

# Ascension of the Lord

## Holy Eucharist

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## OUR VISION

### Becoming the Body of Christ at the corner of Bloor & Avenue Road and beyond

Guided by commitment to our shared values, we seek to become the body of Christ, nurturing a lively faith, a persistent hope, and an ever-expanding love for God's world.

We seek to – open our doors and hearts, embracing all who seek a sacred space. We offer worship in many forms, touching the hearts of those yearning for spiritual connection, in-person or online.

We seek to – listen deeply, hearing the stories of Jesus and of one another with open minds and hearts. Through faithful questioning, reflection, and shared learning, we grow together in wisdom and grace.

We seek to – serve with generous hospitality, gathering at the table with our physical and spiritual hunger. We walk alongside one another with compassion in the seasons and conditions of life, sharing our needs and thanks.

We seek to – embody Jesus' teachings that all people are God's children, worthy of love, and that all of creation is interconnected. Where structures or attitudes threaten or diminish, we advocate for justice, peace, equity and ecological responsibility.

We seek to – reach out in-person and virtually to the world around us. We dare to love in word and action so that others see something of God in their midst.

## OUR VALUES

**Compassion:** meeting every soul with tenderness and dignity

**Openness:** welcoming questions, embracing differences, and following the movement of the Spirit

**Respect:** honouring each person's unique story and gifts, and the inherent worth of all Creation

**Inclusion:** making room for all to enter, find a place, and participate fully

**Stewardship:** nurturing respect for our resources and partnerships for long-term vitality



*Christ has no body now but ours, no hands, no feet on earth but ours.*

*Ours are the eyes with which he looks compassionately on this world. Ours are the feet with which he walks to do good.*

*Ours are the hands, with which he blesses all the world.*

Teresa of Avila (Adapted)

## WELCOME TO THE CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER!

### Who We Are

We are followers of Jesus: children, young adults, families, and seniors who come from a variety of backgrounds. We are long-time members and newcomers; people of deep faith and those still searching; people shaped by many traditions—and sometimes seeking a deeper sense of faith and community. We are not limited by ability, age, economic status, ethnicity, gender identity, personal history or sexual orientation.

### Where We Stand

Dwelling on the traditional lands of the Wendat, Haudenosaunee, and Mississauga of the Credit First Nation, Church of the Redeemer stands at the crossroads, physical and virtual—of neighbourhoods and nations, of government, education, arts, culture, and commerce—in the heart of Toronto.

From this place we seek to live into our identity as the body of Christ: living our faith, offering hope, and sharing love for God's world.

If you would like to stay up to date with our news and events, please feel free to subscribe to our eNewsletter by going to <https://theredeemer.ca/post-17524>.

**Presider:** Steven Mackison

### Welcome

### Land Acknowledgement



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Ascension Day is celebrated forty days after Easter, the same amount of time Jesus spent with his disciples after his resurrection. It signifies the completion of Jesus' time on earth as human, and ascended to heaven. As the liturgy unfolds, enjoy the margin notes as a brief explanation and commentary, making the words more meaningful for worship.

**Opening Hymn: #255 (Common Praise) "Come Away to the Skies"**

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**✠ The Easter Greeting**

*Priest:* Alleluia! Christ is risen.  
*All:* **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**  
*Priest:* May his grace and peace be with you.  
*All:* **May he fill our hearts with joy.**

**Gloria**

*All sing*

**Gloria in excelsis Deo!**  
**Gloria, Alleluia!**

**The Collect of the Day**

*Priest:* Holy God, send your promised Spirit of revelation and wisdom, so that, in the blessed freedom of hope, we may witness to the grace of forgiveness and sing with joy to the One who makes us one. **Amen.**

Based on the song that the angels sang to the shepherds announcing the glorious arrival of the Son of God, the Gloria is a timeless song of praise.

## ✠ Proclamation of the Word

### First Reading:

*Please be seated*

*Reader:* A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. "This," he said, "is what you have heard from me; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now." So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

*Reader:* The word of the Lord.

Acts 1.1-11

*All:* **Thanks be to God.**

*A moment of silence is observed*

### Psalm 93 (George Black)

*All sing refrain*

Refrain



Our God shall reign for ev - er and ev - er.

O God, you reign in glory;  
you are robed in majesty;  
you are robed,  
you are girded with strength. **Refrain**

You have made the whole world so sure  
that it cannot be moved.  
Ever since the world began, your throne has been established;  
you are from everlasting. **Refrain**

The waters have lifted up, O God,  
the waters have lifted up their voice;  
the waters have lifted up their pounding waves.  
Mightier than the sound of many waters,  
mightier than the breakers of the sea,  
mightier is our God who dwells on high. **Refrain**

Your testimonies are very sure,  
and holiness adorns your house, O God, for ever and for evermore. **Refrain**

This passage is the turn in the road leading the disciples away from rejoicing in the resurrection towards the building of the kingdom on earth, made possible by the gifts of the Holy Spirit.

Pronounced "sahms", the Psalms are a collection of worship, poetry and prose written between 950 and 350 BC. They were sung by the Israelites during worship and read for private meditation. They cover emotions from the lowest lament to utter joy.

## Second Reading:

*Please be seated*

*Reader:* A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Ephesians.

This passage helps to connect the early church, and our own community, to the experience of the apostles through the body of Christ (literally and figuratively).

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

Ephesians 1.15-23

**All:** Thanks be to God.

*A moment of silence is observed*

## Sequence Hymn: #370 (Gather) "He Came Down"

*All rise and sing*

1. He came down that we may have love; He  
2. He came down that we may have peace; He  
3. He came down that we may have joy; He

came down that we may have love; He came down that we may  
came down that we may have peace; He came down that we may  
came down that we may have joy; He came down that we may

have love, Hal - le - lu - jah for ev - er - more.  
have peace, Hal - le - lu - jah for ev - er - more.  
have joy; Hal - le - lu - jah for ev - er - more.

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*We turn and face the Gospel as it is processed to the midst of the gathered community.  
We do this as a sign of respect and to symbolize that  
its message is at the centre of our lives and its truth is always before our eyes.*

## The Gospel

*Priest:* The Lord be with you.

**All:** And also with you.

*Priest:* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

**All:** Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The Sequence Hymn (from Latin "sequentiae", meaning "following") is a hymn that is sung after the second reading and before the reading of the Gospel.

Jesus said to the disciples, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you - that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high." Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. And they worshipped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

*Priest:* The Gospel of Christ.

Luke 24.44-53

*All:* **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Homily:** Dan Norman

*A few minutes of silence are observed.*

### Prayers of the People

*Leader:* With your ascension, we rejoice in your victory over death and sin. Renew in us the assurance that all your good purposes for this world will prevail.

*A silence is observed. Please add your prayers silently or aloud.*

*Leader:* In your mercy, Oh God

*All:* **Help the lonely find family, and set the prisoners free.**

*Leader:* For those enduring fiery trials in the war zones of this world, help them to see Christ with them in their struggles and in their efforts to find a lasting peace. In Ukraine, Gaza, Iran, Lebanon, Israel, Myanmar, DRC, Sudan and Yemen, we ask you risen Lord to quell the violence, and for your peace to prevail.

*A silence is observed. Please add your prayers silently or aloud.*

*Leader:* In your mercy, Oh God

*All:* **Help the lonely find family, and set the prisoners free.**

*Leader:* We pray for the church, here at Redeemer, the Anglican communion, and the church worldwide. Give us the courage to be light and salt in these dark and difficult days. Give us wisdom to know how to navigate the challenging situations and conversations in our lives and in our community. We are grateful to live in the safety and comfort of Canada. Make us ever mindful of those who do not have that same privilege.

*A silence is observed. Please add your prayers silently or aloud.*

*Leader:* In your mercy, Oh God

*All:* **Help the lonely find family, and set the prisoners free.**

*Leader:* We pray for the leaders of our world, for politicians, for leaders of industry and media, for the leaders of health care, policing and correctional services. Inspire them to lead with honesty and integrity. Give them hearts that are ever mindful of vulnerable people and help them initiate policies that lessen the hardships vulnerable people face.

*A silence is observed. Please add your prayers silently or aloud.*

Christ ascended bodily into heaven, but leaves behind gifts for us to bear witness in his absence. The journey of the early church begins in earnest with the departure of Jesus.

The homily (from Greek "homilia", meaning "conversation") or sermon, gathers the themes of the readings and articulates what they meant for its audiences, and what they mean for us today.

There is much in our personal lives, our community, our church, and in our world that weighs upon us. In the prayers of the people, we offer to God our cares and concerns, our joys and hopes, using the pauses to name them aloud or in our hearts.

*Leader:* In your mercy, Oh God

*All:* **Help the lonely find family, and set the prisoners free.**

*Leader:* Help us to be more inclusive of others, welcoming the stranger in our midst. We pray for the Common Table, Sanctuary, All Saints, St. Stephen's in the field and other agencies of care giving voice and dignity to the people they serve. Protect and make space for homeless people who are being forcibly displaced by the upcoming FIFA World Cup. Help us to stand alongside those who are sadly too acquainted with the alienation of standing alone. We pray for those who are unemployed or in dead-end jobs, that they soon find meaningful employment.

*A silence is observed. Please add your prayers silently or aloud.*

*Leader:* In your mercy, Oh God

*All:* **Help the lonely find family, and set the prisoners free.**

*Leader:* We pray for people who are ill that you would restore and heal them. We pray for those pressed to the limit in caring for others, personally or professionally, that you would give them strength. Be near to those who are dying, and reassure them of your love through our presence and our prayers. Give comfort to those mourning the loss of people they love. Enable us to comfort them in their grief.

*A silence is observed. Please add your prayers silently or aloud.*

*Leader:* In your mercy, Oh God

*All:* **Help the lonely find family, and set the prisoners free.**

## The Peace

*Priest:* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*All:* **And also with you.**

When Jesus appeared to his disciples after the resurrection, his first words to them were "Peace be with you." We share the peace with our neighbour as a sign that we are reconciled with one another and with God. You can share the peace through a nod, a handshake, or by raising your hand in the peace symbol.

## Offertory Hymn: "Lord, You Give the Great Commission"

*All sing*



1. Lord, you give the great com - mis - sion: "Heal the sick and  
2. Lord, you call us to your ser - vice: "In my name bap -  
3. Lord, you make the com - mon ho - ly: "This my bod - y,  
4. Lord, you show us love's true meas - ure: "Fa - ther, what they  
5. Lord, you bless with words as - sur - ing: "I am with you



preach the word." Lest the Church ne - glect its mis - sion  
tize and teach." That the world may trust your prom - ise,  
this my blood." Let us all, for earth's true glo - ry,  
do, for - give." Yet we hoard as pri - vate treas - ure  
to the end." Faith and hope and love re - stor - ing,



And the Gos - pel go un - heard, Help us wit - ness  
Life a - bun - dant meant for each, Give us all new  
Dai - ly lift life heav - en - ward, Ask - ing that the  
All that you so free - ly give. May your care and  
May we serve as you in - tend, And, a - mid the

to your pur - pose With re - newed in - teg - ri - ty;  
 fer - vour, draw us Clos - er in com - mun - i - ty;  
 world a - round us Share your chil - dren's lib - er - ty;  
 mer - cy lead us To a just so - ci - e - ty;  
 cares that claim us, Hold in mind e - ter - ni - ty;

With the Spir - it's gifts em - pow'r us For the work of min - is - try.

## ✠ The Holy Eucharist

### Prayer Over the Gifts

*Priest:* Eternal God,  
 our Saviour Jesus Christ has promised to be with us until the end of time.  
 Accept all we offer you this day,  
 and renew us in his transfigured life;  
 for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### The Great Thanksgiving

*Priest:* *People:*

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

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

*Priest:* Blessed are you,  
 gracious God, creator of heaven and earth;  
 we give you thanks and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
 who after his glorious resurrection appeared to his disciples,  
 and in their sight ascended into heaven to prepare a place for us;  
 that where he is, there we might also be, and reign with him in glory.  
 Therefore we praise you with angels and archangels  
 and with all the company of heaven,  
 who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your name:

While singing the Offertory Hymn, we have the opportunity to worship God by giving back out of the abundance from which we have received. It is not obligatory, but the opportunity is there for all who wish to express their love to God through the giving of monetary gifts.

The Eucharist (Greek for "thanksgiving"), also known as Communion, is a sacramental act of worship where we share the bread and wine. A sacrament is "an outward and visible sign of an inward and spiritual grace." As we eat the bread and drink the wine, God is present to us and reveals God's self to us in a unique way. It is a radically open table to which all people are invited and welcome to participate.

Drawing from Isaiah's vision of the greatness of God, and from Matthew, where the people called out "Hosanna!" as Jesus entered Jerusalem, the Sanctus (from the Latin word "holy") is an ancient hymn that is sung during the Eucharistic Prayer.

The Eucharistic Prayer today is Eucharistic Prayer 3.

## Sanctus: #201 (Gather)

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,  
heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. 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!

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*Priest:* We give thanks to you, Lord our God,  
for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation;  
in calling Israel to be your People;  
in your Word spoken through the prophets;  
and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son.  
For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world.  
In him, you have delivered us from evil,  
and made us worthy to stand before you.  
In him, you have brought us out of error into truth,  
out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.  
On the night he was handed over to suffering and death,  
a death he freely accepted, 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, Father, according to his command,

*All:* **we remember his death;**  
**we proclaim his resurrection,**  
**we await his coming in glory**

*Priest:* and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you,  
Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.  
We pray you, gracious God,  
to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts,  
that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ  
and his blood of the new covenant.

*Priest:* Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice,  
 that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.  
 In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new,  
 and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your children;  
 through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
 the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church,  
 and the author of our salvation;  
 by whom, and with whom, and in whom,  
 in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honour and glory are yours,  
 almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## The Lord's Prayer

<i>Priest:</i>	<i>People:</i>
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As our Sa-viour taught us let us pray. Our Fa-ther in heav-en hal-lowed be your name,  
 your king - dom come, your will be done, on earth as in heav - en.  
 Give us to - day our dai - ly bread. For - give us our sins  
 as we for - give those who sin a - gainst us.  
 Save us from the time of trial and de - liv - er us from e - vil.  
 For the king-dom, the pow-er, and the glo-ry are yours, now and for ev-er. A - men.

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## The Breaking of the Bread

*Priest:* We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.  
*All:* **We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.**  
*Priest:* The gifts of God for the People of God.  
*All:* **Thanks be to God.**

When asked by his disciples how to pray, Jesus gave them these simple words which we refer to as "The Lord's Prayer." Found in both Matthew and Luke, this prayer captures the essence of our relationship with God and with one another.

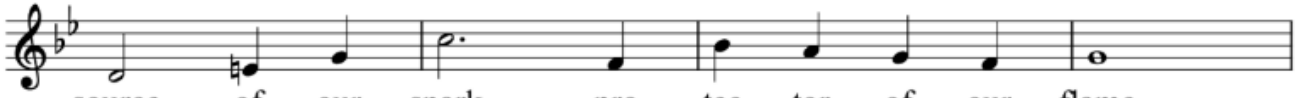
The Fraction Hymn (from the Latin “fractio” meaning “to break”) is a hymn sung during the Eucharist when the priest breaks the consecrated bread.

**Fraction Hymn: #67 (Common Praise) “God of All Time, All Seasons of Our Living”**

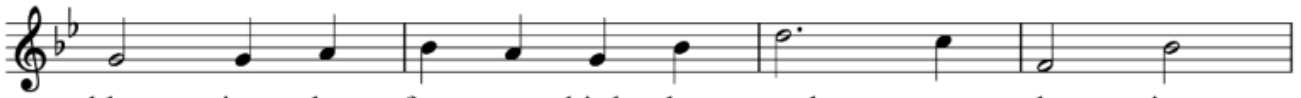
*All sing*



1. God of all time, all sea - sons of our liv - ing,  
 2. Here in this place, where oth - ers have been build - ing,  
 3. Spir - it, who draws our fra - gile selves to - geth - er;  
 4. Let us not die from pov - er - ty of car - ing;



source of our spark, pro - tec - tor of our flame,  
 we come to claim the leg - a - cy of faith;  
 Spir - it, who turns a strang - er to a friend;  
 let us not starve, where love is to be shared.



blaz - ing be - fore our birth, be - yond our dy - ing—  
 take, in our turn, the tell - ing of your sto - ry;  
 be at the ta - ble where we greet each oth - er;  
 Come, break us o - pen to re - ceive your heal - ing;



God of all time, we come to sing your name.  
 and, though we trem - ble, speak your hope, your truth.  
 be in the peace we pass from hand to hand.  
 your bro - ken bod - y be our wine and bread.

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**The Giving and Receiving of Communion**

*Priest:* Dear friends, I invite you in this moment,  
 wherever you may be, to receive Christ,  
 in communion with the saints,  
 and the gathering of God’s people,  
 unseen and yet present with us now.

*For those of us participating at home, it is a strange experience to be invited to Communion  
 – not through the physical bread and wine we can touch and taste –  
 but a Spiritual Communion with the God who comes to meet us wherever we are.*

*There are no special words or prayers for this, all the Church has ever thought necessary is genuine true  
 desire, lively faith, and genuine love. Come honestly before God the way you know how.*

*You may wish to pray quietly this prayer to help you:*

*One:* Lord, you stand at the door of my heart and knock.  
 You wait for me and only I can let you in.  
 I believe and trust in you and ask you now to fill me with your presence.  
 Feed me with your body and unite me in your blood,  
 that I may be your blessing to a world in need. Amen.

## The Communion



*All in the church are invited to come forward to receive communion.*

*If you need a gluten-free wafer, please indicate this to the priest.*

*If you would like to receive a blessing rather than communion, please cross your arms as shown in the picture and the clergy will be pleased to offer you a blessing.*

*Intinction is the practice of dipping the bread or wafer into the wine when receiving communion.*

*This practice is not allowed in churches in the Diocese of Toronto, including the Church of the Redeemer, for health and safety reasons.*

## Communion Song: “Everybody Wants to Rule the World”

*(Roland Orzabal, Ian Stanley and Chris Hughes)*

*All sing*

Welcome to your life  
There's no turning back  
Even while we sleep  
We will find you  
acting on your best behaviour  
Turn your back on mother nature  
Everybody wants to rule the world

It's my own design  
It's my own remorse  
Help me to decide  
Help me make the most  
of freedom and of pleasure  
Nothing ever lasts forever  
Everybody wants to rule the world

There's a room where the light won't find you  
Holding hands while the walls come tumbling down  
When they do I'll be right behind you

So glad we've almost made it  
So sad they had to fade it  
Everybody wants to rule the world

I can't stand this indecision  
Married with a lack of vision  
Everybody wants to rule the world  
Say that you'll never never never need it  
One headline why believe it?  
Everybody wants to rule the world

Jesus' life given for others inspires us to see our own lives as a gift to be shared. The resurrection affirms that in letting go of what we are afraid to lose, we are transformed and made new.

Motet (from the Latin "motectum") means "movement" and refers to the movement of the voices in this form of vocal composition.

**Motet: "Unclouded Day"** (Shawn Kirchner/Rev. J.K. Alwood)

*Sung by the choir*

O they tell me of a home far beyond the skies, they tell me of a home far away,  
and they tell me of a home where no storm-clouds rise: O they tell me of an unclouded day.  
O the land of cloudless days, O the land of an unclouded sky,  
O they tell me of a home where no storm-clouds rise:  
O they tell me of an unclouded day.

O they tell me of a home where my friends have gone, they tell me of a land far away,  
where the tree of life in eternal bloom sheds its fragrance through the unclouded day.  
O the land of cloudless days, O the land of an unclouded sky,  
O they tell me of a home where no storm-clouds rise:  
O they tell me of an unclouded day.

O they tell me of a king in his beauty there, they tell me that mine eyes shall behold  
where he sits on a throne that is bright as the sun in the city that is made of gold.  
O the land of cloudless days, O the land of an unclouded sky,  
O they tell me of a home where no storm-clouds rise:  
O they tell me of an unclouded day.

### **Prayer after Communion**

*Please rise as you are able*

*Priest:* Eternal Giver of love and power,  
your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world  
to preach the gospel of his kingdom.  
Confirm us in this mission,  
and help us to live the good news we proclaim;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### **The Doxology**

*Priest:* Glory to God,  
*All:* **whose power working in us  
can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine.  
Glory to God from generation to generation,  
in the Church and in Christ Jesus  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

### **Announcements**

The Doxology (from the Greek "doxalogia" meaning "words of glory") is our closing prayer. We say this to, for, and with one another, to proclaim that worshipping God together has made a difference in our lives.

The word "Announcements" arrives in English circa 1500 AD. from Old French "Anoncier" meaning "announce, proclaim." It originates from Latin, "annuntiare, adnuntiare" meaning "make known."

Concluding Hymn: #454 (Gather) "Go"

All rise and sing



1. Go ye there-fore and teach all na - tions, go, go, go.  
2. If you love me, real - ly love me, feed my sheep.



Go ye there-fore and teach all na - tions, go, go, go.  
If you love me, real - ly love me, feed my sheep. And



Bap - tiz - ing them in the name of the Fa - ther and Son and  
lo, I'll be with you for ev - er and ev - er un - til the



Ho - ly Ghost. Go, go, go.  
ends of the world, go, go, go.

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Dismissal

*Priest:* Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia!

*All:* Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

In the Dismissal (from the Latin "dimittere" meaning "to send away") we are charged to go out beyond the four walls of the church to serve the Lord in a world that desperately needs God's peace and love.

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## WORSHIP WITH US

### Sunday May 17 (Ascension of the Lord)

**4:00 PM** – Rock Vespers ~ featuring the music of Tears for Fears (in the Church)

**8:00 PM** – Compline (on Zoom only)

### Wednesday May 20

**12:00 PM** – Mid-week Eucharist (in the Church)

### Sunday May 24 (The Day of Pentecost)

**9:00 AM** – Spiritual Communion (on Zoom only)

**9:00 AM** – Coffee Church (in the Church)

**10:30 AM** – Holy Eucharist (in the Church and through YouTube)

**4:00 PM** – Be Still (in the Church)

**8:00 PM** – Compline (on Zoom only)