# Annual Meeting Sung Mass + 10:30 am

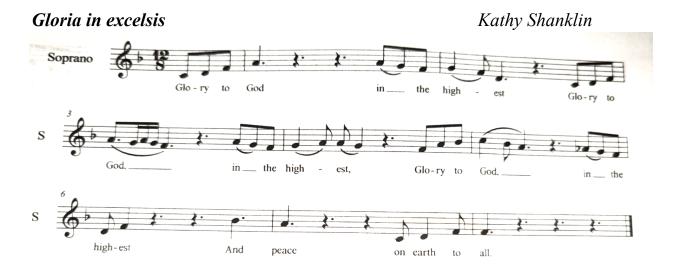
## St. Martin's Episcopal Church Bridgewater, NJ

Please stand

**Hymn:** Thy Strong Word Did Cleave the Darkness

Hymnal 1982, 381

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



The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Give us grace, O Lord, to answer readily the call of our Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the Good News of his salvation, that we and the whole world may perceive the glory of his marvelous works; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

## A Reading from the Prophet 1 Corinthians (Please be seated)

Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. What I mean is that each of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond

that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power. For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. The Word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God* 

#### Psalm 27

The cantor sings the antiphon and then the people repeat it

### Ant: The Lord is my light and my salvation

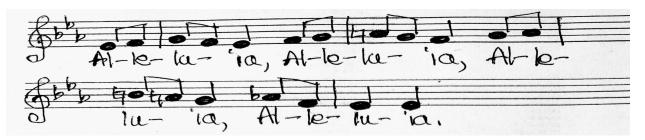
One thing have I asked of the Lord; one thing I seek; \* that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life; To behold the fair beauty of the Lord \* and to seek him in his temple. **Ant.** 

For in the day of trouble he shall keep me safe in his shelter; \*
he shall hide me in the secrecy of his dwelling and set me high upon a rock.
Therefore I will offer in his dwelling an oblation with sounds of great gladness; \*
I will sing and make music to the Lord. Ant.

Hearken to my voice, O Lord, when I call; have mercy on me and answer me. You speak in my heart and say, Seek my face. Your face, Lord, will I seek. **Ant.** 

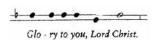
## **Gospel Acclamation**

Kathy Shanklin



V: Jesus proclaimed the Gospel of the kingdom, and cured every disease among the people. (*The Alleluia is repeated*)

# The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew



When Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, so that what had been spoken through the

prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: "Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali, on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned." From that time Jesus began to proclaim, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near."

As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fish for people." Immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him.

Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people. The Gospel of the Lord

The Rector's Address The Nicene Creed

BCP, 358

A Litany of Thanksgiving for the Church Book of Occasional Services Please stand or kneel

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

For the Church universal, of which you, O Christ, are the foundation and chief cornerstone, We thank you, Lord.

For your presence whenever two or three have gathered together in your Name, We thank you, Lord.

For making us your children by adoption and grace, and refreshing us day by day with the bread of life, We thank you, Lord.

For the knowledge of your will and the grace to perform it, We thank you, Lord.

For the fulfilling of our desires and petitions as may be best for us, We thank you, Lord.

For the pardoning of our sins, which restores us to the company of your faithful people, We thank you, Lord.

For the blessing of lives with your goodness, We thank you, Lord.

For the faith and perseverance of those who have gone before us, *We thank you, Lord.* 

For the fellowship of Mary the God-bearer, the holy apostles, blessed Martin and of all the saints, *We thank you, Lord*.

Priest: O God, we praise you for the redemption of the world through the death and resurrection of Jesus the Christ. We thank you for pouring out your Spirit upon us, making some apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers to equip your people for the building up of the Body of Christ. Bless this new work that we undertake, that your Name may be glorified, now and forever. Amen.

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 and Announcements

Please stand to sing

Offertory Hymn Will You Come and Follow Me

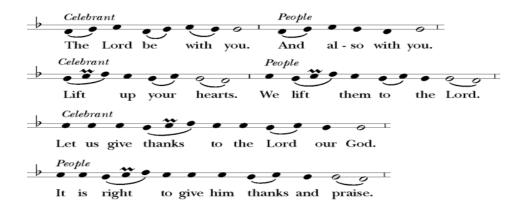
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Vv 1 and 2- All; V. 3 Choir; Vv 4 and 5- All

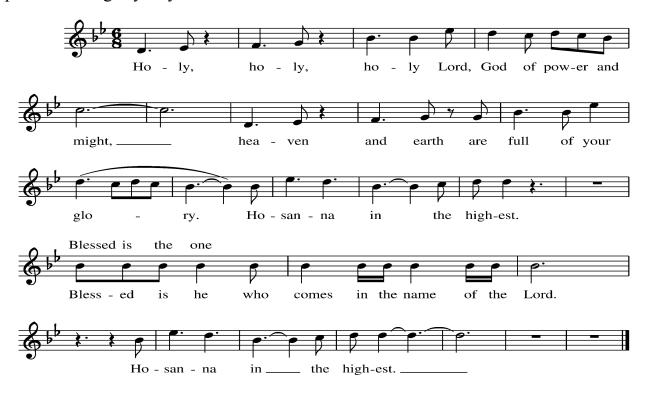


## The Liturgy of the Altar

**Priest:** Open the heavens, Lord our God, and send your transforming Spirit on us and on these gifts. May we who are baptized into Christ be ready to take up our cross and follow him, and be strengthened to serve him for ever.



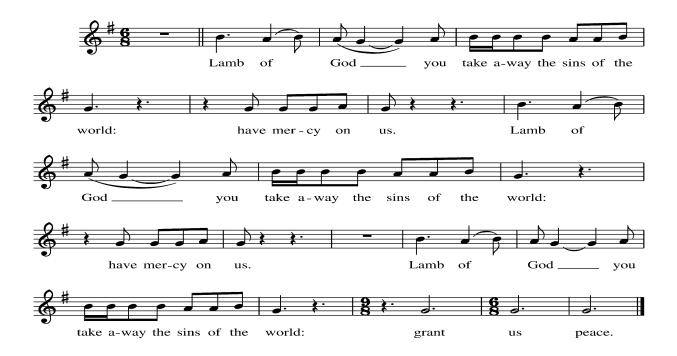
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, because Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your son Jesus Christ our Lord Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:



The Eucharistic Prayer continues in the *Book of Common Prayer*, page 368
The Lord's Prayer

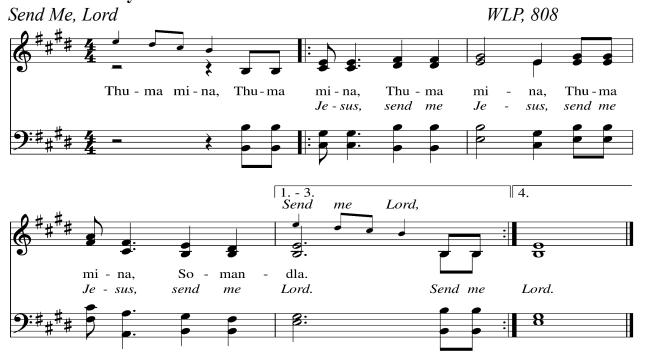
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The Fraction and Lamb of God



Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. Happy are they who are called to the Supper of the Lamb.

# The Holy Communion Communion Hymns



Additional verses

- 3. Call: Lead me, Lord, Response: Lead me, Jesus.
- 4. Call: Fill me, Lord, Response: Fill me, Jesus.

My God, Thou Table Now Is Spread

Hymnal 1982, 321

Post Communion Prayer (Please kneel or stand) Annual Meeting Business Continues: BCP, 365

Election of Vestry Members Announcement of New School Board Members Financial Report Wardens Reports Blessing and Dismissal

**Hymn:** The People Who in Darkness Walked vv 3-5 Hymnal 1982, **126** 

### **Serving Today**

Thurifer: Fausto Beleno Crucifer: Claire Francis

Lector: Omar Francis Eucharistic Minister: Chris Bockus

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

Organist: Kathy Shanklin Celebrant: Father Rob Laws+

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Annual Meeting: Today (Brunch to follow in the undercroft) The vestry will meet briefly following the Annual Meeting.

Mass: Wednesday, 6 pm in the Lady Chapel The Electing Convention for New Bishop- Saturday, January 28

#### **LOOKING AHEAD**

Sunday, February 5- Candlemas Sunday, February 19- Mardi Gras Party

Wednesday, February 22- Ash Wednesday Services Noon- A simple service of repentance with imposition of ashes and communion 7 pm- Liturgy of the Day

Lenten Book Study: Thank God for Evolution, by Michael Dowd

We will meet Mondays in Lent at 7 pm at Juanita Hawkins' home, beginning Feb. 27. Those who desire may gather at 6:30 pm to pray the Anglican Rosary. Information on purchasing the book and where to purchase an Anglican Rosary will be forthcoming.