



Diocesan Convention Episcopal Diocese of Arkansas

The Holy Eucharist, Rite II
Friday, February 16, 2024, 6 p.m.



Welcome. *We are grateful that you have joined us and hope that you find space here to come close to God. We welcome all who seek the Holy, no matter your background. At Trinity Episcopal Cathedral, we pray, celebrate, and share our gifts with each other, our neighbors, and our community, as we serve God and represent the Episcopal Diocese of Arkansas. We'd love to connect with you about how to make this church your home.*

THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE TWO

Prelude

Psalm Prelude, Set 2, No. 1

Herbert Howells

Based on Psalm 130:1: Out of the deep have I called unto thee, O Lord.

Hymn

When Jesus left his Father's throne

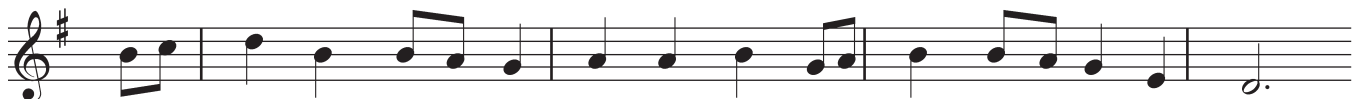
Kingsfold



1 When Je - sus left his Fa - ther's throne, he chose an hum - ble birth;
2 Sweet were his words and kind his look, when mo - thers round him pressed;
3 When Je - sus in - to Zi - on rode, the chil - dren sang a - round;



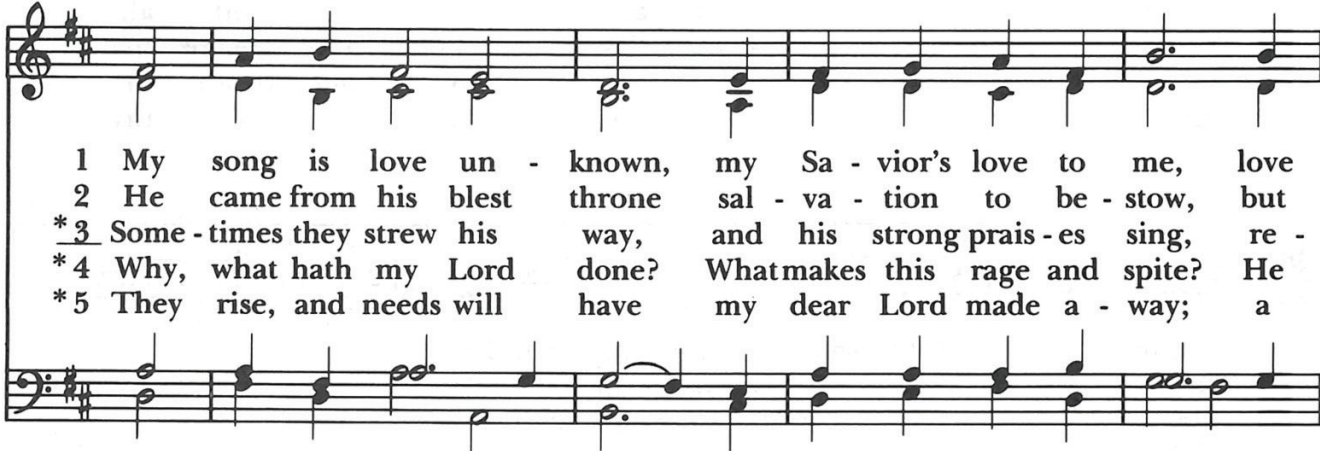
like us, un - hon - ored and un - known, he came to dwell on earth.
their in - fants in his arms he took, and on his bos - om blessed.
for joy they plucked the palms and strowed their gar - ments on the ground.



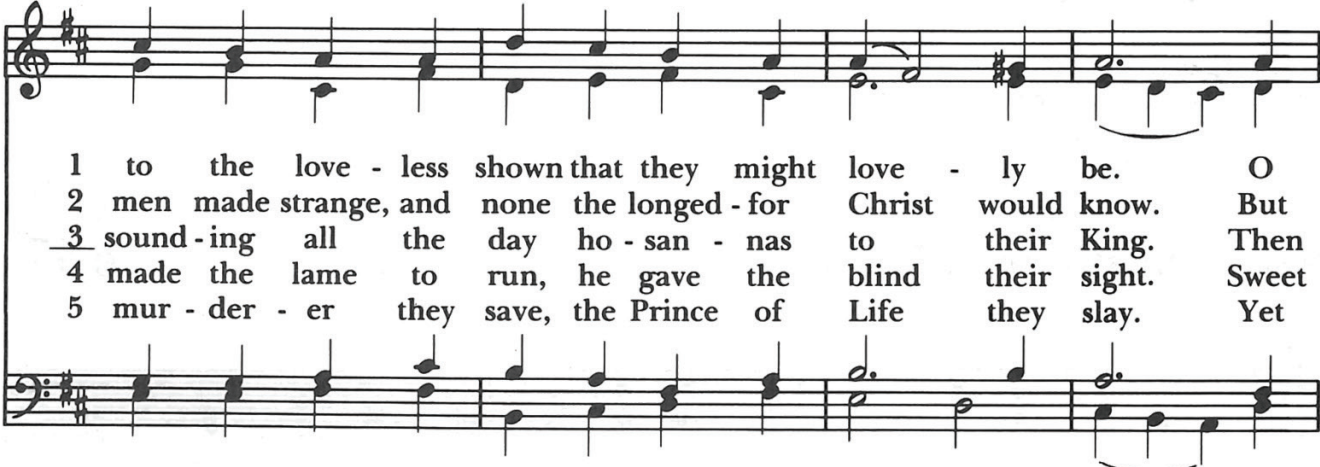
Like him may we be found be - low, in wis - dom's path of peace;
Safe from the world's al - lur - ing harms, be - neath his watch - ful eye,
Ho - san - na our glad voic - es raise, ho - san - na to our King!



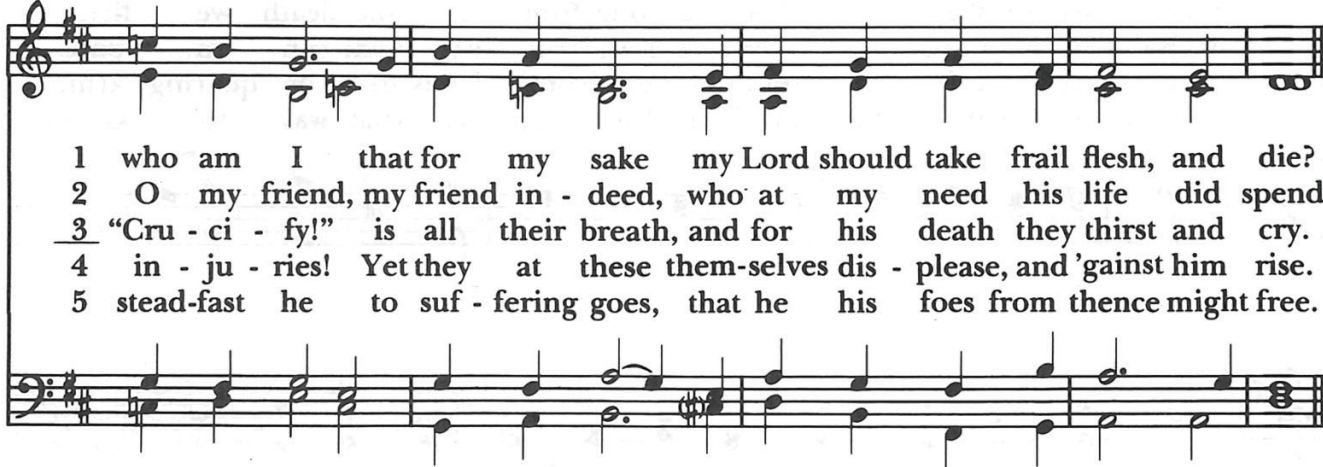
like him in grace and know - ledge grow as years and strength in - crease.
thus in the cir - cle of his arms may we for ev - er lie.
Should we for - get our Sa - vior's praise, the stones them - selves would sing.

Unison or harmony


1 My song is love un - known, my Sa - vior's love to me, love
 2 He came from his blest throne sal - va - tion to be - stow, but
 *3 Some - times they strew his way, and his strong prais - es sing, re -
 *4 Why, what hath my Lord done? What makes this rage and spite? He
 *5 They rise, and needs will have my dear Lord made a - way; a



1 to the love - less shown that they might love - ly be. O
 2 men made strange, and none the longed - for Christ would know. But
 3 sound - ing all the day ho - san - nas to their King. Then
 4 made the lame to run, he gave the blind their sight. Sweet
 5 mur - der - er they save, the Prince of Life they slay. Yet



1 who am I that for my sake my Lord should take frail flesh, and die?
 2 O my friend, my friend in - deed, who at my need his life did spend.
 3 "Cru - ci - fy!" is all their breath, and for his death they thirst and cry.
 4 in - ju - ries! Yet they at these them-selves dis - please, and 'gainst him rise.
 5 stead-fast he to suf - fering goes, that he his foes from thence might free.

*6 In life no house, no home
 my Lord on earth might have;
 in death no friendly tomb
 but what a stranger gave.
 What may I say?
 Heaven was his home;
 but mine the tomb
 wherein he lay.

7 Here might I stay and sing,
 no story so divine:
 never was love, dear King,
 never was grief like thine.
 This is my friend,
 in whose sweet praise
 I all my days
 could gladly spend.

Words: Samuel Crossman (1624-1683), alt.

Music: *Love Unknown*, John Ireland (1879-1962)

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LITURGY OF THE WORD

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins;
People **His mercy endures for ever. Amen**

Collect for Purity

Celebrant 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.

Kyrie *sung by the choir*

Collegium Regale

Herbert Howells

Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting Father, you have given the Holy Spirit to abide with us for ever: Bless, we pray, with his grace and presence, the bishops and other clergy and the laity here (or now, or soon to be) assembled in your Name, that your Church, being preserved in true faith and godly discipline, may fulfill all the mind of him who loved it and gave himself for it, your Son Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The people sit.

The First Reading

Isaiah 58:1–9a

Lector A Reading from the Book of Isaiah.

Shout out, do not hold back! Lift up your voice like a trumpet! Announce to my people their rebellion, to the house of Jacob their sins. Yet day after day they seek me and delight to know my ways, as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness and did not forsake the ordinance of their God; they ask of me righteous judgments, they delight to draw near to God. “Why do we fast, but you do not see? Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?” Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day, and oppress all your workers. Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight and to strike with a wicked fist. Such fasting as you do today will not make your voice heard on high. Is such the fast that I choose, a day to humble oneself? Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush, and to lie in sackcloth and ashes? Will you call this a fast, a day acceptable to the Lord? Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them, and not to hide yourself from your own kin? Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly; your vindicator shall go before you, the glory of the Lord shall be your rear guard. Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

All stand.



1. Have mercy in your goodness, Lord,
And in your grace forgive my sin;
Wash me from evil through and through,
Cleanse me, O Lord, without, within.

2. All my transgressions, Lord, I know;
I see my sin both day and night;
Against you only have I sinned,
Done what is evil in your sight.

3. So when you speak, Lord, it is just;
Your judgments all reveal the truth;
I have been wicked from my birth,
A sinner even from my youth.

4. For deep within you look for truth;
In secret make me understand;
Purge out my sin and I shall be
Pure as your holy law demands.

5. Tell me of joy and gladness, Lord,
And give my broken body easy;
Lord, hide your face from all my sin;
Blot out all my iniquities.

All sit.

The Epistle

Philippians 4:1-9

Lector A Reading from Paul's letter to the Philippians.

Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved. I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life. Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honourable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

All stand.

1 O Christ, the Word In - car - nate, O Wis - dom from on high,
 2 The Church from our dear Mas - ter re - ceived the word di - vine,
 3 O make thy Church, dear Sa - vior, a lamp of pur - est gold,

O Truth, un - changed, un - chang - ing, O Light of our dark sky;
 and still that light is lift - ed o'er all the earth to shine.
 to bear be - fore the na - tions thy true light as of old;

we praise thee for the ra - diance that from the scrip - ture's page,
 It is the chart and com - pass that o'er life's surg - ing sea,
 O teach thy wan - dering pil - grims by this their path to trace,

a lan - tern to our foot - steps, shines on from age to age.
 mid mists and rocks and quick - sands, still guides, O Christ, to thee.
 till, clouds and dark - ness end - ed, they see thee face to face.

Words: William Walsham How (1823-1897), alt. Music: *Munich*, melody from *Neu-vermehrtes und zu Übung Christl. Gottseligkeit eingerichtetes Meiningisches Gesangbuch*, 1693; adapt. and harm. Felix Mendelssohn (1807-1847).

Deacon

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

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

As Jesus sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, “Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?” But when he heard this, he said, “Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. Go and learn what this means, ‘I desire mercy, not sacrifice.’ For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners.” Then the disciples of John came to him, saying, “Why do we and the Pharisees fast often, but your disciples do not fast?” And Jesus said to them, “The wedding guests cannot mourn as long as the bridegroom is with them, can they? The days will come when the bridegroom is taken away from them, and then they will fast. No one sews a piece of unshrunk cloth on an old cloak, for the patch pulls away from the cloak, and a worse tear is made. Neither is new wine put into old wineskins; otherwise, the skins burst, and the wine is spilled, and the skins are destroyed; but new wine is put into fresh wineskins, and so both are preserved.”

Deacon

The Gospel of the Lord.

*People***Praise to you, Lord Christ.****The Sermon***The Bishop of Arkansas***The Nicene Creed***Said by all, standing*

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. Amen.

The Prayers of the People.*The people kneel or stand. The leader says**Leader*

For the church and for all creation, we pray to you, Lord God, saying: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader

Blessed are the poor in spirit; theirs is the dominion of heaven.

And so we pray: Unite the church, guide our Presiding Bishop Michael, our Bishop John, and all the clergy and people in the Episcopal Church in Arkansas; let us show the world the love of Jesus. We pray to you, Lord God.

*People***Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Blessed are the pure in heart; they shall see God.
And so we pray: Give your people the will and the courage to value service above all lesser goods. Be present with the delegates to this convention. Teach us in all things to seek first your honor and glory. We pray to you, Lord God.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Blessed are the peacemakers, God's own children.
And so we pray: Bring peace to the world, security to the nations, and safety to the cities. Guide our president Joseph, our governor Sarah, and all those in positions of public trust, that they may serve justice and promote the dignity and freedom of every person. We pray to you, Lord God.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.
And so we pray: Remove us from prejudice and injustice, and raise up among us those who will labor for the good of all whom you have made. We pray to you, Lord God.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy.
And so we pray: Be present with those who are sick, imprisoned, or in distress; make us quick to love and serve our neighbors. We pray to you, Lord God.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Rejoice and be glad, their reward is great in heaven.
And so we pray: We remember all who have witnessed to your love with their lives; give us strength to testify to Christ before the rulers of our own day. In particular we remember those who have served in the Episcopal Church in Arkansas.

The necrology is read.

We pray to you, Lord God.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

The bishop concludes with this collect.

Everliving God, whose will it is that all should come to you through your Son Jesus Christ: Inspire our witness to him, that all may know the power of his forgiveness and the hope of his resurrection; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Confession of Sin

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.

The Bishop, stands and says

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 people stand.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Then all may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

During the Offertory Anthem, representatives of the congregation bring the people's offerings of bread and wine to the deacon or celebrant. Please stand when the offering is brought forward

Anthem

Rejoice in the Lord alway

Henry Purcell

Rejoice in the Lord alway; and again I say, Rejoice.

Let your moderation be known unto all men. The Lord is at hand.

Be careful for nothing; but in everything by prayer and supplication

with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God.

And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

Text: Philippians 4:4-7

Soloists: Carolina Kipnis, John Willis, Alan Rackley

The Great Thanksgiving

The people stand.

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 him thanks and praise.**

Celebrant 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 Lord; who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus and Benedictus *sung by the choir*

Collegium Regale

Herbert Howells

Holy, holy, holy

Lord God of Hosts.

Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.

Glory be to thee, O Lord most High

Blessed is he that cometh

in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The people stand or kneel.

Celebrant

Holy and gracious Father: 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 Father 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:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his 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 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 for ever. **Amen.**

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

People and Celebrant

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

A period of silence is kept.

Agnus Dei *sung by the choir*

Collegium Regale

Herbert Howells

Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

Celebrant

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The Administration of Holy Communion

Ushers will assist in directing the flow of communicants. Please let an usher know if you need Holy Communion brought to you.

Motet

*Te lucis ante terminum,
Rerum Creator, poscimus,
Ut pro tua clementia,
Sis praesul et custodia.

Procul recedant somnia,
Et noctium phantasmata:
Hostemque nostrum comprime,
Ne polluantur corpora.

Praesta, Pater piissime,
Patrique compar Unice,
Cum Spiritu Paraclito,
Regnans per omne saeculum. Amen.*

Text: Anonymous 5th- or 6th-century evening hymn

Evening Hymn

Henry Balfour Gardiner

*Before the ending of the day,
Creator of the world, we pray
That with thy wonted favor, Thou
Would'st be our guard and keeper now.

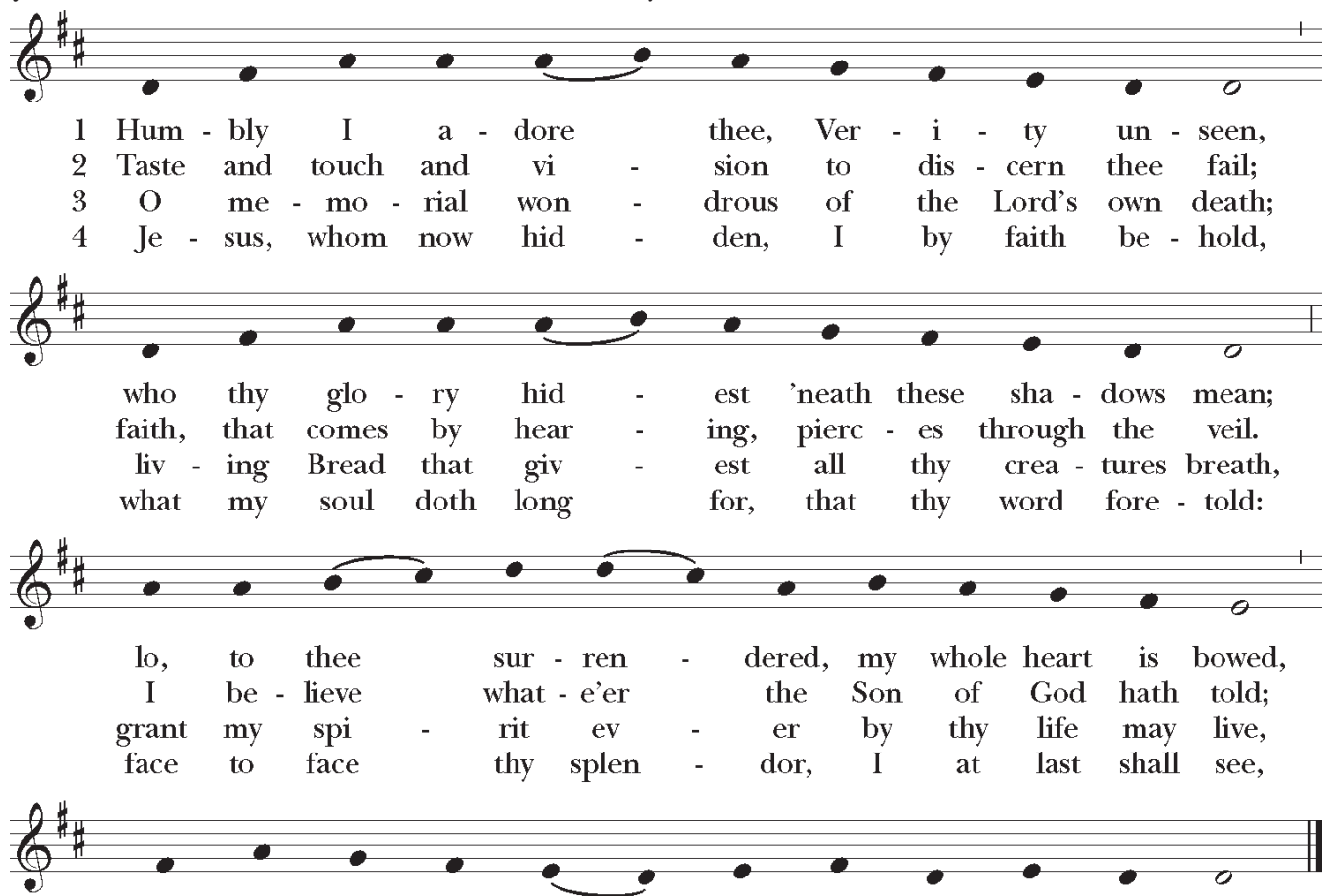
From all ill dreams defend our eyes,
From nightly fears and fantasies;
Tread under foot our ghostly foe,
That no pollution we may know.

O Father, that we ask be done,
Through Jesus Christ, Thine only Son;
Who, with the Holy Ghost and Thee,
Shall live and reign eternally. Amen.*

Hymn

Humbly I adore thee

Adoro devote



1 Hum - bly I a - dore thee, Ver - i - ty un - seen,
2 Taste and touch and vi - sion to dis - cern thee fail;
3 O me - mo - rial won - drous of the Lord's own death;
4 Je - sus, whom now hid - den, I by faith be - hold,

who thy glo - ry hid - est 'neath these sha - dows mean;
faith, that comes by hear - ing, pierc - es through the veil.
liv - ing Bread that giv - est all thy crea - tures breath,
what my soul doth long for, that thy word fore - told:

lo, to thee sur - ren - dered, my whole heart is bowed,
I be - lieve what - e'er the Son of God hath told;
grant my spi - rit ev - er by thy life may live,
face to face thy splen - dor, I at last shall see,

tranced as it be - holds thee, shrined with - in the cloud.
what the Truth hath spo - ken, that for truth I hold.
to my taste thy sweet - ness nev - er - fail - ing give.
in the glo - rious vi - sion, bless - ed Lord, of thee.

The Postcommunion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

The Celebrant blesses the people.

Hymn

Take up your cross, the Savior said

Bourbon



1 Take up your cross, the Sa - vior said, if
2 Take up your cross, let not its weight fill
3 Take up your cross, heed not the shame, and
4 Take up your cross, then, in his strength, and
5 Take up your cross, and fol - low Christ, nor



1 you would my dis - ci - ple be; take up your cross with
2 your weak spi - rit with a - larm; his strength shall bear your
3 let your fool - ish heart be still; the Lord for you ac -
4 calm - ly ev - ery dan - ger brave: it guides you to a -
5 think till death to lay it down; for on - ly those who



1 will - ing heart, and hum - bly fol - low af - ter me.
2 spi - rit up, and brace your heart, and nerve your arm.
3 cept - ed death up - on a cross, on Cal - vary's hill.
4 bun - dant life and leads to vic - tory o'er the grave.
5 bear the cross may hope to wear the glo - rious crown.

Words: Charles William Everest (1814-1877), alt. Music: *Bourbon*, melody att. Freeman Lewis (1780-1859); harm. John Leon Hooker (b. 1944).

The Dismissal

Deacon Let us bless the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Final from Symphonie No. 3, Op. 28

Louis Vierne

PARTICIPATING TODAY

<i>Celebrant and Preacher</i>	The Rt. Rev. John T. W. Harmon
<i>Deacon</i>	The Rev. Cindy Fribourgh, <i>St. Margaret's, Little Rock</i>
<i>Eucharistic Ministers</i>	The Rev. Michael Briggs, <i>St. Bartholomew's, Fort Smith</i> The Rev. Canon Dr. Lisa Corry, <i>Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock</i> The Rev. Evan Garner, <i>St. Paul's, Fayetteville</i> The Rev. Brandon Haynes, <i>All Saints', Bentonville</i> The Very Rev. Amy Dafler Meaux, <i>Trinity Cathedral, Little Rock</i> The Rev. Natalie Molineaux, <i>Christ Church, Little Rock</i>
<i>Lectors</i>	Aric Bokker, <i>St. Stephen's, Horseshoe Bend</i> Reneillia Hampton, <i>St. Mark's, Jonesboro</i>
<i>Intercessor</i>	Ed Pat Wright, <i>St. John's, Helena-West Helena</i>
<i>Oblationers</i>	Dana Downes, <i>St. Michael's, Little Rock</i> Chris Yarberry, <i>St. Matthew's, Benton</i>
<i>Acolytes</i>	Cam Albert, Grace Albert, Gray Gibson, Jacob Meaux, Alex Wayland, Allison Tuite

Notes on the Notes: Tonight's choral music consists of three greatest hits of the Anglican repertoire: Howells' *Collegium Regale* Communion Service, Purcell's *Rejoice in the Lord alway*, and Gardiner's *Evening Hymn*.

Collegium Regale, often colloquially shortened to "Coll Reg," is Latin for "King's College" and indicates that a piece was written for the choir of King's College, Cambridge. Not surprisingly, numerous pieces by different composers have this designation, but Howells' "Coll Reg" works are the best known and most extensive, including canticles for Matins (Te Deum and Jubilate), a communion service (Kyrie, Gloria, etc.), and an evening service (Magnificat and Nunc dimittis).

Purcell's *Rejoice in the Lord alway* is a verse anthem scored for organ, strings, and choir. Tonight, the string parts will be played on the large organ and the actual organ part will be played on Trinity's new portative organ. A verse anthem is a type of anthem that alternates full-choir passages and verses for soloists.