

GRACE episcopal church

† The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost (19A) †

September 13, 2026 | 10:30am | Sung Mass

Voluntary: Chorale Fantasia on an Old English Tune

C. Hubert H. Parry

The Liturgy of the Word

(Please stand when the bell rings at the entrance of the Ministers.)

Introit *Da pacem, Domine*

Eccles. 36:18, Ps. 122:1

Antiphon: Give peace, O Lord, to them that wait for thee, and let thy Prophets be found faithful; regard the prayers of thy servant, and of thy people Israel.

Psalm: I was glad when they said unto me: we will go into the house of the Lord.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen. *(Repeat antiphon.)*

Opening Acclamation

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

People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Collect for Purity

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Summary of the Law

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

Kyrie eleison from *Missa Simplicior*

Pink pew sheet

1) Cantor
2-3) All

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2) All

Ky-ri - e e-le-i-son.(3x) Chri-ste e-le-i-son.(3x) Ky-ri - e e-le-i-son.(2x)

4 All

Ky-ri - e e-le - i - son._____

Gloria in excelsis from *Missa Simplicior*

Pink pew sheet (on reverse)

Cantor

All

Glo-ry be to God on high. And on earth peace, good will to-wards men.

3

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

7

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

10

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

13

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

17

have mer-cy up-on us. Thou that ta-kest a - way the sins of the world, re-ceive our prayer.

20

Thou that sit - test at the right hand of God the Fa - ther, have mer-cy up-on us.

22

For thou on - ly art ho - ly; thou on - ly art the Lord; thou on - ly, O Christ,

25

with the Ho - ly Ghost, art most high in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther.

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A - men._____

The Collect of the Day

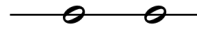
Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O God, forasmuch as without thee we are not able to please thee, mercifully grant that thy Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee and the same Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, now and for ever.

People



(Please be seated for the Lessons.)

A - men.

The First Lesson: Exodus 14:19-31 (NRSV)

A reading from the Book of Exodus.

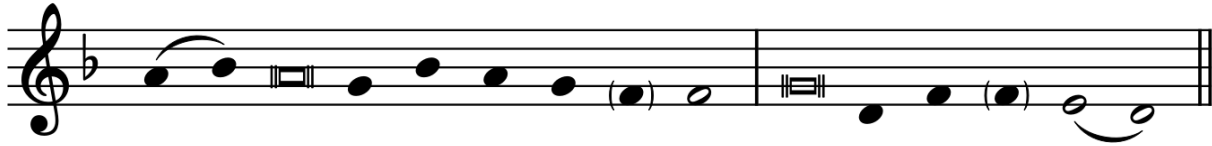
The angel of God who was going before the Israelite army moved and went behind them; and the pillar of cloud moved from in front of them and took its place behind them. It came between the army of Egypt and the army of Israel. And so the cloud was there with the darkness, and it lit up the night; one did not come near the other all night.

Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea. The Lord drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night, and turned the sea into dry land; and the waters were divided. The Israelites went into the sea on dry ground, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. The Egyptians pursued, and went into the sea after them, all of Pharaoh's horses, chariots, and chariot drivers. At the morning watch the Lord in the pillar of fire and cloud looked down upon the Egyptian army, and threw the Egyptian army into panic. He clogged their chariot wheels so that they turned with difficulty. The Egyptians said, "Let us flee from the Israelites, for the Lord is fighting for them against Egypt." Then the Lord said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand over the sea, so that the water may come back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots and chariot drivers." So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at dawn the sea returned to its normal depth. As the Egyptians fled before it, the Lord tossed the Egyptians into the sea. The waters returned and covered the chariots and the chariot drivers, the entire army of Pharaoh that had followed them into the sea; not one of them remained. But the Israelites walked on dry ground through the sea, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. Thus the Lord saved Israel that day from the Egyptians; and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore. Israel saw the great work that the Lord did against the Egyptians. So the people feared the Lord and believed in the Lord and in his servant Moses.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

(Congregation remains seated and sings the bold verses.)



- 1 *Whēn* Israel came out of Egypt, *
and the house of Jacob from among the strange people,
- 2 Judah was | his sanctuary, *
and Israel his | dominiön.
- 3 The | sea saw that, and fled; *
Jordan | was driven bäck.
- 4 The | mountains skipped like rams, *
and the little hills | like young shēep.
- 5 What aileth thee, O thou | sea, that thou fleddest? *
and thou Jordan, that thou | wast driv[^]en bäck?
- 6 Ye mountains, | that ye skipped like rams? *
and ye little hills, | like young shēep?
- 7 Tremble, thou earth, at | the presence of the [^] Lord: *
at the presence of the God | of Jacöb;
- 8 Who turned the hard rock into | a standing water, *
and the flint-stone into | a spring[^]ing wëll.

The Epistle: Romans 14:1-12 (NRSV)

Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarreling over opinions.

Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables.

Those who eat must not despise those who abstain,

and those who abstain must not pass judgment on those who eat;

for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgment on servants of another?

It is before their own lord that they stand or fall.

And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand.

Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike.

Let all be fully convinced in their own minds.

Those who observe the day, observe it in honor of the Lord.

Also those who eat, eat in honor of the Lord, since they give thanks to God;

while those who abstain, abstain in honor of the Lord and give thanks to God.

We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves.

If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord;

so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's.

For to this end Christ died and lived again,

so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister?

Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister?

For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God.

For it is written, "As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me,

and every tongue shall give praise to God."

So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

(Please stand for the Alleluia and Gospel.)

Alleluia *Timebunt gentes*

Ps. 102:15

Cantor: 

People: 

Choir: The peoples shall fear thy Name, O Lord:
and all the kings of the earth thy majesty.

The People repeat the Alleluia.

The Holy Gospel: St. Matthew 18:21-35 (RSV)

Gospeller: The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People: ✠ **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Then Peter came up and said to him, “Lord, how often shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?” Jesus said to him, “I do not say to you seven times, but seventy times seven.

“Therefore the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants. When he began the reckoning, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents; and as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made. So the servant fell on his knees, imploring him, ‘Lord, have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.’ And out of pity for him the lord of that servant released him and forgave him the debt. But that same servant, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat he said, ‘Pay what you owe.’ So his fellow servant fell down and besought him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you.’ He refused and went and put him in prison till he should pay the debt. When his fellow servants saw what had taken place, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, ‘You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you besought me; and should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?’ And in anger his lord delivered him to the jailers, till he should pay all his debt. So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart.”

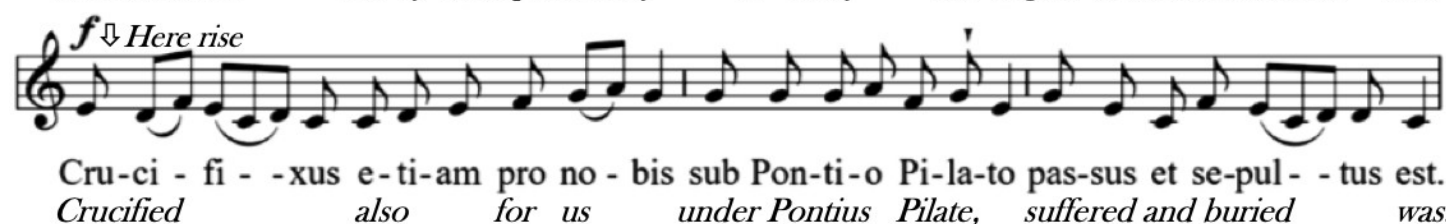
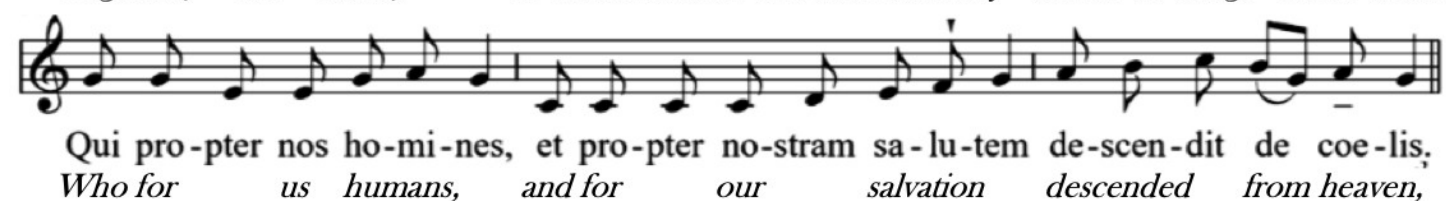
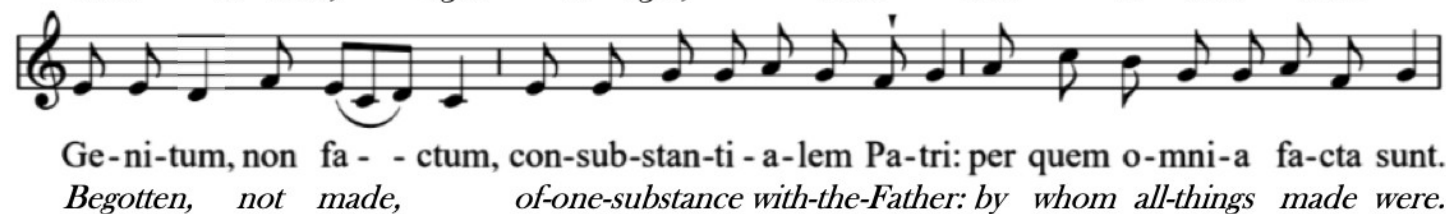
Gospeller: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

The Sermon—Sr. Gregory Simmons, OCC

(Please be seated.)

(Please stand for the Nicene Creed and Prayers of the People.)





Et re-sur-re-xit ter-ti-a di-e, se-cun-dum Scri-ptu-ras. Et a-scen-dit in coe - - lum:
And rose-again the-third day, according-to the-Scriptures. And ascended into heaven:



se-det ad dex-te-ram Pa - - tris. Et i - te-rum ven-tu-rus est cum glo-ri - a
he-sits at the-right-hand of-the-Father. And again to-come is with glory



ju - di - ca - re vi - vos et mor-tu - os: cu - jus re - gni non e - rit fi - nis.
to judge the-living and the-dead: of-whose kingdom not shall-be an-end.



Et in Spi - ri - tum San - ctum, Do - mi - num, et vi - vi - fi - can - tem:
And in the-Spirit Holy, the-Lord, and giver-of-life:



qui ex Pa - tre. Fi - li - o - que pro - ce - dit. Qui cum Pa - tre et Fi - li - o
who from the-Father and-the-Son proceeds. Who with the-Father and the-Son



si-mul a-do-ra-tur, et con-glo-ri-fi-ca-tur: qui lo-cu-tus est per Pro - phe-tas.
alike is-worshiped, and together-is-glorified: who spoken has by the-Prophets.



Et u - nam, san - ctam, ca - tho - li - cam, et a - po - sto - li - cam Ec - cle - si - am.
And in-one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church.



Con-fi-te-or u-num ba - ptis-ma in re-mis-si-o-nem pec-ca-to-rum.
I acknowledge one baptism for the-remission of-sins.



✠ Et ex-pe-cto re-sur-re-cti-o-nem mor-tu-o-rum. Et vi - tam ven-tu-ri sae-cu-li.
And I-look-for the-resurrection of-the-dead. And the-life to-come of-the-world.



A - - - - - men.

The Prayers of the People (*Stand or kneel*)

Form IV

Leader: Let us pray for the Church and for the world.
Grant, almighty God, that all who confess thy Name may be united in thy truth,
live together in thy love, and reveal thy glory in the world.



Leader: Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. (*pause*)
Lord, in thy mercy **hear our prayer.**

Leader: Give us all a reverence for the earth as thine own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to thy honor and glory. (*pause*)
Lord, in thy mercy **hear our prayer.**

Leader: Watch over thy *children* [N.], O Lord, as *their* days increase; bless and guide *them* wherever *they* may be. Strengthen *them* when *they* stand; comfort *them* when discouraged or sorrowful; raise *them* up if *they* fall; and in *their* hearts may thy peace which passeth understanding abide all the days of *their* life. (*pause*) Lord, in thy mercy **hear our prayer.**

Leader: We pray for an increase in the membership of this parish; that we may have the hands and hearts to carry out thy will. (*pause*) Lord, in thy mercy **hear our prayer.**

Leader: We commend to thy gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad (*especially . . .*). Defend them day by day with thy heavenly grace; strengthen them in their trials and temptations; give them courage to face the perils which beset them; and grant them a sense of thine abiding presence wherever they may be. (*pause*) Lord, in thy mercy **hear our prayer.**

Leader: Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit (*especially . . .*); give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of thy salvation. (*pause*) Lord, in thy mercy **hear our prayer.**

Leader: We commend to thy mercy all who have died, that thy will for them may be fulfilled (*especially . . .*); and we pray that we may share with all thy saints in thine eternal kingdom. (*pause*) Lord, in thy mercy **hear our prayer.**

Celebrant: Lord, hear the prayers of thy people; and what we have asked faithfully, grant that we may obtain effectually, to the glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

(Please kneel for the Confession and Absolution.)

Confession of Sin and Absolution

Deacon: Ye who do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbors, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways: draw near with faith, and make your humble confession to Almighty God, devoutly kneeling.

All: Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
Maker of all things, Judge of all men:
We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness,
which we from time to time most grievously have committed,
by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty,
provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us.
We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings;
the remembrance of them is grievous unto us,
the burden of them is intolerable.

Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past;
and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Celebrant: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you with all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(Please stand for the Comfortable Words and the Peace.)

The Comfortable Words

Matt. 11:28, John 3:16

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him:
Come unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you.
God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son,
to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And with thy spirit.**

The Ministers and People greet one another in the Name of the Lord.

The Holy Communion

Offertory Sentence

Ps. 50:14

Celebrant: Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving,
and make good thy vows unto the Most High.

Offertory *Sanctificavit Moyses*

Exodus 24:4-5

Moses consecrated an altar unto the Lord, offering burnt offerings upon it, and sacrificing peace offerings: and he made an evening sacrifice for a sweet-smelling savour unto the Lord God, in the sight of the children of Israel.

Hymn 5 “O splendor of God’s glory bright”

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 fy - 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.

Presentation of the Alms & Oblations

Celebrant: All things come of thee, O Lord,

People: And of thine own have we given thee.

Celebrant: Pray that this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving may be acceptable to God the Father Almighty.

People: May the Lord receive this sacrifice at thy hands,
to the praise and glory of his holy Name,
both to our benefit and that of all his holy Church.

Sursum corda

The musical score for 'Sursum corda' is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of four staves. The first staff is for the Celebrant and the People, with the lyrics 'The Lord be with you. And with thy spirit.' The second staff is for the Celebrant and the People, with the lyrics 'Lift up your hearts. We lift them up un-to the Lord.' The third staff is for the Celebrant, with the lyrics 'Let us give thanks un- to our Lord God.' The fourth staff is for the People, with the lyrics 'It is meet and right so to do.'

Celebrant *People*
The Lord be with you. And with thy spi- rit.

Celebrant *People*
Lift up your hearts. We lift them up un-to the Lord.

Celebrant
Let us give thanks un- to our Lord God.

People
It is meet and right so to do.

Celebrant: It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, Creator of the light and source of life, who hast made us in thine image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

Sanctus & Benedictus from *Missa Simplicior*

Pink pew sheet

The musical score for 'Sanctus & Benedictus' is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of three staves. The first staff is for Cantor 1 and All, with the lyrics 'Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Lord God of hosts, Hea-ven and earth are full of thy glo - ry:'. The second staff is for Cantor 2 and All, with the lyrics 'Glo-ry be to thee, O Lord Most High. Bless-ed is he that com-eth in the Name of the Lord.' The third staff is for All, with the lyrics 'Ho-san - na in the high - est.____'.

Cantor 1 *All*
Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Lord God of hosts, Hea-ven and earth are full of thy glo - ry:

Cantor 2
Glo-ry be to thee, O Lord Most High. Bless-ed is he that com-eth in the Name of the Lord.

All
Ho-san - na in the high - est.____

All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." ✠

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me." ✠

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, ✠ be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee,
O Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen.**

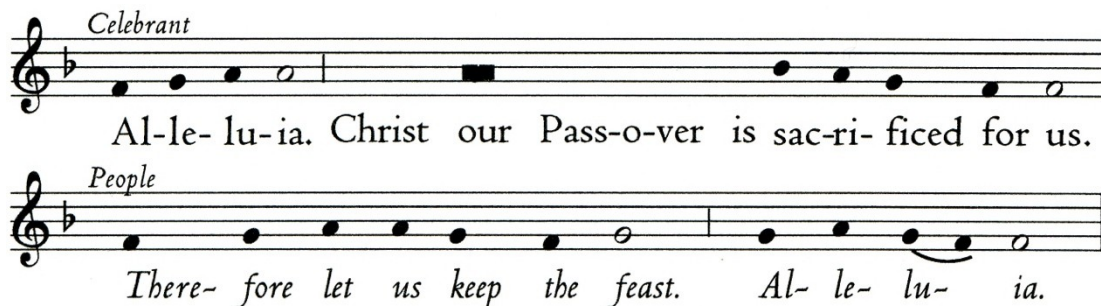
The Lord's Prayer

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



Our Fa-ther, who art in hea-ven, hal-low-ed be thy Name,
thy king-dom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in hea-ven.
Give us this day our dai-ly bread. And for-give us our tres-pas-ses,
as we for-give those who tres-pass a- gainst us. And lead us not in- to
temp- ta- tion, but de-liv-er us from e- vil. For thine is the king-dom,
and the power, and the glo- ry, for ev- er and ev- er. A- men.

The Fraction

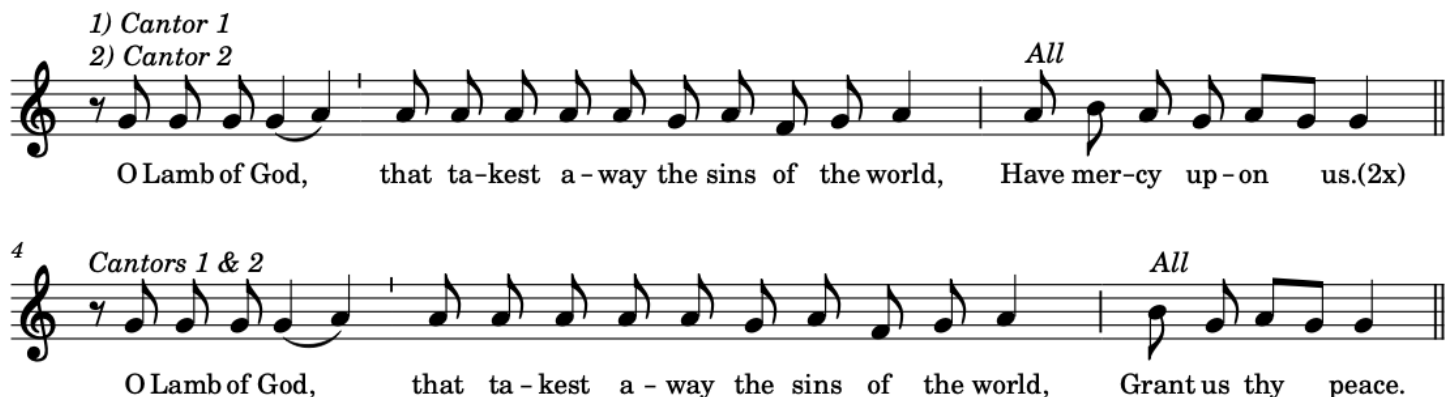


Celebrant
Al-le- lu-ia. Christ our Pass-o-ver is sac-ri- ficed for us.

People
There- fore let us keep the feast. Al- le- lu- ia.

Agnus Dei from *Missa Simplicior*

Pink pew sheet



1) Cantor 1
2) Cantor 2
All
O Lamb of God, that ta-kest a - way the sins of the world, Have mer-cy up - on us.(2x)

4
Cantors 1 & 2
All
O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, Grant us thy peace.

Prayer of Humble Access

Celebrant: Let us pray.

All: We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord,
trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies.
We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table.
But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy.
Grant us therefore, gracious Lord,
so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood,
that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

The Invitation to Communion

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.

People: Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof;
but speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed.

Communion *Tollite hostias*

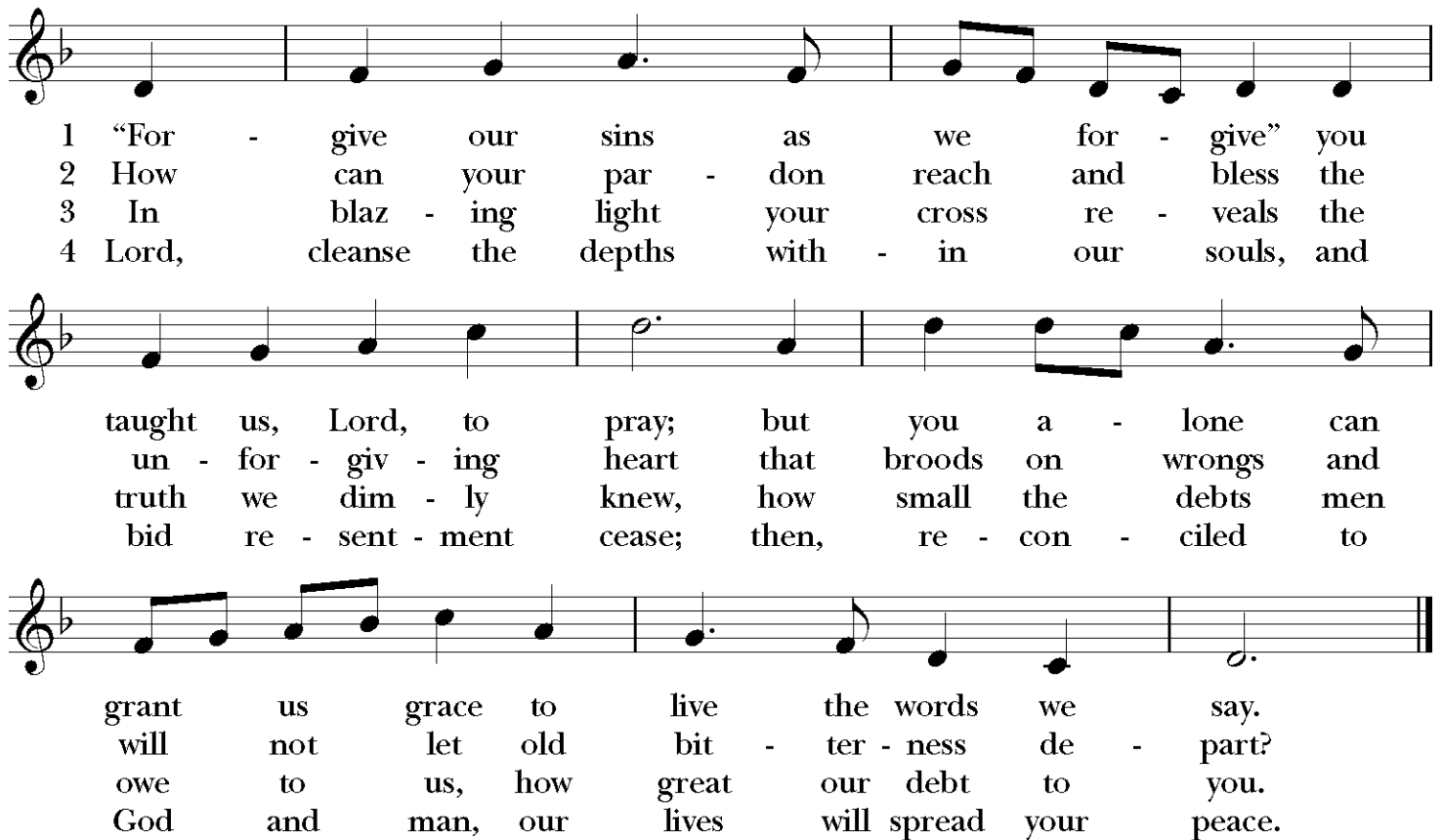
Ps. 96:8b-9a

Bring offerings, and come into his courts:
O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.

*All wishing to receive Communion, or a blessing, should now follow the Choir to the altar rail.
All baptized Christians are welcome to receive the Sacrament. Gluten-free Hosts are available upon request.*

Hymn 674 "Forgive our sins as we forgive"

Detroit



1 "For - give our sins as we for - give" you
 2 How can your par - don reach and bless the
 3 In blaz - ing light your cross re - veals the
 4 Lord, cleanse the depths with - in our souls, and

taught us, Lord, to pray; but you a - lone can
 un - for - giv - ing heart that broods on wrongs and
 truth we dim - ly knew, how small the debts men
 bid re - sent - ment cease; then, re - con - ciled to

grant us grace to live the words we say.
 will not let old bit - ter - ness de - part?
 owe to us, how great our debt to you.
 God and man, our lives will spread your peace.

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(Please stand for the Postcommunion prayer.)

Prayer of Thanksgiving after Communion

Celebrant: Let us pray.

All: Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee
 for that thou dost feed us, in these Holy Mysteries,
 with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood
 of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
 and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us;
 and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical Body of thy Son,
 the blessed company of all faithful people;
 and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom.
 And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father,
 so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship,
 and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in;
 through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost,
 be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

(Please kneel for the Blessing.)

The Blessing

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, ✠ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

(Please stand for the Dismissal and Last Gospel.)

The Dismissal

Deacon: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

The Last Gospel

St. John I: I-I4

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant: The Beginning of the holy Gospel according to John.

People: **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

The same was in the beginning with God.

All things were made by Him: and without Him was not anything made that was made.

In Him was life, and the life was the light of men:

and the light shineth in the darkness, and the darkness comprehended it not.

There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. The same came for a witness, to bear witness of the light, that all men through him might believe.

He was not that light, but was sent to bear witness of that light.

That was the true light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world.

He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not.

He came unto his own, and his own received him not.

But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name: which were born,

not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.

(Here genuflect) And the Word was made flesh, *(Here rise)* and dwelt among us: and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the Only-begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Salve Regina, mater misericordiae:
 Vita, dulcedo, et spes nostra, salve.
 Ad te clamamus, exsules filii Hevae.
 Ad te suspiramus, gementes et flentes
 in hac lacrimarum valle.
 Eia ergo, advocata nostra, illos tuos
 misericordes oculos ad nos converte.
 Et Jesum, benedictum fructum ventris
 tui, nobis post hoc exilium ostende.
 O clemens, O pia, O dulcis Virgo Maria.

*Hail, O Queen, Mother of Mercy:
 our life, sweetness, and hope, hail.
 To you we cry, exiled children of Eve.
 To you we sigh, groaning and weeping
 in this vale of tears.
 Now, therefore, our Advocate,
 turn those your merciful eyes upon us.
 And after this our exile, show to us Jesus, the
 blessed fruit of your womb. O gentle, O faithful,
 O sweet Virgin Mary.*

The Angelus

Celebrant: The Angel of the LORD announced unto Mary.

People: **And she conceived by the Holy Ghost.**

Celebrant: Hail Mary, full of grace, the LORD is with thee.

Blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

People: **Holy Mary, Mother of God,**

pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death.

Celebrant: Behold the handmaid of the LORD.

People: **Be it unto me according to thy word.**

Celebrant: Hail Mary, full of grace...

Celebrant: (*Here genuflect*) And the Word was made flesh.

People: (*Here rise*) **And dwelt among us.**

Celebrant: Hail Mary, full of grace...

Celebrant: Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God.

People: **That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

We beseech thee, O LORD, pour thy grace into our hearts, that, as we have known the Incarnation of thy Son Jesus Christ by the message of an angel, so by his ✕ Passion we may be brought unto the glory of his resurrection, through the same Christ our LORD. **Amen.**

Hymn 347 "Go forth for God"

Litton



1 Go forth for God; go_____ to the world in peace;
 2 Go forth for God; go_____ to the world in love;
 3 Go forth for God; go_____ to the world in strength;
 4 Go forth for God; go_____ to the world in joy,



be of good cour - age, armed with heaven - ly grace,
 strength - en the faint, give cour - age to the weak;
 hold fast the good, be ur - gent for the right;
 to serve God's peo - ple ev - ery day and hour,



in God's good Spi - rit dai - ly to in - crease,
 help the af - flict - ed; rich - ly from a - bove
 ren - der to no one e - vil; Christ at length
 and ser - ving Christ, our ev - ery gift em - ploy,



till in his king - dom we_____ be - hold his face.
 his love sup - plies the grace_____ and power we seek.
 shall o - ver - come all dark - ness with his light.
 re - joic - ing in the Ho - ly Spi - rit's power.

Voluntary: Fantasia on *Splendor paternae gloriae*

G. Bachlund

(Please remain seated during the Voluntary.)

Upcoming Events

Sunday, September 20, 4:00pm: Harvest Service at St. Monica's (3575 Main St., Hartford)
St. Monica's Episcopal Church invites us to their 2026 Harvest Service, "Reaping in Joy", for an afternoon filled with thanksgiving, music, and fellowship. Guest speaker Kenneasha Sloley, Founder & CEO of NEXcellence, is a dynamic speaker and visionary leader sharing a message of faith, hope, and joyful perseverance.

Every week:

Sunday Eucharist at 8:00am and 10:30am

Low Mass at 11:00am on Wednesdays

Food Pantry Distribution at 9:00am on Thursdays (closed on 1st Thursdays)

Office Hours:

Tuesday, 10:00am – 3:00pm

Wednesday, 1:00pm – 5:00pm

Friday, 10:00am – 3:00pm

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