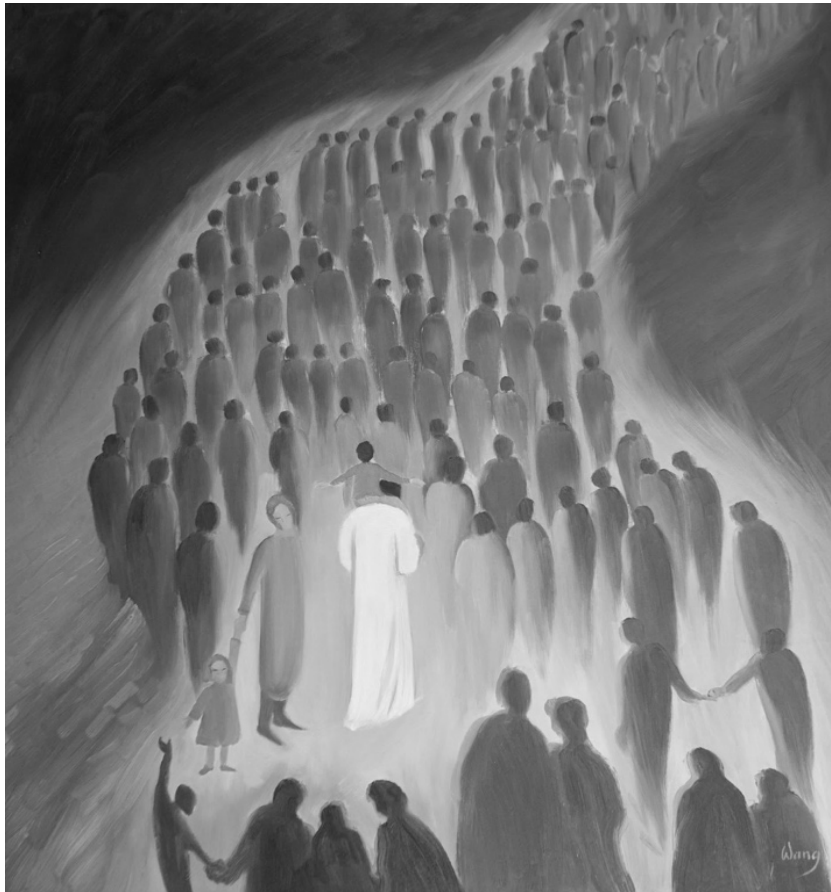


Trinity Episcopal Cathedral

Sunday, May 11, 2025

*An Open & Affirming Community
Committed To
Grow Spiritually &
Do Christ's work!*



The Holy Eucharist Fourth Sunday of Easter 10:00AM

PRELUDE “Sheep May Safely Graze” BWV 208 *J.S. Bach (1685-1750)*

Welcome and Announcements

(All stand in body or spirit)

HYMN IN PROCESSION “Praise the Lord, rise up rejoicing” H-334

Alles ist an Gottes Segen

1 Praise the Lord, rise up re - joic - ing, wor - ship, thanks, de -
 2 Scat - tered flock, one shep - herd shar - ing, lost and lone - ly,
 3 Sins for - giv - en, wrongs for - giv - ing, we go forth a -

vo - tion voic - ing; glo - ry be to God on high!
 one voice hear - ing, ears at - ten - tive to your word;
 lert and liv - ing in your Spi - rit, strong and free.

Christ, your cross and pas - sion shar - ing, by this Eu - cha -
 by your Blood new life re - ceiv - ing, in your Bo - dy,
 Part - ners in your new cre - a - tion, seek - ing peace in

rist de - clar - ing yours the fi - nal vic - to - ry.
 firm be - liev - ing, we are yours, and you the Lord.
 ev - ery na - tion, may we faith - ful fol - lowers be.

Celebrant
People

Alleluia. Christ is risen.
The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

The Word of God

COLLECT FOR PURITY

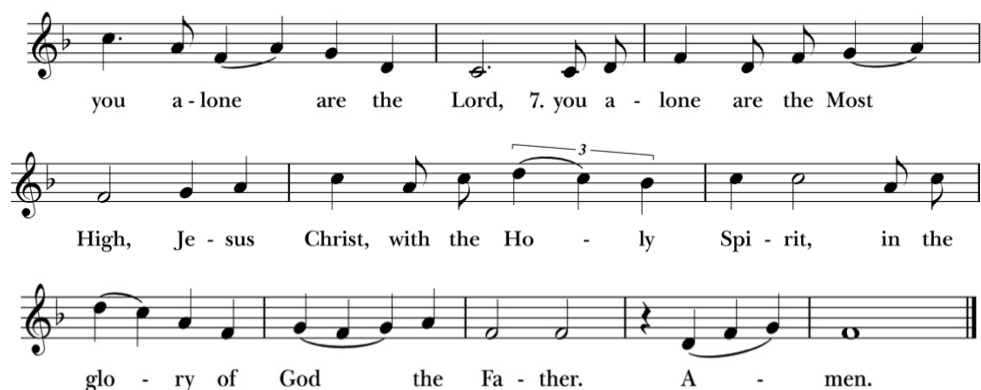
Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE GREATEST COMMANDMENT

Hear what Jesus Christ says: The first commandment is this; ‘Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these.

HYMN OF PRAISE “Glory to God” S-280 *Powell*

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - mighty 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,



THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

The Lessons

CHRISTIAN SCRIPTURES

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles [9:36-43]

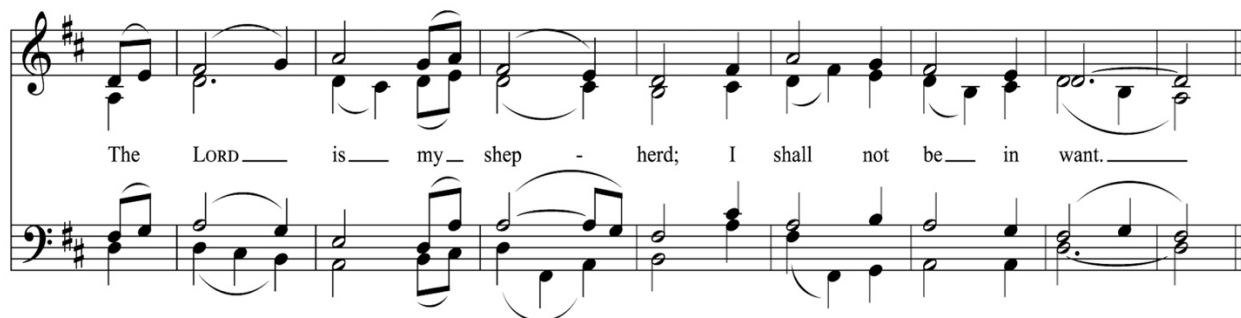
Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

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

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 23

The congregation is invited to sing the Antiphon; verses sung by the Choir.



- 1 The LORD is my shepherd; *
I shall not be in want.
- 2 He makes me lie down in green pastures *
and leads me beside still waters. [ANT.]
- 3 He revives my soul *
and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.
- 4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I shall fear no evil; *
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff, they comfort me. [ANT.]
- 5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those
who trouble me; *
you have anointed my head with oil,
and my cup is running over.
- 6 Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days
of my life, *
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever. [ANT.]

SECOND READING

A Reading from the Revelation of John [7:9-17]

I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

“Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!”

And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing,
 “Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen.”

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

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

People Thanks be to God.

(All stand in body or spirit)

SEQUENCE HYMN "Who are these like stars appearing" H-286

Zeuch mich, zeuch mich

1 Who are these like stars ap - pear - ing, these, be - fore God's
 2 Who are these of daz - zling bright-ness, these in God's own
 3 These are they who have con - tend - ed for their Sa - vior's
 4 These are they whose hearts were riv - en, sore with woe and
 5 These, like priests, have watched and wait - ed, of - fering up to

1 throne who stand? Each a gold - en crown is wear - ing;
 2 truth ar - rayed, clad in robes of pur - est white - ness,
 3 hon - or long, wres - tling on till life was end - ed,
 4 an - guish tried, who in prayer full oft have striv - en
 5 Christ their will, soul and bo - dy con - se - crat - ed,

1 who are all this glo - rious band? Al - le - lu - ia!
 2 robes whose lus - ter ne'er shall fade, ne'er be touched by
 3 fol - lowing not the sin - ful throng; these, who well the
 4 with the God they glo - ri - fied; now, their pain - ful
 5 day and night they serve him still. Now in God's most

1 hark, they sing, prais - ing loud their heaven - ly King.
 2 time's rude hand? Whence comes all this glo - rious band?
 3 fight sus - tained, tri - umph by the Lamb have gained.
 4 con - flict o'er, God has bid them weep no more.
 5 ho - ly place, blest they stand be - fore his face.

The Gospel

Celebrant The Good News of Jesus Christ according to John [10:22-30]
People **Glory to you, O Christ.**

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one."

Priest The Gospel of Jesus Christ.
People **Praise to you, O Christ.**

THE SERMON

The Rev. Christopher Potter

A 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.**

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Priest Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb! The Good Shepherd is faithful and true; Therefore, let us pray with confidence that God keeps us and leads us.

Intercessor Good Shepherd, you know your sheep. Give us ears to hear you call our names and the strength to follow where you lead. Shepherd, keep us.

People ***Jesus, lead us.***

Intercessor For those killed, injured, or traumatized because of human violence. We pray, O God, wipe away every tear from their eyes. We pray for an end to all violence. We pray for peace. Shepherd, keep us.

People ***Jesus, lead us.***

Intercessor Creator God, by the victory of your son, turn the valleys of death into green pastures where living waters flow. Bless and renew your creation. (*The congregation may add prayers of Thanksgiving allowed or in silence.*) Shepherd, keep us.

People ***Jesus, lead us.***

Intercessor O God, we pray for those who work for justice and peace in our community. Flood this city with goodness and mercy. Extinguish from our region the fear of evil. Shepherd, keep us.

People ***Jesus, lead us.***

Intercessor Mighty God, we look for the day when hunger is no more, and thirst is no more. We look for the day when the souls of the downcast are revived, and the displaced find a home in your shelter. In this Easter season, we pray in faith for all those calling out to us in need. Shepherd, keep us.

People ***Jesus, lead us.***

Intercessor Good Shepherd, your gift is eternal life. Those who belong to you never perish. Bring us and those who have died into your heavenly home where we may worship you forever and ever. (*The congregation may prayers for those who have died, either aloud or in silence.*) Shepherd, keep us.

People ***Jesus, lead us.***

Priest Blessed God, your Son laid down his life to take it up again. Hear the prayer we bring before you and make us more trusting in His leadership, as healers and comforters, who lives with you and the Holy Spirit, forever.

People ***Amen.***

(Please be seated)

BIRTHDAYS (please extend your hands in blessing)

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ANNIVERSARIES

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, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

In the early weeks of Easter Season, we rejoice in the forgiveness of the Resurrection and hence bypass the Confession of Sin.

THE PEACE (All stand in body or spirit)

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

(All present share Christ's peace with one another)

The Holy Communion

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Priest Through Christ let us continually offer to God the sacrifice of praise, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his Name. But do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.
Hebrews 13:15, 16

OFFERTORY ANTHEM **“The Lamb”** *Roland E. Martin (b. 1955)*
Cathedral Choir

(All stand in body or spirit)

THE DOXOLOGY

**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. Amen.**

Priest All things come from thee, O God.
People **And of thine own have we given thee.**

The Great Thanksgiving

Priest The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Priest Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them to the Lord.**
Priest 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.

But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By Christ's death he has destroyed death, and by Christ's rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

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:

Sanctus Holy, holy, holy S-129 Powell

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and
might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est._____

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 all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All **We praise you,
we bless you,
we give thanks to you,
and we pray to you, Lord our God.**

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

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.

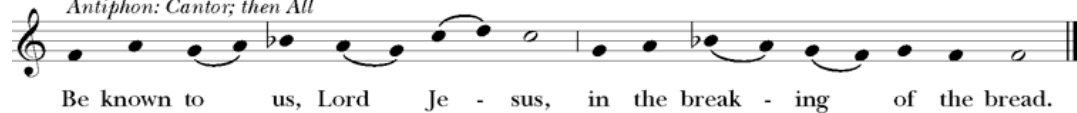
The Breaking of the Bread

(A period of silence is kept.)

FRACTION ANTHEM "Be known to us, Lord Jesus" S-171 Mode 6

This setting is not used in Lent.

Antiphon: Cantor; then All



INVITATION

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

As we move into this time of sharing communion, please know that we believe that Christ is truly present in the blessed bread and wine. This is Christ's table, and Christ welcomes all. At the time of communion, you are warmly invited to come forward to receive the blessed bread and wine, the body and blood of Christ. You can hold out your hands to receive the bread, and for the wine, you can drink from the cup or dip your piece of blessed bread into the bowl of sacred wine. If you would prefer not to receive communion, you are welcome to receive a blessing at the altar; please cross your arms upon your chest. If you feel drawn to receive communion and you are not yet baptized, you are invited to consider whether this may in fact be a call to baptism. You are encouraged to speak to the priest following the service.

Members of the International Order of St. Luke the Physician Healing Ministry offer prayers for healing while Holy Communion is being distributed. To receive personal Anointing and prayers, proceed to the Altar at the left front of the Nave.

COMMUNION HYMN “My faith looks up to thee” H-691 Olivet

1 My faith looks up to thee, thou Lamb of Cal - va - ry,
 2 May thy rich grace im - part strength to my faint - ing heart,
 3 While life's dark maze I tread, and griefs a - round me spread,

Sa - vior di - vine! Now hear me while I pray, take all my
 my zeal in - spire; as thou hast died for me, O may my
 be thou my guide; bid dark-ness turn to day; wipe sor - row's

guilt a - way; O let me from this day be whol - ly thine.
 love to thee pure, warm, and change-less be, a liv - ing fire.
 tears a - way, nor let me ev - er stray from thee a - side.

COMMUNION HYMN “Jerusalem, my happy home” H-620 *Land of Rest*

1 Je - ru - sa - lem, my hap - py home, when
 2 Thy saints are crowned with glo - ry great; they
 3 There Da - vid stands with harp in hand as
 4 Our La - dy sings Mag - ni - fi - cat with
 5 Je - ru - sa - lem, Je - ru - sa - lem, God

1 shall I come to thee? When shall my sor - rows
 2 see God face to face; they tri - umph still, they
 3 mas - ter of the choir: ten thou - sand times would
 4 tune sur - pass - ing sweet, and bless - ed mar - tyr's
 5 grant that I may see thine end - less joy, and

1 have an end? Thy joys when shall I see?
 2 still re - joice in that most hap - py place.
 3 one be blest who might this mu - sic hear.
 4 har - mo - ny doth ring in ev - ery street.
 5 of the same par - ta - ker ev - er be!

Commissioning Eucharistic Visitors

Celebrant In the name of God and on behalf 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 all share one bread, one cup. May hearts be kindled, bodies restored and hope enlivened. Our prayers go with you.

POST- COMMUNION PRAYER

(Standing or kneeling, we pray...)

Celebrant Let us pray.

People and Celebrant

**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

Priest The All-loving God is your shepherd.
May God lead you to green pastures and still waters
And set the table of abundance before you.
Bring what you have to share and banish any fear.
And may the goodness and mercy of God, Creator, Redeemer, and
Sustainer follow you all the days of your life.
Amen.

(All stand in body or spirit)

POST-COMMUNION HYMN "Savior, like a shepherd, lead us" H-708

Sicilian Mariners

1 Sa - vior, like a shep - herd lead us; much we need thy
2 Ear - ly let us seek thy fa - vor, ear - ly let us

ten - der care; in thy plea - sant pas - tures feed us;
learn thy will; do thou, Lord, our on - ly Sa - vior,

for our use thy folds pre - pare. Bless - ed Je - sus!
with thy love our bos - oms fill. Bless - ed Je - sus!

Bless - ed Je - sus! Thou hast bought us, thine we are.
Bless - ed Je - sus! Thou hast loved us: love us still.

THE DISMISSAL

Priest Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

POSTLUDE “Fugue in G-Major” *BWV 577 J.S. Bach*

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