

Trinity
Evangelical
Lutheran Church
August 18, 2024

WELCOME!



"May your
GOD,
whom you
SERVE
continually,
RESCUE
YOU!"

DANIEL 6:16, NIV

*** = Please stand if able**

• = Please be seated

- **Prelude** *By Pam Sherman*
- **Office of the Acolyte and Ringing of the Bell**
- **Welcome**

* **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

*All may make the sign of the cross,
the sign marked at baptism...*

**L: We confess our sins before God and
one another.**

Pause for silence and reflection.

L: Merciful and Holy God,

*** CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

C: You have called us to follow you in the way of justice, mercy, lovingkindness, and care for all the earth. In our human frailty we have turned away, letting our fears drive us to actions or inactions that cause harm to ourselves, our neighbors, and our world.

*** CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

C: Draw us back into your loving arms. Wipe away our fears and our mistakes, that with clean hearts we might live to serve you and all of creation.

* **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

L: Hear this word of hope, beloved of God. Our God is rich in mercy and abundant in love and forgives you all your sins ✝ for the sake of Jesus Christ, who lives within and among us, and invites us to have life abundantly.

C: Amen.

* **Gathering
Song**

**“Lord, Speak to
Us, That We May
Speak”**

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**1 Lord, speak to us,
that we may speak
in living echoes
of your tone;
as you have sought,
so let us seek
your straying children,
lost and lone.**

**2 Oh, lead us, Lord,
that we may lead
the wand'ring
and the wav'ring feet;
oh, feed us, Lord,
that we may feed
your hung'ring ones
with manna sweet.**

**3 Oh, teach us, Lord,
that we may teach
the precious truths
which you impart;
and wing our words,
that they may reach
the hidden depths
of many a heart.**

**4 Oh, fill us with
your fullness, Lord,
until our very
hearts o'erflow
in kindling thought
and glowing word,
your love to tell,
your praise to show.**

* **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.

* KYRIE

A In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.

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

C Lord, have mer - cy.

* KYRIE



A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,

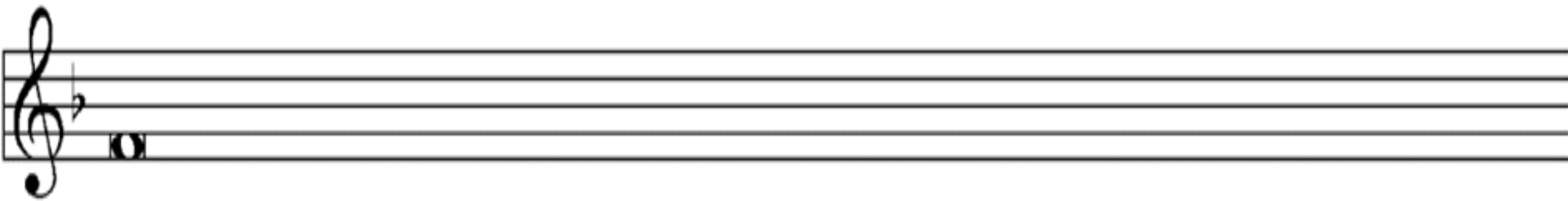


and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



B Lord, have mer - cy.

* KYRIE



A For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.

C A - men

*** HYMN OF PRAISE**

**Glory be to God in heaven;
peace, goodwill to all the earth.
Mighty God of all creation,
Father of surpassing worth:
we exalt you, we adore you,
we lift high our thanks and praise.
Saints and angels bow before you;
here on earth our songs we raise.**

*** HYMN OF PRAISE**

**Glory be to Christ forever,
Lamb of God and Lord of love.
Son of God and gracious Savior,
you have come from heav'n above;
on the cross you died to save us;
now you reign at God's right hand.
Hear our prayer; restore, forgive
us; in your promise firm we stand.**

*** HYMN OF PRAISE**

**Holy One we now acclaim you;
Lord alone, to you we call;
Holy One in faith we name you,
God most high, yet near to all:
Jesus Christ, with God the Spirit,
in the Father's splendor bright.
For the peace that we inherit,
glory be to God on high!**

* **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: Eternal and holy God, the world calls us to worship money, celebrity, security, media, and so many things that are not you and do not come from you. Make us as steadfast in our faith as Daniel, willing to sacrifice our comforts in favor of your love—that which makes life truly meaningful. In Jesus' name we pray.

C: Amen

**KIDZ
KORNERS**

The image features the text "KIDZ KORNERS" arranged in two rows. The top row contains the letters "K", "I", "D", and "Z" on blocks with purple, red, yellow, and green borders respectively. The bottom row contains the letters "K", "O", "R", "N", "E", and "R" on blocks with blue, orange, purple, purple, yellow, and blue borders respectively. The background is light blue with a faint blue handprint on the left and a red handprint on the right.

• Scripture Reading

R: Our scripture reading for today is from Daniel, chapter 6.

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

*** Daniel 6:6-27**

⁶So the presidents and satraps conspired and came to the king and said to him, “O King Darius, live forever! ⁷All the presidents of the kingdom, the prefects and the satraps, the counselors and the governors are agreed that the king should establish an ordinance and enforce an interdict, that whoever prays to anyone, divine or human, for thirty days, except to

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you, O king, shall be thrown into a den of lions. ⁸Now, O king, establish the interdict and sign the document, so that it cannot be changed, according to the law of the Medes and the Persians, which cannot be revoked.”⁹Therefore King Darius signed the document and interdict. ¹⁰Although Daniel knew that the document had been signed, he continued to go to his

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house, which had windows in its upper room open toward Jerusalem, and to get down on his knees three times a day to pray to his God and praise him, just as he had done previously.

¹¹The conspirators came and found Daniel praying and seeking mercy before his God. ¹²Then they approached the king and said concerning the interdict, “O king! Did

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you not sign an interdict, that anyone who prays to anyone, divine or human, within thirty days except to you, O king, shall be thrown into a den of lions?” The king answered, “The thing stands fast, according to the law of the Medes and Persians, which cannot be revoked.” ¹³Then they responded to the king, “Daniel, one of the exiles from Judah, pays no attention to you, O

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king, or to the interdict you have signed, but he is saying his prayers three times a day.”¹⁴ When the king heard the charge, he was very much distressed. He was determined to save Daniel, and until the sun went down he made every effort to rescue him.

¹⁵ Then the conspirators came to the king and said to him, “Know, O king, that it is a law of the Medes and

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Persians that no interdiction or ordinance that the king establishes can be changed.”¹⁶ Then the king gave the command, and Daniel was brought and thrown into the den of lions. The king said to Daniel, “May your God, whom you faithfully serve, deliver you!”¹⁷ A stone was brought and laid on the mouth of the den, and the king sealed it with his own signet and with the

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signet of his lords, so that nothing might be changed concerning Daniel.

¹⁸Then the king went to his palace and spent the night fasting; no food was brought to him, and sleep fled from him. ¹⁹Then, at break of day, the king got up and hurried to the den of lions.

²⁰When he came near the den where Daniel was, he cried out anxiously to Daniel, “O Daniel, servant of the living

*** Daniel 6:6-27**

God, has your God whom you faithfully serve been able to deliver you from the lions?”²¹ Daniel then said to the king, “O king, live forever!²² My God sent his angel and shut the lions’ mouths so that they would not hurt me, because I was found blameless before him; and also before you, O king, I have done no wrong.”²³ Then the king was exceedingly glad and commanded that

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Daniel be taken up out of the den. So Daniel was taken up out of the den, and no kind of harm was found on him, because he had trusted in his God.

²⁴The king gave a command, and those who had accused Daniel were brought and thrown into the den of lions—they, their children, and their wives. Before they reached the bottom of the den the lions overpowered them and broke all

*** Daniel 6:6-27**

their bones in pieces.

²⁵Then King Darius wrote to all peoples and nations of every language throughout the whole world: “May you have abundant prosperity! ²⁶I make a decree, that in all my royal dominion people should tremble and fear before the God of Daniel: For he is the living God, enduring forever.

*** Daniel 6:6-27**

His kingdom shall never be destroyed, and his dominion has no end. ²⁷He delivers and rescues, he works signs and wonders in heaven and on earth; for he has saved Daniel from the power of the lions.”.

* Daniel 6:6-27

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ
(Spoken)

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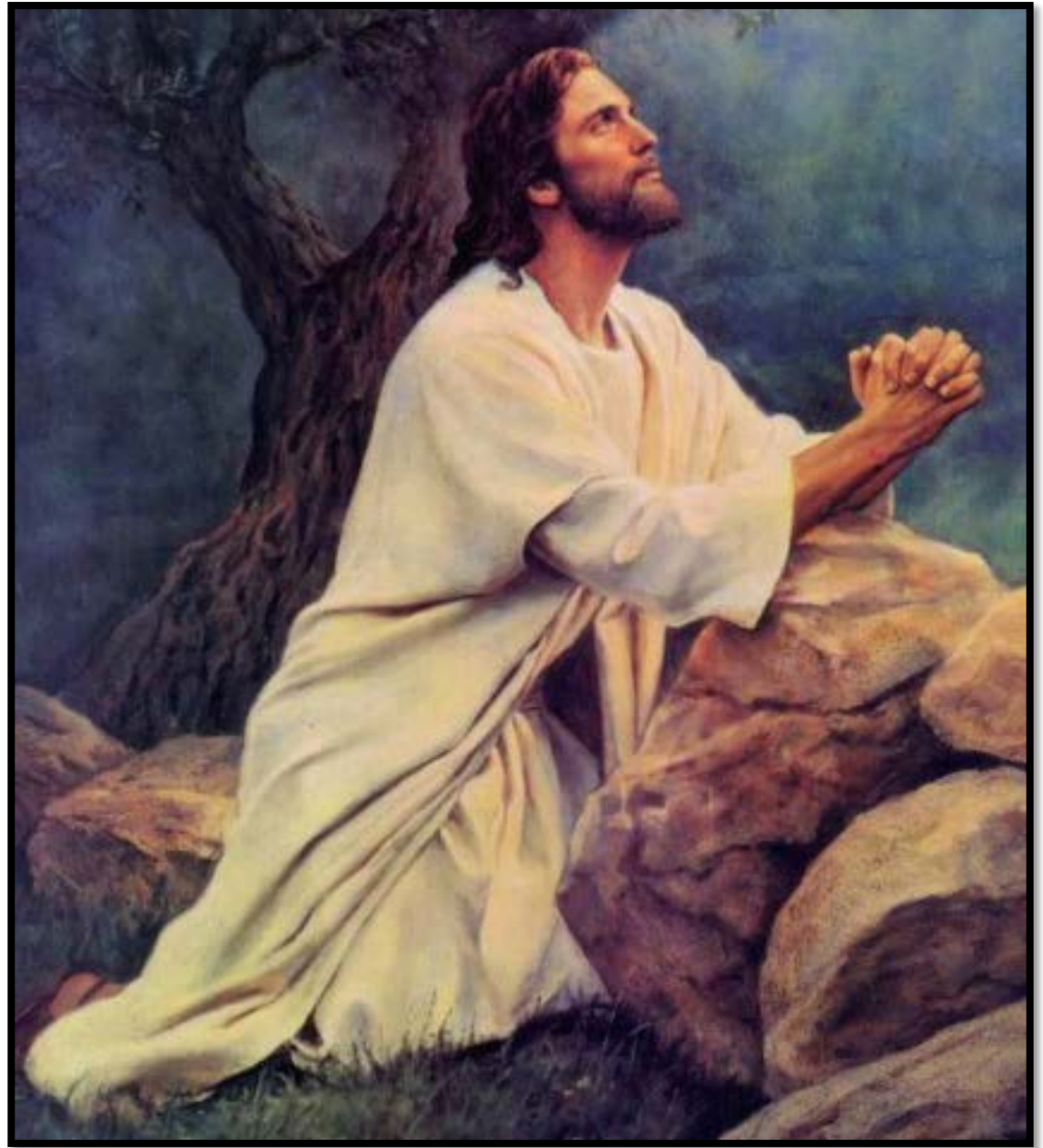
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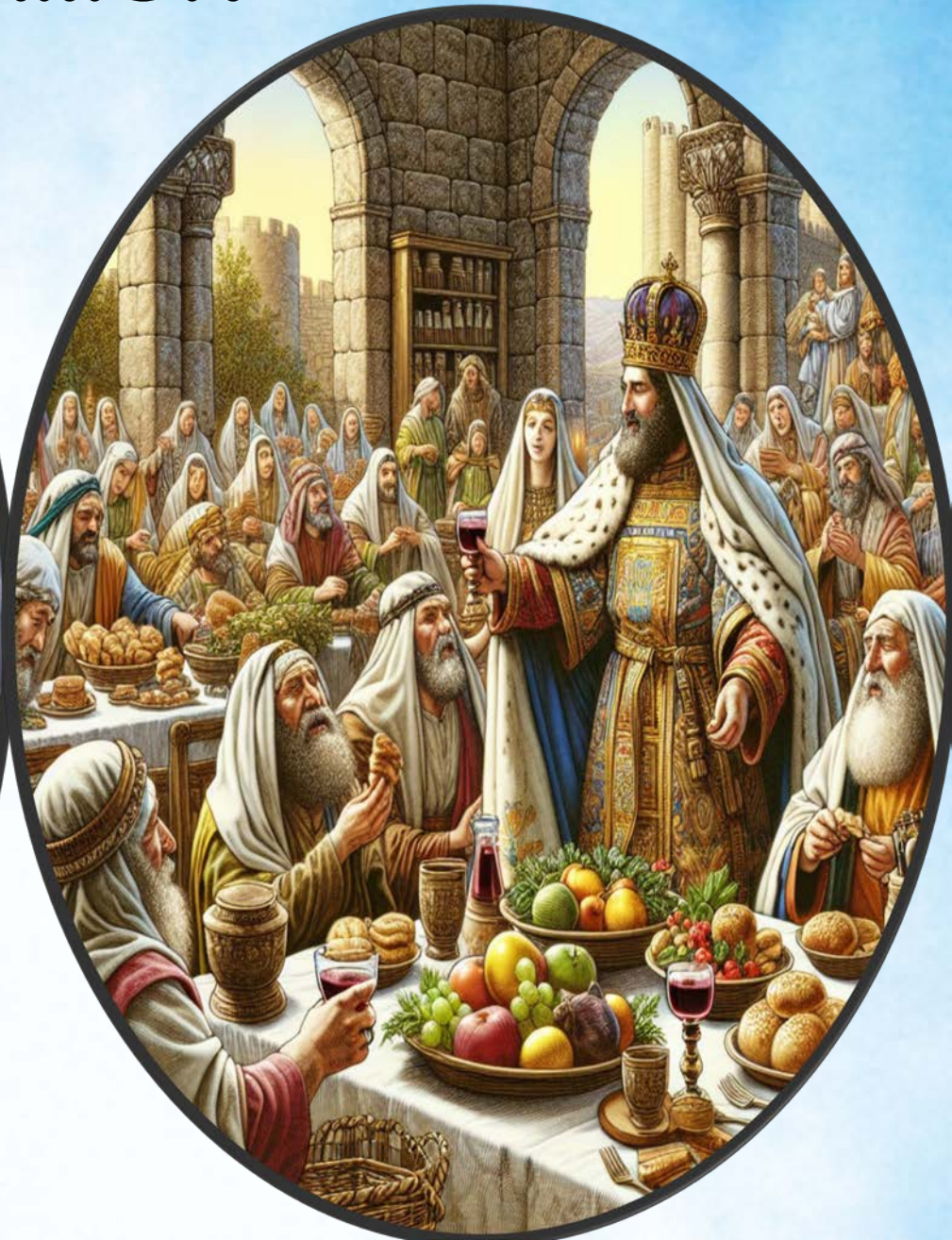
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10,000 cubits. They must not sell or exchange any of it. This is the best of the land and must not pass into other hands, because it is holy to the LORD.

15¹⁵ The remaining area, 5,000 cubits wide and 25,000 cubits long, will be for the common use of the city, for houses and for pastureland. The city will be in the center of it and will have these measurements: the north side 4,500 cubits, the south side 4,500 cubits, the east side 4,500 cubits, and the west side 4,500 cubits. 17¹⁷ The pastureland for the city will be 250 cubits on the north, 250 cubits on the south, 250 cubits on the east, and 250 cubits on the west. 18¹⁸ What remains of the area, bordering on the sacred portion and running the length of it, will be 10,000 cubits on the east side and 10,000 cubits on the west side. Its produce will supply food for the workers of the city. 19¹⁹ The workers from the city who farm it will come from all the tribes of Israel. 20²⁰ The entire portion will be a square, 25,000 cubits on each side. As a special gift you will set aside the sacred portion, along with the property of the city.

21²¹ What remains on both sides of the area formed by the sacred portion and the city property will belong to the prince. It will extend eastward from the 25,000 cubits of the sacred portion to the eastern border and westward from the 25,000 cubits to the western border. Both these areas running the length of the tribal portions will belong to the prince, and the sacred portion with the temple sanctuary will be in the center of them. 22²² So the property of the Levites and the property of the city will lie in the center of the area that belongs to the prince. The area belonging to the prince will lie between the border of Judah and the border of Benjamin.

The Gates of the City

30³⁰ These will be the exits of the city: Beginning on the north side, which is 4,500 cubits long, the gates of the city will be named after the tribes of Israel. The three gates on the north side will be the gate of Reuben, the gate of Judah and the gate of Levi.

32³² On the east side, which is 4,500 cubits

of Simeon, the gate of Issachar and the gate of Zebulun.

34³⁴ On the west side, which is 4,500 cubits long, will be three gates: the gate of Gad, the gate of Asher and the gate of Naphtali.

35³⁵ The distance all around will be 18,000 cubits.

“And the name of the city from that time on will be:

THE LORD IS THERE.”

Daniel

Daniel's Training in Babylon

1¹ In the third year of the reign of Jehoiakim king of Judah, Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon came to Jerusalem and besieged it. 2² And the Lord delivered Jehoiakim king of Judah into his hand, along with some of the articles from the temple of God. These he carried off to the temple of his god in Babylonia^a and put in the treasure house of his god.

3³ Then the king ordered Ashpenaz, chief of his court officials, to bring in some of the Israelites from the royal family and the nobility— 4⁴ 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.^b 5⁵ The king assigned them a daily amount of food and wine from the king's table. They were to be trained for three

men your age? The king would then lift my head because of you.”

11¹¹ Daniel then said to the guard who the chief official had appointed over Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael and Azariah, 12¹² “Please test your servants for ten days: Give us nothing but vegetables to eat and water to drink. 13¹³ Then compare our appearance with that of the young men who eat the royal food, and treat your servants according to what you see.” 14¹⁴ The guard agreed to this and tested them for ten days.

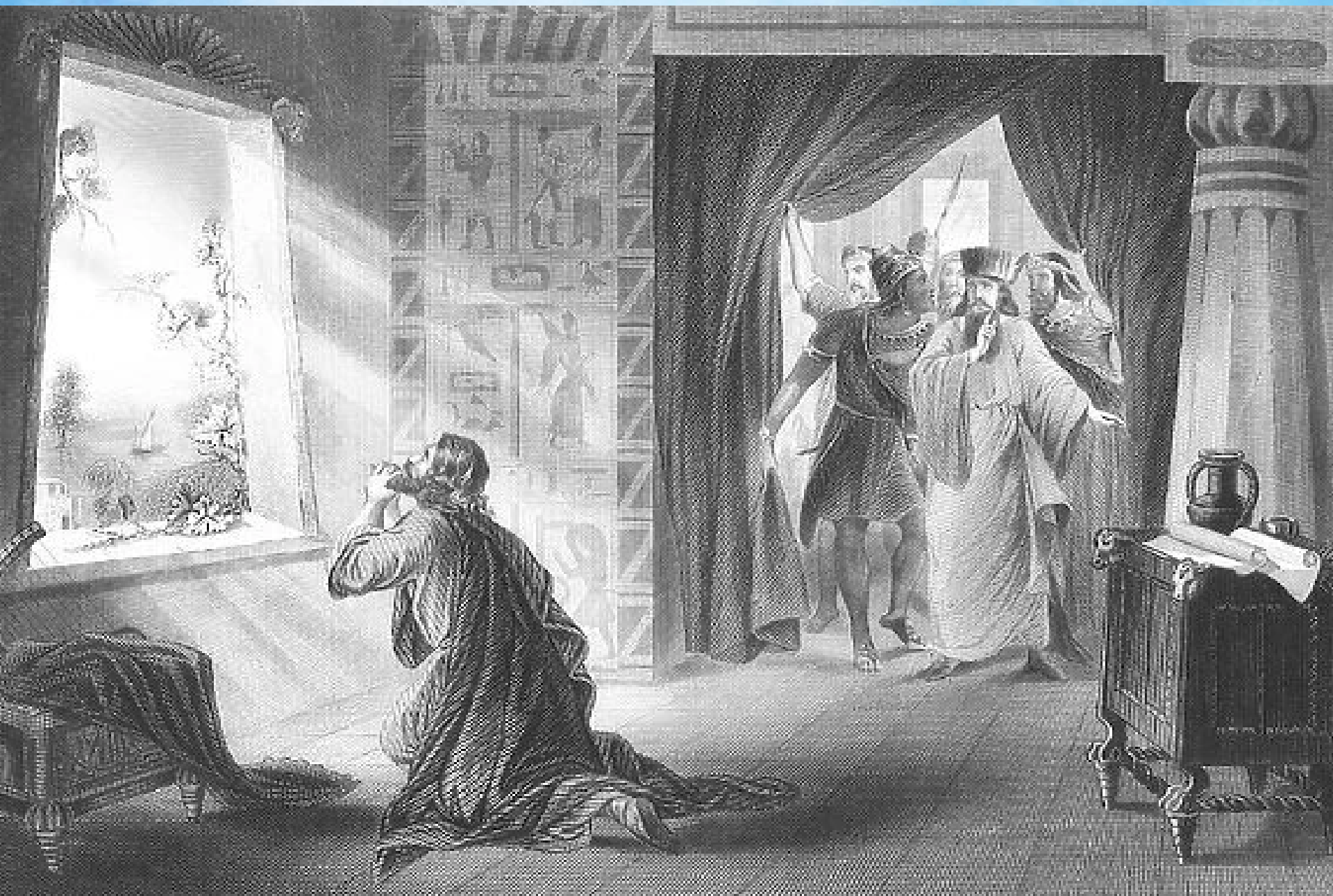
15¹⁵ At the end of ten days they looked better nourished and healthier than the young men who ate the royal food. 16¹⁶ So the guard took away their choice food and the wine they were to drink and gave them vegetables instead.

17¹⁷ 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.

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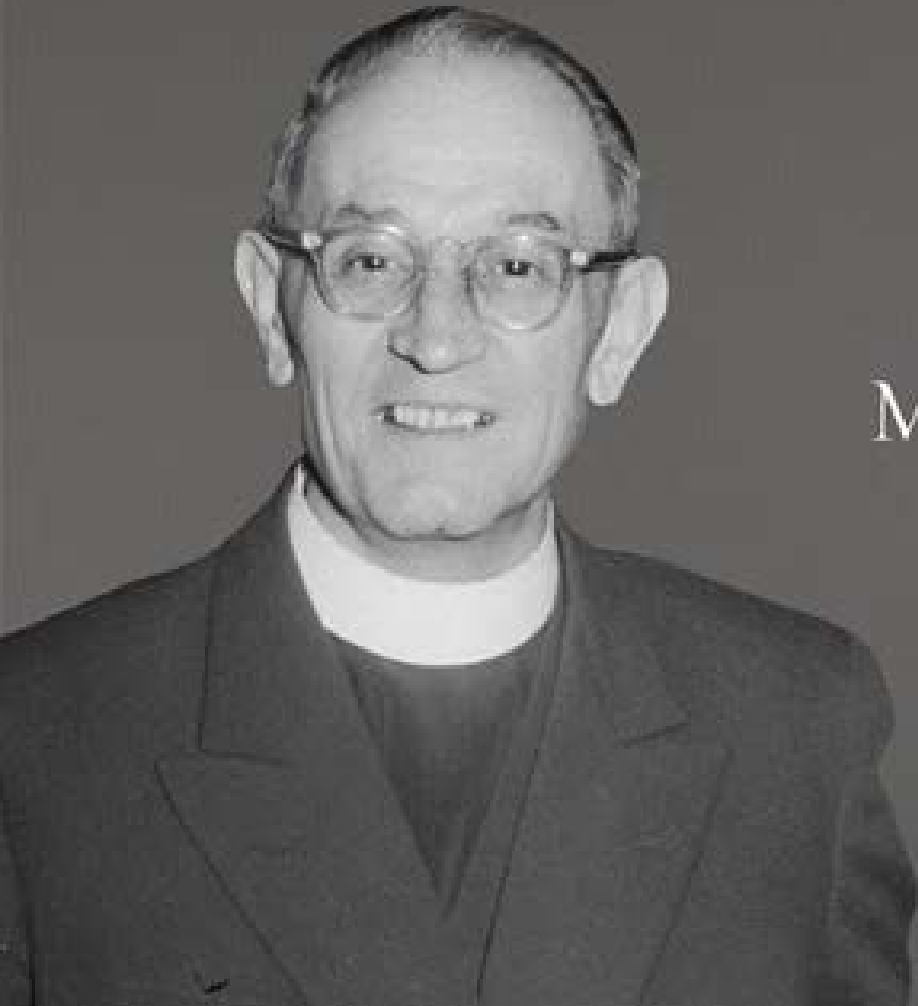




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MARTIN NIEMÖLLER

1892-1984

Then they came for me...



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*I am a disciple
of Jesus Christ.*

* **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 of mercy,

The congregation will respond with:

C: We lift our prayers to you.

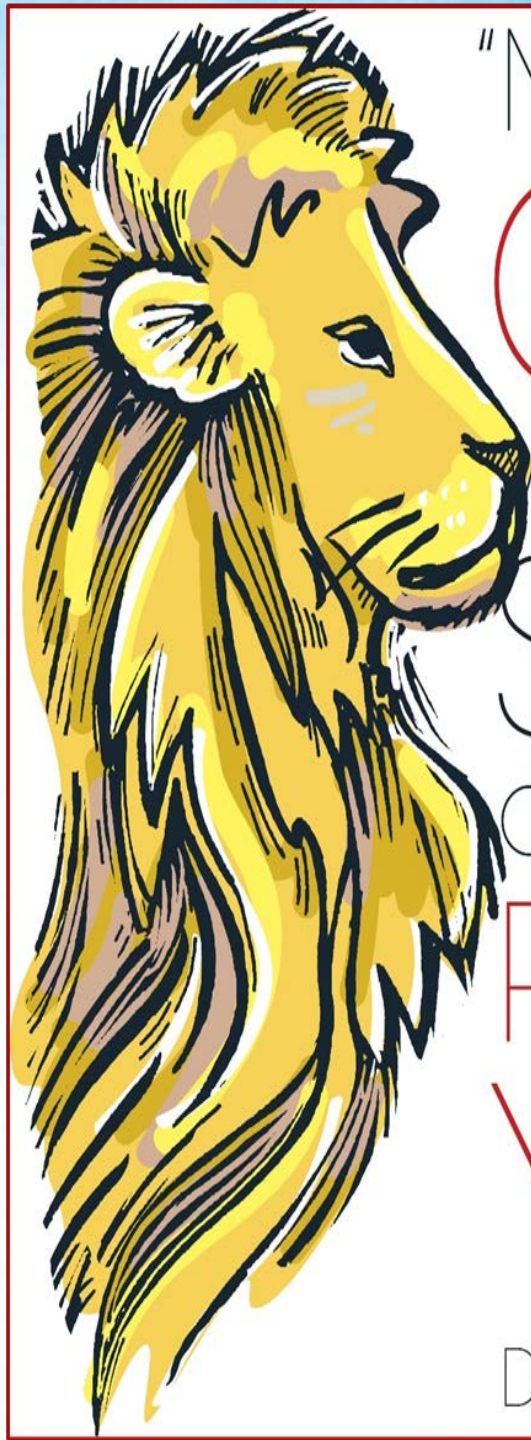
* PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

The prayer concludes...

P: Confident in your life-giving love, we lift these prayers and all those in our hearts into your loving care.

C: Amen.

OFFERING



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PRAYER



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* THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*All the Baptized are welcome
to celebrate this Holy Meal.*

* DIALOGUE




P The Lord be with you. **C** And al - so with you.

The first line of dialogue consists of two parts. The first part, marked 'P' (Priest), has a melody of a half note G4, a quarter note A4, a half note B4, and a whole note C5. The second part, marked 'C' (Cantor), has a melody of a quarter note D5, a quarter note E5, a quarter note F5, a quarter note G5, a quarter note A5, and a quarter note B5.



P Lift up your hearts. **C** We lift them to the Lord.

The second line of dialogue consists of two parts. The first part, marked 'P', has a melody of a quarter note G4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note B4, a quarter note C5, a quarter note D5, and a half note E5. The second part, marked 'C', has a melody of a quarter note F5, a quarter note G5, a quarter note A5, a quarter note B5, a quarter note C6, a quarter note B5, a quarter note A5, and a quarter note G5.



P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

The third line of dialogue is a single part marked 'P'. The melody starts with a quarter note G4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note B4, a half note C5, followed by a quarter rest, then a quarter note D5, a quarter note E5, a quarter note F5, a quarter note G5, a quarter note A5, and a whole note B5.



C It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The fourth line of dialogue is a single part marked 'C'. The melody starts with a quarter note G4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note B4, a quarter note C5, a quarter note D5, a quarter note E5, a quarter note F5, a quarter note G5, a quarter note A5, a quarter note B5, a quarter note C6, a quarter note B5, a quarter note A5, a quarter note G5, and a whole note F5.

*** THE PREFACE**

P: It is indeed right and salutary...

**... we praise your name and join their
unending hymn.**

* THE SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:



Heav- en and earth are full of your glo- ry. Ho - san - na. Ho - san - na.



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.

* EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

P: Holy God, our maker and redeemer...

...both now and forever.

C: Amen.

*** 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.**

*** INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

P: No matter where you are in your faith journey, no matter how confident in God's love and mercy, no matter if you're willing to be sent to the den of lions for your faith, Jesus invites you here and now into his holy presence, and nourishes you with his own body and blood. None are worthy, but all are welcome. Come and be fed.

- **COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION**

All will commune “by Station”.

The bread may be broken for distribution.

*As the ministers give the bread and wine,
they say these words :*

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

The communicant may say: **Amen.**

* **POST COMMUNION BLESSING**

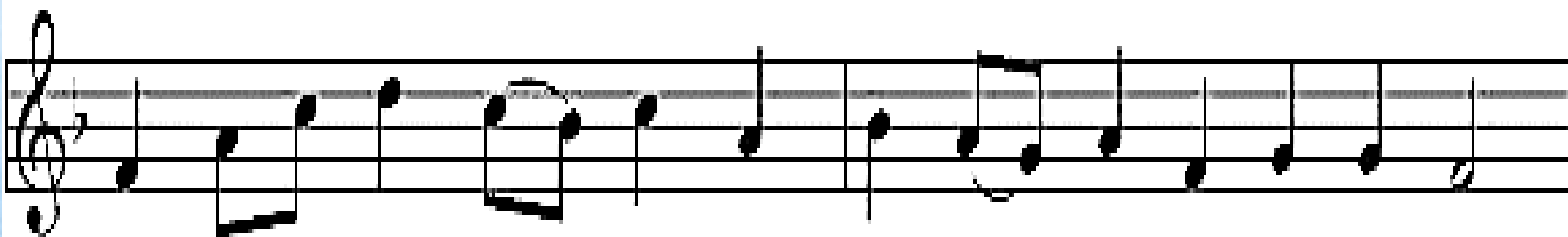
P: May this body and blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, strengthen, keep and unite us, ✝ now and forever, amen.

C: Amen.

* POST COMMUNION CANTACLE

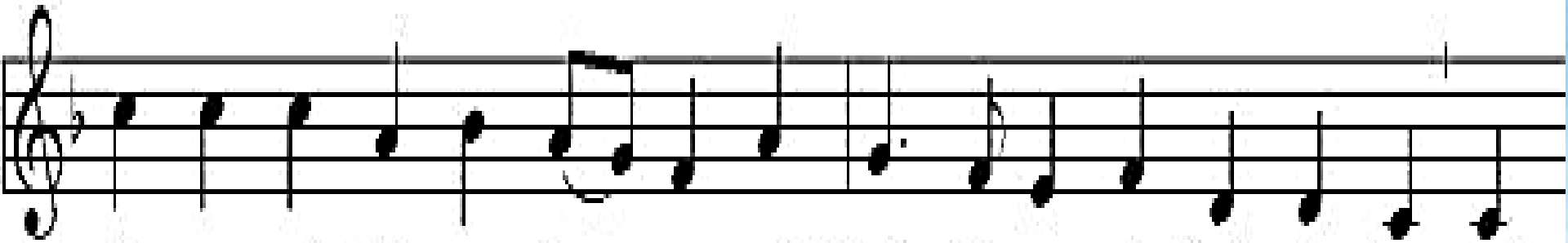


☩ Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear his name.

* POST COMMUNION CANTACLE



He re-calls his prom-is - es and leads his peo-ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks-giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

* **POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

P: Let us pray... Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray.

C: Amen

- **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Church

Announcements

* **SENDING BLESSING**

P: The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, ✝ be upon you now and forever.

C: Amen.

* **Sending
Song**

**“Guide Me Ever,
Great
Redeemer”
LBW 343**



“May your
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*** “Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer” LBW 343**

**1 Guide me ever, great Redeemer,
pilgrim through this barren land.
I am weak, but you are mighty;
hold me with your pow’rful hand.
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven,
feed me now and evermore,
feed me now and evermore.**

*** “Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer” LBW 343**

**2 Open now the crystal fountain
where the healing waters flow;
let the fire and cloudy pillar
lead me all my journey through.
Strong deliv’rer, strong deliv’rer,
shield me with your mighty arm,
shield me with your mighty arm.**

*** “Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer” LBW 343**

**3 When I tread the verge of Jordan,
bid my anxious fears subside;
death of death
and hell’s destruction,
land me safe on Canaan’s side.
Songs and praises,
songs and praises,
I will raise forevermore,
I will raise forevermore.**

* **DISMISSAL**

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

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

POSTLUDE

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