



# THE HOLY EUCHARIST

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

JANUARY 7, 2024 • 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 Air from *Water Music*

G.F. Handel (1685-1759)

GREETING

*Please stand as you are able.*

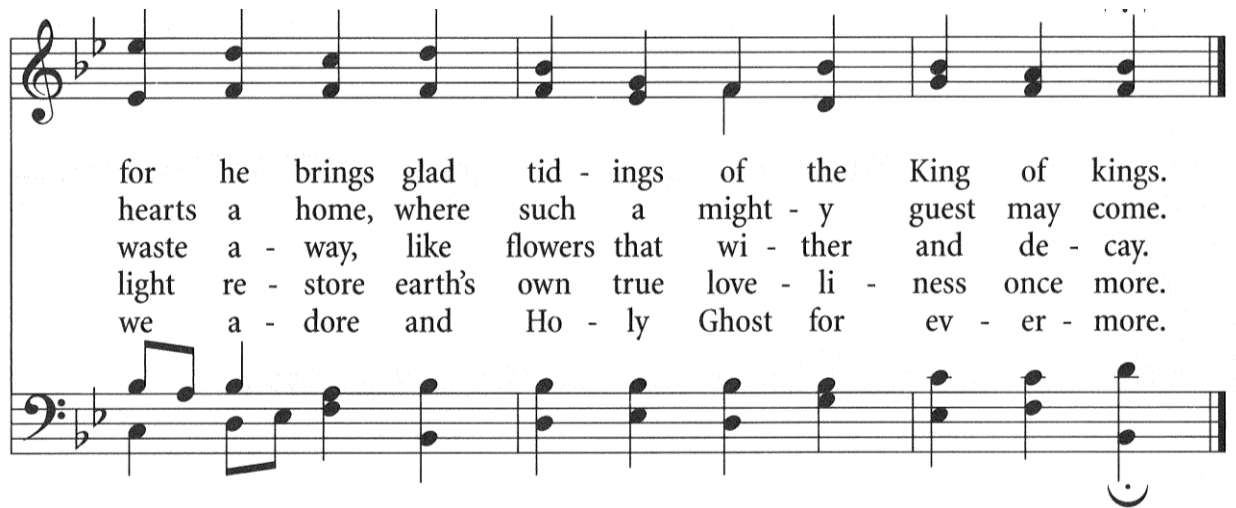
## THE ENTRANCE RITE

HYMN

WINCHESTER NEW

1 On Jor - dan's bank, the Bap - tist's cry an - noun - ces  
2 Then cleansed be ev - ery breast from sin; make straight the  
3 For thou art our sal - va - tion, Lord, our ref - uge,  
4 To heal the sick stretch out thine hand, and bid the  
5 All praise, e - ter - nal Son, to thee whose ad - vent

that the Lord is nigh; a - wake and hear - ken,  
way for God with - in. Pre - pare we in our  
and our great re - ward; with - out thy grace we  
fal - len sin - ner stand; shine forth, and let thy  
doth thy peo - ple free, whom with the Fa - ther



for he brings glad tid - ings of the King of kings.  
 hearts a home, where such a might - y guest may come.  
 waste a - way, like flowers that wi - ther and de - cay.  
 light re - store earth's own true love - li - ness once more.  
 we a - dore and Ho - ly Ghost for ev - er - more.

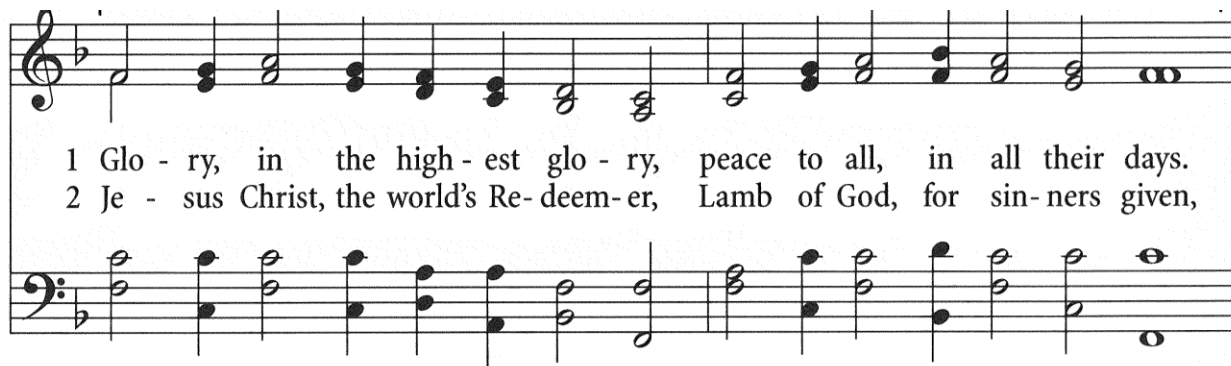
### THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

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

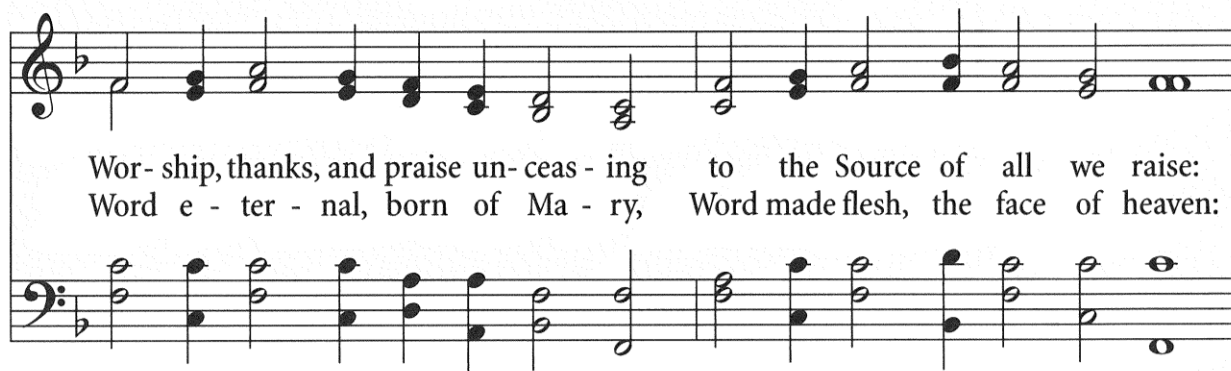
**And also with you.**

### THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

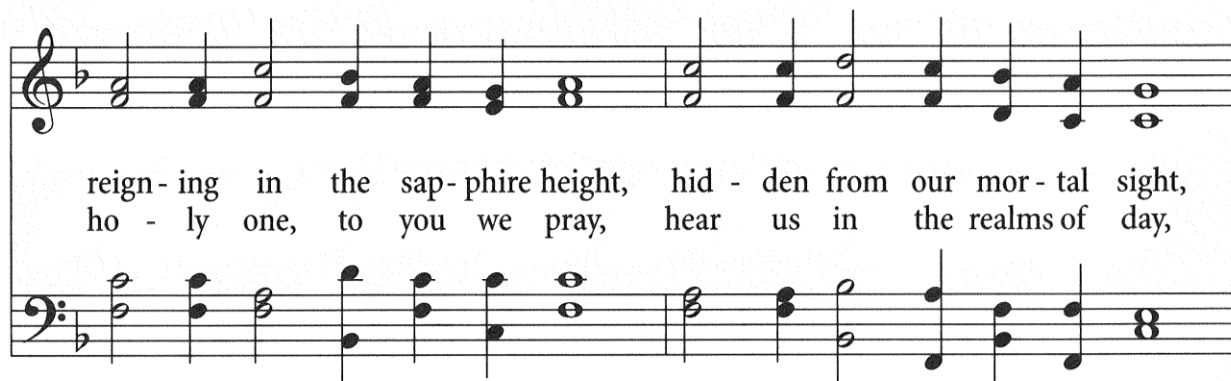
Almighty God,  
 to you all hearts are open,  
 all desires known,  
 and from you no secrets are hidden.  
 Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts  
 by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,  
 that we may perfectly love you,  
 and worthily magnify your holy name;  
 through Christ our Lord. Amen.



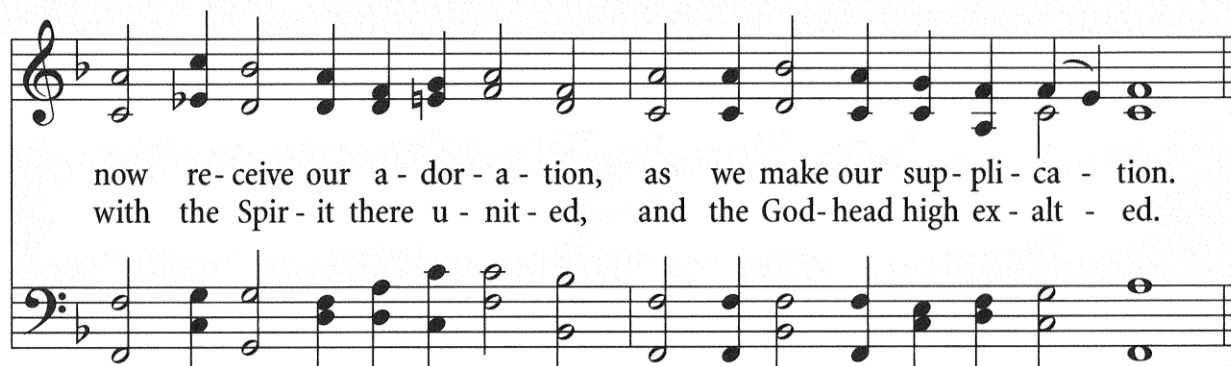
1 Glo - ry, in the high - est glo - ry, peace to all, in all their days.  
2 Je - sus Christ, the world's Re - deem - er, Lamb of God, for sin - ners given,



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

Eternal Father, who at the baptism of Jesus revealed him to be your Son, anointing him with the Holy Spirit, keep your children, born of water and the Spirit, faithful to their calling; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.  
**Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

THE CHILDREN'S FOCUS

The Reverend Terry Shields Dirbas

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST READING

Genesis 1:1-5

*A reading from the Book of Genesis*

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

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

**Thanks be to God.**

- 1 Ascribe to the Lord, you gods,  
ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.
- 2 Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name;  
worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.
- 3 The voice of the Lord is upon the waters;  
the God of glory thunders;  
the Lord is upon the mighty waters.
- 4 The voice of the Lord is a powerful voice;  
the voice of the Lord is a voice of splendour.
- 5 The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees;  
the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;
- 6 He makes Lebanon skip like a calf,  
and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.
- 7 The voice of the Lord splits the flames of fire;  
the voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness;  
the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.
- 8 The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe  
and strips the forests bare.
- 9 And in the temple of the Lord  
all are crying, "Glory!"
- 10 The Lord sits enthroned above the flood;  
the Lord sits enthroned as king for evermore.
- 11 The Lord shall give strength to his people;  
the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.

*A reading from the Acts of the Apostles*

While Apollos was in Corinth, Paul passed through the interior regions and came to Ephesus, where he found some disciples. He said to them, "Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you became believers?" They replied, "No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit." Then he said, "Into what then were you baptized?" They answered, "Into John's baptism." Paul said, "John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is, in Jesus." On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. When Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke in tongues and prophesied - altogether there were about twelve of them.

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

**Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand as you are able.*

## HYMN AT THE SEQUENCE

CAITHNESS

1 Christ, when for us you were bap - tized, God's Spi - rit on you came,  
 2 God called you his be - lov - ed Son, called you his ser - vant true,  
 3 Straight - way and stead - fast un - til death you then o - beyed his call  
 4 Bap - tize us with your Spi - rit, Lord, your cross on us be signed,

as peace - ful as a dove and yet as ur - gent as a flame.  
 sent you his king - dom to pro - claim, his ho - ly will to do.  
 free - ly as Son of Man to serve and give your life for all.  
 that, like - wise in God's ser - vice we may per - fect free - dom find.

## THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*The Cantor sings the Alleluia; then all repeat.*



*Cantor*      A voice came from heaven, saying, “This is my beloved Son  
with whom I am well pleased.”      *Alleluia*

## THE HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 1:4-11

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

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

John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel’s hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He proclaimed, “The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.” In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, “You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.”

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

*Please be seated.*

## THE SERMON

The Reverend James Hwang



*Please stand as you are able.*

#### THE NICENE CREED

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

*Please remain standing or kneel, as you are able.*

#### THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

As we celebrate the baptism of Christ, let us offer prayers to God who calls us to pass from death to life.

For Christians everywhere that we, faithful to our baptismal calling, may become a royal priesthood, a holy nation. In the Anglican Communion, we pray for Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Scottish Episcopal Church; and for our companion diocese, the Diocese of Northern Philippines. In the Anglican Church of Canada, we pray for Linda, our Primate; Chris, the National Indigenous Archbishop; and John, our bishop. In the Diocese of New Westminster, we pray for the Church of the Epiphany, Surrey; and the Church of Christ the Redeemer, Surrey.

Lord in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

For the leaders of the nations, and all in authority, including Justin, our Prime Minister; David, our Premier; and Ken, our mayor. Guide your people in the ways of justice and peace, that we may honour one another and serve the common good.

Lord in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honour and glory.

Lord in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Lord in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. (We remember especially . . .)

*Silence*

Lord in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. (We remember especially . . .)

*Silence*

Lord in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

Remembering the blessed Virgin Mary, John the Baptist, and all the saints, let us offer ourselves and one another to the living God through Christ.  
**To you, O Lord our God.**

*The Celebrant continues*

Holy One of Israel, you breathed across the waters of creation: Accept the prayers we offer on this joyful feast, lead us by your Spirit through water and blood, and quench our thirst at the table of your Son. Glory to you for ever. **Amen.**

*Please remain standing or kneel, as you are able.*

#### 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 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.*



1 Mark how the Lamb of God's self - of - fering our hu - man sin - ful -  
 2 From this as - sur - ance of God's fa - vour Je - sus goes to the  
 3 Grant us, O God, the strength and cour - age to live the faith our

ness takes on in the birth - wa - ters of the Jor - dan  
 wil - der - ness, there to en - dure a time of test - ing  
 lips de - clare; bless us in our bap - tis - mal call - ing;

as Je - sus is bap - tized by John. Hear how the voice from  
 that rea - died him to teach and bless. So we, by wa - ter  
 Christ's roy - al priest - hood help us share. Turn us from ev - ery

heav-en thun-ders, "Lo, this is my be-lov-ed Son." See how  
 and the Spir-it bap-tized in-to Christ's min-is-try, are of-  
 false al-le-giance, that we may trust in Christ a-lone; raise up

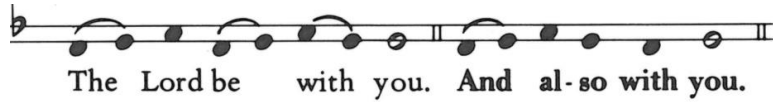
in dove-like form the Spir-it de-scends on God's A-noin-ted One.  
 ten led to paths of ser-vice through maz-es of ad-ver-si-ty.  
 in us a cho-sen peo-ple trans-formed by love to be your own.

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

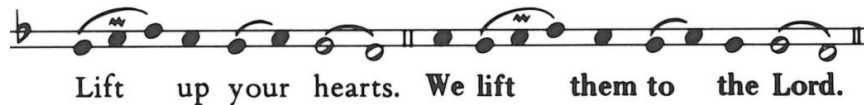
### THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

God of life and freedom, we celebrate the revelation of Jesus as the Christ who makes all creation new. Accept all we offer you this day and make us new in him, who is Lord for ever and ever. **Amen.**

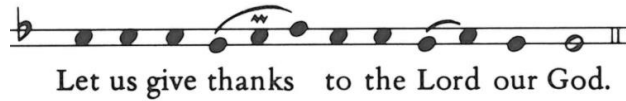
# THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



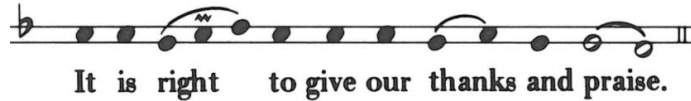
The Lord be with you. And al-so with you.



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



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; you have revealed your eternal plan of salvation, and have shown your Son Jesus Christ to be the light of all peoples. Therefore with angels and archangels we raise our voices in joyful praise to proclaim the glory of your name.

# THE SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS *Community Mass*

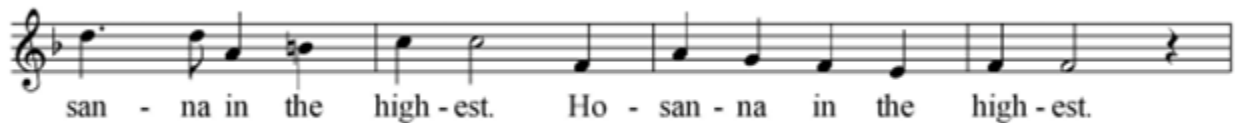
R. Proulx (1937-2010)



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 thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, Father, according to his command,

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

and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*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.) *mp* 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. *pp* 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. 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

*Tomorrow Shall be My Dancing Day*

John Gardner (1917-2011)

Tomorrow shall be my dancing day;  
I would my true love did so chance  
To see the legend of my play,  
To call my true love to my dance;

Chorus (sung after each verse)  
Sing, oh! my love, oh! my love, my love, my love,  
This have I done for my true love.

Then was I born of a virgin pure,  
Of her I took fleshly substance  
Thus was I knit to man's nature  
To call my true love to my dance.

In a manger laid, and wrapped I was  
So very poor, this was my chance  
Betwixt an ox and a silly poor ass  
To call my true love to my dance.

Then afterwards baptized I was;  
The Holy Ghost on me did glance,  
My Father's voice heard I from above,  
To call my true love to my dance.

*Please stand as you are able.*

#### THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Gracious God, lover of all, by this sacrament you make us one family in Christ your Son, one in the sharing of his body and blood, one in the communion of his Spirit. Help us to grow in love for one another and come to the full maturity of the Body of Christ. We ask this in his name.  
**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.**

*Please be seated.*

## THE NOTICES

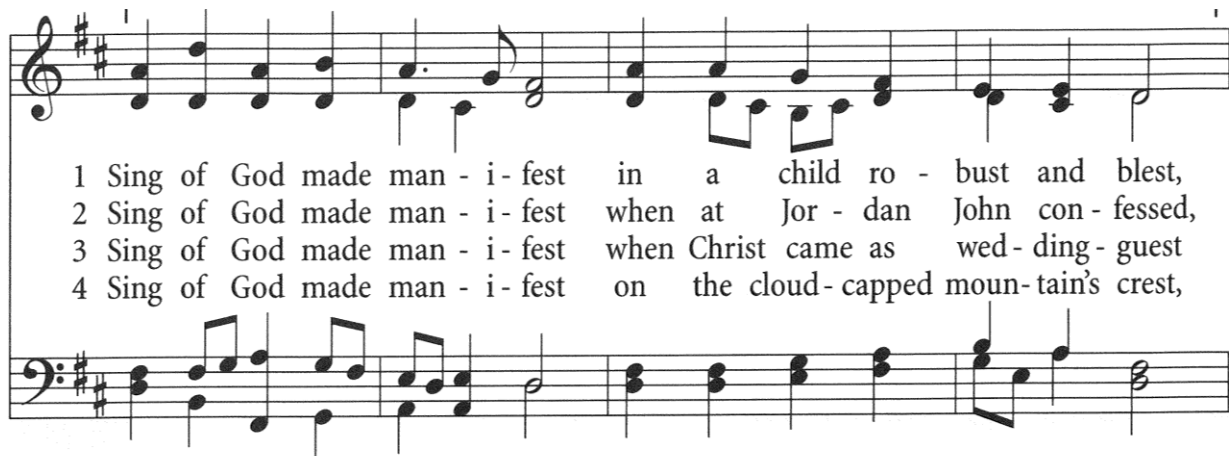
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## THE BLESSING

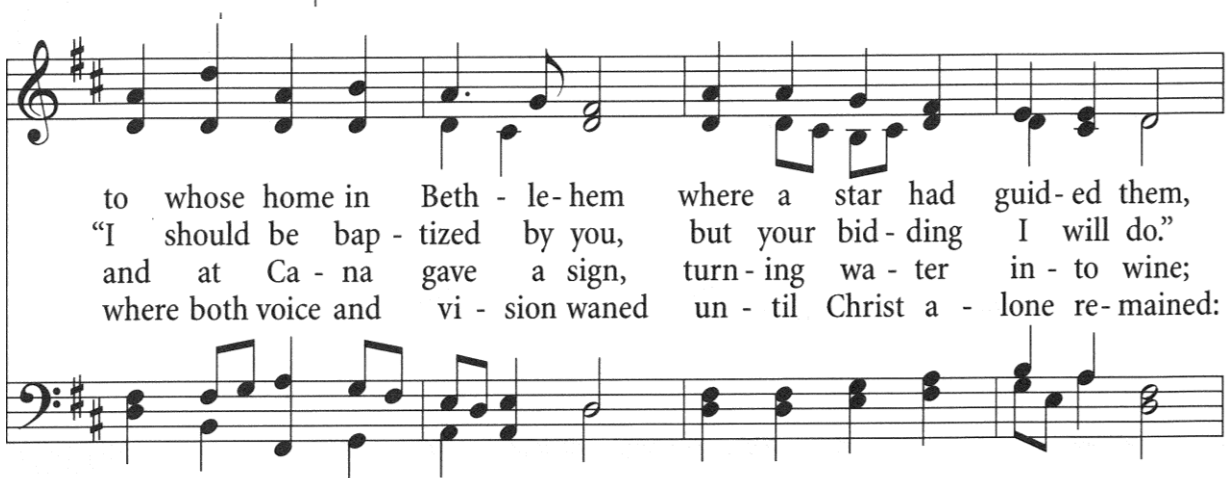
May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

## HYMN AT THE CLOSING

SALZBURG



1 Sing of God made man - i - fest in a child ro - bust and blest,  
2 Sing of God made man - i - fest when at Jor - dan John con - fessed,  
3 Sing of God made man - i - fest when Christ came as wed - ding - guest  
4 Sing of God made man - i - fest on the cloud - capped moun - tain's crest,



to whose home in Beth - le - hem where a star had guid - ed them,  
"I should be bap - tized by you, but your bid - ding I will do."  
and at Ca - na gave a sign, turn - ing wa - ter in - to wine;  
where both voice and vi - sion waned un - til Christ a - lone re - mained:

ma - gi came and gifts un - bound, signs mys - ter - ious and pro - found:  
 Then from heaven a dou - ble sign— dove - like Spir - it, voice di - vine—  
 fur - ther still was love re - vealed as he taught, for - gave, and healed,  
 glimpse of glo - ry, pledge of grace, given as Je - sus set his face

myrrh and frank - in - cense and gold grave and God and king fore - told.  
 hailed the true A - noint - ed One: "This is my be - lov - ed Son."  
 bring - ing light and life to all who would lis - ten to God's call.  
 towards the wait - ing cross and grave, sign of hope that God would save.

THE DISMISSAL

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

VOLUNTARY Hornpipe from *Water Music*

G.F. Handel

*Please remain standing as the procession leaves the church. Though some people choose to stay for the entire organ postlude, please feel welcome to depart when the Spirit moves you. We hope you will join us for coffee and refreshments in the Trendell Lounge after the service.*

## ST. JOHN'S, SHAUGHNESSY STAFF AND LEADERSHIP

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