

The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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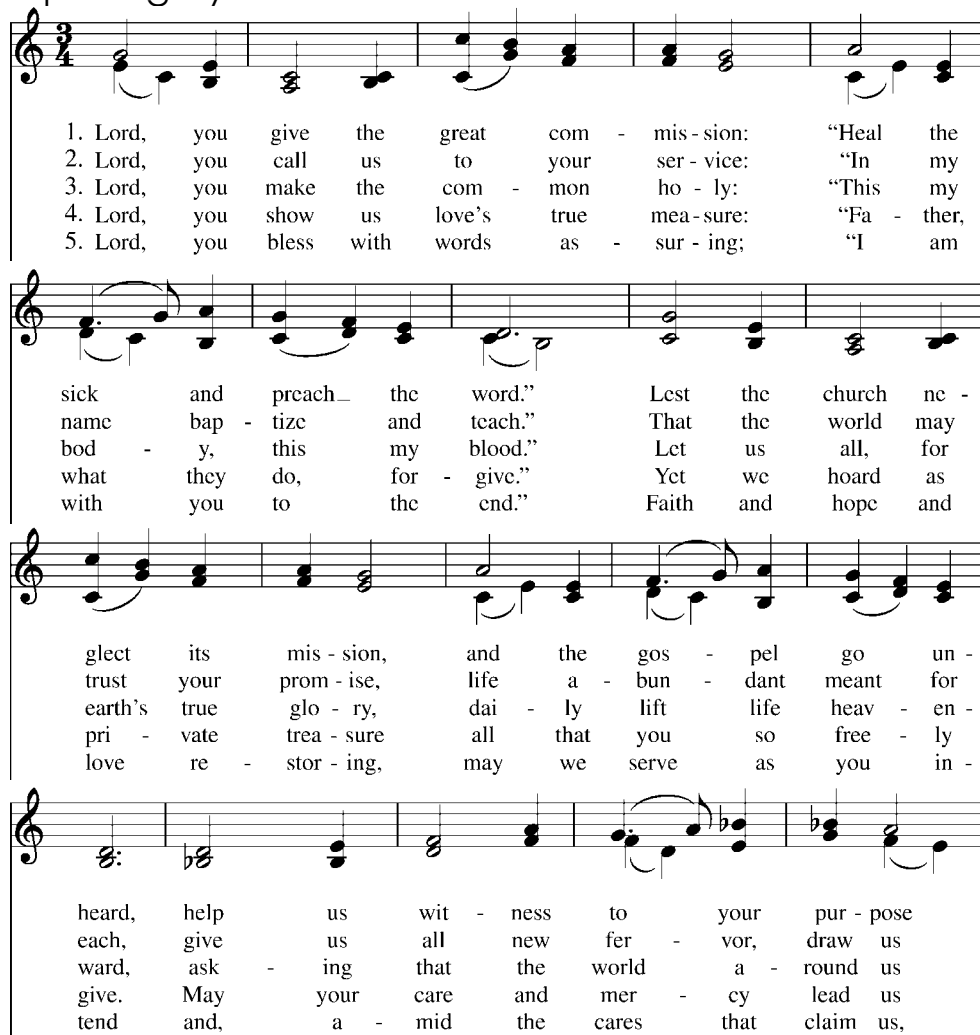
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Holy Eucharist

Prelude: Let us prepare for worship by quieting ourselves and turning our focus to God.

Opening Hymn: Lord, You Give the Great Commission WLP 780



1. Lord, you give the great com - mis - sion: "Heal the
 2. Lord, you call us to your ser - vice: "In my
 3. Lord, you make the com - mon ho - ly: "This my
 4. Lord, you show us love's true mea - sure: "Fa - ther,
 5. Lord, you bless with words as - sur - ing; "I am

sick and preach the word." Lest the church ne -
 name bap - tize and teach." That the world may
 bod - y, this my blood." Let us all, for
 what they do, for - give." Yet we hoard as
 with you to the end." Faith and hope and

glect its mis - sion, and the gos - pel go un -
 trust your prom - ise, life a - bun - dant meant for
 earth's true glo - ry, dai - ly lift life heav - en -
 pri - vate trea - sure all that you so free - ly
 love re - stor - ing, may we serve as you in -

heard, help us wit - ness to your pur - pose
 each, give us all new fer - vor, draw us
 ward, ask - ing that the world a - round us
 give. May your care and mer - cy lead us
 tend and, a - mid the cares that claim us,

Refrain

with re - newed in - teg - ri - ty.
 clos - er in com - mun - i - ty.
 share your chil - dren's lib - er - ty.
 to a just so - ci - e - ty.
 hold in mind e - ter - ni - ty.

With the Spir - it's

gifts em - power us for the work of min - is - try.

Words: Jeffery Rowthorn (b. 1934). Music: *Abbot's Leigh*, Cyril Vincent Taylor (1907-1991).

Opening Acclamation:

Celebrant: 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.

The Gloria

LEVAS 63

Glo - rious is the Name of Je - sus, Prais - es to His

Name. Oh, glo - rious and right - eous and

Ho - ly is His Name. Oh, glo - ri - ous is His

Name. I feel His pres - ence
in this place, His Spir - it has con - trol, Can't you
feel His warm em - brace and all the joy with-in your
soul, Oh, glo - ri - ous is His
Name. Oh, glo - ri - ous is His Name.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The First Reading

Deuteronomy 30:15-20

Reader: A Reading from the Book of Deuteronomy

Moses said to all Israel the words which the LORD commanded him, "See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the LORD your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, I declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, loving the LORD your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the LORD swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob."

Reader: The Word of the Lord

Response: **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm

Psalm 1

- ¹ Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, *
nor lingered in the way of sinners,
nor sat in the seats of the scornful!
- ² Their delight is in the law of the LORD, *
and they meditate on his law day and night.
- ³ They are like trees planted by streams of water,
bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; *
everything they do shall prosper.
- ⁴ It is not so with the wicked; *
they are like chaff which the wind blows away.
- ⁵ Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, *
nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.
- ⁶ For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, *
but the way of the wicked is doomed.

The Second Reading

Philemon 1-21

Reader: A Reading from Philemon.

Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother,
To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, to Apphia our sister, to Archippus
our fellow soldier, and to the church in your house:
Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.
When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God because I hear of
your love for all the saints and your faith toward the Lord Jesus. I pray that the
sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good
that we may do for Christ. I have indeed received much joy and
encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been
refreshed through you, my brother.

For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your
duty, yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love-- and I, Paul, do this
as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to
you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my
imprisonment. Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both
to you and to me. I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. I
wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your
place during my imprisonment for the gospel; but I preferred to do nothing
without your consent, in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not
something forced. Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a
while, so that you might have him back forever, no longer as a slave but more
than a slave, a beloved brother-- especially to me but how much more to you,
both in the flesh and in the Lord.

So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. If
he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my
account. I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing
about your owing me even your own self. Yes, brother, let me have this benefit
from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. Confident of your obedience, I
am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

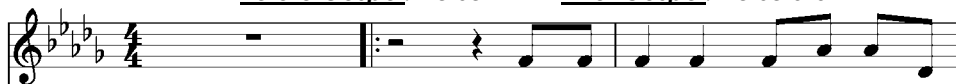
People **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn

Will You Come and Follow Me

WLP 757

Before Gospel: Verse 1-2 After Gospel: Verse 3-5



1. Will you come and fol - low me if
2. Will you leave your self be - hind if
3. Will you let the blind - ed see if
4. Will you love the "You" you hide if
5. Christ, your sum-mons ech - oes true when



I but call your name? Will you go where you don't know and
 I but call your name? Will you care for cruel and kind and
 I but call your name? Will you set the pris - 'ner free and
 I but call your name? Will you quell the fear in - side and
 you but call my name. Let me turn and fol - low you and



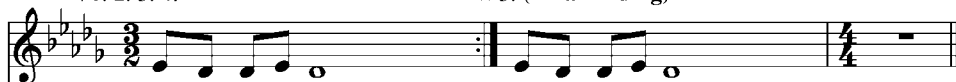
nev - er be the same? Will you let my love be shown? Will you
 nev - er be the same? Will you risk the hos - tile stare should your
 nev - er be the same? Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do
 nev - er be the same? Will you use the faith you've found to re -
 nev - er be the same. In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your



let my Name be known? Will you let my life be grown in
 life at - tract or scare? Will you let me an - swer prayer in
 such as this un - seen? And ad - mit to what I mean in
 shape the world a - round through my sight and touch and sound in
 love and foot - steps show, thus I'll move and live and grow in

1. 2. 3. 4.

5. (Final Ending)



you and you in me?
 you and you in me?
 you and you in me?
 you and you in me?

5. you and you in me.

Words: from the Iona Community. Music: *Mary Alexandra*, John L. Hooker (b. 1944).

The Holy Gospel

Luke 14:25-33

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

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

Now large crowds were traveling with Jesus; and he turned and said to them, "Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, saying, 'This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.' Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord

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

The Sermon

Rev. Katherine Dougherty

The Nicene Creed

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.

Prayers of the People

Our Holy Scriptures tell us of the sojourns of the people of God – of slavery and persecution, of wandering in the wilderness, of exile and loss.

Today, as we pray for the Church and for the world, we remember our own sacred stories and how they call us to live in God's world, to bring forth God's dream of shalom. With all our heart and all our mind, let us pray to our God, saying, "Lord, hear us."

Sovereign God, may we who are the Body of Christ, the Church, embrace and welcome those who seek shelter and safety, in a world where they have not found either.

We lift our prayer to you, **Lord, hear us.**

God of protection, whose Son fled violence from his own home with Joseph and Mary and sought refuge in a foreign land, hear the cries of all who suffer because of war, violence, intolerance, and famine. Help us to peacefully mend our divisions, that all you have created in this world may be whole.

We lift our prayer to you, **Lord, hear us.**

God who makes us One, we pray for our nation and all the nations of the world, that those who govern and have authority may consider each life to be of value and may serve the people of their nation with equity and fairness, dedicating themselves to peaceful resolution of conflict.

We lift our prayer to you, **Lord, hear us.**

Gracious God, we pray for our newest neighbors, that those families who have sought new life in this country may find not only shelter and sustenance, but also a loving and supportive community in which to create a new beginning with dignity.

We lift our prayer to you, **Lord, hear us.**

Loving God, there is no one that goes unnoticed in your eyes. Take into yourself all who suffer. May Christ the Wounded Healer relieve the pain of hunger, comfort those who are not seen, heal the afflicted body, soothe the fears of the mind, bring peace to the soul, and be tender with the broken hearted, that they may find themselves restored in Christ. At this time we pray for—Michelle W.; Margaret M. & Family; Debby M.; Susan B.; Nancy, Paige, Claire S.; Rick M.; Marilyn E.; Kathy S.; Sherrian B.; Bryan & Terrena H.; Andrew P.; David P.; Casey; Cayson and Kamden; Ann M.; Mike C.; The Stewart-Nuttie Family; Mary & Don A; Violet; Roger B.; Mary & Harry W; Shelly; Briton; farmers struggling to harvest their crops and for their workers who have disappeared; immigrants and those in danger; federal and state workers; people impacted by natural or human-made disasters; people impacted by war; Pastor Marlene Fuller & the congregation of Pleasant Grove Baptist Church; Pastor Ryan & the congregation of Messiah Lutheran Church

We lift our prayer to you, **Lord, hear us.**

Eternal God, may you receive those who have died during times into your loving and peaceful arms and may they find rest for their souls. Comfort those who mourn the loss of their friends and loved ones and give them relief from the painful memories they bear, giving assurance of eternal life.

We lift our prayer to you, **Lord, hear us.**

Celebrant: We give thanks to you, Source of All Being, for hearing our prayers. We thank you that love swallows fear, that in your compassion we learn to walk with those who suffer, that when we give of ourselves, we receive far more, and that when we receive those who stand knocking at our doors, we receive Christ the Beloved One. May all praise, glory and honor be to our God, the Most High. **Amen.**

Confession of Sin

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

**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.**

Celebrant: 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

Celebrant: The Peace of God be always with you

People: ***And also with you.***

The Announcements

The Holy Communion

Choir Anthem

Day by Day

MHSO 33 Words: Richard Chichester. Music: Fiona Vidal-White
H654 Contributor: Arthur Henry Biggs. 1985, Church Publishing, Inc.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer C

Celebrant: All things come of thee oh God

People: ***and of thine own have we given thee.***

Celebrant: 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.***

The Celebrant proceeds

Celebrant: God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

People: ***Glory to you for ever and ever.***

Celebrant: At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

People: ***By your will they were created and have their being.***

Celebrant: From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

People: Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Celebrant: Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages, you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

People: By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore, we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Sanctus:

Holy, Holy, Holy

S125

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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Then the Celebrant continues

And so, God, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, 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.*".

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, 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.*".

Celebrant: Remembering now his work of redemption and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving.

People: We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Celebrant: God of our Fathers: God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God of our Mothers; God of Sarah, Rebecca and Rachel, God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength, for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

People: Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, God, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation.

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant 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.

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.

The Great Amen

sung by the congregation

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we pray,

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

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

Celebrant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: *therefore, let us keep the feast.*

The Fraction Anthem

LEVAS 269

Lamb of God, you
take a - way the sins of the world; have mer-cy on us.
Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world: have mer-cy on us.
Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world: grant us peace.

Music: Lena McLin, *Eucharist of the Soul*

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Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

***For those worshipping online, the Prayer of Spiritual Communion is below the Communion Music.**

*The people attending in-person may be seated.

Communion Hymn Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks

H178

Descant

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -

Refrain

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give thanks to the

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

ris - en Lord. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give

1-4 *Final Ending*

Praise to his Name. Name.

Praise to his Name. Name.

1 Je - sus is Lord of all the earth.
 2 Spread the good news o'er all the earth:
 3 We have been cru - ci - fied with Christ.
 4 Come, let us praise the liv - ing God,

Repeat Refrain

He is the King of cre - a - tion.
 Je - sus has died and has ris - en.
 Now we shall live for ev - er. Al - le -
 joy - ful - ly sing to our Sa - vior.

The descant may be sung after stanzas 3 and 4.

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Communion Hymn *Ubi Caritas*

WLP 831

U - bi ca - ri - tas et a - mor,
Ai - a nō e loa'a ke a - lo - ha

u - bi ca - ri - tas De - us i - bi est,
Ai - a nō e loa'a ke A - kua nō.

Translation: Where true charity and love abide, God is there.

Words: Latin, 8th c., tr. Malcolm Naea Chun (b. 1954). Music: Jacques Berthier (1923-1994).

The Prayer of Spiritual Communion

For those worshipping online, The Prayer of Spiritual Communion is offered below. As the Communion Hymns are sung, we invite you to say the words of this prayer either aloud or silently. Through the words of this prayer, "all the benefits of Communion are received even though the Sacrament is not received with the mouth..." (BCP p. 457).

Faithful God, in the wonder of your wisdom and love, you fed your people in the wilderness with the bread of life. Though we do not consume these gifts of bread and wine together, we thank you that we have received Christ's presence, the forgiveness of sins, and all other benefits of Christ's passion and resurrection. By the power of the Holy Spirit, may we embody your love, be renewed for your service, and be reflections of the awakened and risen Lord. Amen.

Post Communion Prayer

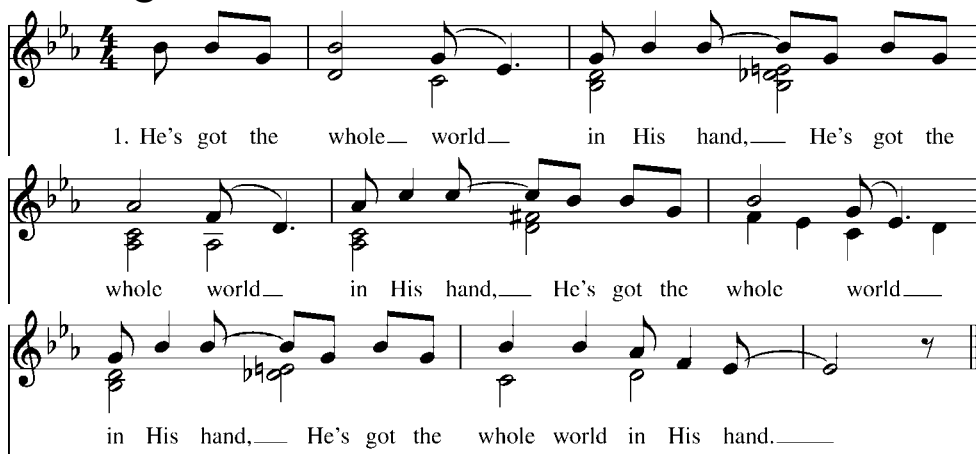
Celebrant: Let us pray

**All: God of abundance,
you have fed us
with the bread of life and cup of salvation;
you have united us
with Christ and one another;
and you have made us one
with all your people in heaven and on earth.**

**Now send us forth
in the power of your Spirit,
that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world
and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

The Blessing

Closing Hymn *He's Got the Whole World in His Hands* LEVAS 217



1. He's got the whole world in His hand, He's got the whole world in His hand, He's got the whole world in His hand.

2. He's got you and me sister, etc.

4. He's got the pretty little baby, etc.

3. He's got you and me brother, etc.

5. He's got everybody here, etc.

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Dismissal

Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve God.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

We are now sent forth to share God's love and light with the world.
Our prayer is that today's worship has encouraged you in love, strengthened
you for service, and filled you with grace.



Together We Respond to God, Love One Another, and Serve in Faith

THIS WEEK WE PRAY FOR:

Michelle W.; Margaret M. & Family; Debby M.; Susan B.; Nancy, Paige, Claire S.; Rick M.; Marilyn E.; Kathy S.; Sherrian B.; Bryan & Terrena H.; Andrew P.; David P.; Casey; Cayson and Kamden; Ann M.; Mike C.; The Stewart-Nuttle Family; Mary & Don A; Violet; Roger B.; Mary & Harry W; Shelly; Briton; farmers struggling to harvest their crops and for their workers who have disappeared; immigrants and those in danger; federal and state workers; people impacted by natural or human-made disasters; people impacted by war; Pastor Marlene Fuller & the congregation of Pleasant Grove Baptist Church; Pastor Ryan & the congregation of Messiah Lutheran Church

Are you visiting or in search of a church home?

We are so glad you are here with us today!

All Souls Episcopal Church is a loving, inclusive, and fun community of people walking together as we work to grow closer to God, to one another, and to our neighbors.

Please let us know you are visiting by saying "Hi" and by filling out a *Getting to Know You Card* at The Welcome Table.