

Christ Church



Parish Church

*First Sunday after the Epiphany:  
The Baptism of Our Lord*

**Year C | January 12, 2025**

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**Holy Eucharist with  
Hymns**

**7:00 A.M.**

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As all the baptised may receive the Blessed Sacrament, please note the following:

- **Baptized infants and children under the age of 3** are allowed to receive the host [consecrated bread] or a fraction of the host only from their parents.
- **Baptized children, ages 3-15, who regularly attend worship as members of the church,** may receive communion in both kinds [consecrated bread and consecrated wine] through intinction - after the parents or guardians of those children have met with the priest and given their consent for both kinds to be administered.
- **All baptized persons, ages 16 and older, whether confirmed or not, may receive communion without permission from others.**

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God. Psalm 84: 1,2 ~*

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## THE PREPARATION

### OPENING PRAYER

*Entrance of the Choir and Liturgical ministers*

### INTROIT HYMN

**CPWIH 97**

*As with gladness men of old*

As with gladness men of old  
did the guiding star behold,  
as with joy they hailed its light,  
leading onward, beaming bright;  
so, most gracious Lord, may we  
evermore be led to thee.

As with joyful steps they sped,  
Saviour, to thy lowly bed,  
there to bend the knee before  
thee whom heaven and earth adore;  
so may we with willing feet  
ever seek thy mercy-seat.

As they offered gifts most rare  
at thy cradle rude and bare;  
so may we with holy joy,  
pure and free from sin's alloy,  
all our costliest treasures bring,  
Christ, to thee our heavenly King.

Holy Jesus, every day  
keep us in the narrow way,  
and, when earthly things are past,  
bring our ransomed souls at last  
where they need no star to guide,  
where no clouds thy glory hide.

In the heavenly country bright  
need they no created light;  
thou its light, its joy, its crown,  
thou its sun which goes not down;  
there for ever may we sing  
alleluias to our King.

## **THE OPENING SENTENCE**

*Epiphany.....BCP, Page 98*

As announced.

## **THE GREETING**

**BCP, PAGE 101**

**PRESIDENT:**

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

**ALL:**

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



**THE PRAYER OF INTENTION**

**BCP, PAGE 101**

**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.**

**THE COLLECT FOR PURITY**

**BCP, PAGE 101**

**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.**

**GLORIA IN EXCELSIS**

**BCP, PAGE 102**

**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 COLLECT OF THE DAY**

PRESIDENT: Let us pray.

*The Baptism of our Lord.....BCP, Page 160*

Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed Him your beloved Son and anointed Him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into His Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess Him as Lord and Saviour; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. ***Amen.***

## THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

### FIRST LESSON

### ISAIAH 43:1-7

*A reading from the Word of God, written in the Book of Isaiah, Chapter 43, beginning to read from verse 1:*

43:1 But now thus says the LORD, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name; you are mine.

43:2 When you pass through the waters, I will be with you, and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you.

43:3 For I am the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior. I give Egypt as your ransom, Cush and Seba in exchange for you.

43:4 Because you are precious in my sight and honored and I love you, I give people in return for you, nations in exchange for your life.

43:5 Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you;

43:6 I will say to the north, "Give them up," and to the south, "Do not withhold; bring my sons from far away and my daughters from the end of the earth--

43:7 everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made."

READER: The Word of the Lord.

**ALL: Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 29**

**BCP, PAGE 502**

1. Ascribe to the Lord, you gods, \* ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.
2. Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; \* worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.
3. The voice of the Lord is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders; \* the Lord is upon the mighty waters.
4. The voice of the Lord is a powerful voice; \* the voice of the Lord is a voice of splendour.
5. The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees; \* the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;
6. He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, \* and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.

7. The voice of the Lord splits the flames of fire; the voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; \* the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

8. The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe \* and strips the forests bare.

9. And in the temple of the Lord \* all are crying, "Glory!"

10. The Lord sits enthroned above the flood; \* the Lord sits enthroned as King for evermore.

11. The Lord shall give strength to his people; \* the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son \* and to the Holy Spirit; As it was in the beginning, is now \* and will be forever. Amen.*

## **SECOND LESSON**

## **ACTS 8:14-17**

*A reading from the Word of God, written in the Acts of the Apostles, Chapter 8, beginning to read from verse 14:*

8:14 Now when the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them.

8:15 The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit

8:16 (for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus).

8:17 Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

READER: The Word of the Lord.

**ALL: Thanks be to God.**

## GRADUAL HYMN

CPWIH 102

*"I come," the great Redeemer cries*

"I come," the great Redeemer cries,  
"To do thy will, O Lord!"  
At Jordan's stream, behold!  
He seals the sure prophetic word.

"Thus it becomes to fulfill  
all righteousness," he said.  
Then, faithful to the Lord's commands,  
through Jordan's flood was led.

Hark, a glad voice! The Father speaks  
from heaven's exalted height:  
"This is my Son, my well-beloved  
in whom I take delight."

The Saviour Jesus, well-beloved!  
His Name we will profess,  
like him desirous to fulfill  
God's will in righteousness.

No more we'll count ourselves our own  
but his in bonds of love.  
Oh, may such bonds for ever draw  
our souls to things above!

## THE GOSPEL READING

LUKE 3:15-17, 21-22

GOSPELLER: The Lord be with you.

**ALL: And also with you.**

GOSPELLER: A Reading from the Holy Gospel  
according to Luke, the third chapter,  
beginning at the fifteenth verse.

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

3:15 As the people were filled with expectation and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah,

3:16 John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water, but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the strap of his

sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.

3:17 His winnowing fork is in his hand to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

3:21 Now when all the people were baptized and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened,

3:22 and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

GOSPELLER: This is the Gospel of Christ.

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

**THE SERMON**

**THE REVEREND MARK HAREWOOD**

*Rector, Christ Church Parish Church*

**THE NICENE CREED**

**BCP, PAGE 104**

**ALL:**

**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 fulfillment 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.**

## **THE PRAYERS / INTERCESSIONS**

*Form C*

*BCP, Page 108*

**LEADER:**

With all our heart and all our mind let us pray to the Lord. saying, "Lord have mercy."

**LEADER:**

For the peace from above, for the loving kindness of God, and for the salvation of our souls:  
Let us pray to the Lord.

**ALL:      Lord, have mercy.**

**LEADER:**

For the peace and welfare of the world, for the witness and work of the Church, and for the unity of all peoples:

Let us pray to the Lord.

**ALL: Lord, have mercy.**

LEADER:

For our Bishops and all ministers of God's Word and Sacraments, that they may be filled with truth and love and be found without fault at the Lord's coming:  
Let us pray to the Lord.

**ALL: Lord, have mercy.**

LEADER:

For the leaders of the nations and for those in authority among us, that they may serve justice and promote the freedom and dignity of all peoples:  
Let us pray to the Lord.

**ALL: Lord, have mercy.**

LEADER:

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice and oppression, and for all who labour in the cause of human liberation and fulfilment:  
Let us pray to the Lord.

**ALL: Lord, have mercy.**

LEADER:

For the sick, the suffering, the sorrowful, and the dying; and for all who remember and care for them:  
Let us pray to the Lord.

**ALL: Lord, have mercy.**

LEADER:

For deliverance from the ravages of hurricane,  
earthquake, drought or flood, and for a just and  
proper use of God's creation:

Let us pray to the Lord.

**ALL: Lord, have mercy.**

LEADER:

For ourselves and all who confess the name of Christ,  
that we may show forth the excellencies of Him who  
called us out of darkness into His marvellous light:

Let us pray to the Lord.

**ALL: Lord, have mercy.**

*Silence may be kept.*

**ALL:**

**O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your  
people in the multitude of your mercies. Look with  
compassion on us and all who turn to you for help;  
for you are gracious O Lord of love, and to you we  
give glory, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and for  
ever. Amen.**

**THE ACT OF PENITENCE**

**BCP, PAGE 123**

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.

*A period of silence shall be kept.*

PRESIDENT:

Let us therefore confess our sins.

*One of the following forms will be used:*

*Form A*

*BCP, Page 123*

**ALL:**

**Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and one another, in thought, word and deed, and in what we have left undone. We are sorry and repent of all our sins. For your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past, and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

*Form B*

*BCP, Page 124*

**ALL:**

**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**

**BCP, PAGE 124**

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. ***Amen.***

**THE GREETING OF PEACE**

**BCP, PAGES 124-125**

*One of the following forms shall be said:*

**FORM A**

PRESIDENT: We are the body of Christ. By the one Spirit we were all baptized into one Body, and have all been made to drink of the one Spirit.

**ALL: Let us then pursue the things that make for peace and build up the common life.**

*FORM B*

PRESIDENT: If you are offering your gift at the altar, and there remember that your brother has something against you,

**ALL: Leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift.**

*FORM C*

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.**

**HYMN OF PEACE**

**BIND US TOGETHER**

*Bind us together, Lord  
bind us together  
with cords that cannot be broken  
bind us together, Lord  
bind us together  
O Bind us together in Love*

There is only one God,  
There is only one King  
There is only one Body,  
That is why we sing.

***Refrain:***

Made for the glory of God,  
purchased by his precious Son  
born with the right to be clean  
for Jesus the victory has won.

***Refrain:***

You are the family of God  
you are the promise divine  
you are God's chosen desire  
you are the glorious new wine.

***Refrain:***

## **MINISTRY OF HOSPITALITY & NOTICES**

### **The Welcome Song**

Welcome friend on this day  
Yes, we're glad you have joined us.  
Take your place fill your hearts  
With Christ's love which surrounds us.  
Glory to God may you live and grow,  
In His love forever  
Welcome friend on this day  
Know we're glad you have joined us.



## THE MINISTRY OF THE SACRAMENT

### OFFERTORY HYMNS

CPWIH 251

*Hail to the Lord's Anointed*

HAIL to the Lord's Anointed,  
great David's greater Son!  
Hail, in the time appointed,  
his reign on earth begun!  
He comes to break oppression,  
to set the captive free,  
to take away transgression,  
and rule in equity.

He comes with succour speedy  
to those who suffer wrong;  
to help the poor and needy,  
and bid the weak be strong;  
to give them songs for sighing,  
their darkness turn to light,  
whose souls, condemned and dying,  
were precious in his sight.

He shall come down like showers  
Upon the fruitful earth,  
And joy and hope, like flowers,  
Spring in His path to birth:  
Before Him on the mountains  
Shall peace, the herald, go;

and righteousness in fountains  
from hill to valley flow.

Kings shall bow down before Him,  
And gold and incense bring;  
All nations shall adore Him,  
His praise all people sing;  
To Him shall prayer unceasing  
And daily vows ascend;  
His kingdom still increasing,  
A kingdom without end.

O'er every foe victorious,  
He on His Throne shall rest;  
From age to age more glorious,  
All-blessing and all-blest:  
The tide of time shall never  
His covenant remove;  
His Name shall stand for ever,  
His changeless Name of love.

## **THE PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERINGS BCP, PAGE 126**

PRESIDENT AND PEOPLE:

**Father, we offer 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

*Sursum Corda*

*BCP, Page 126*

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 God thanks and praise.**

PRESIDENT:

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

*Preface: Epiphany*

*BCP, Page 127*

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Because in coming to dwell among us as man, He revealed the radiance of

His glory, and brought us out of darkness into His own marvellous light.

*Sanctus and Benedictus*

*BCP, Page 131*

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:

**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.**

*Eucharistic Rite A-E (as announced) BCP, Pages 131-142*

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**BCP, PAGE 144**

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**

**BCP, PAGE 145**

*Form A*

**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.**

*Form B*

**PRESIDENT:** God of promise, You have prepared a  
Banquet for us

**ALL:** **Happy are those who are called to  
the supper of the Lamb.**

*Form C*

**PRESIDENT:** This is the true bread which comes  
from heaven

**ALL:** **Whoever eats this bread will live  
forever.**

**THE AGNUS DEI**

**BCP, PAGE 147**

**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**

**BCP, PAGE 145-146**

*Form A*

**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 gracious Lord, that we 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.**

*Form B*

**PRESIDENT:**

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

**ALL:**

**Our souls will feast and be satisfied, and we will sing glad songs of praise to Him.**

*Form C*

**PRESIDENT:**

Draw near and receive the Body and Blood of our Saviour Jesus Christ with faith and thanksgiving.

**ALL:**

**We do not presume to come to this your table, most merciful Father, trusting in our own righteousness, but only in your boundless mercy. We are not even worthy to gather up the crumbs under your table. But you are the Lord ever the same, ever merciful. Grant therefore, Lord of grace and love, that we may so eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ and drink His blood, that with bodies and souls made clean from every stain of sin we may evermore dwell in Him, and He in us.**

**HYMNS FOR COMMUNION, BLESSINGS 633, 538, 271, 650**

*CPWIH 633 – Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit*

Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit,  
cleansed by the blood of Christ our King:  
heirs of salvation, trusting his promise,  
faithfully now God's praise we sing.

Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit,  
dead in the tomb with Christ our King:  
one with his rising, freed and forgiven,  
thankfully now God's praise we sing.

Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit,  
marked with the sign of Christ our King:  
born of one Father, we are his children,  
joyfully now God's praise we sing.

*CPWIH 538 – O THOU Who camest from above*

O THOU Who camest from above  
The fire celestial to impart,  
Kindle a flame of sacred love  
On the mean altar of my heart.

There let it for Thy glory burn  
With inextinguishable blaze,  
And trembling to its source return  
In humble prayer, and fervent praise.

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 the gift in me.

Still let me prove Thy perfect will,  
My acts of faith and love repeat;



Till death Thy endless mercies seal,  
And make the sacrifice complete.

*CPWIH 271 – Come, gracious Spirit, heavenly Dove*

Come, gracious Spirit, heavenly Dove,  
with light and comfort from above;  
be thou our guardian, thou our guide,  
o'er every thought and step preside.

The light of truth to us display,  
and make us know and choose thy way;  
plant holy fear in every heart,  
that we from God may ne'er depart.

Lead us to Christ, the living way,  
nor let us from his pastures stray;  
lead us to holiness, the road  
that we must take to dwell with God.

Lead us to heaven, that we may share  
fullness of joy for ever there;  
lead us to God, our final rest,  
to be with him for ever blest.

*CPWIH 650 – I was made a Christian*

I was made a Christian  
when my name was given,  
one of God's dear children,  
and an heir of heaven.  
In the name of Christian  
I will glory now,  
evermore remember  
my baptismal vow.

I must, like a Christian,  
shun all evil ways,  
keep the faith of Jesus,  
serve him all my days.  
Called to be a Christian,  
I will praise the Lord,  
seek for his assistance  
so to keep my word.

All a Christian's blessings  
I will claim for mine:  
holy work and worship,  
fellowship divine.  
Father, Son and Spirit,  
give me grace, that I  
still may live a Christian,  
and a Christian die.

## THE DISMISSAL

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

BCP, PAGES 147-149

*One of the following prayers shall be said:*

*First Prayer*

**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.**

*Second Prayer*

**Eternal God and Heavenly Father,  
We thank you for feeding us  
with the Body and Blood  
of your Son Jesus Christ.  
Send us now into the world in peace, and  
grant us strength and courage  
to love and serve you, and all persons in you, with  
gladness and singleness of heart, through your Son  
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*Third Prayer*

**Almighty and everliving God,  
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food  
of the most precious Body and Blood  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;  
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries  
that we are living members of the Body of your Son  
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.  
And now, Father, send us out  
to do the work you have given us to do,  
to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of  
Christ our Lord.  
To Him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,  
be honour and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

**BLESSING**

**BCP, PAGE 149-152**

*Epiphany.....BCP, Page 150*

Christ the Son of God gladden your hearts with good news of His kingdom; and the Blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

**PRESIDENT:** Go in peace and serve the Lord.

**ALL:** **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

## DAY BY DAY

Day by day,  
Dear lord, of these three things, I pray,  
To see thee more clearly,  
Love thee more dearly,  
Follow thee more nearly, day by day.

## RECESSIONAL HYMN

**CPWIH 672**

*O Jesus, I have promised*

O Jesus, I have promised  
to serve thee to the end;  
be thou for ever near me,  
my master and my friend;  
I shall not fear the battle  
if thou art by my side,  
nor wander from the pathway  
if thou wilt be my guide.

O let me feel thee near me:  
the world is ever near;  
I see the sights that dazzle,  
the tempting sounds I hear;  
my foes are ever near me,  
around me and within;  
but, Jesus, draw thou nearer,  
and shield my soul from sin.

O let me hear thee speaking  
in accents clear and still,  
above the storms of passion,  
the murmurs of self-will;  
O speak to re-assure me,  
to hasten or control;  
O speak, and make me listen,  
thou guardian of my soul.

O Jesus, thou hast promised  
to all who follow thee,  
that where thou art in glory  
there shall thy servant be;  
and, Jesus, I have promised  
to serve thee to the end;  
O give me grace to follow,  
my master and my friend.

O let me see thy footmarks,  
and in them plant mine own  
my hope to follow duly  
is in thy strength alone;  
O guide me, call me, draw me,  
uphold me to the end;  
and then in heaven receive me,  
my Saviour and my friend.

## **RECESSION AND ORGAN POSTLUDE**



Cherishing stars sang  
together in all the sons of  
God shouted for joy

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