

ST. PETERS – WORSHIP SCRIPT
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PRELUDE “Praise the Triune God” Edward Broughton

WELCOME AND GREETING

OPENING HYMN “Jesus, Lead Thou On” #718 LSB

Jesus, lead Thou on Till our rest is won;
And although the way be cheerless,
We will follow calm and fearless.
Guide us by Thy hand To our fatherland.

If the way be drear, If the foe be near,
Let not faithless fears o’ertake us;
Let not faith and hope forsake us;
For through many a woe To our home we go.

When we seek relief From a long-felt grief,
When temptations come alluring,
Make us patient and enduring.
Show us that bright shore Where we weep no more.

Jesus, lead Thou on Till our rest is won.
Heav’nly leader, still direct us,
Still support, console, protect us,
Till we safely stand In our fatherland.

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+ CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION+

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Congregation: Amen.

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C: Who made heaven and earth.

P: If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
C: But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

P: Since we are gathered to hear God’s Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let

us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying:

C: “God, be merciful to me, a sinner.”

C: Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority as if the Lord Jesus were standing before you and speaking these words, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

PSALM (34:12-22) OF THE DAY (*Fear the Lord*)

P: Whoever of you loves life and desires to see many good days, keep your tongue from evil and your lips from telling lies.

C: Turn from evil and do good; seek peace and pursue it.

P: The eyes of the LORD are on the righteous, and his ears are attentive to their cry;

C: But the face of the LORD is against those who do evil, to blot out their name from the earth.

P: The righteous cry out, and the LORD hears them; he delivers them from all their troubles.

C: The LORD is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit.

P: The righteous person may have many troubles, but the LORD delivers him from them all;

C: He protects all his bones, not one of them will be broken.

P: Evil will slay the wicked; the foes of the righteous will be condemned.

C: The LORD will rescue his servants; no one who takes refuge in him will be condemned.

ALL: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

KYRIE (*Sing*) (*Lord, Have Mercy*)

**Lord, have mercy;
Christ, have mercy;
Lord, have mercy.**

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS *(Sing) (Glory to God in the Highest)*

To God on high be glory And peace to all the earth;
Goodwill from God in heaven Proclaimed at Jesus' birth!
We praise and bless You, Father; Your holy name, we sing-
Our thanks for Your great glory, Lord God, our heav'nly King.

To You, O sole-begotten, The Father's Son, we pray;
O Lamb of God, our Savior, You take our sins away.
Have mercy on us, Jesus; Receive our heart-felt cry,
Where You in pow'r are seated At God's right hand on high-

For You alone are holy; You only are the Lord.
Forever and forever, Be worshiped and adored;
You with the Holy Spirit Alone are Lord Most High,
In God the Father's glory. "A-men" our glad reply.

SALUTATION and COLLECT OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray.

C: Almighty God, whom to know is everlasting life, grant us to know Your Son, Jesus, to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow His steps in the way that leads to life eternal; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen. (Please be seated)

OLD TESTAMENT Proverbs 9:1-10 *(Invitation to eat of wisdom and not folly)*

1 Wisdom has built her house; she has set up its seven pillars. 2 She has prepared her meat and mixed her wine; she has also set her table. 3 She has sent out her servants, and she calls from the highest point of the city, 4 "Let all who are simple come to my house!" To those who have no sense she says, 5 "Come, eat my food and drink the wine I have mixed. 6 Leave your simple ways and you will live; walk in the way of insight." 7 Whoever corrects a mocker invites insults; whoever rebukes the wicked incurs abuse. 8 Do not rebuke mockers or they will hate you; rebuke the wise and they will love you. 9 Instruct the wise and they will be wiser still; teach the righteous and they will add to their learning. 10 The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom, and knowledge of the Holy One is understanding.

R: This is the Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE Ephesians 5:1-20 *(Be imitators of God)*

1 Follow God's example, therefore, as dearly loved children **2** and walk in the way of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

3 But among you there must not be even a hint of sexual immorality, or of any kind of impurity, or lust, because these are improper for God's holy people. **4** Nor should there be obscenity, foolish talk or coarse joking, which are out of place, but rather thanksgiving. **5** For of this you can be sure: No immoral, impure or greedy person—such a person is an idolater—has any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and of God. **6** Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of such things God's wrath comes on those who are disobedient. **7** Therefore do not be partners with them.

8 For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of light **9** (for the fruit of the light consists in all goodness, righteousness and truth) **10** and find out what pleases the Lord. **11** Have nothing to do with the fruitless deeds of darkness, but rather expose them. **12** It is shameful even to mention what the disobedient do in secret. **13** But everything exposed by the light becomes visible—and everything that is illuminated becomes a light. **14** This is why it is said: "Wake up, sleeper, rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you."

15 Be very careful, then, how you live—not as unwise but as wise, **16** making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil. **17** Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the Lord's will is. **18** Do not get drunk on wine, which leads to debauchery. Instead, be filled with the Spirit, **19** speaking to one another with psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit. Sing and make music from your heart to the Lord, **20** always giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

R: This is the Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

ALLELUIA and VERSE *(Stand and Sing)*

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

**These things are written that you may believe
That Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.**

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL John 6:51-69 *(Words perceived by faith alone.)*

R: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 6th chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

51 I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats this bread will live forever. This bread is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world." **52** Then the Jews began to argue sharply among themselves, "How can this man give us his flesh to

eat?" **53** Jesus said to them, "Very truly I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. **54** Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise them up at the last day. **55** For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink. **56** Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me, and I in them. **57** Just as the living Father sent me and I live because of the Father, so the one who feeds on me will live because of me. **58** This is the bread that came down from heaven. Your ancestors ate manna and died, but whoever feeds on this bread will live forever." **59** He said this while teaching in the synagogue in Capernaum.

60 On hearing it, many of his disciples said, "This is a hard teaching. Who can accept it?" **61** Aware that his disciples were grumbling about this, Jesus said to them, "Does this offend you? **62** Then what if you see the Son of Man ascend to where he was before! **63** The Spirit gives life; the flesh counts for nothing. The words I have spoken to you—they are full of the Spirit and life. **64** Yet there are some of you who do not believe." For Jesus had known from the beginning which of them did not believe and who would betray him. **65** He went on to say, "This is why I told you that no one can come to me unless the Father has enabled them." **66** From this time many of his disciples turned back and no longer followed him. **67** "You do not want to leave too, do you?" Jesus asked the Twelve. **68** Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. **69** We have come to believe and to know that you are the Holy One of God."

R: This is the Gospel of the Lord **C: Praise to You, O Christ.**

NICENE CREED

**I believe in one God, the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth
And of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
The only-begotten Son of God,
Begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
Very God of very God,
Begotten, not made,
Being of one substance with the Father;
By whom all things were made;**

**Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
And was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
And was made man;
And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate,
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures**

And ascended into heaven

**And sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,
Whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
The Lord and giver of life,
Who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
Who spoke by the prophets.**

**And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
And I look for the resurrection of the dead
And the life of the world to come. Amen. *(Please be seated)***

HYMN OF THE DAY “Let us Ever Walk with Jesus” #685 LSB (tune)

**Let us ever walk with Jesus, Follow His example pure,
Flee the world, which would deceive us And to sin our souls allure.
Ever in His footsteps treading, Body here, yet soul above,
Full of faith and hope and love, Let us do the Father’s bidding,
Faithful Lord, abide with me; Savior, lead, I follow thee.**

**Let us suffer here with Jesus, To His image e’er conform;
Heaven’s glory soon will please us, Sunshine follow on the storm.
Tho’ we sow in tears of sorrow, We shall reap in heav’nly joy;
And the fears that now annoy Shall be laughter on the morrow,
Christ, I suffer here with Thee; There, oh, share Thy joy with me!**

**Let us gladly live with Jesus; Since He’s risen from the dead,
Death and grave must soon release us. Jesus, Thou art now our Head,
We are truly Thine own members; Where Thou livest, there live we.
Take and own us constantly, Faithful Friend, as Thy dear brethren.
Jesus, here I live to thee, also there eternally. Amen.**

SERMON “We Are Dearly Loved Children of God!” Ephesians 5:1-20
(Sermon outline on the back of today’s bulletin)

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH and LORD’S PRAYER

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING *(As joyful givers, we clap for the offering)*

OFFERING MUSIC “Little Offertory in D” Edward Broughton

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT (*Page 208ff LSB*)

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

P: It is truly good, right, and salutary.....

SANCTUS (*Sing*)

**Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored;
Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name.
Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord'
Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!**

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

PAX DOMINI AND AGNUS DEI (*Sing*)

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: **Amen.**

**O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away,
O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.**

**O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away;
Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ, And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.**

RECEPTION OF LORD'S BODY AND BLOOD

COMMUNION HYMN “I Come, O Savior, To Thy Table” #618 LSB

**I come, O Savior, to Thy table. For weak and weary is my soul:
Thou, Bread of Life, alone art able To satisfy and make me whole:
Lord, may Thy body and Thy blood Be for my soul the highest good!**

Unworthy though I am, O Savior, Because I have a sinful heart.

**Yet Thou Thy lamb wilt banish never, For Thou my faithful shepherd art:
Lord, may Thy body and Thy blood Be for my soul the highest good!**

**What higher gift can we inherit? It is faith's bond and solid base;
It is the strength of heart and spirit, The covenant of hope and grace.
Lord, may Thy body and Thy blood Be for my soul the highest good!**

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COMMUNION HYMN "Chief of Sinners Though I Be" #611 LSB

**Chief of sinners though I be, Jesus shed His blood for me,
Died that I might live on high, Lives that I might never die.
As the branch is to the vine, I am His, and He is mine.**

**Oh, the heigh of Jesus' love. Higher than the heav'ns above.
Deeper than the depths of sea, Lasting as eternity!
Love that found me-wondrous thought! Found me when I sought Him not.**

**Only Jesus can impart Balm to heal the wounded heart,
Peace that flows from sin forgiv'n, Joy that lifts the soul to heav'n,
Faith and hope to walk with God In the way that Enoch trod.**

**Chief of sinners though I be, Christ is all in all to me;
All my wants to Him are known, all my sorrows are His own.
He sustains the hidden life Safe with Him from earthly strife.**

**O my Savior, help afford By Your Spirit and Your Word!
When my wayward heart would stray keep me in the narrow way;
Grace in time of need supply While I live and when I die. A-men.**

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NUNC DIMITTIS (Sing) (Page 211 LSB)

**O Lord, now let Your servant Depart in heav'nly peace,
For I have seen the glory Of Your redeeming grace;
A light to lead the Gentiles Unto Your holy hill,
The glory of Your people, Your chosen Israel.**

**All glory to the Father, All glory to the Son,
All glory to the Spirit, Forever Three in One;
For as in the beginning, Is now, shall ever be,
God's triune name resounding Through all eternity.**

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN "Take My Life and Let It Be" # 783 LSB

**Take my life and let it be Consecrated, Lord, to Thee;
Take my moments and my days, Let them flow in ceaseless praise.**

**Take my hands and let them move At the impulse of Thy love;
Take my feet and let them be Swift and beautiful for Thee.**

**Take my voice and let me sing Always, only for my King;
Take my lips and let them be Filled with messages from Thee.**

**Take my silver and my gold, Not a mite would I with-hold;
Take my intellect and use Ev'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose.**

**Take my will and make it Thine, It shall be no longer mine;
Take my heart, it is Thine own It shall be Thy royal throne.**

**Take my love, my Lord, I pour At Thy feet its treasure store;
Take myself, and I will be Ever, only, all for Thee. A-men.**

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POSTLUDE "Melody" F. Mendelssohn Op. 25

HAVE A JOYFUL LORD'S DAY OF SERVICE AND PRAISE!