



**The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 28, 2025**

WELCOME!

You are invited to be a part of this community whether you're arriving for the first time or returning. This bulletin is intended to encourage and enable your enthusiastic participation.

The staffed Nursery is available for little ones during and following the 9:30 service.

St. David's Welcomes You

St. David's Episcopal Church is committed to following Jesus' example of practicing radical hospitality, seeking to find God in all people because they are of sacred worth. We welcome all persons, regardless of gender, race, ethnicity, age, physical or mental capacity, education, sexual orientation, gender identity, socioeconomic or marital status. All are invited as full participants in the life and ministries of our community of faith.

St. David's Mission Statement

We at St. David's Episcopal Church are devoted to loving and serving God, one another and the world. Honoring the dignity and freedom of all to seek God at their own pace, we connect our life stories with the teachings of Jesus. Inspired by the Holy Spirit, we believe our actions transform the world and ourselves.

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THE HOLY EUCHARIST

We Gather in God's Name

Prelude

Opening Hymn

O Day of Radiant Gladness

Hymnal #48

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant
People

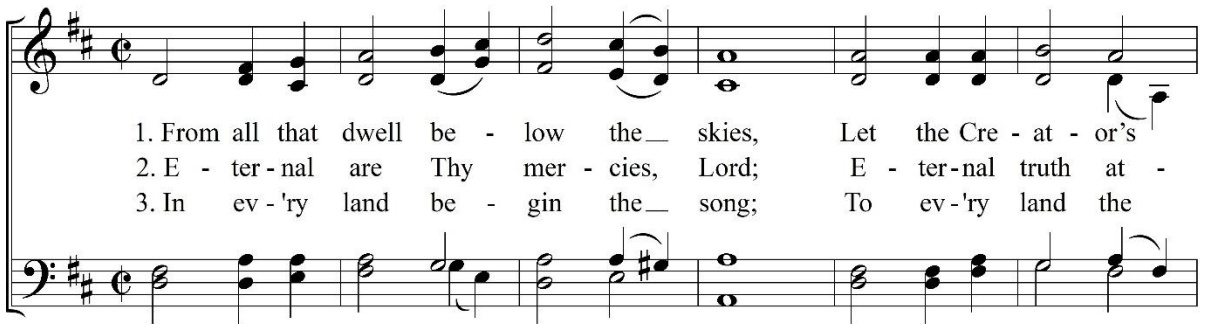
Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.
Glory to God for ever and ever. Amen.

Collect for Purity

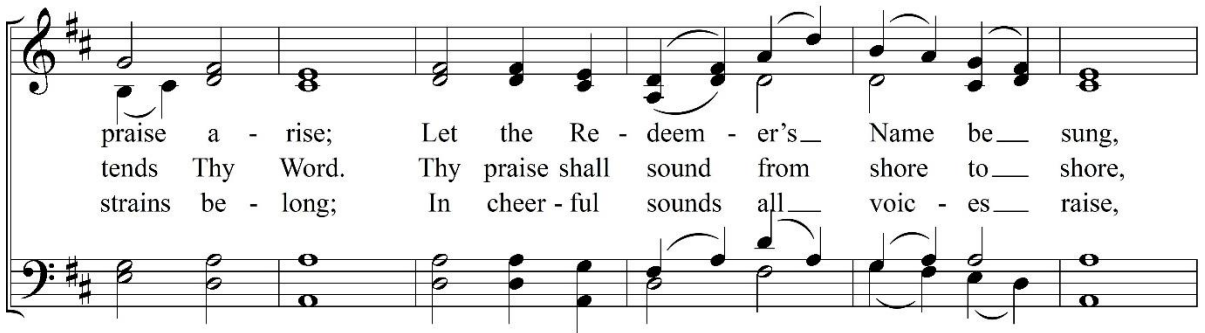
Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Song of Praise

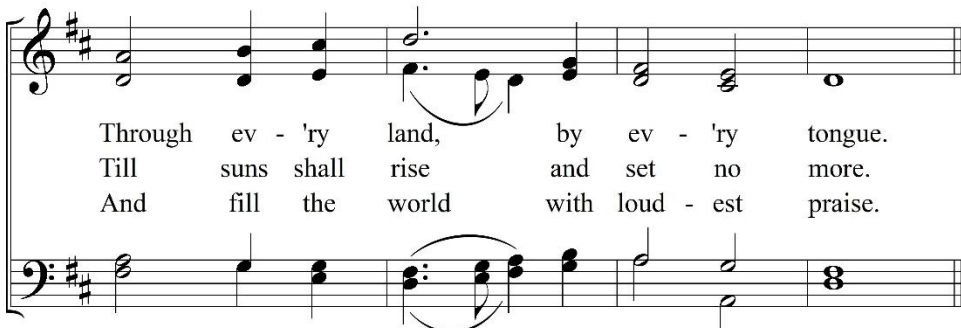
Children ages 7-11 are invited to process out for The Peace Table, returning at the time of communion distribution.



1. From all that dwell be - low the__ skies, Let the Cre - at - or's
2. E - ter - nal are Thy mer - cies, Lord; E - ter - nal truth at -
3. In ev - 'ry land be - gin the__ song; To ev - 'ry land the



praise a - rise; Let the Re - deem - er's__ Name be__ sung,
tends Thy Word. Thy praise shall sound from shore to__ shore,
strains be - long; In cheer - ful sounds all__ voic - es__ raise,



Through ev - 'ry land, by ev - 'ry tongue.
Till suns shall rise and set no more.
And fill the world with loud - est praise.

Text: verses 1-2, Isaac Watts, verse 3 anon. Music: DUKE STREET, John Harron

Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.. **Amen.**

We Hear and Respond to God's Word

Reading

Amos 6:1a,4-7

Alas for those who are at ease in Zion,
and for those who feel secure on Mount Samaria.

Alas for those who lie on beds of ivory,
and lounge on their couches,

and eat lambs from the flock,
and calves from the stall;

who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp,
and like David improvise on instruments of music;

who drink wine from bowls,
and anoint themselves with the finest oils,
but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph!

Therefore they shall now be the first to go into exile,
and the revelry of the loungers shall pass away.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 146

1 Alleluia! Praise God, O my soul! *

I will praise God as long as I live;

I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

2 Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any child of earth, *

for there is no help in them.

- 3 When they breathe their last, they return to earth, *
and in that day their thoughts perish.
- 4 Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help, *
whose hope is in their God;
- 5 Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them; *
whose promise abides for ever;
- 6 Who gives justice to those who are oppressed *
and food to those who hunger.
- 7 God sets the prisoners free
and opens the eyes of the blind; *
God lifts up those who are bowed down;
- 8 God loves the righteous
and cares for the stranger; *
**God sustains the orphan and widow,
but frustrates the way of the wicked.**
- 9 God shall reign for ever, *
your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Alleluia!

Second Reading

1 Timothy 6:6-19

There is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he will bring about at the right time-- he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. It is he alone who has

immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.

As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Hymn

The Last Shall Be First

Please stand as you are able for the Gospel Hymn and reading of the Gospel.



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The Gospel

Luke 16:19-31

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

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

Jesus said, "There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.' But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can

cross from there to us.' He said, 'Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house-- for I have five brothers-- that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.' Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.' He said, 'No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.'"

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

The Rev. Leonard Freeman

The Nicene Creed

Please stand as you are able.

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.

The Prayers of the People

The Leader and People pray responsively.

Deacon Gathered as believers in Christ, made one body through baptism, let us offer prayers to God for the living hope of all the world.

We pray for Sean, our presiding bishop, for Craig, our bishop, for Katherine, Guy, Len, Lindsay, our clergy, for Cambria, postulant for the priesthood, Huldah, postulant for the diaconate, and for all lay leaders.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

We pray for our all those impacted by systemic inequality, for the courage, grace and strength to participate in works of justice. For God's peace made manifest in our unity in Christ.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

We pray for the leaders of the nations and all in authority. For justice and freedom for all the peoples of the earth.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

We pray for strength in the face of the challenges and fears that the news of each day brings. For the hope of our faith, that our small acts might be leaven for transformation through the power of the Spirit.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

We pray for this congregation, for our city and those who live in it, and for our families, companions, and all those we love.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

We pray for the hungry and the oppressed, and for those in prison, for the sick and the suffering, especially...

Please offer your own prayers, silently or aloud.

Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

We pray for those who have died due to war, poverty, and gun violence, for all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all who grieve. We pray especially for ...

Please offer your own prayers, silently or aloud.

Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

Celebrant Blessed are you, O Lord our God, who gives us eternal peace through Jesus Christ. Hear our prayers which we offer in the hope of glory, and breathe upon us with your Holy Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen .

Confession

Deacon Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence
You are invited to be seated, to kneel or to remain standing.

All **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.

People

The Peace

Celebrant

People

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

We Share in Holy Communion

Please stand, as you are able, while the offerings of bread and wine are presented. You may be seated until the singing of the Doxology, when we ask that you stand once more.

Offertory

Blessed Are You



1. Bles-sed are you, the poor ones;— God calls the last— and least.
2. Ru - in a - waits the weal-thy,— who live to serve their greed.
3. Bles-sed are you, the poor ones,— for God is poor with you.



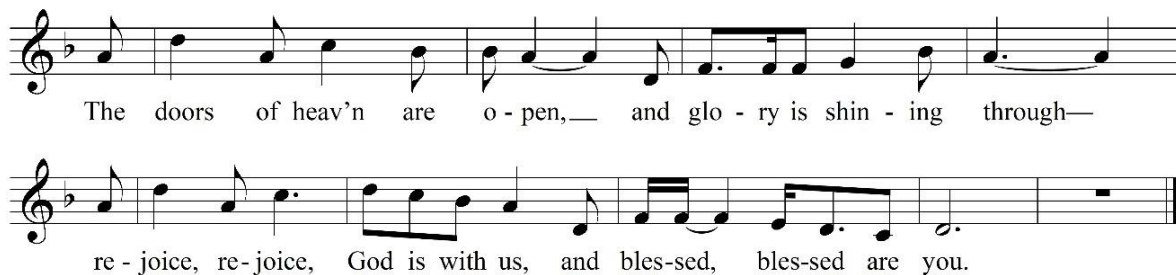
Bles-sed are you, the hun - gry,— for God pre - pares your feast.
Ru - in a - waits the glut - tons,— who take more than they need.
Bles-sed are you, the hun - gry,— for God knows hun - ger, too.



Bles-sed are you who weep now,— for mourn - ing turns to praise.
Ru - in a - waits the laugh-ers,— and tears will fill— their eyes.
Bles-sed are you who weep now,— for God has shared your grief.



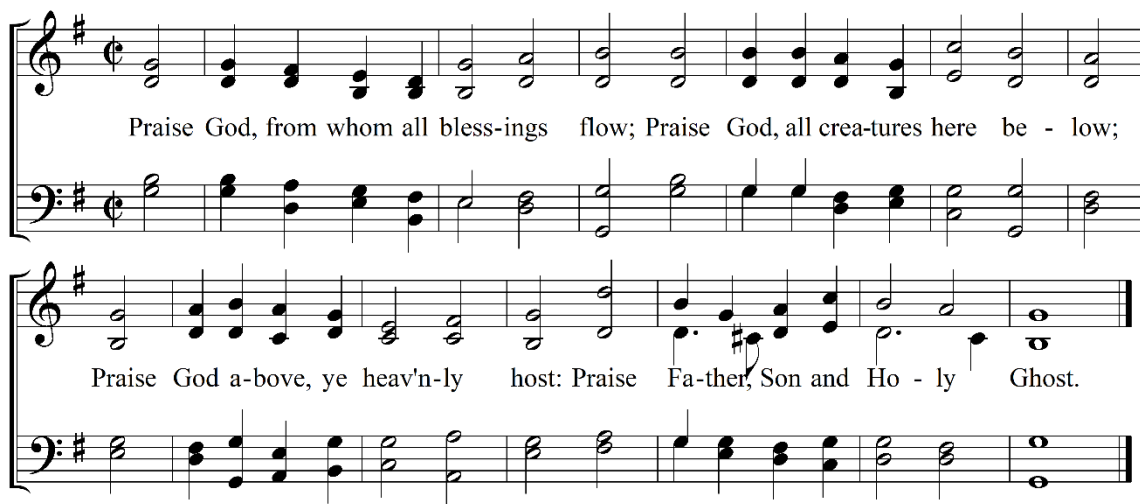
Bles-sed are you who suf - fer,— for God will guard your ways.—
Ru - in a - waits the haugh-ty,— who mock their neigh - bors' cries.—
Bles-sed are you who suf - fer,— for God will bring re - lief.—



The doors of heav'n are o - pen, — and glo - ry is shin - ing through —
re - joice, re-joyce, God is with us, and bles-sed, bles-sed are you.

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Doxology



Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; Praise God, all crea-tures here be - low;
Praise God a-bove, ye heav'n-ly host: Praise Fa-ther, Son and Ho - ly Ghost.

The Great Thanksgiving

Remain standing as you are able.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,___

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r 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.

Bles - sed is he who comes___ in the name of the Lord,___

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

from Deutsche Messe, Franz Schubert, arr. Richard Proulx

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 David 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.**

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

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

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, re-deem-er of the
world: give us your peace, give us your peace.

The musical notation is in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a time signature of 6/8. It consists of three staves of music. The first staff contains the lyrics 'Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us. Je - sus, bear - er'. The second staff contains 'of our sins: have mer - cy on us. Je - sus, re-deem-er, re-deem-er of the'. The third staff contains 'world: give us your peace, give us your peace.' The music features a mix of eighth and quarter notes, with some measures containing rests.

from Deutsche Messe, Franz Schubert, arr. Richard Proulx

The Communion

Everyone, without exception and regardless of age or faith tradition, is invited to share in Holy Communion at the Lord's table. If you wish, please come forward to receive the bread and wine. If you are unable to come forward, please let an usher know and communion will be brought to you.

On the first Sunday of each month, we offer wheat bread, with gluten-free wafers available. On the other Sundays, the communion bread offered to all is gluten-free.

The wine is shared from a common cup; feel free to receive only the bread if you prefer. (For health reasons, we ask that you do not dip the bread in the wine.) If you would like to receive a blessing instead of communion, you can indicate this desire by crossing your arms over your chest.

Communion Hymns Latin American Bread Prayer

To all those with bread give hun - ger for jus - tice,
and to all those who hun - ger give bread.

The musical notation is in treble clef with a key signature of three flats (Bb, Eb, Ab) and a time signature of 4/4. It consists of two staves of music. The first staff contains the lyrics 'To all those with bread give hun - ger for jus - tice,'. The second staff contains 'and to all those who hun - ger give bread.' The music features a mix of quarter and eighth notes, with some measures containing rests.

Andrew K. Barnett, Theodicy Jazz Collective

To the Poor a Lasting Treasure



1. To the poor a last - ing treas - ure, to the
2. To the heart that walks in sor - row, to the
3. We shall sing a song of glad - ness to the
4. We shall wel - come all as pil - grims, none will



frail a guid - ing hand; There is wealth be - yond all
heart that s sick with grief, To the heart that fears to -
God who, from our birth, Has em-braced our joys and
leave our homes un - blest. We will gath - er all God's



meas - ure pour - ing forth at God's com - mand. To the
mor - row there is com - fort and re - lease. For the
sad - ness, giv - en dig - ni - ty and worth. We, as
chil - dren, giv - ing life and love and rest. Then, with



out - cast and re - ject - ed a love that knows no
heart of Christ, once bro - ken and hung up - on a
pil - grims bound to - geth - er, claim Christ as light and
grate - ful voic - es rais - ing, be - fore our God we'll



end, To the ones who least ex - pect it a
tree, Is the heart of love that's spo - ken to
guide. In a bond that none may sev - er we
stand, As we all will go re - joic - ing in -



Sav - ior comes as friend.
all who search for peace.
know the cru - ci - fied.
to the prom - ised land.

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Sending Forth of Lay Eucharistic Visitors

On those days when the parish sends out Lay Eucharistic Visitors to those who cannot attend the liturgy, the Bread is presented to the Visitors at the altar, using this form.

Deacon In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

People **We who are many are one body, because we share the one bread and the one cup.**

Prayer after Communion

All **God of abundance,
you have fed us
with the bread of life and cup of salvation;
you have united us
with Christ and one another;
and you have made us one
with all your people in heaven and on earth.
Now send us forth
in the power of your Spirit,
that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world
and continue for ever
in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**


We Go into the World in God's Name

Announcements


The Blessing

Departing

Canticle of the Turning



1. My _____ soul cries out with a joy - ful shout that the
2. Though _____ I am small, my _____ God, my all, you _____
3. From the halls of pow'r to the fort - ress tow'r, not a
4. Though the na - tions rage from _____ age to age, we re -



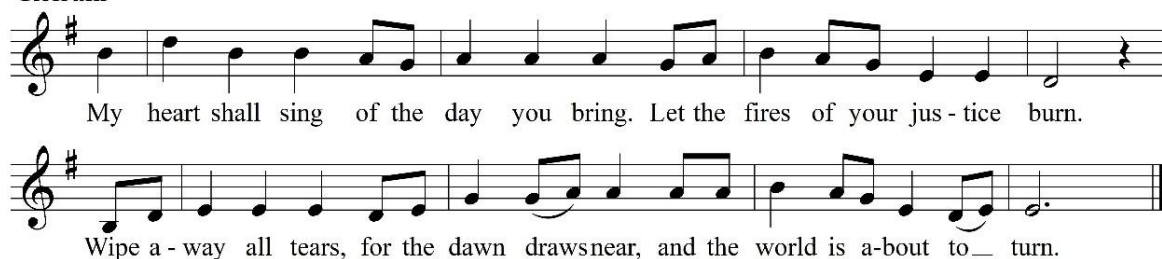
God of my heart is great, And my spir-it_sings of the won-drous things
work great things in me, And your mer-cy will last from the depths of the past
stone will be left on stone. Let the king be-ware for your jus-tice tears
mem-ber who holds us fast: God's_mer-cy must de-liv-er_us

that you bring to the ones who wait. You fixed your sight on your
to the end of the age to be. Your ve-ry name puts the
ev-'ry ty-rant__ from his throne. The hun-gry poor shall__
from the con-quer-or's crush-ing grasp. This sav-ing word that our

ser-vant's plight, and my weak-ness you did not spurn, So from
proud to shame, and to those who would for you yearn, You will
weep no more, for the food they can nev-er earn; There are
fore-bears heard is the pro-mise which holds us bound, 'Til the

east to west shall my name be__ blest. Could the world be a-bout to turn?
show your might, put the strong to__ flight, for the world is a-bout to turn.
ta-bles spread, ev-'ry mouth be__ fed, for the world is a-bout to turn.
spear and rod can be crushed by God, who is turn-ing the world a-round.

Refrain



My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the fires of your jus-tice burn.

Wipe a-way all tears, for the dawn draws near, and the world is a-bout to__ turn.

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Dismissal

Deacon

People

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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or check out the weekly email for announcements!



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