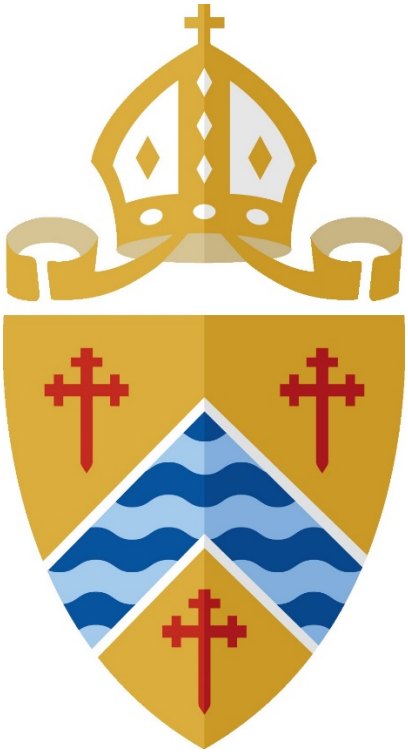
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The Opening of the Convention of the Diocese of Long Island

Gathering Hymn, Levas 120 *Sweet Sweet Spirit*



Opening Versicle and Response

Officiant: We are a holy people.

People: **We are the church of God.**

Officiant: For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function,

People: **So we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another.**

The people may be seated.

The Psalm

Psalm 139:1-16

Read together in unison.

1 Lord, you have searched me out and known me; *
you know my sitting down and my rising up;
you discern my thoughts from afar.

2 You trace my journeys and my resting-places *
and are acquainted with all my ways.
3 Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, *
but you, O Lord, know it altogether.
4 You press upon me behind and before *
and lay your hand upon me.
5 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; *
it is so high that I cannot attain to it.
6 Where can I go then from your Spirit? *
where can I flee from your presence?
7 If I climb up to heaven, you are there; *
if I make the grave my bed, you are there also.
8 If I take the wings of the morning *
and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,
9 Even there your hand will lead me *
and your right hand hold me fast.
10 If I say, "Surely the darkness will cover me, *
and the light around me turn to night,"
11 Darkness is not dark to you; the night is as bright as the day; *
darkness and light to you are both alike.
12 For you yourself created my inmost parts; *
you knit me together in my mother's womb.
13 I will thank you because I am marvelously made; *
your works are wonderful, and I know it well.
14 My body was not hidden from you, *
while I was being made in secret
and woven in the depths of the earth.
15 Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb;
all of them were written in your book; *
they were fashioned day by day, when as yet there was none of them.
16 How deep I find your thoughts, O God! *
how great is the sum of them!

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

A READING FROM HOLY SCRIPTURE Colossians 3:11-17

Brothers and sisters, there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all! As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord[f] has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ[g] dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

The People stand.

THE RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL PROMISES

Bishop: Dear friends, I call upon you to renew the solemn promises and vows of Holy Baptism, by which we once renounced Satan and all his works, and promised to serve God faithfully in his holy Catholic Church.

Do you believe in God the Father?

People: **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Bishop: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People: **I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord.**
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day He rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Bishop: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People: **I believe in the Holy Spirit,**
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.

Bishop: Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People: **I will, with God's help.**

Bishop: Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People: **I will, with God's help.**

Bishop: Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People: **I will, with God's help.**

Bishop: Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People: **I will, with God's help.**

Bishop: May Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, keep us in eternal life by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

THE PRAYERS

Officiant: Let us pray.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Officiant: As we turn to the tasks before us this day.

People: **Fill us, gracious Lord.**

Officiant: In making faithful decisions, great and small,

People: **Guide us, gracious Lord.**

Officiant: As we seek to notice and serve those in need,

People: **Teach us, gracious Lord.**

Officiant: As we offer our lives to you,

People: **Hear us, gracious Lord.**

Officiant: With hearts ready to serve

People: **Walk beside us, gracious Lord.**

Officiant: God's power, working in us, does more than we can ask or imagine.

People: **Glory to God!**

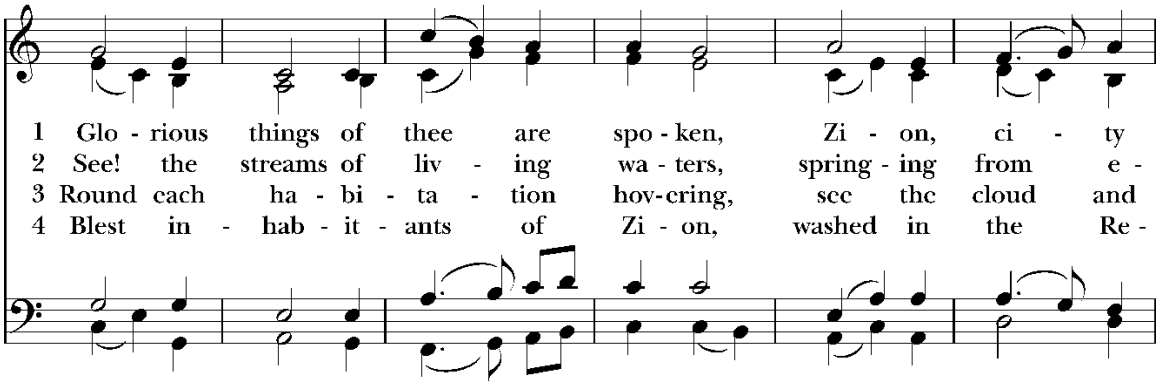
Officiant: Almighty and everlasting Father, you have given the Holy Spirit to abide with us for ever: Bless, we pray, with your grace and presence, the clergy and the laity here assembled in your Name, that your Church, being preserved in true faith and godly discipline, may fulfill all the mind of him who loved it and gave himself for it, your Son Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you, bring the nations into your fold, pour out your Spirit upon all flesh, and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

People: **O God, by your grace you have called us in the Diocese of Long Island to a holy fellowship of faith: Bless Adam, our Bishop; Geralyn, the Assistant Bishop; our clergy, and all our people. Grant that your Word may be truly preached and truly heard, your Sacraments faithfully administered and faithfully received. By your Spirit, fashion our lives according to the example of your Son, and grant that we may show the power of your love to all among whom we live; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Officiant: Let us bless the Lord,
People: **Thanks be to God.**

Closing Hymn 523 *Abbott's Leigh*





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An Evening of Prayer

Led by the Youth Delegates

GATHERING MUSIC *Hymn 686* *Come thou fount of every blessing*



Words: Robert Robinson (1735-1790), alt. Music: *Nettleton*, melody from *A Repository of Sacred Music, Part II*, 1813; harm. Gerre Hancock (b. 1934).

Welcome and Invitation to Prayer

The Reading Romans 12:4–12

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans.
For as in one body we have many members and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the encourager, in encouragement; the giver, in sincerity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.
Let love be genuine; hate what is evil; hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Do not lag in zeal; be ardent in spirit; serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope; be patient in affliction; persevere in prayer.
Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

A Time of Prayer and Reflection

During the music, all are invited to visit one of the five prayer stations located throughout the room. Each station is led by youth, clergy, and lay leaders.

Those who prefer to remain seated are welcome to spend this time in silent prayer and reflection.

At the sound of the bell, please return quietly to your seats.

A Responsive Reading from the Psalms

Lector	Let us lift our hearts in prayer.
Lector	I lift my eyes to the hills; from where does my help come?
People	My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.
Lector	The Lord is near to all who call on Him, to all who call on Him in truth.
People	God will fulfill the desire of those who fear Him; He also hears their cry and saves them.
Lector	Incline your ear, O Lord, and hear me; save your servant who trusts in you.
People	Be gracious to me, O Lord, for I call to you all day long.
Lector	O Lord, hear my prayer; listen to my cry.
People	Let my prayer rise before you like incense, and the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice.

Lector I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in His word I hope.
People My soul waits for the Lord more than those who watch for the morning.
Lector Blessed be the Lord, who hears the voice of our prayers.
People Let us pray without ceasing, for the Lord is near and faithful.

The Closing Prayer

Lector Gracious God, we thank You for this day—for the gift of life, and for the community gathered here in Your name. Open our hearts to Your Spirit. Guide our thoughts, shape our words, and strengthen our actions. Come, Holy Spirit, come. Come, Holy Spirit, come. Come, Holy Spirit, come. Be present with us, Lord, now and always, and fill us with Your power and peace. **Amen.**

A Prayer for the Journey

The Blessing

Leader: May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all, now and always.

People: **Amen.**

The Dismissal

Leader: Let us go forth in peace, to love and serve the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Closing Hymn: LEVAS 95 *O how I love Jesus*



Words: Frederick Whitfield (1829-1904). Music: American Melody.

THE CONVENTION EUCHARIST

Votive Eucharist of the Holy Spirit

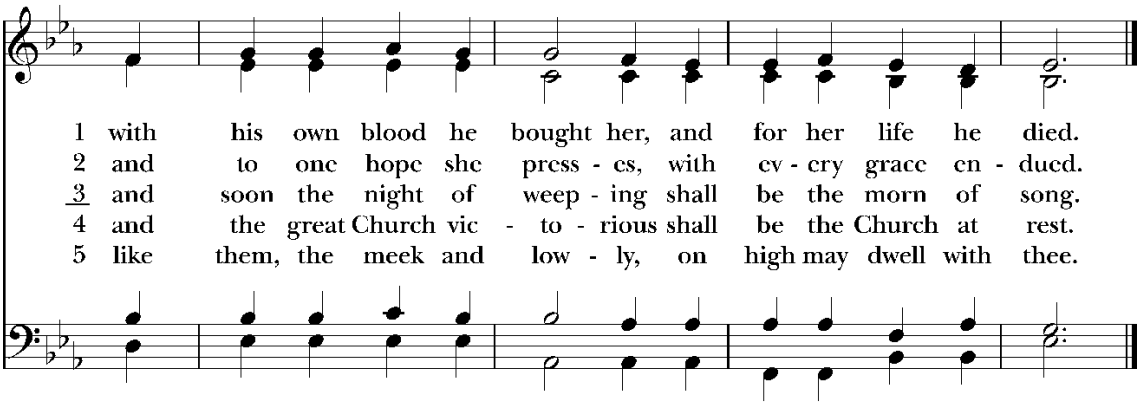
The Convention Eucharist begins at the rear of the ballroom, with the Bishop saying:

Bishop In silence, let us examine our hearts and acknowledge the presence of the living God: in the Word we will hear proclaimed, In the Sacrament we celebrate, and in this community of Christ's Body here gathered.

A time of silence is kept.

THE HYMN OF PRAISE 525 *Aurelia*





Words: Samuel John Stone (1839-1900). Music: *Aurelia*, Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1818-1876).

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

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

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

Bishop Let us pray.

People **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 OPENING COLLECT

Bishop The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Bishop Let us pray.

Almighty Father, whose blessed Son before his passion prayed for his disciples that they might be one, as you and he are one: Grant that your Church, being bound together in love and obedience to you, may be united in one body by the one Spirit, that the world may believe in him whom you have sent, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF WORD

THE FIRST LESSON *Isaiah 61:1-3*

Read in Spanish

The spirit of the Lord God is upon me
because the Lord has anointed me;
he has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed,
to bind up the brokenhearted,
to proclaim liberty to the captives
and release to the prisoners,
to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor
and the day of vengeance of our God,
to comfort all who mourn,
to provide for those who mourn in Zion—
to give them a garland instead of ashes,
the oil of gladness instead of mourning,
the mantle of praise instead of a faint spirit.
They will be called oaks of righteousness,
the planting of the Lord, to display his glory.

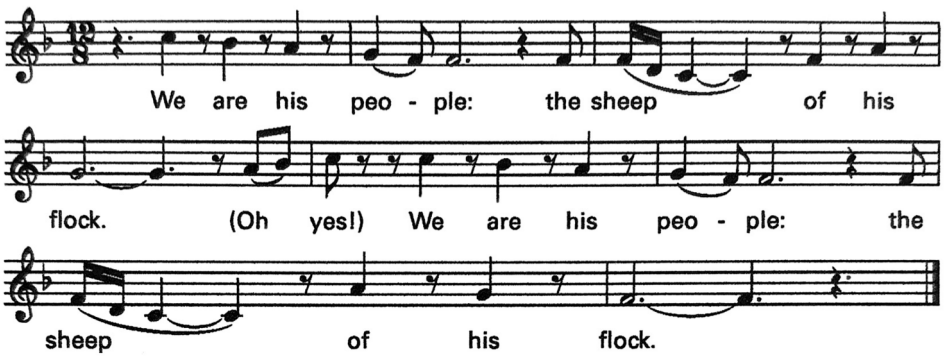
Lector The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 100 *Jubilate Deo* Rawn Harbor

The cantor sings the verses.. The congregation repeats the Antiphon:

PSALM 100: WE ARE HIS PEOPLE

Rawn Harbor



1. Sing joyfully to the LORD, all you lands;
serve the LORD with gladness;
come before him with joyful song.

2. Know that the LORD is God,
he made us, his we are;
his people, the flock he tends.

3. The LORD is good:
his kindness endures forever,
and his faithfulness, to all generations.

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THE SECOND LESSON *1 Corinthians 12:4-14*

Read in Creole

Now there are varieties of gifts but the same Spirit, and there are varieties of services but the same Lord, and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of powerful deeds, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

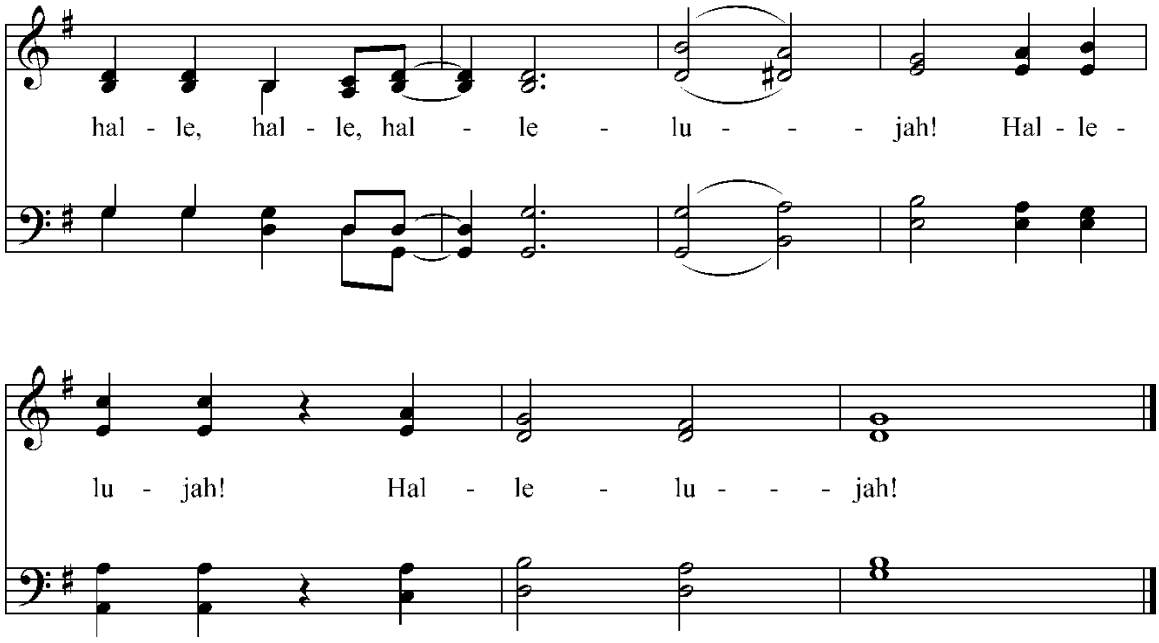
For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many.

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

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: *Halle, halle, halle* *Traditional Carribean*





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THE HOLY GOSPEL *Luke 11:9-13*

Proclaimed in Mandarin

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

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

"So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. Is there anyone among you who, if your child asked for a fish, would give a snake instead of a fish? Or if the child asked for an egg, would give a scorpion? If you, then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!" *Deacon* The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

HOMILY *The Rt. Rev. Dr. Adam Shoemaker*
Bishop of Long Island

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:
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

From a Litany for God's Mission of the Church

Intercessor	O God, we pray for the gifts of ministry. Inspire our minds with a vision of your kingdom in this time and place.
People	**Hear us, O Christ.**
Intercessor	Open our eyes, that we may see your glory in all creation.
People	**Hear us, O Christ.**
Intercessor	Open our ears, that we may hear from every mouth the hunger for hope and stories of refreshment.
People	**Hear us, O Christ.**
Intercessor	Open our lips, that we may tell in every tongue the wonderful works of God.
People	**Hear us, O Christ.**
Intercessor	Open our hearts, that we may discern the work to which you call us.
People	**Hear us, O Christ.**

Intercessor Send us with your Good News into our neighborhoods, communities, and all parts of the world.

People **Hear us, O Christ.**

Intercessor Strengthen us, that we may each accomplish the work you give us to do.

People **Hear us, O Christ.**

Intercessor Sustain and encourage all who minister in your name in lonely, dangerous, and unresponsive places.

People **Hear us, O Christ.**

Intercessor Open the hearts and hands of many to support your Church in this and every place.

People **Hear us, O Christ.**

Intercessor Accept into your loving arms those who have died, and comfort those who mourn.

People **Hear us, O Christ.**

Bishop O God of unchangeable power and eternal light: Look favorably on your whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery; by the effectual working of your providence, carry out in tranquility the plan of salvation; let the whole world see and know that things which were cast down are being raised up, and things which had grown old are being made new, and that all things are being brought to their perfection by him through whom all things were made, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Bishop The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY

Bishop Let your light so shine before all people, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.

Please place your offering in the small metal pail on your table, and the vergers and ushers will come around to collect them.

ANTHEM: *Koinonia* *by V. Michael Kay*

How can I say that I love the Lord
who I've never ever seen before
And forget to say that I love the one
who I walk beside each and every day
How can I look upon your face
and ignore God's love, you I must embrace
You're my brother, you're my sister
and I love you with the love of the Lord.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Bishop The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Bishop Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them to the Lord.**
Bishop Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Bishop 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 by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world.

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:



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Bishop Holy and gracious Father: 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 Father 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:

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

Bishop We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, 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.***

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Bishop: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
ALL:
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.

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

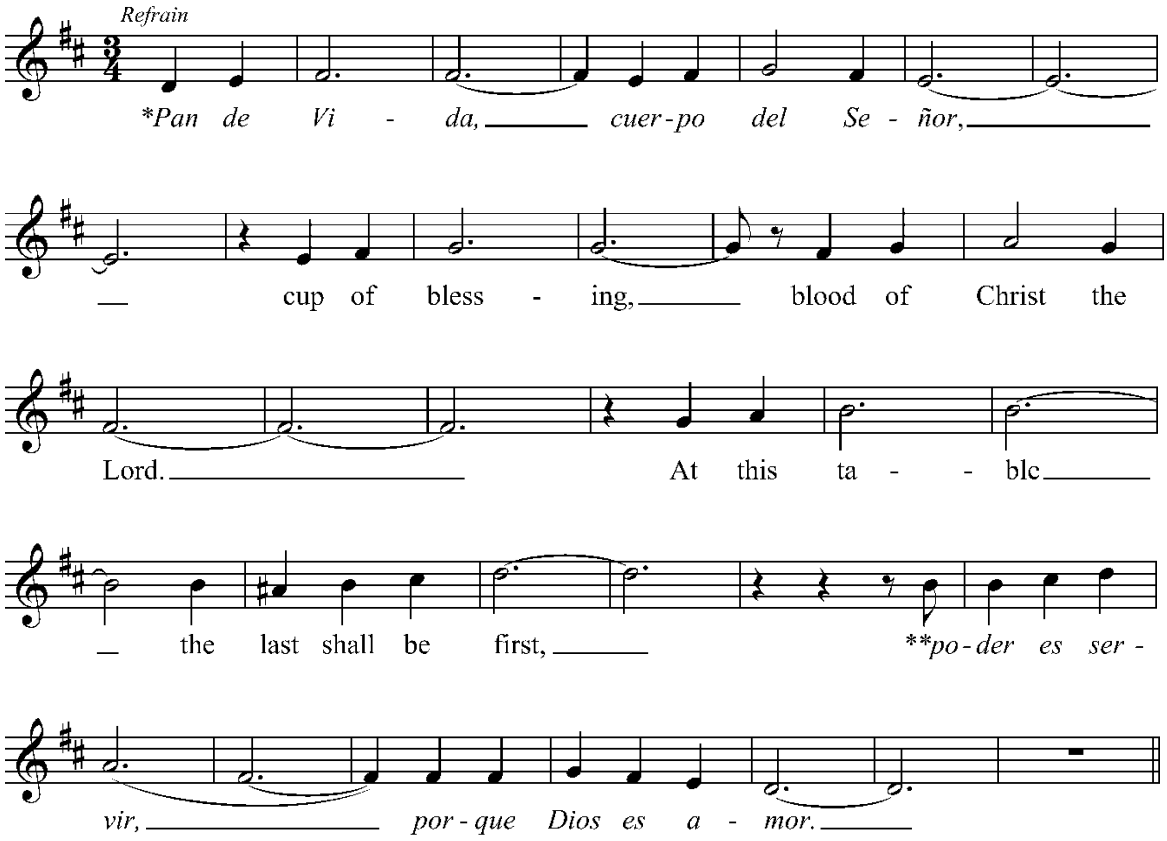
Bishop The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

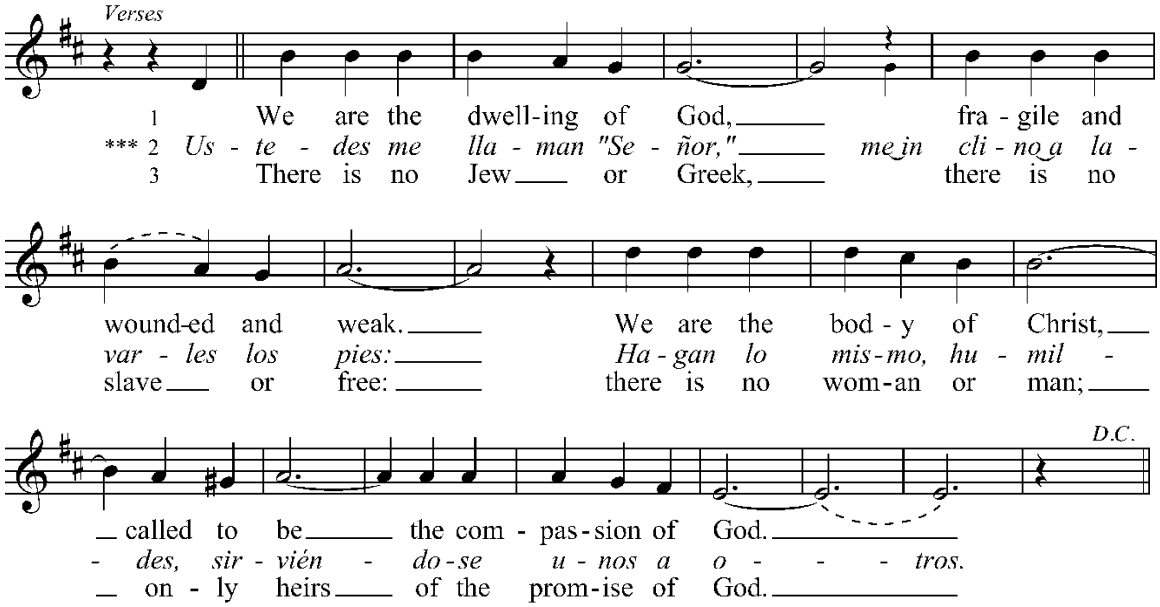
At communion, please follow the direction of the Vergers and Ushers.

There will be five Communion stations – Three in the front of the Ballroom and two in the rear of the Ballroom. Each station will have one bread and two chalices. The front center station will have gluten-free communion available.

HYMNS DURING THE DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

Pan de Vida





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LEVAS 151 ***One Bread, One Body***




bless - ing which we bless. And we, though
man - y, through - out the earth, We are one
Last time
bod - y in this one Lord.
Last time
1. Gen - tile or Jew, ser - vant or
2. Man - y the gifts, man - y the
3. Grain for the fields, scat - tered and



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Guide my feet



Music: African-American spiritual, arr. Carl Harris, Jr. (b. 1935).

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Bishop Let us Pray.

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

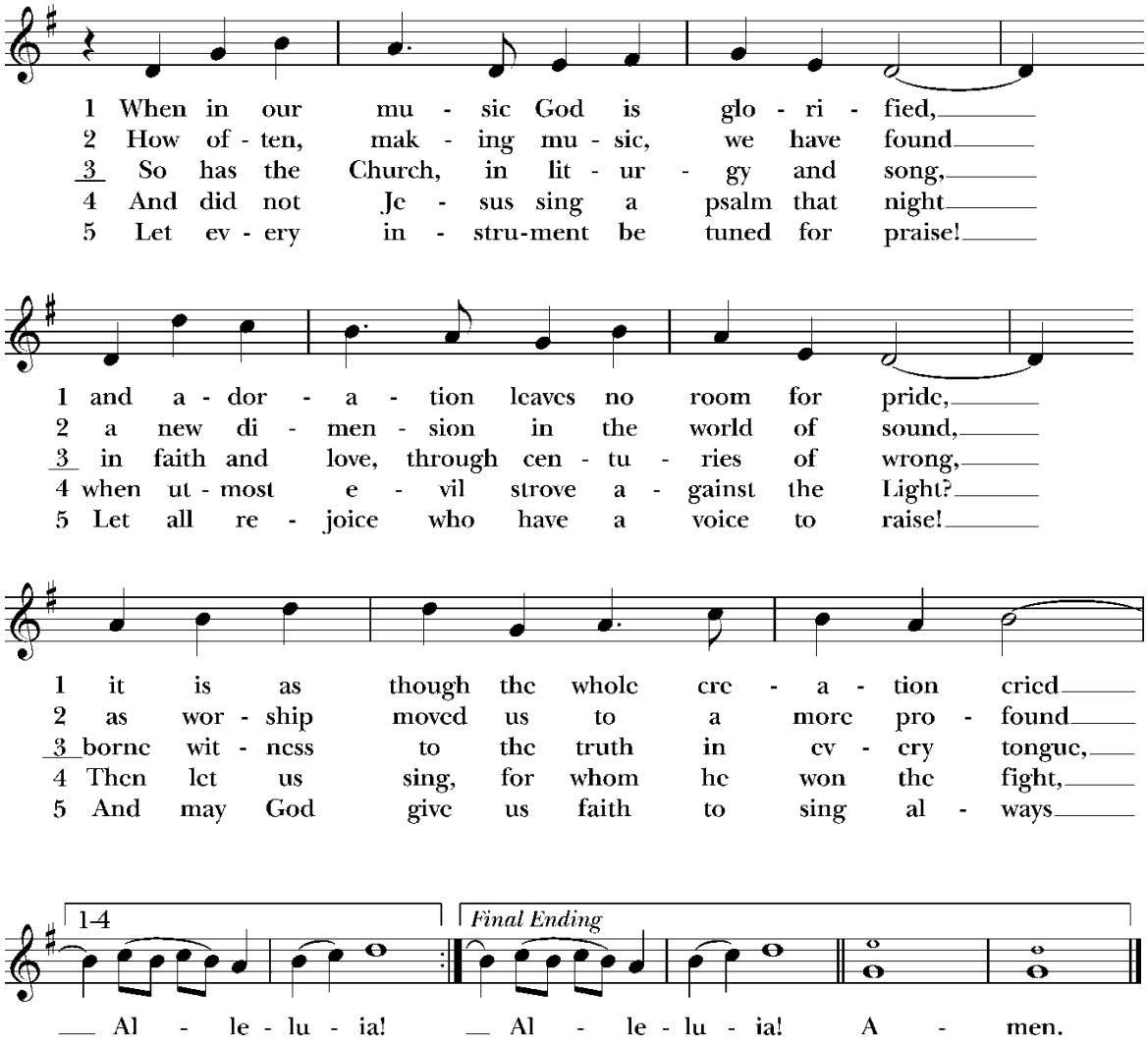
THE BLESSING

Bishop Our help is in the Name of the Lord,
People **The maker of heaven and earth.**
Bishop Blessed be the Name of the Lord,
People **From this time forth for evermore.**
Bishop The blessing, mercy and grace of God Almighty: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you, and remain with you for ever.
People **Amen.**

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

THE FINAL HYMN 420 *Engelberg*



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

Officiant & People

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

HYMN LEVAS 173 *I want to live for thee*



Words: F. L. Eiland. Music: Emmet S. Dean.

PSALM 119: NUN

105 Your word is a lantern to my feet *
and a light upon my path.
106 I have sworn and am determined *
to keep your righteous judgments.
107 I am deeply troubled; *
preserve my life, O LORD, according to your word.
108 Accept, O LORD, the willing tribute of my lips, *
and teach me your judgments.
109 My life is always in my hand, *
yet I do not forget your law.
110 The wicked have set a trap for me, *
but I have not strayed from your commandments.
111 Your decrees are my inheritance for ever; *
truly, they are the joy of my heart.
112 I have applied my heart to fulfill your statutes *
for ever and to the end.

Officiant The love of God has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Officiant then begins the Prayers

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

Officiant and People

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.

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

Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles, "Peace I give to you; my peace I leave with you:" Regard not our sins, but the faith of your Church, and give to us the peace and unity of that heavenly city, where with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Bishop With gratitude to God for all that we are and for all that we have, we present these offerings to God through the United Thank Offering.

Representatives from the parishes of the diocese now come forward to present their UTO offerings.

THE OFFERTORY HYMN LEVAS 232 *Thank You, Lord*



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Officiant Let us pray.

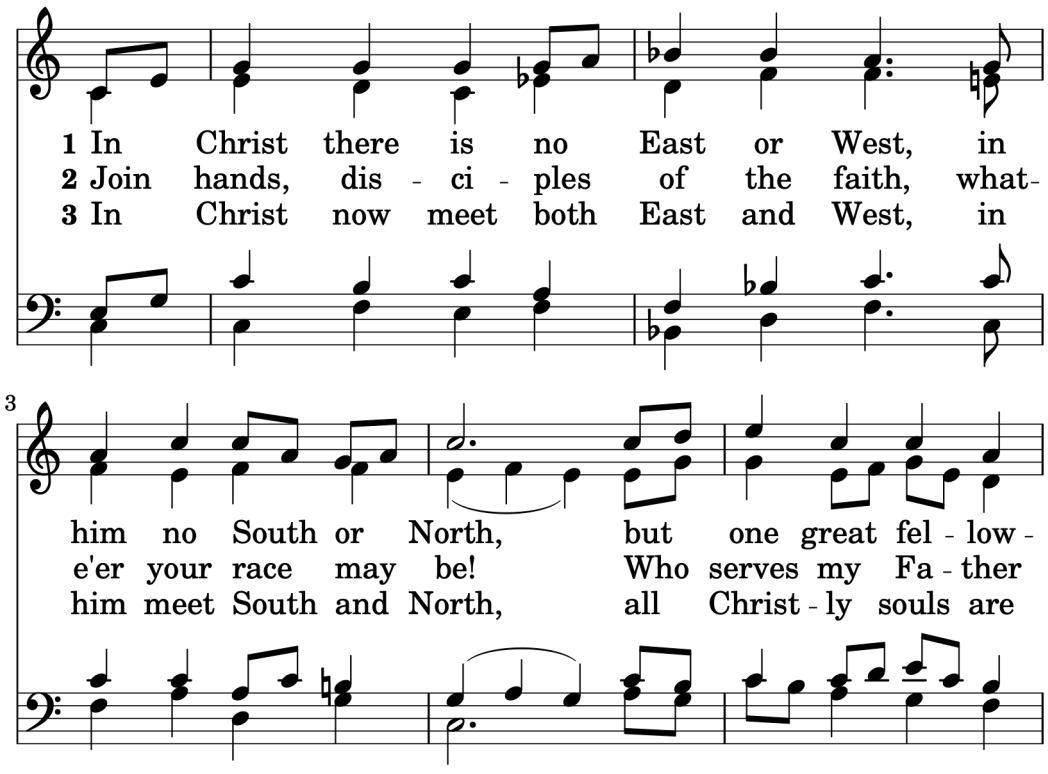
People **Source of all creation, all love, all true joy, accept we pray, these outward signs of our profound and continuing thankfulness for all of life. Bless those who will benefit from these gifts through the outreach of the United Thank Offering; and keep each of us ever thankful for all the blessings of joy and challenges that come our way; through Him who is the greatest gift and blessing of all, Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior. Amen.**

Bishop Go forth into the world in peace; be of good courage; hold fast to that which is good; render no one evil for evil; strengthen the fainthearted, support the weak, help the afflicted, honor all persons. Love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit; and the blessing of God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit be among you and remain with you always. Amen.

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE SENDING HYMN 529 *McKee*





Hymnal 1982 529
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