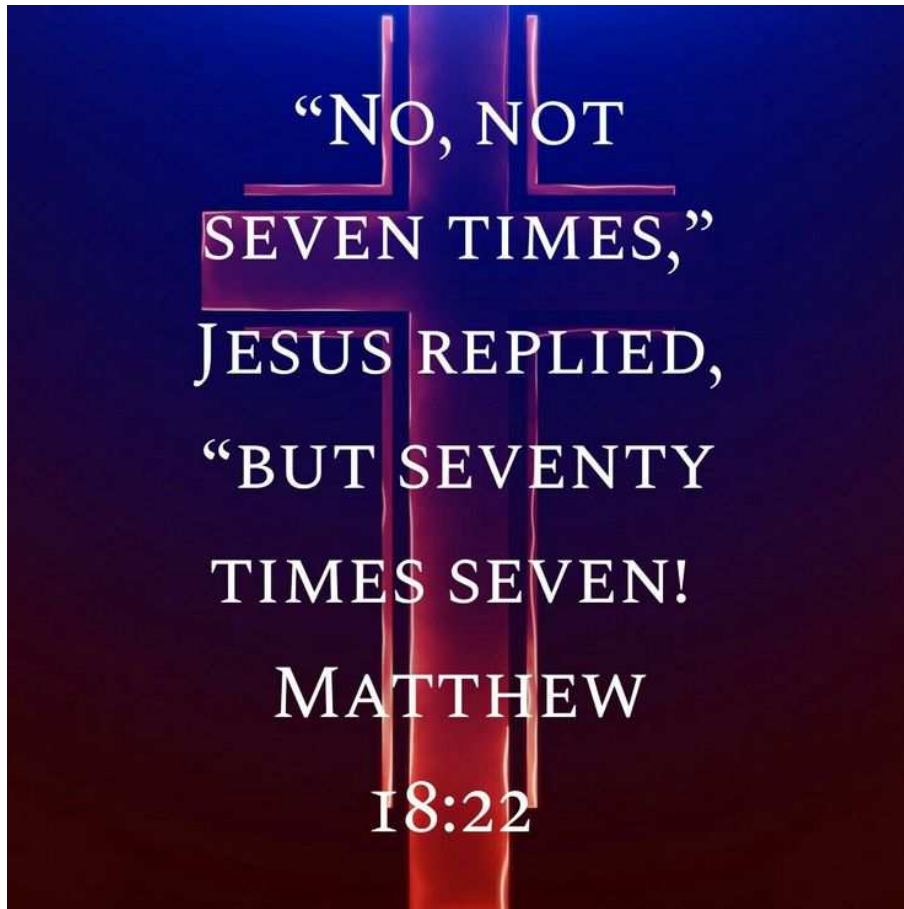




**Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Proper 19**

September 13, 2026

St. Andrew's Mission Statement

Rooted in Christ's love, St. Andrew's is a worshiping community seeking to

G R O W *our relationships with God, one another and the world.*

Grounded in Prayer,

Renewing Hope,

Open to the Spirit,

Welcoming & Accepting of All

ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
EMPORIA, KANSAS
A EUCHARISTIC COMMUNITY OF THE DIOCESE OF KANSAS

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PROCESSIONAL HYMN

WELCOME

Good Morning and Welcome to St. Andrew's!



This booklet is a guide to this morning's worship. It contains the structure of the service, as well as the prayers and responses, readings, and hymns for today's liturgy. Announcements and prayer requests are also included. Today we will be using the liturgy for Holy Communion beginning on page 355 in your Book of Common Prayer. If you print this booklet at home for your edification, please recycle it to be good stewards of God's creation.

Let us Worship the Lord!

Prelude

"Lento"

Sidney Campbell

The Bell

Calls us to Worship

THE ENTRANCE RITES

Processional Hymn

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

H #390

Descant

The musical score is written for four parts: Soprano (S), Alto (A), Tenor (T), and Bass (B). It begins with a descant in the Soprano part. The lyrics are as follows:

4 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a -
1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -
2 Praise to the Lord; o - ver all things he glo - rious - ly
3 Praise to the Lord, who doth pros - per thy way and de -
4 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a -
dore him! All that hath life and breath come now with
a - tion; O my soul, praise him, for he is thy
reign - eth: borne as on ea - gle - wings, safe - ly his
fend thee; sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy shall
dore him! All that hath life and breath come now with

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Processional Hymn cont'd

prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men sound from his

health and sal - va - tion: join the great throng, psal - ter - y,
 saints he sus - tain - eth. Hast thou not seen how all thou
 ev - er at - tend thee; pon - der a - new what the Al -
 prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men sound from his

peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for ev - er a - dore him.

or - gan, and song, sound - ing in glad ad - o - ra - tion.
 need - est hath been grant - ed in what he or - dain - eth?
 might - y can do, who with his love doth be - friend thee.
 peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for ev - er a - dore him.

The Acclamation

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

Collect for Purity

BCP 355

Celebrant Let us pray.

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.

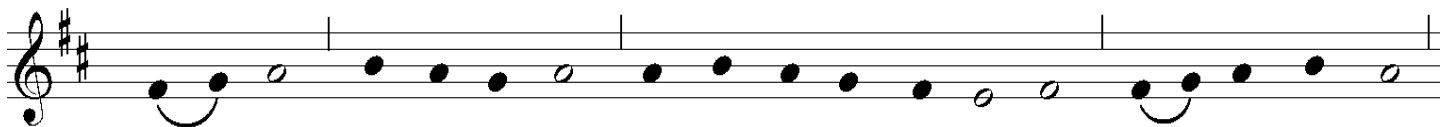
People Amen.

Gloria

S #277



1. Glo - ry to God in the high-est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



2. Lord God, hea-ven-ly King, al-might-y 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,

Gloria cont'd

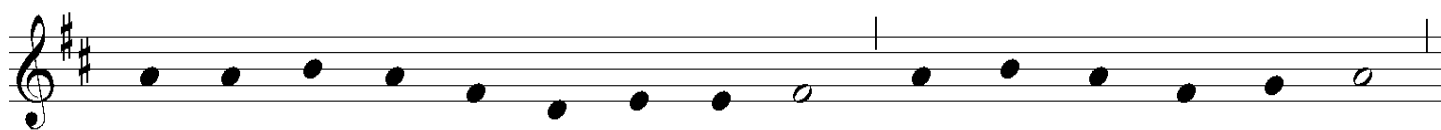
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4. you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us;



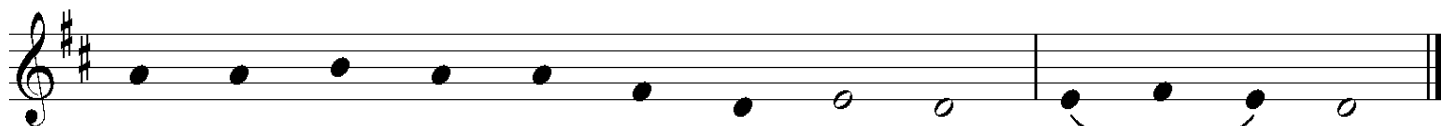
5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer.



6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



7. you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Celebrant Kyrie eleison
People **Christe eleison**
Celebrant Kyrie eleison

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Collect of the Day

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

Celebrant 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.

People **Amen.**

The First Reading

Exodus 14:19-31

Lector A reading from the Book Exodus chapter 14, beginning with verse 19.



Lector The angel of God who was going before the Israelite army moved and went behind them; and the pillar of cloud moved from in front of them and took its place behind them. It came between the army of Egypt and the army of Israel. And so the cloud was there with the darkness, and it lit up the night; one did not come near the other all night.

Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea.

The Lord drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night, and turned the sea into dry land; and the waters were divided. The Israelites went into the sea on dry ground, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. The

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The First Reading cont'd

Lector Egyptians pursued, and went into the sea after them, all of Pharaoh's horses, chariots, and chariot drivers. At the morning watch the Lord in the pillar of fire and cloud looked down upon the Egyptian army, and threw the Egyptian army into panic. He clogged their chariot wheels so that they turned with difficulty. The Egyptians said, "Let us flee from the Israelites, for the Lord is fighting for them against Egypt."

Then the Lord said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand over the sea, so that the water may come back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots and chariot drivers." So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at dawn the sea returned to its normal depth. As the Egyptians fled before it, the Lord tossed the Egyptians into the sea. The waters returned and covered the chariots and the chariot drivers, the entire army of Pharaoh that had followed them into the sea; not one of them remained. But the Israelites walked on dry ground through the sea, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left.

Thus the Lord saved Israel that day from the Egyptians; and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore. Israel saw the great work that the Lord did against the Egyptians. So the people feared the Lord and believed in the Lord and in his servant Moses.

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

People Thanks be to God.

Lector The Psalm appointed for today is Psalm 114, beginning with verse 1, which begins on page 756 in your Book of Common Prayer or in this morning's bulletin. I invite us to pray the Psalm responsively by half verse.

Lector Hallelujah!

When Israel came out of Egypt, *
 the house of Jacob from a people of strange speech,

Judah became God's sanctuary *
 and Israel his dominion.

The sea beheld it and fled; *
 Jordan turned and went back.

The mountains skipped like rams, *
 and the little hills like young sheep.

What ailed you, O sea, that you fled? *
 O Jordan, that you turned back?

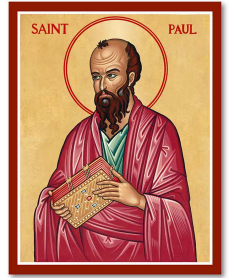
You mountains, that you skipped like rams? *
 you little hills like young sheep?

Tremble, O earth, at the presence of the Lord, *
 at the presence of the God of Jacob,

Who turned the hard rock into a pool of water *
 and flint-stone into a flowing spring.

The Second Reading

Romans 14:1-12



Lector Our second reading this morning comes from Paul's letter to the Romans, chapter 14, beginning with verse 1.

Lector Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarreling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgment on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgment on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand.

Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it in honor of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honor of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honor of the Lord and give thanks to God.

We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God. For it is written,

"As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me,
and every tongue shall give praise to God."

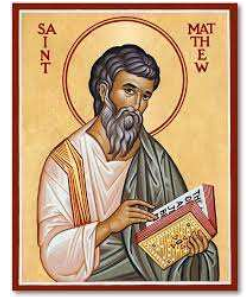
So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Gospel

Matthew 18:21-35



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

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Celebrant Peter came and said to Jesus, “Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?” Jesus said to him, “Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

“For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.’ And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, ‘Pay what you owe.’ Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you.’ But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, ‘You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?’ And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.”

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Homily

Rev. Shawn Streepy

Celebrant Let us say together the Nicene Creed found on pg. 358 of your Book of Common Prayer.

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: 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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Form IV, BCP 388

Intercessor Let us pray for the Church and for the world.
Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may
be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal
your glory in the world.

Silence

Intercessor Lord in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the
ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another
and serve the common good.

Silence

Intercessor Lord in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation,
that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others
and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Intercessor Lord in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant
that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he
loves us.

Silence

Intercessor Lord in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Silence

Intercessor Lord in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

Intercessor We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Intercessor Lord in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

Confession

Celebrant We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

In silence, let us confess all known sin to God.

Celebrant and People

**Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
in your compassion forgive us our sins,
known and unknown,
Things done and left undone;
and so uphold us by your Spirit
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of your Name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

Absolution

Celebrant 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.

People Amen.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.

Announcements

In Our Prayers This Week

In the Anglican Communion: We pray for the Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia.

In the Kansas Cycle of Prayer: We pray for St. John's, Abilene.

For Health & General Concerns: Sam F., Joyce B., John L., Kay J., Linda D., Mary R., Jay B., Craig L., Brandi, Suzanne P., Matthew L., Millard H., Grace H., Steve H., Oison H., Jean R., John H., Judith, Karina M., Virginia P., Ada, Kay D., Dee P.

For Our Shut-ins: Marged A. and Karen H.

Our Neighbors in the World: Jim Grant, and his Mission in Haiti.

For Our Church: The Council of Trustees of the Diocese, the Tallgrass Minster and the Northwest Convocation.

SEPTEMBER MILESTONES

Birthdays

Sept. 6	Brandi Mitchell
Sept. 9	Ann Jacob
Sept. 19	Michael Mallek
Sept. 21	Hudson Kline
Sept. 26	Susan Mai

Anniversaries

No anniversaries in September

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Join us following the service for fellowship and coffee.
 - This Tuesday at 8:30 a.m., we will gather to begin the day with prayer, scripture, and reflection.
 - All are invited to participate in the upcoming dialogue sessions with the candidates for Bishop:
 - Tuesday, September 15, 7:30 PM—St. Thomas the Apostle, Overland Park
 - Wednesday, September 16, 7:30 PM – Epiphany, Independence
 - Thursday, September 17, 7:30 PM – St. Stephen's, Wichita
 - Friday, September 18, 7:00 PM – Grace Cathedral, Topeka
- Note: Each session will also be broadcast on the Diocese's YouTube channel.
- Monthly Open Lunch following the 11:30 Service will be Sunday, September 27th

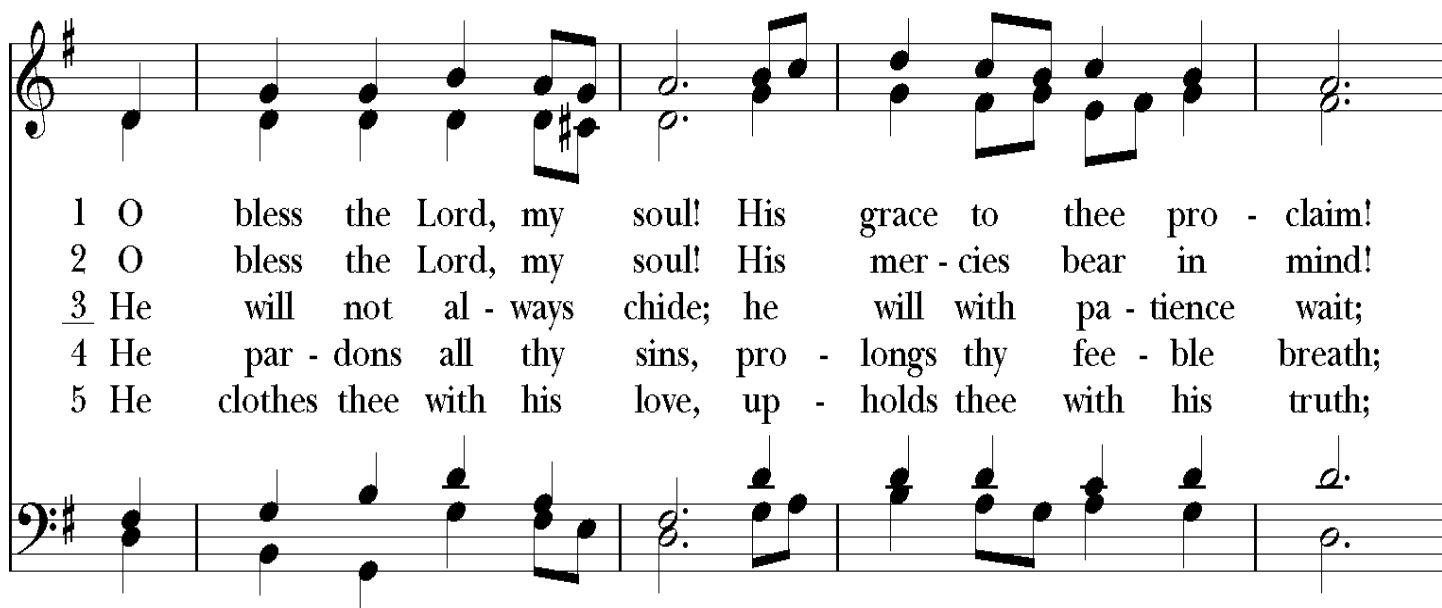
Offertory Sentence

Celebrant I beseech you, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present yourselves as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God which is your spiritual worship.

Hymn at the Offertory

“O Bless the Lord, My Soul”

H #411



1 O bless the Lord, my soul! His grace to thee pro - claim!
2 O bless the Lord, my soul! His mer - cies bear in mind!
3 He will not al - ways chide; he will with pa - tience wait;
4 He par - dons all thy sins, pro - longs thy fee - ble breath;
5 He clothes thee with his love, up - holds thee with his truth;



1 And all that is with - in me join to bless his ho - ly Name!
2 For - get not all his ben - e - fits! The Lord to thee is kind.
3 his wrath is ev - er slow to rise and rea - dy to a - bate.
4 he heal - eth thine in - fir - mi - ties and ran - soms thee from death.
5 and like the ea - gle he re - news the vi - gor of thy youth.

6 Then bless his holy Name,
whose grace hath made thee whole,
whose loving-kindness crowns thy days:
O bless the Lord, my soul!

THE LITURGY OF THE ALTAR

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 him thanks and praise.

Celebrant 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.

For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymns to proclaim the glory of your Name:

*The Sanctus

S #124

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.

Celebrant:

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.

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."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

ALL

We remember his death,

We proclaim his resurrection,

We await his coming in glory;

Celebrant

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 accepta-
ble 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 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 au-
thor of our salvation.

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

ALL

Amen

The Lord's Prayer

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

**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, for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant This is the true bread which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.

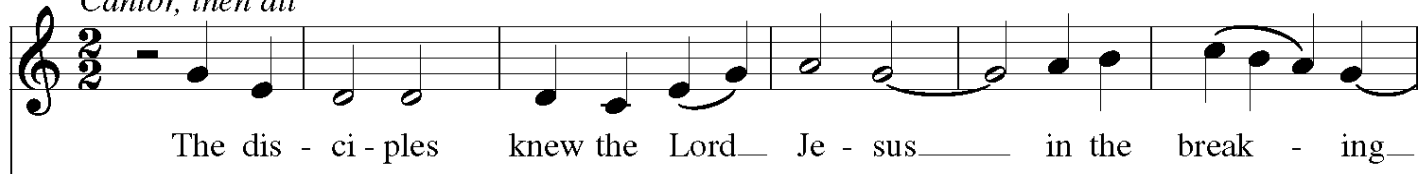
People Whoever eats this bread will live for ever.

Fraction Anthem

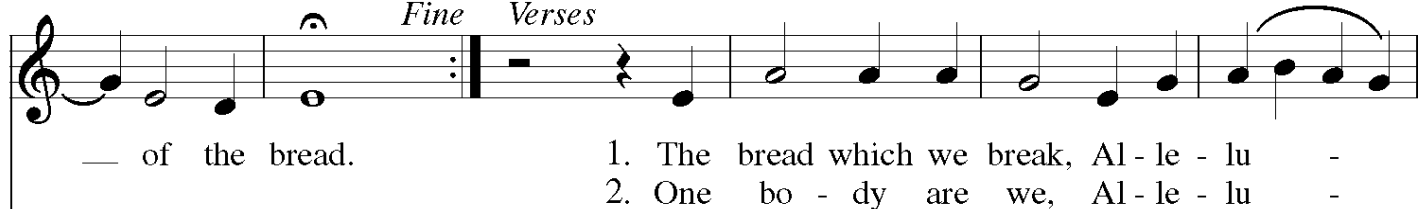
The Disciples Knew the Lord

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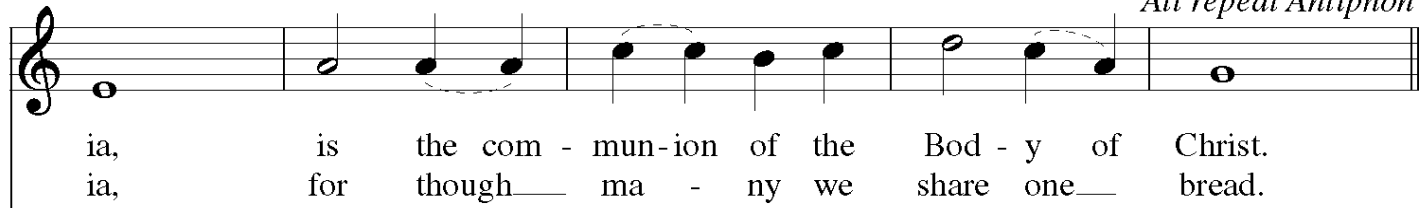
Antiphon
Cantor, then all



Fine Verses



All repeat Antiphon



Celebrant The Gifts of God for the people of God.

Communion Organ Meditation

Steve Sieger

THE CONCLUDING RITES

Prayer after Communion

Celebrant Let us pray

ALL Almighty God, you have given us grace a this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you and you have promised through your well-beloved son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them. Fulfill now, O Lord our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. Amen.

The Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you;
the Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you;
the Lord turn His face toward you and give you peace.

ALL Amen

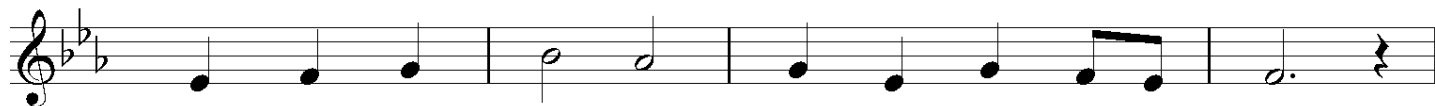
Concluding Hymn

“Go Forth for God”

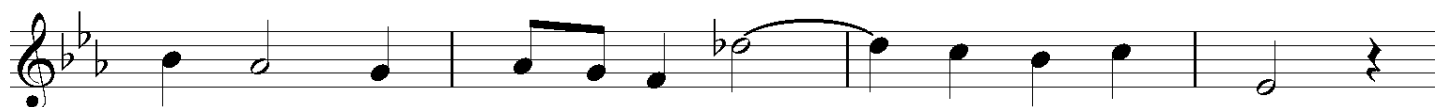
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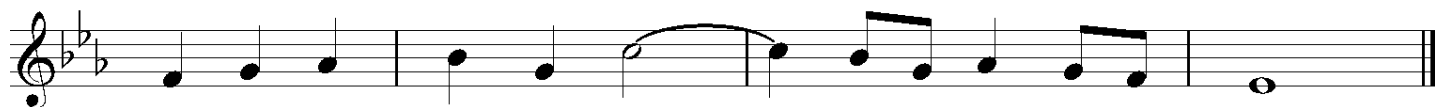
1 Go forth for God; go _____ to the world in peace;
2 Go forth for God; go _____ to the world in love;
3 Go forth for God; go _____ to the world in strength;
4 Go forth for God; go _____ to the world in joy,



be of good cour - age, armed with heaven - ly grace,
strength - en the faint, give cour - age to the weak;
hold fast the good, be ur - gent for the right;
to serve God's peo - ple ev - ery day and hour,



in God's good Spi - rit dai - ly to in - crease,
help the af - flict - ed; rich - ly from a - bove
ren - der to no one e - vil; Christ at length
and ser - ving Christ, our ev - ery gift em - ploy,



till in his king - dom we _____ be - hold his face.
his love sup - plies the grace _____ and power we seek.
shall o - ver - come all dark - ness with his light.
re - joic - ing in the Ho - ly Spi - rit's power.

Dismissal

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia!
People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Postlude

“Allegro Vivo”

Denis Bedard

