

ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Twenty-fifth Sunday *after Pentecost*

Holy Eucharist

November 15, 2026 • 9:30 am

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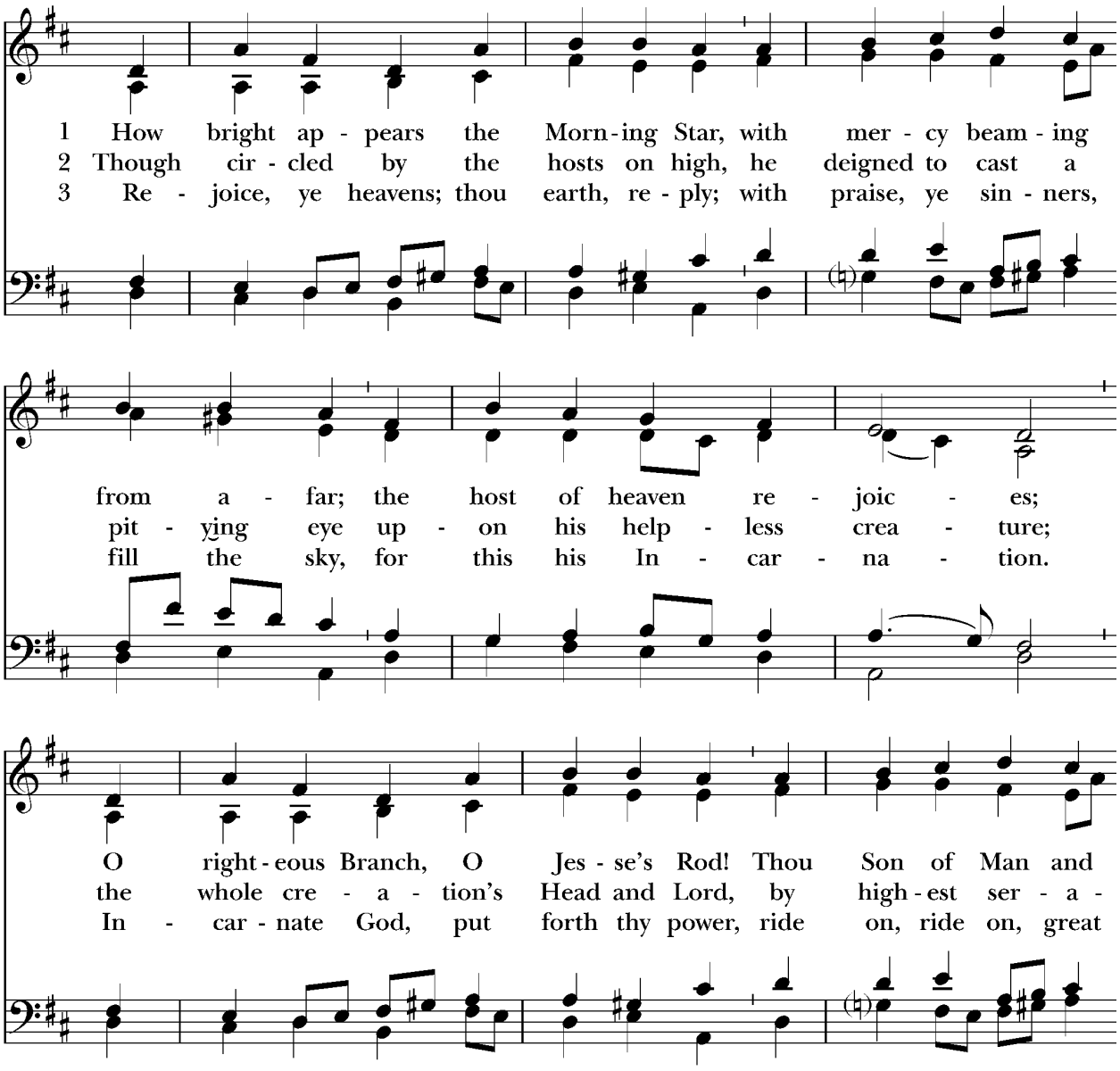
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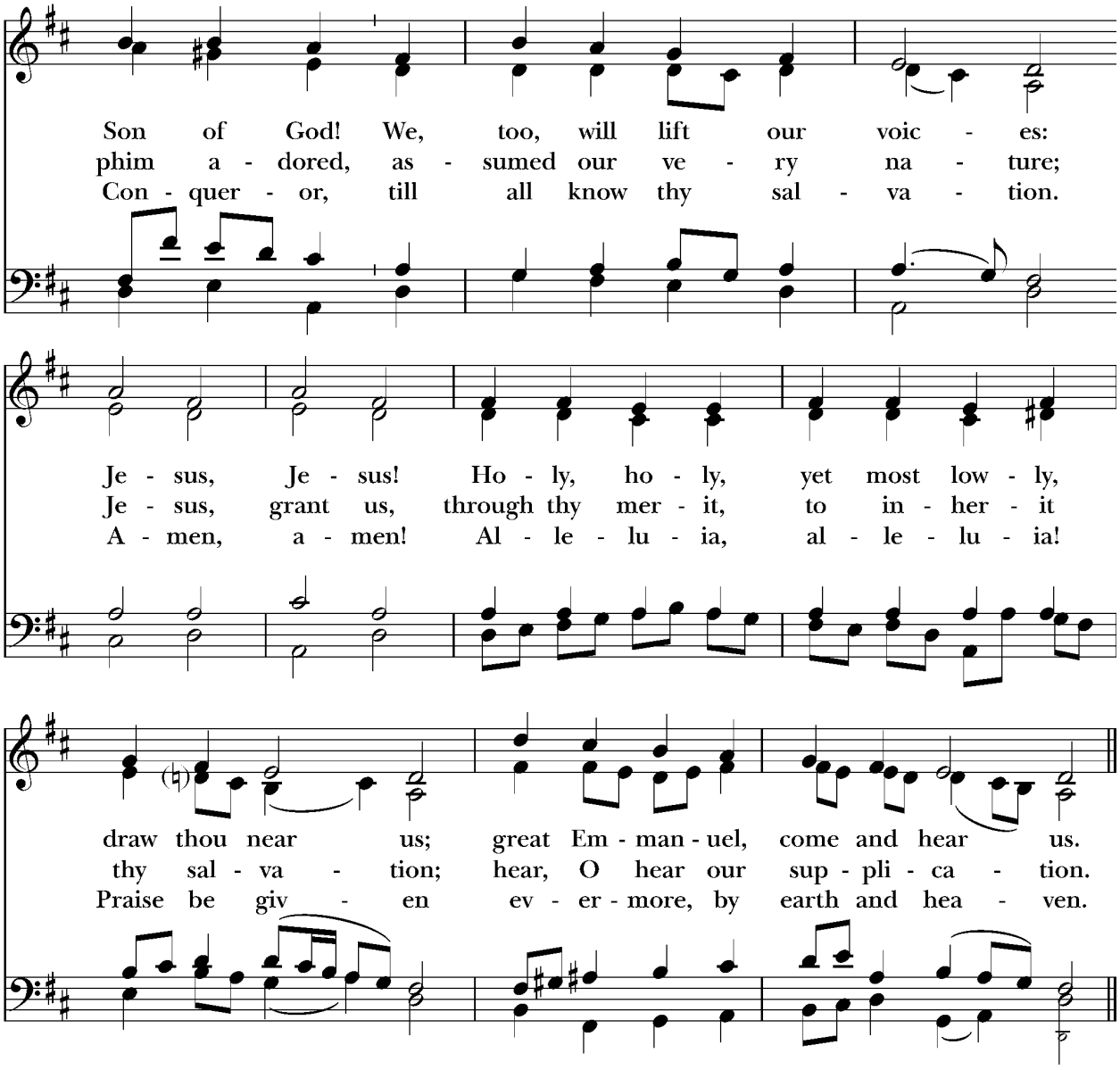
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PRELUDE

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

How bright appears the Morning Star (Wie schön leuchtet) Hymnal 497





The Word of the Lord

OPENING ACCLAMATION AND COLLECT FOR PURITY

Book of Common Prayer p. 355

Celebrant Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

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.*

SONG OF PRAISE

Hymnal S 280

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Book of Common Prayer p. 357

Celebrant God be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Let us pray.

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

FIRST READING

Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18

A Reading from the book of the prophet Zephaniah.

7 Be silent before the Lord GOD! For the day of the LORD is at hand; the LORD has prepared a sacrifice, he has consecrated his guests.
12 At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps, and I will punish the people who rest complacently on their dregs, those who say in their hearts, "The LORD will not do good, nor will he do harm."
13 Their wealth shall be plundered, and their houses laid waste. Though they build houses, they shall not inhabit them; though they plant vineyards, they shall not drink wine from them.
14 The great day of the LORD is near, near and hastening fast; the sound of the day of the LORD is bitter,
the warrior cries aloud there.
15 That day will be a day of wrath, a day of distress and anguish, a day of ruin and devastation, a day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and thick darkness,
16 a day of trumpet blast and battle cry against the fortified cities and against the lofty battlements.
17 I will bring such distress upon people that they shall walk like the blind; because they have sinned against the LORD, their blood shall be poured out like dust, and their flesh like dung.
18 Neither their silver nor their gold will be able to save them on the day of the LORD's wrath; in the fire of his passion the whole earth shall be consumed for a full, a terrible end he will make of all the inhabitants of the earth.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM

Psalm 90:1-8 [9-11] 12

The psalm will be read responsively by whole verse beginning with the reader.

1 Lord, you have been our refuge *
from one generation to another.
2 **Before the mountains were brought forth,**
or the land and the earth were born, *
from age to age you are God.
3 You turn us back to the dust and say, *
"Go back, O child of earth."
4 **For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past ***
and like a watch in the night.

5 You sweep us away like a dream; *
we fade away suddenly like the grass.
6 **In the morning it is green and flourishes; ***
in the evening it is dried up and withered.
7 For we consume away in your displeasure; *
we are afraid because of your wrathful indignation.
8 **Our iniquities you have set before you, ***
and our secret sins in the light of your countenance.
[9 When you are angry, all our days are gone; *
we bring our years to an end like a sigh.
10 **The span of our life is seventy years,**
perhaps in strength even eighty; *
yet the sum of them is but labor and sorrow,
for they pass away quickly and we are gone.
11 Who regards the power of your wrath? *
who rightly fears your indignation?
] 12 **So teach us to number our days, ***
that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.

SECOND READING

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

A Reading from Paul's First letter to the Church in Thessalonika.

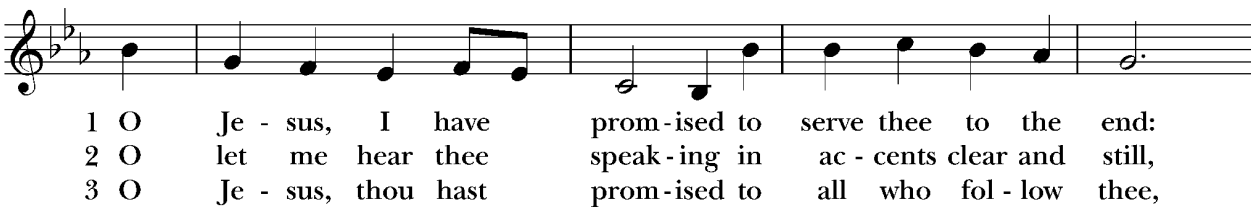
1 Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to
you. 2 For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. 3 When they
say, “There is peace and security,” then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a
pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! 4 But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise
you like a thief; 5 for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness.
6 So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; 7 for those who sleep sleep at
night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. 8 But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on
the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. 9 For God has destined us not for wrath
but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, 10 who died for us, so that whether we are awake or
asleep we may live with him. 11 Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are
doing.

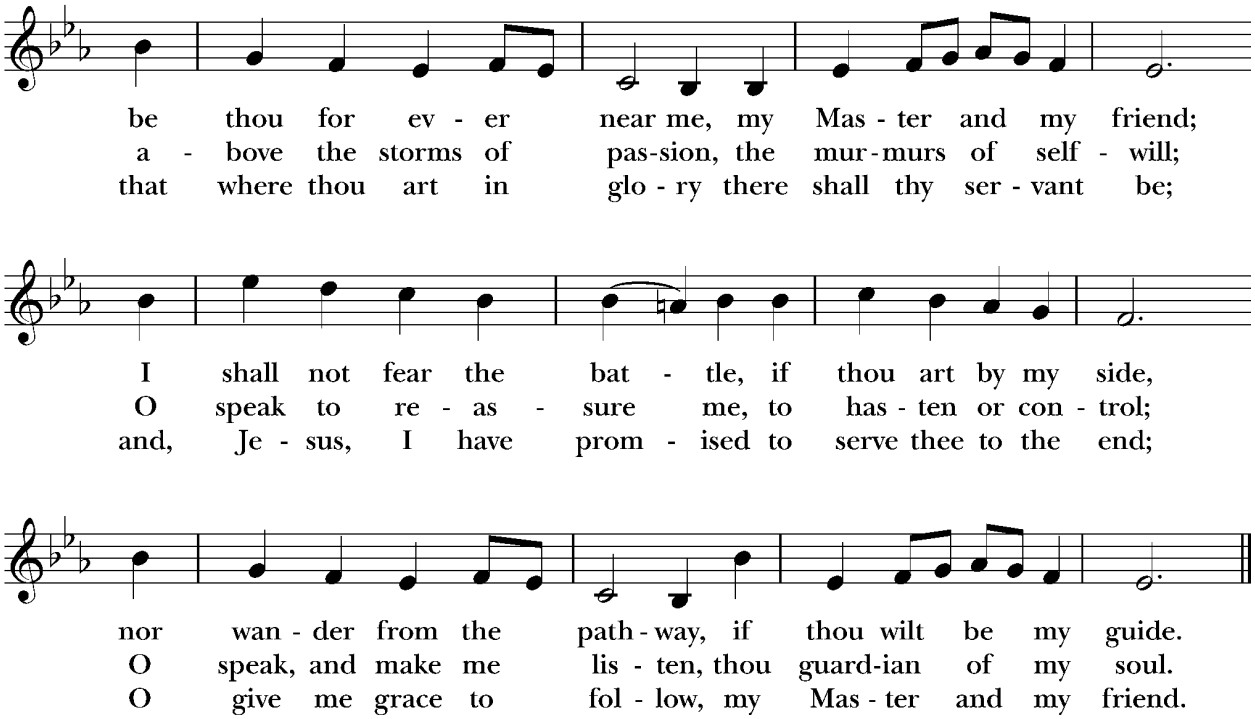
Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

People **Thanks be to God**.

GRADUAL HYMN

O Jesus, I have promised (Nyland) Hymnal 655





GOSPEL

Matthew 25:14-30

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

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

14 [Jesus said, "The kingdom of heaven will be as when] a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and
entrusted his property to them; 15 to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according
to his ability. Then he went away. 16 The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with
them, and made five more talents. 17 In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents.
18 But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's
money. 19 After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. 20 Then the one
who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to
me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.' 21 His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy
slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of
your master.' 22 And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two
talents; see, I have made two more talents.' 23 His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave;
you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your
master.' 24 Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you
were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; 25 so I was
afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' 26 But his master replied, 'You
wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter?
27 Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what
was my own with interest. 28 So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. 29 For to all
those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even
what they have will be taken away. 30 As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where
there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' "

Priest The Gospel of our Savior.

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

THE SERMON

The Rev. Sally Goodall

THE NICENE CREED

Enriching our Worship I, p. 53

All standing in body or spirit.

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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;
For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;
For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;
For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God; remembering especially *Iglesia Anglicana de Chile* in the Anglican Communion; and in the Diocese of Ohio the 210th Diocesan Convention as it prepares to gather, and for the Secretary of Convention, convention delegates, and all who support the work of convention.
For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For *Sean* our Presiding Bishop, and *Anne* our Bishop; and for all bishops and other ministers;
For all who serve God in the Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation, remembering especially those on our prayer list.

Silence. The People may add their own petitions

Hear us, Lord;
For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence. The People may add their own thanksgivings

We will exalt you, O God our King;
And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence. The People may add their own petitions

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
Who put their trust in you.

The Celebrant concludes with a Collect.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Enriching our Worship I, p. 56

Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence may be kept.

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen*.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you**.

THE OFFERTORY

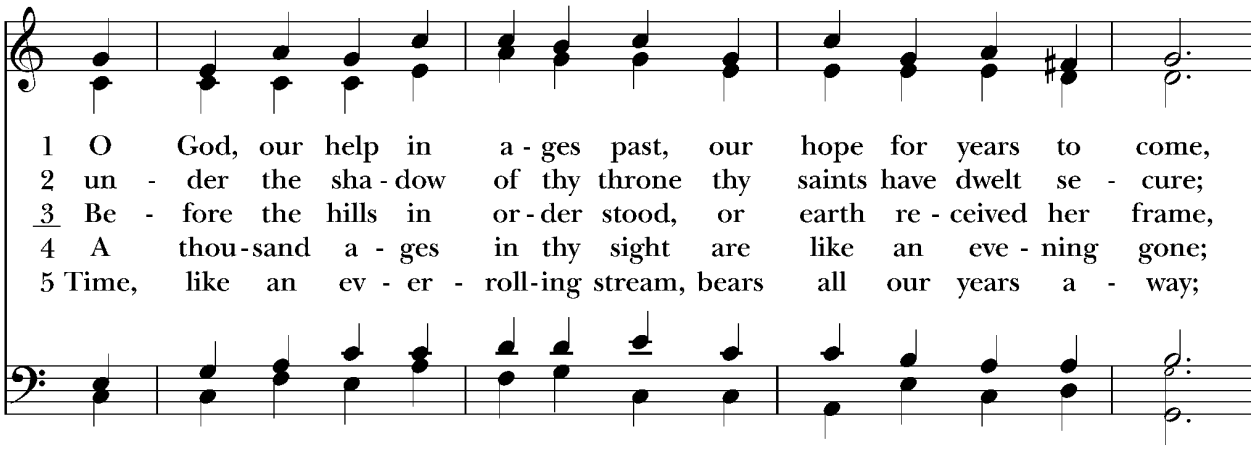
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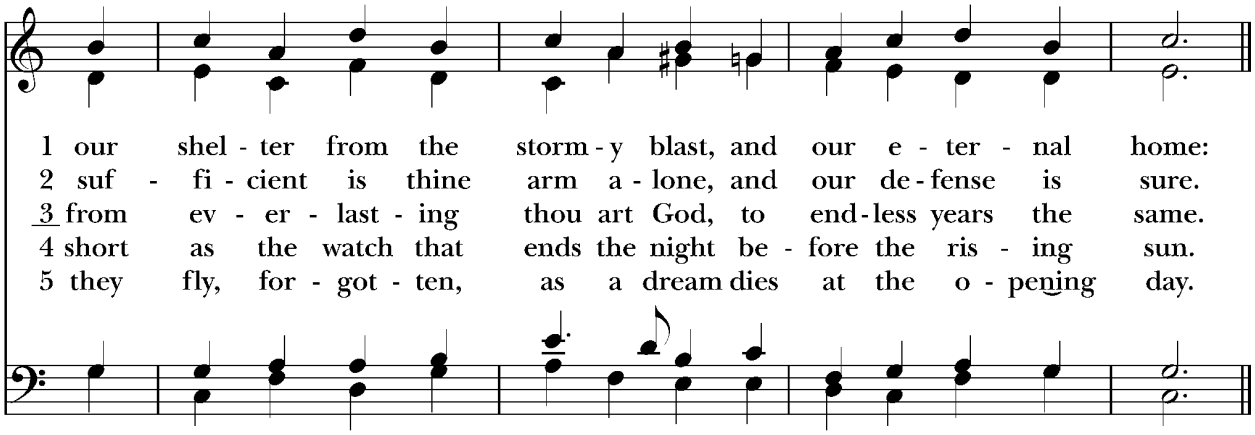
Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

OFFERTORY HYMN

O God, our help in ages past (St. Anne)

Hymnal 680





6 O God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,
be thou our guide while life shall last,
and our eternal home.

The Great Thanksgiving

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER I

Enriching our Worship I, p. 57

SURSUM CORDA

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.**

Celebrant It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy.

You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing (say):

SANCTUS

Hymnal S 125

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the

world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said:

"Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all 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.

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. ***AMEN***

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Book of Common Prayer p. 363

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,
forever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

FRACTION ANTHEM

Hymnal S 163

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.

INVITATION

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.

We welcome all to the table for Holy Communion. All baptized Christians of any denomination are welcome to receive the Sacrament. To receive a blessing instead, cross your arms over your chest. You may receive the Sacrament in one or both kinds and gluten free wafers are available by request.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

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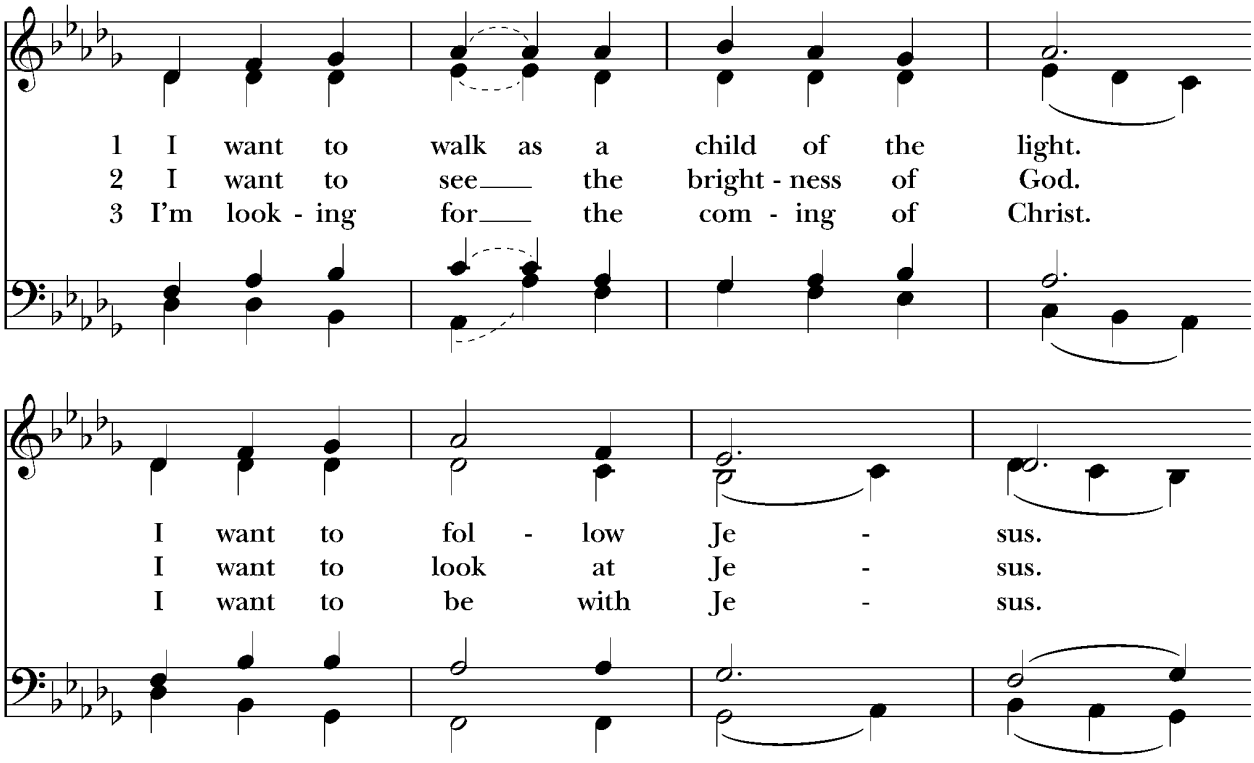
Let us pray.
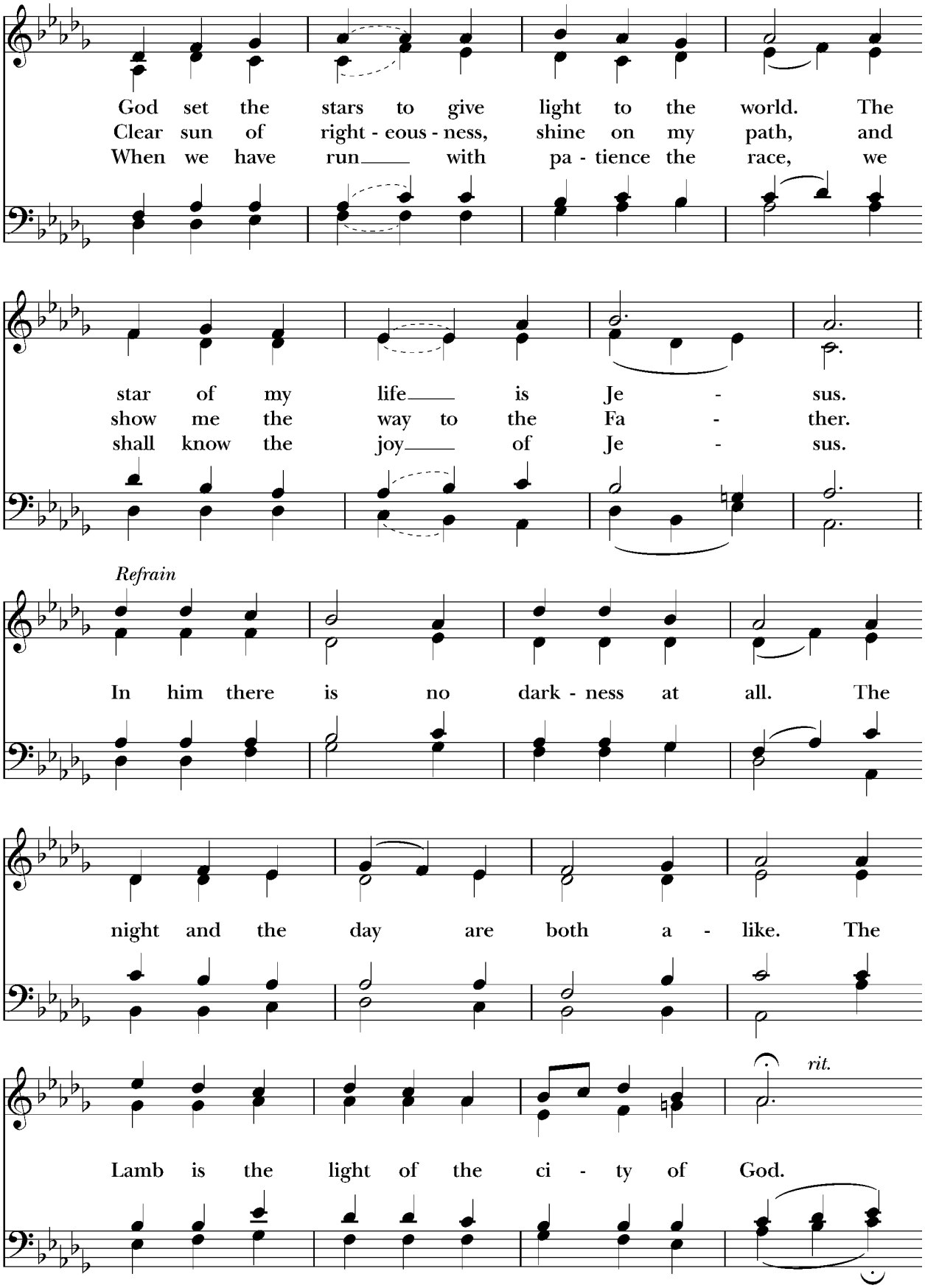
Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.
Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

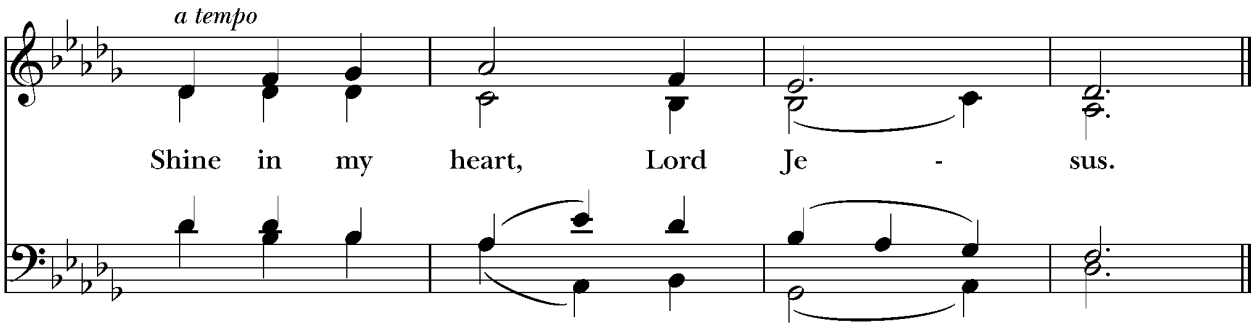
BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN

I want to walk as a child of the *light (Houston)* Hymnal 490




God set the stars to give light to the world. The
Clear sun of right - eous - ness, shine on my path, and
When we have run with pa - tience the race, we
star of my life is Je - sus.
show me the way to the Fa - ther.
shall know the joy of Je - sus.
Refrain
In him there is no dark - ness at all. The
night and the day are both a - like. The
rit.
Lamb is the light of the ci - ty of God.



DISMISSAL

Book of Common Prayer p. 366

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Prayer List

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WE PRAY FOR THOSE ON OUR PRAYER LIST

T.J. Leo, Allen DeMarks, Vickey, Ginger Elliott, Carmela, Twila,
Ron Robertson, Gaynell Harris, Olivia, Carlos & Julianna Caguiat, Donna Wynn,
Brian Sullivan, Mary Snyder, Pat Rogers, Karen Kelly, Bob, Jason, Joe Edwards,
Eleanor Congdon, Bill Bonte, Pat Sekola, Roxanne DeNiro, George & Carol Errington,
Paul, Clinton Jost, Stan, Ronald Gould, Kevin Shelton,
Suzanne Cinelli, Gretchen Lowe, Sally Wiley, Cathy Stigliano, Edna Gilliam, Lisa,
Brenda, Saralee, Phil Maiden

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TODAY'S ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the honor and glory of God and in memory of Dorothy Margaret LaFleur by Suzanne Cinelli.

TODAY'S AUMBRY CANDLE is given to the honor and glory of God and in memory of Bill Elliott by Ginger Elliott, Rev Dr. Dale Allen Szallai by Cathy Stigliano, Norman & Marion Vacha and Dorothy LaFleur & Albert Cinelli by Suzanne Cinelli, Margaret S Carlsten by Ronald & Marcia Gould.

We Welcome You to *St. John's*

If you are visiting today, please fill out a Connection Card from the pew rack and place it in the offering plate, or sign the guest register in the hallway. And please join us for conversation and refreshments in the back of the nave after the service.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHOIR If you are interested in singing in the choir, speak with Dale Schall.

CHALICE BEARERS Rev. Sally will be meeting with all chalice bearers after the service today whether you're a brand-new chalice bearer or an experienced server, we need to get everyone officially licensed. We would like to encourage anyone who is interested in serving. to attend. All are welcome to join us, men and women!

WOMENS' COFFEE Saturday, November 21 from 9:00 to 9:45 in the parlor.

RED DOOR PANTRY Saturday, November 21 from10:00 to 11:15 in the undercroft**.**

LAY EUCHARISTIC VISITORS We have a team of Lay Eucharistic Visitors who are trained and licensed to carry and serve communion to any of our parishioners who are unable to attend church. If you would like a visit or if you would like more information, please contact the church office @ 330-743-3175.

SAVE THE DATE FOR SOME HOLIDAY FUN Join us for a special holiday brunch at the back of the nave following our morning worship on Sunday, December 6 and a field trip to the Arms Family Museum at noon. General admission is $10 for seniors and $9 for college students. Members of the military and veterans are admitted for free with ID. Thanks to an anonymous donor who is a member of St. John's, admission is free to children ages 3-18 and to those who need financial assistance