



# SAINT STEPHEN'S CHURCH

PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

19 January 2025

SOLEMN MASS AT 10 AM

*Missa Quarti toni*

Tomás Luis de Victoria (c. 1548–1611)

## THE OPENING RITE

### VOLUNTARY

*Prelude in E flat*

C. Hubert H. Parry (1848–1918)

*Chorale Prelude on 'Dundee'*

C.HH. Parry

HYMN 126 *g* *Sung by all, standing.*

DUNDEE

INTROIT *Omnis terra*

TONE VII

All the earth shall worship thee, O God, and sing of thee: they shall sing praise to thy Name, O most Highest. *Ps.* O be joyful in God, all ye lands: sing praises unto the honour of his Name; make his praise to be glorious. Glory be *&c.*  
All the earth shall worship thee *&c.*

### OPENING ACCLAMATION

*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.

**KYRIE ELEISON** *g Sung by the choir.*

**K**yrie eleison.  
Christe eleison.  
Kyrie eleison.

*Lord, have mercy upon us.*  
*Christ, have mercy upon us.*  
*Lord, have mercy upon us.*

**GLORIA IN EXCELSIS** *g Sung by the choir.*

**G**loria in excelsis Deo, et in terra pax hominibus bonæ voluntatis. Laudamus te, benedicimus te, adoramus te, glorificamus te, gratias agimus tibi propter magnam gloriam tuam, Domine Deus, Rex cœlestis, Deus Pater Omnipotens. Domine Fili unigenite Jesu Christe; Dominus Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis. Qui tollis peccata mundi, suscipe deprecationem nostram. Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris, miserere nobis. Quoniam tu solus sanctus; tu solus Dominus; tu solus altissimus, Jesu Christe, cum sancto Spiritu, ✠ in gloria Dei Patris. Amen.

*Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high ✠ in the glory of God the Father. Amen*

**COLLECT OF THE DAY**

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

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

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

**A**lmighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that thy people, illumined by thy Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshiped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee and the Holy Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**THE LITURGY OF THE WORD**

**THE FIRST LESSON**

*g All sit.*

*Isaiah 62:1-5*

**F**or Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication goes forth as brightness, and her salvation as a burning torch. The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name which the mouth of the LORD will give. You

shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate; but you shall be called My delight is in her, and your land Married; for the LORD delights in you, and your land shall be married. For as a young man marries a virgin, so shall your sons marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

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

**PSALM 96:1-10** *Cantate Domino*

Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)

**O** sing unto the LORD a new song :  
sing unto the LORD, all the whole earth.  
Sing unto the LORD, and praise his Name :  
be telling of his salvation from day to day.  
Declare his honour unto the heathen :  
and his wonders unto all people.  
For the LORD is great, and cannot worthily be praised :  
he is more to be feared than all gods.  
As for all the gods of the heathen, they are but idols :  
but it is the LORD that made the heavens.  
Glory and worship are before him :  
power and honour are in his sanctuary.  
Ascribe unto the LORD, O ye kindreds of the people :  
ascribe unto the LORD worship and power.  
Ascribe unto the LORD the honour due unto his Name :  
bring presents, and come into his courts.  
O worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness :  
let the whole earth stand in awe of him.  
Tell it out among the heathen that the LORD is King :  
and that it is he who hath made the round world so fast that it cannot be moved;  
and how that he shall judge the people righteously.

**THE EPISTLE**

*1 Corinthians 12:4-11*

**T**here are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of working, but it is the same God who inspires them all in every one. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the ability to distinguish between spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the

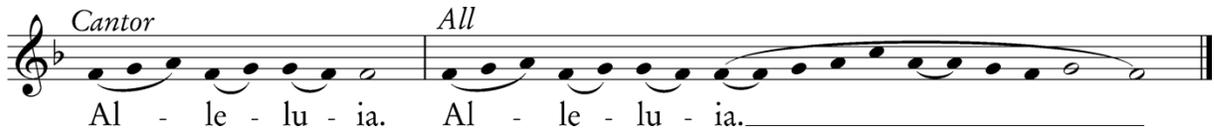
interpretation of tongues. All these are inspired by one and the same Spirit, who apportions to each one individually as he wills.

*Subdeacon* The Word of the Lord.

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

ALLELUIA *Laudate Deum*

TONE VI



✠ Praise the Lord, all ye angels of his: praise him, all his host.

✠ **Alleluia.**

THE HOLY GOSPEL

*John 2:1-11*

*Deacon* The Lord be with you.

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

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

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

**O**n the third day there was a marriage at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there; Jesus also was invited to the marriage, with his disciples. When the wine failed, the mother of Jesus said to him, “They have no wine.” And Jesus said to her, “O woman, what have you to do with me? My hour has not yet come.” His mother said to the servants, “Do whatever he tells you.” Now six stone jars were standing there, for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, “Fill the jars with water.” And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, “Now draw some out, and take it to the steward of the feast.” So they took it. When the steward of the feast tasted the water now become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward of the feast called the bridegroom and said to him, “Every man serves the good wine first; and when men have drunk freely, then the poor wine; but you have kept the good wine until now.” This, the first of his signs, Jesus did at Cana in Galilee, and manifested his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

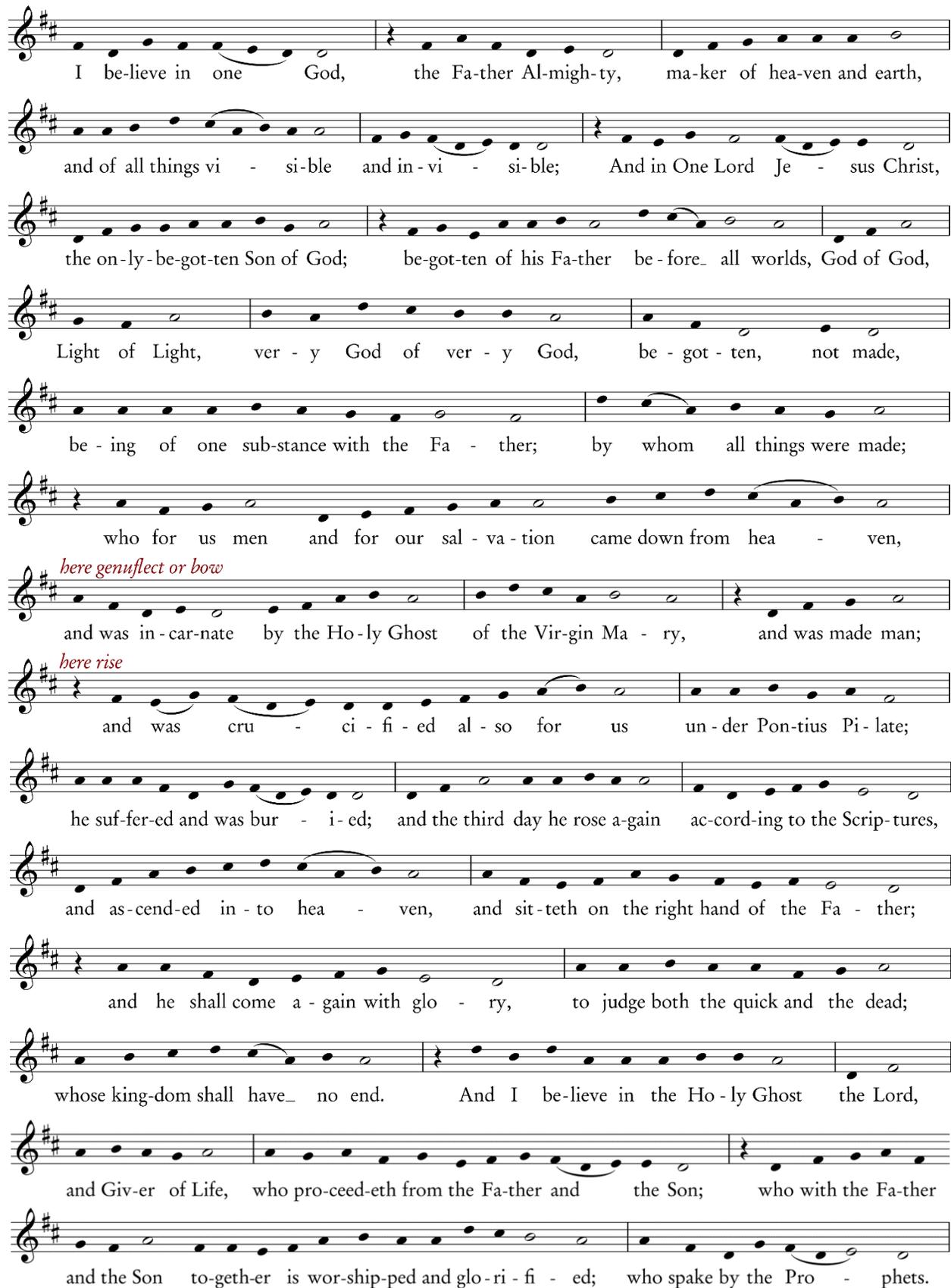
*Deacon* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

SERMON

*The Rev'd Fr. Benjamin Straley*

# THE NICENE CREED *g Sung by all, standing.*



I be-lieve in one God, the Fa-ther Al-migh-ty, ma-ker of hea-ven and earth,  
and of all things vi - si-ble and in - vi - si-ble; And in One Lord Je - sus Christ,  
the on-ly-be-got-ten Son of God; be-got-ten of his Fa-ther be-fore all worlds, God of God,  
Light of Light, ver - y God of ver - y God, be - got - ten, not made,  
be - ing of one sub-stance with the Fa - ther; by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our sal - va - tion came down from hea - ven,  
*here genuflect or bow*  
and was in - car-nate by the Ho-ly Ghost of the Vir-gin Ma - ry, and was made man;  
*here rise*  
and was cru - ci - fi - ed al - so for us un - der Pon-tius Pi - late;  
he suf-fer-ed and was bur - i - ed; and the third day he rose a - gain ac-cord-ing to the Scrip-tures,  
and as-cend-ed in - to hea - ven, and sit-teth on the right hand of the Fa - ther;  
and he shall come a - gain with glo - ry, to judge both the quick and the dead;  
whose king-dom shall have no end. And I be-lieve in the Ho - ly Ghost the Lord,  
and Giv-er of Life, who pro-ceed-eth from the Fa-ther and the Son; who with the Fa-ther  
and the Son to-gether is wor-ship-ped and glo-ri - fi - ed; who spake by the Pro - phets.

And I be - lieve one ho - ly Cath - o - lic and A - pos - tol - ic Church;  
 I ac - know - ledge one Bap - tism for the re - mis - sion of sins;  
 and I look for the re - sur - rec - tion of the dead, and the life of the world to come.  
 A - - - - - men.

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

### *¶ Deacon*

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

For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault at the day of thy coming, we pray to thee, O Lord.

**℟ Lord, have mercy.**

For Sean the Presiding Bishop, for Nicholas our own Bishop, for all bishops and other ministers, and for all the holy people of God, we pray to thee, O Lord.

**℟ Lord, have mercy.**

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

**℟ Lord, have mercy.**

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

**℟ Lord, have mercy.**

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 thee, O Lord.

**℟ Lord, have mercy.**

For all who have ✠ died in the communion of thy Church, and those whose faith is known to thee 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 thee, O Lord.

**℟ Lord, have mercy.**

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

**℟ To thee, O Lord our God.**

*¶ Celebrant*

**F**or thine is the majesty, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## CONFESSION OF SIN

*¶ Deacon*

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

*¶ Said by all, kneeling*

Almighty God, **Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all men: We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty, provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us, the burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honor and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

ABSOLUTION *¶ The Celebrant stands and says*

**A**lmighty 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

*Celebrant* The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

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

*¶ The Celebrant begins the Offertory with a sentence of scripture after which the people sit.*

## THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

*¶ At the Offertory, we gratefully offer back to God a portion of what God has given us, symbolically in the bread and wine, and in the money we give. To make an electronic gift today, please either visit [sstephens.org/give](http://sstephens.org/give) or scan the QR code below.*



O be joyful in God, all ye lands; sing praises unto the honour of his Name: O come hither, and hearken, all ye that fear God; and I will tell you what the Lord hath done for my soul, alleluia.

## AT THE OFFERTORY

Luca Marenzio (c. 1553–1599)

Tribus miraculis ornatum, diem sanctum colimus: Hodie stella Magos duxit ad præsepium: Hodie vinum ex aqua factum est ad nuptias: Hodie in Jordane a Joanne Christus baptizari voluit, ut salvaret nos, Alleluia.

*Three are the miracles we celebrate this day: On this day by a star the wise men were led to the manger; On this day wine out of water was brought forth for the wedding feast; On this day in Jordan's waters by John's hand Jesus chose to be baptized, that he might save us. Alleluia.*

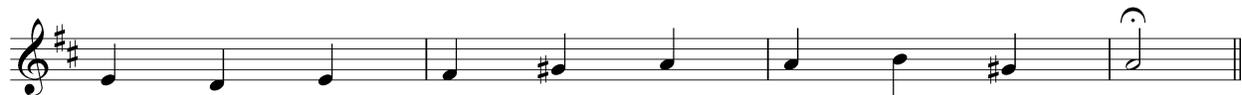
*All stand for the hymn as the offering is brought forward and the gifts, altar, & people are censed.*

## HYMN

WAS LEBET, WAS SCHWEBET



1. O wor - ship the Lord in the beau - ty of ho - li - ness!
2. Low at his feet lay thy bur - den of care - ful - ness,
3. Fear not to en - ter his courts in the slen - der - ness,
4. These, though we bring them in trem - bling and fear - ful - ness,
5. O wor - ship the Lord in the beau - ty of ho - li - ness!



1. Bow down be - fore him, his glo - ry pro - claim;
2. high on his heart he will bear it for thee,
3. of the poor wealth thou wouldst reck - on as thine:
4. he will ac - cept for the name that is dear;
5. Bow down be - fore him, his glo - ry pro - claim;



1. With gold of o - bed - ience, and in - cense of low - li - ness,
2. Com - fort thy sor - rows, and an - swer thy prayer - ful - ness,
3. Truth in its beau - ty, and love in its ten - der - ness,
4. Morn - ings of joy give for ev - enings of tear - ful - ness,
5. With gold of o - bed - ience, and in - cense of low - li - ness,



1. kneel and a - dore him, the Lord is his name!
2. guid - ing thy steps as may best for thee be.
3. these are the of - ferings to lay on his shrine.
4. trust for our trem - bling and hope for our fear.
5. kneel and a - dore him, the Lord is his name!

## ORATE FRATRES

*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

*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.**

**I**t 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; because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, thou hast caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of thy glory in the face of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. 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 *¶ Sung by the choir*

**S**anctus, Sanctus, Sanctus,  
Dominus Deus Sabaoth: Pleni  
sunt cæli et terra gloria tua. Hosanna  
in excelsis. Benedictus ✠ qui venit in  
nomine Domini. Hosanna in  
excelsis.

*Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:  
Heaven and earth are full of thy Glory.  
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.  
Blessed ✠ is he that cometh in the  
name of the Lord. Hosanna in the  
highest.*

## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER *¶ All kneel.*

**A**lmighty God, our heavenly Father, we give thanks unto thee for the goodness and love which thou hast revealed unto us in creation; in the calling of Israel as thine own people; in thy Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, thy Son Jesus Christ. For in the fulness of time thou didst send him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, thou hast delivered us from evil and made us worthy to stand before thee. In him, thou hast brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks unto thee, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat,

THIS IS MY BODY,  
WHICH IS GIVEN FOR YOU.  
Do this for the remembrance of me."



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

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, for the remembrance of me."



Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

*¶ Celebrant and People*

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

*¶ The Celebrant continues*

And we offer unto thee, O Father, this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, presenting unto thee from thy creation, O Lord of all, this bread and this cup.

We beseech thee, gracious Father, to send thy Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the New Covenant. Unite us to thy Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified ✠ by the Holy Spirit. At the last day, put all things in subjection under thy Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with the ever-Blessed Virgin Mary, blessed Stephen our patron, and all thy saints, we may enter into the everlasting heritage of thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, 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,



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,  
as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead us not in - to  
temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom,  
and the power, and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

## THE BREAKING OF BREAD

*Celebrant* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us:

*People* Therefore let us keep the feast.

## PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the Flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his Blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his Body, and our souls washed through his most precious Blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

## 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 shouldst come under my roof: but speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed.

## THE ADMINISTRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

*Please come forward to the altar rail and then return to your pew via the passageway on the right. If you are unable to come forward, communion can be brought to you in your pew. All baptized Christians are welcome to receive the Eucharist at the Lord's Table. Gluten-free wafers are available. If you are not receiving, you are invited to come forward for a blessing (indicated by crossing your arms over your chest). If you have not been baptized and find yourself drawn to Jesus Christ and life in him, please let one of our clergy know. We would be honored to have a conversation with you about baptism or answer any other questions. Baptism and life in the Body of Christ is open to all.*

### AGNUS DEI *¶ Sung by the choir.*

**A**gnus Dei, qui tollis peccata  
mundi, Miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,  
Miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,  
Dona nobis pacem.

*O Lamb of God, that takest away the  
sins of the world, have mercy upon us.*

*O Lamb of God, that takest away the  
sins of the world, have mercy upon us.*

*O Lamb of God, that takest away the  
sins of the world, grant us thy peace.*

### COMMUNION ANTIPHON *Dicit Dominus*

TONE I

**T**he Lord said unto them: Fill the water-pots with water, and bare unto the governor of the feast. When the ruler of the feast had tasted the water that was made wine, he saith unto the bridegroom: Thou hast kept the good wine until now. This beginning of miracles: did Jesus before his disciples.

### HYMN 138 *¶ Sung by all.*

CARLISLE

## THE CLOSING RITE

### POST-COMMUNION PRAYER *¶ All kneel.*

*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.

## THE BLESSING

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

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

**M**ay Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you; that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the ☩ Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

**DISMISSAL** *☩ Please stand.*

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

*People* **Thank be to God.**

## VOLUNTARY

*Prelude and Fugue in C major*

Charles Villiers Stanford

*☩ Please join us for Coffee Hour in the Guild House. All are welcome.*



# S. STEPHEN'S CHURCH

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