

St Michael and All Angels Mill Hill



**Patronal Festival with
Holy Baptism and Confirmation
by the Right Reverend Anderson Jeremiah
Bishop of Edmonton**



**Sunday 29th September
2024**

10:30 am



**Welcome to St Michael and All Angels, Mill Hill,
especially if you are visiting us for the first time.
Everything you need to follow this morning's service
is provided in this booklet.**

The Right Reverend Anderson Jeremiah, Bishop of Edmonton
presides, preaches, baptises and confirms at this service.

*Before the service begins please pray for those who will be baptised
and confirmed at this service.*

FOR THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

Ezekiel Nii-Amah Cronje
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**Special prayers with the Bishop
for continuing a journey of discipleship**

Amara Chukwu Lewis-Allagoa

ORDER OF PROCESSION:

- 1. CHOIR**
- 2. THURIFER**
- 3. CRUCIFER**
- 4. ACOLYTES**
- 5. MC – MARTIN**
- 6. READER – COLIN**
- 7. CURATE - HEATHER**
- 8. STEVEN**
- 9. CHURCH WARDENS**
- 10. BISHOP**
- 11. VIMPA BEARER**

**REMEMBER TO SMILE... THIS IS
A JOYOUS OCCASION! :)**

**ASK THE BISHOP IF HE WANTS CHAIR FOR
PRESENTATION/CONFIRMATION**

The Processional Hymn (NEH 190)

Christ, the fair glory of the holy angels,
thou who hast made us, thou who o'er us rulest,
Grant of thy mercy unto us thy servants
Steps up to heaven.

2 Send thy archangel, Michael, to our succour;
Peacemaker blessèd, may he banish from us
Striving and hatred, so that for the peaceful
All things may prosper.

3 Send thy archangel, Gabriel, the mighty;
Herald of heaven, may he from us mortals,
Spurn the old serpent, watching o'er the temples
Where thou art worshiped

4 Send thy archangel, Raphael, the restorer
Of the misguided ways of men who wander,
Who at thy bidding strengthens soul and body
With thine anointing.

5 May the blest mother of our God and Saviour,
May the assembly of the saints in glory,
May the celestial companies of angels
Ever assist us.

6 Father Almighty, Son and Holy Spirit,
God ever blessèd, be thou our preserver;
Thine is the glory which the angels worship,
Veiling their faces. Amen.

During the processional Hymn:
Servers line up at the Communion Rail
I stand to the left of the Bishop
Receive C and M and pass to vimpas
Bow
Reverence Altar
Thurible to Bishop
Sense Altar with him
Go to Sedelia by high altar
At Sedelia Bishop reaches for his M
(Vimpas seated directly behind the bishop)

The Greeting

Bishop: Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
All: **Blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**
Bishop: There is one body and one spirit.
All: **There is one hope to which we were called;
one Lord, one faith, one baptism,
one God and Father of all.**
Bishop: Peace be with you
All; **and also with you.**

The Introduction

The bishop introduces a period of silent prayer with the words

Bishop: Let us pray
Heavenly Father, by the power of your Holy Spirit
you give your faithful people new life
in the water of baptism.
Guide and strengthen us by the same Spirit,
that we who are born again may serve you in faith and love,
and grow into the full stature of your Son, Jesus Christ,
who is alive and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit now and for ever
All: **Amen.**

Prayer of Penitence

As brothers and sisters in God's family,
we come together to ask for our Father's forgiveness.
God our Father, we come to you in sorrow for our sins.
Lord we have sinned against you and against our neighbour.

All: Lord have mercy

Lord, show us your mercy and love.

All: And grant us your salvation

May the God of love and power
forgive us and free us from our sins,
heal us and strengthen us by his Spirit,
and raise us to new life.

All: Amen.

Kyrie

The musical score for the Kyrie is written for three parts: Cantor and All. It consists of three staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The time signature is 2/4. The first staff is for the Cantor, the second for the All, and the third for the All. The lyrics are: Ky-ri-e, Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son. Ky-ri-e, Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son. Chri-ste, Chri-ste e-le-i-son. Chri-ste, Chri-ste e-le-i-son. Ky-ri-e, Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son. Ky-ri-e, Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son.

Cantor: Ky-ri-e, Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son. *All:* Ky-ri-e, Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son.

Cantor: Chri-ste, Chri-ste e-le-i-son. *All:* Chri-ste, Chri-ste e-le-i-son.

Cantor: Ky-ri-e, Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son. *All:* Ky-ri-e, Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son.

Music by Jacques Berthier (Taizé)

Gloria

Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo-ple on
 earth. Lord God heaven-ly King, al - migh - ty God and Fa - ther. We
 wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. Glo-ry to God in the
 high - est, and peace to his people on earth. Lord Jesus Christ, on-ly
 Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the
 sins of the world, have mer - cy on us. You are sea-ted at the right hand of the
 Fa-ther, re - ceive our prayer, re - ceive our prayer.
 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, in the
 glo-ry of God the Fa - ther. Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and
 peace to his peo-ple on earth. A - men. A - men. A - men.____

G W



Collect

Bishop: Let us pray **M to vimpa**
Everlasting God,
you have ordained and constituted the ministries of angels
and mortals in a wonderful order:
grant that as your holy angels always serve you in heaven,
so, at your command,
they may help and defend us on earth;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

All: Amen.

First Reading

Genesis 28: 10-17

Jacob left Beer-sheba and went towards Haran. ¹¹He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. ¹²And he dreamed that there was a ladder set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven; and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. ¹³And the Lord stood beside him and said, 'I am the Lord, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring; ¹⁴and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. ¹⁵Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you.' ¹⁶Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, 'Surely the Lord is in this place—and I did not know it!' ¹⁷And he was afraid, and said, 'How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven.'

This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

**1 O Praise God | in his | holi-ness :
praise him in the | firma-ment | of his | power.**

² Praise him in his | noble | acts :
praise him ac|cording · to his | excel|lent | greatness.

³ Praise him in the | sound · of the | trumpet :
praise him up|on the | lute and | harp.

⁴ Praise him in the | cymbals · and | dances :
praise him up|on the | strings and | pipe.

⁵ Praise him upon the | well-tuned | cymbals :
praise him up|on the | loud | cymbals.

⁶ Let everything | that hath | breath :
praise | - | the | Lord.

Glory be to the Father, and | to the | Son :
and | to the | Holy | Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now and | ever | shall be :
world without | end | Amen.

Second Reading

Revelation 12: 7-12

⁷And war broke out in heaven; Michael and his angels fought against the dragon. The dragon and his angels fought back, ⁸but they were defeated, and there was no longer any place for them in heaven.

⁹The great dragon was thrown down, that ancient serpent, who is called the Devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world—he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him.

¹⁰Then I heard a loud voice in heaven, proclaiming, ‘Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Messiah, for the accuser of our comrades has been thrown down, who accuses them day and night before our God.

¹¹ But they have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, for they did not cling to life even in the face of death.

¹² Rejoice then, you heavens and those who dwell in them! But woe to the earth and the sea, for the devil has come down to you with great wrath, because he knows that his time is short!’

This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.



The Gradual Hymn (NEH 475)

Ye holy angels bright,
Who wait at God's right hand,
Or through the realms of light
Fly at your Lord's command,
Assist our song,
For else the theme
Too high doth seem
For mortal tongue.

2 Ye blessèd souls at rest,
Who ran this earthly race,
And now, from sin released,
Behold the Saviour's face,
God's praises sound,
As in his sight
With sweet delight
Ye do abound.

3 Ye saints, who toil below,
Adore your heavenly King,
And onward as ye go
Some joyful anthem sing;
Take what he gives
And praise him still,
Through good or ill,
Who ever lives!

4 My soul, bear thou thy part,
Triumph in God above:
And with a well-tuned heart
Sing thou the songs of love!
Let all thy days
Till life shall end,
Whate'er he send,
Be filled with praise.

The Gospel



The Lord be with you

All: And also with you

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

All: Glory to you, O Lord

John I: 47-end

⁴⁷When Jesus saw Nathanael coming towards him, he said of him, 'Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!' ⁴⁸Nathanael asked him, 'Where did you come to know me?' Jesus answered, 'I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you.' ⁴⁹Nathanael replied, 'Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!' ⁵⁰Jesus answered, 'Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these.'

⁵¹And 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.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you, O Christ

C to Vimpa M to Bishop

At the end of the sermon the bishop's seat is moved to just in front of the chancel step – IF HE WANTS IT?

The Sermon

**The Right Reverend Anderson Jeremiah
Bishop of Edmonton**

Hallelujah Chorus

G F Händel

Sung by the augmented choir

The Liturgy of Initiation

The Presentation of the Candidates

The candidates are presented

1. “Bishop Anderson I present to you
Ezekiel Nii-Amah Cronje
for the sacrament of Baptism.”
2. “Bishop Anderson I present to you
Evanthia Naa Ayikale Cronje
for the sacrament of Baptism.”
3. “Bishop Anderson I present to you
Isaiah Chuka Egbunike
for the sacrament of Baptism.”
4. “Bishop Anderson I present to you
Isaac Chike Egbunike
for the sacrament of Baptism.”
5. “Bishop Anderson I present to you
Olanna Eberechukwu Lewis-Allago
for the sacrament of Baptism.”
6. “Bishop Anderson I present to you
Oliver Stephen Jon Sloane
for the sacrament of Baptism.”

7. "Bishop Anderson I present to you
Lila Amelia Sadiku
for the sacrament of Baptism."
8. "Bishop Anderson I present to you
Elodie Rose Sadiku
for the sacrament of Baptism."
9. "Bishop Anderson I present to you
Taylor Joe McNamara
for the sacrament of Confirmation."
10. "Bishop Anderson I present to you
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for the sacrament of Confirmation."

15. “Bishop Anderson I present to you
Caroline Coombs-Williams
for the sacrament of Confirmation.”

16. “Bishop Anderson I present to you
Azholyn Nyaga Gathoni Karungi Rushaya
for the sacrament of Confirmation.”

Once the candidates for confirmation have been presented to the bishop they return to their seats.

*The candidates are presented to the congregation.
Where appropriate, they may be presented by their godparents
or sponsors.
The president asks the adult candidates for baptism:*

Bishop: Do you wish to be baptized?

Candidates: I do.

Bishop: Faith is the gift of God to his people.

In baptism the Lord is adding to our number those whom
he is calling.

People of God, will you welcome these candidates and
uphold *them* in *their* new life in Christ?

All: **With the help of God, we will.**

*The candidates are presented.
The bishop asks the candidates for confirmation who have already been
baptized:*

Bishop: Have you been baptized in the name of the Father, and of
the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit?

Candidates: I have.

*The bishop asks **all** the candidates:*

Bishop: Are you ready with your own mouth and from your own heart to affirm your faith in Jesus Christ?

Candidates: **I am.**

The Decision

Bishop: In baptism, God calls us out of darkness into his marvellous light. To follow Christ means dying to sin and rising to new life with him.

Therefore I ask:

Do you reject the devil and all rebellion against God?

Candidates: **I reject them.**

Bishop: Do you renounce the deceit and corruption of evil?

Candidates: **I renounce them.**

Bishop: Do you repent of the sins that separate us from God and neighbour?

Candidates: **I repent of them.**

Bishop: Do you turn to Christ as Saviour?

Candidates: **I turn to Christ.**

Bishop: Do you submit to Christ as Lord?

Candidates: **I submit to Christ.**

Bishop: Do you come to Christ, the way, the truth and the life?

Candidates: **I come to Christ.**

Signing with the Cross

OIL OF BAPTISM, PATTERN, BOWL, LEMON, WATER and LAVABO

The bishop makes the sign of the Cross on the candidates for baptism, saying:

Bishop: Christ claims you for his own.
Receive the sign of his cross.

The bishop may invite the godparents/sponsors to sign the candidates for baptism with the sign of the Cross. When the candidates for baptism have been signed, the bishop says to them:

Bishop: Do not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified.
All: **Fight valiantly as a disciple of Christ
against sin, the world and the devil,
and remain faithful to Christ to the end of your life.**

Bishop: May almighty God deliver you from the powers of
darkness,
restore in you the image of his glory,
and lead you in the light and obedience of Christ.

All: **Amen.**

Prayer over the Water

*The ministers and candidates for baptism, together with candidates for confirmation gather at the baptismal font.
As they do so the choir sings “Spirit of the Living God” by Daniel Iverson.
The congregation stand and turn to face the font*

C to Bishop? Crucifer puts kneeler in place ready for confirmation

The bishop stands before the water of baptism and says

Bishop: Praise God who made heaven and earth,

All: **who keeps his promise for ever.**

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

All: **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

Bishop: It is right to give thanks and praise. Almighty God,
whose Son Jesus Christ was baptized in the river Jordan,
we thank you for the gift of water to cleanse us
and revive us.

Saving God

All: **Give us life.**

Bishop: We thank you that through the waters of the Red Sea
you led your people out of slavery to freedom
in the Promised Land.

Saving God

All: **Give us life.**

Bishop: We thank you that through the deep waters of death
you brought your Son, and raised him to life in triumph.

Saving God

All: **Give us life.**

Bishop: Bless this water, that your servants who are washed in it
may be made one with Christ in his death
and in his resurrection,
to be cleansed and delivered from all sin.

Saving God

All: **Give us life.**

Bishop: Send your Holy Spirit upon them,
bring them to new birth in the household of faith
and raise them with Christ to full and eternal life;
for all might, majesty, authority and power are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.

Saving God

All: **Give us life.**

The Profession of Faith

*The bishop addresses **the whole congregation***

Bishop: Brothers and sisters, I ask you to profess together with these candidates the faith of the Church.

Do you believe and trust in God the Father?

All: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Bishop: Do you believe and trust in his Son Jesus Christ?

All: I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

Bishop: Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit?

All: I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Baptism

The bishop pours water on the candidates for baptism saying:

Ezekiel Nii-Amah Cronje

Evanthia Naa Ayikale Cronje

Isaiah Chuka Egbunike

Isaac Chike Egbunike

Olanna Eberechukwu Lewis-Allago

Oliver Stephen Jon Sloane

Lila Amelia Sadiku

Elodie Rose Sadiku

Bishop: I baptize you
in the name of the Father,
and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

All: **Amen.**

*The candidates for confirmation who have previously been baptized
come forward to the font and sign themselves with water*

Bishop: Almighty God,
we thank you for our fellowship in the household of faith
with all who have been baptised into your name.
Keep us faithful to our baptism,
and so make us ready for that day
when the whole creation shall be made perfect in your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ.

All: **Amen.**

Giving of Candles

Bishop: God has delivered us from the dominion of darkness and has given us a place within the saints in light. You have received the light of Christ; walk in this light all the days of your life.

All: **Shine as a light in the world to the glory of God the Father.**

C and M to bishop

The ministers, the newly baptised and the candidates for confirmation process back to front of church.

The minister invites Amara Chukwu Lewis-Allagoa to stand before the bishop accompanied by her godparents and supporters.

Bishop: Today it is our joy and privilege to pray with Amara on her journey of discipleship. She is among us as a sign of the journey of faith to which we are all called. We thank God for his presence in your life and for the grace that has brought you here today. We welcome you.

What is it that you seek?

Amara: **To learn the Way of Christ.**

The bishop addresses the congregation:

We welcome Amara in the love and hope of Christ. Will you support and pray for her and learn with her the Way of Christ?

All: **With the help of God, we will.**

The bishop addresses her godparents and supporters saying:

Will you accompany Amara on the journey of faith,
Supporting her with friendship, love and prayer?

Godparents: With the help of God, we will.

The bishop addresses Amara:

Will you receive the sign of the cross,
as a mark of Christ's love for you
as you explore his Way?

Amara: I will.

The bishop makes the sign of the cross on Amara's forehead and says:

Receive the sign of the cross.
May Christ our Redeemer,
who in your baptism claimed you for his own,
protect and guide you.

God of life,
you give us the gift of faith.
Guide Amara by your wisdom
and surround her with your love.
Deepen her knowledge of Christ
and set her feet on the Way that leads to life.
May your people uphold her with your love,
find in her a sign of hope,
and learn with her the Way of Christ.

All: Amen.

Confirmation

The candidates for confirmation kneel at the communion rail.

The bishop stands before those who are to be confirmed and says:

Bishop: Our help is in the name of the Lord
All: **who has made heaven and earth.**

Bishop: Blessed be the name of the Lord
All: **now and for ever. Amen.**

The bishop extends his hands towards those to be confirmed

Bishop: Almighty and ever-living God,
you have given these your servants new birth in baptism
by water and the Spirit,
and have forgiven them all their sins.
Let your Holy Spirit rest upon them:
the Spirit of wisdom and understanding;
the Spirit of counsel and inward strength;
the Spirit of knowledge and true godliness;
and let their delight be in the fear of the Lord.

All: Amen.

The bishop addresses each candidate by name

Bishop: **Taylor Joe McNamara,**
God has called you by name and made you his own.
Confirm, O Lord, your servant **Taylor**
with your Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Bishop: **Somtochukwu Okezie,**
God has called you by name and made you his own.
Confirm, O Lord, your servant **Somtochukwu**
with your Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Bishop: **Nathaniel Okezie,**
God has called you by name and made you his own.
Confirm, O Lord, your servant **Nathaniel**
with your Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Bishop: **Oliver Stephen Jon Sloane,**
God has called you by name and made you his own.
Confirm, O Lord, your servant **Oliver**
with your Holy Spirit.

All: **Amen.**

Bishop: **Thomas Alexander Sloane,**
God has called you by name and made you his own.
Confirm, O Lord, your servant **Thomas**
with your Holy Spirit.

All: **Amen.**

Bishop: **Tanyah Juliana Williams,**
God has called you by name and made you his own.
Confirm, O Lord, your servant **Tanyah**
with your Holy Spirit.

All: **Amen.**

Bishop: **Caroline Coombs-Williams,**
God has called you by name and made you his own.
Confirm, O Lord, your servant **Caroline**
with your Holy Spirit.

All: **Amen.**

Bishop: **Azholyn Nyaga Gathoni Karungi Rushaya,**
God has called you by name and made you his own.
Confirm, O Lord, your servant **Azholyn**
with your Holy Spirit.

All: **Amen.**

*The bishop anoints each candidate with the Oil of Chrism.
When all have been confirmed, the bishop invites the congregation
to pray for all those on whom hands have been laid.*

The congregation stand or kneel to pray

All: **Defend, O Lord, these your servants
with your heavenly grace,
that they may continue yours for ever,
and daily increase in your Holy Spirit
more and more
until they come to your everlasting kingdom.
Amen.**

M to Vimpas

The Welcome

Bishop: There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism:
by one Spirit we are all baptized into one body.

All: **We welcome you in the fellowship of faith;
we are children of the same heavenly Father;
we welcome you.**

The Peace

Bishop: The Lord be with you

All: **and also with you.**

Bishop: If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation.
The old has passed away; the new has come.
The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Bishop: Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All may exchange a sign of peace.

M and C are now put to one side

**The other servers move the chairs during the peace to the
sanctuary**

The Offertory Hymn (NEH 197)

For all the saints, who from their labours rest,
Who Thee by faith before the world confest,
Thy Name, O Jesu, be for ever blessed.
Alleluia, Alleluia!

Thou wast their Rock, their Fortress and their Might;
Thou, Lord, their Captain in the well fought fight;
Thou in the darkness drear their one true Light.
Alleluia, Alleluia!

O blest communion! fellowship divine!
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
Yet all are one in Thee, for all are Thine.
Alleluia, Alleluia!

But lo! there breaks a yet more glorious day;
The saints triumphant rise in bright array;
The King of glory passes on His way.
Alleluia, Alleluia!

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
Singing to Father, Son and Holy Ghost:
Alleluia, Alleluia!

The Preparation of the Altar

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation:
through your goodness we have this bread to offer you,
which earth has given and human hands have made.
It will become for us the bread of life

All: Blessed be God forever.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation:
through your goodness we have this wine to offer you,
fruit of the vine and work of human hands.
It will become for us the cup of salvation.

All: Blessed be God forever.

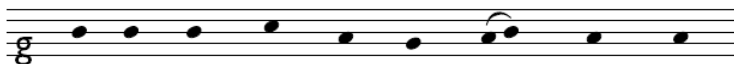
The Eucharistic Prayer



The Lord be with you **R.** and al-so with you.



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



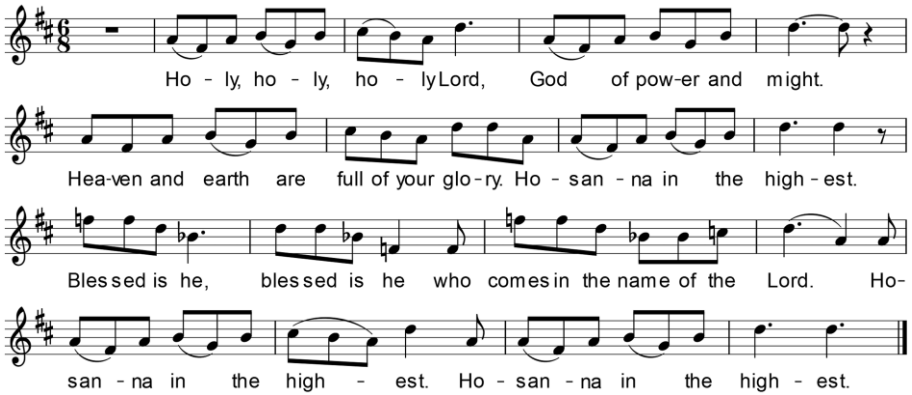
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



R. It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is indeed right and good,
our duty and our salvation,
always and everywhere to give you thanks,
Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God,
through your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.
You reveal your wise purpose
for the salvation of the human race
by assigning to the angels and archangels
the ministry of your steadfast love and protection.
While they contemplate your glory,
standing before you and singing your praise,
they keep a faithful vigil for us,
guarding us along the way that leads to life,
and guiding us towards the kingdom of your light.
In joyful gladness we unite our voices with theirs
and sing the ageless hymn of your praise:

Sanctus



Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness;
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit, and according to your
holy will,
these gifts of bread and wine
may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;
who, in the same night that he was betrayed,
took bread and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in
remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper
he took the cup and gave you thanks;
he gave it to them, saying:
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.
Do this, as often as you drink it,
in remembrance of me.

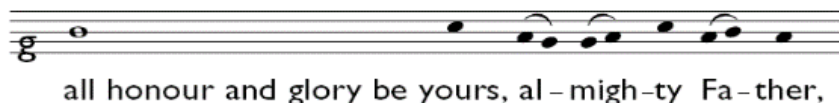
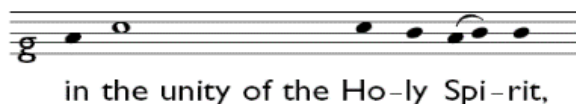
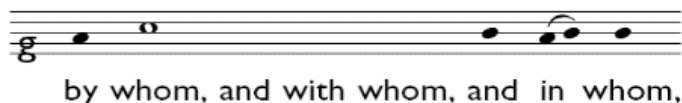
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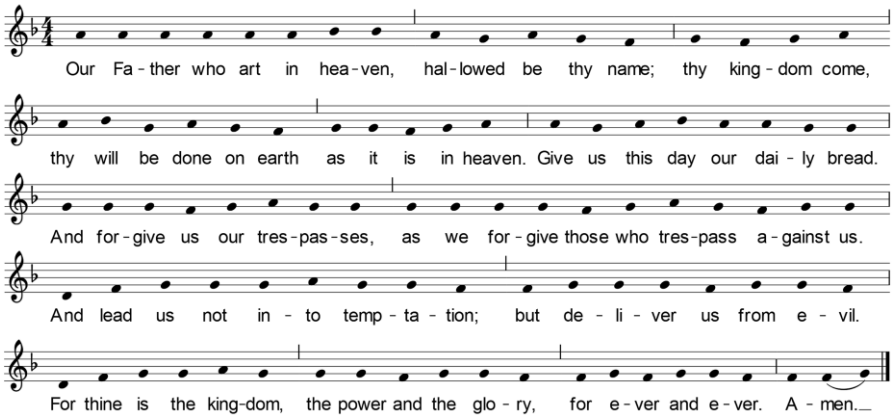
And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross, his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world; rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, we bring before you this bread and this cup and we thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you. Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup, so that we, in the company of St Michael and all the angels and saints, may praise and glorify you for ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord;



The Lord's Prayer

Bishop: Uniting our prayers with those of the Church Universal
we say the prayer that Jesus taught us:



The Breaking of the Bread

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ
All: **Though we are many, we are one body,**
because we all share in one bread.

Agnus Dei

The augmented choir sings John Ireland's *Agnus Dei* in F.



Invitation to Communion

Jesus is the Lamb of God
who takes away the sin of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to his supper

**All: Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

The Communion

*Communicant members of all Christian Churches are warmly
welcome to receive Holy Communion.*

Any member of the congregation may receive a blessing.

*Those wishing to receive a blessing should please bring this
order of service with them.*

The Communion Hymn (NEH 282)

Faithful Shepherd, feed me
In the pastures green;
Faithful Shepherd, lead me
Where thy steps are seen.

2 Hold me fast, and guide me
In the narrow way;
So, with thee beside me,
I shall never stray.

3 Daily bring me nearer
To the heavenly shore;
May my faith grow dearer,
May I love thee more.

4 Hallow every pleasure,
 Every gift and pain;
 Be thyself my treasure,
 Though none else I gain.

5 Day by day prepare me
 As thou seest best,
 Then let angels bear me
 To thy promised rest.

The Post Communion Prayer

Lord of heaven,
in this eucharist you have brought us near
to an innumerable company of angels
and to the spirits of the saints made perfect:
as in this food of our earthly pilgrimage
we have shared their fellowship,
so may we come to share their joy in heaven;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

**All: Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of your son Jesus Christ,
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies
to be a living sacrifice.
Send us out in the power of your Spirit
to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.**

Notices

The Blessing

The Lord be with you

All: And also with you

May the holy Archangels, who surround the throne of Light,
ask for mercy for your souls.

All: Amen.

May Michael, leader of the heavenly host,
defend and protect you in all times of danger and temptation.

All: Amen.

May all the angels of God guard and guide you
along your pilgrim way.

All: Amen.

And the blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
come down among you and remain with you always.

All: Amen.

The Recessional Hymn (NEH 413)

Now thank we all our God,
With heart and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things has done,
In whom his world rejoices;
Who from our mother's arms
Hath blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love,
and still is ours today.

2 O may this bounteous God
Through all our life be near us,
With ever joyful hearts
And blessed peace to cheer us;
And keep us in his grace,
And guide us when perplexed;
And free us from all ills,
In this world and the next.

3 All praise and thanks to God
The Father now be given;
The Son, and him who reigns
With them in highest heaven;
The one eternal God,
Whom earth and heaven adore;
For thus it was, is now,
And shall be evermore. Amen

The Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord

All: Thanks be to God.