

The Holy Eucharist
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Prelude

Sheep May Safely Graze, J. S. Bach

The prelude offers the opportunity to prepare our hearts and minds for worship.
Please help keep the church a quiet and worshipful space during the prelude.

Hymn 414

Stuttgart

Descant

6 All thy works, O Lord, shall bless thee; thee shall all thy

1 God, my King, thy might confessing, ever will I
 2 Honor great our God befitting; who his majesty
 3 They shall talk of all thy glory, on thy might and
 4 Nor shall fail from memory's treasure works by love and
 5 Full of kindness and compassion, slow to anger,

saints adore: King supreme shall they confess thee,

1 bless thy Name; day by day thy throne addressing,
 2 thy can reach? Age to age his works transmitting,
 3 greatness dwell, speak of thy dread acts the story,
 4 mercy wrought, works of love surpassing measure,
 5 vast in love, God is good to all creation;

and pro - claim thy sov - ereign power.

1 still will I thy praise pro - claim.
 2 age to age his power shall teach.
 3 and thy deeds of won - der tell.
 4 works of mer - cy pass - ing thought.
 5 all his works his good - ness prove.

6 All thy works, O Lord, shall bless thee;
 thee shall all thy saints adore:
 King supreme shall they confess thee,
 and proclaim thy sovereign power.

Words: Richard Mant (1776-1848); para. of Psalm 145:1-2. Music: *Stuttgart*, melody from *Psalmodia Sacra, oder Anächtige und Schöne Gesänge*, 1715; adapt. and harm. William Henry Havergal (1793-1870), alt.; desc. John Wilson (1905-1992). By permission of Oxford University Press.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Book of Common Prayer, page 355

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is risen!
People **Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

Celebrant 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.**

Gloria in excelsis

S 280, Robert Powell

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
 peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - 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.

Celebrant
People

God be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

Anthem (St. Cecilia Choir)

Panis Angelicus, César Franck

Panis angelicus fit panis hominum: dat panis caelicus figuris terminum: O res mirabilis! Manducat Dominum pauper, servus et humilis. *Bread of angels made bread of men: bread of heaven the end of all imagining: O wondrous thing! The Lord is food for the poor, the slave and the lowly.*

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

7:55-60

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Stephen gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. "Look," he said, "I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!" But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." When he had said this, he died.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16

Book of Common Prayer, page 622

- 1 In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge;
let me never be put to shame; *
deliver me in your righteousness.
- 2 **Incline your ear to me; ***
make haste to deliver me.
- 3 Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe,
for you are my crag and my stronghold; *
for the sake of your Name, lead me and guide me.
- 4 **Take me out of the net that they have secretly set for me, ***
for you are my tower of strength.
- 5 Into your hands I commend my spirit, *
for you have redeemed me,
O Lord, O God of truth.
- 15 **My times are in your hand; ***
rescue me from the hand of my enemies,
and from those who persecute me.
- 16 Make your face to shine upon your servant, *
and in your loving-kindness save me.

A reading from the first letter of Peter

2:2-10

Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation— if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good. Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God’s sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture: “See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.” To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe, “The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner”, and “A stone that makes them stumble, and a rock that makes them fall.” They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do. But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God’s people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.


The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Hymn 417

Festival Canticle

Antiphon



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

1	Wor - thy	is	Christ, the Lamb	who was	slain, —	whose
2	Pow - er,	rich - es,	wis - dom,	and	strength, —	and
3	Sing —	with	all the peo - ple	of	God, —	and
4	Bless - ing,	hon - or,	glo - ry,	and	might	be to
5	For —	the	Lamb —	who was	slain	has be -



1 blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. [Ant.]
 2 hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his. [Ant.]
 3 join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion. [Ant.]
 4 God and the Lamb for ev - er. A - men. [Ant.]
 5 gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia! [Ant.]

Final Antiphon



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

John 14:1-14

Jesus said, "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going." Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him." Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it."

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Nicene Creed

Book of Common Prayer, page 358, adapted

**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:
was incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and became truly human.
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,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who 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.**

Prayers of the People

The Prayers of the People were written by our first graders, in honor of their Communion Celebration this Sunday

We love you, God, because you made the whole world. Thank you for always being right next to us. And for doing impossible things like being next to everyone in the world at the same time. Please bless our church, help us all to learn more about you, and help Mother Emily remember her lines.

Let the people say, **Amen.**

We pray for our country, for our state of New Jersey, and our towns, and for the President and Governor and Mayor and all the people who are in our government. Please help them with painting the streets, and help our country someday have a girl President.

Please help them, and other people who are in charge of things, like principals and teachers and bosses, to be nice and make good decisions.

Let the people say, **Amen.**

Thank you, God, for making us, and thank you for making so many people in the world so we can make friends. Please help us to be good friends, help us to be brave, help us with math when we need it, and help everyone figure out what “six seven” means. Let the people say, **Amen.**

Thank you for our families, and for our grandmas and grandpas.

Thank you for Ben, and for baby cousins and all babies. Please help them grow up strong.

Let the people say, **Amen.**

We pray for everyone who is sick or hurt, and everyone on the Trinity prayer list. Jesus, please make them better, and make sure they have bandaids and medicine and nurses and doctors to help them, and friends who will visit to make them happy. And please help us when it's hard to swallow the pills that help us with allergies. Let the people say, **Amen.**

Please help the people who are sad when someone dies, and please help all the people who have died, go to heaven. Let the people say, **Amen.**

Thank you for pets and all animals, and especially for bees because they help us have chocolate. Thank you for water and food, and for playing sports and winning our games. Thank you for bread, and for wine, and for communion. Let the people say, **Amen.**

The Celebrant adds a concluding prayer.

In the Easter season, the Confession is omitted in celebration of our freedom from the bondage of sin brought about through Christ's resurrection.

Exchange of Peace

The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

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

Announcements may be made about matters of interest to the congregation.

The Welcoming of Children to Communion (10 a.m. only)

Graham August Hulme * Charles Thomas Jaffe
Luke Charles Osterhout * Holly Magdalene Wojcik

At 8 a.m. there is a collection plate near the entrance to make your weekly gift or regular pledge offering.

At 10 a.m., a collection of financial gifts for the work of the church is received during the singing of the anthem.

Or, at either service, scan the QR code to make a gift electronically.



Offertory Anthem

Travelin' Shoes, Uzee Brown

Well, death come knockin' at the sinner's do'. Hello sinner, are you ready to go? No, no, no, no, no, no, no. Because I ain't put on my travelin' shoes, ain't done my duty Lord. No, no, no. My Lordy, no, no, no. Because I ain't put on my travelin' shoes. Well, death come knockin' at the laggard's do'. Hello laggard, are you ready to go? No, no, no, no, no, no, no. Because I ain't put on my travelin' shoes, ain't done my duty Lord. No, no, no. My Lordy, no, no, no. Because I ain't put on my travelin' shoes. Well, death come knockin' at the drunkard's do'. Hello drunkard, are you ready to go? No, no, no, no, no, no, no. Because I ain't put on my travelin' shoes, ain't done my duty Lord. No, no, no. My Lordy, no, no, no. Because I ain't put on my travelin' shoes. Well, death come knockin' at the Christian's do'. Hello Christian, are you ready to go? The Christian bent down an' he buckled his shoes. He said, "Yes, yes, yes, yes, yes. Because I just put on my travelin' shoes. Done done my duty Lord. Yes, yes, yes! My Lordy yes, yes, yes! Because I just put on my travelin' shoes."

Hymn at the Presentation

Old Hundredth

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Eucharistic Prayer 3 (said at 8:00 a.m., sung at 10:00 a.m.)

From *Enriching Our Worship*

Celebrant *People*

God be with you. And al - so with you.

Celebrant *People*

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; you brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind. Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; and so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout for joy:

S 129, Robert Powell

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.

The Celebrant continues:

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering. Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave to his friends and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: "Drink this, all of you: this cup is the New Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

Dying, you destroyed our death.

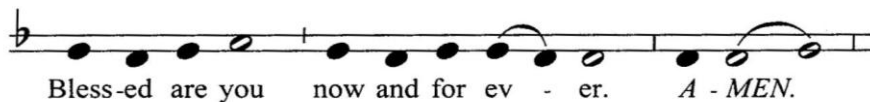
Rising, you restored our life.

Christ Jesus, come in glory!

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice, and love. Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with all your people into the joy of our true eternal home.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you, our God and Creator, in voices of unending praise.

Presider and People



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

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 Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread, then says
Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Celebrant invites the people to communion, saying
The gifts of God, for the people of God.

Those worshipping remotely may offer a prayer for “spiritual communion”, printed below.

A prayer for Spiritual Communion

Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament and, since I cannot at this time receive communion, I pray you to come into my heart. I unite myself with you and embrace you with all my heart, my soul, and my mind. Let nothing separate me from you; let me serve you in this life, until by your grace, I come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen.

(From Saint Augustine’s Prayer Book, rev 2014., based on a prayer by St. Alphonsus de Liguori)

Music at Communion:

Motet (Coventry Choir)

O Esca Viatorum, Heinrich Isaac and J. S. Bach

O esca viatorum, O panis angelorum, O manna caelitem! Esurientes ciba, dulce dine non priva corda quaerentium. O lympha, fons amoris, qui puro Salvatoris, e corde profluis te sitientes pota, hęc sola nostra vota, his una sufficis, his una sufficis. O Jesum tuum vultum, quem colimus occultum sub panis specie, fac, ut remoto velo, post libera in caelo cernamus facie. *O Food to pilgrims given, O Bread of life from heaven, O Manna from on high! We hunger; Lord supply us, nor thy delights deny us, whose hearts to thee draw nigh. O stream of love past telling, O purest fountain, welling from out the Savior’s side! We faint with thirst; revive us, of thine abundance give us, and all we need provide. O Jesus, by thee bidden, we here adore thee, hidden in forms of bread and wine. Grant when the veil is riven, we may behold, in heaven, thy countenance divine.*

Hymn 487

The Call

1 Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life: such a
 2 Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength: such a
 3 Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart: such a

way as gives us breath; such a truth as ends all
 light as shows a feast; such a feast as mends in
 joy as none can move; such a love as none can

strife; such a life as kill - eth death.
 length; such a strength as makes his guest.
 part; such a heart as joys in love.

Words: George Herbert (1593-1633). Music: *The Call*, Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958).

Hymn 525

Aurelia

1 The Church's one foun - da - tion is Je - sus Christ her Lord;
 2 E - lect from ev - ery na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth,
 3 Though with a scorn - ful won - der men see her sore op - pressed,
 4 Mid toil and tri - bu - la - tion, and tu - mult of her war
 5 Yet she on earth hath un - ion with God, the Three in One,

1 she is his new cre - a - tion by wa - ter and the word:
 2 her char - ter of sal - va - tion, one Lord, one faith, one birth;
 3 by schi - sms rent a - sun - der, by her - e - sies dis - tressed;
 4 she waits the con - sum - ma - tion of peace for ev - er - more;
 5 and mys - tic sweet com - mun - ion with those whose rest is won.

1 from heaven he came and sought her to be his ho - ly bride;
 2 one ho - ly Name she bless - es, par - takes one ho - ly food,
 3 yet saints their watch are keep - ing, their cry goes up, "How long?"
 4 till with the vi - sion glo - rious her long - ing eyes are blessed,
 5 O hap - py ones and ho - ly! Lord, give us grace that we

1 with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.
 2 and to one hope she press - es, with ev - ery grace en - dued.
 3 and soon the night of weep - ing shall be the morn of song.
 4 and the great Church vic - to - rious shall be the Church at rest.
 5 like them, the meek and low - ly, on high may dwell with thee.

Words: Samuel John Stone (1839-1900). Music: *Aurelia*, Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1818-1876).

Post communion prayer

from Enriching Our Worship

God of abundance,
 you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation;
 you have united us with Christ and one another;
 and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth.
 Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit,
 that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world
 and continue forever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

Blessing

The priest offers a blessing, and the people respond. Amen.

Hymn 559

Dulce carmen

1 Lead us, heaven - ly Fa - ther, lead us o'er the world's tem -
 2 Sa - vior, breathe for - give - ness o'er us; all our weak - ness
 3 Spi - rit of our God, de - scend - ing, fill our hearts with

pes - tuous sea; guard us, guide us, keep us, feed us,
 thou dost know; thou didst tread this earth be - fore us;
 heaven - ly joy; love with ev - ery pas - sion blend - ing,

for we have no help but thee, yet pos - ses - sing
 thou didst feel its keen - est woe; yet un - fear - ing,
 plea - sure that can nev - er cloy; thus pro - vid - ed,

ev - ery bless - ing, if our God our Fa - ther be.
 per - se - ver - ing, to thy pas - sion thou didst go.
 par - doned, guid - ed, noth - ing can our peace des - troy.

Words: James Edmeston (1791-1867), alt. Music: *Dulce carmen*, melody from *An Essay on the Church Plain Chant*, 1782; adapt. *Collection of Motets or Antiphons*, ca 1840; harm. William Henry Monk (1823-1889).

The Dismissal

The people are dismissed to go forth into the world.

People **Thanks be to God. [Alleluia, alleluia.]**

Postlude

Prelude in G Major, BWV 541, J. S. Bach



Wendy Carber, Jasmine Declat, Christopher Costa, Carolyn Weeks, *Altar Guild*

Jan Marcinkevich, Cora Williams, *Flower Guild*

The McDonnell Family, *Hospitality*

Joan Dighton; Rafael Declat, Maeve Senno, *Lectors*

Don Smith; Liz Louie, *Usbers*

Bob Litsinger, Jane Shaw; Todd Senno, Nancy Matthews, *Chalice Bearers*

Charlie Senno, Logan Ramirez, *Acolytes*

Jeff Wojcik, *Tech Guild*

Vernon Williams, *Music Director*

The Rev. Emily Mellott, *Officiant & Preacher*