



*The Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost*  
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**St. Andrew's Episcopal Church**  
*Centered in God, Focused on Others*

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*Good Morning and Welcome to St. Andrew's Episcopal Church here in Hanover!*

We are glad you are with joining us this morning. We pray that worshipping with us will give you a sense of fellowship with Christ and with us as God's people.

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**Please note updated COVID-19 Guidelines:**

- Masks are required for all while on church property. Your mask should cover your mouth and nose. [Children under 2 should not wear a mask; age 2 to 5 at the discretion of the parent – *Massachusetts Safety Standards for Places of worship, III.4*]
- Please continue to maintain social distancing, a wave or bow at the Peace is appropriate.
- Hand sanitizer is available at the entrance to the church, and for use before and after Holy Communion

**The Word of God**

**Gathering Hymn: *The Church's one foundation (Aurelia) (Verses 1-3)***

1 The Church's one foun - da - tion is Je - sus Christ her Lord;  
2 E - lect from ev - ery na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth,  
3 Though with a scorn - ful won - der men see her sore op - pressed,  
4 Mid toil and tri - bu - la - tion, and tu - mult of her war  
5 Yet she on earth hath un - ion with God, the Three in One,

1 she is his new cre - a - tion by wa - ter and the word:  
2 her char - ter of sal - va - tion, one Lord, one faith, one birth;  
3 by schi - sms rent a - sun - der, by her - e - sies dis - tressed;  
4 she waits the con - sum - ma - tion of peace for ev - er - more;  
5 and mys - tic sweet com - mun - ion with those whose rest is won.

1 from heaven he came and sought her to be his ho - ly bride;  
 2 one ho - ly Name she bless - es, par - takes one ho - ly food,  
 3 yet saints their watch are keep - ing, their cry goes up, "How long?"  
 4 till with the vi - sion glo - rious her long - ing eyes are blessed,  
 5 O hap - py ones and ho - ly! Lord, give us grace that we

1 with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.  
 2 and to one hope she press - es, with ev - ery grace en - dued.  
 3 and soon the night of weep - ing shall be the morn of song.  
 4 and the great Church vic - to - rious shall be the Church at rest.  
 5 like them, the meek and low - ly, on high may dwell with thee.

### Opening Acclamation

*Presider* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
*People* **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

### The Collect of the Day

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

O God, because without you we are not able to please you mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.  
**Amen.**

## The Lessons

### First Reading: Proverbs 1:20-33

A Reading from the book of Proverbs.

<sup>20</sup>Wisdom cries out in the street;  
in the squares she raises her voice.  
<sup>21</sup>At the busiest corner she cries out;  
at the entrance of the city gates she speaks:  
<sup>22</sup>“How long, O simple ones, will you love being simple?  
How long will scoffers delight in their scoffing  
and fools hate knowledge?  
<sup>23</sup>Give heed to my reproof;  
I will pour out my thoughts to you;  
I will make my words known to you.  
<sup>24</sup>Because I have called and you refused,  
have stretched out my hand and no one heeded,  
<sup>25</sup>and because you have ignored all my counsel  
and would have none of my reproof,  
<sup>26</sup>I also will laugh at your calamity;  
I will mock when panic strikes you,  
<sup>27</sup>when panic strikes you like a storm,  
and your calamity comes like a whirlwind,  
when distress and anguish come upon you.  
<sup>28</sup>Then they will call upon me, but I will not answer;  
they will seek me diligently, but will not find me.  
<sup>29</sup>Because they hated knowledge  
and did not choose the fear of the LORD,  
<sup>30</sup>would have none of my counsel,  
and despised all my reproof,  
<sup>31</sup>therefore they shall eat the fruit of their way  
and be sated with their own devices.  
<sup>32</sup>For waywardness kills the simple,  
and the complacency of fools destroys them;  
<sup>33</sup>but those who listen to me will be secure  
and will live at ease, without dread of disaster.”

*Reader*            The Word of the Lord.

*People*            **Thanks be to God.**

### Psalm 19 (read responsively by whole verse)

<sup>1</sup>The heavens declare the glory of God, \*  
and the firmament shows his handiwork.  
<sup>2</sup>**One day tells its tale to another, \***  
**and one night imparts knowledge to another.**  
<sup>3</sup>Although they have no words or language, \*  
and their voices are not heard,  
<sup>4</sup>**Their sound has gone out into all lands, \***

**and their message to the ends of the world.**

<sup>5</sup>In the deep has he set a pavilion for the sun; \*  
it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber;  
it rejoices like a champion to run its course.

**<sup>6</sup>It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens  
and runs about to the end of it again; \*  
nothing is hidden from its burning heat.**

<sup>7</sup>The law of the LORD is perfect and revives the soul; \*  
the testimony of the LORD is sure and gives wisdom to the innocent.

**<sup>8</sup>The statutes of the LORD are just and rejoice the heart; \*  
the commandment of the LORD is clear and gives light to the eyes.**

<sup>9</sup>The fear of the LORD is clean and endures forever; \*  
the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.

**<sup>10</sup>More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold, \*  
sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.**

<sup>11</sup>By them also is your servant enlightened, \*  
and in keeping them there is great reward.

**<sup>12</sup>Who can tell how often he offends? \*  
cleanse me from my secret faults.**

<sup>13</sup>Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins;  
let them not get dominion over me; \*  
then shall I be whole and sound,  
and innocent of a great offense.

**<sup>14</sup>Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, \*  
O LORD, my strength and my redeemer.**

## **Second Reading: James 3:1-12**

A Reading from the letter of James.

<sup>1</sup>Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. <sup>2</sup>For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. <sup>3</sup>If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. <sup>4</sup>Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. <sup>5</sup>So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits.

How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! <sup>6</sup>And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. <sup>7</sup>For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, <sup>8</sup>but no one can tame the tongue – a restless evil, full of deadly poison. <sup>9</sup>With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. <sup>10</sup>From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. <sup>11</sup>Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? <sup>12</sup>Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

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

Sequence Hymn: *Wisdom freed a holy people (Halton Holgate)*

1 Wis - dom freed a ho - ly peo - ple, blame - less, from op -  
 2 Giv - ing them re - ward of la - bors, led the saints a -  
 3 Through the Red Sea safe - ly brought them, led a - long the  
 4 For sal - va - tion, Lord, the right - eous praised your name with

pres - sor's sword, and with - stood, with signs and won - ders,  
 long her way, she was blaze of stars in dark - ness  
 wat - ers steep, but their en - e - mies she swal - lowed,  
 one ac - cord: song - filled tongues of new - born peo - ple

ru - lers' dread, to serve the Lord.  
 and a shel - ter through the day.  
 o - ver - whelmed them in the deep.  
 ut - tered Wis - dom's migh - ty word.

## **Gospel: Mark 8:27-38**

*Presider:* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.  
*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

<sup>27</sup>Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" <sup>28</sup>And they answered him, "John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets." <sup>29</sup>He asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Messiah." <sup>30</sup>And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him.

<sup>31</sup>Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. <sup>32</sup>He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. <sup>33</sup>But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

<sup>34</sup>He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. <sup>35</sup>For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. <sup>36</sup>For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? <sup>37</sup>Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? <sup>38</sup>Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

*Presider:* The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**The Sermon** - The Reverend Robert Edson

### **The Creed**

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**

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy."

For the peace from above, for the loving kindness of God, and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For our Bishops, Alan and Gayle, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For our Joe our President, Charlie the Governor of the Commonwealth, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For this city of Hanover, and for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For seasonable weather, and for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, remembering those on our parish prayer list and those we name now, either silently or aloud, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For those on our diocesan prayer list: Ascension Memorial Church, Ipswich; St. Stephen's Memorial Church, Lynn; Emmanuel Chapel, Manchester-by-the-Sea; and Ministries to the Homeless, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, especially for those we name now, either silently or aloud, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

In the communion of the Blessed Virgin Mary, St. Andrew, the First Called, and of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

*To you, O Lord our God*

Presider: 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**

*Presider:* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**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.**

*Presider* 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**

*Presider* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Presider* Let us offer each other some sign of peace.

### **Announcements**

### **Offertory Sentence**

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

## **The Holy Communion**

**Offertory Song:** *Stand By Me* (T. Kendzia), sung by Katie Beckvold

*Refrain:* *Stand by me, stand by me. Lift me up from the restless sea. When I am lost, when love can't be found, when no one cares, Lord, stand by me.*

### **The Great Thanksgiving**

*Presider* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Presider* Lift up your hearts.

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

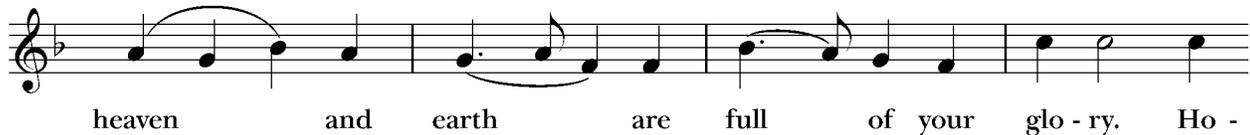
*Presider* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

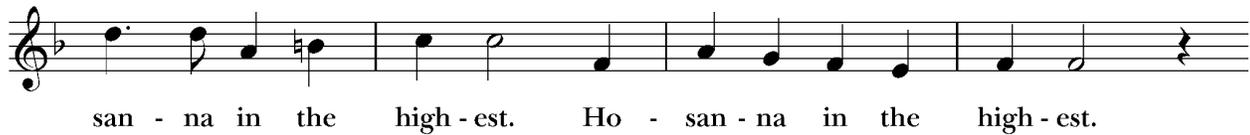
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. 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:



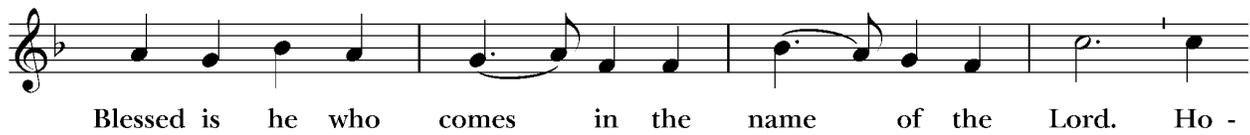
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,



heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -



san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -



san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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."

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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.*

### **The Lord's Prayer**

And now, as our Savior Christ has 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,  
forever and ever. Amen.**

### **The Breaking of the Bread**

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

### **The Gifts of God for the People of God: Holy Gifts for a Holy People**

*All Christians, regardless of denomination, are welcome to receive Holy Communion at St. Andrew's. To receive, come up the center aisle and the priest will put the consecrated bread in your hands. If you would prefer to receive a blessing instead, cross your arms over your chest and the priest will offer a blessing.*

*Wherever you are in your journey with God or towards God,  
you are welcome at St. Andrew's and at this Table.*

## Post-Communion Prayer

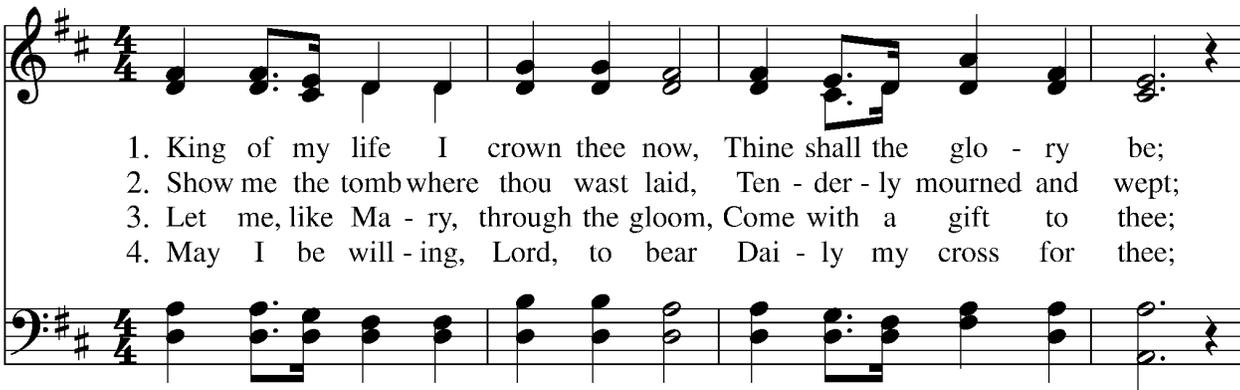
Let us pray.

**Eternal God, heavenly Father,  
you have graciously accepted us as living members  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,  
and you have fed us with spiritual food  
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.  
Send us now into the world in peace,  
and grant us strength and courage  
to love and serve you  
with gladness and singleness of heart;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

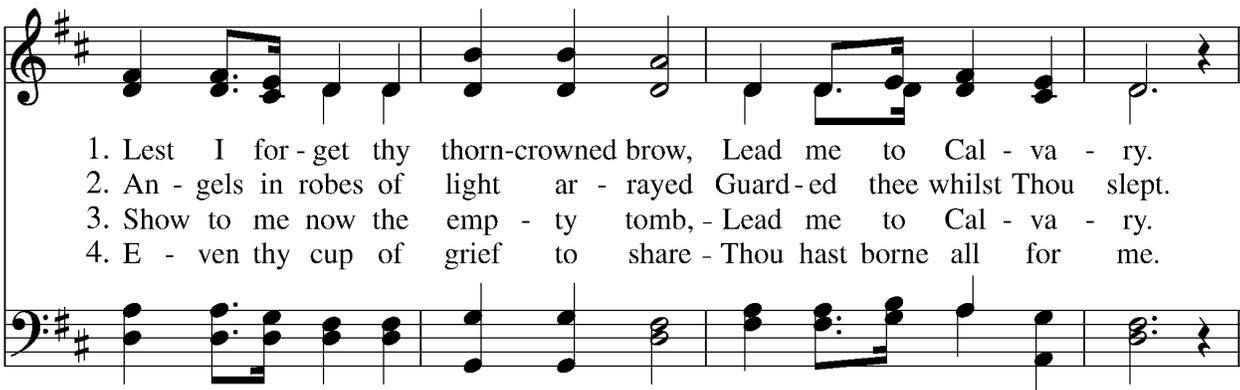
## Blessing

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. *Amen.*

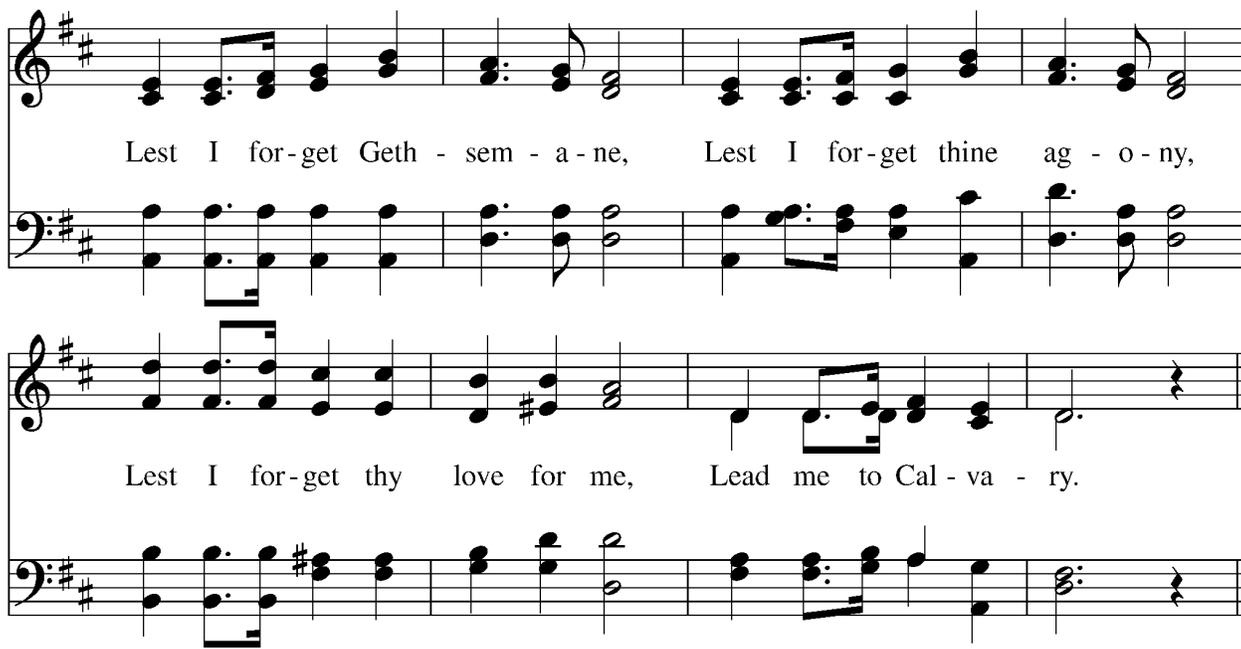
## Closing Hymn: *Lead Me to Calvary* (LEVAS 31)



1. King of my life I crown thee now, Thine shall the glo - ry be;  
2. Show me the tomb where thou wast laid, Ten - der - ly mourned and wept;  
3. Let me, like Ma - ry, through the gloom, Come with a gift to thee;  
4. May I be will - ing, Lord, to bear Dai - ly my cross for thee;



1. Lest I for - get thy thorn-crowned brow, Lead me to Cal - va - ry.  
2. An - gels in robes of light ar - rayed Guard - ed thee whilst Thou slept.  
3. Show to me now the emp - ty tomb, - Lead me to Cal - va - ry.  
4. E - ven thy cup of grief to share - Thou hast borne all for me.



Lest I for-get Geth - sem - a - ne, Lest I for-get thine ag - o - ny,  
Lest I for-get thy love for me, Lead me to Cal - va - ry.

**Dismissal**

*Presider* Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.  
*People* **Thanks be to God.**

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*Serving St. Andrew's this morning*

Presider: The Reverend Robert Edson  
Lector: Linda Gelinas  
Schola: Members of the St. Andrew's Choir  
Guest Vocalist: Katherine Beckvold

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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We welcome **Fr. Robert Edson** to St. Andrew's this morning. Fr. Edson will serve as our supply priest today and next Sunday, Sept. 19.

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We welcome **Claudia Neale** as our new interim Administrative Assistant. Claudia grew up in Chappaqua, NY, and went to college in Boston. She has three sons and two grandchildren who live in New York City. Claudia lives in Kingston and sings at the Chiltonville Congregational Church in Plymouth. She will be in the office on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 8:00-12:00. If you

have any items for the e-newsletter or would like to add a name to the prayer list, please contact Claudia at [office@standrewshanover.org](mailto:office@standrewshanover.org) or (781) 826-2062.

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**PRAYER LIST** - If you would like to add someone to the Prayer List, please email or call the office. Please remember to keep these people in your daily prayers: Carroll & Sue, Claire & Don, Tracey, Nancy, Bev, Beth, Steven, Susan, Hawk & Matthew, Karen, Erin Kate, Leah, Sophia, James & Judith, Lula Mae, AJ, Florence, Jamie, Janet M., Gayle, Tim, Boppy, Delores, Ben, the Brennan Family, Sarah, Julie, Jackson, Eileen & Larry, Gerry, Michele, Ken & Barbie, Meredith, Susan, Joan, Nancy, Bob, Janet G., Jackie, Celia, Kevin F., Priscilla, Bonnie, Robert, Katrina, Daron, Kurt, Ryan, Mel & family, Alden, Thomas P. Sr., Bruce M., Poppy, Wayne, and Charles