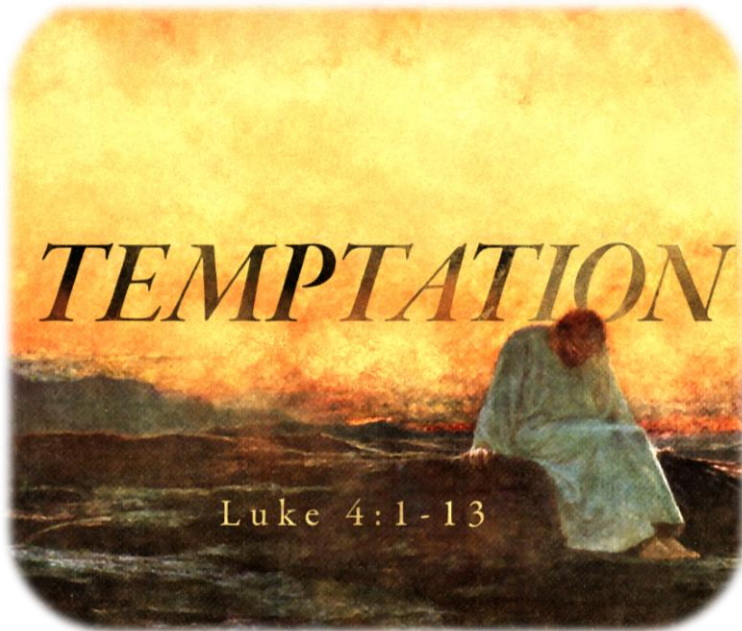


Holy Trinity Episcopal Church
First Sunday in Lent



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9:30am Mass

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Welcome to Holy Trinity!

We are glad you are worshiping with us. Relax and be comfortable. We are blessed to have you with us today. If you have questions, see below, or feel free to ask our usher, or Fr. Jerry. We welcome your inquiries.

- **I am an Episcopalian, but I notice some additional prayers included in the normal order of worship.** Holy Trinity believes in faith beyond our borders. We include a few prayers that are included in the worship services from Zimbabwe and Kenya. It reminds us of our unified mission to spread the Good News to everyone, everywhere.
- **I am not Episcopalian. May I receive Holy Communion?** You are welcome to receive the Holy Communion. If you are physically unable to come forward, the Sacrament will be brought to you. If you do not wish to receive the Sacrament, but would like to receive a blessing, come forward and cross your arms across your chest. We'll know what to do.
- **Can I choose to receive Holy Communion without partaking in both kinds (Body and Blood)?** Yes, we believe that receiving either the Body or Blood alone grants the recipient the fullness of the Sacrament.
- **How do I know whether to sit, stand, or kneel?** This Order of Worship provides guidance throughout the service. However, if you have a different posture of reverence, or are unable to assume the posture, you are welcome to sit, kneel, or stand, whichever is most comfortable and reverent for you.
- **Can I bring my children into church?** YES! By all means, please do! They are members of the Body of Christ, only smaller. We have toys and toys available in the back of the church. They can play in the aisle, or in the pew with you.

Pastoral Emergency:

If you have a pastoral emergency, please contact Fr. Jerry at 262.339.7956. If you feel that your issue is urgent, then it is! Call!

The Preparation Rites

Please stand as able

Opening Hymn

ASHES

Tom Conry



1. We rise a-gain from ash - es, from the good we've failed to
2. We of - fer you our fail - ures, we of - fer you at -
3. Then raise us up from ash - es, your heal - ing ease our
4. Give thanks to God the Fa - ther, who gave us life and



1. do. We rise a - gain from ash-es, re-deemed, O Lord, by
2. tempts, the gifts not ful - ly giv-en, the dreams not ful - ly
3. pain. Though spring has turned to win-ter, and sun - shine turned to
4. breath. Give thanks to Christ our Sav-ior, who saved us by his



1. you. Our pen - ance, Lord, our sor-row, our griev-ing hearts re -
2. dreamt. Our stum - blings, give di - rec - tion, our vi - sions wid - er
3. rain, your rain will nur - ture grow-ing and cre-ate our world a -
4. death, who, with the Ho - ly Spir - it, cre - ates the world a -



1. new, an of - fer-ing of ash-es, an of - fer-ing to you.
2. view, an of - fer-ing of ash-es, an of - fer-ing to you.
3. new— an of - fer-ing of ash-es, an of - fer-ing to you.
4. new from an of - fer-ing of ash-es, an of - fer-ing to you.

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Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Blessed the Lord who forgives all our sins.

All **His mercy endures for ever.**

Celebrant The earth is the Lord's, and all that is in it.

All **Let the heavens rejoice and the earth be glad.**

Celebrant The Spirit is here.

All **The promise of God.**

Celebrant 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.

All **Amen.**

Celebrant Lord have mercy.

All **Christ have mercy.**

Celebrant Lord have mercy.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

The Celebrant continues

Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations; and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

The Service of the Word

First Lesson

Genesis 2:15-17;3:1-7

A Reading from Genesis.

The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. And the Lord God commanded the man, “You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die.”

Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, “Did God say, ‘You shall not eat from any tree in the garden’?” The woman said to the serpent, “We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; but God said, ‘You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.’” But the serpent said to the woman, “You will not die; for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.” So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm

Psalm 32

Reader reads verse up to “”, all read remaining lines in the verse.*

- 1 Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, *
and whose sin is put away!
- 2 Happy are they to whom the Lord imputes no guilt, *
and in whose spirit there is no guile!
- 3 While I held my tongue, my bones withered away, *
because of my groaning all day long.
- 4 For your hand was heavy upon me day and night; *
my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.
- 5 Then I acknowledged my sin to you, *
and did not conceal my guilt.
- 6 I said, " I will confess my transgressions to the Lord." *
Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.
- 7 Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of
trouble; *
when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.
- 8 You are my hiding-place;
you preserve me from trouble; *
you surround me with shouts of deliverance.
- 9 "I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go; *
I will guide you with my eye.
- 10 Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding; *
**who must be fitted with bit and bridle,
or else they will not stay near you."**
- 11 Great are the tribulations of the wicked; *
but mercy embraces those who trust in the Lord.⁴

12 Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the Lord; *
shout for joy, all who are true of heart.

Second Lesson

Romans 5:12-19

A Reading from the St. Paul's Letter to the Romans.

As sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned-- sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. Yet death exercised dominion from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam, who is a type of the one who was to come.

But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through the one man's trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the free gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many. And the free gift is not like the effect of the one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brings justification. If, because of the one man's trespass, death exercised dominion through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness exercise dominion in life through the one man, Jesus Christ.

Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so one man's act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all. For just as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

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

Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor; and he said to him, “All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me.” Jesus said to him, “Away with you, Satan! for it is written,

‘Worship the Lord your God,
and serve only him.’”

Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

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

Sermon

Fr. Jerry

The Celebrant will invite all to be seated.

Please stand

Nicene Creed

All **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.**

Prayers of the People

Celebrant: Friends: God commands us through Jesus Christ to love one another. In baptism, we promise to seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving our neighbors as ourselves and to strive for justice and peace, and respect the dignity of every human being. Let us now honor those vows and pray for our nation, for wise and just leaders, and for the needs of others throughout our country and the world.

Reader: We pray for continued blessings on all peacemakers, on leaders who value peace, and on everyone who promotes nonviolent solutions to conflict. We pray for a speedy end to all violence and warfare around the world.

God of peace and gentleness,

All: **Hear our prayer.**

Reader: We pray for the strength of heart and mind to look beyond ourselves and address the needs of our siblings throughout the world; for the rural and urban poor; for the rebuilding of our communities; and for an end to the cycles of violence that threaten our future.

God of generosity and compassion,

All: **Hear our prayer.**

Reader: We pray for all nations, that they may live in unity, peace, and concord; and that all people may know justice and enjoy the perfect freedom that only God can give.

God of liberty and freedom,

All: **Hear our prayer.**

Reader: We pray that the Holy Spirit may embrace the most vulnerable members of our society; we pray also for an end to the growing disparity between the rich and poor; and for the grace and courage to strive for economic justice.

God of all gifts and blessings,

All: **Hear our prayer.**

Reader: We pray for an end to prejudice throughout our country and the world; that we will respect all people as precious children of God; and that racism, sexism, and all other forms of discrimination will be forever banished from our hearts, our society, and our laws.

God of fellowship and equality,

All: **Hear our prayer.**

Reader: We pray for a reverence of creation; that we will have the tools and the will to conserve it; that we will use its bountiful resources in the service of others; and that we will become better stewards of all that has been entrusted to us.

God of nature and the universe,

All: **Hear our prayer.**

Readers: We pray for all immigrants, refugees, and pilgrims from around the world, that they may be welcomed in our midst and be treated with fairness, dignity, and respect.

God of outcasts and wanderers,

All: **Hear our prayer.**

Reader: We pray for the sick, the aged and the infirm; for those with physical or mental disabilities; that all may have access to proper health care; and that God's loving embrace may be felt by all who suffer.

God of comfort and healing,

All: **Hear our prayer.**

Reader: We pray for all prisoners and captives; that a spirit of forgiveness may replace vengeance and retribution; and that we, with all the destitute, lonely, and oppressed, may be restored to the fullness of God's grace.

God of absolution and mercy,

All: **Hear our prayer.**

Reader: We pray for all children and families, and particularly for the orphaned, neglected, abused, and those who live in fear of violence or disease; that they may be relieved and protected.

God of children and families,

All: **Hear our prayer.**

Reader: We pray for the reconciliation of all people, and for the Church throughout the world, that it may be an instrument of your healing love.

God of outreach and restoration,

All: **Hear our prayer.**

Reader: We pray for all who have died as a result of violence, war, disease or famine, especially those who died because of human blindness, neglect, or hardness of heart.

God of eternal life and resurrecting love,

All: **Hear our prayer.**

Reader: *Please add your own prayer of thanksgiving or petition (aloud or silently)*

Celebrant: Almighty God, you have promised to hear what we ask in the name of your Son. Watch over our country and our world, now and in the days ahead, guide our leaders and all who will vote, guide them in all knowledge and truth and make your ways known among all people. In the passion of debate give them a quiet spirit; in the complexities of the issues give them courageous hearts. Accept and fulfill our petitions, we pray, not as we ask in our ignorance, nor as we deserve in our sinfulness, but as you know and love us in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: **Amen.**

Please kneel as able

The Confession of Sin

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All **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.

All **Amen.**

Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All **And also with you.**

All may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Announcements

Be seated during announcements

The Service of the Altar

The Celebrant says

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

Please stand

Offertory Hymn

PSALM 103: LOVING AND FORGIVING

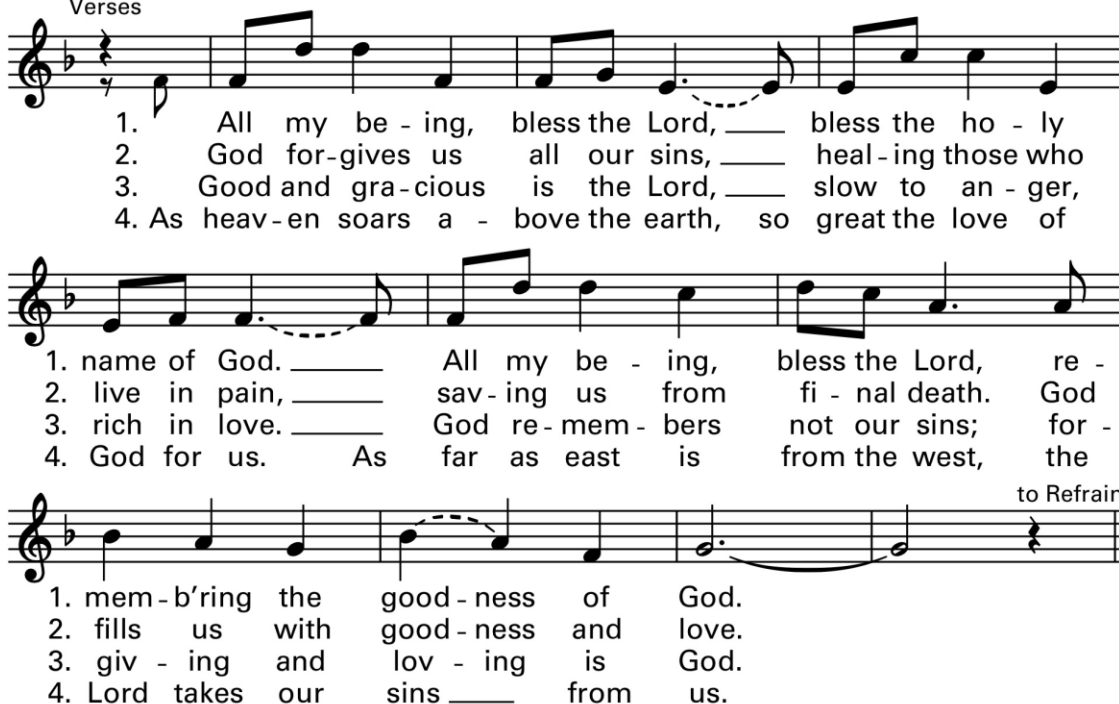
Scott Soper

Refrain



Lov-ing and for - giv - ing are you, O Lord; slow to an - ger,
rich in kind - ness, lov - ing and for - giv - ing are you.

Verses



1. All my be - ing, bless the Lord, — bless the ho - ly
2. God for - gives us all our sins, — heal - ing those who
3. Good and gra - cious is the Lord, — slow to an - ger,
4. As heav - en soars a - bove the earth, so great the love of

1. name of God. — All my be - ing, bless the Lord, re -
2. live in pain, — sav - ing us from fi - nal death. God
3. rich in love. — God re - mem - bers not our sins; for -
4. God for us. As far as east is from the west, the

1. mem - b'ring the good - ness of God.
2. fills us with good - ness and love.
3. giv - ing and lov - ing is God.
4. Lord takes our sins — from us.

Text: Based on Psalm 103:8, 1-2, 3-4, 8-10, 11-12. Text and music © 1992, OCP. All rights reserved.

The offerings of the people may be collected and presented. These words may be used.

All **Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the splendor, and the majesty; for everything in heaven and on earth is yours. All things come from you, and of your own do we give you.**

The Celebrant takes the bread and cup into his hands and replaces them on the holy table

Celebrant Blessed are you Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this bread to offer, which earth has given and human hands have made. It will become for us the bread of life.

All **Blessed be God for ever.**

Celebrant Blessed are you Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine and work of human hands. It will become our spiritual drink.

All **Blessed be God for ever.**

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

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

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

The Canon of the Mass

The Celebrant says

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and forever. 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,

SANCTUS

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and
might. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,
God of pow'r and might. Heav - en and earth are
full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the
high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the
high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Music: *Deutsche Messe*, Franz Schubert, 1797-1828; adapt. by Richard Proulx, © 1985, 1989, GIA Publications, Inc.

All stand or kneel

The Celebrant continues

We acclaim you, holy Lord, 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.

Father, 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, he 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, he 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 him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

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

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ’s death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his 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.

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

The Celebrant continues

Lord, 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 your Son 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.

Remember all your people, and those who seek your truth. Remember all who have died in the peace of Christ, and those whose faith is known to you alone; bring them into the place of eternal joy and light.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

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.

All **AMEN.**

Communion

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

All **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 Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
All **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

Agnus Dei

All



Je - sus, Lamb of God, have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, Bear - er of our sins, have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, Re-deem - er, Re - deem - er of the world,

give us your peace, give us your peace.

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Invitation

The Celebrant says

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you, and his blood which he shed for you. Feed on him in your hearts in faith with thanksgiving.

The Concluding Rites

Post-Communion Prayer

After Communion, the Celebrant will invite all to stand

Celebrant Give thanks to the Lord for he is gracious.

All **His mercy endures for ever.**

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

The Blessing

The Blessing of God Almighty; the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit be upon you and remain with you always.

All **Amen.**

Closing Hymn and Recessional

The candles at the altar will be extinguished. The Celebrant and Acolyte will recess to the back of the church

Lead Me, Guide Me

Refrain




Lead me, guide me, a-long the way, For if you
lead me, I can - not stray. Lord, let me walk each
day with thee. Lead me, oh Lord, lead me.

Verses



1. I am weak and I need thy strength and pow'r to
2. Help me tread in the paths of right - eous-ness, Be my
3. I am lost if you take your hand from me, I am
help me o - ver my weak - est hour. Help me through the
aid when Sa - tan and sin op - press. I am put - ting
blind with - out thy Light to see, Lord, just al - ways



D.C.
dark-ness thy face to see, Lead me, oh Lord, lead me.
all my trust in thee. Lead me, oh Lord, lead me.
let me thy ser - vant be. Lead me, oh Lord, lead me.

Dismissal

The Celebrant dismisses the People

Go forth in peace to love and serve the Lord!

All **Thanks be to God!**