July 5th & 6th, 2025 Proper 9 St. Peter's-at-the Light Episcopal Church Barnegat Light

Website: www.stpeterslbi.org

Thank you for worshipping with us this week.

May this worship truly honor God.

May it also be for you a time of blessing.



Altar Flowers are given by Debbie MacArthur in honor of her sister, Audrey Cavaco, on a "special" birthday.

<u>To minimize distractions during worship</u>, we do not "pass the plate" during the service. Still, we are very grateful for contributions to support our ministries. You can find the offering plate by the door, and you may leave a contribution there either as you enter or as you leave the service. We are always grateful for your presence and for your support!

GENEVIEVE R. BISHOP, VICAR

Office phone: (609) 494 – 2398; Office email: officestpeterslbi2@gmail.com

SINCERE THANKS TO TODAY'S WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

DON MANN, WORSHIP TECHNOLOGY
BRUCE ALLAN, GREETER
NANCY HENNESSEY, OT LECTOR & PSALM LEADER
SUSAN BLAUVELT, NT LECTOR
BARBARA SWEETON, LITANIST

TOM MACARTHUR, ACOLYTE & EUCHARISTIC MINISTER OF THE SIPPING CHALICE
JOAN MALARA, EUCHARISTIC MINISTER OF THE INTINCTION CHALICE
DEBBIE & TOM MACARTHUR, EUCHARISTIC VISITORS
BARBARA WHEELER, ORGANIST

COUNTERS

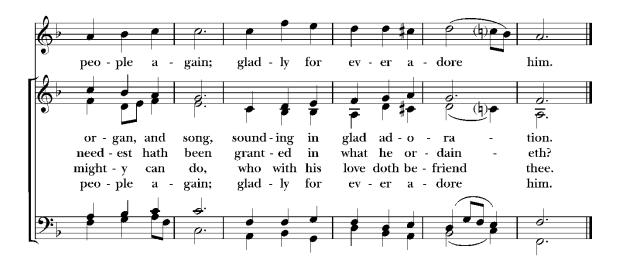
IOAN MALARA & MARIA RODRIGUEZ

All music herein is reprinted under Ritesong permission for one-time use and streaming or under OneLicense # A727343

Please stand as you are able

Entrance Rite

Entrance Hymn *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* Hymnal # 390 Descant 4 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is inme a thc1 Praise to Lord, Al might - y, the King oſ cre -Lord; all things 2 Praise to the o - ver hc glo - rious - ly 3 Praise to the Lord, who doth thy pros - per way and de -4 Praise to the Lord! O lct all that is in me a dore him! All that hath life and breath come now with ₹. tion; \mathbf{O} soul, praise him, for heis thy my reign eth: borne as on ea - gle-wings, safe - ly his fend thee; sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy shall and breath dore him! All that hath life come now with prais - es be - fore him! Let the $sound_{-}$ from his men ₹. health and sal - va psal - ter - y, tion: join the great throng, saints he sus - tain eth. Hastthou not seen how all thou ev - er at - tend pon-der a - new thee; what the Alprais - es be - fore him! Let the a men sound from his



Words: Joachim Neander (1650-1680); tr. *Hymnal 1940*, alt. Copyright © The Church Pension Fund. Music: *Lobe den Herren*, melody from *Erneuerten Gesangbuch*, 1665; harm. *The Chorale Book for England*, 1863; desc. Craig Sellar Lang (1891-1971). Descant, Copyright © 1953, Novello and Company Limited. Used by permission.

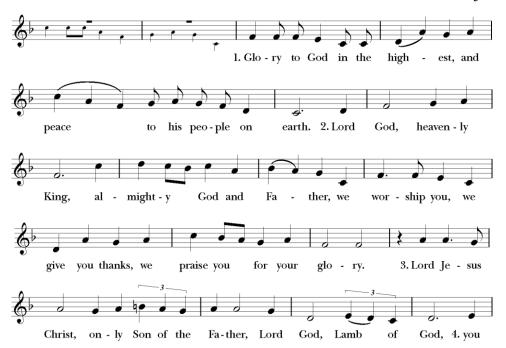
Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

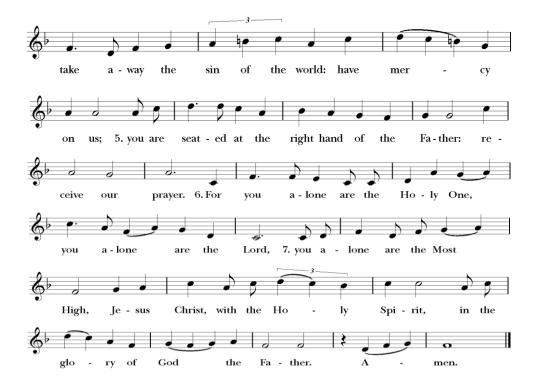
All: And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen!

Celebrant: 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.

All: Amen.

Hymn of Praise Hymnal S-280





Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray: The Collect for Proper 9 (BCP 230)

Celebrant: O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and

our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy

Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

Please Sit as you are able The Liturgy of the Word

OT Lector: The first reading is from the book Second Kings 2 Kings 5:1 - 14

¹ Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was important to his lord and high in his favor, because it was through Naaman that the Lord had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from leprosy. ² Once, when the Arameans were out raiding, they carried off a young girl from the land of Israel, and she became an attendant to Naaman's wife. ³ She said to her mistress, "I wish Master would come before the prophet in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy."

⁴So Naaman went in and told his lord just what the girl from the land of Israel had said. ⁵ And the king of Aram said, "Go to the king of Israel, and I will send along a letter."

So Naaman set out, taking with him ten talents of silver, six thousand shekels of gold, and ten changes of clothing. ⁶ He brought the letter to the king of Israel, which read, "When this letter reaches you, know that I have sent to you my courtier Naaman, that you may cure him of his leprosy." ⁷ When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes in two and said, "Am I God, to deal death or to give life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me."

⁸ When Elisha, the man of God, heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king: "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, and he will learn that there is a prophet in Israel."

⁹ So Naaman came with his horses and chariots, and halted at the door of Elisha's house. ¹⁰ Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored and you shall be clean." ¹¹ But Naaman became angry and walked away. "I thought he would surely come out to me, and would stand and invoke his God by name, and would wave his hand toward the spot, and cure the leprosy! ¹² Are not the Amanah and the Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean?" He turned and went away in a rage.

¹³ But his servants came forward and spoke to him, "Sir," they said, "if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, 'Wash, and be clean'?" ¹⁴ So Naaman went down and immersed himself in the Jordan seven times, as the man of God had bidden. His flesh became like a little boy's, and he was clean.

This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

OT Lector: In response to this reading, let us pray Psalm 30 responsively by half-verse.

- I will exalt you, O Lord, because you have lifted me up * and have not let my enemies triumph over me.
- O Lord my God, I cried out to you, * and you restored me to health.
- You brought me up, O Lord, from the dead; *
 you restored my life as I was going down to the grave.

- Sing to the Lord, you servants of his; * give thanks for the remembrance of his holiness.
- For his wrath endures but the twinkling of an eye, * his favor for a lifetime.
- Weeping may spend the night, * but joy comes in the morning.
- While I felt secure, I said, "I shall never be disturbed. *

You, Lord, with your favor, made me as strong as the mountains."

- Then you hid your face, * and I was filled with fear.
- I cried to you, O Lord; *
 I pleaded with the Lord, saying,
- "What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to the Pit? * will the dust praise you or declare your faithfulness?
- Hear, O Lord, and have mercy upon me; *
 O Lord, be my helper."
- You have turned my wailing into dancing; *
 you have put off my sack-cloth and clothed me with joy.
- Therefore my heart sings to you without ceasing; *O Lord my God, I will give you thanks for ever.

NT Lector: A reading is from Paul's letter to the Christians in Galatia Galatians 6:1-16

¹ My dear family, if anyone is detected in a transgression, you who have received the Spirit should restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness. Watch out for yourselves; you too may be tested. ² Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. ³ For if those who are nothing think they are something, they deceive themselves. ⁴ Every one of you should test your own work; then you will have reason to boast of yourself, not of somebody else. ⁵ For each of you must carry your own load.

⁶ If someone is being taught the word, they should share with the teacher all the good things they have. ⁷ Do not be deceived; God is not mocked. What you sow is what you will reap. ⁸ If you sow in the field of the flesh, you will harvest corruption; but if you sow in the field of the spirit, you will reap eternal life in the spirit. ⁹ So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest-time if we do not give up. ¹⁰ So

then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith.

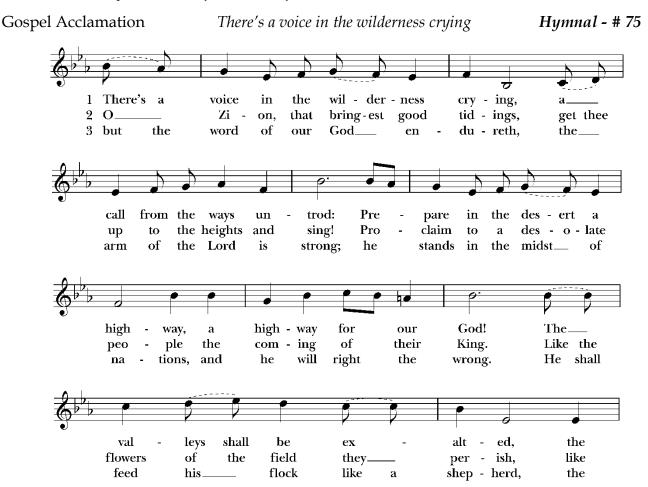
¹¹ Look at the large size letters. I am writing to you in my own hand! ¹² It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that try to compel you to be circumcised — only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. ¹³Even the circumcised do not themselves obey the law, but they want you to be circumcised so that they may boast about your flesh.

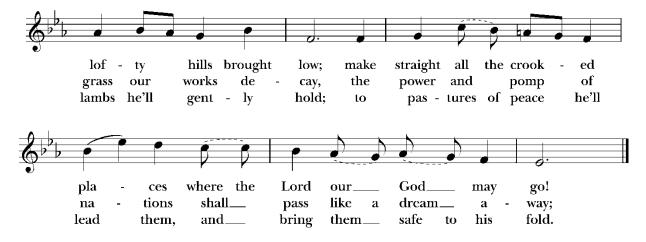
¹⁴ As for me, may I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. ¹⁵ Circumcision, you see, is nothing. But uncircumcision is also nothing! What matters is the new creation. ¹⁶ Peace and mercy shall be upon everyone who lines up by that standard. Yes, upon the Israel of God.

This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able for the Gospel Acclamation





Words: James Lewis Milligan (1876-1961), alt. Music: Ascension, Henry Hugh Bancroft (1904-1988). Copyright © 1938, H. Hugh Bancroft.

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of Jesus Christ according to Luke Luke 10:1-11a, 16-20

All: Glory to you, Lord Christ

¹ After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he intended to go. ² He said to them, "The is a great harvest out there," he said to them, but there are not many workers. So plead with the harvest-master to send outworkers for the harvest."

³ "Go on your way. Remember, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. ⁴ Take no purse, no bag, no sandals; and do not stop to pass the time on the road. no one on the road. ⁵ Whenever you go into a house, first say, 'Peace on this house!' ⁶ And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you."

⁷"Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the worker deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. ⁸ If you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is provided; ⁹ heal the sick who are there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' ¹⁰ But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, ¹¹'Here is the very dust of your town clinging to our feet – and we are wiping it off before your eyes! But you should know this: God's kingdom has come close to you.' ¹⁶"Whoever listens to you, listens to me. Whoever rejects you rejects me. Whoever rejects the one who sent me."

¹⁷ The seventy came back exhilarated. "Lord," they said, "even the demons obey us in your name! even the demons submit to us!"

¹⁸ Jesus replied, "I saw the satan fall like lightning from heaven. ¹⁹ Look: I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy.

Nothing will ever be able to harm you. ²⁰ But do not celebrate having spirits under your authority. Celebrate instead that your names are written in heaven."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

How lightly do you travel?

Please stand as you are able

Celebrant: Let us profess our faith using the words of the Nicene Creed

All: 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;

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

and his kingdom will have no end.

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,

he ascended into heaven

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

Celebrant: Good and Gracious God, hear our praise for all that you have done for us, and

receive our prayers as we cry out to you for the needs of all your people.

Litanist: O Gracious Lord, you have tasked us with bearing your peace into the world

around us. Give wisdom to the leaders of your church, especially Presiding Bishop Sean and Bishop Sally. Inspire all of us to travel lightly and to trust that

there are many ready to receive your peace. Gracious Lord,

All: Fill your church with your light and your love.

Litanist: Almighty God, form all communities that identify as churches, that we may

truly be communities of welcome, acceptance, and courageous response to the

needs of your people everywhere. Gracious Lord,

All: Lead us by your light and your love.

Litanist: O God of Might, touch the hearts of the leaders of all nations, that they may turn

to you for guidance in addressing the needs of the vulnerable and weak. Mighty

Lord,

All: Lead us by your light and your love.

Litanist: Kindly Lord, shower upon all your people the wisdom of traveling lightly

through this world; give us hearts ready to receive the gifts others offer and

ready to break down the barriers that keep us apart. Kindly Lord,

All: Lead us by your light and your love.

Litanist: O God of Mercy, protect all peoples from forces of harm, and draw us toward

into an ever-deepening gratitude for both your mercy and your justice. God of

Mercy,

All: Lead us by your light and your love.

Litanist: O God-who-is-Love, alleviate the concerns of all those on our parish prayer list,

represented today by these names,

Don Acque, Bruce Allen, Ron Anderson, Sharon Appler, Bella & Chris, Maureen B., Rich B., Ruth B., Wendy B., Mr. Badger, Bill Barre, Patti Bennici, Debbie Bergman, John Breitling, Don Brock, Alan Brooks, Mary Bruner, Doug Cable, Peg Caffrey, Young Dominic, Leeann & Al Cappella, Samantha Cavaco, Maria Ciammetti, Bret & Kathy Clark, Cynthia Cooper and Deacon Carolsue Cummings

To you, O God-who-is-Love, we pray:

All: Lead them by your light and your love.

Litanist: O God of our stories, you have made yourself known to this community through

so many who once spent time here and showered love upon this community. Reassure the hearts of Mary Allan, Peggy Caffrey, Adele Mount, Kay Roberts, Cynthia & Bob Shull, and others now living a distance from us, that they may each know that they are never forgotten here. O God who gathers us together,

All: Fill each of these today with your comfort, strength, and peace.

Litanist: O God of all Life, draw into your steadfast and enduring love all who have died,

especially Dennis Tsirikos and Mark Smith, and comfort all grieving persons,

especially the families and friends of Dennis and of Mark. O God of all Life,

All: Cultivate peace and hope among all your people.

The priest will invite other petitions here

Celebrant: O Lord our God, accept our heartfelt petitions; look upon us with compassion

and grant that our lives and our world may proclaim glory and praise to you

always, as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and forever.

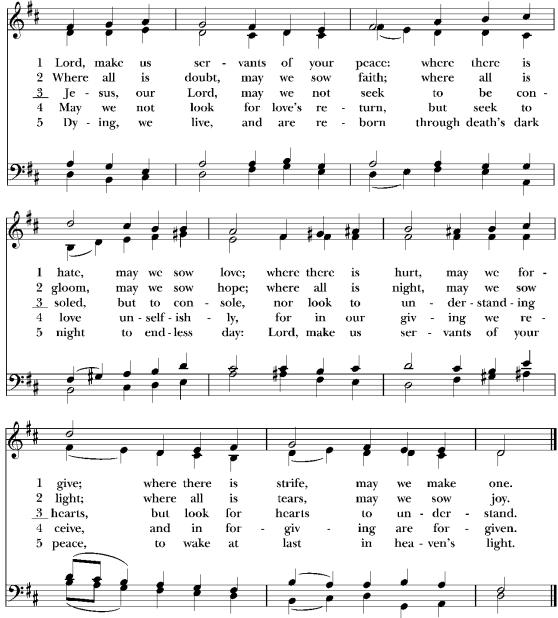
All: Amen.

Let us now offer each other a greeting of peace.

Please Sit as you are able

The Liturgy of the Table

Hymnal - # 593 Hymn as the Table is Set Lord, make us servants of your peace



Words: James Quinn (b. 1919), based on a prayer att. to St. Francis of Assisi (1182-1226). Copyright © James Quinn, SJ, printed by permission of Geoffrey Chapman, a division on Cassell Ltd. Music: *Dickinson College*, Lee Hastings Bristol, Jr. (1923-1979). Copyright © 1962, Theodore Presser Co. used by permission of the publisher.

Please stand as you are able

We pray Eucharistic Prayer B during the Epiphany season. It is found on page 367 in the BCP

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

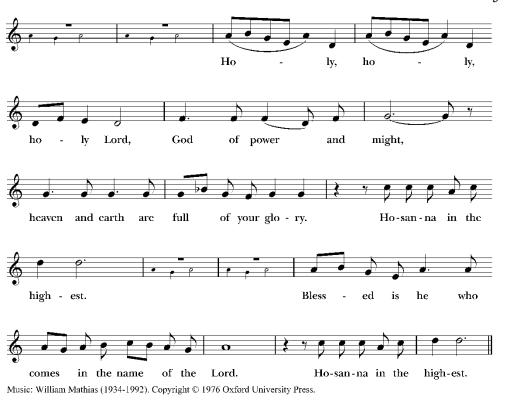
All: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant:

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

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:

Hymnal S-128



Celebrant:

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

All: We remember his death,

We proclaim his resurrection,

We await his coming in glory.

Priest:

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread, and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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





Music: McNeil Robinson II (b. 1943). Copyright © 1984 Theodore Presser Co. Used by permission.

Although we will collectively use the contemporary form of the Lord's Prayer, you are encouraged to pray this prayer aloud in the language that comes from your heart.

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

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

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 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.

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.

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ, our Passover, is sacrificed for us.

All: Therefore, let us keep the feast! Alleluia!

Celebrant: These are 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.

Please be seated as we prepare to distribute Communion.
This is the Lord's Table. All are welcome here.

To Partake of Communion or to Receive a Blessing

Those who wish to partake of Holy Communion may come to the altar rail. The railing is our way of extending the Lord's table. If you wish to receive only a blessing, cross your arms over your chest.

<u>If you prefer a wafer to a small piece of bread</u>, please hold your hands out but facing your hands toward the floor.

<u>If you need a gluten free host</u>, please place your right hand on your left shoulder.

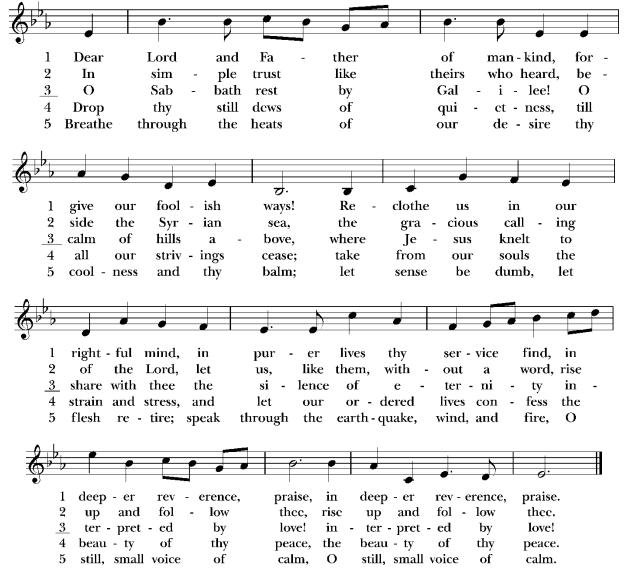
<u>To receive only the communion bread</u>, consume the host after it is in your hands; then return to your pew.

<u>If you wish to receive communion bread and dip it in the consecrated wine</u>, remain at the altar rail, and hold the bread or host in your hand until the gold chalice comes to you. Then dip the host into the wine and consume the communion bread and wine.

If you wish to consume the host and then sip from the chalice, leave the altar rail after you consume the bread or host and move to the Eucharistic Minister with the silver sipping chalice at the left side of the altar rail.

Always, you may either stand or kneel at the altar rail, as you prefer.

Post-Communion Hymn: Dear Lord and Father of Mankind Hymnal # 653



Words: John Greenleaf Whittier (1807-1892), alt. Music: Repton, Charles Hubert Hastings Parry, (1848-1918), alt.

Priest: Let us pray together once again. **Post-communion Prayer -** *BCP* 366

All: Almighty and ever living 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.

The Eucharistic Visitors will now come forward to be blessed and sent by our community.

The priest will offer a prayer of blessing for this ministry.

The community will then commission the Eucharistic Visitors to bring the Communion Bread and Wine to the homebound and their families by these words:

All: Debbie and Tom,

we now send you forth
as representatives of this community,
to bear these holy gifts,
the Sacrament of the body and blood,
the presence of Jesus.
We desire that those to whom you go
may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.
We who are here and those to whom you go,
are one body,
because we all share one bread, one cup.

Announcements

Please stand for the final blessings of this service

<u>Priest</u>: May the love of God open your heart to all God's children;

May the Lord Jesus continue to unite your hearts through this

celebration of Word and sacrament;

And, until we meet again, may the power of the Holy Spirit fill you

anew each day;

That your life may proclaim the goodness of God always.

All: Amen.

Sending Hymn: This is my song, O God of all the nations One License

The music for the sending hymn is on the next page.

After the sending hymn:

Celebrant: Let us go forth in the name of Christ, Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thank you for worshiping with us today.

Please join us, if you can, in the parish house for a time of fellowship.

