

# THE KALENDAR

S. Stephen's Church  
in Providence

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

13 NOVEMBER 2022

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SUNDAY MORNING PRAYER 8 AM

SUNDAY LOW MASS 8:10 AM

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## MORNING PRAYER

*Please stand when the bell is rung.*

*The Officiant may first begin with a sentence of scripture.*

*Officiant*   ✕ O Lord, open thou our lips.

*People*      And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, \*

and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be \*

world without end. Amen.

VENITE – *Psalm 95:1-7*

*Antiphon:* The Lord is glorious in his saints:

    O come, let us adore him.

O come, let us sing unto the Lord; \*

    let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation.

Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving \*

    and show ourselves glad in him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God, \*

    and a great King above all gods.

In his hand are all the corners of the earth, \*

    and the strength of the hills is his also.

The sea is his, and he made it, \*

    and his hands prepared the dry land.

O come, let us worship and fall down, \*

    and kneel before the Lord our Maker.

For he is the Lord our God, \*

    and we are the people of his pasture

    and the sheep of his hand.

O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness; \*

    let the whole earth stand in awe of him.

For he cometh, for he cometh to judge the earth, \*

    and with righteousness to judge the world

    and the peoples with his truth.

*Antiphon:* The Lord is glorious in his saints:

    O come, let us adore him.

**PSALM 23** *Dominus regit me**(prayed responsively by whole verse, pausing at the asterisk)*

The Lord is my Shepherd; \* I shall not want.  
**He maketh me to lie down in green pastures;** \*  
**he leadeth me beside the still waters.**  
He restoreth my soul; \* he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his Name's sake.  
**Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil;** \*  
**for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff, they comfort me.**  
Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies; \*  
thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.  
**Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,** \*  
**and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.**  
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son \*  
and to the Holy Ghost.  
**As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be \***  
**world without end. Amen.**

**FIRST READING – *Wisdom 3:1-9***

But the souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and no torment will ever touch them. In the eyes of the foolish they seemed to have died, and their departure was thought to be an affliction, and their going from us to be their destruction; but they are at peace. For though in the sight of men they were punished, their hope is full of immortality. Having been disciplined a little, they will receive great good, because God tested them and found them worthy of himself; like gold in the furnace he tried them, and like a sacrificial burnt offering he accepted them. In the time of their visitation they will shine forth, and will run like sparks through the stubble. They will govern nations and rule over peoples, and the Lord will reign over them for ever. Those who trust in him will understand truth, and the faithful will abide with him in love, because grace and mercy are upon his elect, and he watches over his holy ones.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

**TE DEUM LAUDAMUS** (*Please stand*)

We praise thee, O God; we acknowledge thee to be the Lord.  
All the earth doth worship thee, the Father everlasting.  
To thee all Angels cry aloud,  
the Heavens and all the Powers therein.  
To thee Cherubim and Seraphim continually do cry:  
Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth;  
Heaven and earth are full of the majesty of thy glory.  
The glorious company of the apostles praise thee.  
The goodly fellowship of the prophets praise thee.  
The noble army of martyrs praise thee.  
The holy Church throughout all the world doth acknowledge thee,  
the Father, of an infinite majesty,

thine adorable, true, and only Son,  
also the Holy Ghost the Comforter.

Thou art the King of glory, O Christ.  
Thou art the everlasting Son of the Father.  
When thou tookest upon thee to deliver man,  
thou didst humble thyself to be born of a Virgin.  
When thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death,  
thou didst open the kingdom of heaven to all believers.  
Thou sittest at the right hand of God, in the glory of the Father.  
We believe that thou shalt come to be our judge.  
We therefore pray thee, help thy servants,  
whom thou hast redeemed with thy precious blood.  
Make them to be numbered with thy saints,  
in glory everlasting.

### THE SUFFRAGES *(Please remain standing)*

*Officiant* The Lord be with you.

*People* And with thy Spirit.

*Officiant* Let us pray.

V. O Lord, save thy people and bless thine heritage;  
R. **Govern them and lift them up for ever.**  
V. Day by day we magnify thee;  
R. **And we worship thy Name ever, world without end.**  
V. Vouchsafe, O Lord, to keep us this day without sin;  
R. **O Lord, have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us.**  
V. O Lord, let thy mercy be upon us;  
R. **As our trust is in thee.**  
V. O Lord, in thee have I trusted;  
R. **Let me never be confounded.**

### A COLLECT FOR THE COMMUNION OF SAINTS

Almighty God, who by thy Holy Spirit hast made us one with thy saints in heaven and on earth: Grant that in our earthly pilgrimage we may always be supported by this fellowship of love and prayer, and know ourselves to be surrounded by so great a witness to thy power and mercy. We ask this for the sake of Jesus Christ, in whom all our intercessions are acceptable through the Spirit, and who liveth and reigneth for ever and ever. **Amen.**

### INTERCESSIONS

Anglican Cycle of Prayer

Intercession Paper for the Confraternity of the Blessed Sacrament

Intercession Paper for the Guild of All Souls

✠ May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. **Amen.**

## CONCLUDING VERSICLES

*Officiant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And with thy Spirit.**

*Officiant* Let us bless the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

✠ The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. **Amen.** *2 Corinthians 13:14*

## LOW MASS

### OPENING ACCLAMATION (*Standing*)

*Celebrant* ✠ Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*People* **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

### COLLECT FOR PURITY (*Standing*)

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

### SUMMARY OF THE LAW (*Standing*)

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

### KYRIE ELEISON (*Standing*)

Kyrie eleison. **Kyrie eleison.** Kyrie eleison.

**Christe eleison.** Christe eleison. **Christe eleison.**

Kyrie eleison. **Kyrie eleison.** Kyrie eleison.

### THE COLLECTS (*Please remain standing*)

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And with thy spirit.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

O God, the Maker and Redeemer of all believers: Grant to the faithful departed the unsearchable benefits of the passion of thy Son; that on the day of his appearing they may be manifested as thy children; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

O Almighty God, grant we beseech thee, that we, who here do honor to the memory of those who have died in the service of their country, may be so inspired by the spirit of their love and fortitude that, forgetting all selfish and unworthy motives, we may live only to thy glory, to the service of all mankind and in the interests of peace, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

### EPISTLE READING – *1 Thessalonians 4:3-18*

But we would not have you ignorant, brethren, concerning those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep. For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, shall not precede those who have fallen asleep. For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the archangel's call, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first; then we who are alive, who are left, shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air; and so we shall always be with the Lord. Therefore comfort one another with these words.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

### THE HOLY GOSPEL – John 5:24-27

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And with thy spirit.**

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

*People* **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Jesus said to the people, “Truly, truly, I say to you, he who hears my word and believes him who sent me, has eternal life; he does not come into judgment, but has passed from death to life. Truly, truly, I say to you, the hour is coming, and now is, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God, and those who hear will live. For as the Father has life in himself, so he has granted the Son also to have life in himself, and has given him authority to execute judgment, because he is the Son of man.”

*Celebrant* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

### HOMILY

Fr. Straley

## ACT OF REMEMBRANCE

*Please stand.*

*Celebrant* Let us remember before God,  
and commend to his sure keeping;  
those who have died for their country in war;  
those whom we knew, and whose memory we treasure;  
and all who have lived and died  
in the service of humanity.

They shall grow not old as we that are left grow old:  
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.  
At the going down of the sun and in the morning  
We will remember them.

*People* **We will remember them.**

*Here follows for two minutes  
The Silence.*

*Celebrant* Almighty and eternal God,  
from whose love in Christ we cannot be parted,  
either by death or life:  
Hear our prayers and thanksgivings  
for all whom we remember this day;  
fulfill in them the purpose of thy love;  
and bring us all, with them, to thine eternal joy;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*People* **Amen.**

## THE PEACE

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* And with thy spirit.

*Announcements may be made.*

## THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

*The Mass today is offered with special intention for the repose of the souls of the beloved faithful departed named here:*

Members of the Altar Guild  
Sisters of the Holy Nativity  
Bob Abel  
Ina Abel  
Virginia Adams  
Kathleen Anderson  
Wilson Anthony  
Donald Ashworth

Raymond Atlee, *Priest*  
Bradford Atwood  
Elymore Baar  
Dr. T. Carey Baar  
James Baar  
Mary Ball  
George A. Bartlett  
Sylvin S. Bartlett

Robert McKay Baxter  
Florence Symmes Beers  
James Blackwood  
Michael Blackwood  
Truman Claudius Bledsoe III  
Imogene Blount  
Joanne Blount  
Joseph Blount  
William Blount  
John Bradford Bohl  
Alexander Braumuller  
John F. Brazil  
Susan B. Brazil  
Joan de Saumerez Brock  
Juan de Saumerez Brock  
Alexander Brown  
Patrick Brown  
Jacob Burns  
Annie Bustamante  
Armando L. Bustamante  
Armando O. Bustamante  
Florence Bustamante  
Allen (Bud) Butler  
Irene Butler  
Julia Callanan  
Mary Theresa Caldwell  
Sandra Noyes Calverley  
Doreen Campbell  
Guy Carlsen  
Jared L. Carpenter  
Ted Cass  
Edna Casserley  
J. V. Langmead Casserley,  
    *Priest and Doctor*  
David Russell Catir  
George Joseph Catir  
Norman Joseph Catir, Sr.  
Ruth Symmes Catir  
Tamamie Catir  
Carol Catt  
Mei Yoong Chan  
Elizabeth Clarke  
Mary Theresa Coldwell  
Paul J. Conley  
Eddie Connell  
Elmer Cook, *Priest and Doctor*  
Nicholas Cook  
Shirley Cook  
Elliott Cooke  
Chip Copeland  
Connie Botelho Costa  
Helen Cottrell  
Timothy Crofoot  
Albert Croft  
Ruth Eileen Crouch  
William Justice Cowperthwaite  
Mamie Cullen  
Richard Cullen  
Mary Dake  
Richard Dake  
Roscoe Dake  
Susan Dalglish  
Fred DiNunzio  
Nina DiNunzio  
Dolly Elliott  
Charles Enders  
Ellen Enders  
Tommy Enright  
Marilyn Fane  
Dorothy Denham Farwell  
Joseph W. Farwell, Jr.  
Domenic Fasano  
Angelina Fasano  
Chester A. Files  
Jeannine Lennihan Firestone  
Joseph P. Frary, *Priest and Doctor*  
Maybury Fraser  
Brad Garnet  
Betty Gearhart  
F. Joseph Geogan  
Mary R. Geogan  
Philip J. Geogan, *Priest*  
Robert J. Geogan  
Clair P. Gibson  
Fred H. Gibson  
Alice Mae Hoffman Gingrich  
Ty Gingrich  
Jack Goins  
Derek C. Hall  
Edward Hardy, *Priest and Doctor*  
Marion Hardy  
Grace Gerry Harris

Bruce Henwood  
Henry Heuser  
Maria Heuser  
Albert Hierman  
Ruth Hierman  
Peter Holt  
Edward K. Hooks  
Bina Hughes  
Dudley Hughes, *Priest*  
Frances Linden Hughes  
Hilda Jackson  
Gertrude Ann Jacobs  
Lillian King Jacobs  
Ora Williams Jacobs  
Phebe Elizabeth Allen Jacobs  
Philip C. Jacobs, Jr.  
Philip C. Jacobs, Sr.  
F. Washington Jarvis, *Priest*  
Derek Jennings  
Conrad Johnson  
Ina Faye Johnson  
Michael Jolliffe  
Susan Rose Jones  
Leslie Jordan  
Mildred Kench  
Willard Kench  
Frederic Thomas Kershaw  
J. Thomas Kershaw  
M. Elizabeth Kershaw  
William Kibitz, *Priest*  
Alfred James King  
Dorothy King  
Edith May King  
Elsie Caroline King  
Karen Emelia King  
Anita Kraiwec  
Edmund Kraiwec  
Jane Latham  
Anita Lathrop  
Barbara Lee  
Doreen Lee  
Cora Lennihan  
Everett Lennihan  
Harry Lennihan  
Laurence LeSeure, *Priest*  
Aloysius Lindemann  
James Litton  
Ray Lizotte  
Clarence Locke  
Joan Locke  
Adele Lyttleton  
Hugh Lyttleton  
Richard Cornish Martin, *Priest*  
Eric Mascall, *Priest and Doctor*  
Alan P. Maynard, *Priest*  
Jenny Macquarie  
John Macquarie, *Priest and Doctor*  
Andrew McKay  
Katherine McKay  
Jameson McMullen  
Frances Zulette Masson  
Marion McKay Masson  
Thomas Lansing Masson III  
Thomas Lansing Masson IV  
Betty Myers McEwen  
Margaret Newton Mechanic  
Mabel Mitchell  
Wilma Mitchell  
David Morgan  
Mary Elizabeth Moss  
Reginald Myers  
Phyllis Newman  
Eda Louise Nichols  
Domenico Nicolella  
Joseph Nicolella  
Maria Nicolella  
Clara D. Noble  
Russel E. Noble  
Edith Nutt  
Richard Nutt  
Frank S. Oakes  
Jean N. Oakes  
Thomas Oakes  
Florence Olerich  
Andrew Oliver  
Ruth Oliver  
Ellen Palmer  
Frederick Palmer  
Alma Paulson-Hoyer  
Archie Pearson  
Mable Pearson  
Elizabeth Pennington

Alan Pinderhughes  
Cheryl Pinderhughes  
Geoffrey Pinnock, *Priest*  
Barbara Pocklington  
Betty Pocklington  
Sarah Elizabeth Pocklington  
Eric Pocklington, *Priest*  
Norman Pocklington  
Stephen Pocklington  
Arnold Prince  
Elizabeth Pulsifer  
Herbert Bickford Pulsifer, *Priest*  
James M. Ragsdale  
Marc V. Ragsdale  
Alan Reniere  
Anthony Renola  
Carmine Renola  
Edward Renola  
Jo Renola  
Sandra Renola  
Terry Renola  
Virginia Renola  
Florence Reynolds  
Royal Reynolds  
Earl M. Richard  
Mildred M. Richard  
Kathryne Ripley  
Charles Rose  
Mary Rose  
Robert M. Rose  
Scott Rose  
Kenneth Ross, *Priest*  
Jay Rossier  
Fernand Rouffy  
Margaret Rouffy  
Lysbeth Savill  
Elizabeth Anna Schumann  
Homer C. Shirley III  
John "Jack" Shugrue  
Sr. Madeline Simon  
Beverly Francis Smith  
James Smith  
Irene Smith  
Margaret Sparrow  
Raymond Sparrow  
Homer Steiny  
Nancy Steiny  
Maybelle Olerich Steiny  
James Steffansen  
Donald Straith  
Mary Straith  
Ronald Stroud  
Narcisus Suggs  
William Suggs  
Joseph Sundstrom  
Wallace Edie Symmes  
Charles C. Thayer, *Priest*  
Jean Lennihan Thomas  
Florence Thorp  
Maybury Tingley  
Susan Tobias, *Priest*  
R. Michael Tuck, *Priest*  
Julian Turner  
Mary Urban  
Percy Urban, Priest and Doctor  
Walker Weed  
Janet Weiss  
Mary Newton Western  
Wayne Wildenradt  
Allen B. Williams, Jr.  
Bill White  
Barbara Wolfe  
David Yalovich  
John Yalovich  
Phyllis Yalovich  
Martha Louise Zoutendam

#### RECTORS OF THIS PARISH

Francis Vinton, *Priest*  
George Leeds, *Priest*  
Henry Waterman, *Priest*  
James H. Eames, *Priest*  
Charles Ward, *Priest*  
James W. Colwell, *Priest*  
George McClellan Fiske, *Priest*  
Frederick Spies Penfold, *Priest*  
Frederick Fleming, *Priest*  
Charles Townsend Jr., *Priest*  
Paul Van K. Thompson, *Priest*  
Warren Ward, *Priest*  
Paul Chapman Kintzing, *Priest*  
Ronald Parks Connor, *Priest*

Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II

All those who have laid down their lives in service to this country.

Founders, benefactors, and past members of this parish.

### OFFERTORY PRAYERS (*Please be seated*)

*Celebrant* Blessed art thou, Lord God of all creation; through thy goodness we have this bread to offer, which earth hath given and human hands have made. It will become for us the bread of life.

*People* **Blessed be God for ever.**

*Celebrant* Blessed art thou, Lord God of all creation; through thy goodness we have this wine to offer: fruit of the vine and work of human hands. It will become our spiritual drink.

*People* **Blessed be God for ever.**

### ORATE, FRATRES (*Please stand*)

*Celebrant* Pray, brothers and sisters, that this my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the Father Almighty.

*People* **May the Lord receive this Sacrifice at thy hands, to the praise and glory of his Name, both to our benefit, and that of all his holy Church.**

### SURSUM CORDA & PREFACE (*Standing*)

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And with thy spirit.**

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

*People* **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

*People* **It is meet and right so to do.**

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord; who rose victorious from the dead, and doth comfort us with the blessed hope of everlasting life; for to thy faithful people, O Lord, life is changed, not ended; and when our mortal body doth lie in death, there is prepared for us a dwelling place eternal in the heavens. Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

### SANCTUS ET BENEDICTUS (*Standing*)

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:  
Heaven and earth are full of thy Glory.  
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.**

**℣ Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER I

*Please kneel if you are able, or remain standing.*

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

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take, eat,

THIS IS MY BODY,  
WHICH IS GIVEN FOR YOU.  
Do this in remembrance of me.”



Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, “Drink ye all of this;

FOR THIS IS MY BLOOD,  
OF THE NEW TESTAMENT, WHICH IS SHED FOR YOU,  
AND FOR MANY, FOR THE REMISSION OF SINS.  
Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.”



Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily

receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

Remember, Lord, also the souls of thy servants and handmaidens, which are gone before us with the mark of faith, and rest in the sleep of peace. (*Here the Celebrant prays for all those named in the Necrology.*) We beseech thee, O Lord, that unto them, and unto all such as rest in Christ, thou wilt grant a place of refreshing, light, and peace. And vouchsafe to give unto us some portion and fellowship with thy holy Apostles and Martyrs, with Saint Stephen and with all thy Saints; within whose fellowship we beseech thee to admit us.

And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences, through Jesus Christ our Lord; ✕ By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **AMEN.**

### THE LORD'S PRAYER (*Kneeling*)

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

**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 (*Kneeling*)

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Host. Silence is kept.*

### AGNUS DEI (*Kneeling*)

**O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,  
grant them rest  
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,  
grant them rest.  
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,  
grant them rest eternal.**

## PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

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

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION: ECCE AGNUS DEI *(Kneeling)*

*Celebrant* ♣ Behold the Lamb of God. Behold him that taketh away the sins of the world.  
*People* Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof, but speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed.

## THE ADMINISTRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

*All baptized Christians are welcome to receive the Eucharist at the Lord's Table. Gluten-free wafers are available. If you are not receiving, you are invited to come forward for a blessing (indicated by crossing your arms over your chest). If you have not been baptized, and find yourself drawn to Jesus Christ and life in him, please let one of our clergy know. We would be honored to have a conversation with you about the possibility of baptism, or any other questions. Baptism and life in the Body of Christ is open to all.*



## THE CLOSING RITE

### POST-COMMUNION PRAYER (*Please kneel as you are able*)

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Almighty God, we thank thee that in thy great love thou hast fed us with the spiritual food and drink of the Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and hast given unto us a foretaste of thy heavenly banquet. Grant that this Sacrament may be unto us a comfort in affliction, and a pledge of our inheritance in that kingdom where there is no death, neither sorrow nor crying, but the fullness of joy with all thy saints; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

### PRAYER OF ABSOLUTION

O God, whose nature and property is ever to have mercy and to forgive: receive our humble petitions, for the souls of thy servants and handmaids, whom thou hast bidden to depart of this world: deliver them not into the hand of the enemy, neither forget them forever, but command thy holy Angels to receive them and bring them into the country of paradise; that forasmuch as they hoped and believed in thee, they may not suffer the pains of hell, but possess the joys of eternal life. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### DISMISSAL (*Please stand*)

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* And with thy spirit.

*Celebrant* Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord.

*People* ✕ And let light perpetual shine upon them.

*Celebrant* May the rest in peace.

*People* Amen.

*Celebrant* ✕ May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

*People* Amen.



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