

GUSTAVUS ADOLPHUS LUTHERAN CHURCH OF SAINT PAUL

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- WELCOME
- CALL TO WORSHIP
- GATHERING SONG – **OPEN YOUR EARS, O FAITHFUL PEOPLE** – ELW 519

1 O - pen your ears, O faith-ful peo-ple, o - pen your ears and hear God's word.
2 They who have ears to hear the mes-sage, they who have ears, now let them hear;

O - pen your hearts, O roy - al priest-hood, God has come to you,
they who would learn the way of wis - dom, let them hear God's word.

Refrain
To - rah o - ra, To - rah o - ra, hal - le - lu - jah!
God has spo - ken to the peo - ple, hal - le - lu - jah!

Hal-le-lu-jah!
To - rah o - ra, To - rah o - ra, hal - le - lu - jah!
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- CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS
- MEDITATION - **To Be Alive** BY OLSON/BROWN

To be a - live is to live the love that is a - live in God's sav - ing son who brought us back from a life of death to be a - live!

VERSE

1. There is noth - ing I can do to save me. On - ly God car -
 2. Join the sing - ing, join the cel - e - bra - tion. Je - sus lives; we

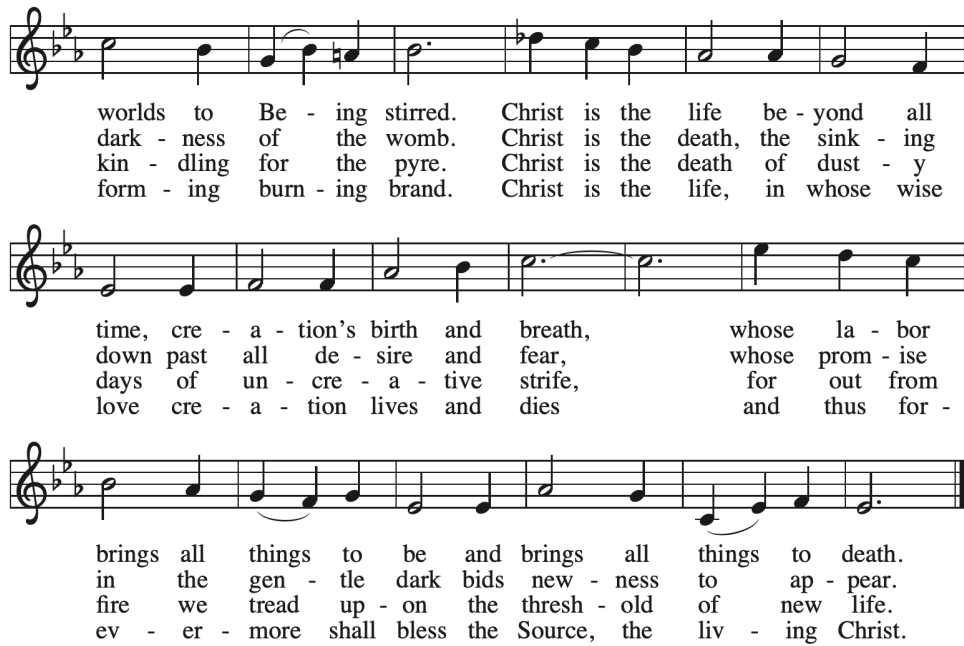
ries us home. So we live mer - cy, hope, and free - dom, lov - ing an - oth - er
 are re - stored. Love a - live, giv - ing and for - giv - ing, lov - ing an - oth - er

to be whole. To be a whole. live!

- GREETING
- PRAYER OF THE DAY
- SCRIPTURE – HEBREWS 11:29—31, 11:39 -12:2, PSALM 82
- GOSPEL - LUKE 12:49-56
- MESSAGE – THE REV. JOHN HIERLINGER
- SONG OF THE DAY – **CHRIST IS THE LIFE** - ACS 927

1 Christ is the life of all that is, God's pure cre - a - tive
 2 Christ is the death of all that is; a broad and beck - 'ning
 3 Christ is the death of all that is, a bright, con - sum - ing
 4 Christ is the life of all that is, Be - gin - ning and the

Word, whose pow'r be - yond and through all space the
 tomb, who wel - comes us from well - worn ways to
 fire, whose flames re - quire our pri - or self as
 End; cre - a - tive force, most peace - ful death, trans -



worlds to Be - ing stirred. Christ is the life be - yond all
 dark - ness of the womb. Christ is the death, the sink - ing
 kin - dling for the pyre. Christ is the death of dust - y
 form - ing burn - ing brand. Christ is the life, in whose wise

 time, cre - a - tion's birth and breath, whose la - bor
 down past all de - sire and fear, whose prom - ise
 days of un - cre - a - tive strife, for out from
 love cre - a - tion lives and dies and thus for -

 brings all things to be and brings all things to death.
 in the gen - tle dark bids new - ness to ap - pear.
 fire we tread up - on the thresh - old of new life.
 ev - er - more shall bless the Source, the liv - ing Christ.


- PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
 - SHARING OF THE PEACE
 - HOLY COMMUNION – *WORDS OF INSTITUTION, THE LORD'S PRAYER*
- COMMUNION SONG – COME LET US EAT - ELW 491**

Leader or All




1 Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread,
 2 Come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured,
 3 In Je - sus' pres - ence now we meet and rest,
 4 Rise, then, to spread a - broad God's might - y word,

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Our Lord's bod - y let us take to - geth - er,
 Je - sus' blood poured let us drink to - geth - er,
 In the pres - ence of our Lord we gath - er,
 Je - sus ris - en will bring in the king - dom,

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- BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION
- PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION
- ANNOUNCEMENTS
- BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS
- BENEDICTION
- SENDING SONG – **GUIDE MY FEET** – ACS 987



1 Guide my feet
 2 Hold my hand
 3 Stand by me while I run this race.
 4 I'm your child
 5 Search my heart



Guide my feet
 Hold my hand
 Stand by me while I run this race.
 I'm your child
 Search my heart



Guide my feet
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for I don't want to run this race in vain.

- DISMISSAL

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