

THE PARISH OF CHRIST THE REDEEMER  
PELHAM, NEW YORK



THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY  
(3 EPIPHANY, YEAR A)

THE HOLY EUCHARIST  
10:00 AM, JANUARY 25, 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 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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## **SUPPORT CHRIST CHURCH: HOW TO GIVE**

The majority of our operating budget is funded by donations. Ushers will pass the collection plate during the Offertory music midway through today's service, and you are invited to make a donation to support Christ Church. If you prefer, you can give online by scanning the QR code or texting an amount to: **914-351-2001**.



## **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.*

Prelude (Symphonie No. 1)

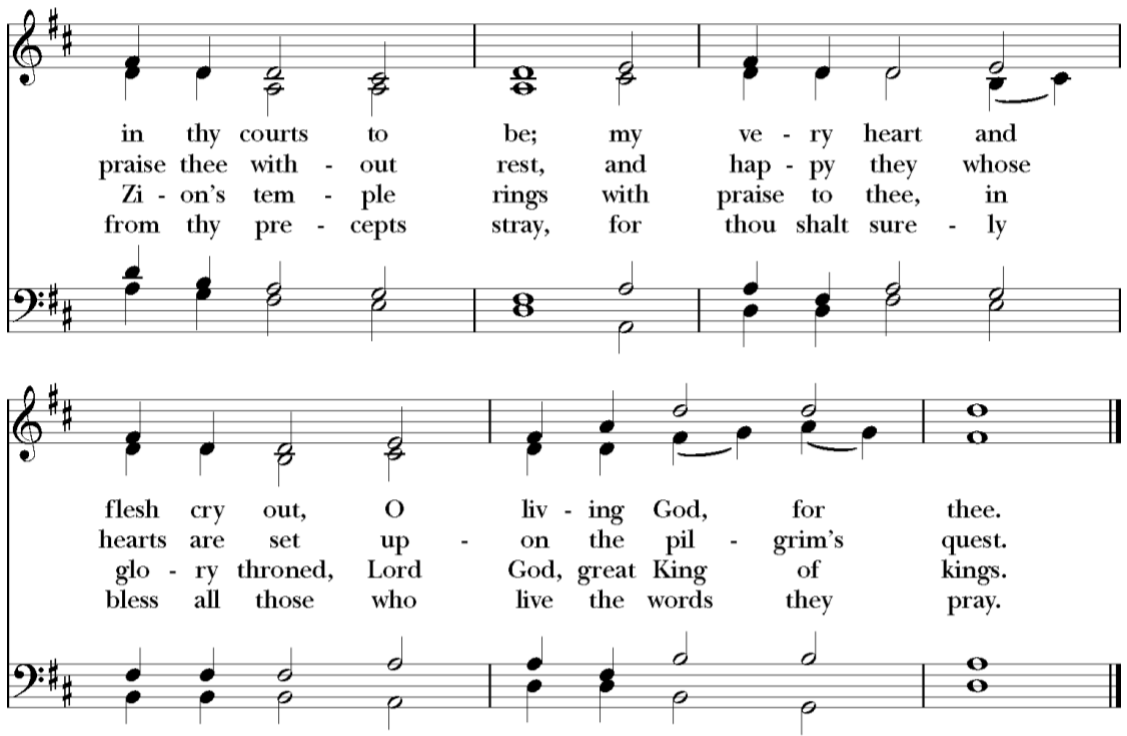
Louis Vierne (1870-1937)

## PROCESSION HYMN (#517)

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

1 How love - ly is thy dwell - ing - place, O Lord of hosts, to  
2 Be - side thine al - tars, gra - cious Lord, the swal-lows find a  
3 They who go through the des - ert vale will find it filled with  
4 One day with - in thy courts ex - cels a thou-sand spent a -

me! My thirst - y soul de - sires and longs with -  
nest; how hap - py they who dwell with thee and  
springs, and they shall climb from height to height till  
way; how hap - py they who keep thy laws nor



in thy courts to be; my ve - ry heart and  
praise thee with - out rest, and hap - py they whose  
Zi - on's tem - ple rings with praise to thee, in  
from thy pre - cepts stray, for thou shalt sure - ly

flesh cry out, O liv - ing God, for thee.  
hearts are set up - on the pil - grim's quest.  
glo - ry throned, Lord God, great King of kings.  
bless all those who live the words they pray.

Words: Para. of Psalm 84; sts. 1–2, *The Psalms of David in Meeter*, 1650, alt.; sts. 3–4, Carl P. Daw, Jr. (b. 1944)  
 Music: *Brother Jame's Air*, J. L. Mcbeth Bain (1840?–1925)  
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 Meter: 86. 86. 86

## 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 -

hea - 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. Hieronymus 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.

Give us grace, O Lord, to answer readily the call of our Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the Good News of his salvation, that we and the whole world may perceive the glory of his marvelous works; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

*All*

**Amen.**

## **FIRST LESSON: ISAIAH 9:1-4**

*All are seated.*

*Reader*

A Reading from the Book of Isaiah.

There will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations. The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness--on them light has shined. You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder. For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian.

The Word of the Lord.

*People*

**Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM 27:1, 5-13

### *Dominus illuminatio*

*The Choir sings the Psalm to an Anglican Chant. If there is no Choir, the Psalm is said responsively. The People's Parts are in bold, italics.*

The Lord is my light and my salvation;  
whom then shall I fear? \*  
the Lord is the strength of my life;  
of whom then shall I be afraid?

***One thing have I asked of the Lord;  
one thing I seek; \****

***that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life;***

To behold the fair beauty of the Lord \*  
and to seek him in his temple.

***For in the day of trouble he shall keep me safe in his shelter; \*  
he shall hide me in the secrecy of his dwelling  
and set me high upon a rock.***

Even now he lifts up my head \*  
above my enemies round about me.

***Therefore I will offer in his dwelling an oblation  
with sounds of great gladness; \****

***I will sing and make music to the Lord.***

Hearken to my voice, O Lord, when I call; \*  
have mercy on me and answer me.

***You speak in my heart and say, "Seek my face." \****  
***Your face, Lord, will I seek.***

Hide not your face from me, \*  
nor turn away your servant in displeasure.

***You have been my helper;  
cast me not away; \****  
***do not forsake me, O God of my salvation.***



## THE SECOND LESSON: 1 CORINTHIANS 1:10-18

*All are seated.*

*Reader*

A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. What I mean is that each of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power. For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

The Word of the Lord.

*People*

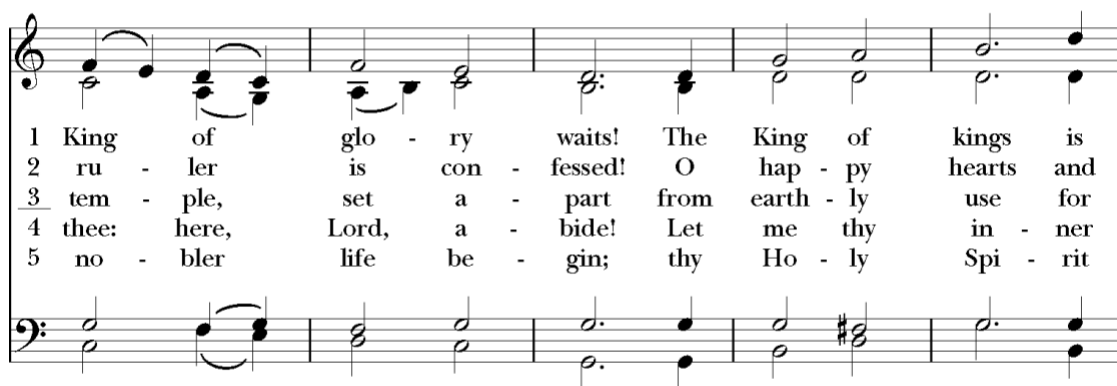
**Thanks be to God.**

# SEQUENCE HYMN (#436)

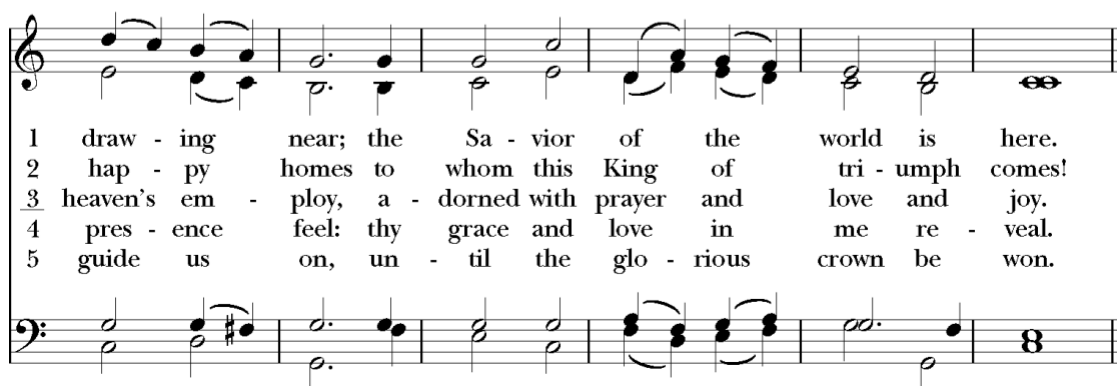
*All stand and sing the hymn.*



1 Lift up your heads, ye might - y gates; be - hold the  
 2 O blest the land, the ci - ty blest, where Christ the  
 3 Fling wide the por - tals of your heart; make it a  
 \*4 Re - deem - er, come! I o - pen wide my heart to  
 5 So come, my Sov - ereign; en - ter in! Let new and



1 King of glo - ry waits! The King of kings is  
 2 ru - ler is con - fessed! O hap - py hearts and  
 3 tem - ple, set a - part from earth - ly use for  
 4 thee: here, Lord, a - bid! Let me thy in - ner  
 5 no - bler life be - gin; thy Ho - ly Spi - rit



1 draw - ing near; the Sa - vior of the world is here.  
 2 hap - py homes to whom this King of tri - umph comes!  
 3 heaven's em - ploy, a - dorned with prayer and love and joy.  
 4 pres - ence feel: thy grace and love in me re - veal.  
 5 guide us on, un - til the glo - rious crown be won.

Words: Georg Weissel (1590–1635); tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827–1878)  
 Music: *Truro*, melody from *Psalmody Evangelica, Part II*, 1789; harm. Lowell Mason (1792–1872), alt.  
 Meter: LM

## THE HOLY GOSPEL: MATTHEW 4:12-23

*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* When Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: “Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali, on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned.” From that time Jesus began to proclaim, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.” As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. And he said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.” Immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him. Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## THE SERMON

*All are seated for the sermon by the Rev. Matthew Hoxsie Mead.*

## 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 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.**

## **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, Gina, 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, Drue, Kevin, Brian, Helen, and M&D. We pray for those in our Armed Services especially: 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. May their souls, and the souls of the departed rest in peace, Amen. We give thanks for those celebrating birthdays this week, especially Avel Jarka (1/25), Laura Pena (1/25), Gavin Brown (1/27), Jeffrey Rutigliano (1/29), Liam Clark (1/30).*

## CONFESSION 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. If there is no choir, the organist will play an improvisation.*

Let the people praise thee

William Mathias 1934-1992

Let the people praise thee, O God;  
yea, let all the people praise thee.  
O let the nations rejoice and be glad:  
for thou shalt judge the folk righteously,  
and govern the nations upon earth.

Then shall the earth bring forth her increase,  
and God, even our own God, shall give us his blessing.  
God shall bless us, and all the ends of the world shall fear him.

God be merciful unto us, and bless us,  
and show us the light of his countenance and be merciful unto us.  
That thy way may be known upon earth;  
thy saving health among all nations.



## 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: From *Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena*, Healey Willan (1880-1968)

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*The people stand or kneel.*

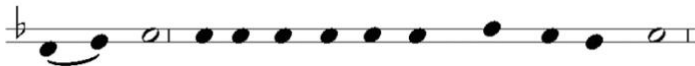
*Celebrant*

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,



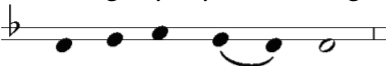
We a-wait his com-ing in glo-ry.

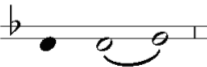
*Celebrant*

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,

*Celebrant*   
now and for ev - er.

*People*   
A - MEN.

*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.*

*Celebrant* Al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass-ov-er is sac-ri-ficed for us;

*People* There-fore let us keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia.

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

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, 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 choir sings an anthem. If there is no choir, the organist will play an improvisation.*

O For A Closer Walk

Charles Villier Stanford 1852-1924

O for a closer walk with God,  
A calm and heavenly frame;  
A light to shine upon the road  
That leads me to the Lamb!

Return, O holy dove, return,  
Sweet messenger of rest;  
I hate the sins that made thee mourn,  
And drove thee from my breast.

So shall my walk be close with God,  
Calm and serene my frame;  
So purer light shall mark the road  
That leads me to the Lamb.

## 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 (#324)

*All stand and sing the hymn.*

The musical score is written on a single treble clef staff. It consists of five lines of music, each with four vocal parts (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) indicated by the four staves. The lyrics are written below the staves, aligned with the notes. The melody is simple and repetitive, with a final double bar line at the end of the fifth line.

1 Let all mo - rtal flesh keep si - lence, and with fear and  
 2 King of kings, yet born of Ma - ry, as of old on  
 3 Rank on rank the host of hea - ven spreads its van - guard  
 4 At his feet the six - winged ser - aph; cher - u - bim with

trem - bling stand; pon - der noth - ing earth - ly -  
 earth he stood, Lord of lords in hu - man  
 on the way, as the Light of Light de -  
 sleep - less eye veil their fac - es to the

mind - ed, for with bless - ing in his hand  
 ves - ture, in the Bo - dy and the Blood  
 scend - eth from the realms of end - less day,  
 Pres - ence, as with cease - less voice they cry,

Christ our God to earth de - scend - eth,  
 he will give to all the faith - ful  
 that the powers of hell may va - nish  
 "Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!"

our full hom - age to de - mand.  
 his own self for heaven - ly food.  
 as the dark - ness clears a way.  
 Al - le - lu - ia, Lord Most High!"

Words: Liturgy of St. James; para. Gerard Moultrie (1829–1885)

Music: Picardy, French carol, 17th cent.; melody from *Chansons populaires des Provinces de France*, 1860; harm. after *The English Hymnal*, 1906

Meter: 87. 87. 87



## 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.*

Final (Symphonie No.1)

Vierne

### Dr. J's Notes

William James Mathias CBE was a Welsh composer noted for his choral works. A child prodigy, he began piano at the age of 3 and began composing at the age of 5. A prolific composer, he was Professor of Music and Head of Department at the University of Wales from 1970-1985. Much of his music was written for the Anglican choral tradition. His most famous work - Let the people praise Thee, O God – was written for the July 1981 royal wedding of the Prince and Princess of Wales, which had a television audience of over a billion people worldwide.

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