



# *Eastertide at Saint Peter's*

The Second Sunday of Easter



Sunday, April 27, 2025  
10:30 in the morning



# THE HOLY EUCHARIST

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*Kindly enter the worship space quietly and reverently, so that all those seeking stillness may find it. We invite you, too, into a time and space of holy stillness. The following prayers are provided to assist you in your preparation for worship.*

## A Prayer for Quiet Confidence

*O God of peace, you have taught us that in returning and rest we shall be saved, and that in quietness and in confidence we shall find our strength: By the might of your Spirit lift us, we pray, to your presence, where we may be still and know that you are God; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

## A Prayer for the Spirit of Grace and Supplication

*O Almighty God, you pour out on all who desire it the spirit of grace and of supplication: Deliver us, when we draw near to you, from coldness of heart and wanderings of mind, that with steadfast thoughts and kindled affections we may worship you in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

## THE PRELUDE

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Guest  
Registration

*Please stand for the Processional Hymn.*

# THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN

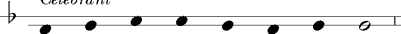
ST. ALBINUS

“Jesus lives! thy terrors now”

*The Hymnal, 194*

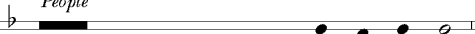
## THE EASTER ACCLAMATION

*Celebrant*



✠ Al - le - lu - ia. Christ is ris - en.

*People*



The Lord is risen indeed. Al - le - lu - ia.

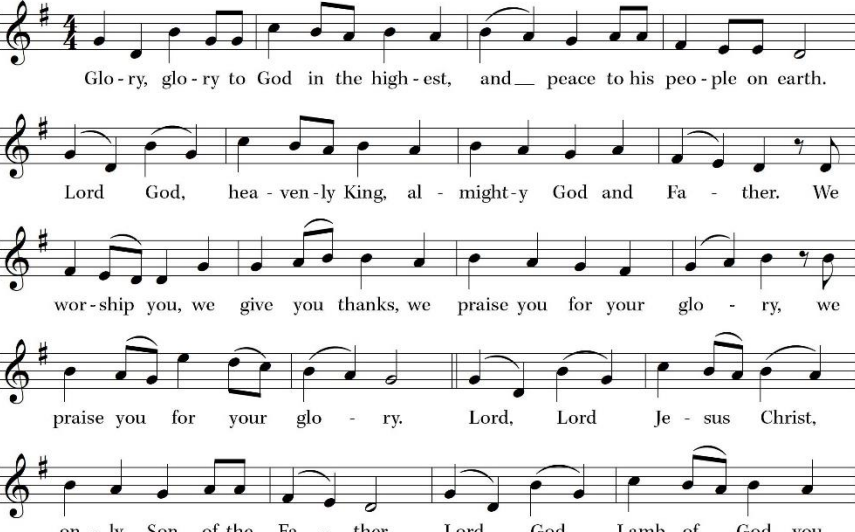
## THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

*Chanted*

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 GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

*Deutsche Messe*



Glo-ry, glo-ry to God in the high-est, and — peace to his peo-ple on earth.

Lord God, hea-ven-ly King, al - might-y God and Fa - ther. We

wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry, we

praise you for your glo - ry. Lord, Lord Je - sus Christ,

on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of — God, you

take a - way the sin of the world, have mer - cy on us, — you are seat - ed  
 at the right hand of the Fa - ther, re - ceive our prayer, re - ceive our prayer.  
 For — you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord.  
 You a - lone are the Most — High, Je - sus Christ, —  
 with the — Ho - ly Spir - it ✠ in the glo - ry of God the  
 Fa - ther. A - men. A - men.

**THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

*Chanted*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

*Please kneel for the Collect.*

Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*Please be seated for the First Lesson.*

**THE FIRST LESSON**

Acts 5:27-32

A reading from Acts.

When the temple police had brought the apostles, they had them

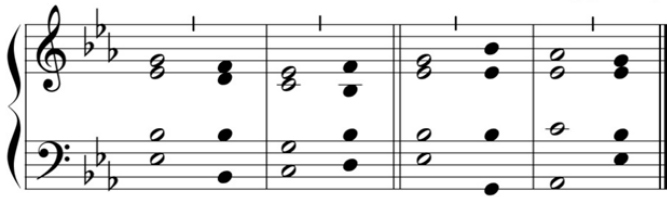
stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, saying, "We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us." But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than any human authority. The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

## THE PSALTER

Psalm 150



Hallelujah! Praise God in his holy<sup>1</sup> temple; |  
praise him in the firmament of his<sup>1</sup> power. ||

Praise him for his mighty<sup>1</sup> acts; |  
praise him for his excellent<sup>1</sup> greatness. ||

Praise him with the blast of the ram's-<sup>1</sup> horn; |  
praise him with lyre and<sup>1</sup> harp. ||

Praise him with timbrel and<sup>1</sup> dance; |  
praise him with strings and<sup>1</sup> pipe. ||

Praise him with resounding<sup>1</sup> cymbals; |  
praise him with loud-clanging<sup>1</sup> cymbals. ||

Let everything that has<sup>1</sup> breath |  
praise the Lord. Halle-<sup>1</sup>lujah! ||

A reading from Revelation.

John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand for the Gradual Hymn and Holy Gospel.*

**THE GRADUAL HYMN**

VREUCHTEN

"This joyful Eastertide"

*The Hymnal, 192*

**THE HOLY GOSPEL**

John 20:19-31

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

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

**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they

are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe." A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

The Gospel of the Lord.  
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

## **THE SERMON**

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The Reverend Canon Ezgi Saribay Perkins, *The Rector*

*Please stand for the Nicene Creed.*

## **THE NICENE CREED**

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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. *(please bow or genuflect)*  
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.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He 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**

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Let us pray.

*Please kneel for the Prayers of the People.*

Eternal God, creator and preserver of all, and provider of grace to all who toil together in the hope of meaningful living: continue your saving work through your Spirit in our midst.

**Give grace to your servants, O Lord.**

Grant that our lives, and Mother Ezgi, departing this congregation, may continue to be instruments for serving the common good, with time for leisure, for new growth and service.

**Give grace to your servants, O Lord.**



Grant that as Mother Ezgi departs, leaving both the accomplishments and trials of the time of service at St. Peter's, that those of this congregation and in this community hold a sense of gratitude for those who have shared this journey.

**Give grace to your servants, O Lord.**

Give Mother Ezgi thankfulness for all who have supported this journey. Give thankfulness to all those who have shared her journey with us. May traveling this path together give insights for helping others know and serve God.

**Give grace to your servants, O Lord.**

Grant Mother Ezgi wisdom and understanding in the ordering of her life, that this departure may be blessed with a positive, hopeful perspective, so future years may be valued and productive, in service to you.

**Give grace to your servants, O Lord.**

Give forgiveness to us and to Mother Ezgi for all things done and left undone in our common life.

**Give grace to your servants, O Lord.**

Grant to the people of St. Peter's the vision to continue on God's journey, to fulfill the common mission that all people might know God and love each other through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Give grace to your servants, O Lord.**

Grant to our Parish the awareness of those who have gone before us, a thankfulness for their abiding faith, and a willingness to ever seek the kingdom of God, both in this place and beyond its walls.

**Give grace to your servants, O Lord.**

To you, O Lord, be the power and glory, now and forever.  
**Amen.**

*Please stand for the Peace.*

## THE PEACE

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The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
And also with you.

## THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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*See the Parish Announcements included with this leaflet.*

### ENGAGE WITH US

Using QR codes is an easy way for you to register as a visitor, send in prayer requests, or make a donation. All you have to do is:

1. **Open the camera app on your smartphone.**
2. **Point the viewfinder at the QR code.**
3. **Click the link that pops up.**
4. **Fill in the secure online form.**

### *VISITORS*



### *PRAYER REQUESTS*



### *DONATIONS*



## THE OFFERTORY SENTENCE

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Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

## THE OFFERTORY HYMN

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PICARDY

“Let all mortal flesh keep silence”

*The Hymnal, 324*

*Please stand for Orate Fratres and the Great Thanksgiving.*

## THE ORATE FRATRES

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Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God the Father Almighty.

May the Lord receive this sacrifice at your hands, to the praise and glory of his Name, both to our benefit and that of all his holy Church.

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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*Celebrant*                      *People*  
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

*Celebrant*                      *People*  
Lift up your hearts. 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.

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, 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,

## THE SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

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*Deutsche Messe*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might. —



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord, God of power and might.\_\_\_\_



Hea - ven and earth are full,\_\_\_\_ full\_\_\_\_ of your glo - ry. Ho-



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



✠ Bless - ed is he who comes\_\_\_\_ in the name of the Lord.\_\_\_\_



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

*The people kneel.*

## **THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

## **Eucharistic Prayer D**

We acclaim you, holy Lord, 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.

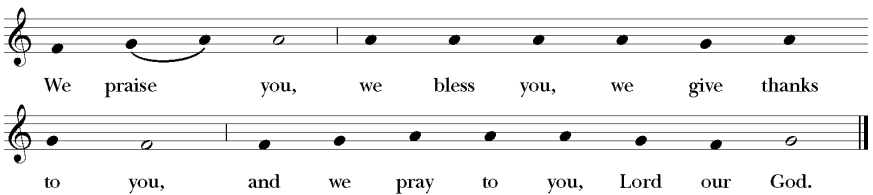
Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. 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, 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 many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.” ✠

Father, 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.



The image shows two staves of musical notation in G-clef (treble clef) with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is simple and consists of quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are written below the notes.

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

Lord, 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.

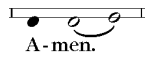
Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

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.

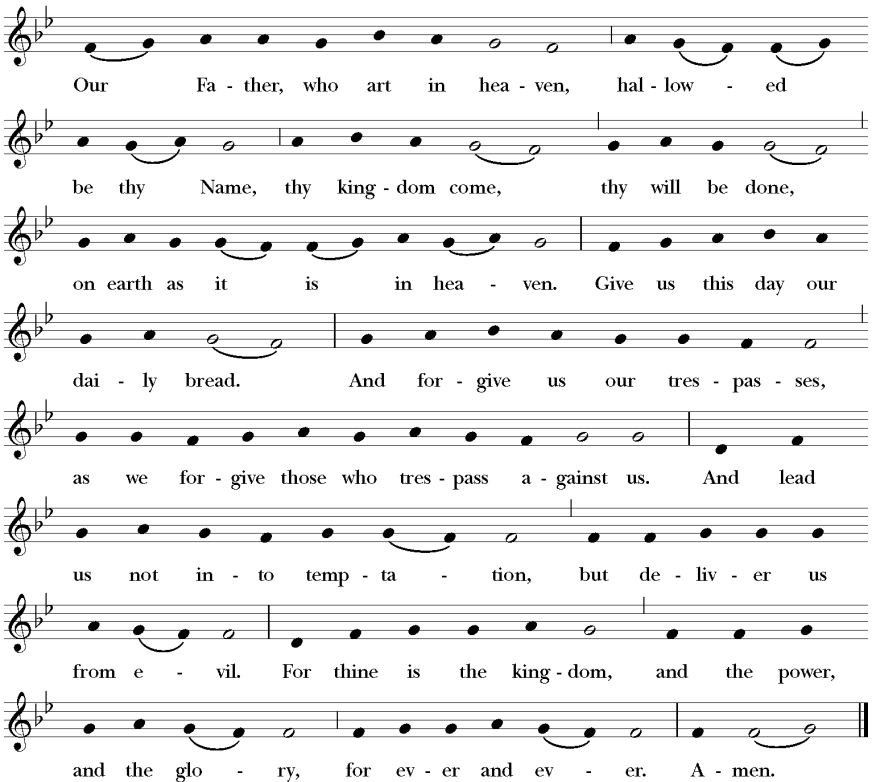
And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, with Blessed Peter and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever.



## THE LORD'S PRAYER

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



Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed  
be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our  
dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pas - ses,  
as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead  
us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us  
from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power,  
and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

# THE FRACTION


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*Please observe a moment of holy silence.*

## THE FRACTION ANTHEM


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*Antiphon*  
*Cantor; then All*




The dis - ci - ples    knew the Lord Je - sus    in the break - ing    of the bread.

*Cantor*




1. The bread    which    we    break,                    al - le - lu - ia,




is the com - mun - ion    of the bo - dy            of            Christ. [Ant.]

*Cantor*



2. One bo - dy    are    we,                    al - le - lu - ia,



for though    man - y    we                    share    one            bread. [Ant.]

## THE INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

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The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*We invite you to pray the following prayer silently before receiving Communion.*

*Be present, be present, O Jesus, our great High Priest, as you were present with your disciples, and be known to us in the breaking of bread; who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.*

## THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE HOLY SACRAMENT

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*All baptized Christians regardless of denomination are invited to come to the altar rail and receive the Holy Sacrament. Those who are unbaptized are encouraged to come to the rail and receive a blessing.*

Should you wish to receive a blessing, indicate this by folding your arms across your chest.

*We invite you to pray the following prayer silently after receiving Communion.*

*O Lord Jesus Christ, who in a wonderful Sacrament has left for us a memorial of your passion: Grant us, we pray, so to venerate the sacred mysteries of your Body and Blood, that we may ever perceive within ourselves the fruit of your redemption; who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.*

## **THE COMMUNION VOLUNTARY**

*Please be seated for the Post-Communion Hymn.*

### **THE POST-COMMUNION HYMN**

**ST. BOTOLPH**

“We walk by faith, and not by sight”

*The Hymnal, 209*

### **THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

*Please kneel for the Post-Communion Prayer.*

Eternal God,

**heavenly Father,**

**you have graciously accepted us as living members**

**of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,**

**and you have fed us with spiritual food**

**in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.**

**Send us now into the world in peace,**

**and grant us strength and courage**

**to love and serve you**

**with gladness and singleness of heart;**

**through Christ our Lord. Amen.**



*Please be seated for the Resignation.*

## **THE RESIGNATION**

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On the twenty-seventh day of January, 2020, I was inducted by Bishop Matthew to serve this Diocese and this Parish. I have, with God's help and to the best of my abilities, exercised this trust, accepting its privileges and responsibilities. After prayer and careful consideration, it has been discerned that I should leave this charge, and I do solemnly conclude my tenure on this day.

Do you, the people of this congregation, recognize and accept the conclusion of this pastoral relationship?

**We do.**

## **THE FAREWELL BLESSING**

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The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face to shine upon, and be gracious to you. **Amen.**

The Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace. And the blessing of God Almighty, ✠ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

## **THE RECESSIONAL HYMN**

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ST. ANNE

“O God, our help in ages past”

*The Hymnal, 680*

## **THE DISMISSAL**

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*Deacon*



Let us bless the Lord, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

*People*



Thanks be to God, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

*We invite you to pray the following prayer silently before exiting the pew.*

*Grant, Almighty God, that the words which we have heard today with our outward ears, may, through your grace, be grafted inwardly in our hearts, that they may bring forth in us the fruit of good living, to the honor and praise of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

## **THE POSTLUDE**

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*Please join us in the Parish Hall for a time of fellowship and coffee.*



## **THE PARISH LEADERSHIP**

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