

Voluntary

Announcements

THE WORD OF GOD

Entrance Rite

Entrance HymnAll Stand.Hymnal 1982 – 51We the Lord's people, heart and voice unitingDecatur Place

 We the Lord's people, heart and voice uniting, Praise him who called us out of sin and darkness
 Into his own light, that he might anoint us a royal priesthood.

2 This is the Lord's house, home of all his people, School for the faithful, refuge for the sinner,Rest for the pilgrim, haven for the weary; all find a welcome. 3 This is the Lord's day, day of God's own making, Day of creation, day of resurrection,Day of the Spirit, sign of heaven's banquet, day for rejoicing.

4 In the Lord's service bread and wine are offered, That Christ may take them, bless them, break, and give them To all his people, his own life imparting, food everlasting.

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Opening Acclamation The people standing, the Celebrant says

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Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Collect for Purity

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All: 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. 11:10 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II | The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

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Song of Praise Canticle 20

All Stand.

See pew card Gloria in excelsis

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God. You take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

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

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

The people sit.

The First Reading: Isaiah 56:1, 6-8

A Reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

Thus says the Lord:

Maintain justice, and do what is right, for soon my salvation will come, and my deliverance be revealed.

And the foreigners who join themselves to the Lord, to minister to him, to love the name of the Lord, and to be his servants,

all who keep the sabbath, and do not profane it, and hold fast my covenant –

these I will bring to my holy mountain,

and make them joyful in my house of prayer; their burnt offerings and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar;for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples.Thus says the Lord God, who gathers the outcasts of Israel,I will gather others to them besides those already gathered.

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

Silence may follow.

Sequence HymnAll stand.God of mercy, God of grace

Hymnal 1982 – 538 Lucerna Laudoniae

1 God of mercy, God of grace, show the brightness of thy face. Shine upon us, Savior, shine, fill thy Church with light divine, and thy saving health extend unto earth's remotest end.

2 Let thy people praise thee, Lord; be by all that live adored.

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Let the nations shout and sing glory to their Savior King; let all be, below, above, one in joy, and light, and love.

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Gospel: Matthew 15:10-28

All remain standing.

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

Jesus called the crowd to him and said to them, "Listen and understand: it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but it is what comes out of the mouth that defiles." Then the disciples approached and said to him, "Do you know that the Pharisees took offense when they heard what you said?" He answered, "Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted. Let them alone; they are blind guides of the blind. And if one blind person guides another, both will fall into a pit." But Peter said to him, "Explain this parable to us." Then he said, "Are you also still without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth enters the stomach, and goes out into the sewer? But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this is what defiles. For out of the heart come evil intentions, murder, adultery, fornication, theft, false witness, slander. These are what defile a person, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile."

Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon." But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, "Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us." He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." He answered, "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed instantly.

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

Sermon

The Rev. Nancy L.J. Cox

The Nicene 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.

From Praying the Scriptures, by Jeremiah D. Williamson

Intercessor: Sisters and brothers, there's a wideness in God's mercy like the wideness of the sea! Therefore let us come before our loving God, saying, "Hear us, we humbly pray; *Lord, help us.*"

> Loving God, you have shown your Church such great mercy. Through the witness of your Church, may those beyond our walls also experience the goodness of your mercy. *Silence*.

Hear us, we humbly pray;

People:	Lord, help us.
Intercessor:	Lord of all peoples, you have created us to live together. Help us to see that our common life depends on each other's work and goodwill. Cause wars to cease and generosity to prevail. <i>Silence</i> .
	Hear us, we humbly pray;
People:	Lord, help us.
Intercessor:	Abundant God, you make the earth bring forth good food. As you provided for the children of Israel, we pray you will also provide for all those suffering from famine or need. <i>Silence</i> .
	Hear us, we humbly pray;
People:	Lord, help us.
Intercessor:	Caring God, how good and pleasant it is when your children live together in unity. Pour out a spirit of reconciliation in our communities. <i>The people are invited to add their thanksgivings, followed by silence.</i>
	Hear us, we humbly pray;
People:	Lord, help us.

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Intercessor:	Lord Christ, may those who call out to you in great
	faith find your heart open to their cries. We ask for
	healing for the sick and suffering, the desperate,
	and disturbed. The people are invited to add their
	petitions, followed by silence.
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Hear us, we humbly pray;

People: Lord, help us.

Intercessor: God of blessing, bless your people with life forevermore. May the dying find comfort; may the dead rest in your peace. Silence.

Hear us, we humbly pray;

People: Lord, help us.

Silence.

The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.

Confession of Sin The Deacon or Celebrant says Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

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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 Absolution

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	BCP p. 360
All stand	
Celebrant:	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.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

A note about receiving Holy Communion: In the Episcopal Church, we understand that Christ is "really present" in the bread and wine provided from God's table. All who claim Christ as Lord are always welcome to receive the sacrament of Holy Communion in this church. Children are welcome to receive communion at the discretion of their parents.

Come forward at the direction of the ushers. Receive the consecrated wafer in the palm of your outstretched hand from the first person who comes to you. To receive a gluten-free wafer, please cross your hands palms down. Wine may be received by lightly dipping the bread into the small cup in the center of the plate/paten from which you received the bread. Alternatively, you may choose to drink from the larger cup/chalice which the next person will offer you. Receive the consecrated wine by guiding the offered cup to your lips and sipping. Those who distribute the wine will wipe the chalice with a food safe sanitizer and turn it for the next person after each person receives. You may also decide to take the wafer only. If you choose not to receive communion, you may cross your arms over your chest and receive a blessing as your presence is a blessing to all of us. Once you have been blessed or received communion, you may offer a short prayer and then return to your seat.

If physical limitations make it difficult to come forward, please let an usher know that we may have the honor of bringing communion to you.

Offertory Sentence

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The Celebrant says

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

Offertory Anthem My spirit longs for thee

Philip Godfrey

My Spirit longs for thee Within my troubled breast Though I unworthy be Of so divine a guest.

Of so divine a guest Unworthy though I be Yet has my heart no rest Unless it come from thee.

Unless it come from thee In vain I look around In all that I can see No rest is to be found.

No rest is to be found But in thy blessed love O let my wish be crowned And send it from above.

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

The Great Thanksgiving

Sursum Corda

The People remain standing.

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Celebrant:	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.

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.

The Celebrant adds a proper preface.

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

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Celebrant and People

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The People stand or kneel.

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:

Memorial Acclamation

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**.

The Lord's Prayer BCP p. 363 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

Fraction Anthem

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Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Invitation

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The Celebrant says The Gifts of God for the people of God.

Spiritual Communion Prayer

A prayer for those joining online to be unified in Communion with Christ.

In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. I remember your death, Lord Christ; I proclaim your resurrection; I await your coming in glory. And since I cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. **Amen.**

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Hymns at Communion My God, thy table now is spread

Hymnal 1982 – 321 Rockingham

1 My God, thy table now is spread, thy cup with love doth overflow; be all thy children thither led, and let them thy sweet mercies know.

2 O let thy table honored be, and furnished well with joyful guests; and may each soul salvation see, that here its sacred pledges tastes.

3 Drawn by thy quickening grace, O Lord, in countless number let them come and gather from their Father's board the Bread that lives beyond the tomb.

4 Nor let thy spreading Gospel rest till through the world thy truth has run, till with this Bread shall all be blessed who see the light or feel the sun

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There's a wideness in God's mercy

Hymnal 1982 – 470 Beecher

 There's a wideness in God's mercy like the wideness of the sea; there's a kindness in his justice, which is more than liberty.
 There is welcome for the sinner, and more graces for the good; there is mercy with the Savior; there is healing in his blood.

2 There is no place where earth's sorrows are more felt than up in heaven; there is no place where earth's failings have such kindly judgment given. There is plentiful redemption in the blood that has been shed; there is joy for all the members in the sorrows of the Head.

3 For the love of God is broader than the measure of the mind; and the heart of the Eternal is most wonderfully kind. If our love were but more faithful, we should take him at his word; and our life would be thanksgiving for the goodness of the Lord.

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Lay Eucharistic Minister Prayer (as needed)	
Celebrant:	In order that all may receive Holy Eucharist, will take the Eucharist to today.
All:	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. We
	who are many are one body because we all
	share one bread, one cup. Amen.

The Post-Communion PrayerBCP p. 365After Communion, the Celebrant saysLet us pray.

Celebrant 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

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Closing Hymn Hymnal 1982 – 539 O Zion, haste, thy mission high fulfilling

Tidings

1 O Zion, haste, thy mission high fulfilling, to tell to all the world that God is Light; that he who made all nations is not willing one soul should fail to know his love and might.

> Refrain: Publish glad tidings: tidings of peace, tidings of Jesus, redemption and release.

2 Proclaim to every people, tongue, and nation that God, in whom they live and move, is Love: tell how he stooped to save his lost creation, and died on earth that all might live above. *Refrain*

3 Send heralds forth to bear the message glorious; give of thy wealth to speed them on their way; pour out thy soul for them in prayer victorious till God shall bring his kingdom's joyful day. *Refrain*

4 He comes again! O Zion, ere thou meet him, make known to every heart his saving grace;let none whom he hath ransomed fail to greet him, through thy neglect, unfit to see his face. *Refrain*

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Dismissal

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Deacon: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.People: Thanks be to God.

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