

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

FULL TEXT

Proper 14 in Ordinary Time

ST. PAUL'S ON THE GREEN

AUGUST 9, 2026 – 9:00AM & 11:00AM

PRELUDE

Folk Tune – Percy W. Whitlock (1903 – 1946)

Please stand as the bell sounds.

HYMN IN PROCESSION

Hymn 428

1 O all ye works of God, now come to thank him
2 O sun and moon and stars of heaven, your end - less
3 O heat and cold, O night and day, O storms and

1 and a - dore; O an - gels, sing and
2 praise out - pour; O chang - ing sea - sons,
3 thun - der's roar, O fields and for - ests,

1 bless the Lord and praise him ev - er - more.
2 bless the Lord and praise him ev - er - more.
3 bless the Lord and praise him ev - er - more.

6 So let us glorify and bless
the God we bow before,
the Father, Holy Spirit, Son,
and praise him evermore.

Words: F. Bland Tucker (1895–1984), rev.; para. of *A Song of Creation*

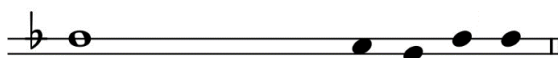
Music: *Irish*, melody from *Hymns and Sacred Poems*, 1749; harm. *The English Hymnal*, 1906

OPENING ACCLAMATION

The Celebrant intones

Blessed be the one, holy, and living God;

The People respond



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

GLORIA

Mass in Honor of St. Cecilia

Glo - ry to God in the high - est and on earth peace to
peo - ple of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we a -
dore you, we glo - ri - fy you, we give you
thanks for your great glo - ry. Lord God, heav - en - ly
King, O God, al - might - y Fa - ther. Lord Je - sus
Christ, On - ly Be - got - ten Son. Lord God,
Lamb of God, Son of the Fa - ther, you
take a - way the sins of the world, have mer - cy on us; you
take a - way the sins of the world, re - ceive our

prayer; you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther, have
mer - cy on us. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
you a - lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the Most High,
Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,
in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Setting: *Mass in Honor of Saint Cecilia*; Richard K. Fitzgerald, Copyright; 2012, International Liturgy Publications

COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

The Celebrant prays the Collect of the Day.

God of all power, your sovereign word comes to us in Christ. When your Church is in danger, make firm our trust; when your people falter, steady our faith. Show us in Jesus your power to save, that we may always acclaim him as Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever. Amen.

At Horeb, the mount of God, Elijah came to a cave, and spent the night there. Then the word of the Lord came to him, saying, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." He said, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by." Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake; and after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." Then the Lord said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place. Whoever escapes from the sword of Hazael, Jehu shall kill; and whoever escapes from the sword of Jehu, Elisha shall kill. Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him."

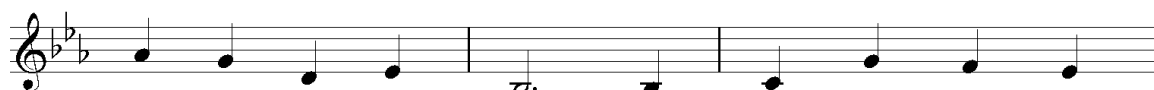
Hear what the Spirit is saying to the People.

Thanks be to God.

Words: John Greenleaf Whittier (1807–1892), alt.



1 Dear Lord and Fa - ther of man - kind, for -
 2 In sim - ple trust like theirs who heard, be -
 3 O Sab - bath rest by Gal - i - lee! O
 4 Drop thy still dews of qui - et - ness, till
 5 Breathe through the heats of our de - sire thy



1 give our fool - ish ways! Re - clothe us in our
 2 side the Syr - ian sea, the gra - cious call - ing
 3 calm of hills a - bove, where Je - sus knelt to
 4 all our striv - ings cease; take from our souls the
 5 cool - ness and thy balm; let sense be dumb, let



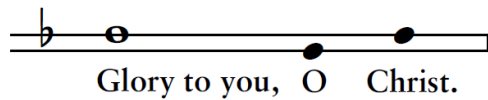
1 right - ful mind, in pur - er lives thy ser - vice find, in
 2 of the Lord, let us, like them, with - out a word, rise
 3 share with thee the si - lence of e - ter - ni - ty in -
 4 strain and stress, and let our or - dered lives con - fess the
 5 flesh re - tire; speak through the earth - quake, wind, and fire, O



1 deep - er rev - erence, praise, in deep - er rev - erence, praise.
 2 up and fol - low thee, rise up and fol - low thee.
 3 ter - pret - ed by love! in - ter - pret - ed by love!
 4 beau - ty of thy peace, the beau - ty of thy peace.
 5 still, small voice of calm, O still, small voice of calm.

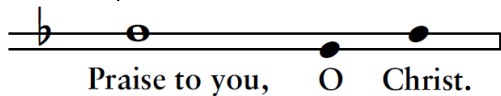
Music: *Repton*, Charles Hubert Hastings Parry, (1848–1918), alt.

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



Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid." Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

The Gospel of the Lord.



SERMON

*The Rev. Paul Carling
Priest Associate*

A period of silent reflection follows the sermon.

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, She* is worshipped and glorified.

She 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.

**Holy Spirit in biblical languages is a feminine-gendered word,
and we use the feminine pronoun here to highlight that aspect of God's fullness.*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

We pray for:

THOSE IN AUTHORITY IN THE NATIONS OF THE WORLD

THOSE WHO MINISTER IN CHRIST'S NAME

THE SUFFERING AND GRIEF-STRICKEN

THE NEEDS OF OUR LOCAL COMMUNITY

OUR OWN PERSONAL NEEDS

THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

The Deacon says

Let us pray for our own needs and the needs of others.

The Intercessor says: *In your great love,*

The People respond: ***Hear us, O God.***

The Celebrant prays a concluding collect.

For those who hold authority over others, that they would be just, and merciful, and unafraid of the truth.
In your great love,

Hear us, O God.

For your church, that we would love what you love and seek what you seek.
In your great love,

Hear us, O God.

For the sick and the suffering, the grieving and the afraid, that they would know they are not abandoned.
In your great love,

Hear us, O God.

For this community, that we would bear one another's burdens, and share one another's joys.
In your great love,

Hear us, O God.

For the particular needs and thanksgivings of those gathered here, which we offer aloud or in silence...
In your great love,

Hear us, O God.

For those who have died, whom we name now aloud or in silence...
In your great love,

Hear us, O God.

[the Celebrant improvises a collect to conclude the prayers]

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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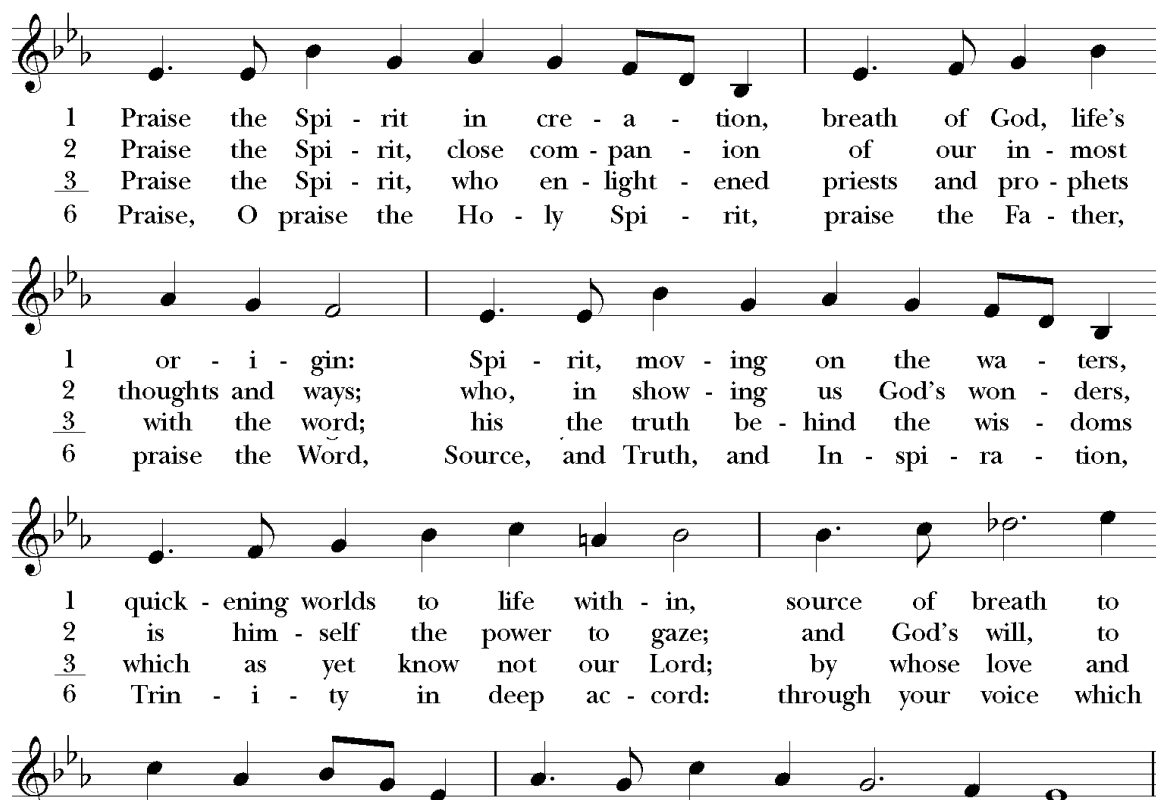
MUSIC AT THE OFFERTORY *sung by the Choir*

A Prayer of St. Richard of Chichester

L.J. White (1910 – 1973)

O holy Jesus,
most merciful redeemer,
friend and brother,
may I know thee more clearly,

love thee more dearly,
and follow thee more nearly.
Amen.



1 Praise the Spi - rit in cre - a - tion, breath of God, life's
 2 Praise the Spi - rit, close com - pan - ion of our in - most
 3 Praise the Spi - rit, who en - light - ened priests and pro - phets
 6 Praise, O praise the Ho - ly Spi - rit, praise the Fa - ther,

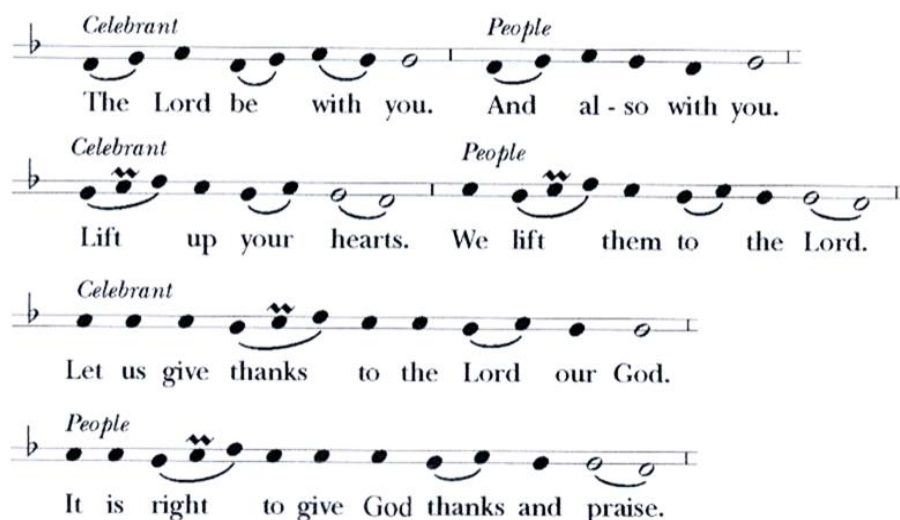
1 or - i - gin: Spi - rit, mov - ing on the wa - ters,
 2 thoughts and ways; who, in show - ing us God's won - ders,
 3 with the word; his the truth be - hind the wis - doms
 6 praise the Word, Source, and Truth, and In - spi - ra - tion,

1 quick - ening worlds to life with - in, source of breath to
 2 is him - self the power to gaze; and God's will, to
 3 which as yet know not our Lord; by whose love and
 6 Trin - i - ty in deep ac - cord: through your voice which

1 all things breath - ing, life in whom all lives be - gin.
 2 those who lis - ten by a still small voice con - veys.
 3 power, in Je - sus God him - self was seen and heard.
 6 speaks with - in us we, your crea - tures, call you Lord.

Words: Michael Hewlett (b. 1916), alt.
 Music: *Finnian*, Christopher Dearnley (b. 1930)

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



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 God thanks and praise.

The prayer continues until

We give you thanks, O God, for you made us in your image
and called us to live in your love.
When we wandered far off, you sought us;
when we could not return, you came to us in Jesus,
who lived our life, died our death, and opened to us the way of 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:

SANCTUS



Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts.



Heav - en 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 prayer continues until

Holy and gracious God, in Jesus you came among us
and gave yourself for the life of the world.

On the night before he died for us, he took bread,
gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said,
"Take, eat: This is my Body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said,
"Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant,
poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins.
Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Remembering now his death and resurrection,
and looking for his coming again in glory,
we offer you these gifts from your own creation,

as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

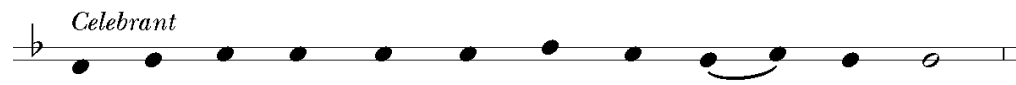
Pour out your Holy Spirit upon these gifts of bread and wine,
that they may be for us the Body and Blood of your Son.
Pour out your Spirit upon us also,
and gather into one all who share this holy food;
bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal home.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ,
all honor and glory are yours,
Source of all Being, Incarnate Word, and Abiding Spirit,
now and for ever.

Amen.

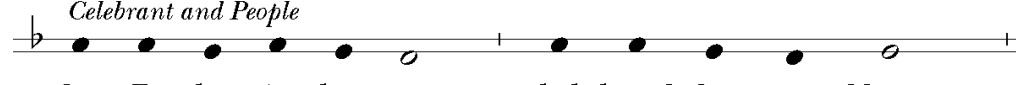
THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant

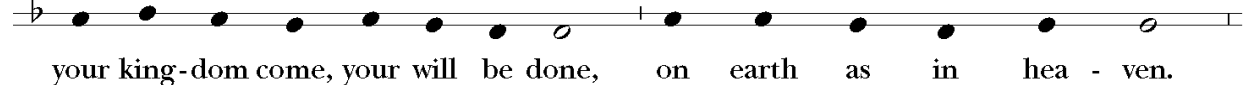


As our Sa - vior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

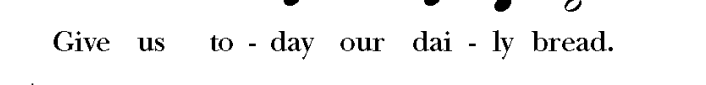
Celebrant and People



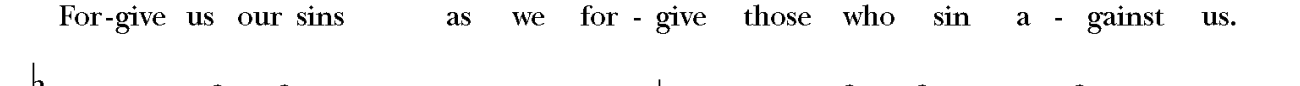
Our Fa - ther in hea - ven, hal - lowed be your Name,



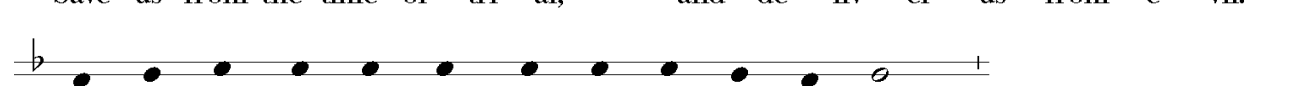
your king - dom come, your will be done, on earth as in hea - ven.



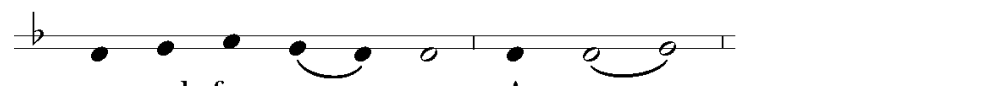
Give us to - day our dai - ly bread.



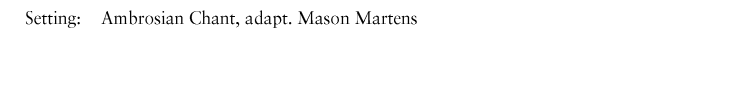
For - give us our sins as we for - give those who sin a - gainst us.



Save us from the time of tri - al, and de - liv - er us from e - vil.



For the king - dom, the power, and the glo - ry are yours,



now and for ev - er. A - men.

Setting: Ambrosian Chant, adapt. Mason Martens

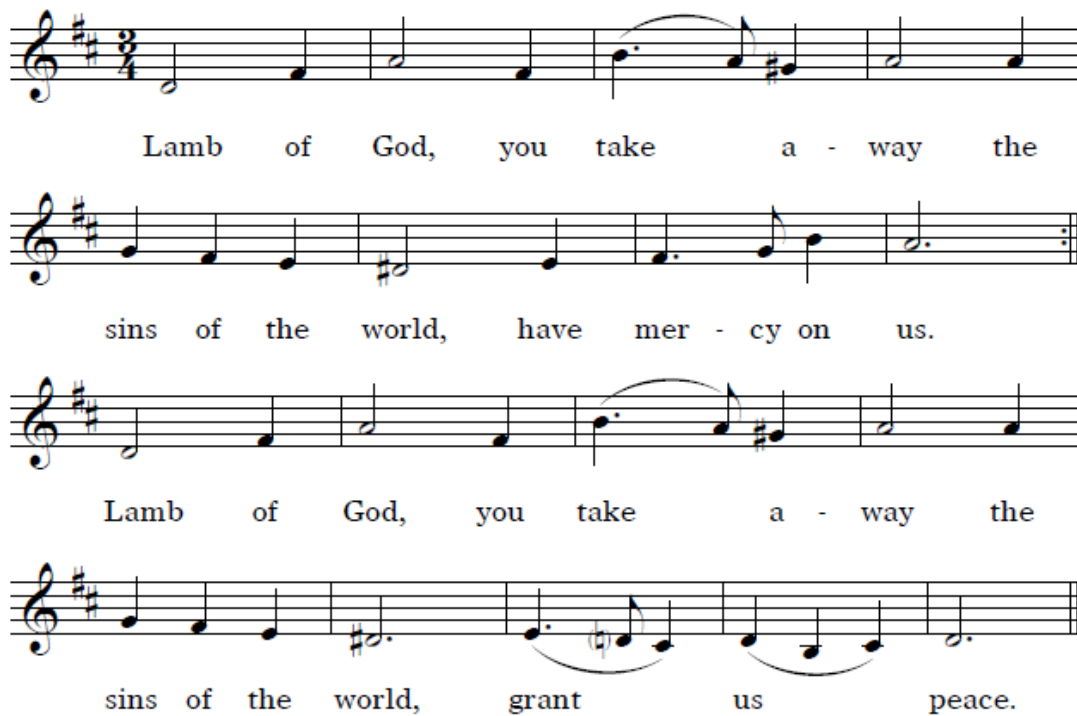
THE COMMUNION

The Celebrant breaks the bread and bids the People to Communion.

These are the gifts of God for you, the people of God.

Everyone is welcome to receive Communion. Please follow the direction of the ushers. Gluten-free bread is available upon request; non-alcoholic grape juice is available in the blue-dot cups at the side altars. If you don't wish to drink from the chalice, you may simply touch its base when it is brought to you. (For the health of all, we are no longer dipping the bread into the chalice wine by hand.)

All sing as the distribution of Communion begins:



Lamb of God, you take a - way the

sins of the world, have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the

sins of the world, grant us peace.

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MUSIC AT COMMUNION *sung by the Choir*

Lead me Lord

Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1810 – 1876)

Lead me Lord in thy righteousness, make thy
way plain before my face.
For it is thou Lord only that makest me dwell in
safety.

Lead me Lord in true holiness, teach me to love
and trust in thee.
Thou are our God, the God of our salvation, all
nations shall praise thy holy name.

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray together.

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 Celebrant sends them out:

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.

The blessing of God Almighty:

Source of all being,

Incarnate Word,

and Abiding Spirit,

be upon you and remain with you,

now and always. **Amen.**

1 O God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come,
 2 un - der the sha - dow of thy throne thy saints have dwelt se - cure;
 3 Be - fore the hills in or - der stood, or earth re - ceived her frame,

1 our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, and our e - ter - nal home:
 2 suf - fi - cient is thine arm a - lone, and our de - fense is sure.
 3 from ev - er - last - ing thou art God, to end - less years the same.

6 O God, our help in ages past,
 our hope for years to come,

be thou our guide while life shall last,
 and our eternal home.

Words: Isaac Watts (1674–1748), alt.; para. of Psalm 90

Music: *St. Anne*, melody att. William Croft (1678–1727), alt.; harm. William Henry Monk (1823–1889)

THE SENDING

Let us go forth, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

Thanks be to God.

The feasting continues! –

with coffee, cookies and conversation on the side lawn of the church.

Ask anyone near the front or rear doors and they will guide you there.

VOLUNTARY

Prelude on Darwall's 148th – Percy W. Whitlock (1903 – 1946)

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