

Seventh Sunday of Easter



May 17, 2026

***The Lihu'e Evangelical Lutheran Church
of Hawai'i***

*Ka Hale Pule 'O Na Lahui Apau . . .
Church Of All Peoples . . .*

*. . . Hele Pu Makou me Iesu Kristo
. . . Walking Together With Christ*

Those Serving Us Today

Rev. David Hendrickson, Pastor
Rhonda Pabo, Organist Tony Kment, Technology
Jan Rentz, Greeter ~ Mele Schweitzer, Lector
Sarah L. Hailey Iha, Ushers
Kiera Johnson-Zielazinski, Acolyte Keisha Medeiros, Crucifer

Altar Flowers

If you would like to honor your family or friends on their birthday or anniversary and to the glory of God with altar flowers for Sunday morning services. Please see the Flower Chart at the back entrance of Church to sign up.

Aloha Hour

Aloha Hour is being hosted by *Lihue Lutheran*. Please join us in the fellowship hall after worship for refreshments & fellowship. If you would like to host an Aloha Hour the sign up calendar is posted at the front entrance of church

Weekly Event

- ◇ Mobile Munchies—Every Thursday morning in the fellowship hall @ 7:30am
 - ◇ CENTERING PRAYER in the SANCTUARY, SATURDAY 8:30-9:30 AM
Everyone welcome, short intro will be provided. A 20 minute contemplative prayer period followed by Lectio Divina (a contemplative reading and listening and reflecting period) [Liedeke, lbulderart@gmail.com](mailto:lbulderart@gmail.com) or 808-652-8234
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Worship Theme for Today

In these days between Ascension and Pentecost, we gather with the disciples in the upper room, waiting for the Spirit to transform the church around the world. In today's gospel Jesus prays for his followers and for their mission in his name. Amid religious, social, and economic divisions, we seek the unity that Jesus had with his Father. Made one in baptism, we go forth to live our faith in the world, eager for the unity that God intends for the whole human family.

Lihue Lutheran Spotlight

Hau'oli Lā Hānau to Peggy Hood (05.18); Bri Paxton (05.23); Chuck Dixon (05.23);
Hau'oli Lā Ho'omana'o to Tom & Barbara Holwegner (05.18);
Clyde & Kathy Miller (05.19); Tony & Carole Kment (05.20)

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Welcome to Our Guests

It is always a joy to share our faith and worship with people visiting from around the world. Please know your presence and participation in our service is most appreciated. At Lihue Lutheran we celebrate Holy Communion at every service. You are certainly welcome in joining us as our Lord comes to us in this holy meal.

Prayer Concerns

Please remember these people in your prayers during the week: Tom Christy, Jonathan Ota; Kecia Darrow (Lolli Hagen's daughter); Mike Kato, Michael Ovalles, Lauretta Geren, Isaac Silva Baker, Larry Arndt, ,Vanessa Fujiyama, Liedeke Bulder, Joyce Obenauer, Leslie Davies Gibb, Bertram Almeida, Kathy Rosare, Kai Wayne Parraga, Kristin & Kayla Tomas Deyro, Vickie Oana, Ernest Koerte, Donna Childers, Mary Speegle, John & Lowe Danner, Lisa & Rodd Sunada, Wendy & John Dobbs, Regina & Ryan Jimenez, James F., Karen Kirchner, John Thiele, Gregory Honnold, Jr.; The Family of Karen Olson, Sindy Dayment (Dawn & Bernard Connors daughter's sister-in-law), Italee Rodriguez (Penny Parraga's Grand daughter), Susan Pittman, Wendy Smith (Liedeke's daughter-in-law), Ray O'Flaherty, Sharon & Berndt Kammer (Karen Kinoshita's cousin), Dave Hamry, Ken Garrett, Beverly Robertson (Shannon Lorenzo's Mother), Kurt Medeiros, Bob & Joann Clash, Sally Rasay, Stan Weeks, David Gragg, Joe Morgan, Zosimo and Virginia Austria, Karen Kinoshita, Rick Rentz, Norman Dibble, Kazue Zaima, John Mattek, Robert Giraldo II (Bobby Giraldo's son), Lolli Hagen, Abraham Torres, Sr., Kristy Kahananui, Uncle Joe, Mallory Rodriguez, Peter Alisna, Tirzah Pope, Pastor Matthew Weber, Stephen Shioi, Peggy Hood, Jason Shimono, Richard Rasay, Nancy Nelson (formerly Mandell), Karen Pavao, Edward Rasay, Marcos Larson (Liedeke's son), Penny Parraga, Yvonne Shinseki, Al Dressler (Larry's Father), Mercy Ballesteros, Anna Marie & Phil Croghan, Sheila Belarmino, Ray Roderick, Sayla Hachey, Julie Sweeny, The Church Council, and leaders in the ELCA. If you have additional prayer requests, please let the church office know. *"Ask it in my name . . ."* Mahalo for your love.

Remembering Our Military

As we gather for worship, please remember those serving us in the military, and the families of our Hawai'i National Guard. These names have been given by loved ones and family members: Navy – TJ Javinar, Kristian Matsumoto, Kiana Alisna, Coast Guard - Brian Rodriguez, Ke'ale Renta, Army - Jason Lumacad, Brandon Perkinson, Drew Cox, Tony Garton, Air Force - Kasey Kajiwara, Steven Javinar, National Guard - Benji MacKenzie, Eddie Resinto, Fred Casticimo, Philip Kamakea, Anthony Y. Torres, Master Sgt. If you know of someone you would like added to our prayer list, please advise the church office.

*Gathering Hymn

Some glad morning when this life is over, I'll fly away.
To a home on God's celestial shore, I'll fly away.

**I'll fly away oh glory
I'll fly away (in the morning)
When I die hallelujah by and by
I'll fly away**

When the shadows of this life have gone, I'll fly away
Like a bird from these prison walls I'll fly, I'll fly away

Oh how glad and happy when we meet, I'll fly away
No more cold iron shackles on my feet, I'll fly away

Just a few more weary days and then, I'll fly away

I'll Fly Away

*Apostolic Greeting

C Sing praises to God's name, for it is lovely!

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

C And also with you.

*Kyrie

P In peace, let us pray to the Lord:

C

Ky-ri-e e - le-i-son. Chri-ste e - le-i-son. Ky-ri-e e - le-i-son, e - le-i-son, e - le-i-son.



- P For peace between nations, compassion among peoples, and harmony in the Church, let us pray. **(Refrain)**
- P For the hungry to be filled, the lowly lifted up, and the captives to be freed, let us pray. **(Refrain)**
- P For patience in our suffering, hope in our waiting, and all joy in believing, let us pray. **(Refrain)**
- P Help, save, comfort and defend us, O God.



A - men.

**Prayer of the Day*

- P The Lord be with you.
C And also with you.
- P Let us pray.
C O God of glory, your Son Jesus Christ suffered for us and ascended to your right hand. Unite us with Christ and each other in suffering and in joy, that all the world may be drawn into your bountiful presence, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

First Reading

Acts 1:6-14

Today's reading is part of the introduction to the narrative of the outpouring of the Spirit on Pentecost. These verses tell of the risen Lord's conversation with his disciples on the eve of his ascension.

So when [the apostles] had come together, they asked him, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was

going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying,

Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of

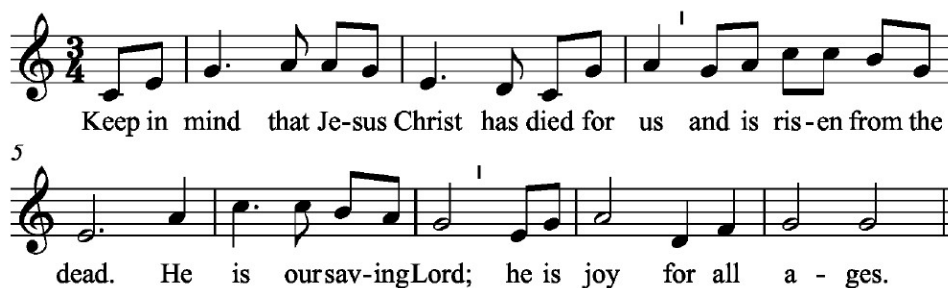
James. All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

A The Word of the Lord

C Thanks be to God.

Psalmody

Canticle 13



Keep in mind that Je-sus Christ has died for us and is ris-en from the
5 dead. He is oursav-ingLord; he is joy for all a - ges.

Solo

If we die with the Lord, we shall live with the Lord.
If we endure with the Lord, we shall live with the Lord.

Solo

In him all our sorrow, in him all our joy.
In him hope of glory, in him all our love.

Solo

In him our redemption, in him all our grace.
In him our salvation, in him all our peace.

Second Reading

1 Peter 4:12-14, 5:6-11

Our faith in Christ does not make us immune from the scorn of others. Nevertheless, we are to resist the designs of evil when we experience disparagement from others, because we trust God's grace will strengthen and guide us.

¹² Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that is taking place among you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. ¹³ But rejoice insofar as you are sharing Christ's sufferings, so that you may also

be glad and shout for joy when his glory is revealed. ¹⁴ If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the spirit of glory, which is the Spirit of God, is resting on you.

^{5,6} Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. ⁷ Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. ⁸ Discipline yourselves; keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. ⁹ Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and

sisters in all the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. ¹⁰ And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. ¹¹ To him be the power forever and ever. Amen.

A The Word of the Lord

C Thanks be to God.

**Gospel Acclamation Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil*

Lord, let my heart be good soil, o-pen to the seed of your word.

Lord, let my heart be good soil, where love can grow and peace is un-der-stood.

When my heart is hard, break the stone a - way. When my heart is cold, warm it with the day. When my heart is lost, lead me on your way.

Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart be good soil.

*Holy Gospel

John 17:1-11

On the night before his crucifixion, Jesus prays to his heavenly Father, asking that those who continue his work in this world will live in unity.

P The Holy Gospel according to Saint John, the seventeenth chapter.



¹ After Jesus had spoken these words [to his disciples,] he looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, ² since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. ³ And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent. ⁴ I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. ⁵ So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

⁶ "I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to

me, and they have kept your word. ⁷ Now they know that everything you have given me is from you, ⁸ for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you, and they have believed that you sent me. ⁹ I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. ¹⁰ All mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I have been glorified in them. ¹¹ And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one."

P The Gospel of the Lord.



Keiki's Sermon

Sermon

**Hymn of the Day*

We Are One in the Spirit

*Pastor to play Guitar * Please see insert*

**Apostles' Creed*

P God has made us God's people through our baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith:

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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 the Church*

P With shouts of Alleluia at Christ's victory over death, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

A For the whole church and its leaders, that it may constantly pray for the needs of the world and devote itself to the care of your glorious creation, God of life,

C hear our prayer

A For lands and nations burdened by debt, violence, and natural disasters, that by your Spirit neighbors would come to their aid, bringing wholeness to broken lives. God of life,

C hear our prayer.

A For the sick, the imprisoned, those trapped by addictions, and all who care for them: May we put our trust in Jesus, who shares human pain and sorrow. Listen to the names we hold before you. . . God of life,

C hear our prayer.

- A For the homeless and those whose homes are unsafe or undesirable: Give us strength to work for the well-being of your children, that they may be sheltered by your mighty hand. God of life,
C hear our prayer.
- A Be with those who are guests of our Island. May their stays be restful and renewing, their travels safe, and their homecomings joyous. God of life,
C hear our prayer
- P Receive our prayers, merciful God, and dwell in us richly, through Jesus Christ, our life and our redeemer.
C Amen.

**The Queen's Prayer*

The musical score is written for piano (Piano/Pno) in 4/4 time. It consists of two systems of music. The first system contains five measures of music with the following lyrics: O kou a-lo-ha no A i-a i ka La-ni, A No-lai-la e ka-Haku Ma-la-lo kou e-he-u, Ko. The second system contains five measures of music with the following lyrics: o kou oi-a i-o, He he-mo-le-le hoi ma-kou ma-lu hi-a, A mau loa a-ku no. A-me-ne. The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line and chords in the right hand.

English Translation

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| <p>1. O Lord thy Loving Mercy, Is high as the Heavens. It tells us of thy truth. And 'tis filled with holiness</p> | <p>3. For thy grace I beseech thee. Bring us 'neath thy protection. And peace will be thy portion Now and forever more. Amen</p> |
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Sharing of the Peace

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

P Let us share the peace of the Lord.

Offering



In response to the many requests we've had, we now have a contactless option for both members and visitors to share their offerings. It is still done over our Vanco church giving platform so it can connect to your stewardship account for record keeping. Mahalo!

Offertory Response

Lord of Aloha

God of the is - lands, Lord of the seas, Ma - ker of beau - ty and source of the breeze,
5 King of Cre - a - tion, an - cient and new, Lord of A - lo - ha we wor - ship you.
9 Auth - or of mer - cy, Giv - er of grace, Bles - sed Re - deem - er who died in our place, Fath - er of one O
14 ha - na are you, Lift - ing our voic - es we sing "Al - le - lu" Lord of A - lo - ha we wor - ship you.
19 God of the is - lands, Lord of the seas, Ma - ker of beau - ty and source of the breeze,
23 King of Cre - a - tion, an - cient and new, Lord of A - lo - ha we wor - ship you.

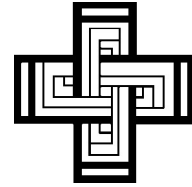
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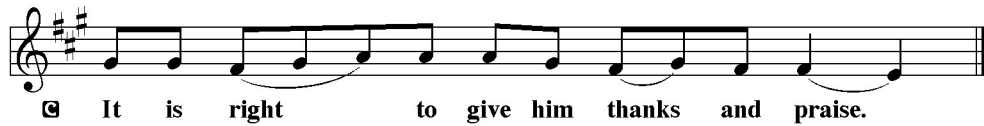
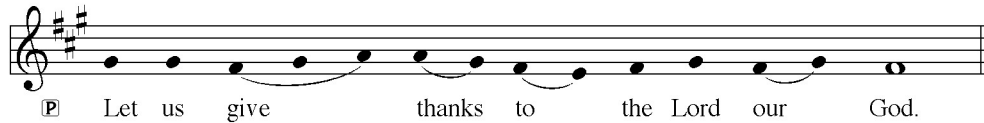
**Offertory Prayer*

P Let us pray. Merciful God,

C **accept the fruits of our labor, gathered to give you glory. You have set a table before us, a glimpse of that great day when we will hunger and thirst no more. Nourish us with the body and blood of Jesus, that goodness and mercy may follow us and bless the world you love. In the name of Jesus, Amen.**



**The Great Thanksgiving*



P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy . . . And join their unending hymn.



6

full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na in___ the high - est. Bless-ed is he who comes___ in the

11

name_ of the Lord._ Ho - san - na in___ the high - est, ho - san - na in___ the high - est.

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**Words of Institution*

**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.

Invitation to Communion

Come to the table of new life. Receive the risen Lord.

Distribution

All are welcome to share in this meal with us. The wine will be distributed from a chalice with a pouring lip. After receiving the bread, the assistant will present the tray with empty glasses. Please pick up a glass and wait for the Pastor to fill it with wine from the Common Cup. The center circle of cups is pre-filled with grape juice for those who would rather not receive wine.

Communion Hymns

All Are Welcome

Cong. Refrain



All are___ wel - come_ friend and stran - ger at the___ ban - quet___
4
of the Sav - ior All are___ wel - come_ All are wel - come here.

Vs1 From the woman who comes crying
Leaving tears at Jesus' feet.
To the man who knows the right way
But cannot see. (*refrain*)

Vs2 From the ones who feel forgotten
Those who sense their place is gone
To the ones who live in hunger
Here you belong. (*refrain*)

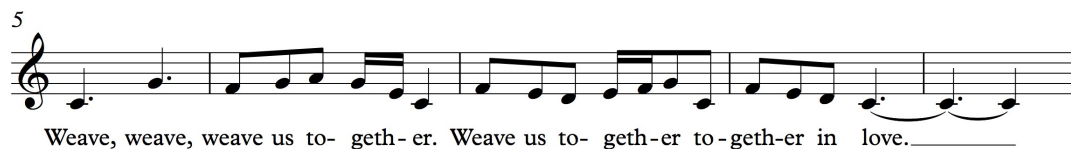
Vs3 Go into the streets and cities
To the farms and families
Tell about the splendid table
God's mercy. (*refrain*)

Weave



Weave, weave, weave us to- geth - er. Weave us to- geth - er in u - ni - ty and love. ___

5



Weave, weave, weave us to- geth - er. Weave us to- geth - er to - geth - er in love. _____



1. We are man - y tex - tures, we are man - y col - ors,
2. We are dif - ferent in - stru - ments play - ing our own mel - o - dies,
3. A mo - ment a - go, ___ still we did not ___ know ___ our

12

each _____ one dif-ferent from the oth - er. _____ But
 each _____ one tun - ing to a dif-ferent key. _____ But
 u - ni - ty, _____ on - ly di - ver - si - ty. _____ Now the

14

we are en-twined with one an - oth - er in one great tap - es - try.

Gather Us In

1 Here in this place the new light is stream-ing, now is the dark - ness
 2 We are the young, our lives are a mys - t'ry, we are the old who
 3 Here we will take the wine and the wa - ter, here we will take the
 4 Not in the dark of build-ings con - fin - ing, not in some heav - en,

van - ished a - way; see in this space our fears and our dream-ings
 yearn for your face; we have been sung through - out all of his - t'ry,
 bread of new birth, here you shall call your sons and your daugh-ters,
 light years a - way— here in this place the new light is shin - ing,

brought here to you in the light of this day.
 called to be light to the whole hu - man race.
 call us a - new to be salt for the earth.
 now is the king - dom, and now is the day.

Gath-er us in, the lost and for - sak - en, gath-er us in, the
 Gath-er us in, the rich and the haugh-ty, gath-er us in, the
 Give us to drink the wine of com-pas - sion, give us to eat the
 Gath-er us in and hold us for - ev - er, gath-er us in and



blind and the lame; call to us now, and we shall a - wak - en,
proud and the strong; give us a heart, so meek and so low - ly,
bread that is you; nour-ish us well, and teach us to fash - ion
make us your own; gath - er us in, all peo - ples to - geth - er,

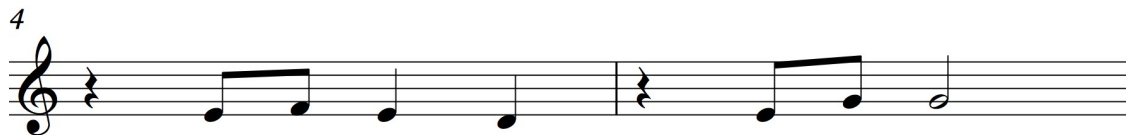


we shall a - rise at the sound of our name.
give us the cour - age to en - ter the song.
lives that are ho - ly and hearts that are true.
fire . . . of love in our flesh and our bone.

Here Is Bread



1. Here is bread, here is wine, Christ is with us,
2. Here is grace, here is peace, Christ is with us,
3. Here we are, joined in one, Christ is with us,



4
he is with us. Break the bread,
he is with us. Know his grace,
he is with us. We'll pro - claim



6
taste the wine, Christ is with us here.
find his peace, feast on Je - sus here.
till he comes Je - sus cru - ci - fied.

9 *Refrain*

In this bread there is heal-ing, in this cup is life for -ev - er.

13

In this mo-ment, by the Spir-it, Christ is with us here

Distribution from the Pew

We invite you to join us in receiving a socially-distanced communion from your pews. The sacraments have been prepared and are ready to be received! Come! Eat and drink!

**Blessing*

P God Almighty, who is the beginning and the end, Jesus Christ, the firstborn of the dead, and the Spirit, our advocate and peace, ✝ bless you now and forever

C **Amen.**

**Post Communion Prayer*

P Let us pray, Holy One,

C **through this meal you have made your home among us and are making all things new. Send us now to speak peace to anxious hearts, to love our enemies, and to bring your healing to the nations. In the name of Jesus, Amen.**

**Benediction*

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace in the name of Ma-kua, ✝ Keiki Kane, and Uhane Hemolele.

C **Amene.**

**Sending Hymn*

Sent Forth by God's Blessing



1 Sent forth by God's bless - ing, our true faith con - fess - ing,
2 With praise and thanks - giv - ing to God ev - er - liv - ing,



the peo - ple of God from this dwell - ing take leave.
the tasks of our ev - 'ry - day life we will face—



The sup - per is end - ed. Oh, now be ex - tend - ed
our faith ev - er shar - ing, in love ev - er car - ing,



the fruits of this ser - vice in all who be - lieve.
em - brac - ing God's chil - dren, the whole hu - man race.



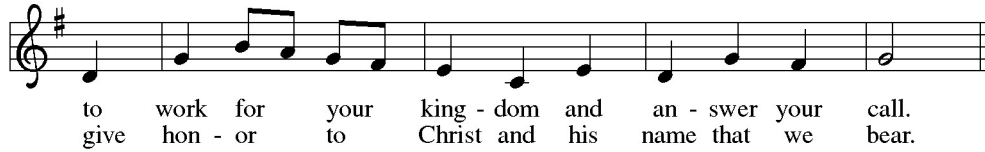
The seed of Christ's teach - ing, re - cep - tive souls
With your feast you feed us, with your light now



reach - ing, shall blos - som in ac - tion for God and for all.
lead us; u - nite us as one in this life that we share.



Your grace shall in - cite us, your love shall u - nite us
Then may all the liv - ing with praise and thanks - giv - ing



to work for your king - dom and an - swer your call.
give hon - or to Christ and his name that we bear.

P Go in peace. Praise the Lord. Alleluia!

C Thanks be to God. Alleluia!



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