



THE HOLY EUCHARIST

THE SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

February 23, 2025 • 10:00 AM

*Welcome to St. John's, Shaughnessy!
Wherever you are on your spiritual journey,
and whether you are joining us in the church
building or via the livestream, we are glad
you are here!*

*If you are new here and would like to learn
more, please introduce yourself to the clergy
after the service. If you would like to be
added to our mailing list so that we may
keep you informed of upcoming events, please
contact the church office.*

*A brief organ voluntary offered a few minutes before the hour bids us all keep silence for prayer
and preparation.*

*The people's responses are in **bold**.*

PRELUDE *Lobe den Herren*

J.G. Walther (1684-1748)

WELCOME

Please stand as you are able.

THE ENTRANCE RITE

HYMN

LOBE DEN HERREN

1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -
2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wond - rous - ly
3 Praise to the Lord, who doth pros - per thy work and de -
4 Praise to the Lord, who, when tem - pests their war - fare are

a - tion; O my soul, praise him, for
reign - eth, shel - ters thee un - der his
fend thee; sure - ly his good - ness and
wag - ing, who, when the el - e - ments

he is thy health and sal - va - tion: all ye who
wings, yea, so gent - ly sus - tain - eth: hast thou not
mer - cy here dai - ly at - tend thee: pon - der a -
mad - ly a - round thee are rag - ing, bid - deth them

hear, bro - thers and sis - ters draw near,
 seen how thy en - treat - ies have been
 new what the Al - might - y can do,
 cease, turn - eth their fu - ry to peace,

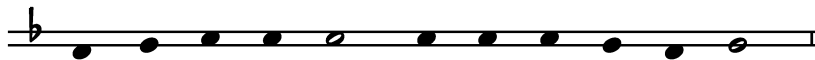
praise him in glad ad - o - ra - tion.
 grant - ed in what he or - dain - eth?
 if with his love he be - friend thee.
 whirl - winds and wa - ters as - suag - ing.

5 Praise to the Lord, who when darkness of sin is abounding,
 who when the godless do triumph, all virtue confounding,
 sheddeth his light,
 chaseth the horrors of night,
 saints with his mercy surrounding.

6 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!
 All that hath life and breath come now with praises before him!
 Let the Amen
 sound from his people again:
 gladly for aye we adore him.

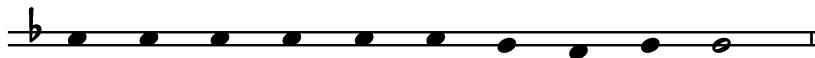
THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant



Bless-ed be the one, ho - ly and liv - ing God.

People



Glo - ry to God for ev - er and ev - er.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. 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 IN EXCELSIS

ALLEIN GOTT IN DER HÖH



1 All glo - ry be to God on high, and peace on earth from
2 O Lamb of God, Lord Je - sus Christ, whom God the Fa - ther
3 You on - ly are the Ho - ly One, who came for our sal -



hea - ven, and God's good will un - fail - ing - ly be
gave us, who for the world was sac - ri - ficed up -
va - tion, and on - ly you are God's true Son, who



to all peo - ple giv - en. We bless, we wor - ship you, we raise for
on the cross to save us; and, as you sit at God's right hand and
was be - fore cre - a - tion. You on - ly, Christ, as Lord we own and,



your great glo - ry thanks and praise, O God, Al - might - y Fa - ther.
we for judg - ment there must stand, have mer - cy, Lord, up - on us.
with the Spi - rit, you a - lone share in the Fa - ther's glo - ry.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty God, your Son revealed in signs and miracles the wonder of your saving love. Renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your mighty power; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated. Children are invited to follow their leaders to Godly Play. They will return to their families at the exchange of the peace.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST READING

Genesis 45:3-11, 15

A reading from the book of Genesis.

Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence. Then Joseph said to his brothers, "Come closer to me." And they came closer. He said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, "Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. I will provide for you there - since there are five more years of famine to come - so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty." And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

- 1 Do not fret yourself because of evildoers;
do not be jealous of those who do wrong.
- 2 For they shall soon wither like the grass,
and like the green grass fade away.
- 3 Put your trust in the Lord and do good;
dwell in the land and feed on its riches.
- 4 Take delight in the Lord,
and he shall give you your heart's desire.
- 5 Commit your way to the Lord and put your trust in him,
and he will bring it to pass.
- 6 He will make your righteousness as clear as the light
and your just dealing as the noonday.
- 7 Be still before the Lord
and wait patiently for him.
- 8 Do not fret yourself over the one who prospers,
the one who succeeds in evil schemes.
- 9 Refrain from anger, leave rage alone;
do not fret yourself; it leads only to evil.
- 10 For evildoers shall be cut off,
but those who wait upon the Lord shall possess the land.
- 11 In a little while the wicked shall be no more;
you shall search out their place, but they will not be there.
- 12 But the lowly shall possess the land;
they will delight in abundance of peace.
- 41 But the deliverance of the righteous comes from the Lord;
he is their stronghold in time of trouble.
- 42 The Lord will help them and rescue them;
he will rescue them from the wicked and deliver them,
because they seek refuge in him.

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

But someone will ask, “How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?” Fool! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. And as for what you sow, you do not sow the body that is to be, but a bare seed, perhaps of wheat or of some other grain. But God gives it a body as he has chosen, and to each kind of seed its own body. So it is with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable, what is raised is imperishable. It is sown in dishonour, it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness, it is raised in power. It is sown a physical body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a physical body, there is also a spiritual body. Thus it is written, “The first man, Adam, became a living being”; the last Adam became a life-giving spirit. But it is not the spiritual that is first, but the physical, and then the spiritual. The first man was from the earth, a man of dust; the second man is from heaven. As was the man of dust, so are those who are of the dust; and as is the man of heaven, so are those who are of heaven. Just as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we will also bear the image of the man of heaven. What I am saying, brothers and sisters, is this: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

HYMN

TWENTY-FOURTH (PRIMROSE)

1 Where char - i - ty and love pre - vail, there God is ev - er found;
2 With grate - ful joy and ho - ly fear his char - i - ty we learn;
3 For - give we now each oth - er's faults as we our faults con - fess;
4 Let strife a - mong us be un - known, let all con - ten - tion cease;

brought here to - geth - er by Christ's love, by love are we thus bound.
let us with heart and mind and strength now love him in re - turn.
and let us love each oth - er well in Chris - tian ho - li - ness.
be his the glo - ry that we seek, be ours his ho - ly peace.

5 Let us recall that in our midst dwells God's begotten Son; as members of his body joined, we are in him made one.

6 Love can exclude no race or creed if honoured be God's name; our common life embraces all whose Father is the same.

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The Cantor sings the Alleluia; then all repeat.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Cantor A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another as I have loved you. **Alleluia . . .**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus said, "But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you. If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful. Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven; give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back."

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Please be seated.

THE SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Terry Shields Dirbas

Please stand as you are able.

THE NICENE CREED

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. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped 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

In peace, let us pray to the Lord, saying,

Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Almighty God, we pray for your Church throughout the world, that all who confess your name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. In the Anglican Communion, we pray for the Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil; for our companion diocese, the Diocese of Northern Philippines; and for our companion parishes of St. Luke, Butbut Proper, and St. James, Luccong. In the Anglican Church of Canada, we pray for Anne, our Acting Primate; Chris, the National Indigenous Archbishop; and John, our Archbishop. In the Diocese of New Westminster, we pray for the churches of St. Brigid at Christ Church Cathedral; All Saints, Agassiz; and the Justice and Peace Unit.

Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honour one another and serve the common good. We pray especially for Justin, our Prime Minister; David, our Premier; and Ken, our mayor.

Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honour and glory.

Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Lord in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. (We remember especially . . .)

Lord in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. (We remember especially . . .).

Lord in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

The Celebrant concludes

God of mercy, keep before us the love you have revealed in your Son, who prayed even for his enemies. In our words and actions help us to follow his example, so that we may transform hatred into love and selfishness into generosity; through Jesus Christ, our great reward. **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; God welcomes sinners and invites them to this table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

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 neighbours 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.**

Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Please stand as you are able.

THE PEACE

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

The people greet one another with signs of God's peace.

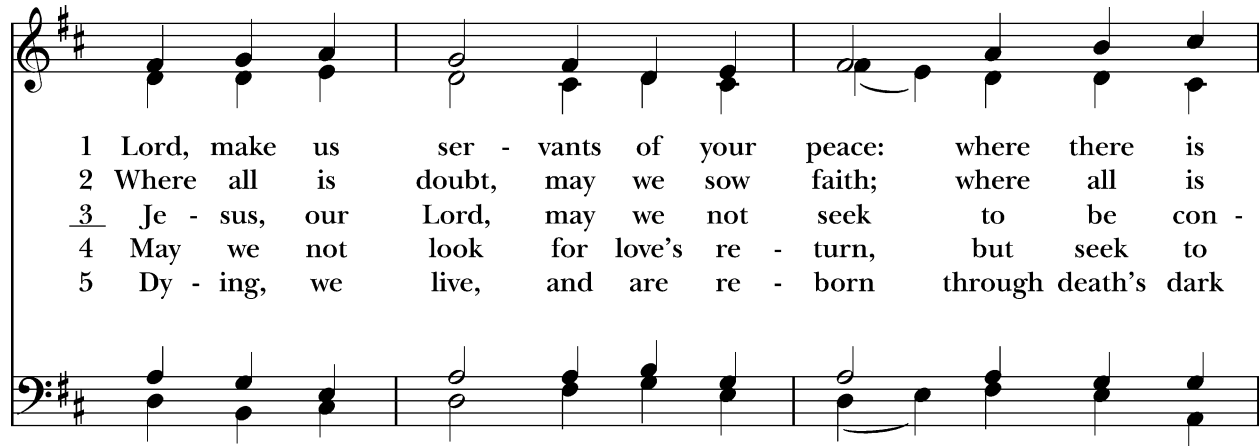
THE OFFERTORY

As the altar is prepared for Holy Communion, the congregation is invited to make an offering as an expression of gratitude for God's generosity. A QR code is provided for those who prefer to donate online. During the collection, a hymn is sung.

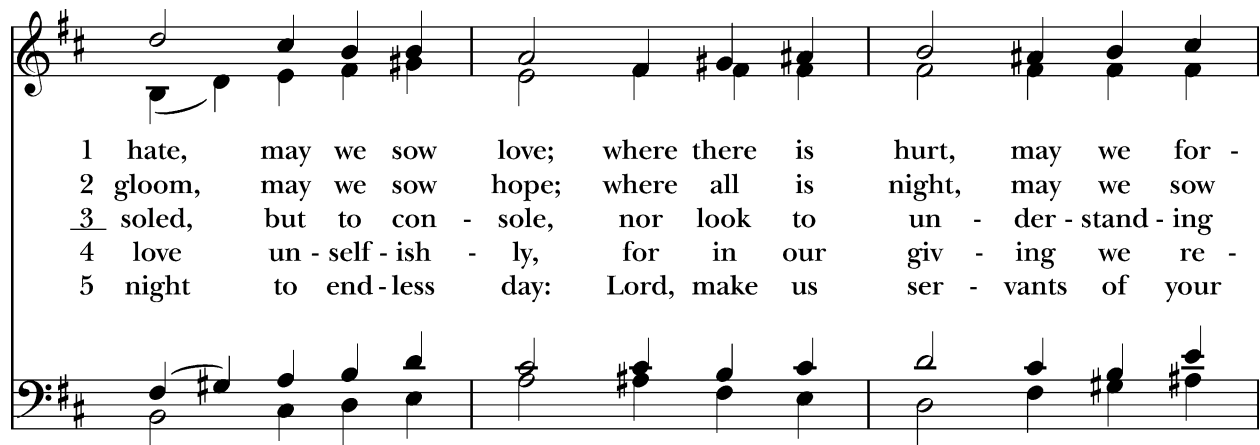


OFFERTORY HYMN

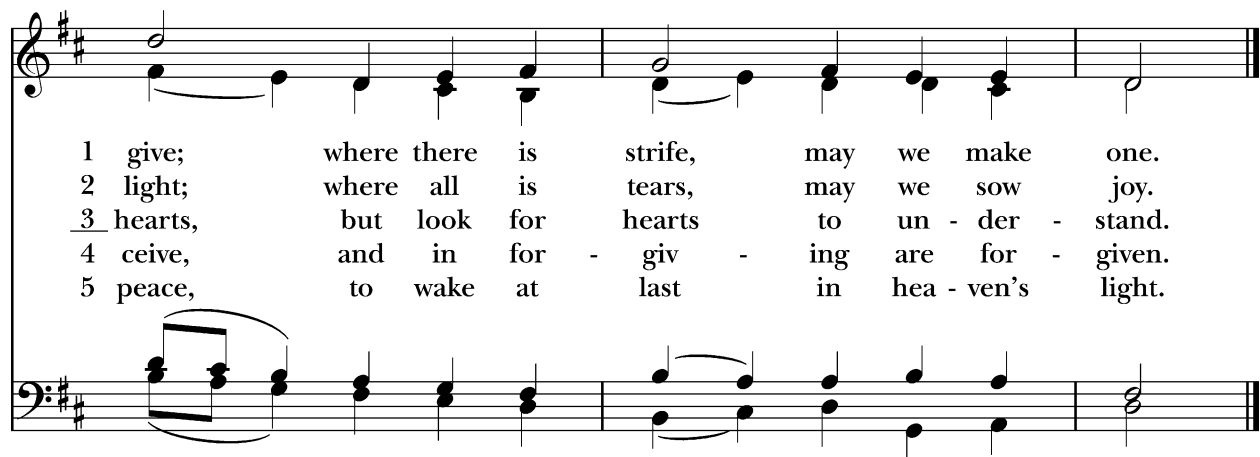
DICKINSON COLLEGE



1 Lord, make us ser - vants of your peace: where there is
 2 Where all is doubt, may we sow faith; where all is
 3 Je - sus, our Lord, may we not seek to be con -
 4 May we not look for love's re - turn, but seek to
 5 Dy - ing, we live, and are re - born through death's dark



1 hate, may we sow love; where there is hurt, may we for -
 2 gloom, may we sow hope; where all is night, may we sow
 3 soled, but to con - sole, nor look to un - der - stand - ing
 4 love un - self - ish - ly, for in our giv - ing we re -
 5 night to end - less day: Lord, make us ser - vants of your



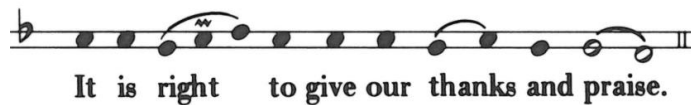
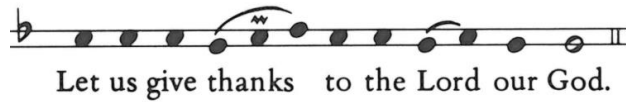
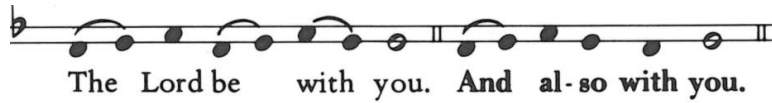
1 give; where there is strife, may we make one.
 2 light; where all is tears, may we sow joy.
 3 hearts, but look for hearts to un - der - stand.
 4 ceive, and in for - giv - ing are for - given.
 5 peace, to wake at last in hea - ven's light.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Merciful God, accept all we offer you this day. Lead us to love you with all our heart, and to love all people with your perfect love. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind. Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,

heav - en and earth are full, full of your glo -

ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na

in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes

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

high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

The Celebrant continues

Glory and honour are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering.

Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: “Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ’s coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

Dying, you destroyed our death.

Rising, you restored our life.

Christ Jesus, come in glory!

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit’s power, may be a people of hope, justice and love.

Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with all your people into the joy of our true eternal home. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise. Blessed are you now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LORD’S PRAYER

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

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, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

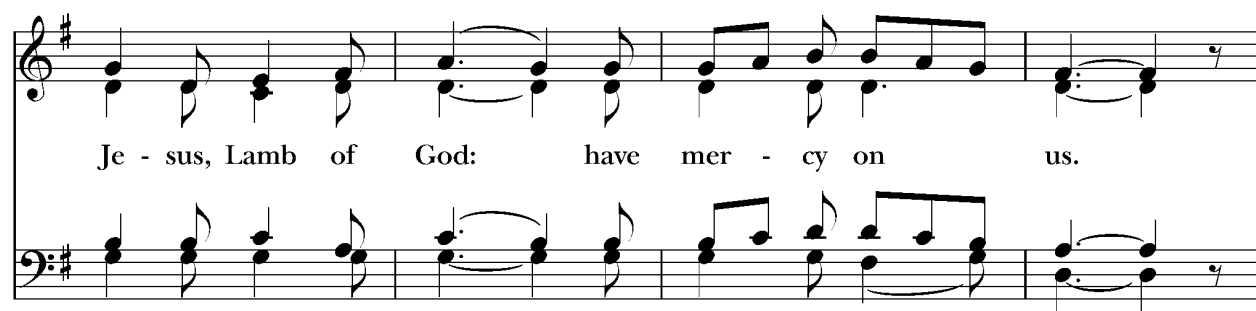
The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread.

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

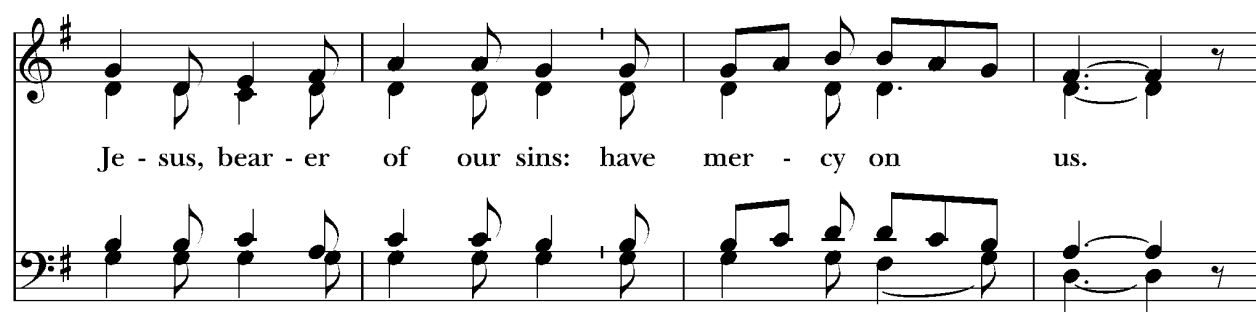
We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

THE FRACTION ANTHEM *Deutsche Messe*

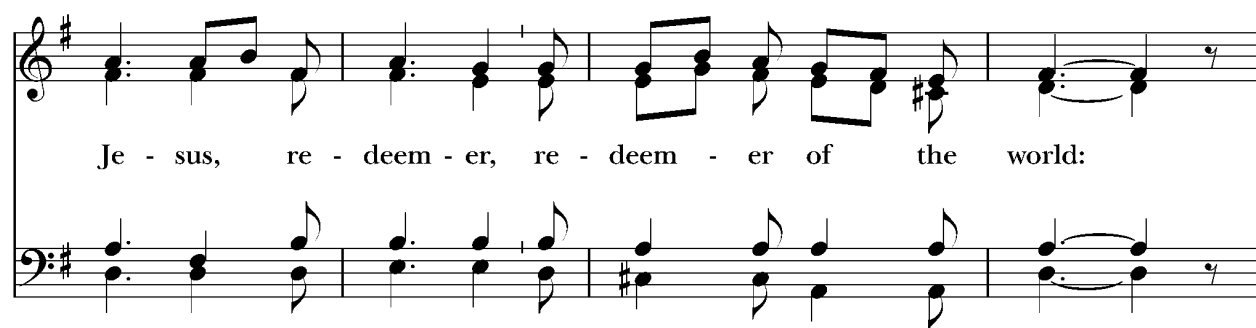
F. Schubert




Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.



Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.



Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:



give us your peace, give us your peace.

THE INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

The gifts of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

We invite all baptized Christians to receive the sacrament of Holy Communion. If you prefer to receive a blessing instead of the bread and wine, you may indicate that desire by crossing your arms over your chest. If you are unable to come forward, please ask a sidesperson to have Communion brought to you.

*Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est.
Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor.
Exsulemus, et in ipso jucundemur,
timeamus, et amemus Deum vivum
et ex corde diligamus nos sincero.*

Where true charity and love dwell, God himself is there.
Since the love of Christ has joined us in one body,
Let us all rejoice and be glad now and always.
And as we hear and love the living God,
So let us in sincerity love all people.

Please stand as you are able.

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Gracious God, in the eucharist we celebrate your love for us and for all people. Grant that strengthened by these holy gifts, we may show your love in our lives, and know its fulfilment in your presence. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE DOXOLOGY

Glory to God, **whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.**

Please be seated.

THE NOTICES

Please stand as you are able.

THE BLESSING

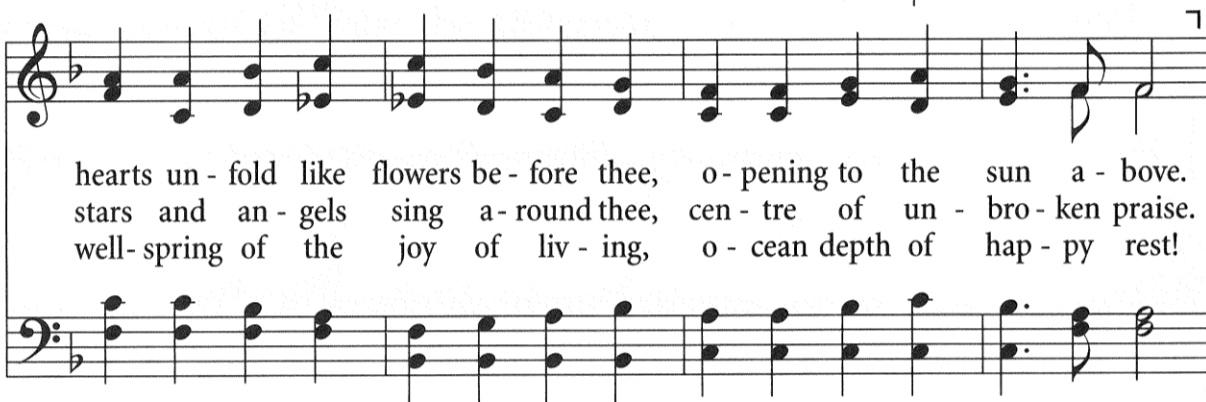
May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**



1 Joy - ful, joy - ful we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love;
 2 All thy works with joy sur-round thee, earth and heaven re - flect thy rays;
 3 Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, ev - er bless - ing, ev - er blest,



hearts un - fold like flowers be - fore thee, o - pening to the sun a - bove.
 stars and an - gels sing a - round thee, cen - tre of un - bro - ken praise.
 well - spring of the joy of liv - ing, o - cean depth of hap - py rest!



Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness, drive the dark of doubt a - way;
 Field and for - est, vale and moun - tain, flow - ery mead - ow, flash - ing sea,
 Thou our Fa - ther and our Moth - er, all who live in love are thine;



giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, fill us with the light of day.
 chant - ing bird and flow - ing foun - tain call us to re - joice in thee.
 teach us how to love each oth - er, lift us to the joy di - vine.



THE DISMISSAL

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

VOLUNTARY *Toccata* Symphony #5 Op.41 No.1 C.M. Widor (1844-1937)

Please remain standing as the procession leaves the church. Though some people choose to stay for the entire organ postlude, please feel welcome to depart when the Spirit moves you. We hope you will join us for coffee and refreshments in the Trendell Lounge after the service.

ST. JOHN'S, SHAUGHNESSY STAFF AND LEADERSHIP

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