Saint John's Anglican Church

The Twenty-Third Sunday After Trinity
Proper 27
November 8, 2026
11:15 am

Prelude
Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Thy Word Anton Wilhelm Leupold (1868-1940)

All stand.

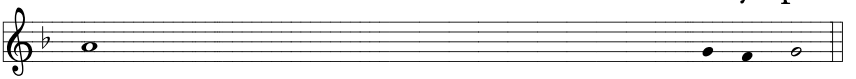
Introit Hymn 574
Before Thy Throne *St. Petersburg*

THE INTRODUCTION

The Acclamation (Prayer Book, 105)

The People standing, the Celebrant says

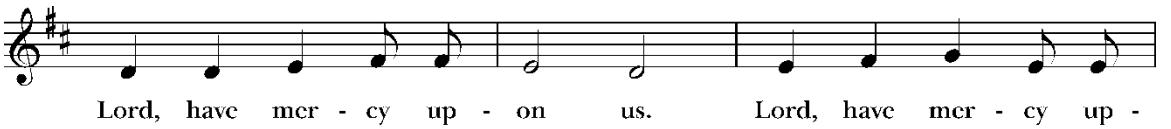
✠ Blessed be God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

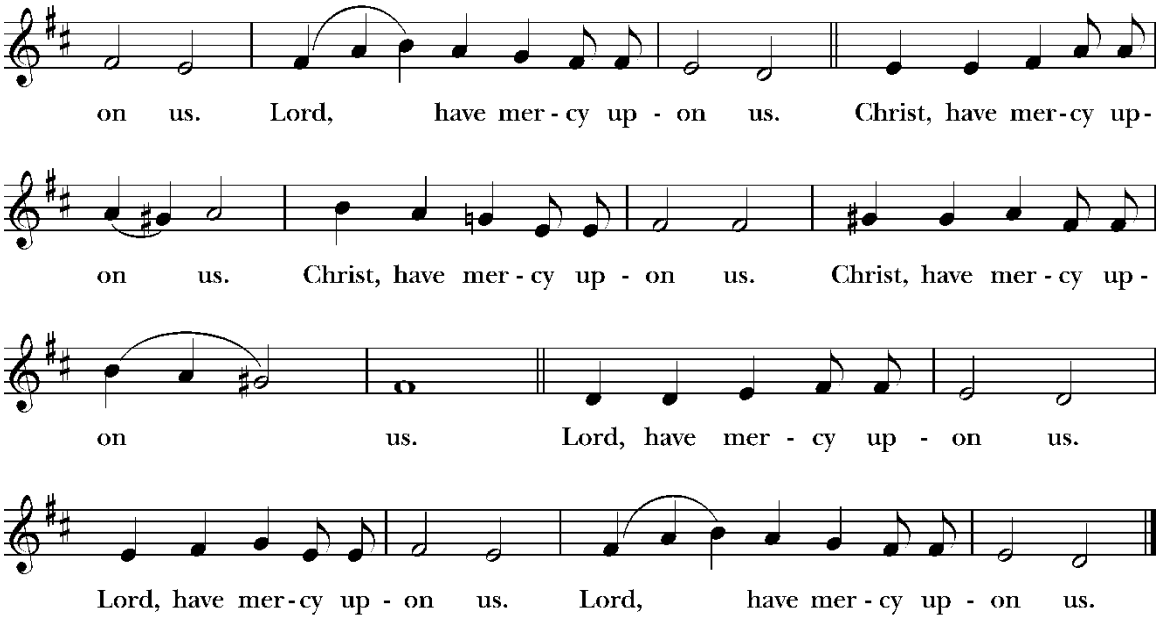


People And blessed be his kingdom, now and forev-er. A-men.

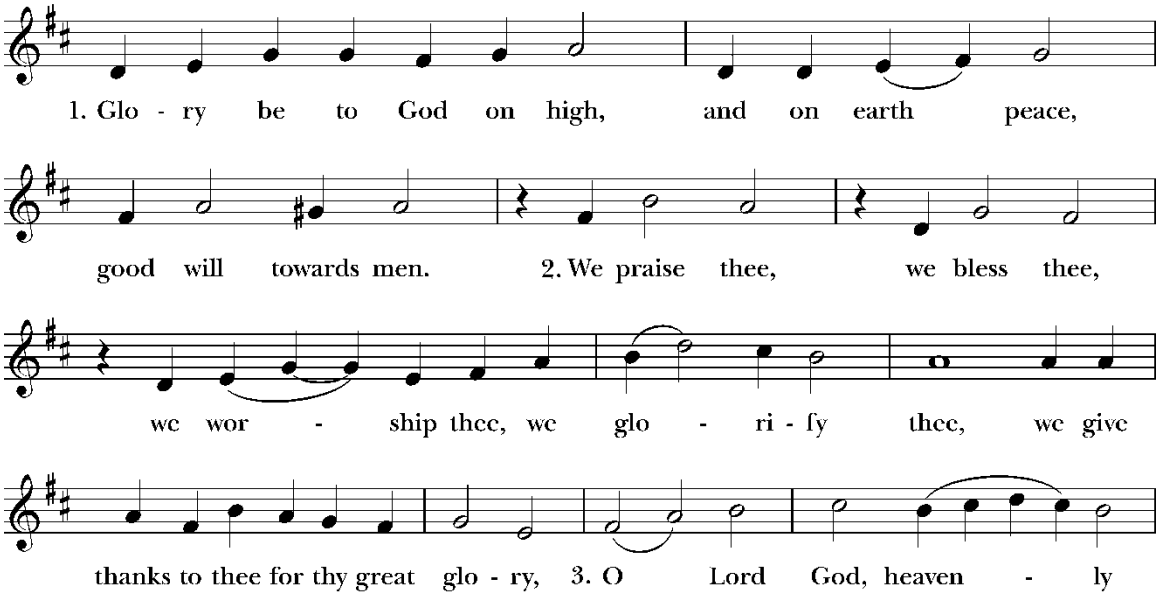
The Collect for Purity and the Summary of the Law (Prayer Book, 106)
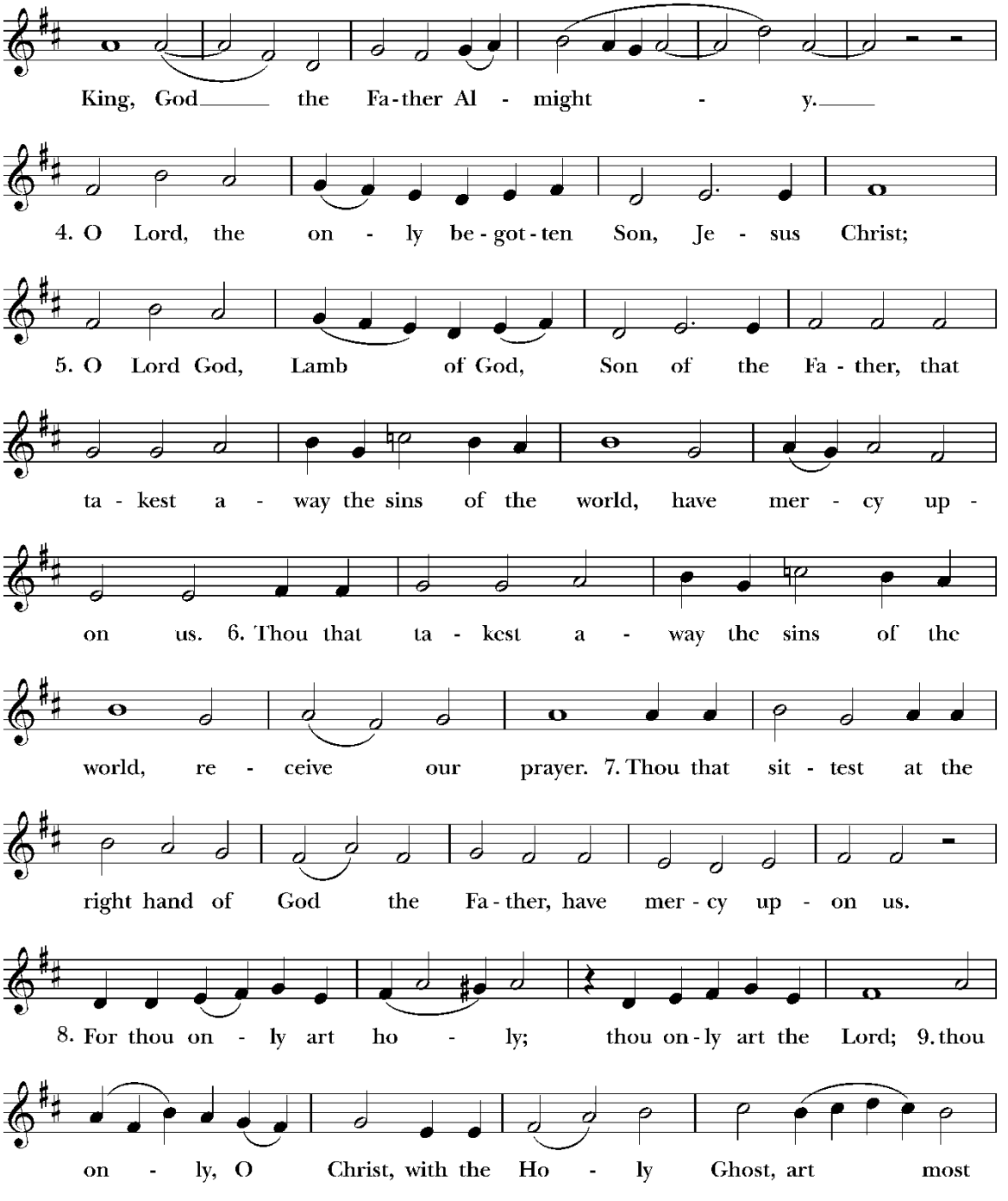
Kyrie (Hymnal, S-91)

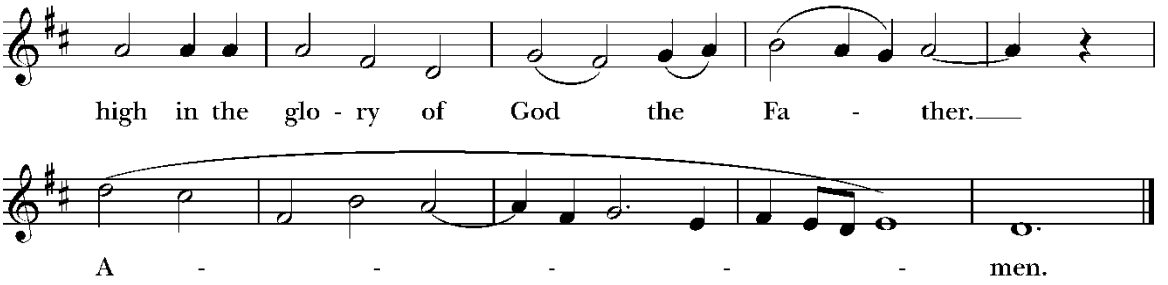




Gloria in excelsis (Hymnal, S–202)




King, God the Fa-ther Al - might - y.
4. O Lord, the on - ly be - got - ten Son, Je - sus Christ;
5. O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa - ther, that
ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, have mer - cy up -
on us. 6. Thou that ta - kest a - way the sins of the
world, re - ceive our prayer. 7. Thou that sit - test at the
right hand of God the Fa - ther, have mer - cy up - on us.
8. For thou on - ly art ho - ly; thou on - ly art the Lord; 9. thou
on - ly, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost, art most



The Collect of the Day (Prayer Book, 622)

The Celebrant says to the People

The Lord be with you.
People And with thy spirit.
Celebrant Let us pray.

All kneel. The Celebrant prays the Collect.

GOD, whose blessed Son was manifested that he might destroy the works of the devil, and make us the sons of God, and heirs of eternal life: Grant us, we beseech thee, that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves, even as he is pure; that, when he shall appear again with power and great glory, we may be made like unto him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where with thee, O Father, and thee, O Holy Ghost, he liveth and reigneth, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

All sit.

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

The Lesson Amos 5:18–24

WOE to you who desire the day of the LORD! Why would you have the day of the LORD? It is darkness, and not light, as if a man fled from a lion, and a bear met him, or went into the house and leaned his hand against the wall, and a serpent bit him. Is not the day of the LORD darkness, and not light, and gloom with no brightness in it? "I hate, I despise your feasts, and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies. Even though you offer me your burnt offerings and grain offerings, I will

not accept them; and the peace offerings of your fattened animals, I will not look upon them. Take away from me the noise of your songs; to the melody of your harps I will not listen. But let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

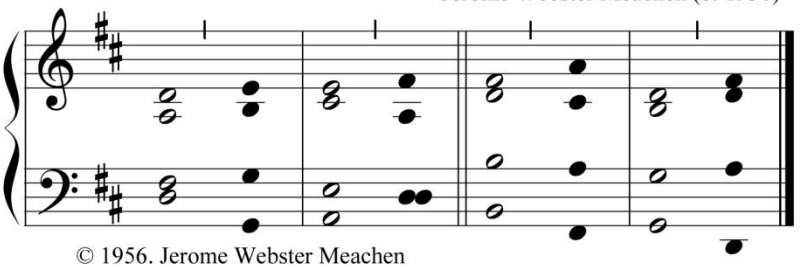
After the Lesson, the Reader says

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Gradual Psalm 70

Jerome Webster Meachen (b. 1930)



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HASTEN, O God, to de | liver me; |
make haste to help me, O | Lord. ‖
Let them be ashamed and confounded who seek after my | life; |
let them be turned back and put to confusion who wish me | evil. ‖
Let them be soon brought to | shame |
who cry over me, "Aha! A | ha!" ‖
But let all those who seek you be joyful and glad in | you; |
and let all who delight in your salvation say always,
"The Lord be | praised." ‖
As for me, I am poor and in | misery; |
hasten to me, O | God. ‖
You are my helper and my de | liverer; |
O Lord, do not | tarry. ‖

The Epistle 1 Thessalonians 4:13–18

BUT we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep. For this we declare to you by a word from the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will not precede those who have fallen asleep. For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

After the Epistle, the Reader says

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

All stand.

Sequence Hymn 596, vv. 1–2

Judge Eternal *Komm, O komm du Geist des Lebens*

The Gospel St. Matthew 25:1–13

All standing, the Deacon reads the Gospel, first saying

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

People Glory be to thee, Lord Christ.

THEN the kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. For when the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, they all became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a cry, 'Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' Then all those virgins rose and trimmed their lamps. And the foolish said

to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise answered, saying, 'Since there will not be enough for us and for you, go rather to the dealers and buy for yourselves.' And while they were going to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the marriage feast, and the door was shut. Afterward the other virgins came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' But he answered, 'Truly, I say to you, I do not know you.' Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.

After the Gospel, the Deacon says

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise be to thee, Lord Christ.

Sermon Hymn 596, v. 3

Judge Eternal *Komm, O komm du Geist des Lebens*

The Sermon The Rev. Sam Wilgus

The Nicene Creed (Prayer Book, 144)

All stand to recite the Nicene Creed, the Celebrant first saying

Let us confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed:

Celebrant and People

I BELIEVE in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible;

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, (here bow) and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; (here rise) and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost the Lord, and Giver of Life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church; I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, ✠ and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People (Prayer Book, 110)

All kneel. After each paragraph, the Reader says:

Lord, in thy mercy:
People Hear our prayer.

THE PREPARATION

The Confession, Absolution of Sin, and Comfortable Words (Prayer Book, 112)

After the Deacon invites the People to confession, all say

ALMIGHTY God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all men: We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine majesty, provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us, the burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honor and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Celebrant alone stands and says the Absolution and the Comfortable Words.

The Peace (Prayer Book, 114)

All stand. The Celebrant says to the People

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And with thy spirit.

Offertory Anthem

Sing to the Lord of Harvest — Robert Wetzler (1932–)

Sing to the Lord of harvest, sing songs of love and praise;
With joyful hearts and voices your alleluias raise!

By him the rolling season in fruitful order move;
Sing to the Lord of harvest a song of joy and love.

God sends the welcome rainfall, the deserts bloom and sing.
The hills leap up in gladness, the valleys laugh and sing.

God fills them with his fullness, all things with large increase,
He crowns the year with goodness, with plenty and with peace.

Heap on God's sacred altar the gifts his goodness gave;
The golden sheaves of harvest, the souls Christ died to save.

Your hearts lay down before him when at his feet you fall,
and with your lives adore him who gave his life for all.

To God the gracious Father, the giver of all good,
To Christ, who when we wander, restores us with His blood.

And to the Holy Spirit who does upon us pour,
the blessed dews and sunshine, be praise forevermore.

The Doxology
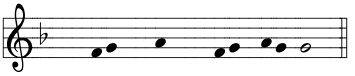
All stand and sing

PRAISE God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

The Sursum Corda and Proper Preface (Prayer Book, 115, 152)
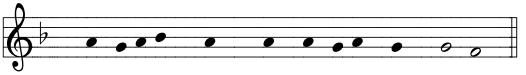
The People remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and sings

The Lord be with you.
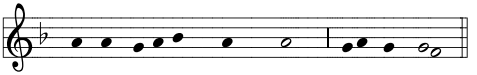


People And with thy spi-rit.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.



People We lift them up un-to the Lord.

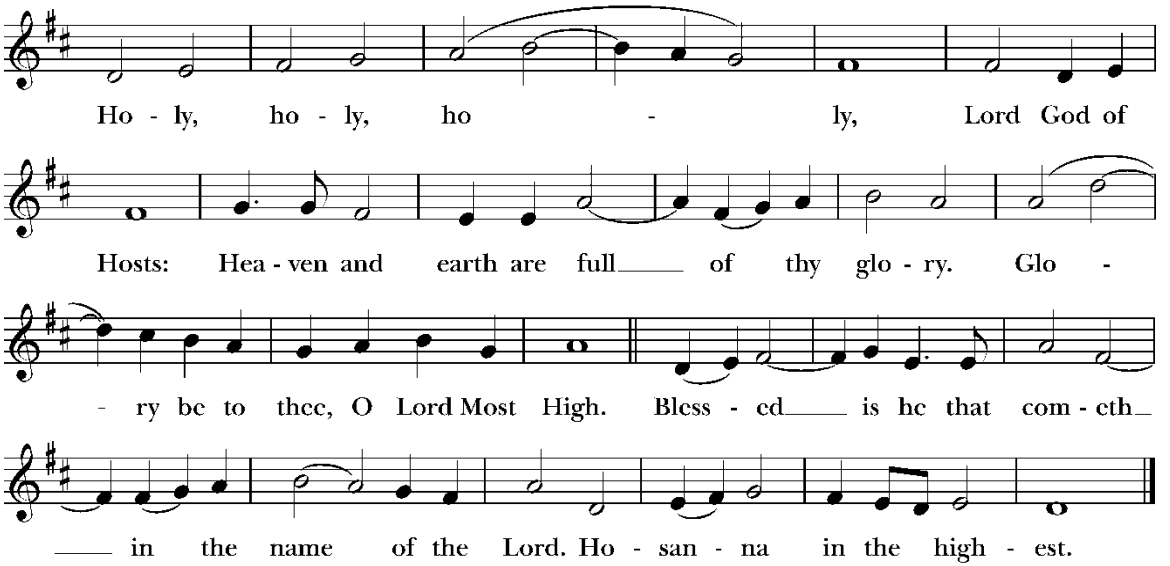
Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.



People It is meet and right so to do.

The Celebrant continues with the Preface.

Sanctus (Hymnal, S-114)



The Prayer of Consecration (Prayer Book, 115)

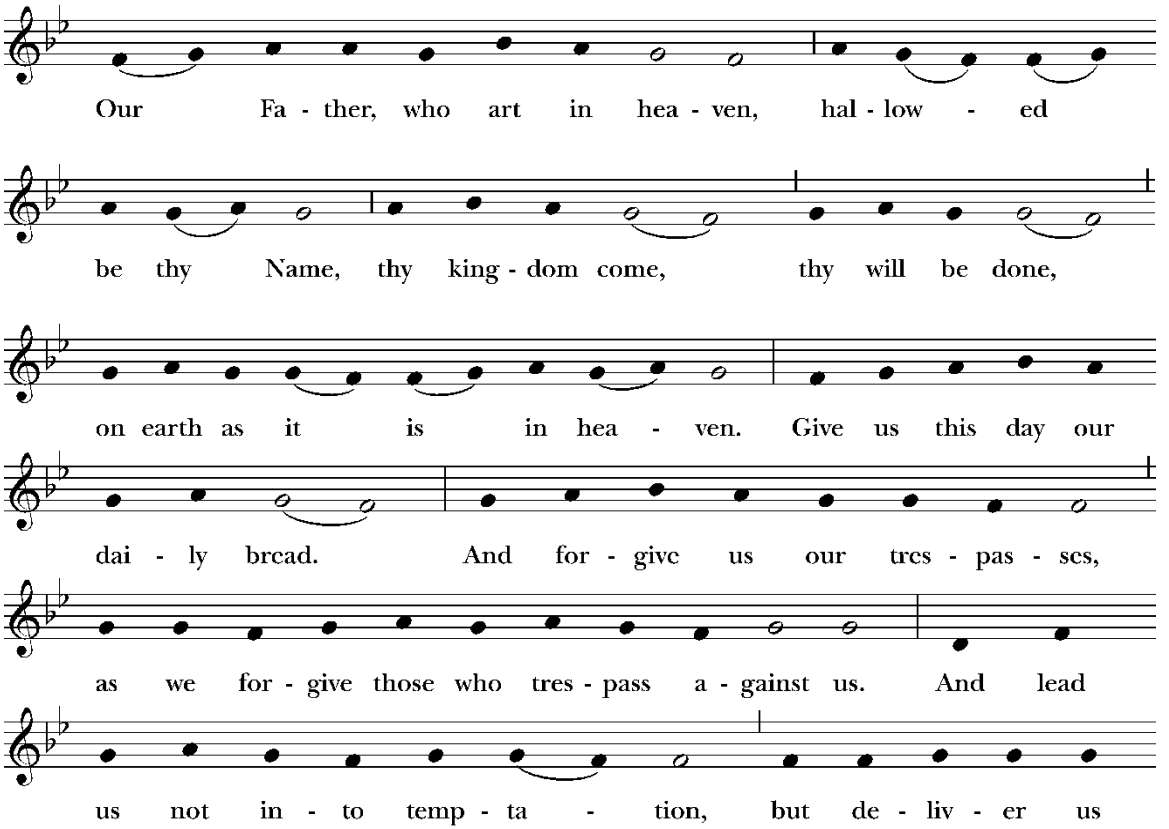
The People kneel. The Celebrant concludes the Prayer saying

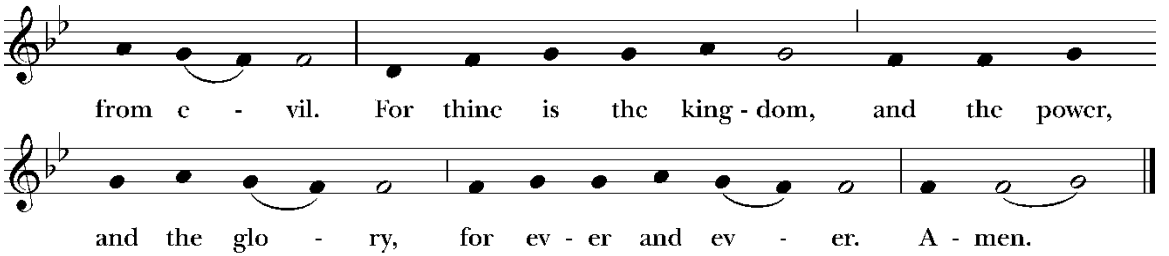
O FATHER Almighty, world without end. *Amen.*

The Lord's Prayer (Hymnal, S-119)

The Celebrant then says

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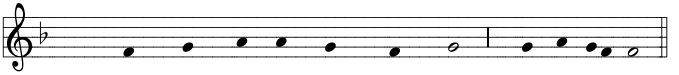




The Fraction

The Celebrant breaks the bread. Silence is kept. Then he says:

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.



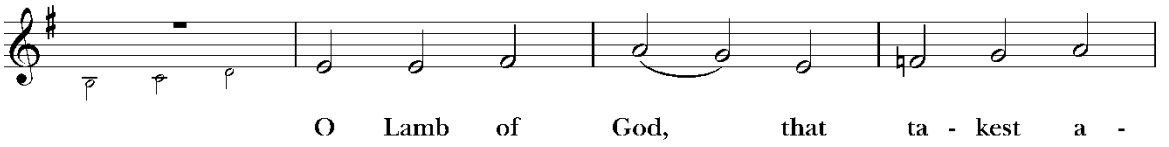
People There-fore let us keep the feast. Al-le-lu-ia.

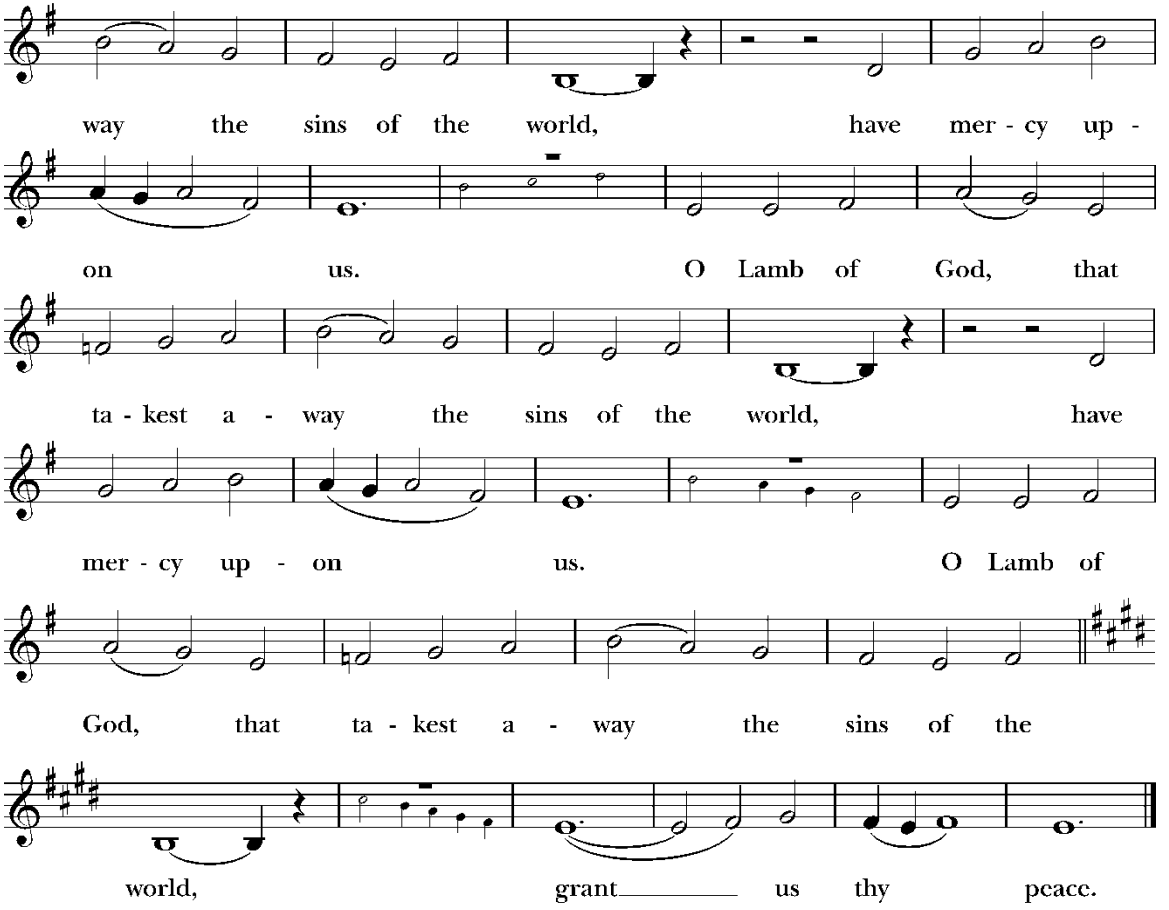
The Prayer of Humble Access (Prayer Book, 119)

Celebrant and People together say

WE do not presume to come to this thy table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy table; but thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy 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.

Agnus Dei (Hymnal, S-158)





The Ministration of Communion (Prayer Book, 120)

The Ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the People.

All persons who have been baptized with water in the Name of the Holy Trinity and have been admitted to Holy Communion in their own Church are welcome to receive Holy Communion with us. If you do not wish to receive Holy Communion but wish to receive a blessing, simply come forward and cross your arms over your chest to indicate your intention.

Communion Hymn 324
Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence *Picardy*

THE THANKSGIVING

The Post Communion Prayer (Prayer Book, 120)

Celebrant and People kneeling together say the following

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us, thereby, of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works that thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

The Blessing (Prayer Book, 121)

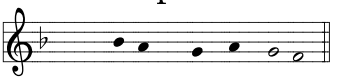
All stand.

Recessional Hymn 680
O God Our Help in Ages Past *St. Anne*

The Dismissal (Prayer Book, 122)

The Deacon dismisses the People with these words

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.



People Thanks be to God.

Postlude
St. Anne Healey Willan (1880–1968)

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Parish Bulletin – November 8, 2026

Memorials.....

The flowers on the High Altar were given in loving memory and in the celebration of the life of Walter T. Lavelle *(Renée Lavelle).*

The flowers in the Lady Chapel were given in memory of Claud Thomas and Clyde Meece and their sacrifice in World War I *(Trish Williamson).*

The Sanctuary Candle was given to the Glory of God and in honor of the birthday of her grandson, Josh Williamson *(Trish Williamson).*

The De Profundis will ring on Nov. 10th in memory of Nela Brown and on Nov. 11th in memory of Claud Thomas & Clyde Meece *(Trish Williamson).*

Prayers.....

FOR Wanda, Ann, Cindy, Vic, Courtney, Dale & Glenda, Carol, Alison & Ben, Billy, Renee, Brooke, Sara, Karin, Kashton & Kohan, Chris, Tom, Joni & Chelsea, Kenneth, Teresa, Sharon & Frank, Mike, Lisa, Kendra, Amanda, Seth, Jack, Kate, Mark, Amy, Billy, George, Andrew, Tom, Monty, Dana, Charro, Bret, Benjamin, Nikki, Josephine, Israel & Dorina, Isaac, Micaela, Mark, Jennifer, Knight Family, Richard, George, Jase, Donna, Mike, Rita, Patrick, Brenda, Mike, Benito, Rene, Annelle, Kathy, Silas, Jason, George, Moriah, Virgil, Kevin, Waylon, Charles, Keaton, Chuck, Sharon, The Perera Family, Patricia, Joe & Family, and Kristin.

For all in our armed forces, especially Danushka Fernando.

For those traveling.

For the faithful departed.

For all celebrating birthdays, especially Kristy Leaseburg, Thor Truelson *(Nov. 12),* Larue Perkins *(Nov. 13).*

For all celebrating anniversaries, especially Michael & Christina Pavlovsky *(Nov. 12),* Jim & Linda Harvey, Thomas & Jennifer Truelson *(Nov. 13).*

St. John's Music Ministries

Chancel Choir rehearsals:
Thursdays, 7-8 pm

Chancel Bells rehearsals:
Thursdays, 6-6:45 pm
(began as of September 3)

Children's Choir rehearsals:
Thursdays, 4:15-5 pm
(began as of September 10)

St. John's Children's Choir

Please contact Karen Clark for more information.

Vestry

Jeff Anderson (2029), *Sr. Warden*
Chris Stevens (2027), *Jr. Warden*
Mark DeYoung (2029), *Clerk*

Bryan Blakely (2027)
Steve Sparks (2027)
Mike Beaupré (2027)

Debbie Baptiste (2028)
Josh Lambert (2028)
Brianna Wilcox (2028)

Nelumdini Samaranayake (2029)
Steven St. Clair (2028)
Tim Watkins (2029)

Bob Hampton (ex officio), *Treasurer*

Parish Office Hours
Tues-Fri, 9:00 AM-1:00 PM

Sunday Morning Ministries

Stay up to date on who is serving in each ministry every week by using the QR code below to access the Google Docs spreadsheet maintained by all ministry leaders.

Upcoming Events

Saint John's Annual Chili Cook-Off
Wednesday, November 11th
6:00 pm, Gregory Hall

