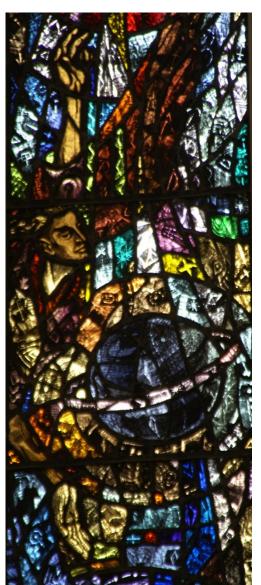


# CHORAL EUCHARIST THE FEAST OF PENTECOST MAY 19, 2024 10:30AM



Worship lies at the heart of the Christian life. It is in worship that we express our theology and define our identity. It is through encountering God within worship that we are formed and transformed as the people of God. One of the glories of the Anglican Church is its liturgical worship. Liturgy refers to the patterns, forms, words and actions through which public worship is conducted.

The people's responses are in **bold**.

## **Territorial Acknowledgement**

We acknowledge that we gather today on the lands occupied by the Haudenosaunee and Anishinaabe nations at the time of the creation of the "Dish With One Spoon" wampum agreement. We honour and respect these nations and commit ourselves to walk together gently upon this land.



# The Gathering of the Community

When the service is accompanied by music, it often begins with an instrumental or vocal piece of music during which the congregation can prepare for worship.

**GATHERING MUSIC** 

Meditation in E flat

Théodore Dubois

WORDS OF WELCOME

PROCESSIONAL HYMN Come Down, O Love Divine We begin our worship together in community by praising God in song.

CP#645

1 Come down, O Love divine, seek thou this soul of mine, and visit it with thine own ardour glowing; O Comforter, draw near, within my heart appear, and kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.

2 O let it freely burn, till earthly passions turn to dust and ashes in its heat consuming; and let thy glorious light shine ever on my sight, and clothe me round,

the while my path illluming.

3 Let holy charity
mine outward vesture be,
and lowliness become mine inner clothing;
true lowliness of heart,
which takes the humbler part,
and o'er its own shortcomings
weeps with loathing.

4 And so the yearning strong, with which the soul will long, shall far outpass the power of human telling; for none can guess its grace, till they become the place wherein the Holy Spirit finds a dwelling.

#### THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

May God's grace and peace be with you.

May God fill our hearts with joy.

#### INTRODUCTION

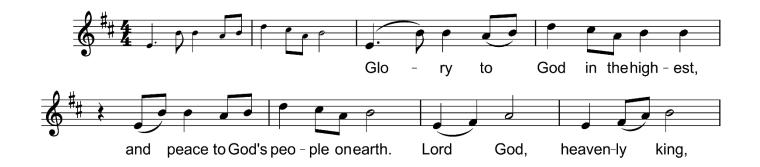
Jesus Christ, whom we worship, is our crucified, risen and ascended Lord and we have walked with him through his journey of love. We have faced the agony of his suffering and death on a cross. We have rejoiced at his bursting free from the bonds of death. We have enjoyed his risen presence with us and his revelation of himself through the breaking of bread. We have seen his return to the throne before which every knee shall bow and every tongue confess that this Jesus is Lord. And now, along with the earliest Christians, we await the coming of the promised Holy Spirit, God's gift through whom we make Christ known to the world.

#### **RESPONSORY**

As we wait in silence,
fill us with your Spirit.
As we listen to your word,
fill us with your Spirit.
As we worship you in majesty,
fill us with your Spirit.
As we long for your refreshing,
fill us with your Spirit.
As we long for your renewing,
fill us with your Spirit.
As we long for your equipping,
fill us with your Spirit.
As we long for your empowering,
fill us with your Spirit.

A moment of silence is kept.

GLORIA CP#691





#### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The collect is the prayer appointed for each Sunday that "collects" or brings out the theme of the day or season of the Church year. It summarizes God's attributes as shown in the scriptures for the day.

Let us pray that the Spirit will work through our lives to bring Christ to the world.

Spirit of truth: guide us into all truth; consume the lies that shroud the world in hate; pray in us with sighs too deep for words with hope for a new world; through Jesus Christ, who goes to the right hand of God. **Amen.** 

## The Proclamation of the Word

THE FIRST READING Acts 2.1-21

This reading is typically from the Old Testament (Hebrew Scriptures) which Jesus knew and from which he often referred or quoted, but during Eastertide it is normally from the Acts of the Apostles, which recounts the story of the Christian community after Jesus' resurrection.

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every people under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Fellow Jews and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams.

Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy.

And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

The sup shall be turned to darkness.

The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood,

before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

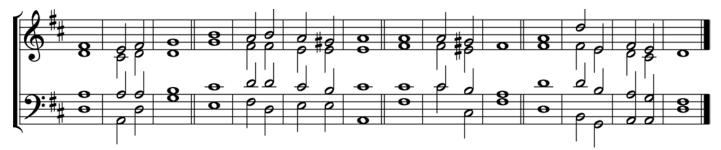
Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM Psalm 104.25-35,37b

The psalms are prayers Jesus used and cover every mood of humanity's relationship with God and one another.



- O Lord, how manifold / are your / works! \*
  In wisdom you have made them all; the / earth is / full of · your / creatures.
- Yonder is the / great and  $\cdot$  wide / sea, \* with its living things too many to number, / creatures  $\cdot$  both / small and / great.
- There move the ships, and there is / that Le/viathan, \* which / you have / made for · the / sport of it.
- 28 All of them / look to / you \* to / give them · their / food in · due / season.
- You give it to / them; they / gather it; \* you open your hand, and / they are / filled with · good / things.
- You hide your face, and / they are / terrified; \* you take away their breath, and they / die and  $\cdot$  re/turn to  $\cdot$  their / dust.
- 31 You send forth your Spirit, and / they are · cre/ated; \* and so you re/new the / face of · the / earth.
- May your glory O Lord en/dure for / ever; \* may you re/joice in / all your / works;

- you look at the / earth and · it / trembles; \* you touch the / mountains / and they / smoke.
- I will sing to the Lord as / long as · I / live; \*
  I will praise my / God while · I / have my / being.
- 35 [ $2^{nd}$  part] May these / words of · mine / please you; \* I will re/joice in · the / Lord. · Halle/lujah!

#### THE SECOND READING

Romans 8.22-27

This reading, taken from the New Testament, is typically from a letter (epistle) to the early Church, the Acts of the Apostles, or the Revelation of John.

A reading from Paul's Letter to the Romans.

We know that the whole creation has been groaning together as it suffers together the pains of labour, and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope, for who hopes for what one already sees? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness, for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with groanings too deep for words. And God, who searches hearts, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

**GRADUAL HYMN** 

O Thou Who Camest from Above

CP#624 (vv 1-2)

1 O thou who camest from above, the pure celestial fire to impart, kindle a flame of sacred love on the mean altar of my heart. 2 There let it for thy glory burn with inextinguishable blaze, and trembling to its source return in humble prayer and fervent praise.

#### THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 15.26-27, 16.4b-15

This reading is from one of the four Gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke and John) which depict the life, teachings, death, resurrection and ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ. We stand for the Gospel reading to show the particular importance placed on Jesus' words and actions.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus said to his disciples, "When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. You also are to testify, because you have been with me from the beginning.

"I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. But now I am going to him who sent me, yet none of you asks me, 'Where are you going?' But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you, but if I go, I will send him to you. And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: about sin, because they do not believe in me; about righteousness, because I am going to the Father, and you will see me no longer; about judgment, because the ruler of this world has been condemned.

"I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you."

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

**GRADUAL HYMN** 

O Thou Who Camest from Above

CP#624 (vv 3-4)

3 Jesus confirm my heart's desire to work and speak and think for thee; still let me guard the holy fire, and still stir up thy gift in me. 4 Ready for all thy perfect will, my acts of faith and love repeat, till death thy endless mercies seal and make the sacrifice complete.

THE SERMON The Dean

The sermon directly follows the Gospel because it is to be grounded in the scriptures. It illuminates the scriptural readings and relates them to daily life. The Sermon is followed by a period of silence for reflection.

#### THE CREED

The word "creed" comes from the Latin "credo" for "I believe." First formulated at the Council of Nicaea in 325AD and confirmed in 381AD, the Nicene Creed is said at the Holy Eucharist, particularly on special feast days, declaring our loving trust in the Triune God and exploring the relationship between the three "persons" of God – the Creator/Father, Jesus the Christ/Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Let us confess our faith, as we say,

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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped 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.

#### **DEDICATION OF VESTMENTS**

The Dean will dedicate a set of red vestments and altar hangings given to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for the ministry of Bishop Walter Bagnall, and also for the ministries of those ordained deacon on the Day of Pentecost 1964: Alec Dobson, Bob Linklater, Graham Thorpe, Laughton Binns, Eric Mills, Roswell Tees, given by Ken Patterson.

#### THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

We pray for ourselves and particularly on behalf of others. In our prayers we pray for the universal church, the nation and all who govern, the welfare of the world, the concerns of our community of faith, including those who are in need or suffer, and for the departed. We are reminded in prayer that we are a part of a larger fellowship, the Church – the Body of Christ.

#### THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Confessing our sins, receiving forgiveness (absolution) and showing signs of peace to one another prepare us to receive Christ in the Sacrament of Holy Communion.

The presider invites the people to confession.

The Spirit of the Lord fills the world and knows our every word and deed. Let us then open ourselves to the Lord and confess our sins in penitence and faith.

#### 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 neighbour 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 presider offers absolution and the people respond.

Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

#### THE PEACE

The community stands for the Peace.

God has made us one in Christ. He has set his seal upon us and, as a pledge of what is to come, has given the Spirit to dwell in our hearts. Alleluia. The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

All may exchange a sign of peace.

## The Celebration of the Eucharist

#### THE OFFERTORY

At the offertory we gratefully offer back some of what God has given us, symbolically in the elements, and in our contributions towards the work of the church. Donations to the mission of the Cathedral can be made via PayPal, using the QR code here.



1 O Spirit of the living God, in all the fullness of thy grace, wherever human foot hath trod, descend on our rebellious race.

2 Give tongues of fire and hearts of love to preach the reconciling word; give power and unction from above where'er the joyful sound is heard 3 Be darkness at thy coming, light; confusion, order in thy path; souls without strength inspire with might; bid mercy triumph over wrath.

4 O Spirit of the Lord, prepare all the round earth its God to meet; breathe thou abroad like morning air, till hearts of stone begin to beat.

5 Baptize the nations; far and nigh the triumphs of the cross record; the name of Jesus glorify, till every kindred call him Lord.

#### PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Let us pray.

Giver of life, receive all we offer you this day. Let the Spirit you bestow on your Church continue to work in the world through the hearts of all who believe. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.** 

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

In the Great Thanksgiving, we do what Jesus himself asked us to do: thank God and recall all that God has done for us in the life, death, and resurrection of Christ. The Great Thanksgiving, or Eucharistic Prayer, is a long prayer with four parts. Each of these four parts corresponds to a different action of Jesus at the Last Supper, where he took, blessed, broke, and gave bread and wine as sacraments of his body and blood. We begin the Great Thanksgiving with the Sursum corda, meaning "Lift up your hearts."

The Lord be with you.

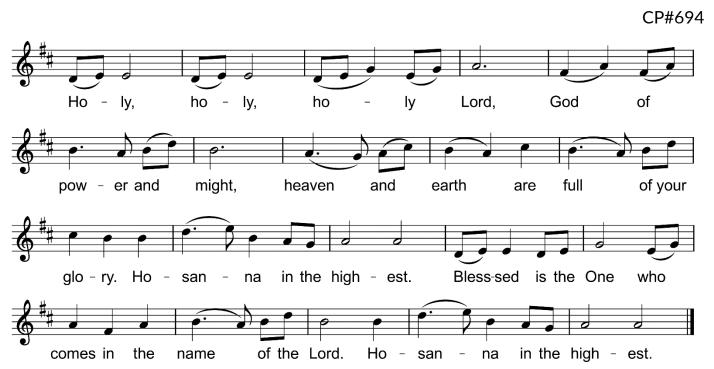
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; we give you thanks and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord. In fulfilment of your promise you pour forth your Spirit upon us, filling us with gifts and leading us into all truth. You give us power to proclaim your gospel to all nations and to serve you as a royal priesthood. Therefore we join our voices with angels and archangels, and with all those in whom the Spirit dwells, to proclaim the glory of your name.



We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, 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, Father, according to his command, we remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory;

and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your children; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

We pray together the prayer that Jesus taught his disciples to pray. The link between our daily bread and the spiritual food we receive in the Eucharist is an ancient connection.

As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Lord, we died with you on the cross.

Now we are raised to new life.

We were buried in your tomb.

Now we share in your resurrection.

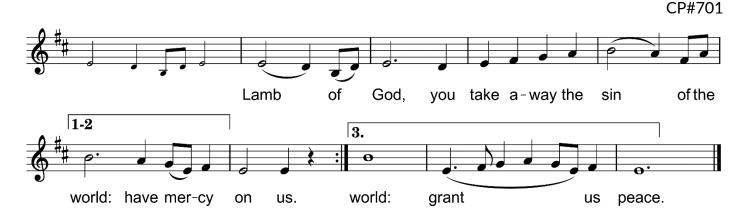
Live in us, that we may live in you.

THE COMMUNION

The gifts of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

#### LAMB OF GOD



MUSIC AT COMMUNION

Come, O Creator Spirit

T. Tertius Noble

Come, O Creator Spirit, come, And make within our hearts thy home: To us thy grace celestial give, Who of thy breathing move and live.

O Comforter, that name is thine, Of God most high the gift divine: The well of life, the fire of love, Our soul's anointing from above.

Thou didst appear in sevenfold dower, The gift of God's almighty power: The Father's promise making rich With saving truth our mortal speech. Our senses with thy light inflame: Our hearts to heavenly love reclaim: Our bodies' poor infirmity, With strength perpetual fortify.

Our earthly foes afar repel, Give us henceforth in peace to dwell; And so, to us, with thee for guide, No ill shall come, no harm betide.

May we by thee the Father learn, And know the Son, and thee discern Who art of both; and so adore In perfect faith for evermore. Amen.

# The Sending Forth of the Community

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Father, may we who have received this eucharist live in the unity of your Holy Spirit, that we may show forth his gifts to all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

Glory to God, whose power working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### THE BLESSING OF LIGHT

The sanctuary party goes to the Easter Candle.

Blessed are you, sovereign God, overflowing in love. With Pentecost dawns the age of the Spirit. Now the flame of heaven rests on every believer. Strong and weak, your people tell out your word; the young receive visions, the old receive dreams. With the new wine of the Spirit they proclaim your reign of love. Amid the birth pangs of the new creation the way of light is made known. Source of freedom, giver of life, blessed are you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

#### Blessed be God for ever.

Each member of the congregation has a candle which is lit. While candles are being lit, please join in singing the following verse.

SNC#2

Longing for light, we wait in darkness,
Longing for truth, we turn to you.
Make us your own, your holy people,
light for the world to see.
Christ, be our light!
Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light!
Shine in your Church gathered today.

#### **COMMISSION**

When all the candles are lit the presider says

For fifty days we have celebrated the victory of our Lord Jesus Christ over the powers of sin and death. We have proclaimed God's mighty acts and we have prayed that the power that was at work when God raised Jesus from the dead might be at work in us. As part of God's Church here in Christ's Church Cathedral, I call upon you to live out what you proclaim.

Empowered by the Holy Spirit, will you dare to walk into God's future, trusting him to be your guide?

By the Spirit's power, we will.

Will you dare to embrace each other and grow together in love? **We will.** 

Will you dare to share your riches in common and minister to each other in need? **We will.** 

Will you dare to pray for each other until your hearts beat with the longings of God? **We will.** 

Will you dare to carry the light of Christ into the world's dark places? **We will.** 

THE BLESSING

The Lord is here.

His Spirit is with us.

Today we have remembered the coming of God's power on the disciples and we invite that same Spirit to drive us out into the wild places of the world.

May the Spirit, who hovered over the waters when the world was created, breathe into you the gift of divine life. **Amen**.

May the Spirit, who overshadowed the Virgin when the eternal Son came among us, make you joyful in the service of the Lord. **Amen**.

May the Spirit, who set the Church on fire upon the Day of Pentecost, bring the world alive with the love of the risen Christ. **Amen**.

And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen**.

1 Holy Spirit, ever dwelling in the holiest realms of light, Holy Spirit, ever brooding o'er a world of gloom and night, Holy Spirit, ever raising those of earth to thrones on high, living, life-imparting Spirit, you we praise and magnify.

2 Holy Spirit, ever living as the church's very life, Holy Spirit, ever striving through us in a ceaseless strife, Holy Spirit, ever forming in the church the mind of Christ, you we praise with endless worship for your gifts and fruits unpriced.

3 Holy Spirit, ever working through the church's ministry, teaching, strengthening, and absolving, setting captive sinners free, Holy Spirit, ever binding age to age and soul to soul in communion never ending, you we worship and extol.

#### THE DISMISSAL

Waiting expectantly for the promised Holy Spirit, go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia. Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

POSTLUDE Toccata in G Théodore Dubois

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