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**The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.**

Psalm 23

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Prelude Song

IN THESE DAYS OF LENTEN JOURNEY

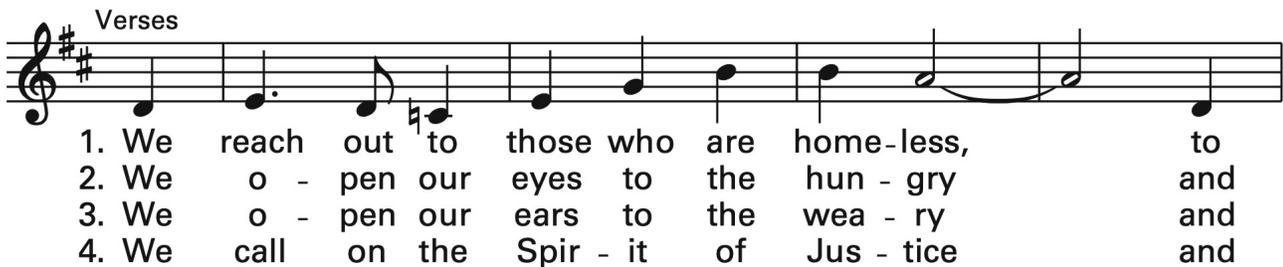
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Refrain

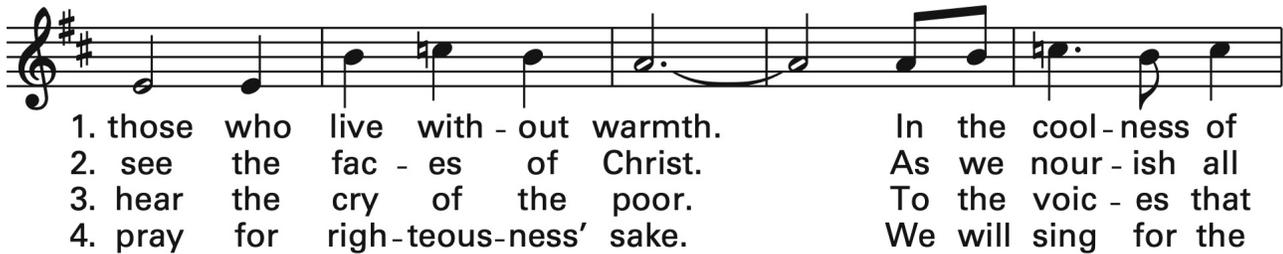


In these days of Len-ten jour-ney we have seen and we have heard
the call to sow jus-tice in the lives of those we serve.

Verses



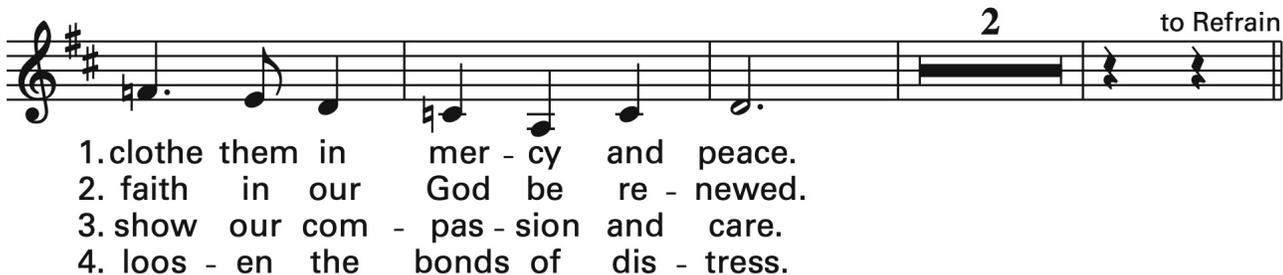
1. We reach out to those who are home-less, to
2. We o - pen our eyes to the hun - gry and
3. We o - pen our ears to the wea - ry and
4. We call on the Spir - it of Jus - tice and



1. those who live with - out warmth. In the cool-ness of
2. see the fac - es of Christ. As we nour - ish all
3. hear the cry of the poor. To the voic - es that
4. pray for righ-teous-ness' sake. We will sing for the



1. eve - ning we'll shel - ter their dreams; we will
2. peo - ple who hun - ger for food, may their
3. ech - o the song of de - spair, we will
4. free - dom of all the op - pressed; we will



2 to Refrain

1. clothe them in mer - cy and peace.
2. faith in our God be re - newed.
3. show our com - pas - sion and care.
4. loos - en the bonds of dis - tress.

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THE INTRODUCTORY RITES (GATHERING)

Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Isaiah 66:10-11

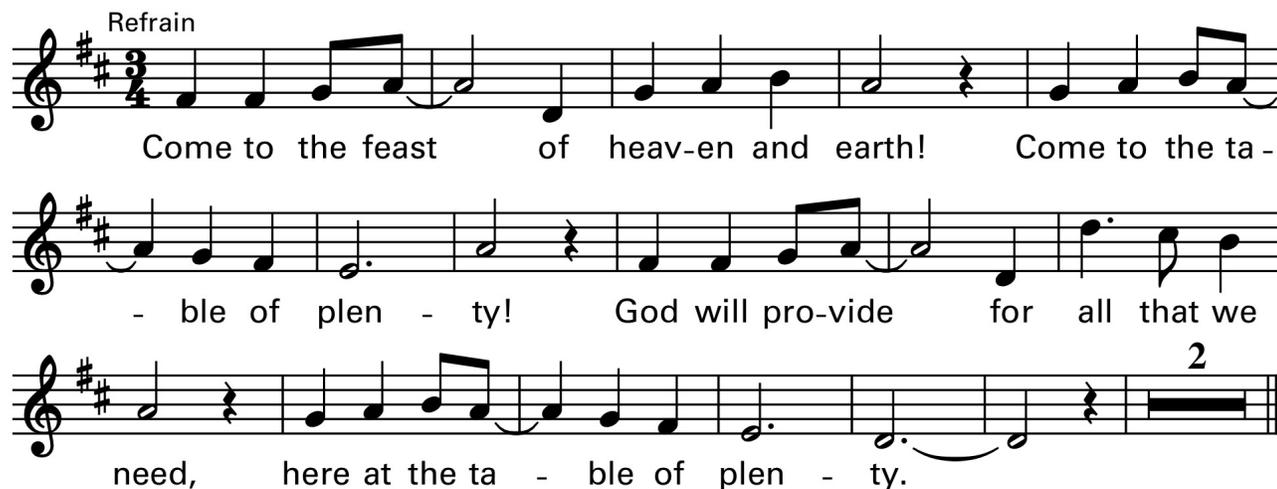
Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her. Be joyful, all who were in mourning; exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast.

Entrance Hymn (verse 1) (Please stand.)

TABLE OF PLENTY

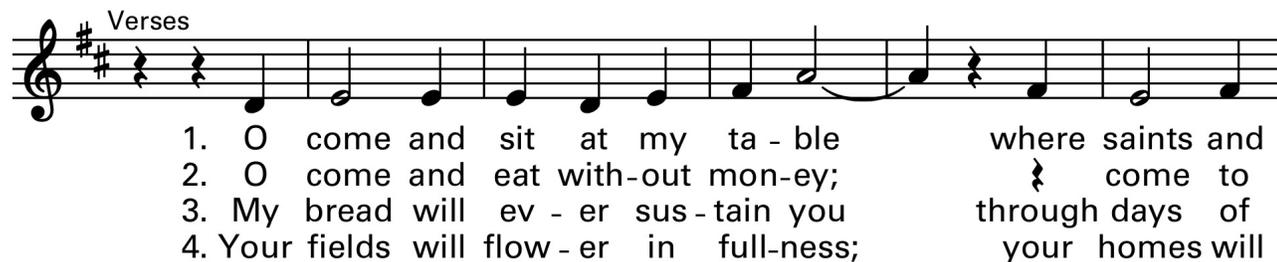
Dan Schutte

Refrain



Come to the feast of heav-en and earth! Come to the ta-
- ble of plen - ty! God will pro-vide for all that we
need, here at the ta - ble of plen - ty.

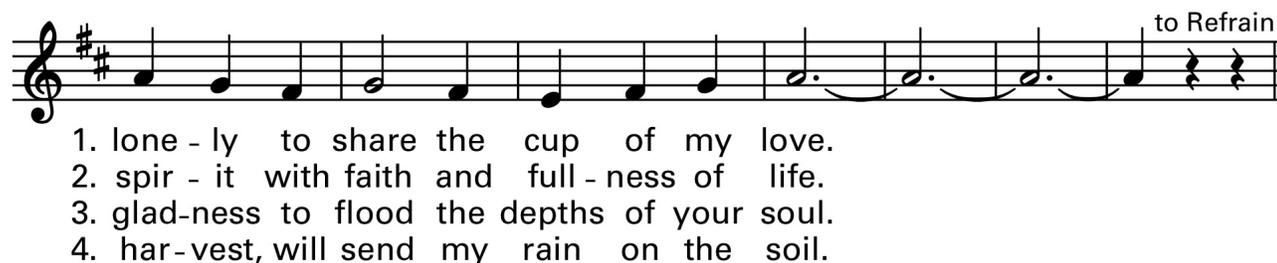
Verses



1. O come and sit at my ta - ble where saints and
2. O come and eat with-out mon-ey; & come to
3. My bread will ev - er sus - tain you through days of
4. Your fields will flow - er in full-ness; your homes will



1. sin - ners are friends. I wait to wel-come the lost and
2. drink with - out price. My feast of glad-ness will feed your
3. sor - row and woe. My wine will flow like a sea of
4. flour - ish in peace. For I, the giv - er of home and



to Refrain
1. lone - ly to share the cup of my love.
2. spir - it with faith and full - ness of life.
3. glad-ness to flood the depths of your soul.
4. har-vest, will send my rain on the soil.

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Greeting

Priest: *In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.*

(All make the Sign of the Cross.) **Amen.**

Priest: *The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ...be with you all. **And with your spirit.***

Penitential Act

I confess to almighty God
and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done,
and in what I have failed to do;
(Strike breast) through my fault, through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Priest/Deacon: *May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life. Amen.*

Chant:

LORD, HAVE MERCY

The musical notation is presented on two staves. The first staff contains three measures: the first measure is for the Priest/Deacon/Other Minister, the second for All respond, and the third for the Priest/Deacon/Other Minister. The second staff contains three measures: the first for All respond, the second for the Priest/Deacon/Other Minister, and the third for All respond. The lyrics are written below the notes.

Priest/Deacon/Other Minister All respond Priest/Deacon/Other Minister

Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.

All respond Priest/Deacon/Other Minister All respond

Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

Or recited:

Priest/Deacon: *Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy.*

Priest/Deacon: *Christ have mercy. Christ have mercy.*

Priest/Deacon: *Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy.*

Collect

(After the Priest says the Collect, all respond.) **Amen.** (Please be seated.)

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a

A reading from the first Book of Samuel

The LORD said to Samuel:

“Fill your horn with oil, and be on your way.
I am sending you to Jesse of Bethlehem,
for I have chosen my king from among his sons.”

As Jesse and his sons came to the sacrifice,
Samuel looked at Eliab and thought,
“Surely the LORD’s anointed is here before him.”

But the LORD said to Samuel:

“Do not judge from his appearance or from his lofty stature,
because I have rejected him.

Not as man sees does God see,
because man sees the appearance
but the LORD looks into the heart.”

In the same way Jesse presented seven sons before Samuel,
but Samuel said to Jesse,

“The LORD has not chosen any one of these.”

Then Samuel asked Jesse,

“Are these all the sons you have?”

Jesse replied,

“There is still the youngest, who is tending the sheep.”

Samuel said to Jesse,

“Send for him;

we will not begin the sacrificial banquet until he arrives here.”

Jesse sent and had the young man brought to them.

He was ruddy, a youth handsome to behold
and making a splendid appearance.

The LORD said,

“There— anoint him, for this is the one!”

Then Samuel, with the horn of oil in hand,
anointed David in the presence of his brothers;

and from that day on, the spirit of the LORD rushed upon David.

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

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 23: 1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6. R. v.1



R. The Lord is my shep-herd; there is noth-ing I shall want.

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The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

In verdant pastures he gives me repose;
beside restful waters he leads me;
he refreshes my soul.

R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

He guides me in right paths
for his name's sake.

Even though I walk in the dark valley

I fear no evil; for you are at my side
With your rod and your staff
that give me courage.

R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

You spread the table before me
in the sight of my foes;
you anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows.

R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Only goodness and kindness follow me
all the days of my life;
and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD
for years to come.

R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Second Reading

Ephesians 5:8-14

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Ephesians

Brothers and sisters:

You were once darkness,

but now you are light in the Lord.

Live as children of light,

for light produces every kind of goodness

and righteousness and truth.

Try to learn what is pleasing to the Lord.

Take no part in the fruitless works of darkness;

rather expose them, for it is shameful even to mention

the things done by them in secret;

but everything exposed by the light becomes visible,

for everything that becomes visible is light.

Therefore, it says:

“Awake, O sleeper,

and arise from the dead,

and Christ will give you light.”

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation and Verse

John 8:12

(Please stand.)



R. Praise to you, Lord Je - sus Christ, King of end - less glo - ry!

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I am the light of the world, says the Lord;

whoever follows me will have the light of life.

The Lord be with you. And with your spirit.

The reading from the holy Gospel according to John. Glory to you, O Lord.

As Jesus passed by he saw a man blind from birth.
He spat on the ground and made clay with the saliva,
and smeared the clay on his eyes,
and said to him,
“Go wash in the Pool of Siloam” — which means Sent —.
So he went and washed, and came back able to see.
His neighbors and those who had seen him earlier as a beggar said,
“Isn’t this the one who used to sit and beg?”
Some said, “It is, “
but others said, “No, he just looks like him.”
He said, “I am.”

They brought the one who was once blind to the Pharisees.
Now Jesus had made clay and opened his eyes on a sabbath.
So then the Pharisees also asked him how he was able to see.
He said to them,
“He put clay on my eyes, and I washed, and now I can see.”
So some of the Pharisees said,
“This man is not from God,
because he does not keep the sabbath.”
But others said,
“How can a sinful man do such signs?”
And there was a division among them.
So they said to the blind man again,
“What do you have to say about him,
since he opened your eyes?”
He said, “He is a prophet.”

They answered and said to him,
“You were born totally in sin,
and are you trying to teach us?”
Then they threw him out.

When Jesus heard that they had thrown him out,
he found him and said, “Do you believe in the Son of Man?”
He answered and said,
“Who is he, sir, that I may believe in him?”
Jesus said to him,
“You have seen him, and
the one speaking with you is he.”
He said, “I do believe, Lord,” and he worshiped him.

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily (Please be seated.)

Profession of Faith (Nicene Creed) (Please stand.)

**I believe in one God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.**

**I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.**

**God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

(At the words that follow, up to and including "and became man," all bow.)

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day
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.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.

**I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Universal Prayer (Prayers of the Faithful) (Please stand.)

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Hymn for Presentation of the Gifts and Preparation of the Altar (verses 1-3)

(Please be seated.)

AMAZING GRACE

NEW BRITAIN



1. A - maz - ing grace! How sweet the sound That saved *a
2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, And grace my
3. The Lord has prom - ised good to me, His word my
4. Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares, I have al -
5. When we've been there ten thou - sand years, Bright shin - ing



1. wretch like me! I once was lost, but
2. fears re - lieved; How pre - cious did that
3. hope se - cures; He will my shield and
4. read - y come; 'Tis grace has brought me
5. as the sun, We've no less days to



1. now am found, Was blind but now I see.
2. grace ap - pear The hour I first be - lieved!
3. por - tion be As long as life en - dures.
4. safe thus far, And grace will lead me home.
5. sing God's praise Than when we'd first be - gun.

*Alternate text: "and set me free!"

Text: CM; verses 1-4, John Newton, 1725-1807; verse 5, anon., fr. *A Collection of Sacred Ballads*, 1790.
Music: *Columbian Harmony*, 1829.

Presentation of the Gifts and Preparation of the Altar

Priest: ...that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father,"

(Please stand.) **May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands, for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.**

Prayer over the Offerings

Amen

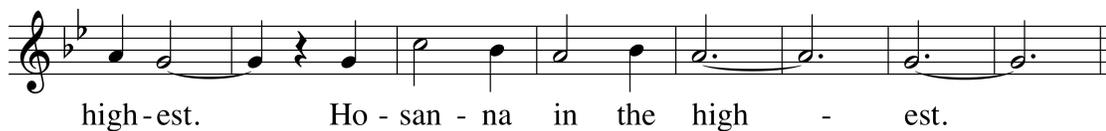
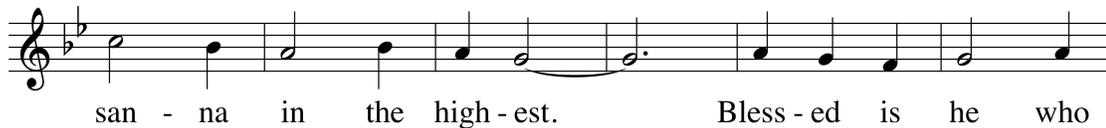
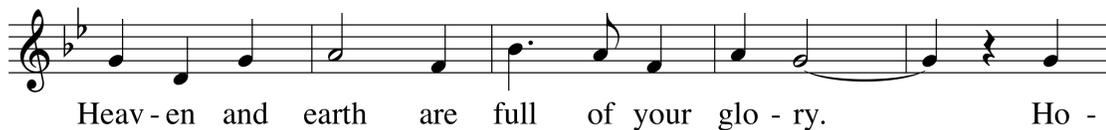
Preface

Priest: *The Lord be with you.* **And with your spirit.**

Priest: *Lift up your hearts.* **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Priest: *Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.* **It is right and just.**

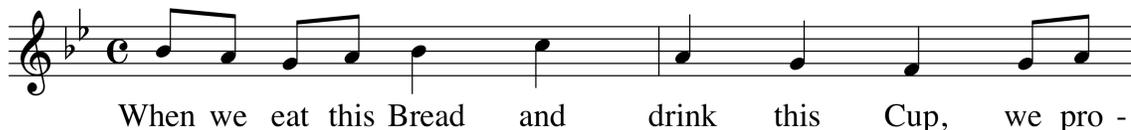
Holy



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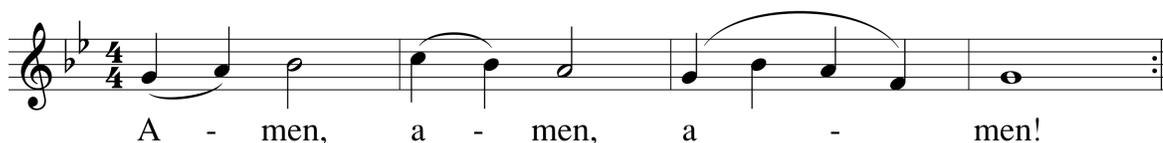
(Please kneel.)

Mystery of Faith



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Amen



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(Please stand.)

Our Father

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.

Priest: *Deliver us, Lord ... the coming of our Savior Jesus Christ.*

For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and forever.

Priest: *Lord Jesus Christ ... Who live and reign for ever and ever. Amen*

Priest: *The peace of the Lord be with you always. And with your spirit.*

Sign of Peace

Lamb of God

AGNUS DEI XVIII



A-gnus De - i, qui tol - lis pec - cá - ta mun - di: mi - se -
ré - re no - bis. A-gnus De - i, qui tol - lis pec - cá - ta
mun - di: mi - se - ré - re no - bis. A - gnus De - i,
qui tol - lis pec - cá - ta mun - di: do - na no - bis pa - cem.

Text and music: Chant; *Graduale Romanum*, 1974.

(Please kneel.)

Communion

Priest: *Behold the Lamb of God ... Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.*

Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

Act of Spiritual Communion

I wish my Lord to receive You with the purity, humility, and devotion with which Your most Holy Mother received You, with the spirit and fervor of the Saints. Amen.

Communion Antiphon

Cf. John 9:11,38

The Lord anointed my eyes: I went, I washed, I saw and I believed in God.

Communion Hymn

Psalm 23: Shepherd Me, O God

Refrain

Shep - herd me, O God, be - yond my wants, be -
yond my fears, from death in - to life.

Verses

1. God is my shepherd, so nothing shall I want,
I rest in the meadows of faithfulness and love,
I walk by the quiet waters of peace.
2. Gently you raise me and heal my weary soul,
you lead me by pathways of righteousness and truth,
my spirit shall sing the music of your name.
3. Though I should wander the valley of death,
I fear no evil, for you are at my side, your rod and your staff,
my comfort and my hope.
4. You have set me a banquet of love in the face of hatred,
crowning me with love beyond my pow'r to hold.
5. Surely your kindness and mercy follow me all the days of my life;
I will dwell in the house of my God for evermore.

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Prayer after Communion

THE CONCLUDING RITES

Greeting and Blessing

(Please stand.)

Priest: *The Lord be with you. And with your spirit.*

Priest: *May almighty God bless you, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen*

Dismissal

Deacon/Priest: *Go in peace. Thanks be to God.*

SAVE YOUR PEOPLE

Jim Farrell

Refrain



Save your peo-ple, O Lord. Show us the way to come



home. We have been wan-der-ing far from your love. Save your

Verses



peo-ple, O Lord.

1. One thing I ask, O
2. For you will hide me in the
3. Lis - ten, O Lord, to the
4. Thus will I bless you all the



1. Lord, this I seek: to dwell for - ev - er in your
2. shel - ter of your wings and from the ar - rows of my
3. sound of my call, for I ac - knowl - edge my of -
4. days of my life. Lift - ing my hands, I call your



1. house, that I may gaze on your love - li - ness
2. foes. You set me high on a moun - tain - top,
3. fense. Wash me and I shall be pur - i - fied.
4. name: "O Lord, re - mem - ber your in - her - i - tance.

to Refrain



1. all the days of my life.
2. saved me from my dis - tress.
3. I shall be whit - er than snow.
4. Save your peo - ple, O Lord!"