

ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
& PARISH DAY SCHOOL

*The Twenty-Second Sunday
after Pentecost*

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2025 • 11:00 A.M.

We welcome you here at St. John's to be met by God, who already knows you and loves you.

THE WORD OF THE LORD

Music pages can be found following page 7.

During the service, the congregation reads the parts in bold.

PRELUDE

ENTRANCE HYMN *The God of Abraham*

(H 401) **M-1**

WELCOME

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

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

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.**

HYMN OF PRAISE *Gloria*

M-2

COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

O God, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE FIRST READING (*Please be seated.*)

Haggai 1:15b-2:9

In the second year of King Darius, in the seventh month, on the twenty-first day of the month, the word of the Lord came by the prophet Haggai, saying: Speak now to Zerubbabel son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and to Joshua son of Jehozadak, the high priest, and to the remnant of the people, and say, Who is left among you that saw this house in its former glory? How does it look to you now? Is it not in your sight as nothing? Yet now take courage, O Zerubbabel, says the Lord; take courage, O Joshua, son of Jehozadak, the high priest; take courage, all you people of the land, says the Lord; work, for I am with you, says the Lord of hosts, according to the promise that I made you when you came out of Egypt. My spirit abides among you; do not fear. For thus says the Lord of hosts: Once again, in a little while, I will shake the heavens and the earth and the sea and the dry land; and I will shake all the

nations, so that the treasure of all nations shall come, and I will fill this house with splendor, says the LORD of hosts. The silver is mine, and the gold is mine, says the LORD of hosts. The latter splendor of this house shall be greater than the former, says the LORD of hosts; and in this place I will give prosperity, says the LORD of hosts.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM HYMN *New Songs of Celebration Render (Psalm 98)*

(H 413) **M-3**

THE SECOND READING

2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17

As to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we beg you, brothers and sisters, not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as though from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord is already here. Let no one deceive you in any way; for that day will not come unless the rebellion comes first and the lawless one is revealed, the one destined for destruction. He opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, declaring himself to be God. Do you not remember that I told you these things when I was still with you?

But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. For this purpose he called you through our proclamation of the good news, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter.

Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL HYMN *Before Thy Throne (vs. 1-2 before; vs. 3 after)*

(H 574) **M-4**

THE GOSPEL *(Please stand as you are able.)*

Luke 20:27-38

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

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

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 anymore, 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."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

The Rev. Derek H. Miller

THE NICENE CREED *(Please stand.)*

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 *(Please remain standing as you are able.)*

After each petition,

**We call upon you, O God,
For you will answer us.**

The Celebrant offers a concluding collect.

*The People respond, **Amen.***

CONFESSION

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.

ABSOLUTION

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

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

BIRTHDAY & ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

I appeal to you, dear siblings in Christ, by the mercies of God, to present yourselves as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.



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stjohnsec.org/give



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OFFERTORY ANTHEM *Praise the God of Heaven Above*
St. John's Ringers

Howard Starks

THE PRESENTATION HYMN *All Who Hunger (vs. 1)*

Holy Manna

1. All who hun - ger, gath - er glad - ly;
Ho - ly man - na is our bread. Come from wil - der -
ness and wan - d'ring. Here, in truth, we will be fed.
You that yearn for days of full - ness,
All a - round us is our food. Taste and see the
grace e - ter - nal. Taste and see that God is good.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER A

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every where to give thanks to you, God Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. 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 *Holy, Holy, Holy*

Pechulis

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - - - ly

Lord God of pow - er and might, heav'n and earth are full of your glor - y.

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

slower Blest is he who comes in the name of the Lord. *a tempo* Ho - san - na,

ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Holy and gracious God: 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 Creator 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:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O God, 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.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,

THE LORD’S PRAYER

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, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

(A silence is held.)

FRACTION ANTHEM *Lamb of God*

Pechulis

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

COMMUNION: God Welcomes You to the Table

*This is Christ's Table, and God welcomes us all to be fed and blessed here. All those baptized, regardless of church tradition/denomination, background, or age are invited to receive Communion as members of the Body of Christ. Please let the clergy know if you require a gluten-free wafer. If you are not yet baptized, or wish to receive a Blessing instead of Communion, please cross your hands across your chest and the minister will affirm God's blessing on you. **If you are unable to come forward for Communion, please let an usher know so that the clergy may come to you.** If you are interested in exploring more of what baptism could mean for you, please speak to Rev. Derek, our Rector, and he would LOVE to talk about baptism with you!*

COMMUNION ANTHEM *Since By Man Came Death (from Messiah)*
St. John's Choir

G. F. Handel

Since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead.

For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive. (1 Corinthians 15:21-22)

COMMUNION HYMNS *For the Bread Which You Have Broken*
Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine!

(H 341) **M-5**

(L 184) **M-6**

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

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.

SENDING FORTH OF THE EUCHARISTIC VISITOR

In the name of God and of this congregation, I send you to those who are homebound, that they may share with us in Christ's body and blood.

We who are many are one body, because we share one bread, one cup.

THE BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN *Love's Redeeming Work is Done*

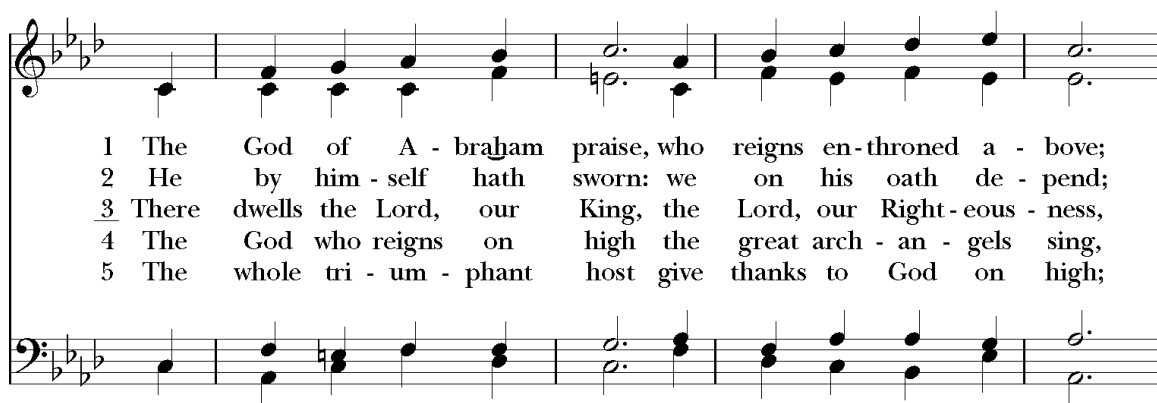
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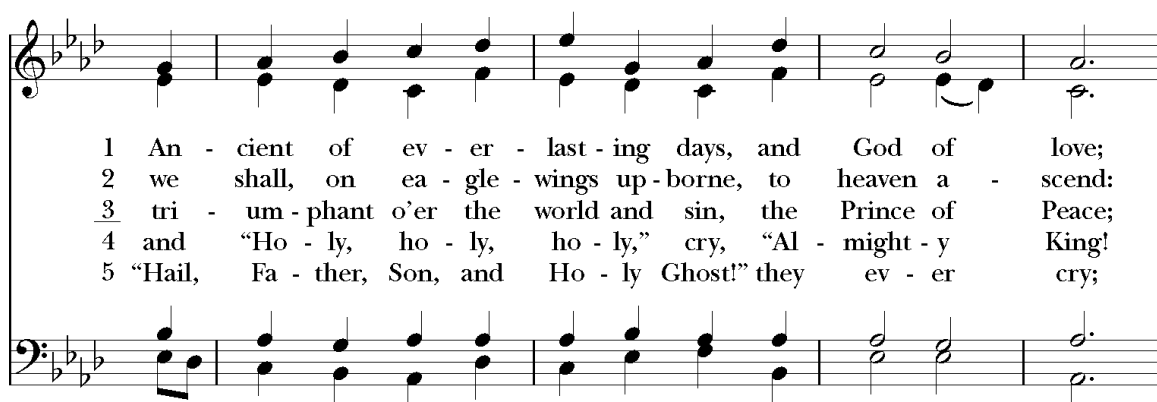
Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Thanks be to God.

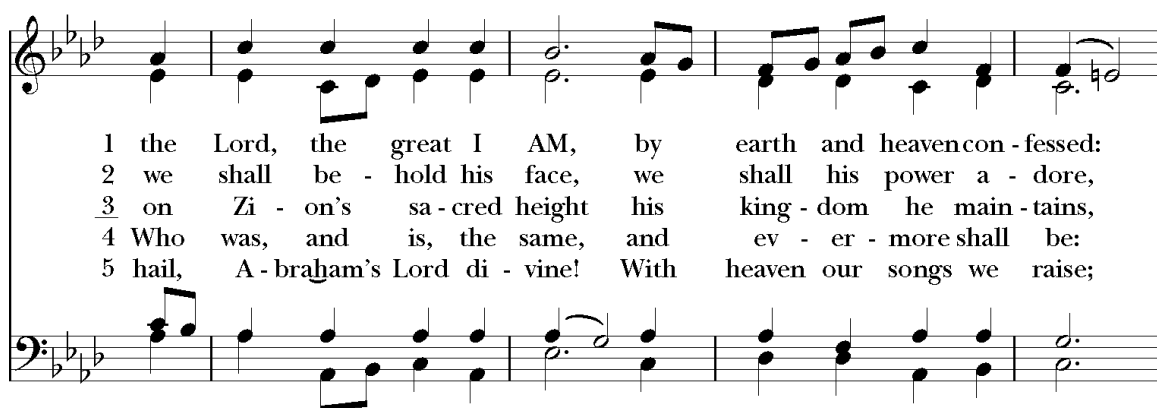
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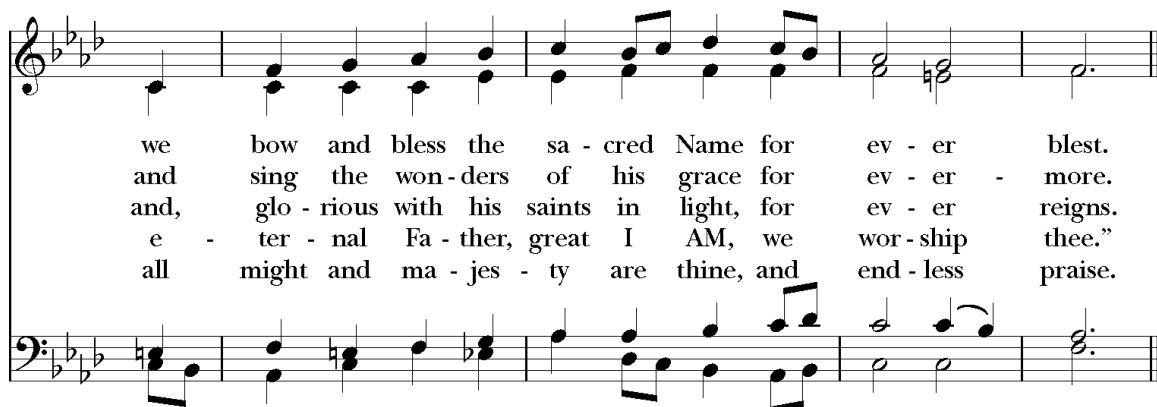
1 The God of A - braham praise, who reigns en-throned a - bove;
 2 He by him - self hath sworn: we on his oath de - pend;
 3 There dwells the Lord, our King, the Lord, our Right - eous - ness,
 4 The God who reigns on high the great arch - an - gels sing,
 5 The whole tri - um - phant host give thanks to God on high;



1 An - cient of ev - er - last - ing days, and God of love;
 2 we shall, on ea - gle - wings up - borne, to heaven a - scend:
 3 tri - um - phant o'er the world and sin, the Prince of Peace;
 4 and "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly," cry, "Al - might - y King!
 5 "Hail, Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost!" they ev - er cry;



1 the Lord, the great I AM, by earth and heaven con - fessed:
 2 we shall be - hold his face, we shall his power a - dore,
 3 on Zi - on's sa - cred height his king - dom he main - tains,
 4 Who was, and is, the same, and ev - er - more shall be:
 5 hail, A - braham's Lord di - vine! With heaven our songs we raise;



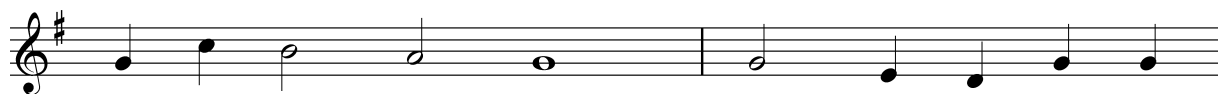
we bow and bless the sa - cred Name for ev - er blest.
 and sing the won - ders of his grace for ev - er - more.
 and, glo - rious with his saints in light, for ev - er reigns.
 e - ter - nal Fa - ther, great I AM, we wor - ship thee."
 all might and ma - jes - ty are thine, and end - less praise.

Glo - ry to God in the high - est.

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo - ple, his
peo - ple on earth. 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. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,
Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: have mer - cy on
us; you are sea - ted at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our
prayer. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
you a - lone are the Lord, 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.



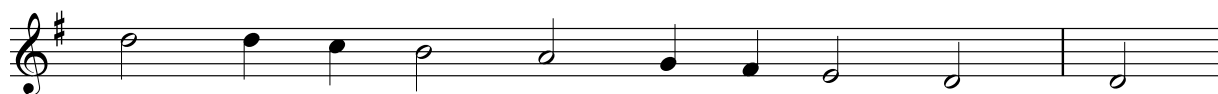
1 New songs of cel - e - bra - tion ren - der to him who
 2 Joy - ful - ly, heart - i - ly re - sound - ing, let ev - ery
 3 Riv - ers and seas and tor - rents roar - ing, hon - or the



has great won - ders done; awed by his love his
 in - stru - ment and voice peal out the praise of
 Lord with wild ac - claim; moun - tains and stones look



foes sur - ren - der and fall be - fore the Might - y One.
 grace a - bound - ing, call - ing the whole world to re - joice.
 up a - dor - ing and find a voice to praise his Name.



He has made known his great sal - va - tion which
 Trum - pets and or - gans set in mo - tion such
 Right - eous, com - mand - ing, ev - er glo - rious, prais -



all his friends with joy con - fess; he has re - vealed to
 sounds as make the hea - vens ring; all things that live in
 es be his that nev - er cease; just is our God, whose



ev - ery na - tion his ev - er - last - ing right - eous - ness.
 earth and o - cean, make mu - sic for your might - y King.
 truth vic - tor - ious es - tab - lish - es the world in peace.

GOSPEL HYMN *Before Thy Throne* (vs. 1-2 before; vs. 3 after)

1 Be - fore thy throne, O God, we kneel: give us a con - science

2 Search out our hearts and make us true; help us to give to

3 For sins of heed - less word and deed, for pride am - bi - tious

4 Let the fierce fires which burn and try, our in - most spi - rits

quick to feel, a rea - dy mind to un - der - stand the

all their due. From love of plea - sure, lust of gold, from

to suc - ceed, for craft - y trade and sub - tle snare to

pu - ri - fy: con - sume the ill; purge out the shame; O

mean - ing of thy chas - tening hand; what - e'er the pain and

sins which make the heart grow cold, wean us and train us

catch the sim - ple un - a - ware, for lives be - reft of

God, be with us in the flame; a new - born peo - ple

shame may be, bring us, O Fa - ther, near - er thee.

with thy rod; teach us to know our faults, O God.

pur - pose high, for - give, for - give, O Lord, we cry.

may we rise, more pure, more true, more no - bly wise.

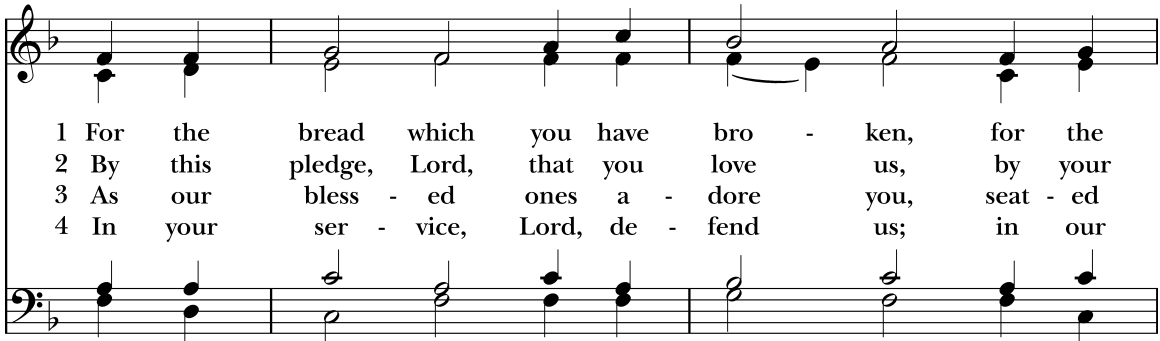
PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS: Michael & Becca Altner, Deb Avant, Steve Belknap, Jim Bruce, Richard Burrows, Leslie Edmonds, Barbara Epke, Betty Ferrone, Sunny Good, Marti Guillet, Bettina Hallock, The Houston Family, Janis, Jim, Beth John, Kathryn, Ruth Keimig, Kelly, Mary Jo Kenney, John Kreft, Mary Krzos, Tom & Dorothy Linthicum, Glenda Lovchik, Judy Lovchik, Pat Merson, Charles H. Miller, Gordon Nahas, The Nwosu Family, Kathy O'Dunne, Charles Osmond, Jean Purcell, Rev. Charles Dean Pugh, Roland Russoli, Clay Shiflet, Teresa Sinkovich, Marion Walker, Allison Ward, and Dylan Williams.

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED:

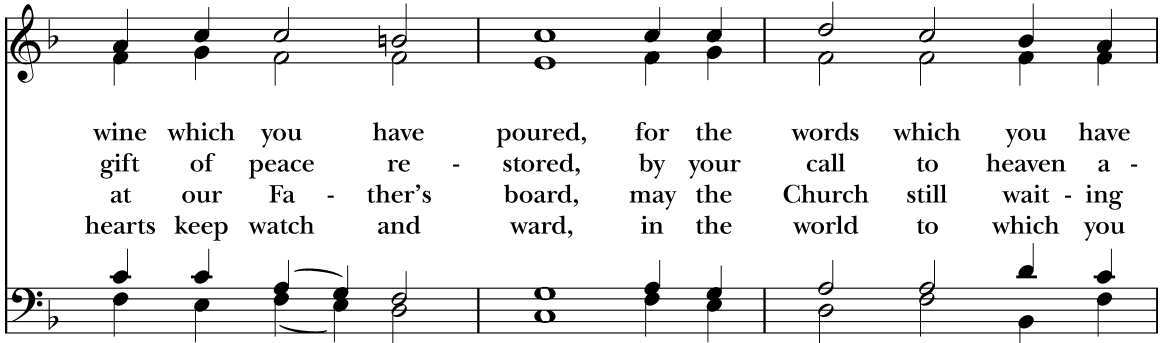
FOR THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY OVERSEAS & THEIR FAMILIES: LCDR Matthew Kircher, USN

THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR are given by Barbara Prettyman in memory of her beloved husband George.

To have someone included on our prayer list, you may: Contact the Parish Office by phone or email your prayer request to Tracey Stone at tstone@stjohnsec.org. **Names will remain on the prayer list for 30 days. After the initial 30 days, if you wish to have a name stay on the list, please re-submit your request.**



1 For the bread which you have bro - ken, for the
 2 By this pledge, Lord, that you love us, by your
 3 As our bless - ed ones a - dore you, seat - ed
 4 In your ser - vice, Lord, de - fend us; in our



wine which you have poured, for the words which you have
 gift of peace re - stored, by your call to heaven a -
 at our Fa - ther's board, may the Church still wait - ing
 hearts keep watch and ward, in the world to which you



spo - ken, now we give you thanks, O Lord.
 bove us, hal - low all our lives, O Lord.
 for you keep love's tie un - bro - ken, Lord.
 send us let your king - dom come, O Lord.

COMMUNION HYMN II *Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine*

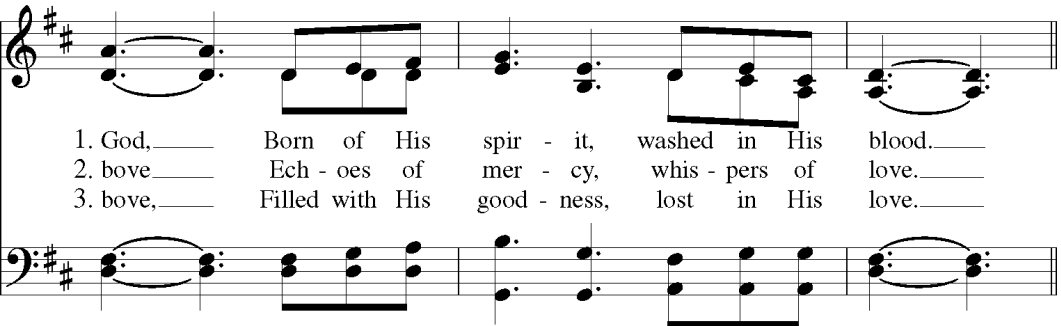
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Phoebe P. Knapp



1. Bless - ed as - sur - ance, Je - sus is mine! — O what a
 2. Per - fect sub - mis - sion, per - fect de - light, — Vi - sions of
 3. Per - fect sub - mis - sion, all is at rest, — I in my



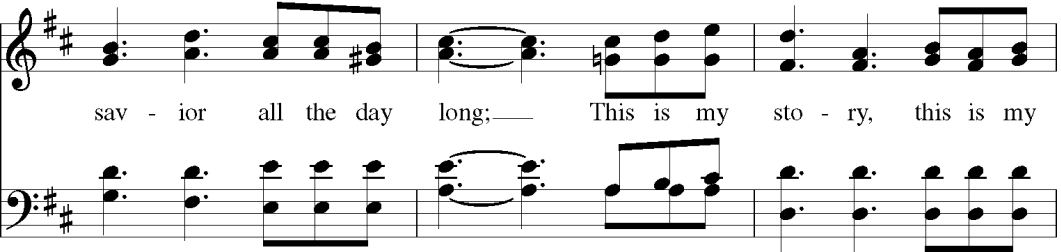
1. fore-taste of glo - ry di - vine! — Heir of sal - va - tion, pur - chase of
 2. rap - ture now burst on my sight; — An - gels de - scend - ing, bring from a -
 3. sav - ior am hap - py and blest; — Watch - ing and wait - ing, look - ing a -



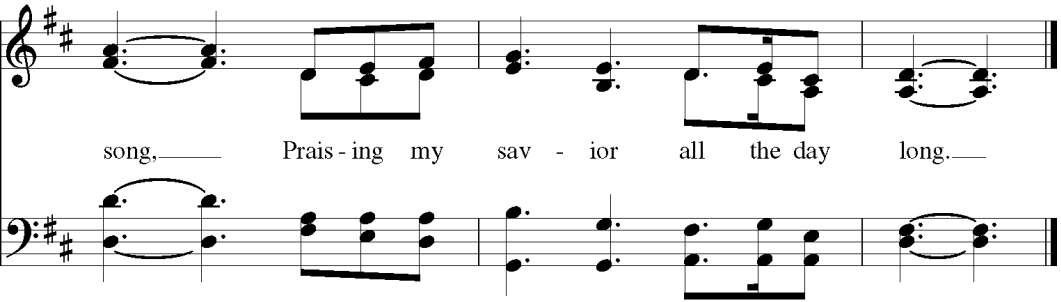
1. God, — Born of His spir - it, washed in His blood. —
 2. bove — Ech - oes of mer - cy, whis - pers of love. —
 3. bove, — Filled with His good - ness, lost in His love. —



This is my sto - ry, this is my song, — Prais - ing my



sav - ior all the day long; — This is my sto - ry, this is my



song, — Prais - ing my sav - ior all the day long. —



1 Love's re - deem - ing work is done, fought the fight, the
 2 Lives a - gain our glo - rious King; where, O death, is
 3 Soar we now where Christ has led, fol - lowing our ex -



bat - tle won. Death in vain for - bids him rise;
 now thy sting? Once he died our souls to save,
 alt - ed Head; made like him, like him we rise,



Christ has o - pened par - a - dise. Al - le - lu - ia!
 where thy vic - to - ry, O grave? Al - le - lu - ia!
 ours the cross, the grave, the skies. Al - le - lu - ia!



al - le - lu - ia! _____
 al - le - lu - ia! _____
 al - le - lu - (ia!) _____



BY THE GRACE OF GOD
AND THE CONSENT OF THE PEOPLE,

ST. JOHN'S, ELLICOTT CITY

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THE REV. CANON CHRISTINE MCCLOUD, PREACHING

YOUR PRAYERS AND PRESENCE ARE REQUESTED.

CLERGY: **RED STOLES**

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WEEKEND WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Saturdays, 5:00 p.m.: Contemplative Worship, Historic Church

Sundays, 9:00 a.m.: Family-friendly, Contemporary Worship, All Saints Hall

Sundays, 11:00 a.m.: Traditional Worship, Historic Church

(11:00 a.m. is livestreamed whenever possible on YouTube — <https://bit.ly/SJEC-YouTube>)

주일 성찬예배 오전 10:30, 한국어 성찬예배는 *Resurrection* 채널에서 드립니다.

Find more worship information at <https://www.stjohnsec.org>

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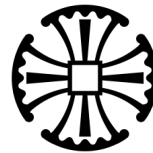
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