

**CHURCH OF THE TRINITY
Coatesville
in the
Episcopal Diocese of Pennsylvania**

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seeking to grow and nourish
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"...so must the Son of Man be lifted up..."

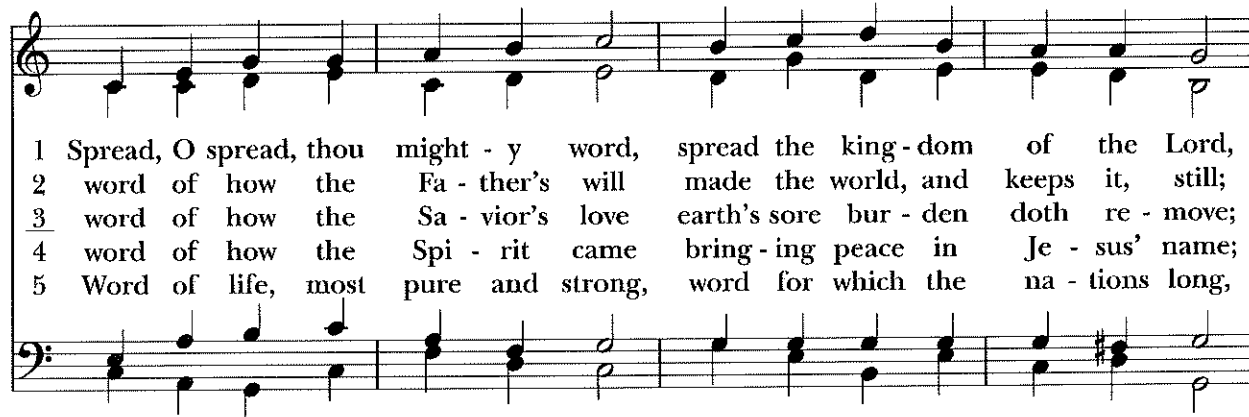
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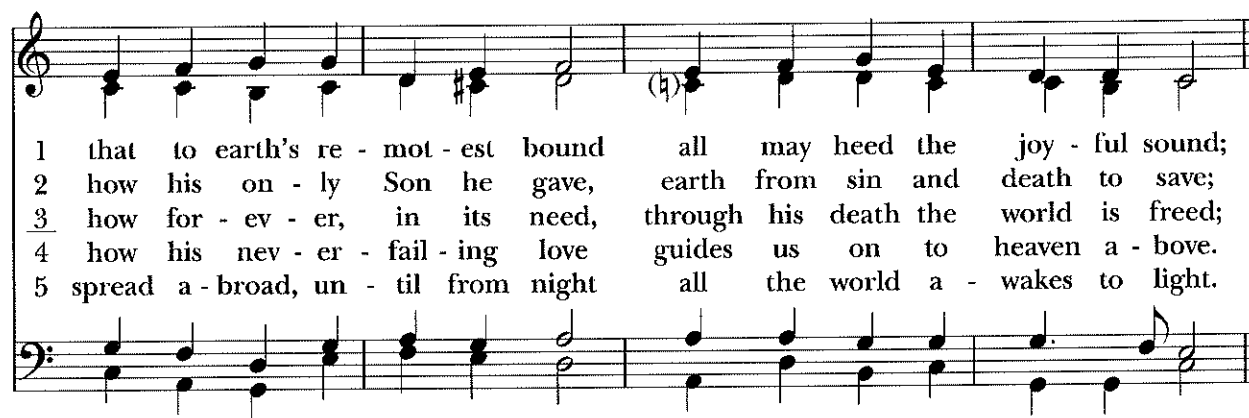
The Fourth Sunday in Lent

PRELUDE

ENTRANCE HYMN *Spread, O spread, thou mighty word (Gott sei Dank) (H 530)*



1 Spread, O spread, thou might - y word, spread the king - dom of the Lord,
2 word of how the Fa - ther's will made the world, and keeps it, still;
3 word of how the Sa - vior's love earth's sore bur - den doth re - move;
4 word of how the Spi - rit came bring - ing peace in Je - sus' name;
5 Word of life, most pure and strong, word for which the na - tions long,



1 that to earth's re - mot - est bound all may heed the joy - ful sound;
2 how his on - ly Son he gave, earth from sin and death to save;
3 how for - ev - er, in its need, through his death the world is freed;
4 how his nev - er - fail - ing love guides us on to heaven a - bove.
5 spread a - broad, un - til from night all the world a - wakes to light.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

The people standing, the Celebrant says

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People **His mercy endures for ever.**

COLLECT FOR PURITY

The Celebrant may say

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. *Amen.*

KYRIE OR TRISAGION *LEVAS 237 Lord, Have Mercy*

The following is sung, all standing

Lord, have — mer - cy, Christ, have — mer - cy.

Lord, have — mer - cy, have mer - cy, O Lord.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Let us pray.

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Lessons

FIRST READING: Numbers 21:4-9

The people sit.

A Reading from the book of Numbers.

⁴From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom; but the people became impatient on the way. ⁵The people spoke against God and against Moses, "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we detest this miserable food." ⁶Then the LORD sent poisonous serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many Israelites died. ⁷The people came to Moses and said, "We have sinned by speaking against the LORD and against you; pray to the LORD to take away the serpents from us." So Moses prayed for the people. ⁸And the LORD said to Moses, "Make a poisonous serpent, and set it on a pole; and everyone who is bitten shall look at it and live." ⁹So Moses made a serpent of bronze, and put it upon a pole; and whenever a serpent bit someone, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Silence may follow.

PSALM: Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22

Remain seated.

¹Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, *
and his mercy endures for ever.

²Let all those whom the LORD has redeemed proclaim *
that he redeemed them from the hand of the foe.

³He gathered them out of the lands; *
**from the east and from the west,
from the north and from the south.**

¹⁷Some were fools and took to rebellious ways; *
they were afflicted because of their sins.

¹⁸They abhorred all manner of food *
and drew near to death's door.

¹⁹Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble, *
and he delivered them from their distress.

²⁰He sent forth his word and healed them *
and saved them from the grave.

²¹Let them give thanks to the LORD for his mercy *
and the wonders he does for his children.

²²Let them offer a sacrifice of thanksgiving *
and tell of his acts with shouts of joy.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *Your kingdom come, O Lord* (MHSO 27)

The musical notation is written on two staves, a treble clef on top and a bass clef on the bottom. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is simple and repetitive, with the lyrics 'Your kingdom come, O Lord. Your kingdom come, O Lord. Your' written below the notes. The melody consists of quarter notes and half notes, with a final cadence on the word 'Your'.

king - dom come, O Lord. Your king - dom come, O Lord.

The image shows a musical score for two staves, treble and bass clef, in G major. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The lyrics are: 'king - dom come, O Lord. Your king - dom come, O Lord.'

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GOSPEL: John 3:14-21

All stand.

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

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

[Jesus said,] ¹⁴“Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

¹⁶“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

¹⁷“Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. ¹⁸Those who believe in him are not condemned; but those who do not believe are condemned already, because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God. ¹⁹And this is the judgment, that the light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil. ²⁰For all who do evil hate the light and do not come to the light, so that their deeds may not be exposed. ²¹But those who do what is true come to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have been done in God.”

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

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

THE SERMON BY THE REV. SHERRY DEETS

THE NICENE CREED

All rise as you are able.

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 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

Embraced by God's word, let us intercede for all those in need, saying: Have mercy, O Lord.

For the church, that our Lenten hunger may be for justice, and our thirst for deeds of justice, we pray: **Have mercy, O Lord.**

For the church, that all those to be baptized at Easter may see through the dazzling attractions of sin and rejoice only in God's marvelous gift, we pray: **Have mercy, O Lord.**

For the community of nations, that the worth of every life may compel us on the way to solidarity and peace, we pray: **Have mercy, O Lord.**

For exiles and refugees, that all who are homeless because of war or hunger, because of the greed or hatred of others, because of disabilities, may find places of rest and kindness, we pray: **Have mercy, O Lord.**

For those who struggle with addictions, that they may find strength and love for the simple gifts of God, we pray: **Have mercy, O Lord.**

For all who need hands to bear them up, for the naked and the outcast, for the sick and the dying, especially for those listed who are near to our hearts, and those we now name silently or out loud (*a period of silence*):

Zella Anderson, Violet Armstead, Angie Ashe, Bob Austin, Molly Baldwin, Marsha Barley, Marie Hyacinthe Bribal, Anthony Brogan, Walter Bryant, Carol, Carolyn, Lola Clarke, Betsy Comstock, Millie Connor, Didi, Dorothy, Andrea Dudley, Ellie, Charles Emmett, Morris Ferguson, Karen Fisher, Cassie Foreman, Kyla Foreman, Jacob Furlong, Esther Gaffney, Bianca Giannotti, Linda Graber, Samantha Griggs, Sam Haak, Lillian Hadler, Susan Hanft, Scott Hansberry, Esther Harvey, Charles Hawk, Matt Hess, Janice, Danyell Jackson, Jay, Jennifer Jenkins, Pete Jennings, Diane Kitson, Kelly Kurtz, Jodi Lancaster, Alison Lauren, John and Lindsay, Lisa, Lisa Kivett, Sye Lamar, Melanie Lifer, Olivia Lyons, Paige McClean, Kevin McGloob, Bob and Jennifer McNeil, Mia, Mickey, Brian Miller, Tracy Mulligan, Bruce Murray, Adam Nolt, Jessica Nupponen, Terry Oxenreider, Betty Peirce, Stan Pernsley, April Phillips, Ben Phillips, Antonia Planamento, Lynn Pullman, Arlene Purnsley, Michael Rayner, Jacob Rockoff, Thomas Rubinaccio, Dick Skonieczin, Shane, Thomas Shanley, Mary Shidlowski, Erma Sinsabaugh, Barb Smelter, Stephen Smelter, Robin Spicher, Colby Stackhouse, Debra Stackwicz, Stephanie, Linda Still, Sue, Becky Swaggart, Dihona Talton and children, Tom, Tom Wagner, Vicki Romberger, Norman Walters, Cyndi Walters, Isaac Warnick, Sally Warren, Paul Wayne, Mary Nell Weiss, Chanel Wiest, Brendan Willauer, Ruby Williams, Donna Zahorchak

and for all in need of your gift of abundant health, we pray: **Have mercy, O Lord.**

For all who protect and serve, as well as their families: the police, the firefighters, emergency medical personnel and those serving in the military, especially those listed who are near to our hearts and those we name silently or out loud (*a period of silence*):

Police: Lt Lori and Jeff Kistle, Marquis Costello

Military: PVT Austin Combs, PO2 Jason Combs, PO3 Andrew Combs, 1CPT Corey Combs, Skylar Dantzler, MAJ Alex Deets, Petty Officer William Dowling, 1st LT Frank Furman, Jr., J. Andrew Hinkle, PFC Shane McWilliams, MGSgt Troy Meacham, Sgt Kaleel Pernsley, Specialist Jason Sage, CPT Jeremy Smith, LCMDCR Michael Sracic MC, and MSgt Rewa Price

we pray: **Have mercy, O Lord.**

For those in our parish family celebrating birthdays this week: Esther Harvey, we pray: *Have mercy, O Lord.*

For this assembly, God's handiwork, that our steps be directed in ways of peace that lead us to the side of those the world despises, and that we name these rejected ones our brothers and sisters, we pray: *Have mercy, O Lord.*

In you, O God, do we put our trust. We entrust to you our dead, especially John Bradley Brewer, for whom the altar flowers are given, because you alone are our refuge and salvation. You alone are mighty to save. We pray: *Have mercy, O Lord.*

Silence

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

God, full of goodness and open to weakness, remember all whom we remember, and remind us of all whom we would forget. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

CONFESSION OF SIN

The Celebrant says

Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these." *Mark 12:29-31*

The Deacon or Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

The Priest stands and says

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. *Amen.*

THE PEACE

All stand.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

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

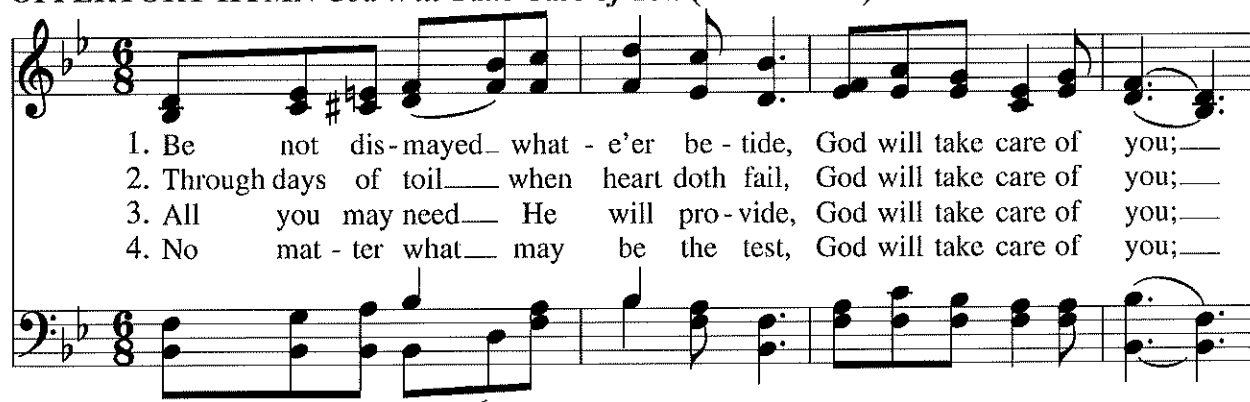
The Holy Communion

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

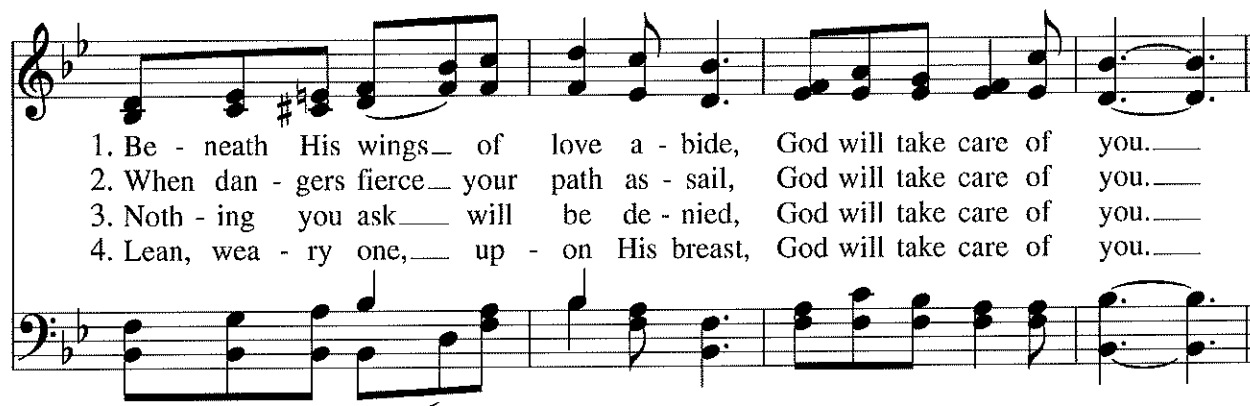
The Celebrant says

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

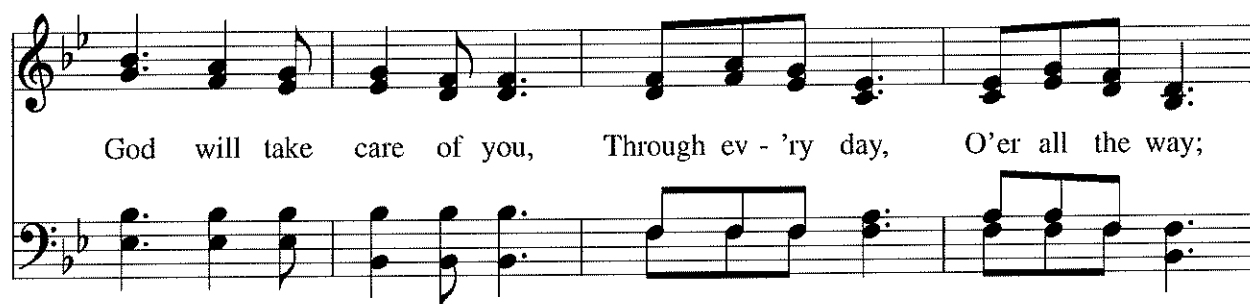
OFFERTORY HYMN *God Will Take Care of You* (LEVAS 183)



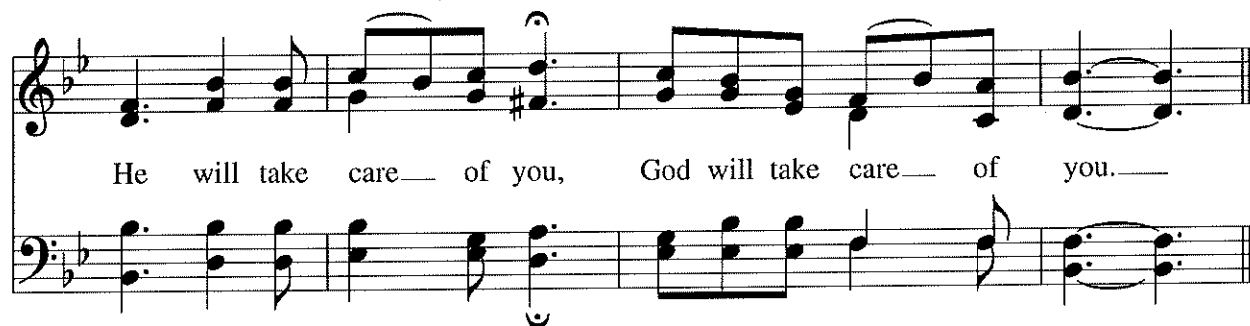
1. Be not dis-mayed_ what - e'er be - tide, God will take care of you;—
2. Through days of toil___ when heart doth fail, God will take care of you;—
3. All you may need___ He will pro-vide, God will take care of you;—
4. No mat - ter what___ may be the test, God will take care of you;—



1. Be - neath His wings___ of love a - bid, God will take care of you.____
2. When dan - gers fierce___ your path as - sail, God will take care of you.____
3. Noth - ing you ask___ will be de - nied, God will take care of you.____
4. Lean, wea - ry one,___ up - on His breast, God will take care of you.____



God will take care of you, Through ev - 'ry day, O'er all the way;



He will take care___ of you, God will take care___ of you.____

The Great Thanksgiving

The People remain standing.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also 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 our thanks and praise.
Celebrant It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing (say):

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Celebrant and People

***Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.***

The Celebrant continues

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said:

“Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

***Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.***

The Celebrant continues

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with Cyril, our patron saint, and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. *AMEN*

THE LORD'S PRAYER (LEVAS #264)

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now sing.

People and Celebrant

Our Father, which 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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

FRACTION ANTHEM

Be known to us Lord Jesus, in the breaking of the bread.

Be known to us Lord Jesus, in the breaking of the bread.

The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

COMMUNION HYMN *Amazing Grace* (LEVAS 181)

1. A - maz - ing grace!_ how sweet the sound, That
 2. 'Twas grace that taught_ my heart to fear, And
 3. The Lord has prom - ised good to me, His
 4. Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares, I
 5. When we've been there_ ten thou - sand years, Bright

1. saved a wretch like me!_____ I once was lost, but
 2. grace my fears re - lieved;_____ How pre - cious did that
 3. word my hope se - cures;_____ He will my shield and
 4. have al - read - y come;_____ 'Tis grace that brought me
 5. shin - ing as the sun,_____ We've no less days to

1. now am found, Was blind, but now_ I see._____
 2. grace ap - pear The hour I first_ be - lieved!_____
 3. por - tion be As long as life_ en - dures._____
 4. safe thus far, And grace will lead_ me home._____
 5. sing God's praise Than when we'd first_ be - gun._____

ANTHEM BY CHOIR

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

BLESSING

The Priest blesses the people, saying

Live without fear: your Creator has made you holy, has always protected you, and loves you as a mother. Go in peace to follow the good road and may God's blessing be with you always. *Amen.*

(source: from Saint Clare)

CLOSING HYMN *Guide me, O thou great Jehovah (Cwm Rhondda) (H 690)*

1 Guide me, O thou great Je - ho - vah, pil - grim through this
2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain, whence the heal - ing
3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious

bar - ren land; I am weak, but thou art might - y;
stream doth flow; let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar
fears sub - side; death of death, and hell's de - struc - tion,

hold me with thy power - ful hand; bread of hea - ven,
lead me all my jour - ney through; strong de - liv - erer,
land me safe on Ca - naan's side; songs of prais - es,

bread of hea - ven, feed me now and ev - er -
 strong de - liv - erer, be thou still my strength and
 songs of prais - es, I will ev - er give to

more, shield, feed me now and ev - er - more.
 thee, be thou still my strength and shield.
 I will ev - er give to thee.

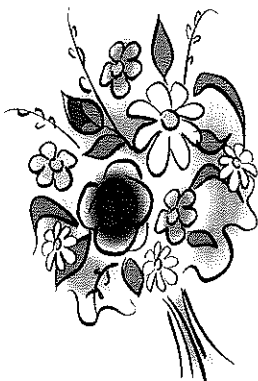
DISMISSAL

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

POSTLUDE

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TODAY
Annual Meeting after church in the Parish Hall



The flowers are placed on the altar to the Glory of God
and in Loving Memory of

John Bradley Brewer

by
Pam Smyth

Announcements:

Thursday, March 7th Healing Service at Noon via Zoom. Commemorating James Theodore Holly, Bishop of Haiti, and of the Dominican Republic, 1911

Brown Bag Bible Study, Monday, March 11th, from 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Homework: please read St. Paul's letter to the Romans for March 11.

Annual Meeting, Sunday, March 10 after the church service in Stone Hall.

Celtic Harp Concert – Sunday, March 17th at 3 p.m., Reception follows. Free will offering benefits Thistle Hills.

HOLY WEEK and EASTER 2024

March 24	The Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday	9:30 AM
	The Liturgy of the Palms; Dramatic reading of the Passion and the Holy Eucharist	
March 28	Maundy Thursday	7:00 PM
	Agape in Stone Hall	
	with The Washing of Feet (optional)	
	The Stripping of the Altar	
March 29	The Good Friday Liturgy	7:00 PM
March 31	Easter Sunday	9:30 AM

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