

ST. ANDREW'S PARISH CHURCH

Established 1706



THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT LAETARE SUNDAY

The Holy Eucharist at 11:15 a.m.
10 March 2024



OLD ST. ANDREW'S PARISH CHURCH

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The Fourth Sunday in Lent

Laetare Sunday

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Welcome!

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

THE INTROIT

Lord, I Trust Thee

Words: Barthold Brockes (1680-1747)

Music: G F Handel (1685-1759)

Lord, I trust thee, I adore thee.
Ah! thou friend of man, restore me!

On thy loving grace relying,
For the bread of life I'm sighing.

Quench my thirst and let my hunger cease,
Fill my heart with joy and endless peace.

When the breath of life has left me,
May my soul be blended with thee.

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 PROCESSIONAL HYMN *(Please Stand)*

Tune: *Cwm Rhondda*



1. Guide me, O Thou great Re - deem - er, pil - grim through this bar - ren land.
2. O - pen now the cry - stal foun - tain, whence the heal - ing stream doth flow;
3. When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious fears sub - side;



I am weak, but Thou art might - y; hold me with Thy power - ful hand.
Let the fire and clou - dy pil - lar lead me all my jour - ney through.
death of death and hell's de - struc - tion, land me safe on Ca - nann's side;



Bread of Hea - ven, Bread of Hea - ven, feed me now and ev - er -
Strong De - liv - erer, strong De - liv - erer, be Thou still my Strength and
songs of prais - es, songs of prais - es, I will ev - er give to



more, feed me now and ev - er - more.
Shield; be Thou still my Strength and Shield.
Thee, I will ev - er give to Thee.

Text: William Williams (1717-1791) tr. Peter Williams (1722-1796), alt.
Music: CWM RHONDDA, John Hughes (1873-1932)

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.

ON THE COVER
Jesus feeds the Five
Thousand
(Stained Glass window
from St. Sulpice church in
Fougeres, France)

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 ACCLAMATION - (BCP 2019 page 123)

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins

People : **His mercy endures forever. 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.**

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 TRISAGION (Sung Three Times)

The musical score for the Trisagion is presented in two systems. Each system consists of a treble staff and a bass staff. The first system contains the lyrics: "Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,". The second system contains the lyrics: "Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us." The music is written in a simple, hymn-like style with a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a common time signature (C).

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People: **And with your spirit.**
Celebrant: Let us pray.

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

(Please be seated)

The Liturgy of the Word

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING

2 Chronicles 36 verses 14-23

¹⁴All the officers of the priests and the people likewise were exceedingly unfaithful, following all the abominations of the nations. And they polluted the house of the LORD that he had made holy in Jerusalem.

¹⁵The LORD, the God of their fathers, sent persistently to them by his messengers, because he had compassion on his people and on his dwelling place. ¹⁶But they kept mocking the messengers of God, despising his words and scoffing at his prophets, until the wrath of the LORD rose against his people, until there was no remedy.

¹⁷Therefore he brought up against them the king of the Chaldeans, who killed their young men with the sword in the house of their sanctuary and had no compassion on young man or virgin, old man or aged. He gave them all into his hand. ¹⁸And all the vessels of the house of God, great and small, and the treasures of the house of the LORD, and the treasures of the king and of his princes, all these he brought to Babylon. ¹⁹And they burned the house of God and broke down the wall of Jerusalem and burned all its palaces with fire and destroyed all its precious vessels. ²⁰He took into exile in Babylon those who had escaped from the sword, and they became servants to him and to his sons until the establishment of the kingdom of Persia, ²¹to fulfill the word of the LORD by the mouth of Jeremiah, until the land had enjoyed its Sabbaths. All the days that it lay desolate it kept Sabbath, to fulfill seventy years.

²²Now in the first year of Cyrus king of Persia, that the word of the LORD by the mouth of Jeremiah might be fulfilled, the LORD stirred up the spirit of Cyrus king of Persia, so that he made a proclamation throughout all his kingdom and also put it in writing: ²³“Thus says Cyrus king of Persia, “The LORD, the God of heaven, has given me all the kingdoms of the earth, and he has charged me to build him a house at Jerusalem, which is in Judah. Whoever is among you of all his people, may the LORD his God be with him. Let him go up.”

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

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 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. I was glad when they said unto me : We will go into the house of the Lord.
2. Our feet shall stand in thy gates : O Jerusalem.
3. Jerusalem is built as a city : that is at unity in itself.
4. For thither the tribes go up, even the tribes of the Lord : to testify unto Israel, to give thanks unto the Name of the Lord.
5. For there is the seat of judgement : even the seat of the house of David.
6. O pray for the peace of Jerusalem : they shall prosper that love thee.
7. Peace be within thy walls : and plenteousness within thy palaces.
8. For my brethren and companions' sakes : I will wish thee prosperity.
9. Yea, because of the house of the Lord our God : I will seek to do thee good.

THE EPISTLE READING

Ephesians 2 verses 1-10


And you were dead in the trespasses and sins ²in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience— ³among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind. ⁴But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, ⁵even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— ⁶and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, ⁷so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. ⁸For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, ⁹not a result of works, so that no one may boast. ¹⁰For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

THE SEQUENCE HYMN

Tune: *St. Flavian*



1. Lord, who through-out these for - ty days for us didst fast and pray,
 2. As thou with Sa - tan didst con - tend and didst the vic - t'ry win,
 3. As thou didst hun - ger bear and thirst, so teach us, gra - cious Lord,
 teach us with thee to mourn our sins, and close by thee to stay.
 O give us strength in thee to fight, in thee to con - quer sin.
 to die to self, and chief - ly live by thy most ho - ly word.

Text: Claudia Frances Hernaman (1838-1898)
 Music: ST. FLAVIAN, melody from *Day's Psalter*, 1562; adapt. and harm. Richard Redhead (1820-1901)

The Scriptures tell us that 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 HOLY GOSPEL

St. John 6 Verses 1-15

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


After this Jesus went away to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, which is the Sea of Tiberias. ²And a large crowd was following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing on the sick. ³Jesus went up on the mountain, and there he sat down with his disciples. ⁴Now the Passover, the feast of the Jews, was at hand. ⁵Lifting up his eyes, then, and seeing that a large crowd was coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread, so that these people may eat?" ⁶He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he would do. ⁷Philip answered him, "Two hundred denarii worth of bread would not be enough for each of them to get a little." ⁸One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, ⁹"There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish, but what are they for so many?" ¹⁰Jesus said, "Have the people sit down." Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, about five thousand in number. ¹¹Jesus then took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated. So also the fish, as much as they wanted. ¹²And when they had eaten their fill, he told his disciples, "Gather up the leftover fragments, that nothing may be lost." ¹³So they gathered them up and filled twelve baskets with fragments from the five barley loaves left by those who had eaten. ¹⁴When the people saw the sign that he had done, they said, "This is indeed the Prophet who is to come into the world!" ¹⁵Perceiving then that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, Jesus withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

The word Gospel comes from the Old English word, gōd-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"

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

THE SEQUENCE HYMN

Tune: *St. Flavian*



4. And through these days of pen - i - tence, and through thy Pas - sion - tide,
 5. A - bide with us, that so, this life of suf - fering o - ver - past,
 yea, ev - er - more, in life and death, Je - sus! with us a - bide.
 an Eas - ter of un - end - ing joy we may at - tain at last!

Text: Claudia Frances Hernaman (1838-1898)
 Music: ST. FLAVIAN, melody from *Day's Psalter*, 1562; adapt. and harm. Richard Redhead (1820-1901)

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 **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.

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 Foley Beach, 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 Curate Fr. Jacob; our Assistant to the Rector, Fr. Joe; and our Assisting Priest Fr David, 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.**

For all those who proclaim the Gospel at home and abroad; and for all who teach and disciple others, in particular, Fr. Zac Nash, Chaplain at Joint Base Charleston; All Saints' Church in Florence and their Rector, Fr. Jason Hamshaw, Chelsea and their family; and for San José Church in the Dominican Republic and their Rector, Fr. Isaac Pringle Mejía; 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, Joe Biden, 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.**

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.

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>

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.

THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM

One Bread, One Body

Words and Music: John B Foley S J (b.1939). Arrangement by Lloyd Larson

One bread, one body, one Lord of all. One cup of blessing which we bless.

And we, though many, throughout the earth,

We serve one Lord, we are one body in this one Lord.

Gentle of Jew, servant or free, women or man, no more

One bread, one body, one Lord of all. One cup of blessing which we bless.

And we, though many, throughout the earth,

We serve one Lord, we are one body in this one Lord.

Grain for the fields, scattered and grown gathered to one, for all.

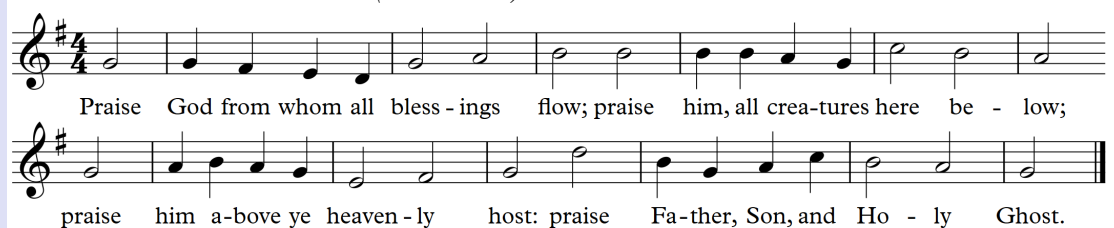
One bread, one body, one Lord of all. One cup of blessing which we bless.

And we, though many, throughout the earth,

We serve one Lord, we are one body in this one Lord.

THE PRESENTATION HYMN (*Please stand*)

Old Hundredth



Praise God from whom all bless - ings flow; praise him, all crea-tures here be - low;
praise him a-bove ye heaven - ly host: praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

Text: Thomas Ken (1637-1711)

Music: OLD HUNDREDTH, Louis Bourgeois (1510?-1561?)

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. Amen**

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.

You bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you.

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

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, Ho - ly,
ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, hea-ven and earth are
full, full of your glo - ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est. 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.

Setting: from *Deutsche Messe*, Franz Peter Schubert (1797-1828)

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.

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

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.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER (BCP 2019 page 134)

Celebrant:

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

Spoken

**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 (BCP 2019 page 135)

Celebrant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

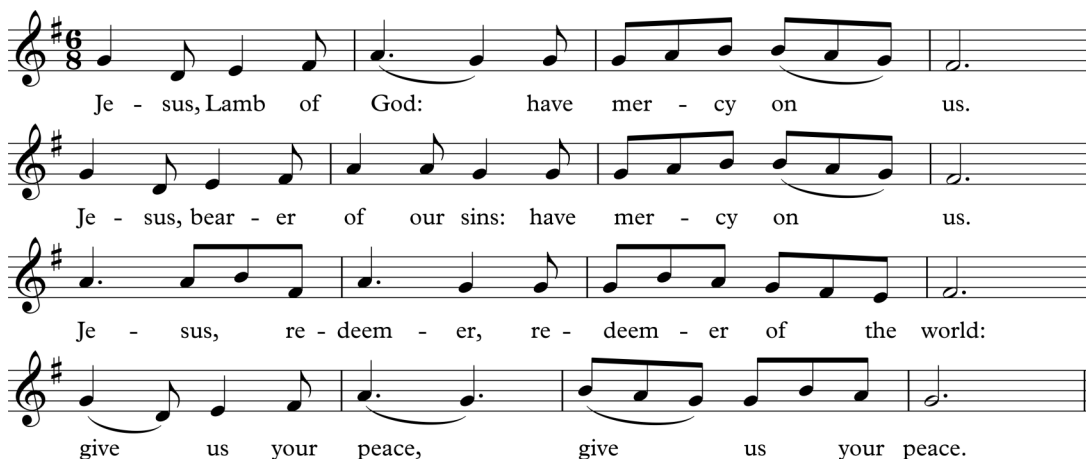
People: **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

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 AGNUS DEI



Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:

give us your peace, give us your peace.

Setting: from *Deutsche Messe*; Franz Peter Schubert (1797-1828); arr. Richard Proulx (1937-2010)

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 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

Agnus Dei

from The Mass for Four Voices by Thomas Morley (c.1557-1602)

Agnus dei qui tollis peccata mundi:miserere nobis.

Agnus dei qui tollis peccata mundi:miserere nobis.

Agnus dei qui tollis peccata mundi:donna nobis pacem.

Lamb of God, who take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, who take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, who take away the sins of the world, grant us peace

The Christian life is deeply personal yet is essentially corporate by nature, not private. Every act of worship is intended not only to glorify God for His own sake, but to lift up and build up one another in Christ for His sake as well. The word “liturgy” literally means “the work of the people.” A central function of liturgy is to send the message that in a worship community there are no bystanders. It is corporate through and through and from one end to the other. Singing is also a form of prayer that can help carry the heart to God not only in the words being sung but beyond the reach of words.

Thomas Morley wrote music for the liturgy of the Church of England. He was a pupil of William Byrd (1543-1623), to whom he dedicated his popular book *A Plaine and Easie Introduction to Practicall Musicke*, published in 1597. Morley was employed at St Paul's in London and became a Gentleman of the Chapel Royal in 1592, publishing his first set of part-songs in 1593. He was later involved in printing and publishing music, for which he was granted a share in the monopoly in 1598.

THE FIRST COMMUNION HYMN

Tune: *Rockingham*

1. My God, thy ta - ble now is spread, thy cup with
2. O let thy ta - ble hon - ored be, and fur - nished
3. Drawn by thy quick - ening grace, O Lord, in coun - tless
4. Nor let thy spread - ing Gos - pel rest till through the
love doth o - ver - flow; be all thy chil - dren
well with joy - ful guests; and may each soul sal -
num - bers let them come and gath - er from their
world thy truth has run, till with this Bread shall
thith - er led, and let them thy sweet mer - cies know.
va - tion see, that here its sa - cred pledg - es tastes.
Fa - ther's board the Bread that lives be - yond the tomb.
all be blessed who see the light or feel the sun.

Text: Sts. 1-3, Philip Doddridge (1702-1751), alt. st. 4, Isaac Watts (1674-1748), alt.

Music: ROCKINGHAM, melody from *Second Supplement to Psalms in Miniature*, ca. 1780; adapt. Edward Miller (1731-1707); harm. Samuel Webbe (1740-1816)

THE SECOND COMMUNION HYMN

Tune: *Let us break bread*

1. Let us break bread wine to - geth - er on our knees;
 2. Let us drink bread wine to - geth - er on our knees.
 let us break bread wine to - geth - er on our knees.

Refrain
 When I fall on my knees with my face to the ris - ing sun,
 O Lord, have mer - cy on me.

3. Let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees;
 let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees.

Text: Afro-American spiritual
 Music: LET US BREAK BREAD, Afro-American spiritual; harm. & arr. Eric Wyse (b. 1959)

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 THIRD COMMUNION HYMN

Tune: *Toplady*

1. I am the Bread of life. they who come to me shall not
 2. The bread that I will give is my Flesh for the life of the
 3. Un - less you eat of the Flesh of the Son of
 4. I am the res - ur - rec - tion, I am the
 5. Yes, Lord, we be - lieve that You are the

hun - ger, they who be - lieve in me shall not thirst.
 world, and they who eat of this bread,
 Man of His blood, you
 life. They who be - lieve in me,
 Christ, the Son of God,

No one can come to me un - less the Fa - ther draw them.
 they shall live for - ever, they shall live for - ev - er.
 shall not have life with - in you, you shall not have life with - in you.
 e - ven if they die, they shall live for - ev - er.
 who has come in - to the world.

Refrain
 And I will raise them up, and I will raise them
 up, and I will raise them up on the last day.

Text: John 6, adapt. Suzanne Toolan, RSM, (b. 1927)
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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.

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)

THE RECESSIONAL HYMN (*Please stand*)

Tune: *New Britain*



1. A - maz - ing grace! how sweet the sound, that saved a wretch like me!
2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears re - lieved;
3. The Lord has prom - ised good to me, his Word my hope se - cures;
4. Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares, I have al - rea - dy come;
5. When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright shin - ing as the sun,



I once was lost but now am found, was blind but now I see.
how pre - cious did that grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!
he will my shield and por - tion be as long as life en - dures.
'tis grace that brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
we've no less days to sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

Text: John Newton (1725-1807), alt.; st. 5, John Rees (19th cent.)
Music: NEW BRITAIN, from *Virginia Harmony*, 1831; adapt. att. Edwin Othello Excell (1851-1921)

We Go Out to Serve God

The Dismissal and Commissioning

(BCP page 138)

Priest or Deacon:

Our worship has concluded; our service begins.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People:

Thanks be to God!

Postlude: Postlude in F minor by Luise Adolpha Le Beau (1850-1927)

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