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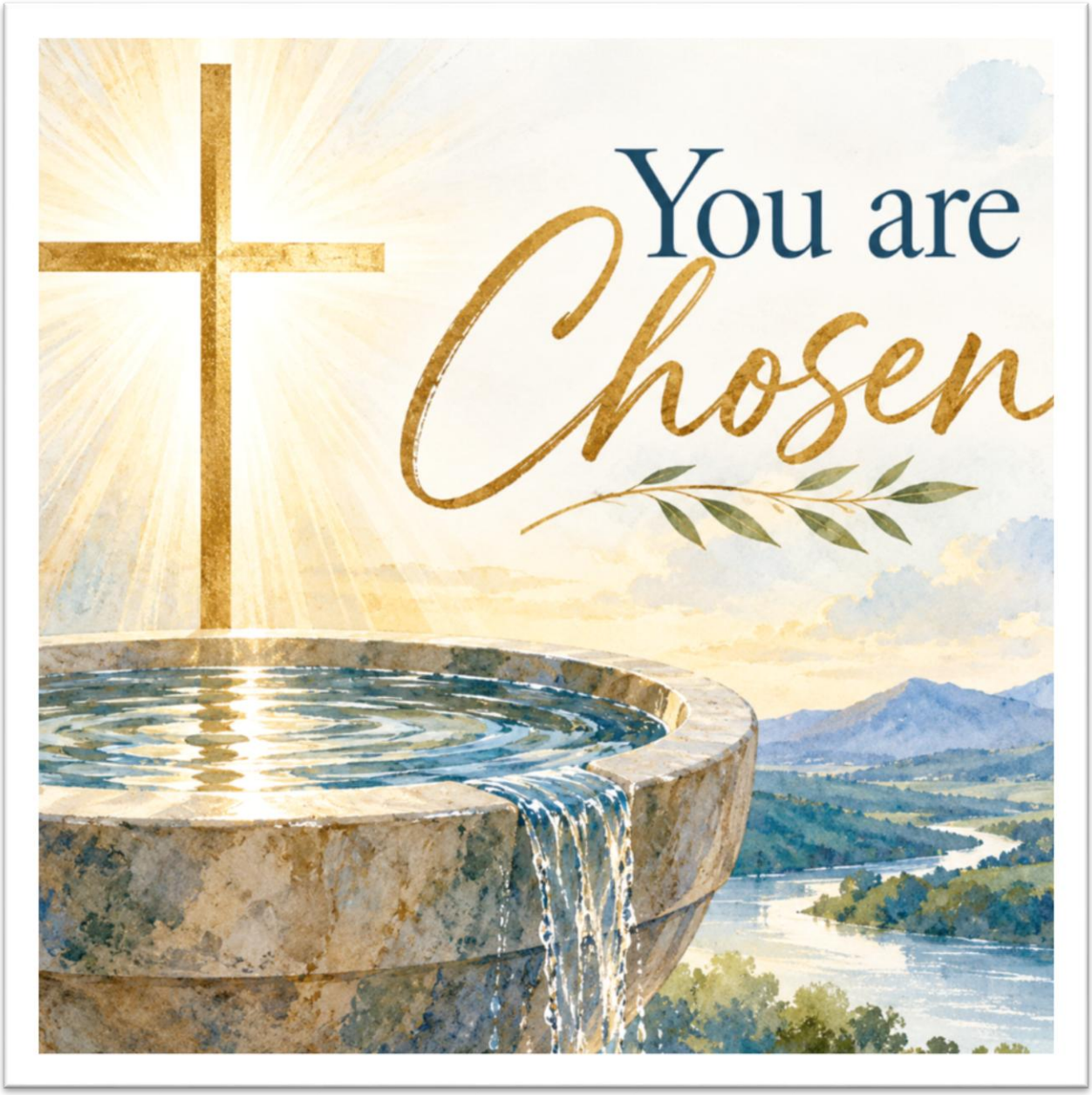
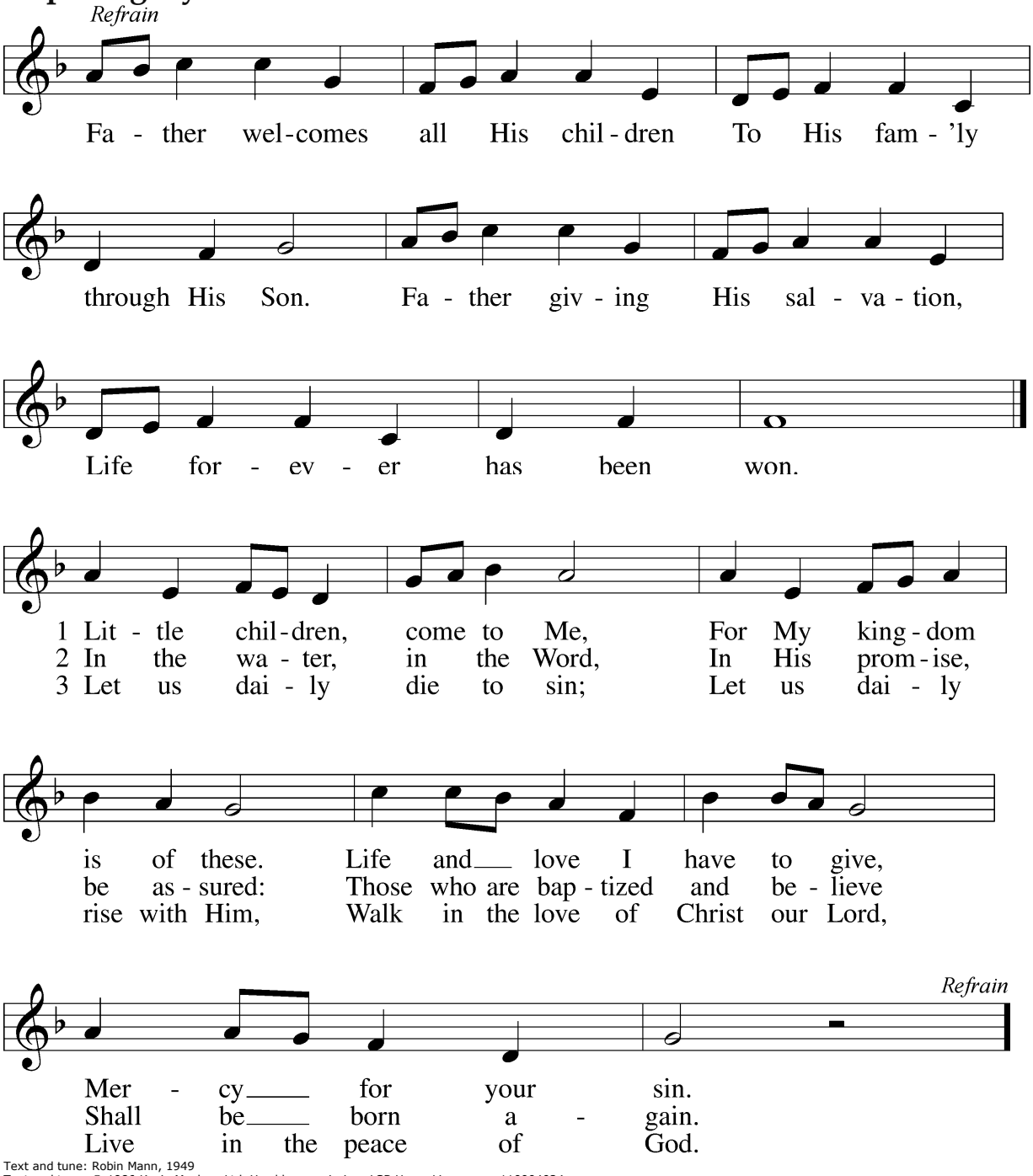


Welcome!

Opening Hymn: 605 Father Welcomes

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Rite of Baptism of Hayden Henry Noble

P In the name of the Father and of the ✢ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

P Dearly beloved, Christ our Lord says in the last chapter of Matthew, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the ✢ Son and of the Holy Spirit."

In the last chapter of Mark, our Lord promises, "Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved." And the apostle Peter has written, "Baptism now saves you."

The Word of God also teaches that we are all conceived and born sinful and are under the power of the devil until Christ claims us as His own. We would be lost forever unless delivered from sin, death, and everlasting condemnation.

But the Father of all mercy and grace has sent His Son Jesus Christ, who atoned for the sin of the whole world, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

P Jen and Jeremy - How is this child to be named?
R: Hayden Henry Noble.

(The pastor makes the sign of the holy cross upon the forehead and heart while saying:)
P *Hayden Henry Noble,* receive the sign of the holy cross both upon your forehead and upon your heart to mark you as one redeemed by Christ the crucified.

P Let us pray.
Almighty and eternal God, according to Your strict judgment You condemned the unbelieving world through the flood. Yet according to Your great mercy You preserved believing Noah and his family, eight souls in all.

You drowned hard-hearted Pharaoh and all his host in the Red Sea, yet led Your people Israel through the water on dry ground, foreshadowing this washing of Your holy baptism.

Through the baptism in the Jordan of Your beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, You sanctified and instituted all waters to be a blessed flood and a lavish washing away of sin.

We pray that You would behold *Hayden Henry Noble* according to Your boundless mercy and bless him with true faith by the Holy Spirit, that through this saving flood all sin in him, which has been inherited from Adam and which he himself has committed since, would be drowned and die.

Grant that he be kept safe and secure in the holy ark of the Christian Church, being separated from the multitude of unbelievers and serving Your name at all times with a fervent spirit and a joyful hope, so that with all believers in Your promise he would be declared worthy of eternal life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord.
C Amen.

(*The pastor addresses the sponsors. Anthony Coppola and Gracemary Baumann*)
P Anthony and Gracemary, as baptismal sponsors, you have a special responsibility to support Hayden as he grows in the Christian faith.

You are called to pray for him, encourage him as he learns God's Word, and help guide him toward a life of faith in Jesus Christ and participation in the Lord's Supper.

You are called to be examples of Christian faith and love through the way you live your own lives.

P Is it your intention to serve Hayden Henry Noble as sponsors in the Christian faith?
Sponsors: Yes, with the help of God.

P God enable you both to will and to do this faithful and loving work, and with His grace fulfill what we are unable to do.
C Amen.

P Hear the Holy Gospel according to St. Mark.
"They brought young children to Jesus, that He might touch them. But the disciples rebuked those who brought them. But when Jesus saw it, He was greatly displeased and said to them, "Let the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of God. Assuredly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will by no means enter it." And He took them up in His arms, put His hands on them, and blessed them."
P This is the Word of the Lord.
C Thanks be to God.

(The pastor places his hands on the head of the child, and the congregation joins in praying:)
C The Lord's Prayer

(The pastor addresses the parents and sponsors and asks the following questions:)
P Do you renounce the devil?
R Yes, I renounce him.

P Do you renounce all his works?
R Yes, I renounce them.

P Do you renounce all his ways?
R Yes, I renounce them.

P Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth?
R Yes, I believe.

P Do you 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead?
R Yes, I believe.

P Do you 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?
R Yes, I believe.

P Jen and Jeremy, do you desire this child to be baptized?
R Yes, I do.

(The pastor pours water three times on the head of the infant while saying:)
P Hayden Henry Noble, I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

(The pastor places his hands on the head of the newly baptized infant while saying:)
P The almighty God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given you the new birth of water and of the Spirit and has forgiven you all your sins, strengthen you with His grace to life everlasting.
C Amen.

(The pastor may light a baptismal candle and give it to the newly baptized while saying:)
P Receive this burning light to show that you have received Christ, who is the Light of the world. Live always in the light of Christ, and be ever watchful for His coming, that you may meet Him with joy and enter with Him into the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which shall have no end.

(While remaining at the font, the pastor prays the following:)
P Let us pray.
Almighty and merciful God and Father, we thank and praise You that You graciously preserve and enlarge Your family and have granted Hayden Henry Noble the new birth in holy baptism and made him a member of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, and an heir of Your heavenly kingdom.

We humbly implore You that, as he has now become Your child, You would keep him in his baptismal grace, that according to Your good pleasure he may faithfully grow to lead a godly life to the praise and honor of Your holy name and finally, with all of Your saints, obtain the promised inheritance in heaven; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
C Amen.

Prayer for the Parents
P Lord and giver of life, look with kindness upon the father and mother of this child, and upon all our parents. Let them ever rejoice in the gift You have given them.
Enable them to be teachers and examples of righteousness for their children. Strengthen them in their own baptism, that they may share eternally with their children the salvation You have given them; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
C Amen.

P Peace ✢ be with you.
C Amen.

Confession and Absolution

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✢ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

Song of Praise - Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)

Collect of the Day

P Let us pray.

O God, You are the protector of all who trust in You. Have mercy on us, and guide us through the things of this life, so that we never lose sight of the eternal life You have promised us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Sharing in the Peace

(People may greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "Peace be with you," as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Matt. 5:22–24; Eph. 4:1–3).)

Old Testament Reading *Isaiah 45:1–7*

1 Thus says the LORD to his anointed, to Cyrus,
whose right hand I have grasped,
to subdue nations before him
and to loose the belts of kings,
to open doors before him
that gates may not be closed:

2"I will go before you
and level the exalted places,
I will break in pieces the doors of bronze
and cut through the bars of iron,
3I will give you the treasures of darkness
and the hoards in secret places,
that you may know that it is I, the LORD,
the God of Israel, who call you by your name.
4For the sake of my servant Jacob,
and Israel my chosen,
I call you by your name,
I name you, though you do not know me.
5I am the LORD, and there is no other,
besides me there is no God;
I equip you, though you do not know me,
6that people may know, from the rising of the sun
and from the west, that there is none besides me;
I am the LORD, and there is no other.
7I form light and create darkness,
I make well-being and create calamity,
I am the LORD, who does all these things."

A This is the Word of the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle *1 Thessalonians 1:1–10*

1Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,

To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:

Grace to you and peace.
2We give thanks to God always for all of you, constantly
mentioning you in our prayers, 3remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. 4For we know, brothers loved by God, that he has chosen you, 5because our gospel came to you not only in word, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction. You know what kind of men we proved to be among you for your sake. 6And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for you received the word in much affliction, with the joy of the Holy Spirit, 7so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. 8For not only has the word of the Lord sounded forth from you in Macedonia and Achaia, but your faith in God has gone forth everywhere, so that we need not say anything. 9For they themselves report concerning us the kind of

reception we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God, [10]and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, Jesus who delivers us from the wrath to come.

A This is the Word of the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

Holy Gospel *Matthew 22:15–22*

[15]Then the Pharisees went and plotted how to entangle [Jesus] in his talk. [16]And they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are true and teach the way of God truthfully, and you do not care about anyone's opinion, for you are not swayed by appearances. [17]Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar, or not?" [18]But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why put me to the test, you hypocrites? [19]Show me the coin for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. [20]And Jesus said to them, "Whose likeness and inscription is this?" [21]They said, "Caesar's." Then he said to them, "Therefore render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's." [22]When they heard it, they marveled. And they left him and went away.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Sermon Pastor Mark Chaffee

Sung Confession of Faith *This I Believe (The Creed)*

Prayer of the Church

Offering & Offertory Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow (LSB 805)

Service of the Sacrament

Prayer of Thanksgiving LSB 178

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

P Hear us as we pray and as He taught us - **The Lord's Prayer**

The Words of Our Lord
P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

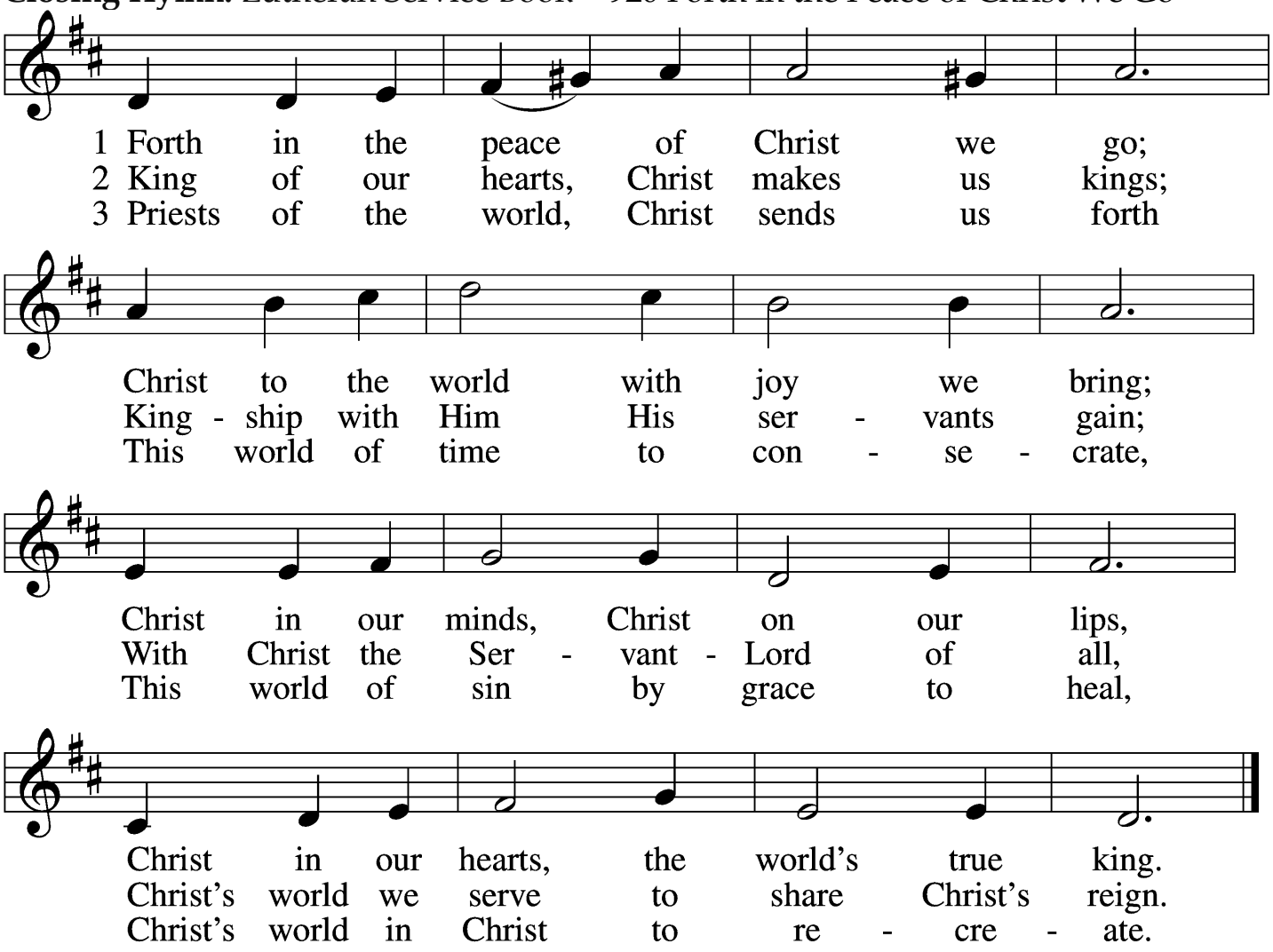
Pax Domini
P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C **Amen.**

Distribution

Communion Hymns:
Behold The Lamb
Brown Hymnal 160 Break Thou the Bread of Life
Brown Hymnal 236 Just a Closer Walk With Thee
Brown Hymnal 527 Thou Art Worthy

Post-Communion Collect
P Let us pray.
We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C **Amen.**

Benediction
P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and grant you peace.
C **Amen.**

Closing Hymn: Lutheran Service Book - 920 Forth in the Peace of Christ We Go

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P Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.
C **Thanks be to God.**

Announcements

Preparing for Holy Communion: The Bible teaches us that we need to examine ourselves before coming to the Lord's Supper (1 Cor 11: (I Cor11:23-31). Please examine yourself with these four questions. 1. Are you sorry for your sins? (I John 1:8) 2. Do you believe that Jesus is your Savior who forgives all your sins? (I Timothy 1:15) 3. Are you determined to live a holy life? (Ephesians 2:10) 4. Do you believe that Christ's Body and Blood are present in, with, and under the bread and wine in the Lord's Supper, thus you receive all four elements? (Matthew 26:26-28)

Baptism Celebration: Today we celebrate the baptism of Hayden Henry Noble, welcoming him into the family of God. Hayden's family invites all to join them in this celebration with a reception held in the school cafeteria immediately after today's worship service.

Voters Assembly: The members attending last Sunday's Voters Assembly approved a recommendation by the Church Council to hire a Coordinator of Church Operations to assist Pastor Mark in administrative tasks and supporting ministries. Reports that were distributed at the meeting are available in the tract rack.

Portals of Prayer a daily devotional booklet is now available in the narthex. This latest edition of Portals of Prayer contains devotions for October-December. Take extra booklets to share with others.

Launch Pad is a free play area for young children, infants-four years old, accompanied by an adult. Launch Pad is open on Tuesday and Friday mornings, 10-11:30, on days that school is in session. Come with your children or grandchildren and invite others. This is a good way to connect with families in our community.

Support Night To Shine: This coming February, Our Savior's will again host Night To Shine - a prom night for people with disabilities. You may volunteer to help with this event through our church website (*oslalbany.org*) under the "Join Us" tab. This week there are two opportunities to provide both financial and volunteer support for Night to Shine:

1) We are participating in Boscov's *Friends Helping Friends* Day by selling $5 shopping passes that give the purchaser a 25% discount on purchases made this coming Wednesday, October 21st at Boscov's. These shopping passes are available today in the breezeway. We will also have a table on the second floor (Men's section) at Boscov's this Wednesday, selling passes, 4-8 p.m. on that day.

2) The second fundraiser is a Spaghetti Dinner that will be held in our school cafeteria this coming Saturday, October 24, 4-6. Eat in or take out. Pay by donations in support of *Night To Shine*. RSVP to Nicole Carlson (admiralnicole@gmail.com) if you plan on coming. Volunteers are also needed to help prepare and serve the food. Contact Nicole if you can help. We are also holding a Bake Sale along with the Spaghetti Supper this Saturday. Sign up in the breezeway if you can bring baked goods and let Carol Roemke know if you are able to help with the sale of the baked goods this Saturday, 4-6.

Pastor Mark Chaffee's office hours are 9 a.m.-noon, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays. You may also reach him by cell phone: 518/763-1085 or email: mark.chaffee@oursaviors.com

PRAYER NEEDS
Healing: Barb Bruso, Toni Cramer, Fred Dignon, Kathy Hawley, Ned Johnson, Barbara MacGowan, Patty Marshall, Jennifer Noble, Jim Ryan, Eric Unright, Dave Wolcott, Tim Zuelsdorf
Homebound: Inge Glidden, Joan & Walter Weis
in **Assisted Living:** Marga Hildenbrandt, Helen Walck

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