

# ST. CHRISTOPHER'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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YOU ARE VERY WELCOME TO OUR EUCHARIST SERVICE!  
The entire service is printed below;  
you'll need no books or other materials to follow along.

The Priest or Leader will say the items in regular type.  
**You are invited to say aloud the items printed in boldface.**

PRELUDE

PRELUDE ON "THAXTED", D. BLACKWELL

ANNOUNCEMENTS

All stand and join in singing,

OPENING HYMN

THE HYMNAL 1982 #48

1 O day of ra - diant glad - ness, O day of joy and  
2 This day at the cre - a - tion, the light first had its  
3 This day, God's peo - ple meet - ing, his Ho - ly Scrip - ture  
4 That light our hope sus - tain - ing, we walk the pil - grim

light, O balm of care and sad - ness, most  
birth; this day for our sal - va - tion Christ  
hear; his liv - ing pres - ence greet - ing, through  
way, at length our rest at - tain - ing, our

beau - ti - ful, most bright; this day the high and  
 rose from depths of earth; this day our Lord vic -  
 Bread and Wine made near. We jour - ney on, be -  
 end - less Sab - bath day. We sing to thee our

low - ly, through a - ges joined in tune, sing,  
 to - rious the Spi - rit sent from heaven, and  
 liev - ing, re - newed with heaven - ly might, from  
 prais - es, O Fa - ther, Spi - rit, Son; the

“Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly,” to the great God Tri - une.  
 thus this day most glo - rious a tri - ple light was given.  
 grace more grace re - ceiv - ing on this blest day of light.  
 Church her voice up - rais - es to thee, blest Three in One.

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# THE OPENING ACCLAMATION & COLLECT FOR PURITY

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

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

Presider: 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 Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All: Amen.**

## GLORIA

THE HYMNAL 1982 #S-236

1. Glo - ry to you, \_\_\_\_\_ Lord

God of our fa - thers; \_\_\_\_\_ you are wor - thy of praise;

glo - ry to you. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Glo - ry to you \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ for the ra - di - ance of your ho - ly Name; \_\_\_\_\_ we will

praise you and high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er. \_\_\_\_\_

3. Glo - ry to you \_\_\_\_\_ in the splen - dor of your

tem - ple; on the throne of your ma - jes - ty, glo - ry to

you. 4. Glo - ry to you, seat - ed bet -

ween the Cher - u - bim; we will praise you and

high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er.

*Descant*

5. Glo - ry to you, be -

5. Glo - ry to you, be - hold - ing the

hold - ing the depths; in the high vault of

depths; in the high vault of hea - ven, glo - ry to

hea - ven, 6. Glo - ry to you, you. 6. Glo - ry to you, Fa - ther, Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit; we will Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit; we will praise you and high-ly ex - alt you Glo - ry to you! high-ly ex - alt you for ev - er.

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Presider: 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.

**All: Amen.**

The People are seated for the lessons.

## THE FIRST READING

DANIEL 12:1-3

A reading from the Prophet Daniel.

The Lord spoke to Daniel in a vision and said, "At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a time of anguish, such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book. Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

The Choir will chant the Psalm.

## THE PSALM

PSALM 16

1 Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; \*  
I have said to the Lord, "You are my Lord,  
my good above all other."

2 All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land, \*  
upon those who are noble among the people.

3 But those who run after other gods \*  
shall have their troubles multiplied.

4 Their libations of blood I will not offer, \*  
nor take the names of their gods upon my lips.

5 O Lord, you are my portion and my cup; \*  
it is you who uphold my lot.

6 My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; \*  
indeed, I have a goodly heritage.

7 I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel; \*  
my heart teaches me, night after night.

8 I have set the Lord always before me; \*  
because he is at my right hand I shall not fall.

9 My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; \*  
my body also shall rest in hope.

10 For you will not abandon me to the grave, \*  
nor let your holy one see the Pit.

11 You will show me the path of life; \*  
in your presence there is fullness of joy,  
and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.

## THE SECOND READING

HEBREWS 10:11-14 (15-18) 19-25

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

Every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, “he sat down at the right hand of God,” and since then has been waiting “until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet.” For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified. [And the Holy Spirit also testifies to us, for after saying,

“This is the covenant that I will make with them  
after those days, says the Lord:

I will put my laws in their hearts,  
and I will write them on their minds,”

he also adds,

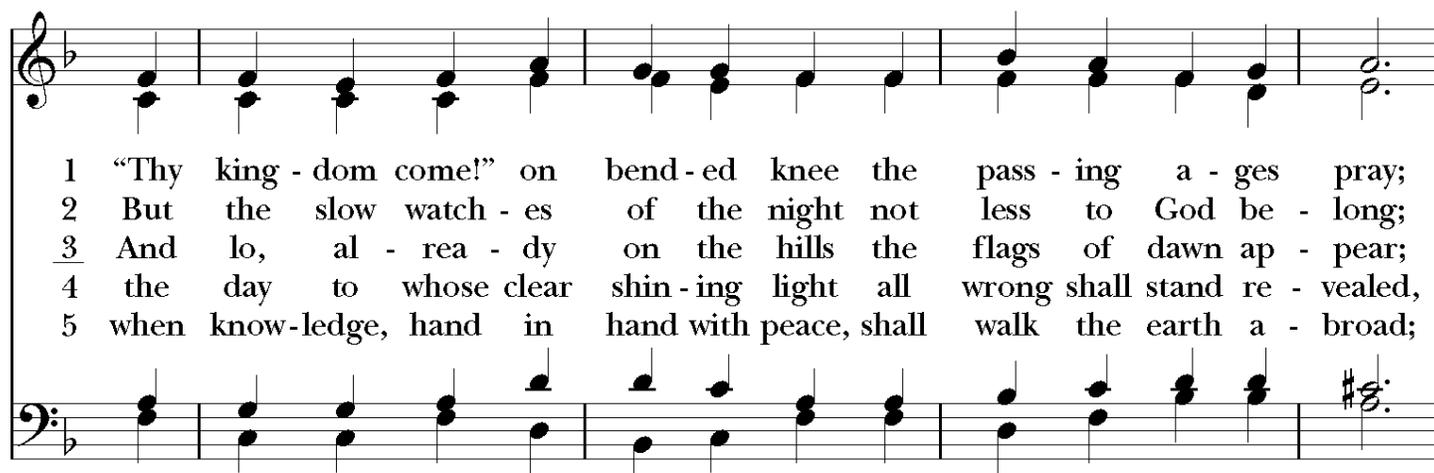
“I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more.”

Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.]

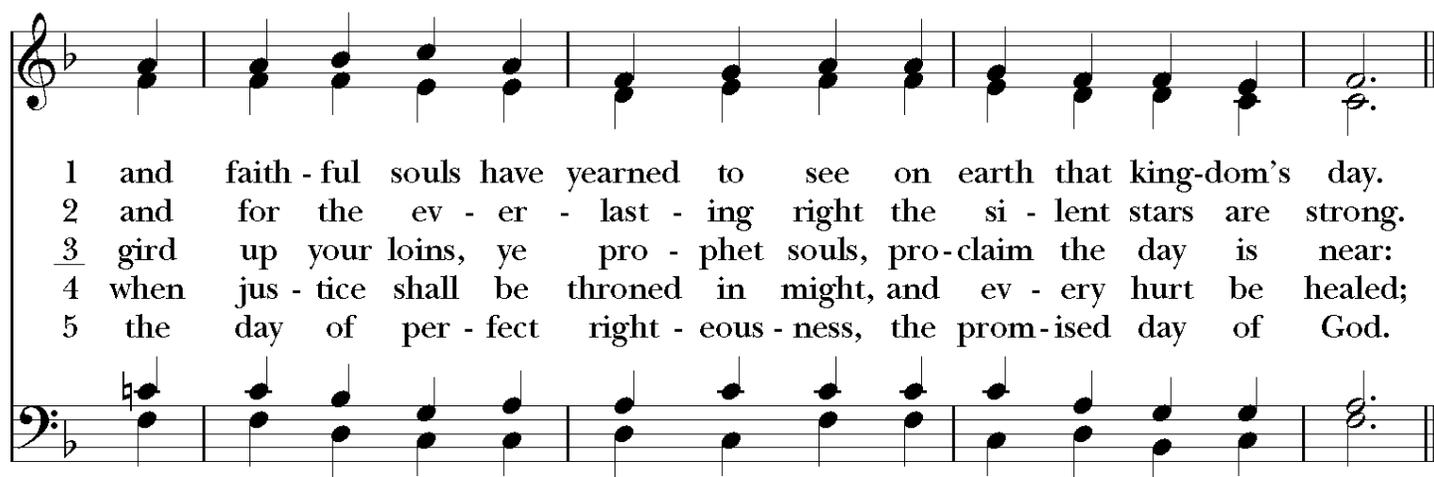
Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**



1 “Thy king - dom come!” on bend - ed knee the pass - ing a - ges pray;  
 2 But the slow watch - es of the night not less to God be - long;  
 3 And lo, al - rea - dy on the hills the flags of dawn ap - pear;  
 4 the day to whose clear shin - ing light all wrong shall stand re - vealed,  
 5 when know - ledge, hand in hand with peace, shall walk the earth a - broad;



1 and faith - ful souls have yearned to see on earth that king - dom's day.  
 2 and for the ev - er - last - ing right the si - lent stars are strong.  
 3 gird up your loins, ye pro - phet souls, pro - claim the day is near;  
 4 when jus - tice shall be throned in might, and ev - ery hurt be healed;  
 5 the day of per - fect right - eous - ness, the prom - ised day of God.

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The People stand as they are able for the Gospel,

THE GOSPEL

MARK 13:1-8

The Gospeler introduces the Gospel and the People respond,

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

As Jesus came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, “Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!” Then Jesus asked him, “Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down.”

When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, “Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?” Then Jesus began to say to them, “Beware that no one leads you astray. Many will come in my name and say, ‘I am he!’ and they will lead many astray. When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birthpangs.”

Reader: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

At the invitation of the Preacher, the People are seated.

THE HOMILY

THE REV. JERRY LASLEY

THE NICENE CREED

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

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

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

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The People stand as they are able during the prayers. The Leader and People pray responsively.

**Leader:** In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;

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

**Leader:** For this community, the nation, and the world;

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

**Leader:** For the just and proper use of your creation;

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

**Leader:** For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

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

Leader: For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

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

Leader: For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, for Jerry, our Priest; and for all bishops and other ministers;

**People: For all who serve God in his Church.**

Leader: For the special needs and concerns of this congregation, especially...  
Silence. The People may add their own petitions either silently or aloud.

Leader: Hear us, Lord;

**People: For your mercy is great.**

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

Silence. The People may add their own thanksgivings either silently or aloud.

We will exalt you, O God our King;

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

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

Silence. The People may add their own petitions either silently or aloud.

Leader: Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

**People: Who put their trust in you.**

The Priest adds a concluding Collect.

**All: Amen.**

All stand or kneel as they are able.

## THE CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

Priest: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**All: 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.**

Priest: 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.

**All: Amen.**

Priest: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

**All: And also with you.**

Priest: Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good your vows to the Most High. *Psalm 50:14*

OFFERTORY

REJOICE IN THE LORD ALWAYS, PURCELL

SOLOISTS: JUDITH CONYERS, VICTOR GALEA, TRISTRAM SHAYNA

## THE HOLY EUCHARIST

All stand or kneel as they are able.

Priest: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them to the Lord.**

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Priest: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

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

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,  
 heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
 san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
 san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Priest: Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or to lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

Priest: On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for

you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

Priest: We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

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 Father, now and for ever.

**All: Amen.**

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

Priest: As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**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 Priest breaks the consecrated bread. A period of silence is kept.

Priest: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

**People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Priest: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All are invited to share in this sacred meal. This offering of the body and blood of our Savior Jesus Christ is for you, a precious child of God.

At this time, if you are joining us in-person, please carefully form a single line in the middle aisle beginning with the front rows and working back as space allows. Please make sure to stay at least six feet away from anyone not in your household and keep your mask on.

The Priest will distribute Communion wafers. Please keep your mask on as you approach then process to the left or right depending on where you are sitting. Please wait until you are far from the Priest and others before carefully removing your masks to partake of Communion. Please replace your mask as quickly as you are able.

## COMMUNION HYMN

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1 Lord, en - throned in heaven - ly splen - dor, first - be -  
\*2 Here our hum - blest hom - age pay we, here in  
\*3 Though the low - liest form doth veil thee as of  
4 Pas - chal Lamb, thine of - fering, fi - nished once for  
5 Life - im - part - ing heaven - ly Man - na, smit - ten

1 got - ten from the dead. Thou a - lone, our strong de -  
 2 lov - ing rev - erence bow; here for faith's dis - cern - ment  
 3 old in Beth - le - hem, here as there thine an - gels  
 4 all when thou wast slain, in its full - ness un - di -  
 5 Rock with stream - ing side, heaven and earth with loud ho -

Al - le -

1 fend - er, lift - est up thy peo - ple's head.  
 2 pray we, lest we fail to know thee now.  
 3 hail thee, branch and flower of Jes - se's stem.  
 4 min - ished shall for ev - er - more re - main.  
 5 san - na wor - ship thee, the Lamb who died.

lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia!

1 Je - sus, true and liv - ing  
 2 Thou art here, we ask not  
 3 We in wor - ship join with  
 4 Cleans - ing us from ev - ery  
 5 Risen, a - scend - ed, glo - ri -

1 bread! Je - sus, true and liv - ing bread!  
 2 how. Thou art here, we ask not how.  
 3 them. We in wor - ship join with them.  
 4 stain. Cleans - ing us from ev - ery stain.  
 5 fied! Risen, a - scend - ed, glo - ri - fied!

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All stand as they are able.

**POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

Presider: Let us pray.

**All: 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.**

# THE BLESSING

The Presider blesses the People, and the People respond,

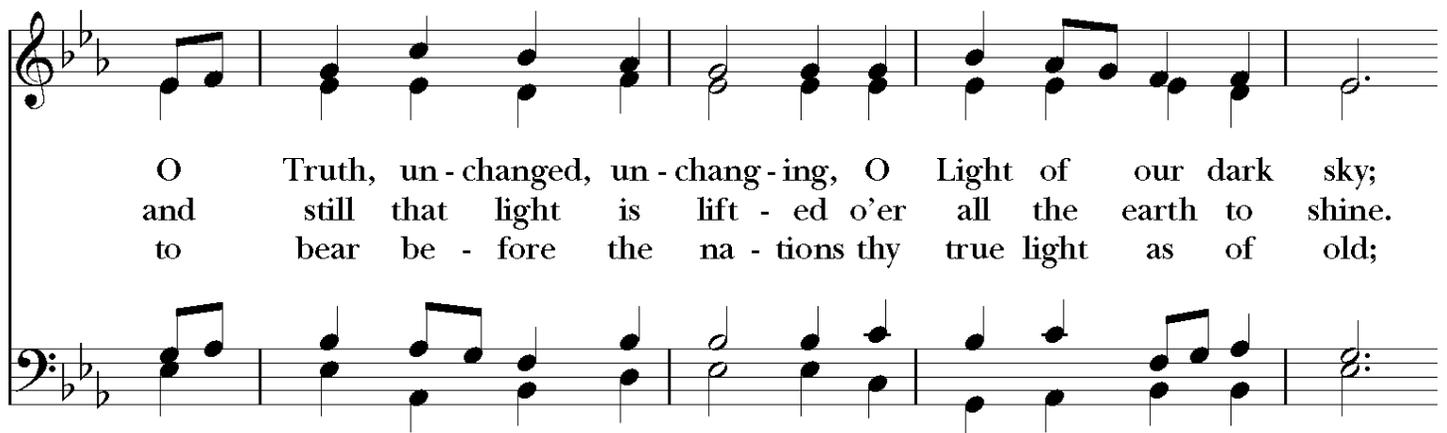
**People: Amen.**

## CLOSING HYMN

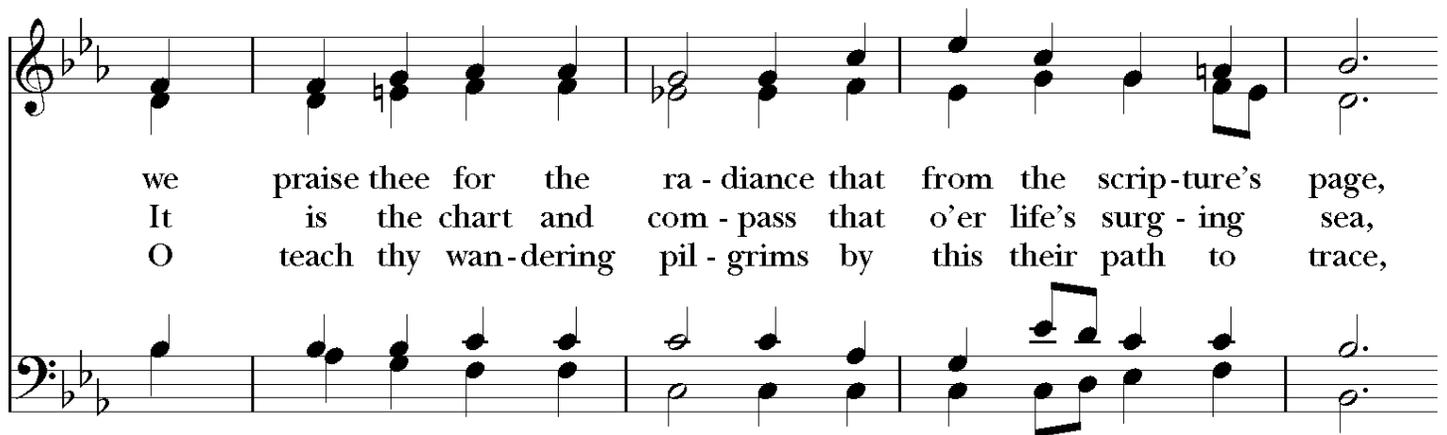
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1 O Christ, the Word In - car - nate, O Wis - dom from on high,  
2 The Church from our dear Mas - ter re - ceived the word di - vine,  
3 O make thy Church, dear Sa - vior, a lamp of pur - est gold,



O Truth, un - changed, un - chang - ing, O Light of our dark sky;  
and still that light is lift - ed o'er all the earth to shine.  
to bear be - fore the na - tions thy true light as of old;



we praise thee for the ra - diance that from the scrip - ture's page,  
It is the chart and com - pass that o'er life's surg - ing sea,  
O teach thy wan - dering pil - grims by this their path to trace,

a lan - tern to our foot - steps, shines on from age to age.  
 mid mists and rocks and quick - sands, still guides, O Christ, to thee.  
 till, clouds and dark - ness end - ed, they see thee face to face.

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## THE DISMISSAL

Presider: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE

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