# St. Andrew's Parish Church

established 1706



THE NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST The Holy Eucharist at 11:15 a.m. 19 October 2025



# Welcoming All, Worshipping Christ Witnessing God's Love



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Come and join the wonderful voices of Vox Regis, the King's Counterpoint chamber choir, as they take us on a journey through the glories of Spanish polyphony, with the emphasis being on music written for the period of All Saints' and All Souls and Allhallows

# "Sacred Music for All Souls" Choral Masterpieces of the Spanish Renaissance





Music from the 1500s/1600s, including stunning works by Morales, Guerrero, Padilla and Lobo. The program also features movements from the beautifully written Officium Defunctorum, composed by the revered Spanish composer Tomas Luis de Victoria in 1605.

Cathedral of St. John the Baptist, 120 Broad St. Charleston. 29401 Sunday, 26th October at 2.00pm

Reserved \$25, General Admission \$20, Seniors \$15 University Students \$10, Under 18 FREE Tickets available from David or Judith, or via the website: www.thekingscounterpoint.com

## The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

19th October 2025 The Holy Eucharist at 11:15 a.m.

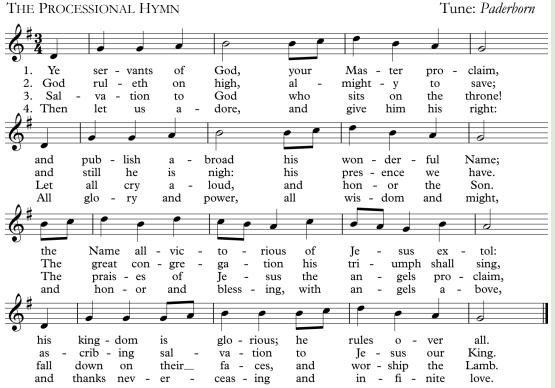
THE INTROIT

SUNG BY OUR PARISH CHOIR

#### If ye love me, keep my commandments

Words: St. John 14 verses 15-17 Music: Thomas Tallis (c.1505-c.1585)

If ye love me, keep my commandments,
And I will pray the Father
And he shall give you another comforter,
That he may 'bide with you for ever,
E'en the spirit of truth.



Text: Charles Wesley (1707-1788), alt.

Music: PADERBORN, melody from Catolisch-Paderbornisches Gesang-buch, 1765

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 **wel-come 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. The Persistent Widow St. Luke 18 verses 1-8 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)

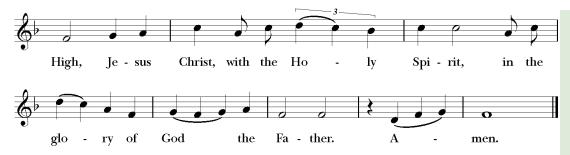
Celebrant: Lord, have mercy upon us.

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.

Set us free, loving Father, from the bondage of our sins, and in your goodness and mercy give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of 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

Genesis 32:3-8, 22-30

<sup>3</sup> And Jacob sent messengers before him to Esau his brother in the land of Seir, the country of Edom, <sup>4</sup> instructing them, "Thus you shall say to my lord Esau: Thus says your servant Jacob, 'I have sojourned with Laban and stayed until now. <sup>5</sup> I have oxen, donkeys, flocks, male servants, and female servants. I have sent to tell my lord, in order that I may find favor in your sight."

<sup>6</sup> And the messengers returned to Jacob, saying, "We came to your brother Esau, and he is coming to meet you, and there are four hundred men with him." <sup>7</sup> Then Jacob was greatly afraid and distressed. He divided the people who were with him, and the flocks and herds and camels, into two camps, <sup>8</sup> thinking, "If Esau comes to the one camp and attacks it, then the camp that is left will escape."

<sup>22</sup> The same night he arose and took his two wives, his two female servants, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. <sup>23</sup> He took them and sent them across the stream, and everything else that he had. <sup>24</sup> And Jacob was left alone. And a man wrestled with him until the breaking of the day. <sup>25</sup> When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he touched his hip socket, and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. <sup>26</sup> Then he said, "Let me go, for the day has broken." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go unless you bless me." <sup>27</sup> And he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." <sup>28</sup> Then he said, "Your name shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with men, and have prevailed." <sup>29</sup> Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. <sup>30</sup> So Jacob called the name of the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life has been delivered."

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. I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills: from whence cometh my help.
- 2. My help cometh even from the Lord: who hath made heaven and earth
- 3. He will not suffer thy foot to be mov'd: and he that keepeth thee will not sleep.
- 4. Behold he that keepeth Israel: shall neither slumber nor sleep.
- 5. The Lord himself is thy keeper: the Lord is thy defence upon thy right hand.
- 6. So that the sun shall not burn thee by day: neither the moon by night
- 7. The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil: uea it is even he that shall keep thy soul.
- 8. The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in : from this time forth for evermore.

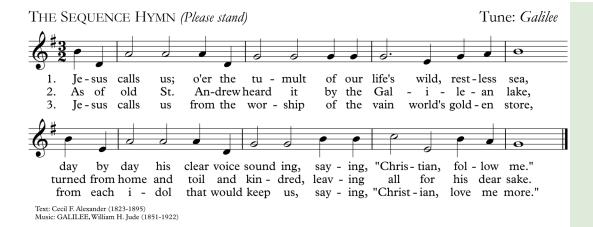
#### THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

2 Timothy 3: 14-4:5

<sup>14</sup> But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it <sup>15</sup> and how from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. <sup>16</sup> All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, <sup>17</sup> that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.

4 I charge you in the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and by his appearing and his kingdom: <sup>2</sup> preach the word; be ready in season and out of season; reprove, rebuke, and exhort, with complete patience and teaching. <sup>3</sup> For the time is coming when people will not endure sound teaching, but having itching ears they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own passions, <sup>4</sup> and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander off into myths. <sup>5</sup> As for you, always be sober-minded, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill your ministry.

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



THE HOLY GOSPEL

St. Luke 18 Verses 1-8

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

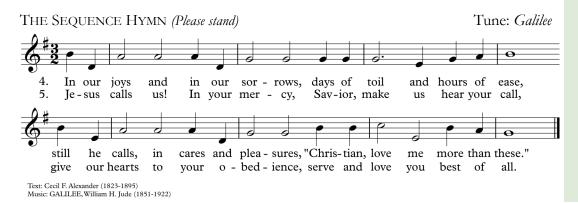
And Jesus told them a parable to the effect that they ought always to pray and not lose heart. <sup>2</sup>He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor respected man. <sup>3</sup>And there was a widow in that city who kept coming to him and saying, 'Give me justice against my adversary.' <sup>4</sup>For a while he refused, but afterward he said to himself, 'Though I neither fear God nor respect man, <sup>5</sup> yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will give her justice, so that she will not beat me down by her continual coming." <sup>6</sup> And the Lord said, "Hear what the unrighteous judge says. <sup>7</sup> And will not God give justice to his elect, who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long over them? <sup>8</sup> I tell you, he will give justice to them speedily. Nevertheless, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

Gospeller: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

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 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"



#### 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.

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 Nicene Creed is a

statement of what the Chris-

tian 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."

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.

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)

"Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling."

Words: Will L Thompson Music: Raymond Brown

Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling, calling for you and for me. See on the portals he's waiting and watching, watching for you and for me.

Refrain: Come home, come home; you who are weary, come home. Earnestly, tenderly Jesus is calling, calling, "Oh, sinner, come home."

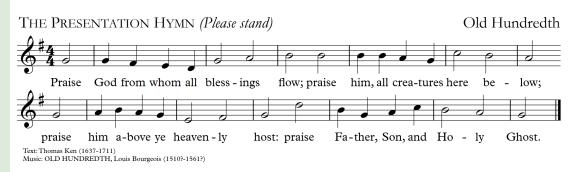
Why should we tarry when Jesus is pleading, pleading for you and for me? Why should we linger and heed not his mercies, mercies for you and for me.

Time is now fleeting; the moments are passing, passing for you and for me. Shadows are gath'ring, death's night is coming, coming for you and for me.

Oh, for the wonderful love he has promised, promised for you and for me! Though we have sinned, he has mercy and pardon, pardon for you and for me

Refrain: Come home, come home.....

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.

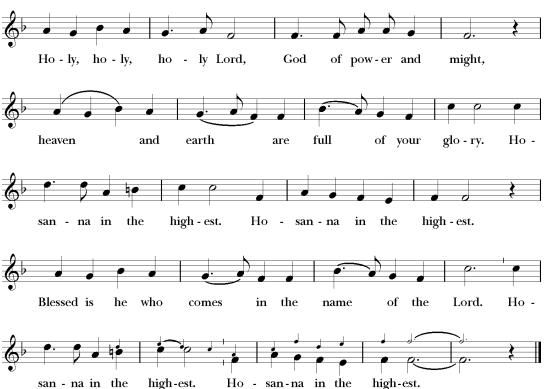
#### The Celebrant continues

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)

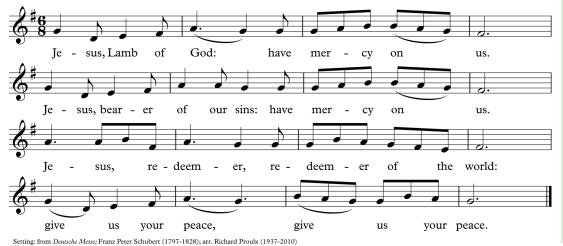
Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us. Celebrant:

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 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

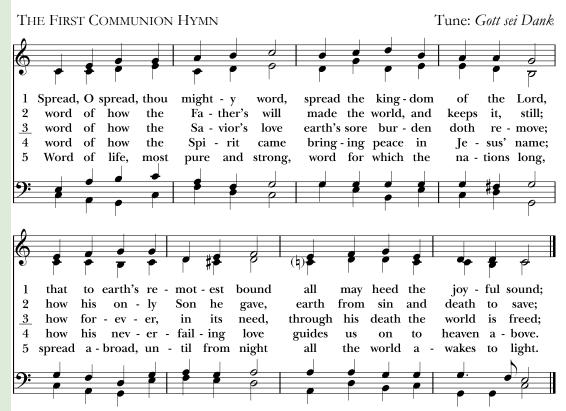
(Sung by our Parish Choir)

#### Teach me, O Lord

Words: from Psalm 119, verse 33 Music: Thomas Attwood (1765-1838)

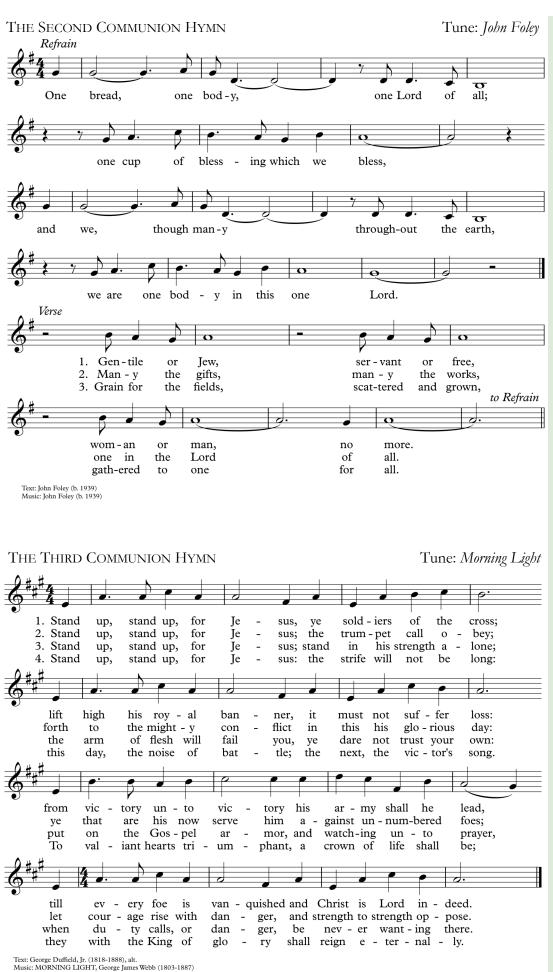
Teach me, O Lord, the way of Thy statutes; And I will keep it until the end.

At first a chorister in the Chapel Royal, Thomas Attwood, in 1781, became a Page in the house-hold of the Prince of Wales, who sent him to study in Naples and then in Vienna, in the latter city as a pupil of Mozart. Returning to London in 1787, he continued his connection with the court and was appointed organist at St Paul's Cathedral and composer of the Chapel Royal, eventually to take the position of organist. In the last decade of the eighteenth century he wrote a quantity of music for the theatre, but his principal contribution in the end turned out to be to church music.



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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.



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.

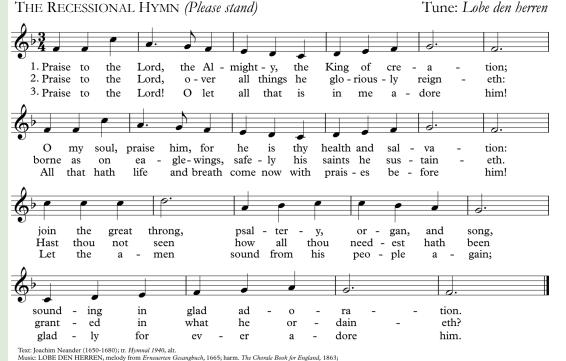
Heavenly Father, We thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal Kingdom. And now, Father, send us out 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 us.

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



Ausic: LOBE DEN HERREN, melody from Erneuerten Gesangbuch, 1665; harm. The Chorale Book for England, 1863

#### 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 Aeolian Fanfare by Charles Callahan (1951–2023)