

The Mass

19th Sunday after Pentecost

4 October 2026



Caravaggio, 1600: The Conversion on the Way to Damascus (detail).
Cerasi Chapel, Basilica of Santa Maria del Popolo, Rome.

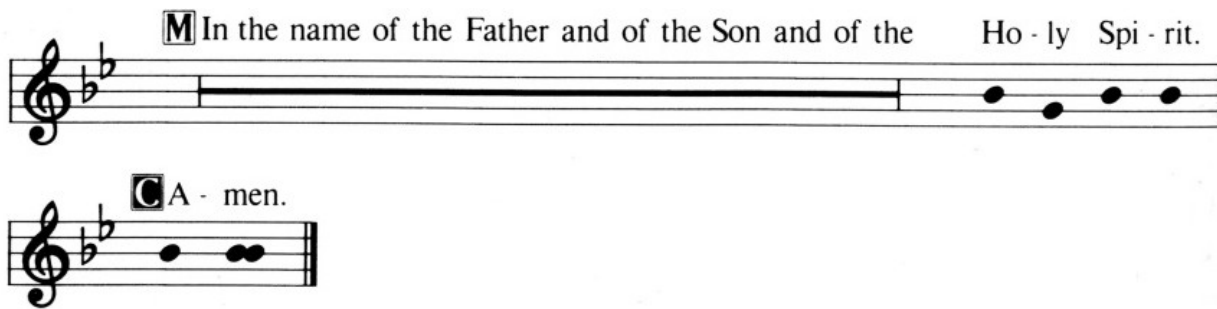
Lutheran Church of St Andrew the Apostle
Wickham Terrace Brisbane

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

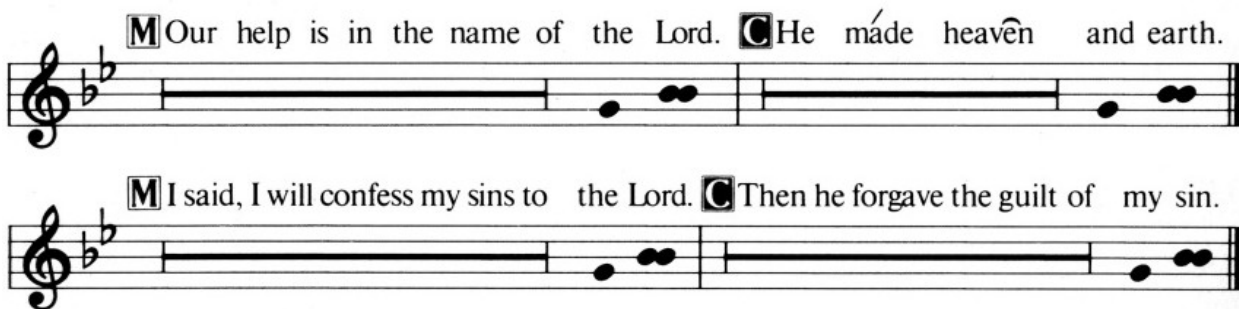
The congregation stands as the minister approaches the altar.



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 sits.



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 152

The congregation sits.

1 Fairest Lord Jesus,
King of creation,
Son of God and Mary's Son:
Thee will I cherish,
Thee will I honour,
O Thou my soul's delight and crown.

2 Fair are the meadows,
Fair are the woodlands,
In the garb of verdant spring:
Jesus is fairer,
Jesus is purer;
He makes the saddest heart to sing.

3 Fair is the sunshine,
Fair is the moonlight,
Bright the stars that gem the sky:
Jesus shines brighter,
Jesus shines purer,
Than all the hosts of God on high.

4 Fairest Lord Jesus,
King of creation,
Son of God and Mary's Son:
Glory and honour,
Praise, adoration,
Ever be Thine, and Thine alone.

Anonymous, Munster, 1677, Tr. Joseph Augustus Seiss, 1873, Revised, Hymnal Compilers

KYRIE (LORD HAVE MERCY)

The congregation stands.

Matthäus Greitter, 1525

I **M** Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. *II* **C** 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 The Lord be with you. **C** And al - so with you.

M Let us pray.

Almighty and merciful God, in your goodness defend us from everything that might hurt us, so that we may be ready in body and soul to do cheerfully what is according to your will. We ask this through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

The congregation sits.

FIRST READING

Isaiah 5:1-7 The song of the vineyard

After the reading:

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

PSALM Psalm 80:7-15

The congregation joins in singing the antiphon.

Antiphon: Restore us, O God of hosts; let your face shine, that we may be saved.

⁸ You brought a vine out of Egypt;
you drove out the nations and planted it.

⁹ You cleared the ground for it;
it took deep root and filled the land. **Antiphon.**

¹⁰ The mountains were covered with its shade,
the mighty cedars with its branches;

¹¹ it sent out its branches to the sea,
and its shoots to the River.

¹² Why then have you broken down its walls,
so that all who pass along the way pluck its fruit?

¹³ The boar from the forest ravages it,
and all that move in the field feed on it. **Antiphon.**

¹⁴ Turn again, O God of hosts;
look down from heaven, and see;
have regard for this vine,

¹⁵ the stock that your right hand planted. **Antiphon.**

SECOND READING

Philippians 3:4b-14 Everything loss compared to Christ

After the reading:

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

GRADUAL (HYMN OF THE DAY) LHS 54

The congregation sits.

1 When I survey the wondrous cross
On which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss
And pour contempt on all my pride.

2 Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,
Save in the death of Christ, my God;
All the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to His blood.

3 See from His head, His hands, His feet,
Sorrow and love flow mingled down:
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

4 Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were an offering far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all.

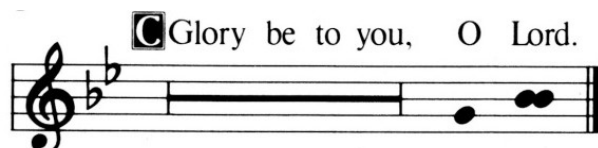
Isaac Watts (1674-1748), alt.

GOSPEL Matthew 21:33-46 Parable of the tenants in the vineyard

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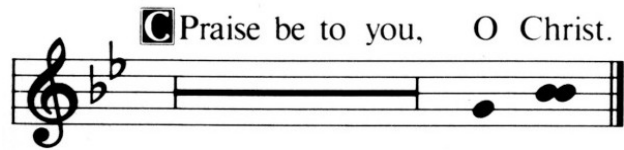


The minister announces the Gospel.



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 Righteous God, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

C Amen.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

OFFERTORY HYMN LHS 377

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

1 Take my life, and let it be
Consecrated, Lord, to Thee;
Take my moments and my days,
Let them flow in ceaseless praise.

2 Take my hands, and let them move
At the impulse of Thy love;
Take my feet, and let them be
Swift and beautiful for Thee.

3 Take my voice, and let me sing
Always, only, for my king;
Take my lips, and let them be
Filled with messages from Thee.

4 Take my silver and my gold,
Not a mite would I withhold;
Take my intellect, and use
Every power as Thou shalt choose.

5 Take my will, and make it Thine:
It shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart: it is Thine own,
It shall be Thy royal throne.

6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour
At Thy feet its treasure-store.
Take myself, and I will be
Ever, only, all for Thee.

Frances Ridley Havergal (1836-1879)

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.

THE PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

The congregation stands.

M God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence. Through Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

CALL TO THANKSGIVING AND SANCTUS

The congregation stands.

The musical notation consists of three staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are written above the notes, with 'M' and 'C' markers indicating the start of new phrases. The first staff contains the lyrics 'The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.' The second staff contains 'Lift up your hearts. We lift them up to the Lord.' The third staff contains 'Let us give thanks to the Lord. For that is fit - ting and right.'

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

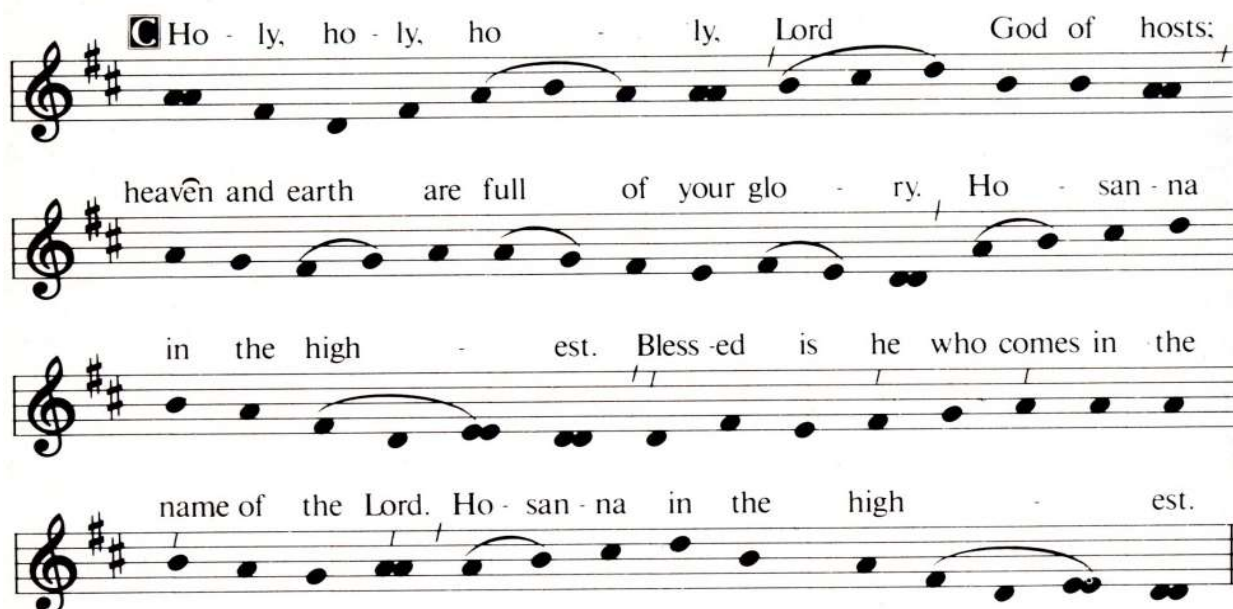
M Lift up your hearts. **C** We lift them up to the Lord.

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:



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.

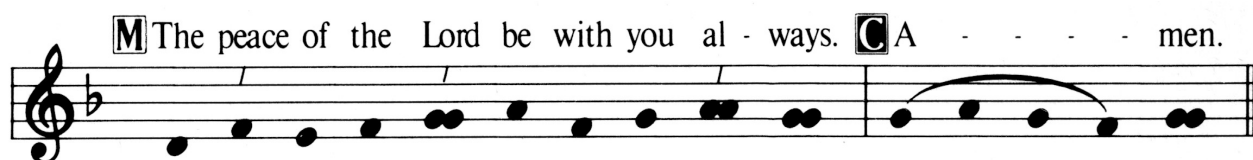
Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.

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



LAMB OF GOD

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.**

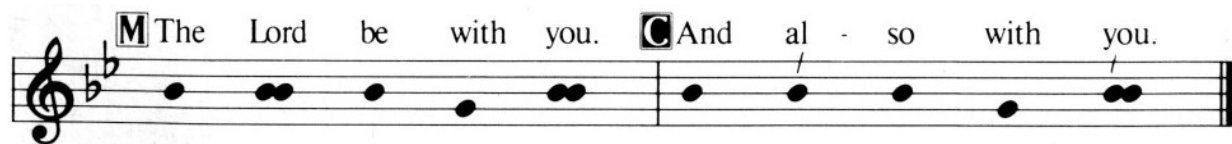
POST-COMMUNION SONG (SONG OF SIMEON)

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

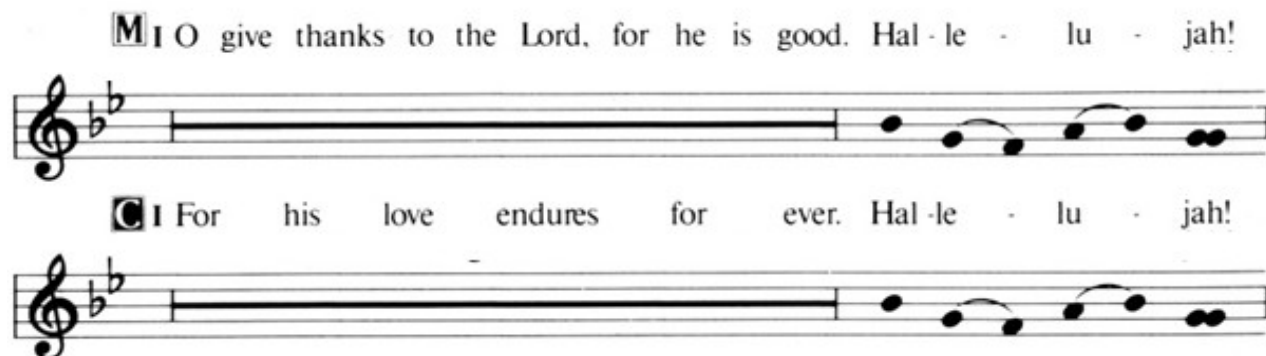
For my eyes have seen your salvation,
which you have prepared in the presence of all people;
a light to reveal you to the nations,
and the glory of your people Israel.

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

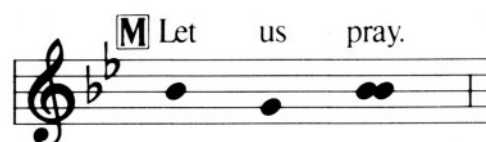
GREETING



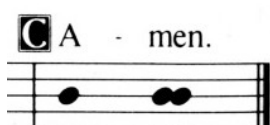
THANKSGIVING



POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

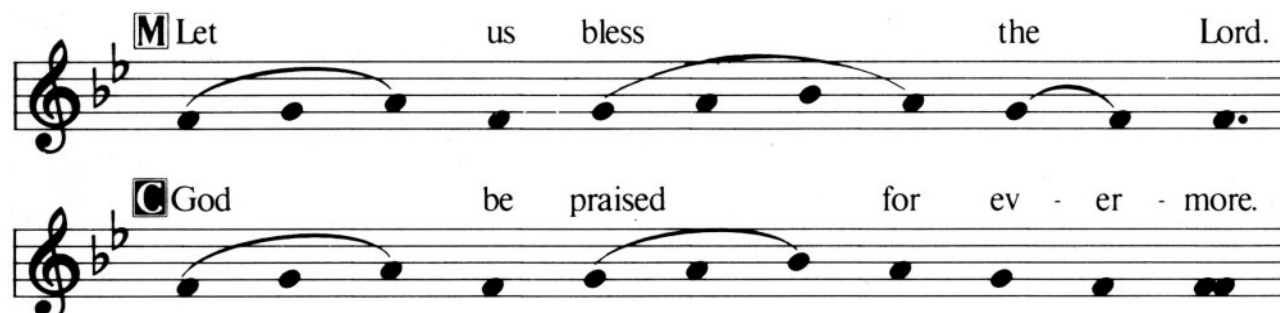


We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through this healing gift; and we pray that through it you would graciously strengthen us in faith toward you and in love toward one another; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God,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



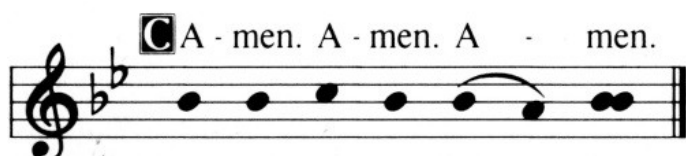
SENDING

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.



FINAL HYMN LHS 903

1 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!
Unnumbered blessings, give my spirit voice;
tender to me the promise of his Word;
in God my Saviour shall my heart rejoice.

2 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his name!
Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;
his mercy sure, from age to age the same;
his holy name - the Lord, the mighty One.

3 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his might!
Powers and dominions lay their glory by.
Proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight,
the hungry fed, the humble lifted high.

4 Tell out, my soul, the glories of his Word!
Firm is his promise, and his mercy sure.
Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord
to children's children and for evermore!

Based on the Magnificat (Luke 1:46-55)
Timothy Dudley-Smith 1926-

DISMISSAL

M Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

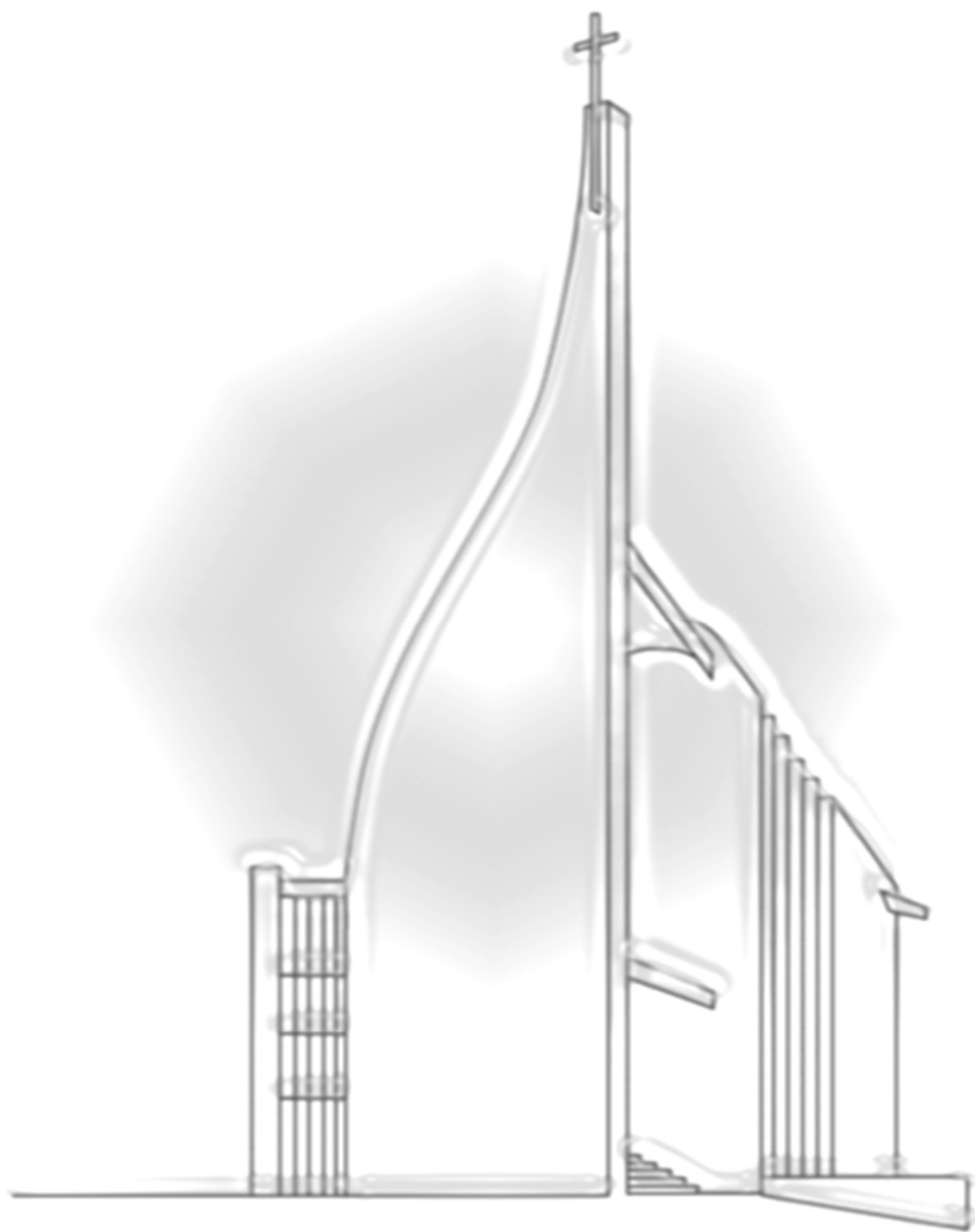
ANNOUNCEMENTS

The congregation sits as the announcements are given.

POSTLUDE

Liturgy and worship sources:

- The liturgy is adapted from the Service with Communion, p. 6 of the *Lutheran Hymnal with Supplement*, Lutheran Publishing House, Adelaide, 2002.
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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!

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

The toilets are downstairs. A baby changing table is available.

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