

The Ordination of
Kathleen (Kit) Wang

to the Sacred Order of Deacons

St. George's Episcopal Church, York Harbor, Maine

June 14, 2008

Celebrant: The Rt. Rev. Chilton R. Knudsen, Bishop of Maine

✠ THE ORDINATION OF A DEACON ✠

Prelude: *Cradle Me Lord / Be Thou My Vision*

All stand, as able, and sing the Opening Hymn

The Opening Hymn: *I Bind unto Myself Today*



1. I bind un - to my - self to - day the strong Name



of the Trin - i - ty, by in - vo - ca - tion



of the same, the Three in One, and One in Three.



2. I bind this day to me for ev - er, by power of
 *3. I bind un - to my - self the power of the great
 *4. I bind un - to my - self to - day the vir - tues
 *5. I bind un - to mys - elf to - day the power of



faith, Christ's In - car - na - tion; his bap - tism in the
 love of cher - u - bim; the sweet "Well done" in
 of the star - lit heaven the glo - rious sun's life -
 God to hold and lead, his eye to watch, his



Jor - dan riv - er; his death on cross for my sal - va - tion;
 judg - ment hour; the ser - vice of the ser - a - phim;
 giv - ing ray, the white - ness of the moon at even,
 might to stay, his ear to heark - en, to my need;



his burst - ing from the spic - ed tomb; his rid - ing
 con - fess - ors' faith, a - pos - tles' word, the pa - triarchs'
 the flash - ing of the light - ning free, the whirl - ing
 the wis - dom of my God to teach, his hand to

up the heaven - ly way; his com - ing at the
 prayers, the pro - phets' scrolls; all good deeds done un -
 wind's tem - pes - tuous shocks, the sta - ble earth, the
 guide, his shield to ward; the word of God to

day of doom: I bind un - to my - self to - day.
 to the Lord, and pu - ri - ty of vir - gin souls.
 deep salt sea, a - round the old e - ter - nal rocks.
 give me speech, his heaven - ly host to be my guard.

*6. Christ be with me, Christ with - in me, Christ be - hind me,
 Christ be - neath me, Christ a - bove me, Christ in qui - et,

Christ be - fore me, Christ be - side me, Christ to
 Christ in dan - ger, Christ in hearts of all that

win me, Christ to com - fort and re - store me,
 love me, Christ in mouth of friend and stran - ger.



7. I bind un - to my - self the Name, the strong Name
of the Trin - i - ty, by in - vo - ca - tion
of the same, the Three in One, and One in Three.
Of whom all na - ture hath cre - a - tion, e - ter - nal
Fa - ther, Spi - rit, Word: praise to the Lord of
my sal - va - tion, sal - va - tion is of Christ the Lord.

Music: *Saint Patrick's Breastplate*

Text: *attributed to Saint Patrick (372-466); tr. Cecil Fances Alexander (1818-1895)*

Bishop Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People ***And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.***

Bishop 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 PRESENTATION ✠

The Bishop and people sit. A priest and a layperson, and additional presenters if desired, standing before the bishop, present the ordinand, saying

Presenters Chilton, Bishop in the Church of God, on behalf of the clergy and people of the Diocese of
Maine, we present to you Kathleen Wang to be ordained a deacon in Christ's holy catholic
Church.

Bishop Has she been selected in accordance with the canons of this Church? And do you believe her
manner of life to be suitable to the exercise of this ministry?

Presenters We certify to you that she has satisfied the requirements of the canons, and we believe her to
be qualified for this order.

The Bishop says to the ordinand

Will you be loyal to the doctrine, discipline, and worship of Christ as this Church has received them? And will you, in accordance with the canons of this Church, obey your bishop and other ministers who may have authority over you and your work?

Ordinand

I am willing and ready to do so; and I solemnly declare that I do believe the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the Word of God, and to contain all things necessary to salvation; and I do solemnly engage to conform to the doctrine, discipline, and worship of the Episcopal Church.

The ordinand then signs the above declaration in the sight of all present. All stand, as able.

The Bishop says to the people

Dear friends in Christ, you know the importance of this ministry, and the weight of your responsibility in presenting Kit for ordination to the sacred order of deacons. Therefore if any of you know any impediment or crime because of which we should not proceed, come forward now, and make it known.

If no objection is made, the Bishop continues

Bishop Is it your will that Kit be ordained a deacon?

People **It is.**

Bishop Will you uphold her in this ministry?

People **We will.**

✠ THE LITANY FOR ORDINATIONS ✠

The Bishop then calls the people to prayer

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

Cantor *People*
God the Fa - ther, Have mer - cy on us.

Cantor *People*
God the Son, Have mer - cy on us.

Cantor *People*
God the Holy Spir - it, Have mer - cy on us.

Cantor *People*
Holy Trini - ty, one God, Have mer - cy on us.

Cantor *People*
We pray to you, Lord Christ. Lord, hear our prayer.

Cantor
For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault at the Day of your Coming,

People
we pray to you, O Lord. Lord, hear our prayer.

Litanist For all members of your Church in their vocation and ministry, that they may serve you in a true and godly life, we pray to you, O Lord.

People ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Litanist For Katharine, our Presiding Bishop, Chilton, our Bishop, Stephen, our Bishop Coadjutor and for all bishops, priests, and deacons, that they may be filled with your love, may hunger for truth, and may thirst after righteousness, we pray to you, O Lord.

People ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Litanist For Kit, chosen deacon in your Church, we pray to you, O Lord.

People ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Litanist That she may faithfully fulfill the duties of this ministry, build up your Church, and glorify your Name, we pray to you, O Lord.

People ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Litanist That by the indwelling of the Holy Spirit she may be sustained and encouraged to persevere to the end, we pray to you, O Lord.

People ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Litanist For her family, that they may be adorned with all Christian virtues, we pray to you, O Lord.

People ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Litanist For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease and that all may be one as you and the Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord.

People ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Litanist For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, O Lord.

People ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Litanist For those who do not yet believe, and for those who have lost their faith, that they may receive the light of the Gospel, we pray to you, O Lord.

People ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Litanist For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, O Lord.

People ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Litanist For those in positions of public trust, that they may serve justice and promote the dignity and freedom of every person, we pray to you, O Lord.

People ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Litanist For a blessing upon all human labor, and for the right use of the riches of creation, that the world may be freed from poverty, famine, and disaster, we pray to you, O Lord.

People ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Litanist For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O Lord.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Litanist For ourselves; for the forgiveness of our sins, and for the grace of the Holy Spirit to amend our lives, we pray to you, O Lord.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Litanist For all who have died in the communion of your Church, and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray to you, O Lord.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Litanist Rejoicing in the fellowship of the ever-blessed Virgin Mary, Evelyn Underhill, blessed George and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God.

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

Litanist Lord, have mercy.

People **Christ, have mercy.**

Litanist Lord, have mercy.

Bishop Let us pray.

O God of unchangeable power and eternal light: Look favorably on your whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery; by the effectual working of your providence, carry out in tranquillity 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 their 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. **Amen.**

✠ THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD ✠

Old Testament Lesson: Wisdom 7:24-8:1

(Read by Ms. Nina S. Pedersen)

Reader A Reading from Wisdom

For wisdom is more mobile than any motion; because of her pureness she pervades and penetrates all things. For she is a breath of the power of God, and a pure emanation of the glory of the Almighty; therefore nothing defiled gains entrance into her. For she is a reflection of eternal light, a spotless mirror of the working of God, and an image of his goodness. Although she is but one, she can do all things, and while remaining in herself, she renews all things; in every generation she passes into holy souls and makes them friends of God, and prophets; for God loves nothing so much as the person who lives with wisdom. She is more beautiful than the sun, and excels every constellation of the stars. Compared with the light she is found to be superior, for it is succeeded by the night, but against wisdom evil does not prevail. She reaches mightily from one end of the earth to the other, and she orders all things well.

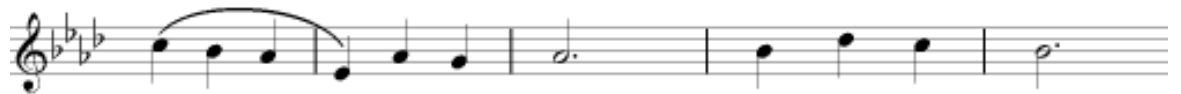
Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn: 412, Earth and all stars



1 Earth and all stars, loud rush - ing plan - ets, sing to the
 2 Hail, wind, and rain, loud blow - ing snow - storms, sing to the
 3 Trum - pet and pipes, loud clash - ing cym - bals, sing to the
 4 En - gines and steel, loud pound - ing ham - mers, sing to the
 5 Class - rooms and labs, loud boil - ing test - tubes, sing to the
 6 Know - ledge and truth, loud sound - ing wis - dom, sing to the



1 Lord _____ a new song! O vic - to - ry,
 2 Lord _____ a new song! Flow - ers and trees,
 3 Lord _____ a new song! Harp, lute, and lyre,
 4 Lord _____ a new song! Lime - stone and beams,
 5 Lord _____ a new song! Ath - lete and band,
 6 Lord _____ a new song! Daugh - ter and son,



1 loud shout - ing ar - my, sing to the Lord _____ a new song!
 2 loud rus - tling dry leaves, sing to the Lord _____ a new song!
 3 loud hum - ming cel - los, sing to the Lord _____ a new song!
 4 loud build - ing work - ers, sing to the Lord _____ a new song!
 5 loud cheer - ing peo - ple, sing to the Lord _____ a new song!
 6 loud pray - ing mem - bers, sing to the Lord _____ a new song!



Refrain
 He hath done mar - vel - ous things.



I, too, will praise him with a new song!

Words: Herbert F. Brokering (b. 1926)

Music: *Earth and All Stars* David N. Johnson (b. 1922)

New Testament Reading: 2 Corinthians 4:1-6

(Read by Mr. Thomas Beecher)

Reader

A Reading from 2 Corinthians

Since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. We have renounced the shameful things that one hides; we refuse to practice cunning or to falsify God's word; but by the open statement of the truth we commend ourselves to the conscience of every one in the sight of God. And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from

seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn: Halle, halle, hallelujah!

Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah!

Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah!
Hal - le - lu - jah!

Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah!

Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah!

Words and Melody: Traditional Caribbean. Arr. Mark Sedio (B. 1954)
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Gospel: John 4:19-24

(Read by The Rev. Aaron Perkins)

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

The woman said to him, 'Sir, I see that you are a prophet. Our ancestors worshipped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem.' Jesus said to her, 'Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.'

Reader The Gospel of the Lord.
People *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

The Sermon

The Rev. Paige M. Blair

The Nicene Creed

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 EXAMINATION ✠

All are seated except the ordinand, who stand before the Bishop.

Bishop My sister, every Christian is called to follow Jesus Christ, serving God, through the power of the Holy Spirit. God now calls you to a special ministry of servanthood directly under your bishop. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are to serve all people, particularly the poor, the weak, the sick, and the lonely. As a deacon in the Church, you are to study the Holy Scriptures, to seek nourishment

from them, and to model your life upon them. You are to make Christ and his redemptive love known, by your word and example, to those among whom you live, and work, and worship. You are to interpret to the Church the needs, concerns, and hopes of the world. You are to assist the bishop and priests in public worship and in the ministration of God's Word and Sacraments, and you are to carry out other duties assigned to you from time to time. At all times, your life and teaching are to show Christ's people that in serving the helpless they are serving Christ himself. My sister, do you believe that you are truly called by God and his Church to the life and work of a deacon?

Ordinand

I believe I am so called.

Bishop

Do you now in the presence of the Church commit yourself to this trust and responsibility?

Ordinand

I do.

Bishop

Will you be guided by the pastoral direction and leadership of your bishop?

Ordinand

I will.

Bishop

Will you be faithful in prayer, and in the reading and study of the Holy Scriptures?

Ordinand

I will.

Bishop

Will you look for Christ in all others, being ready to help and serve those in need?

Ordinand

I will.

Bishop

Will you do your best to pattern your life in accordance with the teachings of Christ, so that you may be a wholesome example to all people?

Ordinand

I will.

Bishop

Will you in all things seek not your glory but the glory of the Lord Christ?

Ordinand

I will.

Bishop

May the Lord by his grace uphold you in the service he lays upon you.

Ordinand

Amen.




✠ THE CONSECRATION OF THE DEACON ✠

Hymn: 503, *Come Holy Ghost*

All stand as able, except the ordinand, who kneels facing the Bishop, and the presbyters, who stand to the right and left of the Bishop.
The hymn is sung. The congregation sings the parts labeled "All" and the Cantor sings his part.

Cantor



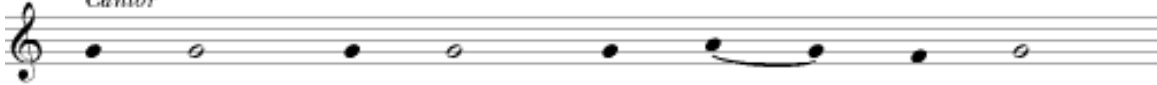
1 Come, Ho - ly Ghost, our souls in - spire,
2 Thou the a - noint - ing Spi - rit art,
3 Thy bless - ed unc - tion from a - bove

All



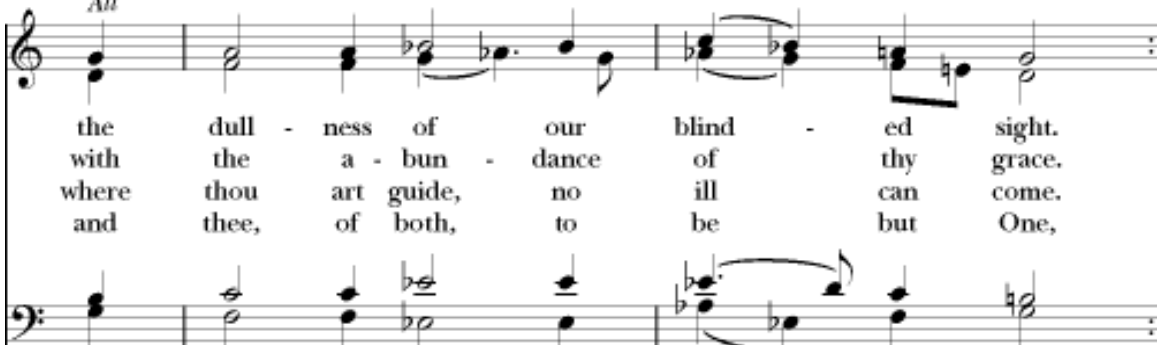
and light - en with ce - les - tial fire.
who dost thy seven - fold gifts im - part.
is com - fort, life, and fire of love.

Cantor



4 En - a - ble with per - pet - ual light
5 A - noint and cheer our soil - ed face
6 Keep far our foes, give peace at home:
7 Teach us to know the Fa - ther, Son,

All



the dull - ness of our blind - ed sight.
with the a - bun - dance of thy grace.
where thou art guide, no ill can come.
and thee, of both, to be but One,

Cantor

8 that through the a - ges all a - long,

All

this may be our end - less song:

Cantor

9 praise to thy e - ter - nal mer - it,

All

Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit.

Words: Latin, 9th cent.; tr. John Cosin (1594-1672); para. of *Veni Creator Spiritus*.
 Music: *Come Holy Ghost*, John Henry Hopkins, Jr. (1820-1891)); adapt. and harm. David Hurd (b. 1950)

A period of silent prayer follows, the people still standing. The Bishop then says this Prayer of Consecration

O, most merciful God, we praise you for sending your Son Jesus Christ, who took on himself the form of a servant, and humbled himself, becoming obedient even to death on the cross. We praise you that you have highly exalted him, and made him Lord of all; and that, through him, we know that whoever would be great must be servant of all. We praise you for the many ministries in your Church, and for calling this your servant to the order of deacons.

Here the Bishop lays hands upon the head of the ordinand and prays

Therefore, God, through Jesus Christ your Son, give your Holy Spirit to Kit; fill her with grace and power, and make her a deacon in your Church.

The Bishop then continues

Make her, O Lord, modest and humble, strong and constant, to observe the discipline of Christ. Let her life and teaching so reflect your commandments, that through her many may come to know you and love you. As your Son came not to be served but to serve, may this deacon share in Christ's service, and come to the unending glory of him who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever.

The People (in a loud voice) respond: AMEN

The new deacon is now vested according to the order of deacons.

The Bishop then gives a Bible to the newly ordained, saying

Receive this Bible as the sign of your authority to proclaim God's Word and to assist in the ministrations of his holy Sacraments.

The Peace

Bishop The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People *And also with you.*

✠ THE HOLY EUCHARIST ✠

This afternoon's offering will be used to found the new deacon's discretionary fund.

Offertory Anthem: *Let All the World in Every Corner Sing*—Robert S. Baker

St. George's Parish Choir

Let all the world in every corner sing, my God and King!

The heavens are not too high, his praise may thither fly; the earth is not too low, his praises there may grow.

The Church with psalms must shout, no door can keep them out; but, above all, the heart must bear the longest part.

Words by George Herbert

Offertory Hymn: WLP 780, *Lord, you give the great commission*

1. Lord, you give the great com - mis - sion: "Heal the
2. Lord, you call us to your ser - vice: "In my
3. Lord, you make the com - mon ho - ly: "This my
4. Lord, you show us love's true mea - sure: "Fa - ther,
5. Lord, you bless with words as - sur - ing; "I am

sick and preach the word." Lest the church ne -
name bap - tize and teach." That the world may
bod - y, this my blood." Let us all, for
what they do, for - give." Yet we hoard as
with you to the end." Faith and hope and

glect its mis - sion, and the gos - pel go un -
 trust your prom - ise, life a - bun - dant meant for
 earth's true glo - ry, dai - ly lift life heav - en -
 pri - vate trea - sure all that you so free - ly
 love re - stor - ing, may we serve as you in -

heard, help us wit - ness to your pur - pose
 each, give us all new fer - vor, draw us
 ward, ask - ing that the world a - round us
 give. May your care and mer - cy lead us
 tend and, a - mid the cares that claim us,

Refrain

with re - newed in - teg - ri - ty. }
 clos - er in com - mun - i - ty. } With the Spir - it's
 share your chil - dren's lib - er - ty.
 to a just so - ci - e - ty.
 hold in mind e - ter - ni - ty.

gifts em - power us for the work of min - is - try.

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The Bishop goes to the table and begins the Great Thanksgiving.

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 our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

People **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Celebrant At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

People **By your will they were created and have their being.**

Celebrant From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the stewards of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

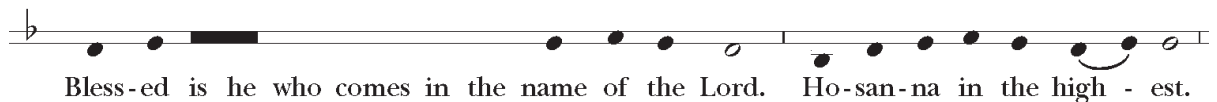
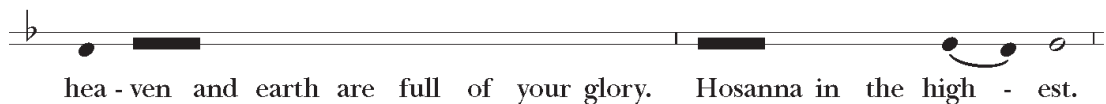
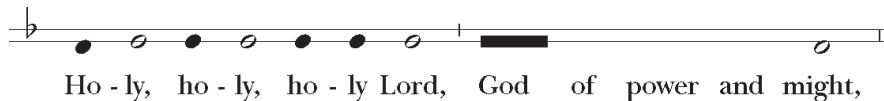
People **Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.**

Celebrant Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

People **By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.**

Celebrant And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Sanctus: *Sanctus and Benedictus es—Howard E. Galley*



Celebrant And so, Almighty God, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, 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."

People Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,
We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Celebrant Lord God of our ancestors; God of Abraham, Sarah and Hagar, God of Isaac and Rebecca, God of Jacob, Rachel and Leah; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

People ***Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.***

Celebrant Accept these prayers and praises, Almighty God, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

All ***Our Father, in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as it is 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 for ever. Amen.***

The Breaking of the Bread

All are welcome at God's table.

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

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People ***Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.***

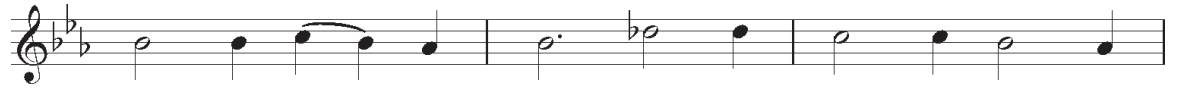
Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving. This is God's table and all are welcome.

The Worship Leaders receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.

Communion Hymn: 487, *Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life*



1 Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life: such a
 2 Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength: such a
 3 Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart: such a



way as gives us breath; such a truth as ends all
 light as shows a feast; such a feast as mends in
 joy as none can move; such a love as none can



strife; such a life as kill - eth death.
 length; such a strength as makes his guest.
 part; such a heart as joys in love.

Words: George Herbert (1593-1633); Music: *The Call*, Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)
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Communion Hymn: 314, *Humbly I adore thee*



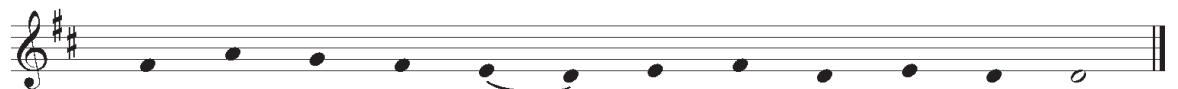
1 Hum - bly I a - dore thee, Ver - i - ty un - seen,
 2 Taste and touch and vi - sion to dis - cern thee fail;
 3 O me - mo - rial won - drous of the Lord's own death;
 4 Je - sus, whom now hid - den, I by faith be - hold,



who thy glo - ry hid - est 'neath these sha - dows mean;
 faith, that comes by hear - ing, pierc - es through the veil.
 liv - ing Bread that giv - est all thy crea - tures breath,
 what my soul doth long for, that thy word fore - told:



lo, to thee sur - ren - dered, my whole heart is bowed,
 I be - lieve what - e'er the Son of God hath told;
 grant my spi - rit ev - er by thy life may live,
 face to face thy splen - dor, I at last shall see,



tranced as it be - holds thee, shrined with - in the cloud.
 what the Truth hath spo - ken, that for truth I hold.
 to my taste thy sweet - ness nev - er - fail - ing give.
 in the glo - rious vi - sion, bless - ed Lord, of thee.

Words: Att. Thomas Aquinas (1225?-1274); sts. 1-3, tr. *Hymnal* 1940; st. 4, tr. *Hymnal* 1982
 Music: *Adoro devote*, French church melody, Mode 5, *Processionale*, 1697.

After Communion

Celebrant

Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the holy food of the Body and Blood of your Son, and for uniting us through him in the fellowship of your Holy Spirit. We thank you for raising up among us faithful servants for the ministry of your Word and Sacraments. We pray that Kit may be to us an effective example in word and action, in love and patience, and in holiness of life. Grant that we, with her, may serve you now, and always rejoice in your glory; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Bishop blesses the people

Closing Hymn: WLP 784, Hallelujah! We sing your praises!

Hal - le - lu - jah! We sing your prais - es! All our
Ha - le - lu - ya! Pe - lo tsa ro - na, di tha -

hearts are filled with glad - ness! Hal - le - lu - jah! We sing your
bi - le ka - o - fe - la. Ha - le - lu - ya! Pe - lo tsa

prais - es! All our hearts are filled with glad - ness!
ro - na, di tha - bi - le ka - o - fe - la. **Fine**

Christ the Lord to us said: "I am wine, I am bread, I am
Je - sus says to us still: "All who do the Lord's will, all who

wine, I am bread, give to all who thirst and hun - ger!"
do the Lord's will are my sis - ters and my bro - thers." **D.C.**

Words: South African; Music: Halleluya! Pelo tso rona, South African © 1984 Utryck, admin. Walton Music Corporation.

Dismissal

The Rev. Kit Wang

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People

Thanks be to God.

Postlude: Soon and Very Soon—arr. Jack Schrader

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Vesters	Ms. Mary Martin, Ms. Jean Tucker. Kit's stole was hand woven by the Rev. Marie B. (Mickie) Bent of Portland, Maine, and was given to Kit on her college graduation.
Flower Guild	Ms. Jean Lincoln, Ms. Cindy Perkins
Altar Guild	Ms. Marjorie Esau, Ms. Jan Johnson, Ms. Cindy Perkins, Ms. Claire Woodward
Bread	Ms. Susan Wilson & Laura Wilson. Baked according to the recipe used by the Society of St. John the Evangelist, Cambridge and West Newbury, MA
Anthem	Thanks to Rebecca Wexler of the Institute of Sacred Music at the Yale Divinity School

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