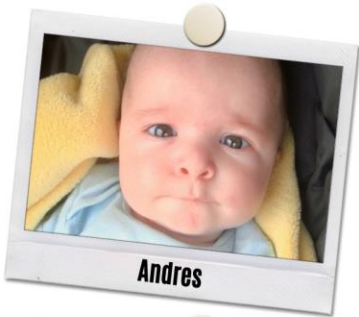


# The Day of Pentecost Confirmation Sunday

*May 19, 2024*



 *Confirmation*  
**2024**



# The Divine Service

The Day of Pentecost

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## ***God's blessings to the 2024 Confirmation Class***

### **AS WE GATHER**

The Day of Pentecost is more connected to Easter than to the Sundays after Pentecost. It is the fiftieth day of Easter, marking the new dawn under the guidance of the Spirit. The Lord works through the preached Gospel and our life together as the baptized around His Table to deliver what He has promised. Thus the ministry of the Spirit is not some ethereal reality experienced in our feelings but the concrete reality of the Word spoken into our ears to bring forth faith and the body and blood of Jesus received by faith in Holy Communion. This is the way the Spirit continues to work in us and for us and we continue to receive His ministry by faith and to celebrate this with great joy.

### **Prelude**

*Bells, 11:00 a.m.*

### **Invocation**

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

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

C **Amen.**

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. Let us confess our sin to God who is faithful and just and who has promised to forgive our sin and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

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

## Confession and Absolution

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

P With Joy, I proclaim to you that Almighty God, rich in mercy, abundant in love, forgives you all your sin and grants you newness of life in name of the Father and of the T son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**



Processional Hymn

“Hail Thee, Festival Day”

LSB 489 sts. ref-p-2p

*Refrain*  
All

*Pentecost* Hail thee, fes - ti - val day! Blest day to be hal - lowed for - ev - er;

Day when the Ho - ly Ghost Shone in the world with His grace. *1st time only*

All

*Pentecost* 1 Bright and in like - ness of fire, On those who a -

wait His ap - pear - ing, He whom the

Lord had fore - told Sud - den - ly, swift - ly de - scends:

*Refrain*  
All

*Pentecost* Hail thee, fes - ti - val day! Blest day to be hal - lowed for - ev - er;

Day when the Ho - ly Ghost Shone in the world with His grace.

Choir

*Pentecost* 2 Hark! For in myr - i - ad tongues Christ's own, His

cho - sen a - pos - tles, Preached to the ends of the

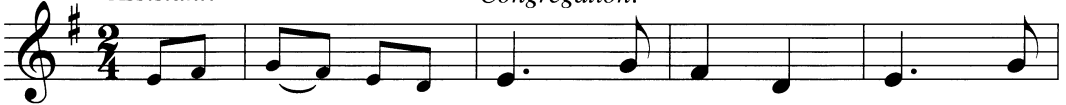
earth Christ and His won - der - ful works:

# Kyrie


A *In peace, in peace...*

## Refrain

*Assistant:* *Congregation:*



Let us pray to the Lord, have mer - cy, Christ, have




mer - cy, Lord, have mer - cy. *to Verses*

A *For the reign of God, and for peace throughout the world, for the unity of all, let us pray to the... Refrain*


A *For your people here, who have come to give you praise, for the strength to live your Word, let us pray to the... Refrain*

*Assistant:*



Help, save and de - fend us, O

*Congregation:*



God. A - men.

# Hymn of Praise: "Now the Feast"

## Refrain

*Congregation:*

Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion,  
all of cre - a - tion sings for joy  
to the God of life and love and  
free - dom: praise and glo - ry for ev -  
er - more!

## Verse 1

*Congregation or Congregation 1:*

1. Now is the feast of the Lamb once  
slain, whose blood has freed and u -  
nit-ed us to be one great peo - ple of  
God. *to Refrain*

## Verse 2

*Congregation or Congregation 2:*

2. Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and  
might, all hon - or and glo - ry to Christ  
for ev - er. *to Refrain*

The musical notation for Verse 2 consists of three staves of music in a treble clef with a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#). The first staff begins with a whole rest followed by a half note G4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note B4, a quarter note C5, and a quarter note B4. The second staff continues with a quarter note A4, a quarter note G4, a quarter note F#4, a quarter note E4, and a quarter note D4. The third staff concludes with a quarter note C4, a quarter note B3, a quarter note A3, and a quarter note G3, ending with a whole rest. The lyrics are placed below the notes.

## Verse 3

*Congregation:*

3. For God has come to dwell with us, to  
make us peo - ple of God; to make  
all things new. *to Refrain*

The musical notation for Verse 3 consists of three staves of music in a treble clef with a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#). The first staff begins 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, and a quarter note F#4. The second staff continues with 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 third staff concludes with a quarter note F#3, a quarter note E3, a quarter note D3, and a quarter note C3, ending with a whole rest. The lyrics are placed below the notes.

## Salutation

- P The Lord be with you.  
C **And also with you.**

## Prayer of the Day

- P Let us pray. Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created, and you shall renew the face of the earth. O God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever enjoy your consolation. Through Christ our Lord.  
C **Amen.**

<sup>1</sup>The hand of the LORD was upon me, and he brought me out in the Spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of the valley; it was full of bones. <sup>2</sup>And he led me around among them, and behold, there were very many on the surface of the valley, and behold, they were very dry. <sup>3</sup>And he said to me, "Son of man, can these bones live?" And I answered, "O Lord GOD, you know." <sup>4</sup>Then he said to me, "Prophecy over these bones, and say to them, O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD. <sup>5</sup>Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: Behold, I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. <sup>6</sup>And I will lay sinews upon you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live, and you shall know that I am the LORD." <sup>7</sup>So I prophesied as I was commanded. And as I prophesied, there was a sound, and behold, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. <sup>8</sup>And I looked, and behold, there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them. But there was no breath in them. <sup>9</sup>Then he said to me, "Prophecy to the breath; prophesy, son of man, and say to the breath, Thus says the Lord GOD: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe on these slain, that they may live." <sup>10</sup>So I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived and stood on their feet, an exceedingly great army. <sup>11</sup>Then he said to me, "Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. Behold, they say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are clean cut off.' <sup>12</sup>Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I will open your graves and raise you from your graves, O my people. And I will bring you into the land of Israel. <sup>13</sup>And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and raise you from your graves, O my people. <sup>14</sup>And I will put my Spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you in your own land. Then you shall know that I am the LORD; I have spoken, and I will do it, declares the LORD."

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C **Thanks be to God.**





<sup>1</sup>When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. <sup>2</sup>And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. <sup>3</sup>And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. <sup>4</sup>And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance. <sup>5</sup>Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. <sup>6</sup>And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. <sup>7</sup>And they were amazed and astonished, saying, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?" <sup>8</sup>And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? <sup>9</sup>Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, <sup>10</sup>Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, <sup>11</sup>both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians—we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God." <sup>12</sup>And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" <sup>13</sup>But others mocking said, "They are filled with new wine." <sup>14</sup>But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words. <sup>15</sup>For these men are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day. <sup>16</sup>But this is what was uttered through the prophet Joel: <sup>17</sup>"And in the last days it shall be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams; <sup>18</sup>even on my male servants and female servants in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy. <sup>19</sup>And I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and vapor of smoke; <sup>20</sup>the sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the day of the Lord comes, the great and magnificent day. <sup>21</sup>And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Processional



Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le, hal - le, hal -  
le - lu - jah! Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le -  
lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah!  
Hal - le - lu - jah!

## Holy Gospel

*John 15:26–27; 16:4b–15*

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

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

<sup>26</sup>[Jesus said:] “When the Helper comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the Father, he will bear witness about me. <sup>27</sup>And you also will bear witness, because you have been with me from the beginning. . . . “I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. <sup>5</sup>But now I am going to him who sent me, and none of you asks me, ‘Where are you going?’ <sup>6</sup>But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your heart. <sup>7</sup>Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you. But if I go, I will send him to you. <sup>8</sup>And when he comes, he will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment: <sup>9</sup>concerning sin, because they do not believe in me; <sup>10</sup>concerning righteousness, because I go to the Father, and you will see me no longer; <sup>11</sup>concerning judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged. <sup>12</sup>“I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. <sup>13</sup>When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. <sup>14</sup>He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you. <sup>15</sup>All that the Father has is mine; therefore I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

1 Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er dwell - ing In the ho - liest  
3 Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er work - ing Through the Church's

realms of light; Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er brood - ing  
min - is - try; Quick - 'ning, strength - 'ning, and ab - solv - ing,

O'er a world of gloom and night; Ho - ly Spir - it,  
Set - ting cap - tive sin - ners free; Ho - ly Spir - it,

ev - er rais - ing Those of earth to thrones on high; Liv - ing,  
ev - er bind - ing Age to age and soul to soul In com -

life - im - part - ing Spir - it, You we praise and mag - ni - fy.  
mu - nion nev - er end - ing, You we wor - ship and ex - tol.

## Sermon

## "Yes I Do"

Pastor Scott Henze

## Apostles' Creed

(8:30 a.m. only)

- C 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, 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. 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.**

## Prayer of the Church

*Petitions end, "Lord, in your mercy..." Congregation responds, "Hear our prayer"*

## Offering

"Cornerstone"

Choir, 11:00 a.m.

## Offertory Prayer

P God of mercy and grace, the eyes of all wait upon you, and you open your hand in blessing. Receive now these gifts you have first given and fill us with good things at your table, that we might joyfully and generously share all you have given us, through Jesus Christ, our Redeemer and Lord. Amen.

## A word about Holy Communion

*We are about to receive the Lord's Supper. Before you receive, you might consider the following questions: Do you believe you are a sinner? Do you believe Jesus Christ died for you and shed his blood for you on the cross for the forgiveness of your sins? Do you believe that in the Lord's Supper he gives you his true body and blood for the forgiveness of all your sins and strengthens your faith in him and your love for others? If you are a baptized Christian and share these Biblical truths, please come! Those who have not yet received instruction may come forward for a blessing, crossing their arms over their chest to indicate they are not receiving the elements.*

## Service of the Sacrament

### Preface

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

### Proper Preface

### The 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 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.**

## Words of Institution

### The Peace of the Lord

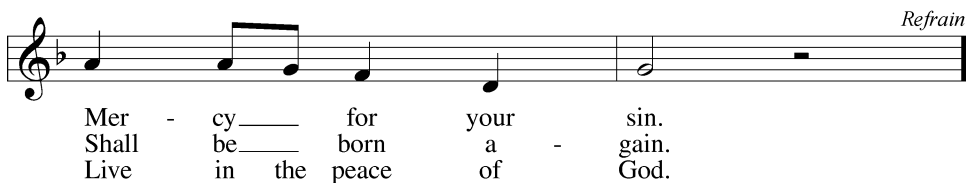
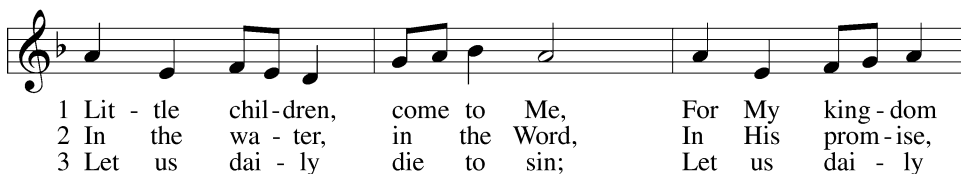
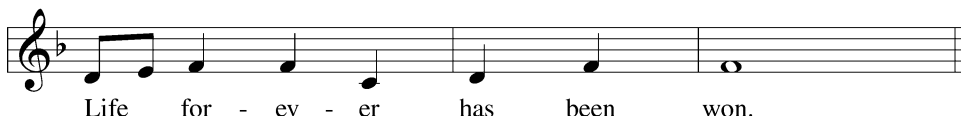
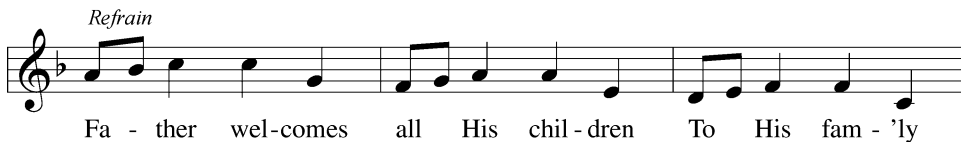
P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

*(The congregation and minister may greet each other with the peace of the Lord)*

### Agnus Dei

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
you are the way of mer - cy and  
world:  
love. have mer - cy on us, mer - cy on us,  
mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you  
take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace,  
grant us peace, grant us peace.



# “Sent Forth by God’s Blessing”

LSB 643

1 Sent forth by God's bless-ing, Our true faith con-fess-ing,  
2 With praise and thanks-giv-ing To God ev-er-liv-ing,  
The peo-ple of God from His dwell-ing take leave.  
The tasks of our ev-'ry-day life we will face.  
The Sup-per is end-ed. O now be ex-tend-ed  
Our faith ev-er shar-ing, In love ev-er car-ing,  
The fruits of this ser-vice in all who be-lieve.  
Em-brac-ing His chil-dren of each tribe and race.  
The seed of His teach-ing, Re-cep-tive souls reach-ing,  
With Your feast You feed us, With Your light now lead us;  
Shall blos-som in ac-tion for God and for all.  
U-nite us as one in this life that we share.  
His grace did in-vite us, His love shall u-nite us  
Then may all the liv-ing With praise and thanks-giv-ing  
To work for God's king-dom and an-swer His call.  
Give hon-or to Christ and His name that we bear.

## Closing of the Table

## Post-communion canticle

Praise to you, O God of mer - cy:  
Thanks be to you for ev - er! Rais - ing high the  
weak and low - ly: Thanks be to you for - ev - er!  
Strong is your faith - ful - ness, strong is your love, re -  
mem - b'ring your cov - e - nant of life with us.  
Praise to you O God of mer - cy: Thanks be to you for  
ev - er! Rais - ing high the weak and low - ly:  
Thanks be to you for ev - er. Thanks be to you for - ev - er!

## Post-Communion Prayer

P Let us pray. We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in your mercy you would strengthen us, through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



## **RITE OF CONFIRMATION**

*11:00 AM Only*

Pastor:

Beloved in the Lord, our Lord Jesus Christ said: "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Me. Therefore, go 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 I have commanded you. And surely, I will be with you always, to the very end of the age."

You have been baptized and you have been taught the faith according to our Lord's command. The fulfillment of His command we now celebrate with thankful hearts, rejoicing to confess the faith into which you were baptized and which you yourselves will now confess before the Church.

Jesus said: "Whoever confesses Me before others, I will also confess him before My Father in heaven. But he that denies Me before others, I will deny him before My Father in heaven."

Rejoice in the peace of God and joyfully give answer to what, in the name of the Lord, as a minister of His Church, I now shall ask you.

Do you this day in the presence of God and of this congregation acknowledge the gifts which God gave you in your Baptism?

**Confirmands and Congregation: Yes, I do.**

Pastor: Do you renounce all the forces of evil, the devil, and all his empty promises?

**Confirmands and Congregation: Yes, I do.**

Pastor: Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty?

**Confirmands and Congregation: Yes, I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

Pastor: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord?

**Confirmands and Congregation: Yes, I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, 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.**

Pastor: Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

**Confirmands and Congregation: Yes, 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.**

## **CONFIRMATION OF INSTRUCTION**

### **THE SOLEMN VOW OF THE PARENT**

### **SOLEMN VOW OF THE CONGREGATION**

Pastor: The promises made by these young people and parents are difficult to fulfill. They need God's help and our prayers and encouragement. Since the best encouragement is a good example, let us pray together...

**All: Give us strength, O God, to set a good example for these Confirmands by using God's Word daily in our homes, worshipping regularly in church, and receiving Holy Communion frequently. Give us the power to live a more God-pleasing life, and may we, with these young men and women, grow more and more as disciples of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

## **PERSONAL COMMITMENT AND BLESSING OF THE CONFIRMANDS**

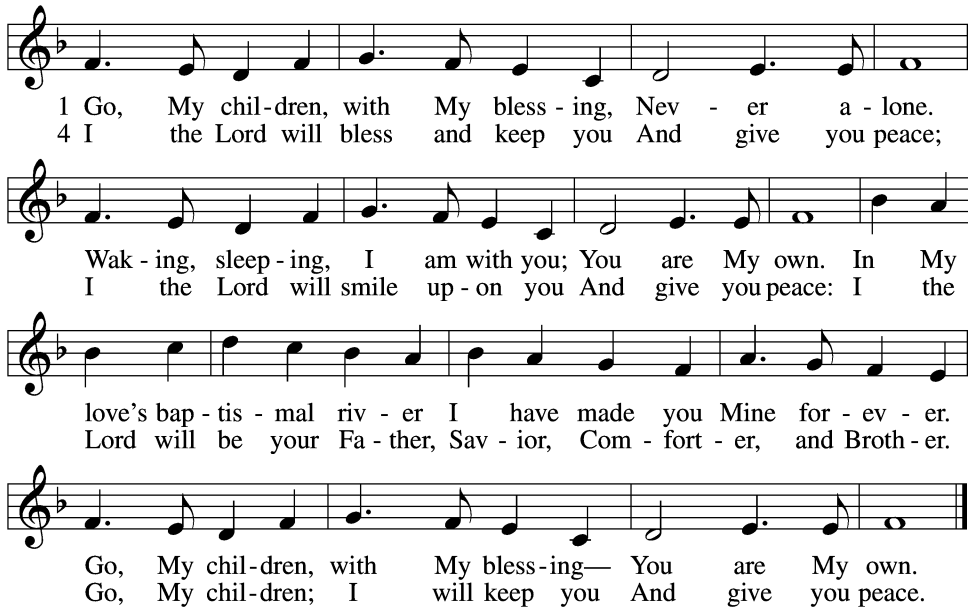
### **THE PRAYER FOR THE CONFIRMANDS**

## Announcements

## Benediction

## Recessional Hymn "Go, My Children, with My Blessing"

LSB 922 sts. 1, 4



1 Go, My chil-dren, with My bless-ing, Nev-er a-lone.  
4 I the Lord will bless and keep you And give you peace;

Wak-ing, sleep-ing, I am with you; You are My own. In My  
I the Lord will smile up-on you And give you peace: I the

love's bap-tis-mal riv-er I have made you Mine for-ev-er.  
Lord will be your Fa-ther, Sav-ior, Com-fort-er, and Broth-er.

Go, My chil-dren, with My bless-ing— You are My own.  
Go, My chil-dren; I will keep you And give you peace.

## Dismissal

P Lord Jesus you lead us! Now we go as....

C **Disciples making disciples.**

P Go in peace and serve the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God!**



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