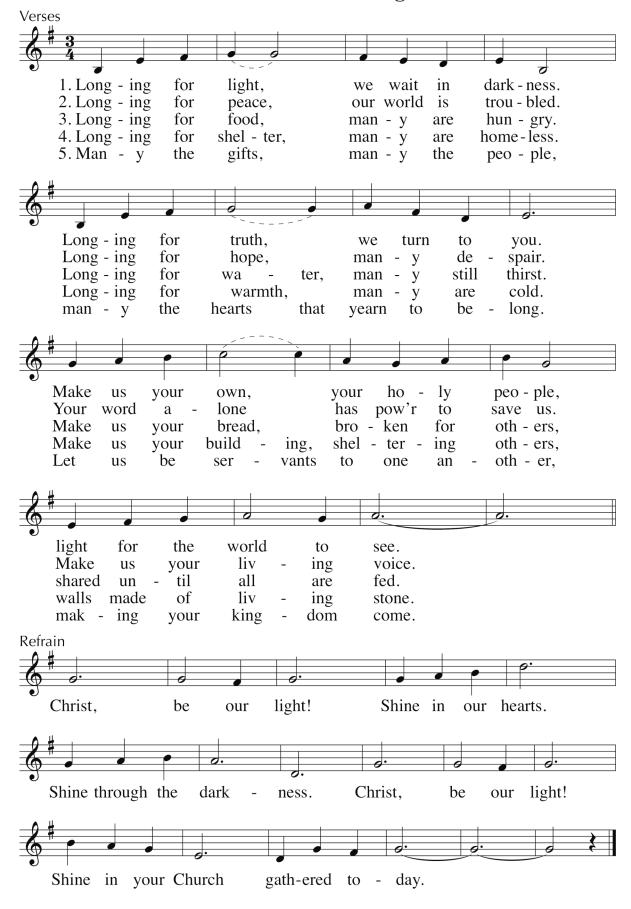


## Introductory Rites

#### **ENTRANCE SONG**

### Christ, Be Our Light!









## Liturgy of the Word

First Reading......Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18

The LORD is a God of justice, who knows no favorites. Though not unduly partial toward the weak, yet he hears the cry of the oppressed. The Lord is not deaf to the wail of the orphan, nor to the widow when she pours out her complaint. The one who serves God willingly is heard; his petition reaches the heavens. The prayer of the lowly pierces the clouds; it does not rest till it reaches its goal, nor will it withdraw till the Most High responds, judges justly and affirms the right, and the Lord will not delay.

### Psalm 34: The Cry of the Poor



The Lord hears the cry of the poor. Bless-ed be the Lord.

### Verses

- 1. I will bless the Lord at all times, with praise ever in my mouth. Let my soul glory in the Lord, who will hear the cry of the poor.
- 2. Let the lowly hear and be glad: the Lord listens to their pleas; and to hearts broken, God is near, who will hear the cry of the poor.
- 3. Every spirit crushed, God will save; will be ransom for their lives; will be safe shelter for their fears, and will hear the cry of the poor.
- 4. We proclaim your greatness, O God, your praise ever in our mouth; every face brightened in your light, for you hear the cry of the poor.

Beloved: I am already being poured out like a libation, and the time of my departure is at hand. I have competed well; I have finished the race; I have kept the faith. From now on the crown of righteousness awaits me, which the Lord, the just judge, will award to me on that day, and not only to me, but to all who have longed for his appearance. At my first defense no one appeared on my behalf, but everyone deserted me. May it not be held against them! But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the proclamation might be completed and all the Gentiles might hear it. And I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil threat and will bring me safe to his heavenly kingdom. To him be glory forever and ever. Amen.



Jesus addressed this parable to those who were convinced of their own righteousness and despised everyone else. "Two people went up to the temple area to pray; one was a Pharisee and the other was a tax collector. The Pharisee took up his position and spoke this prayer to himself, 'O God, I thank you that I am not like the rest of humanity -- greedy, dishonest, adulterous -- or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week, and I pay tithes on my whole income.' But the tax collector stood off at a distance and would not even raise his eyes to heaven but beat his breast and prayed, 'O God, be merciful to me a sinner.' I tell you, the latter went home justified, not the former; for whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted."

### HOMILY

#### THE NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father almighty,

maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God,

born of the Father before all ages.

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,

begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,

he suffered death and was buried,

and rose again on the third day 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.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,

who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.

I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins

and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead

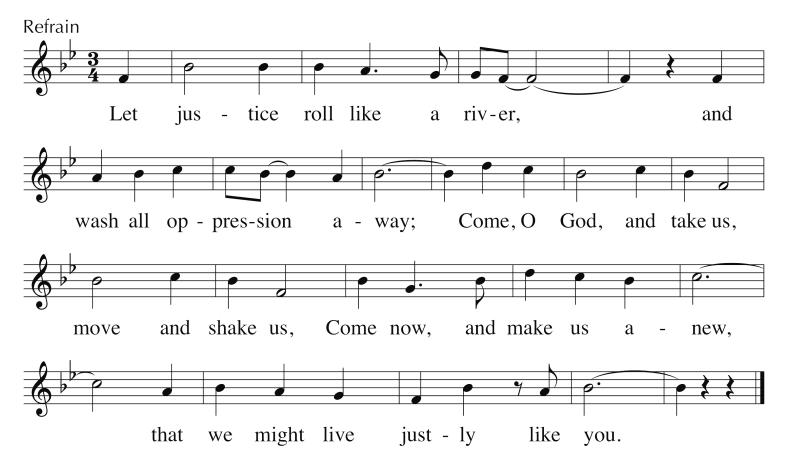
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

### PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

## Liturgy of the Eucharist

### Preparation of the Altar

### Let Justice Roll Like a River



#### Verses

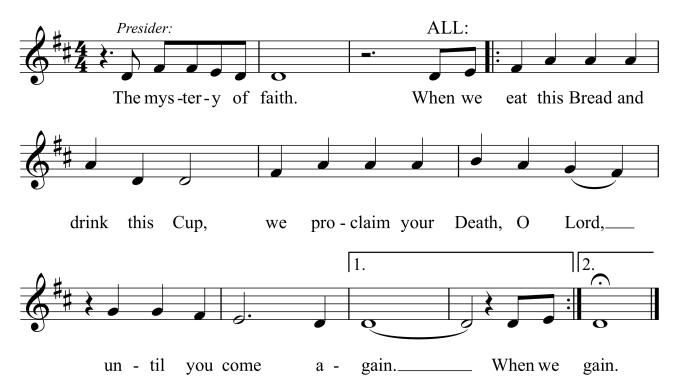
- 1. Take from me your holy feasts, all your off'rings and your music; Let justice flow like waters, and integrity like an ever-flowing stream.
- 2. How long shall we wait, O God, for the day of your mercy to dawn, the day we beat our swords into ploughs, when your peace reigns over the earth?
- 3. Hear this, all of you who use the poor in your thirst of power and riches: the Lord will turn your laughter to tears, on the wondrous Day of our God.
- 4. Even now return to me, let your hearts be broken and humble, for I am gracious, gen'rous and kind; come and seek the mercies of God.
- 5. You have been told the way of life, the way of justice and peace; to act justly, to love gently, and walk humbly with God.

### Sanctus



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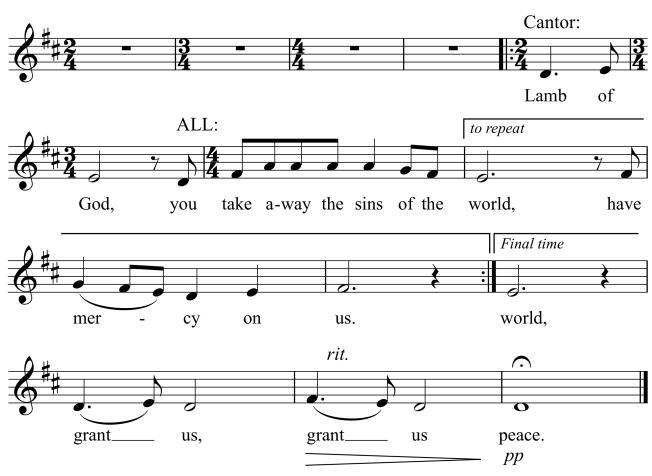
### Amen



THE LORD'S PRAYER
SIGN OF PEACE

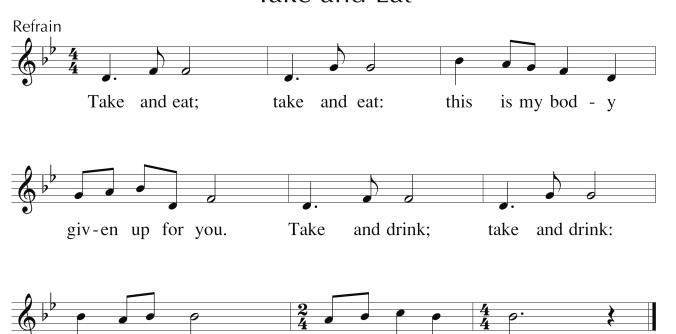
### Agnus Dei

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### **HOLY COMMUNION**

### Take and Eat



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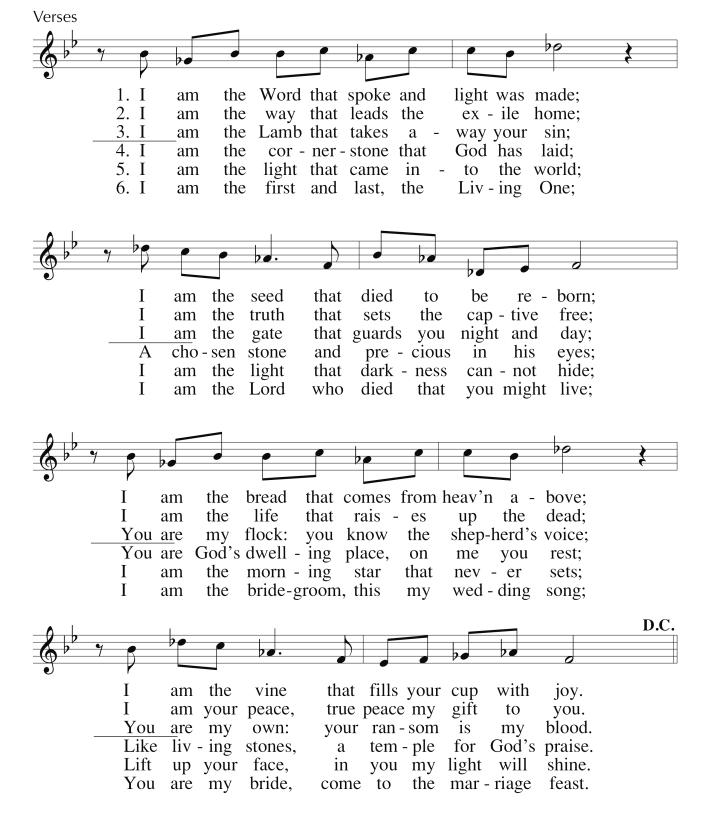
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#### SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You.

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

## Concluding Rite

#### FINAL BLESSING

**DISMISSAL** 

#### St. Michael Prayer

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the snares and the wickedness of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, By the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the earth seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

### All People That on Earth Do Dwell

