

LWML Sunday

ST. JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH

We Welcome You!
We are very pleased you are with us today in worship and we pray the Lord will bless your time with us.

Please fill in the blanks and place in the offering plate.

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Please read our communion statement on the back of this card.

HOLY COMMUNION
Our Lord Jesus Christ gave His disciples not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen with Him and with one another. He invites to His table baptized Christians who trust His words, repent of their sins, and set aside any refusal to receive as He forgives and loves.

Who partake of Holy Communion believing the Lord's presence are present do so to receive because Holy Communion is the sacrament of the faith. Only those who hold a membership in the church are asked to receive.

Please take a moment to fill out the pew card in front of you; and then place it in the offering plate at the end of service. Thank you.



Serve the Lord with Gladness

1. “Serve the Lord with gladness!”

It is He alone

Who redeemed us sinners,

Guides us as His own

To enjoy the blessings

Of His love and grace,

Will at last in glory

Meet us face to face.

Serve the Lord with Gladness

Refrain

Onward, then, for Jesus!

Let this be our aim:

“Serve the Lord with gladness!”

Glorify His name!

Serve the Lord with Gladness

2. “Serve the Lord with gladness!”

**He gave us command
To proclaim His Gospel
Now in every land
So that fellow sinners
May, like us, be blest.
Leading them to Jesus,
We can serve Him best.**

Serve the Lord with Gladness

Refrain

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Serve the Lord with Gladness

3. “Serve the Lord with gladness!”

**There’s no greater joy
Than to serve the master,
work in His employ.**

As we build His kingdom

Angels, too, rejoice

Over every sinner

Brought to hear His voice.

Serve the Lord with Gladness

Refrain

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Let this be our aim:

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Glorify His name!

Invocation

P In the name of the Father and of the ✝ Son
and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

Exhortation

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C **who made heaven and earth.**

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord,
who could stand?

C **But with You there is forgiveness;
therefore You are feared.**

Exhortation

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word and call upon Him in prayer and praise, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition.

Confession of Sins

P Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

***Silence for reflection on God's Word and
for self-examination.***

I. You shall have no other gods.

***Silence for reflection on God's Word and
for self-examination.***

***II. You shall not misuse the name of
the Lord your God.***

***Silence for reflection on God's Word and
for self-examination.***

***III. Remember the Sabbath day by
keeping it holy.***

***Silence for reflection on God's Word and
for self-examination.***

IV. Honor your father and your mother.

***Silence for reflection on God's Word and
for self-examination.***

V. You shall not murder.

***Silence for reflection on God's Word and
for self-examination.***

VI. You shall not commit adultery.

***Silence for reflection on God's Word and
for self-examination.***

VII. You shall not steal.

***Silence for reflection on God's Word and
for self-examination.***

***VIII. You shall not give false testimony
against your neighbor.***

***Silence for reflection on God's Word and
for self-examination.***

***IX. You shall not covet your neighbor's
house.***

***Silence for reflection on God's Word and
for self-examination.***

***X. You shall not covet your neighbor's
wife, or his manservant or
maidservant, his ox or donkey, or
anything that belongs to your
neighbor.***

Confession of Sins

P O Almighty God,

C **have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

Absolution

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✝ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

Introit



Let the words of my mouth and the meditation
of my heart be acceptable | in your sight,*

O LORD, my rock and my re- | deemer.

The heavens declare the glo- | ry of God,*

and the sky above proclaims

his | handiwork.

Introit



Day to day | pours out speech,*

and night to night reveals | knowledge.

There is no speech, nor | are there words,*

whose voice | is not heard.

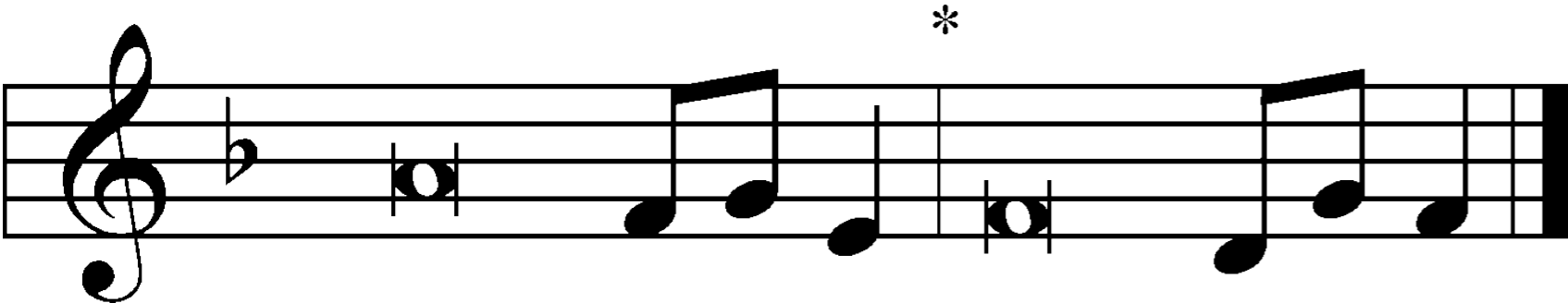
Introit



Their measuring line goes out through all the
earth, and their words to the end | of the
world.*

In them he has set a tent | for the sun.
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.

Introit



Let the words of my mouth and the meditation
of my heart be acceptable | in your sight,*
O LORD, my rock and my re- | deemer.

Kyrie



C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

Gloria in Excelsis

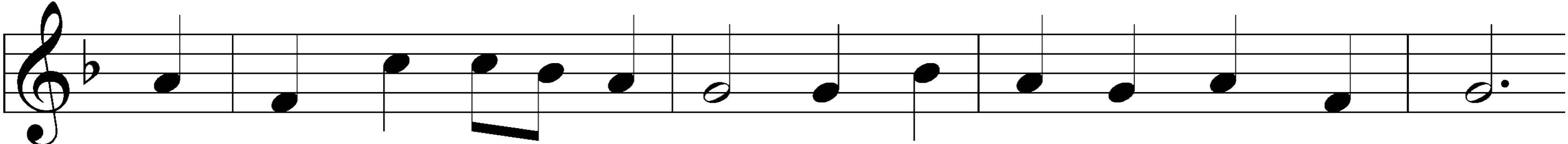


C 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro-claimed at Je-sus' birth!

Gloria in Excelsis

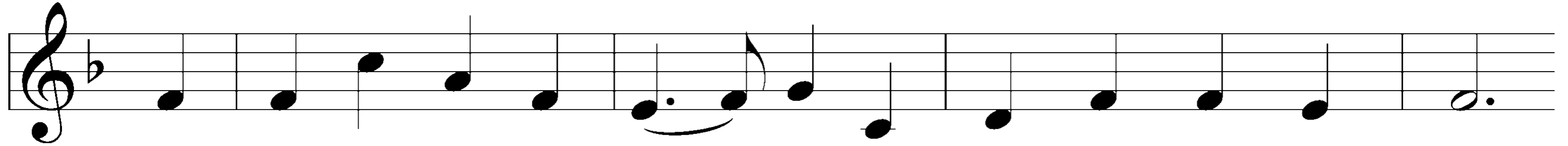


We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King.

Gloria in Excelsis

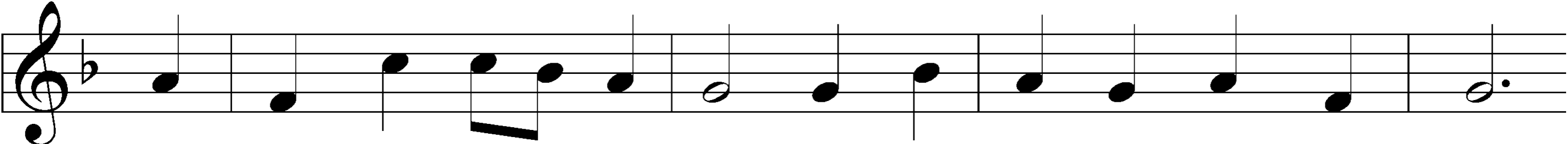


2 To You, O sole - be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;

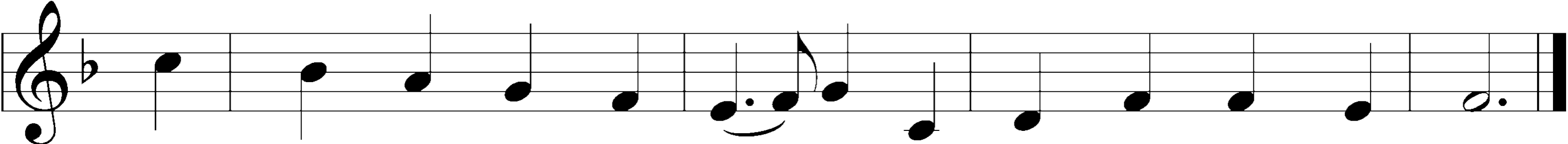


O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.

Gloria in Excelsis

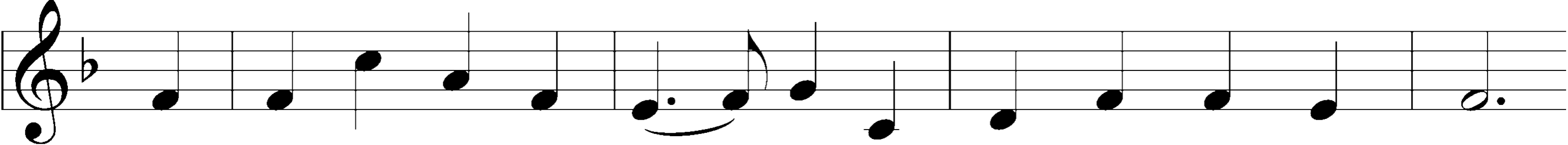


Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,

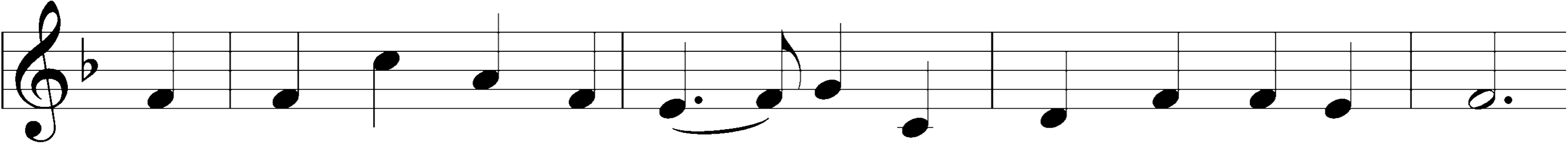


Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—

Gloria in Excelsis

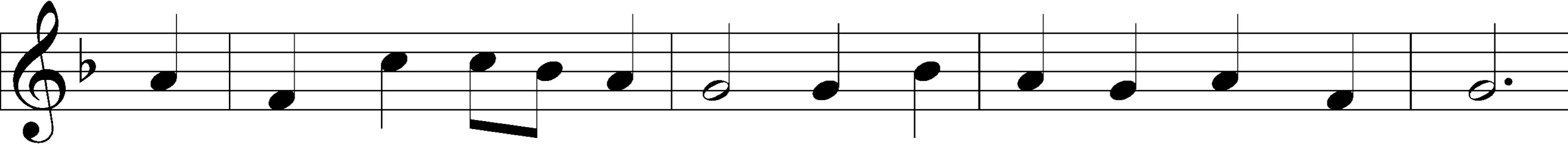


3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.

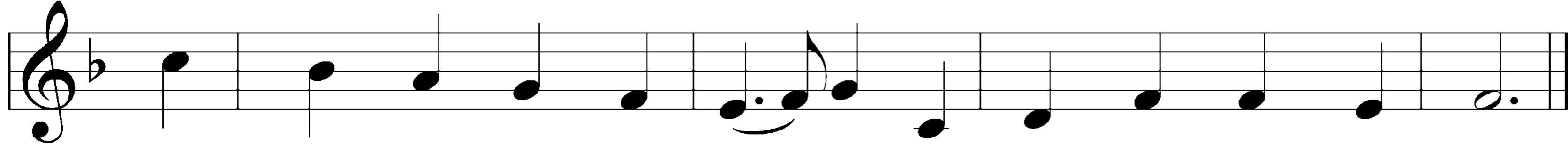


For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor-shiped and a - dored;

Gloria in Excelsis



You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, who governs all things in heaven and on earth, mercifully hear the prayers of Your people and grant us Your peace through all our days;

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord,
who lives and reigns with You and the Holy
Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 49:1-7

Listen to me, O coastlands,
and give attention, you peoples from afar.

The LORD called me from the womb,
from the body of my mother he named
my name.

He made my mouth like a sharp sword;
in the shadow of his hand he hid me;
he made me a polished arrow;
in his quiver he hid me away.

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 49:1-7

And he said to me, "You are my servant,
Israel, in whom I will be glorified."

But I said, "I have labored in vain;
I have spent my strength for nothing and
vanity;

yet surely my right is with the LORD,
and my recompense with my God."

And now the LORD says,
he who formed me from the womb to be
his servant,

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 49:1–7

to bring Jacob back to him;

and that Israel might be gathered to him—

for I am honored in the eyes of the LORD,

and my God has become my strength—

he says:

“It is too light a thing that you should be my servant

to raise up the tribes of Jacob

and to bring back the preserved of Israel;

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 49:1-7

I will make you as a light for the nations,
that my salvation may reach to the end of
the earth.”

Thus says the LORD,

the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One,
to one deeply despised, abhorred by the
nation,

the servant of rulers:

“Kings shall see and arise;

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 49:1-7

princes, and they shall prostrate themselves;
because of the LORD, who is faithful,
the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:1–9

Paul, called by the will of God to be an apostle of Christ Jesus, and our brother Sosthenes,

To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints together with all those who in every place call upon the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Epistle Reading : 1 Corinthians 1:1–9

I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus, that in every way you were enriched in him in all speech and all knowledge—even as the testimony about Christ was confirmed among you—so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift, as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ, who will sustain you to the end,

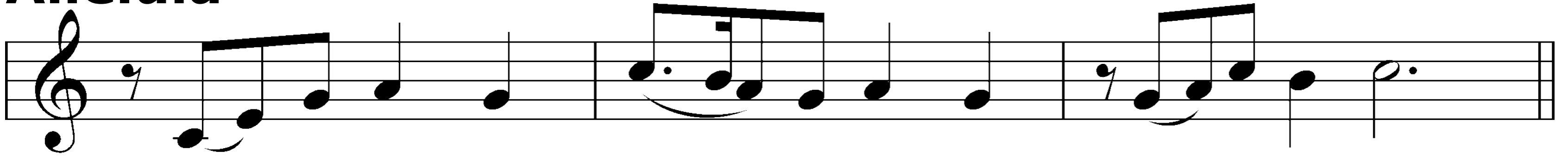
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guiltless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.
God is faithful, by whom you were called into
the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

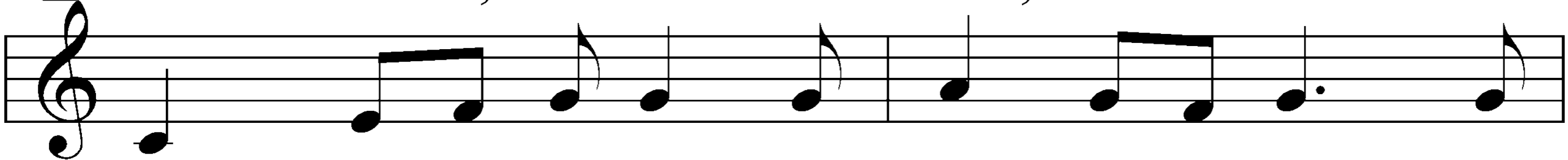
A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia

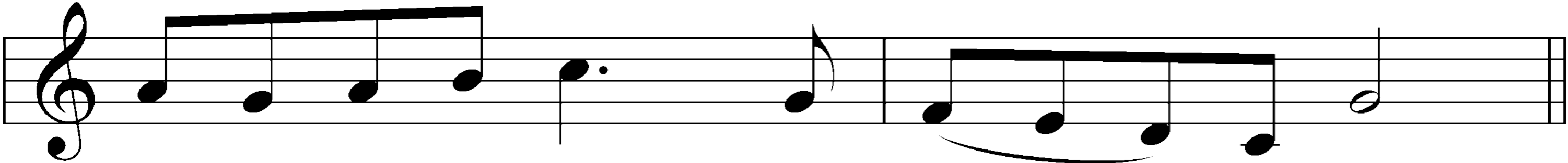


C Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

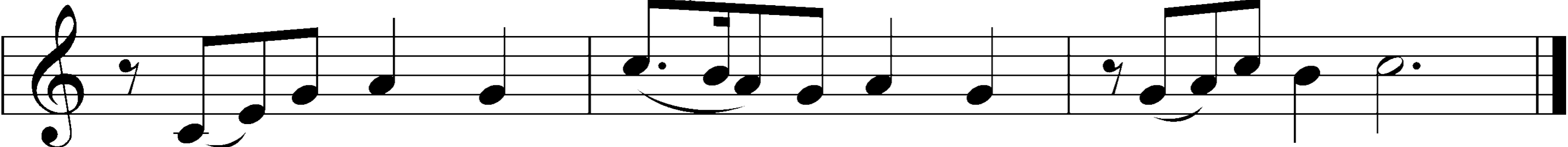


C These things are writ - ten that you may be - lieve that

Alleluia



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



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

Holy Gospel: John 1:29–42a

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John,
the first chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

The next day [John] saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, “Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, ‘After me comes a man who ranks before me, because he was before me.’”

Holy Gospel: John 1:29–42a

I myself did not know him, but for this purpose I came baptizing with water, that he might be revealed to Israel.” And John bore witness: “I saw the Spirit descend from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but he who sent me to baptize with water said to me, ‘He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain, this is he who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’”

Holy Gospel: John 1:29–42a

And I have seen and have borne witness that this is the Son of God.”

The next day again John was standing with two of his disciples, and he looked at Jesus as he walked by and said, “Behold, the Lamb of God!” The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. Jesus turned and saw them following and said to them, “**What are you seeking?**”

Holy Gospel: John 1:29–42a

And they said to him, “Rabbi” (which means Teacher), “where are you staying?” He said to them, “Come and you will see.” So they came and saw where he was staying, and they stayed with him that day, for it was about the tenth hour. One of the two who heard John speak and followed Jesus was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother.

Holy Gospel: John 1:29–42a

He first found his own brother Simon and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which means Christ). He brought him to Jesus.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Children's Message

Praise, Love, Serve

- 1. Our God and Father, made the earth,
And when we went astray,
Our God, the Son, descended here
To take our sins away.
With His own blood He bought us.
He broke the bonds of sin.
Then God the Spirit came into
Our hearts to dwell within.**

Praise, Love, Serve

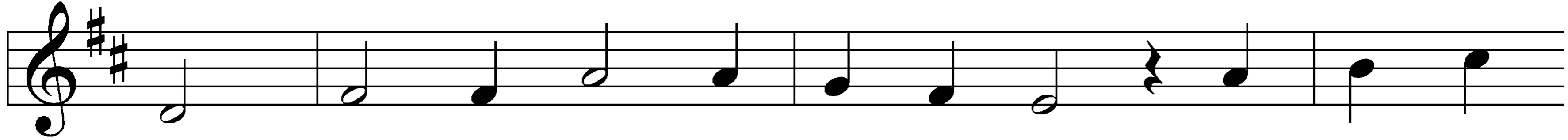
**2. In gratitude we pledge ourselves,
To Him with all we have.
Our hands will work; our voices sing;
Our lips proclaim His love.
His errands we'll do gladly;
His Gospel we'll defend;
Our silver and our gold we'll use —
His Kingdom to extend.**

Praise, Love, Serve

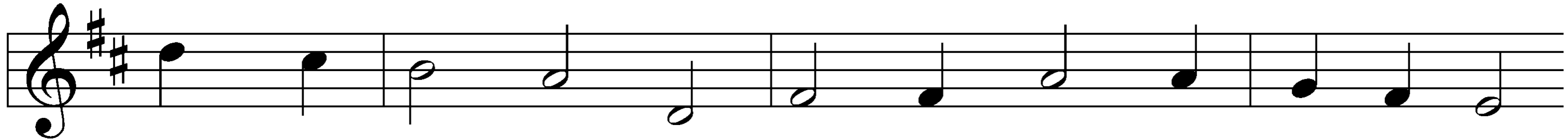
**3. Wherever He has need of us,
We will His call obey.
Whenever He calls out to us,
We'll answer right away.
His will is ours that lost souls
Will turn away from sin
And come to have eternal life
Through fellowship with Him.**

Sermon

688 "Come, Follow Me," the Savior Spake



1 "Come, fol - low Me," the Sav - ior spake, "All in My



way a - bid - ing; De - ny your - selves, the world for - sake,

688 "Come, Follow Me," the Savior Spake

O - bey My call and guid - ing. O bear the cross, what -
e'er be - tide, Take My ex - am - ple for your guide.

The image shows a musical score for the hymn "Come, Follow Me, the Savior Spake". It consists of two staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a common time signature. The melody starts with a quarter rest, followed by a quarter note G4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note B4, a quarter note C5, a quarter note B4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note G4, a quarter note F#4, a quarter note E4, a quarter note D4, a quarter note C4, a quarter note B3, a quarter note A3, and a quarter note G3. The second staff continues the melody with a quarter note F#4, a quarter note E4, a quarter note D4, a quarter note C4, a quarter note B3, a quarter note A3, a quarter note G3, a quarter note F#3, a quarter note E3, a quarter note D3, a quarter note C3, a quarter note B2, and a quarter note A2. The piece ends with a double bar line.

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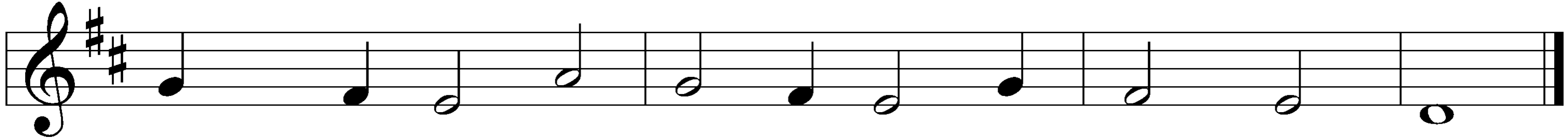
2 "I am the light, I light the way, A god - ly
life dis - play - ing; I bid you walk as in the day;

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 2/4 time. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a time signature of 2. The melody starts on a half note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F#4, E4, D4, C4. The second staff continues the melody with quarter notes B3, A3, G3, F#3, E3, D3, C3, B2, A2, G2, F#2, E2, D2, C2. The lyrics are printed below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables across notes.

688 "Come, Follow Me," the Savior Spake



I keep your feet from stray - ing. I am the way, and



well I show How you must so - journ here be - low.

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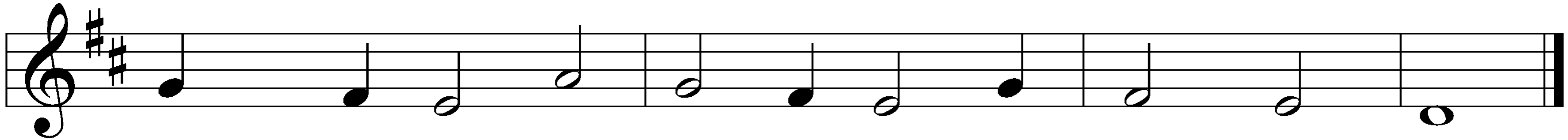
3 "My heart a - bounds in low - li - ness, My soul with
love is glow - ing; And gra - cious words My lips ex - press,

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two staves of music in a 3/4 time signature and the key of D major (indicated by two sharps). The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#), and a 3/4 time signature. The melody starts on a half note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, B4, C5, D5, E5, F#5, G5, and A5. The second staff continues the melody with quarter notes B5, C6, B5, A5, G5, F#5, E5, D5, C5, B4, A4, G4, and F#4.

688 "Come, Follow Me," the Savior Spake



With meek-ness o - ver - flow - ing. My heart, My mind, My



strength, My all, To God I yield, on Him I call.

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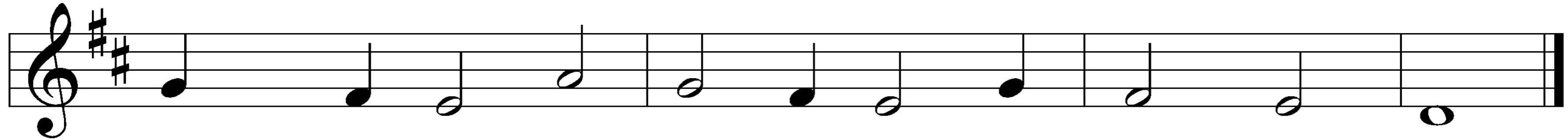
4 "I teach you how to shun and flee What harms your
soul's sal - va - tion, Your heart from ev - 'ry guile to free,

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two staves of music in treble clef, with a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#) and a 4/4 time signature. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff contains the lyrics: "4 'I teach you how to shun and flee What harms your". The second staff contains the lyrics: "soul's sal - va - tion, Your heart from ev - 'ry guile to free,". The music is written in a simple, clear style with standard notation.

688 "Come, Follow Me," the Savior Spake



From sin and its temp - ta - tion. I am the ref - uge



of the soul And lead you to your heav'n - ly goal."

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5 Then let us fol - low Christ, our Lord, And take the
cross ap - point - ed And, firm - ly cling - ing to His Word,

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bat - tle's strain The crown of heav'n - ly life ob - tain.

Text: tr. Charles W. Schaeffer, 1813–96; (sts. 1–3, 5): Johann Scheffler, 1624–77; (st. 4): Geistliche Lieder und Lobgesänge, 1695
Tune: Bartholomäus Gesius, c. 1555–1613, adapt.
Text and tune: Public domain

Apostles Creed

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ,
His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,**

Apostles Creed

was crucified, died and was buried.

He descended into hell.

**The third day He rose again
from the dead.**

**He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God
the Father Almighty.**

**From thence He will come to judge
the living and the dead.**

Apostles Creed

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life ✝ everlasting. Amen.**

LWML Pledge

P In fervent gratitude for the Savior's dying love and His blood-bought gift of redemption

C **we dedicate ourselves to Him with all that we are and have;**

P and in obedience to His call for workers in the harvest fields,

C **we pledge Him our willing service wherever and whenever He has need of us.**

LWML Pledge

P We consecrate to our Savior our hands to work for Him,

C **our feet to go on His errands,**

P our voice to sing His praises,

C **our lips to proclaim His redeeming love,**

P our silver and our gold to extend His Kingdom,

C **our will to do His will,**

LWML Pledge

P and every power of our life

C **to the great task of bringing the lost and the erring into eternal fellowship with Him. Amen.**

Offering

Prayer of the Church

P Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

P ...Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P ...let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

P Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:

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**

Lord's Prayer



**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.**

Collect for the Word

P O Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them that, by patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life;

Collect for the Word

P through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord,
who lives and reigns with You and the Holy
Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Benedicamus & Benediction

P Let us bless the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

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

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

C **Amen.**

With Joy We Come Together

- 1. With joy we come together,
Our hearts of one accord,
Rejoicing in the blessings
Of serving You, O Lord.
The gifts that You have given
Make us a mighty throng.
With thankfulness we raise up
Our praise to You in song.**

With Joy We Come Together

**2. We celebrate the women,
Who've served You through the years,
Sustaining one another
Through vict'ry, trials, and fears.
We follow now their service,
Devoted, Christ, to You.
No matter what Your errand,
We'll strive to follow through.**

With Joy We Come Together

**3. Through ministries supported,
We've seen Your love outpoured.
With mites that You've provided,
We've learned to trust You, Lord.
Our many hands have served You,
Yet much is left undone.
Your mission must continue
In reaching everyone.**

With Joy We Come Together

**4. Lord, with Your love and guidance,
We'll serve You faithfully.
Wherever You should lead us,
We'll follow willingly.
May we be bold in witness
So others see Your grace.
That we may one day worship
Together face to face.**

LWML Sunday





ANNOUNCEMENTS



Please contribute
One Dime
in January

Red socks are located by the mailboxes
and in the Fellowship Hall

Go in peace and
serve the Lord.

**Thanks be
to God.**

