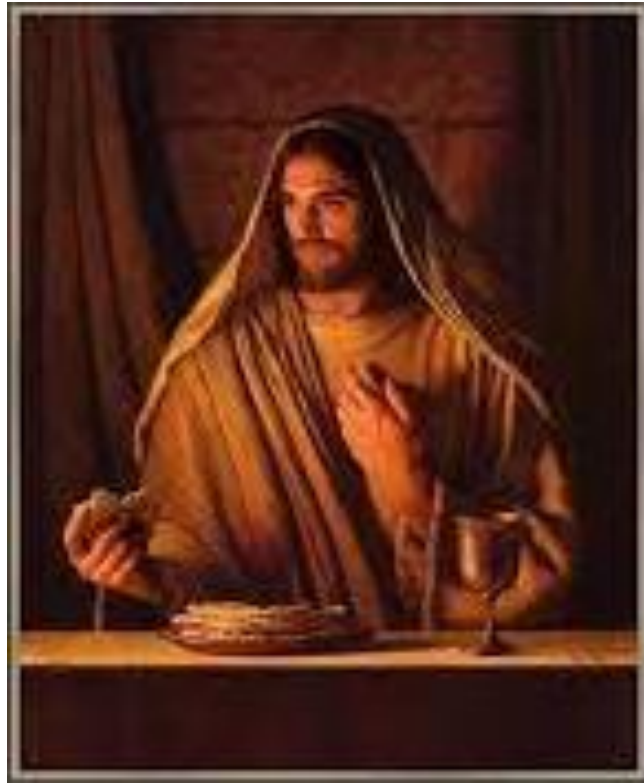


# Welcome to St. John's Church



## The Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost:

*August 4, 2024*  
*8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.*

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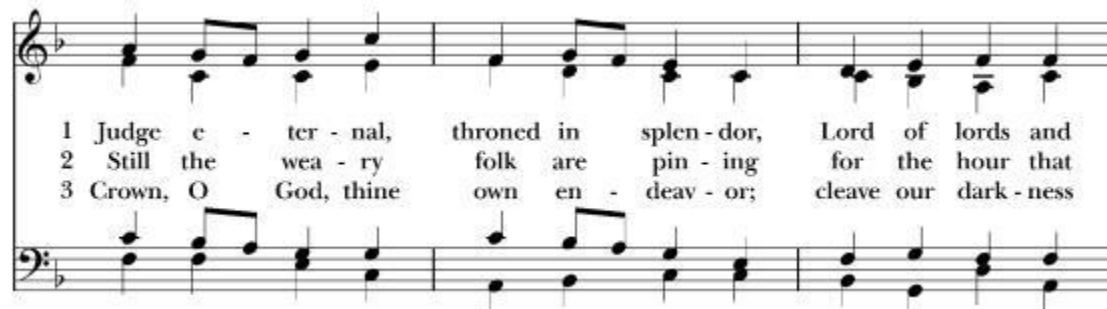
# THE HOLY EUCHARIST

*The Liturgy for the Proclamation of the Word of God  
and Celebration of the Holy Communion*

## Organ Prelude

## The Call to Worship with the tolling of the church bell

## Opening Hymn # 596 *Judge Eternal, Throned in Splendor*



1 Judge e - ter - nal, throned in splen - dor, Lord of lords and  
2 Still the wea - ry folk are pin - ing for the hour that  
3 Crown, O God, thine own en - deav - or; cleave our dark - ness



King of kings, with thy liv - ing fire of judg - ment  
brings re - lease, and the ci - ty's crowd - ed clang - or  
with thy sword; feed all those who do not know thee



purge this land of bit - ter things; sol - ace all its  
cries a - loud for sin to cease; and the home - steads  
with the rich - ness of thy word; cleanse the bo - dy



wide do - min - ion with the heal - ing of thy wings.  
and the wood - lands plead in si - lence for their peace.  
of this na - tion through the glo - ry of the Lord.

*The people standing, the Celebrant may say*

*Celebrant* Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

*People* ***Glory to God for ever and ever.***

*The Celebrant says*

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.***

### **The Trisagion S # 102**

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,

Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.

The musical score consists of two systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is one flat (B-flat major or D minor). The first system contains the lyrics 'Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,' and the second system contains 'Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.' The piano accompaniment features chords and moving lines that support the vocal melody.

### **The Collect of the Day**

*The Celebrant says to the people*

God be with you.

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

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*The Celebrant says the Collect.*

Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

### **The Readings**

*INTRODUCTION: In our sequential reading from the Hebrew Bible, Nathan the prophet makes use of a parable to confront King David with his culpability in the murder of Uriah the Hittite.*

## **A Reading from the Second Book of Samuel (11:26-12:13a)**

When the wife of Uriah heard that her husband was dead, she made lamentation for him. When the mourning was over, David sent and brought her to his house, and she became his wife, and bore him a son. But the thing that David had done displeased the LORD, and the LORD sent Nathan to David. He came to him, and said to him, "There were two men in a certain city, the one rich and the other poor. The rich man had very many flocks and herds; but the poor man had nothing but one little ewe lamb, which he had bought. He brought it up, and it grew up with him and with his children; it used to eat of his meager fare, and drink from his cup, and lie in his bosom, and it was like a daughter to him. Now there came a traveler to the rich man, and he was loath to take one of his own flock or herd to prepare for the wayfarer who had come to him, but he took the poor man's lamb, and prepared that for the guest who had come to him." Then David's anger was greatly kindled against the man. He said to Nathan, "As the LORD lives, the man who has done this deserves to die; he shall restore the lamb fourfold, because he did this thing, and because he had no pity." Nathan said to David, "You are the man! Thus says the LORD, the God of Israel: I anointed you king over Israel, and I rescued you from the hand of Saul; I gave you your master's house, and your master's wives into your bosom, and gave you the house of Israel and of Judah; and if that had been too little, I would have added as much more. Why have you despised the word of the LORD, to do what is evil in his sight? You have struck down Uriah the Hittite with the sword, and have taken his wife to be your wife, and have killed him with the sword of the Ammonites. Now therefore the sword shall never depart from your house, for you have despised me, and have taken the wife of Uriah the Hittite to be your wife. Thus says the LORD: I will raise up trouble against you from within your own house; and I will take your wives before your eyes, and give them to your neighbor, and he shall lie with your wives in the sight of this very sun. For you did it secretly; but I will do this thing before all Israel, and before the sun." David said to Nathan, "I have sinned against the LORD."

*After each Reading, the Reader may say*

The Word of the Lord.

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

## **Psalm 51:1-13**

*the congregation is invited to join in reciting the Psalm*

***1 Have mercy on me, O God, according to your loving-kindness; \*  
in your great compassion blot out my offenses.***

***2 Wash me through and through from my wickedness \*  
and cleanse me from my sin.***

- 3 For I know my transgressions, \*  
and my sin is ever before me.*
- 4 Against you only have I sinned \*  
and done what is evil in your sight.*
- 5 And so you are justified when you speak \*  
and upright in your judgment.*
- 6 Indeed, I have been wicked from my birth, \*  
a sinner from my mother's womb.*
- 7 For behold, you look for truth deep within me, \*  
and will make me understand wisdom secretly.*
- 8 Purge me from my sin, and I shall be pure; \*  
wash me, and I shall be clean indeed.*
- 9 Make me hear of joy and gladness, \*  
that the body you have broken may rejoice.*
- 10 Hide your face from my sins \*  
and blot out all my iniquities.*
- 11 Create in me a clean heart, O God, \*  
and renew a right spirit within me.*
- 12 Cast me not away from your presence \*  
and take not your holy Spirit from me.*
- 13 Give me the joy of your saving help again \*  
and sustain me with your bountiful Spirit.*

*INTRODUCTION: In this lesson the new Christians in Ephesus are urged to lead lives of patient love, using their various gifts in the unity of the Spirit, while growing toward their maturity in Christ.*

### **A Reading from Ephesians (4:1-16)**

I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all. But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. Therefore it is said, "When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive; he gave gifts to his people." When it says, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts

of the earth? He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things. The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

*After each Reading, the Reader may say*

The Word of the Lord.

*People*

***Thanks be to God.***

**Gradual Hymn # 635** *If Thou But Trust In God To Guide Thee*

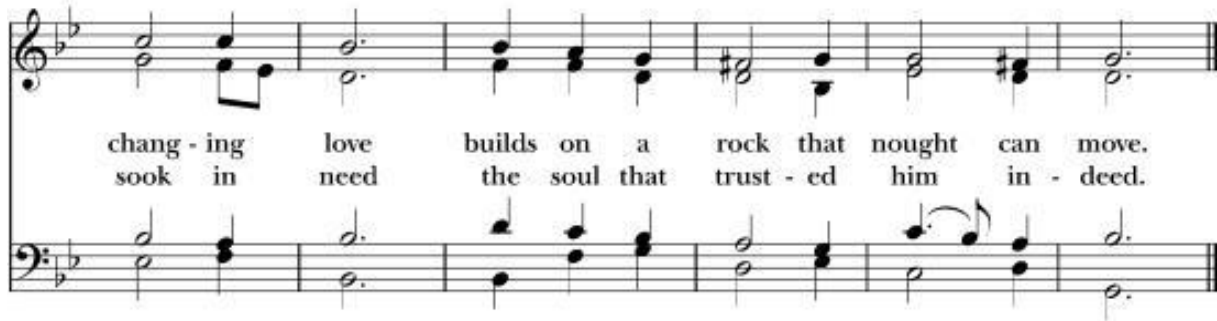
*Unison or harmony*



1 If thou but trust in God to guide thee, and hope in him through  
 2 Sing, pray, and keep his ways un-swerv-ing; so do thine own part

all thy ways, he'll give thee strength what-e'er be-tide thee,  
 faith-ful-ly, and trust his word, though un-de-serv-ing;

and bear thee through the e-vil days. Who trusts in God's un-  
 thou yet shalt find it true for thee; God nev-er yet for-



*Then, all standing, the Deacon or a Priest reads the Gospel, first saying*

*INTRODUCTION: In our gospel Jesus tells the crowd of the true bread of life, the bread from heaven.*

**The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ  
according to St. John (6:24-35)**

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

The next day, when the people who remained after the feeding of the five thousand saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus. When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, “Rabbi, when did you come here?” Jesus answered them, “Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal.” Then they said to him, “What must we do to perform the works of God?” Jesus answered them, “This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.” So they said to him, “What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, ‘He gave them bread from heaven to eat.’” Then Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.” They said to him, “Sir, give us this bread always.” Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.”

*After the Gospel, the Reader says*

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**The Sermon**                    The Reverend Dr. Geoffrey Hahneman, Priest-in-Charge

**The Apostles’ Creed**

*Officiant and People together, all standing*

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

### **The Prayers of the People**

Through the waters of baptism we share in the death and resurrection of Jesus. Joined together in this fellowship of faith, let us offer our petitions as we respond by saying, “Savior, be with us.”

#### **The congregation may wish to sit or kneel for the prayers**

+ That we may acknowledge the gifts that God has given to us and place them within the community of believers, so that our fellowship may provide for an abundant and fruitful ministry; let us pray.

***Savior, be with us.***

+ That we may be a people of vision and strength, setting aside words of blame and complaint, and moving forward to reveal the kingdom of God in our world; let us pray.

***Savior, be with us.***

+ That the leaders of the churches and governments of the world will echo the voice of the peacemakers who call us to turn weapons of destruction into resources for education, employment, health care, and all that speaks of God’s desire for humankind; let us pray.

***Savior, be with us.***

+ For personal honesty, that we may admit our sins—our pride and self-sufficiency, our greed and deception, our manipulation of others—so that we may be cleansed and reveal to others the forgiveness and love of our Redeemer; let us pray.

***Savior, be with us.***



+ That we may be a baptizing community, offering this holy sacrament to those who have not been reborn into the community of faith, offering to them the liberating life of the Risen One; let us pray.

*Savior, be with us.*

+ That those who have died in faith may be received into the arms of God's mercy, into the blessed rest of everlasting peace, and into the glorious company of the saints; let us pray.

*Savior, be with us.*

Following in the footsteps of the prophets, apostles, saints, and martyrs, let us continue our prayers.

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

Almighty and most merciful God, we remember before you this morning all the poor and neglected persons whom it would be easy for us to forget: the homeless and the destitute, the old and the sick, and all who have none to care for them. Help us to heal those who are broken in body or spirit, and to turn their sorrow into joy. Grant this, Father, for the love of your Son, who for our sake became poor, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### **Confession of Sin**

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*God of all mercy,  
we confess that we have sinned against you,  
opposing your will in our lives.  
We have denied your goodness in each other,  
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.  
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,  
the evil we have done,  
and the evil done on our behalf.  
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us  
through our Savior Jesus Christ,  
that we may abide in your love  
and serve only your will. Amen.*

May the Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution and remission of all your sins, time for true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

### **The Peace**

*The Celebrant says to the people*

The peace of God be always with you.

People *And also with you.*

## The Holy Communion

*The Celebrant may begin the Offertory with one of the sentences of Scripture.*

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us,  
an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

### Offertory Hymn # 380

*From All That Dwell Below the Skies*

1 From all that dwell be - low the skies let  
2 E - ter - nal are thy mer - cies, Lord, and  
\*3 Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise  
the Cre - a - tor's praise a - rise! Let the Re - deem - er's  
truth e - ter - nal is thy word: thy praise shall sound from  
him, all crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye  
Name be sung through ev - ery land, by ev - ery tongue!  
shore to shore till suns shall rise and set no more.  
heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

### The Great Thanksgiving

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 God.

People *It is right to give God thanks and praise.*

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

***Glory to you for ever and ever.***

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

***By your will they were created and have their being.***

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

***Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.***

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

***By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.***

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

### 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 -



**The congregation may wish to sit or kneel for the consecration prayer**

*The Celebrant continues*

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

***We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.***

Lord God of our Fathers; God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

***Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.***

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **AMEN.**

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.*

### **The Breaking of the Bread**

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.*

*A period of silence is kept. Then may be said*

*We break this bread  
to share in the Body of Christ.  
**We who are many are one body,  
for we all share in the one bread.***

*Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation.*

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.

***All baptized Christians of all ages and denominations are welcome to receive Communion in this place. This is God's house and the Lord's table, not ours***

*INSTRUCTIONS: Those wishing to receive Communion should come forward to the Altar rail as directed. Please speak with an Usher if you need to receive Communion in the pew. The consecrated host will be placed in the hands or upon the tongue of the recipient, as desired. If one wishes intinction, then either the chalice bearer or the communicant may take the host and dip it in the wine. Otherwise, communicants may sip from the chalice, assisting by taking hold of its base. If the communicant does not wish to receive the wine, one can simply cross their arms across their chest so to indicate.*

*Gluten free wafers are available. Just ask at the altar rail if you wish one.*

*If you need to receive Communion in the pews, just let the usher know.*

### **Communion Hymn # 324**      *Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence*



1	Let	all	mo - rtal	flesh	keep	si - lence,	and	with	fear	and
2	King	of	kings, yet	born	of	Ma - ry,	as	of	old	on
3	Rank	on	rank the	host	of	hea - ven	spreads	its	van - guard	
4	At	his	feet the	six - winged	ser - aph;	cher - u - bim	with			

trem - bling stand; pon - der noth - ing earth - ly -  
earth he stood, Lord of lords in hu - man  
on the way, as the Light of Light de -  
sleep - less eye veil their fac - es to the

mind - ed, for with bless - ing in his hand  
ves - ture, in the Bo - dy and the Blood  
scend - eth from the realms of end - less day,  
Pres - ence, as with cease - less voice they cry,

Christ our God to earth de - scend - eth,  
he will give to all the faith - ful  
that the powers of hell may va - nish  
"Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

our full hom - age to de - mand.  
his own self for heaven - ly food.  
as the dark - ness clears a way.  
Al - le - lu - ia, Lord Most High!"

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

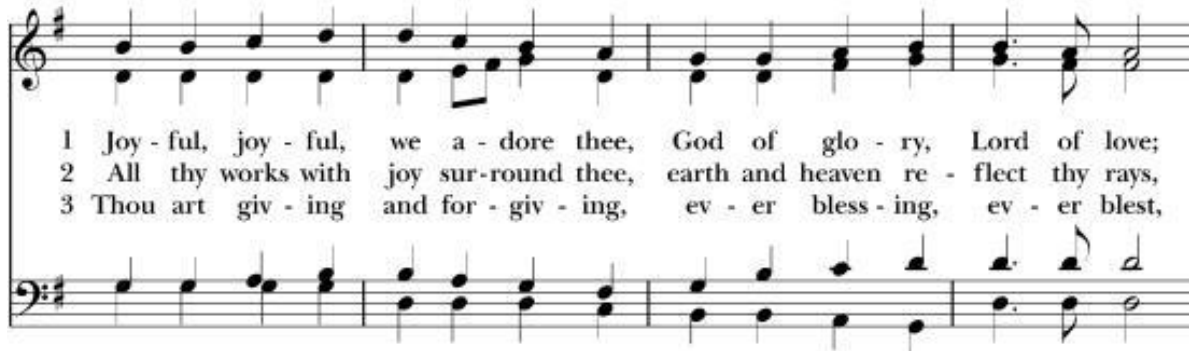
***Loving God,  
we give you thanks  
for restoring us in your image  
and nourishing us with spiritual food  
in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.  
Now send us forth  
a people, forgiven, healed, renewed;  
that we may proclaim your love to the world  
and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.***

The Priest may bless the people

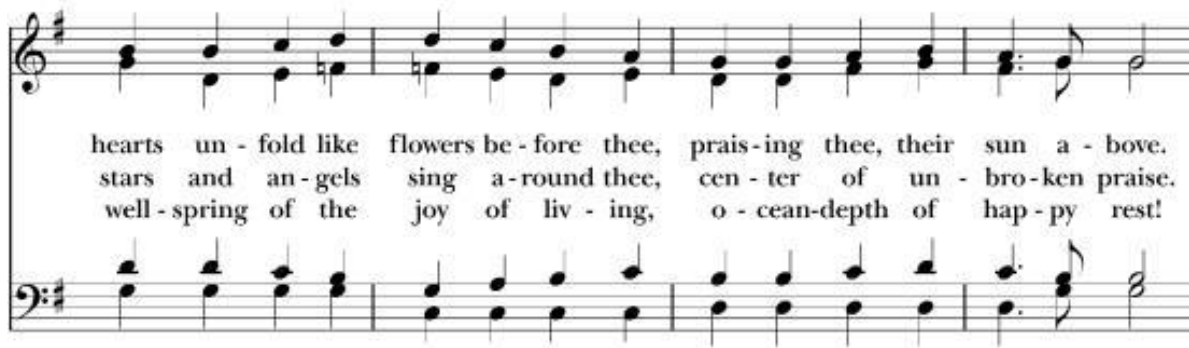
The Wisdom of God  
the Love of God  
and the Grace of God  
strengthen you

to be Christ's hands and heart in this world,  
in the name of the Holy Trinity. *Amen.* (source: Celtic)

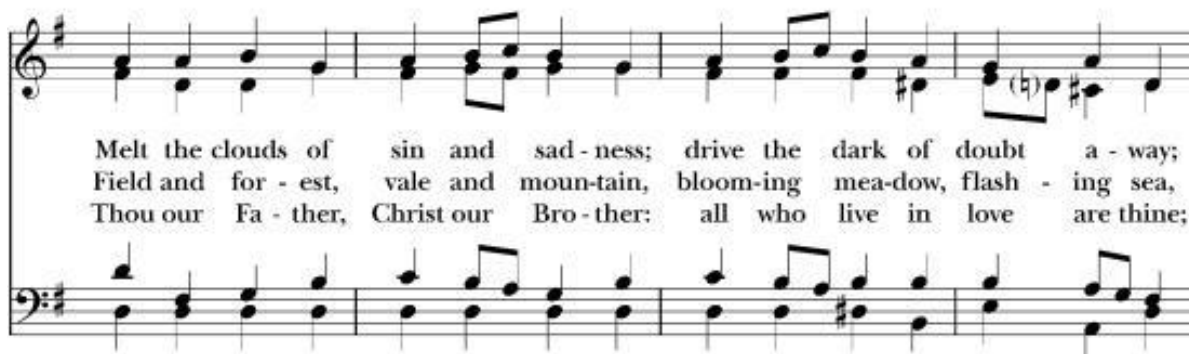
**Closing Hymn # 376** *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*



1 Joy - ful, joy - ful, we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love;  
2 All thy works with joy sur-round thee, earth and heaven re - flect thy rays,  
3 Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, ev - er bless - ing, ev - er blest,



hearts un - fold like flowers be - fore thee, prais - ing thee, their sun a - bove.  
stars and an - gels sing a - round thee, cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.  
well - spring of the joy of liv - ing, o - cean - depth of hap - py rest!



Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness; drive the dark of doubt a - way;  
Field and for - est, vale and moun - tain, bloom - ing mea - dow, flash - ing sea,  
Thou our Fa - ther, Christ our Bro - ther: all who live in love are thine;



giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, fill us with the light of day.  
chant - ing bird and flow - ing foun - tain, call us to re - joice in thee.  
teach - us how to love each o - ther, lift us to the joy di - vine.

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

*People Thanks be to God.*

## **Organ Postlude**

### **Worship Ministers Today:**

The Reverend Dr. Geoffrey Hahneman: *Celebrant & Preacher*

Emily Dsouza: *Organist*

Tom Hollinger: *8:00 Reader*

Mary Davis: *10:00 Reader*

MB Witt: *Chalicer*

Fr. Geoff: *Veejay (VJ)*

MB Witt, Susie Magee: *Altar Guild*

Mary Davis: *Coffee Host*

Bob Futh, Natalie Dyer: *Ushers*

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