

AUGUST 24, 2025

9:00 A.M.

11TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

KENYAN LITURGY WITH COMMISSIONING



TODAY'S MINISTERS

Celebrant

The Rev. Lauren Scharf, Staff Priest

Preacher

The Rev. Peter Coelho, Rector

Assisting Priest

The Rev. Kevin Antlitz, Assistant Rector

Additional Bread Bearer

The Rev. Chris Royer

Cover

North African tile art

Attention Parents

Several spaces are available for nursing mothers including: Room 105 in the education wing (comfortable chairs & video feed of the service), the family restroom close to the reception desk (completely private with nursing chair), and the main entryway in the old narthex (semi-private with comfortable chairs for nursing).

Our nursery is available 15 mins prior to the service for infants – 3 yrs (Rooms 101 & 102). Parents who would like them to receive Communion are invited to pick them up at the Peace.

After the Children's Talk, children 4 yrs – 5th grade may process to our Kids' Church program in the Children's Chapel (Hunt Rooms). They will be brought back after the Peace.

THE
ELEVENTH
SUNDAY
AFTER
PENTECOST

AT
CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION

*A Worshipping Community;
Equipping God's People;
Sharing Christ's Healing with a Broken World*

AN ORDER OF WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION FROM THE ANGLICAN CHURCH OF KENYA

THE PRELUDE

“River of Life”

by L. Casebolt, Betty Carr Pulkingham

I’ve got a river of life flowing out of me!
Makes the lame to walk,
and the blind to see;
opens prison doors,
sets the captives free!
I’ve got a river of life flowing out of me!

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THE ACCLAMATION

Celebrant

Jesus said to them, ‘I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

John 6:35

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant The earth is the Lord’s and all that is in it:

People **Let the heavens rejoice and the earth be glad.**

Celebrant Our help is in the name of the Lord:

People **Who made heaven and earth.**

Celebrant I was glad when they said to me:

People **“Let us go to the house of the Lord.”**

Celebrant Praise the Lord.

People **The name of the Lord be praised.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

PRAYER FOR PURITY

Please kneel as you are able.

Celebrant and People

Almighty God, you bring to light things hidden in darkness, and know the shadows of our hearts: Cleanse and renew us by your Spirit, that we may walk in the light and glorify your name, through Jesus Christ, the Light of the world. Amen.

THE SUMMARY OF THE LAW

The Celebrant prays

Our Lord Jesus Christ said: The first and great commandment is this: “Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is the only Lord. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind and with all your strength.” The second is this: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’ There is no other commandment greater than these.

People **Amen. Lord have mercy and write these laws in our hearts, we pray.**

THE GLORIA

Celebrant We stand to glorify the Lord.

Glory to the Father.

People **Glory to the Son.**

Celebrant Glory to the Spirit.

People **For ever three in One.**

Celebrant Be glorified at home.

People **Be glorified in church.**

Celebrant Be glorified in Pennsylvania.

People **Be glorified in the United States.**

Celebrant Be glorified on earth.

People **Be glorified in heaven.**

Celebrant Glory to the Father.

People **Glory to the Son.**

Celebrant Glory to the Spirit.

People **For ever three in One.**

Celebrant Alleluia.
People Amen.

Please join in singing.

SONG OF WORSHIP

“Hosanna (Praise is Rising)” by Brenton Brown, Paul Baloche

1) Praise is rising,
eyes are turning to you, we turn to you.
Hope is stirring,
hearts are yearning for you, we long for you.

Pre-Chorus 'Cause when we see you,
we find strength to face the day.
In your presence
all our fears are washed away,
washed away.

Chorus Hosanna, hosanna!
You are the God who saves us,
worthy of all our praises.
Hosanna, hosanna!
Come have your way among us.
We welcome you here, Lord Jesus.

2) Hear the sound of
hearts returning to you, we turn to you.
In your kingdom
broken lives are made new, you make us new.

Pre-Chorus

Chorus

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant Let us pray the prayer appointed for today.

Celebrant and People

Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

The People are seated.

THE CHILDREN'S TALK

The Rev. Peter Coelho

Children through 5th grade are invited to come forward. Afterwards, parents may bring infants – age 3 to the nursery (Rooms 101 and 102). Children age 4 – 5th grade are invited to process to our Kids' Church program in the Children's Chapel (Hunt Rooms). They will be brought back after the Peace.

The People stand and sing as the Children process.

“Spirit of the Living God”

by Daniel Iverson

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on us.

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on us.

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The People are seated.

THE LESSONS

THE FIRST READING

Isaiah 28:14-22

28 ¹⁴Therefore hear the word of the LORD, you scoffers who rule this people in Jerusalem. ¹⁵Because you have said, “We have made a covenant with death, and with Sheol we have an agreement; when the overwhelming

scourge passes through it will not come to us; for we have made lies our refuge, and in falsehood we have taken shelter”; ¹⁶therefore thus says the Lord GOD, See, I am laying in Zion a foundation stone, a tested stone, a precious cornerstone, a sure foundation: “One who trusts will not panic.” ¹⁷And I will make justice the line, and righteousness the plummet; hail will sweep away the refuge of lies, and waters will overwhelm the shelter. ¹⁸Then your covenant with death will be annulled, and your agreement with Sheol will not stand; when the overwhelming scourge passes through you will be beaten down by it. ¹⁹As often as it passes through, it will take you; for morning by morning it will pass through, by day and by night; and it will be sheer terror to understand the message.²⁰For the bed is too short to stretch oneself on it, and the covering too narrow to wrap oneself in it. ²¹For the LORD will rise up as on Mount Perazim, he will rage as in the valley of Gibeon; to do his deed—strange is his deed! and to work his work—alien is his work! ²²Now therefore do not scoff, or your bonds will be made stronger; for I have heard a decree of destruction from the Lord GOD of hosts upon the whole land.

<i>Reader</i>	This is the Word of the Lord.
<i>People</i>	Alleluia. Praise be to God.

Please stand and say the psalm as directed.

PSALM 46

- ¹ God is our refuge and strength, *
a very present help in trouble.
- ² Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved, *
and though the hills be carried into the midst of the sea;
- ³ Though its waters rage and swell, *
and though the mountains shake at its tempest.
- ⁴ There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, *
the holy dwelling place of the Most High.
- ⁵ God is in the midst of her; therefore she shall not be moved. *
God shall help her at the break of day.
- ⁶ The nations are in an uproar, and the kingdoms are moved, *
but God has lifted his voice, and the earth shall melt away.
- ⁷ The LORD of hosts is with us; *
the God of Jacob is our refuge.

- ⁸ O come and behold the works of the LORD, *
 what devastations he has brought upon the earth.
- ⁹ He makes wars to cease in all the world; *
 he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the
 chariots in the fire.
- ¹⁰ “Be still then and know that I am God; *
 I will be exalted among the nations, and I will be exalted in
 the earth.”
- ¹¹ The LORD of hosts is with us; *
 the God of Jacob is our refuge.

The People are seated.

THE SECOND READING
 Hebrews 12:18-29

12 ¹⁸You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, ¹⁹and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. ²⁰(For they could not endure the order that was given, “If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death.” ²¹Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, “I tremble with fear.”) ²²But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, ²³and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, ²⁴and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel. ²⁵See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! ²⁶At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, “Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven.” ²⁷This phrase, “Yet once more,” indicates the removal of what is shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain. ²⁸Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; ²⁹for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

<i>Reader</i>	This is the Word of the Lord.
<i>People</i>	Alleluia. Praise be to God.

Please stand.

THE GOSPEL
Luke 13:22-30

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

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

13 ²²Jesus went through one town and village after another, teaching as he made his way to Jerusalem.

²³Someone asked him, “Lord, will only a few be saved?” He said to them, ²⁴“Strive to enter through the narrow door; for many, I tell you, will try to enter and will not be able. ²⁵When once the owner of the house has got up and shut the door, and you begin to stand outside and to knock at the door, saying, ‘Lord, open to us,’ then in reply he will say to you, ‘I do not know where you come from.’ ²⁶Then you will begin to say, ‘We ate and drank with you, and you taught in our streets.’ ²⁷But he will say, ‘I do not know where you come from; go away from me, all you evildoers!’ ²⁸There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God, and you yourselves thrown out. ²⁹Then people will come from east and west, from north and south, and will eat in the kingdom of God. ³⁰Indeed, some are last who will be first, and some are first who will be last.”

Assisting Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

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

THE SERMON
The Rev. Peter Coelho

THE NICENE CREED

Celebrant

We stand together with Christians throughout the centuries, and throughout the world today, to affirm our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed.

Celebrant and People

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, visible and invisible.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten 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 from the Holy Spirit and 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,
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.**

Please kneel as you are able.

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION OF SIN

Assisting Priest

Hear the words of challenge and comfort our Savior Christ says to all who follow him.

If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will save it.

Luke 9:23-24

Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest.

Matthew 11:28

So, all of you who repent of your sins, who love your neighbors, and intend to live a new life following the way of Jesus, come with faith and take this holy sacrament to strengthen you.

Let us reverently confess our sins to Almighty God.

A brief silence will be kept.

Assisting Priest and People

Almighty God, creator of all, you marvelously made us in your image; but we have corrupted ourselves and damaged your likeness by rejecting your love and hurting our neighbors. We have done wrong and neglected to do right. We are sincerely sorry and heartily repent of our sins. Cleanse us and forgive us by the sacrifice of your Son; remake us and lead us by your Spirit, the Comforter. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Celebrant

Almighty God, whose steadfast love is as great as the heavens are high above the earth, remove your sins from you, as far as the east is from the west, strengthen your life in his kingdom and keep you upright to the last day; through Jesus Christ, our merciful high priest. Amen.

Celebrant and People

Thank you, Father, for forgiveness. We come to your table as your children, not presuming but assured, not trusting ourselves but your Word. We hunger and thirst for righteousness, and ask for our hearts to be satisfied with the body and blood of your Son, Jesus Christ the righteous. Amen.

Please stand.

COMMISSIONING OF SOPHIE & ASHER

Rector

Dear brothers and sisters, Jesus calls each of us to faithful discipleship and service. We are all called to different ministries as we seek to follow Christ. As we commission Asher, Sophie, and their children for ministry in North Africa, will you, with them, renew your commitment to the loving service of God, of one another, and to all people?

People

We will, with God's help.

Rector

Jesus said, "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age."

Matthew 28:19-20

It has been nearly two thousand years since Jesus Christ gave this commission and yet over 2 billion people (5,000 people groups) do not have access to a viable or visible church. Asher & Sophie have been called to reach the North African Arabs with the gospel, and to serve those who are reaching them.

Brothers and sisters at Ascension, will you commit yourselves to support and pray for them in this ministry?

People

We will, with God's help.

Rector

Asher & Sophie, do you believe that God has called you to this ministry?

Asher & Sophie We do.

Rector

Will you, as long as you are engaged in this ministry, seek to perform it prayerfully and obediently, growing in the grace and gifts that God has given you?

Asher & Sophie We will, with God's help.

Rector

Then may the Holy Spirit guide and strengthen you in this mission, and in the name of this diocese, I commend and commission you to this ministry and pledge you our prayers, encouragement, and support. May God grant you grace, wisdom, and joy as you live out this calling. Let us pray.

The Rector then leads the congregation in a time of Spirit-led prayer, inviting particular leaders of the church to come forward, lay hands on them, and pray.

The Rector concludes

O God, our Father, you sent your only-begotten Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, to redeem and save the world. On the day of Pentecost, at his bidding, you sent the Holy Spirit upon his disciples, clothing them with power from on high, that they might proclaim salvation in his name to all nations. Father, send down your Holy Spirit upon your servants Asher, Sophie, and their children. Deliver them from all fear and every deceit of the evil one. Keep them strong in body and spirit, that they may be a light to those still in darkness, in the name of Jesus Christ we pray. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

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

*Parents who would like their infant – 3 year olds to receive Communion
are invited to pick them up at this time.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE OFFERTORY

Celebrant

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

OFFERTORY SONG

“Let Us Be Known by Our Love”

Music Supplement p. 38

1) Let us be known by our love;
in every word, in every deed, honor the Son.
Let our light shine in every eye; let us be known by our love.

Refrain For the glory of the Father, for the glory of the Son,
for the glory of the Spirit,
let us be known by our love/joy/peace.

2) Let us be known by our joy;
in every home, in every heart, sing to the Lord.
Let our life show goodness and hope; let us be known by our joy.
Refrain

3) Let us be known by our peace;
in every town, in every tribe, Jesus is King.
Let us go forth, heal and restore; let us be known by our peace.
Refrain

The People sing as the tithes and offerings are brought forward.

THE DOXOLOGY

Old Hundredth

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
Praise him, all creatures here below.
Praise him above, ye heav’nly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Celebrant All things come from you, O Lord,
People **And of your own have we given you.**

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Celebrant We remain standing for thanksgiving and remembrance.
Is the Father with us?

People **He is.**

Celebrant Is Christ among us?
People **He is.**

<i>Celebrant</i>	Is the Spirit here?
<i>People</i>	He is.
<i>Celebrant</i>	This is our God.
<i>People</i>	Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
<i>Celebrant</i>	We are his people.
<i>People</i>	We are redeemed.
<i>Celebrant</i>	Lift up your hearts.
<i>People</i>	We lift them to the Lord.
<i>Celebrant</i>	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
<i>People</i>	It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Celebrant continues

It is right and our delight to give you thanks and praise, great Father, living God, supreme over the world, Creator, Provider, Savior and Giver. From a wandering nomad you created your family; for a burdened people you raised up a leader; for a confused nation you chose a king; for a rebellious crowd you sent your prophets. In these last days you have sent us your Son, your perfect image, bringing your kingdom, revealing your will, dying, rising, reigning, and remaking your people for yourself. Through him you have poured out your Holy Spirit, filling us with light and life.

And now we give you thanks because your Holy Spirit inspired the scriptures and leads us into all truth: he gives us power to proclaim your gospel to all nations and to serve you as a royal priesthood.

Therefore with angels, archangels, and all in heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, forever praising you and saying:

THE SANCTUS

All sing together

Murphy setting

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
 heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna!
 Blessed is he who comes in the Name of the Lord.
 Hosanna! In the highest!

Blessed is he who comes in the Name of the Lord.
 Hosanna! In the highest!

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THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

The People may kneel or remain standing.

Celebrant

Almighty God, owner of all things, We thank you for giving up your only Son to die on the cross for us who owe you everything. Pour your refreshing Spirit on us as we remember him in the way he commanded, through these gifts of your creation. On the same night that he was betrayed he took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples saying, "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

People **Amen. His body was broken for us.**

Celebrant

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave thanks; he gave it to them, saying, "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. Do this as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

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

Celebrant We are brothers and sisters through his blood.

People **We have died together,
we will rise together,
we will live together.**

Celebrant

Therefore, heavenly Father, hear us as we celebrate this covenant with joy, and await the coming of our brother, Jesus Christ. He died in our place, making a full atonement for the sins of the whole world, the perfect sacrifice, once and for all. You accepted his offering by raising him from death, and granting him great honor at your right hand on high.

People **Amen. Jesus is Lord.**

Celebrant This is the feast of victory.

People **The Lamb who was slain has begun his reign.
Alleluia.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant As our Savior taught us, we are bold to pray,

Celebrant and People

**Our Father, 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

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread.

Celebrant We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.
People **Though we are many, we are one body, for we all
share one bread.**

Celebrant The cup of blessing which we bless,
People **is a sharing in the blood of Christ.**

Celebrant Draw near with faith and receive,
People **Christ is the host and we are his guests.**

Celebrant Christ is alive for ever.
People **We are because he is.**

THE MINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

*The Celebrant then holds the bread, the Assisting Priest holds the wine,
and they declare to the People*

Celebrant

The body of our Lord Jesus Christ which was broken for you, keep your body and soul in eternal life. Take and eat this, in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts, by faith, with thanksgiving.

Assisting Priest

The blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was shed for you, keep your body and soul in eternal life. Drink this, in remembrance that Christ's blood was shed for you and be thankful.

THE AGNUS DEI

All sing together

Elohim setting

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:
grant us, grant us your peace.

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The People are seated.

All baptized Christians are invited to come forward to receive the bread and wine. Inform the Bread Bearer if you need a gluten-free wafer.

If for any reason you are not receiving today, you are invited to come forward to receive a blessing. Simply cross your arms over your chest and the Minister will know to give you a blessing instead of the bread and wine.

COMMUNION SONGS

“Trinity Song”

by Sandra McCracken and Ricky Vazquez

Holy Father, Son, and Spirit,
Holy Communion, Three in One.
Repeat

Come with your peace, with your invitation.
Bind us together in holy love.
Repeat

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“Take My Life and Let It Be”

Frances R. Havergal, Paul Zach

1) Take my life, and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee.
Take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise;
let them flow in ceaseless praise.

2) Take my silver and my gold, not a mite would I withhold.
Take my intellect and use every power as thou shalt choose,
every power as thou shalt choose.

3) Take my will and make it thine, it shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart it is thine own, it shall be thy royal throne;
it shall be thy royal throne.

4) Take my love, my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store.
Take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee;
ever, only, all for thee.

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“King of Kings”

by Brooke Ligertwood, Jason Ingram,
and Scott Ligertwood

1) In the darkness we were waiting
without hope, without light
till from heaven you came running;
there was mercy in your eyes.
To fulfill the law and prophets
to a virgin came the Word
from a throne of endless glory
to a cradle in the dirt.

Refrain

Praise the Father, praise the Son,
praise the Spirit, three in one.
God of glory, majesty,
praise forever to the King of kings.

2) To reveal the kingdom coming
and to reconcile the lost,
to redeem the whole creation
you did not despise the cross.

For even in your suffering,
you saw to the other side;
knowing this was our salvation,
Jesus, for our sake you died. *Refrain*

3) And the morning that you rose,
all of heaven held its breath,
till that stone was moved for good,
for the Lamb had conquered death.
And the dead rose from their tombs,
and the angels stood in awe,
for the souls of all who'd come
to the Father are restored.

4) And the Church of Christ was born;
then the Spirit lit the flame.
Now this Gospel truth of old
shall not kneel, shall not faint.
By his blood and in his name,
in his freedom I am free,
for the love of Jesus Christ,
who has resurrected me. *Refrain*

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THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

Please stand.

Celebrant and People

Almighty God, eternal Father, we have sat at your feet, learned from your word, and eaten from your table. We give you thanks and praise for accepting us into your family. Send us out with your blessing, to live and to witness for you in the power of your Spirit, through Jesus Christ, the first born from the dead. Amen.

THE BLESSING

The People accompany their first three responses with a sweep of the arm towards the cross behind the Holy Table, and their final response with a sweep towards heaven.

Celebrant All our problems
People **We send to the cross of Christ.**

Celebrant All our difficulties
People **We send to the cross of Christ.**

Celebrant All the devil's works
People **We send to the cross of Christ.**

Celebrant All our hopes
People **We set on the risen Christ.**

Celebrant
Christ the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you and scatter the darkness from before your path: and the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you, always. **Amen.**

Please stand.

THE DISMISSAL

Assisting Priest Jesus said, "As the Father has sent me, even so I send you." Go forth in peace. Alleluia, alleluia.
People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

*Thank you for worshipping with us!
Please join us after the service in Bailey Hall
for Hospitality Hour.*

WELCOME!

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