

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SAMARITAN

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

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

The Holy Eucharist

Preparation for Worship in God's Name

PRAYER OF MEDITATION

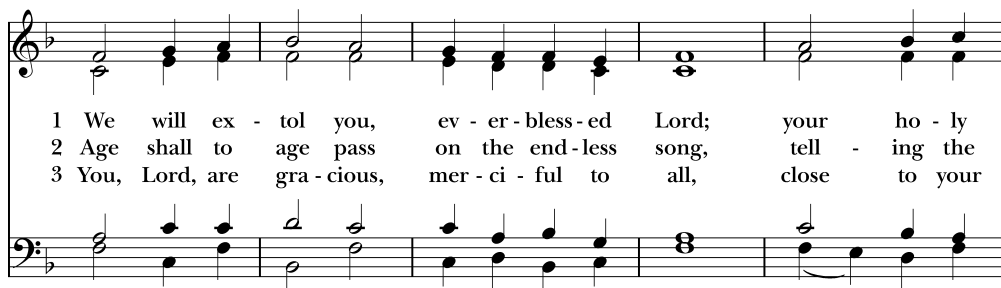
*As the people gather before the service begins,
we invite you to use the following prayer for meditation.*

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.

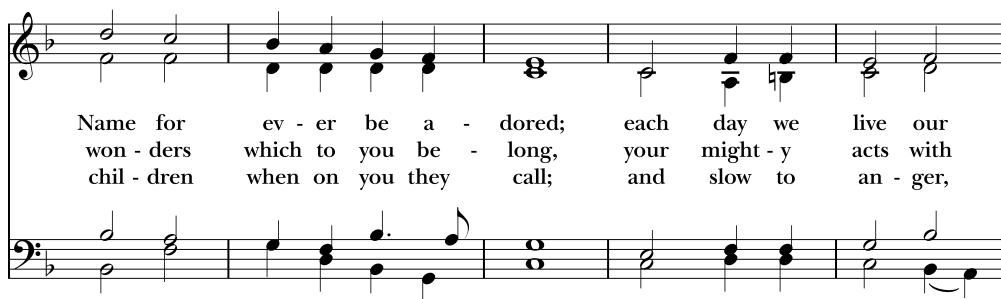
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The Liturgy of the Word

HYMN “We will extol you, ever-blessèd Lord” *Standing, all who are able.*



1 We will ex - tol you, ev - er - bless - ed Lord; your ho - ly
 2 Age shall to age pass on the end - less song, tell - ing the
 3 You, Lord, are gra - cious, mer - ci - ful to all, close to your



Name for ev - er be a - dored; each day we live our
 won - ders which to you be - long, your might - y acts with
 chil - dren when on you they call; and slow to an - ger,



psalm to you we raise; you, God and King, are wor - thy of all
 joy and fear re - late; praise we your glo - ry while on you we
 mer - ci - ful and kind, in your com - pas - sion we your bless - ings



praise, great and un - search - a - ble in all your ways.
 wait, glad in the know - ledge of your love so great.
 find. We love you with our heart and strength and mind.

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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.

KYRIE ELEISON *Remain standing; everyone sings responsively with the cantor.*

Cantor or Choir



Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. _____

All



Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. _____

Cantor or Choir



Chri - - ste e - le - i - son. _____

All



Chri - - ste e - le - i - son. _____

Cantor or Choir *All*



Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. _____ Ky - ri -



e e - le - i - son. _____

—Setting: McNeil Robinson (1943–2015)

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Remain standing; silence is kept.

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts: for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

FIRST LESSON *Seated.*

A reading from the Book of 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. 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; 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



—Setting: Jerome Webster Meachen.

- 1 Hallelujah! Sing to the Lord a new song; *
sing his praise in the congregation of the faithful.
- 2 Let Israel rejoice in his Maker; *
Let the children of Zion be joyful in their King.
- 3 Let them praise his Name in the dance; *
let them sing praise to him with timbrel and harp.
- 4 For the LORD takes pleasure in his people *
and adorns the poor with victory.
- 5 Let the faithful rejoice in triumph; *
let them be joyful on their beds.
- 6 Let the praises of God be in their throat *
and a two-edged sword in their hand;
- 7 To wreak vengeance on the nations *
and punishment on the peoples;
- 8 To bind their kings in chains *
and their nobles with links of iron;
- ‡ 9 To inflict on them the judgment decreed; *
this is glory for all his faithful people. Hallelujah!

SECOND LESSON

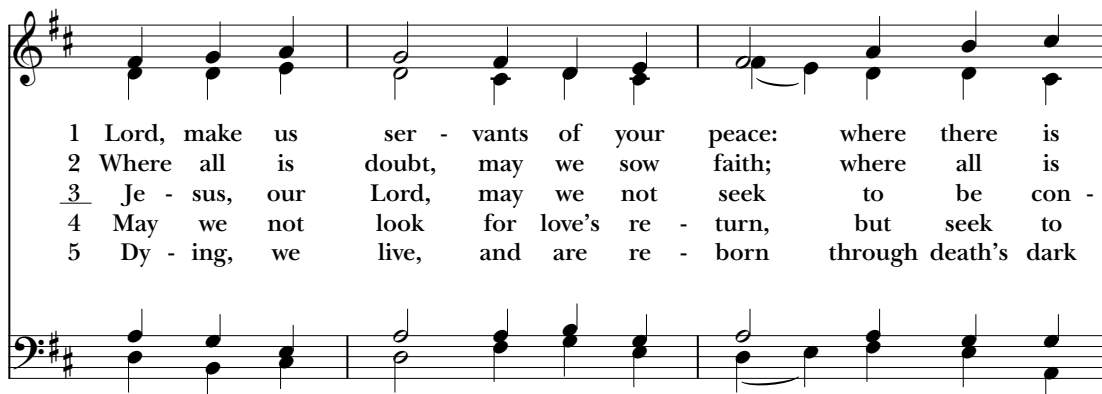
A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans (13:8–14).

Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, “You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet”; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, “Love your neighbor as yourself.” Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law. Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.


Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

HYMN “Lord, make us servants of your peace” *Everyone sings.*



1 Lord, make us ser - vants of your peace: where there is
 2 Where all is doubt, may we sow faith; where all is
 3 Je - sus, our Lord, may we not seek to be con -
 4 May we not look for love's re - turn, but seek to
 5 Dy - ing, we live, and are re - born through death's dark



1 hate, may we sow love; where there is hurt, may we for -
 2 gloom, may we sow hope; where all is night, may we sow
 3 soled, but to con - sole, nor look to un - der - stand - ing
 4 love un - self - ish - ly, for in our giv - ing we re -
 5 night to end - less day: Lord, make us ser - vants of your



1 give; where there is strife, may we make one.
 2 light; where all is tears, may we sow joy.
 3 hearts, but look for hearts to un - der - stand.
 4 ceive, and in for - giv - ing are for - given.
 5 peace, to wake at last in hea - ven's light.

— Words: James Quinn (b. 1919–2010), based on prayer attr. Francis of Assisi (1182–1226)
 Music: Dickinson College, Lee Hastings Briston, Jr. (1923–1979)

GOSPEL *Remain standing.*

Gospeler: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew (18:15–20).

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

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.”

Gospeler: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

*Children may join Ann Backus 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 - ered, 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 - ur - 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 - cen - ded 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: *Beach Spring*, melody from *The Sacred Harp*, 1844

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE *Remain standing.*

Leader: Jesus has promised that, when we gather in his name, he is here among us. Let us lift up our prayers together, saying, “We are gathered in your name; receive our prayer.”

Leader: O Lord, you take pleasure in your people: May your Church be a community of honesty and humility. Help us to love each other—especially when love is a challenge. *(Silence)* We are gathered in your name;

People: Receive our prayer.

Leader: O Lord, you have caused grapes to grow on the vine and wheat to grow in the fields so that we might celebrate on this festive day. Bless the land to grow enough that all may celebrate its bounty. *(Silence)* We are gathered in your name;

People: Receive our prayer.

Leader: O Lord, you have given us this summary of the law, to “Love the Lord our God with all our heart and mind and strength, and to “Love your neighbor as yourself.” Help us to love our neighbors so that we may do no wrong to anyone. *(Silence)* We are gathered in your name;

People: Receive our prayer.

Leader: O Lord, you adorn the poor with victory: Be with the hungry and the oppressed. Comfort the grieving. Give peace to all whose lives have been upset by natural disaster and war. We lift up the wider community of our families and friends, our parishioners who have asked our prayers, those we name before you, and those we hold in our hearts. We pray for:

BEN and SARAH	CONNIE & GEORGE	FISHER Patrick	SHAROLYN Sprigg
Alford/Sheppeard	DeWitt	ALLAN Philp	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 Tibedo
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		

Leader: O Lord, may all those who now lament see the day when they shall sing to you a new song of joy and praise. May those who weep dance for joy. May the anxious rest on their beds in peace. And may all know that it was you, the Lord, who did this. *(Silence)* We are gathered in your name;

People: Receive our prayer.

Leader: O Lord, care for all who have died as they await the great day of resurrection. May all who have died rest in peace. *(Silence)* We are gathered in your name;

People: Receive our prayer.

Silence may be kept.

Celebrant: O Lord, your mercy endures for ever. Receive the prayers of your people, and in your mercy do in our lives that which is truly good. In the name of Jesus we pray. *Amen.*

CONFESSION OF SIN

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All kneel. Silence is kept for a space.

All: Most merciful God,
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 neighbors 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 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.

People: Amen.

COMMISSIONING OF SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS *Seated.*

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.*

Now Let Us All Praise God and Sing

Now let us all praise God and sing our great Redeemer's praise,
That we may all with one accord our joyful voices raise.
Sing alleluia.

All ye servants of the Lord, praise him for ever.
Sing the Savior's mighty power, praise him for ever.
Sing of his righteousness, praise him for ever.

So let us all praise God and sing our great Redeemer's praise,
That we may all with one accord our joyful voices raise.
Sing alleluia.

—Words and Music: Gordon Young (1919–1998)

HYMN “With gratitude and humble trust” *Standing; everyone sings.*

3. With grat - i - tude and hum - ble trust we bring our best to thee
to serve thy cause and share thy love with all hu - man - i - ty.
O thou who gav - est us thy - self in Je - sus Christ thy Son,
help us to give our - selves each day un - til life's work is done.

—Words: Frank von Christerson (b. 1900), alt. (Hymn 705, verse 3.)

Music: *Forest Green*, English melody; adapt. and harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872–1958)

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 Jesus Christ you have given us the Church as a community of love, and you call us to care for one another with compassion and grace in his Name; and through him, you promise to be among us always. 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 power and might, heav - en and
earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

—Setting: Jonathan A. Tuuk, from *Mass in Honor of St. Andrew*

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.

Celebrant: 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 “Come, risen Lord, and deign to be our guest” *Everyone sings.*

1 Come, ris - en Lord, and deign to be our guest;
 2 We meet, as in that up - per room they met;
 3 One bo - dy we, one Bo - dy who par - take,
 4 One with each o - ther, Lord, for one in thee,

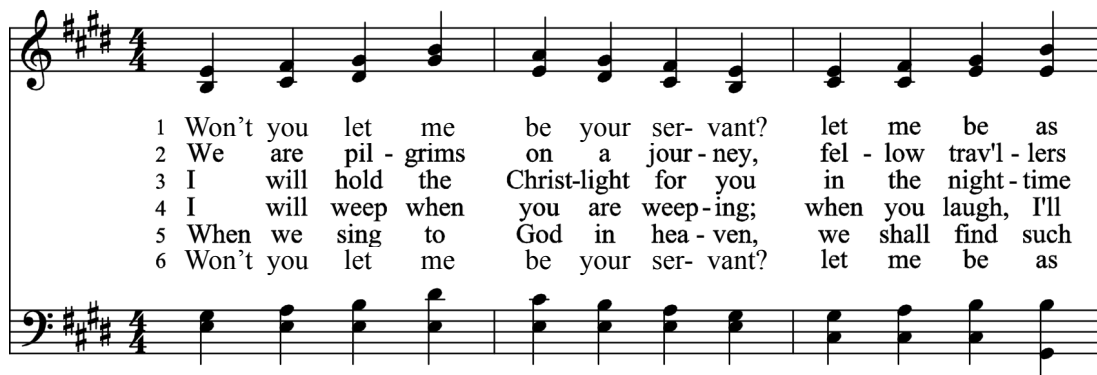
may, let us be thy guests; the feast is thine;
 thou at the ta - ble, bless - ing, yet dost stand:
 one Church u - ni - ted in com - mun - ion blest;
 who art one Sa - vior and one liv - ing Head;

thy - self at thine own board make man - i - fest
 “This is my Bo - dy”; so thou giv - est yet:
 one Name we bear, one Bread of life we break,
 then o - pen thou our eyes, that we may see;

in thine own Sac - ra - ment of Bread and Wine.
 faith still re - ceives the cup as from thy hand.
 with all thy saints on earth and saints at rest.
 be known to us in break - ing of the Bread.

— Words: George Wallace Briggs (1875–1959), alt.
 Music: *Sursum Corda*, Alfred Morton Smith (1879–1971)

HYMN “Won’t you let me be your servant?” *Everyone sings.*



1 Won't you let me be your ser- vant? let me be as
 2 We are pil - grims on a jour - ney, fel - low trav'l - lers
 3 I will hold the Christ-light for you in the night - time
 4 I will weep when you are weep - ing; when you laugh, I'll
 5 When we sing to God in hea - ven, we shall find such
 6 Won't you let me be your ser- vant? let me be as



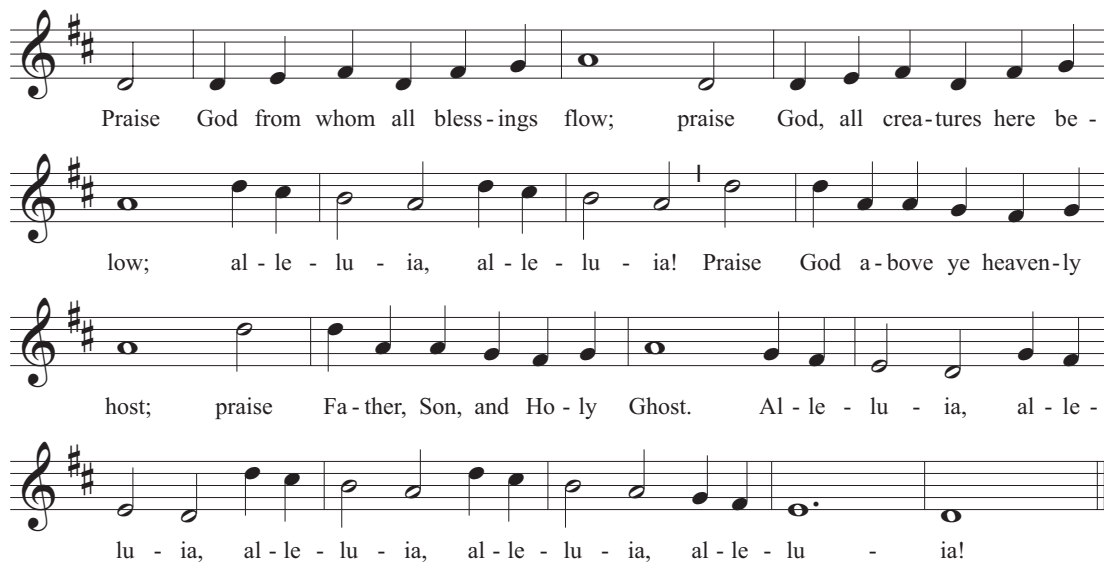
Christ to you; pray that I may have the grace to
 on the road; we are here to help each o - ther
 of your fear; I will hold my hand out to you,
 laugh with you. I will share your joy and sor - row
 har - mo - ny, born of all we've known to - geth - er
 Christ to you; pray that I may have the grace to



let you be my ser - - - vant too.
 walk the mile and bear the load.
 speak the peace you long to hear.
 till we've seen this jour - - - ney through.
 of Christ's love and a - - - gon - y.
 let you be my ser - - - vant, too.

—Words and Music: *Servant Song*, Richard Gillard, arr. Betty Carr Pulkingham (b. 1928)
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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 “Singing songs of expectation” *Standing, all who are able; everyone sings.*



1 Sing - ing songs of ex - pec - ta - tion, on - ward
2 One the light of God's own pres - ence, o'er his
3 One the strain the lips of thou - sands lift as



goes the pil - grim band, through the night of
ran - somed peo - ple shed, chas - ing far the
from the heart of one; one the con - flict,



doubt and sor - row, march - ing to the prom - ised land.
gloom and ter - ror, bright - ening all the path we tread:
one the per - il, one the march in God be - gun:



Clear be - fore us through the dark - ness gleams and
one the ob - ject of our jour - ney, one the
one the glad - ness of re - joic - ing on the



burns the guid - ing light: trust - ing God we
faith which nev - er tires, one the ear - nest
far e - ter - nal shore, where the one al -



march to - geth - er step - ping fear - less through the night.
look - ing for - ward, one the hope our God in - spires.
might - y Fa - ther reigns in love for ev - er - more.

—Words: Bernard Severin Ingemann (1789-1862) tr. Sabine Baring-Gould (1834-1924), alt.
Music: *Ton-y Botel*, Thomas John Williams (1869-1944).

DISMISSAL

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

VOLUNTARY



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