



THE HOLY EUCHARIST

HARVEST THANKSGIVING

October 11, 2026 • 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.*

*Infants and children (and their
accompanying noises) enliven our services.
Colouring, crafts, and quiet toys are
available in the children's area, just to the
left of the front pews.*

*We acknowledge with respect that we
worship on the traditional, ancestral, and
unceded territory of the Coast Salish
Peoples, and we pray that we may live more
deeply into the calls to action from Canada's
Truth and Reconciliation Commission.*

*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**.*

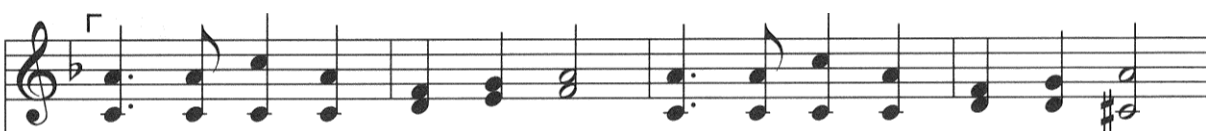
VOLUNTARY *Herr Gott, Beherrscher aller Dinge*, BWV 120a J.S. Bach (1685–1750)

GREETING

THE ENTRANCE RITE

HYMN

ST. GEORGE'S, WINDSOR



1 Come, ye thank-ful peo - ple, come, raise the song of har - vest home!
 2 All the world is God's own field, fruit un - to his praise to yield;
 3 For the Lord our God shall come, and shall take his har - vest home;
 4 Ev - en so, Lord, quick-ly come to thy fi - nal har - vest-home!

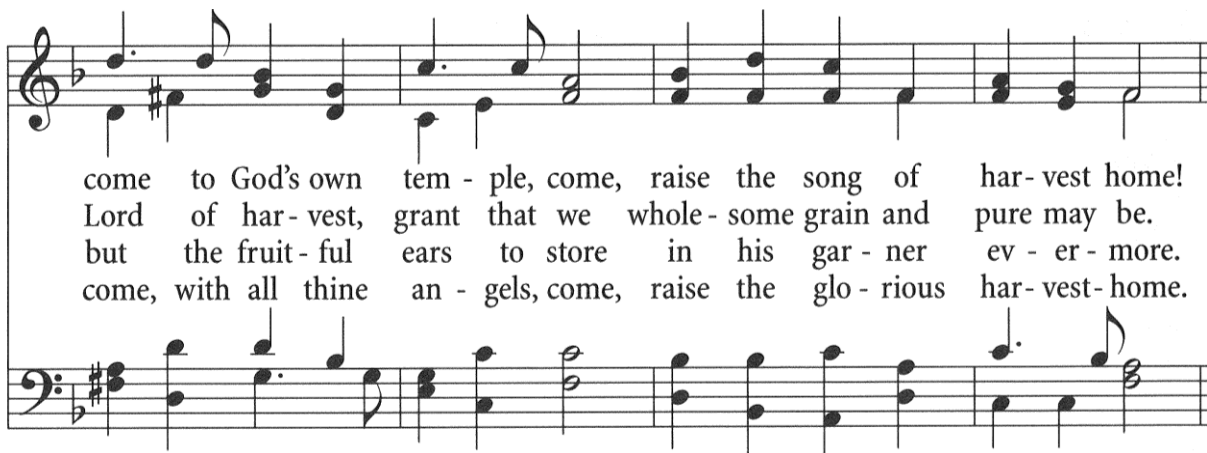


All is safe - ly gath - ered in, ere the win - ter storms be - gin;
 wheat and weeds to - geth - er sown, un - to joy or sor - row grown;
 from his field shall in that day all of - fen - ces purge a - way;
 Gath - er thou thy peo - ple in, free from sor - row, free from sin,



God, our mak - er, doth pro - vide for our wants to be sup - plied:
 first the blade, and then the ear, then the full corn shall ap - pear:
 give his an - gels charge at last in the fire the weeds to cast;
 there for - ev - er pur - i - fied, in thy pres - ence to a - bide:

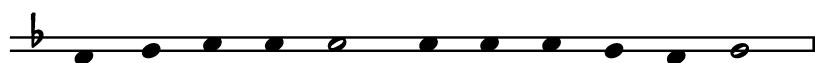




come to God's own tem - ple, come, raise the song of har - vest home!
 Lord of har - vest, grant that we whole - some grain and pure may be.
 but the fruit - ful ears to store in his gar - ner ev - er - more.
 come, with all thine an - gels, come, raise the glo - rious har - vest - home.

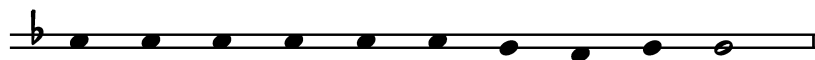
THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

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.**

KYRIE

Edward Norman (b.1942)



GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

John Merbecke (c.1510–c.1585)

Glory be to God on high,

and in earth peace, good will to-wards men. We praise thee,

we bless thee, we wor - ship thee, we glo - ri - fy thee,

we give thanks to thee for thy great glo - ry, O Lord God, hea-ven - ly King,

God the Fa-ther al-migh-ty. O Lord, the on - ly be-got-ten Son, Je - su Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa-ther, that tak-est a-way the sins of the world,

have mer - cy up - on us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world,

have mer - cy up - on us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world,

re - ceive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Fa - ther,

have mer-cy up - on us. For thou on - ly art ho - ly; thou on - ly art the Lord;

thou on-ly, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. A-men.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Creator of the fruitful earth, you made us stewards of all things. Give us grateful hearts for all your goodness, and steadfast wills to use your bounty well, that the whole human family, today and in generations to come, may with us give thanks for the riches of your creation. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST READING

Isaiah 25:1–9

A reading from the Prophet Isaiah.

O Lord, you are my God; I will exalt you, I will praise your name; for you have done wonderful things, plans formed of old, faithful and sure. For you have made the city a heap, the fortified city a ruin; the palace of aliens is a city no more, it will never be rebuilt. Therefore strong peoples will glorify you; cities of ruthless nations will fear you. For you have been a refuge to the poor, a refuge to the needy in their distress, a shelter from the rainstorm and a shade from the heat. When the blast of the ruthless was like a winter rainstorm, the noise of aliens like heat in a dry place, you subdued the heat with the shade of clouds; the song of the ruthless was stilled.

On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples, a feast of rich food, a feast of well-matured wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-matured wines strained clear. And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death for ever. Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the Lord has spoken. It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the Lord for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

- 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 running 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 SECOND READING

Philippians 4:1–9

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Philippians.

Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved. I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, to together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life. Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honourable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.”

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



1. For the beau - ty of the earth, for the beau - ty of the skies,
 2. For the beau - ty of each hour of the day and of the night,
 3. For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's de-light,
 4. For the joy of hu - man love, broth-er, sis - ter, par - ent, child,
 5. For each per - fect gift of thine to our race so free - ly given,
 6. For the church that ev - er-more lift - eth ho - ly hands a - bove,



for the love which from our birth o - ver and a - round us lies,
 hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon and stars of light,
 — for the mys - tic har - mo - ny link - ing sense to sound and sight,
 friends on earth and friends a - bove, for all gen - tle thoughts and mild,
 gra - ces hu - man and di - vine, flowers of earth and buds of heaven,
 of - fering up on ev - ery shore her pure sac - ri - fice of love,



R. Christ, our God, to thee we raise this our sa - cri - fice of praise.

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The Cantor sings an Alleluia; then all sing:



Cantor Those who sowed with tears will reap with songs of joy.
Refrain.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 22:1–14

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Matthew.
Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, ‘Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.’ But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, ‘The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.’ Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests. But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, ‘Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?’ And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, ‘Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’ For many are called, but few are chosen.”

The Gospel of Christ.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

THE SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Terry Shields Dirbas

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

Let us give thanks to God, always and in everything, for the gifts so freely bestowed upon us.

For the beauty and wonder of creation, in earth and sky and sea: On this Thanksgiving Sunday, Father, we give you thanks for the fruits of the earth in their season and for the labours of those who harvest them. Make us, we pray, faithful stewards of your great bounty, for the provision of our necessities and the relief of all who are in need, to the glory of your Name. For the goodness we receive from your hand,

We thank you, Lord.

For all that is gracious in the lives of human beings, revealing the image of Christ: In the Anglican Communion we pray for Bishop Sarah Mullally, Archbishop of Canterbury-designate; Shane, our Primate; Chris, the National Indigenous Archbishop; and John, our Archbishop. In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for The Anglican Church of Burundi. In our own diocese, we pray for the parish of St Thomas, Chilliwack and

Dr Shakuntala Soden the Diocesan Refugee Administrator. We pray also for our companion diocese, the Diocese of Northern Philippines; and for our companion parishes of St. Leo the Great, Sadsadan, and San Luis, Maba-ay. For their witness to your love,

We thank you, Lord.

For our daily food and drink, our homes and families, and our friends: We give thanks for the celebrations many will share this weekend with those they love. We also remember in prayer those who are lonely or in need on this holiday. May we share with one another out of our abundance, that all people may know the blessings of a full heart and a full belly. For our daily bread, and for all those we love,

We thank you, Lord.

For minds to think, and hearts to love, and hands to serve: For all the ministries of this parish, and for all who seek to know you and to serve you,

We thank you, Lord.

For health and strength to work, and leisure to rest and play: We remember all those who continue to labour this weekend, sacrificing time with family for the sake of the common good. For the vocations and tasks that call us to offer the best of ourselves, and for time to enjoy the fruits of our labour,

We thank you, Lord.

For the brave and courageous, who are patient in suffering and faithful in adversity: We pray especially for those who have asked our prayers (including . . .). For your steadfast love and for your presence with us in our times of pain and heartache,

We thank you, Lord.

For all valiant seekers after truth, liberty, and justice; for the prophets of old, and for the prophets of today, who call us more closely to follow the example of your Son, and to work to make your peace and justice known in our world,

We thank you, Lord.

For the communion of saints, in all times and places: We pray for those who mourn the loss of loved ones, and for those who have died (including . . .). For all those we love but see no longer, and for the sure and certain hope of the resurrection,

We thank you, Lord.

Above all, we give you thanks for the great mercies and promises given to us in Christ Jesus our Lord:

To Christ be praise and glory, with you, O Father, and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

THE PEACE

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

THE OFFERTORY

Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good your vows to the Most High.

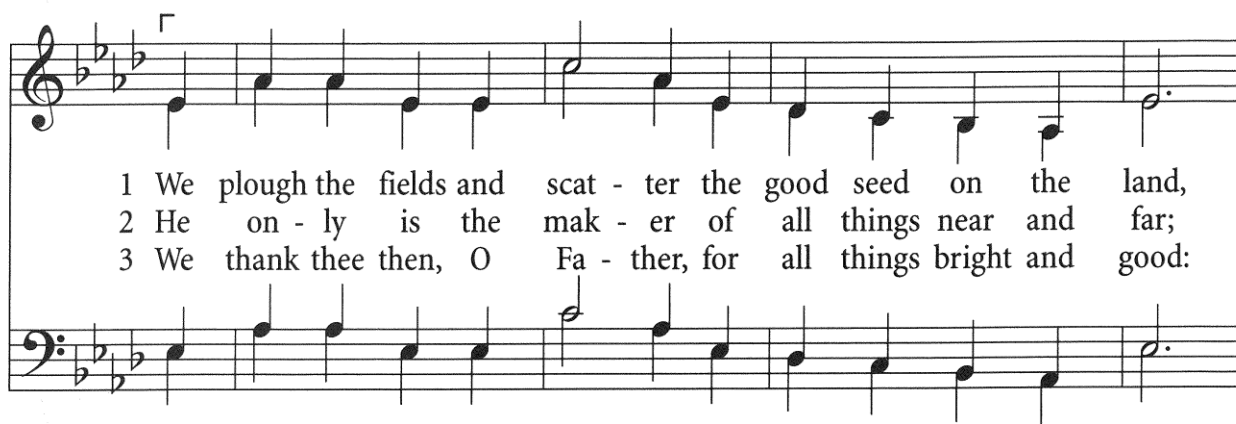
Psalm 50:14

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

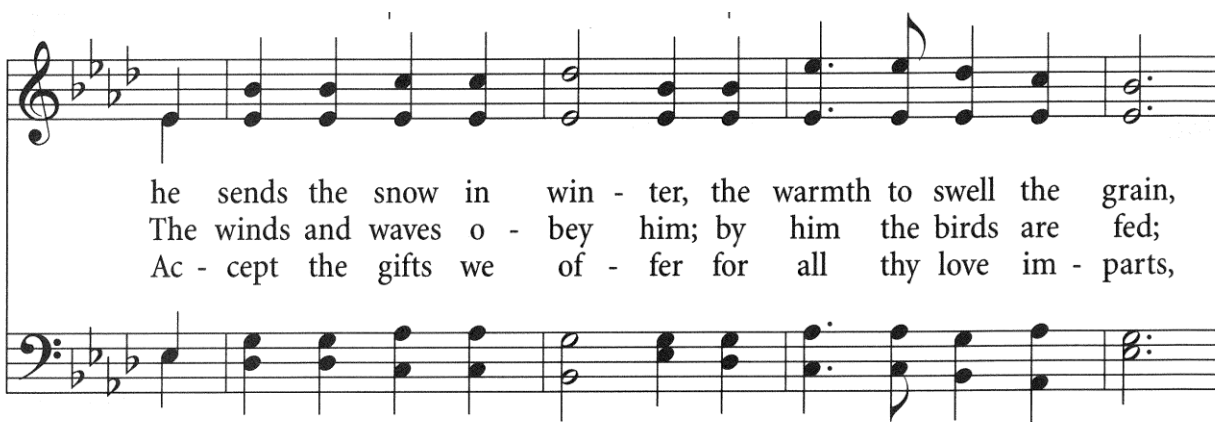
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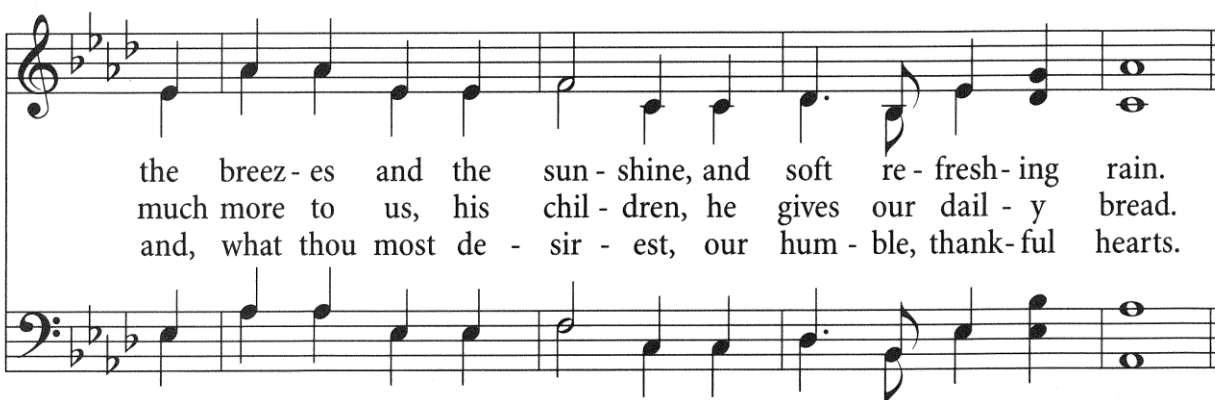
1 We plough the fields and scat - ter the good seed on the land,
 2 He on - ly is the mak - er of all things near and far;
 3 We thank thee then, O Fa - ther, for all things bright and good:



but it is fed and wa - tered by God's al - might - y hand;
 he paints the way - side flow - er, he lights the eve - ning star.
 the seed-time and the har - vest, our life, our health, our food.



he sends the snow in win - ter, the warmth to swell the grain,
 The winds and waves o - bey him; by him the birds are fed;
 Ac - cept the gifts we of - fer for all thy love im - parts,



the breez - es and the sun - shine, and soft re - fresh - ing rain.
 much more to us, his chil - dren, he gives our dail - y bread.
 and, what thou most de - sir - est, our hum - ble, thank - ful hearts.

Refrain

All good gifts a - round us are sent from heaven a - bove;

then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord, for all his love.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Source of all life, the heaven and earth are yours, yet you have given us dominion over all things. Receive the symbols of our labour and love which we offer you this day, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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

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

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; we give you thanks and praise, because, in the mystery you disclose to us, you reveal your glory as the glory of your Son and the Holy Spirit: three persons equal in majesty, undivided in splendour, yet one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your everlasting glory. Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the holy people who have served you in every age, we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS QUI VENIT

Edward Norman

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.
Blessed is he who com-eth in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

The Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling 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 Saviour 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 he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, 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, Father, according to his command,

**we remember his death,
we proclaim his resurrection,
we await his coming in glory;**

and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, 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, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all 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 whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, 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

Creator of all, you gave us golden fields of wheat,
whose many grains we have gathered and made into this one bread.

**So may your church be gathered
from the ends of the earth into your kingdom.**

AGNUS DEI

Edward Norman



O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy up-on us.



O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy 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. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. 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.

ANTHEM *I sat down under his shadow*

Edward Bairstow

I sat down under his shadow with great delight,
 and his fruit was sweet to my taste.
 He brought me to the banqueting house,
 and his banner over me was love.

Song of Solomon 2:3–4

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of our hope, in this eucharist we find the source of all your blessings.
 Nourished in these holy mysteries may we, with our lives, give you
 continual thanks and praise. This we ask 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.**

THE NOTICES

THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING

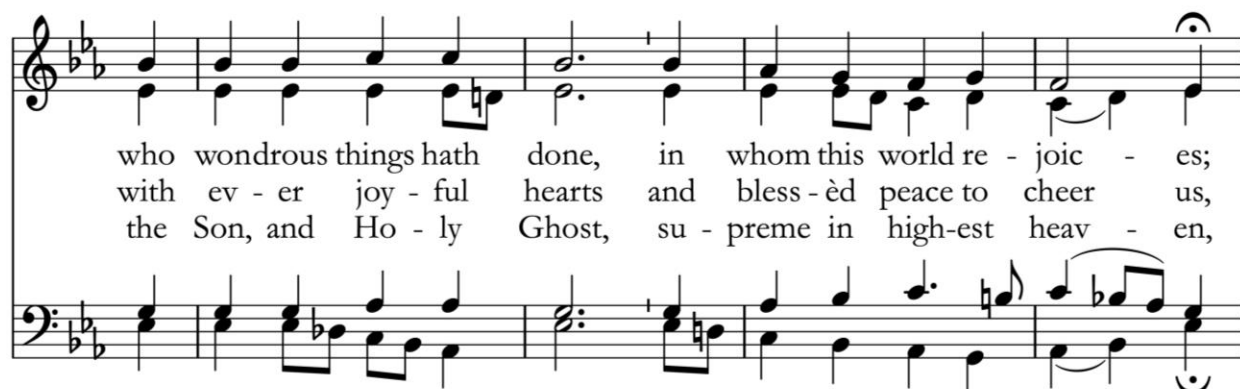
Almighty God,
Father of all mercies,
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks
for all your goodness and loving-kindness
to us and to all whom you have made.
We bless you for our creation, preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for your immeasurable love
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.
And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,
that with truly thankful hearts
we may show forth your praise,
not only with our lips, but in our lives,
by giving up our selves to your service,
and by walking before you
in holiness and righteousness all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be honour and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

THE BLESSING

The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of God's Son, Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**



1. Now thank we all our God, with heart, and hands, and voices,
 2. O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,
 3. All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given,



who wondrous things hath done, in whom this world rejoices;
 with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us,
 the Son, and Holy Ghost, supreme in highest heaven,



who from our mother's arms hath blessed us on our way
 and keep us in his grace, and guide us when perplexed,
 the one eternal God, whom heaven and earth adore;



with countless gifts of love, and still is ours to-day.
 and free us from all ills in this world and the next.
 for thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.

THE DISMISSAL

Let go forth in the name of Christ.
Thanks be to God.

VOLUNTARY

Nun danket alle Gott, BWV 79/iii

J.S. Bach
arr. Virgil Fox (1912–1980)

Please remain standing as the procession leaves the church. We hope you will join us for refreshments in the Trendell Lounge after the service.

ST. JOHN'S, SHAUGHNESSY STAFF AND LEADERSHIP

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