

Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost Holy Communion at Resurrection Lutheran Church October 17, 2021

The assembly gathers in seating in the nave, maintaining appropriate physical distance and wearing face masks.

OPENING VOLUNTARY “Come Unto Jesus,” James L. Rasmussen

Confession and Forgiveness

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God,
whose teaching is life,
whose presence is sure,
and whose love is endless.
Amen.

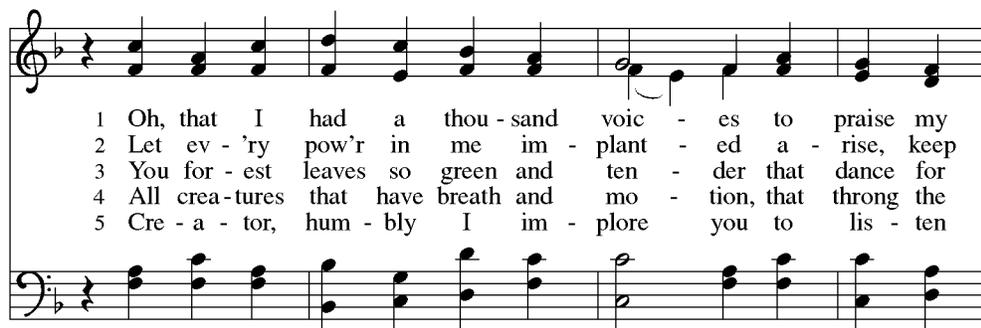
Let us confess our sins to the one who welcomes us with an open heart.
Silence is kept for reflection.

God our comforter:
like lost sheep, we have gone astray.
We gaze upon abundance and see scarcity.
We turn our faces away from injustice and oppression.
We exploit the earth with our apathy and greed.
Free us from our sin, gracious God.
Listen when we call out to you for help.
Lead us by your love to love our neighbors as ourselves. Amen.

All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.
By the gift of grace in ✝ Christ Jesus, God makes you righteous.
Receive with glad hearts the forgiveness of all your sins. Amen.

GATHERING HYMN “Oh that I had a Thousand Voices” ELW 833

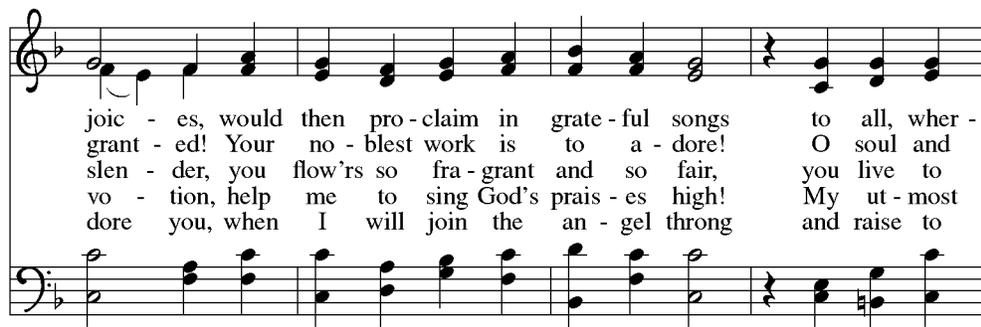
Oh, That I Had a Thousand Voices



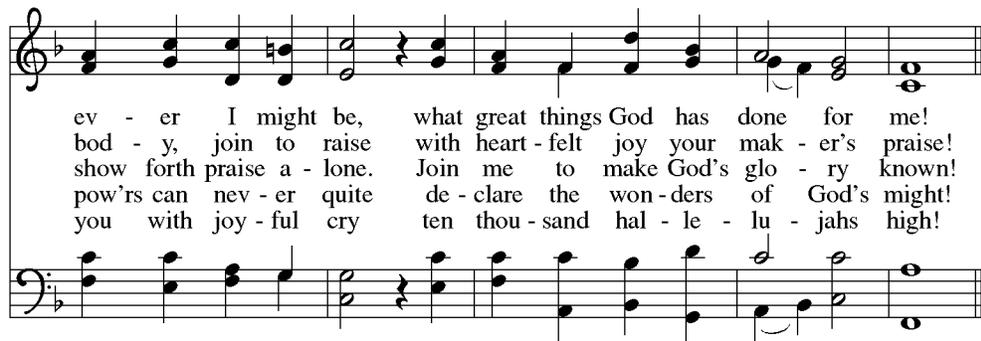
1 Oh, that I had a thou - sand voic - es to praise my
 2 Let ev - 'ry pow'r in me im - plant - ed a - rise, keep
 3 You for - est leaves so green and ten - der that dance for
 4 All crea - tures that have breath and mo - tion, that throng the
 5 Cre - a - tor, hum - bly I im - plore you to lis - ten



God with thou - sand tongues! My heart, which in the Lord re -
 si - lence now no more; put forth the strength that God has
 joy in sum - mer air, you mead - ow grass - es, bright and
 earth, the sea, the sky, come, share with me my heart's de -
 to my earth - ly song un - til that day when I a -



joic - es, would then pro - claim in grate - ful songs to all, wher -
 grant - ed! Your no - blest work is to a - dore! O soul and
 slen - der, you flow'rs so fra - grant and so fair, you live to
 vo - tion, help me to sing God's prais - es high! My ut - most
 dore you, when I will join the an - gel throng and raise to



ev - er I might be, what great things God has done for me!
 bod - y, join to raise with heart - felt joy your mak - er's praise!
 show forth praise a - lone. Join me to make God's glo - ry known!
 pow'rs can nev - er quite de - clare the won - ders of God's might!
 you with joy - ful cry ten thou - sand hal - le - lu - jahs high!

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Greeting and Prayer of the Day

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

Let us pray.

A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

Sovereign God, you turn your greatness into goodness for all the peoples on earth.
Shape us into willing servants of your kingdom, and make us desire always and
only your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

First Reading: Isaiah 53:4-12

A reading from Isaiah.

⁴Surely he has borne our infirmities
and carried our diseases;

yet we accounted him stricken,
struck down by God, and afflicted.

⁵But he was wounded for our transgressions,
crushed for our iniquities;
upon him was the punishment that made us whole,
and by his bruises we are healed.

⁶All we like sheep have gone astray;
we have all turned to our own way,
and the Lord has laid on him
the iniquity of us all.

⁷He was oppressed, and was afflicted,
yet did not open his mouth;
like a lamb that is led to the slaughter,
and like a ewe that is silent before the shearers,
so he did not open his mouth.

⁸By a perversion of justice he was taken away.
Who could have imagined his future?
For he was cut off from the land of the living,

stricken for the transgression of my people.

⁹They made his grave with the wicked
and his tomb with the rich,
although he had done no violence,
and there was no deceit in his mouth.

¹⁰Yet it was the will of the Lord to crush him with pain.
When you make his life an offering for sin,
he shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days;
through him the will of the Lord shall prosper.

¹¹Out of his anguish he shall see light;
he shall find satisfaction through his knowledge.
The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous,
and shall bear their iniquities.

¹²Therefore I will allot him a portion with the great,
and he shall divide the spoil with the strong;
because he poured out himself to death,
and was numbered with the transgressors;
yet he bore the sin of many,
and made intercession for the transgressors.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: 91:9-16 (ELW Tone 1)

You have made the LORD your refuge, and the
Most High your habitation.

Psalm 91:9

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- ⁹Because you have made the [|] LORD your refuge,
and the Most High your [|] habitation,
¹⁰**no evil [|] will befall you,**
nor shall affliction come [|] near your dwelling.
¹¹For God will give the angels charge [|] over you,
to guard you in [|] all your ways.
¹²**Upon their hands they will [|] bear you up,**
lest you strike your foot a- [|] gainst a stone. R
¹³You will tread upon the lion [|] cub and viper;
you will trample down the lion [|] and the serpent.
¹⁴**I will deliver those who [|] cling to me;**
I will uphold them, because they [|] know my name.
¹⁵They will call me, and I will [|] answer them;
I will be with them in trouble; I will rescue and [|] honor them.
¹⁶**With long life will I [|] satisfy them,**
and show them [|] my salvation. R

Second Reading: Hebrews 5:1-10

A reading from Hebrews.

¹Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. ²The high priest is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject to weakness; ³and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. ⁴And one does not presume to take this honor, but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was.

⁵So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him,

“You are my Son,
today I have begotten you”;

⁶as God says also in another place,

“You are a priest forever,
according to the order of Melchizedek.”

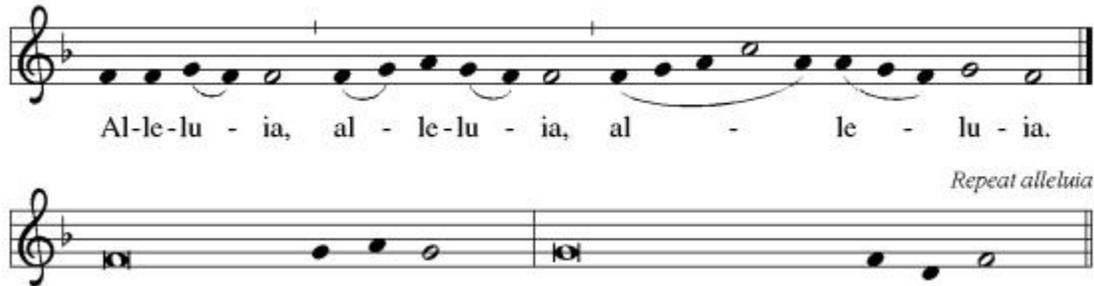
⁷In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. ⁸Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; ⁹and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, ¹⁰having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia sung by the assembly. Verse sung by the cantor.



The Son of Man came not to be served¹ but to serve,* and to give his life as a ran-¹som for many.

Gospel: Mark 10:35-45

The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the tenth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

³⁵James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to Jesus and said to him, “Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.” ³⁶And Jesus said to them, “What is it you want me to do for you?” ³⁷And they said to him, “Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.” ³⁸But Jesus said to them, “You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?” ³⁹They replied, “We are able.” Then Jesus said to them, “The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; ⁴⁰but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.” ⁴¹When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. ⁴²So Jesus called them and said to them, “You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers are domineering, and their great ones are tyrants over them. ⁴³But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, ⁴⁴and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. ⁴⁵For the Son-of-Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Hymn of the Day: “O Christ, What Can it Mean for Us?” ELW 431

O Christ, What Can It Mean for Us

1 O Christ, what can it mean for us to claim you as our
 2 You came, the im - age of our God, to heal and to for -
 3 Though some would make their great - ness felt and lord it o - ver
 4 You chose a hum - ble hu - man form and shunned the world's re -

king? What roy - al face have you re - vealed whose
 give, to shed your blood for sin - ners' sake that
 all, you said the first must be the last and
 nown; you died for us up - on a cross with

praise the church would sing? As - pir - ing not to
 we might rise and live. To break the law of
 ser - vice be our call. O Christ, in work - place,
 thorns your on - ly crown. But still, be - yond the

glo - ry's height, to pow - er, wealth, and fame, you
 death you came, the law of love to bring; a
 church, and home, let none to pow - er cling; for
 span of years, our glad ho - san - nas ring, for

walked a dif - f'rent, low - ly way, an - oth - er's will your aim.
 dif - f'rent rule of righ - teous - ness, a dif - f'rent kind of king.
 still, through us, you come to serve, a dif - f'rent kind of king.
 now at God's right hand you reign, a dif - f'rent kind of king!

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Prayers of Intercession

Set free from sin and death and nourished by the word of truth, we join in prayer for all of God's creation, responding to each petition with the words "Your mercy is great."

A brief silence.

Holy One, for the gift of the church through the ages and for all who carry on the servant ministry of Jesus, we praise you. Send your Holy Spirit upon all the churches of Arlington and on all who are discerning calls to ministry in its many forms, and equip them with your gifts. Bring unity to our congregation, despite our differences of opinion concerning ministry. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Creating One, for the abundant habitats you provide for all your creatures, we praise you. Provide healing for the earth so that waterfowl, reptiles, wild horses, dolphins, and all living things flourish as you intend. Protect the animals who live where wildfires rage. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Suffering One, for all who work toward peace and who lead the nations with a servant's heart, we praise you. Inspire our legislators to find ways to serve all the people. Provide homes for Afghan refugees, and bring justice for all who suffer violence, persecution, discrimination, hunger, poverty, and homelessness. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Merciful One, for all who honor the witness of St. Luke by attending to the sick, we praise you. Surround and comfort all who struggle with Covid, depression, anxiety, cancer, diabetes, dementia, or those illnesses known only to you, that all may find wholeness in you. We pray especially for . . .

1. Jeanne Broyhill
2. Ellie Barnes
3. Janette Wray
4. Sandy Lindamood
5. Judy Frank
6. Effie Stallsmith
7. Malcolm Stark
8. Barb Jensen
9. Charlotte Boeck

- 10.Lynn Kiewel
- 11.Phillip Swingler
- 12.Maria Liwski
- 13.Tucker Dean
- 14.Irene Belcher
- 15.Sharon Kravetz
- 16.Dipankar Ghosh
- 17.Analyse, Ramon, and Nicky Villatoro
- 18.Roy Guenther

Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Healing God, for our local physicians, hospitals, and clinics, we praise you. Uphold the administrators in their staffing concerns. Strengthen medical personnel and private caregivers, and support those who travel to deliver the Covid vaccine to far distant places. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Sustaining One, for all who volunteer for the vitality of this congregation, we praise you. Uphold Pastor Linman and all who serve our worshipping assembly. Visit our members who not able to gather with us on Sunday. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Risen One, we thank you for those who have shaped your church and shared your gospel. Through the witness of your saints, especially Ignatius and the evangelist Luke, continue to inspire us with hope until we all are gathered at your eternal feast. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Confident of your mercy, we boldly place our prayers into your hands; through Jesus Christ, our truth and life.

Amen.

A brief silence.

Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

The assembly greets each other with Christ's Peace by bowing to each other, waving, or offering another appropriate gesture. For continued safety, please refrain from handshakes and hugs.

Music at the Offering

Offering and Setting the Table

While the table is set for Holy Communion, members of the assembly may prepare to bring their offering forward when ushers invite them to come to the chancel where baskets are available to receive your gift. Communion ministers will sanitize and cleanse their hands prior to handling the gifts of bread and wine.

Offering Prayer

Let us pray.
God of abundance,
you cause streams to break forth in the desert
and manna to rain from the heavens.
Accept the gifts you have first given us.
Unite them with the offering of our lives
to nourish the world you love so dearly;
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

Dialogue and Preface

The image displays four staves of musical notation in a single system, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff contains two measures: "The Lord be with you." and "And al - so with you." The second staff also contains two measures: "Lift up your hearts." and "We lift them to the Lord." The third staff contains one measure: "Let us give thanks to the Lord our God,". The fourth staff contains one measure: "It is right to give our thanks and praise." The notes are primarily quarter and eighth notes, with some rests and slurs.

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 du - ty and our joy,

that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you,

al - mighty and merciful God, through our Sav - ior Je - sus Christ;

who on this day overcame death and the grave,

and by his glorious resur - rec - tion

opened to us the way of ev - er - last - ing life.

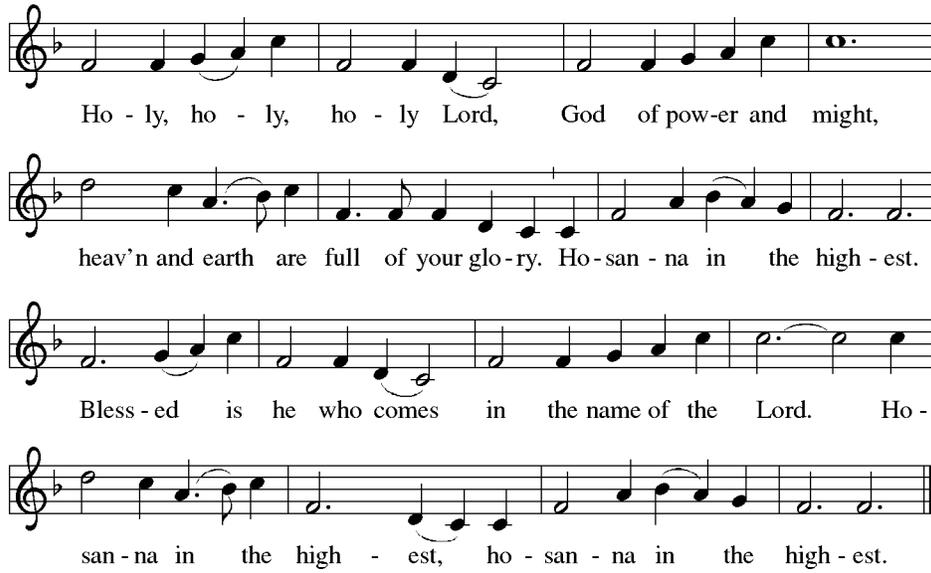
And so, with all the choirs of an - gels,

with the church on earth and the hosts of heav - en,

we praise your name and join their un - end - ing hymn:

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Holy, Holy, Holy ELW Setting Ten



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. 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, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Thanksgiving at the Table

We praise you, all-holy God,
our maker, our lover, our keeper,
for the universe beyond our knowing,
for lands and seas and all their animals,
and for friends and strangers and family,
for homes and grocery stores and schools,
for our Arlington community and for our hundred-fold fields in the earth.

We praise you for your covenant people,
for Abraham and Sarah, Moses and Miriam,
for the prophet Isaiah
and for centuries of faithful Christians,
for Mary and Mary Magdalene, Peter and Paul,
and for the writer of the letter to the Hebrews.

We praise you above all for your Son Jesus Christ,
who looks at us with love,
who saves us from sin and from evil, as through the eye of a needle,
who welcomes us to hundred-fold houses and mothers and siblings
and children,
and who on the night before he died 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.

And so we proclaim the mystery of our faith:
Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

We pray for your Holy Spirit,
your breath, your fire, your wisdom,
gathering us together in this house.

By the power of the Spirit
nourish us with the body and blood of Christ,
inspire your people for service,
for sharing what we have with those in need,
and for doing justice.
Renew the world with your mercy,
with your healing, your justice, and your peace,

We praise you, all-holy God,
the Father, the Son, the Holy Spirit,
today, tomorrow, and forever. Amen!
Amen!

Lord's Prayer

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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.

Breaking of Bread and Invitation to Communion

All who hunger and thirst, come.
The table is ready.

*At the direction of ushers, baptized and communing members of the assembly wishing to commune will proceed to the front of the nave in a continuous line, maintaining appropriate physical distance. Others may also come forward for a blessing. To receive the bread, place your hands palms up and level so that the presiding minister is able to drop the bread onto your uplifted hands without touching you. Using a receptacle, such as a small juice glass which you have brought from home, hold it firmly that the assisting minister is able to pour wine from the common cup into your individual glass. For health safety reasons, you may **not** dip the bread into the wine in the chalice. You may also elect to commune by receiving the bread only. You may, of course, remove your mask to commune. Gluten free hosts are available to those who need that option. Once you have received the bread and wine, return to your places by the side aisles, while maintaining appropriate physical distance from your neighbors.*

Lamb of God: ELW Setting Ten, S 208



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
 2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
 3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;

you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
 you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
 e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION “Prayer of Hildegard”, Barbara Wallace

Prayer after Communion

Let us pray.
Lord of life,
in the gift of your body and blood
you turn the crumbs of our faith into a feast of salvation.
Send us forth into the world with shouts of joy,
bearing witness to the abundance of your love
in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

Blessing

People of God,
you are Christ's body,
bringing new life to a suffering world.
The holy Trinity, ✝ one God,
bless you now and forever.
Amen.

***SENDING HYMN* "Faith Begins by Letting Go" ACS 1004**

Faith Begins By Letting Go

1 Faith be - gins by let - ting go, giv - ing up what had seemed sure,
 2 Faith en - dures by hold - ing on, keep - ing mem - 'ry's roots a - live
 3 Faith ma - tures by reach - ing out, stretch - ing minds, en - larg - ing hearts,

tak - ing risks and press - ing on, though the way feels less se - cure:
 so that hope may bear its fruit; prom - ise - fed, our souls will thrive,
 shar - ing strug - gles, liv - ing prayer, bind - ing up the bro - ken parts;

pil - grim - age both right and odd, trust - ing all our life to God.
 not through mer - it we pos - sess but by God's great faith - ful - ness.
 till we find the com - mon - place ripe with wit - ness to God's grace.

Text: Carl P. Daw Jr., b. 1944

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Dismissal

Go in peace. The living Word dwells in you.
Thanks be to God.

CLOSING VOLUNTARY “*Herr Jesu Christ! dich uns wend*”, Sigfrid Karg-Elert

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