

St. Mary the Virgin

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The Right Reverend Anthony F. Rasch, Rector

The Rev. Deacon John Yeager, Assisting

The Sunday called Sexagesima or the second Sunday before Lent

and anticipation of the Feast of St. Matthias the Apostle (24 Feb)

23 February 2025

Choral Mass

Processional
Mannheim

Hymn 524

Congregational Church Music, 1853
adapted from Friedrich Filitz, 1847



1. God of grace and God of glo - ry, On thy peo - ple
2. Lo! the hosts of e - vil round us Scorn thy Christ, as -
3. Cure thy chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness, Bend our pride to
4. Set our feet on loft - y pla - ces; Gird our lives that



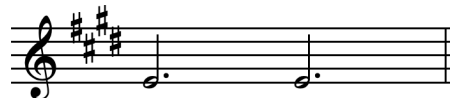
pour thy power; Crown thine an - cient Chur - ch's sto - ry;
sail his ways! From the fears that long have bound us
thy con - trol; Shame our wan - ton, sel - fish glad - ness,
they may be Ar - mored with all Christ - like gra - ces



Bring her bud to glo - rious flower. Grant us wis - dom,
Free our hearts to faith and praise: Grant us wis - dom,
Rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom,
In the fight to set men free. Grant us wis - dom,



grantus cou - rage, For the fa - cing of this hour.
grantus cou - rage, For the liv - ing of these days.
grantus cou - rage, Lest we miss thy king - dom's goal.
grantus cou - rage, That we fail not man nor thee.



A - men.
Harry Emerson Fosdick, 1930, alt.

Introit
Summary of the Law

Kyrie Eleison

Hymn 710
Healey Willan, 1928

Lord, have mer-cy up - on us. Lord, have mer-cy up - on us.

Lord, have mer-cy up - on us. Christ, have mer-cy up - on us.

Christ, have mer-cy up - on us. Christ, have mer-cy up - on us.

Lord, have mer-cy up - on us. Lord, have mer-cy up - on us.

Lord, have mer-cy up - on us.

Gloria in Excelsis

Hymn 739
Old Scottish Chant

Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards men.

We praise thee, we bless thee, we wor - ship thee,

we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glo - ry,

O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Al - migh - ty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa - - - ther,
 that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy up - on us.
 Thou that takest away the sins of the world, re - ceive our prayer.
 Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Fa-ther, have mercy up-on us.
 For thou on - ly art ho - ly; Thou on - ly art the Lord;
 Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho-ly Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Fa - ther.
 A - men.

Collect for Sexagesima Sunday

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O LORD God, who seest that we put not our trust in any thing that we do; Mercifully grant that by thy power we may be defended against all adversity; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Collect for St. Matthias the Apostle

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O ALMIGHTY God, who into the place of the traitor Judas didst choose thy faithful servant Matthias to be of the number of the twelve Apostles; Grant that thy Church, being always preserved from false Apostles, may be ordered and guided by faithful and true pastors; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Prayer for Our Country

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ALMIGHTY God, who hast given us this good land for our heritage; We humbly beseech thee that we may always prove ourselves a people mindful of thy favour and glad to do thy will. Bless our land with honourable industry, sound learning, and pure manners. Save us from violence, discord, and confusion; from pride and arrogancy, and from every evil way. Defend our liberties, and fashion into one united people the multitudes brought hither out of many kindreds and tongues. Endue with the spirit of wisdom those to whom in thy Name we entrust the authority of government, that there may be justice and peace at home, and that, through obedience to thy law, we may show forth thy praise among the nations of the earth. In the time of prosperity, fill our hearts with thankfulness, and in the day of trouble, suffer not our trust in thee to fail; all which we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Lesson

Isaiah 55:6-11

Seek ye the Lord while he may be found, call ye upon him while he is near: Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the Lord, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts. For as the rain cometh down, and the snow from heaven, and returneth not thither, but watereth the earth, and maketh it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower, and bread to the eater: So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it.

Psalm 113

Laudate, pueri

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PRAISE the LORD, ye servants; * O praise the Name of the LORD.

² Blessed be the Name of the LORD * from this time forth for evermore.

³ The LORD'S Name is praised * from the rising up of the sun unto the going down of the same.

⁴ The LORD is high above all nations, * and his glory above the heavens.

⁵ Who is like unto the LORD our God, that hath his dwelling so high, * and yet humbleth himself to behold the things that are in heaven and earth!

⁶ He taketh up the simple out of the dust, * and lifteth the poor out of the mire;

⁷ That he may set him with the princes, * even with the princes of his people.

⁸ He maketh the barren woman to keep house, * and to be a joyful mother of children.

Celebrant: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

All: As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be; world without end. Amen.

The Epistle

II Corinthians 11:19-31

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BRETHREN: Ye suffer fools gladly, seeing ye yourselves are wise. For ye suffer, if a man bring you into bondage, if a man devour you, if a man take of you, if a man exalt himself, if a man smite you on the face. I speak as concerning reproach, as though we had been weak. Howbeit whereinsoever any is bold, (I speak foolishly,) I am bold also. Are they Hebrews? so am I. Are they Israelites? so am I. Are they the seed of Abraham? so am I. Are they ministers of Christ? (I speak as a fool) I am more; in labours more abundant, in stripes above measure, in prisons more frequent, in deaths oft. Of the Jews five times received I forty stripes save one. Thrice was I beaten with rods, once was I stoned, thrice I suffered shipwreck, a night and a day I have been in the deep; in journeyings often, in perils of waters, in perils of robbers, in perils by mine own countrymen, in perils by the heathen, in perils in the city, in perils in the wilderness, in perils in the sea, in perils among false brethren; in weariness and painfulness, in watchings often, in hunger and thirst, in fastings often, in cold and nakedness. Beside those things that are without, that which cometh upon me daily, the care of all the churches. Who is weak, and I am not weak? who is offended, and I burn not? If I must needs glory, I will glory of the things which concern mine infirmities. The God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which is blessed for evermore, knoweth that I lie not.

Gradual and Alleluia



Glo - ry be to thee, O Lord.

AT that time; When much people were gathered together, and were come to him out of every city, Jesus spake by a parable: A sower went out to sow his seed: and as he sowed, some fell by the way-side; and it was trodden down, and the fowls of the air devoured it. And some fell upon a rock; and as soon as it was sprung up, it withered away, because it lacked moisture. And some fell among thorns; and the thorns sprang up with it, and choked it. And other fell on good ground, and sprang up, and bare fruit an hundredfold. And when he had said these things, he cried, He that hath ears to hear, let him hear. And his disciples asked him, saying, What might this parable be? And he said, Unto you it is given to know the mysteries of the kingdom of God: but to others in parables; that seeing they might not see, and hearing they might not understand. Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. Those by the way-side are they that hear; then cometh the devil, and taketh away the word out of their hearts, lest they should believe and be saved. They on the rock are they, which, when they hear, receive the word with joy; and these have no root, which for a while believe, and in time of temptation fall away. And that which fell among thorns are they, which, when they have heard, go forth, and are choked with cares and riches and pleasures of this life, and bring no fruit to perfection. But that on the good ground are they, which in an honest and good heart, having heard the word, keep it, and bring forth fruit with patience.



Praise - be to thee, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

I BELIEVE in one God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And of all things visible and invisible:

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God; Begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of very God; Begotten, not made; Being of one substance with the Father; By whom all things were made: Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, And was made man: And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried: And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures: And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father: And he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord, and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; Who spake by the Prophets: And I believe one Catholic and Apostolic Church: I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins: And I look for the Resurrection of the dead: And the Life of the world to come. *Amen.*

Announcements

Sermon Hymn

Hymn **407**

St. Hilda

Justin H. Knecht, 1799, and Edward Husband, 1871



1. O Je - sus, thou art stand - ing Out - side the fast - closed door,
2. O Je - sus, thou art knock - ing: And lo! that hand is scarred,
3. O Je - sus, thou art plead - ing In ac - cents meek and low:



In low - ly— pa - tience wait - ing To pass the thresh - old o'er:
And thorns thy brow en - cir - cle, And tears thy face have marred;
"I died for you, my chil - dren, And will ye treat me so?"



Shame on us, Christ - ian bro - thers, His Name and sign who bear,
O love that pass - eth know - ledge, So pa - tient - ly to— wait!
O Lord, with shame and sor - row We o - pen now the door:



O shame, thrice shame up - on us, To keep him stand - ing there! A - men.
O sin that hath no e - qual, So fast to bar the gate!
Dear Sa - viour, en - ter, en - ter, And leave us ne - ver - more.

William Walsham How, 1867

Sermon

Ken Kubo, Candidate for Holy Orders

Offertory Verse and Sentences

Offertory Hymn
Maryton

Hymn 572
H. Percy Smith, 1874



1. Hark, hark my soul! an - gel - ic songs are swell - ing
2. On - ward we go, for still we hear them sing - ing,
3. Far, far a - way, like bells at eve - ning peal - ing,
4. Rest comes at length, though life be long and drear - y,
5. An - gels, sing on! your faith - ful wa - tches keep - ing;



O'er earth's green fields and o - cean's wave-beat shore;
"Come, wea - ry souls, for Je - sus bids you come;"
The voice of Je - sus sounds o'er land and sea,
The day must dawn, and dark - some night be past;
Sing us sweet frag - ments of the songs a - bove;



How sweet the truth those bless - ed strains are tell - ing
And through the dark, its e - choes sweet - ly ring - ing,
And la - den souls, by thou - sands meek - ly steal - ing,
Faith's jour - neys end in wel - come to the wea - ry,
Till morn - ing's joy shall end the night of weep - ing,



Of that new life when sin shall be no more!
The mu - sic of the Gos - pel leads us home.
Kind Shep - herd, turn their wea - ry steps to thee.
And heav'n, the heart's true home, will come at last.
And life's long sha - dows break in cloud - less love.

Refrain



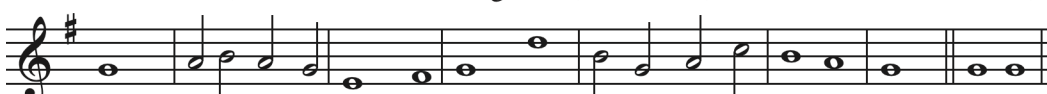
Angels of Je - sus, an - gels of light, Sing - ing to wel - come the pil - grims of the night.

Washington Gladden, 1879

Doxology (Hymnal 139, 1st verse)



Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; Praise him, all crea - tures here be - low;



Praise him above, ye heav'n - ly host: Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Amen.

Bidding Prayers

Orate, Fratres

Celebrant: Brethren, pray that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God the Father Almighty.

People: The Lord receive this sacrifice at thy hands, to the praise and glory of his Name; both to our benefit and that of all his holy Church. *Amen.*

Prayer for the Whole State of Christ's Church 74

General Confession 75

ALMIGHTY God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men; We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we, from time to time, most grievously have committed, By thought, word, and deed, Against thy Divine Majesty, Provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, And are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; The remembrance of them is grievous unto us; The burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may ever hereafter Serve and please thee In newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy Name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Absolution 76

The Comfortable Words 76

Sursum Corda 76

The musical score for 'Sursum Corda' is written in G minor (one flat) and 4/4 time. It consists of five staves of music. The lyrics are: 'The Lord be with you. And with thy spirit. Lift up your hearts. We lift them up unto the Lord. Let us give thanks unto our Lord God. It is meet and right so to do.' The score includes vocal parts for 'Priest' and 'All'.

Priest The Lord be with you. *All* And with thy spirit.

Priest Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them up unto the Lord.

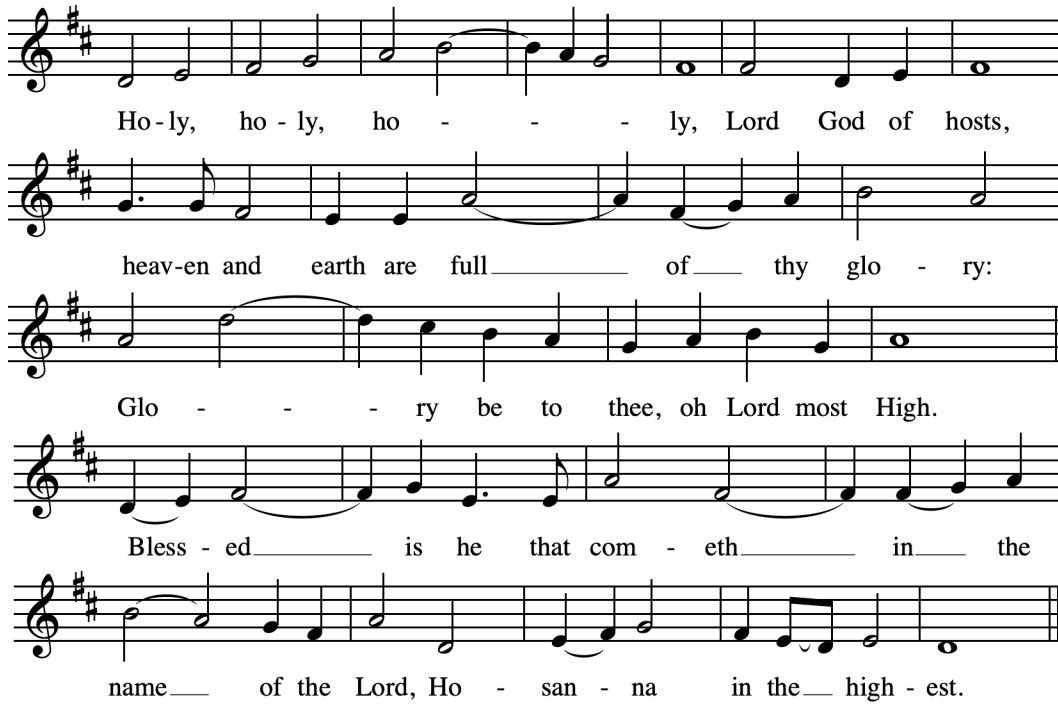
Priest Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

All It is meet and right so to do.

Preface 77

Sanctus and Benedictus

Hymn 797
Healey Willan, 1928



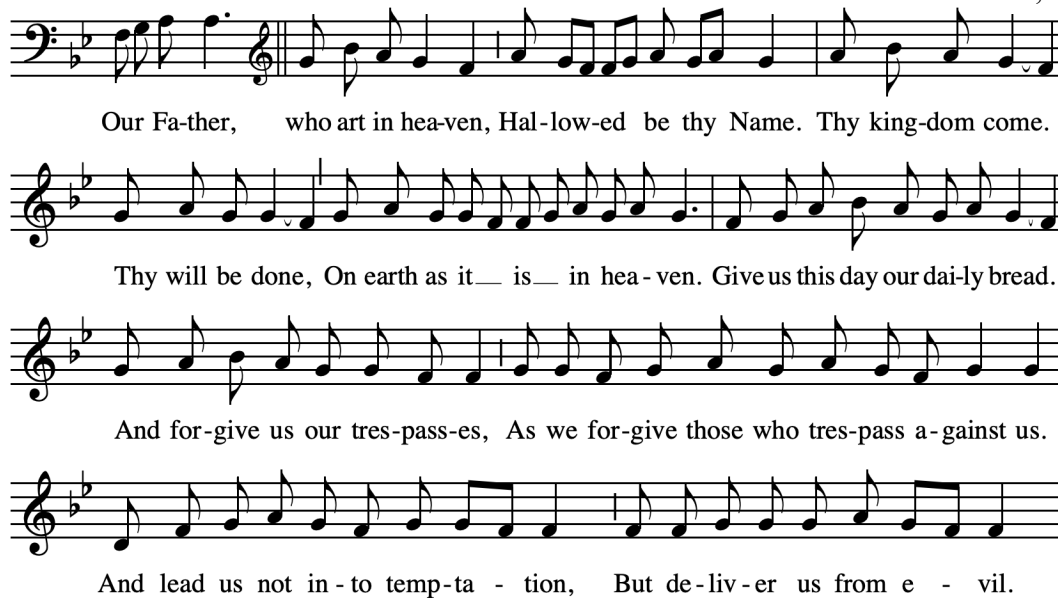
Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly, Lord God of hosts,
 heav-en and earth are full of thy glo-ry:
 Glo-ry be to thee, oh Lord most High.
 Bless-ed is he that com-eth in the
 name of the Lord, Ho-san-na in the high-est.

Prayer of Consecration

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Celebrant: And now, as our Saviour Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,
The Lord's Prayer

Hymn 722
Traditional, very ancient



Our Fa-ther, who art in hea-ven, Hal-low-ed be thy Name. Thy king-dom come.
 Thy will be done, On earth as it is in hea-ven. Give us this day our dai-ly bread.
 And for-give us our tres-pass-es, As we for-give those who tres-pass a-gainst us.
 And lead us not in-to temp-ta-tion, But de-liv-er us from e-vil.



For thine is the king-dom, And the pow'r, and the glo-ry, for ev-er and ev - er.



A - men. —

The Fracture

The Peace

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

People: And with thy spirit.

Agnus Dei

Hymn 712
Healey Willan, 1928



O Lamb of God, that ta-kest a - way — the sins of the world, —



have mer-cy up - on — us.



O Lamb of God, — that ta-kest a - way — the sins of the world,



have mer-cy up - on — us.



O Lamb of God, that ta-kest a - way — the sins of the world, —



grant — us thy — peace.

Prayer of Humble Access

By traditional use, prayed by the Priest on behalf of all who will receive. By St. Mary's usage, the congregation may join in praying aloud:

WE do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy: Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to

drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. *Amen.*

Communion of the Faithful

Celebrant: Behold the Lamb of God; behold Him that taketh away the sins of the world.

People: (3x) Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldst come under my roof, but speak the word only and my soul shall be healed.

For those attending in person, we have resumed the custom of kneeling or standing at the Altar Rail to Receive. Here are the various Ways of Receiving:

- 1. Receive the Host into your hands, or directly onto the tongue.
Receive directly from the Chalice, guiding it gently by the base.*
- 2. Receive by Intinction, receiving the Host into your hands and leaving it there; the Deacon will take it and dip it in the Chalice and place it onto your tongue.*
- 3. You may receive only the Host of itself, either in your hands or on your tongue. Our Lord is equally present in either Form.*

As a precaution and courtesy to others and for your own safety, we respectfully request that in the event you are currently suffering from a cold or other communicable illness, please refrain from receiving from the Chalice.

For those attending remotely: Please take a moment of silence to realize the presence of Jesus Christ in your soul and make your spiritual communion.

In union, O Dear Lord, with the faithful at every Altar of Thy Church, where Thy blessed Body and Blood have been offered to the Father, I desire to offer Thee praise and thanksgiving. I present to Thee my soul and body, with the earnest wish that I may ever be united to Thee. And since I cannot now receive Thee sacramentally, I beseech Thee to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to Thee, and embrace Thee with all the affections of my soul. O let nothing ever separate me from Thee. Let me live and die in Thy love. Amen.

Grant, O Lord Jesus Christ, that as the hem of Thy garment, touched in faith, healed the woman who could not touch Thy Body, so the soul of Thy servant may be healed by like faith in Thee, Whom I cannot now sacramentally receive; through Thy tender mercy, Who livest and reignest with the Father in the unity of the Holy Ghost ever one God. Amen.

Communion Hymn

Weymouth

Hymn 401

Theodore P. Ferris, 1941



Be - hold a Sow - er! from a - far He go - eth forth with
O Lord of life, to thee we lift Our hearts in praise for
Shine forth, O Light, that we may see, With hearts all un - a -
Light up thy word; the fet - tered page From kill - ing bond - age



might; The roll - ing years his fur - rows are, His
those, Thy pro - phets, who have shown thy gift Of
fraid, The mean - ing and the mys - ter - y Of
free: Light up our way; lead forth this age In



seed the grow - ing light; For all the just his word is sown, It
grace that ev - er grows, Of truth that spreads from shore to shore, Of
things that thou hast made: Shine forth, and let the dark - ling past Be -
love's large li - ber - ty. O Light of Light! with - in us dwell, Through



spring - eth up al - way; The ten - der blade is
wis - dom's wide - ning ray, Of light that shin - eth
neath thy beam grow bright; Shine forth, and touch the
us thy ra - diance pour, That word and life thy



hope's young dawn, The har - vest, love's new day. A - men.
more and more Un - to thy per - fect day.
fu - ture vast With thine un - trou - bled light.
truths may tell, And praise thee ev - er - more.

Washington Gladden, 1904

Prayer of Thanksgiving

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By traditional use, prayed by the Priest. By St. Mary's usage, the congregation may join in praying aloud:

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee, for that thou dost vouchsafe to feed us who have duly received these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of thy everlasting kingdom, by the merits of his most precious death and passion. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus

Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

Communion Verse and Post-Communion Prayers

Dismissal

Episcopal Blessing

Bishop: Blessed be the name of the Lord

People: From this time forth forever more.

Bishop: Our help is in the name of the Lord

People: Who hath made heaven and earth.

Bishop: The Peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: And the ✠Blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

Retiring Processional:

Sicilian Mariners

Hymn 489, 1st Tune

Sicilian Melody, pub. 1794



1. Lord, dis - miss us___ with thy bless-ing; Fill our hearts with
2. Thanks we give and___ ad - o - ra - tion For thy Gos - pel's
3. So that when thy___ love shall call us, Sa - viour, from the



joy and peace; Let us each, thy___ love pos - sess - ing,
joy - ful sound: May the fruits of___ thy sal - va - tion
worlda - way, Fear of death shall___ not ap - pall___ us,



Tri - umph in re - deem-ing grace: O___ re - fresh us,
In our hearts and___ lives a - bound: May thy___ pres - ence,
Glad thy sum - mons___ to o - bey. May we___ ev - er,



O___ re - fresh us, Trav - 'ling thro' this wil - der - ness. A - men.
may thy pres - ence With us___ ev - er - more be found;
may we ev - er Reign with thee in___ end - less day.

Ascribed to John Fawcett, 1773, alt.

Announcements

Celebrant

Sermon

Epistoler

Lector

Acolyte

Floral Arrangements and Accompanist

The Right Reverend Anthony F. Rasch

Ken Kubo, Candidate for Holy Orders

Robert Jones

Beth Kubo

Tony Shehata

Beth Kubo

Zoom Wrangler
Altar Guild

Landon Melamed
Susan King

Thank you for joining us for this service! Please continue to take care of yourselves and let us know if you need additional prayers or assistance.

Midweek Mass will be celebrated this week on Wednesday at 10 am (St. Matthias, from 24th).

Deacon Yeager is still awaiting his heart valve replacement procedure and will be away for a few more weeks. Please keep him in your prayers!

Happy Birthday!

Kelly Ramos (24 Feb)

Beth Kubo (28 Feb)

Ash Wednesday will occur March 5th. Blessed Ashes will be administered also on the First Sunday in Lent. Tuesday, March 4th there will be a Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper hosted by Gretchen Martin with the assistance of Debbie Ruiz and Nancy Jones. Our Lenten Wednesday Evening Study Series will include either a meatless potluck meal (or desert only). We will continue our study of authoress Shannon Bream's book, *Women of the Bible Speak*.