

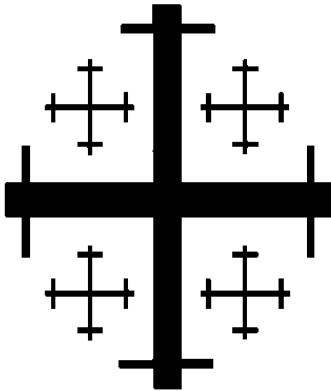
Epiphany IV

1 February 2026

8 & 11 am



The Liturgy at Calvary



Who are the blessed ones of God? For Micah, they are those who do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with God. For Paul, they are the ones who find wisdom in the weakness of the cross. For Jesus, they are the poor, the meek, the merciful, the pure in heart, the peacemakers, those who mourn, and those who hunger for righteousness. In baptism we find our blessed identity and calling in this countercultural way of living and serving.

Prelude Duo Elizabeth von Herzogenberg (1847-1892)

Please stand and face the Baptismal Font

Confession & Absolution

P In the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom 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 Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P Most merciful God,

C we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

P God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of ✠ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

C Amen.

Entrance Hymn *For All the Faithful Women* (ELW 419)



1 For all the faith - ful wom - en who served in days of old,
2 O God, for saints and ser - vants, those named and those un-known,
3 in praise to God the Fa - ther! All praise to Christ the Son!



to you shall thanks be giv - en; to all, their stor - y told.
O whom through all the a - ges your light of glo - ry shone,
All praise to God the Spir - it, who binds the church as one!



They served with strength and glad - ness in tasks your wis - dom gave.
we of - fer glad thanks - giv - ing and fer - vent prayer we raise
With saints who went be - fore us, with saints who wit - ness still,



To you their lives bore wit - ness, pro-claimed your pow'r to save.
that, faith - ful in your ser - vice, our lives may sing your praise.
we sing glad al - le - lu - ias and strive to do your will.

Text: Herman G. Stuempfle Jr., 1923–2007

Music: KUORTANE, Finnish folk tune

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Apostolic Greeting

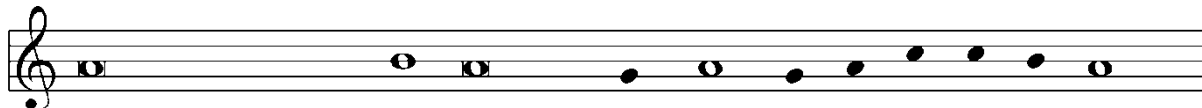
P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, ✠ the love of God, and
the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C **And also with you.**

Kyrie Eleison [Greek, Lord Have Mercy]



A In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **G** Lord, have mer - cy.



A For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal-vation, let us pray to the Lord.



G Lord, have mer - cy.



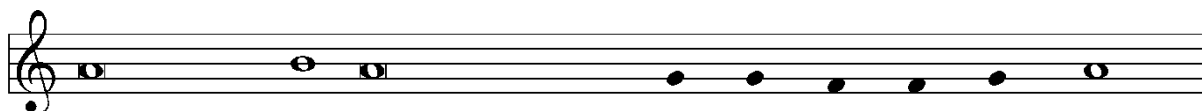
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



G Lord, have mer - cy.



A For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor - ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **G** Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra-cious Lord. **G** A - men

Canticle Of Praise



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



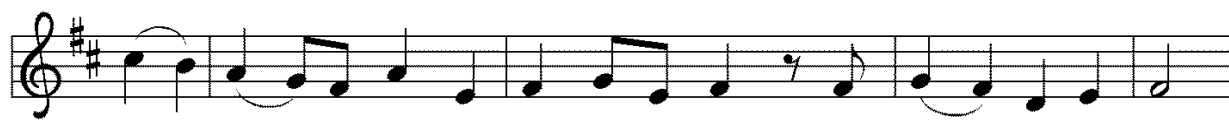
Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al - might-y God and Fa - ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



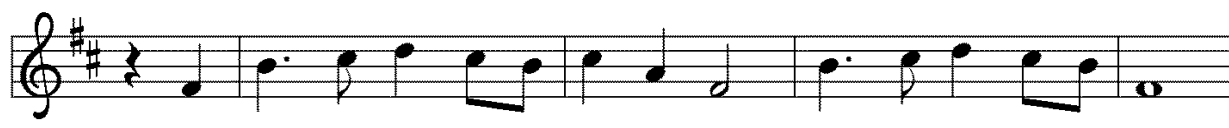
Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;



you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,

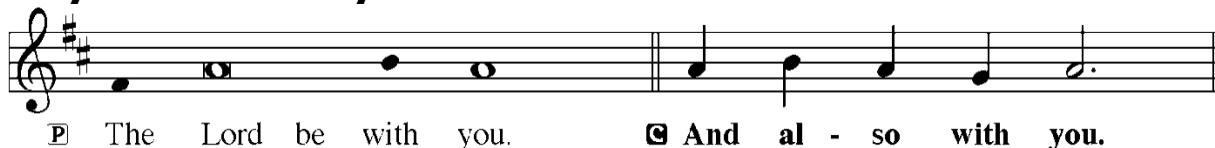


you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Prayer Of The Day



P Let us pray... Holy God, you confound the world's wisdom in giving your kingdom to the lowly and the pure in heart. Give us such a hunger and thirst for justice, and perseverance in striving for peace, that in our words and deeds the world may see the life of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

Please sit for today's readings from scripture

First Reading Micah 6:1-8

¹Hear what the LORD says:

Rise, plead your case before the mountains,
and let the hills hear your voice.

²Hear, you mountains, the controversy of the LORD,
and you enduring foundations of the earth;
for the LORD has a controversy with his people,
and he will contend with Israel.

³"O my people, what have I done to you?
In what have I wearied you? Answer me!

⁴For I brought you up from the land of Egypt,
and redeemed you from the house of slavery;
and I sent before you Moses,
Aaron, and Miriam.

⁵O my people, remember now what King Balak of Moab
devised,

what Balaam son of Beor answered him,
and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal,
that you may know the saving acts of the LORD."

⁶"With what shall I come before the LORD,
and bow myself before God on high?

Shall I come before him with burnt offerings,
with calves a year old?

⁷Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams,
with ten thousands of rivers of oil?

Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression,
the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?"

⁸He has told you, O mortal, what is good;
and what does the LORD require of you
but to do justice, and to love kindness,
and to walk humbly with your God?

L The Word of the Lord

C **Thanks be to God**

Psalm 15 *Cantor/Choir sings refrain; all echo & sing ff. verses*

REFRAIN

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7 Do jus - tice. Love mer - cy. Walk humb - ly with your

12 God. and you may dwell in the tent of the

Lord and a - bide on God's ho - ly moun-tain.

The musical notation is for a refrain in 3/4 time, key of B-flat major. It consists of three staves. The first staff contains measures 7-8, the second staff contains measures 9-10, and the third staff contains measures 11-12. The lyrics are written below the notes.

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1. Have integrity. Do what is right. Speak the truth from your heart. Slander no one and do no harm nor cast any shame on your neighbor. **Refrain**

2. Swear an oath to abhor and despise vile and dishonest rogues. Let not greed take hold of you. Stand firm. Be strong in your oath. **Refrain**

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 1:18-31

¹⁸The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

¹⁹For it is written,

“I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,
and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.”

²⁰Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? ²¹For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. ²²For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, ²³but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, ²⁴but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. ²⁵For God’s foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God’s weakness is stronger than human strength.

²⁶Consider your own call, brothers and sisters: not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. ²⁷But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; ²⁸God chose what is low and despised in the world, things that are not, to reduce to nothing things that are, ²⁹so that no one might boast in the presence of God. ³⁰He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification and redemption, ³¹in order that, as it is written, “Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord.”

L The Word of the Lord

C **Thanks be to God**

Please stand for the Holy Gospel.

Alleluia Verse & Gospel Acclamations



P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the fifth chapter.



¹When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. ²Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

³"Blessed are the poor in spirit,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

⁴"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

⁵"Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

⁶"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,
for they will be filled.

⁷"Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

⁸"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

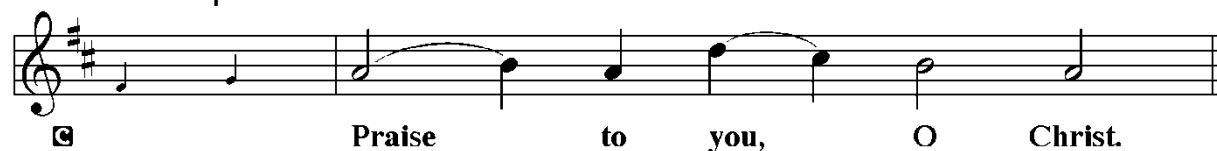
⁹"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called
children of God.

¹⁰"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness'
sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

¹¹"Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you
and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account.

¹²Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in
the same way they persecuted the prophets who were
before you."

P The Gospel of our Lord.



Silent Reflection

Hymn Of The Day

***When the Poor Ones:
Cuando el pobre (ELW 725)***



1 Cuan-do el po - bre na - da tie - ne y aún re - par - te,
 1 When the poor ones, who have noth - ing, still are giv - ing;
 2 When com - pas - sion gives the suf - f'ring con - so - la - tion;
 3 When our spir - its, like a chal - ice, brim with glad - ness;
 4 When the good - ness poured from heav - en fills our dwell - ings;



cuan - do al - guien pa - sa sed ya - gua nos da,
 when the thirst - y pass the cup, wa - ter to share;
 when ex - pect - ing brings to birth hope that was lost;
 when our voic - es, full and clear, sing out the truth;
 when the na - tions work to change war in - to peace;



cuan-do el dé - bil a su her-ma - no for - ta - le - ce:
 when the wound-ed of - fer oth - ers strength and heal - ing:
 when we choose love, not the ha - tred all a - round us:
 when our long - ings, free from en - vy, seek the hum - ble:
 when the strang - er is ac - cept - ed as our neigh - bor:

Refrain / Estribillo



Va Dios mis - mo en nues - tro mis - mo ca - mi - nar;
 We see God, here by our side, walk - ing our way;



va Dios mis - mo en nues - tro mis - mo ca - mi - nar.
 we see God, here by our side, walk - ing our way.

Creed

A Let us profess the faith in which we are Baptized.

All I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

A Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

after each prayer petition

A Lord in your mercy,

C Hear our prayer.

concluding with

P Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

Peace

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

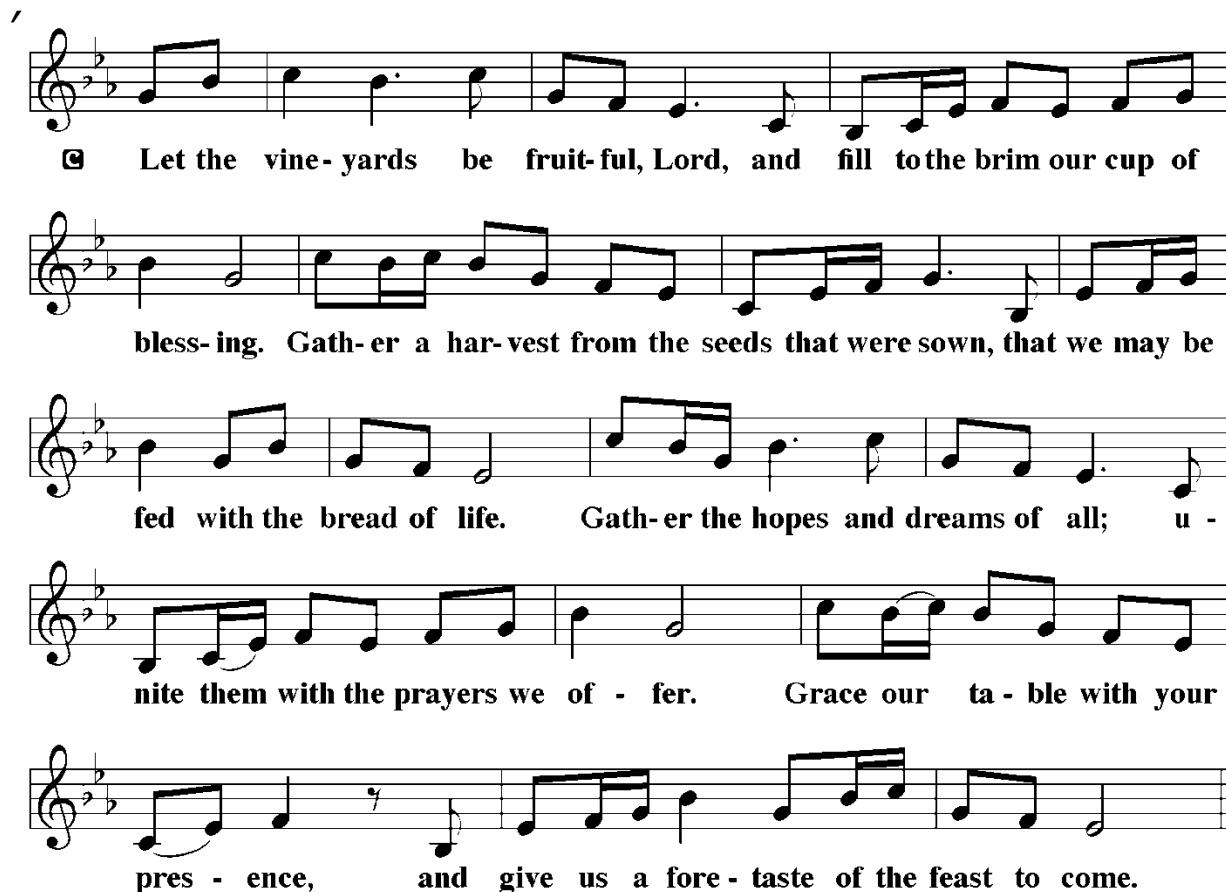
Please greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Offertory

O, How Beautiful the Sky Paul Manz (1919-2009)

Tune: Dejlig Er Den Himmel Blaa

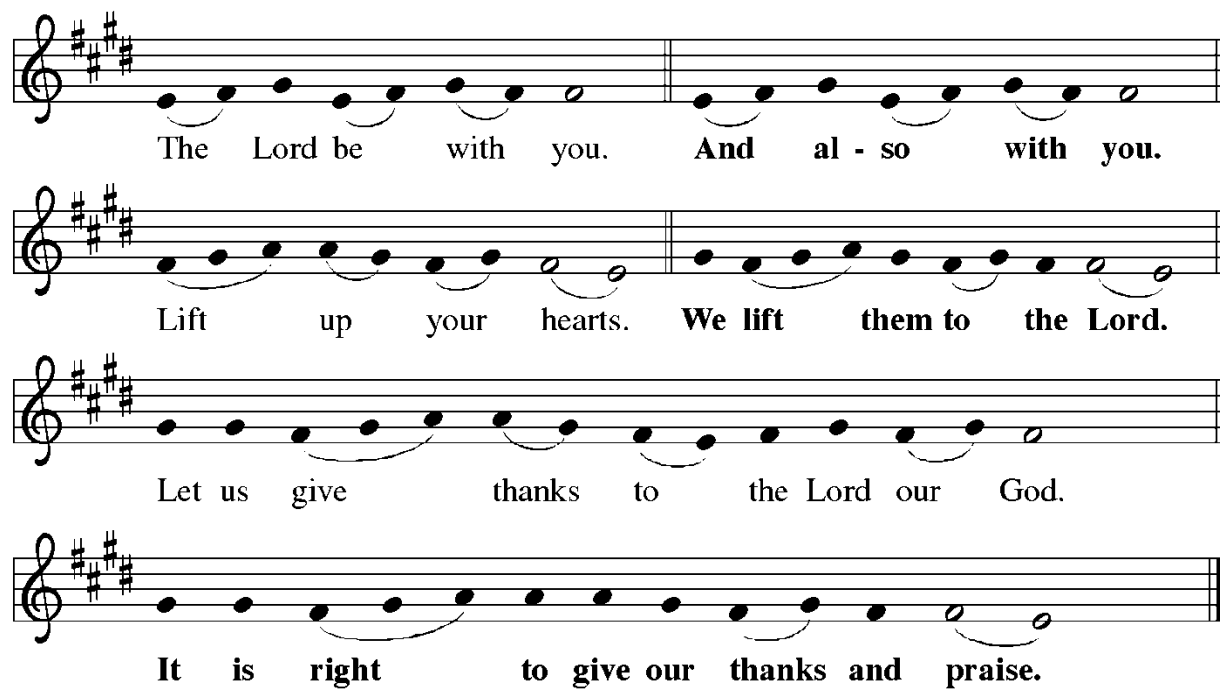
Please stand as our gifts are presented, singing



Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of
bless-ing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be
fed with the bread of life. Gath-er the hopes and dreams of all; u -
nite them with the prayers we of - fer. Grace our ta - ble with your
pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

- A Let us pray. Merciful Father,
- C we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us - ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Great Thanksgiving



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The image shows four staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. Each staff contains a melody line with lyrics underneath. The first staff has two measures, the second and third have two measures each, and the fourth has one measure. The lyrics are: 'The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.', 'Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.', 'Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.', and 'It is right to give our thanks and praise.'

P It is indeed right our duty and our joy that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful Good, through our Savior Jesus Christ;

who, sharing our life, lived among us to reveal y our glory and love, that our darkness should give way to your own brilliant light.

And so with all the choirs of angels, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Sanctus & Benedictus [*Latin, Holy & Blessed*]

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might:
Heav'n 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.

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Eucharistic Prayer

Eucharistic Acclamation

We pro-claim your death, Lord; we cel - e - brate your ris - ing; we
break this bread and share this cup un - til you come a - gain.

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- P Remember us in your kingdom, O Lord, and teach us to pray.
- C 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, forever and ever. Amen.**
- P The body of Christ broken for you
The blood of Christ shed for you

Agnus Dei [*Latin, Lamb Of God*]



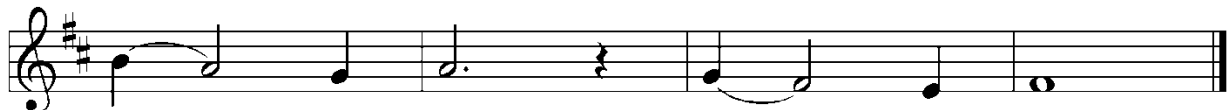
Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;



grant us peace, grant us peace.



HOLY COMMUNION

In-Person: We commune at the Altar.
Ushers will guide. All are welcome.

Wine is Red Grape Juice is White
Gluten-free wafers available upon request.

Online at Home: If you have elements at home, commune with those in attendance at the same time. We encourage you to commune each other and bless children who have not received First Communion. Consider giving this blessing:
"Know that the promises of Jesus's love are for you."

An de Vie and One Brad One Body

Michael Hassell 2004

Kelsey Helton, Sax

Songs that may be sung during distribution of the Sacrament:

Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service (ELW 712)

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in G major, 4/4 time. It consists of four systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are printed below the vocal line of each system.

1 Lord, whose love in hum-ble ser-vice bore the weight of hu-man need,
2 Still your chil-dren wan-der home-less; still the hun-gry cry for bread;
3 As we wor-ship, grant us vi-sion, till your love's re-veal-ing light
4 Called by wor-ship to your ser-vice, forth in your dear name we go,

who up-on the cross, for-sak-en, worked your mer-cy's per-fect deed:
still the cap-tives long for free-dom; still in grief we mourn our dead.
in its height and depth and great-ness dawns up-on our quick-ened sight,
to the child, the youth, the a-ged, love in liv-ing deeds to show;

we, your ser-vants, bring the wor-ship not of voice a-lone, but heart;
As you, Lord, in deep com-pas-sion healed the sick and freed the soul,
mak-ing known the needs and bur-dens your com-pas-sion bids us bear,
hope and health, good-will and com-fort, coun-sel, aid, and peace we give,

con-se-crat-ing to your pur-pose ev-'ry gift which you im-part.
by your Spir-it send your pow-er to our world to make it whole.
stir-ring us to ar-dent ser-vice, your a-bun-dant life to share.
that your ser-vants, Lord, in free-dom may your mer-cy know and live.

Text: Albert F. Bayly, 1901–1984

Music: BEACH SPRING, *The Sacred Harp*, Philadelphia, 1844; arr. *Selected Hymns*, 1985

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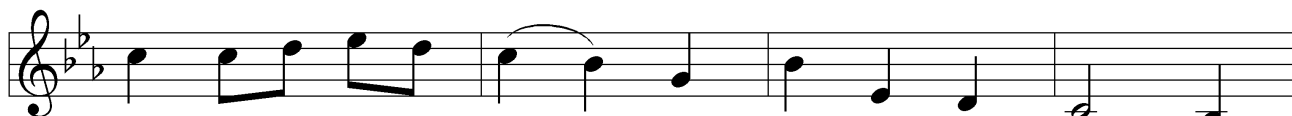
Be Thou My Vision (ELW 793)



1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
 2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;
 3 Rich - es I heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise,
 4 Light of my soul, af - ter vic - to - ry won,



naught be all else to me, save that thou art:
 I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord.
 thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways:
 may I reach heav - en's joys, O heav - en's Sun!



thou my best thought by day and by night,
 Thou my soul's shel - ter, thou my high tow'r,
 thou, and thou on - ly, first in my heart,
 Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,



wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
 raise thou me heav'n - ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.
 great God of heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.
 still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

Text: Irish 8th–10th cent.; tr. Mary E. Byrne, 1880–1931; vers. Eleanor H. Hull, 1860–1935, alt.
 Music: SLANE, Irish tune

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you
 and keep you in God's grace.

C **Amen.**

Post-Communion Canticle

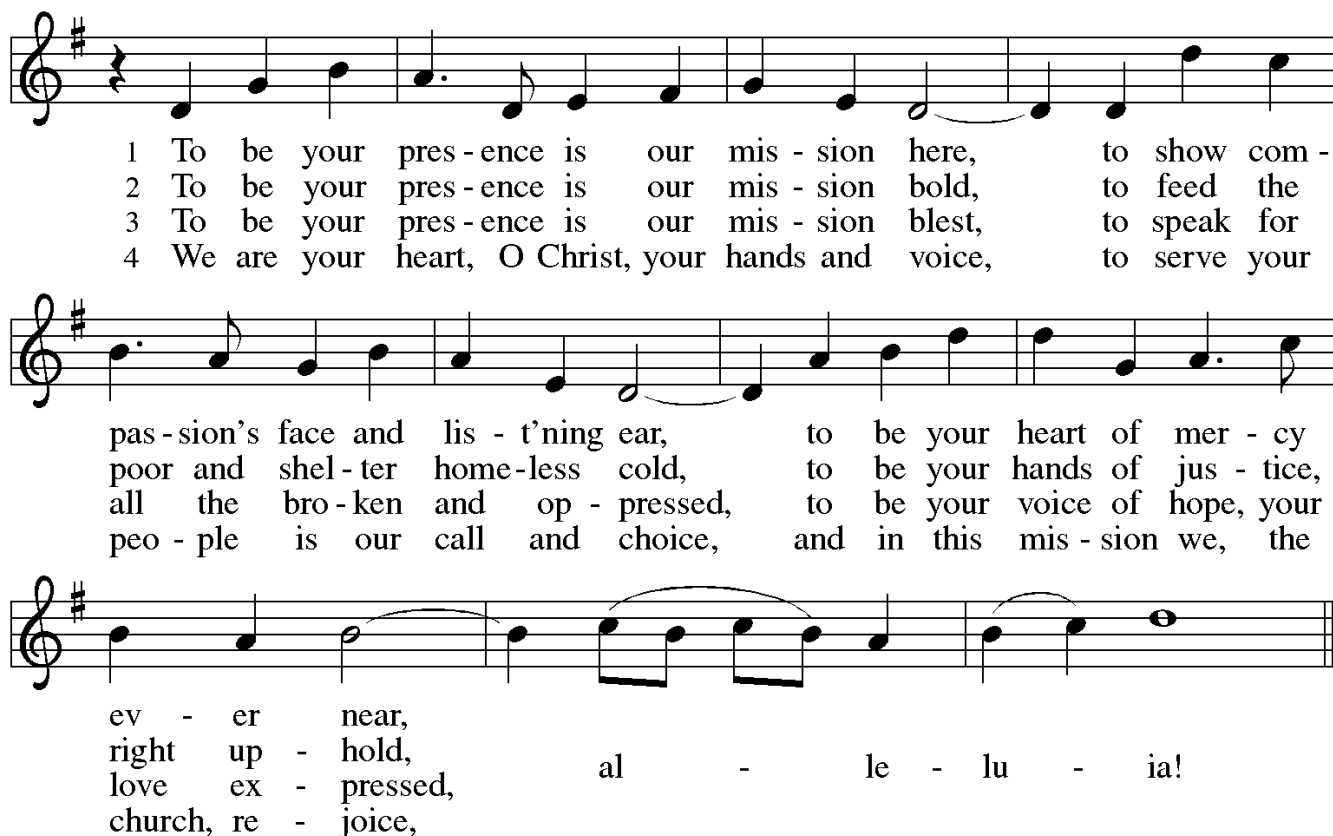
Lord, now you let your ser - vant go in peace; your word has
been ful - filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion which
you have pre - pared in the sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple:
A light to re - veal you to the na - tions and the
glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.
Glo - ry to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the
Ho - ly Spir - it, as it was in the be - gin - ning,
is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men

A Let us pray... Radiant God, we have seen your glory in the face of Jesus Christ. In the sacrament of his body and blood you have drawn us to your heart. Send us from this table with delight, that our lives may reflect the beauty of your love, and bear witness to all we have seen and heard, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C **Amen.**

P The Benediction ✠
C Amen

Recessional Hymn *To Be Your Presence* (ELW 546)



1 To be your pres - ence is our mis - sion here, to show com -
2 To be your pres - ence is our mis - sion bold, to feed the
3 To be your pres - ence is our mis - sion blest, to speak for
4 We are your heart, O Christ, your hands and voice, to serve your

pas - sion's face and lis - t'ning ear, to be your heart of mer - cy
poor and shel - ter home - less cold, to be your hands of jus - tice,
all the bro - ken and op - pressed, to be your voice of hope, your
peo - ple is our call and choice, and in this mis - sion we, the

ev - er near,
right up - hold, al - le - lu - ia!
love ex - pressed,
church, re - joice,

Text: Delores Dufner, OSB, b. 1939

Music: ENGELBERG, Charles V. Stanford, 1852-1924

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A Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God!**

Postlude

O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright Tune: *Deo Gracias*
Setting: David Polley (b. 1953)

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UPCOMING COMMEMORATIONS

Presentation of Our Lord

Monday, February 2, 2026

Forty days after the birth of Jesus we mark the day Mary and Joseph presented him in the temple in accordance with Jewish law. There they were greeted by Simeon, an aged priest who offered the song "Lord, now you let your servant depart in peace," as well as by the prophet Anna, who spoke of the redemption of Israel.

Ansgar, Bishop of Hamburg, missionary to Denmark and Sweden, died 865

Tuesday, February 3, 2026

A monk who helped bring Christianity to Scandinavia, Ansgar returned to Germany where he was named bishop of Hamburg. He is remembered for his love for poor people.

The Martyrs of Japan, died 1597

Thursday, February 5, 2026

Christianity was brought to Japan in the sixteenth century by Jesuit and Franciscan missionaries. The religion was suppressed, however, and in 1597 twenty-six missionaries and converts were crucified. Nevertheless, Christianity survived and later prospered.

Notes by Debbie on today's Prelude and Offertory

Prelude:

"Duo" was edited for organ but I am choosing to use Calvary's harpsichord for it this week!

This piece is part of a collection I discovered during a workshop at the Regional Guild of Organist's Convention in Fort Worth last summer. The "Women Composers' Album" is curated and edited by Charles Callahan and features 20 pieces, mostly unknown or rarely played. Some familiar artists are Clara Schumann and Fanny Mendelssohn Hensel but most are lesser-known musicians. You have heard a few of these pieces already - how wonderful it is to give a new life to them!

Elisabeth von Herzogenberg (Stockhausen) was born in Paris, France on April 13th, 1847, and died on January 7th, 1892. She was a German pianist, composer, singer and philanthropist. Her father was a Hanoverian ambassador and pianist linked to Frederic Chopin and Charles-Valentin Alkan. She studied and associated with Johannes Brahms although she largely did not perform or publish for the public.

Offertory:

This piece is based on the Hymn/Carol *O How Beautiful The Sky* (Danish, anonymous). It features some meandering flute melodies and a very low pedal point which reminds me of the mystery of the stars arising. The ending chord leaves us in a suspended state, much like I imagine the Shepherds and Wisemen must have felt.

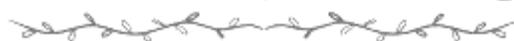
Verses to ponder while listening:

1. O how beautiful the sky, with the sparkling stars on high, How they glitter, brightly gleaming, how they twinkle, gladsome, beaming, as they draw our hearts to heaven.
2. In the midst of Christmas night, while the stars were shining bright, Of a sudden clear and radiant, One appeared and shone resplendent with the lustre of the sun.
3. Long ago it was foretold by God's chosen men of old. When at midnight such a wonder did appear in heaven up yonder, born should be a Savior King.
4. Wisemen by the star were led to the Christ-child's lowly bed. Guiding star, O may we heed thee, may we know we ever need thee. Lead us to our heavenly King.
5. In His word did God provide, such a star to be our guide. Holy writ, the Gospel story, doth reveal to us the glory. Leading onward, on to Christ.

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