



The Ordination to the Sacred Order of Priests

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Angela Compton-Nelson
Mawethu Ncaca
Marisa Sifontes

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Church of the Holy Family
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Preface to the Ordination Rites

The Holy Scriptures and ancient Christian writers make it clear that from the apostles' time, there have been different ministries within the Church. In particular, since the time of the New Testament, three distinct orders of ordained ministers have been characteristic of Christ's holy catholic Church. First, there is the order of bishops who carry on the apostolic work of leading, supervising, and uniting the Church. Secondly, associated with them are the presbyters, or ordained elders, in subsequent times generally known as priests. Together with the bishops, they take part in the governance of the Church, in the carrying out of its missionary and pastoral work, and in the preaching of the Word of God and administering his holy Sacraments. Thirdly, there are deacons who assist bishops and priests in all of this work. It is also a special responsibility of deacons to minister in Christ's name to the poor, the sick, the suffering, and the helpless.

The persons who are chosen and recognized by the Church as being called by God to the ordained ministry are admitted to these sacred orders by solemn prayer and the laying on of episcopal hands. It has been, and is, the intention and purpose of this Church to maintain and continue these three orders; and for this purpose these services of ordination and consecration are appointed. No persons are allowed to exercise the offices of bishop, priest, or deacon in this Church unless they are so ordained, or have already received such ordination with the laying on of hands by bishops who are themselves duly qualified to confer Holy Orders.

It is also recognized and affirmed that the threefold ministry is not the exclusive property of this portion of Christ's catholic Church, but is a gift from God for the nurture of his people and the proclamation of his Gospel everywhere. Accordingly, the manner of ordaining in this Church is to be such as has been, and is, most generally recognized by Christian people as suitable for the conferring of the sacred orders of bishop, priest, and deacon.

– The Book of Common Prayer, p. 510

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☩ Before worship, please observe quiet for prayer and meditation, and silence any device that may disturb you or your neighbor.

☩ All worshippers must wear a mask for the entire service, except briefly, to receive Communion. At certain times during the service, members of the liturgical party may remove their masks. Please be assured that they are fully vaccinated.

☩ At the time appointed, the persons to be ordained, with their sponsors, assemble in the church or some other appropriate place.

☩ During their entrance, a hymn, psalm, or anthem may be sung, or instrumental music may be played.

Voluntary *All Glory Be to God on High*

J. S. Bach

Stand for the singing of a hymn

Unison

1 Ye watch - ers and ye ho - ly ones, bright ser - a - phs, cher - u -
 2 O high - er than the cher - u - bim, more glo - rious than the
 3 Re - spond, ye souls in end - less rest, ye pa - tri - archs and
 4 O friends, in glad - ness let us sing, su - per - nal an - thems

Harmony *Unison*

bim, and thrones, raise the glad strain, Al - le - lu - ia! Cry
 ser - a - phim, lead their prais - es, Al - le - lu - ia! Thou
 pro - phets blest, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Ye
 ech - o - ing, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! To

out, do - min - ions, prince - doms, powers, vir - tues, arch - an - gels, an - gels'
 bear - er of the e - ter - nal Word, most gra - cious, mag - ni - fy the
 ho - ly twelve, ye mar - tyrs strong, all saints tri - um - phant, raise the
 God the Fa - ther, God the Son, and God the Spi - rit, Three in

Harmony

choirs, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
 Lord, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
 song, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
 One, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -

Unison

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Words: John Athelstan Laurie Riley (1858–1945). Music: *Lasst uns erfreuen*, melody from *Auserlesene Catholische Geistliche Kirchengeseng*, 1623; adapt. and harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872–1958).

The people standing, the Bishop says

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

People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Bishop

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 Presentation

The bishop and people sit. A Priest and a Lay Person, and additional presenters if desired, standing before the bishop, present each ordinand, saying

Sam, Bishop in the Church of God, on behalf of the clergy and people of the Diocese of North Carolina, we present to you Alice Graham Grant to be ordained a priest in Christ's holy catholic Church.

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Bishop

Have they been selected in accordance with the canons of this Church? And do you believe their manner of life to be suitable to the exercise of this ministry?

Presenters

We certify to you that they have satisfied the requirements of the canons, and we believe them to be qualified for this order.

The Bishop says to each ordinand (addressing each by name)

Will you be loyal to the doctrine, discipline, and worship of Christ as this Church has received them? And will you, in accordance with the canons of this Church, obey your bishop and other ministers who may have authority over you and your work?

Answer

I am willing and ready to do so; and I solemnly declare that I do believe the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the Word of God, and to contain all things necessary to salvation; and I do solemnly engage to conform to the doctrine, discipline, and worship of The Episcopal Church.

Each Ordinand then signs the above Declaration in the sight of all present.

All stand. The Bishop says to the people

Dear friends in Christ, you know the importance of this ministry and the weight of your responsibility in presenting Alice, Angela, Mawethu, and Marisa for ordination to the sacred order of priests. Therefore if any of you know any impediment or crime because of which we should not proceed, come forward now and make it known.

If no objection is made, the Bishop continues

Is it your will that Alice, Angela, Mawethu, and Marisa be ordained priests?

The People respond in these or other words

It is.

Bishop

Will you uphold them in this ministry?

The People respond in these or other words

We will.

The Bishop then calls the people to prayer with these or similar words

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

All kneel, and the Person appointed leads the Litany for Ordinations

Cantor *People*



God the Fa - ther, Have mer - cy on us.

Cantor *People*



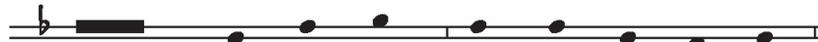
God the Son, Have mer - cy on us.

Cantor *People*



God the Holy Spir - it, Have mer - cy on us.

Cantor *People*



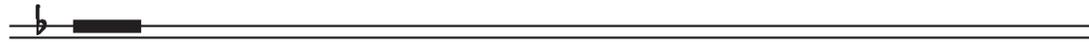
Holy Trini - ty, one God, Have mer - cy on us.

Cantor *People*



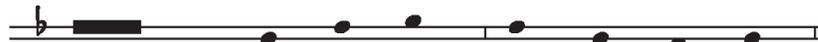
We pray to you, Lord Christ. Lord, hear our prayer.

Cantor



For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault at the Day of your Coming,

People



we pray to you, O Lord. Lord, hear our prayer.

The Litany for Ordinations continues with the following petitions

For all members of your Church in their vocation and ministry, that they may serve you in a true and godly life, we pray to you, O Lord.

After each petition, the congregation sings

People



Lord, hear our prayer.

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, and for all bishops, priests, and deacons, that they may be filled with your love, may hunger for truth, and may thirst after righteousness, we pray to you, O Lord.

For Alice, Angela, Mawethu, and Marisa, chosen priests in your Church, we pray to you, O Lord.

That they may faithfully fulfill the duties of this ministry, build up your Church, and glorify your Name, we pray to you, O Lord.

That by the indwelling of the Holy Spirit they may be sustained and encouraged to persevere to the end, we pray to you, O Lord.

For their families, that they may be adorned with all Christian virtues, we pray to you, O Lord.

For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease and that all may be one as you and the Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord.

For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, O Lord.

For those who do not yet believe, and for those who have lost their faith, that they may receive the light of the Gospel, we pray to you, O Lord.

For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, O Lord.

For those in positions of public trust, that they may serve justice and promote the dignity and freedom of every person, we pray to you, O Lord.

For a blessing upon all human labor, and for the right use of the riches of creation, that the world may be freed from poverty, famine, and disaster, we pray to you, O Lord.

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O Lord.

For ourselves; for the forgiveness of our sins, and for the grace of the Holy Spirit to amend our lives, we pray to you, O Lord.

For all who have died in the communion of your Church, and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray to you, O Lord.

And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!" Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!"

After the Reading, the Reader says

The Word of the Lord

People **Thanks be to God.**

Between the readings, the following psalm is sung.

The Psalm begins with the following Antiphon, sung first by a Cantor and then by the Choir and the Congregation.



Then the Choir sings the Psalm

C Psalm 132:8–19 *Memento, Domine.*

- 8 Arise, O LORD, into your resting place, *
you and the ark of your strength.
- 9 Let your priests be clothed with righteousness; *
let your faithful people sing with joy.
- 10 For your servant David's sake, *
do not turn away the face of your Anointed.
- 11 The LORD has sworn an oath to David; *
in truth, he will not break it:
- 12 "A son, the fruit of your body *
will I set upon your throne.
- 13 If your children keep my covenant
and my testimonies that I shall teach them, *
their children will sit upon your throne for evermore."

- 14 For the LORD has chosen Zion; *
 he has desired her for his habitation:
 15 “This shall be my resting place for ever; *
 here will I dwell, for I delight in her.
 16 I will surely bless her provisions, *
 and satisfy her poor with bread.
 17 I will clothe her priests with salvation, *
 and her faithful people will rejoice and sing.
 18 There will I make the horn of David flourish; *
 I have prepared a lamp for my Anointed.
 19 As for his enemies, I will clothe them with shame; *
 but as for him, his crown will shine.”

The Choir and Congregation repeat the Antiphon.



Lectura de los Filipenses.

Read by Carla Vernón

☪ Filipenses 4:4-9.

REGOCÍJENSE en el Señor siempre. Otra vez lodiré: ¡Regocíjense! La bondad de ustedes sea conocida de todos los hombres. El Señor está cerca. Por nada estén afanosos; antes bien, en todo, mediante oración y súplica con acción de gracias, sean dadas a conocer sus peticiones delante de Dios. Y la paz de Dios, que sobrepasa todo entendimiento[a], guardará sus corazones y sus mentes en Cristo Jesús.

Por lo demás, hermanos, todo lo que es verdadero, todo lo digno, todo lo justo, todo lo puro, todo lo amable, todo lo honorable[b], si hay alguna virtud o algo que merece elogio, en esto mediten. Lo que también han aprendido y recibido y oído y visto en mí, esto practiquen, y el Dios de paz estará con ustedes.

Después de cada Lectura el Lector puede decir:

Palabra de Señor.

Pueblo **Demos gracias a Dios.**

Translation of Philippians 4:4-9: Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

Stand for the singing of a hymn

1 Re - joice! re - joice, be - liev - ers, and let your lights ap - pear!
 2 See that your lamps are burn - ing, re - ple-nish them with oil;
 3 Our hope and ex - pec - ta - tion, O Je - sus, now ap - pear;

The eve - ning is ad - vanc - ing, and dark - er night is near.
 look now for your sal - va - tion, the end of sin and toil.
 a - rise, thou Sun so longed for, a - bove this dark - ened sphere!

The Bride - groom is a - ris - ing, and soon he will draw nigh;
 The mar - riage - feast is wait - ing, the gates wide o - pen stand;
 With hearts and hands up - lift - ed, we plead, O Lord, to see

up, watch in ex - pec - ta - tion! at mid - night comes the cry.
 rise up, ye heirs of glo - ry, the Bride - groom is at hand!
 the day of earth's re - demp - tion, and ev - er be with thee!

Words: Laurentius Laurenti (1660–1722); tr. Sarah B. Findlater (1823–1907), alt.
 Music: *Llangloffan*, melody from *Hymnau a Thonau er Gwasanaeth yr Eglwys yng Nghymru*, 1865.

Then, all standing, the Deacon, or if no deacon is present, a Priest reads the Gospel, first saying

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

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

¶ John 6:35–38.

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. But I said to you that you have seen me and yet do not believe. Everything that the Father gives me will come to me, and anyone who comes to me I will never drive away; for I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will, but the will of him who sent me.

After the Gospel, the Reader says

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon

Ellen Davis, PhD

The Congregation then says the Nicene 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:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
Who with the Father and the Son is worshipped 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 Examination

All are seated except the ordinands, who stand before the Bishop.

The Bishop addresses the ordinand as follows

My sisters and brother, the Church is the family of God, the body of Christ, and the temple of the Holy Spirit. All baptized people are called to make Christ known as Savior and Lord, and to share in the renewing of his world. Now you are called to work as a pastor, priest, and teacher, together with your bishop and fellow presbyters, and to take your share in the councils of the Church.

As a priest, it will be your task to proclaim by word and deed the Gospel of Jesus Christ, and to fashion your life in accordance with its precepts. You are to love and serve the people among whom you work, caring alike for young and old, strong and weak, rich and poor. You are to preach, to declare God's forgiveness to penitent sinners, to pronounce God's blessing, to share in the administration of Holy Baptism and in the celebration of the mysteries of Christ's Body and Blood, and to perform the other ministrations entrusted to you.

In all that you do, you are to nourish Christ's people from the riches of his grace, and strengthen them to glorify God in this life and in the life to come.

My sisters and brother, do you believe that you are truly called by God and his Church to this priesthood?

Answer I believe I am so called.

Bishop Do you now in the presence of the Church commit yourself to this trust and responsibility?

Answer I do.

Bishop Will you be guided by the pastoral direction and leadership of your bishop?

Answer I will.

Bishop Will you be diligent in the reading and study of the Holy Scriptures, and in seeking the knowledge of such things as may make you a stronger and more able minister of Christ?

Answer I will.

Bishop Will you endeavor so to minister the Word of God and the sacraments of the New Covenant, that the reconciling love of Christ may be known and received?

Answer I will.

Bishop Will you undertake to be a faithful pastor to all whom you are called to serve, laboring together with them and with your fellow ministers to build up the family of God?

Answer I will.

Bishop Will you do your best to pattern your life in accordance with the teachings of Christ, so that you may be a wholesome example to your people?

Answer I will.

Bishop Will you persevere in prayer, both in public and in private, asking God's grace, both for yourself and for others, offering all your labors to God, through the mediation of Jesus Christ, and in the sanctification of the Holy Spirit?

Answer I will.

Bishop May the Lord who has given you the will to do these things give you the grace and power to perform them.

Answer Amen.

The Consecration of the Priest

All now stand except the ordinand, who kneels facing the bishop.

The hymn, Veni Creator Spiritus, or the hymn, Veni Sancte Spiritus, is sung.

Ve - ni San - cte Spi - ri - tus.

Cantor
1. Come, Ho - ly Spir - it, from heav - en shine forth
with your glo - rious light. Ve - ni San - cte Spi - ri - tus.

2. Come from the four winds, O Spir - it, come breath of God; dis -
perse the shad - ows ov - er us, re - new and strength - en your
peo - ple. Ve - ni San - cte Spi - ri - tus.

Words: Pentecost Sequence: Taizé Community, 1978. Music: Jacques Berthier (1923–1994).

A period of silent prayer follows, the people still standing.

The Bishop then says this Prayer of Consecration

God and Father of all, we praise you for your infinite love in calling us to be a holy people in the kingdom of your Son Jesus our Lord, who is the image of your eternal and invisible glory, the firstborn among many brethren, and the head of the Church. We thank you that by his death he has overcome death, and, having ascended into heaven, has poured his gifts abundantly upon your people, making some apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry and the building up of his body.

Here the Bishop lays hands upon the head of the ordinand, the Priests who are present also laying on their hands. At the same time the Bishop prays

Therefore, Father, through Jesus Christ your Son, give your Holy Spirit to N.; fill [her / him] with grace and power, and make [him / her] a priest in your Church.

The Bishop then continues

May they exalt you, O Lord, in the midst of your people; offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to you; boldly proclaim the gospel of salvation; and rightly administer the sacraments of the New Covenant. Make them faithful pastors, patient teachers, and wise councilors. Grant that in all things they may serve without reproach, so that your people may be strengthened and your Name glorified in all the world. All this we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever.

The People in a loud voice respond **Amen.**

The new priests are now vested according to the order of priests.

The Bishop gives a Bible to the newly ordained, saying to each individual

Receive this Bible as a sign of the authority given you to preach the Word of God and to administer his holy Sacraments. Do not forget the trust committed to you as a priest of the Church of God.

The Bishops greet the newly ordained.

The Peace

The Celebrant may say to the People

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The Bishop and the Clergy present now greet the newly ordained.

The new priests then exchange greetings with family members and others, as may be convenient.

The Clergy and People greet one another.

Welcome and Announcements

The Holy Communion

The liturgy continues with the Offertory.

Today's offertory is given to the glory of God and in honor of the ordinands. All gifts are distributed to the new priests' discretionary funds. If you wish, you may also visit <https://givingtools.com/give/1182/3318> or mail a contribution to the Diocesan Offices: 200 West Morgan St., Suite 300, Raleigh, NC 27601.

Offertory *Alleluia*

Elaine Hagenbert

Alleluia.

All shall be Amen and Alleluia.
We shall rest and we shall see.
We shall see and we shall know.
We shall know and we shall love.
Behold our end which is no end.

Alleluia.

—St. Augustine

Stand for the singing of a hymn.



Bread of the world, in mer - cy bro - ken, Wine of the
soul, in mer - cy shed, by whom the words of life were
spo - ken, and in whose death our sins are dead:
look on the heart by sor - row bro - ken, look on the
tears by sin - ners shed; and be thy feast to us the
to - ken that by thy grace our souls are fed.

Words: Reginald Heber (1783–1826).

Music: *Rendez à Dieu*, melody att. Louis Bourgeois (1510?–1561?); harm. Claude Goudimel (1514–1572), alt.

ho - ly Lord God of hosts.

Heav - en and earth are filled with your glo -

ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Bless - ed is He who comes in the name

of the Lord, of the Lord.

Ho - san - na in the high -



Music: Grayson Warren Brown (b. 1948), *A Mass for a Soulful People*.

The people stand or kneel.

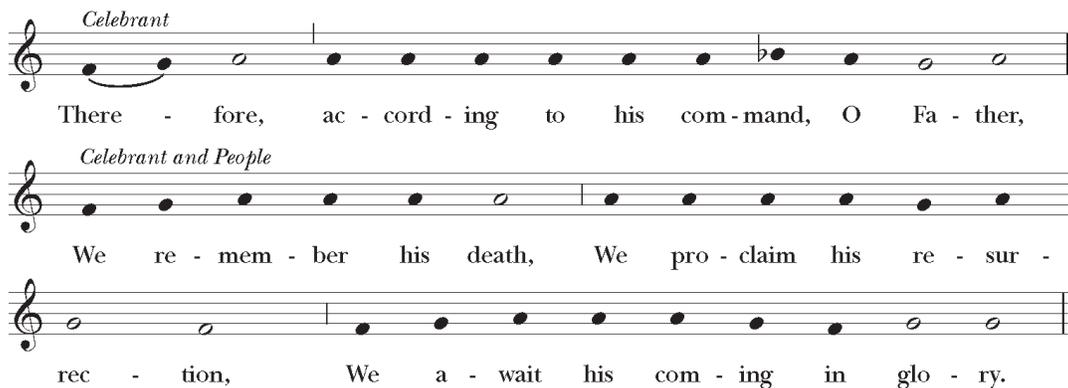
Then the Celebrant continues

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.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

On the night before he died for us, 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."

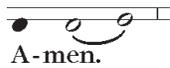


The Celebrant continues

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, to 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 the ever-blessed Virgin Mary, 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.

People



A-men.

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

Padre nuestro que estás en el cielo,	Our Father, who art in heaven,
santificado sea tu Nombre,	hallowed be thy Name,
venga tu reino,	thy kingdom come,
hágase tu voluntad,	thy will be done,
en la tierra como en el cielo.	on earth as it is in heaven.
Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día.	Give us this day our daily bread.
Perdona nuestras ofensas,	And forgive us our trespasses,
como también nosotros perdonamos	as we forgive those who trespass against us.
a los que nos ofenden.	And lead us not into temptation,
No nos dejes caer en tentación	but deliver us from evil.
y líbranos del mal.	For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
Porque tuyo es el reino,	and the glory,
tuyo es el poder, y tuya es la gloria,	for ever and ever. Amen.
ahora y por siempre. Amén.	

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept. Then all sing together.

Cantor or Choir



My flesh is food in - deed, and my blood is drink in -

1 *All* 2 *Cantor or Choir*



deed, says the Lord. My Lord. Those who eat my

All



flesh and drink my blood dwell in me and I in them. My



flesh is food in - deed, and my blood is drink in - deed, says the Lord.

Music: Ray W. Urwin (b.1950).

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

and may add Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

At the time of Communion an usher will direct you to a Communion station below the Chancel setps. Return to your pew via a side aisle, briefly remove your mask, and take your Communion.

Music at Communion



1	I	am	the	bread	of	life;	_____	they	who
2 (The)	Bread	that	_____	I	will	give	_____	is	my
3 (Un-)	less	_____	_____	you	eat	_____	_____	of	the
4	I	am	the	re -	sur -	rec -	tion,	_____	_____
5 (Yes,)	Lord,	_____	we	be -	lieve	_____	_____	that	_____



1	come	to	me	shall	not	_____	hun -	ger;	they	who	be -
2	Flesh	for	the	life	of	the	world,	_____	and	they	who
3	Flesh	of	the	Son	of	_____	Man	_____	and	_____	_____
4	I	_____	am	the	_____	life.	_____	They	who	be -	_____
5	you	_____	are	the	_____	Christ,	_____	_____	the	_____	_____



1 lieve in me shall not thirst. No one can come to
 2 eat _____ of this bread, they shall live for
 3 drink _____ of his Blood, you shall not have life with -
 4 lieve _____ in me, e - ven if they
 5 Son _____ of God who _____ has



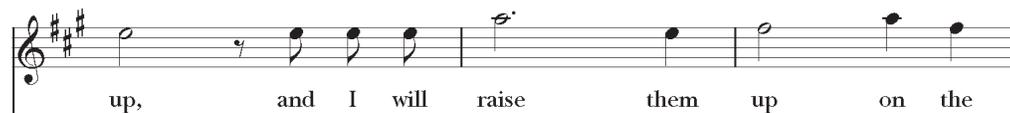
1 me _____ un - less the Fa - ther draw them.
 2 ev - er. _____ they shall live for ev - er.
 3 in you. you shall not have life with - in you.
 4 die, _____ they shall live for ev - er.
 5 come _____ in - to _____ the world. _____



And I will raise them up, and I will raise them



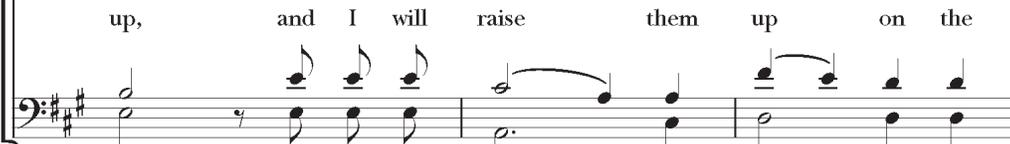
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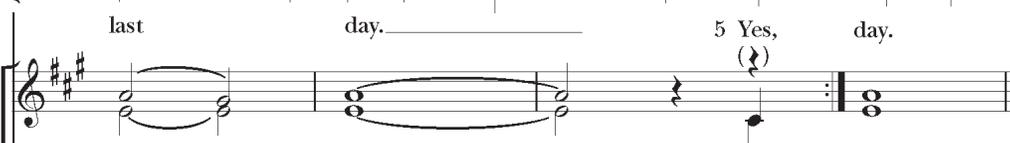
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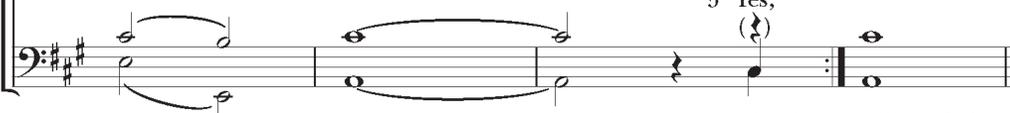
last day. _____ 5 Yes, day.



last day. _____ 2 The day.



3 Un- day.



4 _____ 5 Yes, day.

Words: Suzanne Toolan (b. 1927), adapt. of John 6.

Music: *I Am the Bread of Life*, Suzanne Toolan (b. 1927); arr. Betty Pulkingham (b. 1928)

1 Come with us, O bless - ed Je - sus, with us ev - er -
 *2 Come with us, O might - y Sa - vior, God from God, and
 *3 Come with us, O King of glo - ry, by an - gel - ic

more to be; and though leav - ing now thine
 Light from Light; thou art God, thy glo - ry
 voic - es praised; in our hearts as in thy

al - tar, let us nev - er - more leave thee.
 veil - ing, so that we may bear the sight.
 hea - ven, be en - rap - tured an - them raised.

Be thou one with us for ev - er, in our life thy
 Now we go to seek and serve thee, through our work as
 Let the might - y cho - rus ev - er sing its glad ex -

love di - vine our own flesh and blood has
 through our prayer; grant us light to see and
 ul - tant songs; let its hymn be heard for

tak - en, and to us thou giv - est thine.
 know thee, in thy peo - ple ev - ery - where.
 ev - er— peace for which cre - a - tion longs.

Words: John Henry Hopkins, Jr. (1861–1945) and Charles P. Price (1920–1999). Music: Werde munter, Johann Schop (d. 1665?); arr. and harm. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750).

1. Come, Thou fount of ev - ery bless - ing, Tune my heart to sing thy
 2. Here I raise my Eb - en - e - zer, Hith - er by thy help I'm
 3. O, to grace how great a debt - or, Dai - ly I'm con - strained to

1. grace; Streams of mer - cy nev - er ceas - ing, Call for songs of loud - est
 2. come; And I hope, by thy good pleas - ure, Sure - ly to ar - rive at
 3. be; Let that grace, Lord, like a fet - ter, Bind my wan - d'ring heart to

1. praise. Teach me some me - lo - dious son - net, Sung by flam - ing tongues a -
 2. home. Je - sus sought me when a stran - ger, Wan - d'ring from the fold of
 3. Thee. Prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel — it, Prone to leave the God I

1. bove. Praise the mount, O fix me on it. Mount of God's un - chang - ing love.
 2. God. He, to save my soul from dan - ger, In - ter - posed His pre - cious blood.
 3. love. Here's my heart, Lord, take and seal it, Seal it from thy courts a - bove.

Words: Robert Robinson (1735–1790). Music: Nettleton, melody from *A Repository of Sacred Music, Part II*, 1813; harm. Carl Haywood (b. 1949) from *Songs of Praise*.

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Almighty Father, we thank you for feeding us with the holy food of the Body and Blood of your Son, and for uniting us through him in the fellowship of your Holy Spirit. We thank you for raising up among us faithful servants for the ministry of your Word and Sacraments. We pray that Alice, Angela, Mawethu, and Marisa may be to us an effective example in word and action, in love and patience, and in holiness of life. Grant that we, with him, may serve you now, and always rejoice in your glory; 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 Celebrant blesses the people.

The peace of God, which passes 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 among you, and remain with you always. Amen.

Stand for the singing of a hymn.

1 Lo! he comes, with clouds de - scend - ing, once for
 2 Ev - ery eye shall now be - hold him, robed in
 3 Those dear tok - ens of his pas - sion still his
 4 Yea, a - men! let all a - dore thee, high on

our sal - va - tion slain; thou - sand thou - sand
 dread - ful ma - jes - ty; those who set at
 daz - zling bo - dy bears, cause of end - less
 thine e - ter - nal throne; Sa - vior, take the

saints at - tend - ing swell the tri - umph of his
 nought and sold him, pierced, and nailed him to the
 ex - ul - ta - tion to his ran - somed wor - ship -
 power and glo - ry; claim the king - dom for thine

train: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
 tree, deep - ly wail - ing, deep - ly wail - ing,
 ers; with what rap - ture, with what rap - ture,
 own: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia! Christ the Lord re - turns to reign.
 deep - ly wail - ing, shall the true Mes - si - ah see.
 with what rap - ture gaze we on those glo - rious scars!
 Al - le - lu - ia! Thou shalt reign, and thou a - lone.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707–1788). Music: *Helmsley*, melody Thomas Augustine Arne (1710–1778);
 harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872–1958), alt.

The Deacon, or the Celebrant, dismisses the Congregation.

The People respond **Thanks be to God.**

Voluntary *Come, Holy Ghost*

Bach

Ordinands, Presenters, and Vesters

Alice Graham Grant

Presenters: The Reverend Alice Courtright; Charley Grant; Philip Grant
Vesters: Benjamin Graham; Wendell Graham Grant

Angela Compton-Nelson

Presenters: The Reverend Sarah Ball-Damberg; Julie Hege; Anna Bauer
Vesters: The Reverend Jeff Nelson; The Reverend Paula Gilbert

Mawethu Ncaca

Presenters: The Reverend Karen Barfield;
The Reverend Dr. Marion Thullbery, Eldon Mncedisi Franse
Vesters: LisaNoelle Ncaca and Mila-Yendela Ncaca

Marisa Sifontes

Presenters: Rebecca Fant; The Reverend Joshua Bowron; The Reverend Eric Long
Vesters: Cole Ammons; Max Ammons

Preacher

Ellen Davis, PhD

Amos Ragan Kearns Distinguished Professor of Bible and Practical Theology, Duke Divinity School

Celebrant

The Right Reverend Anne Hodges-Copple

Ordaining Bishop

The Right Reverend Samuel S. Rodman

Chaplain to the Bishop Diocesan

The Venerable Jan Lamb

Cantor

The Reverend Clarke French

Acolytes

Jack French, Stephen Gaudette, Walker Livingston, Sophia Miller, Iris Miller

Music

Dr. William Adams, Director of Music, Church of the Holy Family; Thomas A. J. Bloom, organist

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