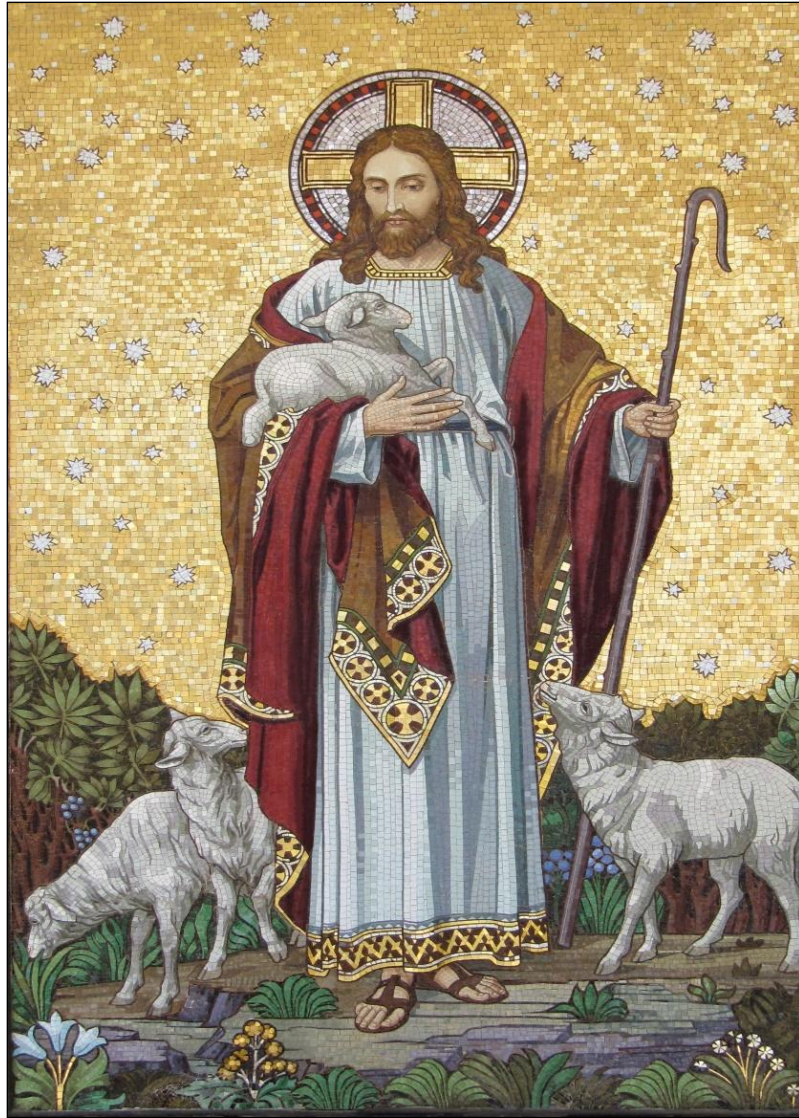




The Memorial Church of the Good Shepherd, Parkersburg

August 30, 2026 10:15AM

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

Participants in the service:

Celebrating & Preaching: The Rev. Katie Beth Miksa

Chalice: Bob Crocker

Intercessor: Linda Crocker

Director of Music: Scotty Rockhold

Lector: Toni DeVore

Welcome Center: Ava & Larry James

The Word of God

Prelude

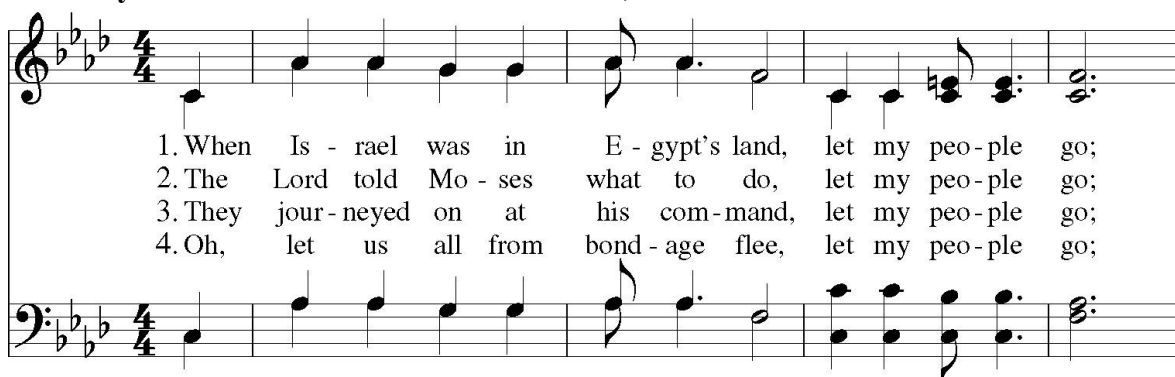
“Lift High the Cross”

arr. by Cindy Berry

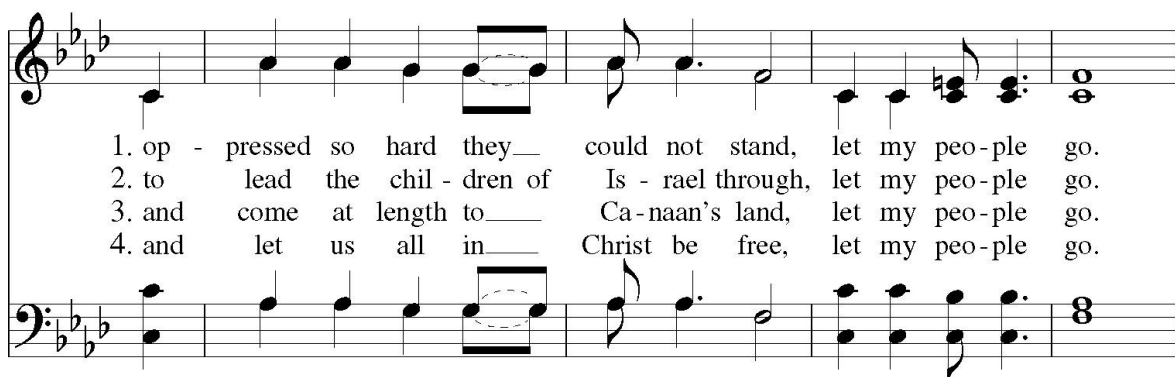
Processional Hymn

“Go down, Moses”

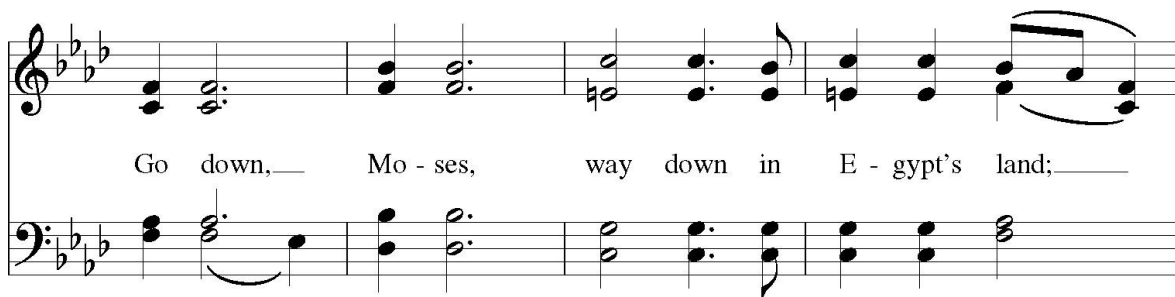
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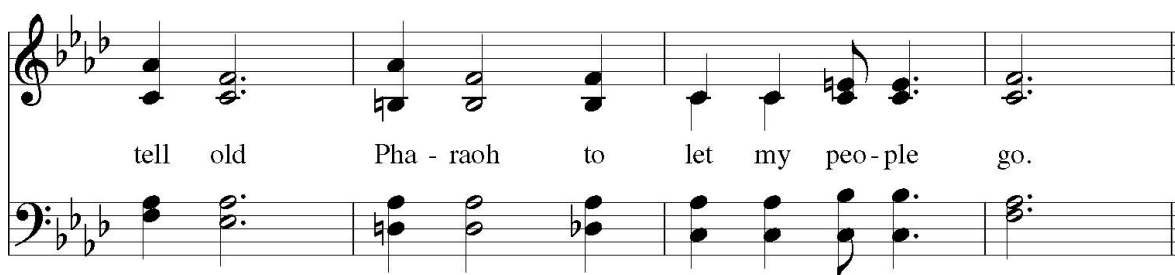
1. When Is - rael was in E - gypt's land, let my peo - ple go;
2. The Lord told Mo - ses what to do, let my peo - ple go;
3. They jour - neyed on at his com - mand, let my peo - ple go;
4. Oh, let us all from bond - age flee, let my peo - ple go;



1. op - pressed so hard they could not stand, let my peo - ple go.
2. to lead the chil - dren of Is - rael through, let my peo - ple go.
3. and come at length to Ca - naan's land, let my peo - ple go.
4. and let us all in Christ be free, let my peo - ple go.



Go down, Mo - ses, way down in E - gypt's land;



tell old Pha - raoh to let my peo - ple go.

The people standing, the Celebrant says

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Celebrant

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.**

Glo - ria_a Dios, glo - ria_a Dios,
Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God,

glo - ria_a Dios en los cie - los.
glo - ry to God in the high - est.

Paz pa - ra ti, paz pa - ra mí,
Peace be to you, peace be to me,

paz pa - ra to - da la tie - rra.
peace be to all, peace to all the earth.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

The people remain standing

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons

A Reading from the Book of Exodus (3:1-15)

Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, “I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up.” When

the Lord saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, “Moses, Moses!” And he said, “Here I am.” Then he said, “Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground.” He said further, “I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.” And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God. Then the Lord said, “I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt.”

But Moses said to God, “Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?” He said, “I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain.” But Moses said to God, “If I come to the Israelites and say to them, ‘The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,’ and they ask me, ‘What is his name?’ what shall I say to them?” God said to Moses, “I am who I am.” He said further, “Thus you shall say to the Israelites, ‘I am has sent me to you.’” God also said to Moses, “Thus you shall say to the Israelites, ‘The Lord, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you’: This is my name forever, and this my title for all generations.

Reader The word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 105:1-6, 23-26, 45c

- 1 Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name; *
 make known his deeds among the peoples.
- 2 Sing to him, sing praises to him, *
 and speak of all his marvelous works.
- 3 Glory in his holy Name; *
 let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.
- 4 Search for the Lord and his strength; *
 continually seek his face.
- 5 Remember the marvels he has done, *
 his wonders and the judgments of his mouth,
- 6 O offspring of Abraham his servant, *
 O children of Jacob his chosen.
- 23 Israel came into Egypt, *
 and Jacob became a sojourner in the land of Ham.
- 24 The Lord made his people exceedingly fruitful; *
 he made them stronger than their enemies;
- 25 Whose heart he turned, so that they hated his people, *
 and dealt unjustly with his servants.
- 26 He sent Moses his servant, *
 and Aaron whom he had chosen.
- 45 Hallelujah!

A Reading from The Letter of Paul to the Romans (12:9-21)

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice,

weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." No, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

Reader The word of the Lord.

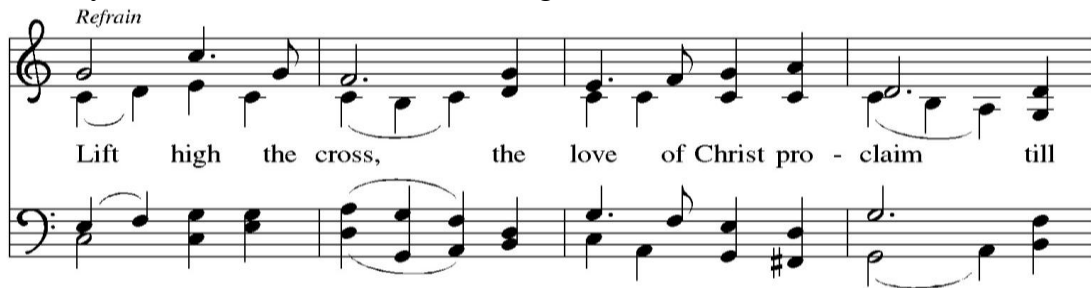
People **Thanks be to God.**

The Sequence Hymn

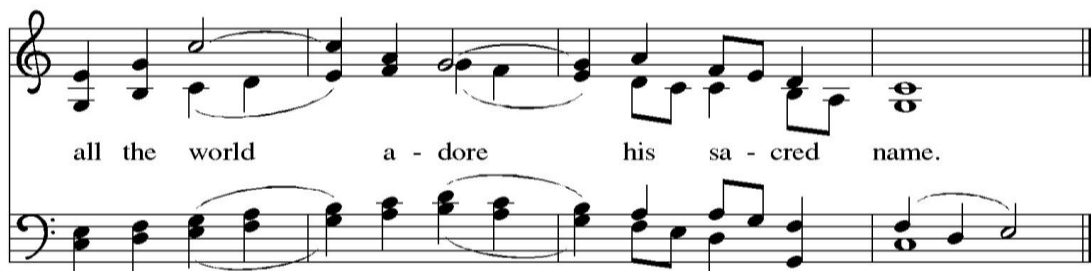
"Lift high the cross"

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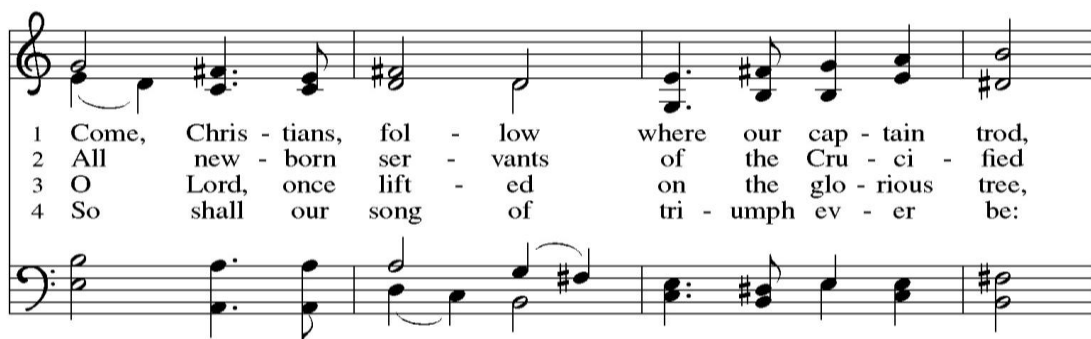
Refrain



Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim till

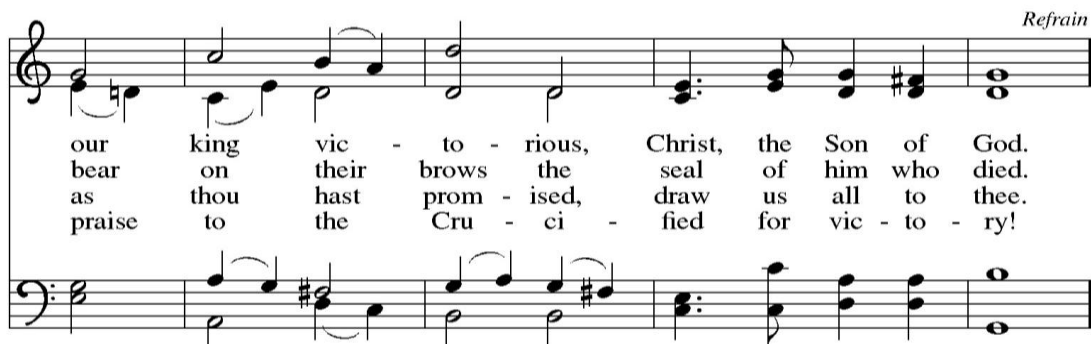


all the world a - dore his sa - cred name.



1 Come, Chris - tians, fol - low where our cap - tain trod,
 2 All new - born ser - vants of the Cru - ci - fied
 3 O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,
 4 So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be:

Refrain



our king vic - to - rious, Christ, the Son of God.
 bear on their brows the seal of him who died.
 as thou hast prom - ised, draw us all to thee.
 praise to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry!

Then, all standing, the Celebrant reads the Gospel, first saying

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew (16:21-28)

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, “God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you.” But he turned and said to Peter, “Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.” Then Jesus told his disciples, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life? “For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom.”

Reader The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Sermon

The Rev. Katie Beth Miksa

The Nicene Creed

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.

Please kneel

The Prayers of the People — adapted from Common Worship, Church of England

In faith and hope we pray:

For the Church of God. For all bishops and other ministers; and for all people of God. God of mercy,
Hear our prayer.

For those who govern, that peace and justice may prevail. For those who suffer due to violence, poverty, war, or natural disaster; may all in need of refuge find relief and safety. God of compassion,
Hear our prayer.

For the peace of the world, and the well-being of Creation. God of life,
Hear our prayer.

For this congregation and our communities, that we may be attentive to one another, and responsive to the needs of the world. God of reconciliation,

Hear our prayer.

For all that is graceful in our lives, and of those we love.

(The congregation may add your own thanksgivings silently or aloud here.)

God of joy,

Hear our prayer.

For those entrusted to our prayers, may they live in joy, peace, and health:

Good Shepherd Parish Prayer List

Victims of war and violence	Marcia Doyle – healing	Mary Gevas – healing
Flood Victims	Larry Landrith – healing	Diane Cottrill – healing
Ann Stevens– healing	Buck Harris – strength/healing	Peter Gevas – healing
Deb Hepburn-McKinney – healing	Marlene Smith - healing	Amanda Morris – healing
Jone Johnson – healing/strength	Gene Allander - healing	John Currey – healing
Angela Kelley – healing	Gary Freeman - healing	

Safety for all those serving in the Armed Forces

Donovan Burns, Sterling Slusher, Peter Keiser

Those needing healing from cancer

Mirtala Smith	Alana Dailey	John Stevens	Lois Switzer
Everett Gilmore	Faith Beha	Gary Greer	Rudi Miksa
Charles Sterchak	Ellen Faymon	Brenda Pugh	Ben Buskirk
Jeff Alkire	Courtney Rodriguez		

Concluding Collect

Celebrant

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Confession

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.

Absolution

Celebrant

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

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Announcements

The Holy Communion

Offertory Sentences

Offertory Music

“My Jesus, I Love Thee”

arr. by Carol Turnquist

Doxology Hymn #380 (vs. 3) (10:15)

Old 100th

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving — Eucharistic Prayer 1

Celebrant 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 our thanks and praise.**

Proper Preface (Celebrant)

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

Celebrant and People

Sanctus

Mass of Creation

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, God of pow-er, God of might:
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. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

The people remain standing. Then the Celebrant continues

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and 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."

As supper was ending, Jesus 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:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Celebrant continues

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and 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

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

Fraction Anthem (vs. 1 only) “All who hunger gather gladly”



1 All who hun-ger, gath-er glad - ly; ho - ly man - na is our bread.
2 All who hun-ger, nev - er strang-ers; seek - er, be a wel - come guest.
3 All who hun-ger, sing to - geth - er, Je - sus Christ is liv - ing bread.



Come from wil - der - ness and wan - d'ring. Here in truth we will be fed.
Come from rest - less - ness and roam - ing. Here in joy we keep the feast.
Come from lone - li - ness and long - ing. Here in peace we have been fed.



You that yearn for days of full-ness, all a - round us is our food.
We that once were lost and scat-tered in com - mu - nion's love have stood.
Blest are those who from this ta - ble live their days in grat-i - tude.



Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal. Taste and see that God is good.
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The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, followed by those present.

Communion Music

“How Great Thou Art”

arr. by Marcia Wells

Post Communion Hymn

"Holy Spirit"

Brian and Katie Torwalt

INTRO

A5 Dmaj7

♩ = 72

VERSE 1

A5 Dmaj7

1. There's noth-ing worth more that will ev-er come close. No thing can com-pare;

8 A5 Dmaj7

You're our liv-ing hope. Your Pres-ence.

VERSE 2

A5 Dmaj7

2. I've tast-ed and seen of the sweet-est of loves, where my heart be-comes free

16 A5 Dmaj7

and my shame is un - done, in Your Pres-ence, Lord.

CHORUS 1a

♩ A Dmaj9 Bm7

Ho-ly Spir-it, You are wel-come here; Come flood this place and fill the at-mos-phere; Your

25 1

A Dmaj9 Bm7

glo-ry, God, is what our hearts long for, to be o - ver-come by Your Pres-ence, Lord.

INTERLUDE 1

2 3

A Dmaj7 Bm7 Bm7 D.S. Bm7

Your Pres-ence, Lord. Pres-ence, Lord. Pres-ence, Lord.

INTERLUDE 2

A Dmaj7 Bm7 A

Your Pres-ence, Lord. Your Pres-ence, oh God,

BRIDGE 1a

40 Dmaj7 Bm7 A5

how we love Your Pres-ence, Lord. Let us be-come more a-ware

44

of Your Pres-ence; Let us ex-per - i-ence the glo - ry of Your good - ness.

BRIDGE 1b

Dmaj7 A/C# Bm7 A/C# Dmaj7 A/C#

Let us be-come more a-ware of Your Pres-ence; Let us ex-per - i-ence the glo-

50 Bm7 A/C# Dmaj7 A CHORUS 1b
Play 3 times
 - ry of Your good-ness. Lord. Ho-ly Spir-it, You are wel-come here; Come

55 Dmaj9 Bm7 A
 flood this place and fill the at - mos - phere; Your glo - ry, God, is what our

58 Dmaj9 Bm7 A5
 hearts long for, to be o - ver - come by Your Pres - ence, Lord.

After Communion, the Celebrant says:

Let us pray.

Post Communion Prayer

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 mysteries that 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 Blessing

Birthdays: Amber Semones

Anniversaries: Bob & Linda Crocker, John & Carol Lathrop, Sarah & Dorian Combs

Closing Hymn #397 (pg. 15)

“Now thank we all our God”

Nun danket alle Gott

The Dismissal

Celebrant Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

“Go Now in Peace” (sing 1 time together, first part of round high voices, second mid voices, third low voices)

Go now in peace;

go now in peace.

May the love of God surround you

everywhere, everywhere

you may go

Please remain for the postlude as you are able.

Postlude

Fantasia on “Nun Danket”

arr. by Hugh S. Livingston, Jr.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Altar Flowers today are given to the glory of Almighty God in celebration of the birthday of Amber Semones by Ashley.

United Thank Offering – We will begin collecting the UTO blue boxes on Sept. 13. Make sure you notice all there is to be thankful for in this last full month of summer.

Last Sunday Supper – TODAY is the Last Sunday Supper. Some of our regulars are on vacation. If you can help, we begin set-up and cooking at 1PM. If you are serving, please be here by 5:15PM to begin serving at 5:30PM.

Summer Hours are ending: Beginning this week the office is open 9AM – Noon and 1:15PM – 4PM.

Open Altar Flower dates: Oct. 18 & 25 and Nov. 8, 15, & 22. Contact Ginger in the office with your requests.

Juliets – The Juliets, women of Good Shepherd and Trinity, will meet for dinner on Sept. 1 at 6PM at Chams on Market Street. There is no agenda other than to eat and chat. Please let the office at Trinity know you are coming by calling 304-422-3362.

Come On In! The door to the office area is now unlocked during office hours since we already have volunteers posted there to help with our food ministries. Whether you are a member, a client or a visitor, you don’t need to push the buzzer for entrance unless the door is locked because our volunteer had to step away. We hope you and everyone else feels even more welcome to stop by.

Bell Tower Work – Phoenix Associates is still working on the Bell Tower repairs – the last part of our Capital Campaign. Pray for safety, good weather and no hidden surprises.

Prayers of the People – We need people to compose the prayers for the 2nd Sunday of the month for September, October and November. We can give you guidance about what to include. We would love to hear the prayers in your words. See the current issue of the “Shepherd’s Staff” for details.

Try This! – Support our church and its ministries. Scan the QR code below then use the drop-down menu to donate to our food ministries, non-food outreach, the capital campaign, other ministries or to pay your pledge. You can also visit our website to donate online.

TO GIVE



1 Now thank we all our God, with heart, and hands, and voices,
 2 O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us!
 3 All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given,

who wondrous things hath done, in whom his world rejoices;
 With ever-joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us;
 the Son, and him who reigns with them in highest heaven,

who from our mother's arms hath blessed us on our way
 and keep us in his grace, and guide us when perplexed,
 eternal, Triune God, whom earth and heaven adore;

with count-less gifts of love, and still is ours to-day.
 and free us from all ills in this world and the next.
 for thus it was, is now, and shall be, ever-more.