

**Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost
St. Andrew's Church
August 9, 2026**

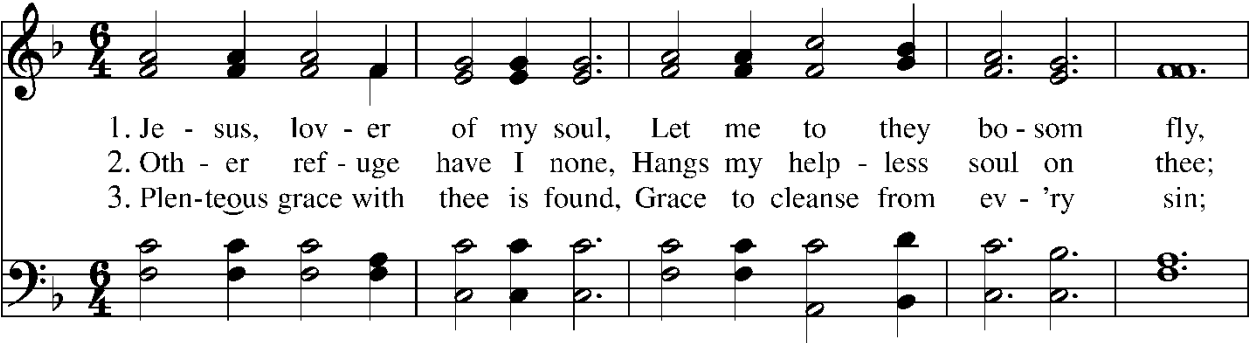


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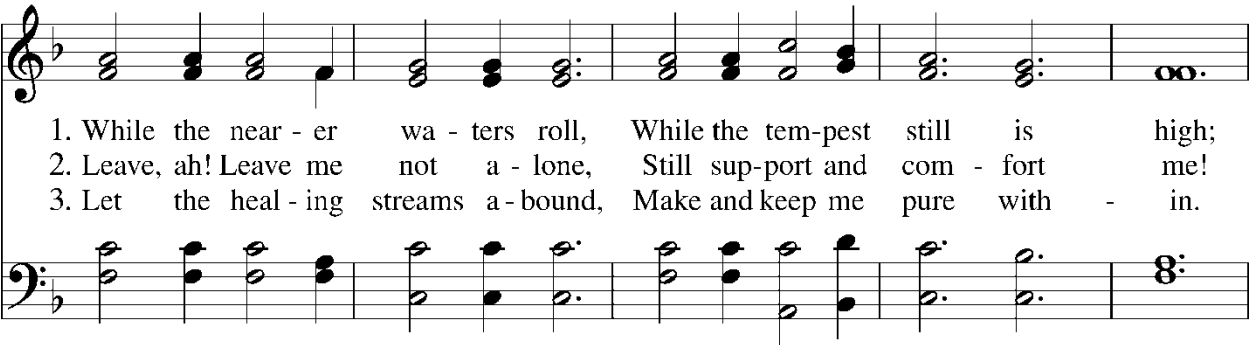
All stand.

Opening Hymn LEVAS #79

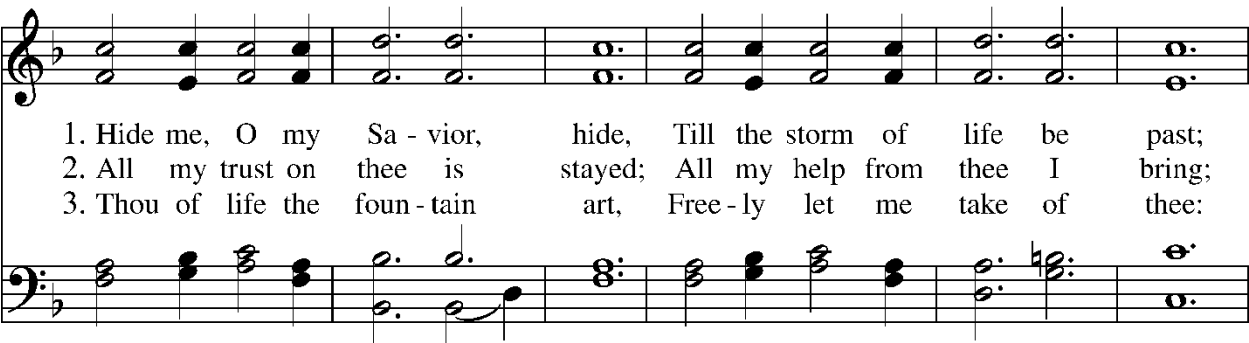
Jesus, lover of my soul



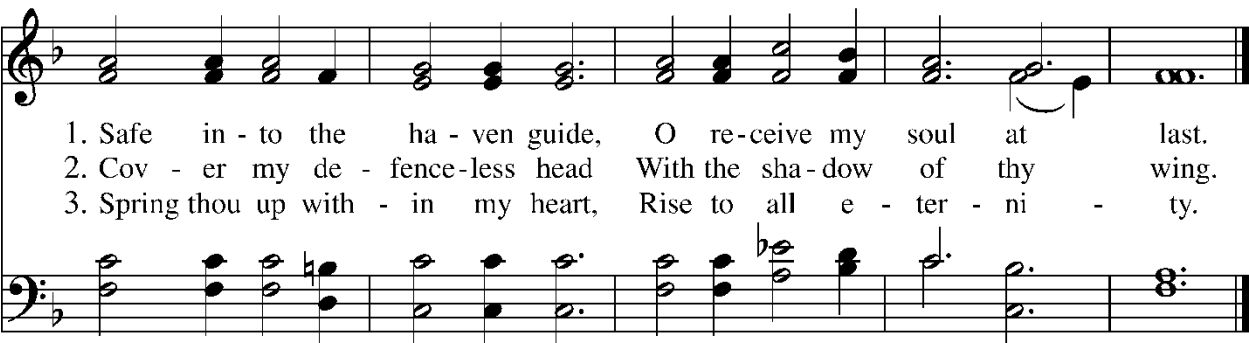
1. Je - sus, lov - er of my soul, Let me to they bo - som fly,
2. Oth - er ref - uge have I none, Hangs my help - less soul on thee;
3. Plen-teous grace with thee is found, Grace to cleanse from ev - 'ry sin;



1. While the near - er wa - ters roll, While the tem-pest still is high;
2. Leave, ah! Leave me not a - lone, Still sup-port and com - fort me!
3. Let the heal - ing streams a - bound, Make and keep me pure with - in.



1. Hide me, O my Sa - vior, hide, Till the storm of life be past;
2. All my trust on thee is stayed; All my help from thee I bring;
3. Thou of life the foun - tain art, Free - ly let me take of thee;



1. Safe in - to the ha - ven guide, O re-ceive my soul at last.
2. Cov - er my de - fence-less head With the sha-dow of thy wing.
3. Spring thou up with - in my heart, Rise to all e - ter - ni - ty.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788). Music: Charles Wesley and Simeon B. Marsh (1798-1875).

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Creator, Redeemer, and Giver of Life.

All: And blessed be God's reign, now and forever. Amen.

Song of Praise Hymnal #370, verse 6

*6. Christ be with me, Christ with - in me, Christ be - hind me,
Christ be - neath me, Christ a - bove me, Christ in qui - et,
Christ be - fore me, Christ be - side me, Christ to
Christ in dan - ger, Christ in hearts of all that
win me, Christ to com - fort and re - store me,
love me, Christ in mouth of friend and stran - ger.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

All: Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Please be seated.

LEM

A Reading from the Book of Genesis

Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28

Jacob settled in the land where his father had lived as an alien, the land of Canaan. This is the story of the family of Jacob.

Joseph, being seventeen years old, was shepherding the flock with his brothers; he was a helper to the sons of Bilhah and Zilpah, his father's wives; and Joseph brought a bad report of them to their father. Now Israel loved Joseph more than any other of his children, because he was the son of his old age; and he had made him a long robe with sleeves. But when his brothers saw that their father loved him more than all his brothers, they hated him, and could not speak peaceably to him.

Now his brothers went to pasture their father's flock near Shechem. And Israel said to Joseph, "Are not your brothers pasturing the flock at Shechem? Come, I will send you to them." He answered, "Here I am." So he said to him, "Go now, see if it is well with your brothers and with the flock; and bring word back to me." So he sent him from the valley of Hebron.

He came to Shechem, and a man found him wandering in the fields; the man asked him, "What are you seeking?" "I am seeking my brothers," he said; "tell me, please, where they are pasturing the flock." The man said, "They have gone away, for I heard them say, 'Let us go to Dothan.'" So Joseph went after his brothers, and found them at Dothan. They saw him from a distance, and before he came near to them, they conspired to kill him. They said to one another, "Here comes this dreamer. Come now, let us kill him and throw him into one of the pits; then we shall say that a wild animal has devoured him, and we shall see what will become of his dreams." But when Reuben heard it, he delivered him out of their hands, saying, "Let us not take his life." Reuben said to them, "Shed no blood; throw him into this pit here in the wilderness, but lay no hand on him" —that he might rescue him out of their hand and restore him to his father. So when Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped him of his robe, the long robe with sleeves that he wore; and they took him and threw him into a pit. The pit was empty; there was no water in it.

Then they sat down to eat; and looking up they saw a caravan of Ishmaelites coming from Gilead, with their camels carrying gum, balm, and resin, on their way to carry it down to Egypt. Then Judah said to his brothers, "What profit is it if we kill our brother and conceal his blood? Come, let us sell him to the Ishmaelites, and not lay our hands on him, for he is our brother, our own flesh." And his brothers agreed. When some Midianite traders passed by, they drew Joseph up, lifting him out of the pit, and sold him to the Ishmaelites for twenty pieces of silver. And they took Joseph to Egypt.

LEM: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

LECTOR

Psalm of the day

read responsively, by half verse.

Psalm 105: 1-6, 16-22, 45b

- 1 Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name; *
make known his deeds among the peoples.
 - 2 Sing to him, sing praises to him, *
and speak of all his marvelous works.
 - 3 Glory in his holy Name; *
let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.
 - 4 Search for the Lord and his strength; *
continually seek his face.
 - 5 Remember the marvels he has done, *
his wonders and the judgments of his mouth,
 - 6 O offspring of Abraham his servant, *
O children of Jacob his chosen.
 - 16 Then he called for a famine in the land *
and destroyed the supply of bread.
 - 17 He sent a man before them, *
Joseph, who was sold as a slave.
 - 18 They bruised his feet in fetters; *
his neck they put in an iron collar.
 - 19 Until his prediction came to pass, *
the word of the Lord tested him.
 - 20 The king sent and released him; *
the ruler of the peoples set him free.
 - 21 He set him as a master over his household,
as a ruler over all his possessions,
 - 22 To instruct his princes according to his will
and to teach his elders wisdom.
- 45 Hallelujah!**

LECTOR

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans

Romans 10:5-15

Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that “the person who does these things will live by them.” But the righteousness that comes from faith says, “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’” (that is, to bring Christ down) “or ‘Who will descend into the abyss?’” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say?

“The word is near you,
on your lips and in your heart”

(that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, “No one who believes in him will be put to shame.” For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!”

Lector: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

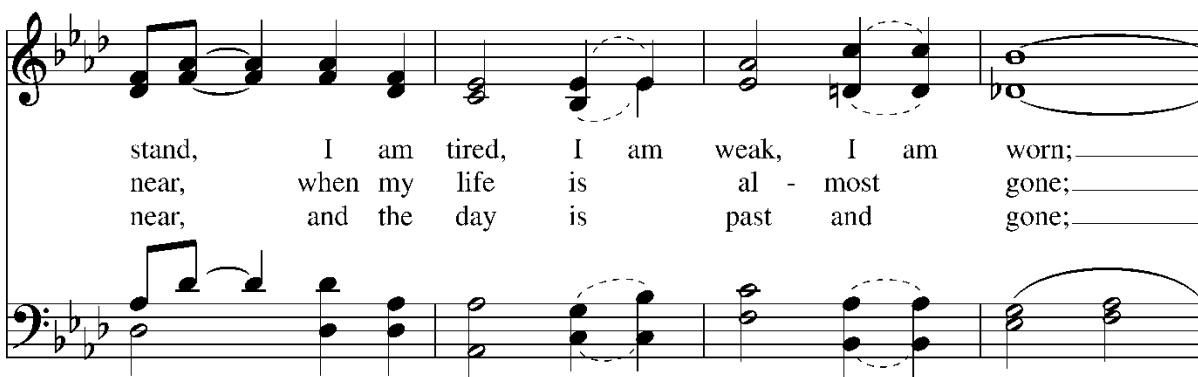
All: **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn WLP #800

Precious Lord, take my hand



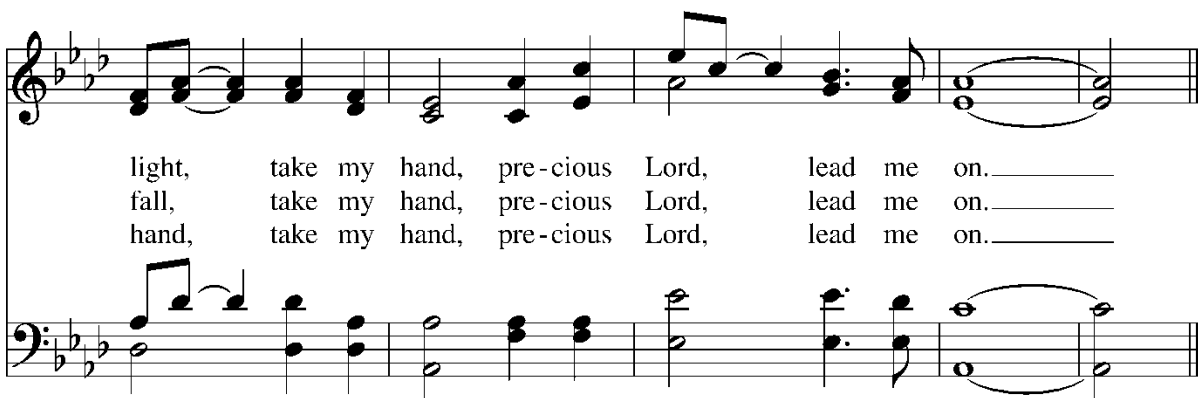
1. Pre - cious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, let me
2. When my way grows drear, pre - cious Lord, lin - ger
3. When the dark - ness ap - pears and the night draws



stand, I am tired, I am weak, I am worn;
near, when my life is al - most gone;
near, and the day is past and gone;



— through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the
— hear my cry, hear my call, hold my hand, lest I
— at the riv - er I stand, guide my feet, hold my



light, take my hand, pre - cious Lord, lead me on.
fall, take my hand, pre - cious Lord, lead me on.
hand, take my hand, pre - cious Lord, lead me on.

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The Gospel

Matthew 14:22-33

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

All: **Glory to you, O Christ.**

Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid."

Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

Celebrant: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

The Sermon

An Affirmation of Faith

Please stand and face the cross.

**We believe in God above us,
Creator of all things, sustainer of all life.**

**We believe in Christ beside us,
Companion and friend, redeemer of all the broken pieces of our universe.**

**We believe in Spirit deep within us,
Advocate and guide, who lives with us eternally.**

**We believe in God's resurrection created world,
Where all things depend on each other, and all creation fits together in vibrant harmonies.**

**We believe in God above, beside, within,
God yesterday, today and forever, the three in one, the one in three,**

We believe in God.

LEM

The Prayers of the People

Remain standing. The people are encouraged to add their own petitions.

LEM: In confidence we pray, saying: Blessed Trinity, One God; how exalted is your Name in all the world.

LEM: Come Holy Spirit;
All: **and renew the face of the earth.**

LEM: Your majesty is praised from all creation: Let the leaders of our nation and all in authority, and all who work for justice throughout the world live in the grace of Jesus, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit.

LEM: Come Holy Spirit;
All: **and renew the face of the earth.**

LEM: The whole creation is yours, O God – earth and sky and waters, trees and plants, birds and animals of all kinds: Bless everything that lives and protect your people everywhere, that all may enjoy the fruits of the earth, and be free from hunger, oppression and injustice.

LEM: Come Holy Spirit;
All: **and renew the face of the earth.**

LEM: I ask your prayers for the Lenape, Munsee, and Esopus peoples, original settlers of these lands

LEM: Come Holy Spirit;
All: **and renew the face of the earth.**

LEM: I ask your prayers for those who are poor, sick, hungry, oppressed, and in prison. Pray for members of our community *Charles, Edna, Sheila, DuSean, Lisa, Mary, Gabriel, Joan, Gwenn, Nancy, Patricia, Ola, Joe, Janet, Charles, Martha, Elizabeth, James, Linda, Charlene, Christine, Jen, Jacob, Gisela, Miles, Rodger, Jennifer, Ann, Laura, all facing exclusion or harm*, and those we now name. . . . Pray for those in any need or trouble.

LEM: Come Holy Spirit;
All: **and renew the face of the earth.**

LEM: I ask your prayers for those celebrating birthdays, anniversaries, or accomplishments, *especially Kappa and Jane on their birthdays*; and we pray for those we now name. *[Please add your own names, aloud]*.

LEM: Come Holy Spirit;
All: **and renew the face of the earth.**

LEM: I ask your prayers for the departed, especially those we now name... [pause].
Pray for those who have died.

LEM: Come Holy Spirit;
All: **and renew the face of the earth.**

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

Silence may be kept.

All: **Have mercy upon us, most merciful God; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Celebrant: 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

Remain standing.

Celebrant: The peace of Christ be always with you.
All: **And also with you.**

The Holy Communion

The Offertory Sentence

Celebrant: Come to the table made ready for those who love God and those who want to love God more.
Come you who have much faith and you who have little;
you who have been here often and you who have not been for a long time;
You who have tried to follow and you who have failed.
Come, it is Christ who invites you to be known and fed here.

Offertory Hymn #435

At the Name of Jesus



1 At the Name of Je - sus ev - ery knee shall bow,
2 Hum - bled for a sca - son, to re - ceive a Name
3 bore it up tri - um - phant, with its hu - man light,
4 Name him, Chris - tians, name him, with love strong as death,
* 5 In your hearts en - throne him; there let him sub - due
* 6 Chris - tians, this Lord Je - sus shall re - turn a - gain,



1 ev - ery tongue con - fess him King of glo - ry now;
2 from the lips of sin - ners, un - to whom he came,
3 through all ranks of crea - tures, to the cen - tral height,
4 name with awe and won - der and with bat - ed breath;
5 all that is not ho - ly, all that is not true;
6 with his Fa - ther's glo - ry o'er the earth to reign;



1 'tis the Fa - ther's plea - sure we should call him Lord
2 faith - ful - ly he bore it spot - less to the last,
3 to the throne of God - head, to the Fa - ther's breast;
4 he is God the Sa - vior, he is Christ the Lord,
5 crown him as your Cap - tain in temp - ta - tion's hour;
6 for all wreaths of em - pire meet up - on his brow,



1 who from the be - gin - ning was the might - y Word.
2 brought it back vic - to - rious, when from death he passed;
3 filled it with the glo - ry of that per - fect rest.
4 ev - er to be wor - shiped, trust - ed, and a - dored.
5 let his will en - fold you in its light and power.
6 and our hearts con - fess him King of glo - ry now.

Words: Caroline Maria Noel (1817-1877), alt. Music: *King's Weston*, Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958). By permission of Oxford University Press.

All are welcome to receive communion. Gluten-free wafers are available and if you would like to receive a blessing, you may come to the altar and cross your hands over your chest.

Please stand as you are able.

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant: The Spirit of God be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

All: **We lift them to the Holy One.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to God.

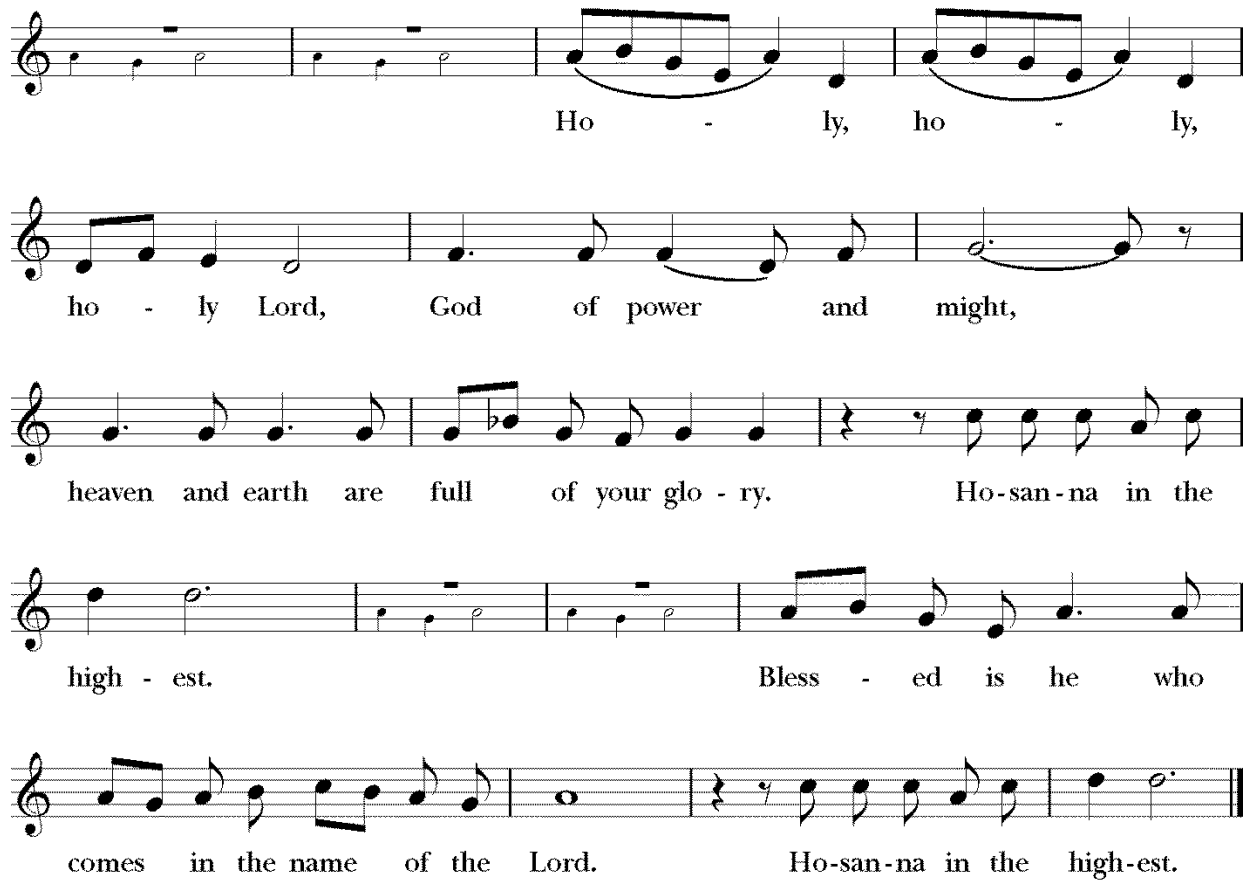
All: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant Thanks and praise, glory and honor are rightly yours, God of life. In the beginning, your Spirit moved across the face of the waters, and when we were formed from the red dust of the earth, you breathed into us the breath of life. Even when we resisted and grieved you, your Spirit came upon diverse people, empowering them to speak your word of life.

All: **Your steadfast love endures forever and ever.**

Celebrant And so we praise you with the faithful of every time and place, gathered in word and spirit with choirs of angels and the whole creation in the eternal hymn

Sanctus S128



Ho - ly, ho - ly,
ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. 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.

Celebrant: In the fullness of time, you gave us your Son Jesus Christ, to be for us the way, the truth, and the life. At his baptism in the Jordan your Spirit came upon him declaring him to be your beloved Son.

All: **With your Spirit within him he resisted temptation; he proclaimed justice to all peoples, good news to the poor, release to the captives, sight for the blind, and liberty for those who are oppressed.**

Celebrant: In that never-to-be-forgotten night, the night of his betrayal, as he sat at the table with his friends, he took bread, gave you thanks, broke it, gave it to his disciples, and said:

All: **“Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you.”**

Celebrant: When supper was over, he took the cup, gave you thanks, gave it to his disciples, and said:

All: **“Drink from this all of you; this is my blood, poured out for you and for all, for the forgiveness of sins. Do this in remembrance of me.”**

Celebrant: On that never-to-be-forgotten day when you raised him from the dead, he was recognized by his disciples in the breaking of the bread, and in the power of your Holy Spirit your people have continued in the breaking of the bread and in prayer. Remembering his death and resurrection, his ascension and his promise to be with us always, we pray that you will send the power of your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts, blessing this sharing of bread and wine, Christ’s life in us.

All: **Send us as your witnesses into all the world, empowered by your Spirit and following Jesus Christ our Lord.**

Celebrant: All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, All honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and forever.

All: **Amen.**

Celebrant: As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray in the language that is closest to your heart,

Lord’s Prayer

**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.**

Translated from Aramaic

**“Our Father who is everywhere
Your name is sacred.
Your kingdom is come.
Your will is throughout the earth
Even as it is throughout the universe
You give us our needful bread from day
to day,
And you forgive us our offenses
Even as we forgive our offenders.
And you let us not enter into
materialism.
But you separate us from error.
Because yours are the kingdom, the
power and the song and praise.
From all ages, throughout all ages.
Amen.”**

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant: We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

All: **We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.**

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the people of God.

All: **May we who share these gifts be found in Christ and Christ in us.**

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant: Let us pray.

All: **God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

The Blessing

Please stand to receive God's blessing.

Celebrant: The Wisdom of God, the Love of God, and the Grace of God strengthen you to be Christ's hands and heart in this world, in the name of the Holy Trinity. **Amen.**

Announcements

Closing Hymn LEVAS #200

When the storms

1. When the storms of life are rag - ing,
 2. In the midst of trib - u - la - tions,
 3. In the midst of faults and fail - ures, Stand by
 4. In the midst of per - se - cu - tion,
 5. When I'm grow - ing old and fee - ble,

1. When the storms of life are rag - ing,
 2. In the midst of trib - u - la - tions,
 3. me, stand by me; In the midst of faults and fail - ures,
 4. In the midst of per - se - cu - tion,
 5. When I'm grow - ing old and fee - ble,

1. When the world is toss - ing me
 2. When the hosts of hell as - sail,
 3. Stand by me, stand by me; When I do the best I can,
 4. When my foes in bat - tle ar - ray
 5. When my life be - comes a bur - den,



1. Like a ship up - on the sea; Thou who
 2. And my strength be - gins to fail, Thou who
 3. And my friends mis - un - der - stand, Thou who
 4. Un - der - take to stop my way, Thou who
 5. And I'm near - ing chill - y Jor - dan, O thou

1. rul - est wind and wa - ter,
 2. nev - er lost a bat - tle,
 3. know - est all a - bout me, Stand by me, stand by me.
 4. saved Paul and Si - las,
 5. "Lil - y of the Val - ley,"

Words: Charles A. Tindley (1851-1933). Music: Charles A. Tindley; harm. F. A. Clark.

The Dismissal

Celebrant: Worship has ended, the work has begun: Let us go forth in the power of the Holy Spirit!

All: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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LAY MINISTER SCHEDULE FOR TODAY

Celebrant:	Rev. Allison Moore
LEM:	Valerie McAllister
Acolyte:	Abby Brown
Lector:	Julie Mazur
Usher:	Martin Bend
Altar Guild:	Susan Piowaty
Music:	Janet Frommer
Live Stream Tech:	Charlie Burgner

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Dismissal, which is attributed to Deacon Francie)