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Participants in today's service

Celebrant/Preacher	The Very Reverend José Reyes
Deacon	The Reverend Dr. Kate DeRose
Organist & Choir Director	Dr. Colin Britt
Verger	Oswald Howard
Acolytes	Savannah Riley, Maame Asante, Jacob Jackson & Laurel Jablonska-McLeod
Lectors	Michael & Elizabeth Stevens
Intercessor	Mark Betsher
Altar Guild	Sarah Betsher & Caroline Toner
Eucharistic Ministers	Oswald Howard, Jillian McLeod & Megan Gallagher
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“For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also” – Matthew 6:2

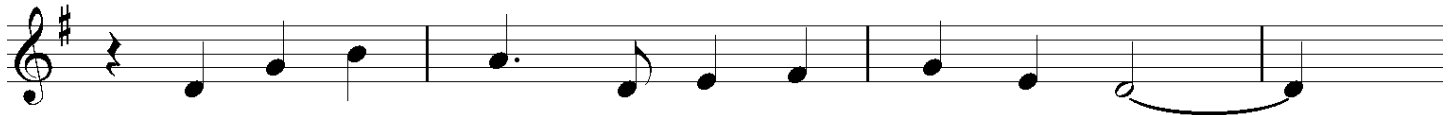


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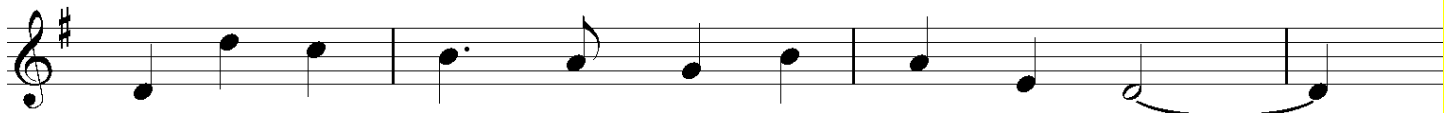
**THE OPENING VOLUNTARY: "Sonata No. 4 in Bb Major, mvt. 2
(Andante Religioso)" - Felix Mendelssohn**

Selah Kwak, violin
Gene Bartley, trombone

**THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN: THE HYMNAL 1982 - #420 When in our
music God is glorified**



1 When in our mu - sic God is glo - ri - fied, _____
2 How of - ten, mak - ing mu - sic, we have found _____
3 So has the Church, in lit - ur - gy and song, _____
4 And did not Je - sus sing a psalm that night _____
5 Let ev - ery in - stru - ment be tuned for praise! _____



1 and a - dor - a - tion leaves no room for pride, _____
2 a new di - men - sion in the world of sound, _____
3 in faith and love, through cen - tu - ries of wrong, _____
4 when ut - most e - vil strove a - gainst the Light? _____
5 Let all re - joice who have a voice to raise! _____



1 it is as though the whole cre - a - tion cried _____
2 as wor - ship moved us to a more pro - found _____
3 borne wit - ness to the truth in ev - ery tongue, _____
4 Then let us sing, for whom he won the fight, _____
5 And may God give us faith to sing al - ways _____



— Al - le - lu - ia! — Al - le - lu - ia! A - men.

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Music: Engelberg, Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

All

And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

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.

THE GLORIA: The Hymnal 1982, Service Music #279 Glory to God

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, —
— and peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, hea - ven - ly King,
al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we
praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the
Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you take a - way the sin of the
world: have mer - cy on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the
right hand of the Fa - ther: — re - ceive our prayer. 6. For you a -
lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,
7. you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit,
in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - - - men.

Setting: Gerald R. Near (b. 1942)

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE FIRST READING – 2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14

When the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel.

Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground.

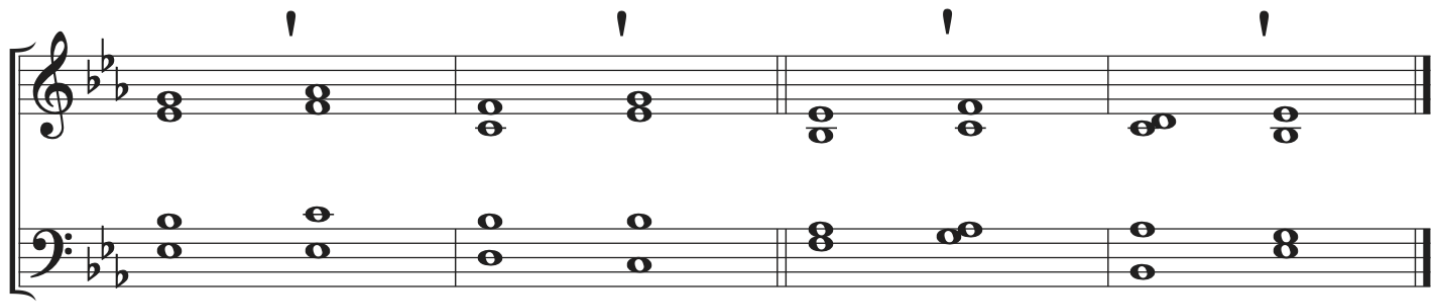
When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you." Elisha said, "Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit." He responded, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not." As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, "Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

He picked up the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and went back and stood on the bank of the Jordan. He took the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and struck the water, saying, "Where is the Lord, the God of Elijah?" When he had struck the water, the water was parted to the one side and to the other, and Elisha went over.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM: Psalm 77:1-2, 11-20



1 I will cry aloud to ' **God**; *

I will cry aloud, and he will ' **hear me**.

2 In the day of my trouble I sought the ' **Lord**; *

my hands were stretched out by night and did not tire;

I refused to be ' **comforted**.

11 I will remember the works of the ' **Lord**, *

and call to mind your wonders of old ' **time**.

12 I will meditate on all your ' **acts** *

and ponder your mighty ' **deeds**.

13 Your way, O God, is ' **holy**; *

who is so great a god as our ' **God**?

14 You are the God who works ' **wonders** *

and have declared your power among the ' **peoples**.

15 By your strength you have redeemed your ' **people**, *

the children of Jacob and ' **Joseph**.

16 The waters saw you, O God;

the waters saw you and ' **trembled**; *

the very depths were ' **shaken**.

17 The clouds poured out water;

the skies ' **thundered**; *

your arrows flashed to and ' **fro**;

18 The sound of your thunder was in the whirlwind;

your lightnings lit up the ' **world**; *

the earth trembled and ' **shook**.

19 Your way was in the sea,

and your paths in the great ' **waters**, *

yet your footsteps were not ' **seen**.

20 You led your people like a ' **flock** *

by the hand of Moses and ' **Aaron**.

THE SECOND READING – Galatians 5:1, 13-25

For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another.

For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.

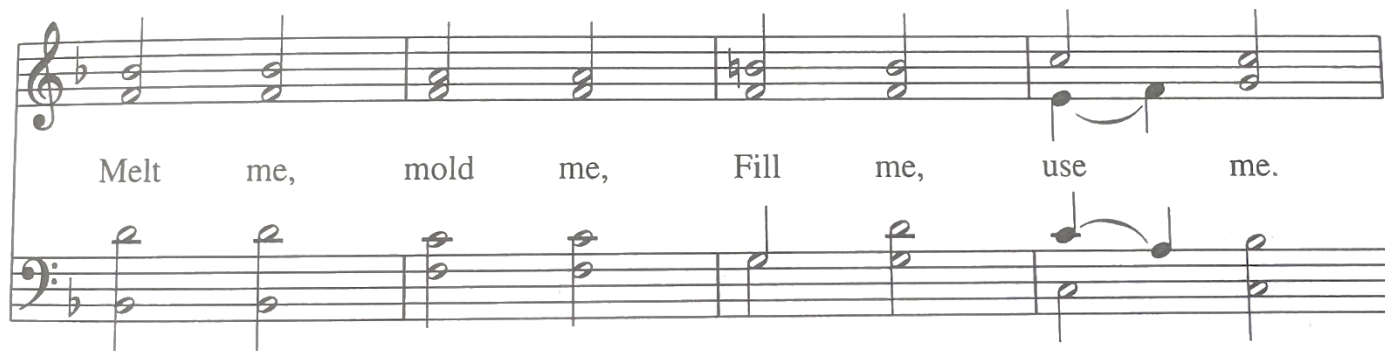
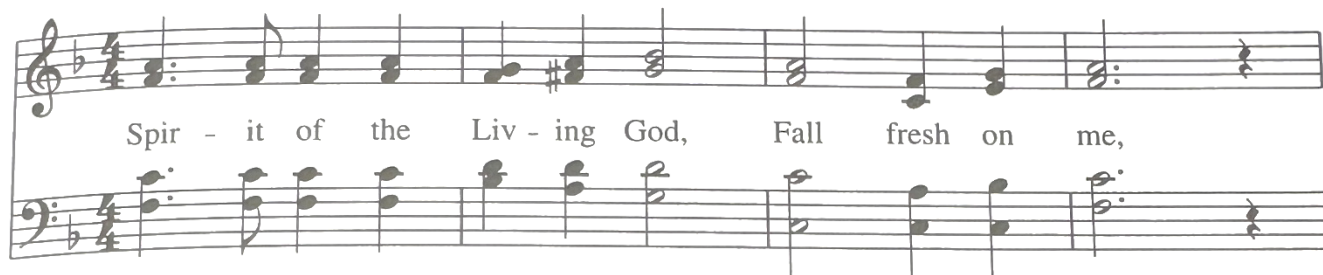
Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Thanks be to God.

THE SEQUENCE HYMN: Lift Every Voice & Sing, II #115 Spirit Of The Living God



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THE HOLY GOSPEL – Luke 9:51-62

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke
Glory to you, Lord Christ

When the days drew near for Jesus to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; but they did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" But he turned and rebuked them. Then they went on to another village.

As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." But Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." Another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home." Jesus said to him, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

The Very Reverend José Reyes

THE NICENE CREED

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, 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: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. 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 of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE – Form VI

Intercessor

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Sean our Presiding Bishop, and Doug our Bishop; and for all bishops and other ministers;

For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. We pray for those we name in silence or aloud at this time: Stephanie, Jasmine & Jacob, Jillian McLeod, Burt Hansen, Cecily Perez, Maria Lamoutte, Sherry Branstetter, Karen and Bob Soderstrom, Kathy McBride, Monique Ray Burwell, Milagros Lopez, Charlie Murrin and his family, Robert Jewell, Sr. and his family, Charlotte Carrington, Todd Shepard, Beverly Rourke, Ann Lincoln, Joyce Howard, David and Kathy Johnston, Karen and Rich Authier, Louise Amerman, Blaise and her family, and Julius and his family.

Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. We pray for those celebrating birthdays this week, especially, Robert Rodriguez, Phyllis Larson, Nina Schmidt Holsted, Miasyn Summer Ray, Mahewa Mohamed and Cindy Climo. We pray for those celebrating anniversaries this week, especially, E. Jahn & Gary Hart, Calista & Edward Dibble, The Reverend Barbara Thrall & Ed Farrell, Cozette & Joe Haggerty, Sarah & Mark Betsher and The Reverend Betsy & The Right Reverend Dr. Doug Fisher.

We will exalt you, O God our King;
And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom. The flowers on the altar today are given to the Glory of God in loving memory of George and Delores Schmeck by Sarah, Mark and Rachel.

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
Who put their trust in you.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.
Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Almighty God have mercy on you, 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.**

THE PEACE

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

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE CHOIR APPRECIATION

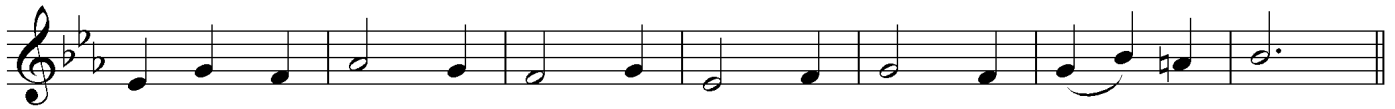
During the Offertory, the Altar is prepared. People may place pledges and donations in the collection basket during the offertory. You may also donate, and pledge online, just point your phone at the QR code.



THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM:

“For Everyone Born, A Place at The Table” – *with the Bishop’s Choir School*

THE OFFERTORY HYMN: How Shall I Sing That Majesty



1. How shall I sing that Maj - es - ty Which an - gels do — ad - mire?
2. Thy bright-ness un - to them ap - pears, Whilst I Thy foot - steps trace;
3. En - ligh - ten with faith's light my heart, In - flame it with — love's fire;
4. How great a be - ing, God is Thine, Which doth all be - ings keep!



Let dust in dust and si - lence lie; Sing, sing, ye heav - enly choir.
A sound of God comes to my ears, But they be - hold — Thy face.
Then shall I sing and bear a part With that cel - es - tial choir.
Thy know - ledge is the on - ly line To sound so vast — a deep.



Thou - sands of thou - sands stand a - round Thy throne, O God most high; —
They sing be - cause Thou art their Sun; O, send a beam on me; —
I shall, I fear, be dimmed and cold, With all my fire and light; —
Thou art a sea with - out a shore, A sun with - out a sphere; —



Ten thou - sand times ten thou - sand sound Thy praise; but who — am I?
For where heav'n is but once — be - gun There al - le - lu - ias be.
Yet when Thou dost ac - cept their gold, O, trea - sure up — my mite.
Thy time is now and ev - er - more, Thy place is ev - ery - where.

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, EUCHARISTIC PRAYER B

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up you hearts.

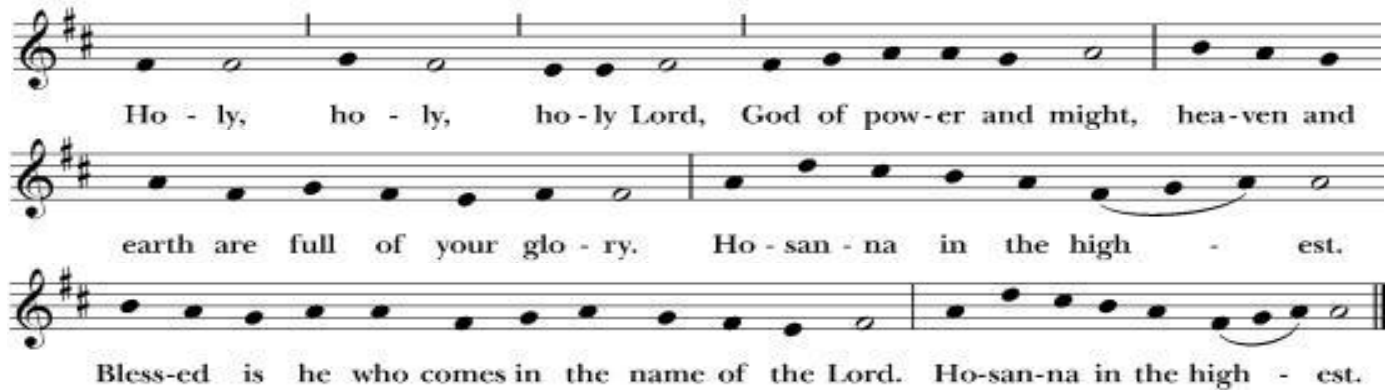
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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 our Lord. 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:

THE SANCTUS: The Hymnal 1982, Service Music #124 Holy, Holy, Holy



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 all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of all your children; 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.**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

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 FRACTION ANTHEM: The Hymnal 1982, Service Music

#161 Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,
you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

The Gifts of God for you, the People of God.

Everyone is invited to receive the Holy Communion. Our practice is to stand or kneel at the altar rail in front, where the clergy will give you the host and then will give you the chalice. If you desire only a blessing and not the Communion, please indicate by crossing your arms before you. If you prefer Gluten-Free wafers or non-alcoholic grape juice, please tell the eucharistic ministers.

THE COMMUNION ANTHEM: “Draw Us In The Spirit’s Tether”

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

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 – *From Teresa of Ávila*

May today there be peace within. May you trust God that you are exactly where you are meant to be. May you not forget the infinite possibilities that are born of faith. May you use those gifts that you have received and pass on the love that has been given to you. May you be content knowing you are a child of God. Let God’s presence settle into your bones, and allow your soul the freedom to sing, dance, praise and love. And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

THE SENDING HYMN: “O God, Beyond All Praising”

1. O God be-yond all prais-ing, we wor-ship you to-day and
 2. The flow'r of earth-ly splen-dor in time must sure-ly die, its
 3. Then hear, O gra-cious Sav-ior, ac-cept the love we bring, that
 sing the love a-maz-ing that songs can-not re-pay; for we can on-ly
 frag-ile bloom sur-ren-der to you, our God most high; but hid-den from all
 we who know your fa-vor may serve you as we sing; and whe-ther our to-
 won-der at ev-ery gift you send, at bless-ings with-out num-ber and
 na-ture the e-ter-nal seed is sown, though small in mor-tal sta-ture, to
 mor-rows be filled with good or ill, we'll tri-umph through our sor-rows and
 mer-cies with-out end: We lift our hearts be-fore you and wait up-on your
 hea-ven's gar-den grown: for Christ, your son from heav-en from death has set us
 rise to bless you still: To mar-vel at your beau-ty and glo-ry in your
 Word, we hon-or and a-dore you, our great and might-y Lord.
 free, and we through you are giv-en the fin-al vic-to-ry.
 ways, and make a joy-ful du-ty our sac-ri-fice of praise.

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon

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

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

THE CLOSING VOLUNTARY: “Just a Closer Walk With Thee”