

Communion Practice: We believe that Christ is truly present in Holy Communion and, as we try to be faithful to Christ in the serving of this Sacrament, we ask that everyone be examined and instructed by the Pastor before receiving Holy Communion. All confirmed members of this parish, who have been regularly examined by the Pastor, are welcome to partake of the Holy Eucharist today. We also welcome the members who are in good standing of any of the parishes served by the Bishop, Pastors, and Deacons of The Evangelical Lutheran Diocese of North America (ELDoNA), and who have spoken to the Pastor prior to the service. Members of other Lutheran parishes or other denominations are kindly asked to refrain from communing today. The Pastor would be glad to make an appointment with anyone to discuss our teachings and/or our parish.

A Prayer upon Entering Church

Almighty, Ever-Living God, grant that I may gladly hear Thy Word and that all my worship may be acceptable unto Thee; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

A Prayer before Communion

Dear Savior, upon Thy gracious invitation I come to Thine Altar. Let me find favor in Thine eyes that I may approach Thy Table in true faith and receive the Sacrament to the salvation of my soul. Amen.

A Prayer after Communion

O Thou blessed Savior Jesus Christ, Who hast given Thyself to me in this holy Sacrament, keep me in Thy faith and favor; as Thou livest in me, let me also live in Thee. May Thy holy Body and Blood preserve me in the true faith unto everlasting life. Amen.

A Prayer at the Close of the Service

Grant, I beseech Thee, Almighty God, that the Word which I have heard this day may through Thy grace be so engrafted in my heart that I may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

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The Second Sunday after Epiphany
January 18th, 2026

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“And the third day there was a marriage in Cana of Galilee.” St. John 2:1

The Order of Divine Service

The Prelude	<i>“Wo Gott zum Haus”</i>	Johann Pachelbel
The Ringing of the Bell		
The Hymn	<i>“Oh, Blest the House, Whate’er Befall”</i>	ASBH 47
<i>Stand</i>		
Silent Prayer	<i>(Prayers are located on back cover)</i>	ASBH p. 7
The Invocation		ASBH p. 7
The Confession of Sins	<i>(All may kneel)</i>	ASBH p. 8
Versicles		ASBH p. 8
Confession and Absolution		ASBH p. 8-9
<i>Stand (if kneeling)</i>		
The Introit	<i>(Congregation joins Pastor on Gloria Patri)</i>	ASBH p. 58
The Kyrie		ASBH p. 10
The Gloria in Excelsis		ASBH p. 10-13
The Salutation		ASBH p. 13
The Collect for the Day		ASBH p. 58
Collect Amen		ASBH p. 14
<i>Sit</i>		
The Epistle		Romans 12:6-16a
The Gradual		ASBH p. 58
<i>Stand</i>		
The Triple Hallelujah	<i>(First Setting)</i>	ASBH p. 14
The Gospel	<i>(Gospel Responses ASBH p. 16)</i>	St. John 2:1-11
The Creed	<i>(All may bow at the words “And was made man.)</i>	ASBH p. 17
<i>Sit</i>		
The Hymn	<i>“Happy the Man Who Feareth God”</i>	ASBH 11
The Sermon	<i>This Beginning of His Signs</i>	
<i>Stand</i>		
The Offertory		ASBH p. 18-19
	<i>(An Alms Basin is located next to the bulletins for any Offerings)</i>	
The General Prayer		ASBH p. 19-20
The Lord’s Prayer		ASBH p. 20
<i>Sit</i>		
The Hymn	<i>“O Splendor of God’s Glory Bright”</i>	Δ INSERT
The Lavabo	<i>(During Hymn)</i>	ASBH p. 21
<i>Stand</i>		
The Exhortation		ASBH p. 21
The Preface		ASBH p. 22
The Proper Preface		ASBH p. 23-27
The Sanctus and Benedictus		ASBH p. 27-28
The Lord’s Prayer		ASBH p. 29
The Verba Domini	<i>(All may bow when the Pastor genuflects)</i>	ASBH p. 30
The Pax Domini	<i>(All may bow and cross themselves)</i>	ASBH p. 31

The Agnus Dei	<i>(All may kneel)</i>	ASBH p. 31-32
<i>Sit</i>		
The Distribution	<i>(Prayers are located on back cover)</i>	
The Hymn	<i>“Lord Jesus Christ, Thou hast Prepared”</i>	INSERT
<i>Stand</i>		
The Nunc Dimittis		ASBH p. 33-35
The Thanksgiving and Collect		ASBH p. 35-36
<i>Sit</i>		
The Hymn	<i>“Come, Humble Soul”</i>	INSERT
<i>Stand</i>		
The Salutation		ASBH p. 36
The Benedicamus		ASBH p. 37
The Benediction		ASBH p. 37
The Triple Amen	<i>(First Setting)</i>	ASBH p. 37
<i>Sit</i>		
The Postlude	<i>“O Heilige Dreifaltigkeit”</i>	Jan Bender

Recitation of the Catechism

How One Should Be Taught to Pray (pages 27-29) & Questions 219-224 (Part III. The Lord’s Prayer. The Introduction, pages 111-112).

Announcements

ASBH = Augustana Service Book and Hymnal: 2022 Supplement.

Δ—indicates a hymn ending in a Doxological stanza; please stand.

In Our Prayers:

- For all those who are sick or infirmed, especially, *Dan, Katie, Kelly, Vince Bost, Brandon Dennie, Rachel Epperson, Vito Gerardi, Graham Hardaway, Michelle Harris, Peggy Holder, Judy Horn, Glen Madden, Paul Meadows, Barbara Miller, Mike Miller, Rev. Mark Mueller, Jack Newton, Becky Phillips, Betty Ramsey, Rev. Eric Stefanski, Chuck Webber, Gerald Weerts, and Tammy Wilson.*
- For our bishop, the *Rt. Rev. James D. Heiser.*
- For the parishes served by our diocese, and those in our international fellowship, especially, *Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church, Herrin, IL*; and her pastors, the *Rev. Michael D. Henson* and the *Rev. Dcn. Gary K. Harroun.*
- That the Lord might send *Faithful Laborers* into His harvest.
- For *St. Ignatius Evangelical Lutheran Seminary* and our seminarians, *Duncan Geldenhuys* and *Jonathan Teo Zin Han.*
- For the moral and spiritual support of those involved with our mission in Knoxville, TN, *Bob, Barbara, and Bobby Eisold*, and *Deacon and Sherrill Smithey.*
- For those struggling with addiction, especially *Thomas Allred* and *John Monahan.*
- For all those who serve in the military.
- For those celebrating birthdays this week.
- For those celebrating an anniversary this week.
- For those traveling this week.

Announcements

Daily Readings for Week after the Second Sunday after Epiphany

	Morning	Evening
Today	1 Timothy 4; Luke 19:1-10	1 Timothy 5; Ephesians 5:21-33
Monday:	1 Timothy 6; Matt. 4:18-25	2 Timothy 1; Genesis 17:1-22
Tuesday:	2 Timothy 2; Matt. 5:1-9	2 Timothy 3; Genesis 18:1-33
Wednesday:	2 Timothy 4; Matt. 5:27-48	Titus 1; Genesis 19:1-29
Thursday:	Titus 2; Matt. 6:1-23	Titus 3; Genesis 21:1-8
Friday:	Philemon; Matt. 7:1-14	Hebrews 1; Genesis 24:1-28
Saturday:	Hebrews 2; Matt. 7:24-29	Hebrews 3; Genesis 24:29-67

Praying the Psalter Daily in Matins and Vespers:

	Morning	Evening
Today:	Psalms 34, 89	Psalms 16, 90-92
Monday:	Psalms 34, 93-95	Psalms 16, 96-100
Tuesday:	Psalms 34, 101-102	Psalms 16, 103-104
Wednesday:	Psalms 34, 105	Psalms 16, 106
Thursday:	Psalms 34, 107	Psalms 16, 108-111
Friday:	Psalms 34, 112-115	Psalms 16, 116-118
Saturday:	Psalms 34, 119:1-40	Psalms 33, 119:41-88

Book of Concord Readings for the Week:

Monday: The Large Catechism, III.17-34
Tuesday: The Large Catechism, III.35-52
Wednesday: The Large Catechism, III.53-67
Thursday: The Large Catechism, III.68-81
Friday: The Large Catechism, III.82-98

Reciting the Catechism Daily:

Sunday: The Ten Commandments
Monday: The Apostles' Creed
Tuesday: The Lord's Prayer
Wednesday: Holy Baptism, The Office of the Keys and Confession

Thursday: The Sacrament of the Altar

Friday: How One Should Be Taught to Pray

Saturday: The Table of Duties

Hymns for the Week:

Morning: ASBH 11—"Happy the Man Who Feareth God"

Evening: INSERT—"O Splendor of God's Glory Bright"

Calendar for the Week after the Second Sunday after Epiphany

Today: The Second Sunday after Epiphany—Green

10:00 a.m. Divine Service and Bible Class in Simpsonville,
SC and Knoxville, TN (Deacon Smithey)

Monday: The Festival of St. Henry of Finland, Bishop and Martyr
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Tuesday: 6:00 p.m. Pastor Teaches Psalms Class

Wednesday: No Events Scheduled

Thursday: 6:00 p.m. Pastor Teaches Psalms Class

Friday: No Events Scheduled

Saturday: The Festival of St. Timothy, Bishop and Confessor

Next Sunday: The Festival of the Transfiguration of our Lord/The Conversion of St. Paul—White

10:00 a.m. Divine Service and Bible Class in Simpsonville,
SC

3:00 p.m. Divine Service in Augusta, GA

St. Ignatius of Antioch Evangelical Lutheran Seminary

The Diocesan seminary continues their Winter Quarter of their second year. Classes will continue until Friday, February 27th. I am teaching the class on the Psalms this quarter. Please keep the seminary and her students in your prayers.

The Lutheran Herald

The January issue of "The Lutheran Herald," the devotional booklet of the ELDoNA, is now available. It can be found on Facebook at: <http://tinyurl.com/LutheranHerald> and on the diocesan website: eldona.org. There are also printed copies in the back of the nave for your use and distribution.

An Excerpt from Luther's Writings

"God's Word shall do it, by which all things are made, preserved and transformed; that Word which turns your water into wine, and distasteful

marriage into delight. That God has instituted marriage (Gen 2:32) the heathen and unbelievers do not know, therefore their water remains water and never becomes wine; for they feel not God's pleasure and delight in married life, which if they did feel they would experience such delight in my pleasure as not to feel the half of their affliction, feeling it outwardly only, but inwardly not at all. And this would be the way to turn water into wine, mixing my pleasure with your displeasure and placing the one against the other, so that my pleasure would drown your displeasure, and turn it into pleasure; but this pleasure of mine nothing will reveal and give to you except my Word, Gen 1:31: 'God saw everything that He had made, and, behold, it was very good.'" *From the Church Postil for the Second Sunday after Epiphany, 1525.*

To Read in Preparation for this week's Festivals:

Today—The Second Sunday after Epiphany

Epistle: Romans 12:6-16a

Gospel: St. John 2:1-11

January 19th—The Festival of St. Henry of Finland, Bishop and Martyr

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 1:3-7

Gospel: St. Matthew 16:24-27

January 24th—The Festival of St. Timothy, Bishop and Confessor

Epistle: 1 Timothy 6:11-16

Gospel: St. Luke 14:26-33

January 25th—The Festival of the Transfiguration of our Lord

Epistle: 2 Peter 1:16-21

Gospel: St. Matthew 17:1-9

Festival of St. Cyril of Alexandria

79. O Splendor of God's Glory Bright

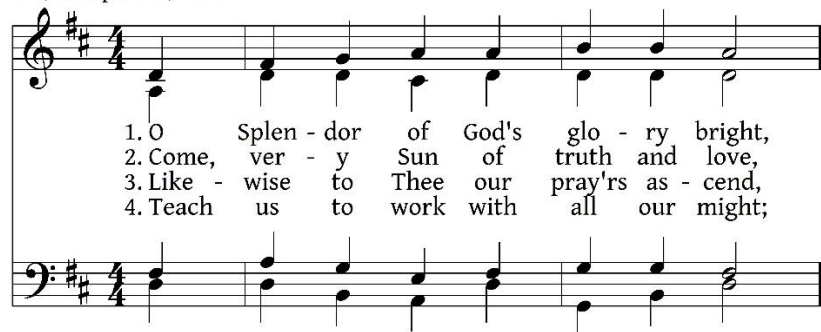
Splendor paternae gloriae

St. Ambrose, †397

Tr., composite, 1904

O Heilige Dreifaltigkeit

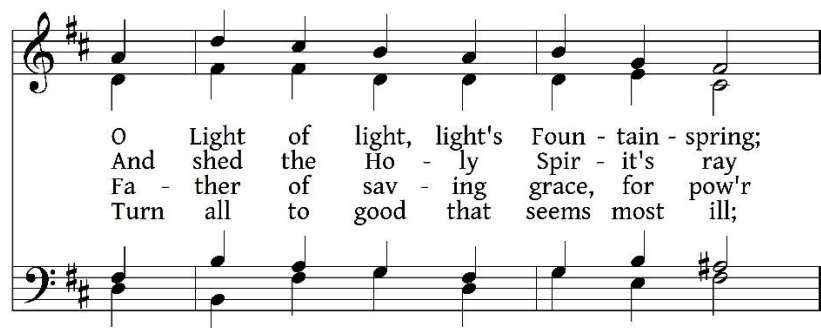
Nikolaus Herman, 1560



1. O Splen - dor of God's glo - ry bright,
 2. Come, ver - y Sun of truth and love,
 3. Like - wise to Thee our pray'rs as - cend,
 4. Teach us to work with all our might;



Who bring - est forth the light from Light;
 Come in Thy ra - diance from a - bove
 Fa - ther of glo - ry with - out end,
 Beat back the de - vil's threat - 'ning spite;



O Light of light, light's Foun - tain - spring;
 And shed the Ho - ly Spir - it's ray
 Fa - ther of sav - ing grace, for pow'r
 Turn all to good that seems most ill;



O Day, our days en - light - en - ing:
 On all we think or do to - day.
 To con - quer in temp - ta - tion's hour.
 Help us our call - ing to ful - fil. A - men.

5. Direct and govern heart and mind,
 With body chaste and disciplined;
 Let faith her eager fires renew
 And hate the false and love the true.

6. On Christ, the true Bread, let us feed,
 Let Him to us be drink indeed,
 And let us taste with joyfulness
 The Holy Spirit's plenteousness.

7. Oh, joyful be the livelong day,
 Our thoughts as pure as morning ray,
 Our faith like noonday's glowing height,
 Our souls undimmed by shades of night.

8. The dawn begins to speed her way,
 Let the true Dawn Himself display,
 The Son with God the Father One,
 And God the Father in the Son.

Δ 9. All praise to God the Father be,
 All praise, eternal Son, to Thee,
 Whom with the Spirit we adore
 Forever and forevermore.

217. Lord Jesus Christ, Thou Hast Prepared

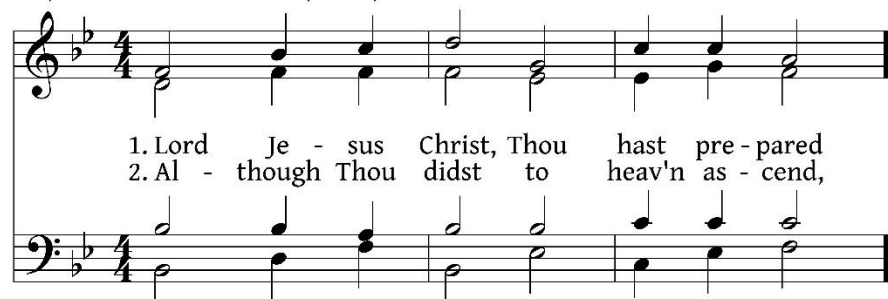
Herr Jesu Christ, du hast bereit't

Samuel Kinner, 1638

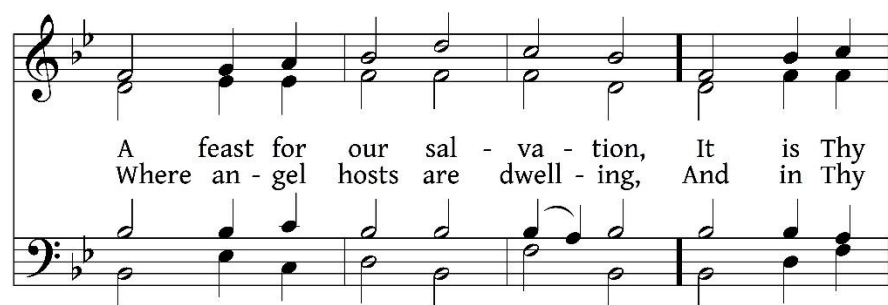
Tr., Emanuel Cronenwett, 1880, ad.

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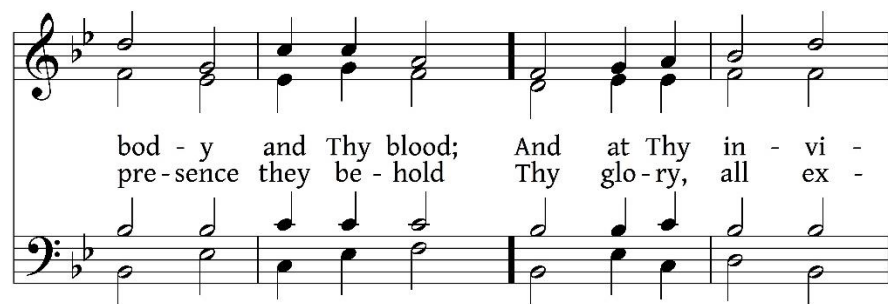
Peter Sohren, 1668



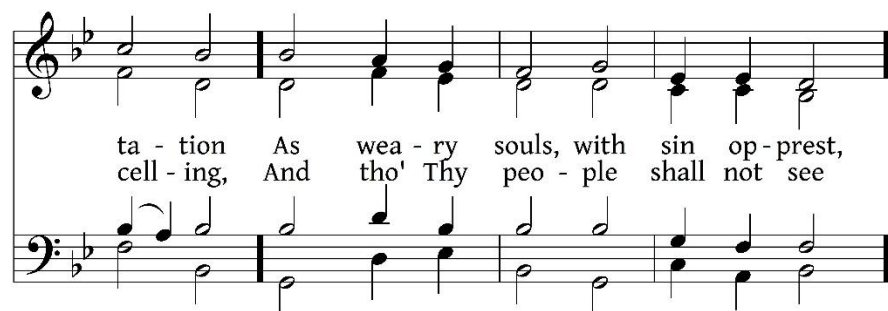
1. Lord Je - sus Christ, Thou hast pre - pared
2. Al - though Thou didst to heav'n as - cend,



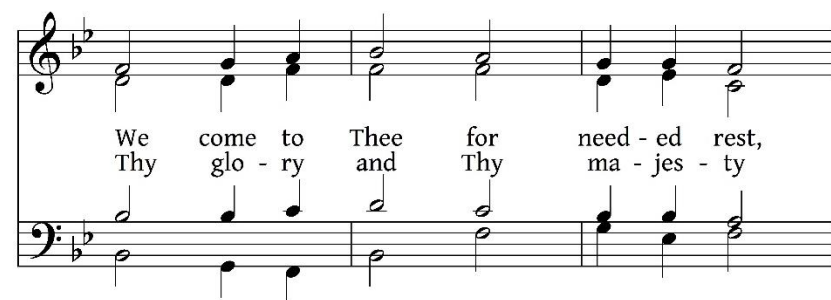
A feast for our sal - va - tion, It is Thy
Where an - gel hosts are dwell - ing, And in Thy



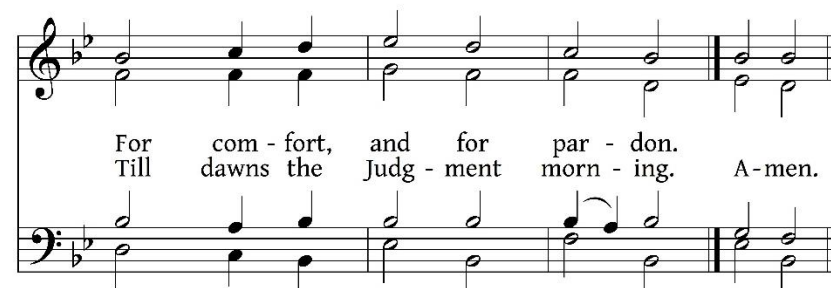
bod - y and Thy blood; And at Thy in - vi -
pre - sence they be - hold Thy glo - ry, all ex -



ta - tion As wea - ry souls, with sin op - prest,
cell - ing, And tho' Thy peo - ple shall not see



We come to Thee and for need - ed rest,
Thy glo - ry and Thy ma - jes - ty



For com - fort, and for par - don.
Till dawns the Judg - ment morn - ing. A - men.

3. Yet, Savior, Thou art not confined
To any habitation,
But Thou art present ev'rywhere
And with Thy congregation.
Firm as a rock this truth shall stand,
Unmoved by any daring hand
Or subtle craft and cunning.

4. We eat this bread and drink this cup,
Thy precious Word believing
That Thy true body and Thy blood
Our lips are here receiving.
This word remains forever true,
And there is naught Thou canst not do;
For Thou, Lord, art almighty.

5. Tho' reason cannot understand
Yet faith this truth embraces;
Thy body, Lord, is ev'rywhere
At once in many places.
How this can be I leave to Thee,
Thy Word alone sufficeth me,
I trust its truth unfailing.

6. Lord, I believe what Thou hast said,
Help me when doubts assail me;
Remember that I am but dust
And let my faith not fail me.
Thy Supper in this vale of tears
Refreshes me and stills my fears
And is my priceless treasure.

7. Grant that we worthily receive
Thy Supper, Lord, our Savior,
And, truly grieving o'er our sins,
May prove by our behavior
That we are thankful for Thy grace
And day by day may run our race,
In holiness increasing.

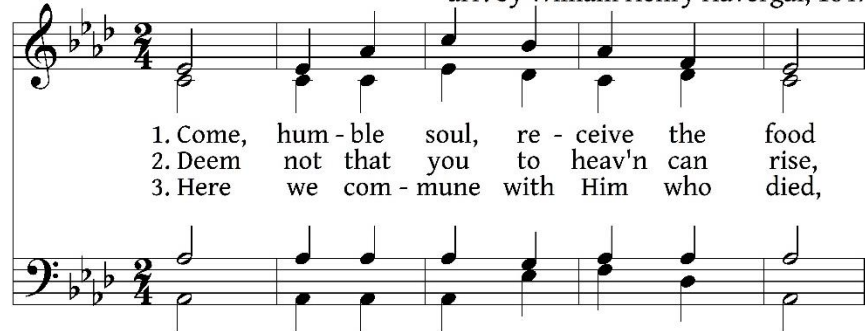
8. For Thy consoling Supper, Lord,
Be praised throughout all ages!
Preserve it, for in ev'ry place
The world against it rages.
Grant that this Sacrament may be
A blessed comfort unto me
When living and when dying.

147. Come, Humble Soul

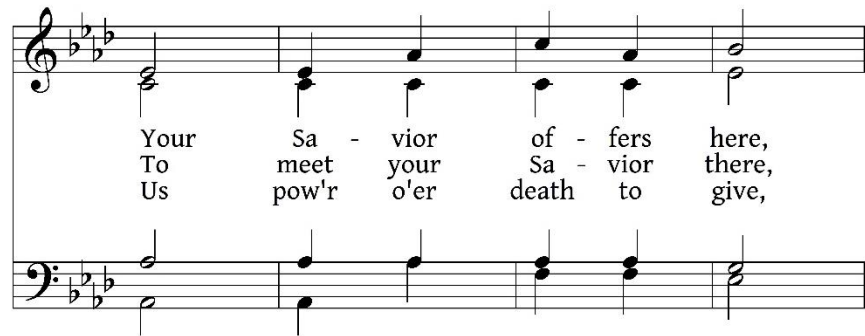
Matthias Loy, 1863

Evan
Welsh Melody

arr. by William Henry Havergal, 1847



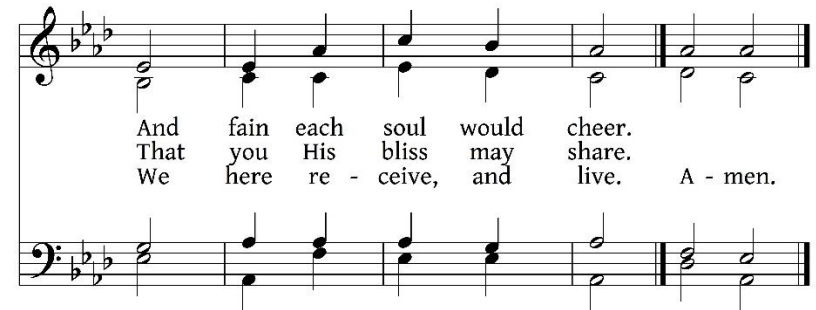
1. Come, hum - ble soul, re - ceive the food
2. Deem not that you to heav'n can rise,
3. Here we com - mune with Him who died,



Your Sa - vior of - fers here,
To meet your Sa - vior there,
Us pow'r o'er death to give,



Be - lieve, and taste that He is good,
He comes in mer - cy from the skies
The life of Him now glo - ri - fied



And fain each soul would cheer.
That you His bliss may share.
We here re - ceive, and live. A - men.

4. For 'tis His Body that we eat,
His precious Blood we drink,
To make us for His mansion meet,
And save from ruin's brink.

5. He ever lives, and only he,
In whom the Lord abides;
And here, that He in us may be,
He richest food provides.