

PRELUDE: Voluntary

William Goodwin

Please be seated as the choir sings the Call to Worship

CALL TO WORSHIP: Shall We Gather by the River by Copland

Choir

PRESENTATION OF THE WORD

(Peoples' responses in bold)

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10:00 AM ALTAR COPY

The people, standing

HYMN 535: Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim

1 Ye ser - vants of God, your Mas - ter pro - claim,
2 God rul - eth on high, al - might - y to save;
3 Sal - va - tion to God who sits on the throne!
4 Then let us a - dore, and give him his right:

and pub - lish a - broad his won - der - ful Name;
and still he is nigh: his pres - ence we have.
Let all cry a - loud, and hon - or the Son.
All glo - ry and power, all wis - dom and might,

the Name all - vic - to - rious of Je - sus ex - tol:
The great con - gre - ga - tion his tri - umph shall sing,
The prais - es of Je - sus the an - gels pro - claim,
and hon - or and bless - ing, with an - gels a - bove,

his king - dom is glo - rious; he rules o - ver all.
as - crib - ing sal - va - tion to Je - sus our King.
fall down on their fa - ces, and wor - ship the Lamb.
and thanks nev - er - ceas - ing and in - fi - nite love.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788), alt. Music: *Paderborn*, melody from *Catolisch-Paderbornisches Gesang-buch*, 1765; harm. Sydney Hugo Nicholson (1875-1947).

OPENING ACCLAMATION

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Presider Blessed be God: *[Sign of the cross]* Father, Son, and Holy Spirit
People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

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Presider *[Orans]* Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Sung in unison

Song of Praise, HYMN 288 (vs. 1): Praise to God, immortal praise

1 Praise to God, im - mor - tal praise, for the love that crowns our days;
2 All the plen - ty sum - mer pours; au - tumn's rich o'er - flow - ing stores;
3 As thy pros - per - ing hand hath blessed, may we give thee of our best;

boun-teous source of ev - ery joy, let thy praise our tongues em - ploy:
flocks that whit - en all the plain; yel-low sheaves of ri - pened grain:
and by deeds of kind - ly love for thy mer - cies grate - ful prove;

all to thee, our God, we owe, source whence all our bless - ings flow.
Lord, for these our souls shall raise grate - ful vows and sol - emn praise.
sing - ing thus through all our days praise to God, im - mor - tal praise.

Words: Anna Laetitia Barbauld (1743-1825). Music: *Dix*, melody Conrad Kocher (1786-1872); arr. William Henry Monk (1823-1889); harm. *The English Hymnal*, 1916.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

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Presider [Hands together] The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The people, seated

FIRST READING: Job 42:1-6, 10-17

Reader A reading from Job.

Job answered the LORD:

“I know that you can do all things,
and that no purpose of yours can be thwarted.

‘Who is this that hides counsel without knowledge?’
Therefore I have uttered what I did not understand,
 things too wonderful for me, which I did not know.
‘Hear, and I will speak;
 I will question you, and you declare to me.’
I had heard of you by the hearing of the ear,
 but now my eye sees you;
therefore I despise myself,
 and repent in dust and ashes.”

And the LORD restored the fortunes of Job when he had prayed for his friends; and the LORD gave Job twice as much as he had before. Then there came to him all his brothers and sisters and all who had known him before, and they ate bread with him in his house; they showed him sympathy and comforted him for all the evil that the LORD had brought upon him; and each of them gave him a piece of money and a gold ring. The LORD blessed the latter days of Job more than his beginning; and he had fourteen thousand sheep, six thousand camels, a thousand yoke of oxen, and a thousand donkeys. He also had seven sons and three daughters. He named the first Jemimah, the second Keziah, and the third Keren-happuch. In all the land there were no women so beautiful as Job’s daughters; and their father gave them an inheritance along with their brothers. After this Job lived for one hundred and forty years, and saw his children, and his children’s children, four generations. And Job died, old and full of days.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Sung in unison, beginning after the asterisk in the first verse

RESPONSE: Psalm 34:1-8, *Benedicam Dominum*

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1 I will bless the LORD at all / times; *
 his praise shall ever be in my / mouth.

- 2 I will glory in the / LORD; *
let the humble hear and re- / joice.
- 3 Proclaim with me the greatness of the / LORD; *
let us exalt his Name to- / gether.
- 4 I sought the LORD, and he / answered me *
and delivered me out of all my / terror.
- 5 Look upon him and be / radiant, *
and let not your faces be a- / shamed.
- 6 I called in my affliction and the LORD / heard me *
and saved me from all my / troubles.
- 7 The angel of the LORD encompasses those who / fear him, *
and he will de- / liver them.
- 8 Taste and see that the LORD is / good; *
happy are they who / trust in him!

SECOND READING: Hebrews 7:23-28

Reader A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

The former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office; but Jesus holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever. Consequently he is able for all time to save those who approach God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them.

For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, undefiled, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. Unlike the other high priests, he has no need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for those of the people; this he did once for all when he offered himself. For the law appoints as high priests those who are subject to weakness, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect forever.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

HYMN 493 (vs 1,2,3): O for a thousand tongues to sing

1 O for a thou - sand tongues to sing my dear Re - deem - er's praise,
2 My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, as - sist me to pro - claim
3 Je - sus! the Name that charms our fears and bids our sor - rows cease;
4 He speaks; and, lis - tening to his voice, new life the dead re - ceive,
5 Hear him, ye deaf; ye voice - less ones, your loos - ened tongues em - ploy;

1 the glo - ries of my God and King, the tri - umphs of his grace!
2 and spread through all the earth a - broad the hon - ors of thy Name.
3 'tis mu - sic in the sin - ner's ears, 'tis life and health and peace.
4 the mourn - ful bro - ken hearts re - joice, the hum - ble poor be - lieve.
5 ye blind, be - hold, your Sa - vior comes; and leap, ye lame, for joy!

6 Glory to God and praise and love
be now and ever given
by saints below and saints above,
the Church in earth and heav'n.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788), alt. Music: *Azmon*, Carl Gotthilf Gläser (1784-1829); adapt. and arr. Lowell Mason (1792-1872).

The people, standing as able through the Gospel Reading

[The presider moves to the center of the altar table, retrieves the Gospel Book, proceeds to the lectern, signs the cross over the altar book, and begins]

THE GOSPEL: Mark 10:46-52

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus and his disciples came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" Jesus stood still and said, "Call him here." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; get up, he is calling you." So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man said to him, "My teacher, let me see again." Jesus said to him, "Go; your faith has made you well." Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

[The Presider returns the Gospel Book to the stand on the Altar Table and returns to the lectern to begin the sermon]

*******All children are now invited to follow the Cross to Children's Chapel.*******

The people, seated

THE SERMON: The Rev. E. Weston

The people, standing as able

THE NICENE CREED *(In unison)*

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**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, *[low bow]* Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven *[low bow]*:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man. *[Stand erect]*
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection *[Sign of the cross]* of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

The People, standing as able. The Leader and People pray responsively.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

People *That we all may be one.*

Leader Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

People *That your Name may be glorified by all people.*

Leader We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

People *That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.*

Leader We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world; especially Glenn our Governor, Gerry our Representative, Tim and Mark our Senators, Joe our President, the justices and judges of the federal courts, Kristin our delegate and Jennifer our Senator to the state legislature, and the justices and judges of the commonwealth courts.

People *That there may be justice and peace on the earth.*

Leader We pray for the St. Francis Creche School, the Scouts, the Recovery Community of St. Francis, the Vestry and the Stewardship Committee. Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

People *That our works may find favor in your sight.*

Leader Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

People *That they may be delivered from their distress.*

Leader Give to the departed eternal rest.

People *Let light perpetual shine upon them.*

Leader We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

People *May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.*

Leader Let us pray for our own needs and those of others. Open the hands of your people to reach out in love to those around the world who are in fear for their lives, who face turbulent conditions caused by nature, and whose daily lives are made difficult by their circumstances: people in the

United States of America, people of Holy Family Church and Mills River, NC, people of the Ezo Diocese, Afghanistan, China, Gaza, Iran, Israel, Lebanon, the Palestinian Authority, Qatar, Russia, Ukraine, and the West Bank.

People *Hear our prayer.*

Leader We ask you to care for: Paula, Trevor, Clara Sue, David, Jessica, Jon, Tracey and David, Grace, Jennie, Sofia and Larry, Valerie, Rick, Debra, Eileen, Cathy, Taylor, Nancy, Bishop Isaac, Kelly and Alex, Nancy, Nick and Hilary, Linn, Ellen, and Dut. We ask you to pray for Kelsey Pendergraft and Duncan Haight as they prepare for Holy Matrimony.

People *Hear our prayer.*

Leader We ask your prayer of thanksgiving for the Altar Flowers, given to the Glory of God by Cate & Steve Riihimaki in celebration of daughter Grace whose birthday is on 29-OCT and son Dylan whose birthday is on 8-DEC; and by Elizabeth & Joshua Kim in celebration of their wedding anniversary.

People *Hear our prayer.*

CONCLUDING COLLECT

Presider O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The people, kneeling as able through the absolution

CONFESSION OF SIN

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Presider Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. *(Silence)*

All **Most merciful God,
we confess that 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 are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

ABSOLUTION

Presider Almighty God have mercy on you [*Sign the cross*], forgive you 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.**

EXCHANGE OF THE PEACE

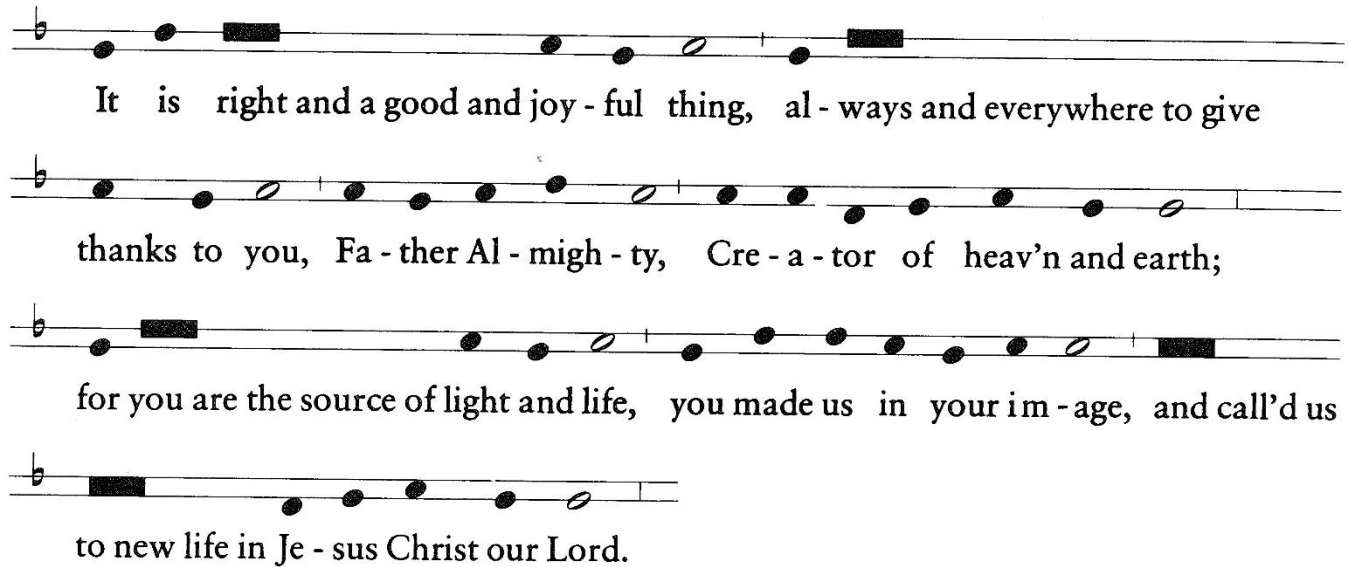
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Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

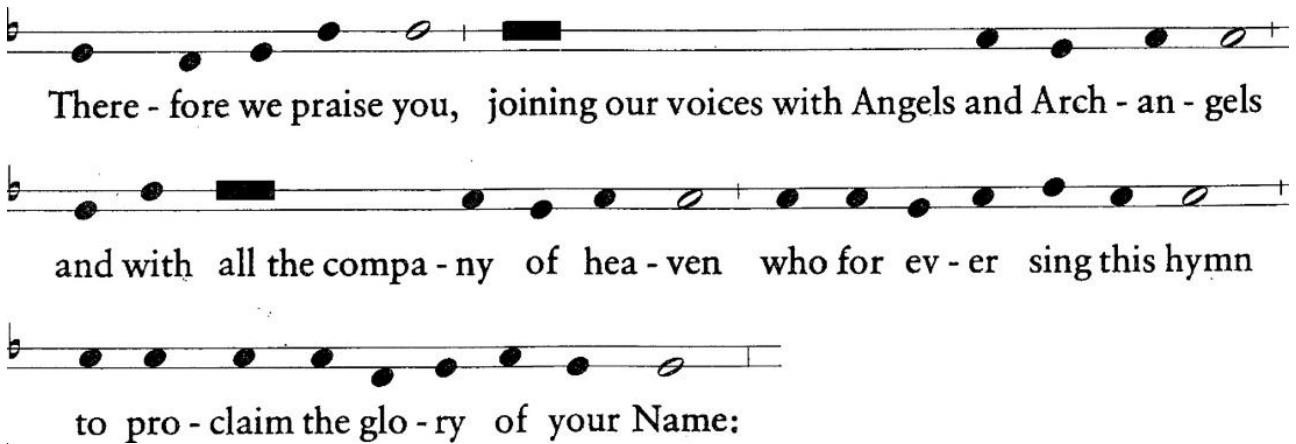
ANNOUNCEMENTS, BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES, AND LIFE TRANSITIONS

[Orans]

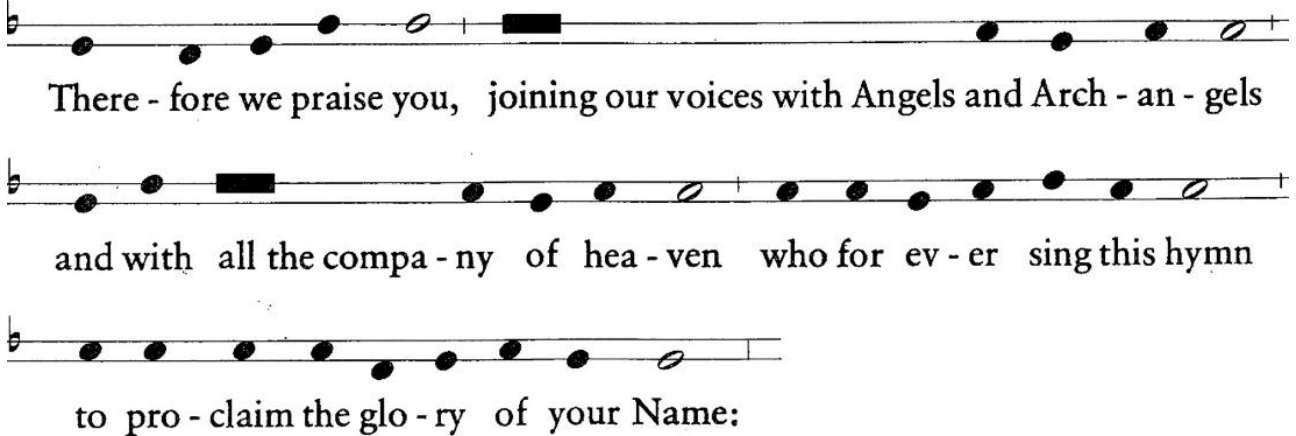
Presider



It is right and a good and joy - ful thing, al - ways and everywhere to give
thanks to you, Fa - ther Al - migh - ty, Cre - a - tor of heav'n and earth;
for you are the source of light and life, you made us in your im - age, and call'd us
to new life in Je - sus Christ our Lord.



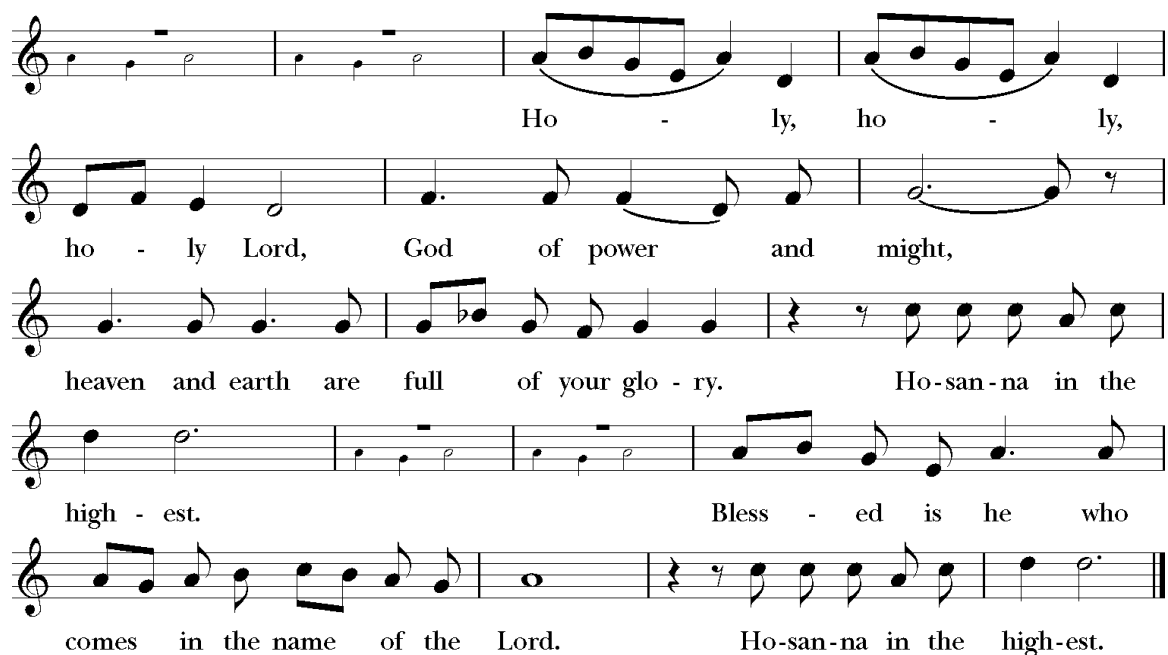
There - fore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Arch - an - gels
and with all the compa - ny of hea - ven who for ev - er sing this hymn
to pro - claim the glo - ry of your Name:



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and with all the compa - ny of hea - ven who for ev - er sing this hymn
to pro - claim the glo - ry of your Name:

Sung in unison

SANCTUS, S 128: Holy, holy, holy Lord [*Hands folded*]



Ho - ly, ho - ly,
ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. 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.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world. [*Bring your hands together*]

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or to lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread [*Hold the sides of the paten and next, tend to the gluten free 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." [*Bring your hands together*]

After supper he took the cup of wine [*Take hold of the chalice, then tend to the cruet*]; 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." [*Bring your hands together*]

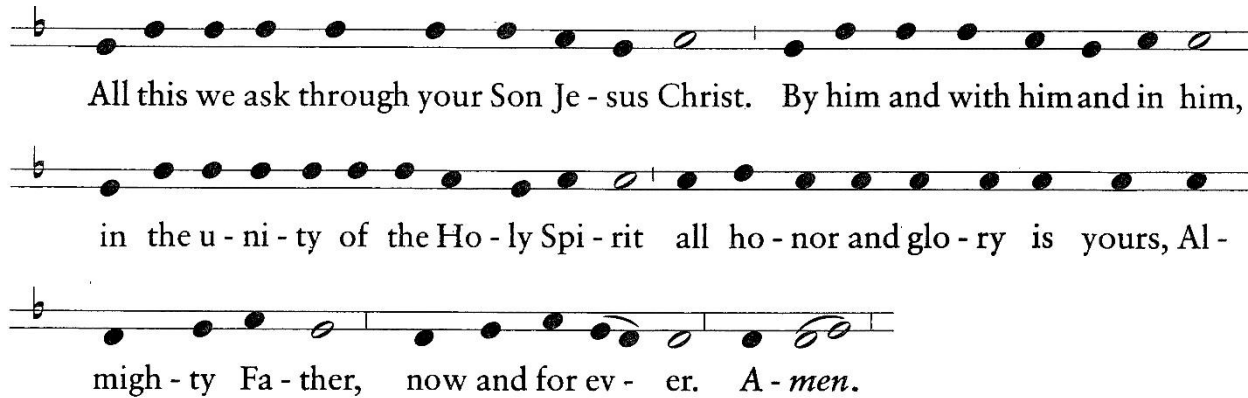
Therefore [*Orans*] we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify [*Epiclesis*] them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him [*Bring you hands together*]. Sanctify [*Low bow*] us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

[*Raise the paten and chalice over the table*]



All this we ask through your Son Je - sus Christ. By him and with him and in him,
in the u - ni - ty of the Ho - ly Spi - rit all ho - nor and glo - ry is yours, Al -
migh - ty Fa - ther, now and for ev - er. A - men.

[*Fold hands and low bow*]

Intoned by the Presider and People

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



Our Father, who art in heaven, Hal-lowed be thy name,



Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth, as it is in Heav-en



Give us this day our dai - ly bread, And forgive us our trespasses,



As we forgive those who tres-pass a-against us. And lead us not in - to



temp-tation, but de-liv - er us from e - vil. For thine is the kingdom,



and the power and the glo - ry. For ev - er and ev - er, A - men.

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[Bring hands together]

[Pick the bread off the paten and break it, then hold it over the cup and say]

FRACTION ANTHEM, S 158: Lamb of God, Agnus Dei

O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a -
way the sins of the world, have mer - cy up -
on us. O Lamb of God, that
ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, have
mer - cy up - on us. O Lamb of
God, that ta - kest a - way the sins of the
world, grant us thy peace.

Music: From *Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena*, Healey Willan (1880-1968). By permission of Oxford University Press.

[Point to the gifts and say]

COMMUNION INVITATION

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Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God. Behold what you are. Become what you receive.

The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants.

HYMN 671: Amazing grace! How sweet the sound

1 A - maz - ing grace! how sweet the sound, that
2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and
3 The Lord has prom - ised good to me, his
4 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares, I
* 5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright

1 saved a wretch like me! I once was lost but
2 grace my fears re - lieved; how pre - cious did that
3 word my hope se - cures; he will my shield and
4 have al - rea - dy come; 'tis grace that brought me
5 shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to

1 now am found, was blind but now I see.
2 grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!
3 por - tion be as long as life en - dures.
4 safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
5 sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

The melody may be sung in canon at distances of either two or three beats.

Words: John Newton (1725-1807), alt.; st. 5, from *A Collection of Sacred Ballads*, 1790; compiled by Richard Broaddus and Andrew Broaddus. Music: *New Britain*, from *Virginia Harmony* 1831; adapt. att. Edwin Othello Excell (1851-1921); harm. Austin Cole Lovelace (b. 1919). Harmonization Copyright © 1974 by Abingdon Press.

The people, standing

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

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Presider Let us pray.

**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.**

THE BLESSING

Paraphrase of Henri-Frédéric Amiel

Presider Life is short and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who are traveling the journey with us. So be swift to love, and make haste to be kind. And the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Choir and Altar party recess from the church

HYMN 410: Praise, my soul, the King of heaven

Unison or harmony

1 Praise, my soul, the King of hea - ven; to his feet thy tri - bute bring;
2 Praise him for his grace and fa - vor to his peo - ple in dis - tress;
3 Fa - ther - like he tends and spares us; well our fee - ble frame he knows;
4 An - gels, help us to a - dore him; ye be - hold him face to face;

ran-somed, healed, re-stored, for-giv-en, ev-er-more his prais-es sing:
 praise him still the same as ev-er, slow to chide, and swift to bless:
 in his hand he gen-tly bears us, res-cues us from all our foes.
 sun and moon, bow down be-fore him, dwell-ers all in time and space.

Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia! Praise the ev-er-last-ing King.
 Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia! Glo-rious in his faith-ful-ness.
 Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia! Wide-ly yet his mer-cy flows.
 Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia! Praise with us the God of grace.

Descant for use with unison singing

4 An-gels, help us to a-dore him; ye be-hold him face to face;
 sun and moon, bow down be-fore him, dwell-ers all in time and space.
 Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia! Praise with us the God of grace.

Words: Henry Francis Lyte (1793-1847). Music: *Lauda anima*, John Goss (1800-1880); desc. Craig Sellar Lang (1891-1971).
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DISMISSAL

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Leader Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

You are invited to remain seated for the postlude

POSTLUDE: Fughetta

G.F. Handel

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