



The Season of Lent

The First Sunday in Lent

St. George's Church • Glenn Dale Parish
The Episcopal Diocese of Washington

February 22, 2026
A Service of Holy Eucharist

Welcome to St. George's! If you are new or visiting, we are especially glad to see you this morning, whether in person or virtually. This service booklet has the prayers and hymns needed for your participation in today's service. Wherever you are in your journey, know that you are welcome here.

Prelude: *Hail to the Brightness of Zion's*

Music: Edwin F. Parry

Opening Hymn: Hymnal 1982 #150 *Forty days and forty nights*

Words: George Hunt Smytten (1822-1870) Music: *Aus der Tiefe rufe ich* Martin Herbst (1654-1681) Hymns reprinted under OneLicense.net #A-701323

For - ty days and for - ty nights thou was fast - ing in the wild;
Should not we thy ser - vants share and from world - ly joys ab - stain,
Then if Sa - tan on us press, Je - sus, Sa - vior, hear our call!
So shall we have peace di - vine: ho - lier glad - ness ours shall be;
Keep, O keep us, Sa - vior dear, ev - er con - stant by thy side;

for - ty days and for - ty nights tempt - ed, and yet un - de - filed.
fast - ing with un - ceas - ing prayer, strong with thee to suf - fer pain?
Vic - tor in the wild - er - ness, grant we may not faint nor fall!
round us, too, shall an - gels shine, such as min - is - tered to thee.
that with thee we may ap - pear at the e - ter - nal Eas - ter - tide.

Celebrant: The good news of the gospel is this:

People: **manna in the desert, water turned into wine, love after loss,
forgiveness after pain.**

Celebrant: The good news of the gospel is this:

People: **release for the captive, hope for the hopeless, mourning turned to dancing,
and strangers turned to friends.**

Celebrant: This good news is here for you.

People: **Let us worship this good-news God.**

The Celebrant continues:

Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord our 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 other commandment greater than these."

Confession and Absolution

We come to the table of our Lord recognizing our need for divine grace.
In humility, let us confess our sins to God.

A time of silence is kept. Then, all pray together:

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.

Celebrant: May the God of Love and power forgive you and free you from your sins, heal and strengthen you by the Holy Spirit, and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Celebrant: Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One,

People: Have mercy upon us.

Kyrie: Hymnal 1982 S 100 *Holy God Trisagion*

Setting: From New Plainsong, David Hurd, (b. 1950). Hymns reprinted under OneLicense.net #A-701323



Ho - ly God, Ho-ly and Might-y, Ho-ly Im-mor - tal One, Have mer-cy up-on us.



Ho - ly God, Ho-ly and Might-y, Ho-ly Im-mor - tal One, Have mer-cy up-on us.



Ho - ly God, Ho-ly and Might-y, Ho-ly Im-mor - tal One, Have mer-cy up-on us.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray together the Collect of the Day:

Holy One, it is easy to see the mustard plant and forget to marvel at the seed. It is easy to taste good wine and not appreciate it. It is easy to miss the holy that is in our midst. So as we turn you today, we pray to you, surprise us. Speak to us. Move through us. Draw us closer to your good news, that we may follow your Son Jesus more faithfully, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

Genesis 2:15–17; 3:1–7

The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. And the Lord God commanded the man, “You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die.”

Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, “Did God say, ‘You shall not eat from any tree in the garden?’” The woman said to the serpent, “We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; but God said, ‘You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.’” But the serpent said to the woman, “You will not die; for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.” So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 32:6–11

Let all those that are faithful pray to you O God in time of trouble:

when great flood-water rises, it shall not come near them.

You are a place to hide me in, you will preserve me from trouble:

you will surround me with shouts of deliverance.

‘I will teach you, and guide you in the way you should go:

I will keep you under my eye and give you counsel.

‘Be not like horse or mule, which have no understanding:

whose course must be checked with bit and bridle.’

Many pains are in store for the wicked:

but whoever trusts in the Lord is surrounded by steadfast love.

Be glad you righteous, and rejoice in the Lord:

shout for joy all you that are upright in heart.

At the conclusion of the psalm, all say together

**Glory to God, Source of all being, Eternal Word, and Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Gospel Hymn: Hymnal 1982 #635 *If Thou but trust in God to guide thee*

Words and Music: George Neumark (1621-1681); tr Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878) Music: *Wer nur den lieben Gott* Reprinted under OneLicense.net #A-701323



If thou but trust in God to guide thee, and hope in him through all thy ways,
Sing, pray, and keep his ways un-swerv-ing; so do thine own part faith-ful - ly,



he'll give thee strength what - e'er be - tide thee, and bear thee through the e - vil days.
and trust his word, though un-de - serv-ing; thou yet shalt find it true for thee;



Who trusts in God's un-chang-ing love builds on a rock that nought can move.
God nev - er yet for-sook in need the soul that trust-ed him in - deed.

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

John 2:1-11

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to me and to you? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the person in charge of the banquet." So they took it. When the person in charge tasted the water that had become wine and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), that person called the bridegroom and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee and revealed his glory, and his disciples believed in him.

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you Lord Christ.**

Sermon: The Rev. Connie Reinhardt



The Creed: *We believe in God Creator*

Words: paraphrase of the *Apostles Creed*. Music: William Henry Monk (1823-1889) *Merton*



We be-lieve in God Cre - a - tor, God al - might - y, by whose plan
We be-lieve in Christ the Sav - ior, Son of God in hu - man frame,
Christ, who on the cross for - sa - ken, like a lamb to slaugh - ter led,
We be-lieve that Je - sus ris - en, did as - cend to reign in heaven
We be-lieve in God the Spir - it; in one Church, be - low, a - bove:
So by faith, our sins for - giv - en, Christ our Sav - ior, Lord and friend,



earth and heav - en sprang to be - ing, all cre - a - ted things be - gan.
vir - gin - born, the child of Mar - y up - on whom the Spir - it came.
suf - fered un - der Pon - tius Pi - late, he de - scend - ed to the dead.
side by side with the Cre - a - tor till as judge he comes a - gain.
saints of God in one com - mun - ion, one in ho - li - ness and love.
we shall rise with him in glo - ry to the life that knows no end.

The Prayers of the People

Holy and gracious God, we live in a world that seems to have run out of joy. The news is a rotating blur of heartache. Our hearts carry fear and grief, anxiety and loss. And yet we know that Jesus is good news of great joy. We lift up our hearts to you as we pray:

Please hold silence for each of these prayers

We pray for the concerns of our hearts, which we know are the concerns of God's heart.

We pray for those who are vulnerable, for those who are hungry, for immigrants and refugees, and for all who suffer.

We pray for those caught in violence and war.

We pray for those who struggle with illness or addiction.

We pray for those who need healing for their bodies, healing for their minds, healing for broken relationships, and we pray for all who mourn.

We offer our prayers to you, saying **Lord in your mercy, receive our prayer.**

Jesus of Nazareth, your love for this world is like a jar of perfume broken in a crowded room— it permeates everything it touches. Help us to love you and love our neighbors with the same extravagant abundance. We pray saying **Lord in your mercy, receive our prayer.**

Jesus, the face of inclusion, love and compassion. As you welcomed children as heirs of the reign of God and called for all to be welcomed at your banquet of love and justice, help us to be mindful of those who are overlooked, dismissed and rejected. **Lord in your mercy, receive our prayer.**

Jesus, in the face of hungry crowds, you looked at your disciples and said, “You give them something to eat.” Help us to see the ways you have equipped us to serve in this world full of people who are hungry - hungry for justice, hungry for companionship, hungry for reasons to hope. We pray saying **Lord in your mercy, receive our prayer.**

Jesus, as you spoke in the tradition of the prophets, teaching that true faithfulness to the law calls for mercy and justice, may we be mindful of injustice in our world, and emboldened to take courageous action. **Lord in your mercy, receive our prayer.**

Jesus, giver of abundant joy, you invite us to the feast and celebrate with us, showering your blessings upon us. And so we give thanks for all the blessings of our lives. **Lord in your mercy, receive our prayer.**

Holy God, when joy wears thin, remind us that you call us by name. When hope flickers, remind us that you hear our prayers. And when the weight of the world feels too heavy, remind us that the heart of the gospel really is good news. In your grace we pray. **Amen.**

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of Christ be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Blessings for Birthdays & Anniversaries

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servant(s) and anyone celebrating their birthday or anniversary this week as they begin 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.**

The Offertory

Do good works and share what you have, for these are the sacrifices pleasing to God.

Offertory Hymn: Hymnal 1982 #685 *Rock of Ages*

Words: Augustus Montague Toplady (1740-1778) Music: *Toplady*, Thomas Hastings (1784-1872) Hymns reprinted under OneLicense.net #A-701323



Rock of a - ges, cleft for me, let me hide my - self in thee;
Should my tears for ev - er flow, should my zeal no lan-guor know,
While I draw this fleet-ing breath, when mine eye - lids close in death,
let the wa - ter and the blood from thy wound - ed side that flowed,
all for sin could not a - tone: thou must save, and thou a - lone;
when I rise to worlds un-known and be - hold thee on thy throne,
be of sin the dou-ble cure, cleanse me from its guilt and power.
in my hand no price I bring, sim - ply to thy cross I cling.
Rock of a - ges, cleft for me, let me hide my - self in thee.

Although St. George's no longer physically "passes the basket" everyone is invited and encouraged to make a financial offering to express your gratitude to God for the gifts we are given and in support of our mission and ministries. Baskets for donations by check or cash are located at the corner entrances to the Sanctuary. We encourage you to give electronically: you can text* stgeodragon to 73256, use a web browser to go to onrealm.org/StGeorgesChurch/give, or donate via Zelle to donations@stgeorgesglennedale.org. (*For texts, message and data rates may apply. Message frequency varies. Text HELP to 73256 for help. Text STOP to 73256 to cancel.)

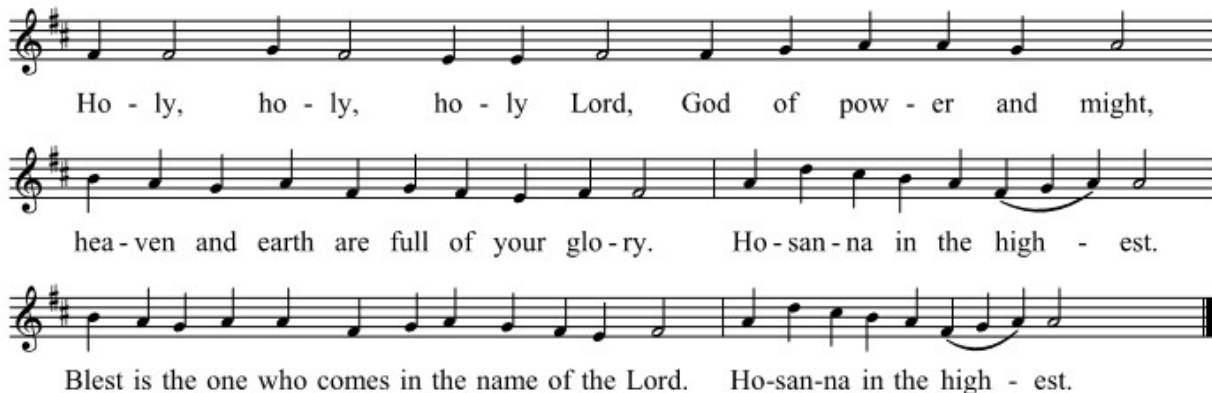
The Great Thanksgiving

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.**

It is indeed right and good to give you thanks, Almighty God, through Jesus Christ your Son. For in these forty days you lead us into the desert of repentance, that through a pilgrimage of prayer and discipline, we may grow in grace and learn to be your people once again. Through fasting, prayer, and acts of service you bring us back to your generous heart. Through study of your holy word you open our eyes to your presence in the world and free our hands to welcome others. As we prepare to celebrate the Easter feast with joyful hearts and minds, we bless you for your mercy, and join with saints and angels, evermore praising you and singing:

Holy, holy, holy Lord Sanctus

Setting: David Hurd (b. 1950) Hymnal 1982 #S 124. Reprinted under OneLicense.net #A-701323



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.
Blest is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The Celebrant continues:

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation.

Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. 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.

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world.

Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons and all your children, that with your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant: And now let us pray with confidence the words our Savior has taught us:

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come,

your will be done on earth as it is 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.

The Breaking of the Bread

The bread is broken. After a time of silence, all sing together

Fraction Anthem: *O Lamb of God S #158*

Setting: From *Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena*, Healy Willan (1880-1968). Hymns reprinted under OneLicense.net #A-701323



O Lamb of God, that ta-kest a - way the sins of the world, have mer-cy up - on us.

O Lamb of God, that ta-kest a - way the sins of the world, have mer-cy up - on us.

O Lamb of God, that ta-kest a - way the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

Celebrant: Mindful that not all are present physically to receive the sacrament, we pray with those who receive spiritual Holy Communion this day:

Lord Jesus, in union with your faithful people, we offer to you our praise and thanks. Since we cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, we pray that you come spiritually into our hearts. Strengthen us with your grace, O Lord, and let us never be separated from you. May we live in you, and you in us, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ lived, died, and rose again for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The Communion

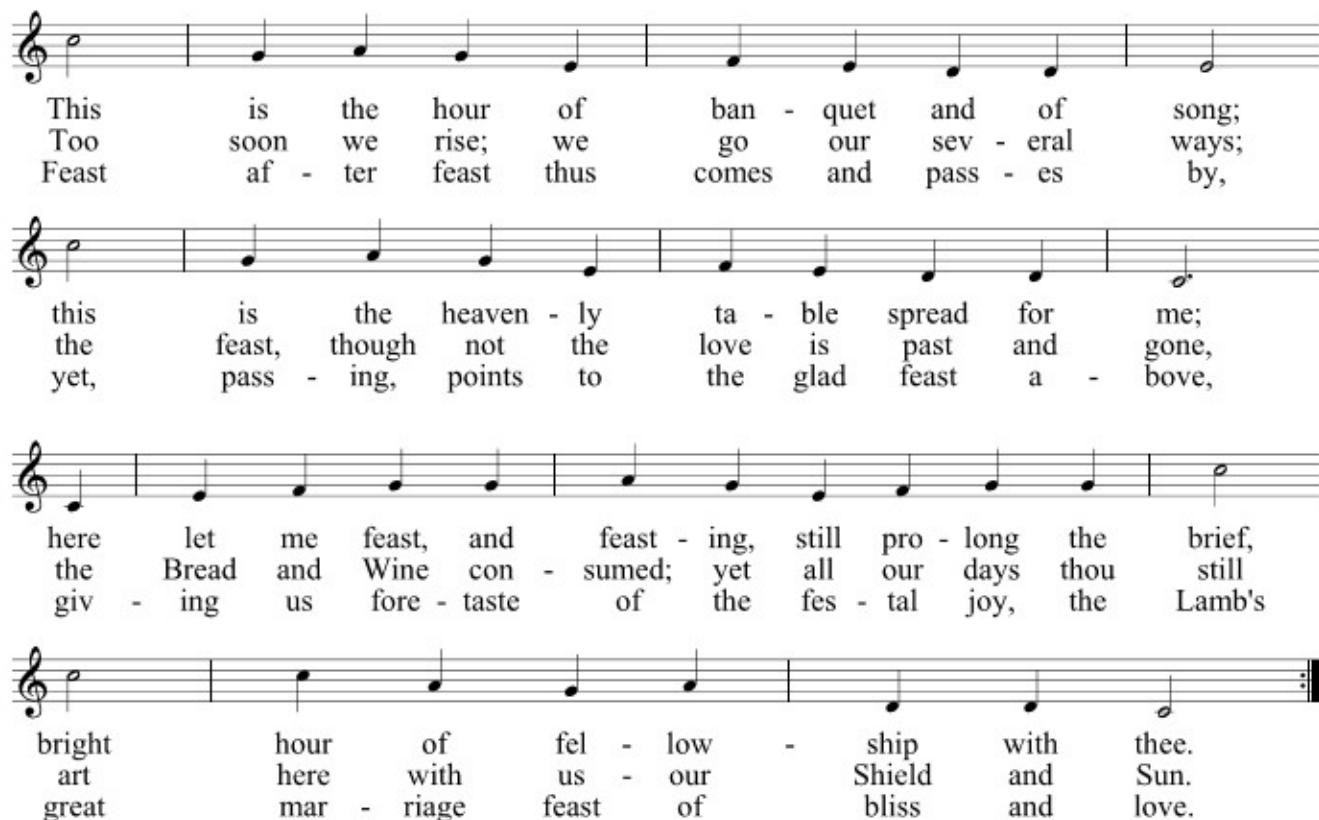
Wherever you are on your journey, whatever you believe or don't believe, know that you are welcome at this table. For this is Christ's table, and all are welcome.

If you would prefer not to receive the Eucharist, you are welcome to come up for a blessing; cross your hands to your shoulders to indicate this to the priest.



Communion Hymn 1: Hymnal 1982 #316 *This is the hour of banquet and of song*

Words: Horatius Bonar (1808-1889) Music: *Canticum refectiois* David McKinley Williams (1887-1978) Hymns reprinted under OneLicense.net #A-701323




This is the hour of ban - quet and of song;
 Too soon we rise; we go our sev - eral ways;
 Feast af - ter feast thus comes and pass - es by,
 this is the heaven - ly ta - ble spread for me;
 the feast, though not the love is past and gone,
 yet, pass - ing, points to the glad feast a - bove,
 here let me feast, and feast - ing, still pro - long the brief,
 the Bread and Wine con - sumed; yet all our days thou still
 giv - ing us fore - taste of the fes - tal joy, the Lamb's
 bright hour of fel - low - ship with thee.
 art here with us - our Shield and Sun.
 great mar - riage feast of bliss and love.



Communion Hymn 2: LEVAS #70 *I Want Jesus to Walk with Me*

Words: Traditional. Music: Negro Spiritual arranged by Carl Haywood (b. 1949) from *The Haywood Collection of Negro Spirituals* © 1992
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I want Je - sus to walk with me; I want Je - sus to walk with me;
 In my tri - als, Lord, walk with me; In my tri - als, Lord, walk with me;
 In my sor - rows, Lord, walk with me; In my sor - rows, Lord, walk with me;
 All a long my pil - grim jour - ney, Lord, I want Je - sus to walk with me.
 When the shades of life are fall - ing, Lord, I want Je - sus to walk with me.
 When my heart with - in is ach - ing, Lord, I want Je - sus to walk with me.

Communion Hymn 3: Hymnal 1982 #664 *My Shepherd will supply my need*

Words; Isaac Watts (1674-1748) Music: *Resignation*, American folk melody. Hymns reprinted under OneLicense.net #A-701323



My Shep - herd will sup - ply my needs, Je - ho - vah is his Name;
When I walk through the shades of death, thy pres - ence is my stay;
The sure pro - vi - sions of my God at - tend me all my days;



in pas - tures fresh he makes me feed be - side the liv - ing stream.
one word of thy sup - port - ing breath drives all my fears a - way.
oh, may thy house be mine a - bode and all my work be praise.



He brings my wan - dering spi - rit back when I for - sake his ways,
Thy hand, in sight of all my foes, doth still my ta - ble spread;
There would I find a set - tled rest, while o - thers go and come;



and leads me for his mer - cy's sake, in paths of truth and grace.
my cup with bless - ings o - ver - flows, thy oil a - noints my head.
no more a stran - ger or a guest, but like a child at home.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Celebrant: Let us pray: **God of grace and light, we thank you for nourishing us at this table with your Word, who is the bread of life: As we go forth into the world, we ask you to fill us with your Holy Spirit, that through us the light of your glory may shine in all the world, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Announcements

The Blessing

As you leave this place, when you meet anger, speak with love.

When you meet fear, speak with hope.

When you meet pain, speak with gentleness.

But no matter what, speak this good news.

For the good news of the gospel is love and justice for all.

It is joy that surprises, and nonviolence that transforms.

May you go forth knowing that the good news of the gospel is alive in the world, and may the blessing of God who creates, redeems and sustains you be with you now and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Dismissal Hymn: LEVAS # 29 *Near the Cross*

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Je - sus, keep me near the cross, there's a pre - cious foun - tain;
Near the cross, a trem - bling soul, love and mer - cy found me;
Near the cross! O Lamb of God, bring its scenes be - fore me;
Near the cross, I'll watch and wait, hop - ing, trust - ing ev - er,



Free to all, a heal - ing stream flows from Cal - v'ry's moun - tain.
There the Bright and Morn - ing Star sheds its beams a - round me.
Help me walk from day to day with its shad - ows o'er me.
Till I reach the gold - en strand just be - yond the riv - er.



In the cross, in the cross be my glo - ry ev - er;



Till my rap - tured soul shall find rest be - yond the riv - er.

The Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us go forth in the Light of Christ.

People: Thanks be to God!

Postlude: *Prelude in C Minor*

Music: Fryderyk Chopin