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Participants in today's service

Celebrant	The Very Reverend José Reyes
Deacon	The Reverend Kate Derosé
Organist & Choir Director	Dr. Colin Britt
Acolytes	Mark Giddings, Tasha Brown, Jacob Jackson & Laurel Jablonska- McLeod
Lectors	Edward Dibble & Jillian McLeod
Intercessor	Judith MacMunn
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Eucharistic Ministers	Mark Giddings, Rajendra Lalak & Jillian McLeod
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THE OPENING VOLUNTARY: “Prelude in E minor, Op. 28 No. 4”
– *Frederic Chopin*


**THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN: The Hymnal 1982 - #7 Christ, whose
glory fills the skies**



1 Christ, whose glo - ry fills the skies, Christ, the true, the on - ly Light,
2 Dark and cheer-less is the morn un - ac - com - pan - ied by thee;
3 Vis - it then this soul of mine! Pierce the gloom of sin and grief!



Sun of Right-eous - ness, a - rise! Tri-umph o'er the shades of night:
joy-less is the day's re - turn, till thy mer - cy's beams I see,
Fill me, ra - dian - cy di - vine; scat - ter all my un - be - lief;



Day-spring from on high, be near; Day-star, in my heart ap - pear.
till they in - ward light im - part, glad my eyes, and warm my heart.
more and more thy - self dis - play, shin - ing to the per - fect day.



Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788). Music: *Ratisbon*, melody from *Geystliche gesangk Buchleyn*, 1524; adapt. att. William Henry Havergal (1793-1870); harm. William Henry Havergal (1793-1870), alt.

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: Lift Every Voice & Sing, II # 241 Glory To God

The musical score is written for a single voice part in treble clef, key of D major (indicated by two sharps), and 4/4 time. It consists of eight staves of music. The lyrics are written below the notes. The score includes various musical notations such as rests, eighth notes, quarter notes, and half notes. There are also some unusual time signature changes, such as 3/4 and 4/4, which may be intended for a specific performance style or to accommodate a choir. The lyrics are: "Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to His peo - ple on earth. Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al - might - y God and Fa-ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry. Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa - ther,"

Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and

peace to His peo - ple on earth.

Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al - might - y God and Fa-ther,

we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we

praise you for your glo-ry.

Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly

Son of the Fa - ther,

Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the

world: have mer-cy on us;

you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re-ceive our

prayer. For

you a-lone are the Ho-ly One,— you a-lone are the Lord,

you a-lone are the Most High,—

Je-sus Christ with the Ho-ly Spir-it, in the

glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men.

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; 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 – Isaiah 1:1, 10-20

The vision of Isaiah son of Amoz, which he saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah.

Hear the word of the LORD,
you rulers of Sodom!

Listen to the teaching of our God,
you people of Gomorrah!

What to me is the multitude of your sacrifices?
says the LORD;

I have had enough of burnt offerings of rams
and the fat of fed beasts;

I do not delight in the blood of bulls,
or of lambs, or of goats.

When you come to appear before me,
who asked this from your hand?
Trample my courts no more;

bringing offerings is futile;
incense is an abomination to me.

New moon and sabbath and calling of convocation--
I cannot endure solemn assemblies with iniquity.

Your new moons and your appointed festivals
my soul hates;

they have become a burden to me,
I am weary of bearing them.

When you stretch out your hands,
I will hide my eyes from you;
even though you make many prayers,
I will not listen;
your hands are full of blood.

Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean;
remove the evil of your doings
from before my eyes;

cease to do evil,
learn to do good;

seek justice,
rescue the oppressed,
defend the orphan,
plead for the widow.
Come now, let us argue it out,
says the LORD:
though your sins are like scarlet,
they shall be like snow;
though they are red like crimson,
they shall become like wool.
If you are willing and obedient,
you shall eat the good of the land;
but if you refuse and rebel,
you shall be devoured by the sword;
for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM: Psalm 50:1-8, 23-24

- 1 The LORD, the God of gods, has spoken; *
he has called the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.
- 2 Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty, *
God reveals himself in glory.
- 3 Our God will come and will not keep silence; *
before him there is a consuming flame,
and round about him a raging storm.
- 4 He calls the heavens and the earth from above *
to witness the judgment of his people.
- 5 "Gather before me my loyal followers, *
those who have made a covenant with me
and sealed it with sacrifice."
- 6 Let the heavens declare the rightness of his cause; *
for God himself is judge.

7 Hear, O my people, and I will speak:

"O Israel, I will bear witness against you; *
for I am God, your God.

8 I do not accuse you because of your sacrifices; *
your offerings are always before me.

23 Consider this well, you who forget God, *
lest I rend you and there be none to deliver you.

24 Whoever offers me the sacrifice of thanksgiving honors me; *
but to those who keep in my way will I show the salvation of God."

THE SECOND READING – Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.

By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old-- and Sarah herself was barren-- because he considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, "as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the sea-shore."

All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.


The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

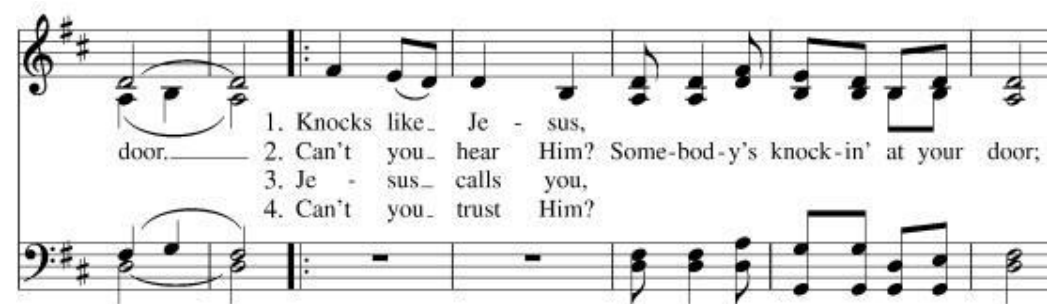
THE SEQUENCE HYMN: Lift Every Voice & Sing, II #100 Somebody's Knockin' At Your Door



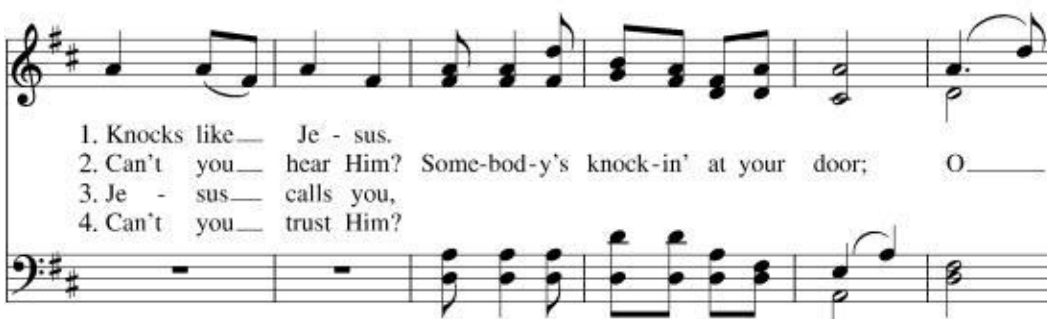
Some-bod-y's knock-in' at your door; Some-bod-y's knock-in' at your door;



O sin - ner, why don't you an - swer? Some-bod-y's knock-in' at your



door. 1. Knocks like Je - sus,
2. Can't you hear Him? Some-bod-y's knock-in' at your door;
3. Je - sus calls you,
4. Can't you trust Him?



1. Knocks like Je - sus.
2. Can't you hear Him? Some-bod-y's knock-in' at your door; O
3. Je - sus calls you,
4. Can't you trust Him?



sin - ner why don't you an - swer? Some-bod-y's knock-in' at your door

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THE HOLY GOSPEL – Luke 12:32-40

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

Jesus said to his disciples, "Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

"Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

"But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

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.

Let us pray for God's providence in the calling of our next Diocesan Bishop. Gracious God, we give you thanks for the ministry we share in the Diocese of Western Massachusetts. In this season of discernment, we ask your blessing and the guidance of your Holy Spirit as we prepare to call our next Bishop. Guide us in this important work; **That your mission may be furthered, and your Gospel proclaimed.**

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, Edward Dibble, Rachel Stevens and Brandii Rodriquez. We pray for those celebrating anniversaries this week.

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, especially Edith Ray. The flowers on the altar today are given to the Glory of God in loving memory of Alexander Stewart, Fifth Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Western Massachusetts by

Laurel Stewart

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.

Celebrant

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.

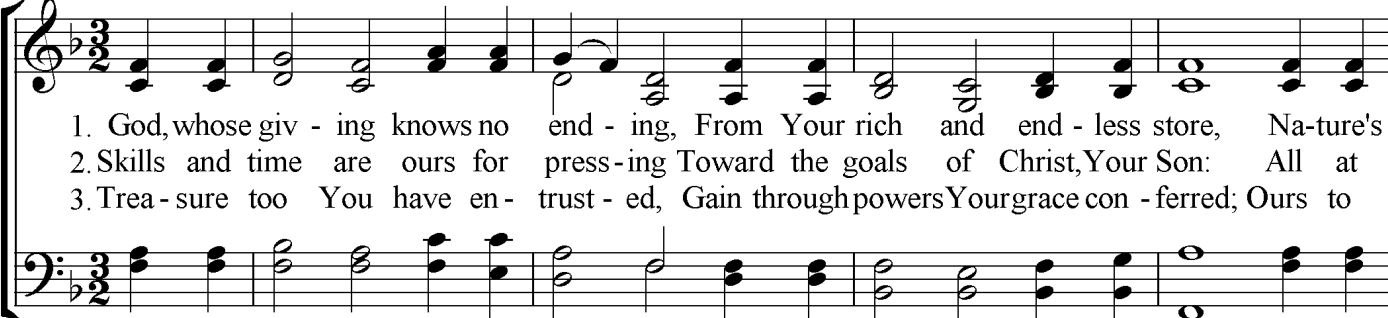
And also with you.

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

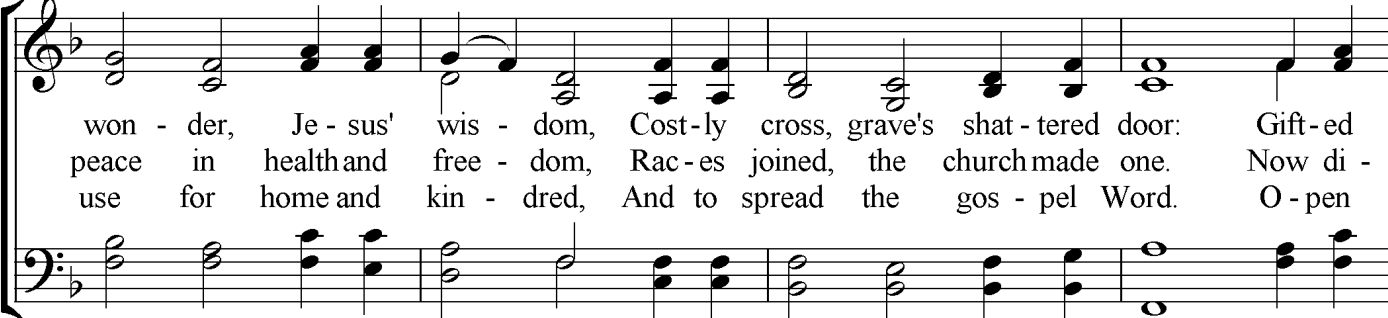
During the Offertory, the Altar is prepared. People may place pledges and donations in the collection basket during the offertory. You may also donate, and pledge online, just point your phone at the QR code.



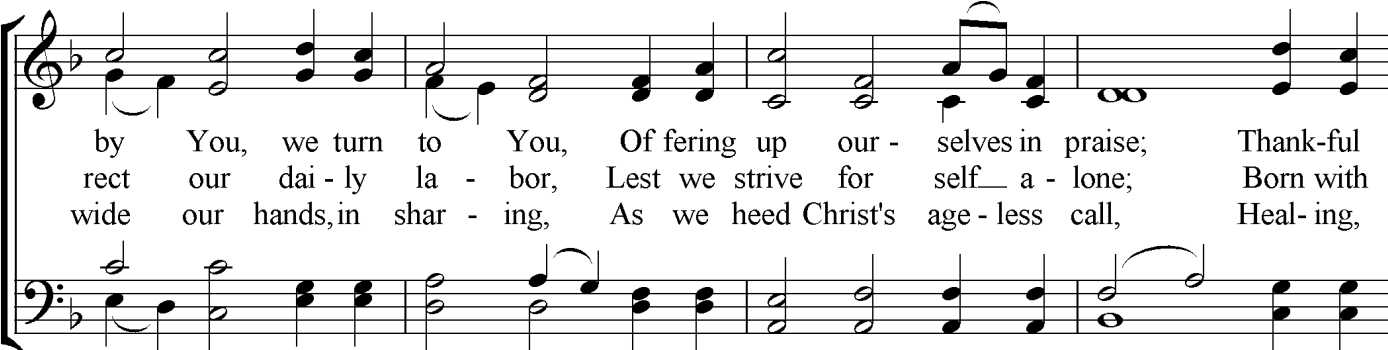
THE OFFERTORY HYMN: Glory to God #716 God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending



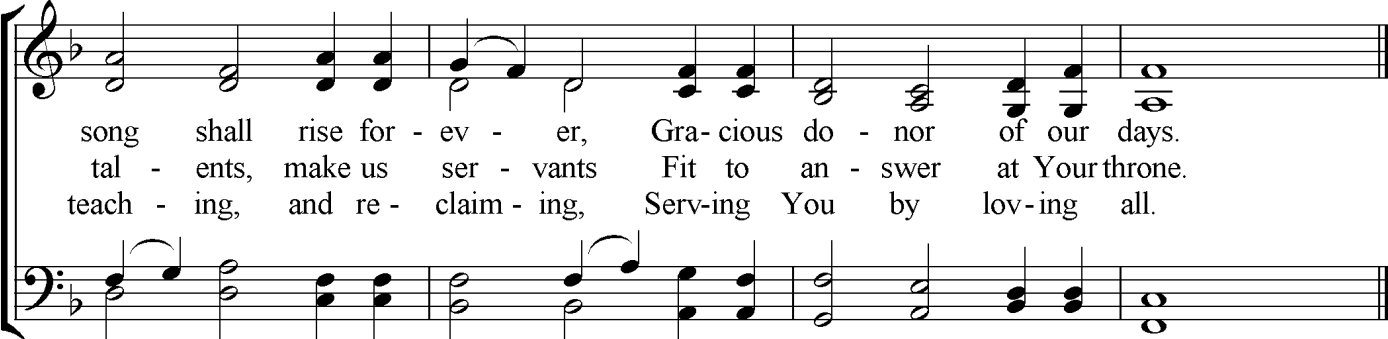
1. God, whose giv - ing knows no end - ing, From Your rich and end - less store, Na-ture's
2. Skills and time are ours for press - ing Toward the goals of Christ, Your Son: All at
3. Trea - sure too You have en - trust - ed, Gain through powers Your grace con - ferred; Ours to



won - der, Je - sus' wis - dom, Cost - ly cross, grave's shat - tered door: Gift - ed
peace in health and free - dom, Rac - es joined, the church made one. Now di -
use for home and kin - dred, And to spread the gos - pel Word. O - pen



by You, we turn to You, Of fering up our - selves in praise; Thank - ful
rect our dai - ly la - bor, Lest we strive for self - a - lone; Born with
wide our hands, in shar - ing, As we heed Christ's age - less call, Heal - ing,



song shall rise for - ev - er, Gra - cious do - nor of our days.
tal - ents, make us ser - vants Fit to an - swer at Your throne.
teach - ing, and re - claim - ing, Serv - ing You by lov - ing all.

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 - #S 129 The Holy Eucharist II, Holy, holy, holy Lord: *Sanctus*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and

might, hea - ven 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. _____

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 #S 169 My Flesh is Food Indeed

Cantor or Choir

My flesh is food in - deed, and my blood is drink in -

1 *All* 2 *Cantor or Choir*

deed, says the Lord. My Lord. Those who eat my

All

flesh and drink my blood dwell in me and I in them. My

flesh is food in - deed, and my blood is drink in - deed, says the Lord.

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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 HYMN: Lift Every Voice & Sing II, #154

Taste and See

Taste and see. Taste and see the good - ness

of the Lord. O Taste and see. Taste and

see the good - ness of the Lord. of the Lord. **Fine**

1. I will bless the Lord at all times.
 2. Glo - ri - fy the Lord with me.
 3. Wor - ship the Lord all you peo - ple.

1. — His praise shall al - ways be on my
 2. — To - geth - er let us all praise His
 3. — You'll want for noth - ing if you

1. lips; my soul shall
2. name. I called the
3. ask. Taste and

1. glo - ry in the Lord; for
2. Lord and He an - swered me; from
3. see that God is good; in

1. He has been so good to me.
2. all my trou - bles He set me free.
3. Him we need put all our trust.

D.C.

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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 CLOSING HYMN: Lift Every Voice & Sing, II #194 Lead Me, Guide Me

Refrain:




Lead me, guide me, a - long the way, For if you lead me, I can-not stray.




Lord, let me walk each day with thee. Lead me, oh Lord, lead me.


Verses:



1. I am weak and I need thy strength and pow'r to help me
2. Help me tread in the paths of right - eous - ness, Be my aid when



o - ver my weak - est hour. Help me through the sha - dows, thy
Sa - tan and sin op - press. I am put - ting all my



face to see, Lead me, oh Lord, lead me.
trust in thee. Lead me, oh Lord, lead me.

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon

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

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

THE CLOSING VOLUNTARY: "Aufschwung" from Fantasiestücke, op. 12 - Robert Schumann

This week's Coffee Hour is sponsored by The Art Gallery Team in the Brooks Foyer Gallery.