



THE HOLY EUCHARIST

THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

March 19, 2023 • 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**.*

GREETING

THE ENTRANCE RITE

THE LENT PROSE *Attende Domine*

The Cantor sings the Refrain, then all repeat.

***Hear us, O Lord, have mercy upon us:
for we have sinned against thee.***

To thee, Redeemer, on thy throne of glory:
lift we our weeping eyes in holy pleadings:
listen, O Jesu, to our supplications. ***Hear us, O Lord . . .***

O thou chief Cornerstone, Right Hand of the Father:
Way of Salvation, Gate of Life Celestial:
cleanse thou of our sinful souls
from all defilement. ***Hear us, O Lord . . .***

God, we implore thee, in thy glory seated :
bow down and hearken to thy weeping children :
pity and pardon all our grievous trespasses. ***Hear us, O Lord . . .***

Sins oft committed now we lay before thee :
with true contrition, now no more we veil them :
grant us, Redeemer, loving absolution. ***Hear us, O Lord . . .***

Innocent, captive, taken unresisting :
falsely accused, and for us sinners sentenced,
save us, we pray thee, Jesu our Redeemer. ***Hear us, O Lord . . .***

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the Love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.
And also with you.

Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.
His mercy endures for ever.

THE WORD OF GOD

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. *1 John 1:8,9*

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.

Silence is kept

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.**

THE KYRIE *New Plainsong*

David Hurd (b. 1950)

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

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty God,
through the waters of baptism
your Son has made us children of light.
May we ever walk in his light
and show forth your glory in the world;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST READING

I Samuel 16:1-13

A reading from the First Book of Samuel

The Lord said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons." Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me." And the Lord said, "Take a heifer with you, and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the Lord.' Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you." Samuel did what the Lord commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, "Do you come peaceably?" He said, "Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the Lord; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice." And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice. When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, "Surely the Lord's anointed is now before the Lord." But the Lord said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the Lord does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart." Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one." Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one." Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, "The Lord has not chosen any of these." Samuel said to Jesse, "Are all your sons here?" And he said, "There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep." And Samuel said to Jesse, "Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here." He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The Lord said, "Rise and anoint him; for this is the one." Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

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

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 23 *Dominus regit me*



The Lord is my shep - herd; I shall not be in want.

The Choir sings the Refrain; then all repeat.

- 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.

A reading from the letter to the Ephesians

For once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Live as children of light - for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true. Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly; but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says, "Sleeper, awake! Rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you."

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

Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

HYMN AT THE SEQUENCE · 85

ST. AGNES

1 Shep-herd of souls, re - fresh and bless your cho - sen pil - grim flock
 2 We would not live by bread a - lone, but by your word of grace,
 3 Be known to us in break - ing bread, but do not then de - part;
 4 Lord, sup with us in love di - vine; your bod - y and your blood,

with man - na in the wil - der - ness, with wa - ter from the rock.
 in strength of which we trav - el on to our a - bid - ing place.
 Sav - iour, a - bide with us, and spread your ta - ble in our heart.
 that liv - ing bread, that heaven - ly wine, be our im - mor - tal food.

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The Cantor sings the Refrain; then all repeat.

Unison

Praise to you, O Lord, King of e - ter - nal glo - ry.

Cantor I am the light of the world, says the Lord; those who follow me will have the light of life. *Refrain*

THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 9:1-41

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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

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

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

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

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

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

THE SERMON

The Rev. James Hwang

Please stand as you are able.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, **the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

As we gather in this season of Lent, with confidence and trust let us pray to the Holy One, our guide, absolver and creator.

For the one holy catholic and apostolic Church throughout the world, we give you thanks and invite your Holy Spirit. In the Anglican Communion, we pray for Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; for the Anglican Church of Southern Africa; and for our companion diocese, the Diocese of Northern Philippines and our partner parishes of St. Luke, Butbut Proper and St. James, Luccong. In the Anglican Church of Canada we remember Linda our Primate, Chris, the National Indigenous Archbishop, and John our Bishop. In the Diocese of New Westminster, we pray for the Parishes of St. Christopher, West Vancouver; and St. Cuthbert, Delta; and for the Archdeaconry of Granville.

Lord of compassion,
in your mercy hear us.

For those preparing for baptism, confirmation and reaffirmation; for their teachers and sponsors; and for those who are fasting and walking a dedicated Lenten pilgrimage, let us pray to the Holy One.

Lord of compassion,
in your mercy hear us.

For peace in the world, that war may cease and the hungry be fed; that a spirit of respect and reconciliation may grow among nations and peoples, let us pray to the Holy One.

Lord of compassion,
in your mercy hear us.

For governments, leaders, and all in authority; and for those who strive for justice and compassion. We pray for all First Nations leaders in our province and country, as we aim to grow in truth and reconciliation, let us pray to the Holy One.

Lord of compassion,
in your mercy hear us.

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who are suffering (especially . . .); for refugees, especially the Kandeel family; for prisoners; and for all in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, let us pray to the Holy One.

Lord of compassion,
in your mercy hear us.

For those whom we have injured or offended,
let us pray to the Holy One.

Lord of compassion,
in your mercy hear us.

For those who have gone before us under the sign of faith, and all the departed (especially . . .); let us pray to the Holy One.

Lord of compassion,
in your mercy hear us.

The Celebrant continues

○ Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, ○ lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **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 · 352

AMAZING GRACE

Chords: G, Bm⁷, C, G, D/F#

1 A - maz - ing grace! How sweet the sound that
 2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and
 3 The Lord has prom - ised good to me, his
 4 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares I
 5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright

Chords: Em, Bm, Am, D, G, Em, G/B

saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but
 grace my fears re - lieved; how pre - cious did that
 word my hope se - cures; he will my shield and
 have al - read - y come; 'tis grace that brought me
 shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to

Chords: C, G, D/F#, Em, Am, G/D, D⁷, G

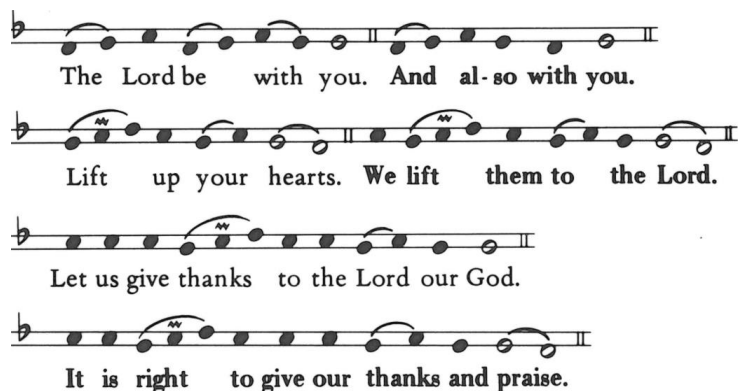
now am found: was blind, but now I see.
 grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!
 por - tion be as long as life en - dures.
 safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
 sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

God of light, your Word brings to us a new vision of your glory.
Accept our offering of praise and thanksgiving, through 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.

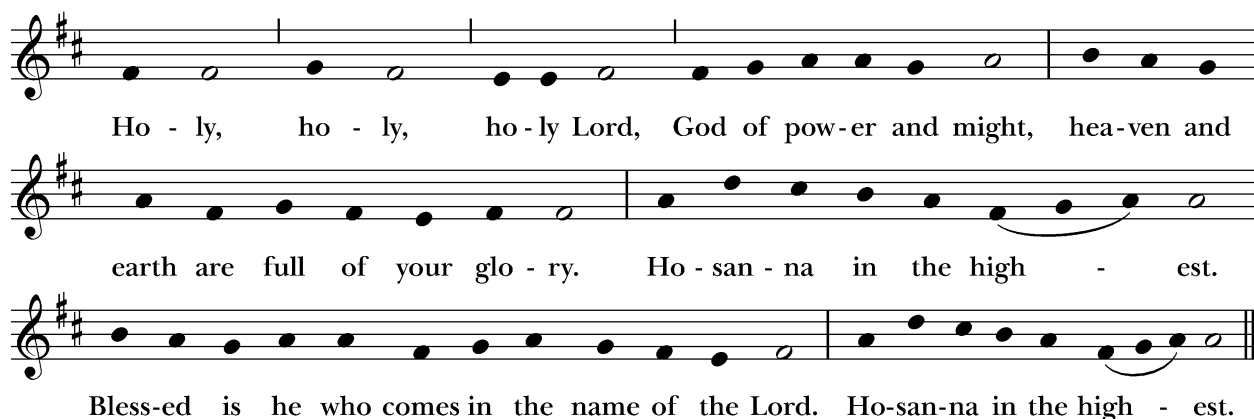
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right that we should praise you, gracious God, for you created all things. You formed us in your own image: you created us. When we turned away from you in sin, you did not cease to care for us, but opened a path of salvation for all people. You made a covenant with Israel, and through your servants Abraham and Sarah gave the promise of a blessing to all nations. Through Moses you led your people from bondage into freedom; through the prophets you renewed your promise of salvation. Therefore, with them, and with all your saints who have served you in every age, we give thanks and raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

THE SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS *New Plainsong*

David Hurd



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, hea - ven 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.

The Celebrant continues

Holy God, source of life and goodness, all creation rightly gives you praise. In the fullness of time, you sent your Son Jesus Christ, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He healed the sick and ate and drank with outcasts and sinners; he opened the eyes of the blind and proclaimed the good news of your kingdom to the poor and to those in need. In all things he fulfilled your gracious will.

On the night he freely gave himself to death, 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."

Gracious God, his perfect sacrifice destroys the power of sin and death; by raising him to life you give us life for evermore.

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Recalling his death, proclaiming his resurrection, and looking for his coming again in glory, we offer you, Father, this bread and this cup. Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts, that all who eat and drink at this table may be one body and one holy people, a living sacrifice in Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is 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

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread.

We break this bread,
Communion in Christ's body once broken.

Let your Church be the wheat which bears its fruit in dying.

**If we have died with him, we shall live with him; if we hold
firm, we shall reign with him.**

THE FRACTION ANTHEM *New Plainsong*

David Hurd

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,
you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

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

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.

AT THE COMMUNION: ANTHEM

The Lord is My Shepherd

Howard Goodall (b. 1979)

The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want; He maketh me to lie down in green pastures, He leadeth me beside the still waters. Yea though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil. For You are with me, You will comfort me. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will't dwell in the house of thy Lord forever.

Please stand as you are able.

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

All your works praise you, O Lord.

And your faithful servants bless you.

Gracious God, **we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. May we, who share his body, live his risen life; we, who drink his cup, bring life to others; we, whom the Spirit lights, give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so that we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Please be seated.

THE NOTICES

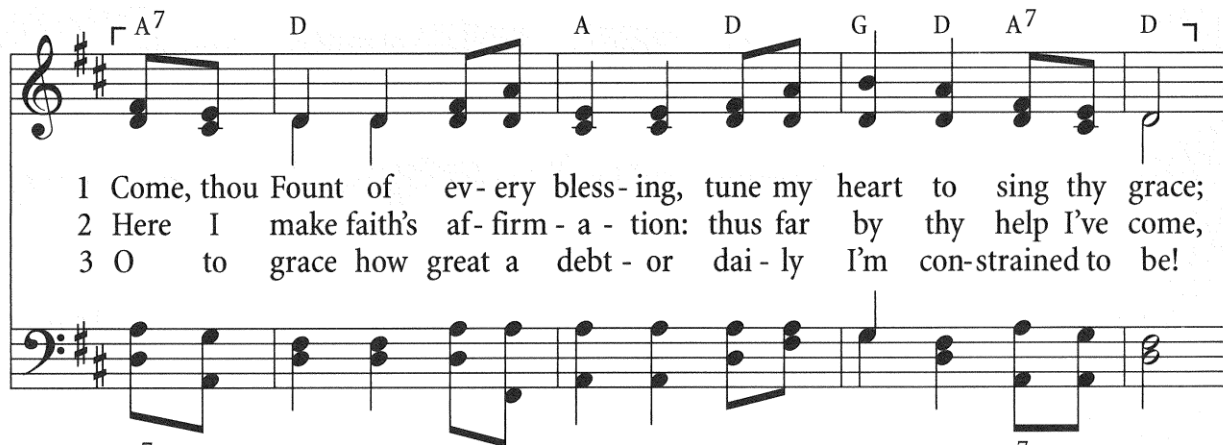
THE SOLEMN PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

Bow down before the Lord.

Look down in mercy, Lord, on your people who kneel before you; and grant that those whom you have nourished by your Word and Sacraments may bring forth fruit worthy of repentance; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

HYMN AT THE CLOSING · 354

NETTLETON



1 Come, thou Fount of ev-ery bless-ing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;
2 Here I make faith's af-firm-a-tion: thus far by thy help I've come,
3 O to grace how great a debt-or dai-ly I'm con-strained to be!

streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.
and I hope, by thy com - pas - sion, safe - ly to ar - rive at home.
Let thy good - ness, like a fet - ter, bind my wan - dering heart to thee.

Teach me some me - lo - dious mea - sure, sung by flam - ing tongues a - bove;
Je - sus sought me when a stran - ger, wan - dering from the fold of God;
Prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;

O the vast, the bound - less trea - sure of my God's un - chang - ing love.
he, to res - cue me from dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.
take my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts a - bove.

THE DISMISSAL

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

Please remain standing as the procession leaves the church. We hope you will stay and join us for coffee and our Christian formation offering after the service.

ST. JOHN'S, SHAUGHNESSY STAFF AND LEADERSHIP

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