



CHURCH *of the* HOLY NATIVITY

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Loemans, Alexander Francois. *"The Finding of Moses."* 1870.

HOLY EUCHARIST

THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

(PROPER 16)

August 23, 2026 at 9:30 a.m.

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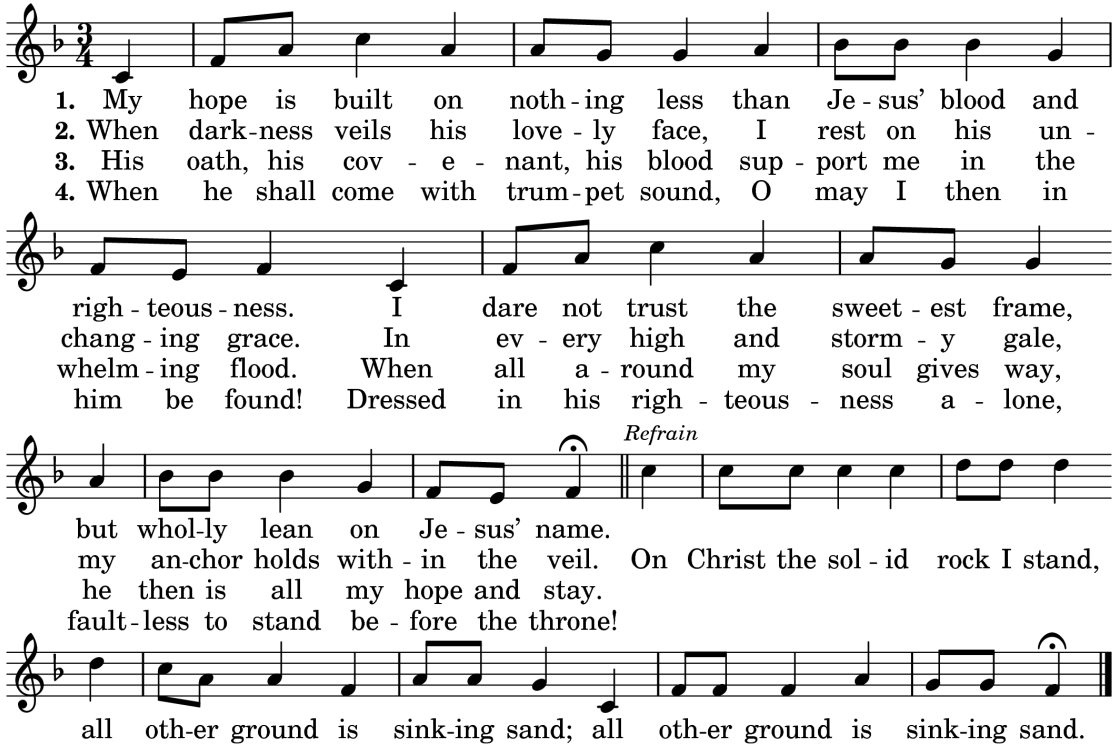
PRELUDE

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

HYMN IN PROCESSION

“My hope is built”

The United Methodist Hymnal #368



1. My hope is built on noth - ing less than Je - sus' blood and
2. When dark-ness veils his love - ly face, I rest on his un -
3. His oath, his cov - e - nant, his blood sup - port me in the
4. When he shall come with trum - pet sound, O may I then in

righteous - ness. I dare not trust the sweet - est frame,
chang - ing grace. In ev - ery high and storm - y gale,
whelm - ing flood. When all a - round my soul gives way,
him be found! Dressed in his righteous - ness a - lone,

Refrain
but wholly lean on Je - sus' name.
my an - chor holds with - in the veil. On Christ the sol - id rock I stand,
he then is all my hope and stay.
fault - less to stand be - fore the throne!

all oth - er ground is sink - ing sand; all oth - er ground is sink - ing sand.

United Methodist Hymnal 368

WORDS: Edward Mote, 1834

MUSIC (THE SOLID ROCK, LM with refrain): William B. Bradbury, 1863

OPENING ACCLAMATION & COLLECT FOR PURITY

BCP 355

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

People **And blessed be God's reign, now and for ever. 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.

People **Amen.**



1 Chris-tians, we have met to wor-ship and a-dore the liv-ing God;
will you pray with all your pow-er, while we try to preach the Word?
All is vain un-less the Spir-it of the Ho-ly One comes down;
Chris-tians, pray, and ho-ly man-na will be show-ered all a-round.

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SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

BCP 357

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Please be SEATED.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST LESSON

Exodus 1:8-2:10

Lector A reading from Exodus.

Now a new king arose over Egypt, who did not know Joseph. He said to his people, “Look, the Israelite people are more numerous and more powerful than we. Come, let us deal shrewdly with them, or they will increase and, in the event of war, join our enemies and fight against us and escape from the land.” Therefore they set taskmasters over them to oppress them with forced labor. They built supply cities, Pithom and Rameses, for Pharaoh. But the more they were oppressed, the more they multiplied and spread, so that the Egyptians came to dread the Israelites. The Egyptians became ruthless in imposing tasks on the Israelites, and made their lives bitter with hard service in mortar and brick and in every kind of field labor. They were ruthless in all the tasks that they imposed on them.

The king of Egypt said to the Hebrew midwives, one of whom was named Shiphrah and the other Puah, “When you act as midwives to the Hebrew women, and see them on the birthstool, if it is a boy, kill him; but if it is a girl, she shall live.” But the midwives feared God; they did not do as the king of Egypt commanded them, but they let the boys live. So the king of Egypt summoned the midwives and said to them, “Why have you done this, and allowed the boys to live?”

The midwives said to Pharaoh, “Because the Hebrew women are not like the Egyptian women; for they are vigorous and give birth before the midwife comes to them.” So God dealt well with the midwives; and the people multiplied and became very strong. And because the midwives feared God, he gave them families. Then Pharaoh commanded all his people, “Every boy that is born to the Hebrews you shall throw into the Nile, but you shall let every girl live.”

Now a man from the house of Levi went and married a Levite woman. The woman conceived and bore a son; and when she saw that he was a fine baby, she hid him three months. When she could hide him no longer she got a papyrus basket for him, and plastered it with bitumen and pitch; she put the child in it and placed it among the reeds on the bank of the river. His sister stood at a distance, to see what would happen to him.

The daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river, while her attendants walked beside the river. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her maid to bring it. When she opened it, she saw the child. He was crying, and she took pity on him, “This must be one of the Hebrews’ children,” she said. Then his sister said to Pharaoh’s daughter, “Shall I go and get you a nurse from the Hebrew women to nurse the child for you?” Pharaoh’s daughter said to her, “Yes.” So the girl went and called the child’s mother. Pharaoh’s daughter said to her, “Take this child and nurse it for me, and I will give you your wages.” So the woman took the child and nursed it. When the child grew up, she brought him to Pharaoh’s daughter, and she took him as her son. She named him Moses, “because,” she said, “I drew him out of the water.”

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE PSALM

Said responsively by half-verse.

Psalm 124

- 1 If the Lord had not been on our side, *
let Israel now say;
- 2 If the Lord had not been on our side, *
when enemies rose up against us;
- 3 Then would they have swallowed us up alive *
in their fierce anger toward us;
- 4 Then would the waters have overwhelmed us *
and the torrent gone over us;
- 5 Then would the raging waters *
have gone right over us.
- 6 Blessed be the Lord! *
he has not given us over to be a prey for their teeth.
- 7 We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowler; *
the snare is broken, and we have escaped.
- 8 Our help is in the Name of the Lord, *
the maker of heaven and earth.

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

I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God-- what is good and acceptable and perfect.

For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

*All **STAND** as able.*

THE SEQUENCE HYMN

Sung by all.

Celtic Mass
Fintan O'Carroll and Christopher Walker



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THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 16:13-20

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

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

When Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that the Son of Man is?” And they said, “Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.” He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” Simon Peter answered, “You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.” And Jesus answered him, “Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.” Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

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

Deacon Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Intercessor Father, we pray for your holy catholic Church;
People **That we all may be one.**

Intercessor Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
People **That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

Intercessor We pray for Sean our Presiding Bishop, Paula our Bishop, and for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
People **That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

Intercessor We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
People **That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Intercessor Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
People **That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Intercessor For those who are currently ailing or have requested our prayers: John & Pam; Phyllis; Cassie; Terry; Brenda; Donna; Charlotte; Jane and those we now name...

The congregation is invited to add their concerns, either silently or aloud.

[We continue to pray for those with ongoing concerns: Elizabeth & Matthew; Shain; Betsy; Gloria B; Gloria D; Evan; Elsie; Temple; Fola & Yinka; Rachel; Peter; Margie & Jeff]

People Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
That they may be delivered from their distress.

Intercessor We pray for those who have died, especially for Pat.

The congregation is invited to add their concerns, either silently or aloud.

People Give to the departed eternal rest.
Let light perpetual shine upon them.

Intercessor We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

People **May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

The celebrant concludes with this or a similar collect.

Celebrant 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.

All **Amen.**

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 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

The West Suburban Dulcimer Group

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

OFFERTORY RESPONSE

“People of God”

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

3 Bear - ing your gifts, en - ter God's pre - sence; come, let us
share in the hea - ven - ly feast. Mend - ing all rifts,
heal - ing di - vi - sions, come and from sor - rows and hurts be re - leased.
Come, let us join in the hea - ven - ly dance,
prais - ing in joy - ous ce - le - bra - tion.

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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 our thanks and praise.

The celebrant continues

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

[Here is proper Preface is sung or said]

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:

THE SANCTUS

Sung by all.

MHSO #38

Ho - ly ho - ly ho - ly God of pow - er and might, Hea - ven and earth are

full, are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na! Ho - san - na! Ho - san - na

in the high - est! Ho - san - na! Ho - sa - na! Ho - san - na in the high - est!

Then facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

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 to 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:

People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

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.



THE LORD'S PRAYER

Said by all.

Celebrant As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,
All **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
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.

THE FRACTION

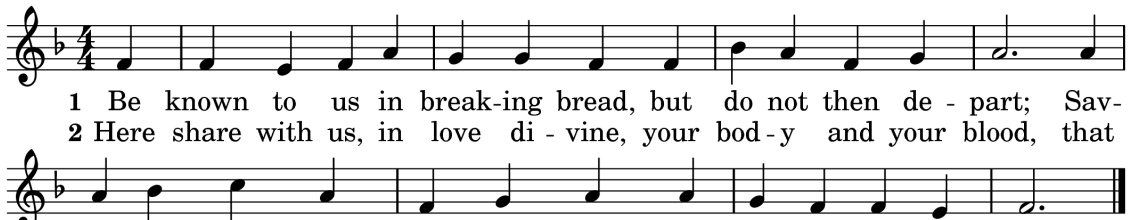
We observe a moment of holy silence as the Celebrant breaks the bread.

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

THE ANTHEM

Sung by all.

Glory to God #500



1 Be known to us in break-ing bread, but do not then de - part; Sav-
2 Here share with us, in love di - vine, your bod - y and your blood, that
ior, a - bide with us, and spread your ta - ble in our heart.
liv - ing bread, that heaven - ly wine be our im - mor - tal food.

Glory to God #500
TEXT: James Montgomery, 1825
MUSIC (ST. FLAVIAN, CM): Day's *Psalter*, 1562

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

"The love of God comes close"

John Bell

1. The love of God comes close where stands an o - pen door to
2. The peace of God comes close to those caught in the storm, for -
3. The joy of God comes close where faith en - coun - ters fears, where
4. The grace of God comes close to those whose grace is spent, where
5. The Son of God comes close where peo - ple praise his name, *where

let the stran - ger in, to min - gle rich and poor: the love of
go - ing lives of ease to ease the lives for - lorn: the peace of
heights and depths of life are found through smiles and tears: the joy of
hearts are tired or sore and hope is bruised or bent: the grace of
bread and wine are blessed and shared as when he came; the Son of

God is here to stay em - brac - ing those who walk his way.

**For non-eucharistic occasions: "where what he said is done with / love, as when he came;"*

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Tune: DARWALL'S 148TH; John Darwall, 1731-1789

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 BLESSING

The Priest may bless the people, the people responding **Amen.**

HYMN IN PROCESSION [OVERLEAF]

DISMISSAL

The Deacon dismisses the people, the people responding

People **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE



1. Great is Thy faithfulness, O God, my Fa-ther, There is no shad-ow of
2. Summer and win-ter, and springtime and harvest, Sun, moon and stars in their
3. Par-don for sin and a peace that en-dur-eth, Thine own dear presence to



turn-ing with Thee; Thou chang-est not, Thy com - pas-sions, they fail not,
cours-es a - bove, Join with all na-ture in man - i - fold wit-ness,
cheer and to guide; Strength for to-day and bright hope for to - mor-row,



As Thou hast been, Thou for ev - er wilt be.
To Thy great faith - ful-ness, mer - cy and love. Great is Thy faith-fulness!
Bless-ings all mine, with ten thou-sand be - side!



Great is Thy faith-fulness! Morn-ing by morn-ing new mercies I see; All I have



need-ed Thy hand hath pro-vided, Great is Thy faith-fulness, Lord, un-to me!

One Lord, One Faith, One Baptism 477

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