

Twentieth Sunday after PENTECOST



October 11, 2026
Holy Eucharist
Proper 22



WELCOME

Christ Church Cathedral Land Acknowledgement

Christ Church Cathedral of the Episcopal Diocese of Kentucky gathers and stands on land which has been home, for over 11,000 years, to primarily Shawnee, Cherokee, Osage, Haudenosaunee Seneca, Hopewell and Adena peoples.

Today we acknowledge the role our Church has played in colonialism's devastating legacy of death, stolen lands, dehumanizing removals, and forced assimilation of native people.

We repent of our complicity in perpetuating the dominance of white European culture, even to the present day.

We seek forgiveness.

We honor the original peoples of this land and the presence of native people still living in Kentucky.

We honor with respect their Elders, past, present, and future, their traditions, and the land itself.

- *Nave services may be livestreamed for our online congregation. Cameras focus primarily on vested ministers, but others in the cathedral may also be visible in live or archived video.*

Prelude Op. 55, No. 8

Flor Peeters

- *at the sound of the bells, all stand*

Hymn 481 Rejoice, the Lord is King!

1 Re - joice, the Lord is King! Your Lord and King a - dore! Mor -
2 The Lord the Sa - vior reigns, the God of truth and love: when
3 His king-dom can - not fail; he rules o'er earth and heaven; the
4 Re - joice in glo - rious hope! Our Lord the Judge shall come, and
Refrain
tals, give thanks and sing, and tri - umph ev - er - more.
he had purged our stains, he took his seat a - bove. Lift
keys of death and hell to Christ the Lord are given.
take his ser - vants up to their e - ter - nal home.
1-3
up your heart! lift up your voice! Re-joice! a - gain I say, re -

Final Ending

joyce! up your heart! lift up your voice! Re - joice! a -
gain I say, re - joice!

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788), alt.

Music: *Gopsal*, George Frideric Handel (1685-1759); arr. John Wilson (b. 1905)

66. 66 with Refrain

Opening Acclamation

celebrant

Bless-ed be God: most holy, glorious, and undi-vi-ded Tri-ni-ty.

people

And blessed be God's reign, now and for ev - er. A - men.

Collect for Purity

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 • Canticle 13: S 236

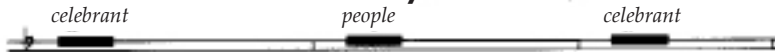
1. Glo - ry to you, _____ Lord
God of our fa - thers; _____ you are wor - thy of praise;
glo - ry to you. _____ 2. Glo - ry to you _____
_____ for the ra - di - ance of your ho - ly Name; _____ we will
praise you and high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er. _____
3. Glo - ry to you _____ in the splen - dor of your

tem - ple; on the throne of your ma - jes - ty, glo - ry to
 you. 4. Glo - ry to you, seat - ed be -
 tween the Cher - u - bim; we will praise you and
 high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er. *Descant*
 5. Glo - ry to you, be -
 5. Glo - ry to you, be - hold - ing the
 hold - ing the depths; in the high vault of
 depths; in the high vault of hea - ven, glo - ry to
 hea - ven, 6. Glo - ry to you,
 you. 6. Glo - ry to you, Fa - ther,
 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit; we will
 Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit; we will praise you and
 high - ly ex - alt you. Glo - ry to you!
 high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er.

Setting: John Rutter (b. 1945)

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Collect for the Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost



God be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen

- *all be seated*

First Reading Exodus 32:1-14

When the people saw that Moses delayed to come down from the mountain, the people gathered around Aaron, and said to him, "Come, make gods for us, who shall go before us; as for this Moses, the man who brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him." Aaron said to them, "Take off the gold rings that are on the ears of your wives, your sons, and your daughters, and bring them to me." So all the people took off the gold rings from their ears, and brought them to Aaron. He took the gold from them, formed it in a mold, and cast an image of a calf; and they said, "These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!" When Aaron saw this, he built an altar before it; and Aaron made proclamation and said, "Tomorrow shall be a festival to the Lord." They rose early the next day, and offered burnt offerings and brought sacrifices of well-being; and the people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to revel.

The Lord said to Moses, "Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf, and have

worshiped it and sacrificed to it, and said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!'" The Lord said to Moses, "I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them; and of you I will make a great nation."

But Moses implored the Lord his God, and said, "O Lord, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? Why should the Egyptians say, 'It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth'? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, 'I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever.'" And the Lord changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

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

Thanks be to God.

Hallelujah!

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, *
for his mercy endures for ever.

Who can declare the mighty acts of the Lord *
or show forth all his praise?

Happy are those who act with justice *
and always do what is right!

Remember me, O Lord, with the favor you have for your people, *
and visit me with your saving help;

That I may see the prosperity of your elect and be glad with the gladness of your people, *
that I may glory with your inheritance.

We have sinned as our forebears did; *
we have done wrong and dealt wickedly.

Israel made a bull-calf at Horeb *
and worshiped a molten image;

And so they exchanged their Glory *
for the image of an ox that feeds on grass.

They forgot God their Savior, *
who had done great things in Egypt,

Wonderful deeds in the land of Ham, *
and fearful things at the Red Sea.

So he would have destroyed them, had not Moses his chosen stood before him in the breach, *
to turn away his wrath from consuming them.

Second Reading Philippians 4:1-9

My brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life.

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer

and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

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Hymn 684 *O for a closer walk with God*

1 O for a clos - er walk with God, a calm and heaven - ly frame,
2 Where is the bless - ed - ness I knew when first I saw the Lord?
3 Re - turn, O ho - ly Dove, re - turn, sweet mes - sen - ger of rest;
4 The dear - est i - dol I have known, what - e'er that i - dol be,
5 So shall my walk be close with God, calm and se - rene my frame;

1 a light to shine up - on the road that leads me to the Lamb!
2 Where is the soul - re - fresh - ing view of Je - sus and his word?
3 I hate the sins that made thee mourn, and drove thee from my breast.
4 help me to tear it from thy throne, and wor - ship on - ly thee.
5 so pur - er light shall mark the road that leads me to the lamb.

Words: William Cowper (1731-1800), alt.

Music: *Caithness*, from *The Psalmes of David in Prose and Meeter*, 1635; harm. *The English Hymnal*, 1906

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Gospel Matthew 22:1-14

The Holy Gospel of our Savior, Jesus Christ, according to Matthew.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Once more Jesus spoke to the people in parables, saying: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, 'Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.' But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves,

The Gospel of our Savior.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

"The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.' Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

"But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?' And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' For many are called, but few are chosen."

Sermon The Very Rev. Matthew Bradley

Nicene 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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and 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 • Adapted from the Church of England's *Common Worship*

- *the deacon says*

In the power of the Spirit and in union with Christ, let us pray to the Father, saying "Hear our prayer."

- *the intercessor says*

We pray for the good estate of the catholic Church; guide and govern us by your good Spirit, that all who profess and call themselves Christians may be led into the way of truth, and hold the faith in unity of spirit, in the bond of peace and in righteousness of life, especially Sarah, Archbishop of Canterbury, Sean, our Presiding Bishop, Terry, our Bishop; and for all other ministers.

In the power of the Spirit

Hear our prayer.

Bless and guide President Trump; give wisdom to all in authority; And direct this and every nation in the ways of justice and of peace; That we may honor one another, and seek the common good.

In the power of the Spirit

Hear our prayer.

O God, the creator and preserver of all, we pray for people in every kind of need; make your ways known on earth, your saving health among all nations.

In the power of the Spirit

Hear our prayer.

We give you thanks for all the blessings of this life, especially for the birthday of Bryan Platt.

In the power of the Spirit

Hear our prayer.

We commend to your fatherly goodness all those who are any ways afflicted or distressed, in mind, body or estate; comfort and relieve them in their need, give them patience in their sufferings, and bring good out of all their afflictions, especially Murphey Coy, Rich Curry, Judy Donahue, Kitten Lawless, George Hubbard, Ginger Shackleton, Jim Watkins, Dean Weller, Colleen Wilson, and Ruth Wukasch

In the power of the Spirit,

Hear our prayer.

We remember those who have gone before us in the peace of Christ, and we give you praise for all your faithful ones, with whom we rejoice in the communion of saints ...

- *the people may add their own petitions*

In the power of the Spirit,

Hear our prayer.

- *the celebrant adds a concluding collect*

Hasten, O God, the day when people will come from east and west, from north and south, and sit at the table in your kingdom and we shall see your Christ in glory. Merciful God, accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ.

Amen.

Confession • *bidden by the deacon*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

• *said by all*

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 our Savior 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.

Absolution • *declared by the celebrant*

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.

The Peace • *all greet one another in the name of the Lord*

The peace of Christ be always with you.

And also with you.

Announcements

Birthday Prayer • *said by all*

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Anniversary Prayer • *said by all*

O gracious and everling God, look mercifully on your servants, who celebrate the anniversary of their marriage. Grant them your blessing, and assist them with your grace, that with true fidelity and steadfast love they may honor and keep their promises and vows; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen

LITURGY OF THE ALTAR



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Offertory Anthem *Lord for thy tender mercy's sake*

Richard Farrant

Lord, for thy tender mercy's sake, lay not our sins to our charge, but forgive that is past, and give us grace to amend our sinful lives: to decline from sin and incline to virtue, that we may walk in a perfect heart before thee now and evermore. Amen

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer A • Expansive Language

celebrant people

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

celebrant Lift up your hearts.

people 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.

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

For you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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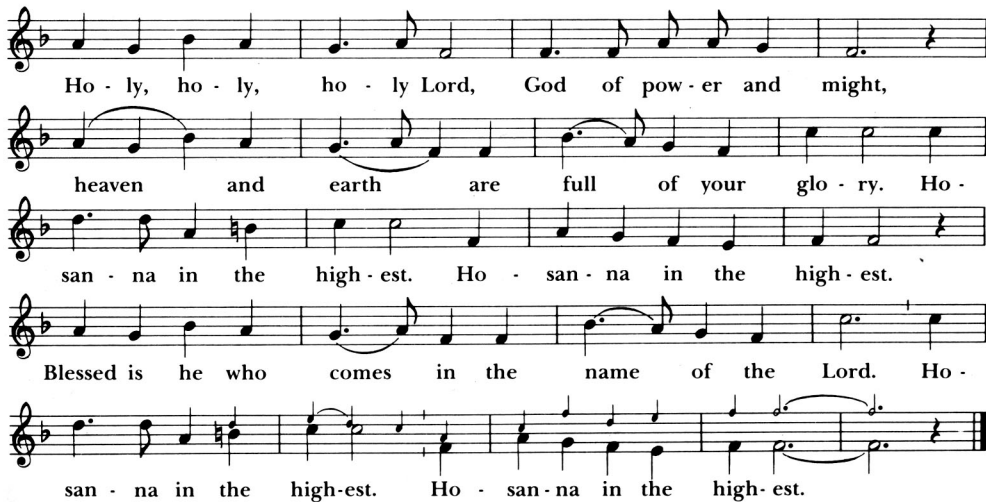
Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

OR

For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world.

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:

Sanctus S 125



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Setting: From *A Community Mass*; Richard Proulx (b. 1937)

Holy and gracious God: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and maker of all.

Jesus stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Savior 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 Jesus 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

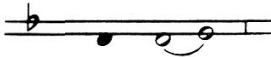
Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, Almighty God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ's death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in Christ. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through Jesus Christ our Savior. By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever.

The Great Amen



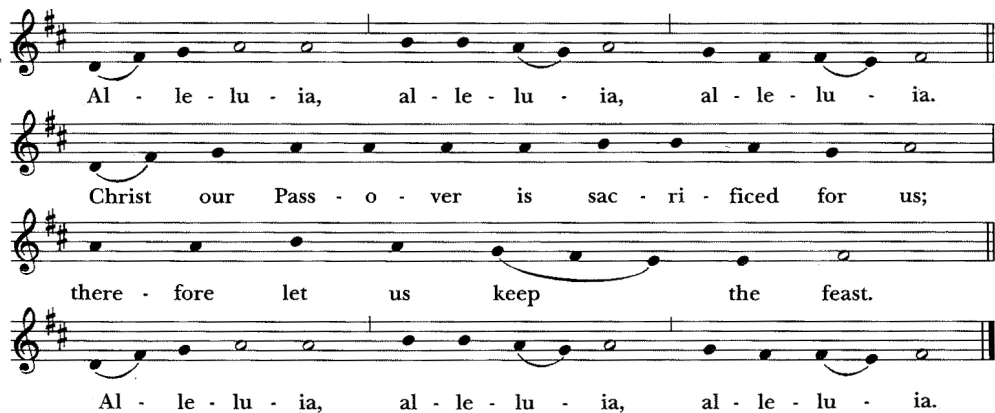
A - men.

The Lord's Prayer • contemporary version

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 for ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Fraction Anthem • S 154



Setting: From *New Plainsong*; David Hurd (b. 1950)

Invitation to Communion

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.

- *any baptized person from any Christian tradition who wishes to encounter the Real Presence of the Risen Christ in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood is welcome to receive Holy Communion. If you wish to learn more about the Sacrament of Holy Baptism, please speak with a priest or deacon following the liturgy.*
- *gluten free wafers are available; as you prepare to receive bread indicate your preference to the priest*
- *if you would like to receive a blessing instead of Communion, please indicate this by crossing your arms over your chest*

An Act of Spiritual Communion • *for those attending virtually*

Jesus, my Savior, I ask you to come into my heart and fill me with your love. Although I cannot physically join with others to celebrate the Eucharist today, I desire to offer my thanksgivings and prayers in union with all who worship you, wherever they may be. And although I cannot receive you now sacramentally in the bread and wine of Holy Communion, still I desire to receive your body and blood spiritually and feed on your love, that I may be united with you and with all your people in one communion and fellowship, your mystical body the church, now and ever more. Amen.

Laying on of Hands and Anointing for Healing

- *priests will be stationed in the narthex (lobby) during the distribution of communion to offer Laying on of Hands for Healing, with the option of anointing with holy oil*
- *when a person receives this sacramental rite, the priest will lay their hands upon them and say one of the following*

N., I lay my hands upon you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, beseeching our Lord Jesus Christ to sustain you with his presence, to drive away all sickness of body and spirit, and to give you that victory of life and peace which will enable you to serve him both now and evermore. Amen.

- *or this*

N., I lay my hands upon you in the Name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, beseeching him to uphold you and fill you with his grace, that you may know the healing power of his love. Amen.

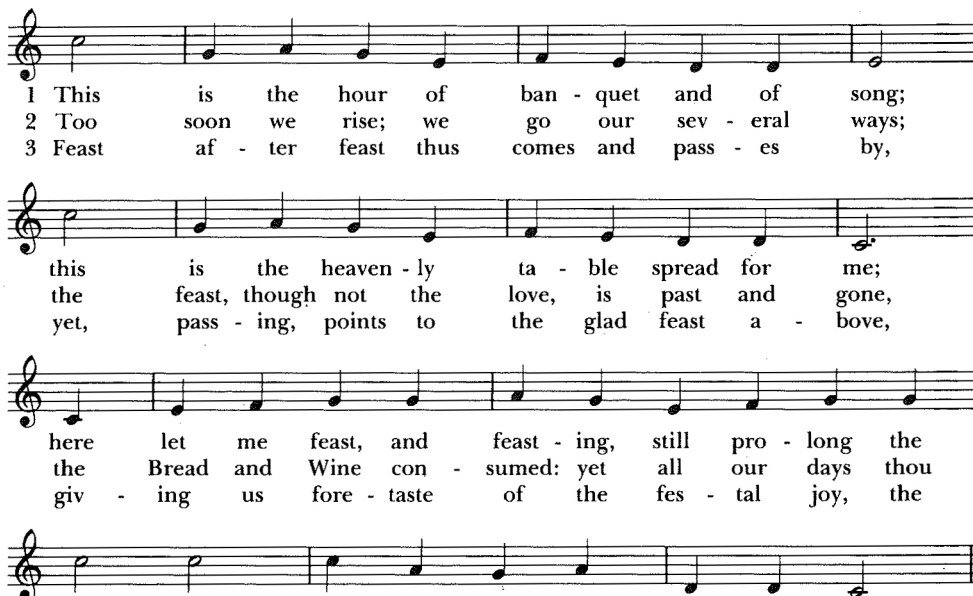
- *if the person is to be anointed, the Priest dips a thumb in the holy oil, and makes the sign of the cross on the sick person's forehead, saying*

N., I anoint you with oil in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

- *the priest may add*

As you are outwardly anointed with this holy oil, so may our heavenly Father grant you the inward anointing of the Holy Spirit. Of his great mercy, may he forgive you your sins, release you from suffering, and restore you to wholeness and strength. May he deliver you from all evil, preserve you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hymn 316 *This is the hour of banquet and of song*



1 This is the hour of ban - quet and of song;
 2 Too soon we rise; we go our sev - eral ways;
 3 Feast af - ter feast thus comes and pass - es by,

this is the heaven - ly ta - ble spread for me;
 the feast, though not the love, is past and gone,
 yet, pass - ing, points to the glad feast a - bove,

here let me feast, and feast - ing, still pro - long the
 the Bread and Wine con - sumed: yet all our days thou
 giv - ing us fore - taste of the fes - tal joy, the

brief, bright hour of fel - low - ship with thee.
 still art here with us— our Shield and Sun.
 Lamb's great mar - riage feast of bliss and love.

Words: Horatius Bonar (1808-1889), alt.

Music: *Canticum refectionis*, David McKinley Williams (1887-1978)

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Sending forth of Eucharistic Visitors

- *deacon*

In the name of this congregation we send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the Body and Blood of Christ.

- *people*

We are all one Body, for we all share one bread, one cup. Amen.

- *all stand; said by all*

Prayer after Communion

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 peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with among, and remain with you always.

Amen.

Hymn 345 *Savior, again to thy dear Name we raise*

1 Sa - vior, a - gain to thy dear Name we raise
 *2 Grant us thy peace up - on our home - ward way;
 3 Grant us thy peace through - out our earth - ly life;
 4 thy peace in life, the balm of ev - ery pain;

with one ac - cord our part - ing hymn of praise;
 with thee be - gan, with thee shall end the day;
 peace to thy Church from er - ror and from strife;
 thy peace in death, the hope to rise a - gain;

guard thou the lips from sin, the hearts from shame,
 from harm and dan - ger keep thy chil - dren free,
 peace to our land, the fruit of truth and love;
 then, when thy voice shall bid our con - flict cease,

that in this house have called up - on thy Name.
 for dark and light are both a - like to thee.
 peace in each heart, thy Spi - rit from a - bove:
 call us, O Lord, to thine e - ter - nal peace.

Words: John Ellerton (1826-1893), alt.
 Music: *Ellers*, Edward John Hopkins (1818-1901)

10 10. 10 10

Dismissal

Let us go forth in the name of Christ
 Thanks be to God.

serving today . . .

The Very Rev. Matthew Bradley, *celebrant*

The Rev. Dr. Eva Markham, *deacon*

Austin Echols, *organist & choir director*

Blossom Marshall, Randy Peters, *lectors*

Jerry Brown, *intercessor*

Bill Smith, John Werst, Brenda Runner, Mike Wright, *eucharistic ministers*

Susan Shockey, Page Curry, *eucharistic visitors*

Susan Shockey, Bill Shelton, Kim McDaniel, *acolytes*

Liam O'Daniel Munger, *altar guild*

Lee Cochran, Mike DaRif, Susan Wettle, *greeters/ushers*

Patsy Melton, *bell ringer*

Tim Tice, *live stream*



*... as for
me and my
household,
we will
serve the
Lord*

Joshua 24:15

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⇒ *a church in the heart of the city with a heart for the city* ⇐

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