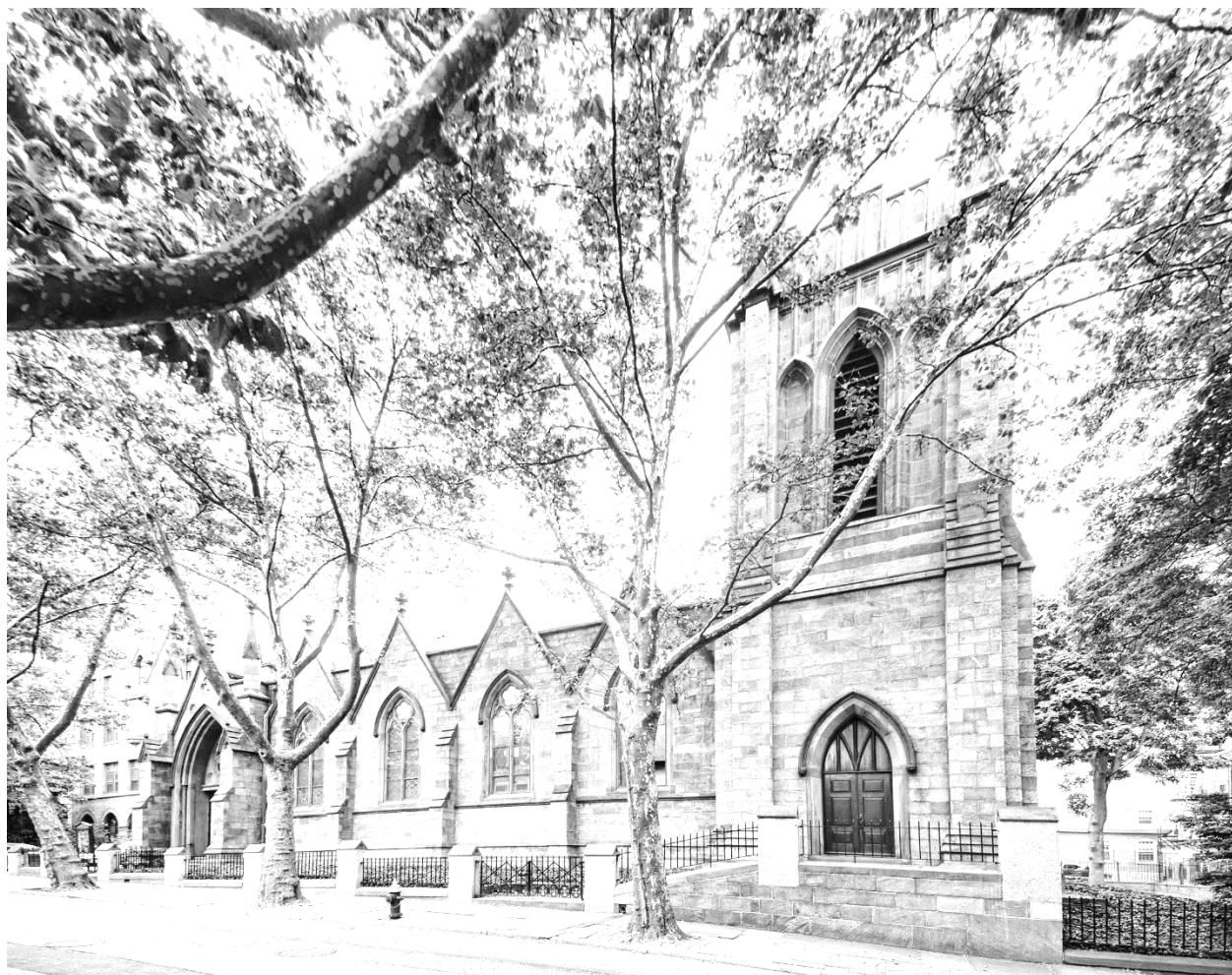


# SAINT STEPHEN'S CHURCH



FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST:  
TRINITY SUNDAY  
MAY 30<sup>TH</sup>, 2021

**Welcome to Saint Stephen's** – If you are new or visiting today, please know that we are so glad that you are here, and that you are welcome in this community of faith. Saint Stephen's Church is an Episcopal parish in the Diocese of Rhode Island and is part of the worldwide Anglican Communion. Located in the midst of Brown University, it serves the communities of Providence and beyond. S. Stephen's has stood within the Anglo-Catholic tradition since its founding, and so the Mass or the Eucharist is at the center of our common life, with ancient and timeless ceremonial used to draw attention to the Living God in our very midst. We strive to be a diverse community and come from many various backgrounds, while united in One Body through our Lord Jesus Christ.

*Fr. Benjamin*

*The Rev. Benjamin Straley, Rector*

## **THIS WEEK AT S. STEPHEN'S**

Saturday 5 June, 2:30-4:00 pm

Epiphany Soup Kitchen (Pickup Only)

### **LITURGICAL CALENDAR & SERVICE SCHEDULE**

Please note the new summer schedule for weekday masses, effective Memorial Day through Labor Day. No masses will be offered on Mondays, Wednesdays, or Fridays.

Tuesday 1 June

**Justin, Martyr at Rome, c. 167**

Noonday Prayer 12 noon

Low Mass 12:10 pm

Thursday 3 June

**The Martyrs of Uganda 1885-1887**

Noonday Prayer 12 noon

Low Mass 12:10 pm

Saturday 5 June

**Boniface, Archbishop of Mainz,  
Missionary & Martyr, 754**

Morning Prayer 9:30 am

Low Mass 10:00 am

Holy Rosary 10:30 am

Next Sunday, 6 June

**Corpus Christi Sunday**

Morning Prayer and Low Mass 8:00 am

Sung Mass & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament 10:00 am

Zoom Coffee Hour 11:30 am

# THE KALENDAR

S. Stephen's Church  
in Providence

TRINITY SUNDAY: *The First Sunday after Pentecost*

30 MAY 2021

**SUNG MASS & TE DEUM**

**10 AM**

*Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena*  
Healey Willan (1880 – 1968)

NOTE: *Please turn all cell phones, pagers, and similar devices off,  
or to silent mode, while you are in church.*

## THE OPENING RITE

**ORGAN VOLUNTARY** – *Prelude in the Lydian Mode*

Barrie Cabena (b. 1933)

**HYMN 362** – “Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!”

*Nicaea*

**INTROIT** – *Benedicta sit (please remain standing)*

Tone VII

Blessed be the Holy Trinity, and the undivided Unity: we will praise and glorify him, because he hath shewed his mercy upon us. *Ps.* O Lord our Governour: how excellent is thy Name in all the world. Glory be...Blessed be...

**OPENING ACCLAMATION**

*Hymnal S-76*

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

*People* And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

**COLLECT FOR PURITY**

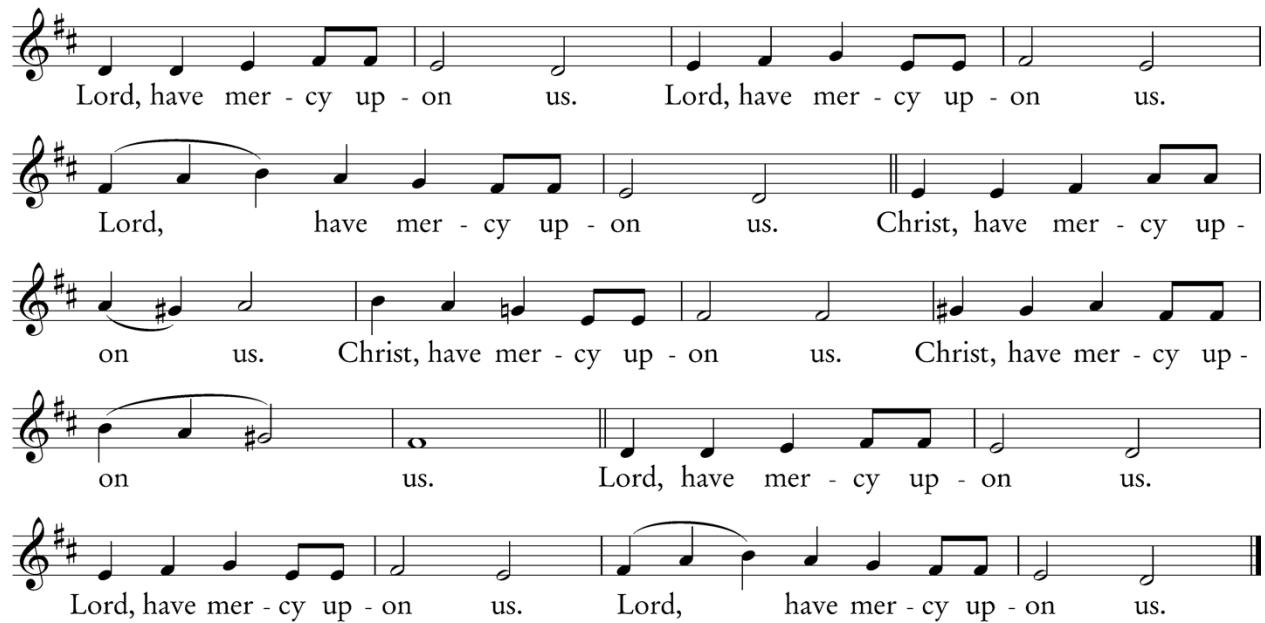
Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**SUMMARY OF THE LAW**

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

*Please remain standing as you are able.*

## KYRIE ELEISON



Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -

on us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -

on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

## GLORIA IN EXCELSIS



*Celebrant* *People*

Glo - ry be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards men.

We praise thee, we bless thee, we wor - ship thee, we glo - ri - fy

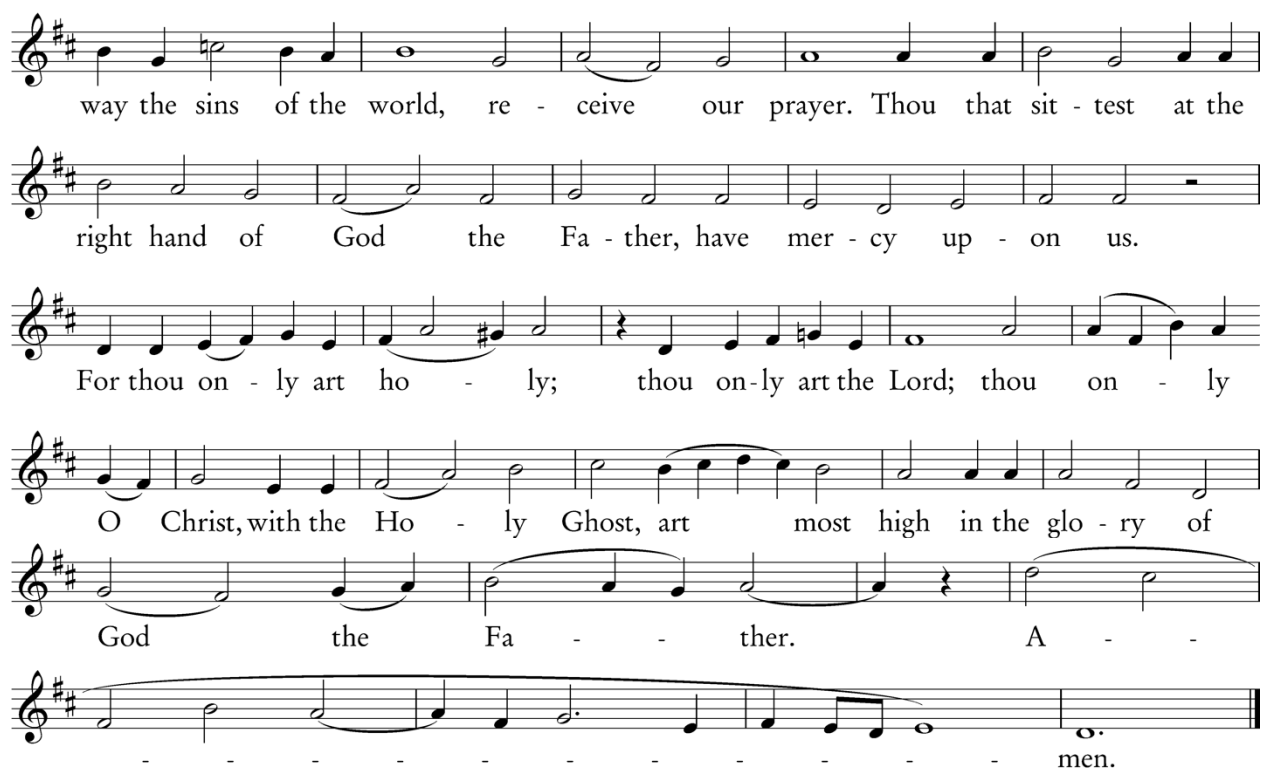
thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glo - ry, O Lord God,

heaven - ly King, God the Fa - ther Al - might - - - y.—

— O Lord, the on - ly be-got-ten Son, Je - sus Christ; O Lord God,

Lamb of God, Son of the Fa - ther, that ta - kest a - way the

sins of the world, have mer - cy up - on us. Thou that ta - kest a -



## COLLECT OF THE DAY (*Trinity Sunday*)

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And with thy spirit.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, who hast given unto us thy servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of the Divine Majesty to worship the Unity: We beseech thee that thou wouldest keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see thee in thy one and eternal glory, O Father; who with the Son and the Holy Spirit livest and reignest, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

### FIRST READING – Isaiah 6: 1-8 (*Please be seated*)

In the year that King Uzzi'ah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and his train filled the temple. Above him stood the seraphim; each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. And one called to another and said "Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory." And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!" Then flew one of the

seraphim to me, having in his hand a burning coal which he had taken with tongs from the altar. And he touched my mouth, and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin forgiven." And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" Then I said, "Here am I! Send me."

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

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

**GRADUAL** – *Benedictus es, Domine*

Tone V

Blessed art thou, O Lord, which beholdest the great deep: and sittest upon the Cherubim. *V.* Blessed art thou, O Lord, in the firmament of heaven: and above all to be praised and glorified forever.

**EPISTLE READING** – Romans 8: 12-17

So then, brethren, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh—for if you live according to the flesh you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the spirit of sonship. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is the Spirit himself bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

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

**ALLELUIA** – *Benedictus es, Domine (Please stand)*

Tone VI

Alleluia. **Alleluia.** *V.* Blessed art thou, O Lord God of our fathers: and worthy to be praised for evermore. **Alleluia.**

**THE HOLY GOSPEL** – John 3: 1-17

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And with thy spirit.**

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

*People* **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Now there was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do, unless God is with him." Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born anew, he cannot see the kingdom of God." Nicodemus said to him, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?" Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not marvel that I said to you, 'You must be born anew.' The wind blows where it wills, and you hear the sound

of it, but you do not know whence it comes or whither it goes; so it is with every one who is born of the Spirit.” Nicodemus said to him, “How can this be?” Jesus answered him, “Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand this? Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen; but you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven but he who descended from heaven, the Son of man. And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.” For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

*Celebrant* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* Praise be to thee, O Christ.

## SERMON

Fr. Straley

## THE NICENE CREED *(please stand)*

I believe in one God,  
the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
and of all things visible and invisible;

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of his Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father;  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation  
came down from heaven,  
*and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary,*  
*and was made man;*  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered and was buried;  
and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures,  
and ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth on the right hand of the Father;  
and he shall come again, with glory,  
to judge both the quick and the dead;  
whose kingdom shall have no end.

| *(Genuflect or  
bow)*

And I believe in the Holy Ghost the Lord, and Giver of Life,  
who proceedeth from the Father and the Son;



who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped  
and glorified;  
who spake by the Prophets.  
And I believe one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church;  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins;  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead,  
✠ and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE – FORM VI *(Please remain standing)*

In peace, we pray to thee, Lord God.

*Silence*

For all people in their daily life and work;  
**For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

For this community, the nation, and the world;  
**For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

For the just and proper use of thy creation;  
**For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;  
**For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;  
**For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

For Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael, our Presiding Bishop,  
and Nicholas, our Bishop; and for all bishops and other ministers;  
**For all who serve God in his Church.**

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation, remembering especially  
those who have commended themselves to our prayers.

*Silence*

Hear us, Lord;  
**For thy mercy is great.**

We thank thee, O Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

*Silence*

We will exalt thee, O God our King;  
**And praise thy Name for ever and ever.**

We pray for ✠ all who have died, that they may have a place in thine eternal kingdom.

*Silence*

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;  
**Who put their trust in thee.**

We pray to thee also for the forgiveness of our sins.



*Please kneel as you are able. Silence is kept.*

**Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;  
in thy compassion forgive us our sins,  
known and unknown,  
things done and left undone;  
and so uphold us by thy Spirit  
that we may live and serve thee in newness of life,  
to the honor and glory of thy Name;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## **ABSOLUTION**

*The Priest stands and says*

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, ✠ pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## **THE PEACE**

*Hymnal S-110*

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*People* **And with thy spirit.**

## **THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST**

### **OFFERTORY ANTIPHON – *Benedictus sit***

**Tone II**

Blessed be God the Father, and the only begotten Son of God; and blessed be the Holy Spirit: for the mercy he hath done unto us.

### **HYMN 368 – “Holy Father, great Creator”**

*Regent Square*

## **ORATE, FRATRES ET SORORES**

*Celebrant* Pray, brothers and sisters, that this my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God the Father Almighty.  
*People* **May the Lord receive this sacrifice at thy hands, to the praise and glory of his Name, both to our benefit and that of all his holy Church.**

## **SURSUM CORDA & PREFACE**

*Hymnal S-112*

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.  
*People* **And with thy spirit.**

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

*People* **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

*People* **It is meet and right so to do.**

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God. For with thy co-eternal Son and Holy Spirit, thou art one God, one Lord, in Trinity of Persons and in Unity of Substance; and we celebrate the one and equal glory of thee, O Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

## SANCTUS ET BENEDICTUS

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - - - ly, Lord God of Hosts:  
Hea - ven and earth are full of thy glo - ry. Glo - - ry be to  
thee, O Lord Most High. Bless - ed is he that com - eth  
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

## EUCHARISTIC PRAYER II *(Please kneel if you are able to do so)*

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take, eat,

THIS IS MY BODY,  
WHICH IS GIVEN FOR YOU.  
Do this in remembrance of me.”



Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, “Drink this, all of you;

FOR THIS IS MY BLOOD OF THE NEW COVENANT  
WHICH IS SHED FOR YOU, AND FOR MANY, FOR THE REMISSION OF SINS.

Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.”



Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy ✠ grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;

✠ By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen.**

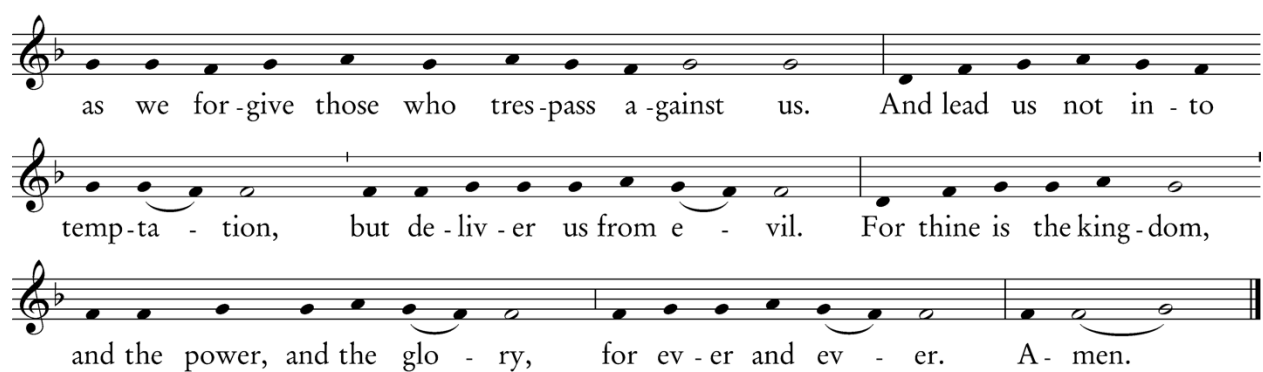
## THE LORD'S PRAYER

And now as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say

*People and Celebrant*

Our Fa-ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed be thy Name,  
thy king-dom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in hea - ven.  
Give us this day our dai - ly bread. And for-give us our tres - pas - ses,

The musical notation consists of three staves of music in a single system. Each staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The notes are primarily quarter and eighth notes, with some rests. The lyrics are written below the notes, aligned with the syllables. The first staff covers the first line of the prayer, the second staff covers the second line, and the third staff covers the third line.



## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.*

*Then is sung*

*Celebrant* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us:

*People* Therefore let us keep the feast.

## AGNUS DEI



## THE INVITATION – ECCE AGNUS DEI

*Celebrant* ☩ Behold the Lamb of God; behold him that taketh away the sins of the world.

*People* Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof: but speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed.

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON – *Data est mihi*

Tone I

All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth, alleluia: go ye and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, alleluia, alleluia.

## THE ADMINISTRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

*All who have been baptized with water in the Name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit are welcome and invited to receive Holy Communion. If you are not sure if you have been baptized, or would like to explore Baptism, please speak with the priest after mass.*

*Please follow the ushers' directions in approaching the crossing to receive communion. You must wear a face-covering when approaching and receiving communion from the celebrant. Communion will be distributed in one kind (bread) only. Thank you for your cooperation.*

## HYMN 324 – “Let all mortal flesh keep silence”

*Picardy*

## THE CLOSING RITE

*Please kneel if you are able.*

## POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

*Please remain kneeling.*

## BLESSING FOR TRINITY SUNDAY

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And with thy spirit.**

May God the Holy Trinity make you strong in faith and love, defend you on every side, and guide you in truth and peace; and the blessing of God Almighty, ✠ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

## DISMISSAL *(Please stand)*

*Celebrant* Let us bless the Lord.

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

*Please remain standing as the Choir sings the Church's great hymn of thanksgiving glorifying the Triune God on this Solemnity of Trinity Sunday.*

## SOLEMN TE DEUM

### TE DEUM IN G

John Cook (1918 – 1984)

We praise Thee, O God: we acknowledge Thee to be the Lord. All the earth doth worship Thee, the Father everlasting. To Thee all Angels cry aloud: the Heavens, and all the powers therein: To Thee Cherubim and Seraphim continually do cry, Holy! Holy! Holy! Lord God of Sabaoth; Heaven and earth are full of the Majesty of Thy glory. The glorious company of the Apostles praise Thee. The goodly fellowship of the Prophets praise Thee. The noble army of Martyrs praise Thee. The Holy Church throughout all the world doth acknowledge Thee; The Father of an infinite majesty; Thine honourable, true, and only Son; Also the Holy Ghost: the Comforter. Thou art the King of Glory: O Christ. Thou art the everlasting Son of the Father. When Thou tookest upon Thee to deliver man, Thou didst not abhor the Virgin's womb. When Thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death, Thou didst open the Kingdom of Heav'n to all believers. Thou sittest at the right hand of God: in the glory of the Father. We believe that Thou shalt come to be our judge. *We therefore pray* *here*  
*genuflect*  
*Thee, help Thy servants: whom Thou hast redeemed with Thy precious blood.* Make them to be numbered with Thy Saints: in glory everlasting.

*Celebrant* O Lord save Thy people and bless thine heritage

*People* **Govern them and lift them up for ever.**

*Celebrant* Day by day we magnify Thee;

*People* **and we worship Thy Name, ever world without end.**

*Celebrant* Vouchsafe O Lord to keep us this day without sin,

*People* **O Lord, have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us,**

*Celebrant* O Lord, let Thy mercy lighten upon us, as our trust is in Thee.

*People* **O Lord, in Thee have I trusted, Let me never be confounded.**

## FOR YOUR PRAYERS

**Prayers have been requested for:** Charles Calverley, Sandra Calverley, Lola Campagna, Ruby Campagna, Fr. Norman Catir, Diana Clarke, Sarah Clarke, Ernie Drew, Fr. Harrington Gordon, Joan Gordon, Richard Hogarth, Fr. Jay C. James, Conrad Johnson, Jane Malone, Ann Brooke Mason, Beverly Myers, Rhoda Steinhart, Fr. Benjamin, and Christopher Whittingham.

**Birthdays this week:** Conrad Johnson (6/4)

**The faithful departed:** *Year's mind:* Philip J. Geogan, Priest (5/30), William Justice Cowperthwaite (6/1), Rosamond Hine (6/3), Cameron Duke Stebbins (6/4).

**Anglican Cycle of Prayer:** In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we are asked to pray for La Iglesia Anglicana de Mexico. In the **Diocesan Cycle of Prayer**, we are asked to pray for Trinity, Cranston; Trinity, Newport; Trinity, North Scituate; Holy Trinity, Tiverton; and for those who have died in service to our country.

## GIVING TO S. STEPHEN'S

You can mail your pledge card back to the church office, leave it in the offering plate at the back of the church on Sunday, or pledge online ([ssteophens.org/donate](http://ssteophens.org/donate)). Thank you for all the many ways in which you are already supporting S. Stephen's.



### WELCOME TO S. STEPHEN'S CHURCH

If you would like to be included on our general mailing list, please fill out this form and put it in the offering plate, or hand it to an usher after the Mass.

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