

The People stand or kneel. The Celebrant continues
And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

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 he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,
We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our Fathers; God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.
Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

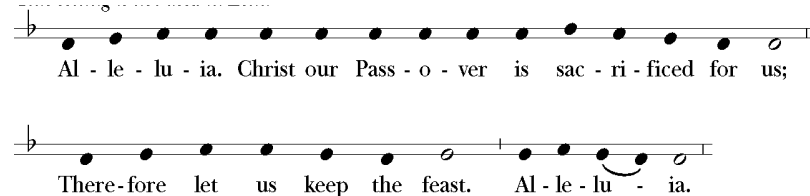
Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. AMEN.

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

The Celebrant and People say
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence is kept. The Celebrant and people sing the Fraction Anthem



The Celebrant continues
The Gifts of God for the People of God. (Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.)

Music at Communion

Duet He shall feed his flock (*from Messiah*) G. F. Handel

He shall feed His flock like a shepherd; and He shall gather the lambs
With His arm, and carry them in His bosom, and gently lead those that are
With young.

Come unto Him, all ye that labor, come unto Him that are heavy laden, and
He will give you rest. Take His yoke upon you, and learn of Him, for He
Is meek and lowly of heart, and ye shall find rest unto your souls

Jonathan Leonard, countertenor
Rebecca Andrews, soprano

The General Thanksgiving

Celebrant and People
Accept, O Lord, our thanks and praise for all that you have done for us. We thank you for the splendor of the whole creation, for the beauty of this world, for the wonder of life,

and for the mystery of love. We thank you for the blessing of family and friends, and for the loving care which surrounds us on every side. We thank you for setting us at tasks which demand our best efforts, and for leading us to accomplishments which satisfy and delight us. We thank you also for those disappointments and failures that lead us to acknowledge our dependence on you alone. Above all, we thank you for your Son Jesus Christ; for the truth of his Word and the example of his life; for his steadfast obedience, by which he overcame temptation; for his dying, through which he overcame death; and for his rising to life again, in which we are raised to the life of your kingdom. Grant us the gift of your Spirit, that we may know him and make him known; and through him, at all times and in all places, may give thanks to you in all things. Amen.

The Blessing

The Celebrant blesses the people.

In Procession, Hymn 397 "Now thank we all our God" Nun Danket

The Dismissal

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

Voluntary Trumpet Finale Francesco Manfredini

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*The flowers, fruits and vegetables at the High Altar are given to the glory of God,
in thanksgiving for all that is gracious in our lives.*

Celebrate the First Sunday of Advent Sunday, November 28, 2021 Happy New (Liturgical) Year!

- Advent Wreath Making at 11 a.m. in Burwell Court. The supplies to make a beautiful, fresh evergreen wreath cost \$15 for a wire wreath form and \$20 for a brass form. No Christian Formation classes so that all may enjoy making a wreath.
- Advent Procession of Lessons & Carols at 5 p.m. in the Cathedral. Join us for this candlelit dramatic liturgy in movement. The procession symbolizes the bringing of light into darkness in anticipation of the coming of Christ. The Cathedral Choir sings carols from many lands and many ages.



THANKSGIVING DAY FESTAL HOLY EUCHARIST



November 25, 2021

10:00 a.m.

ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL

Jacksonville, Florida

Welcome to St. John's Cathedral!

In the period before the service we commend the keeping of silence for prayer, reflection, and quiet preparation. We are delighted to celebrate with you today and we look forward to seeing you again.

Voluntary Trumpet Tune Duet Jeremiah Clarke
Three movements from *Water Music* G. F. Handel
I. Allegretto, II. Allegretto, III. Allegro
The Cathedral Brass

Introit I Will Give Thanks Gardner Evans

I will give thanks with my whole heart to the Lord. O do well unto thy servant, that I may live and keep thy word. Quicken thou me, O Lord, according to thy mercy.

In Procession, Hymn 290 "Come, ye thankful people, come" St. George's Windsor

When all have gathered the Celebrant says

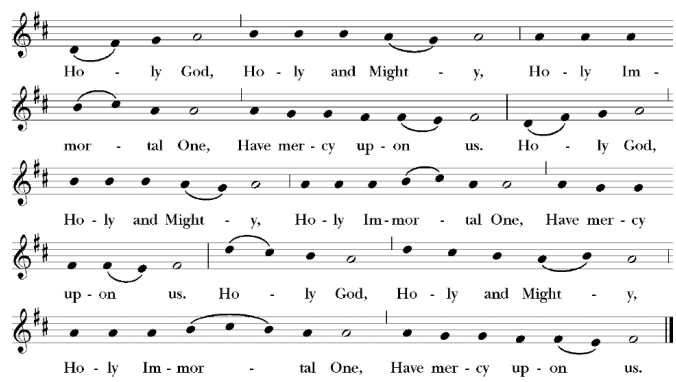
Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

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

The Celebrant and people say

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 Trisagion Hymnal, S-100 David Hurd



Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

The Collect of the Day

Almighty and gracious Father, we give you thanks for the fruits of the earth in their season and for the labors of those who harvest them. Make us, we pray, faithful stewards of your great bounty, for the provision of our necessities and the relief of all who are in need, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The People are seated.

The Lesson Joel 2:21-27

Lector A Reading from the Book of Joel.

Do not fear, O soil; be glad and rejoice, for the Lord has done great things! Do not fear, you animals of the field, for the pastures of the wilderness are green; the tree bears its fruit, the fig tree and vine give their full yield. O children of Zion, be glad and rejoice in the Lord your God; for he has given the early rain for your vindication, he has poured down for you abundant rain, the early and the later rain, as before. The threshing floors shall be full of grain, the vats shall overflow with wine and oil. I will repay you for the years that the swarming locust has eaten, the hopper, the destroyer, and the cutter, my great army, which I sent against you. You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied, and praise the name of the Lord your God, who has dealt wondrously with you. And my people shall never again be put to shame.

You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel, and that I, the Lord, am your God and there is no other. And my people shall never again be put to shame.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

A period of silence follows the reading.

The choir sings

Psalm 126 BCP 782 George M. Garrett

The People stand.

Hymn 291 "We plow the fields and scatter the good seeds" *Wir pflugen*

The Gospel Matthew 6:25-33

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you-- you of little faith? Therefore do not worry, saying, 'What will we eat?' or 'What will we drink?' or 'What will we wear?' For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well."

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon The Rev. Gee Alexander

The People stand.

The Litany of Thanksgiving

The Celebrant says

Let us give thanks to God our Father for all his gifts so freely bestowed upon us.

The Leader and the People pray responsively

For the beauty and wonder of your creation, in earth and sky and sea,

We thank you, Lord.

For all that is gracious in the lives of men and women, revealing the image of Christ,

We thank you, Lord.

For our daily food and drink, our homes and families, and our friends,

We thank you, Lord.

For minds to think, and hearts to love, and hands to serve,

We thank you, Lord.

For health and strength to work, and leisure to rest and play,

We thank you, Lord.

For the brave and courageous, who are patient in suffering and faithful in adversity,

We thank you, Lord.

For all valiant seekers after truth, liberty, and justice,

We thank you, Lord.

For the communion of saints, in all times and places,

We thank you, Lord.

Above all, we give you thanks for the great mercies and promises given to us in Christ Jesus our Lord;

To him be praise and glory, with you, O Father, and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Welcome and Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Offertory Jubilate Deo Charles Wood

O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands: serve the Lord with gladness, and come before his presence with a song. Be ye sure that the Lord he is God; it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise; be thankful unto him, and speak good of his Name. For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting; and his truth endureth from generation to generation. As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Hymn 380, stanza 3 "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow" *Old 100th*

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer C, BCP 369

The People stand.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Peoples' responses are in italics. The Celebrant continues

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

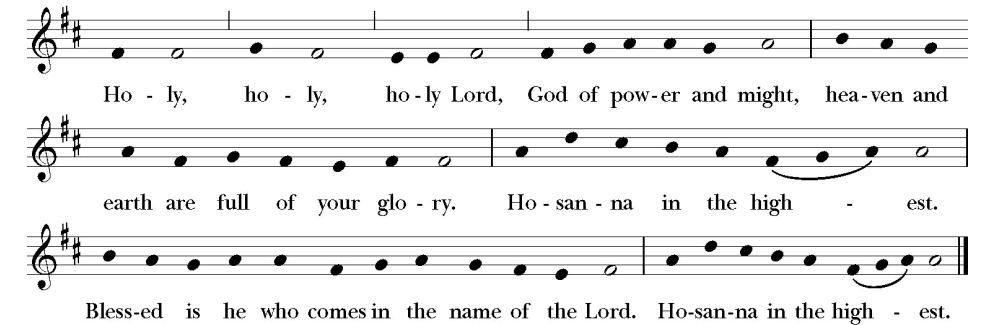
By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

By



his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Celebrant and People

Hymnal, S-124

David Hurd