



**Welcome to**  
**St. John the Divine Episcopal Church**  
**17740 Peak Avenue, Morgan Hill, CA 95037**



**November 13, 2022**  
**The Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost**  
**Holy Eucharist**

*St. John the Divine Episcopal Church in Morgan Hill is a welcoming, inclusive community, sharing the Love of God with one another through prayer, worship, fellowship, and pastoral care, and through our outreach ministries in the South Valley communities and the Diocese of El Camino Real.*



## WORD OF GOD

### Opening Hymn:

### Come, We That Love the Lord

Isaac Watts (1674-1748)

Worship & Rejoice #67

ST. THOMAS

Aaron Williams (1731-1776)



1. Come, we that love the Lord, and let our joys be known, join  
2. Let those re - fuse to sing who nev - er knew our God; but  
3. The hill of Zi - on yields a thou - sand sa - cred sweets be -  
4. Then let our songs a - bound, and ev - ery tear be dry; we're  
in a song with sweet ac - cord, and thus sur - round the throne.  
child - ren of the heaven - ly King may speak their joys a - broad.  
fore we reach the heaven - ly fields, or walk the gold - en streets.  
march - ing through Em - man - uel's ground to fair - er worlds on high.

### Opening Acclamation

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

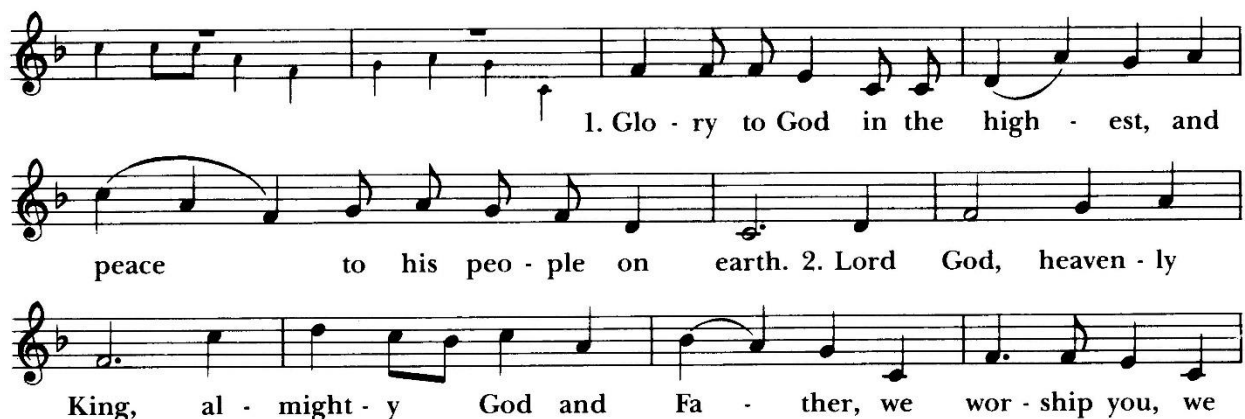
*People:* And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

### Collect for Purity

*All*

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



1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and  
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly  
King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we

give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus  
 Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you  
 take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy  
 on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -  
 ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,  
 you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most  
 High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the  
 glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

### *Collect of the Day*

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

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

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

God, who is faithful when all the foundations crumble: in the time of crisis, as holy places fall and nations stumble, give us the conviction to bear witness to love, whatever the cost; through Jesus Christ, the Word and Wisdom of God. **Amen.**

## ***The Lessons***

### ***First Reading***

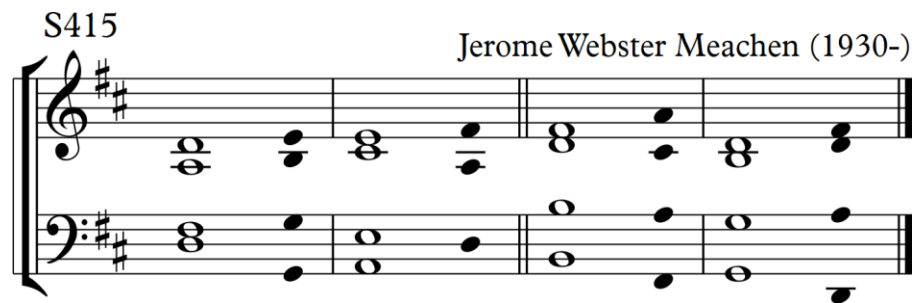
***Isaiah 65:17-25***

For I am about to create new heavens  
and a new earth;  
the former things shall not be remembered  
or come to mind.  
But be glad and rejoice forever  
in what I am creating;  
for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy, and its people as a delight.  
I will rejoice in Jerusalem,  
and delight in my people;  
no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it,  
or the cry of distress.  
No more shall there be in it  
an infant that lives but a few days,  
or an old person who does not live out a lifetime;  
for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth,  
and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed.  
They shall build houses and inhabit them;  
they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.  
They shall not build and another inhabit;  
they shall not plant and another eat;  
for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be,  
and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands.  
They shall not labor in vain,  
or bear children for calamity;  
for they shall be offspring blessed by the LORD--  
and their descendants as well.  
Before they call I will answer,  
while they are yet speaking I will hear.  
The wolf and the lamb shall feed together,  
the lion shall eat straw like the ox;  
but the serpent-- its food shall be dust!  
They shall not hurt or destroy  
on all my holy mountain, says the LORD.  
The Word of the Lord.

***All:***       **Thanks be to God.**

***Canticle 9: The First Song of Isaiah***

***Isaiah 12:2-6***



Surely, it is God who saves me; \*

I will trust in him and not be afraid.

For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, \*  
and he will be my Savior.

Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing \*  
from the springs of salvation.

And on that day you shall say, \*  
Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name;

Make his deeds known among the peoples; \*  
see that they remember that his Name is exalted.

Sing the praises of the Lord, for he has done great things, \*  
and this is known in all the world.

Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, ring out your joy, \*  
for the great one in the midst of you is the Holy One of Israel.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \*  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

***Second Reading***

***2 Thessalonians 3:6-13***

Now we command you, beloved, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from believers who are living in idleness and not according to the tradition that they received from us. For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not idle when we were with you, and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it; but with toil and labor we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you. This was not because we do not have that right, but in order to give you an example to imitate. For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: Anyone unwilling to work should not eat. For we hear

that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work. Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

The Word of the Lord.

**All:** Thanks be to God.

*Please stand*

## **Gospel Gradual:**

### At the Turning of the Year

Michael Hudson, 2004

$\text{♩} = 60$

Songs for the Cycle, p. 174

RATISBON

*Geystliche gesangk Buchleyrn, 1524*

1. At the turn - ing of the year we re - turn to con - tem - plate  
 2. At the turn - ing of the year wax - ing nights an - nun - ci - ate  
 3. At the turn - ing of the year we look back and spe - cu - late  
 4. At the turn - ing of the year we look for - ward as we wait

sea - sons, cy - cles, signs, and times, sa - cred ground to cul - ti - vate.  
 warm - er suns that pro - mise spring, ev - en as the sun mi - grates.  
 on the ebb and flow of life, ask - ing what it in - di - cates.  
 for the grace of God in time, ne - ver ear - ly, ne - ver late,

In - sight of - ten grows more clear at the turn - ing of the year.  
 Hope sleeps in the husk of fear at the turn - ing of the year.  
 Wis - dom speaks, and some will hear at the turn - ing of the year.  
 al - ways dis - tant, al - ways here at the turn - ing of the year.

## ***Gospel Reading***

***Luke 21:5-19***

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

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

When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, Jesus said, "As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down."

They asked him, "Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?" And he said, "Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and, 'The time is near!' Do not go after them.

"When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately." Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

"But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. This will give you an opportunity to testify. So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance; for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your souls."

*Celebrant:* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## ***Sermon***

***The Rev. Karen Cuffie***

## ***Nicene Creed***

**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**



**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the Prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

### ***Prayers of the People***

**Leader:** Beloved God, we thank you for giving us power through your Spirit to reveal your life to the world: strengthen, bless, and guide us to make you known by word and example.

We are your Church, O God.

**People:** **Guide us in your grace.**

**Leader:** We thank you for your creation, and pray for the earth you have given us to cherish and protect: nourish in us your love for all you have made.

We are your stewards, O God.

**People:** **Guide us in your grace.**

**Leader:** Guide and bless us in our work and in our play, and shape the patterns of our political and economic life, that all people may share in the fulfillment of your creative work. In the diocesan cycle of prayer we pray for all who engage in mission: our Missional Grants Committee; for The Rev. Filemón Diaz, Latino Missioner in Southern Monterey County.

We are your servants, O God.

**People:** **Guide us in your grace.**

**Leader:** Awaken our hearts to your presence in all people; in those we love easily and those with whom we struggle to love, in those different from us and those familiar to us.

We are made in your image, O God.

**People:** **Guide us in your grace.**

**Leader:** We thank you for calling us to a glorious heritage as your holy people. Free us from lack of vision, from inertia of will and spirit. By your life-giving Spirit, lead us out of isolation and oppression, redeem and restore us.

You are the life with in us, O God.

**People:** **Guide us in your grace.**

**Leader:** We thank you for the gift of life, with all its blessings and sorrows. Shield the joyous, comfort and strengthen those in any need or trouble.

*(Please add your own petitions either silently or aloud.)*

Bless those who will be born today and those who will die, that joining with the company of all your saints we may rejoice in one unending song of praise.

*(Please add your own pititions either silently or aloud.)*

In you alone we have eternal life, O God.

**People:** **Guide us in your grace.**

**Celebrant:** We offer these our prayers and thanksgivings to you, O God, the source of all that is true and holy, now and for ever.

**People:** **Amen.**

## ***Confession of Sin***

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

*(There will be a moment of silence)*

*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**

## ***Absolution***

*Celebrant:* Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

## ***The Peace***

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

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

*Exchange peace.*



## Offertory:

# Come and Find the Quiet Center

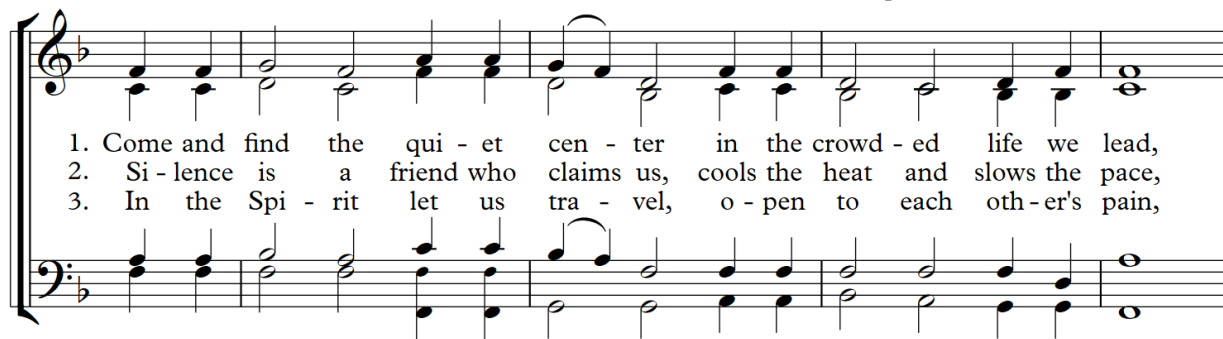
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BEACH SPRING

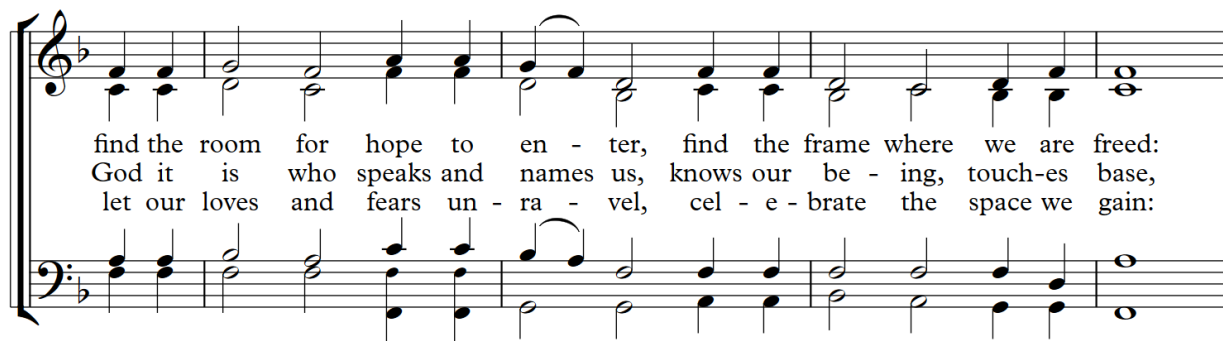
Shirley Erena Murray (1931- )

*The Sacred Harp*, 1844

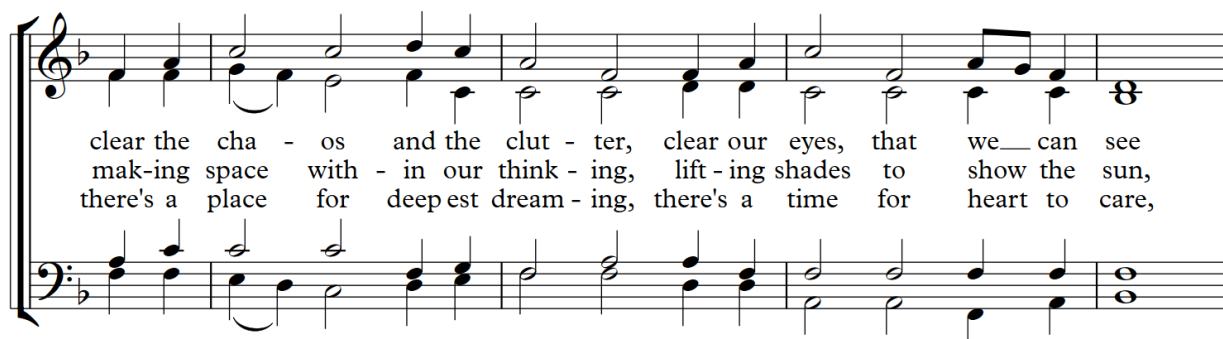
arr. compilers of *Common Ground*, 1998



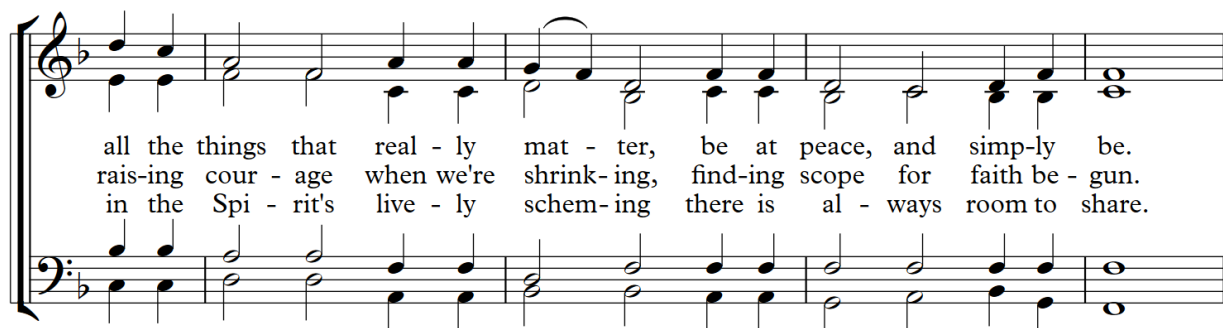
1. Come and find the qui - et cen - ter in the crowd - ed life we lead,  
2. Si - lence is a friend who claims us, cools the heat and slows the pace,  
3. In the Spi - rit let us tra - vel, o - pen to each oth - er's pain,



find the room for hope to en - ter, find the frame where we are freed:  
God it is who speaks and names us, knows our be - ing, touch-es base,  
let our loves and fears un - ra - vel, cel - e - brate the space we gain:



clear the cha - os and the clut - ter, clear our eyes, that we can see  
mak-ing space with - in our think - ing, lift - ing shades to show the sun,  
there's a place for deepest dream - ing, there's a time for heart to care,



all the things that real - ly mat - ter, be at peace, and simp-ly be.  
rais-ing cour - age when we're shrink-ing, find-ing scope for faith be - gun.  
in the Spi - rit's live - ly schem-ing there is al - ways room to share.

## Doxology (Old 100th)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;  
praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. A - men.

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*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 our thanks and praise.**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

## Holy, Holy, Holy Lord *Sanctus*

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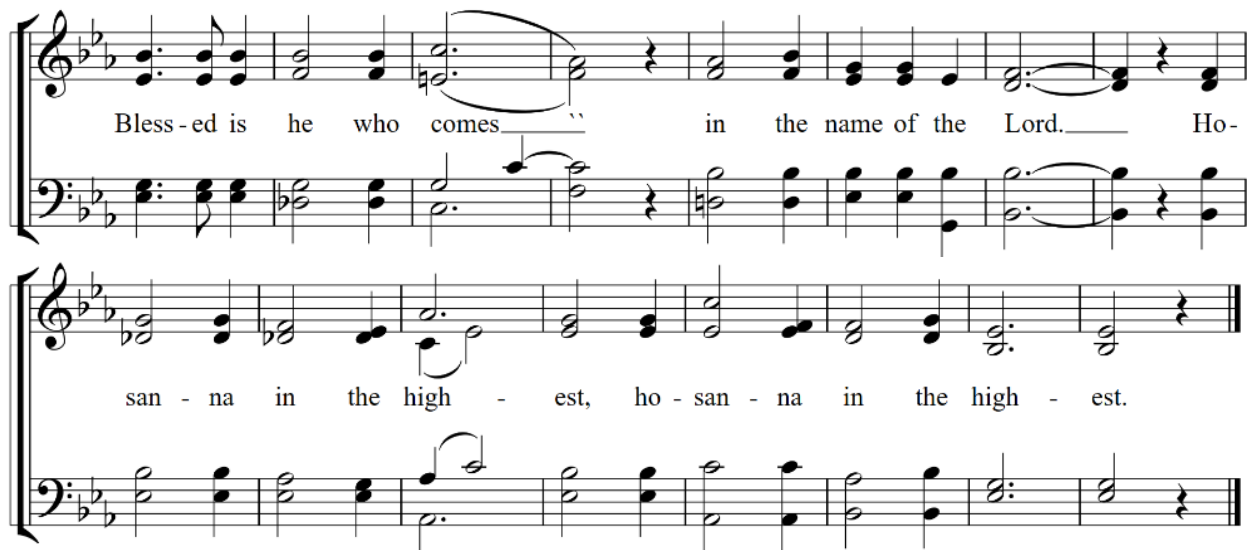
Setting from *Deutsche Messe*, Franz Peter Schubert, arr. Richard Proulx

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.



*The Celebrant continues*

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

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

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

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

*People*

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

*The Celebrant continues*

Lord God of our fathers and mothers: God of Abraham and Sarah, Isaac and Rachael, Jacob and Leah; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not

for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

*People*

**Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the bread.**

*The Celebrant continues*

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

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to sing,

*People and Celebrant*

## The Lord's Prayer

The Hymnal 1940 #722

Traditional, very ancient

Our Fa-ther, who art in heav en, Hal low - ed be thy Name. Thy king-dom come.

Thy will be done. On earth as it is in heav en. Give us this day our dai-ly bread.

And for-give us our tres-pass-es, As we for-give those who tres-pass a-gainst us.

And lead us not in - to temp-ta - tion, But de - liv - er us from e - vil.

For thine is the king-dom, and the pow-er and the glo ry, for ev-er and ev-er. A men.

The musical score is written on five staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It features a simple, melodic line with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are: 'Our Fa-ther, who art in heav en, Hal low - ed be thy Name. Thy king-dom come. Thy will be done. On earth as it is in heav en. Give us this day our dai-ly bread. And for-give us our tres-pass-es, As we for-give those who tres-pass a-gainst us. And lead us not in - to temp-ta - tion, But de - liv - er us from e - vil. For thine is the king-dom, and the pow-er and the glo ry, for ev-er and ev-er. A men.'

## The Breaking of the Bread

*Celebrant:* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

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

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



## Communion Hymn:

### Breath of God

Voices Found #59

Carl P. Daw, 1996

BINGHAM

Dorothy Howell Sheets, 1984

1. Breath of God, life - bear-ing wind, wak-ing mat - ter in - to birth,\_\_\_\_  
2. Breath of God, word-bear-ing wind, truth - re - veal - er, pro-phet's speech,\_\_\_\_  
3. Breath of God, fire - bear-ing wind, source of pow - er, love, and light,\_\_\_\_  
4. Breath of God, song-bear-ing wind, stir-ring won - der to re - joice,\_\_\_\_

plant ing prom - ise, prompt-ing hope:\_\_\_\_ with your life re - new the earth.  
guide to vis - tas of the mind:\_\_\_\_ let your word ex - cite and teach.  
melt-ing fears and join - ing tongues:\_\_\_\_ with your fire our hearts ig - nite.  
yearning's ech - o, gra - ce's dance:\_\_\_\_ let your song give our prayersvoice.

## Post Communion Prayer

*Please stand*

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

*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.**

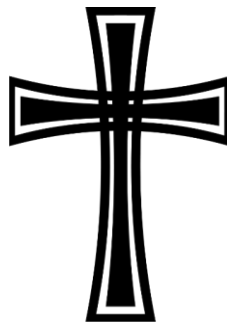
## *The Blessing*

### *Announcements*

#### *Birthday and Anniversary Blessings*

**Birthday Blessing:** Watch over your birthday *children*, O Lord; as *their* days increase; bless and guide *them* wherever *they* may be. Strengthen *them* when *they* stand; comfort *them* when discouraged or sorrowful; raise *them* up if *they* fall; and in *their* hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of *their* lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Anniversary Blessing:** O God, you have so consecrated the covenant of marriage that in it is represented the spiritual unity between Christ and his church: Send therefore your blessing upon these your servants, that they may so love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness, that their home may be a haven of blessing and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



## Mission Song:

# O Christ, the Word Incarnate

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fr. *Neu-verkehrtes und zu Übung Christl.*

William Walsham How (1823-1897)

*Gottseligkeit eingerichtetes Meiningsches Gesangbuch, 1693*

1. O\_\_ Christ, the Word In - car - nate, O Wis- dom. from on high,  
2. The\_ Church from our dear Mas - ter re - ceived the\_ word di - vine,

O\_\_ Truth, un - changed, un - chang - ing, O Light of\_\_ our dark sky;  
and\_ still that light is lift - ed o'er all the\_ earth to shine.

we praise thee for the ra - diance that from the scrip ture's page,  
It is the chart and com - pass that o'er life's surg - ing sea,

a lan - tern to our foot - steps, shines on from age to age.  
mid mists and rocks and quick - sands, still guides, O Christ, to thee.

The musical score is written for two voices (Soprano and Bass) and piano accompaniment. It features a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat) and a common time signature. The melody is primarily in the soprano part, with the bass part providing harmonic support. The piano accompaniment consists of chords and moving lines in both hands. The lyrics are printed below the vocal staves, with line numbers 1 and 2 indicating different verses.

## The Dismissal

**Celebrant:** Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

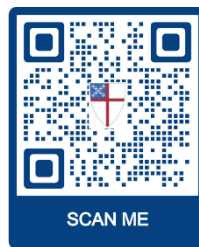
**People:** Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

## **Birthdays** last week and this week:

Andrew Ludwick

## **Parish announcements:**

- Community Solutions always needs diapers and wipes.
- We are also collecting full sized toiletries and cleaning supplies. Please drop off your donations at the church.
- Here is the QR code to our new website:



If you are a visitor to St. John's and are interested in learning more about us, or would like to receive our weekly newsletter, please sign the visitors book near the entrance or email Rev. Karen at [revkaren.sjd@gmail.com](mailto:revkaren.sjd@gmail.com).

***Reminder:*** *Next week's service is at 10:00am at St. Stephen's.*