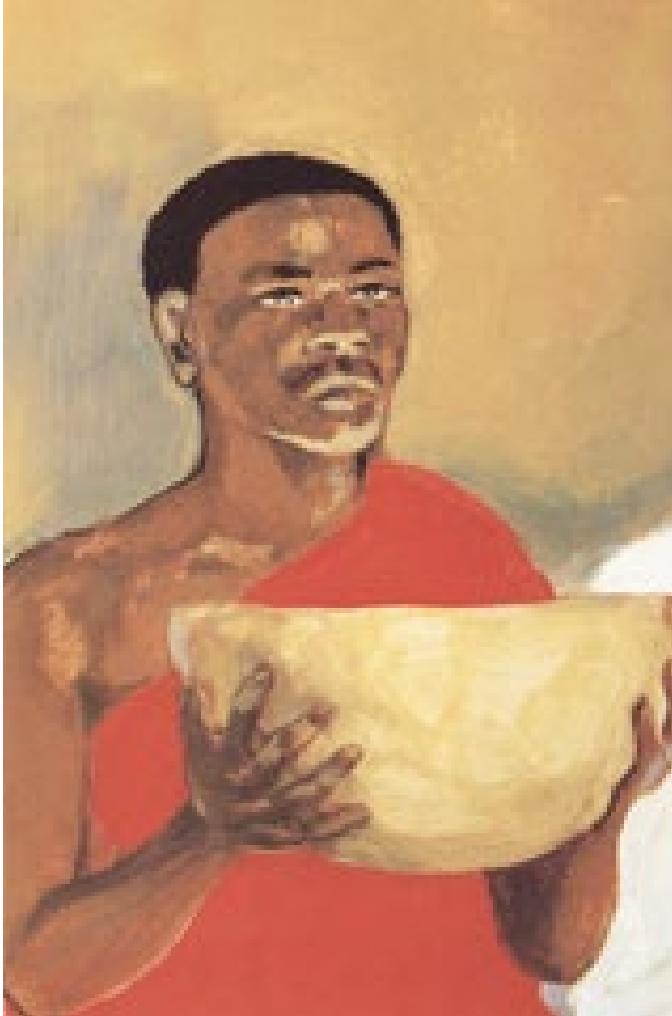


**The Episcopal Parish of Saint Paul**  
**Newton Highlands, Massachusetts**

**Third Sunday after The Epiphany**

**Holy Eucharist  
and  
Annual Meeting of the Parish**

**January 25, 2026 at 10:00am**



*From wherever you have come, with whatever you bring, you are welcome here.*

# THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY (YEAR A)

## Holy Eucharist with Joyful Noise

### Prelude

*Musicians*

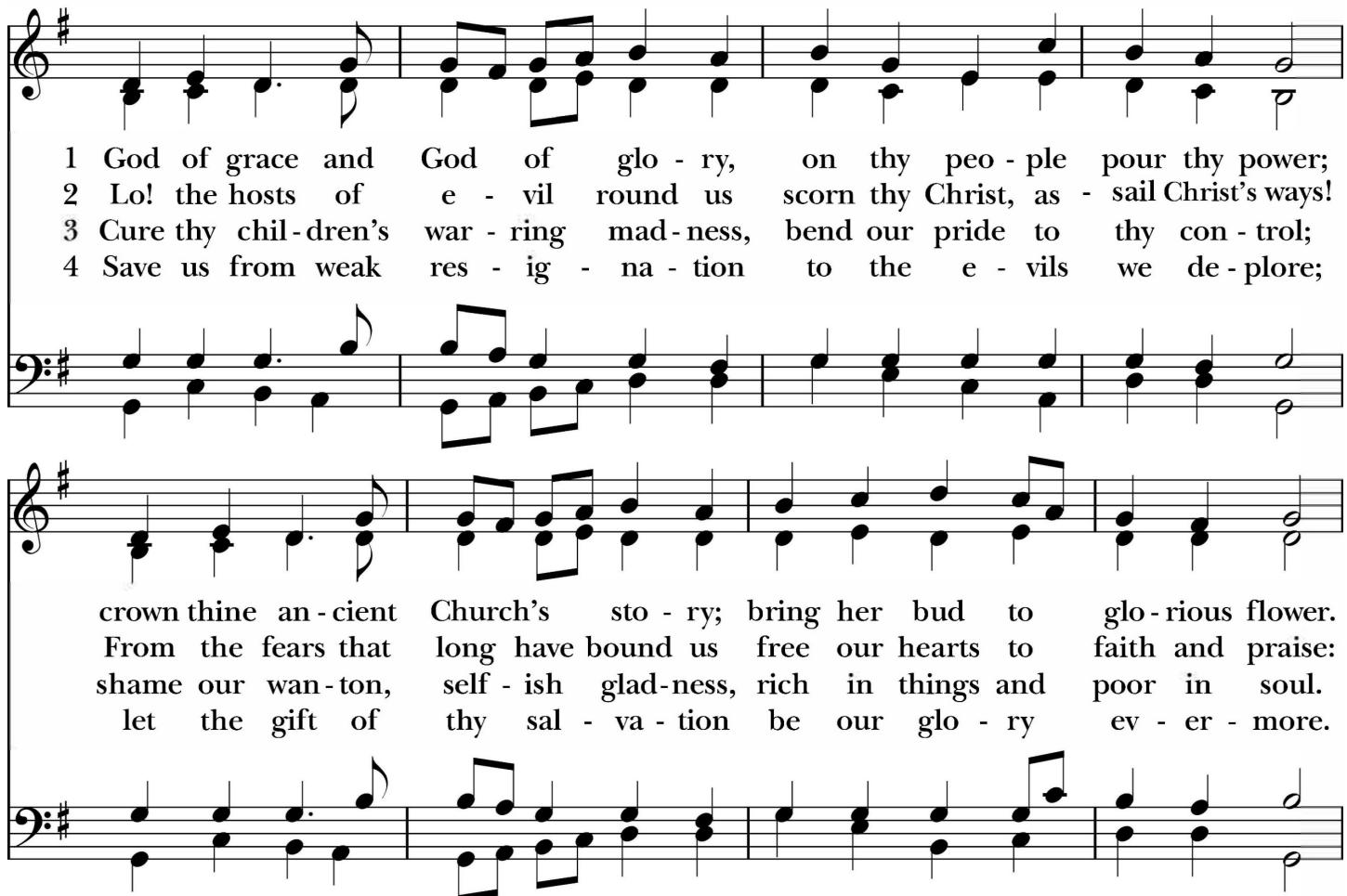
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### Gathering Rites / *Book of Common Prayer* p. 355

### Gathering Hymn

*Please rise as you are comfortable.*

*HYMNAL 1982, #594 – God of Grace and God of Glory*



1. God of grace and God of glo-ry, on thy peo-ple pour thy power;  
2. Lo! the hosts of e - vil round us scorn thy Christ, as - sail Christ's ways!  
3. Cure thy chil-dren's war - ring mad-ness, bend our pride to thy con - trol;  
4. Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion to the e - vils we de - plore;

crown thine an - cient Church's sto - ry; bring her bud to glo - rious flower.  
From the fears that long have bound us free our hearts to faith and praise:  
shame our wan - ton, self --ish glad-ness, rich in things and poor in soul.  
let the gift of thy sal - va - tion be our glo - ry ev - er - more.

Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, for the fac - ing of this  
 grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, for the liv - ing of these  
 Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, lest we miss thy kin-dom's  
 Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, serv - ing thee whom we a -

hour, for the fac - ing of this hour.  
 days, for the liv - ing of these days.  
 goal, lest we miss thy kin-dom's goal.  
 dore, serv - ing thee whom we a - dore.

Section: Christian Responsibility Title: God of grace and God of glory Meter: 87. 87. 877 Words: Harry Emerson Fosdick (1878-1969), alt. Music: *Cwm Rhondda*, John Hughes (1873-1932) Copyright: Words: By permission of the author.

## Opening Acclamation

*Presider* Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

*People* Glory to God for ever and ever.

## The Collect for Purity

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Savior.

Amen.

# The Gloria

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1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and  
 peace to God's peo - ple on earth. 2. O God, Ma - jes -  
 ty, al - might - y God, Cre - a - tor, we wor - ship you, we  
 give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. O Je - sus  
 Christ, on - ly Child of the Au - thor, O God, Lamb of God, 4. you  
 take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - - cy  
 on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Au - thor: re -  
 ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,  
 you a - lone are our God, 7. you a - lone are the Most  
 High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - - ly Spi - rit, in the  
 glo - ry of God Cre - a - tor. A - - men.

## Collect of the Day

*Presider* God be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Presider* Let us pray.

Give us grace, O God, to answer readily the call of our Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the Good News of Christ's salvation, that we and the whole world may perceive the glory of Christ's marvelous works; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

## THE WORD OF GOD

*Please be seated*

The First Reading

*Isaiah 9:1-4*

There will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time God brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time God will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations.

The people who walked in darkness  
have seen a great light;

those who lived in a land of deep darkness--  
on them light has shined.

You have multiplied the nation,  
you have increased its joy;

they rejoice before you  
as with joy at the harvest,  
as people exult when dividing plunder.

For the yoke of their burden,  
and the bar across their shoulders,

the rod of their oppressor,  
you have broken as on the day of Midian.

*Lector*    Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.  
*People*    **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm

*Psalm 27:1,5-13*

*We will pray the psalm responsively by whole verse*

God is my light and my salvation;  
whom then shall I fear?  
God is the strength of my life;  
of whom then shall I be afraid?

**One thing have I asked of you, O God;**  
**one thing I seek:**  
**that I may dwell in your house all the days of my life,**

To behold your fair beauty, O God,  
and to seek you in your temple.

**For in the day of trouble you shall keep me safe in your shelter;**  
**you shall hide me in the secrecy of your dwelling**  
**and set me high upon a rock.**

Even now you lift up my head  
above my enemies round about me.

**Therefore I will offer in your dwelling an oblation**  
**with sounds of great gladness;**  
**I will sing and make music to you.**

Hearken to my voice, O Most High, when I call;  
have mercy on me and answer me.

You speak in my heart and say, “Seek my face.”

Your face, O God, will I seek.

Hide not your face from me,  
nor turn away your servant in displeasure.

You have been my helper;  
cast me not away;  
do not forsake me, O God of my salvation.

*This week's Psalm is from the St. Helena Psalter*

## The Second Reading

*1 Corinthians 1:10-18*

Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, my siblings, by the name of our Savior Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my beloved siblings. What I mean is that each of you says, “I belong to Paul,” or “I belong to Apollos,” or “I belong to Cephas,” or “I belong to Christ.” Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power.

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

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

*People*      Thanks be to God.

# Sequence Hymn

*Please rise as you are comfortable.*

## Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness

1 Praise the One who breaks the dark - ness with a  
2 Praise the One who blessed the chil - dren with a  
3 Praise the one true love in - car - nate: Christ, who

lib - er - at-ing light; praise the One who frees the  
strong yet gen-tle word; praise the One who drove out  
suf - fered in our place; Je - sus died and rose for

pris - 'ners, turn-ing blind - ness in - to sight.  
de - mons with a pierc - ing, two-edged sword.  
man - y that we may know God by grace.



Praise the One who preached the gospel, healing  
Praise the One who brings cool water to the  
Let us sing for joy and gladness, seeing



des- ert's burn-ing sand; from this well comes liv- ing  
what our God has done. Praise the one re - deem-ing



wa - ter quench-ing thirst in ev - 'ry land.

glo - ry; praise the One who makes us one.



*Presider* The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Matthew.  
*People* Glory to you, O Christ.

When Jesus heard that John had been arrested, Jesus withdrew to Galilee, leaving Nazareth to make a home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

“Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali,  
on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the  
Gentiles—

the people who sat in darkness  
have seen a great light,

and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death  
light has dawned.”

From that time Jesus began to proclaim, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.”

As Jesus walked by the Sea of Galilee, Jesus saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew, Peter’s brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fisherfolk. And Jesus said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.” Immediately they left their nets and followed Jesus. As Jesus went from there, Jesus saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and James’s brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and Jesus called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed Jesus.

Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

Presider The Gospel of our Savior.  
People Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

*Priest-In-Charge*

## The Nicene Creed

*The Nicene Creed is the historic statement of faith of the Church. It helps to knit the Church together across peoples and places, time and space. We pray it together as a single body, a member of the one holy catholic and apostolic Church.*



1. I be - lieve in God al - might - y, Au - thor of all things that  
2. I be - lieve that Je - sus suf - fered, scourged and scorned and cru - ci -  
3. I be - lieve in God's own Spir - it, bond - ing all the saints with -

be, Mak - er of the earth and heav - ens, Keep - er of the sky and  
fied; tak - en from the cross, was bur - ied— True Life there had tru - ly  
in One church, cath - o - lic and ho - ly, where for - give - ness frees from

sea. I be - lieve in God's Child, Je - sus, now for  
died. I be - lieve that on the third day Christ was  
sin; in the bod - y's res - ur - rec - tion, for the

us Rab - bi and Christ, of the Spir - it and of  
 raised up from the grave, then as - cend - ed to God's  
 break - ing of death's chain gives the life that's ev - er -

Mar - y born to bring a - bun - dant life.  
 right hand. Christ will come to judge and save.  
 last - ing. This the faith that I have claimed.

Words: Sylvia G. Dunstan (1955-1993). Music: Domhnach Trionoide, Gaelic melody; harm. Richard Proulx (b. 1937).

## Prayers of the People

*Intercessor* Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Loving God, that all who praise your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. We pray for the worldwide Anglican Communion, for the Episcopal Church, for our presiding bishop, Sean, and our diocesan bishop, Julia. We pray for all ministers – lay and ordained – and we pray for our own Parish of St. Paul; St. Stephen's Church, Boston; Trinity Church, Boston; B-SAFE; and for non-parochial clergy. Either in silence or aloud, for whom else in the Church do we pray today? (*You are invited to add your own prayers.*)

*Silence*

God, in your mercy  
**Hear our prayer.**

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace, that we may honor one another and serve the common good. Either in silence or aloud, for which peoples and leaders of the world do we pray today? (*You are invited to add your own prayers.*)

*Silence*

God, in your mercy  
**Hear our prayer.**

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory. Either in silence or aloud, for what in God's creation do we pray today? (*You are invited to add your own prayers.*)

*Silence*

God, in your mercy  
**Hear our prayer.**

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as Christ loves us. Either in silence or aloud, for whom and what do we give thanks in our lives today? (*You are invited to add your own thanksgivings.*)

*Silence*

God, in your mercy  
**Hear our prayer.**

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; all those who suffer from addiction or depression; all those who live in and with

fear; and all those who may need encouragement and uplift. Give them courage and hope, and bring them the joy of your peace and salvation. We pray especially for Bernice Cramer and her family; Gabriel and his family; Phil; Julia; Ryan; Nancy Williamson; Jim Nolan; David Murphy; David Tabors; Kristin; Deb; Tom; Sean and Jack; and for the peoples and ministries of the Global Village Children's Project, the Centre Street Food Pantry, AA, and NewCity Church. Either in silence or aloud, for whom else do we pray today? (*You are invited to add your own prayers.*)

*Silence*

God, in your mercy  
**Hear our prayer.**

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kindom. Either in silence or aloud, whom do we remember today by name? (*You are invited to offer names.*)

*Silence*

God, in your mercy  
**Hear our prayer.**

Prayer for the Social Order (*BCP* p. 824)

*Intercessor* Together let us pray.

*All* O God, you have bound us together in a common life.  
Help us, in the midst of our struggles for justice and truth, to confront one another without hatred or bitterness, and to work together with mutual forbearance and respect; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

*Silence*

*Presider offers a collect*

## Confession of Sin and Absolution

*Presider* Let us confess our sins against God, our neighbor, and ourselves.

*Silence*

*All* O God, we bring you our failure, our hunger, our disappointment, our despair, our greed, our arrogance, and our fear. We have not loved you with our whole hearts. We have not truly loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are sorry, we are humbled, and we pray that you will strengthen us with your grace. We turn to you, O God. We renounce evil, we claim love, we choose to be made whole. Forgive us and renew us now.

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

"Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light" (*Mt. 11:28-30*).

## The Peace

*Presider* The peace of Christ be always with you.

*All* **And also with you.**

*The congregation is invited to exchange signs of peace.*

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

## Offertory Sentence

## Offertory Anthem

*Choir*

### Dear Lord and Author of Mankind

*Dear Lord and Father of mankind,  
forgive our foolish ways!  
Reclothe us in our rightful mind;  
in purer lives Thy service find,  
in deeper rev'rence, praise.*

*In simple trust like theirs who heard,  
beside the Syrian sea,  
the gracious calling of the Lord,  
let us, like them, without a word  
Rise up and follow Thee.*

*O Sabbath rest by Galilee!  
O calm of hills above,  
where Jesus knelt to share with Thee  
the silence of eternity,  
interpreted by love!*

*Drop Thy still dews of quietness,  
till all our strivings cease;  
take from our souls the strain and stress,  
and let our ordered lives confess  
the beauty of Thy peace.*

*Breathe through the heats of our desire  
Thy coolness and Thy balm;*

*let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;  
speak through the earthquake, wind and fire,  
O still small voice of calm!*

Text: John Greenleaf Whittier (1807-1892)

Music: Charles Hubert Parry (1848-1918)

## The Doxology – *Old Hundredth*

*Please rise as you are comfortable.*

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow  
Praise God all creatures here below  
Praise God above all life and death  
Creator, Christ, and Holy Breath. Amen.*

## Eucharistic Prayer B

*Presider* God be with you.

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

*Presider* Lift up your hearts.

*People* **We lift them to God.**

*Presider* Let us give thanks to the Holy One our God.

*People* **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

*Presider*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth.

*Presider offers a Preface.*

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:

## *Presider and People*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly One, God of power and  
might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly One,  
God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are  
full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Bless'd is the One who comes

in the name of our God Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Section: The Holy Eucharist Title: The Holy Eucharist II, Holy, holy, holy Lord: *Sanctus* Music: From *Deutsche Messe*, Franz Peter Schubert (1797-1828); arr. Richard Proulx (b. 1937) Copyright: Copyright © 1985 GIA Publications, Inc.

*Please rise, sit, or kneel as you are comfortable.*

*The Presider continues*

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. For in these last days you sent Jesus to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In Christ, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In Christ, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before Jesus died for us, our Savior Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his 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.”

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith.

*Presider and People*

**Christ has died, Christ has risen, Christ will come again**

*The Presider continues*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Savior of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and the Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, through whom we are all acceptable to you, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with [ \_\_\_\_\_ and] all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your children; through Jesus Christ our Savior, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

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

*You are invited to say whichever version of the Lord's Prayer moves you.*

*Presider*

As our savior Christ has taught us, we now pray

**Our Loving God in heaven,  
hallowed be your Name,  
your kindom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial,  
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kindom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and for ever. Amen.**

## The Breaking of the Bread

Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:  
give us your peace, give us your peace.

Section: The Holy Eucharist Title: The Holy Eucharist, Fraction Anthem: Jesus, Lamb of God: *Agnus Dei* Music: From *Deutsche Messe*; Franz Peter Schubert (1797-1828); arr. Richard Proulx (b. 1937) Copyright: Adaptation: Copyright © 1985 GIA Publications, Inc.

*Presider*

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

## Communion

*Jesus says, “Come and see.”*

*You are welcome at this Table, exactly as you are, because of who you are. If you feel called to the Table, please come forward to receive Communion.*

*Gluten-free communion bread is available. Please let the priest know when you come for communion.*

*If you do not wish to receive the consecrated wine, please know that receiving the consecrated bread alone constitutes a full Communion.*

*If you do not desire Communion, you are welcome to come forward for a blessing – please cross your arms over your chest to indicate that you desire a blessing.*

### *Prayer of Spiritual Communion*

*(The following prayer of Spiritual Communion is said privately and is intended for individuals participating remotely, and for individuals who may not wish to receive Communion or a blessing.)*

*In union, O God, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. And since I cannot receive you today in the sacrament of bread and wine, I ask you to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.*

# Postcommunion Hymn

*You are invited to stand, sit, or kneel as you are comfortable.*

## WLP #757 – Will You Come and Follow Me?

1. Will you come and fol - low me if  
2. Will you leave your self be - hind if  
3. Will you let the blind - ed see if  
4. Will you love the "You" you hide if  
5. Christ, your sum-mons ech - oes true when

I but call your name? Will you go where you don't know and  
I but call your name? Will you care for cruel and kind and  
I but call your name? Will you set the pris - 'ner free and  
I but call your name? Will you quell the fear in - side and  
you but call my name. Let me turn and fol - low you and

nev-er be the same? Will you let my love be shown? Will you  
nev-er be the same? Will you risk the hos - tile stare should your  
nev-er be the same? Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do  
nev-er be the same? Will you use the faith you've found to re -  
nev-er be the same. In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your



let my Name be known? Will you let my life be grown in  
 life at - tract or scare? Will you let me an - swer prayer in  
 such as this un - seen? And ad - mit to what I mean in  
 shape the world a - round through my sight and touch and sound in  
 love and foot - steps show, thus I'll move and live and grow in

A musical staff in 3/2 time, treble and bass clefs, and a key signature of four flats. It features harmonic chords in the upper and lower staves.

1. 2. 3. 4.

5. (Final Ending)



you and you in me?  
 you and you in me?  
 you and you in me?  
 you and you in me?

5. you and you in me.

A musical staff in 3/2 and 4/4 time, treble and bass clefs, and a key signature of four flats. It features harmonic chords in the upper and lower staves.

Section: Christian Pilgrimage Title: Will you come and follow me Meter: 13. 13. 7. 7. 13 Words: from the Iona Community Music: *Mary Alexandra*, John L. Hooker (b. 1944)

## Postcommunion Prayer

*You are invited to stand as you are comfortable.*

*People and Presider*

**Eternal God,**

you have graciously accepted us as living members  
of our Savior Jesus Christ,  
whose love is the source of all life and the desire of our lives,  
and you have fed us with spiritual food  
in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.

Send us now into the world in peace,  
in the promise of Christ's love, which defeats evil and death,  
and grant us strength and courage,  
in face of fear and doubt,  
through the power of the Holy Spirit,  
to be the church, a community of flawed and forgiving disciples,  
to love and serve you,  
to seek justice and to live in peace,  
with gladness and singleness of heart;  
**through Christ our Savior. Amen.**

*The Postcommunion Prayer is an adaptation from the Holy Eucharist: Rite Two (Expansive Edition) and the Statement of Faith from the Iona Abbey Worship Book (2001).*

## Blessing

# Processional Hymn

## Draw the Circle Wide

Refrain



Draw the cir - cle wide. Draw it wid - er still.



Let this be our song, no one stands a - lone, stand-ing side by



side, draw the cir - cle wide.



wide. Draw the cir - cle

1. God the still - point of the cir - cle,  
2. Let our hearts touch far ho - ri - zons,  
3. Let the dreams we dream be larg - er,



1. 'Round whom all cre - a - tion turns; Noth-ing lost, but  
2. So en - com-pass great and small; Let our lov - ing  
3. Than we've ev - er dreamed be - fore; Let the dream of



1. held for - ev - er, In God's gra - cious arms.  
2. know no bor - ders, Faith - ful to God's call.  
3. Christ be in us, O - pen ev - ery door.

to Refrain

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## Announcements

# Dismissal

*You are invited to stand as you are comfortable.*

*Presider* Our worship has ended, let our service begin. Go in peace to love and serve God, God's people, and God's world.

*People* Thanks be to God.

## Annual Meeting of the Parish



### TODAY'S LITURGY

#### Participants

The Rev. Dr. Meghan T. Sweeney – Priest-In-Charge

Mary Lou Pierron – Lector of First Reading and Leader of Psalm

Kathryn Anderson – Lector of Second Reading

Carter Lustig – Acolyte

Margaret Hummel – Lay Eucharistic Minister and Intercessor

Brenda Carter – Pianist

Margaret Hummel and Mary Lou Pierron – Altar Guild

Eliza Blay – Usher

Chris Gruener and David Montgomery – Counters

Adam Taylor – Tech

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## PRAYERS

### In Our Diocesan Cycle Of Prayer:

For the Episcopal Church; for Sean Rowe, our Presiding Bishop, and Julia Whitworth, our Diocesan Bishop; all ministers – lay and ordained – and we pray for our own Parish of St Paul; St. Stephen's Church, Boston; Trinity Church, Boston; B-SAFE; and for non-parochial clergy.

### Parish Prayer List – Prayers are Requested for:

Bernice Cramer and her family; Gabriel and his family; Phil; Julia; Ryan; Nancy Williamson; Jim Nolan; David Murphy; David Tabors; Kristin; Deb; Tom; Sean and Jack; and for the Global Village Children's Project, the Centre Street Food Pantry, AA, and NewCity Church.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### What's Happening at the Parish of St. Paul - Save the Dates!

- Today, Sunday, January 25: Parish Annual Meeting immediately following 10am Holy Eucharist
- Monday, February 2: Candlemas Celebration at 6pm at All Saints, Brookline
- Friday, February 6: Pizza and Compline at 7pm

### Today - Parish Annual Meeting

We gather together for our Annual Meeting of the parish, immediately following the conclusion of our 10am Holy Eucharist. **Annual Meeting booklets** were sent out electronically in this week's parish newsletter, and hard copies are available on the table to the entrance of the sanctuary.

### Pizza and Compline - Friday, February 6 at 7pm

Grounded in the night prayers said before bed at the end of the monastic round of daily prayer (the liturgy of the hours), Compline is a simple evening service of readings and prayers. We will gather at 7pm for pizza, followed by Compline at 7:30pm. If you can, please rsvp (using the QR code or telling Rev. Meghan) by Thursday, February 5 so we have a sense of how much food to order.



## Monday, February 2 at 6pm - Supper and Liturgy for Candlemas

Join with parishes of the Charles River Deanery on Monday, February 2 at **All Saints Parish, Brookline (1773 Beacon Street)** for 6pm supper and candle decorating followed by a 7pm liturgy for Candlemas.

## Morning Prayer on Thursdays at Grace Church, Newton Corner

Grace Church, Newton Corner offers Morning Prayer on Thursday mornings at 8am in the chapel. POSP parishioners are invited to attend.

### Prayer List

If you would like to add a name to the prayer list, please email Lise in the parish office or use this QR code.



### Altar Flowers

If you would like to contribute altar flowers for a thanksgiving or memorial, please be in contact with Lise in the parish office.

### Pastoral Care

If you desire pastoral care for a particular need, please be in contact with Rev. Meghan. It could be as simple as a private prayer request emailed to her, or an in-person conversation about something of concern. Rev. Meghan or our pastoral care intern, Jason von Ehrenkrook, are available to meet with you.

### Can Redemption Volunteers

Volunteers sought to assist with can redemption for the Plenty ministry. Please connect with Christopher Gruener or speak with Rev. Meghan if you can assist.

### Receive the Parish Newsletter!

The newsletter is sent about once per week (occasionally more often if there is a pressing notice, for example, of snow cancellation, etc.). The newsletter contains reflections from parishioners and lots of information and announcements about our diocese, the greater church, and other goings-on in and around town and in the world, that are not printed in this bulletin.

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## Episcopal Leadership

The Rt. Rev. Julia E. Whitworth – Bishop Diocesan, The Episcopal Diocese of Massachusetts ([diomass.org](http://diomass.org))

The Most Rev. Sean Rowe – Presiding Bishop, The Episcopal Church ([episcopalchurch.org](http://episcopalchurch.org))

## Staff and Office Hours at the Parish of St. Paul

Priest-in-Charge: The Rev. Dr. Meghan T. Sweeney – [meghan@parishofstpaul.org](mailto:meghan@parishofstpaul.org). Office Hours: In-Person, usually on Wednesday, 9am -1pm and by appointment (please email Rev. Meghan directly if you would like to make an appointment).

Parish Administrator: Lise Brody – [office@parishofstpaul.org](mailto:office@parishofstpaul.org). Office Hours (may vary): Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 9am-1pm

## Vestry at the Parish of St. Paul

If you have any questions, comments, or concerns, please feel free to be in touch with your vestry. The next Vestry Meeting is on February 11.

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## Elected Parish Leaders at St. Paul's

Delegates to the Charles River Deanery: David Montgomery and Mary Lou Pierron

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