St. Andrew's Parish Church

established 1706



THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
The Holy Eucharist at 11:15 a.m.
7 September 2025



Welcoming All, Worshipping Christ Witnessing God's Love



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Here at Old St. Andrew's Parish Church, in Gilchrist Hall

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Tickets are available online: www.thekingscounterpoint.com or on Sundays in Gilchrist Hall

The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

7th September 2025 The Holy Eucharist at 11:15 a.m.

THE INTROIT

SUNG BY OUR PARISH CHOIR

Round me falls the night (Dedicated to the loving memory of Skip Runge)

Words: W Romanis (1824-1899) Music: A Drese (1620-1701)

Round me falls the night; Saviour, be my light; Through the hours in darlness shrouded let me see thy face unclouded; Let thy glory shine in this heart of mine.

Earthly work is done, earthly sounds are none; Rest in sleep and silence seeking, let me hear thee softly speaking; In my spirit's ear whisper, "I am near."

Blessed, heav'nly Light, shining through earth's nigh; Voice, of oft that love hast told me; arms, so strong to clasp and hold me; Thou thy watch will keep, Saviour, o'er my sleep.

Tune: Lyons THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN God i ble, ly Im mor tal, in vis on wise, hast - ing, rest -Un si light, ing, บท and lent as giv -To all life thou est, to both great and small; 4. Thou reign - est thou light, in glo ry, rul est in in light in ac ces si ble hid from our eyes, wast - ing, ing, thou might; nor want nor rul est in all in life thou liv the true life of all; est, thine gels dore their an а thee, all veil _ ing sight; 0 most bless ed, most glo - rious, An cient of Days, jus like moun - tains high ing thy tice soar a bove we blos som and flour - ish, like leaves on the tree, all laud we would ren - der: O help us see to migh - y, tor - ious, ล1 vic thy great Name we praise. clouds, which love. thy are foun - tains of good - ness and thee. then with - er and per - ish; but nought chan geth light on the splen - dor of hid - eth thee. 'tis lv

Text: Walter Chalmers Smith (1824-1908), alt. Music: ST. DENIO, Welsh hym, from Caniadau

THE ACCLAMATION (BCP 2019 page 123)

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 (BCP 2019 page 124)

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.

Welcome!

to our historic, living church where the saints have gathered to worship since 1706!

If you are visiting with us today, please take a welcome brochure (located in the card rack on the back of each pew) and fill out the visitor card. Please place it in the offering plate or leave it with an usher.

The liturgy begins with the Acclamation, which is an eager expression of praise.

In the Collect for Purity, we ask God to cleanse our hearts and minds of anything that comes between Him and us, anything that would impede our worship of Him. Here we offer ourselves to the glory of Jesus Christ.

Front page: St Luke 14 verse 25 Now great crowds accompanied Jesus.....

These words of Christ bring to our attention the perfect standard of God's righteousness and what He requires of us. Both **The Summary of the Law** and The Decalogue (Ten Commandments) are valid options for this movement of the liturgy. The Summary was first used in place of The Decalogue in 1718.

The words **Kyrie** Eleison. Christe Eleison. mean Lord, Have mercy. Christ, Have Mercy. Within the liturgy, it lifts our voices in a prayer for the compassion of Christ after the declaration of the Summary of the Law, which holds up the standard of God's righteousness. Kyrie Eleison first appeared in the Holy Communion Service as the response of a litany in the Antioch-Jerusalem liturgy after the middle of the 4th century. Around 595AD, Christe Eleison was added by St. Gregory the Great of Rome.

THE SUMMARY OF THE LAW (BCP 2019 page 124)

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.

THE KYRIE (BCP 2019 page 124)

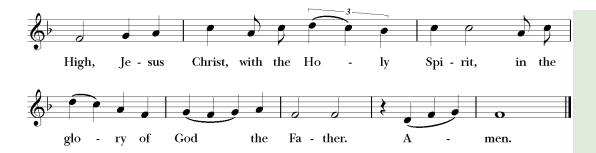
Celebrant: Lord, have mercy upon us.

People: Christ, have mercy upon us.

Celebrant: Lord, have mercy upon us.

THE GLORIA IN EXCELSIS





THE COLLECT OF THE DAY (BCP 2019 page 125)

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O Lord God, grant your people grace to withstand the temptations of the world, the flesh, and the devil, and with pure hearts and minds to follow you, the only God; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

(Please be seated)

The **Collects** are prayers that touch on the theme of the Scripture readings and transitions us from speaking and singing God's praise to listening to his Holy Scriptures.

The Liturgy of the Word

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Deuteronomy 30 verses 15-20

¹⁵ And Moses said: See, I have set before you today life and good, death and evil. ¹⁶ If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I command you today, by loving the LORD your God, by walking in his ways, and by keeping his commandments and his statutes and his rules, then you shall live and multiply, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to take possession of it. ¹⁷ But if your heart turns away, and you will not hear, but are drawn away to worship other gods and serve them, ¹⁸ I declare to you today, that you shall surely perish. You shall not live long in the land that you are going over the Jordan to enter and possess. ¹⁹ I call heaven and earth to witness against you today, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and curse. Therefore choose life, that you and your offspring may live, ²⁰ loving the LORD your God, obeying his voice and holding fast to him, for he is your life and length of days, that you may dwell in the land that the LORD swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them."

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

The Scriptures teach that much of our spiritual renewal is by the washing of the Word of God, which cleanses our minds and purifies our hearts. This portion of the service is known as the **Liturgy of the Word,** and it consists of the readings, the sermon, the creed, and the prayers of the people.

- 1. Blessed is the man that hath not walked in the counsel of the ungodly, nor stood in the way of sinners: and hath not sat in the seat of the scornful.
- 2. But his delight is in the law of the Lord: and in his law will he exercise himself day and night.
- 3. And he shall be like a tree planted by the water-side: that will bring forth his fruit in due season.
- 4. His leaf also shall not wither: and look, whatsoever he doeth, it shall prosper.
- 5. As for the ungodly, it is not so with them: but they are like the chaff, which the wind scattereth away from the face of the earth.
- 6. Therefore the ungodly shall not be able to stand in the judgement: neither the sinners in the congregation of the righteous.
- 7. But the Lord knoweth the way of the righteous : and the way of the ungodly shall perish.

THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Philemon verses 1-25

¹Paul, a prisoner for Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother,

To Philemon our beloved fellow worker ² and Apphia our sister and Archippus our fellow soldier, and the church in your house:

- ³ Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.
- ⁴I thank my God always when I remember you in my prayers, ⁵ because I hear of your love and of the faith that you have toward the Lord Jesus and for all the saints, ⁶ and I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective for the full knowledge of every good thing that is in us for the sake of Christ. ⁷ For I have derived much joy and comfort from your love, my brother, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you.
- ⁸ Accordingly, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do what is required, ⁹ yet for love's sake I prefer to appeal to you—I, Paul, an old man and now a prisoner also for Christ Jesus— ¹⁰ I appeal to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I became in my imprisonment. ¹¹ (Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful to you and to me.) ¹² I am sending him back to you, sending my very heart. ¹³ I would have been glad to keep him with me, in order that he might serve me on your behalf during my imprisonment for the gospel, ¹⁴ but I preferred to do nothing without your consent in order that your goodness might not be by compulsion but of your own accord. ¹⁵ For this perhaps is why he was parted from you for a while, that you might have him back forever, ¹⁶ no longer as a bondservant but more than a bondservant, as a beloved brother—especially to me, but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.

¹⁷So if you consider me your partner, receive him as you would receive me. ¹⁸If he has wronged you at all, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. ¹⁹I, Paul, write this with my own hand: I will repay it—to say nothing of your owing me even your own self. ²⁰Yes, brother, I want some benefit from you in the Lord. Refresh my heart in Christ.

- ²¹Confident of your obedience, I write to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say. ²²At the same time, prepare a guest room for me, for I am hoping that through your prayers I will be graciously given to you.
- ²³ Epaphras, my fellow prisoner in Christ Jesus, sends greetings to you, ²⁴ and so do Mark, Aristarchus, Demas, and Luke, my fellow workers.
- ²⁵ The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit.

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

THE SEQUENCE HYMN (Please stand)

1. Christ is made the sure foundation, Christ the head and cornerstone, Chosen of the Lord, and precious, binding all the Church in one; Holy Zion's help for ever, and her confidence alone.

2. All that dedicated city, dearly loved of God on high, In exultant jubilation, pours perpetual melody; God the One in Three adoring in glad hymns eternally.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

St. Luke 14 Verses 25-33

Tune: Westminster Abbey

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

²⁵ Now great crowds accompanied Jesus, and he turned and said to them, ²⁶ "If anyone comes to me and does not hate his own father and mother and wife and children and brothers and sisters, yes, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple. ²⁷ Whoever does not bear his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple. ²⁸ For which of you, desiring to build a tower, does not first sit down and count the cost, whether he has enough to complete it? ²⁹ Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it begin to mock him, ³⁰ saying, 'This man began to build and was not able to finish.' 31 Or what king, going out to encounter another king in war, will not sit down first and deliberate whether he is able with ten thousand to meet him who comes against him with twenty thousand? 32 And if not, while the other is yet a great way off, he sends a delegation and asks for terms of peace. 33 So therefore, any one of you who does not renounce all that he has cannot be my disciple.

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

Jesus is the Word that became flesh and dwelled among us. In the reading of the Holy Gospel, the ministers process with the Gospel Book to the Crossing of the church to read the selected passage and symbolize the Word dwelling among us. The ministers process to the Crossing during this hymn.

The Scriptures tell us that

The word Gospel comes from the Old English word, god-spell, which means "good news" or "glad tidings." That word developed from the Latin word, evangelium, and Greek, evangelion, which also literally means "good news." These are the source of the English words "evangelist" and "evangelism"

THE SEQUENCE HYMN (Please stand)

3. To this temple, where we call thee, come, O Lord of Hosts, today; With thy wonted loving kindness, hear thy servants as they pray. And thy fullest benediction shed within its walls alway.

4. Here vouchsafe to all thy servants what they ask of thee to gain; What they gain from thee, for ever with the blessed to retain, And hereafter in thy glory, evermore with thee to reign.

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THE SERMON

THE NICENE CREED (BCP 2019 page 127) Let us confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed: *Celebrant and People:*

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 (BCP 2019 page 128)

Led by a member of the Order of the Daughters of the King. If you would like our Daughters of the King to pray for a specific need, please fill out a confidential prayer card found at the prayer box near the main entrance to the church.

Reader: Let us pray for the Church and for the world, saying, "hear our prayer."

For the peace of the whole world, and for the well-being and unity of the people of God.

Reader: Lord, in your mercy: People: Hear our prayer.

For Steve Wood, our Archbishop, Chip Edgar, our Bishop, and for Bill Skilton our Bishop in residence; for all bishops, priests and deacons; especially for our Rector, Fr. Marshall; our Associate Rector Fr. Rich, and our Assisting Priests Fr. David and Fr. Doug; our Deacon Emeritus, Lee Hershon, and our church staff. We also pray for St. Andrew's Mission and their Vicar, Fr. Jimmy Gallant;

Reader: Lord, in your mercy: People: Hear our prayer.

The Nicene Creed is a statement of what the Christian community believes to be true about God. It was born of rigorous intellectual debate in the fourth century, culminating in councils of the whole church at Nicaea in 325 and at Constantinople in 381. The word "creed" comes from the Latin word "credo" which means "I believe."

Christians pray. When we worship the living God, we bring before Him our concerns for ourselves and others, for the world, and for the church. We also thank God for hearing and responding to our prayers. At the Offertory, all of our prayers are presented to God along with our tithes and offerings.

For all those who proclaim the Gospel at home and abroad; and for all who teach and disciple others, in particular for San José Church in the Dominican Republic and their Rector, Fr. Isaac Pringle, and their Bishop Moises Quezada, and for Fr. Rob Sturdy, Anglican Chaplain at The Citadel.

Reader: Lord, in your mercy: People: Hear our prayer.

For our brothers and sisters in Christ who are persecuted for their faith.

Reader: Lord, in your mercy: People: Hear our prayer.

For our nation, for those in authority, and for all in public service, especially our President, Donald Trump, our Governor, Henry McMaster and our Mayor, William Cogswell.

Reader: Lord, in your mercy: People: Hear our prayer.

For all those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, particularly those on our parish prayer list and those we name at this time, silently or aloud. (pause)

Reader: Lord, in your mercy: People: Hear our prayer.

For all those who have departed this life in the certain hope of the resurrection, named at this time silently or aloud (pause) in thanksgiving let us pray.

Reader: Lord, in your mercy: People: Hear our prayer.

Celebrant:

Almighty God, from whom all thoughts of truth and peace proceed: Kindle, we pray, in the hearts of all people the true love of peace, and guide with your pure and peaceable wisdom those who take counsel for the nations of the earth; that in tranquility your kingdom may go forward, till the earth is filled with the knowledge of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Heavenly Father, grant these our prayers for the sake of Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION OF SINS (Please kneel) (BCP 2019 page 130)

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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 Bishop when present, or the Priest, stands and says

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto 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.**

About the "posture" of prayer: It has been commonly said that Anglicans kneel for prayer, but that is not the rule for posture in any edition of the Prayer Book. Various editions have assumed that standing is the normal posture for public prayer and have directed the people to kneel only for confessions, for reciting the Commandments, etc. However, in this parish it is the traditional discipline to kneel for the prayers. It is a posture of humility, which is something always worth cultivating in ourselves.

We are all sinful people. Here, in the **Confession**, we admit our wrongdoings and lay our sins at the feet of Jesus on the cross.

In the Confession of Sin and Absolution, our sins, both individual and corporate, have been confessed, and we have been powerfully reassured of God's complete forgiveness through Jesus Christ.

THE COMFORTABLE WORDS (BCP 2019 page 130)

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. 1 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. 1 John 2:1-2

THE PEACE (Please stand) (BCP 2019 page 131)

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And with your spirit.

Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

At this time the Rector will welcome all to the Lord's Table and share the announcements of the day.

THE OFFERTORY: If you would like to make an online offering at this time to Old St. Andrew's Parish Church, please follow the link:

https://www.oldstandrews.org/giving-1

THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM

(Sung by our Parish Choir)

Cantique de Jean Racine Music: Gabriel Faure

Verbe, égal au Très-Haut, notre unique espérance, jour éternel de la terre et des cieux ;

De la paisible nuit nous rompons le silence. Divin Sauveur, jette sur nous les yeux!

O Word, equal of the Most High, our sole hope, eternal day of earth and the heavens, We break the silence of the peaceful night. Divine Saviour, cast Thine eyes upon us!

Répands sur nous le feu de ta grâce puissante, que tout l'enfer fuie au son de ta voix ; Dissipe le sommeil d'une âme languissante, qui la conduit à l'oubli de tes lois!

Shed the light of Thy mighty grace upon us. Let all Hell flee at the sound of Thy voice. Dispel the slumber of a languishing soul that leads it to the forgetting of Thy laws!

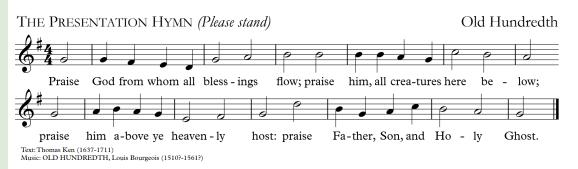
O Christ, sois favorable à ce peuple fidèle pour te bénir maintenant rassemblé. Reçois les chants qu'il offre à ta gloire immortelle, et de tes dons qu'il retourne comblé.

O Christ, be favorable unto this faithful people now gathered to bless Thee.

Receive the hymns it offers unto Thine immortal glory,

And may it return laden with Thy gifts.

Here at Old St Andrew's Parish Church the choir sing an Offertory Anthem every week. Music can often help to add additional weight and emotion into the written texts. A congregation can hear a message via the singing of the choir, in a similar way that they do when they listen to a sermon. The message can be used to teach, offer praise, set a mood for more teaching, and/or offer a link to the whole Body of Christ through the ages and around the world by using traditional songs & texts or songs from another place.



Celebrant: (BCP 2019 page 131)

Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for everything in heaven and on earth is yours; yours is the Kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as Head above all. All things come from you, O Lord,

People: And of your own have we given you.

The Holy Communion

THE SURSUM CORDA (BCP 2019 page 132)

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.

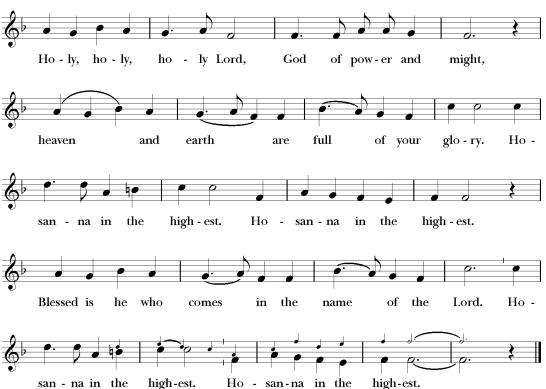
The Celebrant continues

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, who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting 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 to proclaim the glory of your Name:

THE SANCTUS



Our altar is The Lord's Table and all baptized Christians (baptized in the Name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit) are welcome to receive Holy Communion here.

In the Anglican tradition, Communion is received in two kinds: in the Bread and in the Wine. The Bread is offered first and is typically placed in one's open palm. After hearing the words "The Body of Christ, the bread of Heaven," the bread is ready to be consumed. A chalice bearer will then offer the Wine.

We offer two chalices for Holy Communion. The first, smaller chalice is for intinction (dipping the wafer into the chalice.) The second, larger chalice is for consumption. If you would prefer to drink from the cup, please hold the wafer in front of you until the larger chalice is offered.

* If you or your children are not baptized, you may receive a blessing at the altar rail from the Priest. Simply cross your hands over your chest as you kneel at the rail.

Ladies, please "blot" your lipstick prior to receiving communion, as this will help preserve our beautiful altar linens.

The **Sanctus** is the song of the seraphim contained in the great vision that the prophet Isaiah experienced while worshipping in the Temple in Jerusalem. This vision is recorded in the 6th chapter of Isaiah. It is inspired by Isaiah's vision of the heavenly court "Holy, holy, holy" acknowledging the transcendence of God.

When we gather together, we remember the presence of Jesus. By repeating the words and actions of Jesus' last meal with His disciples, we join the story and make it our own. We don't just watch the drama or listen to it unfold, we enter into the story as we, too, take the bread and wine and eat and drink and participate in the victory Christ has won for us.

THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION (BCP 2019 page 132)

Please Kneel

Celebrant:

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you have 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.

Celebrant:

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.**

This **AMEN** is often called the "Great Amen" because it is the apex of our liturgy, the powerful ending to the Eucharist Prayer.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (BCP 2019 page 134)

Celebrant:

And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to sing



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THE FRACTION (BCP 2019 page 135)

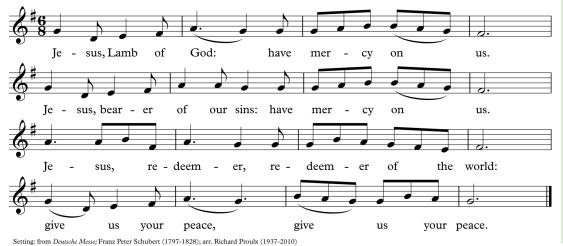
Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us. Celebrant:

People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS (BCP 2019 page 135)

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



The Lord's Prayer, so called because Jesus gave this prayer to His disciples as an example of how to pray, has been a part of Eucharistic liturgies since the fourth century. The link between "our daily bread" and the spiritual food we receive in the Eucharist is very ancient. In the Lord's Prayer, we ask for daily bread, meaning the things we need to get through each day. But as a part of that, the sacramental bread is Jesus Christ, truly present in this bread. When we eat of this bread, we most certainly receive our daily bread.

The Prayer of Humble Access is a very distinctive element of worship in the Anglican Tradition. Assembled in the earliest prayer books by Thomas Cranmer, it includes phrases and concepts from Mark 7:28, the Liturgy of St. Basil, a Gregorian collect, John 6:56, and some ideas of Thomas Aquinas.

THE MINISTRATION OF COMMUNION Celebrant:

The Christian life is deeply

personal yet is essentially corporate by nature, not

private. Every act of worship

is intended not only to glori-

fy God for His own sake, but to lift up and build up one

another in Christ for His

The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

(If you need Holy Communion brought to you in your pew, please ask the Usher.)

THE COMMUNION ANTHEM (Please be seated)

SUNG BY THE CHOIR

O Strength and Stay

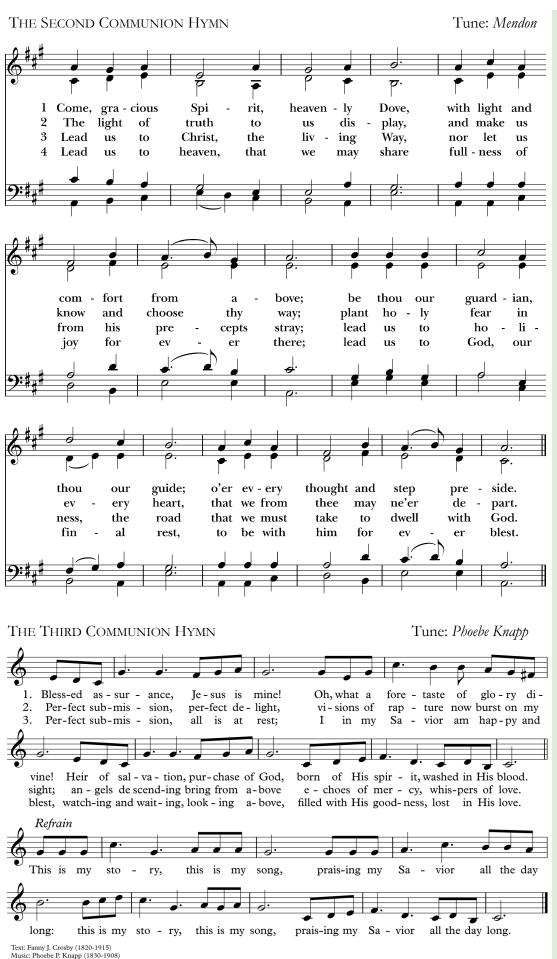
Music Louis Bourgeois (1510-1559) Words: St Ambrose (340-397)

- 1. O strength and stay upholding all creation, Who ever dost thyself unmoved abide, Yet day by day the light in due gradation, From hour to hour through all its changes guide.
- 2. Grant to life's day a calm unclouded ending, An eve untouched by shadows of decay, The brightness of a holy death-bed bending, With dawning glories of th'eternal day.
- 3. Hear us, O Father, gracious and forgiving, Through Jesus Christ thy coeternal word, Now and to endless ages art adored. Amen.

sake as well. The word "liturgy" literally means "the work of the people." A cen-Who with the Holy Ghost, by all things living, tral function of liturgy is to send the message that in a worship community there are THE FIRST COMMUNION HYMN Tune: Swedish Folk Song no bystanders. It is corporate through and through and from one end to the other. Singing is also a form of 1. O Lord My God, when in awe-some won - der con - sid - er prayer that can help carry the 2. When through the woods and for - est glades I wan - der, I hear the heart to God not only in the But think that God, His Son not sent Him to when I spar - ing, words being sung but be-When Christshall come, with shout of ac - cla - ma - tion, and take me yond the reach of words. the worlds Thy hand hath made, I see the stars, I hear the roll - ing birds sing sweet - ly trees: When I look down from loft - y moun-tain in the die, I scarce can take that on the cross my bur-den glad - ly it in, home, what joy shall fill heart! Then I shall bow in hum-ble ad - o my Thy pow'r through-out played; thun - der, the u - ni - verse dis gran - deur and hear the brook feel the gen - tle breeze; bear - ing He bled and died to take a - way my sin; pro - claim, "My God, how great Thou art!" ra - tion and there Refrain Thee, How great Thou art! Then sings my soul, mySavior God to How great Thou Then sings art! my soul, my Sav - ior God, to 0 \odot Thee, How great Thou art! How great Thou art!

Text: Stuart K. Hine

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At Old St. Andrew's, we encourage you to continue to pray by singing both before and after you come to the Communion Rail. In this way, all of us are helping each other to lift our hearts continuously in the midst of receiving the greatest gift ever given: the life of Jesus Christ.

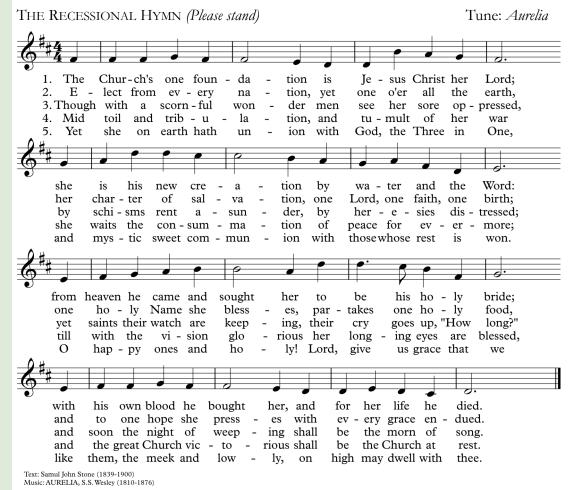
THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER (BCP 2019 page 137)

After Communion, the *Celebrant* says: Let us pray.

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 (BCP 2019 page 137)

We have been blessed by being here. Now, at the end of the service, we are reminded that God takes loving delight in blessing us abundantly. We leave in peace, forgiven, fed, and sent out with a purpose in the name of Jesus Christ.



As the service ends, we are charged to "go," a challenge to reach out beyond our own church to the world around

The Scripture quotations are from the English Standard Version of the Bible.

We Go Out to Serve God

THE DISMISSAL AND COMMISSIONING

(BCP page 138)

Priest or Deacon: Our worship has concluded; our service begins.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

THE POSTLUDE Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise by Kevin Uppercue