

# Renewal of Vows and Blessing of the Oil for Chrismation

*St. Matthew's Episcopal Church  
Liverpool, NY*

*February 21, 2024  
7:00pm*



# The Word of God

## Hymn in Procession

*Please stand as you are able.*

*"Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord" The Hymnal 1982 438*



1 Tell out, my soul, the great-ness of the Lord!  
2 Tell out, my soul, the great-ness of his Name!  
3 Tell out, my soul, the great-ness of his might!  
4 Tell out, my soul, the glo - ries of his word!



Un - num - bered bless - ings give my spi - rit voice;  
Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;  
Powers and do - min - ions lay their glo - ry by.  
Firm is his prom - ise, and his mer - cy sure.



ten - der to me the prom - ise of his word;  
his mer - cy sure, from age to age the same;  
Proud hearts and stub - born wills are put to flight,  
Tell out, my soul, the great - ness of the Lord



in God my Sa - vior shall my heart re - joice.  
his ho - ly Name— the Lord, the Might - y One.  
the hun - gry fed, the hum - ble lift - ed high.  
to chil - dren's chil - dren and for ev - er - more!

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*Please remain standing as you are able.*

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

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

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.**

*Trisagion Sung three times The Hymnal 1982 S102*

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,

Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.

**The Collect of the Day**

The Lord be with you.

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

Let us pray.

Almighty God, who by the power of the Holy Spirit anointed your Son to be Messiah and Priest forever, grant that all whom you have called to his service may confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share in his eternal priesthood; who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the same Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

## The Lessons

*Please be seated.*

### **Isaiah 2:2-22**

In days to come the mountain of the LORD's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains and shall be raised above the hills all the nations shall stream to it. Many peoples shall come and say, "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob, that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths." For out of Zion shall go forth instruction and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. He shall judge between the nations and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation; neither shall they learn war any more. O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the LORD! You have forsaken your people, the house of Jacob, for they are full of diviners from the East and of soothsayers like the Philistines, and they clasp hands with foreigners. Their land is filled with silver and gold, and there is no end to their treasures; their land is filled with horses, and there is no end to their chariots. Their land is filled with idols; they bow down to the work of their hands, to what their own fingers have made. And so people are humbled, and everyone is brought low— do not forgive them! Enter into the rock, and hide in the dust from the terror of the LORD and from the glory of his majesty. The haughty eyes of people shall be brought low, and the pride of everyone shall be humbled, and the LORD alone will be exalted on that day. For the LORD of hosts has a day against all that is proud and lofty, against all that is lifted up and high; against all the cedars of Lebanon, lofty and lifted up; and against all the oaks of Bashan; against all the high mountains and against all the lofty hills; against every high tower and against every fortified wall; against all the ships of Tarshish and against all the highly prized vessels. The haughtiness of people shall be humbled, and the pride of everyone shall be brought low, and the LORD alone will be exalted on that day. The idols shall utterly pass away. Enter the caves of the rocks and the holes of the ground from the terror of the LORD and from the glory of his majesty, when he rises to terrify the earth. On that day people will throw away to the moles and to the bats their idols of silver and their idols of gold, which they made for themselves to worship, to enter the caverns of the rocks and the clefts in the crags, from the terror of the LORD and from the glory of his majesty, when he rises to terrify the earth. Turn away from mortals, who have only breath in their nostrils, for what account are they?

The Word of the Lord.

*People Thanks be to God.*

## Psalm 96

O sing to the LORD a new song;  
**sing to the LORD, all the earth.**  
Sing to the LORD; bless his name;  
**tell of his salvation from day to day.**  
Declare his glory among the nations,  
**his marvelous works among all the peoples.**  
For great is the LORD and greatly to be praised;  
**he is to be revered above all gods.**  
For all the gods of the peoples are idols,  
**but the LORD made the heavens.**  
Honor and majesty are before him;  
**strength and beauty are in his sanctuary.**

Ascribe to the LORD, O families of the peoples,  
**ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.**  
Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;  
**bring an offering, and come into his courts.**  
Worship the LORD in holy splendor;  
**tremble before him, all the earth.**

Say among the nations, "The LORD is king!  
**The world is firmly established; it shall never be moved.**  
**He will judge the peoples with equity."**  
Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice;  
**let the sea roar and all that fills it;**  
**let the field exult and everything in it.**  
Then shall all the trees of the forest sing for joy  
**before the LORD, for he is coming,**  
**for he is coming to judge the earth.**  
He will judge the world with righteousness  
**and the peoples with his truth.**

## **Ephesians 2:13-22**

But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us, abolishing the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, and might reconcile both to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near, for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then, you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone; in him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord, in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

The Word of the Lord.

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

*Please stand as you are able.*

**Sequence Hymn** *“The glory of these forty days” The Hymnal 1982 143*

1 The glo - ry of these for - ty days we  
 2 A - lone and fast - ing Mo - ses saw the  
 3 So Dan - iel trained his mys - tic sight, de -  
 4 Then grant us, Lord, like them to be full  
 5 O Fa - ther, Son, and Spi - rit blest, to

1 ce - le - brate with songs of praise; for Christ, through whom all  
 2 lov - ing God who gave the law; and to E - li - jah,  
 3 liv - ered from the li - ons' might; and John, the Bride - groom's  
 4 oft in fast and prayer with thee; our spi - rits strength - en  
 5 thee be ev - ery prayer ad - dressed, who art in three - fold

1 things were made, him - self has fast - ed and has prayed.  
 2 fast - ing, came the steeds and char - i - ots of flame.  
 3 friend, be - came the her - ald of Mes - si - ah's name.  
 4 with thy grace, and give us joy to see thy face.  
 5 Name a - dored, from age to age, the on - ly Lord.

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 Music: *Erhaltet an, Herr*; melody from *Geistliche Lieder*, 1543; harm. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

## The Gospel

### Luke 10:1-9

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

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

After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. He said to them, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. Go on your way; I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals, and greet no one on the

road. Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house!' And if a person of peace is there, your peace will rest on that person, but if not, it will return to you. Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; cure the sick who are there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

### **The Sermon**

*The Rt. Rev. Dr. DeDe Duncan-Probe*

### **The Renewal of Baptismal Vows**

*Please stand as you are able.*

*Bishop* Do you believe in God the Father?

*People* **I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

*People* **I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

**He descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again.**

**He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**



Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

*People* **I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting.**

Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

## **Vows for Vestry Members and Wardens**

*Vestry members and wardens, along with clergy, remain standing.*

*Bishop:* Let us pray:

Almighty God, you sent your Son Jesus Christ to reconcile the world to himself; we thank you for these your servants, who minister in the world to gather together the community of the reconciled. Empower them with vision, wisdom, and forbearance, that they may show forth your love wherever they go, and whatever they do, and that the communities in which they minister may become icons of your presence. Through Christ our Lord, **Amen.**

## The Renewal of Ordination Vows

*Clergy, please remain standing as you are able.*

*Bishop* Dear friends, the ministry we share is none other than the sacrificial ministry of Christ, who gave himself up to death on the cross for the salvation of the world. By his glorious resurrection he has opened for us the way of everlasting life. By the gift of the Holy Spirit he shares with us the riches of his grace.

We are called to proclaim his death and resurrection, to administer the Sacraments of the New Covenant which he sealed with his blood on the cross, and to care for his people in the power of the Spirit.

Do you here, in the presence of Christ and his Church, renew your commitment to your ministry, under the pastoral direction of your bishop?

*Clergy I do.*

Do you reaffirm your promise to give yourself to prayer and study?

*Clergy I do.*

Do you reaffirm your promise so to minister the Word of God and the Sacraments of the New Covenant that the reconciling love of Christ may be known and received?

*Clergy I do.*

Do you reaffirm your promise to be a faithful servant of all those committed to your care, patterning your life in accordance with the teachings of Christ, so that you may be a wholesome example to your people?

*Clergy I do.*

*The Bishop then stands and makes this affirmation.*

And now, as your bishop, I, too, before God and you, re-dedicate myself and reaffirm the promises that I made when I was ordained. I ask your prayers.

*The Bishop and clergy then say together*

**May the Lord who has given us the will to do these things, give us also the grace and power to perform them.**

### **The Prayers of the People**

*Leader* Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

*People* **That we all may be one.**

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you; **That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

**That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world; **That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

**That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

**That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Give to the departed eternal rest;

**Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

**May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

*Silence.*

*Bishop* O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### **The Peace**

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

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

# The Holy Communion

## Offertory

*The offering will be sent to Episcopal Relief and Development to support the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem and Al-Ahli Arab Hospital as they offer critical health services to those impacted by the current crisis in Gaza.*

**Offertory Hymn** "Take my life, and let it be" *The Hymnal* 1982 707

1 Take my life, and let it be con - se - crat - ed, Lord, to thee;  
2 Take my voice, and let me sing al - ways, on - ly, for my King;

take my mo - ments and my days, let them flow in cease - less praise.  
take my in - tel - lect, and use ev - ery power as thou shalt choose.

Take my hands, and let them move at the im - pulse of thy love;  
Take my will, and make it thine; it shall be no long - er mine.

take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy roy - al throne.  
Take my - self, and I will be ev - er, on - ly, all for thee.

Words: Frances Ridley Havergal (1836-1879), alt. Music: Modeste, John Hacinus Dylkos (1823-1874)

## The Great Thanksgiving

*Please stand as you are able. Eucharistic Prayer A The Hymnal 1982 S120*

The musical notation is presented in four staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are written below the notes. Roles are indicated by 'Celebrant' and 'People' labels above the staves. The notes are primarily quarter and eighth notes, with some beamed eighth notes and a few half notes. The lyrics are: 'The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.' (Celebrant and People), 'Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.' (Celebrant and People), 'Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.' (Celebrant), and 'It is right to give him thanks and praise.' (People).

*Celebrant*                      *People*  
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

*Celebrant*                      *People*  
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

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

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

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through the great shepherd of your flock, Jesus Christ our Lord; who after his resurrection sent forth his apostles to preach the Gospel and to teach all nations; and promised to be with them always, even to the end of the ages.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

*Sanctus The Hymnal 1982 S129*

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

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, 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; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, 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."

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Memorial Acclamation The Hymnal 1982 S134*



We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. **Amen.**

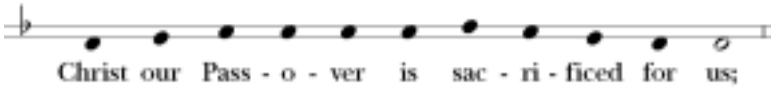
**The Lord's Prayer**

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

**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,  
forever and ever. Amen.**

## The Breaking of the Bread

*Fraction Anthem The Hymnal 1982 S153*



*This setting may be sung full by all, or by the choir, or as a versicle and response.*

*Bishop* This altar is not ours, it is the Lord's. So come to this altar those who have much faith, and those who would like to have more. Those who have been here often, and those who have not been for a long time. Those who have tried to follow Jesus and those who have failed.

Come, it is Christ who invites us to meet him here.



Communion Hymn "My God, thy table now is spread" *The Hymnal 1982* 321

1 My God, thy ta - ble now is spread, thy cup with  
 2 O let thy ta - ble hon - ored be, and fur - nished  
 3 Drawn by thy quick - ening grace, O Lord, in coun - less  
 4 Nor let thy spread - ing Gos - pel rest till through the

love doth o - ver - flow; be all thy chil - dren  
 well with joy - ful guests; and may each soul sal -  
 num - bers let them come and gath - er from their  
 world thy truth has run, till with this Bread shall

thith - er led, and let them thy sweet mer - cies know.  
 va - tion see, that here its sa - cred pledg - es tastes.  
 Fa - ther's board the Bread that lives be - yond the tomb,  
 all be blessed who see the light or feel the sun.

Words: Sts. 1-3, Philip Doddridge (1702-1751), alt.; st. 4, Isaac Watts (1674-1748), alt. Music: Rockingham, melody from *Second Supplement to Psalms to the Ministry*, ca. 1780; adapt. Edward Miller (1731-1807); harm. Samuel Webbe (1740-1816)

Communion Hymn "If thou but trust in God to guide thee" The Hymnal 1982 635

*Unison or harmony*

1 If thou but trust in God to guide thee, and hope in him through  
 2 Sing, pray, and keep his ways un - swerv - ing; so do thine own part

all thy ways, he'll give thee strength what - e'er be - tide thee,  
 faith - ful - ly, and trust his word, though un - de - serv - ing;

and bear thee through the e - vil days. Who trusts in God's un -  
 thou yet shalt find it true for thee; God nev - er yet for -

chang - ing love builds on a rock that nought can move.  
 sook in need the soul that trust - ed him in - deed.

Words: Georg Neumark (1621-1681); tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878), alt. Music: *Hier aus Leben Gott*, Georg Neumark (1621-1681)

Communion Hymn "Ubi caritas [Aia no e loa' a]" Wonder, Love, and Praise 831

*Descant*

U - bi ca - ri - tas et a - mor,  
 Ai - a nō e loa'a ke a - lo - ha

**A**

U - bi ca - ri - tas et a - mor,  
 Ai - a nō e loa'a ke a - lo - ha

u - bi ca - ri - tas De - us i - bi est,  
 Ai - a nō e loa'a ke A - kua nō.

**B**

u - bi ca - ri - tas De - us i <sup>3</sup> - bi est,  
 Ai - a nō e loa'a ke A - kua nō.

Translation: Where true charity and love abide, God is there.

*Bishop* Let us pray.

**Almighty and everliving God,  
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food  
of the most precious Body and Blood  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;  
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries  
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,  
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.  
And now, Father, send us out  
to do the work you have given us to do,  
to love and serve you  
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.  
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.**

### **The Blessing of the Oil for Chrismation**

*Bishop* Dear Friends in Christ:

In the beginning, the Spirit of God hovered over the creation; and, throughout history, God, by the gift of the Holy Spirit, has empowered his people to serve him. As a sign of that gift, the priests and kings of Israel were anointed with oil; and our Lord Jesus was himself anointed with the Holy Spirit at his Baptism as the Christ, God's own Messiah. At Baptism, Christians are likewise anointed by that same Spirit to empower them for God's service. Let us now set apart this oil to be the sign of that anointing.

Let us pray.

*Silence.*

*The Bishop then consecrates the oil of Chrism, saying:*

Eternal Father, whose blessed son was anointed by the Holy Spirit to be the Savior and servant of all, we pray you to consecrate this oil, that those who are sealed with it may share in the royal priesthood of Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, forever and ever. **Amen.**

*Clergy may receive the chrism after the service.*

*Bishop* Our help is in the Name of the Lord;  
*People* **The maker of heaven and earth.**

*Bishop* Blessed be the Name of the Lord;  
*People* **From this time forth for evermore.**

*Bishop* The blessing, mercy, and grace of God Almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon  
you, and remain with you forever. **Amen.**

*Deacon* Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord.  
*People* **Thanks be to God.**

**Closing Hymn in Procession**

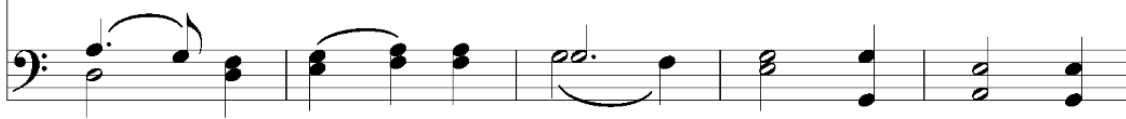
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1. Lord, you give the great com - mis - sion: "Heal the  
2. Lord, you call us to your ser - vice: "In my  
3. Lord, you make the com - mon ho - ly: "This my  
4. Lord, you show us love's true mea - sure: "Fa - ther,  
5. Lord, you bless with words 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. }  
 share your chil - dren's lib - er - ty. } With the Spir - it's  
 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.

