

# **Sunday Services**

9 AM • Holy Eucharist, Rite II
11 AM • Morning Prayer, Rite I
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(First Sundays each month)

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The Rev. Cn. Richard Visconti

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# St. John's Episcopal Church



A Parish in Southampton, NY that makes a difference



Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany
February 9, 2025 • Holy Eucharist, Rite II • 10 AM

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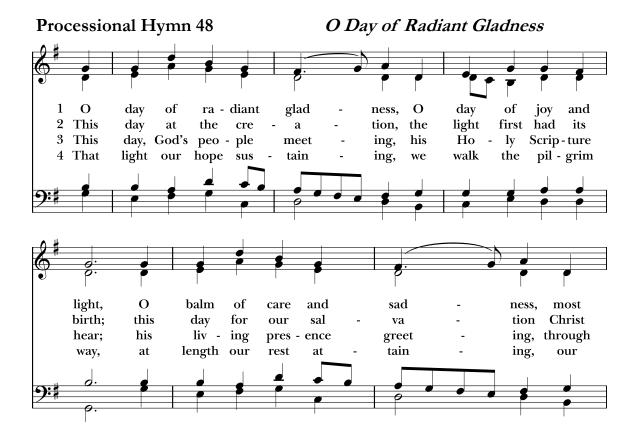
# Welcome to St. John's!

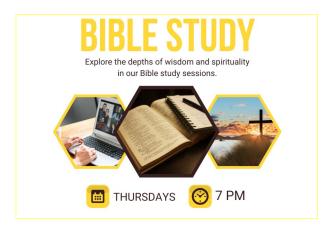
If you're visiting us today, we warmly invite you to sign our guest register at the back of the church and share your contact information. This helps us stay connected and share updates about our ministries, events, and opportunities to grow in faith.

We're delighted you've joined us for worship. May the peace of Christ fill your heart and the Word of God inspire you during this time together.

#### Prelude

# **Gathering Prayer**





Join us for our weekly Bible Study series, led by The Reverend Dr. Cecily Broderick -Guerra, every Thursday at 7 PM via Zoom! This engaging study brings together participants from various congregations across the Diocese. This season, we will explore the minor prophets of the Hebrew Scriptures—Micah, Nahum, Habakkuk, Zephaniah, and Haggai—continuing until Ash Wednesday. Each session concludes with Compline at 8 PM.

Meeting ID: 837 6688 5713 Passcode: ChChBible

Everyone is welcome to join as we come together in faith, fellowship, and the study of God's word. Visit our website for more information. See you online!

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**KNITTING GROUP:** Our group is creating a prayer shawl for our future priest. We will knit four -inch squares in the colors of the Episcopal flag and welcome all skill levels, with kits and guidance available. If you're new to knitting, join us on Wednesday afternoons from 2-4. We'd love to help!

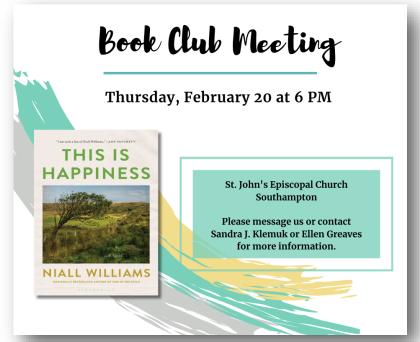
**BULLETINS:** BULLETINS: The weekly Bulletins, uploaded every Saturday, can be found on our website for your convenience.

**WEEKLY E-NEWSLETTER:** In order to keep our church family abreast of our latest updates and church reminders, we send out a weekly e-newsletter. If you would like to be included on our email list, contact Ursula at secretary@stjohnsouthampton.org.

**FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK:** Stay connected with the church and your friends by following us on our Facebook page: StJohnSouthampton. You can also worship online LIVE on Sundays.

**ONLINE GIVING:** Links are available on St John's website or text "StJohnSouthampton" to 73256.







# **Opening Acclamation**

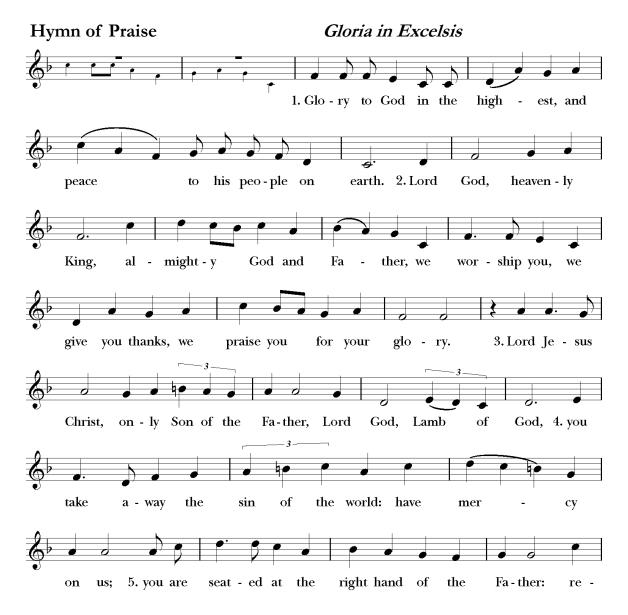
Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

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### **Collect of 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.** 



# 2025 Stewardship Campaign

As we enter this season of reflection and renewal, we invite you to join us in considering the vital role of stewardship in sustaining our church and supporting its mission. This year, as we navigate a time of transition, your commitment is more crucial than ever to maintaining both the physical foundation of our church and the spiritual vibrancy of our congregation. Stewardship at St. John's goes beyond financial giving; it encompasses the time, talent, and service that each of you brings to our shared community. Your generosity supports essential repairs to our facilities, vital outreach programs, and the welcoming atmosphere that makes St. John's a sanctuary for all. We thank you for your continued support and invite you to read the attached letter from our Senior Warden, Lisa Gillespie, as you prayerfully consider your pledge for the coming year.

# If you are able to support St. John's, please go to our 2025 Stewardship Drive webpage.



#### Please contact the following:

- Altar Guild: Ellen Greaves at greavese631@yahoo.com
- **Coffee Hour:** Sign up sheet in the Parish Hall or Ursula at (631) 283-0549 or secretary@stjohnsouthampton.org
- **Reading/Greeting/Ushering:** Please contact Cn. Richard at (631) 974-4987 or rvisconti@stjohnsouthampton.org



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January 16, 2025

#### Dear Friends:

The Altar Guild of St. John's Episcopal Church is planning the schedule of flowers and candles for the altar during the year (Jan. 1 to Dec. 31, 2025). Traditionally, these have been given in memory of loved ones or in thanksgiving for the life of someone still living.

If you wish to participate in this ministry, please fill out the enclosed form(s) and return them to the Parish office. Please make all checks payable to: St. John's Altar Guild.

Please be aware, as has been customary, that <u>NO FLOWERS</u> will be in the Church during the season of Lent, <u>March 5 through April 6,2025</u>. Please do not request flowers during this time. Candles may be requested for the months of March and April.

Palms will be on the altar on Palm Sunday, April 13, 2025. Easter flowers stay on the altar for two weeks (April 20 and April 27, 2025), and Christmas flowers stay on the altar from December 24<sup>th</sup> through January 4, 2026. No further requests are necessary for these dates as St John's Episcopal Church provides specific envelopes found in the pews at St. John's beginning a few weeks prior to both Easter and Christmas.

If possible, the Altar Guild requests that you designate a particular month for your gift of flowers rather than a particular Sunday. This will allow flexibility and assure that memorial flowers are present each week.

Each Sunday's bulletin will note the designation of that morning's flowers, and candles will be acknowledged at the beginning of each month. Following the last service on Sunday you are welcome to pick up the flowers you donated.

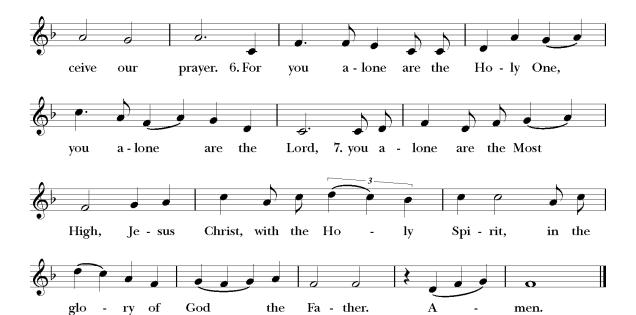
On behalf of St. John's Episcopal Church and your Altar Guild, please accept our grateful thanks for your consideration and kind support.

Please note that the actual cost of flowers is \$75 per week, so please be generous in giving.

Yours truly,

Ellen Greaves

St. John's Altar Guild



#### The Collect

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Officiant Let us pray.

Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins, and give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

# The Liturgy of the Word

All are Seated

#### First Reading

Isaiah 6:1-13

A Reading from the book of Isaiah.

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with

two they flew. And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory."

The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!"

Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!" And he said, "Go and say to this people:

'Keep listening, but do not comprehend; keep looking, but do not understand.' Make the mind of this people dull, and stop their ears, and shut their eyes, so that they may not look with their eyes, and listen with their ears, and comprehend with their minds, and turn and be healed."

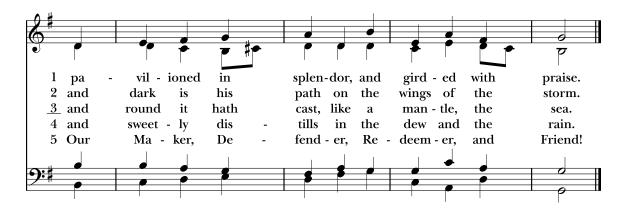
Then I said, "How long, O Lord?" And he said:

"Until cities lie waste without inhabitant, and houses without people, and the land is utterly desolate; until the Lord sends everyone far away, and vast is the emptiness in the midst of the land. Even if a tenth part remain in it, it will be burned again, like a terebinth or an oak whose stump remains standing when it is felled."

The holy seed is its stump.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.



#### The Dismissal

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

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Nominees for Vestry for another three-year term:

Jeanne Ferrer, Lisa Gillespie, Pat Griffith

Nominees to complete unexpired terms:

Håkan Wohlin and Kathleen Doherty Nominee for Warden two-year term:

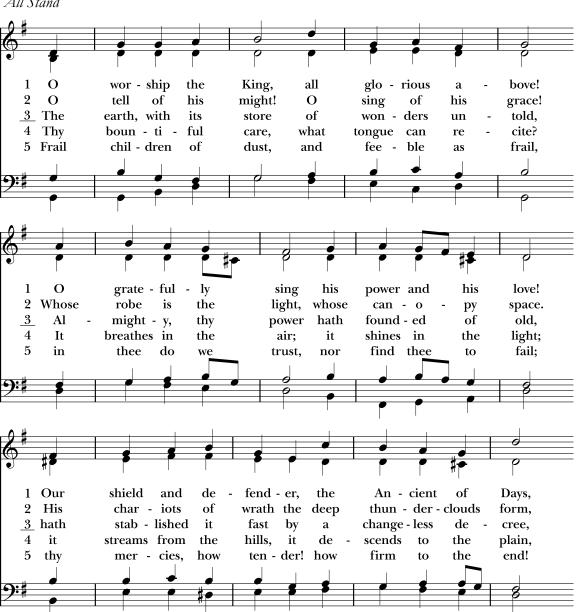
Lisa Vahradian



#### Closing Hymn 388

# O Worship the King

All Stand



#### Psalm 138

#### Confitebor tibi

- 1 I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my whole heart; \* before the gods I will sing your praise.
- 2 I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your Name, \* because of your love and faithfulness;
- 3 For you have glorified your Name \* and your word above all things.
- 4 When I called, you answered me; \* you increased my strength within me.
- 5 All the kings of the earth will praise you, O Lord, \* when they have heard the words of your mouth.
- 6 They will sing of the ways of the Lord, \* that great is the glory of the Lord.
- 7 Though the Lord be high, he cares for the lowly; \* he perceives the haughty from afar.
- 8 Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; \* you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand shall save me.
- 9 The Lord will make good his purpose for me; \* O Lord, your love endures for ever; do not abandon the works of your hands.

#### **Second Reading**

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

A Reading from the First Letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians.

I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you--unless you have come to believe in vain.

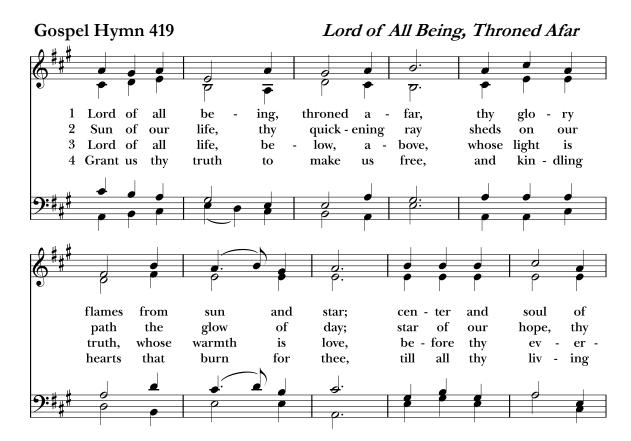
For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was

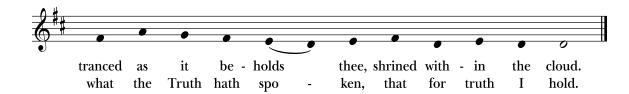
raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them--though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

The Word of the Lord

People Thanks be to God

All Stand





#### Postcommunion Prayer

Celebrant
Let us pray.

Officiant and People

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 grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

People Stand or Kneel

# **Epiphany Season Blessing**

May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.

Amen.

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Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.

#### The Invitation to Communion (BCP 364)

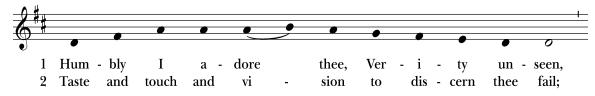
All Baptized Christians are welcome to receive the consecrated bread and/or wine. All are welcome to come up to receive a blessing.

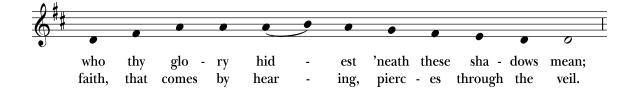
The Priest invites the people to Communion

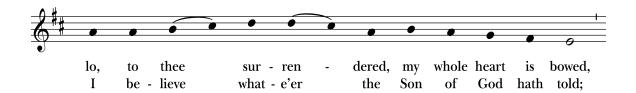
#### Priest

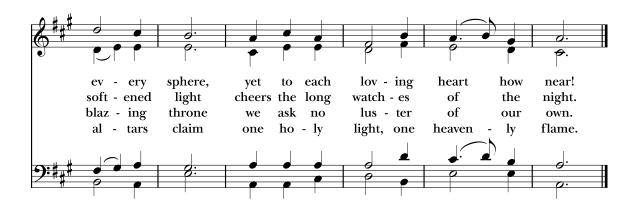
The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

#### Postcommunion Hymn 314 Humbly I Adore Thee Verity Unseen









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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

# The Gospel

Luke 5:1-11

Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch." Simon answered, "Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets." When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!" For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people." When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

Officiant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

All are seated

Sermon

The Rev. Cn. Richard Visconti

#### All Stand

# 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 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.

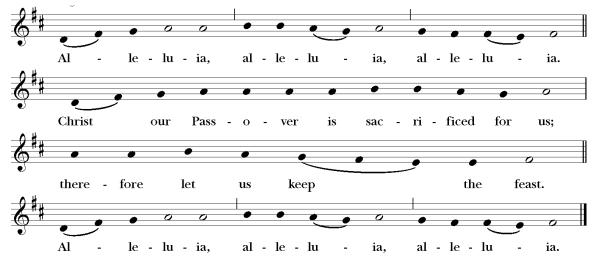
And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

#### People and Celebrant

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

Celebrant and People



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The people stand or kneel.

Then the Celebrant continues

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;

The Celebrant continues

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 Saint John 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. **AMEN**.

# The Prayers of the People - Form III

The Leader and People pray responsively

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church; That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you; That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world; That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake; That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble; That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest.

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy; May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

#### **Intercessions**

Silence

The People may add their own petitions.

Celebrant adds a concluding collect.

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

All Kneel

Minister and 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.** 

#### The Peace

All Stand

Officiant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.

All are Seated

#### **Announcements**

# **Offertory Sentence**

Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good your vows to the Most High. *Psalm 50:14* 

#### Offertory Instrumental

All Stand for Doxology

# 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.

# The Liturgy of the Table

#### The Great Thanksgiving - Eucharistic Prayer B

Officiant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Officiant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Officiant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

#### The Celebrant proceeds

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

Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

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:

#### Celebrant and People

