ST. PETER'S
MOUNTAIN LAKES



The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost
October 11, 2026
10:15am

Welcome to St. Peter's

The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God by,
Janet Wilson, In Loving Memory of Her Parents,
Bernice J. and Fred Wilson

Ministers of the Service

	Today's Servers
Presider & Preacher:	The Reverend Michael Muller
Deacon:	The Reverend Nancy Hansen
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Verger:	Tim O'Donnell
Organist/Music Director:	Sal Lagattuta
Cantor:	Lenny Gutierrez
Crucifer:	Colson Russo
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Ushers:	Kevin Edwards & Frank Perrone
Lay Readers:	Mary Del Ojo & Lauren DeMatteo
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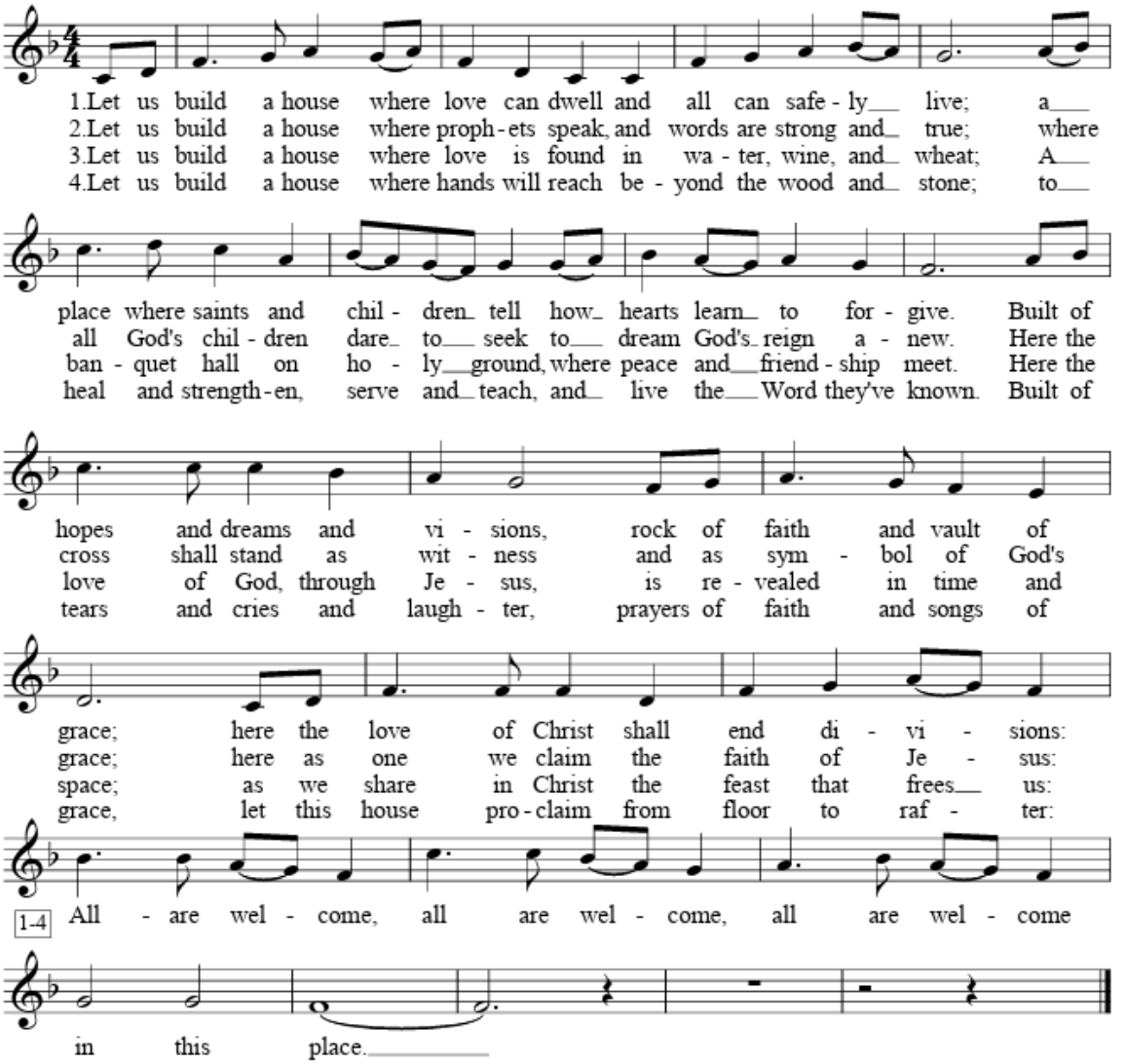
Holy Eucharist: Rite II
The Word of God

Prelude: "My Shepherd Will Supply My Need" ~ arr. M Hayes

(Please stand)

Processional Hymn: "All Are Welcome"



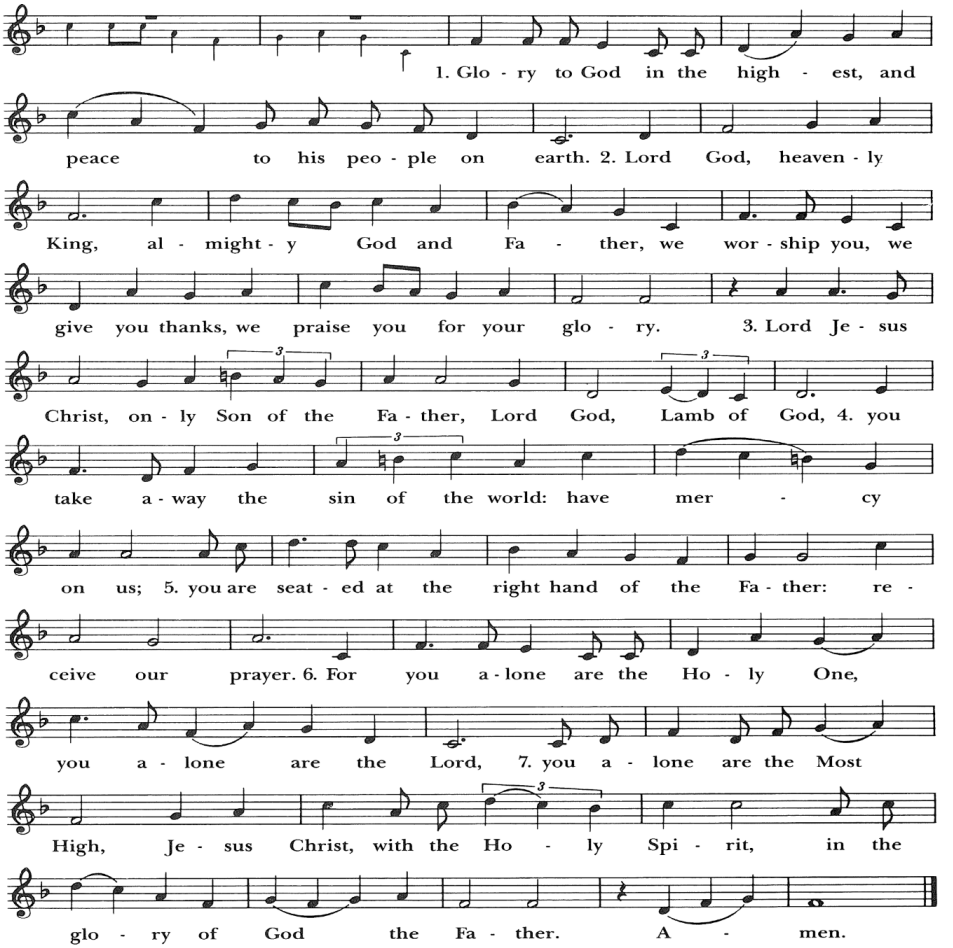
Opening Acclamation Book of Common Prayer, page 355

Presider: Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
People: And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Collect for Purity

Presider: 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 in Excelsis Hymnal S 280



The Collect of the Day

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

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

First Reading: **Isaiah 25:1-9**

A reading from the Prophet Isaiah.

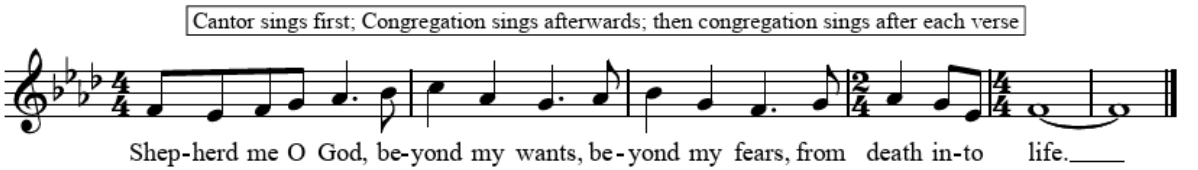
O LORD, you are my God;
I will exalt you, I will praise your name;
for you have done wonderful things,
plans formed of old, faithful and sure.
For you have made the city a heap,
the fortified city a ruin;
the palace of aliens is a city no more,
it will never be rebuilt.
Therefore strong peoples will glorify you;
cities of ruthless nations will fear you.
For you have been a refuge to the poor,
a refuge to the needy in their distress,
a shelter from the rainstorm and a shade from the heat.
When the blast of the ruthless was like a winter rainstorm,
the noise of aliens like heat in a dry place,
you subdued the heat with the shade of clouds;
the song of the ruthless was stilled.
On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples
a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines,
of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear.
And he will destroy on this mountain
the shroud that is cast over all peoples,
the sheet that is spread over all nations;
he will swallow up death forever.

Then the Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from all faces,
and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth,
for the LORD has spoken.

It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us.
This is the LORD for whom we have waited;
let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

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

Responsorial Psalm 23: Lenny Gutierrez ~ Cantor



1 God is my shepherd, so nothing shall I want,
I rest in the meadows of faithfulness and love,
I walk by the quiet waters of peace. [Refrain]

2 Gently you raise me and heal my weary soul,
You lead me by the pathways of the righteousness and truth,
My spirit shall sing the music of you name. [Refrain]

3 Though I should wander the valley of death,
I fear no evil, for you are at my side,
Your rod and your staff, my comfort and my hope. [Refrain]

4 You have set me a banquet of love in the face of hatred,
Crowning me with love beyond my power to hold. [Refrain]

5 Surely your kindness and mercy follow me all the days of my life;
I will dwell in the house of my God forevermore. [Refrain]

Second Reading: Philippians 4:1-9

A reading from Paul's letter to the Philippians.

My brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

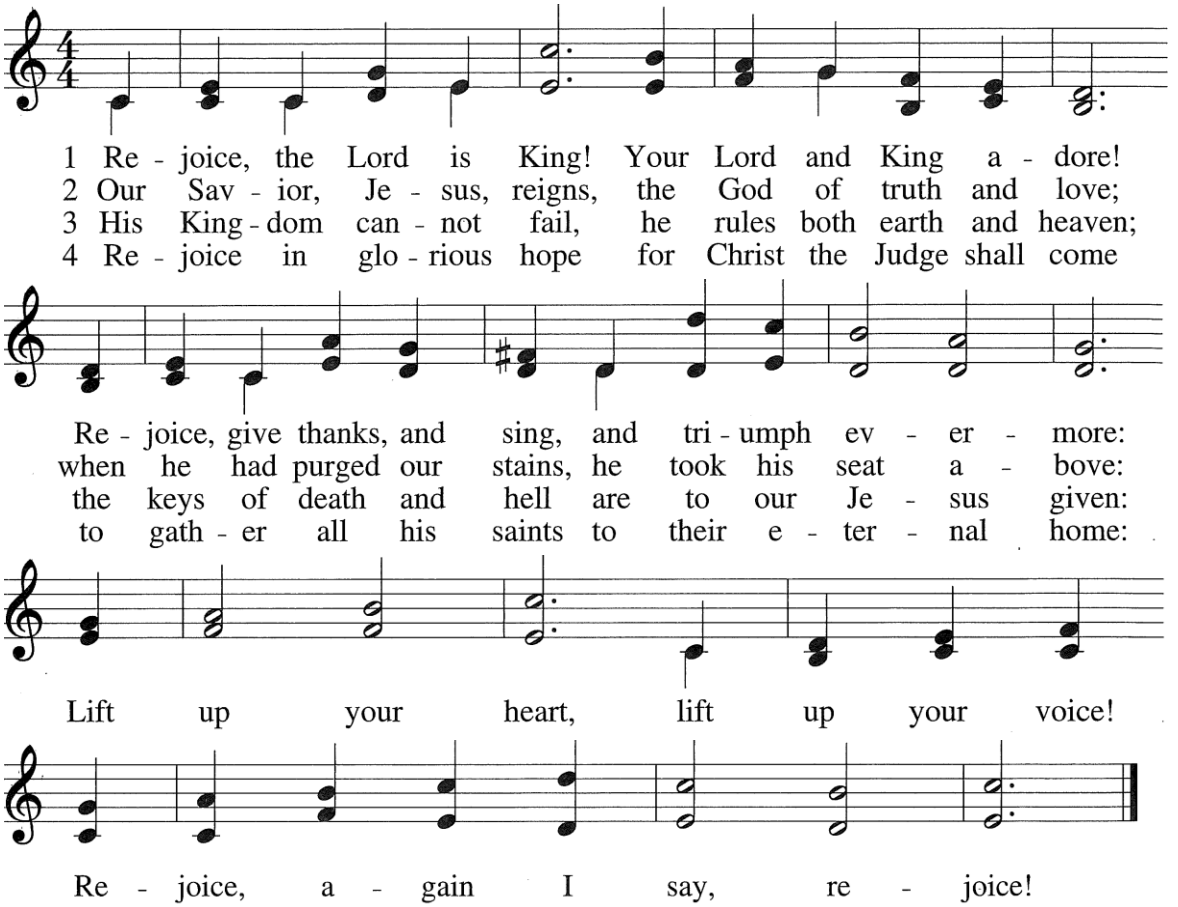
I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life.

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

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

Gradual Hymn: #342 W&R "Rejoice The Lord Is King"



Gospel Announcement

Presider: The Holy Gospel of our Lord, Jesus Christ, according to Matthew.
People: **"Glory to you, Lord Christ."**

Gospel: **Matthew 22:1-14**

Once more Jesus spoke to the people in parables, saying: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, 'Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.' But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, 'The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.' Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

"But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?' And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' For many are called, but few are chosen."

The Gospel of the Lord
"Praise to you, Lord Christ"

Sermon — The Reverend Michael Muller

The Nicene Creed Book of Common Prayer page 358

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 *The Leader and People pray responsively*

Leader: Lord our God, you have called us to be living members of your body, the Church. May we not merely be members in name only but be so transformed by your Spirit dwelling in us that we may bear the fruit of repentance in loving deeds. Lord, you call us to new life;

People: **Save us and lead us, O Lord.**

Leader: Lord our God, help us to live in peace with one another. In a world of harmful rhetoric, may we use our words to encourage and love – especially those that we consider different to ourselves. Lord, you call us to new life;

People: **Save us and lead us, O Lord.**

Leader: Lord our God, you have given us an abundant creation overflowing with good things. Make us generous stewards of this planet that it may be renewed and refreshed. Lord, you call us to new life;

People: **Save us and lead us, O Lord.**

Leader: Lord our God, you desire that your people not be afraid: Pour on the sick, suffering, and struggling the abundance of your mercy. Bless them with goodness and healing. Reading their names out loud we pray especially for: **Cesar Pacheco, Mike Marucci, Eva Cordova, Kathy Mack, Bob Messick, Mary Del Ojo, Dave Baker, Dana & Bill Dean, Evelyn & Jerry Watkins, Lee Westbrook, Nancy Pignatello, Jack Christel, Walt & Nancy Nickens, Ray Rogers, Tessie, Christopher, Martha, Cicely, Elyse, Joseph, Laurie, Micah, Aidan and Jaclyn.**

Leader: Lord, you call us to new life;

People: **Save us and lead us, O Lord.**

Leader: Lord our God, make our parish community ambassadors of your gratuitous love. May we wear the robe of new life, so that seeing the good works you have prepared for us to do, our neighbors may give you glory. In our parish cycle of prayer, we pray for; Nancy Hansen and Carolyn Harris and for those celebrating birthdays this week; Kevin Caprice and Lucy Edwards. We pray for Liberian students Fatumata, Princess, Maxwell, George & Derick. Lord, you call us to new life;

People: **Save us and lead us, O Lord.**

Leader: Lord our God, you have created us to live in your house forever. May those who have run the race of faith before us, attain the resurrection from the dead through the abundant mercy of your Son. Lord, you call us to new life;

People: **Save us and lead us, O Lord.**

Presider: Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Confession of Sin

Presider: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. (*Silence may be kept)*

Presider and People

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

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

Announcements

The Peace

The Presider says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

The Holy Communion

Offertory Sentence:

Choral Offertory: "Have Mercy O Lord" ~ J. Arcadelt

Presentation Hymn: "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow" Hymn #380

Representatives of the congregation bring the people's offerings to the presider. (vs. 3)

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.

The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer A BCP page 361

The people remain standing. The Presider faces them and says

Presider: The Lord be with you.
People: **And also with you.**

Presider: Lift up your hearts.
People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

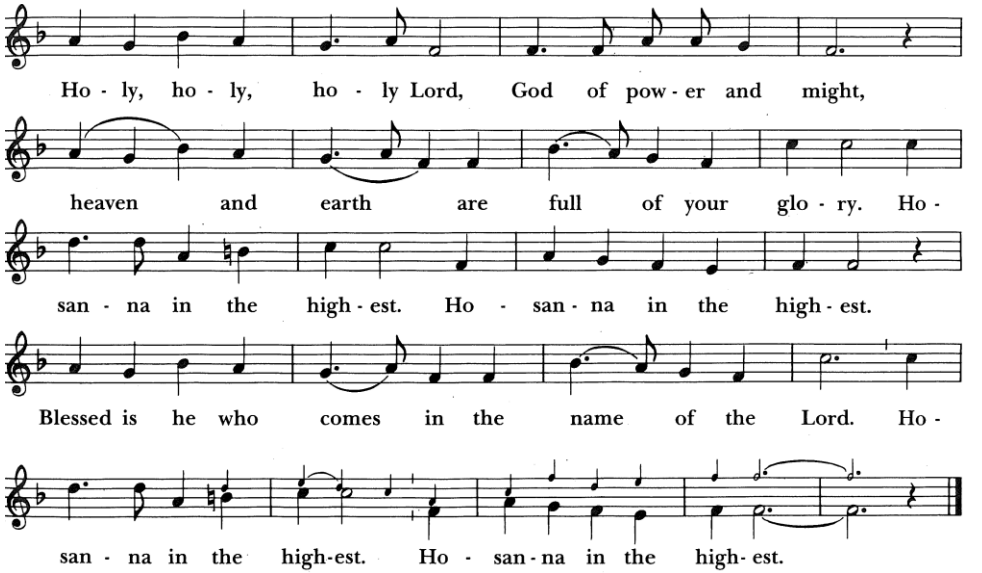
Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

The Presider proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every-where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of 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 Hymnal S 125



Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

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

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

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Presider and People

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

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.**

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

Presider: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People: **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Invitation to Communion

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.

Communion Choral Meditation: "Break Thou The Bread Of Life"

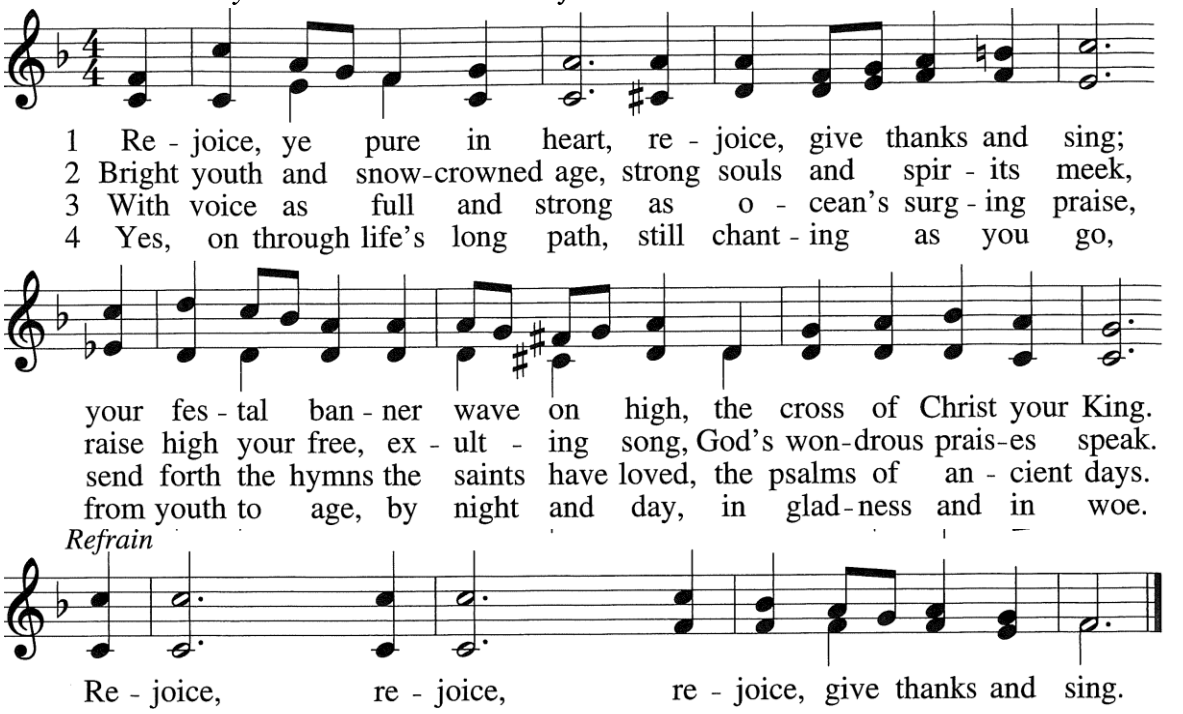
Post Communion Prayer Book of Common Prayer page 366

Presider and people

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

Blessing

Recessional Hymn #113 W&R "Rejoice Ye Pure In Heart"



Dismissal Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia.

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

Postlude: "Rejoice Ye Pure In Heart" ~ arr. F. Ritter

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St. Peter's Mission Statement

St. Peter's exists to celebrate our Christian faith through worship, fellowship and the demonstration of Christian love in the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

To accomplish this purpose we must

- Invite and welcome all persons into the warmth and fellowship of the St. Peter's family.
- Strengthen and support all members of our church family in their daily lives and minister to their needs.
- Create a rich environment where our common Christian values are shared and taught through worship, through study of the Bible and through example.
- Reach out to the world around us and demonstrate Christian love, sharing our gifts and talents with our neighbors and those in need of them.

The Staff at St. Peter's

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