

25TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST—[LECTIONARY 33]

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SABBATH REFLECTION

Variations on “Wondrous Love”

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WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

***INVOCATION**

In the name of the Father,

and of ✝ the Son,

and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Have mercy on us, O God.

**We confess that we have sinned against you
and against our neighbor.**

**We have built walls instead of tables
and have turned away the stranger.**

**We have sought glory for ourselves
and have treasured that which does not satisfy.**

**Help us to love as you love,
to welcome those you send,
and to treasure mercy and justice.**

**Turn us from our ways to your ways,
and free us to serve those in need. Amen.**

God, who makes all things new,
forgives your sins for ✝ Jesus' sake
and remembers them no more.

Lift up your heads and your hearts.

Yours is the kingdom of God.

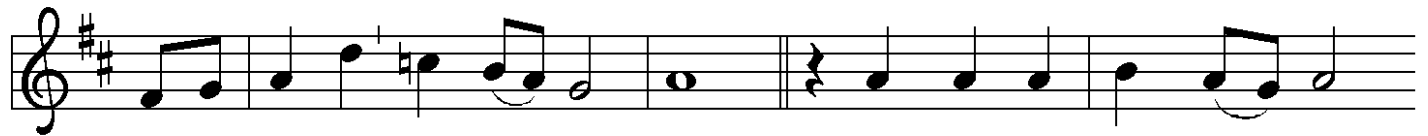
Amen.

***HYMN OF PRAISE "This is the Feast"**

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb

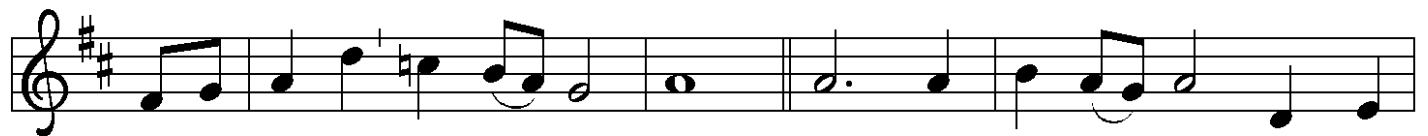


who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.


Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and

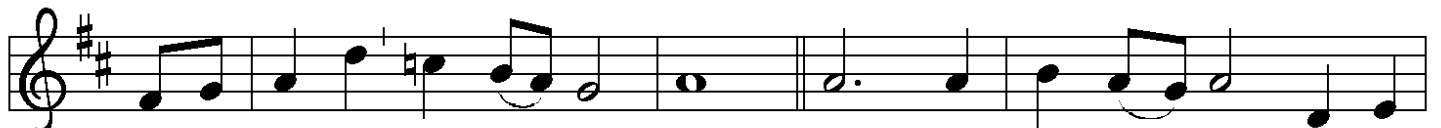


strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of



God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon-or,




glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.


Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 4 For the Lamb who was



slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

Final refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.

Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you

Let us pray. Almighty God,

your sovereign purpose brings salvation to birth. Give us faith to be steadfast amid the tumults of this world, trusting that your kingdom comes and your will is done through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

PSALM: PSALM 16

-setting, Ray Makeever

Refrain



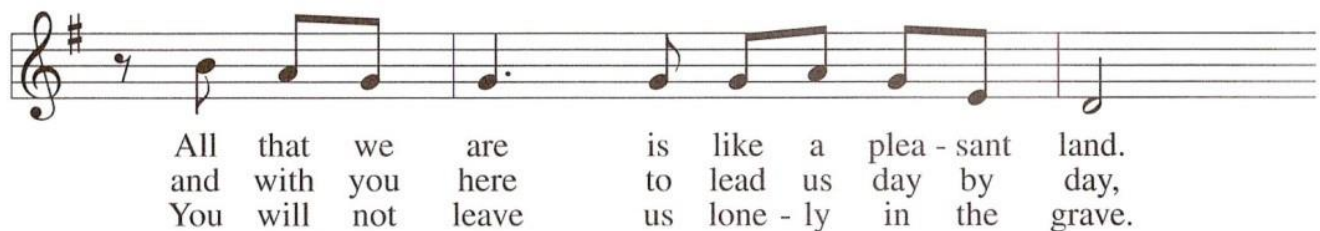
You show us the path of life; in your
pres-ence, O God, there is full-ness of joy. You show us the
path of life; at your right hand are plea-sures ev - er - more.



1 Our dai - ly feast, O God, our bless - ing cup:
2 So it is you we bless, O God, our guide;
3 Our hearts are glad; in spir - it we re - joice.



it is you who hold us, lift us up.
in our hearts each night your words a - bide;
Bod - ies rest in hope; we hear your voice.



All that we are is like a plea - sant land.
and with you here to lead us day by day,
You will not leave us lone - ly in the grave.



All that is good comes from your gra - cious hand.
In your hand in hand we shall not fall a - way.
In you we live; in you we shall be saved.

Refrain

*GOSPEL Mark 13:1-8

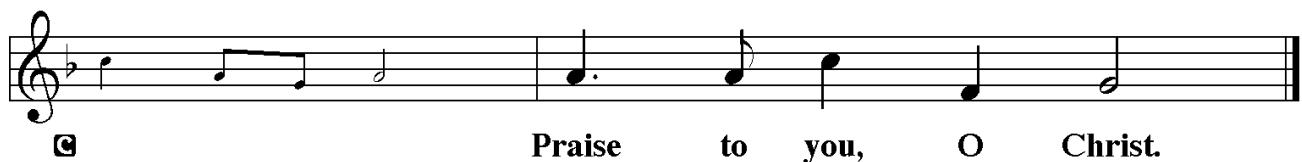
The holy gospel according to St. Mark, the 8th chapter.



¹As [Jesus] came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, “Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!” ²Then Jesus asked him, “Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down.”

³When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, ⁴“Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?” ⁵Then Jesus began to say to them, “Beware that no one leads you astray. ⁶Many will come in my name and say, ‘I am he!’ and they will lead many astray. ⁷When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. ⁸For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs.”

The gospel of the Lord.



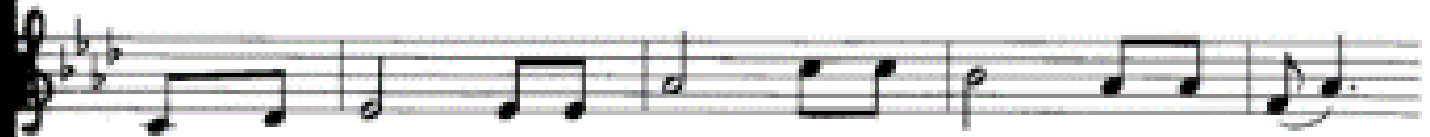
DWELLING IN THE WORD

HOMILY “Christ Centered Chaos”

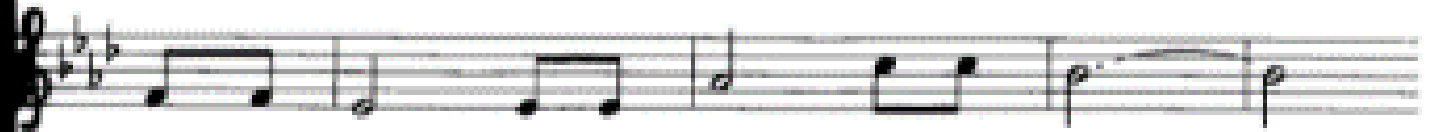
Vicar Jamie Witt

Precious Lord, Take My Hand

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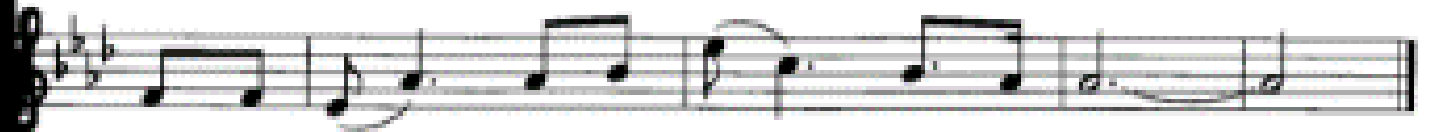
1 Pre - cious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, let me stand,
2 When my way grows . . drear, pre-cious Lord, lin - ger near,
3 When the dark - ness ap - pears and the night draws . . near,



I am tired, I am weak, I am worn.
when my life is . . . al - most . . gone,
and the day is . . . past and . . . gone,



Through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light.
hear my cry, hear my call, hold my hand lest I fall.
at the riv - er I stand, guide my feet, hold my hand.



Take my hand, pre-cious Lord, lead me home.

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PRECIOUS LORD

Irregular

***APOSTLES' CREED**

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

**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.**

***PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Eternal God, you hold firm amid the changes of this world.

Hear us now as we pray for the church, the world, and everyone in need.

A brief silence.

God our creator, you show us the path of life. Bless faithful people everywhere with humility as they extend compassion to those who have experienced harm in religious spaces. Cultivate healthy congregations that tell of and enact your reconciling love.

God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

God our ruler, you write your law on human minds and hearts. Give wisdom to all elected leaders and officials to govern with insight and compassion. Make them mindful of the well-being of all people so that your world will flourish.

God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

God our stronghold, you are present amid disaster. We pray for those affected by chaos in their lives, be it illness, life situation changes, accidents, grief, or any events that cause anxiety and worry. Calm their fear, supply their need, and be the solid ground beneath their feet.

God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

God our guide, you are greater than we can imagine. Surround congregations with your expansive inclusion. Be present in the midst of disagreements, differences, and questions. Unite people of diverse viewpoints in the love of Christ.

God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

God our hope and strength, we entrust to you all for whom we pray. Remain with us always, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

***EXCHANGE OF PEACE**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

MUSICAL OFFERING

“The Apple Tree” –Richard Jeffrey

Text: Anonymous; New Hampshire, 1784; Public Domain

*The tree of life my soul has seen,
laden with fruit and always green.
The trees of nature fruitless be
compared with Christ, the apple tree.*

*His beauty does all things excel.
By faith I know, but ne'er can tell,
The glory which I now can see
in Jesus Christ, the apple tree.*

*For happiness I long have sought,
and pleasure dearly I have bought.
I missed of all but now I see,
'tis found in Christ, the apple tree.*

*I'm weary with my former toil,
here I will sit and rest awhile.
Under the shadow I will be
of Jesus Christ, the apple tree.*

*This fruit does make my soul to thrive,
it keeps my dying faith alive.
It makes my soul in haste to be
with Jesus Christ, the apple tree.*
(end)

*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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.

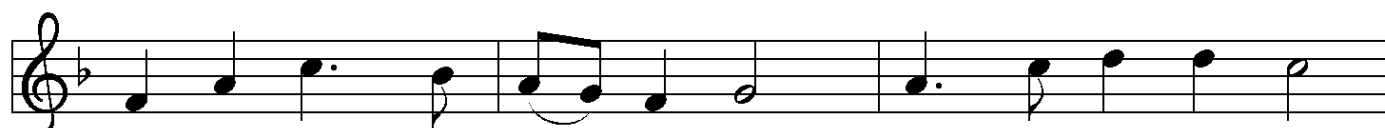
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our calling 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.

By the witness of your saints
you show us the hope of our calling
and strengthen us to run the race set before us,
that we may delight in your mercy and rejoice with them in glory.
And so, with all the saints,
with the choirs of angels and all the hosts of heaven,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS



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**

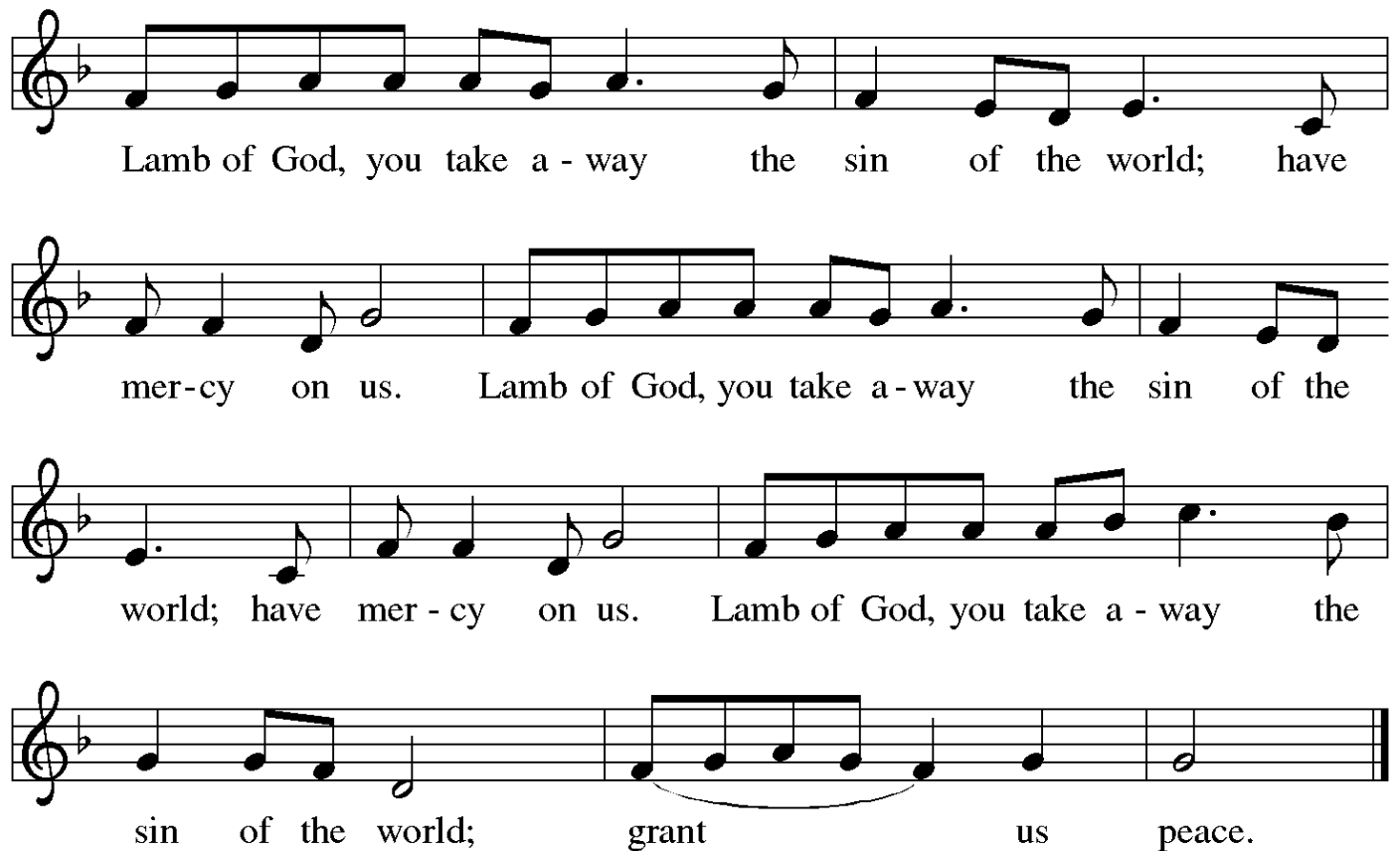
***LORD'S PRAYER**

Let us pray with confidence in the words our Savior gave us:

**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**

LAMB OF GOD



The musical notation is written on four staves in a single system. Each staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is written in a simple, hymn-like style. The lyrics are printed below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across two notes. The lyrics are: "Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; grant us peace." The word "grant" is underlined with a curved line.

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

HOLY COMMUNION

COMMUNION SONGS

“O God beyond All Praising”

ELW # 880

Text: Michael Perry, 1942-1996

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**O God beyond all praising,
we worship you today
and sing the love amazing
that songs cannot repay;**

**for we can only wonder
at ev'ry gift you send,
at blessings without number
and mercies without end:**

**we lift our hearts before you
and wait upon your word,
we honor and adore you,
our great and mighty Lord.**

**The flow'r of earthly splendor
in time must surely die,
its fragile bloom surrender
to you, the Lord most high;**

**but hidden from all nature
the eternal seed is sown—
though small in mortal stature,
to heaven's garden grown:**

**for Christ, your gift from heaven,
from death has set us free,
and we through him are given
the final victory.**

**Then hear, O gracious Savior,
accept the love we bring,
that we who know your favor
may serve you as our King;**

**and whether our tomorrows
be filled with good or ill,
we'll triumph through our sorrows
and rise to bless you still:**

**to marvel at your beauty
and glory in your ways,
and make a joyful duty
our sacrifice of praise.**

COMMUNION HYMN Jerusalem, My Happy Home ELW # 628

Text: F.B.P., 16th cent.; Public Domain

**Jerusalem, my happy home,
when shall I come to thee?
When shall my sorrows have an end?
Thy joys when shall I see?**

**O happy harbor of the saints,
O sweet and pleasant soil!
In thee no sorrow may be found,
no grief, no care, no toil.**

**Thy gardens and thy gallant walks
continually are green;
there grow such sweet and pleasant flow'rs
as nowhere else are seen.**

**There trees forevermore bear fruit
and evermore do spring;
there evermore the angels sit
and evermore do sing.**

**Jerusalem, Jerusalem,
God grant that I may see
thine endless joy, and of the same
partaker ever be!**

***COMMUNION BLESSING**

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ
strengthen you and keep you in His grace.

Amen.

CANTICLE



Thank-ful hearts and voic - es raise; tell ev-'ry-one what God has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - jice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.



Send us with your prom - is - es and lead your peo - ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Text: John W. Arthur, 1922-1980
Music: Richard W. Hillert, b. 1923
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***SENDING PRAYER**

***BENEDICTION**

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

In the name of the Father, ✝ the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

***DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

“Postlude in G Major”

–W Eugene Thayer



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