

# SAINT PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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and that we are recipients of and participants in that healing and restoration.*



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# The Holy Eucharist - Rite II

**W**ELCOME to St. Paul's! We are grateful for your prayers and presence on this day in the life of the parish community. We hope that your worship with us will be both inspirational and spiritually nurturing. Please feel free to participate in the worship service as much or as little as you wish. Everyone is welcome to receive Holy Communion at the Lord's table.

**O**ur worship service takes place here and online; it is also being recorded for later viewing. Feel free to greet one another as is your custom as you gather. When we are ready to start, our Angels Aloft will sound an opening bell. This signals those gathered that our service is now being recorded. Please maintain quiet and turn your attention to our opening activities at this time.

## Opening Bell

Welcome

*Celebrant*

Announcements

*Member of Vestry*

Prelude

Easter Medley

*Brass Quartet*

## Land Acknowledgement

*Celebrant*

*We acknowledge that we are on the traditional lands of the Coast Salish peoples who have reserve treaty rights to this land, including the Upper Skagit and Skagit Tribes who have stewarded this land throughout the generations. We thank these caretakers of this land, who have lived, and continue to live, here since time immemorial.*

## Mission Statement

*Presider and People:*

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**The Flowering of the Cross:** The worshipper stands before the cross to place their flower upon it with reflection and reverence. Often, families stand together at the cross, each picking out a special spot for their flower.



*The flowering of the cross represents the transition from Good Friday to Easter, from meditation on Jesus' death to joyful celebration of his resurrection.*

*The ceremony transforms a barren cross, a reminder of Jesus' death, into an Easter symbol. Covered with fresh, living flowers, the cross serves not only as an emblem of Jesus' resurrection but also of the continuing presence of Christ among today's Christians.\**

**Opening Hymn**

**Christ, the Lord, Is Risen Today**

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1 Christ the Lord is risen to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 2 Love's re-deem-ing work is done, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 3 Lives a - gain our glo-rious King, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 4 Soar we now where Christ has led, Al - le - lu - ia!

All cre - a - tion, join to say Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Fought the fight, the bat - tle won, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Where, O death, is now thy sting? Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Fol-lowing our ex - alt - ed Head, Al - le - lu - ia!

# Jesus Christ is Risen Today

*cont'd.*

Raise your joys and triumphs high, Al - le - lu - ia!  
Death in vain for - bids him rise, Al - le - lu - ia!  
Once he died our souls to save, Al - le - lu - ia!  
Made like him, like him we rise, Al - le - lu - ia!

Sing, ye heavens, and earth re - ply, Al - le - lu - ia!  
Christ has o - pened par - a - dise. Al - le - lu - ia!  
Where thy vic - to - ry, O grave? Al - le - lu - ia!  
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies. Al - le - lu - ia!

## Easter Greeting

*Please stand as able.*

Presider: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

## The Collect for Purity

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.

## Gloria: Hymn S-278

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1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and

peace to his 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 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

Presider: God be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Presider: Let us pray.

*Presider and People:*

**Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of the Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

## The Liturgy of the Word

*Please be seated.*

### A Reading From Acts 10:34-43

Peter began to speak to Cornelius and the other Gentiles: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ--he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

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Lector: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

*Presider and People:*

- 1 Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; \*  
his mercy endures for ever.
- 2 Let Israel now proclaim, \*  
“His mercy endures for ever.”
- 14 The Lord is my strength and my song, \*  
and he has become my salvation.
- 15 There is a sound of exultation and victory \*  
in the tents of the righteous:
- 16 “The right hand of the Lord has triumphed! \*  
the right hand of the Lord is exalted!  
the right hand of the Lord has triumphed!”
- 17 I shall not die, but live, \*  
and declare the works of the Lord.
- 18 The Lord has punished me sorely, \*  
but he did not hand me over to death.
- 19 Open for me the gates of righteousness; \*  
I will enter them; I will offer thanks to the Lord.
- 20 “This is the gate of the Lord; \*  
he who is righteous may enter.”
- 21 I will give thanks to you, for you answered me \*  
and have become my salvation.
- 22 The same stone which the builders rejected \*  
has become the chief cornerstone.

23 This is the Lord's doing, \*  
and it is marvelous in our eyes.

24 On this day the Lord has acted; \*  
we will rejoice and be glad in it.

### A Reading from Colossians 3:1-4

If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

*Please stand as able.*

### Gradual Hymn

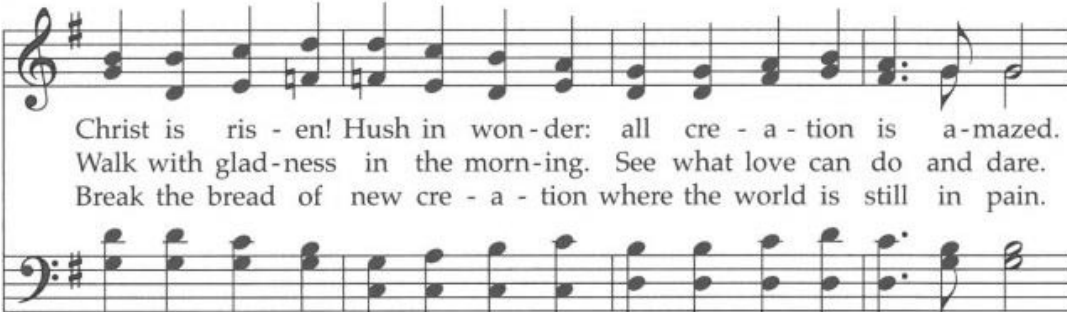
### Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!

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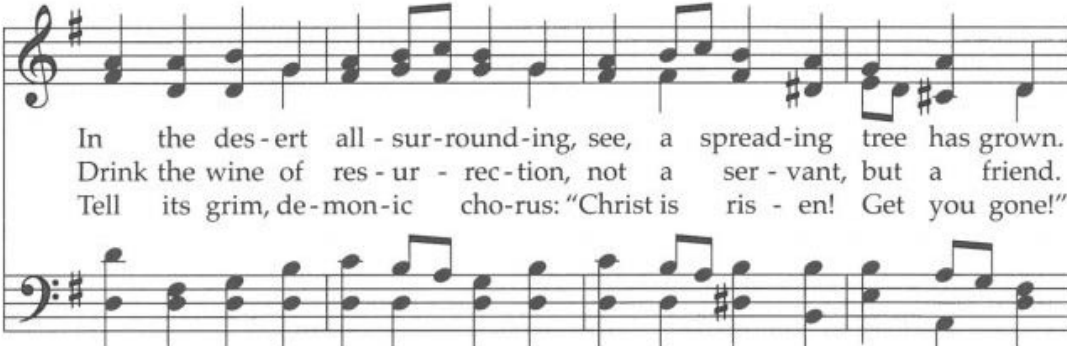
1 Christ is ris - en! Shout Ho - san - na! Cel - e - brate this day of days!  
2 Christ is ris - en! Raise your spir - its from the cav - erns of de - spair.  
3 Christ is ris - en! Earth and heav - en nev - er - more shall be the same.

The musical score is written for a single melodic line on a treble clef staff. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 2/2. The melody consists of a series of quarter and eighth notes, with some rests. The lyrics are placed below the staff, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes. The score is presented in a clean, black-and-white format.

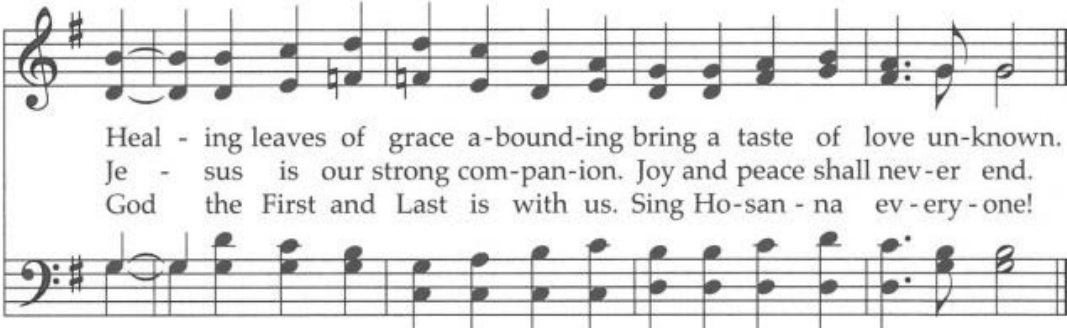




Christ is ris - en! Hush in won - der: all cre - a - tion is a - mazed.  
 Walk with glad - ness in the morn - ing. See what love can do and dare.  
 Break the bread of new cre - a - tion where the world is still in pain.



In the des - ert all - sur - round - ing, see, a spread - ing tree has grown.  
 Drink the wine of res - ur - rec - tion, not a ser - vant, but a friend.  
 Tell its grim, de - mon - ic cho - rus: "Christ is ris - en! Get you gone!"



Heal - ing leaves of grace a - bound - ing bring a taste of love un - known.  
 Je - sus is our strong com - pan - ion. Joy and peace shall nev - er end.  
 God the First and Last is with us. Sing Ho - san - na ev - ery - one!

Presider: The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to John 20:1-18

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

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes.

But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away."

Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, "Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

Presider: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

*Please be seated.*

*Please stand as able.*

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

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## The Prayers of the People

Presider: Everliving God, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

**People: That we all may be one.**

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

**That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

**That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

**That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

**That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

**That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Give to the departed eternal rest;

**Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

**May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

*Silence.*

*Here other intercessions may be offered, silently or aloud.*

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

## Confession and Absolution

Presider: Let us confess our sins to God.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Presider and People:*

God of all mercy,  
we confess that we have sinned against you,  
opposing your will in our lives.  
We have denied your goodness in each other,  
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.  
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,  
the evil we have done,  
and the evil done on our behalf.  
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us  
through our Savior Jesus Christ,  
that we may abide in your love  
and serve only your will. Amen.

*Presider speaks an Absolution.*

## The Peace / La Paz

Presider: The peace of the Lord be always with you. / La paz del Señor sea siempre con ustedes.

People: And also with you. / **Y con tu espíritu.**

*If you are worshipping with us virtually, use the chat function to “say” peace to your fellow parishioners, or text/email someone with whom you would like to share the peace of Christ.*

*Your gifts are much appreciated.*

*If you are joining this live stream, you may mail your offering/pledge to 415 S. 18th Street, Mount Vernon, WA 98274. You can also make payments online at [www.stpaulsmv.org](http://www.stpaulsmv.org)*

**Doxology** *(Sung together to the tune of “All Creatures of Our God and King”)*

**\*\* First time through Brass Quartet Only \*\***

Praise God from whom all blessings flow  
Praise God all creatures here below  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise God above ye heavenly hosts  
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Alleluia!

*Please stand as able.*

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Presider: It is truly right to glorify you, source of All, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever. Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance. Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing,

Presider and People: *Santo, santo, santo | Holy, holy, holy*

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*Español:* ¡San - to, san - to, san - to, mi co - ra -  
*English:* Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, My heart, my

zón te a - do - ra! Mi co - ra - zón te  
 heart a - dores you! My heart pours out my

The image shows a musical score for two staves. The top staff is in treble clef and the bottom staff is in bass clef. The music is written in a simple, homophonic style. The lyrics are written below the notes. The lyrics are: sa - be de - cir: san - to e - res, Se - ñor. / praise to you; You are ho - ly, Lord.

Presider: We acclaim you, holy God, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Loving God, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new. And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, the one he called his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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 all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."



Loving God, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

**Presider and People:**

**We praise you, we bless you,  
we give thanks to you,  
and we pray to you, Lord our God.**

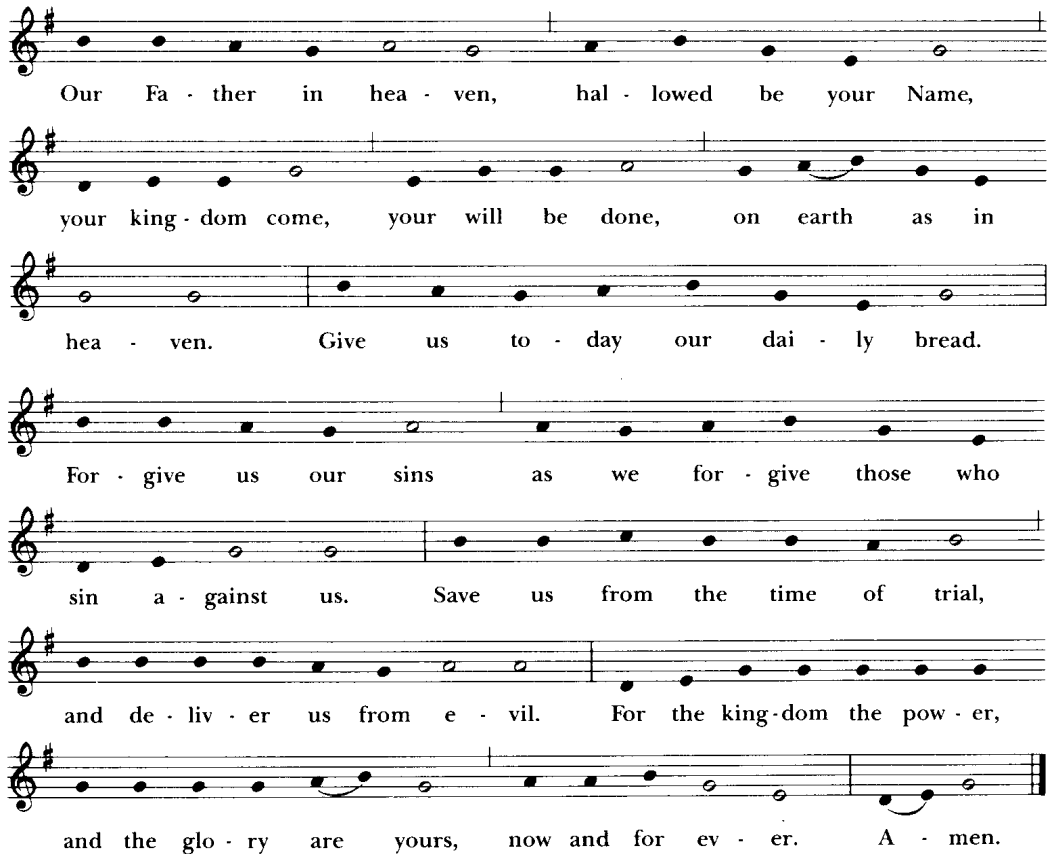
God our Creator, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace. Remember Michael, Greg, all who minister in your Church. Remember all your people, and those who seek your truth. Remember all who have died in the peace of Christ, and those whose faith is known to you alone; bring them into the place of eternal joy and light.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, St. Paul, patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God our Creator, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, forever and forever. **AMEN.**

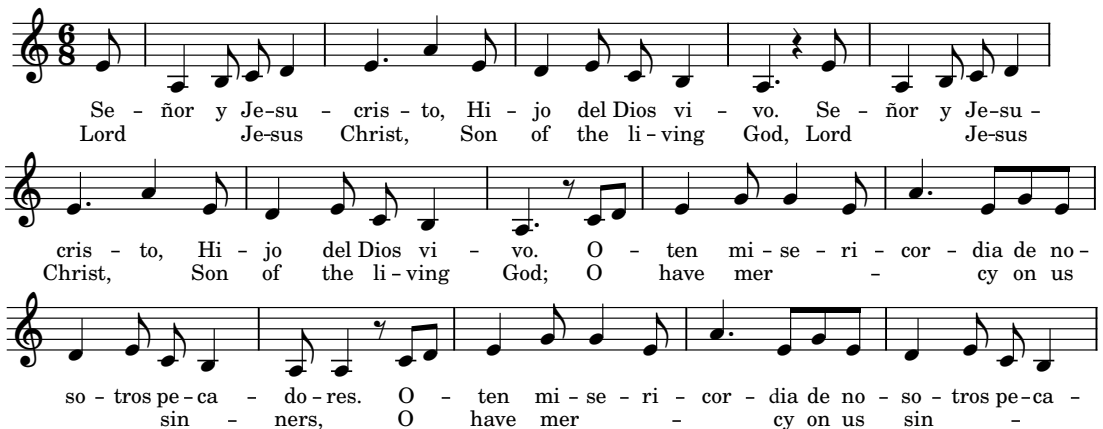
Presider: As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray:



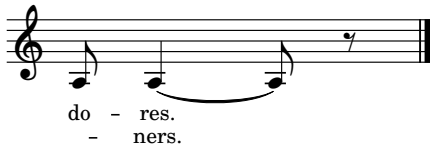
Our Fa - ther in hea - ven, hal - lowed be your Name,  
 your king - dom come, your will be done, on earth as in  
 hea - ven. Give us to - day our dai - ly bread.  
 For - give us our sins as we for - give those who  
 sin a - gainst us. Save us from the time of trial,  
 and de - liv - er us from e - vil. For the king - dom the pow - er,  
 and the glo - ry are yours, now and for ev - er. A - men.

## The Breaking of the Bread

The Fraction Song: *(Here & next page.)*



Se - ñor y Je - su - cris - to, Hi - jo del Dios vi - vo. Se - ñor y Je - su -  
 Lord Je - sus Christ, Son of the li - ving God, Lord Je - sus  
 cris - to, Hi - jo del Dios vi - vo. O - ten mi - se - ri - cor - dia de no -  
 Christ, Son of the li - ving God; O have mer - cy on us  
 so - tros pe - ca - do - res. O - ten mi - se - ri - cor - dia de no - so - tros pe - ca -  
 sin - ners, O have mer - cy on us sin -



Presider: Alleluia! We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ  
 People: We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread. Alleluia!

*Please be seated.*

*Those present, are invited to receive Holy Communion. You can approach the altar at the direction of the usher.*

*Those with us online, during these next moments of meditation, wherever you are, receive God's gifts to you.*

*We share spiritual communion today.*

**Communion Hymn**

**I Come With Joy to Meet My Lord**

*Here & next page.*

1. I come with joy, a child of God, For -  
 2. I come with Chris - tians far and near To  
 3. As Christ breaks bread, and bids us share, Each  
 4. The Spir - it of the ris - en Christ, Un -  
 5. To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound By

# I Come With Joy to Meet My Lord

*cont'd.*



giv - en, loved, and free,      The life of Je - sus  
 find, as all are fed,      The new com - mu - ni -  
 proud di - vi - sion ends.      The love that made us,  
 seen, but ev - er near,      Is in such friend - ship  
 all that God has done,      We'll go with joy, to

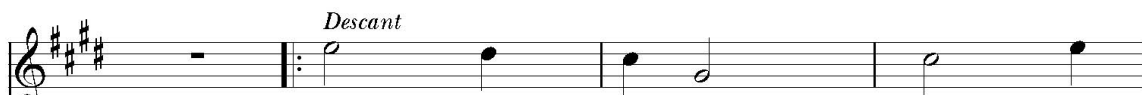


to re - call,      In love laid down for me.  
 ty of love      In Christ's com - mu - nion bread.  
 makes us one,      And stran - gers now are friends.  
 bet - ter known,      A - live a - mong us here.  
 give the world      The love that makes us one.

## Communion Hymn

## Jesus is Lord of All the Earth

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*Descant*  
 Al - le - lu - ia,      al - le -



*Refrain*  
 Al - le - lu - ia,      al - le - lu - ia! Give thanks to the



lu - ia,      al - le - lu - ia!



ris - en Lord. Al - le - lu - ia,      al - le - lu - ia! Give

# Jesus is Lord of All the Earth

*cont'd.*

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*Final Ending*

Praise to his Name. Name.

Praise to his Name. Name.

1 Je - sus is Lord of all the earth.  
2 Spread the good news o'er all the earth:  
3 We have been cru - ci - fied with Christ.  
4 Come, let us praise the liv - ing God,

*Repeat Refrain*

He is the King of cre - a - tion.  
Je - sus has died and has ris - en. Al - le -  
Now we shall live for ev - er.  
joy - ful - ly sing to our Sa - vior.

## Sending out of Eucharistic Visitors:

*The Presider sends forth the Eucharistic Minister with a blessing:*

Presider: We who are many are one body

**People: Because we all share one bread, one cup.**

Presider: In the name of God and of this congregation we send you forth, bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

**People: As you have been fed, now feed others in the name of Christ.**

Presider: Our prayers go with you, go in peace. **Amen.**

## Post Communion Prayer

Presider: Let us pray.

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

## Blessing

1 Crown him with man - y crowns, the Lamb up - on his throne; Hark!  
 2 Crown him the Son of God be - fore the worlds be - gan, and  
 3 Crown him the Lord of life, who tri - umphed o'er the grave, and  
 4 Crown him of lords the Lord, who o - ver all doth reign, who

1 how the heaven - ly an - them drowns all mu - sic but its own; a -  
 2 ye, who tread where he hath trod, crown him the Son of man; who  
 3 rose vic - to - rious in the strife for those he came to save; his  
 4 once on earth, the in - car - nate Word, for ran - somed sin - ners slain, now

# Crown Him with Many Crowns

*cont'd.*

1 wake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee, and  
 2 ev - ery grief hath known that wrings the hu - man breast, and  
 3 glo - ries now we sing who died, and rose on high, who  
 4 lives in realms of light, where saints with an - gels sing their

1 hail him as thy match-less King through all e - ter - ni - ty.  
 2 takes and bears them for his own, that all in him may rest.  
 3 died, e - ter - nal life to bring, and lives that death may die.  
 4 songs be - fore him day and night, their God, Re - deem - er, King.



## Dismissal

*The presider dismisses the people, adding the “Alleluia, Alleluia!” from which we have refrained during the season of Lent.*

Presider: Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia, Alleluia!

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

*- You are invited to enjoy the gift of postlude music and then greet your friends - afterwards.*

Postlude

The Strife Is O'er

Brass Quartet

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*Offertory - Thank you for giving!*

Please drop your offering in the church's mailbox or mail it to:

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## Serving Today:

### 9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist

Presider:	The Reverend Paul Moore
Deacon:	Rev. Dennis Taylor, Rev. Vicki Johnson
Music Director:	David Sloat
Eucharistic Ministers:	Mary Ann Taylor, Margie Adams
Greeters:	Melissa Swanber, Jeffery Dean
Lector(s):	Margie Lauer, Nicole Smith
Counters:	Margie Lauer, Sharon Johnson

St. Paul's Prayer Team prays daily for those on the prayer list.

Please email Penny Worrell at [penny.worrell@gmail.com](mailto:penny.worrell@gmail.com).

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## Announcements for April 9, 2023

**Welcome to our guests:** We are so glad that you are worshipping with us today! Please put your name and contact information in our guest book so that we may get to know you better.

**Save the Date:** April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 6-8 p.m. we will host Kay Knott and Jay Bowen of the Upper Skagit Tribe for an evening of food and fellowship. They will continue to share with us the experience of their tribe, especially the legacy of residential schools. As Kay said, "It's not your fault, but if you are to understand us, you must understand our story." A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the Parish Hall. Please note your intention to attend so we can plan food accordingly.

**Art in the Narthex:** We welcome the art of parishioners to be displayed in the narthex. If you have something you would like to share for a time, please contact Margie Lauer to make arrangements. [margie.lauer@gmail.com](mailto:margie.lauer@gmail.com)

### ***Like what you see here?***

You can leave a note in the offering plate, or call the office (424-1822) or email: [stpaulmv@comcast.net](mailto:stpaulmv@comcast.net). Join us any Sunday. Please know that Pentecost is on Sunday, May 28 this year if you only hit the high Holy Days - Come and see!

### ***E-news!***

To receive our weekly reflection and electronic news email filled with insightful and inspiring messages (or just what the good Lord filled us with that day), please send an email to [stpaulmv@comcast.net](mailto:stpaulmv@comcast.net).

## *Welcome to Saint Paul's!*

**W**e hope that your worship with us will be both inspirational and spiritually nurturing. Please feel free to participate in the worship service as much or as little as you wish. The prayer book gives directions as to when we stand, sit, or occasionally kneel; these are guidelines. What is more important is that you bring your complete self to worship God.

**E**veryone is welcome to receive Holy Communion at the Lord's table. We use real wine in the cup. If you wish to receive only a blessing, simply cross your arms in front of you as the priest approaches. If you do not want to drink from the chalice, keep the piece of bread on your open palm, and present it to the chalice bearer, who will then dip the bread into the wine and place it on your tongue. Non-gluten bread is also available. Please inform us if this is your preference. We ask that those worshipping with us online reverently pray and meditate on God's grace and blessing whenever you observe the Eucharist being taken.



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