

THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude

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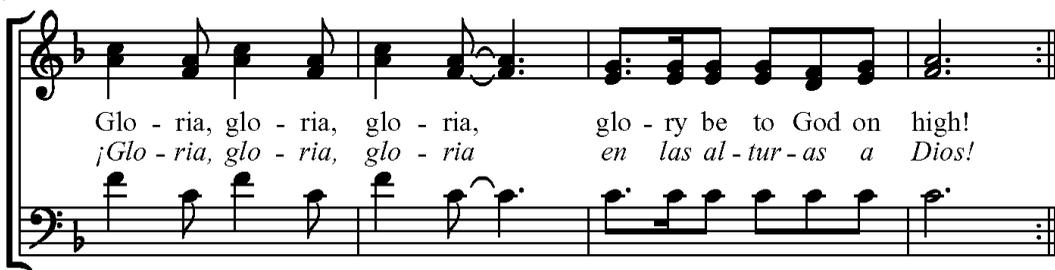
Please stand at the Celebrant's Invitation

Blessed be God: † Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

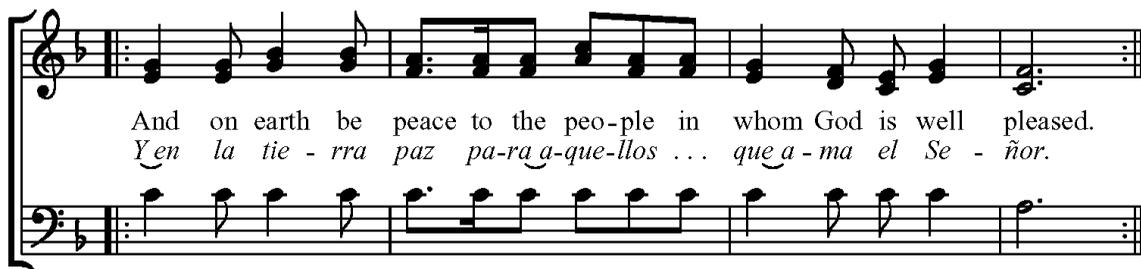
People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Gloria



Glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ry be to God on high!
¡Glo - ria, glo - ria, glo - ria en las al - tur - as a Dios!



And on earth be peace to the peo-ple in whom God is well pleased.
Yen la tie - rra paz pa-ra a-que-llos ... que a - ma el Se - ñor.

The Collect of the Day.

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your 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 lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Celebrant says to the people

The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

The Celebrant prays the collect.

People **Amen.**

The Lessons and the Psalm.

The people sit. The Lessons, as appointed, are read:

The first Reader saying...

A Reading from Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

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.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm is read either in unison or responsively; please listen to the instructions from the reader.

Psalm 100

- 1 Be joyful in the LORD, all you lands; *
serve the LORD with gladness
and come before his presence with a song.
- 2 Know 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.
- 3 Enter his gates with thanksgiving;
go into his courts with praise; *
give thanks to him and call upon his Name.

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

The Second Reader saying...

A Reading from Ephesians 1:15-23

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward 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.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Gradual Hymn. Crown Him With Many Crowns (vs 1-3)

1 Crown him with many crowns,
the Lamb upon his throne;
Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns
all music but its own;
awake, my soul, and sing of him
who died for thee,
and hail him as thy matchless King
through all eternity.

2 Crown him the Son of God
before the worlds began,
and ye, who tread where he hath trod,
crown him the Son of man;
who every grief hath known
that wrings the human breast,
and takes and bears them for his own,
that all in him may rest.

3 Crown him the Lord of life,
who triumphed over the grave,
and rose victorious in the strife
for those he came to save;
his glories now we sing,
who died, and rose on high,
who died, eternal life to bring,
and lives that death may die.

Author: Matthew Bridges, 1800-1894

Please stand as you are able.

Then, all standing, the Celebrant reads the Gospel, first saying

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew 25:31-46

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.”

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

After the Gospel, the Reader says

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon: The Lord of the Least

The Rev. Tom Baker

The Nicene Creed.

Please stand as you are able.

**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:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
 he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
 and was made man.
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.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He 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.

The Prayers of the People

Leader

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

We give you thanks and praise, Lord Jesus Christ, that you have called us into
your fellowship:

For those who first taught us to pray and opened the gospel to us;
We give you thanks.

For those who stood with us at the font;
We give you thanks.

For the abundant grace of baptism, by which we were granted forgiveness and a place in the kingdom;
We give you thanks.

For the faith we confessed in the Creed and the call we accepted in the Baptismal Covenant;
We give you thanks.

For the gifts of the Holy Spirit and the sign of the cross, marking us as your own;
We give you thanks.

We give you thanks and praise, Lord Jesus Christ, that you have welcomed us at your table;
We give you thanks.

For the joy of worship with our brothers and sisters;
We give you thanks.

For the Word proclaimed and heard anew week by week;
We give you thanks.

For hearing our prayers on behalf of the world, for those we love, and for our own needs;
We give you thanks.

For accepting our gifts and making them part of your eternal offering to the Father;
We give you thanks.

For giving us a place within the awe-filled hymn of all creation;

We give you thanks.

For the regular remembrance of your passion, death, and resurrection;

We give you thanks.

For the outward signs of the inward grace you so freely give into our hands;

We give you thanks.

For the peace that passes understanding and the joy of service;

We give you thanks.

Celebrant

Confession of Sin and Absolution.

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**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.**

The Bishop when present, or the Priest, says

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 Peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Announcements and Greetings.

The Offertory.

Ascribe to the Lord the honor due his name; bring offerings and come into his courts.

Presentation of the Gifts of the People.

Doxology

Thomas Ken

"Genevan Psalter"

G D Em Bm Em D G D Em C G D

1. Praise God from whom all bless - ings flow. Praise Him, all crea - tures here be - low.

Em D G D G C F G Em D Am G D7 G

Praise Him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly host. Praise Fa - ther, Son and Ho - ly Ghost.

The musical score is written for guitar and voice. It consists of two systems. The first system has a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The chords are G, D, Em, Bm, Em, D, G, D, Em, C, G, D. The lyrics are "1. Praise God from whom all bless - ings flow. Praise Him, all crea - tures here be - low." The second system also has a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp. The chords are Em, D, G, D, G, C, F, G, Em, D, Am, G, D7, G. The lyrics are "Praise Him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly host. Praise Fa - ther, Son and Ho - ly Ghost." The bass line is written in a lower register with a bass clef.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The people remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and says

The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

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

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

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Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho-ly Lord God of
hosts. Heav-en 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. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or to lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

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

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.

Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

We remember his death,

We proclaim his resurrection,

We await his coming in glory;

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us † to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Saint Aidan and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

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

People and Celebrant

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread.

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

The bread we break is a sharing in the Body of Christ.

We being many are one bread, one body, for we all share in the one bread.

A spiritual communion is a devotional action that anyone can pray. It expresses the desire to receive Holy Communion at a moment where circumstances impede them from actually receiving the consecrated bread and wine.

Celebrant and People

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving as I proclaim your resurrection. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot receive you in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The Communion of the People

All lovers and seekers of God are welcome to receive Holy Communion. To receive the bread, raise your palms, crossed and upward. To receive the wine, assist the minister in guiding the cup to your lips, or dip the bread in the wine. If you prefer instead to receive a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest.

The Bread and the Cup are given with these words

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. [**Amen.**]

The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. [**Amen.**]

Communion Music.

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No Sending forth of the Eucharistic Visitors or Post Communion Hymn

We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread.

The Post-Communion Prayer.

Let us pray.

**Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Blessing.

Go in safety, for you cannot go where God is not; go in love, for love alone endures; go in peace, for that is God's gift to those who are in Jesus Christ; and the blessing of God † the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, rest upon you this day, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

The Recessional Hymn *Praise the Lord Through Every Nation*

1 Praise the Lord through every nation;
his holy arm hath wrought salvation;
exalt him on his Father's throne.

Praise your King, ye Christian legions,
who now prepares in heavenly regions
unfailing mansions for his own:

with voice and minstrelsy

extol his majesty:

Allelujah!

His praise shall sound all nature round,
and hymns on every tongue abound.

2 Jesus, Lord, our Captain glorious,
o'er sin, and death, and hell victorious,
wisdom and might to thee belong:

we confess, proclaim, adore thee;

we bow the knee, we fall before thee;

thy love henceforth shall be our song.

The cross meanwhile we bear,

the crown ere long to wear:

Allelujah!

Thy reign extend world without end;

let praise from all to thee ascend.

Author: Rhijnvis Feith (1753-1824)

Please stand as you are able.

The Dismissal.

Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia!

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!!**

Postlude

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