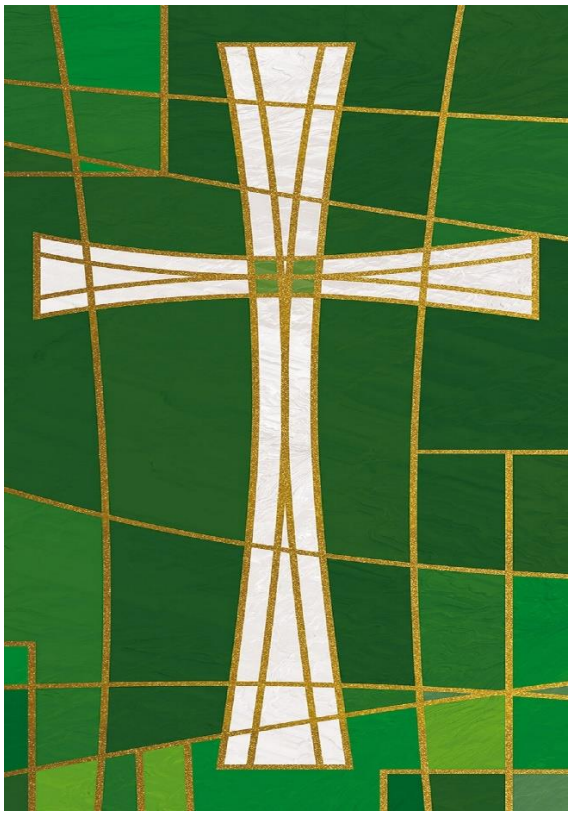
St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

18th Sunday after Pentecost

September 27, 2026 10:00am

Holy Eucharist – Rite II



Lord God, you alone are the source of every good gift.
Fill our hearts with faithfulness that when we are called to serve, we may answer,
"Here I am Lord," with a spirit of discipleship. We pledge ourselves to be good and faithful
stewards of the gifts you have entrusted to us, to share our time, talent and our material gifts
as an outward sign of the treasure we hold in Jesus.
Amen.

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This service is video-recorded and streamed to the church's public Facebook page.

Prelude

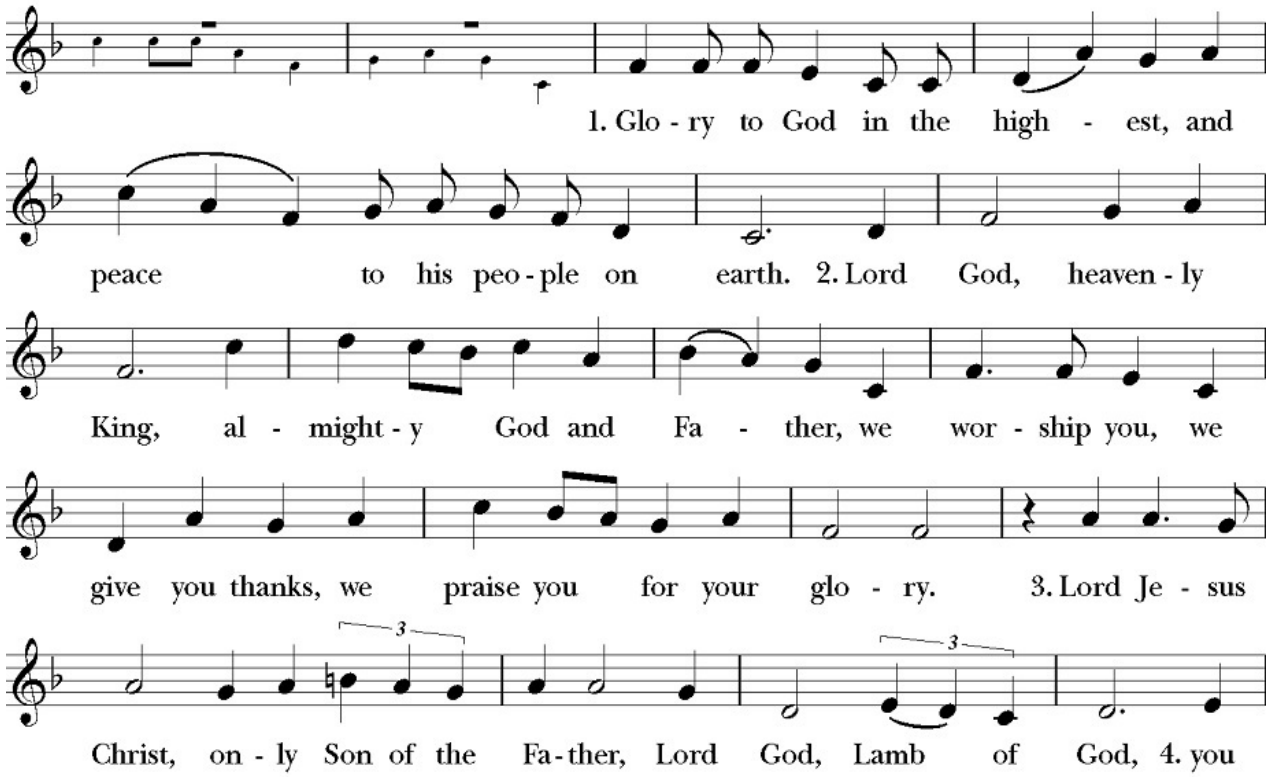
Processional Hymn #450 – *All hail the power of Jesus' Name!*

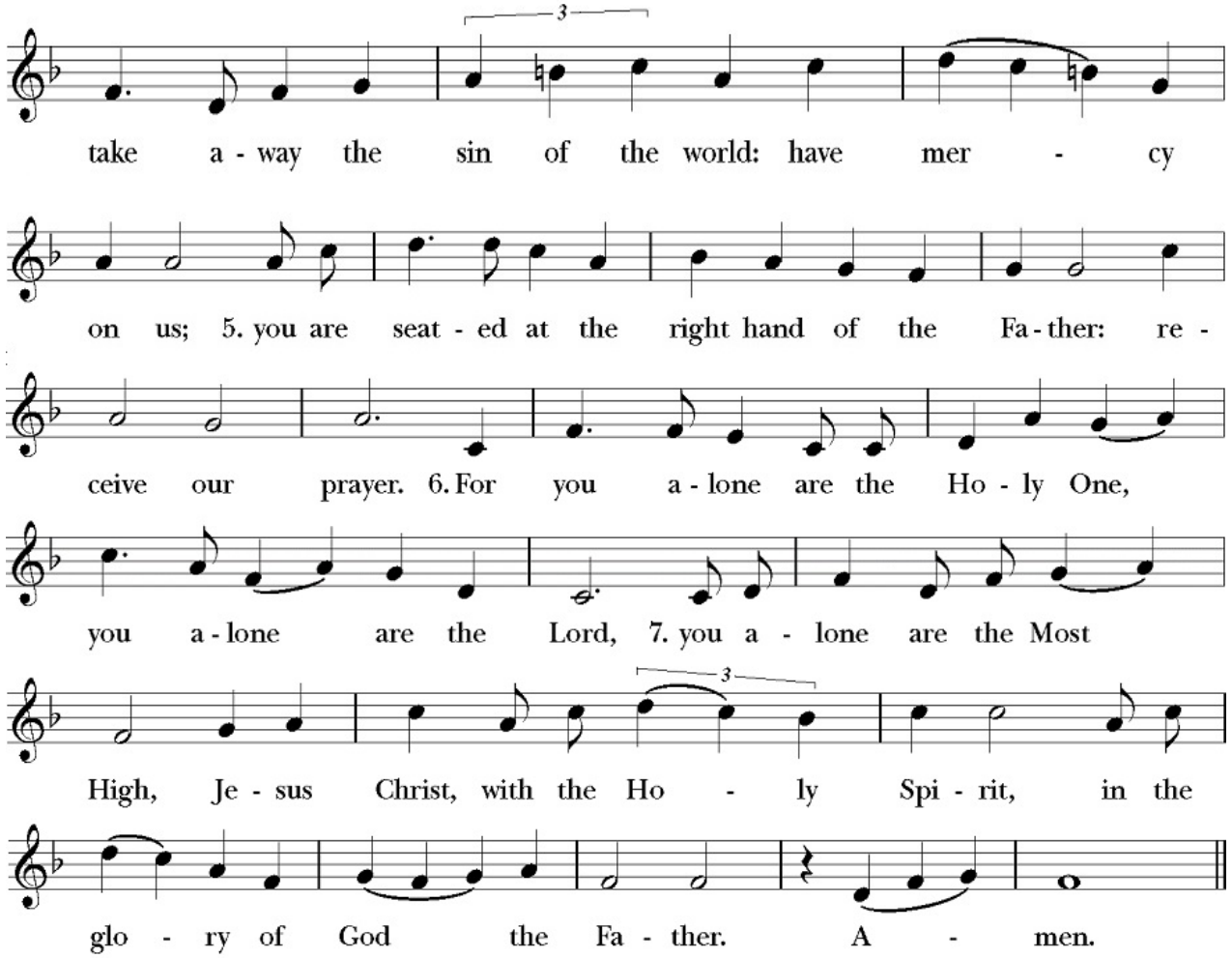
The people standing, the Celebrant says **BCP 355**

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.*

Hymn S280 – *Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God)*





The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Let us pray.

The Celebrant says the Collect.

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The people sit for **The Lessons**

Ezekiel 18:1-4,25-32

The word of the Lord came to me: What do you mean by repeating this proverb concerning the land of Israel, "The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge"? As I live, says the Lord God, this proverb shall no more be used by you in Israel. Know that all lives are mine; the life of the parent as well as the life of the child is mine: it is only the person who sins that shall die.

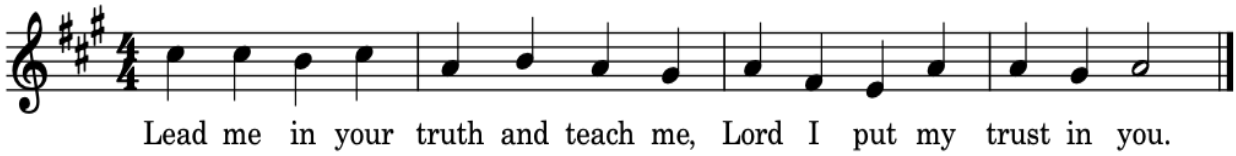
Yet you say, "The way of the Lord is unfair." Hear now, O house of Israel: Is my way unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair? When the righteous turn away from their righteousness and commit iniquity, they shall die for it; for the iniquity that they have committed they shall die. Again, when the wicked turn away from the wickedness they have committed and do what is lawful and right, they shall save their life. Because they considered and turned away from all the transgressions that they had committed, they shall surely live; they shall not die. Yet the house of Israel says, "The way of the Lord is unfair." O house of Israel, are my ways unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair?

Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, all of you according to your ways, says the Lord God. Repent and turn from all your transgressions; otherwise iniquity will be your ruin. Cast away from you all the transgressions that you have committed against me, and get yourselves a new heart and a new spirit! Why will you die, O house of Israel? For I have no pleasure in the death of anyone, says the Lord God. Turn, then, and live.

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

Psalm 25:1-8 ★ *The choir will chant the psalm.*

Please join in singing the ***Response*** *where it is indicated.*



Response

1 To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul; my God, I put my trust in you; *
let me not be humiliated, nor let my enemies triumph over me.

2 Let none who look to you be put to shame; *
let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.

3 Show me your ways, O Lord, *
and teach me your paths.

4 Lead me in your truth and teach me, *
for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.

Response

5 Remember, O Lord, your compassion and love, *
for they are from everlasting.

6 Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; *
remember me according to your love
and for the sake of your goodness, O Lord.

7 Gracious and upright is the Lord; *
therefore he teaches sinners in his way.

8 He guides the humble in doing right *
and teaches his way to the lowly.

Response

The Epistle – Philippians 2:1-13

If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,

who, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited,

but emptied himself,
taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness.

And being found in human form,
he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death--
even death on a cross.

Therefore God also highly exalted him
and gave him the name that is above every name,
so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence, but much more now in my absence, work out your own salvation

with fear and trembling; for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

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

Sequence Hymn #601 – *O day of God, draw nigh*

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

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew
People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Matthew 21:23-32

When Jesus entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, "By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?" Jesus said to them, "I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?" And they argued with one another, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will say to us, 'Why then did you not believe him?' But if we say, 'Of human origin,' we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet." So they answered Jesus, "We do not know." And he said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.

"What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, 'Son, go and work in the vineyard today.' He answered, 'I will not'; but later he changed his mind and went. The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, 'I go, sir'; but he did not go. Which of the two did the will of his father?"

They said, “The first.” Jesus said to them, “Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him.”

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

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed **BCP 358**

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 *Hear Our Prayer: Prayers of the People for the Revised Common Lectionary*

Leader Almighty God, hear the prayers of your people and come swiftly to aid us as we say, "Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer."

Grant you church wisdom to bring about the beloved community through our commitment to individual and communal transformation and redemption.
Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer**.

Grant our nation strength and forbearance to peacefully resolve our differences and to live in amity with our neighbors.
Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer**.

Grant abiding faith and discerning hearts to all of us gathered to hear these words; that we might live into your will and be your people.
Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer**.

Give us clarity, that we might perceive and comprehend the gravity of the global issues which we face, and strengthen us with a determination to work together to implement sustainable and equitable solutions.
Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer**.

Lift the burdens of those who are ill, those who face overwhelming challenges, and those who are fearful. Bring them healing and peace. We pray especially for all those on our prayer lists.
Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer**.

Grant peace and a welcome into your eternal grace to those who have died; and bring us to that place where with them we may all live again in your glorious kingdom.
Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer**.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

God of power and might, your eternal essence is love. Guide us as we seek to live fully into that love, and grant us an answer to our prayers that fulfills our deepest

longings and reflects your glory into the darkness of our lives and the world. All this we ask through your Son, our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme, One God, indivisible, forever and ever. **Amen**.

Confession of Sin BCP 360

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Bishop when present, or the Priest, stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

The Peace

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

Announcements

The Offertory

*The People **stand** while the offerings of bread and wine are presented.*

Loose plate cash offerings go to the Rector's Discretionary Fund unless otherwise announced.

Music at the Offering: *Seek Ye First* – Karen Lafferty

*The People **stand** while the offering is brought forward.*

Doxology (Hymn #380 vs 3)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host:
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Blessing of the Offering

Celebrant All things come of thee, O Lord.
People And of thine own have we given thee.

The Great Thanksgiving – *Eucharistic Prayer A* BCP 361

All standing, the Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces the people and says

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

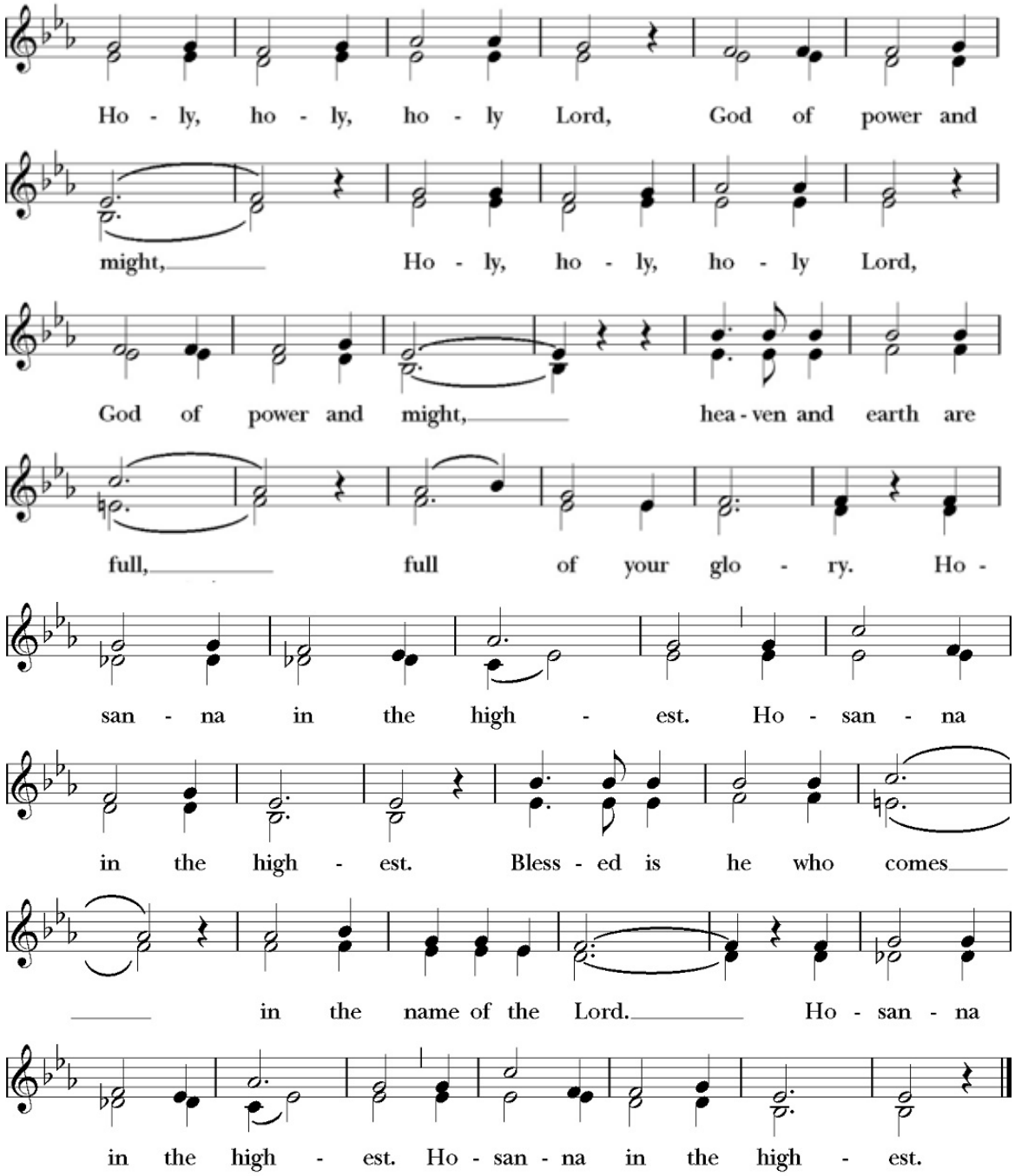
Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Here a Proper Preface is said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.

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:

Hymn S130 – *Sanctus (Holy, holy, holy Lord)*



The people remain standing or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues

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:

Celebrant and People

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

The Celebrant continues

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.*

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

People and Celebrant

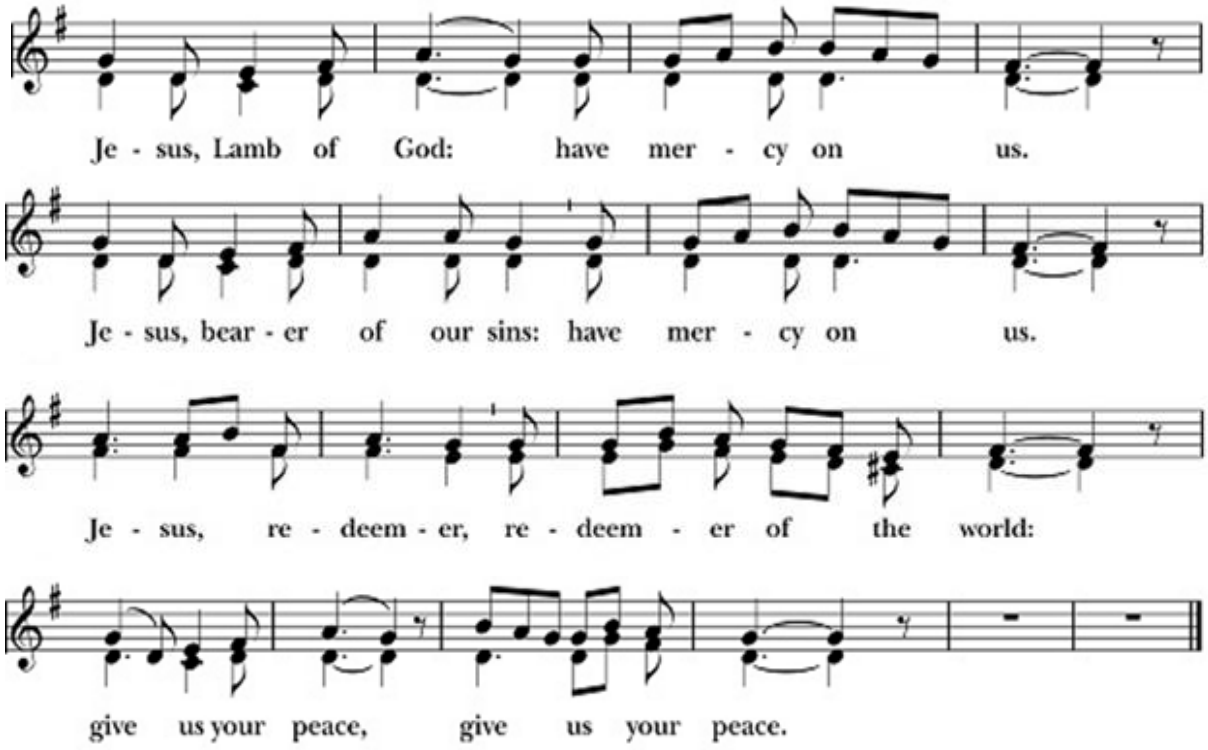
Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,

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

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Hymn S164 – Fraction Anthem: *Agnus Dei*



Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

and may add Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Communion. If you are not baptized, you may come forward to receive a blessing by folding your arms over your chest. Gluten free hosts are available upon request. If you are interested in being baptized, please speak to Mtr. Susan after the service.

Communion Hymn #339 – *Deck thyself, my soul, with gladness*

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Post-Communion Prayer BCP 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.

Blessing

Recessional Hymn #344 – *Lord, dismiss us with thy blessing*

Dismissal

Postlude

Prayers for our members and their families:

Domenic Macaluso
Jenny Shand
Marilyn Manatt
Beth Bierwirth
Nick Nickerson
Krista Green
Karen Fuss
Shelly Currier
Elizabeth Klijnsmit
Betty Cosio-Avalos
Sharon Collins
Jeff Robb
Blake family
Kap Kelley
Kathleen Pittman
Teresa Patton
Dom Perri
Jim & Vickie Perri
Carlton & Pat
Melody Henson
Cody McQuary
Lisa Reinecke
Arianna Sanchez
Amy Ahlen-DePauw
Kay Threlkeld
David Baker
Fr. Maurice
Fred Telling
Charles & Suzanne
Kevin Taylor
Jon Ahlen
Ronnie Whitaker
Bill Murphy
Bill Mayne
John Fuss
Melody Johnson
Eric & Gaylie
Jim Teel
John LeBarre
Mike Leshnov
David Knadle
Alice B. Smith
Sevie Bates
Andrew W.
Cory Woodbury
Lew Hightower
Pat Wiberg
Jeannine Byron

Prayers for our military service members & their families:

The Chavez family, Amailani Gilson, Jose Chavez, Jesus J. Chavez
Joshua Currier ★ Connor Gray ★ Samantha Jimenez ★ Cole Twombly

Prayers for friends of St. Andrew's:

Vanessa
Valarie
Donna Eastes
Johnny Williams
Teresa Land
Tiffany Stafford
Judy, Jeannie, Janet & family
Dorothy Perez
Harold Chavez family
Debra
NMMI cadets
Dale Plummer
Leo
Perry & Arthana Hampel
Cindy Ramos
Deborah Howden
Patrick Esping
Denise T.
Timothy & Dawn
Lester Niblock
Dale Green
Daniel Melendez
Teresa Romero
Amy Wineland
Annette Parsons
Julie Cox & family
Dale Williams
Patsy Denton
Michael Hanagan
Paul Slayton
Patty Swenson
Mary Russell
Fred French
Kayla & Rosie
Yolie Chavez
Bob Tucker

The flowers this morning are given by Rich Altans & Eileen Grooms in memory of Anna & Fred Homscheck

Celebrant:	The Rev. Dr. Susan Pigott
Affiliate Priest:	The Rev. Dr. Maurice Geldert
Deacon:	The Rev. Nancy Gregory
Organist/Pianist:	Karen Fuss
Choir Director:	Dr. Scott Tripp
Reader:	Bryan Evans
Eucharistic Minister:	Shelly Currier
Ushers:	Rich Altans, Eileen Grooms
Altar Guild:	Lorinda Wilkins, Karen Fuss, Joanne Keas