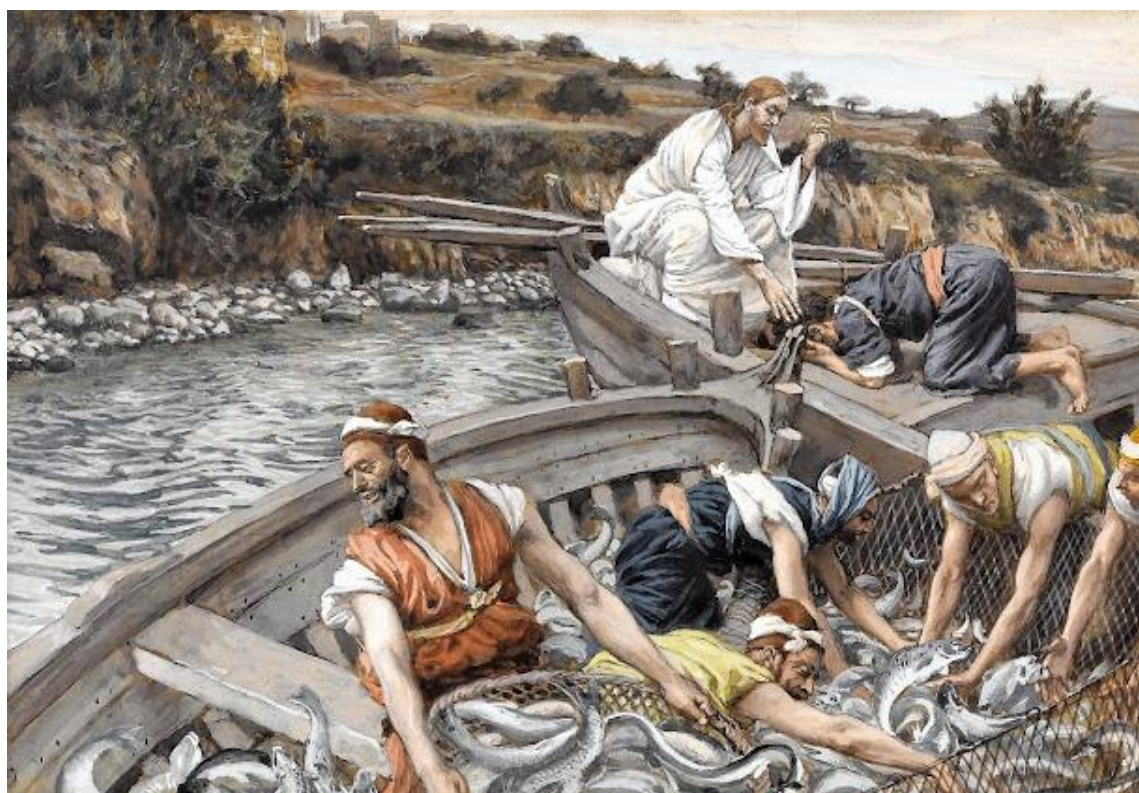


# Saint Thomas's Church

**The Third Sunday After Epiphany**

**Sunday, January 22, 2023**

**Sung Mass at 9:30 am**



Calling of Peter, James Tissot, c. 1889  
New York, Brooklyn Museum

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## Welcome!

On behalf of everyone who claims St. Thomas's as their spiritual home, we are happy you are with us, whether in person or via our livestream. If you are a visitor or newcomer, or even a longtime parishioner, but find it awkward or difficult to stand or kneel at the places indicated, remaining seated is perfectly acceptable. Please assume the posture most conducive to prayer throughout this service, or simply observe.

St. Thomas's has many peculiar ways that we cherish and are happy to share. If there seems to be no rhyme or reason for something, there might not be! But feel free to ask anyone after the service; it usually makes for entertaining conversation.

You are not obliged to engage any of us in conversation, though you should know that pretty much everyone here is happy to do so when we gather. You can always slip away without any judgement. We seem to have a lot of introverts here, so we understand the energy it takes to put yourself out there. Even if you're a raging extrovert, the experience of church can be disorienting. Relax and be yourself. Believe it or not, whether from near or far, God has led you here today. We want to honour what God is up to in your life, and we are here for you as you (re-) discover the joy and the challenge of the saving Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Fr. Nathan Humphrey, Rector

*Low gluten communion hosts are available upon request. When you approach for communion, indicate to the priest that you require a low gluten host.*

*The Altar flowers are given to the honour and glory of Almighty God:*

*Those at the High Altar are in loving memory of Margaret and Benjamin Stitt,  
and Madeline Graham by Gail Fox.*



St. Thomas's relies on the generosity of those whose offerings reflect gratitude for God's own generosity to us. To make a secure gift online, simply scan the QR code with your phone's camera app, or visit [qrco.de/smokytoms](http://qrco.de/smokytoms). Scroll to the bottom of the webpage to fill out the online form. **We no longer pass the plate, so if you want to give the old-fashioned way, an alms basin is available in the narthex.**

**Celebrant & Homilist:** Fr. Humphrey  
**Reader:** Ose Okoigun  
**Interim Director of Music & Organist:** Elizabeth Anderson

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**MUSIC OF THE MASS:** Communion Service in F, *Peter Aston*

**VOLUNTARY:** Wie schön leuchtet der Morgenstern, *Dietrich Buxtehude (1637-1707)*

### GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
and the love of God,  
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,  
be with you all.  
**And also with you.**

### COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. 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.

*The People stand.*

### GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO

*Lively*

Organ



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to his



peo-ple on earth. Lord God, heav'n-ly King,



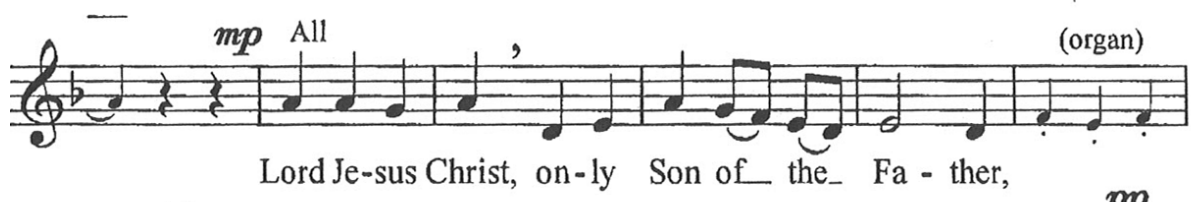
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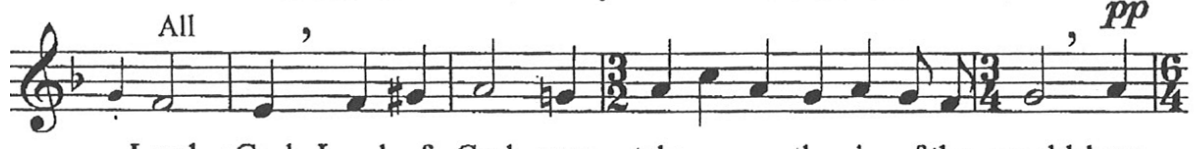
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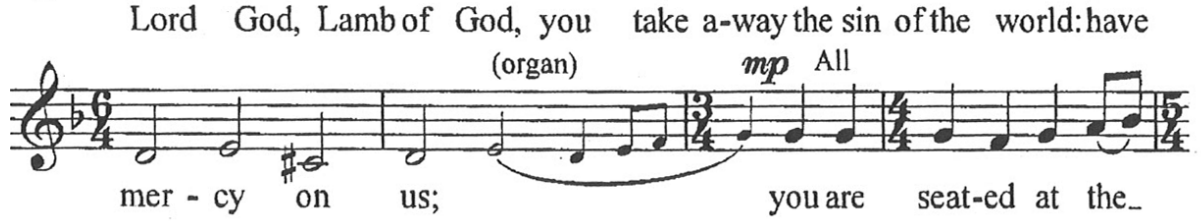
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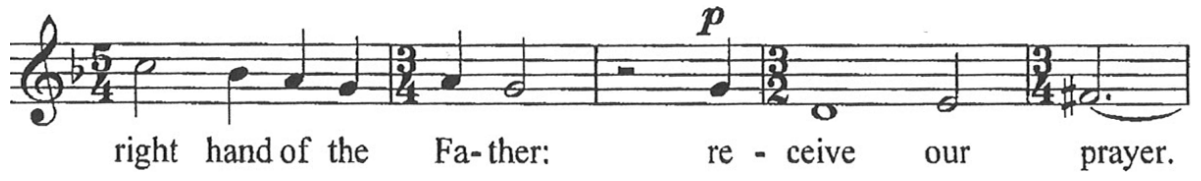
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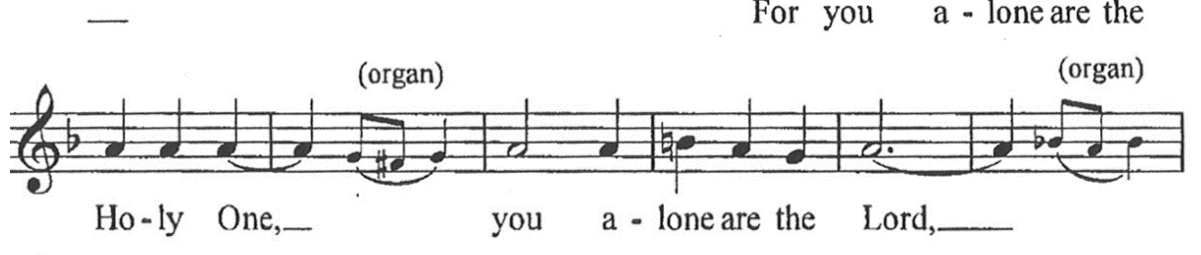
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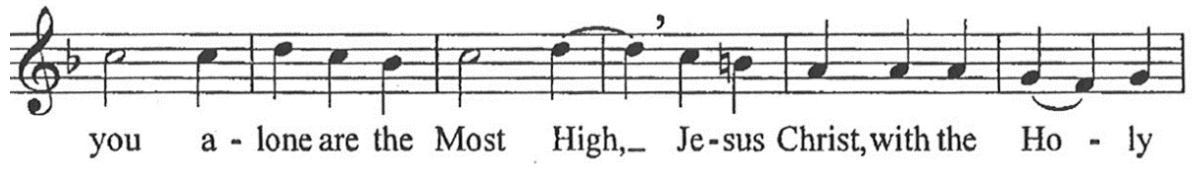
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you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly

Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of God the  
Fa - ther. A - men, A - men, A - men.

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Almighty God, by grace alone you call us and accept us in your service. Strengthen us by your Spirit, and make us worthy of your call; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*The People sit.*

## FIRST READING: Isaiah 9.1-4

A reading from the prophet Isaiah:

But there will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations. The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness - on them light has shined. You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder. For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**



## RESPONSORIAL PSALM: 27.1, 5-13



*Response:* **The Lord is my light and my salvation.**

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear? the Lord is the strength of my life; of whom then shall I be afraid? One thing have I asked of the Lord; one thing I seek; that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life; to behold the fair beauty of the Lord, and to seek him in his temple. **R/.**

For in the day of trouble he shall keep me safe in his shelter; he shall hide me in the secrecy of his dwelling and set me high upon a rock. Even now he lifts up my head above my enemies round about me. Therefore I will offer in his dwelling an oblation with sounds of great gladness; I will sing and make music to the Lord. **R/.**

Hearken to my voice, O Lord, when I call; have mercy on me and answer me. You speak in my heart and say, "Seek my face." Your face, Lord, will I seek. **R/.**

Hide not your face from me, nor turn away your servant in displeasure. You have been my helper; cast me not away; do not forsake me, O God of my salvation. **R/.**

## SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 1.10-18

A reading from St Paul's first Epistle to the Corinthians:

Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you should be in agreement and that there should be no divisions among you, but that you should be united in the same mind and the same purpose. For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. What I mean is that each of you says, 'I belong to Paul', or 'I belong to Apollos', or 'I belong to Cephas', or 'I belong to Christ.' Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power. For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

*The People stand. The choir will sing the first three Alleluias, followed by the people; a cantor will sing the verse and then all sing the final three Alleluias.*

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia, Alleluia. Alleluia. Jesus preached the gospel of the kingdom and healed every infirmity among the people. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

## **THE HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 4.12-23**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

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

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

Now when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the lake, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: 'Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali, on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles - the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned.' From that time Jesus began to proclaim, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.' As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the lake - for they were fishermen. And he said to them, 'Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.' Immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him. Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

The Gospel of Christ.

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

*The People sit.*

## **SERMON**

*After the Sermon, the People remain seated for a period of silent reflection, standing when the Celebrant stands.*

## **THE NICENE CREED**

Let us confess our faith, as we 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: *(Bow.)* by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. *(Rise.)***

**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. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped 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 People remain standing.*

## **INTERCESSIONS**

*Celebrant:* In this week of prayers for Christian Unity, we call to our Lord asking, 'Lord, hear our prayers.'

*Intercessor:* For the church in all its variations, in the Anglican Cycle of Prayer --- in our Diocese --- our Bishop Andrew, for all who worship with us here, that we all come to agreement, united in mind and purpose, proclaiming in word and deed the gospel of Christ.

**Lord, hear our prayers.**



For the nations, that as the Lord has multiplied their joys, they rejoice before the world as those finding great treasure.

Lord, **hear our prayers.**

In thanksgiving (for --- ), for all our gifts of life and joy: the Lord is our stronghold, our source of light and salvation.

Lord, **hear our prayers.**

For the sick, ---, that they believe that they shall see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living.

Lord, **hear our prayers.**

For the others for whom our care is asked, ---, that in finding the Lord, they lose the sense of being cast off, forsaken, accepting his offer of safe , loving, community.

Lord, **hear our prayers.**

For the dead, ---, that there is no gloom or anguish, that the Lord makes glorious their new way forward.

Lord, **hear our prayers.**

*Celebrant:* Our Lord, the Christ of the nations, you have broken the yoke placed, the rod employed to drive your creation to the benefit of those who oppressed it. Let us all find unity in the freedom of thanksgiving, in the joy of renewal. In offering respect and comfort to the survivors. Through Jesus your Son and the Spirit who with you are one God, now and ever. **Amen.**

## **INVITATION, CONFESSION, & ABSOLUTION**

Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

*The People bow or kneel. Silence is 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 neighbours 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.**

Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### **THE PEACE**

*All standing, the Celebrant bids the Peace.*

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

*The People remain standing for the hymn during the Offertory.*

### **OFFERTORY HYMN 356 - Brightest and best of the sons of the morning**

- 1 Brightest and best of the sons of the morning,  
Dawn on our darkness, and lend us thine aid:  
Star of the East, the horizon adorning,  
Guide where our infant Redeemer is laid.
- 2 Cold on his cradle the dew-drops are shining,  
Low lies his head with the beasts of the stall;  
Angels adore him in slumber reclining,  
Maker and Monarch and Saviour of all.
- 3 Say, shall we yield him, in costly devotion,  
Odours of Edom and offerings divine?  
Gems of the mountain and pearls of the ocean,  
Myrrh from the forest and gold from the mine?

4 Vainly we offer each ample oblation,  
Vainly with gifts would his favour secure;  
Richer by far is the heart's adoration,  
Dearer to God are the prayers of the poor.

5 Brightest and best of the sons of the morning,  
Dawn on our darkness, and lend us thine aid:  
Star of the East, the horizon adorning,  
Guide where our infant Redeemer is laid.

*STELLA ORIENTIS*  
Healey Willan 1880-1968

*Reginald Heber 1783-1826*

### PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Loving God, before the world began you called us. Make holy all we offer you this day, and strengthen us in that calling. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.  
**Amen.**

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*Celebrant* *People*



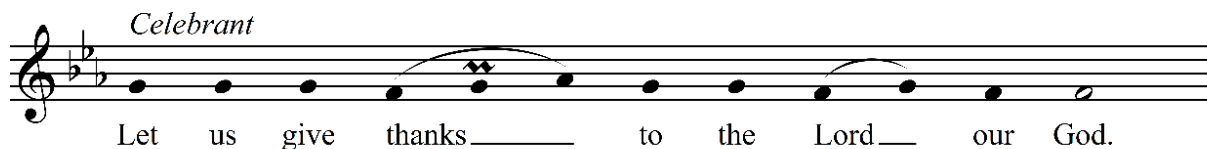
The\_\_\_ Lord be\_\_\_ with\_\_\_ you. And\_\_\_ al - so with you.

*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 our thanks and praise.---

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; you are the source of light and life for all your creation, you made us in your own image, and call us to new life in Jesus Christ our Saviour.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.  
*The People and Choir sing,*

### SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

Organ *mf* Sopranos and Altos All

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord, God of

Sopranos and Altos

pow'r and might, Heav'n and earth are full of your

*f* All

glo - ry, Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

*p* Tenors and Basses **3**

Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the

*f* All

Lord. Ho - san - na, ho -

san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

*The People remain standing.*

We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, 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 shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, Father, according to his command:

**We remember his death,  
we proclaim his resurrection,  
we await his coming in glory.**

and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant.

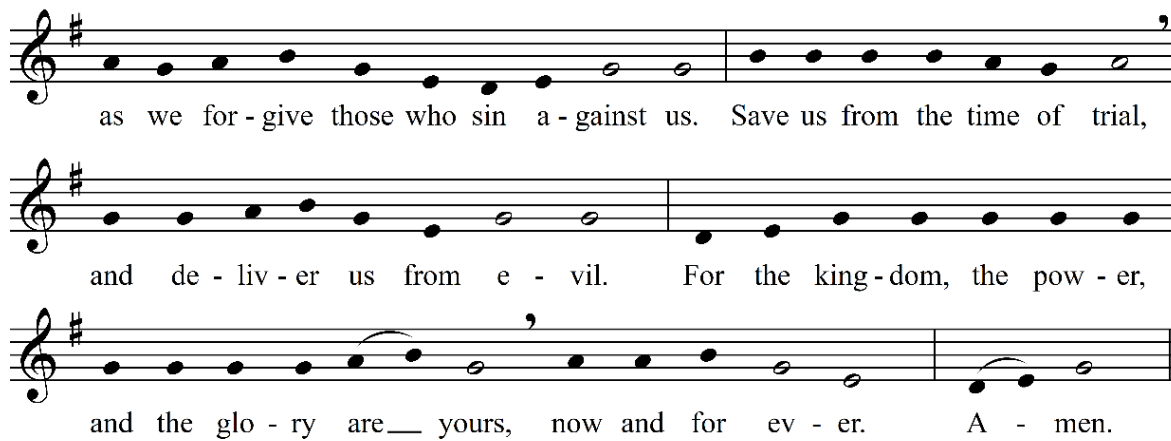
Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

*Music by McNeil Robinson*

*Celebrant* *People*

As our Sa - viour taught us, let us pray, Our Fa - ther in heav - en,  
 hal - lowed be your name, your king - dom come, your will be done,  
 on earth as in heav - en. 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 trial,  
and de - liv - er us from e - vil. For the king - dom, the pow - er,  
and the glo - ry are\_\_ yours, now and for ev - er. A - men.

### THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

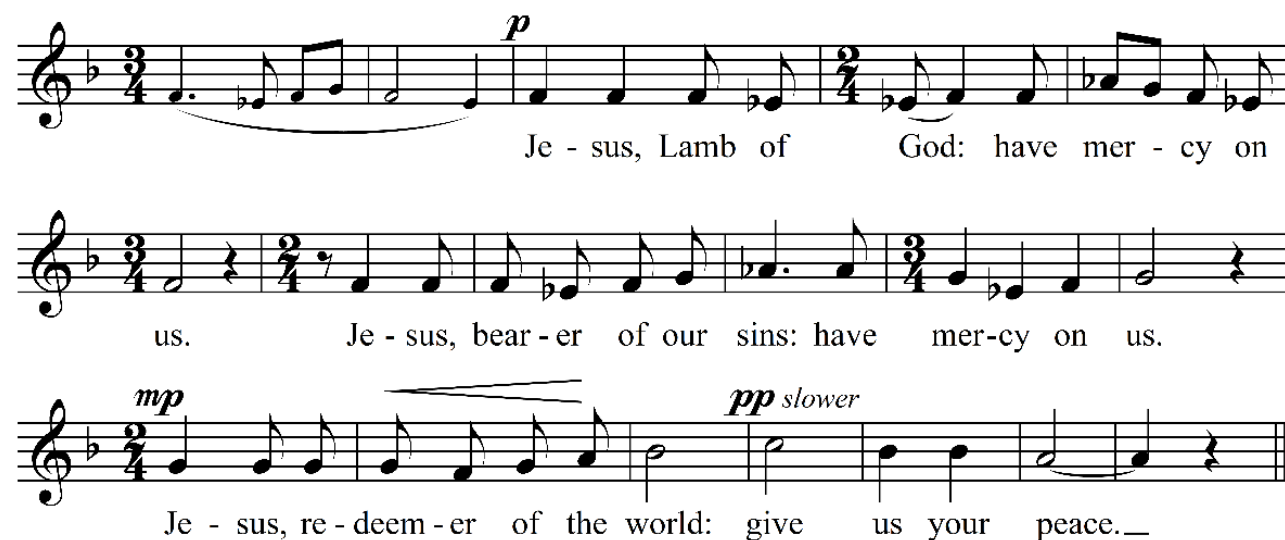
We break the bread of life, and that life is the light of the world.  
**God here among us, light in the midst of us, bring us to light and life.**

### HOLY COMMUNION

The gifts of God for the people of God.  
**Thanks be to God.**

*The People and Choir sing:*

### AGNUS DEI



*p*  
Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on  
us. Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.  
*mp* *pp slower*  
Je - sus, re - deem - er of the world: give us your peace.\_\_



## COMMUNION INSTRUCTIONS

*All baptized Christians are warmly invited to receive Communion as directed by the Sidespeople. Please receive the host (bread) on the right palm of the hand (supported underneath by the left palm). To receive the cup, gently guide with your hand the base of the chalice. Please refrain from intinction (dipping the host into the cup), as diocesan policy does not allow us to do so.*

*Low gluten communion hosts are available upon request. When you approach for communion indicate to the priest that you require a low gluten host.*

*If you have not been baptized or are not receiving communion, please cross your arms over your chest in the shape of an X to receive a blessing. If you are not receiving from the cup, please pause to reverence it with a bow before returning to your pew.*

*If you wish to inquire about baptism for yourself or your child, we would love to speak with you!*

**MOTET:** 'The Call,' John Paynter (1931-2010)

Come, my Way, my truth, my life: Such a way, as gives us breath: Such a truth, as ends all strife: Such a life, as killeth death. Come, my light, my feast my strength: Such a light, as shows a feast: such a feast, as mends in length: Such a strength, as makes his guest. Come, my joy, my love, my heart: such a joy, as none can move: Such a love, as none can part: Such a heart, as joys in love.

George Herbert

## COMMUNION DEVOTIONS

*An Act of Spiritual Communion, which may be prayed silently by those not receiving:*

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament. And since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I humbly ask you to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to you, and embrace you with all the affections of my soul. Let me never be separated from you. Let me live and die in your love. Amen.

## ANIMA CHRISTI

*The following devotion may be prayed silently by communicants and non-communicants.*

Soul of Christ, sanctify me.

Body of Christ, save me.

Blood of Christ, inebriate me.

Water from the side of Christ, wash me.

Passion of Christ, strengthen me.  
O good Jesu, hear me.  
Within thy wounds hide me.  
Suffer me not to be separated from thee.  
From the malicious enemy defend me.  
In the hour of my death call me.  
And bid me come to thee,  
That with thy saints I may praise thee,  
For ever and ever. Amen.  
*The People stand.*

#### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Let us pray.  
Gracious God, our hands have taken holy things; our lives have been nourished by the body of your Son. May we who have eaten at this holy table be strengthened for service in your world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

#### **DOXOLOGY**

Glory to God,  
**whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine.**  
**Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.**

#### **BLESSING**

The peace of God which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

#### **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## CONCLUDING HYMN 186 – Jesus calls us!

- 1 Jesus calls us! O'er the tumult  
Of our life's wild restless sea  
Day by day his sweet voice soundeth,  
Saying, 'Christian, follow me':
- 2 As of old Saint Andrew heard it  
By the Galilean lake,  
Turned from home, and toil, and kindred,  
Leaving all for his dear sake.
- 3 Jesus calls us from the worship  
Of the vain world's golden store,  
From each idol that would keep us,  
Saying, "Christian, love me more.'
- 4 In our joys and in our sorrows,  
Days of toil and hours of ease,  
Still he calls, in cares and pleasures,  
'Christian, love me more than these.'
- 5 Jesus calls us! By thy mercies,  
Saviour, may we hear thy call,  
Give our hearts to thine obedience,  
Serve and love thee best of all.

*St Oswald*  
*Rev. J.B. Dykes, 1857*

*Cecil Frances Alexander, 1852*

**VOLUNTARY:** *Wie schön leuchtet der Morgenstern, Sigfrid Karg-Elert (1877-1933)*