ALL SOULS'
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Welcome Home. Peace Awaits.



The FIRST SUNDAY *of* ADVENT

29 November 2026
10:15 AM

A Very Warm Welcome to You!

Thank you for spending Sunday morning with us. **WHOEVER you are and WHEREVER you may be on your journey of faith, you are welcome here.** We're blessed by your presence, and we look forward to connecting with you. Except for the hymns, **everything you need to participate in today's liturgy is enclosed in this service booklet**; the hymns are in the **blue hymnal**.

Please join us for **coffee** and **fellowship** in the Community Building, across the plaza, or on the patio (weather permitting) after the service.

All ages are welcome; infants and children (and their accompanying noises!) enliven this service. All **children are invited to the P*r*ayground** at the front of the church. Children leave the service for Children's Chapel after the Gospel lesson, and they return for Holy Communion.

If you are visiting, please fill out a "connect" card so we can let you know of upcoming events; prayer request cards are also available. Cards may be placed in the offering plate or given to an usher. To learn more about being a member of All Souls', please speak with **Father Douglas, our rector**.

Restrooms are located in the hallway behind the organ; an usher can direct you to one.

Please silence your phone to maintain a worshipful environment and as a courtesy to others.

Father Douglas is happy to talk with you about joining or participating in the life of All Souls'; questions you may have or difficulties you may be experiencing; others who may need pastoral care; or anything else on your mind. You may reach him at 619-223-6394 x 12 (office), 619-335-8168 (cell) or dworthington@allsoulspointloma.org.

Worship & Devotions at All Souls'

Sunday, 8:00 AM (without music) ***and*** **10:15 AM** (with music)
HOLY EUCHARIST

Tuesday, 9:30 AM
MORNING PRAYER (via Zoom)

Saturday, 4:00 PM
CENTERING PRAYER

Saturday, 5:00 PM
CELTIC HOLY EUCHARIST

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All children and youth are welcome, unconditionally. They are welcome to gather at our PrayGround at the front-left of the Nave. Materials for art and play are waiting there. During the sermon, children pre-K through fifth grade move to the Chapel, where we explore the gospel reading for the day. (We return in time for Communion.)

Holy Eucharist

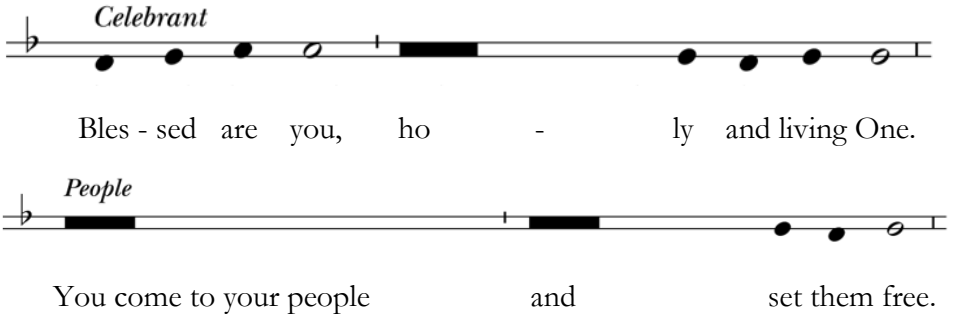
The VOLUNTARY *Rorate Caeli* *Melissa Dunphy (b. 1980)*

All stand, as they are able, at the ringing of the bell as the Procession enters

HYMN 57 *Lo! he comes, with clouds descending* HELMSLEY

THE ENTRANCE RITE

All remain standing, as they are able



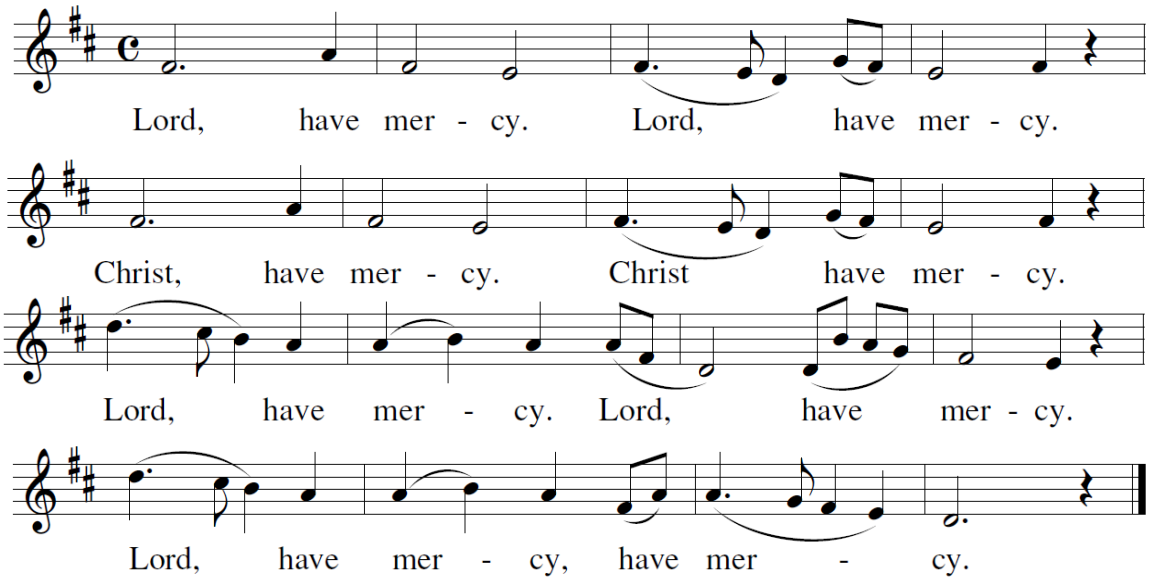
The COLLECT _for_ PURITY

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*.

The KYRIE ELEISON From *Deutsche Messe*

Franz Peter Schubert (1797 – 1828)
arr Richard Proulx (1937 - 2010)

A harmonized version appears at S-96



The COLLECT *of the* DAY

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

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

All may be seated

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The FIRST READING

Isaiah 64:1-9

O that you would tear open the heavens and come down,
so that the mountains would quake at your presence—
as when fire kindles brushwood
and the fire causes water to boil—
to make your name known to your adversaries,
so that the nations might tremble at your presence!
When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect,
you came down; the mountains quaked at your presence.
From ages past no one has heard,
no ear has perceived,
no eye has seen any God besides you,
who works for those who wait for him.
You meet those who gladly do right,
those who remember you in your ways.
But you were angry, and we sinned;
because you hid yourself we transgressed.
We have all become like one who is unclean,
and all our righteous deeds are like a filthy cloth.
We all fade like a leaf,
and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away.
There is no one who calls on your name
or attempts to take hold of you,
for you have hidden your face from us
and have delivered us into the hand of our iniquity.
Yet, O Lord, you are our Father;
we are the clay, and you are our potter;
we are all the work of your hand.
Do not be exceedingly angry, O Lord,
and do not remember iniquity forever.
Now consider, we are all your people.

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

The PSALTER

Psalm 80:1-7,16-18

Sung by the Choir

1 Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock; *
shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim.

2 In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh, *
stir up your strength and come to help us.

3 Restore us, O God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

4 O LORD God of hosts, *
how long will you be angered
despite the prayers of your people?

5 You have fed them with the bread of tears; *
you have given them bowls of tears to drink.

6 You have made us the derision of our neighbors, *
and our enemies laugh us to scorn.

7 Restore us, O God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

16 Let your hand be upon the man of your right hand, *
the son of man you have made so strong for yourself.

17 And so will we never turn away from you; *
give us life, that we may call upon your Name.

18 Restore us, O LORD God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

The SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 1:3-9

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind— just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you— so that you are not lacking in any gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

God is faithful, by whom you were called into the partnership of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

All stand, as they are able

HYMN 655 *Oh Jesus, I have promised* NYLAND

The HOLY GOSPEL Mark 13:24-37

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.
People *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Jesus said, "But in those days, after that suffering,

the sun will be darkened,
and the moon will not give its light,
and the stars will be falling from heaven,
and the powers in the heavens will be shaken.

"Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in clouds' with great power and glory. Then he will send out the angels and gather the elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.

"From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

"But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven nor the Son, but only the Father. Beware, keep alert, for you do not know when the time will come. It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. Therefore, keep awake, for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening or at midnight or at cockcrow or at dawn,

or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake."

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

The SERMON

The Rev Douglas Worthington, *Rector*

Following the Sermon, a brief silence is kept

All stand, as they are able

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 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.

The PRAYERS *of the* PEOPLE *For Advent*

Celebrant O come, O come, Emmanuel. As we await your coming again in glory, which began in your coming in a lowly manger, hear the prayers we make to you, O God-with-Us.

Intercessor O come, O Key of David, and open wide our heavenly home: Make your Church a beacon of hope and a source of healing, in an age that aches for you. O come:

People *O come, O come, Emmanuel.*

O come, O Wisdom from on high, who orders all things mightily: Teach this nation's people and leaders to wage your peace and model your humility. O come:
O come, O come, Emmanuel.

O come, Desire of nations, and bind in one the hearts of all humankind: Unite this fractious, striving world in the generosity-of-spirit and selfless service that are your will for us. O come:
O come, O come, Emmanuel.

O come, O Lord of might, who, in ancient times, did give the law: Inspire us by your example to house the unhoused, feed the unfed, empower the unempowered and love the unloved. O come:
O come, O come, Emmanuel.

O come, O Dayspring from on high, and cheer us by your drawing nigh: Comfort the sorrowing, soothe the anxious and heal the unwell, including *NN;* all members of the military who have been deployed or are in harm's way; and all those on our parish prayer list, as well as those whom we name aloud or in the silence of our hearts *(pause).*

And, O gladdening one, also receive our thanks for all those we love who lighten our lives, mentioning especially those whose birthdays we celebrate this week, including *NN;* and those whose anniversaries we celebrate this week, including *NN.* O come:
O come, O come, Emmanuel.

O Come, O Branch of Jesse's tree, and give us victory o'er the grave: Take into your bosom all those who have died in faith, including *NN;* all those whose deaths we remember this week, including *NN;* and all those on our parish prayer list, as well as those whom we name aloud or in the silence of our hearts *(pause);* for your love of us knows no time or end. O come:
O come, O come, Emmanuel.

Celebrant O come, O come, Emmanuel. We wait in lonely exile, it seems, for the advent of your grace, your power and your peace. Help us to know you not only as one who came and will come again, but also as one who abides with us even now: dwelling in our hearts, living through our works and praying all our prayers. All this we ask in your holy Name, O God-with-Us. *Amen.*

The CONFESSION *of* SIN

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

All may remain standing or kneel, as they prefer and are able

Silence is kept for personal confession

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.

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.*

Bringing their leaflets, the People come forward, as they are able, and gather around the Dwights

BIDDING FAREWELL *to the* DWIGHT FAMILY *The Book of Occasional Services*

Celebrant Dear friends in Christ, we have been in companionship with Alexandra, James, Winthrop and Gwendolyn on our journey of faith. Now their time with us is drawing to a close, and so we send them forth to continue their journey in a new place, yet always close to our hearts.

The People lay hands upon Alexandra, James, Winthrop and Gwendolyn

Celebrant Let us pray.

All O Lord, we give thanks for Alexandra, James,
Winthrop and Gwendolyn's time among us
and for their contribution to our common life.
Bless them as they goes forth;
be with those who leave and with us who stay;
and grant that all of us, by drawing ever nearer to you,
will always be close to each other
in the communion of your saints.
All this we ask in the Name of Jesus Christ,
your Son, our Lord. Amen.

The PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People *And also with you.*

The Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord

WELCOME *and* ANNOUNCEMENTS *of the* PARISH

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The OFFERTORY

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At the Offertory *Drop down ye heavens from above* *Judith Weir (b 1954)*

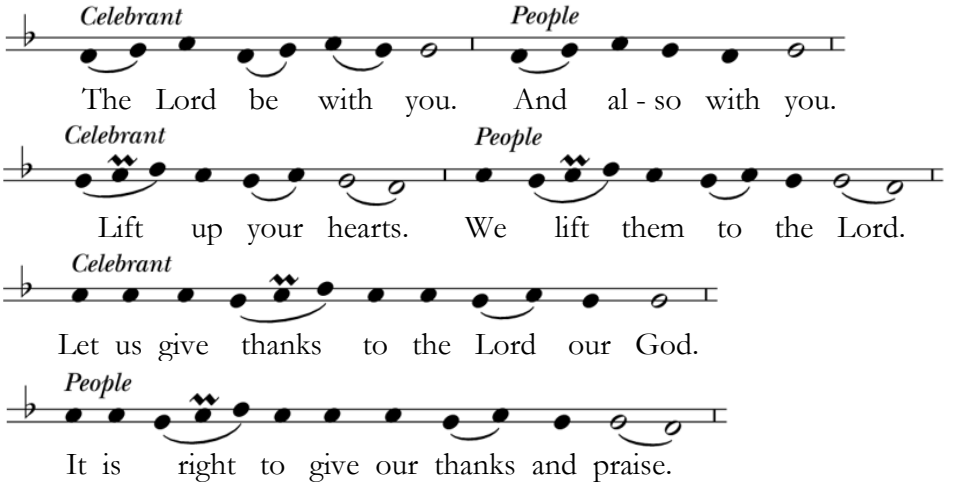
Drop down ye heavens from above,
And let the skies pour down righteousness.
Comfort ye, comfort ye, my people;
My salvation shall not tarry.
I have blotted out as a thick cloud thy transgressions.
Fear not, for I will save thee;
For I am the Lord thy God,
The holy one of Israel, thy redeemer.
Drop down ye heavens from above,
And let the skies pour down righteousness.
(Text: Advent Prose, a traditional expression of longing during this season)

At the conclusion of the anthem, all stand, as they are able, for the following blessing of the people's gifts

Celebrant All things come of thee, O Lord.
People *And of thine own have we given thee.* *1 Chronicles 29:14*

The GREAT THANKSGIVING *Eucharistic Prayer A*

All remain standing, as they are able



Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth, because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when Jesus shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing.

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 *and* Benedictus qui venit From *Deutsche Messe* *Schubert, arr Proulx*

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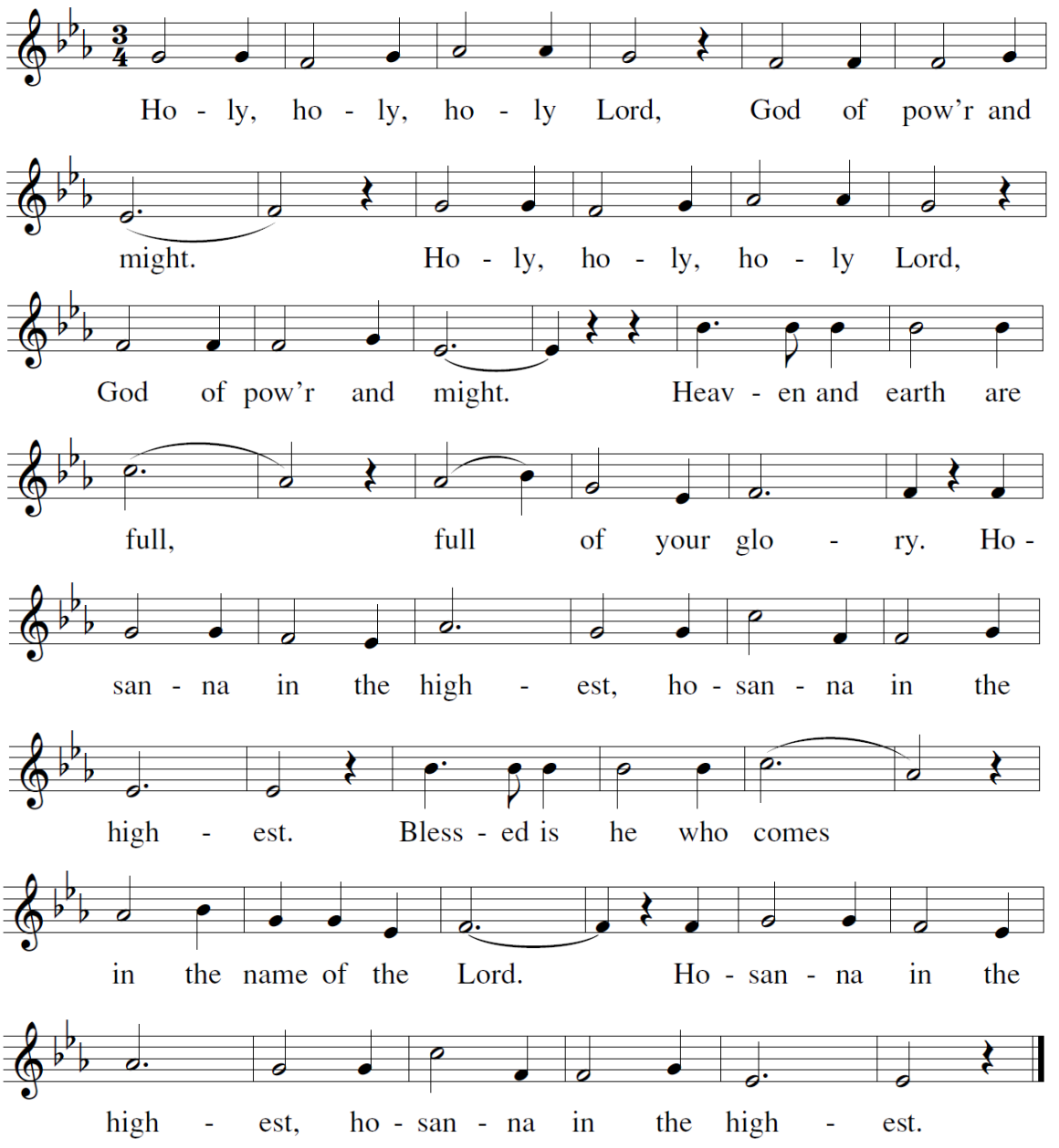


All may stand or kneel, as they are able and prefer

Celebrant Holy and gracious God: 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 maker of all.

Jesus 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 Savior 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 Jesus 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."

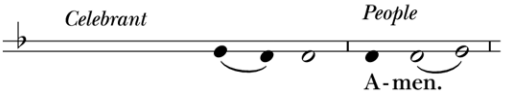
Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

Celebrant We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, Almighty God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ's death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

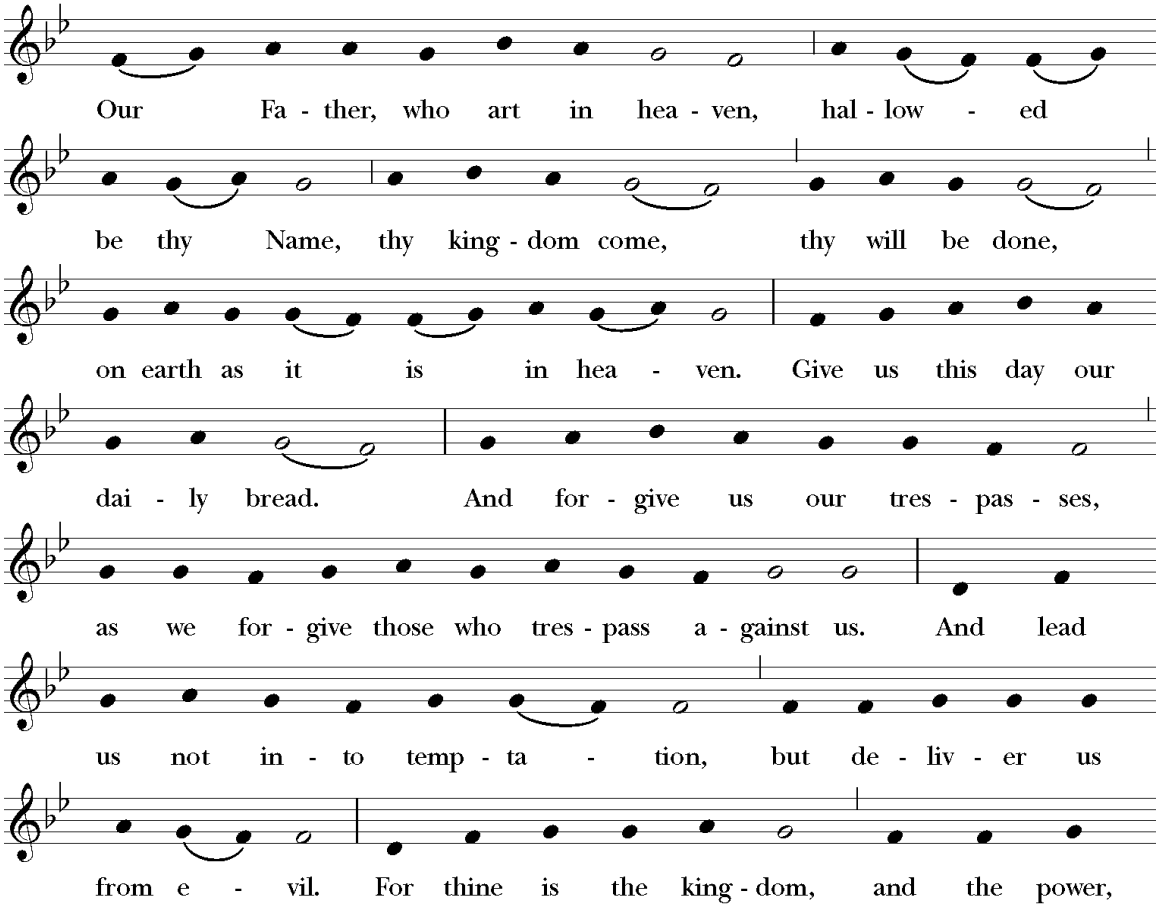
Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in Christ. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

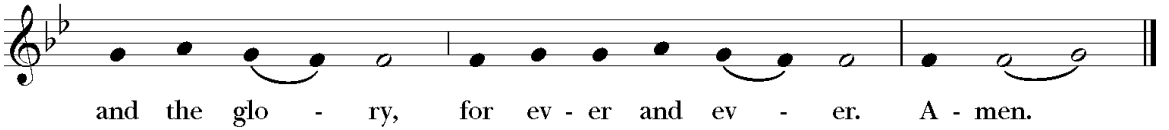
All this we ask through Jesus Christ our Savior. By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God, now and for ever.



The LORD'S PRAYER

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

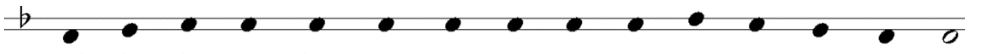




The FRACTION

A period of silence is kept

Celebrant



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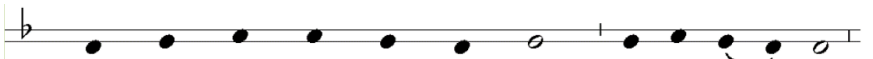

The Agnus Dei From *Deutsche Messe*

Schubert, arr Proulx

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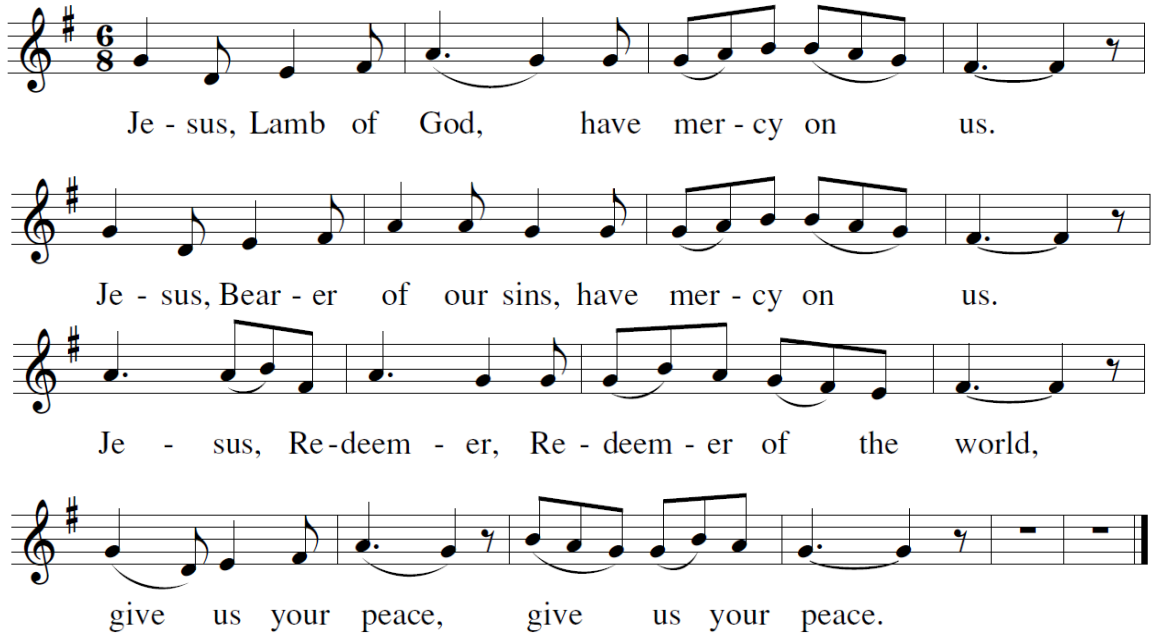

The MINISTRATION *of* COMMUNION

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive the blessed Bread and Wine of Holy Communion at the Lord's Table. Hold out your hands for the Bread. Gluten-free *Bread is available; simply inform the priest you desire it. If you wish to* drink *the Wine, consume the Bread when you receive it and drink from the chalice when it is presented to you. If you wish to have Bread* dipped *in the Wine, let the Bread remain in your hands; the chalice bearer will intinct it for you. If you wish to come forward to receive a* blessing *rather than the Bread and Wine, indicate that desire by crossing your arms over your chest. If it is* difficult for you to come forward, *inform an usher, and the Bread and Wine will be brought to you.*

A Prayer Before Communion *The Book of Common Prayer*

All are invited to pray this, silently, as they prepare to receive the Sacrament

Be present, be present, O Jesus, our great High Priest, as you were present with your disciples, and be known to us in the breaking of bread; who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

At the Communion *O Thou the central orb* *Charles Wood (1866 – 1926)*

O Thou the central orb of righteous love,
Pure beam of the most high,
Eternal light of this our wintry world,
Thy radiance bright awakes new joy in faith,
Hope soars above, above.

Come, quickly come, and let thy glory shine,
Gilding our darksome heaven with rays divine.
Thy saints with holy lustre round Thee move,
As stars about thy throne, set in the height
of God's ordaining counsel,
As thy sight gives measur'd grace to each,
Thy power to prove.

Let Thy bright beams disperse the gloom of sin,
Our nature all shall feel eternal day,
In fellowship with Thee,
Transforming day to souls erewhile unclean,
now pure within, now pure within. Amen.
(Text: H R Bramley, 1833 – 1926)

The POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

All stand, as they are able

All Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE SENDING FORTH

All kneel or stand, as they are able and prefer

The BLESSING

attributed to Teresa of Ávila (1515 – 1582)

HYMN 68 *Rejoice! rejoice, believers, and let your lights appear* LLANGLOFFAN

The DISMISSAL

Celebrant Let us bless the Lord.
People *Thanks be to God.*

The VOLUNTARY

Today's voluntary, a medley of folk tunes, will be played on the Celtic harp by Alexandra Dwight*, as a parting gift to the All Souls' family ~~ please do stay and listen*

In the Anglican Communion cycle of prayer, we pray for
The Hong Kong Anglican Church (Episcopal).

CELEBRANT
The Rev Douglas Worthington

VERGER
Jack Northam

CRUCIFER
Todd McCracken

CHALICISTS & TORCHBEARERS
Michelle Leff and Hilliard Harper

LECTORS
Mary Brown *and* John Brown

INTERCESSOR
Jesse Schumacher

USHERS
Jane Andrews *and* Bob Harrington

ALTAR GUILD AND FLOWER GUILD
Janet Sanford *and* the Flower Guild

TELLERS
Diane Holnback-Sooy *and* Hilliard Harper

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE: Four services. In-person attendance: 124 people.
Online participation: 13 views.

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