

**St. Stephen's Anglican Church**  
A parish of the Reformed Episcopal Church (A.C.N.A.)  
Founded 1986



*The Fourth Sunday after Easter*

The 10<sup>th</sup> day of May, A.D. 2020  
Service of Morning Prayer, 9:00 a.m.  
Broadcast Booklet

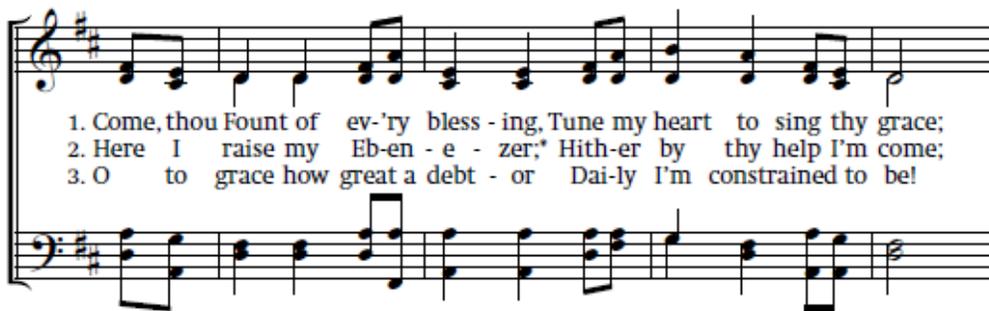


THE ORDER FOR  
DAILY MORNING PRAYER.

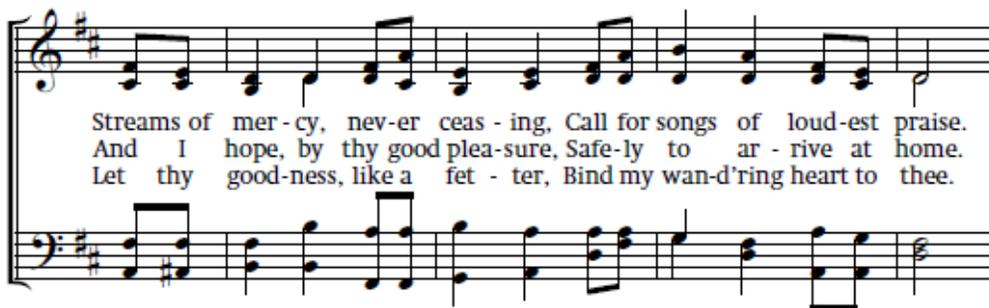
*PRELUDE*

The Rev. Mr. Calvin Basil

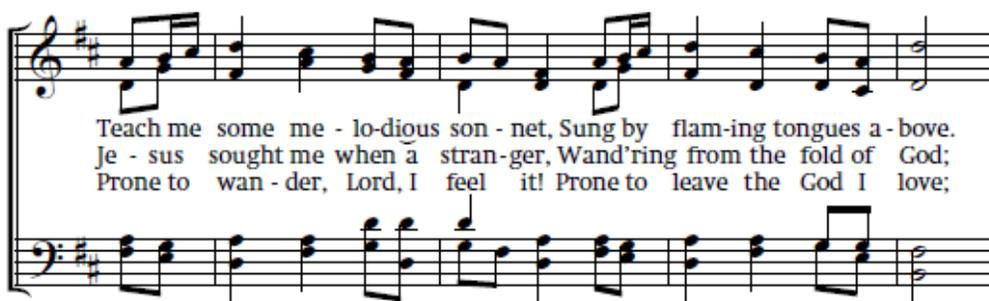
*OPENING HYMN.*



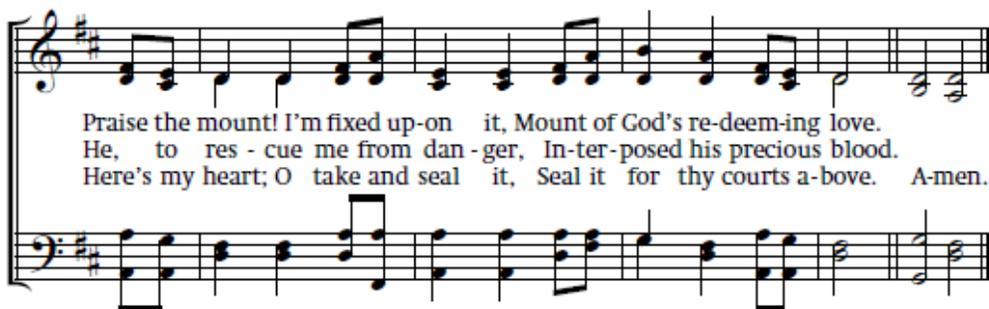
1. Come, thou Fount of ev-'ry bless - ing, Tune my heart to sing thy grace;  
2. Here I raise my Eb-en - e - zer,\* Hith-er by thy help I'm come;  
3. O to grace how great a debt - or Dai-ly I'm constrained to be!



Streams of mer - cy, nev-er ceas - ing, Call for songs of loud-est praise.  
And I hope, by thy good plea-sure, Safe-ly to ar - rive at home.  
Let thy good-ness, like a fet - ter, Bind my wan-d'ring heart to thee.



Teach me some me - lo-dious son - net, Sung by flam-ing tongues a - bove.  
Je - sus sought me when a stran-ger, Wand'ring from the fold of God;  
Prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it! Prone to leave the God I love;



Praise the mount! I'm fixed up-on it, Mount of God's re-deem-ing love.  
He, to res - cue me from dan - ger, In-ter-posed his precious blood.  
Here's my heart; O take and seal it, Seal it for thy courts a-bove. A-men.

## OPENING SENTENCES.

He is risen. The Lord is risen indeed. St. Mark xvi. 6; St. Luke xxiv. 34.

This is the day which the LORD hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.  
Psalm cxviii. 24.

*¶ Then the Minister shall say,*

**D**EARLY beloved brethren, the Scripture moveth us, in sundry places, to acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness; and that we should not dissemble nor cloak them before the face of Almighty God our heavenly Father; but confess them with an humble, lowly, penitent, and obedient heart; to the end that we may obtain forgiveness of the same, by his infinite goodness and mercy. And although we ought, at all times, humbly to acknowledge our sins before God; yet ought we chiefly so to do, when we assemble and meet together to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at his hands, to set forth his most worthy praise, to hear his most holy Word, and to ask those things which are requisite and necessary, as well for the body as the soul. Wherefore I pray and beseech you, as many as are here present, to accompany me with a pure heart, and humble voice, unto the throne of the heavenly grace, saying—

## A GENERAL CONFESSION.

*¶ To be said by the whole Congregation. after the Minister, all kneeling.*

**A**Lmighty and most merciful Father; We have erred, and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against thy holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; And we have done those things which we ought not to have done; And there is no health in us. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare thou those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore thou those who are penitent; According to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake; That we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, To the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

*THE DECLARATION OF ABSOLUTION, OR REMISSION OF SINS.*

¶ *To be made by the Priest alone, standing; the People still kneeling.*

ALMIGHTY God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who desireth not the death of a sinner, but rather that he may turn from his wickedness and live, hath given power, and commandment, to his Ministers, to declare and pronounce to his people, being penitent, the Absolution and Remission of their sins. He pardoneth and absolveth all those who truly repent, and unfeignedly believe his holy Gospel.

Wherefore let us beseech him to grant us true repentance, and his Holy Spirit, that those things may please him which we do at this present; and that the rest of our life hereafter may be pure and holy; so that at the last we may come to his eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then the Minister shall kneel, and say the Lord's Prayer; the People still kneeling, and repeating it with him both here, and wheresoever else it is used in Divine Service.*

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.*

¶ *Then likewise he shall say,*

*Minister.* O Lord, open thou our lips.

*Answer.* And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

¶ *Here, all standing up, the Minister shall say,*

*Minister.* Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

*Answer.* As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. *Amen.*

*Minister.* Praise ye the Lord.

*Answer.* The Lord's Name be praised.

¶ *Then shall be said or sung the following Canticle; except on those days for which other Canticles are appointed; and except also, that Psalm 95 may be used in this place.*

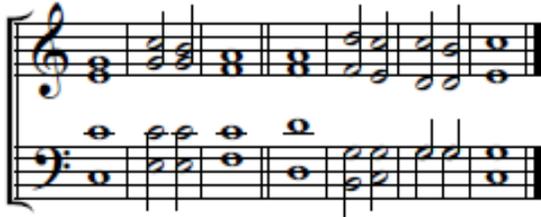
¶ *Hymn # 647*

# Venite, exultemus Domino

from Psalms 95 and 96

647

R. Goodson



Easter Monday until  
Ascension Day

Alleluia. The Lord is | risen · indeed;  
\* O come, let us adore him. | AlleLUia.

- O COME, let us sing | unto · the LORD;  
\* let us heartily rejoice in the strength of | our salVation.
- 2 Let us come before his presence with | THANKSgiving;  
\* and show ourselves | glad in him with psalms.
- 3 For the LORD is a | GREAT God;  
\* and a great | King above all gods.
- 4 In his hand are all the corners | of the earth;  
\* and the strength of the hills is | HIS ALso.
- 5 The sea is | his, and · he made it;  
\* and his hands pre|pared the DRY land.
- 6 O come, let us worship and | FALL down,  
\* and kneel before the | LORD our MAKer.
- 7 For he is the | Lord our God;  
\* and we are the people of his pasture, and the | sheep of HIS hand.
- 8 O worship the LORD in the | beauty · of holiness;  
\* let the whole earth | stand in awe of him.
- 9 For he cometh, for he cometh to | judge the earth;  
\* and with righteousness to judge the world,  
and the | peoples with his truth.
- Glory be to the Father, and | to the Son,  
\* and | to the Holy Ghost;
- As it was in the beginning, is now, and | ever shall be,  
\* world without | END. **A**men.

¶ *Then shall follow a Portion of the PSALMS, according to the Use of this Church. And at the end of every Psalm, and likewise at the end of the Venite, Benedictus es, Benedictus, Jubilate, may be, and at the end of the whole Portion, or Selection from the Psalter, shall be, sung or said the Gloria Patri:*

Psalm 116. *Dilexi, quoniam.*

MY delight is in the LORD; \* because he hath heard the voice of my prayer;

2 Because he hath inclined his ear unto me; \* therefore will I call upon him as long as I live.

3 The snares of death compassed me round about, \* and the pains of hell gat hold upon me.

4 I found trouble and heaviness; then called I upon the Name of the LORD; \* O LORD, I beseech thee, deliver my soul.

5 Gracious is the LORD, and righteous; \* yea, our God is merciful.

6 The LORD preserveth the simple: \* I was in misery, and he helped me.

7 Turn again then unto thy rest, O my soul; \* for the LORD hath rewarded thee.

8 And why? thou hast delivered my soul from death, \* mine eyes from tears, and my feet from falling.

9 I will walk before the LORD \* in the land of the living.

10 I believed, and therefore will I speak; but I was sore troubled: \* I said in my haste, All men are liars.

11 What reward shall I give unto the LORD \* for all the benefits that he hath done unto me?

12 I will receive the cup of salvation, \* and call upon the Name of the LORD.

13 I will pay my vows now in the presence of all his people: \* right dear in the sight of the LORD is the death of his saints.

14 Behold, O LORD, how that I am thy servant; \* I am thy servant, and the son of thine<sup>1</sup> handmaid; thou hast broken my bonds in sunder.

15 I will offer to thee the sacrifice of thanksgiving, \* and will call upon the Name of the LORD.

16 I will pay my vows unto the LORD, in the sight of all his people, \* in the courts of the LORD'S house; even in the midst of thee, O Jerusalem. Praise the LORD.

GLORY be to the Father, and to the Son, \* and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, \* world without end. Amen.

¶ *Then shall be read the First Lesson, according to the Table or Calendar.*

St. James 1:17-21.

**V**ERY good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning. Of his own will begat he us with the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures. Wherefore, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath: for the wrath of man worketh not the righteousness of God. Wherefore lay apart all filthiness and superfluity of naughtiness, and receive with meekness the engrafted word, which is able to save your souls.

¶ *Here shall be said or sung the following Hymn.*

¶ *Hymn #652A, 656A*

### Te Deum laudamus

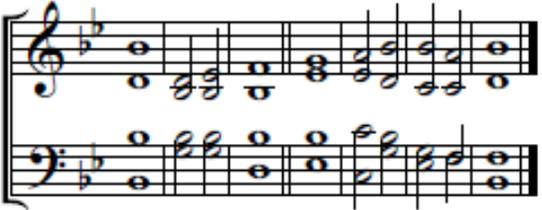
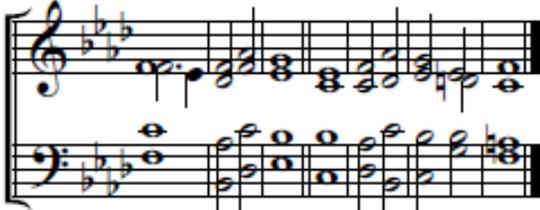
The image displays a musical score for the hymn 'Te Deum laudamus'. It consists of four staves of music, each with a unique label and composer:

- Staff A:** Labeled '652 A E.G. Monk'. It is in a key with one flat (B-flat) and a common time signature. The melody is written in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef.
- Staff B:** Labeled '653 B F. Ouseley'. It is in a key with one flat (B-flat) and a common time signature. The melody is in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef.
- Staff C:** Labeled '654 C S. Elvey'. It is in a key with two sharps (F# and C#) and a common time signature. The melody is in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef.
- Staff D:** Labeled '655 D C. Hoyt'. It is in a key with two flats (B-flat and E-flat) and a common time signature. The melody is in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef.

- WE praise thee, O God; we acknowledge thee to | be the Lord.  
 \* All the earth doth worship thee, the Father | everLASTing.
- 2 To thee all angels cry aloud; the heavens, and all the | pow'rs therein;  
 \* to thee cherubim and seraphim con|tinually do cry,
- 3 Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of | Sabaoth;  
 \* heaven and earth are full of the majesty | of thy GLORY.
- 4 The glorious company of the apostles | PRAISE thee.  
 \* The goodly fellowship of the | prophets PRAISE thee.
- 5 The noble army of martyrs | PRAISE thee.  
 \* The holy Church throughout all the world | doth acknowledge thee;
- 6 The Father: of an infinite majesty; thine adorable, true, and | only Son;  
 \* also the Holy | Ghost, the Comforter.

<p>656                    A                    W. Croft</p> 	<p>658                    C                    R. Farrant</p> 
<p>657                    B                    W. Croft</p> 	<p>659                    D                    C. Hoyt</p> 

- THOU art the King of | Glory, · O Christ;  
 \* thou art the everlasting | Son · of the | FATHER.
- 8 When thou tookest upon thee to de|liver man,  
 \* thou didst humble thyself to be | born · of a | VIRgin.
- 9 When thou hadst overcome the | sharpness · of death,  
 \* thou didst open the kingdom of heaven to | all beLIEV'ers.
- 10 Thou sittest at the right | hand of God,  
 \* in the glory | of the FATHER.
- 11 We believe that thou shalt come to | be our Judge.  
 \* We therefore pray thee, help thy servants,  
 whom thou hast redeemed | with thy precious blood.
- 12 Make them to be numbered | with thy saints,  
 \* in glory | everLASTing.

<p>A      E.G. Monk</p> 	<p>C      S. Elvey</p> 
<p>B      F. Ouseley</p> 	<p>D      C. Hoyt</p> 

O LORD, save thy people, and bless thine | heritage.

\* Govern them, and lift them | up for EVER.

14 Day by day we | magni·fy thee;

\* and we worship thy name ever, | world withOUT end.

15 Vouchsafe, O Lord, to keep us this day with|OUT sin.

\* O Lord, have mercy upon us, have | mercy · upON us.

16 O Lord, let thy mercy be upon us, as our | trust · is in · thee.

\* O Lord, in thee have I trusted; let me never| be conFOUNDED.

¶ *Then shall be read, in like manner, the Second Lesson, taken out of the New Testament, according to the Table or Calendar.*

St. John 16:5-15.

**J**ESUS said unto his disciples, Now I go my way to him that sent me; and none of you asketh me, Whither goest thou? But because I have said these things unto you, sorrow hath filled your heart. Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you. And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment: of sin, because they believe not on me; of righteousness, because I go to my Father, and ye see me no more; of judgment, because the prince of this world is judged. I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now. Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come. He shall glorify me: for he shall receive of mine, and shall shew it unto you. All things that the Father hath are mine: therefore said I, that he shall take of mine, and shall shew it unto you.

¶ *And after that shall be sung or said the Hymn following.*

## Jubilate Deo

Psalm 100

680 G.J. Elvey 682 V. Novello

O BE joyful in the LORD, | all ye lands:  
\* serve the LORD with gladness,  
and come before his | presence with a song.

2 Be ye sure that the LORD he is God;  
it is he that hath made us, and not | we ourselves;  
\* we are his people, and the | sheep of · his PASTure.

3 O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving,  
and into his | courts with praise;  
\* be thankful unto him, and | SPEAK | good of · his name.

4 For the LORD is gracious, his mercy is | everlasting;  
\* and his truth endureth from generation to | generAtion.

Glory be to the Father, and | to the Son,  
\* and | to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and | ever shall be,  
\* world without | END. Amen.

¶ *Then shall be said the Apostles' Creed by the Minister and the People, standing.*

**I** BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth:

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary: Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried: He descended into hell; The third day he rose again from the dead: He ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty: From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost: The holy Catholic Church; The Communion of Saints: The Forgiveness of sins: The Resurrection of the body: And the Life everlasting. Amen.

¶ *And after that, these Prayers following, the people devoutly kneeling; the Minister first pronouncing,*

*Minister.* The Lord be with you.

*Answer.* And with thy spirit.

*Minister.* Let us pray.

*Minister.* O Lord, show thy mercy upon us.

*Answer.* And grant us thy salvation.

*Minister.* O God, make clean our hearts within us.

*Answer.* And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

¶ *Then shall follow the Collect for the Day.*

**A**LMIGHTY God, who alone canst order the unruly wills and affections of sinful men; Grant unto thy people, that they may love the thing which thou commandest, and desire that which thou dost promise; that so, among the sundry and manifold changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed, where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*A Collect for Peace.*

**O** GOD, who art the author of peace and lover of concord, in knowledge of whom standeth our eternal life, whose service is perfect freedom; Defend us thy humble servants in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in thy defence, may not fear the power of any adversaries, through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*A Collect for Grace.*

**O** LORD, our heavenly Father, Almighty and everlasting God, who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day; Defend us in the same with thy mighty power; and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger; but that all our doings, being ordered by thy governance, may be righteous in thy sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*Welcome & Announcements*

SERMON HYMN.

1. Come, Ho - ly Ghost, Cre - a - tor blest,  
2. To thee, the Com - fort - er, we cry,  
3. The sev'n - fold gifts of grace are thine,  
4. Thy light to ev - 'ry sense im - part,  
5. Drive far a - way our ghost - ly foe,

Vouch - safe with - in our souls to rest;  
To thee, the Gift of God most high,  
O Fin - ger of the hand di - vine;  
And shed thy love in ev - 'ry heart;  
And thine a - bid - ing peace be - stow;

Come with thy grace and heav'n - ly aid,  
The Fount of life, the Fire of love,  
True Prom - ise of the Fa - ther thou,  
Thine own un - fail - ing might sup - ply  
If thou be our pre - vent - ing Guide,

And fill the hearts which thou hast made.  
The soul's A - noint - ing from a - bove.  
Who dost the tongue with speech en - dow.  
To strength - en our in - fir - mi - ty.  
No e - vil can our steps be - tide. A - men.

Text: attr. Rabanus Maurus, 9th century  
Tune: German melody; arr. Samuel Dyer, 1828

MENDON  
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*HOMILY ~ The Rev. Dcn. Richard Rankin*

*In the time of any common Plague or Sickness*

**O** ALMIGHTY God, who in thy wrath did send a plague upon thine own people in the wilderness, for their obstinate rebellion against Moses and Aaron; and also, in the time of king David, didst slay with the plague of Pestilence threescore and ten thousand, and yet remembering thy mercy didst save the rest; Have pity upon us miserable sinners, who now are visited with great sickness and mortality; that like as thou didst then accept of an atonement, and didst command the destroying Angel to cease from punishing, so it may now please thee to withdraw from us this plague and grievous sickness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*A Prayer for The President of the United States, and all in Civil Authority.*

**O** LORD our Governor, whose glory is in all the world; We commend this nation to thy merciful care, that being guided by thy Providence, we may dwell secure in thy peace. Grant to THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, and to all in Authority, wisdom and strength to know and to do thy will. Fill them with the love of truth and righteousness; and make them ever mindful of their calling to serve this people in thy fear; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Amen.

*A Prayer for the Clergy and People.*

**A**LMIGHTY and everlasting God, from whom cometh every good and perfect gift; Send down upon our Bishops, and other Clergy, and upon the Congregations committed to their charge, the healthful Spirit of thy grace; and, that they may truly please thee, pour upon them the continual dew of thy blessing. Grant this, O Lord, for the honour of our Advocate and Mediator, Jesus Christ. Amen.

*A Prayer for all Conditions of Men.*

**O** GOD, the Creator and Preserver of all mankind, we humbly beseech thee for all sorts and conditions of men; that thou wouldest be pleased to make thy ways known unto them, thy saving health unto all nations. More especially we pray for thy holy Church universal; that it may be so guided and governed by thy good Spirit, that all who profess and call themselves Christians may be led into the way of truth, and hold the faith in unity of spirit, in the bond of peace, and in righteousness of life. Finally, we

commend to thy fatherly goodness all those who are any ways afflicted, or distressed, in mind, body, or estate; [especially those for whom our prayers are desired;] that it may please thee to comfort and relieve them, according to. their several necessities; giving them patience under their sufferings, and a happy issue out of all their afflictions. And this we beg for Jesus Christ's sake. *Amen.*

*A General Thanksgiving.*

**A**LMIGHTY God, Father of all mercies, we, thine unworthy servants, do give thee most humble and hearty thanks for all thy goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all men; [*\*particularly to those who desire now to offer up their praises and thanksgivings for thy late mercies vouchsafed unto them.*] We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all, for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies, that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful; and that we show forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to thy service, and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

*A Prayer of St. Chrysostom.*

**A**LMIGHTY God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications unto thee; and dost promise that when two or three are gathered together in thy Name thou wilt grant their requests; Fulfil now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants, as may be most expedient for them; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. *Amen.*

2 Cor. xiii. 14.

**T**HE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

CLOSING HYMN.

1. Re - joice, the Lord is King! Your Lord and King a - dore!  
2. The Lord the Sav - ior reigns, The God of truth and love;  
3. His king - dom can - not fail; He rules o'er earth and heav'n;  
4. Re - joice in glo - rious hope! Our Lord the Judge shall come,

Mor - tals, give thanks and sing, And tri - umph ev - er - more.  
When he had purged our stains, He took his seat a - bove.  
The keys of death and hell To Christ the Lord are giv'n.  
And take his serv - ants up To their e - ter - nal home.

*refrain*

Lift up your heart! Lift up your voice! Re-joice! a - gain I say, re - joice!

Text: Charles Wesley, 1746, alt.  
Tune: John Darwall, 1770

DARWALL'S 148th  
(DARWALL)  
6.6.6.6 with refrain

## **Announcements**

Prayer List: George, Chester, Hugh, Ruthie, Brooke, Hayden, Patti, Joan, Phillip, Barbara Ann, Joe, Bill, Mark, Jimmy, Sally, Maurice, Lida, Ron, Linda, Gina, Peggy, Jennifer, Joshua, Kerri, Jan, Mona, Laura, Bettye, Nancy, and Charles; the men and women of the armed forces and their families; and our fellow Christians under persecution around the world.

## **Notices of Importance**

- All Church Activities are currently suspended. We are making plans to open up the Church, with new protocols on May 17<sup>th</sup>. If you have not responded to the email survey already, please do so immediately. Once you have responded to the email, you will be schedule to attend service.
- St. Stephens is now equipped to receive Credit and Debit Card donations. You can make one-time gifts or set up reoccurring donations by visiting our website. [www.ststephens1928.org](http://www.ststephens1928.org).
- If you would like to receive regular updates regarding the events and ministries of St. Stephen's, signup for the weekly *ENews*. Go to [www.ststephen1928.org](http://www.ststephen1928.org) and enter your email address.
- If you would like a pastoral visit or to receive the sacrament, please contact Fr. Jonathan.
- Parents are welcome to bring their children to the Church playground. Contact the Church office first.
- Jonathan+ will be attending the Anglican Way Institute (7/9-7/12). Dr. Peter Kreeft will be the Plenary Speaker. He is addressing the topic of the Apologetics of C.S. Lewis. The Church will provide transportation to and from the conference. To register or for more information visit <https://holysacramentdallas.org/anglicanway.html> or contact Fr. Jonathan.

### ===== OFFICE HOURS =====

Tuesday – Friday 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

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