



**St Mark's**  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

**love is our tradition**

**The Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost  
August 11, 2024 Rite 2 Year B**

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Thank you for joining us in worship.  
We are glad you are here.

Please let us know what questions you might have  
And if you would like to be on our mailing list.

**We Love  
God**

St. Mark's is a community of people who believe in the power of God's love as expressed through God's son, Jesus Christ.

**We Love  
Each Other**

Our love for God compels us to love and welcome others with open arms regardless of age, ethnicity, sexual orientation, or social status.

**We Love  
Our Community**

Our love for God compels us to serve our community by being active in service to those in need.

**We Love  
Our Faith**

We celebrate our God, for each other and for our community through Episcopal worship that keeps us grounded in our faith.

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At Pentecost, God's promised Spirit enters into the church and empowers it to know and do God's will. Now the people of faith can be a sign and witness to what God has done in Christ, namely, established God's reign of justice and peace. On this holy day we are made aware of our vocation to be a community of faith in which God's reconciling power is made present, conscious and active in our lives, that we might be the body of Christ, God's reconciling presence in the world to the end that all people are restored to unity with God and each other in Christ.

— John Westerhoff

### **Basic Liturgics**

**Liturgy:** "Liturgy" comes from the Greek word *leitourgia*, which literally means "work of the people." It was used to refer to a public work done at private expense and could be used to classify projects like a privately-financed bridge that was being built for the use of a whole town. The public libraries built by Andrew Carnegie could also be considered a *leitourgia*. In church usage, **liturgy** is the act of worship that we do on behalf of ourselves, the wider Church, and the world.

**Eucharist:** The word Eucharist comes from the Greek word *eucharistia*, which means "thanksgiving." For this reason the Prayer Book also calls the Eucharistic Prayer by the label "The Great Thanksgiving." The service of Holy Communion is our great act of thanksgiving to God.

### **The Structure of the Eucharistic Liturgy:**

The Eucharistic Liturgy is divided into two main parts:

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| (1) The Liturgy of the Word        | (2) The Holy Communion or The Liturgy of the Table |
| - The Gathering Rite               | - The Offertory                                    |
| - The Lessons & Sermon             | - The Eucharistic Prayer                           |
| - The Creed                        | - The Lord's Prayer                                |
| - The Intercessions and Confession | - The Fraction or The Breaking of the Bread        |
| - The Peace                        | - Holy Communion                                   |
|                                    | - The Post-Communion Prayer                        |
|                                    | - Blessing and Dismissal                           |

### **Terms for Those Who Help With Worship:**

*Celebrant, Presider, Officiant:* A priest, bishop, or deacon who presides at the liturgy.

*Deacon:* A person ordained to the diaconate can help with reading the gospel, leading the Prayers of the People, leading the Confession, setting the Altar at Offertory, distributing Communion, cleaning up after Communion, or the Dismissal.

*Crucifer:* Someone who carries the processional cross.

*Acolyte:* Literally this means "torch-bearer."

*Lay Eucharistic Ministers:* Lay people who have been authorized by the Bishop and the Rector to help distribute Communion, usually by being *chalice-bearers*.

*Book-bearer:* The person who carries the Gospel Book in procession and holds it during the Gospel Reading.

*Preacher:* A person who gives a sermon or homily.

*Lector:* A person who reads a lesson from the Bible.

*Intercessor:* A person who leads the Prayers of the People.

*Oblation-bearers:* Those who bring up the gifts of bread and wine at Offertory.

*Ushers:* Those who help people find their seat and the bulletin, who collect the offering and present it, and who help direct people during Communion.

*Greeters:* Those who, after the Dismissal, welcome new people and invite them to coffee and social time.

*Altar Guild:* The team of people who help prepare the Altar area and are responsible for cleaning the vessels and linens.

*Floral Guild:* Those who create the floral arrangements for worship.

## Preparing for Worship

In today's hectic world, it is good to have time for silence. Take time to sit quietly and open yourself through silent prayer, meditation, or reading over the bulletin.

# Holy Baptism with Holy Communion The Word of God or The Liturgy of the Word

Prelude

*Four pieces (from Cent Pièces brèves nouvelles)*

Eugène Gigout

## A Word of Welcome

*(Please stand as you are able)*

Hymn 517 (Blue Book)

*How lovely is thy dwelling place*

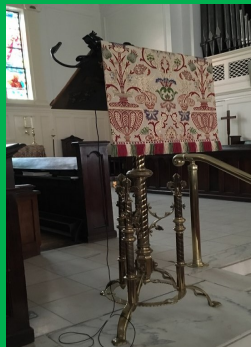
*Brother James's Air*

1 How love - ly is thy dwell - ing - place, O Lord of hosts, to  
2 Be - side thine al - tars, gra - cious Lord, the swal - lows find a  
3 They who go through the des - ert vale will find it filled with  
4 One day with - in thy courts ex - cels a thou-sand spent a -

me! My thirst - y soul de - sires and longs with -  
nest; how hap - py they who dwell with thee and  
springs, and they shall climb from height to height till  
way; how hap - py they who keep thy laws nor

in thy courts to be; my ve - ry heart and  
praise thee with - out rest, and hap - py they whose  
Zi - on's tem - ple rings with praise to thee, in  
from thy pre - cepts stray, for thou shalt sure - ly

flesh cry out, O liv - ing God, for thee.  
hearts are set up - on the pil - grim's quest.  
glo - ry throned, Lord God, great King of kings.  
bless all those who live the words they pray.



## The Lectern

The lectern is the stand from which the Hebrew Scripture (First or Old Testament), the Psalm, and the Epistle (New or Second Testament) are read. It is a visible expression of the significance of Holy Scripture to the life of the church. In colonial churches, the lectern was often incorporated as the middle level of a multi-tiered pulpit.

### Opening Acclamation

*Presider:* Blessed be God.

***All:* And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. AMEN.**

*Presider:* There is one Body and one Spirit;

***All:* There is one hope in God's call to us;**

*Presider:* One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

***All:* One God and Father of all.**

### The Collect of the Day

*Presider:* The Lord be with you.

***All:* And also with you.**

*Presider:* Let us pray.

*Presider:* Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

*(Please be seated)*



## The Lessons

### A Reading from the Second Book of Samuel

2 Samuel 18:5-9, 15, 31-33

Elam Jarrells

The king, David, ordered Joab and Abishai and Ittai, saying, “Deal gently for my sake with the young man Absalom.” And all the people heard when the king gave orders to all the commanders concerning Absalom. So the army went out into the field against Israel; and the battle was fought in the forest of Ephraim. The men of Israel were defeated there by the servants of David, and the slaughter there was great on that day, twenty thousand men. The battle spread over the face of all the country; and the forest claimed more victims that day than the sword. Absalom happened to meet the servants of David.

Absalom was riding on his mule, and the mule went under the thick branches of a great oak. His head caught fast in the oak, and he was left hanging between heaven and earth, while the mule that was under him went on. And ten young men, Joab’s armor-bearers, surrounded Absalom and struck him, and killed him.

Then the Cushite came; and the Cushite said, “Good tidings for my lord the king! For the Lord has vindicated you this day, delivering you from the power of all who rose up against you.” The king said to the Cushite, “Is it well with the young man Absalom?” The Cushite answered, “May the enemies of my lord the king, and all who rise up to do you harm, be like that young man.”

The king was deeply moved, and went up to the chamber over the gate, and wept; and as he went, he said, “O my son Absalom, my son, my son Absalom! Would I had died instead of you, O Absalom, my son, my son!”

Hear what the spirit is saying to God’s people.

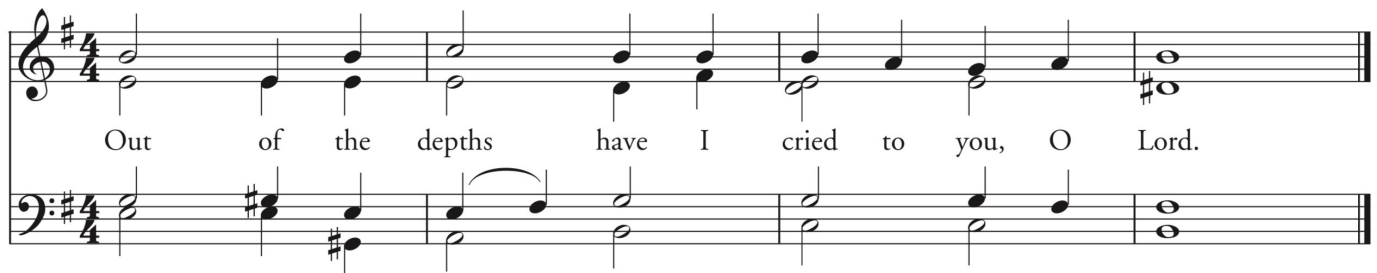
**All: Thanks be to God.**

### Psalm 130

*De profundis*

Cantor: Out of the depths have I cried to you Lord.

**Cantor and Congregation:**



Cantor:

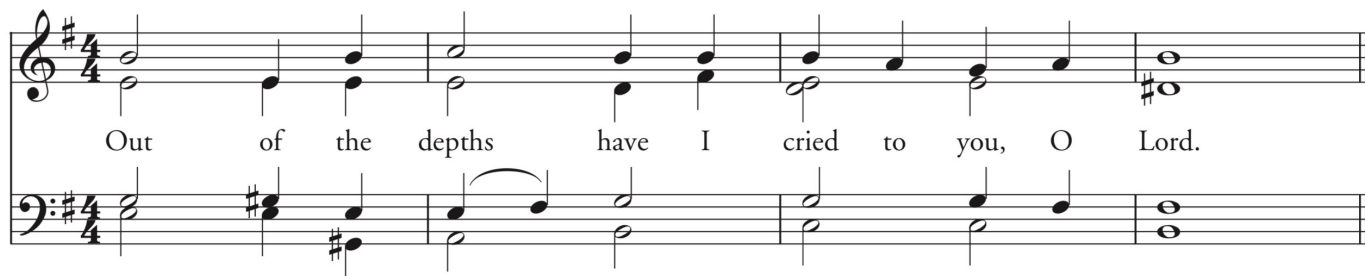
1 Out of the depths have I called to you, O Lord; Lord, hear my voice; \*  
let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.

2 If you, Lord, were to note what is done amiss, \*  
O Lord, who could stand?

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3 For there is forgiveness with you; \*  
therefore you shall be feared.

**Cantor and Congregation:**



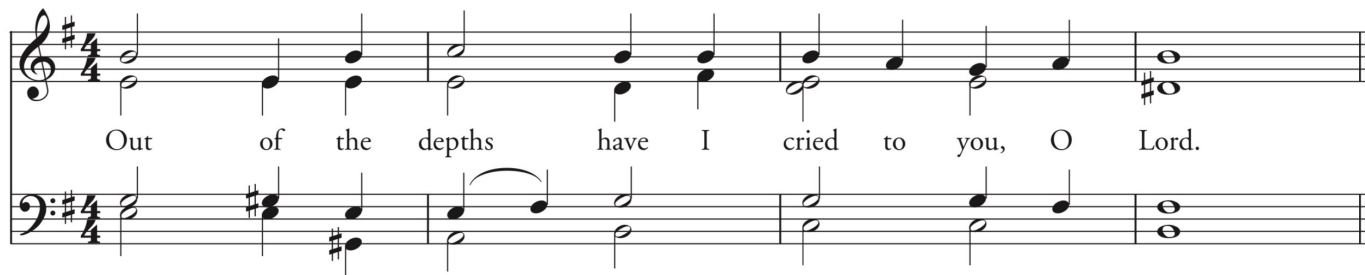
4 I wait for the Lord; my soul waits for him; \*  
in his word is my hope.

5 My soul waits for the Lord, more than watchmen for the morning, \*  
more than watchmen for the morning.

6 O Israel, wait for the Lord, \*  
for with the Lord there is mercy;

7 With him there is plenteous redemption, \*  
and he shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

**Cantor and Congregation:**



**A Reading from the Letter to the Ephesians**

*Ephesians 4:25-5:2*

Cameron Cutro

Putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbors, for we are members of one another. Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and do not make room for the devil. Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labor and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

Hear what the spirit is saying to God's people.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

(Please stand as you are able)

**Hymn 73** (*Voices Found*)

*Break thou the bread of life*

1 Break thou the bread of life, dear Lord, to me,  
2 Bless thou the truth, dear Lord, to me, to me,  
3 Teach me to live, dear Lord, on - ly for thee,

as thou didst break the loaves be - side the sea;  
as thou didst bless the bread by Gal - i - lee;  
as thy dis - ci - ples lived in Gal - i - lee;

be - yond the sa - cred page I seek thee, Lord;  
then shall all bond-age cease, all fet - ters fall,  
then, all my strug - gles o'er, then, vic - t'ry won,

my spi - rit pants for thee, O liv - ing word!  
and I shall find my peace, my all in all.  
I shall be - hold thee, Lord, the liv - ing one.



## The Pulpit

The pulpit is reserved for the sermon suggesting the important role of reflecting on scripture. The canopy is designed to reflect sound and comes from the time when that was the means of amplification to the congregation.

## The Gospel

*John 6:35, 41-51*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to John  
**All: Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." They were saying, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, 'I have come down from heaven?'" Jesus answered them, "Do not complain among yourselves. No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

The Gospel of the Lord.  
**All: Praise to you Lord Christ.**

*(Please be seated)*

## The Sermon

Karen Hardison, Worship Team Chair



## The Baptismal Font

Through the sacrament of baptism we become members of Christ's family – the church. The presence of the baptismal font in the church is a reminder of our own baptism and the commitments that we made or that were made on our behalf.

*(Please remain seated)*

# Holy Baptism

## Presentation and Examination of the Candidate

*Presider:* The Candidates for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

*The candidates who are able to speak for themselves are presented by their sponsor, as follows*

*Sponsor:* I present Miles Gabriel Tucker to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

*Presider:* Do you desire to be baptized?

*Candidate:* I do.

*The candidates unable to answer on their own are presented by their Parents and Godparents, as follows*

*Parents and Godparents:* I present Silas Augustine Tucker to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

*Presider:* Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

*Parents and Godparents:* I will, with God's help.

*Presider:* Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

*Parents and Godparents:* I will, with God's help.

*Then the Presider asks the following questions of the candidates and those who speak on their behalf*

*Presider:* Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

*Candidate:* I renounce them.

*Presider:* Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

*Candidate:* I renounce them.

*Presider:* Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

*Candidate:* I renounce them.

*Presider:* Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

*Candidate:* I do.

*Presider:* Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

*Candidate:* I do.

*Presider:* Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

*Candidate:* I do.

*The Presider addresses the congregation, saying*

*Presider:* Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support Miles and Silas  
in their life in Christ?

***Congregation:* We will.**

*Presider:* Let us join with Miles and Silas who are committing themselves to Christ and renew  
our own baptismal covenant.

*(Please stand as you are able)*

## **The Baptismal Covenant**

*Presider:* Do you believe in God the Father?

***All:* I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

*Presider:* Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

***All:* I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.**

**He descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

*Presider:* Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

***All:* I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.**

*Presider:* Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

***All:* I will, with God's help.**

*Presider:* Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

***All:* I will, with God's help.**

*Presider:* Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

***All:* I will, with God's help.**

*Presider:* Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

***All:* I will, with God's help.**

*Presider:* Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

***All:* I will, with God's help.**

## **Prayers for the Candidates**

Kent Slonaker

*Presider:* Let us now pray for Miles and Silas who are to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

*Intercessor:* Deliver them, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

***All:* Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor:* Open their hearts to your grace and truth.

***All:* Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor:* Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

***All:* Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor:* Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

***All:* Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor:* Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.

***All:* Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor:* Send them into the world in witness to your love.

***All:* Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor:* Bring them, to the fullness of your peace and glory.

***All:* Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Presider:* Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever. **AMEN.**

*(Please be seated)*

## **Thanksgiving Over the Water**

*The Presider blesses the water, saying*

*Presider:* The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

*Presider:* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All: It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

*Presider:* We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

*At the following words, the Presider touches the water*

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

## **The Baptism**

*The candidate is presented by name to the Presider, or to an assisting priest or deacon, who then immerses, or pours water upon, the candidate, saying*

*Presider:* Miles Gabriel, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **AMEN.**

*Then the Priest places a hand on the person's head, marking on the forehead the sign of the cross [using Chrism if desired] and saying*

Miles Gabriel, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. **AMEN.**

*Presider:* Silas Augustine, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **AMEN.**

*Then the Priest places a hand on the person's head, marking on the forehead the sign of the cross [using Chrism if desired] and saying*

Silas Augustine, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. **AMEN.**



*Presider:* Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon these your servants the forgiveness of sin, and have raised them to the new life of grace. Sustain them, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give them an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **AMEN.**

*Presider:* Let us welcome the newly baptized.

**All:** We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

### **Sprinkling of Congregation** *(a reminder of our own baptism)*

**Hymn 296** (Blue Book)

*We know that Christ is raised*

*Engelberg*

1 We know that Christ is raised and dies no more. \_\_\_\_\_  
2 We share by wa - ter in his sav - ing death. \_\_\_\_\_  
3 The Fa - ther's splen - dor clothes the Son with life. \_\_\_\_\_  
4 A new cre - a - tion comes to life and grows \_\_\_\_\_

Em - braced by death he broke its fear - ful hold; \_\_\_\_\_  
Re - born we share with him an Eas - ter life \_\_\_\_\_  
The Spi - rit's pow - er shakes the Church of God. \_\_\_\_\_  
as Christ's new bo - dy takes on flesh and blood. \_\_\_\_\_

and our de - spair he turned to blaz - ing joy. \_\_\_\_\_  
as liv - ing mem - bers of a liv - ing Christ. \_\_\_\_\_  
Bap - tized we live with God the Three in One. \_\_\_\_\_ Al - le -  
The u - ni - verse re - stored and whole will sing: \_\_\_\_\_

**Final Ending**

lu - ia! \_\_\_\_\_ Al - le - lu - ia! A - men.

### **The Peace**

*Presider:* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**All:** And also with you.

*(Please stand as you are able. All greet one another in the name of the Lord.)*

*(Please be seated)*

### **Announcements and News of the Church Community**



## The Altar or Holy Table

The altar is a table, usually in the sanctuary which is the space that is generally behind the altar rail, on which the bread and wine used for the eucharist (or Holy Communion or the Lord's Supper) service are consecrated.

# The Holy Communion or The Liturgy of the Table



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### Invitation to Holy Communion

*(Remain seated)*

### Summer Hymn Series

Each week for our Offertory Hymn, we will be revisiting and singing together new-to-us hymns and dusted-off favorites which have featured in our worship over the past year. More information about each weekly selection is printed at the end of the bulletin.

**Offertory, Hymn 775** (*Wonder, Love & Praise*)

*Give thanks for life*

*Sine nomine*

1. Give thanks for life, the meas - ure of our days,  
 2. Give thanks for those who made their life a light  
 3. And for our own, our liv - ing and our dead,  
 4. Give thanks for hope, that like the wheat, the grain

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## The Communion Vessels

The Eucharist (from the Greek meaning Thanksgiving), or Holy Communion, is a sacrament at the center of Episcopal worship. A sacrament is “an outward and visible sign of an inward and spiritual grace” in the words of *The Book of Common Prayer*. The vessels used are a chalice for wine, a paten for bread (or “host”), and a flagon for additional wine. They are placed on a square white linen cloth called the corporal.

Offertory, Hymn 775 (*Wonder, Love & Praise*)

*Give thanks for life*

*Sine nomine*

mor - tal, we pass through beau - ty that de - cays, yet  
 caught from the Christ flame burst - ing through the night, who  
 thanks for the love by which our life is fed, a  
 ly - ing in dark - ness does its life re - tain, in

sing to God our hope, our love, our praise,  
 touched the truth, who burned for what is right, Al -  
 love not changed by time or death or dread,  
 res - ur - rec - tion to grow green a - gain.

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

*(Please stand as you are able)*

## At The Presentation, Doxology

*Old Hundredth*

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

*(Please stand as you are able)*

## The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer 3 *(from Enriching Our Worship Volume One)*

*Presider:* The Lord be with you.

*All:* And also with you.

*Presider:* Lift up your hearts.

*All:* We lift them to the Lord.

*Presider:* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

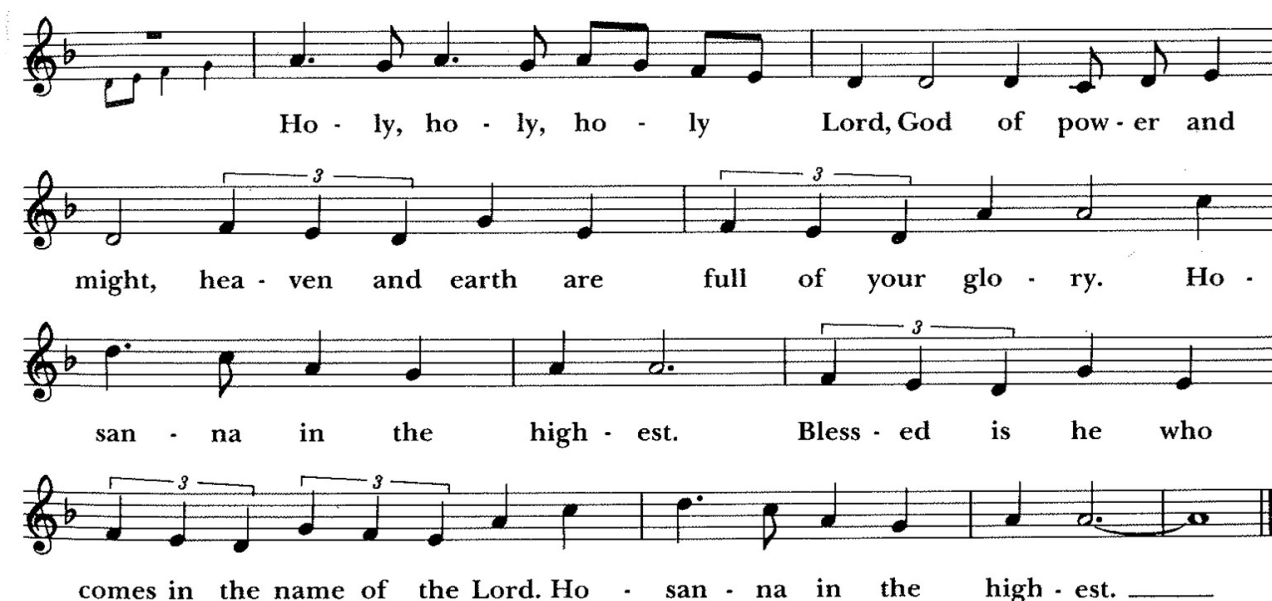
*All:* It is right to give God thanks and praise.

*Presider:* 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 with joy:

## Sanctus

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. \_\_\_\_\_

*(Please stand or kneel as you are able)*

*Presider:* 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 it 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:

***All:* Dying, you destroyed our death. Rising, you restored our life. Christ Jesus, come in glory!**

*Presider:* 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 blessed St. Mark and 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.

***All:* Blessed are you now and for ever. AMEN.**

## The Lord's Prayer

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

*All:* 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,  
forever and ever. AMEN.

## The Breaking of the Bread

*Presider:* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us,

*All:* Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

## Fraction Anthem, Agnus Dei

Powell

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.

*Presider:* The Gifts of God for the People of God.

**The Holy Communion:** *ALL are welcome to share in Communion.*

### **Holy Communion**

Come forward as the ushers direct you. When you arrive at the rail you may put out your hands to receive the bread/wafer. You may then either consume it, dip it lightly into the chalice, or take a sip of wine from the chalice. If you prefer a blessing only - cross your arms across your chest.

If you have any mobility concerns please alert the usher  
and the clergy will bring communion to you.

**Communion**

*Caro cibus (Lauda Sion, Op. 73)*

Felix Mendelssohn

Translation from the Latin:

His flesh is food, his blood is drink,

Yet the whole Christ remains

Beneath either species.

By the one who receives him, he is not cut to pieces,

Not broken down, not divided;

He is received wholly.

### **Post Communion Prayer**

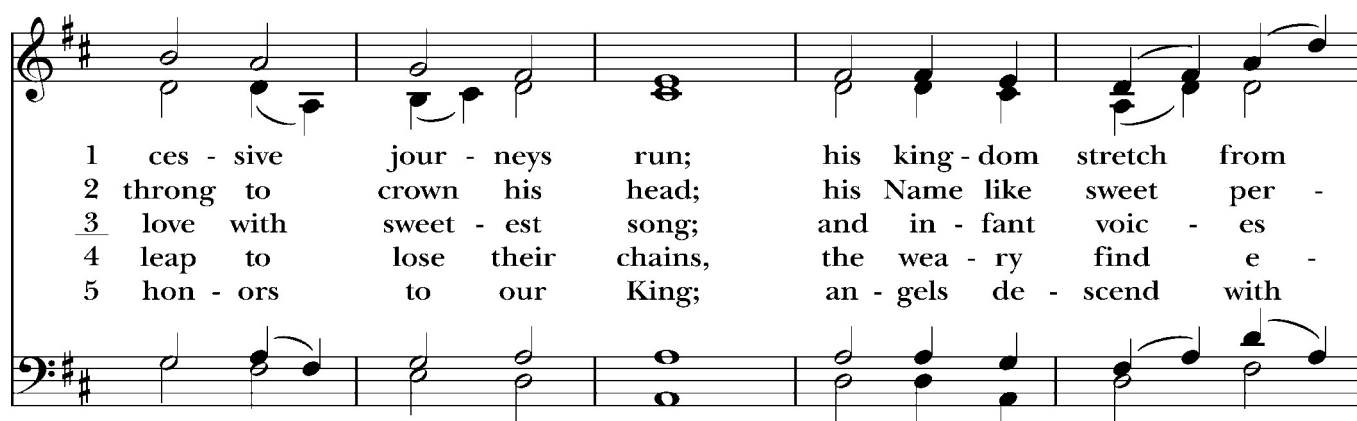
*Presider:* Let us pray.

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

### **The Blessing**



1 Je - sus shall reign wher - e'er the sun doth his suc -  
 2 To him shall end - less prayer be made, and prais - es  
 3 Peo - ple and realms of ev - ery tongue dwell on his  
 4 Bless - ings a - bound wher - e'er he reigns: the pris - oners  
 5 Let ev - ery crea - ture rise and bring pe - cu - liar



1 ces - sive jour - neys run; his king - dom stretch from  
 2 throng to crown his head; his Name like sweet per -  
 3 love with sweet - est song; and in - fant voic - es  
 4 leap to lose their chains, the wea - ry find e -  
 5 hon - ors to our King; an - gels de - scend with



1 shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.  
 2 fume shall rise with ev - ery morn - ing sac - ri - fice.  
 3 shall pro - claim their ear - ly bless - ings on his Name.  
 4 ter - nal rest, and all who suf - fer want are blest.  
 5 songs a - gain, and earth re - peat the loud a - men.

**The Dismissal**

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

**All:** Thanks be to God.

**Postlude**

*Prelude in Classic Style*

Gordon Young





## The Ambry

The ambry is a cupboard located in the St. Mary Chapel which is at the right of the narthex (front entry of the church). It is used for reserving the consecrated hosts for communion in home or hospital visits for those who cannot attend Sunday worship and, in some Anglican Churches, to store the oil of chrism used for anointing. A light burns near it to indicate that it contains the sacrament.

**Summer Hymn Series Selection:** A note from Amos: I enjoy singing hymns which pair a newly-written poem with an old-familiar tune. As a practical matter, it allows congregations to explore something new in a way that lets everyone participate; everyone already knows the song. As a literary matter, I find that my mind always places the new text in dialogue with the old text, often illuminating and deepening both poems, each in the context of the other.

That is the case with “Give thanks for life.” It is sung to the tune of “For all the saints,” and is also a saints-hymn, with the interesting change that “For all the saints” hymns the resurrected saints who have gone before (the Church Triumphant, to use a Theological term), while “Give thanks for life” addresses Christians living here today on earth and endeavoring to live Godly lives (the Church Militant, the corresponding Theological term). I would encourage you at some point this week to read through the two poems side-by-side; for now, here is the first stanza of each hymn for your consideration:

*For all the saints who from their labors rest, who Thee, by faith, before the world confessed, Thy name, O Jesus, be forever blessed. Alleluia! Alleluia!*

*Give thanks for life, the measure of our days; mortal, we pass through beauty that decays, yet sing to God our love, our hope, our praise. Alleluia! Alleluia!*

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Those celebrating birthdays: especially Frank von Richter, William Francis, Garnett Pucket, Karen Franklin, and Brett Kats.

Those celebrating anniversaries: especially LuAnne and Bryan Douglas.

Those who have died:

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Pray for Students, Faculty, and Administrators at Diocesan Church Schools: Christchurch, St. Catherine's, St. Christopher's, St. Margaret's, St. Stephen's & St. Agnes, Stuart Hall.

Metro Richmond Cycle of Prayer: We pray for the workplaces and businesses of Metropolitan Richmond: For financial institutions, sustainable and just investment policies, and effective development efforts to benefit the entire community.

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You may also speak to any clergy or greeters following the worship service.

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