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The Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost, Proper 27 Year A
November 8th, 2026, 9:30 a.m.; *Holy Eucharist – Hybrid*

Thank you for worshiping with us this morning! We are glad you are here. If you are online, please keep your microphone muted for most of the service. If you are online reading a lesson, or offering an intercession or thanksgiving during the prayers, please unmute yourself; then re-mute.

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Prelude

The Presider says, and the people respond

Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.
People Glory to God for ever and ever.

The Priest says

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.*

Hymn
Judge eternal, throned in splendor Hymnal 59


1 Judge e - ter - nal, throned in splen - dor, Lord of lords and
2 Still the wea - ry folk are pin - ing for the hour that
3 Crown, O God, thine own en - deav - or; cleave our dark - ness
King of kings, with thy liv - ing fire of judg - ment
brings re - lease, and the ci - ty's crowd - ed clang - or
with thy sword; feed all those who do not know thee
purge this land of bit - ter things; sol - ace all its
cries a - loud for sin to cease; and the home - steads
with the rich - ness of thy word; cleanse the bo - dy
wide do - min - ion with the heal - ing of thy wings.
and the wood-lands plead in si - lence for their peace.
of this na - tion through the glo - ry of the Lord.

Collect of the Day

Presider God be with you.
People And also with you.
Presider Let us pray.

O God, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

First Reading: Wisdom 6:12-16 Sue Rivers

Reader: A Reading from the Wisdom of Solomon

Wisdom is radiant and unfading,
and she is easily discerned by those who love her,
and is found by those who seek her.
She hastens to make herself known to those who desire her.
One who rises early to seek her will have no difficulty,
for she will be found sitting at the gate.
To fix one's thought on her is perfect understanding,
and one who is vigilant on her account will soon be free from care,
because she goes about seeking those worthy of her,
and she graciously appears to them in their paths,
and meets them in every thought.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 70: *Deus, in adjutorium*

All say

1 Be pleased, O God, to deliver me; *
O Lord, make haste to help me.

2 Let those who seek my life be ashamed and altogether dismayed; *
let those who take pleasure in my misfortune draw back and be disgraced.

3 Let those who say to me "Aha!" and gloat over me turn back, *
because they are ashamed.

4 Let all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you; *
let those who love your salvation say for ever,
"Great is the Lord!"

5 But as for me, I am poor and needy; *
come to me speedily, O God.

6 You are my helper and my deliverer; *
O Lord, do not tarry.

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 Matthew Leahy

Reader: A reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Thessalonians

We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so 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 died. For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord forever. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's People.
People Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn

Lo! He comes, with clouds descending Hymnal 57


1 Lo! he comes, with clouds de - scend - ing, once for our sal - va - tion slain; thou - sand thou - sand saints at - tend - ing swell the tri - umph of his train: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
2 Ev - ery eye shall now be - hold him, robed in dread - ful ma - jes - ty; those who set at nought and sold him, pierced, and nailed him to the tree, deep - ly wail - ing, deep - ly wail - ing,
3 Those dear tok - ens of his pas - sion still his daz - zling bo - dy bears, cause of end - less ex - ul - ta - tion to his ran - somed wor - ship - ers; with what rap - ture, with what rap - ture,
4 Yea, a - men! let all a - dore thee, high on thine e - ter - nal throne; Sa - vior, take the power and glo - ry; claim the king - dom for thine own: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia! Christ the Lord re - turns to reign.
deep - ly wail - ing, shall the true Mes - si - ah see.
with what rap - ture gaze we on those glo - rious scars!
Al - le - lu - ia! Thou shalt reign, and thou a - lone.

Holy Gospel Matthew 25:1-13

Priest: The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Matthew
People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. 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, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, 'Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise replied, 'No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.' And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' But he replied, 'Truly I tell you, I do not know you.' Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon Fr. Tommy Sheppard

Nicene Creed

All say

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 and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He 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.

Prayers of the People Led by Paige Corologos

The intercessor offers prayers for the Church, its members, and its mission; the Nation and all in authority; the welfare of the world; concerns of the community; those who suffer or are in any trouble; and the departed.

A brief silence is kept between each prayer. Those online may "unmute" to add their own petitions and thanksgivings, along with those in the church, when indicated by the intercessor.

The Presider adds a Concluding Collect

Holy God, whose fire of love never goes out: free us from the fear of scarcity that keeps us out of love's own feast; renew our trust in your abundance which knows no death and keeps no count; through Jesus Christ, the oil of gladness. *Amen*.*

(Concluding Collect at the Prayers from Prayers for an Inclusive Church, by Steven Shakespeare.)

Confession and Absolution

The Presider says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence is kept, then all say

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

The Priest says

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

The Peace

Those online may unmute briefly to offer their response along with those in the sanctuary.

Presider The Peace of Christ be always with you.
People And also with you.

Announcements

Stewardship Moment Catherine Weiner

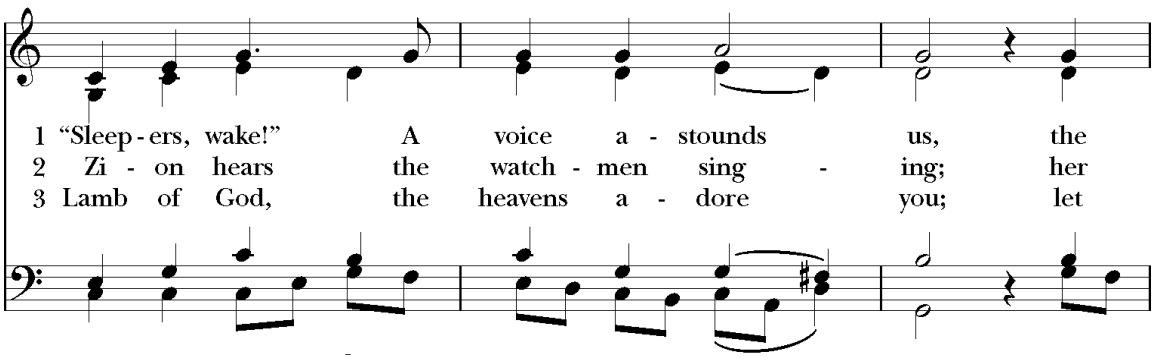
Holy Communion

The Presider says

Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.

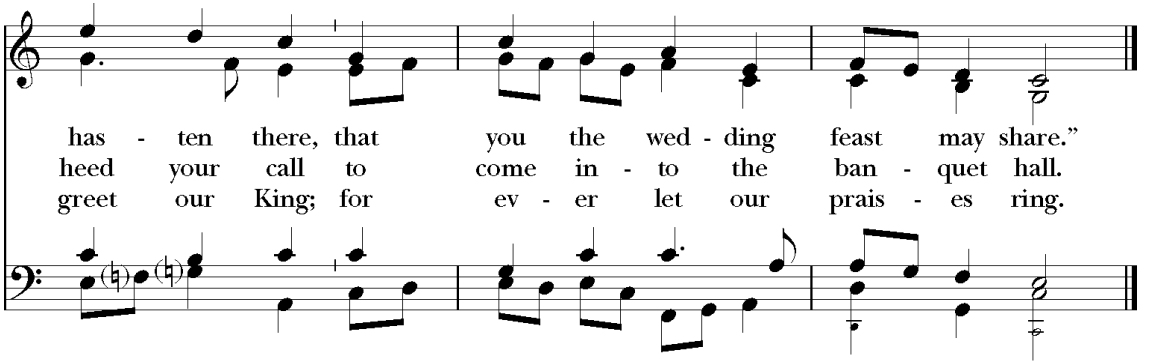
Offertory Hymn

"Sleepers, wake!" A voice astounds us Hymnal 61

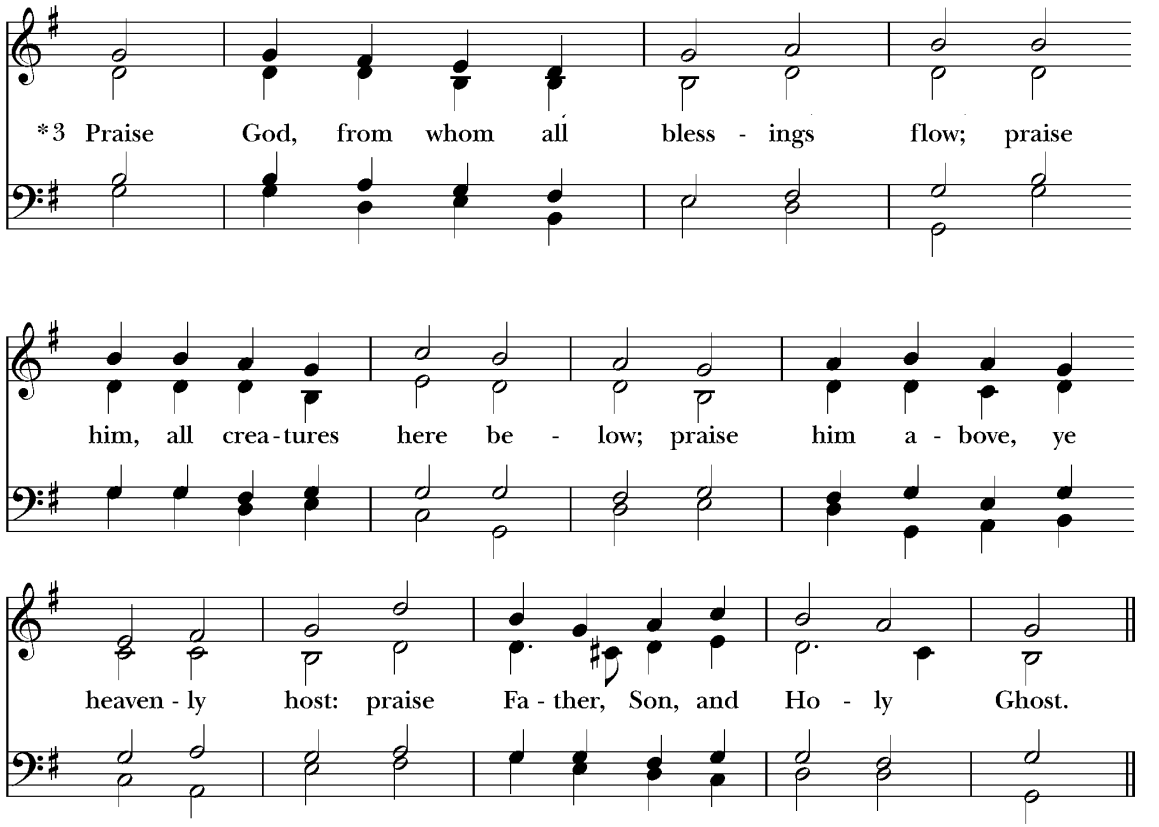



shout of ram - part - guards sur - rounds us: "A -
heart with joy - ful hope is spring - ing, she
saints and an - gels sing be - fore you, as
wake, Je - ru - sa - lem, a - rise!" Mid - night's peace their
wakes and hur - ries through the night. Forth he comes, her
harps and cym - bals swell the sound. Twelve great pearls, the
cry has bro - ken, their ur - gent sum - mons clear - ly spo -
Bride-groom glo - rious in strength of grace, in truth vic - to -
ci - ty's por - tals: through them we stream to join the im - mor -


ken: "The time has come, O maid - ens wise!
rious: her star is risen, her light grows bright.
tals as we with joy your throne sur - round.
Rise up, and give us light; the Bride - groom is in
Now come, most wor - thy Lord, God's Son, In - car - nate
No eye has known the sight, no ear heard such de -
sight. Al - le - lu - ia! Your lamps pre - pare and
Word, Al - le - lu - ia! We fol - low all and
light: Al - le - lu - ia! There - fore we sing to



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The Great Thanksgiving

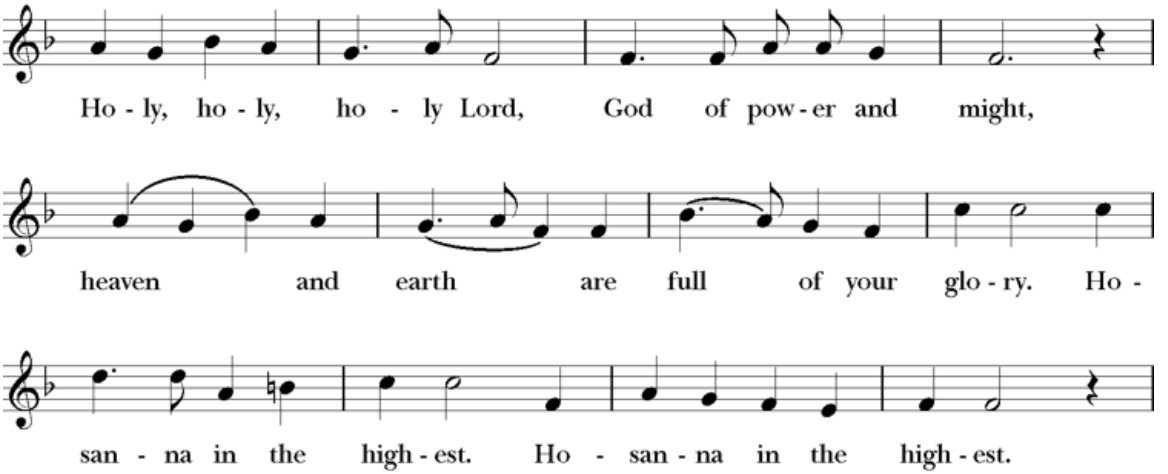
Presider The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Presider Lift up your hearts.
People We lift them to the Lord.
Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

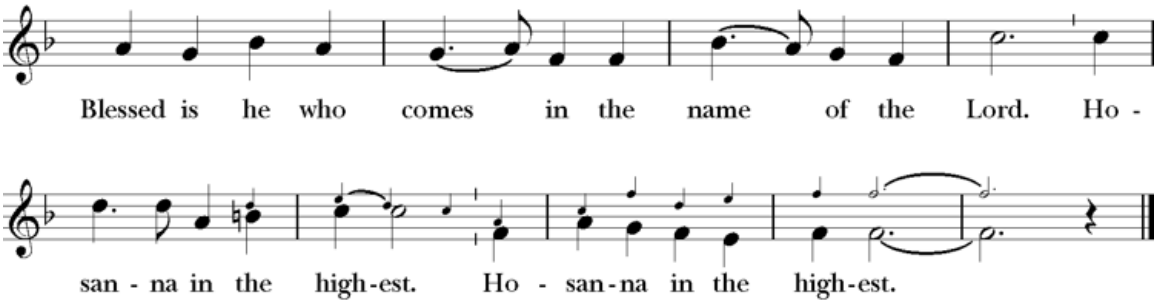
Presider

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, for by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world. 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:

Sanctus Hymnal S 125

Presider and People:





The Presider continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Presider and People

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Presider continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

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.

All sing



The Presider says

We are called the children of God, and indeed we are,
therefore we can pray with confidence:

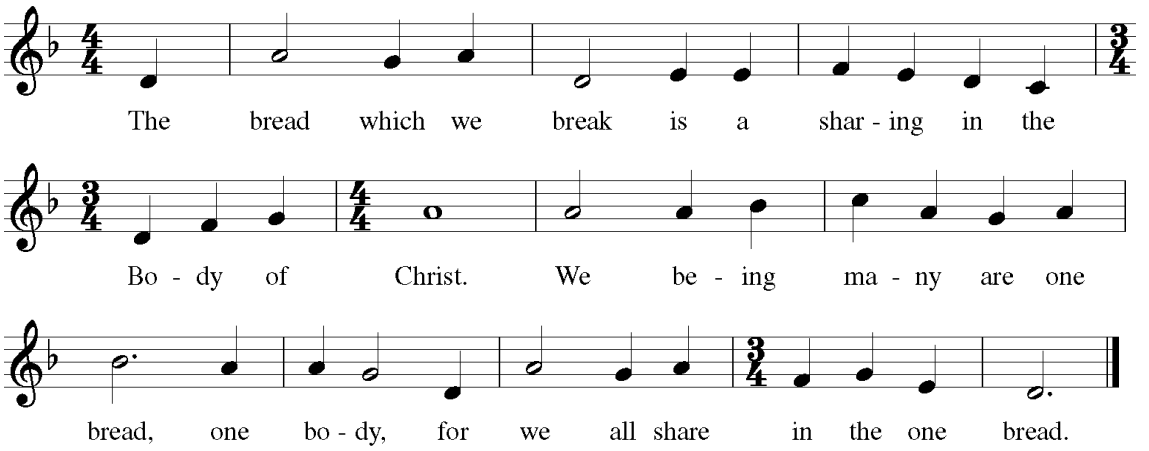
People and Presider

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence is kept.

Fraction Anthem WLP 867



The Presider invites the people to Communion

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Holy food for holy people.

Communion Hymn

Let all mortal flesh keep silence Hymnal 324



Postcommunion Prayer

The Presider says

Let us pray.

The Presider and People pray

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.

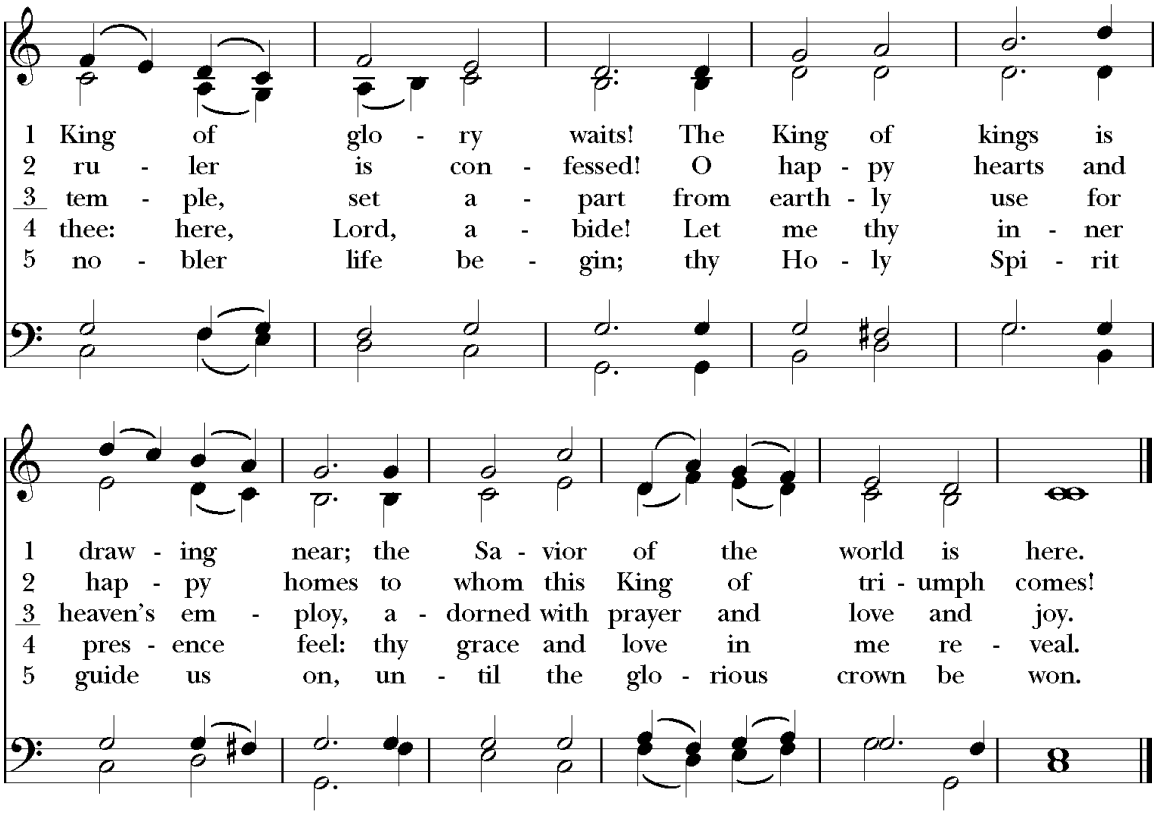
Blessing

The priest pronounces God's blessing; the people respond, "Amen."

Postcommunion Hymn

Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates Hymnal 436





Dismissal

Priest Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Calendar

Today: Pastoral Care Team Training, Coffee Hour in the McClure Room

Tuesday: Book Group on Zoom, 5:00pm (dianerooney123@gmail.com)

Next Sunday: Morning Prayer, 9:30am; Community Choir Rehearsal, 2:00pm

Sunday, November 22: Community Thanksgiving Service, 2:00pm

Pastoral Care Team Training

Today after worship. This training is for our Pastoral Care Team. If you wish to be on the team please attend this training.

Trinity Stewardship Season

Welcome to our Plenty Good Room season of stewardship! Over these next few weeks, we'll reflect on God's abundance and our call to make space for all. There is room for everyone at God's table.

Online Giving

Trinity now has Online Giving available. You can give on our website at trinityshelburne.org/give by using a credit/debit card or your bank account.

Trinity Bazaar & Craft Fair

The Outreach Committee is planning our Trinity Bazaar and Craft Fair on December 5th, 2026 from 9am to 2 pm. Mark your calendars. We are hoping to have people donate crafts, gift baskets, gift certificates and food items to sell or for our silent auction. The money raised supports our Outreach activities.

Trinity Book Group

Trinity's Tuesday Book Group meets on Tuesdays at 5:00 p.m. on Zoom. We are reading the book by Sara Miles titled "Take this Bread." A Zoom link will be shared before the meeting. Contact A Diane Rooney via email at dianerooney123@gmail.com to be added to the list.

Community Thanksgiving Service

Trinity will host the Shelburne Community Thanksgiving Service on Sunday, November 22 at 2:00pm. All are welcome. A Community Choir will assemble for this service, with one rehearsal at Trinity on Sunday, November 15 at 2:00pm. Please contact Sandy Walsh (vtgrammy@live.com) if you'd like to sing!