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THE DIVINE SERVICE

*The Third Sunday in Lent*

*March 8<sup>th</sup> in the year of our Lord 2026*

WELCOME!

To all of you who are loved by God and called to be saints,  
grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ!

Blessed be God the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

***And blessed be his kingdom now and forever!***

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# THE DIVINE SERVICE

Based on the 1662 and 1928 Liturgy for Holy Communion as found in the Reformed Episcopal Church Book of Common Prayer, 2005

## Fellowship & Preparation for Worship

### Prelude

### Opening Salutation, Acclamations & Welcome

To all of you who are loved by God and called to be saints,  
grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ!  
The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit: a broken and  
a contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not despise. *Psalms 51:17*

Blessed be God (+) the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. ***And blessed be his kingdom now and forever!***

### Call to Worship and Opening Praise

#### Psalm 134

OR SUS, SERVITEURS DU SEIGNEUR (L.M.)  
*Genevan Psalter*, 1551  
harm. Claude Goudimel, 1564; alt.

Lambertus J. Lamberts, 1928

1. Come, bless the LORD with one ac - cord,  
2. Lift up your hands, in prayer draw nigh  
3. The LORD now bless you from a - bove,

You faith - ful ser - vants of the LORD,  
Un - to His sanc - tu - ar - y high;  
From Zi - on in His bound - less love;

Who in His house do stand by night;  
O bless the LORD, kneel at His feet,  
Our God, who heav'n and earth did frame,

And praise Him there with all your might.  
And wor - ship Him with rev - 'rence meet.  
Blest be His great and ho - ly Name.

(+) This symbol denotes where it is customary for some Christians to make the sign of the cross during the liturgy

Minister: The Lord be with you  
Answer: **And with thy spirit**  
Minister: Let us pray

*[The congregation is invited to kneel or to be seated for prayer and the reading of the law]*

**The Collect for Purity**.....REC Book of Common Prayer page 85 ↓

ALMIGHTY God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid;  
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit,  
that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

**The Decalogue and Summary of the Law, with Congregational Prayers of Response**

**The Decalogue;** REC BCP page 86-87

GOD spake these words, and said: I am the LORD thy God [which have brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.] Thou shalt have no other gods before me.

***Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.***

THOU shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth; Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them:

for I the LORD thy God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children, unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me; and showing mercy unto thousands of them that love me and keep my commandments.

***Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.***

THOU shalt not take the Name of the LORD thy God in vain;

for the LORD will not hold him guiltless that taketh his Name in vain.

***Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.***

REMEMBER the Sabbath day to keep it holy. Six days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work; but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the LORD thy God: In it thou shalt not do any work;

thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy man-servant, nor thy maid-servant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates. For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day, and hallowed it.

***Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.***

HONOUR thy father and thy mother:

that thy days may be long upon the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee.

***Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.***

THOU shalt do no murder.

***Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.***

THOU shalt not commit adultery.

***Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.***

THOU shalt not steal.

***Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.***

THOU shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour.

***Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.***

THOU shalt not covet

thy neighbour's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's wife, nor his man-servant, nor his maid-servant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is thy neighbour's.

***Lord, have mercy upon us, and write all these thy laws in our hearts, we beseech thee.***

**Summary of the Law;** REC BCP page 87

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith. THOU shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

*Minister.* Let us pray. O ALMIGHTY Lord, and everlasting God, vouchsafe, we beseech thee, to direct, sanctify, and govern, both our hearts and bodies, in the ways of thy laws, and in the works of thy commandments; that, through thy most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

**The Collect of the Day**

**W**E beseech thee, Almighty God, look upon the hearty desires of thy humble servants, and stretch forth the right hand of thy Majesty, to be our defence against all our enemies; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

**The Old Testament Lesson** Deuteronomy 6: 1-9, 20-25 (KJV)



1 Now these are the commandments, the statutes, and the judgments, which the Lord your God commanded to teach you, that ye might do them in the land whither ye go to possess it: 2 That thou mightest fear the Lord thy God, to keep all his statutes and his commandments, which I command thee, thou, and thy son, and thy son's son, all the days of thy life; and that thy days may be prolonged. 3 Hear therefore, O Israel, and observe to do it; that it may be well with thee, and that ye may increase mightily, as the Lord God of thy fathers hath promised thee, in the land that floweth with milk and honey.

4 Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is one Lord: 5 And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might. 6 And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart: 7 And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up. 8 And thou shalt bind them for a sign upon thine hand, and they shall be as frontlets between thine eyes. 9 And thou shalt write them upon the posts of thy house, and on thy gates.

10 And it shall be, when the Lord thy God shall have brought thee into the land which he sware unto thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give thee great and goodly cities, which thou buildedst not, 11 And houses full of all good things, which thou filledst not, and wells digged, which thou diggedst not, vineyards and olive trees, which thou plantedst not; when thou shalt have eaten and be full; 12 Then beware lest thou forget the Lord, which brought thee forth out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage.

13 Thou shalt fear the Lord thy God, and serve him, and shalt swear by his name.

14 Ye shall not go after other gods, of the gods of the people which are round about you;

15 (For the Lord thy God is a jealous God among you) lest the anger of the Lord thy God be kindled against thee, and destroy thee from off the face of the earth.

16 Ye shall not tempt the Lord your God, as ye tempted him in Massah.

17 Ye shall diligently keep the commandments of the Lord your God, and his testimonies, and his statutes, which he hath commanded thee. 18 And thou shalt do that which is right and good in the sight of the Lord: that it may be well with thee, and that thou mayest go in and possess the good land which the Lord sware unto thy fathers. 19 To cast out all thine enemies from before thee, as the Lord hath spoken.

20 And when thy son asketh thee in time to come, saying, What mean the testimonies, and the statutes, and the judgments, which the Lord our God hath commanded you? 21 Then thou shalt say unto thy son, We were Pharaoh's bondmen in Egypt; and the Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand: 22 And the Lord shewed signs and wonders, great and sore, upon Egypt, upon Pharaoh, and upon all his household, before our eyes: 23 And he brought us out from thence, that he might bring us in, to give us the land which he sware unto our fathers.

24 And the Lord commanded us to do all these statutes, to fear the Lord our God, for our good always, that he might preserve us alive, as it is at this day. 25 And it shall be our righteousness, if we observe to do all these commandments before the Lord our God, as he hath commanded us.

*After each Lesson the minister shall say*  
Here endeth the First Lesson.

*Or he may say:* This is the Word of the Lord  
*People: Thanks be to God*

## The Psalm

Psalm 25. *Ad te, Domine, levavi.*

UNTO thee, O LORD, will I lift up my soul; my God, I have put my trust in thee: \* O let me not be confounded, neither let mine enemies triumph over me.

2 For all they that hope in thee shall not be ashamed; \* but such as transgress without a cause shall be put to confusion.

3 Show me thy ways, O LORD, \* and teach me thy paths.

4 Lead me forth in thy truth, and teach me: \* for thou art the God of my salvation; in thee hath been my hope all the day long.

5 Call to remembrance, O LORD, thy tender mercies, \* and thy loving-kindnesses, which have been ever of old.

6 O remember not the sins and offences of my youth; \* but according to thy mercy think thou upon me, O LORD, for thy goodness.

7 Gracious and righteous is the LORD; \* therefore, will he teach sinners in the way.

8 Them that are meek shall he guide in judgement; \* and such as are gentle, them shall he teach his way.

9 All the paths of the LORD are mercy and truth, \* unto such as keep his covenant and his testimonies.

10 For thy Name's sake, O LORD, \* be merciful unto my sin; for it is great.

11 What man is he that feareth the LORD? \* him shall he teach in the way that he shall choose.

12 His soul shall dwell at ease, \* and his seed shall inherit the land.

13 The secret of the LORD is among them that fear him; \* and he will show them his covenant.

14 Mine eyes are ever looking unto the LORD; \* for he shall pluck my feet out of the net.

15 Turn thee unto me, and have mercy upon me; \* for I am desolate, and in misery.

16 The sorrows of my heart are enlarged: \* O bring thou me out of my troubles.

17 Look upon mine adversity and misery, \* and forgive me all my sin.

18 Consider mine enemies, how many they are; \* and they bear a tyrannous hate against me.

19 O keep my soul, and deliver me: \* let me not be confounded, for I have put my trust in thee.

20 Let perfectness and righteous dealing wait upon me; \* for my hope hath been in thee.

21 Deliver Israel, O God, \* out of all his troubles.

*Minister: GLORY be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;*

*Congregation: As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.*

*[The congregation is invited to be seated]*

## The Epistle Lesson

### The Epistle. Ephesians 5:1-14

**B**E ye therefore followers of God, as dear children; and walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us, and hath given himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweet-smelling savour. But fornication, and all uncleanness, or covetousness, let it not be once named among you, as becometh saints; neither filthiness, nor foolish talking, nor jesting, which are not convenient: but rather giving of thanks. For this ye know, that no whoremonger, nor unclean person, nor covetous man, who is an idolater, hath any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and of God. Let no man deceive you with vain words: for because of these things cometh the wrath of God upon the children of disobedience. Be not ye therefore partakers with them. For ye were sometimes darkness, but now are ye light in the Lord: walk as children of light: (for the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness and righteousness and truth;) proving what is acceptable unto the Lord. And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them. For it is a shame even to speak of those things which are done of them in secret. But all things that are reprov'd are made manifest by the light: for whatsoever doth make manifest is light. Wherefore he saith, Awake thou that sleepest, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give thee light.

*After each Lesson the minister shall say*  
Here endeth the Second Lesson.

*Or he may say:* This is the Word of the Lord  
*People:* **Thanks be to God**

*[The congregation is invited to stand]*

## Hymn / Psalm

# Bless Now the Man Who Does Not Walk

## Psalm 1

WER NICHT SITZT IM GOTTLOSEN RAT (L.M.)  
Heinrich Schütz, 1661

Douglas Wilson, 2000

1. Bless now the man who does not walk  
2. His full de - light is in the law,  
3. *Plant - ed deep by the riv - er - side,*  
4. Not so the wick - ed, who will die.  
5. God knows the way of all His host,

In the ways of un - god - ly men,  
On ho - ly laws he med - i - tates.  
*This tree brings forth the sea - son's fruit.*  
They are like chaff which blows a - way  
The wick - ed die a god - less death.

Who does not stand in paths of sin  
All day and night he con - tem - plates  
*His leaf is nour - ished from the root;*  
And can - not stand on judg - ment day,  
Praise Him, praise Him, those who have breath,

And will not sit where mock - ers talk.  
And holds the truth in rev - erent awe.  
*Pros - per - i - ty is full and wide.*  
When He will lift the saints on high.  
Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

## The Gospel Reading (+ + +)

### *The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to ...*

*At the introduction to the Gospel reading it is customary for some people to make the sign of the cross on the forehead, lips and breast as a prayer and commitment that God's word will be on our minds, and on our lips and in our hearts.*

*In response to the announcement of the Gospel shall be said,*

***Glory be to thee, O Lord.***

#### **The Gospel.** St. Luke 11:14-28

**J**ESUS was casting out a devil, and it was dumb. And it came to pass, when the devil was gone out, the dumb spake; and the people wondered. But some of them said, He casteth out devils through Beelzebub the chief of the devils. And others, tempting him, sought of him a sign from heaven. But he, knowing their thoughts, said unto them, Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation; and a house divided against a house falleth. If Satan also be divided against himself, how shall his kingdom stand? because ye say that I cast out devils through Beelzebub. And if I by Beelzebub cast out devils, by whom do your sons cast them out? therefore shall they be your judges. But if I with the finger of God cast out devils, no doubt the kingdom of God is come upon you. When a strong man armed keepeth his palace, his goods are in peace: but when a stronger than he shall come upon him, and overcome him, he taketh from him all his armour wherein he trusted, and divideth his spoils. He that is not with me is against me: and he that gathereth not with me scattereth. When the unclean spirit is gone out of a man, he walketh through dry places, seeking rest; and finding none, he saith, I will return unto my house whence I came out. And when he cometh, he findeth it swept and garnished. Then goeth he, and taketh to him seven other spirits more wicked than himself; and they enter in, and dwell there: and the last state of that man is worse than the first. And it came to pass, as he spake these things, a certain woman of the company lifted up her voice, and said unto him, Blessed is the womb that bare thee, and the paps which thou hast sucked. But he said, Yea rather, blessed are they that hear the word of God, and keep it.

*And after the Gospel, the Minister shall say, The Gospel of the Lord, the people then responding, Praise be to thee, O Christ.*

**The Nicene Creed**.....Book of Common Prayer (REC) page 89

**I BELIEVE in one God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And of all things visible and invisible:  
And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,  
Begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of very God,  
Begotten, not made, Being of one substance with the Father, By whom all things were made:  
Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven,  
And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, And was made man,  
And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.  
He suffered and was buried, And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures,  
And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father.  
And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead;  
Whose kingdom shall have no end.  
And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord, and Giver of life,  
Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son\*, Who with the Father and the Son together is  
worshiped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets.  
And I believe one holy Catholic\*\* and Apostolic Church.  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins.  
And I look for the Resurrection (+) of the dead, and the Life of the world to come. Amen.**

**L**ET the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in thy sight, O LORD, my strength and my redeemer. *Amen.* *Psalm 19:14*

**The Sermon**

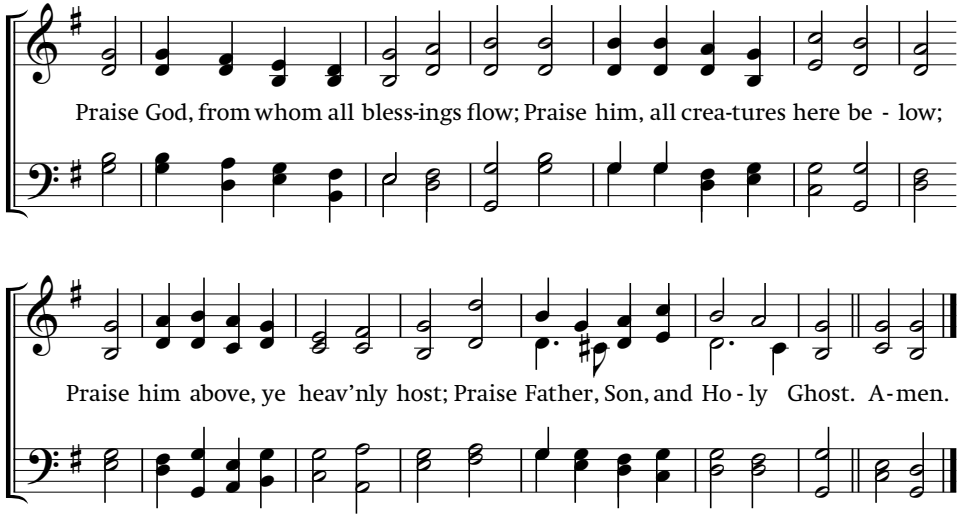
**Offertory Sentences** .....Book of Common Prayer (REC) page 90-92

To do good, and to distribute, forget not; for with such sacrifices God is well pleased. *Hebrews 13:16*

**Offertory Music, The Collection of the Offering and Communion Preparation**

**The Dedication of the Offering** .....Book of Common Prayer (REC) page 92  
*[The congregation is invited to stand]*

*Doxology - (Hymn 208)* ↑



Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here be - low;  
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

**An Invitation to the Lord's Table** .....Book of Common Prayer (REC) page 105

All who have been baptized into Christ are invited to the Lord's Table today.  
Before we partake, let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church.

• \*The Nicene Creed as written in the 4<sup>th</sup> century A.D. referred to the Holy Spirit as proceeding from the Father; and in the 6<sup>th</sup> century A.D. during the Arian controversy, the Latin/Western Church added the filioque clause (i.e. "and the Son") to support the doctrine of Christ's divinity. It is not the intent of the amended Creed to imply a dual origination of the Holy Spirit, but rather the participation of the Son in the ministry of the Holy Spirit.  
• \*\* The word "Catholic" in the creed means "universal".

*[The congregation is invited to kneel or to be seated for prayers.]*

**Intercessory Prayer for the Whole State of Christ's Church**.....BCP (REC) page 105-106



ALMIGHTY and everliving God, who by thy holy Apostle hast taught us to make prayers and supplications, and to give thanks for all men; We humbly beseech thee most mercifully to accept our [\*alms and ] oblations, and to receive these our prayers, which we offer unto thy Divine Majesty; beseeching thee to inspire continually the universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord: And grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love. We beseech thee also, so to direct and dispose the hearts of all Christian rulers, that they may truly and impartially administer justice, to the punishment of wickedness and vice, and to the maintenance of thy true religion, and virtue. Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all Bishops and other Ministers, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments. And to all thy People give thy heavenly grace; and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear, and receive thy holy Word; truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life. And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succour all those, who in this transitory life are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity -- And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear; beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service, and to give us grace so to follow their good examples, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom. Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. Amen.

**Invitation & Exhortation** .....Book of Common Prayer (REC) page 107

Ye who do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins,  
and are in love and charity with your neighbors, and intend to lead a new life,  
following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways;  
Draw near with faith, and take this holy Sacrament to your comfort;  
and make your humble confession to Almighty God, devoutly kneeling.

**A General Confession** .....Book of Common Prayer (REC) page 107



**ALMIGHTY God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men;  
We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we, from time to time,  
most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against thy Divine Majesty,  
provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us.  
We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings;  
The remembrance of them is grievous unto us; the burden of them is intolerable.  
Have mercy upon us, Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;  
For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past;  
and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life,  
to the honour and glory of thy Name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**Declaration of Forgiveness / Absolution** ....Book of Common Prayer (REC) page 108



Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised  
forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him;  
Have mercy upon you; pardon (+) and deliver you from all your sins;  
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**The Comfortable Words / Scriptural Assurance of Pardon**

Hear what comfortable words our Saviour Christ saith unto all who truly turn to him.

COME unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. (Mt 11:28)

So God loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that  
all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. (Jn 3:16)

Hear also what Saint Paul saith.

This is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. (1T 1:15)

Hear also what Saint John saith.

If any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the Propitiation for our sins. (1 Jn 2:1,2)

[The congregation is invited to stand]

**The Sursum Corda and Sanctus** .....Book of Common Prayer (REC) page 109 ↑

*Minister.* Lift up your hearts.  
*Congregation.* **We lift them up unto the Lord.**  
*Minister.* Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.  
*Congregation.* **It is meet and right so to do.**

*Then shall the Minister turn to the holy Table, and say,*

IT is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God;

THEREFORE with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying, --

**Sanctus**

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*unison*

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Lord God of hosts, heav'n and earth are  
full of thy glo - ry: glo - ry be to thee, O Lord Most High. A - men.

*[The congregation is invited to be seated (or may kneel), for the Communion prayers]*

**Communion Prayers** .....REC BCP page 111-113 ↓

ALL glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, ...

**The Lord's Prayer** And now, as our Savior Christ hath 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, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.*

**The Prayer of Humble Access** .....Book of Common Prayer (REC) page 114

WE do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy: Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. **Amen.**

1. The glo - ry of these for - ty days  
 2. A - lone and fast - ing, Mo - ses saw  
 3. So Dan - iel trained his mys - tic sight,  
 4. Then grant us, Lord, like them, to be  
 5. O Fa - ther, Son, and Spir - it blest,

We cel - e - brate with songs of praise;  
 The lov - ing God who gave the law;  
 De - liv - ered from the li - ons' might;  
 Full oft in fast and pray'r with thee;  
 To thee be ev - 'ry pray'r ad - dressed,

For Christ, by whom all things were made,  
 And to E - li - jah, fast - ing, came  
 And John, the Bride - groom's friend, be - came  
 Our spir - its strength - en with thy grace,  
 Who art in three - fold name a - dored,

Him - self has fast - ed and has prayed.  
 The steeds and char - i - ots of flame.  
 The her - ald of Mes - si - ah's name.  
 And give us joy to see thy face.  
 From age to age, the on - ly Lord. A - men.

Text: Latin, 6th century; tr. Maurice F. Bell

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Tune: Klug's *Geistliche Lieder*, 1543; based on plainsong; arr. J.S. Bach (1685-1750), alt.

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## The Distribution

*Communicants are invited to come forward to receive bread, and then to move to the communion rail to offer thanks unto God, consume the bread and then to receive wine from the chalice. Alternately, to receive the wine, you may dip the bread into the intinction cup found the middle of the bread tray.*

**Let us eat and drink in remembrance that Christ died for us,  
and feed on him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving.**

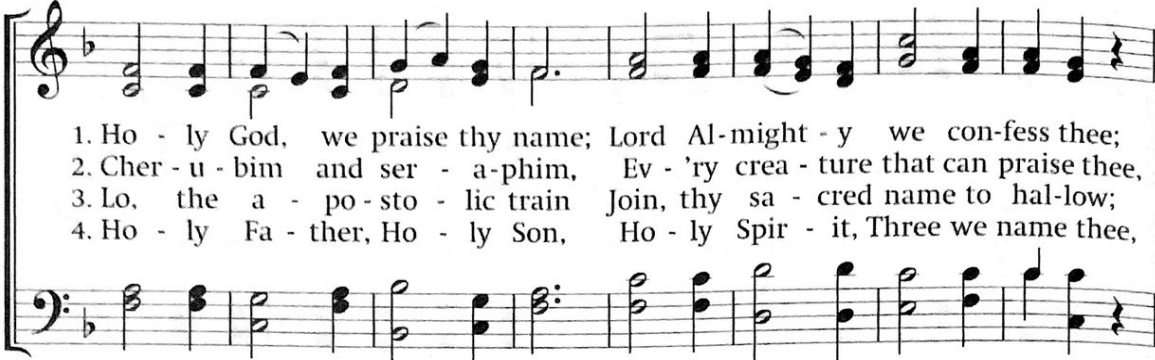
*THE Body of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was given for thee, preserve thy body and soul unto everlasting life.  
Take and eat this in remembrance that Christ died for thee, and feed on him in thy heart by faith with thanksgiving.  
THE Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was shed for thee, preserve thy body and soul unto everlasting life.  
Drink this in remembrance that Christ's Blood was shed for thee, and be thankful.*

## The Post-Communion Prayer .....Book of Common Prayer (REC) page 115

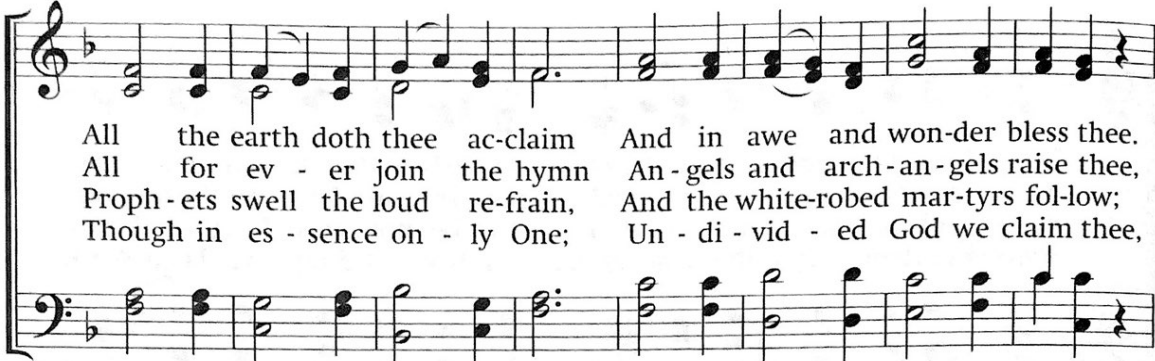
***ALMIGHTY and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee,  
for that thou dost vouchsafe to feed us, who have duly received these holy mysteries,  
with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ;  
and dost assure us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us;  
and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son,  
which is the blessed company of all faithful people;  
and are also heirs through hope of thine everlasting kingdom,  
by the merits of his most precious death and passion.  
And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace,  
that we may continue in that holy fellowship,  
and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost,  
be all honour and glory, world without end. Amen.***

*[The congregation is invited to stand]*

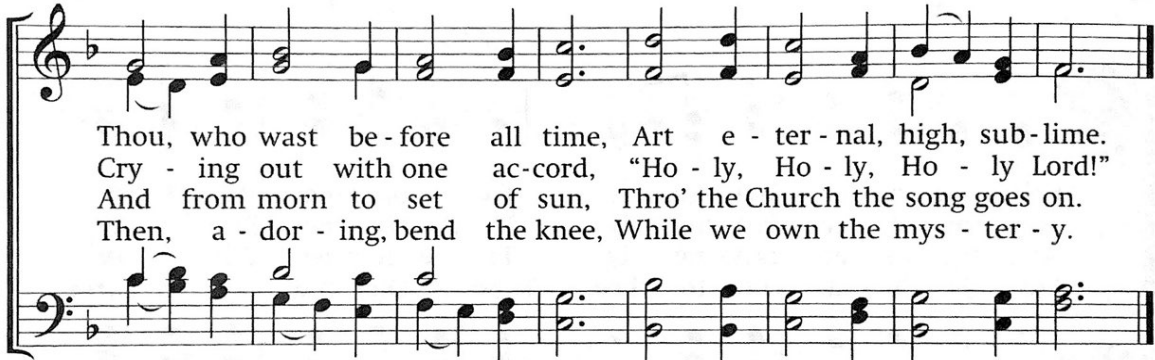
## Hymn of Praise



1. Ho - ly God, we praise thy name; Lord Al-might - y we con-fess thee;  
 2. Cher - u - bim and ser - a-phim, Ev - 'ry crea - ture that can praise thee,  
 3. Lo, the a - po - sto - lic train Join, thy sa - cred name to hal-low;  
 4. Ho - ly Fa - ther, Ho - ly Son, Ho - ly Spir - it, Three we name thee,



All the earth doth thee ac-claim And in awe and won-der bless thee.  
 All for ev - er join the hymn An-gels and arch-an-gels raise thee,  
 Proph-ets swell the loud re-frain, And the white-robed mar-tyr's fol-low;  
 Though in es - sence on - ly One; Un - di - vid - ed God we claim thee,



Thou, who wast be - fore all time, Art e - ter - nal, high, sub-lime.  
 Cry - ing out with one ac-cord, "Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord!"  
 And from morn to set of sun, Thro' the Church the song goes on.  
 Then, a - dor - ing, bend the knee, While we own the mys - ter - y.

5. Christ, thou art our glorious King,  
 Son of God enthroned in splendor;  
 But deliverance to bring,  
 Thou all honors didst surrender,  
 And wast of a virgin born  
 Humbly on that blessed morn.
6. Thou didst take the sting from death,  
 Son of God, as Savior given;  
 On the cross thy dying breath  
 Opened wide the realm of heaven.  
 In the glory of that land  
 Thou art set at God's right hand.

7. As our judge thou wilt appear,  
 Savior, who hast died to win us.  
 Help thy servants, drawing near.  
 Lord, renew our hearts within us.  
 Grant that with thy saints we may  
 Dwell in everlasting day.

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*(The congregation is invited to kneel for a blessing)*

**Blessing** The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: And the blessing of God Almighty, (+) the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. *Amen*

*(The congregation is invited to stand for the closing praise)*

**Closing Praise**

Hal - le - lu - yah! Praise to God the Fa - ther, Son,  
and Ho - ly Spi - rit. Glo - ry to You, O Lord,  
both now and for ev - er. Hal - le - lu - yah!

**Dismissal** - Let us go forth in the Name of Christ. **Thanks be to God!**

**Information and Announcements**

- We are glad you joined us today. Our Sanctuary space is reserved for worship and prayer, and we have restrooms, nursery and fellowship spaces available for your use in the activities building next door. Note that all children are invited to participate fully and reverently in our Service under the supervision of parents.
- **Join us for Sunday Services each week at 5pm, followed by fellowship and catechesis.**
- **Recommended Resources for church and theology studies:**
  - [www.ChristTheKingAnglican.net/catechesis.html](http://www.ChristTheKingAnglican.net/catechesis.html)
- **Recommended Resources for Daily Prayer & Devotions:**
  - **Morning & Evening Prayer Liturgy or Family Prayer Liturgies found in our Book of Common Prayer:** <https://rechurch.org/documents/BCPComplete.pdf>
  - **Audio Morning and Evening Prayer Podcast (BCP 1928)** – <https://tinurl.com/1928daily>
  - **Daily Devotionals from Fr. Randy Toms, based on BCP 1928 daily readings:** <https://stpaulsbr.org/devotionals/>
- **Service assignments and opportunities. (See below, and talk to a group leader to help)**
  - Men (young and old) – Building set-up & Security. Group leader: Andrew V.
    - Adjust locks, lights and HVAC; Set-up & take-down signage, baptismal font, book table, bulletin table, kneelers and processional cross; Protect women, children, each other and the sanctity of the Service, following the example of Christ (Jn 15:13; Jn 2:15; Rom 12)
  - Women & Children – Fellowship & Hospitality. Group leader: Carol V.
    - Set-up & clean-up fellowship room and nursery; fold and staple bulletins if needed; welcome members and guests.
  - Young Women / Girls – Alter Guild. Group leaders: Hannah & Sarah V.
    - Set-up & clean-up communion table; fill oil candles before service; set-up cross-stand.
- **Some worthy goals for our season of Lent:** 1) Be diligent in repenting of all known sins; 2) Practice the spiritual discipline of fasting throughout the 40 days of Lent (which don't include Sundays), forgoing a daily meal or two and/or abstaining from some luxury for the sake of improving your Christian commitments, prayers, almsgiving, self-discipline and/or bodily health. 3) Improve your prayer life by engaging in daily prayer, especially when fasting from a meal. (Consider using the BCP Daily Office or Family Prayers or some other resource for Prayer; 4) Be especially committed to gathering as the church each Sunday for worship & fellowship

• **Upcoming Bishop's Visit and Confirmations, May 3, 2026**

**Giving Opportunities**

1. Food contributions for Food Bank are collected at church each Sunday
2. Tax deductible contribution checks for Christ the King Anglican Fellowship can be written to "REC 100" with "Christ the King Covington" in the memo line, and placed in the offering plate or sent to REC100 c/o Church of the Holy Communion, 17405 Muirfield Dr. Dallas, TX 75287; or you can give online by following links on our website.

## **ABOUT THE REFORMED EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

Built upon the foundation of the authoritative Word of God, the Holy Scriptures, the Reformed Episcopal Church sets her highest priority on biblical WORSHIP and declares her commitment to the work of EVANGELISM, the bold and unadulterated proclamation of salvation by grace through faith in the Lord Jesus Christ (Acts 8:4). In keeping the faith once delivered to the saints, the Reformed Episcopal Church, however, does not believe evangelism to be the end, but rather the beginning of her divinely given vocation. In addition to being evangelical, she is deeply committed to DISCIPLESHIP, the work of training evangelized men and women in Christian living (St. Matthew 28:20). When the Gospel is truly proclaimed and the mercies of God are made known, redeemed men and women must be led to offer their bodies as a living sacrifice, which is their spiritual service (Romans 12:1). Thus, the Reformed Episcopal Church understands the Christian life to be necessarily corporate. The Gospel call of salvation is not only to a savior, but also to a visible COMMUNION (I Cor.12:27) which, being indwelt by Christ's Spirit, transcends both temporal and geographic bounds. Therefore, the Reformed Episcopal Church is CREEDAL, following the historic catholic faith as it was confessed by the early undivided Church in the Apostles' (A.D. 150), Nicene (A.D. 325) and Athanasian Creeds (circa. A.D. 401); SACRAMENTAL, practicing the divinely ordained sacraments of Baptism and the Lord's Supper; LITURGICAL, using the historic Book of Common Prayer; and EPISCOPAL, finding unity with the Church of the earliest Christian eras through submission to the government of godly bishops. In this fashion, by embracing the broad base of doctrine and practice inherent in apostolic Christianity received by the Church of the English Reformation and expressed in the Thirty-Nine Articles of Religion, the Reformed Episcopal Church has a foundation for effective ministry in the name of Christ to a world which is lost and dying without Him.

### **REC Authorities, Declarations, Affirmations and Resolutions**

The Reformed Episcopal Church holds the Faith as once delivered to the saints, and as transmitted through the Church of England, especially as articulated in her Reformation heritage, the range of her Anglican divines, and as deposited in the founding principles of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America. Furthermore, this Church receives Holy Scripture as the Word of God. We affirm the three [ancient creeds](#), commonly known as the Nicene, Apostles' and Creed of Athanasius, the dogmatic definitions of the first four ecumenical councils of the undivided church and [The Thirty-nine Articles of Religion](#) in their 1801 form. Beginning with the [Declaration of Principles](#) at the time of her founding (1873), this Church has adopted several doctrinal declarations and affirmations which are consistent with the above authorities, including the [Chicago-Lambeth Quadrilateral](#) (1888), Anglican Belief & Practice (2002), The Jerusalem Declaration (2008) and the Anglican Church in North America Theological Statement (2008). Furthermore, in the midst of ongoing culture wars, the REC has adopted important resolutions articulating faithful and biblical positions on [Sexual Ethics, the Sanctity of Human Life and Gender Distinctions](#).

To learn more about the REC, see [www.rechurch.org](http://www.rechurch.org)



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