

# CHURCH OF THE GOOD SAMARITAN

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

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The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost  
September 29, 2024 + 10:30 a.m.

## Holy Eucharist

### Preparation for Worship in God's Name

*Please silence all cell phones and electronic devices.*

#### PRAYER OF MEDITATION

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

O gracious and holy God, give us diligence to seek you, wisdom to perceive you, and patience to wait for you. Grant us, O God, a mind to meditate on you; eyes to behold you; ears to listen for your word; a heart to love you; and a life to proclaim you; through the power of the Spirit of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

—Benedict of Nursia (480–543)

#### ORGAN VOLUNTARY

# The Liturgy of the Word

HYMN "Praise to the living God!" *Standing, all who are able; everyone sings.*



1 Praise to the liv - ing God! All prais - ed be his Name  
2 Form - less, all love - ly forms de - clare his love - li - ness;  
3 His Spi - rit flow - eth free, high surg - ing where it will:  
4 E - ter - nal life hath he im - plant - ed in the soul;



who was, and is, and is to be, for ay the same.  
ho - ly, no ho - li - ness of earth can his ex - press.  
in pro - phet's word he spoke of old; he speak - eth still.  
his love shall be our strength and stay while a - ges roll.



The one e - ter - nal God ere aught that now ap - pears:  
Lo, he is Lord of all. Cre - a - tion speaks his praise,  
Es - tab - lished is his law, and change - less it shall stand,  
Praise to the liv - ing God! All prais - ed be his Name



the first, the last, be - yond all thought his time - less years!  
and ev - ery-where a - bove, be - low, his will o - beys.  
deep writ up - on the hu - man heart, on sea, on land.  
who was, and is, and is to be, for ay the same.

—Words: Medieval Jewish liturgy; tr. Max Landsberg (1845–1928) and Newton M. Mann (1836–1926)  
Music: *Leoni*, Hebrew melody; harm. *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1985, alt.

## 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 the refrain three times.*



Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est!

Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God! Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

—Setting: Jacques Bertier, Taizé

## COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

*Remain standing; silence is kept.*

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; 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 Esther (7:1–6, 9–10; 9:20–22).

The king and Haman went in to feast with Queen Esther. On the second day, as they were drinking wine, the king again said to Esther, “What is your petition, Queen Esther? It shall be granted you. And what is your request? Even to the half of my kingdom, it shall be fulfilled.” Then Queen Esther answered, “If I have won your favor, O king, and if it pleases the king, let my life be given me—that is my petition—and the lives of my people—that is my request. For we have been sold, I and my people, to be destroyed, to be killed, and to be annihilated. If we had been sold merely as slaves, men and women, I would have held my peace; but no enemy can compensate for this damage to the king.” Then King Ahasuerus said to Queen Esther, “Who is he, and where is he, who has presumed to do this?” Esther said, “A foe and enemy, this wicked Haman!” Then Haman was terrified before the king and the queen. Then Harbona, one of the eunuchs in attendance on the king, said, “Look, the very gallows that Haman has prepared for Mordecai, whose word saved the king, stands at Haman’s house, fifty cubits high.” And the king said, “Hang him on that.” So they hanged Haman on the gallows that he had prepared for Mordecai. Then the anger of the king abated. Mordecai recorded these things, and sent letters to all the Jews who were in all the provinces of King Ahasuerus, both near and far, enjoining them that they should keep the fourteenth day of the month Adar and also the fifteenth day of the same month, year by year, as the days on which the Jews gained relief from their enemies, and as the month that had been turned for them from sorrow into gladness and from mourning into a holiday; that they should make them days of feasting and gladness, days for sending gifts of food to one another and presents to the poor.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 124 *Everyone sings.*



—Setting: Robert Knox Kennedy (b. 1945);  
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- 1 If the LORD had not been on our side, \*  
let Israel now say;
- 2 If the LORD had not been on our side, \*  
when enemies rose up against us;
- 3 Then would they have swallowed us up alive \*  
in their fierce anger toward us;
- 4 Then would the waters have overwhelmed us \*  
and the torrent gone over us;
- 5 Then would the raging waters \*  
have gone right over us.
- 6 Blessed be the LORD! \*  
he has not given us over to be a prey for their teeth.
- 7 We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowler; \*  
the snare is broken, and we have escaped.
- 8 Our help is in the Name of the LORD, \*  
the maker of heaven and earth.

## SECOND LESSON *Seated.*

A reading from the Letter of James (5:13–20).

Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest. My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

HYMN “If thou but trust in God to guide thee” *Standing, all who are able; everyone sings.*

1 If thou but trust in God to guide thee, and hope in him through  
 2 Sing, pray, and keep his ways un - swerv - ing; so do thine own part

all thy ways, he'll give thee strength what - e'er be - tide thee,  
 faith - ful - ly, and trust his word, though un - de - serv - ing;

and bear thee through the e - vil days. Who trusts in God's un -  
 thou yet shalt find it true for thee; God nev - er yet for -

chang - ing love builds on a rock that nought can move.  
 sook in need the soul that trust - ed him in - deed.

—Words: Georg Neumark (1621-1681); tr. Catherine Winkworth (1829-1878), alt.  
 Music: *Wer nur den lieben Gott*, Georg Neumark (1621-1681))

**GOSPEL** *Remain standing.*

Gospeler: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark (9:38–50).

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

John said to him, “Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us.” But Jesus said, “Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. Whoever is not against us is for us. For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward. If any of you put a stumbling block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched. For everyone will be salted with fire. Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another.”

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 is observed following 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: *Nettleton*, melody from *A Repository of Sacred Music, Part II*, 1813

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE** *Remain standing.*

Leader: We remember in our prayers today the joys and concerns of this congregation: those who are celebrating birthdays and anniversaries; those who cannot be with us this morning; those in the military, especially those who have been deployed; the wider community of our families and friends; our parishioners who have asked our prayers, and those we hold in our hearts. We pray for:

ED Archer	THE HARRISON FAMILY	ALLAN Philp
CHIP Beets	MARGE Hudson	THE PLAGEMAN-DAVIS FAMILY
JOANNE Calhoun	FRANCIS Lloyd	MARILYN Randall
DAVID Cazalet	ELLEN LoCurto-Martinez	NICK Richards
GAIL Cox	ANN McClain	TOM Schlitt
LOIS & RON Dearolf	DON McConnell	LO Starck
DANA & DEWELL Downey	MARCELLUS Mitchell	DENISE & ROGER Tibedo
DOUG Emblar	MIKE Murdock	SAM Venable
THE GREELEY FAMILY	DALE Oakley	and
JOYCE Grubb	KENT Parish	ALICE & FRED Wegmann

*The people may add their own petitions.*

Leader: We remember those who have died, and for families and friends who grieve.

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

People: That we all may be one.

Leader: Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

People: That your name may be glorified by all people.

Leader: We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

People: That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

Leader: We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

People: That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Leader: Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

People: That our works may find favor in your sight.

Leader: Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

People: That they may be delivered from their distress.

Leader: Give to the departed eternal rest;

People: Let light perpetual shine upon them.

Leader: We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

People: May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

*Silence may be kept.*

Celebrant: Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

## CONFESSION OF SIN

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

*The people may kneel or bow. 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. *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

# Holy Communion

## OFFERTORY SENTENCE

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.*

### Make Me a Channel of Your Peace

Make me a channel of your peace:  
Where there is hatred, let me bring your love;  
Where there is injury, your pardon, Lord;  
And where there's doubt, true faith in you.

Make me a channel of your peace:  
Where there's despair in life, let me bring hope;  
Where there is darkness, only light,  
And where there's sadness, ever joy.

O, Master, grant that I may never seek  
So much to be consoled as to console,  
To be understood as to understand,  
To be loved as to love with all my soul.

Make me a channel of your peace:  
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,  
In giving of ourselves that we receive,  
And in dying that we're born to eternal life.

—Words: Percy Dearmer (1867–1936), alt.  
Music: Harold Friedell (1905–1958)

## HYMN “A world in need now summons us” *Standing—all who are able; everyone sings.*

A world in need now sum - mons us to la - bor, love, and give;  
to make our lives an of - fer - ing to God that all may live;  
the Church of Christ is call - ing us to make the dream come true:  
a world re - deemed by Christ like love, all life in Christ made new.

—Words: Frank von Christerson (b. 1900), alt. (Hymn 705, verse 2.)  
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 you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. 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, hea - ven 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: Robert Powell (b. 1932)

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: This is the table not of the righteous, but of the poor in spirit. It is the table of sharing with the poor of the world, with whom our Savior identified. It is the table of communion with the earth, in which our Lord became incarnate. This is the table of Jesus Christ. So come to this table, you who have much faith and you who would like to have more; you who have been here often, and you who have not been for a while or ever before; you who have tried to follow Jesus, and all of us who have failed. These are the gifts of God for the people of God. It is Christ who invites you to be known and loved and fed here.

## DURING COMMUNION

HYMN “Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless” *Everyone sings.*

1 Shep - herd of souls, re - fresh and bless thy cho - sen  
2 We would not live by bread a - lone, but by thy  
3 Be known to us in break - ing bread, and do not  
4 Lord, sup with us in love di - vine thy Bo - dy

pil - grim flock with man - na in the  
word of grace, in strength of which we  
then de - part; Sa - vior, a - bide with  
and thy Blood, that liv - ing bread, that

wil - der - ness, with wa - ter from the rock.  
trav - el on to our a - bid - ing - place.  
us, and spread thy ta - ble in our heart.  
heaven - ly wine, be our im - mor - tal food.

—Words: James Montgomery, (1711–1854), alt.  
Music: *St. Agnes*, melody John Bacchus Dykes (1823–1876);  
harm. Richard Proulx (b. 1937), after John Bacchus Dykes



HYMN “Be still, for the presence of the Lord” *Everyone sings.*



1. Be still, for the pres - ence of the Lord, the Ho - ly One, is here;  
2. Be still, for the glo - ry of the Lord is shin - ing all a - round;  
3. Be still, for the pow - er of the Lord is mov - ing in this place:



come bow be - fore him now with rev - er - ence and fear:  
he burns with ho - ly fire; with splen - dor he is crowned:  
he comes to cleanse and heal, to min - is - ter his grace.



in him no sin is found, we stand on ho - ly ground.  
how awe - some is the sight, our rad - iant King of Light!  
No work too hard for him, in faith re - ceive from him.



Be still, for the pres - ence of the Lord, the Ho - ly One, is here.  
Be still, for the glo - ry of the Lord is shin - ing all a - round.  
Be still, for the pow - er of the Lord is mov - ing in this place.

—Words and Music: David Evans, 1986.

HYMN “Take, O take me as I am” *Everyone sings.*

Musical notation for the first system of the hymn. It consists of a grand staff with a treble clef on top and a bass clef on the bottom. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat) and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is in the treble clef, and the bass clef provides a harmonic accompaniment.

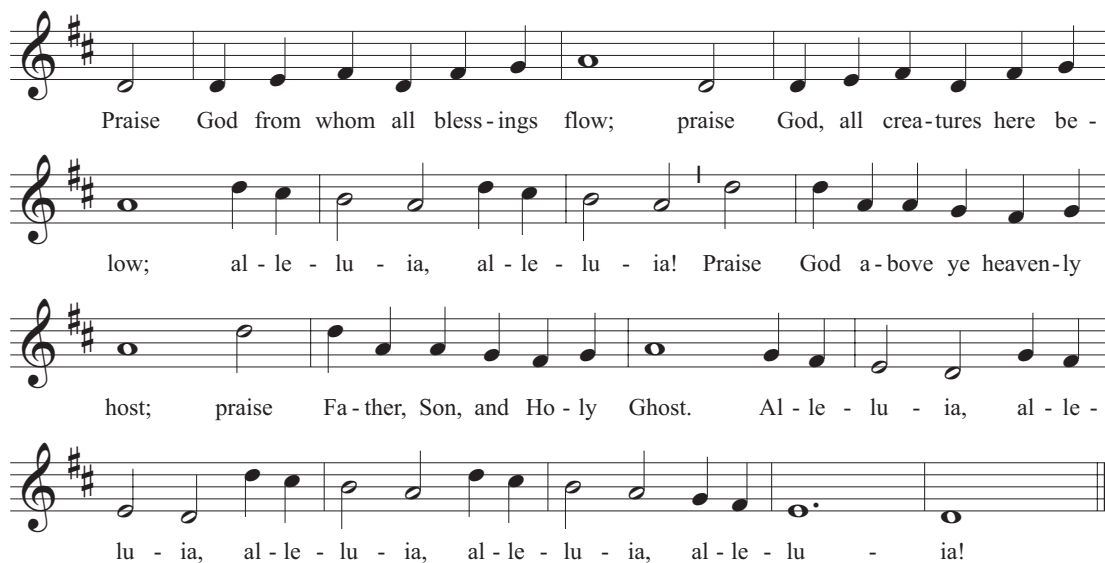
Take, O take me as I am; sum - mon out what I shall be;

Musical notation for the second system of the hymn. It continues the grand staff from the first system.

set your seal up - on my heart and live in me.

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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.

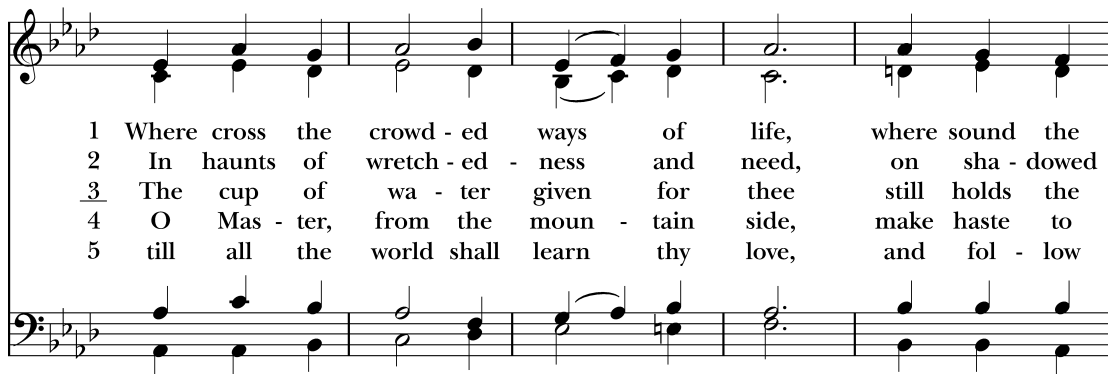
SENDING OF THE EUCHARISTIC VISITOR *Remain standing.*

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 who are many are one body,

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

BLESSING *Remain standing.*

HYMN “Where cross the crowded ways of life” *Standing; everyone sings.*



1 Where cross the crowd - ed ways of life, where sound the  
2 In haunts of wretch - ed - ness and need, on sha - dowed  
3 The cup of wa - ter given for thee still holds the  
4 O Mas - ter, from the moun - tain side, make haste to  
5 till all the world shall learn thy love, and fol - low



1 cries of race and clan, a - bove the noise of  
2 thresh - olds dark with fears, from paths where hide the  
3 fresh - ness of thy grace; yet long these mul - ti -  
4 heal these hearts of pain; a - mong these rest - less  
5 where thy feet have trod; till glo - rious from thy



1 self - ish strife, we hear thy voice, O Son of Man.  
2 lures of greed, we catch the vi - sion of thy tears.  
3 tudes to see the true com - pas - sion of thy face.  
4 throngs a - bide, O tread the ci - ty's streets a - gain;  
5 heaven a - bove, shall come the ci - ty of our God.

—Words: Frank Mason North (1850-1935), alt.

Music: *Gardiner*, from *Sacred Melodies*, 1815; arr. William Gardiner (1770-1853)

## DISMISSAL

Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

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