

# The Church of the Holy Trinity

Rittenhouse Square

## The Fourth Sunday *in* Lent

11:00 am

Holy Eucharist, Rite II



# LEN

Reflection - Preparation - Renewal

WIDE OPEN DOORS  
WIDE OPEN HEARTS

March 19, 2023

# What's Happening This Week:

*Morning Prayer is held every weekday at 9:00 am on Facebook.*

*Winter Shelter for our unhoused guests, run by Project Bethesda, takes place every day in our Centennial Room.*

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>
Sunday, March 19	11:00 am	Holy Eucharist – <i>The 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent</i>	Church
	12:00	Refreshments	Narthex
	12:30	Choristers	3 <sup>rd</sup> floor Parish House
	12:30	Formation/Education	Parish House
	4:30 pm	Open Hearts Cafe Meal/Clothing	Walnut St.
Monday, March 20	10:00-3:00	Church Open for Prayer	
	7:00 pm	Choral Arts Rehearsal	Church
Tuesday, March 21	10:00-3:00	Church Open for Prayer	
	4:30 pm	Open Hearts Cafe Meal/Clothing	Walnut St.
Wednesday, March 22	10:00-3:00	Church Open for Prayer	
	12:15 pm	Lenten Music Meditation	Church
	6:30 pm	March Vestry Meeting	Online
Thursday, March 23	10:00-3:00	Church Open for Prayer	
Friday, March 24	10:00-3:00	Church Open for Prayer	Church
Saturday, March 25	7:00 pm	Crossing Choir Concert	Church
Sunday, March 26	11:00 am	Holy Eucharist – <i>The 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent</i>	Church
	12:00	Refreshments	Narthex
	12:30	Choristers	3 <sup>rd</sup> floor Parish House
	12:30	Formation/Education	Parish House
	4:30 pm	Open Hearts Cafe Meal/Clothing	Walnut St.

**Easter Flowers:** We invite you to give a gift to our flower fund, in thanksgiving of those you love or in memorial of those we love and see no longer. We are asking for all contributions to be made by Monday, April 3rd. Please look for the envelopes in the back of the church or ask an usher. You can also give through REALM. Please write the reason for gifts of thanksgiving or those names you wish to be remembered if you wish for your donation to be listed in the Easter bulletins.

## **Save the Date: The Annual Parish Meeting April 30, 2023**

Join us after the meeting for a special meeting to elect new Vestry members, learn more about the vision for the church as we move out of the pandemic, and get to know your fellow parishioners. This is not your ordinary parish meeting! You're going to have FUN and learn something!!

If you are interested in serving on Vestry, please talk to one of the clergy or wardens, Simson Hui and Greg Maughan – see insert and join us for an informational meeting on 3/26 after church.

# Welcome! We are so glad you are with us today!

*A few reminders and information for your time with us today*

**Masks:** Masks are welcomed, encouraged and optional at this time. If you need a mask, please let us know and we will be happy to get one for you.

**Children** are always welcome in our worship service and we love to hear their joyful sounds and see their wiggly ways! We have books for all ages and activity bags (you can even decorate your own) in the back near the service bulletins for those who wish to stay with their families during the service. Parents, if you want a little quiet time to yourself, your children can join Madison and Laura, our wonderful Child Care Team, in the Parish House for activities. They will meet you in the Narthex and show you where to go. All children will return to the church for communion during the Peace.

During **The Peace**, we invite you to connect with your neighbors by waving, showing the peace sign, or using fist/elbow bumps. Please be sure your neighbor is comfortable with physical contact before shaking hands.

**Offering:** You can give a financial gift to the church in three ways: by placing it in the plate that we pass in church today, by texting **CHT DONATE to 73256** or using the QR code to the right. You can also sign up to give weekly with REALM ([www.htrit.org/give](http://www.htrit.org/give)).



**Communion** Those who are baptized in any tradition are welcome to join us for communion. If you prefer a blessing, please let one of the clergy know. We will share the bread and wine at the altar rail at the front of the church. Gluten free wafers are available. If you are unable to come to the front, or prefer to stay in your pew and keep social distance, we will bring communion to you.

**More Information?** Join us at the **Welcome table in the back of the church** or visit our website [www.htrit.org](http://www.htrit.org) for more information about services and activities at The Church of the Holy Trinity and to sign up for the weekly E-News. If you prefer a printed version, please fill out a slip in the Narthex. Information about how to get more involved is in the back of the bulletin!

We ask that you **turn off or silence your Cell Phone** during the service. Thank you!

Prelude

Andante sostenuto from "Symphonie Gothique" Charles M. Widor

Welcome & Parish Notices

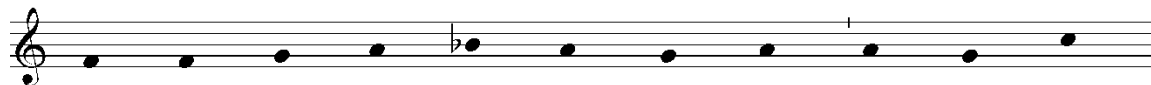
THE ENTRANCE RITE

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Please stand as able

Entrance Hymn 5

*Splendor paternae gloriae*



1 O splen - dor of God's glo - ry bright, O thou that  
 2 O thou true Sun of heaven - ly love, pour down thy  
 3 With prayer the Fa - ther we im - plore: O Fa - ther,  
 4 to guide what - e'er we no - bly do, with love all  
 5 All laud to God the Fa - ther be; all praise, e -



1 bring - est light from light, O Light of Light, light's  
 2 ra - diance from a - bove: the Spi - rit's sanc - ti -  
 3 glo - rious ev - er - more, we plead with thee for  
 4 en - vy to sub - due, to give us grace our  
 5 ter - nal Son, to thee; all glo - ry to the



1 liv - ing spring, O Day, all days il - lu - mi - ning,  
 2 ly - ing beam up - on our earth - ly sen - ses stream.  
 3 grace and power to con - quer in temp - ta - tion's hour,  
 4 wrongs to bear, to make ill for - tune turn to fair.  
 5 Spi - rit raise in e - qual and un - end - ing praise.

Opening Acclamation

*Presider* Blessed be the God of our salvation.

*People* Who bears our burdens and forgives our sins.

The Collect for Purity

*Presider* 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.

## The Collect of the Day

*Presider* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Presider* Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

## THE WORD OF GOD

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**The First Lesson:** 1 Samuel 16:1-13

*Greg Maughan*

*Reader* A reading from the First Book of Samuel.

The Lord said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons." Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me." And the Lord said, "Take a heifer with you, and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the Lord.' Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you." Samuel did what the Lord commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, "Do you come peaceably?" He said, "Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the Lord; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice." And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, "Surely the Lord's anointed is now before the Lord." But the Lord said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the Lord does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart." Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one."

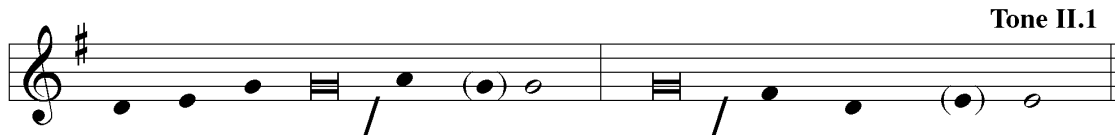
Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one." Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, "The Lord has not chosen any of these." Samuel said to Jesse, "Are all your sons

here!” And he said, “There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep.” And Samuel said to Jesse, “Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here.” He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The Lord said, “Rise and anoint him; for this is the one.” Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

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

**Psalm 95** *Venite, exultemus*

The People sing the **bold** verses, taking a brief pause at the asterisk.



- 1 The Lord is my / shepherd;\*  
I shall / not be in want.
- 2 **He makes me lie down in green / pastures\***  
**and leads me beside / still waters.**
- 3 He revives my / soul\*  
and guides me along right pathways for / his Name’s sake.
- 4 **Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no / evil;\***  
**for you are with me; your rod and your staff, / they comfort me.**
- 5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those who / trouble me;\*  
you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is run/ning over.
- 6 **Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my / life,\***  
**and I will dwell in the house of the LORD / for ever.**

**The Epistle:** Ephesians 5:8-14

*Thomas Lipscomb*

Reader A reading from the letter to the Ephesians.

Once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Live as children of light—for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true. Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly; but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says,

“Sleeper, awake! Rise from the dead,  
and Christ will shine on you.”

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

*Please stand as able*

Sequence Hymn 567

*The Third Tune*

1 Thine arm, O Lord, in days of old was strong to  
2 And lo! thy touch brought life and health, gave hear - ing,  
3 Be thou our great de - liv - erer still, thou Lord of

heal and save; it tri - umphed o'er dis - ease and death,  
strength, and sight; and youth re - newed and fren - zy calmed  
life and death; re - store and quick - en, soothe and bless,

o'er dark - ness and the grave. To thee they went, the  
owned thee, the Lord of light: and now, O Lord, be  
with thine al - might - y breath: to hands that work and

blind, the deaf, the pal - sied, and the lame, the lep - er  
near to bless, al - might - y as of yore, in crowd - ed  
eyes that see, give wis - dom's heaven - ly lore, that whole and

set a - part and shunned, the sick with fe - vered frame.  
street, by rest - less couch, as by Gen - nes - are't's shore.  
sick, and weak and strong, may praise thee ev - er - more.

## The Gospel: John 9:1-41

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

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

As Jesus walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, “Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?” Jesus answered, “Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God’s works might be revealed in him. We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.” When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man’s eyes, saying to him, “Go, wash in the pool of Siloam” (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see. The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar began to ask, “Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?” Some were saying, “It is he.” Others were saying, “No, but it is someone like him.” He kept saying, “I am the man.” But they kept asking him, “Then how were your eyes opened?” He answered, “The man called Jesus made mud, spread it on my eyes, and said to me, ‘Go to Siloam and wash.’ Then I went and washed and received my sight.” They said to him, “Where is he?” He said, “I do not know.”

They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. Then the Pharisees also began to ask him how he had received his sight. He said to them, “He put mud on my eyes. Then I washed, and now I see.” Some of the Pharisees said, “This man is not from God, for he does not observe the sabbath.” But others said, “How can a man who is a sinner perform such signs?” And they were divided. So they said again to the blind man, “What do you say about him? It was your eyes he opened.” He said, “He is a prophet.”



The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight and asked them, “Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?” His parents answered, “We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; but we do not know how it is that now he sees, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself.” His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews; for the Jews had already agreed that anyone who confessed Jesus to be the Messiah would be put out of the synagogue. Therefore his parents said, “He is of age; ask him.”

So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and they said to him, “Give glory to God! We know that this man is a sinner.” He answered, “I do not know whether he is a sinner. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see.” They said to him, “What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?” He answered them, “I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?” Then they reviled him, saying, “You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from.” The man answered, “Here is an astonishing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes. We know that God does not listen to sinners, but he does listen to one who worships him and obeys his will. Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a person born blind. If this man were not from God, he could do nothing.” They answered him, “You were born entirely in sins, and are you trying to teach us?” And they drove him out.

Jesus heard that they had driven him out, and when he found him, he said, “Do you believe in the Son of Man?” He answered, “And who is he, sir? Tell me, so that I may believe in him.” Jesus said to him, “You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is he.” He said, “Lord, I believe.” And he worshiped him. Jesus said, “I came into this world for judgment so that those who do not see may see, and those who do see may become blind.” Some of the Pharisees near him heard this and said to him, “Surely we are not blind, are we?” Jesus said to them, “If you were blind, you would not have sin. But now that you say, ‘We see,’ your sin remains.”

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

*Following a period of silence, the people stand.*

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, *Lent*

*Shreve Simpson*

*Leader* Have mercy on us, O God, according to your loving kindness; in your great compassion, hear our prayers. We pray for the whole church, for the Anglican Communion, for the Episcopal Church, and the Diocese of Pennsylvania, for all the leaders and ministers who serve this church and every church, and all the holy people of God. Wash us through and through,

*People* **And cleanse us from our sin.**

*Leader* We pray for our nation, for all the nations of the earth, for our leaders and all who govern and judge. Purge us from our sin,

*People* **And we shall be pure.**

*Leader* We pray for those who hunger, those who thirst, those who cry out for justice, those who have been affected by natural disasters, those who live under the threat

of terror or gun violence, especially those in our city and those without a place to lay their head. Make them hear of joy and gladness,  
*People* **that those who are broken may rejoice.**

*Leader* We pray for those who are ill, those in pain, those under stress, those who are lonely, and especially for those on our prayer list: Yueh-Ha, J.J., Cornelius, Paolo, Molly, Paula, Sandy, Sery, Allen, Divine, Vincent, Jan, Danielle, B.J, Dustin, Joan, and Sarah. Give them the joy of your saving help,  
*People* **and sustain them with your bountiful Spirit.**

*Leader* In this season of Lent we pray for those who prepare for baptism, especially Jon, Emily, and Edward. We pray that we all might be given the grace and strength to repent and grow closer to you, O God. Create in us clean hearts, O God,  
*People* **and renew a right spirit within us.**

*Leader* We pray for those who have died, and who have entered into the land of eternal Light and your abiding peace. Cast them not away from your presence,  
*People* **and take not your Holy Spirit from them.**

*Presider* Lord Jesus, we pray that you would reach down into the dust of the earth and bring us your sight, that we might see what you need us to see, and do what you need us to do in your Holy Name. **Amen.**

### **Confession of Sin**

*Presider* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*A brief period of silence is kept.*

*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.**

### **Absolution**

*Presider* 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

*Presider*      The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People*        **And also with you.**

*You are invited 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 any physical connections before offering that kind of peace. Following the Peace, the people are seated.*

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

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### Offertory Sentence

*Presider*      Let us do what is good and spread love to those we meet. Let us bring forth the fruit of our labor, sharing what we have with our neighbors and with God, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

**Offering:** *Your financial gifts help the church to continue to serve the community, lift up the faithful, and keep this beautiful building safe. We invite you to give a gift/pledge to the church during the Offertory. If you prefer to give electronically you can text CHT DONATE to 7325 or use the QR Code on page 3.*

### Anthem

*Wash Me Thoroughly*

Samuel S. Wesley

Wash me thoroughly from my wickedness,  
and forgive me all my sin.  
For I acknowledge my faults,  
and my sin is ever before me.

*Please stand as able.*

*Celebrant*                          *People*

The Lord be with you.      And al - so with you.

*Celebrant*                          *People*

Lift up your hearts.      We lift them to the Lord.

*Celebrant*

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People*

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

*Celebrant* It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. You bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you. 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: S-114

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of

Hosts: Hea - ven and earth are full of thy glo - ry. Glo -

ry be to thee, O Lord Most High. Bless - cd is he that com - eth

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*The people remain standing or kneel.*

*Celebrant* Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, 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, 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

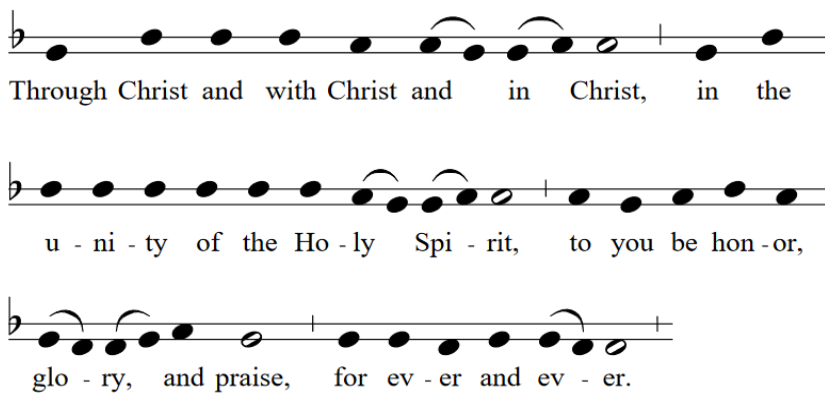
*All* **Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**


*Celebrant* Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

*Celebrant*



Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the  
u - ni - ty of the Ho - ly Spi - rit, to you be hon - or,  
glo - ry, and praise, for ev - er and ev - er.

*People*



A - MEN.

## The Lord's Prayer

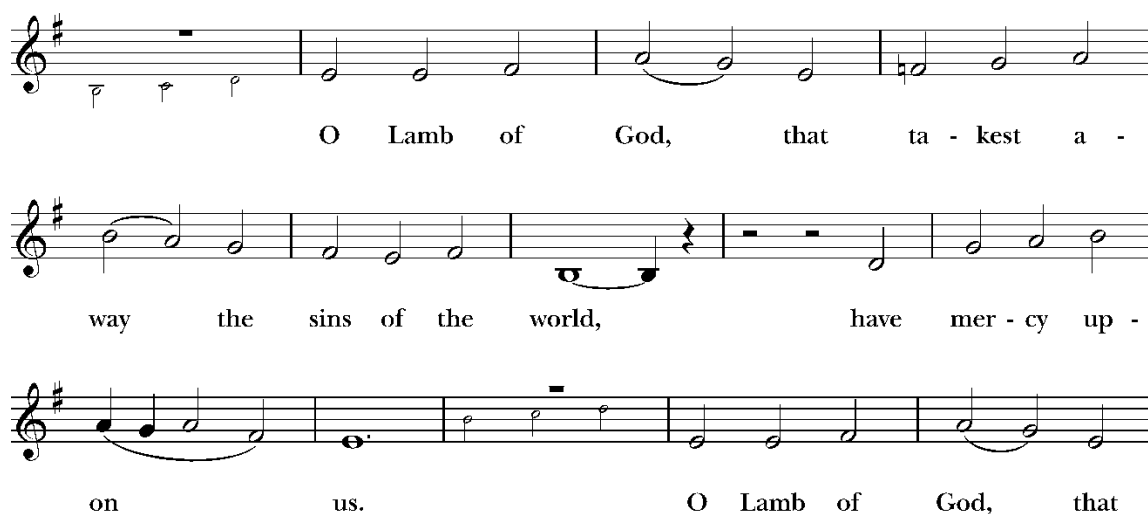
*Celebrant* And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

*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

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

## Agnus Dei: S-158



O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a -  
way the sins of the world, have mer - cy up -  
on us. O Lamb of God, that

ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, have

mer - cy up - on us. O Lamb of

God, that ta - kest a - way the sins of the

world, grant us thy peace.

*Celebrant* 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.

*The People are seated.*

### **Prayer for Spiritual Communion** *for those not taking communion or joining online today*

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

*by St. Alphonsus de Liguori (1696-1787),*

### **Distribution of Communion**

*If you wish to receive communion, please follow the directions of the ushers and come to the altar rail at the front of the church. We will bring communion to those unable to come to a standing station or those who are more comfortable staying in their pew. If you need a gluten-free wafer or prefer a blessing, please let the priest know. Our healing team will be available in the prayer chapel to pray for you or someone you love during communion.*



Communion Hymn 727

Woodslake

1. As pant - ing deer de - sire the wa - ter - brooks  
2. Both day and night my tears have been my food,  
3. Why are you heav - y - heart - ed, O my soul?

when wan - dering in a dry and des - ert place, so yearns my thirs - ty soul for  
while scof - fers taunt me, "Where is your God now?" My soul dis - solves as I re -  
And why are you so mired in deep dis - cord? Still put your hope and trust in

you, O God, and longs at last to see you face to face.  
call the throng whose pil - grim hymns I led to Zi - on's brow.  
God a - lone, whom I will praise, my Sav - ior and my Lord.

*Please stand.*

## Post Communion Prayer

*Celebrant* 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

*Celebrant* God, who from the death of sin raised you to new life in Christ, keep you from falling and set you in the presence of his glory; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you, and remain with you always. Amen.

## Dismissal Hymn 478

*Monk's Gate*



1 Je - sus, our might - y Lord, our strength in sad - ness, —  
2 Good shep-herd of your sheep, your own de - fend - ing, —  
3 Glo - rious their life who sing, with glad thanks-giv - ing, —



the Fa - ther's con - quering Word, true source of glad - ness; —  
in love your chil - dren keep to life un - end - ing. —  
true hymns to Christ the King in all their liv - ing: —



your Name we glo - ri - fy, O Je - sus, throned on high;  
You are your - self the Way: lead us then day by day  
all who con - fess his Name, come then with hearts a - flame;



you gave your - self to die for our sal - va - tion.  
in your own steps, we pray, O Lord most ho - ly.  
the God of peace ac - claim as Lord and Sa - vior.

## The Dismissal

Presider Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

*As a sign of fasting during the season of Lent,  
there will be no Postludes until the Great Vigil of Easter.*

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