

ORDINARY PEOPLE ✦ EXTRAORDINARY SPIRIT  
**CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
EAST NORWALK, CONNECTICUT



THEY HAVE GIVEN THEIR  
SONS TO THE MILITARY  
SERVICES. THEY HAVE  
STOKED THE FURNACES  
AND HURRIED THE  
FACTORY WHEELS. THEY  
HAVE MADE THE PLANES  
AND WELDED THE TANKS,  
RIVETED THE SHIPS AND  
ROLLED THE SHELLS.  
PRESIDENT FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT



VETERANS SUNDAY

THE TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2017

**A few housekeeping notes before worship begins:**

*Please consider entering the sanctuary in silence, reverence, and in preparation for worship.*

*Please turn off your cellular telephones as you enjoy the prelude! Thank You.*

*ALL are invited to worship in this place, including young children and their occasional noise; so, if your child needs to stretch their legs, we have a long aisle and a few steps just for such things.*

*IF (and only IF) YOU would prefer—Christ Church does offer childcare during worship.*

*If you think your child might benefit from having a book available to them, they are located on book racks in the narthex (at the front doors) and the Gathering Place (out the side door, to the right of the pulpit).*

*A wheelchair accessible, all-gender restroom (also equipped with infant changing table) is located out the side door (to the right of the pulpit) and then to your left.*

*Gluten free hosts are available upon request.*

*Small amplification devices, with individual earphones, are available in the narthex (at the front doors).*

*Please consult an usher for answers to other questions you may have.*

*There's a place for Everyone at Christ Episcopal Church. Welcome home!*

**MEMORIALS:** The flowers near the Altar are in memory of Fr. Frank Wismer, Andy Kish, Phil Marzolf, Ray Durant, Guy Miller and all departed veterans by the Christ Church Parish Family and in loving memory of Brian West by his family.

The Vigil Light burns this week in memory of Edna Terry and Margaret Gardiner by their loving family.

**DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER:** The 233<sup>rd</sup> Annual Convention of the Episcopal Church in Connecticut, meeting Nov. 17-18 in Greenwich, CT

**PENNIES FOR HEAVEN:** The Altar Guild is collecting pocket change to purchase food to donate to Person to Person in November. Please help us make someone's Thanksgiving truly thankful. There is a container for change on the display case in the Gathering Place. *Thank you.*  
*Sarah French*

**BOOK BUNCH:** The next book club meeting is November 14, at 7:30. The book selection is State of Wonder by Ann Patchett. Please contact Debbie Ross at DRoss56@aol.com for more details.

**VETERANS' SUNDAY:** This morning we honor all Veterans with a special service at 10:00am. All are invited to stay after the service for the **Annual Col. Frank Wismer Chili Cook-Off.**

**VESTRY MEETING:** The vestry will meet tomorrow, November 13 7:00pm. All Parishioners are reminded that they can bring any concerns or questions to a vestry member, or are welcome to attend the meeting themselves.

**CHRISTMAS FAIR:** The Holiday Fair will be held at Christ Church on December 9 from 9:00am to 4:00pm. In addition to an extensive holiday tag sale, Barbara Felter has hand-picked and organized at least 17 vendors to participate in the fair. She has also put together a Chinese Auction, featuring fabulous prizes ranging from a Henckels knife set to a movie pass gift packet to a ride on a steam train! She also has several great restaurant gift certificates.

The fair will also include a bake sale, from our great cooks in the Women's Group. Baked goods can be delivered Friday night or Saturday morning before 9am. The Women's Group is also sponsoring a raffle for a gift basket filled with delicious and imaginative items for a great Christmas celebration.

You are invited to help and participate! Barbara will need help on Friday, December 8 from 10am to 2pm and Friday evening from 6pm to 8pm. She especially needs help cleaning up. Please see Barbara or call her at 203-847-5237 to volunteer for one or more 2-hour blocks of time. Be sure to get yourself on the schedule soon! Donations of Christmas-themed items for the tag sale are appreciated. ***Please save your non-Christmas items till next year - storage space in the church is very limited.***

**SPOTLIGHT ON:** As a way for us to learn more about each other, we are highlighting Christ Church parishioners on our website. Visit our Facebook page to learn more about our own Ed Zamm.

**BACKPACK CLUBS:** You too may join the CT Food Bank in its regular support of Backpack Clubs in the Norwalk Public Schools. Barbara Felter as the point person. Items may be left in the basket near the pulpit or presented in the same at the offertory.

**Items needed:**

Juice Boxes  
Milk Boxes (same style, like Parmalat, etc.)  
Single Serve Cereals  
Fruit Snacks  
Fruit Cups  
Instant Oatmeal Packets (not cardboard cans)  
Granola Bars  
Chef Boyardee Ravioli Cups w/pull tops  
Macaroni and Cheese Cups w/pull tops  
Single Serve Chips/Popcorn

# The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

The Liturgy of the Word

BCP, 355

The Opening Hymn 718

God of Our Fathers

1 God of our fa - thers, whose al - might - y  
 2 Thy love di - vine hath led us in the  
 3 From war's a - larms, from dead - ly pes - ti -  
 4 Re - fresh thy peo - ple on their toil - some

hand leads forth in beau - ty all the star - ry band  
 past, in this free land by thee our lot is cast;  
 lence, be thy strong arm our ev - er sure de - fense;  
 way, lead us from night to nev - er - end - ing day;

of shin - ing worlds in splen - dor through the skies,  
 be thou our ru - ler, guard - ian, guide, and stay  
 thy true re - li - gion in our hearts in - crease,  
 fill all our lives with love and grace di - vine,

our grate - ful songs be - fore thy throne a - rise.  
 thy word our law, thy paths our cho - sen way.  
 thy bount - eous good - ness nour - ish us in peace.  
 and glo - ry, laud, and praise be ev - er thine.

*The people stand if able, the Celebrant then continues*

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

People: *And blessed be his 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.

The Gloria: Hymn S278

Matbias

1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and  
peace to his peo-ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven-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 Celebrant says to the people.*

The Lord be with you.

*People:* And also with you.

*Celebrant:* 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 Lessons**

*The people sit.*

### **A Reading from the Book of Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25**

Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel; and they presented themselves before God. And Joshua said to all the people, "Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel: 'Long ago your ancestors—Terah and his sons Abraham and Nahor—lived beyond the Euphrates and served other gods. Then I took your father Abraham from beyond the River and led him through all the land of Canaan and made his offspring many.' Now therefore revere the Lord, and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness; put away the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the Lord. Now if you are unwilling to serve the Lord, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord." Then the people answered, "Far be it from us that we should forsake the Lord to serve other gods; for it is the Lord our God who brought us and our ancestors up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight. He protected us along all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed; and the Lord drove out before us all the peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve the Lord, for he is our God." But Joshua said to the people, "You cannot serve the Lord, for he is a holy God. He is a jealous God; he will not forgive your transgressions or your sins. If you forsake the Lord and serve foreign gods, then he will turn and do you harm, and consume you, after having done you good." And the people said to Joshua, "No, we will serve the Lord!" Then Joshua said to the people, "You are witnesses against yourselves that you have chosen the Lord, to serve him." And they said, "We are witnesses." He said, "Then put away the foreign gods that are among you, and incline your hearts to the Lord, the God of Israel." The people said to Joshua, "The Lord our God we will serve, and him we will obey." So Joshua made a covenant with the people that day, and made statutes and ordinances for them at Shechem.

The Word of the Lord.

*People:*

*Thanks be to God.*

**Psalm 78:1-7**

*Attendite, popule*

- 1 Hear my teaching, O my people; \*  
incline your ears to the words of my mouth.
- 2 I will open my mouth in a parable; \*  
I will declare the mysteries of ancient times.
- 3 That which we have heard and known,  
and what our forefathers have told us, \*  
we will not hide from their children.
- 4 We will recount to generations to come  
the praiseworthy deeds and the power of the Lord, \*  
and the wonderful works he has done.
- 5 He gave his decrees to Jacob  
and established a law for Israel, \*  
which he commanded them to teach their children;
- 6 That the generations to come might know,  
and the children yet unborn; \*  
that they in their turn might tell it to their children;
- 7 So that they might put their trust in God, \*  
and not forget the deeds of God,  
but keep his commandments;

**A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Thessalonians 4:13-18**

We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord forever. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

The Word of the Lord.

*People:* *Thanks be to God.*

*Silence may follow.*

*All stand if able.*



The Sequence Hymn 608

Eternal Father

*1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> before  
3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> after the Gospel*

1 E - ter - nal Fa - ther, strong to save, whose arm hath bound the  
2 O Christ, whose voice the wa - ters heard and hushed their ra - ging  
3 Most Ho - ly Spi - rit, who didst brood up - on the cha - os  
4 O Trin - i - ty of love and power, thy chil - dren shield in

rest - less wave, who bidd'st the might - y o - cean deep its  
at thy word, who walk - edst on the foam - ing deep, and  
dark and rude, and bid its an - gry tu - mult cease, and  
dan - ger's hour; from rock and tem - pest, fire and foe, pro -

own ap - point - ed lim - its keep: O hear us when we  
calm a - mid its rage didst sleep: O hear us when we  
give, for wild con - fu - sion, peace; O hear us when we  
tect them where - so - e'er they go; thus ev - er - more shall

cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.  
cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.  
cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.  
rise to thee glad hymns of praise from land and sea.

*Then, all standing if able, the Deacon or a Priest reads the Gospel, first saying*

**The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew 25:1-13**

*People:            Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Jesus said, "The kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, 'Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise replied, 'No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.' And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' But he replied, 'Truly I tell you, I do not know you.' Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

*After the Gospel, the Reader says*

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

*The people sit.*

## The Sermon

*The Rev. Laura V. Queen*

*Then, all standing if able, the Celebrant continues with*

### The Nicene Creed

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,**  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped 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.*

*Silence may follow. All kneel if able.*

# 431 Let There Be Peace on Earth

Let there be peace on earth, and let it be - gin with

me; let there be peace on earth, the peace that was

meant to be. \*With God our cre - a - tor,

chil - dren all are we. Let us

walk with each oth - er in per - fect har - mo - ny.

*\*Original words: With God as our Father, brothers all are we. Let me walk with my brother in perfect harmony.*

WORDS: Sy Miller and Jill Jackson

MUSIC: Sy Miller and Jill Jackson; harm. by Charles H. Webb, 1987

WORLD PEACE

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Let peace be - gin with me; let this be the mo - ment

now. With ev - ery step I take, let

this be my sol - emn vow: to take each mo - ment and

live each mo - ment in peace e - ter - nal - ly.

Let there be peace on earth, and let it be - gin with me.

## The Prayers of the People

BCP, 387

*The Leader and People pray responsively*

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;  
*That we all may be one.*

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you; **for the 233<sup>rd</sup> Annual Convention of the Episcopal Church in Connecticut, meeting Nov. 17-18 in Greenwich, CT**  
*That your Name may be glorified by all people.*

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;  
for **Justin**, Archbishop of Canterbury; **Michael**, our Presiding Bishop;  
**Ian and Laura**, our own Bishops; and **Laura**, our Priest.  
We also pray for **Don**, for **Ned**, and all those discerning a call to ordained ministry.  
*That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.*

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;  
*That there may be justice and peace on the earth.*

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;  
*That our works may find favor in your sight.*

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble,  
*That they may be delivered from their distress.*

Give to the departed eternal rest;  
*Let light perpetual shine upon them.*

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;  
*May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.*

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others, especially... *(prayer list is read)*

**(We respond by repeating the names raised by the intercessor in prayer.)**

*The People may add their own petitions.*

Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on your Church, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a priest for this parish, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*The Intercessor continues.*

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

*Silence may be kept.*

*Intercessor and People*

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.*

*Celebrant:* Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all good ness, and by the power of the holy spirit keep you in eternal life

*People* *Amen.*

## **The Peace**

**BCP, 360**

*All stand if able. The Celebrant says to the people*

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

## **Announcements ~**

### **Honoring Our Veterans**

#### **Remarks:**

Ed Zamm, Peter Hughes, and Richard Olson

*(Veterans, please stand as you are able when the song of your branch is sung.)*

#### **The Army Goes Rolling Along** *(Army)*

Over hill, over dale  
As we hit the dusty trail  
And the army goes rolling along.  
In and out, hear them shout,  
Counter march and right about,  
And the Army goes rolling along.

Then it's Hi! Hi! Hee!  
In the field artillery  
Shout out your numbers loud and strong  
For where e'er you go. You will always know,  
That the Army goes rolling along.

**Marine Hymn** (*Marines*)

From the halls of Montezuma, To the shores  
of Tripoli  
We will fight our country's battle,  
In the air on land and sea.  
First to fight for right and freedom  
And to keep our honor clean.  
We are proud to claim the title of United  
States Marine.

**Anchors Aweigh** (*Navy*)

Anchors Aweigh, my boys, Anchors Aweigh.  
Farewell to college joys, we sail at break of  
day .  
Through our last night on shore, Drink to the  
foam.  
Until we meet once more.  
Here's wishing you a happy voyage home.

**The Wild Blue Yonder** (*Air Force*)

Off we go into the wild blue yonder  
Climbing high into the sun.  
Here they come zooming to meet our  
thunder.  
At 'em boys, Give her the gun.  
Flying men, guarding our nation's borders,  
We'll be there, ever on course.  
We live in fame, Or go down in flame.  
Nothing'll stop the U.S. Air Force.

**Semper Paratus** (*Coast Guard*)

So here's the Coast Guard Marching song.  
We sing on land or sea.  
Through surf and storm and howling gale.  
High shall our purpose be.  
Semper Paratus is our guide.  
Our fame, our glory, too.  
To fight to save or fight to die.  
Aye, Coast Guard, we are for you.

Celebrant: Governor of Nations, our Strength and Shield:  
we give you thanks for the devotion and courage  
of all those who have offered military service for this country:

For those who have fought for freedom;  
for those who laid down their lives for others;  
for those who have borne suffering of mind or of body;  
for those who have brought their best gifts to times of need.

On our behalf they have entered into danger,  
endured separation from those they love,  
labored long hours, and borne hardship in war and in peacetime.

Lift up by your mighty Presence those who are now at war;  
encourage and heal those in hospitals or mending their wounds at home;  
guard those in any need or trouble;  
hold safely in your hands all military families;  
and bring the returning troops to joyful reunion and tranquil life at home;

Give to us, your people, grateful hearts  
and a united will to honor these men and women  
and hold them always in our love and our prayers;  
until your world is perfected in peace through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

*Compiled by the Rev. Jennifer Phillips Veteran's Day Prayer*



## The Offertory

*Celebrant* Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us,  
an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

## The Offertory Hymn

God Bless America

Berlin

*Congregation joins in on chorus*

## The Doxology

“All Good Gifts”

*Refrain*

All good gifts a - round us are sent from heaven a - bove;  
then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord for all his love.

The musical score is written for two staves, Treble and Bass clef, in the key of D major (two sharps) and 4/4 time. The melody is primarily in the Treble clef, with a simple accompaniment in the Bass clef. The lyrics are placed below the notes. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

# The Holy Communion

## The Great Thanksgiving

### Eucharistic Prayer B

Book of Common Prayer, Page 367

*The people remain standing if able. The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and sings or says*

The Lord be with you.  
*People* And also with you.  
*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.  
*People* **Our hearts are with the Lord.**  
*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
*People* It is right to give him thanks and praise.

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father 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:

*Celebrant and People*

### The Sanctus

### Hymn S128

*Matbias*

Ho - ly, ho - ly,  
ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven 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.

*The people stand or kneel if able. Then the Celebrant continues*

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

*At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.*

On the night before he died for us, 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 **ALL** for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

*Celebrant and People*

We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;

*The Celebrant continues*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. 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 say,

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 period of silence is kept.*

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
 Therefore let us keep the feast. *Alleluia!*

**The Agnus Dei**

**Hymn S165**

*Matthias*

Je - sus, Lamb of God: Have mer - cy

on us. Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: Have mer - cy

on us. Je - sus, re - deem - er of the world: Give us your peace.

*Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation*

The Gifts of God for the People of God.  
 Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you,  
 and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*(The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.)*

1 Take my life, and let it be con - se - crat - ed, Lord, to thee;  
 2 Take my voice, and let me sing al - ways, on - ly, for my King;

take my mo - ments and my days, let them flow in cease - less praise.  
 take my in - tel - lect, and use ev - ery power as thou shalt choose.

Take my hands, and let them move at the im - pulse of thy love;  
 Take my will, and make it thine; it shall be no long - er mine.

take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy roy - al throne.  
 Take my - self, and I will be ev - er, on - ly, all for thee.

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

**Book of Common Prayer, Page 365**

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.*

### **The Blessing**

### **The Amen**

A - men, a - men, a - men.

The image shows a musical score for the word 'Amen'. It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The key signature has three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is written in the treble clef, starting on a G4 note, moving to F4, then E4, and finally D4. The lyrics 'A - men, a - men, a - men.' are written below the treble staff, with hyphens under the 'a' and 'men' words. The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and single notes.

*All stand if able.*

The Closing Hymn

God of Every Nation

1 O God of ev - ery na - tion, of ev - ery, race and land,  
 2 From search for wealth and pow - er and scorn of truth and right,  
 3 Lord, strength-en all who la - bor that we may find re - lease  
 4 Keep bright in us the vi - sion of days when war shall cease,

re - deem the whole cre - a - tion with your al - might - y hand;  
 from trust in bombs that show - er de - struc-tion through the night,  
 from fear of rat - tling sa - ber, from dread of war's in - crease;  
 when ha - tred and di - vi - sion give way to love and peace,

where hate and fear di - vide us and bit - ter threats are hurled,  
 from pride of race and na - tion and blind-ness to your way,  
 when hope and cour-age fal - ter, your still small voice be heard;  
 till dawns the morn-ing glo-rious when truth and jus - tice reign

in love and mer-cy guide us and heal our strife - torn world.  
 de - liv - er ev - ery na - tion, e - ter - nal God, we pray!  
 with faith that none can al - ter, your ser-vants un - der - gird.  
 and Christ shall rule vic - to - rious o'er all the world's do - main.

*The Deacon, or the Celebrant, dismisses them with these words*

*Deacon:* Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

*People:* Thanks be to God.

The Postlude

Allegretto

G.H. Richolson

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### **What is the mission of the Church?**

The mission of the Church is to restore all people to unity with God and each other in Christ.  
*Book of Common Prayer, Page 855*

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