

# Holy Eucharist,

Renewed Ancient Text of the BCP 2019

*Michael rings bell and prays.*

## Opening Hymn

*The People Stand*

### Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

*Words: W. Chatterton Dix, 1866; Music: Rowland Prichard, 1830*

Alleluia! sing to Jesus; his the scepter, his the throne.

Alleluia! His the triumph, his the victory alone.

Hark! the songs of peaceful Zion thunder like a mighty flood

Jesus, out of every nation, hath redeemed us by his blood

Alleluia! not as orphans are we left in sorrow now;

Alleluia! He is near us; faith believes, nor questions how.

Though the cloud from sight received him when the forty days were o'er

Shall our hearts forget his promise: "I am with you evermore"?

## Opening Sentences

*Wes*

LEADER Blessed be God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

PEOPLE *And blessed be his 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.**

## Songs of Worship

### How Great Is Your Faithfulness

*Matt Redman*

Now unto the King who reigns over all  
And never changes or turns  
Unfailing justice, unfading grace  
Whose promises remain  
Yes, your promises remain

*The heavens ring  
The saints all sing  
Great is your faithfulness  
From age to age we will proclaim  
Great is your faithfulness  
How great is your faithfulness*

Everything changes, but you stay the same  
Your word and kingdom endure  
We lean on the promise of all that you are  
And trust forevermore  
We will trust forevermore

From generation to generation,  
You never fail us, O God  
Yesterday and today and tomorrow,  
Until the day you return

### O Praise the Name

I cast my mind to Calvary  
Where Jesus bled and died for me  
I see his wounds, his hands, his feet

My Savior on that cursed tree

His body bound and drenched in tears  
They laid him down in Joseph's tomb  
The entrance sealed by heavy stone  
Messiah still and all alone

*O praise the name of the Lord our God  
O praise his name forevermore  
For endless days we will sing your praise  
Oh Lord, Oh Lord our God*

Then on the third at break of dawn  
The Son of Heaven rose again  
O trampled death, where is your sting?  
The angels roar for Christ the King

He shall return in robes of white  
The blazing sun shall pierce the night  
And I will rise among the saints  
My gaze transfixed on Jesus' face

## The Collect of the Day *The People Stand*

LEADER    The Lord is here.

PEOPLE    ***And his Spirit is with us.***

LEADER    Let us pray.

ALL        ***Almighty God, give us the increase of faith, hope, and love;  
and, that we may obtain what you have promised, make us  
love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who  
lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for  
ever and ever. Amen.***

# Children's Dismissal

## Let the Flame Burn Brighter

Let the flame burn brighter  
In the heart of the darkness  
Turning night to glorious day  
Let the song grow louder  
As our love grows stronger  
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine

## First Reading *The People Sit*

*Genesis 15:1–6 (NIV)*

LECTOR            A reading from Genesis 15.

<sup>15:1</sup> After this, the word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision:

“Do not be afraid, Abram.  
I am your shield,  
your very great reward.”

<sup>2</sup> But Abram said, “Sovereign Lord, what can you give me since I remain childless and the one who will inherit my estate is Eliezer of Damascus?”

<sup>3</sup> And Abram said, “You have given me no children; so a servant in my household will be my heir.”

<sup>4</sup> Then the word of the Lord came to him: “This man will not be your heir, but a son who is your own flesh and blood will be your heir.” <sup>5</sup> He took him outside and said, “Look up at the sky and count the stars—if indeed you can count them.” Then he said to him, “So shall your offspring be.”

<sup>6</sup> Abram believed the Lord, and he credited it to him as righteousness.

LECTOR            The Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE            *Thanks be to God.*

LECTOR            Let us pray **Psalm 33** antiphonally by whole verse,  
beginning with the east side of the room.

- 10 The LORD brings the will of the nations to naught; \*  
he thwarts the designs of the peoples.
- 11 *But the LORD's will stands fast for ever, \**  
*and the designs of his heart from age to age.*
- 12 Happy is the nation whose God is the LORD! \*  
happy the people he has chosen to be his own!
- 13 *The LORD looks down from heaven, \**  
*and beholds all the people in the world.*
- 14 From where he sits enthroned he turns his gaze \*  
on all who dwell on the earth.
- 15 *He fashions all the hearts of them \**  
*and understands all their works.*
- 16 There is no king that can be saved by a mighty army; \*  
a strong man is not delivered by his great strength.
- 17 *The horse is a vain hope for deliverance; \**  
*for all its strength it cannot save.*
- 18 Behold, the eye of the LORD is upon those who fear him, \*  
on those who wait upon his love,
- 19 *To pluck their lives from death, \**  
*and to feed them in time of famine.*
- 20 Our soul waits for the LORD; \*  
he is our help and our shield.
- 21 *Indeed, our heart rejoices in him, \**  
*for in his holy Name we put our trust.*
- 22 Let your lovingkindness, O LORD, be upon us, \*  
as we have put our trust in you.

ALL            *Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.*

LECTOR

A reading from Hebrews 11.

<sup>11:1</sup> Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see. <sup>2</sup> This is what the ancients were commended for.

<sup>3</sup> By faith we understand that the universe was formed at God's command, so that what is seen was not made out of what was visible.

<sup>4</sup> By faith Abel brought God a better offering than Cain did. By faith he was commended as righteous, when God spoke well of his offerings. And by faith Abel still speaks, even though he is dead.

<sup>5</sup> By faith Enoch was taken from this life, so that he did not experience death: "He could not be found, because God had taken him away." For before he was taken, he was commended as one who pleased God.

<sup>6</sup> And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him.

<sup>7</sup> By faith Noah, when warned about things not yet seen, in holy fear built an ark to save his family. By his faith he condemned the world and became heir of the righteousness that is in keeping with faith.

<sup>8</sup> By faith Abraham, when called to go to a place he would later receive as his inheritance, obeyed and went, even though he did not know where he was going. <sup>9</sup> By faith he made his home in the promised land like a stranger in a foreign country; he lived in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. <sup>10</sup> For he was looking forward to the city with foundations, whose architect and builder is God. <sup>11</sup> And by faith even Sarah, who was past childbearing age, was enabled to bear children because she considered him faithful who had made the promise. <sup>12</sup> And so from this one man, and he as good as dead, came descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky and as countless as the sand on the seashore.

<sup>13</sup> All these people were still living by faith when they died. They did not

receive the things promised; they only saw them and welcomed them from a distance, admitting that they were foreigners and strangers on earth.<sup>14</sup> People who say such things show that they are looking for a country of their own.<sup>15</sup> If they had been thinking of the country they had left, they would have had opportunity to return.<sup>16</sup> Instead, they were longing for a better country—a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared a city for them.

LECTOR            The Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE            *Thanks be to God.*

## The Gospel Song

### Send Your Word, O Lord

*Marty Reardon*

Send your Word, O Lord  
We long to see your healing in the earth  
Send your Word, O Lord  
We long to see the broken heart restored

## The Gospel

*Luke 12:32–40*

DEACON    The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
              according to St. Luke.

PEOPLE    *Glory to you, Lord Christ*

<sup>12:32</sup> “Do not be afraid, little flock, for your Father has been pleased to give you the kingdom.<sup>33</sup> Sell your possessions and give to the poor. Provide purses for yourselves that will not wear out, a treasure in heaven that will never fail, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys.

<sup>34</sup> For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

<sup>35</sup> “Be dressed ready for service and keep your lamps burning, <sup>36</sup> like servants waiting for their master to return from a wedding banquet, so that when he comes and knocks they can immediately open the door for him. <sup>37</sup> It will be good for those servants whose master finds them watching when he comes. Truly I tell you, he will dress himself to serve, will have them recline at the table and will come and wait on them. <sup>38</sup> It will be good for those servants whose master finds them ready, even if he comes in the middle of the night or toward daybreak. <sup>39</sup> But understand this: If the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. <sup>40</sup> You also must be ready, because the Son of Man will come at an hour when you do not expect him.”

DEACON    The Gospel of the Lord  
PEOPLE    *Praise to you, Lord Christ*

### Send Your Word, O Lord (reprise)

Send your Word, O Lord  
We long to see your healing in the earth  
Send your Word, O Lord  
We long to see the broken heart restored

## The Sermon

*The People Sit*



# The Nicene Creed

Michael

LEADER     Let us confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed:

LEADER 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:  
By the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
He suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;  
He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.  
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the Prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic\* and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

\* Universal

# The Prayers of the People

LECTOR     Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Compassionate God, you hear and answer our prayer for our good.

In hope we pray:

***God, come to our aid.***

You are our helper: guide your Church to listen deeply and journey together toward you.

In hope we pray:

***God, come to our aid.***

Raise up leaders who are wise and humble

In hope we pray:

***God, come to our aid.***

Give perseverance to missionaries, volunteers, and social workers.

In hope we pray:

***God, come to our aid.***

Extend our hearts toward the homeless and hungry, and prosper opportunities to provide for their needs.

In hope we pray:

***God, come to our aid.***

Restore life in places devastated by war, tragedy, or environmental disaster.

In hope we pray:

***God, come to our aid.***

For all those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity. We especially remember Terry Barnes, David Bennett, Jan Bennett, Gail Blanchard, Diana Bridgeman, Rachel Chisolm, Matson Duncan, Nate [GAB-rish] Gabrysch, Eric Kaufman, Samantha Lesan, Amanda McCamant, Verlea [ver-LEE] Pierce, Bill Taylor, Diane Thompson, Christine Warner, Thomas Whitlock, and others you have laid upon our hearts.

In hope we pray:  
**God, come to our aid.**

Comfort those who grieve the loss of loved ones.

In hope we pray:  
**God, come to our aid.**

May the Spirit of God enlighten our hearts, that we may know the hope that belongs to us in Christ and the surpassing greatness of God's power for us who believe.

CELEBRANT (*Nancy*)

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth:  
Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do  
your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## The Peace

MICHAEL        Please stand.  
                      The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
PEOPLE         ***And also with you.***

*The people sit.*

## Announcements

*Michael*

### PRAYER FOR BIRTHDAYS

*Nancy*

*Watch over thy children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may thy peace which passes all understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

## PRAYER FOR ANNIVERSARIES

*O God, you have so blessed the covenant of marriage that in it is represented the spiritual unity between Christ and his Church: Send your blessing upon these your children, that their lives together may continue to reflect your love and forgiveness and that their home may be a haven of blessing and peace; we pray in Christ's name. Amen.*

CELEBRANT (*Nancy*)      Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

## Offering & Congregational Song

### Good to Me

*Words & music by Leslie Jordan & Nick Chambers*

I can taste the sweetness of your mercy  
But I feel the sting of grief still in my chest  
Not sure I've known the one without the other  
So I will cling to the belief I know the best

*You have been, you will be  
You are so good to me*

I reach out my hand in hopes you'll hold on  
I time and time again find empty space  
I will keep them open though they're shaking  
And call to mind the times I've felt the grip of grace

*You have been, you will be  
You are still here with me*

## Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise him, all creatures here below;  
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

## Holy Communion,

Nancy

CELEBRANT     The Lord is here.  
PEOPLE         *And his Spirit is with us.*  
CELEBRANT     Lift up your hearts.  
PEOPLE         *We lift them up to the Lord.*  
CELEBRANT     Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
PEOPLE         *It is right to give him thanks and praise.*

It is right, our duty and joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is your living Word from before time and for all ages; by him you created all things, and by him you make all things new.

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:

[say]

*Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.*

*The People Kneel or Stand*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent your only Son Jesus Christ into the world for our salvation. By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he became flesh and dwelt among us. In obedience to your will, he stretched out his arms upon the Cross and offered himself once for all, that by his suffering and death we might be saved. By his resurrection he broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory, that we might come with confidence before the throne of grace.

On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it,\* and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body, which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for 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 in remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Sanctify us also, that we may worthily receive this holy Sacrament, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us and we in him. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us with all your saints into the joy of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face.

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.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray...

[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  
Forever and ever, Amen.*

## The Breaking of the Bread

CELEBRANT      Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

PEOPLE            ***Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!***

CELEBRANT      The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

## Communion Music

### We Do Not Presume

*Music by Andy Piercy & David Clifton*

We do not presume to come to your table  
Trusting in our own righteousness  
For we are not worthy so much as to gather  
The crumbs from under your table

But trusting, O Lord, in your great and manifold mercies  
For you are the same Lord, whose nature is always to have mercy  
So cleanse us and feed us with the body and blood of your Son  
That we may live in him and that he may live in us  
For ever and ever. Amen.

## Trinity Song

*Sandra McCracken*

Holy Father, Son, and Spirit  
Holy communion, Three-in-One

Come, with your peace, with your invitation  
Bind us together in holy love

## All Things Rise

*Sam Yoder*

God, how beautiful your Holy Word  
That formed the worlds in such goodness  
O, the shame that we would spurn it all  
To turn and fall into darkness

God, we'll sing how through your Son you turned  
This loss and hurt into glory  
How when scorned in death you raised him up  
His gain's become the whole world's story

*Let all things rise and bless your name  
All things made right and new again  
O Lord our God, your goodness is free and boundless  
Is reaching endless through it all*

And on this road with every step we take  
Your faithfulness is our portion  
You've prepared a city bright and fair  
Whose gates forever stay open

Son of God, in you we've taken up



The way of love's occupation  
O, the joy to share in your reward  
The stunning turn of new creation

*Let all things rise and bless your name  
All things made right and new again  
Let all things rise and bless your name  
All things made right and new again  
O Lord our God, your goodness is free and boundless  
Is reaching endless through it all*

Just as you promised, God, your Son was raised up  
In him, we'll follow, in him we'll all be raised up

O Lord, you've made yourself a home  
Heaven and earth forever one  
All things once sown in weakness you raise in promise  
Your beauty arches above it all

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Your beauty arches above it all

## Prayer for Mission

*Michael*

ALL      *Heavenly Father, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal Kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.*

## The Blessing

*Nancy*

### CELEBRANT

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

## Procession into the World

### Alleluia! Sing to Jesus (continued)

Alleluia! bread of heaven, thou on earth our food and stay.  
Alleluia! here the sinful flee to thee from day to day.  
Intercessor, Friend of sinners; Earth's Redeemer, plead for me.  
Where the songs of all the sinless sweep across the crystal sea.

Alleluia! King eternal, thee the Lord of lords we own;  
Alleluia! born of Mary; Earth thy footstool, heaven thy throne.  
Thou within the veil hast entered, robed in flesh, our great High Priest:  
Thou on earth both Priest and Victim in the Eucharistic feast!

## The Dismissal

*Michael (or other Deacon)*

DEACON            Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia!  
                      Alleluia! Alleluia!

PEOPLE            *Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

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