

THE PARISH OF CHRIST THE REDEEMER  
PELHAM, NEW YORK



THE THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT  
(LENT 3, YEAR A)

THE HOLY EUCHARIST  
10:00 AM, MARCH 8, 2026

## ABOUT CHRIST CHURCH

The Parish of Christ the Redeemer (known as Christ Church) is the Episcopal Church in Pelham, New York. The Episcopal Church is part of the Anglican Communion which is made up of 85 million people in over 165 countries and is the third largest Christian denomination in the world. Christ Church was founded in 1843 and is the first house of worship in Pelham. This building was consecrated on September 15, 1843, the original church building was expanded in 1910, and the sanctuary was reconstructed in 1968 to allow for the current, more intimate worship space. Our congregation draws primarily from Pelham, New Rochelle, Mount Vernon, and the Bronx, and includes people from diverse denominational and cultural backgrounds.

## ABOUT LENT

Lent is the season when the Church prepares to celebrate Holy Baptism at the *Easter Triduum*. During Lent the Church invites her members to participate in the works of the Spirit that will help bring to faith those who are preparing to die and to rise in Christ. For those who are already baptized, prayer, penance and active works of mercy are the ordinary means by which the Christian community helps its members prepare for the *Triduum*. According to the gospels of Matthew, Mark and Luke, Jesus Christ spent 40 days fasting in the desert, where he endured temptation by Satan. Lent may have originated as a mirroring of this, fasting 40 days as preparation for Easter. Every Sunday (including each Sunday in Lent) is observed as a Feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ, commemorating his resurrection, and thus every Sunday is considered a feast day on which fasting is inappropriate. Christians are called by the Church to observe the ordinary weekdays of Lent by special acts of discipline and self-denial in commemoration of the crucifixion of the Lord. In addition, the ordinary Fridays of Lent are traditionally days of abstinence from flesh meats. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are traditionally days of strict fasting and abstinence.

Throughout Lent our service begins with a Penitential Rite. On the First Sunday in Lent the Great Litany is offered as the Penitential Rite. On the other Sundays in Lent the Penitential Rite is the Confession and Decalogue.



## **CHILDREN, NURSERY CARE, AND SUNDAY SCHOOL**

Children of all ages are always welcome in church. Childcare is available in the Nursery every Sunday during the 10:00 AM Eucharist. Sunday School is offered during the academic year. Sunday School children join the rest of the congregation for the Holy Communion. Scan the QR code to register for Sunday School.



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## **2026 STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN: PLEDGE TODAY**

Our pledge goal this year is \$550,000 which accounts for cost increases. We want every parishioner to pledge. Your continued support ensures we have excellent clergy and staff, keeps our buildings beautiful and safe, and funds our programs and ministries.

## ORGAN PRELUDE

*The prelude is offered before worship as a form of prayer. Once the prelude begins, please refrain from conversation in the church or outside the Sacristy.*

Pavana

Thomas Morley 1557-1603

## PROCESSION HYMN (#152)

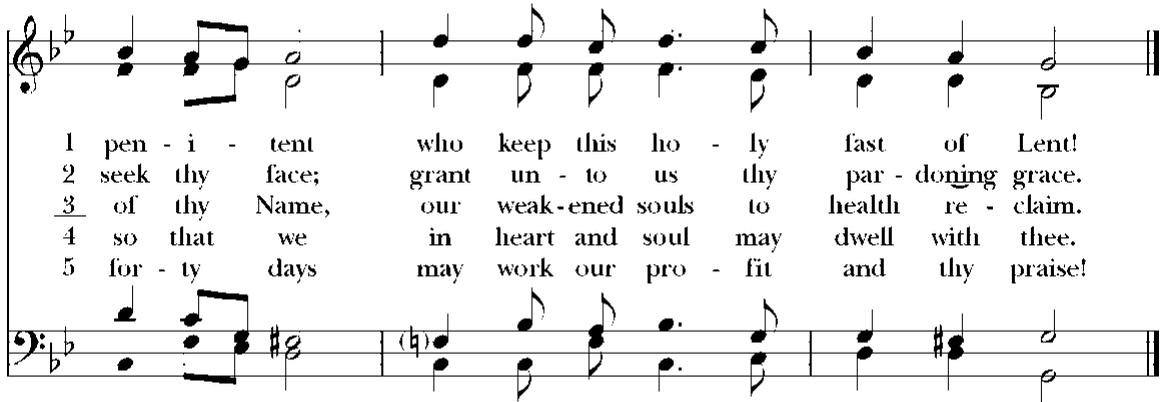
*All stand and sing the hymn as the minister enter.*



1 Kind Ma - ker of the world, O hear the fer - vent  
2 Each heart is man - i - fest to thee; thou know - est  
3 Spare us, O Lord, who now con - fess our sins and  
4 Give us the dis - ci - pline that springs from ab - sti -  
5 Grant, O thou bless - ed Trin - i - ty; grant, O un -



1 prayer, with man - ya tear poured forth by all the  
2 our in - fir - mi - ty; now we re - pent, and  
3 all our wick - ed - ness, and, for the glo - ry  
4 nence in out - ward things with in - ward fast - ing,  
5 chang - ing Un - i - ty; that this our fast of



1 pen - i - tent who keep this ho - ly fast of Lent!  
 2 seek thy face; grant un - to us thy par - doning grace.  
 3 of thy Name, our weak - ened souls to health re - claim.  
 4 so that we in heart and soul may dwell with thee.  
 5 for - ty days may work our pro - fit and thy praise!

Words: St. Gregory the Great (540-604); ver. *Hymnal 1940*, alt.  
 Music: *A la venue de Noël*, melody from *Fleurs des Noël*s, 1535

## THE PENITENTIAL ORDER

*Celebrant* Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

*People* His mercy endures for ever.

*The people kneel (as they are able). Silence is observed.*

*Celebrant* Hear the commandments of God to his people: I am the Lord your God who brought you out of bondage. You shall have no other gods but me.

*People* Amen. Lord have mercy.

*Celebrant* You shall not make for yourself any idol.

*People* Amen. Lord have mercy.

*Celebrant* You shall not invoke with malice the Name of the Lord your God.

*People* Amen. Lord have mercy.

*Celebrant* Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.  
*People* **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

*Celebrant* Honor your father and your mother.  
*People* **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

*Celebrant* You shall not commit murder.  
*People* **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

*Celebrant* You shall not commit adultery.  
*People* **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

*Celebrant* You shall not steal.  
*People* **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

*Celebrant* You shall not be a false witness.  
*People* **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

*Celebrant* You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.  
*People* **Amen. Lord have mercy.**

*Celebrant* Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord your God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these."

*All* **Amen.**

*Deacon*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*All*

**Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word and deed  
by what we have done and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

*Celebrant*

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.

*All*

**Amen.**

## KYRIE ELEISON

*All stand and sing Hymnal S-91, Lord, have mercy (English for the Greek “Kyrie eleison”).*

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up -  
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -  
on us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -

on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Lord, have mer-cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

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## COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Almighty God, you know that we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves: Keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls, that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

*All* **Amen.**

## FIRST LESSON: EXODUS 17:1-7

*All are seated.*

*Reader* A Reading from Exodus.

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarreled with Moses, and said, “Give us water to drink.” Moses said to them, “Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?” But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, “Why did you

bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?” So Moses cried out to the Lord, “What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me.” The Lord said to Moses, “Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink.” Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the Lord, saying, “Is the Lord among us or not?”  
The Word of the Lord.

*People*

**Thanks be to God.**

## **GRADUAL: PSALM 95**

*Venite, exultemus*

*All remain seated while the choir sings the psalm to plainchant.*

Come, let us sing to the Lord; \*

let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.

Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving \*

and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God, \*

and a great King above all gods.

In his hand are the caverns of the earth, \*

and the heights of the hills are his also.

The sea is his, for he made it, \*

and his hands have molded the dry land.

Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, \*

and kneel before the Lord our Maker.

For he is our God,

and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. \*

Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

Harden not your hearts,

as your forebears did in the wilderness, \*

at Meribah, and on that day at Massah,  
when they tempted me.  
They put me to the test, \*  
though they had seen my works.  
Forty years long I detested that generation and said, \*  
"This people are wayward in their hearts;  
they do not know my ways."  
So I swore in my wrath, \*  
"They shall not enter into my rest."

## **THE SECOND LESSON: ROMANS 5:1-11**

*All are seated.*

*Reader*

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans.

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person— though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life. But more than that, we even boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

The Word of the Lord.

*People*

**Thanks be to God.**

# SEQUENCE HYMN (#685)

All stand and sing the hymn.

1 Rock of a - ges, cleft for me, let me hide my - self in thee;  
2 Should my tears for ev - er flow, should my zeal no lan - guor know,  
3 While I draw this fleet - ing breath, when mine eye - lids close in death,

let the wa - ter and the blood from thy wound - ed side that flowed,  
all for sin could not a - tone: thou must save, and thou a - lone;  
when I rise to worlds un - known and be - hold thee on thy throne,

be of sin the dou - ble cure, cleanse me from its guilt and power.  
in my hand no price I bring, sim - ply to thy cross I cling.  
Rock of a - ges, cleft for me, let me hide my - self in thee.

Words: Augustus Montague Toplady (1740–1778), alt.

Music: *Toplady*, Thomas Hastings (1784–1872)

Meter: 77. 77. 77

## THE HOLY GOSPEL: JOHN 4:5-42

*All remain standing for the Gospel.*

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

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

*Deacon* Jesus came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon. A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." The woman said to him, "Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?" Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life." The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water." Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come back." The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!" The woman said to him, "Sir, I see that you are a prophet. Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem." Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth."

The woman said to him, “I know that Messiah is coming” (who is called Christ). “When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us.” Jesus said to her, “I am he, the one who is speaking to you.” Just then his disciples came. They were astonished that he was speaking with a woman, but no one said, “What do you want?” or, “Why are you speaking with her?” Then the woman left her water jar and went back to the city. She said to the people, “Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messiah, can he?” They left the city and were on their way to him. Meanwhile the disciples were urging him, “Rabbi, eat something.” But he said to them, “I have food to eat that you do not know about.” So the disciples said to one another, “Surely no one has brought him something to eat?” Jesus said to them, “My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to complete his work. Do you not say, ‘Four months more, then comes the harvest’? But I tell you, look around you, and see how the fields are ripe for harvesting. The reaper is already receiving wages and is gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. For here the saying holds true, ‘One sows and another reaps.’ I sent you to reap that for which you did not labor. Others have labored, and you have entered into their labor.” Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman’s testimony, “He told me everything I have ever done.” So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there two days. And many more believed because of his word. They said to the woman, “It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the Savior of the world.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

*People*

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## THE SERMON

*All are seated for the sermon by the Rev. Matthew Hossie Mead, Rector.*

## NICENE CREED

*All stand and join in saying the Nicene Creed.*

*Celebrant*      We believe in one God,  
*All*                **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.  
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 PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE**

- Deacon* Let us pray for the Church and for the world.  
Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. Lord, in your mercy
- People* **Hear our prayer.**
- Deacon* Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. Lord, in your mercy
- People* **Hear our prayer.**
- Deacon* Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory. Lord, in your mercy
- People* **Hear our prayer.**
- Deacon* Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. Lord, in your mercy
- People* **Hear our prayer.**
- Deacon* Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. Lord, in your mercy
- People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Deacon* We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. Lord, in your mercy

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

*Our prayers are asked for Sean our Presiding Bishop, Matthew and Allen our Bishops, Father Matt our Rector, Mother Meredith, Deacon Chisara, and our Wardens, Officers, and Vestry members. We pray also for:, Gina, Jenny, Mike, Bill, Tom, Julie, Anne, Kristen, Ari, Jennifer, Marion, Sam, Elaine, Sheila, Amy, Alice, Barbara, Janet, Sandy, Beth, Ingrid, Didi, Tim, Chris, Marilyn, Alison, Bob, Robert, Allison, Hildy, Jordan, Cathy, Tom, Bill, Mike, Sara, David, Drue, Kevin, Brian, Helen, and M&D. We pray for those in our Armed Services especially: Sean, Dylan, Gus, Chuck, Sam, Helen, Joseph, Philip, Jake, Matthew, Robert, Nicholas, Mitchel, Alec, Jonah, Tia, Tyrese, Terrence. We also pray for those who have died. May their souls, and the souls of the departed rest in peace, Amen. We give thanks for those celebrating birthdays this week, especially Lucy Dolan (3/8), Poppy Edwards (3/9), Valerie Micciche (3/10), Danielle Ganpat (3/11), Grayce Cooper (3/12), Charles McKee (3/14), David Weild (3/14).*

## THE PEACE

*All stand.*

*Celebrant* The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Then the Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

## WELCOME & OFFERTORY SENTENCE

*All are seated. The announcements conclude with the offertory sentence.*



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## HOLY COMMUNION IN THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

*All baptized persons, including children, are full members of the Body of Christ and are invited to participate in every aspect of the service and receive the Holy Communion. Members of other Christian churches who are baptized are also invited to receive the Body and Blood of Christ. Persons who do not wish to receive Holy Communion are also invited to come forward with everyone else to receive a blessing (cross your arms over your chest to indicate that you want a blessing and not Holy Communion).*

## OFFERTORY ANTHEM

*During the anthem the gifts of bread and wine are prepared at the altar and an offering is taken.*

Wash me thoroughly from my wickedness

Samuel Sebastian Wesley 1810-1876

Wash me thoroughly from my wickedness and forgive me all my sin.

For I acknowledge my faults and my sin is ever before me.

*All stand as the offering is brought to the altar and blessed during an organ improvisation.*

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*All remain standing. The chanted parts may be said at the discretion of the Priest Celebrant.*

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* And al - so 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 God thanks and praise.

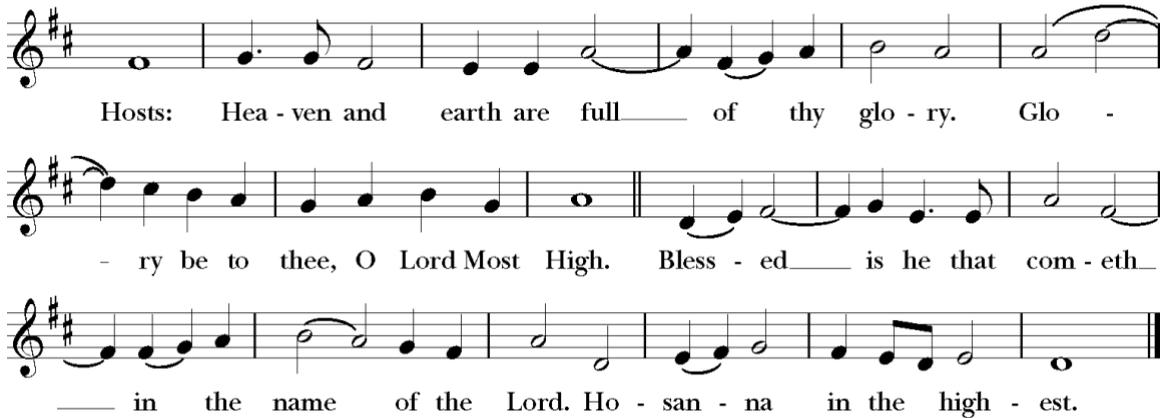
*Celebrant* It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

*The Celebrant continues with the Proper Preface assigned for the day.*

*Celebrant* Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

*All sing "Holy, holy, holy" (#S 114)*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of



Hosts: Hea - ven and earth are full of thy glo - ry. Glo -  
 - ry be to thee, O Lord Most High. Bless - ed is he that com - eth  
 in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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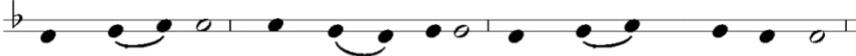
*The people stand or kneel.*

*Celebrant* Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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.”

*Celebrant*   
There-fore we proclaim the myst-er-y of faith:

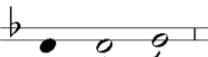
*People*   
Christ has died. Christ is ris-en. Christ will come a-gain.

*Celebrant* We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him.

Sanctify ✠ us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By ✠ him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father,

*Celebrant*   
now and for ev - er.

*People*   
A - MEN.

*Celebrant* And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,  
*All* **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.

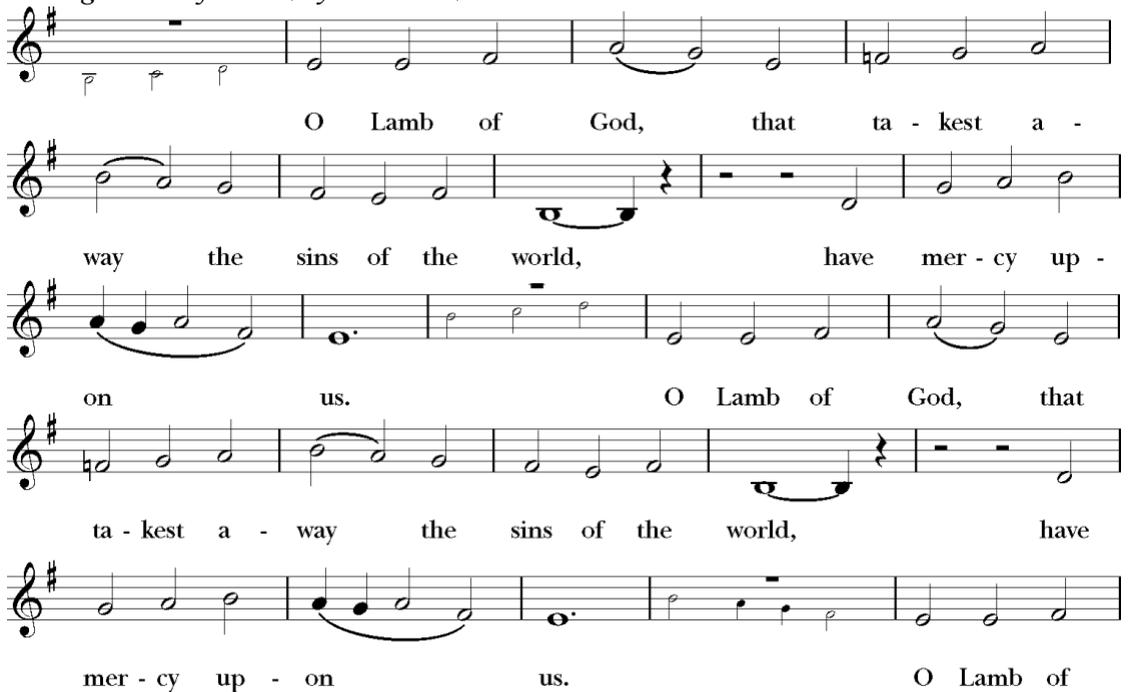
## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread. A period of silence is observed.*

*Celebrant*  Christ our Pass-ov-er is sac-ri-ficed for us;

*People*  There-fore let us keep the feast.

*All sing "Lamb of God" (Hymn #S 158)*



O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a -  
 way the sins of the world, have mer - cy up -  
 on us. O Lamb of God, that  
 ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, have  
 mer - cy up - on us. O Lamb of

God, that ta - kest a - way the sins of the  
world, grant us thy peace.

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## INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

*The Celebrant invites the people to receive the Holy Communion. All baptized persons, including children, are invited to receive Holy Communion. Members of other Christian churches who are baptized are also invited to receive the Body and Blood of Christ. Persons who do not wish to receive Holy Communion are invited to come forward with everyone else to receive a blessing (cross your arms over your chest to indicate that you want a blessing).*

## COMMUNION ANTHEM

*During the ministration of Holy Communion, the choir sings an anthem.*

Agnus Dei

Morley

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nostri.  
*Lamb of God, who take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.*

## POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

*All kneel as you are able.*

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*All* **Almighty and ever living God,  
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food  
of the most precious Body and Blood  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;  
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries  
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,  
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.  
And now, Father, send us out  
to do the work you have given us to do,  
to love and serve you  
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.  
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

# POST COMMUNION HYMN (#149)

*All stand and sing the hymn.*

*Unison or harmony*

1 E - ter - nal Lord of love, be - hold your Church  
2 So dai - ly dy - ing to the way of self,  
3 If dead in you, so in you we a - rise,

walk - ing once more the pil - grim way of Lent,  
so dai - ly liv - ing to your way of love,  
you the first - born of all the faith - ful dead;

led by your cloud by day, by night your fire,  
we walk the road, Lord Je - sus, that you trod,  
and as through ston - y ground the green shoots break,

moved by your love and toward your pres - ence bent:  
 know - ing our - selves bap - tized in - to your death:  
 glo - rious in spring - time dress of leaf and flower,

far off yet here— the goal of all de - sire.  
 so we are dead and live with you in God.  
 so in the Fa - ther's glo - ry shall we wake.

Words: Thomas H. Cain (b. 1931)  
 Music: *Old 124th*, melody *Pseaumes octante trois de David*, 1551; harm. Charles Winfred Douglas (1867–1944)  
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## SOLEMN PRAYER & DISMISSAL

*All remain standing.*

*Celebrant* Let us bow our heads and pray for God's blessing.

*Silence is observed. The celebrant then offers either the Solemn Prayer assigned for this day in Lent or a Blessing, after which the people respond, Amen.*

*Deacon* Let us the bless the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

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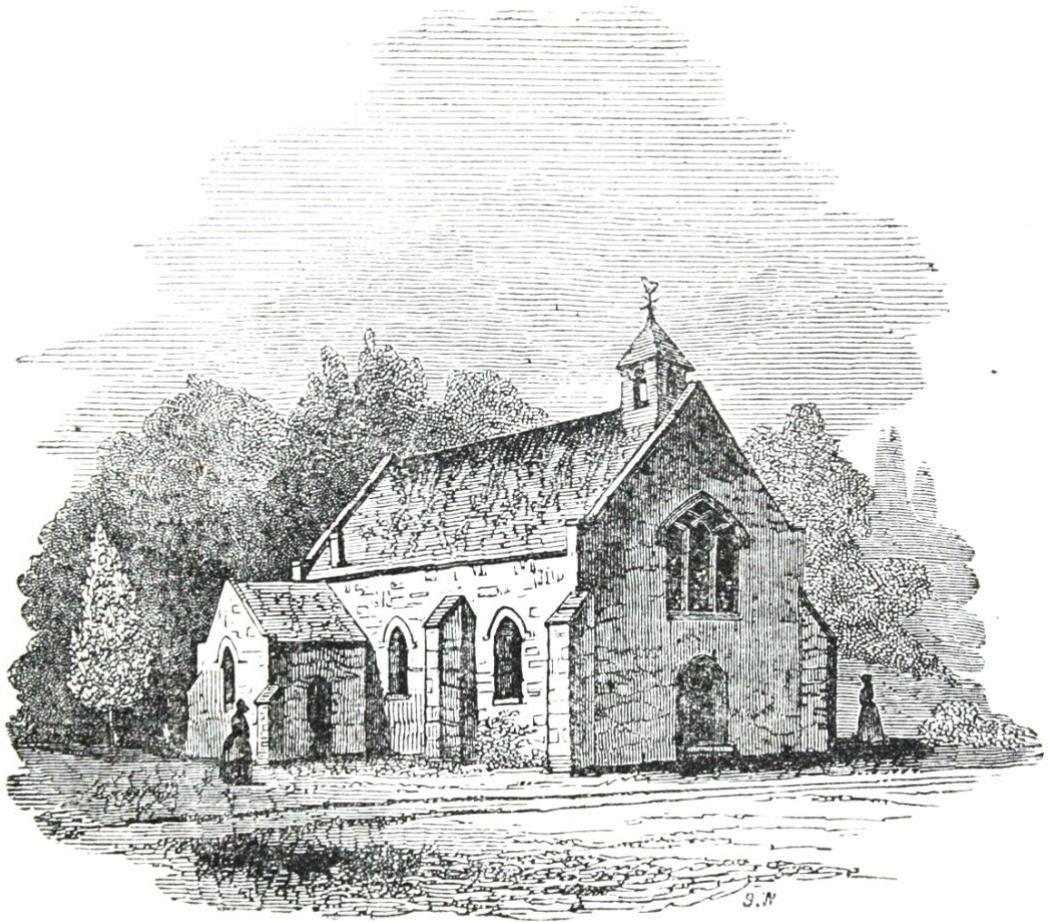
*All remain standing as the altar party processes from the Sanctuary during the Postlude. Once the altar party has departed, please be seated and be courteous to those who are listening to the music by remaining quiet.*

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### Dr. J's Music Notes

Samuel Sebastian Wesley was a 19th-century English composer and organist, recognized as the premier church music composer of his era. He served at major cathedrals including Hereford, Exeter, and Gloucester, championing reforms in Anglican music. His most famous works include the anthems *Blessed be the God and Father*, *The Wilderness*, and the hymn tune *Aurelia*. He is very often referred to as S.S. Wesley to avoid confusion with his father Samuel Wesley who was also a composer.



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