



The Tenth Sunday After Pentecost,  
Proper 15, Year C  
Holy Eucharist, Rite II  
Sunday, August 17, 2025, 10:00 am

The Rev. Dr. Pamela Stevens  
The Rev. Deacon Skip Bushee

Malcolm Xiellie, Guest Musician

St. Peter's Episcopal Church, Redwood City  
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Prelude

Piano voluntary

The Processional hymn

Let all mortal flesh keep silence

Hymnal 1982 #324

*For the processional hymn, the people stand and face the back of the sanctuary as the service begins, gradually turning their bodies to face the cross as it moves to the chancel.*

*Traditionally, the people bow to the cross as it passes.*

*The service continues on the following page.*

**Please gather for a time of fellowship  
on the patio following the service,  
when we will celebrate a major milestone in the life of St.  
Peter's, to be shared during announcements.**





1 Let all mor - tal flesh keep si - lence, and with fear and  
2 King of kings, yet born of Ma - ry, as of old on  
3 Rank on rank the host of hea - ven spreads its van-guard  
4 At his feet the six - winged ser - aph; cher - u - bim with



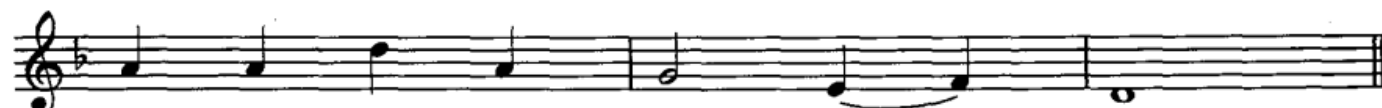
trem - bling stand; pon - der noth - ing earth - ly -  
earth he stood, Lord of lords in hu - man  
on the way, as the Light of Light de -  
sleep - less eye, veil their fa - ces to the



mind - ed, for with bless - ing in his hand  
ves - ture, in the Bo - dy and the Blood  
scend - eth from the realms of end - less day,  
Pres - ence, as with cease - less voice they cry,



Christ our God to earth de - scend - eth,  
he will give to all the faith - ful  
that the powers of hell may va - nish  
"Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!"



our full hom - age to de - mand.  
his own self for heaven - ly food.  
as the dark - ness clears a way.  
Al - le - lu - ia, Lord Most High!"

## The Opening Acclamation

*Celebrant*

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

*People*

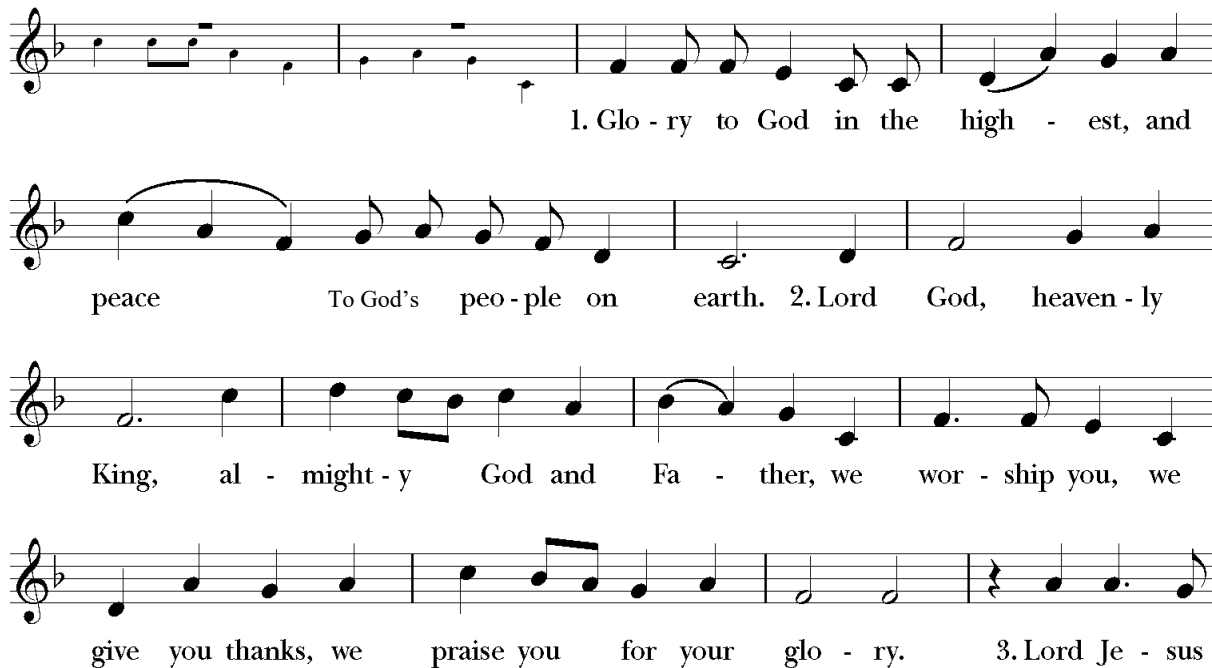
And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

*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.**

## The Gloria

Powell, *Hymnal 1982* #S-280



1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and  
peace To God's peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly  
King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we  
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus

*The Gloria continues on the following page.*

Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you  
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy  
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -  
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,  
you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most  
High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the  
glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

### The Collect of the Day

*a "Collect" (CALL-ect) is a prayer said by one person on behalf of the entire gathering*

*Celebrant*

The Lord be with you.

*People*

And also with you.

*Celebrant*

Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## **The Liturgy of the Word**

*Celebrant*

Let us be seated for the lessons

### **The Lesson From the Old Testament**

**Isaiah 5:1-7**

*Lector*

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah

Let me sing for my beloved  
my love-song concerning his vineyard:

My beloved had a vineyard  
on a very fertile hill.

He dug it and cleared it of stones,  
and planted it with choice vines;

he built a watchtower in the midst of it,  
and hewed out a wine vat in it;

he expected it to yield grapes,  
but it yielded wild grapes.

And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem  
and people of Judah,

judge between me  
and my vineyard.

What more was there to do for my vineyard  
that I have not done in it?

When I expected it to yield grapes,  
why did it yield wild grapes?

And now I will tell you  
what I will do to my vineyard.

I will remove its hedge,  
and it shall be devoured;

I will break down its wall,  
and it shall be trampled down.  
I will make it a waste;  
it shall not be pruned or hoed,  
and it shall be overgrown with briers and thorns;  
I will also command the clouds  
that they rain no rain upon it.  
For the vineyard of the Lord of hosts  
is the house of Israel,  
and the people of Judah  
are his pleasant planting;  
he expected justice,  
but saw bloodshed;  
righteousness,  
but heard a cry!

The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

## The Response

Psalms 80:1-2, 8-18

*The Lector and the People will read responsively (marked by an asterisk \*).*

1 Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock; \*  
**shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim.**

2 In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh, \*  
**stir up your strength and come to help us.**

8 You have brought a vine out of Egypt; \*  
**you cast out the nations and planted it.**

9 You prepared the ground for it; \*  
**it took root and filled the land.**

10 The mountains were covered by its shadow \*  
**and the towering cedar trees by its boughs.**

- 11 You stretched out its tendrils to the Sea \*  
**and its branches to the River.**
- 12 Why have you broken down its wall, \*  
**so that all who pass by pluck off its grapes?**
- 13 The wild boar of the forest has ravaged it, \*  
**and the beasts of the field have grazed upon it.**
- 14 Turn now, O God of hosts, look down from heaven;  
behold and tend this vine; \*  
**preserve what your right hand has planted.**
- 15 They burn it with fire like rubbish; \*  
**at the rebuke of your countenance let them perish.**
- 16 Let your hand be upon the man of your right hand, \*  
**the son of man you have made so strong for yourself.**
- 17 And so will we never turn away from you; \*  
**give us life, that we may call upon your Name.**
- 18 Restore us, O LORD God of hosts; \*  
**show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.**

**The Lesson from the Epistles:**

**Hebrews 11:29–12:2**

*Lector:*

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace.

And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets~ who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. Others suffered mocking



and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented- of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground.

Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect.

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

The Word of the Lord.

*People*

**Thanks be to God.**

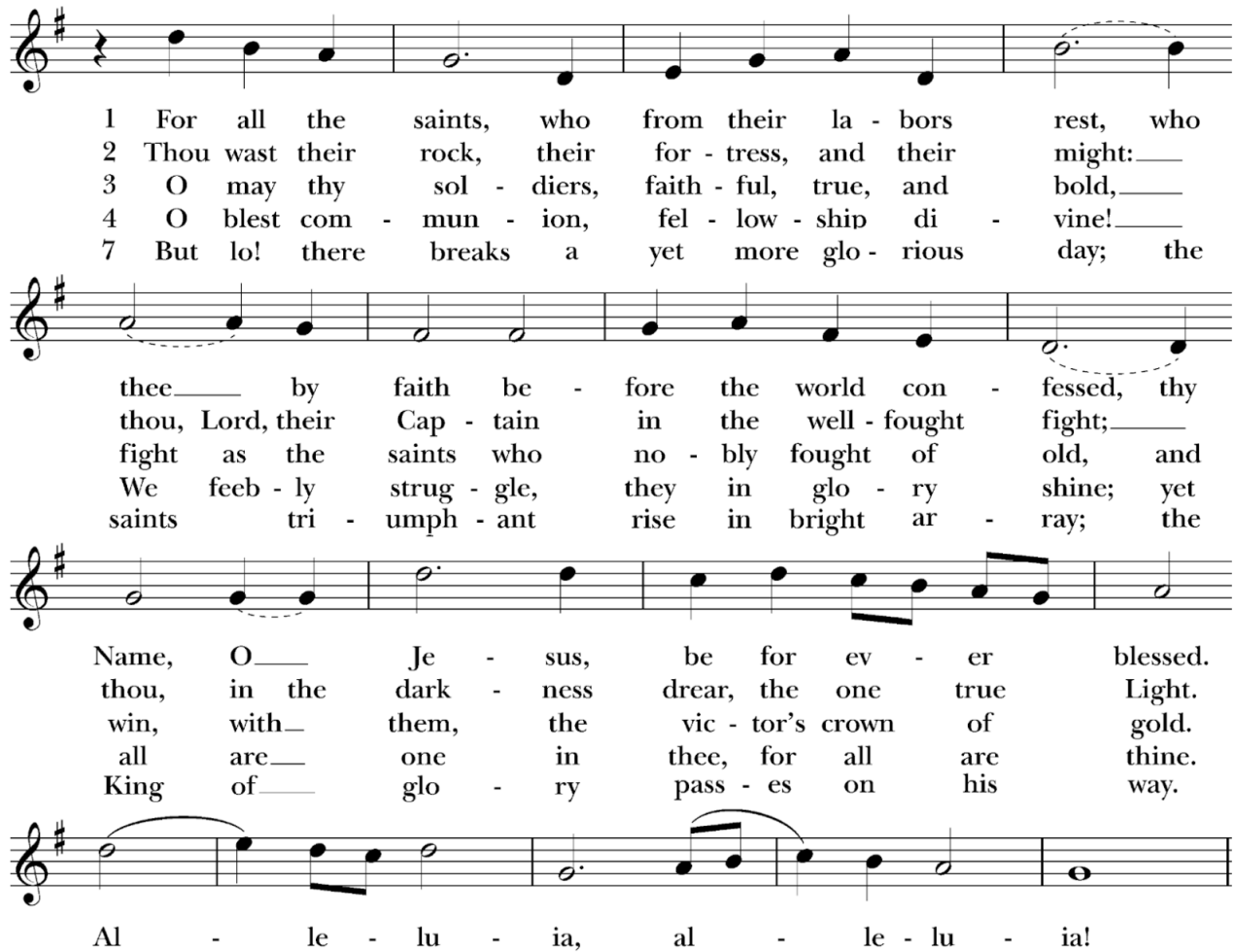
**The Gradual Hymn**

**For all the saints, v 1-4, 7**

*Hymnal 1982 # 287*

*The People stand for the Gradual hymn. A member of the clergy carries the Gospel among the People for the Proclamation. The People turn to face the Gospel.*

*The service continues on the following page.*



1 For all the saints, who from their labors rest, who  
 2 Thou wast their rock, their for - tress, and their might:—  
 3 O may thy sol - diers, faith - ful, true, and bold,—  
 4 O blest com - mun - ion, fel - low - ship di - vine!—  
 7 But lo! there breaks a yet more glo - rious day; the  
 thee— by faith be - fore the world con - fessed, thy  
 thou, Lord, their Cap - tain in the well - fought fight;—  
 fight as the saints who no - bly fought of old, and  
 We feeb - ly strug - gle, they in glo - ry shine; yet  
 saints tri - umph - ant rise in bright ar - ray; the  
 Name, O— Je - sus, be for ev - er blessed.  
 thou, in the dark - ness drear, the one true Light.  
 win, with— them, the vic - tor's crown of gold.  
 all are— one in thee, for all are thine.  
 King of— glo - ry pass - es on his way.  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Traditionally, as the clergy member says “The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ” at the beginning of the proclamation, the people may make three small crosses over the forehead, lips, and heart.

## The Gospel

Luke 12:49–56

Clergy:

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Luke

People:

Glory to you, Lord Christ

Clergy:

Jesus said, "I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; they will be divided:

father against son  
and son against father,  
mother against daughter  
and daughter against mother,  
mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law  
and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law."

He also said to the crowds, "When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, 'It is going to rain'; and so it happens. And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, 'There will be scorching heat'; and it happens. You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?"

The Gospel of the Lord.

*People*

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**The Sermon**

**The Rev. Dr. Pamela Stevens**

*The People remain standing until they are invited to be seated by the preacher.*

**The Nicene Creed**

*The People stand.*

**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 [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 and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son [She] is worshiped and glorified.  
[She] 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

*Common Worship,*  
Church of England, p. 497, adapted

*A moment of silence follows.*

*Intercessor*

Let us pray for God to fill us with the Spirit.

Generous God, we thank you for the power of your Holy Spirit. We ask that we and those who lead among us may be strengthened to serve you better, remembering especially **Sean our Presiding Bishop, and Austin our Bishop, Pamela our priest, Skip, our deacon; Nancy, Dianne, Paul, Teri, RuthAnne, Elaine, and Deborah** our vestry members; and all who serve in the church. We lift up those in our diocese who are serving on the **Strategic Vision Team**, that their work may be fruitful.

*People*

**Lord, bless us and fill us with your Spirit.**

*Intercessor*

We thank you for the wisdom of your Holy Spirit. We ask you to grant us insight to understand your will. Bless with discernment and moderation those who bear the authority of government.

*People*

**Lord, bless us and fill us with your Spirit.**

*Intercessor*

We thank you for the peace of your Holy Spirit. We ask you to keep us confident of your love wherever you call us. Encourage and protect all those working today for the good of their communities and the health of the world.

*People*

**Lord, bless us and fill us with your Spirit.**

*Intercessor*

We thank you for the healing of your Holy Spirit. We ask you to bring reconciliation and wholeness wherever there is division, sickness, and sorrow. We pray for all those locally and around the world affected by war, violence, and oppression; and for those who have commended themselves to our prayers, especially **Shannon Walker, Andrea, the members of the Stellamos Youth Chorus, the children in the Kumu Ola youth choir, Jose Padilla, Irene A Znaor, Jenny Cornell, Karina, Ellen Berning, Jim Redman, Alejandro Mejía, Joanne Runyeon, Eva Mejía, Wendy Dickman, Jerry Berning, Fr. Vern Jones, David Elms, Joan Brumleve, and those we name now, silently or aloud.**

*The People reflect on those whom know they who face challenges, and offer their names for prayer.*

*Intercessor*

We lift these to your care, O God.

*People*

**Lord, bless us and fill us with your Spirit.**

*Intercessor*

We thank you for the comfort of your Holy Spirit. We pray for all who have died, especially **The Rev. Beth Phillips, a priest of our own diocese here on the Peninsula, who died this week in an auto accident; Moshe, Diane Robertson, David Malm, and Nancy Stevens, whose remains will soon arrive at their final resting place here at St. Peter's; and those we name now, silently or aloud.**

*The People reflect and may offer additional names for prayer.*

*Intercessor*

that they may rest with you in eternal light and love.

*People*

**Lord, bless us and fill us with your Spirit.**

*Intercessor*

We thank you for the gifts of your Holy Spirit. We ask you to equip us for the work which you have given us. Commit this congregation afresh to its core values of faith, inclusiveness, compassion, social justice, and outreach.

*People*

**Lord, bless us and fill us with your Spirit.**

*Intercessor*

We thank you for the fruit of your Holy Spirit. We ask you to reveal the love of Jesus through us in our lives. Lord, bless us and fill us with your Spirit. We thank you for the breath of your Holy Spirit, given us by the risen Lord. We ask you to keep the whole Church, living and departed, in the joy of eternal life.

*People*

**Lord, bless us and fill us with your Spirit.**

*Silence*

*Celebrant*

Generous and loving God, you sent your Holy Spirit upon your Messiah at the river Jordan, and upon the disciples where you found them. Fill us with your Spirit; hear our prayer. **Amen.**

*People*

**Amen.**

**The Confession and Absolution**

*(the people remain standing)*

*Celebrant*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*A moment of silence follows.*

*Celebrant and People*

**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.**

*Celebrant*

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**

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People*     **And also with you.**

*The People exchange a sign of the peace, typically hands in prayer position with a small bow saying, "Peace," or some other greeting such as "May the Peace of the Lord be with you."*

## **Observances of Life Events**

*The Celebrant will invite the congregation to offer prayers for blessings of those with birthdays and anniversaries with the following prayers.*

*For Birthdays*

Watch over your *children*, O Lord, as *their* days increase; bless and guide *them* wherever they may be. Strengthen *them* when *they* stand; comfort *them* when discouraged or sorrowful; raise *them* up if *they* fall; and in *their* heart may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of *their* life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*For Marriage Anniversaries*

O God, You have so consecrated the covenant of marriage that in it is represented the spiritual unity between Christ and his Church; Send therefore your blessing upon these your servants N. and N., that they may so love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness, that their home may be a haven of blessing and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

*For Travelers*

O God, our heavenly Father, whose glory fills the whole creation, and whose presence we find wherever we go: Preserve those who travel [in particular \_\_\_\_\_]; surround them with your loving care; protect them from every danger; and bring them in safety to their journey's end; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **News and Announcements**

*The Sr. Warden will share the news of the day and upcoming events.*

## The Offertory

*The Celebrant will announce the commencement of the Offertory.*

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

*Ushers will pass the plate for an optional offering to the church for its mission and ministry. Thank you for your generosity.*

*Electronic donations are welcome:*



## The Offertory Hymn

**I want to walk as a child of the light**  
Hymnal 1982 #490

*The People remain seated for the hymn, then stand at its conclusion as the musician begins the Doxology and the gifts are presented at the altar.*

*The service continues on the following page.*



1 I want to walk as a child of the light.  
 2 I want to see — the bright-ness of God.  
 3 I'm look - ing for — the com - ing of Christ.

I want to fol - low Je - sus.  
 I want to look at Je - sus.  
 I want to be with Je - sus.

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

Lamb is the light of the ci - ty of God. *rit.*

*a tempo*

Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

The Doxology and the Presentation of Gifts

*The People stand.*

*The Doxology appears on the next page.*

\*3 Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise

God all crea - tures here be - low; praise God a - bove, ye

heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Amen

## The Great Thanksgiving

## Eucharistic Prayer B, BCP

*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 [God] thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant*

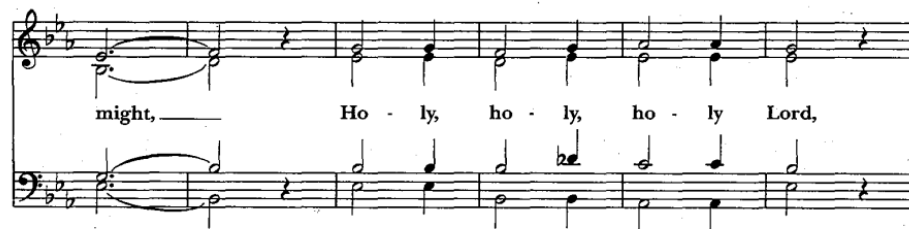
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

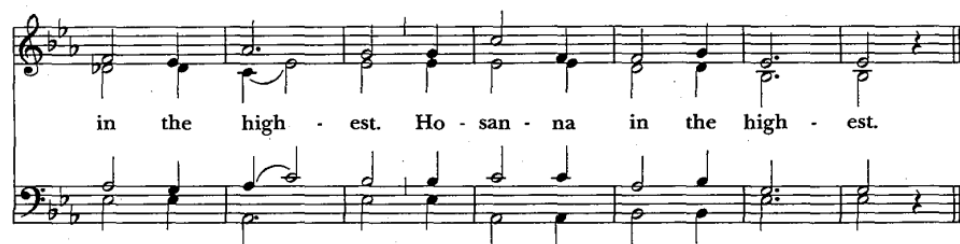
Through Jesus Christ our great High Priest; in whom we are built up as living stones of a holy temple, that we might offer before you a sacrifice of praise and prayer which is holy and pleasing in your sight.

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:

### The Sanctus

Holy, holy holy, Schubert, *Deutsche Messe*





*The people stand or may kneel. The Celebrant continues*

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

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*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with **St. Mary and St. Peter** and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. 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 has 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 Fraction

<i>Celebrant</i>	Lamb of God you take away the sins of the world.
<i>People</i>	Have mercy on us.
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<i>People</i>	Have mercy on us.
<i>Celebrant</i>	Lamb of God you take away the sins of the word.
<i>People</i>	Grant us peace.

*Celebrant*

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.

### The Administration of Communion

*At St. Peter's it is our practice is to receive the host, then dip (intinct) it into the wine before consuming it. Wine and grape juice are available, as is gluten-free host.*

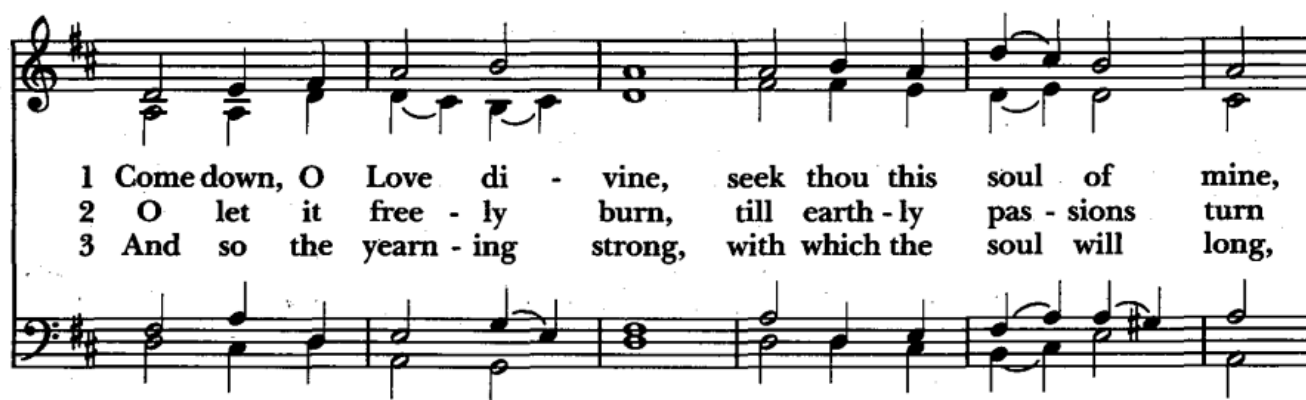
*The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words*

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. [Amen.]

The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. [Amen.]

### The Communion Hymn

**Come down O love divine**  
*Hymnal 1982 # 685*



1 Come down, O Love di - vine, seek thou this soul of mine,  
 2 O let it free - ly burn, till earth - ly pas - sions turn  
 3 And so the yearn - ing strong, with which the soul will long,



and vis - it it with thine own ar - dor glow - ing;  
 to dust and ash - es in its heat con - sum - ing;  
 shall far out - pass the power of hu - man tell - ing;



O Com - fort - er, draw near, with - in my heart ap - pear,  
 and let thy glo - rious light shine ev - er on my sight,  
 for none can guess its grace, till Love cre - ate a place



and kin - dle it, thy ho - ly flame be - stow - ing.  
 and clothe me round, the while my path il - lum - ing.  
 where - in the Ho - ly Spi - rit makes a dwell - ing.



## The Prayer After Communion

*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

*Celebrant*

May the blessing of God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you now and always.  
Amen.

## The Recessional Hymn

How firm a foundation ye saints of the Lord  
Hymnal 1982 # 636

*The altar party will recess, following the cross. The People, following the cross, turn to face the back of the sanctuary. The dismissal follows the hymn.*

*Descant*

5 "The soul that to Je - sus hath fled for re - pose,

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,

5 I will not, I will not de - sert to its foes;

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;

5 soul \_\_\_\_\_ to shake, no,

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,

5 I'll nev - er, no, nev - er, no, nev - er for - sake."

1 to you that for ref - uge to Je - sus have fled?  
 2 up - held by my right - eous, om - nip - o - 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, ne - ver for - sake."

### The Dismissal

*Clergy* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia.

*People:* **Thanks be to God Alleluia, Alleluia.**

## Upcoming Events at St. Peter's Redwood City

### **August 17, 2025, Sunday: St. Peter's Book Club will discuss Genesis Chapters 1-3**

- 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm
- Just read (or skim) the first three chapters of Genesis from any Bible and enjoy a discussion!
- We will appreciate the great storytelling and character development in these chapters.
- Participate via Zoom by clicking the link below:
  - [Book Club Zoom Link August 17, 2025 5:00 pm](#)
  - Meeting ID: 440 573 0041
  - Passcode: ELPqob

### **August 18, 2025, Monday: Building Trust as a Diocesan Community**

- The Session on Collectively Empowering takes place on Zoom 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm, with Bishop Austin
- Click to read [Bishop Austin's invitational letter >>](#)
- Register here: [registration link](#) or contact [info@diocal.org](mailto:info@diocal.org)



### **August 19, 2025, Tuesday: “Let’s get Real,” Deanery-wide discussion of church real estate on the Peninsula**

- 6:30 - 8:00 pm
- [JOIN HERE](#), Meeting ID 400 573 0041, Passcode ELPqob
- How will churches best discern their vocations through care and stewardship of real property?
- All are welcome to this discussion that we hope will be a deanery-wide task force and thought partnership on the challenges of maintaining and tending church real estate.

### **August 20, 2025, Wednesday: Deanery-wide outreach Program “Laundry Love” in collaboration with Samaritan House**

- Tom Walters at St. Matthew's San Mateo is leading efforts to coordinate a deanery-wide outreach program that will offer laundry and community for people in our community.
- Samaritan House will select the clients, and a local laundromat owner will also participate.
- In-person meeting Wednesday, August 20th at 7:00 pm in the Conference Room at St. Matthew's. All interested St. Peter's participants are welcome to attend to learn more about this shared outreach program.
- The proposed program will be one weekday evening per month, with duties shared across a team of enthusiastic volunteers from around the deanery! Help our neighbors and meet people!

### **August 22, 2025, Friday: Game Night**

- Note the new date, moved from August 15th! Meet in the parish hall at 6:00 pm for pot luck dinner—bring a dish or dessert to share.
- Games commence directly following dinner from among those at the church or among games people bring.. We usually wrap up by 9:00 pm.

### **September and October, Thursdays 2025: CAN YOU HELP NANCY IN THE OFFICE?**

- While Su is away, we need a helper in the office on Thursdays,
- Generally Nancy and Su come from 11 - 2pm.
- We handle mail and get things ready for the bookkeeper, and receive the flower delivery from Granara's.
- There are occasional phone calls and/or visitors.
- You can even bring something else to do when we're not busy!!!

Contact Nancy if you can help on an occasional Thursday in September and October. (650-592-5822, or [nancy1oliver@earthlink.net](mailto:nancy1oliver@earthlink.net) ) Or sign the clipboard at church!

### **September 10, 2025, Wednesday: Building Trust as a Diocesan Community**

- The Session on Sufficiency takes place on Zoom 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm, with Bishop Austin
- Click to [read Bishop Austin's invitational letter >>](#)
- Register here:



**September 14, 2025, Sunday: Care Kit Assembly During Coffee Hour**

- We will meet in the Parish Hall after the service to assemble Care Kits for our unhoused neighbors.
- This project takes about a half-hour; just show up and start packing!

**September 14, 2025, Sunday: Chamber Orchestra, 3:00 pm in the Sanctuary**

- Our own Dr. Jenny Cornell, founder of the New Millennium Chamber Orchestra, has arranged for an evening of performances by members of the orchestra.
- This is a great way to experience a wide variety of musical pieces and instrumental expressions.
- [Purchase tickets here](#)

**September 22, 2025, Monday: Building Trust as a Diocesan Community**

The Session on Belonging takes place on Zoom 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm, with Bishop Austin.

Click to [read Bishop Austin's invitational letter >>](#)

- Register here:



**2025 DIOCESAN CONVENTION Oct 17th- Zoom / Oct 18th - Grace Cathedral**

The 176th Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of California will take place on October 17 on Zoom and October 18 at Grace Cathedral from 8:00AM to 5:00PM. Our lay delegates are Mr. Paul Berning and Dr. Jenny Cornell. All

are welcome to attend. Keep up-to-date with all the new you need here on the convention website and make sure you're [signed up to receive DioCal News & Events](#) for weekly updates in the Convention section of the newsletter.