

# Holy Eucharist,

Eucharistic Prayer A

## Opening Hymn *The People Stand*

### **Be Thou My Vision**

*Words adapted from ancient Irish poem, ca. 8th century; Music: Traditional Irish folk melody*

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;  
Naught be all else to me, save that thou art:  
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,  
Waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true Word;  
I ever with thee and thou with me Lord:  
Thou my great Father, and I thy true son,  
Thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

## Opening Sentences

CELEBRANT Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

PEOPLE ***The Lord is Risen indeed! Alleluia!***

## 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 Confession and Absolution of Sin

LEADER Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

LEADER & PEOPLE

*Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name. Amen.*

CELEBRANT

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

## Songs of Worship

### The Goodness of God

*Words & music by Jenn Johnson, Ed Cash, Jason Ingram, Ben Fielding, and Brian Johnson, 2018*

I love you, Lord  
Oh, your mercy never fails me  
All my days I've been held in your hands  
From the moment that I wake up  
Until I lay my head  
I will sing of the goodness of God

*All my life you have been faithful  
All my life you have been so so good  
With every breath that I am able  
I will sing of the goodness of God*

I love your voice  
You have led me through the fire  
In darkest night you are close like no other  
I've known you as a father  
I've known you as a friend  
I have lived in the goodness of God

Your goodness is running after  
It's running after me  
Your goodness is running after  
It's running after me  
With my life laid down  
I'm surrendered now  
I give you everything  
Your goodness is running after  
It's running after me

## 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         *O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son  
Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven:  
Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit  
to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior  
Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and  
the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. 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*

*Ezekiel 39:21–29 (NIV)*

LECTOR            A reading from Ezekiel 39.

<sup>39:21</sup>“And I will set my glory among the nations, and all the nations shall see my judgment that I have executed, and my hand that I have laid on them. <sup>22</sup> The house of Israel shall know that I am the Lord their God, from that day forward. <sup>23</sup> And the nations shall know that the house of Israel went into captivity for their iniquity, because they dealt so treacherously with me that I hid my face from them and gave them into the hand of their adversaries, and they all fell by the sword. <sup>24</sup> I dealt with them according to their uncleanness and their transgressions, and hid my face from them.

<sup>25</sup>“Therefore thus says the Lord God: Now I will restore the fortunes of Jacob and have mercy on the whole house of Israel, and I will be jealous for my holy name. <sup>26</sup> They shall forget their shame and all the treachery they have practiced against me, when they dwell securely in their land with none to make them afraid, <sup>27</sup> when I have brought them back from the peoples and gathered them from their enemies' lands, and through them have vindicated my holiness in the sight of many nations. <sup>28</sup> Then they shall know that I am the Lord their God, because I sent them into exile among the nations and then assembled them into their own land. I will leave none of them remaining among the nations anymore. <sup>29</sup> And

I will not hide my face anymore from them, when I pour out my Spirit upon the house of Israel, declares the Lord God.”

LECTOR           The Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE           *Thanks be to God.*

**Psalter** *The People Stand*

*Psalm 68:7–20*

LECTOR           Let us pray **Psalm 68** responsively by half verse.

- 7 O God, when you went forth before your people, \*  
*when you marched through the wilderness,*
- 8 The earth shook, and the skies poured down rain,  
at the presence of God, the God of Sinai, \*  
*at the presence of God, the God of Israel.*
- 9 You sent a gracious rain, O God, upon your inheritance; \*  
*you refreshed the land when it was weary.*
- 10 Your people found their home in it; \*  
*in your goodness, O God, you have made provision for the poor.*
- 11 The LORD gave the word; \*  
*great was the company of women who bore the tidings:*
- 12 “Kings with their armies are fleeing away; \*  
*the women at home are dividing the spoils.”*
- 13 Though you lingered among the sheepfolds, \*  
*you shall be like a dove whose wings are covered with silver,  
whose feathers are like green gold.*
- 14 When the Almighty scattered kings, \*  
*it was like snow falling in Zalmon.*
- 15 O mighty mountain, O hill of Bashan! \*  
*O rugged mountain, O hill of Bashan!*
- 16 Why do you look with envy, O rugged mountain,  
at the hill which God chose for his resting place? \*  
*truly, the LORD will dwell there for ever.*

- 17 The chariots of God are twenty thousand,  
even thousands of thousands; \*  
*the Lord comes in holiness from Sinai.*
- 18 You have gone up on high and led captivity captive;  
you have received gifts even from your enemies, \*  
*that the LORD God might dwell among them.*
- 19 Blessed be the LORD day by day, \*  
*the God of our salvation, who bears our burdens.*
- 20 He is our God, the God of our salvation; \*  
*God is the LORD, by whom we escape death.*

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.*

## Second Reading *The People Sit*

*Acts 1:1–5 (NIV)*

LECTOR A reading from Acts 1.

<sup>1:1</sup> In the first book, O Theophilus, I have dealt with all that Jesus began to do and teach, <sup>2</sup> until the day when he was taken up, after he had given commands through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. <sup>3</sup> He presented himself alive to them after his suffering by many proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God.

<sup>4</sup> And while staying with them he ordered them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the promise of the Father, which, he said, “you heard from me; <sup>5</sup> for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.”

LECTOR The Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE *Thanks be to God.*

# The Gospel Song

## Jesus Loves Me, This I Know

Jesus loves me! this I know  
For the Bible tells me so  
Little ones to him belong  
They are weak, but he is strong

Yes, Jesus loves me, yes, Jesus loves me  
Yes, Jesus loves me, the Bible tells me so

## The Gospel

*John 17:1–11*

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

PEOPLE    *Glory to you, Lord Christ*

<sup>17:1</sup> When Jesus had spoken these words, he lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son that the Son may glorify you, <sup>2</sup> since you have given him authority over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. <sup>3</sup> And this is eternal life, that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. <sup>4</sup> I glorified you on earth, having accomplished the work that you gave me to do. <sup>5</sup> And now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had with you before the world existed.

<sup>6</sup> "I have manifested your name to the people whom you gave me out of the world. Yours they were, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. <sup>7</sup> Now they know that everything that you have given me is from you. <sup>8</sup> For I have given them the words that you gave me, and they have received them and have come to know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. <sup>9</sup> I am praying for them. I am not praying for the world but for those whom you have given me, for they are yours. <sup>10</sup> All mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I am glorified in them. <sup>11</sup> And I am no longer in the world, but they are in the

world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one.

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

### **Jesus Loves Me, This I Know**

Jesus loves me, He will stay  
Close beside me all the way;  
Thou hast bled and died for me,  
I will henceforth live for Thee.

Yes, Jesus loves me, yes, Jesus loves me  
Yes, Jesus loves me, the Bible tells me so

**The Sermon**                      *The People Sit*

### **The Nicene Creed**

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

## Prayer of Sending for the Dampiers

Our Father in Heaven, we pray for the Dampier family as they enter a season of Sabbath rest. Preserve them as they travel; surround them with your loving care; protect them from every danger; and bring them safely to their return. May it be for them a time of restoration, refreshment, beauty, and joy.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

May their time be marked by a sense of abundance and freedom; may they be fully present to each day of this sabbatical, and release to your care all their responsibilities and relationships at home.

*We ask that they will be refreshed. Grant each of them encounters with Christ in fresh and powerful ways; may they each drink deeply of his living waters.*

We pray also for Christ Church in their absence. For our staff, vestry,

and congregation, we ask for trust in your abundant provision as our Great Shepherd. May we rest secure in your purposes for our church, and confident in the work you will do in all of us during this sabbatical season.

*Deepen our unity with, and love for, each other. May we be faithful in our prayers for the Dampiers and faithful in continuation of our mission as a church.*

We ask you to graciously bless the Dampiers, whom we love, while they are absent from us. Grant that both they and we, drawing nearer to you, may be bound together by your love in the communion of your Holy Spirit.

*Concluding prayer led by Brian (9am) or Billy (11am).*

## The Peace *The People Stand*

CELEBRANT     The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
PEOPLE         *And also with you.*

*The people sit.*

## Announcements

### PRAYER FOR BIRTHDAYS

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

### Offering & Congregational Song

#### Lily of the Valley

*Words & music by David Ruiz, 2000*

Lily of the Valley  
Bright and Morning Star  
Fairest of ten thousand You are  
How can I perceive Your beauty?  
I long to see Your face  
Jesus Jesus

Holy Lamb of heaven  
Perfect Son of Man  
Acquainted with our suffering  
Broken for us all  
How can I perceive Your mercy?  
Help me find Your grace

Jesus Jesus Jesus Jesus

*More of You and less of me  
And more of You and less of me  
And more of You more of You oh Jesus*

Desire of the nations  
The risen coming King  
Holding the scepter of justice  
You reign You reign  
How can I perceive Your coming?  
May You find faith on this earth  
Jesus Jesus Jesus Jesus

## 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, Prayer A *The People Stand*

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, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, through your dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who after his most glorious resurrection appeared to his Apostles, and in their sight ascended into heaven to prepare a place for us; that where he is, there we might also ascend, and reign with him in glory.

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 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:

***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. 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.**

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.

### **Yet Not I, but through Christ in Me**

*Words & music by Jonny Robinson, Michael Farren, & Rich Thompson, 2018*

What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer!  
There is no more for heaven now to give  
He is my joy, my righteousness and freedom  
My steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace  
To this I hold: my hope is only Jesus  
For my life is wholly bound to his  
Oh how strange and divine, I can sing: all is mine!  
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

The night is dark, but I am not forsaken  
For by my side, the Savior, he will stay  
I labor on in weakness and rejoicing  
For in my need his power is displayed  
To this I hold: my Shepherd will defend me  
Through the deepest valley he will lead  
Oh the night has been won, and I shall overcome  
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

No fate I dread; I know I am forgiven  
The future sure, the price it has been paid  
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon  
And he was raised to overthrow the grave  
To this I hold: my sin has been defeated  
Jesus now and ever is my plea  
Oh the chains are released; I can sing: I am free!  
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

With every breath I long to follow Jesus  
For he has said that he will bring me home  
And day by day, I know he will renew me  
Until I stand with joy before the throne  
To this I hold: my hope is only Jesus  
All the glory evermore to him  
When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat  
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

## **No Longer Slaves**

*Words & music by Joel Case & Jonathan David Helser, 2014*

You unravel me with a melody  
You surround me with a song  
Of deliverance from my enemies  
Till all my fears are gone

*I'm no longer a slave to fear  
I am a child of God  
I'm no longer a slave to fear  
I am a child of God*

From my Mother's womb  
You have chosen me  
Love has called my name  
I've been born again into Your family  
Your blood flows through my veins

You split the sea so I could walk right through it  
My fears were drowned in perfect love  
You rescued me so I could stand and sing  
I am a child of God

## **Holy Spirit**

*Words & Music by Bryan & Katie Torwalt, 2011*

There's nothing worth more, that could ever come close  
No thing can compare, you're our living hope  
Your presence, Lord

I've tasted and seen, of the sweetest of loves  
Where my heart becomes free, and my shame is undone  
In your presence, Lord

*Holy Spirit, you are welcome here  
Come flood this place and fill the atmosphere  
Your glory, God, is what our hearts long for  
To be overcome by your presence Lord*

Let us become more aware of your presence  
Let us experience the glory of your goodness

## Prayer for Mission

ALL

*Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace and mission, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

*MATT: Invite Paul & Sara Schultz up for prayer & sending.*

## The Blessing

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 *The People Stand*

### Be Thou My Vision

*Words adapted from ancient Irish poem, ca. 8th century; Music: Traditional Irish folk melody*

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,  
Thou mine inheritance, now and always;  
Thou and thou only, first in my heart,  
High King of heaven, my Treasure thou art.

High King of heaven, my victory won,  
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun

Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,  
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

## The Dismissal

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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