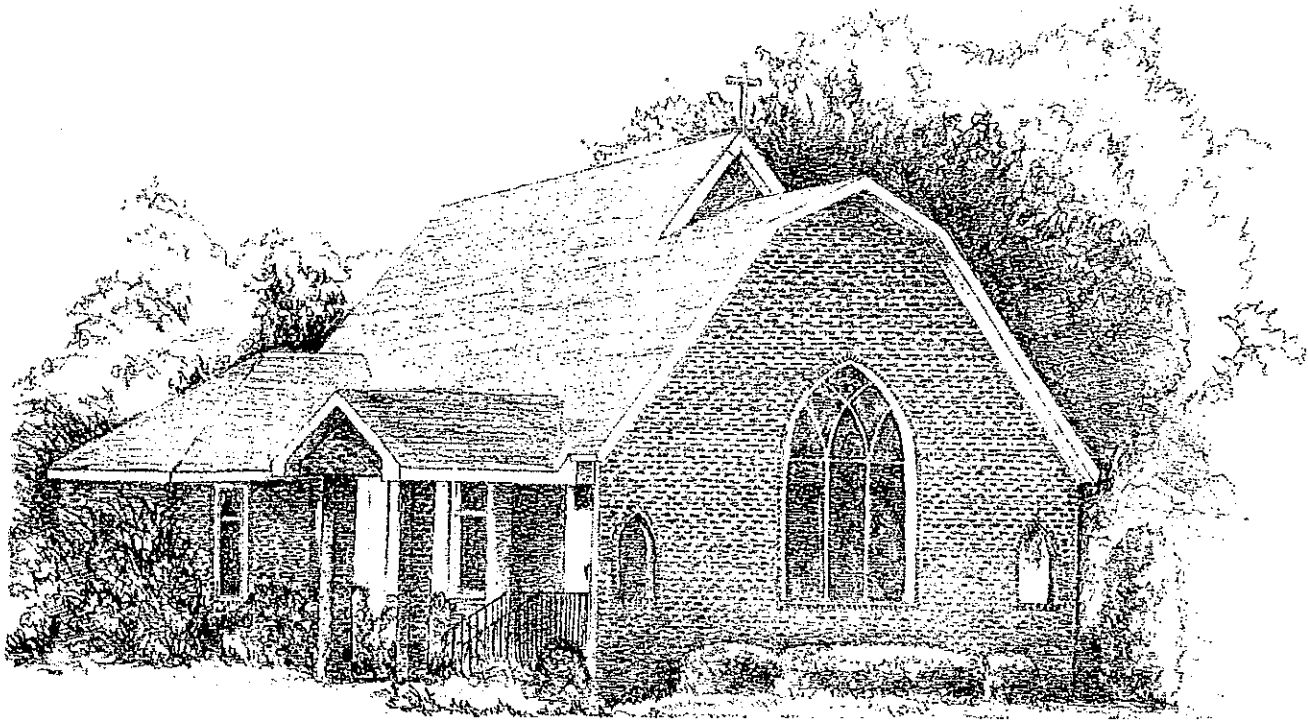


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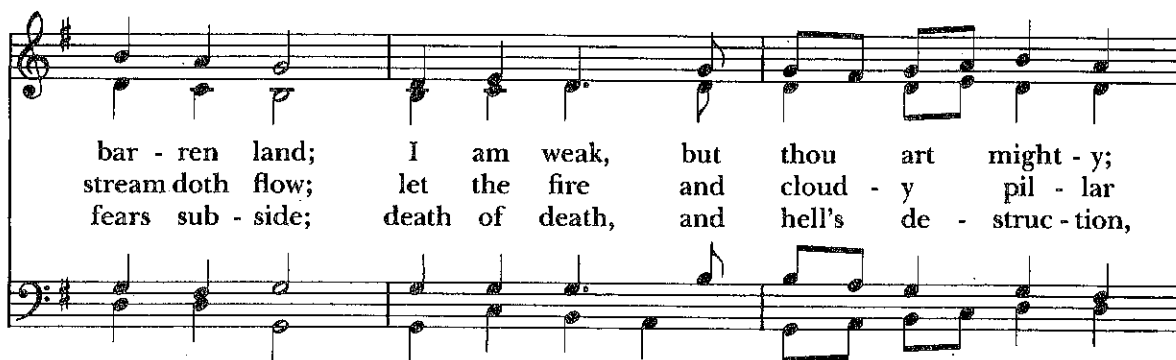
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PRELUDE... ..Elegy.....George Thalben-Ball

Processional Hymn – Hymnal 1982 #690



1 Guide me, O thou great Je - ho - vah, pil - grim through this
2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain, whence the heal - ing
3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious



bar - ren land; I am weak, but thou art might - y;
stream doth flow; let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar
fears sub - side; death of death, and hell's de - struc - tion,



hold me with thy power - ful hand; bread of hea - ven,
lead me all my jour - ney through; strong de - liv - erer,
land me safe on Ca - naan's side; songs of prais - es,



bread of hea - ven, feed me now and ev - er -
strong de - liv - erer, be thou still my strength and
songs of prais - es, I will ev - er give to



The Word of God

The people standing, the Bishop says

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People ***And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever.
Amen.***

The Bishop then continues

There is one Body and one Spirit;

People ***There is one hope in God's call to us;***
Bishop ***One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;***
People ***One God and Father of all.***

Bishop The Lord be with you.

People ***And also with you.***

Bishop Let us pray.

Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. ***Amen.***

A reading from Exodus (17:1-7)

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarreled with Moses, and said, "Give us water to drink." Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?" But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?" So Moses cried out to the Lord, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." The Lord said to Moses, "Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink." Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the Lord, saying, "Is the Lord among us or not?"

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 25:1-8

1 To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul;
my God, I put my trust in you; *
let me not be humiliated,
nor let my enemies triumph over me.

2 Let none who look to you be put to shame; *
let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.

3 Show me your ways, O LORD, *
and teach me your paths.

4 Lead me in your truth and teach me, *
for you are the God of my salvation;
in you have I trusted all the day long.

5 Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love, *
for they are from everlasting.

6 Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; *
remember me according to your love
and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.

7 Gracious and upright is the LORD; *
therefore he teaches sinners in his way.

8 He guides the humble in doing right *
and teaches his way to the lowly.

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it
was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen*

The Epistle

A reading from **Philippians 2:1-13**

If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,

who, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God
as something to be exploited,

but emptied himself,
taking the form of a slave,
being born in human likeness.

And being found in human form,
he humbled himself
and became obedient to the point of death--
even death on a cross.

Therefore God also highly exalted him
and gave him the name
that is above every name,

so that at the name of Jesus
every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

and every tongue should confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence, but much more now in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

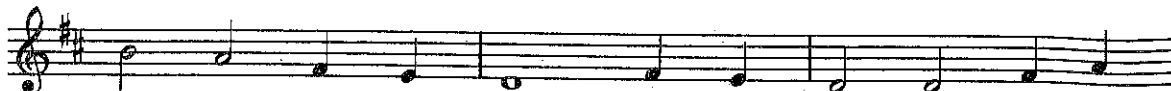
Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: *Thanks be to God*

Gradual Hymn – Hymnal 1982 #686



1 Come, thou fount of ev - ery bless - ing, tune my
 2 Here I find my great - est trea - sure; hith - er,
 3 Oh, to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly



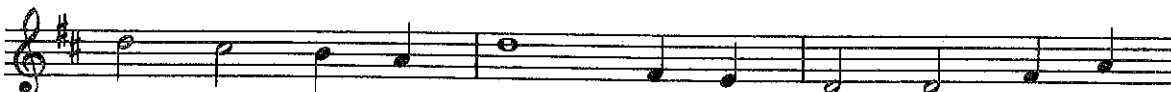
heart to sing thy grace! Streams of mer - cy nev - er
 by thy help, I've come; and I hope, by thy good
 I'm con - strained to be! Let thy good - ness, like a



ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.
 plea - sure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home.
 fet - ter, bind my wan - dering heart to thee:



Teach me some me - lo - dious son - net, sung by
 Je - sus sought me when a stran - ger wan - dering
 prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it, prone to



flam - ing tongues a - bove. Praise the mount! Oh, fix me
 from the fold of God; he, to res - cue me from
 leave the God I love; here's my heart, oh, take and



on it, mount of God's un - chang - ing love.
 dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.
 seal it, seal it for thy courts a - bove.

Then, all standing, the Deacon or a Priest reads the Gospel, first saying

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew
(21:23-32)

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

When Jesus entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, "By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?" Jesus said to them, "I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?" And they argued with one another, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will say to us, 'Why then did you not believe him?' But if we say, 'Of human origin,' we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet." So they answered Jesus, "We do not know." And he said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.

"What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, 'Son, go and work in the vineyard today.' He answered, 'I will not'; but later he changed his mind and went. The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, 'I go, sir'; but he did not go. Which of the two did the will of his father?" They said, "The first." Jesus said to them, "Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him.

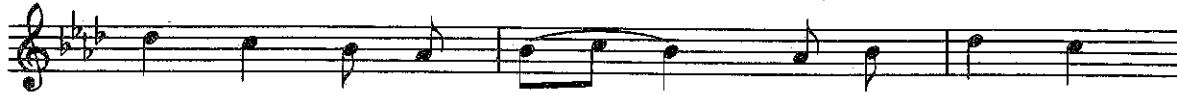
Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Sermon Hymn – Hymnal 1982 - #585 (1-3)



1 Morn - ing glo - ry, star - lit sky, soar - ing
2 O - pen are the gifts of God, gifts of
3 Love that gives, gives ev - er more, gives with
4 Drained is love in mak - ing full, bound in
5 There - fore he who shows us God help - less
6 Here is God: no mon - arch he, throned in



1 mu - sic, schol - ar's truth, flight of swal - lows,
2 love to mind and sense; hid - den is love's
3 zeal, with ea - ger hands, spares not, keeps not,
4 set - ting o - thers free, poor in mak - ing
5 hangs up - on the tree; and the nails and
6 eas - y state to reign; here is God, whose



1 au - tumn leaves, mem - ory's trea - sure, grace of youth:
2 a - go - ny, love's en - deav - or, love's ex - pense.
3 all out - pours, ven - tures all, its all ex - pends.
4 man - y rich, weak in giv - ing power to be.
5 crown of thorns tell of what God's love must be.
6 arms of love ach - ing, spent, the world sus - tain.

The Sermon

The Right Reverend Samuel Johnson Howard

A moment of silence

Presentation and Examination of the Candidates

The Bishop says

The Candidates will now be presented.

Presenters I present these persons for Confirmation.

The Bishop asks the candidates

Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil?

Candidate **I do.**

Bishop Do you renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

Candidate **I do, and with God's grace I will follow him as my Savior and Lord.**

After all have been presented, the Bishop addresses the congregation, saying

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life in Christ?

People **We will.**

The Bishop then says these or similar words

Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

The Baptismal Covenant

Bishop Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Bishop Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People ***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 to the dead. 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.***

Bishop Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People ***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.***

Bishop Will you continue in the apostles' teaching
And fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and
in the prayers?

People ***I will, with God's help.***

Bishop Will you persevere in resisting evil, and,
Whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the
Lord?

People ***I will, with God's help.***

Bishop Will you proclaim by word and example the
Good News of God in Christ?

People ***I will, with God's help.***

Bishop Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving
your neighbor as yourself?

People ***I will, with God's help.***

Bishop Will you strive for justice and peace among all
people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People ***I will, with God's help.***

Prayers for the Candidates

The Bishop then says to the congregation

Let us now pray for these persons who have renewed their commitment to Christ.

A Person appointed leads the following petitions

Leader Deliver *them*, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Leader Open *their hearts* to your grace and truth.

People ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Leader Fill *them* with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Leader Keep *them* in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

People ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Leader Teach *them* to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Leader Send *them* into the world in witness to your love.

People ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Leader Bring *them* to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

A period of silence follows.

Then the Bishop says

Almighty God, we thank you that by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ you have overcome sin and brought us to yourself, and that by the sealing of your Holy Spirit you have bound

us to your service. Renew in these your servants the covenant you made with them at their Baptism. Send them forth in the power of that Spirit to perform the service you set before them; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Confirmation

The Bishop lays hands upon each one and says

Strengthen, O Lord, your servant *N.* with your Holy Spirit; empower *him/ her* for your service; and sustain *him/ her* all the days of *his/ her* life. *Amen.*

or this

Defend, O Lord, your servant *N.* with your heavenly grace, that *he/ she* may continue yours for ever, and daily increase in your Holy Spirit more and more, until *he/ she* comes to your everlasting kingdom. *Amen.*

For Reception

N., we recognize you as a member of the one holy catholic and apostolic Church, and we receive you into the fellowship of this Communion. God, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless, preserve, and keep you. *Amen.*

For Reaffirmation

N., may the Holy Spirit, who has begun a good work in you, direct and uphold you in the service of Christ and his kingdom. *Amen.*

The Bishop concludes with this prayer

Almighty and everliving God, let your fatherly hand ever be over

these your servants; let your Holy Spirit ever be with them; and so lead them in the knowledge and obedience of your Word, that they may serve you in this life, and dwell with you in the life to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The Peace

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people


The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

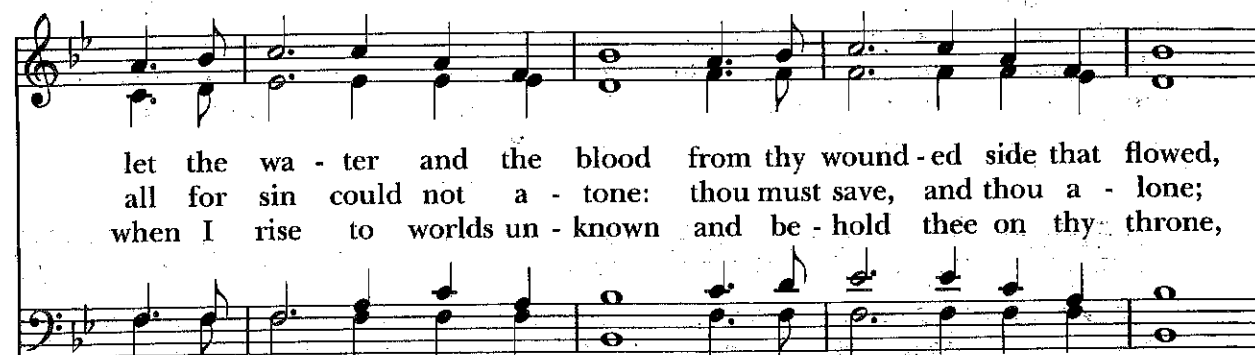
Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

The Holy Communion

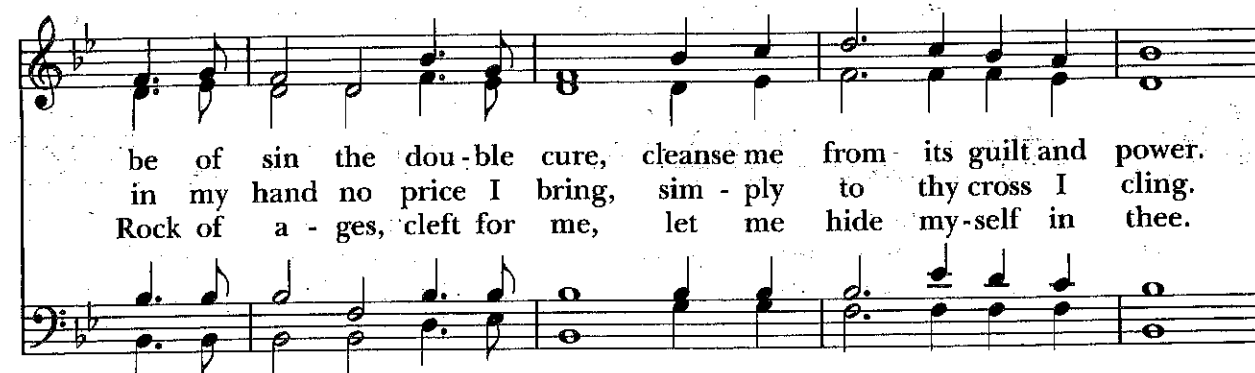
Offertory- Hymnal 1982- # 685



1 Rock of a - ges, cleft for me, let me hide my-self in thee;
2 Should my tears for ev - er flow, should my zeal no lan - guor know,
3 While I draw this fleet-ing breath, when mine eye - lids close in death,



let the wa - ter and the blood from thy wound - ed side that flowed,
all for sin could not a - tone: thou must save, and thou a - lone;
when I rise to worlds un - known and be - hold thee on thy throne,



be of sin the dou - ble cure, cleanse me from its guilt and power.
in my hand no price I bring, sim - ply to thy cross I cling.
Rock of a - ges, cleft for me, let me hide my-self in thee.

The Great Thanksgiving

The people remain standing. The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and sings or says

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 him thanks and praise.***

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

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 by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world. 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:

Hymnal 1982 - S130 – Sanctus (*service music is located in the front of the 1982 Hymnal and prefixed with the letter “s”*)

Celebrant and People

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven 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.

The people stand or kneel.

Then the Celebrant continues

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.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

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 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. Sanctify 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. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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,

People and Celebrant

***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.***

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

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

Hymnal 1982 – S164 – Agnus Dei *(service music is located in the front of the 1982 Hymnal and prefixed with the letter “s”)*

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

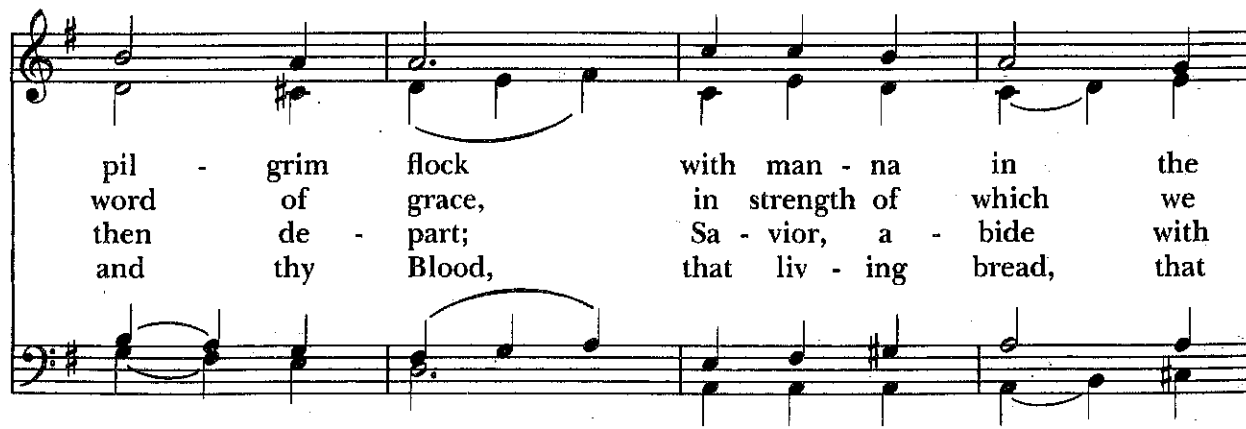
Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The Communion of the People *(All Baptized Christians are invited and encouraged to receive the Holy Sacraments of Bread and Wine)*

Communion Hymn- Hymnal 1982 - #343



1 Shep - herd of souls, re - fresh and bless thy cho - sen
2 We would not live by bread a - lone, but by thy
3 Be known to us in break - ing bread, and do not
4 Lord, sup with us in love di - vine, thy Bo - dy



pil - grim flock with man - na in the
word of grace, in strength of which we
then de - part; Sa - vior, a - bide with
and thy Blood, that liv - ing bread, that

wil - der - ness, with wa - ter from the rock.
 trav - el on to our a - bid - ing - place.
 us, and spread thy ta - ble in our heart.
 heav - en - ly wine, be our im - mor - tal food.

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

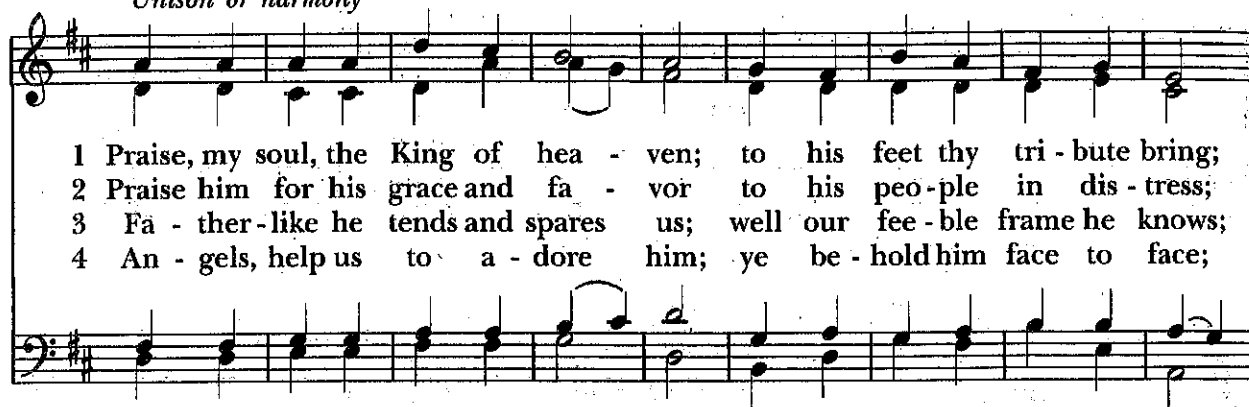
Celebrant and People

***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.***

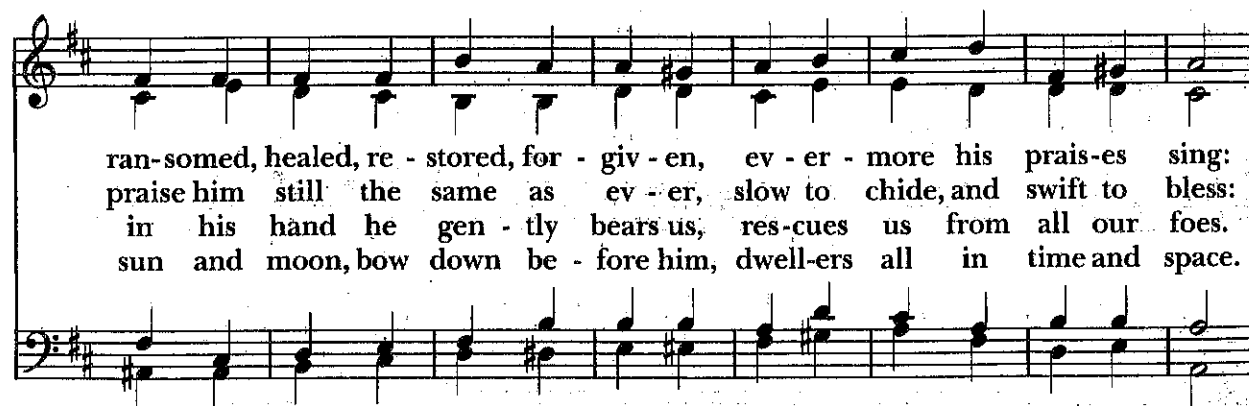
Blessing: *The Bishop offers a blessing.*

Recessional Hymn – Hymnal 1982 - #410


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

The Deacon, dismisses them with these words

Alleluia, Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

The People respond Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

POSTLUDE... .. Fanfare for Organ....John Cook

In an effort to keep current needs on the prayer list, names will remain for a month. If you see a name that needs to remain longer, please call or email the church office.

PRAYER LIST The prayers of the parish are requested for: Susan Alexander, Fr. Juan Carlos, the family of Barbara Alesch (Marie Brian's sister), Dina James, Mike Wells, Joan Blake, Ann Thompson, Kenley Curry from Abacos in the Bahamas, Mena Tull, Albert Sutton, Doris McClain, Brent Trost, Brandon Gaskins, Dennis Roy, Craig Jacobsen, Dn. Phyllis Doty, Brad Green, DeLaine Cribb, Bart Strang, and Brittany Smith.

Sustained Illness/Concern: Glenn Miller, Kris Cheatham, Vivian Bass, Bill Green, Susanne Walters, The Rev. Godsmark, Phyllis Taylor, Bob Stross, Sister Maria Ann, Kristen Braddy, Russell Johnson, Glenn Miller, James & Jackie Kent, Gail Mickel, Mtr. Tulia, Chris & Kathy Thomas, Gwyn Herrington, Cole Thomas

Our soldiers deployed: Jonathan Richichi, James Smith, Casey Brewer, Sean Beegle, Cody Beegle, Edward Owen and stateside; Brent Trost, Matthew Beegle, Lincoln Queale, Dillon Ellis, Andy Chamberlain, and Robert Ice.

Pray for the Diocese of Cuba, our companion church: Fielés á Jesus, and their rector Mtr. Tulia. Pray for Dukatole and the children. St. Mary's Episcopal Church in Madison, and Shepherd's Hands of the Suwannee Valley Free Clinic

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