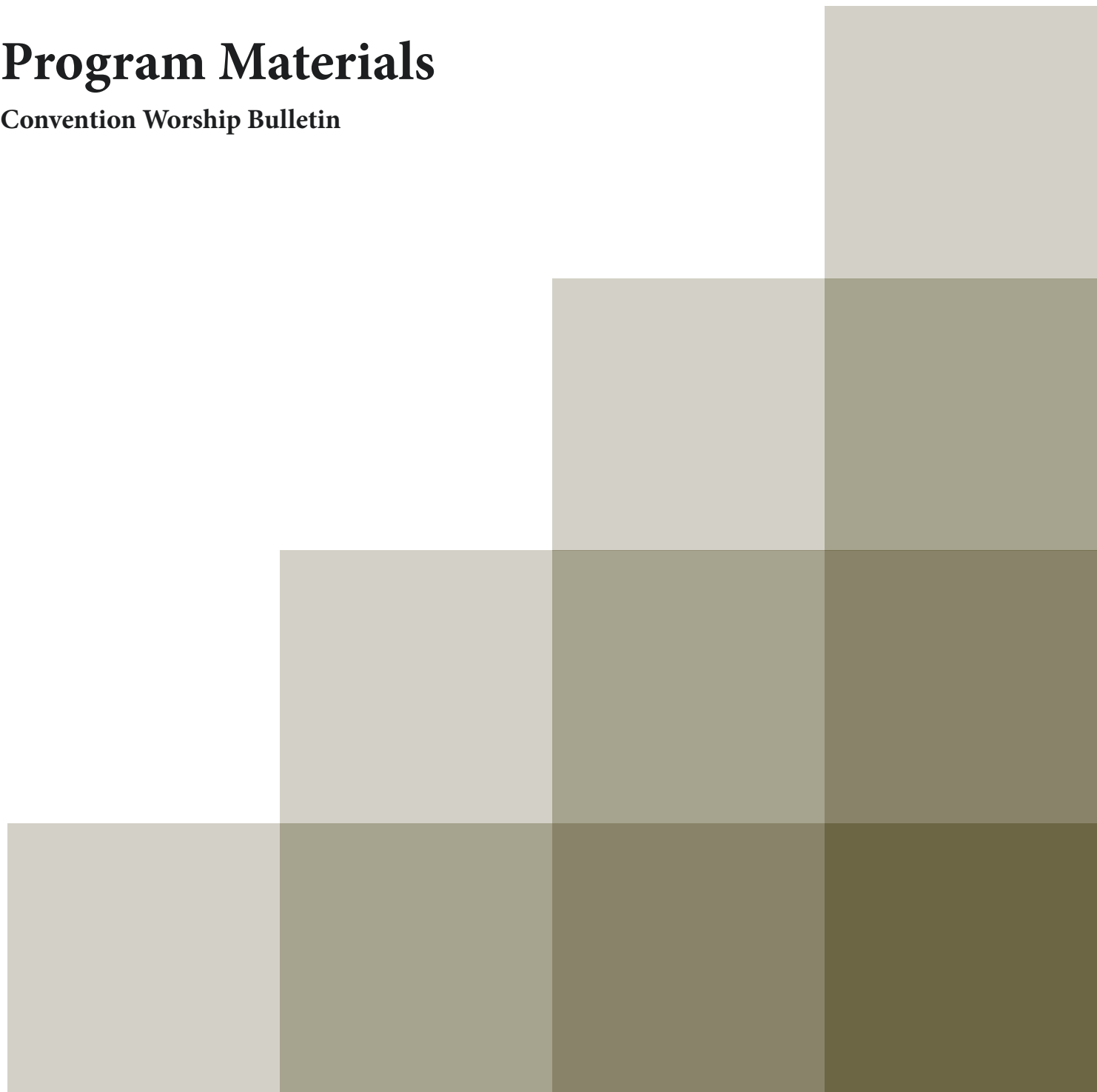




Program Materials

Convention Worship Bulletin





THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF EAST TENNESSEE

Connecting Communities in Christ

Prelude

Emma Lou Diemer (b. 1927)

I Love to Tell the Story (Hankey)

Ms. Eunjin Choi, Music Associate, St. John's Cathedral, Knoxville

Opening Hymn

Great is Thy Faithfulness

Lift Every Voice and Sing 189

1. Great is thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther,
2. Sum - mer and win - ter, and spring - time and har - vest,
3. Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth,

1. There is no shad - ow of turn - ing with thee;
2. Sun, moon and stars in their cours - es a - bove,
3. Thine own dear pres - ence to cheer and to guide;

1. Thou chang - est not, thy com - pas - sions, they fail not,
2. Join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wit - ness,
3. Strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row,

1. As thou hast been thou for - ev - er wilt be.
2. To thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy and love.
3. Bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!

Great is thy faith - ful-ness! Great is thy faith - ful-ness!

Morn - ing by morn - ing new mer - cies I see;

All I have need - ed thy hand hath pro - vid - ed,

Great is Thy faith - ful-ness, Lord un - to me!

Opening Salutation

Bishop Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People And Blessed be His kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

Collect for Purity

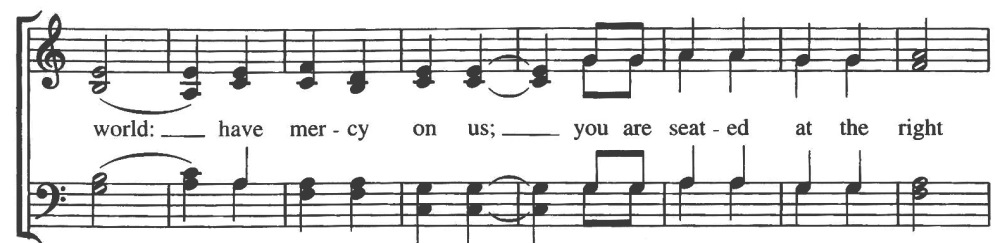
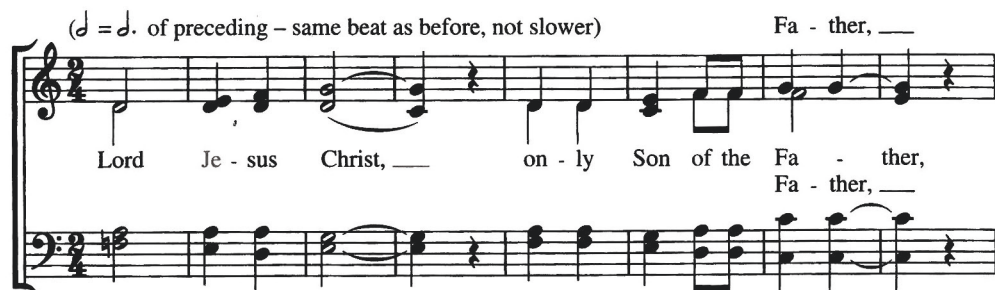
Bishop Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

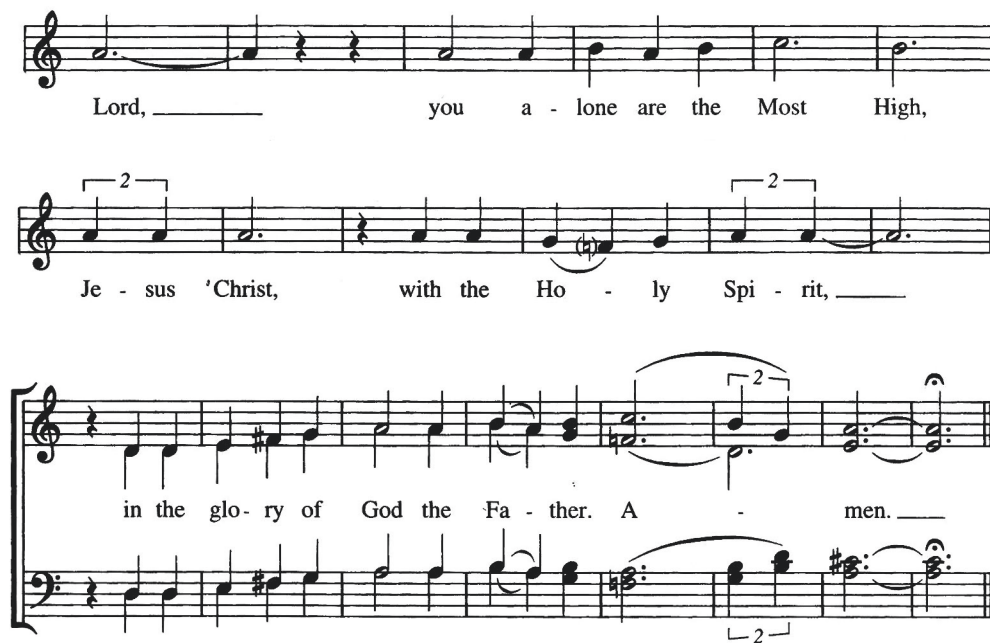
Gloria

Wonder, Love, and Praise 900

Glo-ry to God in the high-est, —

— and peace to his peo-ple on earth. — Lord God,





Opening Collect

Bishop The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Bishop Let us pray.

Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins, and give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

First Reading

Isaiah 40:21-31

Lector A reading from the Prophet Isaiah.

Have you not known? Have you not heard? Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth? It is he who sits above the circle of the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers; who stretches out the heavens like a curtain, and spreads them like a tent to live in; who brings princes to naught, and makes the rulers of the earth as nothing. Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown, scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth, when he blows upon them, and they wither, and the tempest carries them off like stubble. To whom then will you compare me, or who is my equal? says the Holy One. Lift up your eyes on high and see: Who created these? He who brings out their host and numbers them, calling them all by name; because he is great in strength, mighty in power, not one is missing. Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, "My way is hidden from the Lord, and my right is disregarded by my God"? Have you not known? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless. Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; but those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Lector The Psalm appointed for today is a portion of Psalm 147.

- 1 Hallelujah!**
How good it is to sing praises to our God! *
how pleasant it is to honor him with praise!
- 2 The Lord rebuilds Jerusalem; ***
he gathers the exiles of Israel.
- 3 He heals the brokenhearted ***
and binds up their wounds.
- 4 He counts the number of the stars ***
and calls them all by their names.
- 5 Great is our Lord and mighty in power; ***
there is no limit to his wisdom.
- 6 The Lord lifts up the lowly, ***
but casts the wicked to the ground.
- 7 Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving; ***
make music to our God upon the harp.
- 8 He covers the heavens with clouds ***
and prepares rain for the earth;
- 9 He makes grass to grow upon the mountains ***
and green plants to serve mankind.
- 10 He provides food for flocks and herds ***
and for the young ravens when they cry.
- 11 He is not impressed by the might of a horse; ***
he has no pleasure in the strength of a man;
- 12 But the Lord has pleasure in those who fear him, ***
in those who await his gracious favor.
- 21 Hallelujah!**

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 9:16-23

Lector A reading from Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians.

If I proclaim the gospel, this gives me no ground for boasting, for an obligation is laid on me, and woe to me if I do not proclaim the gospel! For if I do this of my own will, I have a reward; but if not of my own will, I am entrusted with a commission. What then is my reward? Just this: that in my proclamation I may make the gospel free of charge, so as not to make full use of my rights in the gospel. For though I am free with respect to all, I have made myself a slave to all, so that I might win more of them. To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law (though I myself am not under the law) so that I might win those under the law. To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (though I am not free from God's law but am under Christ's law) so that I might win those outside the law. To the weak I became weak, so that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, that I might by all means save some. I do it all for the sake of the gospel, so that I may share in its blessings.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
 2 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,
 3 To all life thou giv - est, to both great and small;
 4 Thou reign - est in glo - ry, thou rul - est in light,

in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
 nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might;
 in all life thou liv - est, the true life of all;
 thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight;

most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
 thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove
 we blos - som and flour - ish, like leaves on the tree,
 all laud we would ren - der: O help us to see

al - might - y, vic - tor - ious, thy great Name we praise.
 thy clouds, which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
 then with - er and per - ish; but nought chan - geth thee.
 'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee.

The Holy Gospel

Mark 1:29-39

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

After Jesus and his disciples left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them. That evening, at sundown, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. And the whole city was gathered around the door. And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him. In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. And Simon and his companions hunted for him. When they found him, they said to him, "Everyone is searching for you." He answered, "Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do." And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

The Rev. April Berends
Grace Episcopal Church, Chattanooga

The Nicene Creed

Bishop Together, let us affirm the faith of the church in the words of the Nicene Creed.
All **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.

Prayers of the People

Intercessor Our God heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds. With trust in God's promises, let us lift our prayers for the church and the world.

We pray for your church throughout the world, for all bishops, priests and deacons, and for all disciples of Jesus Christ. Fill us with your Spirit, that we may proclaim your liberating gospel in all that we do and say. In Christ, you are reconciling the world, O God.

People **Make us your new creation.**

Intercessor We pray for the congregations and communities of the Diocese of East Tennessee and for Brian, our Bishop. Enliven and sustain our ministry, that we may proclaim your love, join your hopeful work, and bind up the wounds of those who are hurting. In Christ, you are reconciling the world, O God.

People **Make us your new creation.**

Intercessor We pray for this nation and all nations, that seeking your peace and guided by your wisdom, we may find courage to resist falsehood, violence and oppression, that all people may know freedom from poverty, and injustice.

In Christ, you are reconciling the world, O God.

People **Make us your new creation.**

Intercessor We pray for all who are sick, afraid, weary, hungry, or alone, that your hand may hold them fast, and they may know the joy of your salvation. Give us compassion for our neighbors' needs, and make us witnesses of your love and power.

In Christ, you are reconciling the world, O God.

People **Make us your new creation.**

Intercessor We pray for all whose lives have been forever altered by the COVID-19 pandemic, that you may strengthen those who are weary, and comfort those who grieve. We pray for all whose daily work puts them at risk, and give thanks for the labor of those who continue to provide what is necessary.

In Christ, you are reconciling the world, O God.

People **Make us your new creation.**

Intercessor We pray for those who are dying and those who have died, that they may find delight and rest in you for all eternity.

In Christ, you are reconciling the world, O God.

People **Make us your new creation.**

Memorials

Concluding Collect for the Prayers

Bishop Almighty God, you sent your Son Jesus Christ to reconcile the world to yourself. We praise and bless you for those whom you have sent in the power of the Holy Spirit to preach the Gospel to all nations. We thank you that in all parts of the earth the community of love has been gathered together by their prayers and labors and that in every place your servants call upon your name, for the kingdom and the power and the glory are yours for ever. Amen.

Confession of Sin

Bishop 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.**

Bishop 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. Amen.

The Peace

Bishop The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

We invite you to greet your fellow delegates and church members by sending a message to them!

The Holy Communion

Offertory

Bishop Let us walk in love as Christ loved us and gave himself for us an offering and sacrifice to God.

Offertory Anthem

Richard Shephard

The Secret of Christ

For a long time I have held my peace, but now will I speak. I will lead the blind in a way they know not, in paths that they have not known I will guide them. I will turn their darkness into light, and I will not forsake them. And he showed me a pure river of the water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God; and on either side of the river was there a tree of life, and the leaves of the trees were for the healing of the nations. Help us, Lord, to persevere in prayer with minds awake and thankful hearts, that we may share the secret of Christ with those we meet on our earthly pilgrimage, following in the steps of Jesus, our Master and our friend. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

Bishop The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Bishop Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them to the Lord.**
Bishop Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Bishop 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 the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your son Jesus Christ our Lord.

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:

Sanctus

Hymnal 1982 S125

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Then the Bishop continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of 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 Savior 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 before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

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

Bishop And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O 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. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with the Blessed Virgin Mary and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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. **AMEN.**

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

Fraction Anthem

Be Known to Us, Lord Jesus

Wonder, Love, and Praise 875

Cantor or Choir

Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, } in the
The dis - ci - ples knew the Lord Je - sus }

1. Congregation 2. Cantor or Choir

break - ing of the bread. Be bread. The
The dis -

1. 2.

bread which we break, al - le - lu - ia, Is the com -

Congregation

mun - ion of the bod - y of Christ. Be
The dis -

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (Bb). It consists of five systems of staves. The first system is for the Cantor or Choir, with lyrics 'Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, } in the' and 'The dis - ci - ples knew the Lord Je - sus }'. The second system has two parts: '1. Congregation' with lyrics 'break - ing of the bread. Be bread. The' and 'The dis -', and '2. Cantor or Choir' with lyrics 'break. The'. The third system continues the lyrics 'bread which we break, al - le - lu - ia, Is the com -'. The fourth system is for the Congregation with lyrics 'mun - ion of the bod - y of Christ. Be' and 'The dis -'. The piano accompaniment is written in the left and right hands, providing harmonic support for the vocal parts.

known to us, Lord Je - sus, } in the break - ing of the
ci - ples knew the Lord Je - sus }

Cantor or Choir
bread. One bod - y are we, al - le - lu - ia, for though

Congregation
man - y we share one bread. Be known to us, Lord
The dis - ci - ples knew the Lord

Je - sus, } in the break - ing of the bread.
Je - sus }

Bishop The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Prayer of St. Alphonsus

All My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Communion Meditation

arr. Kim Robertson

Jesus, Be in My Heart

Ms. Elizbaeth Farr, *Director of Music, St. Elizabeth's, Knoxville*

Be, O Jesus, remembered in my heart every hour,
Be O Jesus, in my heart soon
Be O Jesus, in my heart with fellowship forever
O, Jesus of God faithful, don't separate yourself from me.

Without Jesus in my thoughts, I'm not happy in myself
Without Jesus in my writing, there's not love
Without Jesus in my actions there's no good in life
O Jesus of God faithful, be before and after me.

Be O Jesus, eternally in my heart and in my speech
Be O Jesus, eternally in my understanding all the time
Be O Jesus, eternally in my mind as instruction
O Jesus of God faithful, don't leave me by myself.

Post-Communion Prayer

Bishop Let us pray.

All **Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Blessing

Bishop May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn

God is Love

Hymnal 1982 379

1 God is Love, let heaven a - dore him; God is Love, let
2 God is Love; and Love en - folds us, all the world in
3 God is Love; and though with blind-ness sin af - flicts all

earth re - joice; let cre - a - tion sing be - fore him
one em - brace: with un - fail - ing grasp God holds us,
hu - man life, God's e - ter - nal lov - ing - kind - ness

and ex - alt him with one voice. God who laid the earth's foun-
ev - ery child of ev - ery race. And when hu - man hearts are
guides us through our earth - ly strife. Sin and death and hell shall

da - tion, God who spread the heaven a - bove, God who breathes through
break - ing un - der sor - row's i - ron rod, then we find that
nev - er o'er us fi - nal tri - umph gain; God is Love, so

all cre - a - tion: God is Love, e - ter - nal Love.
self - same ach - ing deep with - in the heart of God.
Love for ev - er o'er the u - ni - verse must reign.

The Dismissal

Deacon Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Robert Powell (b. 1932)

Four Medieval Dances: Clangat tuba

Mr. Jason Overall, *Canon Precentor and Director of Music, St. John's Cathedral, Knoxville*

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