Traditional Eucharist (Setting 5)

Sunday, March 17, 2024 (Lectionary 11-5th Sunday in Lent - Year B)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE MUSIC

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

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God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone.

Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Most merciful God, we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.

Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ.

Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. Amen.

No. 343 (1-4)

My Song Is Love Unknown

- 1 My song is love unknown,my Savior's love to me,love to the loveless shownthat they might lovely be.Oh, who am I that for my sakemy Lord should take frail flesh and die?
- 2 He came from his blest throne salvation to bestow; the world that was his own would not its Savior know.
 But, oh, my friend, my friend indeed, who at my need his life did spend!
- 3 Sometimes we strew his way and his sweet praises sing; resounding all the day hosannas to our king.
 Then "Crucify!" is all our breath, and for his death we thirst and cry.
- 4 We cry out; we will have our dear Lord made away, a murderer to save,

the prince of life to slay. Yet cheerful he to suff'ring goes that he his foes from thence might free.

- 5 In life no house, no home my Lord on earth might have; in death no friendly tomb but what a stranger gave.
 What may I say? Heav'n was his home but mine the tomb wherein he lay.
- 6 Here might I stay and sing—
 no story so divine!
 Never was love, dear King,
 never was grief like thine.
 This is my friend, in whose sweet praise
 I all my days could gladly spend!

Text: Samuel Crossman, 1624-1683, alt.

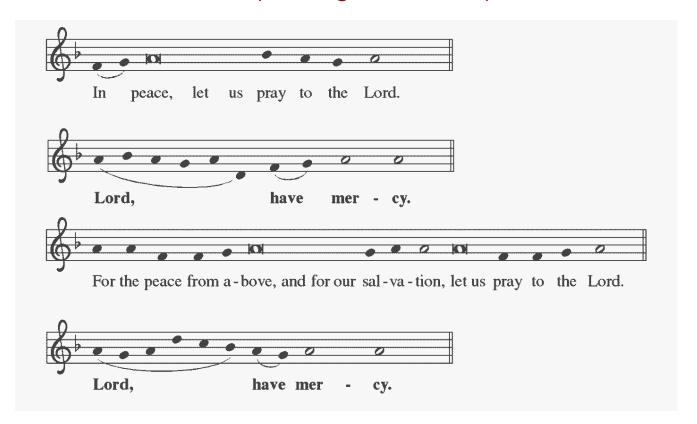
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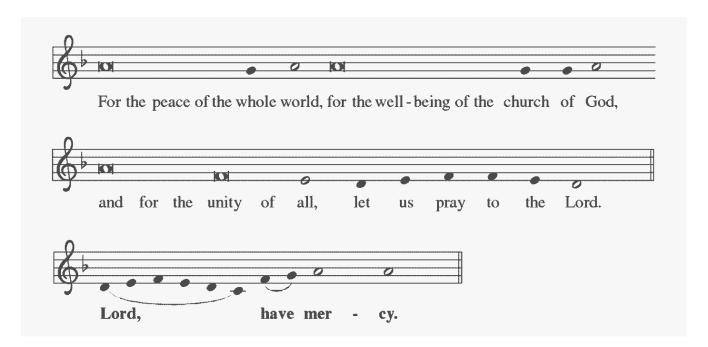
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

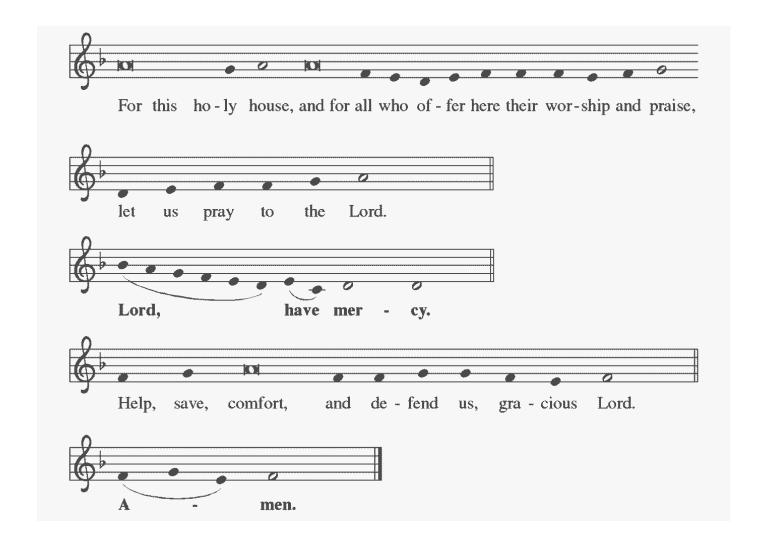
And also with you.

KYRIE

(Setting 5 / S 156)







PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

O God, with steadfast love you draw us to yourself, and in mercy you receive our prayers. Strengthen us to bring forth the fruits of the Spirit, that through life and death we may live in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen

FIRST READING

Introduction: "A reading from Jeremiah.

³¹The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ³²It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. ³³But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those

days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the LORD," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more

After the First Reading the following will be said: Conclusion: "Word of God, word of life."

Response: ("Thanks be to God.")

(PFW - Tone 35)

PSALM (Choir verses in yellow highlight)

Psalm 51:1-12

(Psalm Tone: PFW - Tone 35 - 0 Flats)



¹Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love;

in your great compassion blot out | my offenses.

²Wash me through and through | from my wickedness,

and cleanse me | from my sin.

³For I know | my offenses, and my sin is ev- | er before me.

⁴Against you only have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight;

so you are justified when you speak and right in your judgment.

Indeed, I was born | steeped in wickedness, a sinner from my | mother's womb.

⁶Indeed, you delight in truth | deep within me, and would have me know wisdom | deep within.

⁷Remove my sins with hyssop, and I shall be clean;

wash me, and I shall be pur- | er than snow.

⁸Let me hear | joy and gladness; that the body you have broken | may rejoice.

⁹Hide your face | from my sins, and blot out | all my wickedness.

¹⁰Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spir- it within me.

11 Cast me not away | from your presence, and take not your Holy Spir- | it from me.

¹²Restore to me the joy of | your salvation and sustain me with your boun- | tiful Spirit

SECOND READING

Introduction: "A reading from Hebrews."

⁵Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, "You are my Son, today I have begotten you";

⁶as he says also in another place,

"You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek."

⁷In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission.

⁸Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; ⁹and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, ¹⁰having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

After the Second Reading the following will be said: Conclusion: "Word of God, word of life."

Response: ("Thanks be to God.")

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION FOR LENT:

(Setting 5 / S 160b)

Sung by the choir and the congregation:



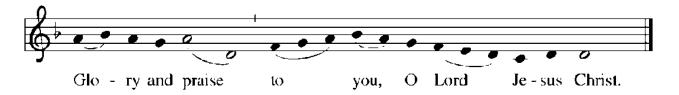
Sung by a soloist:



Unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains a single grain;*

but if it dies, it bears much fruit

Sung by the choir and the congregation:



GOSPEL

Introduction:

"The Holy Gospel According to John."

Announcement Response:

("Glory to you, O Lord.")

²⁰Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. ²¹They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." ²²Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. ²³Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. ²⁴Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of

wheat falls into the earth

and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit.

²⁵Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. ²⁶Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor.

²⁷"Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—'Father,

No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. ²⁸Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." ²⁹The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him."

³⁰Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. ³¹Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. ³²And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." ³³He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

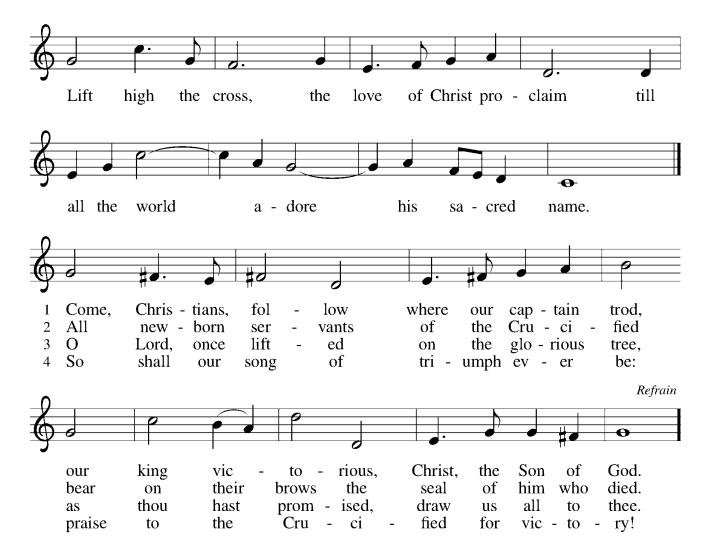
After the Gospel Reading the following will be said:

Conclusion: "The Gospel of the Lord."

Concluding Response: ("Praise to you, O Christ.")

SERMON

Lift High the Cross



Text: George W. Kitchin, 1827–1912; rev. Michael R. Newbolt, 1874–1956

Music: CRUCIFER, Sydney H. Nicholson, 1875–1947

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NICENE CREED

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light,

true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary

and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son,*

who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,

who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS AND SQUARES MINISTRY: QUILT MINISTRY:

NAME:			

(Presented by Xxxxxxx Xxxxxxxx

(Sunday:10x:x0 AM Liturgy)

Loving God, we thank you for the gifts you have given to our Prayers and Squares Ministry: the talent, the gifts of fabric, the time, the gifts we use to create these quilts that are given with love and prayer to those who are struggling. We ask that you continue to help those involved in this ministry to use these gifts to honor you.

We ask yo	our blessing upon the recipient of this
quilt,	May this quilt wrap
	with comfort and love. This
we pray ir	the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus
Christ. Ar	nen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH:

With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

We pray for those within the Trinity family who are sick, hospitalized, or in special need, especially . .

We pray for those who are serving in the armed forces, especially.

We pray for those outside the Trinity membership who are sick, hospitalized, or in special need, especially . . .

A brief silence.

Father, give us a new heart. Take away our heart of stone. Give us the only heart that can beat in us forever – the heart of your dear Son Jesus. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Put a new and right heart within your Church. Make it cling in perfect faith to Jesus, and do your will. Cleanse it from wrongful teaching and shameful deeds. By the power of your Holy Spirit, make it shine with your Son's forgiveness, righteousness, and mercy. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Put a new and faithful heart in your people when they are persecuted for Jesus' sake. Give them the joy of knowing that they indeed drink with Jesus from his cup. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Put a new and joyful heart within this congregation. By the power of your Holy Spirit, unite us to Jesus' death and rising. Cause us to bear much fruit in his name. And use us to draw others to his cross. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Put a new and patient heart within all who care for family members with special needs. Give them compassion, strength, and the joy of knowing that what they do for their loved one, they do for you. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Put a new and wise heart within our earthly leaders, so they do justice, love mercy, and walk humbly before you. Give to all of us a desire to help our neighbors, even the difficult ones. Teach us to live together in peace. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Put a new and steadfast heart into all who serve our country. Give them courage, wisdom, and competence. Strengthen and shield their loved ones. Bring them home safely when their work is done. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Put a new and trustful heart into all who cry to you for help; including: {List}. Give them the joy of your saving help; and give to all who care for them the comfort and guidance of your Holy Spirit. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Dear Father, we commend into your care all whose deaths we mourn. Put a new and faith-filled heart into us as we walk life's troubled pathways. Give us grace to believe that we who are buried with Christ shall also be raised with him. Bring us, with all whom you have redeemed, into the joy of your kingdom. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Intercessions for the Ministries of the NALC

(Number 7) (Focus on the 2nd Core Value of the NALC: Mission Driven)

We pray for our bishop, Dan (Selbo), for the staff of the North American Lutheran Church, for our Northeast Mission District, for our Atlantic Mission Region, for each of the congregations of the NALC, and especially today for Sattazahn Lutheran Church in Jonestown, Pennsylvania. (We also embrace in prayer Immanuel Lutheran Church in New York City, its pastors, Carol and Gregory Fryer, and Lara Bhasin, its congregational leaders, as well as each of its members in this time of demonic darkness as they contend against those forces that would destroy their congregation.) Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Empower this Church and each congregation to embrace the Great Commission as our only mission. Equip this Church to take the Gospel to the ends of the earth, to make disciples committed to Christ, to baptize in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, to teach people all that Jesus commands, and to trust in His consistent presence and power. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Heavenly Father, provide us the wisdom to work diligently as we anticipate calling a new pastor who will lead and inspire this congregation to understand your Word through Christ. Father, we pray that you keep us united in this coming year as we move forward in faith on our journey to call a new shepherd to lead Trinity. Lord in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered. Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

PEACE

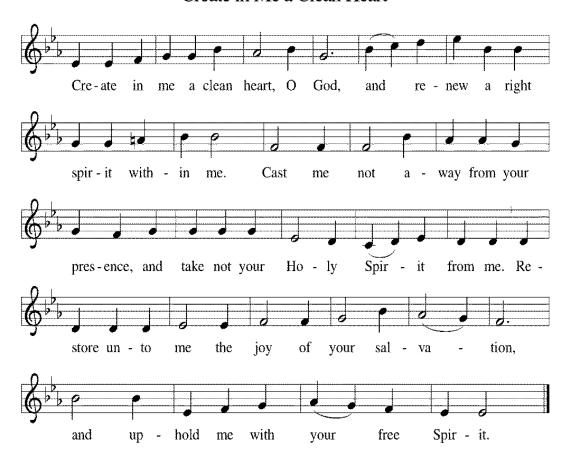
The peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY:

(S 188)

Create in Me a Clean Heart



OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

Jesus, you are the bread of life and the host of this meal.
Bless these gifts that we have gathered that all people may know your goodness. Feed us not only with this holy food but with hunger for justice and peace. We pray this in your name.

Amen.

DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

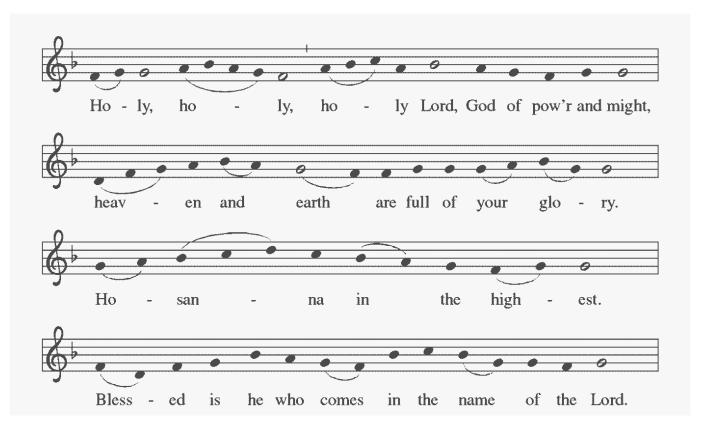
It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ.

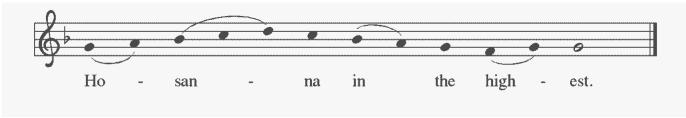
You call your people to cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast, that, renewed in the gift of baptism, we may come to the fullness of your grace.

And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

(Setting 5 / S 162)





Thanksgiving at the Table:

Thanksgiving at the Table (The Season of Lent)

Holy God,
our living Water and our merciful
Guide,
together with rivers and seas, wells
and springs
we bless and magnify you.

You led your people Israel through the desert, and provided them water from the rock.

We praise you for Christ, our Rock and Our Water, who joined us in our desert, pouring out his life for the world.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;

broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,

and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore,

his life, death, and resurrection, we await your salvation for all this thirsty world.

Pour out your Spirit on this holy food and on all the baptized gathered for this feast: wash away our sin, that we may be revived for our journey by the love of Christ.

Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.

Amen

LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray.

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, forever and ever. Amen.

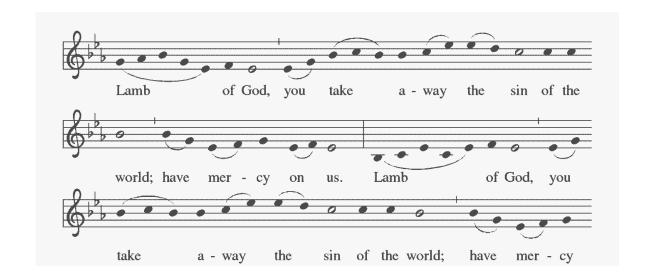
INVITATION TO COMMUNION

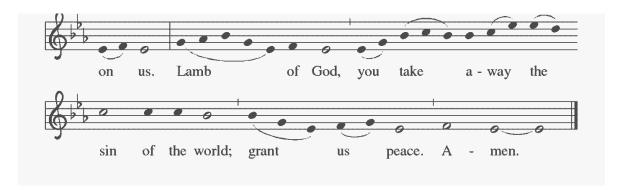
Bread for the journey.

A feast for hungry hearts. Come!

COMMUNION SONG

(Setting 5 / S 164)





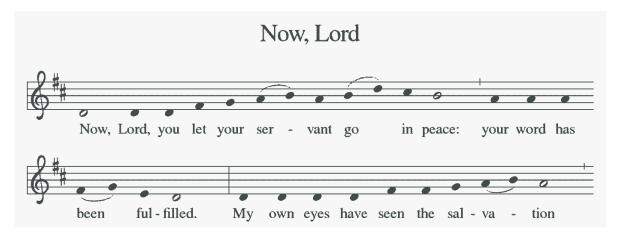
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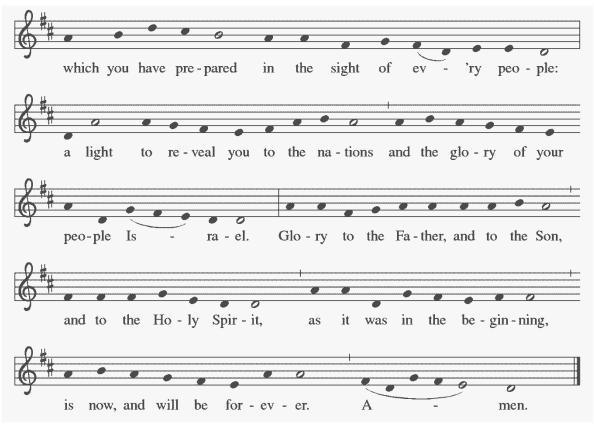
The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you. Amen.

BLESSING FOLLOWING THE DISTRIBUTION

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

SONG AFTER COMMUNION (Setting53 / S 201)





PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray

Generous God, at this table we have tasted your immeasurable grace. As grains of wheat are gathered into one bread, now make us one loaf to feed the world; in the name of Jesus, the Bread of life. Amen.

BLESSING

Beloved, we are God's own people, holy, washed, renewed. God bless you and keep you, shower you with mercy, fill you with courage, and + give you peace.

Amen.

SENDING SONG

Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing



- 1 Lord, dis miss us with your bless-ing, fill our hearts with joy and peace;
- 2 Thanks we give and ad o ra tion for your gos pel's joy ful sound.
- 3 Sav ior, when your love shall call us from our strug-gling pil grim way,



let us each, your love pos - sess-ing, tri-umph in re - deem-ing grace. May the fruits of your sal - va - tion in our hearts and lives a - bound. let no fear of death ap - pall us, glad your sum-mons to o - bey.



Text: attr. John Fawcett, 1740–1817, sts. 1–2, alt.; Godfrey Thring, 1823–1903, st. 3, alt. Music: SICILIAN MARINERS, Sicilian, 18th cent.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share your bread. Thanks be to God.