# HOLY EUCHARIST

Feast of the Reign of Christ Stewardship Ingathering Sunday Proper 29

ST. PAUL'S ON THE GREEN | NOVEMBER 23, 2025 - 9:00AM & II:00AM

PRELUDE

Fanfare for Organ (Psalm 81, vs. 1-3) - John Cook (1918-1984)

Please stand as the bell sounds.





Words: Matthew Bridges (1800–1894)

Music: Diademata, George Job Elvey (1816–1893); desc. Richard Proulx (b. 1937)w

### THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

#### The Celebrant intones

Blessed be the one, holy, and living God, who gathers all things in their fullness.

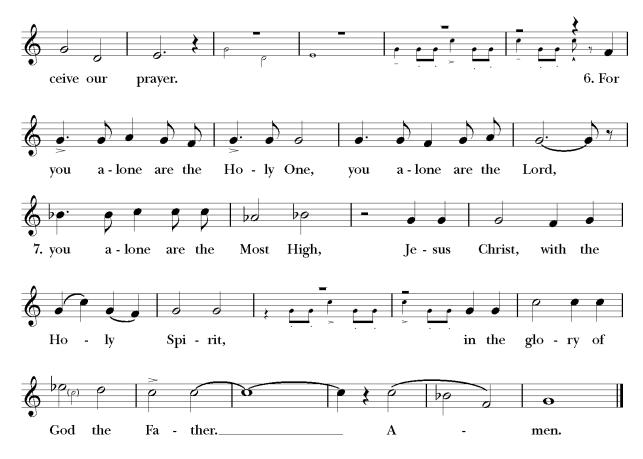
## The People respond



Glory to God for - ev - er and ev - er.

#### GLORIA





Music: William Mathias (b. 1934)

#### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Celebrant intones

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

O God, you gave us your Son, the beloved one who was rejected, the Savior who appeared defeated. Yet the mystery of his reign illumines our lives. Show us in his death the victory that crowns the ages, and in his broken body the love that unites heaven and earth. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever.

Amen.

THE LESSON seated Jeremiah 23:1-6

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the Lord. Therefore thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the Lord. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the Lord. The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness."

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the People.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM Psalm 46:1-8



At 9:00am, the first verse is intoned by the Cantor, then by all on this tone At 11:00am, the Psalm is sung by the Choir.

God is our re-|fuge and strength, \* a very present | help in trouble.

Therefore we will not fear, though the | earth be moved, \* and though the mountains be toppled into the depths | of the sea;

Though its waters | rage and foam, \* and though the mountains tremble | at its tumult.

The God of hosts | is with us; \* the God of Jacob | is our stronghold.

There is a river whose streams make glad the | city of God, \* the holy habitation of | the Most High.

God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be | overthrown; \* God shall help it at the | break of day.

The nations make much ado, and the | realms are shaken; \* God has spoken, and the earth shall | melt away.

The God of hosts | is with us; \* the God of Jacob | is our stronghold.

Anglican Chant: Percy Buck

THE EPISTLE Colossians 1:11-20

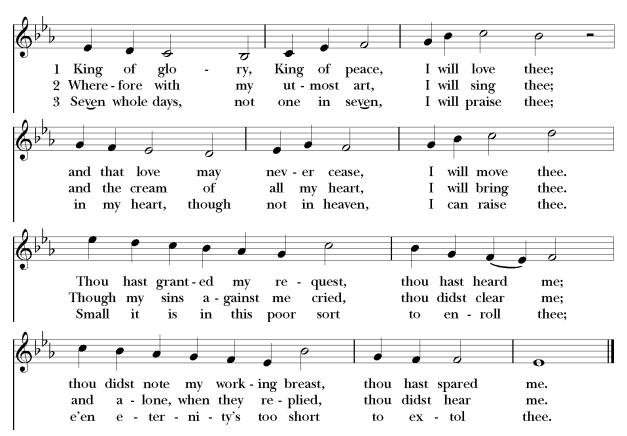
May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers-- all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the People.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL HYMN standing, all turn toward the Gospel as it is brought among the People.

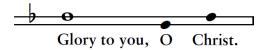
Hymn 382



Words: George Herbert (1593-1633)

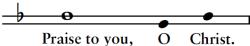
Music: General Seminary, David Charles Walker (b. 1938)

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



When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing." And they cast lots to divide his clothing. The people stood by, watching Jesus on the cross; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews." One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

The Gospel of the Lord.



SERMON

The Rev. Daniel Simons and The Rev. Paul Carling

The Nicene Creed is not used at this service.

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

With Mary we say, My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, and so we lift our prayers for the church, the world, and all in need.

For the church: That our lives may magnify your love, our giving reflect your generosity, our joy make you known.

God of mercy, hear our prayer.

For this community: That our offerings of time, talent, and treasure, become a song of thanksgiving, a witness to abundance, and a gift that blesses far beyond our sight.

God of blessing, hear our prayer.

For the world: That the lowly be lifted up, the hungry filled, the powerful turned toward justice, and the earth itself cherished as holy.

God of justice, hear our prayer.

For those in need: That the sick may find healing, the anxious peace, the grieving comfort, the forgotten dignity.

Please add your own prayers, aloud or in silence.

God of compassion, hear our prayer.

For all who have died: That their souls, now at rest, may join Mary's everlasting song of praise. *Please add your own prayers, aloud or in silence.* 

God of life, hear our prayer.

The Celebrant concludes

God of abundance, you have done great things for us, and holy is your name. Receive our prayers and make of us a living song of praise, through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

#### THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Please share a sign of peace with those around you.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS seated

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## Jubilate from Morning and Evening Service in B-flat

C.V. Stanford (1852 – 1924)

O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands:

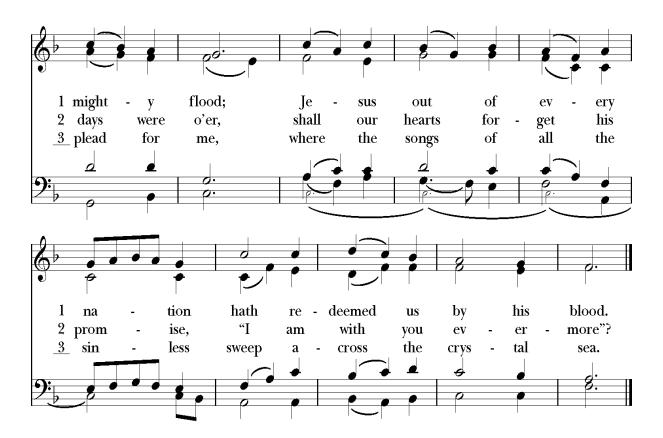
Serve the Lord with gladness, and come before his presence with a song

Be ye sure that the Lord he is God; it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture

O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise; be thankful unto him, and speak good of his Name

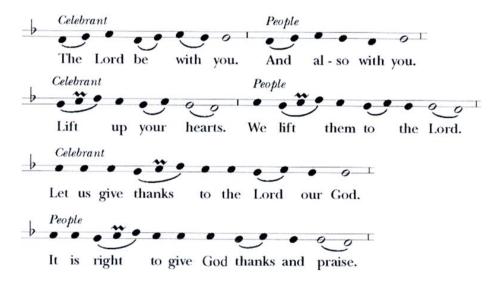
For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting; and his truth endureth from generation to generation





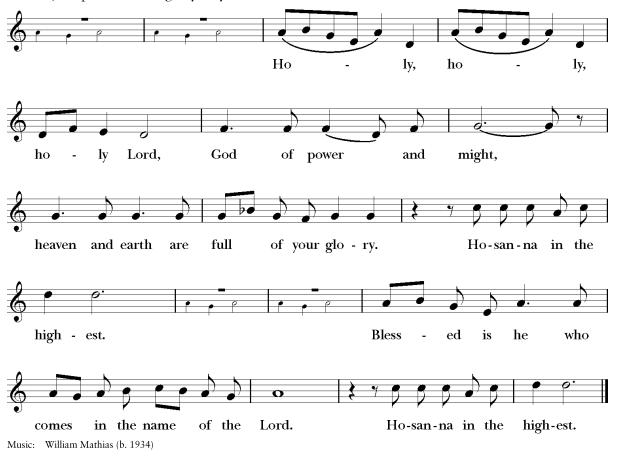
Words: William Chatterton Dix (1837–1898) Music: *Hyfrydol*, Rowland Hugh Prichard (1811–1887)

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give you thanks, holy and gracious God, sovereign of all creation, source of every harvest and giver of every gift. You gather the scattered and make whole what is broken; you scatter the proud and lift up the lowly. We rejoice that Christ reigns among us, the fullness of your love made flesh, in whom all things find their home and all creation its song.

And so, with Mary and all who sing your praise, with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven, we proclaim the glory of your name:



#### The Celebrant continues

Blessed are you, gracious God, for the gift of your Son, Jesus Christ, the first and the last, the center of all things. In him you have shown us the riches of your mercy and the measure of your love. He gathers us from every place, redeems what we have squandered, and offers the abundance of your kingdom.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends, 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be for us the Body and Blood of Christ. Send your Spirit upon us also, that gathered into his reign of mercy and peace, we may live as stewards of your abundance, faithful in prayer, generous in love, and fearless in witness, until the hungry are filled, the lowly are lifted up, and Christ is all in all.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever.

People

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray:



#### THE COMMUNION

The Celebrant breaks the bread and invites the People to Communion, saying

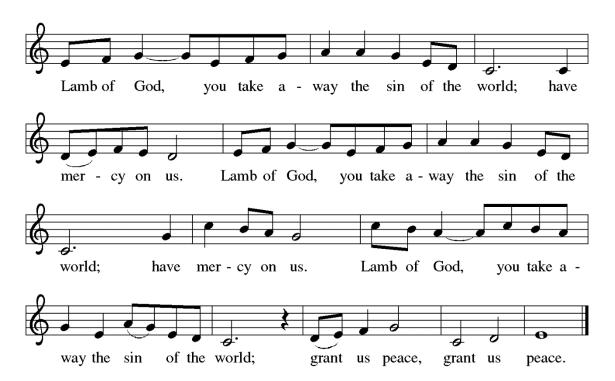
The bread we break is Christ's body, given for the life of the world.

## Glory to God, who gives without measure.

Everyone is welcome, without exception, to receive the bread and wine of Communion. Please follow the direction of the ushers. Gluten-free bread is available upon request; grape juice is available in the blue-dot cups at the side altars. (For the health of all, we are no longer dipping the bread into the chalice wine by hand.)

Healing prayer is available in the side aisles for those wishing to pray with someone for any need in their lives.

All sing as the distribution of Communion begins:



Setting: ELW Setting One S112

## For the Beauty of the Earth

Peter Niedmann (b. 1960)

For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies, for the love which from our birth over and around us lies; Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

For the beauty of each hour of the day and of the night, hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon, and stars of light; Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's delight, for the mystic harmony, linking sense to sound and sight; Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child, friends on earth and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild; Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

For thy church, that evermore lifteth holy hands above, offering up on every shore her pure sacrifice of love; Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

For thyself, best Gift Divine, to the world so freely given, for that great, great love of thine, peace on earth, and joy in heaven: Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

#### THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION standing

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

#### SENDING FORTH OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

When Lay Eucharistic Visitors are sent out to bring the Sacrament to the sick or homebound, the following charge is given.

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.

The People respond

We, who are many, are one body, because we all share one bread and one cup.

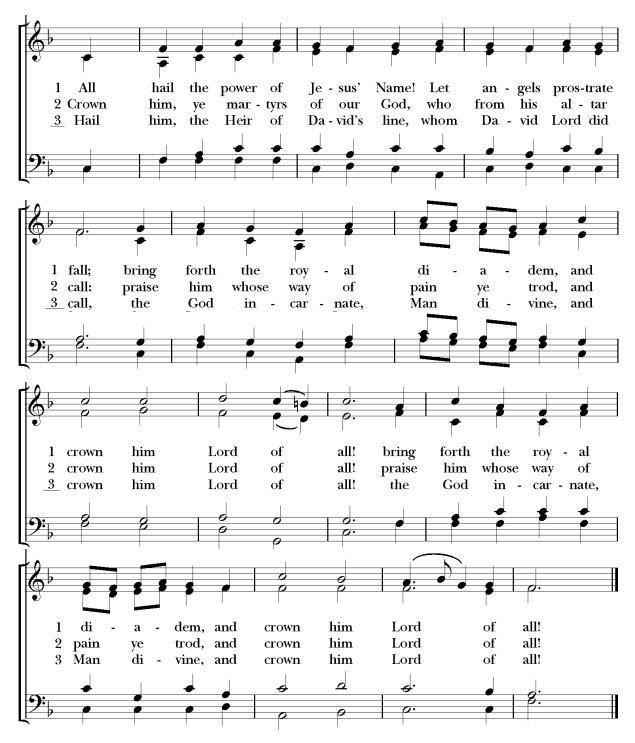
#### THE BLESSING

The Priest blesses the People with these or other words

May God, who gives without measure, fill your hearts with gratitude, your hands with generosity, and your lives with abundant joy.

And the blessing of God Almighty: Source of all Being, Incarnate Word, and Abiding Spirit, be upon you and remain with you, now and forever.

Amen.



Words: Edward Perronet (1726–1792), alt.
Music: Coronation, Oliver Holden (1765–1844), alt.; desc. Michael E. Young (b. 1939)

# THE DISMISSAL

Let us go forth into the world, offering our lives as a song of praise.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Fugue in G Major BWV 541 – J.S. Bach (1685 – 1750)

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