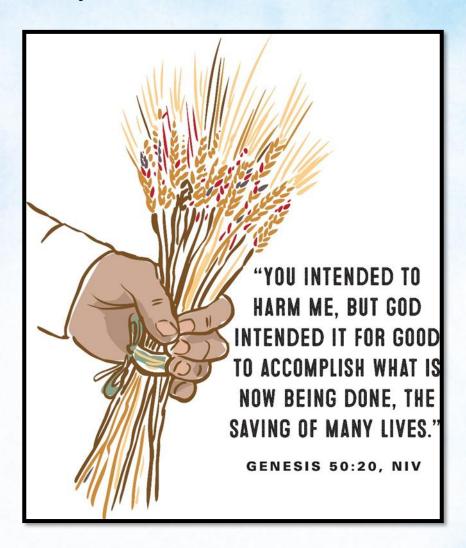
Trinity Lutheran Church September 22, 2024



- * = Please stand if able
 - = Please be seated
- Prelude By Roxanne Groff

- Office of the Acolyte and Ringing of the Bell
- Welcome

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

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation.

C: Amen.

P: Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

Water may be poured into the font as the presiding minister gives thanks.

P: We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family. Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom.

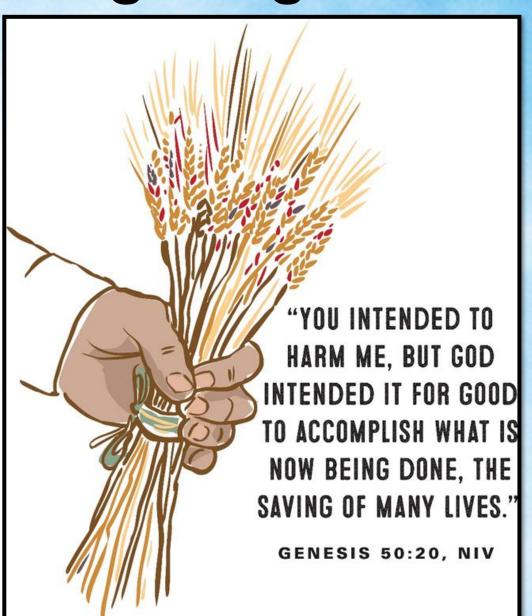
P: At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons, making us heirs of your promise and servants of all. We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ.

P: Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C: Amen.

* Gathering Song

"Be Thou My Vision" ELW 793



1 Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that thou art: thou my best thought both by day and by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

* "Be Thou My Vision"

ELW 793

2 Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word; I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord. Thou my soul's shelter, and thou my high tow'r, raise thou me heav'nward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.

ELW 793

3 Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise, thou mine inheritance, now and always: thou and thou only, the first in my heart, great God of heaven, my treasure thou art.

4 Light of my soul, after victory won, may I reach heaven's joys, O heaven's Sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

* APOSTOLIC GREETING

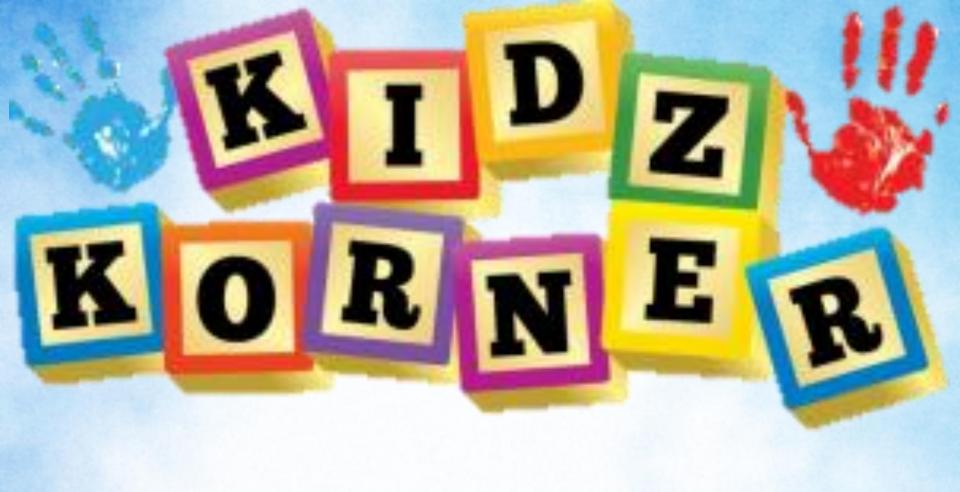
P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

* PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray... Holy God, even in the most dire situations, your love and guidance shine through, sustaining us. Teach us to rely on you, and to know that you are always with us.

C: Amen



Scripture Reading

R: Our scripture reading for today is from the book of Genesis, chapters 37 and 50.

C: Glory to you O' Lord! (Spoken)

* Genesis 37:3-8, 17b-22, 26-34; 50:15-21

³Now Israel loved Joseph more than any other of his children, because he was the son of his old age; and he had made him a long robe with sleeves. ⁴But when his brothers saw that their father loved him more than all his brothers, they hated him, and could not speak peaceably to him.

⁵Once Joseph had a dream, and when he told it to his brothers, they hated him

* Genesis 37:3-8, 17b-22, 26-34; 50:15-21 even more. ⁶He said to them, "Listen to this dream that I dreamed. ⁷There we were, binding sheaves in the field. Suddenly my sheaf rose and stood upright; then your sheaves gathered around it, and bowed down to my sheaf." 8His brothers said to him, "Are you indeed to reign over us? Are you indeed to have dominion over us?" So they hated him even more because of his dreams and his words.

* Genesis 37:3-8, 17b-22, 26-34; 50:15-21 [Some time later, Joseph sought after his brothers.]

¹⁷The man said, "They have gone away, for I heard them say, 'Let us go to Dothan." So Joseph went after his brothers, and found them at Dothan. ¹⁸They saw him from a distance, and before he came near to them, they conspired to kill him. 19They said to one another, "Here comes this dreamer.

* Genesis 37:3-8, 17b-22, 26-34; 50:15-21 ²⁰Come now, let us kill him and throw him into one of the pits; then we shall say that a wild animal has devoured him, and we shall see what will become of his dreams." 21 But when Reuben heard it, he delivered him out of their hands, saying, "Let us not take his life." ²²Reuben said to them, "Shed no blood; throw him into this pit here in the wilderness, but lay no hand on him" -

* Genesis 37:3-8, 17b-22, 26-34; 50:15-21 that he might rescue him out of their hand and restore him to his father. ²⁶Then Judah said to his brothers, "What profit is it if we kill our brother and conceal his blood? 27Come, let us sell him to the Ishmaelites, and not lay our hands on him, for he is our brother, our own flesh." And his brothers agreed. 28When some Midianite traders passed by, they drew Joseph up, lifting

* Genesis 37:3-8, 17b-22, 26-34; 50:15-21 him out of the pit, and sold him to the Ishmaelites for twenty pieces of silver. And they took Joseph to Egypt. 29When Reuben returned to the pit and saw that Joseph was not in the pit, he tore his clothes. 30He returned to his brothers, and said, "The boy is gone; and I, where can I turn?" 31Then they took Joseph's robe, slaughtered a goat, and dipped the

* Genesis 37:3-8, 17b-22, 26-34; 50:15-21 robe in the blood. 32They had the long robe with sleeves taken to their father, and they said, "This we have found; see now whether it is your son's robe or not." 33He recognized it, and said, "It is my son's robe! A wild animal has devoured him; Joseph is without doubt torn to pieces." 34Then Jacob tore his garments, and put sackcloth on his loins, and mourned for his son many days.

* Genesis 37:3-8, 17b-22, 26-34; 50:15-21 [Many years passed, and Israel died an old man.]

¹⁵Realizing that their father was dead, Joseph's brothers said, "What if Joseph still bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong that we did to him?" 16So they approached Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this instruction before he died, ¹⁷ 'Say to Joseph: I beg you,

* Genesis 37:3-8, 17b-22, 26-34; 50:15-21 forgive the crime of your brothers and the wrong they did in harming you.' Now therefore please forgive the crime of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. ¹⁸Then his brothers also wept, fell down before him, and said, "We are here as your slaves." 19 But Joseph said to them, "Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God? 20 Even though you

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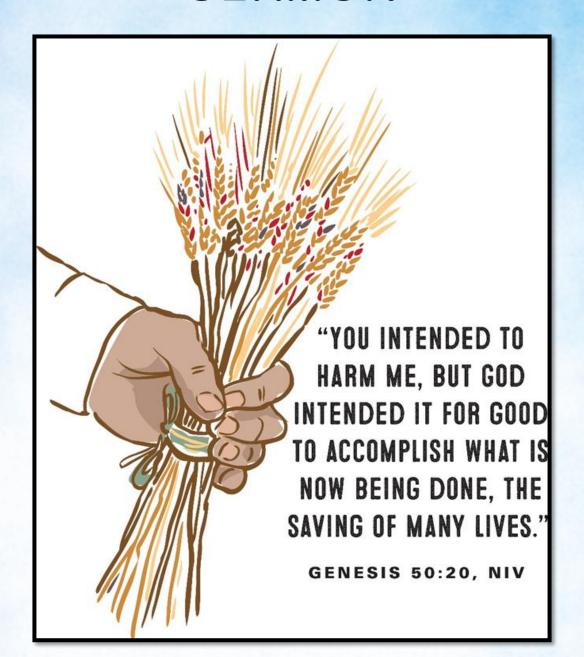
intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today. ²¹So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones." In this way he reassured them, speaking kindly to them.

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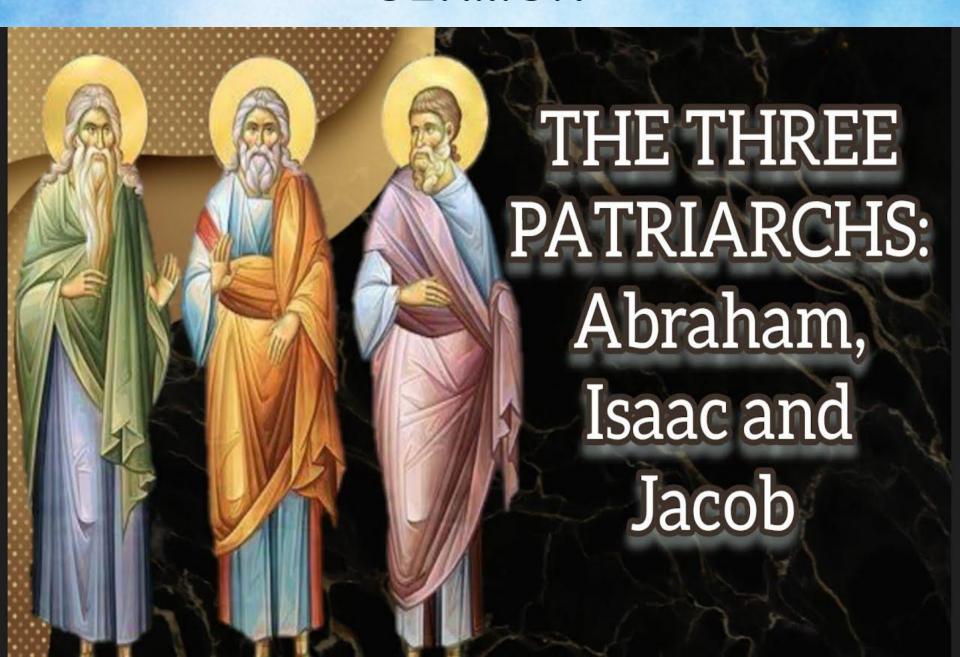
R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ (Spoken)

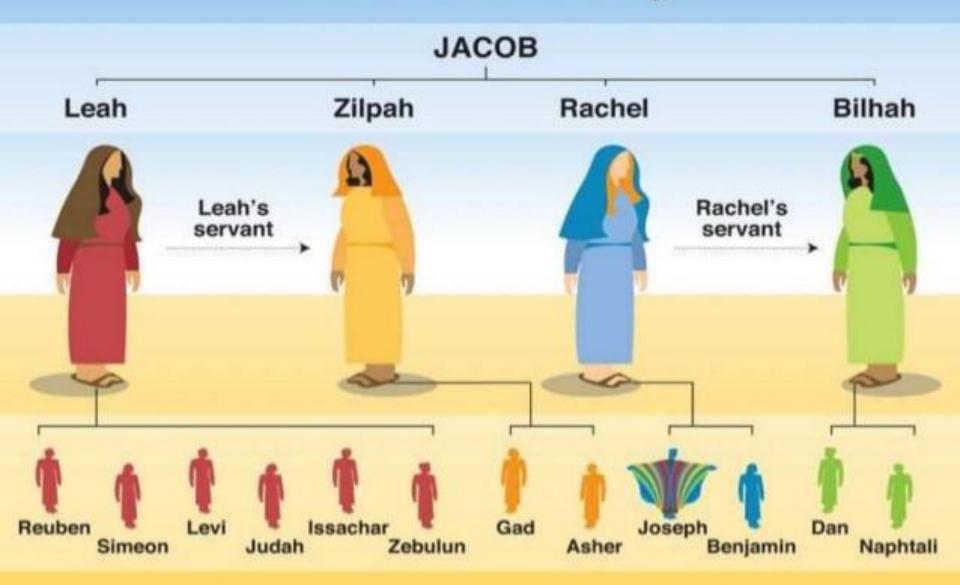
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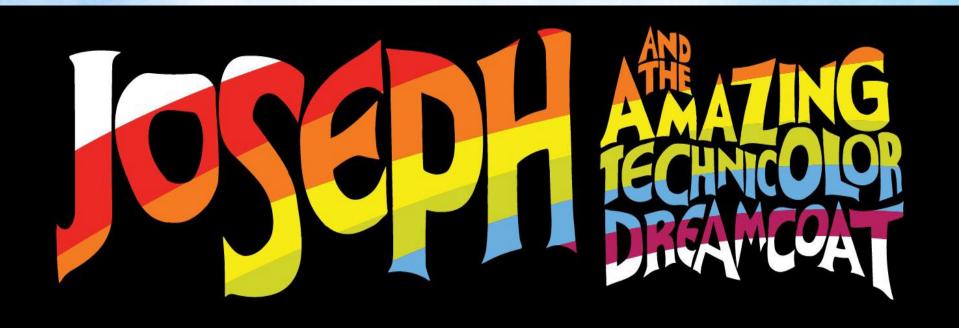
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Jacob's Family



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AND WE KNOW THAT GOD WORKS

ALL THINGS TOGETHER FOR THE

GOOD OF THOSE WHO LOVE HIM,

WHO ARE CALLED ACCORDING TO

HIS PURPOSE.

- ROMANS 8:28



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Joseph Forgives His Brothers

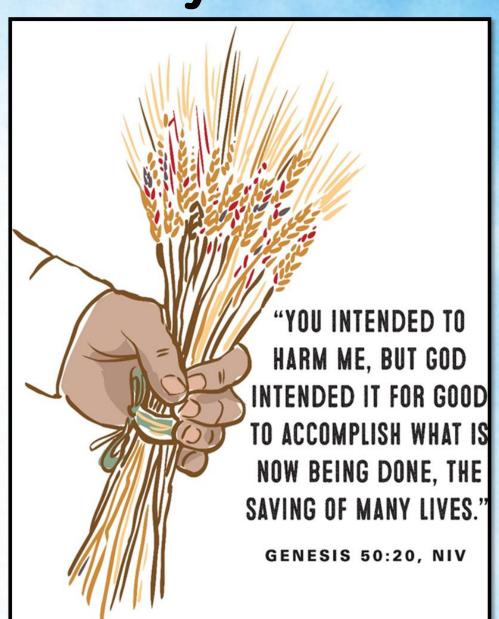


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Decide to Forgive



Hymn of the Day

"Lord of All Hopefulness" LBW 469



1 Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy, whose trust, ever child-like, no cares could destroy: be there at our waking, and give us, we pray, your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.

2 Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith, whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe: be there at our labors, and give us, we pray, your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.

3 Lord of all kindliness, Lord of all grace, your hands swift to welcome, your arms to embrace: be there at our homing, and give us, we pray, your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.

4 Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm, whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm: be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray, your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

* APOSTLE'S CREED

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

- * APOSTLE'S CREED
- C: 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.

* APOSTLE'S CREED

C: He descended into hell. 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.

* APOSTLE'S CREED

C: 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.

* PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Each petition will end with the words,

A: God in your mercy,

The congregation will respond with:

C: Hear our prayer.

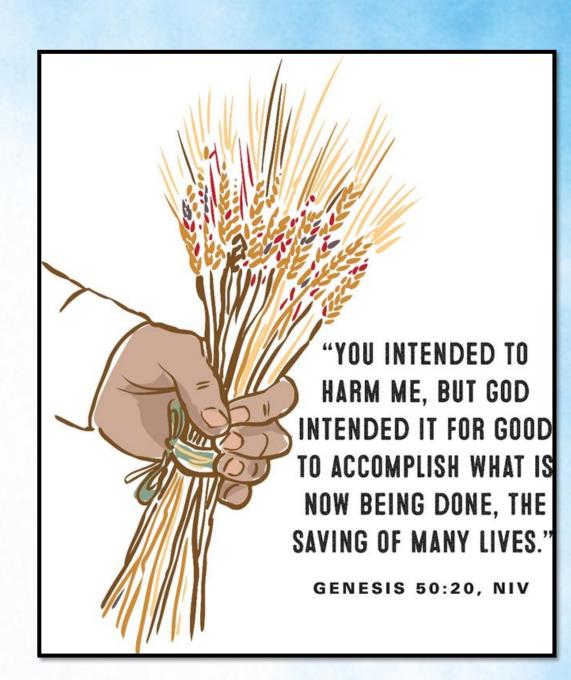
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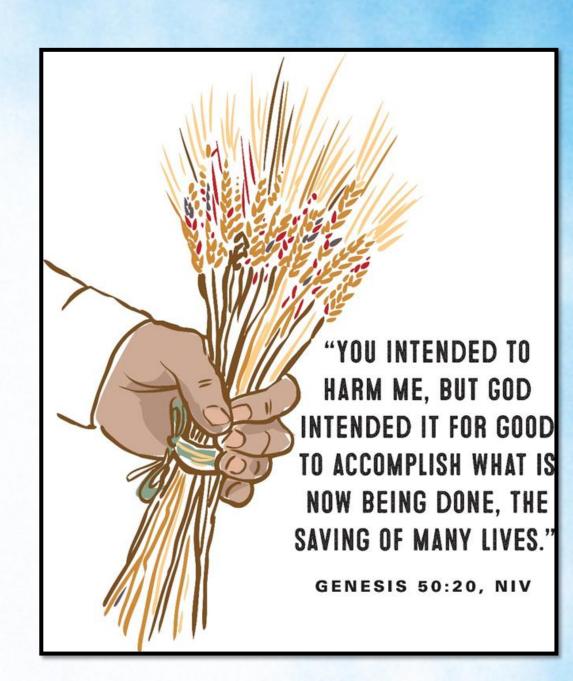
P: These and all our prayers we lift up to you, O God.

C: Amen.

OFFERING



OFFERING PRAYER



* THE LORD'S PRAYER

C: 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.

* THE LORD'S PRAYER

C: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

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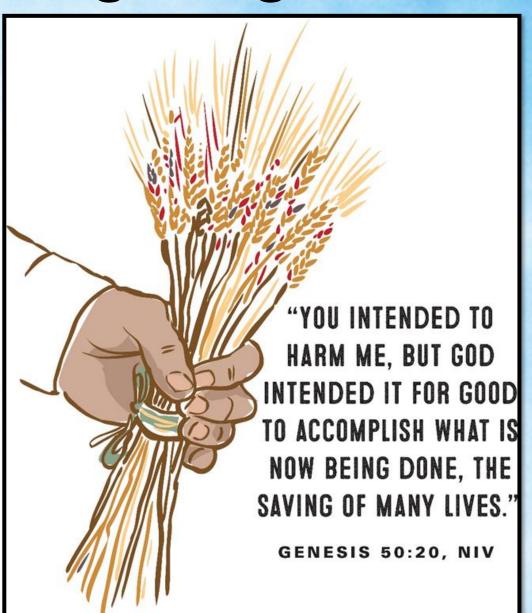
* SENDING BLESSING

P: God all mighty, God most merciful bless you, keep you, + and give you peace.

C: Amen.

* Sending Song

"Precious Lord, Take My Hand" ELW 773



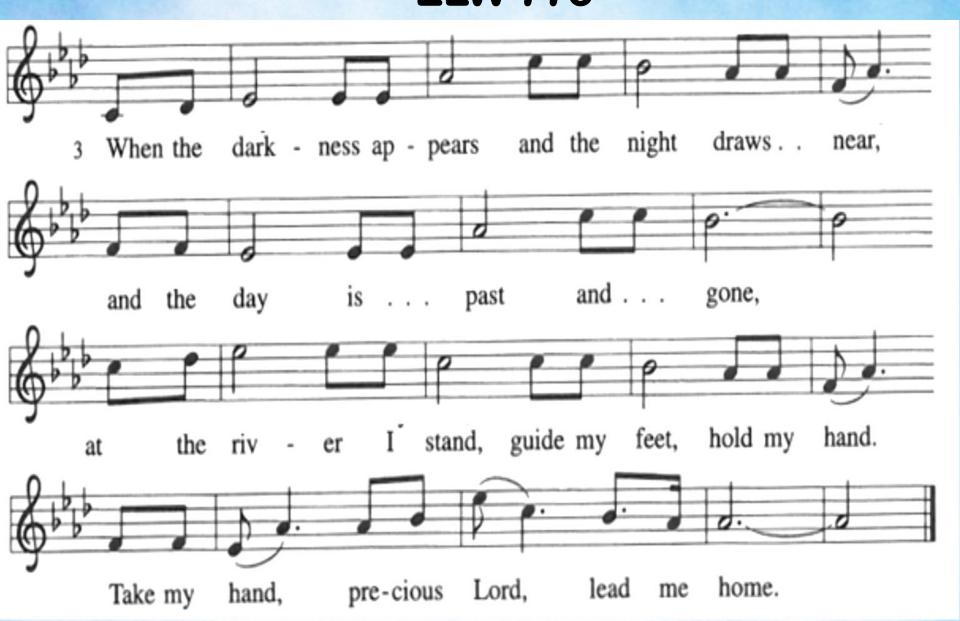
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* DISMISSAL

P: ... Depart in Christ's Love.

C: Seeking, welcoming, and serving all. Amen!

POSTLUDE

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