

The HOLY EUCHARIST

in CELEBRATION of the RESURRECTION for the LIFE of

ALFRED JOSEPH JEWSON, Priest

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ST. TIMOTHY'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Creve Coeur , Missouri





ABOUT THE LITURGY OF THE DEAD

The liturgy for the dead is an Easter liturgy. It finds all its meaning in the resurrection. Because Jesus was raised from the dead, we, too, shall be raised.

The liturgy, therefore, is characterized by joy, in the certainty that “neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.”

This joy, however, does not make human grief unchristian. The very love we have for each other in Christ brings deep sorrow when we are parted by death. Jesus himself wept at the grave of his friend. So, while we rejoice that one we love has entered into the nearer presence of our Lord, we sorrow in sympathy with those who mourn.

DIOCESE OF MISSOURI LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

In humility, we recognize and acknowledge that we in the Diocese of Missouri worship and live on the traditional ancestral lands of the Osage Nation, the Illiniwek/Peoria Tribe, the O-Gah-Pah (Quapaw) Tribe, the Otoe-Missouria Tribe, and other First Peoples. We recognize our mutual dependence upon and benefit from this land; we proclaim our solidarity with and our debt to the Peoples who first claimed and improved this land as their home. We acknowledge our complicity in the process of colonization that dispossessed the First Peoples from their ancestral lands. We affirm our commitment to stand with indigenous communities today and henceforth as they seek justice and resist continued threats to their sovereignty and humanity.

We are also cognizant that the history of The Episcopal Church is intertwined with the history of colonialism and slavery in the United States. More than four centuries ago, the first Africans were brought to the Americas and enslaved. Two centuries ago, enslaved and indigenous persons contributed to the exploration of this state by Lewis and Clark. Our state’s history is entangled with both the Missouri Compromise making this state officially a slave state, and the cases of Scott v. Emerson that petitioned for Dred and Harriet Scott’s emancipation. We acknowledge the tragic legacy of slavery in our diocese, and the blood, sweat, and tears of enslaved people that soak the earth beneath our feet in Missouri. This legacy persists today as we continue to work towards racial justice, equity, liberation, and community, here in Missouri and across The Episcopal Church.



“What is this stuff of sainthood? What is it that takes ordinary men and women, both notable and remembered and not so notable or remembered and turns them from sinners to saints? We are called to witness by being washed in the blood of the Lamb. This means to rely on the grace of God, to rely on Jesus Christ, the Divine Word, and the word of God which comes to us through Holy Scripture, and to rely on the empowerment of the Holy Spirit to keep us

faithful despite the pressures and threats to our spirituality and to our commitment to Jesus Christ.

God not my will but your will - so easy to say, so difficult to live. My sisters and brothers, **we are called to sainthood**, not only when we have entered that larger life, but now; now, in spite our sinfulness, now, in spite of the continuing battle of my will, your will thwarting God's will. Jesus beckons each of us to respond to the Holy Spirit, the Spirit who is always there ready to flood us with love and grace and power to do the will of God.

This is the stuff of the Gospel; this is the stuff of our faith. This is how we are called to live as followers of Jesus Christ. Sisters and brothers, this is the stuff of sainthood.”



YET EVEN AT THE GRAVE
WE MAKE OUR SONG:



ALLELUIA
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THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

PRELUDE

WELCOME & LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

THE RECEPTION OF THE CREMAINS

The Bishops meet the cremains at the door of the church.

Bishop Friends in Christ, we gather in this sacred space to entrust to Almighty God the mortal remains of our brother Alfred Joseph, beloved child of God. Al was washed in the waters of Holy Baptism and made one with Christ Jesus in his life, death, and resurrection. Therefore, with faith in Jesus Christ, we receive his mortal remains.

Bishop With this water and the covering of this pall, we call to mind Al's baptism. As Christ went through the deep waters of death for us, so may Christ bring him to the fullness of resurrection and life. Let us pray with confidence to God, the Giver of life, that Al will be raised to perfection in the company of the saints in light.

The Pall is placed by members of the family. The cremains are now sprinkled with holy water.

Silence may be kept; after which the Bishop says

Bishop Deliver your servant, Alfred, O Sovereign Lord Christ, from all evil, and set him free from every bond; that he may rest with all your saints in the eternal habitations. Amen.

THE OPENING ANTHEMS

The Bishop continues as the clergy take their places.

Bishop I am Resurrection and I am Life, says the Lord. Whoever has faith in me shall have life, even though they die. And everyone who has life, and has committed themselves to me in faith, shall not die for ever. As for me, I know that my Redeemer lives and that at the last he will stand upon the earth. After my awaking, God will raise me up; and in my body I shall see God. I myself shall see, and my eyes behold him who is my friend and not a stranger. For none of us has life in our self, and none becomes their own master when we die. For if we have life, we are alive in the Lord, and if we die, we die in the Lord. So, then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's possession. Happy from now on are those who die in the Lord! So it is, says the Spirit, for they rest from their labors.

OPENING HYMN: HYMNAL 287 "FOR ALL THE SAINTS"



1. For all the saints who from their la - bors
 2. O blest com - mu - nion, fel - low - ship di -
 3. The gold - en eve - ning bright - ens in the
 4. But lo! there breaks a yet more glo - rious
 5. From earth's wide bounds, from o - cean's far - thest



1. rest, Who you _____ by faith be - fore the world con -
 2. vine! _____ We fee - bly strug - gle, they in glo - ry
 3. west; _____ Soon to the loy - al faith - ful comes their
 4. day; The saints _____ tri - um - phant rise in bright ar -
 5. coast, Through gates _____ of heav'n streams in the count - less



1. fessed, Your Name, O _____ Je - sus, be for - ev - er
 2. shine; Yet all are _____ one with - in your great de -
 3. rest; _____ Sweet is the calm of Par - a - dise so
 4. ray; The King of _____ Glo - ry pass - es on his
 5. host, _____ Sing - ing to Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly



1. blest.
 2. sign.
 3. blest.
 4. way.
 5. Ghost: } Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Text: 10 10 10 with alleluias; William W. How, 1823-1897, alt. Music: Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872-1958.

THE COLLECTS

Bishop God is with you.

People And also with you.

Bishop Let us pray.

Silence is kept for a time.

Bishop O God of grace and glory, we remember before you this day our brother, Al, we thank you for giving him to us, his family and friends, to know and to love as companions on our earthly pilgrimage. In your boundless compassion, console us who mourn. Give us faith to see in death the gate of eternal life, so that in quiet confidence we may continue our course on earth, until, by your call, we are reunited with those who have gone before; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Bishop Most merciful God, whose wisdom is beyond our understanding, deal graciously with Dayna, Carolyn, Joe, Angie, and their families in their grief. Surround them with your love, that they may not be overwhelmed by their loss, but have confidence in your goodness, and strength to meet the days to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

All are seated.

We ENGAGE the SACRED STORIES

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: ISAIAH 25:6-9

EVAN HOWELL

On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear. And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death forever. Then the Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken. It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the LORD for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

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

People Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM OF THE DAY: PSALM 116

MATTHEW HOWELL

The psalm is prayed responsively.

V. I love the Lord who has heard the voice of my supplication, who has listened to me whenever I called.

R. **The cords of death entangled me; the grip of the grave took hold of me; I came to grief and sorrow.**

V. Then I called upon the name of the Lord: "O Lord, I pray you, save my life."

R. **Gracious is the Lord and righteous; our God is full of compassion.**

V. The Lord watches over the innocent; I was brought very low, and the Lord helped me.

R. **Turn again to your rest, O my soul, for the Lord has treated you well.**

V. For you, O Lord, have rescued my life from death, my eyes from tears, and my feet from stumbling.

R. **I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living.**

V. I believed, even when I said, "I have been brought very low."

R. **In my distress I said, "No one can be trusted."**

V. How shall I repay you, O Lord, for all the good things you have done for me?

R. **I will lift up the cup of salvation and call upon your name.**

V. I will fulfil my vows to the Lord in the presence of all the people.

R. **Precious in your sight, O Lord is the death of your servants.**

V. O Lord, I am your servant; I am your servant and the child of your handmaid; you have freed me from my bonds.

R. **I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving and call upon the name of the Lord.**

V. I will fulfil my vows to the Lord in the presence of all the people of God.

R. **In the courts of the house of the Lord, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem. Hallelujah!**

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: ROMANS 8:14-19,34-35,37-39

DAY CHAMBERS

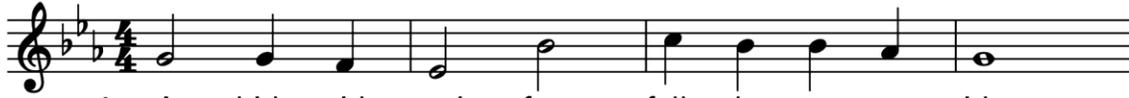
All who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him. I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God. Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us.

Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Reader Hear what the Holy Spirit is saying to the Church.

People Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE HYMN: HYMNAL 1982 #662 "ABIDE WITH ME"



1. A - bide with me! fast falls the e - ven - tide;
2. I need your pres - ence ev - 'ry pass - ing hour:
3. I fear no foe with you at hand to bless;
4. Hold then your cross be - fore my clos - ing eyes;



1. The dark - ness deep - ens; Lord, with me a - bide;
2. What but your grace can foil the tempt - er's pow'r?
3. Ills have no weight, and tears no bit - ter - ness.
4. Shine through the gloom and point me to the skies!



1. When oth - er help - ers fail and com - forts flee,
2. Who like your - self my guide and strength can be?
3. Where is death's sting? Where, grave, your vic - to - ry?
4. Heav'n's morn - ing breaks and earth's vain shad - ows flee;



1. Help of the help - less, O a - bide with me!
2. Through cloud and sun - shine, Lord, a - bide with me!
3. I tri - umph still, if you a - bide with me!
4. In life, in death, O Lord, a - bide with me!

Text: 10 10 10 10; Henry F. Lyte, 1793–1847, alt. Music by Wm. H. Monk, 1823-1889.

THE GOSPEL: JOHN 14:1-6

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

People Glory to you, O Christ.

Jesus said, "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going." Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, O Christ.

THE SERMON

A period of silence follows the sermon.

THE REV. ANNE KELSEY

Priest Associate, Church of St. Michael & St. George

THE APOSTLES' CREED

Deacon In the assurance of eternal life given at Baptism let us affirm our faith in the words of the Apostles' Creed.

All who are able stand.

Deacon Do you believe in God?

People **We believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Deacon Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

People **We believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

Deacon Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

People **We believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

THE PRAYERS FOR THE DEPARTED

All remain standing.

Bishop For our brother Al, let us pray to our Lord Jesus Christ who said, "I am Resurrection and I am Life."

Leader Almighty God, who has knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship, in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: Grant, we pray you, to your whole Church in paradise and on earth, your light and your peace. By your grace;

People **Hear us, O Christ.**

Leader Grant that all who have been baptized into Christ's death and resurrection may die to sin and rise to newness of life, and that through the grave and gate of death we may pass with him to our joyful resurrection. By your grace;

People **Hear us, O Christ.**

Leader Grant to us who are still in our earthly pilgrimage, and who walk as yet by faith, that your Holy Spirit may lead us in holiness and righteousness all our days. By your grace;

People **Hear us, O Christ.**

Leader Grant to your faithful people pardon and peace, that we may be cleansed from all our sins, and serve you with a quiet mind. By your grace;

People **Hear us, O Christ.**

Leader Grant to all who mourn a sure confidence in your eternal care, that, casting all their grief on you, they may know the consolation of your love. By your grace;

People **Hear us, O Christ.**

Leader Give courage and faith to those who are bereaved, that they may have strength to meet the days ahead in the comfort of a reasonable and holy hope, in the joyful expectation of eternal life with those they love. By your grace;

People **Hear us, O Christ.**

Leader Help us, we pray, in the midst of things we cannot understand, to believe and trust in the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, and the resurrection to life everlasting. By your grace;

People **Hear us, O Christ.**

Leader Grant us grace to entrust Al to your never-failing love; receive him into the arms of your mercy, and remember him according to the favor which you bear unto all your people. By your grace;

People **Hear us, O Christ.**

Leader Grant that, increasing in knowledge and love of you, they may go from strength to strength in the life of perfect service in thy heavenly kingdom. By your grace;

People **Hear us, O Christ.**

The Bishop concludes the prayers with this Collect

Bishop Grant us, with all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, to have our consummation and bliss in your eternal and everlasting glory, and, with all your saints, to receive the crown of life which you promise to all who share in the victory of your Son Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

THE PEACE

Bishop The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Christ.

WORDS of WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

Memorial gifts in honor of the Rev. Al Jewson may be made to the Creation Care Ministry of the Episcopal Diocese of Missouri.

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GATHERING AT CHRIST'S TABLE: THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

OFFERTORY HYMN: HYMNAL 1982 #488 "BE NOW MY VISION"



1. Be now my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart.
2. Be now my wis - dom, be now my true word,
3. Rich - es I heed not, or vain, emp - ty praise;
4. High King of heav - en, when vic - t'ry is won,



Noth - ing else sat - is - fies, on - ly you, Lord.
I ev - er with you, and you with me, Lord.
you, my in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways.
may I reach heav - en's joys, O heav - en's Son!



Be now my best thought, by day or by night;
Be now my Par - ent, and I your true heir.
You, and you on - ly, the first in my heart;
Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,



wak - ing or sleep - ing, your pres - ence my light.
You dwell in - side me, to - geth - er in prayer.
high King of heav - en, from me ne'er de - part.
still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER: PRAYER C

Bishop God is with you.

Obispo El Señor sea con ustedes.

People And also with you.

Pueblo Y con tu espíritu.

Bishop Lift up your hearts.

Obispo Elevemos los corazones.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Pueblo Los elevamos al Señor.

Bishop Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Obispo Demos gracias a Dios nuestro Señor.

People It is right to give thanks and praise.

Pueblo Es justo darle gracias y alabanza.

The Bishop continues with the Eucharistic Prayer.

Bishop God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

People Glory to you for ever and ever.

Bishop At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

People By your will they were created and have their being.

Bishop From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

People **Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.**

Bishop Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

People **By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.**

Bishop And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

SANCTUS: LAND OF REST

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord, Lord God of
hosts. Heav - en 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.

Bishop And so, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Bishop On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

Bishop After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, 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."

Bishop Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

People **We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.**

Bishop Lord God of our ancestors: God of Abraham and Sarah, Isaac and Rebekah, Jacob, Rachel, and Leah; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

People **Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.**

Bishop Accept these prayers and praises, O God, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation.

People AMEN.



THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Bishop invites the People to say the prayer Jesus taught his first disciples.

Bishop And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

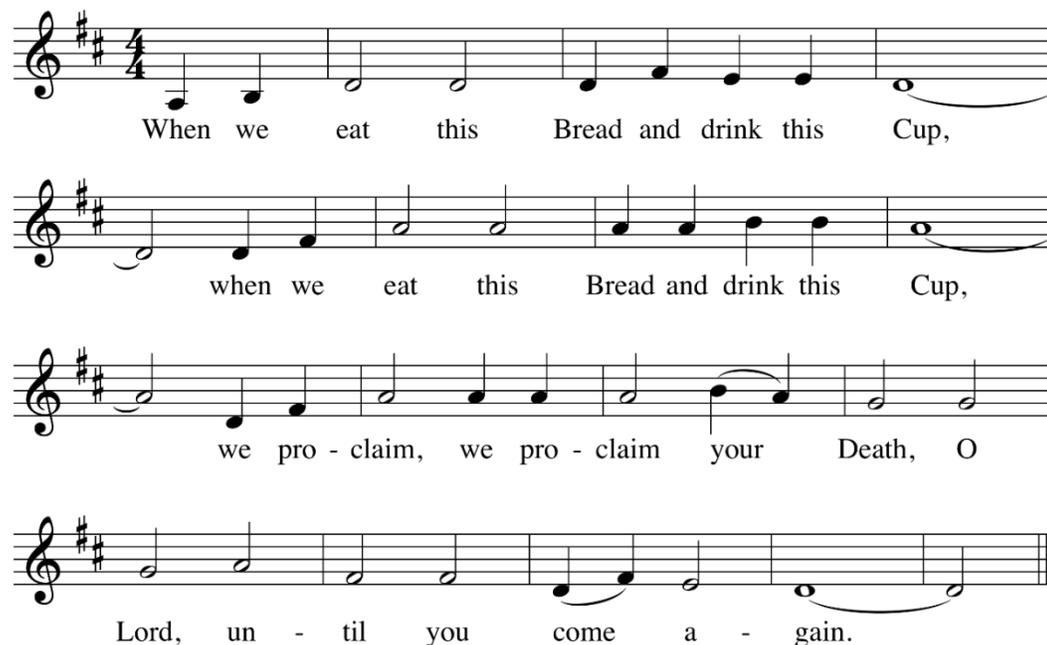
People Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Bishop breaks the consecrated bread.

Bishop Alleluia! Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore let us keep the feast! Alleluia! Alleluia!



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THE INVITATION

The Bishop then says

The Gifts of God for the People of God. So come you who have been here often and you who have not been here in a long time. You who are full of faith or full of doubt. You who have tried to follow Jesus and you who have failed. Come, it is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

Those participating at home may, if they wish, say this prayer during the time of Communion:

Gracious and Loving God, on this day we are not able to gather around your table to celebrate your presence in the sacrament of bread and wine. We are not able to share your peace with one another. Nevertheless, we lift up our hearts, we join with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven as we proclaim you holy and receive you into our hearts by faith. Strengthen our love for you. Help us offer our sacrifice with all your faithful people, that we may restore health and wholeness to one another and to all your creation. Give us patience and hope as we long for the day when we can gather and break bread together again. Through Christ our Savior. Amen.

COMMUNION HYMNS:

HYMNAL 1982 #671 "AMAZING GRACE"

1. Amazing grace!

How sweet the sound

That saved a wretch like me!

I once was lost, but now am found,

Was blind but now I see.

2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,

And grace my fears relieved;

How precious did that grace appear

The hour I first believed!

5. When we've been there ten thousand years,

Bright shining as the sun,

We've no less days to sing God's praise

Than when we'd first begun.

3. The Lord has promised good to me,

His word my hope secures;

He will my shield and portion be

As long as life endures.

4. Through many dangers, toils and snares,

I have already come;

'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far,

And grace will lead me home.

HYMNAL 1982 #24 "THE DAY THOU GIVEST LORD IS ENDED"

1. The day you gave us, Lord, is ended,

The darkness falls at your behest;

To you our morning hymns ascended,

Your praise shall sanctify our rest.

2. We thank you that your Church, unsleeping

While earth rolls onward into light,

Through all the world its watch is keeping,

And never rests by day or night.

3. Across each continent and island

As dawn leads on another day,

The voice of prayer is never silent,

Nor do the praises die away.

4. The sun that bids us rest is waking

Your children under western skies

And hour by hour as day is breaking,

Fresh hymns of thankful praise arise.

5. So be it, Lord; your realm shall never,

Like earth's proud empires, pass away:

Your kingdom stands, and grows forever,

Till all your creatures own your sway.

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Bishop God is with you.

People And also with you.

Bishop Let us pray.

People Almighty God, we thank you that in your great love you have fed us with the spiritual food and drink of the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ, and have given us a foretaste of your heavenly banquet. Grant that this Sacrament may be to us a comfort in affliction, and a pledge of our inheritance in that kingdom where there is no death, neither sorrow nor crying, but the fullness of joy with all your saints; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

COMMENDATION HYMN: HYMNAL 1982 #358 "CHRIST THE VICTORIOUS" VS. 1-2

RUSSIA

While the hymn is being sung the clergy and family gather around the cremains.

1 Christ the Victorious, give to your servants
rest with your saints in the regions of light.
Grief and pain ended, and sighing no longer,
there may they find everlasting life.

2 Only Immortal One, Mighty Creator!
We are your creatures and children of earth.
From earth you formed us, both glorious and mortal,
and to the earth shall we all return.

3 God-spoken prophecy, word at creation:
"You came from dust and to dust shall return."
Yet at the grave shall we raise up our glad song,
"Alleluia, alleluia!"

4 Christ the Victorious, give to your servants
rest with your saints in the regions of light.
Grief and pain ended, and sighing no longer,
there may they find everlasting life.

THE COMMENDATION

Bishop We now commend Alfred to the mercy of God, our maker, redeemer, and comforter.

Silence is kept for a time.

Bishop Al, our companion in faith and our brother in Christ, we entrust you to God. Go forth from this world in the love of God who created you, in the mercy of Jesus who died for you, in the power of the Holy Spirit who receives and protects you. May you rest in peace where pain and grief are banished, and life and joy are yours for ever. Amen.

Bishop Give rest, O Christ, to your servants with your saints,
People where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing, but life everlasting.

Bishop You only are immortal, the creator and maker of humankind; and we are mortal, formed of the earth, and to earth shall we return. For so did you ordain when you created me, saying, "You are dust, and to dust you shall return." All of us go down to the dust; yet even at the grave we make our song: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

People Give rest, O Christ, to your servants with your saints, where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing, but life everlasting.

Bishop Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servant Al. Acknowledge, we humbly beseech you, a sheep of your own fold, a lamb of your own flock, a sinner of your own redeeming. Receive him into the arms of your mercy, into the blessed rest of everlasting peace, and into the glorious company of the saints in light. Amen.

Bishop O Lord, support us all the day long, until the shadows lengthen, and the evening comes, and the busy world is hushed, and the fever of life is over, and our work is done. Then in your mercy, grant us a safe lodging, and a holy rest, and peace at last. Amen.

THE BLESSING & SENDING

The Bishop blesses the people with these words

Bishop The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the eternal covenant: Make you perfect in every good work to do God's will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in God's sight; And the blessing of God Almighty, the grace of Christ the Son, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you and remain with you forever. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN: HYMNAL 1982 #657 "LOVE DIVINE ALL LOVES EXCELLING"



1. Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of heav'n, to
2. Come, al - might - y to de - liv - er; Let us all your
3. Fin - ish then your new cre - a - tion, Pure and spot - less,



1. earth come down! Fix in us your hum - ble dwell - ing; All your
2. life re - ceive; Sud - den - ly re - turn and nev - er, Nev - er -
3. gra - cious Lord; Let us see your great sal - va - tion Per - fect -



1. faith - ful mer - cies crown. Je - sus, source of all com - pas - sion,
2. more your tem - ples leave. Lord, we would be al - ways bless - ing,
3. ly in you re - stored. Changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry,



1. Love un - bound - ed, love all pure; Vis - it us with
2. Serve you as your hosts a - bove, Pray, and praise you
3. Till in heav'n we take our place, Till we sing be -



1. your sal - va - tion, Let your love in us en - dure.
2. with - out - ceas - ing, Glo - ry in your pre - cious love.
3. fore the al - might - y, Lost in won - der, love and praise.

Text: 87 87 D; Charles Wesley, 1707–1788, alt. Music: Rowland H. Prichard, 1811–1887.

The Deacon then dismisses the people.:

Deacon Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Deacon Go in peace, remember the poor; be kind one to another; and may the Lord watch between thee and me, while we are absent one from another. Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

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