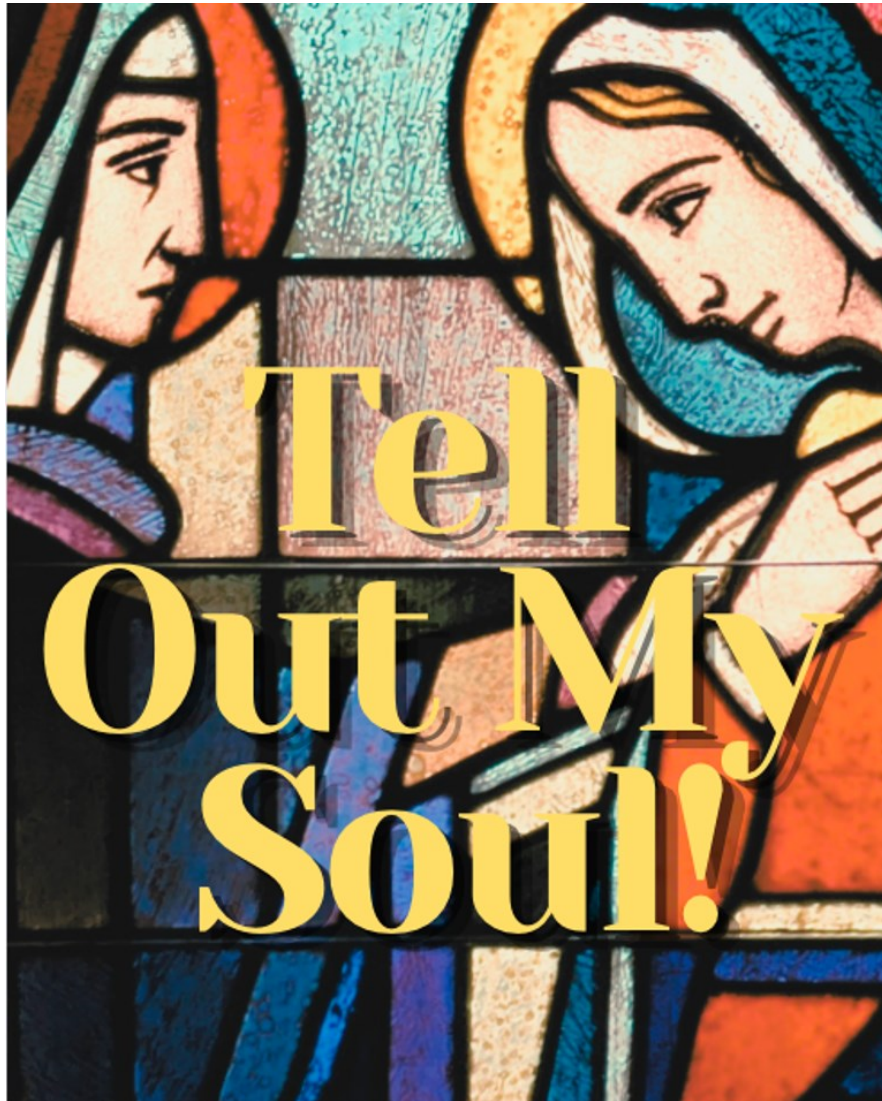




MESSIAH EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost
October 18th, 2026 8:30 and 11 am
Holy Communion, Rite Two

Gathering Season Worship Notes.

The Gospel lessons in early Fall—which we’re calling *Gathering Season*--focus on Jesus’ radical and counter-cultural welcome, to the marginalized and excluded. Parables and stories about the least, the last, and the lost of society attracted to Jesus upside down kingdom of grace. Parables like this, of the Wedding Banquet:

Then the King said to his servants, “The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet”. –Matthew 22:8-9

Our preaching theme for this season is *Jesus’ Radical Welcome*.

A Note for Visitors.

Resisting the urge to project our music and liturgy on screens, as Anglican Christians in the Episcopal Church we pray from the Book of Common Prayer and sing from our Hymnal. Other music is found in your worship bulletin. It is our custom to stand when we praise and profess, kneel when we pray, and sit when we listen. Our clergy will do our best to guide you, as will Messiah members.

Liturgy Changes.

Liturgically, we’ve moved to Eucharistic Prayer A and Prayer Form V as we turn towards Fall. We will acknowledge our sinfulness with the General Confession and hear the words of grace in the Absolution. We will also return to the two-song praise set after the Prayer of Humble Access. All three readings will be read by our Lectors at the 8:30am service for the Fall.

With every blessing,

Rev. Dave+



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THE WORD OF GOD

Please stand.

OPENING HYMN

Lord Of All Hopefulness

Hymnal #482

Please turn in the hymnal to our opening Hymn, Hymn #482 Lord Of All Hopefulness

OPENING ACCLAMATION

BCP p. 355

Please turn in the Book of Common Prayer to p. #355.

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

All And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever.
Amen.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Leader Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known...
...and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

SONGS OF PRAISE

Rejoice



Re - joice in the Lord now and al - ways
Re - joice and be anx - ious for no - thing,
Re - joice in the Lord now and al - ways,



Sing it a - gain we re - joice... De - light in the love He has shown us.
pray - ing for all that you need. Come with a song of thanks - giv - ing,
tell of the good He has done. Wor - ship the Lord to re - mem - ber



Grate - ful - ly lift up your voice. His gen - tle - ness a - mong us will
lay your re - quests at His feet. His peace will fall up - on us to
all of the joy yet to come. The hope that burns with - in us the



join our hearts with praise. We ga - ther in His good - ness a
guard our hearts and minds. In Christ who reigns e - ter - nal the
dark can - not de - stroy. With praise that's ne - ver en - ding we



fa - mi - ly of grace. With each breath He's gi - ven, praise the Lord. In these
Shep - herd of our lives.
sav a - gain re - joice.



times we live in we will praise the Lord. Through - out ev - 'ry sea - son,



I am sure, we have ev - 'ry rea - son to praise the Lord.

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What A Beautiful Name

1. You were the Word at the be - gin - ning, one with
2. You didn't want heav - en with-out us, so Je - sus,

God the Lord Most High. Your hid-den glo - ry in cre - a -
You brought heav - en down. My sin was great, Your love was great-

- - tion, now re - vealed in You our Christ.
- - er; what could sep - a - rate us now?

Chorus 1, 2 & 3

What a beau - ti - ful Name it is, what a beau - ti - ful Name it is,
What a won - der - ful Name it is, what a won - der - ful Name it is,
What a pow - er - ful Name it is, what a pow - er - ful Name it is,

the Name of Je - sus Christ, my King.

What a beau - ti - ful Name it is, noth - ing com - pares to this.
What a won - der - ful Name it is, noth - ing com - pares to this.
What a pow - er - ful Name it is, noth - ing can stand a - gainst.

1 D.C. (V. 2)

What a beau - ti - ful Name it is, the Name of Je - sus.
What a won - der - ful Name it is, the Name of Je - - -
What a pow - er - ful Name it is, the Name of Je - - -

2

- sus. What a won - der - ful Name it is, the Name of Je - sus. *I. To Bridge*
- sus. What a pow - er - ful Name it is, the Name of Je - sus. *Fine*

Bridge

Death could not hold You, the veil tore be - fore
(You have no ri-) val, You have no e -

(Bridge 2)

- You. You si - lence the boast of sin and grave. The heav - ens are roar -
- qual. Now and for - ev - er God, You reign. Yours is the king -

- ing the praise of Your glo - ry for You are raised to life a - gain.
- dom, Yours is the glo - ry, Yours is the Name a - bove all names.

1 (Bridge 2) D.S. (Chorus 3)

- You have no ri - (names.) (Whata pow - er - ful - Name it is,)

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COLLECT OF THE DAY

BCP p. 235

Leader The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Leader Let us pray.

Almighty an everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed...
...and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

All Amen.

All sit.

THE LESSONS

BCP p. 357

(OLD TESTAMENT LESSON (Isaiah 45:1-7)

Bible OT p. 674-675)

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON (1 Thessalonians 1:1-10)

Bible NT p. 203

Please turn in your pew Bible to NT p. # 203.

After the reading:

Reader The word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

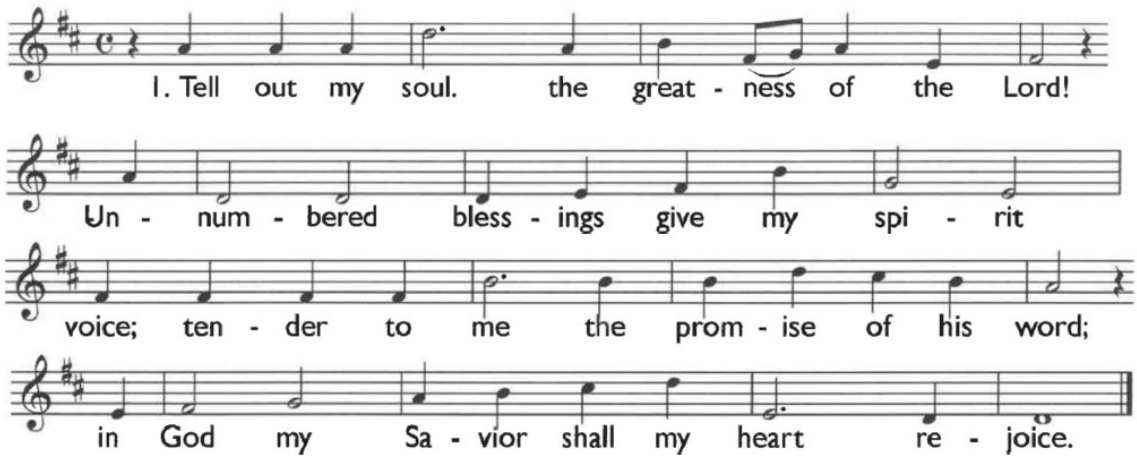
PSALTER: Psalm 96:1-9 (read responsively by whole verse) **BCP p. 725-726**

Please turn in the Book of Common Prayer to p. #703.

All stand.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Tell Out My Soul



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All stand.

THE HOLY GOSPEL (Matthew 22:15-22) Bible NT p. 24-25

Please turn in your pew Bible to NT p. # 24.

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

All Glory to you, Lord Christ.

After the reading:

Reader The Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, Lord Christ.

All sit.

THE SERMON the Rev. Paul Johnson

All stand.

THE NICENE CREED **BCP p. 358**

Please turn in the Book of Common Prayer, p. #358, as we profess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed.

All We believe in one God...
... and the life of the world to come. Amen

Please kneel as you are able.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: FORM V **BCP p. 389-391**

Leader In peace, let us pray to the Lord, saying, “*Lord, have mercy*”
For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled...
...we pray to you, O Lord.

*Here and after every petition the People respond, “**Lord, have mercy**”.*

CONFESSION OF SIN **BCP p. 359-360**

All stand.

ABSOLUTION & PEACE BCP p. 360

Leader The peace of the Lord be always with you.
Maw Ywa, ata ghu ta poe, oh taw thu da kay.

All And also with you.
Maw oh taw, na thar da kay.

Please take a moment to share the sign of peace with those around you.

All sit.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

A greeting from our clergy to Messiah members and our guests; we’ll also share news for the Messiah community.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY

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

The bread and wine are brought forward and the offering is received.

OFFERTORY HYMN

I Surrender

1. The riches of this world will fade
The treasures of our God remain
Here I empty myself to owe this world nothing
And find ev'rything in You

Chorus I surrender I surrender I surrender all to You

2. Take my life a sacrifice
In You alone I'm satisfied
Here I empty myself to owe this world nothing
And find ev'rything in You
Oh oh ev'rything in You

Bridge Not my will but Yours be done
Not my strength but Yours alone
Nothing else but You O Lord
I find ev'rything in You

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All stand as offering is brought forward.

Leader All things come from you, O God.

All And from your own have we given you.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER A BCP p. 361

Please turn in the Book of Common Prayer to p. # 361

Leader The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Leader Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Leader Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Leader It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always...

...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:

SANCTUS

Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God
of hosts. Heav-en and earth are filled with your
glo - - - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless-ed is He who comes in the name of the Lord,
of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the
high - - - est, Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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Leader Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself...
...Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

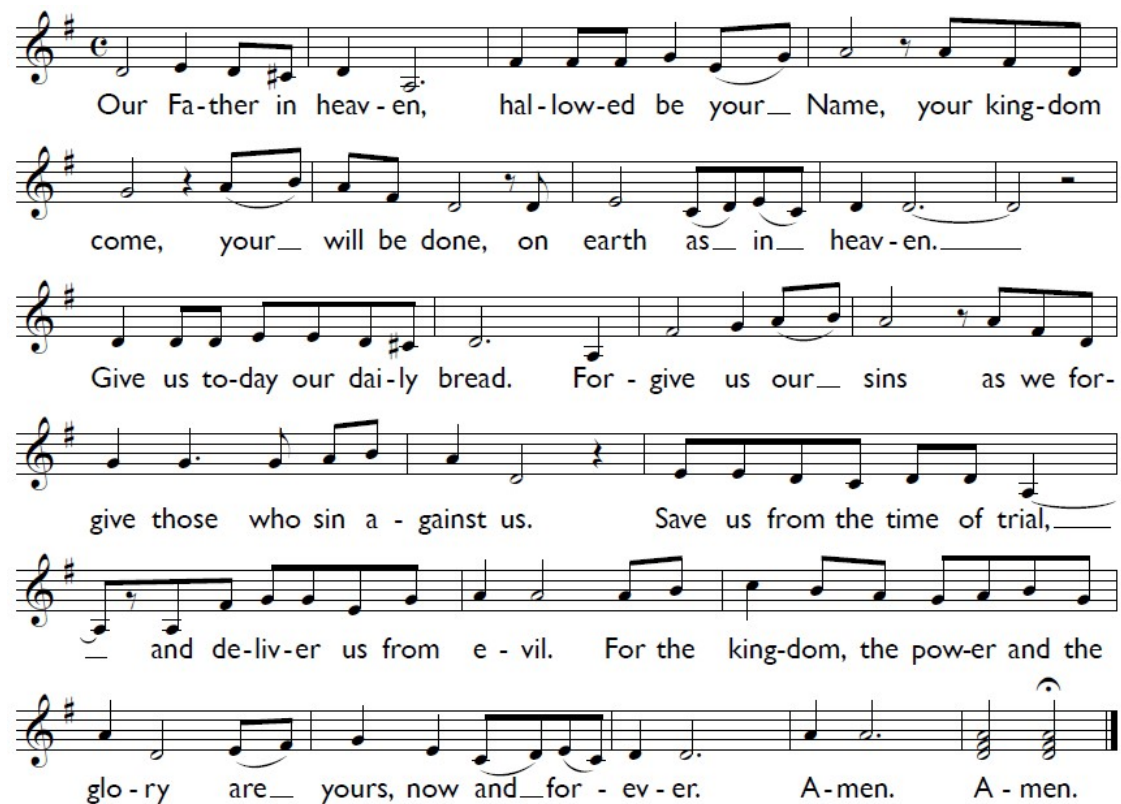
**All Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

Leader We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father...
... 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.**

Please kneel as you are able.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Leader And now as Jesus has taught us, we are bold to say:



Our Fa-ther in heav-en, hal-low-ed be your__ Name, your king-dom
come, your__ will be done, on earth as__ in__ heav-en.____
Give us to-day our dai-ly bread. For - give us our__ sins as we for-
give those who sin a - gainst us. Save us from the time of trial,____
and de-liv-er us from e - vil. For the king-dom, the pow-er and the
glo - ry are__ yours, now and__ for - ev - er. A-men. A - men.

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THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

BCP p. 364-366

Please turn in the Book of Common Prayer to p. #364.

Leader Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

All Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Leader The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance ...
... and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

All are invited to kneel in prayer at the Communion. The ushers will release you, one pew at a time, to kneel at the Altar Rail to receive Holy Communion. All baptized believers in Jesus are welcome to receive the Eucharist. A special note to visitors: If you are accustomed to receiving Holy Communion in your home Church, no matter what its denomination, you are also welcome to receive Holy Communion. After receiving the bread, one is free to receive the chalice. If you would prefer to receive the bread only, simply cross your arms in front of you. And, if you would prefer to receive a blessing only, please also signify by crossing your arms. Thank you. Please notify the usher if you need communion brought to you in the pew.

8:30 am service: Healing team members George and Joanne Slinger are available for prayer during communion.

11 am service: Healing team members are available for prayer during communion.

COMMUNION MUSIC

Better Is One Day



How love - ly is your dwell - ling place, O Lord, Al - might - y, For
One thing I ask and I would seek; to see your beau - ty, To

my soul longs and e - ven faints for you. For here my heart is
find you in the place your glo - ry dwells. One thing I ask and

sat - is - fied with - in your pres - ence. I sing be - neath the
I would seek; to see your beau - ty, To find you in the

sha - dow of your wings. place your glo - ry dwells. *Chorus*
Bet - ter is one day in your courts, Bet - ter is

one day in your house, Bet - ter is one day in your courts than thou - sands

else - where. Bet - ter is one day in your courts, Bet - ter is

one day in your house, Bet - ter is one day in your courts than thou - sands

1. 3. 4. D.C. 2. else - where. than thou - sands else - where, else - where.

My heart and flesh cry out for you the Liv - ing God. Your Spi - rit's wa - ter to my

soul. I've tast - ed and I've seen. Come once a - gain to me.

I will draw near to you; I will draw near to you, to you. *To Bridge, then D.S. (to Chorus)*

Bridge Better is one day; better is one day, Better is one day than thousands elsewhere. (2 X)

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Break Thou The Bread Of Life

Break Thou the bread of life, Dear Lord, to me,
Bless Thou the truth, dear Lord, Now un - to me,
Thou art the bread of life, O Lord, to me,
O send Thy Spir - it, Lord, Now un - to me,

Be - yond the sa - cred page I seek Thee, Lord;
Then shall all bond-age cease, All fet - ters fall;
Give me to eat and live With Thee a - bove;
Show me the truth con - cealed With - in Thy Word,

As Thou didst break the loaves Be - side the sea;
As Thou didst bless the bread By Gal - i - lee;
Thy ho - ly Word the truth That sav - eth me;
That He may touch mine eyes And make me see;

My spir - it pants for Thee, O liv - ing Word!
And I shall find my peace, My all in all.
Teach me to love Thy truth, for Thou art love.
And in Thy Book re - vealed I see the Lord.

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At Messiah we generally stand for the last Communion song, the Altar party will stand first.

Promises

1. God of Abraham, You're the God of covenant, of faithful promises.
Time and time again You have proven you do just what You say.

Pre-Chorus Though the storms may come and the winds may blow, I'll remain steadfast.
And let my heart learn when You speak a word it will come to pass.

Chorus Great is Your faithfulness to me.
Great is Your faithfulness to me.
From the rising sun to the setting same, I will praise Your name.
Great is Your faithfulness to me.

(Interlude Seasons change, You remain the same)

2. God from age to age, though the earth may pass away, Your word remains the same.
Your history can prove there's nothing You can't do. You're faithful and true.

Pre-Chorus Though the storms may come and the winds may blow, You'll remain steadfast.
And let my heart learn when You speak a word it will come to pass.

Chorus Great is Your faithfulness to me.
Great is Your faithfulness to me.
From the rising sun to the setting same, I will praise Your name.
Great is Your faithfulness to me.

Interlude Oh, Your faithfulness, it never runs out,
It never runs out.
Oh, Your faithfulness, it never runs out, (never runs out),
It never runs out (never runs out).

Bridge I put my faith in Jesus, my anchor to the ground.
My hope and firm foundation, He'll never let me down. (Repeat, then >*Chorus*)

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

BCP p. 365

Please turn in the Book of Common Prayer to p. #365.

Leader Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members
... with gladness and singleness of heart, through Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

THE BLESSING

BCP p. 366

The Celebrant offers a blessing to the people in the name of God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

CLOSING HYMN

Beneath The Cross Of Jesus

Hymnal #498

Please turn in the hymnal to our closing Hymn, Hymn #498 Beneath The Cross Of Jesus

၁. လာဘ်ထူ၍စုညါဂီၢ်ထံး, မိၣ်လဲၤအိၣ်တၢ်ယသး, မ့ၢ်လုၤထီၣ်တၢ်ကရု, လာၤလီၤသယုၤသတၢ်, တၢ်အိၣ်တၢ်တၢ်တၢ်တၢ်, တၢ်အိၣ်တၢ်လီၤလၢကၤ, တၢ်မူၤဖျါးလၢတၢ်နးကီၢ်ဆါ, ယးယၢတၢ်ဆီလဲၤ.	၂. လာထူၣ်စုညါအလီၤန့ၣ်, အါစုၣ်တၢ်တၢ်ယထံၣ်, ပုၤလီၤဂီၢ်လၢယစၢ်သးတီၢ်, ယဂီၢ်တၢ်တၢ်တၢ်သံး, ဝိးလၢယသးသ့ၣ်ဖးအပူၤ, လီၤလးတၢ်ယၢအိၣ်ခိၣ်, လီၤလးကတၢ်တၢ်အိၣ်တၢ်ကွဲၤ, လီၤလးယတၢ်တၢ်အိၣ်.	၃. ထူၣ်စုညါဒၢယဟဲယဲ, အိၣ်ဆီးန့ၣ်တၢ်ကရု, စၢ်မဲၢ်သ့ၣ်တၢ်ကပိၤမဲၢ်ညါ, တၢ်မုၢ်အဂၤတၢ်ယု, ဟီၣ်ခိၣ်မ့ၢ်လဲၤပူၤကွဲၤန့ၣ်ကုၤ, တၢ်သ့ၣ်ပာ်သးသ့ၣ်, ယမဲၢ်ဆူးထဲတၢ်ဝဲးသး, သးစုယဲထဲလၢန့ၤ အာမ့ၣ်.
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THE DISMISSAL

BCP p. 366

Please turn in the Book of Common Prayer to p. #366.

Leader Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

All Thanks be to God.

Postlude



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