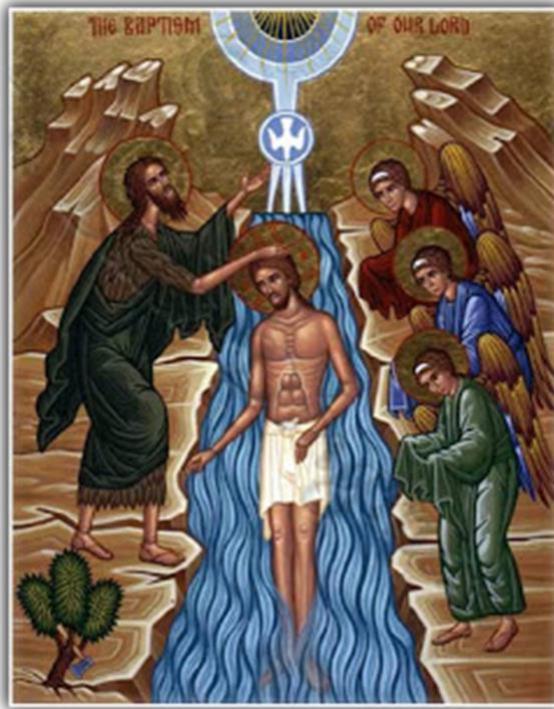


THE PARISH OF CHRIST THE REDEEMER  
PELHAM, NEW YORK



THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY:  
THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST  
(1 EPIPHANY, YEAR A)

THE HOLY EUCHARIST  
10:00 AM, JANUARY 11, 2026

## **ABOUT CHRIST CHURCH**

The Parish of Christ the Redeemer (known as Christ Church) is the Episcopal Church in Pelham, New York. The Episcopal Church is part of the Anglican Communion which is made up of 85 million people in over 165 countries and is the third largest Christian denomination in the world. Christ Church was founded in 1843 and is the first house of worship in Pelham. This building was consecrated on September 15, 1843, the original church building was expanded in 1910, and the sanctuary was reconstructed in 1968 to allow for the current, more intimate worship space. Our congregation draws primarily from Pelham, New Rochelle, Mount Vernon, and the Bronx, and includes people from diverse denominational and cultural backgrounds.

## **ABOUT EPIPHANY SEASON / ORDINARY TIME**

This is the First Sunday after the Epiphany, traditionally observed as the Feast of the Baptism of Our Lord Jesus Christ. This period in the Church year is known as the “Epiphany Season” or “Ordinary Time.” The term “ordinary” refers to how the New Testament passages are generally read in order or in sequence, as opposed to being arranged by specific theme as in other seasons. During this season the Gospel passages focus on the beginning of Jesus’ ministry and how he is revealed to the world as the Christ. In Year A (the first in a three-year cycle: A, B & C) most of the Gospel passages are from the Gospel according to Matthew. The Old Testament Lesson and the Psalm are chosen because they relate to the words and message of Jesus. The New Testament Lesson is independent of these readings and reflects the common life and mission of the first Christian community.

## **ABOUT TODAY’S SERVICE**

The Holy Eucharist, the principal act of Christian worship on the Lord's Day and other major Feasts, and Daily Morning and Evening Prayer, as set forth in the Book of Common Prayer, 1979, are the regular services appointed for public worship in the Episcopal Church. At Christ Church we celebrate the Holy Eucharist every Sunday, and also on Holy Days and other occasions. Today's liturgy is from the red *Book of Common Prayer* 1979. All hymns are taken from the blue *Hymnal 1982* or other authorized hymnals for use in the Episcopal Church. All hymns are reprinted with permission under OneLicense.net A713125.



## CHILDREN, NURSERY CARE, AND SUNDAY SCHOOL

Children of all ages are always welcome in church. Childcare is available in the Nursery every Sunday during the 10:00 AM Eucharist. Sunday School is offered during the academic year. Sunday School children join the rest of the congregation for the Holy Communion. Scan the QR code to register for Sunday School.



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## 2026 STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN: PLEDGE TODAY

God is at work at Christ Church. Sunday worship attendance continues to increase; children and family ministries are growing; outreach and service efforts are aiding many in need across our communities; music and concert programs are flourishing; and fellowship and educational ministries are bringing people of all ages together. Our pledge goal this year is \$550,000 which accounts for cost increases. We want every parishioner to pledge. The amount is personal and should reflect where Christ Church lives with you and your family. Your continued support ensures we have excellent clergy and staff, keeps our buildings beautiful and safe, and funds our programs and ministries.

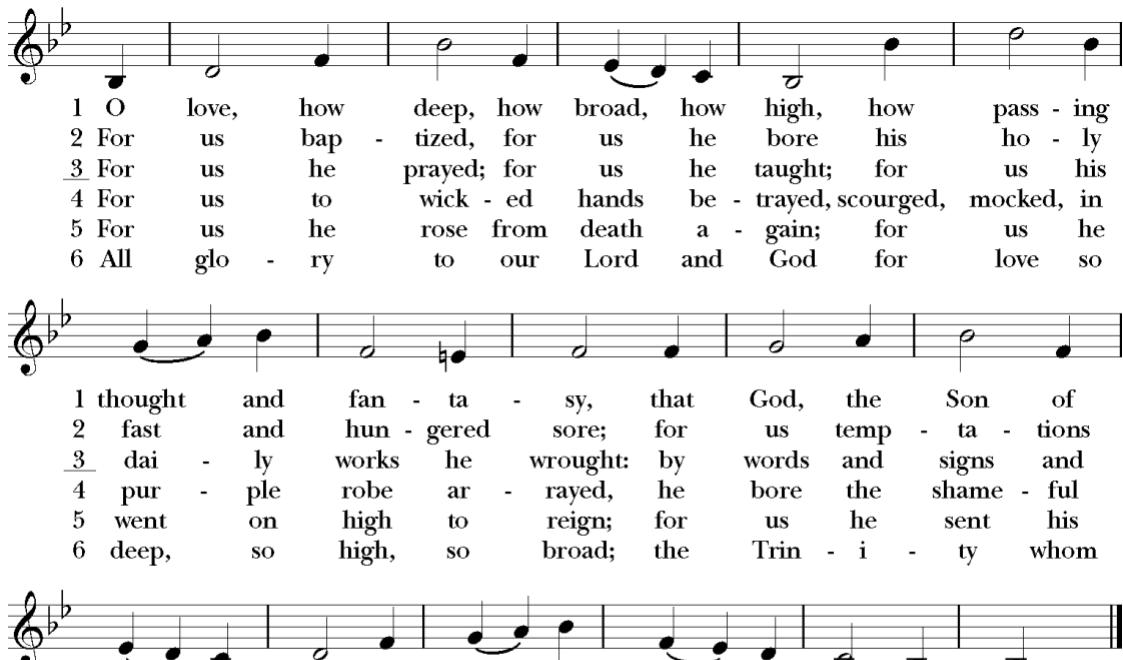
## ORGAN PRELUDE

*The prelude is offered before worship as a form of prayer. Once the prelude begins, please refrain from conversation in the church or outside the Sacristy.*

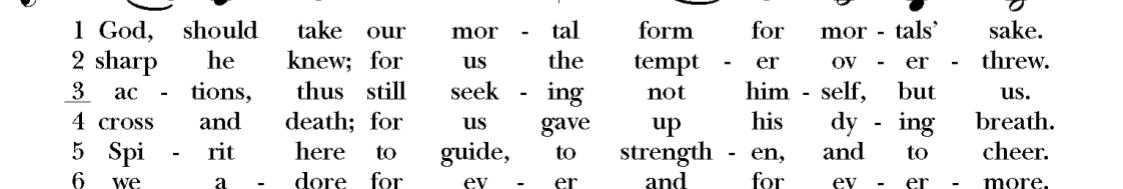
Christ, our Lord, came to the Jordan River BWV 685 Johann Sebastian Bach 1685-1750  
Meditation Bischof

## ENTRANCE HYMN (#448)

*All stand and sing the hymn as the minister enter.*



1 O love, how deep, how broad, how high, how passing  
2 For us bap - tized, for us he bore his ho - ly  
3 For us he prayed; for us he taught; for us his  
4 For us to wick - ed hands be - trayed, scourged, mocked, in  
5 For us he rose from death a - gain; for us he  
6 All glo - ry to our Lord and God for love so



1 thought and fan - ta - sy, that God, the Son of  
2 fast and hun - gered sore; for us temp - ta - tions  
3 dai - ly works he wrought: by words and signs and  
4 pur - ple robe ar - rayed, he bore the shame - ful  
5 went on high to reign; for us he sent his  
6 deep, so high, so broad; the Trin - i - ty whom

1 God, should take our mor - tal form for mor - tals' sake.  
2 sharp he knew; for us the tempt - er ov - er - threw.  
3 ac - tions, thus still seek - ing not him - self, but us.  
4 cross and death; for us gave up his dy - ing breath.  
5 Spi - rit here to guide, to strength - en, and to cheer.  
6 we a - dore for ev - er and for ev - er - more.

Words: Latin, 15th cent.; tr. Benjamin Webb (1819–1885), alt.  
Music: *Deus tuorum militum*, from *Antiphoner*, 1753; adapt. *The English Hymnal*, 1906, alt.; harm. after Basil Harwood (1859–1949)  
Meter: LM

## OPENING ACCLAMATION & COLLECT FOR PURITY

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

*People* **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

*Celebrant* Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: 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.

*All* **Amen.**

## GLORIA IN EXCELSIS (#421)

*All remain standing and sing the song of praise.*

1 All glo - ry be to God on high, and peace on earth from  
2 O Lamb of God, Lord Je - sus Christ, whom God the Fa - ther  
3 You on - ly are the Ho - ly One, who came for our sal -

he a - ven, and God's good will un - fail - ing - ly be  
gave us, who for the world was sac - ri - ficed up -  
va - tion, and on - ly you are God's true Son, who

to all peo - ple giv - en. We bless, we wor - ship you, we raise for  
on the cross to save us; and, as you sit at God's right hand and  
was be - fore cre - a - tion. You on - ly, Christ, as Lord we own and,

your great glo - ry thanks and praise, O God, Al-might - y Fa - ther.  
we for judg - ment there must stand, have mer - cy, Lord, up - on us.  
with the Spi - rit, you a - lone share in the Fa - ther's glo - ry.

Words: Nikolaus Decius (1490?–1541); tr. F. Bland Tucker (1895–1984), rev.; para. of *Gloria in excelsis*  
Music: *Allein Gott in der Höh*, melody att. Nikolaus Decius (1490?–1541); harm. Hieronymous Praetorius  
(1560?–1629)

Meter: 87. 87. 887

## COLLECT OF THE DAY

*All remain standing.*

*Celebrant*      The Lord be with you

*People*            **And also with you.**

*Celebrant*      Let us pray.

Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting.

*All*                **Amen.**

## FIRST LESSON: ISAIAH 42:1-9

*All are seated.*

*Reader*           A Reading from the Book of Isaiah.

Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations. He will not cry or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street; a bruised reed he will not break, and a dimly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice. He will not grow faint or be crushed until he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his teaching. Thus says God, the Lord, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people upon it and spirit to those who walk in it: I am the Lord, I have called you in righteousness, I have taken you by the hand and kept you; I have given you as a covenant to the people, a light to the nations, to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness. I am the Lord, that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to idols. See, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth, I tell you of them.

The Word of the Lord.

*People*            **Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM 29

*All remain seated while the choir sings the psalm to an Anglican Chant by Ray Francis Brown.*

Ascribe to the Lord, you gods, \*  
    ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.  
Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his Name; \*  
    worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.  
The voice of the Lord is upon the waters;  
    the God of glory thunders; \*  
    the Lord is upon the mighty waters.  
The voice of the Lord is a powerful voice; \*  
    the voice of the Lord is a voice of splendor.  
The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees; \*  
    the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;  
He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, \*  
    and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.  
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.  
The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe \*  
    and strips the forests bare.  
And in the temple of the Lord \*  
    all are crying, "Glory!"  
The Lord sits enthroned above the flood; \*  
    the Lord sits enthroned as King for evermore.  
The Lord shall give strength to his people; \*  
    the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.

## THE SECOND LESSON: ACTS 10:34-43

*All are seated.*

*Reader* A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Peter began to speak to them: “I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

The Word of the Lord.

*People*

**Thanks be to God.**

## SEQUENCE HYMN (#516)

*All stand and sing the hymn.*



1 Come down, O Love di - vine, seek thou this soul of mine,  
2 O let it free - ly burn, till earth - ly pas - sions turn  
3 And so the yearn - ing strong, with which the soul will long,  
  
and vis - it it with thine own ar - dor glow - ing;  
to dust and ash - es in its heat con - sum - ing;  
shall far out - pass the power of hu - man tell - ing;  
  
O Com-fort - er, draw near, with - in my heart ap - pear,  
and let thy glo - rious light shine ev - er on my sight,  
for none can guess its grace, till Love cre - ate a place

Words: Bianco da Siena (d. 1434?); tr. Richard Frederick Littledale (1833–1890), alt.

Music: *Down Ampney*, Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872–1958)

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Meter: 66. 11. D

## THE HOLY GOSPEL: MATTHEW 3:13-17

*All remain standing for the Gospel.*

*Deacon* ✕ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

*Deacon* Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, “I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?” But Jesus answered him, “Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness.” Then he consented. And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, “This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## THE SERMON

*All are seated for the sermon.*

## NICENE CREED

*All stand and join in saying the Nicene Creed.*

*Celebrant*      We believe in one God,

*All*                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 and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped 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.

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Deacon* Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;  
*People* **That we all may be one.**

*Deacon* Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;  
*People* **That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

*Deacon* We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;  
*People* **That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

*Deacon* We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;  
*People* **That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

*Deacon* Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;  
*People* **That our works may find favor in your sight.**

*Deacon* Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;  
*People* **That they may be delivered from their distress.**

*Deacon* Give to the departed eternal rest;  
*People* **Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

*Deacon* We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;  
*People* **May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

*Deacon* Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

*Our prayers are asked for Sean our Presiding Bishop, Matthew and Allen our Bishops, Father Matt our Rector, Mother Meredith, Deacon Chisara, and our Wardens, Officers, and Vestry members. We pray also for: Keary, Bob, Jenny, Mike, Bill, Tom, Julie, Anne, Kristen, Ari, Jennifer, Marion, Sam, Elaine, Sheila, Amy, Alice, Barbara, Janet, Sandy, Beth, Ingrid, Didi, Tim, Chris, Marilyn, Alison, Bob, Robert, Allison, Hildy, Jordan, Cathy, Tom, Bill, Mike, Sara, David, Dru, Kevin, Brian, Helen, and M&D. We pray for those in our Armed Services especially: Gina Marie, Sean, Dylan, Gus, Chuck, Sam, Helen, Joseph, Philip, Jake, Matthew, Robert, Nicholas, Mitchel, Alec, Jonah, Tia, Tyrese, Terrence. We also pray for those who have died, especially Thomas Hanusik (1/3). May his soul, and the souls of the departed rest in peace, Amen. We give thanks for those celebrating birthdays this week, especially Michael Micciche (1/11), Regan Begley (1/15), Carla Carroll (1/15)*

## CONFSSION OF SIN

*Deacon*      Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.  
*All* kneel (as able).

*Celebrant*      Most merciful God,  
*All*                **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 neighbors 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.**

*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.

*All*                **Amen.**

## THE PEACE

*All stand.*

*Celebrant*      The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People*      **And also with you.**

*Then the Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

## WELCOME & OFFERTORY SENTENCE

*All are seated. The announcements conclude with the offertory sentence.*



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## HOLY COMMUNION IN THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

*All baptized persons, including children, are full members of the Body of Christ and are invited to participate in every aspect of the service and receive the Holy Communion. Members of other Christian churches who are baptized are also invited to receive the Body and Blood of Christ. Persons who do not wish to receive Holy Communion are also invited to come forward with everyone else to receive a blessing (cross your arms over your chest to indicate that you want a blessing and not Holy Communion).*

## OFFERTORY ANTHEM

*The gifts of bread and wine are prepared at the altar and an offering is taken while the Parish Choir sings an anthem.*

Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring BWV 147

Bach

Jesus, joy of our desiring, holy wisdom, love most bright;  
drawn by thee, our souls aspiring soar to uncreated light.  
Word of God, our flesh that fashioned, with the fire of life impassioned,  
striving still to truth unknown, soaring, dying round thy throne.

Through the way where hope is guiding, hark, what peaceful music rings;  
where the flock, in thee confiding, drink of joy from deathless springs.  
Theirs is beauty's fairest pleasure; theirs is wisdom's holiest treasure.  
Thou dost ever lead thine own in the love of joys unknown.

## OFFERTORY DOXOLOGY (#380, VS 3)

*All stand and sing the Doxology as the offering is brought to the altar and blessed.*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him a-bove, ye heav'nly host: Praise Father, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost. A-men.

Words:

Thomas Ken (1637-1711)

Music:

*Old 100th*, melody from *Pseaumes octante trois de David*, 1551, alt.; harm. after Louis Bourgeois (1510?-1561?)

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*All remain standing. The chanted parts may be said at the discretion of the Priest Celebrant.*

*Celebrant*

The Lord be with you.

*People*

And al - so with you.

*Celebrant*

Lift up your hearts.

*People*

We lift them to the Lord.

*Celebrant*

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People*

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

*Celebrant*

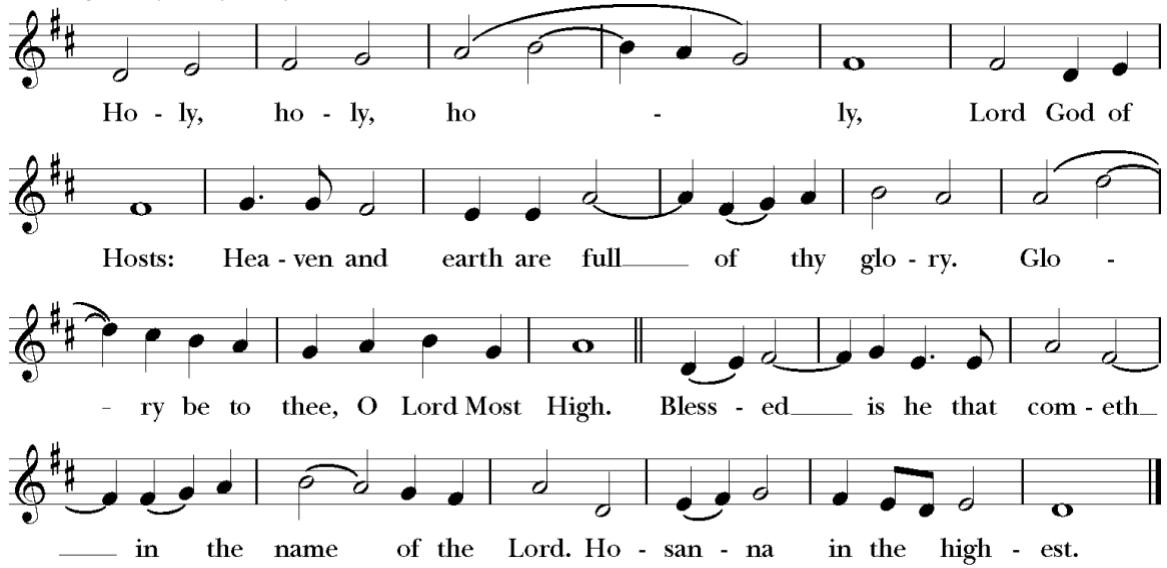
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

*The Celebrant continues with the Proper Preface assigned for the day.*

*Celebrant*

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

All sing "Holy, holy, holy" (#S 114)



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of  
Hosts: Hea - ven and earth are full - of thy glo - ry. Glo -  
ry be to thee, O Lord Most High. Bless - ed is he that com - eth  
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Music:

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*The people stand or kneel.*

**Celebrant** We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of 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 Savior 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 before he died for us, 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.”



*Celebrant*

There - fore, according to his command, O Father,



*People*

We re-mem-ber his death,



We pro-claim his res - ur - rec - tion,



We a-wait his com-ing in glo-ry.

*Celebrant*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O 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 may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Mary, the Virgin Mother of God and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of 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 him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father,

The image shows two staves of musical notation. The top staff is for the *Celebrant* and the bottom staff is for the *People*. The notation consists of vertical stems with dots representing note heads. The *Celebrant* staff has a bass clef and a key signature of one flat. The *People* staff has a bass clef and a key signature of one flat. The lyrics "now and for ev - er." and "A - MEN." are written below the staves. The notes are aligned with the lyrics, with a smiley face indicating a sustained note.

*Celebrant* And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,  
*All* **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.**

# THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread. A period of silence is observed.*

*All sing “Lamb of God” (Hymn #S 158)*

way the sins of the world, have mer - cy up -  
 on us. O Lamb of God, that  
 ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, have  
 mer - cy up - on us. O Lamb of  
 God, that ta - kest a - way the sins of the  
 world, grant us thy peace.

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## INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

*The Celebrant invites the people to receive the Holy Communion. All baptized persons, including children, are invited to receive Holy Communion. Members of other Christian churches who are baptized are also invited to receive the Body and Blood of Christ. Persons who do not wish to receive Holy Communion are invited to come forward with everyone else to receive a blessing (cross your arms over your chest to indicate that you want a blessing).*

## COMMUNION ANTHEM

*During the ministration of Holy Communion, the Parish Choir sings an anthem.*

Amazing Grace

New Britain

Amazing grace! how sweet the sound,  
that saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost but now am found,  
was blind but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,  
and grace my fears relieved; how precious did that grace appear  
the hour I first believed!

The Lord has promised good to me,  
his word my hope secures;  
he will my shield and portion be  
as long as life endures.

Through many dangers, toils, and snares,  
I have already come;  
'tis grace that brought me safe thus far,  
and grace will lead me home.

When we've been there ten thousand years,  
bright shining as the sun,  
we've no less days to sing God's praise  
than when we'd first begun.

## POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

*All kneel as you are able.*

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*All* Almighty and ever living God,  
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food  
of the most precious Body and Blood  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;  
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries  
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,  
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.  
And now, Father, send us out  
to do the work you have given us to do,  
to love and serve you  
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.  
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

## POST COMMUNION HYMN (#135)

*All stand and sing the hymn.*



Words:

Sts. 1–3, Christopher Wordsworth (1807–1885); st. 4, F. Bland Tucker (1895–1984)

Music:

*Salzburg*, melody Jakob Hintze (1622–1702); harm. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)

Meter:

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## BLESSING & DISMISSAL

*The celebrant offers a blessing which concludes as follows.*

*Celebrant*     ... and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.

*People*       **Amen.**

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

*People*       **Thanks be to God.**

## PROCESSIONAL VOLUNTARY

*All remain standing as the altar party processes from the Sanctuary during the Postlude. Once the altar party has departed, please be seated and be courteous to those who are listening to the music by remaining quiet.*

Christ, Our Lord, Came to the Jordan River BWV 684

Bach

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