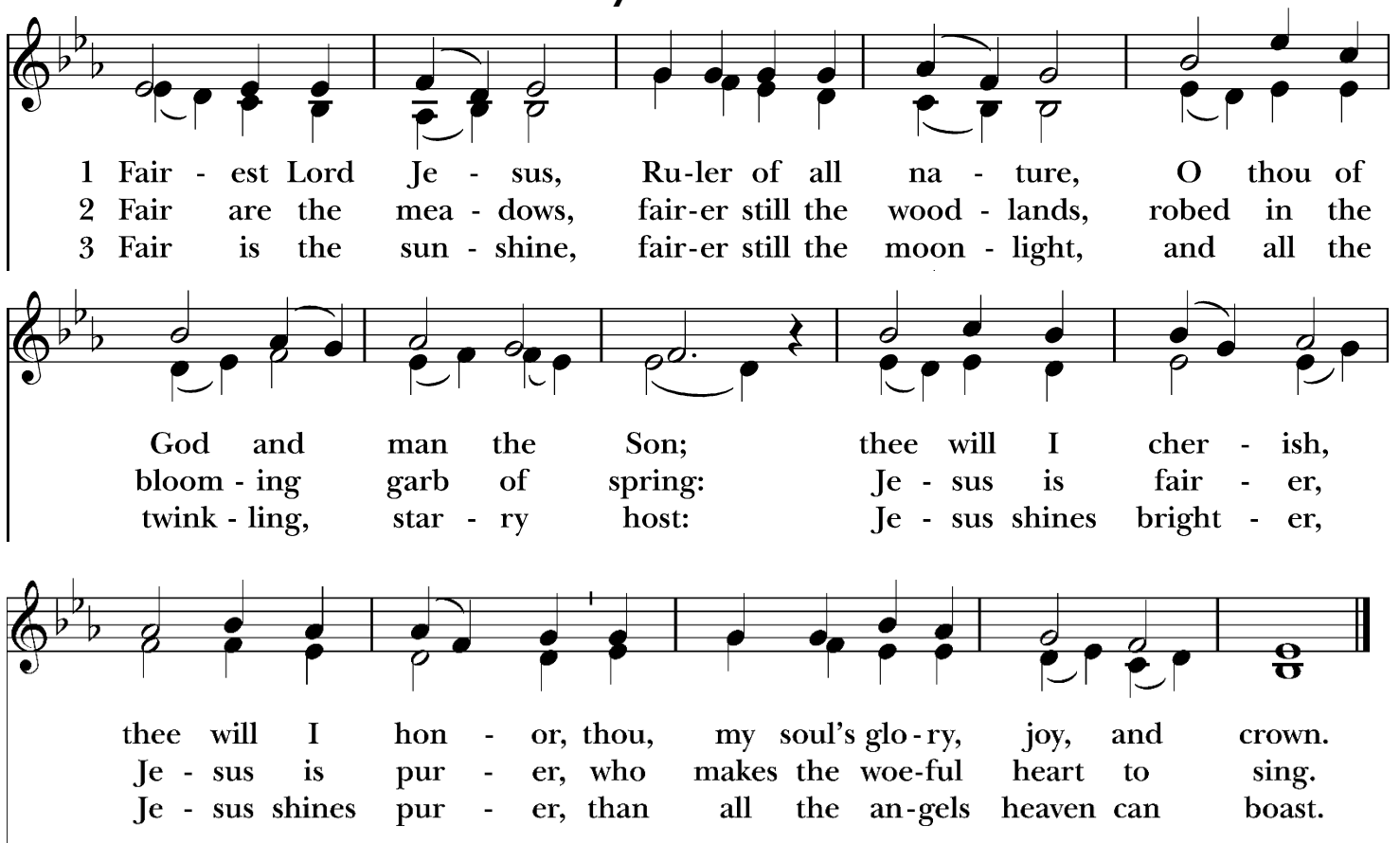


18 October 2026
TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

We Sing

Fairest Lord Jesus *Hymnal 383*



1 Fair - est Lord Je - sus, Ru - ler of all na - ture, O thou of
2 Fair are the mea - dows, fair - er still the wood - lands, robed in the
3 Fair is the sun - shine, fair - er still the moon - light, and all the

God and man the Son; thee will I cher - ish,
bloom - ing garb of spring: Je - sus is fair - er,
twink - ling, star - ry host: Je - sus shines bright - er,

thee will I hon - or, thou, my soul's glo - ry, joy, and crown.
Je - sus is pur - er, who makes the woe - ful heart to sing.
Je - sus shines pur - er, than all the an - gels heaven can boast.

Again, I Say Rejoice

Chorus

Rejoice in the Lord always
And again, I say (and) again I say
Rejoice in the Lord always
And again, I say (and) again I say rejoice

Verse

Come bless the Lord come bless the Lord
Draw near to worship Christ the Lord
And bless His name His holy name
Declaring He is good

Pre-Chorus

O that men would praise Him / O that men would praise Him

We Pray

**Lord, you tell us to rejoice in you always,
again, you say: rejoice!
Transform us and our world
into a place of justice and love,
and grant us joy for life and peace,
in Jesus' name.
Amen.**

Please be seated

We Hear God's Word

First Lesson

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Philippians (4:1-9)

My brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me

in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life.

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Please stand

Gospel Song

In My Life, Be Glorified
LEVAS 216

The musical score is written for a three-part setting in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, using mostly half and quarter notes. The lyrics are provided below the notes, with three different verses. The first verse ends with a double bar line, and the second verse continues the melody.

1. In my life, Lord, be glo-ri - fied, be glo - ri - fied;—
2. In my song, Lord, be glo-ri - fied, be glo - ri - fied;—
3. In your church, Lord, be glo-ri - fied, be glo - ri - fied;—

1. In my life, Lord, be glo - ri - fied to - day.
2. In my song, Lord, be glo - ri - fied to - day.
3. In your church, Lord, be glo - ri - fied to - day.

Gospel Lesson

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew (22:15-22)

Glory to you, Lord Christ

The Pharisees went and plotted to entrap Jesus in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, “Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?” But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, “Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax.” And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, “Whose head is this, and whose title?” They answered, “The emperor’s.” Then he said to them, “Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor’s, and to God the things that are God’s.” When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

The Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you, Lord Christ

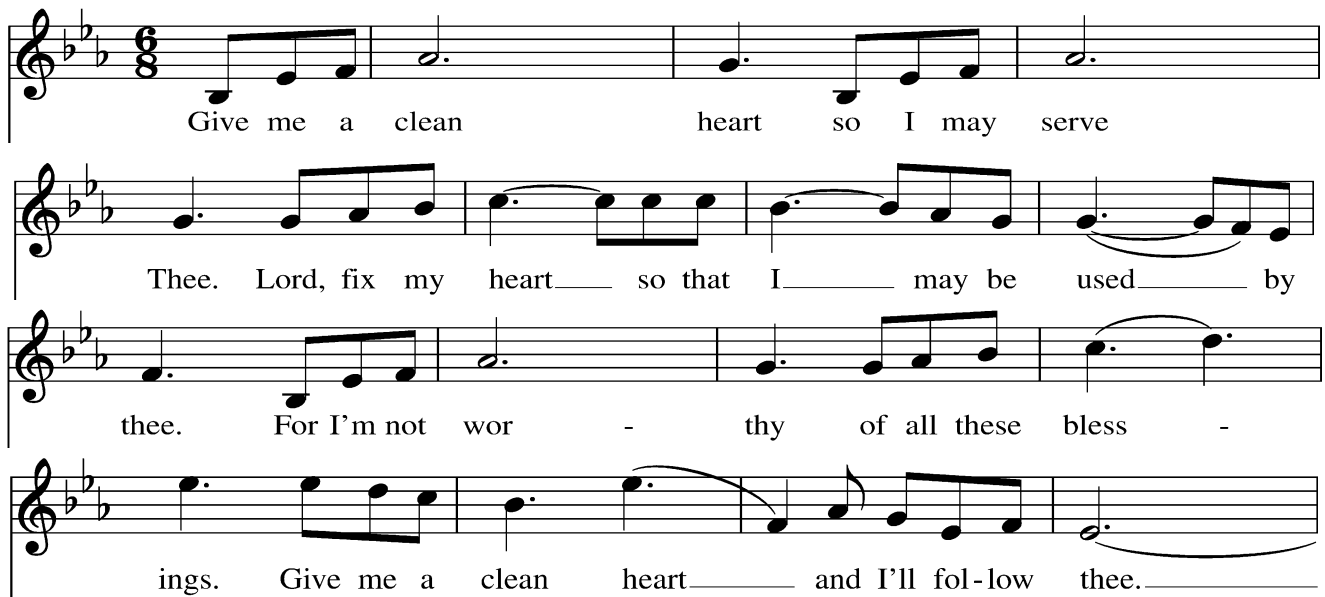
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Sermon

We Set the Table

Give Me a Clean Heart

LEVAS 124



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Christ Feeds Us

Celebrant

The Lord be with you.

People

And also with you.

Celebrant

Lift up your hearts.

People

We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, my heart, my heart a - dores you! My
 San - to, san - to, san - to, mi cor - a - zon te a - do - ra! Mi
 heart is glad to say the words: you are ho - ly, Lord.
 cor - a - zon te sa - be de - cir: san - to e - res Se - ñor.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,
We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God,

to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**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,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

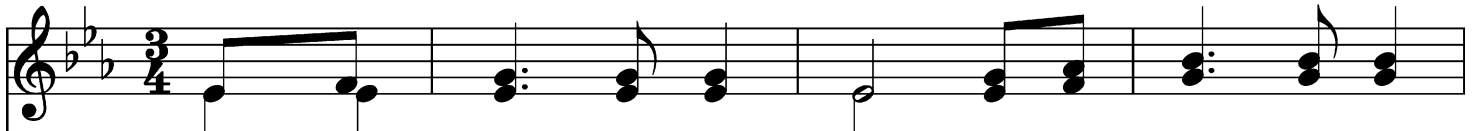
Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

The gifts of God for the People of God

During Communion

Is Your All on the Altar

LEVAS 135



1. You have longed for sweet peace and for faith to in -
2. Would you walk with the Lord in the light of His
3. O we nev - er can know what the Lord will be -



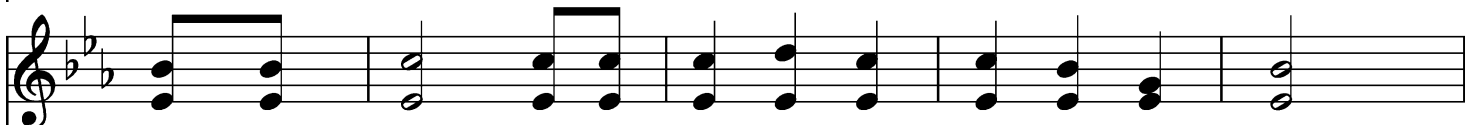
1. crease, And have ear - nest - ly, fer - vent - ly prayed; _____
2. word, And have peace and con - tent - ment al - way? _____
3. stow Of the bless - ings for which we have prayed _____



1. But you can - not have rest or be per - fect - ly blest
2. You must do His sweet will to be free from all ill,
3. Till our bod - y and soul He doth ful - ly con - trol,



1. Un - til all on the al - tar is laid. _____
2. On the al - tar your all you must lay. _____
3. And our all on the al - tar is laid. _____



Is your all on the al - tar of sac - ri - fice laid?

Your heart does the Spir - it con - trol? _____

You can on - ly be blest and have peace and sweet rest

As you yield Him your bod - y and soul. _____

Post-Communion Prayer

**Eternal God, heavenly Father,
 you have graciously accepted us as living members
 of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
 and you have fed us with spiritual food
 in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
 Send us now into the world in peace,
 and grant us strength and courage
 to love and serve you
 with gladness and singleness of heart;
 through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Announcements & Blessing

We Sing

How Firm a Foundation

Hymnal 636



1 How firm a foun - da - tion, ye saints of the Lord,
2 "Fear not, I am with thee; O be not dis - mayed!
3 "When through the deep wa - ters I call thee to go,



1 is laid for your faith in his ex - cel - lent word!
2 For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;
3 the riv - ers of woe shall not thee o - ver - flow;



1 What more can he say than to you he hath said,
2 I'll strength - en thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,
3 for I will be with thee, thy trou - bles to bless,



1 to you that for ref - uge to Je - sus have fled?
2 up - held by my right - eous, om - ni - po - tent hand.
3 and sanc - ti - fy to thee thy deep - est dis - tress.

We're Sent

Alleluia! Alleluia! Let us go forth, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit
Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

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