

# Diocese of Barbados



## Annual Session of Synod 2019



**A RISING CHURCH  
TO RAISE OUR NATION**





A CELEBRATION

of

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

and

THE BISHOP'S CHARGE

on

Sunday, 19th May 2019

5.00 pm

in

The Cathedral Church of St. Michael and All Angels

Bridgetown

Celebrant:

The Right Rev'd Michael B. St. J. Maxwell

# ORDER OF PROCESSION

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## HYMN 513

Come all Christians, be committed  
to the service of the Lord.  
Make your lives for him more fitted;  
tune your hearts with one accord  
Come into his courts with gladness;  
each his sacred vows renew,  
Turn away from sin and sadness;  
be transformed with life anew.

Of your time and talents give him –  
they are gifts from God above  
to be used by Christians freely  
to proclaim his wondrous love.  
Come again to serve the Saviour;  
tithes and offerings with you bring,  
In your work with him find favour,  
and with joy his praises sing.

God's command to love each other  
is required of everyone.  
Showing mercy to each other  
mirrors his redeeming Son  
In compassion he has given  
of his love that is divine  
On the cross sins were forgiven;  
joy and peace are fully thine.

Come in praise and adoration,  
all who on Christ's name believe.  
Worship him with consecration;  
grace and love will you receive.  
For his grace give him the glory,  
for the Spirit and the word;  
and repeat the gospel story  
till the world his name has heard.

## HYMN 364

Come, Christians, join to sing  
alleluia! Amen.  
Loud praise to Christ our King;  
alleluia! Amen.  
Let all, with heart and voice,  
before his throne rejoice;  
praise is his gracious choice.  
Alleluia! Amen.

Come, lift your hearts on high;  
alleluia! Amen.  
Let praises fill the sky;  
alleluia! Amen.  
He is our guide and friend;  
to us he'll condescend;  
his love shall never end:  
alleluia! Amen.

Praise yet our Christ again;  
alleluia! Amen.  
Life shall not end the strain;  
alleluia! Amen.  
On heaven's blissful shore  
his goodness we'll adore,  
singing for evermore,  
alleluia! Amen.

## OPENING SENTENCES

On this day the Lord has acted; we will rejoice and be glad in it.  
*Psalm 118:24*

Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness; let the whole earth stand  
in awe of him. *Psalm 96:9*

PRESIDENT:

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Alleluia! Alleluia!

**ALL:**

**And blessed be His Kingdom, now and forever. Amen.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**ALL**

**Blessed Lord and Father, we have assembled in your name and in fellowship with one another. Enable us by your grace to offer the sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; to proclaim and respond to your holy word. Teach us to pray for your world and your Church. Grant that we, confessing our sins, may worthily offer to you our souls and bodies as a living sacrifice and eat and drink of your spiritual food in this Holy Sacrament. Amen.**

**COLLECT FOR PURITY**

**ALL**

**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.**

**THE KYRIES**

Lord, have mercy.

**Lord, have mercy.**

Christ, have mercy.

**Christ, have mercy.**

Lord, have mercy.

**Lord, have mercy.**



## **GLORIA IN EXCELSIS**

**Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.  
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.  
For you alone are the Holy One;  
you alone are the Lord;  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

## **THE COLLECTS**

**PRESIDENT:** Let us pray

## **SYNOD**

Almighty and everlasting Father, you have given the Holy Spirit to abide with us forever: Bless, we pray, with His 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 fulfil all the mind of Him who loved it and gave Himself for it, your Son Jesus Christ our Saviour; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

## FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

### THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

*Ms. Marissa Headley*

*Youth Representative, Provincial Synod*

**READER:** A reading from the Word of God written in the book of the Prophet Isaiah, the sixtieth chapter, beginning at the first verse.

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you. For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the LORD will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you. Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn.

Whereas you have been forsaken and hated, with no one passing through, I will make you majestic for ever, a joy from age to age. You shall suck the milk of nations, you shall suck the breasts of kings; and you shall know that I, the LORD, am your Saviour and your Redeemer, the Mighty One of Jacob. Instead of bronze I will bring gold, instead of iron I will bring silver; instead of wood, bronze, instead of stones, iron. I will appoint Peace as your overseer and Righteousness as your taskmaster. Violence shall no more be heard in your land, devastation or destruction within your borders; you shall call your walls Salvation, and your gates Praise.

The sun shall no longer be your light by day, nor for brightness shall the moon give light to you by night; but the LORD will be your everlasting light, and your God will be your glory. Your sun shall no more go down, or your moon withdraw itself; for the LORD will

be your everlasting light, and your days of mourning shall be ended. Your people shall all be righteous; they shall possess the land for ever. They are the shoot that I planted, the work of my hands, so that I might be glorified. The least of them shall become a clan, and the smallest one a mighty nation; I am the LORD; in its time I will accomplish it quickly.

READER: This is the Word of the Lord.

**ALL: Thanks be to God.**

### **PSALM 67**

May God be merciful to us and bless us, \*show us the light of his countenance and come to us.

Let your ways be known upon earth, \* your saving health among all nations.

Let the peoples praise you, O God; \* let all the peoples praise you.

Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, \*for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the nations upon earth.

Let the peoples praise you, O God; \* let all the peoples praise you.

The earth has brought forth her increase; \*may God, our own God, give us his blessing.

May God give us his blessing, \* and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe of him.

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son:\* and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning is now:\* and shall be forever. Amen.**

**NEW TESTAMENT READING:**

*Mr. Adrian Elcock*

*Synod Representative, St. George Parish Church*

**READER: A reading from the Word of God written in First Peter, second chapter beginning at the first verse**

Rid yourselves, therefore, of all malice, and all guile, insincerity, envy, and all slander. Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation— if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture: 'See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.'

To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe, 'The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner', and 'A stone that makes them stumble, and a rock that makes them fall.' They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvellous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

**READER:** This is the Word of the Lord.

**ALL:** Thanks be to God.

## GRADUAL HYMN 770

God has chosen me,  
God has chosen me to bring good news to the poor,  
God has chosen me,  
God has chosen me to bring new sight to those searching for light:  
God has chosen me, chosen me:

### ***Refrain:***

*And to tell the world that God's kingdom is near,  
to remove oppression and break down fear,  
yes, God's time is near, God's time is near,  
God's time is near, God's time is near.*

God has chosen me,  
Go has chosen me to set alight a new fire,  
God has chosen me,  
God has chosen me to bring to birth a new kingdom on earth:  
God has chosen me, chosen me:

### ***Refrain:***

God is calling me,  
Go is calling me in all whose cry is unheard.  
God is calling me,  
God is calling me to raise up the voice with no power or choice:  
God is calling me, calling me:

### ***Refrain:***

**THE GOSPEL:**      *The Rev'd Kim Welch - Rector, All Souls*

**READER:**            The Lord be with you.

**ALL:**                    **And also with you.**

**READER:**            A Reading from the Holy Gospel according  
to Matthew the fifth chapter, beginning at the  
first verse

**ALL:**                    **Glory to Christ our Saviour.**

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying: ‘Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. ‘Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. ‘Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. ‘Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. ‘Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy. ‘Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. ‘Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. ‘Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. ‘Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you. ‘You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot. ‘You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hidden. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

**READER:**     The Gospel of Christ.

**ALL:**           **Praise to Christ our Lord.**

## **THE BISHOP’S CHARGE**

**ARISE!**         **Liturgical Dance**  
                  *St. Patrick and Holy Trinity Dancers*

## **THE NICENE CREED**

We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is seen or 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,  
one in 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 was born of the Virgin Mary,  
and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered, died and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in fulfilment of 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.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshipped 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.

## **THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSIONS**

*Mr. Andrew Deane –Synod Representative St. Swithun*

**Leader:** *After each petition, congregation will respond with the words: Hear our prayer*

With faith in Jesus Christ, our great high priest, and in the power of the Holy Spirit, let us offer to God our praises and make known our supplications to Him.

We praise God in the glory of his creation, that his mercy is over all his works and his hand is open to every creature. We especially thank him for our lives; that we have been made in his image with minds to know him, hearts to love him, and wills to serve him.

***Father of mercies,***

We thank God for the heritage of the Christian Church, for the faith once for all delivered to the saints, for the witness and spread of the gospel in every age, and for those traditions in which our lives have been grounded.

***Father of mercies,***

We pray for the Church throughout the world, especially for the Anglican Communion, for Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, Bishop of this Diocese of Barbados, for the Diocese of Barbados, and for all bishops, priests and deacons in their leadership of the flock of Christ.

***Father of mercies,***

We pray for the Synod of this Diocese, that through the guidance of the Holy Spirit the decisions made may redound to the glory of God and the advancement of his kingdom.

***Father of mercies,***

We pray for the nations of the world, especially for the countries affected by war, terrorism, suicide bombings, that the hearts of the leaders may be turned towards policies that promote peace and justice within and among nations

***Father of mercies,***

We pray for our Nation, for Sandra our Governor-General, Mia, our Prime Minister, Members of Parliament and all others in positions of authority, that with wise leadership and positive influences, we may build a caring, just, industrious and peaceful society.

***Father of mercies,***



We pray for our institutions of learning, that true knowledge, sound wisdom and godly discipline may ever be found.

*Father of mercies,*

We pray for all families of this nation, praying God to guide all parents in the charge of their children, and to endow all members of our communities with love, justice and forbearance.

*Father of mercies,*

We pray for the sick, the lonely, the bereaved, the elderly and others in need and anxiety, that they may find through it all, the strength, the patience and peace to endure.

*Father of mercies,*

We rejoice in the faithful witness of saints in every age, praying that we, inspired by their example may faithfully serve God in this our time.

*Father of mercies,*

PRESIDENT

O God of unchangeable power and eternal light: Look favourably on your whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery. By the effectual working of your providence, carry out in tranquility the plan of salvation. Let the whole world see and know that things which were cast down are being raised up, and things which had grown old are being made new, and that all things are being brought to perfection by Him through whom all things were made, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever

**ALL: Amen.**

## **ACT OF PENITENCE**

PRESIDENT

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins, and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

PRESIDENT:

Let us therefore confess our sins.

**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 neighbours as ourselves; we have not loved ourselves as we ought. 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 ABSOLUTION**

PRESIDENT

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 life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**ALL            Amen.**

## **THE GREETING OF PEACE**

PRESIDENT

The Kingdom of God is justice, peace, and joy, inspired by the Holy Spirit

**ALL**

**They who thus serve Christ are acceptable to God and approved by others**

PRESIDENT

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**ALL**                    **And also with you.**

*During the peace song “Let there be love..” The congregation will join hands.*

**PEACE SONG:** “*Let There Be Love Shared Among Us*”

Let there be love shared among us,  
Let there be love in our eyes;  
may now Your love sweep this nation,  
cause us, our Lord, to arise:  
give us a fresh understanding  
of brotherly love that is real;  
let there be love shared among us.  
let there be love

**SPECIAL SELECTION: I Will Rise**

*The Diocesan Youth Chorale & The Resurrection Band*

**NOTICES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**THE OFFERTORY HYMNS 664 (MP), 954 (MP), 221 (CPWI)**

**HYMN 664 MP**

The Spirit lives to set us free,  
Walk, walk in the light;  
He binds us all in unity,  
Walk, walk in the light.

***Refrain***

*Walk in the light,  
Walk in the light,  
Walk in the light,  
Walk in the light of the Lord.*

Jesus promised life to all,  
Walk, walk in the light;  
The dead were wakened by his call,  
Walk, walk in the light.

***Refrain***

He died in pain on Calvary,  
Walk, walk in the light;  
To save the lost like you and me,  
Walk, walk in the light.

***Refrain***

We know His death was not the end,  
Walk, walk in the light;  
He gave His Spirit to be our friend,  
Walk, walk in the light.

***Refrain***

By Jesus' love our wounds are healed,  
Walk, walk in the light;  
the Father's kindness is revealed,  
Walk, walk in the light.

***Refrain***

The Spirit lives in you and me,  
Walk, walk in the light;  
His light will shine for all to see,  
Walk, walk in the light.

***Refrain***

## **HYMN 954 MP**

We are marching in the light of God,  
We are marching in the light of God,  
We are marching in the light of God,  
We are marching in the light of God

(the light of God)

We are marching, marching,  
We are marching, marching - Oh,  
We are marching in the light of God  
(the light of God)  
We are marching, marching,  
We are marching, marching - Oh,  
We are marching in the light of God.

We are living in the love of God,  
We are living in the love of God,  
We are living in the love of God,  
We are living in the love of God  
(the love of God)  
We are living, living,  
We are living, living, - Oh  
We are living in the love of God  
(the love of God)  
We are living, living,  
We are living, living, - Oh  
We are living in the love of God

We are moving in the power of God,  
We are moving in the power of God,  
We are moving in the power of God,  
We are moving in the power of God,  
(the power of God)  
We are moving, moving  
We are moving, moving, -Oh,  
We are moving in the power of God,  
(the power of God)  
We are moving, moving  
We are moving, moving, -Oh,  
We are moving in the power of God,

## HYMN 221

God of love and truth and beauty,  
hallowed be thy name;  
fount of order, law, and duty,  
hallowed be thy name;  
As in heaven thy hosts adore thee,  
and their faces veil before thee,  
so on earth, lord, we implore thee,  
hallowed be thy name;

Lord, remove our guilty blindness,  
hallowed be thy name;  
show thy heart of loving kindness,  
hallowed be thy name;  
By our heart's deep-felt contrition,  
By our mind's enlightened vision,  
By our will's complete submission,  
hallowed be thy name.

In our worship, Lord most holy,  
hallowed be thy name;  
In our work, however lowly,  
hallowed be thy name.  
In each heart's imagination,  
in the church's adoration,  
in the conscience of the nation,  
hallowed be thy name.

## THE PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERINGS

### PRESIDENT AND PEOPLE

**Father, We offer to you these gifts which you have given us; this bread, this wine, this money. With them we offer ourselves, our lives, and our work, to become through your Holy Spirit a reasonable, holy, and lively sacrifice. As this bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ, so may we and all your**

**people become channels of your love; through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## **THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

PRESIDENT: The Lord be with you.

**ALL: And also with you.**

PRESIDENT: Lift up your hearts.

**ALL: We lift them up to the Lord.**

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

**ALL: It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

PRESIDENT

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Father Almighty, everlasting God:

But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for He is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again He has won for us eternal life.

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:

ALL

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of power and might;  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

PRESIDENT

Sovereign, Lord and Father  
To you be glory and praise for ever  
In your boundless wisdom  
you brought creation into being;  
In your great love you fashioned  
us in your image;

In your tender compassion  
you sent your Son, Jesus Christ, Our Saviour,  
to share our human nature;  
In the power of the Holy Spirit;  
He overcame the power of sin and death  
and brought your people to new birth  
as first fruits of your new creation.

On the night that He was betrayed  
He took bread,  
and when He had given thanks to you,  
He broke it and gave it to his disciples  
and said, "Take this, and eat it:  
This is my Body which is given for you,  
Do this for the remembrance of me"

And 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."

PRESIDENT

Therefore, Father, according to the command of your dearly beloved  
Son



**ALL**

**We remember His Death**

**We proclaim His resurrection**

**We await His coming in glory**

**PRESIDENT**

And we offer you, Father,  
our sacrifice of thanks and praise.  
Send your Holy Spirit on these gifts of  
Bread and wine that they may become  
the Body and Blood of your Son,  
Jesus, our Lord, and Redeemer.

As we partake of this holy food of new  
and unending life, may your Holy Spirit  
establish us as a royal priesthood  
with the Blessed Virgin Mary, St. N-  
and all your sons and daughters who share  
in your eternal inheritance;  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord,

With Him and in Him and through Him.  
by the power of the Holy Spirit,  
we worship you, Father Almighty,  
with all who stand before you  
in earth and heaven,  
in songs of everlasting praise.

**ALL**

**Blessing and honour and glory and power**

**Be yours for ever and ever. Amen**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**PRESIDENT**

As our Saviour has taught us, so we pray:

**ALL**

**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**

**PRESIDENT**

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.**

## **THE AGNUS DEI**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:  
grant us peace.**

## **THE INVITATION**

**PRESIDENT**

My brothers and sisters in Christ, draw near and receive His Body which He gave for you, and His Blood, which He shed for you. Remember that He died for you, and feed on Him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

**ALL**

**Grant us, gracious Lord, that we may so eat the flesh of your dear Son, Jesus Christ and drink His blood, that we may evermore dwell in Him and He in us. Amen.**

**THE ADMINISTRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION**

**MOTET**

*Choir of The Cathedral Church of St. Michael & All Angels*

**COMMUNION HYMNS 625, 315, 604, 322, 618**

**HYMN 625**

We come as guests invited  
when Jesus bids us dine,  
his friends on earth united  
to share the bread and wine;  
the bread of life is broken,  
the wine is freely poured  
for us, in solemn token  
of Christ our dying Lord.

We eat and drink, receiving  
from Christ the grace we need,  
and in our hearts believing  
on him by faith we feed;  
with wonder and thanksgiving  
for love that knows no end,  
we find in Jesus living  
our ever-present friend.

One bread is ours for sharing,  
one single fruitful vine,  
our fellowship declaring  
renewed in bread and wine;  
renewed, sustained and given  
by token, sign and word,

the pledge and seal of heaven,  
the love of Christ our Lord.

## HYMN 315

Great God, your love has called us here,  
as we, by love, for love were made.  
Your living likeness still we bear,  
though marred, dishonoured, disobeyed.  
We come, with all our heart and mind  
your call to hear, your love to find.

We come with self-inflicted pains  
of broken trust and chosen wrong,  
half-free, half-bound by inner chains,  
by social forces swept along,  
by powers and systems close confined,  
yet seeking hope for humankind.

Great God, in Christ you call our name,  
and then receive us as your own,  
not through some merit, right or claim,  
but by your gracious love alone.  
We strain to glimpse your mercy seat,  
and find you kneeling at our feet.

Then take the towel, and break the bread,  
and humble us, and call us friends.  
Suffer and serve till all are fed,  
and show how grandly love intends  
to work till all creation sings,  
to fill all worlds, to crown all things.

Great God, in Christ you set us free  
your life to live, your joy to share.  
Give us your Spirit's liberty  
to turn from guilt and dull despair  
and offer all that faith can do,  
while love is making all things new.

## HYMN 604

Let us enter into covenant with Christ,  
celebrating the eucharist of love.  
Take a little bread and wine,  
Lift up the chalice of the King.

***Refrain:***

*Alleluia! It's a sign of love!*

*Alleluia! It's a sign of peace!*

*Alleluia! It's the mystery of faith! Alleluia! Amen!*

Take the body and the blood of Christ,  
in divine revelation of his love.  
Be transformed, O my people, from your sins,  
and eat and drink and live!

***Refrain***

He is lifted to the throne on high  
and will come again to rule all the world.  
The saints who sleep in Christ shall rise,  
Rejoice, O Zion, and be glad!

***Refrain***

Jesus Christ is the Lamb of God  
who takes away the sins of the world.  
'He who comes to me  
I shall not turn away'.

***Refrain***

Come, you faithful, to the paradise of God,  
to the marriage feast of the Lamb.  
Eat manna from the tree of life;  
You are washed in the blood of Christ!

***Refrain***

## **HYMN 322**

It only takes a spark, to get a fire going.  
And soon all those around, can warm up it its glowing.  
That's how it is with God's love, once you've experienced it,  
You spread His love to every one; you want to pass it on.

What a wondrous time is Spring when all the trees are budding.  
The birds begin to sing; the flowers start their blooming.  
That's how it is with God's love, once you've experienced it  
you want to sing, it's fresh like spring; you want to pass it on.

I wish for you, my friend, this happiness that I've found;  
You can depend on him, it matters not where your bound;  
I'll shout it from the mountain top, I want my world to know;  
The Lord of love has come to me, I want to pass it on.

## **HYMN 618**

Sent forth by God's blessing, our true faith confessing,  
the people of God from his dwelling take leave.  
The supper is ended: O now be extended  
the fruits of his service in all who believe.  
The seed of his teaching, our hungry souls reaching,  
shall blossom in action for God and for man.  
His grace shall incite us, his love shall unite us  
to work for his kingdom and further his plan.

With praise and thanksgiving to God everliving,  
the task of our everyday life we will face,  
our faith ever sharing, in love ever caring,  
embracing as brothers all men of each race.  
One feast that has fed us, one light that has led us,  
unite us as one in his life that we share.  
Then may all the living, with praise and thanksgiving,  
give honour to Christ and his name that we bear.

## POST COMMUNION PRAYER

**ALL**

**Almighty Father,  
we thank you for feeding us  
with the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.  
May we who share His Body live His risen life;  
we who drink His cup bring life to others;  
we upon whom your Spirit shines give light to the world.  
Help us to continue in faithful witness to your Word,  
so we and all your children shall be free,  
and the whole earth live to praise your Name,  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## THE EPISCOPAL BLESSING

**PRESIDENT:** Our help is in the name of the Lord

**ALL:** **The maker of heaven and earth**

**PRESIDENT:** Blessed be the name of the Lord

**ALL:** **From this time forth and for evermore.**

**PRESIDENT**

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, make you perfect in every good work to do His will; and the Blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

**ALL: Amen**

**DISMISSAL** *Rev'd Kim Welch*

Go in peace and serve the Lord

**ALL:**

**In the name of Christ. Amen**

*Only the following will recess:*

## **RECESSIONAL PROCESSION**

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The Chancellor

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Cathedral Chapter

Dean's Verger

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The Bishop of Barbados

## **RECESSIONAL HYMN 311**

GOD is working His purpose out as year succeeds to year,  
God is working His purpose out and the time is drawing near  
Nearer and nearer draws the time, the time that shall surely be,  
When the earth shall be filled with the glory of God as the waters  
cover the sea.

From utmost east to utmost west where'er man's foot hath trod,  
By the mouth of many messengers goes forth the voice of God,  
"Give ear to me, ye continents, ye isles, give ear to me,  
That the earth may be filled with the glory of God as the waters  
cover the sea."



What can we do to work God's work, to prosper and increase  
The brotherhood of all mankind, the reign of the Prince of peace?  
What can we do to hasten the time, the time that shall surely be,  
When the earth shall be filled with the glory of God as the waters  
cover the sea?

March we forth in the strength of God with the banner of Christ  
unfurled,  
That the light of the glorious Gospel of truth may shine throughout  
the world.  
Fight we the fight with sorrow and sin, to set their captives free,  
That the earth may be filled with the glory of God as the waters  
cover the sea.

All we can do is nothing worth unless God blesses the deed;  
Vainly we hope for the harvest-tide till God gives life to the seed  
Yet nearer and nearer draws the time, the time that shall surely be,  
When the earth shall be filled with the glory of God as the waters  
cover the sea.

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