

The Parish of Holy Trinity St. Stephens

FIFTH SUNDAY OF
EASTER

APRIL 28TH, 2024

Eucharist #1

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A silhouette of a person with their arms raised in a gesture of praise or worship, set against a vibrant sunset over the ocean. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a warm, golden glow. The person's hair is blowing in the wind.

Lord, I Lift Your Name On High

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Verse 1

**Lord, I lift Your name on high;
Lord, I love to sing Your praises.
I'm so glad You're in my life;
I'm so glad you came to save us**

Bridge

**You came from heaven to earth
To show the way,
From the earth to the cross
My debt to pay;
From the cross to the grave,
From the grave to the sky;
Lord, I lift Your name on high.**

Verse 2

Lord, I pray to you each day.

Lord, I ask You for Your blessings.

I'm so glad You gave your love;

I'm so glad my heart was opened

Bridge

**You came from heaven to earth
To show the way,
From the earth to the cross
My debt to pay;
From the cross to the grave,
From the grave to the sky;
Lord, I lift Your name on high.**



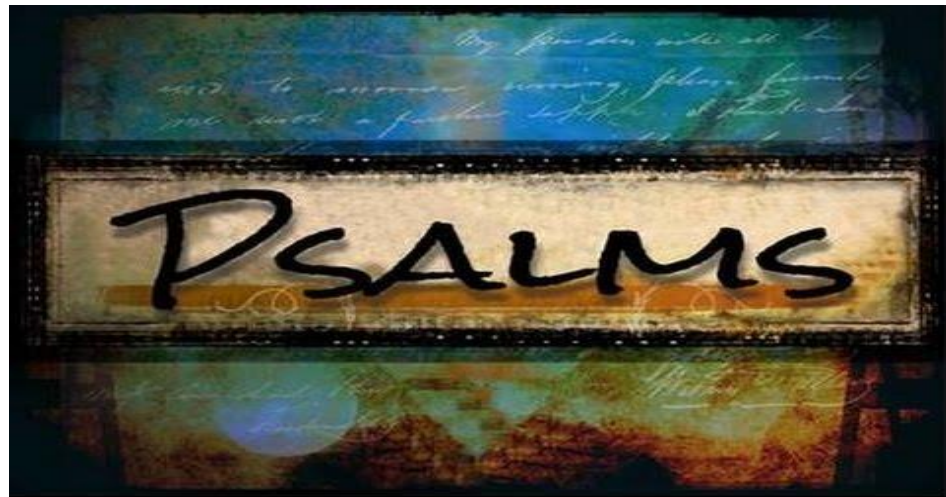
A wooden cross stands against a dramatic sunset sky with soft, wispy clouds in shades of blue, purple, and orange. A white shroud is draped over the cross, symbolizing resurrection. The word "Welcome" is written in a purple, cursive font across the center of the image, partially overlapping the cross and the sky.

Welcome

Welcome and Announcements: Rev. Rob Henderson

Choir practice !!





Psalm 22.24-30 (George Black Psalter)

Refrain:

***“All the ends of the earth shall
turn to the Lord.”***

I Am The Bread, The Bread Of Life

I am the bread, the bread of life;

Who comes to me will never hunger.

I am the bread, the bread of heaven;

Who feeds on me will never die.

And as you eat remember me

My body broken on the tree:

My life was given to set you free,

And I'm alive for evermore.



*All Hail the
Power of
Jesus Name*

*Book of
Common
Praise 322*



Verse 1

All hail the power of Jesus' name!

Let angels prostrate fall;

Bring forth the royal diadem,

And crown Him, crown Him,

crown Him,

Crown Him Lord of all.

Verse 2

**Hail Him, the heir of David's line,
Whom David Lord did call,
The God incarnate, life divine,
And crown Him, crown Him,
crown Him,
Crown Him Lord of all.**

Verse 3

**Crown Him, you martyrs of your God,
Who from His altar call;
Praise Him whose burning path you
trod,
And crown Him, crown Him,
crown Him,
Crown Him Lord of all.**

Verse 4

**Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget
The wormwood and the gall,
Go spread your trophies at His feet,
And crown Him, crown Him,
crown Him,
Crown Him Lord of all.**

Verse 5

**Let every tongue and every tribe,
Delivered from the fall,
To Christ all majesty ascribe,
And crown Him, crown Him,
crown Him,
Crown Him Lord of all.**

Verse 6

**O that, with heaven's sacred throng,
We at His feet may fall,
Lift high the universal song,
And crown Him, crown Him,
crown Him,
Crown Him Lord of all.**

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Celebrant: **Alleluia! Christ is risen.**

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

Celebrant: **May his grace and peace
be with you.**

People: **May he fill our hearts with
joy!**

Celebrant: **Almighty God,**

People: **to you all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from you no secrets are hidden.
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.**

*Glory to
God on
High*

*Book of
Common
Praise*

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Verse 1

**Glory to God on high,
And peace to all on earth.
We worship you, we give you thanks,
Our heavenly King.
We give you praise,
Almighty God and Father
Blessed in glory bright.**

Verse 2

Our Saviour, Jesus Christ,

The Father's only Son,

The sacrificial Lamb,

Who saves the world from sin,

Have mercy Lord.

Beside the Father's hand enthroned,

Now hear our prayer.

Verse 3

**You only are the Lord.
You only are most high.
You only are the holy one,
Lord Jesus Christ.
And now you reign
With Father and with Spirit
One in glorious light.**

We say together the Collect for today:

**Almighty God, your Son Jesus
Christ is the way, the truth, and the
life. Give us grace to love one
another and walk in the way of his
commandments;**

**who lives and reigns with you
and the Holy Spirit, one God,
now and for ever.**

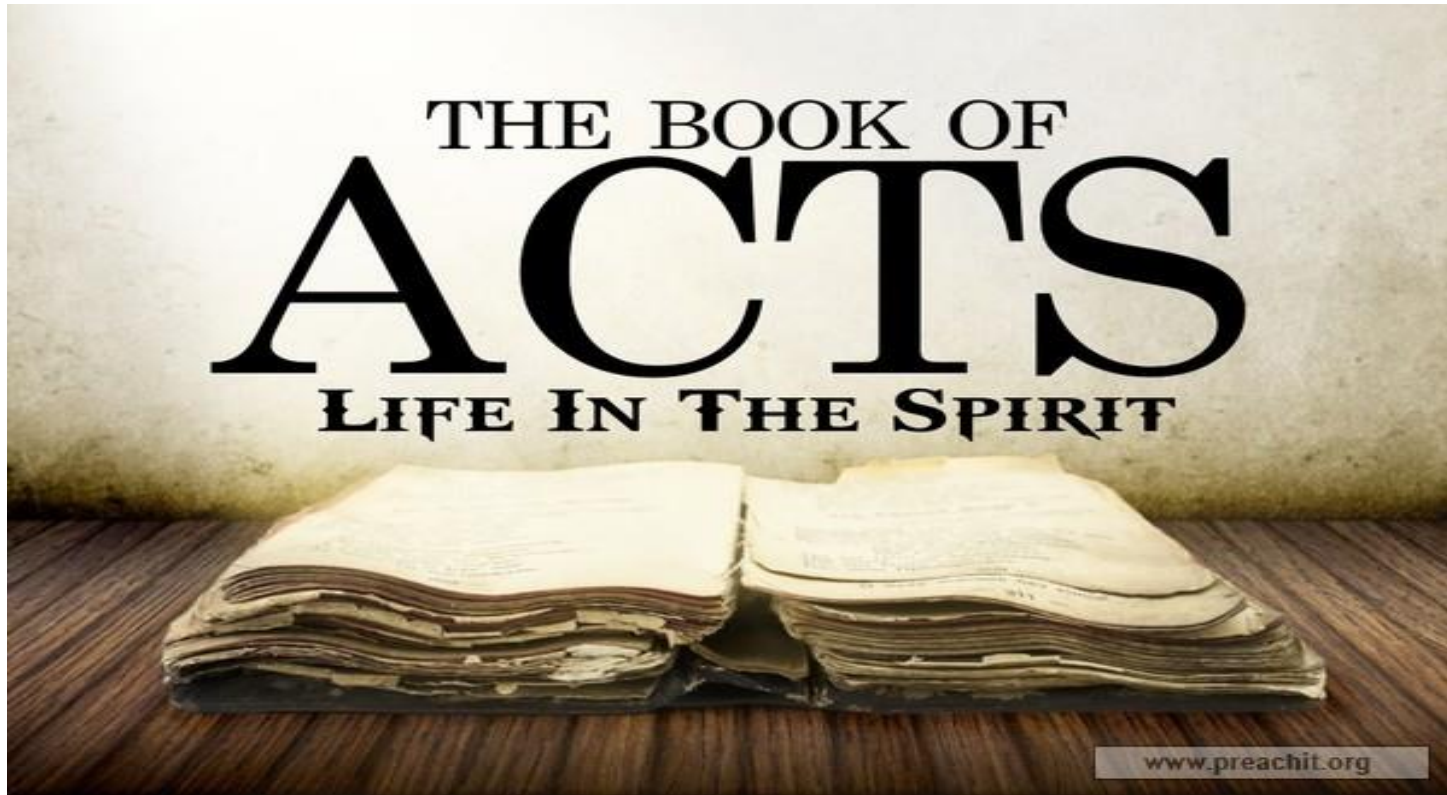
Amen.



THE READINGS

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The Proclamation of the Word



**A Reading from the
Book of Acts (8:26-40)**

Acts 8:26-40

Then an angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace,

queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over to this chariot and join it." So Philip ran up to it and heard him

reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" He replied, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this:

"Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter, and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth. In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth."

The eunuch asked Philip, "About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road,

they came to some water; and the eunuch said, "Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?" He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him.

When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

Reader: **The word of the Lord.**

People: **Thanks be to God.**



Psalm 22.24-30 (George Black Psalter)

Refrain:

***“All the ends of the earth shall
turn to the Lord.”***

Psalm 22.24-30 (George Black Psalter)

**My praise is of him in the great
assembly;**

The poor shall feast and be satisfied,

**All the ends of the earth shall
remember and turn to the Lord;**

**And all the families of the nations
shall bow before him.**

***All the ends of the earth shall
turn to the Lord.***

Psalm 22.24-30 (George Black Psalter)

For kinship belongs to the Lord;

He rules over the nations.

**To him alone all who sleep in the
earth bow down in worship;**

**All who go down to the dust fall
before him.**

***All the ends of the earth shall
turn to the Lord.***

Psalm 22.24-30 (George Black Psalter)

**My soul shall live for him; my
descendants shall serve him;
They shall be known as the Lord's for
ever.**

**They shall come and make known to a
people yet unborn**

The saving deeds that he has done.

***All the ends of the earth shall
turn to the Lord.***

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

THE
GOSPEL *of* JOHN

THAT YOU MAY BELIEVE

Please all stand for the Gospel reading



ALLELUIA



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Chorus

Alleluia,

Alleluia,

Alleluia,

Alleluia.

(Cantor) Easter 5

**The stone which the builders rejected
Becomes the cornerstone chosen.
Praise the work of God
For this marvel in our eyes.**

Chorus

Alleluia,

Alleluia,

Alleluia,

Alleluia.

All stand for the Gospel

Reader: **The Lord be with you.**

People: **And also with you.**

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

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

John 15:1-8

"I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you.

Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches.

Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing.

Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.

John 15:1-8-3/3 end

Reader: **The Gospel of Christ.**

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

Chorus

Alleluia,

Alleluia,

Alleluia,

Alleluia.



I am the
True
vine

The Homily
Rev. Rob Henderson



Prayers of the People

Fifth Sunday of Easter – Year B

**In joy and hope let us pray to the
source of all life, saying:**

Hear Us Lord

**In thanksgiving for Easter!
We pray that our risen Saviour may
fill us with the joy of his holy and
life-giving resurrection and that we
may share our joy with all we meet.
Let us pray to the Lord.**

Hear Us Lord.

**We pray for the church.
For Todd our bishop and the
Diocese we serve together. That
all parishes in Huron may find fresh
strength in the Easter gospel.
Let us pray to the Lord.**

Hear Us Lord.

That the risen one may provide for those who lack food, work, or shelter. For volunteers who, in loving and caring ways support the vulnerable. We pray that our new vision at HTSSM may participate with God in providing for those in our community. Let us pray to the Lord.

Hear Us Lord.

**That by the risen one's power,
wars and famine may cease
through all the earth. We pray for
peace in the Middle East, peace in
Ukraine and peace for wherever
conflict occurs.**

Let us pray to the Lord.

Hear Us Lord.

That the risen one may reveal a holy light to the sick, the weak, and the dying, that they may be comforted and strengthened. We pray for those on our prayer list especially today: *Kyra, Josie S., Jessica W., Diane L., Ed N., and Mary G.*

Let us pray to the Lord.

Hear Us Lord.

**That the fire of the Holy Spirit may
fall upon all people, that we may
bear faithful witness to the
resurrection.**

Let us pray to the Lord.

Hear Us Lord.

Living God, long ago, faithful women proclaimed the good news of Jesus' resurrection, and the world was changed forever. Teach us to keep faith with them, that our witness may be as bold, our love as deep, and our faith as true.

Amen

Confession and Absolution

Celebrant: **Dear friends in Christ,
God is steadfast in love
and infinite in mercy;
God welcomes sinners
and invites them to this table.
Let us confess our sins,
confident in God's forgiveness.**

Celebrant: **Most merciful God,**

People: **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;**

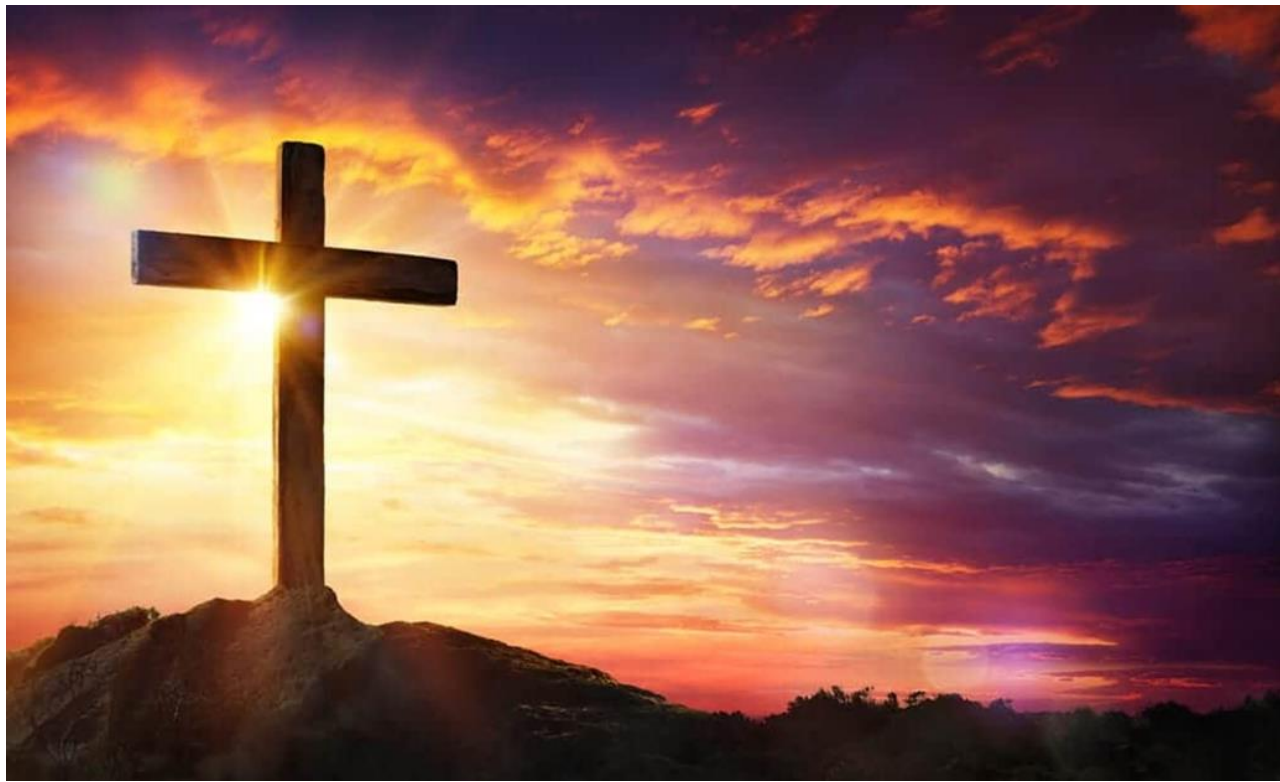
we have not loved

our neighbours as ourselves.

**We are truly sorry
and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
Have mercy on us and forgive us,
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your name.
Amen.**

Celebrant: **Almighty God**
have mercy upon you,
pardon and deliver you
from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you
in all goodness,
and keep you in eternal life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: **Amen.**



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

People: **And also with you.**



Peace Like A River

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Verse 1

**I've got peace like a river,
I've got peace like a river,
I've got peace like a river in my soul.
I've got peace like a river,
I've got peace like a river,
I've got peace like a river in my soul.**

Other Verses

**I've got love like an ocean...
I've got joy like a fountain...
I will sing Alleluia...**



Receiving the gifts of money and other gifts for the needs and responsibilities of the Church.





Altar Flowers

The flowers for the Altar today
are given to the *Glory of God* by
Norma Near in memory of
Family and Friends.

Prayer Over The Gifts

Gracious God, you show us your way and give us your divine life. May everything we do be directed by the knowledge of your truth. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord.

Amen.

Do This
In Remembrance
of Me



Eucharistic Prayer # 1

Celebrant: **The Lord 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.**

Celebrant: **It is indeed right
that we should
praise you, gracious God,
for you created all things.
You formed us in your own image:
wonderfully you created us.
When we turned away from you in
sin, you did not cease to care for us,**

**but opened a path of salvation
for all people.**

**You made a covenant with Israel,
and through your servants
Abraham and Sarah
gave the promise of a blessing
to all nations.**

**Through Moses
you led your people
from bondage into freedom;
through the prophets
you renewed your promise
of salvation.**

**Therefore, with them,
and with all your saints
who have served you
in every age,
we give thanks
and raise our voices
to proclaim the glory
of your name.**

Hymn 732 Holy Holy Holy (Eucharist)

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord

God of power and might,

Heaven and earth are full of your glory

Hosanna in the highest,

Hosanna in the highest.

**Blest, the One who comes in the name
of the Lord.**

Hosanna in the highest,

Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant: **Holy God, source of life
and goodness, all creation
rightly gives you praise.**

**In the fullness of time,
you sent your Son Jesus Christ,
to share our human nature,
to live and die as one of us,
to reconcile us to you,
the God and Father of all.**

**He healed the sick
and ate and drank
with outcasts and sinners;
he opened the eyes of the blind
and proclaimed the good news
of your kingdom
to the poor and to those in need.
In all things
he fulfilled your gracious will.**

**On the night he freely
gave himself to death,
our Lord Jesus Christ took bread,
and when he had
given thanks to you,
he broke it,
and gave it to his disciples,
and said,**

**“Take, eat:
this is my body
which is given for you.**

**Do this
for the remembrance of me.”**

**After supper
he took the cup of wine;
and when he had given thanks,
he gave it to them,
and said,**

**“Drink this, all of you:
this is my blood
of the new covenant,
which is shed for you
and for many
for the forgiveness of sins.**

**Whenever you drink it, do this
for the remembrance of me.”**

**Gracious God,
his perfect sacrifice
destroys
the power of sin and death;**

**By raising him to life
you give us life forever more.**

**Therefore we proclaim
the mystery of faith:**

All: **Christ has died.**

Christ is risen.

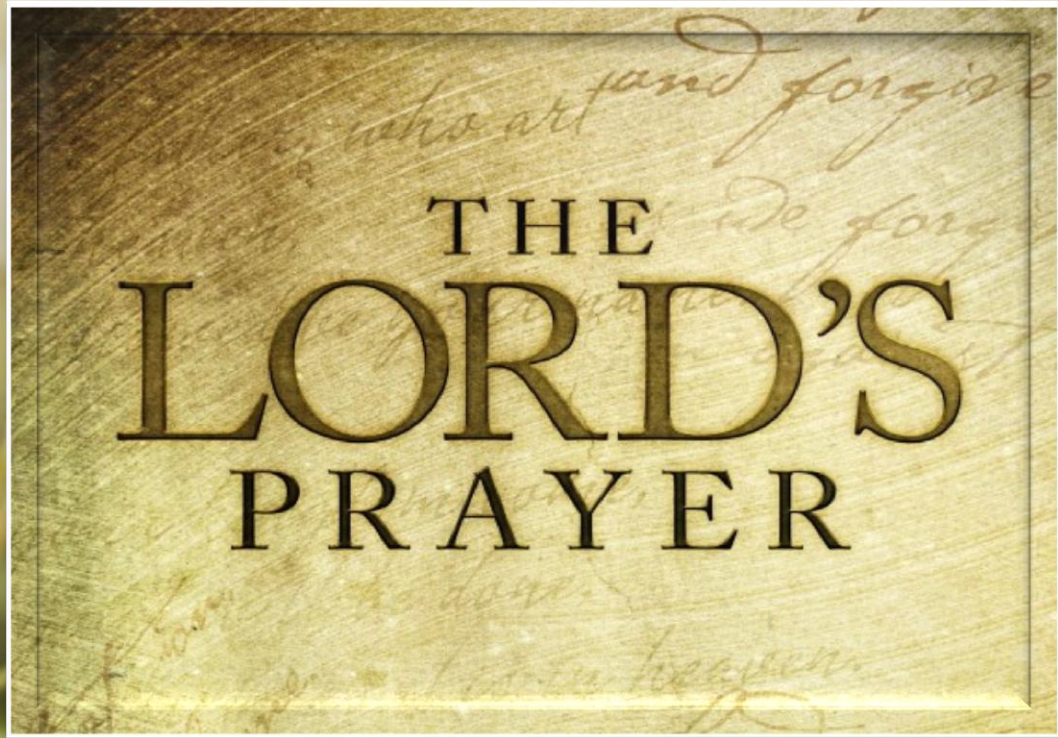
Christ will come again.

Celebrant: **Recalling his death,
proclaiming
his resurrection,
and looking for his coming
again in glory,
we offer you, Father,
this bread and this cup.**

**Send your Holy Spirit
upon us and upon these gifts,
that all who eat and drink
at this table
may be one body
and one holy people,
a living sacrifice
in Jesus Christ, our Lord.**

**Through Christ,
with Christ,
and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory is yours,
almighty Father,
now and for ever.**

People: **Amen.**



Lord's Prayer

(Songs of a Gospel People)

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 them,
that 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**

Breaking of the Bread #8 ~ Easter Season

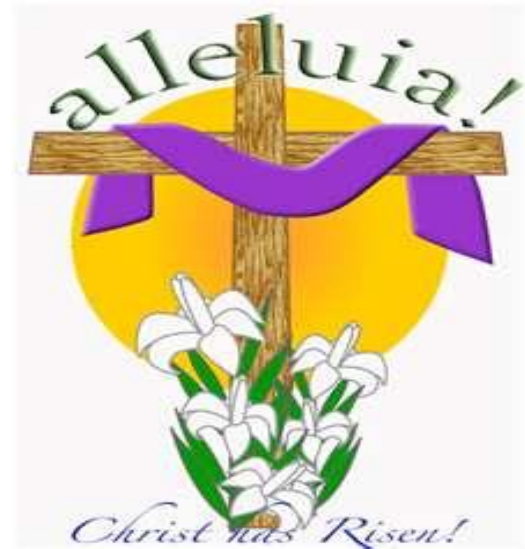
Celebrant: **Lord, we died with you
on the cross.**

All: **Now we are raised to new life.**

Celebrant: **We were buried in your tomb.**

All: **Now we share in your
resurrection.**

Celebrant: **Live in us, that we
may live in you.**





**The gifts of God,
for the
People of God.**

People: **Thanks be to God.**

*Lamb of
God
(JMT)*



Verse 1

Cantor: **Lamb of God,
you take away
the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

All: **Lamb of God,
you take away
the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

Verse 2

Cantor: **Lamb of God,
you take away
the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

All: **Lamb of God,
you take away
the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

Verse 3

Cantor: **Lamb of God,
you take away
the sin of the world
grant us grant us peace.**

All: **Lamb of God,
you take away
the sin of the world,
grant us grant us peace.**





COME
Gather
AT OUR TABLE

**ALL ARE WELCOME AT THE TABLE,
IT IS JESUS WHO INVITES YOU.**

**Please allow personal distance when
approaching to receive the sacrament.**

**If you do not wish to receive the wafer,
please cross your arms in front of your
chest to receive God's blessing.**

Gluten free wafers are available.

Communion Hymn



" I am the bread of life.
He who comes to me
will never go hungry,



*I Am The Bread, The Bread of Life.
Book of Common Praise 56*

Verse 1

**I am the bread, the bread of life;
Who comes to me will never hunger.
I am the bread, the bread of heaven;
Who feeds on me will never die.
And as you eat remember me
My body broken on the tree:
My life was given to set you free,
And I'm alive for evermore.**

Verse 2

**I am the vine, the living vine;
Apart from me you can do nothing.**

I am the vine, the real vine;

Abide in me and I in you.

**And as you drink, remember me
My blood was shed upon the tree:
My life was given to set you free,
And I'm alive for evermore.**

Verse 3

**So eat this bread,
and drink this wine,
And as you do,
receive this life of mine.
All that I am, I give to you,
That you may live for evermore.**



We Say Together the Prayer After Communion:

**God of love, in this eucharist we
have heard your truth and shared
in your life. May we always walk
in your way, in the name of
Jesus Christ the Lord.
Amen.**

The Doxology (sung)

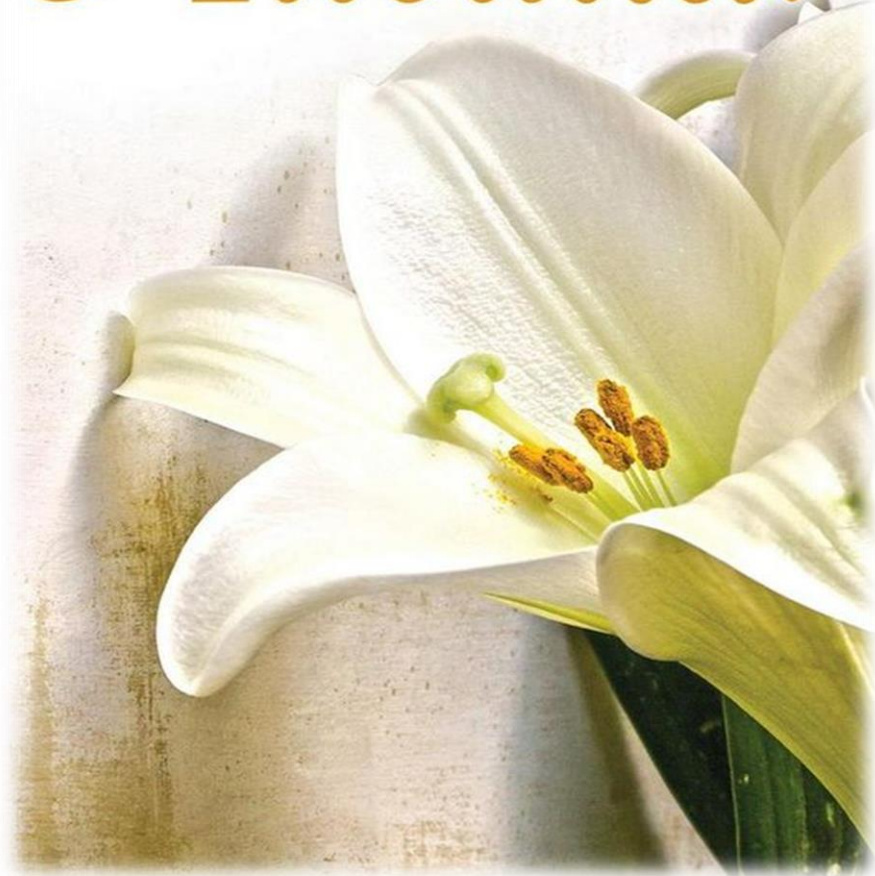
**Praise God, from whom
all blessings flow.**

Praise him, all creatures here below.

Praise him above, ye heavenly hosts.

**Praise Father, Son,
and Holy Ghost.**

Alleluia!



**THE
BLESSING**

Book of Common Praise 486

*Love Divine,
All Loves Excelling*

Verse 1

**Love divine, all love's excelling,
Joy of heaven, to earth come down,
Fix in us Thy humble dwelling,
All Thy faithful mercies crown:**

Verse 2

**Jesus, Thou art all compassion,
Pure, unbounded love Thou art;
Visit us with Thy salvation,
Enter every trembling heart.**

Verse 3

**Come, almighty to deliver,
Let us all Thy grace receive;
Suddenly return, and never,
Never more Thy temples leave.**

Verse 4

**Thee we would be always blessing.
Serve Thee as Thy hosts above,
Pray, and praise Thee without
ceasing,
Glory in Thy perfect love.**

Verse 5

**Finish, then, Thy new creation:
Pure and spotless let us be;
Let us see Thy great salvation,
Perfectly restored in Thee,**

Verse 6

**Changed from glory into glory,
Till in heaven we take our place,
Till we cast our crowns before Thee,
Lost in wonder, love, and praise.**





Alleluia

The Dismissal

I'm Gonna
Sing
when the Spirit
says Sing

Verse 1

**I'm gonna sing
when the Spirit says sing!**

**I'm gonna sing
when the Spirit says sing!**

**I'm gonna sing
when the Spirit says sing!
and obey the Spirit of the Lord.**

Verse 2

**I'm gonna shout
when the Spirit says shout!**

**I'm gonna shout
when the Spirit says shout!**

**I'm gonna shout
when the Spirit says shout!
and obey the Spirit of the Lord.**

Verse 3

**I'm gonna preach
when the Spirit says preach!**

**I'm gonna preach
when the Spirit says preach!**

**I'm gonna preach
when the Spirit says preach!
and obey the Spirit of the Lord.**

Verse 4

**I'm gonna pray
when the Spirit says pray!**

**I'm gonna pray
when the Spirit says pray!**

**I'm gonna pray
when the Spirit says pray!
and obey the Spirit of the Lord.**

Verse 5

**I'm gonna sing
when the Spirit says sing!**

**I'm gonna sing
when the Spirit says sing!**

**I'm gonna sing
when the Spirit says sing!
and obey the Spirit of the Lord.**



Thank you for worshipping with us!

I am the vine;
you are the
branches. - Jesus

Alleluia!

Hope you join us again next week!