



# Welcome to Worship!

Palm Sunday

April 2, 2023

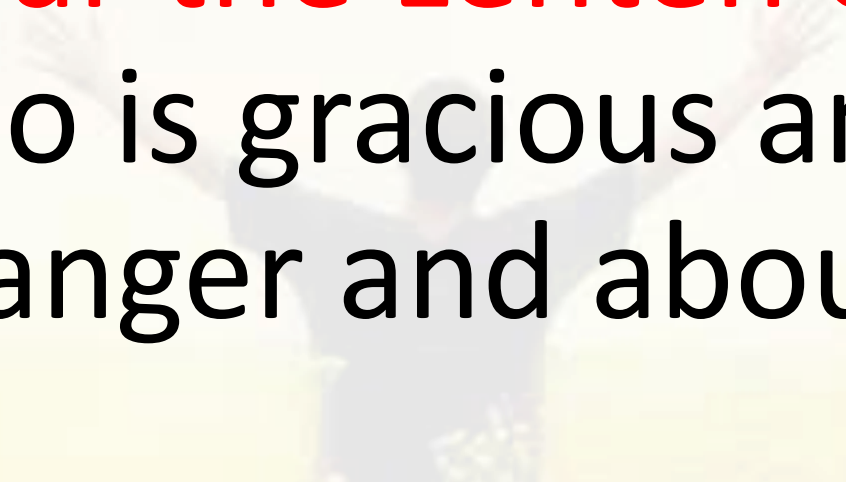
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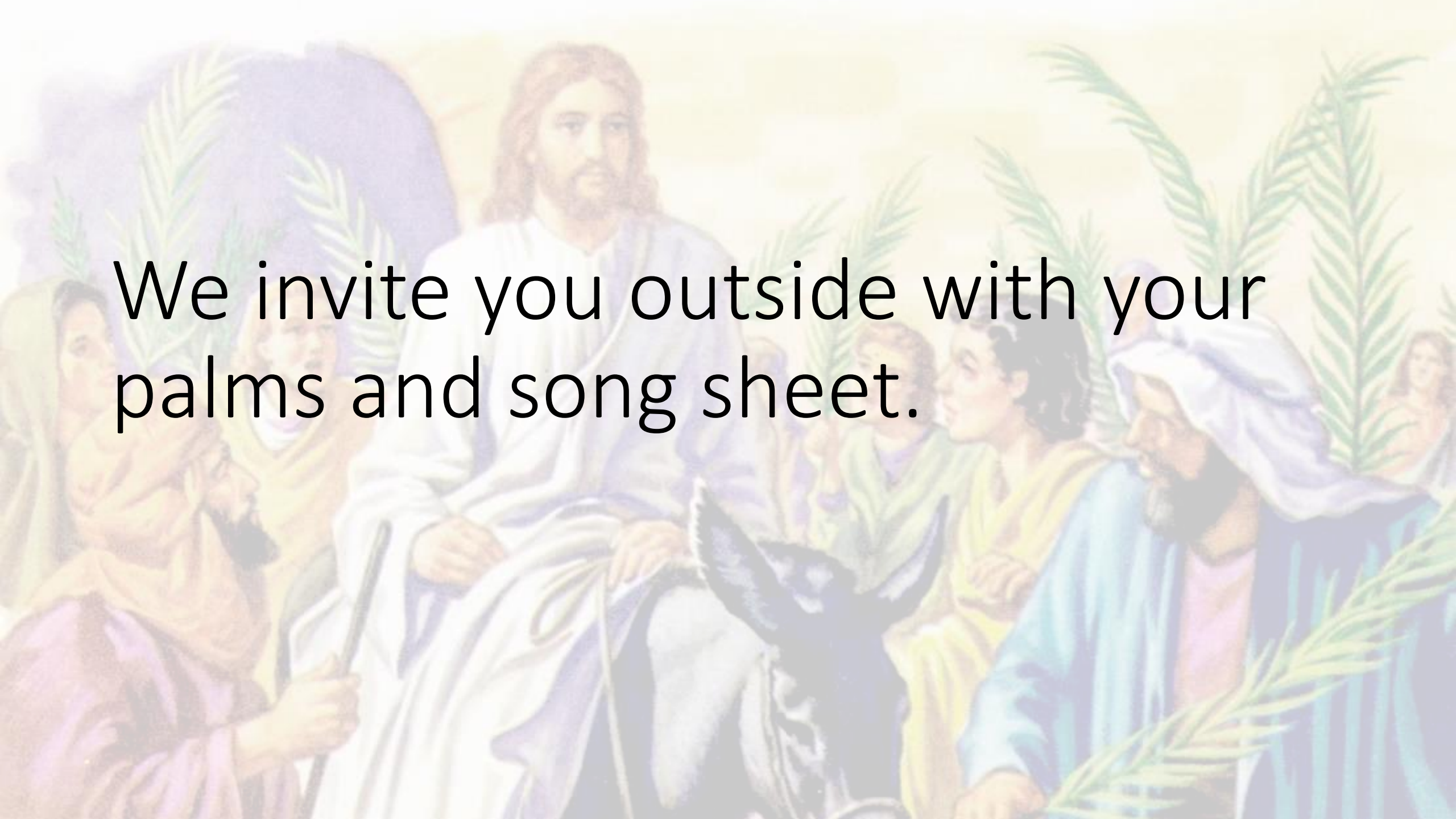
Gathering Song:	# 344
Song of the Day:	# 928
Offertory:	#All Are Welcome
Communion Hymn:	# 779
Sending Song:	# 346 verses 1-3

**We live stream our worship services.**

# Welcome

People of God, hear the Lenten call:  
Return to God who is gracious and  
merciful, slow to anger and abounding  
in steadfast love.

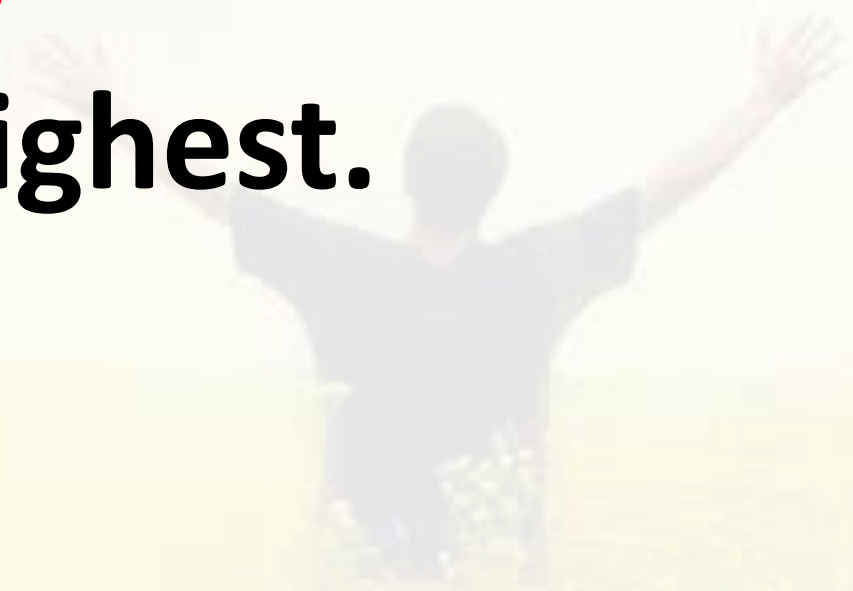




We invite you outside with your palms and song sheet.

Blessed is the one who comes in the  
name of the Lord.

**Hosanna in the highest.**

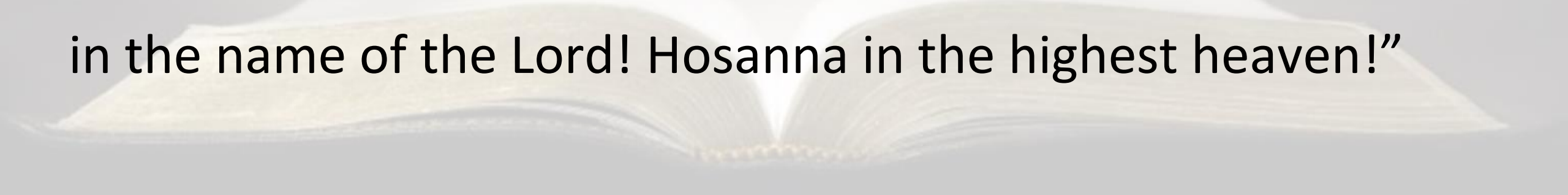


# Mathew 21:1-11

When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, <sup>2</sup>saying to them, “Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. <sup>3</sup>If anyone says anything to you, just say this, ‘The Lord needs them.’ And he will send them immediately.” <sup>4</sup>This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet, saying,



<sup>5</sup>“Tell the daughter of Zion, Look, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.” <sup>6</sup>The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; <sup>7</sup>they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. <sup>8</sup>A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. <sup>9</sup>The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting, “Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!”



<sup>10</sup>When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, “Who is this?” <sup>11</sup>The crowds were saying, “This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee.”



The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

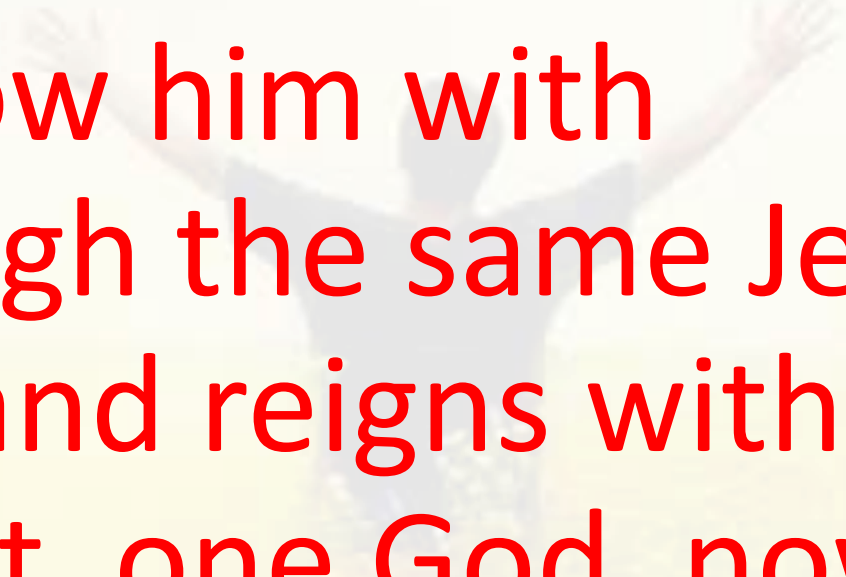
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give God thanks and  
praise.**



We praise and thank you, O God, for the great acts of love by which you have redeemed us through your Son, Jesus Christ. On this day he entered the holy city of Jerusalem in triumph and was acclaimed son of David and King of kings by those who scattered their garments and branches of palm in his path.


We ask that you bless these branches and those who bear them, and grant that we may ever hail him as our Lord and King and follow him with confidence; through the same Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**



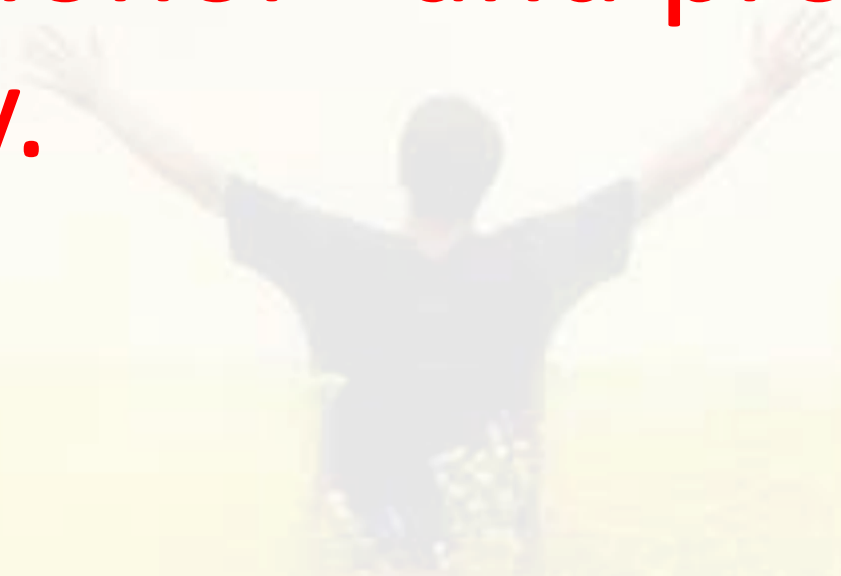
Let us go forth in peace, **in the name of Christ. Amen.**

The arc from triumphant entry to rage and death is short indeed. On this Sunday, we stand between triumphant entry and the passion of our Lord.

It is a rich place to stand, the perfect place from which to walk the way of the cross with Jesus. The intensity of that walk prepares us for both the suffering of the cross and the triumph of resurrection.

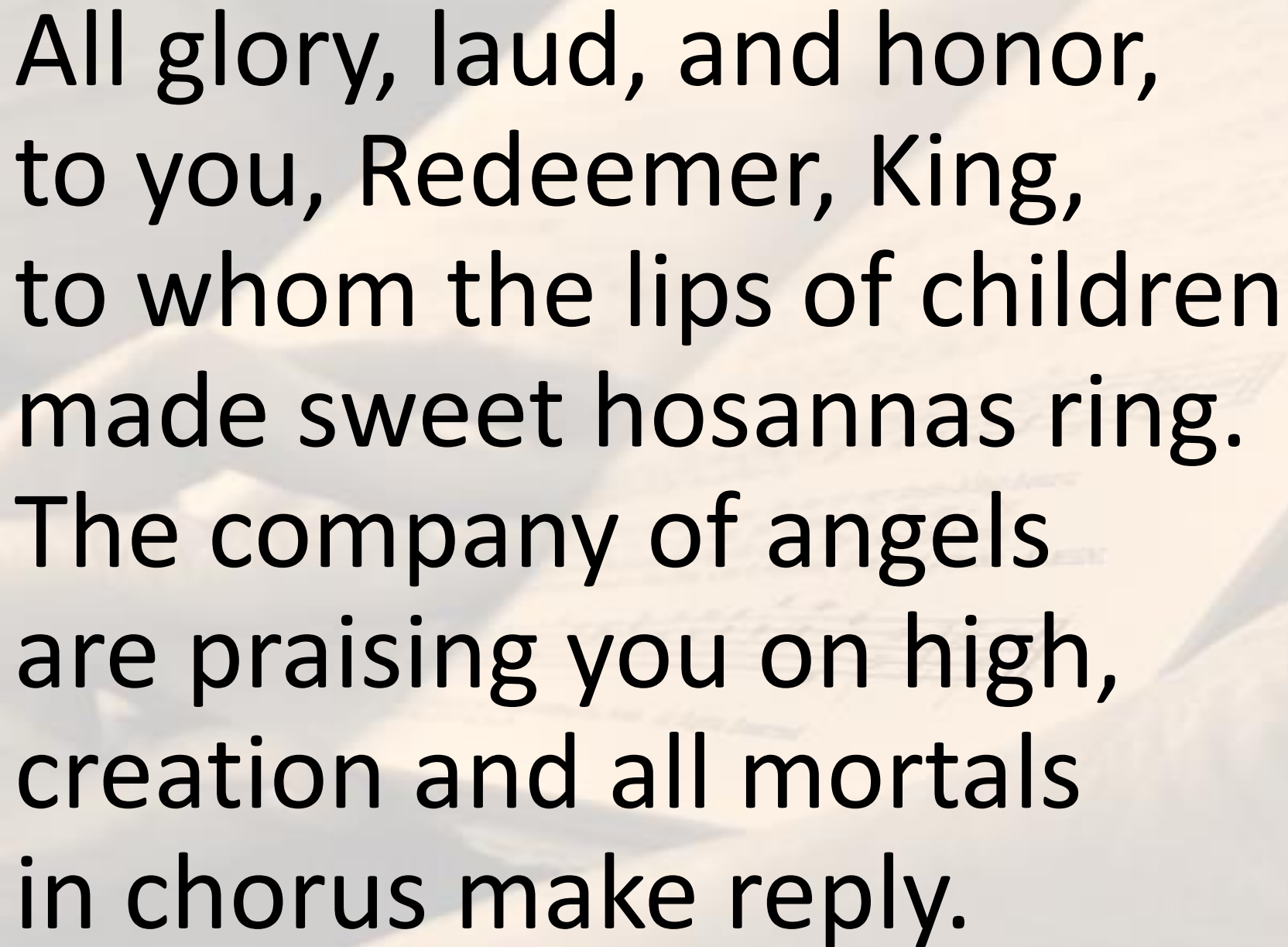


We begin this walk by celebrating Jesus' entrance into Jerusalem as we sing "All Glory, Laud, and Honor" and process into the sanctuary.



All glory, laud, and honor,  
to you, Redeemer, King,  
to whom the lips of children  
made sweet hosannas ring.  
You are the King of Israel,  
and David's royal Son,  
now in the Lord's name coming  
our King and Blessed One.

Hymn # 344 All Glory, Laud, and Honor

The background features an open book with its pages slightly blurred, and a white dove is perched on top of the book, facing right. The overall scene is softly lit, creating a peaceful and reverent atmosphere.

All glory, laud, and honor,  
to you, Redeemer, King,  
to whom the lips of children  
made sweet hosannas ring.  
The company of angels  
are praising you on high,  
creation and all mortals  
in chorus make reply.

Hymn # 344 All Glory, Laud, and Honor

All glory, laud, and honor,  
to you, Redeemer, King,  
to whom the lips of children  
made sweet hosannas ring.  
The multitude of pilgrims  
with palms before you went;  
our praise and prayer and anthems  
before you we present.

Hymn # 344 All Glory, Laud, and Honor

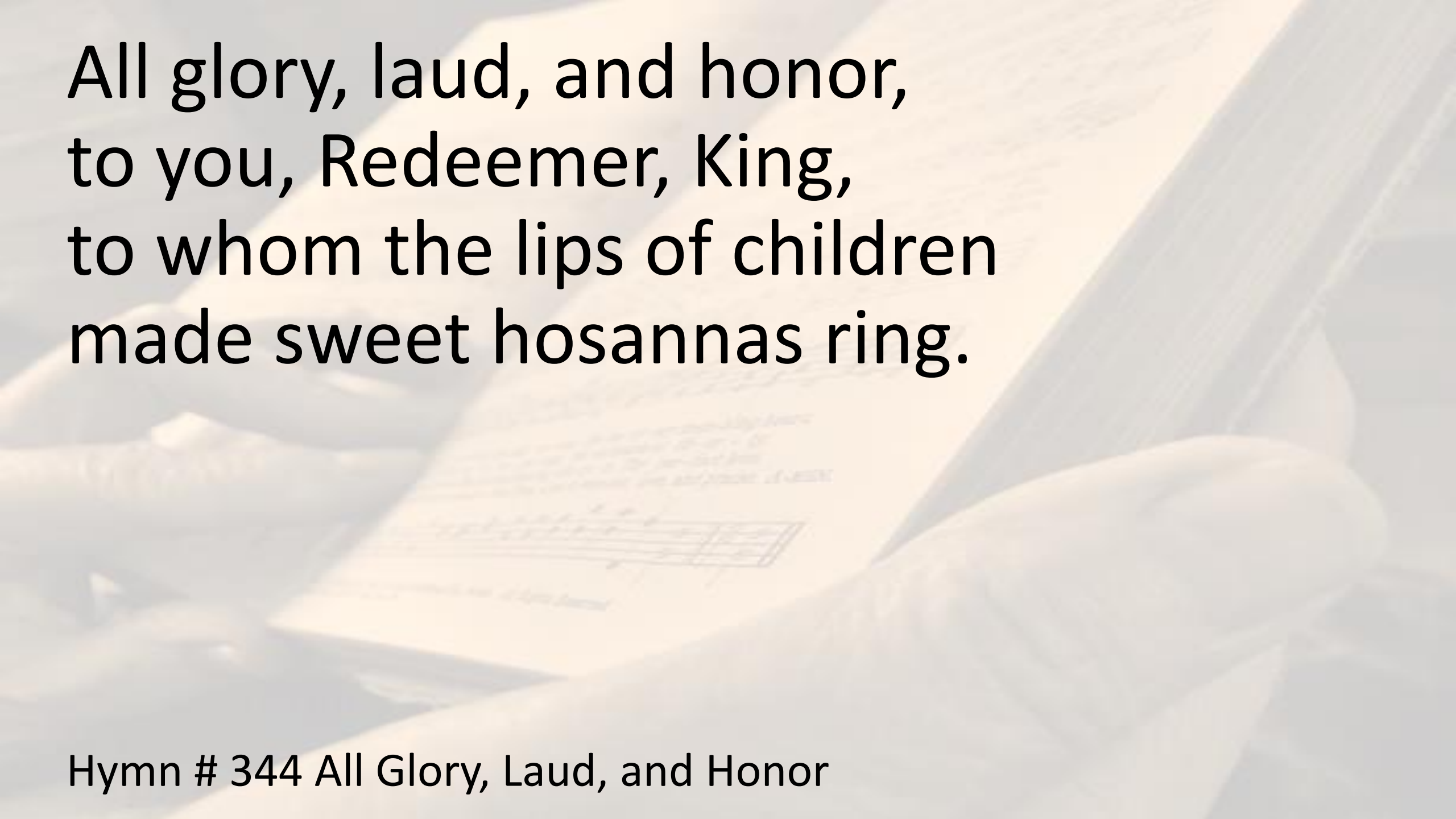


All glory, laud, and honor,  
to you, Redeemer, King,  
to whom the lips of children  
made sweet hosannas ring.  
To you, before your Passion,  
they sang their hymns of praise;  
to you, now high exalted,  
our melody we raise.

Hymn # 344 All Glory, Laud, and Honor

All glory, laud, and honor,  
to you, Redeemer, King,  
to whom the lips of children  
made sweet hosannas ring.  
Their praises you accepted;  
accept the prayers we bring,  
great author of all goodness,  
O good and gracious King.

Hymn # 344 All Glory, Laud, and Honor

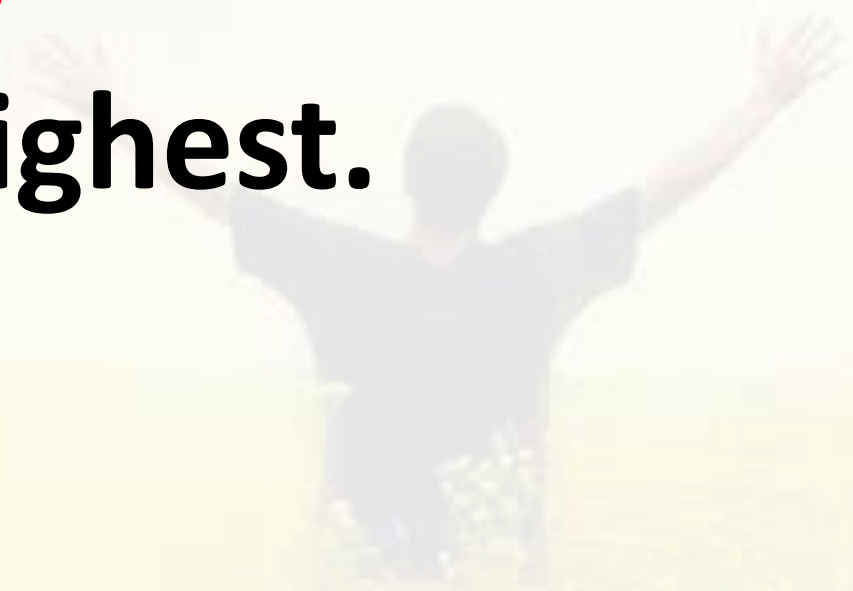


All glory, laud, and honor,  
to you, Redeemer, King,  
to whom the lips of children  
made sweet hosannas ring.

Hymn # 344 All Glory, Laud, and Honor

Blessed is the one who comes in the  
name of the Lord.

**Hosanna in the highest.**



**Sovereign God**, you have established your rule in the human heart through the servanthood of Jesus Christ. By your Spirit, keep us in the joyful procession of those who with their tongues confess Jesus as Lord and with their lives praise him as Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Prayer of the Day



*Promesa de Esperanza*

## Faith in Motion

*As we prepare to put our faith in motion, we sing together:*

Take my life that I may be  
consecrated, Lord, to thee  
take my moments and my days  
let them flow in ceaseless praise

# Sermon





Jesus is coming. Pave the way with branches.  
Jesus is coming. Hosanna.  
Jesus is coming. Pave the way with branches.  
Jesus is coming. Hosanna.  
Hosanna, Jesus is coming.  
Hosanna to the Prince of Peace.  
Hosanna, Jesus is coming.  
Hosanna to the Prince of Peace.

Hymn # 928 Pave the Way with Branches

Release for the captives. Pave the way with  
branches.

Release for the captives. Hosanna.

Release for the captives. Pave the way with  
branches.

Release for the captives. Hosanna.

Hosanna, Jesus is coming.

Hosanna to the Prince of Peace.

Hosanna, Jesus is coming.

Hosanna to the Prince of Peace.

Hope for the dountrod. Pave the way with  
branches.

Hope for the dountrod. Hosanna.

Hope for the dountrod . Pave the way with  
branches.

Hope for the dountrod. Hosanna.

Hosanna, Jesus is coming.

Hosanna to the Prince of Peace.

Hosanna, Jesus is coming.

Hosanna to the Prince of Peace.

Land for the landless. Pave the way with  
branches.

Land for the landless. Hosanna.

Land for the landless. Pave the way with  
branches.

Land for the landless. Hosanna.

Hosanna, Jesus is coming.

Hosanna to the Prince of Peace.

Hosanna, Jesus is coming.

Hosanna to the Prince of Peace.

Debts are forgiven. Pave the way with  
branches.

Debts are forgiven. Hosanna.

Debts are forgiven. Pave the way with  
branches.

Debts are forgiven. Hosanna.

Hosanna, Jesus is coming.

Hosanna to the Prince of Peace.

Hosanna, Jesus is coming.

Hosanna to the Prince of Peace.



*At the conclusion of each petition, we say:*

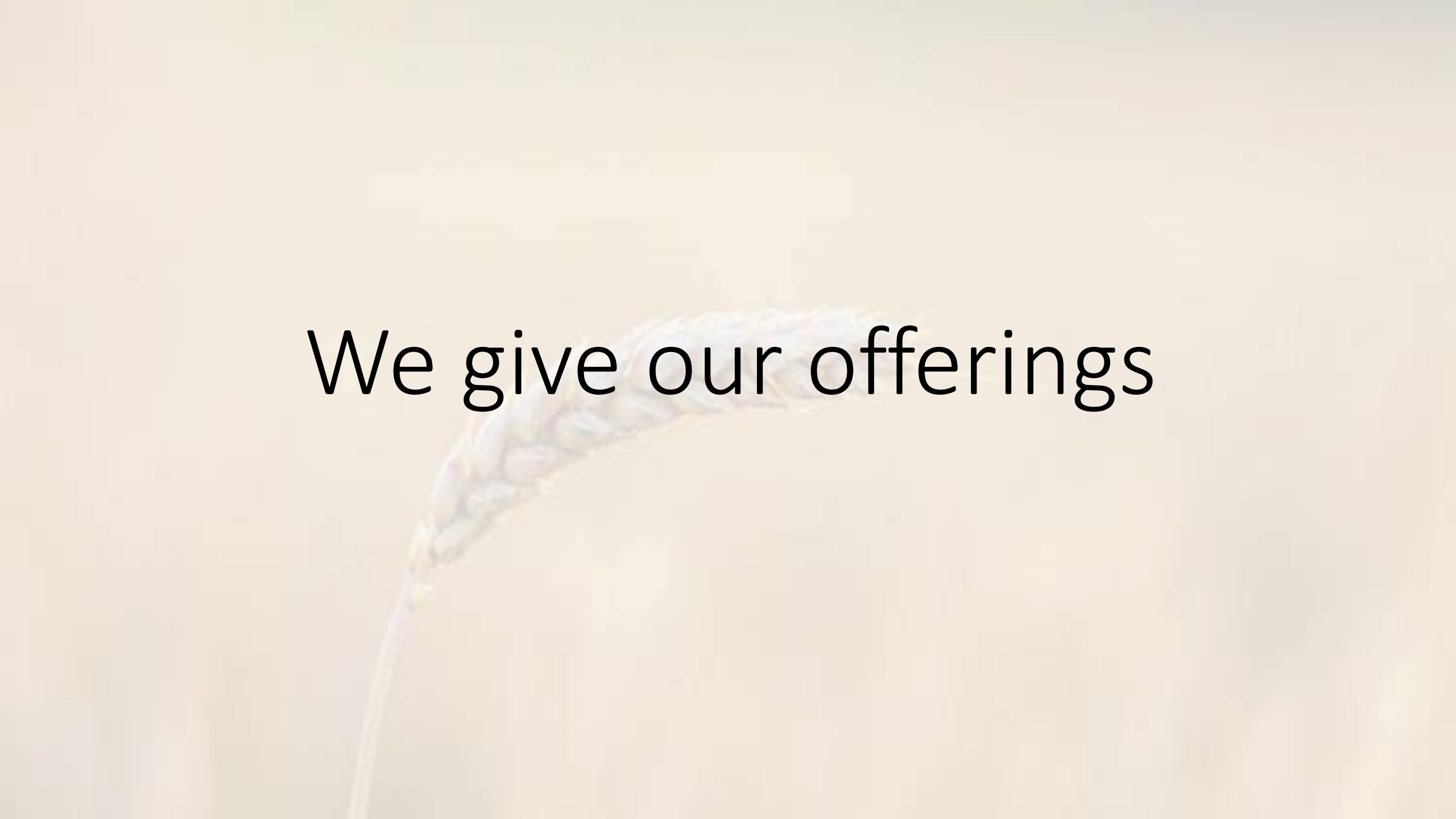
***Gracious God, hear our prayer.***

## Passing of the Peace

The Peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*Please share a sign of Christ's peace with one another.*



We give our offerings



All are welcome, friend and stranger, at the banquet of the Savior. All are welcome. All are welcome here.

Go into the streets and cities, to the farms and families, tell about the splendid table, God's mercy.

All are welcome, friend and stranger, at the banquet of the Savior. All are welcome. All are welcome here.

Offertory Hymn: All Are Welcome, refrain, verse 3, refrain

**God our provider, you have not fed us with bread alone, but with words of grace and life. Bless us and these your gifts, which we receive from your bounty, through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

Offering Prayer

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Great Thanksgiving

Let us give thanks to the Lord our  
God.

It is right to give God thanks and  
praise.

Communion

# Proper Preface

Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of power and might,  
Heav'n and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes  
in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

Sanctus (Holy, Holy), ELW setting 10

# Words of Institution

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.



*We receive Holy Communion by intinction. Once we receive the bread or gluten-free wafer, you may dip it in the non-alcoholic wine. Individual cups of non-alcoholic wine are available for those who prefer an individual cup. As our offertory hymn proclaims: All are welcome, friend and stranger, at the banquet of the Savior. All are welcome here!*

O Lamb of God, you bear the sin  
of all the world away;  
you suffered death our lives to save:  
have mercy now we pray.

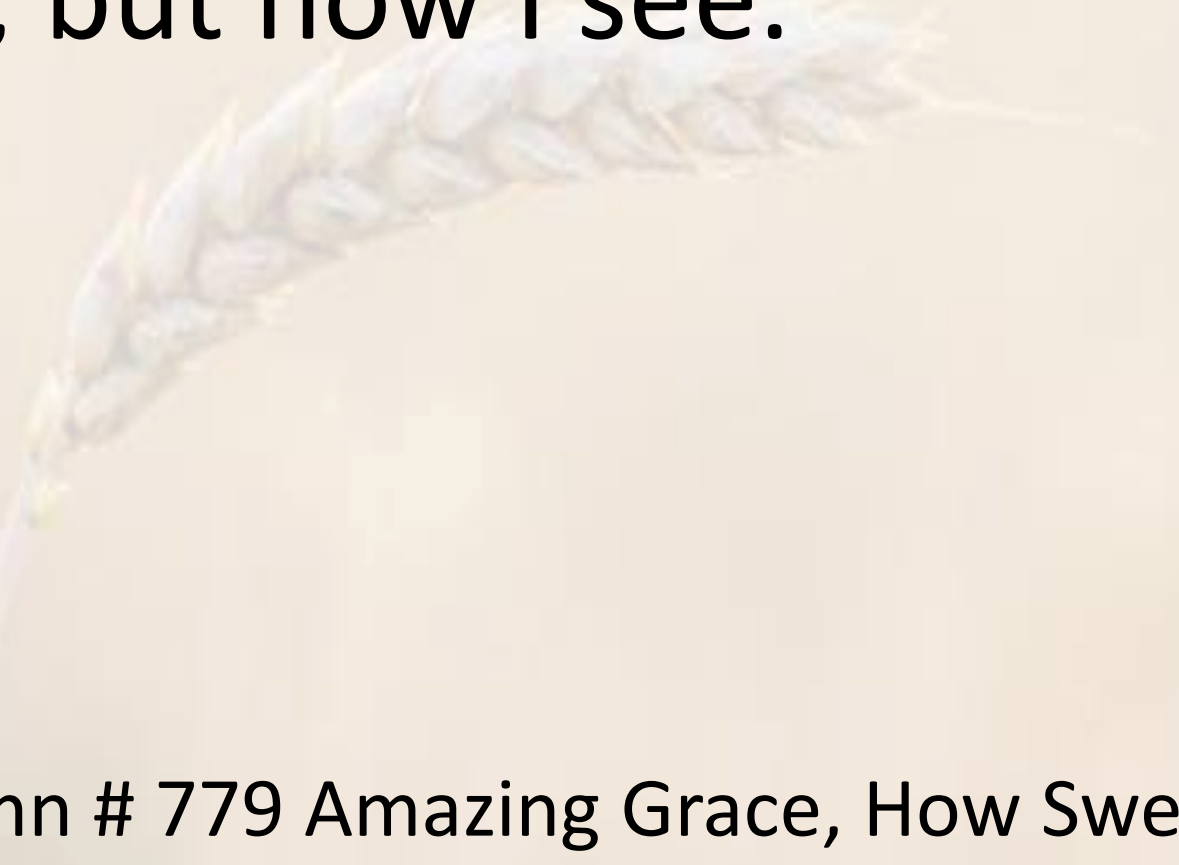
O Lamb of God, you bear the sin  
of all the world away;  
you set us free from guilt and grave:  
have mercy now we pray.

Lamb of God, ELW setting 10

O Lamb of God, you bear the sin  
of all the world away;  
eternal peace with God you made:  
give us your peace, we pray.

Lamb of God, ELW setting 10

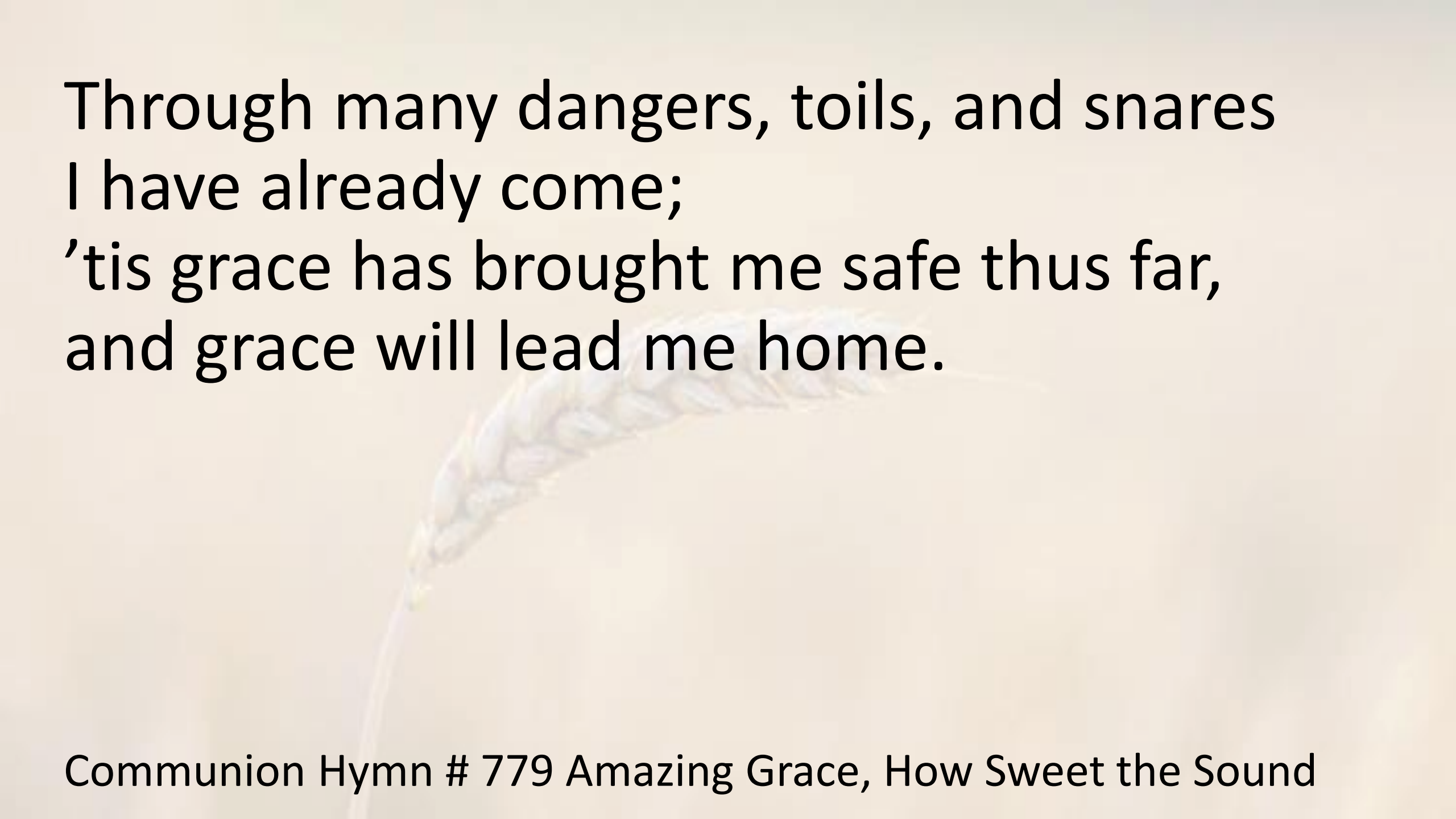
Amazing grace, how sweet the sound  
that saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost, but now am found;  
was blind, but now I see.



Communion Hymn # 779 Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,  
and grace my fears relieved;  
how precious did that grace appear  
the hour I first believed!

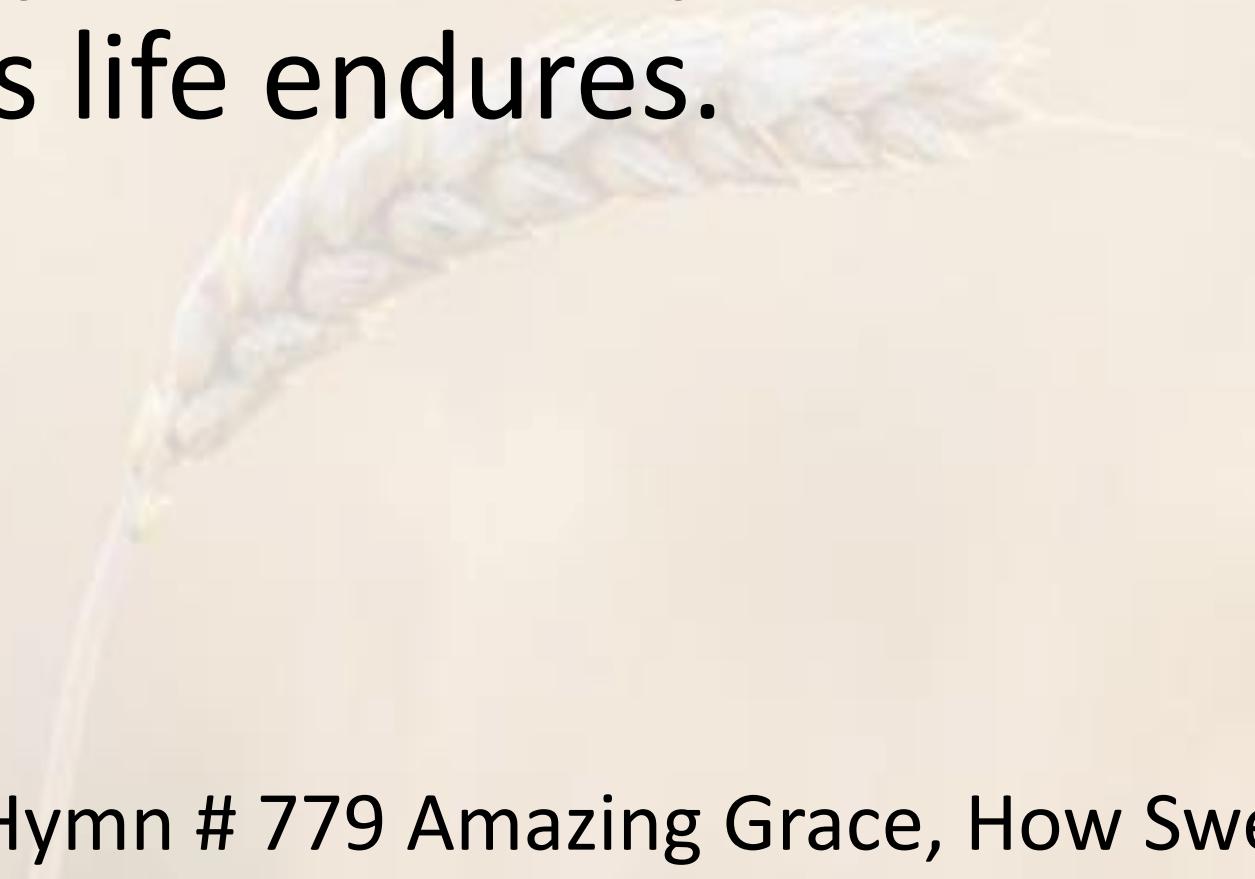
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Through many dangers, toils, and snares  
I have already come;  
'tis grace has brought me safe thus far,  
and grace will lead me home.

Communion Hymn # 779 Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

The Lord has promised good to me;  
his Word my hope secures;  
he will my shield and portion be  
as long as life endures.



Communion Hymn # 779 Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

When we've been there ten thousand years,  
bright shining as the sun,  
we've no less days to sing God's praise  
than when we'd first begun.

Communion Hymn # 779 Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound



# Table Blessing



## Prayer of Discernment

**God of grace and love, you have a dream for us. Open the eyes of our hearts to see you at work. Unstop our ears to hear the call of your spirit. Unbind us from our fears that we might go where you lead.**

*Silence for reflection: Where might God be leading us?*

We pray by the Spirit's power in Jesus' name. **Amen.**



Prayer of Discernment

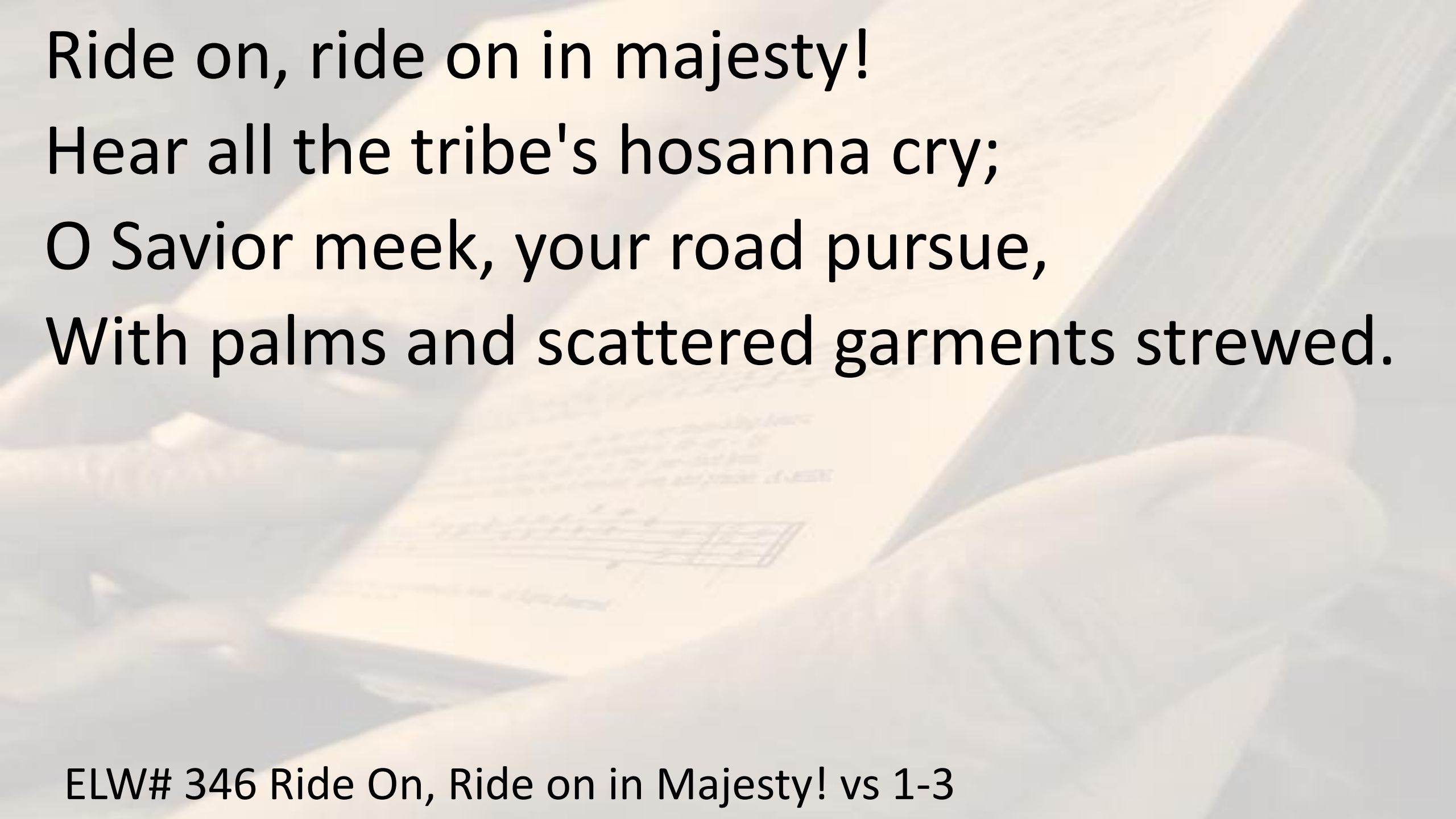


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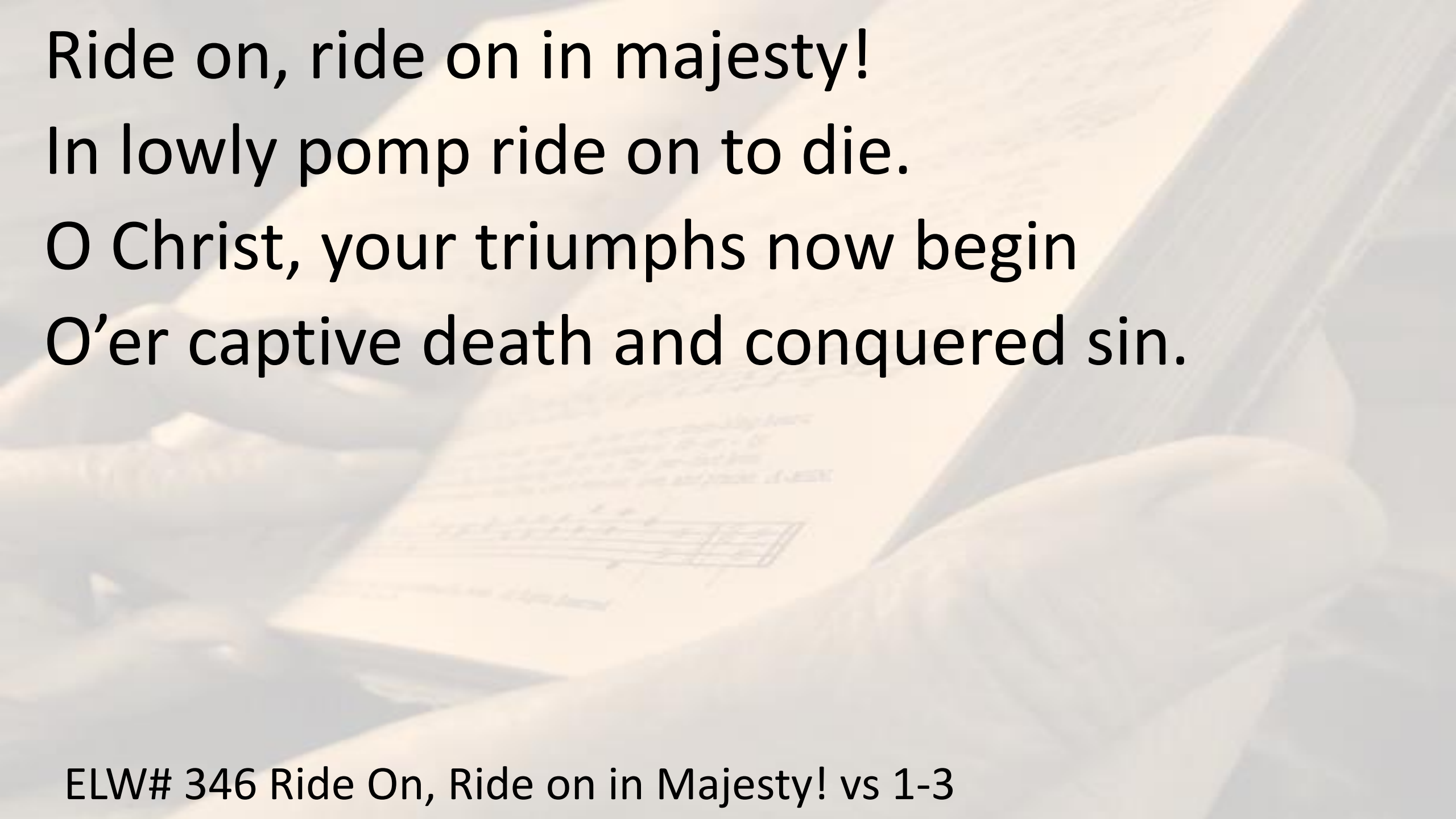
# Blessing

May we know the presence of God as we journey from the joyful palm procession through the beauty of foot washing and the agony of Jesus' crucifixion. In joy and in sorrow, in life and in death, God is with us.

**Amen.**

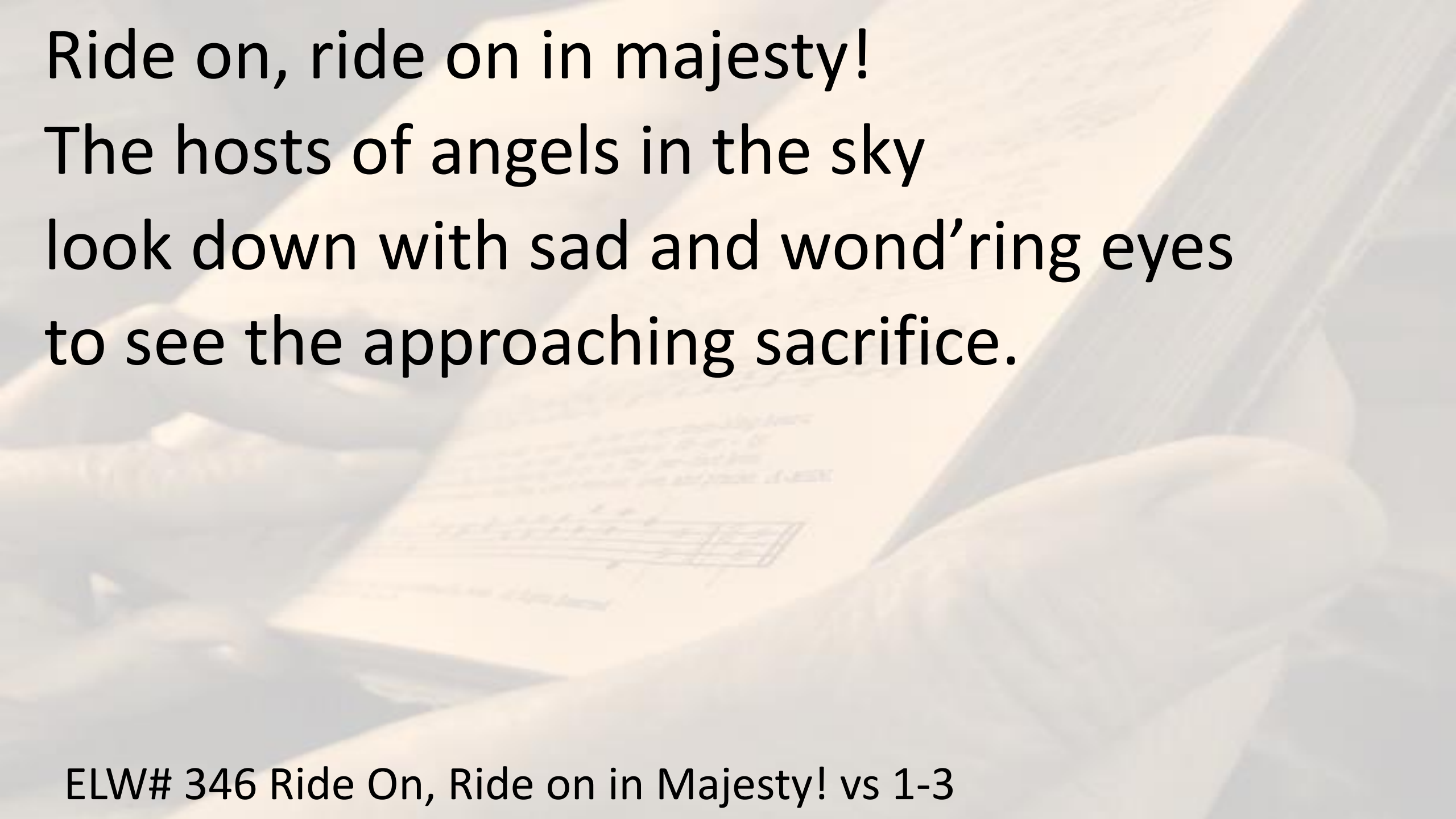


Ride on, ride on in majesty!  
Hear all the tribe's hosanna cry;  
O Savior meek, your road pursue,  
With palms and scattered garments strewed.



Ride on, ride on in majesty!  
In lowly pomp ride on to die.  
O Christ, your triumphs now begin  
O'er captive death and conquered sin.

ELW# 346 Ride On, Ride on in Majesty! vs 1-3



Ride on, ride on in majesty!  
The hosts of angels in the sky  
look down with sad and wond'ring eyes  
to see the approaching sacrifice.

ELW# 346 Ride On, Ride on in Majesty! vs 1-3



## Blessing

May we know the presence of God as we journey from the joyful palm procession through the beauty of foot washing and the agony of Jesus' crucifixion. In joy and in sorrow, in life and in death, God is with us. **Amen.**

Dismissal

Go in peace. Journey with God.

**Thanks be to God!**

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