

# Servíce of Ordínatíon Reverend Wíllíam C. Wendorf February 10, 2024

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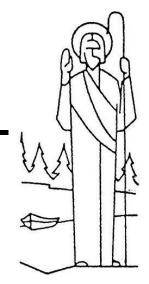
# Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran Church

A member congregation of the Augsburg Lutheran Churches

Sayner, Wisconsin

**Ordination Service William C. Wendorf** 

Prelude



**Confession and Forgiveness** 

(Please remain seated)

(The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their baptism.)

In the name of the Father, and of the <sup>‡</sup> Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen** 

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid, cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the power of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

#### Amen

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

Most merciful God,

We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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

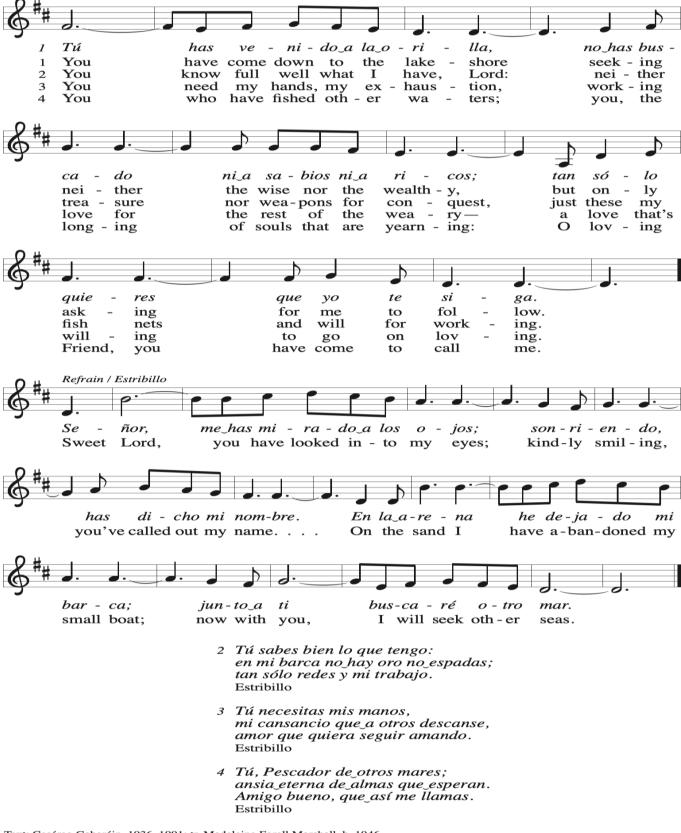
Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive all your sins, through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power + of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

#### Amen

**Gathering Song** 

"You Have Come Down To The Lakeshore" ELW 817

(Please stand as you are comfortable)



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# **Apostolic Greeting**

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.

#### **Prayer of the Day**

Please join me in the prayer;

#### God,

the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, as you sent upon the disciples the promised gift of the Holy Spirit, look upon your Church and open our hearts to the power of the Spirit. Kindle in us the fire of your love, and strengthen our lives for service in your Kingdom; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

(You may be seated after the prayer.)

#### Readings

#### First Lesson Proverbs 3:1-6

<sup>1</sup>My child, do not forget my teaching, but let your heart keep my commandments;
<sup>2</sup>for length of days and years of life and abundant welfare they will give you.
<sup>3</sup>Do not let loyalty and faithfulness forsake you; bind them around your neck, write them on the tablet of your heart.
<sup>4</sup>So you will find favor and good repute in the sight of God and of people.
<sup>5</sup>Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and do not rely on your own insight.
<sup>6</sup>In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths.

# Psalm 40: 3-4, 7-11, 16 (Read Responsively)

<sup>3</sup>He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God. Many will see and fear, and put their trust in the LORD.

#### <sup>4</sup>Happy are those who make the LORD their trust, who do not turn to the proud, to those who go astray after false gods.

<sup>7</sup>Then I said, "Here I am; in the scroll of the book it is written of me.

# <sup>8</sup>I delight to do your will, O my God; your law is within my heart."

<sup>9</sup>I have told the glad news of deliverance in the great congregation; see, I have not restrained my lips, as you know, O LORD.

# <sup>10</sup>I have not hidden your saving help within my heart, I have spoken of your faithfulness and your salvation; I have not concealed your steadfast love and your faithfulness from the great congregation.

<sup>11</sup>Do not, O LORD, withhold your mercy from me; let your steadfast love and your faithfulness keep me safe forever.

#### <sup>16</sup>But may all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you; may those who love your salvation say continually, "Great is the LORD!"

# Second Lesson Colossians 1:24-29

<sup>24</sup>I am now rejoicing in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am completing what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church. <sup>25</sup>I became its servant according to God's commission that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, <sup>26</sup>the mystery that has been hidden throughout the ages and generations but has now been revealed to his saints. <sup>27</sup>To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. <sup>28</sup>It is he whom we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone in all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ. <sup>29</sup>For this I toil and struggle with all the energy that he powerfully inspires within me.



# **Gospel Reading**

The Holy Gospel according to.....

#### Glory to you, O Lord.

#### John 20:19-23

<sup>19</sup>When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." <sup>20</sup>After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. <sup>21</sup>Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." <sup>22</sup>When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. <sup>23</sup>If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

The Gospel of the Lord......

Praise to you, O Christ.

(Please be seated)

Sermon

"The Office"

Rev. Timothy J. Swenson

Hymn of the Day

*"Borning Cry"* ELW 732 (Please stand as you are comfortable)



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# **Apostles Creed**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

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

**Prayer of the Church** 

(Please be seated following the prayers)

#### THE ORDINATION OF REVEREND WILLIAM C. WENDORF

(The candidate is presented to the officiating minister and to the congregation)

The REVEREND WILLIAM WENDORF, having been duly certified by the Augsburg Lutheran Churches (ALC) and the Council of Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran Church, Sayner WI, as one to whom the Ministry of the Gospel should be committed, has received a proper Letter of Call to serve as Pastor to this congregation.

Dearly Beloved: Having been authorized to ordain our fellow-laborer in the Gospel to serve as Pastor to Shepherd of the Lake Lutheran Church, Sayner WI, I now ask for the certification of his call.

(A representative of the church council comes forward with the pastor and says)

Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran Church Council, after prayerful deliberation, has voted to call WILLIAM WENDORF as Pastor. I therefore present him for Ordination to the Public Ministry of Word and Sacrament. This letter certifies the call.

Thanks be to God.

(Please be seated)

The Lord be with you.

# And also with you.

Let us pray. Create in me a clean heart, O God:

# And renew a right spirit within me.

O God, who taught and enlightened the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the Holy Spirit: Grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgment in all things and at all times to rejoice in His comfort and power; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.

#### Amen

Their sound went forth into all the earth:

# And their words to the end of the world.

O God, the Giver of every good and perfect gift: We pray that you would pour your heavenly blessing upon this your servant; and so enlighten *him* with the truth of your doctrine and adorn him with holiness of life, that meditating on your Word day and night, he may believe what he reads, teach what he believes, show forth in his life what he teaches, and, faithfully serving you in his office, may keep that which has been committed to him in trust blameless until the day of Christ Jesus, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end.

#### Amen.

#### (The officiating Minister addresses the candidate)

Dearly Beloved: According to Apostolic usage you are now to be set apart for the Public Ministry of Word and Sacrament as Pastor here at Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran Church, by the laying on of hands and prayer.

#### (The officiating minister addresses the candidate)

Hear the Word of the Lord concerning the Office of the Holy Ministry:

The Lord Jesus said to his disciples: "Peace be with you. As my Father has sent me, even so I send you. Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven; if you retain the sins of any they are retained." (John 20:21-23)

And Jesus also 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, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, to the close of the age." (Matthew 28:18-20)

The Apostle Paul said: "I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, 'This is my body which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.' In the same way also the cup, after supper, saying, 'This cup is the new testament in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.' For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes." (1 Corinthians 11:23-26)

The Apostle Paul [also] said to Timothy: "Set the believers an example in speech and conduct, in love, in faith, in purity. Till I come, attend to the public reading of scripture, to preaching, to teaching. Do not neglect the gift you have, which was given you by prophetic utterance when the council of elders laid their hands upon you. Practice these duties, devote yourself to them, so that all may see your progress. Take heed to yourself and to your teaching; hold to that, for by so doing you will save both yourself and your hearers." (1 Timothy 4:12-16) And now we exhort you, in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you be mindful of the holy Office to which you have been called, having always in your heart how great a treasure is committed to your charge. For the flock over which the Holy Spirit gives you oversight is made up of the sheep of Christ, which he has purchased with his Blood. Never cease your labor and diligence to bring those committed to your charge to the faith and knowledge of God, and to the fullness of life in Christ. (Cf. Acts 20:28ff)

#### (The officiating minister questions the candidate)

As you shall give account before the Lord in the great day of his appearing, and that this Congregation here present may know your mind and will in these things, I call upon you now to make answer before Almighty God:

Are you now ready to take upon you this Holy Ministry, and faithfully to serve therein?

#### Yes, by the help of God.

Will you believe, teach, and confess the Gospel that we are justified by grace alone, that is, by faith alone through Christ alone as the heart and center of the Holy Scriptures, the ecumenical creeds, and the Lutheran confessional writings, and as the sole criterion against which all teaching, practice, structure, and polity must be judged?

#### Yes, by the help of God.

Will you preach and teach the Word of God in accordance with the Holy Scriptures and the Confessions of the Evangelical-Lutheran Church, and will you administer the Holy Sacraments after the ordinance of Christ?

#### Yes, by the help of God.

Will you love, serve, and pray for this flock, following the example of your Lord, the Good Shepherd, who came not to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many?

#### Yes, by the help of God.

Will you be diligent in the study of Holy Scripture, constant in prayer, and faithful in the use of the Means of Grace?

#### Yes, by the help of God.

Will you adorn the doctrine of God our Savior by a holy life and conversation?

#### Yes, by the help of God.

(The candidate says)

Before God and the Lord Jesus Christ, who shall judge the living and the dead at His appearing, I, WILLIAM WENDORF, do promise, with His grace and help, to fulfill these sacred obligations.

#### Amen.

Almighty God, who has chosen you to be His Minister, enable you to fulfill your vows by His help and complete what you have begun by His favor.

#### Amen.

(Please stand as you are comfortable)

(The officiating minister questions the people)

Dearly Beloved: You have heard the pledge of *WILLIAM WENDORF*, who has been called to be a minister of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. I therefore ask you:

Will you support him in his ministry as Pastor here at Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran Church, showing him the love, honor, and obedience in the Lord due to a shepherd and teacher of our Lord Jesus Christ?

# Yes, by the help of God.

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?

# Yes, by the help of God.

# PRAYER and LAYING ON OF HANDS

(The Candidate kneels)

(The pastor, church council members, the officiating minister together with clergy and those requested to come forward may impose their hands on the heads of the pastor as all say the 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 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.

#### (All return to their seats)

#### (The officiating minister prays)

Merciful God, heavenly Father, you have said to us through the mouth of your dear Son our Lord Jesus Christ: "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; pray therefore the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest." Upon this your divine command, we pray heartily that you would stir up mightily your Holy Spirit so richly poured out upon WILLIAM WENDORF in his baptism, stir it up also among us, and also among all those who are called to serve your Word so that the company of us who publish the good tidings may be great, and that we may stand faithful and firm against the devil, the world, and the flesh, to the end that your name may be hallowed, your kingdom grow, and your will be done. We also pray that you would hinder and defeat the detestable abominations of your enemies who blaspheme your name, oppose your kingdom, and rage against your will. Graciously hear this our prayer, since you have so commanded, taught, and promised, even as we believe and trust through your dear Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end.

#### Amen

(The officiating minister blesses the newly ordained)

The blessing of the Lord be upon you, that you may go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit may remain.

#### Amen.

(The stole is presented)

(The officiating minister invests the newly ordained by laying a stole upon his shoulders)

Take now the authority publicly to preach the Word of God and to administer the Holy Sacraments. Receive this stole as your investiture into the public office of ministry, as a badge of the authority you bear, and as a reminder of the yoke of Jesus Christ.

(The newly ordained pastor rises and faces the congregation, and the officiating minister presents the newly ordained to the congregation saying...)

Upon these your solemn promises I do now declare the Reverend WILLIAM C. WENDORF duly ordained to the Public Ministry of Word and Sacrament to serve as PASTOR by call here at Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran Church, Sayner WI.

# **Sharing The Peace**

The peace of the Lord be with you.

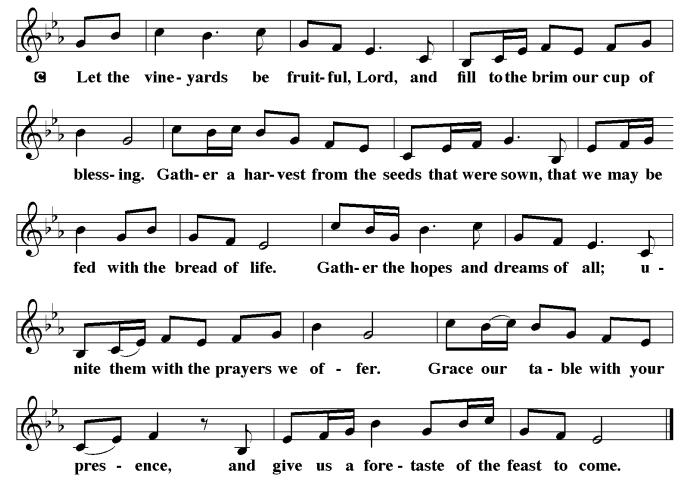
#### And also with you. Amen.

(You are invited to share the peace with one another, as you and your neighbor are comfortable) (When you have returned to your seats, the service will continue with the offering)

**Offering** (*The offering is received as the Lord's table is prepared.*)

**Offertory Hymn** 

(Please stand as you are comfortable)

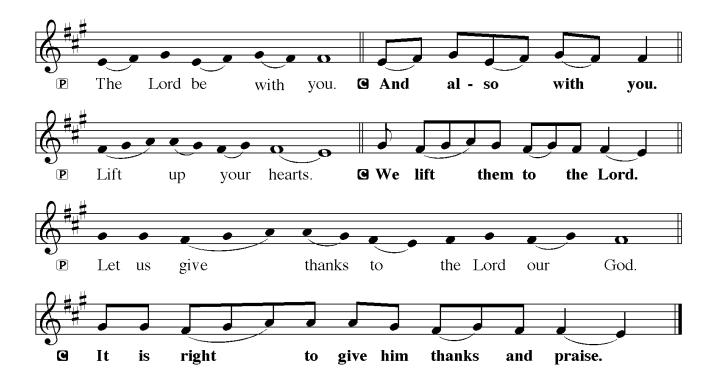


# **Offertory Prayer**

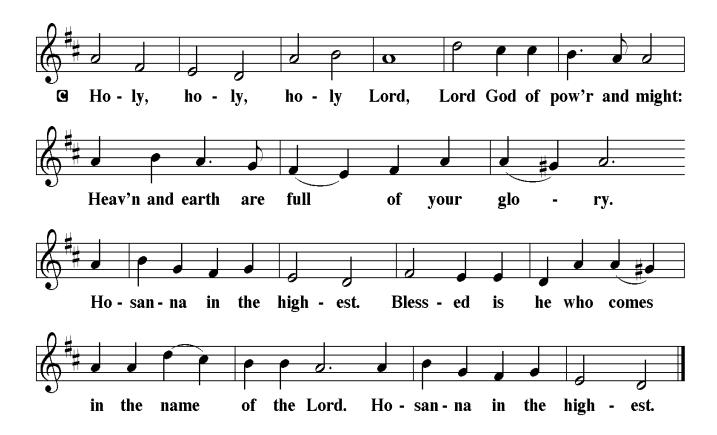
Merciful Father,

We offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us-ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

# **Great Thanksgiving**



It is indeed right and salutary . . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



# Words of Institution

Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth. In mercy for our fallen world you gave your only Son, that all those who believe in him should not perish, but have eternal life. We give thanks to you for the salvation you have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Stir up your Holy Spirit in our hearts, that we may receive our Lord with a living faith as he comes to us in his holy supper.

#### Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

In the night in which he was betrayed our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying; Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying; This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Lord Jesus, remember us in your Kingdom and teach us to pray:

# **The Lord's Prayer**

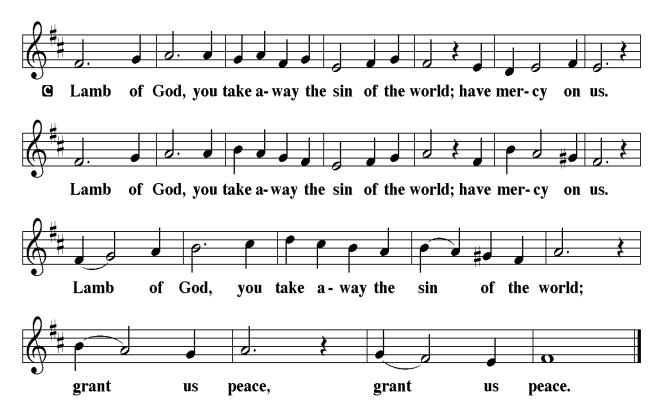
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen

# Invitation

# **Communion Distribution**

Please be seated and come forward as the ushers direct. All those who wish to commune are welcomed to the Lord's table.

# Lamb of God



"God Is Here" ELW 526

God Is Here!



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#### Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service



Text: Albert F. Bayly, 1901–1984 Music: BEACH SPRING, *The Sacred Harp*, Philadelphia, 1844; arr. *Selected Hymns*, 1985 Text © 1961 Oxford University Press. Arr. © 1985 Augsburg Fortress.

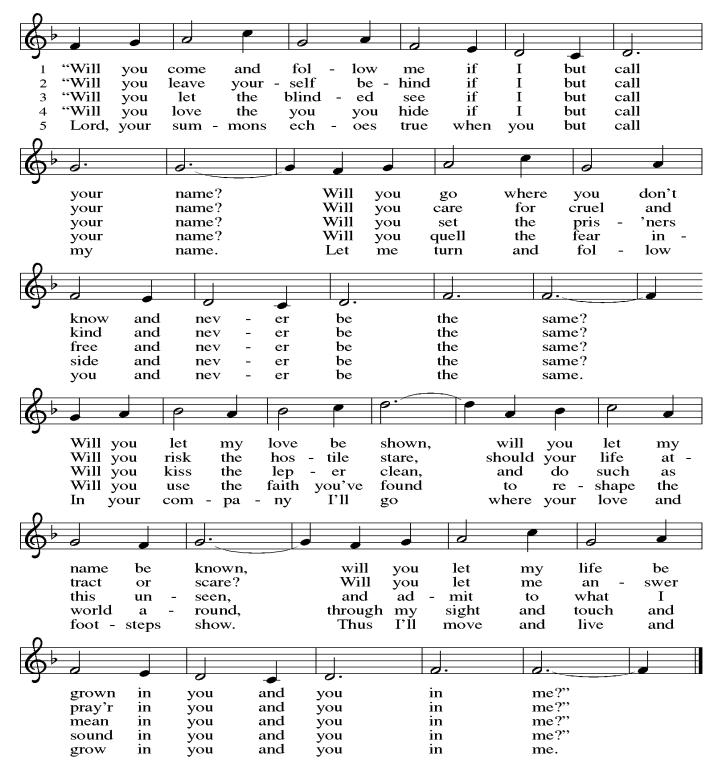
Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling



Text: Timothy Rees, 1874–1939, alt. Music: IN BABILONE, Oude en Nieuwe Hollantse Boerenlities en Contradansen, 1710; arr. Julius Röntgen, 1855–1932

#### Will You Come And Follow Me" ELW 798 Will You Come and Follow Me

The Summons



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 Music: KELVINGROVE, Scottish traditional
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The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. Amen.

Please join me in the prayer.

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 towards you and in fervent love towards one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

**Blessing** 

# **Closing Hymn**

Here I Am, Lord



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#### Dismissal

Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.