# The Fifteenth Annual Synod of the The Gulf Atlantic Diocese <u>Opening Eucharist</u>

3 November 2023 | 7pm



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WELCOME TO ST. PETER'SI Whether this is your first worship service here, or you've lost count, we're so glad you're here. We are an Anglican Church and the Cathedral of the Gulf Atlantic Diocese of the Anglican Church in North America. As such, we are rooted in the theology and worship of the English Reformation and our service consists of a regular pattern of prayers, music/songs, and readings that fall into two movements. In the **LITURGY OF THE WORD**, we listen to God's word read, sung, prayed, and taught. In the **LITURGY OF THE TABLE**, we are nourished by God through the sacrament of his body and blood. The liturgy, which follows the ACNA *Book of Common Prayer 2019*, is all here in this service bulletin for you to easily follow along. Old & New Testament passages are taken from *The Holy Bible, English Standard Version*; Psalms are taken from the *New Coverdale Psalter*.

Please observe silence before the service for prayer and meditation. All mobile telephones, pagers, and electronic devices should be turned off prior to the service. Photography, video, and audio-recording may occur at any Cathedral worship service/event.

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## Holy Communion

Prelude

For All The Saints

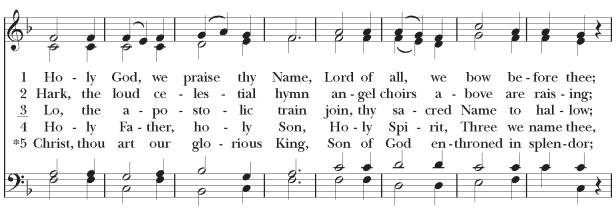
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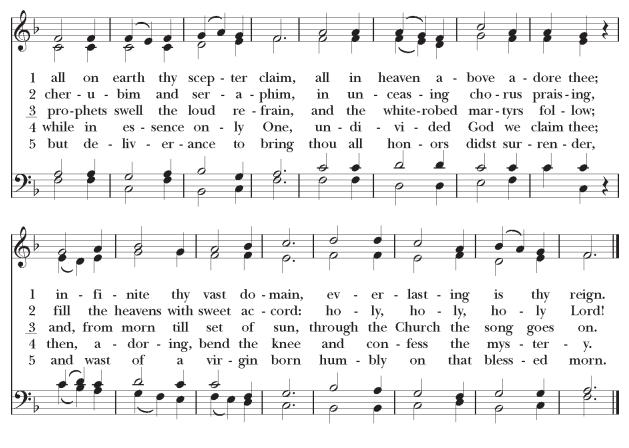
## The Entrance Rite

Pealing of the Bells Please stand.

## Entrance Hymn 366

Holy God, We Praise Thy Name





6 Thou didst take the sting from death, Son of God, as Savior given; on the cross thy dying breath opened wide the realm of heaven. In the glory of that land thou art set at God's right hand.  7 As our judge thou wilt appear. Savior, who hast died to win us, help thy servants, drawing near. Lord, renew our hearts within us.
 Grant that with thy saints we may dwell in everlasting day.

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#### The Opening Acclamation

*Celebrant:* Blessed be God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.*People:* And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

## The Collect for Purity

## Celebrant and People:

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.

## The Summary of the Law

## Celebrant:

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says:

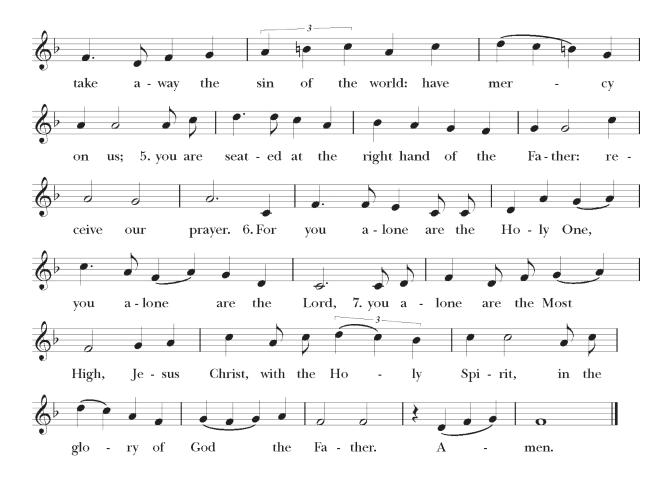
You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.

Matthew 22: 37-40

## The Kyrie

Celebrant:	Lord, have mercy upon us.
People:	Christ, have mercy upon us.
Celebrant:	Lord, have mercy upon us.

#### The Gloria in excelsis S280 All sing. R. Powell 1. Glo - ry to God in the high est, and 4 peace his peo-ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly to might - y God and Fa ther, we wor - ship you, King, al -\_ we you thanks, we praise you 3. Lord Je - sus give for your glo - ry. on - ly Son of the Lamb God, 4. you Christ, Fa-ther, Lord God, of 4



#### The Collect of the Day

- Celebrant:The Lord be with you.People:And with your spirit.Celebrant:Let us pray.
- *Celebrant:* O God of unchangeable power and eternal light: Look favorably on your whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery; by the effectual working of your providence, carry out in tranquility the plan of salvation; let the whole world see and know that things which were cast down are being raised up, and things which had grown old are being made new, and that all things are being brought to their perfection by him through whom all things were made, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## The Liturgy of the Word

## The First Lesson All are seated.

The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me to bring good news to the poor; he has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to those who are bound; <sup>2</sup> to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn; 3 to grant to those who mourn in Zion-to give them a beautiful headdress instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, the garment of praise instead of a faint spirit; that they may be called oaks of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, that he may be glorified. <sup>4</sup> They shall build up the ancient ruins; they shall raise up the former devastations; they shall repair the ruined cities, the devastations of many generations. <sup>5</sup> Strangers shall stand and tend your flocks; foreigners shall be your plowmen and vinedressers; <sup>6</sup> but you shall be called the priests of the Lord; they shall speak of you as the ministers of our God; you shall eat the wealth of the nations, and in their glory you shall boast. <sup>7</sup> Instead of your shame there shall be a double portion; instead of dishonor they shall rejoice in their lot; therefore in their land they shall possess a double portion; they shall have everlasting joy. 8 For I the Lord love justice; I hate robbery and wrong; I will faithfully give them their recompense, and I will make an everlasting covenant with them.<sup>9</sup> Their offspring shall be known among the nations, and their descendants in the midst of the peoples; all who see them shall acknowledge them, that they are an offspring the Lord has blessed.

*Lector:* The Word of the Lord. *People:* Thanks be to God.

## Psalm 145 Read by lector.

<sup>1</sup> I will magnify you, O God my King, *
and I will praise your Name for ever and ever.
<sup>2</sup> Every day will I give thanks to you, *
and praise your Name for ever and ever.
<sup>3</sup> Great is the Lord, and most worthy to be praised; *
there is no end of his greatness.
<sup>4</sup> One generation shall praise your works to another, *
and shall declare your power.
<sup>5</sup> As for me, I will be talking of the glorious splendor of your majesty, *
and of all your wondrous works.
<sup>6</sup> They shall speak of the might of your marvelous acts, *
and I also will tell of your greatness.
<sup>7</sup> The remembrance of your abundant goodness shall they proclaim, *
and they shall sing of your righteousness.
<sup>8</sup> The Lord is gracious and merciful, *
long-suffering, and of great kindness.
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## Isaiah 61:1-9

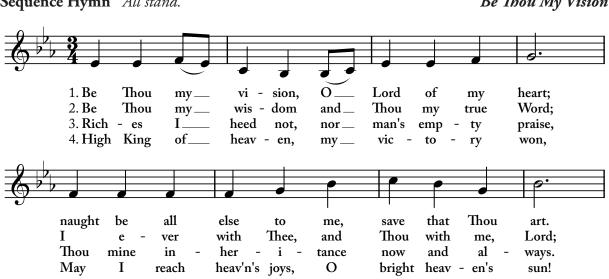
<sup>9</sup> The Lord is loving to everyone, \* and his mercy is over all his works. <sup>10</sup> All your works praise you, O Lord, \* and your faithful servants give thanks to you. <sup>11</sup> They speak of the glory of your kingdom \* and talk of your power, <sup>12</sup> That your power may be known to the children of men, \* even the glorious splendor of your kingdom. <sup>13</sup> Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, \* and your dominion endures throughout all ages. <sup>14</sup> The Lord upholds all those who fall \* and lifts up all those who are bowed down. <sup>15</sup> The eyes of all wait upon you, O Lord, \* and you give them their food in due season. <sup>16</sup> You open wide your hand, \* and fill all things living with plenteousness. <sup>17</sup> The Lord is righteous in all his ways \* and merciful in all his works. <sup>18</sup> The Lord is near to all those who call upon him, \* to all who call upon him faithfully. <sup>19</sup> He will fulfill the desire of those who fear him; \* he also will hear their cry and will help them. <sup>20</sup> The Lord preserves all those who love him, \* but he will destroy all the ungodly. <sup>21</sup> My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord; \* and let all flesh give thanks unto his holy Name for ever and ever.

#### The Second Lesson All remain seated.

#### 1 Thessalonians 5:8-24

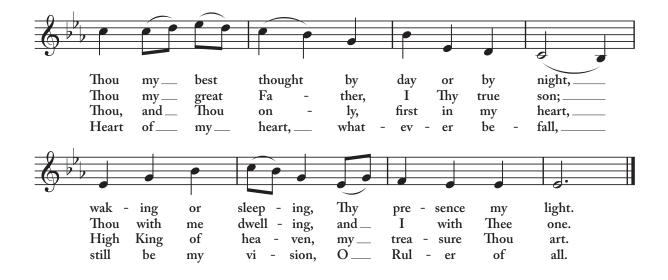
<sup>8</sup> But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, having put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation.<sup>9</sup> For God has not destined us for wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>10</sup> who died for us so that whether we are awake or asleep we might live with him. <sup>11</sup> Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing. <sup>12</sup> We ask you, brothers, to respect those who labor among you and are over you in the Lord and admonish you, <sup>13</sup> and to esteem them very highly in love because of their work. Be at peace among yourselves. <sup>14</sup> And we urge you, brothers, admonish the idle, encourage the fainthearted, help the weak, be patient with them all. <sup>15</sup> See that no one repays anyone evil for evil, but always seek to do good to one another and to everyone. <sup>16</sup> Rejoice always, <sup>17</sup> pray without ceasing, <sup>18</sup> give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. <sup>19</sup> Do not quench the Spirit. <sup>20</sup> Do not despise prophecies, <sup>21</sup> but test everything; hold fast what is good. <sup>22</sup> Abstain from every form of evil. <sup>23</sup> Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>24</sup> He who calls you is faithful; he will surely do it.

Lector: The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God. People:



Sequence Hymn All stand.

Be Thou My Vision



The Gospel Remain standing.

John 20:19-23

Gospeler: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. John.People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

<sup>19</sup> On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." <sup>20</sup> When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. <sup>21</sup> Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you." <sup>22</sup> And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. <sup>23</sup> If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you withhold forgiveness from any, it is withheld."

Gospeler:	The Gospel of the Lord.
People:	Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Right Rev'd C. Alexander Farmer

Notes

The Nicene Creed All stand.

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, visible and invisible. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only-begotten 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, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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 Prayers of the People All kneel.

After each bidding of "Lord, in your mercy" the People prayerfully respond with "Hear our prayer."

## **The Confession of Sin** *Celebrant and People:*

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.

## The Absolution

Celebrant:

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

## The Comfortable Words Remain kneeling.

The Celebrant may then say one or more of the following sentences, first saying:

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. MATTHEW 11:28

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. JOHN 3:16

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. I TIMOTHY 1:15

If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world. I JOHN 2:1–2

**The Peace** All stand and greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Celebrant:The Peace of the Lord be always with you.People:And with your spirit.

## The Holy Communion

At the offering, please make checks payable to the Gulf Atlantic Diocese.

#### At the Offertory

#### True Light

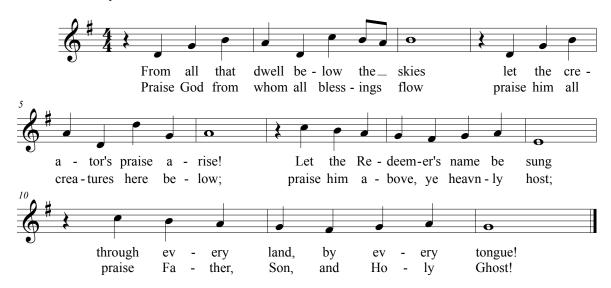
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All Praise

Jennifer Nicholson, soloist

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. Almighty God is light, He lives in us as true light. In the beginning out of darkness God created true light. Don't let the light that You've given me die, and don't desert my mind. But let the one who serves You praise You again and again. You are the one who judges right from wrong. Your glory excites no envy. God gave the world true light! Hold onto the true light. Everywhere I go, I want the world to know, God gave the world true light!

#### Presentation Hymn All stand.



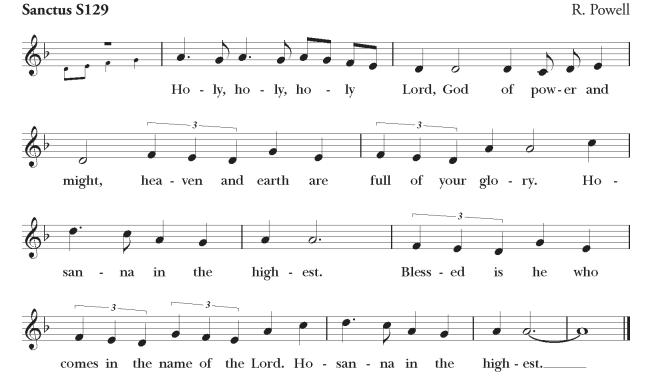
#### The Sursum Corda

Celebrant:	The Lord be with you.
People:	And with your spirit.
Celebrant:	Lift up your hearts.
People:	We lift them up to the Lord.
Celebrant:	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People:	It is right to give him thanks and praise.

## Celebrant:

It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is your living Word from before time and for all ages; by him you created all things, and by him you make all things new.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:



## All kneel.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent your only Son Jesus Christ into the world for our salvation. By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he became flesh and dwelt among us. In obedience to your will, he stretched out his arms upon the Cross and offered himself once for all, that by his suffering and death we might be saved.

By his resurrection he broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory, that we might come with confidence before the throne of grace.

On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for 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 in remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

## Celebrant and People:

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

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Sanctify us also, that we may worthily receive this holy Sacrament, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us and we in him. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us with all your saints into the joy of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN**.

## The Lord's Prayer

*Celebrant:* And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

*People:* 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.

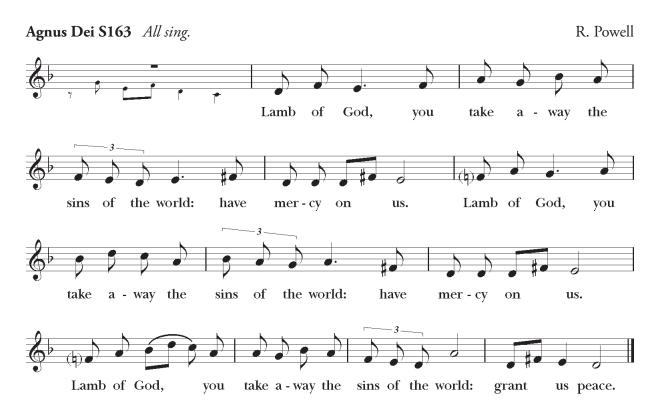
## The Fraction

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

## The Prayer of Humble Access

## Celebrant and People:

We do not presume to come to this, your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table; but you are the same Lord whose character is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.



Invitation to Communion

## **Communion Instructions**

All baptized Christians, regardless of denomination, are welcome to receive the real and living presence of Christ in this Holy Communion. Anyone may come forward for a blessing in lieu of Communion. Please indicate your desire for a blessing by crossing your arms on your chest.

An usher will release the aisles to come forward for Communion. A verger will direct you to the altar rail where a priest will place a wafer in your hands. If you would like to dip the wafer into the wine, hold it so it is visible and the first chalice bearer will offer you the intinction chalice for you to do so. If you would like to drink from the common cup, consume the bread and drink from the chalice offered by the second chalice bearer.

Gluten-free wafers are available from the acolytes in front of the pulpit or the lectern. Once you have obtained your wafer, come to the priest for the words of administration.

Prayer teams are located in the transepts for anyone who would like to pray with a prayer minister.

#### **Communion Music**

*Verse 1* People come together Strange as neighbours our blood is one Children of generations Of every nation of Kingdom come

#### Chorus

Don't let your heart be troubled Hold your head up high don't fear no evil Fix your eyes on this one truth God is madly in love with you Take courage hold on be strong Remember where our help comes from

#### Good Grace

*Verse 2* Jesus our redemption Our salvation is in His blood Jesus Light of heaven Friend forever His Kingdom come

#### Bridge

Swing wide all you heavens Let the praise go up as the walls come down All creation everything with breath repeat the sound All His children clean hands pure hearts Good grace good God His Name is Jesus

#### **Communion Music**

#### Great Are You Lord

*Verse* You give life You are love You bring light to the darkness You give hope You restore ev'ry heart that is broken And great are You Lord

Chorus

It's Your breath in our lungs So we pour out our praise We pour out our praise It's Your breath in our lungs So we pour out our praise to You only

Bridge And all the earth will shout Your praise Our hearts will cry these bones will sing Great are You Lord (repeat)

#### **Communion Music**

#### Chorus

We will feast in the house of Zion We will sing with our hearts restored He has done great things we will say together We will feast and weep no more

> Verse 1 We will not be burned by the fire He is the Lord our God We are not consumed by the flood Upheld protected gathered up

#### We Will Feast in the House of Zion

#### Verse 2

In the dark of night before the dawn My soul be not afraid For the promised morning oh how long Oh God of Jacob be my strength

#### Verse 3

Every vow we've broken and betrayed You are the faithful one And from the garden to the grave Bind us together bring shalom

#### **Communion Music**

## How Great Thou Art

Verse 1 O Lord my God When I in awesome wonder Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made I see the stars I hear the rolling thunder Thy pow'r thru'out The universe displayed

Verse 2 When through the woods And forest glades I wander And hear the birds Sing sweetly in the trees When I look down From lofty mountain grandeur And hear the brook And feel the gentle breeze *Verse 3* And when I think That God His Son not sparing Sent Him to die I scarce can take it in That on the cross My burden gladly bearing He bled and died To take away my sin

Verse 4 When Christ shall come With shout of acclamation And take me home What joy shall fill my heart Then I shall bow In humble adoration And there proclaim My God how great Thou art

Chorus

Then sings my soul My Savior God to Thee How great Thou art How great Thou art Then sings my soul My Savior God to Thee How great Thou art How great Thou art

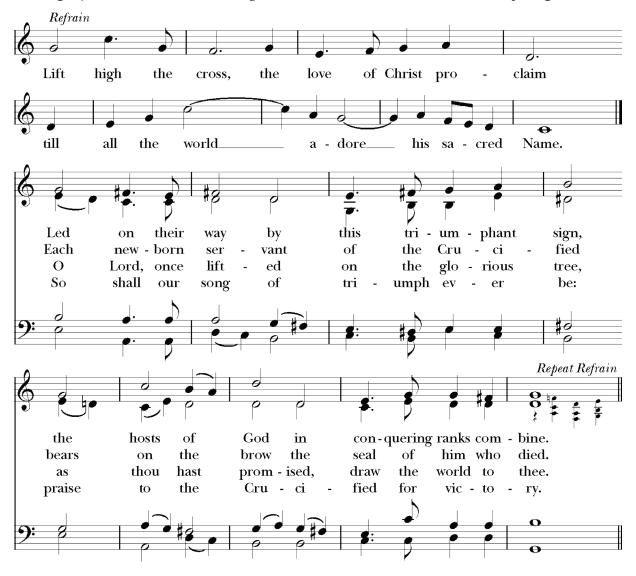
The Post Communion Prayer All kneel.

Celebrant and People:

Heavenly Father, 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 Remain kneeling.

Closing Hymn 473 All stand and sing.



#### The Dismissal

*The People:* Thanks be to God.

## Postlude

Menuet

L. Boellman



## **SERVICES**

9am Sunday\* | Holy Communion in Contemporary Language 11:15am Sunday\* | Holy Communion in Traditional Language 5pm Sunday | Holy Communion in Contemporary Language | St. Mary's Chapel 12:10pm Wednesday | Holy Communion & Prayers of Healing | Chancel 5:30pm Wednesday (during class semester) | Choral Evensong | Chancel 9am Monday-Friday | Morning Prayer | Chancel 4:30pm Monday | Tuesday | Thursday | Evening Prayer | Chancel

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