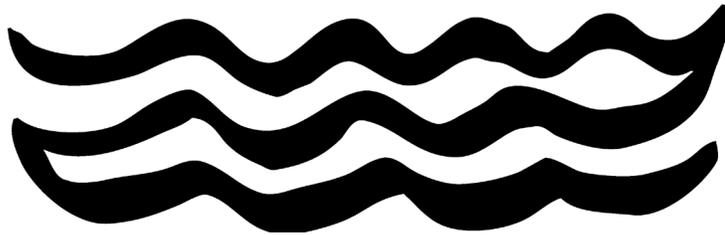
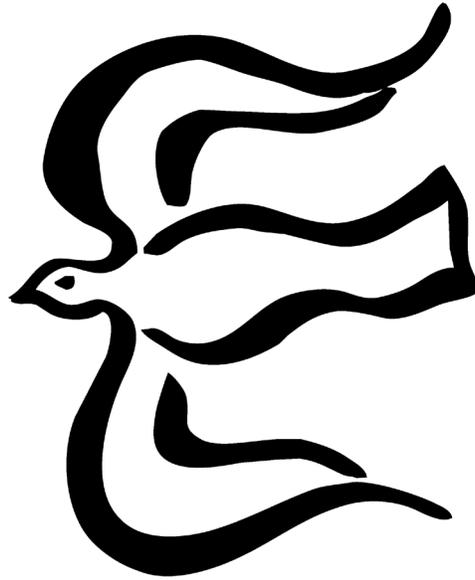


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**St. James is a community centered on the love of Jesus,  
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**Second Sunday in Lent  
Sunday, 1 March 2026**

# The Holy Eucharist Rite Two

## Prelude

## Entrance Rite

OPENING HYMN *How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord (Foundation)* (Hymn 636)



1 How firm a foun - da - tion, ye saints of the Lord,  
2 "Fear not, I am with thee; O be not dis - mayed!  
3 "When through the deep wa - ters I call thee to go,  
4 "When through fier - y tri - als thy path - way shall lie,  
5 "The soul that to Je - sus hath fled for re - pose,



1 is laid for your faith in his ex - cel - lent word!  
2 For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;  
3 the riv - ers of woe shall not thee o - ver - flow;  
4 my grace, all - suf - fi - cient, shall be thy sup - ply;  
5 I will not, I will not de - sert to its foes;



1 What more can he say than to you he hath said,  
2 I'll strength - en thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,  
3 for I will be with thee, thy trou - bles to bless,  
4 the flame shall not hurt thee; I on - ly de - sign  
5 that soul, though all hell shall en - deav - or to shake,



1 to you that for ref - uge to Je - sus have fled?  
2 up - held by my right - eous, om - ni - po - tent hand.  
3 and sanc - ti - fy to thee thy deep - est dis - tress.  
4 thy dross to con - sume, and thy gold to re - fine.  
5 I'll nev - er, no, nev - er, no, nev - er for - sake."

**OPENING ACCLAMATION**

*The people standing, the Presider says*

Presider Blessed be God who forgives all our sins.

People *God's mercy endures for ever.*

**COLLECT FOR PURITY**

*The Presider may say*

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.*

**SONG OF PRAISE**

*Lord, have mercy upon us (Willan) (S 91)*

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up -

on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -

on us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -

on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider        The Lord be with you.  
People         *And also with you.*  
Presider        Let us pray.

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word, Jesus Christ your Son; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

## The Lessons

### FIRST READING: Genesis 12:1-4a

*The people sit.*

A Reading from the book of Genesis.

<sup>1</sup>Now the LORD said to Abram, “Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you. <sup>2</sup>I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. <sup>3</sup>I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.”

<sup>4a</sup>So Abram went, as the LORD had told him.

Reader        The Word of the Lord.  
People         *Thanks be to God.*

*Silence may follow.*

### PSALM: Psalm 121

*Remain seated.*

<sup>1</sup>I lift up my eyes to the hills; \*  
from where is my help to come?

<sup>2</sup>My help comes from the LORD, \*  
the maker of heaven and earth.

<sup>3</sup>He will not let your foot be moved \*  
and he who watches over you will not fall asleep.

<sup>4</sup>Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel \*  
shall neither slumber nor sleep;

<sup>5</sup>The LORD himself watches over you; \*  
the LORD is your shade at your right hand,

<sup>6</sup>So that the sun shall not strike you by day, \*  
nor the moon by night.

<sup>7</sup>The LORD shall preserve you from all evil; \*  
it is he who shall keep you safe.

<sup>8</sup>The LORD shall watch over your going out and your coming in, \*  
from this time forth forevermore.

## **SECOND READING: Romans 4:1-5, 13-17**

*The people sit.*

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Church in Rome.

<sup>1</sup>What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? <sup>2</sup>For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. <sup>3</sup>For what does the scripture say? “Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness.” <sup>4</sup>Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. <sup>5</sup>But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness.

<sup>13</sup>For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. <sup>14</sup>If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. <sup>15</sup>For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

<sup>16</sup>For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, <sup>17</sup>as it is written, “I have made you the father of many nations”)—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

Reader           The Word of the Lord.

People            *Thanks be to God.*

*Silence may follow.*

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *Holy God (Archangelsky) (S 102)***

*All stand.*

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,  
Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of text, and the second staff contains the melody for the second line. The music is written in a simple, hymn-like style with block chords and a clear melodic line.

**GOSPEL: John 3:1-17**

*All stand.*

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

<sup>1</sup>Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. <sup>2</sup>He came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.” <sup>3</sup>Jesus answered him, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.” <sup>4</sup>Nicodemus said to him, “How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother’s womb and be born?” <sup>5</sup>Jesus answered, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. <sup>6</sup>What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. <sup>7</sup>Do not be astonished that I said to you, ‘You must be born from above.’ <sup>8</sup>The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.” <sup>9</sup>Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?” <sup>10</sup>Jesus answered him, “Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

<sup>11</sup>“Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. <sup>12</sup>If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? <sup>13</sup>No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. <sup>14</sup>And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, <sup>15</sup>that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

<sup>16</sup>“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

<sup>17</sup>“Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.”

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.  
People *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

**THE HOMILY**

## THE CREED

*All stand.*

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.

## El Credo Niceno

Creemos en un solo Dios, Padre todopoderoso,  
Creador de cielo y tierra,  
de todo lo visible e invisible.

Creemos en un solo Señor, Jesucristo,  
Hijo único de Dios,  
nacido del Padre antes de todos los siglos: Dios de  
Dios, Luz de Luz,  
Dios verdadero de Dios verdadero, engendrado, no  
creado,  
de la misma naturaleza que el Padre,  
por quien todo fue hecho;  
que por nosotros y por nuestra salvación  
bajó del cielo:  
por obra del Espíritu Santo  
se encarnó de María, la Virgen, y se hizo hombre.

Por nuestra causa fue crucificado  
en tiempos de Poncio Pilato:  
padeció y fue sepultado.  
Resucitó al tercer día, según las Escrituras, subió al  
cielo  
y está sentado a la derecha del Padre. De nuevo  
vendrá con gloria  
para juzgar a vivos y muertos,  
y su reino no tendrá fin.

Creemos en el Espíritu Santo,  
Señor y dador de vida,  
que procede del Padre y del Hijo,  
que con el Padre y el Hijo  
recibe una misma adoración y gloria,  
y que habló por los profetas.

Creemos en la Iglesia,  
que es una, santa, católica y apostólica.  
Reconocemos un solo Bautismo  
para el perdón de los pecados. Esperamos la  
resurrección de los muertos y la vida del mundo  
futuro. Amén.

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*All remain standing.*

Father, we pray for your holy catholic Church;  
*That we all may be one.*

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;  
*That your Name may be glorified by all people.*

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;  
*That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.*

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;  
*That there may be justice and peace on the earth.*

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;  
*That our works may find favor in your sight.*

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;  
*That they may be delivered from their distress.*

Give to the departed eternal rest;  
*Let light perpetual shine upon them.*

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;  
*May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.*

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

*Silence*

*The People may add their own petitions.*

*The Presider and the People say together*

O God, you made us in your own image and redeemed us through Jesus your Son: Look with compassion on the whole human family; take away the arrogance and hatred which infect our hearts; break down the walls that separate us; unite us in bonds of love; and work through our struggle and confusion to accomplish your purposes on earth; that, in your good time, all nations and races may serve you in harmony around your heavenly throne; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen

## CONFESSION OF SIN

*The Deacon or Presider says*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Minister and People*

Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

*The Priest stands and says*

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

*All stand.*

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

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

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES** *Please refer to back page*

## LA CONFESIÓN DE PECADO

*El diácono, o quien preside, dice:*

Confesemos nuestros pecados contra Dios y  
nuestro prójimo.

*Se puede guardar un período de silencio.*

Dios de misericordia,  
confesamos que hemos pecado contra ti  
de pensamiento, palabra y obra,  
por lo que hemos hecho  
y por lo que hemos dejado sin hacer.  
No te hemos amado de todo corazón;  
no hemos amado al prójimo como a nosotros  
mismos. Sincera y humildemente nos arrepentimos.  
Por tu Hijo Jesucristo,  
ten piedad de nosotros y perdónanos;  
así tu voluntad será nuestra alegría  
y caminaremos en tus sendas  
para gloria de tu nombre. Amén.

*Quien preside declara:*

Dios Todopoderoso tenga misericordia de ustedes,  
perdone todos sus pecados por Jesucristo nuestro  
Señor, los fortalezca en toda bondad y por el poder  
del Espíritu Santo los guarde en la vida eterna.  
Amén

## LA PAZ

*De pie.*

*Preside*    La paz del Señor sea siempre con ustedes.  
*Pueblo*    *Y también contigo.*

*El pueblo puede saludarse en nombre del Señor*

# The Holy Communion

## OFFERTORY SENTENCE

*The Presider says*

Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good your vows to the Most High. *Psalm 50:14*

## OFFERTORY HYMN *My faith looks up to thee (Olivet)* (Hymn 691)



1 My faith looks up to thee, thou Lamb of Cal - va - ry,  
2 May thy rich grace im - part strength to my faint - ing heart,  
3 While life's dark maze I tread, and griefs a - round me spread,



Sa - vior di - vine! Now hear me while I pray, take all my  
my zeal in - spire; as thou hast died for me, O may my  
be thou my guide; bid dark-ness turn to day; wipe sor - row's



guilt a - way; O let me from this day be whol - ly thine.  
love to thee pure, warm, and change-less be, a liv - ing fire.  
tears a - way, nor let me ev - er stray from thee a - side.

## The Great Thanksgiving

*The People remain standing.*

Presider The Lord be with you.  
People *And also with you.*

Presider Lift up your hearts.  
People *We lift them to the Lord.*

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
People *It is right to give him thanks and praise.*

*The Presider proceeds*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again.

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:

**Santo, santo, santo [Holy, holy, holy] (Wonder, Love and Praise 785)**

San - to, san - to, san - to, mi cor - a - zon te a - do - ra! Mi  
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, my heart, my heart a - dores you! My

cor - a - zon te sa - be de - cir: san - to e - res Se - ñor.  
heart is glad to say the words: you are ho - ly, Lord.

*The People stand or kneel.*

*The Presider continues*

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,

*Presider and People*

We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;

*The Presider continues*

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, with James and John and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; 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,

*People and Presider*

Our Father in heaven,  
    hallowed be your Name,  
    your kingdom come,  
    your will be done, on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
    as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial  
    and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
    and the glory are yours,  
    now and forever. Amen.

Oremos como nuestro Salvador Cristo nos enseñó.

Padre nuestro que estás en el cielo,  
    santificado sea tu Nombre,  
    venga tu reino,  
    hágase tu voluntad, en la tierra  
    como en el cielo.  
Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día.  
Perdona nuestras ofensas,  
    como también nosotros perdonamos  
    a los que nos ofenden.  
No nos dejes caer en tentación y líbranos del mal.  
Porque tuyo es el reino, tuyo es el poder,  
y tuya es la gloria,  
ahora y por siempre. Amén

## The Breaking of the Bread

### *Lamb of God (Hurd) (S 161)*

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 Presider says*

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

### *The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words*

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. *Amen.*  
The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. *Amen.*

**COMMUNION HYMN** *Let thy Blood in mercy poured (Jesus, meine Zuversicht) (Hymn 313)*

1 Let thy Blood in mer - cy poured, let thy gra - cious  
2 Thou didst die that I might live; bless - ed Lord, thou  
3 By the thorns that crowned thy brow, by the spear-wound  
4 Wilt thou own the gift I bring? All my pen - i -

Bo - dy bro - ken, be to me, O gra - cious Lord,  
cam'st to save me; all that love of God could give  
and the nail - ing, by the pain and death, I now  
tence I give thee; thou art my ex - alt - ed King,

*Refrain*

of thy bound-less love the to - ken.  
Jes - us by his sor - rows gave me. Thou didst give thy -  
claim, O Christ, thy love un - fail - ing.  
of thy match-less love for - give me.

self for me, now I give my - self to thee.

**POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

*After Communion, the Presider says*

Let us pray.

*Presider and People*

Eternal God, heavenly Father, 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.  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**BLESSING**

*The Priest blesses the people, saying*

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. *Amen.*

**CLOSING HYMN *Lift High the Cross (Crucifer)* (Hymn 473)**

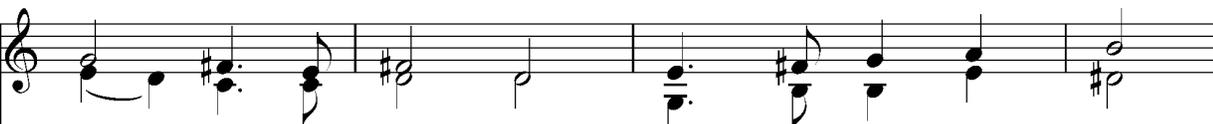
*Refrain*



Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim



till all the world a - dore his sa - cred Name.



Led on their way by this tri - um - phant sign,

Each new - born ser - vant of the Cru - ci - fied

O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,

So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be:



the hosts of God in con - quering ranks com - bine.

bears on the brow the seal of him who died.

as thou hast prom - ised, draw the world to thee.

praise to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry.

**DISMISSAL**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People

*Thanks be to God.*

### *Ministers of the Liturgy*

Presider	The Rev. Richard Rollefson
Deacon	The Rev. Jim Arnold
Eucharistic Minister	Becky Hewatt
Lector	Valarie Crandal-Lowman
Ushers	Dennis & Betsy Breckow
Musician	Josh Tarica
Tech	Newlin Hastings
Vestry on Duty	Becky Hewatt
Acolytes	Rebecca Arroyo & Alie Hastings
Altar Guild	Team A
Coffee Hour	Liz & Newlin Hastings
Counters	Liz & Newlin Hastings

### *Birthdays*

Watch over your child, O Lord, as *her* days increase; bless and guide *her* wherever *she* may be. Strengthen *her* when *she* stands; comfort *her* when discouraged or sorrowful; raise *her* up when *she* falls; and in *her* heart may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of *her* life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*

### *Anniversaries*

O God, you have called us into faithful friendship with you and each other: Send therefore your blessing upon these your servants, that they may so love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness, that their home may be a haven of blessing and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. *Amen*

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