

Entrance Rites

Xmas rev1

The people stand as they are able.

The Processional Hymn

Please see the cover for hymn number

Greeting

Presider *Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit*

People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

Gloria *#S278 in the Hymnal 1982*

Collect of the Day

Presider *The Lord be with you.*

People **And also with you.**

Presider *Let us pray.*

O God, you have caused this holy night to shine with the brightness of the true Light: Grant that we, who have known the mystery of that Light on earth, may also enjoy him perfectly in heaven; where with you and the Holy Spirit he lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

The Word of God

See Lectionary insert

After each Reading the people respond to the Lector

Lector: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn

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Gospel Reading

Sermon

The Nicene Creed *All say together*

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.

Prayers of the People

Leader: *In peace, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Hear us, O Christ". For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault at the day of your coming, we pray to you, O Lord.*

People: **Hear us, O Christ.**

Leader: *For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, for Kirk our diocesan Bishop, for Jennifer our Bishop-elect, for all bishops and other ministers, and for all the holy people of God, we pray to you, O Lord. **Hear us, O Christ***

Leader: *For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease, and that all may be one as you and the Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord. **Hear us, O Christ.***

Leader: *For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, O Lord. **Hear us, O Christ.***

Leader: *For those who do not yet believe, and for those who have lost their faith, that they may receive the light of the Gospel, we pray to you, O Lord.*

Hear us, O Christ.

Leader: *For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, O Lord.* **Hear us, O Christ.**

Leader: *For those in positions of public trust, especially the President, members of congress, and all who hold authority, that they may serve justice, and promote the dignity and freedom of every person, we pray to you, O Lord.* **Hear us, O Christ.**

Leader: *For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O Lord.* **Hear us, O Christ.**

Leader: *For this congregation: for those who are present, and for those who are absent, that we may be delivered from hardness of heart, and show forth your glory in all that we do, we pray to you, O Lord.* **Hear us, O Christ.**

Leader: *For all who have commended themselves to our prayers; for our families, friends, and neighbors; that being freed from anxiety, they may live in joy, peace, and health, we pray to you, O Lord.* **Hear us, O Christ.**

Leader: *In the Anglican cycle of prayer we pray for (_____)*

All: **Hear us, O Christ.**

Leader: *In the Diocesan cycle of prayer we pray for (_____).*

All: **Hear us, O Christ.**

Leader: *We acknowledge and pay respect to the first peoples of this land and their role as custodians of the earth and commit ourselves to work alongside them for reconciliation and justice as we live into our Baptismal Covenant and respect the dignity of every person.* **Hear us, O Christ.**

Leader: *For ourselves; for the forgiveness of our sins, and for the grace of the Holy Spirit to amend our lives, we pray to you, O Lord.* **Hear us, O Christ.**

Concluding Collect:

*Presider Almighty and Eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and on earth:
Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do
your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

Exchange of the Peace

Presider *May the peace of God be always with you*

All **And also with you.**

The Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

The Presider says

Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good your vows to the Most High. Psalm 50:14

Offertory Hymn:

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Doxology

♪ **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.
AMEN ♪**

The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving

Presider *The Lord be with you.*

People **And also with you.**

Presider *Lift up your hearts.*

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider *Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.*

People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Presider

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

Because you gave Jesus Christ, your only Son, to be born for us; who, by the mighty power of the Holy Spirit, was made perfect Man of the flesh of the Virgin Mary his mother; so that we might be delivered from the bondage of sin, and receive power to become your children.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus

The Hymnal 1982, Service Music #S128



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



Then the Presider 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:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

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.

Lord's Prayer

Presider: *As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,*

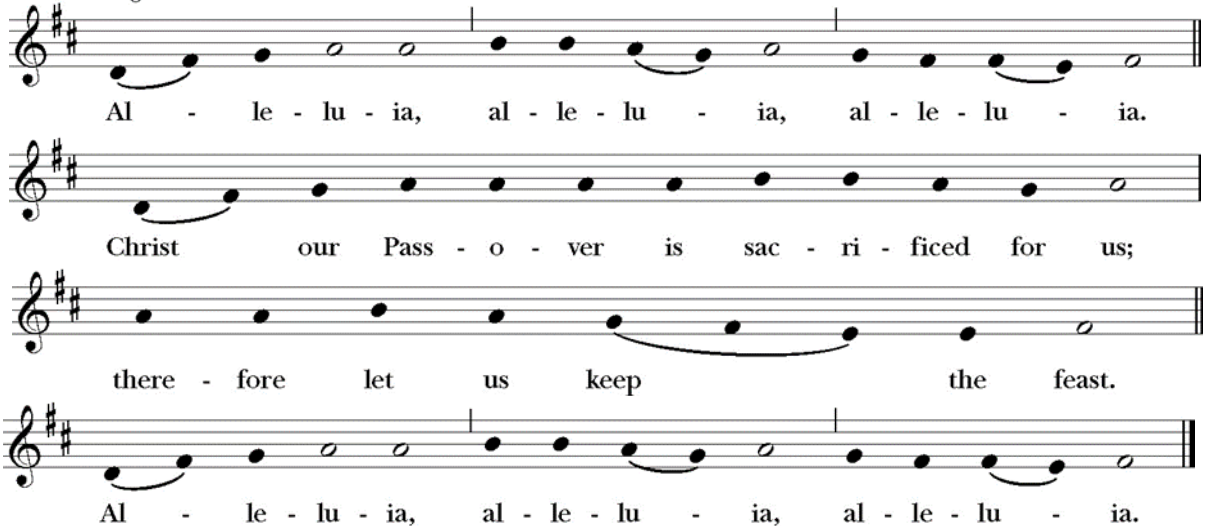
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Anthem

The Hymnal 1982, Service Music #S154

This setting is not used in Lent.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;
there - fore let us keep the feast.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Invitation to Communion:

Presider: The gifts of God for the people of God.

(All are invited and welcome to come forward and receive communion in this church.)

Communion Hymn

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Post Communion Prayer *The people stand as they are able.*

Presider and People

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

The Presider says

May the peace which surpasses all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. And the blessing of God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit be among you and remain with you now and always. Amen.

Recessional Hymn

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Dismissal

Deacon: *Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in God's Spirit.*

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia, (Alleluia!)**