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October 18, 2026 • 9:30 AM

Twenty First Sunday after Pentecost – Proper 24 A

THE HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

PRELUDE

Wondrous Love by David Johnson

We begin our worship as a gathered community by praising God in song.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Praise to the living God (Leoni) (H 372)

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant: Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People: Glory to God for ever and ever.

This prayer was an English rendering of a Latin prayer that began the liturgy in the medieval church before the Reformation. It remains a distinctive part of Episcopal worship to this day.

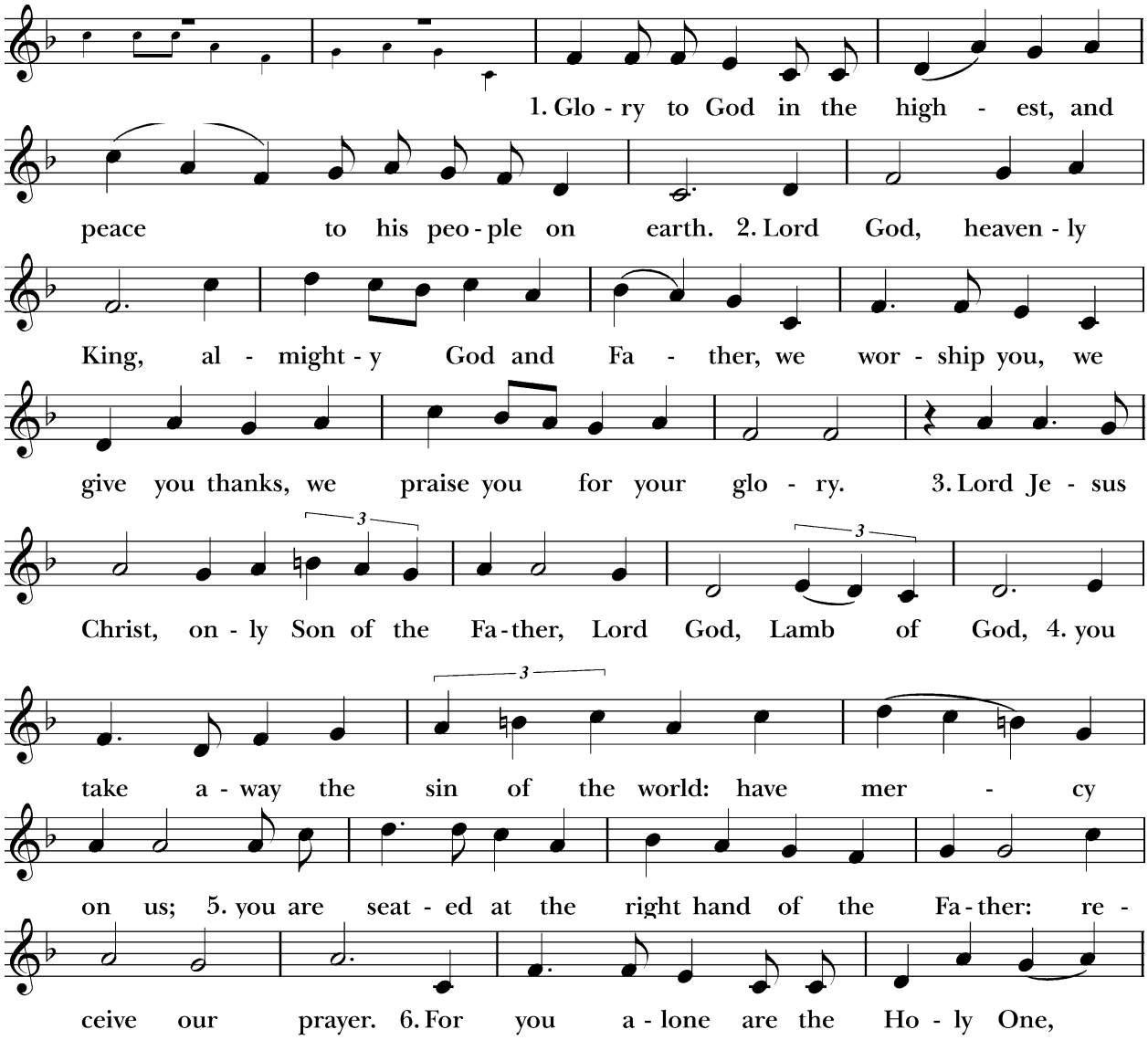
COLLECT FOR PURITY

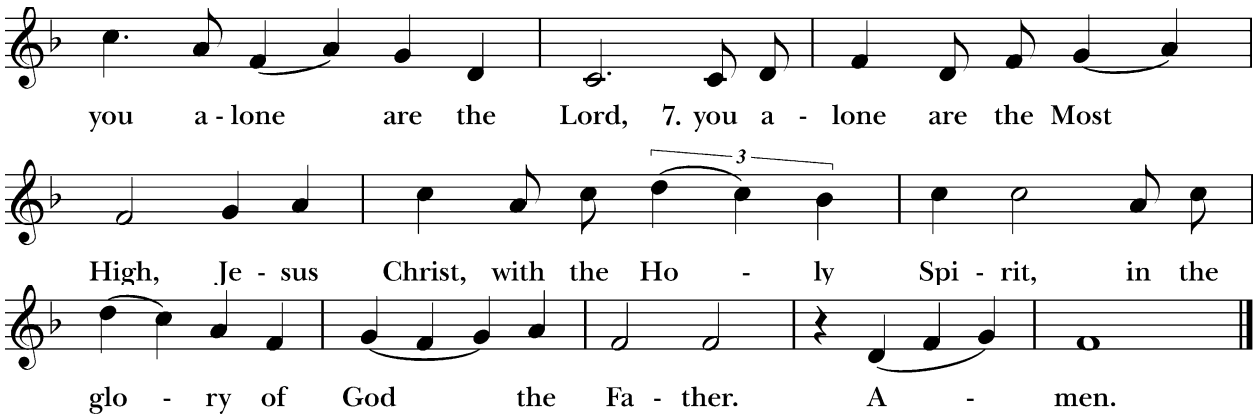
Celebrant: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

GLORIA

Glory to God (Canticle 20) (Powell) (S 280)





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The collect is the appointed prayer that "collects" or captures the theme of the day or season of the Church year. It summarizes the attributes of God as revealed in the scriptures for the day.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray, saying together

All: Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE WORD OF GOD

This reading is from the Hebrew Scriptures which Jesus knew and often referred to or quoted.

THE FIRST LESSON

Exodus 33:12-23

A Reading from the book of the book of Exodus.

Moses said to the Lord, "See, you have said to me, 'Bring up this people'; but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. Yet you have said, 'I know you by name, and you have also found favor in my sight.' Now if I have found favor in your sight, show me your ways, so that I may know you and find favor in your sight. Consider too that this nation is your people." He said, "My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest." And he said to him, "If your presence will not go, do not carry us up from here. For how shall it be known that I have found favor in your sight, I and your people, unless you go with us? In this way, we shall be distinct, I and your people, from every people on the face of the earth."

The LORD said to Moses, “I will do the very thing that you have asked; for you have found favor in my sight, and I know you by name.” Moses said, “Show me your glory, I pray.” And he said, “I will make all my goodness pass before you, and will proclaim before you the name, ‘The LORD’; and I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy. But,” he said, “you cannot see my face; for no one shall see me and live.” And the LORD continued, “See, there is a place by me where you shall stand on the rock; and while my glory passes by I will put you in a cleft of the rock, and I will cover you with my hand until I have passed by; then I will take away my hand, and you shall see my back; but my face shall not be seen.”

Reader: Hear what the spirit is saying to God’s people.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM

The psalms/canticles are prayers that Jesus used and express the full range of emotion and humanity’s relationship with God and one another.

Read responsively

Psalm 99

The LORD is King; let the people tremble.
He is enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth shake.

The LORD is great in Zion; he is high above all peoples.

Let them confess his Name, which is great and awesome;
he is the Holy One.

**“O mighty King, lover of justice, you have established equity;
you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.”**

Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God
and fall down before his footstool; he is the Holy One.

**Moses and Aaron among his priests,
and Samuel among those who call upon his Name,
they called upon the LORD, and he answered them.**

He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud;
they kept his testimonies and the decree that he gave them.

**O LORD our God, you answered them indeed;
you were a God who forgave them,
yet punished them for their evil deeds.**

Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God and worship him
upon his holy hill; for the LORD our God is the Holy One.

THE SECOND LESSON

This reading is usually a letter, or epistle, to the early Church, the Acts of the Apostles, or the Revelation to John.

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

A Reading from Paul's First letter to the Church in Thessalonika.

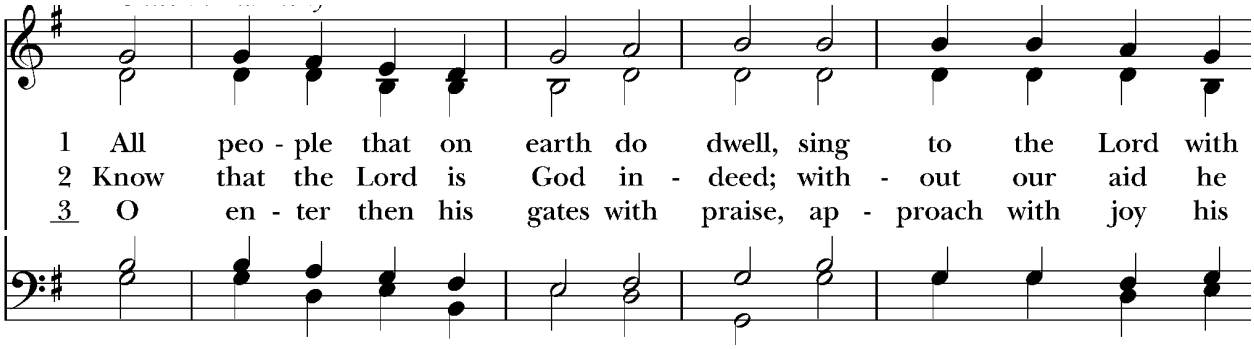
Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,
To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace.

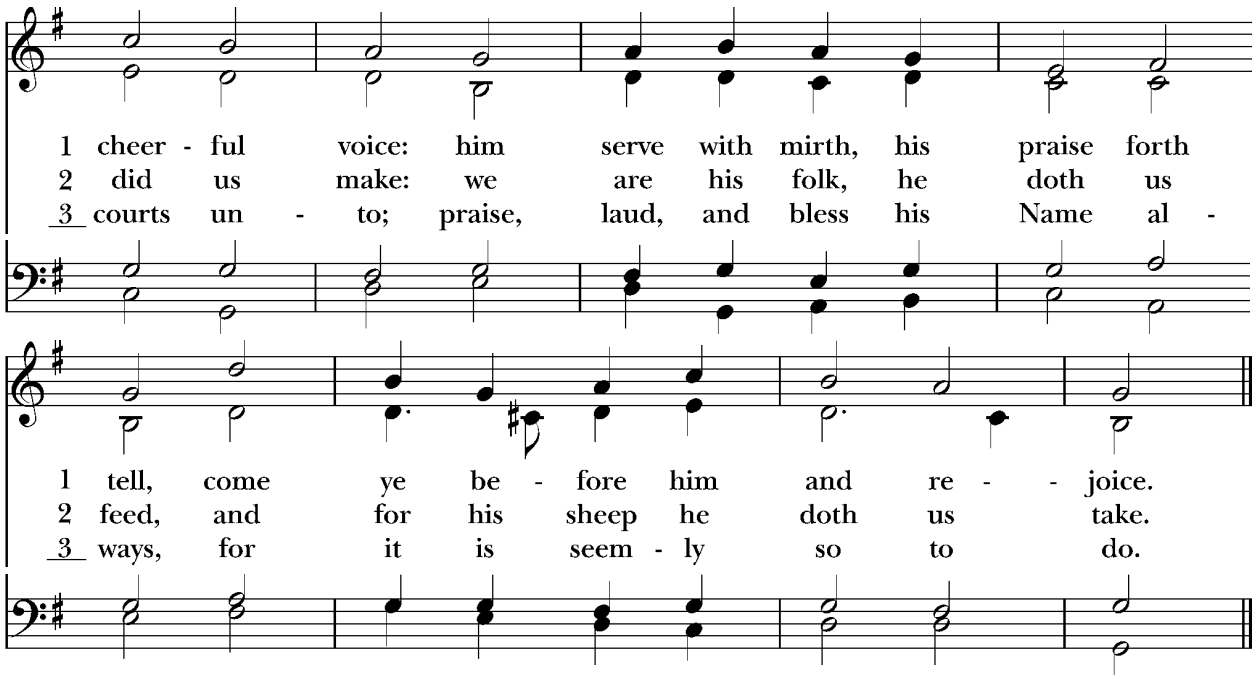
We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead—Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

Reader: Hear what the spirit is saying to God's people.
People: Thanks be to God.

The sequence hymn moves us toward the summit of the Liturgy of the Word—the reading of the Holy Gospel. Gospel means "good news"—specifically the "good news of Jesus."

HYMN AT THE SEQUENCE *All people that on earth do dwell* (H 377) (VS 1-3)





This reading is taken from one of the four Gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John), which depict the life, teachings, death, resurrection, and ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ. We stand for the Gospel reading to show the particular importance placed on Jesus' words and actions.

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 22:15-22

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

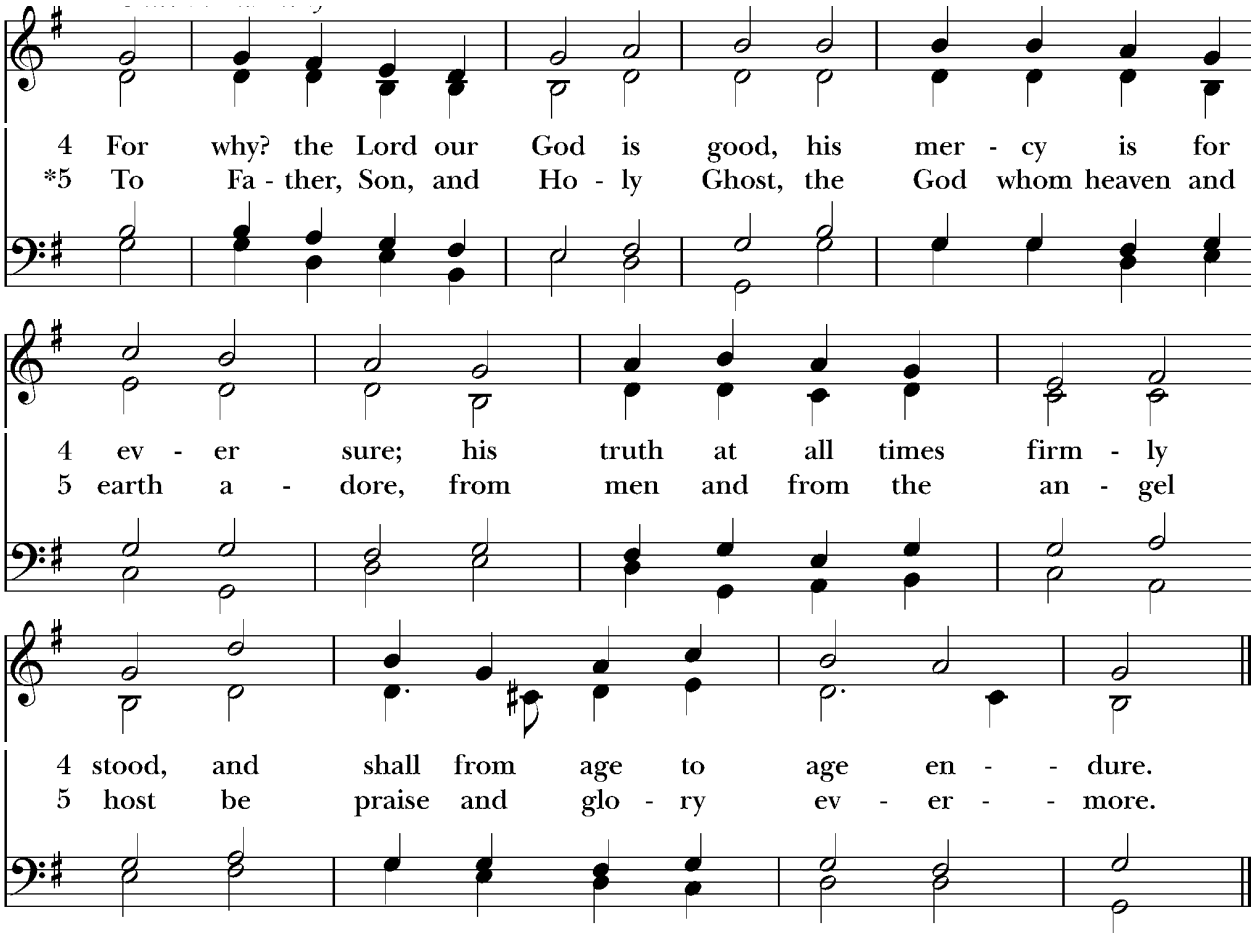
People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap Jesus in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?" But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, "Whose head is this, and whose title?" They answered, "The emperor's." Then he said to them, "Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's." When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

GRADUAL *All people that on earth do dwell (Old 100th)* (H 377) (VS 4-5)



THE SERMON The Reverend Amy Whitcomb Slemmer, Esq.

SILENT REFLECTION

THE NICENE CREED

Celebrant: In the assurance of eternal life given at Baptism, let us proclaim our faith and say,

All: **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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. 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, 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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader: Lord God, friend of those in need, your Son Jesus has untied our burdens and healed our spirits. We lift up the prayers of our hearts for those still burdened, those seeking healing, those in need within the church and the world.

Leader: For all to whom you have given life and being, we pray:

People: Merciful God, keep your planet and people in peace.

Leader: For the well-being of the earth; for its resources of water, air, light, and soil, that they may be tended for the good of all creatures, we pray:

People: Merciful God, keep your planet and people in peace.

Leader: For all elected leaders including Donald our President, Maura our Governor, Joe our Town Manager, for members of our courts, and for all public servants, that they may serve justice, and promote the dignity and freedom of every person, we pray:

People: Merciful God, keep your planet and people in peace.

Leader: For the creatures and the human beings of your world who are ill, or in danger, pain, or special need, and for all who suffer from the unjust, violent, or wasteful use of the earth's resources or the devastation and violence of war, that all may one day live in communities of justice and peace, we pray:

People: Merciful God, keep your planet and people in peace.

Leader: For all who have died and for all who mourn, that their tears of grief may be turned to wellsprings of joy, and for those we name now

(pause as the community shares their prayers either silently or aloud)

we pray to you, O Lord:

People: Merciful God, keep your planet and people in peace.

Leader: For those who suffer from any grief or trouble, those on our parish prayer list, and those who need our love and support

(the community shares their prayers either silently or aloud)

we pray to you, O Lord:

People: **Merciful God, keep your planet and people in peace.**

Leader: Giver of all good gifts, awaken us daily to our dependence upon your bounty, and make us always thankful for the abundance of your blessings. We pray for all the blessings of this life including those we name in our hearts or aloud

(the community shares their prayers either silently or aloud)

we pray to you, O Lord:

People: **Merciful God, keep your planet and people in peace.**

Leader: For those in our Diocesan cycle of prayer, Churches of the South Shore Deanery: Trinity Church, Rockland; St. Stephen's Church, Cohasset; St. Luke's Church, Scituate; Church of the Holy Nativity, South Weymouth; All Saints' Church, Whitman; Commission on Ministry, we pray:

People: **Merciful God, keep your planet and people in peace.**

Celebrant: Redeeming Sustainer, visit your people and pour out your strength and courage upon us, that we may hurry to make you welcome not only in our concern for others, but by serving them generously and faithfully in your name.

People: **Amen.**

CONFESSION OF SIN AND ABSOLUTION

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor, remembering the harm we have done, the truth we have avoided, and the good we have left undone.

People: **Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image, through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen.**

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

People: **Amen.**

Showing signs of peace to one another prepare us to receive Christ in the Sacrament of Holy Communion.

THE PEACE

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

People: And also with you.

The people greet one another with a loving sign of God's peace and gratitude to be joined together in community.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTHDAY AND ANNIVERSARY BLESSING

Celebrant: Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in each heart may your peace which passes all understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

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

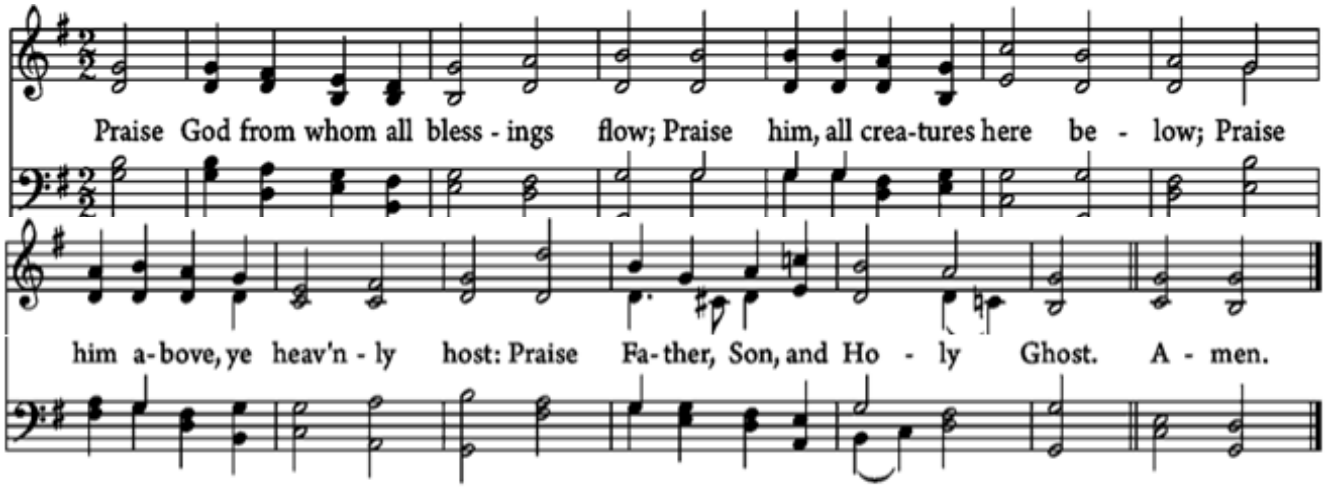
Having listened to the Word of God, affirmed our faith, and shared in the peace, we are prepared for the drama and miracle of the Holy Communion. At the offertory, we gratefully offer back to God some of what God has given us, symbolically in the bread and wine, and in the money we give.
An offering is received to support St. Andrew's ministry of sharing God's love. All are invited to make a gift as the plate is passed, by scanning the QR code on the back of this leaflet, or online at standrewshanover.org/give.

The altar is prepared for Holy Communion.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *Dona nobis pacem, pacem* (H 712) (sung twice)

Children present the donations for the Hanover Food Pantry. The ushers will bring the gifts forward.

DOXOLOGY



THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer III

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.

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

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

Celebrant: It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy.

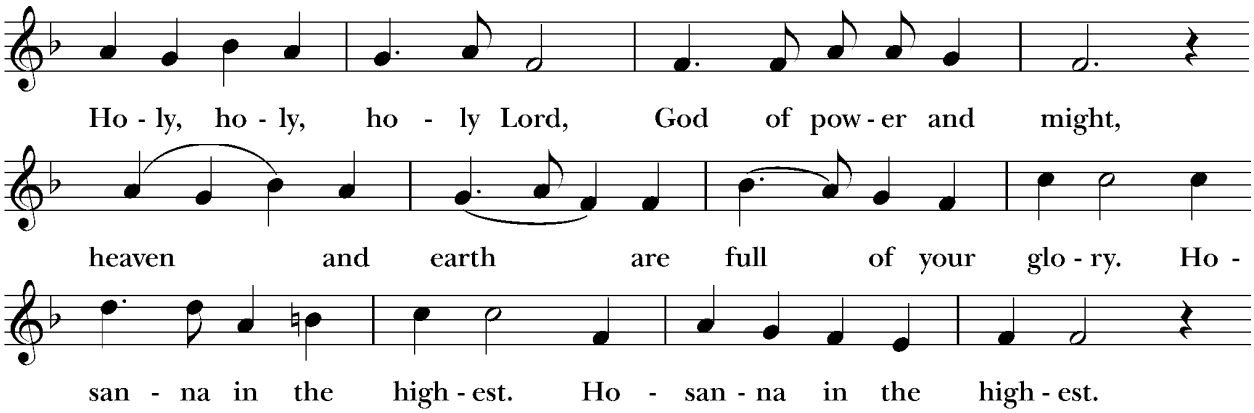
You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

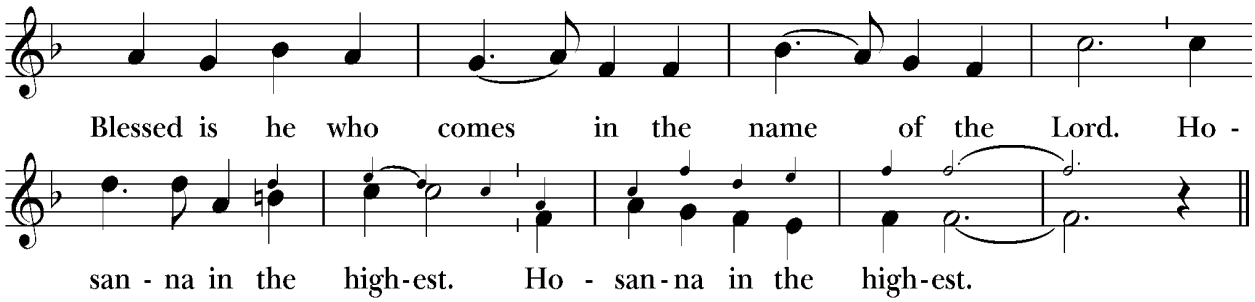
Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

The Sanctus is the hymn of praise that never ceases before God and is based on Isaiah 6:3.

SANCTUS

Holy, holy, holy (Proulx) (S125)





We recall God's acts of salvation history. The presider says the "Words of Institution" that Jesus said at the Last Supper. At the Memorial Acclamation we remember Christ's death, resurrection, and promise to return at the end of the age. During the prayer, the Holy Spirit is invoked to bless and sanctify the gifts of bread and wine.

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

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

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

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

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

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

Celebrant: Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world.

Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with Abraham and Sarah, Isaac and Rebecca, Jacob and Leah, and Andrew and all your people and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name forever.

The Great Amen is when the congregation with a unified great voice concurs with all that the presider has prayed. It is the only "Amen" in all capitals found in the Book of Common Prayer, signifying the greatness of the congregation's response.

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

ALL: AMEN.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

We pray together the prayer that Jesus taught his disciples to pray. The link between our daily bread and the spiritual food we receive in the Eucharist is an ancient connection.

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

All: 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.

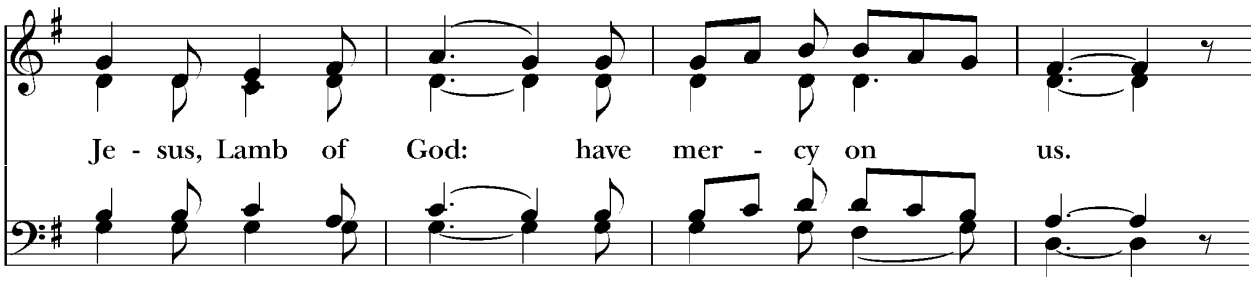
THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

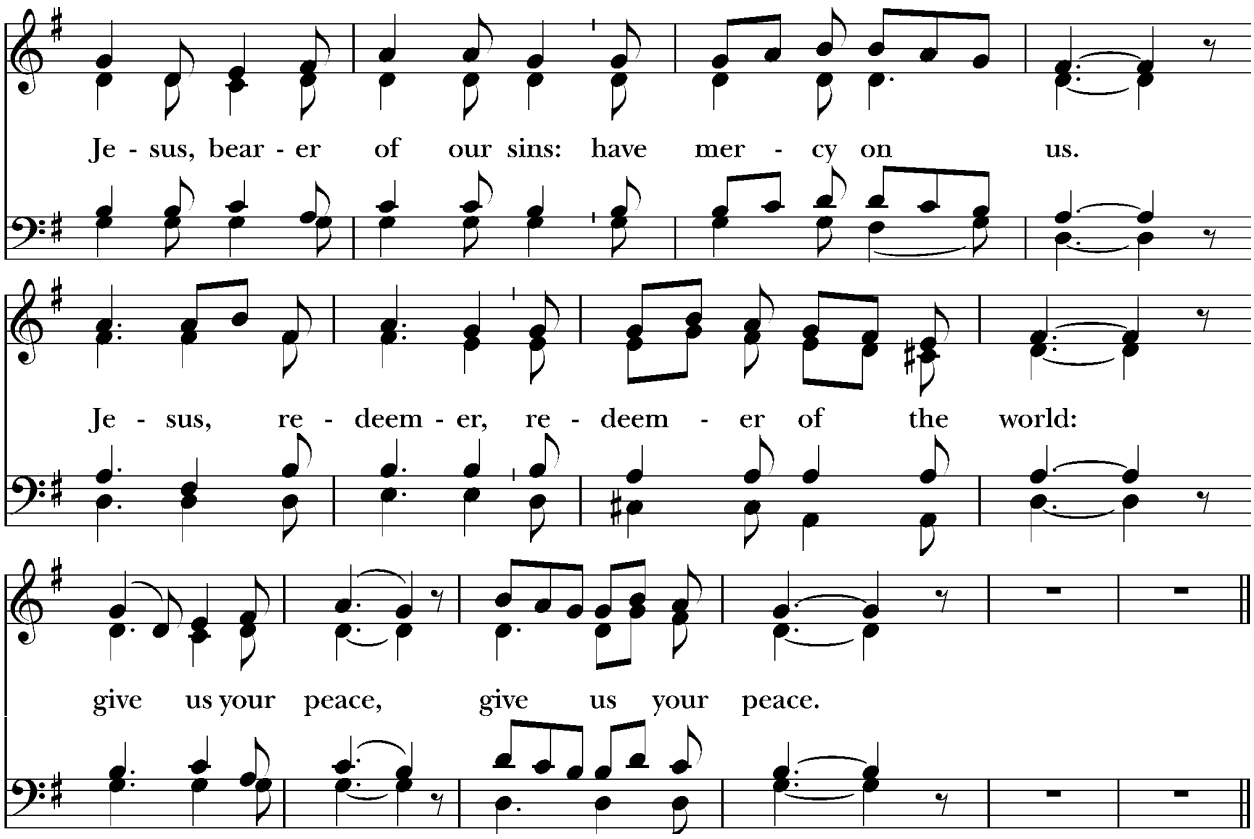
Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People: Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

FRACTION ANTHEM

Jesus, Lamb of God (Schubert/Proulx) (S 164)





THE INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

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

COMMUNION

The homemade Communion bread is gluten free.

SILENT REFLECTION

After Communion we observe a few moments of silence to reflect and give God thanks.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant: Let us pray.

People: Gracious God, you have fed us with the bread of life and gathered us in the love of Christ. Open our minds and hearts to recognize what is true, and enliven our imaginations to see possibilities beyond the choices before us. Give us wisdom to discern, courage to challenge what is unjust, and humility to listen and learn. Remind us that we are made in your image, and send us forth to honor that image in one another, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

BLESSING

Celebrant: Life is short, and we do not have too much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel the way with us. So be swift to love, and make haste to make kindness loud, and may the blessing of God our Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer be with you now and always.

People: Amen.

Children are invited to join the priest at the altar during the Recessional Hymn and to help bear the consecrated elements out of the Church and to help to dispose of them reverently outside.

RECESSIONAL *Jesus shall reign where'er the sun (Duke Street)* (H 544)

DISMISSAL

Celebrant: My siblings in Christ, our worship has ended; let our service begin, as we go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

POSTLUDE *Praise to the Lord* by Hans Friedrich Micheelsen

In continuation of the love and connection experienced during our service, all are invited to the coffee hour in the parish hall.

Our Prayer and Sacramental Life

PRAYER LIST

Those in need: Barbara Kean - Darren and Katrina - Nicole - Linda - John G - Christine, Derek & Kelly - Chuck F - Kevin S - Mary D - Libby Tolley - Rev. Patti – Penny - Carol & Twig - Monica - Patrick S - Louie - Betty G - John S - Carol and Chick Kastner - Edward "Ned" McCann - Sue G - Mary Robinson - Camdyn M - Matt - Aiden – safe return of Nancy Guthrie and The Guthrie Family - Eileen K - Patricia - Carol Ann - Link Family -- Stern Family -- Ben - Prescott and Mansfield families - Alec - Ann Ferzoco - Ellen Elliott -- Meredith C -- Greg Eaton - Nicol Family – John – Tracy Sprows – Dennis - Lee G – Don S – Leah – Katrina & Darren – Paul Nicol –Mark D – Art J – Matthew – Thomas & Gloria – Susannah L -- David – Paula – Bill – David H – Sharon M – Greyson - Rosie & Silva Family – Haley - Sarah – Valerie – Dennis -- Jesse on his seminary journey

Those who have died and their families and loved ones: Joan Dwyer - Dieter Braun - David Magraw - Celeste Hopkins – Richard Buonvicino - Joy Misek - Benjamin Tappa - Tiffany Gloria Malloy - Matilda Dale Dilorilo - Jimmy Tracy - James Busby

O God, the strength of the weak and the comfort of sufferers, mercifully accept our prayers, and grant to these your servants the help of your power, that their sickness may be turned into health, and our sorrow into joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Our Youth

GODLY PLAY! Sundays at 9:00 AM

- Wonder • Story • Sacred Snack • Faith • Belonging
- Children ages 3+ invited! Drop-off begins before 9:00 AM
- Children join us in church during announcements
- And yes — there is coffee for grownups!
- Grownups bring their children directly to the Godly Play Room where we will begin our morning together.
- While grownups head to worship, children enter a beautiful, welcoming space created especially for them to hear stories, ask big questions, wonder, create, pray and discover how much God loves them.
- After Godly Play, the children join their families in the church for announcements and Holy Communion, so that we end our Sunday morning together as one church family.

Curious? See Rev'd Amy or any one of our ambassadors (Elizabeth Lehnertz, Ann Hunt, Linda Thurston, Sally Boutin, Suzanne Bunszel, Susan Soumah).

Check out parish website for printable "Invitation to Parents Letter" and "Sign Up Form"

SHORE TO SHORE - HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

A YOU(TH) GROUP! Young People Change the World

Shore to Shore connects teenagers from Massachusetts to South Africa

The next meeting is Sunday November 8 || TIME TO BE DETERMINED!

Great Food, New Friends, a Place of Belonging

Need a Ride? Contact Jim Laprade — JFLaprade@comcast.net (617) 312-4631

https://www.standrewshanover.org/shore-to-shore.html. ALL Teens Invited!

There are two ways to give and support this ministry. The first is to bring your spare change to church and drop it in one of the Shore to Shore change buckets (making a change with every gift!); the second is to give through the give butter platform: https://givebutter.com/2bdiK2 or at QR CODE.

PARISH COMMUNITY

BECOME A PLEDGING MEMBER

Being faithful stewards of our resources is an on-going opportunity. If you are among those who have pledged – THANK YOU! Your gift and promise contributes to the stability of St. Andrew's and allows us to plan ahead. If you have not yet made a commitment, pledge packets are in the Narthex, and your thoughtful investment of your time, talent or financial resources are a blessing.

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC SEARCH

Are you a musician? Do you know one? We seek a Director of Music who will partner with clergy and parish leadership to build upon a strong musical foundation while helping shape the next era of ministry at St. Andrew's. Salary: Competitive and commensurate with experience. Part-Time (approximately 10-12 hours per week). Please see full job description, video and application process on the parish website.

NAME TAGS: Our parish is growing; this is a good time for everyone to wear a nametag. If you don't have one or if yours needs replacing, please scan the QR code to left so we can provide you with one.

PARISH LIFE FAMILY HALLOWEEN PARTY

Plan to join our next parish life event -- HALLOWEEN PARTY FOR ALL AGES! **Saturday, OCTOBER 24, 5-7 p.m.** Share some potluck food, check out the costumes, play some Halloween inspired trivia, enjoy the company! Halloween themed desserts would be cool! Use this QR CODE or LINK on the parish website to sign up!

BRIDGE

Keith MacLeod is getting ready to reconvene St. Andrew's Bridge Builders – a group of aspiring bridge players who gather and learn the game together in the Parish Hall. New members and beginners welcome each week! Come join the fun, learning, companionship. We hope to start again the week of October 19. Use LINK on website to let us know if you are interested and what is the best day/time for you -- Tuesdays (9-12), Tuesdays (1-4), Wednesdays (9-12), Wednesdays (1-4).

CHRISTMAS FAIR

- **NEXT PLANNING MEETING, THIS SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18 AFTER CHURCH!**
- **Help us get the word out -- post a flyer; plant a yard sign; shout the news on facebook/instagram/your social network!**
- **Publicity Chair/Team Needed.** We need your help. We could use your help. We are looking for one or more persons to lead our publicity efforts to get the word out to the community of the best Christmas Fair eva! Let Dianne Nicol or Sarah Kelbaugh know if you are interested.
- **Apples Needed for Pies.** Please leave donations in parish kitchen.
- **Baskets**. In addition to the Gift Baskets items listed at the QR CODE, we welcome ready-to-go Themed Baskets (we can wrap & complete) and empty baskets that we can fill
- **St. A's Café.** Use this QR Code to volunteer to provide food for the Café including chili, chowder, corn bread, apple crisp
- **Donations Needed for "Rooms".** Donations are needed for the Toy Room, Grandma's Attic, the Holiday Room, the Boutique and the Basket Table. Donations should be left on the stage in the parish hall. Donations also needed for the Bake Sale Table. Donor's name and ingredient list should be included with each donation.

➢**Calling all volunteers for needed RAFFLE ITEMS, BASKET ITEMS, HELP ON DAY OF FAIR.** Use this QR Code to go to our Sign Up Genius form for more details and to volunteer to obtain items or donate "person power" on the day of the Fair.

➢**Craft/Artisan Tables**. Once again, our vendors' tables are going to be held exclusively for parishioners and their family/friends. For a $50.00 rental fee, and a willingness to be at the table for both days of the fair, everything the vendors make from their sales is theirs to keep! To reserve your table, (or share one with another church friend) see Sarah Kelbaugh.

OUR OUTREACH EFFORTS

HANOVER FOOD PANTRY

St. Andrew's collects items for the Hanover Food Pantry Thank you so much for your consistent donations. For the month of October, we have been asked to collect pudding cups and fruit cups.

DIGNITY MATTERS

Our church is excited to begin supporting Dignity Matters, a Massachusetts nonprofit that provides free menstrual care products to women and girls experiencing homelessness or hardship. We now have a Dignity Matters collection bin at the church by the parish hall doors, and there are lots of ways to get involved! You can donate needed products, help hang flyers and spread the word in our community, or volunteer to transport our collected donations to the Dignity Matters warehouse in Westborough. Interested in helping or have questions? Please reach out to Elizabeth Lehnertz (774-999-9376).

CALENDAR

Sunday, October 18
Christmas Fair Planning meeting after church
Vestry Meeting, 11:15 am

Saturday, October 24
Parish Life Halloween Party, 5-7 p.m.

Saturday, October 31
Duct Tape Committee , 9-11 a.m.
Church doors open to trick or treaters!

Sunday, November 1
All Saints & Baptisms at 9:30 a.m. service
Parish Life Committee meeting

Friday and Saturday, November 6 & 7
Annual Christmas Fair

Sunday, November 8
Parish Life Committee meeting at church
Shore to Shore Time to be Determined**!**

Sunday, November 15
Vestry Meeting, 11:15 am

Becoming Episcopalian (Inquirer's Class); Wednesdays, 7:00–8:30 p.m. through 11/4/26
in person or Zoom; LINK on website;
October 21 Class – Chapters 4, 5 & 6

Art of Being a Couple; Thursdays • 7:00-8:15 p.m. through 11/5/26
in person or Zoom; LINK on website

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TODAY:

Acolytes: Cheri Dauphinee
Jen Mitchell
Keith MacLeod

Audio/Visual: Stephen Ryerson

Lay Readers: Suzanne Bunszel and Kristi Peak-Oliveira

Chalice Bearers: Sarah Kelbaugh and Jen Mitchell

Choir Members: Kristi Peak-Oliveira, Janice Nickerson, Maryann Haen, Sarah Kelbaugh, Gordon O'Reilly, Priscilla O'Reilly, Suzanne Bunszel, Rebecca Maki, Hannah Maki, Dane Ripellino, Joanie Rogers and Chuck Rogers.

Flowers

The flowers over the altar this Sunday are in loving memory of Sophy Richmond Phillips Church, July 11, 1885 - October 22, 1940. Sister of Ada, Catherine, Fanny Phillips, mother of Margaret, Sophy, and Frances.

Vocational Deacon

Molly Breiling, a vocational deacon in formation, will be with us on Sundays through May, 2027. In addition to pursuing ordination as a deacon, she is an entrepreneur, wife and mother. Molly is a chef, baker, food writer and scholar, seeker - passionate about food justice issues with an eye on reducing food waste while improving sustainable practices. She is the owner of Divine Culinary Enterprises. Her clients include the Sisters of St. Margaret in Duxbury.

Claire DeCusati is our guest organist and leader of the choir. Claire holds a certificate in Sacred Music from Westminster Choir College in New Jersey. A lifelong musician, she recently retired from full time music ministry from Pilgrim Church in Duxbury. Now she continues her music ministry by substituting for full time musicians who need time off. Claire has been a long-time member of the Boston Chapter of the American Guild of Organists, where she held many positions over the years. She is passionate about involving young people in music. Claire's other interests include needlepoint and gardening. She is a Principal Master Gardener with the Massachusetts Master Gardeners Association.

VESTRY OFFICERS AND MEMBERS:

Suzanne Bunszel, Warden; Michelle Joyce, Treasurer; Elise McKee; Gordon O'Reilly; Jen Mitchell and Sherry Long

CONTACT INFORMATION:

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RECURRING EVENTS:

Sundays: Choir practice 8:45 a.m.; Godly Play 9:00am; 9:30am service
Coffee Hour following service
Office Hours: Tuesday & Wednesday: 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.; Thursday: noon-6:00 p.m.
Mondays: Rector's Sabbath

LINK TO ONLINE GIVING: