In Loving Memory
of
Lillian Jane Kline
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Noon
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Welcome to Saint Mark's!
This is Christ's church. There is a place for you here. Join us as we do God's work in Christ's name for the life of the world.

Our Mission: ***"To know Christ and to make Christ known."***



Please stand as you are able.

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PRELUDE *Sheep May Safely Graze* Johann Sebastian Bach

***INTRODUCTION**
Blessed be the God and Father
of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the source of all mercy
and the God of all consolation,
who comforts us in all our sorrows
so that we can comfort others in their sorrows
with the consolation we ourselves have received from God.
Amen.

***THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM**
All who are baptized into Christ have put on Christ.
In her baptism Jane was clothed with Christ.
In the day of Christ's coming,
she shall be clothed with glory.

***ACCLAMATION**
Eternal God, maker of heaven and earth, who formed us from the dust of the earth, who by your breath gave us life, we glorify you.
We glorify you.
Jesus Christ, the resurrection and the life, who suffered death for all humanity, who rose from the grave to open the way to eternal life, we praise you
We praise you.
Holy Spirit, author and giver of life, the comforter of all who sorrow, our sure confidence and everlasting hope, we worship you.
We worship you.
To you, O blessed Trinity, be glory and honor, forever and ever.
Amen.

*HYMN A Mighty Fortress Is Our God LBW "Green," 229



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REMEMBRANCES

***THE PRAYER OF THE DAY**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

O God of grace and glory, we remember before you today our sister, Jane. We thank you for giving her to us to know and to love as a companion in our pilgrimage on earth. In your boundless compassion, console us who mourn. Give us your aid, so we may see in death the gate to eternal life, that we may continue our course on earth in confidence until, by your call, we are reunited with those who have gone before us; through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

FIRST LESSON: **Proverbs 31:20, 25-31**

20 She opens her hand to the poor
and reaches out her hands to the needy.
25 Strength and dignity are her clothing,
and she laughs at the time to come.
26 She opens her mouth with wisdom,
and the teaching of kindness is on her tongue.
27 She looks well to the ways of her household
and does not eat the bread of idleness.
28 Her children rise up and call her happy;
her husband, too, and he praises her:
29 "Many women have done excellently,
but you surpass them all."
30 Charm is deceitful and beauty is vain,
but a woman who fears the LORD is to be praised.
31 Give her a share in the fruit of her hands,
and let her works praise her in the city gates.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 23

[1]The LORD | is my shepherd;
I shall not | be in want.
[2]He makes me lie down | in green pastures
and leads me be- | side still waters.
[3]He re- | vives my soul
and guides me along right pathways | for his name's sake.
[4]Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall | fear no evil;
for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they | comfort me.
[5]You spread a table before me in the presence of those who | trouble me;
you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is | running over.
[6]Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days | of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of the | LORD forever.

SECOND LESSON: Revelation 7:11-17

[11] And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God,
[12] singing,
"Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom
and thanksgiving and honor
and power and might
be to our God forever and ever! Amen."
[13] Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" [14] I said to him, "Sir, you are the one who knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.
[15] For this reason they are before the throne of God
and worship him day and night within his temple,
and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.
[16] They will hunger no more and thirst no more;
the sun will not strike them,
nor any scorching heat,
[17] for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd,
and he will guide them to springs of the water of life,
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."
The word of the Lord.

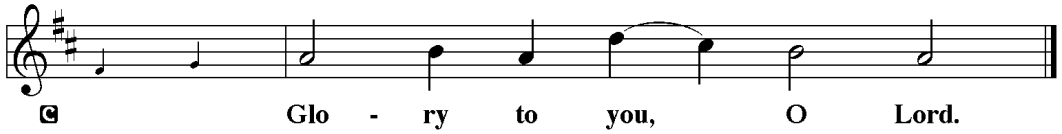
Thanks be to God.

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



*THE HOLY GOSPEL: JOHN 14:15-21

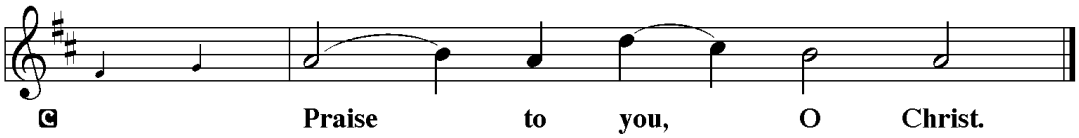
The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fourteenth chapter.



15 "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. 16 And I will ask the Father,
and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. 17 This is the Spirit
of truth, whom the world cannot receive because it neither sees him nor knows
him. You know him because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

18 "I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. 19 In a little while the
world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live.
20 On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you.
21 They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me, and
those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal
myself to them."

The Gospel of the Lord



THE SERMON

***HYMN God of Our Fathers LBW "Green," 567**



Text: Daniel C. Roberts, 1841–1907, alt.
Music: NATIONAL HYMN, George W. Warren, 1828–1902

***THE APOSTLES' CREED**

Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith:

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

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 into hell.

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.

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. Amen.

***PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION:**

Let us pray. Almighty God, you have knit your chosen people together in one communion, in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Give to your whole Church in heaven and on earth your light and your peace.

Hear us, Lord.

Grant that all who have been baptized into Christ's death and resurrection may die to sin and rise to newness of life and that through the grave and gate of death we may pass with him to our joyful resurrection.

Hear us, Lord.

Grant to us who are still in our pilgrimage, and who walk as yet by faith, that your Holy Spirit may lead us in holiness and righteousness all our days.

Hear us, Lord.

Grant to your faithful people pardon and peace, that we may be cleansed from all our sins and serve you with a quiet mind.

Hear us, Lord.

Grant to all who mourn a sure confidence in your loving care, that, casting all their sorrow on you, they may know the consolation of your love.

Hear us, Lord.

Give courage and faith to those who are bereaved, that they may have strength to meet the days ahead in the comfort of a holy and certain hope, and in the joyful expectation of eternal life with those they love.

Hear us, Lord.

Help us, we pray, in the midst of things we cannot understand, to believe and trust in the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, and the resurrection to life everlasting.

Hear us, Lord.

Grant us grace to entrust Jane to your never-failing love which sustained her in this life. Receive her into the arms of your mercy, and remember her according to the favor you bear for your people.

Hear us, Lord.

God of all grace, you sent your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to bring life and immortality to light. We give you thanks because by his death Jesus destroyed the power of death and by his resurrection has opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers. Make us certain that because he lives we shall live also, and that neither death nor life, nor things present nor things to come shall be able to separate us from your love which is in Christ Jesus our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

***THE PEACE**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

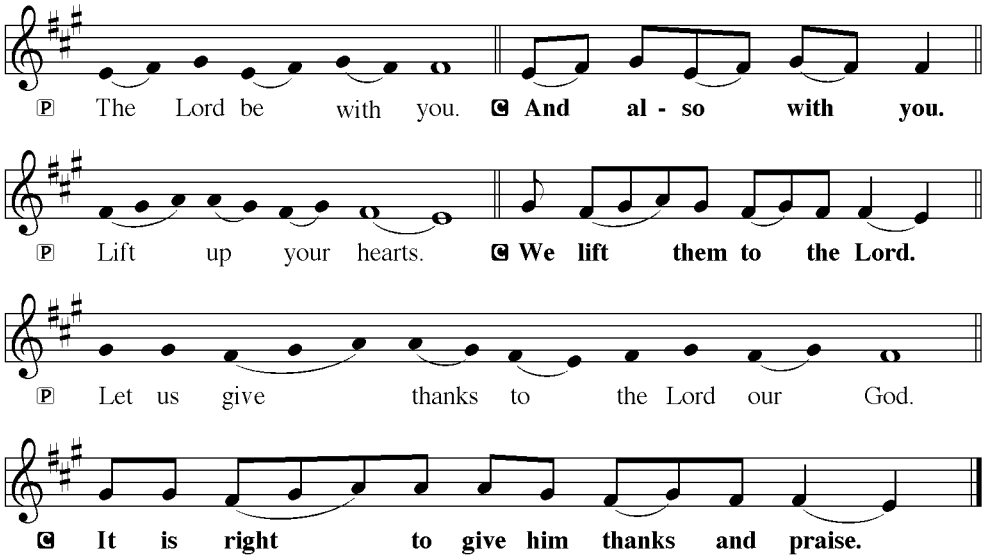
You may greet one another with these or similar words, and/or gestures of peace.

SOLO: *The Lord's Prayer* Meribeth Puckett

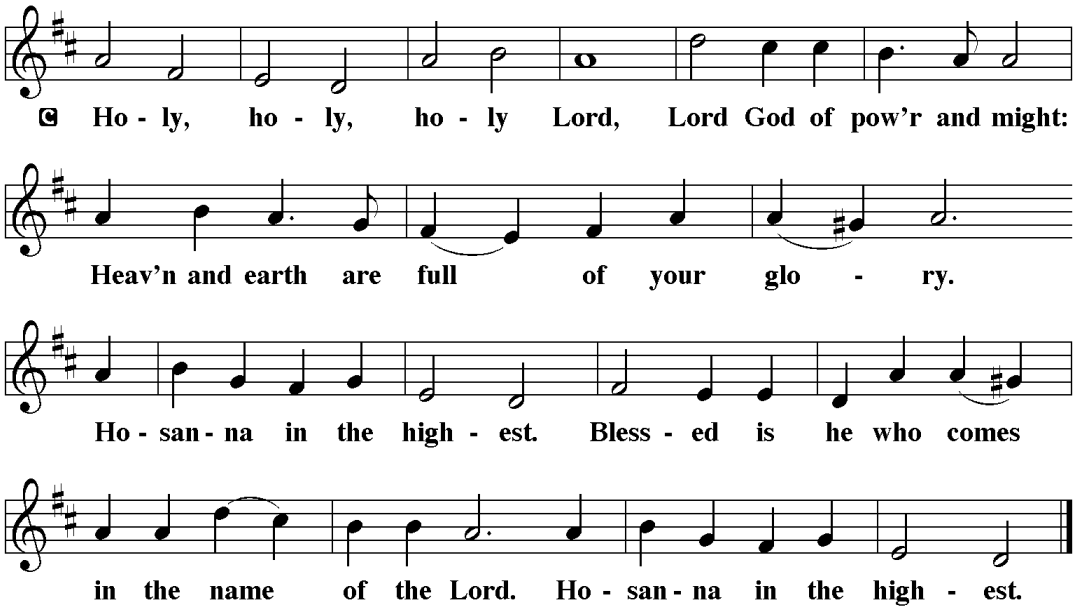
***OFFERING PRAYER**

Eternal God,
our time, talents, and treasures are gifts from you.
Receive what we offer,
and all that you entrust to us,
until hungry no more, all the world is fed,
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord; who rose from the dead, and in whom our hope of resurrection dawns. The sting of death has been removed by the glorious promise of his risen life. And so, with the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

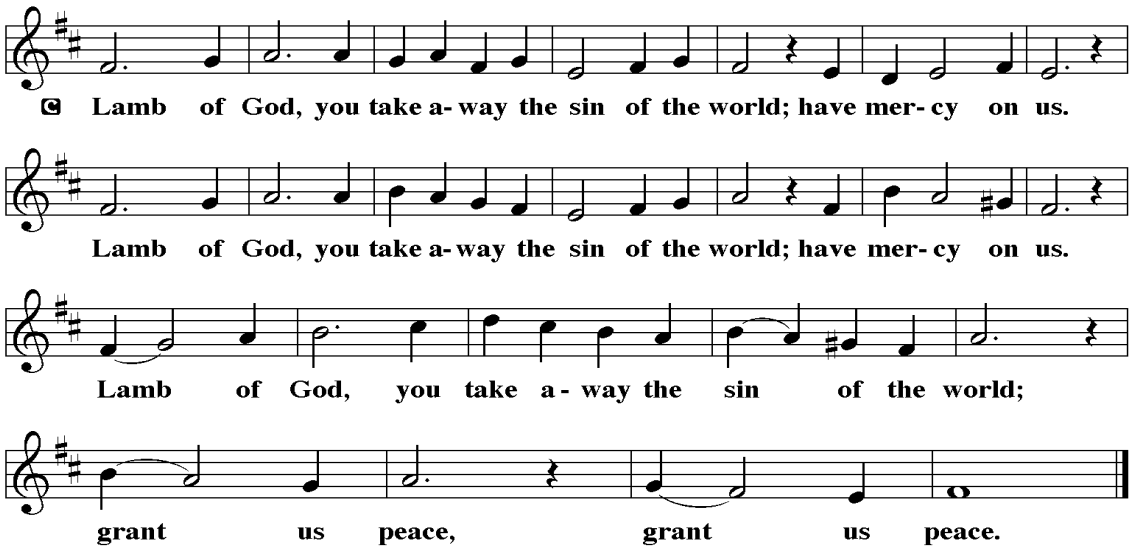


In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.
Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.
With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's passover
from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith:
Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.
God of resurrection and new life:
Pour out Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and wine.
Bless this feast.
Grace our table with your presence.
Come Holy Spirit.
Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread.
Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world.
Breathe new life into us.
Send us forth, burning with justice, peace and love.
Come Holy Spirit.
With Jane and all your holy ones
of all time and places,
with the earth and all its creatures,
with sun and moon and stars,
we praise you, O God,
blessed and holy Trinity,
now and forever.
Amen.

***OUR LORD'S PRAYER**
Lord remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:
Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
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

*LAMB OF GOD



*INVITATION TO COMMUNE

In bread and cup the reign of Christ is breaking in.
Come, receive what Christ has prepared.

THE COMMUNION

All are welcome to commune at our Lord's Table

Persons may come forward to the chancel to receive Holy Communion.

- *Communicants are asked to come forward from the center aisle as directed by ushers, take a cup from the tray provided and receive the bread from Pastor Kliner.*

- *Once receiving the bread, communicants will proceed to one of two stations (left or right) to receive wine from the pouring chalice.*
- *After receiving wine, communicants will place the empty cup in the designated tray and return to their pew by way of the side aisles.*

***PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

The body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

Amen.

Let us pray. We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one and other; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

***COMMENDATION**

Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servant Jane. Acknowledge we humbly beseech you, sheep of your own fold, a lamb of your own flock, a sinner of your own redeeming. Receive her into the arms of mercy, the blessed rest of everlasting peace, and the glorious company of the saints in light.

Amen.

***THE BLESSING**

Almighty God, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

Amen.

*HYMN Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds LBW "Green," 143



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A BRIEF WORD OF INSTRUCTION

POSTLUDE *Toccata from Symphony V* Charles-Marie Widor

Leading Us in Worship this Day:

Organist: Sam Robinson
Lectors: Mike Merrifield and Matthew A. Alt
Communion Assistants: Micah C. Alt and Madeline Jane Alt
Ushers: Mel Wentzel & Mindy Wentzel
Preacher/Celebrant: The Rev. Gerald Kliner

Many important events in our lives take place in the church: Baptism, Confirmation, Marriage, Communion,
meals, fellowship, and worship week by week.
Now also at the time of death,
we gather again to recall our Baptism,
to celebrate the new life in Christ,
and to thank God for the life of Jane Kline
as she lived and worked with us.



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