

## 775 Before You, Lord, We Bow

CW 775



1 Be - fore you, Lord, we bow, our God who reigns a - bove and  
2 The na - tion you have blessed may well your love de - clare, from  
3 May ev - 'ry moun-tain height, each vale and for - est green, shine  
4 Earth, hear your mak - er's voice, your great Re - deem - er own; be -  
5 And when in pow'r he comes, oh, may our na - tive land from



rules the world be - low in bound-less pow'r and love. Our thanks we  
foes and fears at rest, pro - tect - ed by your care. For this bright  
in your Word's pure light and its rich fruits be seen! May ev - 'ry  
lieve, o - bey, re - joice, and wor - ship him a - lone. Cast down your  
all its rend - ing tombs send forth a glo - rious band, a count - less



bring in joy and praise, our hearts we raise to you, our King!  
day, for this fair land—gifts of your hand—our thanks we pay.  
tongue be tuned to praise and join to raise a grate - ful song.  
pride, your sin de - plore, and bow be - fore the Cru - ci - fied.  
throng, with joy to sing to heav'ns high King, sal - va - tion's song!

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In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

## Confession

CW 173

Blessed are they whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered.

**Blessed are they whose sin the Lord does not count against them.**

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

**Almighty and merciful Father, we have strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed what we have devised and desired in our hearts. We have offended you and sinned against your holy law. We have done those things that we should not have done, and we have not done those things that we should have done. Have mercy on us, Lord! Spare us, forgive us, and restore us, according to your promises in Christ Jesus.**

*Silence for meditation and reflection*

God, our merciful Father, has forgiven all our sins. He sent his Son, Jesus Christ, to be our Redeemer and Savior. Jesus paid the penalty for our guilt by his death on the cross and freed us from death by his resurrection from the grave. We have peace with God now and forever.

**Amen.**

## Lord, Have Mercy

CW 174

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.

A musical staff in G major (one flat) with a treble clef. The melody consists of quarter notes: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4. A slur covers the last three notes (C5, B4, A4).

For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.

A musical staff in G major (one flat) with a treble clef. The melody consists of quarter notes: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4. A slur covers the last three notes (C5, B4, A4).

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.

A musical staff in G major (one flat) with a treble clef. The melody consists of quarter notes: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4. A slur covers the last three notes (C5, B4, A4).

For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.

A musical staff in G major (one flat) with a treble clef. The melody consists of quarter notes: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4. A slur covers the last three notes (C5, B4, A4).

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

A - men.

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## Glory to God in the Highest

CW 176

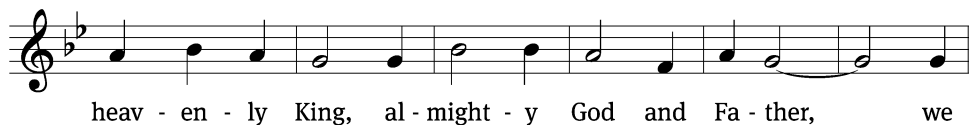
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Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his



peo - ple on earth. Lord God,



heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we



wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your



glo - ry. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and



peace to his peo - ple on earth.



Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,



Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world; have mer - cy on us. You are seat - ed at the



right hand of the Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer.



Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his



peo - ple on earth. For you a -



lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ,



with the Ho - ly Spir - it in the glo - ry of



God the Fa - ther. A - men. A - men.



Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his



peo - ple on earth.

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The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

### **Prayer of the Day**

Let us pray. O Lord our God, so govern the nations on earth and direct the affairs of this world that your church may worship you in peace and joy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

### **First Reading**

*Daniel 1:3–21*

<sup>3</sup>Then the king ordered Ashpenaz, chief of his court officials, to bring into the king's service some of the Israelites from the royal family and the nobility— <sup>4</sup>young men without any physical defect, handsome, showing aptitude for every kind of learning, well informed, quick to understand, and qualified to serve in the king's palace. He was to teach them the language and literature of the Babylonians. <sup>5</sup>The king assigned them a daily amount of food and wine from the king's table. They were to be trained for three years, and after that they were to enter the king's service. <sup>6</sup>Among those who were chosen were some from Judah: Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael and Azariah. <sup>7</sup>The chief official gave them new names: to Daniel, the name Belteshazzar; to Hananiah, Shadrach; to Mishael, Meshach; and to Azariah, Abednego. <sup>8</sup>But Daniel resolved not to defile himself with the royal food and wine, and he asked the chief official for permission not to defile himself this way. <sup>9</sup>Now God had caused the official to show favor and compassion to Daniel, <sup>10</sup>but the official told Daniel, "I am afraid of my lord the king, who has assigned your food and drink. Why should he see you looking worse than the other young men your age? The king would then have my head because of you." <sup>11</sup>Daniel then said to the guard whom the chief official had appointed over Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael and Azariah, <sup>12</sup>"Please test your servants for ten days: Give us nothing but vegetables to eat and water to drink. <sup>13</sup>Then compare our appearance with that of the young men who eat the royal food, and treat your servants in accordance with what you see." <sup>14</sup>So he agreed to this and tested them for ten days. <sup>15</sup>At the end of the ten days they looked healthier and better nourished than any of the young men who ate the royal food. <sup>16</sup>So the guard took away their choice food and the wine they were to drink and gave them vegetables instead. <sup>17</sup>To these four young men God gave knowledge and understanding of all kinds of literature and learning. And Daniel could understand visions and dreams of all kinds. <sup>18</sup>At the end of the time set by the king to bring them into his service, the chief official presented them to Nebuchadnezzar. <sup>19</sup>The king talked with them, and he found none equal to Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael and Azariah; so they entered the king's service. <sup>20</sup>In every matter of wisdom and understanding about which the king questioned them, he found them ten times better than all the magicians and enchanters in his whole kingdom. <sup>21</sup>And Daniel remained there until the first year of King Cyrus.


The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

# 96A Let the Heavens Rejoice

Psalm 96A

## Refrain



Let the heav-ens re-joice, let the earth be glad, let all that is  
in them sing to the LORD. Let the heav-ens re-joice, let the  
earth be glad, let all that is in them sing to the LORD.

## Tone



Sing to the LORD a / new song;  
sing to the LORD, / all the earth.  
Sing to the LORD, / praise his name;  
proclaim his salvation day / after day.  
Declare his glory among the / nations,  
his marvelous deeds among all / peoples.  
Ascribe to the LORD the glory / due his name;  
bring an offering and come in- / to his courts. *Refrain*  
Let all creation rejoice before the LORD, / for he comes,  
he comes to / judge the earth.  
He will judge the world in / righteousness  
and the peoples in his / faithfulness.  
**Glory be to the Father and / to the Son  
and to the Holy / Spirit,  
as it was in the be- / ginning,  
is now, and will be forever. / Amen. *Refrain***

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## Second Reading

Romans 13:1-7

<sup>1</sup>Let everyone be subject to the governing authorities, for there is no authority except that which God has established. The authorities that exist have been established by God. <sup>2</sup>Consequently, whoever rebels against the authority is rebelling against what God has instituted, and those who do so will bring judgment on themselves. <sup>3</sup>For rulers hold no terror for those who do right, but for those who do wrong. Do you want to be free from fear of the one in authority? Then do what is right and you will be commended. <sup>4</sup>For the one in authority is God's servant for your good. But if you do wrong, be afraid, for rulers do not bear the sword for no reason. They are God's servants, agents of wrath to bring punishment on the wrongdoer. <sup>5</sup>Therefore, it is necessary to submit to the authorities, not only because of possible punishment but also as a matter of conscience. <sup>6</sup>This is also why you pay taxes, for the authorities are God's servants, who give their full time to governing. <sup>7</sup>Give to everyone what you owe them: If you owe taxes, pay taxes; if revenue, then revenue; if respect, then respect; if honor, then honor.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

## Gospel Acclamation

Colossians 2:10



Refrain

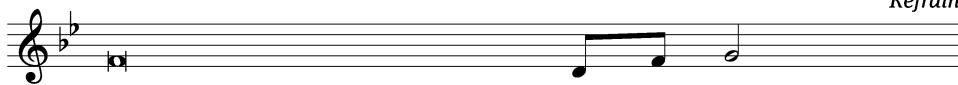


Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Tone



In Christ you have been brought to full - ness.



He is the head over every power and au - thor - i - ty.

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## Gospel

Matthew 22:15-22

<sup>15</sup>Then the Pharisees went out and laid plans to trap him in his words. <sup>16</sup>They sent their disciples to him along with the Herodians. "Teacher," they said, "we know that you are a man of integrity and that you teach the way of God in accordance with the truth. You aren't swayed by others, because you pay no attention to who they are. <sup>17</sup>Tell us then, what is your opinion?"

Is it right to pay the imperial tax to Caesar or not?" <sup>18</sup>But Jesus, knowing their evil intent, said, "You hypocrites, why are you trying to trap me? <sup>19</sup>Show me the coin used for paying the tax." They brought him a denarius, <sup>20</sup>and he asked them, "Whose image is this? And whose inscription?" <sup>21</sup>"Caesar's," they replied. Then he said to them, "So give back to Caesar what is Caesar's, and to God what is God's." <sup>22</sup>When they heard this, they were amazed. So they left him and went away.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

### 619 Praise the Almighty; My Soul, Adore Him

CW 619



1 Praise the Al - might - y; my soul, a - dore him!  
 2 Pen - i - tent sin - ners, for mer - cy cry - ing,  
 3 Trust not in princ - es, they are but mor - tal;  
 4 Praise, all you peo - ple, the name so ho - ly



Yes, I will laud him un - til death. With songs and  
 par - don and peace from him ob - tain; ev - er the  
 earth-born they are and soon de - cay. Vain are their  
 of him who does such won-drous things! All that has



an - thems I'll come be - fore him as long as  
 wants of the poor sup - ply - ing, their faith - ful  
 coun - sels at life's last por - tal when the dark  
 be - ing, to praise him sole - ly, with hap - py



he al - lows me breath. From him my life and  
 God he will re - main. He helps his chil - dren  
 grave will claim its prey. Since, then, no one can  
 heart its a - men sings! Chil - dren of God, with





all things came; bless, O my soul, his ho - ly  
 in dis - tress, the wid - ows and the fa - ther -  
 help af - ford, trust on - ly Christ, our God and  
 an - gel host praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly



name. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 less. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 Lord. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 Ghost! Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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## Sermon

### Nicene Creed

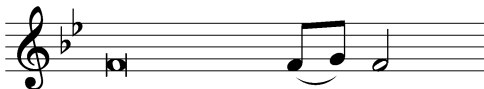
We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again 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. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## Offering

### The Sacrament

### Preface

CW 183



The Lord be with you.



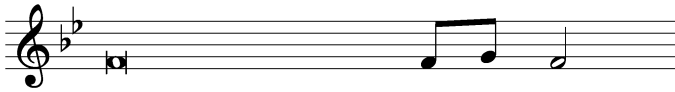
And al - so with you.



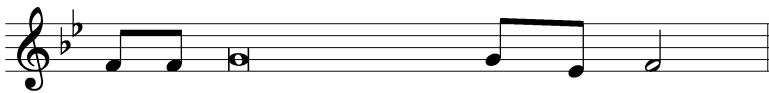
Lift up your hearts.



We lift them up to the Lord.



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



It is right to give him thanks and praise.

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## Holy, Holy, Holy

CW 184



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er,



God of might. Heav - en 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!

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### Prayer of Thanksgiving

Lord God, you are worthy to receive thanks and praise from all people. You created the world and all who live in it, and in your mercy you saved us. We give thanks to you for the grace of your Son, Jesus Christ. Though in very nature God, he took the nature of a servant and became obedient to death, even death on a cross. He offered himself as a sacrifice for sin and redeemed us from its curse and penalty. He rescued us from the terrors of death and restored eternal life with you. He conquered our enemies and gained for us the kingdom of grace and glory. Bless us as we receive your Son’s body and blood, and lead us to remember his suffering, death, and resurrection. Forgive our sins and fill us with the hope of new life in heaven. Hear our praise and receive our thanks as we worship you—the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

### 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.**

### Words of Institution

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take and eat; this is my  $\dagger$  body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.” Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, “Drink from it, all of you; this is my  $\dagger$  blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **Amen.**

# Jesus, Lamb of God

CW 186

Je - sus, Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.  
Je - sus, Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.  
Je - sus, Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; grant us your peace.

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## Distribution

### 671 Your Body, Given for Me, O Savior

CW 671

1 Your bod - y, giv'n for me, O Sav - ior, your blood, which  
2 With you, Lord, I am now u - nit - ed; I live in  
3 Who can con-demn me now? For sure - ly the Lord is  
4 Tho' death may threat - en with dis - as - ter, it can - not  
5 Thus ev - 'ry pain is dis - ap - pear-ing; one taste my



you for me have shed— these are my life and strength for-  
you and you in me. In you my soul will be de-  
near, who jus - ti - fies. No hell I fear, and thus se -  
rob me of my cheer, for he who is of death the  
heart has come to know— of Je - sus and his love en -



ev - er; by them my hun - gry soul is fed.  
light - ed, as joys in - crease and sor - rows flee.  
cure - ly with Je - sus I to heav - en rise.  
mas - ter with help and strength is al - ways near.  
dear - ing, the taste that sweet - ens ev - 'ry woe.



*Refrain*

O Je - sus, may your bod - y and your blood



be for my soul the high - est good.

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Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;  
**his mercy endures forever.**

Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup,  
**we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.**

We give you thanks, O Lord, for the foretaste of the heavenly banquet you have given us in this Sacrament. Through this gift you have fed our faith, nourished our hope, and strengthened our love. By your Spirit, help us to live as your holy people until that day when you will receive us as your guests at the wedding supper of the Lamb, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

### **Blessing**

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

Amen.

## 774 God Bless Our Native Land

CW 774



1 God bless our na - tive land; firm may she ev - er stand  
2 For her our prayers shall rise to God a - bove the skies;



thro' storm and night! When the wild tem - pests rave, Rul - er of  
on him we wait. Thou who art ev - er nigh, guard - ing with



wind and wave, do thou our coun - try save by thy great might.  
watch - ful eye, to thee a - loud we cry: God save the state!

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