

## The Word of God: Penitential Order

**PRELUDE** *Sleepers, wake! A voice astounds us* J. S. Bach

**ENTRANCE HYMN** *Lo! He comes with clouds descending* Hymnal 57

**OPENING ACCLAMATION** BCP p. 351

*Celebrant* Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.  
*People* His mercy endures for ever.

Since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

—Hebrews 4:14, 16

**CONFESSION OF SIN** BCP p. 352

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*  
*Minister and People*

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 Priest stands and 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.*

*Cantor or Choir* *All* *Cantor or Choir*

Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.

*All* *Cantor or Choir* *All*

Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant*        The Lord be with you.  
*People*            And also with you.  
*Celebrant*        Let us pray.

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

## FIRST READING

Jeremiah 33:14-16

A Reading from the book of the prophet Jeremiah.

<sup>14</sup>The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. <sup>15</sup>In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. <sup>16</sup>In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

*Reader*            The Word of the Lord.  
*People*            Thanks be to God.

## PSALM

PSALM 25:1-9

<sup>1</sup> To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul; my God, I put my trust in you; * let me not be humiliated, nor let my enemies triumph over me.	<sup>6</sup> Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; * remember me according to your love and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.
<sup>2</sup> Let none who look to you be put to shame; * let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.	<sup>7</sup> Gracious and upright is the LORD; * therefore he teaches sinners in his way.
<sup>3</sup> Show me your ways, O LORD, * and teach me your paths.	<sup>8</sup> He guides the humble in doing right * and teaches his way to the lowly.
<sup>4</sup> Lead me in your truth and teach me, * for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.	<sup>9</sup> All the paths of the LORD are love and faithfulness * to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.
<sup>5</sup> Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love, * for they are from everlasting.	

## SECOND READING

1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

A Reading from Paul's first letter to the Thessalonians.

<sup>9</sup>How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? <sup>10</sup>Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith.

<sup>11</sup>Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. <sup>12</sup>And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. <sup>13</sup>And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

*Reader*            The Word of the Lord.  
*People*            Thanks be to God.

**GOSPEL**

Luke 21:25-36

*Priest* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

*People* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said: <sup>25</sup>“There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. <sup>26</sup>People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. <sup>27</sup>Then they will see ‘the Son of Man coming in a cloud’ with power and great glory. <sup>28</sup>Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.”

<sup>29</sup>Then he told them a parable: “Look at the fig tree and all the trees; <sup>30</sup>as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. <sup>31</sup>So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. <sup>32</sup>Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. <sup>33</sup>Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

<sup>34</sup>“Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, <sup>35</sup>like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. <sup>36</sup>Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.”

*Priest* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* Praise to you, Lord Christ.

**THE SERMON****THE NICENE CREED**

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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**

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I ask your prayers for God’s people throughout the world; for our Presiding Bishop Michael and our Bishop John; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people.

Pray for the Church.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people.

Pray for justice and peace.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison.  
Pray for those in any need or trouble.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him.  
Pray that they may find and be found by him.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for the departed [especially \_\_\_\_\_].  
Pray for those who have died.

*Silence*

*Members of the congregation may ask the prayers or the thanksgivings of those present*

I ask your prayers for \_\_\_\_\_ .  
I ask your thanksgiving for \_\_\_\_\_ .

*Silence*

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored.  
Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

*Silence*

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

## **THE PEACE**

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

## **The Holy Communion**

### **OFFERTORY**

*Comfort Ye/Every Valley from "Messiah"*  
Stephen Smith, tenor

G. F. Handel

### **THE DOXOLOGY**

### **THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

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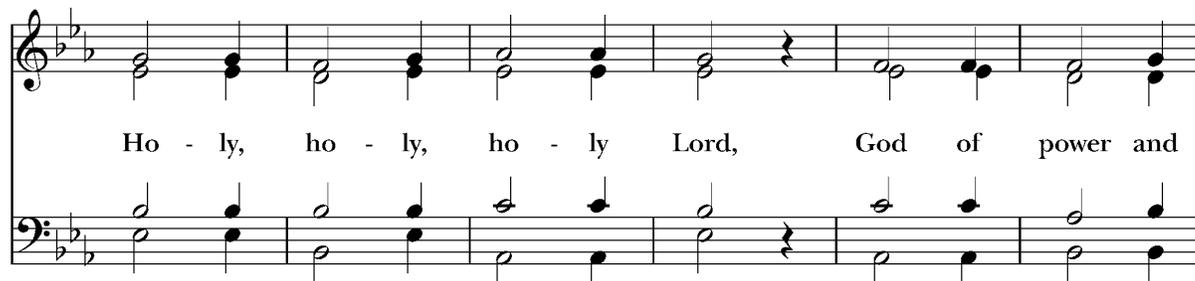
*Celebrant*        The Lord be with you.  
*People*         And also with you.  
*Celebrant*        Lift up your hearts.  
*People*         We lift them to the Lord.  
*Celebrant*        Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
*People*         It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

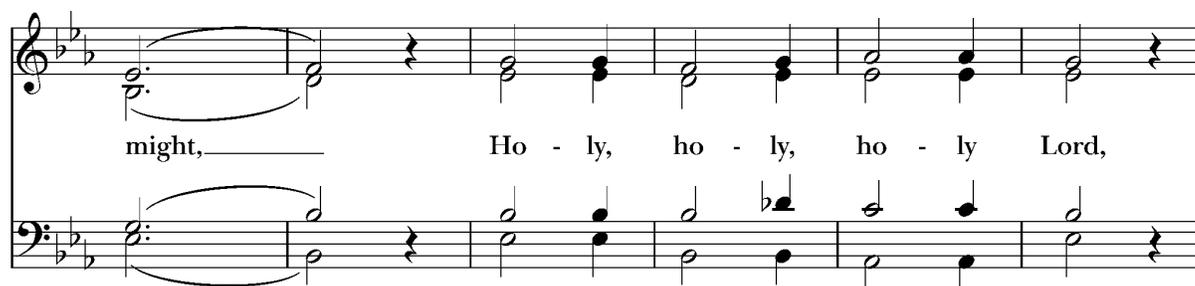
Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

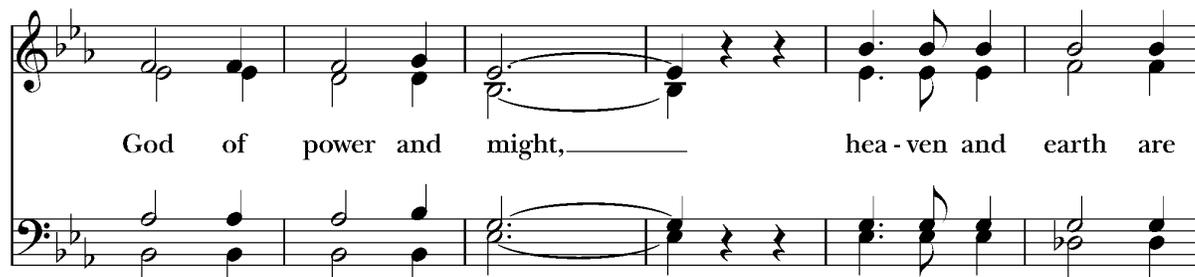
*Celebrant and People*



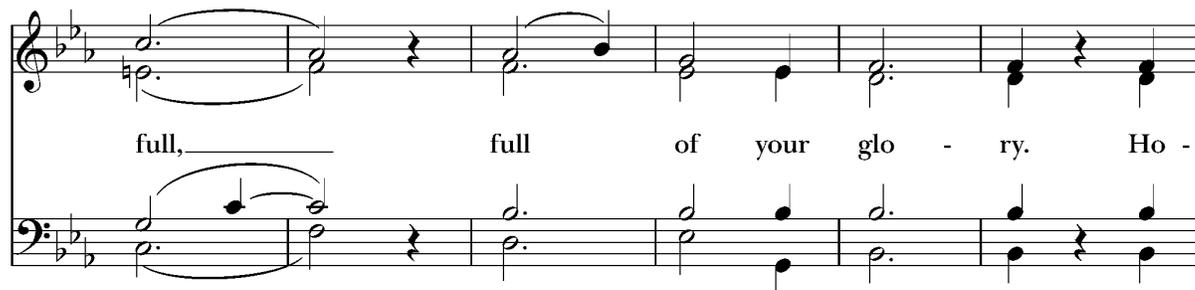
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and



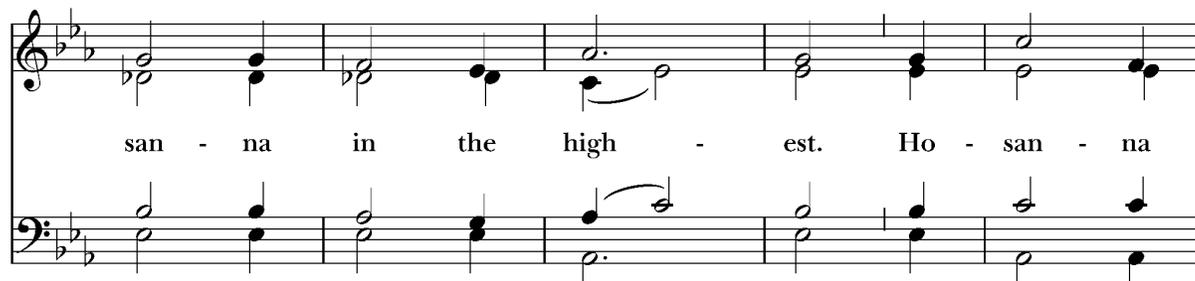
might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,



God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are



full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -



san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*The Celebrant continues*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

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

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

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People*

Christ has died.  
 Christ is risen.  
 Christ will come again.

*The Celebrant continues*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *AMEN.*

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

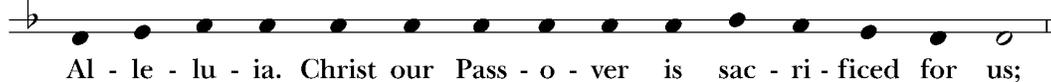
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*People and Celebrant*

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

**THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

**FRACTION ANTHEM**



Al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;



There - fore let us keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia.

**POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

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*Celebrant and People*

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.

**BLESSING**

May the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you and scatter the darkness from before your path; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

**POST-COMMUNION HYMN**

*Hail to the Lord's Anointed*

Hymnal 616

**DISMISSAL**

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*Celebrant* Let us bless the Lord.  
*People* Thanks be to God.

**POSTLUDE**

*Voluntary on "Wachet auf"*

Paul Manz

## WREATH DEDICATION

*Wreathes are given to the Glory of God and in thanksgiving for St Paul's parishioners who unselfishly minister to others within our church and community, by Stan & Laney Golden.  
and  
In thanksgiving for our church family, by the Clayton family.*

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## PRAYER CONCERNS FOR NOVEMBER 28, 2021

### **We remember those in need of healing and relief from pain including:**

**Those with cancer:** Brandy, Bill, Dave, Deann, Eric, Gary, George, Liz, Mary Catherine, Sandy, and Sheila.

**For those in cancer remission:** Andie, Don, and Zanie.

**Those healing from Surgery:** Emmy, Greg, Lisa, Lynn and Mac.

**Those experiencing a mental health issue.**

**Those with other needs:** Ann, Ashlynn, Bill, Beth, Claire, Debria, Dillon, Gene, James, Jane, Jennifer, Jerry, Josh, Katie, Landry, Lorrie, Margie, Martha, Micki, Miller, and Nancy/family.

**Those imprisoned, including:** Abu-Ali, Charles, Charlie, Chris, David, Dillon, Gregory, James, Jessie, Joe, Keith, Linda, Michael, Oscar, Pervis, Quinten, Terrance, Tiffany, and Tyrone.

**Those experiencing homelessness, including:** Andrea, Carol, Cindy, Connie, Deborah, Donna, Jeri, Jessica, Kelsey, Kimberley, Kristi, Laura, Lori, Melissa, Renada, Sharon, and Tiffany.

**All veterans and those in military service and their families, including:** Benjamin, Brady, Chris, Derrick, Elaine, Evan, Kaitlin, Nathan, Patrick, Trevor, and Zach.

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The Rev. Dr. Kristine Blaess, Rector  
The Rev. Michael Whitnah, Associate Rector  
Thomas Becker, Seminarian  
Angela Tipps, Organist and Director of Music  
Lectors: Steve Luboniecki, Gina Garner  
Intercessor: Jenny Fayter  
Chalice Bearers: George Carlson, Kristi Hay, Jeff James, Marta Van Hoose, Lynn Wilson  
Acolytes: John Dickey, Isaac Dickey  
Technical Team: Andy Metz, Don Whitfield  
Ushers: Lisa Walsh, Rick Walsh  
Altar Guild: Barbara Collins, Alice Gibson, Jenny Fayter, Rose Wright, Bruce Gibson