



Arlington Hills Lutheran Church

Sunday, October 2, 2022

Installation of

Rev. Dr. Mitchell G. Kinsinger as Senior Pastor

BIO

The Rev. Dr. Mitch Kinsinger grew up on a farm in rural SE Iowa. A lifelong member of the church, Mitch is a graduate of Wheaton College, Western Theological Seminary, and the University of Iowa, where he earned a Ph.D. in American Religious History. Early in his career, he worked in youth ministry full time before embarking on his career in higher education, teaching a wide variety of religion and ministry courses for 15 years before moving into administration. Mitch has been deeply involved in church work at local and national levels in the course of his career. Most recently, Mitch was Associate VP for Academic Affairs at Augustana University in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, until he joined us in July 2021. He has three grown sons and their significant others, one grandbaby, and partner Anna who teaches History at St. Olaf.

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17th Sunday After Pentecost

Introduction

A little faith goes a long way is Jesus' point in the gospel. A mustard seed's-worth of faith has miraculous potential. The patience, tenacity, and endurance required for the life of faith are the blessings received in holy baptism, holy communion, and the word read and proclaimed in this assembly. Anticipate them. Receive them with thanksgiving.

Prelude **"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"** **arr. Paul Manz**
Welcome and Announcements

GATHERING

Greeting

1 Pet. 1:25

P: Alleluia. The word of the Lord endures forever. That word is the good news that was announced to you.

All: Alleluia.

Confession and Forgiveness

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

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God, who is eager to forgive and who loves us beyond our days.

All: Amen.

P: Dear friends, together let us acknowledge our failure to love this world as Jesus does.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God of mercy and forgiveness,

All: We confess that sin still has a hold on us. We have harmed your good creation. We have failed to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you. Turn us in a new direction. Show us the path that leads to life. Be our refuge and strength on the journey, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend. Amen.

P: Beloved of God: your sins are forgiven ✝ and you are made whole. God points the way to new life in Christ, who meets us on the road. Journey now in God's abiding love through the power of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Please stand if you are able

Gathering Hymn **“Praise to the Lord, The Almighty”** **ELW# 858**
Verses 1, 2 & 4 – found on page 18

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: And also with you.

Please be seated

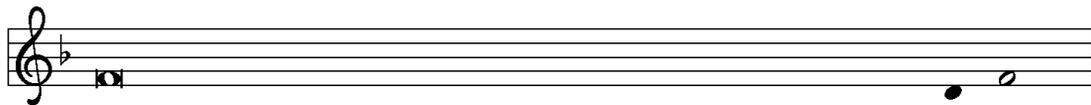
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P:

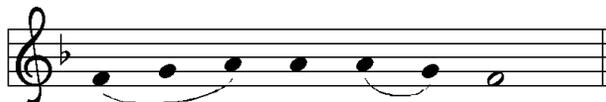
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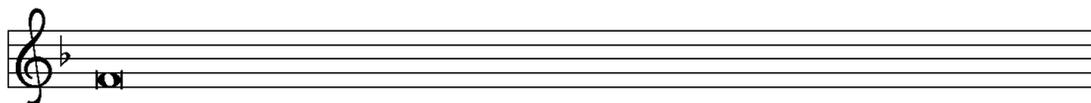
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



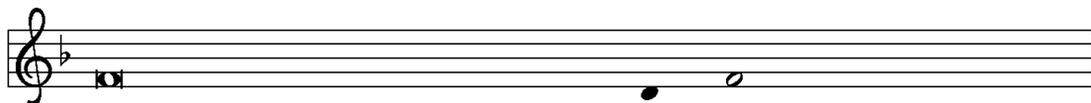
For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



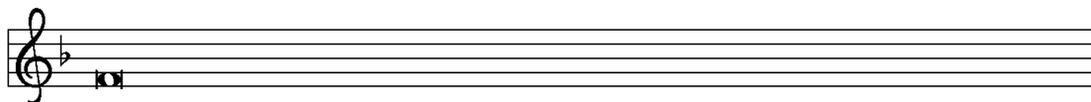
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



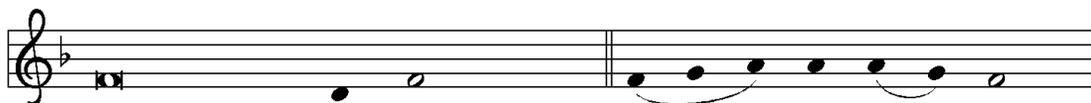
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



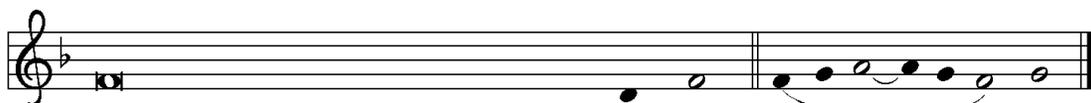
Lord, have mer - cy.



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



let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



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

This is the Feast



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb



who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and



strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of



God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,



glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 4 For the Lamb who was



slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

Final refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



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

Prayer of the Day

P: Benevolent, merciful God: When we are empty, fill us. When we are weak in faith, strengthen us. When we are cold in love, warm us, that with fervor we may love our neighbors and serve them for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

All: **Amen.**

WORD

First Reading: Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4

Injustice and violence in the time leading up to the Babylonian exile move this prophet to lament: How can a good and all-powerful God see evil in the world and seemingly remain indifferent? God answers by proclaiming that the righteous will live by faith.

¹The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw.

²O LORD, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not listen? Or cry to you “Violence!” and you will not save? ³Why do you make me see wrongdoing and look at trouble? Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise. ⁴So the law becomes slack and justice never prevails. The wicked surround the righteous - therefore judgment comes forth perverted.

^{2:1}I will stand at my watch post, and station myself on the rampart; I will keep watch to see what he will say to me, and what he will answer concerning my complaint. ²Then the LORD answered me and said: Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so that a runner may read it. ³For there is still a vision for the appointed time; it speaks of the end, and does not lie. If it seems to tarry, wait for it; it will surely come, it will not delay. ⁴Look at the proud! Their spirit is not right in them, but the righteous live by their faith.

Psalm: Psalm 37:1-9 (read responsively by whole verse)

Commit your way to the LORD; put your trust in the LORD. (Ps. 37:5)

AM: ¹Do not be provoked by evildoers; do not be jealous of those who do wrong.

All: ²**For they shall soon wither like the grass, and like the green grass fade away.**

AM: ³Put your trust in the LORD and do good; dwell in the land and find safe pasture.

All: ⁴**Take delight in the LORD, who shall give you your heart’s desire.**

AM: ⁵Commit your way to the LORD; put your trust in the LORD, and see what God will do.

All: ⁶**The LORD will make your vindication as clear as the light and the justice of your case like the noonday sun.**

AM: ⁷Be still before the LORD and wait patiently. Do not be provoked by the one who prospers, the one who succeeds in evil schemes.

All: ⁸**Refrain from anger, leave rage alone; do not be provoked; it leads only to evil.**

AM: ⁹For evildoers shall be cut off, but those who hope in the LORD shall possess the land.

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 1:1-14

This letter written to Timothy is a personal message of encouragement. In the face of hardship and persecution, Timothy is reminded that his faith is a gift of God. He is encouraged to exercise that faith with the help of the Holy Spirit.

¹Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus, ²To Timothy, my beloved child: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

³I am grateful to God—whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did—when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. ⁴Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. ⁵I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. ⁶For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; ⁷for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.

⁸Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, ⁹who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, ¹⁰but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. ¹¹For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, ¹²and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. ¹³Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. ¹⁴Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

AM: Word of God, Word of Life.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

Please stand if you are able

Gospel Acclamation

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

P: The holy gospel according to Luke the 17th Chapter

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: Luke 17:5-10

On the way to Jerusalem, Jesus instructs his followers about the power of faith and the duties of discipleship. He calls his disciples to adopt the attitude of servants whose actions are responses to their identity rather than works seeking reward.

⁵The apostles said to the Lord, “Increase our faith!” ⁶The Lord replied, “If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, ‘Be uprooted and planted in the sea,’ and it would obey you. ⁷“Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, ‘Come here at once and take your place at the table’? ⁸Would you not rather say to him, ‘Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink’? ⁹Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? ¹⁰So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, ‘We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!’”

P: The gospel of our Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated

Sermon “A Little Faith Goes a Long Way” Rolf Lowenberg-DeBoer

Please stand for the Hymn of the Day

Hymn of the Day “Here I am, Lord” ELW# 574

Verses 1 & 3 found on page 19

Please be seated

Installation of Rev. Dr. Mitchell G. Kinsinger

Rolf: Having been authorized by the church to install Mitchell G. Kinsinger, our co-worker in the gospel, as Senior Pastor, I now ask for certification of this call.

Jim: After prayerful deliberation, we, Arlington Hills Lutheran Church, have called Rev. Dr. Mitch Kinsinger, as our Senior Pastor. I present him and this letter certifying the call.

Address and Questions

Rolf: A reading from John: Jesus said, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you. Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.” (John 20:21-23)

A reading from Matthew: Jesus said, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.” (Matthew 28:18-20)

A reading from First Timothy: Set the believers an example in speech and conduct, in love, in faith, in purity. Attend to the public reading of scripture, to exhorting, to teaching. Do not neglect the gift that is in you, which was given to you through prophecy with the laying on of hands by the council of elders. Put these things into practice, devote yourself to them, so that all may see your progress. Pay close attention to yourself and to your teaching; continue in these things, for in doing this you will save both yourself and your hearers. (1 Timothy 4:12-16)

Mitch Kinsinger, in the presence of this assembly will you commit yourself to this new trust and responsibility, in the confidence that it comes from God through the call of the church?

Mitch: I will, and I ask God to help me.

Rolf: Will you preach and teach in accordance with the holy scriptures and with the confessions of the Lutheran church?
Will you carry out this ministry in harmony with the constitutions of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America?

Mitch: I will, and I ask God to help me.

Rolf: Will you be diligent in your study of the holy scriptures and in your use of the means of grace? Will you love, serve, and pray for God's people, nourish them with the word and sacraments, and lead them by your own example in faithful service and holy living?

Mitch: I will, and I ask God to help me.

Rolf: Will you give faithful witness in the world, that God's love may be known in all that you do?

Mitch: I will, and I ask God to help me.

Rolf: Almighty God, who has given you the will to do these things, graciously give you the strength and compassion to perform them.

All: Amen.

Rolf: People of God, will you receive Mitch as a messenger of Jesus Christ sent to serve all people with the gospel of hope and salvation? Will you regard him as a servant of Christ and a steward of the mysteries of God?

All: We will, and we ask God to help us.

Rolf: Will you pray for him, help and honor him for his work's sake, and in all things strive to live together in the peace and unity of Christ?

All: We will, and we ask God to help us.

Rolf: Mitch, the office of Senior Pastor is now committed to you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Blessing

Rolf: The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, make you complete in everything good so that you may do God's will, working in you that which is pleasing in God's sight; through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory forever and ever.

All: Amen.

At the Font:

Cheryl: You have been called to be among us to baptize, to teach, and to forgive sins.

At the Pulpit:

Jon: You have been called to be among us to proclaim the good news.

At the Altar:

Mary: You have been called to be among us to preside at the Lord's supper.

Rolf: People of God, I present to you Mitch Kinsinger, your Senior Pastor. Let us welcome him in the name of Christ.

Prayers of Intercession

AM: *Each prayer will end with:* God of grace,

All: hear our prayer.

Please stand for the sharing of the peace

Sharing of the Peace

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

All: And also with you.

Please be seated for the Offering

MEAL

Offering Music “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing” arr. Roland E. Martin Sunday Morning Choir

Please stand

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful *Offering Song*

Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of
bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be
fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u -
nite them with the prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your
pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

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Offering Prayer

P: Gracious God, in your great love you richly provide for our needs. Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing, and make us ready to share with all in need; through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all.

All: Amen.

Invitation to Communion

P: Christ invites you to this table. Come, taste and see.

Great Thanksgiving

P: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

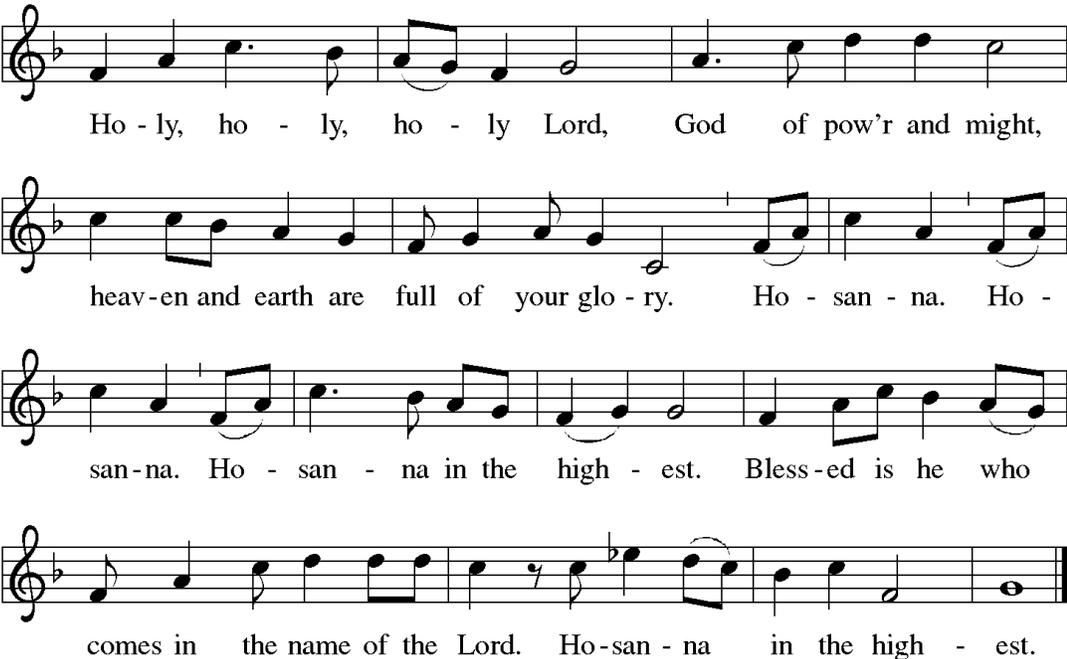
All: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, ... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

All:



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.

Please be seated

Words of Institution

P: In the night in which he was betrayed . . .

. . . For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

All: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

Lord's Prayer

All: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Communion

Table Blessing

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

All: **Amen**

Prayer after Communion

P: God of the abundant table, you have refreshed our hearts in this meal with bread for the journey. Give us your grace on the road that we might serve our neighbors with joy; for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

All: **Amen.**

Sending of Communion (*Lay Ministers come forward*)

L: Gracious God, you took the form of a servant, offering yourself as food, comfort, and strength to a sick world. Anoint with a servant heart these who take your word and sacrament to our sisters and brothers in their homes and in hospitals. Grant grace, mercy, healing and hope to those who receive on your body and blood and believe your words of new life. May we all recognize that we are at home in the body of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C: **Amen.**

Blessing

P: God, who gives life to all things and frees us from despair, bless you with truth and peace. And may the holy Trinity, ✠ one God, guide you always in faith, hope, and love.

All: **Amen.**

SENDING

Sending Hymn

“Will You Come and Follow Me?”
Verses 1, 2, 4 & 5 found on page 20

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P: God of the abundant table, you have refreshed our hearts in this meal with bread for the journey. Give us your grace on the road that we might serve our neighbors with joy; for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

All: Amen.

Postlude

“God of Grace”

arr. Paul Manz

Dismissal

P: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

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Leading Worship Today

Pastor: Rev. Dr. Mitch Kinsinger

Rolf Lowenberg-DeBoer, Assistant to the Bishop

Installation Participants: Jim Persoon, Cheryl Hollman, Jon Helgason and Mary Kowitz

Music: Barbara Rossow and Sunday Morning Choir

Assisting Ministers: Mary Kowitz, Jon Helgason

Ushers: David Almquist and Tom Brackey

Hospitality: Cheryl Hollman and Carol Hansen

Livestream Producer: Silvester Vicic

Announcements

Congratulations to Pastor Mitch Kinsinger and Arlington Hills Lutheran Church on the installation of Mitch as our Senior Pastor. We are so blest!

Cans for Tanzania – Hope you are collecting your pop cans for the can collection next Saturday (Oct. 8) Carol Hansen will be in the North parking lot from 9:00 – 11:00 and Sunday (Oct. 9) Dee Ann and Bob Nelson will be collecting cans before and after church on Sunday. Noisy Offering will be on Sunday October 9, bag up all those loose coins and let’s make some noise for Tanzania.

Happy October Birthdays!

Dean Anderson	October 2	Betty Swanson	October 15
Rebecca Ebert	October 2	Barb Schmidt	October 15
David Lauver	October 3	Jim Persoon	October 16
Silvester Vicic	October 3	Patricia Schulke	October 17
Ione Elkins	October 4	Ryan Henk	October 17
Robert Groth	October 4	Don Gritzmaker	October 18
Martha Alkins	October 4	Joann Groth	October 25
Orv Osmundson	October 5	Richard Anderson	October 25
Lynn Boogren	October 7	Michelle Hanggi	October 25
Kristin Vogelpohl	October 10	Julie Turnquist	October 26
		Bev Stickler	October 30

Happy Anniversary

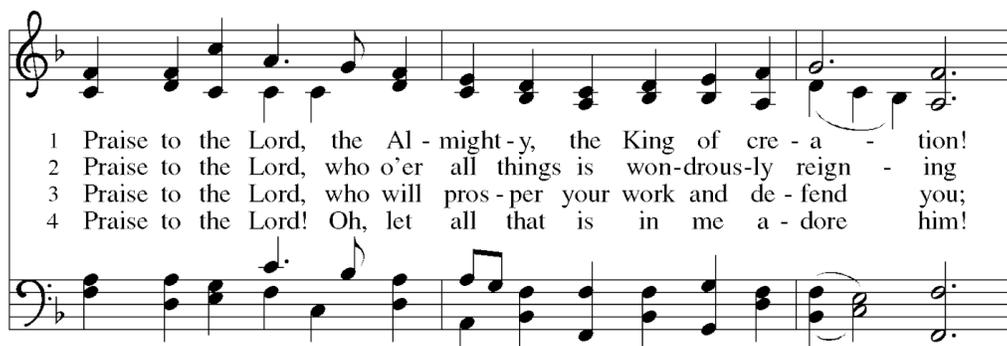
Jim Person and Barb Schmidt	October 18	47 years
Cindy and Mark Schrieber	October 25	48 years

Shipbuilding **October 2022 **Membership****

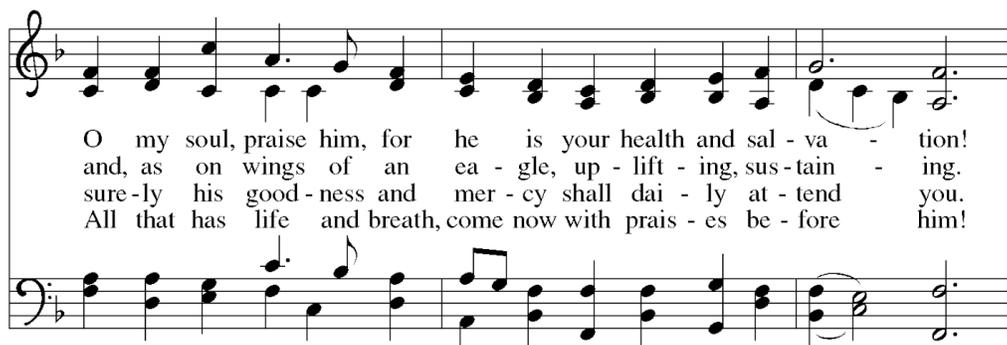
Please pray this week for AHLC Members and friends:

Dean Anderson, Sharon Anderson, Wayne Blossey, Margaret Cleary, Jerry Ekblad, Richard Edge, Peggy Engh, Dona Haberman, Esther Hallgren, Adeline Hansen, John Hollman, , Richard Johnson, Shirley Johnson, Tyler King, Jan Kowitz, Velta Krauze, John Lind, Linda Nyberg , Tom Nyman, Deb Perry, Priscilla Reeve, Betty Richter, Jackie Staples, Ken Wagner, Gary Winter, and MaryAnn Wistrom.

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty



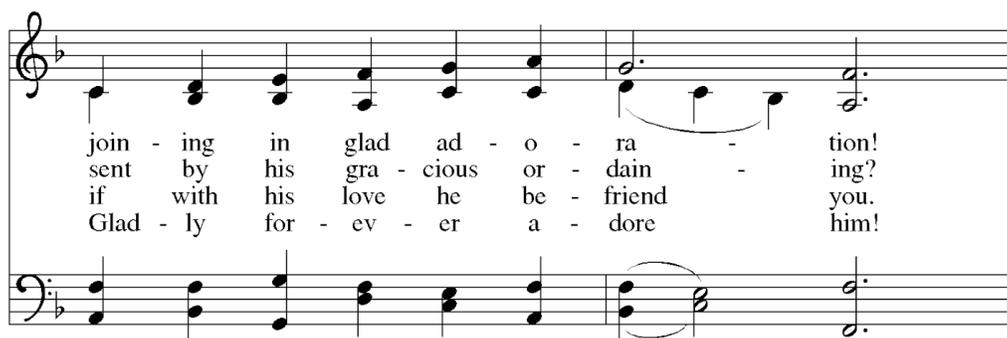
1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre - a - tion!
 2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is won-drous-ly reign - ing
 3 Praise to the Lord, who will pros - per your work and de - fend you;
 4 Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me a - dore him!



O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and sal - va - tion!
 and, as on wings of an ea - gle, up - lift - ing, sus - tain - ing.
 sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy shall dai - ly at - tend you.
 All that has life and breath, come now with prais - es be - fore him!



Let all who hear now to his tem - ple draw near,
 Have you not seen all that is need - ful has been
 Pon - der a - new what the Al - might - y can do
 Let the a - men sound from his peo - ple a - gain.



join - ing in glad ad - o - ra - tion!
 sent by his gra - cious or - dain - ing?
 if with his love he be - friend you.
 Glad - ly for - ev - er a - dore him!

Text: Joachim Neander, 1650–1680; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt.
 Music: LOBE DEN HERREN, *Ernewerten Gesangbuch*, Part II, Stralsund, 1665

Here I Am, Lord



1 "I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my peo - ple cry.
 2 "I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my peo - ple's pain.
 3 "I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.



All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.
 I have wept for love of them. They turn a - way.
 I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.



I, who made the stars of night, I will make their dark-ness bright.
 I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love a - lone.
 Fin-est bread I will pro-vide till their hearts be sat - is - fied.



Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?"
 I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?"
 I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?"

Refrain



Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you



call-ing in the night. I will go, Lord, if you



lead me. I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.

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Will You Come and Follow Me
The Summons



1 "Will you come and fol - low me if I but call
2 "Will you leave your - self be - hind if I but call
3 "Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call
4 "Will you love the you you hide if I but call
5 Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call



your name? Will you go where you don't
your name? Will you care for cruel and
your name? Will you set the pris - 'ners
your name? Will you quell the fear in -
my name. Let me turn and fol - low



know and nev - er be the same?
kind and nev - er be the same?
free and nev - er be the same?
side and nev - er be the same?
you and nev - er be the same.



Will you let my love be shown, will you let my
Will you risk the hos - tile stare, should your life at -
Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as
Will you use the faith you've found to re - shape the
In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and



name be known, will you let my life be
tract or scare? Will you let me an - swer
this un - seen, and ad - mit to what I
world a - round, through my sight and touch and
foot - steps show. Thus I'll move and live and



grown in you and you in me?"
pray'r in you and you in me?"
mean in you and you in me?"
sound in you and you in me?"
grow in you and you in me.

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Music: KELVINGROVE, Scottish traditional
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