

The Mass

13th Sunday after Pentecost

23 August 2026



Lutheran Church of St Andrew the Apostle

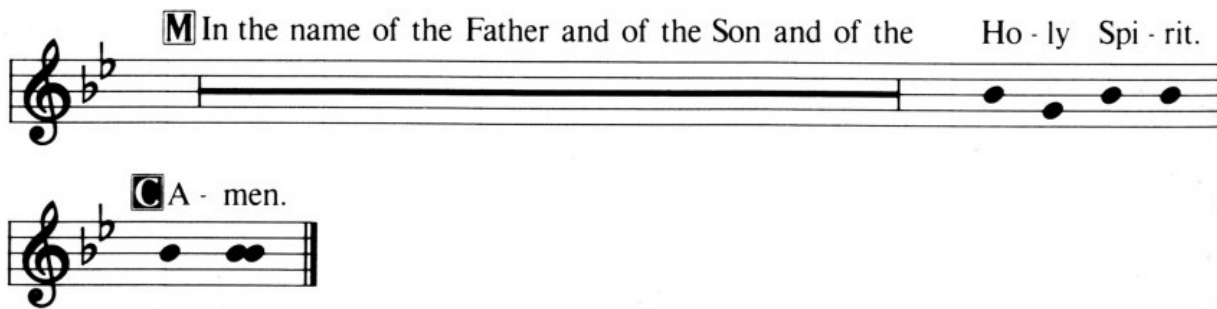
Wickham Terrace Brisbane

We acknowledge that our loving Creator God first gave the land on which we are placed, to the peoples of the First Nations who have walked and cared for this land since before recorded time. We thank God for the land's Traditional Custodians and pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging.

PREPARATION

INVOCATION

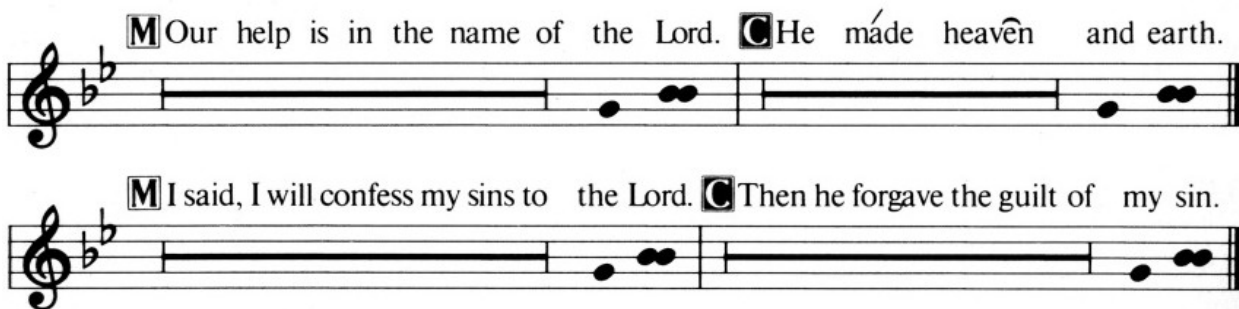
The congregation stands as the minister approaches the altar.



CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

M Dear friends in Christ: Let us draw near to God with a true heart to confess our sins, and ask him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.

The congregation may kneel or sit.



CONFESSION

A brief silence for reflection and self-examination is kept.

Gracious God,

have mercy on us.

**We confess that we have turned away from you,
knowingly and unknowingly.**

We have wandered from your resurrection life.

We have chosen fear over compassion.

We have strayed from your love for all people.

We have spoiled rather than stewarded your creation.

Turn us back to you, O God.

Give us new hearts and right spirits,

**that we may find what is pleasing to you
and dwell in your house forever. Amen.**

ABSOLUTION

The minister announces absolution.

M As a called and ordained servant of the Word, I announce the grace of God to all of you. On behalf of my Lord Jesus Christ, and by his command, I forgive the sins of all of you who repent and believe, in the name of the Father and of the Son † and of the Holy Spirit. Peace be with you.

C **Amen.**

HYMN LHS 188

The congregation sits.

1 Built on a rock the Church doth stand,
Even when steeples are falling;
Crumbled have spires in every land,
Bells still are chiming and calling;
Calling the young and old to rest,
Calling the souls of men distressed,
Longing for life everlasting.

2 Not in our temples made with hands
God, the almighty, is dwelling;
High in the heavens His temple stands,
All earthly temples excelling;
Yet He Who dwells in heaven above
Deigns to abide with us in love,
Making our bodies His temple.

3 We are God's house of living stones,
Built for His own habitation;
He fills our hearts, His humble thrones,
Granting us life and salvation.
Were there but few that seek His face,
He in their midst would show His grace,
Blessings upon them bestowing.

4 Here in this house, and earthly frame,
 Jesus the children is blessing;
 Hither we come to praise His name,
 Faith in our Saviour confessing;
 Jesus has made His covenant sure,
 Giving us faith that will endure,
 Granting His children the kingdom.

5 Through all the passing years, O Lord,
 Grant that, when church bells are ringing,
 Many may come to hear God's Word
 Where He this promise is bringing:
 I know My own, My own know Me;
 Ye, not the world, My face shall see;
 My peace I leave with you, Amen.

Kirken den er et gammelt Hus
 Nikolaj Frederik Severin Grundtvig (1783-1872)
 Tr. Carl Doving, 1909
 Revised, Fred C.M. Hansen, 1958

KYRIE (LORD HAVE MERCY)

The congregation stands.

Matthäus Greitter, 1525

I Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. **II** Lord, have mer - cy.

or Lord, have mer - cy.

Chri - ste e - lei - son. Christ, have mer - cy.

or Christ, have mer - cy.

Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Lord, have mer - cy

GLORIA (GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST)

Matthäus Greittner, 1525

M Glo - ry to God in the high - est. **C** And on earth peace,

among those with whom he is pleased.

I We praise you, we bless you, *II* we wor - ship you,

we glo - ri - fy you, *I-II* we give thanks to you for your great glo - ry,

I O Lord God, heavēn-ly king, *II* God, the Fa - ther Al - migh - ty.

I-II O Lord, the on - ly be - got - ten Son, Je - sus Christ,

I O Lord God, Lamb of God, *II* Son of the Fa - ther:

I You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.

II You take a - way the sin of the world; re - ceive our prayer.

I-II You are seat - ed at the right hand of God the Fa - ther; have mer - cy

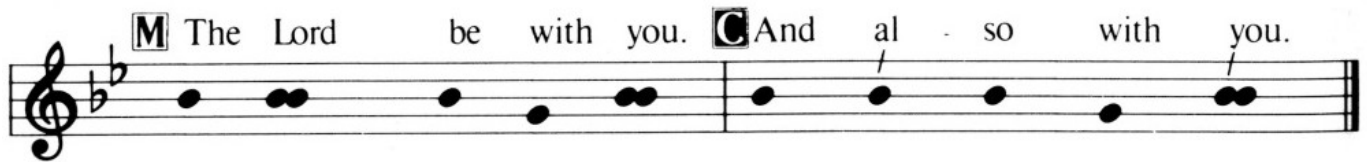
on us. *I* For you a - lone are ho - ly, *II* you a - lone

are Lord, *I* you a - lone, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit,

II are most high in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther.

I-II A - - - - - men.

GREETING AND PRAYER OF THE DAY



M O God, with all your faithful followers of every age, we praise you, the rock of our life. Be our strong foundation and form us into the body of your Son, that we may gladly minister to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

The congregation sits.

FIRST READING

Isaiah 51:1–6 The earth will pass away, but God's salvation is forever

After the reading:

Lector The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM

The congregation joins in singing the antiphon.

Psalm 138

(c) Alan Collyer 2000



- ¹ I give you thanks, O LORD, with my whole heart;
before the gods I sing your praise;
- ² I bow down towards your holy temple
and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness;
for you have exalted your name and your word
above everything.
- ³ On the day I called, you answered me,
you increased my strength of soul. **Antiphon.**

- ⁴ All the kings of the earth shall praise you, O LORD,
for they have heard the words of your mouth.
- ⁵ They shall sing of the ways of the LORD,
for great is the glory of the LORD.
- ⁶ For though the LORD is high, he regards the lowly;
but the haughty he perceives from far away. **Antiphon.**
- ⁷ Though I walk in the midst of trouble,
you preserve me against the wrath of my enemies;
you stretch out your hand,
and your right hand delivers me.
- ⁸ The LORD will fulfil his purpose for me;
your steadfast love, O LORD, endures for ever.
Do not forsake the work of your hands. **Antiphon.**

SECOND READING Romans 12:1–8 The New Life in Christ

After the reading:

Lector The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL (HYMN OF THE DAY) LHS 331

The congregation sits.

1 My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
No merit of my own I claim,
But wholly lean on Jesus' name:
On Christ, the solid rock I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand.

2 When darkness veils His lonely face
I rest on His unchanging grace;
In every high and stormy gale
My anchor holds within the veil:
On Christ, the solid rock I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand.

3 His oath, his covenant, and His blood,
Support me in the whelming flood;
When all around my soul gives way,
He then is all my hope and stay:
On Christ, the solid rock I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand.

4 When I shall launch to worlds unseen,
O may I then be found in Him,
Clothed in His righteousness alone,
Faultless to stand before the throne:
On Christ, the solid rock I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand.

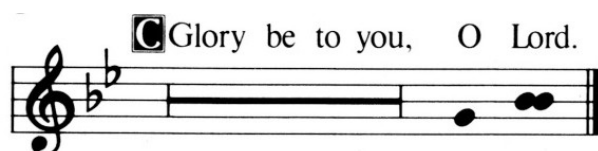
Edward Mote (1797-1874), alt.

GOSPEL Matthew 16:13–20 Peter declares Jesus to be the Christ

The congregation stands.

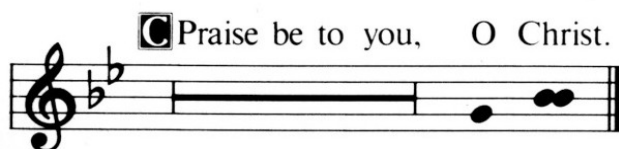


The minister announces the Gospel.



After the Gospel:

M This is the Gospel of the Lord.



The congregation sits after the reading of the gospel.

SERMON

A brief silence is kept after the sermon.

THE NICENE CREED

The congregation stands.

**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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.
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,
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,
who 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.**

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

The congregation sits.

M Let us pray...

After each petition:

M Jesus, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

C Amen.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

OFFERTORY HYMN LHS 191

The congregation sits. The Offering is gathered during the hymn.

Those who administer communion move to the vestry to wash their hands.

1 The Church's one foundation
Is Jesus Christ her Lord;
She is His new creation
By water and the Word:
From heaven He came and sought her
To be His holy bride;
With His own blood He bought her,
And for her life He died.

2 Elect from every nation,
Yet one o'er all the earth,
Her charter of salvation
One Lord, one faith, one birth;
One holy name she blesses,
Partakes one holy food,
And to one hope she presses
With every grace endued.

3 Though with a scornful wonder
Men see her sore oppressed,
By schisms rent asunder,
By heresies distressed,
Yet saints their watch are keeping,
Their cry goes up, 'How long?'
And soon the night of weeping
Shall be the morn of song.

4 Mid toil and tribulation,
 And tumult of her war,
 She waits the consummation
 Of peace for evermore;
 Till with the vision glorious
 Her longing eyes are blest,
 And the great Church victorious
 Shall be the Church at rest.

5 Yet she on earth hath union
 With God the Three in One,
 And mystic sweet communion
 With those whose rest is won:
 O happy ones and holy!
 Lord, give us grace that we,
 Like them the meek and lowly,
 On high may dwell with Thee.

Samuel John Stone (1839-1900)

OFFERTORY

The congregation stands as the offering is brought forward.

ad. from J.G. Wienert, 1646

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and

right spi - rit with - in me. Cast me not a - way

from your pre - sence, and take not your Ho - ly Spi - rit

from me. Re - store to me the joy of your sal - va - tion,

and up - hold me with a will - ing spi - rit.

CALL TO THANKSGIVING AND SANCTUS

The congregation stands.

M The Lord be with you. **C** And al - so with you.

M Lift up your hearts. **C** We lift them up to the Lord.

M Let us give thanks to the Lord. **C** For that is fit - ting and right.

M It is truly fitting and right, and for our lasting good, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks to you. O Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God, through Jesus Christ our Lord;

Who on this day overcame death by his resurrection and opened up for us the way to eternal life with you.

Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we adore and magnify your glorious name, evermore praising you and saying:

Neuenrade, 1524

C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of hosts;

heavēn and earth are full of your glo - ry. 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.

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

M Lord, our God, you are almighty and holy.

You gave life to all creation and created us in your own image.

You did not forsake us to be ruled by sin and death;

instead, through the prophets, you promised a day of salvation.

When the time had come, you sent your Son.

He was born a human and redeemed us on the cross.

In him you made peace with us.

Send us, we pray, your Holy Spirit

and bless these gifts, this bread and wine,

by which we participate in the body and blood of Christ,

as we celebrate the holy supper as Jesus himself commanded us to do.

Amen. Come Lord Jesus.

M Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when he was betrayed, took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, and said: Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way he took the cup, after the supper, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, Drink of it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

M Great is the mystery of faith.

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

M Send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen our faith so that we who receive the body and blood of Christ may live as true members of the body of your Son.

Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

M Join our prayers with those of your servants of every time and every place, and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great high priest until he comes as victorious Lord of all.

Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.

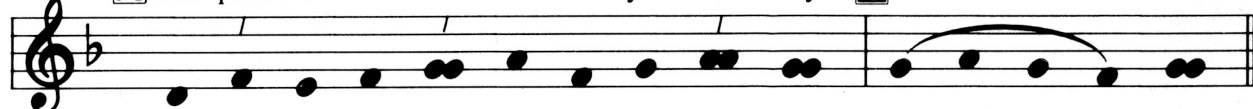
LORD'S PRAYER

M As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are confident to say:

**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.
Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory
are yours now and forever.
Amen.**

PEACE

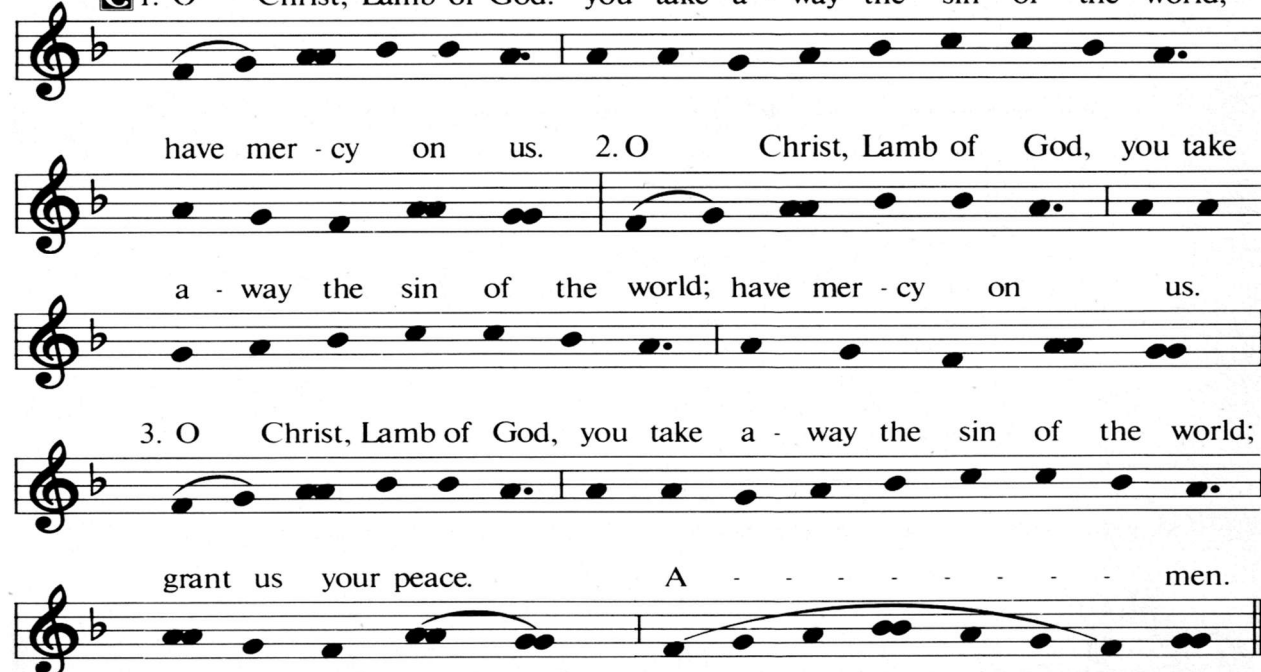
M The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways. **C** A - - - - men.



LAMB OF GOD

C 1. O Christ, Lamb of God. you take a - way the sin of the world;
have mer - cy on us. 2. O Christ, Lamb of God, you take
a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.

3. O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;
grant us your peace. A - - - - - men.



DISTRIBUTION

Christ invites us to his table. All baptised Christians who believe they receive Jesus's body and blood for their forgiveness and good are welcome to receive the Sacrament.

*Receive **the bread, the Body of Christ**, in your open hands.*

*Then, proceed to receive **the wine, the Blood of Christ** for our salvation. **The common cup** is our standard practice; individual cups are provided for those who are unwell or have health concerns.*

*You may say **Amen** in response to the words spoken.*

*The Body of Christ, given for you. **Amen***

*The Blood of Christ, shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. **Amen.***

*All wafers distributed to the congregation are **low-gluten** (except the large host held by the presiding minister).*

If you do not wish to receive communion, you are invited to come forward, cross your hands in front of your chest, and receive a blessing.

DISMISSAL

The congregation stands.

M May the body of our Lord Jesus Christ and his precious blood, strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life eternal. Go in peace. **Amen.**

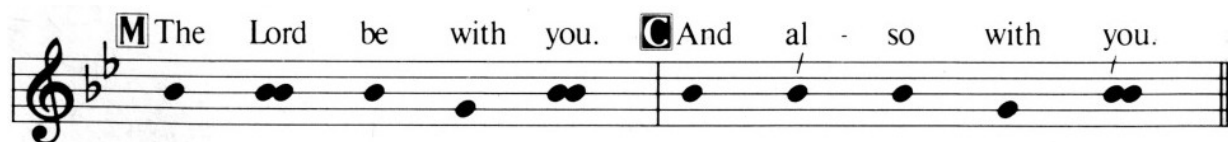
POST-COMMUNION SONG (SONG OF SIMEON)

**LORD, NOW let your servant depart in peace,
according to your word.**

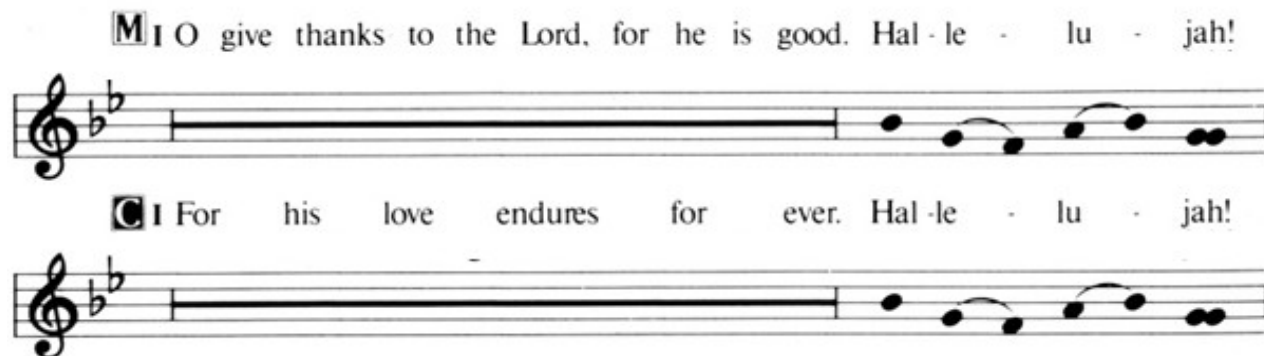
**For my eyes have seen your salvation,
which you have prepared in the presence of all people;
a light to reveal you to the nations,
and the glory of your people Israel.**

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

GREETING



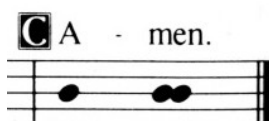
THANKSGIVING



POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

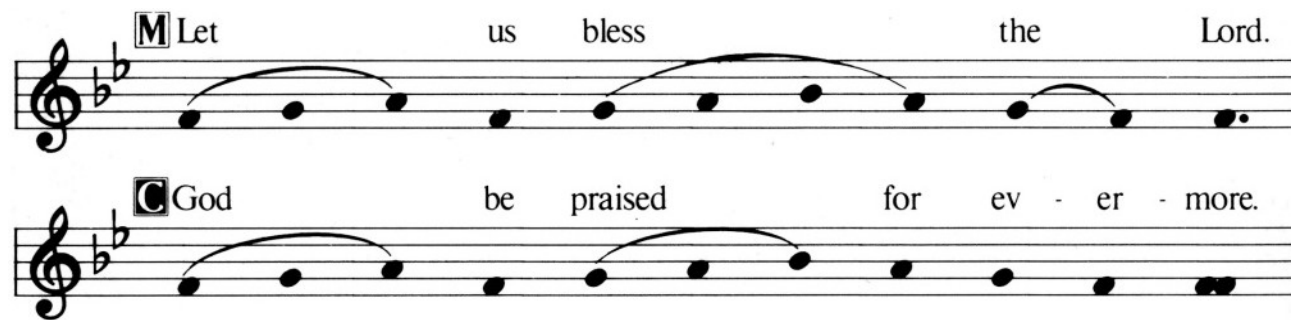


We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through this healing gift; and we pray that through it you would graciously strengthen us in faith toward you and in love toward one another; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



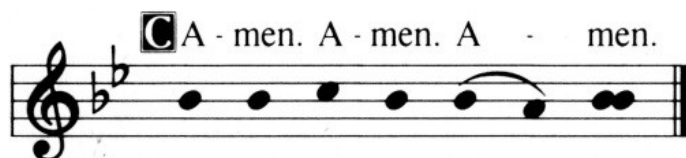
SENDING

LET US BLESS



BENEDICTION (BLESSING)

M The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favour, and give you peace.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

The congregation sits as the announcements are given.

FINAL HYMN TIS 569

1 Guide me, O thou great Redeemer,
pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but thou art mighty;
hold me with thy powerful hand:
bread of heaven, bread of heaven,
feed me now and evermore, feed me now and evermore.

2 Open now the crystal fountain
whence the living waters flow:
let the fiery, cloudy pillar
lead me all my journey through:
strong deliverer, strong deliverer,
be thou still my strength and shield, be thou still my strength and shield.

3 When I tread the verge of Jordan
bid my anxious fears subside;
death of death, and hell's destruction,
land me safe on Canaan's side:
songs of praises, songs of praises,
I will ever give to thee, I will ever give to thee.

William Williams 1717-1791, tr. Peter Williams, 1722-96 and William Williams alt

DISMISSAL

M Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Liturgy and worship sources:

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Please feel free to take this service sheet with you.

We are glad you were here today. If you would like someone to contact you later, or to receive our weekly newsletter, please talk to one of the ministers or ushers.

Please join us for some time together over morning tea! Please gather downstairs after we leave the church.

Candles are available should you wish to use the candle bowl in memory of a loved one.

The toilets are downstairs. During the service, you can access them through the door left to the pulpit (and down the steps)

A baby changing table is available downstairs, in the hall

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