



Third Sunday of Easter

Sunday, May 4, 2025 ❖ 10:00 am

Celebrant/Preacher: The Rev. Jason Shelby
Deacon: The Rev. Celeste Stump

We warmly welcome you if you are here with us for the first time today. We joyfully welcome all people into our community without exception. Whoever you are, and whatever the status of your relationship with God, you will find fellow travelers here. Please join us for coffee and fellowship after the service.

Flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in celebration of Sue and Jack Ferme who are with us this last Sunday before moving to Dallas, Texas.

Please take a moment to silence your cellphone. Thank you.

Coming Events

Sunday, May 4

- 8:00 am Holy Eucharist (Rite I, Chapel)
- 10:00 am Holy Eucharist (Rite II)

Monday, May 5

- 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday, May 7

- 10:00 am Holy Eucharist (Rite II, Chapel)
- 5:00 pm Good Grief Group Meeting
- 6:00 pm Nurture Group Meeting

Thursday, May 8

- 1:00 pm Quilting and Knitting Group
- 7:00 pm Adult Christian Education: Screwtape Letter class led by Dale Westervelt

Friday, May 9

- 9:00 am Beaders Group
- 4:00 pm Jon Kirchofer Memorial Service

Saturday, May 10

- 12:00 am Memorial Service & Reception for John Pasquariello
- 3:30 pm Mother's Day Cinnamon Rolls Preparation

Sunday, May 11

- 8:00 am Holy Eucharist (Rite I, Chapel)
- 10:00 am Holy Eucharist (Rite II)
- 11:30 am Antiques Show Planning Meeting

The Word of God

Please stand as able and join in singing.

The Processional Hymn

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

Hymnal #460

Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus! His the scep - ter, his the throne;
 Al - le - lu - ia! Not as orph - ans are we left in sor - row now;
 Al - le - lu - ia! Bread of Heav - en, thou on earth our food, our stay!
 Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, thee the Lord of lords we own;
 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus! His the scep - ter, his the throne;

Al - le - lu - ia! His the tri - umph, his the vic - to - ry a - lone;
 Al - le - lu - ia! He is near us, faith be - lieves, nor ques - tions how;
 Al - le - lu - ia! here the sin - ful flee to thee from day to day;
 Al - le - lu - ia! born of Ma - ry, earth thy foot - stool, heaven thy throne;
 Al - le - lu - ia! His the tri - umph, his the vic - to - ry a - lone;

Hark! the songs of peace - ful Zi - on thun - der like a might - y flood;
 'Though the cloud from sight re - ceived him when the for - ty days were o'er,
 In - ter - ces - sor friend of sin - ners, earth's Re - deem - er, plead for me,
 thou with - in the veil hast en - tered, robed in flesh, our great High Priest:
 Hark! the songs of ho - ly Zi - on thun - der like a might - y flood;

Je - sus out of ev - 'ry na - tion hath re - deemed us by his blood.
 shall our hearts for - get his prom - ise, "I am with you ev - er - more?"
 where the songs of all the sin - less sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.
 thou on earth both Priest and Vic - tim in the eu - cha - ris - tic feast.
 Je - sus out of ev - 'ry na - tion hath re - deemed us by his blood.

The Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is risen!
People **The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

The Collect for Purity

Celebrant Almighty God,
People **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 Gloria

Gloria

Hymnal #S-280

Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace — to his peo-ple on earth. Lord God, heaven-ly King, al-
7 might-y — God and Fa - ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.
13 Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a-way the
19 sin of the world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re - ceive our
26 prayer. For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord, you a-lone are the Most
32 High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spi-rit, in the glo - ry of God — the Fa - ther. A - men.

Setting by Robert Powell, S-280 The Hymnal 1982

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Please be seated.

The First Lesson: Acts 9:1-6

Reader A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

¹Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest ²and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any who belonged to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. ³Now as he was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. ⁴He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" ⁵He asked, "Who are you, Lord?" The reply came, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. ⁶But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do."

Reader The Word of the Lord

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Response: Psalm 30

Reader Let us read from Psalm 30 responsively (the People reading the text in bold).

Hear, O Lord, and have mer - cy up - on me, hear, O
 6 Lord, and have mer - cy up - on me, O Lord, be my help-er, O Lord,
 13 be my help - er.

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¹I will exalt you, O LORD,
 because you have lifted me up *
and have not let my enemies triumph over me.

²O LORD my God, I cried out to you, *
and you restored me to health.

³You brought me up, O LORD, from the dead; *
you restored my life as I was going down to the grave.

⁴Sing to the LORD, you servants of his; *
give thanks for the remembrance of his holiness. Refrain

⁵For his wrath endures but the twinkling of an eye, *
his favor for a lifetime.

⁶Weeping may spend the night, *
but joy comes in the morning.

⁷While I felt secure, I said,
 "I shall never be disturbed. *
You, LORD, with your favor, made me as strong as the mountains."

⁸Then you hid your face, *
and I was filled with fear. Refrain

⁹I cried to you, O LORD; *

I pleaded with the Lord, saying,

¹⁰“What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to the Pit? *

will the dust praise you or declare your faithfulness?

¹¹Hear, O LORD, and have mercy upon me; *

O LORD, be my helper.”

¹²You have turned my wailing into dancing; *

you have put off my sack-cloth and clothed me with joy.

¹³Therefore my heart sings to you without ceasing; *

O LORD my God, I will give you thanks for ever. Refrain

The Second Lesson: Revelation 5:11-14

Reader A Reading from the Revelation of John.

¹¹I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels surrounding the throne and the living creatures and the elders; they numbered myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands,

¹²singing with full voice,

“Worthy is the Lamb that was slaughtered
to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might
and honor and glory and blessing!”

¹³Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, singing,

“To the one seated on the throne and to the Lamb
be blessing and honor and glory and might
forever and ever!”

¹⁴And the four living creatures said, “Amen!” And the elders fell down and worshiped.

Reader The Word of the Lord

People **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand as able and join in singing.

The Sequence Hymn

Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim

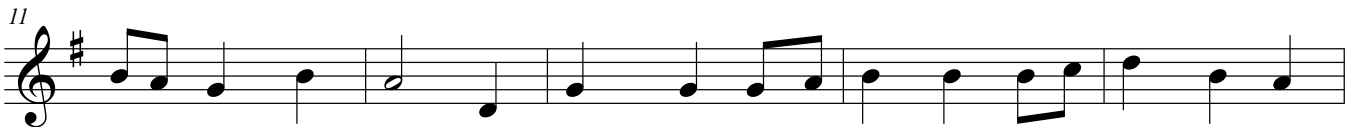
Hymnal #535



Ye ser-vants of God, your Mas - ter pro - claim, and pub - lish a -
God rul - eth on high, al - might - y to save; and still he is
Sal - va - tion to God who sits on the throne! Let all cry a -
Then let us a - dore, and give him his right: All glo - ry and



broad his won - der - ful Name; the Name all vic - to - rious of
nigh: his pres - ence we have. The great con - gre - ga - tion his
loud, and hon - or the Son. The prais - es of Je - sus the
power, all wis - dom and might, and hon - or and bless - ing, with



Je - sus ex - tol: his king - dom is glo - rious; he rules o - ver
tri - umph shall sing, as - crib - ing sal - va - tion to Je - sus our
an - gels pro - claim, fall down on their fa - ces, and wor - ship the
an - gels a - bove, and thanks nev - er - ceas - ing and in - fin - ite



all.
King.
Lamb.
love.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788), alt. Music: "Paderborn," melody from
"Catolisch-Paderbornisches Gesang-buch," 1765; harm. Sydney Hugo Nicholson (1875-1947).

Please remain standing as able.

The Gospel: John 21:1-19

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

¹Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. ²Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. ³Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

⁴Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. ⁵Jesus said to them, "Children, you have no fish, have you?" They answered him, "No." ⁶He said to them, "Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. ⁷That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord,

he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the sea. ⁸But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off.

⁹When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread.

¹⁰Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." ¹¹So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. ¹²Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast."

Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they knew it was the Lord. ¹³Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish.

¹⁴This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

¹⁵When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." ¹⁶A second time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep."

¹⁷He said to him the third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. ¹⁸Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go." ¹⁹(He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, "Follow me."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Please be seated.

The Sermon

The Rev. Jason Shelby

There will be a moment of silence for reflection following the sermon.

Please stand as able and join in saying the Nicene Creed.

The Nicene Creed

All **We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only 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: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from 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, 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.

Please remain standing as able.

The Prayers of the People (the People read the responses in **bold**)

Deacon In peace we pray to you, Lord God.

For all people in their daily life and work;

People **For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

Deacon For this community, the nation, and the world;

People **For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

Deacon For the just and proper use of your creation;

People **For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

Deacon For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

People **For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

Deacon For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

People **For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

Deacon For our Bishops; and for all bishops and other ministers;

People **For all who serve God in his Church.**

Deacon For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Deacon Hear us, Lord;

People **For your mercy is great.**

Deacon We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence

The People may add their own thanksgivings

Deacon We will exalt you, O God our King;

People **And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

Deacon We pray for all who have died, especially _____, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Deacon Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

People **Who put their trust in you.**

Silence may be kept.

Celebrant Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask: Help us to ask only what accords with your will; and those good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Please kneel or sit as able.

The Confession of Sin

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All **Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

The Absolution

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy + on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

Please stand as able.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Ministers and People exchange signs of peace in the name of the Lord.

Please be seated.

The Welcome and Announcements

Anyone who has a birthday or anniversary in the next week is invited to come forward for a blessing:

All **Watch over your child(ren), O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may the peace which passes all understanding abide all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Holy Communion

The Offertory Sentence

Celebrant Walk in love as Christ loves us, bring offerings of praise and thanksgiving to his table.

The Offertory Anthem

"You Make the Sun to Rise" by Craig Courtney

*You make the sun to rise with heav'nly glory;
You fill the deep with life no eye has seen;
You speak, and trees applaud and stars assemble to hear Your mystery spoken once again.
We do not hear the praise creation offers when we believe that we alone can sing.*

*How will we sing when words have lost all meaning?
How can we serve those needs we will not see?
How can our minds contain so great a yearning unless Your Spirit burns in us anew?*

*With You, we'll soar on wings reserved for eagles.
With You, we'll come to shores beyond our sight.
When we alone will name the wrong before us, but no one else will make our cause their own;
When, in defeat, we flee into the desert, Lord, set a table for our weary souls.*

*Come, take and eat, all you who faint with hunger,
Then rise and seek your purpose once again.,
As once Your Word flew out across the waters, So, still it broods above our groaning land,
And sings of justice, peace and mercy, inviting all to join its healing song;*

*For we can sing and worlds come into being;
May our voice rise in harmony with You.*

St. Francis Choir

The Offertory Hymn
Now the Green Blade Riseth

Hymnal #204

Now the green blade ris-eth from the bur-ied grain, wheat that in
 Forth he came at Eas-ter, like the ris-en grain, he ___ that for

6
 dark earth man-y_ days has lain; love lives a - gain, that with the dead has
 three days in the grave had lain, quick from the dead my ris - en Lord is

12
 Refrain
 Final Ending
 been:
 seen: Love is come a-gain like wheat that spring-eth green. dead and bare have

18
 been: Love is come a - gain like wheat that spring - eth green.

Words: John Macleod Campell Crum (1872-1958); from "The Oxford Book of Carols, ©. 1964, Oxford University Press.
 Music: "Noel nouvelet," medieval French carol; harm. Marcel Dupre (1886-1971); adapt. Roy F. Kehl (b. 1935).

Please stand as able.

The Great Thanksgiving (Eucharistic Prayer B)

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

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us 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

WLP #858

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and
 4 might, — heaven and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na in — the
 8 high - est. Bless - ed — is he who comes in the name of the
 12 Lord. — Ho - san - na in — the high - est. Ho - san - na in — the
 16 high - est.

Music: American folk melody; arr. Marcia Pruner; harm. Annabel Morris Buchanan (1889-1983)
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Please kneel or stand as able as the Celebrant continues.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: 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 for the remembrance of me." Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

All **We remember his death,
 We proclaim his resurrection,
 We await his coming in glory;**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with St. Francis and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *AMEN.*

The Lord's Prayer

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

All **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, forever and ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

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

The Fraction Anthem

Come, Risen Lord, and Deign to Be Our Guest

Hymnal #306



Come, ris - en Lord, and deign to be our guest; nay,
We meet, as in that up - per room they met; thou
One bo - dy we, one Bo - dy who par - take, one
One with each o - ther, Lord, for one in thee, who



let us be thy guests; the feast is thine; thy - self at thine own
at the ta - ble, bless - ing, yet dost stand: "This is my Bo - dy";
Church u - nit - ed in com - mun - ion blest; one Name we bear, one
art one Sa - vior and one liv - ing Head; then o - pen thou our



board make man - i - fest in thine own Sac - ra - ment of Bread and
so thou giv - est yet: faith still re - ceives the cup as from thy
Bread of life we break, with all thy saints on earth and saints at
eyes, that we may see; be known to us in break - ing of the



Wine.
hand.
rest.
Bread.

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The Invitation

Celebrant Remember that Christ died for you, and feed on him on your hearts, by faith, with thanksgiving.

For our online community: an invitation to pray together the spiritual communion prayer from the National Cathedral. A spiritual communion is a personal devotional that anyone can pray at any time to express their desire to receive Holy Communion at that moment, but in which circumstances impede them from actually receiving Holy Communion.

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen. (St. Alphonsus de Liguori, 1696-1787)

If you have come with a particular prayer concern today, after receiving Communion you may come to the Nason Prayer Chapel to the right of the altar rail where you may light a candle and, if you wish, someone will be available to pray with you.

The Communion of the People

All are invited to receive Holy Communion. Please follow the directions of the ushers. If you do not wish to receive, we encourage you to come forward to receive a blessing. Simply fold your hands across your chest when you come forward. The clergy will carry Communion to anyone in the congregation who is unable to come forward. Please notify an usher if you wish Communion to be brought to you. Gluten-free Communion wafers are available. If you require one of these, simply ask.

The Communion Song

Shepherd of Souls, Refresh and Bless

Hymnal #343

Shep - herd of souls, re - fresh and bless
We would not live by bread a - lone,
Be known to us in break - ing bread,
Lord, sup with us in love di - vine,

thy cho - sen pil - grim flock with man - na
but by thy word of grace, in strength of
and do not then de - part; Sa - viour, a -
thy Bo - dy and thy Blood, that liv - ing

in the wil - der - ness, with wa - ter from the rock.
which we trav - el on to our a - bid - ing place.
bide with us, and spread thy ta - ble in our heart.
bread, that heav'n - ly wine, be our im - mor - tal food.

Words: James Montgomery (1771-1854), alt. Music: "St. Agnes," melody John Bacchus Dykes (1823-1876);
harm. Richard Proulx (b. 1937), after John Bacchus Dykes (1823-1876).

Please kneel or stand as able.

The Post-Communion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

All **Almighty and everliving God, 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 Prayer of St. Francis

Celebrant Lord, make us instruments of your peace.

People **Where there is hatred, let us sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is discord, union; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. Grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.**

The Blessing

Celebrant And, the blessing of God Almighty, ✚ The Father, The Son, and The Holy Spirit be with you always.

All **Amen.**

The Sending Forth

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

All **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Please stand as able and join in singing.

The Closing Hymn

Sing, Ye Faithful, Sing with Gladness

Hymnal #492

Sing ye faith - ful, sing with glad - ness, wake your nob - lest, sweet - est strain,
Sing how he came down from hea - ven, bowed him - self to Beth - l'hem's cave,
So, he tast - ed death for mor - tals, he, of hu - man - kind the head,
Now, on high, yet ev - er with us, from his Fa - ther's throne the Son

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with the prais - es of Sav - ior let his house re - sound a - gain;
stooped to wear the ser - ves - ture, bore the pain, the cross, the grave,
sin - less one, a - mong sin - ful, Prince of Life, a - mong the dead;
rules and guides the world he ran - somed, till the ap - point - ed work be done,

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9
him let all your mu - sic hon - or, and your songs ex - alt his reign.
passed with - in the gates of dark - ness, thence his ban - ished ones to save.
thus he wrought the full re - demp - tion, and the cap - tor cap - tive led.
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till he see, re - newed and per - fect, all things gath - ered in - to one.

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The Postlude

Te Deum

John Rutter

Prayers this Week

We pray for all those who serve in the armed and foreign services, and for their families, especially Alyssa Capellino Baxter, Barry Witt, Drew Deley, Jonathan Zimmerman, Joseph Leahy, Mark Kappelmann, Michael Heredia, Michael Strong, Scott Ruston, Steve, Thomas Dawson, TJ Malzahn, and Will Piepenbring.

Those who are ill, recovering from surgery, or in any other kind of need or trouble: Andrea, Barbara Shelby, Billy Whelan, Bruce Schaefer, Carlos, Ceri Falk, Charlotte Baker, Chris, Colette Furbush, Daniel Drayling, Erica, Gail Winters, George Ginis, Hector Gutierrez, Jane Sharp, Judy Morgan, Kathy Falk, Kristen, Krystal, Loren, Miguel Diaz, Patt Parker, Richard Cantine, Roxanne Wall, Roz Hadley, Sally Hill, Tommy, Tony Deley, the people of the Middle East, victims of violence everywhere, and for all those who have been impacted by the wildfires, especially the people of St. Matthew's and St. Mark's.

We pray for all who have died that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

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