



St. Francis
Episcopal Church

NINTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST
AUGUST 7, 2022

THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II
8:00 AM & 10:00 AM



PRELUDE

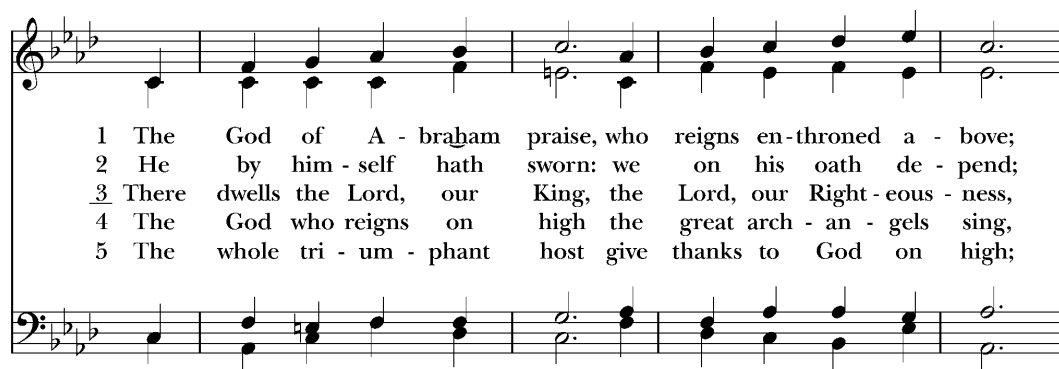
Benita McFarland, organ

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

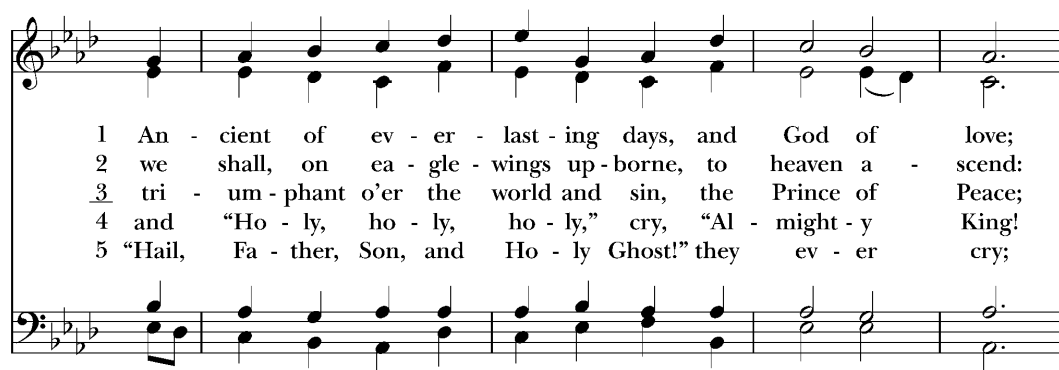
Please stand, sung by all.

OPENING HYMN: *The God of Abraham praise*

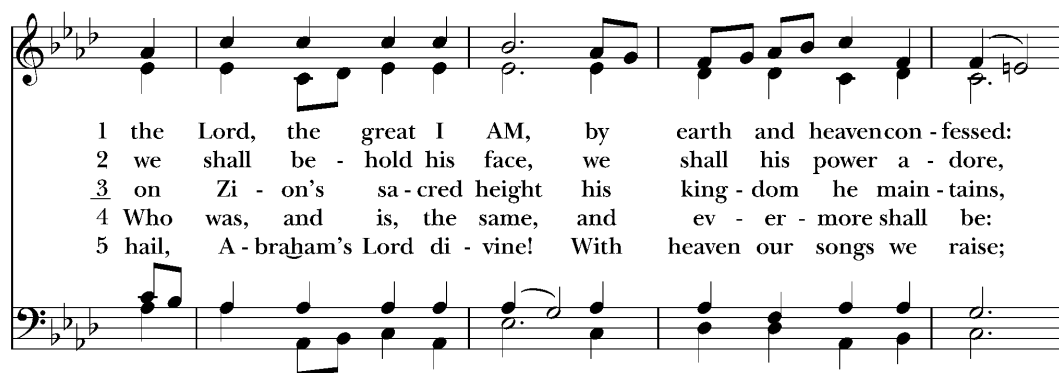
Hymnal 401



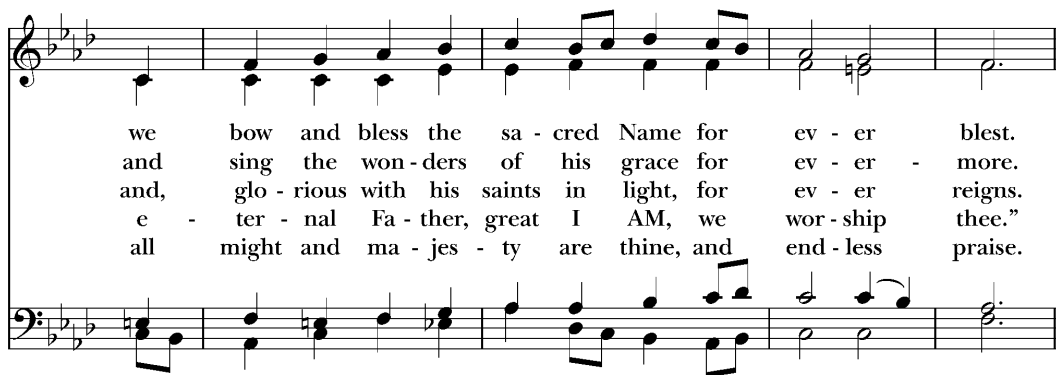
1 The God of A - braham praise, who reigns en - throned a - bove;
2 He by him - self hath sworn: we on his oath de - pend;
3 There dwells the Lord, our King, the Lord, our Right - eous - ness,
4 The God who reigns on high the great arch - an - gels sing,
5 The whole tri - um - phant host give thanks to God on high;



1 An - cient of ev - er - last - ing days, and God of love;
2 we shall, on ea - gle - wings up - borne, to heaven a - scend:
3 tri - um - phant o'er the world and sin, the Prince of Peace;
4 and "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly," cry, "Al - might - y King!
5 "Hail, Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost!" they ev - er cry;



1 the Lord, the great I AM, by earth and heaven con - fessed:
2 we shall be - hold his face, we shall his power a - dore,
3 on Zi - on's sa - cred height his king - dom he main - tains,
4 Who was, and is, the same, and ev - er - more shall be:
5 hail, A - braham's Lord di - vine! With heaven our songs we raise;



we bow and bless the sa - cred Name for ev - er blest.
 and sing the won - ders of his grace for ev - er - more.
 and, glo - rious with his saints in light, for ev - er reigns.
 e - ter - nal Fa - ther, great I AM, we wor - ship thee."
 all might and ma - jes - ty are thine, and end - less praise.

Please remain standing.

THE WORD OF GOD

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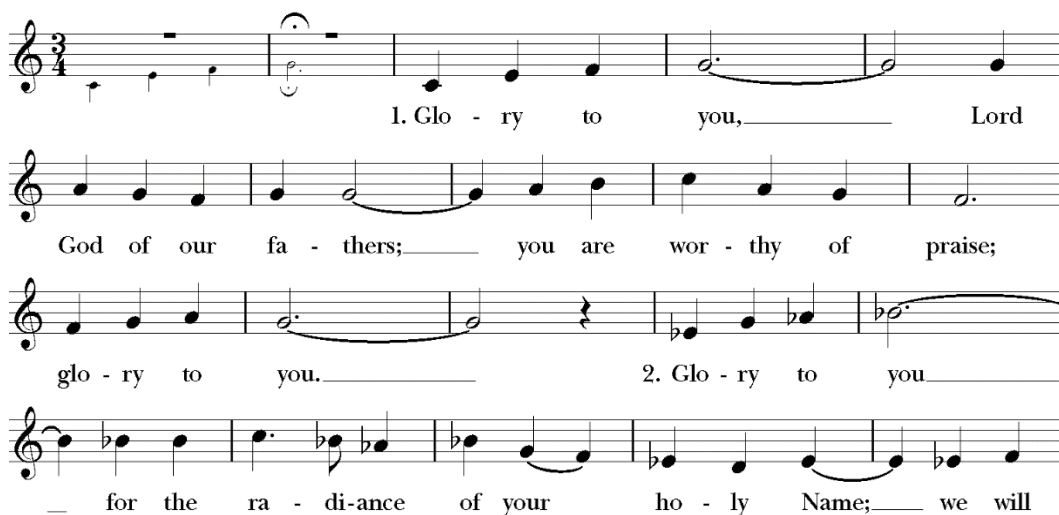
Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

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

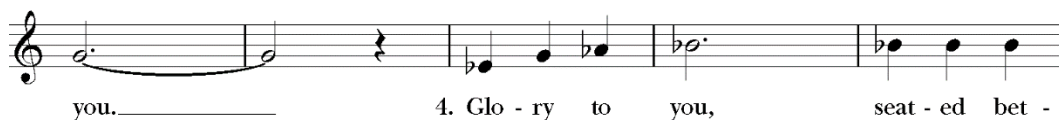
Celebrant: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known,
 and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our
 hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may
 perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name;
 through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

GLORIA

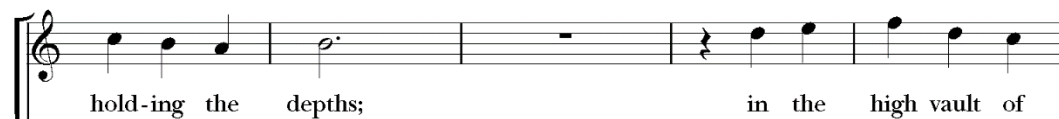
Hymnal S236



1. Glo - ry to you, Lord
 God of our fa - thers; you are wor - thy of praise;
 glo - ry to you. 2. Glo - ry to you
 for the ra - di-ance of your ho - ly Name; we will



Descant



heaven, 6. Glo-ry to you, you. 6. Glo-ry to you, Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Spi-rit; we will Son, and Ho-ly Spi-rit; we will praise you and high-ly ex-alt you Glo-ry to you! high-ly ex-alt you for ev-er.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

THE FIRST READING

Isaiah 1:1, 10-20

A reading from the Prophet Isaiah:

The vision of Isaiah son of Amoz, which he saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah.

Hear the word of the Lord,
you rulers of Sodom!

Listen to the teaching of our God,
you people of Gomorrah!

What to me is the multitude of your sacrifices?
says the Lord;

I have had enough of burnt offerings of rams
and the fat of fed beasts;

I do not delight in the blood of bulls,
or of lambs, or of goats.

When you come to appear before me,
who asked this from your hand?
Trample my courts no more;

bringing offerings is futile;
incense is an abomination to me.

New moon and sabbath and calling of convocation--
I cannot endure solemn assemblies with iniquity.

Your new moons and your appointed festivals
my soul hates;

they have become a burden to me,
I am weary of bearing them.

When you stretch out your hands,
I will hide my eyes from you;

even though you make many prayers,
I will not listen;
your hands are full of blood.

Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean;
remove the evil of your doings
from before my eyes;

cease to do evil,
learn to do good;

seek justice,
rescue the oppressed,

defend the orphan,
plead for the widow.

Come now, let us argue it out,
says the Lord:

though your sins are like scarlet,
they shall be like snow;

though they are red like crimson,
they shall become like wool.

If you are willing and obedient,
you shall eat the good of the land;

but if you refuse and rebel,
you shall be devoured by the sword;
for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.

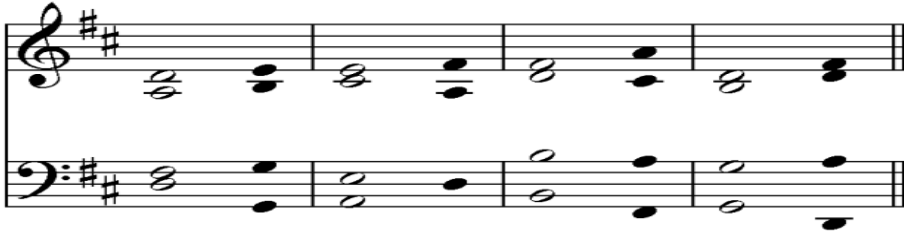
Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sung by all

PSALM 33:12-22

Anglican Chant by Jerome Meacham



- 12 Happy is the nation whose God is the / LORD! *
happy the people he has chosen to be his / own!
- 13 The LORD looks down from / heaven, *
and beholds all the people in the / world.
- 14 From where he sits enthroned he turns his / gaze *
on all who dwell on the / earth.
- 15 He fashions all the hearts of / them *
and understands all their / works.
- 16 There is no king that can be saved by a mighty / army;
a strong man is not delivered by his great / strength.
- 17 The horse is a vain hope for de- / liverance; *
for all its strength it cannot / save.
- 18 Behold, the eye of the LORD is upon those who / fear him, *
on those who wait upon his / love,
- 19 To pluck their lives from / death, *
and to feed them in time of / famine.
- 20 Our soul waits for the / LORD; *
he is our help and our / shield.
- 21 Indeed, our heart rejoices in / him, *
for in his holy Name we put our / trust.
- †22 Let your loving-kindness, O LORD, be up- / on us, *
as we have put our trust in / you.

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews:

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.

By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old-- and Sarah herself was barren-- because he considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, "as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore."

All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

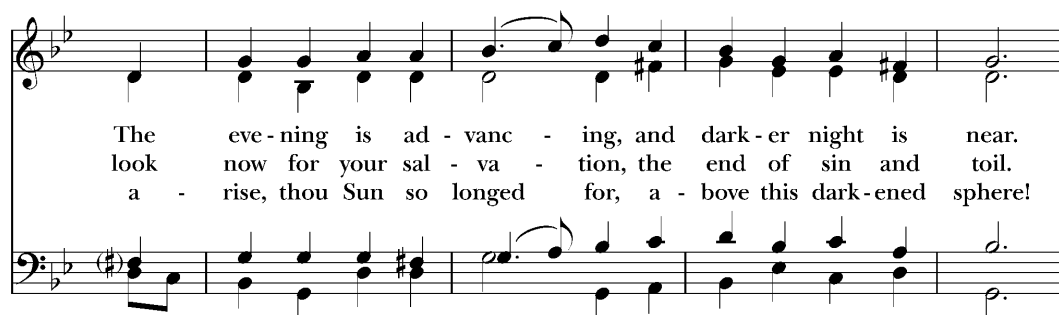
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GRADUAL HYMN: Rejoice! rejoice believers

Hymnal 68



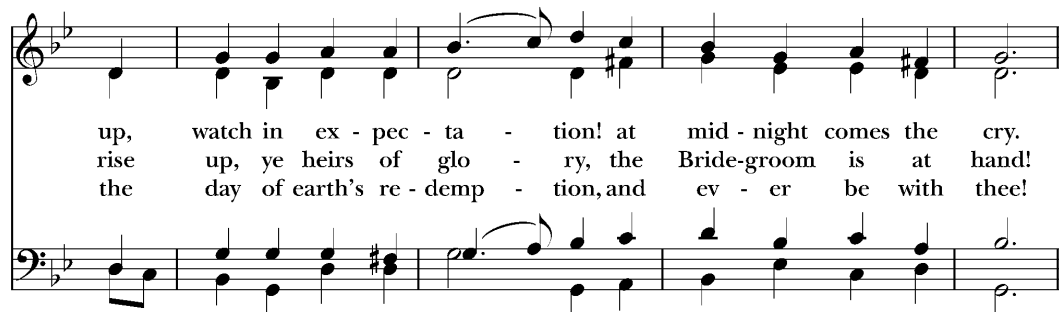
1 Re - joice! re - joice, be - liev - ers, and let your lights ap - pear!
2 See that your lamps are burn - ing, re - ple-nish them with oil;
3 Our hope and ex - pec - ta - tion, O Je - sus, now ap - pear;



The eve-ning is ad - vanc - ing, and dark-er night is near.
look now for your sal - va - tion, the end of sin and toil.
a - rise, thou Sun so longed for, a - bove this dark-ened sphere!



The Bride-groom is a - ris - ing, and soon he will draw nigh;
The mar - riage - feast is wait - ing, the gates wide o - pen stand;
With hearts and hands up - lift - ed, we plead, O Lord, to see



up, watch in ex - pec - ta - tion! at mid - night comes the cry.
rise up, ye heirs of glo - ry, the Bride-groom is at hand!
the day of earth's re - demp - tion, and ev - er be with thee!

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 12:32-40

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to his disciples, "Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

"Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

"But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Please be seated.

THE SERMON

The Rev. Deacon Joe Dzugan

Please stand.

THE NICENE CREED

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Celebrant and People:

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

Intercessor: In peace, we pray to you, Lord God saying, “Lord hear our prayer”

For all people in their daily life and work; for our families, friends,
and neighbors, and for those who are alone, we pray to you, O Lord.

People: *Lord hear our prayer.*

Intercessor: For this community, the nation, and the world; for all who work for
justice, freedom, and peace, we pray to you, O Lord.

People: *Lord hear our prayer.*

Intercessor: For the just and proper use of your creation; for the victims of
hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression, we pray to you, O Lord.

People: *Lord hear our prayer.*

Intercessor: For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble; for those
who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy, we pray to
you, O Lord.

People: *Lord hear our prayer.*

Intercessor: For the peace and unity of the Church of God; for all who proclaim
the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth, we pray to you, O Lord.

People: *Lord hear our prayer.*

Intercessor: For Michael our Presiding Bishop, and Sam and Anne our own Bishops; and
for all bishops and other ministers; for all who serve God in his Church, we
pray to you, O Lord.

People: *Lord hear our prayer.*

Intercessor: For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.
(silence)

Intercessor: We pray to you, O Lord.

People: *Lord hear our prayer.*

Intercessor: Hear us, Lord; for your mercy is great, we pray to you, O Lord.

People: *Lord hear our prayer.*

Intercessor: We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.
(silence)

Intercessor: We pray to you, O Lord.

People: *Lord hear our prayer.*

Intercessor: We will exalt you, O God our King; and praise your Name for ever and ever, we pray to you, O Lord.

People: *Lord hear our prayer.*

Intercessor: We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.
(silence)

Intercessor: We pray to you, O Lord.

People: *Lord hear our prayer.*

Intercessor: Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them; who put their trust in you, we pray to you, O Lord.

People: *Lord hear our prayer.*

Intercessor: O God, our heavenly Father, whose glory fills the whole creation, and whose presence we find wherever we go: Preserve Father Milton who continues on his sabbatical journey. Help him to continue to discern his next steps; surround him with your loving care; protect him from every danger; and bring him in safety to his journey's end, we pray to you, O Lord.

People: *Lord hear our prayer.*

Intercessor: The altar flowers in the church are given to the glory of God and in memory of her husband, Zane, on his birthday by Carole Fisher.
(silence)

Intercessor: We pray to you, O Lord.

People: *Lord hear our prayer.*

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

All: 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 HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Keep Your Lamps

Andre Thomas
drums: Charlie Smith

Keep your lamps trimmed and burning, the time is drawing nigh.
Children, don't get weary 'til your work is done.
Christian journey soon be over, the time is drawing nigh.
Keep your lamps trimmed and burning, the time is drawing nigh.

OFFERTORY HYMN 380

Praise God from whom all blessings flow

Please stand, sung by all.

*3 Praise God, from whom all bless - ings 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.

Please stand.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER B

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Celebrant *People*
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Celebrant *People*
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People
It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Sung by all.

SANCTUS

Hymnal S128

Ho - ly, ho - ly,
ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
heaven 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.

Please kneel.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER B CONTINUES

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Celebrant: ...Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

All: We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory...

Celebrant: ...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.

All: AMEN.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

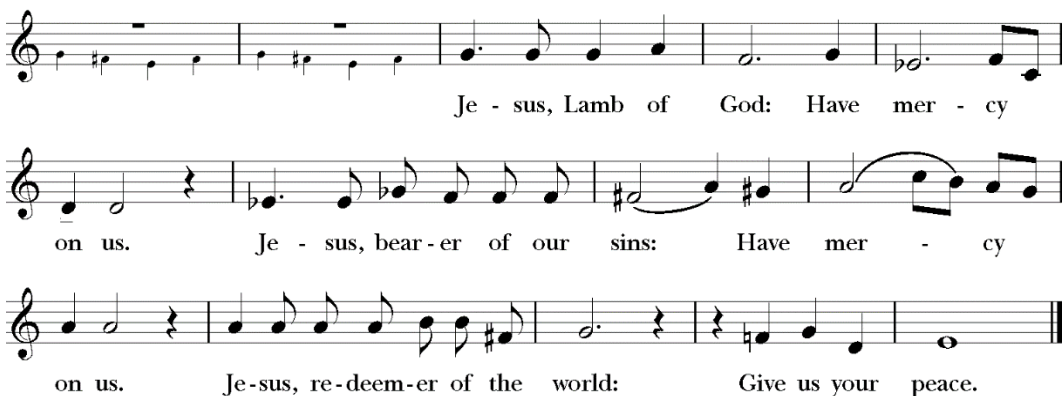
All: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy
kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give
us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we
forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into
temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine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

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Sung by all.

AGNUS DEI

Hymnal S165



Je - sus, Lamb of God: Have mer - cy

on us. Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: Have mer - cy

on us. Je - sus, re - deem - er of the world: Give us your peace.

THE PEACE

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on Him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion. To receive a blessing in lieu of communion, cross your arms over your chest and the priest will give you a blessing. If you are physically unable to approach the altar rail and desire communion, please let an usher know and s/he will tell the priest.

Please be seated.

MUSIC AT COMMUNION

Benita McFarland, organ

Please stand.

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

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Celebrant: Let us pray.

All: Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

THE BLESSING

Celebrant: The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. Amen.

Please stand, sung by all.

CLOSING HYMN: *How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord* Hymnal 637

Descant

5 "The soul that to Je - sus hath fled for re - pose,

1 How firm a foun - da - tion, ye saints of the Lord,
2 "Fear not, I am with thee; O be not dis - mayed!
3 "When through the deep wa - ters I call thee to go,
4 "When through fier - y tri - als thy path - way shall lie,
5 "The soul that to Je - sus hath fled for re - pose,

5 I will not, I will not de - sert to its foes;

1 is laid for your faith in his ex - cel - lent word!
2 For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;
3 the riv - ers of woe shall not thee o - ver - flow;
4 my grace, all suf - fi - cient, shall be thy sup - ply;
5 I will not, I will not de - sert to its foes;

The musical score is written for five voices (Soprano, Alto, Tenor 1, Tenor 2, Bass) and piano accompaniment. It begins with a descant in the key of D major. The lyrics are arranged in five parts, with the fifth part being a repeat of the first line. The piano accompaniment provides a harmonic foundation for the vocal parts.

5 soul, _____ to shake, no,

1 What more can he say than to you he hath said,
 2 I'll strength - en thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,
 3 for I will be with thee, thy trou - bles to bless,
 4 the flame shall not hurt thee; I on - ly de - sign
 5 that soul, though all hell shall en - deav - or to shake,

5 I'll nev - er, no, nev - er, no, nev - er for - sake."

1 to you that for ref - uge to Je - sus have fled?
 2 up - held by my right - eous, om - ni - po - tent hand.
 3 and sanc - ti - fy to thee thy deep - est dis - tress.
 4 thy dross to con - sume, and thy gold to re - fine.
 5 I'll nev - er, no, nev - er, no, nev - er for - sake."

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Benita McFarland, organ

ALTAR FLOWERS

The altar flowers in the church are given to the glory of God and in memory of her husband, Zane, on his birthday by Carole Fisher.

PRAYER LIST

MINISTERING TO THE SICK AND THOSE IN NEED is an important part of the ministry of St. Francis Church. If you know of a parishioner who is sick or in need, please notify the church office.

OUR PRAYERS are requested for the special needs and concerns of this congregation, especially:

Those in Need Of Prayers

Deborah and Tim, Lois D. Bailey, Jane Crandall, Barbara Curran (sister of Jane Woody), Brian Dancy, Danny Hall, Karen Johnson, Lisa, Bruce Lyon, Drew Moen, Bill Richard, Rogers, Ben Saunders, Dawn Shuford, Bill Smith, Skyler, Wanda, Fred and Gail Warnecke, and Katherine Woody

Those Serving in the Armed Forces and First Responders:

Will, Lt. Rick Battle, Sgt. Thomas Earls, Justin Gray, Steve Lynch, Pfc. Liam Marshall, Ana and Devin McMahan, Dep. Allen Upson, Sgt. David Upson, and their families.

Please email us at: announcements@stfrancisgreensboro.org with any additions or updates to our prayer list.

If you are new to St.
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out the E-Visitor Card.



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