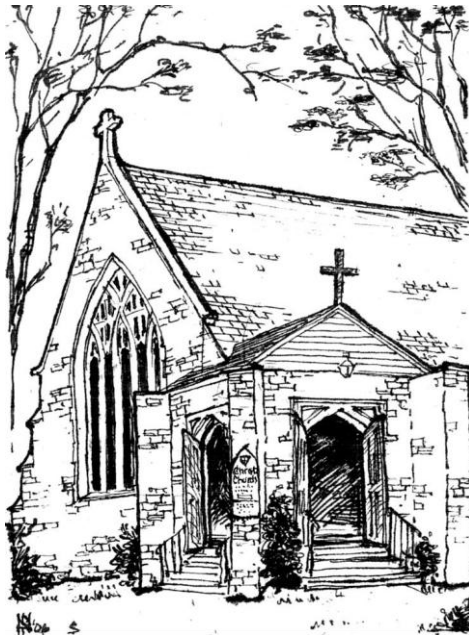


**CHRIST CHURCH PARISH
EPISCOPAL**

9:00 AM

The Third Sunday after Pentecost

June 14, 2026



WELCOME

Christ Church is an Episcopal Parish in the Diocese of Massachusetts. We welcome and honor the God-given gifts that make us unique as individuals and strong as community. You and your family are welcome regardless of age, ethnicity, sexual orientation, marital status or prior religious affiliation.

A Note to Parents and Caregivers with Children in Church

Thank you for bringing your children to church. We are so glad you are here!

We know it can be difficult at times to manage little ones during the service.

For that reason, we have provided some resources which we hope will make it easier for you and your family to enjoy worship together.

You will find books and coloring pages at the back of the Mary Chapel. Please feel free to utilize these at any point during the service.

We have installed a TV in the nursery! You are welcome to visit the nursery with your child during any portion of our service and join us via our livestream.

It is okay to take breaks. If you need to step out with your child, our parish grounds are a great place to get the wiggles out.

Above all, please remember: You and your family are very welcome here!

Though your children may be squirming, talking, or making noise, they are also observing, copying, and learning. Children are a gift and an important part of our community; we are grateful to have them worship with us.

Hearing assistance devices are available in labeled baskets by the sanctuary entrances.

PRELUDE

Aria Bist du bei mir (*Art thou with me*) by J. S. Bach

OPENING SENTENCE

The Officiant says

The hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for such the Father seeks to worship him.

The Officiant welcomes the People and invites them into a time of silent prayer before worship.

OPENING HYMN

Heal me, hands of Jesus

WLP 773



1. Heal me, hands of Je-sus, and search out all my pain: re -
2. Cleanse me, blood of Je-sus, take bit - ter-ness a - way; let
3. Know me, mind of Je-sus, and show me all my sin; dis -
4. Fill me, joy of Je-sus: anx - i - e - ty shall cease and

store my hope, re - move my fear and bring me peace a - gain.
me for - give as one for-given and bring me peace to - day.
pel the mem - o - ries of guilt, and bring me peace with - in.
heaven's se - ren - i - ty be mine, for Je - sus brings me peace!

OPENING PRAYERS

All stand

Officiant

Lord, open our lips.

People

And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Officiant and People

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Alleluia.

INVITATORY

Venite

1982 Hymnal S 35

1. Come, let us sing to the

Lord; let us shout for joy to the Rock of our sal -

va - tion. 2. Let us come be-fore his pres-ence with thanks - giv - ing

and raise a loud shout to him with psalms. 3. For the

Lord is a great God, and a great King a - bove all

gods. 4. In his hand are the cav-erns of the earth,

_____ and the heights of the hills are his al - so. _____ 5. The
 sea is his, for he made it, _____ and his hands have
 mold - ed the dry land. _____ 6. Come, let us bow down, and bend the
 knee, _____ and kneel be-fore the Lord our Ma - ker. _____ 7. For
 he is our God, _____ and we are the peo-ple of his
 pas - ture _____ and the sheep of his hand. _____
 _____ Oh, that to - day you would heark-en to his voice! _____

PSALTER:

Psalm 100

¹Be joyful in the LORD, all you lands; *
 serve the LORD with gladness
 and come before his presence with a song.

²Know this: The LORD himself is God; *
 he himself has made us, and we are his;
 we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

³Enter his gates with thanksgiving;
go into his courts with praise; *
give thanks to him and call upon his Name.

⁴For the LORD is good;
his mercy is everlasting; *
and his faithfulness endures from age to age.

At the end of the Psalm is sung or said

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

FIRST READING:

Exodus 19:2-8a

The people sit.

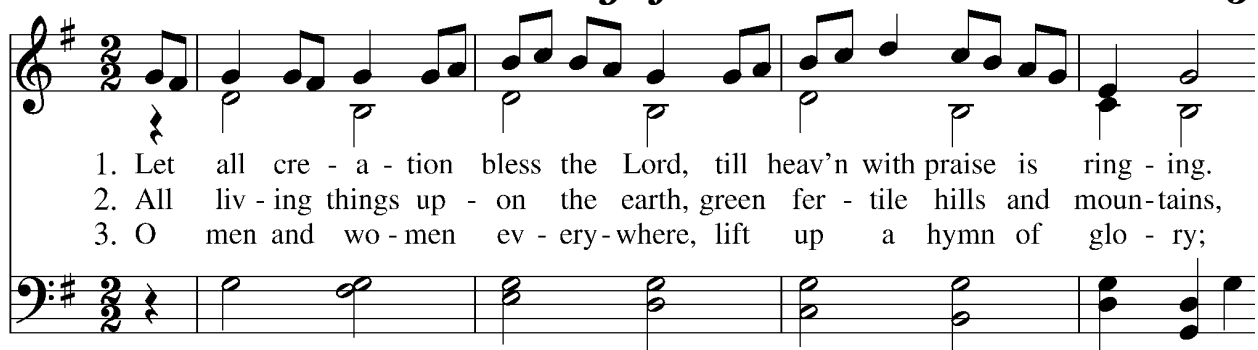
A Reading from the book of Exodus.

They traveled from Rephidim, came into the Sinai desert, and set up camp there. Israel camped there in front of the mountain while Moses went up to God. The LORD called to him from the mountain, "This is what you should say to Jacob's household and declare to the Israelites: You saw what I did to the Egyptians, and how I lifted you up on eagles' wings and brought you to me. So now, if you faithfully obey me and stay true to my covenant, you will be my most precious possession out of all the peoples, since the whole earth belongs to me. You will be a kingdom of priests for me and a holy nation. These are the words you should say to the Israelites." So Moses came down, called together the people's elders, and set before them all these words that the LORD had commanded him. The people all responded with one voice: "Everything that the LORD has said we will do." Moses reported to the LORD what the people said.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Silence may follow.

CANTICLE***A Song of Creation*****WLP 885**

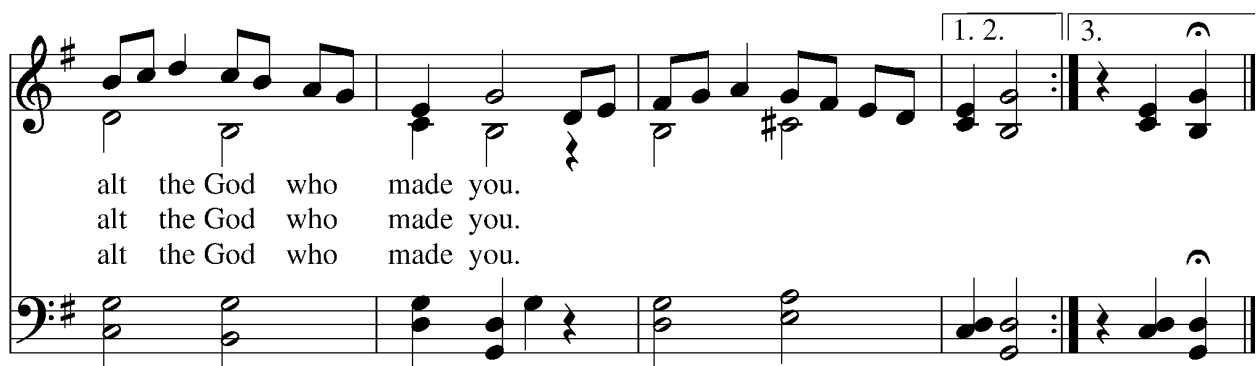
1. Let all cre - a - tion bless the Lord, till heav'n with praise is ring - ing.
2. All liv - ing things up - on the earth, green fer - tile hills and moun-tains,
3. O men and wo - men ev - ery - where, lift up a hymn of glo - ry;



Sun, moon, and stars, peal out a chord, stir up the an - gels' sing - ing.
sing to the God who gave you birth; be joy - ful, springs and foun-tains.
let all who know God's stead - fast care tell our sal - va - tion's sto - ry.



Sing, wind and rain! Sing, snow and sleet! Make mu - sic, day, night, cold and heat: ex -
Lithe wa - ter life, bright air-borne birds, wild rov - ing beast, tame flocks and herds: ex -
No tongue be si - lent; sing your part, you hum - ble souls and meek of heart: ex -



alt the God who made you.
alt the God who made you.
alt the God who made you.

THE PRAYERS

The people stand or kneel

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Officiant Let us pray.

**Our Father in heaven,
 hallowed be your Name,
 your kingdom come,
 your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
 as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
 and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
 and the glory are yours,
 now and forever. Amen.**

V. Help us, O God our Savior;

R. Deliver us and forgive us our sins.

V. Look upon your congregation;

R. Give to your people the blessing of peace.

V. Declare your glory among the nations;

R. And your wonders among all peoples.

V. Do not let the oppressed be shamed and turned away;

R. Never forget the lives of your poor.

V. Continue your loving-kindness to those who know you;

R. And your favor to those who are true of heart.

V. Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning;

R. So shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Great Litany

Holy God, Creator of heaven and earth,
Have mercy on us.

Holy and Mighty, Redeemer of the world,
Have mercy on us.

Holy Immortal One, Sanctifier of the faithful,
Have mercy on us.

Holy, blessed and glorious Trinity, One God,
Have mercy on us.

From all evil and mischief; from pride, vanity and hypocrisy; from envy,
hatred and malice; and from all evil intent,
Savior deliver us.

From sloth, worldliness and love of money; from hardness of heart and
contempt for your word and your laws,
Savior deliver us.

From sins of body and mind; from deceits of the world, flesh and the devil,
Savior deliver us.

From famine and disaster; from violence, murder, and dying unprepared,
Savior deliver us.

In all times of sorrow; in all times of joy; in the hour of our death and at the
day of judgment,
Savior deliver us.

By the mystery of your holy incarnation; by your birth, childhood and
obedience; by your baptism, fasting and temptation,
Savior deliver us.

By your ministry in word and work; by your mighty acts of power; by the
preaching of your reign,
Savior deliver us.

By your agony and trial; by your cross and passion; by your precious death and burial,

Savior deliver us.

By your mighty resurrection; by your glorious ascension; and by your sending of the Holy Spirit,

Savior deliver us.

Hear our prayers, O Christ our God.

Hear us, O Christ.

Strengthen those who stand; comfort and help the fainthearted; raise up the fallen; and finally beat down Satan under our feet.

Hear us, O Christ.

Comfort and liberate the lonely, the bereaved and the oppressed.

Hear us, O Christ.

Keep in safety those who travel and all who are in peril.

Hear us, O Christ.

Heal the sick in body, mind or spirit and provide for the homeless, the hungry and the destitute.

Hear us, O Christ.

Guard and protect all children who are in danger.

Hear us, O Christ.

Shower your compassion on prisoners, hostages and refugees, and all who are in trouble.

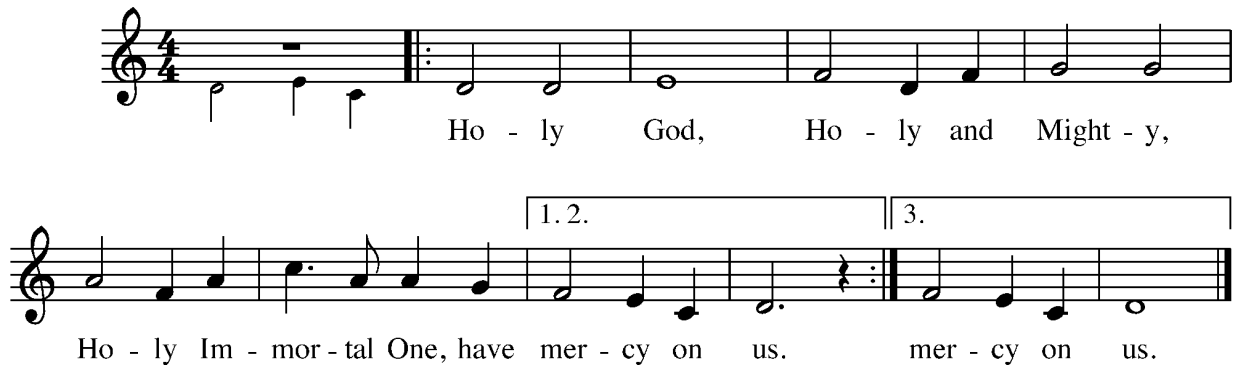
Hear us, O Christ.

Forgive our enemies, persecutors and slanderers, and turn their hearts.

Hear us, O Christ.

Give us true repentance; forgive us our sins of negligence and ignorance and our deliberate sins; and grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit to amend our lives according to your word.

All stand



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Ante-Communion

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Officiant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Officiant Let us pray.

Keep, O Lord, your household the Church in your steadfast faith and love, that through your grace we may proclaim your truth with boldness, and minister your justice with compassion; for the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

SECOND READING:

Romans 5:1-8

The people sit.

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Church in Rome.

Therefore, since we have been made righteous through his faithfulness, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. We have access by faith into this grace in which we stand through him, and we boast in the hope of God's glory. But not only that! We even take pride in our problems, because we know that trouble produces endurance, endurance produces character, and character produces hope. This hope doesn't put us to shame,

because the love of God has been poured out in our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us. While we were still weak, at the right moment, Christ died for ungodly people. It isn't often that someone will die for a righteous person, though maybe someone might dare to die for a good person. But God shows his love for us, because while we were still sinners Christ died for us.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Silence may follow.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Celtic Alleluia

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GOSPEL:

Matthew 9:35--10:8

The people sit.

All stand.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

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

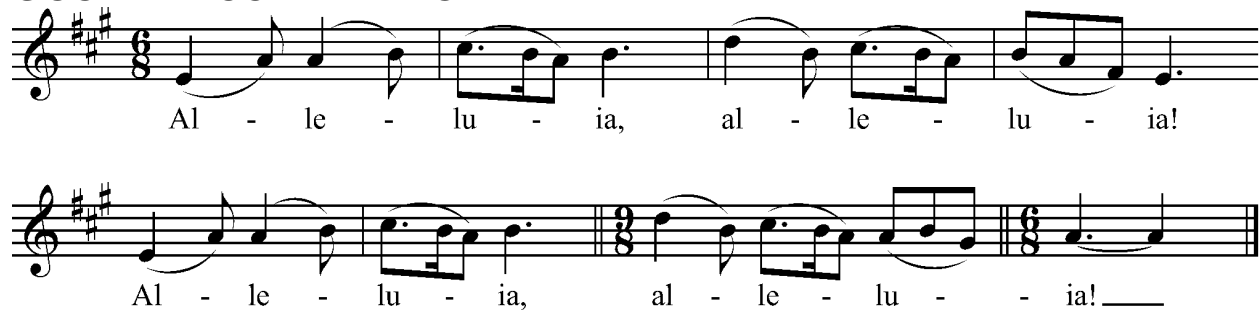
Jesus traveled among all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, announcing the good news of the kingdom, and healing every disease and every sickness. Now when Jesus saw the crowds, he had compassion for them because they were troubled and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, "The size of the harvest is bigger than you can imagine, but there are few workers. Therefore, plead with the Lord of the harvest to send out workers for his harvest." He called his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits to throw them out and to heal every disease and every sickness. Here are the names

of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, who is called Peter; and Andrew his brother; James the son of Zebedee; and John his brother; Philip; and Bartholomew; Thomas; and Matthew the tax collector; James the son of Alphaeus; and Thaddaeus; Simon the Cananaean; and Judas, who betrayed Jesus. Jesus sent these twelve out and commanded them, “Don’t go among the Gentiles or into a Samaritan city. Go instead to the lost sheep, the people of Israel. As you go, make this announcement: ‘The kingdom of heaven has come near.’ Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse those with skin diseases, and throw out demons. You received without having to pay. Therefore, give without demanding payment.

Reader **The Word of the Lord.**

People **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



SERMON

The Rev. Deacon James Thomas

Silence may follow.

THE CREED

Officiant and People together, all standing.

**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,
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.**

INTERCESSIONS

All remain standing.

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for Sean our Presiding Bishop, Julia, Ian and Mary our Bishops; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people.

Pray for the Church.

Silence

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people.

Pray for justice and peace.

Silence

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison.

Pray for those in any need or trouble.

Silence

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him.
Pray that they may find and be found by him.
Silence

I ask your prayers for the departed, especially Paul Giaccaglia in whose
honor and memory the high altar flowers have been given.
Pray for those who have died.
Silence

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored.
Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.
Silence

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

THE PEACE

Officiant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

*Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of
the Lord.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

The Officiant says:

Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and
labor to the Lord.

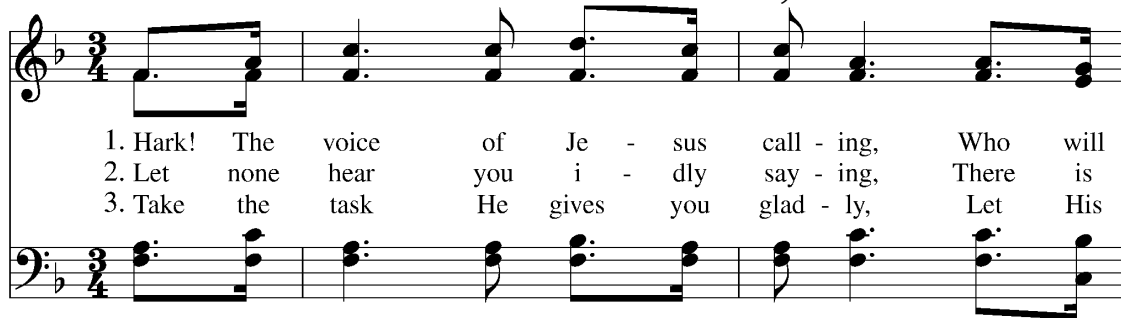
*If you wish to make a gift to support the ministries of
Christ Church Parish, you may place your offering in the
plate, or scan the QR code to the right to donate online.
Thank you!*



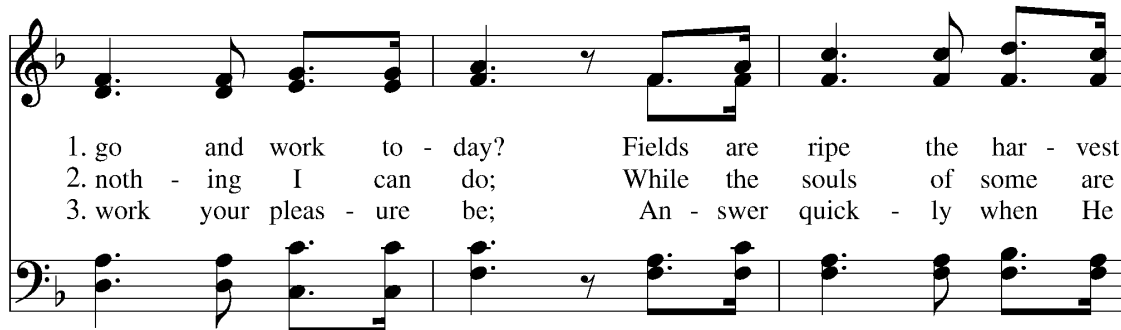
OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Here Am I, Send Me

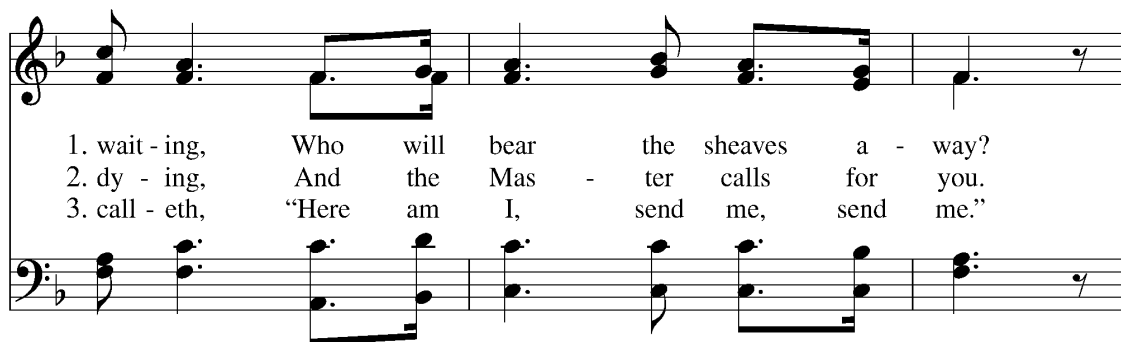
LEVAS 126



1. Hark! The voice of Je - sus call - ing, Who will
 2. Let none hear you i - dly say - ing, There is
 3. Take the task He gives you glad - ly, Let His



1. go and work to - day? Fields are ripe the har - vest
 2. noth - ing I can do; While the souls of some are
 3. work your pleas - ure be; An - swer quick - ly when He



1. wait - ing, Who will bear the sheaves a - way?
 2. dy - ing, And the Mas - ter calls for you.
 3. call - eth, "Here am I, send me, send me."



Loud and long the Mas - ter call - eth, Rich re - ward He of - fers free;



Who will an - swer, glad - ly say - ing, "Here am I, send me, send me."

TABLE PRAYERS

Assist us mercifully, O God, in these our supplications and prayers, and direct the way of your servants toward the attainment of everlasting salvation; that, among all the changes and chances of this mortal life, they may ever be defended by your gracious and ready help; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Grant, we ask you, O God, that the words which we have heard this day with our outward ears, may, through your grace, be so grafted inwardly in our hearts, that they may bring forth in us the fruit of good living to the honor and praise of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Go before us, O God, in all our doings with your most gracious favor, and assist us with your very present help, that in all our works begun, continued, and ended in you, we may glorify your holy Name, and finally, by your mercy, obtain everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

O God, the fountain of all wisdom, you know our necessities before we ask and our ignorance in asking; have compassion on our infirmities, and those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask, grant us for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

O God, you have promised to hear the petitions of those who ask in your Son's Name: Mercifully incline your ear to us who have now made our prayers and supplications to you; and grant that those things which we have faithfully asked according to your will may be effectively obtained, to the relief of our necessity and to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN***On Eagle's Wings*****WLP 810**

1. You who dwell in the shel - ter of the Lord, who a -
2. Snares of the fowl - er will nev - er cap - ture you, and
3. For to the an - gels God's giv - en a com - mand to

bide in his sha - dow for life, say to the Lord: "My
fam - ine will bring you no fear; un - der God's wings your
guard you in all of your ways; up - on their hands they will

ref - uge, my rock in whom I trust!"
ref - uge with faith - ful - ness your shield.
bear you up, lest you dash your foot a - gainst a stone.

Refrain



“And I will raise you up on ea - gle’s wings,
 bear you on the breath of dawn, make you to shine like the
 sun, and hold you in the palm of my hand.”

CONCLUDING PRAYERS

Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

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