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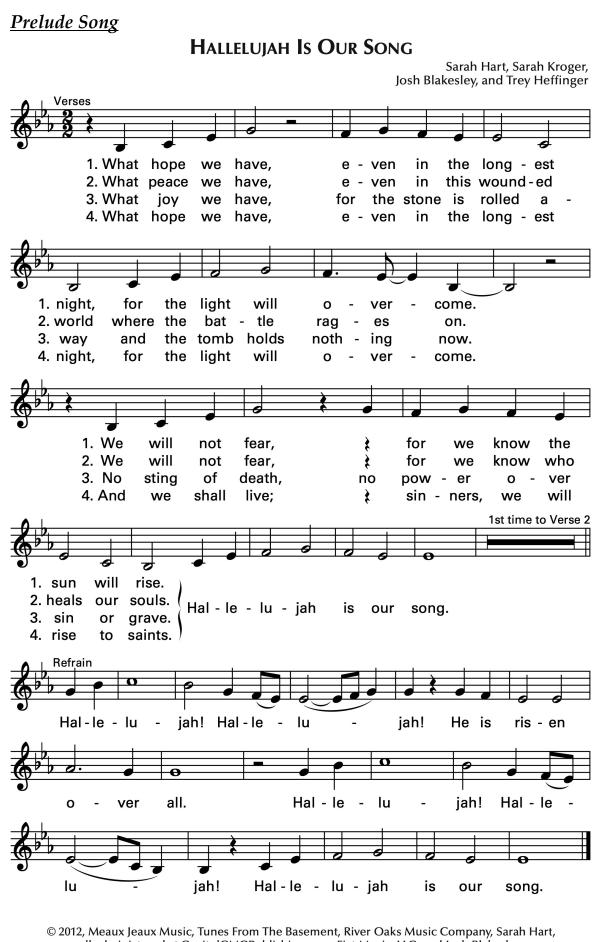
We are his people, the sheep of his flock.

Psalm 100

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THE INTRODUCTORY RITES (GATHERING)

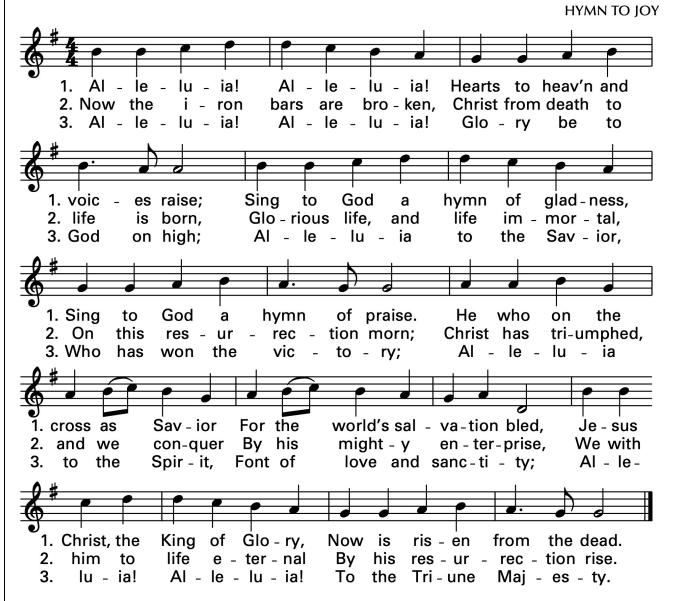
Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Psalm 33 (32):5-6

The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth; by the word of the Lord the heavens were made, alleluia.

Entrance Hymn (verses 1 and 3)

ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA!



Text: 87 87 D; Christopher Wordsworth, 1872, alt. Music: Ludwig van Beethoven, 1770-1827; adapt. by Edward Hodges, 1796-1867.

Greeting

Priest: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

(All make the Sign of the Cross.) Amen.

Priest: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ...be with you all. And with your spirit.

Penitential Act

I confess to almighty God

and to you, my brothers and sisters,

that I have greatly sinned

in my thoughts and in my words,

in what I have done,

and in what I have failed to do;

(Strike breast) through my fault, through my fault,

through my most grievous fault;

therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,

all the Angels and Saints,

and you, my brothers and sisters,

to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Priest/Deacon: May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life. Amen.

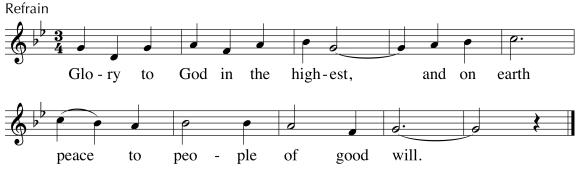
Priest/Deacon: Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy.

Priest/Deacon: Christ have mercy. Christ have mercy.

Priest/Deacon: Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy.

<u>Gloria</u>





Verses

 We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

2. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

3. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

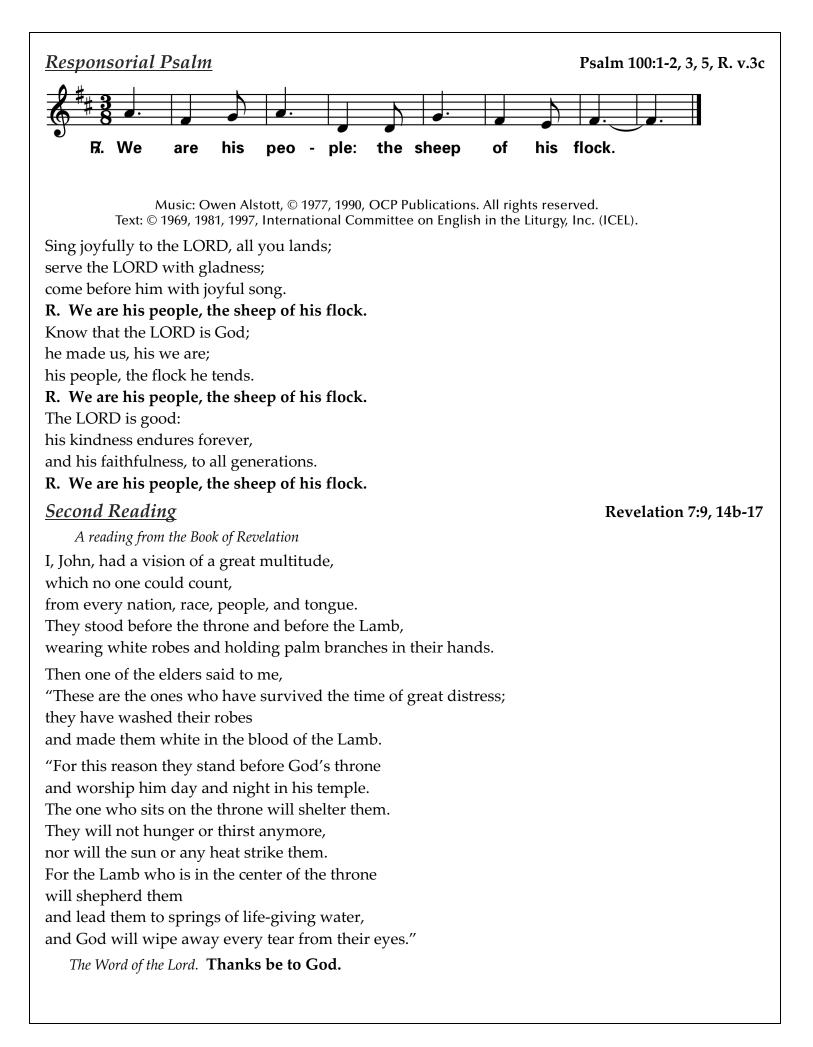
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<u>Collect</u>

(After the Priest says the Collect, all respond.) **Amen.** (Please be seated.)

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading Acts of the Apostles 13:14, 43-52 A reading from the Acts of the Apostles Paul and Barnabas continued on from Perga and reached Antioch in Pisidia. On the sabbath they entered the synagogue and took their seats. Many Jews and worshipers who were converts to Judaism followed Paul and Barnabas, who spoke to them and urged them to remain faithful to the grace of God. On the following sabbath almost the whole city gathered to hear the word of the Lord. When the Jews saw the crowds, they were filled with jealousy and with violent abuse contradicted what Paul said. Both Paul and Barnabas spoke out boldly and said, "It was necessary that the word of God be spoken to you first, but since you reject it and condemn yourselves as unworthy of eternal life, we now turn to the Gentiles. For so the Lord has commanded us, I have made you a light to the Gentiles, that you may be an instrument of salvation to the ends of the earth." The Gentiles were delighted when they heard this and glorified the word of the Lord. All who were destined for eternal life came to believe, and the word of the Lord continued to spread through the whole region. The Jews, however, incited the women of prominence who were worshipers and the leading men of the city, stirred up a persecution against Paul and Barnabas, and expelled them from their territory. So they shook the dust from their feet in protest against them, and went to Iconium. The disciples were filled with joy and the Holy Spirit. The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.



Gospel Acclamation and Verse

(Please stand.)



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I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;

I know my sheep, and mine know me.

R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

<u>Gospel</u>

The Lord be with you. And with your spirit.

The reading from the holy Gospel according to John. Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said:

"My sheep hear my voice;

I know them, and they follow me.

I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish.

No one can take them out of my hand.

My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all,

and no one can take them out of the Father's hand.

The Father and I are one."

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily (Please be seated.)



John 10:27-30

Profession of Faith (Nicene Creed). (Please stand.) I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, (At the words that follow, up to and including "and became man," all bow.) and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.

I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Universal Prayer (Prayers of the Faithful)

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

(Please be seated.)

Hymn for Presentation of the Gifts and Preparation of the Altar

BECAUSE THE LORD IS MY SHEPHERD **Christopher Walker** Verses 1. Be - cause ____ shep-herd, the is have Lord mv 2. And when ____ the road leads to dark - ness, shall Т you make me 3. In love ____ ban - quet for my а 4. Your good-ness ____ al - ways is with me and your 1. ev – 'ry thing ____ need. He lets me rest in the 2. walk there _____ un - a - fraid. E - ven when death is close_ 3. en - e - mies ____ You make me wel-come, ____ to see. Your lov - ing kind-ness ____ 4. mer $_{-}$ cy $_{-}$ Т know. mead - ow and leads me to the qui - et streams. He re -1. have cour-age, for your help 2. is there. You are 3. pour - ing down hon - or from your might - y hand, and this 4. strength-ens me go through life. al-wavs as I shall Т in the paths that are right: 1. stores_ my soul and he leads me 2. close ____ be - side me with com-fort, you are guid - ing my way: _____ fills me with glad-ness; it is too much to bear: 3. joy ___ 4. dwell in your pres-ence for - ev - er, giv-ing praise to your name: Refrain my shep-herd, Lord, you are you are my friend. I want to fol-low you al - ways, just to fol-low my friend.

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Presentation of the Gifts and Preparation of the Altar

Priest: ...that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father,"

(Please stand.) May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands, for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

Prayer over the Offerings

Amen

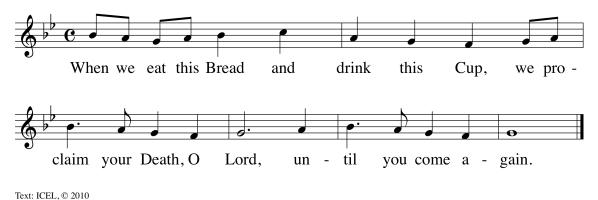
Preface

Priest: The Lord be with you. And with your spirit.Priest: Lift up your hearts. We lift them up to the Lord.

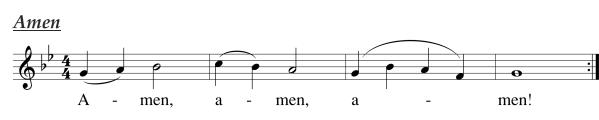
Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right and just.







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(Please stand.)

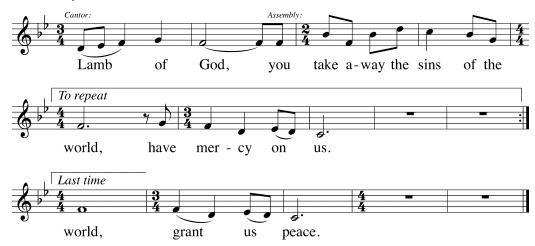
Our Father

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. Priest: Deliver us, Lord ... the coming of our Savior Jesus Christ. For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and forever.

Priest: Lord Jesus Christ ... Who live and reign for ever and ever. **Amen Priest:** The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And with your spirit.**

Sign of Peace

Lamb of God



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(Please kneel.)

Communion

Priest: Behold the Lamb of God ... Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

Act of Spiritual Communion

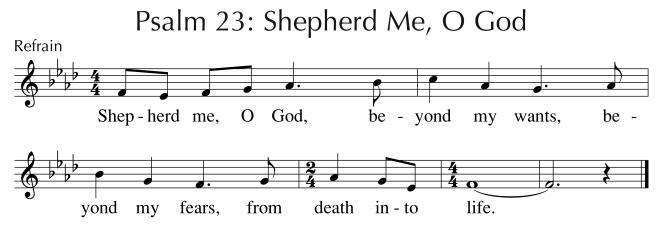
My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Communion Antiphon

The Good Shepherd has risen, who laid down his life for his sheep and willingly died for his flock, alleluia.

Communion Hymn



Verses

- God is my shepherd, so nothing shall I want, I rest in the meadows of faithfulness and love, I walk by the quiet waters of peace.
- 2. Gently you raise me and heal my weary soul, you lead me by pathways of righteousness and truth, my spirit shall sing the music of your name.
- 3. Though I should wander the valley of death, I fear no evil, for you are at my side, your rod and your staff, my comfort and my hope.
- 4. You have set me a banquet of love in the face of hatred, crowning me with love beyond my pow'r to hold.
- 5. Surely your kindness and mercy follow me all the days of my life; I will dwell in the house of my God for evermore.

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Prayer after Communion

THE CONCLUDING RITES

Announcements

Greeting and Blessing

(Please stand.)

Priest: The Lord be with you. And with your spirit.

Priest: May almighty God bless you, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen

<u>Dismissal</u>

Deacon/Priest: Go in peace. Thanks be to God.

Recessional Hymn

HOW CAN I KEEP FROM SINGING

ENDLESS SONG



Text: 87 87 with refrain; attr. to Robert Lowry, 1826–1899, alt.; verse 3, Doris Plenn. Music: Quaker Hymn; attr. to Robert Lowry.