St. Paul's Episcopal Church
Canton, Ohio

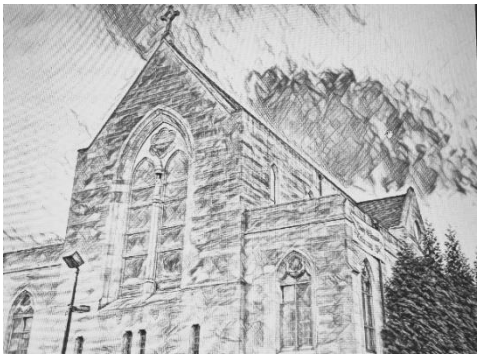
Sunday, January 14, 2024

Second Sunday After the Epiphany

Holy Eucharist Rite II

Welcome to St. Paul's

Online and in-person services begin with music at 10:25 a.m.



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Our mission

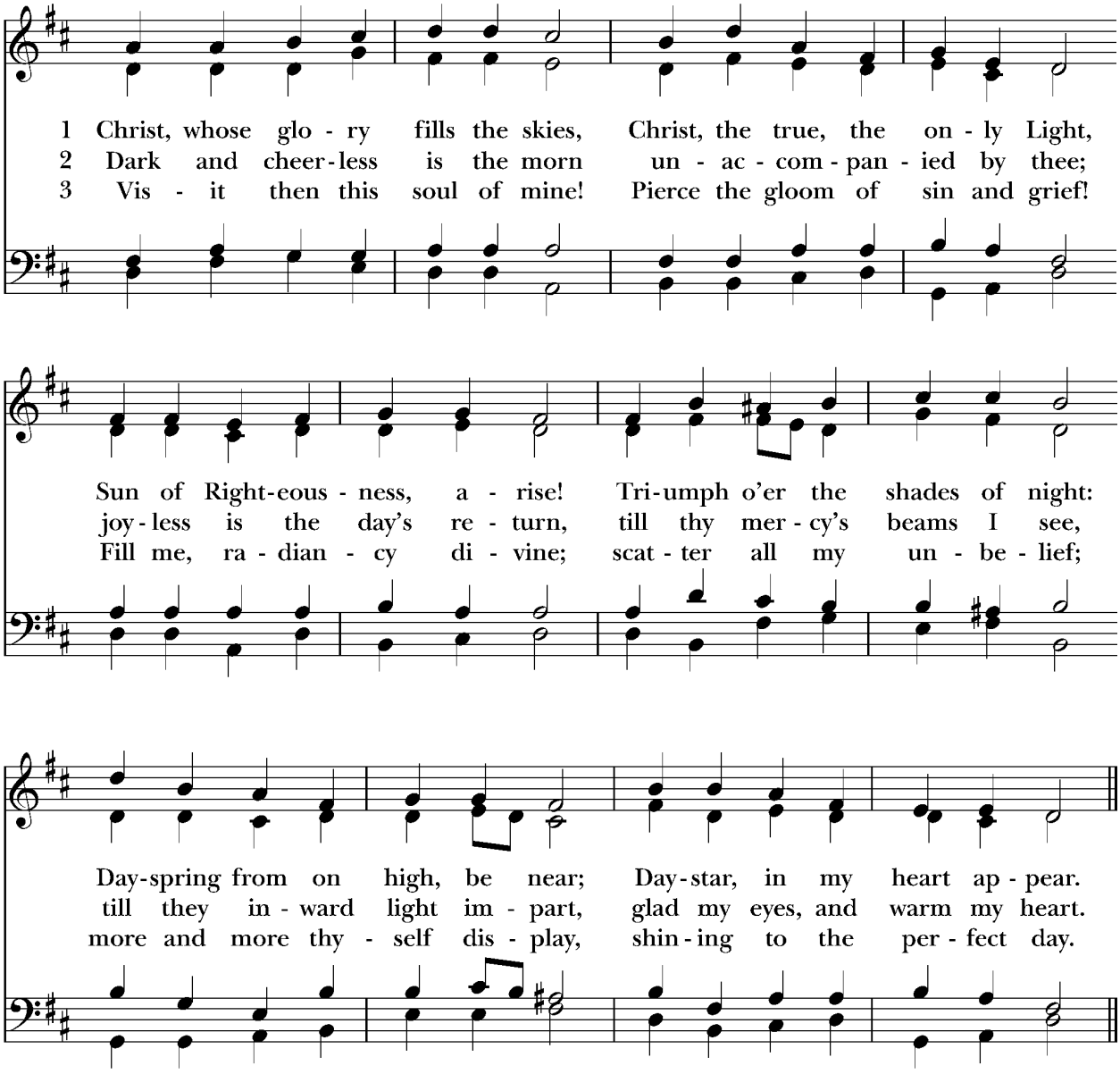
St. Paul's is an exceptionally welcoming Episcopal community in downtown Canton, grounded in faith, and called by God's Love to minister to the world.

The Second Sunday after the Epiphany
Holy Eucharist Rite II

Readings and Psalm
First Lesson: 1 Samuel 3:1-10
Psalm: Psalm 139:1-5, 12-17
Second Lesson: 1 Corinthians 6:12-20
Gospel: John 1:43-51

Prelude: *Improvisation on Ratisbon* by Colin Hand

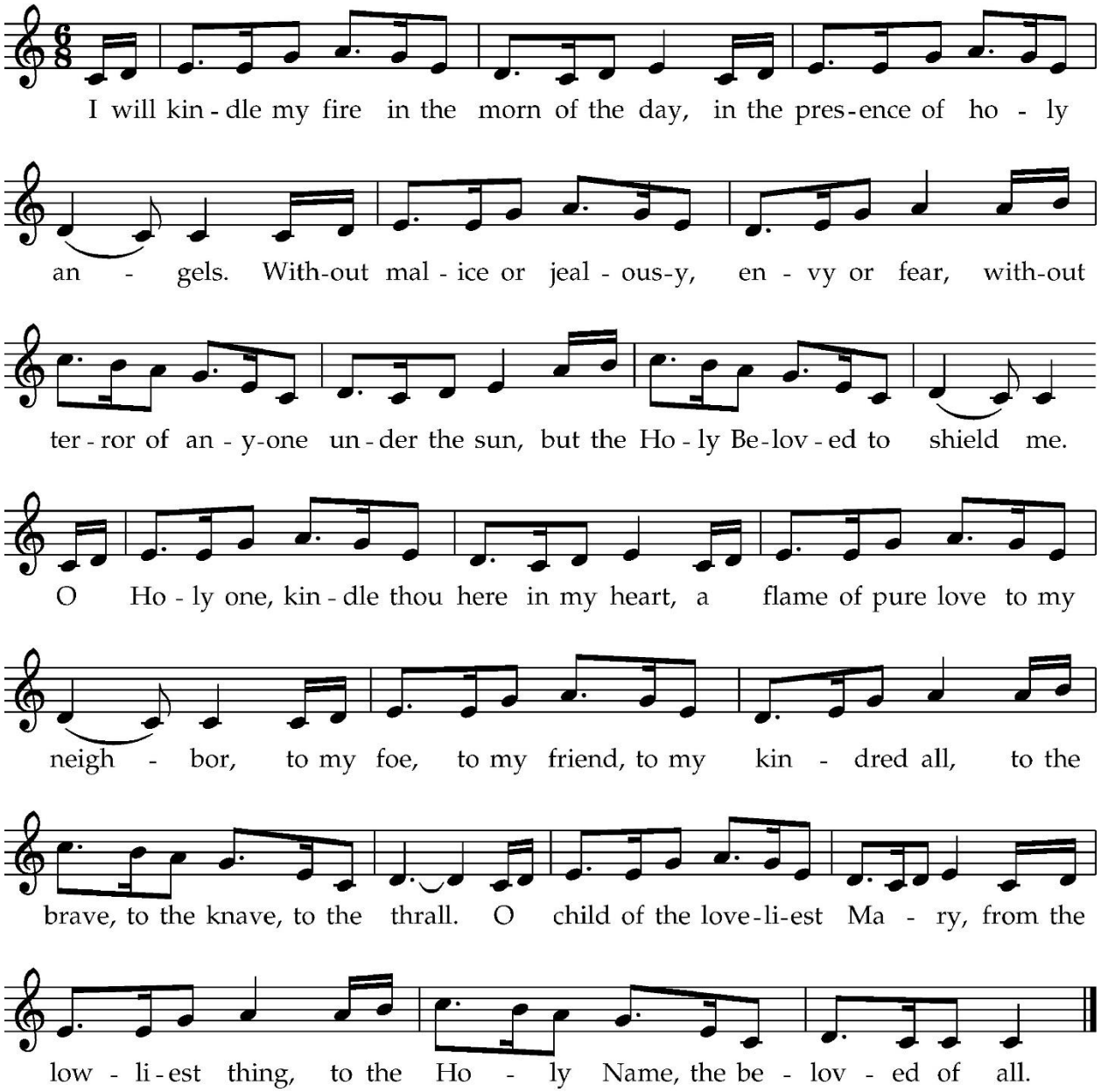
The Word of God

ENTRANCE HYMN: ***"Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies" (Ratisbon) (H 7)***

OPENING ACCLAMATION (BCP p. 355)

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

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

COLLECT FOR PURITY (BCP p. 355)
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.***

SONG OF PRAISE: ***"I Will Kindle My Fire" (VF 27)***

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY (BCP p. 357)

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshiped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

The Lessons

FIRST READING: 1 Samuel 3:1-10

The people sit.

A Reading from the First book of Samuel.

[1]Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. The word of the LORD was
rare in those days; visions were not widespread.
[2]At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was
lying down in his room; [3]the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying
down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was. [4]Then the LORD called,
"Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" [5]and ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for
you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down.
[6]The LORD called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am,
for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." [7]Now Samuel
did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him.
[8]The LORD called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said,
"Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the boy.
[9]Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak,
LORD, for your servant is listening.' " So Samuel went and lay down in his place.
[10]Now the LORD came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And
Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 139:1-5, 12-17

Remain seated.

[1]LORD, you have searched me out and known me; *
you know my sitting down and my rising up;
you discern my thoughts from afar.
[2]You trace my journeys and my resting-places *
and are acquainted with all my ways.
[3]Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, *
but you, O LORD, know it altogether.
[4]You press upon me behind and before *
and lay your hand upon me.
[5]Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; *
it is so high that I cannot attain to it.

[12]For you yourself created my inmost parts; *
you knit me together in my mother's womb.
[13]I will thank you because I am marvelously made; *
your works are wonderful, and I know it well.
[14]My body was not hidden from you, *
while I was being made in secret
and woven in the depths of the earth.
[15]Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb;
all of them were written in your book; *
they were fashioned day by day,
when as yet there was none of them.
[16]How deep I find your thoughts, O God! *
how great is the sum of them!
[17]If I were to count them, they would be more in number than the sand; *
to count them all, my life span would need to be like yours.

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 6:12-20

Remain seated.

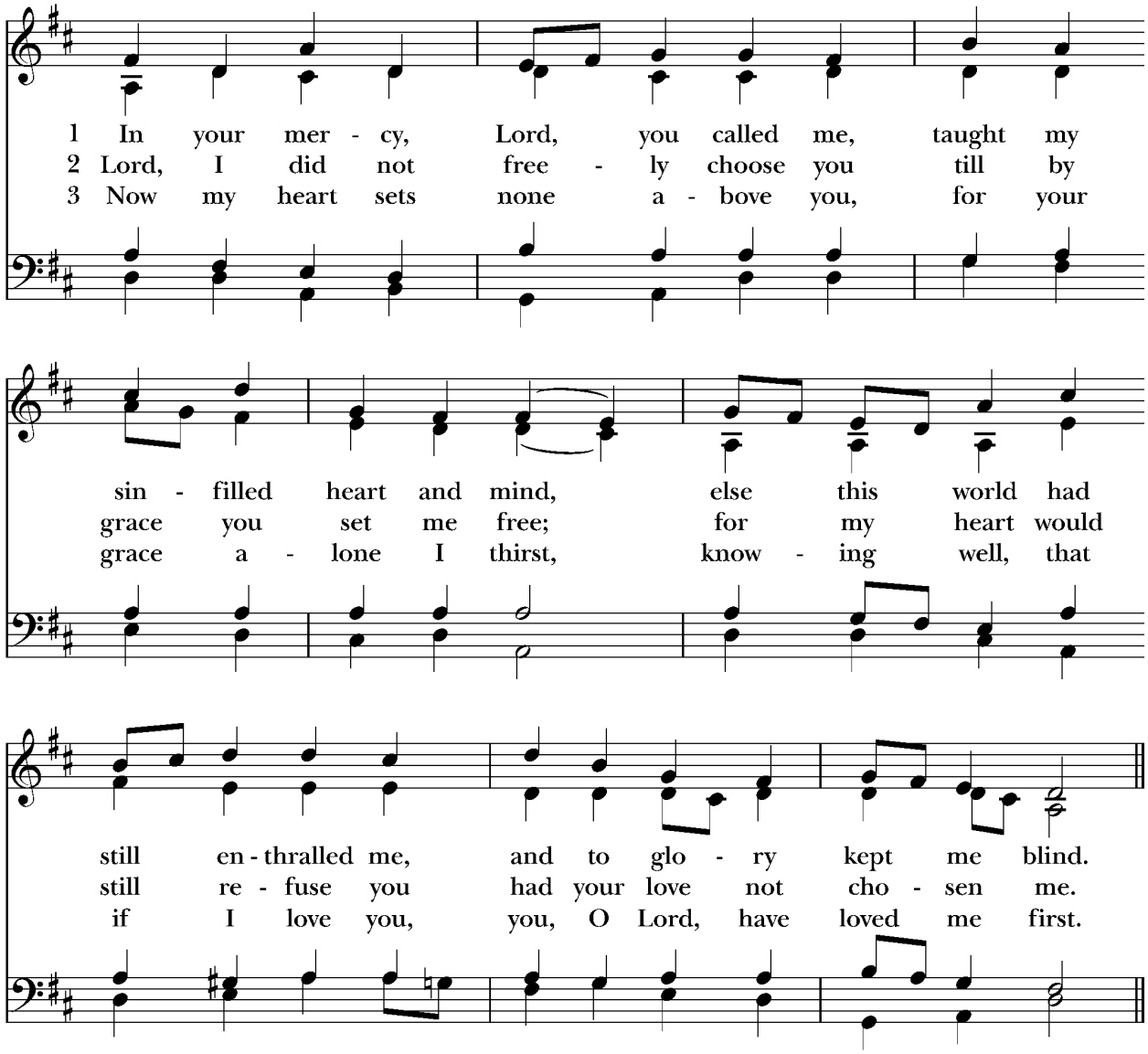
A Reading from Paul's First letter to the Church in Corinth.

[12]"All things are lawful for me," but not all things are beneficial. "All things are lawful for me," but I will not be dominated by anything. [13]"Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food," and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is meant not for fornication but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. [14]And God raised the Lord and will also raise us by his power. [15]Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Should I therefore take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never!

16 Do you not know that whoever is united to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For
it is said, "The two shall be one flesh." 17 But anyone united to the Lord becomes one
spirit with him. 18 Shun fornication! Every sin that a person commits is outside the body;
but the fornicator sins against the body itself. 19 Or do you not know that your body is a
temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God, and that you are not
your own? 20 For you were bought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE HYMN: ***"In Your Mercy, Lord, You Called Me" (H 706)***
All stand.



GOSPEL: John 1:43-51
All stand.

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

43 Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." 44 Now
Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. 45 Philip found Nathanael and
said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets
wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." 46 Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good
come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." 47 When Jesus saw Nathanael
coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no
deceit!" 48 Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I
saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." 49 Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are
the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" 50 Jesus answered, "Do you believe because
I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." 51 And
he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God
ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON: *Rev. Dr. Robin Woodberry*

Celebrant: Let us affirm our faith with the words of the Nicene Creed

THE CREED
All stand.

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 FOR EPIPHANY

SCLM sub-committee on Racial Justice & Reconciliation

Leader: "Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you." Isaiah 60:1

You who, by the leading of a star, guided the Magi to the brightness of the Holy Child of Bethlehem, leads us to the light of revelation, so that we may value and honor the varied gifts of our sisters and brothers.

Christ, be our light
Shine in our heart.

You who framed the brightness of the first light in creation, dispel the arrogance, animosity, and anger that shatter the unity of your holy Church. Fill your faithful people with the radiant light of truth.

Christ, be our light
Shine in our heart.

You who delivered your people from the misery of bondage in slavery to the land of promise, set us free from enslavement to division, disunity, and distrust in our public life and labor. Illumine those in authority with the light of vision.

Christ, be our light
Shine in our heart.

You who patterned the stars and called the sun into being, who appointed the moon and chartered the cosmos, pattern the hearts of people everywhere to see in each other the beauty of the universe and the splendor of creation, that divisions of Race, Class, Gender, and Ethnicity may be recreated into one common humanity.

Christ, be our light
Shine in our heart.

You who shower comfort and hope to the lowest, the lost, and the least, shower the light of compassion on the sick, the sorrowful, and the suffering, especially June Geary, Margaret Fox, Laurie Rohr, Brian Berstler, Alisha Rittenour, Stacy, John Titmas, Jackson, Flo Myers, Ed Sutek, Kamau, Lee Arnold, and Jolonda. Help us to be your compassion and hope in the world.

Christ, be our light
Shine in our heart.

You who welcome into the brilliant light of eternity those who have died, welcome those whose lives have been cut short by violence, warfare, and strife especially those in Israel and Palestine. Shine the light of hope.

Christ, be our light
Shine in our heart.

You who delight in the complexity and splendor of creation, help us to delight in the diversity of this earth, our island home. Inspire your people to care for all you have made.

Christ, be our light
Shine in our heart.

We pray for the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

YOUR INTERCESSIONS AND THANKSGIVINGS ARE INVITED

Hear us, Lord;
For your mercy is great.

We pray for those celebrating birthdays or anniversaries this week. Especially Owen Valentine, Bethany Sutek, Maureen Major, Nancy Reinbold, and David Rotthoff . We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. We will exalt you, O God our King;
And praise your Name for ever and ever.

Celebrant: May Christ, the Morning Star who knows no setting, find us ever burning with the light of love, the spirit of truth, and the wellspring of hope. ***Amen.***

Celebrant: Gracious God, you create us and love us; You make us to live together in a community. We thank you for Martin Luther King, Jr. and all your children who have been filled with your vision for our lives and who have worked to bring your vision into reality.

Fill us with your vision. Guide us to live by your vision, working to build a beloved community where everyone is welcomed, all are valued, power is shared, privilege is no more, and all your children know wholeness and well-being. Through Jesus Christ, we pray. ***Amen.***

CONFESSION OF SIN
The People sit, stand or kneel.

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. ***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

Celebrant	The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People	And also with you.

The people greet each other in the name of the Lord

Church Announcements

The Holy Communion

OFFERTORY SENTENCE
Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.
Ephesians 5:2

OFFERTORY HYMN: ***"Best of Rooms" by Charles Wood***

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer A

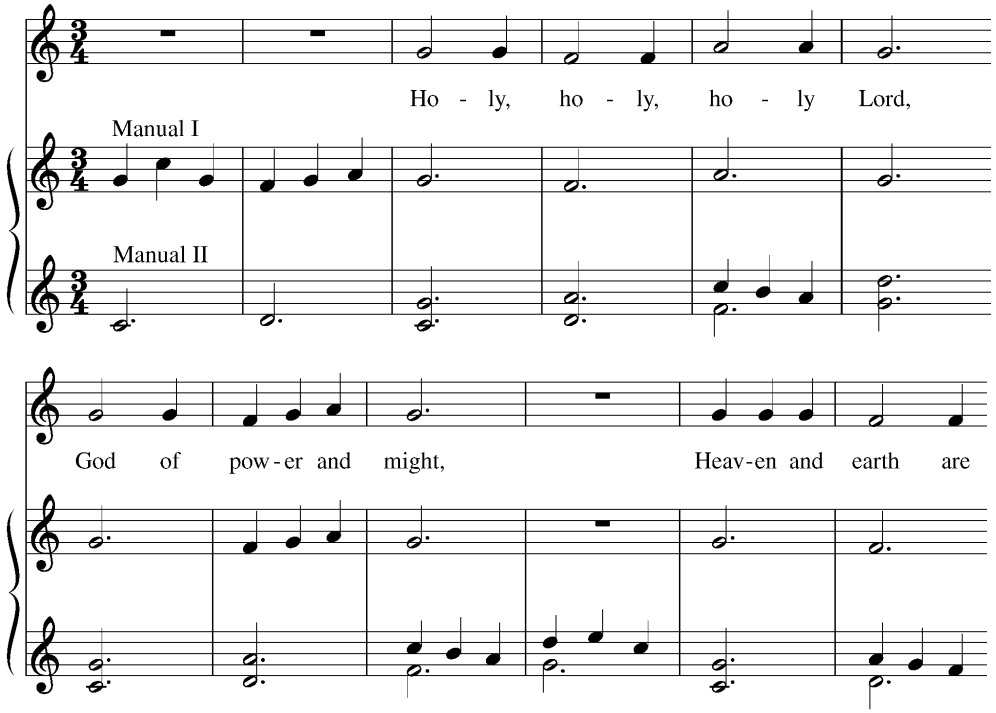
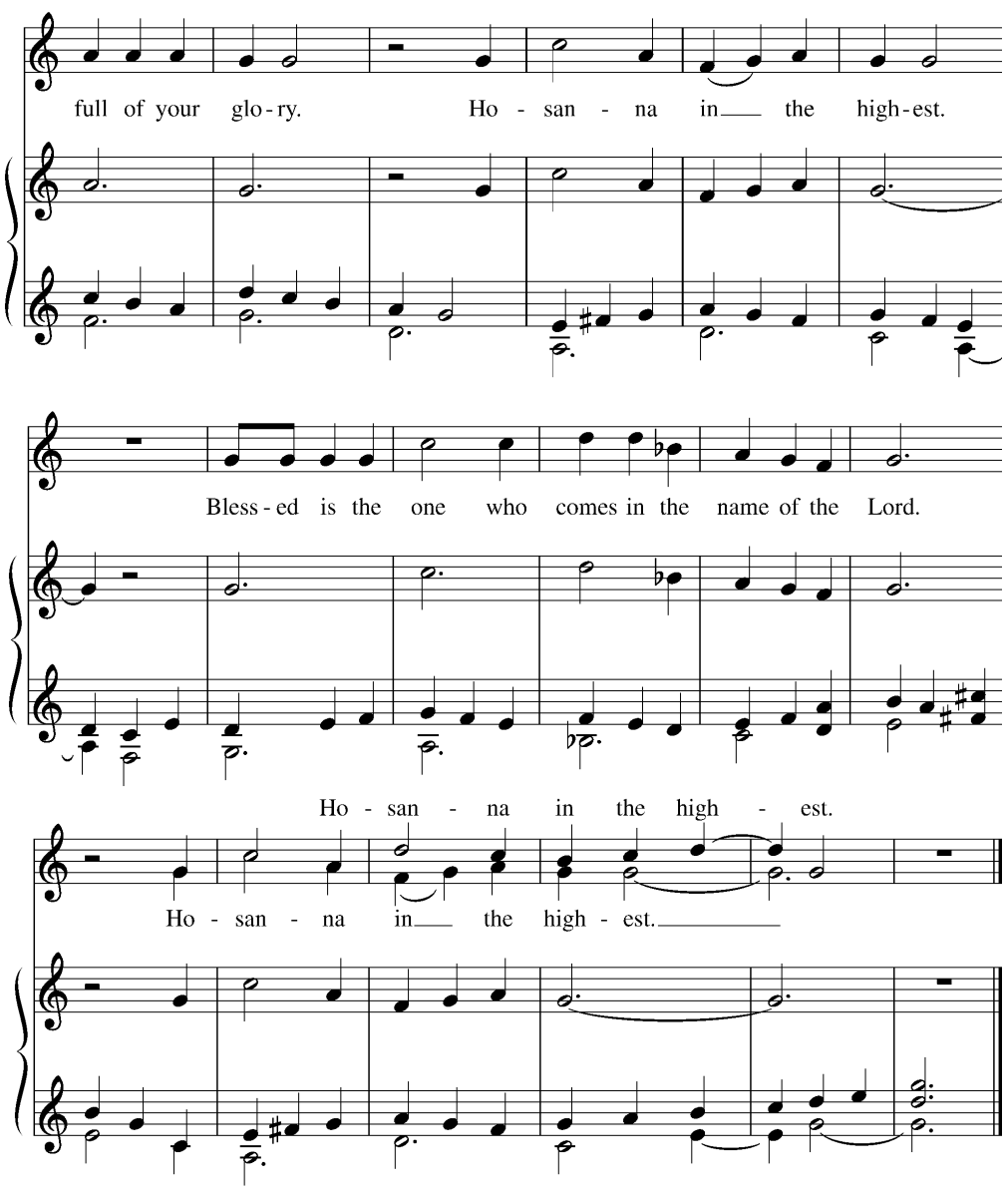
(Please remain standing)

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 God thanks and praise.

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

Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

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: ♪ ♪ ♪

SANCTUS: ***"Holy, Holy, Holy" (Hirten)*** **WLP** ***853***

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 Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 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, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him.

Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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. ***AMEN.***

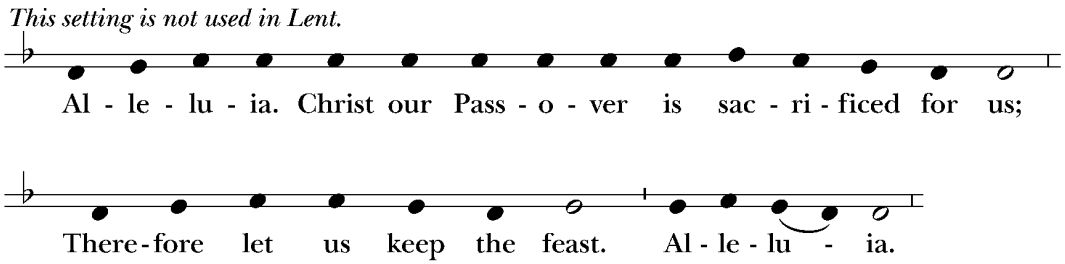
THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

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, forever and ever. ***Amen.***

The Breaking of the Bread

FRACTION ANTHEM: S 152 "Christ our Passover" ***(Chant/Martens)***



This setting may be sung full by all, or by the choir, or as a versicle and response.

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

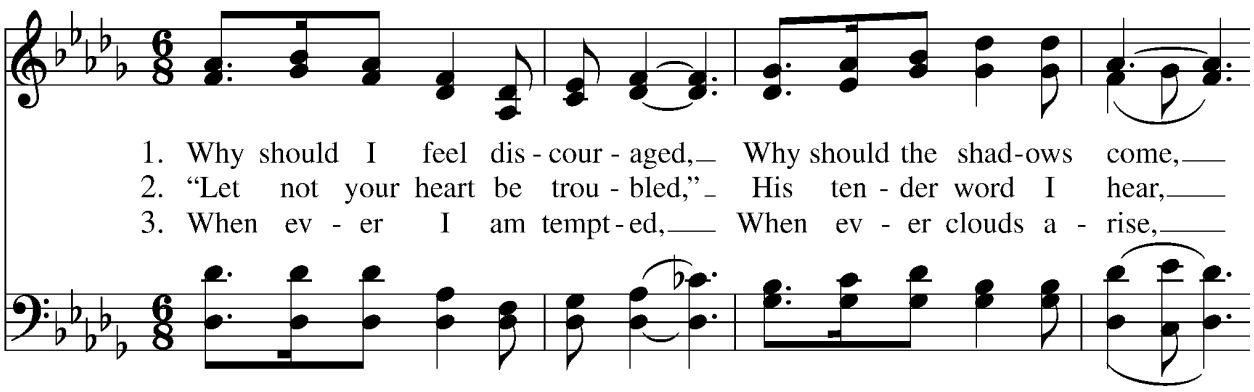
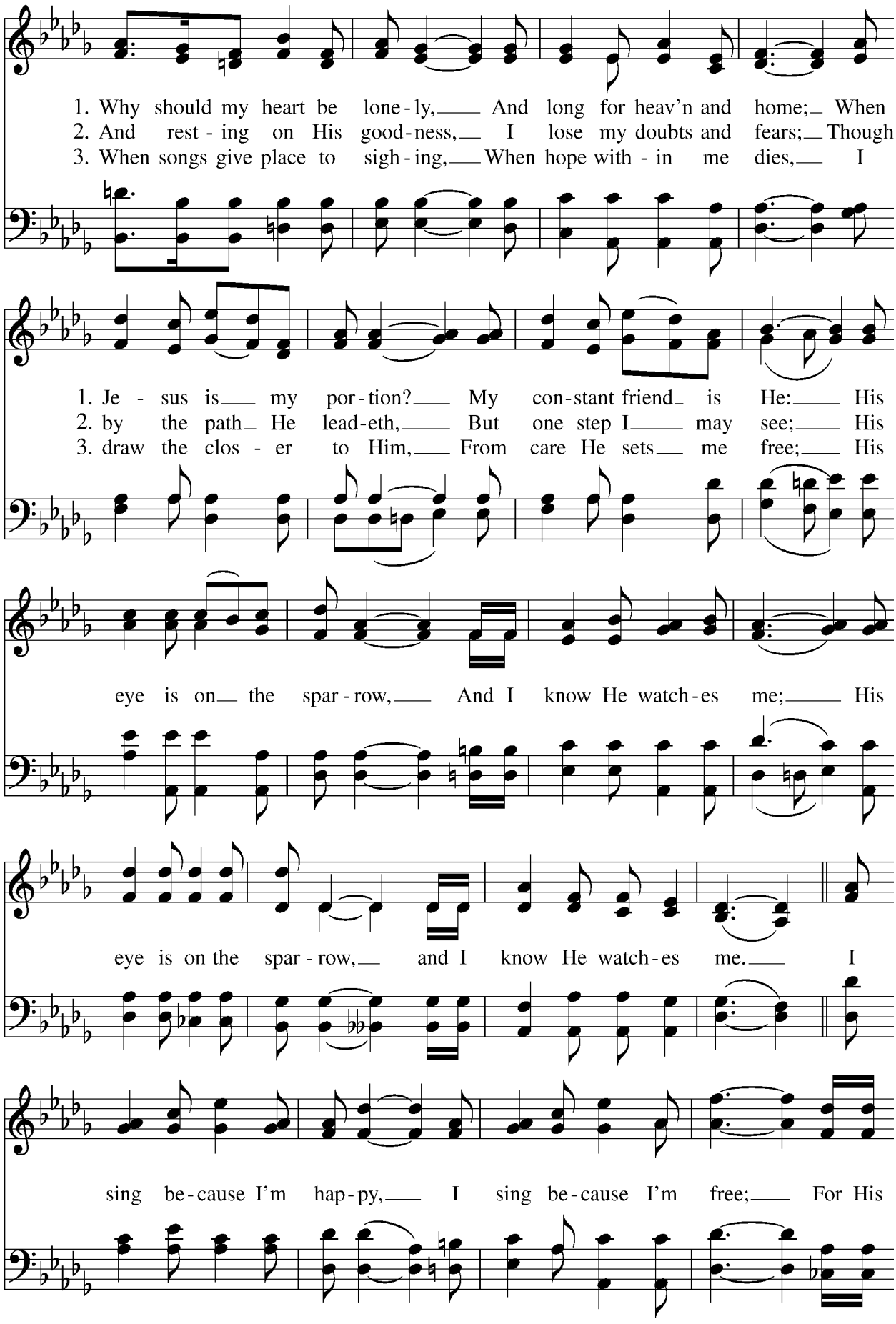
Celebrant: Please join us in praying with our siblings in Christ who are with us online and receiving communion spiritually.

Dearest Lord Jesus, we believe that you are truly present in the Sacrament of the Eucharist. We love you above all things and long for you in our souls. Since we are not altogether in our church today to receive the bread and wine made holy, we ask you to come spiritually into our hearts. Fill us with your light and nourish us all with your word and Spirit. Amen.

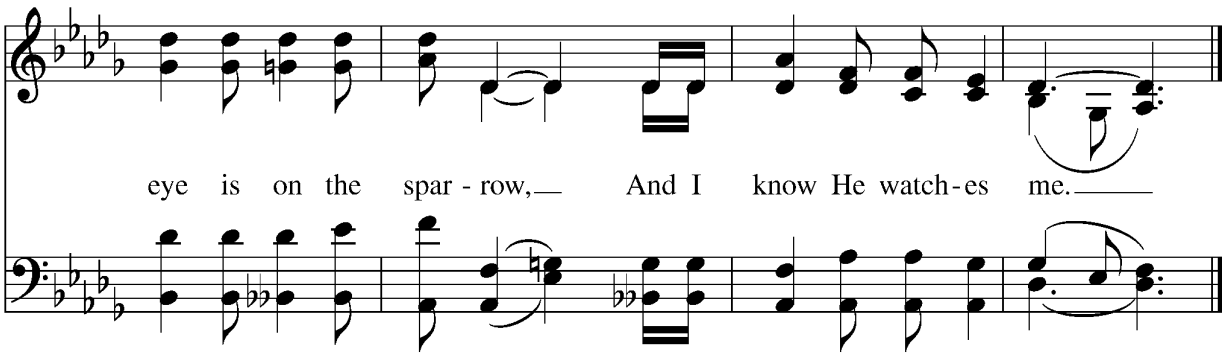
All are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Please tell the clergy if you need gluten-free bread. If you come to the communion station for a blessing instead, please cross your arms on your chest. If you are interested in being baptized, please contact the Priest of the parish.

DISTRIBUTION OF THE GIFTS

COMMUNION HYMN: ***"His Eye Is on the Sparrow" (LEVAS 191)***



1. Why should my heart be lone - ly, And long for heav'n and home; When
2. And rest - ing on His good - ness, I lose my doubts and fears; Though
3. When songs give place to sigh - ing, When hope with - in me dies, I
1. Je - sus is my por - tion? My con - stant friend is He: His
2. by the path He lead - eth, But one step I may see; His
3. draw the clos - er to Him, From care He sets me free; His
eye is on the spar - row, And I know He watch - es me; His
eye is on the spar - row, and I know He watch - es me. I
sing be - cause I'm hap - py, I sing be - cause I'm free; For His

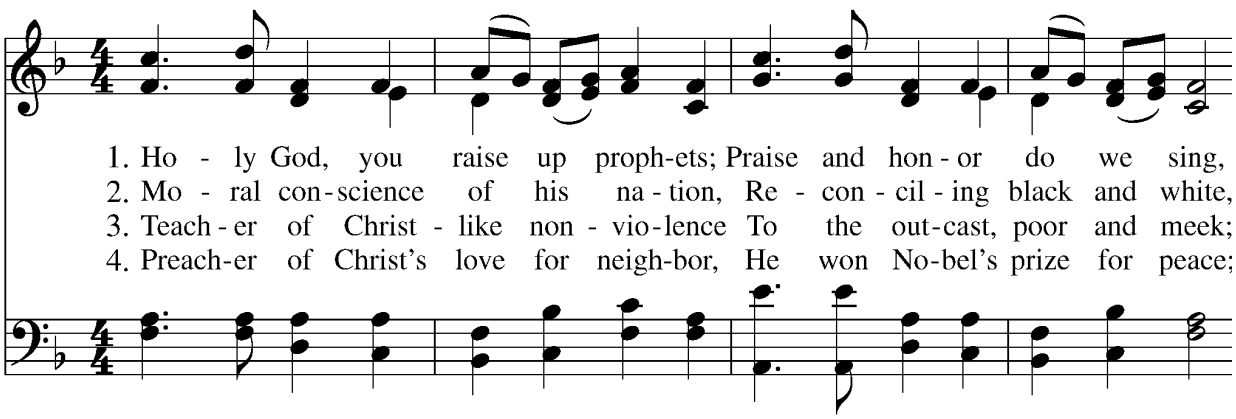
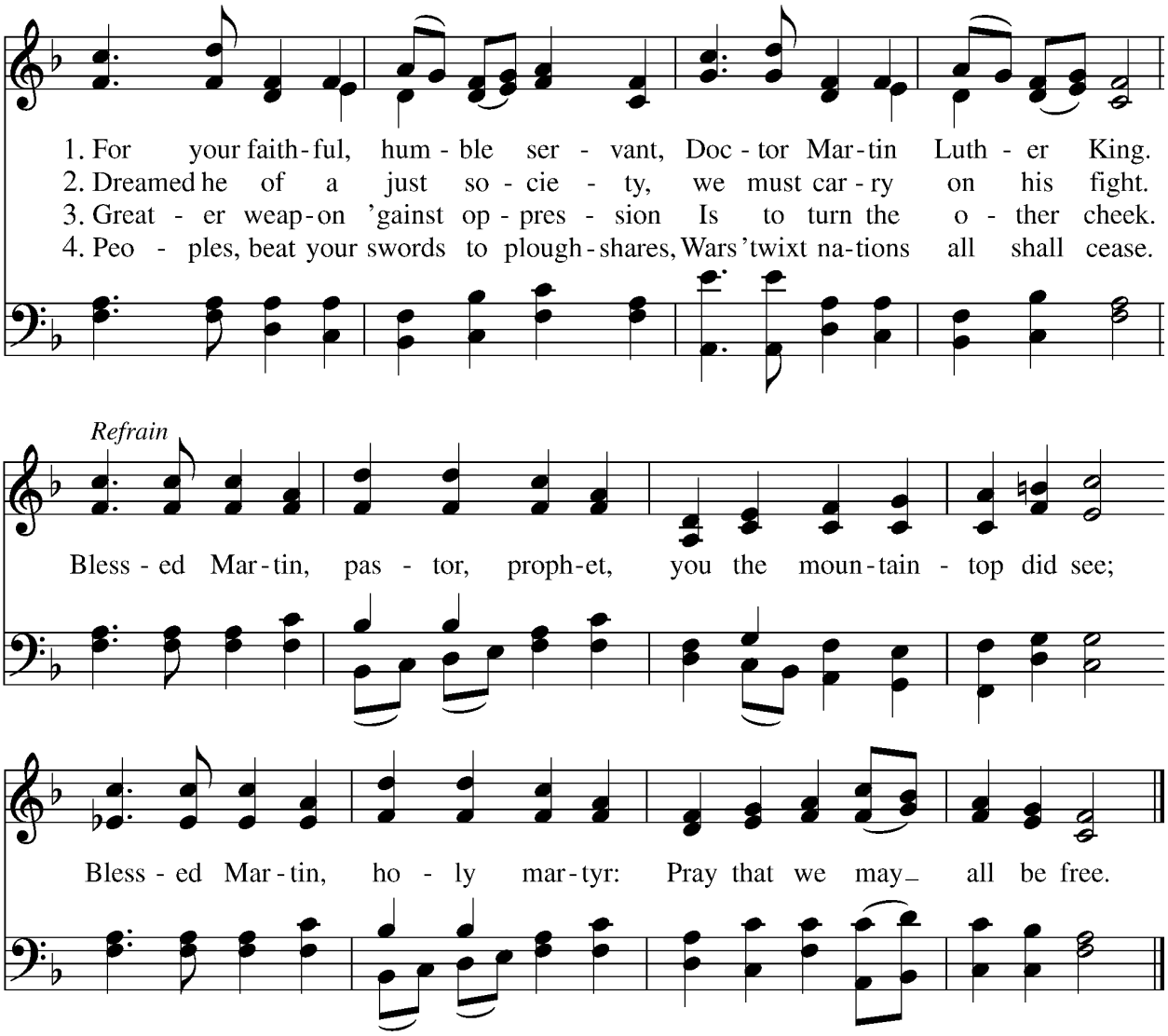


POST-COMMUNION PRAYER
Let us pray together

Loving God,
we give you thanks
for restoring us in your image
and nourishing us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.
Now send us forth
a people, forgiven, healed, renewed;
that we may proclaim your love to the world
and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. ***Amen.***

BLESSING
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 our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. ***Amen.***

RECESSIONAL HYMN: ***"Blessed Martin, Pastor, Prophet" (LEVAS 46)***



5. Champion of oppressed humanity
Suff'ring throughout all the world;
He offered pride and dignity
Let Christ's banner be unfurled!
Refrain

6. So, when felled by sniper's bullet,
Under heavens overcast,
He could cry, "Thank God Almighty,
I am free, I'm free at last!"
Refrain

DISMISSAL

Priest Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: *Processional* by Samuel Coleridge Taylor

Participants in Today's Liturgy:

Priest-in-Charge:	The Rev. Dr. Robin Woodberry
Director of Music:	Edward T. Grimes
Lector:	Jeff Nowlin
Eucharistic Minister:	Douglas Colmery
Crucifer:	Karl Roshong
Greeter:	David Lewis
Camera/Audio:	David Lewis, David Rotthoff
Altar Guild:	Barbara Anderson
Counters:	Jeff Nowlin, David Rotthoff

Monday, January 15th
MLK Day activities and dinner. Service at noon. Community service 1-4p. Dinner at 5:30p. Service and dinner at Mt. Olive Baptist Church. Please register.
(See announcement on pg. 22)

Wednesday Small Group Study
Meets at 10:00 a.m. in the library.

Outreach Committee
The Outreach Committee will on Wednesday, January 17, 2024 at 6:30p in the Guild Hall and Via Zoom.

Thursday Choir Rehearsal
Choir rehearsal is held on Thursday evening at 7:00 p.m. Consider "making a joyful noise unto the Lord" and join our great choir!! All are welcome!

Social Justice Book Club
We are currently reading, "Dancing in The Darkness." We meet on the 4th Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. The next gathering is on January 23rd. You can join us either here in the Guild Hall or via Zoom.

January Birthdays

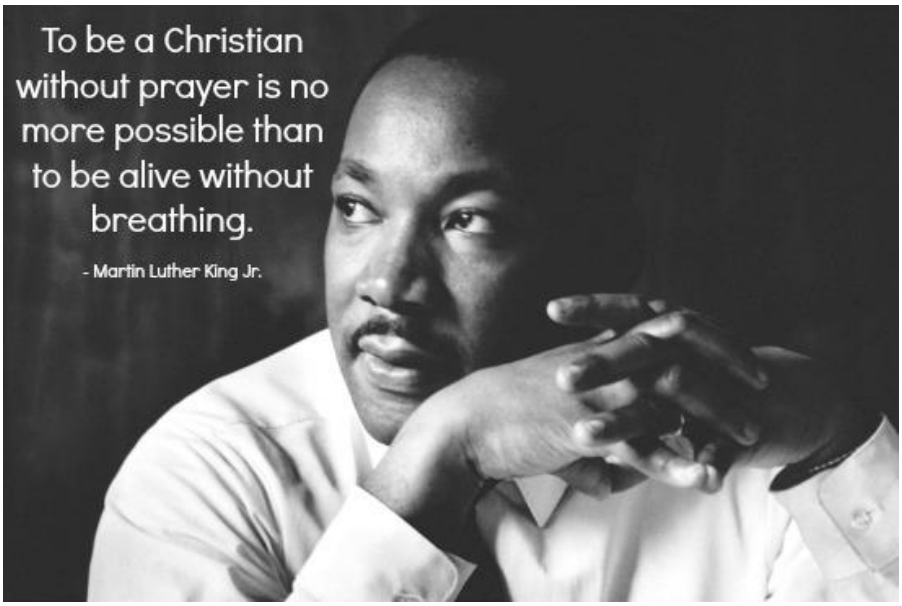
3rd-	Rick Senften	18th-	Maureen Major	28th-	Ed Denning
11th-	Natalie Sutek	19th-	Nancy Reinbold	29th-	Cathi Johanning
12th-	Sabrina Patterson	21st	David Rotthoff	30th-	Cayson Schmidt
15th-	Owen Valentine	24th-	Megan Demastus	31st-	Barbara Anderson
17th-	Bethany Sutek	26th-	Wyatt Marcum	27th-	Mary Lou Stauffer

Happy Anniversary

Ed & Carol Sutek: 10th
Richard & Nancy Reinbold: 25th

Save the Date: January 21, 2024
Annual Church Meeting

All ministries are asked to get their reports into the Church Office no later than January 14th.



MLK Day of Service

Taking place each year on the third Monday in January, the Martin Luther King, Jr., Day of Service (MLK Day) is the only federal holiday that is also designated by Congress as a National Day of Service – a "day on, not a day off." Participation in service activities has grown each year as more Americans are encouraged to provide meaningful change in their communities. Whether service meets a tangible need, such as fixing up a school or senior center, it builds a sense of community or mutual responsibility.

No matter the choice, service empowers individuals, strengthens communities, bridges barriers, creates solutions, and moves us closer to Dr. King's vision of a beloved community. It breaks down barriers by bringing people from different backgrounds together and it benefits those who choose to serve. https://www.doi.gov/pmb/eeo/mlk-day-service

January Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31 10:30 am Service New Year's Eve Party 12p-2p	**January 1** New Year's Day!	**2**	**3** 10 am Bible Study	**4** 7 pm Choir Rehearsal 7 pm AA (Blue Room)	**5**	**6** 7 pm AA (Library) 7:30 pm NA (Cmty Rm)
7 THE BAPTISM OF JESUS! 10:30 am Service Degreening of the Church	**8** 6 pm Communications Mtg.	**9**	**10** 10 am Bible Study 6 pm Finance Mtg.	**11** 7 pm Choir Rehearsal 7 pm AA (Blue Room)	**12**	**13** 9 am Gun Violence Prevention Workshop 7 pm AA (Library) 7:30 pm NA (Cmty Rm)
14 9 am DOK Mtg. 10:30 am Service	**15** 12 pm Service 	**16**	**17** 10 am Bible Study 6:30 pm Outreach Mtg.	**18** 7 pm Choir Rehearsal 7 pm AA (Blue Room)	**19**	**20** 7 pm AA (Library) 7:30 pm NA (Cmty Rm)
21 10:30 am Service 12 pm Church Annual Meeting	**22**	**23** 7 pm Social Justice Book Club	**24** 10 am Bible Study	**25** 7 pm Choir Rehearsal 7 pm AA (Blue Room)	**26**	**27** 11 am HOT Lunch 7 pm AA (Library) 7:30 pm NA (Cmty Rm)
28 10:30 am Service	**29**	**30**	**31** 10 am Bible Study			

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5:30PM • DINNER
MONDAY JANUARY 15TH, 2024
MLK Jr. Joint worship service
Mt. Olive Baptist Church 1403 13th St SE, Canton,
12 pm - 1 pm
On-site volunteering
at StarkFresh Grocery Store locations in Alliance & Canton
1 pm - 4 pm
Dinner gathering/ Curriculum kickoff event
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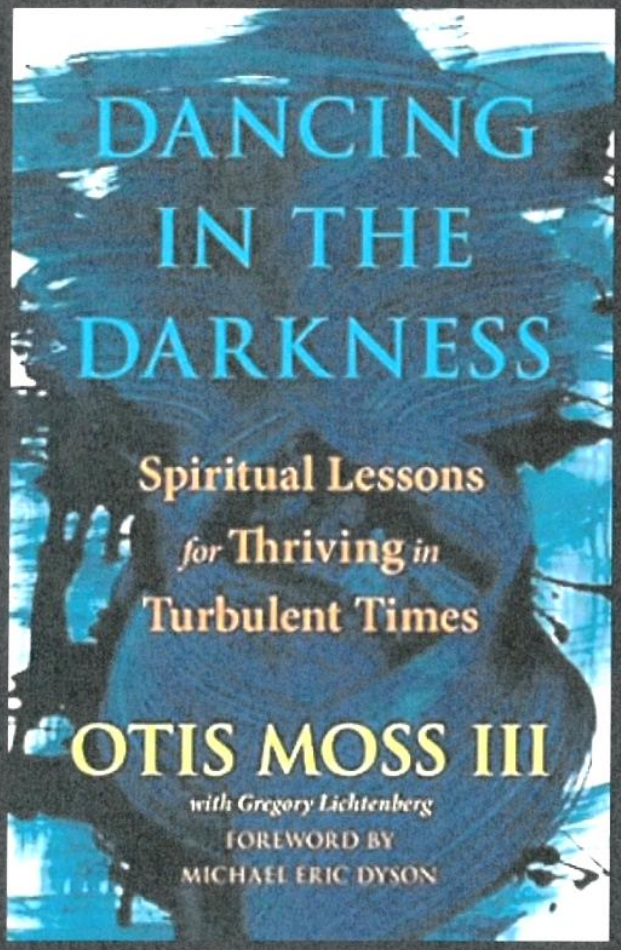
Social Justice BOOK Club

Dancing in the Darkness is a "life-affirming" guide to the practical, political, and spiritual challenges of our day. Drawing on the teachings of Dr. King, Howard Thurman, sacred scripture, southern wisdom, global spiritual traditions, Black culture, and his own personal experiences, Dr. Moss instructs you on how to practice spiritual resistance by combining justice and love. This collection helps us tap into the spiritual reserves we all possess but too often overlook, so we can slay our personal demons, confront our civic challenges, and reach our highest goals.



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Sermon Notes

St. Paul's Episcopal Church

Bishop
The Right Reverend Anne B. Jolly

Priest-in-Charge
The Reverend Dr. Robin Woodberry

Staff
Edward T. Grimes, Director of Music

Peggy Neidig, Office Manager

Paul Schmucker, Sexton

Music Begins Sunday Services at 10:25 am are also live-streamed on Facebook.

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