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Episcopal Church
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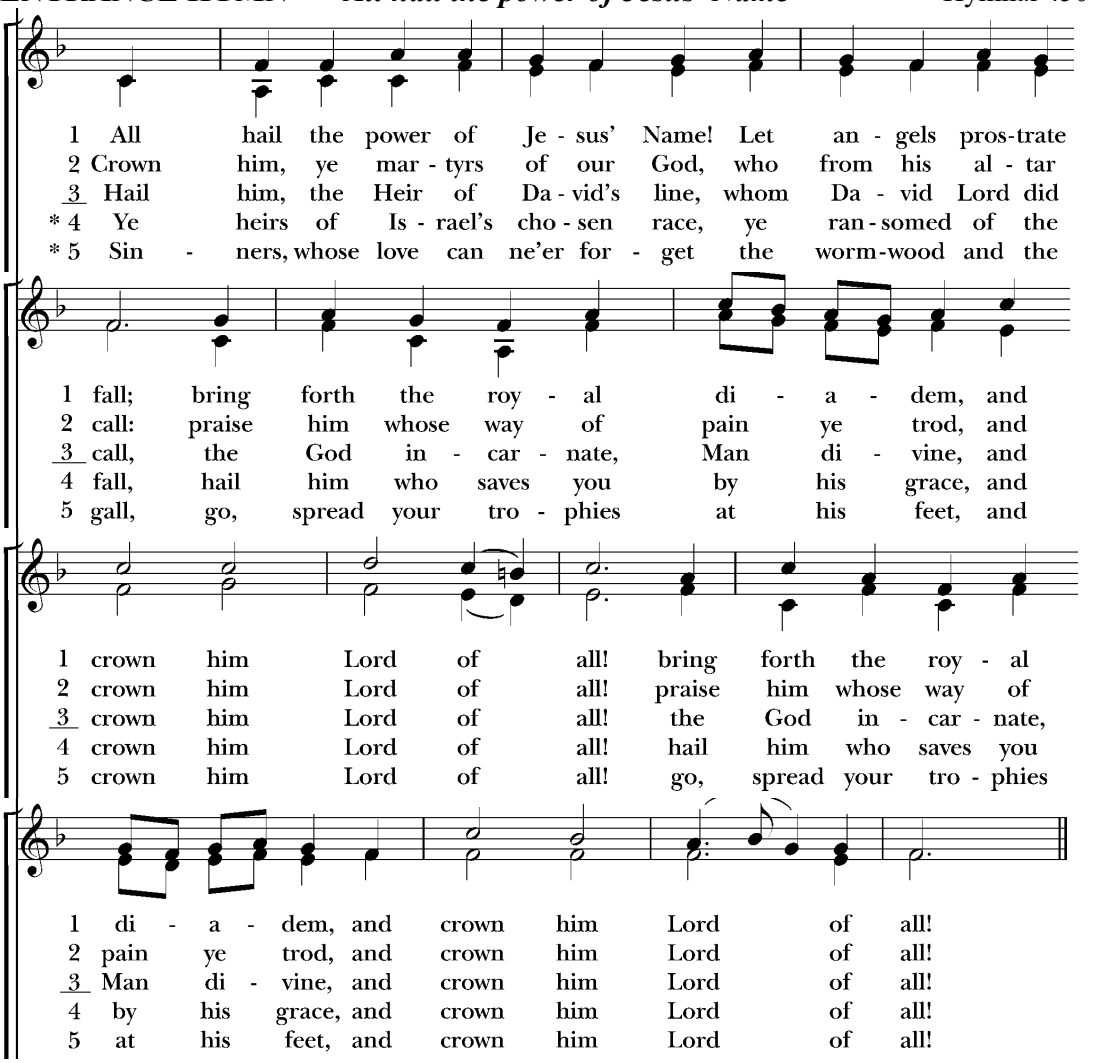
Last Sunday after Pentecost: Christ the King

November 22, 2026
10:30am

The Rt. Reverend Russell Kendrick, Bishop
The Reverend William M. Lowry III, Rector
The Reverend Jessica Walker, Assistant Priest

The Holy Eucharist Rite Two

ENTRANCE HYMN ***All hail the power of Jesus' Name*** Hymnal 450



6 Let every kindred, every tribe,
on this terrestrial ball,
to him all majesty ascribe,
and crown him Lord of all!

The Word of God

OPENING ACCLAMATION BCP p. 355

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

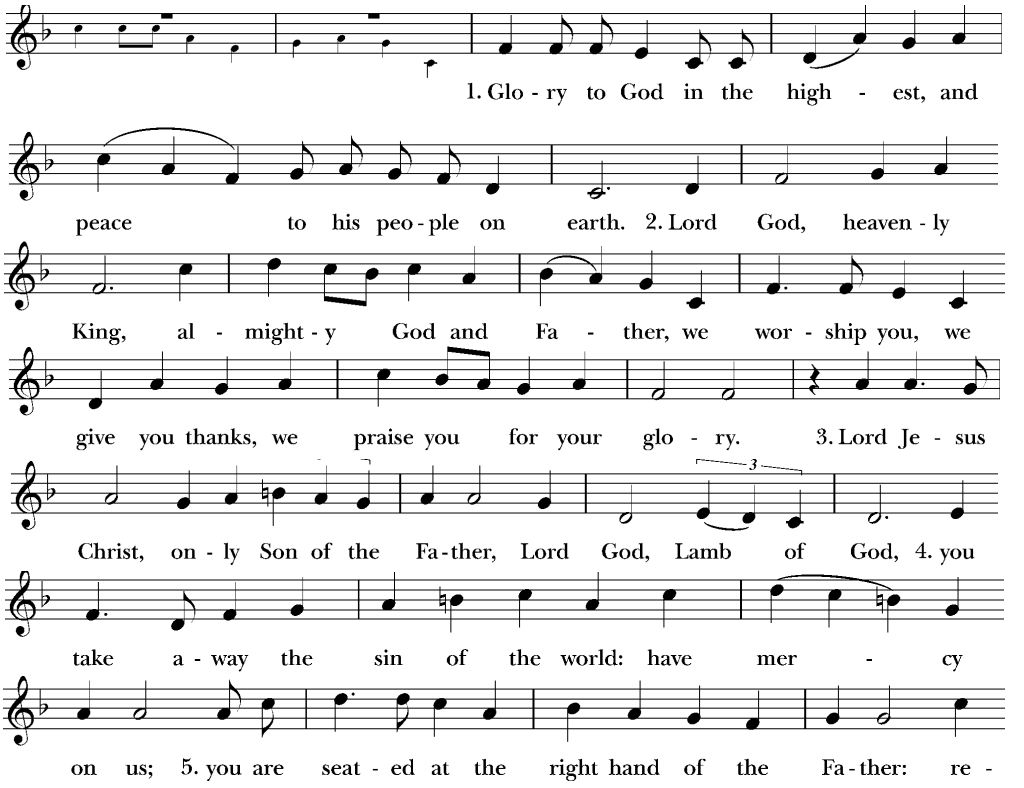
COLLECT FOR PURITY BCP p. 355

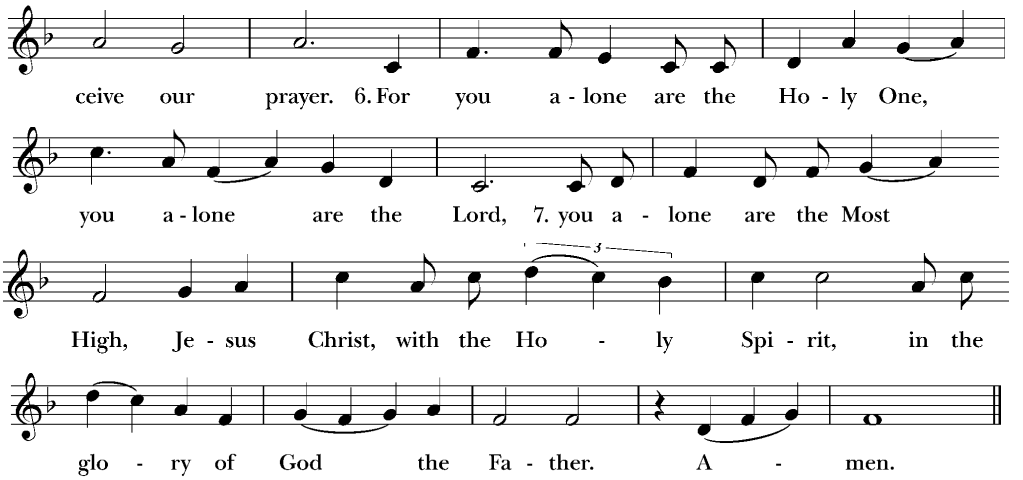
The Celebrant may say

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

SONG OF PRAISE ***Glory to God*** Hymnal S 280

The following is sung, all standing as able





THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

The people sit.

The Lessons

FIRST READING: Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

A Reading from the book of the Prophet Ezekiel.

Thus says the Lord GOD: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the

inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord GOD. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice. Therefore, thus says the Lord GOD to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep. I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I, the LORD, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the LORD, have spoken.

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

Silence may follow.

PSALM: Psalm 100
Please read with me the Psalm responsively by half verse. (Responses in bold.)

[1]Be joyful in the LORD, all you lands; *
serve the LORD with gladness and come before his presence with a song.
[2]Know this: The LORD himself is God; *
he himself has made us, and we are his;
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.
[3]Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his courts with praise; *
give thanks to him and call upon his Name.
[4]For the LORD is good; his mercy is everlasting; *
and his faithfulness endures from age to age.

SECOND READING: Ephesians 1:15-23
A Reading from the Letter to the Ephesians.

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

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

Silence may follow.

GRADUAL HYMN ***Majesty*** Alleluia III 113 (yellow book)

GOSPEL: Matthew 25:31-46
All stand as able.
Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

[Jesus said,] "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.'

Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family you did it to me.' Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?' Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON The Reverend Will Lowry

Brief moment of silence to follow.

THE CREED BCP p. 358

All stand as able.

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

All remain standing as able.

Celebrant: Sovereign and loving God, our church gathers before you as sheep listening to their shepherd: Give us a spirit of wisdom and revelation as we come to know our Savior Jesus Christ and as we bring before you our prayers and intercessions, saying: For you are our God; we are the people of your pasture and the sheep of your hand.

Litanist: Gracious God, your Church is Christ's body, the fullness of him who fills all in all: Inspire our service to the least of these, that we may feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty, welcome strangers, clothe the naked, and visit the imprisoned, as faithful servants of the hope to which Christ has called us. We pray especially for

Sarah, Archbishop of Canterbury; Sean, our Presiding Bishop; Russell, our Bishop; Will, our Rector; Jessica, our Deacon; and all other clergy and ministers of your church.
For you are our God;

we are the people of your pasture and the sheep of your hand.

Gather the nations before you, O Sovereign One, to feed your creation with justice. We pray especially for Donald, our President; Kay, our Governor; Robert, our Mayor and Tony, Mayor of Orange Beach, and all recently elected officials.
For you are our God;

we are the people of your pasture and the sheep of your hand.

Look upon all the people of the earth, O Compassionate One, to seek the scattered and feed them with good pasture: Let them lie down in good grazing land, where their God may be their shepherd. We pray especially for our brothers and sisters in Ukraine and Russia, in Israel and Palestine and all of the Middle East, and all victims of violence. Bring your peace to our world. We pray for all First Responders, Law Enforcement and Members of the Armed Forces, both at home and abroad, especially our parishioner Chris.
For you are our God;

we are the people of your pasture and the sheep of your hand.

Enlighten the eyes of the hearts of the people of this community that we may live in the hope to which Jesus has called us and put power to work in Christ.
For you are our God;

we are the people of your pasture and the sheep of your hand.

Seek the lost, O Loving One, bring back the strayed, bind up the injured and strengthen the weak, especially those for whom we offer intercession: our parishioners Cal, Carol, Mike, Norma, Al, Norma, Kimberly, Jane, Pam, Evie, Joy, Peter, Lee, Dick, Dawn, June, Ellie and all on our prayer list.
Accept our thanksgiving for all the goodness of life.
Bring those who have died to the riches of Christ's glorious inheritance among the saints.
May all humanity inherit the kingdom prepared for us from before the foundation of the world.
For you are our God;

we are the people of your pasture and the sheep of your hand.

Celebrant: You are our God, O gracious Shepherd, and you care for all of your sheep: Lead your creation into the fullness of your compassion, that with the eyes of our hearts enlightened, all people may know the kindness of your care and the riches of your glory, through Jesus Christ our Savior, who with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, One God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

CONFESSION OF SIN

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The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Priest stands and says

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

THE PEACE

BCP p. 360

All stand as able.

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

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

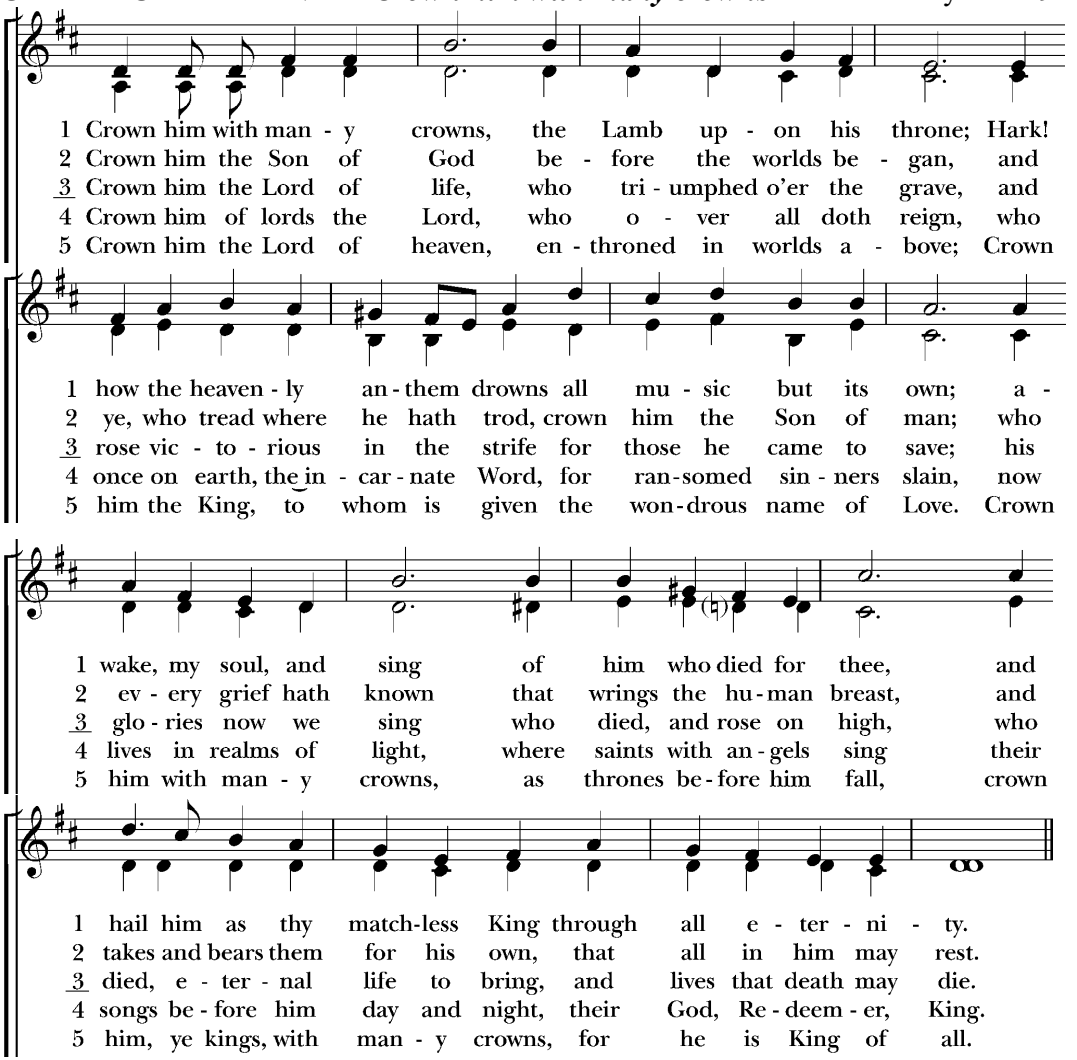
The Holy Communion

OFFERTORY BCP p. 376

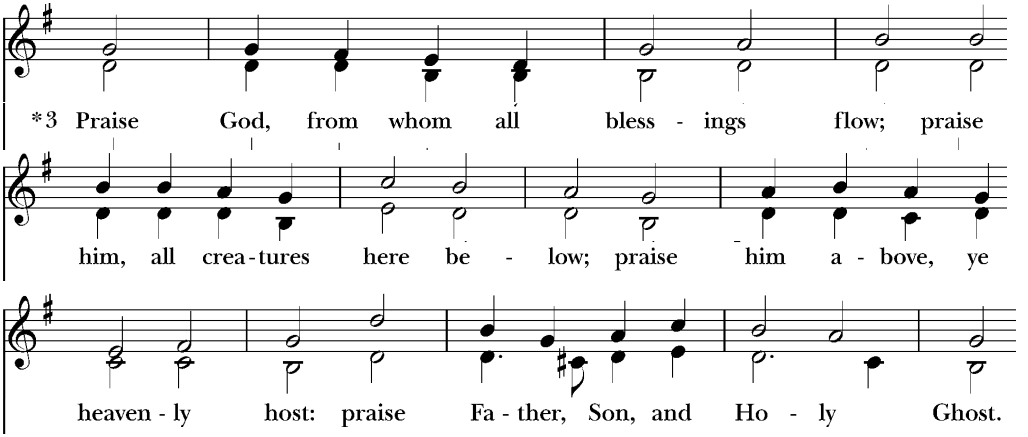
The Celebrant says

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

OFFERTORY HYMN ***Crown him with many crowns*** Hymnal 494



DOXOLOGY



Celebrant All things come of thee O Lord
People And of thine own have we given thee.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A BCP p. 355

The People remain standing as able.

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.

Facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

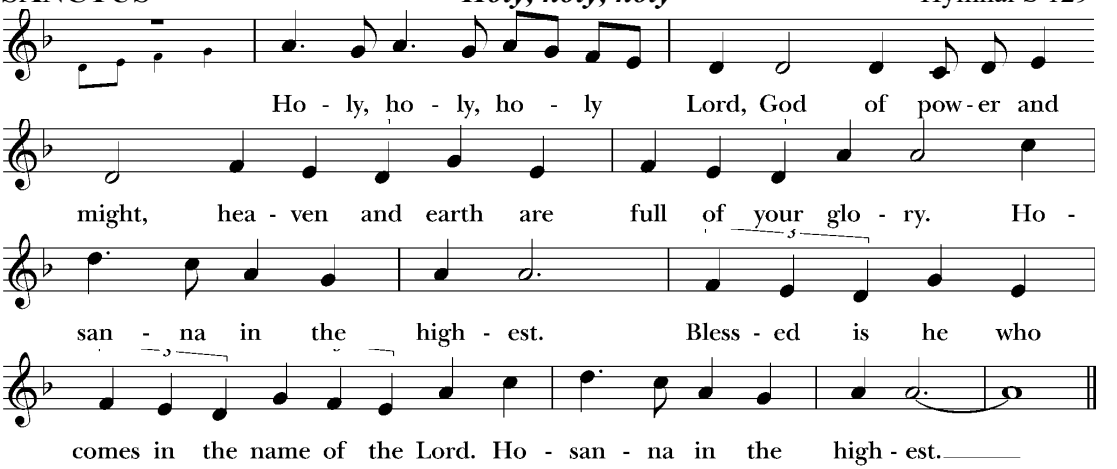
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

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 for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Celebrant and People

SANCTUS ***Holy, holy, holy*** Hymnal S 129



The People stand or kneel. The Celebrant continues

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:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

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,

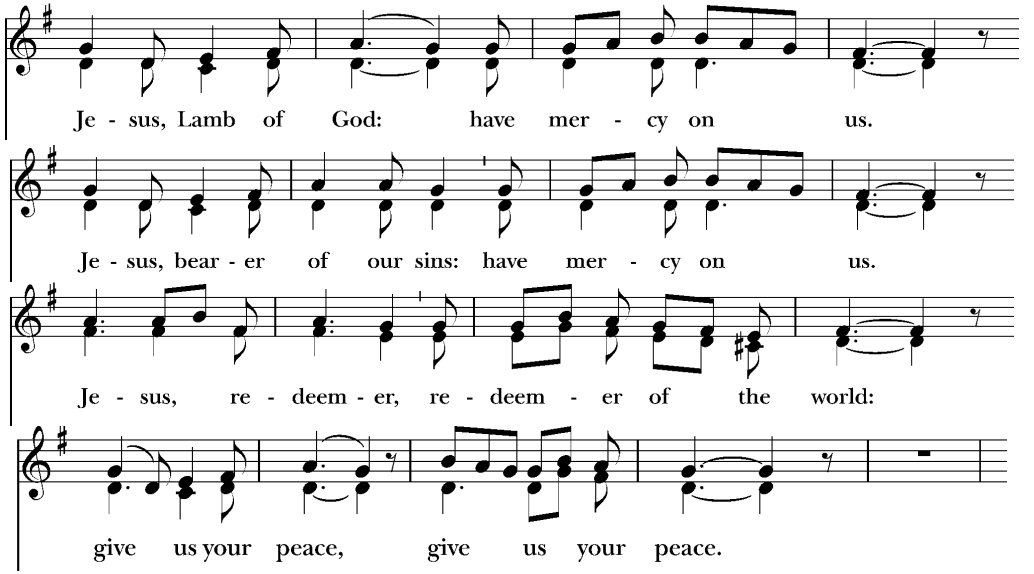
People and Celebrant

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

FRACTION ANTHEM ***Jesus, Lamb of God*** Hymnal S164



INVITATION

The Celebrant says

This is the table, not of the Church but of Jesus Christ. It is made ready for those who love God and who want to love God more. So come, you who have much faith and you who have little, You who have been here often and you who have not been for a long time or ever before, You who have tried to follow and you who have failed. Come, not because the Church invites you; It is Christ who invites you to be known and fed here.

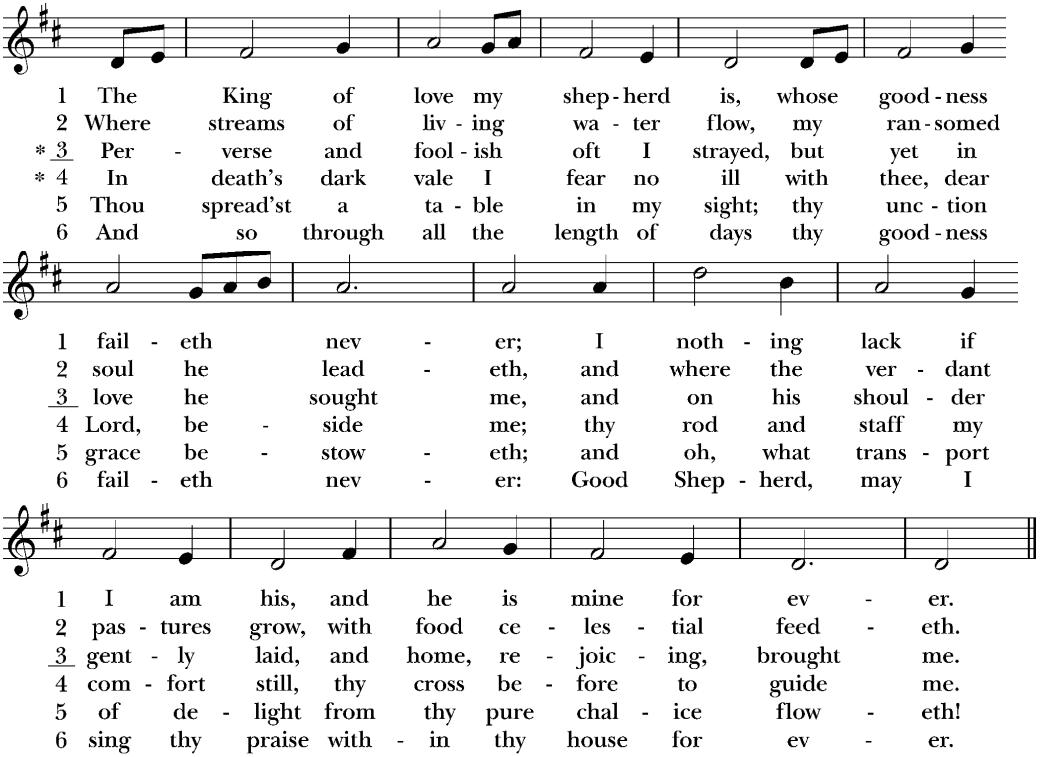
DISTRIBUTION

The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people. ***Wine may be received by drinking from the chalice or by intinction.***

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

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. [*Amen*.]
The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. [*Amen*.]

COMMUNION HYMN ***The King of love my shepherd is*** Hymnal 645



POST-COMMUNION PRAYER BCP p. 365

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

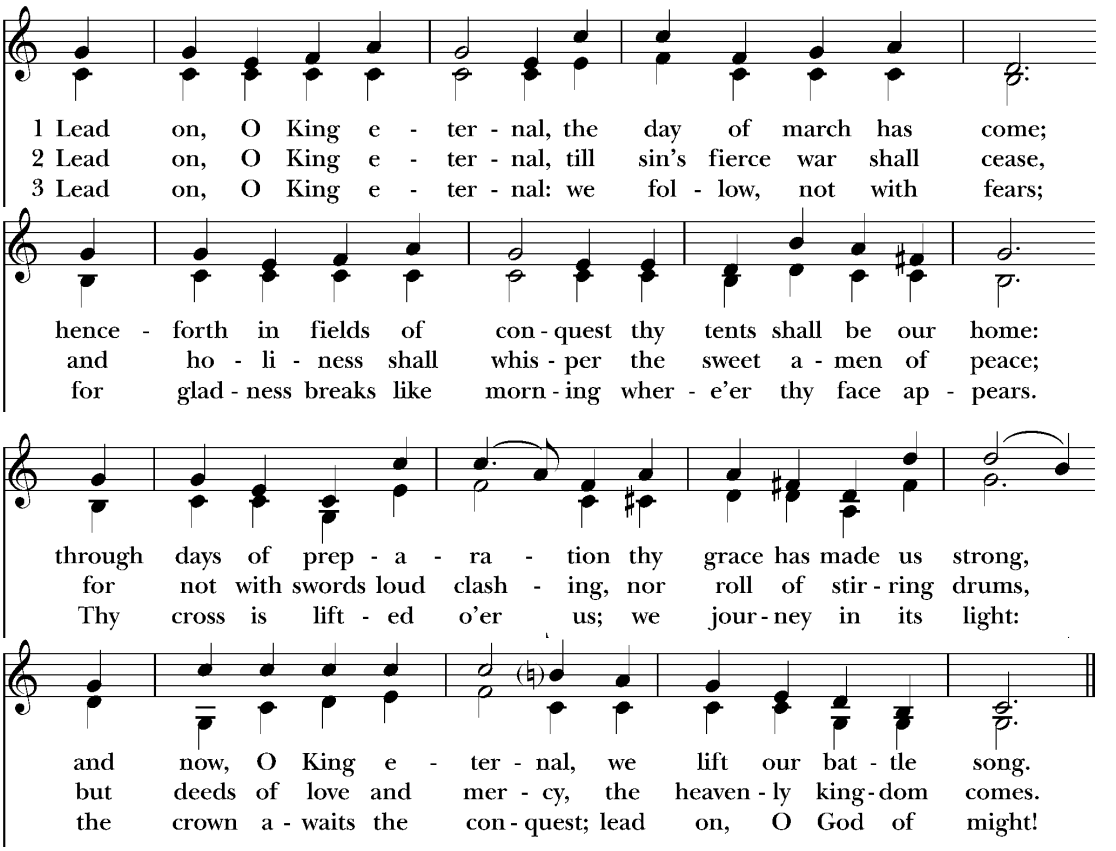
Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness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

BLESSING

The Priest blesses the people, saying

As you leave this place, go forth in peace. Be assured that the past is forgiven and know that the future is in God's hands. Return no evil for evil, remember the poor, pray for the sick, and make no peace with injustice in this world. May the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always. *Amen*

RECESSIONAL HYMN ***Lead on, O King eternal*** Hymnal 555



THE COMMISSIONING BCP p. 366

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

WELCOME TO HOLY SPIRIT EPISCOPAL CHURCH

All who seek to know God in a deeper and more meaningful way are welcome to receive Communion. If you do not wish to receive the Sacraments, just cross your arms and a blessing will be given instead. Gluten free communion wafers are available. Please ask the priest as communion is distributed.

NURSERY: We provide a nursery for your convenience for infants and children up to 4 years old. The nursery opens at 9am. We invite you to bring your child back from the nursery for communion, preferably during the Peace.

Those for whom we pray: Cal & Carol Hanson, Mike & Norma Minchew, Katherine Stribling (Jan Waggoner), Carrietta Nelson (Lillian Bemis), **Al Vondrasek, Norma Black-Glossop**, Kathi Dolder (Sue Wiggins), **Kimberly Worthy,** Deloma Bigham (Rhonda Barber), Laura Hermecz (Lillian Bemis), **Jane Taylor,** Jayne Sharp (Lillian Bemis), Abe & Dianne Kattawar (Rose Johnson), Lisa Kanuth (Kimberly Worthy), Mikki Stanley (Kimberly Worthy), Terry Kilpatrick (Lillian Bemis), Mary Ruth Burnes (Lillian Bemis), **Pam Webster, Evie Loftin,** Joyce Marie Borck (Norma Black-Glossop), Melissa Mackey (Lillian Bemis), **Joy Howell,** Sherry Jo Johnson (Rose Johnson), Melinda DeGraw (Evie Loftin), **Peter Davis,** Henry (Jan Waggoner), Madelyn Grace (Jan Waggoner), Sandra Sanchez (Rose Johnson), Kim Sprovier (Millie Ericson), Ann Hale (Jan Waggoner), **Lee Reid,** Sonya Crawford (Millie Ericson), Cindy Schneider (Nancy Campbell), **Dick Reid, Dawn Johnson, June Hayles, Ellie Brandon**

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In Thanksgiving for Birthdays in November: Vanessa Hoggatt (6th), Jan Pardue (8th), Joe Funderburg (10th), Bev Liebenow (12th), Lee Reid (21st)

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