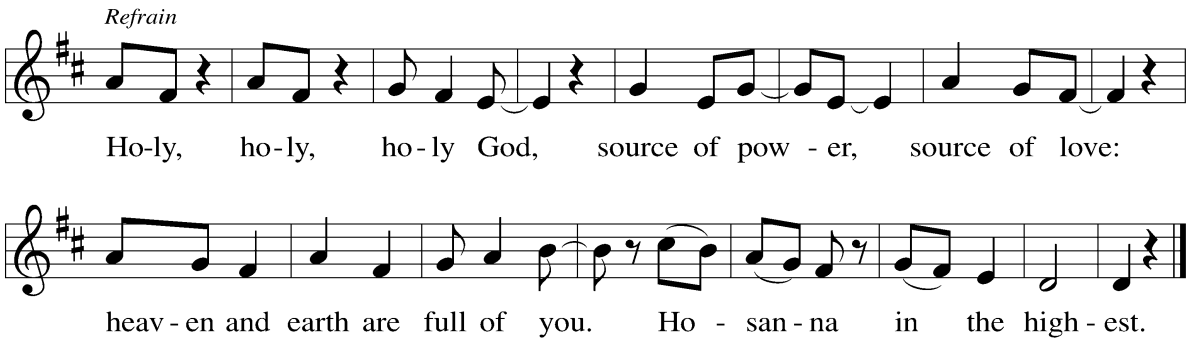
P: Lift up your hearts.
C: We lift them to the Lord.

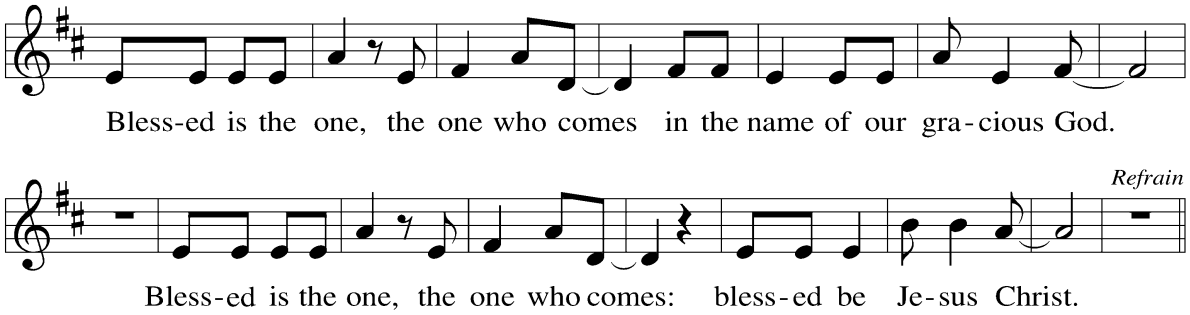
P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
C: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places…

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:

Holy, Holy, Holy God





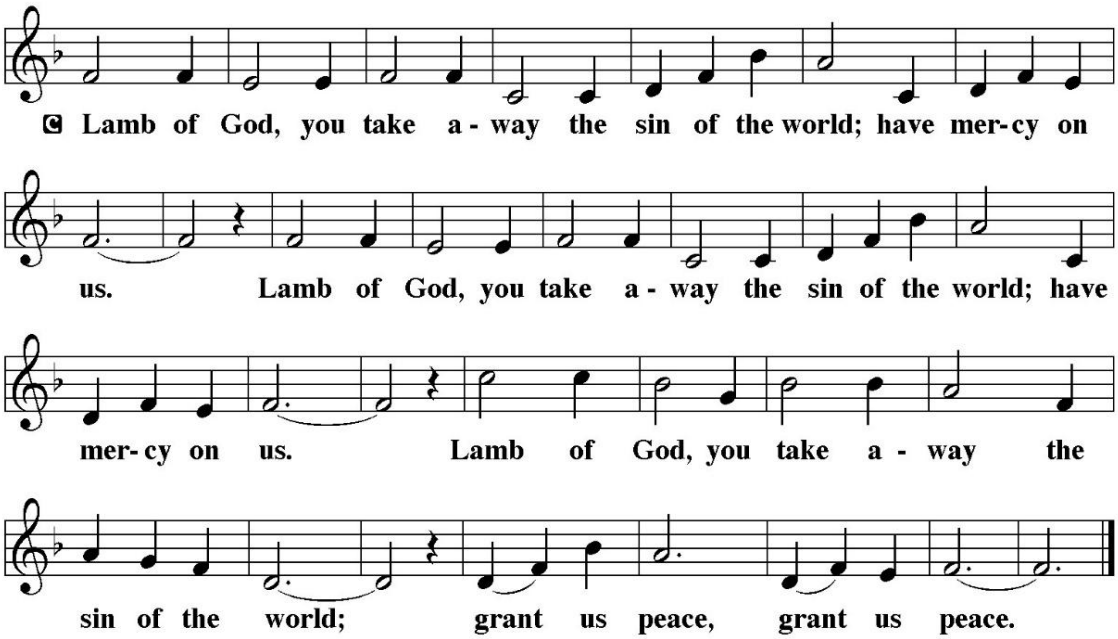
Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

P: Lord, remember us in your love, and teach us to pray;
C: 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.

Distribution of Communion
We invite all who come in faith to the Lord's Table as we celebrate Holy Communion in our worship today. For those who prefer, grape juice and gluten free wafers are available, let the server know as you approach. Those not communing are welcome to come forward for a blessing.

Lamb of God



Post-Communion Blessing

Post-Communion Prayer

P: Sustaining God,
C: with this bread and cup,
you nourish us with mercy and abundant life.
By your Spirit, send us from this table to serve a needy world.
Make us living signs of your liberation, healing, and love,
following the way of Jesus, in whose name we pray.
Amen.

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

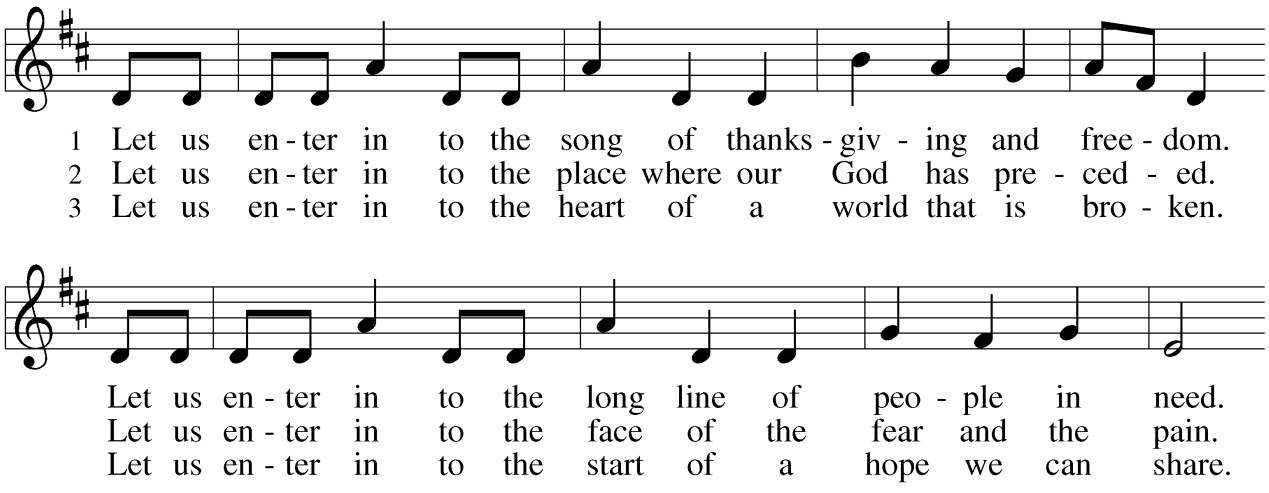
Blessing

P: The God of love
draw you into full accord and one mind,
in the body of Christ Jesus.
C: Amen.
P: The God of hope
grant you strength and joy in all circumstances
through the interceding of the Spirit.
C: Amen.

P: The God of grace
✢ bless you now and forever.
C: Amen.

Sending Song

Let Us Enter In





Dismissal

A: Go out in joy. Be led forth in peace.

C: Thanks be to God. And we will!

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