The words that I speak unto you,

# SPIRIT,

and they are

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Welcome! We come from many backgrounds, have varied points of view, and are in different places in our spiritual journey. We share a common desire to enter more deeply into the life God has for us in Christ Jesus.

Thank you for worshipping here today. We invite you to share in the bread and wine of communion with us at the Lord's Table. Wherever you are in your spiritual journey, you are welcome here.

Please join us after the service for refreshments and fellowship in the Parish House.

## **Visitors and Guests**

If you are joining us today for the first time, please sign the register in the narthex or complete the visitor's card located in each pew.

## Pentecost

It begins on the Monday following The Day of Pentecost, and continues through most of the summer and autumn. It may include as many as twenty-eight Sundays, depending on the date of Easter. This includes Trinity Sunday which is the First Sunday after Pentecost. Prior to the 1979 BCP, Sundays in this long period of the church year were identified and counted in terms of the number of Sundays after Trinity Sunday instead of the number of Sundays after Pentecost. This period is also understood by some as "ordinary time," a period of the church year not dedicated to a particular season or observance.

# THE HOLY EUCHARIST

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Prelude:

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<u>Announcements</u>

Entrance Hymn: All stand

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Celebrant

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People

And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

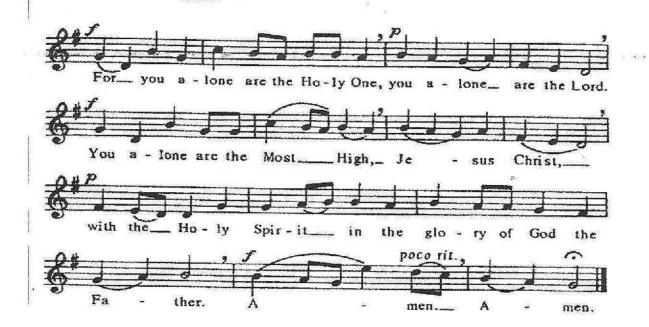
Everyone in Unison remaining standing

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

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The Collect of the Day in Unison

See Scripture Insert (Contemporary)

#### The First Lesson

See Scripture Insert

Before the lesson

Reader A reading from the Book of \_\_\_\_\_.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

After the lesson

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

## The Second Lesson

See Scripture Insert

Before the lesson

Reader A reading from \_\_\_\_\_\_.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

After the lesson

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn: All stand

See Information Sheet

**The Gospel** All stand and face the Celebrant

See Scripture Insert

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to \_\_\_\_\_\_.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

After the Gospel, the Celebrant says

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

#### The Sermon

## The Nicene Creed All stand and say together

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 (Form I) All standing

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 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 **Sean**, our Presiding Bishop; for **Kevin**, our bishop and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our President, **Donald**, and **Matt**, our Governor, and for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our town of Seaford, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, 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 the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, for our Armed Forces throughout the world, for Police Officers and Firefighters, for the sick and the suffering and for the special needs and concerns of this congregation, especially those on our Parish Prayer List, 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 those we name now either silently or aloud (pause)...... 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.

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

Lord, have mercy.

In the communion of Luke 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.

Leader and People

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
In your compassion forgive us our sins,
known and unknown,
things done and left undone;
and so uphold us by your Spirit
That we may live and serve you in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of your Name;
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.** 

#### The Peace All stand

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

## **Birthday and Anniversary Blessings**

Offertory:

See Information Sheet

Doxology Sung

# THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

# Eucharistic Prayer B

The people remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and says

Celebrant

The Lord be with you.

People

And also with you.

Celebrant

Lift up your hearts.

People

We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

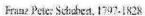
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Here a Proper Preface is sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.

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:

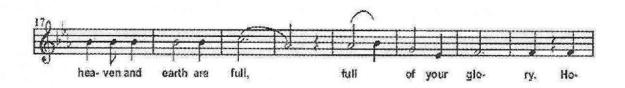
## Celebrant and People

# Sanctus















#### Then the Celebrant 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.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

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 give 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,

Celebrant and People

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

#### The Celebrant continues

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 Luke 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.



## The Lord's Prayer

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

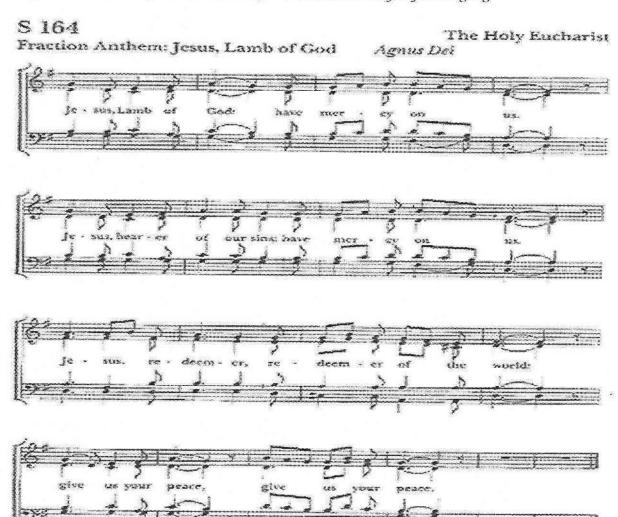
## The Breaking of the Bread

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

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us:

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Agnus Dei (Jesus, Lamb of God): Celebrant and people singing



Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

and may add:

Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and

feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

#### The Communion

In the Episcopal Church we believe that all baptized Christians are welcome to receive Communion at the Lord's Table. Please come forward as you are able or ask an usher for Communion at your seat.

The Celebrant and the communicants receive the Sacrament. The following or similar words are said to each at the distribution and each responds, saying Amen.

Celebrant

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven.

People

Amen.

Tucharistic Minister The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation.

People

Amen.

Post Communion Hymn:

See Information Sheet

#### **After Communion**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant and People 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 Blessing of the Congregation

The Celebrant blesses the people with these or other suitable words, the people respond with 'Amen'.

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of His Son, Jesus Christ, and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you and remain with you always. **Amen.** 

#### Retiring Hymn:

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Celebrant

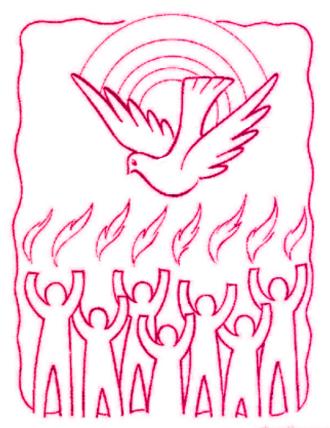
We go forth to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.

People

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Postlude:

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