

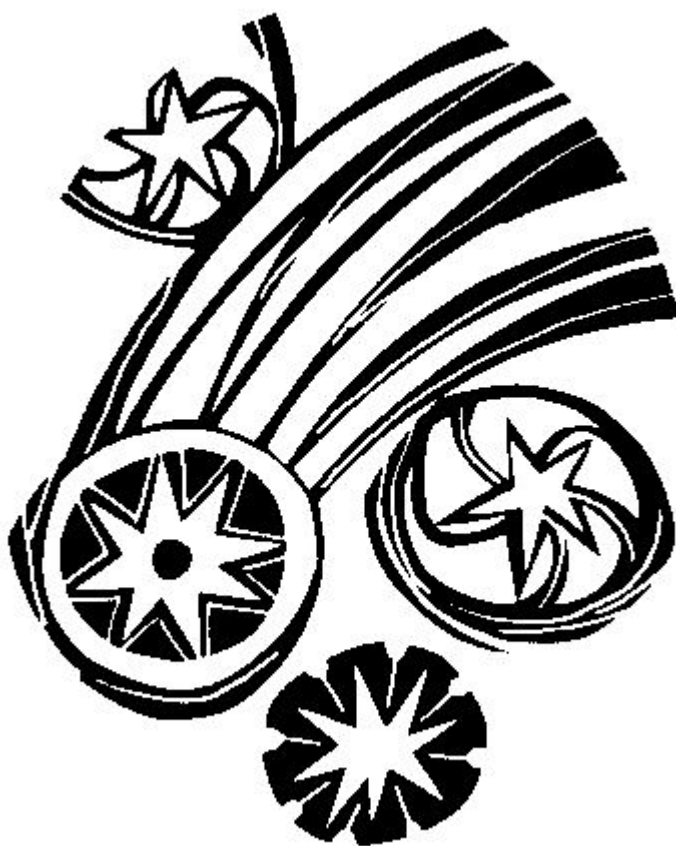
# The Church of the Holy Trinity

Rittenhouse Square

## The Third Sunday after The Epiphany

11:00 AM

The Service of Morning Prayer



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January 23, 2022

# Morning Prayer

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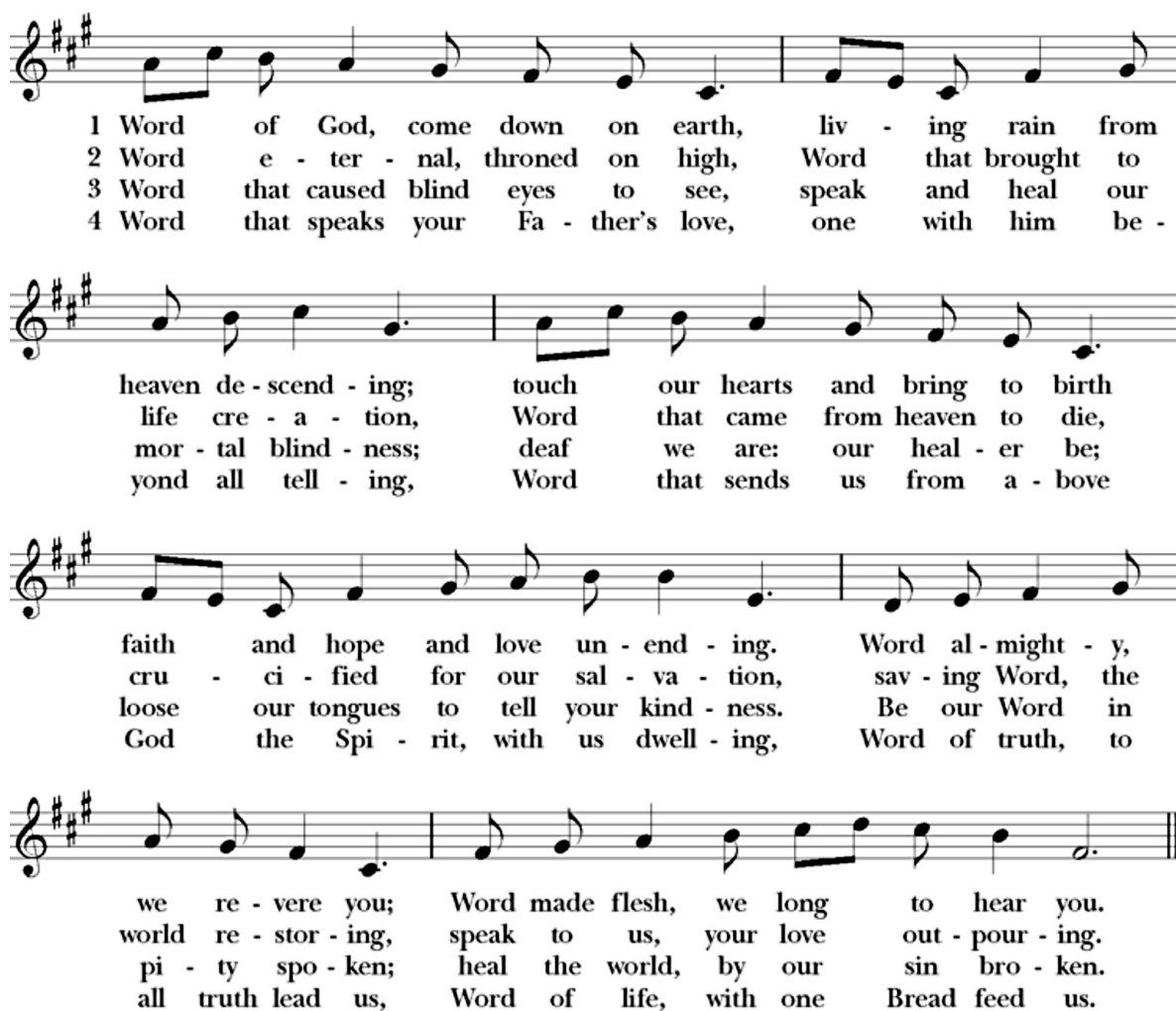
**Prelude:**

*Aria*

Gerre Hancock

**Opening Hymn: 633** Word of God, come down on earth

*Mt. St. Alban NCA*



1 Word of God, come down on earth, liv - ing rain from  
2 Word e - ter - nal, throned on high, Word that brought to  
3 Word that caused blind eyes to see, speak and heal our  
4 Word that speaks your Fa - ther's love, one with him be -

heaven de - scend - ing; touch our hearts and bring to birth  
life cre - a - tion, Word that came from heaven to die,  
mor - tal blind - ness; deaf we are: our heal - er be;  
yond all tell - ing, Word that sends us from a - bove

faith and hope and love un - end - ing. Word al - might - y,  
cru - ci - fied for our sal - va - tion, sav - ing Word, the  
loose our tongues to tell your kind - ness. Be our Word in  
God the Spi - rit, with us dwell - ing, Word of truth, to

we re - vere you; Word made flesh, we long to hear you.  
world re - stor - ing, speak to us, your love out - pour - ing.  
pi - ty spo - ken; heal the world, by our sin bro - ken.  
all truth lead us, Word of life, with one Bread feed us.

## The Opening Sentence

*Leader* I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth. *Isaiah 49:6b*

## Confession of Sin

*Leader* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

*All* Most merciful God, we confess that 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 are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

*Leader* Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. Amen.

### The Invitatory and Psalter

*Leader* Lord, open our lips.

*People* And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

*All* Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.

### The Invitatory *Venite*

Jack Noble White

1. Come, let us sing to the

Lord; — let us shout for joy to the Rock of our sal -

va - tion. — 2. Let us come be-fore his pres-ence with thanks - giv - ing —

— and raise a loud shout to him with psalms. — 3. For the

Lord is a great God, — and a great King a - bove all

gods. — 4. In his hand are the cav-erns of the earth, —

— and the heights of the hills are his al - so. — 5. The

sea is his, for he made it, — and his hands have

mold - ed the dry land. — 6. Come, let us bow down, and bend the

knee, — and kneel be-fore the Lord our Ma - ker. — 7. For

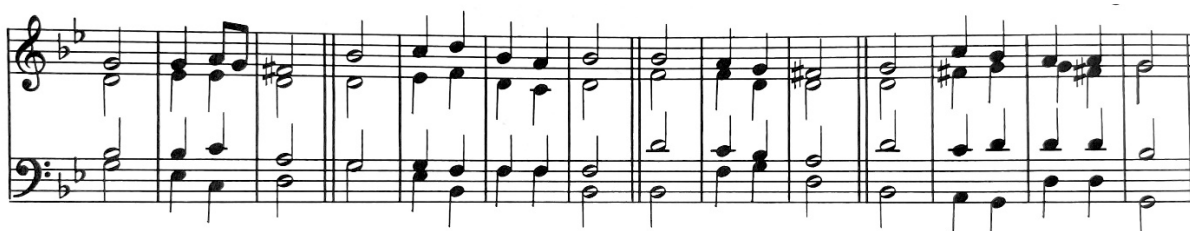
he is our God, — and we are the peo - ple of his

pas - ture — and the sheep of his hand. —

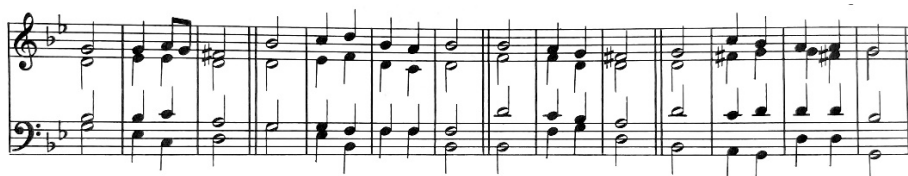
— Oh, that to - day you would heark-en to his voice! —



- <sup>1</sup> The heavens declare the glory of God, \*  
and the firmament shows his handiwork.
- <sup>2</sup> One day tells its tale to another, \*  
and one night imparts knowledge to another.
- <sup>3</sup> Although they have no words or language, \*  
and their voices are not heard,
- <sup>4</sup> Their sound has gone out into all lands, \*  
and their message to the ends of the world.
- <sup>5</sup> In the deep has he set a pavilion for the sun; \*  
it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber;  
it rejoices like a champion to run its course.
- <sup>6</sup> It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens  
and runs about to the end of it again; \*  
nothing is hidden from its burning heat.



- <sup>7</sup> The law of the LORD is perfect and revives the soul; \*  
the testimony of the LORD is sure and gives wisdom to the innocent.
- <sup>8</sup> The statutes of the LORD are just and rejoice the heart; \*  
the commandment of the LORD is clear and gives light to the eyes.



- <sup>9</sup> The fear of the LORD is clean and endures for ever; \*  
the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.
- <sup>10</sup> More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold, \*  
sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.



- <sup>11</sup> By them also is your servant enlightened, \*  
and in keeping them there is great reward.
- <sup>12</sup> Who can tell how often he offends? \*  
cleanse me from my secret faults.
- <sup>13</sup> Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins;  
let them not get dominion over me; \*  
then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense.
- <sup>14</sup> Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart  
be acceptable in your sight, \*  
O LORD, my strength and my redeemer.

Glory to the Father, and | to the | Son, \*  
and | to the | Holy | Spirit:  
As it was in the be- | ginning, • is | now, \*  
and will be for- | ever. | A- | men.

## The Readings

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### **The First Reading:** Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

*Reader* A reading from Nehemiah.

All the people of Israel gathered together into the square before the Water Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the Lord had given to Israel. Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law. And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people answered, "Amen, Amen," lifting up their hands. Then they bowed their heads and worshiped the Lord with their faces to the ground. So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation. They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading.

And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, "This day is holy to the Lord your God; do not mourn or weep." For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law. Then he said to them, "Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our Lord; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the Lord is your strength."

*Reader* The Word of the Lord

*All* **Thanks be to God.**

Arise, shine, for your light has come, \* and the glory of the Lord has dawned upon you.

For behold, darkness covers the land; \* deep gloom enshrouds the peoples.

But over you the Lord will rise, \* and his glory will appear upon you.

Nations will stream to your light, \* and kings to the brightness of your dawning.

Your gates will always be open; \* by day or night they will never be shut.

They will call you, The City of the Lord, \* The Zion of the Holy One of Israel.

Violence will no more be heard in your land, \* ruin or destruction within your borders.

You will call your walls, Salvation, \* and all your portals, Praise.

The sun will no more be your light by day; \* by night you will not need the brightness of the moon.

The Lord will be your everlasting light, \* and your God will be your glory.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \*

as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

**The Second Reading:** 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

*Reader* A reading from the First Epistle to the Corinthians.

Just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body--Jews or Greeks, slaves or free--and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. If the foot would say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. And if the ear would say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. If all were a single member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many members, yet one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you," nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you." On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and those members of the body that we think less honorable we clothe with

greater honor, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; whereas our more respectable members do not need this.

But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honor to the inferior member, that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it.

Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? But strive for the greater gifts.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord

*All* **Thanks be to God.**

## **Canticle 21: Te Deum**

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You are God: we praise you; You are the Lord; we acclaim you;  
You are the eternal Father: All creation worships you.

To you all angels, all the powers of heaven,  
Cherubim and Seraphim, sing in endless praise:  
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

The glorious company of apostles praise you.  
The noble fellowship of prophets praise you.  
The white-robed army of martyrs praise you.  
Throughout the world the holy Church acclaims you;  
Father, of majesty unbounded,  
your true and only Son, worthy of all worship,  
and the Holy Spirit, advocate and guide.

You, Christ, are the king of glory, the eternal Son of the Father.

When you became man to set us free you did not shun the Virgin's womb.  
You overcame the sting of death and opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers.

You are seated at God's right hand in glory.  
We believe that you will come and be our judge.  
Come then, Lord, and help your people,  
bought with the price of your own blood,  
and bring us with your saints to glory everlasting.

## **The Gospel Reading:** Luke 4:14-21

*Leader* A Reading from the Gospel of Luke.

Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,  
because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor.  
He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives  
and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free,  
to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."

And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

*Leader* The Gospel of the Lord

*All* **Thanks be to God.**

## **The Sermon**

*The Rev. John Gardner*

## **The Anthem**

*Give Thanks to the Lord*

Gerre Hancock

Give thanks to the Lord; call on his name;  
Make known among the nations what he hath done.  
And proclaim that his name is exalted.  
Sing to the Lord, for he hath done glorious things;  
Let this be known in all the world.

## The Apostles' Creed

*All* 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 to the dead.  
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.

## The Prayers

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*Leader* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Leader* Let us pray.

## The Lord's Prayer

*All* 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, for ever and ever. Amen.

## Suffrages A

*Leader* Show us your mercy, O Lord;

*People* **And grant us your salvation.**

*Leader* Clothe your ministers with righteousness;

*People* **Let your people sing with joy.**

*Leader* Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;

*People* **For only in you can we live in safety.**

*Leader* Lord, keep this nation under your care;

*People* **And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**

*Leader* Let your way be known upon earth;

*People* **Your saving health among all nations.**

*Leader* Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;

*People* **Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**

*Leader* Create in us clean hearts, O God;

*People* **And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.**

## The Collect of the Day

*Leader* Give us grace, O Lord, to answer readily the call of our Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the Good News of his salvation, that we and the whole world may perceive the glory of his marvelous works; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## A Collect for Sundays

*Leader* O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## A Collect for Mission

*Leader* O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near:

Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold; pour out your Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

## A Prayer for Spiritual Communion

*All* **My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.**

*(St. Alphonsus de Liguori, 1696-1787)*

## Parish Notices

**Offertory Sentence:** Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

**Offertory Hymn: 547** Awake, O sleeper, rise from death

*Marsh Chapel*

1 A - wake, O sleep - er, rise from death, and Christ shall  
 2 To us on earth he came to bring from sin and  
 3 There is one Bo - dy and one hope, one Spi - rit  
 4 Then walk in love as Christ has loved, who died that  
 5 For us Christ lived, for us he died and con - quered

1 give you light, so learn his love— its length and  
 2 fear re - lease, to give the Spi - rit's u - ni -  
 3 and one call, one Lord, one Faith, and one Bap -  
 4 he might save; with kind and gen - tle hearts for -  
 5 in the strife. A - wake, a - rise, go forth in

1 breadth, its full - ness, depth, and height.  
 2 ty, the ve - ry bond of peace.  
 3 tism, one Fa - ther of us all.  
 4 give as God in Christ for - gave.  
 5 faith, and Christ shall give you life.

## Intercessions and Thanksgiving

*Leader* Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

We pray for the church, especially for Michael, our Presiding Bishop and Daniel, our Bishop. In the diocesan cycle of prayer we pray for the Widows Corporation. In our companion diocese of Guatemala we pray for Iglesia Episcopal San Pedro y San Pablo, (St. Peter & St. Paul Church) Guatemala City, The Rev. Eddy Garcia.

We pray for all those who have asked for our prayers, especially Grace, Scott, Jeff, Eddie, Alexandra, The Spencer Family, Kara, Megan, Leonard, Barbara, Peyton, Peter R, The Scott Family, Abby, Andy, Andrew, Sue, Tommy, Lynn, The Welsford Family, Mike, Parke, Peter, David, Bill, Tricia, Robert, Michael, Charles, Sister Ann, Judy, Ava, Lisa, and those you wish to name. That you would heal all injuries, comfort all grief, and settle all wrongs.

We pray in thanksgiving for all the good things that have happened this week. For those who celebrate birthdays or anniversaries, and those you wish to name. That you would remind us of your joy and show us your love.

We pray for those who have died, and those you wish to name.

## The General Thanksgiving

*All* **Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.**

*Leader* Let us bless the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## Closing Sentence

*Leader* The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. **Amen.**

## Closing Hymn: 538 God of mercy, God of grace

*Lucerna Laudoniae*

1 God of mer - cy, God of grace, show the bright - ness of thy  
2 Let thy peo - ple praise thee, Lord; be by all that live a -

face. Shine up - on us, Sa - vior, shine, fill thy  
dored. Let the na - tions shout and sing glo - ry

Church with light di - vine, and thy sav - ing health ex -  
to their Sa - vior King; let all be, be - low, a -

tend un - to earth's re - mot - est end.  
bove, one in joy, and light, and love.

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