

# **WORSHIP BULLETIN**

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# **Morning Prayer** Wednesday, May 6, 2015

Opening Sentence

Thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. (1 Corinthians 15:57)

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. Silence may be kept.

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.

Officiant: Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. Amen.

V. Lord, open our lips.

R. And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

### *Together:*

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia!

Antiphon - Invitatory Psalm and antiphons are said together

Alleluia. The Lord is risen indeed: Come let us adore him. Alleluia!

*Invitatory Psalm - Together:* 

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us;\* therefore let us keep the feast, Not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil,\* but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. Alleluia.

Christ being raised from the dead will never die again;\* death no longer has dominion over him. The death that he dies, he dies to sin, once for all;\* but the life he lives, he lives to God. So also consider yourselves dead to sin,\* and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord. Alleluia.

Christ has been raised from the dead,\* the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep. For since by a man came death,\* by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die,\* so also in Christ shall all be made alive. Alleluia. (1 Corinthians 5:7-8; Romans 6:9-11; 1 Corinthians 15:20-22)

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1 Give the king your justice, O God, and your righteousness to a king's son. 2 May he judge your people with righteousness, and your poor with justice. 3 May the mountains yield prosperity for the people, and the hills, in righteousness. 4 May he defend the cause of the poor of the

Psalm 72 *Officiant and people together:* 

people,

give deliverance to the needy, and crush the oppressor.

5 May he live while the sun endures, and as long as the moon, throughout all generations. 6 May he be like rain that falls on the mown grass. like showers that water the earth. 7 In his days may righteousness flourish and peace abound, until the moon is no more.

8 May he have dominion from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth. 9 May his foes bow down before him,

and his enemies lick the dust. 10 May the kings of Tarshish and of the isles render him tribute, may the kings of Sheba and Seba bring gifts. 11 May all kings fall down before him. all nations give him service. 12 For he delivers the needy when they call, the poor and those who have no helper. 13 He has pity on the weak and the needy, and saves the lives of the needv. 14 From oppression and violence he redeems their life: and precious is their blood in his sight. 15 Long may he live! May gold of Sheba be given to him.

May prayer be made for him continually, and blessings invoked for him all day long. 16 May there be abundance of grain in the land; may it wave on the tops of the mountains; may its fruit be like Lebanon: and may people blossom in the cities like the grass of the field. 17 May his name endure forever, his fame continue as long as the sun. May all nations be blessed in him;c may they pronounce him happy. 18 Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel, who alone does wondrous things. 19 Blessed be his glorious name forever; may his glory fill the whole earth. Amen and Amen.

Together: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

### Reading Wisdom 13:1-9

<sup>1</sup>For all people who were ignorant of God were foolish by nature; and they were unable from the good things that are seen to know the one who exists, nor did they recognize the artisan while paying heed to his works; <sup>2</sup> but they supposed that either fire or wind or swift air, or the circle of the stars, or turbulent water, or the luminaries of heaven were the gods that rule the world. <sup>3</sup> If through delight in the beauty of these things people assumed them to be gods, let them know how much better than these is their Lord, for the author of beauty created them. <sup>4</sup> And if people<sup>\*</sup> were amazed at their power and working, let them perceive from them how much more powerful is the one who formed them. <sup>5</sup> For from the greatness and beauty of created things comes a corresponding perception of their Creator. <sup>6</sup> Yet these people are little to be blamed, for perhaps they go astray while seeking God and desiring to find him. <sup>7</sup> For while they live among his works, they keep searching, and they trust in what they see, because the things that are seen are beautiful. <sup>8</sup> Yet again, not even they are to be excused; <sup>9</sup> for if they had the power to know so much that they could investigate the world, how did they fail to find sooner the Lord of these things?

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

Canticle 10 The Second Song of Isaiah – (Isaiah 55:6-11) The canticle is read in unison:

Seek the Lord while he wills to be found;\* call upon him when he draws near.

Let the wicked forsake their ways \* and the evil ones their thoughts;

And let them turn to the Lord, and he will have compassion,\* and to our God, for he will richly pardon.

For my thoughts are not your thoughts,\* nor your ways my ways, says the Lord.

For as the heavens are higher than the earth,\* so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts.

Officiant: The Lord be with you **People: And also with you** 

For as rain and snow fall from the heavens \* and return not again, but water the earth, Bringing forth life and giving growth,\* seed for sowing and bread for eating, So is my word that goes forth from my mouth;\* it will not return to me empty; But it will accomplish that which I have purposed,\* and prosper in that for which I sent it. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

# The Lord's Prayer – together:

Officiant: Let us 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 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

# Suffrages

- V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;
- R. And grant us your salvation.
- V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;
- R. Let your people sing with joy.
- V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
- R. For only in you can we live in safety.
- V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;

- R. And guide us in the way of justice and truth.
- V. Let your way be known upon earth;
- R. Your saving health among all nations.
- V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
- R. Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.
- V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;
- R. And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

### Collect for the Fifth Sunday of Easter

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**.

### A Collect for Peace

O God, the author of peace and lover of concord, to know you is eternal life and to serve you is perfect freedom: Defend us, your humble servants, in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in your defense, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold; pour out your Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

### World Cycle of Prayer

We pray for the people of the Diocese of Nicaragua.

We pray for our suffering sisters and brothers in all parts of the world where there is violence and oppression.

### Ecumenical Cycle of Prayer

We pray for our sisters and brothers, members of the churches of Sudan, South Sudan, and Uganda.

For whom or what else, shall we pray? (Intercessions and thanksgivings may be added aloud or silently.)

Together: Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. Amen.

### Benediction

Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia. Alleluia!

### Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia!

Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to God from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. **Amen**. (*Ephesians 3:20, 21*)



# Compline Service Wednesday and Thursday Nights, May 6 and 7, 2015

The Officiant begins

The Lord Almighty grant us a peaceful night and a perfect end. *Amen*.

Officiant Our help is in the Name of the Lord;
People The maker of heaven and earth.
Officiant O God, make speed to save us.
People O Lord, make haste to help us.

Officiant and People

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia!

Psalm 31 Officiant and People read the psalm together

1 Answer me when I call, O God, defender of my cause; \*

you set me free when I am hard-pressed; have mercy on me and hear my prayer.

2 "You mortals, how long will you dishonor my glory? \*

how long will you worship dumb idols and run after false gods?"

3 Know that the Lord does wonders for the faithful; \* when I call upon the Lord, he will hear me.

4 Tremble, then, and do not sin; \*

speak to your heart in silence upon your bed.

5 Offer the appointed sacrifices \*

and put your trust in the Lord.

6 Many are saying, "Oh, that we might see better times!" \*

Lift up the light of your countenance upon us, O Lord.

7 You have put gladness in my heart, \*

more than when grain and wine and oil increase.

8 I lie down in peace; at once I fall asleep; \*

for only you, Lord, make me dwell in safety.

Psalm 134 Officiant and People read the psalm together

1 Behold now, bless the LORD, all you servants of the LORD, \*

you that stand by night in the house of the LORD.

2 Lift up your hands in the holy place and bless the LORD; \*

the LORD who made heaven and earth bless you out of Zion.

Officiant and People

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as

it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia!

Officiant Lord, you are in the midst of us, and we are called by your Name: Do not forsake us, O Lord our God. (Jeremiah 14:9, 22)

People Thanks be to God.

V. Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit;

R. For you have redeemed me, O Lord, O God of truth.

V. Keep us, O Lord, as the apple of your eye;

R. Hide us under the shadow of your wings.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

### Officiant and People

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.

Officiant Lord, hear our prayer;

People And let our cry come to you.

Officiant Let us pray.

#### Collect

Visit this place, O Lord, and drive far from it all snares of the enemy; let your holy angels dwell with us to preserve us in peace; and let your blessing be upon us always; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

### Prayer

Keep watch, dear Lord, with those who work, or watch, or weep this night, and give your angels charge over those who sleep. Tend the sick, Lord Christ; give rest to the weary, bless the dying, soothe the suffering, pity the afflicted, shield the joyous; and all for your love's sake. *Amen*.

If desired, the following song may be sung: ("Sanctuary", by Randy Rothwell)

Lord prepare me,
To be a sanctuary,
Pure and holy,
Tried and true,
And with thanksgiving,
I'll be a living,
Sanctuary,
For you.

### Officiant:

Lord, you now have set your servant free \*
to go in peace as you have promised;
For these eyes of mine have seen the Savior, \*
whom you have prepared for all the world to see:
A Light to enlighten the nations, \*
and the glory of your people Israel.
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \*
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

#### All repeat the Antiphon

Guide us waking, O Lord, and guard us sleeping; that awake we may watch with Christ, and asleep we may rest in peace.

Officiant Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The Officiant concludes

The almighty and merciful Lord, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless us and keep us. Amen.



# **Morning Prayer** Thursday, May 7, 2015

### Opening Sentence

Christ has entered, not into a sanctuary made with hands, a copy of the true one, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. (Hebrews 9:24)

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. Silence may be kept.

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.

Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. Amen.

Officiant: O God, let our mouth proclaim your praise.

People: And your glory all the day long.

Together:

Praise to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia!

Invitatory Psalm and antiphon are said together Antiphon

Alleluia. Christ is risen. O come let us worship. Alleluia!

### Invitatory Psalm (63:1-8)

O God, you are my God; eagerly I seek you; \* my soul thirsts for you, my flesh faints for you, as in a barren and dry land where there is no water.

Therefore I have gazed upon you in your holy place, \*

that I might behold your power and your glory. For your loving-kindness is better than life itself:\*

my lips shall give you praise.

So will I bless you as long as I live \*

and lift up my hands in your Name. My soul is content, as with marrow and fatness, \* and my mouth praises you with joyful lips, When I remember you upon my bed, \* and meditate on you in the night watches. For you have been my helper, \* and under the shadow of your wings I will rejoice. My soul clings to you; \* your right hand holds me fast.

#### Antiphon

Alleluia. Christ is risen. O come let us worship. Alleluia!

### Psalm 71

- 1 In you, O Lord, I take refuge; let me never be put to shame.
- 2 In your righteousness deliver me and rescue me; incline your ear to me and save me.
- 3 Be to me a rock of refuge, a strong fortress, to save me, for you are my rock and my fortress.
- 4 Rescue me, O my God, from the hand of the wicked, from the grasp of the unjust and cruel.
- 5 For you, O Lord, are my hope, my trust, O Lord, from my youth.
- 6 Upon you I have leaned from my birth; it was you who took me from my mother's womb. My praise is continually of you.

- 7 I have been like a portent to many, but you are my strong refuge.
- 8 My mouth is filled with your praise, and with your glory all day long.
- 9 Do not cast me off in the time of old age; do not forsake me when my strength is spent.
- 10 For my enemies speak concerning me, and those who watch for my life consult together. 11 They say, "Pursue and seize that person whom God has forsaken, for there is no one to deliver."
- 12 O God, do not be far from me; O my God, make haste to help me!

13 Let my accusers be put to shame and consumed; let those who seek to hurt me be covered with scorn and disgrace.

14 But I will hope continually, and will praise you yet more and more.

15 My mouth will tell of your righteous acts, of your deeds of salvation all day long, though their number is past my knowledge.

16 I will come praising the mighty deeds of the Lord God, I will praise your righteousness, yours alone.

17 O God, from my youth you have taught me, and I still proclaim your wondrous deeds.
18 So even to old age and gray hairs, O God, do not forsake me, until I proclaim your might to all the generations to come. Your power

19 and your righteousness, O God, reach the high heavens. You who have done great things, O God, who is like you?

20 You who have made me see many troubles and calamities will revive me again; from the depths of the earth you will bring me up again. 21 You will increase my honor, and comfort me once again.

22 I will also praise you with the harp for your faithfulness, O my God; I will sing praises to you with the lyre, O Holy One of Israel.
23 My lips will shout for joy when I sing praises to you; my soul also, which you have rescued.
24All day long my tongue will talk of your righteous help, for those who tried to do me harm have been put to shame, and disgraced.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

# **Reading** Luke 8:26-39

<sup>26</sup>Then they arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. <sup>27</sup>As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. <sup>28</sup>When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me"—29 for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) 30 Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" He said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him. 31 They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss. 32 Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. 33Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned. <sup>34</sup>When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. 35Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid, <sup>36</sup>Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. 37Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. 38The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, 39"Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Canticle J - A Song of Judith (Judith 16:13-16) – said in unison

I will sing a new song to my God, \*

for you are great and glorious, wonderful in strength, invincible.

Let the whole creation serve you, \*

for you spoke and all things came into being.

You sent your breath and it formed them, \*

no one is able to resist your voice.

Mountains and seas are stirred to their depths, \*

rocks melt like wax at your presence.

But to those who fear you, \*

you continue to show mercy.

No sacrifice, however fragrant, can please you, \*

but whoever fears the Lord shall stand in your sight for ever.

Officiant: Hear our cry, O God **People: And listen to our prayer** 

Officiant: Let us pray

The Lord's Prayer

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your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

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### Suffrages

V. Look upon your people, O God, our Savior;

R. Give to us the blessing of peace.

V. Declare your glory among the nations;

R. And your wonders among all peoples.

V. Do not let the oppressed be shamed and turned away:

R. Never forget the lives of your poor.

V. Continue your loving-kindness to those who know you:

R. And your favor to those who are true of heart.

V. Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning;

R. So shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.

Collects:

O heavenly Father, who has filled the world with beauty: Open our eyes to behold your gracious hand in all your works; that, rejoicing in your whole creation, we may learn to serve you with gladness; for the sake of him through whom all things were made, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

Almighty God, who after the creation of the world rested from all you works and sanctified a day of rest for all your creatures: Grant that we, putting away all earthly anxieties, may be duly prepared for the service of your sanctuary, and that our rest here upon earth may be a preparation for the eternal rest promised to your people in heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold; pour out your Spirit upon all flesh, and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

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Ecumenical Cycle of Prayer

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For whom or what else, shall we pray? (Intercessions and thanksgivings may be added aloud or silently.)

#### Together:

Accept, O Lord, our thanks and praise for all that you have done for us. We thank you for the splendor of the whole creation, for the beauty of this world, for the wonder of life, and for the mystery of love. We thank you for the blessing of family and friends, and for the loving care which surrounds us on every side.

We thank you for setting us at tasks which demand our best efforts, and for leading us to accomplishments which satisfy and delight us.

We thank you also for those disappointments and failures that lead us to acknowledge our dependence on you alone.

Above all, we thank you for your Son Jesus Christ; for the truth of his Word and the example of his life; for his steadfast obedience, by which he overcame temptation; for his dying, through which he overcame death; and for his rising to life again, in which we are raised to the life of your kingdom.

Grant us the gift of your Spirit, that we may know him and make him known; and through him, at all times and in all places, may give thanks to you in all things. Amen.

Benediction

Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia. Alleluia!

### Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia!

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. **Amen**. (2 Corinthians 13:14)

# Holy Eucharist, Rite Two Friday, May 8, 2015

Gathering music is played as we come together to worship.



### THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The people standing, the Celebrant says

Alleluia. Christ is risen!

People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

### The Celebrant may say

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 Collect of the Day

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

Celebrant: Let us pray.

You raise up laborers for your harvest, Holy God, sending them out as sowers of your Good News to be workers of healing, enactors of justice, and caretakers of new life: Bless us and equip us for service, enliven us with your joy, and help us remember and trust that it is you who will bring in the harvest; through Jesus Christ, the Savior of souls. **Amen**.

The people sit for

# The Old Testament Reading

Reader: A reading from the Book of Isaiah

(Isaiah 2:2-4)

In days to come the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it. Many peoples shall come and say, "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths." For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.

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

Psalm 96:1-7 Cantate Domino

Read responsively (the People read the verses in bold)

1 Sing to the LORD a new song; \*

sing to the LORD, all the whole earth.

- 2 Sing to the LORD and bless his Name; \* proclaim the good news of his salvation from day to day.
- 3 Declare his glory among the nations \* and his wonders among all peoples.
- 4 For great is the LORD and greatly to be praised; \* he is more to be feared than all gods.
- 5 As for all the gods of the nations, they are but idols; \* but it is the LORD who made the heavens.
- 6 Oh, the majesty and magnificence of his presence! \* Oh, the power and the splendor of his sanctuary!
- 7 Ascribe to the LORD, you families of the peoples; \* ascribe to the LORD honor and power.

### The Epistle Reading

*Reader*: A reading from the Letter to the Ephesians

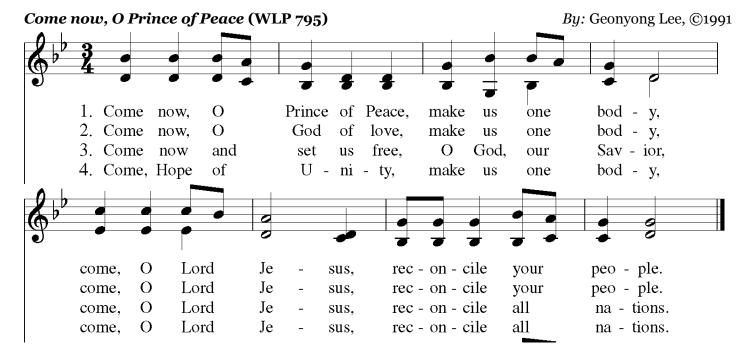
(Ephesians 2:13-22)

But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. So he came and proclaimed peace to

you who were far off and peace to those who were near; for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

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

# The Sequence Hymn



### The Gospel

*Deacon*: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

(Luke 10:1-9)

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house!' And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; cure the sick who are there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.'"

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rt. Rev. Stacy F. Sauls, Chief Operating Officer of The Episcopal Church The people stand, as able, for the

# **Hand-Anointing Litany & Blessing of Oil**

All: Loving God, we hear your call as you invite us again to share in your ministry. Our zeal in the past has not set the world on fire and our attachment to convenience shields us from the urgency of needs in our global community. And yet you call us to the work of

reconciliation and justice, of equity and renewal.

Leader: There are many gifts.

People: But it is the same Spirit who gives them.

Leader: There are different ways of serving God.

People: But it is the same God whom we serve.

Leader: God works through each person in a different way.

People: But it is God's purpose that we serve as a community when we share our gifts in

ministry.

Leader: Each person is given special gifts by the Spirit.

People: To use for the common good.

*Leader:* Together we are the Body of Christ.

People: Each person is an essential member of the Body.

Leader: Together we share in the ministry of compassion, of justice, of peace, and in so doing participate in

God's creative and redemptive work in the world. So that in the end, all people and all creation are

brought together in serving God's purpose.

People: Just as Jesus came not to be served but to serve, and to live his life to set others free.

Leader: Spirit of power, time and again throughout history you have anointed your servants and sent them

on mission: to speak your word to the poor, to heal the sick, to free the captives – always renewing the face of the earth in such a variety of ways that creation itself sings to your glory and the human

family reflects your beauty in a thousand different ways!

Bishop: And so we ask you to come, Spirit of the Living One. Bless [] this oil of anointing. Make it an oil of

gladness and healing. We pray that by this anointing, our hands and hearts might be strengthened for the work that lies ahead, that we might be compassionate toward human suffering, tender and determined in our care for our brothers and sisters in Christ, genuine in our friendship with

humanity, and faithful to the commitments we make.

People: Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

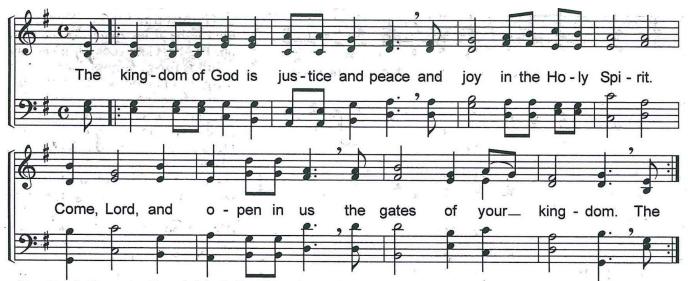
The people sit while designated folks come forward, take small dishes with oil-saturated cotton balls back into the assembly, and begin the process of anointing one another's hands.

**Music** (all sing)

Take my Life and Let it be Consecrated

**Hymnal**, **707** *Tune:* Hollingside

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(Das Reich Gottes ist Gerechtigkeit, Friede und Freude im Heiligen Geist. Komm, Herr, und öffne in uns die Tore deines Reiches.)

After hands have been anointed, the people stand, as able, for the concluding prayer.

Celebrant:

Let us pray.

People:

Most gracious God, we give you thanks for speaking to us in ways that surprise and challenge us. You uncover difficult truths, create our thirst for justice, and support us in work we fear to undertake alone.

We give thanks for your invitation to grow and engage the fullness of life, and for the comfort you extend in our struggle to be faithful.

We ask you to be with us as we return to our communities renewed and restored to serve. We ask you to give us faith and the confidence to bear it; hope and the openness to be continually expectant; and love, the only true beginning. Amen.

### The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.



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# **The Offertory**

The monetary gifts offered at this Holy Eucharist will be given to the Episcopal Relief and Development Nepal Earthquake Response Fund.

**Offertory Hymn** (all sing) The Church of Christ in every age (WLP 779) By: Fred Pratt Green, © 1971 Hope Publishing Co. Tune: Dunedin 1. The church of Christ by in ev ery age, be - set 2. A world, cross the the the a cross street, vic - tims 3. Then let the ser vant church a rise. Α car - ing 4. For Christ a lone. whose blood was shed. can cure the 5. We but serve infull have  $_{
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# The Holy Communion

# The Great Thanksgiving

The people remain standing, as able. The Celebrant says

The Lord be with you.

**People:** And also with you. Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

**People:** 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.

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 his death he has destroyed death, and by his 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:



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:

Celebrant and 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. **AMEN.** 

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

# People and Celebrant

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

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

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

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

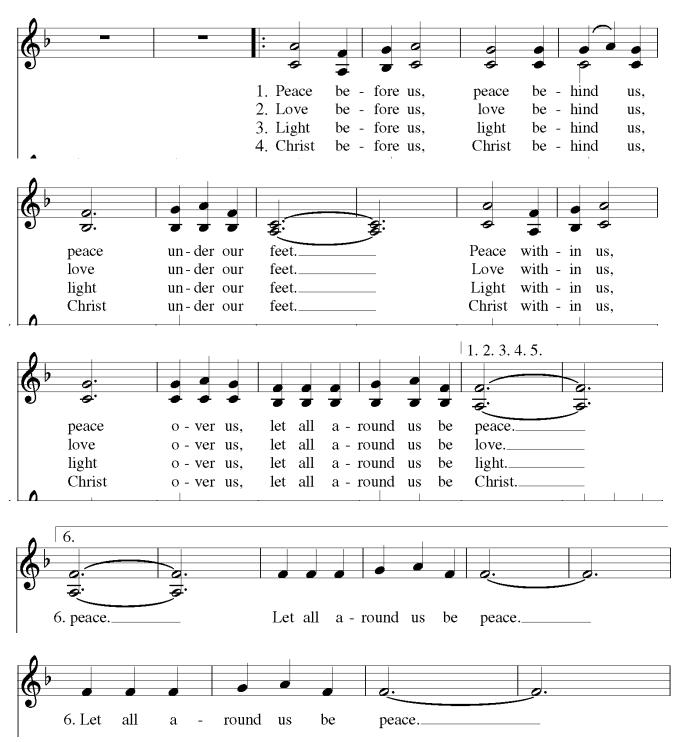
The Gifts of God for the People of God. [Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.]



# **Music during Holy Communion**

# Peace before us (WLP 791)

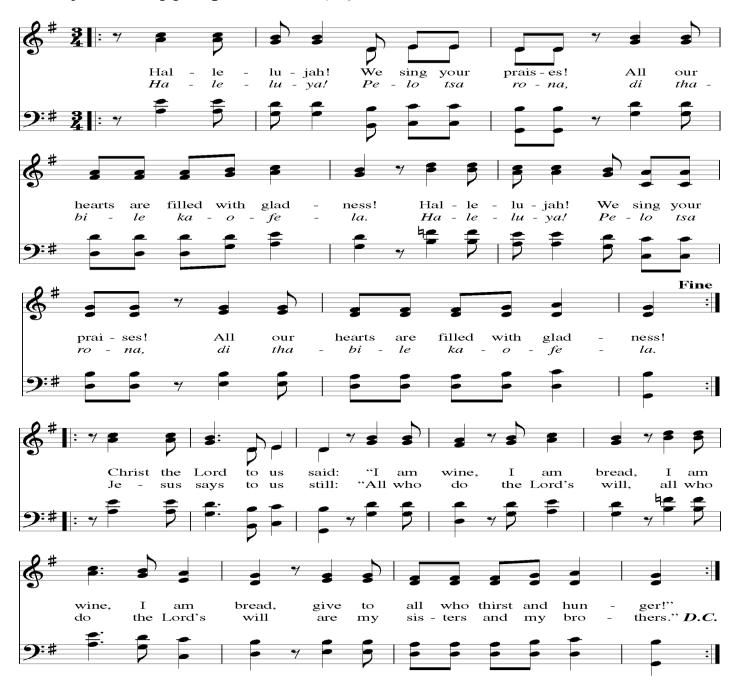
By: David Haas (based on a Navajo prayer), ©1987 GIA Publications



- 5. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
- 6. Peace before us, peace behind us, peace under our feet.
  Peace within us, peace over us, let all around us be peace. (three times)

# Hallelujah! We sing your praises! (WLP 784)

Words: South African



*After Communion, the Celebrant says:* Let us pray.

### Celebrant 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 mysteriesthat 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 Celebrant may bless the People. The People respond:* **Amen**.

### **Processional Hymn**

### Not alone, but two by two

By: Carl P. Daw, Jr. © 1994 Hope Publishing Tune: St. George's Windsor



- 1. Not a lone, but two by two, Je sus sent dis ci ples out:
- 2. Have we still such dar ing hearts? Can we claim their faith and nerve?
- 3. Holy Spirit, breath through us with your un i fy ing might;



Yoked to share their grow – ing faith, spurred by cour – age, slowed by doubt. Do we tru – ly love the world Je – sus calls for us to serve? Kin – dle cleans – ing, melt – ing flames till our frac – tured wills u – nite.



Tak – ing but a walk – ing stick, mon – ey – less and Can we plant a – gain the seed sown in mu – tual Bind our hearts in mu – tual love, par – a – dox that



san – dal – shod, forth they went to preach and min – is – try, pat – terned on a life of sets self free; let our com – mon wit – ness



heal, trust – ing all their needs to God. faith root – ed in com – mun – i - ty? show God's shared life in Trin – i - ty.

### The Dismissal

Deacon Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia, alleluia! **People** Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

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