

*Welcome, visitors! Welcome members and friends of St. Matthew Ev. Lutheran Church.  
Thank you for joining us in church and on our online service today.*

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*HOLY COMMUNION is celebrated in our service this morning. +Guests who are baptized Christians, who acknowledge and confess their sinfulness, who confess Jesus Christ as their Savior from sin, and who believe that He is really present in Holy Communion to bring us His forgiveness and life, are welcome to the Lord's Table.*

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**FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY**  
**HOLY COMMUNION SETTING 3** pg. 138

**February 9, 2025**

**Prelude** – “Let The Whole Creation Cry” – setting, Donald Busarow

**WELCOME**

(Please rise)

**GATHERING HYMN – ELW 876 LET THE WHOLE CREATION CRY**

**GREETING**

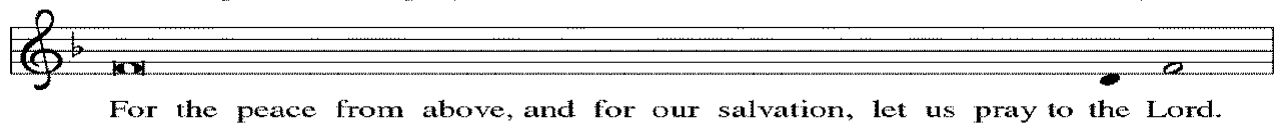
Pastor – The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Cong – And also with you.

**KYRIE** – pg. 138



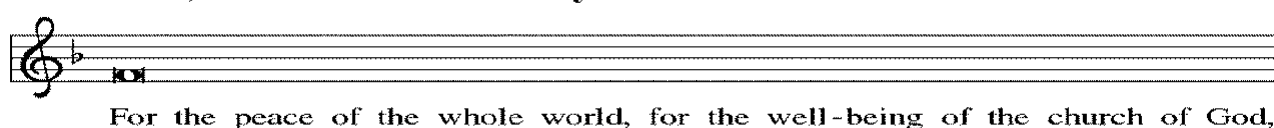
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.



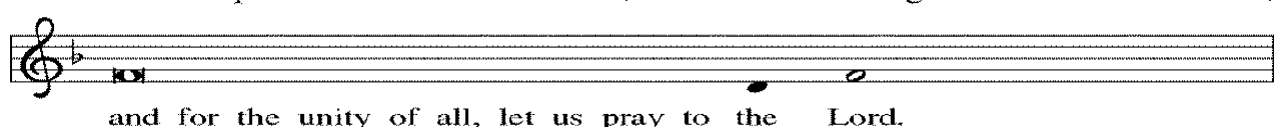
For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



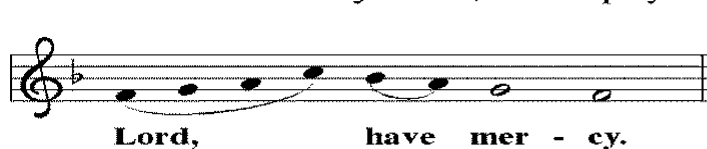
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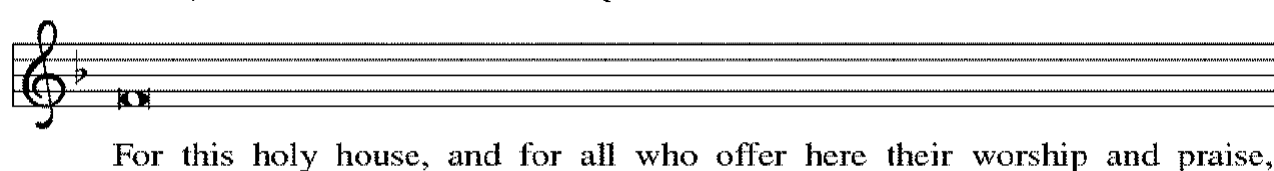
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,

let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. A - men.

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## HYMN OF PRAISE – pg. 139 “Glory to God.....”

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

All  
Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther,  
we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.

Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;  
you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.

For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,  
you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,  
in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

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## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Most holy God, the earth is filled with your glory, and before you angels and saints stand in awe. Enlarge our vision to see your power at work in the world, and by your grace make us heralds of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Cong – Amen.**

(Please be seated)

**FIRST READING: Isaiah 6:1-8 [9-13]**

**Alicia Driver, Worship Assistant**

*Through a vision in the temple, the eighth-century prophet Isaiah is called by God to announce judgment against Israel. Aware of his sinfulness and shortcomings, Isaiah is initially hesitant. But when God calls, Isaiah responds, "Here am I; send me!"*

<sup>1</sup>In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the LORD sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. <sup>2</sup>Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. <sup>3</sup>And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory." <sup>4</sup>The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. <sup>5</sup>And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!" <sup>6</sup>Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. <sup>7</sup>The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." <sup>8</sup>Then I heard the voice of the LORD saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!" [<sup>9</sup>And he said, "Go and say to this people: 'Keep listening, but do not comprehend; keep looking, but do not understand.' <sup>10</sup>Make the mind of this people dull, and stop their ears, and shut their eyes, so that they may not look with their eyes, and listen with their ears, and comprehend with their minds, and turn and be healed." <sup>11</sup>Then I said, "How long, O LORD?" And he said: "Until cities lie waste without inhabitant, and houses without people, and the land is utterly desolate; <sup>12</sup>until the LORD sends everyone far away, and vast is the emptiness in the midst of the land. <sup>13</sup>Even if a tenth part remain in it, it will be burned again, like a terebinth or an oak whose stump remains standing when it is felled." The holy seed is its stump.]

Leader – The Word of the Lord.

**Cong – Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM: Psalm 138**

*I will bow down toward your holy temple. (Ps. 138:2)*

(The Psalm will be read alternatively, beginning with Leader)

<sup>1</sup>I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with <sup>1</sup>my whole heart;  
before the gods I will <sup>1</sup>sing your praise.

<sup>2</sup>**I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your name,  
because of your steadfast <sup>1</sup>love and faithfulness;  
for you have glorified your name  
and your word a- <sup>1</sup>bove all things.**

<sup>3</sup>When I called, you <sup>1</sup>answered me;  
you increased my <sup>1</sup>strength within me.

<sup>4</sup>**All the rulers of the earth will praise <sup>1</sup>you, O LORD,  
when they have heard the words <sup>1</sup>of your mouth.**

<sup>5</sup>They will sing of the ways <sup>1</sup>of the LORD,  
that great is the glory <sup>1</sup>of the LORD.

<sup>6</sup>**The LORD is high, yet cares <sup>1</sup>for the lowly,  
perceiving the haughty <sup>1</sup>from afar.**

<sup>7</sup>Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you <sup>1</sup> keep me safe;  
you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies;  
your right <sup>1</sup> hand shall save me.

<sup>8</sup>**You will make good your pur- <sup>1</sup> pose for me;**  
**O LORD, your steadfast love endures forever;**  
**do not abandon the works <sup>1</sup> of your hands.**

**SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11**

**Alicia Driver, Worship Assistant**

*Paul delivers in a nutshell the story of the gospel that was given to him. In the lineage of the Christian faith, we have received the good news of God's love from generations of believers before us, and we continue to tell this story to the world.*

<sup>1</sup>Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, <sup>2</sup>through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain. <sup>3</sup>For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, <sup>4</sup>and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, <sup>5</sup>and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. <sup>6</sup>Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. <sup>7</sup>Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. <sup>8</sup>Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. <sup>9</sup>For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. <sup>10</sup>But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. <sup>11</sup>Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

Leader – The Word of the Lord.

**Cong – Thanks be to God.**

**(Please rise)**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION – CHOIR (BELLS - Sunday School)**

*Alleluia.* Jesus says, Follow me, and I will make you fish for people. *Alleluia.* (Matt. 4:19)

Pastor – The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 5<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**Cong – Glory to you, O Lord.**

**GOSPEL: Luke 5:1-11**

**Pastor Kelly Reagan**

*Jesus' teaching of God's word has begun to draw great crowds. For Simon, James, and John, Jesus' teaching inspires hospitality, then obedience, and then risk. After Jesus' creative power is revealed, fear and amazement leads these three fishermen to leave everything behind to become apostles.*

<sup>1</sup>Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, <sup>2</sup>he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. <sup>3</sup>He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. <sup>4</sup>When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch." <sup>5</sup>Simon answered, "Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets." <sup>6</sup>When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. <sup>7</sup>So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. <sup>8</sup>But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!" <sup>9</sup>For he and all who were with

him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; <sup>10</sup>and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people." <sup>11</sup>When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

Pastor – The Gospel of the Lord.  
Cong – Praise to you, O Christ.

(Please be seated)

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON – “From the Shore to the Deep: A Journey of Faith”

(Please rise)

## HYMN OF THE DAY – ELW 574 HERE I AM, LORD

### APOSTLES' CREED

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

Pastor – God of grace,  
Cong – hear our prayer.

We entrust our prayers to you, O God, in the sure and certain hope that your promise is revealed among the people.

Cong - Amen.

May the Peace of the Lord be with you always!

Cong – And also with you.

### PEACE

(Please be seated)

OFFERING – “The Sun Of God, Our Christ” – setting, Nancy Raabe

(Please rise)

OFFERTORY – (ELW 182) “Let the vineyards be fruitful...”

Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of  
bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be

fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u -  
 nite them with the prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your  
 pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

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## OFFERING PRAYER

God of grace, your love reaches to the heavens, and your abundance to the depths of the seas. Bless what we offer to your service: our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts. Let us overflow with gratitude and generosity, now and always.

**Cong – Amen.**

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

### Preface Dialogue

The Lord be with you. And al - so 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 you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. By the leading of a star he was shown forth to all nations; in the waters of the Jordan you proclaimed him your beloved Son, and in the miracle of water turned to wine he revealed your glory. 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

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.

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### **PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING III (ELW pg. 110)**

Holy One, the beginning and the end, the giver of life: Blessed are you for the birth of creation. Blessed are you in the darkness and in the light. Blessed are you for your promise to your people. Blessed are you in the prophets' hopes and dreams. Blessed are you for Mary's openness to your will. Blessed are you for your Son Jesus, the Word made flesh. 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. Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Cong – Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

With this bread and cup we remember your Word dwelling among us, full of grace and truth. We remember our new birth in his death and resurrection. We look with hope for his coming.

**Cong – Come, Lord Jesus.**

Holy God, we long for your Spirit. Come among us. Bless this meal. May your Word take flesh in us. Awaken your people. Fill us with your light. Bring the gift of peace on earth.

**Cong – Come, Holy Spirit.**

All praise and glory are yours, Holy One of Israel, Word of God incarnate, Power of the Most High, one God, now and forever.

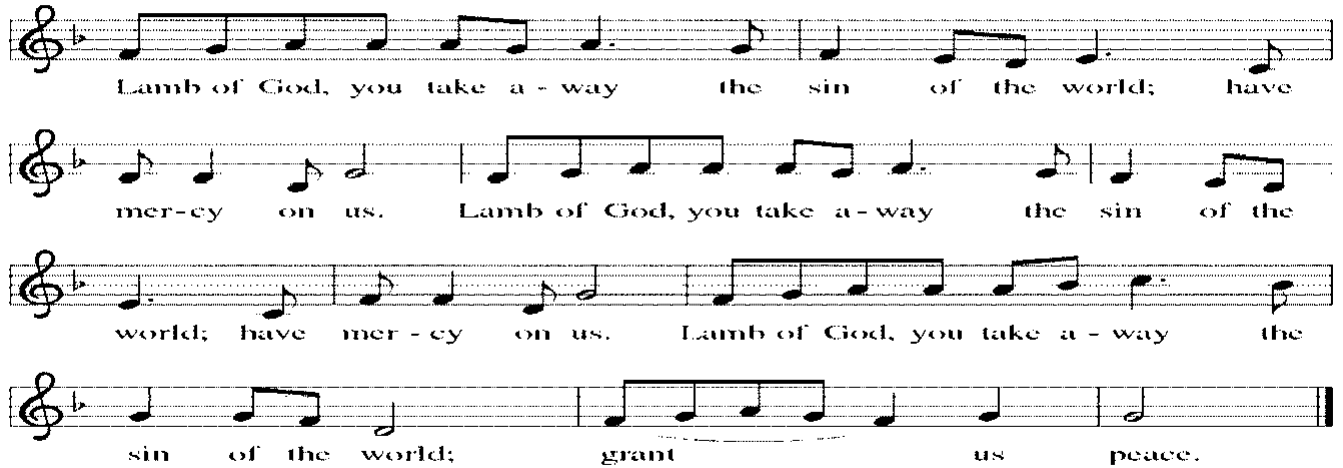
**Cong – Amen.**

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

**(Please be seated)**

## Lamb of God



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.

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## COMMUNION HYMN – ELW 491 COME, LET US EAT

(Please rise)

## POST-COMMUNION HYMN – (ELW 204) “Thankful hearts...”



Thank-ful hearts and voic - es raise; tell ev-'ry-one what God has done.  
Let all who seek the Lord re - joice 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.

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## POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Nourishing God, at this table you have refreshed us with holy gifts of food and drink. Strengthen us for service, and send us out to embody your good news of liberation and healing for the sake of the world.

In the name of Christ we pray,

**Cong– Amen.**



**BLESSING**

The Spirit of the triune God + bless you with joy, anoint you with compassion, and send you in love.  
Cong – Amen.

**SENDING HYMN – ELW 413 HOLY, HOLY, HOLY, LORD GOD ALMIGHTY!**

(Please be seated)

Postlude – “Let The Whole Creation Cry” – setting, B. Wayne Bisbee

Pastor - Go in peace. Live in hope.

**Cong - Thanks be to God.**

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**MEASURE OF LOVE – February 2, 2025**

Attendance – 55

Total Deposit - \$1955.66

<b>SCHEDULE OF EVENTS</b>	<b>February 9, 2025</b>
<p><b><u>SUNDAY</u></b> Choir – 9:00 a.m. Holy Communion Setting 3 – 9:30 a.m. Adult Bible Class – 11:00 a.m. Sunday School – 11:00 a.m. Confirmation Class – 11:00 a.m. Choir – after Sunday School</p> <p><b><u>MONDAY</u></b></p> <p><b><u>TUESDAY</u></b> Yarn Matters – 6:00 p.m.</p> <p><b><u>WEDNESDAY</u></b> Bible Study Coffee – 10:00 a.m.</p>	<p><b><u>THURSDAY</u></b> Al-Anon – 10:30 a.m.</p> <p><b><u>FRIDAY</u></b> AA – 8:00 p.m.</p> <p><b><u>SATURDAY</u></b></p> <p><b><u>SUNDAY – February 16, 2025</u></b> Choir – 9:00 a.m. Holy Communion Setting 3 – 9:30 a.m. Adult Bible Class – 11:00 a.m. Sunday School – 11:00 a.m. Confirmation Class – 11:00 a.m. Handbells – after Sunday School</p>

**2024 FINANCIAL OFFERING STATEMENTS**

The financial offering statements for 2024 are available in the Narthex. Any questions, see Al Lutz.

**ETERNAL LIGHT CHART**

The Eternal Light Chart for 2025 is up in the Educational Wing. It is for anyone to sign up for a week in the year to honor loved ones for a special occasion or to sign up in memory of loved ones. For more information, see Lauri Lutz.

# Let the Whole Creation Cry

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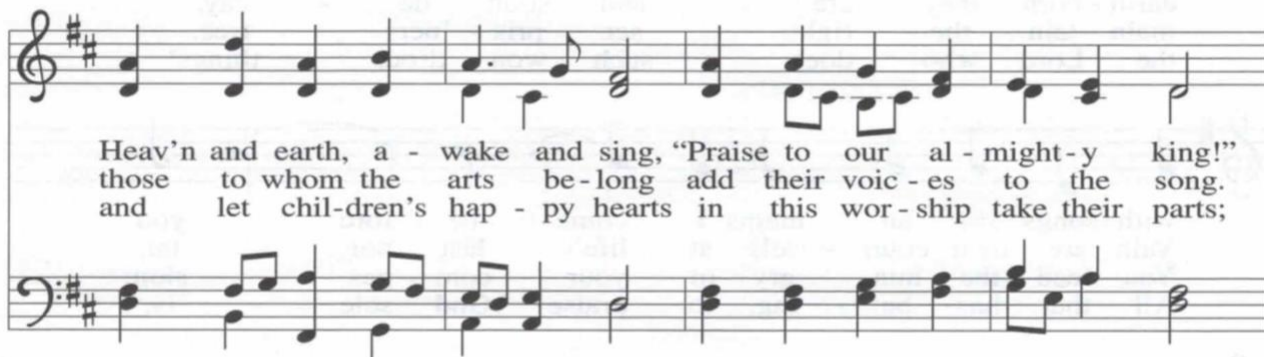
The first system of music consists of a treble staff and a bass staff. The treble staff contains a melody of quarter and eighth notes, while the bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and moving lines.

1 Let the whole cre - a - tion cry, "Glo - ry to the Lord on high!"  
2 Ser - vants striv - ing for the Lord, proph - ets burn - ing with the word,  
3 Men and wom - en, young and old, raise the an - them loud and bold,



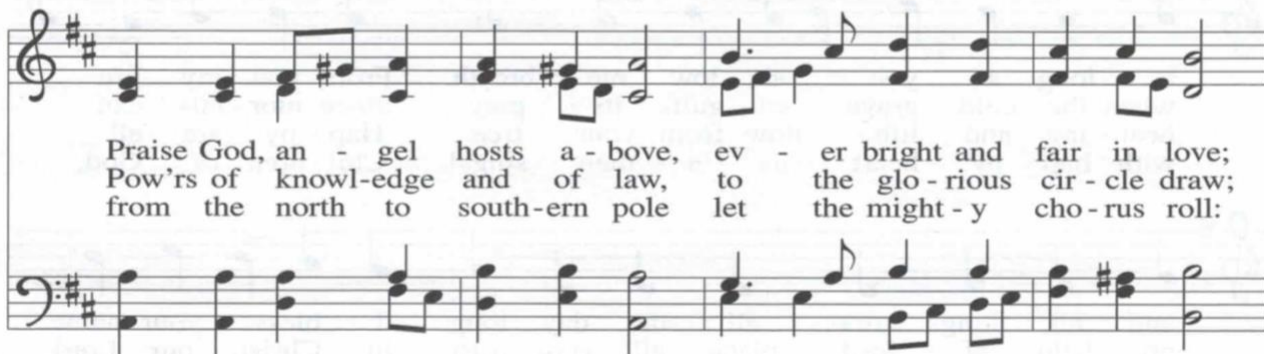
The second system of music continues the melody and accompaniment from the first system.

Heav'n and earth, a - wake and sing, "Praise to our al - might - y king!"  
those to whom the arts be - long add their voic - es to the song.  
and let chil - dren's hap - py hearts in this wor - ship take their parts;



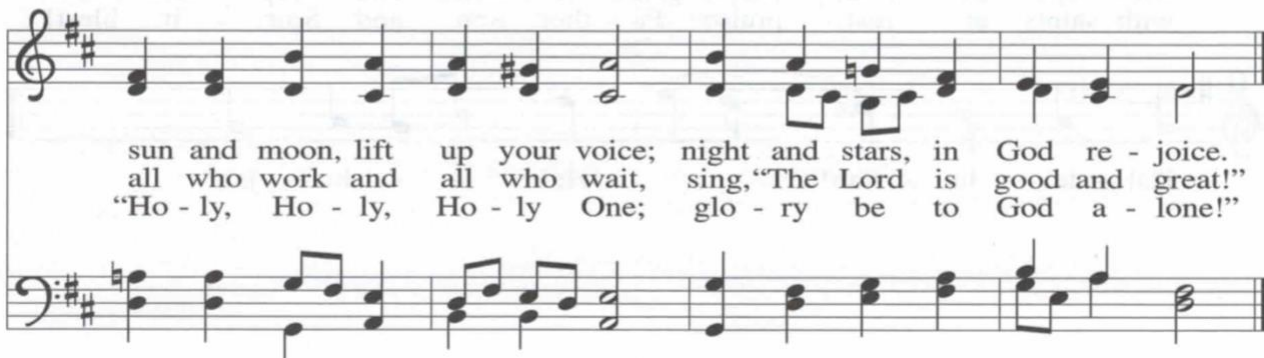
The third system of music continues the melody and accompaniment.

Praise God, an - gel hosts a - bove, ev - er bright and fair in love;  
Pow'rs of knowl - edge and of law, to the glo - rious cir - cle draw;  
from the north to south - ern pole let the might - y cho - rus roll:



The fourth system of music continues the melody and accompaniment.

sun and moon, lift up your voice; night and stars, in God re - joice.  
all who work and all who wait, sing, "The Lord is good and great!"  
"Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly One; glo - ry be to God a - lone!"



The fifth system of music concludes the piece with a final cadence in both staves.

Text: Stopford A. Brooke, 1832–1916, alt.

Music: Jakob Hintze, 1622–1702; arr. Johann Sebastian Bach, 1685–1750, adapt.

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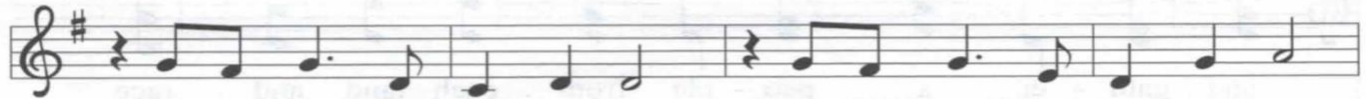
# Here I Am, Lord



1 "I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my peo - ple cry.  
2 "I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my peo - ple's pain.  
3 "I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.



All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.  
I have wept for love of them. They turn a - way.  
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.



I, who made the stars of night, I will make their dark-ness bright.  
I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love a - lone.  
Fin-est bread I will pro-vide till their hearts be sat - is - fied.



Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?"  
I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?"  
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?"

*Refrain*



Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you



call-ing in the night. I will go, Lord, if you



lead me. I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.

Leader or All



- 1 Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread,  
 2 Come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured,  
 3 In Je - sus' pres - ence now we meet and rest,  
 4 Rise, then, to spread a - broad God's might - y word,

All



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Leader or All



Our Lord's bod - y let us take to - geth - er,  
 Je - sus' blood poured let us drink to - geth - er,  
 In the pres - ence of our Lord we gath - er,  
 Je - sus ris - en will bring in the king - dom,

All



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Text: Billema Kwillia, b. 1925, sts. 1-3; Gilbert E. Doan Jr., b. 1930, st. 4, alt.;  
 tr. Margaret D. Miller, b. 1927, sts. 1-3, alt.

Music: Billema Kwillia, adapt.

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## Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!

1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God Al - might - y!  
 2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee,  
 3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide thee,  
 4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!

Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee.  
 cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;  
 though the eye of sin - ful - ness thy glo - ry may not see,  
 All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!  
 cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,  
 on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee,  
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!

God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!  
 which wert and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.  
 per - fect in pow'r, in love and pu - ri - ty.  
 God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!