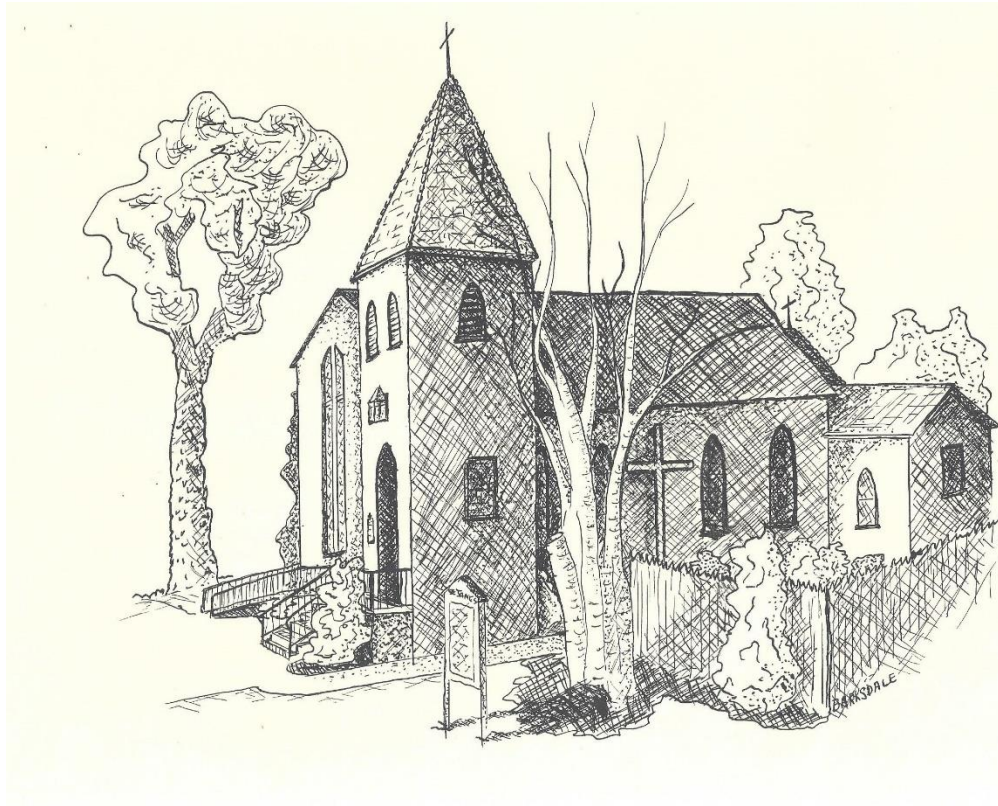


# **The Episcopal Church of St. James the Apostle**

## **Paso Robles, California**

### **Our Mission**

**St. James is a community centered on the love of Jesus,  
focusing on inclusion, spiritual growth, and service.**



**The Fourth Sunday of Lent  
10 March 2024**

# The Holy Eucharist Rite Two

## Sunday, March 10, 2024

### PRELUDE

### Entrance Rite

#### ENTRANCE HYMN *Come, thou fount of every blessing*



1 Come, thou fount of ev - ery bless - ing, tune my  
2 Here I find my great - est trea - sure; hith - er,  
3 Oh, to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly



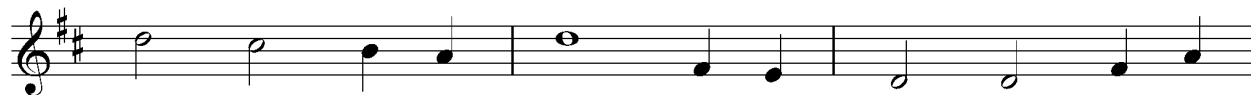
heart to sing thy grace! Streams of mer - cy nev - er  
by thy help, I've come; and I hope, by thy good  
I'm con - strained to be! Let thy good - ness, like a



ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.  
plea - sure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home.  
fet - ter, bind my wan - dering heart to thee:



Teach me some me - lo - dious son - net, sung by  
Je - sus sought me when a stran - ger wan - dering  
prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it, prone to



flam - ing tongues a - bove. Praise the mount! Oh, fix me  
from the fold of God; he, to res - cue me from  
leave the God I love; here's my heart, oh, take and



on it, mount of God's un - chang - ing love.  
dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.  
seal it, seal it for thy courts a - bove.

## OPENING ACCLAMATION

*The people standing, the Presider says*

*Presider* Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

*People* His mercy endures for ever.

Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord your God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these." *Mark 12:29-31*

## COFESSIOIN

### OPENING SONG OF PRAISE

*The following is sung, all standing*

*Lord, have mercy upon us (Willan)*

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up -

on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -

on us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -

on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

## The Lessons

### FIRST READING: Numbers 21:4-9

*The people sit.*

A Reading from the book of Numbers.

<sup>4</sup>From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom; but the people became impatient on the way. <sup>5</sup>The people spoke against God and against Moses, “Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we detest this miserable food.” <sup>6</sup>Then the LORD sent poisonous serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many Israelites died. <sup>7</sup>The people came to Moses and said, “We have sinned by speaking against the LORD and against you; pray to the LORD to take away the serpents from us.” So Moses prayed for the people. <sup>8</sup>And the LORD said to Moses, “Make a poisonous serpent, and set it on a pole; and everyone who is bitten shall look at it and live.” <sup>9</sup>So Moses made a serpent of bronze, and put it upon a pole; and whenever a serpent bit someone, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live.

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

*Silence may follow.*

### PSALM: Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22

*Remain seated.*

<sup>1</sup>Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, \*  
and his mercy endures for ever.

<sup>2</sup>Let all those whom the LORD has redeemed proclaim \*  
that he redeemed them from the hand of the foe.

<sup>3</sup>He gathered them out of the lands; \*  
from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

<sup>17</sup>Some were fools and took to rebellious ways; \*  
they were afflicted because of their sins.

<sup>18</sup>They abhorred all manner of food \*  
and drew near to death's door.

<sup>19</sup>Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble, \*  
and he delivered them from their distress.

<sup>20</sup>He sent forth his word and healed them \*  
and saved them from the grave.

<sup>21</sup>Let them give thanks to the LORD for his mercy \*  
and the wonders he does for his children.

<sup>22</sup>Let them offer a sacrifice of thanksgiving \*  
and tell of his acts with shouts of joy.

## SECOND READING: Ephesians 2:1-10

*The people sit.*

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Church in Ephesus.

<sup>1</sup>You were dead through the trespasses and sins <sup>2</sup>in which you once lived, following the course of this world, following the ruler of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work among those who are disobedient. <sup>3</sup>All of us once lived among them in the passions of our flesh, following the desires of flesh and senses, and we were by nature children of wrath, like everyone else. <sup>4</sup>But God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us <sup>5</sup>even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved—<sup>6</sup>and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, <sup>7</sup>so that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. <sup>8</sup>For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God—<sup>9</sup>not the result of works, so that no one may boast. <sup>10</sup>For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.

Reader            The Word of the Lord.

People            *Thanks be to God.*

*Silence may follow.*

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*All stand.*



## **GOSPEL: John 3:14-21**

*All stand.*

Deacon        The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.  
People        *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Jesus said, <sup>14</sup>“Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, <sup>15</sup>that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

<sup>16</sup>“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

<sup>17</sup>“Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. <sup>18</sup>Those who believe in him are not condemned; but those who do not believe are condemned already, because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God. <sup>19</sup>And this is the judgment, that the light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil. <sup>20</sup>For all who do evil hate the light and do not come to the light, so that their deeds may not be exposed. <sup>21</sup>But those who do what is true come to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have been done in God.”

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

## **THE HOMILY**

## THE CREED

*All stand.*

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

*All remain standing.*

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love,  
and reveal your glory in the world.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy  
*Hear our prayer.*

## El Credo Niceno

Creemos en un solo Dios, Padre todopoderoso,  
Creador de cielo y tierra,  
de todo lo visible e invisible.

Creemos en un solo Señor, Jesucristo,  
Hijo único de Dios,  
nacido del Padre antes de todos los siglos: Dios de  
Dios, Luz de Luz,  
Dios verdadero de Dios verdadero, engendrado, no  
creado,  
de la misma naturaleza que el Padre,  
por quien todo fue hecho;  
que por nosotros y por nuestra salvación  
bajó del cielo:  
por obra del Espíritu Santo  
se encarnó de María, la Virgen, y se hizo hombre.

Por nuestra causa fue crucificado  
en tiempos de Poncio Pilato:  
padeció y fue sepultado.  
Resucitó al tercer día, según las Escrituras, subió al  
cielo

y está sentado a la derecha del Padre. De nuevo  
vendrá con gloria  
para juzgar a vivos y muertos,  
y su reino no tendrá fin.

Creemos en el Espíritu Santo,  
Señor y dador de vida,  
que procede del Padre y del Hijo,  
que con el Padre y el Hijo  
recibe una misma adoración y gloria,  
y que habló por los profetas.

Creemos en la Iglesia,  
que es una, santa, católica y apostólica.  
Reconocemos un solo Bautismo  
para el perdón de los pecados. Esperamos la  
resurrección de los muertos y la vida del mundo  
futuro. Amén.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy  
*Hear our prayer.*

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy  
*Hear our prayer.*

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy  
*Hear our prayer.*

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy  
*Hear our prayer.*

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy  
*Hear our prayer.*

*The Presider and People say the Collect.*

O God, who created all peoples in your image, we thank you for the wonderful diversity of races and cultures in this world. Enrich our lives by ever-widening circles of fellowship, and show us your presence in those who differ most from us, until our knowledge of your love is made perfect in our love for all your children; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*

## **THE WELCOMING RITE FOR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION STUDENTS**

Who presents these children to begin their spiritual journey toward Holy Communion?  
Presenter says: **I do.**

Dear candidates, you wish to share our life and hope in Christ. To admit you as candidate, we now mark you with the sign of Christ's cross. The whole community welcomes you with love, and stands ready to help you.



P: Receive the sign of the cross on your forehead. It is Christ himself who now strengthens you with this sign of his love. Learn to know and follow him.

**A: Christ will be your strength! Learn to know and follow him!**

P: Receive the sign of the cross on your ears, that you may hear the voice of the Lord.

**A: Christ will be your strength! Learn to know and follow him!**

P: Receive the sign of the cross on your eyes, that you may see the glory of God.

**A: Christ will be your strength! Learn to know and follow him!**

P: Receive the sign of the cross on your lips, that you may respond to the word of God.

**A: Christ will be your strength! Learn to know and follow him!**

P: Receive the sign of the cross over your heart, that Christ may dwell there by faith.

**A: Christ will be your strength! Learn to know and follow him!**

P: Receive the sign of the cross on your shoulders, that you may bear the gentle yoke of Christ.

**A: Christ will be your strength! Learn to know and follow him!**

P: Receive the sign of the cross on your hands, that Christ may be known in the work which you do.

**A: Christ will be your strength! Learn to know and follow him!**

P: I sign you with the sign of eternal life, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, + and of the Holy Spirit.

**A: Amen.**

Lord, by the cross and resurrection of your Son, you have given life to your people. These candidates have been signed with the sign of Christ's cross: make them living proof of its saving power, and help them to persevere in the footsteps of Christ. We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## **THE PEACE**

*All stand.*

*Presider*      The peace of the Lord be  
always with you.

*People*      And also with you.

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

## **LA PAZ**

*De pie.*

*Preside*      La paz del Señor sea siempre con ustedes.

*Pueblo*      Y también contigo. *El pueblo puede  
saludarse en nombre del Señor.*

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES**

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# The Holy Communion

## OFFERTORY SENTENCE

*The Presider says*

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

## OFFERTORY HYMN *Father, we thank thee who hast planted (Rendez à Dieu)*

1 Fa - ther, we thank thee who hast plant - ed thy ho - ly Name with-  
2 Watch o'er thy Church, O Lord, in mer - cy, save it from e - vil,  
in our hearts. Know - ledge and faith and life im - mor - tal Je - sus thy  
guard it still, per - fect it in thy love, u - nite it, cleansed and con-  
Son to us im - parts. Thou, Lord, didst make all for thy plea - sure,  
formed un - to thy will. As grain, once scat - tered on the hill - sides,  
didst give us food for all our days, giv - ing in Christ the  
was in this bro - ken bread made one, so from all lands thy  
Bread e - ter - nal; thine is the power, be thine the praise.  
Church be gath - ered in - to thy king - dom by thy Son.

# The Great Thanksgiving

*The People remain standing.*

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 him thanks and praise.*

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

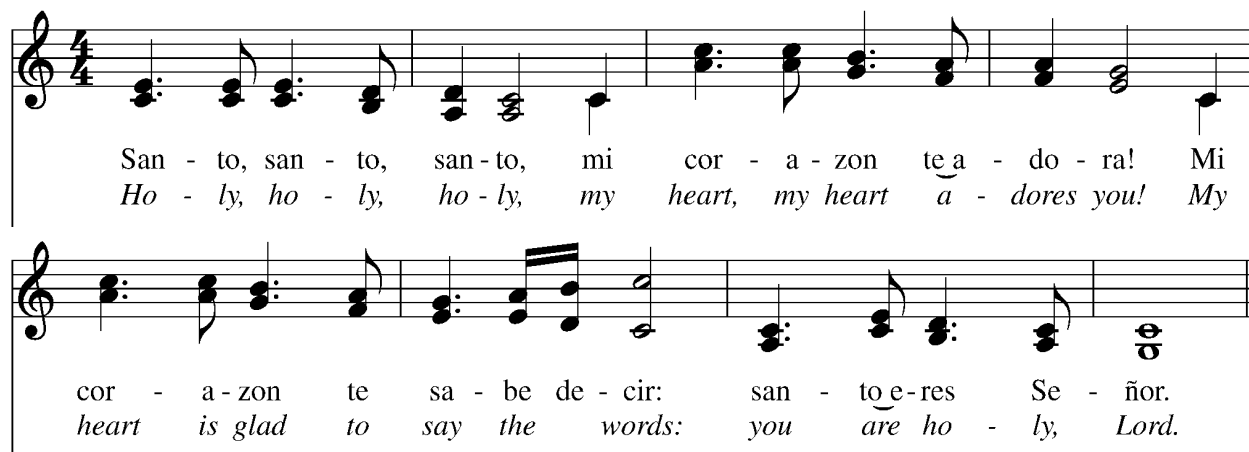
Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again.

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:

## SANCTUS

*Presider and People*

*Santo, santo, sant [Holy, holy, holy*



San - to, san - to, san - to, mi cor - a - zon te a - do - ra! Mi  
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, my heart, my heart a - dores you! My

cor - a - zon te sa - be de - cir: san - to e - res Se - ñor.  
heart is glad to say the words: you are ho - ly, Lord.

*The People stand or kneel.*

*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:

*Presider and People*

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

*The Presider 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.*

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

*People and Presider*

Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your Name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen.

Oremos como nuestro Salvador Cristo nos enseñó.

*Pueblo y Celebrante:*

Padre nuestro que estás en el cielo,  
santificado sea tu Nombre,  
venga tu reino,  
hágase tu voluntad, en la tierra  
como en el cielo.  
Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día.  
Perdona nuestras ofensas,  
como también nosotros perdonamos  
a los que nos ofenden.  
No nos dejes caer en tentación y líbranos del mal.  
Porque tuyo es el reino, tuyo es el poder,  
y tuya es la gloria,  
ahora y por siempre. Amén

# The Breaking of the Bread

## *Lamb of God (Hurd)*

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:  
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,  
you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

## *The Presider says*

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

## COMMUNION HYMN *O Food to pilgrims given (O Welt, ich muss dich lassen)*

1 O Food to pil - grims giv - en, O Bread of life from  
2 O stream of love past tell - ing, O pur - est foun - tain,  
3 O Je - sus, by thee bid - den, we here a - dore thee,  
hea - ven, O Man - na from on high! We  
well - ing from out the Sa - vior's side! We  
hid - den in forms of bread and wine. Grant  
hun - ger; Lord, sup - ply us, nor thy de - lights de -  
faint with thirst; re - vive us, of thine a - bun - dance  
when the veil is riv - en, we may be - hold, in  
ny give us, whose hearts to thee draw nigh.  
give us, and all we need pro - vide.  
hea - ven, thy coun - te - nance di - vine.

## POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

*After Communion, the Presider says*

Let us pray.

*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.

## PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

*Prayed by people at home while the people present  
take communion*

God of infinite mercy,  
We thank you for Jesus our Savior,  
Who feeds us and gives us eternal life.  
Although we cannot receive  
His gifts of bread and wine,  
We thank you that we do receive  
Christ's saving presence,  
The forgiveness of sins,  
And all the benefits of this Holy Meal.  
Grant that we may continue for ever  
In the risen life of our savior. Amen

## BLESSING

*The Priest blesses the people, saying*

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. Amen.

## CLOSING HYMN *Guide me, O thou great Jehovah (Cwm Rhondda)*

1 Guide me, O thou great Je - ho - vah, pil - grim through this  
2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun-tain, whence the heal - ing  
3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious

bar - ren land; I am weak, but thou art might - y;  
stream doth flow; let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar  
fears sub - side; death of death, and hell's de - struc - tion,

hold me with thy power - ful hand; bread of hea - ven,  
lead me all my jour - ney through; strong de - liv - erer,  
land me safe on Ca - naan's side; songs of prais - es,

bread of hea - ven, feed me now and ev - er -  
 strong de - liv - erer, be thou still my strength and  
 songs of prais - es, I will ev - er give to

more, feed me now and ev - er - more.  
 shield, be thou still my strength and shield.  
 thee, I will ev - er give to thee.

## DISMISSAL

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People

*Thanks be to God.*

## POSTLUDE



### *Ministers of the Liturgy*

Presider	The Rev. Barbara Miller
Deacon	The Rev. Jim Arnold
Eucharistic Minister	Laura Learned
Lector	Carol Hungerford
Spanish Gospeler	Becky Hewatt
Usher	Lucy Simola & Mac Learned
Musician	Manqi Liang
Tech	Paul Drasil
Vestry on Duty	Janet Drasil
Altar Guild	Team B
Coffee Hour	Becky Hewatt
Counters	Mac & Laura Learned

### *Birthdays*

Watch over your child, O Lord, as *her* days increase; bless and guide *her* wherever *she* may be. Strengthen *her* when *she* stands; comfort *her* when discouraged or sorrowful; raise *her* up when *she* falls; and in *her* heart may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of *her* life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*Amen*

### *Anniversaries*

O God, you have called us into faithful friendship with you and each other: Send therefore your blessing upon these your servants, that they may so love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness, that their home may be a haven of blessing and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. *Amen*.

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