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ALL SAINTS' DAY

HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

November 1, 2026
10 a.m.

Welcome to worship this morning!

We are gathered as the one Body of Christ, seeking solace and strength, pardon and renewal. All we need for worship is inside this pamphlet, on the inserts, and in the hymnals.

Thank you for joining us!

Loving God and neighbor, as Jesus teaches

Hymn Numbers are for the Hymnal 1982 or Wonder, Love, and Praise in the pew rack.

Organ Prelude Pie Jesu, *Requiem* Karl Jenkins

Opening Hymn 287 For all the Saints vv. 1-4, 8

THE WORD OF GOD

Please stand as able, in body or spirit.

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Blessed be God, Creator, Christ and Spirit.

People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

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.

People **Amen.**

Gloria S277

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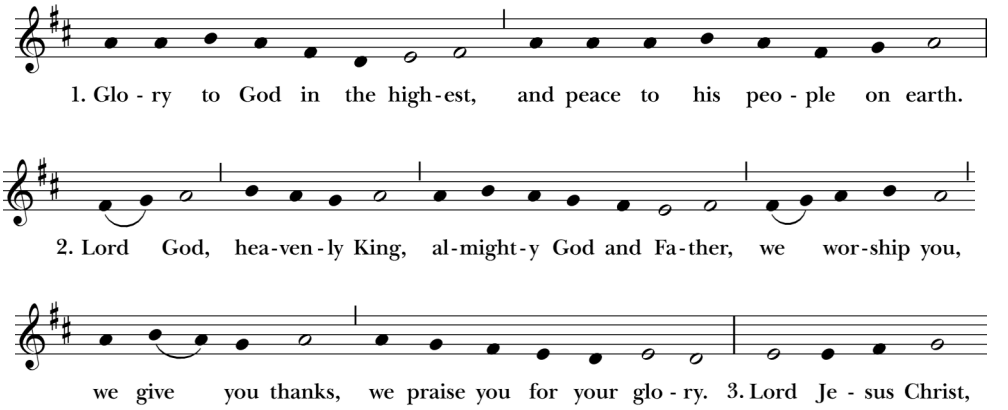

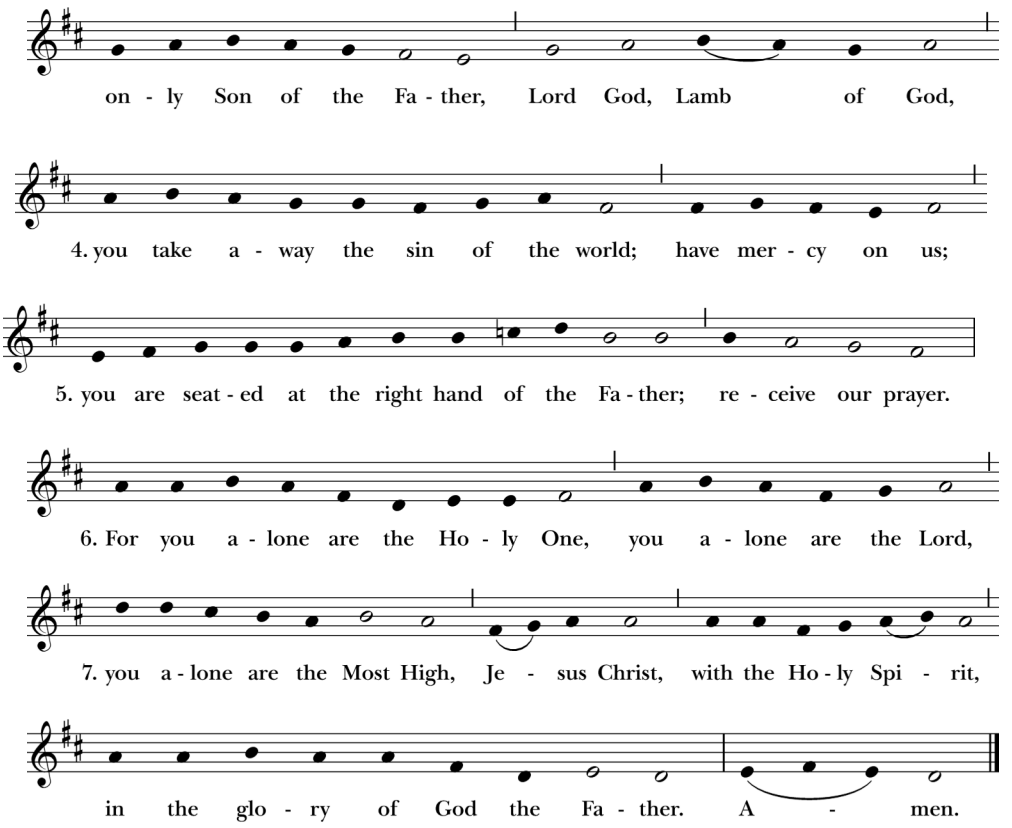

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The Collect of the Day

The Collect of the Day is found in the green insert.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant **Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.**

Please be seated.

Welcome

The First Lesson **Revelation 7:9-17**

Lector After this I, John, looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen." Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. "For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

At the conclusion of the reading:

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 34:1-10, 22

The psalm is read responsively breaking at the asterisk (*).;

1 At all times I will bless the LORD, *
whose praise shall ever be in my mouth.
2 I will glory in the LORD; *
let the humble hear and rejoice.
3 Proclaim with me the greatness of the LORD; *
let us exalt the name of the LORD together.
4 I sought the LORD, who answered me *
and delivered me out of all my terror.
5 Look upon the LORD and be radiant, *
and let not your faces be ashamed.
6 I called in my affliction and the LORD heard me *
and saved me from all my troubles.
7 The angel of the LORD encompasses the God-fearing, *
and the LORD will deliver them.
8 Taste and see that the LORD is good; *
happy are they who trust in the LORD!
9 Fear the LORD, you holy ones, *
for those who God-fearing lack nothing.
10 The young lions lack and suffer hunger, *
but those who seek the LORD lack nothing that is good.
22 The LORD ransoms the life of those chosen to serve, *
and none will be punished who trust in the LORD.

The Second Lesson **1 John 3:1-3**

Lector See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

At the conclusion of the reading:

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand as able, in body or spirit.

Gradual Hymn 293 **I sing a song of the Saints of God**

The Gospel **Matthew 5:1-12**

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

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

Celebrant When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

"Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

"Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

“Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

At the conclusion of The Gospel:

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon

A moment of silent reflection follows the sermon.

The Renewal of our Baptismal Covenant

adapted from Book of Common Prayer, pp. 304-306

Celebrant Let us join one another to recommit ourselves to Christ and to renew our Baptismal Covenant. Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil, and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

People **I do.**

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?

People **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Celebrant Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People **I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

Celebrant Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you cherish the wondrous works of God, and protect the beauty and integrity of all creation?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Prayers of the People

Celebrant Let us now pray for ourselves and for our commitment to our Savior Jesus Christ.

Intercessor Deliver us, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Open our hearts to your grace and truth.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Fill us with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Keep us in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Teach us to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Send us into the world in witness to your love.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Bring us to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Celebrant Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and forever. Amen.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The people exchange a brief sign of Christ's peace.

Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The People's Offerings

Doxology: Hymn 380 (v. 3) **Praise to God** *Old 100th*

Sung by All **Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; praise God above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Offertory Anthem When I Can Read My Title Clear Lori Larson

Please stand as able, in body or spirit.

The Necrology

The "great cloud of witnesses" beloved by God, and in this community, is now named aloud.

The Great Thanksgiving - Prayer 2 *Enriching Our Worship*, p. 60

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 God thanks and praise.**
Celebrant **We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love. And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:**

Sanctus S130

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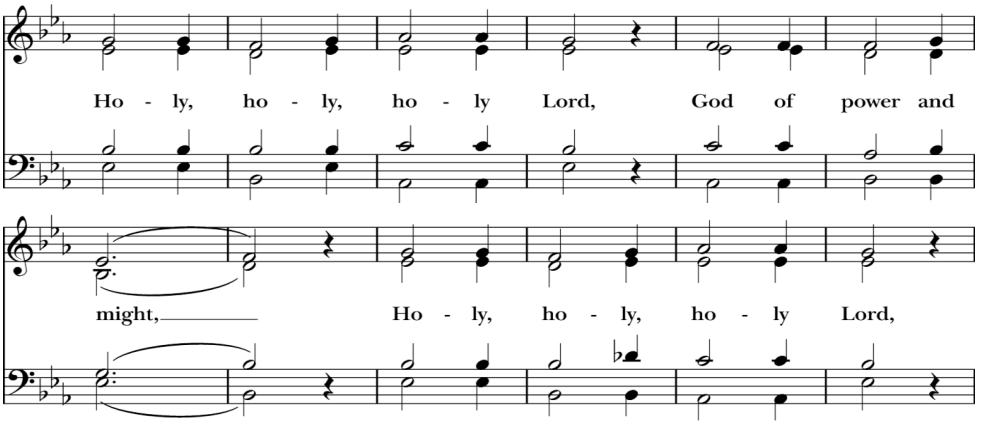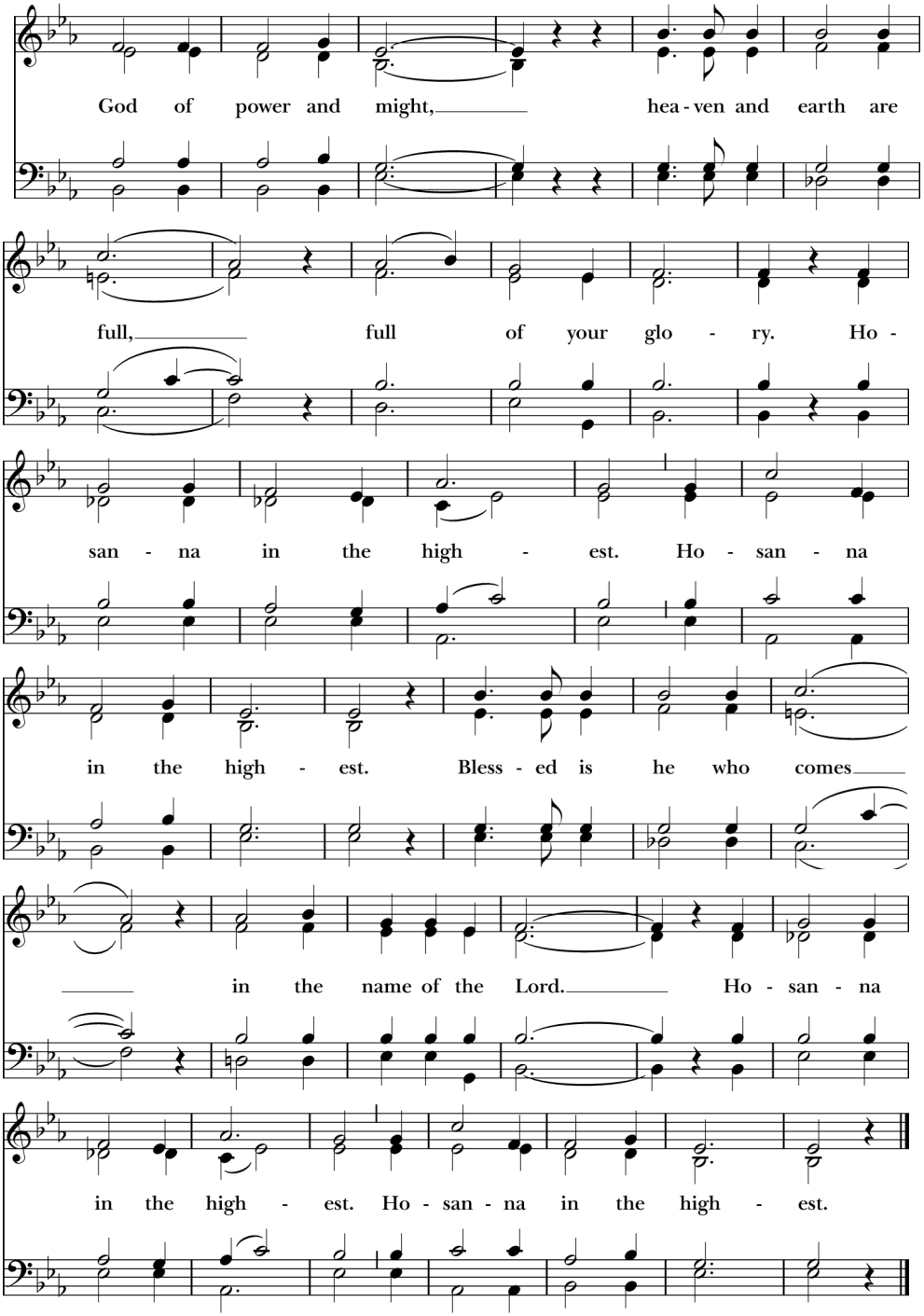

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Please kneel as able, in body or spirit.

Celebrant Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."
Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, with all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever.
All **Amen.**

Celebrant And now, as our 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,
for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence is kept.

Fractional Anthem S164

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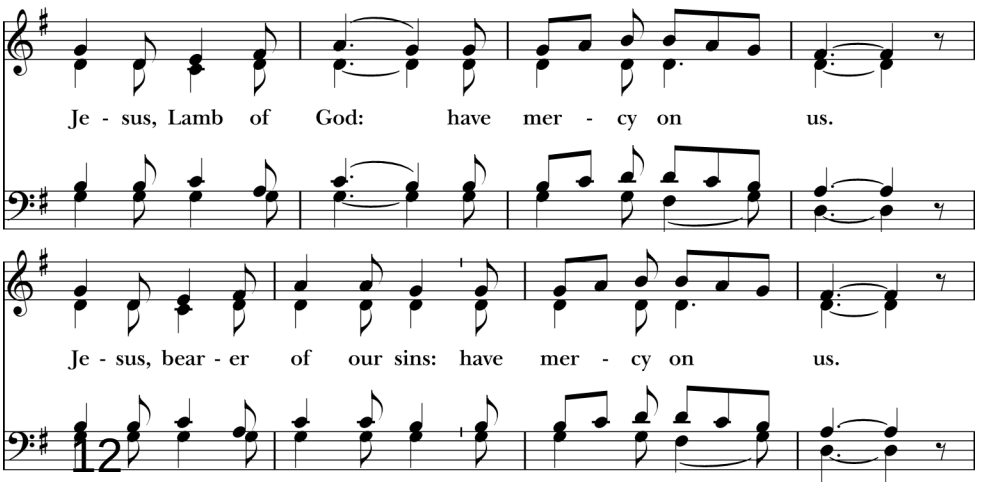

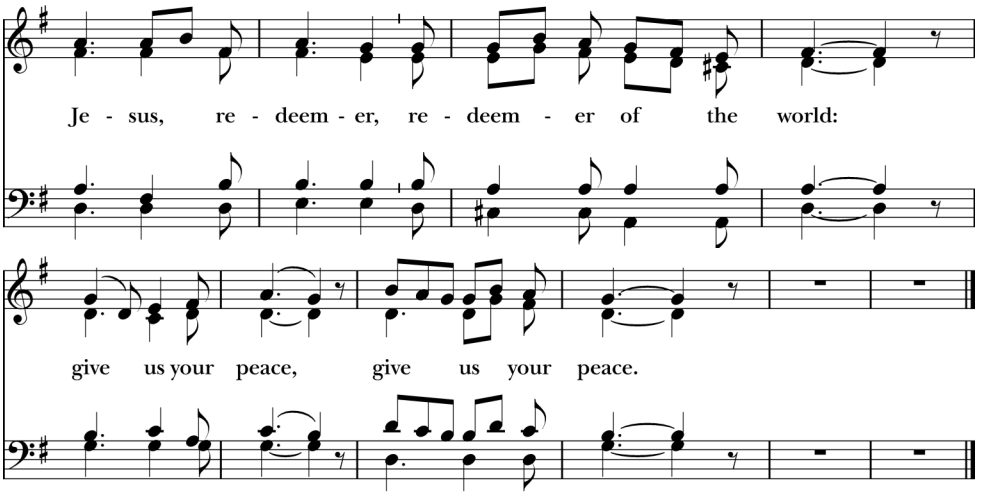

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The Invitation

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died and lives for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving. Jesus said, "Come unto me, all who are heavy laden, and I will refresh you." All are invited to this table for Christ's refreshment.

The Communion

All are invited to come forward to the Lord's Table. We receive communion at the front of the steps. If you prefer a blessing rather than the bread, please cross your hands over your chest. You may take the chalice and drink, or touch it as a sign of reverence. Intinction (dipping) is discouraged.

On the way to communion, all are also invited to dip your hand into the sanctified water in the Baptismal Font, and to make the sign of the cross on your forehead. In this way, we are reminded of God's covenantal love that is ours in Baptism.

Music During Communion Agnus Dei, Requiem for the Living Dan Forrest

Post-Communion Prayer Enriching Our Worship, p. 69

Please kneel as able, in body or spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray.

All **God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

The Blessing **adapted from Henri-Frédéric Amiel 1821–1881**

Celebrant **Life is short and we have too little time to gladden the hearts of those who travel the way with us. So, be swift to love and make haste to be kind. And the blessing of God Almighty, the One, Holy and Undivided Trinity, be upon you and remain with you always. Amen.**

Please stand as able, in body or spirit.

Closing Hymn 618 Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones

The altar party sings the Closing Hymn in place, then processes to the rear of the Church during the postlude. Please sit to enjoy the postlude.

Postlude For All the Saints arr. Lani Smith

Please stand as able, in body or spirit.

The Dismissal

Celebrant Saints, let us go forth into the world, loving God, our neighbor and all creation, Alleluia, Alleluia.

People **Thanks be to God, Alleluia, Alleluia.**

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