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*Be thankful, be silent, be reverent, for this is the House of God.
Before the service, speak to the Lord.
During the service, let the Lord speak to you.
After the service, speak to one another.*

PRELUDE

Celebrant

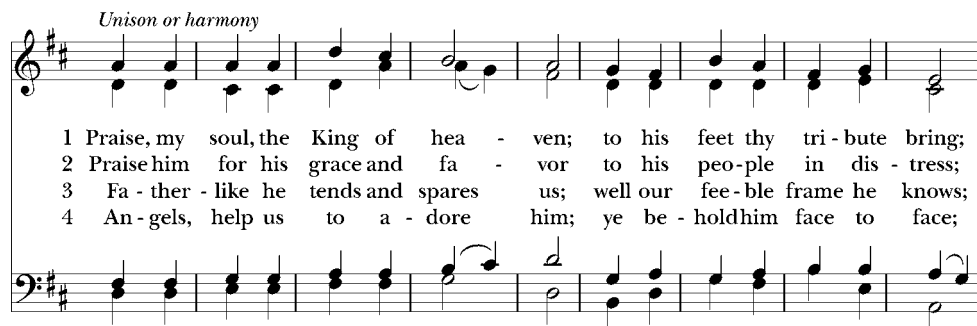
I am Resurrection and I am Life, says the Lord. Whoever has faith in me shall have life, even though he die. And everyone who has life, and has committed himself to me in faith, shall not die for ever.

As for me, I know that my Redeemer lives and that at the last he will stand upon the earth. After my awaking, he will raise me up; and in my body I shall see God. I myself shall see, and my eyes behold him who is my friend and not a stranger.

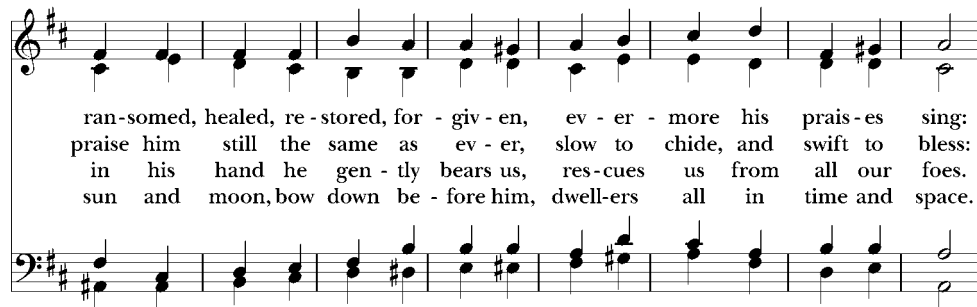
For none of us has life in himself, and none becomes his own master when he dies. For if we have life, we are alive in the Lord, and if we die, we die in the Lord. So, then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's possession.

Happy from now on are those who die in the Lord! So it is, says the Spirit, for they rest from their labors.

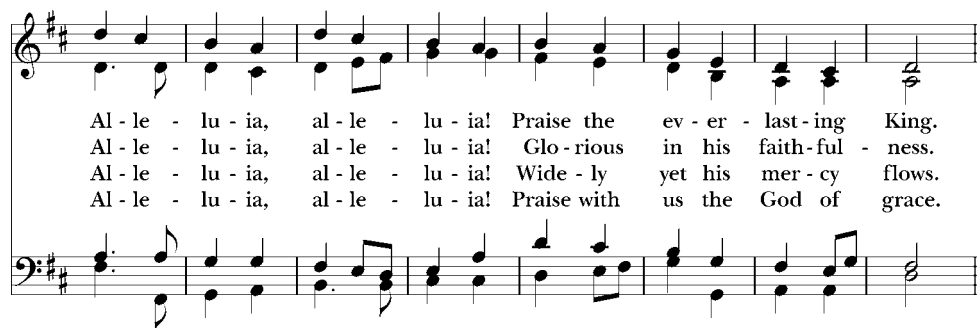
Unison or harmony



1 Praise, my soul, the King of hea - ven; to his feet thy tri - bute bring;
 2 Praise him for his grace and fa - vor to his peo - ple in dis - tress;
 3 Fa - ther - like he tends and spares us; well our fee - ble frame he knows;
 4 An - gels, help us to a - dore him; ye be - hold him face to face;



ran - sored, healed, re - stored, for - giv - en, ev - er - more his prais - es sing:
 praise him still the same as ev - er, slow to chide, and swift to bless:
 in his hand he gen - tly bears us, res - cues us from all our foes.
 sun and moon, bow down be - fore him, dwell - ers all in time and space.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise the ev - er - last - ing King.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Glo - rious in his faith - ful - ness.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Wide - ly yet his mer - cy flows.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise with us the God of grace.

Celebrant

The Lord be with you.

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

Let us pray.

O God of grace and glory, we remember before you this day our brother Charles and our sister Barbara. We thank you for giving them to us, their family and friends, to know and to love as companions on our earthly pilgrimage. In your boundless compassion, console us who mourn. Give us faith to see in death the gate of eternal life, so that in quiet confidence we may continue our course on earth, until, by your call, we are reunited with those who have gone before; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Most merciful God, whose wisdom is beyond our understanding, deal graciously with Charles and Barbara's family in their grief. Surround them with your love, that they may not be overwhelmed by their loss, but have confidence in your goodness, and strength to meet the days to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST READING

ISAIAH 61:1-3

The spirit of the Lord God is upon me because the Lord has anointed me; he has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed, to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives and release to the prisoners, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor and the day of vengeance of our God, to comfort all who mourn, to provide for those who mourn in Zion—to give them a garland instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, the mantle of praise instead of a faint spirit. They will be called oaks of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, to display his glory.

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

HYMN 645

The King of love my shepherd is



1 The King of love my shep-herd is, whose good-ness
2 Where streams of liv-ing wa-ter flow, my ran-somed
* 3 Per-verse and fool-ish oft I strayed, but yet in
* 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill with thee, dear
5 Thou spread'st a ta-ble in my sight; thy unc-tion
6 And so through all the length of days thy good-ness



1 fail-eth nev-er; I noth-ing lack if
2 soul he lead-eth, and where the ver-dant
3 love he sought me, and on his shoul-der
4 Lord, be-side me; thy rod and staff my
5 grace be-stow-eth; and oh, what trans-port
6 fail-eth nev-er: Good Shep-herd, may I



1 I am his, and he is mine for ev-er.
2 pas-tures grow, with food ce-less-tial feed-eth.
3 gent-ly laid, and home, re-joic-ing, brought me.
4 com-fort still, thy cross be-fore to guide me.
5 of de-light from thy pure chal-ice flow-eth!
6 sing thy praise with-in thy house for ev-er.

Words: Henry Williams Baker (1821-1877); para. Psalm 23. Music: *St. Columba*, Irish melody, harm. *Hymnal 1982*.

For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs: heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ, if we in fact suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him. I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God. Who is to condemn? It is Christ who died, or rather, who was raised, who is also at the right hand of God, who also intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will affliction or distress or persecution or famine or nakedness or peril or sword? No, in all these things we are more than victorious through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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

HYMN 208

The strife is o'er, the battle done (Victory)

Verse 1

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

**The strife is o'er, the battle done,
 the victory of life is won;
 the song of triumph has begun.
 Alleluia!**

THE GOSPEL

JOHN 10:11-17; 11:21-27

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus the Good Shepherd - Jesus said "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away, and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own, and my own know me, just as the Father knows me, and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd.

Jesus consoles Martha over the death of Lazarus - Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Lord! by the stripes which wounded thee,
 from death's dread sting thy servants free,
 that we may live and sing to thee. Alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

REMEMBRANCES

THE HOMILY

THE RT. REV. ROBERT IHLOFF

A PRAYER OF BELIEF (Adapted from Richard Rohr's Center for Action and Contemplation)

Expanded and Modified by: Bishop Charles Longest

Celebrant In the assurance of eternal life given at Baptism, let us proclaim our faith and pray,

Celebrant and People

YOU alone are the One we call GOD.

YOU are above us all and in us all,

YOU are the Great I am who I am Becoming.

YOU are the Ground of all "Becoming"---in your Creation that is "Becoming".

YOU are Becoming itself.

**YOU are Love, that eternal mystery that enables, enfolds, enlivens,
 and Loves all that is**

into Becoming what YOU created them to Become.

You give to all the Courage to Be, even us and even me.

YOU are Love, and in the fully human one created in your Express Image, You are the One we call Jesus.

YOU, in the empowering and inspiring Lord, the Giver of Life, we call Holy Spirit.

I am Becoming to know that YOU are in me and I am in YOU.

Every Name for YOU falls short of knowing YOU.

We can only know YOU in what is "Becoming".

We ask for such aided Knowledge and Sight.

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be. Amen. (So be it)

THE PRAYERS

- Celebrant* For our brother Charles and our sister Barbara, let us pray to our Lord Jesus Christ who said, “I am Resurrection and I am Life.”
- Celebrant* Lord, you consoled Martha and Mary in their distress; draw near to us who mourn for Charles and Barbara, and dry the tears of those who weep.
- People* **Hear us, Lord.**
- Celebrant* You wept at the grave of Lazarus, your friend; comfort us in our sorrow.
- People* **Hear us, Lord.**
- Celebrant* You raised the dead to life; give to our brother and sister eternal life.
- People* **Hear us, Lord.**
- Celebrant* You promised paradise to the thief who repented; bring our brother and sister to the joys of heaven.
- People* **Hear us, Lord.**
- Celebrant* Our brother and sister were washed in Baptism and anointed with the Holy Spirit; give them fellowship with all your saints.
- People* **Hear us, Lord.**
- Celebrant* Comfort us in our sorrows at the deaths of our brother and sister; let our faith be our consolation, and eternal life our hope.
- Silence may be kept.*
- Celebrant* Lord Jesus Christ, we commend to you our brother Charles and our sister Barbara, who were reborn by water and the Spirit in Holy Baptism. Grant that their deaths may recall to us your victory over death, and be an occasion for us to renew our trust in your Father’s love. Give us, we pray, the faith to follow where you have led the way; and where you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, to the ages of ages. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

- Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.
- People* **And also with you.**
- Please warmly greet one another with the peace of Christ*

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

- The people remain standing*
- 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 God thanks and praise.**
- Celebrant* 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 Jesus Christ our Lord; who rose victorious from the dead, and comforts us with the blessed hope of everlasting life. For to your faithful people, O Lord, life is changed, not ended; and when our mortal body lies in death, there is prepared for us a dwelling place eternal in the heavens. 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:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
 heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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The People stand or kneel

Celebrant

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

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

*Celebrant and
People*

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

Celebrant

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and

bring us to that heavenly country where, with [_____ and] all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. 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.

*Celebrant and
People*

AMEN.

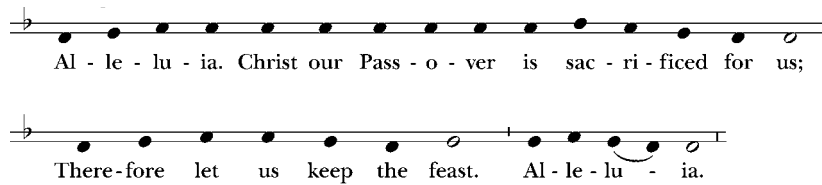
THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

*Celebrant and
People*

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.

HYMN S 152



Al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;
There - fore let us keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia.

This setting may be sung full by all, or by the choir, or as a versicle and response.

Music: Ambrosian chant; adapt. Mason Martens (1933-1991). Copyright © 1971 Mason Martens.

Unison or harmony

1 I come with joy to meet my Lord, for -
 2 I come with Chris - tians far and near to -
 3 As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each
 4 And thus with joy we meet our Lord. His
 5 To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound, we'll

1 giv - en, loved, and free, in awe and won - der
 2 find, as all are fed, the new com - mu - ni -
 3 proud di - vi - sion ends. That love that made us
 4 pres - ence, al - ways near, is in such friend - ship
 5 go our dif - ferent ways, and as his peo - ple

1 to re - call his life laid down for me.
 2 ty of love in Christ's com - mun - ion bread.
 3 makes us one, and stran - gers now are friends.
 4 bet - ter known: we see, and praise him here.
 5 in the world, we'll live and speak his praise.

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THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

*Celebrant and
People*

Almighty God, we thank you that in your great love you have fed us with the spiritual food and drink of the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ, and have given us a foretaste of your heavenly banquet. Grant that this Sacrament may be to us a comfort in affliction, and a pledge of our inheritance in that kingdom where there is no death, neither sorrow nor crying, but the fullness of joy with all your saints; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

HYMN 287

For all the saints, who from their labors rest (v. 1 & 4)



1 For all the saints, who from their la - bors rest, who
 2 Thou wast their rock, their for - tress, and their might:—
 3 O may thy sol - diers, faith - ful, true, and bold,—
 4 O blest com - mun - ion, fel - low - ship di - vine!—



thee— by faith be - fore the world con - fessed, thy
 thou, Lord, their Cap - tain in the well - fought fight;—
 fight as the saints who no - bly fought of old, and
 We feeb - ly strug - gle, they in glo - ry shine; yet



Name, O— Je - sus, be for ev - er blessed.
 thou, in the dark - ness drear, the one true Light.
 win, with— them, the vic - tor's crown of gold.
 all are— one in thee, for all are thine.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

THE COMMENDATION

Celebrant

Give rest, O Christ, to your servants with your saints,
where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing, but life everlasting.

People

You only are immortal, the creator and maker of mankind; and we are mortal, formed of the earth, and to earth shall we return. For so did you ordain when you created me, saying, "You are dust, and to dust you shall return." All of us go down to the dust; yet even at the grave we make our song: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

People

Give rest, O Christ, to your servants with your saints, where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing, but life everlasting.

Celebrant

Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servants Charles and Barbara. Acknowledge, we humbly beseech you, sheep of your own fold, lambs of your own flock, sinners of your own redeeming; Receive them into the arms of your mercy, into the blessed rest of everlasting peace, and into the glorious company of the saints in light. **Amen.**

THE BLESSING

Descant




Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim

Refrain



Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim



till all the world a - dore his sa - cred Name.



till all the world a - dore his sa - cred Name.



Led on their way by this tri - um - phant sign,
 Each new - born ser - vant of the Cru - ci - fied
 O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,
 So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be:



Repeat Refrain



the hosts of God in con - quering ranks com - bine.
 bears on the brow the seal of him who died.
 as thou hast prom - ised, draw the world to thee.
 praise to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry.



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THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant

Alleluia, Christ is risen!

People

The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Celebrant

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People

Thanks be to God.

Ministers of the Service

Celebrant

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