



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



August 15, 2021
The Twelfth 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:

Songs of Praise the Angels Sang

James Montgomery (1771-1854)

H# 426, alternate tune

ST. BEES
John Bacchus Dykes (1823-1876)

1. Songs of praise the an - gels sang, heaven with al - le - lu - ias rang,
2. Songs of praise a - woke the morn when the Prince of Peace was born;
3. Heaven and earth must pass a - way; songs of praise shall crown that day;
5. Saints be - low, with heart and voice, still in songs of praise re - joice,
6. Borne up - on their lat - est breath, songs of praise shall con - quer death;

when cre - a - tion was be - gun, when God spoke and it was done.
songs of praise a - rose when he cap - tive led cap - ti - vi - ty.
God will make new heavens and earth; songs of praise shall hail their birth.
learn - ing here, by faith and love, songs of praise to sing a - bove.
then, a - midst e - ter - nal joy, songs of praise their powers em - ploy.

Opening Acclamation

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

People: Glory to God for ever and ever.

Collect for Purity

All

Almighty God, we praise you for the many blessings you have given to those who worship you in this house of prayer: and we pray that all who seek you in this place may find you, and, being filled with the Holy Spirit, may become a living temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Gloria

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.

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

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.

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.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant: God be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Divine love, undaunted by death and fear, who went to the depths to bring back life:
in the power of the cross shape a people of service, breaking bread for a hungry
world; through Jesus Christ, the true food. **Amen.**

The Lessons

First Reading

1 Kings 2:10-12; 3:3-14

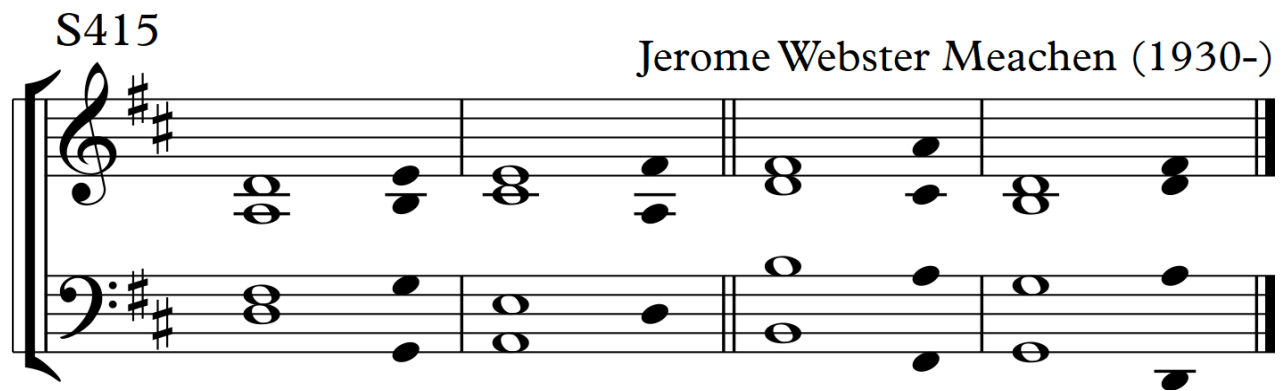
David slept with his ancestors, and was buried in the city of David. The time that David reigned over Israel was forty years; he reigned seven years in Hebron, and thirty-three years in Jerusalem. So Solomon sat on the throne of his father David; and his kingdom was firmly established.

Solomon loved the LORD, walking in the statutes of his father David; only, he sacrificed and offered incense at the high places. The king went to Gibeon to sacrifice there, for that was the principal high place; Solomon used to offer a thousand burnt offerings on that altar. At Gibeon the LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, "Ask what I should give you." And Solomon said, "You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward you; and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love, and have given him a son to sit on his throne today. And now, O LORD my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people, so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil; for who can govern this your great people?"

It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. God said to him, "Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches, or for the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, I now do according to your word. Indeed I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before you and no one like you shall arise after you. I give you also what you have not asked, both riches and honor all your life; no other king shall compare with you. If you will walk in my ways, keeping my statutes and my commandments, as your father David walked, then I will lengthen your life."

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

All: **Thanks be to God.**



Psalm:

Psalm 111

1 Hallelujah!

I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, *
in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.

2 Great are the deeds of the LORD! *

they are studied by all who delight in them.

3 His work is full of majesty and splendor, *

and his righteousness endures for ever.

4 He makes his marvelous works to be remembered; *

the LORD is gracious and full of compassion.

5 He gives food to those who fear him; *

he is ever mindful of his covenant.

6 He has shown his people the power of his works *

in giving them the lands of the nations.

7 The works of his hands are faithfulness and justice; *

all his commandments are sure.

8 They stand fast for ever and ever, *

because they are done in truth and equity.

9 He sent redemption to his people;

he commanded his covenant for ever; *

holy and awesome is his Name.

10 The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; *

those who act accordingly have a good understanding;

his praise endures for ever.

Second Reading

Ephesians 5:15-20

Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, making the most of the time, because the days are evil. So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

All: Thanks be to God.

Please stand

Gospel Gradual:

The Gifts We Have Presented

Michael Hudson, 2004

Songs for the Cycle, p.104

EVENTIDE

William Henry Monk (1823-1889)

The musical score is written for a choir or solo voice with piano accompaniment. It features a treble and bass staff for the piano, and a single staff for the voice. The key signature is B-flat major (two flats). The tempo and mood are indicated by the title 'EVENTIDE'. The lyrics are arranged in three parts, each with a different starting note for the voice part. The piano accompaniment consists of simple chords and moving lines in both hands.

1. The gifts we have pre - sent - ed move toward God.
2. We wait, and bread is placed with - in our hand.
3. And as we are at - ten - tive in this time,

Our small and ev - er hope - ful off - er - ings
We note the taste of wine up - on the tongue
we find the meal we take, the One we bless

are and is gath-ered, blessed, and lift-ed up as we
mar-vel, that in meet-ing ho-ly things,
bless-ing and is al-so tak-ing us

con-sid-er and en-coun-ter ho-ly things.
we some-how meet and know a ho-ly One.
and mak-ing of us gifts of ho-li-ness.

Gospel Reading

John 6:51-58

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.

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

Jesus said, "I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" So Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Savior.

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

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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.**

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,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who 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: The Spirit of God aids us in our weakness and teaches us to pray. In the power of the Spirit let us offer prayers to God for the needs, concerns, and hopes of all the world. For peace from on high and for our salvation.

Lord, hear us.

People: **Lord, graciously hear us.**

Leader: For the peace of the whole world, for the welfare of the holy churches of God, and for the unity of all.

Lord, hear us.

People: **Lord, graciously hear us.**

Leader: For Michael our Presiding Bishop, Lucinda our bishop, Karen our rector, and all who minister in Christ, and for all the holy people of God. In the diocesan cycle of prayer we pray for St. Mary's by-the-Sea of Pacific Grove.

People: **Lord, graciously hear us.**

Leader: For the world and its leaders, for our president, Joseph Biden, our nation and its people.

Lord, hear us.

People: **Lord, graciously hear us.**

Leader: For the sick and suffering among us, for all who are traveling, and for those we now name in our hearts or aloud; that they may be comforted and strengthened by God's life-giving Spirit.

Lord, hear us.

People: **Lord, graciously hear us.**

Leader: For those who rest in the peace of Christ, and those we now name in our hearts or aloud.

Lord, hear us.

People: **Lord, graciously hear us.**

Celebrant: Creator God, you call us to love and serve you with body, mind, and spirit through loving your creation and our sisters and brothers. Open our hearts in compassion and receive these petitions on behalf of the needs of the church and the world.

People: **Amen.**

Confession of Sin

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins to God and our neighbor.

(There will be a moment of silence)

People: **God of all mercy,
we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.
We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done,
and the evil done on our behalf.
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us
through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love
and serve only your will. Amen.**

Absolution

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of 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:

When in our Music God is Glorified

F. Pratt Green (1903-2000)

H #420

ENGELBERG
Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)



1. When in our mu - sic God is glo - ri - fied, and a - dor - a - tion leaves no
2. How of - ten mak - ing mu - sic, we have found, a new di - men - sion in the
5. Let ev - ery in - stru - ment be tuned for praise! Let all re - joice who have a



room for pride, it is as though the whole cre - a - tion cried Al - le - lu - ia!
world of sound, as wor - ship moved us to a more pro found Al - le - lu - ia!
voice to raise! And may God give us faith to sing al ways Al - le - lu - ia!

Doxology (Old 100th)

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. 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

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant.
From before time you made ready the creation.
Your Spirit moved over the deep
and brought all things into being:
sun, moon, and stars;
earth, winds, and waters;
and every living thing.

You made us in your image,
and taught us to walk in your ways.
But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away;
and yet, as a mother cares for her children,
you would not forget us.
Time and again you called us
to live in the fullness of your love.
And so this day we join with Saints and Angels
in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity,
lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord *Sanctus*

S130

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

The musical score is written for a two-part setting, likely for Soprano and Alto voices. It consists of six systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The key signature is B-flat major (two flats) and the time signature is 3/4. The lyrics are in English and Latin. The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line and chords that support the vocal melody. The lyrics are: '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.'

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

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God.
To deliver us from the power of sin and death
and to reveal the riches of your grace,
you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant,
that she might conceive and bear a son,
Jesus the holy child of God.

Living among us, Jesus loved us.
He broke bread with outcasts and sinners,
healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor.

He yearned to draw all the world to himself
yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love.
Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross
the sacrifice of his life,
and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us,
Jesus was at table with his friends.
He took bread, gave thanks to you,
broke it, and gave it to them, and said:
“Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.”
As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine.
Again, he gave thanks to you,
gave it to them, and said:
“Drink this, all of you:

This is my Blood of the new Covenant,
which is poured out for you and for all
for the forgiveness of sins.
Whenever you drink it,
do this for the remembrance of me.”

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation,
and remembering Christ, crucified and risen,
who was and is and is to come,
we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine,
and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts
that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ.
Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth
and make us your new creation,
the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us,
with St John and St Stephen and all your saints,
from every tribe and language and people and nation,
to feast at the banquet prepared
from the foundation of the world.

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.**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

People and Celebrant

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

**Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.**

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:

I Am the Bread of Life

H#335 (Renew! #246)

Words & Music
by S. Suzanne Toolan

1. I am the bread of life; they who come to me shall not hun-ger; they who be-
2. "The bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world, and if you
3. "Un - less you eat of the bread of the Son of Man and
4. I am the re - sur - rec - tion, I am the life. If you be-
lieve in me shall not thirst. No one can come to me un - less the Fa-ther
eat of this bread, you shall live for - ev - er, you shall live for -
drink of his blood, and drink of his blood, you shall not have life with-
lieve in me, e - ven though you die, you shall live for -
draw them. And I will raise them up, and I will raise them up, and I will
ev - er."
in you."
ev - er."
raise them up on the last day.

Post Communion Prayer

Please stand

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

**Compassionate and loving God,
through your Son Jesus Christ you have fed us,
and reconciled your people to yourself.
May we who have shared in this holy meal
know your forgiveness in our lives,
bring your reconciliation to others,
and be a sign of your wholeness in this broken world.
Following Christ's example of fasting and prayer,
may we obey you with willing hearts
and serve one another in holy love. Amen**

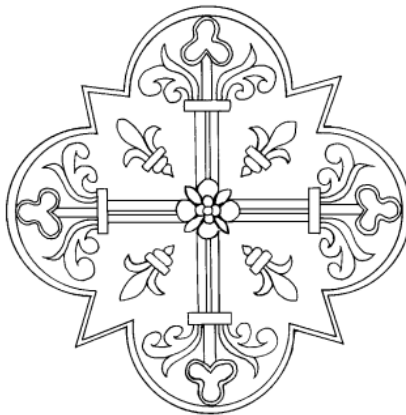
The Blessing

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:

Light of Ages and of Nations

Singing the Living Tradition #189

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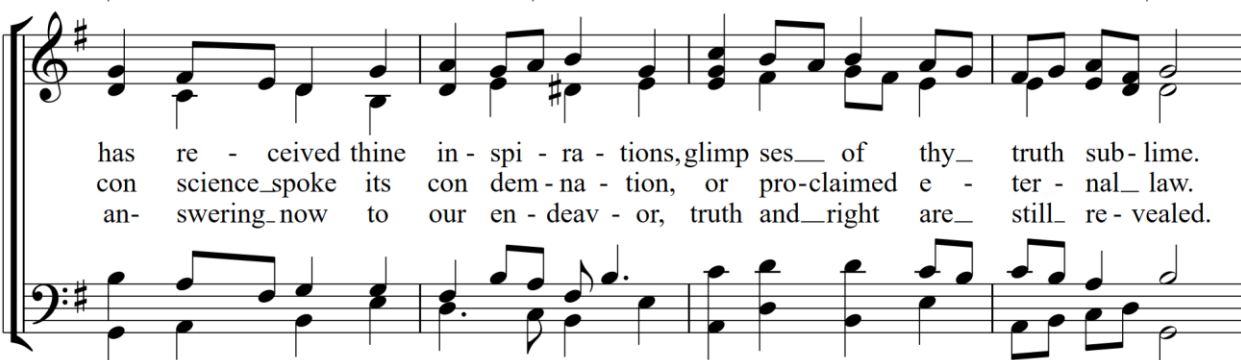
from *Oude en Nieuwe Hollantse*

Samuel Longfellow (1819-1892)

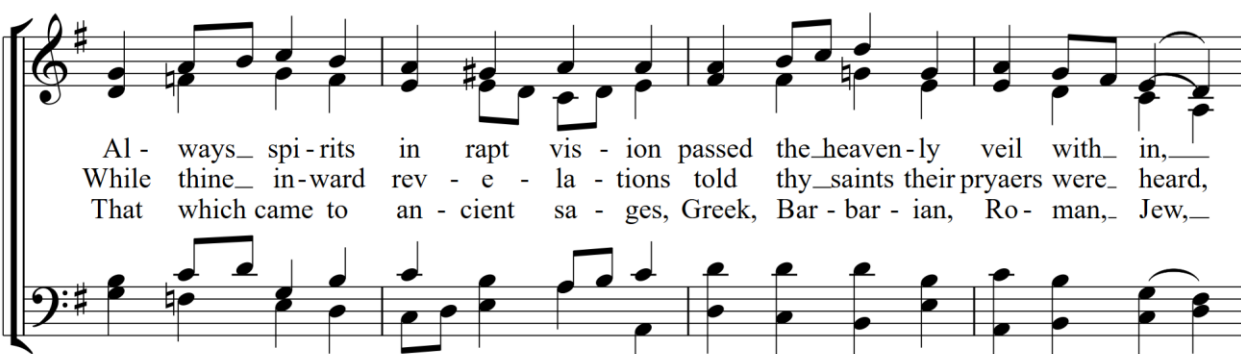
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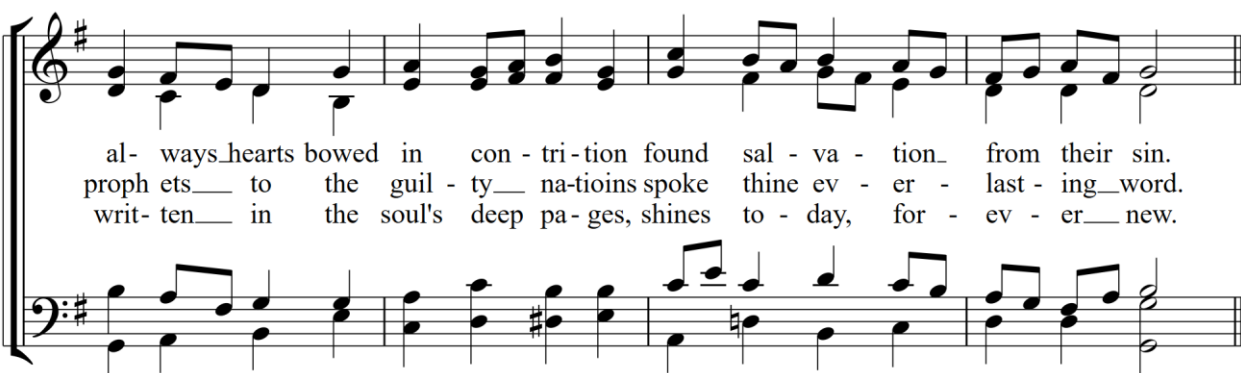
1. Light of a - ges and of na - tions, ev - ery race and ev - ery time
2. Rea - son's no - ble as - pi - ra - tion truth in grow - ing clear - ness saw;
3. Lo, that word a - bi - deth ev - er; rev - e - la - tion is not sealed;



has re - ceived thine in - spi - ra - tions, glimp ses of thy truth sub - lime.
con science spoke its con dem - na - tion, or pro - claimed e - ter - nal law.
an - swering now to our en - deav - or, truth and right are still re - vealed.



Al - ways spi - rits in rapt vis - ion passed the heaven - ly veil with in,
While thine in - ward rev - e - la - tions told thy saints their pryaers were heard,
That which came to an - cient sa - ges, Greek, Bar - bar - ian, Ro - man, Jew,

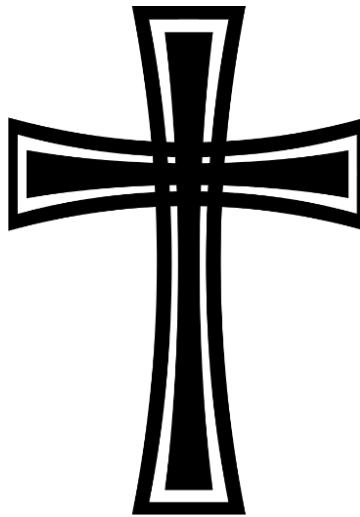


al - ways hearts bowed in con - tri - tion found sal - va - tion from their sin.
proph ets to the guil - ty na - tioins spoke thine ev - er - last - ing word.
writ - ten in the soul's deep pa - ges, shines to - day, for - ev - er new.

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:

Caroline Drayton, Tammy Church, Carl Kiepen, Jerry Parish, Dennis Kelly

Anniversaries last week and this week:

Asha & Justin Zahrt

Parish announcements:

- Worship next Sunday, August 22nd, will be indoors at St. Stephen's and live streamed at 10:00am. The link will be sent out in the Friday newsletter and posted on our website.
- 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.

Reminder: *Next week's service is at 10:00am at St. Stephen's indoors. (There is plenty of room for parishioners from both churches to attend the in-person services.)*

All are welcome!