



The Cathedral of the Episcopal Diocese of Missouri

**Proper 22, Year C**  
**Season of Creation**

October 5, 2025, 10:30 a.m.  
*Be Here, Be You, Be Loved*



**Welcome to Christ Church Cathedral!**

The People's responses are in **bold print**.

We have **large print bulletins** and **hearing devices** available. If you need one, ask an usher.

**Welcome! Beinvenido! Karibu!**

Scattered in the world, we gather together as God's people in worship. We bring the fragments of our lives to be healed and made whole in Christ as we gather in community. Worship lies at the heart of the Christian life. It is in worship that we express our theology and define our identity. It is through encountering God within worship that we are formed and transformed as God's people. One of the glories of the Episcopal/Anglican Church is its liturgical worship. Liturgy refers to the patterns, forms, words and actions through which public worship is conducted. As we gather, we bring our diverse gifts: gifts of music, dance, prophecy, teaching, preaching, and friendship. We present these gifts in the form of our most precious offering to God, our very selves, that all that we do may be for God's glory in the unity of Christ's church.

**About the Holy Eucharist**

In the Episcopal Church the Holy Eucharist is the sacrament of Christ's body and blood, and the principal act of Christian worship. The term is from the Greek, "thanksgiving." Jesus instituted the Eucharist "on the night when he was betrayed." At the Last Supper he shared the Bread and cup of Wine at a sacred meal with his disciples. He identified the Bread with his body and the Wine with his blood of the new covenant. Jesus commanded his disciples to "do this" in remembrance of Jesus. For Episcopalians, the Holy Eucharist becomes the very Real Presence of Christ, his Body and Blood, the ordinary made also extraordinary, sacred by Jesus' own words and by the Holy Spirit.

In the Episcopal Church, we seek to adapt ancient liturgy for today. If you grew up in a less formal church, worship may feel pretty traditional. If you grew up in a formal church, our worship may deconstruct that formality, and ask you to pray using more modern words, or sing new songs. We seek to balance tradition and culture in our worship. When we hold the tension well between the ancient and the modern, the Holy Eucharist comes alive.

**Season of Creation**

Special worship elements in this service are from the booklet *Season of Creation: A Celebration Guide for Episcopal Parishes*, Perennial Edition 2025. During the season, we join with Christians around the world to celebrate in prayer and action our Gospel calling to protect the Earth that God entrusted to our care. Many diocesan bishops, including our Bishop Johnson, have authorized it for use during the season with these hopes: "May these prayers and readings deepen our response to the living God and strengthen our resolve to follow Jesus in this critical time for all of Creation."

**Land Acknowledgment for the Diocese of Missouri (updated 7/2022)**

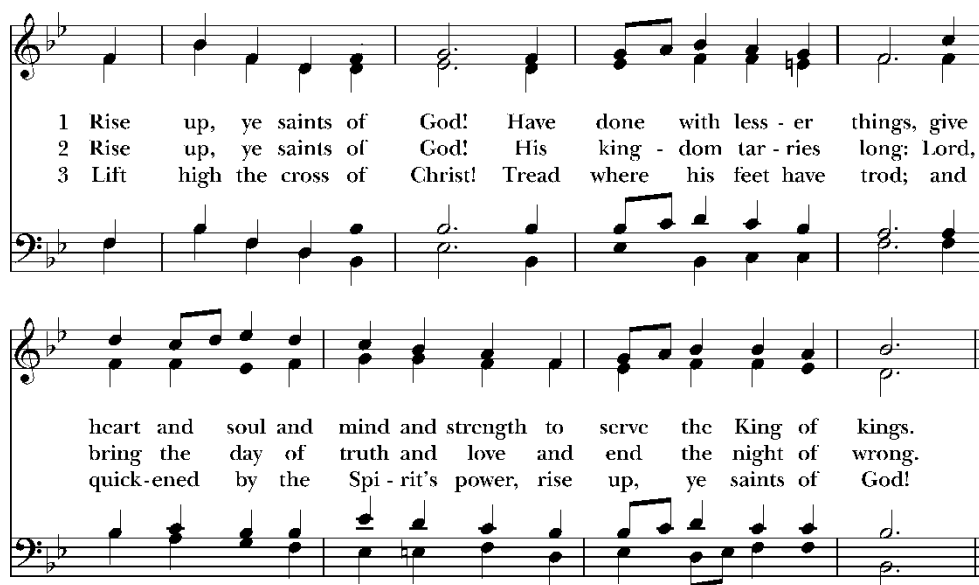
In humility, we recognize and acknowledge that we in the Diocese of Missouri worship and live on the traditional ancestral lands of the Osage Nation, the Illiniwek/Peoria Tribe, the O-Gah-Pah (Quapaw) Tribe, the Otoe-Missouria Tribe, and other First Peoples. We recognize our mutual dependence upon and benefit from this land; we proclaim our solidarity with and our debt to the Peoples who first claimed and improved this land as their home. We acknowledge our complicity in the process of colonization that dispossessed the First Peoples from their ancestral lands. We affirm our commitment to stand with indigenous communities today and henceforth as they seek justice and resist continued threats to their sovereignty and humanity.

We are also cognizant that the history of The Episcopal Church is intertwined with the history of colonialism and slavery in the United States. More than four centuries ago, the first enslaved Africans were brought to the Americas, and two centuries ago enslaved and indigenous persons contributed to the exploration of this state by Lewis and Clark. Our state's history is entangled with both the Missouri Compromise making this state officially a slave state, and the case of *Scott v. Emerson* that petitioned for Dred and Harriet Scott's emancipation. We acknowledge the tragic legacy of slavery in our diocese, and the blood, sweat, and tears of enslaved people that soak the earth beneath our feet in Missouri. This legacy persists today as we continue to work towards racial justice, equity, liberation, and community, here in Missouri and across The Episcopal Church.

**We Welcome with grateful hearts The Rev. Canon Tamsen Whistler, newly retired, as our Presider this morning.**

**PRELUDE** *Elegy*, by John Ireland

arr. for organ by Alec Rowley



1 Rise up, ye saints of God! Have done with less - er things, give  
 2 Rise up, ye saints of God! His king - dom tar - ries long: Lord,  
 3 Lift high the cross of Christ! Tread where his feet have trod; and  
 heart and soul and mind and strength to serve the King of kings.  
 bring the day of truth and love and end the night of wrong.  
 quick - ened by the Spi - rit's power, rise up, ye saints of God!

**WELCOME!****THE GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE**

*Presider* Let us gather ourselves into Christ's presence with a moment of silence.

*Moment of silence to open our hearts.*

**GREETING**

*Presider* Blessed be the One who creates all things.

*People* **The Holy One's love is new every morning.**

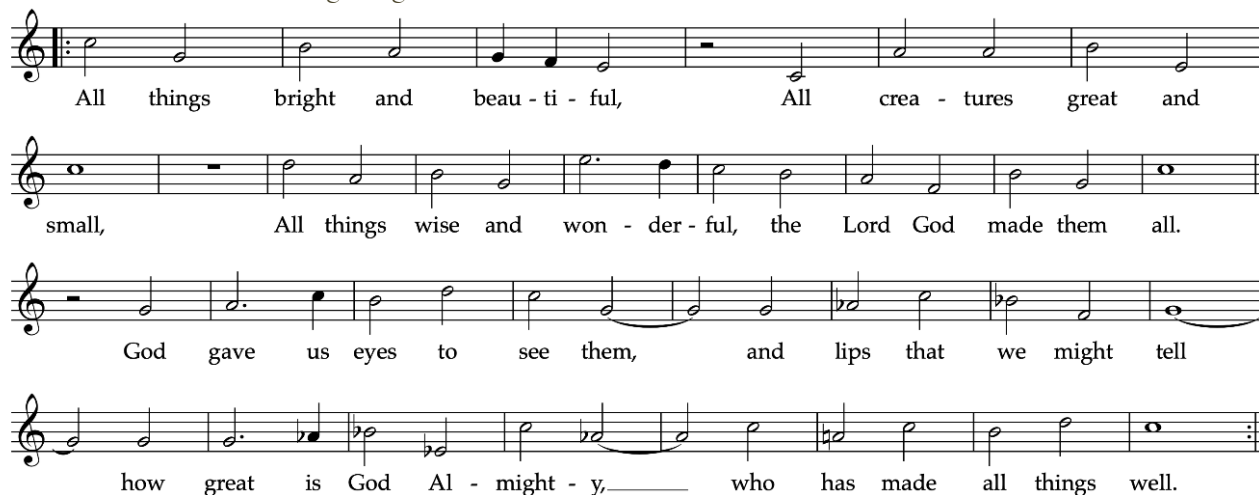
**THE COLLECT FOR PURITY**

*Presider* Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid:

*People* **Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, so that we may truly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.**

**THE SONG OF PRAISE** All Things Bright and Beautiful

PARTRIDGE



All things bright and beau - ti - ful, All crea - tures great and  
 small, All things wise and won - der - ful, the Lord God made them all.  
 God gave us eyes to see them, and lips that we might tell  
 how great is God Al - might - y, who has made all things well.

**THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

*Presider* The Creator be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Presider* Let us pray. God, you weep with those who are oppressed, with those who are uprooted from their homeland and with those who are without shelter or security. Grant that your faithful love may reach out through us, so that your

healing mercy may rise like the dawn. We ask this through Jesus Christ, your Son. **Amen.** *Revised Common Lectionary Prayer (2002) alt; from Alternative Collects for Years A, B & C of the Revised Common Lectionary 2022, Anglican Church of Canada*

## WE HEAR THE SACRED STORIES

**THE FIRST READING** *Please be seated.*

**Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4**

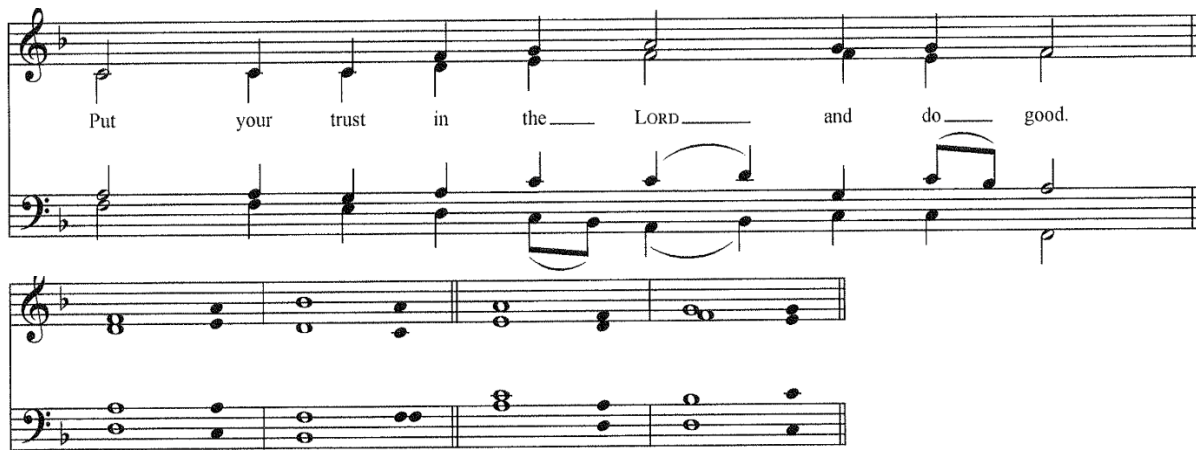
The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw. O Lord, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not listen? Or cry to you “Violence!” and you will not save? Why do you make me see wrongdoing and look at trouble? Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise. So the law becomes slack and justice never prevails. The wicked surround the righteous—therefore judgment comes forth perverted. I will stand at my watchpost, and station myself on the rampart; I will keep watch to see what he will say to me, and what he will answer concerning my complaint. Then the Lord answered me and said: Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so that a runner may read it. For there is still a vision for the appointed time; it speaks of the end, and does not lie. If it seems to tarry, wait for it; it will surely come, it will not delay. Look at the proud! Their spirit is not right in them, but the righteous live by their faith.

*Reader* Hear what the Holy Spirit is saying to God’s People.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

**THE PSALM OF THE DAY 37:1-10** *(General Synod 2016 Liturgical Psalter, Anglican Church of Canada, pointed by Connor Scott)*

**Antiphon – First sung by the choir, then again with the congregation**



- All*
- 1 Do not fret yourself because of | evildoers; \*  
do not be jealous of those who do | wrong.
  - 2 For they shall soon wither like the | grass, \*  
and like the green grass fade a- | way.
  - 3 Put your trust in the Lord and do | good; \*  
dwell in the land and feed on its | riches.
  - 4 Take delight in the | Lord, \*  
who shall give you your heart's de- | sire.
  - 5 Commit your way to the Lord and put your trust in the | Holy One \*  
who will bring it to | pass.
  - 6 God will make your righteousness as clear as the | light \*  
and your just dealing as the | noonday.
  - 7 Be still before the Lord and wait patiently for | God. \*  
Do not fret yourself over the one who prospers, the one who succeeds in evil | schemes.
  - 8 Refrain from anger, leave rage alone; \*  
do not fret yourself; it leads only to evil.
  - 9 For evildoers shall be | cut off, \*  
but those who wait upon the Lord shall possess the | land.

**Antiphon – Sung twice**

## THE SECOND READING

## 2 Timothy 1:1-14

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus, To Timothy, my beloved child: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord. I am grateful to God—whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did—when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline. Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

*Reader* Hear what the Holy Spirit is saying to the Church.

**SEQUENCE** Gradual Alleluia: My Flesh is Food Indeed

Ray W. Urwin, *paraphrased by C. Scott, ed.*

*Sung three times*



## THE GOSPEL

## Luke 17:5-10

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

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

The apostles said to the Lord, “Increase our faith!” The Lord replied, “If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, ‘Be uprooted and planted in the sea,’ and it would obey you. Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, ‘Come here at once and take your place at the table’? Would you not rather say to him, ‘Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink’? Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, ‘We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!’”

*Deacon* The Gospel of our Savior.

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

*Please be seated.*

## THE SERMON

**The Rev. Deacon Justin Martin**

*Moment for silent reflection*

**THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: THE NICENE CREED** (*Expansive Liturgies, ECUSA*) *Please stand as you are able.*

*All* **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.**

### **THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

*Deacon* Let us name before God those for whom we offer our prayers.

*The people audibly or silently name those for whom they are interceding.*

*Leader* Eternal God: We thank you for the beauty of the World: for the teeming life of the seas, the flight of birds, and the diversity of animal life. Grant us grace to treat Creation with respect and care; to protect endangered species, to preserve the variety of habitats, and to honor the delicate balance of nature. God of life:

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Leader* We thank you for the wealth of blessings from land and sea; for the power of wind, and the warmth of sun. We pray for the nations of the earth, give us the will to cherish this planet and to use its resources sustainably for the welfare of all. God of justice;

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Leader* We pray for the faithful witness of the Church, called to reconcile and heal: for wisdom for those called to lead us, including Sean, Presiding Bishop; Deon, our bishop, Kathie, our dean; and the staff and Chapter of our Cathedral. In our Diocese of Missouri, we pray for the people and ministry of The Episcopal Church of St. Michael & St. George in Clayton, and Andrew, their Rector; Peter & Tom, their Assistant Rectors, and Stewart & Anne, their Priest Associates. In our companion Diocese of Puerto Rico, we pray for Happy Kitchen. In the Anglican Communion, we pray for the people and ministry of The Anglican Church of Tanzania. God of grace;

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Leader* We pray for the human family. We exult in our diversity and giftedness, we repent of our sins, divisions and violence. By the power of your Spirit, restore your image within us. As every human being is known and loved by you, may we care for one another with love and respect. We pray for those you have commended to our care, including Israel, Palestine, Iran and the Middle East, Ukraine, Russia, Haiti, Sudan, and Libya; the Evans family, John, Basil, Mary, Kingsley & Ramona, Kathy, Mathew, Tom & Dennis, Michelle, Warren, Richard, Deacon Barbi, Deb; all in prison and their families; and those affected by violence and oppression in all forms. God of compassion:

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Leader* We pray for those who have died, including all slain in Sudan, the Middle East, and Ukraine, Lee Evans, those 106 lives taken by gun violence in the city of St. Louis in 2025 represented in the light of the small candles on the high altar; and all who die at the hand of another, or by their own hand, and all whom we entrust to your eternal love. God of peace:

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*All* **Bountiful God, you call us to labor with you in tending the earth: where we lack love, open our hearts to the world; where we waste, give us discipline to conserve; where we neglect, awaken our minds and wills to insight and care. May we with all your creatures honor and serve you in all things, for you live and reign with Christ, Redeemer of all, and with your Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

*Presider* Let us pray together for all those celebrating a birthday or an anniversary this month:

### **BIRTHDAY BLESSING**

*All* **O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants with birthdays in the month of October, as each one begins another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## ANNIVERSARY BLESSING

*All* O God, we give thanks for the blessed union of those couples with an anniversary in the month of October. Continue to bless them with the gift of your beloved presence; grant that they may always manifest your love to each other and to all whose lives they touch. May they grow together in grace and in the knowledge and love of you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, now and for ever. Amen.

## THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

*Deacon* Let us confess our sins against God and God's creation.

*Silence is kept.*

*All* Holy and merciful God, we confess that we have failed to honor you by rightly claiming our kinship with all your creatures. We have walked heavily on your earth, overused and wasted its resources, taken for granted its beauty and abundance, and treated its inhabitants unjustly, holding future generations hostage to our greed. Have mercy on us and forgive us our sin. Renew in us the resolve to keep and conserve your earth as you desire and intend, with grateful and compassionate hearts, through your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

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

## THE EXCHANGE OF THE PEACE *Please stand as you are able.*

*Presider* The God of heaven has made a home on earth.

*People* **Christ dwells among us and is one with us.**

*Presider* The peace of Christ be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*The people greet each other with a sign of peace.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Please be seated.*

## GATHERING AT CHRIST'S TABLE

### OFFERTORY ANTHEM Greater Love Hath No Man

John Ireland (1879–1962)

*Many waters cannot quench love, neither can the floods drown it. Love is strong as death.*

*Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.*

*Who his own self bare our sins in his own Body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness.*

*Ye are washed, ye are sanctified, ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus.*

*Ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light.*

*I beseech you, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.*

[Song of Solomon 8:7, St John 15, I Peter 2, I Corinthians 6; Romans 12]

### DOXOLOGY

OLD 100<sup>th</sup>, revised

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here be - low; Praise  
God a - bove, and heaven - ly host: Cre - a - tor, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

## THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER: The Great Thanksgiving *Eucharistic Prayer with Creation III*

*Presider* God is with us.

*People* **God is present here.**

*Presider* Rejoice! Lift up your hearts.

*People* **We lift our hearts to the Most High.**

*Presider* Let us give thanks to the Holy One.

*People* **It is right to offer thanks and praise.**

*Presider* We do praise you, our intimate God, the one who is with us, and with all of creation, the source of this magical, mystical, sensual, beautiful, earth. From microbes to whales you have created all of us. We are privileged to be a strand in all of your creation, including this strange and wonderful home, our earth, the open sky above, the dazzling array of stars and planets, and the unfathomable galaxies beyond us.

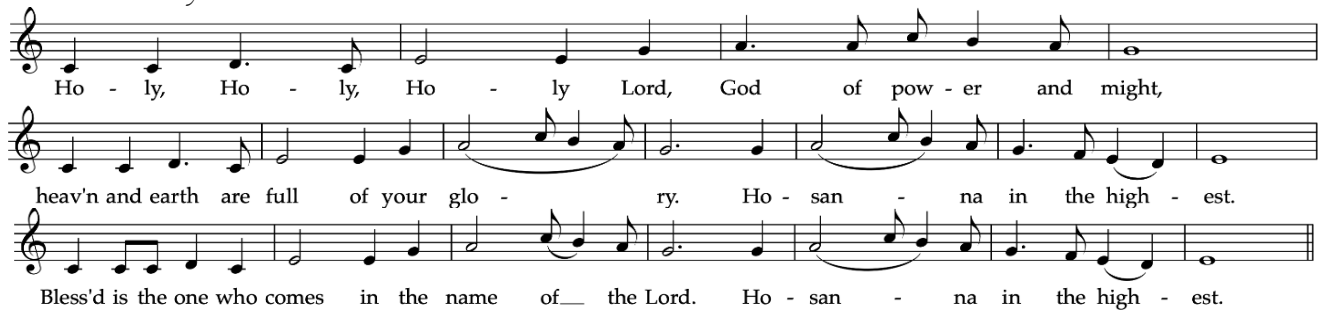
You have blessed us with a world of infinite variety and beauty, a land of mountains and meadows, canyons and valleys, deserts and jungles. Over and through this land you have provided oceans teeming with life, streams and rivers, crystal clear lakes, and cascading waterfalls. We share this land with all your creatures, from mosquito to mountain lion, from seal to scorpion. You have formed all of this, this land of such intense wildness and beauty.

Therefore, we praise you, O Sacred One, joining our voices with the cry of your animals, the rocks, the stars, the Moon, the Sun, and all the universe as we sing with joy:

**SANCTUS** My Flesh is Food Indeed

Ray W. Urwin, *paraphrased by C. Scott, ed.*

*Please kneel or stand as you are able.*



*Please stand or kneel as you are able.*

*Presider* We bless you and thank you, Gracious God, for all of these gifts, and for weaving us, the web of humanity, into this world. But instead of caring deeply for this most perfect of creations, the universe beyond our comprehension, and this earth in which we live, we have rebelled against it, against ourselves, against You.

We disregarded the interconnected web of life in which we live. Instead of loving it as a mother loves her child, we put ourselves above it, as if it was something we could own. It became something to control rather than a part of us and a part of you. Each time you have called us back, called us to understand that we are not masters of the earth, but instead a part of the earth. You continually remind us that caring for you means caring for your earth and for each other.

*All* **Then, All-Holy God, you sent Jesus Christ to be among us. Through His incarnation, You taught us that You are always with us and all of the world. He showed us the way to grace and freedom, and how to show compassion to each other and the world. He gathered a people as your own and filled us with longing for justice and peace for all of creation.**

**Keep us ever vigilant to follow his example so that we may bring about Your reign that He opened for us, through his life, his death, and his resurrection. It is a reign where all your creation will be one.**

*Presider* On the night before he died, Jesus came to table with those he loved. Recalling his own actions of feeding the poor and eating with the outcast, he took bread, gave thanks to You, broke it, and gave it to them, saying: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in memory of me." When supper was ended, he took a cup of wine and gave thanks to You, and passed the cup among his friends and said: "Take this, all of you, and drink from it; this is the cup of my blood, the blood of the new and everlasting covenant; do this in memory of me."

*Presider* Therefore, let us pray:

*All* **Gracious God among us, help us to feel your presence, and give us the strength to serve your creation and your people this day and every day.**

*Presider* Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts, O Sacred One. May they become for us the Body and Blood of Christ, just as we, your people, are that same Body. Breathe your Spirit upon us also and upon the entire earth. Make us one with your earth, so that all of Creation may become one with your Body.

*All* **Bring all of us, from every clan, tribe, and nation, together, to feast upon your abundant banquet, prepared from the fruits of your earth and made possible by the redemption of your Christ.**

*Presider* Through Jesus Christ, in the unity of the entire Universe, all glory and honor to God and Creator, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Presider* As the wisdom before Creation teaches us, we pray,

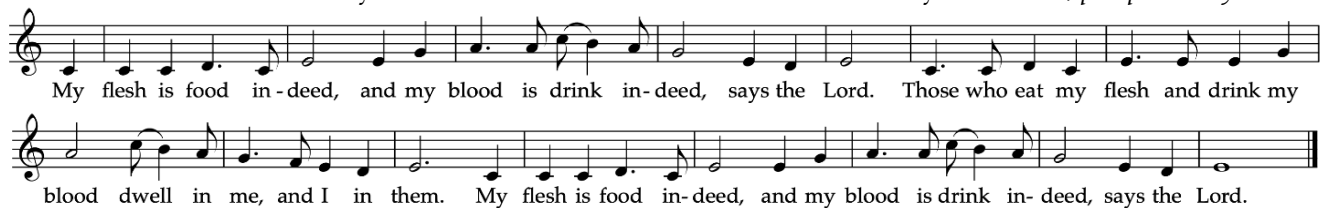
*All* **Holy One, our only Home, hallowed be your name. May your day dawn, your will be done, here as in heaven. Feed us today, and forgive us as we forgive each other. Do not forsake us at the test, but deliver us from evil. For the glory, the power, and the mercy are yours, now and for ever. Amen.**

### THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*The bread is broken; silence is kept.*

### FRACTION ANTHEM S-169 My Flesh is Food Indeed

Ray W. Urwin, *paraphrased by C. Scott, ed.*



*Presider* Behold what you are.

*People* **May we become what we receive.**

### THE INVITATION

*Presider* These are God's holy gifts, for you, God's holy people.

*The Presider may add:*

So come to this table you who have much faith or you who would like to have more; you who have been here often and you who have not been here in a long time. Come. It is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

### SHARING THE SACRED MEAL

*This is Christ's table and all are welcome to be fed. Please follow the movement to the altar; communion will be distributed at the head of the center aisle. Remember to take your purse/personal belongings with you when leaving your seat for communion.*

*Those participating at home may, if they wish, say this prayer during the time of Communion:*

**Lord of the Feast, we thank you for gathering us as your people. We call to remembrance the many times we have been fed at your table and we lament our distance now. Be present Lord Jesus as you were present with your disciples, be known to us in the breaking of the bread, and may your Holy Spirit sustain us and all your Church until we can gather together again. We ask this for the sake of your love. Amen.**

### COMMUNION ANTHEM In This Very Room

Carol Harris & Ron Harris (b. 1941)

*In this very room There's quite enough love for one like me and in this very room There's quite enough joy for one like me*

**Chorus:** *And there's quite enough hope and quite enough power to chase away any gloom For Jesus, Lord Jesus Is in this very room.*

*In this very room There's quite enough love for all of us and in this very room There's quite enough joy for all of us*

**Chorus**

*In this very room There's quite enough love for all the world and in this very room There's quite enough joy There's quite enough joy for all the world* **Chorus**



1. Great is thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther,  
 2. Sum - mer and win - ter, and spring - time and har - vest,  
 3. Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth,

1. There is no shad - ow of turn - ing with thee;  
 2. Sun, moon and stars in their cours - es a - bove,  
 3. Thine own dear pres - ence to cheer and to guide;

1. Thou chang - est not, thy com - pas - sions, they fail not,  
 2. Join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wit - ness,  
 3. Strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row,

1. As thou hast been thou for - ev - er wilt be.  
 2. To thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy and love.  
 3. Bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!

Great is thy faith - ful-ness! Great is thy faith - ful-ness!

Morn - ing by morn - ing new mer - cies I see;

All I have need - ed thy hand hath pro - vid - ed,

Great is Thy faith - ful-ness, Lord un - to me!

### SENDING OF EUCHARISTIC VISITOR(S)

*Deacon* In the name of this congregation, we send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's Body and Blood.

*People* **We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread, one cup.**

### THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER *Please stand as you are able*

*Presider* God is with you.

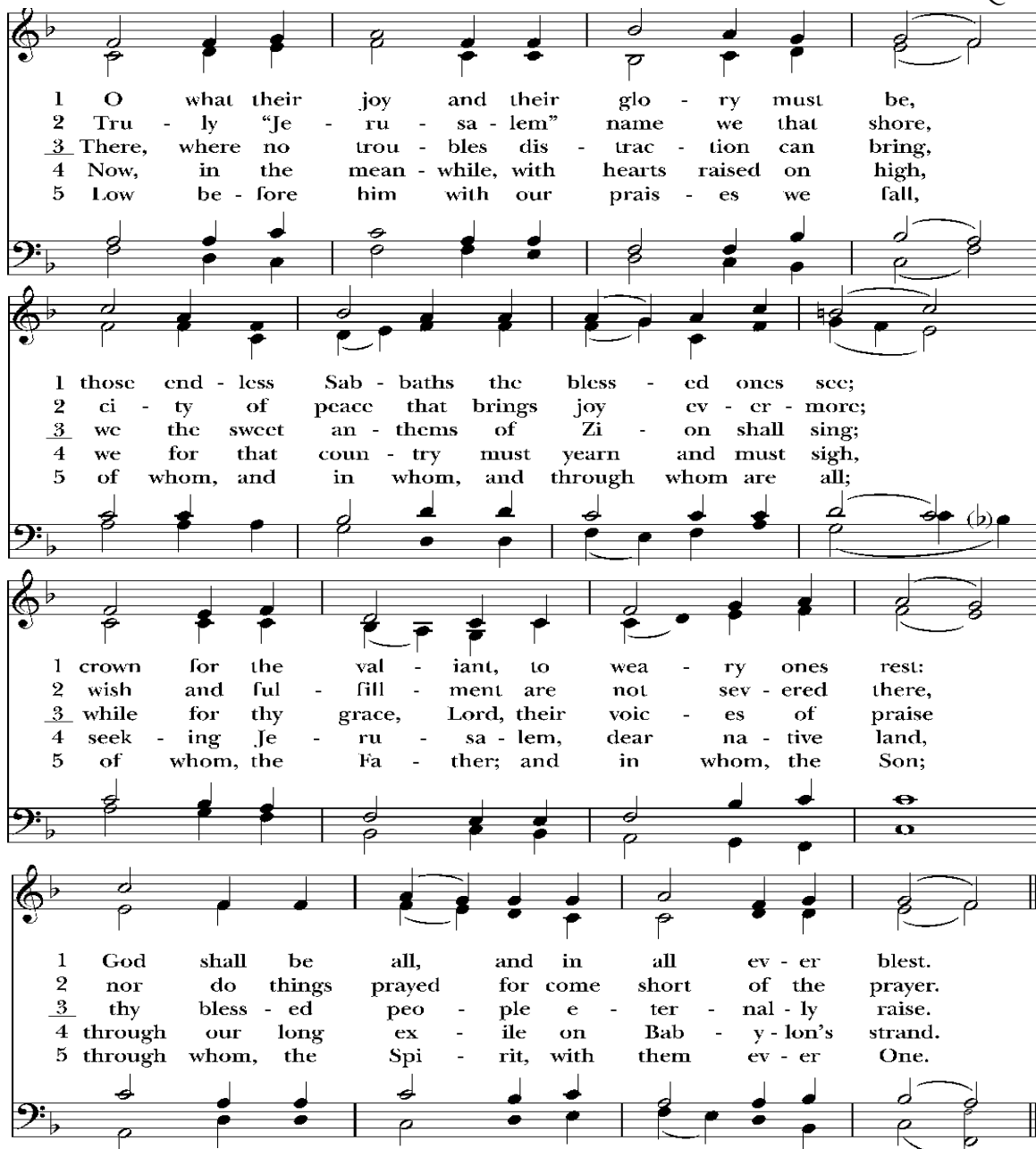
*People* **And also with you.**

*Presider* Let us pray.

*All* **Holy One, you feed us with bread from heaven and the gifts of mother earth. In this communion, you have drawn us into your embrace and you call us to friendship with one another. You have given us the gift of reconciliation. May we who have tasted that gift from you, offer ourselves in peace and humility to one another. And may you always walk among us as friend. Amen.**

### THE BLESSING

*Presider* Let us join with the Earth and each other—to bring new life to the land, to restore the waters, to refresh the air, to protect the animals, to treasure the trees, to gaze at the stars, to cherish the human community, to heal the Earth, to remember the children. Let us go forth to put our words into action and may the blessing of God Almighty, the Grace of Christ the Son and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you and remain with you now and always. **Amen.**



1 O what their joy and their glo - ry must be,  
 2 Tru - ly "Je - ru - sa - lem" name we that shore,  
 3 There, where no trou - bles dis - trac - tion can bring,  
 4 Now, in the mean - while, with hearts raised on high,  
 5 Low be - fore him with our prais - es we fall,

1 those end - less Sab - baths the bless - ed ones see;  
 2 ci - ty of peace that brings joy ev - er - more;  
 3 we the sweet an - thems of Zi - on shall sing;  
 4 we for that coun - try must yearn and must sigh,  
 5 of whom, and in whom, and through whom are all;

1 crown for the val - iant, to wea - ry ones rest:  
 2 wish and ful - fill - ment are not sev - ered there,  
 3 while for thy grace, Lord, their voic - es of praise  
 4 seek - ing Je - ru - sa - lem, dear na - tive land,  
 5 of whom, the Fa - ther; and in whom, the Son;

1 God shall be all, and in all ev - er blest.  
 2 nor do things prayed for come short of the prayer.  
 3 thy bless - ed peo - ple e - ter - nal - ly raise.  
 4 through our long ex - ile on Bab - y - lon's strand.  
 5 through whom, the Spi - rit, with them ev - er One.

**THE SENDING**

*Deacon* Let us go forth into all Creation, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

*People* Thanks be to God.

**POSTLUDE** Chorale Prelude on *Old Hundredth*

Healey Willan (1880–1968)

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