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Processional Hymn – Hymnal 1982 - #657





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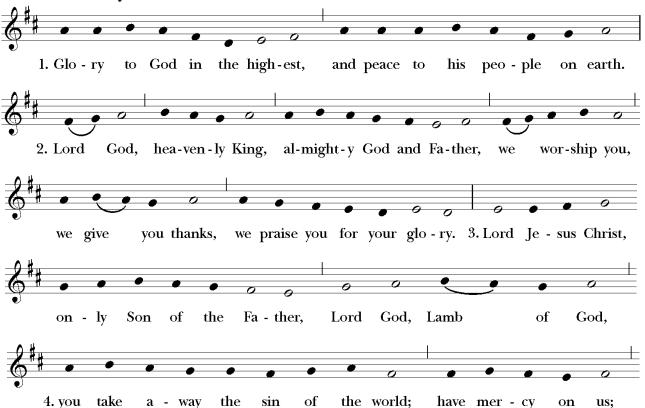
The Word of God

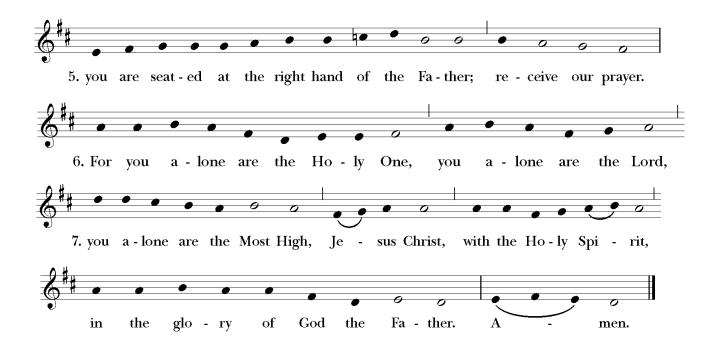
Presider Blessed be the One, Holy and Living God.

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

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 - The Hymnal 1982 - S-277





The Collect of the Day

Presider May God be with you People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given the Holy Spirit to abide with us forever: Bless, we pray, with the Spirit's grace and presence, the bishops and other clergy and the laity here assembled in your Name, that your Church, being preserved in true faith and godly discipline, may fulfill all the mind of him who loved it and gave himself for it, your Son Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

The Lessons

The people are seated.

Isaiah 52:7-10

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. "The Lord is my portion," says my soul, "therefore I will hope in him." The Lord is good to those who wait for him, to the soul that seeks him. It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the Lord. It is good for one to bear the yoke in youth, to sit alone in silence when the Lord has imposed it, to put one's mouth to the dust (there may yet be hope), to give one's cheek to the smiter, and be filled with insults. For the Lord will not reject forever. Although he causes grief, he will have compassion according to the abundance of his steadfast love; for he does not willingly afflict or grieve anyone.

Reader The Word of God for the people of God.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 147 Read in unison.

1 Praise the Lord! How good it is to sing praises to our God; for he is gracious, and a song of praise is fitting.

2 The Lord builds up Jerusalem;

he gathers the outcasts of Israel.

3 He heals the broken-hearted, and binds up their wounds.

4 He determines the number of the stars; he gives to all of them their names.

5 Great is our Lord, and abundant in power; his understanding is beyond measure.

6 The Lord lifts up the downtrodden; he casts the wicked to the ground.

7 Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving; make melody to our God on the lyre.

8 He covers the heavens with clouds, prepares rain for the earth, makes grass grow on the hills.

9 He gives to the animals their food, and to the young ravens when they cry.

10 His delight is not in the strength of the horse, nor his pleasure in the speed of a runner;

11 but the Lord takes pleasure in those who fear him, in those who hope in his steadfast love.

12 Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem! Praise your God, O Zion!

I Corinthians 13

If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

Reader The Word of God for the People of God.

People Thanks be to God.



Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke (16:1-13).

People Glory to you, O Christ.

Then Jesus said to the disciples, 'There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. So he summoned him and said to him, "What is this that I hear about you? Give me an account of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer." Then the manager said to himself, "What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes." So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, "How much do you owe my master?" He answered, "A hundred jugs of olive oil." He said to him, "Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty." Then he asked another, "And how much do you owe?" He replied, "A hundred containers of wheat." He said to him, "Take your bill and make it eighty." And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes. Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.'

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

The Sermon

The Right Reverend Eugene Sutton

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; who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified; who 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 Leader and People pray responsively

The Prayers of the People Form III

Almighty God, we pray for your holy catholic Church; That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you; That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons; That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world; That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake; That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble; That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest.

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy; May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

The People may add their own petitions, silently or aloud.

The Presider adds a Collect for Veterans Day

Gracious God, we give thanks for military men and women, both from the past and present, and for their courageous service and sacrifice to our country and its people to secure the blessings of life, liberty, and justice for all. May our remembrance be a timely reminder that our freedom was purchased at high cost and should not be taken for granted. Give us resolve to labor in faithful service to you until all share the benefits of freedom, justice, and peace; through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

The Presider adds a concluding Collect

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

Confession of Sin

The Deacon says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

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.

The Bishop

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace

All stand.

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

The Offertory

Presider Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us,

an offering and sacrifice to God. Ephesians 5:2

Offertory Hymn – Hymnal 1982 – 417



The Great Thanksgiving - Eucharistic Prayer A

The people remain standing.

Presider The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Presider Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

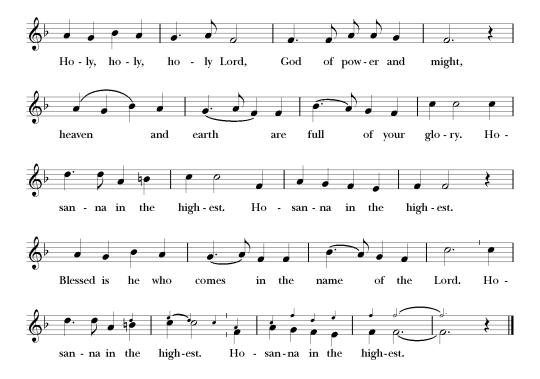
Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Presider

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every-where to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth. For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus – Hymnal 1982 – S 125



The people stand or kneel.

Presider

Holy and gracious God: 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 Creator 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 Savior 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 God, 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 Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and forever. **AMEN**.

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, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread.

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

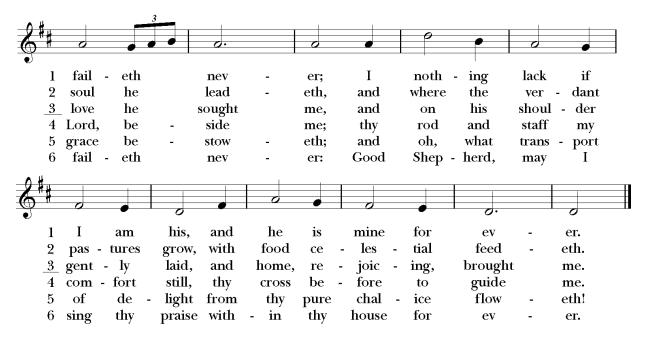
Presider

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Communion Hymn(s)

Hymnal 1982 – 645



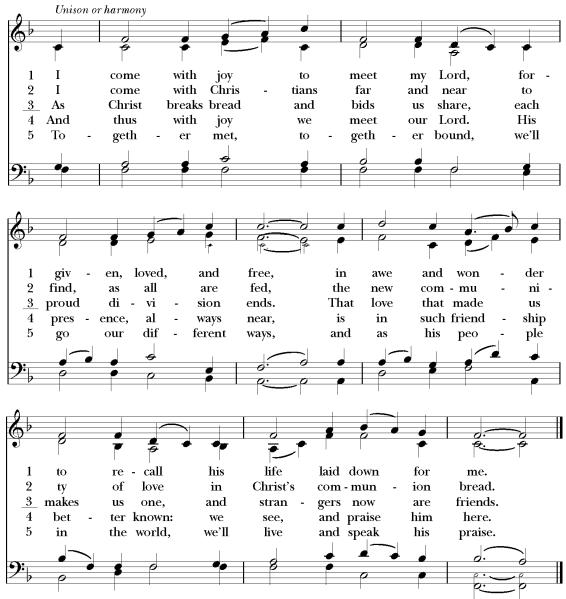


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Hymnal 1982 - 576



Hymnal 1982 - 304



After Communion, the Presider says

Let us pray.

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Bishop, when present, may bless the people.

And the blessing of God Almighty, Creator, Redeemer, and Sanctifier, be upon you and remain with you forever. **Amen.**

The Dismissal - Hymnal 1982 - 671

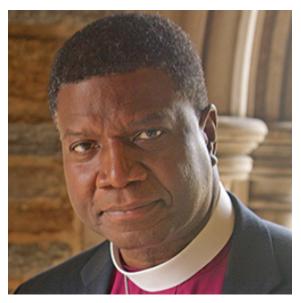


The melody may be sung in canon at distances of either two or three beats.

The Deacon dismisses the people

Deacon Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. People Thanks be to God.

THE RT. REV. EUGENE SUTTON, BISHOP OF THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF MARYLAND



The Right Rev. Eugene Taylor Sutton is Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Maryland, elected in 2008. Previously he served as Canon Pastor of the Washington National Cathedral and Director of its Cathedral Center for Prayer and Pilgrimage.

Bishop Sutton is a frequent leader of retreats and conferences on spirituality, nonviolence, the environment and reconciliation. He co-founded Contemplative Outreach of Maryland and Washington (COMW), an ecumenical network of individuals and faith communities committed to the daily practice of Centering Prayer. In addition to publishing several articles on prayer, spirituality and justice, he's a contributor to the books, *The Diversity of Centering Prayer*, and *Reclaiming the Gospel of Peace: Challenging the Epidemic of Gun Violence*.

Bishop Sutton has written about and been recognized as a thought leader on the issues of racial reconciliation and reparations, testifying on Capitol Hill with author Ta-Nehisi Coates, actor Danny Glover, economist Julianne Malveaux and others for Congressional Bill HR40 that calls for the establishment of a national bipartisan commission to study and make recommendations for addressing reparations as a restitution for the over 350 years of slavery and racial discrimination of African Americans. He has since lectured and spoken for the benefits that reparations can bring for American society before NPR, Fox News, the Chautauqua Institution and other public forums. He has served on the boards of the Institute for Sustainable Communities, the Chesapeake Bay Foundation, Interfaith Partners for the Chesapeake, the Maryland Green Jobs Initiative, and Bishops United Against Gun Violence. He was named by the Center for American Progress in 2014 as one of "14 faith leaders to watch".

Born and raised in Washington, DC, Bishop Sutton graduated from Hope College (Holland, MI), attended Western Theological Seminary earning his Master of Divinity, and completed Anglican studies at the University of the South, School of Theology (Sewanee, TN). He has served as a pastor of the Covenant Community Church in inner city Muskegon Heights, Michigan, and did graduate studies at Princeton Theological Seminary. A former professor of homiletics and liturgics at New Brunswick Theological Seminary in New Jersey and at Vanderbilt University Divinity School in Nashville, TN, Bishop Sutton has also served as Chaplain of the Episcopal Diocese of New Jersey; adjunct professor of preaching at the General Theological Seminary (New York City); vicar of St. Michael's Church in (Trenton, NJ); priest-in-charge of St. Margaret's and St. Mary's parishes (Washington, DC); and associate rector for mission and spirituality at St. Columba's Church (Washington, DC).

Bishop Sutton is married to Sonya Subbayya Sutton, an internationally-recognized pianist, organist and choral director. They have four adult children and stepchildren.