



Holy Communion

The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

September 6, 2026

But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy. (Titus 3:4,5)

A warm welcome to Princeton Anglican Church. All you need is in this Order of Service. Your portions are in bold print. Anglican worship invites you to participate rather than spectate, so please take part as far as is appropriate for you in terms of your own Christian growth and understanding. You are part of an act of worship that is ancient in origin and contemporary in relevance as we all need God's grace. Worship is a vital part of our lives as individuals and as we share fellowship together. These words may be new and unfamiliar, though you may find that saying or hearing them read aloud has them become familiar and important to you over time.

Children are always welcome. We begin by worshipping together and have support available during the sermon to assist parents in the adjacent Sanford Davis Room. We use a "rule of three", meaning no one is alone with a child (not in their family). Our practice is that children under age eleven be escorted to the bathrooms in the hallway off of the Sanford Davis Room.

Should you have a pastoral need, would like to discuss the Christian faith, or wish to receive updates on the life of the church, please write to clifford@princetonanglican.org or call/text 609-309-1050. We hope you leave encouraged, knowing Jesus better, equipped to serve Him.

HYMN

O God Our Help in Ages Past



O God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come, our
Be - neath the shad - ow of thy throne, Thy saints have dwelt se - cure, suf -
Be - fore the hills in or - der stood or earth re - ceived her frame, from
A thou - sand a - ges in thy sight are like an eve - ning gone, short



shel - ter from the storm - y blast, and our e - ter - nal home:
fi - cient is Thine arm a - lone, and our de - fense is sure.
ev - er - last - ing thou art God, to end - less years the same.
as the watch that ends the night be - fore the ris - ing sun.

Time like an ever-rolling stream,
Bears all its sons away,
They fly forgotten, as a dream
Dies at the opening day.

O God our help in ages past,
Our Hope for years to come,
Be thou our guard while troubles last,
And our eternal home.

Words and Music: Isaac Watts (1719); Tune: ST. ANNE

At the communion time, the table, having a fair white linen cloth upon it, shall stand in the body of the church or in the chancel. And the priest, standing at the north side of the table, shall say the collect following.

We remain standing.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom 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.

SUMMARY OF THE LAW

Then shall the priest, turning to the people, rehearse distinctly the summary of the Law. And the people shall ask God for mercy for their transgression thereof for the time past, and grace to keep the same for the time to come, as follows.

Our Lord Jesus Christ said: ‘Hear, O Israel, the LORD our God, the LORD is one, and you shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength. This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like, namely this: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.’

Lord, have mercy upon us, and write all these your laws on our hearts, we beseech you.

COLLECT FOR THE FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Almighty and everlasting God, give unto us an increase of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us to love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

We sit.

EPISTLE READING

Romans 12:9-21

⁹ Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good. ¹⁰ Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor. ¹¹ Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit,[a] serve the Lord. ¹² Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. ¹³ Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality.

¹⁴ Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. ¹⁵ Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. ¹⁶ Live in harmony with one another. Do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly.[b] Never be wise in your own sight. ¹⁷ Repay no one evil for evil, but give thought to do what is honorable in the sight of all. ¹⁸ If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. ¹⁹ Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it[c] to the wrath of God, for it is written, “Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord.” ²⁰ To the contrary, “if your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink; for by so doing you will heap burning coals on his head.” ²¹ Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

APPOINTED PSALM

Psalms 119:33-48



Legem pone

³³ Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes, *
and I shall keep it to the end.

³⁴ **Give me understanding, and I shall keep your law; *
indeed, I shall keep it with my whole heart.**

³⁵ Make me go in the path of your commandments, *
for therein is my desire.

³⁶ **Incline my heart to your testimonies, ***
and not to covetous desires.

³⁷ O turn away my eyes, lest they behold vanity, *
and revive me in your ways.

³⁸ **Confirm your word to your servant, ***
and to all those who fear you.

³⁹ Take away the reproach that I am afraid of, *
for your judgments are good.

⁴⁰ **Behold, my delight is in your precepts; ***
O revive me in your righteousness.

¶

Et veniat super me

⁴¹ Let your loving mercy come to me, O Lord, *
even your salvation, according to your word.

⁴² **So shall I answer those who taunt me, ***
for my trust is in your word.

⁴³ O do not take the word of your truth utterly out of my mouth, *
for my hope is in your judgments.

⁴⁴ **So shall I always keep your law, ***
even for ever and ever.

⁴⁵ And I will walk at liberty, *
for I seek your commandments.

⁴⁶ **I will speak of your testimonies also, even before kings, ***
and will not be ashamed.

⁴⁷ And my delight shall be in your commandments, *
which I have loved exceedingly.

⁴⁸ **My hands also will I lift up to your commandments, ***
and I will meditate on your statutes.

We stand for the Gloria Patri.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.
Amen.

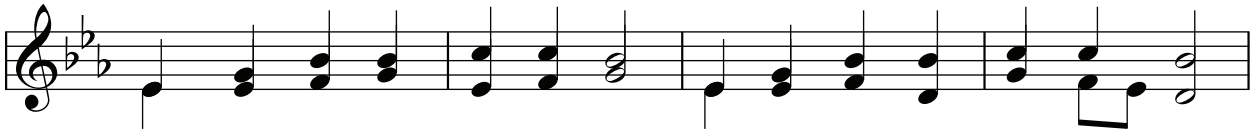
We remain standing.

GRADUAL PSALM

Psalm 51



1. God, be mer - ci - ful to me, on thy grace I rest my plea;
2. My trans - gres - sions I con - fess, grief and guilt my soul op - press;
3. I am e - vil, born in sin; thou de - sir - est truth with - in.
4. Bro - ken, hum - bled to the dust, by thy wrath and judg - ment just,



plen - teous in com - pas - sion thou, blot out my trans - gres - sions now;
I have sinned a - gainst thy grace and pro - voked thee to thy face;
Thou a - lone my Sav - ior art, teach thy wis - dom to my heart;
let my con - trite heart re - joice and in glad - ness hear thy voice;



wash me, make me pure with - in, cleanse, O cleanse me from my sin.
I con - fess thy judg - ment just, speech - less, I thy mer - cy trust.
make me pure, thy grace be - stow, wash me whit - er than the snow.
from my sins O hide thy face, blot them out in bound - less grace.

Words: from Psalm Psalm 51; Music: REDHEAD NO. 76, Richard Redhead (1853)

We remain standing.

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 18:15-20

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew.
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

¹⁵ “If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault, between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have gained your brother. ¹⁶ But if he does not listen, take one or two others along with you, that every charge may be established by the evidence of two or three witnesses. ¹⁷ If he refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church. And if he refuses to listen even to the church, let him be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. ¹⁸ Truly, I say to you, whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven. ¹⁹ Again I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything they ask, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven. ²⁰ For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I among them.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

GRADUAL PSALM

Psalms 51 (Continued)

**Gracious God, my heart renew, make my spirit right and true;
cast me not away from thee, let thy Spirit dwell in me;
thy salvation's joy impart, steadfast make my willing heart.**

**Gracious God, my heart renew, make my spirit right and true;
cast me not away from thee, let thy Spirit dwell in me;
thy salvation's joy impart, steadfast make my willing heart.**

**Not the formal sacrifice has acceptance in thine eyes;
broken hearts are in thy sight more than sacrificial rite;
contrite spirit, pleading cries, thou, O God, wilt not despise.**

**Prosper Zion in thy grace and her broken walls replace;
then our righteous sacrifice shall delight thy holy eyes;
free-will off 'rings, gladly made, on thine altar shall be laid.**

NICENE CREED

I believe in one God the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And of all things visible and invisible;

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, Begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of very God, Begotten, not made, Being of one substance with the Father, By whom all things were made, Who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, And was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary, And was made man, And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, And ascended into heaven, And sits on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, The Lord, and giver of life, Who proceeds from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, Who spoke by the prophets. And I believe one catholic and apostolic church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the resurrection of the dead, And the life of the world to come. Amen.

¶ *Then shall follow the SERMON.*

SERMON

“Genuine Love and Joy”

The Revd. Clifford Swartz

¶ *Then shall the priest return to the Lord’s table and begin the OFFERTORY, saying*

While we have time, let us do good unto all people; and specially unto them that are of the household of faith. (Galatians 6)

OFFERTORY HYMN

O Lord, My Rock and My Redeemer



1. O Lord, my Rock and my Re - deem - er, great - est
2. O Lord, my Rock and my Re - deem - er, strong De -
3. O Lord, my Rock and my Re - deem - er, gra - cious



trea - sure of my long - ing soul, my God, like You there is no
fend - er of my wea - ry heart, my sword to fight the cruel de -
Sav - ior of my ru - ined life; my guilt and cross laid on Your



oth - er; true de - light is found in You a - lone. Your
ceiv - er, and my shield a - gainst His hate - ful darts. My
shoul - ders; in my place You suf - fered, bled, and died. You



grace, a well too deep to fath - om; Your love
song when en - e - mies sur - round me, my hope
rose— the grave and death are con - quered! You broke



ex - ceeds the heav - ens' reach; Your truth, a fount of per - fect
when tides of sor - row rise, my joy when tri - als are a -
my bonds of sin and shame! O Lord, my Rock and my Re -

wis - dom, my high - est good, and my un - end - ing need.
 bound - ing, Your faith - ful - ness, my ref - uge in the night.
 deem - er, may all my days bring glo - ry to Your name.

Words and music: Nathan Stiff, Sovereign Grace Worship

We sit or kneel.

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

Prayers are led for the Church, the world, and ourselves

We stand to sing the Doxology.

DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise him, all
 crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye
 heav - enly host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

Words: Thomas Ken, 1674; Music: OLD HUNDRETH, Louis Bourgeois

We sit or kneel for the Confession.

¶ *Then shall the priest say to those who come to receive the holy communion:*

INVITATION TO COMMUNION AND CONFESSION

You who do truly and earnestly repent of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbors, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God and walking from henceforth in his holy ways, draw near with faith, and take this holy sacrament for your encouragement, and make your humble confession to almighty God.

CONFESSION

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men: We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we from time to time most grievously have committed, By thought, word, and deed, Against your Divine Majesty, Provoking most justly your wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, And are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; The remembrance of them is grievous unto us; The burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us; Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father. For your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past, And grant that we may ever hereafter Serve and please you In newness of life, To the honor and glory of your name, Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ *Then shall the priest (or the bishop, being present) stand up, and, turning himself to the people, pronounce this absolution.*

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

We stand.

¶ *Then shall the priest say,*

Hear what comfortable words our Savior Christ says to all who truly turn to him: Come unto me, all that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. (St. Matthew 11:28)

So God loved the world that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. (St. John 3:16)

Hear also what Saint Paul says: This is a true saying and worthy of all men to be received, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. (1 Tim. 1:15)

Hear also what Saint John says: If any one sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the propitiation for our sins. (1 John 2:1)

¶ *After which, the priest shall proceed, saying,*

SURSUM CORDA

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up unto the Lord.

Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

It is meet and right so to do.

¶ *Then shall the priest turn to the Lord's table and say,*

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks unto you, O Lord, Holy Father, almighty everlasting God. Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify your glorious name, evermore praising you and singing:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,
 heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
 Ho - san - na in the high-est, ho - san - na in the high - est.
 Blest is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
 Ho - san - na in the high-est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Arr.: Richard Proulx

¶ Then shall the priest, kneeling down at the Lord's table, say:

PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

We do not presume to come to this your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table. But you are the same Lord, whose nature is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

¶ *When the priest, standing before the table, has so ordered the bread and wine that he may with the more readiness and decency break the bread before the people and take the cup into his hands, he shall say the prayer of consecration, as follows.*

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who, of your tender mercy, did give your only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption, who made there — by his one oblation of himself once offered — a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death until his coming again: Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech you, and grant that we receiving these your creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed body and blood: Who, in the same night that he was betrayed, ^a took bread, and, when he had given thanks, ^b he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, 'Take, eat; ^c this is my body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me.'

Likewise after supper ^d he took the cup, and, when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, 'Drink this, all of you, for ^e this is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins: Do this, as often as you shall drink it, in remembrance of me.' **Amen.**

^a *Here the priest is to take the paten into his hands.*

^b *And here to break the bread.*

^c *And here to lay his hand upon all the bread.*

^d *Here he is to take the cup into his hand.*

^e *And here to lay his hand upon every vessel in which there is any wine to be consecrated.*

¶ *Then shall the minister himself first receive the communion in both kinds; and then proceed to deliver the same to the ministers in like manner (if any are present); and after that to the people also in order, into their hands, kneeling or standing.*

A note to visitors:

if you are a baptized follower of Jesus Christ, and normally receive Communion in your home church, you are welcome to do so at Princeton Anglican. We receive the bread in our hands and eat it; and then take the chalice of wine into our hands from the chalice bearer and drink, then return the chalice. Should you prefer to have your bread dipped in the wine, the chalice bearer will dip the bread for you.

If you do not wish to receive bread and wine, cross your arms over your chest, the priest will say a brief prayer. Please note if you require gluten-free bread, it will be provided. We begin from the first row and move forward to receive, keeping the line full. Most will kneel to receive, but standing is perfectly fine, too, from preference or physical need. After you have received, please return to your seat by moving to the left when the person next to you has finished receiving the chalice. During communion we sing:

Take My Life and Let it Be



Take my life _____ and _____ let it be
 Take my voice _____ and _____ let me sing
 Take my sil - ver _____ and my gold;
 Take my will, _____ and make it Thine;
 Take my love, _____ my Lord, I pour



con - se - cra - ted, _____ Lord, to Thee.
 al - ways, on - ly, _____ for my King.
 not a mite _____ would I with - hold.
 it shall be _____ no lon - ger mine
 at Thy feet _____ its trea - sure store.



Take my mo - ments _____ and my days _____
 Take my lips, and _____ let them be _____
 Take my in - tel - lect, and use _____
 Take my heart, it _____ is Thine own; _____
 Take my - self, and I will be _____



let them flow in cease - less _____ praise. _____
 filled with mes - sa - ges _____ from _____ Thee _____
 ev - ery pow'r as Thou _____ shalt _____ choose. _____
 it shall be Thy roy - al _____ throne _____
 ev - er, on - ly, all _____ for _____ Thee _____



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 ev - ery pow'r as Thou _____ shalt _____ choose.
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 ev - er, on - ly, all _____ for _____ Thee

Words: Frances Ridley Havergal; Music: Henri Abraham Cesar Malan

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

When I sur - vey the won - drous cross
 For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast,
 See, from his head, his hands, his feet,
 • Were the whole realm of na - ture mine,

on which the Prince of glo - ry died,
 save in the death of Christ my God:
 sor - row and love flow min - gled down:
 • that were a pres - ent far too small;

my rich - est gain I count but loss,
 all the vain things that charm me most,
 did e'er such love and sor - row meet,
 • love so a - maz - ing, so di - vine,

and pour con - tempt on all my pride:
 I sac - ri - fice them to his blood.
 or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?
 • de - mands my soul, my life, my all.

Words: Isaac Watts; Music: Hamburg, Lowell Mason

¶ *When all have communicated, the minister shall return to the Lord's table and reverently place upon it what remains of the consecrated elements, covering the same with a fair linen cloth.*

LORD'S PRAYER

¶ *Then shall the priest say the Lord's Prayer, the people [saying with him].*

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, the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

¶ *After that shall be said as follows.*

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank you, that you vouchsafe to feed us, who have duly received these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious body and blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and assure us thereby of your favor and goodness towards us, and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of your Son, which is the blessed company of all faithful people, and are also heirs through hope of your everlasting kingdom, by the merits of the most precious death and passion of your dear Son. And we most humbly beseech you, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with your grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as you have prepared for us to walk in, through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

HYMN

Guide Me O Thou Great Redeemer

Guide me, O my great Re - deem - er, pil - grim through this
Op - en now the crys - tal foun - tain where the heal - ing
When I tread the verge of Jor - dan bid my an - xious
bar - ren land; I am weak, but you are might - y, hold me with your
wa - ters flow; let the fie - ry, cloud - y pil - lar lead me all my
fears sub - side; Death of death, and hell's - De - struc - tion, land me safe on
power - ful hand: Bread of heav - en, bread of heav - en,
jour - ney through: Strong De - liv - erer, strong De - liv - erer,
Ca - naan's side: songs of prais - es, songs of prais - es,
feed me now and ev - er - more! Feed me now and ev - er more!
ev - er be my strength and shield. Ev - er be my strength and shield.
I will ev - er sing to you. I will ev - er sing to you.

Words and Music: William Williams, John Hughes

BLESSING

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord. And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



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