



VOLUNTARY | Adagio from Sonata No. 1 in F Minor

Felix Mendelssohn (1809 -1847)

ENTRANCE HYMN | O worship the King, all glorious above (*Hanover*)

1 O wor - ship the King, all glo - rious a - bove!
2 O tell of his might! O sing of his grace!
3 The earth, with its store of won - ders un - told,
4 Thy boun - ti - ful care, what tongue can re - cite?
5 Frail chil - dren of dust, and fee - ble as frail,

1 O grate - ful - ly sing his power and his love!
2 Whose robe is the light, whose can - o - py space.
3 Al - might - y, thy power hath found - ed of old,
4 It breathes in the air; it shines in the light;
5 in thee do we trust, nor find thee to fail;

1 Our shield and de - fend - er, the An - cient of Days,
2 His char - iots of wrath the deep thun - der - clouds form,
3 hath stab - lished it fast by a change - less de - cree,
4 it streams from the hills, it de - scends to the plain,
5 thy mer - cies, how ten - der! how firm to the end!

1 pa - vil - ioned in splen - dor, and gird - ed with praise.
2 and dark is his path on the wings of the storm.
3 and round it hath cast, like a man - tle, the sea.
4 and sweet - ly dis - tills in the dew and the rain.
5 Our Ma - ker, De - fend - er, Re - deem - er, and Friend!

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

SONG OF PRAISE | *Trisagion* (Haywood, *Mass for Grace*)

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y, Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One,
Have mer - cy up - on us.

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of lyrics, and the second staff contains the melody for the second line. The lyrics are written below the notes.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE READING FROM THE HEBREW BIBLE | Genesis 2:18-24

A Reading from the book of Genesis.

¹⁸The LORD God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner." ¹⁹So out of the ground the LORD God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. ²⁰The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper as his partner. ²¹So the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. ²²And the rib that the LORD God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. ²³Then the man said,

"This at last is bone of my bones
and flesh of my flesh;
this one shall be called Woman,
for out of Man this one was taken."

²⁴Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL PSALM | Psalm 8

Remain seated.

¹O LORD our Governor, *
how exalted is your Name in all the world!
²**Out of the mouths of infants and children ***
your majesty is praised above the heavens.
³You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries, *
to quell the enemy and the avenger.
⁴**When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, ***
the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,
⁵What is man that you should be mindful of him? *
the son of man that you should seek him out?
⁶**You have made him but little lower than the angels; ***
you adorn him with glory and honor;
⁷You give him mastery over the works of your hands; *
you put all things under his feet:
⁸**All sheep and oxen, ***
even the wild beasts of the field,
⁹The birds of the air, the fish of the sea, *
and whatsoever walks in the paths of the sea.
¹⁰**O LORD our Governor, ***
how exalted is your Name in all the world!

SECOND READING | Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12

The people sit.

A Reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

¹Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, ²but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. ³He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, ⁴having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

^{2:5}Now God did not subject the coming world, about which we are speaking, to angels. ⁶But someone has testified somewhere,

“What are human beings that you are mindful of them,
or mortals, that you care for them?”

⁷You have made them for a little while lower than the angels;
you have crowned them with glory and honor,
⁸subjecting all things under their feet.”

Now in subjecting all things to them, God left nothing outside their control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to them, ⁹but we do see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

¹⁰It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. ¹¹For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to

call them brothers and sisters, ¹²saying,
“I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters,
in the midst of the congregation I will praise you.”

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL HYMN | Surely it is God who saves me (*Thomas Merton*)



1 Sure - ly it is God — who saves me; trust - ing him, I shall not
2 Make his deeds — known to the peo - ples; tell out his ex - alt - ed



fear. For the Lord de - fends and shields me and his sav - ing
Name. Praise the Lord, who has done great things; all his works his



help is near. So re - jice as you draw wa - ter from sal -
might pro - claim. Zi - on, lift your voice in sing - ing; for with



va - tion's liv - ing spring; in the day of your de -
you has come to dwell, in your ve - ry midst, the



liv - erance thank the Lord, his mer - cies sing.
great and Ho - ly One of Is - ra - el.

THE HOLY GOSPEL | Mark 10:2-16

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

²Some Pharisees came, and to test him they asked, “Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?” ³He answered them, “What did Moses command you?” ⁴They said, “Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her.” ⁵But Jesus said to them, “Because of your hardness of heart he wrote this commandment for you. ⁶But from the beginning of creation, ‘God made them male and female. ⁷For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, ⁸and the two shall become one flesh.’ So they are no longer two, but one flesh. ⁹Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate.”

¹⁰Then in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. ¹¹He said to them, “Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; ¹²and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery.”

¹³People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. ¹⁴But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, “Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. ¹⁵Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it.” ¹⁶And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON | The Rev. Robert C. Laird

THE CREED

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

All remain standing.

God never ceases to pour upon us the abundance of mercy. In thanksgiving we respond with gratitude by saying, “Hear us, O Spirit of Truth.”

In thanksgiving for God’s infinite creation, the work of divine hands that shaped the universe and breathed life into creatures of clay; the mystery of changing seasons and the unending beauty of an expanding universe; may we cherish these marvelous and holy gifts and guard them for generations to come; for this we pray. **Hear us, O Spirit of Truth.**

In thanksgiving for the gift of the Word made flesh, Jesus, through whom we see the Father’s face, and by whom we are called to reflect God’s compassion to the poor, his forgiveness to those who have departed from his ways, and his embrace of those who return to his love; for this we pray. **Hear us, O Spirit of Truth.**

That our hearts may be fertile soil for the liberating commandments of God, which guide our footsteps in spite of our desires, and reveal a sure compass when we have lost our way; for this we pray. **Hear us, O Spirit of Truth.**

That our friendships and relationships may be nurtured by mutual affection and joy, communication and forgiveness, and a common trust in the eternal love of the triune God; for this we pray. **Hear us, O Spirit of Truth.**

That we may give special honor to our children and young people, providing for their formation as lively and informed followers of Jesus, and welcoming them to the Holy Meal of God’s kingdom; for this we pray. **Hear us, O Spirit of Truth.**

That the faithful departed may join in the blessed company of all the saints; for this we pray. **Hear us, O Spirit of Truth.**

Knit together through the liberating waters of baptism, and united as a baptizing community, we continue our prayers.

Prayers are offered for the Anglican & Diocesan cycles of prayer, and for our parish prayer list.

The Presider concludes the prayers with a collect.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence may be kept.

**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 Priest stands and says

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

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

OFFERTORY HYMN | Joyful, joyful, we adore thee (*Hymn to Joy*)

1 Joy - ful, joy - ful, we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love;
2 All thy works with joy sur-round thee, earth and heaven re - flect thy rays,
3 Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, ev - er bless - ing, ev - er blest,

hearts un - fold like flowers be - fore thee, prais - ing thee, their sun a - bove.
stars and an - gels sing a - round thee, cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.
well - spring of the joy of liv - ing, o - cean - depth of hap - py rest!

Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness; drive the dark of doubt a - way;
Field and for - est, vale and moun - tain, bloom - ing mea - dow, flash - ing sea,
Thou our Fa - ther, Christ our Bro - ther: all who live in love are thine;

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It features three systems of music. Each system consists of a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is one sharp (F#), and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are printed below the vocal line of each system.

giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, fill us with the light of day.
 chant - ing bird and flow - ing foun - tain, call us to re - joice in thee.
 teach - us how to love each o - ther, lift us to the joy di - vine.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
 heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry, Ho - san - na in the high - est.
 Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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 Mary, the God-bearer; [with _____]; with John, the patron of this house, and 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

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 | Whoever comes to me (*Haywood*)

Who-ev - er comes to me shall not hun - ger and

who - ev - er be - lieves in me shall nev - er ___ thirst.

The Gifts of God for the People of God.
Holy Things for Holy People.

A PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

Those who are unable to receive communion physically during the liturgy may offer this prayer for spiritual communion, privately to themselves, while the Presider receives the bread and wine.

In union, blessed Jesus, with the faithful gathered at every altar of your Church where your blessed body and blood are offered this day, and remembering particularly my own parish and those worshiping with me this morning, I long to 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.

And particularly for the blessings given me (*specific blessings may be listed*)... I believe that you are truly present in the holy sacrament, and, since I cannot at this time receive communion, I pray you to come into my heart. I unite myself with you and embrace you with all my heart, my soul, and my mind. Let nothing separate me from you; let me serve you in this life until, by your grace, I come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

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 Christ,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Savior.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & THANKSGIVINGS

BLESSING OF ANIMALS

BLESSING

The Presider blesses the people, who respond Amen.

DISMISSAL

The Deacon dismisses the people, who respond Thanks be to God.

OUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR Alexa • Konnie A. • Cathy B. • Carol B. • Dorn B. • George B. • Ildi B. • Judy B. • Jaime C. • Jesse C. • John C. • Scott C. • Don D. • Elaine D. • Shirley D. • Elora • Claudia F. • Mary Ellen F. • Pat F. • Candy G. • Charlotte Grace • Doreen G. • Kathleen G. • Nancy G. • Jackie H. • Joylene H. • Indie • Damien J. • David J. • Jordie • Katherine J. • Mary K. • Jean L. • Ray L. • James M. • Rebecca M. • T.F. M. • Kevin O. • Ann Marie P. • Mary Catherine P. • Sarah P. • Beth R. • Margaret R. • Richard R. • Chris S. • Jan Marie S. • Olivia S. • Terralyn • Gloria W-S.

WE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE WHO HAVE DIED especially Keith Laws, Diane Russell, and Sharon Wallace

WE PRAY FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS SERVING IN THE ARMED SERVICES Ruby Edwards, Brendan Fallon, Shannon Fallon, Christopher Hagen, Brett Johnson, Jon Kidder, Simon Kidder, Jessie Leonard, Lissy Slezak, Dylan Smith, Richie Rainier

WORSHIP LEADERS The Rev. Robert C. Laird, *presider* • The Rev. Terri Lolcama, *deacon* • James French, *organist* • Melissa Minjares, *lector* • Mary Ann Mahurin, Nicki Weekes, and Larrel O'Keefe, *altar guild*; Lee Mohler, *audio & video*

SENDING HYMN *Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us (Dulce carmen)*

1 Lead us, heaven - ly Fa - ther, lead us o'er the world's tem -
 2 Sa - vior, breathe for - give - ness o'er us; all our weak - ness
 3 Spi - rit of our God, de - scend - ing, fill our hearts with

pes - tuous sea; guard us, guide us, keep us, feed us,
 thou dost know; thou didst tread this earth be - fore us;
 heaven - ly joy; love with ev - ery pas - sion blend - ing,

for we have no help but thee, yet pos - ses - sing
 thou didst feel its keen - est woe; yet un - fear - ing,
 plea - sure that can nev - er cloy; thus pro - vid - ed,

ev - ery bless - ing, if our God our Fa - ther be.
 per - se - ver - ing, to thy pas - sion thou didst go.
 par - doned, guid - ed, noth - ing can our peace des - troy.

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