



St. Martin's Episcopal Church + Bridgewater, NJ
Sunday September 18, 2022

Sung Mass: Rite 2 Feast of the Holy Cross

Prelude *Please take this time to offer silent prayer and prepare yourself for worship.
Please stand to sing as the hymn begins.*

1. I be - lieve in God al - might - y, Au - thor of all
2. I be - lieve that Je - sus suf - fered, scourged and scorned and
3. I be - lieve in God's own Spir - it, bond - ing all the

things that be, Mak - er of the earth and heav - ens,
cru - ci - fied; tak - en from the cross, was bur - ied—
saints with - in one church, cath - o - lic and ho - ly,

Keep - er of the sky and sea. I be - lieve in
True Life there had tru - ly died. I be - lieve that
where for - give - ness frees from sin; in the bod - y's

God's son, Je - sus, now for us both Lord and Christ, of the Spir - it
 on the third day Christ was raised up from the grave, then as - cend - ed
 res - ur - rec - tion, for the break - ing of death's chain gives the life that's

and of Mar - y born to bring a - bun - dant life.
 to God's right hand. He will come to judge and save.
 ev - er - last - ing. This the faith that I have claimed.

Blessed be God, + Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

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.

Voice 1
 Glo - ri - a. (clap) Glo - ri - a (clap)

Voice 2
 Glo - ri - a. Glo - ri - a

in ex - cel - sis De - o. Glo - ri - a. (clap) Glo - ri - a (clap)

in ex - cel - sis De - o. Glo - ri - a. Glo - ri - a

in ex - cel - sis De - o.

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Collect Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ was lifted high upon the cross that he might draw the whole world to himself: Mercifully grant that we, who glory in the mystery of our redemption, may have grace to take up our cross and follow him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.*

A Reading from Isaiah

Please be seated.

Declare and present your case; let them take counsel together! Who told this long ago? Who declared it of old? Was it not I, the Lord? There is no other god besides me, a righteous God and a Savior; there is no one besides me. Turn to me and be saved, all the ends of the earth! For I am God, and there is no other. By myself I have sworn, from my mouth has gone forth in righteousness a word that shall not return: "To me every knee shall bow, every tongue shall swear." Only in the Lord, it shall be said of me, are righteousness and strength; all who were incensed against him shall come to him and be ashamed. In the Lord all the offspring of Israel shall triumph and glory.

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

Psalm 98 Cantate Domino

Please remain seated.

The cantor sings the antiphon, and then the people repeat it:

Antiphon: All the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

Sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things.

With his right hand and his holy arm has he won for himself the victory. (Ant.)

The Lord has made known his victory;

his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.

He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel,
and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God. (Ant.)

Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands; lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.

Sing to the Lord with the harp, with the harp and the voice of song. (Ant.)

A Reading from Galatians

May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; but a new creation is everything! As for those who will follow this rule-- peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God. From now on, let no one make trouble for me; for I carry the marks of Jesus branded on my body. May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brothers and sisters. Amen.

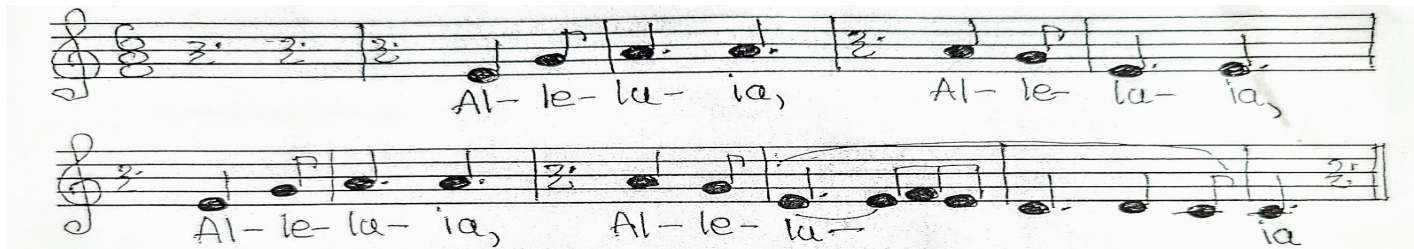
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Gospel Acclamation

Please stand

Kathy Shanklin

The cantor sings the Alleluia. The congregation sings with the cantor the second time.



Verse: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you; For by your holy cross, you have redeemed the world *Alleluia is repeated*

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

Jesus said, "Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die. The crowd answered him, "We have heard from the law that the Messiah remains forever. How can you say that the Son of Man must be lifted up? Who is this Son of Man?" Jesus said to them, "The light is with you for a little longer. Walk while you have the light, so that the darkness may not overtake you. If you walk in the darkness, you do not know where you are going. While you have the light, believe in the light, so that you may become children of light."

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

The Homily

The Nicene Creed

Please stand

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.

The Prayers of the People

Remain standing, or kneel

For God's people throughout the world; for our Bishop; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people. Lord in your mercy. *Hear our prayer.*

For peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. Lord in your mercy. *Hear our prayer.*

For the sick, especially Vincent, Katelyn, Ian, Mary, Pat, Karen, Raymond, Audrey, Bill, Evelyn, Doug, Zhenya, Ahnya, Linda, Chris, Rachel, Mary, Carol, and Bonnie's grandson. For the poor, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. Lord in your mercy. *Hear our prayer.*

For those who have died in the peace of Christ, and those whose faith is known to God alone. Lord in your mercy. *Hear our prayer.*

For students and teachers as they begin a new school year, that they may be blessed with patience and wisdom. Lord in your mercy. *Hear our prayer.*

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored. Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

Celebrant: Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Savior. *Amen.*

The Confession of Sin and Absolution

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Please kneel

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.

Priest: 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 The peace of Christ be always with you. *And also with you.*

The people of God share a sign of peace with one another.

Please be seated

Welcome and Announcements

The Liturgy of the Altar

The Offertory Hymn

Please stand to sing

1. Je - sus, keep me near the cross, There's a pre - cious foun - tain;
 2. Near the cross, a trem - bling soul, Love and mer - cy found me;
 3. Near the cross! O Lamb of God, Bring its scenes be - fore me;
 4. Near the cross, I'll watch and wait, Hop - ing, trust - ing ev - er,

1. Free to all, a heal - ing stream Flows from Cal - v'ry's moun - tain.
 2. There the Bright and Morn - ing Star Sheds its beams a - round me.
 3. Help me walk from day to day With its shad - ows o'er me.
 4. Till I reach the gold - en strand Just be - yond the riv - er.

In the cross, in the cross Be my glo - ry ev - er;

Till my rap - tured soul shall find Rest be - yond the riv - er.

Priest: God our sustainer, receive the gifts we bring before you, and feed us continually with that bread which satisfies all hunger, your Son our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

Celebrant
The Lord be with you. People
And al - so with you.

Musical notation: Two staves in F major, 4/4 time. The first staff has a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). It contains the melody for the Celebrant's part. The second staff has a bass clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). It contains the melody for the People's part. The lyrics are: "The Lord be with you. And also with you."

Celebrant People
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

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Celebrant
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Musical notation: One staff in F major, 4/4 time. It has a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). It contains the melody for the Celebrant's part. The lyrics are: "Let us give thanks to the Lord our God."

People
It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Musical notation: One staff in F major, 4/4 time. It has a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). It contains the melody for the People's part. The lyrics are: "It is right to give him thanks and praise."

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, through Jesus Christ our Redeemer. For our sins he was lifted high upon the cross, that he might draw the whole world to himself; and, by his suffering and death, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who put their trust in him. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

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

Musical notation: Five staves in F major, 3/4 time. The key signature has one sharp (F#). The lyrics are: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, _____ hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na _____ in the high - est. Blessed is the one Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. _____ Ho - san - na _____ in the high - est."

Please continue standing or kneel as you are able.

Holy and gracious Creator: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Redeemer of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

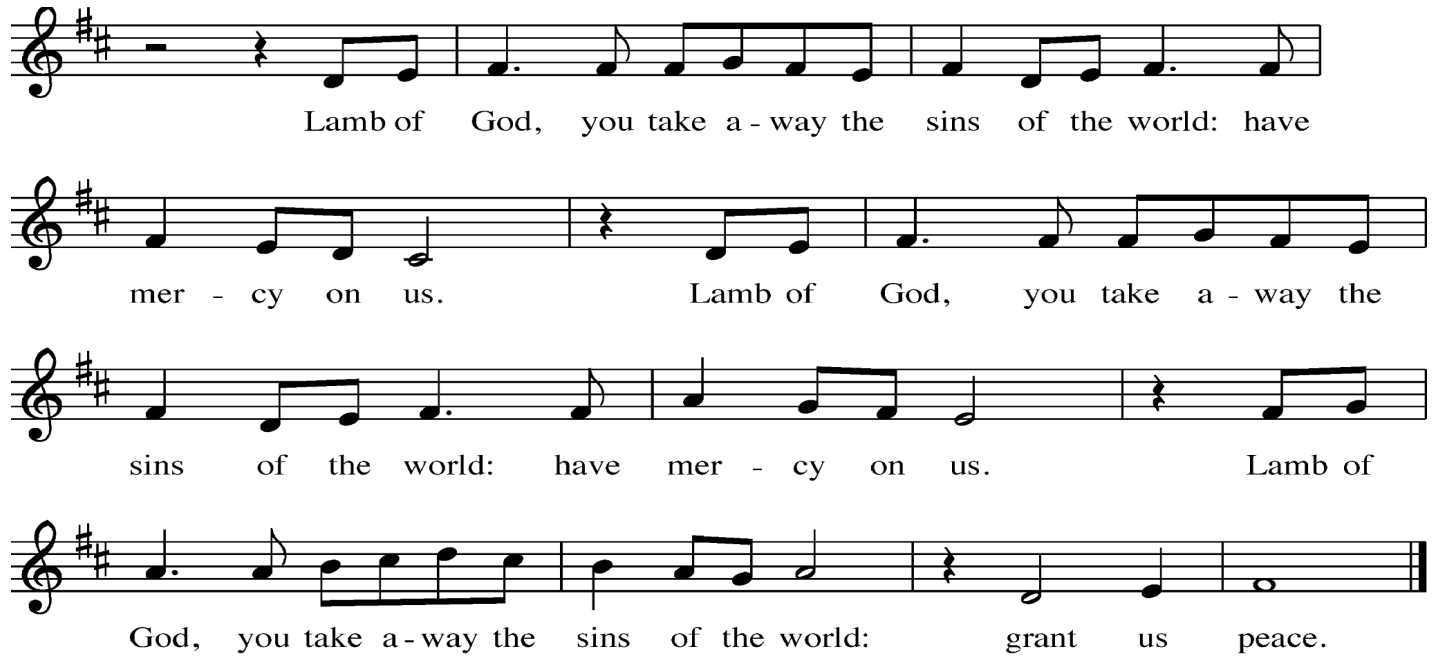
Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ's death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with the Ever-Blessed Virgin Mary, St. Martin of Tours, and all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. AMEN.

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

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Fraction and Fraction Anthem *Lamb of God*



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: have
mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of
God, you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

The Invitation to Holy Communion

Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world.

Happy are they who are called to his Supper.

The people may silently pray:

Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only speak the word, and my soul shall be healed.

Communion Hymn

Morning glory, sunlit sky

Hymnal 1982, 585

I want to walk as a child of the light

Hymnal 1982, 490

Post-Communion Prayer

All: 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 forever. Amen.

All students and teachers are invited to come forward with their backpacks or briefcases and stand in front of the altar rail.

Blessing of Students and Teachers

God of all wisdom and knowledge, pour out your blessing on the schools represented here today, that they may be lively centers for sound learning and new discovery; and grant that those who learn may find you to be the source of all truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Loving God, this water has been blessed by the power of your Holy Spirit, as a reminder of our baptism; as this water is sprinkled on these students and teachers, and on their backpacks, may they be strengthened in memory, reason, and skill. And grant that it may remind them of your love and presence throughout the day as they learn. Amen.

The congregation joins and prays: *May Jesus, who calls us each by name to follow him, give you the courage and confidence to be his disciples wherever you may be, at school, at work, and at home. May the gifts God has given you be a source of blessing for you and for others. Amen.*

Please stand or kneel

Blessing and Dismissal

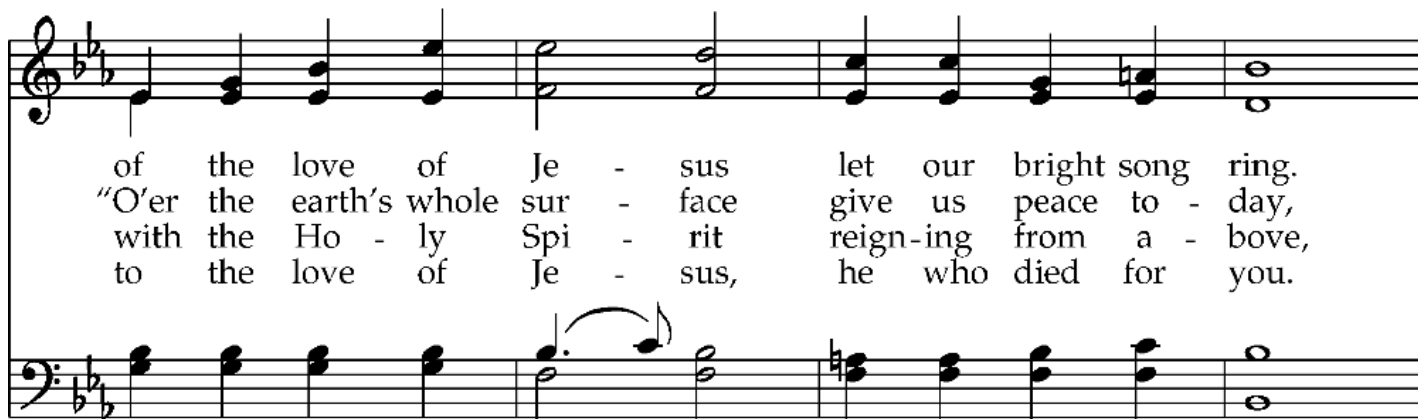
Closing Hymn

Please stand

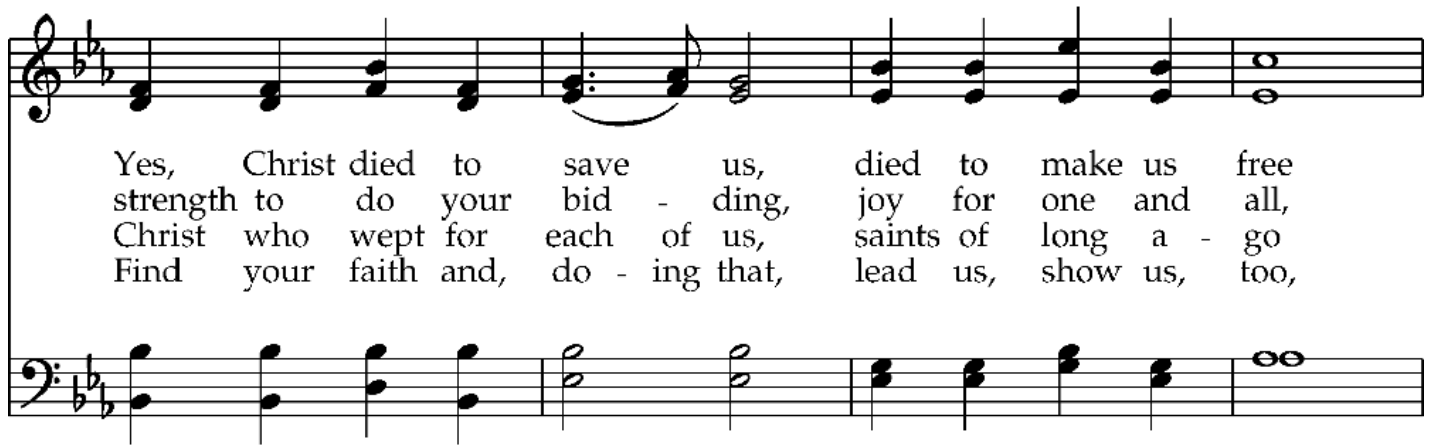
Join us Christian children, vv 1, 4



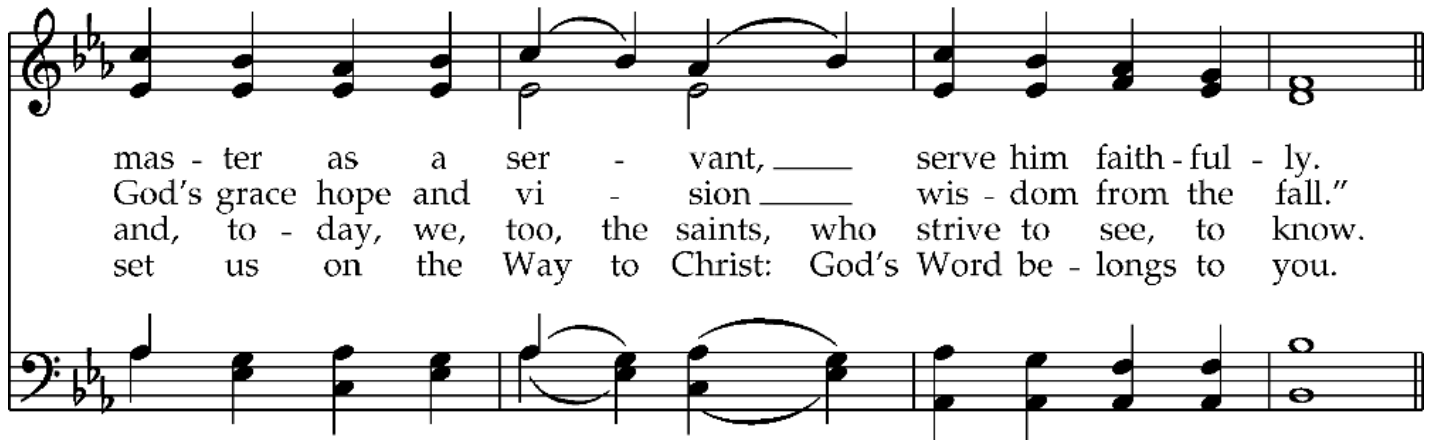
1 Join us, Chris-tian chil - dren help us as we sing
2 Help us, Chris-tian chil - dren lis - ten while we pray
3 Fol - low, Chris-tian chil - dren on our path of love
4 Teach us, Chris-tian chil - dren; seek the Way; be true



of the love of Je - sus let our bright song ring.
"O'er the earth's whole sur - face give us peace to - day,
with the Ho - ly Spi - rit reign-ing from a - bove,
to the love of Je - sus, he who died for you.




Yes, Christ died to save us, died to make us free
 strength to do your bid - ding, joy for one and all,
 Christ who wept for each of us, saints of long a - go
 Find your faith and, do - ing that, lead us, show us, too,

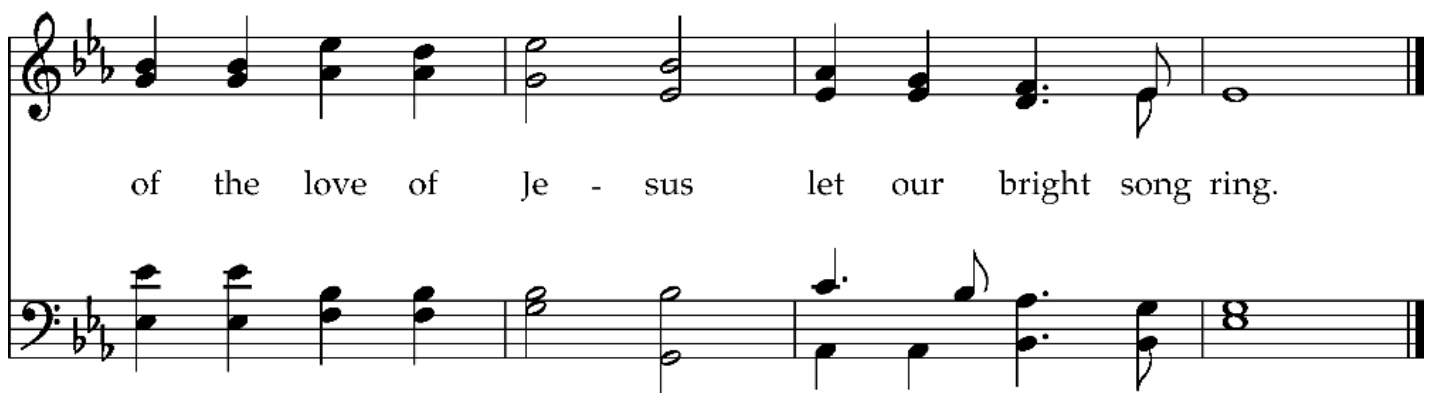


mas - ter as a ser - vant, ——— serve him faith - ful - ly.
 God's grace hope and vi - sion ——— wis - dom from the fall."
 and, to - day, we, too, the saints, who strive to see, to know.
 set us on the Way to Christ: God's Word be - longs to you.

Refrain



Join us, Chris-tian chil - dren help us as we sing



of the love of Je - sus let our bright song ring.

Serving Today

Ushers: Todd Hendrickson, Carl Picazio

Thurifer: Fausto Beleno Boat Bearer: Andrew Slye Crucifer: Claire Francis

Reader: Omar Francis Eucharistic Ministers: Kathy Picazio

Choir: Beth Hixenbaugh, Alison Jandek, Jane Maloney, Rob Vernon

Organist: Kathy Shanklin Celebrant: Fr Andrew Calandriello+

We are honored to have you worshiping with us this morning. If this is your first time with us, please do introduce yourself to the priest after Mass. We would love to get to know you better.

Fall Mass Schedule begins this weekend

Saturday Vigil Mass- 5:30 pm

Sunday Low Mass (No incense) 8:15 am, Sunday High Mass (Sung, with incense) 10:30 am

Kick off Sunday is TODAY Please plan to stay after Mass for a time of fun and fellowship at our “Back to Church Sunday Picnic.”

UPCOMING EVENTS

St. Martin's/St. John's Joint Youth Group.

Sunday, Sept. 18 at 5:30 pm, at St. John's, Somerville.

Youth Confirmation Retreat- Friday Sept. 23 7-8:30 pm (Pizza provided)

Saturday Sept. 24 10 am - Noon Gather in the Undercroft

Grace For All- A prayer and support group for LGBTQ+ Christians:

Tuesday, 9/20 at 7 pm in the Lady Chapel

Story Cafe- A time of coffee/tea and sweets with a focused sharing of reflections on fiction and non-fiction stories meant to strengthen our faith and nurture our relationships with one another. On **Wednesday, September 21**, we will be reading: *Parker's Back*, by Flannery O'Connor. We will meet in the Conference Room.

Spirit Lab- Wednesday, September 28 at 7 pm. Prayer in a labyrinth. We will gather in the Conference Room for a short period of instruction before moving to the labyrinth for prayer.

Canticles of Life- Sunday, October 2, at 4 pm, an AIDS benefit concert.

Refreshments to follow in the undercroft.

Rosary Group- Wednesday, October 5, 7 pm (following the Mass), in the Lady Chapel

Blessing of the Animals for St. Francis Day- Sunday, October 9, at 4 pm