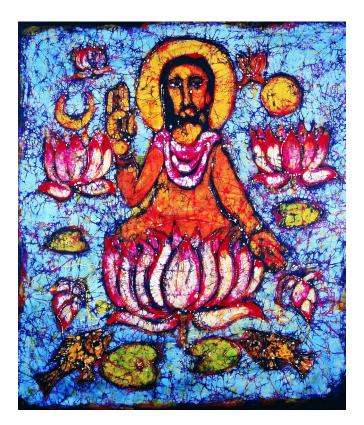
Holy Eucharist With Baptism The Seventh Sunday After Pentecost

July 27, 2025—10:00 a.m.



Saint Luke's Episcopal Church

Los Gatos, California

The Holy Eucharist

Prelude

O Trinity, O Blessed Light

Robert Farlee

Opening Hymn 410

"Praise, my soul, the King of Heaven"



- 1 Praise, my soul, the King of hea ven; to his feet thy tri-bute bring;
- 2 Praise him for his grace and fa vor to his peo-ple in dis tress;
- 3 Fa ther like he tends and spares us; well our fee ble frame he knows;
- 4 An-gels, help us to a dore him; ye be holdhim face to face;



ran-somed, healed, re-stored, for - giv-en, ev - er - more his prais - es sing: still the same as ev - er. chide, and swift to bless: praise him slow to in his hand he gen - tly bears us, res-cues us from all our foes. moon, bow down be - fore him, dwell-ers and all in time and sun space.

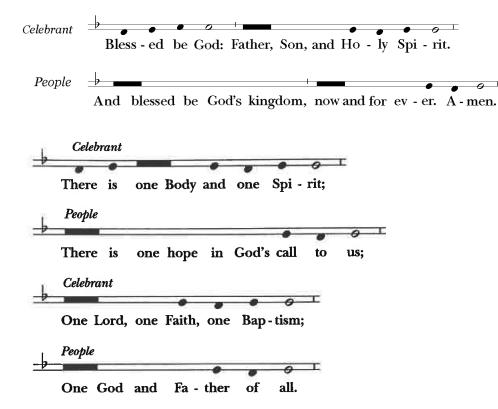


Al-le - lu-ia, al-le - lu-ia! Praise the ev-er-last-ing King.

Al-le - lu-ia, al-le - lu-ia! Glo-rious in his faith-ful - ness. Al-le - lu-ia, al-le - lu-ia! Wide-ly yet his mer-cy flows.

Al-le - lu-ia, al-le - lu-ia! Praise with us the God of grace.

Opening Acclamation



The Collect for Purity

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 Gloria





The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you. People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**.

The Liturgy of the Word

The First Lesson Genesis 18:20–32

A Reading from the Book of Genesis.

The Lord said to Abraham, "How great is the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah and how very grave their sin! I must go down and see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me; and if not, I will know."

So the men turned from there, and went toward Sodom, while Abraham remained standing before the Lord. Then Abraham came near and said, "Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city; will you then sweep away the place and not forgive it for the fifty righteous who are in it? Far be it from you to do such a thing, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?" And the Lord

said, "If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will forgive the whole place for their sake." Abraham answered, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord, I who am but dust and ashes. Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?" And he said, "I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there." Again he spoke to him, "Suppose forty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of forty I will not do it." Then he said, "Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak. Suppose thirty are found there." He answered, "I will not do it, if I find thirty there." He said, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord. Suppose twenty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it." Then he said, "Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak just once more. Suppose ten are found there." He answered, "For the sake of ten I will not destroy it."

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

Psalm 138

- I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my whole heart; * before the gods I will sing your praise.
- I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your Name, * because of your love and faithfulness;
- 3 For you have glorified your Name * and your word above all things.
- When I called, you answered me; * you increased my strength within me.
- 5 All the kings of the earth will praise you, O Lord, * when they have heard the words of your mouth.
- 6 They will sing of the ways of the Lord, * that great is the glory of the Lord.
- 7 Though the Lord be high, he cares for the lowly; * he perceives the haughty from afar.

- 8 Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; * you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand shall save me.
- 9 The Lord will make good his purpose for me; *
 O Lord, your love endures for ever;
 do not abandon the works of your hands.

The Second Lesson

Colossians 2:6–19

A Reading from the Letter to the Colossians.

As you have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ. For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority. In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by putting off the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ; when you were buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. And when you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross. He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it.

Therefore do not let anyone condemn you in matters of food and drink or of observing festivals, new moons, or sabbaths. These are only a shadow of what is to come, but the substance belongs to Christ. Do not let anyone disqualify you, insisting on self-abasement and worship of angels, dwelling on visions, puffed up without cause by a human way of thinking, and not holding fast to the head, from whom the whole body, nourished and held together by its ligaments and sinews, grows with a growth that is from God.

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

Gospel Hymn 615

"Thy kingdom come!"



- 1 "Thy king dom come!" on bend ed knee the pass ing a ges pray;
- 2 But the slow watch es of the night not less to God be long;
- 3 And lo, al rea dy on the hills the flags of dawn ap pear;
 - the day to whose clear shin-ing light all wrong shall stand re vealed,
- 5 when know-ledge, hand in hand with peace, shall walk the earth a broad;



- 1 and faith-ful souls have yearned to see on earth that king-dom's day.
- 2 and for the ev er last ing right the si lent stars are strong.
- <u>3</u> gird up your loins, ye pro phet souls, pro-claim the day is near:
- 4 when jus-tice shall be throned in might, and ev-ery hurt be healed;
- 5 the day of per-fect right-eous-ness, the prom-ised day of God.

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The Holy Gospel

Luke 11:1-13

Clergy The Holy Gospel of our Lord

Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples." He said to them, "When you pray, say:

Father, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come.

Give us each day our daily bread.

And forgive us our sins,

for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us.

And do not bring us to the time of trial."

And he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, `Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.' And he answers from within, `Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.' I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.

"So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

Clergy The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. Ricardo Avila

Holy Baptism

Presentation and Examination of the Candidates

Priest The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Parents &

Godparents I present Emma Grace Morgan to receive the Sacrament of

Baptism.

The Priest then asks the Parents and Godparents

Priest Will you be responsible for seeing that this child you present will

be brought up in the Christian faith and life?

God/parents I will, with God's help.

Priest Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into

the full stature of Christ?

God/parents I will, with God's help.

Then the Priest asks the following questions of the parents and godparents who speak on behalf of the infant.

Priest Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of

wickedness that rebel against God?

God/parents I renounce them.

Priest Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt

and destroy the creatures of God?

God/parents I renounce them.

Priest Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the

love of God?

God/parents I renounce them.

Priest Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

God/parents I do.

Priest Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

God/parents I do.

Priest Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

God/parents I do.

The Priest then addresses the congregation.

Priest Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to

support this person in her life in Christ?

People We will.

Priest Let us join with this child who is committing herself to Christ

and renew our own baptismal covenant.

The Baptismal Covenant

Do you believe in God the Father? Celebrant

People I believe in God, the Father almighty,

creator of heaven and earth.

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

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

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.

Celebrant 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, Celebrant

in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

I will, with God's help. People

Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, Celebrant

repent and return to the Lord?

I will, with God's help. People

Celebrant Will you proclaim by word and example

the Good News of God in Christ?

I will, with God's help. People

Celebrant Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons,

loving your neighbor as yourself?

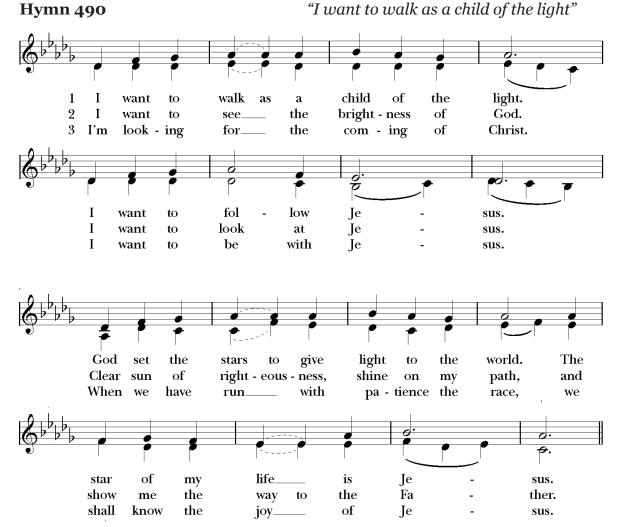
People I will, with God's help.

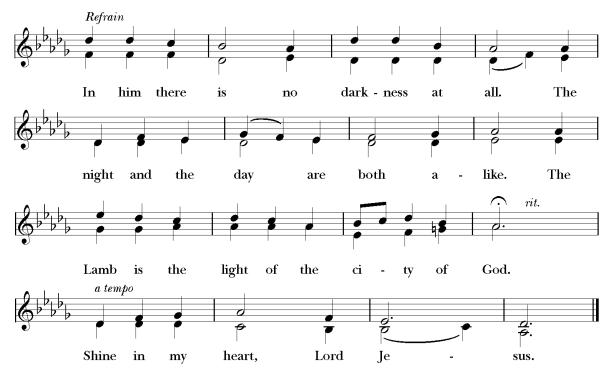
Celebrant Will you strive for justice and peace among all people,

and respect the dignity of every human being?

People I will, with God's help.

During the following hymn, the baptismal party processes to the baptismal font.





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Prayers for the Candidate

Priest Let us now pray for this person who is to receive the Sacrament of

new birth.

Leader Deliver her, O God, from the way of sin and death.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Open her heart to your grace and truth.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Fill her with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Keep her in the faith and communion of your

holy Church.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Teach her to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Send her into the world in witness to your love.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Bring her to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Priest Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of

Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory;

who lives and reigns now and for ever.

People Amen.

Thanksgiving Over the Water

Priest The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.

Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Baptism

The candidate is baptized with holy water.

Priest Emma, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and

of the Holy Spirit.

People Amen.

The candidate is annointed with holy chrism.

Priest Emma, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as

Christ's own for ever.

People Amen.

Priest Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon this your servant the forgiveness of sin, and have raised her to the new life of grace. Sustain her, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give her an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **Amen.**

A candle is lighted from the Paschal Candle and given to the newly baptized.

Priest Receive the light of Christ and let your light so shine before all

that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in

heaven.

Priest Let us welcome the newly baptized.

All We receive you into the household of God. Confess the

faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and

share with us in his eternal priesthood.

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Prayers of the People are omitted on this day, but your prayer slip petitions will be prayed for during announcements.

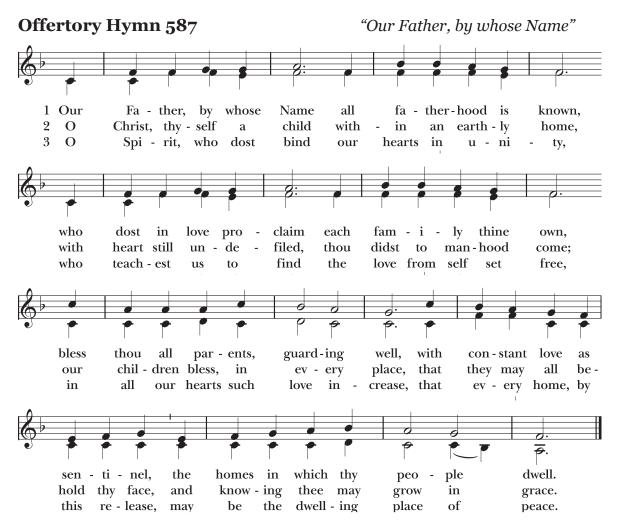
The Peace

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

Welcome and Announcements

The Holy Communion



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Prayers Over the Gifts

Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the splendor, and the majesty. For everything in heaven and on earth is yours. All things come from you, **and of your own have we given you. Amen.**

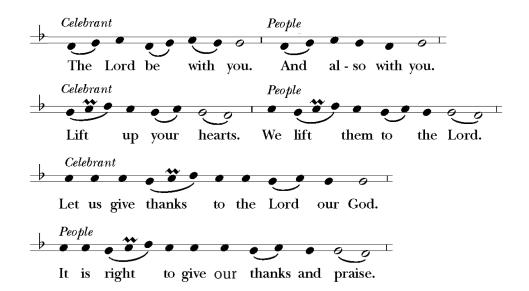
Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation; through your goodness we have this bread to offer, which earth has given and human hands have made. It will become for us the Bread of Heaven. **Blessed be God for ever.**

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation; through your goodness we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine and work of human hands. It will become for us the Cup of Salvation. **Blessed be God for ever.**

Pray, friends, that this our sacrifice may be acceptable to God the Father Almighty. May the Lord receive this sacrifice at your hands, to the praise and glory of God's Name, both to our benefit and that of all God's Holy Church. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

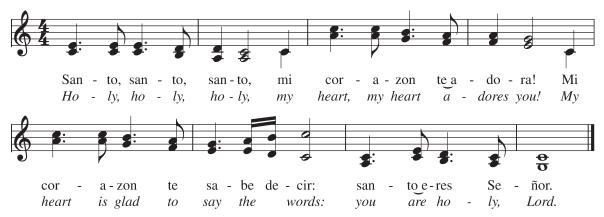


It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world.

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

Sanctus WLP 785

Sing first in Spanish, then in English.



Words: Variation on a traditional liturgical text. Music: Composer of melody unknown; arr. based on a two-part version as taught by Pablo D. Sosa (b. 1933).

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:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

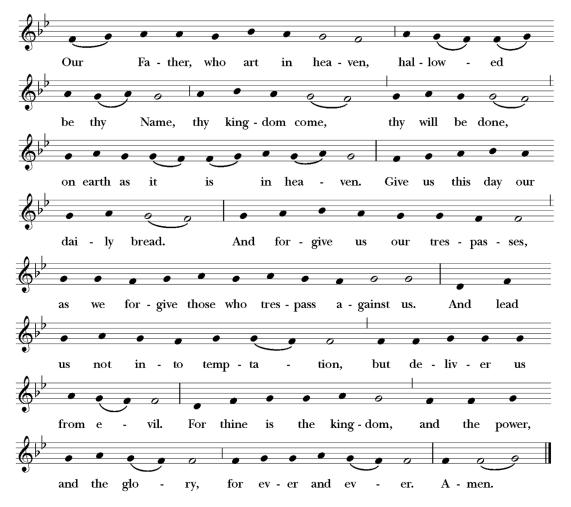
We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

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 for ever. **Amen**.

The Lord's Prayer

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



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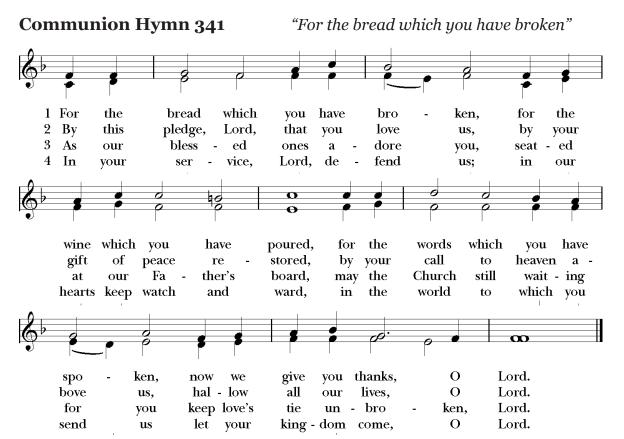
The Breaking of the Bread

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.

Those receiving Holy Communion may partake of both bread and wine or in just one kind. If partaking from the chalice, please only drink, do not dip your wafer into the cup. You may also touch the wafer to the outside of the chalice if desired. If you wish to receive a Blessing rather than Communion, come forward and stand or kneel with your arms crossed over your chest.



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Post-Communion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

Said by all
Loving God, we give you thanks
for restoring us in your image
and nourishing us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.
Now send us forth
a people, forgiven, healed, renewed;
that we may proclaim your love to the world
and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Blessing

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you, and remain with you always. **Amen**.



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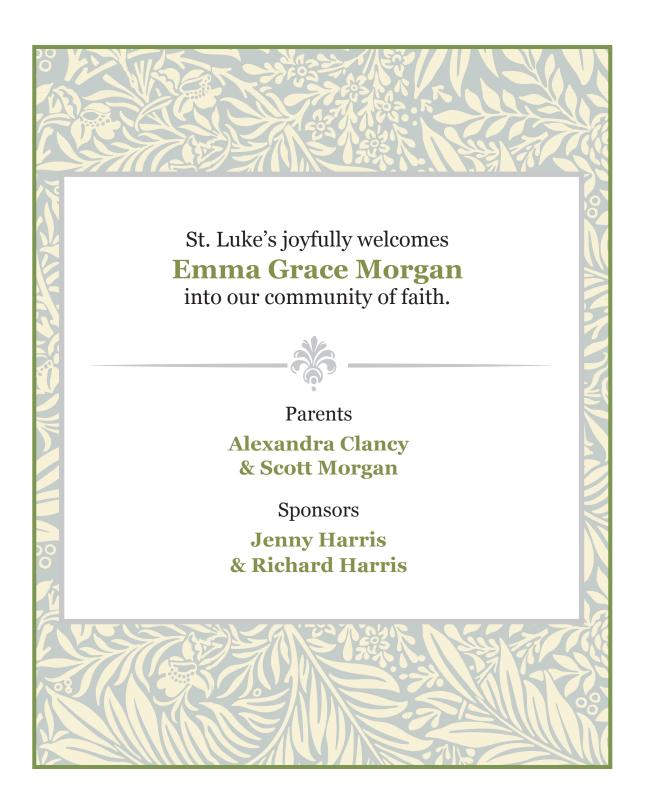
The clergy dismisses the People and they respond

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Children of the Heavenly Father

J. Wayne Kerr





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