

# St. Peter's Anglican Church Loveland, CO

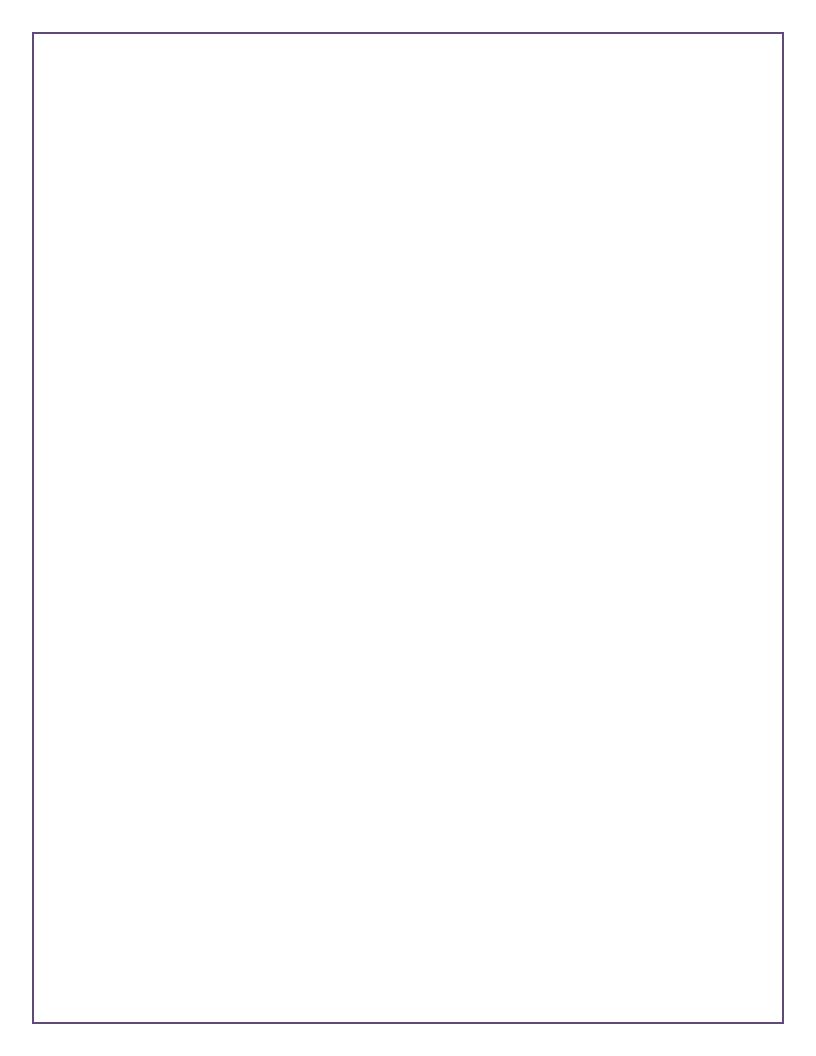
# **HOLY EUCHARIST**

2nd Sunday in Lent

# WELCOME IN THE NAME OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST



March 5, 2023



#### Announcements

# Processional: The God of Abraham Praise - H # 401

The God of Abraham praise,

Who reigns enthroned above;

Ancient of everlasting days, and God of love;

The Lord, the great I AM,

By earth and heaven confessed:

We bow and bless the sacred Name for ever blest.

He by himself hath sworn:

We on his oath depend;

We shall, on eagle-wings upborne, to heaven ascend:

We shall behold his face,

We shall his power adore,

And sing the wonders of his grace for evermore.

There dwells the Lord, our King,

The Lord, our Righteousness,

Triumphant o'er the world and sin, the Prince of Peace;

On Zion's sacred height

His kingdom he maintains,

And, glorious with his saints in light, for ever reigns.

The God who reigns on high

The great archangels sing,

And "Holy, holy," cry, "Almighty King!

Who was, and is, the same,

And evermore shall be:

Eternal Father, great I AM, we worship thee."

The whole triumphant host

give thanks to God on high;

"Hail, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!" they ever cry;

Hail, Abraham's Lord divine!

With heaven our songs we raise;

All might and majesty are thine, and endless praise.

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People: His mercy endures for ever.

All: 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.

#### The Decalogue

(The responses of the people will be sung. Please consult the service music bulletin.)

Celebrant: God spoke these words and said: I am the

Lord your God. You shall have no other

gods but me.

People: Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our

hearts to keep this law.

Celebrant: You shall not make for yourself any idol.

People: Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our

hearts to keep this law.

Celebrant: You shall not take the Name of the Lord

your God in vain.

People: Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our

hearts to keep this law.

*Celebrant:* Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.

People: Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our

hearts to keep this law.

Celebrant: Honor your father and your mother.

People: Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our

hearts to keep this law.

Celebrant: You shall not murder.

People: Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our

hearts to keep this law.

Celebrant: You shall not commit adultery.

People: Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our

hearts to keep this law.

Celebrant: You shall not steal.

People: Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our

hearts to keep this law.

Celebrant: You shall not bear false witness against

your neighbor.

People: Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our

hearts to keep this law.

Celebrant: You shall not covet.

People: Lord, have mercy upon us, and write all

these thy laws in our hearts, we beseech thee.

Exodus 20:1-17; Deuteronomy 5:6-21

# The Kyrie - Kyrie Eleison, ninefold (#753)

(Please consult the service music bulletin.)

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

Celebrant: Let us pray:

# Collect for the Day

Celebrant: Almighty God, you know that we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves: Keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls, that we may be defended from all adversities that may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**.

(The people may sit.)

# The First Lesson: Genesis 12:1-9

1 Now the Lord said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. 2 And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. 3 I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonors you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed." 4 So Abram went, as the Lord had told him, and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran. 5 And Abram took Sarai his wife, and Lot his brother's son, and all their possessions that they had gathered, and the people that they had acquired in Haran, and they set out to go to the land of Canaan. When they came to the land of Canaan, 6 Abram passed through the land to the place at Shechem, to the oak of Moreh. At that time the Canaanites were in the land. 7 Then the Lord appeared to Abram and said, "To your offspring I will give this land." So he built there an altar to the Lord, who had appeared to him. 8 From there he moved to the hill country on the east of Bethel and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east. And there he built an altar to the Lord and called upon the name of the Lord. 9 And Abram journeyed on, still going toward the Negeb.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

#### The Psalm 121



- 1 I lift up my eyes to the / hills;\* from where is / my help to come?
- 2 My help comes from the / LORD,\* the maker of hea-/ ven and earth.
- 3 He will not let your / foot be moved\* and he who watches over you will / not fall asleep.
- 4 Behold, he who keeps watch over / Israel\* shall neither slum/ ber nor sleep;
- 5 The LORD himself watches / over you;\* the LORD is your shade / at your right hand.
- 6 So that the sun shall not strike you by / day,\* nor / the moon by night.
- 7 The LORD shall preserve you from all / evil;\* it is he who / shall keep you safe.
- 8 The LORD shall watch over your going out and your / coming in,\*

from this time forth / for evermore.

All: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, And to the / Holy Ghost As it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be forey-/er. Amen.

# The Second Lesson: Romans 4:1-17

1 What then shall we say was gained by Abraham, our forefather according to the flesh? 2 For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. 3 For what does the Scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was counted to him as righteousness." 4 Now to the one who works, his wages are not counted as a gift but as his due. 5 And to the one who does not work but believes in him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is counted as righteousness, 6 just as David also speaks of the blessing of the one to whom God counts righteousness apart from works: 7 "Blessed are those whose lawless deeds are forgiven, and whose sins are covered; 8 blessed is the man against whom the Lord will not count his sin." 9 Is this blessing then only for the circumcised, or also for the uncircumcised? For we say that faith was counted to Abraham as righteousness. 10 How then was it counted to him? Was it before or after he had been circumcised? It was not after, but before he was circumcised, 11 He received the sign of circumcision as a seal of the righteousness that he had by faith while he was still uncircumcised. The purpose was to make him the father of all who

believe without being circumcised, SO that righteousness would be counted to them as well, 12 and to make him the father of the circumcised who are not merely circumcised but who also walk in the footsteps of the faith that our father Abraham had before he was circumcised. 13 For the promise to Abraham and his offspring that he would be heir of the world did not come through the law but through the righteousness of faith. 14 For if it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. 15 For the law brings wrath, but where there is no law there is no transgression. 16 That is why it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his offspring-not only to the adherent of the law but also to the one who shares the faith of Abraham, who is the father of us all, 17 as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations"-in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

(Please stand as you are able.)

# Kind Maker of the World – Hymn # 152 (V. 1-3)

Kind Maker of the world, O hear The fervent prayer, with many a tear Poured forth by all the penitent Who keep this holy fast of Lent!

Each heart is manifest to thee; Thou knowest our infirmity; Now we repent, and seek thy face; Grant unto us thy pardoning grace.

Spare us, O Lord, who now confess Our sins and all our wickedness, And, for the glory of thy Name, Our weakened souls to health reclaim.

Deacon or Priest: The Holy Gospel of our Lord, Jesus Christ according to Saint Matthew.

All: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

# The Holy Gospel: John 3:1-16

1 Now there was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. 2 This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God, for no one can do these signs that you do unless God is with him." 3 Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is

born again he cannot see the kingdom of God." 4 Nicodemus said to him, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?" 5 Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. 6 That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. 7 Do not marvel that I said to you, 'You must be born again.' 8 The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear its sound, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." 9 Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" 10 Jesus answered him, "Are you the teacher of Israel and yet you do not understand these things? 11 Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen, but you do not receive our testimony. 12 If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you heavenly things? 13 No one has ascended into heaven except he who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. 14 And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, 15 that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. 16 "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

Deacon or Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

# Kind Maker of the World – Hymn # 152 (V. 4-5)

Give us the discipline that springs From abstinence in outward things With inward fasting, so that we In heart and soul may dwell with thee.

Grant, O thou blessèd Trinity; Grant, O unchanging Unity; That this our fast of forty days May work our profit and thy praise!

#### The Sermon

Deacon or Priest: Let us confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed.

All: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, visible and invisible.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the onlybegotten 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, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. *Amen*.

(Please kneel, stand, or sit as you are able.)

# Prayers of the People

Deacon or Priest: Let us pray for the Church and for the world, saying, "hear our prayer."

Intercessor: Almighty and everliving God, we are taught by your holy Word to offer prayers and supplications and to give thanks for all people. We humbly ask you mercifully to receive our prayers. Inspire continually the universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all who confess your holy Name may agree in the truth of your holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

(Please offer your prayers, either out loud or silently.)
Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy:

# People: Hear our prayer.

Intercessor: We pray that you will lead the nations of the world in the way of righteousness; and so guide and direct their leaders, especially our President Joseph and our Governor Jared, that your people may enjoy the blessings of freedom and peace. Grant that our leaders may impartially administer justice, uphold integrity and truth, restrain wickedness and vice, and protect true religion and virtue. (Please offer your prayers, either out loud or silently.) Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy:

# People: Hear our prayer.

Intercessor: Give grace, heavenly Father, to all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, and especially to your servants: our Archbishop, Dr. Foley Beach; our Bishop, Dr. Bill Atwood; our Rector, Father Matt Rucker, and our assisting clergy: Father Bill Easterling, and Deacon Larry Doyle. that by their life and teaching, they may proclaim your true and life-giving Word, and rightly and duly administer your holy Sacraments. And to all your people give your heavenly grace, especially to this Congregation, that with reverent and obedient hearts we may hear and receive your holy Word, and serve you in holiness and righteousness all the days of our lives.

(Please offer your prayers, either out loud or silently.) Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy:

# People: Hear our prayer.

*Intercessor*: Prosper, we pray, all those who proclaim the Gospel of your kingdom throughout the world, and strengthen us to fulfill your great commission, making disciples of all nations, baptizing them and teaching them to obey all that you have commanded.

(Please offer your prayers, either out loud or silently.) Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy:

# People: Hear our prayer.

*Intercessor*: We ask you in your goodness, O Lord, to comfort and sustain all who in this transitory life are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

(Please offer your prayers, either out loud or silently.) Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy:

# People: Hear our prayer.

*Intercessor*: We remember before you all your servants who have departed this life in your faith and fear, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we ask you to give us grace to follow the good examples of all your saints, that we may share with them in your heavenly kingdom.

(Please offer your prayers, either out loud or silently.) Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy:

#### People: Hear our prayer.

*Intercessor*: For all the blessings of this life and for the many reasons we have to give thanks, especially for those celebrating *Birthdays*: Lynda Stoops (03/01), Douglas Hutchinson (03/02), Libby McKamie (03/02),

& Barbara Walker (03/04), Augustine Forwood (03/07), Joseph Guyor (03/10), & Philip Fisher (03/11). (Please offer your prayers, either out loud or silently.) Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy:

People: Hear our prayer.

(Additional petitions may be made during this moment of silence.)

Deacon or Priest: Heavenly Father, grant these our prayers for the sake of Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

Deacon or Priest: Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

All: Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker and judge of us all: We acknowledge and lament our many sins and offenses, which we have committed by thought, word, and deed against your divine majesty, provoking most justly your righteous anger against us. We are deeply sorry for these our transgressions; the burden of them is more than we can bear. Have mercy upon us, Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may evermore serve and please you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Celebrant: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to 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.

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him:

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

Matthew 11:28

God so loved the world, that he gave his onlybegotten Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. *John 3:16* 

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

I Timothy 1:15

If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world.

I John 2:1-2

(Please stand as you are able.)

#### The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: And with your spirit.

# The Offering

"Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God". Ephesians 5:2

(Please stand as you are able.)

# Offertory: My Song is Love Unknown – Hymn # 458

My song is love unknown,
My Savior's love to me,
Love to the loveless shown
That they might lovely be.
O who am I, that for my sake
My Lord should take frail flesh, and die?

Sometimes they strew his way, And his strong praises sing, Resounding all the day Hosannas to their King. Then "Crucify!" is all their breath, And for his death they thirst and cry.

Why, what hath my Lord done?
What makes this rage and spite?
He made the lame to run,
He gave the blind their sight.
Sweet injuries! Ye they at these
Themselves displease, and 'gainst him rise.

In life no house, no home
My Lord on earth might have;
In death no friendly tomb
But what a stranger gave.
What may I say? Heaven was his home;
But mine the tomb wherein he lay.

Here might I stay and sing, No story so divine; Never was love, dear King! Never was grief like thine. This is my friend, in whose sweet praise I all my days could gladly spend. *Celebrant:* Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for everything in heaven and on earth is yours; yours is the Kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as Head above all. All things come from you, O Lord,

# People: And of your own have we given you.

1 Chronicles 29:11, 14

# The Great Thanksgiving

*Celebrant*: The Lord be with you. **People:** And with your spirit.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

**People:** We lift them up to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord Our God. **People:** It is right to give him thanks and praise.

*Celebrant*: It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

(*Proper Preface*) You bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you.

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:

# Sanctus with Benedictus (#756)

(Please consult the service music bulletin.)

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of hosts, Heav'n and earth are full of thy glory: Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

(*The people may kneel, stand, or sit.*)

Celebrant: All praise and glory is yours, O God our heavenly Father, for in your tender mercy, you gave your only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption. He made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and he instituted, and in his Holy Gospel commanded us to continue, a perpetual memory of his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

So now, O merciful Father, in your great goodness, we ask you to bless and sanctify, with your Word and Holy Spirit, these gifts of bread and wine, that we, receiving them according to your Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

For on the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body, which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for 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 in remembrance of me."

Therefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of your dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we your humble servants celebrate and make here before your divine Majesty, with these holy gifts, the memorial your Son commanded us to make; remembering his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and his promise to come again.

And we earnestly desire your fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this, our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; asking you to grant that, by the merits and death of your Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his Blood, we and your whole Church may obtain forgiveness of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present to you, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice. We humbly pray that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ, be filled with your grace and heavenly benediction, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, because of our many sins, to offer you any sacrifice, yet we ask you to accept this duty and service we owe, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *Amen*.

*Celebrant*: And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

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, forever and ever. Amen.

*Celebrant*: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us. *People*: Therefore, let us keep the feast.

(Please kneel or stand as you are able.)

# **Prayer of Humble Access**

All: We do not presume to come to this your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table; but you are the same Lord whose character is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your 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.

#### Agnus Dei (#758)

(Please consult the service music bulletin.)

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, Have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, Have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, Grant us thy peace.

*Celebrant*: The gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

(You may kneel, stand, or sit during Communion.)

#### Communion Hymns

# Wilt Thou Forgive That Sin – Hymn # 140

Wilt thou forgive that sin, where I begun, Which is my sin, though it were done before? Wilt thou forgive those sins through which I run, And do run still, though still I do deplore? When thou hast done, thou hast not done, For I have more.

Wilt thou forgive that sin, by which I won Others to sin, and made my sin their door? Wilt thou forgive that sin which I did shun A year or two, but wallowed in a score? When thou hast done, thou hast not done, For I have more.

I have a sin of fear that when I've spun My last thread, I shall perish on the shore; Swear by thyself, that at my death thy Son Shall shine as he shines now, and heretofore. And having done that, thou hast done, I fear no more.

# Lord Jesus Christ

Lord Jesus Christ, the only son of the Father For the joy before Him endured the cross. Jesus Christ, Son of God You redeemed all our shame Let us live in the light of Your cross.

# Son of God and Son of Man

At the tree of Adam's sin, We have broken our communion. Pain and death have entered in; All are born with bodies broken. Who could break the pow'r of sin? Son of God and Son of Man.

At the tree where Jesus died, We have gained from him salvation. Adam's debt is satisfied; All are healed by Jesus' passion. Who could bear all hell's demand? Son of God and Son of Man.

At the tree of endless life,
We will sing in celebration!
He will end all pain and strife;
'Round the throne we all will bless Him.
He who died now lives again!
Son of God and Son of Man.

# When I Survey the Wondrous Cross - Hymn # 474

When I survey the wondrous cross Where the young Prince of glory died, My richest gain I count but loss, And pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, Save in the cross of Christ, my God: All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to his blood.

See from his head, his hands, his feet Sorrow and love flow mingled down! Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine, That were an offering far too small; Love so amazing, so divine, Demands my soul, my life, my all.

# Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant: Let us pray.

All: Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us, through this Sacrament, of your favor and goodness towards us: that we are true members of the mystical body of your Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of your everlasting kingdom. And we humbly ask you, heavenly Father, to assist us with your grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all the good works that you have prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

# The Blessing

Celebrant: The peace of God, which passes 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 Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen**.

# Recessional: Now Let Us All with One Accord - Hymn # 147

Now let us all with one accord, In company with ages past, Keep vigil with our heavenly Lord In his temptation and his fast.

The covenant, so long revealed To those of faith in former time, Christ by his own example sealed, The Lord of love, in love sublime.

Your love, O Lord, our sinful race Has not returned, but falsified; Author of mercy, turn your face And grant repentance for our pride.

Remember, Lord, though frail we be, In your own image were we made; Help us, lest in anxiety, We cause your Name to be betrayed.

Therefore, we pray you, Lord, forgive; So when our wanderings here shall cease, We may with you for ever live, In love and unity and peace.

#### The Dismissal

Deacon or Priest: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People: Thanks be to God.

