

The First Sunday after Epiphany: The Baptism of our Lord  
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Holy Eucharist, Rite I

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## THE WORD OF GOD

### The Opening Acclamation *(standing)*

BCP 323

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

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

### The Collect for Purity

BCP 323

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### The Gloria

BCP 324

***Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.***

### The Collect of the Day

BCP 163

Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan didst proclaim him thy beloved Son and anoint him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with thee and the same Holy Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

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and kept you; I have given you as a covenant to the people, a light to the nations, to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness. I am the Lord, that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to idols. See, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth, I tell you of them.

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*After the Gospel is read,*

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

**People: Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

### The Sermon

The Reverend Lisa Saunders

### The Renewal of Baptismal Vows

BCP 392

Celebrant: Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

**People: I do.**

Celebrant: Do you believe in God the Father?

**People: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Celebrant: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**People: I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

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Celebrant: May Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, keep us in eternal life by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord. **Amen.**

## The Epiphany Prayers of the People

After each petition, the response is:

Reader: Lord, in your mercy,

**People: Hear our prayer.**

## The Confession *(kneeling)*

BCP 330

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

## The Peace *(standing)*

BCP 332

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

### The Offertory

### Presentation *(spoken)*

Celebrant: All things come of thee, O Lord:

**People: And of thine own have we given thee.**

### The Great Thanksgiving

BCP 340

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**People: And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

**People: It is meet and right so to do.**

*The liturgy continues on BCP 341.*

### The Lord's Prayer

BCP 336

**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

BCP 337

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

**People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

### The Communion

*All are invited to receive the bread and wine of Holy Communion. Gluten-free wafers are available. Please let the Celebrant know if you require such as you approach to receive Holy Communion.*

### The Postcommunion Prayer

BCP 339

**Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and**

**do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.**

**The Blessing**

BCP 339

**The Dismissal**

BCP 339

*The priest says a dismissal.*

**People: Thanks be to God.**

### **The Intercessions**

**The Church** – Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Sam and Anne, our Bishops; Metlha, Bishop of Botswana; Orlando, Bishop of Costa Rica; and in the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Anglican Church of Australia

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Marcel Dupré

**Hymn 135**, Songs of thankfulness and praise

Salzburg

**THE WORD OF GOD**

**The Opening Acclamation** (*standing*)

BCP 299

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

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

Celebrant: There is one Body and one Spirit;

**People:** ***There is one hope in God's call to us;***

Celebrant: One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

**People:** ***One God and Father of all.***

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**People:** ***And also with you.***

Celebrant: Let us pray.

**The Collect of the Day**

BCP 214

Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. ***Amen.***

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Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**People:** ***Thanks be to God.***

**Psalms 29, Afferte Domino**, Ascribe to the Lord, you Gods (*seated*)

Percy Buck, BCP 620

**Silence**

**The Gospel: Matthew 3:13-17**

Priest: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

**People: *Glory to you, Lord Christ.***

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*After the Gospel,*

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

**People: *Praise to you, Lord Christ.***

**The Sermon**

The Reverend Dr. Scott Stoner

**The Presentation and Examination of Candidates**

BCP 301

**The Baptismal Covenant**

BCP 304

Celebrant: Do you believe in God the Father?

**People: *I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.***

Celebrant: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**People: *I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, he was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary, He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.***

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**Prayers for the Candidates**

BCP 305

**Thanksgiving over the Water**

BCP 306

**The Baptisms**

BCP 307

*When all have been baptized, the Celebrant says:*

Celebrant: Let us welcome the newly baptized.

**People: *We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.***

**The Peace (standing)**

BCP 360

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

**Offertory**, The Baptism of Jesus

Peter Hallock

*Jesus autem hodie regressus est a Jordane. [Jesus again today returned to the Jordan]*  
When Jesus Christ baptised was, the Holy Ghost descended with grace;  
the Father's voice was heard in the place:  
*"Hic est Filius meus; ipsum intende!" [This is my Son, listen to him]*  
There were three Persons and one Lord, the Son baptised with one accord,  
the Father said this blessed word: *"Hic est Filius meus; ipsum intende!"*  
Now, Jesus, as thou art both God and man, and were baptised in from Jordan,  
at our last end, we pray thee, say then: *"Hic est Filius meus; ipsum intende!"*

**Presentation Hymn 448 (stanzas 2 and 6)**, For us baptized

*Deus tuorum militum*

***For us baptized, for us he bore his holy fast and hungered sore;  
for us temptations sharp he know; for us the tempter overthrew.***

***All glory to our Lord and God for love to deep, so high, so broad;  
the Trinity whom we adore for ever and for evermore.***

**The Great Thanksgiving** (*kneeling or standing*)

BCP 367

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 our thanks and praise.**

*The liturgy continues on BCP 367.*

**Sanctus, Hymnal S-130**, Holy, holy, holy Lord

Franz Schubert

**The Memorial Acclamation**

BCP 368

Celebrant: Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

**People: We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory.**

**The Lord's Prayer**

BCP 364

**The Breaking of the Bread**

BCP 364

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

**People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

**The Communion**

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**Communion Hymn 121**, Christ, when for us you were baptized

Caithness

**Communion Motet**, The Birds

Richard Shephard

When Jesus Christ was four years old,  
The angels brought Him toys of gold,  
Which no man ever had bought or sold.

And yet with these He would not play.  
He made Him small fowl out of clay,  
And blessed them till they flew away.

*Tu creasti, Domine. [Thou hast created them, O Lord]*

Jesus Christ, Thou child so wise,  
Bless mine hands and fill mine eyes,  
And bring my soul to Paradise.

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

**The Blessing**

**Hymn 120**, The sinless one to Jordan came

*Solemnis haec festivitas*

**The Dismissal**

BCP 366

*The priest says a dismissal.*

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude, In dir est Freude**

J. S. Bach

**Baptisms**

Weldon Philip Adkins, son of Meredith and Philip Adkins  
John William Lucius Anderson, son of McGowin and Case Anderson  
Cole Lanier Dillashaw, son of Mandy and Brendan Dillashaw  
Lucy Bowman Fain, daughter of Courtney and John Fain  
William James Price VII, son of Emily and Jamey Price

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**Hymn 135**, Songs of thankfulness and praise Salzburg

**THE WORD OF GOD**

**The Opening Sentences** BCP 40

**The Confession of Sin and Absolution** BCP 41

Officiant: Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.  
*(silence may be kept)*

*Officiant and People together, all kneeling*

**People:** ***Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep, we have followed too closely the devices and desires of our own hearts, we have offended against thy holy laws, we have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done.***

***But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, spare thou those who confess their faults, restore thou those who are penitent, according to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord; and grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of thy Holy Name. Amen.***

Officiant: The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution and remission of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

**The Invitatory and Psalter** *(standing)* BCP 42

Officiant: O Lord, open thou our lips.

**People:** ***And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.***

***Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.***

**Venite, Hymnal S-4**, O come, let us sing unto the Lord *(The S- numbers are found in the front of the Hymnal)* Edwin George Monk

**The First Reading: Isaiah 42:1-9**

Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations. He will not cry or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street; a bruised reed he will not break, and a dimly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice. He will not grow faint or be crushed until he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his teaching. Thus says God, the Lord, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people upon it and spirit to those who walk in it: I am the Lord, I have called you in righteousness, I have taken you by the hand and kept you; I have given you as a covenant to the people, a light to the nations, to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness. I am the Lord, that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to idols. See, the

former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth, I tell you of them.

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**Canticle, Hymnal S-223, Surge illuminare, The Third Song of Isaiah (seated)**

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**Hymn 121, Christ, when for us you were baptized**

*Caithness*

**The Sermon**

The Reverend Dr. Scott Stoner

**The Apostles' Creed (standing)**

BCP 53

***I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.***

***And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty. From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.***

***I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.***

**The Prayers (kneeling)**

BCP 54

Officiant: The Lord be with you.

**People: And with thy spirit.**

Officiant: Let us pray.

**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.**

**The Suffrages (kneeling)**

BCP 55

Officiant: O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;

**People: And grant us thy salvation.**

Officiant: Endue thy ministers with righteousness;

**People: And make thy chosen people joyful.**

Officiant: Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;

**People: For only in thee can we live in safety.**

Officiant: Lord, keep this nation under thy care;

**People: And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**

Officiant: Let thy way be known upon earth;

**People: Thy saving health among all nations.**

Officiant: Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;

**People: Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**

Officiant: Create in us clean hearts, O God;

**People: And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.**

**The Collect of the Day** (*kneeling*)

BCP 214

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**The Collects**

BCP 56

**Meditation, The Birds** (*seated*)

Richard Shephard

When Jesus Christ was four years old,  
The angels brought Him toys of gold,  
Which no man ever had bought or sold.

And yet with these He would not play.  
He made Him small fowl out of clay,  
And blessed them till they flew away.

*Tu creasti, Domine. [Thou hast created them, O Lord]*  
Jesus Christ, Thou child so wise,  
Bless mine hands and fill mine eyes,  
And bring my soul to Paradise.

**Intercessions and The General Thanksgiving** (*kneeling*)

BCP 58

***Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we thine unworthy servants do give thee most humble and hearty thanks for all thy goodness and lovingkindness to us and to all men. We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies, that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful; and that we show forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to thy service, and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.***

**The Grace**

BCP 59

Officiant: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore.  
**Amen.**

**Announcements**

**Offertory Anthem, The Baptism of Jesus**

Peter Hallock

*Jesus autem hodie regressus est a Jordane. [Jesus again today returned to the Jordan]*

When Jesus Christ baptised was, the Holy Ghost descended with grace;  
the Father's voice was heard in the place:

*"Hic est Filius meus; ipsum intende!" [This is my Son, listen to him]*

There were three Persons and one Lord, the Son baptised with one accord,  
the Father said this blessed word: *"Hic est Filius meus; ipsum intende!"*

Now, Jesus, as thou art both God and man, and were baptised in from Jordan,  
at our last end, we pray thee, say then: *"Hic est Filius meus; ipsum intende!"*

**Presentation Hymn 448 (stanzas 2 and 6), For us baptized**

*Deus tuorum militum*

***For us baptized, for us he bore his holy fast and hungered sore;  
for us temptations sharp he know; for us the tempter overthrew.***

***All glory to our Lord and God for love to deep, so high, so broad;  
the Trinity whom we adore for ever and for evermore.***

**The Prayer and Blessing**

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**Music for Meditation** (*seated*)

**TFWS 2132**, You who are thirsty  
**TFWS 2203**, In his time

*All Who Humbly Seek  
God's Time*

**THE WORD OF GOD**

**The Opening Acclamation** (*standing*)

BCP 355

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

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

**The Collect for Purity**

BCP 355

***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.***

**Hymn 135**, Songs of thankfulness and praise

*Salzburg*

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BCP 214

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**The First Reading: Isaiah 42:1-9**

Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations. He will not cry or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street; a bruised reed he will not break, and a dimly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice. He will not grow faint or be crushed until he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his teaching. Thus says God, the Lord, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people upon it and spirit to those who walk in it: I am the Lord, I have called you in righteousness, I have taken you by the hand and kept you; I have given you as a covenant to the people, a light to the nations, to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness. I am the Lord, that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to idols. See, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth, I tell you of them.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**People:** ***Thanks be to God.***

**Hymn 121**, Christ, when for us you were baptized

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## The Gospel: Matthew 3:13-17

Priest: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

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*After the Gospel,*

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

**People: *Praise to you, Lord Christ.***

## The Sermon

The Reverend Joshua Case

## The Renewal of Baptismal Vows

BCP 392

Celebrant: Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

**People: *I do.***

Celebrant: Do you believe in God the Father?

**People: *I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.***

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Celebrant: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**People: *I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.***

Celebrant: Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

**People: *I will, with God's help.***

Celebrant: Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

**People: *I will, with God's help.***

Celebrant: Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

**People: *I will, with God's help.***

Celebrant: Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

**People: *I will, with God's help.***

Celebrant: Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

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Celebrant: May Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, keep us in eternal life by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord. **Amen.**

## The Epiphany Prayers of the People

*After each intercession,*

Reader: Lord, in your mercy,

**People: *Hear our prayer.***

## The Peace *(standing)*

BCP 360

## Announcements, Birthdays, and Anniversaries

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Hymn TFWS 2247, Wonder of wonders

*Pentecost*

Presentation Hymn 43, Doxology

*The Eighth Tune*

***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 Great Thanksgiving** (*kneeling or standing*)

BCP 367

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 our thanks and praise.**

**Sanctus S-130**, Holy, holy, holy Lord

Franz Schubert

**The Memorial Acclamation**

BCP 368

Celebrant: Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

**People: We remember his death,  
we proclaim his resurrection,  
we await his coming in glory.**

**The Lord's Prayer** (*sung*)

Tom Belt

***Our Father in heaven, holy is your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, and the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.***

**The Breaking of the Bread**

BCP 364

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

**People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

**The Communion**

*All are invited to receive the bread and wine of Holy Communion. Gluten-free wafers are available at the altar rail or in the Chapel. Please let the Celebrant know if you require such as you approach to receive Holy Communion.*

**Hymn TFWS 2243**, We all are one in mission

Kuortane

**Hymn TFWS 2224**, Make us one

Make Us One

**The Postcommunion Prayer** (*kneeling or standing*)

BCP 366

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

**The Blessing**

**Hymn 529**, In Christ there is no East or West

McKee

**The Dismissal**

BCP 366

*The priest says a dismissal.*

**People: Thanks be to God.**

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