

Saint Thomas's Church
The Sunday Next Before Advent
The Reign of Christ
Sunday, November 26, 2023
Combined Mass at 10:30 am



Jesus Christ Pantocrator
Detail from the Deesis Mosaic in Hagia Sophia, Istanbul

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Welcome!

On behalf of everyone who claims St. Thomas's as their spiritual home, we are happy you are with us, whether in person or via our livestream. If you are a visitor or newcomer, or even a longtime parishioner, but find it awkward or difficult to stand or kneel at the places indicated, remaining seated is perfectly acceptable. Please assume the posture most conducive to prayer throughout this service, or simply observe.

St. Thomas's has many peculiar ways that we cherish and are happy to share. If there seems to be no rhyme or reason for something, there might not be! But feel free to ask anyone after the service; it usually makes for entertaining conversation.

You are not obliged to engage any of us in conversation, though you should know that pretty much everyone here is happy to do so when we gather. You can always slip away without any judgement, though we hope you will avail yourself of **coffee hour in the parish hall** following this service, if possible. We seem to have a lot of introverts here, so we understand the energy it takes to put yourself out there. Even if you're a raging extrovert, the experience of church can be disorienting. Relax and be yourself. Believe it or not, whether from near or far, God has led you here today. We want to honour what God is up to in your life, and we are here for you as you (re-) discover the joy and the challenge of the saving Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Fr. Nathan Humphrey, Rector

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Celebrant & Homilist: Fr. James Shire
Deacon: Fr. Nathan Humphrey
Readers: James Meade & John Stuart
Organist & Choirmaster: Elizabeth Anderson
Assistant Organist & Choirmaster: Manuel Piazza

MUSIC OF THE MASS

Missa Brevis, Jonathan Dove (b. 1959)

VOLUNTARY

Toccata in E Minor, Johann Pachelbel (1653-1706)

ENTRANCE HYMN 386 – The Lord is King!

- 1 The Lord is King! lift up thy voice,
O earth; and all ye heavens, rejoice;
From world to world one song shall ring:
The Lord omnipotent is King.
- 2 The Lord is King! who then shall dare
Resist his will, distrust his care,
Or murmur at his wise decrees,
Or doubt his royal promises?
- 3 The Lord is King! child of the dust,
The Judge of all the earth is just;
Holy and true are all his ways:
Let every creature speak his praise.
- 4 He reigns! ye saints, exalt your strains;
Your God is King, your Father reigns;
And he is at the Father's side,
The Man of love, the Crucified.
- 5 Come, make your wants, your burdens known,
He will present them at the throne;
And angel-bands are waiting there
His messages of love to bear.

The People stand as the Choir alone sings.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO

Glory be to God on high,
and in earth peace,
good will towards men.
We praise thee, we bless thee,
we worship thee, we glorify thee,
we give thanks to thee
for thy great glory,
O Lord God, heavenly King,
God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son,
Jesu Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God,
Son of the Father,
that takest away the sin of the world,
have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sin of the world,
receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest
at the right hand of God the Father,
have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy;
thou only art the Lord;
thou only, O Christ,
with the Holy Ghost, art most high
in the ✠ glory of God the Father. Amen

Gloria in excelsis Deo,
et in terra pax hominibus
bonæ voluntatis
Laudamus te, benedicimus te,
adoramus te, glorificamus te,
gratias agimus tibi
propter magnam gloriam tuam,
Domine Deus, Rex cælestis,
Deus Pater omnipotens.

Domine Fili unigenite,
Jesu Christe,
Domine Deus, Agnus Dei,
Filius Patris,
qui tollis peccata mundi,
miserere nobis.
Qui tollis peccata mundi,
suscipe deprecationem nostram.
Qui sedes
ad dexteram Patris,
miserere nobis.

Quoniam tu solus Sanctus,
tu solus Dominus,
tu solus Altissimus, Jesu Christe,
cum Sancto Spiritu:
in ✠ gloria Dei Patris. Amen.

The People remain standing for the Collects.

COLLECTS OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

Stir up, we beseech thee, O Lord, the wills of thy faithful people; that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may of thee be plenteously rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in thy well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The People sit.

FIRST LESSON

Ezekiel 34.11-16, 20-24

The First Lesson is written in the thirty fourth chapter of the book of the prophet Ezekiel, beginning at the eleventh verse.

For thus says the Lord God: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord God. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat

and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice. Therefore, thus says the Lord God to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep. I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I, the Lord, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the Lord, have spoken.

The word of the Lord.

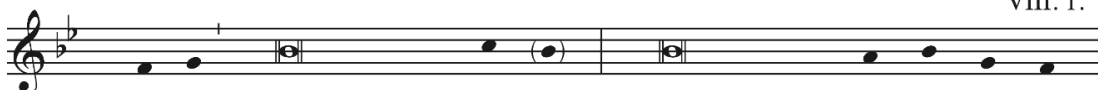
Thanks be to God.

The People remain seated for the Psalm.

PSALM 100

Jubilate Deo

VIII. 1.



- Cantor* 1 O BE joyful in the Lord, all ye **lands** :
People serve the Lord with gladness,
and come before his **pre**-sence with a[^]song.
- 2 Be ye sure that the Lord he is **God** :
it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people,
and the sheep **of** his pas-ture.
- Cantor* 3 O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts
with **praise** : be thankful unto him, and speak **good** of his Name.
- People* 4 For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is ever-**last**-ing :
and his truth endureth from generation to **ge**-ne-ra-tion.

THE EPISTLE

Ephesians 1.15-23

The Epistle is written in the first chapter of St Paul's Epistle to the Ephesians, beginning at the fifteenth verse.

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love towards all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The People stand.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Cantor Al - le - lu - ia. *People* * Al - le - lu - ia. *Tone VI*

Cantor BLESS-ED is he who comes in the name of **the** Lord! :
Bless-ed is the kingdom of our father David **that** is co-ming.

The People repeat the Alleluia from the asterisk.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 25.31-46

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

The Holy Gospel is written in the twenty fifth chapter of the Gospel according to Saint Matthew, beginning at the thirty first verse.

Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Jesus said, ‘When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, “Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.” Then the righteous will answer him, “Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?” And the king will answer them, “Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.” Then he will say to those at his left hand, “You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.” Then they also will answer, “Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?” Then he will answer them, “Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.” And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.’

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise be to thee, O Christ.

The People sit at the invitation of the Preacher.

SERMON

The People stand to sing the Creed. All who are able to kneel, please do so at “and was incarnate,” rising after “and was made man.”

THE NICENE CREED

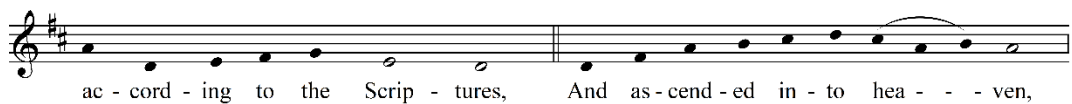
Missa de Angelis

Celebrant *People*

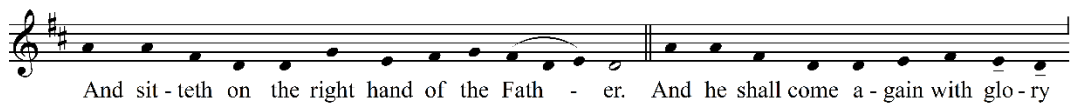
I be-lieve in one— God the Fath-er Al-migh-ty, Mak-er of hea-ven and earth,
And of all things vis - - - i - ble and in - vis - - - i - ble:
And in one Lord Je - sus Christ, the on - ly - be - got - ten Son of God,
Be - got - ten of the Fath - - er be - fore all worlds; God, of God; Light, of Light;
Ve - ry God, of Ve - ry God; Be - got - ten not— made; Be - ing of one sub - stance
with the Fath - er; Through whom all— things were made: Who for us men
and for our sal - va - tion came down from hea - ven, And was in - car - nate by
the— Ho - ly Ghost of the Vir - gin Ma - ry, And was made man,
And was cru - - ci - fi - ed al - so for— us un - der Pon - tius Pi - late.



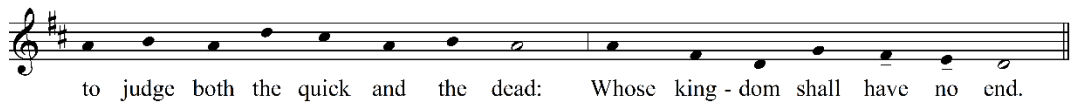
He suf-fer-ed and was bu - - - ri-ed, And the third day he rose a - gain



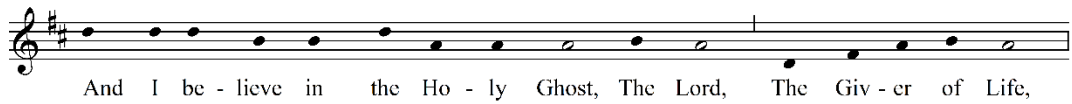
ac-cord-ing to the Scrip-tures, And as-cend-ed in-to hea - - - ven,



And sit-teth on the right hand of the Fath-er. And he shall come a-gain with glo-ry



to judge both the quick and the dead: Whose king-dom shall have no end.



And I be-lieve in the Ho-ly Ghost, The Lord, The Giv-er of Life,



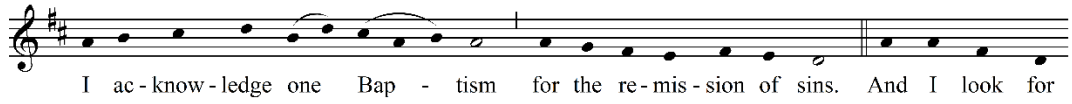
Who pro-ceed-eth from the Fath-er and the Son, Who with the Fath-er and the Son



to-geth-er is wor-ship-ped and glo-ri-fi-ed, Who spake by the Pro - - - phets.



And I be-lieve One, Ho-ly, Cath-o-lic, and A-po-sto-lic Church.



I ac-know-ledge one Bap-tism for the re-mis-sion of sins. And I look for



the Re-sur-rec-tion of the dead, And the Life of the world to come.



A - - - - - men.

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

And they came, every one whose heart stirred him up, and every one whom his spirit made willing, and they brought the Lord's offering.

The People remain standing for the hymn.

OFFERTORY HYMN 357

At the Name of Jesus

- All* 1 At the Name of Jesus
Every knee shall bow,
Every tongue confess him
King of glory now;
'Tis the Father's pleasure
We should call him Lord,
Who from the beginning
Was the mighty Word.
- All* 2 At his voice creation
Sprang at once to sight,
All the angel faces,
All the hosts of light,
Thrones and dominations,
Stars upon their way,
All the heavenly orders,
In their great array.
- Lower* 3 Humbled for a season
Voices To receive a Name
From the lips of sinners
Unto whom he came,
Faithfully he bore it,
Spotless to the last,
Brought it back victorious,
When from death he passed:

- All* 4 Bore it up triumphant
With its human light,
Through all ranks of creatures
To the central height;
To the throne of Godhead,
To the Father's breast,
Filled it with the glory
Of that perfect rest.
- All* 5 Name him, brothers, name him,
With love as strong as death,
But with awe and wonder,
And with bated breath;
He is God the Saviour,
He is Christ the Lord,
Ever to be worshipped,
Trusted, and adored.
- Upper* 6 In your hearts enthrone him;
Voices There let him subdue
All that is not holy,
All that is not true:
Crown him as your Captain
In temptation's hour;
Let his will enfold you
In its light and power.
- All* 7 Brothers, this Lord Jesus
Shall return again,
With his Father's glory,
With his angel train;
For all wreaths of empire
Meet upon his brow,
And our hearts confess him
King of glory now.

The People sit if the Choir sits, and stand when the thurifer approaches for the censuring.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS


Blessed be thou, Lord God of Israel, for ever and ever. All that is in the heaven and in the earth is thine. All things come of thee, and of thine own have we given thee. **Amen.**

The People kneel.

INTERCESSIONS

Celebrant: Sisters and brothers in Christ, with joyous hearts and in communion with the Holy Catholic Church, let us offer up our prayers to Almighty God.

Intercessor: I bid your prayers for the church universal throughout the world; for Andrew our bishop, for Kevin and Riscylla his suffragans, for _____ according to the Anglican cycle of prayer, for _____ according to the Diocesan cycle of prayer, and for _____ according to the Parish cycle of prayer, and for all who serve and minister to God's people. (*Silence.*)



The image shows a musical staff with a treble clef. The staff is divided into two sections by a double bar line. The first section is labeled 'Intercessor' and contains the notes G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4. The second section is labeled 'People' and contains the notes G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4. Below the staff, the lyrics are written: 'Lord, in thy mer - cy, we be - seech thee, hear our prayer.'

Intercessor: I bid your prayers for Charles, King of Canada, and for all in civil authority under him in our country, province, and city. May God guide them in the ways of justice and peace; that all may honour one another and serve the common good. (*Silence.*)

Lord, in thy mercy,
We beseech thee, hear our prayer.

Intercessor: I bid your prayers for the world, for those places affected by war, conflict, calamity, or disaster, especially for Israel, Palestine, Ukraine and Sudan, and all other places we now name, silently or aloud. May God grant us the spirit of respect and forbearance for all nations and peoples. (*Silence.*)

Lord, in thy mercy,
We beseech thee, hear our prayer.

Intercessor: I bid your prayers for all who serve the needs of others in our community, for the volunteers and guests of the Friday Food Ministry, and for all those who labour in and use shelters, drop-in programs, foodbanks, and other social services. May God aid us to love him with all our hearts, souls, minds, and strength, and to love our neighbours as ourselves. (*Silence.*)

Lord, in thy mercy,
We beseech thee, hear our prayer.

Intercessor: I bid your prayers for God's blessings upon all people, giving thanks to God for the people, neighbours, and friends of this parish, and especially for all those present in person or via livestream, and for newcomers and visitors this morning, both near and far. [We give thanks especially on this day for _____.] And for all other thanksgivings we now name, silently or aloud _____. May God's abiding presence be with us always, that we may be a blessing to all people. (*Silence.*)

Lord, in thy mercy,
We beseech thee, hear our prayer.

Intercessor: I bid your prayers for all those in need, for the sick_____, and for all those suffering in mind, body, or estate; for elders, for prisoners, for refugees and migrants, for the oppressed, for those who mourn, and for all others for whom our prayers are asked_____. May God grant that they will be comforted by the ever-present love of our Lord. (*Silence.*)

Lord, in thy mercy,
We beseech thee, hear our prayer.

Intercessor: I bid your prayers for the souls of the departed, especially_____ who have died in recent days, and those whose year's mind is at this time _____, that they may share with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Blessed Thomas, and all the saints in God's eternal kingdom. May God grant that their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, rest in peace and rise in glory. (*Silence.*)

Lord, in thy mercy,
We beseech thee, hear our prayer.

Celebrant: Hasten, O Father, the coming of thy kingdom; and grant that we thy servants, who now live by faith, may with joy behold thy Son at his coming in glorious majesty; even Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

INVITATION, CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Ye that do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead the new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways: Draw near with faith, and take this holy Sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to Almighty God, meekly kneeling upon your knees.

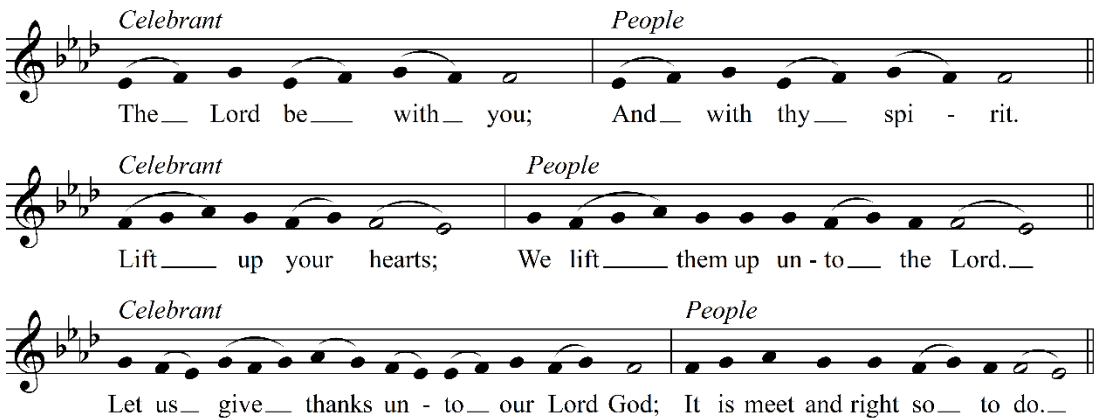
Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men: We acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we from time to time most grievously have committed, By thought, word, and deed, Against thy Divine Majesty. We do earnestly repent, And are heartily sorry for these our misdoings. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may ever hereafter Serve and please thee In newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy Name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Celebrant alone stands to impart the Absolution.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him: Have mercy upon you; pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The People remain kneeling.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER



Celebrant *People*
The__ Lord be__ with__ you; And__ with thy__ spi - rit.

Celebrant *People*
Lift__ up your hearts; We lift__ them up un - to__ the Lord.__

Celebrant *People*
Let us__ give__ thanks un - to__ our Lord God; It is meet and right so__ to do.__

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God, Creator and Preserver of all things. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; whom thou didst exalt as Lord of all creation, that he might present unto thee an eternal and universal kingdom: a kingdom of holiness and grace, a kingdom of justice, love and peace: that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee and saying:

The Choir alone sings:

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

Holy, Holy, Holy,
Lord God of Hosts:
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.
✠ Blessed is he that cometh
in the Name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus,
Dominus Deus Sabaoth:
Pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua.
Hosanna in excelsis.
✠ Benedictus qui venit
in nomine Domini.
Hosanna in excelsis.

The Celebrant continues,

Blessing and glory and thanksgiving be unto thee Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memorial of that his precious death, until his coming again.

Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee; and grant that we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took Bread; and, when he had given thanks, he brake it; and gave it to his disciples, saying, Take, eat; this is my Body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me.

Likewise after supper he took the Cup; and, when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all, of this; for this is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins: Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.

Wherefore, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, we thy humble servants, with all thy holy Church, remembering the precious death of thy beloved Son, his mighty resurrection, and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again in glory, do make before thee, in this sacrament of the holy Bread of eternal life and the Cup of everlasting salvation, the memorial which he hath commanded; And we entirely desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, most humbly beseeching thee to grant, that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion; And we pray that by the power of thy Holy Spirit, all we who are partakers of this holy Communion may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be unto thee,

The musical notation is written on a single staff in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It is divided into two parts: 'Celebrant' and 'People'. The 'Celebrant' part consists of a series of quarter notes: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, followed by a half note G4. The 'People' part consists of a half note G4, followed by a half note A4, and a half note B4. The lyrics are placed below the notes.


Celebrant *People*

O Fa - ther al - might - ty, world with - out end. A - men.

THE LORD'S PRAYER


Music by John Merbecke

Celebrant




And now, as our Sa-viour Christ hath com-mand-ed and taught us, we are bold to say:


People



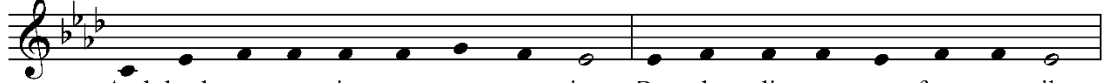
Our Fa-ther, who art in heav'n, Hal-low-ed be thy Name, Thy king-dom come,



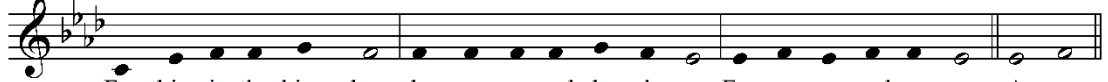
Thy will be done, on earth, as it is in heav'n. Give us this day our dai-ly bread;



and for-give us our tres-pass-es, As we for-give them that tres-pass a-gainst us;



And lead us not in-to temp-ta-tion, But de-li-ver us from ev-il.




For thine is the king-dom, the pow-er and the glo-ry, For ev-er and ev-er. A-men.

FRACTION & PEACE


A period of silence is kept. The consecrated Bread is broken.

Celebrant



The peace of the Lord be al-ways with you.

People



And with thy spi-rit.

PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

All who intend to receive Holy Communion pray together:

We do not presume

to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, Trusting in our own righteousness, But in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy So much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord, Whose property is always to have mercy: Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, So to eat the Flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, And to drink his Blood, That our sinful bodies may be made clean by his Body, And our souls washed through his most precious Blood, And that we may evermore dwell in him, And he in us. Amen.

The Choir alone sings:

AGNUS DEI

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin
of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin
of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin
of the world, grant us thy peace.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,
miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,
miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,
dona nobis pacem.

The Celebrant turns to face the People and says,

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Behold the Lamb of God; behold him that taketh away the sin of the world.

Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldst come under my roof, but speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed.

COMMUNION INSTRUCTIONS

All baptized Christians are warmly invited to receive Communion as directed by the Sidespeople. Please receive the host (bread) on the right palm of the hand (supported underneath by the left palm). To receive the cup, gently guide with your hand the base of the chalice. Please refrain from intinction (dipping the host into the cup), as diocesan policy does not allow us to do so.

Low gluten communion hosts are available upon request. When you approach for communion indicate to the priest that you require a low gluten host.

If you have not been baptized or are not receiving communion, please cross your arms over your chest in the shape of an X to receive a blessing.

If you wish to inquire about baptism for yourself or your child, we would love to speak with you!

COMMUNION DEVOTIONS

An Act of Spiritual Communion, which may be prayed silently by those not receiving:

My Jesus, I believe that thou art truly present in the Holy Sacrament. And since I cannot now receive thee sacramentally, I beseech thee to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself unto thee, and embrace thee with all the affections of my soul. Let me never be separated from thee. Let me live and die in thy love. Amen.

ANIMA CHRISTI

The following devotion may be prayed silently by communicants and non-communicants.

Soul of Christ, sanctify me.
Body of Christ, save me.
Blood of Christ, inebriate me.
Water from the side of Christ, wash me.
Passion of Christ, strengthen me.
O good Jesu, hear me.
Within thy wounds hide me.
Suffer me not to be separated from thee.
From the malicious enemy defend me.
In the hour of my death call me.
And bid me come to thee,
That with thy saints I may praise thee,
For ever and ever. Amen.

MOTET

A Hymn of St. Columba, Benjamin Britten (1913-1976)

Regis regum rectissimi prope est dies domini, dies irae et vindictae, tenebrarum et nebulae, Regis regum rectissimi. Diesque mirabilium tonitruorum fortium, dies quoque angustiae, maeroris ac tristitiae. Regis regum rectissimi. In quo cessabit mulierum amor et desiderium, nominumque contentio mundi hujus et cupido, Regis regum rectissimi prope est dies domini.

King of kings and of lords most high, comes his day of judgement nigh: day of wrath and vengeance stark, day of shadows and cloudy dark. King of kings and of lords most high. Thunder shall rend that day apart, wonder amaze each fearful heart. Anguish and pain and deep distress shall mark that day of bitterness. King of kings and of lords most high. That day the pangs of lust will cease, man's questing heart shall be at peace; then shall the great no more contend and worldly fame be at an end. King of kings and of lords most high.

(attributed to St. Columba, 521-597; English setting by John Andrewes)

The People may sit or kneel for the hymn.

COMMUNION HYMN 494

O Jesu, King most wonderful

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| <p>1 O Jesu, King most wonderful,
Thou Conqueror renowned,
Thou sweetness most ineffable,
In whom all joys are found.</p> <p>2 When once thou visitest the heart,
Then truth begins to shine,
Then earthly vanities depart,
Then kindles love divine.</p> <p>3 O Jesu, Light of all below,
Thou Fount of living fire,
Surpassing all the joys we know,
And all we can desire;</p> | <p>4 Jesu, may all confess thy Name,
Thy wondrous love adore,
And seeking thee, their hearts
inflare
To seek thee more and more.</p> <p>5 Thee, Jesu, may our voices bless,
Thee may we love alone,
And ever in our lives express
The image of thine own.</p> |
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The People kneel.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee that thou dost graciously feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; assuring us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us; and that we are living members of his mystical body, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of thy everlasting kingdom. And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee. And although we are unworthy, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. **Amen.**

BLESSING

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: And the blessing of God Almighty, the ☩ Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

The People stand.

DISMISSAL

The musical notation consists of two staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The top staff is for the Deacon and the bottom staff is for the Congregation. Both staves have a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The Deacon's part begins with a half rest, followed by a melodic line: G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), C5 (quarter), B4-A4 (beamed eighth notes), G4 (quarter), F#4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), D4 (quarter), C4 (half). The Congregation's part begins with a half rest, followed by a melodic line: G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), C5 (quarter), B4-A4 (beamed eighth notes), G4 (quarter), F#4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), D4 (quarter), C4 (half). The lyrics are: De - part _____ in peace. and Thanks _____ be _____ to God.

CONCLUDING HYMN

From glory to glory advancing

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| 1 From glory to glory advancing,
We praise thee, O Lord;
Thy name with the Father and
Spirit
Be ever adored.
From strength unto strength
We go forward on Sion's highway,
To appear before God
In the city of infinite day. | 2 Thanksgiving and glory
And worship and blessing and love,
One heart and one song
Have the saints upon earth and
above.
O Lord, evermore to thy servants
Thy presence be nigh.
Ever fit us by service on earth
For thy service on high. |
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SHEEN
Gustav Holst (1874-1934)

Liturgy of St James
Tr. Charles Humphreys (1840-1921)

VOLUNTARY

Toccata, from *Suite pour orgue, Op. 5*,
Maurice Duruflé (1902-1986)

The People may be seated for the Postlude. Please maintain an atmosphere of reverent silence in the church during and after the Postlude.

Please join us in the Parish Hall for a gala brunch in support of The Household of God.

The Altar flowers are given to the honour and glory of Almighty God.

*Those at the High Altar in loving memory Donald and Phyllis Garden,
from their children.*

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