

# CHURCH OF THE GOOD SAMARITAN

Grow in Faith. Live in Hope. Share God's Love.

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The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost  
September 3, 2023 + 10:30 a.m.

## The Holy Eucharist

### Preparation for Worship in God's Name

#### PRAYER OF MEDITATION

*As the people gather before the service begins,  
we invite you to use the following prayer for meditation.*

Loving God, the source of strength and peace: Take from us all that inhibits the flow of your Spirit; break down the walls that separate us; with hands of compassion, wash away our fear, resentment, and hardness of heart; enable us to become centered and still, aware of your presence here and now, to heal and to transform. We pray in the spirit of Christ the Healer. Amen.

#### ORGAN VOLUNTARY

# The Liturgy of the Word

HYMN “God is love, let heaven adore him” *Remain standing; everyone sings.*



1. God is Love, let heaven a - dore him; God is Love, let earth re - joice;  
2. God is Love; and love en - folds us, all the world in one em - brace:  
3. God is Love; and though with blind - ness sin af - flicts all hu - man life,



let cre - a - tion sing be - fore him and ex - alt him with one voice.  
with un - fail - ing grasp God holds us, ev - ery child of ev - ery race.  
God's e - ter - nal lov - ing - kind - ness guides us through our earth - ly strife.



God who laid the earth's foun - da - tion, God who spread the heavens a - bove,  
And when hu - man hearts are break - ing un - der sor - row's i - ron rod,  
Sin and death and hell shall nev - er o'er us fi - nal tri - umph gain;



God who breathes through all cre - a - tion: God is Love, e - ter - nal Love.  
then we find that self - same ach - ing deep with - in the heart of God.  
God is Love, so Love for ev - er o'er the u - ni - verse must reign.

—Words: Timothy Rees (1874–1939), alt.

Music: *Abbot's Leigh*, Cyril Vincent Taylor (1907–1991)

ACCLAMATION AND COLLECT FOR PURITY *Remain standing.*

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

All: 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.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS *Remain standing; everyone sings.*

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and  
 peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al -  
 might-y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your  
 glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of  
 God, 4. you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us; 5. you are  
 seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer. 6. For  
 you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a -  
 lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the  
 glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

—Setting: Robert J. Powell ( b. 1932)

## COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

*Remain standing; silence is kept.*

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

## FIRST LESSON *Seated.*

A reading from the Book of Exodus (3:1–15).

Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, "I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up." When the LORD saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." Then he said, "Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." He said further, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God. Then the LORD said, "I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt." But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?" He said, "I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain." But Moses said to God, "If I come to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM." He said further, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'I AM has sent me to you.'" God also said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'The LORD, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you': This is my name forever, and this my title for all generations."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 105:1-6, 23-26, 45c



—Setting: Jerome Webster Meachen.

- 1 Give thanks to the LORD and call upon his Name; \*  
make known his deeds among the peoples.
- 2 Sing to him, sing praises to him, \*  
and speak of all his marvelous works.
- 3 Glory in his holy Name; \*  
let the ears of those who seek the LORD rejoice.
- 4 Search for the LORD and his strength; \*  
continually seek his face.
- 5 Remember the marvels he has done, \*  
his wonders and the judgments of his mouth,
- 6 O offspring of Abraham his servant, \*  
O children of Jacob his chosen.
- 23 Israel came into Egypt, \*  
and Jacob became a sojourner in the land of Ham.
- 24 The LORD made his people exceedingly fruitful, \*  
he made them stronger than their enemies;
- 25 Whose heart he turned, so that they hated his people, \*  
and dealt unjustly with his servants.
- 26 He sent Moses his servant, \*  
and Aaron whom he had chosen. Hallelujah!

## SECOND LESSON

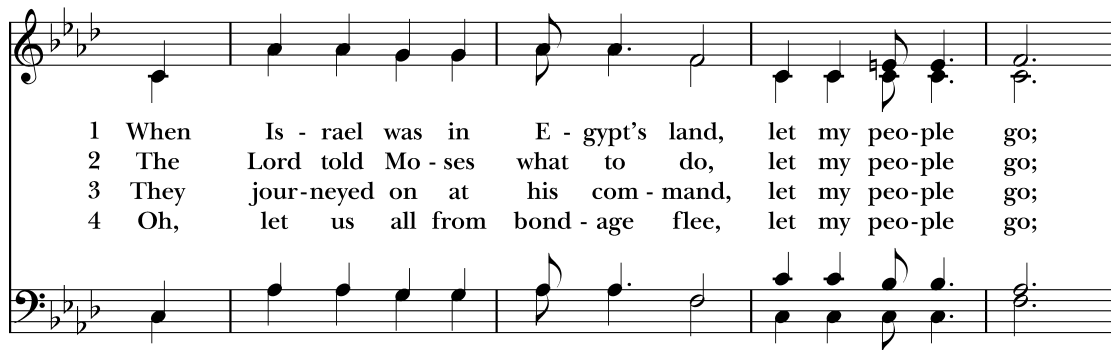
A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans (12:9–21).

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, “Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord.” No, “if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads.” Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

HYMN “When Israel was in Egypt’s land” *Standing, all who are able; everyone sings.*



1 When Is - rael was in E - gypt's land, let my peo-ple go;  
 2 The Lord told Mo - ses what to do, let my peo-ple go;  
 3 They jour-neyed on at his com - mand, let my peo-ple go;  
 4 Oh, let us all from bond - age flee, let my peo-ple go;

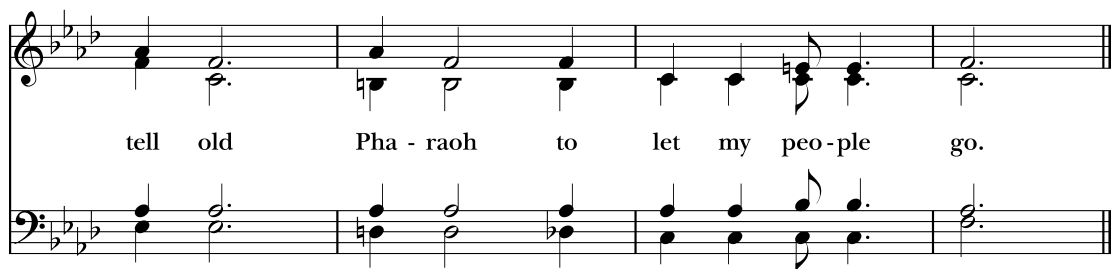


op - pressed so hard they— could not stand, let my peo-ple go.  
 to lead the chil-dren of Is - rael through, let my peo-ple go.  
 and came at length to— Ca - naan's land, let my peo-ple go.  
 and let us all in— Christ be free, let my peo-ple go.

*Refrain*



Go down, Mo - ses, way down in E - gypt's land;



tell old Pha - raoh to let my peo-ple go.

—Words: African-American spiritual.

Music: *Go Down, Moses*, Afro-American spiritual; arr. Horace Clarence Boyer (b. 1935).

## GOSPEL *Remain standing.*

Gospeler: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew (16:21–28).

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, “God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you.” But he turned and said to Peter, “Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.” Then Jesus told his disciples, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life? For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom.”

Gospeler: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

*Children may join Erin Keck for Children’s Chapel.  
They will return at the Peace.*

## SERMON

*A time for silent reflection follows the sermon.*



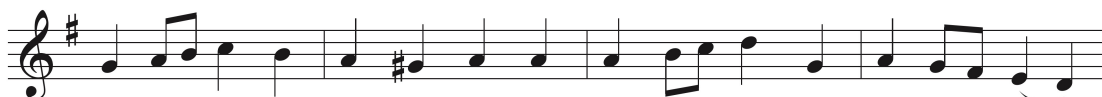
CREED *Standing—all who are able; everyone sings.*



- 1 We be - lieve in God al - might - y, Au - thor of all things that be,  
2 We be - lieve that Je - sus suf - fered, scourged and scorned and cru - ci - fied;  
3 We be - lieve in God's own Spir - it, bond - ing all the saints with-in



Mak - er of the earth and heav - ens, keep - er of the sky and sea.  
tak - en from the cross, was bur - ied, True Life there had tru - ly died.  
one church catho - lic, one church ho - ly, where for - give - ness frees from sin;



We be - lieve in God's Son Je - sus, now for us both Lord and Christ,  
We be - lieve that on the third day Christ was raised up from the grave,  
in the bo - dy's res - sur - rec - tion, for the break - ing of death's chain



of the Spir - it and of Mar - y, born to bring a - bun - dant life.  
then as - cend - ed to God's right hand. He will come a - gain to save.  
gives the life that's ev - er - last - ing. This the faith that we have claimed.

—Words: Sylvia G. Dunstan (1955–1993), alt.

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Music: *In Babilone*, melody from *Oude en Nieuwe Hollandse Boerenlities en Contradanseu*, 1710

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE *Remain standing.*

Leader: In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. *Silence.*

For all people in their daily life and work;

People: For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

Leader: For this community, the nation, and the world;

People: For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

Leader: For the just and proper use of your creation;

People: For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

Leader: For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

People: For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

Leader: For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

People: For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

Leader: For all bishops and other ministers;

People: For all who serve God in his Church.

Leader: For the special needs and concerns of this congregation: for those in the military, especially those who have been deployed; for the wider community of our families and friends; and for our parishioners who have asked our prayers. We pray for:

BEN and SARAH  
Alford/Sheppard

CONNIE & GEORGE  
DeWitt

FISHER Patrick  
ALLAN Philp

SHAROLYN Sprigg  
REBECCA Stapleton

ED Archer

DANA & DEWELL

MEGAN Quigley

LO Starck

ANNE Bender

Downey

MARILYN Randall

ALISA Ternes

J.D. & PEGGY Bradley

KAREN Downing

KRISSA Randolph

DENISE & ROGER Tivedo

BEVERLY Burns

DOUG Emblar

LIZ Rea

ALICE & FRED Wegmann

PETER Calvert

JOE Harrison

NANCYE Reeder

MICHELLE Welsh

DAN Conrad

MARGE Hudson

ALVIN Richards

and

GAIL Cox

ANN McClain

TOM Schlitt

GRADY Williams

MARY Davis

KENT Parish

*The people may add their own petitions.*

Leader: Hear us, Lord;

People: For your mercy is great.

Leader: We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. We give thanks for those who are celebrating birthdays and anniversaries. We will exalt you, O God our King;

People: And praise your Name for ever and ever.

Leader: We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom; and we remember their families and friends who grieve. We pray especially for the repose of the souls of Beverly Philp, longtime parishioner and wife of Allan Philp; and Elizabeth Littleton, father of Mary Davis.

*Silence.*

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

People: Who put their trust in you.

Leader: We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

*Silence is kept for a space.*

All: Have mercy on us, most merciful Father;  
in your compassion forgive us our sins,  
known and unknown,  
things done and left undone;  
and so uphold us by your Spirit  
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,  
to the honor and glory of your Name;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

**PEACE** *Standing, all who are able.*

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

People: And also with you.

*Greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** *Seated.*

## Holy Communion

### OFFERTORY

All that we are and all that we have comes from God. Let us offer our best to God in thanksgiving, remembering that God loves a cheerful giver. (*2 Corinthians 9:7*)

ANTHEM *Sung by the Choir.*

HYMN “Come, risen Lord” *Standing, all who are able; everyone sings.*

1 Come, ris - en Lord, and deign to be our guest; nay, let us be thy  
guests; the feast is thine; thy - self at thine own  
board make man-i - fest in thine own Sac-ra-ment of Bread and Wine.

—Words: George Wallace Briggs (1875-1959), alt.  
Music: Rosedale, Leo Sowerby (1895-1968)

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING *Remain standing.*

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 God thanks and praise.

Celebrant: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For through your Holy Spirit you have gifted us with power, love and truth; and through your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, who abolished death and brought life and light through the Gospel, you rekindle our hearts with faith and trust for service in your name. For through Jesus Christ you call us to set our minds on heavenly things, and you challenge us to sacrifice for the sake of your kingdom. By the power of the Holy Spirit you give us grace and strength to accomplish this work, and you promise to the faithful the reward of 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:

*Everyone sings:*

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

—Setting: From *A Community Mass*, Richard Proulx (1937–2010)

*The people stand or kneel.*

**Celebrant:** Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, 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 stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and 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.”

Celebrant: Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All: Christ has died.  
Christ is risen.  
Christ will come again.

Celebrant: We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

All: AMEN.

*Silence is kept as the ministers bow in thanksgiving.*

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

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 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. Everyone sings:*

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.

—Setting: From *New Plainsong*, David Hurd (b. 1950)

## INVITATION

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God, holy Gifts for God's holy People.  
Take them in remembrance that Christ lived and died and was raised for you,  
and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

## DURING COMMUNION

HYMN “Let us break bread together” *Everyone sings.*



1 Let us break bread to - geth-er on our knees; \_\_\_\_\_  
 2 Let us drink wine to - geth-er on our knees; \_\_\_\_\_



let us break bread to - geth-er on our knees; \_\_\_\_\_  
 let us drink wine to - geth-er on our knees; \_\_\_\_\_



*Refrain*

when I fall on my knees, with my face to the ris-ing sun,



O Lord, have mer-cy on me. \_\_\_\_\_



3 Let us praise God to - geth-er on our knees; \_\_\_\_\_



let us praise God to - geth-er on our knees; \_\_\_\_\_



*Refrain*

when I fall on my knees, with my face to the ris-ing sun,

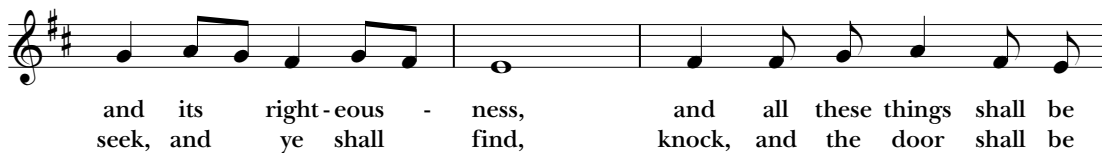


O Lord, have mer-cy on me. \_\_\_\_\_

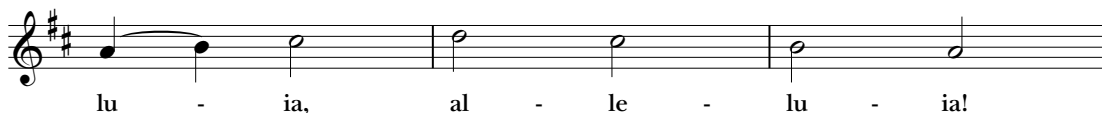
—Words and Music: *Let Us Break Bread*, African-American Spiritual



HYMN “Seek ye first the kingdom of God” *Everyone sings.*



*Refrain*



—Words: St. 1, Matthew 6:33; adapt. Karen Lafferty (20th cent.). St. 2, Matthew 7:7  
Music: *Seek Ye First*, Karen Lafferty (20th cent.)  
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**DOXOLOGY** *Standing, all who are able; everyone sings.*

Praise God from whom all bless - ings flow; praise God, all crea - tures here be -  
low; al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise God a - bove ye heaven - ly  
host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -  
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

— Words: Thomas Ken (1637-1711), with alleluias.

Music: *Lasst uns erfreuen*, melody from *Auserlesene Catholische Geistliche Kirchengesang*, 1623

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND MISSION** *Remain standing.*

Celebrant: Let us pray.

All: 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.

**SENDING OF THE EUCHARISTIC VISITOR** *Remain standing.*

Celebrant: In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that  
those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body  
and blood. We are who are many are one body,

People: Because we all share one bread, one cup.

BLESSING *Remain standing.*

HYMN “Take up your cross,’ the Savior said” *Standing, all who are able; everyone sings.*



- 1 Take up your cross, the Sa - vior said, if  
2 Take up your cross, let not its weight fill  
3 Take up your cross, heed not the shame, and  
4 Take up your cross, then, in his strength, and  
5 Take up your cross, and fol - low Christ, nor



- 1 you would my dis - ci - ple be; take up your cross with  
2 your weak spi - rit with a - larm; his strength shall bear your  
3 let your fool - ish heart be still; the Lord for you ac -  
4 calm - ly ev - ery dan - ger brave: it guides you to a -  
5 think till death to lay it down; for on - ly those who



- 1 will - ing heart, and hum - bly fol - low af - ter me.  
2 spi - rit up, and brace your heart, and nerve your arm.  
3 cept - ed death up - on a cross, on Cal - vary's hill.  
4 bun - dant life and leads to vic - tory o'er the grave.  
5 bear the cross may hope to wear the glo - rious crown.

—Words: Charles William Everest (1814–1877), alt.

Music: *Bourbon*, melody att. Freeman Lewis (1780–1859)

## DISMISSAL

Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
People: Thanks be to God.

## ORGAN VOLUNTARY



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