



THE HOLY EUCHARIST

THE NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 30, 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**.*

PRELUDE *Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring*

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

GREETING

THE ENTRANCE RITE

HYMN

PUER NOBIS

1 O love, how deep, how broad, how high! It fills the
2 God sent no an - gel to our race, of high - er
3 For us he was bap - tized, and bore his ho - ly
4 For us he prayed, for us he taught, for us his

heart with ec - sta - sy, that God, the Son of
or of low - er place, but wore the robe of
fast, and hun - gered sore; for us temp - ta - tions
dai - ly works he wrought; by words and signs, and

God, should take our mor - tal form for mor - tals' sake.
hu - man frame for us, and to this lost world came.
sharp he knew; for us the tempt - er o - ver - threw.
ac - tions, thus still seek - ing not him - self but us.

5 For us by wickedness betrayed,
scourged, mocked, in purple robe arrayed,
he bore the shameful cross and death;
for us at length gave up his breath.

6 For us he rose from death again,
for us he went on high to reign,
for us he sent his Spirit here
to guide, to strengthen, and to cheer.

7 To God whose boundless love has won
salvation for us through the Son,
to God the Father, glory be
both now and through eternity.

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.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God,
**to you all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from you no secrets are hidden.**
**Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

THE GLORIA

PSALM 42

1 Glo - ry, in the high - est glo - ry, peace to all, in all their days.
 2 Je - sus Christ, the world's Re - deem - er, Lamb of God, for sin - ners given,

Wor - ship, thanks, and praise un - ceas - ing to the Source of all we raise:
 Word e - ter - nal, born of Ma - ry, Word made flesh, the face of heaven:

reign - ing in the sap - phire height, hid - den from our mor - tal sight,
 ho - ly one, to you we pray, hear us in the realms of day,

now re - ceive our a - dor - a - tion, as we make our sup - pli - ca - tion.
 with the Spir - it there u - nit - ed, and the God - head high ex - alt - ed.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy, increase and multiply upon us your mercy, that with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST READING

Genesis 29:15-28

A reading from the Book of Genesis

Laban said to Jacob, "Because you are my kinsman, should you therefore serve me for nothing? Tell me, what shall your wages be?" Now Laban had two daughters; the name of the elder was Leah, and the name of the younger was Rachel. Leah's eyes were lovely, and Rachel was graceful and beautiful. Jacob loved Rachel; so he said, "I will serve you seven years for your younger daughter Rachel." Laban said, "It is better that I give her to you than that I should give her to any other man; stay with me." So Jacob served seven years for Rachel, and they seemed to him but a few days because of the love he had for her. Then Jacob said to Laban, "Give me my wife that I may go in to her, for my time is completed." So Laban gathered together all the people of the place, and made a feast. But in the evening he took his daughter Leah and brought her to Jacob; and he went in to her. (Laban gave his maid Zilpah to his daughter Leah to be her maid.) When morning came, it was Leah! And Jacob said to Laban, "What is this you have done to me? Did I not serve with you for Rachel? Why then have you deceived me?" Laban said, "This is not done in our country - giving the younger before the firstborn. Complete the week of this one, and we will give you the other also in return for serving me another seven years." Jacob did so, and completed her week; then Laban gave him his daughter Rachel as a wife.

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

Thanks be to God.

- 1 Happy are they all who fear the Lord,
and who follow in his ways!
- 2 You shall eat the fruit of your labour;
happiness and prosperity shall be yours.
- 3 Your wife shall be like a fruitful vine within your house,
your children like olive shoots round about your table.
- 4 The man who fears the Lord
shall thus indeed be blessed.
- 5 The Lord bless you from Zion,
and may you see the prosperity of Jerusalem
all the days of your life.
- 6 May you live to see your children's children;
may peace be upon Israel.

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans

Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified.

What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written, "For your sake we are being killed all day long; we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered."

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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HYMN AT THE SEQUENCE

WERDE MUNTER

1 Je - sus, joy of our de - sir - ing, ho - ly wis - dom,
 2 Through the way where hope is guid - ing, hark, what peace - ful

love most bright; drawn by thee, our souls as - pir - ing soar to
 mu - sic rings, where the flock, in thee con - fid - ing, drink of

un - cre - a - ted light. Word of God, our flesh that
 joy from death - less springs. Theirs is beau - ty's fair - est

fash - ioned, with the fire of life im - pas - sioned, striv - ing
 plea - sure; theirs is wis - dom's ho - liest trea - sure. Thou dost

still to truth un - known, soar - ing, dy - ing round thy throne.
 ev - er lead thine own in the love of joys un - known.

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The Cantor sings the Refrain; then all repeat.

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

Cantor Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. *Refrain.*

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

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.

Jesus put before them another parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches.”

He told them another parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened.

“The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

“Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.

“Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

“Have you understood all this?” They answered, “Yes.” And he said to them, “Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.”

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

THE SERMON

The Rev. Terry Shields Dirbas

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

In the power of the Spirit who intercedes for us with sighs too deep for words, let us turn our hearts to the will of God and offer prayers for all people.

Holy One, we pray for your Church in every time and place, that the seeds of faith sown in the hearts of your faithful may bear fruit, and that your kingdom may come on earth. In the Anglican Communion, we pray for Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Linda, our Primate; Chris, the National Indigenous Archbishop; and John, our bishop. In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Iglesia Anglicana de la Region Central de America. In our own diocese, we pray for the parishes of St. Stephen the Martyr, Burnaby; St. Stephen, West Vancouver; and St. Oswald, Port Kells; and for the Archdeaconry of Fraser. We pray also for our companion diocese, the Diocese of Northern Philippines; and for our companion parishes of St. Luke, Butbut Proper and St. James, Luccong.

Lord in your mercy:

Hear our prayer.

God of righteousness, we pray for our world, divided by war, violence, exploitation, and greed. Guide our leaders and all who hold authority in the nations of the earth, that they may serve the common good with humility, compassion, and integrity. We pray especially for Justin, our prime minister; David, our premier; Ken, our mayor; and for all in positions of public trust. Grant them your wisdom, and people everywhere your peace.

Lord in your mercy:

Hear our prayer.

God, you have made us stewards of your creation. Give us a reverence for the earth and all living things, including one another. Make us faithful to our baptismal calling to respect, sustain, and renew the life of the earth. And grant that all people may share in the abundance you have given us, now and in generations to come.

Lord in your mercy:

Hear our prayer.

God of compassion, as we wait with eager longing for the revealing of the fulness of your glory, we pray for all who still struggle and suffer, that you might relieve them of their distress, and bring them healing and hope. We remember, today, those in danger; the poor, the sick, and the lonely; prisoners and refugees; and those we name now, aloud or in the silence of our hearts. (We pray especially for those on our parish prayer list . . .).

Lord in your mercy:

Hear our prayer.

God of the living and the dead, you gave your only Son for all of us, that we might have everlasting life; and through him, we receive the promise that not even death can separate us from your love. We entrust to your tender care all those we love but see no longer (especially . . .). Receive them into the arms of your mercy, and comfort those who grieve with the sure and certain hope of the resurrection.

Lord in your mercy:

Hear our prayer.

The Celebrant concludes

God of infinite wisdom, who searches the hearts of all people, hear the prayers we offer you this day and gather us into the kingdom of heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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

Most merciful God, **we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.**

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

Please stand as you are able.

THE PEACE

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

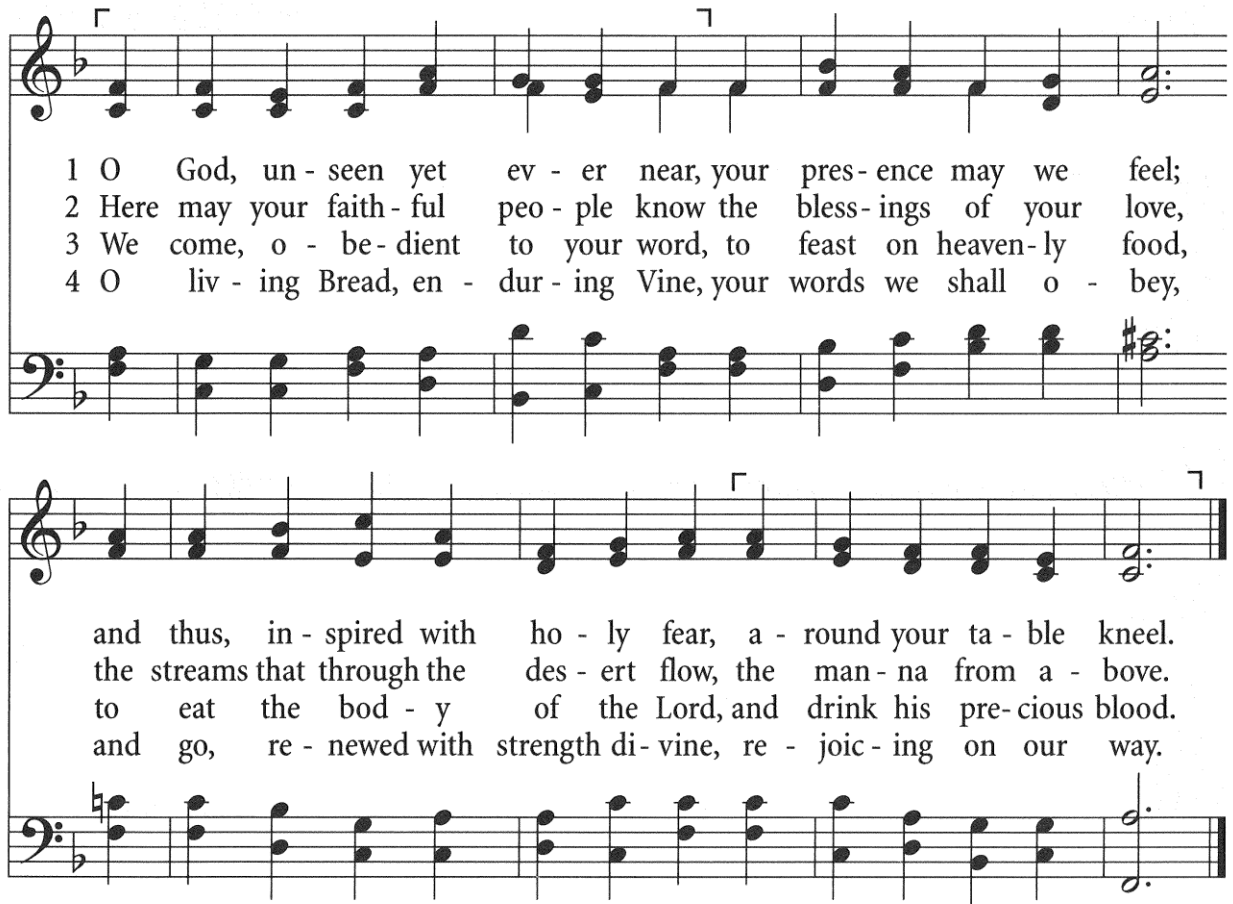
THE OFFERTORY

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

ST. FLAVIAN



1 O God, un - seen yet ev - er near, your pres - ence may we feel;
2 Here may your faith - ful peo - ple know the bless - ings of your love,
3 We come, o - be - dient to your word, to feast on heav - en - ly food,
4 O liv - ing Bread, en - dur - ing Vine, your words we shall o - bey,

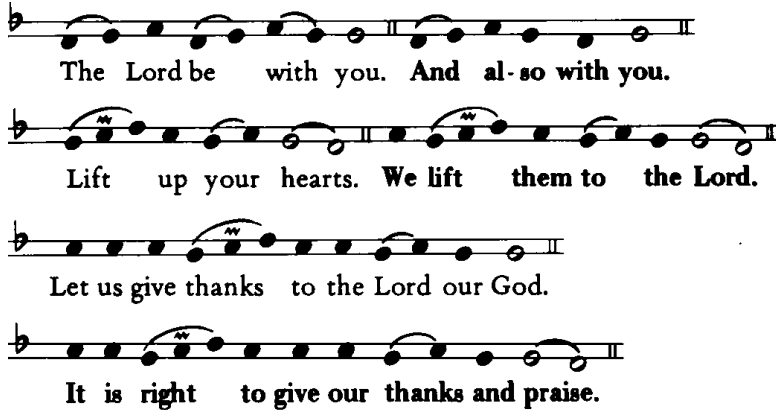
and thus, in - spired with ho - ly fear, a - round your ta - ble kneel.
the streams that through the des - ert flow, the man - na from a - bove.
to eat the bod - y of the Lord, and drink his pre - cious blood.
and go, re - newed with strength di - vine, re - joic - ing on our way.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

God of grace, accept all we offer you this day, as we look toward the glory you have promised. This we ask 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.

The image shows four lines of musical notation in a single system. Each line begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The notes are mostly quarter notes and half notes, with some eighth notes. There are repeat signs at the end of each line. The lyrics are printed below each line of music.

We give you thanks and praise, almighty God, for the gift of a world full of wonder, and for our life which comes from you. By your power you sustain the universe.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

You created us to love you with all our heart, and to love each other as ourselves, but we rebel against you by the evil that we do. In Jesus, your Son, you bring healing to our world and gather us into one great family. Therefore, with all who serve you on earth and in heaven, we praise your wonderful name, as we sing,

THE SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS *Community Mass* R. Proulx (1937-2010)



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heav - en and earth are full of your glor - y. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The Celebrant continues

We give you thanks and praise, loving Father, because in sending Jesus, your Son, to us you showed us how much you love us. He cares for the poor and the hungry. He suffers with the sick and the rejected.

Betrayed and forsaken, he did not strike back but overcame hatred with love. On the cross he defeated the power of sin and death. By raising him from the dead you show us the power of your love to bring new life to all your people.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

On the night before he gave up his life for us, Jesus, at supper with his friends, took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, saying, "Take this, all of you, and eat it: this is my body which is given for you."

After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is the cup of my blood, the blood of the new and eternal covenant, which is shed for you and for many, so that sins may be forgiven. Do this in memory of me."

Glory to you for ever and ever.

Gracious God, with this bread and wine we celebrate the death and resurrection of Jesus, and we offer ourselves to you in him. Send your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts, that we may know the presence of Jesus in the breaking of bread, and share in the life of the family of your children.

Father, you call us to be your servants; fill us with the courage and love of Jesus, that all the world may gather in joy at the table of your kingdom.

We sing your praise, almighty Father, through Jesus, our Lord, in the power of the Holy Spirit, now and for ever.

Glory to you for ever and ever. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

**Our Father,
who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread.

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

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

THE FRACTION ANTHEM *Mass of St. George*

Andrew Wells (b.1962)

Larghetto

(org.) Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the

world, have mer - cy on us. REPEAT Descant Lamb of God, you take a -

way the sin of the world. Grant us 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.

COMMUNION ANTHEM *God Omnipotent Reigneth* Charles Wood (1866-1926)

God omnipotent reigneth, Clad in apparel bright;
 Sov'ran King He remaineth, Girded about with might;
 By him the world alone Immutably was grounded;
 In heav'n hath He His throne, From everlasting founded.

Ocean billow and breaker Uplift the voice of pride;
 But their mightier Maker Governeth wind and tide.
 His laws and sure decree Of holiness are telling,
 Which evermore shall be Sole inmate of His dwelling. Amen.

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of grace, we have received the memorial of the death and resurrection of your Son. May your love, poured into us, bring us to your promises. We ask this in the name of our Redeemer Jesus Christ. **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 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, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

HYMN AT THE CLOSING

HANOVER

1 O wor - ship the King, all glo - rious a - bove;
2 O tell of his might, O sing of his grace,
3 The earth with its store of won - ders un - told,
4 Thy boun - ti - ful care what tongue can re - cite?

O grate - ful - ly sing his power and his love;
whose robe is the light, whose can - o - py space;
Al - might - y, thy power hath found - ed of old,
It breathes in the air, it shines in the light;

our shield and de - fend - er, the An - cient of Days,
 his char - iots of wrath the deep thun - der - clouds form,
 hath stab - lished it fast by a change - less de - cree,
 it streams from the hills, it de - scends to the plain,

pa - vil - ioned in splen - dour and gird - ed with praise.
 and dark is his path on the wings of the storm.
 and round it hath cast, like a man - tle, the sea.
 and sweet - ly dis - tils in the dew and the rain.

5 Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,
 in thee do we trust, nor find thee to fail;
 thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end,
 our maker, defender, redeemer, and friend.

6 O measureless Might, ineffable Love,
 while angels delight to hymn thee above,
 the humbler creation, though feeble their lays,
 with true adoration shall sing to thy praise.

THE DISMISSAL

Let go forth in the name of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

VOLUNTARY *Gigue Fugue, BWV 577*

J.S. Bach

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

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