



ST. AUGUSTINE'S

Episcopal Church in Kapa'au, Hawai'i

A place to BE the love of God and to FEEL the love of God.

HOLY EUCHARIST

in person & livestreamed

February 25, 2024 7:00 am & 9:00 am

Second Sunday in Lent

Observing a Holy Lent

During this season of introspection, you'll notice some changes in our sanctuary and liturgy. These changes provide cues that help us shift gears and attend to our inner spiritual lives as we journey with Jesus on the path to Jerusalem.

In our physical space, you will see that the **altar cross is veiled** and the **altar is draped in purple**, the liturgical color of Lent.

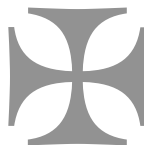
In our liturgy, note that our **opening acclamation** speaks of God's forgiveness, love, and mercy. We share a special **call to worship** to prepare us to listen, open our hearts, and examine our lives. The Gloria is replaced by the **Kyrie**, a solemn moment asking for mercy from our Creator and Christ.

During Holy Communion, the **Eucharistic Prayer is spoken** rather than sung. The **Prayers of the People for the season of Lent** call our awareness to the wilderness journey we travel with Jesus. We sing a more introspective **Fraction Hymn** (fraction is another word for "divide" or "break" and we sing the fraction while the bread is broken at the altar as the presider prepares to share the bread and the wine.)

Immediately after receiving the sacraments, you may choose to make the sign of the cross ✠ (additional places in the liturgy where you may make the sign of the cross are also marked in this order of worship). This is appropriate all year, but you may wish to be particularly intentional about it during Lent. Upon returning to your seat, it is customary to sit in prayerful reflection and during Lent especially, you may choose to kneel (knees allowing).

Finally, at the end of the service, the blessing is replaced with a **solemn prayer over the people** for the season of Lent. As the Deacon pronounces the dismissal, **alleluias are omitted**.

If you would like to learn more about Lent, please join us on Thursday, February 22 at 10:00 am in the sanctuary. All are welcome!



Prelude

Kirk Corey

Opening Hymn *The God of Abraham Praise*

1982 Hymnal # 401



1 The God of A - braham praise, who reigns en - throned a - bove;
2 He by him - self hath sworn: we on his oath de - pend;
3 There dwells the Lord, our King, the Lord, our Right - eous - ness,
4 The God who reigns on high the great arch - an - gels sing,
5 The whole tri - um - phant host give thanks to God on high;



1 An - cient of ev - er - last - ing days, and God of love;
2 we shall, on ea - gle - wings up - borne, to heaven a - scend:
3 tri - um - phant o'er the world and sin, the Prince of Peace;
4 and "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly," cry, "Al - might - y King!
5 "Hail, Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost!" they ev - er cry;



1 the Lord, the great I AM, by earth and heaven con - fessed:
2 we shall be - hold his face, we shall his power a - dore,
3 on Zi - on's sa - cred height his king - dom he main - tains,
4 Who was, and is, the same, and ev - er - more shall be:
5 hail, A - braham's Lord di - vine! With heaven our songs we raise;

we bow and bless the sa - cred Name for ev - er blest.
 and sing the won - ders of his grace for ev - er - more.
 and, glo - rious with his saints in light, for ev - er reigns.
 e - ter - nal Fa - ther, great I AM, we wor - ship thee."
 all might and ma - jes - ty are thine, and end - less praise.

Opening Acclamation

Presider Bless ☩ our Creator, who forgives and loves us.

People **God's mercy endures forever. Amen.**

Call to Worship

Presider "Even now, declares the Lord, return to me with all your heart." (Joel 2:12)

People **Let us roll up our sleeves and prepare.**

Presider Lower your guard.

People **We come in from the storm.**

Presider Make yourself at home in this sacred place.

People **We come to your table.**

Presider Release tension in your mind, body, and spirit. Take a deep breath and return to God with all your heart.

People **May it be so.**

Kyrie - O Ka Haku Ha 'awi Aloha No

by Mila Polevia

O Ka Ha - ku, ku' - u Ha - ku ha' - a - wi ha' - a - wi a - Kris - to, Ie - su Kris - to, ha' - a - wi ha' - a - wi a - lo - ha no. O Ka Ha - ku, ku' - u Ha - ku ha' - a - wi, ha' - Ie - su Kris - to, Ie - su Kris - to ha' - a - wi, ha' - a - wi a - lo - ha no. Ie - su no. Ha' - a - wi a - lo - ha no. Ha' - a - wi a - lo - ha no.

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Translation: Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy.

Collect

Presider God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

Presider God of dispossession, you rebuke our refusal to give up our idols, separate and safe; send us with Jesus on the way of the cross, that we might lose our love of death and take the risk of life, through Jesus Christ, the new covenant. Amen.

Source: *Prayers for an Inclusive Church*. Steven Shakespeare.

Please be seated.

The Lessons

The First Lesson

Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the Lord appeared to Abram, and said to him, "I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous." Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, "As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you.

God said to Abraham, "As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her."

Reader Here ends the reading.

People **May Spirit open our hearts and minds.**

The Psalm

We will read the Psalm responsively by half verse.

Psalm 22:22-30 *Deus, Deus meus*

Praise the Lord, you that fear him; *

**stand in awe of him, O offspring of Israel;
all you of Jacob's line, give glory.**

For he does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty;

neither does he hide his face from them; *

but when they cry to him he hears them.

My praise is of him in the great assembly; *

I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship him.

The poor shall eat and be satisfied,

and those who seek the Lord shall praise him: *

"May your heart live for ever!"

All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord, *
and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.

For kingship belongs to the Lord; *
he rules over the nations.

To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship; *
all who go down to the dust fall before him.

My soul shall live for him;
my descendants shall serve him; *
they shall be known as the Lord'S for ever.

They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn *
the saving deeds that he has done.

The Epistle

Romans 4:13-25

For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations") –in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So numerous shall your descendants be." He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. Therefore his faith "was reckoned to him as righteousness." Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone, but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

Reader Here ends the reading.
People **May Spirit open our hearts and minds.**

Please stand as you are able.

Gospel Acclamation

Not on bread alone

by Mila Polevia

We will not on - ly live on bread a - lone, but on e - very
word that comes down from your throne. Streams in a bar - ren land, ____
food in a time of fa - mine. Speak, O Giv-er of Life; your ser-vants wait on your voice.

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The Gospel

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Mark. ✠

People **Glory to you, O Christ.**

Mark 8:31-38

Jesus began to teach his disciples that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.

Deacon The Gospel of our Savior.

People **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Please be seated.

The Sermon

The Rev. Jennifer Masada

Music for reflection and gathering of prayers. Please hand them to Deacon Lani.

The Affirmation of Faith

We believe in God, who creates all things,
who embraces all things, who celebrates all things,
who is present in every part of the fabric of creation.

We believe in God as the source of all life,
who baptizes this planet with living water.

We believe in Jesus Christ, the suffering one, the poor one,
the malnourished one, the refugee,
who loves and cares for this world
and who suffers with it.

And we believe in Jesus Christ, the seed of life,
who came to reconcile and renew this world
and everything in it.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the breath of God,
who moves with God
and who moves among and with us today.

We believe in everlasting life in God.

And we believe in the hope that one day
God will put an end to death and all destructive forces. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Deacon In this holy season of Lent, let us offer our prayers to God, who leads us
 through the wilderness.

 For the church, that in this season of repentance, it may acknowledge its
 own shortcomings and turn to God's healing grace.

 (The people may add their prayers silently or aloud.)

Deacon God of love and mercy,
People **Show us through the wilderness.**

Deacon For our world, that angels might still wait on those who wander among the beasts of poverty, hunger, and oppression.
(The people may add their prayers silently or aloud.)

Deacon God of love and mercy,
People **Show us through the wilderness.**

Deacon For our nation and our leaders, that they may have the courage to guard the rights of those who are poor or powerless,
(The people may add their prayers silently or aloud.)

Deacon God of love and mercy,
People **Show us through the wilderness.**

Deacon For those who suffer, for desperate cries and silent tears, that we may hear and see; that we may love and bless, and that with Christ we may offer peace.
(The people may add their prayers silently or aloud.)

Deacon God of love and mercy,
People **Show us through the wilderness.**

Deacon For the place where we live, that we open ourselves to examine the places nearby where our neighbors wait for justice, and equality, and acceptance.
(The people may add their prayers silently or aloud.)

Deacon God of love and mercy,
People **Show us through the wilderness.**

Deacon For our special concerns and hopes as we examine our own hearts, and thoughts, and actions.
(The people may add their prayers silently or aloud.)

Deacon God of love and mercy,
People **Show us through the wilderness.**

Deacon For all who have died, that they may rest completely and joyfully in You, O God, even as they join with you to lead us through the wilderness.
(The people may add their prayers silently or aloud.)

Deacon God of love and mercy,
People **You will bring us home.**

Closing Collect for the Prayers of the People

Presider God of wilderness and water, your Son was baptized and tempted as we are. Guide us through this season, that we may not avoid struggle, but open ourselves to repentance and blessing, through Jesus the Christ. **Amen.**

*Adapted by Susanne Watson Epting from Revised Common Lectionary Prayers,
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Confession of Sin

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

[A time of silence is observed.]

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.**

Presider 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.**

The Queen's Prayer

by Queen Lili'uokalani

1. 'O kou a - lo - ha nō A - i - a i - ka la - ni,
2. Ko'u no - ho mi - hi 'ana A pa - 'a - ha - o 'i - a,
3. Mai nā - nā 'i - no - 'ino Nā he - wa o kā - na - ka,
4. No - lai - la e ka Haku Ma la - lo kou 'ē - he - u,

A 'o Kou 'o - ia 'i - 'o He he - mo - le - le ho'i.
'O 'o - e ku - 'u la - ma Kou na - ni ko - 'u ko'o.
A - kā e hu - i - ka - la A ma - 'e - ma - 'e nō.
Kō mā - kou ma - lu - hi - a A mau loa a - ku nō. 'Ā - me - ne.

Translation of The Queen's Prayer:

Your loving mercy is as high as heaven and your truth so perfect. I live in sorrow, imprisoned. You are my light. Your glory, my support. Behold not with malevolence the sins of man, but forgive and cleanse. And so, O God, protect us beneath your winds and let peace be our portion now and forever more. Amen.

Please be seated.

The Peace

Announcement of birthday and anniversary celebrations for the coming week.

Presider The Peace of Christ be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

The Holy Communion

Offertory

All **We come with offerings of our time, our money, our strength, our pleasure in one another's company. All these we bring to God in dedication and for use in the glory of the realm of God.**

1 O Mas - ter, let me walk with thee in low - ly
 2 Help me the slow of heart to move by some clear,
 3 Teach me thy pa - tience; still with thee in clos - er,
 4 in hope that sends a shin - ing ray far down the

paths of ser - vice free; tell me thy se - cret;
 win - ning word of love; teach me the way - ward
 dear - er com - pa - ny, in work that keeps faith
 fu - ture's broad - ening way, in peace that on - ly

help me bear the strain of toil, the fret of care.
 feet to stay, and guide them in the home - ward way.
 sweet and strong, in trust that tri - umphs o - ver wrong,
 thou canst give, with thee, O Mas - ter, let me live.

The Great Thanksgiving

Please stand as you are able.

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

The Presider continues,

You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

Sanctus

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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._____

The Presider continues,

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love.

You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Presider and People	Dying, you destroyed our death.
	Rising, you restored our life.
	Christ Jesus, come in glory!

The Presider continues,

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Lifting the bread and wine, the presider says:

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer is spoken at 7:00 am and sung at 9:00 am.

Presider And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to sing,

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 debts,
as we forgive our debtors.
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

Fraction Hymn *Blessed are those*

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Antiphon
Cantor; then All

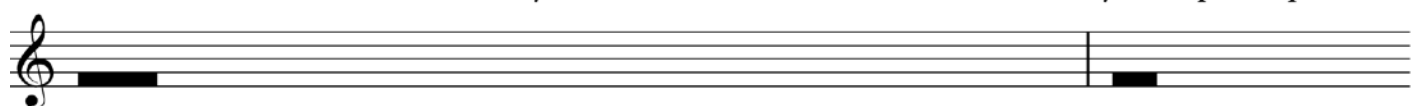


Bles - sed are those who are called to the Sup - per of the Lamb.

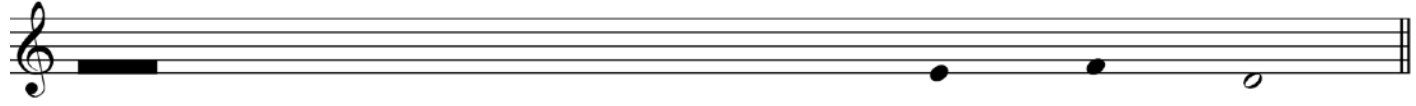
Cantor



Praise the Lord, all you nations; laud him, all you peo - ples.



For his loving - kindness toward us is great, and the



faithfulness of the Lord endures for ev - er. [Ant.]

Presider These are the gifts of God for the people of God.

Instructions for receiving the sacraments

You are invited to come up, row by row, to receive the sacraments of bread and wine. The usher will guide you. If you would like to receive communion at your seat, please tell the usher; the priest and deacon will come to you.

At the font

The waters of our font remind us of the waters that flow mauka to makai through this ahupua'a we enjoy with respect and honor for the Ali'i who granted permission. We are connected to the āina, God, and one another. We pause at the font to remember our baptismal vows that recall us to our Creator and remind us to care for all people in this community, in our diocese, and all creation. In remembrance of the sacrament of baptism, we anoint one another.

As you approach the front of the church, you are invited to dip a finger in the font water, turn to the person behind you, and anoint them with water, making a small cross on their forehead. If you prefer not to be anointed, simply cross your arms and the attendant will anoint the person behind you.

Receiving the bread and wine

To receive the bread (also called the host), extend your hands with palms flat. The priest will place the host on your palm with the words "The Body of Christ, the Bread of heaven." Please indicate if you would prefer gluten-free.

To receive the wine, you may drink directly from the chalice. The deacon will say "the Blood of Christ, the cup of Salvation."

If you prefer, you may dip a small part the host in the wine. This is called intinction. Please dip carefully so that your fingers do not touch the wine. The deacon will say "the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ keep you in everlasting life."

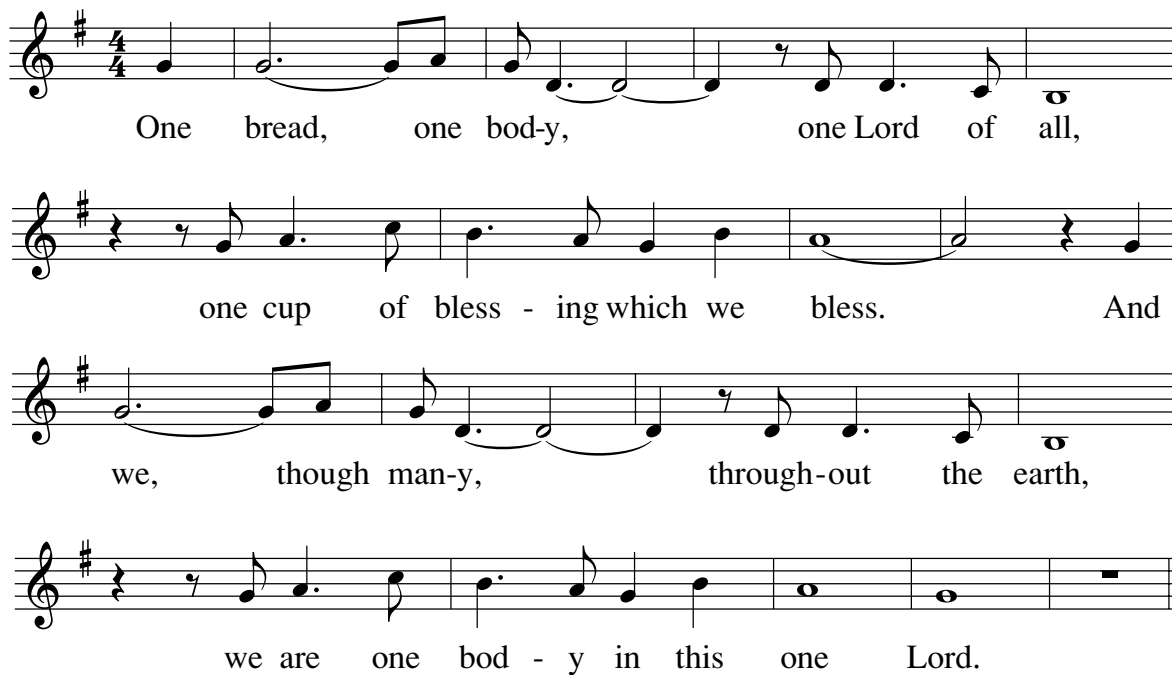
Receiving bread only

If you do not wish to partake in the wine, simply cross your arms over your chest. Consuming the host is considered the full sacrament of Holy Communion. After receiving the sacraments, you may make the sign of the cross ✠.

Receiving a blessing

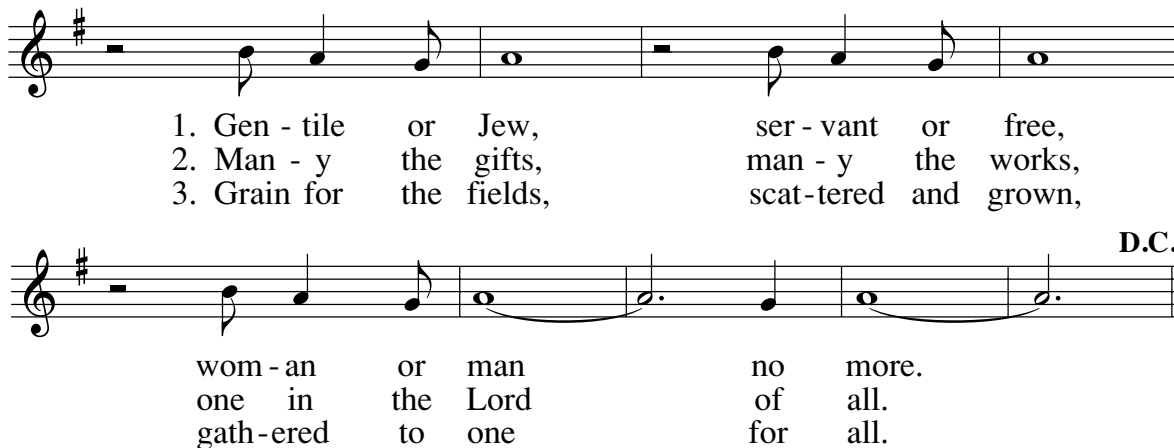
If you do not wish to receive either the bread or the wine but would like a blessing, you are invited to come forward, arms crossed, to receive the blessing.

Refrain



One bread, one bod-y, one Lord of all,
 one cup of bless - ing which we bless. And
 we, though man-y, through-out the earth,
 we are one bod - y in this one Lord.

Verses



1. Gen - tile or Jew, ser - vant or free,
 2. Man - y the gifts, man - y the works,
 3. Grain for the fields, scat-tered and grown,
 wom - an or man no more.
 one in the Lord of all.
 gath-ered to one for all.

D.C.

Please stand as you are able.

Presider Let us pray.

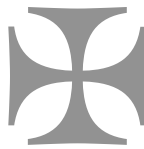
All **Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

Solemn Lenten prayer over the people

Deacon Bow down before God.

[Silence is kept.]

Presider Look with compassion, O Lord, upon these your people; that, rightly observing this holy season, they may learn to know you more fully and to serve you with a quiet mind and attentive heart. All this we pray in the name of Christ, who is our constant companion. **Amen.**





1. O love, how deep, how broad, how high, how pass - ing
2. He sent no an - gel to our race, of high - er
3. For us bap - tized, for us He bore His ho - ly
4. For us to wick - ed men be - trayed, scourged, mocked, in



thought and fan - ta - sy, that God, the Son of
or of low - er place, but wore the robe of
fast, and hun - gered sore; for us temp - ta - tions
crown of thorns ar - rayed, He bore the shame - ful



God, should take our mor - tal form for mor - tals' sake!
hu - man frame, and He Him - self to this world came.
sharp He knew, for us the tempt - er ov - er - threw.
cross and death for us at length gave up His breath.

5. For us He rose from death again,
for us He went on high to reign,
for us He sent His Spirit here
to guide, to strengthen, and to cheer.

6. All glory to our Lord and God
for love so deep, so high, so broad—
the Trinity whom we adore
forever and forevermore.

The Dismissal

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude *Fugue*, Johann Erasmus Kindermann (1616-1655)

Kirk Corey



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