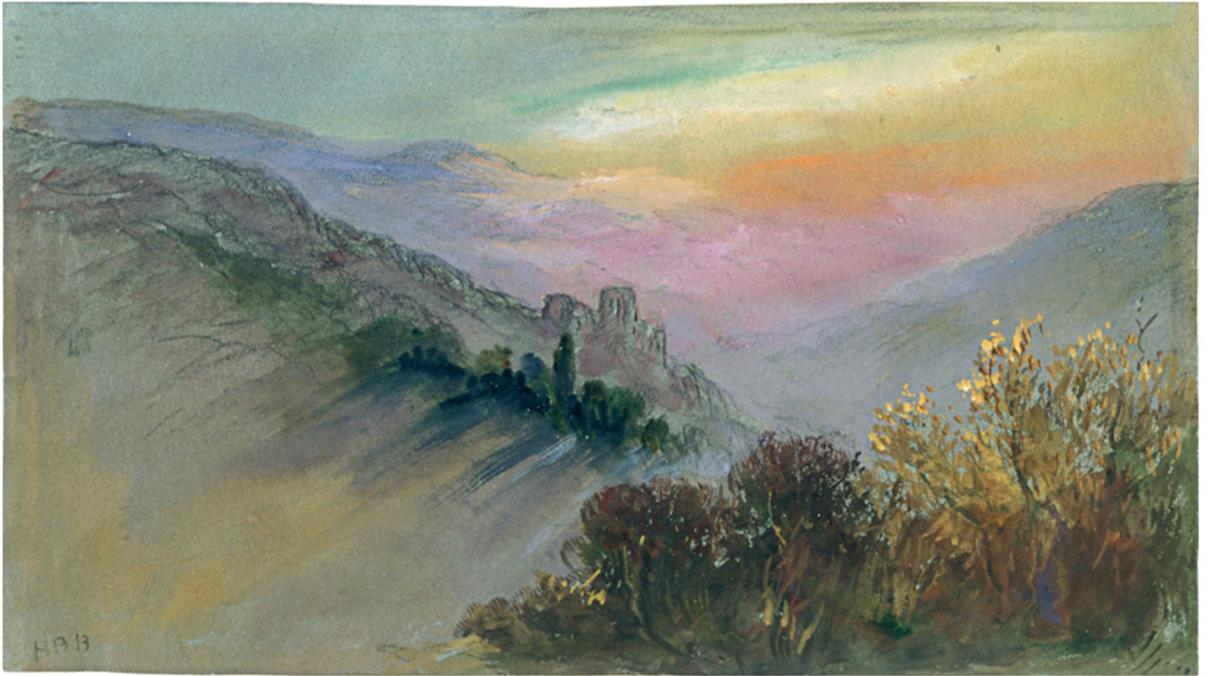




# CHURCH *of the* HOLY NATIVITY

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HOLY EUCHARIST  
**THE SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT**

March 1, 2026 at 9:30 a.m.

# ENTRANCE RITE

## PRELUDE

At the ringing of the bell, **STAND** as able as the ministers enter during the hymn.

## HYMN IN PROCESSION

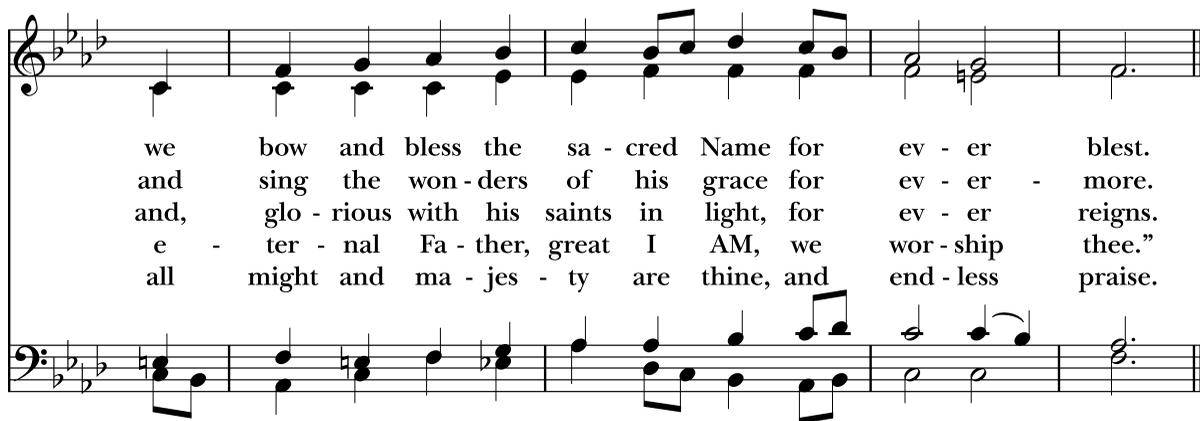
"The God of Abraham praise"

The Hymnal 1982 #401

1 The God of A - braham praise, who reigns en - throned a - bove;  
2 He by him - self hath sworn: we on his oath de - pend;  
3 There dwells the Lord, our King, the Lord, our Right - eous - ness,  
4 The God who reigns on high the great arch - an - gels sing,  
5 The whole tri - um - phant host give thanks to God on high;

1 An - cient of ev - er - last - ing days, and God of love;  
2 we shall, on ea - gle - wings up - borne, to heaven a - scend:  
3 tri - um - phant o'er the world and sin, the Prince of Peace;  
4 and "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly," cry, "Al - might - y King!  
5 "Hail, Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost!" they ev - er cry;

1 the Lord, the great I AM, by earth and heaven con - fessed:  
2 we shall be - hold his face, we shall his power a - dore,  
3 on Zi - on's sa - cred height his king - dom he main - tains,  
4 Who was, and is, the same, and ev - er - more shall be:  
5 hail, A - braham's Lord di - vine! With heaven our songs we raise;



we bow and bless the sa - cred Name for ev - er blest.  
 and sing the won - ders of his grace for ev - er - more.  
 and, glo - rious with his saints in light, for ev - er reigns.  
 e - ter - nal Fa - ther, great I AM, we wor - ship thee."  
 all might and ma - jes - ty are thine, and end - less praise.

Words: Thomas Olivers (1725-1799), alt. Music: *Leoni*, Hebrew melody; harm. *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1875, alt.

## OPENING ACCLAMATION

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*Celebrant* Blessed be the God of our salvation:  
*People* **Who bears our burdens and forgives our sins.**

*The Celebrant may read one of the following sentences*

*Celebrant* Jesus said, “The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord your 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 commandment greater than these.” *Mark 12:29-31*

*Celebrant* If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. *1 John 1:8,9*

*Celebrant* Since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. *Hebrews 4:14,16*

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

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.**

Celebrant 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**

## THE KYRIE

*Sung by all.*

*Mass on Early American Tunes*

Lord, have mer - cy, Lord, have  
mer-cy, Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy, Christ, have  
mer-cy, Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy, Lord, have  
mer - cy, Lord, have mer - cy.

*rit.*

Music: William Bradley Roberts, based on POOR, WAYFARING STRANGER, anon. Early American melody, 19<sup>th</sup> cent.  
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*Celebrant*      The Lord be with you.

*People*          **And also with you.**

*Celebrant*      Let us pray.

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word, Jesus Christ your Son; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*Please be SEATED.*

## **LITURGY OF THE WORD**

### **THE FIRST LESSON**

Genesis 12:1-4a

*Lector*          A reading from Genesis.

The Lord said to Abram, “Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.”

So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him.

*Lector*          The Word of the Lord.

*People*          **Thanks be to God.**

## THE PSALM

Psalm 121

All sing the refrain to begin. The choir sings the verses and the congregation joins in on the refrains as marked.

### Refrain



I have ta - ken re - fuge in \_\_\_ you, O Lord.

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- 1 I lift up my eyes to the hills; \*  
from where is my help to come?
- 2 My help comes from the Lord, \*  
the maker of heaven and earth. Refrain
- 3 He will not let your foot be moved \*  
and he who watches over you will not fall asleep.
- 4 Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel \*  
shall neither slumber nor sleep; Refrain
- 5 The Lord himself watches over you; \*  
the Lord is your shade at your right hand,
- 6 So that the sun shall not strike you by day, \*  
nor the moon by night. Refrain
- 7 The Lord shall preserve you from all evil; \*  
it is he who shall keep you safe.
- 8 The Lord shall watch over your going out and your coming in, \*  
from this time forth for evermore. Refrain

## THE SECOND LESSON

Romans 4:1-5,13-17

Lector A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. For what does the scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness." Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness.

For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, “I have made you the father of many nations”) —in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

All **STAND** as able.

**HYMN AT THE SEQUENCE**

*Sung by all.*

*Lift Every Voice & Sing II #192 v. 1&4*

1 I need thee ev-ery hour, most gra - cious Lord; no ten - der voice like  
4 I need thee ev-ery hour, teach me thy will, and thy rich prom - is -

*Refrain*  
thine can peace af - ford.  
es in me ful - fill. I need thee, O I need thee; ev - ery hour I

need thee! O bless me now, my Sav - ior, I come to thee.

*Worship and Rejoice 476*  
WORDS: Annie S. Hawks (1835-1918); ref. Robert Lowry (1826-1899)  
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*Deacon*        The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

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

There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.” Jesus answered him, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.” Nicodemus said to him, “How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother’s womb and be born?” Jesus answered, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, ‘You must be born from above.’ The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.” Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?” Jesus answered him, “Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

“Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

“Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.”

*Deacon*        The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**THE SERMON**

The Very Rev. Bradley A. Linboom

*Rector*

*All **STAND** as 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; 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 worshipped 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

## FORM VI

BCP 392

*Deacon* In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

*Intercessor* For all people in their daily life and work;

*People* **For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

*Intercessor* For this community, the nation, and the world;

*People* **For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

*Intercessor* For the just and proper use of your creation;

*People* **For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

*Intercessor* For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

*People* **For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

*Intercessor* For peace and unity of the Church of God;

*People* **For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

*Intercessor* For Sean our Presiding Bishop, and Paula our Bishop; and all bishops and other ministers;

*People* **For all who serve God in his Church.**

*Intercessor* For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. For: Elizabeth & Matthew; R and J; Kris; Maria Luz & Eusebio; Ken; Shain; Betsy; Judy; Diane; Gloria; John & Pam; Zeke; Gloria; Jim; Marian; Rhyn; Evan; Payton; Hana; Anna & Gentry; Kathy; Terry; Sharon; Brenda; David; Gordon; Jim; Elsie; Elizabeth; Luis; David; Gilbert; Temple; Fola & Yinka; Marsha; Eduardo, Milagros, Clemente, & “Tia” Maria; Frank; Charlotte; Rachel; Donna; Marianne & Peter; Charlotte; Nancy; Margie & Jeff; John & Joyce and those we now name aloud or in the silence of our hearts...

*The people are invited to voice additional petitions.*

Hear us, Lord;

*People* **For your mercy is great.**

*Intercessor* We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

*The people may add their own thanksgiving.*

We will exalt you, O God our King;

*People* **And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

*Intercessor* We pray for all who have died that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

*The people are invited to voice additional petitions.*

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them.

*People* **Who put their trust in you.**

*The Celebrant adds a concluding collect. The people responding Amen.*

## **THE PEACE**

*Celebrant* The Peace of the Lord, be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*The people greet one another in the name of the Lord and then are SEATED.*

# THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

## OFFERTORY SENTENCE

The Celebrant begins the Offertory with a sentence of scripture. The people are then **SEATED**.

## THE OFFERTORY

“Come You Sinner, Poor and Needy”

Tony Alonso

During the Offertory, the gifts of bread and wine are brought forward and Deacon prepares the table.

## OFFERTORY RESPONSE

“All who hunger gladly gather”

MHSO #52

The people **STAND** for the Hymn as the Offering is presented.

All who hun - ger gath - er glad - ly; ho - ly man - na  
is our bread. Come from wil - der - ness and wan - d'ring.  
Here in truth we will be fed. You that yearn for  
days of full - ness, all a - round us is our food.  
Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal.  
Taste and see that God is good.

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*Celebrant* *People*



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

*Celebrant* *People*



Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

*Celebrant*



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People*



It is right to give him thanks and praise.

*The Celebrant continues*

*Celebrant* God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

*People*



Glo - ry to you for ev - er and ev - er.

*Celebrant* At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

*People*



By your will they were cre - a - ted and have their be - ing.

*Celebrant* From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

*People*



Have mer - cy, Lord, for we are sin - ners in your sight.

*Celebrant* Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way to freedom and peace.

*People*



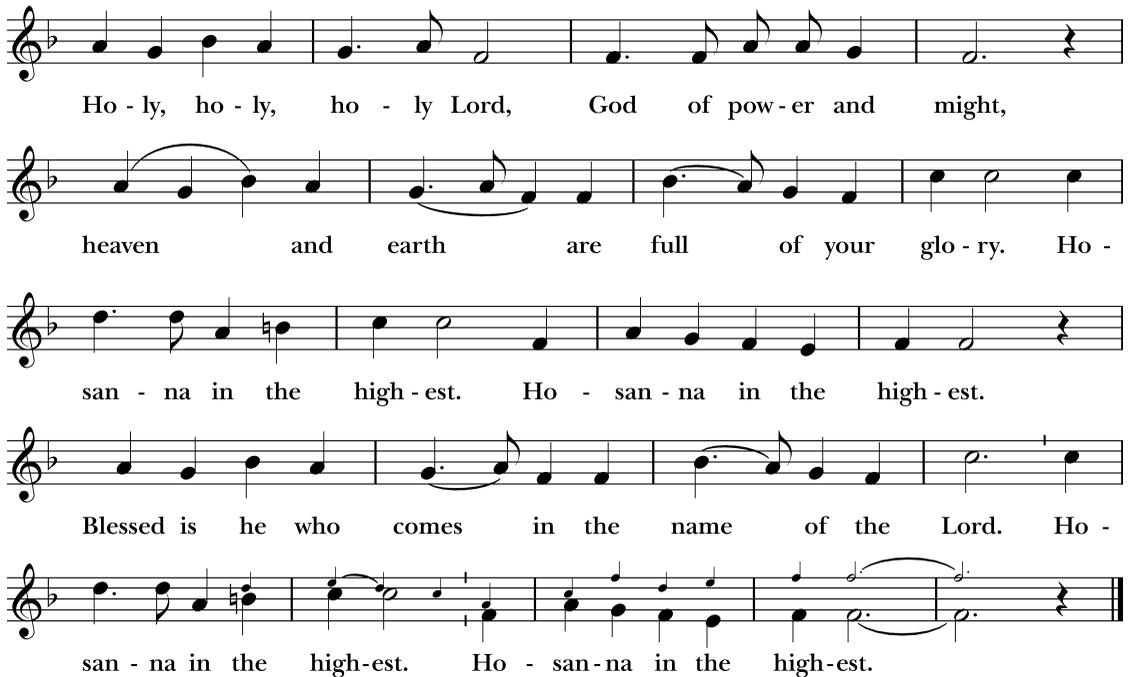
By his blood, he re - con - ciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

*Celebrant* And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

### THE SANCTUS

*Sung by all.*

*The Hymnal 1982 #S125*



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

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### The Celebrant continues

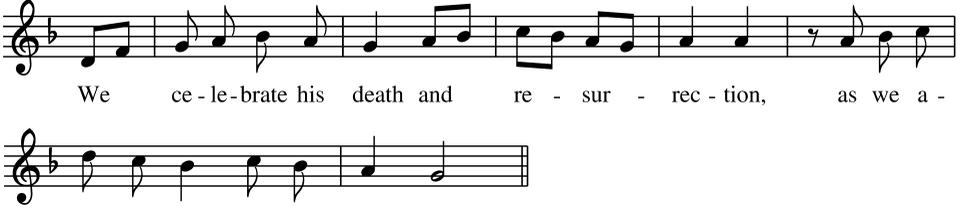
*Celebrant* And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said “Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given to you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, 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.”

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

*People*



We ce - le - brate his death and re - sur - rec - tion, as we a -  
wait the day of his com - ing.

### The Celebrant continues

*Celebrant* Lord God of our Fathers; God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

*People*



Ri - sen Lord, be known to us in the break - ing of the Bread.



## THE FRACTION

*We observe a moment of holy silence as the Celebrant breaks the bread.*

## THE ANTHEM

*Sung by all.*

*Mass on Early American Tunes*

Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer-cy,  
have mer - cy on — us. Je - sus, bear - er of our sins:  
have mer - cy on — us. Je - sus — re - deem - er  
of the world: — give us your peace; Je - sus — re -  
deem - er of the world: — give — us your peace. —

The musical notation consists of five staves of music in a single system. The key signature has one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is written on a treble clef staff. The lyrics are placed below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes. The final note of the piece is a whole note, followed by a double bar line.

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## THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

*Celebrant* The Gifts of God, for the People of God.

### About Receiving Communion

*All who seek God and are drawn by Christ are welcome to receive Holy Communion.*

*Follow the instructions of the clergy and/or ushers.*

*If for any reason, you do not wish to receive Communion, you are still invited to come forward.*

*Please cross your arms over your chest for a prayer of blessing to be said over you.*

*Please inform the minister if you need a gluten-free wafer.*

## COMMUNION HYMN

## "Let thy Blood in mercy poured"

The Hymnal 1982 #313

1 Let thy Blood in mer - cy poured, let thy gra - cious  
 2 Thou didst die that I might live; bless - ed Lord, thou  
 3 By the thorns that crowned thy brow, by the spear-wound  
 4 Wilt thou own the gift I bring? All my pen - i -

Bo - dy bro - ken, be to me, O gra - cious Lord,  
 cam'st to save me; all that love of God could give  
 and the nail - ing, by the pain and death, I now  
 tence I give thee; thou art my ex - alt - ed King,

*Refrain*

of thy bound-less love the to - ken.  
 Jes - us by his sor - rows gave me. Thou didst give thy -  
 claim, O Christ, thy love un - fail - ing.  
 of thy match-less love for - give me.

self for me, now I give my - self to thee.

## THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

BCP 365

*Celebrant* Let us pray.  
*All* **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.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS/BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES

### THE SOLEMN PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

BOS 11

*Celebrant* Bow down before the Lord.

*The people* **KNEEL** or **BOW** as able.

*Celebrant* Grant, Almighty God, that your people may recognize their weakness and put their whole trust in your strength, so that they may rejoice for ever in the protection of your loving providence; through Christ our Lord.

*People* **Amen.**

### HYMN IN PROCESSION [**FACING PAGE**]

### DISMISSAL

*The Deacon dismisses the people, the people responding*

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

### POSTLUDE

*Descant*



Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim

*Refrain*



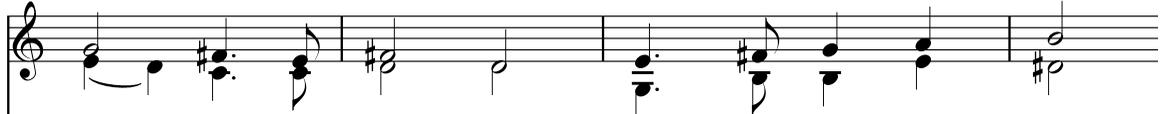
Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim



till all the world a - dore his sa - cred Name.



till all the world a - dore his sa - cred Name.



Led on their way by this tri - um - phant sign,  
 Each new - born ser - vant of the Cru - ci - fied  
 O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,  
 So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be:



*Repeat Refrain*



the hosts of God in con - quering ranks com - bine.  
 bears on the brow the seal of him who died.  
 as thou hast prom - ised, draw the world to thee.  
 praise to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry.



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