



## **Holy Eucharist, Rite II**

*From the Book of Common Prayer, Expansive Language*

**Fifth Sunday of Easter**

**10:00 AM**

**May 3, 2026**

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# Welcome to Grace Episcopal Church! ¡Bienvenidos a Grace!



“Grace’s mission is to live out the unconditional and reconciling love of God with generous hospitality, inspired worship, and inclusive community.

**Restrooms** are in two places. Through the side doors and down the hall, there are two, single-stall restrooms. If you keep going down the hallway to the Parish Hall and turn left, there are multi-stall restrooms (with handicap stalls).

**Coffee Hour** takes place directly after the 10 am service in the Parish Hall. Exit the sanctuary through the side doors and turn right down the hallway. Keep going and you’ll reach the Parish Hall!

**Welcome!** To meet with a clergy member, please fill out of Welcome Card located under the seat in front of you.

## About our Worship

- We use a set service order called a “liturgy.” The order of worship stays (mostly) the same week to week and we share it with all other Episcopal Churches.
- Our worship involves words, music, and movement. Items italicized or listed in red (*rubrics*) are notes about when we stand, sit, and kneel, and what we say and sing together.
- Children are always welcome. Children’s Chapel takes place between the Collect and the Peace. Younger children and their caregivers are welcome to sit in our “Pray Ground,” located near the back of the sanctuary, as desired.

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Paul English, *piano and director*; Horace Alexander Young,  
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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Grace at Midday**— Noontday Prayer and Bible Study, Tuesdays at 12N

**Women of Grace**—Tuesdays at 7PM, Zoom

**Men of Grace**—Saturdays at 9AM, Zoom

**Parishwide Pentecost Picnic and Photo**—May 24, 2026—Wear Red for Pentecost and bring a beloved dish and plan to party with us! It's a Holy Spirit party!!

**Graduate Recognition Sunday**—June 14, 2026— Graduating this spring or summer? Let us know! We will celebrate all graduates at the 10AM liturgy on June 14, 2026

## A short Catechism

*Q. Why is there no General Confession in Easter?*

A. You may have noticed that the Confession – the part of the service where we collectively acknowledge that we make mistakes, that we hurt others, that we carry around guilt and doubt and regret, and then we receive God's forgiveness and assurance of healing – is absent during the Easter season. For some, this will feel like a major omission. Human beings are adept at weighing down our lives with feelings of powerlessness and inadequacy, anxiety for our shortcomings, gaping wounds of anger and hurt for how our relationships have been broken. This time in our worship to take stock, to lay down those burdens before God and to be reminded of God's faithfulness to, and love for, us can help many to feel lighter, freer, refreshed.

However, it is the tradition of the ancient church that the Confession is omitted during the season of Easter. It is not that Christians miraculously become perfect people during the seven weeks of Easter and therefore have no need of repentance and absolution. Instead, it is perhaps more appropriate to think of Easter as a rehearsal, a practicing of what a right relationship with God and one another actually looks like.

Whereas Lent is a time for honest and probing self-reflection, intentionality and care in how we use our time and resources, sparseness and restraint, Easter is a time for celebration, celebration of the fullness of God's kingdom, of a reality in which each of us lives in the light and love of God and reflects that light and love in our relationships with one another. In the fullness of God's Kingdom, we are free from the past brokenness and pain of our lives and our relationships are whole and life-giving. In the fullness of God's Kingdom, talk of sin and forgiveness no longer have a place, because we are healed.

We are not there yet. Brokenness and fragility are part of our story. We still look forward to the time when the promises of new life and healing offered on that first Easter morning will be fully realized. And some of us might continue to bring heavy hearts to worship through Easter. Individuals are encouraged to offer before God in prayer any confessions, any needs, any worries, regardless of whether it is Easter or not. However, our collective prayer changes at Easter in order that we might, as a community, tell this part of our story: Christ is risen! And we have glimpsed the Kingdom of God, where every tear is wiped away, where all hearts are mended, where we join with all of creation in receiving and sharing the good gifts God gives us.

-- Explanation by St. George's Church in Ontario, Canada

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*In silence, let us prepare our hearts and minds for worship to begin.*

## Prelude

*God is Here: There is a Sweet Anointing in This Sanctuary*

## Opening Hymn

*Christ is Alive*



1. Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing. His cross stands  
2. Christ is a - live! No long - er bound to dis - tant  
3. Not throned a - bove, re - mote - ly high, un - touched, un -  
4. In ev - 'ry in - sult, rift and war where co - lor,  
5. Christ is a - live! His spi - rit burns through this and



emp - ty\_\_\_ to the sky. Let streets and homes with  
years\_\_\_ in\_\_\_ Pal - es - tine, He comes to claim the  
moved by\_\_\_ hu - man pains, but dai - ly, in the  
scorn\_\_\_ or\_\_\_ wealth di - vide, He suf - fers still, yet  
ev - 'ry\_\_\_ fu - ture age, till all cre - a - tion



prais - es\_\_\_ ring. His love in death shall\_\_\_ nev - er die.  
here\_\_\_ and\_\_\_ now and con - quer ev - 'ry\_\_\_ place and time.  
midst of\_\_\_ life, our Sa - vior with\_\_\_ the\_\_\_ Fa - ther reigns.  
loves the\_\_\_ more, and lives, though ev - er\_\_\_ cru - ci - fied.  
lives\_\_\_ and\_\_\_ learns his joy, his jus - tice,\_\_\_ love and praise.

## The Opening Acclamation

*The Celebrant then says*

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

## Song of Praise

*Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises*



1. Hal - le - lu - jah! We sing your prais-es! All our hearts are filled with glad -  
(2. Hal - le) - lu - jah! e - lo tsa ro - na, di tha - bi - e ka - o - fe -



ness! Hal - le - lu - jah! We sing your prais-es! All our hearts are filled with glad -  
la. Hal - le - lu - jah! e - lo tsa ro - na, di tha - bi - e ka - o - fe -



ness! Christ the Lord to us said: "I am wine, I am  
la. Je - sus says to us still: "All who do the Lord's



bread, I am wine, I am bread, give to all who thirst and hun - ger!"  
will, all who do the Lord's will are my sis - ters and my bro - thers."

## The Collect of the Day

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

### *The Celebrant prays*

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*Then, as the people are seated, children ages 4-10 are invited to follow the cross to Children's Chapel.*

## The First Lesson

Acts 7: 55-60

*Reader* A reading from Acts.

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Stephen gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. "Look," he said, "I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!" But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man

named Saul. While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." When he had said this, he died.

*Reader*            The Word of the Lord.

*People*            **Thanks be to God.**

### **Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16**

*The People join the Lector in reading the Psalm responsively by whole verse.*

1 In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge;  
let me never be put to shame; \*  
deliver me in your righteousness.

**2 Incline your ear to me; \*  
make haste to deliver me.**

3 Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe,  
for you are my crag and my stronghold; \*  
for the sake of your Name, lead me and guide me.

**4 Take me out of the net that they have secretly set for me, \*  
for you are my tower of strength.**

5 Into your hands I commend my spirit, \*  
for you have redeemed me,  
O Lord, O God of truth.

**15 My times are in your hand; \*  
rescue me from the hand of my enemies,  
and from those who persecute me.**

16 Make your face to shine upon your servant, \*  
and in your loving-kindness save me.

### **The Second Lesson**

1 Peter 2: 2-10

*Reader*            A Reading from First Peter.

Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation— if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture:

"See, I am laying in Zion a stone,  
a cornerstone chosen and precious;  
and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame."

To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe,

"The stone that the builders rejected  
has become the very head of the corner",

and

"A stone that makes them stumble,

and a rock that makes them fall.”

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

Once you were not a people,  
but now you are God’s people;

once you had not received mercy,  
but now you have received mercy.

*Reader*            The Word of the Lord.

*People*            **Thanks be to God.**

## Sequence Hymn

*To God be the Glory*

*The People stand as able.*



1. To God be the glo - ry, great things he has done! So  
2. O per - fect re - demp - tion, the pur - chase of blood! To  
3. Great things he has taught us, great things he has done, and



loved he the world that he gave us his son, who  
ev - ery be - liev - er the pro - mise of God! The  
great our re - joic - ing through Je - sus the son; but



yield - - - ed his life and a - tone - ment for sin and  
vil - - - est of - fen - der who tru - ly be - lieves, that  
pur - - - er and high - er and great - er will be our



o - pened the life - gate that all may go in. Praise the  
mo - ment from Je - sus for - give - ness re - ceives.  
won - der, our rap - ture, when Je - sus we see.

Lord! Praise the Lord! Let the earth hear his voice! Praise the Lord! Praise the

Lord! Let the peo - ple re - jice! O come to the Fa - ther, through

Je - sus, the son, and give him the glo - ry! Great things he has done!

## The Gospel

John 14: 1-14

*All standing, the Deacon reads the Gospel, first saying*

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

*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going." Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him."

Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it."

*Deacon* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## The Sermon

*The Reverend Ryan Hawthorne, Rector*

## The Nicene Creed | El Credo Niceno

*The People stand as able.*

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 and the Son.  
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.

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,  
Quién ha hablado a través de 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.

## **Prayers of the People** *(Please remain standing)*

*The Leader and People pray responsively*

God, 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; especially the victims of war and famine in Ukraine, Sudan, Lebanon, Iran, and Palestine, the victims of violence in US cities, and all victims of gun violence. **Grant that we with all your saints, may be brought to a joyful resurrection and the fulfillment of your kingdom.**

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

*Silence*

*The People may add their own petitions.*

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## **The Peace**

*The Celebrant says to the people*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

## **Welcome and Announcements**

*If you are new or visiting with us today, we invite you to fill out a Welcome Card located under the seat in front of you, or scan the QR code.*



## **Blessing for Birthdays and Anniversaries**

**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.**

# The Holy Communion

## The Offertory

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

*Ephesians 5:2*

## Offertory Anthem

*We Know that Christ is Raised and Dies No More*



1. We know that Christ is raised and dies no more.\_\_\_\_\_ Em-braced by  
2. We share by wa - ter in his sav - ing death.\_\_\_\_\_ Re - born we  
3. The Fath - er's splen - dor clothes the Son with life.\_\_\_\_\_ The Spi - rit's  
4. A new cre - a - tion comes to life and grows\_\_\_\_\_ as Christ's new



death he broke its fear - ful hold: and our de - spair he turned to  
share with him an Eas - ter life as liv - ing mem - bers of a  
pow - er shakes the Church of God. Bap - tized we live with God the  
bo - dy takes on flesh and blood. the u - ni - verse re - stored and



blaz - ing joy. Al - - - le - lu - - - ia!  
liv - ing Christ. Al - - - le - lu - - - ia!  
Three in One. Al - - - le - lu - - - ia!  
whole will sing:



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

## Doxology

Old Hundredth

Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; Praise God all crea - tures  
here be - low; Praise God a - bove, ye heav'n - ly host;  
Praise Fa - ther, Son and Ho - ly Ghost. A - - - men.

## The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B

*The Celebrant says*

God be with you.

*People* **And also 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.**

*Then, the Celebrant proceeds with the prayer.*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

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



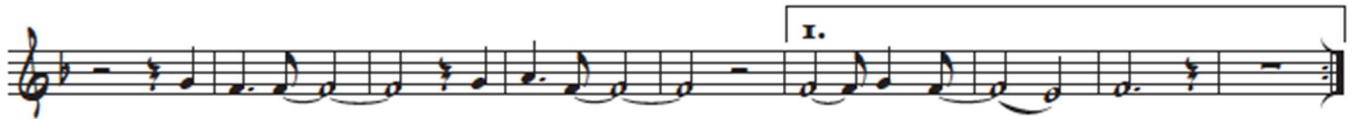
1. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might.  
2. Blessed, bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.



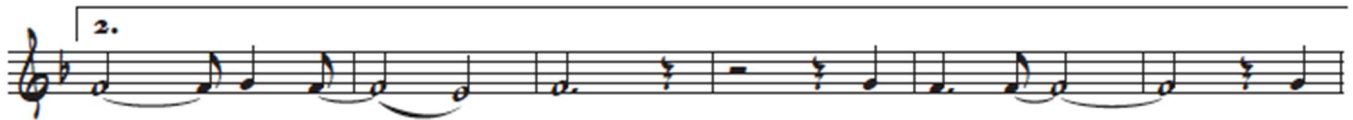
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might.  
Bless - ed, bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.



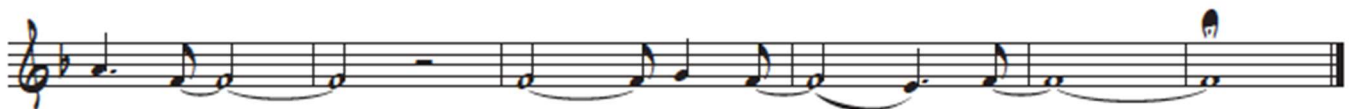
Heav - en and earth are full. full of your glo - - - - ry.  
Ho - - - san - - - - na, in the high - - - - est,



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, in the high - - - est.  
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na,



in the high - - - est. Ho - san - na, ho -



san - na, in the high - - - est.

*The people stand or kneel as able. The Celebrant continues with the prayer.*

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 Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. For in these last days you sent Jesus to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In Christ, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In Christ, 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 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, according to his command, O Father,

*Celebrant and People*

**We remember Christ’s death,**

**We proclaim Christ’s resurrection,**

**We await Christ’s coming in glory;**

*The Celebrant continues*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Savior 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 in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, through whom we are acceptable to you, 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 Stephen, Philip, and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your children; through Jesus Christ our Savior, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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. **AMEN**

## **The Lord’s Prayer | El Padre Nuestro**

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

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy Name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

**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

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.*

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

*People* Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

## Fraction Anthem

*Alleluia*



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us; there - fore let us keep — the feast.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

*Celebrant* The Gifts of God for the People of God.

### **How to Receive Communion:**

*The ushers will signal when it is time for you to move to the front to receive Communion. If you are not able to process to the altar rail, please let an usher know so that Eucharistic ministers may serve you from your seat.*

*Holy Communion may be received in the Bread only ("in one kind"), or in both Bread and Wine ("in both kinds"). Wine may be received by dipping the Bread (wafer) slightly into the chalice ("intinction") or by drinking directly from the chalice.*

*Those not receiving the Sacrament may approach with others, crossing arms across the chest to indicate a desire for the Priest to administer a prayer of blessing.*

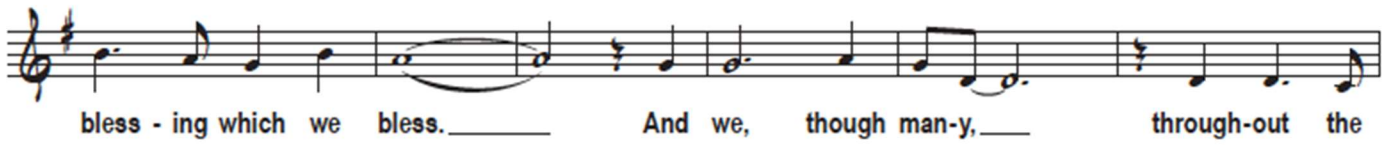
*If you would like to pray with someone, our healing prayer ministers are waiting to pray with you in the Columbarium Chapel (back right of the sanctuary).*

# Communion Anthem

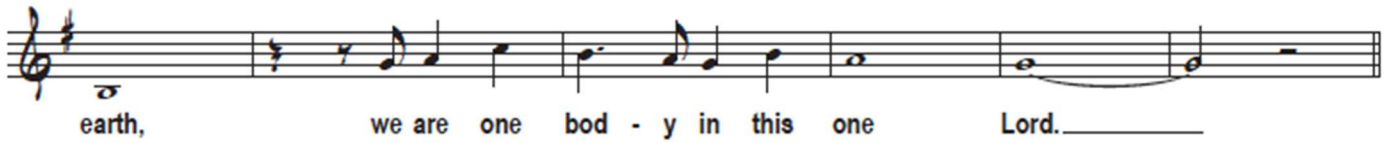
*One Bread, One Body*



One bread, one bod-y, \_\_\_\_\_ one Lord of all, one cup of



bless - ing which we bless. \_\_\_\_\_ And we, though man-y, \_\_\_\_\_ through-out the



earth, we are one bod - y in this one Lord. \_\_\_\_\_



1. Gen - tile or Jew, ser - vant or free,  
2. Man - y the gifts, man - y the works,  
3. Grain for the fields, scat - tered and grown,



wo - man or man, \_\_\_\_\_ more. \_\_\_\_\_  
one in the Lord \_\_\_\_\_ all \_\_\_\_\_  
gath - ered to one \_\_\_\_\_ all \_\_\_\_\_

## Communion Music

*Be thou My Vision*



1. Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;  
2. Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;  
3. High King of hea - ven, when vic - tory is won,



all else be nought to me, save that thou art,  
I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord;  
may I reach hea - ven's joys, bright hea - ven's Sun!



thou my best thought, by day or by night,  
thou my great Fa - ther; thine own may I be:  
Heart of my hearts, what - ev - er be - fall,



wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.  
thou in me dwell - ing, and I one with thee.  
still be my vi - sion, O Ru - ler of all.

## The Prayer after Communion

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

Let us pray.

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 Benediction

*The Celebrant blesses the people.*

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

# Closing Hymn

*I Will Rejoice!*

I will re-joice, I will be glad, I will praise  
God who holds my life in His hands. I will re-joyce

1. I will praise the Fa - ther. I will praise the Son.  
2. I will praise the Fa - ther each and ev' - ry day and

I will praise the Spir - it for - ev - er more. I will re - joice,  
I will sing His love songs for - ev - er more.

I will be glad, I will praise God who holds my life  
in His hands. I will re - joice, To COCA

COCA glad, I will praise God who holds my life,

*(D.S. AL COCA)*

*(COCO)*

## The Dismissal

*Deacon*

Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia. Alleluia.

*People*

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

## Postlude

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