

2017 Centennial Convocation Liturgies
Third Order, Society of Saint Francis
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Wednesday Liturgies
June 21, 2017

Morning Prayer in the Season after Pentecost

LIVING WITH THE PRINCIPLES OF THE ORDER: THE COMMUNITY OBEDIENCE

Here, and in all your churches throughout the world, we adore you, O Christ, and we bless you, because by your holy cross, you have redeemed the world. Amen.

Day Twenty-One – The Three Notes of the Order

Humility, love, and joy are the three notes that mark the lives of Tertiaries. When these characteristics are evident throughout the Order, its work will be fruitful. Without them all that it attempts will be in vain.

Silence

God, we give you thanks for the Third Order of the Society of Saint Francis. Grant, we pray, that being knit together in community and prayer, we your servants may glorify your holy name after the example of Saint Francis, and win others to your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Merciful God, you have made your church rich through the poverty of blessed Francis: help us like him, not to trust in earthly things, but to seek your heavenly gifts; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

May our blessed Lady pray for us.

May Saint Francis pray for us.

May Saint Clare pray for us.

May all the saints of the Third Order pray for us.

May all the holy angels watch over us and befriend us.

May the Lord Jesus give us his blessing and his peace. Amen.

THE PREPARATION

O Lord, open our lips

And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Blessèd are you, Sovereign God, creator of all;

To you be glory and praise for ever!

You founded the earth in the beginning

And the heavens are the work of your hands.

As we rejoice in the gift of your presence among us,

Let the light of your love always shine in our hearts

and your praises ever be on our lips,

Father, Son and Holy Spirit:

Blessèd be God for ever!

God comes to set us free:

O come, let us worship.

THE OPENING CANTICLE:*A Song of God's Glorious Name*

O Lord our governor,*
 how exalted is your name in all the world!
 Out of the mouths of infants and children*
 your majesty is praised above the heavens.
 You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries,*
 to quell the enemy and the avenger.
 When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers,*
 the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,
 What are mortals, that you should be mindful of them?*
 mere human beings, that you should seek them out?
 You have made them little lower than the angels;*
 you adorn them with glory and honour.
 You give them mastery over the works of your hands;*
 and put all things under their feet,
 All sheep and oxen,*
 even the wild beasts of the field,
 The birds of the air, the fish in the sea,*
 and whatsoever walks in the paths of the sea.
 O Lord our governor,*
 how exalted is your name in all the world!

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:*
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

THE OPENING PRAYER

The night has passed and the day lies open before us;
 Let us pray with one heart and mind;
 (*A moment of silence is kept.*)

As we rejoice in the gift of this new day
 So may the light of your presence, O God,
 Set our heart on fire with love for you;
 Now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE PSALM *Psalm 119:97-120*

Oh, how I love your law! *
 all the day long it is in my mind.
 Your commandment has made me wiser than my enemies, *
 and it is always with me.

I have more understanding than all my teachers, *
for your decrees are my study.
I am wiser than the elders, *
because I observe your commandments.

I restrain my feet from every evil way, *
that I may keep your word.
I do not shrink from your judgments, *
because you yourself have taught me.

How sweet are your words to my taste! *
they are sweeter than honey to my mouth.
Through your commandments I gain understanding; *
therefore I hate every lying way.

Your word is a lantern to my feet *
and a light upon my path.
I have sworn and am determined *
to keep your righteous judgments.

I am deeply troubled; *
preserve my life, O Lord, according to your word.
Accept, O Lord, the willing tribute of my lips, *
and teach me your judgments.

My life is always in my hand, *
yet I do not forget your law.
The wicked have set a trap for me, *
but I have not strayed from your commandments.

Your decrees are my inheritance for ever; *
truly, they are the joy of my heart.
I have applied my heart to fulfill your statutes *
for ever and to the end.

I hate those who have a divided heart, *
but your law do I love.
You are my refuge and shield; *
my hope is in your word.

Away from me, you wicked! *
I will keep the commandments of my God.
Sustain me according to your promise, that I may live, *
and let me not be disappointed in my hope.

Hold me up, and I shall be safe, *
 and my delight shall be ever in your statutes.
 You spurn all who stray from your statutes; *
 their deceitfulness is in vain.

In your sight all the wicked of the earth are but dross; *
 therefore I love your decrees.
 My flesh trembles with dread of you; * I am afraid of your judgments.
 as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:*
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

LECTIO DIVINA *Luke 20: 27-40*

Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to Jesus and asked him a question, 'Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies, leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. Now there were seven brothers; the first married, and died childless; then the second and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. Finally the woman also died. In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her.' Jesus said to them, 'Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage; but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. Indeed they cannot die any more, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. Now he is God not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all of them are alive.' Then some of the scribes answered, 'Teacher, you have spoken well.' For they no longer dared to ask him another question.

LISTENING FOR CHRIST THE WORD

- One person reads aloud the passage of scripture, as others listen for the word or phrase that is especially meaningful for them.
- Silence for two minutes.
- Each person hears and silently repeats a word or a phrase that has attracted them.
- Sharing aloud, each may make a single sentence statement of the word or phrase that has attracted them. No elaboration.

HOW CHRIST THE WORD SPEAKS TO ME

- Second Reading of the same passage by another person.
- Silence for two minutes reflecting on "How does the content of this reading touch my life today?"
- Share aloud, briefly, beginning with "I hear. . ." or "I see. . ."

WHAT CHRIST THE WORD IS INVITING ME TO DO

- Third Reading of the same passage be another person
- Silence for two minutes reflecting on “I believe that God wants me to . . . today/during this convocation.”
- Sharing aloud the result of each person’s reflection. Be especially aware of what is shared by the person on your right.
- After sharing, pray in turn, for the person on your right.
- Important note: Anyone may say “pass” at any time. If instead of sharing with the group you prefer to pray silently, simply state this aloud and conclude your silent prayer with “Amen.”

THE PRAYERS

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Almighty God,

Who wonderfully created us in your own image in your Son Jesus Christ:

Grant that, as he came to share our human nature, so we may be partakers of his divine glory;

Who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LORD’S PRAYER

Rejoicing in the presence of God here among us, let us pray in faith and trust:

Our Father, who art in heaven. . .

THE CONCLUSION

All: The Lord bless us, and preserve us from all evil, and keep us in eternal life. Amen.

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Holy Eucharist

OPENING HYMN 513 · *Like the murmur of the dove's song*



1 Like the mur - mur of the dove's song, like the
 2 To the mem - bers of Christ's Bo - dy, to the
 3 With the heal - ing of di - vi - sion, with the



chal - lenge of her flight, like the vig - or of the
 branch - es of the Vine, to the Church in faith as -
 cease - less voice of prayer, with the power to love and



wind's rush, like the new flame's ea - ger
 sem - bled, to her midst as gift and
 wit - ness, with the peace be - yond com -



might: come, — Ho - ly Spi - rit, come.
 sign: come, — Ho - ly Spi - rit, come.
 pare: come, — Ho - ly Spi - rit, come.

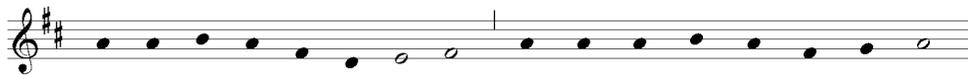
THE ACCLAMATION

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

People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

COLLET FOR PURITY

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.*

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS *Hymnal S278**Sung by all.*

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,



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.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.*People* **And also with you.***Celebrant* Let us pray.

Keep, O Lord, your household the Church in your steadfast faith and love, that through your grace we may proclaim your truth with boldness, and minister your justice with compassion; for the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.*All are seated.*

THE LESSON *2 Corinthians 9: 6-11*

The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work. As it is written, 'He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures for ever.' He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 112:1-9

Read by all, remaining seated.

Hallelujah! Happy are they who fear the Lord *
and have great delight in his commandments!
Their descendants will be mighty in the land; *
the generation of the upright will be blessed.

Wealth and riches will be in their house, *
and their righteousness will last for ever.
Light shines in the darkness for the upright; *
the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.

It is good for them to be generous in lending *
and to manage their affairs with justice.
For they will never be shaken; *
the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.

They will not be afraid of any evil rumors; *
their heart is right; they put their trust in the Lord.
Their heart is established and will not shrink, *
until they see their desire upon their enemies.

They have given freely to the poor, *
and their righteousness stands fast for ever; they will hold up their head with honor.

SEQUENCE HYMN 455 · *O Love of God**Sung by all, standing.*

1 O Love of God, how strong and true, e - ter - nal
 2 O wide - em - brac - ing, won - drous Love, we read thee

and yet ev - er new; un - com - pre - hend - ed and un -
 in the sky a - bove; we read thee in the earth be -

bought, be - yond all know - ledge and all thought.
 low, in seas that swell and streams that flow.

THE HOLY GOSPEL *Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18*

Deacon The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, 'Beware of practicing your piety before others in order to be seen by them; for then you have no reward from your Father in heaven. So whenever you give alms, do not sound a trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, so that they may be praised by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. But when you give alms, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, so that your alms may be done in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you. And whenever you pray, do not be like the hypocrites; for they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, so that they may be seen by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. But whenever you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you. And whenever you fast, do not look dismal, like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces so as to show others that they are fasting. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. But when you fast, put oil on your head and wash your face, so that your fasting may be seen not by others but by your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

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

Diácono Santo Evangelio de nuestro Señor Jesucristo, según Matthew.
Pueblo ¡Gloria a ti, Cristo Señor!

Cuidad de no practicar vuestra justicia delante de los hombres para ser vistos por ellos; de otra manera no tendréis recompensa de vuestro Padre que está en los cielos. Por eso, cuando des limosna, no toques trompeta delante de ti, como hacen los hipócritas en las sinagogas y en las calles, para ser alabados por los hombres. En verdad os digo que ya han recibido su recompensa. Pero tú, cuando des limosna, que no sepa tu mano izquierda lo que hace tu derecha, para que tu limosna sea en secreto; y tu Padre, que ve en lo secreto, te recompensará. Y cuando oréis, no seáis como los hipócritas; porque a ellos les gusta

ponerse en pie y orar en las sinagogas y en las esquinas de las calles, para ser vistos por los hombres. En verdad os digo que ya han recibido su recompensa. Pero tú, cuando ores, entra en tu aposento, y cuando hayas cerrado la puertaa, ora a tu Padre que está en secreto, y tu Padre, que ve en lo secreto, te recompensará. Y cuando ayunéisa, no pongáis cara triste, como los hipócritas; porque ellos desfiguran sus rostros paramostrar a los hombres que están ayunando. En verdad os digo que ya han recibido su recompensa. Pero tú, cuando ayunes, unge tu cabeza y lava tu rostro, para no hacer ver¹ a los hombres que ayunas, sino a tu Padre que está en secreto; y tu Padre, que ve en lo secreto, te recompensará.

Diácono El Evangelio de Señor.
Pueblo **Te alabamos, Cristo Señor.**

Leitor O Santo Evangelho de nosso Senhor Jesus Cristo, conforme Mateus.
Povo **Glória te seja dada, ó Senhor.**

“Tenham o cuidado de não praticar suas ‘obras de justiça’ diante dos outros para serem vistos por eles. Se fizerem isso, vocês não terão nenhuma recompensa do Pai celestial. Portanto, quando você der esmola, não anuncie isso com trombetas, como fazem os hipócritas nas sinagogas e nas ruas, a fim de serem honrados pelos outros. Eu lhes garanto que eles já receberam sua plena recompensa. Mas quando você der esmola, que a sua mão esquerda não saiba o que está fazendo a direita, de forma que você preste a sua ajuda em segredo. E seu Pai, que vê o que é feito em segredo, o recompensará. E quando vocês orarem, não sejam como os hipócritas. Eles gostam de ficar orando em pé nas sinagogas e nas esquinas, a fim de serem vistos pelos outros. Eu lhes asseguro que eles já receberam sua plena recompensa. Mas quando você orar, vá para seu quarto, feche a porta e ore a seu Pai, que está em secreto. Então seu Pai, que vê em secreto, o recompensará. Quando jejuarem, não mostrem uma aparência triste como os hipócritas, pois eles mudam a aparência do rosto a fim de que os outros vejam que eles estão jejuando. Eu lhes digo verdadeiramente que eles já receberam sua plena recompensa. Ao jejuar, arrume o cabelo e lave o rosto, para que não pareça aos outros que você está jejuando, mas apenas a seu Pai, que vê em secreto. E seu Pai, que vê em secreto, o recompensará.”

Leitor Evangelho do Senhor.
Povo **Louvado sejas, ó Cristo.**

SEQUENCE HYMN 455 · O Love of God

Sung by all, standing.

3 We read thee best in him who came to bear for
4 We read thy power to bless and save e'en in the
us the cross of shame, sent by the Fa - ther from on
dark - ness of the grave; still more in re - sur - rec - tion
high, our life to live, our death to die.
light we read the full - ness of thy might.

THE SERMON *The Rt. Rev. David C. Rice, Bishop Protector-Elect*

THE NICENE CREED *The Book of Common Prayer, p. 358*
Said by all, standing.

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

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

For all people in their daily life and work;
For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;
For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;
For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For our several bishops, and all other ministers;
For all who serve God in the Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.
(The People may add their own intercessions.)

Hear us, Lord;
For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.
(The People may add their own intercessions.)

We will exalt you, O God our King;
And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.
(The People may add their own intercessions.)

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
Who put their trust in you.

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

All say

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.

The Celebrant concludes with an absolution.

THE PEACE

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

Then the Ministers and People greet each other in the name of the Lord. The People are seated. The Celebrant says an offertory sentence.

OFFERTORY HYMN 528 · *Lord you give the great commission**Sung by all, standing.*

1 Lord, you give the great com - mis - sion: "Heal the sick and
 2 Lord, you call us to your serv - ice: "In my name bap -
 3 Lord, you make the com - mon ho - ly: "This my bo - dy,
 4 Lord, you show us love's true mea - sure: "Fa - ther, what they
 5 Lord, you bless with words as - sur - ing: "I am with you



1 preach the word." Lest the Church ne - glect its mis - sion
 2 tize and teach." That the world may trust your prom - ise,
 3 this my blood." Let your priests, for earth's true glo - ry,
 4 do, for - give." Yet we hoard as pri - vate trea - sure
 5 to the end." Faith and hope and love re - stor - ing,



1 and the Gos - pel go un - heard, help us wit - ness to your
 2 life a - bun - dant meant for each, give us all new fer - vor,
 3 dai - ly lift life hea - ven - ward, ask - ing that the world a -
 4 all that you so free - ly give. May your care and mer - cy
 5 may we serve as you in - tend, and, a - mid the cares that



1 pur - pose with re - newed in - teg - ri - ty;
 2 draw us clos - er in com - mu - ni - ty;
 3 round us share your chil - dren's lib - er - ty; with the
 4 lead us to a just so - ci - e - ty;
 5 claim us, hold in mind e - ter - ni - ty;



Spi - rit's gifts em - power us for the work of min - is - try.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING *Supplemental Eucharistic Prayer 2, Canadian Anglican Prayer Book*

Celebrant May God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them up to God.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to God our Creator.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

The celebrant continues

Eternal God, Source of all being, we give you thanks and praise for your faithful love. You call us into friendship with you and one another to be your holy people, a sign of your presence in the world. When those we trust betray us, unfailingly you remain with us. When we injure others, you confront us in your love and call us to the paths of righteousness. You stand with the weak, and those, broken and alone, whom you have always welcomed home, making the first last, and the last first. Therefore we raise our voices with angels and archangels, forever praising you and singing:

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS *Hymnal S128**Sung by all.*

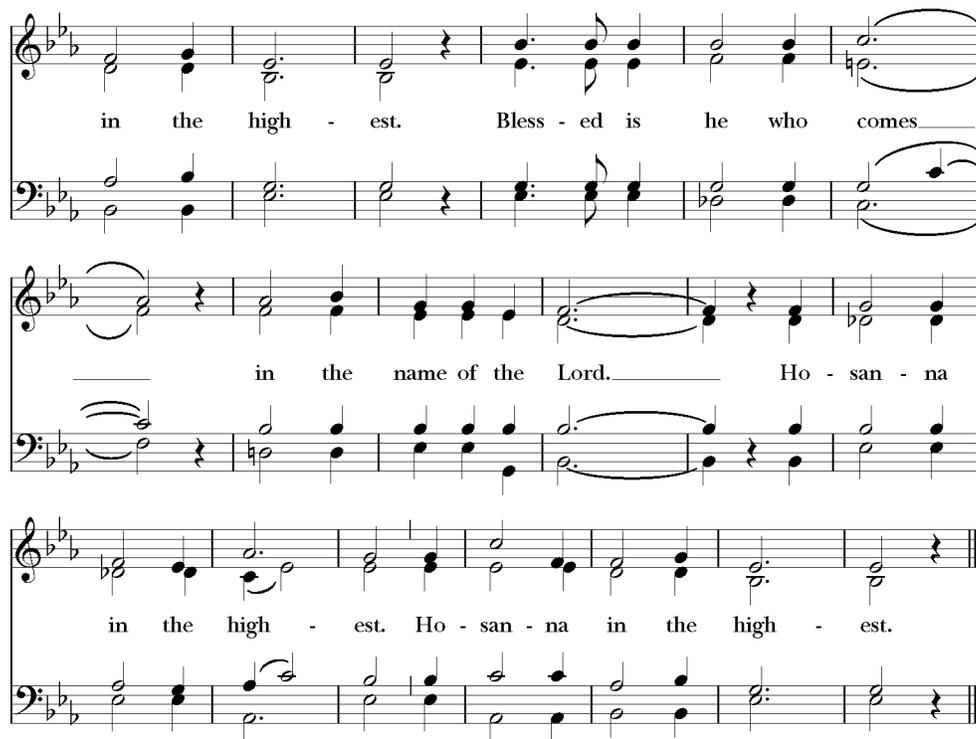
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and

might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,

God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are

full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. 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. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The celebrant continues

Blessed are you, O Holy One: when Hagar was driven into the wilderness you followed her and gave her hope. When Joseph was sold into bondage, you turned malice to your people's good. When you called Israel out of slavery, you brought them through the wilderness into the promised land. When your people were taken into exile you wept with them by the river of Babylon and carried them home.

People **Restore us, O God, let your face shine!**

Celebrant

At the right time you sent your Anointed One to stand with the poor, the outcast, and the oppressed. Jesus touched lepers, and the sick, and healed them. He accepted water from a woman of Samaria and offered her the water of new life. Christ knew the desolation of the cross and opened the way for all humanity into the redemption of your reconciling love.

On the night he was betrayed, Jesus, at supper with his friends, took bread, gave you thanks, broke the bread, gave it to them, and said, "Take and 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."

Loving and Holy One, recalling Christ's death and resurrection, we offer you these gifts, longing for the bread of tomorrow and the wine of the age to come. Therefore we proclaim our hope.

People **Dying you destroyed our death, rising you restored our life. Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

Celebrant

Pour out your Spirit on these gifts that through them you may sustain us in our hunger for your peace. We hold before you all whose lives are marked by suffering, our sisters and brothers. When we are broken and cast aside, embrace us in your love.

People **Restore us, O God, let your face shine! Celebrant Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, O Source of all life, now and for ever. People Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

Said by all, standing.

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 BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Celebrant breaks the bread. A short period of silence follows.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

COMMUNION MUSICAL OFFERING

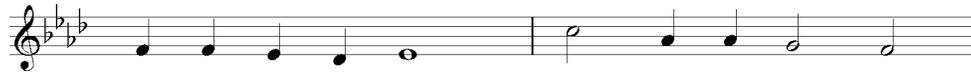
POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Said by all.

**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.**

POSTCOMMUNION HYMN 541 · *Come, labor on**Sung by all, standing.*

1 Come, la - bor on. Who dares stand i - dle
 2 Come, la - bor on. The en - e - my is
 3 Come, la - bor on. A - way with gloom - y
 4 Come, la - bor on. Claim the high call - ing
 5 Come, la - bor on. No time for rest, till



1 on the har - vest plain, while all a - round us
 2 watch - ing night and day, to sow the tares, to
 3 doubts and faith - less fear! No arm so weak but
 4 an - gels can - not share— to young and old the
 5 glows the west - ern sky, till the long sha - dows



1 waves the gold - en grain? And to each ser - vant
 2 snatch the seed a - way; while we in sleep our
 3 may do ser - vice here: by feeb - lest a - gents
 4 Gos - pel glad - ness bear: re - deem the time; its
 5 o'er our path - way lie, and a glad sound comes



1 does the Mas - ter say, "Go work to - day."
 2 du - ty have for - got, he slum - bered not.
 3 may our God ful - fill his right - eous will.
 4 hours too swift - ly fly. The night draws nigh.
 5 with the set - ting sun, "Ser - vants, well done."

THE BLESSING & DISMISSAL*The Celebrant says the Blessing*

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

An Order for Compline

The Officiant begins

The Lord Almighty grant us a peaceful night and a perfect end. *Amen.*

Officiant Our help is in the Name of the Lord;
People **The maker of heaven and earth.**

The Officiant says

Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence may be kept.

Officiant and People

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father:
We have sinned against you,
through our own fault,
in thought, and word, and deed,
and in what we have left undone.
For the sake of your Son our Lord Jesus Christ,
forgive us all our offenses;
and grant that we may serve you
in newness of life,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

Officiant

May the Almighty God grant us forgiveness of all our sins, and the grace and comfort of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Officiant O God, make speed to save us.
People **O Lord, make haste to help us.**

Officiant and People

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.

PSALM 31

In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge; let me never be put to shame: *
deliver me in your righteousness.

Incline your ear to me; *
make haste to deliver me.

Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe, for you are my crag and my stronghold; *
for the sake of your Name, lead me and guide me.

Take me out of the net that they have secretly set for me, *
 for you are my tower of strength.
 Into your hands I commend my spirit, *
 for you have redeemed me, O Lord, O God of truth.
 Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
 as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy-laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light. *Matthew 11:28-30*

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE PRAYERS

Leader Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit;
People **For you have redeemed me, O Lord, O God of truth.**
Leader Keep us, O Lord, as the apple of your eye;
People **Hide us under the shadow of your wings.**

Leader Lord, have mercy.
People *Christ, have mercy.*
Leader Lord, have mercy.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Said by all.

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. Amen.

Officiant Lord, hear our prayer;
People **And let our cry come to you.**
Officiant Let us pray.

Be present, O merciful God, and protect us through the hours of this night, so that we who are wearied by the changes and chances of this life may rest in your eternal changelessness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O God, your unfailing providence sustains the world we live in and the life we live: Watch over those, both night and day, who work while others sleep, and grant that we may never forget that our common life depends upon each other's toil; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE SONG OF SIMEON*Said by all*

**Guide us waking, O Lord, and guard us sleeping; that awake
we may watch with Christ, and asleep we may rest in peace.**

**Lord, you now have set your servant free *
to go in peace as you have promised;
For these eyes of mine have seen the Savior, *
whom you have prepared for all the world to see:
A Light to enlighten the nations, *
and the glory of your people Israel.
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

**Guide us waking, O Lord, and guard us sleeping; that awake
we may watch with Christ, and asleep we may rest in peace.**

THE CONCLUSION

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Officiant concludes

The almighty and merciful Lord, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless us and keep us. *Amen.*

