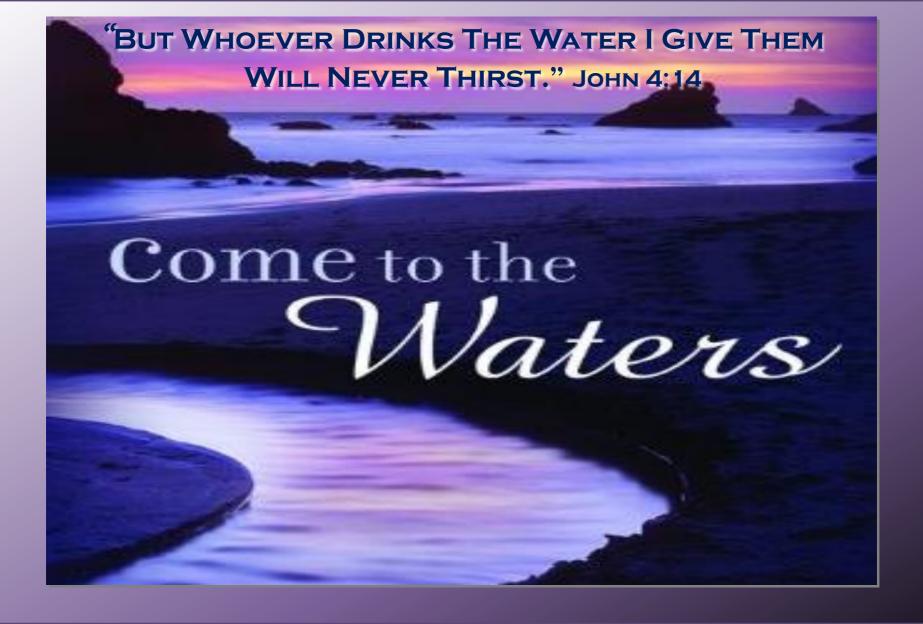
# Welcome to The Parish of

Holy Trinity St. Stephens Anglican Memorial Church



for spring



#### Verse 1

# <u>Leader</u>

For everyone who thirsts
Here is an end to hunger
And everyone who labours
All you who have no money

# Group

Come to the waters
Come to the feast
Come to the waters
Come to the feast

# **Refrain**

<u>Group</u>

For this is life

For this is life

For this is life

<u>Leader</u>

The waters of the Jordan

The waters of your birth

The waters that renew you

All

# Come to the feast, oh Come to the feast

#### Verse 2

#### <u>Leader</u>

For everyone who saves
Hear me and share the
riches
And everyone who mourns
Now is an end to sadness

# <u>Group</u>

Come to the waters
Come to the feast
Come to the waters
Come to the feast

# <u>Refrain</u>

<u>Group</u> <u>Leader</u>

For this is life The streams from joy and gladness

For this is life The rains that bring you life

For this is life 
The waters that restore you

Ali

# Come to the feast, oh Come to the feast

#### Verse 3

#### Leader

And all who are oppressed
This is the feast of justice
And you, the lost and broken
This is the feast of healing

# <u>Group</u>

Come to the waters
Come to the feast
Come to the waters
Come to the feast

# <u>Refrain</u>

<u>Group</u>

For this is life

For this is life

For this is life

<u>Leader</u>

To die and rise in Jesus

To share the life of Christ

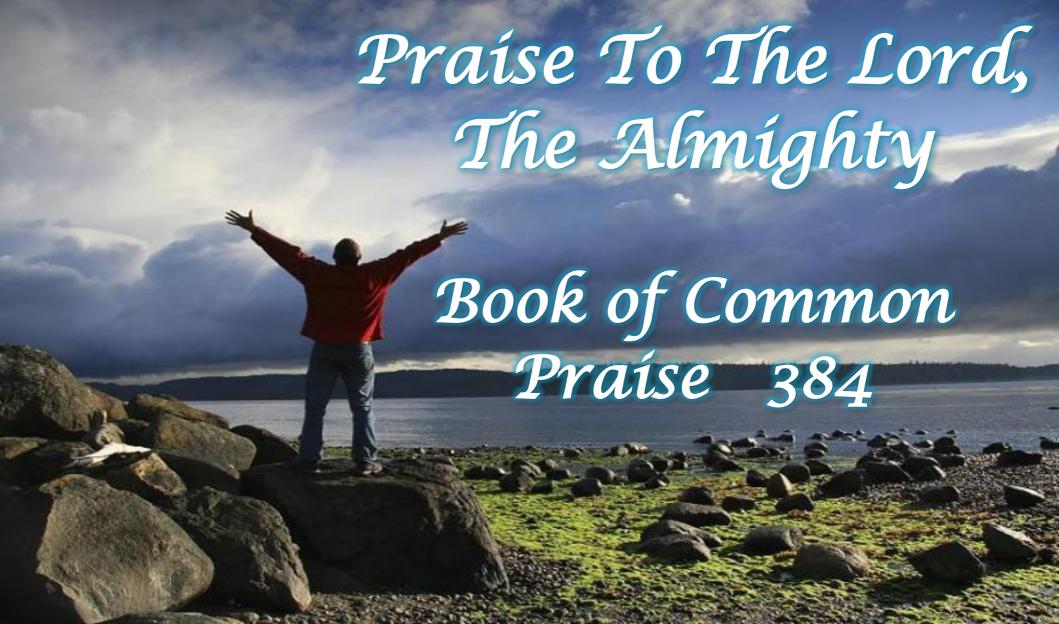
The bread and wine of justice

All

Come to the feast, oh Come to the feast (Slow) Come to the feast!







#### Verse 1

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, The King of creation! O my soul, praise him, For he is thy health and salvation! All ye who hear, **Brothers and sisters draw near;** praise him in glad adoration.

#### Verse 6

Praise to the Lord, O let all that is in me adore him! All that hath life and breath, Come now with praises before him. Let the amen Sound from his people again, Gladly for aye we adore him.



# THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

# Celebrant:

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, And the love of God, And the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, Be with you all.

People: And also with you.

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.



Trisagion – Hymn #707

# Trisagion (said 3 times)

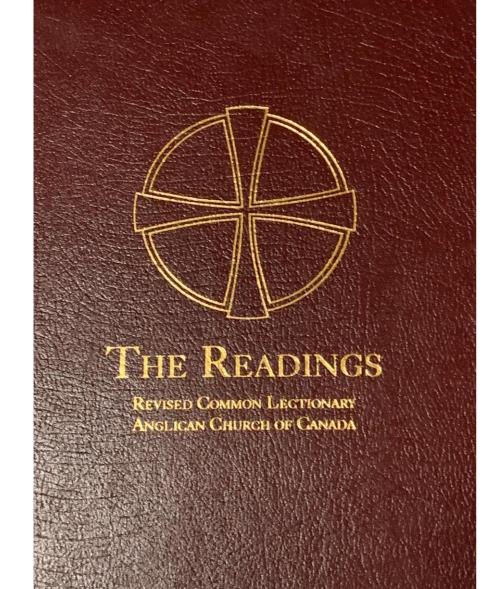
Holy God, holy and mighty, holy immortal one, have mercy upon us.

Repeat twice

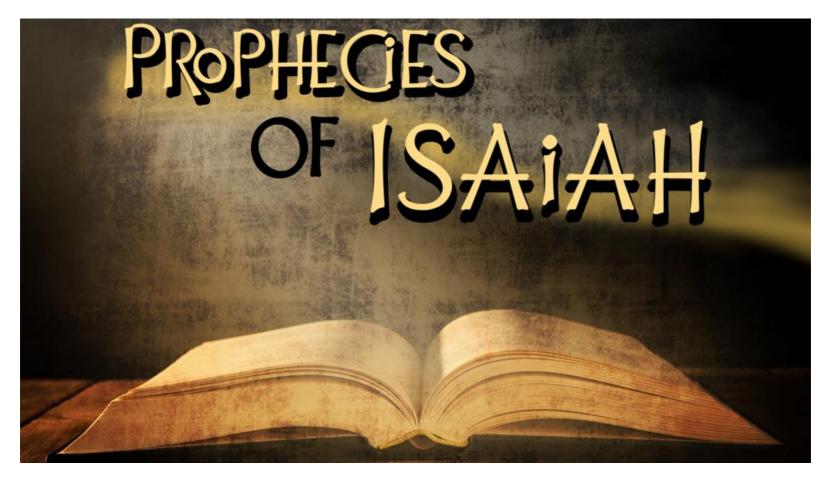
# We say together the Collect for today:

Father of mercy, alone we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves. When we are discouraged by our weakness, strengthen us to follow Christ, our pattern and our hope;

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



# <u>The Proclamation</u> <u>of the Word</u>



A Reading from the Book of Isaiah (55:1-9)

# Isaiah 55:1-9

Ho, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you that have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy?

Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live. I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David.

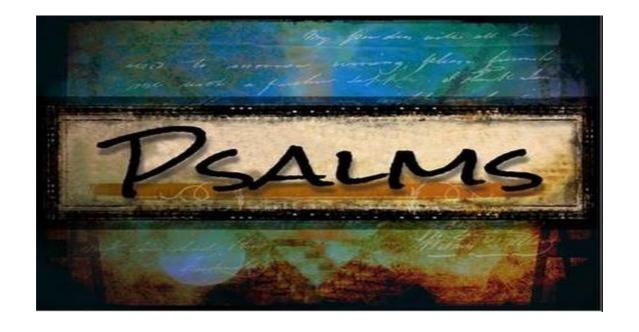
See, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. See, you shall call nations that you do not know, and nations that do not know you shall run to you, because of the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you.

Seek the LORD while he may be found, call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake their way, and the unrighteous their thoughts; let them return to the LORD, that he may have mercy on them, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the LORD. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.



Psalm 63 (Psalms for All Seasons)

# **Refrain:**

"My soul thirsts for God, the living God."
My soul thirsts for God, the living God."

#### Psalm 63 (Psalms for All Seasons)

O God, you are my God; eagerly I seek you! My soul thirsts for you, my flesh faints for you, as in a dry land where there is no water.

Therefore I have gazed upon you in your holy place; that I might behold your power and your glory.

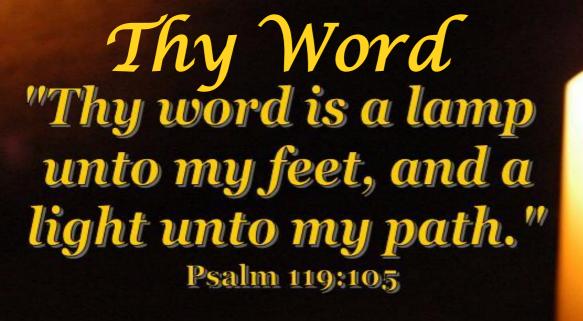
My soul thirsts for God, the living God. My soul thirsts for God, the living God. Psalm 63 (Psalms for All Seasons)

For your steadfast love is better than life itself; my lips shall give you praise. So I will bless you as long as I live and lift up my hands in your name.

My soul thirsts for God, the living God. My soul thirsts for God, the living God. Psalm 63 (Psalms for All Seasons)

For you have been my helper and under the shadow of your wings I will rejoice. My whole being clings to you. Your right hand holds me fast.

My soul thirsts for God, the living God. My soul thirsts for God, the living God.



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# 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 Luke.

People: Glory to you,

**Lord Jesus Christ.** 

### Luke 13:1-9

At that very time there were some present who told him about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. He asked them, "Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans?

Luke 13:1-9-1/4

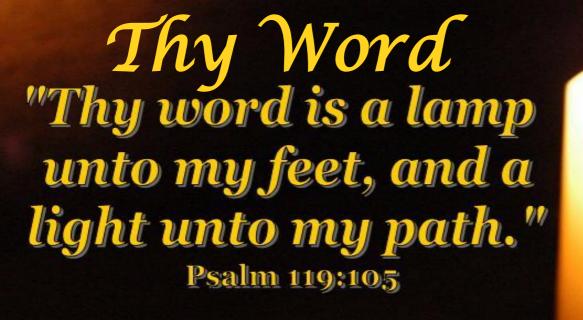
No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen who were killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them -- do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others living in Jerusalem? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish just as they did." Luke 13:1-9-2/4

Then he told this parable: "A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. So he said to the gardener, 'See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?'

He replied, 'Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig around it and put manure on it. If it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down."

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



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## The Homily: Rev. Rob Henderson





Prayers of the People

#### *Third Sunday in Lent – Year C*

# In this holy season, let us turn to God in prayer saying:

For the holy people of God; that we may heed the God who calls us to repentance in the events of our lives, let us pray to the Lord.

For this nation and all nations of the world especially remembering Ukraine and all who seek refuge from war, may we live in harmony and peace, let us pray to the Lord.

For the enslaved in body or in spirit, that God may come to rescue them and grant them freedom, let us pray to the Lord.

For this community, that during this holy season God's grace may produce in us the fruit God seeks, let us pray to the Lord.

For our own needs and those of others, that God will not allow us to be tested beyond our strength, let us pray to the Lord.

God; ever faithful and true; from of old you have revealed yourself as one who will be with your people to save them. Be with us in these times of need now and always. We ask this through Christ our Lord.



### 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.

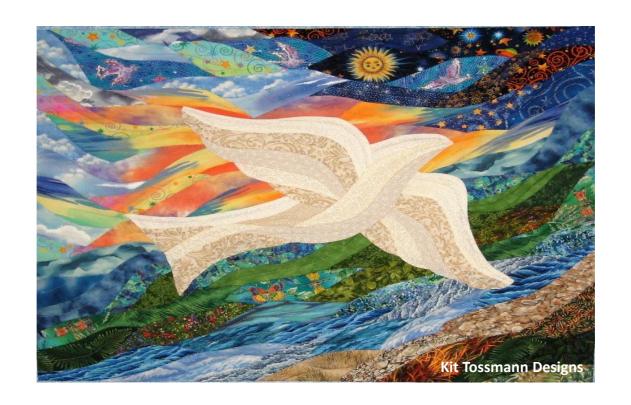
Celebrant: Most merciful God,

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:



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

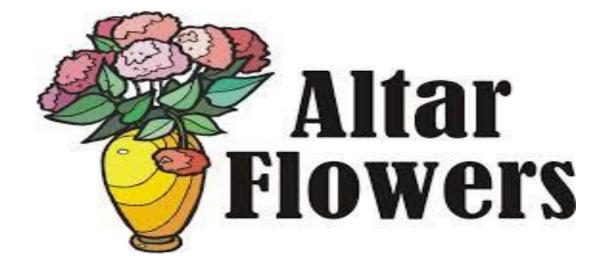
People: And also with you.

# Offertory Hymn



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





The flowers for the Altar today are given to the Glory of God by Agnes Comeau in loving memory of her husband George.

### Prayer Over The Gifts

Gracious God, we know your power to triumph over weakness. May we who ask forgiveness be ready to forgive one another, in the name of Jesus the Lord. Amen.



Eucharistic
Prayer
#2

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:

We give you thanks and praise, almighty God, through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Redeemer. He is your living Word, through whom you have created all things.

By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh of the Virgin Mary and shared our human nature. He lived and died as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

In fulfilment of your will he stretched out his hands in suffering, to bring release to those who place their hope in you; and so he won for you a holy people.

He chose to bear our griefs and sorrows, and to give up his life on the cross, that he might shatter the chains of evil and death, and banish the darkness of sin and despair.

By his resurrection he brings us into the light of your presence.

Now with all creation we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

Hymn 722 Holy Holy (Eucharist) Holy, Holy Holy, Lord God of power and might, heaven and earth are full, full of your glory Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest, Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna Hosanna in the highest.

Holy and gracious God, Celebrant: accept our praise, through your Son our Saviour **Jesus Christ**; who on the night he was handed over to suffering and death,

took bread and gave you thanks, saying, "Take, and eat:

this is my body

which is broken for you."

In the same way he took the cup, saying,

"This is my blood

which is shed for you.

When you do this,

you do it in memory of me."

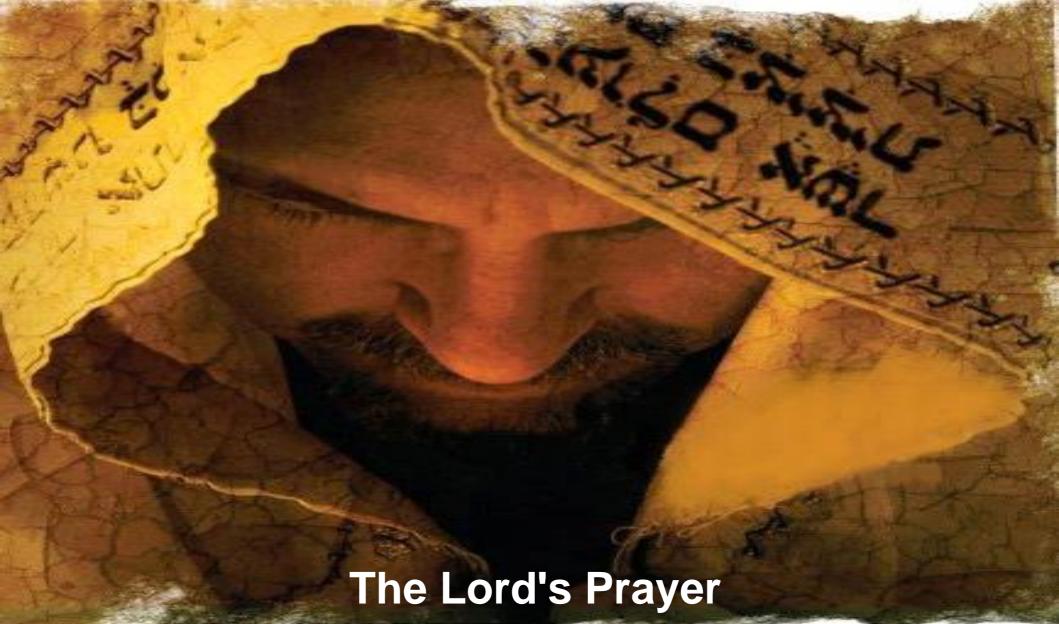
Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection, we offer you this bread and this cup, giving thanks that you have made us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

We ask you to send your Holy Spirit upon the offering of your holy Church.

**Gather into one** all who share in these sacred mysteries, filling them with the Holy Spirit and confirming their faith in the truth, that together we may praise you and give you glory through your Servant, Jesus Christ.

All glory and honour are yours, Father and Son, with the Holy Spirit in the holy Church, now and for ever.

People: Amen.



### The Lord's Prayer (Landry)

Cantor: Let us pray to God our Father in the way Jesus taught us to pray:

All: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, On earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Yours is the kingdom, And the power, and the glory, Now and for ever. Amen



Breaking of The Bread ~ Lent

Celebrant: We break this bread,
All: Communion in Christ's
body once broken.

Celebrant: Let your Church be the wheat

which bears its fruit in dying.

All: If we have died with him,
we shall live with him;
if we hold firm,
we shall reign with him.





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

# Please stay physically distanced when approaching to receive the sacrament.

After receiving your wafer, please step to the side and remove your mask to consume the bread and wine.

Gluten free wafers are available.

### Communion Hymn



We Say Together the Prayer After Communion: God of mercy and forgiveness, may we who share this sacrament live together in unity and peace, in the name of Jesus Christ, the Lord. Amen.

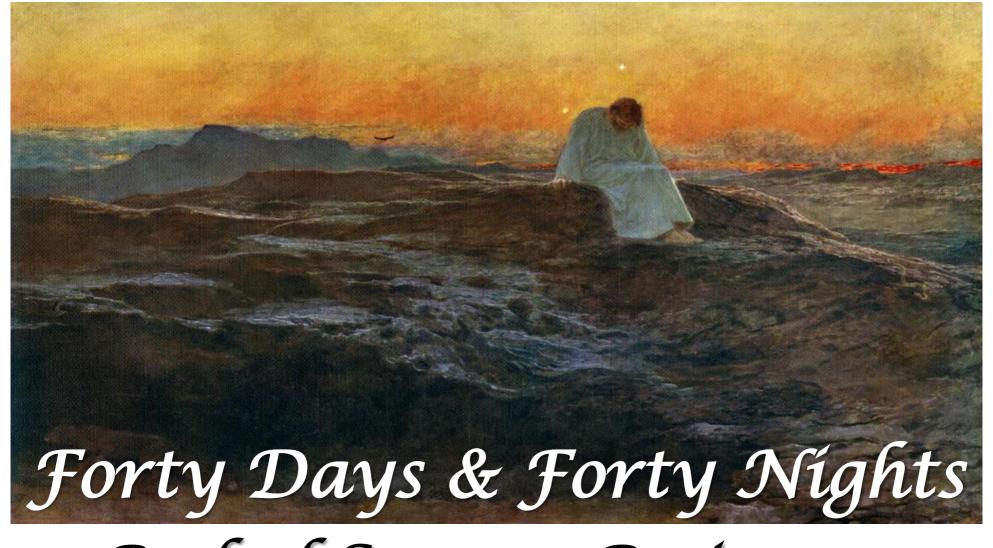
### The Doxology

Celebrant: Glory to God,

People: whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.



## THE BLESSING

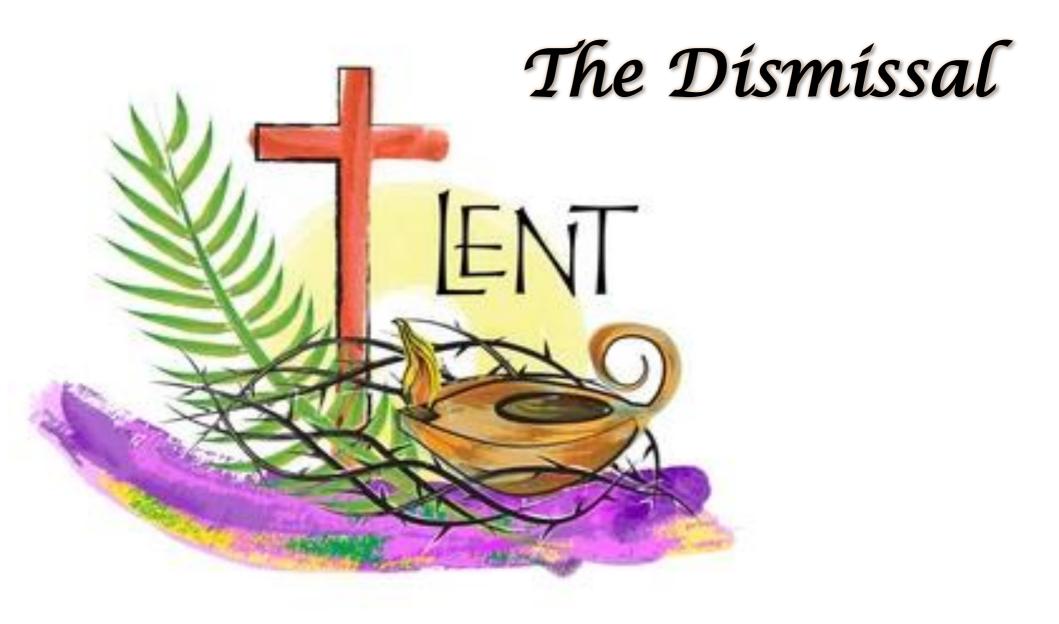


Book of Common Praise 175

Forty days and forty nights
You were fasting in the wild;
Forty days and forty nights
Tempted, and yet undefiled.

Shall not we Your trials share,
Learn Your discipline of will,
And with You by fast and prayer
Wrestle with the powers of hell.

Saviour, may we hear Your voice-Keep us constant at Your side; And with You we shall rejoice At the eternal Eastertide.





Seek First the Kingdom of Heaven

#### **Chorus**

Seek first the kingdom of Heaven,
And all the rest will fall in line.
Give God His due
And God will give back to you
And turn the water into wine.

Some men are money mad, Go about richly clad Seeking the rainbow's end I tell you God He will surely ditch All those among the rich Who have no poor man friend.

#### **Chorus**

Seek first the kingdom of Heaven,
And all the rest will fall in line.
Give God His due
And God will give back to you
And turn the water into wine.

Some men are neither nor, Life rushes by their door, Leaving them far behind. I tell you jump in and join the fight, Stand up for what is right, Serve God in mankind.

#### Chorus

Seek first the kingdom of Heaven,
And all the rest will fall in line.
Give God His due
And God will give back to you
And turn the water into wine.

**Repeat** 



