ST. THOMAS'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER, YEAR A

Service of Holy Eucharist

April 19, 2026 10 A.M.

Welcome! Happy Easter!

Wherever you happen to be on your spiritual journey, **there is a place for you here**, and we invite you to participate as fully as you wish. There is a saying in the Episcopal tradition that answers many a question: "All *may*, some *do*, but none *must*." We gather to feast on Word and sacrament and song, to learn and inquire, to enjoy relaxed fellowship and find mutual support. And we are sent out to be the Body of Christ in the world, to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with God.

To participate in worship today all you need is this bulletin. If you are new or visiting, we invite you to consider filling out a **blue information card** (located in the pew rack). You can use it to request a **nametag**, which will be waiting for you on the table inside the main entrance.

All church spaces are accessible. Handicapped parking and a wheelchair ramp are located in back of the building; a lift for access to the second floor is located at the stairway.

Restrooms are located on the second floor. Go through the double doors near the pulpit, upstairs to the second floor, and to the far end of the hallway. A **gender-neutral restroom with baby changing table** is in the Vesting Room, located opposite the double doors near the pulpit.

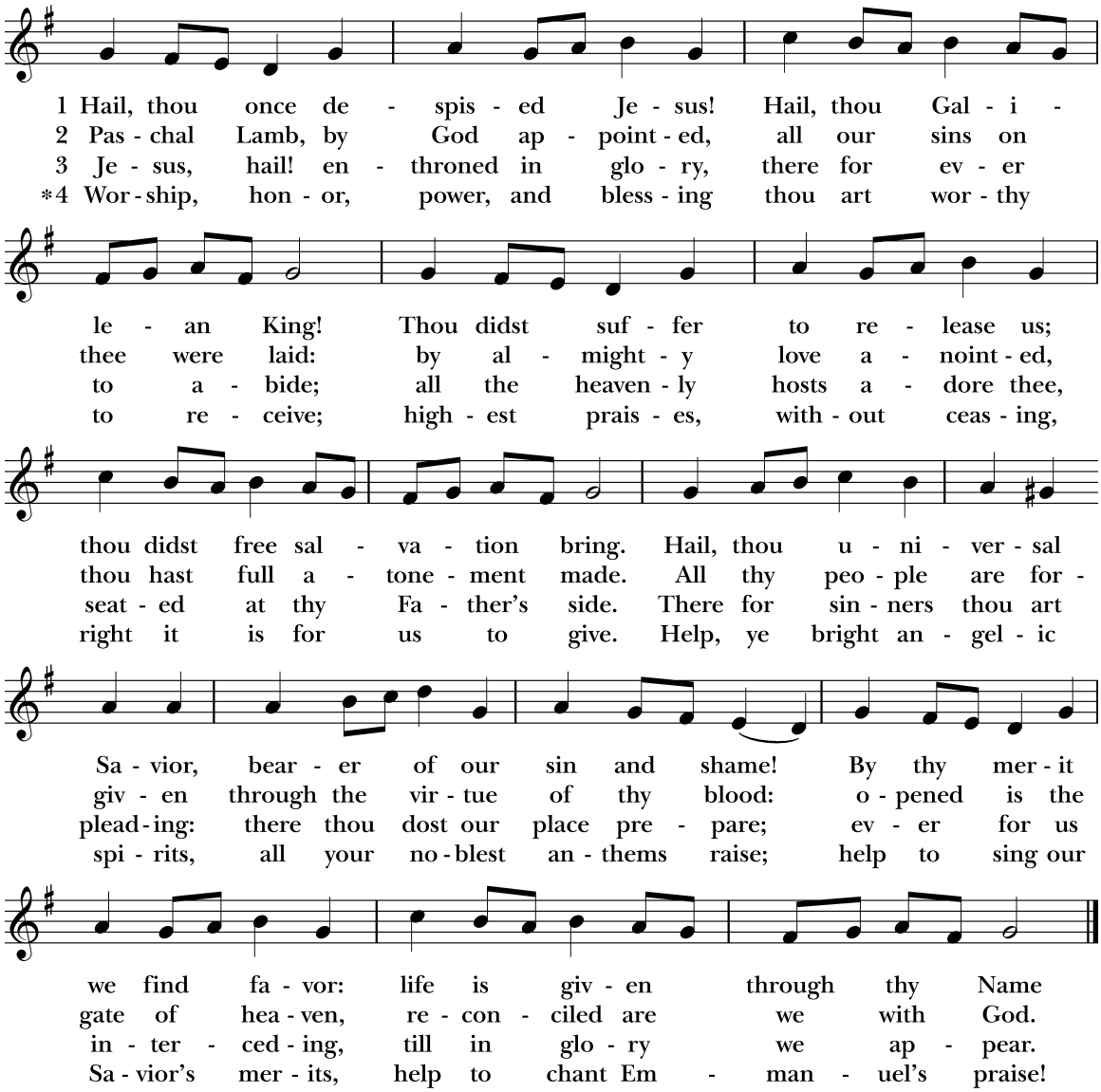
Three seating areas at the front of the nave are reserved for **families with small children**: the area under the array of paper cranes (for children age 3 and under), and the two areas in front of the front pews (for children age 10 and under). For safety, every child should be accompanied by a caregiver.

Wireless access in the Sanctuary is accessible by connecting to wireless network STEC – Guest. Your device will open a web browser and the St. Thomas's website. Bulletins are posted in the website's Bulletin Archive. To reduce printing, we encourage worshippers to use their smart devices to follow the service.

St. Thomas's Church is located on Eansketambawg (Quinnipiac) land. This acknowledgment compels us to pause: in gratitude for the Quinnipiac and other Algonquin-speaking stewards of the territory that is now Connecticut; in regret for Christianity's participation in the colonization of the Americas; and in faith that God's reconciling power will bring true healing to the Earth and all its inhabitants.

VOLUNTARY Christ lag in Todesbanden, BWV 625
J.S. Bach (1685–1750)

At the ringing of the bell, please stand.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN Hail, thou once despised Jesus! (**495**, *The Hymnal 1982*)

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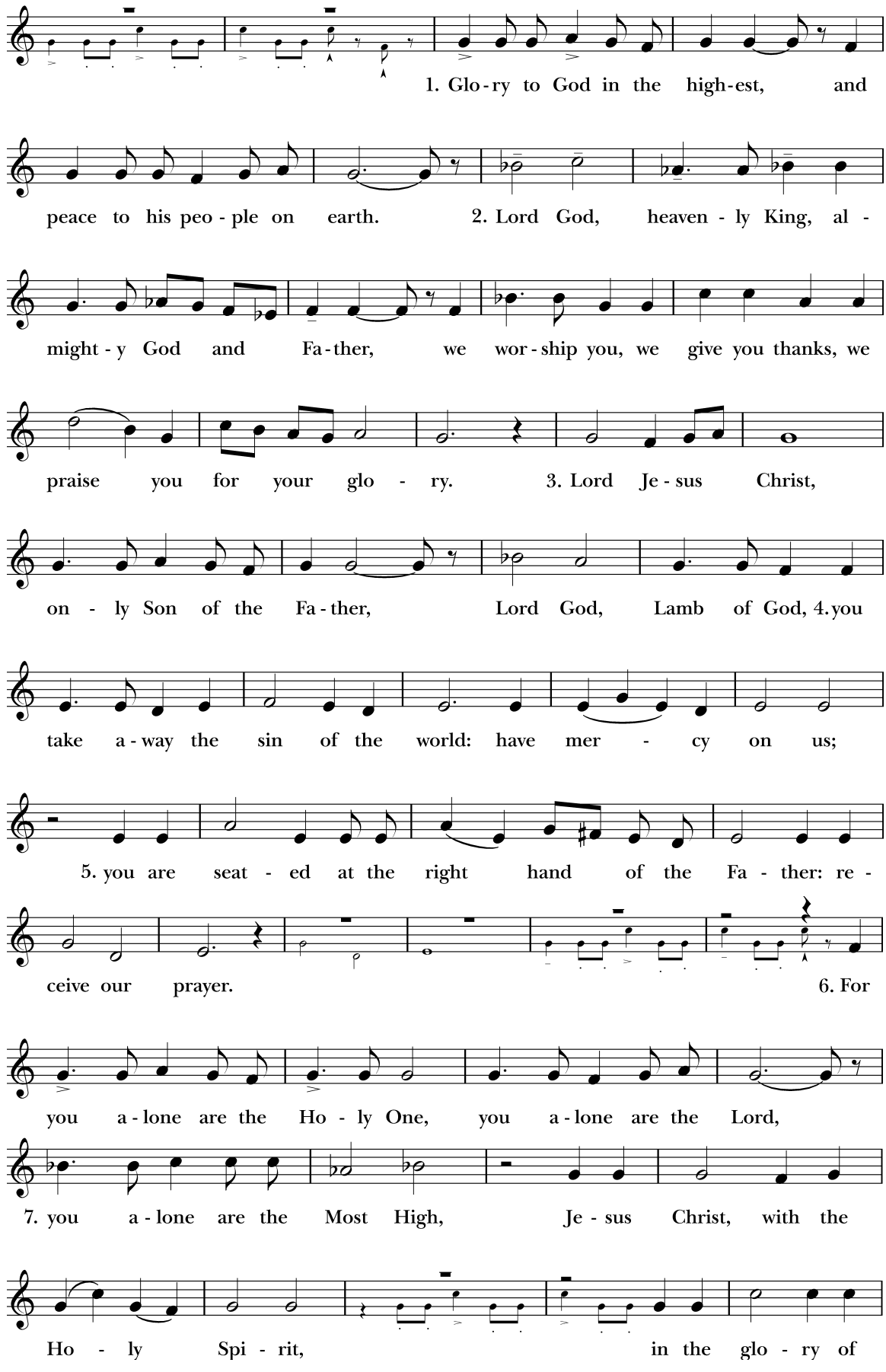
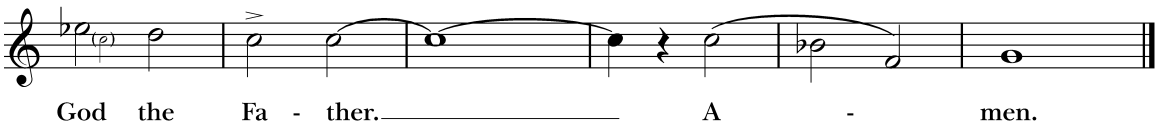
OPENING ACCLAMATION

Presider: Alleluia. Christ is risen!
People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

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 Glory to God in the highest (**S 278**, *The Hymnal 1982*)



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SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Presider: Let us pray.

O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

All are seated.

THE FIRST LESSON ACTS 2:14A, 36-41

Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, "Let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified."

Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, "Brothers, what should we do?" Peter said to them, "Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him." And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, "Save yourselves from this corrupt generation." So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

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

PSALM 116:1-3, 10-17 *(spoken by all)*

1 I love the LORD, because he has heard the voice of my supplication, *
because he has inclined his ear to me whenever I called upon him.
2 The cords of death entangled me;
the grip of the grave took hold of me; *
I came to grief and sorrow.
3 Then I called upon the Name of the LORD: *
"O LORD, I pray you, save my life."
10 How shall I repay the LORD *
for all the good things he has done for me?

11 I will lift up the cup of salvation *
and call upon the Name of the LORD.
12 I will fulfill my vows to the LORD *
in the presence of all his people.
13 Precious in the sight of the LORD *
is the death of his servants.
14 O LORD, I am your servant; *
I am your servant and the child of your handmaid;
you have freed me from my bonds.
15 I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving *
and call upon the Name of the LORD.
16 I will fulfill my vows to the LORD *
in the presence of all his people,
17 In the courts of the LORD's house, *
in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.
Hallelujah!

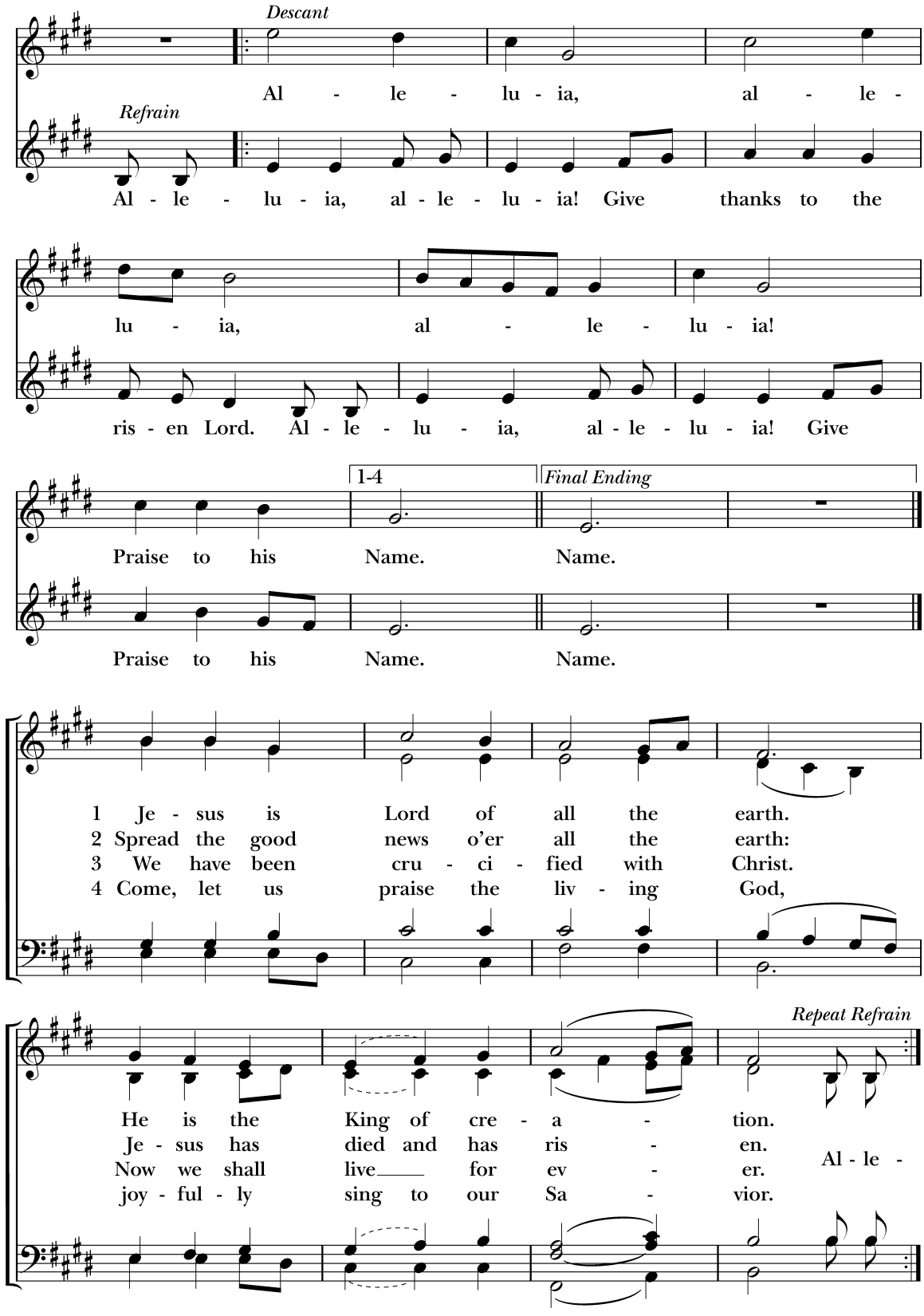
THE SECOND LESSON 1 PETER 1:17-23

If you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile. You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God.

Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love, love one another deeply from the heart. You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

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

All stand.

SEQUENCE HYMN Jesus is Lord of all the earth (**178,** *The Hymnal 1982*)

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THE GOSPEL LUKE 24:13-35

Presider: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Now on that same day two of Jesus' disciples were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him." Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

Presider: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

All are seated.

THE SERMON

After the sermon, all remain seated for a period of silence. Then all stand.

THE NICENE CREED

Presider and People

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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.
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,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who 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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Intercessor and People

The women came running to tell us: the tomb stands empty; the garments of death are cast aside. Our tears of mourning turn to astonished gratitude; our grief becomes healing strength. Trusting in God's resurrecting power, let us pray:
Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

For the whole, bright earth, so lovingly created and so compassionately redeemed; that it may speak again of the glory and majesty of God. Trusting in God's resurrecting power, let us pray:
Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

For all nations and peoples of the earth to whom God shows no partiality; that all may be transformed by mercy to live together in hope. Trusting in God's resurrecting power, let us pray:
Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

For the holy Church, whose life is hidden with Christ in God, that in all our diversity we may bear witness to the unity that flows from our baptism. Trusting in God's resurrecting power, let us pray:
Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

For those in authority in every nation and in every place; that they may govern with equity and justice; bringing life to those in the shadow of death. Trusting in God's resurrecting power, let us pray:
Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

For all who suffer in mind, body, spirit, or any other adversity; that they may be comforted by Christ who rises with healing in his glorious wings. Trusting in God's resurrecting power, let us pray:
Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

For all who are dying and for all who have died that they may find the blessed assurance of light perpetual and everlasting life in Christ's triumph over death. Trusting in God's resurrecting power, let us pray:
Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Presider
Be present, O Risen Christ, in this your church's Easter praise. May we, like Mary Magdalene, the other women and all witnesses to the resurrection see the tomb empty, and walk in newness of life. Grant that our anthems of joy may give honor to the mystery of your redeeming love and that our proclamations of your victory over death may reflect the majesty of your eternal glory. In your most holy name we pray. **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

Presider
Let us confess our sins to God. [*Silence is kept.*]

Presider and People
God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.
We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.
We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done,
and the evil done on our behalf.
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

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.**

THE PEACE

Presider: The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People: And also with you.

Please greet your neighbors with a sign of peace, in whatever way seems welcome. You may then be seated for brief announcements.

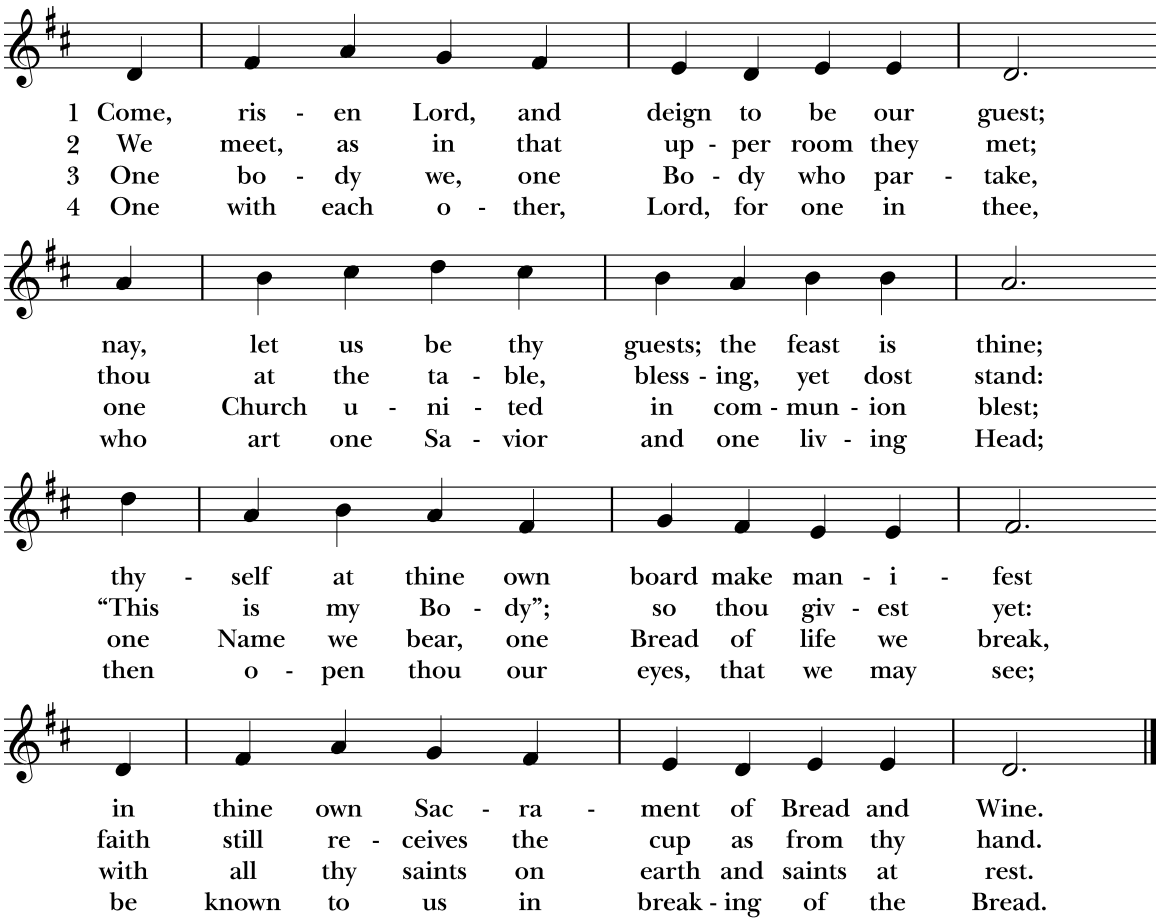
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Your financial support is sincerely appreciated. We will not pass a collection plate today; collection plates are located at the doors. To give online, go to the Church website Home page (www.stthomasnewhaven.org), and click GIVE NOW. If viewing this document electronically, simply CLICK HERE. Thank you!

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

*During the singing of the **Offertory Hymn**, the Ushers bring the gifts forward and the Presider sets the table. The People follow the Ushers and encircle the altar for the Eucharistic prayer. You are encouraged to position children where they can see. Standing time is approximately 15 minutes. If this is difficult for you, feel free to sit in a chair near the altar or in the the front row of pews. You may also remain where you are.*

OFFERTORY HYMN

Come, risen Lord (**306**, *The Hymnal 1982*)

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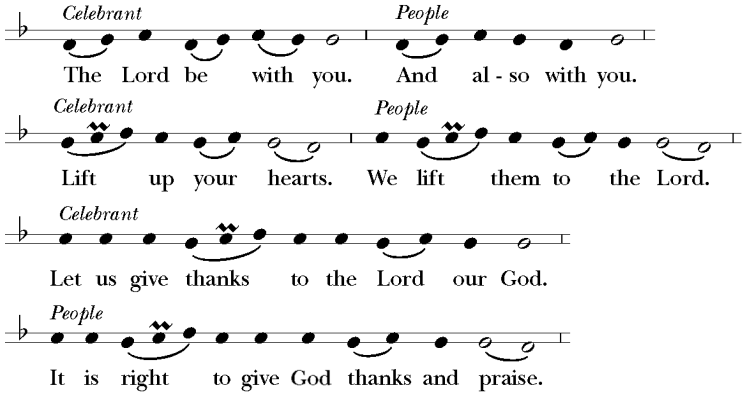
THE HOLY COMMUNION
THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER A



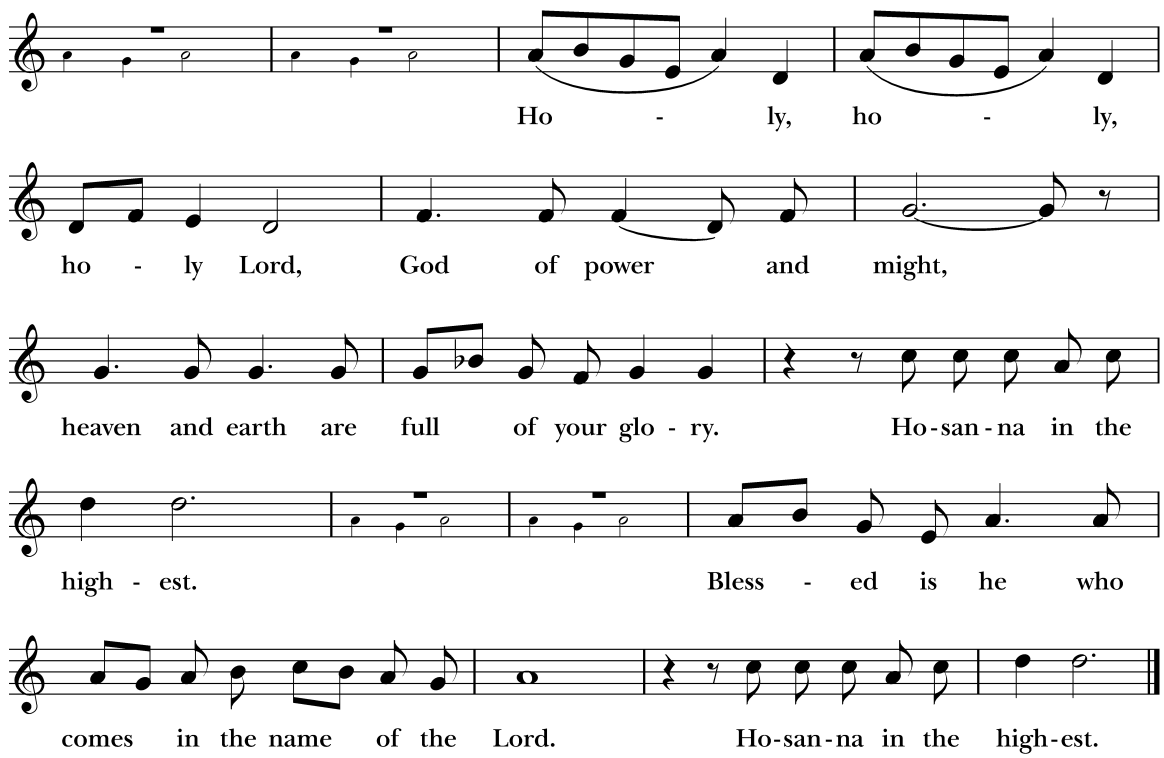
Presider

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

But chiefly we are bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us 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:

SANCTUS Holy, holy, holy Lord (**S 128**, *The Hymnal 1982*)



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Presider
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.

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:

Presider and People
Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

Presider
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. **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

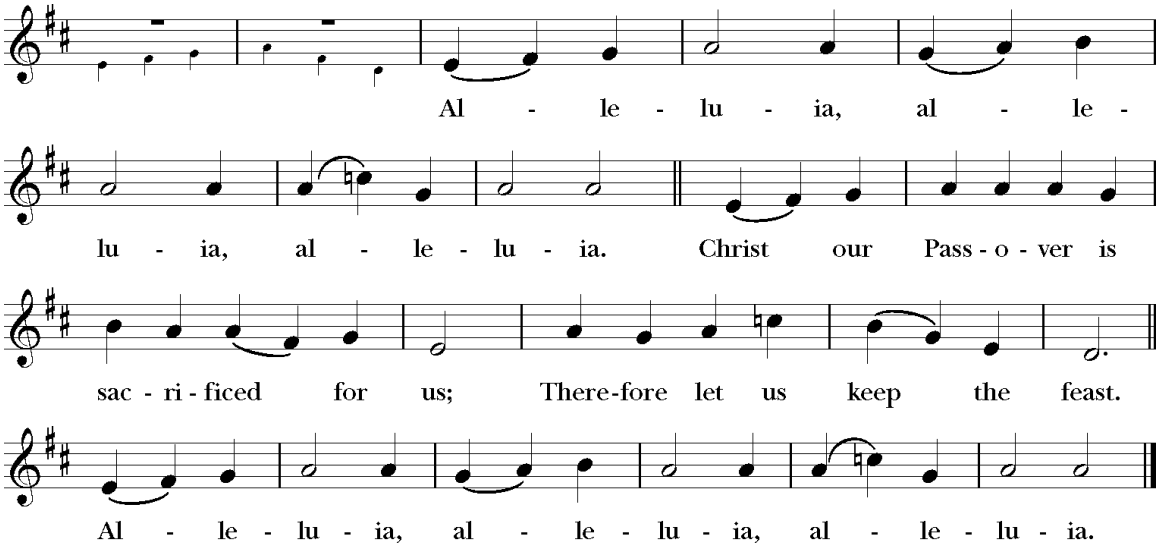
You are invited to say the Lord's Prayer in the language of your choice.

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 Presider breaks the consecrated bread. A period of silence is kept.

FRACTION ANTHEM Christ our Passover (**S 155**, *The Hymnal 1982*)



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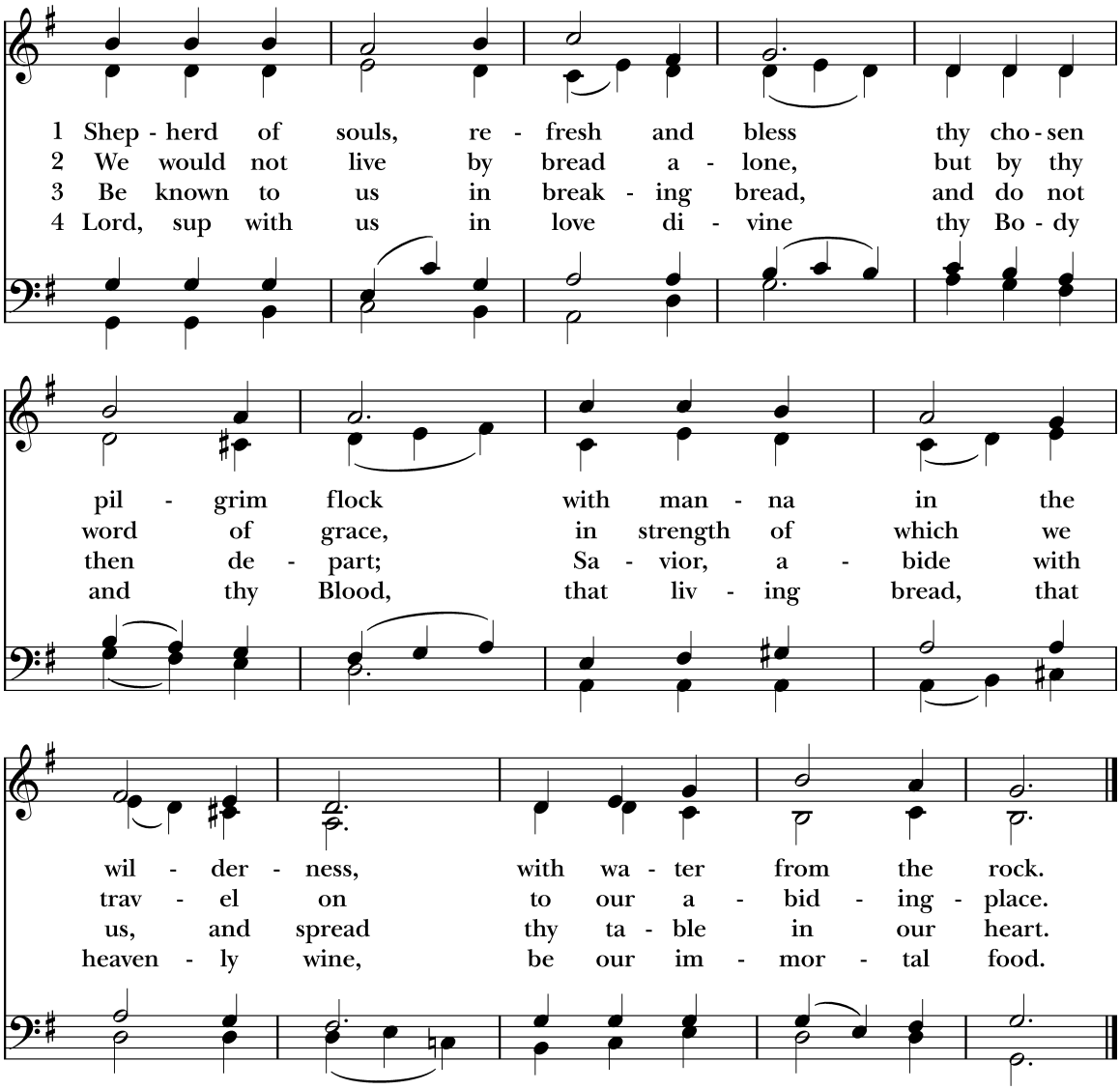
Presider: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All are invited to receive Holy Communion at God's table in this church. *Baptism is not required; church membership is not required. For the distribution of Holy Communion, the priest and Eucharistic minister will come to you. To receive a blessing instead of communion, cross your arms over your chest. You may choose not to partake of wine—Holy Communion is complete and efficacious when received in one kind only. To receive wine, you may sip from the common cup, or intinct (dip the bread into the wine). If you choose to intinct, please dip only the tip of the bread into the wine—fingers that touch the wine are a source of contamination. After receiving communion or a blessing, please return to your original seat.*

COMMUNION HYMN Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless (**343**, *The Hymnal 1982*)

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After all have received communion, all stand.

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Presider: Let us pray.

Presider and People

**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.**

THE PASCHAL BLESSING

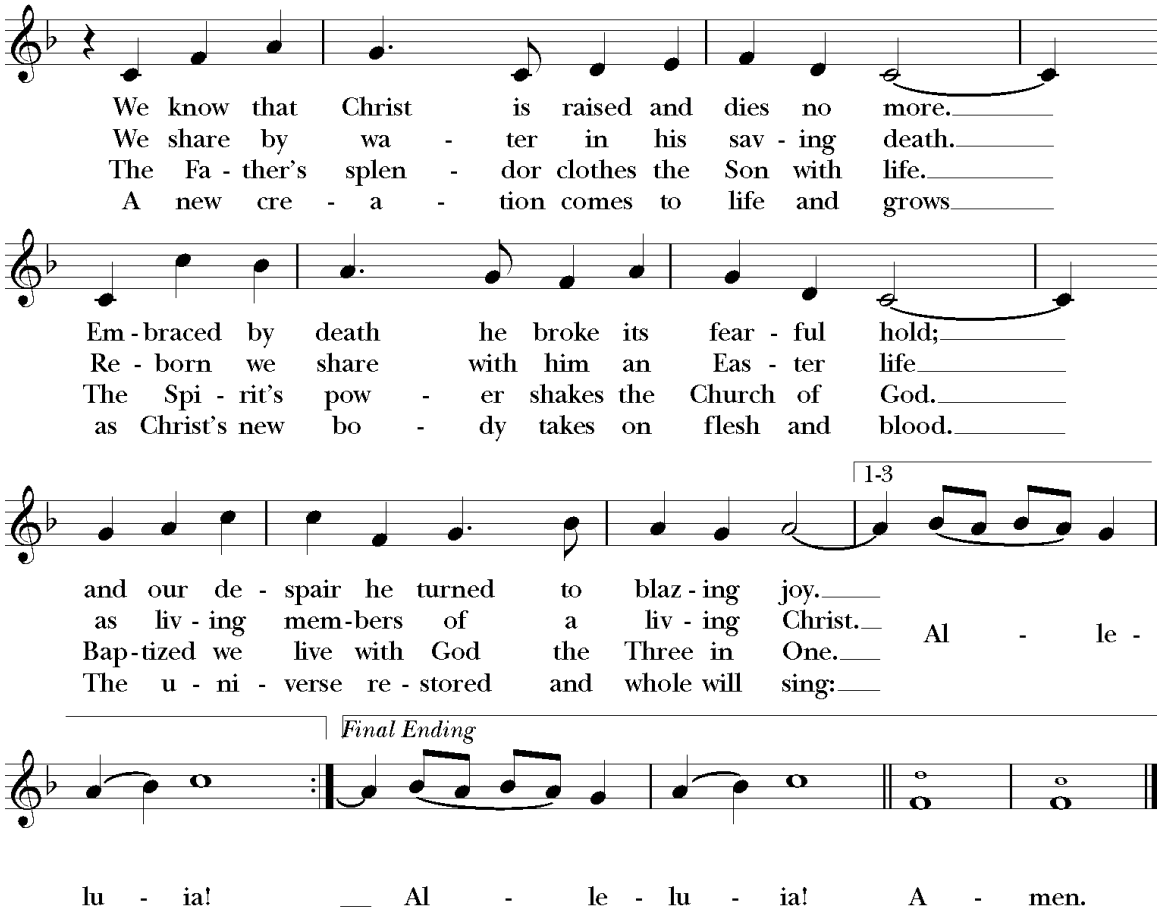
May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing. **Amen.**

May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever. **Amen.**

May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

HYMN We know that Christ is raised and dies no more (**296**, *The Hymnal 1982*)



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DISMISSAL

Presider: *[The Presider dismisses the People.] [Alleluia! Alleluia!]*
People: Thanks be to God. [Alleluia! Alleluia!]

You may be seated for the voluntary or exit the church.

VOLUNTARY V. Cantio Sacra: Christ lag in Todesbanden (5. Versus. Choralis in basso)
Samuel Scheidt (1587–1624)

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Serving Today

Coffee Hour Hosts: Jennifer Herdt, Jane Messer, Thelma Smullen
Flowers: Heather Robison
Intercessor: Bob Herdt
Lector: Jami Carlacio
Music Director: Dr. Matthew Cramer
Organist: Dr. Stephen Gamboa-Diaz
Preacher: Bryan Hiott
Presider: The Rev. Alan Murchie
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The Rev. Jane Jeuland, Priest Associate
The Rev. Alan C. Murchie, Rector
The Rev. Dr. Carolyn Sharp, Preacher-in-Residence

This Week's Prayer Intentions

Pray for those in any need or trouble, especially:
for Don, Maria, Martin, Michael, Susan
for the people of Iran
for the people of Ukraine and the people of Russia
for the people of Gaza and the people of Israel
for victims of civil war in Syria and the Sudan
for all who are afflicted by war, violence, and natural disaster

Pray for those who have died.

In the Episcopal Church in Connecticut Cycle of Prayer, pray for: Christ Church, Middle Haddam; St. George's, Middlebury; Holy Trinity, Middletown; Clergy whose work is not in parishes, multi-vocational priests, supply clergy & those whose ministry is carried out in other countries or dioceses

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, pray for: The Church of the Province of Myanmar (Burma)

In the World Council of Churches Ecumenical Prayer Cycle, pray for: Belarus, Moldova, Russia, Ukraine

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Announcements

For all the latest news and information, see last week's edition of the Weekly Parish Enews. From the Parish website Home page (www.stthomasnewhaven.org), click Enews Archive for the latest edition or Enews (subscribe) to subscribe.

Children and Youth
On Sunday, April 19, we will meet to talk about "What happens after Easter?" During **coffee hour**, a table will be set aside for Sunday School. All are welcome. Fill your plate and join Denise Terry.
Questions? Denise Terry (240-481-8537 or terry.df@gmail.com)

Heifer Project
We now have a button on the St. Thomas's webpage (stthomasnewhaven.org) in the DONATE section for heifer.org. The parish children encourage you to give to our campaign to deliver DREAM BASKETS (A sheep, heifer, goat, rabbits and a flock of chickens, along with training and education in their care.). Each DREAM BASKET is $120, but all donations are welcome. Thank you for bringing hope to the world.

Pedals, Pipes, and Pizza – Saturday, May 2 from 10AM to 1PM
Tour the organs at Trinity Church on the Green and Center Church on the Green in New Haven – and enjoy a free pizza lunch after! All ages welcome. Registration required: email avecesare@aol.com to register. Sponsored by the New Haven Chapter of the American Guild of Organists. Learn more at newhavenago.org.

Inquirers' Class
Our new Inquirers' Class invites all interested in learning more about what it means to be Episcopalian to gather at St. Thomas's on the first Tuesday of each month from 5:30-6:30. Our next class session will be held in the Lounge on Tuesday, **May 5**. Join us!

Message from Seminarian Intern Bryan Hiott
Dear friends, During the month of May, Alan and I will facilitate a three-week Zoom study of the Epistle of James, which calls us to "be doers of the word and not merely hearers." Our study will guide reflection on how a living, active faith might take shape in tangible acts of mercy, justice, and presence right here in New Haven. We will meet on **Thursdays May 7, 14, and 21 (7:00-8:00 p.m)**. A Zoom link will be provided. As part of our study, we will schedule guided site visits to established local ministries offering opportunities to be "doers of the word," including Downtown Evening Soup Kitchen (DESK), Loaves & Fishes, Chapel on the Green, and Amistad House. Please join us! ~Bryan

Mark Your Calendars: Ascension Day Evensong – Thursday, May 14 at 5:30PM at Trinity on the Green
The choirs of St. Thomas's and Trinity on the Green (Simon Lee, music director) join forces again in observance of Ascension Day, presenting a Festal Evensong at Trinity on Thursday, May 14. Featuring Patrick Gowers' "Viri Galilaei" – written for double choir and two organs! – and Stanford's Evening Service in Bb.

Coffee Hour: Sign Up for April, May, and June dates
Please consider signing up as Coffee Hour host, co-host, or contributor, either by adding your name to the poster in the lounge or by using our online signup here: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0F4AACAD2CABFE3-coffee. Thank you!

Youth Confirmation Class at St. T's
We are delighted to offer Confirmation preparation for youth ages 13+ on select Sunday afternoons after Coffee Hour. This is a rich opportunity to explore faith through conversation, activity, off-campus experiences, and more. Classes are led by Alan alongside experienced mentors from our community. Be in touch with Alan anytime to discuss further! You can chat with him at coffee hour or write to him at alan@stthomasnewhaven.org.

Responding to Food Insecurity in our Community
Connecticut Food Pantries have seen a sharp rise in need this year, serving 23% more households. The need is great. Please join us in supporting Loaves and Fishes. You can give at this link.

Parish Directory Updates
Please email Julie with any changes to your address or contact info, or if you wish to be added to the directory. Thank you.

Name Tags
Wearing name tags is a simple and wonderful way to practice radical welcome. If you have never had a St. Thomas's name tag, or have lost the one you had, please sign up in the narthex or at coffee hour and look for your new name tag in a week's time. You can also email Julie in the parish office, j.kelly@stthomasnewhaven.org to request a name tag. Name tags may be left in the basket in the lounge following coffee hour, or at the rear of the church in the name tag holders. Please wear your name tag every week!

Sunday Server Sign-ups
There are many ways to contribute to the worship life of St. Thomas's. We are eager to welcome new servers in the roles of lector, usher, intercessor, subdeacon, and sacristan. If you are interested in learning more or in receiving training, please reach out to Vestry member Claire Scully, chiarasam@comcast.net. We would love for you to share your gifts with St. Thomas!

Interested in joining St. Thomas's Choir?
The St. Thomas's Choir sings for Sunday morning and special liturgies during the program year, offering anthems, canticles and psalms. The choir includes volunteers and professional section leaders. Its repertoire is drawn from the rich tradition of Anglican choral music, spanning many centuries.
The St. Thomas's Choir rehearses on Sundays at 9 a.m. and from 11:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m., from September to June. New members are always welcome; an ability to read music and prior choral experience is desirable.
Contact Matthew Cramer at m.cramer@stthomasnewhaven.org

Donating Clothing for Loaves and Fishes. Our support for the clothing ministry is ongoing. Please be thoughtful in your selection of items. Current specific requests include: men's/women's jeans; men's shirts, sweaters, jackets, shoes, new socks. Bring donations to St. Thomas's (leave them in the tub at the Whitney Ave. entrance) or to Loaves and Fishes (Thurs-Sat, 9-11 a.m., in the driveway at 57 Olive St.).