

The Holy Eucharist

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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Prelude

Pavane, Paul Drayton

*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 518

Westminster Abbey

Descant

4 Here vouch - safe to all thy serv - ants what they ask of

1 Christ is made the sure foun - da - tion, Christ the head and
2 All that ded - i - cat - ed ci - ty, dear - ly loved of
3 To this tem - ple, where we call thee, come, O Lord of
4 Here vouch - safe to all thy serv - ants what they ask of

thee to gain; what they gain from thee, for ev - er

cor - ner - stone, cho - sen of the Lord, and pre - cious,
God on high, in ex - ult - ant ju - bi - la - tion
Hosts, to - day; with thy wont - ed lov - ing - kind - ness
thee to gain; what they gain from thee, for ev - er



with the bless - ed to re - tain, and here - af - ter
bind - ing all the Church in one; ho - ly Zi - on's
pours per - pet - ual mel - o - dy; God the One in
hear thy serv - ants as they pray, and thy full - est
with the bless - ed to re - tain, and here - af - ter
in thy glo - ry ev - er - more with thee to reign.
help for ev - er, and her con - fi - dence a - lone.
Three a - dor - ing in glad hymns e - ter - nal - ly.
ben - e - dic - tion shed with - in its walls al - way.
in thy glo - ry ev - er - more with thee to reign.

Words: Latin, ca. 7th cent.; tr. *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1861, after John Mason Neale (1818-1856), alt. Music: *Westminster Abbey*, Henry Purcell (1659-1695), adapt; desc. James Gillespie (b. 1929). Descant by permission of Church Society, London.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Book of Common Prayer, page 355

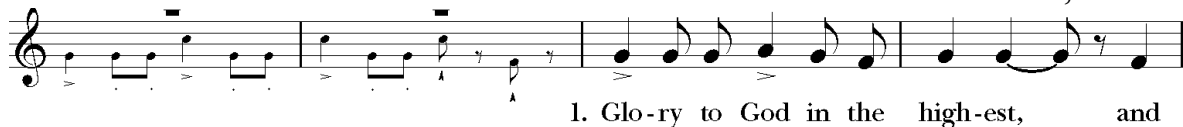
Celebrant Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

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

§ 278, William Mathias



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;

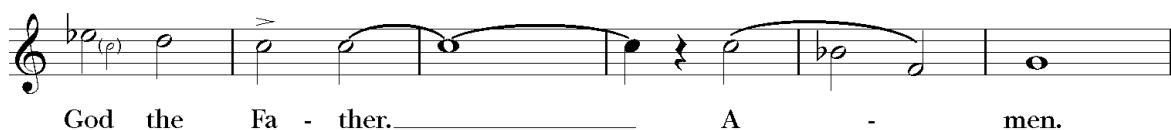
5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -

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



Celebrant God be with you.
People **And also with you.**
 Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The people are seated.

Anthem (10 a.m. only) (St. Cecilia Choir & Carol Choir) *Rejoice and be Glad*, Hal Hopson

This is the day, the day the Lord made, let us rejoice and let us be glad. God is our strength and God is our song, the Lord has become my salvation. Hear the glad songs the victory songs, for God has triumphed God is exalted. Open the gates, the gates of the Lord, and I will go through and give thanks. Hear the glad songs the victory songs, for God has triumphed God is exalted. This is the day, the day the Lord made, let us rejoice and let us be glad, Alleluia!

A reading from the book of Exodus

20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20

Then God spoke all these words: I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me. You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name. Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. For six days you shall labour and do all your work. Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you. You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor. When all the people witnessed the thunder and lightning, the sound of the trumpet, and the mountain smoking, they were afraid and trembled and stood at a distance, and said to Moses, "You speak to us, and we will listen; but do not let God speak to us, or we will die." Moses said

to the people, "Do not be afraid; for God has come only to test you and to put the fear of him upon you so that you do not sin."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 19

Book of Common Prayer, page 606

- 1 The heavens declare the glory of God, *
and the firmament shows his handiwork.
- 2 **One day tells its tale to another, ***
and one night imparts knowledge to another.
- 3 Although they have no words or language, *
and their voices are not heard,
- 4 **Their sound has gone out into all lands, ***
and their message to the ends of the world.
- 5 In the deep has he set a pavilion for the sun; *
it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber;
it rejoices like a champion to run its course.
- 6 **It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens**
and runs about to the end of it again; *
nothing is hidden from its burning heat.
- 7 The law of the Lord is perfect
and revives the soul; *
the testimony of the Lord is sure
and gives wisdom to the innocent.
- 8 **The statutes of the Lord are just**
and rejoice the heart; *
the commandment of the Lord is clear
and gives light to the eyes.
- 9 The fear of the Lord is clean
and endures for ever; *
the judgments of the Lord are true
and righteous altogether.
- 10 **More to be desired are they than gold,**
more than much fine gold, *
sweeter far than honey,
than honey in the comb.
- 11 By them also is your servant enlightened, *
and in keeping them there is great reward.
- 12 **Who can tell how often he offends? ***
cleanse me from my secret faults.

- 13 Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins;
 let them not get dominion over me; *
 then shall I be whole and sound,
 and innocent of a great offense.
- 14 **Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my
 heart be acceptable in your sight, ***
O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Philippians

3:4b-14

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless. Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead. Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Hymn 536

Torah Song [Yisrael V'oraitia]



1	O	-	pen	your	ears,	O	faith	-	ful	peo	-	ple,
2	They		who	have	ears	to	hear	the	mes	-	sage,	
3	Is	-	ra	-	el	comes	to	greet	the	Sa	-	vi- or,
4	O	-	pen	your	ears,	O	faith	-	ful	peo	-	ple,

o - pen your ears and hear God's word. O - pen your hearts, O
they who have ears, then let them hear. They who would learn the
Ju - dah is glad to see his day. From east and west the
o - pen your ears and hear God's word. O - pen your hearts, O

roy - al priest - hood, God has come to you.
way of wis - dom, let them hear God's word.
peo - ples trav - el, he will show the way.
roy - al priest - hood, God has come to you.

God has spo - ken to his peo - ple, Hal - le - lu - jah!

And his words are words of wis - dom, Hal - le - lu -

jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! God has spo - ken to his peo - ple,
To - rah o - ra, To - rah o - ra,

Hal - le - lu - jah! And his words are
To - rah o - ra,

words of wis - dom, Hal - le - lu - jah!
To - rah o - ra, Hal - le - lu - jah!

“Torah ora” is Hebrew for, “The Law is our Light.”

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

Matthew 21:33-46

Jesus said, “Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watchtower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another,

and stoned another. Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.' But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance.' So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?" They said to him, "He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time." Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the scriptures: 'The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord's doing, and it is amazing in our eyes'? Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom. The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and it will crush anyone on whom it falls." When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. Emily Mellott

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

Form VI, *Book of Common Prayer*, page 392

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, Sally 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.

The People may add their own petitions

Hear us, Lord;
For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

The People may add their own petitions

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 People may add their own petitions

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.

Silence may be kept.

**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.**

The Priest says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

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

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 (10 a.m. only)

Teach Me, O Lord, David Hurd

Refrain Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes, and I shall keep it to the end. Give me understanding, and I shall keep your law; I shall keep it with all my heart. Make me go in the path of your commandments, For that is my desire. *Refrain.* Incline my heart to your decrees and not to unjust gain. Turn my eyes from watching what is worthless; give me life in your ways. *Refrain.* Fulfill your promise to your servant, Which you make to those who fear you. Behold, I long for your commandments; In your righteousness preserve my life. *Refrain.*

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

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.

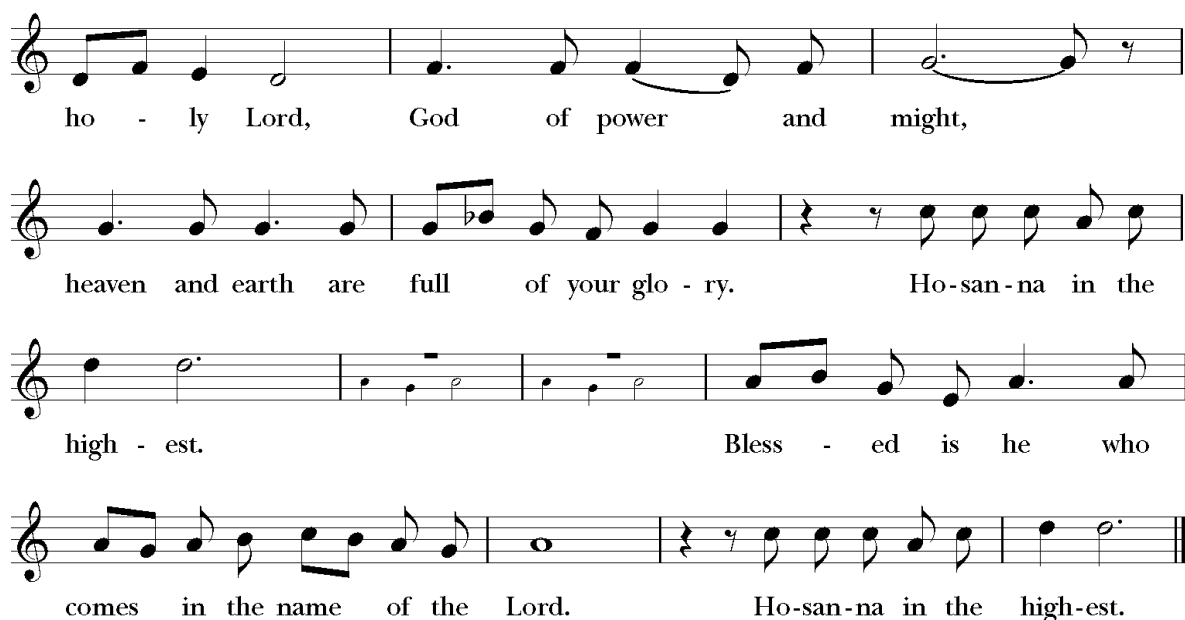
Celebrant
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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 128, William Mathias

Ho - ly, ho - ly,



The people kneel or stand, according to personal preference, as 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.

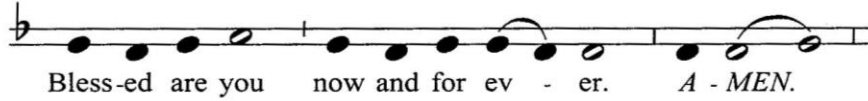
Rising, you restored our life.

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:

Hymn 407

Lukkason

Introduction



- 1 Most High, om - ni - po - tent, good Lord, to thee be
- 2 (My Lord be) praised by bro - ther sun who through the
- 3 (My Lord be) praised by sis - ter moon and all the
- 4 (By sis - ter) wa - ter be thou blessed, most hum - ble,
- 5 (By mo - ther) earth my Lord be praised; gov - erned by
- 6 (My Lord be) praised by those who prove in free for -
- 7 (For death our) sis - ter, prais - ed be, from whom no
- 8 (Most High, om) - ni - po - tent, good Lord, to thee be



- 1 cease-less praise out - poured, and bless - ing with - out mea - sure.
- 2 skies his course doth run, and shines in bril - liant splen - dor:
- 3 stars, that with her soon will point the glit - tering hea - vens.
- 4 use - ful, pre - cious, chaste; be praised by bro - ther fire; —
- 5 thee she hath up - raised what for our life is need - ful.
- 6 giv - ing - ness their love, nor shrink from trib - u - la - tion.
- 7 one a - live can flee. Woe to the un - pre - par - ed!
- 8 cease-less praise out - poured, and bless - ing with - out mea - sure.

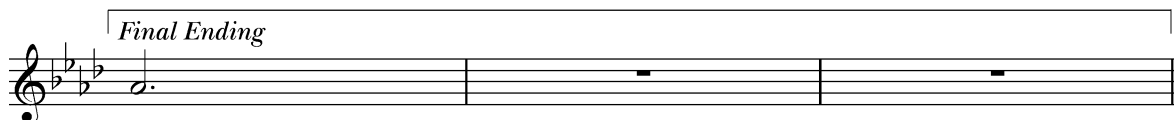


- 1 From thee a - lone all crea - tures came; no one is
- 2 with bright - ness he doth fill the day, and sig - ni -
- 3 Let wind and air and cloud and calm and weath - ers
- 4 joc - und is he, ro - bust and bright, and strong to
- 5 Sus - tained by thee, through ev - ery hour, she bring - eth
- 6 Hap - py, who peace - a - bly en - dure; with thee, Lord,
- 7 But blest be they who do thy will and fol - low
- 8 Let crea - tures all give thanks to thee, and serve in



1 wor - thy thee to name.
 2 fies thy bound - less sway.
 3 all, re - peat the psalm.
 4 light - en all the night.
 5 forth fruit, herb, and flower.
 6 their re - ward is sure.
 7 thy com - mand - ments still.
 8 great hu - mil - i - (ty.)

2 My Lord be
 3 My Lord be
 4 By sis - ter
 5 By mo - ther
 6 My Lord be
 7 For death our
 8 Most High, om -



ty.

This hymn may be sung by alternating groups, with all singing the first and final stanzas.

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Hymn 474

Rockingham

1 When I sur - vey the won - drous cross where the young
 2 For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the
 3 See, from his head, his hands, his feet sor - row and
 4 Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, that were an

Prince of Glo - ry died, my rich - est gain I
 cross of Christ, my God: all the vain things that
 love flow min - gled down! Did e'er such love and
 of - fering far too small; love so a - maz - ing,



Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748). Music: *Rockingham*, from *Second Supplement to Psalmody in Miniature*, ca. 1970; harm. Edward Miller (1731-1807).

The people stand or kneel, as able

Post communion prayer

Book of Common Prayer, p. 365, adapted

Eternal God,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of 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 Savior. Amen.

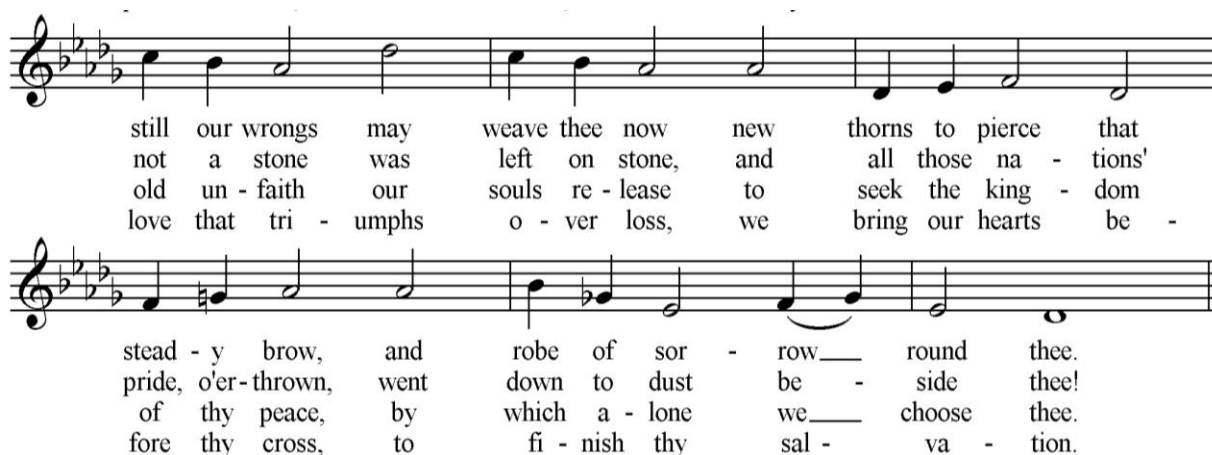
Blessing

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

Hymn 598

Mit Freuden zart

1. Lord Christ, when first thou cam'st to earth, up - on a cross they bound thee, and
 2. O awe - ful Love, which found no room in life where sin de - nied thee, and,
 3. New ad - vent of the love of Christ, shall we a - gain re - fuse thee, till
 4. O wound - ed hands of Je - sus, build in us thy new cre - a - tion; our
 mocked thy sav - ing king - ship then by thorns with which they crowned thee: and
 doomed to death, must bring to doom the powers which cru - ci - fied thee, till
 in the night of hate and war we per - ish as we lose thee? From
 pride is dust, our vaunt is stilled, we wait thy rev - e - la - tion: O



still our wrongs may weave thee now new thorns to pierce that
not a stone was left on stone, and all those na - tions'
old un - faith our souls re - lease to seek the king - dom
love that tri - umphs o - ver loss, we bring our hearts be -
stead - y brow, and robe of sor - row round thee.
pride, o'er - thrown, went down to dust be - side thee!
of thy peace, by which a - lone we choose thee.
fore thy cross, to fi - nish thy sal - va - tion.

Words: Walter Russell Bowie (1882-1969)

Music: *Mit Freuden zart*, melody from "une pastourelle gentille," 1529;
adapt. *Pseaumes cinquante de David*, 1547.

The Dismissal

The people are dismissed to go forth into the world.

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

Postlude

Processional, William Mathias



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

Mary Barker, Grace Marcelle, *Flower Guild*

The Men's Group, *Hospitality*

Joan Dighton; Michael Bathke, Braden Smith, Aaron Smith, *Lectors*

Stephen Meader; David Douglass, *Ushers*

Jasmine Declet, Lorraine Ryan; Jane Shaw, Christopher Costa, *Chalice Bearers*

Connor Van Name, Maris Donato, Logan Ramirez, *Acolytes*

Jeff Wojcik, *Tech Guild*

Fiona Smith Sutherland, *Music Director*

The Rev. Emily Mellott, *Celebrant & Preacher*