Preludes

*Altar party enters stage during preludes.*

*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.

Opening Hymn - Ode to Joy

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee,
God of glory, Lord of Love;
Hearts unfold like flowers before thee,
Praising thee, their sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;
Drive the dark of doubt away;
Giver of immortal gladness,
Fill us with the light of day.

All thy works with joy surround thee,
Earth and heaven reflect thy rays;
Stars and angels sing around thee,
Center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain,
Blooming meadow, flashing sea,
Chanting bird and flowing fountain,
Call us to rejoice in thee.

Thou art giving and forgiving,
Ever blessing, ever blest,
Well-spring of the joy of living,
Ocean depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father, Christ our Brother:
All who live in love are thine;
Teach us how to love each other,
Lift us to the joy divine.

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee,
God of glory, Lord of Love;
Hearts unfold like flowers before thee,
Praising thee, their sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;
Drive the dark of doubt away;
Giver of immortal gladness,
Fill us with the light of day.

Light of day...

Light of day...

Giver of immortal gladness,
Fill us with the light of day.


The Celebrant says to the people

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

Gracious God, for one hundred years you have guided and sustained the mission and ministry of this Episcopal Diocese of Southwestern Virginia. As we prepare for another century, stir up your life-giving Spirit in our congregations to revive and renew us for the spreading of the Gospel: Draw us out among our neighbors and help us understand the deep longings of their hearts. Guide us forward so that we may be leaven for the world; a gathering strong for service and glad in praise; and a people listening and responding to your presence; through Jesus Christ, our Redeemer and steadfast companion.

People Amen.

The people sit.
First Reading

A Reading from Nehemiah.

All the people of Israel gathered together into the square before the Water Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the Lord had given to Israel. Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law. And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people answered, "Amen, Amen," lifting up their hands. Then they bowed their heads and worshiped the Lord with their faces to the ground. So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation. They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading.

And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, "This day is holy to the Lord your God; do not mourn or weep." For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law. Then he said to them, "Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our Lord; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the Lord is your strength."

After each Reading, the Reader may say

The word of the Lord.
People  Thanks be to God.

Psalm 139 (Sung by Live Hymnal)

Oh God you search me and you know me
All my ways lie open to your gaze
When I walk or lie down you go before me
Ever the maker and keeper of my days

You know my resting and my rising
And you discern my purpose from afar
You are with me beyond my understanding
In every moment, life and death you are
For you created me and shaped me
Gave me life within my mother’s womb
For the wonder of who I am I praise you
God of my present, my past and future too

Although I feel your hand upon me
Still I search for shelter from your light
There is nowhere on earth I can escape you
Even the darkness is radiant in your sight

Oh God you search me and you know me
All my ways lie open to your gaze
When I walk or lie down you go before me
Ever the maker and keeper of my days

Ever the maker and keeper of my days

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Second Reading

A Reading from Paul’s First Letter to the Corinthians.

Just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body--Jews or Greeks, slaves or free--and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. If the foot would say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. And if the ear would say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. If all were a single member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many members, yet one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you," nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you." On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and those members of the body that we think less honorable we clothe with greater honor, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honor to the inferior
member, that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it.

Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? But strive for the greater gifts.

After each Reading, the Reader may say

The word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

The people stand.

Gradual Hymn - South African Alleluia

Alleluia (Repeat)

Then, all standing, the Deacon reads the Gospel, first saying

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
because he has anointed me
to bring good news to the poor.

He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives
and recovery of sight to the blind,
to let the oppressed go free,
to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.”

And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, “Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.”

*After the Gospel, the Reader says*

The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* Praise to you, Lord Christ.

**Song - Let Revival Come (featuring Youth@Convention)**

Heavenly Father, I come  
Don’t have much to offer, Holy One  
I’m humbled by all that you have done  
Even though I walk through the valley,  
I don’t have to fear, No-  
You have called me from my sorrow to gladness,  
I have (you) What more could I want?

Raise my faith a little higher  
Set my spirit on fire  
Lord, we’re asking You to move  
Cause You’re the God of Restoration  
The One who gives salvation  
Lord, Let revival come, Let revival come

Let Revival come.

You are the God who calms the sea  
The same God who healeth me  
You are the One who makes me strong  
And even though I walk through the valley,  
I don’t have to fear, No-  
You have called me from my sorrow to gladness,  
I have you What more could I want?
Raise my faith a little higher
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Raise my faith a little higher
Set my spirit on fire
Lord, we’re asking You to move
Cause You’re the God of Restoration
The One who gives salvation
Lord, Let revival come, Let revival come

Revive me, Revive me with the
Joy that You bring Joy that You bring (8x’s)

Now my hands are up higher
Now my spirit’s on fire
Lord, we’re asking You to move
’Cause You’re the God of Restoration
The One who gives salvation
Lord, Let revival come...

Now my hands are up higher
Now my spirit’s on fire
Lord, we’re asking You to move
’Cause You’re the God of Restoration
The One who gives salvation
Lord, Let revival come,
Let revival come.

Let revival come.

Revive me, Revive me with the
Joy that You bring Joy that You bring (4x’s)
The Sermon - The Most Rev. Michael B. Curry, 27th Presiding Bishop of The Episcopal Church

All stand.

Way of Love Covenant

Leader: Jesus’ way is the way of love. In him we find more love, freedom and abundant life. You are invited to turn toward Jesus and to commit to follow his Way of Love in the context of Christian community, trusting in his power to change each of our lives and to change this world.

After each bidding, all who desire to make this commitment should join in proclaiming: By the Spirit’s power, we will.

Leader: Will you turn and center your life on Jesus, falling in love with our Lord again and again and again?
People: By the Spirit’s power, we will.
Leader: Will you ground your life in the life and teachings of Jesus, as revealed in scripture? And will you pray and simply listen for God’s voice in your life and in the world?
People: By the Spirit’s power, we will.
Leader: Will you gather together in worship, to break bread and to thank and praise God? And will you bless this world with your story, your resources, and your labor?
People: By the Spirit’s power, we will.
Leader: Will you cross boundaries and fearlessly become God’s Beloved Community? And will you take rest, receiving God’s gift of grace and restoration, and letting God be God?
People: By the Spirit’s power, we will.
Bishop: May the God who formed all things in Love, draw you near to God’s own heart, empower you by the power of the Spirit to live the Way of Love with fellow travelers, and send you to participate in the resurrection and healing of God’s world. And may the blessing of our Lord – loving, liberating and life-giving – be with us and remain with us forever and ever.

All: Amen.

Prayers of the People

In peace and in faith, joining with the martyrs, saints, and angels, let us offer our prayers, singing, “Lord, in your mercy. Hear our prayer.”
For the Universal Church and the priesthood of all believers, especially those around the world facing persecution and death because of their faith, let us pray.

_Sung Response_

    Lord, in your mercy.

_People_    Hear our prayer.

For the mission of the Church, that it may preach the Good News of redemption and peace to the ends of the earth in this time and place, let us pray.

_Sung Response_

    Lord, in your mercy.

_People_    Hear our prayer.

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, for Mark, our Bishop, and for all other Bishops, priests, and deacons, let us pray.

_Sung Response_

    Lord, in your mercy.

_People_    Hear our prayer.

For this nation, all the nations of the world, and for those in positions of authority, that divisions may cease and the Kingdom of God may come on earth as it is in heaven, let us pray.

_Sung Response_

    Lord, in your mercy.

_People_    Hear our prayer.

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, those in prison, and all who are in danger, let us pray.

_Sung Response_

    Lord, in your mercy.

_People_    Hear our prayer.

For the special needs and concerns of those gathered here, all those commended to our parish prayer lists, and those for whom no one prays. Let us pray.

_Sung Response_
Lord, in your mercy.

People  Hear our prayer.

For those in joy and in sorrow, those in need of healing, and all those we name aloud at this time.

Let us pray.

Sung Response

Lord, in your mercy.

People  Hear our prayer.

For those who have died in the hope of the resurrection, especially those we name aloud at this time.

Let us pray.

Sung Response

Lord, in your mercy.

People  Hear our prayer.

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People  And also with you.

People greet each other with a sign of peace.

The people are seated.

Announcements and Welcome

Offertory

Money collected will be split between The Harrison Museum of African American Culture per the request of The Dumas Legacy, Inc. Board and The Bishop's Dollar Fund of the Diocese of Southwestern Virginia.

Hymn - Love Divine

Love divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heaven, to earth come down,
Fix in us Thy humble dwelling,
All thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, thou art all compassion,
Pure, unbounded love Thou art;
Visit us with thy salvation,
Enter every trembling heart.

Come, almighty to deliver,
Let us all thy life receive;
Suddenly return, and never,
Nevermore thy temples leave.

Thee we would be always blessing,
Serve thee as thy hosts above,
Pray, and praise thee without ceasing,
Glory in thy perfect love.

Finish then thy new creation;
Pure and spotless let us be;
Let us see thy great salvation
Perfectly restored in thee:

Changed from glory into glory,
Till in Heaven we take our place,
Till we cast our crowns before thee,
Lost in wonder, love and praise.

Changed from glory into glory,
Till in Heaven we take our place
Till we cast our crowns before thee,
Lost in wonder, love and praise.


Eucharistic Prayer 2 (from *Enriching Our Worship*)

_Celebrant_    The Lord be with you._People_    And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love. And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God.
Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing the wine to be Consecrated.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, 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. Again, he gave thanks to you, 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.”

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice. Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth
and make us your new creation,  
the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.  
In the fullness of time bring us,  
with all your saints,  
from every tribe and language and people and nation,  
to feast at the banquet prepared  
from the foundation of the world.  
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. AMEN.

As our Savior Christ  
has taught us,  
we now pray,

*People and Celebrant*

Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your Name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial,  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and for ever. Amen.

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.*

*A period of silence is kept.*

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
*Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.*
Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

Taste and see that God is good. The Gifts of God for the People of God.

**Hymns During Communion:**

**Kumbaya**

Kumbaya, my Lord. Kumbaya.

Come by here...

Someone’s singing, Lord...

Someone’s praying, Lord...

Someone’s dancing, Lord...

Someone’s crying, Lord...

Kumbaya, my Lord...

**Jesus Christ is Waiting**

Jesus Christ is waiting
Waiting in the streets
No one else his neighbor
All alone he eats
Listen Lord Jesus
I am lonely too
Make me friend or stranger
Fit to wait on you.

Jesus Christ is raging
Raging in the streets
Where injustice spirals
And real hope retreats.
Listen, lord Jesus
I am angry too
In the Kingdom’s causes
Let me rage with you.

Jesus Christ is healing
Healing in the streets
Curing those who suffer
Touching those he greets.
Listen, Lord Jesus
I have pity too
Let my care be active
Healing just like you.

Jesus Christ is dancing
Dancing in the streets
Where each sign of hatred
He, with love, defeats
Listen Lord Jesus
I should triumph too.
Where good conquers evil
Let me dance with you.

Jesus Christ is calling
Calling in the streets
‘Who will join my journey,
I will guide their feet’
Listen, Lord Jesus
Let my fears be few
Walk one step before me
I will follow you.


**Just a Closer Walk with Thee**

Just a closer walk with Thee
Grant me Jesus if you please
Daily walking close with Thee
Oh, my Lord, a closer walk with Thee.
I am weak but Thou art strong
Jesus keep me from all wrong
I’ll be satisfied as long
As I walk, dear Lord, close to Thee.
When my feeble life is over
Time for me will be no more
Guide me safely to that shore
To Thy kingdom’s shore, to Thy shore
Just a closer walk with Thee
Grant me Jesus if you please
Daily walking close with Thee
Oh, my Lord, a closer walk with Thee

Here I Am, Lord

I, the Lord of sea and sky,
I have heard my people cry
All who dwell in dark and sin,
my hand will save.
I who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright
Who will bear my light to them,
whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord.
Is it I Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord,
if you lead me
I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain,
I have borne my people’s pain.
I have wept for love of them,
they turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone,
give them hearts for love alone
I will speak my word to them, whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord.
Is it I Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord,
if you lead me
I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of wind and flame,
I will tend the poor and lame
I will set a feast for them,
my hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide,
till their hearts be satisfied
I will give my life to them,
whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord.
Is it I Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord,
if you lead me
I will hold your people in my heart.

I will hold your people in my heart.


**Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing**

Come thou fount of every blessing,
Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing,
Call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet,
Sung by flaming tongues above.
Praise the mount! Oh, fix me on it,
Mount of God’s unchanging love.

Here I find my greatest treasure;  
Hither by Thy help I’ve come;  
And I hope by Thy good pleasure,  
Safely to arrive at home.  
Jesus sought me when a stranger,  
Wandering from the fold of God;  
He, to rescue me from danger,  
Interposed His precious blood.

Oh to grace how great a debtor  
Daily I’m constrained to be!  
Let Thy goodness like a fetter,  
Bind my wandering heart to Thee.  
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,  
Prone to leave the God I love;  
Here’s my heart, O take and seal it,  
Seal it for Thy courts above.

Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,  
Prone to leave the God I love;  
Here’s my heart, O take and seal it,  
Seal it for Thy courts above.


Take, O Take Me As I Am

Take, O take me as I am.  
Summon out what I shall be.  
Set your seal upon my heart,  
And live in me.

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After Communion, the people stand and the Celebrant says
Let us pray.

Celebrant and People
God of Love, you have nourished us in this sacrament of bread and wine; help us to hunger and thirst every day for closer union with you.  
You have filled our hearts with joy and song; help us to step out and share hope with our neighbors, near and far.  
You have come into our midst and given us glimpse of heaven; help us to join in making this earth more and more the Beloved Community that is your dream for all of creation, through Jesus Christ our Lord and by the power of the Spirit.

People Amen!

The Bishop may bless the people.

Recessional Hymn - Sing a New Church

Summoned by the God who made us, rich in our diversity.  
Gathered in the name of Jesus, richer, still, in unity.

Let us bring the gifts that differ and in splendid, varied ways, sing a new church into being, one in faith and love and praise.

Radiant, risen from the water robed in holiness and light, male and female, in God's image male and female, God's delight.

Let us bring the gifts that differ and in splendid, varied ways, sing a new church into being, one in faith and love and praise.

Trust the goodness of creation, trust the Spirit strong within.
Dare to dream the vision promised, sprung from seed of what has been.

Let us bring the gifts that differ and in splendid, varied ways, sing a new church into being, one in faith and love and praise.

Draw together at one table all the human family. Shape a circle ever wider, and a people ever free.

Let us bring the gifts that differ and in splendid, varied ways, sing a new church into being, one in faith and love and praise.


The Deacon dismisses them with these words

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

Postlude
Participants
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Celebrant: The Rt. Rev. Mark A. Bourlakas
Chaplains to the Presiding Bishop: The Rev. Canon Stephanie Spellers and The Rev. Canon Mark Stevenson
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Second Reader: Dory Gilmer
Prayers of the People: Jo Kelley
Way of Love Covenant Reader: The Rev. Canon Stephanie Spellers, Margo Haske, and Jacob Jackson
Liturgist: The Rev. Canon Connor B. Gwin