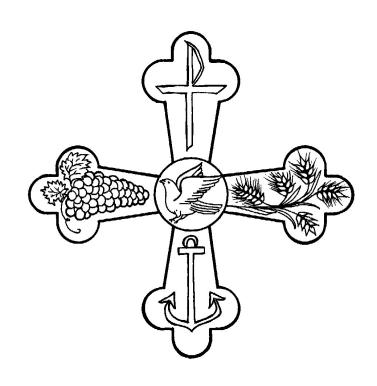
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HOLY INNOCENTS' EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

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Opening Song

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

Call to Worship

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Collect for the Mission of the Church

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you, bring the nations into your fold, pour out your Spirit upon all flesh, and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord,

who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Isaiah 2:2-4

In days to come the mountain of the LORD's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it. Many peoples shall come and say, 'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob: that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths.' For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning-hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.

Reader The Word of the Lord

People Thanks be to God

Psalm 96:1-7

¹ Sing to the Lord a new song; * sing to the Lord, all the whole earth.

² Sing to the Lord and bless his Name; * proclaim the good news of his salvation from day to day.



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³ Declare his glory among the nations *

and his wonders among all peoples.

⁴ For great is the Lord and greatly to be praised; *

he is more to be feared than all gods.

⁵ As for all the gods of the nations, they are but idols; *

but it is the Lord who made the heavens.

 6 Oh, the majesty and magnificence of his presence! \ast

Oh, the power and the splendor of his sanctuary!

⁷ Ascribe to the Lord, you families of the peoples; *

ascribe to the Lord honor and power.

Ephesians 2:13-22

But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of

Christ. For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken

down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. He has abolished the law with its

commandments and ordinances, so that he might create in himself one new humanity in

place of the two, thus making peace, and might reconcile both groups to God in one body

through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. So he came and proclaimed

peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; for through him both of

us have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens,

but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon

the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In

him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom

you also are built together spirituall into a dwelling-place for God.

Reader

The Word of the Lord

People

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Sequence Song

Open the Eyes of My Heart

Luke 10:1-9 Standing, all facing the Gospeler

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, "Peace to this house!' And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; cure the sick who are there, and say to them, "The kingdom of God has come near to you.'

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rt. Rev. Dabney T.

Smith

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

A Litany for the Mission of the Church

Father, Creator, from whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named, *Have mercy on us.*

O Son, Redeemer, through whom the world is reconciled to the Father, *Have mercy on us.*

O Holy Spirit, Sanctifier, whose glory fills the world and searches the deep things of God, *Have mercy on us.*

O Holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, one God, *Have mercy on us.*

From blind hearts and petty spirits, that refuse to see the need of all humankind for your love,

O Lord, deliver us.

From pride, self-sufficiency, and the unwillingness to admit our need of your compassion,

O Lord, deliver us.

From discouragement in the face of pain and disappointment, and from lack of persistence and thoroughness,



O Lord, deliver us.

By your incarnation and lowly birth in the stable,

O Lord, be born anew in us.

By your abundant feeding of the multitudes,

O Lord, nourish us.

By your suffering and death, which broke down the dividing walls between God and humanity and among all your people, *O Lord, reconcile us.*

By your glorious resurrection and ascension,

O Lord, renew us with your power.

By your commission to the Apostles,

O Lord, send us forth.

By the coming of the Holy Spirit, who unites all things in heaven and earth, *O Lord, make us one.*

Strengthen and encourage all who do your work in lonely and dangerous places. *Hear us, O Lord.*

Open the hearts and hands of many for the support of your Church in every place. *Hear us, O Lord.*

Touch our ears, that we may hear from every mouth the wonderful works of God. *Hear us, O Lord.*

Touch our lips, that we may tell in every tongue the wonderful works of God.

Hear us, O Lord.

Touch our hands, that we may do the truth which you have taught us.

Hear us, O Lord.

Touch our feet, that we may go for you into all parts of the world.

Hear us, O Lord.

We especially hold up to our brothers and sisters in our Companion Diocese of the Dominican Republic, Bishop Julio Holguin; the Diocese of Georgia, Bishop Scott Benhase; the Diocese of South Carolina, Bishop Mark Lawrence; and the Diocese of Western Louisiana, Bishop Bruce MacPherson.

Hear us, O Lord.

The people may add their own prayers of petition or thanksgiving either silently or aloud.

Closing Collect

Celebrant

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 Spirit to preach the Gospel to all nations. We thank you that in all parts of the earth a 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.*

Commissioning of Mission Team Members

Bishop

Brothers and sisters in Christ Jesus, we are all baptized by the one Spirit into one Body, and given gifts for a variety of ministries for the common good. Our purpose is to commission these persons in the Name of God and of this congregation to a special ministry to which they are called.

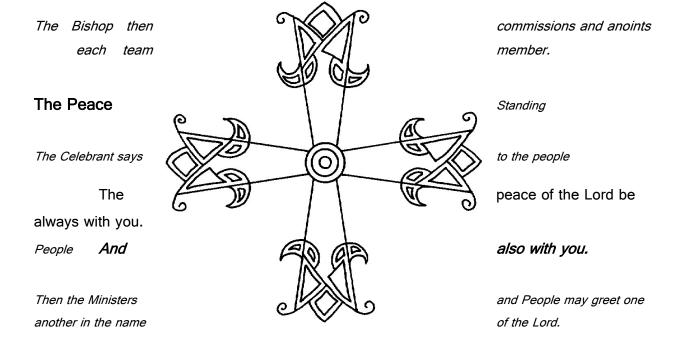
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The gifts of the Lord were that some should be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the Body of Christ.

- V. Declare his glory among the nations and his wonders among the people:
- R. Tell it out among the nations: "The Lord is King!"

Let us pray. (Silence)

Gracious Father, your Son before he ascended to glory declared that your people would receive power from the Holy Spirit to bear witness to him to the ends of the earth: Be present with all go forth in his Name. Let your love shine through their witness, so that the blind may see, the deaf hear, the lame walk, the dead be raised up, and the poor have the good news preached to them, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Song

Shout to the Lord

The Doxology



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The Great Thanksgiving Standing



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Eucharistic Prayer A

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.

Celebrant

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

Through the great shepherd of your flock, Jesus Christ our Lord; who after his resurrection sent forth his apostles to preach the Gospel and to teach all nations; and promised to be with them always, even to the end of the ages.

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: S-130

Franz Schubert

Holy, holy, holy Lord (Sanctus)

Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of
Heaven and earth are full of
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the

Hosanna in the highest.



power and might, your glory.

name of the Lord.

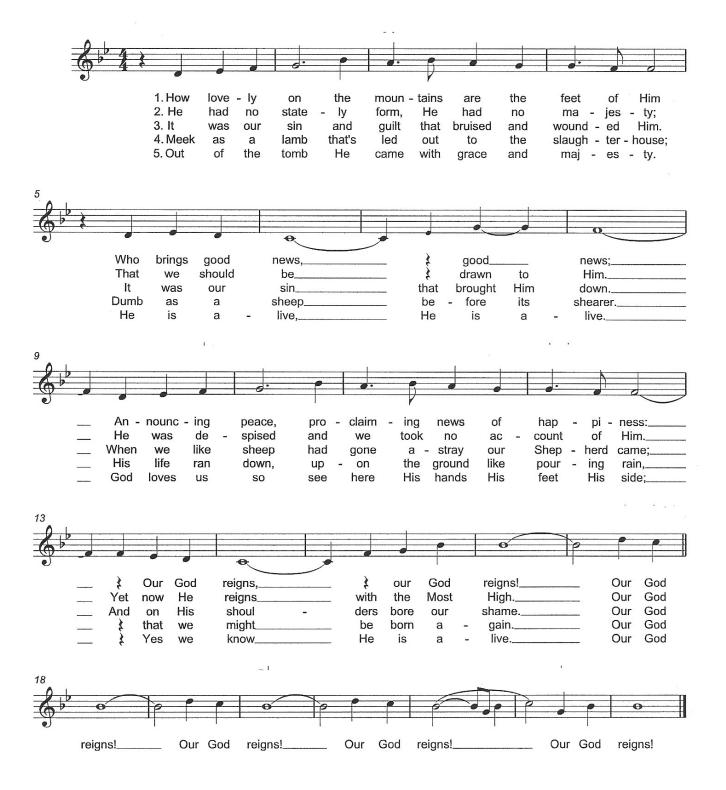
Then the Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent

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Our God Reigns

Words and Music by Leonard E. Smith, Jr.



Celebrant

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

Celebrant and 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 Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrifices for us.

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

Celebrant

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you,



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