THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY THE BAPTISM OF CHRIST

JANUARY 12, 2025 9:00 AM





WELCOME TO ST. MICHAEL'S!

WE MANIFEST JOY through vibrant worship, beautiful music, and the active participation and nurturing of our children and youth.

WE EMBRACE RESILIENCE by learning each other's stories, proclaiming the Good News of God's unconditional love, and strengthening our capacity to hope.

WE SEEK JUSTICE by advocating for political change, continuing our work as an Immigrant Welcoming Congregation, and striving to understand our role in social, economic, and racial inequality.

WE LIVE IN LOVE through our Baptismal Promises to welcome and respect the dignity of every human being, care for God's creation, and engage in the ministry of Jesus to bring light, healing, and grace to our world.

We are grounded in the Episcopal Church tradition, expressed from the creative perspective of our community. We are learning how to live into the bilingual and multicultural diversity of our congregation, and seeking silence and stillness to glean insight from the Holy Spirit among us. Episcopal worship gathers the hearts and prayers of everyone present and involves call and response between the leader and the assembly. You'll find the responses of the community here, in bold type, marked "People."

Children are welcome here, voices and wiggles and all! While the very young (infants to five years) are invited to play in our childcare room on the lower level, children may prefer to remain in worship with their families. Coloring and reading books for children are located at the back of the church.

We'd love to know more about you! Please fill out a welcome card from the pew, place it in the offering plate when it comes by, and we'll be in touch to get to know you. You may also email us using the addresses listed on the back cover.

Thank you for coming together!

St. Michael & All Angels, located in Multnomah County, rests on the traditional homelands of the Multnomah, Kathlamet, Clackamas, Molalla, Tumwater, Watlala bands of the Chinook, the Tualatin Kalapuya, and many other indigenous nations of the Columbia River. We acknowledge the ancestors of this place and understand that we are here because of the sacrifices forced upon them. By recognizing these communities, we honor their legacy, their lives, and their descendants.

St Michael & All Angels Episcopal Church acknowledges the gifts of sacred music written by African Americans, indigenous peoples and all people of color. This music enriches our liturgies, and we are grateful for these musicians. Music of oppressed cultures has been appropriated by the dominant culture without an appreciation of the pain and suffering experienced by its creators. We repent and commit to the work of racial justice and ending racism.

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THE COMMUNITY GATHERS FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE

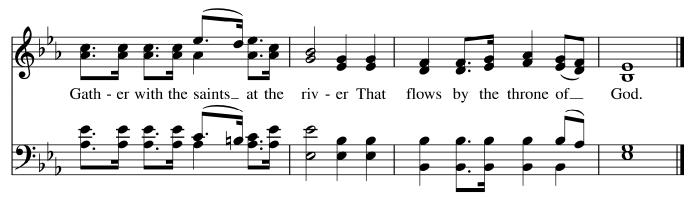
Shall we gather at the river

arr. Vicki Collinsworth

Please stand as able



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Words: Robert Lowry (1826-1899). Music: Robert Lowry.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Presider Blessed be God: most holy, glorious, and undivided Trinity.

People And blessed be God's reign, now and for ever. Amen.

The Presider then continues

There is one Body and one Spirit;

People There is one hope in God's call to us;

Presider One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

People One God and Father of all.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider God be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray together.

Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

Please be seated

THE FIRST READING Isaiah 43:1-7

Lector A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

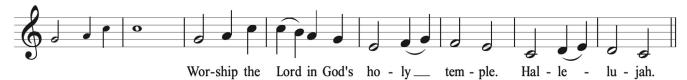
The prophet God's love for the people, calling them by name, and promising to gather them from all corners of the earth because they are precious and created for God's glory.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 29

Choir first, then All:



- 1 Ascribe to the LORD, you gods, * ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.
- Ascribe to the LORD the glory due God's Name; *
 worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness. **REFRAIN**
- The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders; *
 the LORD is upon the mighty waters.
- The voice of the LORD is a powerful voice; *
 the voice of the LORD is a voice of splendor. **REFRAIN**
- The voice of the LORD breaks the cedar trees; * the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon;
- 6 God makes Lebanon skip like a calf, * and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox. REFRAIN
- 7 The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire; the voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness; * the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.
- 8 The voice of the LORD makes the oak trees writhe * and strips the forests bare.
- 9 And in the temple of the LORD * all are crying, "Glory!" **REFRAIN**
- The LORD sits enthroned above the flood; *
 the LORD sits enthroned as Sovereign for evermore.
- The LORD shall give strength to God's people; *
 the LORD shall give God's people the blessing of peace. **REFRAIN**

THE SECOND READING

Acts 8:14-17

Lector A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Peter and John are sent to Samaria after hearing that the Samaritans had accepted the word of God; they pray for the new believers to receive the Holy Spirit, which has not yet come upon them, laying hands on them to impart the Spirit.

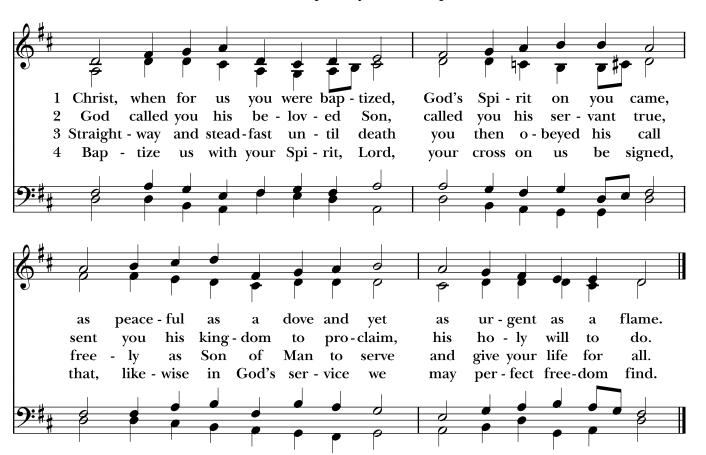
Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

Please stand as able

SEQUENCE HYMN 121 Christ, when for us you were baptized

Caithness



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Please remain standing as able

THE GOSPELLuke 3:15-17, 21-22

The Deacon or Priest says

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ, according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

John the Baptist says he's not the Messiah, but Jesus is, and when Jesus is baptized, the Holy Spirit comes down like a dove, and God's voice says, "You are my beloved Son."

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Please be seated

THE SERMON

Please observe a moment of quiet reflection

All remain seated

PRESENTATION AND EXAMINATION OF THE CANDIDATES

The Presider says

The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Then the candidate is presented individually by Parents and Sponsors, saying

I present Jamarion Wallace to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

The Presider then asks the candidate

Do you desire to be baptized?

Candidate I do.

Then the Presider asks the following questions of the candidate.

Presider Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against

God?

Candidate I renounce them.

Presider Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the

creatures of God?

Candidate I renounce them.

Presider Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Candidate I renounce them.

Presider Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

Candidate I do.

Presider Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Candidate I do.

Presider Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

Candidate I do.

Please stand as able

The Presider then addresses the congregation, saying

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support this person in his life in Christ?

People We will.

The Presider then says

Let us join with Jamarion, who is committing himself to Christ, and renew our own baptismal covenant.

THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

Presider Do you believe in God the Father?

People I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Presider Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People 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 to the dead.

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.

Presider Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People 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.

Presider Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of the bread,

and in the prayers?

People I will, with God's help.

Presider Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to

the Lord?

People I will, with God's help.

Presider Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People I will, with God's help.

Presider Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People I will, with God's help.

Presider Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every

human being?

People I will, with God's help.

PRAYERS FOR THE CANDIDATE

The Presider then says to the congregation

Let us now pray for Jamarion, who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth, responding with, "Hear our prayer, O God."

A Person appointed leads the following petitions

Leader Deliver Jamarion, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People Hear our prayer, O God.

Leader Open his heart to your grace and truth.

People Hear our prayer, O God.

Leader Fill him with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People Hear our prayer, O God.

Leader Keep him in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

People Hear our prayer, O God.

Leader Teach him to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People Hear our prayer, O God.

Leader Send him into the world in witness to your love.

People Hear our prayer, O God.

Leader Bring him to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People Hear our prayer, O God.

Presider Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever. Amen.

Water is then poured into the font

THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

The Presider blesses the water, first saying

God be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us give thanks to God.

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Presider continues

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life. We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are

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buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

At the following words, the Presider touches the water

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE BAPTISM

The Presider pours water upon the candidate's head, saying

Jamarion, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Then, the Presider anoints and places a hand on the person's head, saying

Jamarion, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. Amen.

Then, the Presider presents the candidate with a lighted candle, saying Jamarion, receive the light of Christ, and shine forth as Christ's light in the world. **Amen.**

The Presider then prays over them, saying

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon your servant the forgiveness of sin, and have raised him to the new life of grace. Sustain Jamarion, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give him an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **Amen.**

The Presider then says

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

All We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

The newly-baptized then processes throughout the assembly as a hymn is sung.



- 1 Wash, O God, our sons and daugh-ters, where your cleans-ing wa-ters flow.
- 2 We who bring them long for nur ture; by your milk may we be fed.
- 3 Oh, how deep your ho-ly wis dom! Un im ag ined, all your ways!



Num-ber them a - mong your peo - ple; bless as Christ blessed long a - go. Let us join your feast, par - tak - ing cup of bless - ing, liv - ing bread. To your name be glo - ry, hon - or! With our lives we wor-ship, praise!



Weave them gar-ments bright and spark-ling; com-pass them with love and light. God, re - new us, guide our foot-steps; free from sin and all its snares, We your peo - ple stand be - fore you, wa - ter-washed and Spir - it - born.



Fill, a - noint them; send your Spir - it, ho - ly dove and heart's de - light. one with Christ in liv - ing, dy - ing, by your Spir - it, chil - dren, heirs. By your grace, our lives we of - fer. Re-cre - ate us; God, trans-form!

Text: Ruth Duck, b. 1947

Music: BEACH SPRING, The Sacred Harp, Philadelphia, 1844

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THE PEACE

The Presider says

The peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

Please greet each other with a sign of peace

Please be seated

A WORD OF WELCOME

A PRAYER FOR BIRTHDAYS AND MILESTONES

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants 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 HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY

The Presider says the Offertory Sentence

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

The Baptism of Jesus

Peter R. Hallock (1924-2014)

Carleena Manzi, soloist

Jesus autem hodie regressus est a Jordane. Jesus was on this day baptized in the Jordan.

When Christ baptised was, the Holy Ghost descended with grace; the Father's voice was heard in the place: *Hic est filius meus, ipsum intende*. (This is my son, listen to him.)

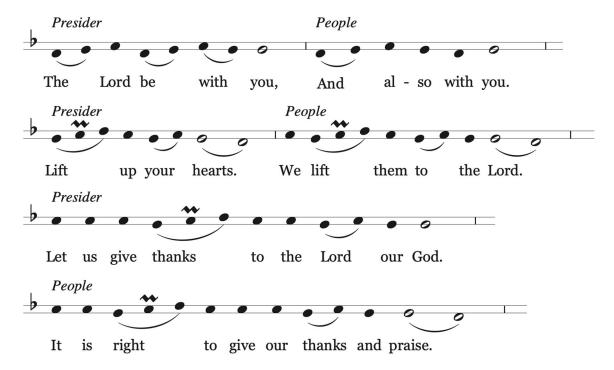
There were Three Persons and one Lord, the Son baptised with one accord, the Father said this blessed word: *Hic est filius meus, ipsum intende.*

Now, Jesus, as thou art both God and man, and were baptised in from Jordan, at our last end, we pray thee, say then: *Hic est filius meus, ipsum intende*.

Please stand as able

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer A

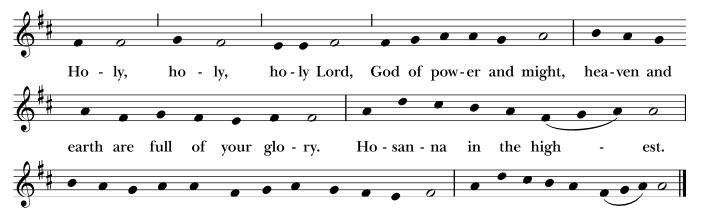


The Presider continues

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth. Because in Jesus Christ our Lord you have received us as your beloved children, made us citizens of your kingdom, and given us the Holy Spirit to guide us into truth.

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:

SANCTUS New Plainsong



Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est. Music: From *New Plainsong*; David Hurd (b. 1950). Copyright © 1981 GIA Publications, Inc.

The Presider continues

Holy and gracious God: 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 maker of all. Jesus stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Savior 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 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 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:

Presider and People

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

The Presider continues

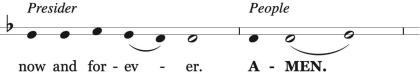
We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, Almighty God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ's death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

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 Christ. 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 Jesus Christ our Savior.

By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God,

Presider

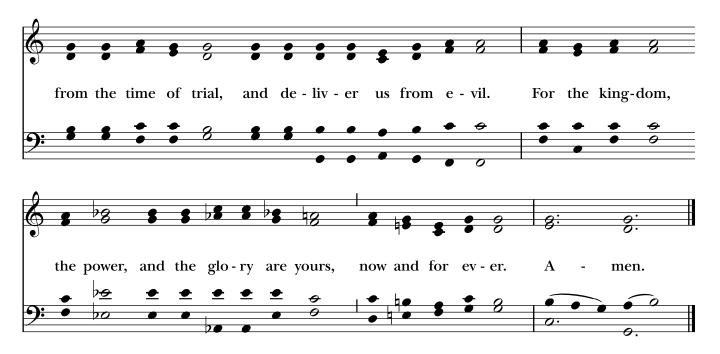
People



THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

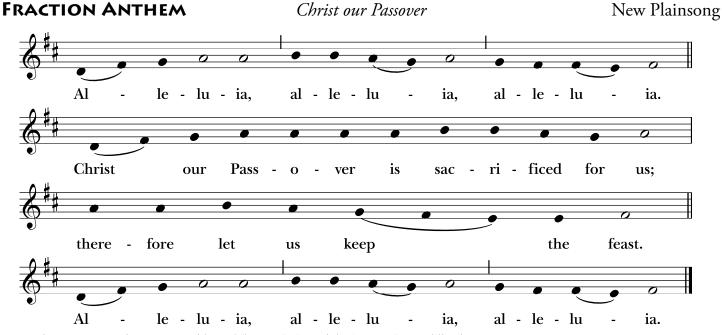




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THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.



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THE INVITATION

The Presider says

Come to this table, all who have much faith and all who would like to have more; all who have been here often and all who have not been for a long time; all who have tried to follow Jesus, and all who have failed; come. It is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

All are welcome to share in Holy Communion.

Please be seated until invited by the Ushers to move forward to stand or kneel at the altar.

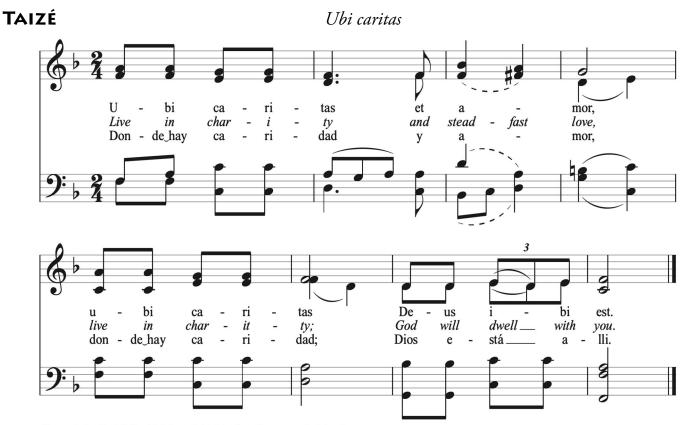
To receive only a blessing, place arms in an "x" across your chest as the priest approaches.

To share the bread, extend hands open, palms up, one on top of the other.

To share the cup, take hold of the base and guide it to your mouth.

If not desiring to receive the wine, fold arms in an "x" over your chest as the cup passes by.

Healing prayers are available in the Columbarium (left door) during Holy Communion, and in the Chapel (right door) following the service.



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Please stand as able

SENDING OUT OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

Presider In the name of this congregation we send you forth to share this Eucharist with N.

All You carry the prayers of us all as you take this Sacrament of Christ's presence. May those who receive it be strengthened and encouraged in the life we find together in our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

BLESSING OF PRAYER SHAWLS

Presider Let us pray.

All May God's grace be upon these shawls, created with prayers for comfort, healing and well-being. May each mantle be a safe haven, a sacred place. May those embraced by these shawls feel upheld by unseen hands, be strengthened on their way and encircled with God's love in all things. Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

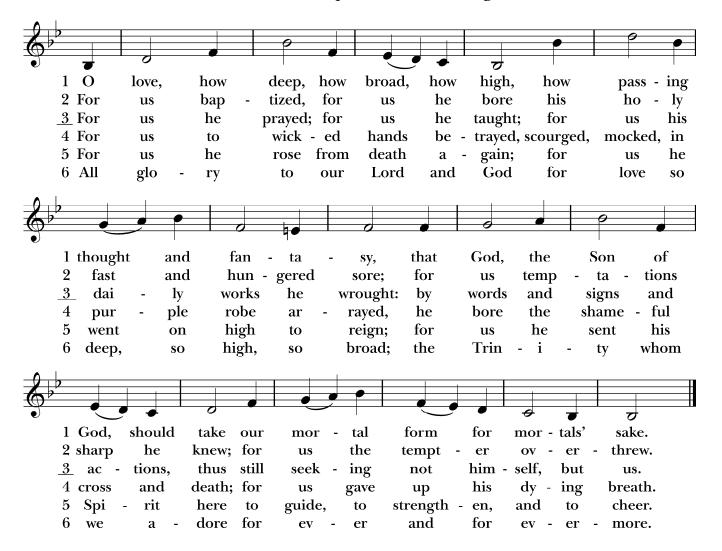
Presider Let us pray.

All God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

HYMN 448

O love, how deep, how broad, how high

Deus tuorum militum



Words: Latin, 15th cent.; tr. Benjamin Webb (1819-1885), alt. Music: *Deus tuorum militum*, from *Antiphoner*, 1753; adapt. *The English Hymnal*, 1906, alt.; harm. after Basil Harwood (1859-1949).

THE DISMISSAL

The Deacon or Priest dismisses the people, saying

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Response Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Vom Himmel kam der Engel Schar, BWV 607

J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

Assisting in the Service Today

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