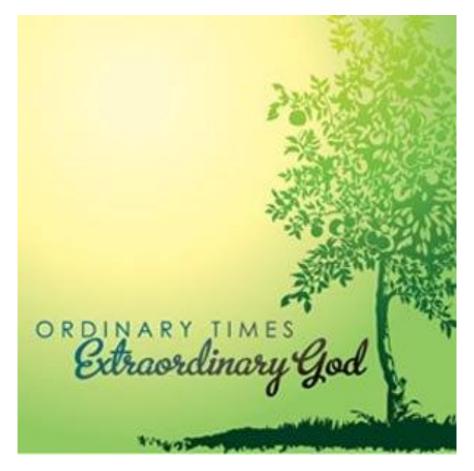
The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost



July 11, 2021



Wide Open Doors Wide Open Hearts

Gentle Reminders for our Guests today:

As a community in Christ, we are called to work together to create a worship experience that is **safe for everyone** – ourselves, our neighbors, and our loved ones.



As a gentle reminder, **please wear your masks at all times over your mouth and nose** when inside of the Church and its adjoining property. We ask that you gently remind your neighbors to do the same when necessary.

During **the Peace**, we invite you to connect with your neighbors by waving, showing the peace sign, or using fist or elbow bumps. Please be sure that your neighbor is comfortable with physical connections before offering that kind of peace.





Children are welcome to join us for worship services today! We do not mind little voices and noises that children naturally make, so don't worry if they are not sitting perfectly still and silent! That's not normal! We do ask that all family members sit together throughout the service.

Offering: We will not be passing a plate today, you can give to the church by dropping your envelope or money in the plate located near the table with the bulletins. You can also text **CHT DONATE to 73256.** or use the Realm app on your phone.



Communion will be given in the form of bread only. The priest will bring the bread to you in your seat. We ask that you please use the individual hand sanitizer before receiving and stand in your pew to indicate your desire to receive communion.

Thank you for joining us today and helping us with your cooperation. Together — we'll get through this.

The Service of Holy Communion, Rite II

Prelude Serenade

Ned Rorem

Entrance Hymn Praise to the living God! **Hymnal 372** Leoni liv - ing Praise to the God! All prais - ed be his Name love - ly de clare his Form - less, all forms love - li ness; His Spi - rit flow - eth free, high surg - ing where it will: ter - nal life hath he im plant - ed soul; who be and and for ay same. ho - li - ness of earth can ly, no his press. pro-phet's word he of old; he still. spoke speak - eth love shall our strength and stay while roll. be The God aught that now ap - pears: one e - ter - nal ere Lord of Lo, all. Cre a - tion speaks his he is praise, Es tab-lished is his law, and change - less it shall stand, Praise liv - ing God! All prais - ed be his Name the first, the last, be - youd all thought his time - less years! and ev - ery-where a - bove, be - low, will beys. land. deep writ up - on the hu - man heart, on sea, on who was, and is, and is to be, for ay the same.

Opening Acclamation

Leader Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever.

Amen.

The Collect for Purity

Leader

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 Gloria Gerald Near



The Collect of the Day

Leader The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Leader Let us pray.

Leader

O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people who call upon you, and grant that they may know and understand what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The First Lesson

Amos 7:7-15

Reader A reading from the Prophet Amos.

This is what the Lord God showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand. And the Lord said to me, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A plumb line." Then the Lord said, "See, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass them by; the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword."

Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, "Amos has conspired against you in the very centre of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. For thus Amos has said, 'Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land.' "

And Amaziah said to Amos, "O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom." Then Amos answered Amaziah, "I am no prophet, nor a prophet's son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycomore trees, and the Lord took me from following the flock, and the Lord said to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel.'"

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

Silence

Psalm 85:8-13

Samuel Sebastian Wesley



- 8 I will listen to what the Lord / God is / saying, * for he is speaking peace to his faithful people and to / those who / turn their / hearts to him.
- 9 Truly, his salvation is very near to / those who / fear him, * that his / glory may / dwell in our / land.
- 10 Mercy and truth have / met to/gether; * righteousness and / peace have / kissed each / other.
- 11 Truth shall spring / up from the / earth, * and righteousness shall / look / down from / heaven.
- 12 The Lord will indeed / grant pro/sperity, * and our / land will / yield its / increase.
- 13 Righteousness shall / go be/fore him, * and peace shall be a / pathway / for his / feet.

Glory to the Father, and / to the / Son, * and / to the / Holy / Spirit:
As it was in the be/ginning, is / now, * and / will be for/ever. A/men.

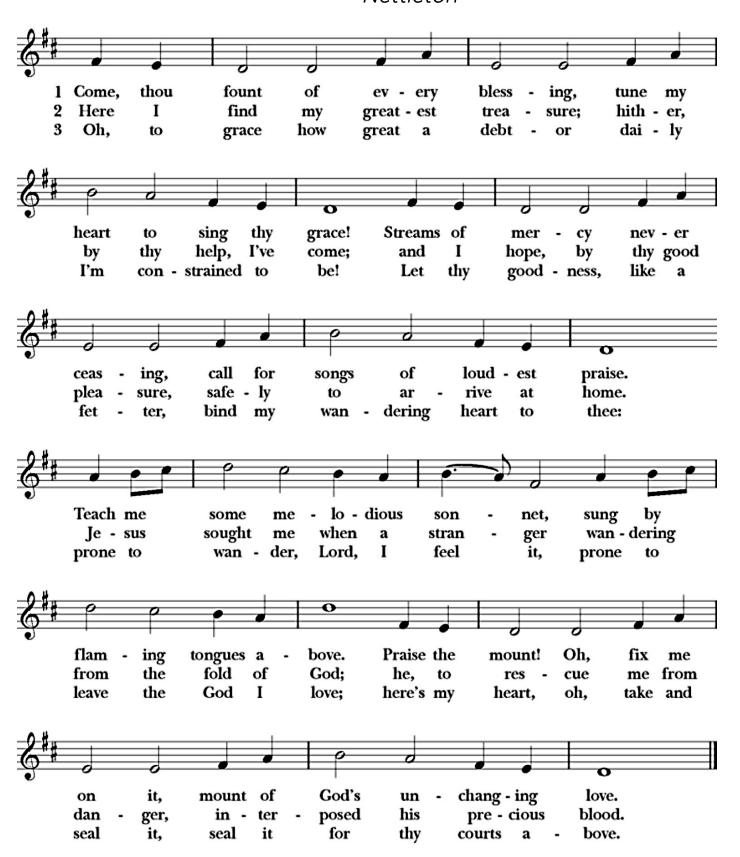
Reader A reading from the letter to the Ephesians.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Sequence Hymn Come, thou fount of every blessing, **Hymnal 686**Nettleton



The Gospel Mark 6:14-29

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

King Herod heard of Jesus and his disciples, for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, "John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him." But others said, "It is Elijah." And others said, "It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old." But when Herod heard of it, he said, "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised."

For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. For John had been telling Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife." And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, "Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it." And he solemnly swore to her, "Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom." She went out and said to her mother, "What should I ask for?" She replied, "The head of John the baptizer." Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter." The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl.

Then the girl gave it to her mother. When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

Leader The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Reverend Rachel Wenner Gardner

The Nicene Creed

ΑII

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, Form VI

Reader: In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Reader: For all people in their daily life and work;

People: For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who

are alone.

Reader: For this community, the nation, and the world;

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

Reader: For the just and proper use of your creation;

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

Reader: 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.

Reader: For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

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

Reader: For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, and Daniel, our Bishop; and

for all bishops and other ministers;

People: For all who serve God in his Church.

Reader: For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

We pray for those who have asked for our prayers, especially, Ruben, Beth, Devon, Jerry's Family, Jim, Michael, Kyle, the Vicker Family, David, Mark, Michael, the Smith Family, Rebecca's family, Mary's family, Grandma Moon, Roy, James, the Carambo Family, Vincent, the Ayrey Family, the Cohen Family, the Phillips Family, Grace, Scott, Jeff, Eddie, Edwina,

Kara, and Megan.

Prayers from the congregation may be added

Reader: Hear us, Lord;

People: For your mercy is great.

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

For our return to in-person worship

For Noelle, who will be baptized this afternoon.

For those who are celebrating Birthdays or Anniversaries

this week.

Prayers from the congregation may be added

And for all our thanksgivings:

Prayers from the congregation may be added

Reader: We will exalt you, O God our King;

People: And praise your Name for ever and ever.

Reader: We pray for all who have died, especially Ben, that they may

have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Prayers from the congregation may be added

Reader: Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

People: Who put their trust in you.

Reader: We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Confession & Absolution

All Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that

we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Leader

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.

The Peace

Leader The Peace of the Lord be always with you

People And also with you.

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Parish Notices

Morning Prayer continues each weekday at 9:00 am and Candlelight Compline on Wednesdays at 5:30 pm. Join us on Facebook Live.

Join us in Rittenhouse Square after 12:15 pm on Sundays. BYO coffee, tea, water or whatever, for a socially-distanced gathering with friends. Bring a mask and look for the banner in the Square.

If you wish to give a gift today, we encourage you to do so during the Offertory Anthem. You can do this by texting CHT DONATE to 73256 or Pressing Learn More on our Facebook Page or, if you are watching on our website, you can click the donate button on the top of the page.

Offertory Sentence

Leader

Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, and walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God. (Ephesians 5:1-2)

Offertory Anthem

Mercy and truth are met

Ned Rorem

Mercy and truth are met together, Righteousness and peace have kissed. Truth shall spring out of the earth, and righteousness shall look down from heaven.

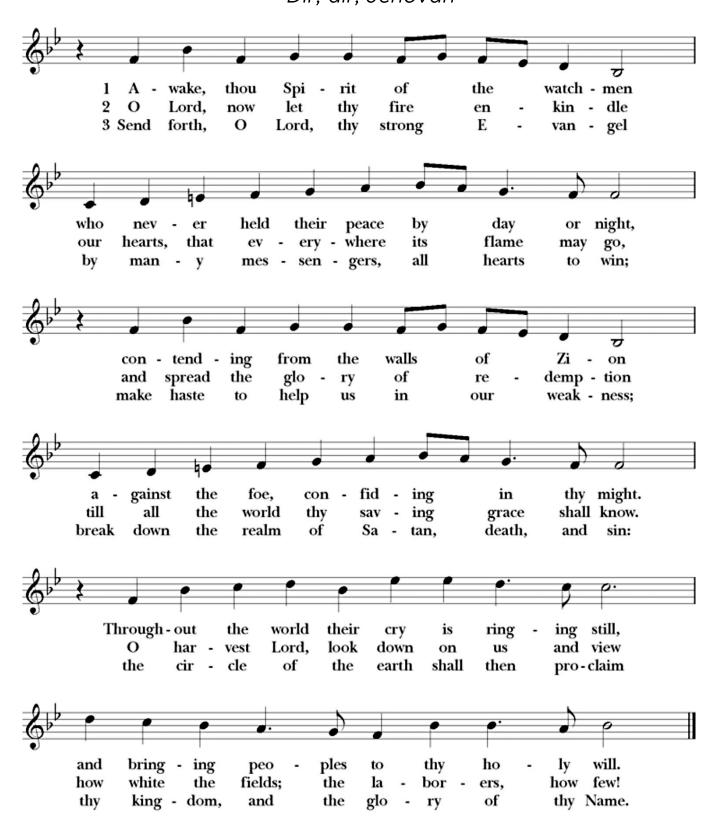
Yea, the Lord shall show loving kindness, and our land shall yield her increase. Righteousness shall go before him, and peace shall be the pathway of his steps.

Mercy and truth are met together. Amen. (Psalm 85: 10-13)

Offertory Hymn

Awake, thou Spirit of Dir, dir, Jehovah

Hymnal 540



The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B

Leader The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Leader Lift up your hearts.

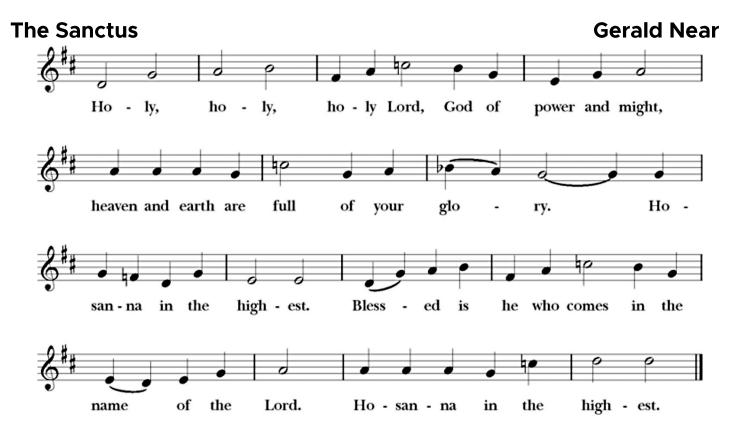
People We lift them to the Lord.

Leader Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Leader

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 you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. 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:



Leader

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;

Leader

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 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.

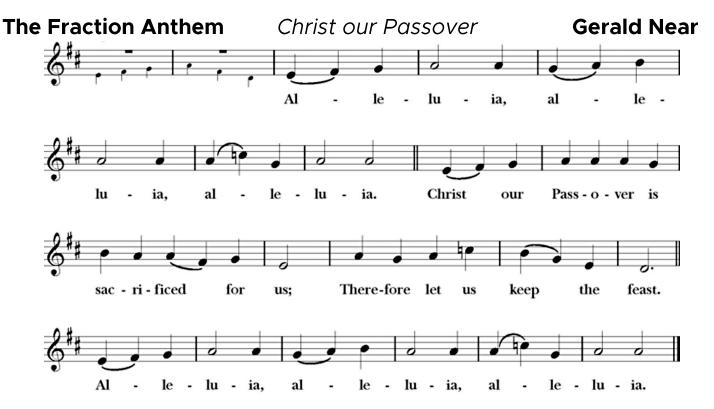
By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

All AMEN.

The Lord's Prayer

Leader And now, as our Savior Jesus 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.



Leader The Gifts of God for the People of God, take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Distribution of Communion

Communion will be given in one kind only (bread). Those who wish to receive communion should sanitize their hands and stand in their pews. The priest will give communion to the choir and organist first, and then will bring it to the congregation in their pews. If you need a gluten-free wafer or prefer a blessing for yourself or your child, please let the priest know when they come to your pew.

The Prayer for Spiritual Communion (for those at home)

All 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)



Post Communion Prayer

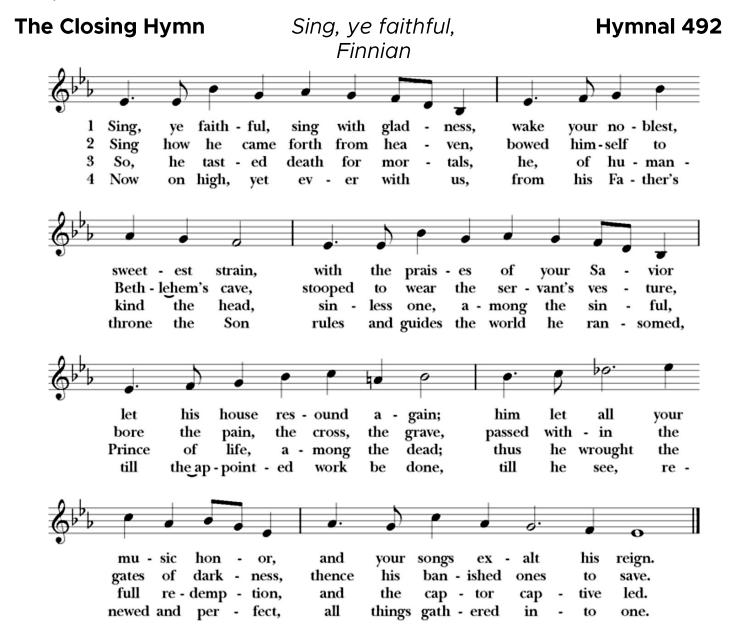
Leader Let us pray.

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 Blessing

Leader The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you, and remain with you always.

People Amen.



The Dismissal

Leader Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the spirit.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude Cortege

Gordon Young

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