

ORDINATION TO THE SACRED ORDER OF DEACONS



Saturday, November 23, 2024
11:00 a.m.

The Episcopal Diocese of Michigan
The Cathedral Church of St. Paul
4800 Woodward Avenue
Detroit, Michigan

The Right Reverend Dr. Bonnie A. Perry – Eleventh Bishop of Michigan
The Very Reverend Timothy True – Interim Dean of the Cathedral

THE ORDINANDS

ERICA CHRISTINE BENSON

Presenters

The Reverend Phil Dinwiddie
Meredith Rogers
Erin Shelton

Vesting the new deacon

Tom Benson
Henry Benson

ROBERT WESLEY CHELEMEN

Presenters

The Reverend Paula Miller
The Reverend Andrea Morrow
Kitty Chelemen
Rick Little
Claudia Horne
Joan Rasnick

Vesting the new deacon

Kitty Chelemen

*Please silence all electronic devices.
Please refrain from flash photography during services in the Cathedral.*

The following music is offered before the service.

Organ

Overture to the Occasional Oratorio

George Frederick Handel
(1685-1759)

Please stand as you are able and sing

Hymn at the Procession

Earth and all stars



- 1 Earth and all stars, loud rush - ing plan - ets, sing to the Lord _____ a new song!
- 2 Hail, wind, and rain, loud blow - ing snow - storms, sing to the Lord _____ a new song!
- 3 Trum - pet and pipes, loud clash - ing cym - bals, sing to the Lord _____ a new song!
- 4 En - gines and steel, loud pound - ing ham - mers, sing to the Lord _____ a new song!
- 5 Class - rooms and labs, loud boil - ing test - tubes, sing to the Lord _____ a new song!



- 1 O vic - to - ry, loud shout - ing ar - my, sing to the Lord _____ a new song!
- 2 Flow - ers and trees, loud rus - tling dry leaves, sing to the Lord _____ a new song!
- 3 Harp, lute and lyre, loud hum - ming cel - los, sing to the Lord _____ a new song!
- 4 Lime - stone and beams, loud build - ing work - ers, sing to the Lord _____ a new song!
- 5 Ath - lete and band, loud cheer - ing peo - ple, sing to the Lord _____ a new song!

Refrain



He has done mar - vel - ous things. I too will praise him with a new song!

6. Knowledge and truth, loud sounding wisdom,
sing to the Lord a new song!
Daughter and son, loud praying members,
sing to the Lord a new song! *Refrain*

Words Herbert Brokering (1926-2009)

Music *Earth and All Stars*, David N. Johnson (1922-1987)

The people remain standing.

Celebrant Blessed be God: Creator, Christ, and Holy Spirit.

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

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 Lord. *Amen.*

THE PRESENTATION

The Bishop and People sit. A Priest and a Lay Person, and additional presenters if desired, standing before the Bishop, present the Ordinands, saying

Bonnie, Bishop in the Church of God, on behalf of the clergy and people of the Diocese of Michigan, we present to you Erica Christine Benson / Robert Wesley Chelemen to be ordained a deacon in Christ's holy catholic Church.

Bishop

Have they been selected in accordance with the canons of this Church? And do you believe their manner of life to be suitable to the exercise of this ministry?

Presenters

We certify to you that they have satisfied the requirements of the canons, and we believe them qualified for this order.

The Bishop says to the Ordinands

Will you be loyal to the doctrine, discipline, and worship of Christ as this Church has received them? And will you, in accordance with the canons of this Church, obey your bishop and other ministers who may have authority over you and your work?

Ordinands

I am willing and ready to do so; and I solemnly declare that I do believe the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the Word of God, and to contain all things necessary to salvation; and I do solemnly engage to conform to the doctrine, discipline, and worship of the Episcopal Church.

The Ordinands then sign the above Declaration in the sight of all present.

All stand. The Bishop says to the People

Dear friends in Christ, you know the importance of this ministry, and the weight of your responsibility in presenting Erica Christine Benson and Robert Wesley Chelemen for ordination to the sacred order of deacons. Therefore if any of you know any impediment or crime because of which we should not proceed, come forward now and make it known.

If no objection is made, the Bishop continues

Is it your will that Erica and Robert be ordained deacons?

The People respond in these or other words

It is.

Bishop

Will you uphold them in their ministry?

The People respond in these or other words

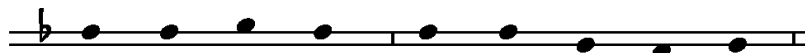
We will.

The Bishop then calls the People to prayer with these or similar words

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

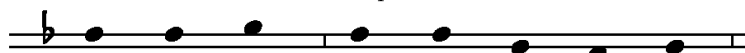
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Cantor *People*



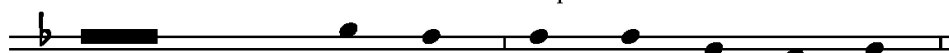
God the Fa - ther, Have mer - cy on us.

Cantor *People*



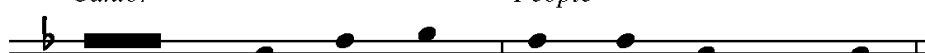
God the Son, Have mer - cy on us.

Cantor *People*




God the Holy Spir - it, Have mer - cy on us.

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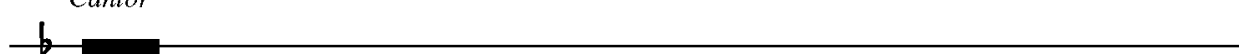
Holy Trini - ty, one God, Have mer - cy on us.

Cantor *People*




We pray to you, Lord Christ. Lord, hear our prayer.

Cantor



For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault at the Day of your Coming,

People



we pray to you, O Lord. Lord, hear our prayer.

For all members of your Church in their vocation and ministry, that they may serve you in a true and godly life, we pray to you, O Lord. *Lord, hear our prayer.*

For Sean, our Presiding Bishop, Bonnie, our Bishop, and for all bishops, priests, and deacons, that they may be filled with your love, may hunger for truth, and may thirst after righteousness, we pray to you, O Lord. *Lord, hear our prayer.*

For Erica and Robert, chosen deacons in your Church, we pray to you, O Lord. *Lord, hear our prayer.*

That they may faithfully fulfill the duties of this ministry, build up your Church, and glorify your Name, we pray to you, O Lord. *Lord, hear our prayer.*

That by the indwelling of the Holy Spirit they may be sustained and encouraged to persevere to the end, we pray to you, O Lord. *Lord, hear our prayer.*

For their family, that they may be adorned with all Christian virtues, we pray to you, O Lord. *Lord, hear our prayer.*

For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease and that all may be one as you and the Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord. *Lord, hear our prayer.*

For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, O Lord. *Lord, hear our prayer.*

For those who do not yet believe, and for those who have lost their faith, that they may receive the light of the Gospel, we pray to you, O Lord. *Lord, hear our prayer.*

For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, O Lord. *Lord, hear our prayer.*

For those in positions of public trust, that they may serve justice and promote the dignity and freedom of every person, we pray to you, O Lord. *Lord, hear our prayer.*

For a blessing upon all human labor, and for the right use of the riches of creation, that the world may be freed from poverty, famine, and disaster, we pray to you, O Lord. *Lord, hear our prayer.*

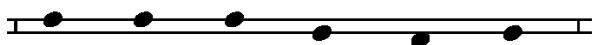
For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O Lord. *Lord, hear our prayer.*

For ourselves; for the forgiveness of our sins, and for the grace of the Holy Spirit to amend our lives, we pray to you, O Lord. *Lord, hear our prayer.*

For all who have died in the communion of your Church, and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray to you, O Lord. *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Rejoicing in the fellowship of Mary, the God-bearer, blessed Paul, and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God.

People

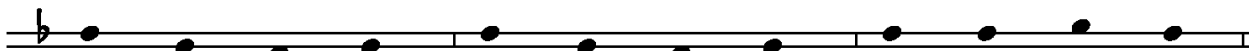


To you, O Lord our God.

Cantor

People

Cantor and People



Lord, have mer - cy, Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

Bishop The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Bishop Let us pray.

O God of unchangeable power and eternal light: Look favorably on your whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery; by the effectual working of your providence, carry out in tranquility the plan of salvation; let the whole world see and know that things which were being cast down are being raised up, and things which had grown old are being made new, and that all things are being brought to their perfection by him through whom all things were made, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Please be seated.

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

The First Lesson

Jeremiah 1:4-9

THE word of the LORD came to me saying,
“Before I formed you in the womb I knew you,
and before you were born I consecrated you;
I appointed you a prophet to the nations.”
Then I said, “Ah, Lord GOD! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy.” But the LORD said to me,

“Do not say, ‘I am only a boy’;
for you shall go to all to whom I send you,
and you shall speak whatever I command you.
Do not be afraid of them,
for I am with you to deliver you,
says the LORD.”

Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the LORD said to me,
“Now I have put my words in your mouth.”

The Lector then says

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

People **Thanks be to God.**

Remaining seated, all sing the refrain as indicated.

Psalm 119:33-40

Legem pone

Refrain

Teach me, O Lord, the way of your sta - tutes.

TEACH me, O LORD, the way of your statutes, * and I shall keep it to the end.
34 Give me understanding, and I shall keep your law; * I shall keep it with all my heart.
35 Make me go in the path of your commandments, * for that is my desire. *Refrain*

36 Incline my heart to your decrees * and not to unjust gain.

37 Turn my eyes from watching what is worthless; * give me life in your ways. *Refrain*

- 38 Fulfill your promise to your servant, * which you make to those who fear you.
 39 Turn away the reproach which I dread, * because your judgments are good.
 40 Behold, I long for your commandments; * in your righteousness preserve my life. *Refrain*

The Second Lesson

Acts 6:2-7

THE twelve called together the whole community of the disciples and said, "It is not right that we should neglect the word of God in order to wait at tables. Therefore, friends, select from among yourselves seven men of good standing, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we may appoint to this task, while we, for our part, will devote ourselves to prayer and to serving the word." What they said pleased the whole community, and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and the Holy Spirit, together with Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolaus, a proselyte of Antioch. They had these men stand before the apostles, who prayed and laid their hands on them. The word of God continued to spread; the number of the disciples increased greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests became obedient to the faith.

The Lector then says

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

People Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able and sing

Sequence Hymn

Take my life, and let it be

Hollingside

1 Take my life, and let it be con-se-crat-ed, Lord, to thee; take my mo-ments and my days,
 2 Take my voice, and let me sing al-ways, on-ly, for my King; take my in-tel-lect, and use
 let them flow in cease-less praise. Take my hands, and let them move at the im-pulse
 ev-ery power as thou shalt choose. Take my will, and make it thine; it shall be no
 of thy love; take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy roy-al throne.
 long-er mine. Take my-self, and I will be ev-er, on-ly, all for thee.

Words Frances Ridley Havergal (1836-1879), alt.
Music *Hollingside*, John Bacchus Dykes (1823-1876)

Then, all standing, the Archdeacon reads the Gospel, first saying
The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Gospel

Luke 22:24-27

A dispute also arose among them as to which one of them was to be regarded as the greatest. But he said to them, "The kings of the Gentiles lord it over them; and those in authority over them are called benefactors. But not so with you; rather the greatest among you must become like the youngest, and the leader like one who serves. For who is greater, the one who is at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one at the table? But I am among you as one who serves."

After the Gospel, the Deacon says
The Gospel of our Savior.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Reverend Dr. Paula Miller
Rector, St. Michael and All Angels Church, Lincoln Park

Please stand as you are able and say together
The Nicene Creed

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

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshipped 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 EXAMINATION OF A DEACON

All are seated except the Ordinands, who stand before the Bishop. The Bishop addresses the Ordinands as follows

MY friends, every Christian is called to follow Jesus Christ, serving God, through the power of the Holy Spirit. God now calls you to a special ministry of servanthood directly under your bishop. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are to serve all people, particularly the poor, the weak, the sick, and the lonely.

As a deacon in the Church, you are to study the Holy Scriptures, to seek nourishment from them, and to model your life upon them. You are to make Christ and his redemptive love known, by your word and example, to those among whom you live, and work, and worship. You are to interpret to the Church the needs, concerns, and hopes of the world. You are to assist the bishop and priests in public worship and in the ministration of God's Word and Sacraments, and you are to carry out other duties assigned to you from time to time. At all times, your life and teaching are to show Christ's people that in serving the helpless they are serving Christ himself.

Erica and Robert, do you believe that you are truly called by God and his Church to the life and work of a deacon?

Answer I believe I am so called.

Bishop Do you now in the presence of the Church commit yourself to this trust and responsibility?

Answer I do.

Bishop Will you be guided by the pastoral direction and leadership of your bishop?

Answer I will.

Bishop Will you be faithful in prayer, and in the reading and study of the Holy Scriptures?

Answer I will.

Bishop Will you look for Christ in all others, being ready to help and serve those in need?

Answer I will.

Bishop Will you do your best to pattern your life in accordance with the teachings of Christ, so that you may be a wholesome example to all people?

Answer I will.

Bishop Will you in all things seek not your glory but the glory of the Lord Christ?

Answer I will.

Bishop May the Lord by his grace uphold you in the service he lays upon you.

Answer Amen.

THE CONSECRATION

All now stand except the Ordinands, who kneel facing the Bishop. All join in singing the following refrain as the Cantor sings the verses.

Veni, Sancte Spiritus

from the Taizé tradition

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'Veni, Sancte Spiritus'. It consists of two staves, a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 6/8. The melody is simple and consists of a few notes: a quarter note G4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note B4, a quarter note C5, a half note D5, and a half note E5. The lyrics 'Ve - ni San - cte Spi - ri - tus.' are written below the notes. The score ends with a double bar line and repeat dots.

COME, Holy Spirit,
from heaven shine forth with your glorious light.
Veni, Sancte Spiritus.

Come, Father of the poor,
come, generous Spirit,
come, light of our hearts.
Veni, Sancte Spiritus.

Come from the four winds, O Spirit.
come, breath of God;
Disperse the shadows over us,
renew and strengthen your people.
Veni, Sancte Spiritus.

You are our only comforter,
Peace of the soul.
In the heat you shade us;
in our labor you refresh us,
and in trouble you are our strength.
Veni, Sancte Spiritus.

Kindle in our hearts the flame of your love
that in the darkness of the world
it may glow and reach to all forever.
Veni, Sancte Spiritus.

A period of silent prayer follows, the people still standing. The Bishop then says this Prayer of Consecration of a Deacon
O GOD, most merciful Creator, we praise you for sending your Son Jesus Christ, who took on himself the form of a servant, and humbled himself, becoming obedient even to death on the cross. We praise you that you have highly exalted him, and made him Lord of all; and that, through him, we know that whoever would be great must be servant of all. We praise you for the many ministries in your Church, and for calling this your servant to the order of deacons.

The Bishop lays hands upon the head of each Ordinand, and prays
Therefore, Father, through Jesus Christ your Son, give your Holy Spirit to Erica, fill her with grace and power, and make her a deacon in your Church.

Therefore, Father, through Jesus Christ your Son, give your Holy Spirit to Robert, fill him with grace and power, and make him a deacon in your Church.

The Bishop then continues

Make them, O Lord, modest and humble, strong and constant, to observe the discipline of Christ. Let their life and teaching so reflect your commandments, that through them many may come to know you and love you. As your Son came not to be served but to serve, may this deacon share in Christ's service, and come to the unending glory of him who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever.

The People in a loud voice respond

Amen.

The new Deacons are now vested according to the order of deacons.

The Bishop gives a Bible to the newly ordained, saying

Receive this Bible as the sign of your authority to proclaim God's Word and to assist in the ministration of God's holy Sacraments.

The Bishop greets the newly ordained.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Words of Welcome and Announcements

A Word from our Archdeacon

Today's offering will be used to establish discretionary funds to be overseen by the Ordinands in the places where they will serve. You can donate online with a credit card or PayPal using the QR code, and add "ordinations" in the note section. Cash and checks are welcome as well! Please make checks out to Episcopal Diocese of MI with "ordination offering" in the memo.



THE HOLY EUCHARIST

The congregation is seated. The Choir sings
Anthem

Traditional African American Spiritual, arr. Nicholas White (b. 1967)

STEAL away to Jesus, steal away home,
 I ain't got long to stay here.

My Lord he calls me, he calls me by the thunder;
 The trumpet sounds within my soul
I ain't got long to stay here.

Green trees are bendin', poor sinners stand a-tremblin';
 The trumpet sounds within my soul
I ain't got long to stay here.

Please stand as you are able and sing
Presentation Hymn

Blessed assurance

Assurance

1 Bless-ed as - sur - ance, Je - sus is mine! O what a fore - taste of glo - ry di -
 2 Per - fect sub - mis - sion, per - fect de - light, vi - sions of rap - ture now burst on my
 3 Per - fect sub - mis - sion, all is at rest, I in my sav - ior am hap - py and

vine! Heirs of sal - va - tion, pur - chase of God, born of his spir - it, washed in his blood.
 sight; an - gels de - scend - ing bring from a - bove ech - oes of mer - cy, whis - pers of love.
 blest; watch - ing and wait - ing, look - ing a - bove, filled with his good - ness, lost in his love.

Refrain

This is my sto - ry, this is my song, prais - ing my sav - ior all the day long; this is my
 sto - ry, this is my song, prais - ing my sav - ior all the day long.

Words Fanny J. Crosby (1820-1915)

Music Assurance, Phoebe P. Knapp (1839-1908)

The Great Thanksgiving (Eucharistic Prayer D, expanded language)

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

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

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

It is truly right to glorify you, Holy One, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever. Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance. Countless throngs of

angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing,

All sing

Sanctus

Mass for a Soulful People, Grayson Warren Brown (b. 1948)

Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho-ly, ho - ly, ho-ly Lord God of hosts.
Heav-en and earth are filled with your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the
high - est. Bless-ed is He who comes in the name of the Lord
of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the
high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

The people stand or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues

We acclaim you, holy God, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Holy God, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, Jesus lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose Jesus gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for Christ who died and rose for us, you sent the Holy Spirit, your own first gift for those who believe, to complete your work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it or 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.

When the hour had come for Jesus to be glorified by you, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them Jesus 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."

Almighty God, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and descent among the dead, proclaiming Christ's resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting Christ's coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

Celebrant and People

**We praise you,
we bless you,
we give thanks to you,
and we pray to you,
Lord our God.**

The Celebrant continues

God our Creator, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with [the Blessed Virgin Mary, with matriarchs, patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, (with _____) and] all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through Jesus Christ our Savior.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. *AMEN.*

And now, 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 following refrain is sung once by the Cantor and then by all, as indicated.

Fraction Anthem

Carl MaultsBy (b. 1949)



Cantor Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us. Therefore let us keep the feast. **Refrain**

The Celebrant says the following Invitation
The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Music at the Communion,

Organ

Communion (from Triptych)

Louis Vierne (1870-1937)

Motet

Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

GRANT us thy peace, Almighty Lord, thou source of every blessing!
Feeble and frail, trust we Thy word, all things in Thee possessing.
In Thee is our hope and safety.

Da pace Domine, paraphrased by Martin Luther

Seated, all sing

Hymn

Sweet, sweet Spirit

1. There's a sweet, sweet Spir - it in this place, and I know that it's the Spir - it of the
(2. There are) bless - ings you can - not re - ceive till you know Him in His full - ness, and be -
Lord. There are sweet ex - pres - sions on each face,
lieve. You're the one to pro - fit when you say,
and I know they feel the pres - ence of the Lord,
"I am going to walk with Je - sus all the way."
Sweet Ho - ly Spir - it, Sweet Heav - en - ly Dove, stay right here with us, fill - ing us with your
love. And for these bless - ings we lift our hearts in praise; with - out a
doubt we'll know that we have been re - vived when we shall leave this place. 2. There are place.

Words and Music Doris Akers (1923-1995)

All say together

The Post Communion Prayer

ALmighty Father,
We thank you for feeding us with the holy food
of the Body and Blood of your Son,
and for uniting us through him in the fellowship of your Holy Spirit.
We thank you for raising up among us
faithful servants for the ministry of your Word and sacraments.
We pray that Erica and Robert may be to us
effectives example in word and action,
in love and patience,
and in holiness of life.
Grant that we, with them, may serve you now,
and always rejoice in your glory;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Episcopal Blessing

Bishop Our help is in the Name of the Lord;
People **The maker of heaven and earth.**
Bishop Blessed be the Name of the Lord;
People **From this time forth for evermore.**

The Bishop then blesses the People.

All sing the hymn on the next page.

Hymn at the Procession Lord, whose love through humble service

Blaenhafren

The Dismissal is given and the congregation responds

Thanks be to God.

Organ

Tuba Tune

C.S. Lang (1891-1971)

Lord, whose love through humble service



1 Lord, whose love through hum - ble ser - vice bore the weight of hu - man need,
2 Still your chil - dren wan - der home - less; still the hun - gry cry for bread;
3 As we wor - ship, grant us vi - sion, till you love's re - veal - ing light,
4 Called by wor - ship to your ser - vice, forth in your dear name we go,



who up - on the cross, for - sak - en, of - fered mer - cy's per - fect deed,
still the cap - tives long for free - dom; still in grief we mourn our dead.
in its height and depth and great - ness, dawns up - on our quick - ened sight,
to the child, the youth, the a - ged, love in liv - ing deeds to show;



we, your ser - vants, bring the wor - ship not of voice a - lone, but heart,
As, O Lord, your deep com - pas - sion healed the sick and freed the soul,
mak - ing known the needs and bur - dens your com - pas - sion bids us bear,
hope and health, good will and com - fort, coun - sel, aid, and peace we give,



con - se - crat - ing to your pur - pose ev - ery gift that you im - part.
use the love your Spi - rit kin - dles still to save and make us whole.
stir - ring us to tire - less striv - ing your a - bun - dant life to share.
that your ser - vants, Lord, in free - dom may your mer - cy know and live.

Words Albert E. Bayly (1901-1984), alt.

Music Blaenhafren, Welsh melody

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