

## The Great Thanksgiving

*The people remain standing.*

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

*People* **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

*The Celebrant continues:* It is right, and a good and joyful thing ... who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Prayer Book, p. 367

## Sanctus and Benedictus *(sung by all)*

*New Plainsong*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,  
 hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na  
 in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the  
 name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*All may kneel.*

*The Celebrant continues:*

We give thanks to you, O God, ... Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

*People* **We remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory;**

*Celebrant* And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving ... all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

*All* **Amen.**

*Celebrant* And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

*All* **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

## The Breaking of the Bread

### Fraction Anthem *(sung by all)*

*New Plainsong*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.  
 Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;  
 there - fore let us keep the feast. Al - le -  
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## The Communion of the People

*All who seek God, and are drawn to Christ, are welcome at his table.*

### At the Communion,

#### Hymn 86

O Savior of our fallen race

GONFALON ROYAL

#### Hymn 114

'Twas in the moon of wintertime

UNE JEUNE PUCELLE

*All may kneel.*

### Post-Communion Prayer *(Celebrant and people)*

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 honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

### The Blessing

*All may stand.*

#### Hymn 109, stz. 1-3, 6

The First Nowell

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### Dismissal

*Deacon* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

### Postlude

Noël sur les jeux d'anches

*Louis-Claude Daquin*  
(c.1694-1772)

(cc) indicates congregational choice hymn.

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# Church of the Heavenly Rest

Fifth Avenue at 90<sup>th</sup> Street in the City of New York

January 3, 2010

10:30 am

## Christmas II Holy Eucharist



*Children are welcome in all of our services. But if they wish, they are invited to line up for the procession at the back of the church just before 10:30 (look for the child's cross), or they can join the other children in procession as they are passing by your pew. They are led to the Children's Chapel for a simple service with child-friendly teaching. The children then return to their families in the church at the Peace where you can participate in the rest of the service together.*

## The Word of God

### Prelude

Pastorale, BWV 90

*J. S. Bach* (1685-1750)

*All may stand for the procession.*

### Hymn 124

What star is this, with beams so bright

PUER NOBIS

### Salutation and Collect for Purity

*Priest* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*People* **And blessed be God's Kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

*Priest* 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.

*People* **Amen.**

### Canticle – The Third Song of Isaiah *(sung by all)*

KINGSFOLD

1. Rise up and shine! Your light has come; God's glo - ry breaks like  
 2. Fling wide your gates, both day and night; No more keep watch or  
 3. No more will you im - plore the sun to shed by day its  
 dawn. For though the earth be cloaked in night and  
 guard. You will be called God's ho - ly hill, The  
 light, Nor will you need the change - ful moon to  
 gloom shrouds eve - ry - one, Yet ov - er you the  
 Ci - ty of the Lord. No sound of strife will  
 glis - ten through the night. Your glo - ry then will  
 Lord will rise, with glo - ry gleam - ing clear, Till  
 plague your land, Nor harm be - siege your ways; "Sal -  
 be your God, whose light will ne - ver cease. Rise  
 na - tions turn to seek your light and hum - bled kings draw near.  
 va - tion" will you name your walls, and all your por - tals "Praise".  
 up and shine! Your light has come To give you joy and peace.

## The Collect of the Day

*Priest* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Priest* Let us pray.

O God, who wonderfully created, and yet more wonderfully restored, the dignity of human nature: Grant that we may share the divine life of him who humbled himself to share our humanity, your Son Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

*People* **Amen.**

*All may sit.*

**The First Lesson** – Jeremiah 31:7-14

Lector: Euan Cameron

Thus says the LORD: Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob, and raise shouts for the chief of the nations; proclaim, give praise, and say, “Save, O LORD, your people, the remnant of Israel.” See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north, and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth, among them the blind and the lame, those with child and those in labor, together; a great company, they shall return here. With weeping they shall come, and with consolations I will lead them back, I will let them walk by brooks of water, in a straight path in which they shall not stumble; for I have become a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn. Hear the word of the LORD, O nations, and declare it in the coastlands far away; say, “He who scattered Israel will gather him, and will keep him as a shepherd a flock.” For the LORD has ransomed Jacob, and has redeemed him from hands too strong for him. They shall come and sing aloud on the height of Zion, and they shall be radiant over the goodness of the LORD, over the grain, the wine, and the oil, and over the young of the flock and the herd; their life shall become like a watered garden, and they shall never languish again. Then shall the young women rejoice in the dance, and the young men and the old shall be merry. I will turn their mourning into joy, I will comfort them, and give them gladness for sorrow. I will give the priests their fill of fatness, and my people shall be satisfied with my bounty, says the LORD.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

*(a moment of silence for reflection)*

**Psalm 84:1-8** *(sung by the choir)*

Anglican Chant: *Edward Hopkins*

How dear to me is your dwelling, O Lord of hosts!

My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the Lord; my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.

The sparrow has found her a house and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young;

by the side of your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.

Happy are they who dwell in your house! they will always be praising you.

Happy are the people whose strength is in you! whose hearts are set on the pilgrims’ way.

Those who go through the desolate valley will find it a place of springs, for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.

They will climb from height to height, and the God of gods will reveal himself in Zion.

Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer; hearken, O God of Jacob.

Behold our defender, O God; and look upon the face of your Anointed.

**The Second Lesson** – Ephesians 1:3-6,15-19a

Lector: Leif Wigren

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

*(a moment of silence for reflection)*

*All may stand.*

**Sequence Hymn 497**

WIE SHÖN LEUCHTET

How bright appears the Morning Star

**The Gospel** – Luke 2:41-52

*Gospeler* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke.

*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Now the parents of Jesus went to Jerusalem every year for the festival of the Passover. And when he was twelve years old, they went up as usual for the festival. When the festival was ended and they started to return, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem, but his parents did not know it. Assuming that he was in the group of travelers, they went a day’s journey. Then they started to look for him among their relatives and friends. When they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem to search for him. After three days they found him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers. When his parents saw him they were astonished; and his mother said to him, “Child, why have you treated us like this? Look, your father and I have been searching for you in great anxiety.” He said to them, “Why were you searching for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father’s house?” But they did not understand what he said to them. Then he went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them. His mother treasured all these things in her heart. And Jesus increased in wisdom and in years, and in divine and human favor.

*Gospeler* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

*All may sit.*

**The Sermon**

The Rev. James L. Burns

*All may stand.*

**The Nicene Creed** *(said by all)*

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:**

**by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;**

**he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son.**

**With the Father and the Son he is worshiped 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 of the People**

Prayer Book, p. 389

*Deacon* Let us pray for the Church and the world.

*All may kneel.*

*Intercessor* In peace, let us pray to the Lord, saying, “Lord, have mercy.”

*After each petition, the Intercessor says:*

We pray to you, O Lord.

*People* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Intercessor* Rejoicing in the fellowship ... and all our life to Christ our God.

*People* **To you, O Lord our God.**

*The Priest adds a concluding Doxology:*

For yours is the majesty, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, now and for ever.

*People* **Amen.**

**Confession of Sin and Absolution**

Prayer Book, p. 331

*Priest* Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

*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 neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

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

*People* **Amen.**

*All may stand.*

**The Peace**

*Priest* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Then the people may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

*The children return from Children’s Chapel at this time.*

*All may sit.*

**Announcements**

## The Holy Communion

**At the Offertory, Anthem**

*William Byrd* (1543–1623)

Hodie beata Virgo Maria puerum Jesum praesentavit in templo, et Simeon repletus Spiritu Sancto, accepit eum in ulnas suas, et benedixit Deum in aeternum.

*The blessed Virgin Mary brought her son Jesus to give thanks in the temple, and Simeon, filled with the Holy Spirit, received the child in his arms and blessed the Lord for ever, world without end.*

*All may stand.*

**At the Presentation, Hymn 112, stz. 1,4**

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