



# St. Barnabas

## EPISCOPAL PARISH

The Holy Eucharist

October 15, 2023

The Twentieth Sunday of Pentecost

### St. Barnabas Mission Statement

**We experience God's redeeming love in all and through all and respond to love through faithful worship, life-long spiritual growth, and committed outreach.**

**Our community shares a progressive faith, opens our arms to all seekers, and works to make the world more just.**

*In Isaiah we are given a vision of the great feast to come, when God will wipe away death forever. In Jesus' parable about a great banquet, those invited do not come, so the invitation is extended to others. In our liturgy, God spreads a table before us. Even amid anxiety and hardship we rejoice in the peace of God which surpasses all understanding. With great joy we feast at the Table of the Lord, and we go forth to share the wonderful invitation with others hungering and thirsting for the abundant life of God.*

A bell tolls.

### THE GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*We invite you to quiet your minds and hearts as we prepare for worship.*

### THE PRELUDE

*If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee*

Sigfrid Kart-Elert

## The Liturgy of Gathering

*Please stand in body or spirit.*

### THE GATHERING HYMN (9:30)\*

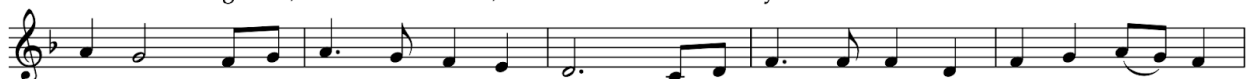
#### All Are Welcome ELW-641



1.Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safe - ly live, a  
3.Let us build a house where love is found in wa - ter, wine and wheat: where  
4.Let us build a house where hands will reach be - yond the wood and stone to



place where saints and chil - dren tell how hearts learn to for - give. Built of hopes and dreams and  
all God's chil - dren dare to seek to peace and jus - tice meet. Here the love of God, through  
heal and strength-en, serve and teach, and live the Word they've known. Here the out - cast and the



vi - sions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the love of Christ shall end di - vi - sions:  
Je - sus, is re - vealed in time and space; as we share in Christ the feast that frees us:  
strang - er bear the im - age of God's face; let us bring an end to fear and dan - ger:



All are wel - come, all are wel - come, all are wel - come in this place.

## THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

+Blessed be our God.

**For ever and ever. Amen.**

## THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

**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.**

## THE KYRIE (7:45)

Lord, have mercy.

**Christ, have mercy.**

Lord, have mercy.

## THE HYMN OF PRAISE (9:30)\*

### Glory to God

Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace\_\_\_ to God's peo-ple on  
earth. Lord God, heaven-ly King, al-might-y God and Fa - ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we  
praise you for your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb\_ of  
God, you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the  
right hand of the Fa-ther: re - ceive our prayer. For you a-lone are the Ho - ly One, -  
you a- lone\_ are the Lord, you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly  
Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of God\_\_\_ the Fa - ther. A - men.

## THE SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

God be with you.

### And also with you.

Let us pray...Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## THE PRAYER OF DISCERNMENT FOR THE ELECTION OF THE PRESIDING BISHOP

Almighty God, source of all wisdom and understanding: Look graciously on your Church, and so guide the hearts and minds of those who will choose our next presiding bishop, that we may receive a faithful pastor who will care for all of your people, equip us for our ministries, and proclaim your word to us and to the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## *The Liturgy of the Word*

*Please sit.*

### THE HEBREW SCRIPTURES     *Isaiah 25:1-9*

*The reading is introduced.*

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

YHWH, you are my God—  
I exalt you! I praise your Name!  
For you do marvelous things,  
planned long ago with steadfast faithfulness.

You turned cities into dump heaps,  
fortified cities into rubble;  
strongholds of foreigners are no more,  
never to be rebuilt.

It is for this reason  
that the powerful honor you,  
and cities of ruthless people fear you.

Yet you are a refuge to poor people  
refuge to the needy in their distress,  
shelter in the storm,  
shade from the heat—  
for the breath of the ruthless  
is like an ice storm or a scorching drought.

You subdue the roar of the enemy,  
and the mantra of tyrants is stilled.

On this mountain,  
YHWH Omnipotent will prepare for all peoples  
a banquet of rich food,  
a banquet of fine wines,

food rich and succulent,  
and fine, aged wines.

On this mountain God will remove  
the mourning veil covering all peoples,  
the shroud covering all nations,  
destroying all death forever.

God will wipe away  
the tears from every cheek,  
and will take away the shame  
of God's people on earth, wherever they live.  
YHWH has spoken.

On that Day it will be said,  
"This is our God, this is the One for whose liberation we waited,  
YHWH is the One in whom we had hoped!  
We rejoice exultantly in our deliverance!"

*A brief silence, then:*

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

**Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 23            *Dominus regit me***

*The psalm is prayed in unison.*

**O God, you are my shepherd; \*  
I shall not be in want.**

**You make me lie down in green pastures. \*  
and lead me beside still waters.**

**You revive my soul \*  
and guide me along right pathways  
for the sake of your Name.**

**Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,  
I shall fear no evil. \*  
for you are with me.  
your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**

**You spread a table before me in the presence of those  
who trouble me. \*  
you have anointed my head with oil,  
and my cup is running over.**

**Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me  
all the days of my life. \*  
and I will dwell in the house of God forever.**

**Glory to God, Source of All Being, Incarnate  
Word and Holy Spirit; \***  
**as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be  
for ever. Amen.**

**THE CHRISTIAN SCRIPTURES**      *Philippians 4:1-9*

*The reading is introduced.*

A reading from Paul's letter to the Philippians.

For these reasons, my dear friends—you whom I so love and long for, you who are my joy and my crown—continue, my dear ones, to stand firm in Christ Jesus.

I implore Euodia and Syntyche to come to an agreement with each other in Christ. And I ask you, Syzygus, to be a true comrade and help these coworkers. These two women struggled at my side in defending the Good News, along with Clement and the others who worked with me. Their names are written in the Book of Life.

Rejoice in the Savior always! I say it again: Rejoice! Let everyone see your forbearing spirit. Our Savior is near. Dismiss all anxiety from your minds; instead, present your needs to God through prayer and petition, giving thanks for all circumstances. Then God's own peace, which is beyond all understanding, will stand guard over your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, my friends, your thoughts should be wholly directed to all that is true, all that deserves respect, all that is honest, pure, decent, admirable, virtuous or worthy of praise. Live according to what you have learned and accepted, what you have heard me say and seen me do. Then will the God of peace be with you.

*A brief silence, then:*

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

**Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand in body or spirit.*

**THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (9:30)\***

**Alleluia**

The musical notation is written on a single staff in G major (one sharp). It consists of three measures. The first measure contains the notes G4, A4, B4, and C5. The second measure contains the notes D5, C5, B4, A4, and G4, with a fermata over the final G4. The third measure contains the notes G4, A4, B4, and C5. Below the staff, the lyrics 'Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.' are written, with hyphens indicating that the notes are sustained across the measures.

*Cantor:* Jesus says, I chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit that will last.

**THE HOLY GOSPEL**      *Matthew 22:1-14*

*The Holy Gospel is announced.*

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

**Glory to you, O Christ.**

Then Jesus spoke to them again in parables. He said, "The realm of heaven is like this: there was a ruler who prepared a feast for the wedding of the family's heir; but when the ruler sent out workers to summon the invited guests, they wouldn't come. The ruler sent other workers, telling them to say to the guests, 'I have prepared this feast for you. My oxen and fattened cattle have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come

to the wedding.’

“But they took no notice; one went off to his farm, another to her business, and the rest seized the workers, attacked them brutally and killed them. The ruler was furious and dispatched troops who destroyed those murderers and burned their town.

“Then the ruler said to the workers, ‘The wedding feast is ready, but the guests I invited don’t deserve the honor. Go out to the crossroads in the town and invite everyone you can find.’ The workers went out into the streets and collected everyone they met, good and bad alike, until the hall was filled with guests.

“The ruler, however, came in to see the company at table, and noticed one guest who was not dressed for a wedding. ‘My friend,’ said the ruler, ‘why are you here without a wedding garment?’ But the guest was silent. Then the ruler said to the attendants, ‘Bind this guest hand and foot, and throw the individual out into the darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’

“Many are called, but few are chosen.”

*A brief silence, then:*

The Gospel of Christ.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Please sit.*

**THE HOMILY**      Ms. Patti Walter

## **RECOGNITION OF THE RETIREMENT OF CAROLE TILLOTSON**

For everything there is a season; a time to go, and a time to come. Yet the Spirit blows where she will, and for those who are led by the Spirit, they must follow. God has blessed the Church with almost eighteen years of service by Carole Tillotson. She has been the organist and choir accompanist at St. Barnabas, our co-worker in Christ, our friend. With joy and sadness, we mark and celebrate the ending of her ministry with us.

Praise God with the blast of the ram’s-horn;

**praise God with lyre and harp.**

Praise God with timbrel and dance;

**praise God with strings and pipe.**

Praise God with resounding cymbals;

**praise God with loud-clanging cymbals.**

Let everything that has breath

**praise God. Alleluia!**

Carole, we called you to musical leadership in our congregation, to share your talents and gifts, to inspire and lead our worship, to assist us in our service of praise and thanksgiving, and to give us a glimpse of the beauty and glory of God. You led us in congregational song, provided musical opportunities for meditation and preparation for worship, and accompanied the choir in its ministry. Sharing in our joys and sorrows as a community, you have been important to us in our life together in the Church of Jesus Christ, and we are grateful to and for you.

Let us pray...O God, whom saints and angels delight to worship in heaven, we thank you for your servants who seek through music to perfect the praises offered by your people on earth, especially this day our sister Carole, for whom we give thanks as she begins her retirement. Go with her as she steps away from her ministry among us and bring her wholeness and fulfillment in retirement. Go with this congregation as well as we send her off with our well-wishes and seek new musical leadership for our parish; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*The congregation may express its gratitude for Carole with applause.*

*Please stand in body or spirit.*

## **THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

*It is our custom to light candles for those who are sick or distressed and to remember those who have died.*

*The prayer stations are on either side of the Altar. The refrain\* is sung once.*

### Lord, listen to your children praying

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like. The lyrics are written below the notes.

Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray - ing, Lord, send your Spir-it in this place;  
Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray - ing, — send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.

Drawn together in the power of the Holy Spirit, we pray with confidence for the Church, God's good creation, and all who are in need.

*Silence for reflection.*

We pray for the Church throughout the world. Form us into communities of forgiveness and grace. Help us to notice where you are calling us into new relationships, and give us courage to embrace the uncomfortable and unfamiliar. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

We pray for the earth and all its inhabitants. Protect lands at risk of wildfire and heal dying forests. Where fire brings destruction, raise up new growth. Guide us in tending precarious ecosystems. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

We pray for those who govern our nations, tribes, and cities. Open them to the cries of people in need. Direct them in shaping policies that prioritize the health and well-being of all who struggle with hunger and housing insecurity. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

We pray for all who are ill, all who are lonely or anxious, and all who grieve, especially Hilary, Madie, Iris, Tom, Larry, Kathy's son and son-in-law Joe, Eva, John, the Richards family, Todd and family; Jessica, the Mattison family, Dave, the people of Ukraine, the people of Afghanistan, the people of Israel and Gaza, and those we name aloud or in silence. *(Pause)* Draw them close to you and soothe them with the promise of your enduring love. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

We remember our beloved dead, who with the great cloud of witnesses bear witness to your saving grace; especially Roger, Dale, Elizabeth, and those we name aloud or in silence. *(Pause)* Accompany us on our pilgrimage of faith, that we too place our hope and trust in you. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

We entrust these and all our prayers to you, Holy God, in the Name of your beloved Child, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*The refrain is sung once more.*

## Lord, listen to your children praying



Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray - ing, Lord, send your Spir-it in this place;  
Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray - ing, — send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.

### THE CONFESSION OF SIN

In a moment of silence, let us reflect on our separation from God, ourselves, our neighbors, and the creation.

*Silence for reflection.*

**Almighty God, in our sin we have avoided your call. Our love for you is like a morning cloud, like the dew that goes away early. Have mercy on us; deliver us from judgment; bind up our wounds and revive us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

God +forgives you. Forgive others; forgive yourself. Through Christ, God has put away your sin. Approach your God in peace. **Amen.**

### THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be always with you.

**And also with you.**

*All share a greeting of peace.*

## *The Liturgy of the Meal*

### THE OFFERTORY

#### The Offertory Sentence

*Please sit.*

#### The Presentation of the Bread and Wine

#### The Choir Anthem

*City Called Heaven*

Josephine Poelinitz



*Please stand in body or spirit.*

**The Presentation of the Gifts (7:45)**

All things come of thee, O Lord,  
**and of thine own have we given thee.**

**The Offertory Hymn (9:30)\***

**Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow H-380**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; praise  
God above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

**The Preface and Proper Preface (7:45)**

God be with you.  
**And also with you.**  
Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to God.**  
Let us give thanks to our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

**The Preface and Proper Preface (9:30)\***

Celebrant God be with you.  
People And also with you.  
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.  
People We lift them to God.  
Celebrant Let us give thanks to our God.  
People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

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:

**The Sanctus (7:45)**

**Holy, Holy, Holy, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**The Sanctus (9:30)\***

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord**

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

*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 Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. For in these last days you sent Jesus to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In Christ, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In Christ, 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 Jesus 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 God,

**We remember Christ's death,  
We proclaim Christ's resurrection,  
We await Christ's coming in glory.**

*The Celebrant continues*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Maker 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 in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, through whom we are acceptable to you, 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, blessed Barnabas, blessed Roger, blessed Gabrielle, blessed Dale, blessed Joyce, blessed Elizabeth, and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your children; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### **The Lord's Prayer (7:45)**

*It is our custom to hold hands during The Lord's Prayer.*

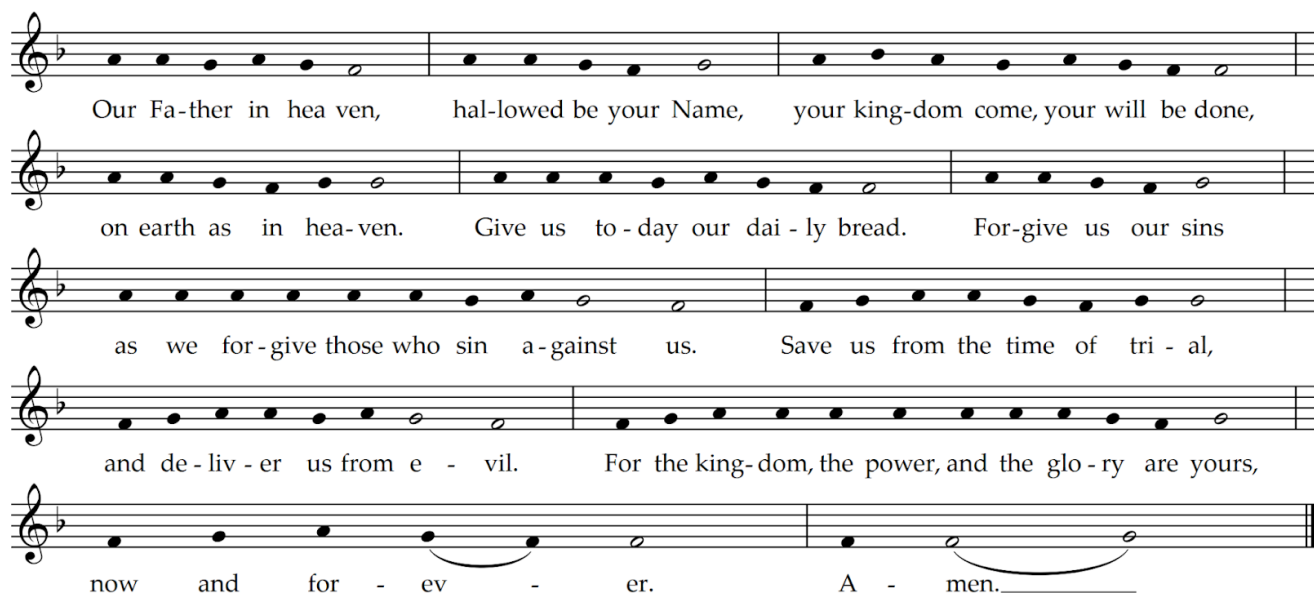
As Jesus has taught us, we pray those words that bind us together:

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your Name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial,  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and for ever. Amen.**

### **The Lord's Prayer (9:30)\***

*It is our custom to hold hands during The Lord's Prayer.*

As Jesus has taught us, we pray those words that bind us together:



The musical notation consists of five staves of music in a single system, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The notes are simple, mostly quarter and eighth notes, with some rests. The lyrics are written below the notes, aligned with the music. The first staff contains the lyrics: "Our Fa-ther in hea ven, hal-lowed be your Name, your king-dom come, your will be done,". The second staff contains: "on earth as in hea-ven. Give us to-day our dai-ly bread. For-give us our sins". The third staff contains: "as we for-give those who sin a-gainst us. Save us from the time of tri-al,". The fourth staff contains: "and de-liv-er us from e-vil. For the king-dom, the power, and the glo-ry are yours,". The fifth staff contains: "now and for-ev-er. A-men." with a long horizontal line under "men." indicating a sustained note.

## The Breaking of the Bread and Fraction Anthem (7:45)

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

## The Breaking of the Bread and Fraction Anthem (9:30)\*

### Alleluia S-155

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass-o-ver is  
sac - ri - ficed\_ for us; there - fore let us keep\_ the feast.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## The Invitation to Communion\*\*

Jesus invites you to this Table. Come, eat and live.

*Please sit. Jesus welcomed everyone to his table, and so we at St. Barnabas welcome everyone to this table. Gather around the Altar as you are directed. You may stand or kneel as is your custom. The Celebrant will place the gluten-free bread into your hand. You have two options to receive the wine. A Chalice Bearer will offer the Common Cup from which you may drink, or you may dip the bread in the wine when a second chalice comes in turn. You may also choose not to partake of the Cup. When you have received the Sacrament, please return to your seat. If you or your children prefer only to receive a blessing, please indicate this by crossing your hands over your chest.*

## The Hymn During Communion

### We Come to the Hungry Feast ELW-479

We come to the hun-gry feast hun-gry for a word of\_peace, To hun-gry hearts un -  
We come to the hun-gry feast hun-gry for a world re - leased from hun-gry folk of  
We come to the hun-gry feast hun-gry that the hun - ger\_ cease, and know-ing, though we  
sat - is - fied the love of God is not de-nied. We\_ come, we\_ come to the hun-gry feast.  
ev -'ry kind, the poor in bod - y, poor in mind. We\_ come, we\_ come to the hun-gry feast.  
eat our fill, the hun-ger will stay with us; still we\_ come, we\_ come to the hun-gry feast.

*Please stand in body or spirit.*

## THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray...Almighty and everliving God,

**we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Beloved One our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of Christ, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, O God, 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 Christ, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

## The Liturgy of Sending

### THE SENDING OUT OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS (Occasional)

N., in the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts that those to whom you go may share with us the communion of Christ's Body and Blood.

**We who are many are one Body, because we all share one Bread, one Cup.**

### THE BLESSING

Life is short, and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel the way with us. So be swift to love, make haste to be kind; and +the blessing of the One who made us, who loves us, and who walks the way with us still be with you this day and remain with you always. **Amen.**

### THE SENDING HYMN (9:30)\*

#### Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart! H-556

Re - jice ye pure in heart! Re - jice, give thanks, and sing! Your  
Yes, on through life's long path, still chant - ing as ye go, from  
Still lift your stand - ard high, still march in firm ar - ray, as  
glo - rious ban - ner wave on high, the cross of Christ your King. Re -  
youth to age, by night and day, in glad - ness and in woe.  
war - riors through the dark - ness toil, till dawns the gold - en day.  
joice, re - jice, re - jice, give thanks, and sing.

### THE DISMISSAL

Go in peace. God is at work in you. Alleluia! Alleluia!

**Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

### THE POSTLUDE

*Sortie* Cesar Auguste Franck

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