The Holy Thanksgiving of the People of God

for The Feast of Christ the King at Saint Peter's Episcopal Church Lebanon, Indiana 46052

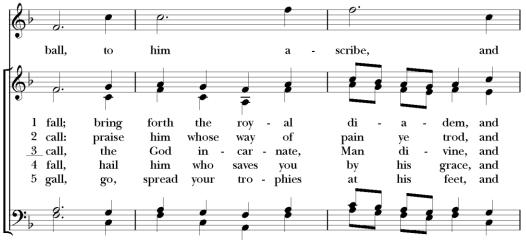
Our Entrance into an Awareness of God's Presence

The people stand as they are able. The Processional Hymn

All hail the power of Jesus' Name

Hymnal 450







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The Presider says: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

The People respond: And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Presider may pray:

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.

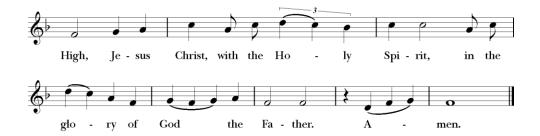
The People respond: Amen.

All sing God's praise:

The Gloria

The following is sung, all standing





The Prayer of the Day

The Presider greets the people in Jesus Christ:

The Lord be with you.

The People respond: And also with you.

The Presider: Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Our Liturgy of the Word of God

The people sit. Readings are on the insert in the bulletin.

The Reading from the Hebrew Scriptures

A Reading from the Second book of Samuel.

Now these are the last words of David: The oracle of David, son of Jesse, the oracle of the man whom God exalted, the anointed of the God of Jacob, the favorite of the Strong One of Israel: The spirit of the Lord speaks through me, his word is upon my tongue. The God of Israel has spoken, the Rock of Israel has said to me: One who rules over people justly, ruling in the fear of God, is like the light of morning, like the sun rising on a cloudless morning, gleaming from the rain on the grassy land. Is not my house like this with God? For he has made with me an everlasting covenant, ordered in all things and secure. Will he not cause to prosper all my help and my desire? But the godless are all like thorns that are thrown away; for they cannot be picked up with the hand; to touch them one uses an iron bar or the shaft of a spear. And they are entirely consumed in fire on the spot.

The Reader: The Word of the Lord.

The People respond: Thanks be to God.

Our Psalm prayer for this day in response to the reading

Psalm 132:1-13(14-19)

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Memento, Domine

- 1 LORD, remember David, * and all the hardships he endured;
- 2 How he swore an oath to the LORD* and vowed a vow to the Mighty One of Jacob:
- 3 "I will not come under the roof of my house," * nor climb up into my bed;
- 4 I will not allow my eyes to sleep, * nor let my eyelids slumber;
- Until I find a place for the LORD, * a dwelling for the Mighty One of Jacob."
- 6 "The ark! We heard it was in Ephratah; * we found it in the fields of Jearim.
- 7 Let us go to God's dwelling place; * let us fall upon our knees before his footstool."
- 8 Arise, O LORD, into your resting-place, * you and the ark of your strength.
- 9 Let your priests be clothed with righteousness; * let your faithful people sing with joy.
- 10 For your servant David's sake, *
 do not turn away the face of your Anointed.
- 11 The LORD has sworn an oath to David; * in truth, he will not break it:
- 12 "A son, the fruit of your body * will I set upon your throne.
- 13 If your children keep my covenant

and my testimonies that I shall teach them, * their children will sit upon your throne for evermore."

- 14 [For the LORD has chosen Zion; * he has desired her for his habitation:
- 15 "This shall be my resting-place for ever; * here will I dwell, for I delight in her.
- 16 I will surely bless her provisions, * and satisfy her poor with bread.
- 17 I will clothe her priests with salvation, * and her faithful people will rejoice and sing.
- 18 There will I make the horn of David flourish; * I have prepared a lamp for my Anointed.
- 19 As for his enemies, I will clothe them with shame; * but as for him, his crown will shine."]

The Reading from the Christian New Testament

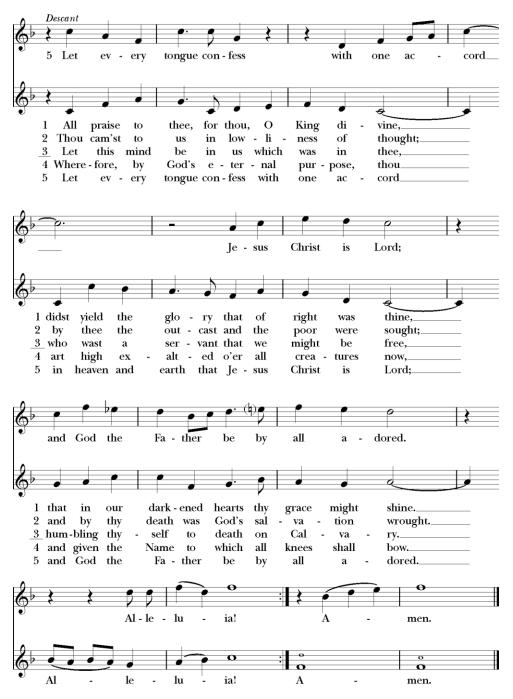
A Reading from the Revelation of John.

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 Reader: The Word of the Lord.

The People respond: Thanks be to God.

Our Hymn prayer to move us from these readings to the Gospel



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The Reading from One of the Gospels of Our Lord Jesus Christ

Then, all standing as they are able, the Deacon or a Priest reads the Gospel, first saying The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

The People respond: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Gospel Reading

Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" Pilate replied, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?" Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here." Pilate asked him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."

After the Gospel, the Reader says The Gospel of the Lord. The People respond: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

On Sundays and other Major Feasts there follows, all standing as they are 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:
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 Prayers of the People

Prayer is offered with intercession for: the Universal Church, its members, and its mission; the nation and all in authority; the welfare of the world, the concerns of the local community; those who suffer and those in any trouble; and the departed (with commemoration of a saint when appropriate)

The Leader and People pray responsively

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy."

For the peace from above, for the loving kindness of God, and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.
For our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mercy.
For this city (town, village,), for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mercy.
For seasonable weather, and for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mercy.
For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mercy.
For those who travel on land, on water, or in the air [or through outer space], let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mercy.
For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mercy.
For, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mercy.
For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mercy.
For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us

pray to the Lord. Lord, have mercy.

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the absolution and remission of our sins and offenses, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mercy.

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Defend us, deliver us, and in thy compassion protect us, O Lord, by thy grace. Lord, have mercy.

In the communion of [_____ and of all the] saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

To thee, O Lord our God.

Silence

The Presider adds a concluding Collect.

The People respond: Amen.

Our Sharing the Peace of Jesus Christ

The Presider says: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

The People respond: And also with you.

Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord making peace with one another before bringing their gifts to the altar.

Our Announcements gather the life, concerns, and events of this community into our worship.

Our Liturgy of the Holy Communion

The Offering of Our Lives and of Our Gifts back to God

Representatives of the congregation bring the people's offerings to the deacon or Presider of bread and wine, and money or other gifts, as we offer our lives back to God in faith and in faithful life and work.

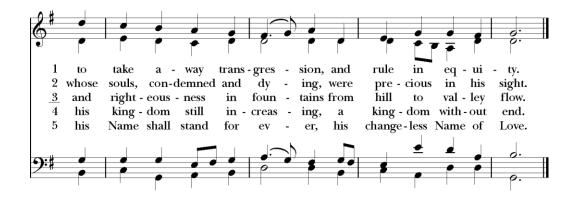
The people stand while the offerings are presented and placed on the Altar and sing:

The Offering Hymn (see insert for hymn number)

Hail to the Lord's Anointed

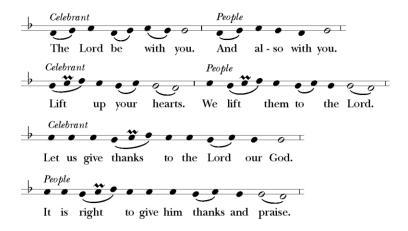
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Our Great Thanksgiving Prayer to God

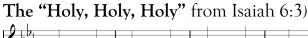
The people remain standing. The Presider, whether bishop or priest, faces them and sings:



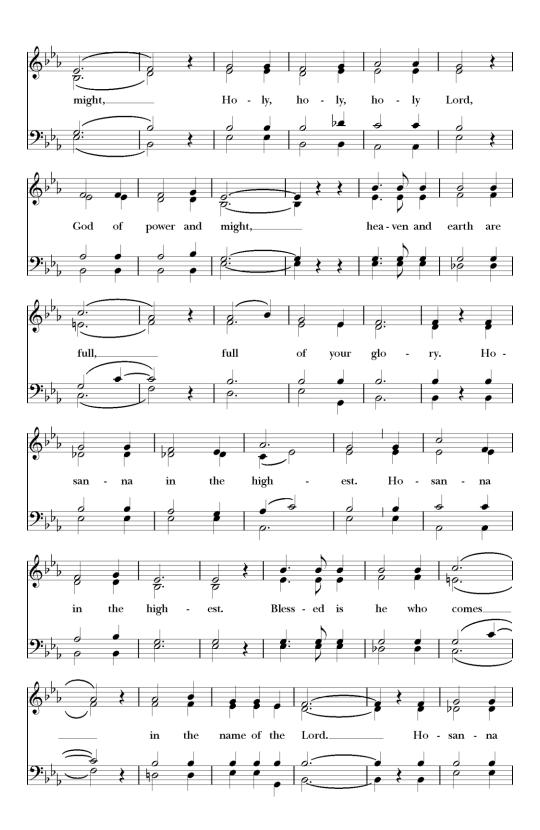
The Presider continues on behalf of all who are present:

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because in Jesus Christ our Lord you have received us as your sons and daughters, made us citizens of your kingdom, and given us the Holy Spirit to guide us into all truth. 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:











The people stand or kneel as the Presider continues:

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."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

The Presider and the People

Christ has died.

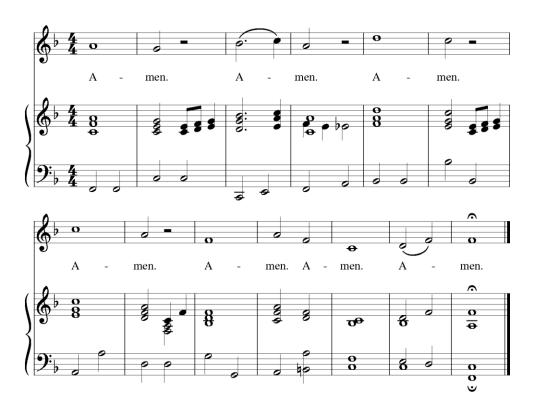
Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Presider continues:

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, now and for ever.

The People respond by singing the Great Amen:



The Presider leads the people with one of the following versions:

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

All 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 for give 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, forever and ever. Amen.

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

All say:

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen

The Breaking of the Bread

The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Then may be sung the Fraction Anthem. The People repeat the refrain after the priest sings it the first time, and then after each verse.



The Presider says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All are invited to come to our Lord's table for a blessing. All baptized Christians are welcome to receive the blessing of communion. Others may come forward for a blessing from the priest indicating this by crossing their arms over their chest.

The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven.

The People respond: Amen.

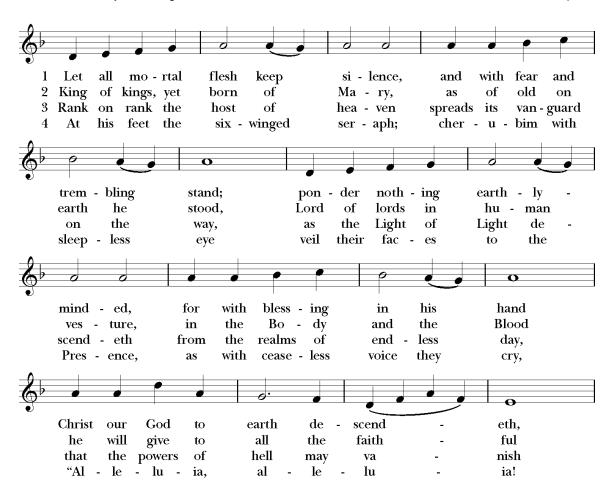
The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation.

The People respond: Amen.

Our Communion Hymn of Thanksgiving to God (see insert for hymn number)

Let all mortal flesh keep silence

Hymnal 324





Our Final Prayer of Thanksgiving to God

Let us pray.

The Presider and People pray together:

Almighty and everliving 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.

The Bishop when present, or the Priest, may bless the people.

The Solemn Blessing for the Feast of Christ the King

Presider: May our God, who surrendered his Son to death on our behalf so

that we might share in Christ's divine life, give you eyes to see Jesus

in each person you meet.

The People respond: Amen.

The Presider: May Jesus, the king who reigns in humility from the cross, keep

you humble in heart, strong in faith, and courageous in witness.

The People respond: Amen.

The Presider: May God the Holy Spirit, who makes Jesus Christ alive in us as

king and lord of our hearts and lives, lead you into all good works

for the least and neediest among us.

The People respond: Amen.

The Presider: And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the

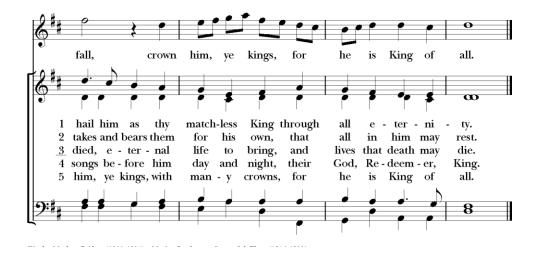
Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

The People respond: Amen.

The Recessional Hymn (See insert for hymn number)

Crown him with many crowns





We are Sent into the World with Jesus Christ

The Deacon, or the Presider, dismisses everyone with these words: Let us go in peace to love and serve Christ our King.

Alleluia. Alleluia.

The People respond with gusto: Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

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Please join us to continue our table fellowship with refreshments and conversation in our Gathering Area as our liturgy continues into a new week of God's grace in work and in play.