



The Twenty-Second Sunday  
after Pentecost  
St. George's Church  
Glenn Dale Parish  
The Episcopal Diocese of Washington  
October 29, 2023

**Opening Hymn: Hymnal 1982 #381 *Thy strong word did cleave the darkness***

(Verses 1-3) Words: Martin H. Franzman (1907-1976). Music: *Ton-y-Botel*, Thomas John Williams (1869-1944)

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Thy strong word did cleave the dark-ness; at thy speak-ing it was done;  
Lo, on those who dwell in dark-ness, dark as night and deep as death,  
Thy strong word be-speaks us right-eous; bright with thine own hol-i-ness,



for cre-a-ted light we thank thee, while thine or-dered sea-sons run:  
broke the light of thy sal-va-tion breathed thine own life-giv-ing breath:  
glo-rious now, we press toward glo-ry and our lives our hopes con-fess:



Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia! Praise to thee who light dost send!  
Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia! Praise to thee who light dost send!  
Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia! Praise to thee who light dost send!



Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia with-out end!  
Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia with-out end!  
Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia with-out end!

**Celebrant:** We enter into your presence O Holy One, we who hunger for life:  
**People:** For it is you O God who nourishes us at the table of grace.  
**Celebrant:** Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.  
**People:** Glory to God for ever and ever.

*All pray together the Collect for Purity: 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.*

**Gloria: A Song of Praise Wonder, Love, and Praise #886** (Sung 3 times)

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Glo-ry to you, O Lord, glo-ry to you, O Lord, you are wor-thy of praise.

**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: **Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.**

**Prayer for Peace in the Middle East**

God of peace, we pray for the people of Israel, Palestine and Gaza in this heartbreaking and dangerous time. We pray for all who are in harm's way and for all who are fearful for the safety of their loved ones and themselves. For all who are wounded, we pray they find healing; for all who have died, we pray they find rest; for all who grieve, we pray they find comfort; for leaders of nations and peoples, we pray for wisdom, discernment, and acknowledgement of our common humanity. God of mercy and justice, we pray that your beloved children of the Holy Land will be spared a future of sustained violence and unrest and that a recognition of the humanity of all people will prevail. We ask all this in the name of your Son, Jesus. Amen.

*The people may be seated*

**Leviticus 19:1-2,15-18**

The LORD spoke to Moses, saying: Speak to all the congregation of the people of Israel and say to them: You shall be holy, for I the LORD your God am holy. You shall not render an unjust judgment; you shall not be partial to the poor or defer to the great: with justice you shall judge your neighbor. You shall not go around as a slanderer among your people, and you shall not profit by the blood of your neighbor: I am the LORD. You shall not hate in your heart anyone of your kin; you shall reprove your neighbor, or you will incur guilt yourself. You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against any of your people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the LORD.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's People. **People: Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17**

Lord, you have been our refuge  
**from one generation to another.**

Before the mountains were brought forth, or the land and the earth were born,  
**from age to age you are God.**

You turn us back to the dust and say,  
**"Go back, O child of earth."**

For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past  
**and like a watch in the night.**

You sweep us away like a dream;  
**we fade away suddenly like the grass.**

In the morning it is green and flourishes;  
**in the evening it is dried up and withered.**

Return, O LORD; how long will you tarry?  
**be gracious to your servants.**

Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning;  
**so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.**

Make us glad by the measure of the days that you afflicted us  
**and the years in which we suffered adversity.**

Show your servants your works  
**and your splendor to their children.**

May the graciousness of the LORD our God be upon us; prosper the work of our hands;  
**prosper our handiwork.**

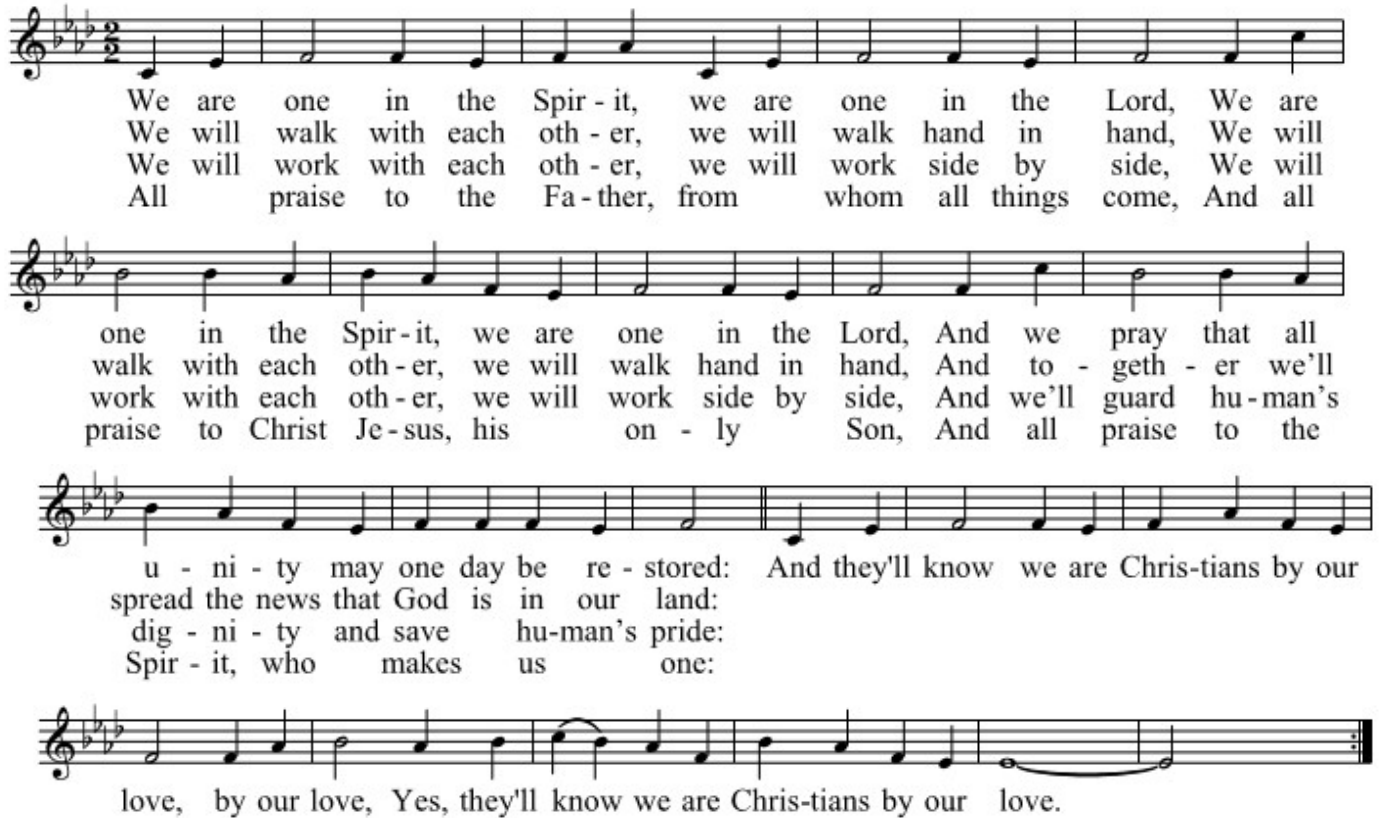
*At the conclusion of the psalm, all say together*

**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 Gather #533 *They'll know We Are Christians*

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The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of four staves of music, each with a treble clef and a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff has four lines of lyrics. The second staff has four lines. The third staff has four lines. The fourth staff has one line. The lyrics are: "We are one in the Spir - it, we are one in the Lord, We are We will walk with each oth - er, we will walk hand in hand, We will We will work with each oth - er, we will work side by side, We will All praise to the Fa - ther, from whom all things come, And all one in the Spir - it, we are one in the Lord, And we pray that all walk with each oth - er, we will walk hand in hand, And to - geth - er we'll work with each oth - er, we will work side by side, And we'll guard hu - man's praise to Christ Je - sus, his on - ly Son, And all praise to the u - ni - ty may one day be re - stored: And they'll know we are Chris - tians by our spread the news that God is in our land: dig - ni - ty and save hu - man's pride: Spir - it, who makes us one: love, by our love, Yes, they'll know we are Chris - tians by our love."

*Celebrant* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

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

### **Matthew 22:34-46**

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" He said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets." Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: "What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?" They said to him, "The son of David." He said to them, "How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying,

"The Lord said to my Lord,

"Sit at my right hand, until I put your enemies under your feet"?"

If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?" No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

*Celebrant:* The Gospel of the Lord. **People:** **Praise to you Lord Christ.**

## The Sermon: The Rev. Connie Reinhardt

### The Creed *We Believe in God Our Creator*

Words: Nicene Creed para. Terry Doyle, TSSF. Music: 17<sup>th</sup> Century French Carol, *Picardy*;

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We be - lieve in God our Cre - a - tor, mak - ing ev - 'ry u - ni - verse,  
We be - lieve in Christ our Re - deem - er, God from God and love from love,  
Christ now con - quers death on the third day, and as - cends to God's holy throne,  
We be - lieve in God's Ho - ly Spi - rit, Breath of life sus - tain - ing Earth.  
We are sim - ple, bro - ken peo - ple, gath - ered in one church and made whole.



who was and will be for - e - ver, source of all that live and breathe.  
one in be - ing with the Cre - a - tor, and the Spir - it three in one.  
God tri - une now rules for all time as the course of stars will run.  
For the Spir - it groans in la - bor as cre - a - tion gives new birth.  
One with seek - ers, saints, and sin - ners, bap - tized in God's mer - cy and love.



All things vis - i - ble, and all that is un - seen come to be through God the One.  
Je - sus born of Ma - ry from the Spir - it formed, shared our flesh and died our death.  
Christ now comes a - gain as judge of all on Earth, re - con - cil - ing all to God.  
And God's Spir - it now re - news all life on Earth, in God's end - less flow - ing love.  
As God's lov - ing kind - ness knows no hu - man bounds, be - yond death we're raised to new life.

### Prayers of the People

Grateful for the gifts we have already been given, we now bring our hopes and needs into the presence of our provident God, saying: **Lord, in your mercy, receive our prayer.**

We pray for our church, for Michael our Presiding Bishop, Mariann our Bishop, Connie our rector, and for this congregation St. George's. May we all hunger for the bread of life, that we be transformed into the body of Christ. We pray, saying **Lord, in your mercy, receive our prayer.**

We pray that all people be nourished as they journey in faith through life; may we accompany each other in a spirit of compassion. We pray, saying **Lord, in your mercy, receive our prayer.**

We pray for those who lead in our country and in the world. May they work for justice rather than power and act for the good of those they are called to serve. We pray, saying **Lord, in your mercy, receive our prayer.**

We pray for those who are hungry, especially for the families of Gaywood Elementary School, the guests of the Warm Nights program, and those served by the Bowie Food Pantry, that all who are hungry may be fed. We pray, saying **Lord, in your mercy, receive our prayer.**

We pray for those who are sick, for those who are suffering, for all those who are in need of our healing prayers. We pray especially for those on our parish prayer list, and for those we name before you now. *The people may add their own petitions.* We pray, saying **Lord, in your mercy, receive our prayer.**

We pray for those who have died, knowing that God is doing more for them than we could ask or imagine. *The people may add their own petitions.* We pray, saying **Lord, in your mercy, receive our prayer.**

We pray for those marking birthdays and anniversaries, and for other blessings of this life, that we may live in gratitude to God for all that we have and all that we celebrate. We pray, saying **Lord, in your mercy, receive our prayer.**

All-generous God, hear these prayers made in faith and hope, that we may put our trust in you and your love for us, today and always. **Amen.**

### **Confession and Absolution**

*Celebrant:* Now let us confess our sins to God.

*After a time of silence, all pray together:* **Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us to amend what we are, and direct what we shall be; that we may do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.**

*Celebrant* The almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon and forgiveness of all your sins, the will for amendment of life, and the grace and strength of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

### **The Peace**

*Celebrant:* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People:** **And also with you.**

### **Blessings for Birthdays & Anniversaries**

*The celebrant then offers the following prayer for those celebrating birthdays and 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.

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. We encourage you to give electronically wherever possible; you can text stgeodragon to 72356. (Messages and data rates may apply. Message frequency varies. Text HELP to 73256 for help. Text STOP to 73256 to cancel.) Or just use your web browser to go to [www.onrealm.org/StGeorgesChurch/Give](http://www.onrealm.org/StGeorgesChurch/Give). You may also donate via Zelle to [donations@stgeorgesglennedale.org](mailto:donations@stgeorgesglennedale.org) or use Cash App to send your donation to \$StGeorgesGlennDale

## Offertory Hymn Hymnal 1982 #439 What Wondrous Love is This

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What won - drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul! What  
To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing, to  
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on, and

won - drous love is this, O my soul! What won - drous love is  
God and to the Lamb, I will sing. To God and to the  
when from death I'm free, I'll sing on. And when from death I'm

this that caused the Lord of bliss to lay a - side his crown for my  
Lamb who is the great I AM, while mil - lions join the theme, I will  
free, I'll sing and joy - ful be, and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing

soul, for my soul, to lay a - side his crown for my soul.  
sing, I will sing, while mil - lions join the theme, I will sing.  
on, I'll sing on, and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing on.

## 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 right to give unceasing thanks and boundless praise to you, Holy God, ruler of the universe and giver of life. You brought the world into being and declared it good; you made humankind in your image, and entrusted to us the stewardship of all creation.

Despite our failings you showed us mercy. Through your law and the voices of prophets and poets, you called us to faithfulness and justice. You commanded us to remember the poor and the needy, the orphan and the stranger. With infinite generosity you forgave us as we followed selfish goals and ignored your words of love. Never abandoning us to our sinfulness, you came among us and showed us the path of life.

Therefore we praise you, joining the saints and angels in proclaiming your glory, as we sing:

**Sanctus: *Santo, Santo, Santo Wonder, Love and Praise #785***

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Music: Unknown composer

San - to, san - to, san - to, mi cor - a - zón te a - do ra! Mi  
In God's name is com-ing the One whom we call bles-sed. Ho-

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cor - a - zón te sa - be de - cir: "San - to e - res Se - ñor."  
san - na in the high - - - est. Praise and thanks to God.

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Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. Your word of peace has been active from the beginning; your justice has sought incarnation in every age. In the fullness of time you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive your Son through the power of your Holy Spirit.

Expecting his birth she sang of your purpose: The mighty shall be cast down and the humble lifted up; the promise of mercy to Abraham and Sarah and all their children shall be fulfilled in the birth of Jesus, the Prince of Peace.

**Glory to you, holy and living God. Righteousness and justice are the foundations of your throne; love and faithfulness go before you.**

Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He pronounced the blessedness of peacemakers, all those who are willing to seek first your Kingdom and your righteousness. Jesus yearned to draw all the world to himself, yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. We returned violence for his friendship, crucifixion for his self-offering. Yet even this you turned to blessing, and transformed his unjust death into the means of salvation.



**Glory to you, holy and living God. Righteousness and justice are the foundations of your throne; love and faithfulness go before you.**

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 sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Accept, O Lord, our sacrifice of praise, this memorial of our redemption. Send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts. Let them be for us the Body and Blood of your Son. Send your Spirit upon us also, and grant that we who eat this bread and drink this cup may be filled with your life and goodness. Through the abiding presence of Christ, empower us to live the gospel of peace and bring reconciliation to the world in his Name.

**Glory to you, holy and living God. Righteousness and justice are the foundations of your throne; love and faithfulness go before you.**

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 God, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

*Celebrant:* The Risen Christ is in our midst, and so with Christ we pray:

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

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

### **Fraction Anthem: Gather #247 May We Be One**

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When we eat this bread and drink this cup we pro-claim your death, Lord Je - sus.



So as we share this feast may we be come, heal-ing and light and peace. May we be one.

*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 like to receive a blessing rather than the bread and wine, please indicate this to the Celebrant by crossing your arms in front of your chest.*

### **Communion Hymn 1: LEVAS #149 In Remembrance of Me**

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In re - mem-brance of me, eat this bread. In re-mem-brance of me, drink this wine.  
mem-brance of me, heal the sick. In re-mem-brance of me, feed the poor.



In re-mem-brance of me, pray for the time when God's own will is done in re-  
In re-mem-brance of me, o - pen the door and let the oth-ers

in Let them in. Take, eat, and be com-fort-ed; drink and re - mem-ber too That  
 this is my bod-y and prec-ious blood shed for you, shed for you. In re-mem-brance of me  
 search for truth. In re-mem-brance of me al-ways love. In re-mem-brance of me,  
 don't look a-bove, but in your heart look for God. Do this in re-mem-brance of me.



### Communion Hymn 2: LEVAS #158 *Make Me a Blessing*

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Out in the high-ways and by - ways of life, Man - y are wear - y and sad;  
 Tell the sweet sto - ry of Christ and His love, Tell of his power to for - give;  
 Give as 'twas giv - en to you in your need, Love as the Mas - ter loved you;

Car - ry the sun - shine where dark - ness is rife, Mak - ing the sor - row - ing glad.  
 Oth - ers will trust Him if on - ly you prove True ev - ery mo - mentr you live.  
 Be to the help - less a help - er in - deed, Un - to your mis - sion be true.

**Refrain**

Make me a bless - ing, Make me a bless - ing, Out of my life may Je - sus shine;  
 Make me a bless - ing, O Sav - ior, I pray, Make me a bless - ing to some - one to - day.

## Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Celebrant* Let us pray: **Holy and Gracious One, with joy we offer thanksgiving for your love as we have experienced it sharing Christ's body in fellowship around this table. As we go forth into the world you have made, we pray that you move our hearts to be generous and wise stewards of the good things we enjoy; through Jesus Christ, the Lord of all creation. Amen.**

## Announcements

## The Blessing

*Celebrant:* May God, who is the source of all goodness and growth, pour out blessings upon all creation, and upon us God's people, that we may use the gifts God has given us to do justice and bring peace. And may the blessing of God who created us, Christ Jesus who brings us new life, and the Holy Spirit who guides and sustains us, be with you now and remain with you always. **Amen.**

## Dismissal Hymn: Hymnal 1982 #450 All hail the power of Jesus' Name verses 1-3, 6

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All hail the power of Je - sus' Name! Let an - gels pros - trate fall;  
Crown him ye mar - tyrs of our God, who from his al - tar call:  
Hail him the Heir of Da - vid's line, whom Da - vid Lord did call,  
Let ev - ery kin - dred, ev - ery tribe on this ter - res - tial ball,



bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem, and crown him Lord of all!  
praise him whose way of pain ye trod, and crown him Lord of all!  
the God in - car - nate, Man di - vine, and crown him Lord of all!  
to him all maj - es - ty a - scribe, and crown him Lord of all!



bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem, and crown him Lord of all!  
praise him whose way of pain ye trod, and crown him Lord of all!  
the God in - car - nate, Man di - vine, and crown him Lord of all!  
to him all maj - es - ty a - scribe, and crown him Lord of all!

## The Dismissal

*Celebrant:* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord

**People: Thanks be to God!**