

**. IN OUR PRAYERS**

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**Around the Word:** Inmates of Modelo De Penitentiary in the Dominican  
Republic

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Please rise, in body or spirit; lines in **bold type** are read or sung aloud by the people.

## WE REACH UP, ENTERING GOD'S PRESENCE

**Prelude**

**Votum**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Call to Worship**

Come, people of God, gather to sing and rejoice.

**For we are called to abide in the love of Christ!**

In this place, let our hearts be open, our spirits receptive.

**That we may embrace the love freely given and deeply felt.**

Let us worship God together, knowing that here, we are home.

**And celebrate the joy that completes us as we follow Christ.**

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**\*God's Greeting**

**Call to Praise**

**Prayer of Praise**

Holy God, we thank You for the resurrection light that breaks forth anew each day, reminding us of Your victory over the grave. As Easter people, we celebrate the boundless love you have shown through Jesus Christ. Your grace astounds us, your mercy renews us, and your love embraces us from all sides. As we prepare for the Ascension, we are reminded of your presence that remains with us, guiding and comforting. Fill our hearts with praise and our lives with your joy. In the name of our Risen Lord, we rejoice and give thanks. Amen.

## Blest Be the Tie That Binds 306 <sup>7</sup>

1 Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in  
2 Be - fore our \*Fa - ther's throne we pour our  
3 We share our mu - tual woes; our mu - tual  
4 When we are called to part, it gives us  
5 From sor - row, toil, and pain, and sin we

Chris - tian love. The fel - low - ship of  
ar - dent prayers. Our fears, our hopes, our  
bur - dens bear. And of - ten for each  
in - ward pain; but we shall still be  
shall be free; and per - fect love and

kin - dred minds is like to that a - bove.  
aims are one, our com - forts and our cares.  
oth - er flows the sym - pa - thiz - ing tear.  
joined in heart, and hope to meet a - gain.  
friend - ship reign through all e - ter - ni - ty.

# Sing a New Song unto the Lord 276<sup>6</sup>

(Psalm 98)

Refrain

G D D#dim Em Am7

Sing a new song un - to the Lord; let your song be

D G D7/A G G D

sung from moun - tain's high. Sing a new song

D#dim Em Am7 D7 G Fine

un - to the Lord, sing - ing hal - le - lu - jah!

G D7/A Am/G D/F# Em

1 Shout with glad - ness! Dance for joy! O come be -

2 Rise, O chil - dren, from your sleep; your Sav - ior

3 Glad my soul for I have seen the glo - ry

Am7 D7sus D7 G D7/A

fore the Lord. And play for God on

Am/G D C Am7 Dsus D to Refrain

now has come. He has turned your

of the Lord. The trum - pet sounds; the

glad tam - bou-rines, and let your trum - pet sound.

sor - row to joy, and filled your soul with song.

dead shall be raised. I know my Sav - ior lives.

## God's Hope for our Living

### Gloria Patri

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.*

### Ministry of Music

### Passing of the Peace

The Peace of Christ be with you  
And also with you

## WE REACH IN, RECEIVING GOD'S GIFTS IN WORD

### Prayer for Illumination

#### \*Gospel Acclamation

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

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

#### \*Gospel Lesson

John 15: 9-17

This is the Gospel of our Lord

### Praise to you, O Christ

#### \*Gospel Acclamation

### Meditation

### Making Yourself at Home

## WE REACH OUT, SHARING LOVE AND SERVICE

Call to the Offering

Offertory

## \*Doxology

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*Praise God from whom all blessing flow; praise God, all creatures here below; praise God above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

## Prayer of Dedication

### WE REACH OUT, RECEIVING CHRIST'S SACRAMENT

#### Meaning of this Holy Meal

#### The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

#### The Lord be with you

And also with you.

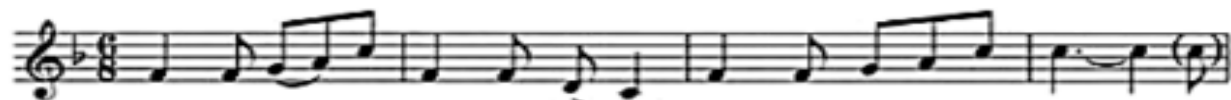
#### Lift up your hearts!

We lift them up to the Lord.

#### Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise

*Holy and right it is...we adore your glorious name...*



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power— and might,  
Bless-ed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-



heaven and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na in the high-est.  
san - na in the high - est,— ho - san - na in the high-est.

*Most righteous God we remember... proclaim the mystery of the faith..*



Christ has died. Christ is ris-en. Christ will come a - gain.

## The Communion

*All who love Jesus and desire to know him better are welcome at Christ's table. We will be coming forward to receive communion. Take the bread and partake and then a cup and partake. If you are unable to come forward, you will be served in your seat.*

## Post Communion Thanksgiving

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Bless the Lord, O my soul,

**and all that is within me, bless God's holy name!**

Bless the Lord, O my soul,

**and forget not all God's benefits.**

God gave Jesus Christ for us all, and will give us all things with Christ.

**Therefore, shall my mouth and heart show forth the praise of the Lord from this time forth, forevermore.**

## Prayers of Intercession and 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 debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory now and forever Amen.*

## \*Hymn Blest be the Tie that Binds

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## \*Benediction

## \*Postlude

## Announcements:

### Reading Scripture with God (Lectio Divina)

Are you curious or wondering if GOD has a message for you? If yes, then YOU are welcome to join other folks as we read one passage from the Bible and ask ourselves what GOD might be saying to each one of us. *You can share that personal insight or you can "pass"*. ALL people are welcome. Visitors are encouraged to come, listen and experience for yourself. Bibles are provided. Please bring paper and pen/pencil. We meet in the Ammerman library room. Sessions are held twice per month on the **second and fourth Wednesdays**. Please arrive by 10:25 AM with a start time at 10:30 Usually we are finished by 11:30 AM depending on how many people attend. Contact Sharon for more information.