



**First Sunday of Advent**  
**December 1, 2024**

**St. Andrew's Mission Statement**

*Rooted in Christ's love, St. Andrew's is a worshipping community seeking to*

***G R O W*** *our relationships with God, one another and the world.*

**Grounded in Prayer,**

**Renewing Hope,**

**Open to the Spirit,**

**Welcoming & Accepting of All**

ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
EMPORIA, KANSAS  
A EUCHARISTIC COMMUNITY OF THE DIOCESE OF KANSAS

# WELCOME

Good Morning and Welcome to St. Andrew's!



This booklet is a guide to this morning's worship. It contains the structure of the service, as well as the prayers and responses, readings, and hymns for today's liturgy. Announcements and prayer requests are also included. Today we will be using the liturgy for Holy Communion beginning on page 355 in your Book of Common Prayer. If you print this booklet at home for your edification, please recycle it to be good stewards of God's creation.

## *Let us Worship the Lord!*

**Prelude**

“Watchman, Tell Us of the Night”

Healey Willan

**The Bell**

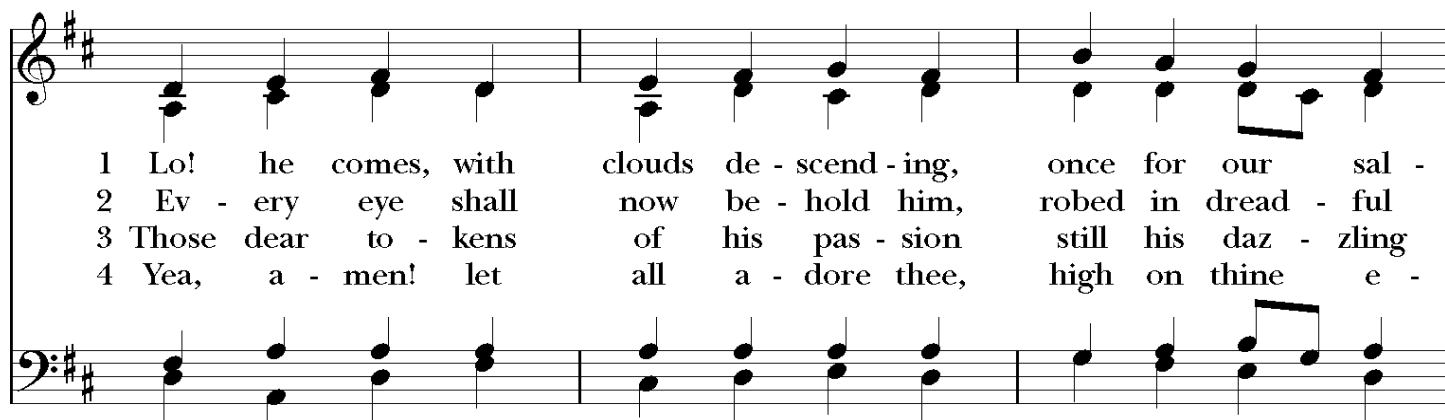
*Calls us to Worship*

# Lighting of the Advent Candle

## Hymn at the Processional

“Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending”

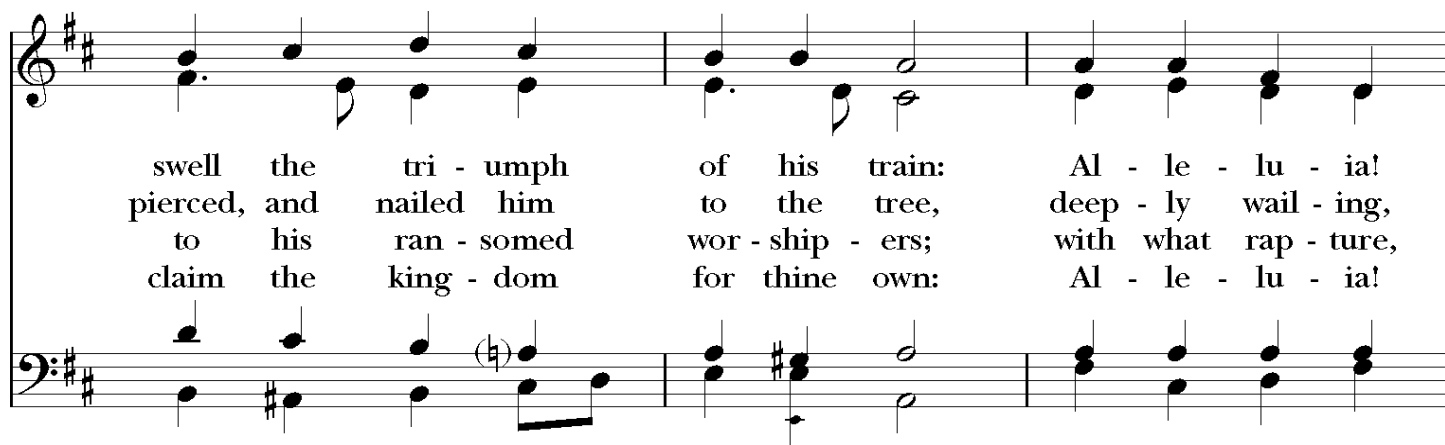
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1 Lo! he comes, with clouds de - scend - ing, once for our sal -  
2 Ev - ery eye shall now be - hold him, robed in dread - ful  
3 Those dear to - kens of his pas - sion still his daz - zling  
4 Yea, a - men! let all a - dore thee, high on thine e -



va - tion slain; thou - sand thou - sand saints at - tend - ing  
ma - jes - ty; those who set at nought and sold him,  
bo - dy bears, cause of end - less ex - ul - ta - tion  
ter - nal throne; Sa - vior, take the power and glo - ry;



swell the tri - umph of his train: Al - le - lu - ia!  
pierced, and nailed him to the tree, deep - ly wail - ing,  
to his ran - somed wor - ship - ers; with what rap - ture,  
claim the king - dom for thine own: Al - le - lu - ia!



Al - le - lu - ia! Christ the Lord re - turns to reign.  
deep - ly wail - ing, shall the true Mes - si - ah see.  
with what rap - ture gaze we on those glo - rious scars!  
Al - le - lu - ia! Thou shalt reign, and thou a - lone.

## The Acclamation

Celebrant      + Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People          And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

## Collect for Purity

BCP 355

Celebrant      Let us pray...

**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.**

People          Amen.

## Trisagion (repeat 3 times)

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Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,

The first system of music features a vocal line in G major with a treble clef and a piano accompaniment in G major with a bass clef. The vocal line has a melodic contour that rises and then falls. The piano accompaniment consists of chords and single notes.

Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.

The second system of music continues the vocal line and piano accompaniment. The vocal line has a similar melodic contour. The piano accompaniment continues with chords and single notes.

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

## Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

**People And also with you.**

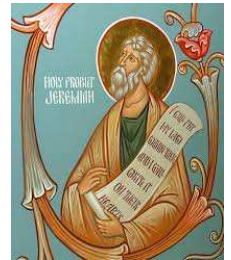
Celebrant Let us pray...

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**People Amen.**

## The First Reading

Jeremiah 33:14-16



Lector A reading from the Book of the Prophet Jeremiah, chapter 33, beginning at verse 14.

Lector The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness."

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

**People Thanks be to God.**

Lector The Psalm appointed for today is Psalm 25, beginning with verse 1, on page 614 in your Book of Common Prayer or in this morning's bulletin. I invite us to pray the Psalm responsively by half verse.

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.**

Let none who look to you be put to shame; \*

**let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.**

Show me your ways, O Lord, \*

**and teach me your paths.**

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.**

Remember, O Lord, your compassion and love, \*

**for they are from everlasting.**

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.**

Gracious and upright is the Lord; \*

**therefore he teaches sinners in his way.**

He guides the humble in doing right \*

**and teaches his way to the lowly.**

All the paths of the Lord are love and faithfulness \*

**to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.**

## The Second Reading

1 Thessalonians 3:9-13



Lector Our second reading this morning comes from Paul's letter to the Thessalonians, chapter 3, beginning with verse 9.

Lector How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith. Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

**People Thanks be to God!**

## The Gospel

Luke 21:25-36



Celebrant

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People

**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Celebrant

Jesus said, "There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in a cloud' with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."

Then he told them a parable: "Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

"Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man."

Celebrant

The Gospel of the Lord.

People

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Homily

Rt. Rev. Daniel Genovesi



Celebrant Let us say together the Nicene Creed found on pg. 358 of your Book of Common Prayer.

**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: 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 Leader and People pray responsively

Intercessor In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

*Silence*

Intercessor For all people in their daily life and work;

**People For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

Intercessor For this community, the nation, and the world;

**People For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

Intercessor For the just and proper use of your creation;

**People For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

Intercessor For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

**People For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

Intercessor For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

**People For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

Intercessor For Sean, our Presiding Bishop, for Cathleen our Diocesan Bishop; and for our Priest Daniel. For all bishops and other ministers; and for the Heartland Minster.

**People For all who serve God in the Church.**

Intercessor For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

*Pause so that the People may add their own petitions.*

*(Prayer List is on page 12.)*

Intercessor Hear us, Lord;

**People** For your mercy is great.

Intercessor We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.  
*Pause so that the People may add their own thanksgivings.*

Intercessor We will exalt you, O God our King;

**People** And praise your Name for ever and ever.

Intercessor We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in  
your eternal kingdom.

*Pause so that the People may add their own petitions.*

Intercessor Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

**People** Who put their trust in you

## **Confession**

Celebrant We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.  
*In silence, let us confess all known sin to God.*

## **Celebrant and People**

**Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;  
in your compassion forgive us our sins,  
known and unknown,  
Things done and left undone;  
and so uphold us by your Spirit  
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,  
to the honor and glory of your Name;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

## **Absolution**

Celebrant 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.

**People** Amen.

## The Peace

Having heard the Word of God, confessed the faith, prayed for the word, and repented of our sins, we now acknowledge the presence of Christ in each other by sharing the peace. Remember, if you are ill, a nod or bow is preferable to a handshake or hug. The celebrant invites the people to share the peace, saying:

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

## PRAYER LIST

**In the Anglican Communion:** We pray for the Episcopal Church of South Sudan.

**In the Kansas Cycle of Prayer:** We pray for St. Luke's, Shawnee.

**For Health & General Concerns:** Susan M., Simone, Virginia P., Fr. Matt, Ada, Kay D., Linda K., Dee P., Roger & Family, Kristi A., Gina A.

**For Our Shut-ins:** Marged A., Karen H., Bob & Anna B.

**Our Neighbors in the World:** Nancy Garcia's son-in-law, Jim Grant, and his Mission in Haiti.

**For Our Church:** Our Diocesan Bishop Cathleen Bascom & Staff;

**The Heartland Minster:** Trinity El Dorado: Fr. Les Jackson; St. Matthew's Newton: Fr. Richard Osborne (Interim) & Deacon Barbara Gipson; St. Andrew's Emporia: (soon to be) Rt. Rev. Daniel Genovesi.

## DECEMBER MILESTONES

### Birthdays

Dec. 1           Marged Amend  
Dec. 2           Millard Harrell

### Anniversaries

No anniversaries this week

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Join us after service for Coffee Hour in the Parish Hall.
- Due to the holiday break, Canterbury will not meet this evening. Canterbury will resume next Sunday.
- Bible study will meet this Friday, December 6th, at 8:30 a.m.
- We are putting together an updated directory. Please call or drop by the office and make sure Rae Ann has your current address and phone number and email address.
- We are currently taking Vestry member nominations, we have a few vestry members who will be finishing their terms of office. Think about serving and contact any vestry member if you would like to be nominated.
- Earlier this year, several members of St. Andrew's restored the city-owned Nativity, which will be installed tomorrow in front of the church.
- St. Andrew's Hospitality Table will be at the Christmas Parade this Tuesday, Dec. 3rd. We will start serving hot apple cider and cookies at 6:30 PM until we run out. We need 18 dozen cookies of any kind (no nuts or peanut butter) and 4 gallons of apple cider. Free will donations support Food for Students.
- St. Andrew's will host Christmarket this Friday at First Friday, Dec. 6th, 5:00-8:00 PM, and Dec. 7th, 11:00 AM-2:00 PM. Christmarket features 10 local artists and writers selling their creations in the Parish Hall and hallway to the sanctuary. The idea is based on Christmarkets in Europe and the United States. We need 30 dozen decorated Christmas tree sugar cookies or large decorated gingerbread men and women. Recipes are available. Cookies and German pretzels will be sold to raise funds for the FUMC School Supplies Project. Please plan to attend and bring friends and neighbors to create a successful event!
- The annual Christmas Serenade is on Dec. 9 at 7:00 PM followed by a reception in the Parish Hall. We need food and volunteers to support this popular community event. We will set up and decorate tables at 10:30 AM and set up reception food at 5:00 PM. Please bring food to the kitchen no later than 5:00 PM. We anticipate 80 people at the reception. Admission to the Christmas Serenade is free; donations will be accepted for Spartan Stop.
- Please text Susan Mai 620.794.3404 with your contributions of food and assistance for any or all of these last three events.

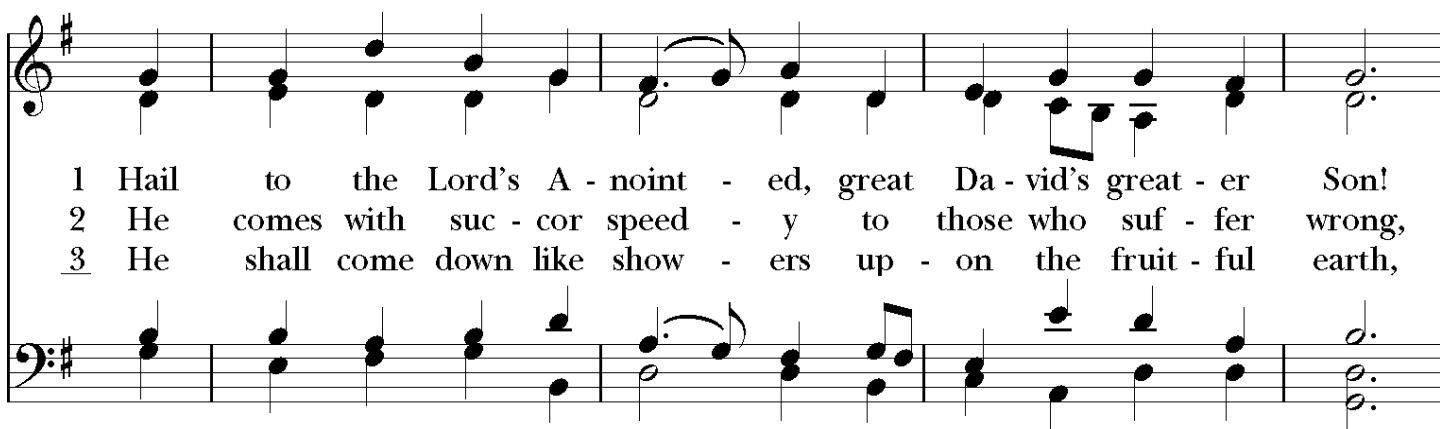
### **Offertory Sentence**

Celebrant        Be imitators of God and walk in love as Christ loved us  
and gave himself for us an offering and sacrifice to God.

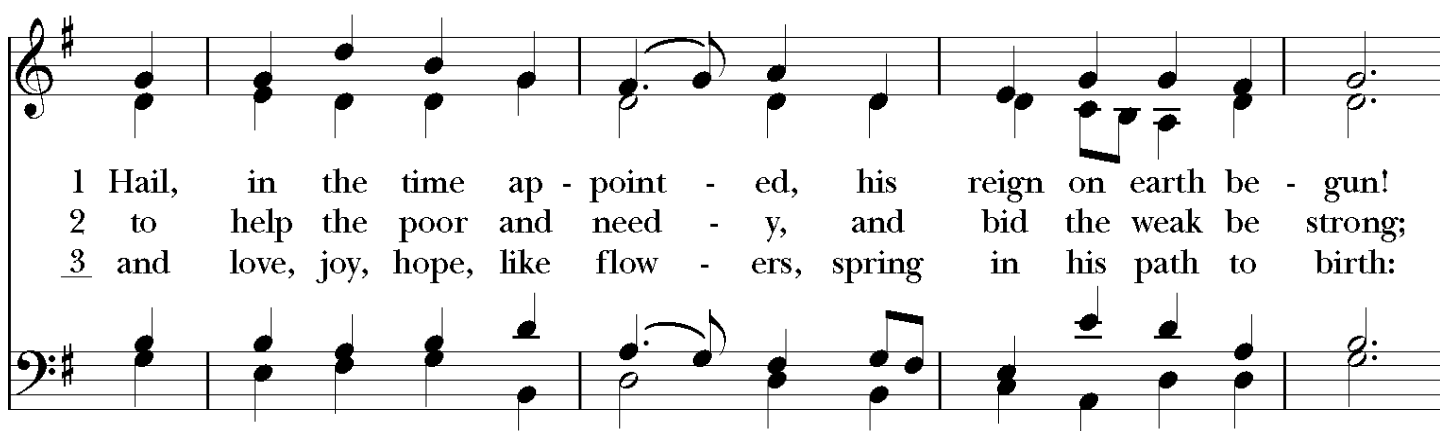
# Hymn at the Offertory

“Hail to the Lord's Anointed”

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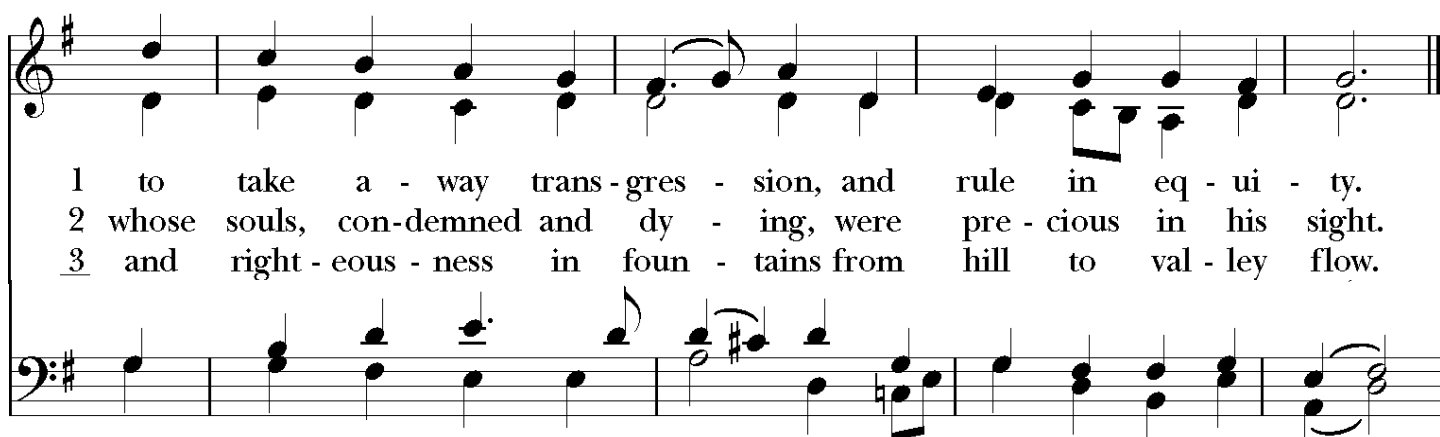
1 Hail to the Lord's A - noint - ed, great Da - vid's great - er Son!  
2 He comes with suc - cor speed - y to those who suf - fer wrong,  
3 He shall come down like show - ers up - on the fruit - ful earth,



1 Hail, in the time ap - point - ed, his reign on earth be - gun!  
2 to help the poor and need - y, and bid the weak be strong;  
3 and love, joy, hope, like flow - ers, spring in his path to birth:



1 He comes to break op - pres - sion, to set the cap - tive free;  
2 to give them songs for sigh - ing, their dark - ness turn to light,  
3 be - fore him on the moun - tains shall peace, the her - ald, go;



1 to take a - way trans - gres - sion, and rule in eq - ui - ty.  
2 whose souls, con - demned and dy - ing, were pre - cious in his sight.  
3 and right - eous - ness in foun - tains from hill to val - ley flow.

# THE LITURGY OF THE ALTAR

## Eucharist Prayer B

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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 God thanks and praise**

## Preface

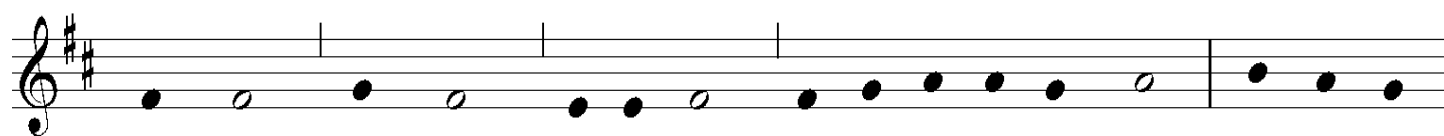
Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world.

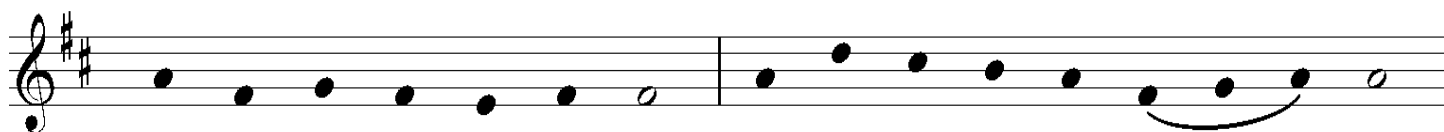
Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name.

**\*The Sanctus**

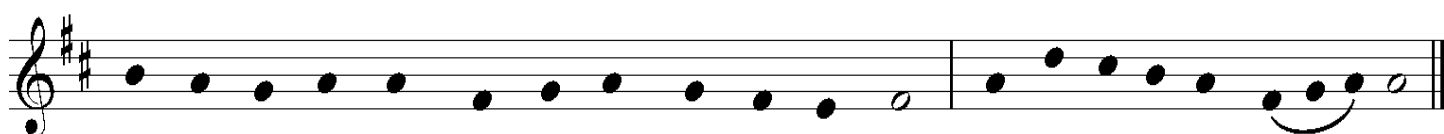
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Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might, hea-ven and



earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.



Celebrant We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

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."

### **The Memorial Acclamation**

Celebrant Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

**ALL We remember his death.**

**We proclaim his resurrection,**

**We await his coming in glory;**

Celebrant And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

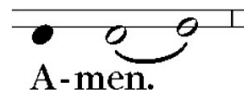
Celebrant

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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 forever.

## The Great Amen

The Priest may chant or say the conclusion of the prayer and the congregation responds



## The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant

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

**All**

**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

*Silence is kept*

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
People Therefore, let us keep the feast! Alleluia!

## Fraction Anthem

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Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:

give us your peace, give us your peace.

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the people of God.

## Reception of Holy Communion

Baptized Christians of any Christian tradition are welcome to receive Holy Communion at St. Andrew's. Unbaptized persons are also welcome to receive Communion but should be counseled and nurtured toward baptism as soon as possible. The Book of Common Prayer states that when we come to receive all that is "required that we should examine our lives, repent of sins and be in love and charity with all people."

If you wish to receive please come to the rail and stand or kneel. The Celebrant will place the sacred bread in the palm of your outstretched hands. If you wish to receive both the bread and the wine, please stand in front of the Eucharist Minister. The Celebrant will place the sacred bread into your outstretched hands. You may then intinct (dip) your bread into the chalice or you may now drink from the chalice after which the Eucharist Minister will wipe the chalice clean. Be advised that we use real wine. Whether you receive of one kind or of both, we believe that you have received a full communion.

Those who cannot at this time receive the Body and Blood of our Lord are invited to receive a blessing, simply cross your arms over your chest in an X and the Celebrant will offer you a blessing.

*We are happy to bring the elements to those in the pews who physically cannot come forward. Please signal the Celebrant, Eucharist Minister, or an Usher if you need this assistance.*

**Prayer after Communion**

Celebrant      Let us pray

**All**              **Almighty and everliving God,**  
**we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food**  
**of the most precious Body and Blood**  
**of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;**  
**and for assuring us in these holy mysteries**  
**that we are living members of the Body of your Son,**  
**and heirs of your eternal kingdom.**  
**And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have**  
**given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses**  
**of Christ our Lord.**  
**To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,**  
**be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

**Sending forth of Eucharistic Visitors**

Eucharistic Visitors take Holy Communion to members of our congregation who are unable to attend worship today. The priest hands the communion kit to the Eucharistic Visitor with this prayer:

Celebrant      In the name of this congregation, I 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 because we all share one Bread, one Cup.**

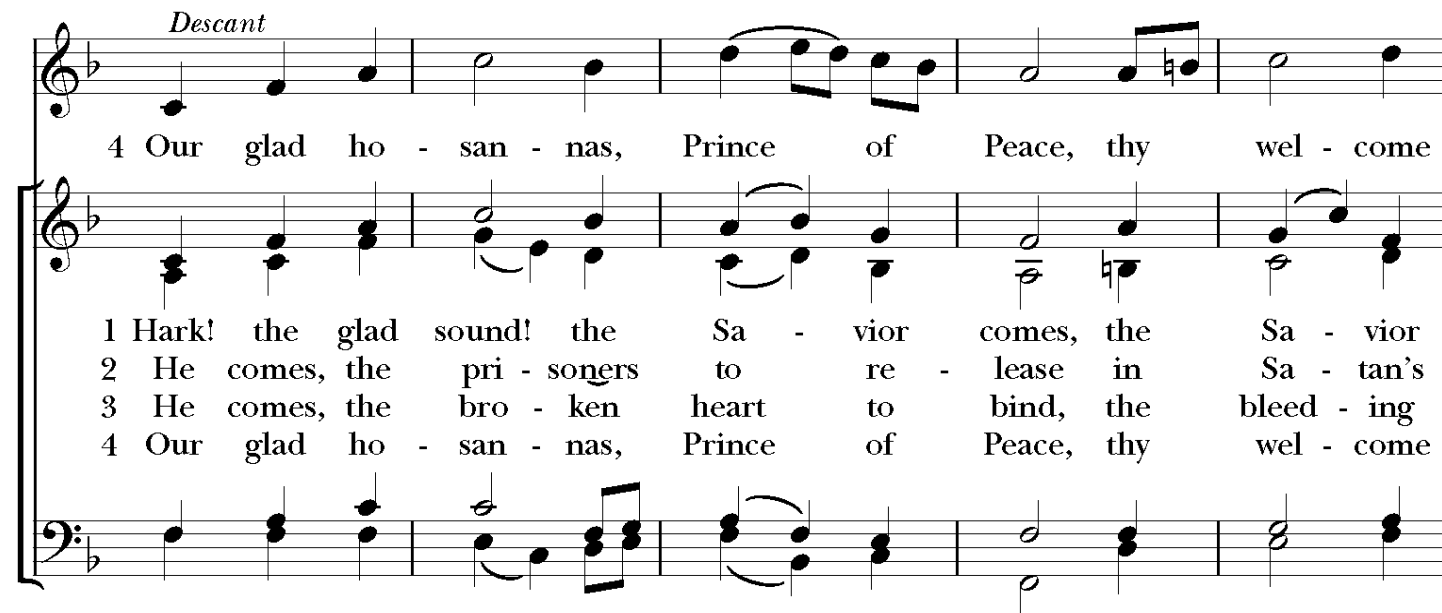
# The Blessing

## Concluding Hymn

“Hark! The Glad Sound”

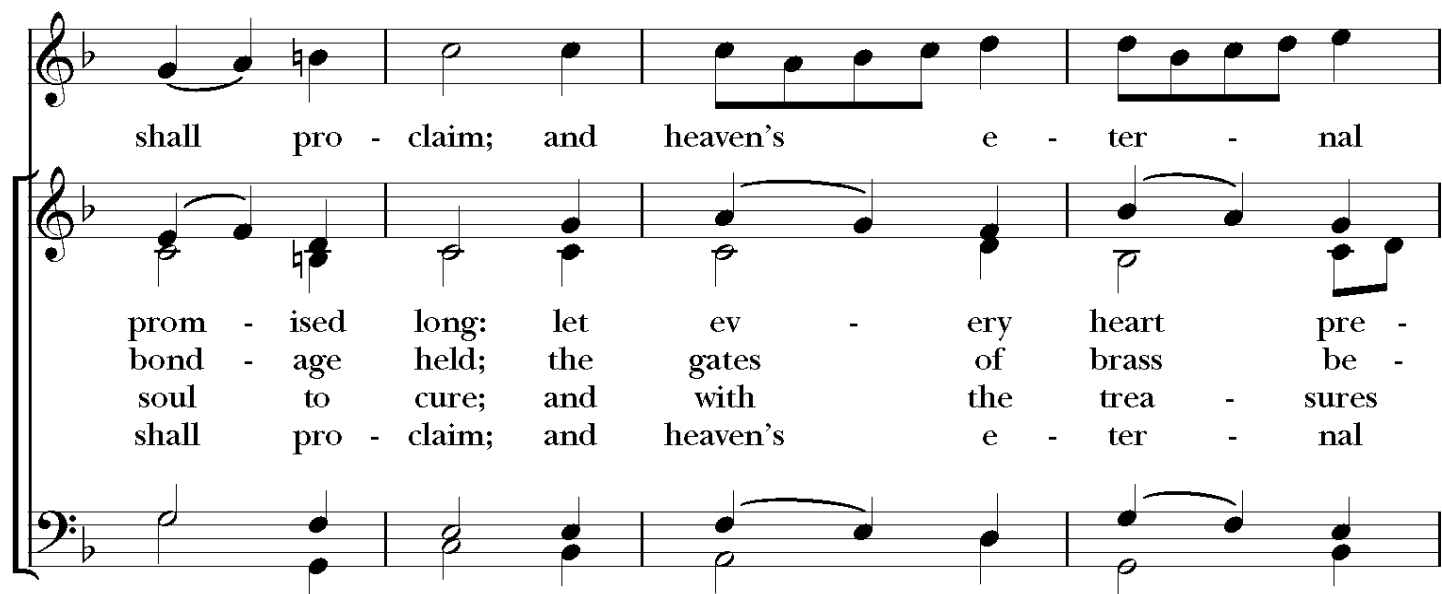
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*Descant*



4 Our glad ho - san - nas, Prince of Peace, thy wel - come

1 Hark! the glad sound! the Sa - vior comes, the Sa - vior  
2 He comes, the pri - soners to re - lease in Sa - tan's  
3 He comes, the bro - ken heart to bind, the bleed - ing  
4 Our glad ho - san - nas, Prince of Peace, thy wel - come

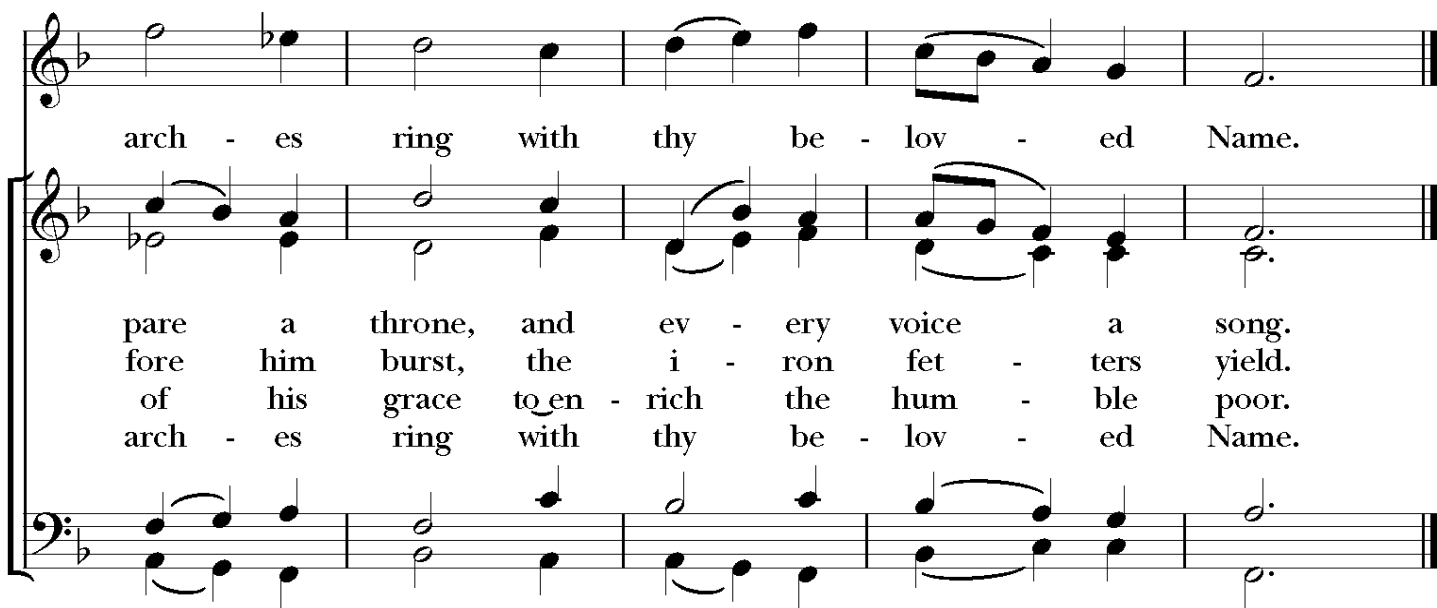


shall pro - claim; and heaven's e - ter - nal

prom - ised long: let ev - ery heart pre -  
bond - age held; the gates of brass be -  
soul to cure; and with the trea - sures  
shall pro - claim; and heaven's e - ter - nal

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## Concluding Hymn cont'd



arch - es ring with thy be - lov - ed Name.

pare a throne, and ev - ery voice a song.  
fore him burst, the i - ron fet - ters yield.  
of his grace to en - rich the hum - ble poor.  
arch - es ring with thy be - lov - ed Name.

## Dismissal

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God!**

## Postlude

"People Look East"

Grimoaldo Macchia