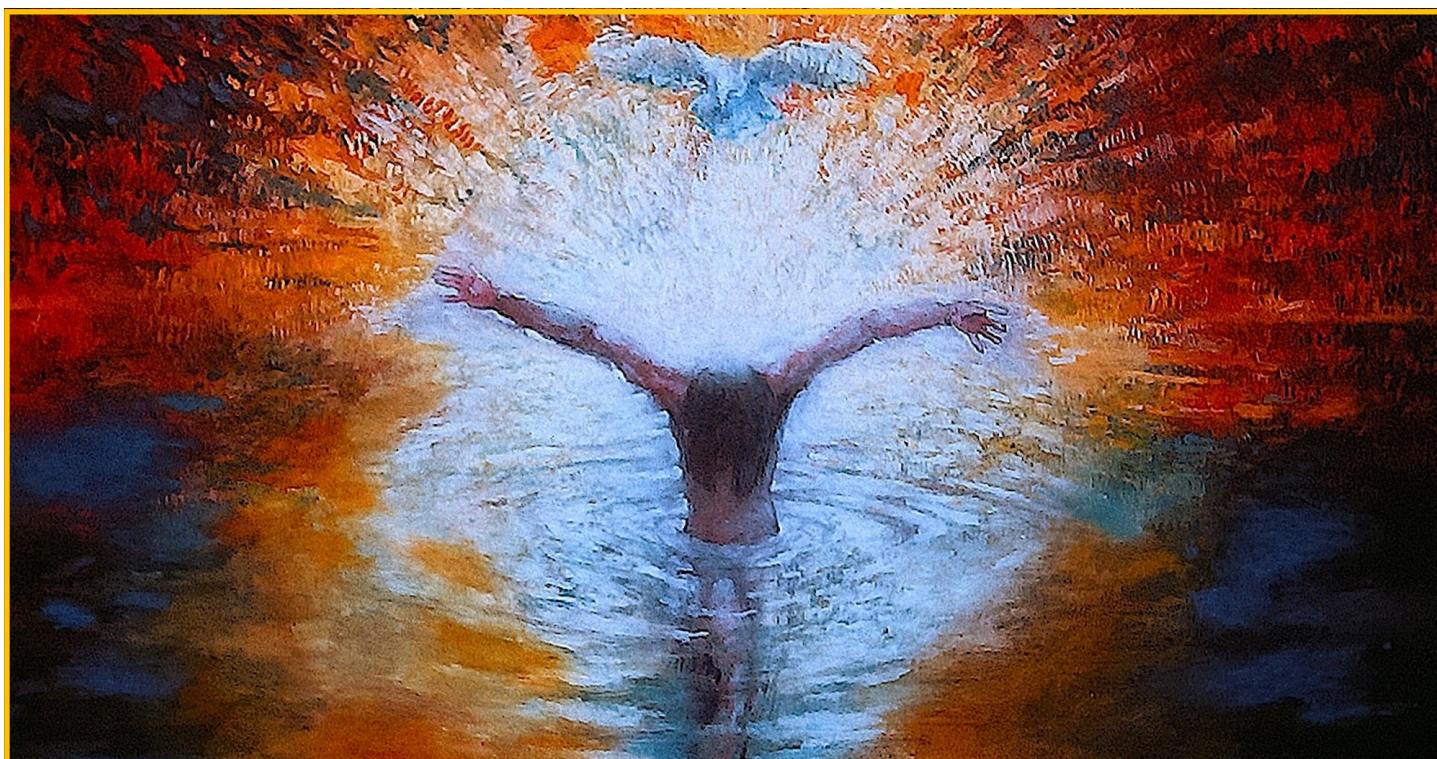


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THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD



SUNDAY, JANUARY 7, 2024 10:00 AM

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THE WORD OF GOD

All stand.

ENTRANCE HYMN

Songs of Thankfulness and Praise

Salzburg



1 Songs of thank-ful - ness and praise, Jes - us, Lord, to thee we raise,
 2 Man - i - fest at Jor - dan's stream, Pro-phet, Priest, and King su - preme;
 3 Man - i - fest in mak - ing whole pal - sied limbs and faint - ing soul;
 4 Man - i - fest on moun - tain height, shin - ing in re - splen-dent light,

man - i - fest - ed by the star to the sa - ges from a - far;
 and at Ca - na, wed - ding-guest, in thy God-head man - i - fest;
 man - i - fest in val - iant fight, quell - ing all the dev - il's might;
 where dis - ci - ples filled with awe thy trans - fi - gured glo - ry saw.

branch of roy - al Da - vid's stem in thy birth at Beth - le - hem;
 man - i - fest in power di - vine, chang - ing wa - ter in - to wine;
 man - i - fest in gra - cious will, ev - er bring - ing good from ill;
 When from there thou led - dest them stead - fast to Je - ru - sa - lem,

an - thems be to thee ad-dressed, God in man made man-i - fest.
 an - thems be to thee ad-dressed, God in man made man-i - fest.
 an - thems be to thee ad-dressed, God in man made man-i - fest.
 cross and Eas - ter Day at - test God in man made man-i - fest.

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OPENING ACCLAMATION

The people standing, the Celebrant says

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

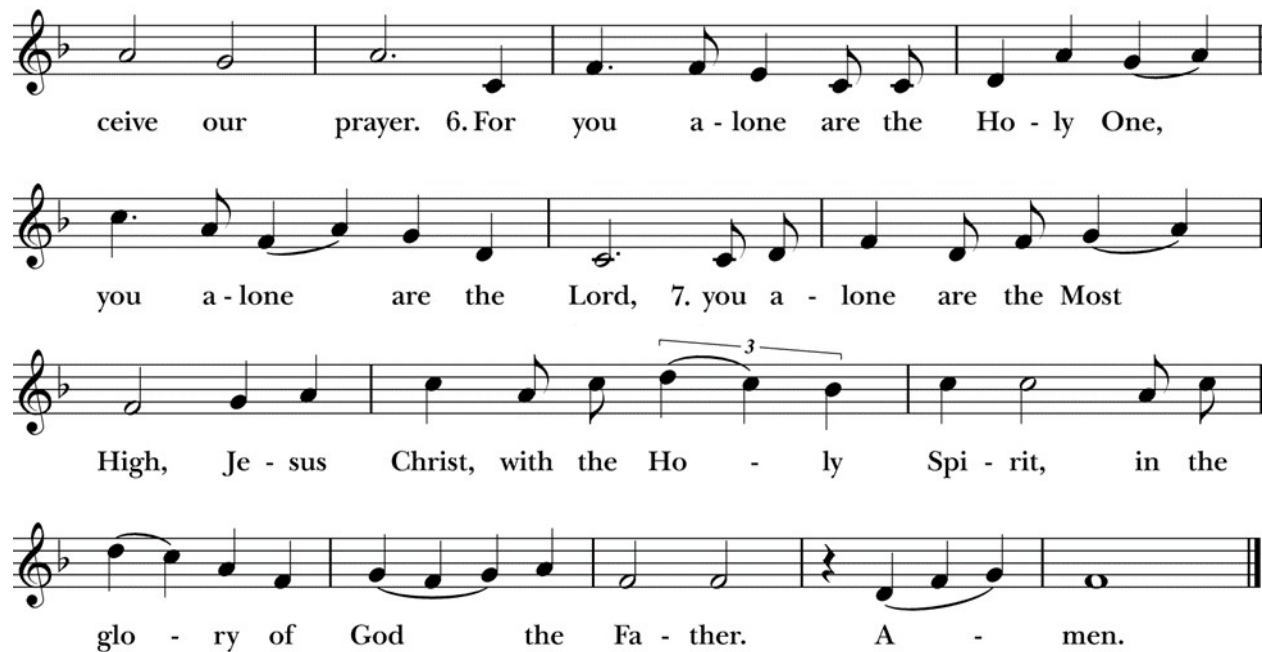
COLLECT FOR PURITY

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.*

GLORIA

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - mighty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -



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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

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

THE LESSONS

The people sit.

FIRST READING

Genesis 1:1-5

Reader A reading from the book of Genesis.

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

- ¹Ascribe to the LORD, you gods, *
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.
- ²Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his Name; *
worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.
- ³The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders; *
the LORD is upon the mighty waters.
- ⁴The voice of the LORD is a powerful voice; *
the voice of the LORD is a voice of splendor.
- ⁵The voice of the LORD breaks the cedar trees; *
the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon;
- ⁶He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, *
and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.
- ⁷The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire; the voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness; *
the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.
- ⁸The voice of the LORD makes the oak trees writhe *
and strips the forests bare.
- ⁹And in the temple of the LORD *
all are crying, "Glory!"
- ¹⁰The LORD sits enthroned above the flood; *
the LORD sits enthroned as King forevermore.
- ¹¹The LORD shall give strength to his people; *
the LORD shall give his people the blessing of peace.

SECOND READING

Acts 19:1-7

Reader A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

While Apollos was in Corinth, Paul passed through the interior regions and came to Ephesus, where he found some disciples. He said to them, "Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you became believers?" They replied, "No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit." Then he said, "Into what then were you baptized?" They answered, "Into John's baptism." Paul said, "John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is, in Jesus." On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. When Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke in tongues and prophesied—altogether there were about twelve of them.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

All stand.

1 Christ, when for us you were bap-tized, God's Spi-rit on you came,
 2 God called you his be-lov-ed Son, called you his ser-vant true,
 3 Straight-way and stead-fast un-til death you then o-beyed his call
 4 Bap-tize us with your Spi-rit, Lord, your cross on us be signed,

as peace-ful as a dove and yet as ur-gent as a flame.
 sent you his king-dom to pro-claim, his ho-ly will to do.
 free-ly as Son of Man to serve and give your life for all.
 that, like-wise in God's ser-vice we may per-fect free-dom find.

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GOSPEL

Mark 1:4-11

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He proclaimed, "The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

Mother Mindy Valentine Davis

All Stand.

THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?

People I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

Celebrant Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.

Celebrant Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of the bread, and in the prayers?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People I will, with God's help.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Deacon As we gather around the waters of baptism today, gather us to your heart. Increase our commitment to the vows we have made to follow you. Give our spiritual leaders wisdom, patience, and guidance. We pray for God's people and their leaders.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy, *Hear our prayer.*

As we survey the news of the nations, sharpen our attention to what is happening in the world around us. Compel us to pray for those in authority and for the people they govern, that there may be peace between nations and neighbors. We pray for God's world and all her people.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy, *Hear our prayer.*

As we build relationships with those with whom we live and work, open our eyes to your presence in their lives and the ways we can serve you by serving them. We pray for our neighbors and friends.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy, *Hear our prayer.*

As we see those who suffer in any way, increase our capacity to love and to pray. We pray for those who are suffering with illness and the struggles of life.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy, *Hear our prayer.*

As we say goodbye to those who have departed this life, comfort us in our grief, assuring us of your love. We pray for those who have died.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy, *Hear our prayer.*

Celebrant O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

CONFESSION OF SIN

The Deacon says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All kneel or deep bow as they are able. Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Priest alone 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

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

Just As I Am

Woodworth

1 Just as I am, with - out one plea, but that thy
2 Just as I am, though tossed a - bout with man - y a
* 3 Just as I am, poor, wretch - ed, blind; sight, rich - es,
4 Just as I am: thou wilt re - ceive; wilt wel - come,
5 Just as I am, thy love un - known has bro - ken

1 blood was shed for me, and that thou bidd'st me
2 con - flict, man - y a doubt; fight - ings and fears with -
3 heal - ing of the mind, yea, all I need, in
4 par - don, cleanse, re - lieve, be - cause thy prom - ise
5 ev - ery bar - rier down; now to be thine, yea,

1 come to thee, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
2 in, with - out, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
3 thee to find, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
4 I be - lieve, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
5 thine a - lone, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

6 Just as I am, of thy great love
the breadth, length, depth, and height to prove,
here for a season, then above:
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Words: Charlotte Elliott

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SURSUM CORDA

Celebrant *People*
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Celebrant *People*
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People
It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. 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

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and
might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est._____

The People stand or kneel.


The Celebrant continues.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

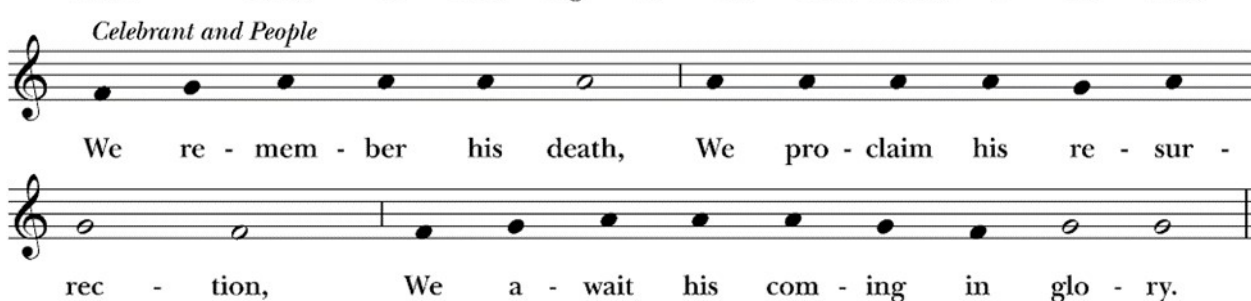
After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Celebrant



There - fore, ac - cord - ing to his com - mand, O Fa - ther,

Celebrant and People



We re - mem - ber his death, We pro - claim his re - sur -
rec - tion, We a - wait his com - ing in glo - ry.

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with The Blessed Virgin Mary, Blessed Peter, and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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



A - men. A - men. A - men.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant

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,

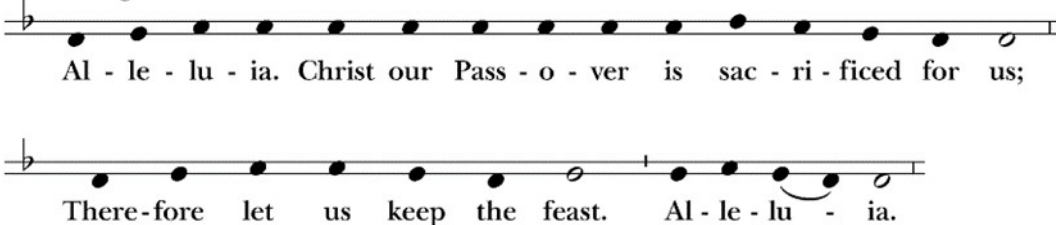
and the power, and the glory,

forever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

FRACTION ANTHEM

This setting is not used in Lent.



Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

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.

The Bread and the Cup are given to communicants with these words:

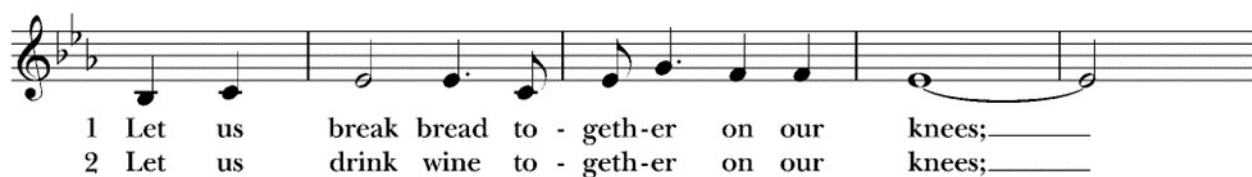
The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. [Amen.]

The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. [Amen.]

Communion Hymn

Let Us Break Bread Together on Our Knees

Let Us Break Bread



let us break bread to - geth-er on our knees;____
let us drink wine to - geth-er on our knees;____

Refrain
when I fall on my knees, with my face to the ris - ing sun,

O Lord, have mer-cy on me.____

3 Let us praise God to - geth-er on our knees;____

let us praise God to - geth-er on our knees;____

Refrain
when I fall on my knees, with my face to the ris - ing sun,

O Lord, have mer-cy on me.____

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Almighty and everliving God,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.

And now, Father, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

BLESSING

The Priest blesses the people, saying

May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. Amen.

DISMISSAL

Deacon *People*

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

God Be With You Till We Meet Again

Randolph

Unison *Harmony*

1. God be with you till we meet a - gain; by wise coun - sels
2. God be with you till we meet a - gain; 'neath bright wings pro -
3. God be with you till we meet a - gain; when life's pe - rils
4. God be with you till we meet a - gain; keep love's ban - ner

guide, up - hold you, with the sheep se - cure - ly fold you:
tect - ing hide you, dail - y man - na still pro - vide you:
thick con - found you, put strong arms un - fail - ing round you:
float - ing o'er you, smite death's threat - 'ning wave be - fore you:

Unison

God be with you till we meet a - gain.
God be with you till we meet a - gain.
God be with you till we meet a - gain.
God be with you till we meet a - gain.

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Our worship has concluded. Your service begins.

The flowers on the altar today are given to the glory of God and in remembrance of Jerry Laurant's birthday by Ginny Laurent.

ACTIVITIES

Monday, January 8–Friday January 12

8:00 AM Morning Prayer

Wednesday, January 10

12:00 Noon Midweek Eucharist

12:30 PM Men's Lunch Group

Sunday, January 14

8:00 AM Morning Prayer

8:30 AM Bible Study

10:00 AM Holy Eucharist

11:10 AM Coffee Hour/Fellowship

Host: McHenry's

PRAYERS

Parishioner Cycle of Prayer: Kevin & Ashley Utz, Aubrey, Hailey, and Colton

Ministry Rotation Of Prayer: Music Scholars

Happy Birthday: Spencer Davis, Jim Mode

For those who are sick: Jerry, Jack, Vickie, Charlie, Cynthia, Kristin, Steve, Deborah, Obi, Young, Jennifer, Gary, Lisa, Bill, Matt, Scott, Bev, John, Sally, Nancy, Cheri, Jory, Joan, Dedi, Melody, David, Don, Georgia, Nicole, Mary, Joyce, Jim, Jessica, Wendel, Martin, Bruce, Lyn, Lois, Tammy, Angelika, Kathy.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Women's Fellowship

The next Women's Fellowship will be Saturday, January 13 at 10:00 AM at the church.

Diabetes Prevention in Action Brunch

As part of our Health Ministry, Sunday, February 4 after the 10:00 AM service a pharmacist and nutritionist from the Fort Hometown Pharmacy will present some interesting information about managing healthy blood sugar, including A1C testing and much more. Please come to this free brunch ready to listen and learn.



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