Welcome to The Parish of Holy Trinity St. Stephens

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 10TH, 2023

Fifteenth Sunday

AFTER PENTECOST

Eucharist #1



Oh What A Wonderful Gift

<u>Refrain</u>

Oh What a wonderful gift!
Oh What a wonderful gift!
God gives lives of hope and love,
Oh What a wonderful gift!

Arise your light has come!
The world in stillness lay,
To hear the songs that lit the night,
and Brought us Love's new day

Refrain

Oh What a wonderful gift!
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God gives lives of hope and love,
Oh What a wonderful gift!

For all that we receive, For all the love we hold We answer with our thanks to God, And share them with the world

Refrain

Oh What a wonderful gift!
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God gives lives of hope and love,
Oh What a wonderful gift!

So as we bring our gifts,
And offer them with prayer,
May we be people seeking
Peace and justice everywhere.

<u>Refrain</u>

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God gives lives of hope and love,
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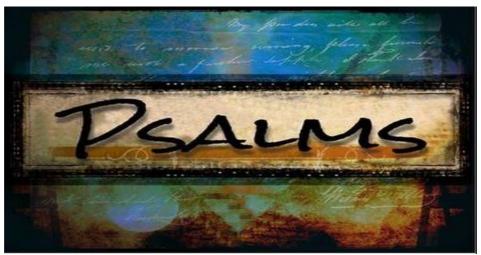


Greetings and Announcements:

Rev. Rob Henderson







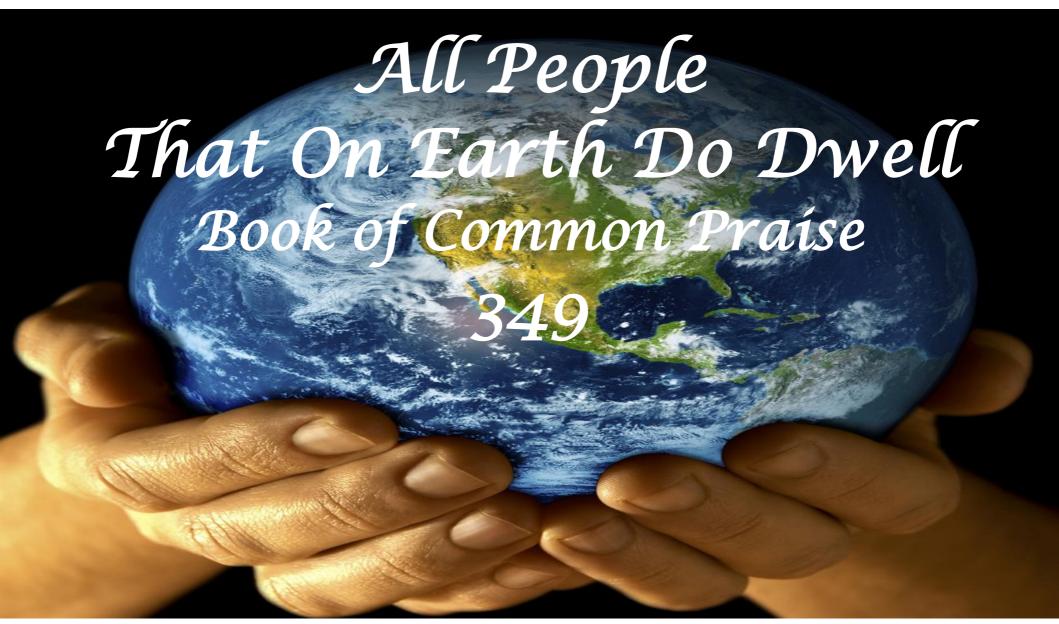
Psalm 149 (For All Seasons)

Refrain:

"Hallelujah, sing to God; Hallelujah praise the Lord"

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

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



All people that on earth do dwell, Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice: Him serve with mirth, his praise forth tell, Come ye before him and rejoice.

For why, the Lord our God is good,
His mercy is for ever sure;
His truth at all times firmly stood,
And shall from age to age endure.

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Celebrant:

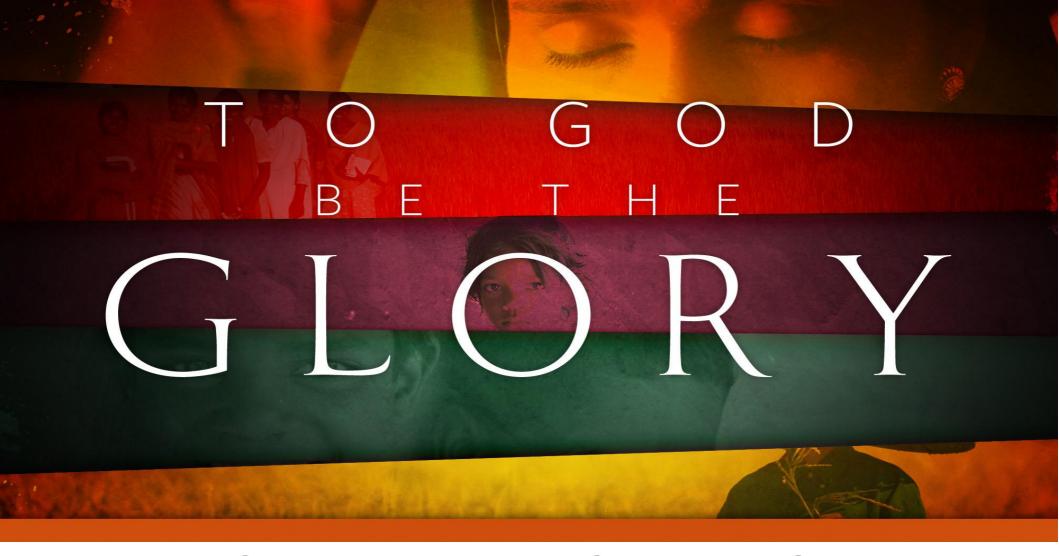
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, And the love of God, And the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, Be with you all.

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.



Glory Be to the Father

Chorus

Glory be to the Father, Glory be to the Son, Glory be to the Spirit, All Glory to our God.

We praise you, we bless you, We give you thanks. We praise you for your Glory. We praise you, we bless you, We worship you, Oh Lord, our God.

Chorus

Glory be to the Father, Glory be to the Son, Glory be to the Spirit, All Glory to our God.

Lord Jesus Christ,
Only Son of God.
You are One with the Father,
Receive our prayer.

Chorus

Glory be to the Father, Glory be to the Son, Glory be to the Spirit, All Glory to our God.

You alone are the holy One,
You alone are the Lord.
With the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God.

Chorus

Glory be to the Father, Glory be to the Son, Glory be to the Spirit, All Glory to our God.

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All Glory to our God.

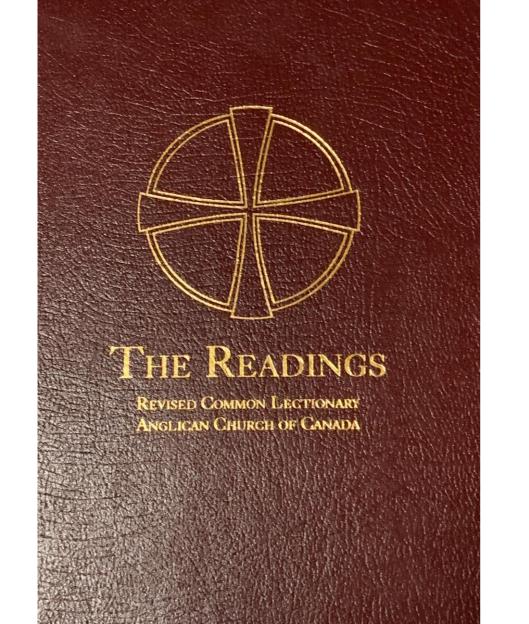


We say together the Collect for today:

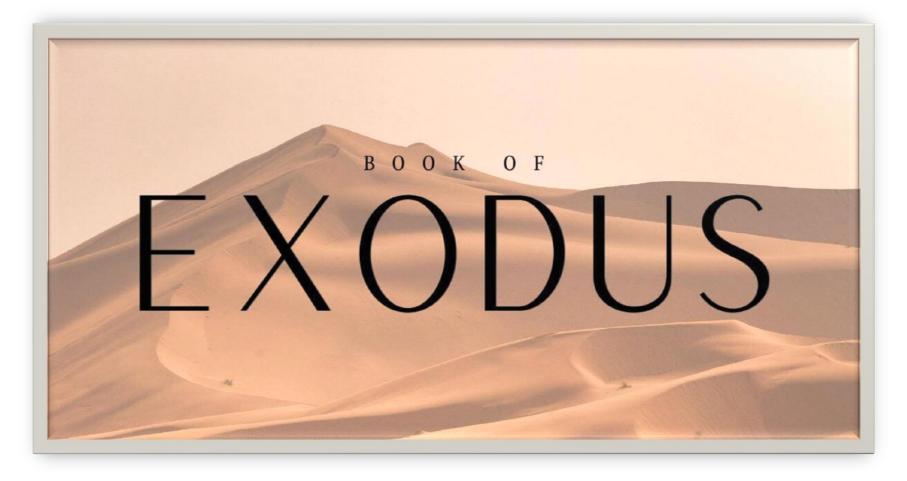
Stir up, O Lord, the wills of your faithful people, that richly bearing the fruit of good works, we may by you be richly rewarded;

through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen



The Proclamation of the Word



A Reading from the Book of Exodus

(12:1-14)

Exodus 12:1-14

The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family,

a lamb for each household. If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbor in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it. Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. Exodus 12:1-14-2/7

You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. They shall eat the lamb that same night: Exodus 12:1-14-3/7 they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs. You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn.

This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the passover of the LORD. For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt,

both human beings and animals; on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the LORD. The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt.

This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the LORD; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.



Psalm 149 (For All Seasons)

Refrain:

"Hallelujah, sing to God; Hallelujah praise the Lord" Psalm 149 (For All Seasons)

Hallelujah! Sing to the Lord a new song.

God's praise in the assembly of the faithful.

Let Israel rejoice in their maker; let the children of Zion be joyful in their ruler. Hallelujah, sing to God;

Hallelujah praise the Lord

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Psalm 149 (For All Seasons)

Let them praise their maker's name with dancing; let them sing praise with tambourine and harp.

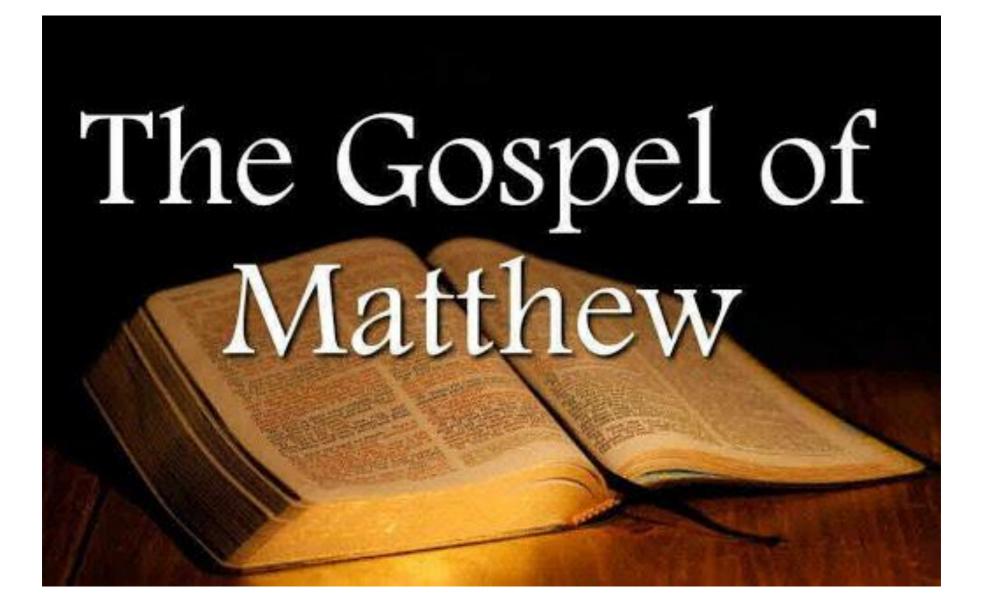
For the Lord takes pleasure in the people and adorns the poor with victory.

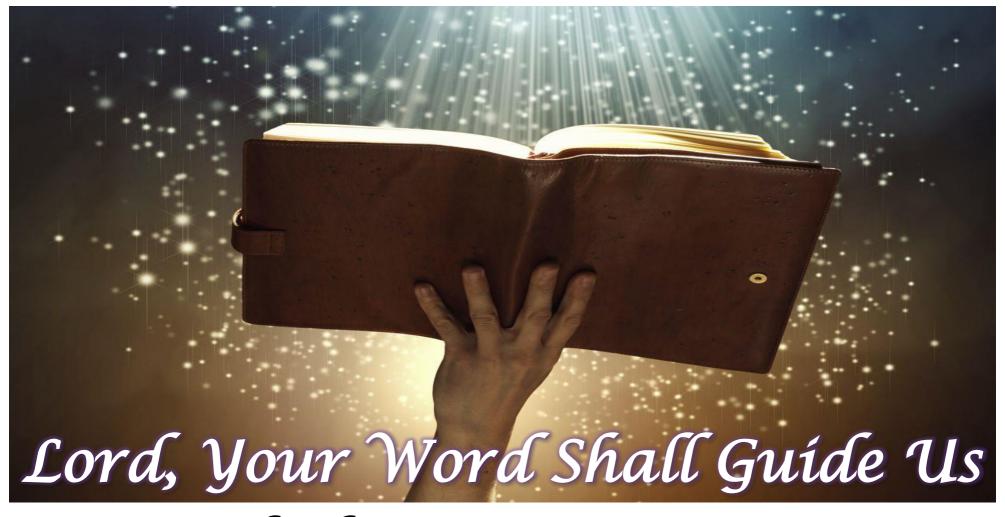
Hallelujah, sing to God; Hallelujah praise the Lord Psalm 149 (For All Seasons)

Let the faithful rejoice in triumph; let them sing for joy on their beds.

Let the praises of God be in their throat, and a two-edged sword be in their hands.

Hallelujah, sing to God; Hallelujah praise the Lord





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Lord, your word shall guide us And with truth provide us Teach us to receive it And with joy believe it

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 Matthew.

People: Glory to you,

Lord Jesus Christ.

Matthew 18:15-20

Jesus said, "If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you,

so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on

earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Word of mercy giving, courage to the living word of life, supplying comfort to the dying!





Homíly Rev. Rob Henderson

The Apostles' Creed

Celebrant: Let us confess
the faith of our baptism,
as we say,

People: 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. The Apostles' Creed 2/4

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.



Prayers of the People

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost - Year A

As followers of Jesus Christ, let us pray to God who loves us dearly, saying:

Hear Our Prayer.

Help us all in your Church to understand what it means to love and serve you. At times of testing, strengthen us, at unexpected or undeserved suffering, support us, at the end of our energy, revive us. God who is love.

Hear our prayer.

Have mercy on us for our misdirected use of times, money and the resources of creation. In the struggle against evil and sin, both our own sin and sin within the world around us, empower us so that justice and righteousness are established, upheld and celebrated. God who pardons. Hear our prayer.

Bring healing and wholeness to those who suffer today in body mind and spirit. We pray for the unhoused, those with mental anguish, the isolated. We pray for those on our prayer list, especially today: Terry, Solange H., Cavell, Karen C., and Dan. **God who restores us**

Hear our prayer.

Guide with your Spirit all those returning for another school year. We pray for students, teachers, school staff, bus drivers, crossing guards and parents who may be sending their children for the first time. God who is always present.

Hear our prayer.

Father, the full extent of your love for us is so much greater that we can ask or imagine, and in our love and thankfulness we off the praise of our lives. Accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our saviour Jesus Christ.

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.

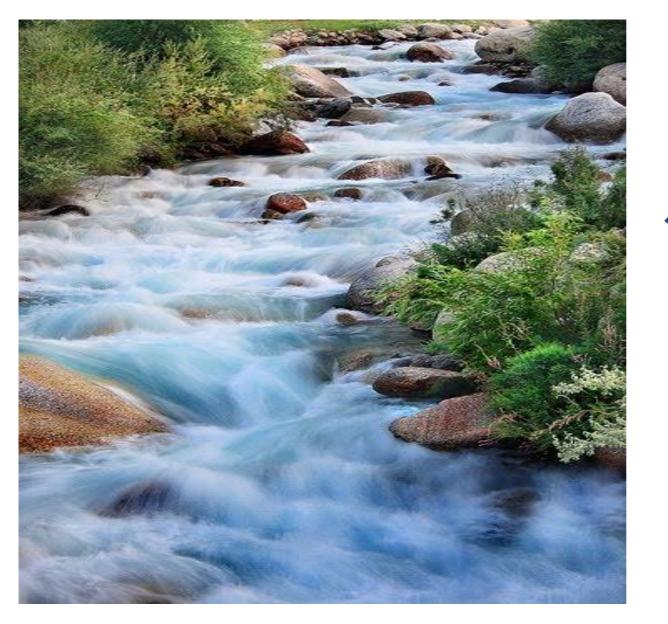
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, Have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

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:



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

People: And also with you.



Peace is Flowing Like A Ríver

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Peace is flowing like a river, Flowing out of you and me. Flowing out into the desert. Setting all the captives free

His love is flowing like a river, Flowing out of you and me. Flowing out into the desert. Setting all the captives free

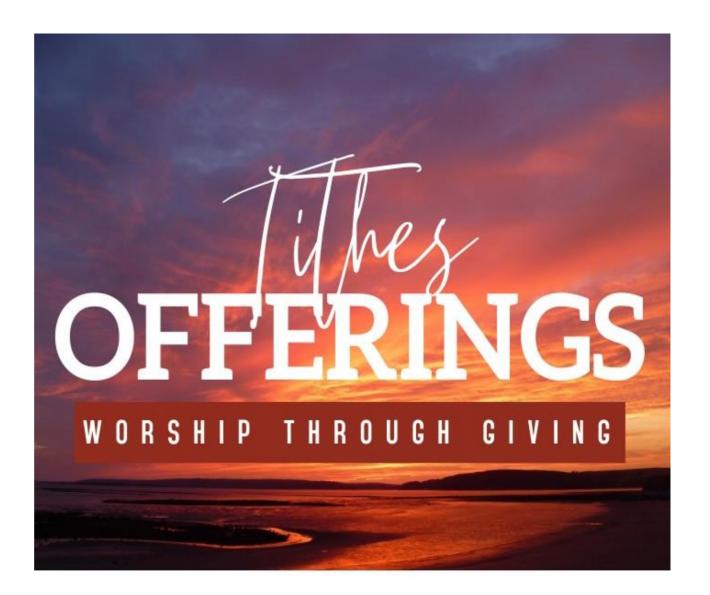
His healing's flowing like a river Flowing out of you and me. Flowing out into the desert. Setting all the captives free

Alleluia, Alleluia Alleluia, Alleluia Alleluia, Alleluia Alleluia, Alleluia

Peace is flowing like a river, Flowing out of you and me. Flowing out into the desert. Setting all the captives free



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



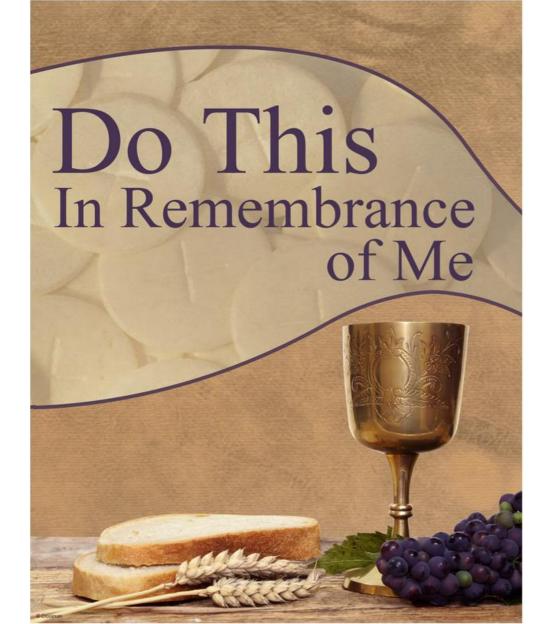


The flowers for the Altar today are given to the Glory of God by Ray & Carol Masters in memory of Loved Ones.

Prayer Over The Gifts

Great and holy God, accept our offering of labour and love. May we bring you true and spiritual worship and be one with you. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

Amen.



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.

It is indeed right Celebrant: 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, **Eucharistic Prayer 1-2/18**

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.

Holy, Holy, Holy (Dufford)
Holy, Holy, Holy Lord.
God of Power and Might
Heaven and Earth are full of your Glory.
Hosanna, Hosanna on high.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord Hosanna in the Highest, Hosanna in the Highest, Hosanna, Hosanna on High.

Holy God, source of life *Celebrant:* 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.

Recalling his death, Celebrant: 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.



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.

The Lord's Prayer-1/2

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 #1

Celebrant:



"I am the bread of life," says the Lord. "Whoever comes to me will never be hungry; whoever believes in me will never thirst."

People:

Taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are they who trust in him!





Cantor: Lamb of God,
You take away
the sins of the World,
have mercy on us.

All: Lamb of God,
You take away
the sins of the World,
have mercy on us. Lamb of God - 1/3

Cantor: Lamb of God,
You take away
the sins of the World,
have mercy on us.

All: Lamb of God,
You take away
the sins of the World,
have mercy on us. Lamb of God - 2/3

Cantor: Lamb of God,
You take away
the sins of the World,
grant us peace.

All: Lamb of God,
You take away
the sins of the World,
grant us peace.

Lamb of God - 3/3



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





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

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

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

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

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

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.



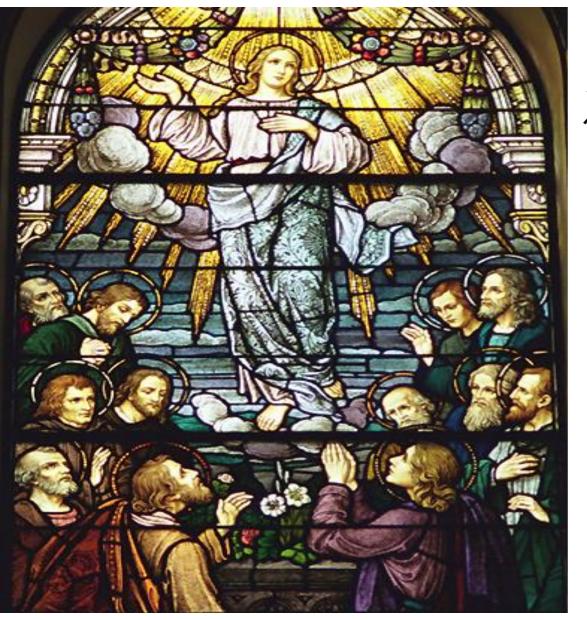
We Say Together the Prayer After Communion: Father, your word and sacrament give us food and life. May we who have shared in holy things bear fruit to your honour and glory, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

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.





Praise The Lord With The Sound Of Trumpet

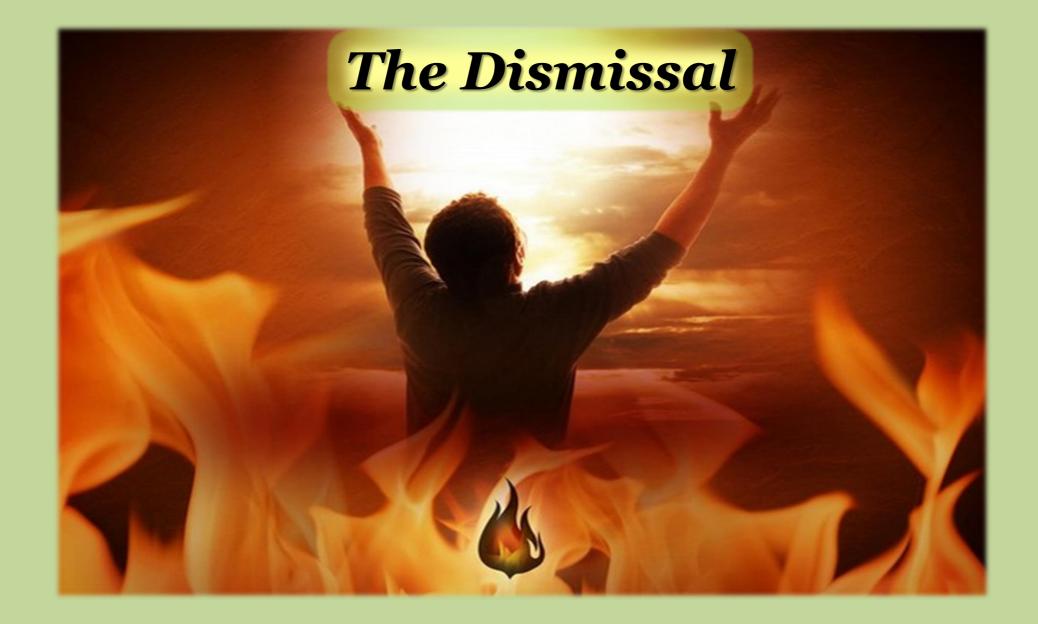
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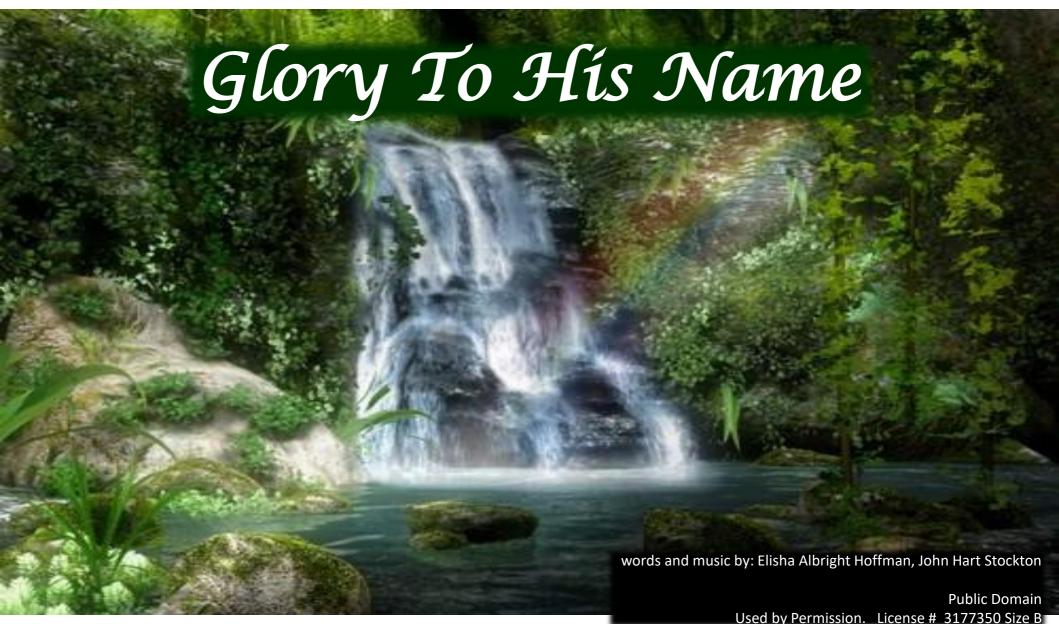
Praise the Lord with the sound of trumpet, Praise the Lord with the harp and lute, Praise the Lord With the gentle sounding flute. Praise the Lord in the field and forest, Praise the Lord in the city square, Praise the Lord anytime and anywhere.

Praise the Lord in the wind and sunshine, Praise the Lord in the dark of night, Praise the Lord in the rain or snow Or in the morning light. Praise the Lord in the deepest valley, Praise the Lord on the highest hill. **Praise the Lord;** Never let your voice be still.

Praise the Lord with the crashing cymbal, Praise the Lord with the pipe and string, Praise the Lord With the joyful songs you sing. Praise the Lord on a weekday morning, Praise the Lord on a Sunday noon, **Praise the Lord** By the light of sun or moon.

Praise the Lord in the time of sorrow, Praise the Lord in the time of joy, **Praise the Lord every moment;** Nothing let your praise destroy. Praise the Lord in the peace and quiet, Praise the Lord in your work and play, **Praise the Lord Everywhere in every way.**





Down at the cross where my Savior died, Down where for cleansing from sin I cried, There to my heart was the blood applied; **Glory to His Name!**

Glory To His Name-1/8

Chorus

Glory to His Name, **Glory to His Name:** There to my heart was the blood applied; **Glory to His Name!**

I am so wondrously saved from sin, Jesus so sweetly abides within, There at the cross where He took me in; **Glory to His Name! Glory To His Name-3/8**

Chorus

Glory to His Name, **Glory to His Name:** There to my heart was the blood applied; **Glory to His Name!**

Oh, precious fountain that saves from sin, I am so glad I have entered in; There Jesus saves me And keeps me clean; **Glory to His Name!**

Chorus

Glory to His Name, **Glory to His Name:** There to my heart was the blood applied; **Glory to His Name!**

Come to this fountain so rich and sweet, Cast thy poor soul at the Saviour's feet; Plunge in today, and be made complete; **Glory to His Name! Glory To His Name-7/8**

Chorus

Glory to His Name, **Glory to His Name:** There to my heart was the blood applied; **Glory to His Name!**

> (Repeat Chorus) (Tag)

Glory to His Name!



Thank you for worshipping with us!

BE FAITHFUL
IN THE

GOD BLESS YOU, GO WITH GOD