

ST. FRANCIS' EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2024

Service begins here at both 8am and 10:30am.

PRELUDE 10:30am

SHALL WE GATHER AT THE RIVER

ARR. NATALIE SORENSON

GATHERING SONG

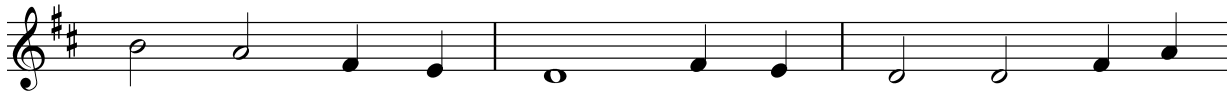
COME THOU FOUNT OF EVERY BLESSING

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We begin by praising God through song and prayer. Stand. At 8am, sing verse 1. At 10:30am, sing all verses.



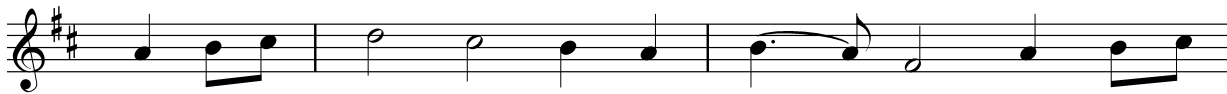
1 Come, thou fount of ev - ery bless - ing, tune my  
2 Here I find my great - est trea - sure; hith - er,  
3 Oh, to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly



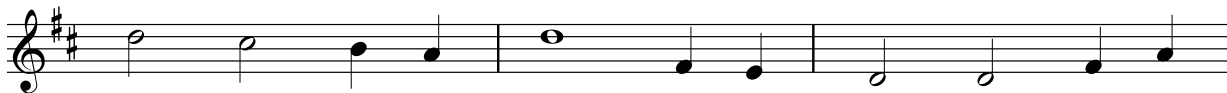
heart to sing thy grace! Streams of mer - cy nev - er  
by thy help, I've come; and I hope, by thy good  
I'm con - strained to be! Let thy good - ness, like a



ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.  
plea - sure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home.  
fet - ter, bind my wan - dering heart to thee:



Teach me some me - lo - dious son - net, sung by  
Je - sus sought me when a stran - ger wan - dering  
prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it, prone to



flam - ing tongues a - bove. Praise the mount! Oh, fix me  
from the fold of God; he, to res - cue me from  
leave the God I love; here's my heart, oh, take and



on it, mount of God's un - chang - ing love.  
dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.  
seal it, seal it for thy courts a - bove.

## **GREETING**

*Standing before the assembly, the Presider welcomes the community to worship.*

Presider            Blessed be the One, Holy and Living God.

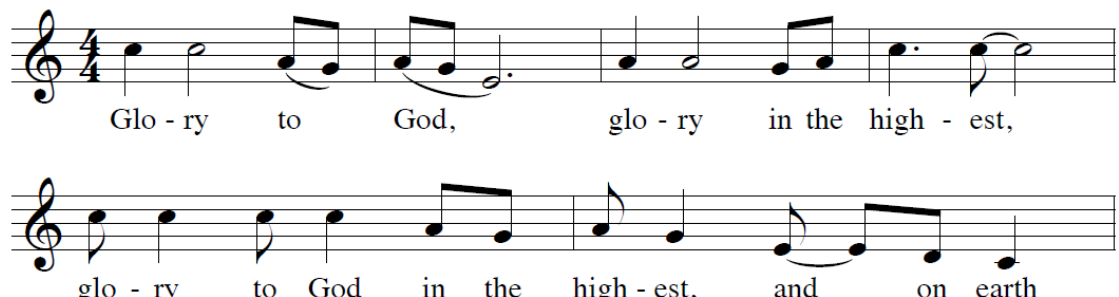
People             **Glory to God, for ever and ever. Amen.**

Presider            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.

People             **Amen.**


**GLORIA** At 8am, only refrain sung twice. At 10:30, all sung.

Refrain:



Glo - ry to God, glo - ry in the high - est,  
glo - ry to God in the high - est, and on earth

*To Verses*



peace to peo - ple of good will.

1. We praise you,  
we bless you, we adore you,  
we glorify you,  
we give you thanks for your great glory, for your great glory  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
O God, almighty Father. **Refrain**

2. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
you take away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us;  
you take away the sins of the world,  
receive our prayer;  
you are seated at the right hand, the right hand of the Father,  
have mercy on us. **Refrain**

3. For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. **To Amen below**



A - men, a - men, a men, a - men,



A - men, a - men, a - men, a - men.

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider            The Lord be with you.

People             **And also with you.**

Presider            Let us pray.

*The Presider continues with the prayer appointed for the day, called the collect.*

*The collect is written to go along with both the season of the church year and the readings for the day. It summarizes the attributes of God as revealed in the scripture for the day.*

O God, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People             **Amen.**

## WE HEAR THE SACRED STORIES *Sit.*

*We hear the stories of the experience of God from our spiritual ancestors. Reading and commenting on scripture goes back to the earliest services of Christianity. Following the pattern of Jewish synagogue worship, readings follow a set pattern for what will be read when.*

## THE FIRST LESSON: A READING FROM HEBREW SCRIPTURES

Reader            A reading from the Book of Ruth.

3:1-5; 4:13-17

Naomi her mother-in-law said to Ruth, "My daughter, I need to seek some security for you, so that it may be well with you. Now here is our kinsman Boaz, with whose young women you have been working. See, he is winnowing barley tonight at the threshing floor. Now wash and anoint yourself, and put on your best clothes and go down to the threshing floor; but do not make yourself known to the man until he has finished eating and drinking. When he lies down, observe the place where he lies; then, go and uncover his feet and lie down; and he will tell you what to do." She said to her, "All that you tell me I will do."

So Boaz took Ruth and she became his wife. When they came together, the Lord made her conceive, and she bore a son. Then the women said to Naomi, "Blessed be the Lord, who has not left you this day without next-of-kin; and may his name be renowned in Israel! He shall be to you a restorer of life and a nourisher of your old age; for your daughter-in-law who loves you, who is more to you than seven sons, has borne him." Then Naomi took the child and laid him in her bosom, and became his nurse. The women

of the neighborhood gave him a name, saying, "A son has been born to Naomi." They named him Obed; he became the father of Jesse, the father of David.

Hear what the Holy Spirit is saying to God's people.

People

**Thanks be to God.**

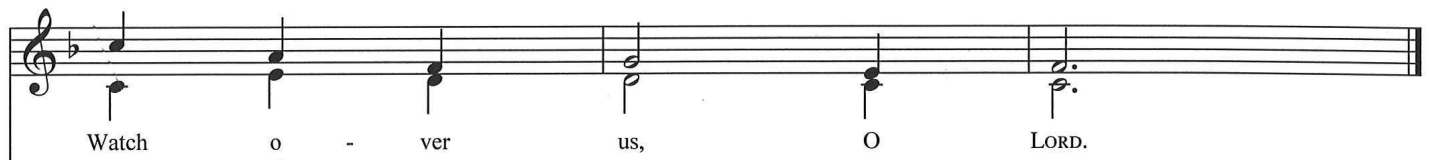
## PSALM OF THE DAY

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*The psalms are a part of the poetry of the Hebrew people. They express joy and sadness; loneliness and thanksgiving as part of the human longing to be united with God.*

*At 8am, the congregation reads the antiphon together. At 10:30, the congregation sings the antiphon together.*

### Antiphon:



Unless the Lord builds the house,  
their labor is in vain who build it.

Unless the Lord watches over the city,  
in vain the watchman keeps his vigil. **ANTIPHON**

It is in vain that you rise so early and go to bed so late;  
vain, too, to eat the bread of toil,  
for he gives to his beloved sleep. **ANTIPHON**

Children are a heritage from the Lord,  
and the fruit of the womb is a gift.

Like arrows in the hand of a warrior  
are the children of one's youth.

Happy is the man who has his quiver full of them!  
he shall not be put to shame  
when he contends with his enemies in the gate. **ANTIPHON**

## THE SECOND LESSON: A READING FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT WRITINGS

Reader A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

9:24-28

Christ did not enter a sanctuary made by human hands, a mere copy of the true one, but he entered into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. Nor was it to offer himself again and again, as the high priest enters the Holy Place year after year with blood that is not his own; for then he would have had to suffer again and again since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the age to remove sin by the sacrifice of himself. And just as it is appointed for mortals to die once, and after that the judgment, so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin, but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

Hear what the Holy Spirit is saying to God's people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

### GOSPEL HYMN: PREPARING TO HEAR THE GOSPEL *Stand.*

*We stand, as we are able, for the Gospel reading to show the particular importance we place on Jesus' words and actions, and sing the Gospel Hymn.*

8AM

#### CELTIC ALLELUIA



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**10:30AM** We sing verse 1 before the Gospel is read.

1 O - pen your ears, O faith - ful peo - ple,  
 2 They who have ears to hear the mes - sage,

o - pen your ears and hear God's word. O - pen your hearts, O  
 they who have ears, then let them hear. They who would learn the

roy - al priest - hood, God has come to you. *Fine*  
 way of wis - dom, let them hear God's word.

God has spo - ken to his peo - ple, Hal - le - lu - jah!

And his words are words of wis - dom, Hal - le - lu -

jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! God has spo - ken to his peo - ple,  
 To - rah o - ra, To - rah o - ra,

Hal - le - lu - jah! And his words are  
 To - rah o - ra,

words of wis - dom, Hal - le - lu - jah! *Da Capo*  
 To - rah o - ra, Hal - le - lu - jah!

## THE PROCLAMATION OF THE GOSPEL

Deacon God is with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Mark.

12:38-44

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

As Jesus taught, he said, "Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at banquets! They devour widows' houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation."

He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. Then he called his disciples and said to them, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on."

*At the end of the Gospel the Deacon says*

Deacon                The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**GOSPEL HYMN** *At 10:30am, verse 2 on the previous page is sung one time through.*

**THE SERMON** *Sit.*

**THE REV. LAURIE ANZILOTTI**

*We remain seated for the sermon. Having someone comment on the scriptures read goes back to the earliest days of Christianity and to the Jewish Synagogue worship which preceded it.*

**THE NICENE CREED** *Stand.*

*The is a gender expansive version of the Nicene Creed adapted by Bishop Deon.*

Deacon                We affirm our faith in the One, Holy and Living God.

People                **We believe in one God, the Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in Jesus Christ, the only One of God, eternally begotten of the Creator, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Creator. Through Christ all things were made. For us and for our salvation, Christ came down from heaven, was incarnate by the Holy Spirit, and born of the Virgin Mary, and became truly human. For our sake, Jesus was crucified under Pontius Pilate, suffered death, and was buried. On the third day, Christ rose again in accordance with the Scriptures, ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God. Christ will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and the kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Giver of life, who proceeds from the Creator, who with the Creator and the Christ is worshipped and glorified, and who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy, universal, 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

*Prayer changes people. Prayer is not about changing God but about changing us more into the likeness of God. Collectively and individually we offer the hopes and desires of our hearts to God. The Deacon offers the prayers for those who are sick or have asked our prayers.*

Deacon: God of heaven and earth, through Jesus Christ you promise to hear us when we pray to you in faith with thanksgiving. Therefore we come to you with grateful hearts asking you, God of Love, grant our prayer.

*After each prayer, the people reply, "**grant our prayer.**"*

Presider: Merciful God, you look with compassion on all who turn to you. Hear the prayers of your people. Grant that what we have asked in faith we may by your grace receive; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

*As we enter in to worship we ask God's forgiveness for things done and things left undone and things done on our behalf so that we may be reconciled to each other and to God.*

Deacon Let us confess our sins to God.

*Silence is kept for a time.*

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 Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

People **Amen.**

## THE EXCHANGE OF THE PEACE

*As we enter the most sacred portion of our worship we exchange a sign of God's promised peace. There are no set words to use in greeting each other, but "Peace be with you," "God's peace," and "Shalom" are all commonly used.*

Presider            The Peace of Christ be always with you.

People             **And also with you.**

Presider            Let us offer each other a sign of Christ's peace.

*As a community of reconciliation and peace, we greet each other with a sign of our desire for peace.*

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS *Sit.*

## BIRTHDAY BLESSING

Deacon            Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their heart may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People             **Amen.**

## GATHERING AT CHRIST'S TABLE

*Having been nourished from the richness of God's love in sacred story and reconciled to each other through prayer and peace, we gather at Christ's table to offer ourselves to be transformed for service in the world. We listen to or sing a hymn to continue to prepare our hearts and minds for the Eucharistic Prayers to come.*

## **\*THE OFFERTORY** 10:30 only

*The gifts of bread, wine, money and other gifts are offered by the assembly to be set apart or consecrated as a reminder of Christ's sacrificial love and life. Once the Holy Table or Altar is prepared, the Presider and people give thanks to God for the many gifts we have been given by standing and singing our praise.*

## MEDITATION HYMN 8:00am

## GOD OF THE WOMEN

## BY CHOIR OF THE HOLY COMMUNION IN U. CITY

God of the women who answered your call,  
Trusting your promises, giving their all,  
Women like Sarah and Hannah and Ruth —  
Give us their courage to live in your truth.

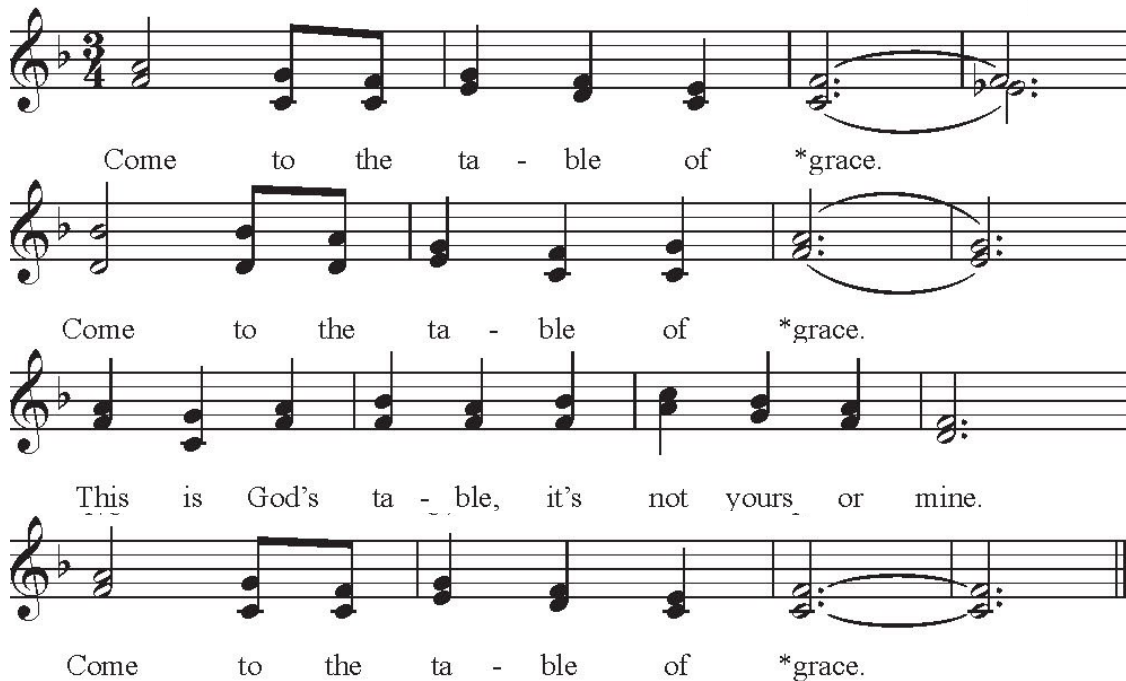
God of the women who walked Jesus' Way,  
Giving their resources, learning to pray,  
Mary, Joanna, Susanna, and more —  
May we give freely as they did before.

God of the women who ran from the tomb,  
Prayed with the others in that upper room,  
Then felt your Spirit on Pentecost Day —  
May we so gladly proclaim you today.

*From here, continue to the yellow bulletin labelled "An Order for The Celebration of The Holy Eucharist," page 4, and return to this green insert for Communion Hymn and Sending Hymn.*

## COMMUNION HYMN

## COME TO THE TABLE OF GRACE



Come to the ta - ble of \*grace.

Come to the ta - ble of \*grace.

This is God's ta - ble, it's not yours or mine.

Come to the ta - ble of \*grace.

\*Additional stanzas:  
2 peace; 3 love; 4 joy; 5 hope

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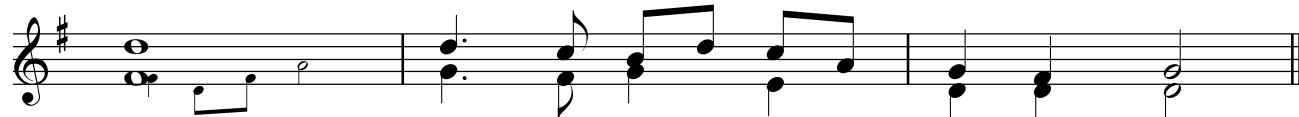
1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, on thy peo - ple pour thy power;  
 2 Lo! the hosts of e - vil round us scorn thy Christ, as - sail his ways!



crown thine an - cient Church's sto - ry; bring her bud to glo - rious flower.  
 From the fears that long have bound us free our hearts to faith and praise:



Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, for the fac - ing of this  
 grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, for the liv - ing of these



hour,  
 days, for the fac - ing of this hour.  
 for the liv - ing of these days.

*Continue to the yellow bulletin labelled "An Order for The Celebration of The Holy Eucharist," p. 11.*

*You are welcome to take this green insert home with you for prayer or pondering.*