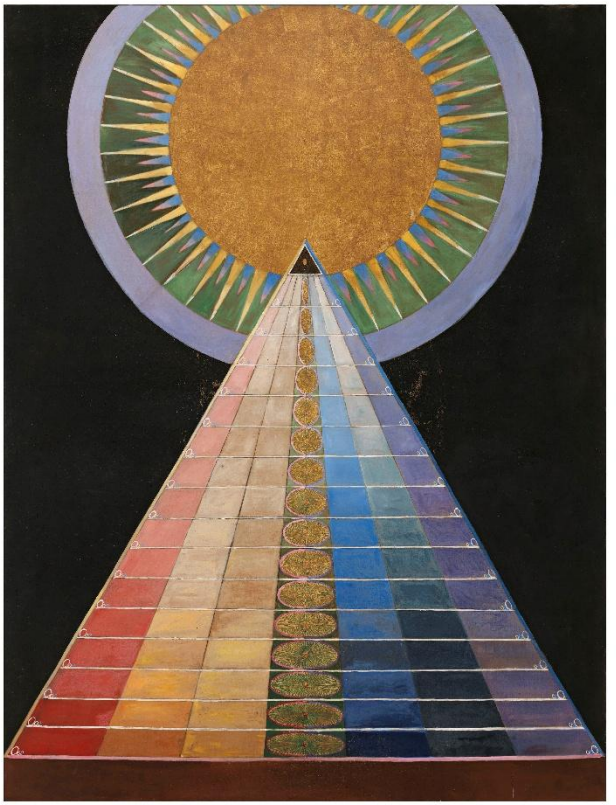
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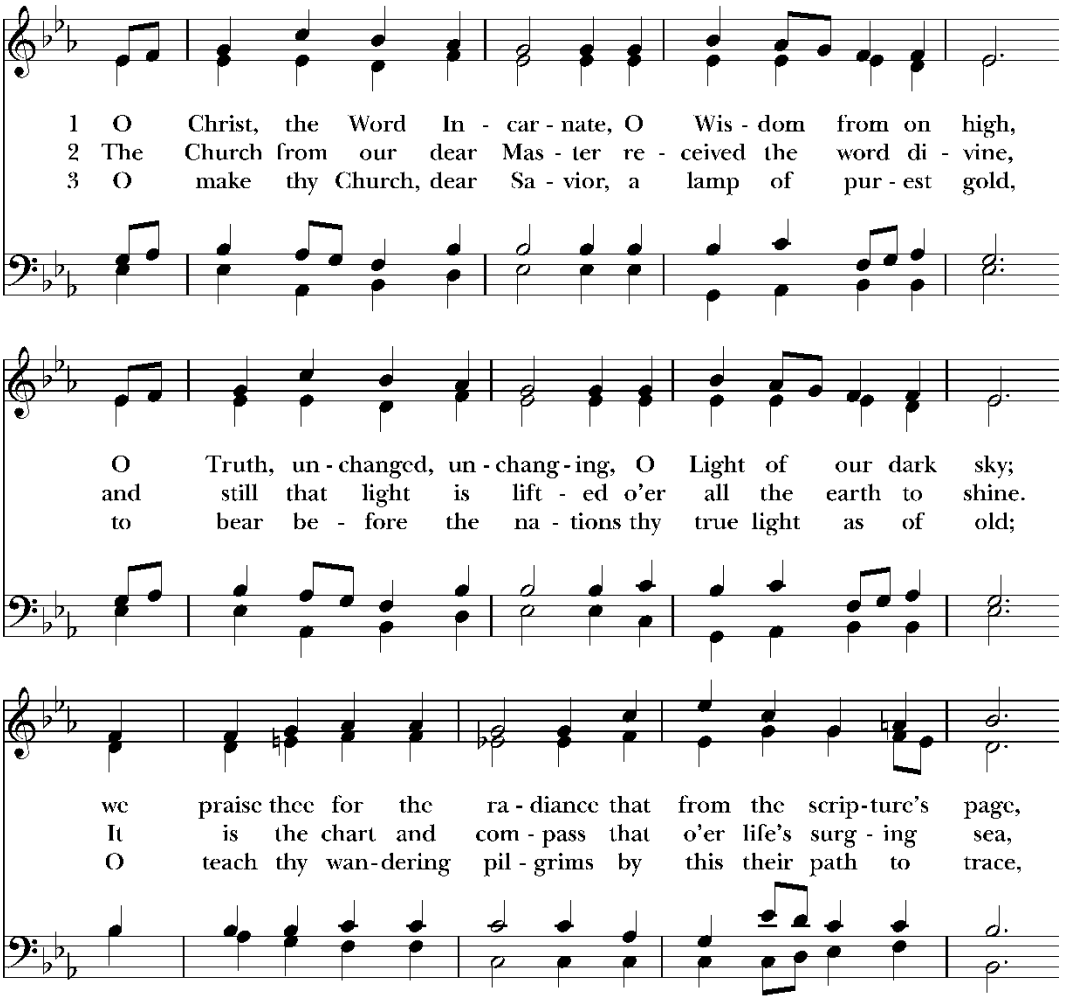


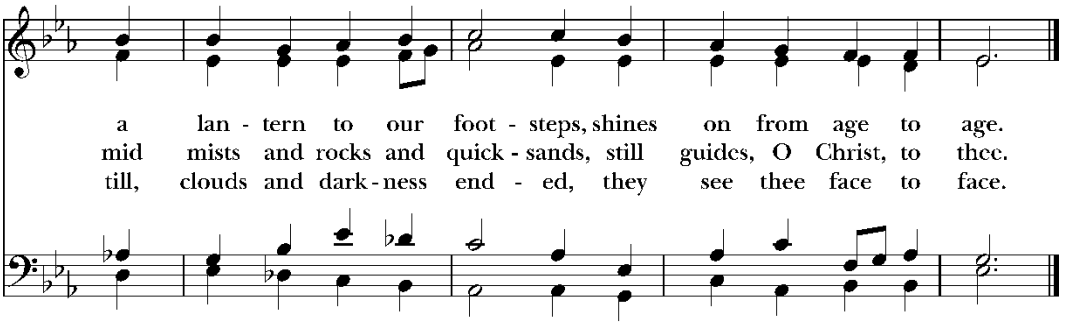
Altarpiece No. 1, Group X
Hilma af Klint (1907)

The Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost
November 15, 2026
10:30 a.m.

All stand as able as the Ministers process into the church

The Opening Hymn: H632, *O Christ, the Word Incarnate*





Words: William Walsham How (1823-1897), alt. Music: *Munich*, melody from *Neu-vermehrtes und zu Übung Christl. Gottseligkeit eingerichtetes Meiningisches Gesangbuch*, 1693; adapt. and harm. Felix Mendelssohn (1807-1847).

The Word of God

The People standing as able, the Celebrant says

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

People ***And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.***

The Celebrant may say

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 in Excelsis*, S-280**

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:

have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

The Celebrant says to the People

The Lord be with you.

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

Celebrant Let us pray.

The Celebrant says the Collect.

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People ***Amen.***

The People sit.

The First Reading: Judges 4:1-7

Reader A Reading from the book of Judges.

The Israelites again did what was evil in the sight of the LORD, after Ehud died. So the LORD sold them into the hand of King Jabin of Canaan, who reigned in Hazor; the commander of his army was

Sisera, who lived in Harosheth-ha-goiim. Then the Israelites cried out to the LORD for help; for he had nine hundred chariots of iron, and had oppressed the Israelites cruelly twenty years.

At that time Deborah, a prophetess, wife of Lappidoth, was judging Israel. She used to sit under the palm of Deborah between Ramah and Bethel in the hill country of Ephraim; and the Israelites came up to her for judgment. She sent and summoned Barak son of Abinoam from Kedesh in Naphtali, and said to him, "The LORD, the God of Israel, commands you, 'Go, take position at Mount Tabor, bringing ten thousand from the tribe of Naphtali and the tribe of Zebulun. I will draw out Sisera, the general of Jabin's army, to meet you by the Wadi Kishon with his chariots and his troops; and I will give him into your hand.'"

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

Psalm 123

To you I lift up my eyes, *
to you enthroned in the heavens.

As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their masters, *
and the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress,

So our eyes look to the LORD our God, *
until he show us his mercy.

Have mercy upon us, O LORD, have mercy, *
for we have had more than enough of contempt,

Too much of the scorn of the indolent rich, *
and of the derision of the proud.

The Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11
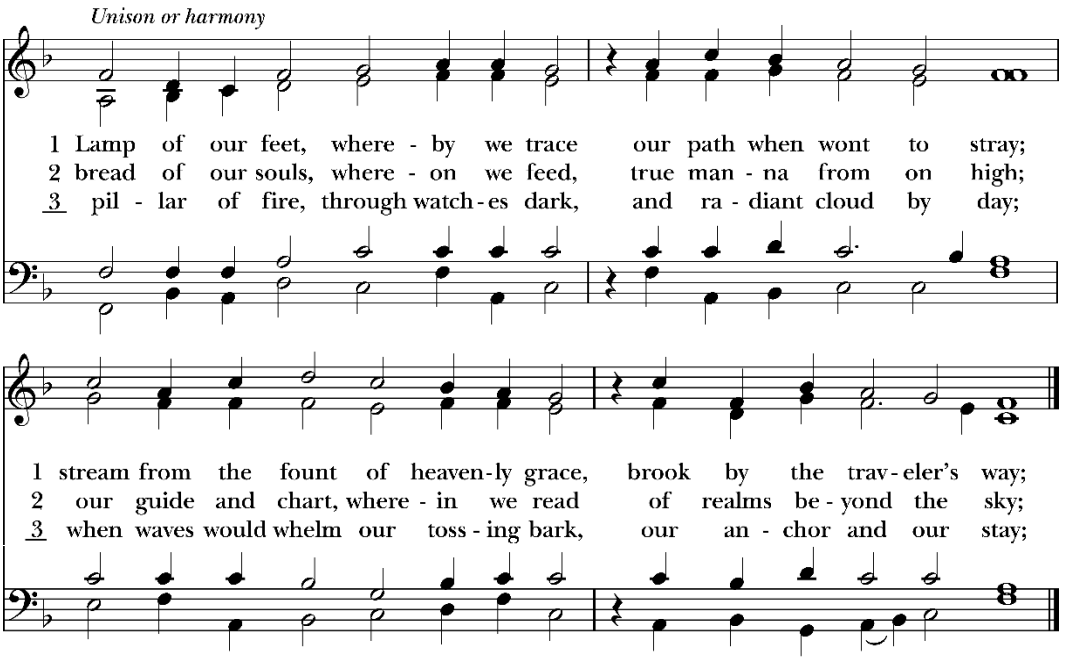
Reader A Reading from Paul's First Letter to the Thessalonians.

Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People ***Thanks be to God.***

The Sequence Hymn: H627, *Lamp of our feet, whereby we trace (vv.1-3)*



Words: Bernard Barton (1784-1849). Music: *Nun danket all und bringet Ehr*, melody att. Johann Cruger (1598-1662), alt.

The Gospel: Matthew 25:14-30

Then, all standing as able, the Deacon or a Priest reads the Gospel, first saying

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

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

Jesus said, "It is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made

two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' But his master replied, 'You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'"

After the Gospel, the Reader says

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon..... The Rev. John Rule

On Sundays and other Major Feasts there follows, all standing as able

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People (Form VI)

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;
For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;
For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;
For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Sarah, Archbishop of Canterbury; Sean, our Presiding Bishop; Poulson, our Bishop; and for all bishops and other ministers;
For all who serve God in God's Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Hear us, Lord;
For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence

The People may add their own thanksgivings

We will exalt you, O God our King;
And praise your Name for ever and ever.

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

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
Who put their trust in you.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence may be kept.

Leader 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.

The Bishop, when present, or the Priest, stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. ***Amen.***

The Peace

All stand as able. The Celebrant says to the People

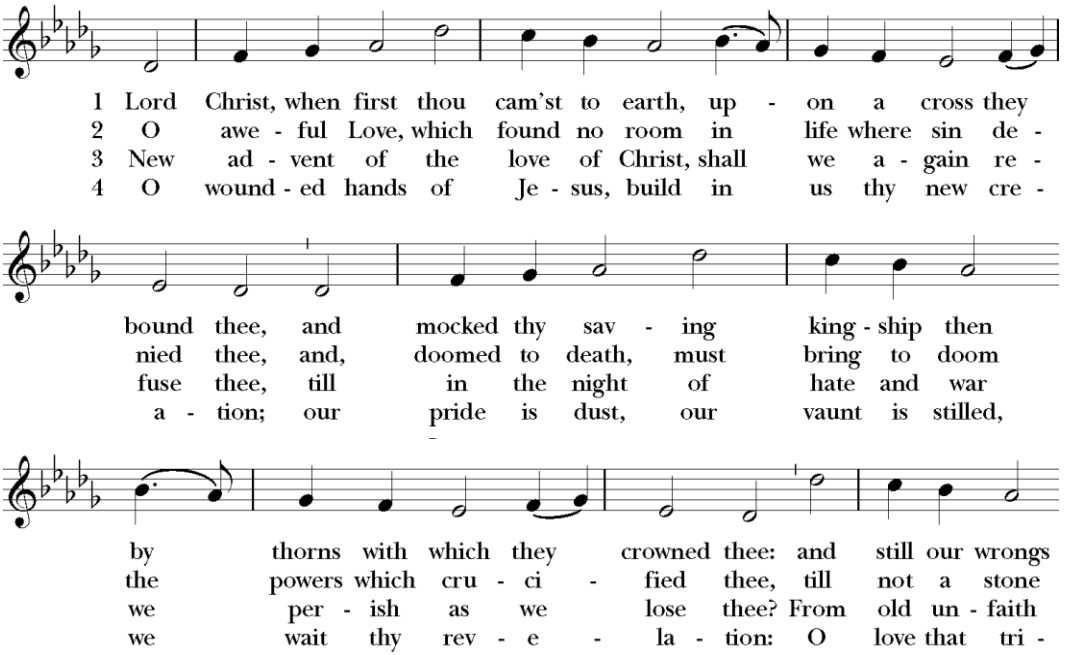
The peace of the Lord be always with you.

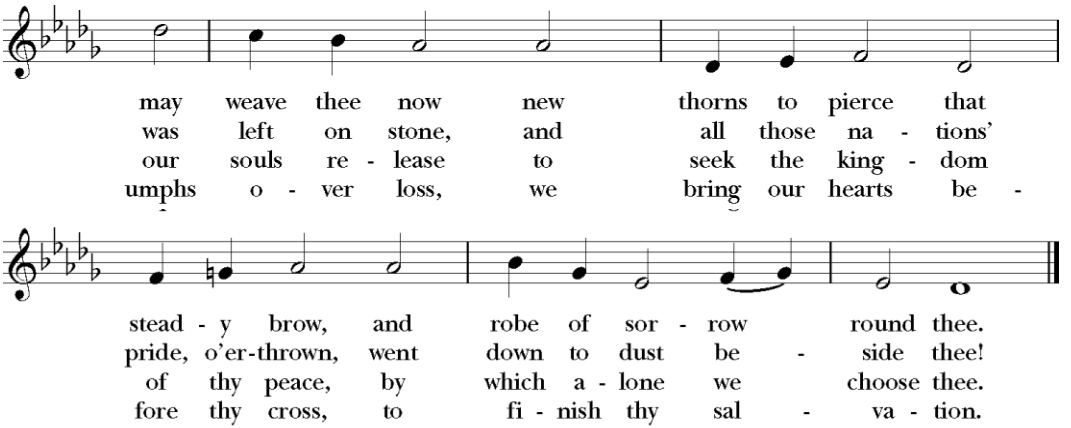
People ***And also with you.***

Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

The Offertory Sentence

The Offertory Hymn: H598, *Lord Christ, when first thou cam'st to earth*





The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer C

The Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People ***And also with you***
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People ***We lift them to the Lord.***
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People ***It is right to give him thanks and praise.***

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.
Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

S-130 Sanctus

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full, full of your glory,
Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord,
Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest.

The People stand or kneel.
Then the Celebrant continues

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, 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."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our Fathers: God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. ***AMEN.***

As our Savior Christ
has taught us,
we now pray,

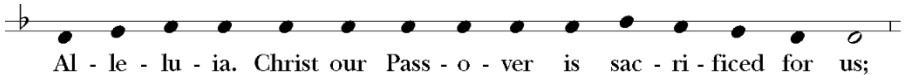
Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the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

The Breaking of the Bread

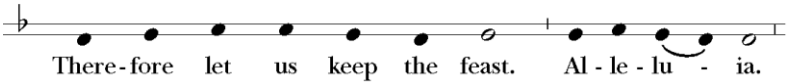
The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

Then the Celebrant sings or says



The People sing or say in response



The Fraction Anthem: S-164, Jesus, Lamb of God

Jesus, Lamb of God.
Have mercy on us.
Jesus, bearer of our sins.
Have mercy on us.

Jesus, redeemer, redeemer of the world.
Give us your peace, give us your peace.

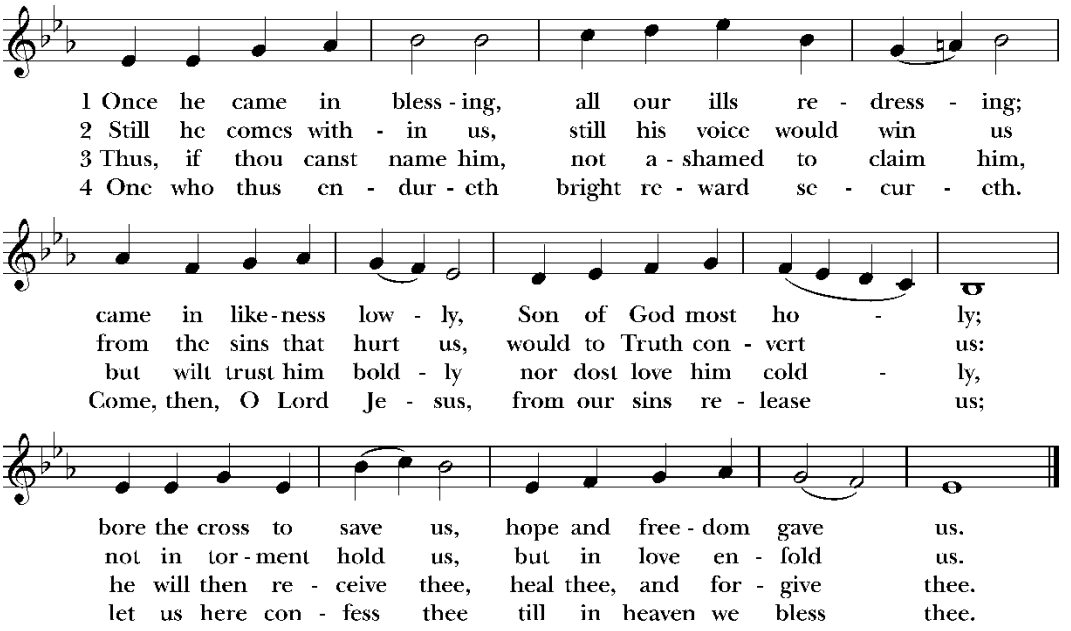
Facing the People, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The Distribution of Communion

All baptized Christians are invited and encouraged to receive the Body and Blood of Christ at the altar of this parish church. Gluten-free wafers are available.

The Communion Hymn: H53, *Once he came in blessing*



Words: Jan Roh (1485?-1547); tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878), alt. Music: *Gottes Sohn ist kommen*, melody Michael Weisse (d. 1534); harm. Jack W. Burnam (b. 1946).

The Postcommunion Prayer

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Birthday & Anniversary Blessings

The Blessing of the Children

Announcements

The Final Blessing



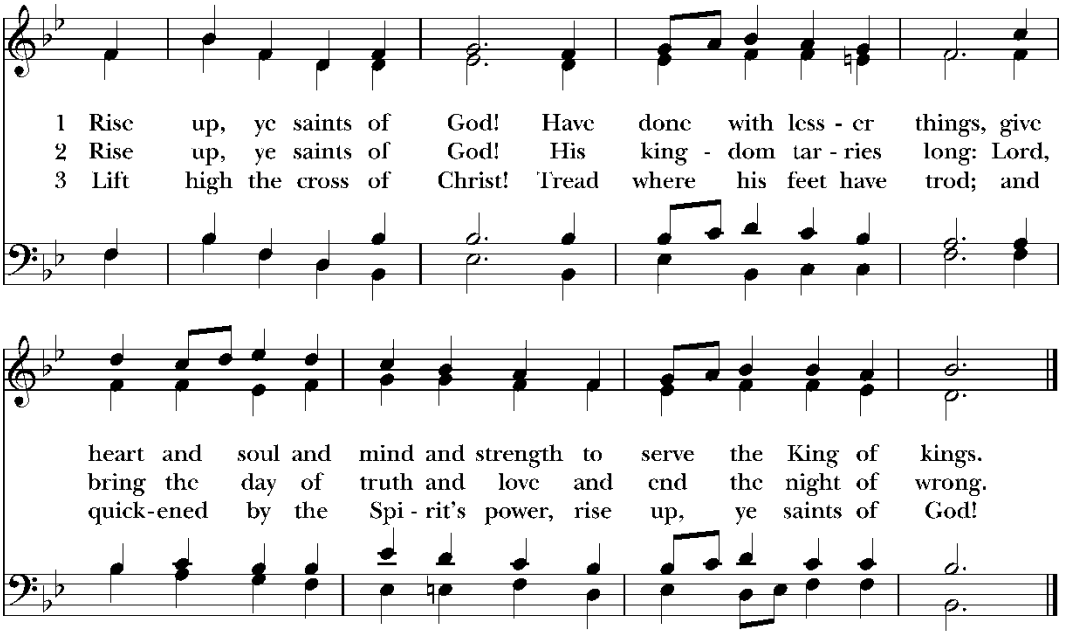
Birthdays & Anniversaries We Celebrate

Hudson Cox's Birthday ..... November 15
Kathy Hicks' Birthday ..... November 15
Richard Hall's Birthday ..... November 20
Lee Ann Henley's Birthday ..... November 21
Joseph & Tera Henley's Anniversary ..... November 19

You are invited to come forward, at the invitation of the priest,
to receive a birthday or anniversary blessing.



The Closing Hymn: H551, *Rise up, ye saints of God*



Words: William Pierson Merrill (1867-1954), alt. Music: *Festal Song*, William H. Walter (1825-1893).

The Dismissal

The Deacon, or the Celebrant, dismisses the People, who respond

Let us bless the Lord.

People ***Thanks be to God.***

Our Lord Jesus Christ
Head of the Church

The Right Reverend Poulson Reed
Bishop of Oklahoma

The Rev. John Rule
Vicar

Jack Kelly
Senior Warden

Craig Cottrell
Junior Warden

Lee Ann Henley
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Yvonne Baker
Altar Guild Directress

+THE MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY+

Ministers:..... The Congregation of St. Luke's
Celebrant & Preacher:.....The Rev. John Rule
Eucharistic Ministers:.....Carle Robbins
Lectors:..... Janice Drummond, Yvonne Baker
Intercessor: .....Donna Ensing
Acolytes:.....William Mayfield
Oblationers:..... Kay Eason, Sue Dishong
Organist:.....Drew Ashley
Ushers:.....Rick Vivion, Craig Cottrell
Counters:..... Melissa Mullen, Craig Cottrell

Those For Whom We Pray THE MEMBERS OF OUR CHURCH

Prayers for Healing: Drew, Claudette & John, Linda, Charlotte, John, Joseph & Tera, Yvonne, Wayne

[Please let Fr. John or Melissa Mullen know if you wish to add someone to the Prayer List]

Those in Retirement Homes:

Those in the Armed Forces: For all who serve around the world

Christian People in the World: The people of Ukraine

The Clergy: Sarah, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Sean, our Presiding Bishop; Poulson, our Bishop; John, our Vicar

Our Wardens: Jack Kelly, Craig Cottrell

The Bishop's Committee: Dedee Cottrell, Anne Ghost Bear, Melita Hiddle, Nancy Robbins, Susan Soulsby, Susan Moffatt, Sue Dishong, Zac Cox, Rick Vivion

Our Parish Office Staff: Lee Ann Henley, Treasurer, Melissa Mullen, Secretary, Susan Moffatt, Bookkeeper

Our Organist: Drew Ashley

Our Choir: Lee Ann, Melissa, Marissa, Betty, Janice

The Faithful Departed: All those who have died because of gun violence or war

Community Christmas Eve Pageant

Interested in helping with the Community Christmas Pageant?
There's still time to volunteer!
Practices begin today and will be held on Sundays
November 15 through December 20; 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.,
with a meal for all participants and their families
after each practice.
Please come this afternoon if you want to help!

Loose Change Sundays in November

Gather and leave your loose change in the buckets in church.
The bank will count it, no need to roll it.
We'll also accept folding bills.
Proceeds will be used for the Christmas Eve Pageant.

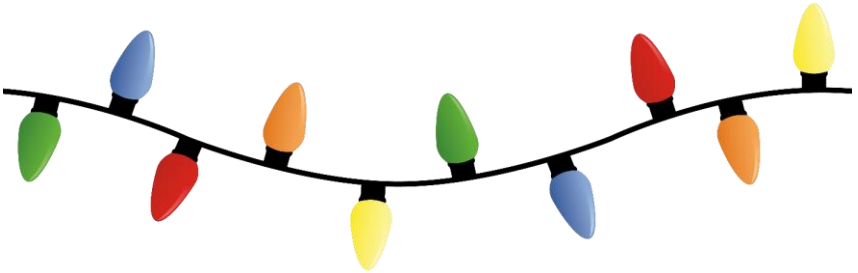
Owen Elementary Opportunities

December 4th
9am to noon
Popcorn Friday
Need 5 volunteers to pop popcorn

December 9th
Biztown 8:30-1:30
Need 5-6 Volunteers

Questions?
Call or text Martha Alford
918-681-0937
malford60@gmail.com

Please join us in the Parish Hall following the service for Third Sunday Birthday & Anniversary Cake !



Sunday November 29th
The First Sunday of Advent

9:30 Adult and Children's Sunday School

will meet together in parish hall for craft projects

10:30 Church Service

11:30 Fifth Sunday Potluck

Bring your favorite dish to share

4:00 to 6:00 Community Christmas Pageant Practice

Rehearsal and Dinner



The Parable of the Talents
Willem de Poorter (17th century)

Welcome Visitors

We are glad you chose to worship with us today.
We would appreciate it if you would complete the card
found in your pew and place it in the alms basin,
or sign our guest register at the north or south entrance to the church.



May our Lord Jesus Christ bless your worship experience this day
and go with you throughout the week.

Our Mission Statement

To know Christ and make him known through worship, prayer,
study, fellowship, outreach, and witness in our daily walk.

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