



SAINT JAMES EPISCOPAL

**THE HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II
THE LAST SUNDAY AFTER THE
EPIPHANY**

**FEBRUARY 15, 2026
10:30 AM**

WELCOME TO ST. JAMES

St. James is part of the Episcopal Church and a member of the Anglican Communion—a fellowship of 70 million Christians throughout the world. Our purpose is to be a Christ-centered community proclaiming God’s word, worshipping God in the beauty of holiness, lifting our hearts in prayer, exploring and deepening our faith in community, and serving others as Christ came to serve. We welcome all who seek the living God to journey with us. We are a truly diverse group which gathers around one table as one family in the Body of Christ, each a beloved child of God.

We believe in the Real Presence: that Jesus Christ becomes truly present to us in the sacrament of his Body and Blood. In this sacrament, our unity in Christ is revealed and from it, we draw our spiritual strength.

All are welcome at God’s altar during communion. Baptized Christians of all ages are invited to join with us in receiving the sacrament, regardless of your denomination. If you are not baptized or are in any way uncomfortable receiving communion today, when you come forward, simply cross your arms over your chest to indicate you desire a blessing rather than the sacrament. If you are not baptized and would like to be, please speak with a member of the clergy after the service.

Again, welcome, thank you for joining us, and know that we believe in the words of St. Paul who said:

Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. (Hebrews 13:2)

Gluten Free Communion Wafers are available. Please make your request known to the clergy at the Altar Rail.



Hearing Loop Available: Hearing aid users can activate their T-Coils to benefit from this hearing assistance service. St. James also offers assistive listening FM Receivers with ear buds; please make your request to the usher or sound technician.

The Rt. Rev. Daniel P. Richards, Bishop, Episcopal Diocese of Upper South Carolina

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A GUIDE TO OUR SERVICE TODAY AT



SAINT JAMES EPISCOPAL

Welcome! We are delighted that you have chosen to join us for worship on this Sunday. We know that visiting a new church can be a little intimidating, so we prepared this to help you feel more at home.

There are a lot of books in the pew - which one do I use?

The Book of Common Prayer (BCP) is the red book found in the pew rack. The Hymnal 1982, the blue book, contains the hymns and service music; numbers with an S are at the front of the hymnal.

Where are the restrooms?

The restrooms are located in the main hall toward the offices. Go through the double doors at the rear of the church and turn left. Continue down the hall and the restrooms are on your right.

A changing station is located in the accessible restroom on the right near the drinking fountain.

I am hard of hearing. Will I be able to hear?

Hearing aid users can activate their T-Coils to benefit from our hearing assistance service. St. James also offers assistive listening FM Receivers with ear buds; please make your request to the usher or sound technician.

Is nursery care available during the service?

Nursery care for children four years old and under is available during this service should you desire it. The nursery is located on the lower level. Children are welcome at all services.

May my children color during the service?

Children are always welcome in all our services and activity bags are available to help keep our younger children engaged during the service. Children's Activity Bags are now located in the corner of the Narthex by the window. Children may choose which activities they'd like to take in their bag. Please return the bag to the basket after the service. There's no need to sort the items when you return them, a volunteer will restock everything for the following Sunday.

When do I stand, sit, or kneel?

Episcopalians sometimes stand, sit or kneel during the service – in fact, different Episcopalians do things differently! The bulletin will suggest standing, sitting or kneeling during different places in the service, but do what you are most comfortable with and what your physical condition allows. We guarantee that someone else will be doing it too!

May I receive communion?

All baptized Christians, regardless of their religious tradition, are welcome to receive communion in the Episcopal Church, including children of all ages.

How do I receive communion?

To receive communion, come forward down the center aisle when the usher invites you to. To receive the bread, lay one hand over the other, forming a cross. The bread will be placed in your hand. Consume the bread and when the chalice is presented, grasp the chalice lightly at the foot and guide it to your lips to drink the wine. Another option is to dip the bread in the wine and then consume it. Return to your pew by the side aisle after you have received.

What if I am unbaptized or uncomfortable receiving communion?

If you aren't a baptized Christian or if you are uncomfortable receiving communion for any reason, you are encouraged to come to God's altar for a blessing. Simply come forward and cross your arms over your chest. This lets the celebrant know that you would like to receive a blessing rather than the sacrament. Once you have received your blessing, you can return to your pew down the side aisle.

How can I find out more about St. James?

The most comprehensive way to find out more about St. James is to visit our website www.stjamesgreenville.org. There you will find information about our ministries, leadership and programs. However, the best way to find out more about St. James is to ask! We would love to get to know you better and share with you why St. James is our spiritual home – just ask one of us! If you prefer, you can fill out a visitor card in the pew and a member of the clergy will be in touch.

You can also fill out an online visitor card at the following link:

<https://www.stjamesgreenville.org/online-visitor-card>

THE HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

*Please turn off all cellular phones and similar devices.
Be mindful that this service is being live-streamed; the camera and microphones are live during the prelude
and until the end of the postlude.
Children are welcome at all services.*

Prelude

O Wondrous Type! O Vision Fair

Herbert Murrill

THE WORD OF GOD

All stand.

Processional Hymn

O wondrous type! O vision fair

Hymn 137

Opening Acclamation

Book of Common Prayer (BCP) 299

The people standing, the Celebrant says

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

The Collect for Purity

A Song of Praise

Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers

Hymn S 236

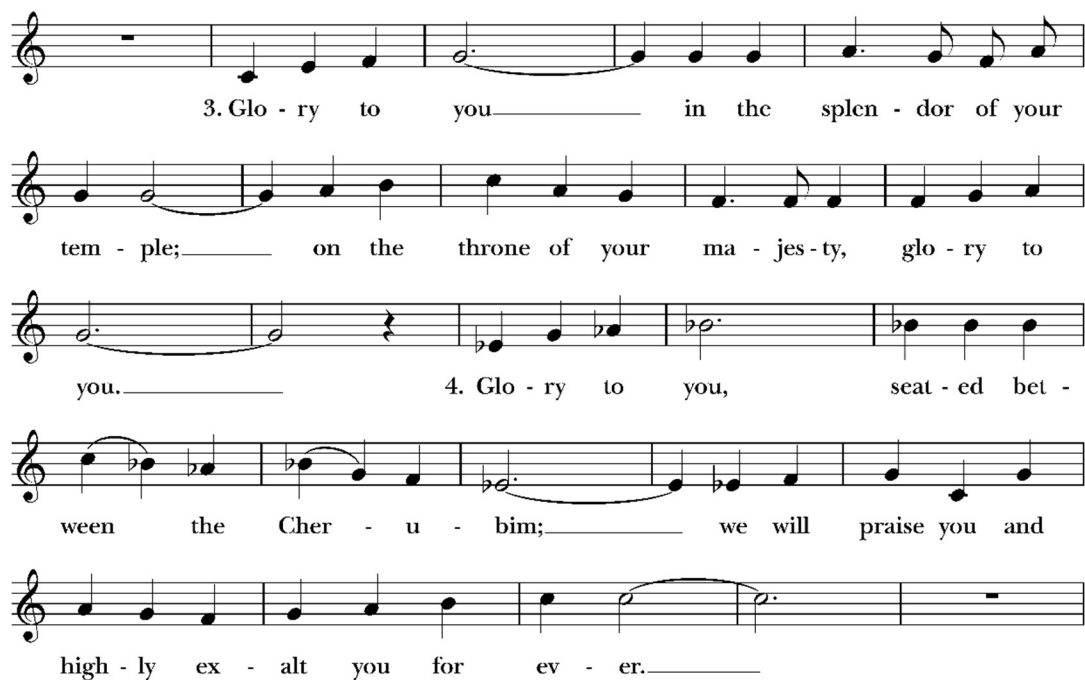
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glo - ry to you. 2. Glo - ry to you

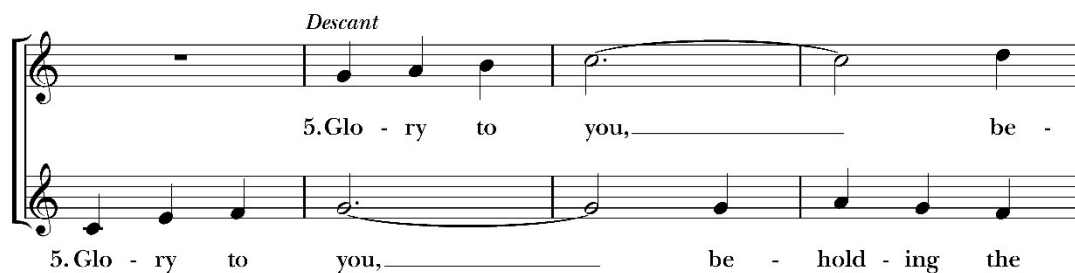
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praise you and high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er.

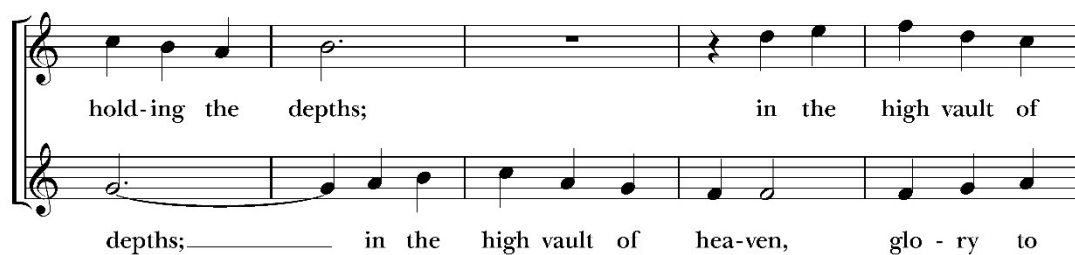


3. Glo - ry to you in the splen - dor of your
tem - ple; on the throne of your ma - jes - ty, glo - ry to
you. 4. Glo - ry to you, seat - ed bet -
ween the Cher - u - bim; we will praise you and
high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er.

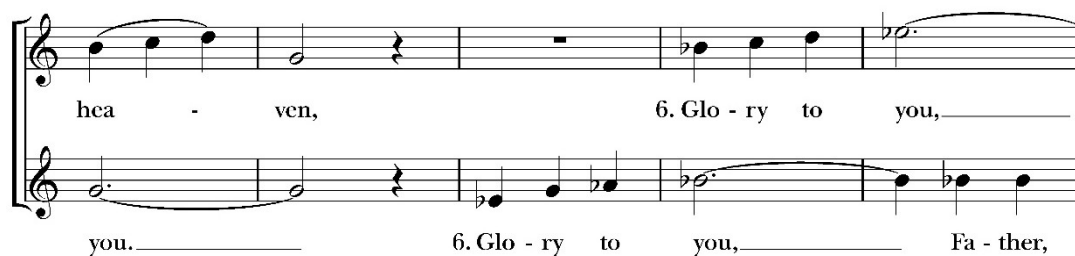
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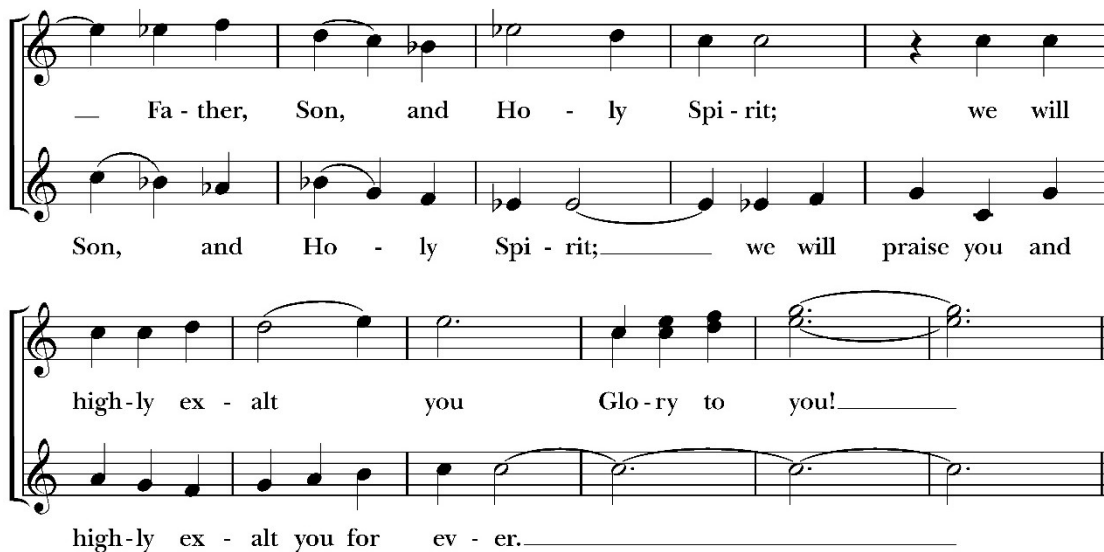
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depths; in the high vault of hea - ven, glo - ry to



hea - ven, 6. Glo - ry to you,
you. 6. Glo - ry to you, Fa - ther,



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The Collect of the Day

The Celebrant says to the people

The Lord be with you.

People

And also with you.

Celebrant

Let us pray.

O God, who before the passion of your only begotten Son revealed his glory upon the holy mountain: Grant to us that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may be strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

All are seated.

The First Reading

Exodus 24:12-18

The Lord said to Moses, “Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction.” So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. To the elders he had said, “Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them.”

Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. The glory of the Lord settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. Now the appearance of the glory of the Lord was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

The Word of the Lord

People

Thanks be to God

All remain seated.

Psalm 99 *Dominus regnavit*



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- 1 The Lord is King;
let the people / tremble; *
he is enthroned upon the cherubim;
let the earth / shake.
- 2 The Lord is great in / Zion; *
he is high above all / peoples.
- 3 Let them confess his Name, which is great and / awesome; *
he is the / Holy One.
- 4 "O mighty King, lover of justice,
you have established / equity; *
you have executed justice and righteousness in / Jacob."
- 5 Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God
and fall down before his / footstool; *
he is the / Holy One.
- 6 Moses and Aaron among his priests,
and Samuel among those who call upon his / Name, *
they called upon the Lord, and he / answered them.
- 7 He spoke to them out of the pillar of / cloud; *
they kept his testimonies and the decree that he / gave them.
- 8 O Lord our God, you answered them in-/deed; *
you were a God who forgave them,
yet punished them for their evil / deeds.
- 9 Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God
and worship him upon his holy / hill; *
for the Lord our God is the / Holy One.

The Second Reading

2 Peter 1:16-21

We did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honor and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, “This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.” We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain.

So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one’s own interpretation, because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

People The Word of the Lord
 Thanks be to God

All stand.

Sequence Hymn

O Light of Light, Love given birth

Hymn 133

All remain standing.

The Gospel

Matthew 17:1-9

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

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. Then Peter said to Jesus, “Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.” While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, “This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!” When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, “Get up and do not be afraid.” And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone.

As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, “Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead.”

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

All are seated.

The Sermon

The Rev. David Pittman

The Nicene Creed

All stand and together say

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

O Christ, you are Light from Light eternal. Like the bright star that welcomed your birth, equip your Church throughout the world to proclaim your presence in our midst.

Hear us, Holy One.

O Christ, you oppose the proud but give grace to the humble; you thwarted the plans of Herod and claimed the vulnerable childhood of a refugee. Grant our leaders true strength in wise humility.

Hear us, Holy One.

O Christ, the Magi presented their treasures to you. Make us generous with our gifts, that we may use our treasures for the welfare of your world and the glory of your name.

Hear us, Holy One.

O Christ, you called unexpected followers away from their boats and nets. Grant us grace to follow you as your disciples. We pray especially for all who are in discernment and formation for ministry.

Hear us, Holy One.

O Christ, you went all through Galilee, proclaiming the good news and liberating those in bondage. Grant your healing grace to all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, that they may know life abundant.

Hear us, Holy One.

O Christ, heaven and earth met as the Spirit descended at your baptism. May all who have been baptized into your death and resurrection know the Spirit's comfort. We pray for all the departed, especially those we now name silently or aloud. (*Pause*). May light perpetual shine upon them.

Hear us, Holy One.

O Christ, you shone in radiant glory upon the mountain and were revealed as the Beloved. Grant us grace to behold your splendor and make your love visible.

Hear us, Holy One.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

The Confession & Absolution

The Deacon or Celebrant says

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.

The Celebrant offers the absolution.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Anthem

Transfiguration

Joel Martinson

We have come at Christ's own bidding to this high and holy place,
Where we wait with hope and longing for some token of God's grace.
Here we pray for new assurance that our faith is not in vain,
Searching like those first disciples for a sign both clear and plain.

Light breaks in upon our darkness, splendor bathes the flesh-joined Word,
Moses and Elijah marvel as the heavenly voice is heard.
Eyes and hearts behold with wonder how the Law and Prophets meet:
Christ, with garments drenched in brightness, stands transfigured and complete.

Strengthened by this glimpse of glory, fearful lest our faith decline,
We like Peter find it tempting to remain and build a shrine.
But true worship gives us courage to proclaim what we profess,
That our daily lives may prove us people of the God we bless.

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All stand.

Presentation Hymn

Christ upon the mountain peak

Hymn 129

The Great Thanksgiving *Eucharistic Prayer B*

Hymn S120

The People remain standing.

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 proceeds

Sanctus

Hymn S 127


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

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The people remain standing or kneel.

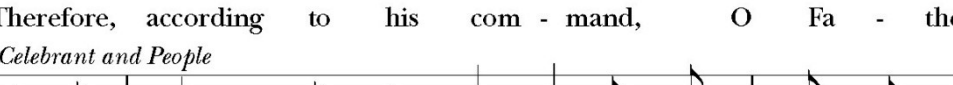
Memorial Acclamation

Celebrant




Therefore, according to his com - mand, O Fa - ther,

Celebrant and People



We re - mem - ber his death, We pro - claim his re - sur -



rec - tion, We a - wait his com - ing in glo - ry.

...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.**

Celebrant *People*

A-men.

The Lord's Prayer

BCP 364/*Hymn S 119*


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


Hymn S 172

Antiphon
Cantor; then All




Bles - sed are those who are called to the Sup - per of the Lamb.

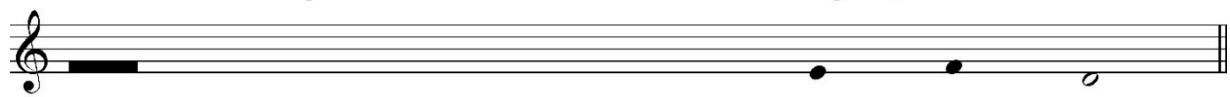
Cantor



Praise the Lord, all you nations; laud him, all you peo - ples.



For his loving - kindness toward us is great, and the



faithfulness of the Lord endures for ev - er. [Ant.]

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Baptized Christians of all ages are invited to receive the sacrament.

All are welcome to come forward to God's altar for a blessing.

At this time parents are encouraged to pick up their children in the nursery and come forward as a family.

At Communion

Let all mortal flesh keep silence

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart

Hymn 324

Hymn 488

After Communion, the People standing or kneeling, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

**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.**

Sending Forth of Eucharistic Visitors

Celebrant In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's Body and Blood.

People **We who are many are one body, for we all share one bread, one cup.**

The Blessing

Processional Hymn

Alleluia! sing to Jesus!

Hymn 460

Dismissal

The Deacon, or the Celebrant, dismisses the people and they respond.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Hymn Prelude on 'Hyfrydol'

Ralph Vaughan Williams
Setting of Hymn 460

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