



The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost – October 26, 2025

10:30 a.m.

Welcome! Everything you need to follow along with today's service can be found in this liturgy guide. Our congregational hymns are from in the blue Hymnal 1982 and in the spiral-bound Advocate Songbook.

Welcome & Announcements

Gathering Hymn

How lovely is thy dwelling place

Hymnal 517

All stand, as able.

1 How love - ly is thy dwell - ing - place, O Lord of hosts, to
2 Be - side thine al - tars, gra - cious Lord, the swal - lows find a
3 They who go through the des - ert vale will find it filled with
4 One day with - in thy courts ex - cels a thou-sand spent a -

me! My thirst - y soul de - sires and longs with -
nest; how hap - py they who dwell with thee and
springs, and they shall climb from height to height till
way; how hap - py they who keep thy laws nor

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in thy courts to be; my ve - ry heart and
 praise thee with - out rest, and hap - py they whose
 Zi - on's tem - ple rings with praise to thee, in
 from thy pre - cepts stray, for thou shalt sure - ly

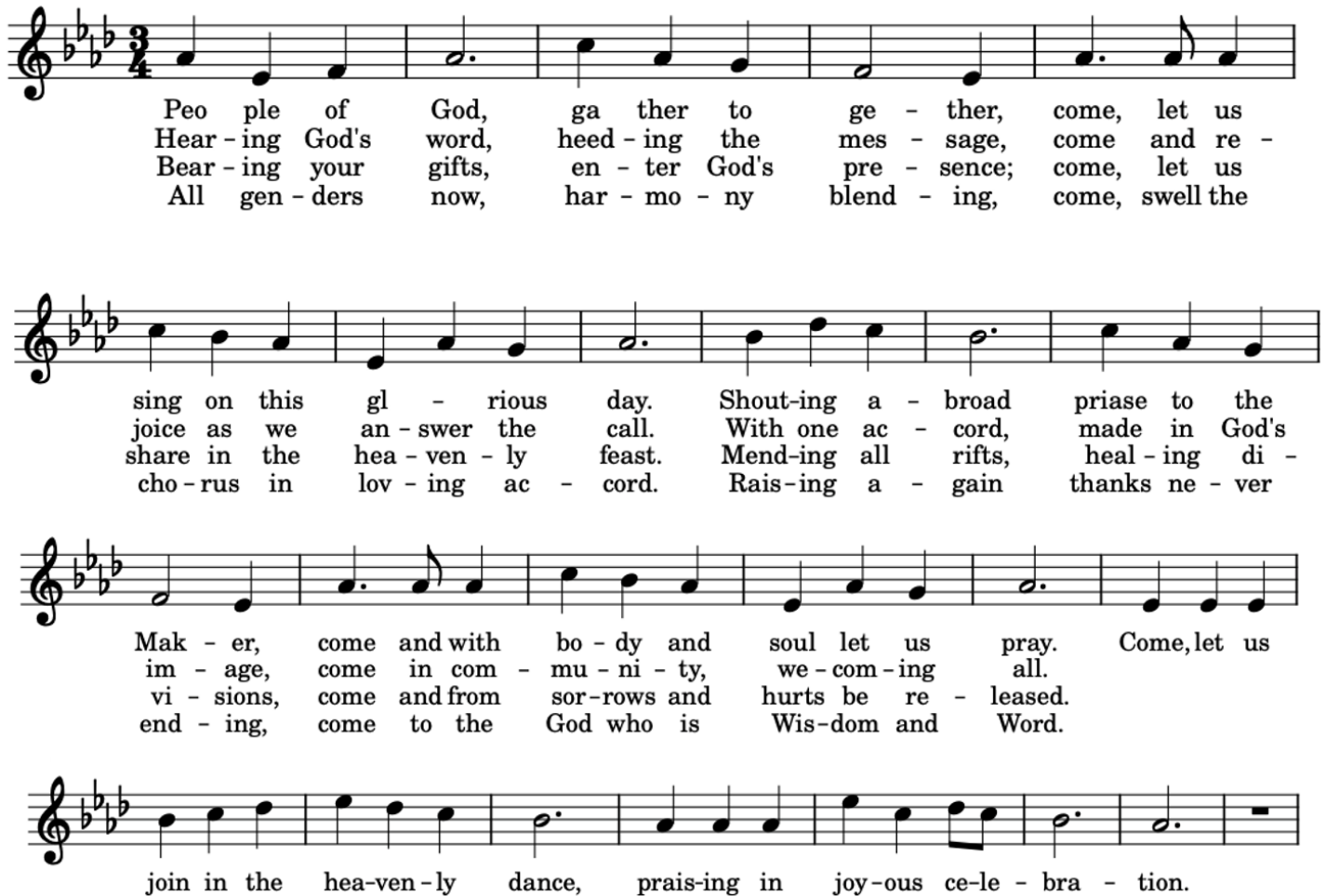
flesh cry out, O liv - ing God, for thee.
 hearts are set up - on the pil - grim's quest.
 glo - ry throned, Lord God, great King of kings.
 bless all those who live the words they pray.

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Opening Acclamation

Presider Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Presider prays the Collect for Purity, and the People respond, 'Amen.'



Peo ple of God, ga ther to ge - ther, come, let us
Hear - ing God's word, heed - ing the mes - sage, come and re -
Bear - ing your gifts, en - ter God's pre - sence; come, let us
All gen - ders now, har - mo - ny blend - ing, come, swell the

sing on this gl - rious day. Shout - ing a - broad priase to the
joice as we an - swer the call. With one ac - cord, made in God's
share in the hea - ven - ly feast. Mend - ing all rifts, heal - ing di -
cho - rus in lov - ing ac - cord. Rais - ing a - gain thanks ne - ver

Mak - er, come and with bo - dy and soul let us pray. Come, let us
im - age, come in com - mu - ni - ty, we - com - ing all.
vi - sions, come and from sor - rows and hurts be re - leased.
end - ing, come to the God who is Wis - dom and Word.

join in the hea - ven - ly dance, prais - ing in joy - ous ce - le - bra - tion.

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

The Presider prays the Collect of the Day, and the People respond, 'Amen.'

All are seated for the readings.

The First Reading

After the reading:

<i>Lector</i>	Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
<i>People</i>	Thanks be to God.

Psalm 84:1-6

- ¹ How dear to me is your dwelling, O God of hosts! *
My soul has a desire and longing for your courts;
my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.
- ² The sparrow has found her a house
and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young; *
by the side of your altars, O God of hosts, my Ruler and my God.
- ³ Happy are they who dwell in your house; *
they will always be praising you.
- ⁴ Happy are the people whose strength is in you, *
whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.
- ⁵ Those who go through the desolate valley will find it a place of springs, *
for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.
- ⁶ They will climb from height to height, *
and the God of gods will be revealed in Zion.

The Second Reading

After the reading:

<i>Lector</i>	Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
<i>People</i>	Thanks be to God.

Gospel Hymn

All who hunger gather gladly

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As you are able, please stand for the hymn and the reading of the Gospel.

1. All who hun - ger gath - er glad - ly; ho - ly man - na
 2. All who hun - ger, nev - er stran - gers, seek - er, be a
 3. All who hun - ger, sing to - geth - er, Je - sus Christ is

is our bread. Come from wil - der - ness and wan - d'ring.
 wel - come guest. Come from rest - less - ness and roam - ing.
 liv - ing bread. Come from lone - li - ness and long - ing.

Here in truth we will be fed. You that yearn for
 Here, in joy we keep the feast. We that once were
 Here, in peace, we have been fed. Blest are those who

days of full - ness, all a - round us is our food.
 lost and scat - tered in com - mun - ion's love have stood.
 from this ta - ble live their days in grat - i - tude.

Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal.
 Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal.
 Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal.

Taste and see that God is good.
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 Taste and see that God is good.

Words: Sylvia G. Dunstan (1955-1993). Music: *Holy Manna*, from *The Southern Harmony*, 1835; alt. harm., *Columbian Harmony*, 1825.

The Holy Gospel

The Gospel is processed around the assembly. You may touch, kiss, or reverence the Gospel as it passes.

Clergy The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to _____.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

After the Gospel is proclaimed:

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

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed

All stand, as able.



*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,
Begot / ten, 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
Vir/gin 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 gi/ver 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 apo/stolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgive / ness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of / the dead,
and the life of the world to / come. Amen.*

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The Prayers of the People

After each petition:

Intercessor Lord, in your goodness:
People **Hear our prayer.**

The Presider prays a concluding Collect, and the People respond, 'Amen.'

The Confession & Absolution

Presider Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor
All **Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;**
 in your compassion forgive us our sins,
 known and unknown,
 things done and left undone;
 and so uphold us by your Spirit,
 that we may live and serve you in newness of life,
 to the honor and glory of your Name;
 through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Presider pronounces the Absolution, and the People respond, 'Amen.'

The Peace

Presider The Peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

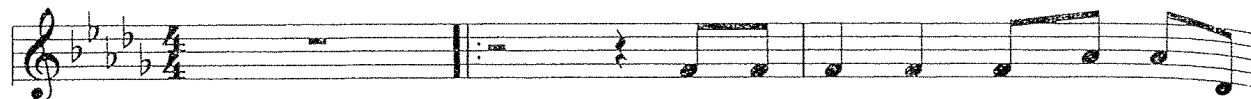
The People share a sign of God's peace with one another.

Offertory Hymn & Procession

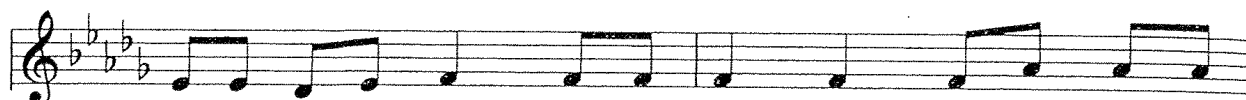
Will you come and follow me

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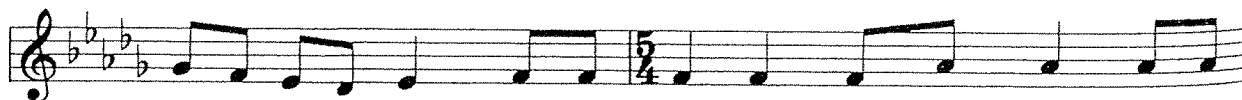
All are invited to come forward as we offer not only ourselves, but the gifts from our lives: bread and wine, funds, and other food that supports the Inter-Faith Council's food bank. This presentation is in the form of a procession towards the altar, where you may offer your gifts to God, including yourselves. Give to the Advocate online: <https://tinyurl.com/GiveToAdvocate>



1. Will you come and fol - low me if
2. Will you leave your self be - hind if
3. Will you let the blind - ed see if
4. Will you love the "You" you hide if
5. Christ, your sum - mons ech - oes true when



I but call your name? Will you go where you don't know and
 I but call your name? Will you care for cruel and kind and
 I but call your name? Will you set the pris - 'ner free and
 I but call your name? Will you quell the fear in - side and
 you but call my name. Let me turn and fol - low you and



nev - er be the same? Will you let my love be shown? Will you
 nev - er be the same? Will you risk the hos - tile stare should your
 nev - er be the same? Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do
 nev - er be the same? Will you use the faith you've found to re -
 nev - er be the same. In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your



let my Name be known? Will you let my life be grown in
 life at - tract or scare? Will you let me an - swer prayer in
 such as this un - seen? And ad - mit to what I mean in
 shape the world a - round through my sight and touch and sound in
 love and foot - steps show, thus I'll move and live and grow in

1. 2. 3. 4.

5. (Final ending)



you and you in me?
 you and you in me?
 you and you in me?
 you and you in me?

5. you and you in me.

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Music: Mary Alexandra, John L. Hooker (b. 1944); © 1996 John L. Hooker

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

All stand, as able. Children are invited to gather around the altar.

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

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

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

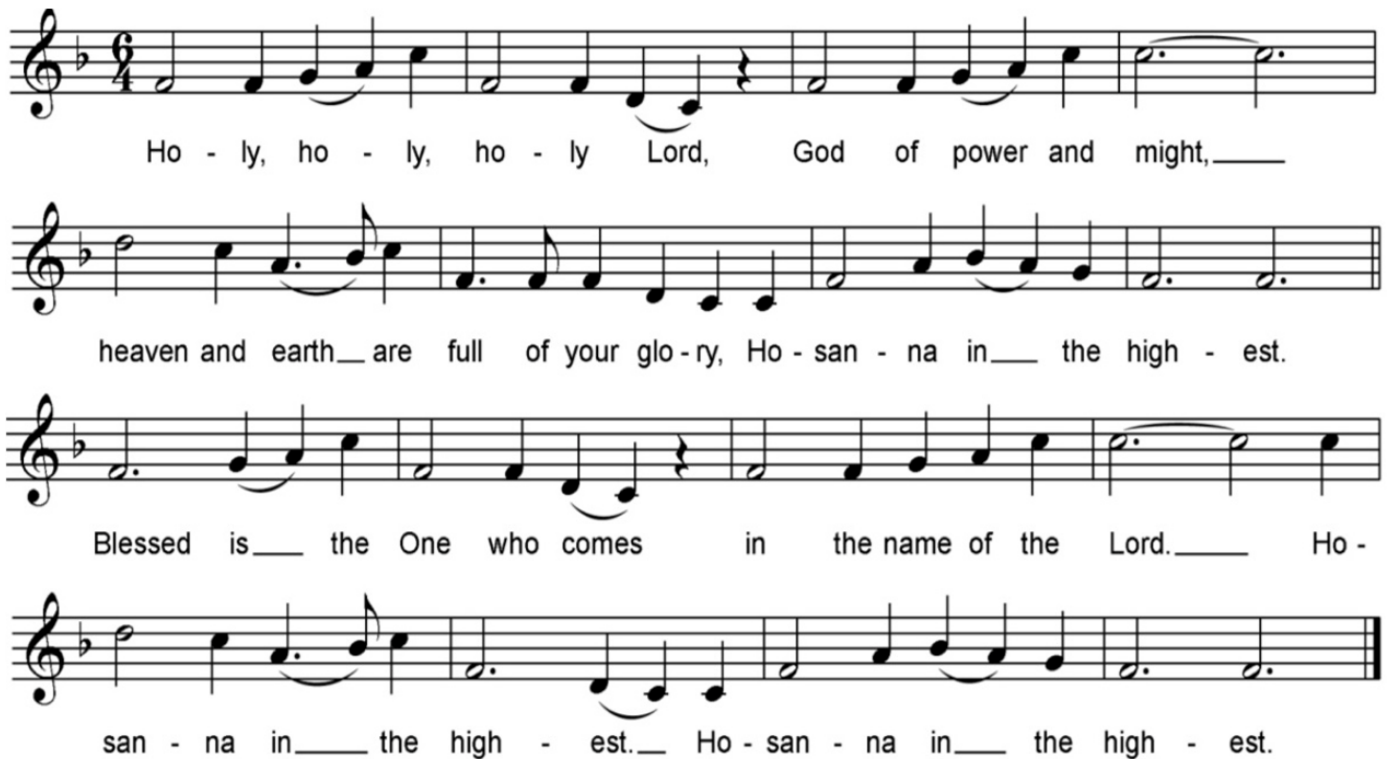
The Presider prays a Proper Preface, then continues.

Presider 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:

Sanctus

Holy, holy, holy (Land of Rest)

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Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,____

heaven and earth____are full of your glo - ry, Ho - san - na in____the high - est.

Blessed is____the One who comes in the name of the Lord.____Ho -

san - na in____the high - est.____Ho - san - na in____the high - est.

Music: American folk melody; arr. Marcia Pruner, harm. Annabel Morris Buchanan (1889-1983)

The Presider recalls God's work in creation and Christ's Last Supper.

The Presider and People pray the Memorial Acclamation:

Presider Therefore, we proclaim the Mystery of Faith:

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

The Presider prays that the gifts and People may be sanctified by God. When the Eucharistic Prayer is concluded, the People respond in a loud voice, 'AMEN!'

Presider As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray:

Celebrant: As our Sa-vior Christ has taught us we now pray, Our Fa - ther in hea - ven, hal - lowed be your name, —

your king - dom come, your will be done, on earth as in hea - ven.

Give us to - day our dai - ly bread. For - give us our sins as we for -

give those who sin a - gainst us. Save us from the time of trial and de - liv - er us from e - vil.

For the king - dom, the power and the glo - ry are yours, now and for e - ver. A - men.

Music: Nikolai Kedrov, Sr. (1871-1940)

The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence follows.

Presider Behold what you are.

People **May we become what we receive.**

The Presider invites the People to receive the Communion of our Lord. All we welcome to come forward. The Ministers commune themselves, then the musicians.

Those gathered at home are invited to pray the following prayer as those in person receive:

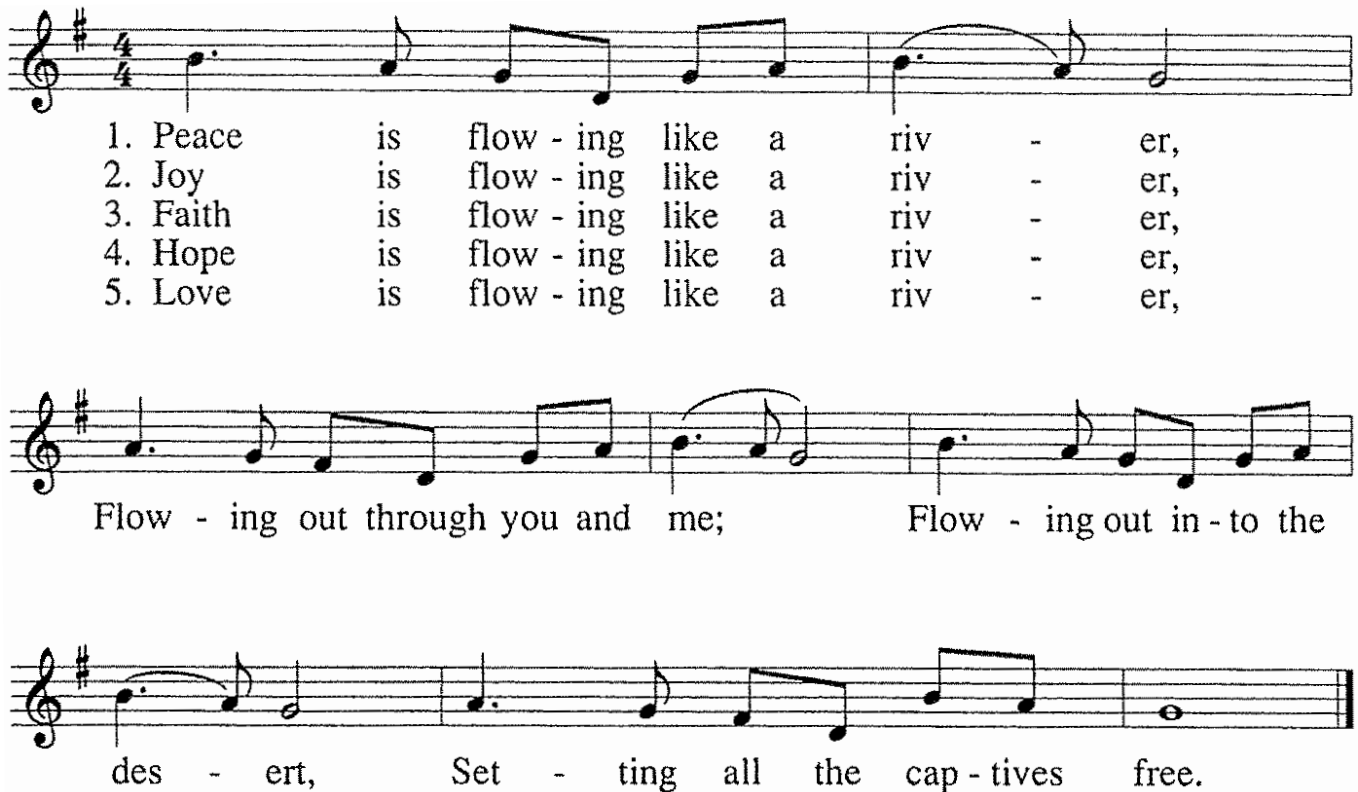
Prayer for Spiritual Communion

In union, blessed Jesus, with the faithful gathered this day, we offer you praise and thanksgiving for creation and all the blessings of this life, for the redemption won for us by your life, death, and resurrection, for the means of grace and the hope of glory. We believe that you are truly present in Word and Sacrament, and, since we cannot at this time receive communion, we pray you to come into our hearts. We unite ourselves with you and embrace you with all our hearts, souls, and minds. Let nothing separate us from you; let us serve you in this life until, by your grace, we come to unending peace in your glorious kingdom. Amen.

Communion Hymn

Peace is flowing like a river

Advocate Songbook 71



1. Peace is flow - ing like a riv - er,
2. Joy is flow - ing like a riv - er,
3. Faith is flow - ing like a riv - er,
4. Hope is flow - ing like a riv - er,
5. Love is flow - ing like a riv - er,
Flow - ing out through you and me; Flow - ing out in - to the
des - ert, Set - ting all the cap - tives free.

Text: Unknown

Tune: Unknown; acc. by Dianna Kodner, b.1957

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Post-Communion Prayer

Presider Let us pray.

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 for ever. Amen.

The Presider offers a blessing, and the People respond, 'Amen.'



1 How firm a foun - da - tion, ye saints of the Lord,
 2 "Fear not, I am with thee; O be not dis - mayed!
 3 "When through the deep wa - ters I call thee to go,
 4 "When through fier - y tri - als thy path - way shall lie,
 5 "The soul that to Je - sus hath fled for re - pose,



1 is laid for your faith in his ex - cel - lent word!
 2 For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;
 3 the riv - ers of woe shall not thee o - ver - flow;
 4 my grace, all - suf - fi - cient, shall be thy sup - ply;
 5 I will not, I will not de - sert to its foes;



1 What more can he say than to you he hath said,
 2 I'll strength - en thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,
 3 for I will be with thee, thy trou - bles to bless,
 4 the flame shall not hurt thee; I on - ly de - sign
 5 that soul, though all hell shall en - deav - or to shake,



1 to you that for ref - uge to Je - sus have fled?
 2 up - held by my right - eous, om - ni - po - tent hand.
 3 and sanc - ti - fy to thee thy deep - est dis - tress.
 4 thy dross to con - sume, and thy gold to re - fine.
 5 I'll nev - er, no, nev - er, no, nev - er for - sake."

Words: K. in John Rippon's *Selection*, 1787, alt. Music: *Foundation*, melody from *The Sacred Harp*, 1844; harm. Calvin Hampton (1938-1984); alt. acc. Eugene W. Hancock (b. 1929).

Dismissal

The Dismissal is given, and the People respond in a loud voice, 'Thanks be to God!'

Welcome to The Episcopal Church of the Advocate

Whether you're a newcomer or a longtime member, we're so glad to have you worship with us today!

Here at the Advocate, we believe in the core principles of compassion, justice, and transformation, which are expressed in the rhythms of our worship. The ancient word for what we do is 'liturgy,' which means 'the work of the people,' and it is the work of the Advocate to pray and break bread together, as our Sunday morning liturgy inspires us to go into the world proclaiming the love of Jesus. We therefore encourage the people gathered to participate fully, by your prayers, your singing, and your presence.

The songs we sing come from the blue *Hymnal 1982*, as well as our Advocate Songbook, which features music from other resources such as *Lift Every Voice and Sing; Wonder, Love, and Praise; Voices Found*; the American shape note tradition; Taizé; St. Gregory of Nyssa Episcopal Church; and more. All are used with copyright permission.

Founded at the turn of the century as a mission of the three Orange County Episcopal congregations, the Advocate has been a place of rest and refuge for believers of all sorts. We welcome every expression of the human condition and encourage questions and conversation, as we explore together what it means to be followers of Jesus in an ever changing and confusing world. In 2023 we achieved parish status, and we're excited for this new season in which we're continuing to learn and grow into what it means to be a witness of Christ's love for the wider community.

We are a people of prayer and action, eager to serve our neighbors near and far. Through intergenerational formation, worship, and fellowship opportunities, we offer a place for anyone and everyone to explore their own faith and find the strength and support of a loving community of seekers.

No matter who you are, or where you are on your spiritual journey, you have a place here. Welcome to the Advocate!



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