



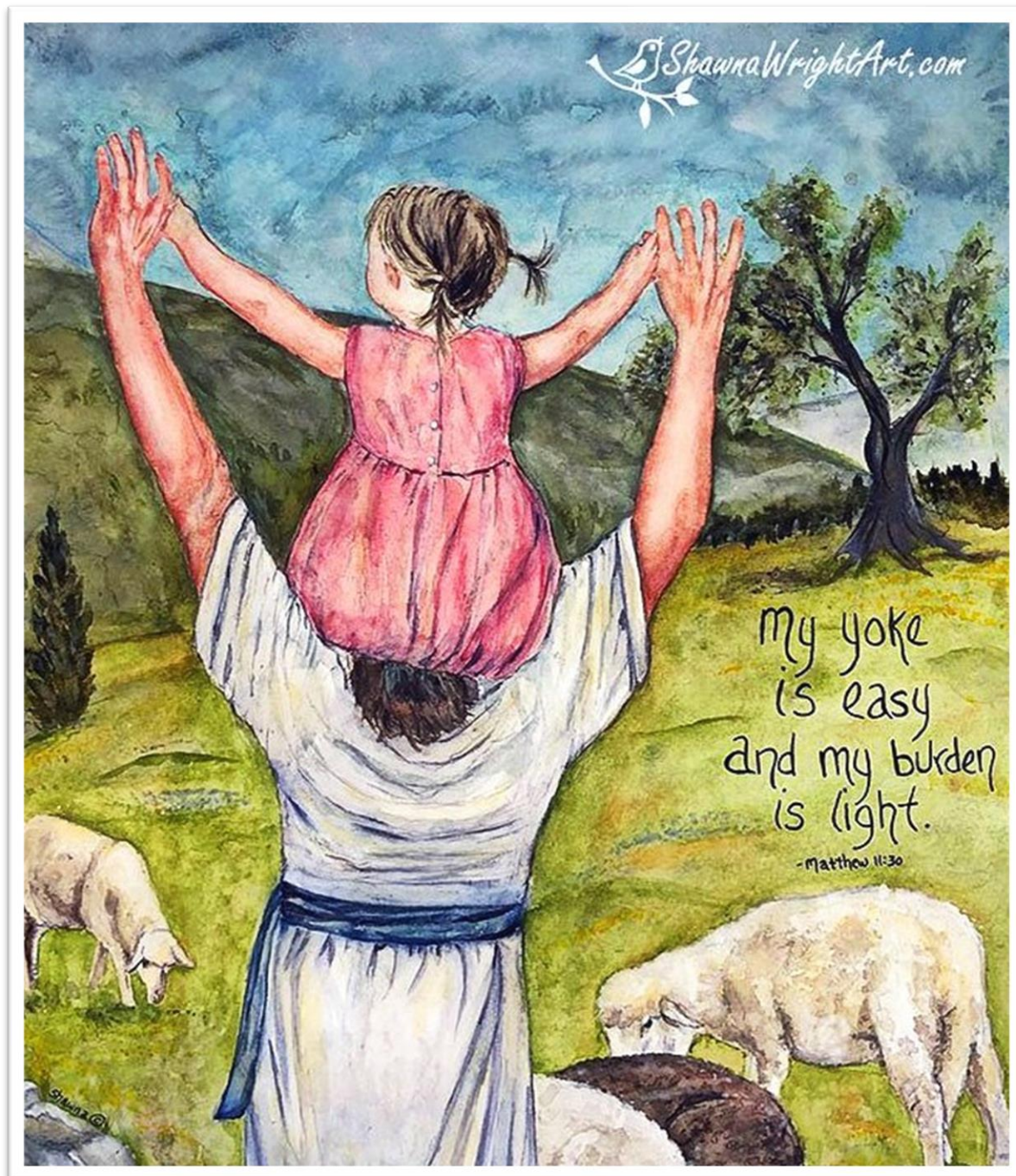
St. Wilfrid of York

The Episcopal Church in Huntington Beach

St. Wilfrid's is a Christian community seeking to know and unconditionally share God's unfailing love.

The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

5 JULY 2026, 10:30 AM



Kindly silence your cell phone before the service begins.

Voluntary Variations on "America"

David N. Johnson

THE INTRODUCTORY RITE

Please stand as you are able when the procession enters the nave.

Hymn 718 God of our fathers

NATIONAL HYMN

1 God of our fa - thers, whose al - might - y
2 Thy love di - vine hath led us in the
3 From war's a - larms, from dead - ly pes - ti -
4 Re - fresh thy peo - ple on their toil - some

hand leads forth in beau - ty all the star - ry band
past, in this free land by thee our lot is cast;
lence, be thy strong arm our ev - er sure de - fense;
way, lead us from night to nev - er - end - ing day;

of shin - ing worlds in splen - dor through the skies,
be thou our ru - ler, guard - ian, guide, and stay
thy true re - li - gion in our hearts in - crease,
fill all our lives with love and grace di - vine,

our grate - ful songs be - fore thy throne a - rise.
thy word our law, thy paths our cho - sen way.
thy bount - eous good - ness nour - ish us in peace.
and glo - ry, laud, and praise be ev - er thine.

Opening Acclamation

Presider: Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

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

Presider: Let us pray.

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 People remain standing for the singing of the Gloria. The antiphon printed below is first sung by the Cantor, then by everyone. Thereafter, it is sung by all as indicated.

Glory to God

Marty Haugen

REFRAIN



Cantor: Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

All REPEAT THE REFRAIN

Cantor: Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

All REPEAT THE REFRAIN

Cantor: For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God, the Father. Amen! Amen!

All REPEAT THE REFRAIN

Collect of the Day

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Presider: Let us pray.

Beloved God, as we approach your Presence, guide and stir us with your Holy Spirit, that we may become one body, one spirit in Jesus Christ our Savior.

Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

– The *liturgy* is God's community gathered to actively share the Word and the Eucharist. The Old Testament is a collection of the canonical books of the Hebrew Bible that are authoritative for both Christian and Jews. –

The First Lesson Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67 (NRSV)

A reading from the Book of Genesis.

The servant said to Laban, "I am Abraham's servant. The Lord has greatly blessed my master, and he has become wealthy; he has given him flocks and herds, silver and gold, male and female slaves, camels and donkeys. And Sarah my master's wife bore a son to my master when she was old; and he has given him all that he has. My master made me swear, saying, 'You shall not take a wife for my son from the daughters of the Canaanites, in whose land I live; but you shall go to my father's house, to my kindred, and get a wife for my son.'

"I came today to the spring, and said, 'O Lord, the God of my master Abraham, if now you will only make successful the way I am going! I am standing here by the spring of water; let the young woman who comes out to draw, to whom I shall say, "Please give me a little water from your jar to drink," and who will say to me, "Drink, and I will draw for your camels also" —let her be the woman whom the Lord has appointed for my master's son.'

"Before I had finished speaking in my heart, there was Rebekah coming out with her water jar on her shoulder; and she went down to the spring, and drew. I said to her, 'Please let me drink.' She quickly let down her jar from her shoulder, and said, 'Drink, and I will also water your camels.' So I drank, and she also watered the camels. Then I asked her, 'Whose daughter are you?' She said, 'The daughter of Bethuel, Nahor's son, whom Milcah bore to him.' So I put the ring on her nose, and the bracelets on her arms. Then I bowed my head and worshiped the Lord, and blessed the Lord, the God of my master Abraham, who had led me by the right way to obtain the daughter of my master's kinsman for his son. Now then, if you will deal loyally and truly with my master, tell me; and if not, tell me, so that I may turn either to the right hand or to the left."

And they called Rebekah, and said to her, "Will you go with this man?" She said, "I will." So they sent away their sister Rebekah and her nurse along with Abraham's servant and his men. And they blessed Rebekah and said to her, "May you, our sister, become thousands of myriads; may your offspring gain

possession of the gates of their foes." Then Rebekah and her maids rose up, mounted the camels, and followed the man; thus the servant took Rebekah, and went his way. Now Isaac had come from Beer-lahai-roi, and was settled in the Negeb. Isaac went out in the evening to walk in the field; and looking up, he saw camels coming. And Rebekah looked up, and when she saw Isaac, she slipped quickly from the camel, and said to the servant, "Who is the man over there, walking in the field to meet us?" The servant said, "It is my master." So she took her veil and covered herself. And the servant told Isaac all the things that he had done. Then Isaac brought her into his mother Sarah's tent. He took Rebekah, and she became his wife; and he loved her. So Isaac was comforted after his mother's death.

The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

-The Book of Common Prayer has always placed great importance on the *Psalms* in worship. They are sung or said in every service of the church, and their words make up the petitions and language of our liturgy.-

Psalm 45: 11-18 *Eructavit cor meum*

"Hear, O daughter; consider and listen closely; *
forget your people and your father's house.
The king will have pleasure in your beauty; *
he is your master; therefore do him honor.
The people of Tyre are here with a gift; *
the rich among the people seek your favor."
All glorious is the princess as she enters; *
her gown is cloth-of-gold.
In embroidered apparel she is brought to the king; *
after her the bridesmaids follow in procession.
With joy and gladness they are brought, *
and enter into the palace of the king.
"In place of fathers, O king, you shall have sons; *
you shall make them princes over all the earth.
I will make your name to be remembered
from one generation to another; *
therefore nations will praise you for ever and ever."

The Epistle Romans 7:15-25a (NRSV)

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Romans

I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me.

So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand as you are able and join in singing the Sequence Hymn.

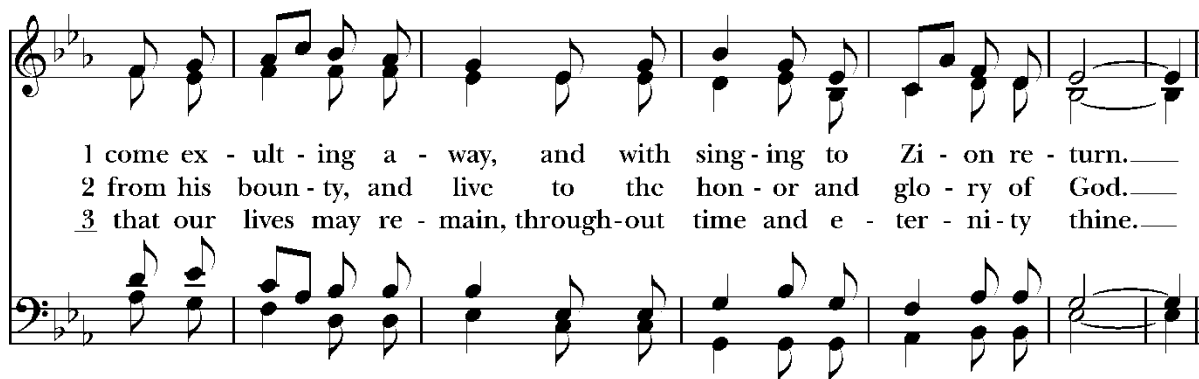
Sequence Hymn 213 Come away to the skies

MIDDLEBURY

Unison or harmony

1 Come a - way to the skies, my be - lov - ed, a - rise and re -
2 Now with sing - ing and praise, let us spend all the days, by our
3 For the glo - ry we were first cre - a - ted to share, both the

1 joy in the day thou wast born; — on this fes - ti - val day,
2 hea - ven - ly Fa - ther be - stowed, — while his grace we re - ceive
3 na - ture and king - dom di - vine! — Now cre - a - ted a - gain



Gospel Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30 (NRSV)

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

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

Jesus said to the crowd, "To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another,

‘We played the flute for you, and you did not dance;
we wailed, and you did not mourn.’

For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, ‘He has a demon’; the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, ‘Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!’ Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.”

At that time Jesus said, “I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

“Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

-The Sermon or Homily helps us apply the words of the early prophets and Christ in our lives.-

The Sermon

The Rev. Nathan Biornstad

A period of silent reflection follows the sermon.

Rector

The Nicene Creed *All stand and say together.*

**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 of 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 worshipped 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.**

Intercessory Prayers

Leader: Wondrous and almighty God, you have always desired that we, your creation, might live into the potential you have crafted for us; hear now our prayers as we say, "Lord, in your mercy," and responding, "You hear our prayer."

Bless your church; give us courage to overcome our divisions, and faith to fulfill our call to bring good news and healing to the world.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy,

People: **You hear our prayer.**

Leader: Bless the people of our nation; inspire our very best that we might live into the promise of our founding. Bless all the places that are home to us; grant us peace, health, and the true safety that only your grace can bring.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy,

People: **You hear our prayer.**

Leader: Bless those whose work supports the healing of our environment and the pursuit of a sustainable way of life.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy,

People: **You hear our prayer.**

Leader: Bless those in need of healing and care and bless those whose work supports their welfare. We pray especially for Leith, Susan Ann, Sydney, and Tamara, and for those we now name, silently or aloud.

You may add additional prayer requests at this time.

Lord, in your mercy,

People: **You hear our prayer.**

Leader: Bless those who stand on the threshold of death, grant them a loving welcome, and care tenderly for those who grieve their loss. We pray especially for those we now name, silently or aloud.

You may add additional prayer requests at this time.

Leader: Lord, in your mercy,

People: **You hear our prayer.**

Prayers of the People

In Our Prayers: Caroline Anderfaas, Betsy Bailey, the Callaghan family, Carol Collacott, Diane Coy, the Rev. Tamara Green, the Hughes family, Ginger Leachman, Nicole Maka'ena, Esther Manguramas, Barbara Pape, Claire Ross, Marianne Sparks, and John Walton.

The Confession

Presider says: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept. The Presider and People then say together, kneeling as they are able:

**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 Presider 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.**

Passing of the Peace

- The Peace is an extension of Christian greeting and teaching to love our neighbor as ourselves. It symbolizes our intent to forgive as we are forgiven, to live in peace with all people. We greet one another in the name of the Lord. –

Priest: The peace of Christ be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Then the people may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Announcements & Blessings

Bishop Antonio's Installation

Join Episcopalians from across the Diocese of Los Angeles as we celebrate the installation of our new bishop! On Saturday, July 11 at 10:00am, our deanery will gather at St. George's Episcopal Church in Laguna Hills to watch the livestream of Bishop Antonio's ordination and consecration.

EPA Social Justice through the Arts

Join the Episcopal Pride Alliance and GLEAM-OC on Sunday, August 9th for an afternoon of community, conversation, and film. The event begins with a potluck luncheon (12:15–1pm), followed by a screening of the award-winning documentary Sanctuary (1pm–2pm).

Need a Eucharistic Visit?

If you or someone you know is unable to attend church in person, our trained Lay Eucharistic Visitors can bring Holy Communion, the Sunday bulletin, and a friendly visit right to your home or care facility. Simply contact the church office to learn more or request a visit.

Episcopal Night at Dodger Stadium

Join the Diocese of LA for our annual Episcopal Night at Dodger Stadium on Thursday, September 3rd. Carpooling will be available from St. Wilfrid's. The game starts at 7pm. Tickets cost \$48 and can be paid for at the SCRIP table or by stopping by the office. E-tickets will be provided on game day. The last day to purchase tickets is Sunday, July 19th.

Bunco Night

Monday, July 13th at 6:30pm

Come join us for a night out in Sacquety Hall, filled with fun and time together! Bunco is a social game played with dice. Don't worry if you've never played – easy rules and instruction will be included. Please bring \$3 to cover prizes (exact change is appreciated), a dessert or appetizer to share, and your choice of drink.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

- A Sacrament is an outward and visible sign of an inward and spiritual grace given unto us, ordained by Christ himself. For Anglicans there are two great Sacraments: Eucharist and Baptism. The *Sursum Corda* (Lift up your hearts) is an invitation for the people joining in the Eucharistic offering, to raise minds and hearts to "things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God." -

Offertory Sentence

– As a continuation of thousands of years of spiritual practice, talent, treasures, and oblations are offered before the altar in our response to God's care and nurture. –

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Ministry of Music Song of Peace

This is my song, O God of all the nations,
a song of peace for lands afar and mine.
This is my home, the country where my heart is;
here are my hopes, my dreams, my holy shrine:
but other hearts in other lands are beating
with hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.

My country's skies are bluer than the ocean,
and sunlight beams on cloverleaf and pine;
but other lands have sunlight too, and clover,
and skies are everywhere as blue as mine:
O hear my song, O God of all the nations,
a song of peace for their land and for mine.

Text: Lloyd Stone

Music: Gene Sibelius, arr. Gary Fry

Please stand as you are able and join in singing the Presentation Hymn.

Presentation Hymn

Old 100th

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise
him, all crea-tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye
heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men

The Great Thanksgiving

Please stand as you are able.

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

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

Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

Presider: It is truly right to glorify you, Holy God, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and forever.

Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance.

Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing:

— The *Sanctus* echoes the words of the high angels in the prophet Isaiah's vision of the dwelling place of God (Isaiah 6:1-3). The *Benedictus*, too, comes directly from Scripture as the acclamation that disciples uttered as Jesus entered Jerusalem. —

Sanctus & Benedictus

Marty Haugen

Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho-ly Lord God of hosts. Heav-ven and
earth are full of your glo-ry Ho - san - na in the high-est
Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - sa - na in the



The people may continue standing, or they may kneel as they are able.

Presider: We acclaim you, Holy God, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy, you came to our help, so that in seeking you, we might find you. Again and again, you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Glorious God, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor, he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose, he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification ✠ of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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 all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Holy God, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

Presider and People: **We praise you, we bless you.**
 We give thanks to you.

— The *epiclesis* is the point at which the church, through the voice of the Presider, asks God to make holy, ‘sanctify’, ‘send’, ‘pour’, ‘breathe’, both the gift of bread and wine and the people who stand around the altar in worship. —

Presider: Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with the matriarchs, patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, with St. Wilfrid and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

The Lord’s Prayer

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

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

The Breaking of the Bread

— The fraction (breaking) of the bread is a crucial link between what has come before and what comes after it. Christ has offered his life for us, and the breaking of the bread makes it possible for all to share in that life. —

A period of silence is kept. The Presider breaks the consecrated bread.

Presider: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

—We eat and drink the sacramental foods. Through the inward and spiritual grace of this sacramental action we are reconstituted as Christ's body, infused with Christ's life, and empowered to be Christ's presence in the world. —

Invitation To Communion

Presider: We gather around the table of God. It is made ready for those who love God and who want to love God more. So come, you who have much faith and you who have little, you who have been here often, and you who have not been for a long time or ever before, you who have tried to follow and you who have fallen short. Come. Wherever you are on your journey of faith, the Church welcomes you and Christ invites you to be known, fed and loved here.

These are the Gifts of God, for you the People of God.

Prayer Partners & Anointing with Holy Oil - Let us pray with you!

During Communion, Prayer Partners are available at the front of the sanctuary on both the north and south sides of the altar. They are present to pray with you and will gently anoint your forehead with holy oil that has been blessed by the Bishop.

If you would like more time for prayer, simply inform a Prayer Partner. They are happy to meet you in the Chapel after the service or at another time that works best for you.

Please be assured that any prayer requests shared with the Prayer Partners are strictly confidential, except for situations of abuse or self-harm.

*Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him and who seek to live in peace with one another. As directed by an usher, please come forward to the Communion rail, kneel, and cup your hands to receive the bread. Those who choose not to receive, but would prefer a blessing, may indicate their desire by folding their arms across their chest. **Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.** Upon receipt of the bread you may cross yourself and take a few moments for prayers. Following the bread, you will have an opportunity to take the wine. You may receive the wine in one of three ways: sipping the wine via the common cup (to limit the spread of illness, the inside of our chalice has a high white gold content, and we use a high alcohol proof wine), through Intinction (if you would like to have your piece of bread {wafer} dipped into the wine, please leave the wafer in your hand and a member of the Altar Party will dip the bread into the wine for you and place the dipped wafer back into your hand), or by drinking from the small plastic chalices.*



Communion Hymn 337 And now, O Father, mindful of the love UNDE ET MEMORES

1 And now, O Fa - ther, mind - ful of the love that
 2 Look Fa - ther, look on his a - noint - ed face, and
 *3 And then for those, our dear - est and our best, by
 *4 And so we come; O draw us to thy feet, most

bought us, once for all, on Cal - vary's tree, and hav - ing with us
 on - ly look on us as found in him; look not on our mis -
 this pre - vail - ing pres - ence we ap - peal; O fold them clos - er
 pa - tient Sa - vior, who canst love us still! And by this food, so

him that pleads a - bove, we here pre - sent, we here spread
 us - ings of thy grace, our prayer so lan - guid, and our
 to thy mer - cy's breast! O do thine ut - most for their
 awe - some and so sweet, de - liv - er us from ev - ery

forth to thee, that on - ly of - fering per - fect in thine
 faith so dim: for lo! be - tween our sins and their re -
 soul's true weal! From taint - ing mis - chief keep them pure and
 touch of ill: in thine own ser - vice make us glad and



Communion Meditation What Wondrous Love

What wondrous love is this! Oh, my soul!

What wondrous love is this! That caused the Lord of bliss
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul.

When I was sinking down, sinking down,
When I was sinking down, Beneath God's righteous frown,
Christ laid a-side His crown for my soul.

To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing,
To God and to the Lamb, Who is the great I Am,
While millions join the theme, I will sing.

And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on,
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joyful be
Throughout eternity, I'll sing on.

Text and Music: American folk hymn; arr. David Stoneman

Post Communion Prayer

Please stand as you are able. After Communion, the Presider invites everyone to prayer.

Presider: Let us pray together:

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 *The Priest blesses the people.*

May God give you grace never to sell yourself short, grace to risk something big for something good, and grace to remember that the world is now too dangerous for anything but truth, and too small for anything but love.

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you now and always. **Amen.**

The verse to the closing hymn will be sung by the cantors. Please join in singing the refrain below.

Hymn God Bless America

Irving Berlin, arr. Ben Adler

God bless A - mer - i - ca Land that I love Stand be -

side her and guide her Thru the night with the light from a - bove From the

moun - tains, to the prai - ries, To the o - ceans white with foam

God bless A - mer - i - ca my home sweet home home.

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Dismissal

Presider: Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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

Voluntary The Emperor's Fanfare

Antonio Soler

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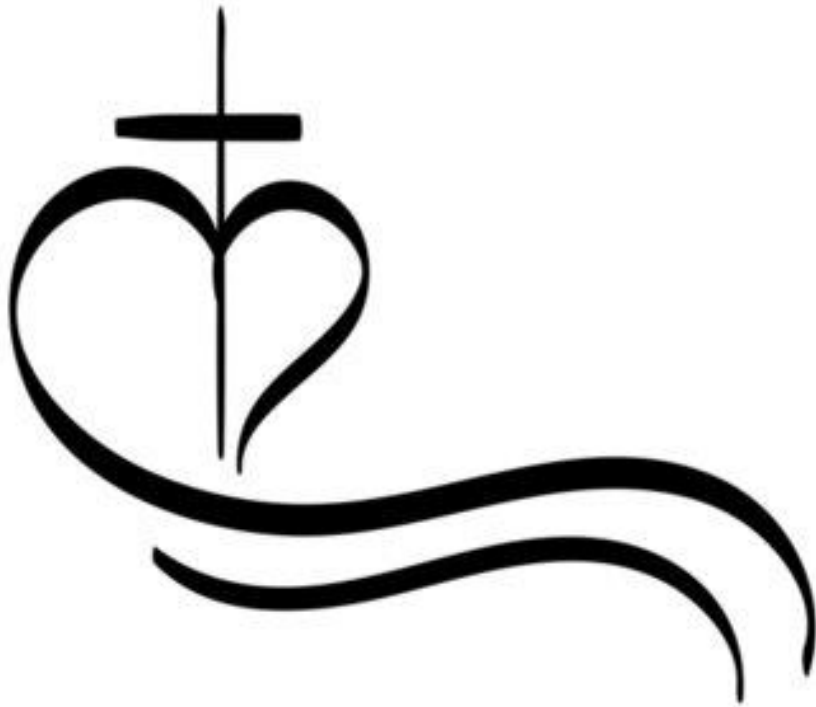
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By tradition, The Episcopal Church offers Holy Communion to all baptized persons. If you are not baptized, but wish to receive, we invite you to participate fully in the opening part of the service, called the Ministry of the Word, hearing God's Word and reflecting on your life, enabling you to come to the table for Communion, if you so choose, with a heart prepared to receive. We hope that, if you feel touched by the Word and Sacrament and wish to learn more about the life-giving power of the Spirit of the Risen Christ, you will contact Fr. Nathan to inquire about participating in Holy Baptism.

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