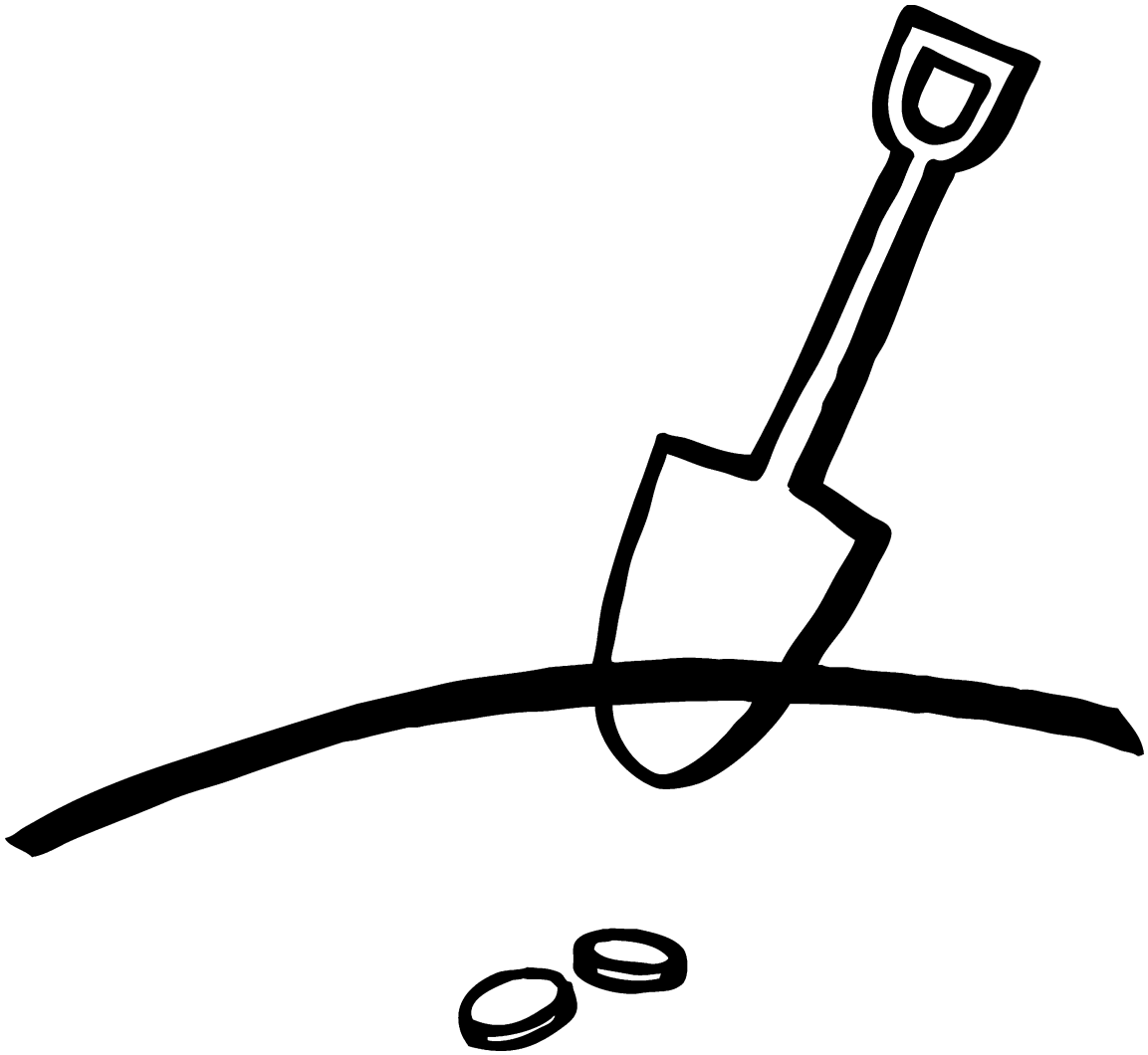
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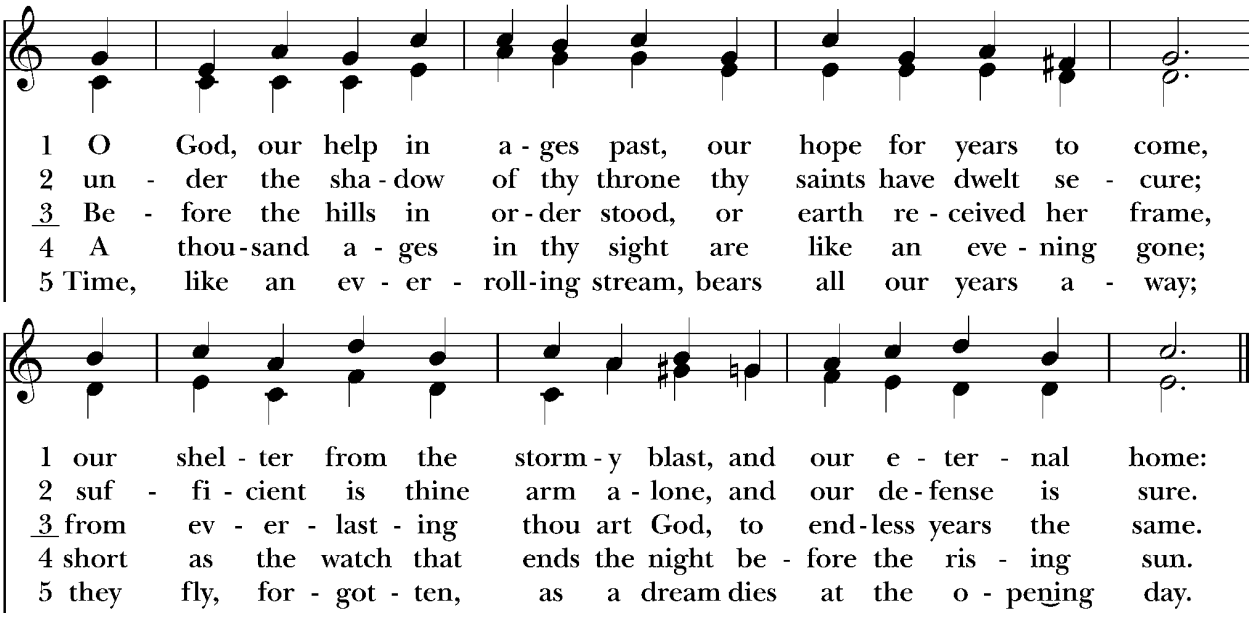


Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost
15 November 2026

Proper 28
The Holy Eucharist Rite Two

Prelude

Entrance Rite

OPENING HYMN *O God, our help in ages past (St. Anne)* (Hymn 680)



6 O God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,
be thou our guide while life shall last,
and our eternal home.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

The people standing, the Presider says

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People *And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.*
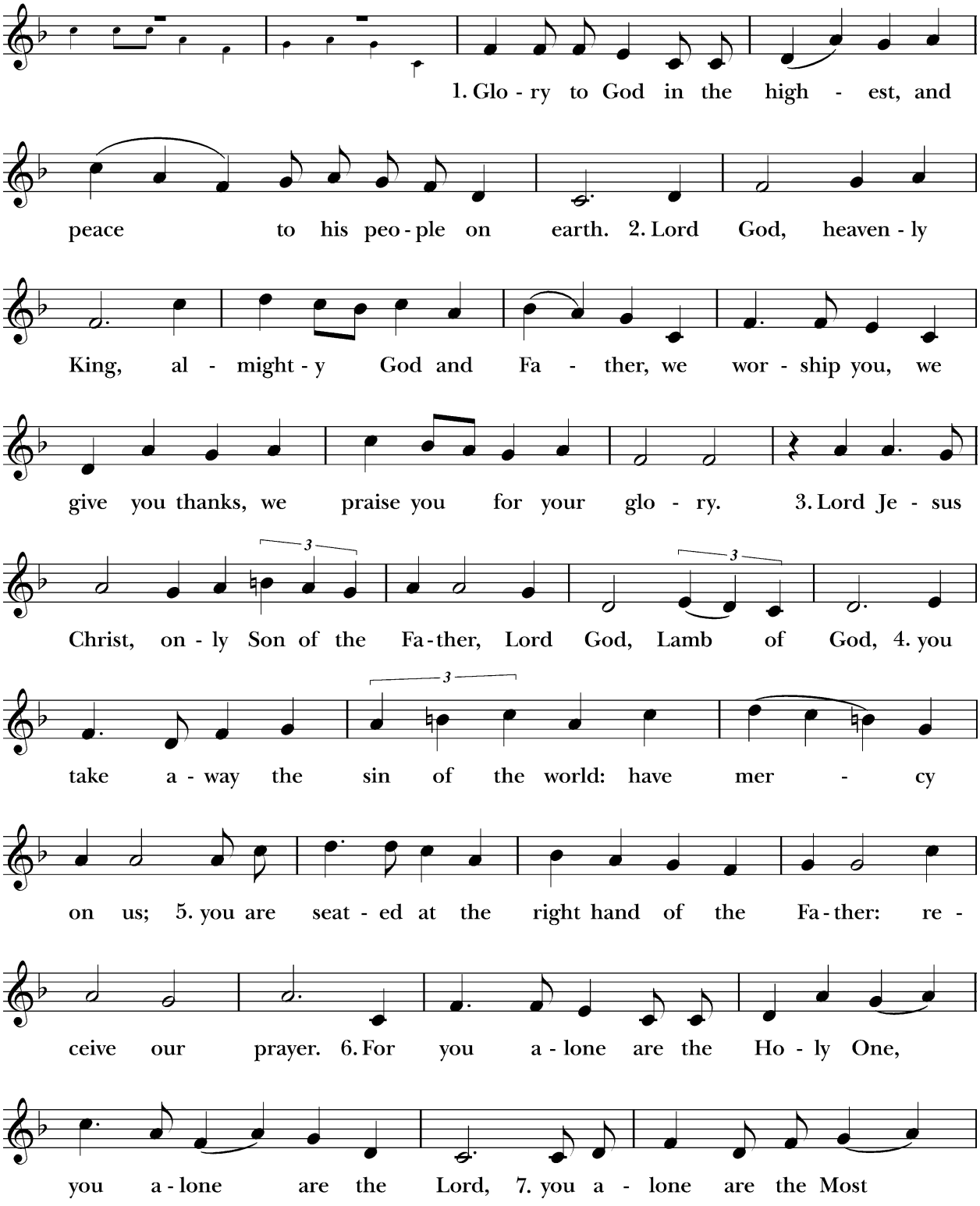
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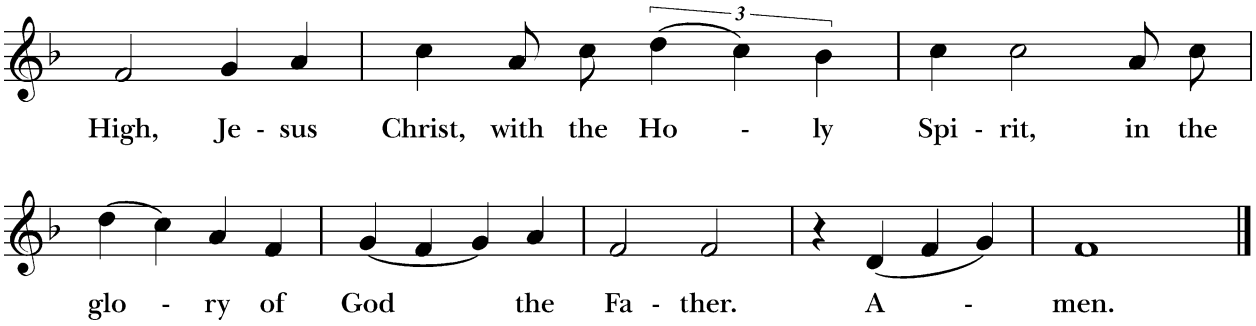
The Presider may say

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 ***Glory to God (Canticle 20) (Powell)*** **(S 280)**

The following is sung, all standing





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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

The Lessons

FIRST READING: Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18

The people sit.

A Reading from the book of the prophet Zephaniah.

7 Be silent before the Lord GOD!
For the day of the LORD is at hand;
the LORD has prepared a sacrifice,
he has consecrated his guests.

12 At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps,
and I will punish the people
who rest complacently on their dregs,
those who say in their hearts,
"The LORD will not do good,
nor will he do harm."
13 Their wealth shall be plundered,
and their houses laid waste.
Though they build houses,
they shall not inhabit them;
though they plant vineyards,
they shall not drink wine from them.

14 The great day of the LORD is near,
near and hastening fast;
the sound of the day of the LORD is bitter,
the warrior cries aloud there.
15 That day will be a day of wrath,
a day of distress and anguish,
a day of ruin and devastation,
a day of darkness and gloom,
a day of clouds and thick darkness,
16 a day of trumpet blast and battle cry
against the fortified cities
and against the lofty battlements.

17 I will bring such distress upon people
that they shall walk like the blind;
because they have sinned against the LORD,
their blood shall be poured out like dust,
and their flesh like dung.
18 Neither their silver nor their gold
will be able to save them
on the day of the LORD's wrath;
in the fire of his passion
the whole earth shall be consumed;
for a full, a terrible end
he will make of all the inhabitants of the earth.

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

Silence may follow.

PSALM: Psalm 90:1-8 [9-11] 12
Remain seated.

[1]Lord, you have been our refuge *
from one generation to another.

[2]Before the mountains were brought forth, or the land and the earth were born, *
from age to age you are God.

[3]You turn us back to the dust and say, *
"Go back, O child of earth."

[4]For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past *
and like a watch in the night.

[5]You sweep us away like a dream; *
we fade away suddenly like the grass.

[6]In the morning it is green and flourishes; *
in the evening it is dried up and withered.

[7]For we consume away in your displeasure; *
we are afraid because of your wrathful indignation.

[8]Our iniquities you have set before you, *
and our secret sins in the light of your countenance.

[9]When you are angry, all our days are gone; *
we bring our years to an end like a sigh.

[10]The span of our life is seventy years, perhaps in strength even eighty; *
yet the sum of them is but labor and sorrow, for they pass away quickly and we are gone.

[11]Who regards the power of your wrath? *
who rightly fears your indignation?

[12]So teach us to number our days, *
that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.

SECOND READING: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11
The people sit.

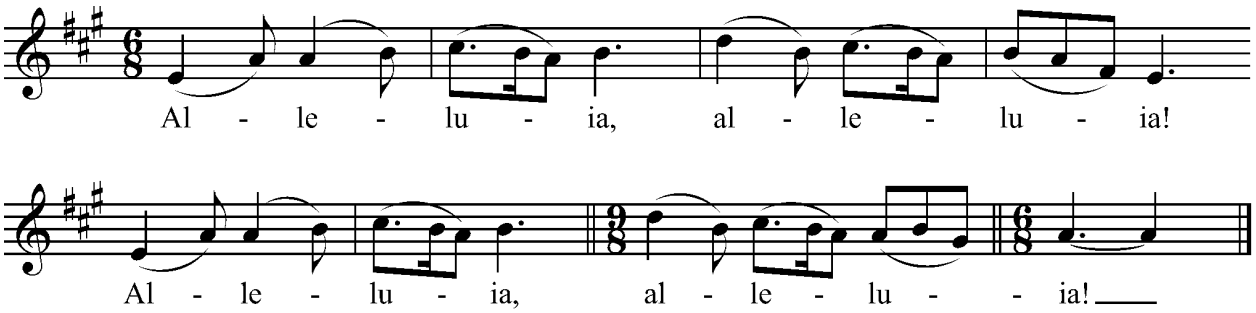
A Reading from Paul's First letter to the Church in Thessalonika.

[1]Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to
you. [2]For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. [3]When
they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come
upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! [4]But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to
surprise you like a thief; [5]for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of
darkness. [6]So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; [7]for those who sleep
sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. [8]But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and
put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. [9]For God has destined us not
for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, [10]who died for us, so that whether we are
awake or asleep we may live with him. [11]Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed
you are doing.

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

Silence may follow.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *Celtic Alleluia (O'Carroll/Walker)* (My Heart Sings Out 20)
All stand.



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GOSPEL: Matthew 25:14-30
All stand.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Deacon

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

14 Jesus said, "The kingdom of heaven will be as when a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and
entrusted his property to them; 15 to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to
his ability. Then he went away. 16 The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with
them, and made five more talents. 17 In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents.
18 But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's
money. 19 After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. 20 Then the one who
had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me
five talents; see, I have made five more talents.' 21 His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy
slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of
your master.' 22 And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me
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slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of
your master.' 24 Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that
you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; 25 so I was
afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' 26 But his master replied,
'You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not
scatter? 27 Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have
received what was my own with interest. 28 So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten
talents. 29 For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who
have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. 30 As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer
darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' "

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

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.

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.

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*.

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

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.

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

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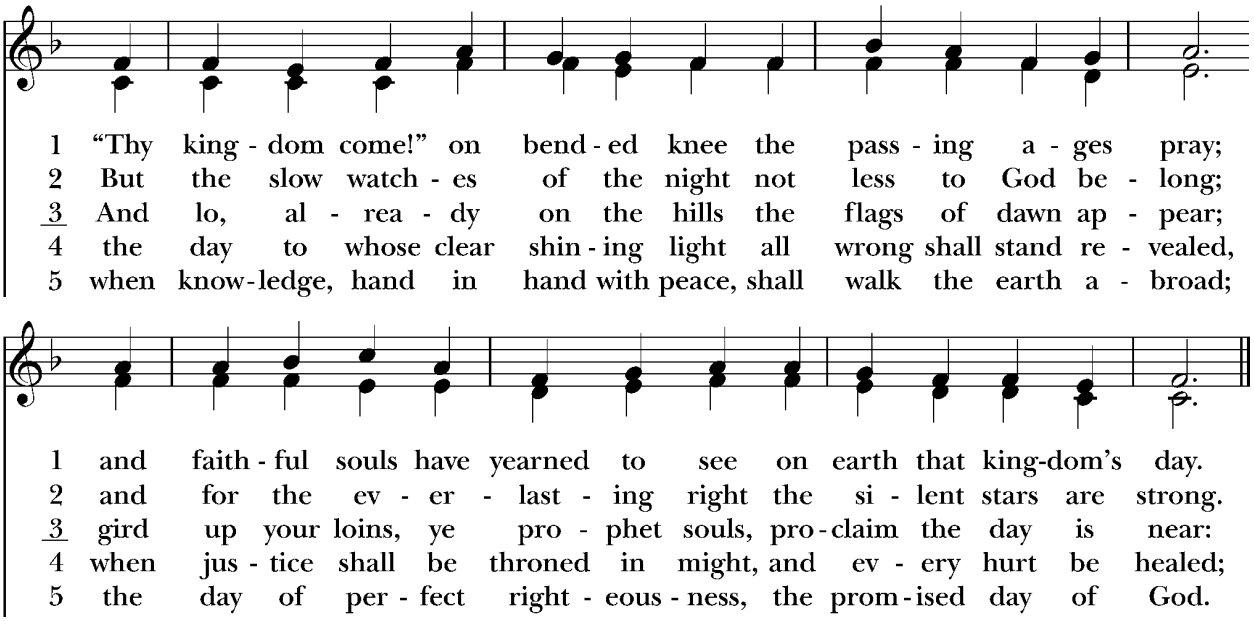
The Holy Communion

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 *"Thy kingdom come!" on bended knee (St. Flavian)* (Hymn 615)



The Great Thanksgiving

The People remain standing.

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

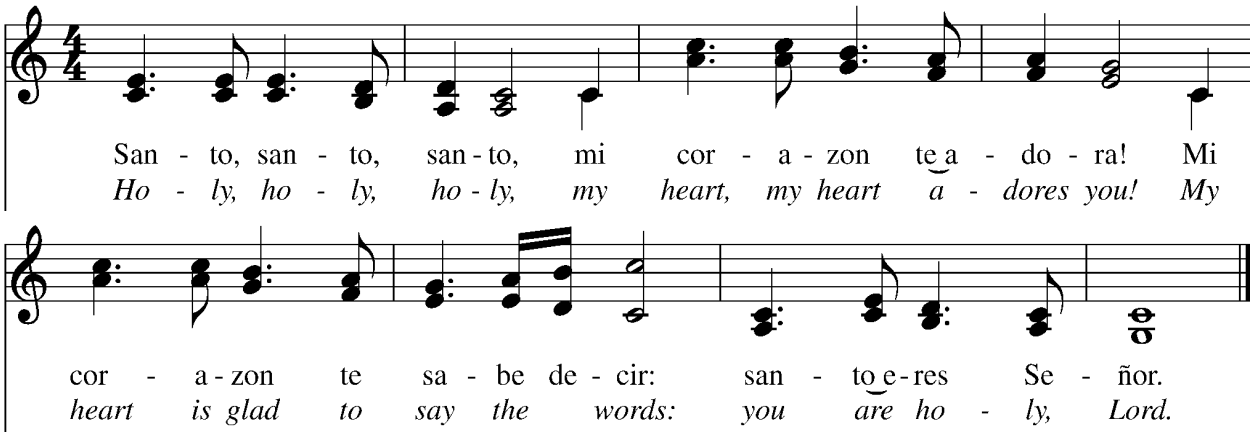
Presider Lift up your hearts.
People *We lift them to the Lord.*

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

The Presider proceeds with a proper preface

…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)**



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*.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

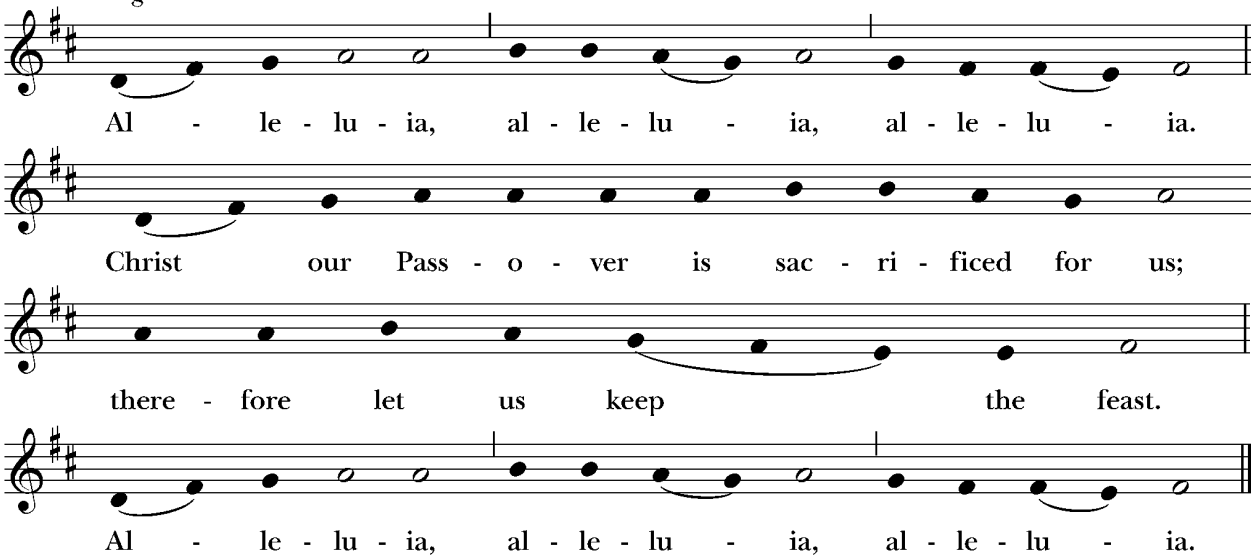
Oremos como nuestro Salvador Cristo nos enseñó.

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

***Christ our Passover (Hurd)* (*S 154*)**

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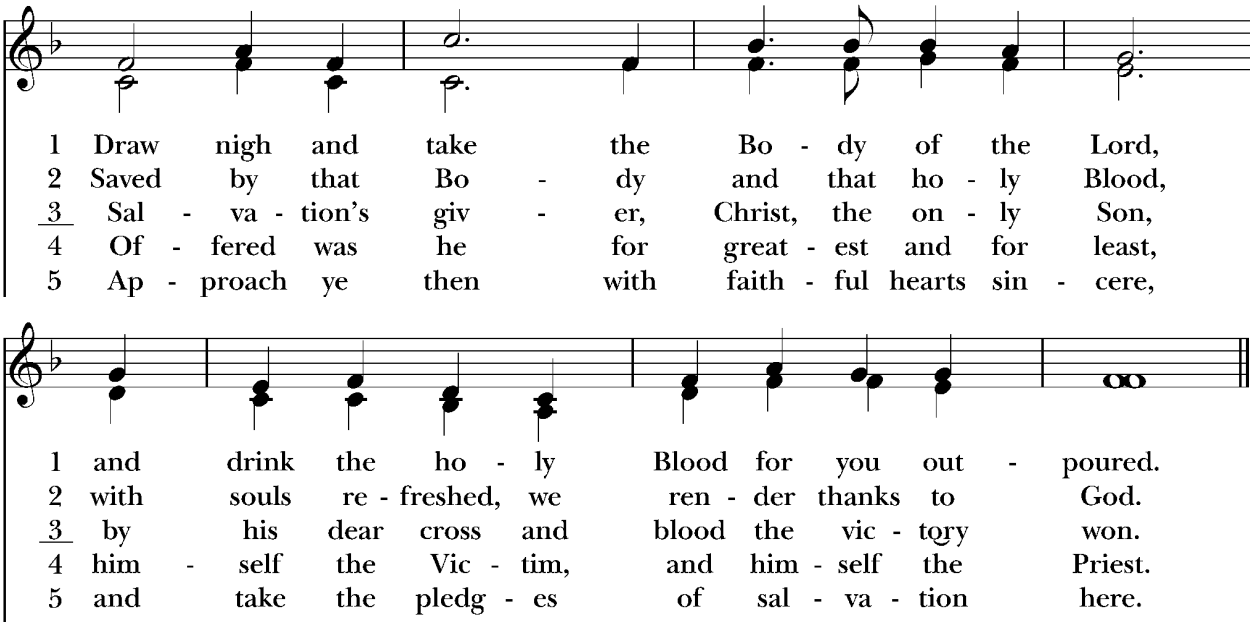
The Presider says

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 ***Draw nigh and take the Body of the Lord (Song 46)*** **(Hymn 328)**



POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

After Communion, the Presider says

Let us pray.

Presider and People
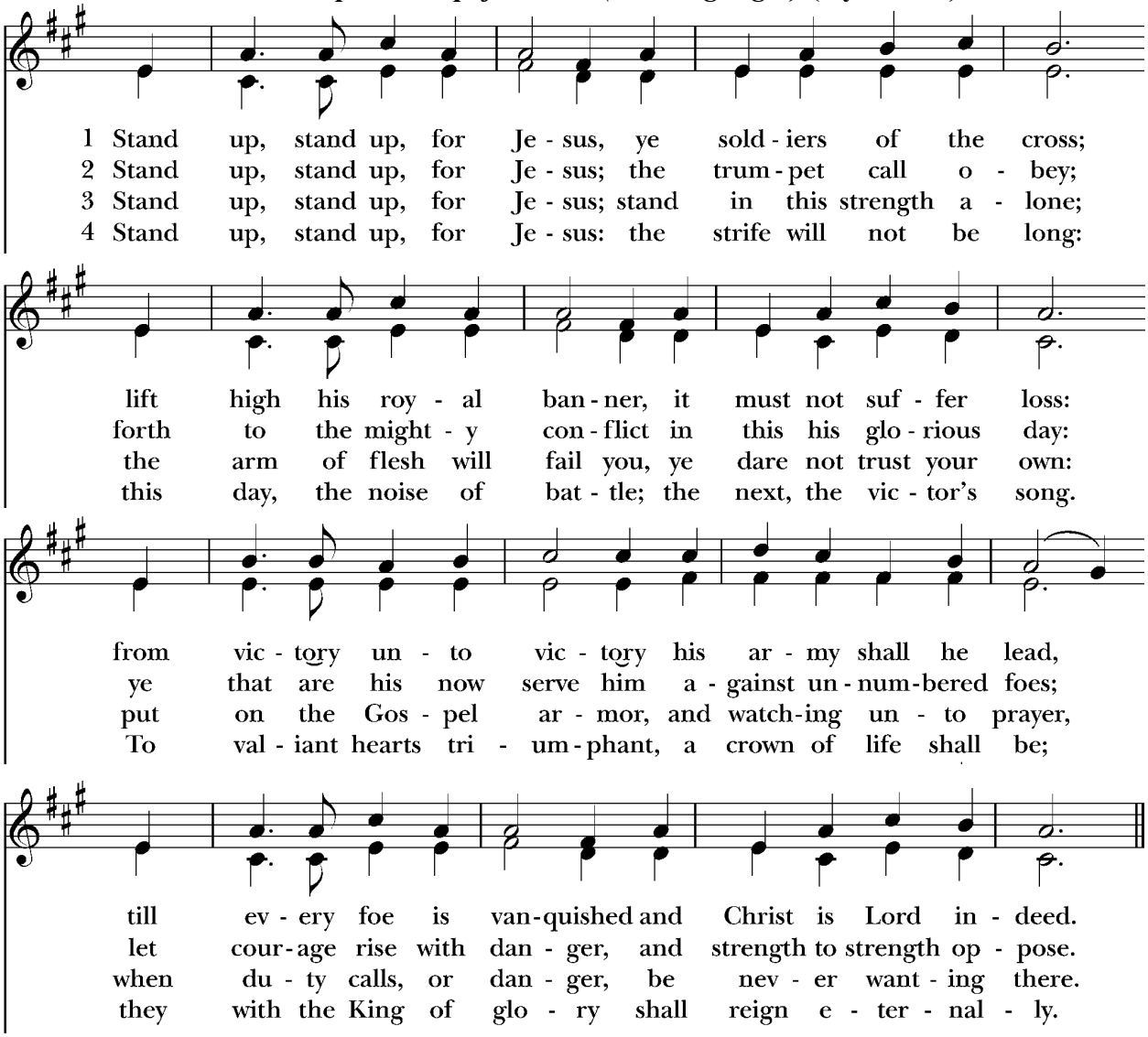
Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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 ***Stand up, stand up, for Jesus (Morning Light)*** **(Hymn 561)**



DISMISSAL

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People *Thanks be to God.*

Ministers of the Liturgy

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Eucharistic Minister	Lucy Simola
Chalice Bearer	Marilyn Gerber
Lector	Lee Adinolfi
Spanish Gospeler	David Dod
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Musician	Valarie Crandal-Lowman
Tech	Paul Drasil
Vestry on Duty	Judi Dod
Altar Guild	Team B
Coffee Hour	Judi & David Dod
Counters	Chuck & Kathy Barton

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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