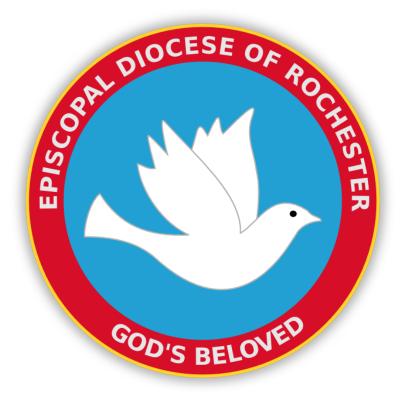
RENEWAL OF VOWS

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THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF ROCHESTER

WHO ARE THE MINISTERS OF THE CHURCH?

THE MINISTERS OF THE CHURCH ARE LAY PERSONS, BISHOPS, PRIESTS, AND DEACONS.

-From the Catechism, BCP 855

Processional Hymn The people stand, as able.



Opening Acclamation The people remain standing, as able.

Celebrant Blessed be the God of our salvation:

People Who bears our burdens and forgives our sins.

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 Collect for Renewal

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, giver of all good gifts, in your divine providence you have appointed various orders of ministers in your Church: Give your grace, we humbly pray, to all who are called to any office and ministry for your people; and so fill them with the truth of your doctrine, and clothe them with holiness of life, that they may faithfully serve before you, to the glory of your great Name and for the benefit of your holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Lessons The people sit.

Old Testament Lesson Isaiah 58.6-12

Then say to them, Thus says the Lord God: I will take the people of Israel from the nations among which they have gone, and will gather them from every quarter, and bring them to their own land. I will make them one nation in the land, on the mountains of Israel; and one king shall be king over them all. Never again shall they be two nations, and never again shall they be divided into two kingdoms. They shall never again defile themselves with their idols and their detestable things, or with any of their transgressions. I will save them from all the apostasies into which they have fallen, and will cleanse them. Then they shall be my people, and I will be their God. My servant David shall be king over them; and they shall all have one shepherd. They shall follow my ordinances and be careful to observe my statutes. They shall live in the land that I gave to my servant Jacob, in which your ancestors lived; they and their children and their children's children shall live there forever; and my servant David shall be their prince forever. I will make a covenant of peace with them; it shall be an everlasting covenant with them; and I will bless them and multiply them, and will set my sanctuary among them forevermore. My dwelling place shall be with them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. Then the nations shall know that I the Lord sanctify Israel, when my sanctuary is among them forevermore.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Psalter

Psalm 85.1-7, Benedixisti, Domine

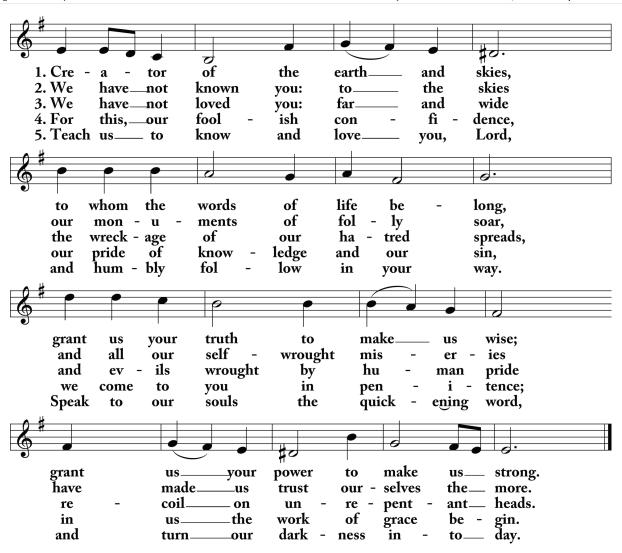


- 1 You have been gracious to your land, O /Lord, * you have restored the good fortune of /Jacob.
- 2 You have forgiven the iniquity of your /people * and blotted out all their /sins.
- 3 You have withdrawn all your /fury * and turned yourself from your wrathful indig/nation.
- 4 Restore us then, O God our /Savior; * let your anger depart from /us.

- 5 Will you be displeased with us for /ever? * will you prolong your anger from age to /age?
- 6 Will you not give us life a/gain, * that your people may rejoice in /you?
- 7 Show us your mercy, O /Lord, * and grant us your sal/vation.

Sequence Hymn

Creator of the earth and skies, 1982 Hymnal 148



The Gospel John 11.45-53

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him. But some of them went to the Pharisees and told them what he had done. So the chief priests and the Pharisees called a meeting of the council, and said, 'What are we to do? This man is performing many signs. If we let him go on like this, everyone will believe in him, and the Romans will come and destroy both our holy place* and our nation.' But one of them, Caiaphas, who was high priest that year, said to them, 'You know nothing at all! You do not understand that it is better for you to have one man die for the people than to have the whole nation destroyed.' He did not say this on his own, but being high priest that year he prophesied that Jesus was about to die for the nation, and not for the nation only, but to gather into one the dispersed children of God. So from that day on they planned to put him to death.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

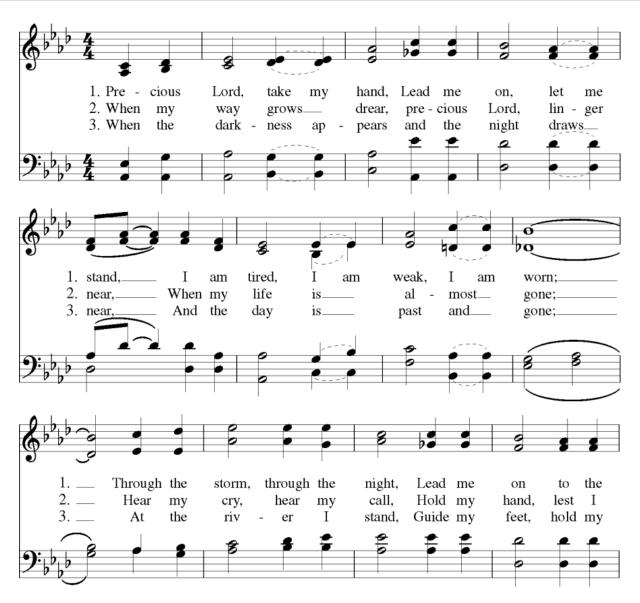
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Homily The people sit.

Mtr. Christa Moore-Levesque

Hymn The people stand, as able.

Take my hand, precious Lord, LEVAS 106





The Homily The people sit.

Fr. Chris Streeter

A Renewal of Baptismal Vows The people stand, as able.

Celebrant Through the Paschal mystery, dear friends, we are buried with Christ by Baptism into his death, and raised with him to newness of life. I call upon you, therefore, amidst our Lenten observance, to renew the solemn promises and vows of Holy Baptism, by which we once renounced Satan and all his works, and promised to serve God faithfully in his holy Catholic Church.

Celebrant Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

People I do.

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Celebrant 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.

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. Celebrant 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.

Celebrant 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.

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

People I will, with God's help.

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.

The laity are seated.

A Reaffirmation of Ordination Vows The clergy remain standing, as 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.

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

Clergy I do.

Bishop 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.

Bishop 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.

Bishop 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.

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

The people stand, as able.

Bishop The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All And also with you.

The Holy Communion

The Offertory

Offertory Hymn The people stand, as able.

Seek ye first



The Great Thanksgiving

Enriching Our Worship, Prayer I

The Sursum Corda The people stand, as able.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

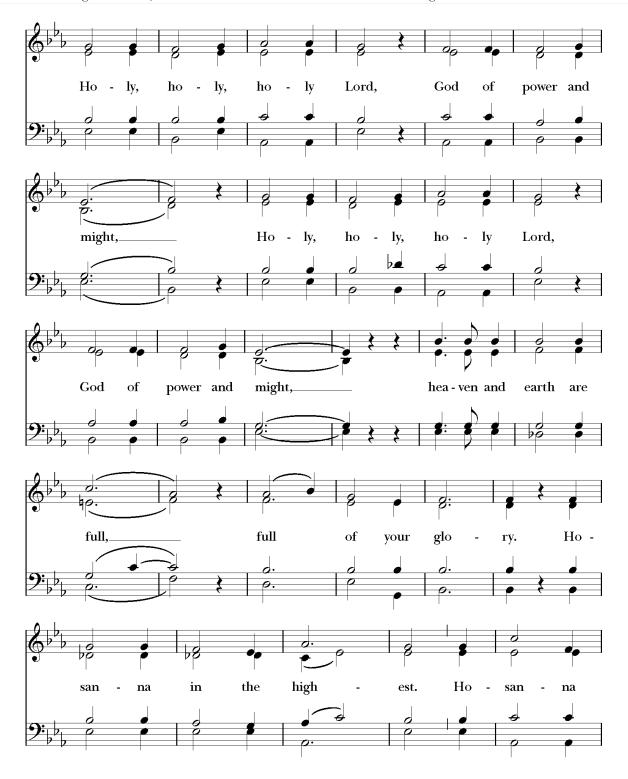
Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, the true and living God, Creator of heaven and earth.

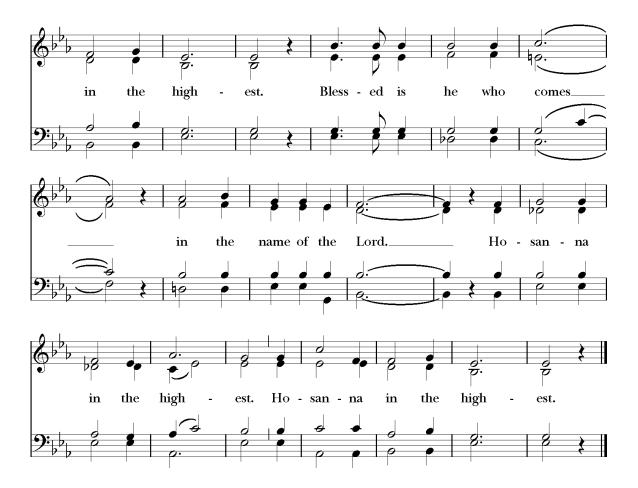
Proper Preface

You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

The Sanctus Hymnal S-130

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:





The people may stand or kneel.

Celebrant Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus.

Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Celebrant Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

Celebrant Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Spirit, all honor and glory are yours, Creator eternal, now and for ever.

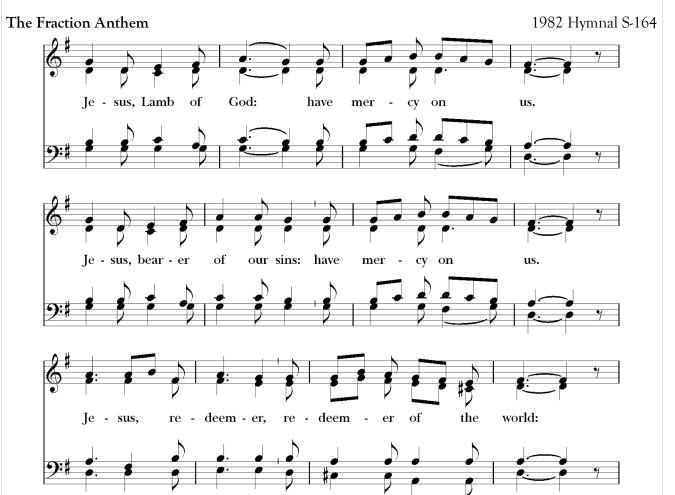
The People respond in a loud voice: **AMEN!**

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, and in the language of our hearts, we pray together, Our Father,

All Together 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.

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.



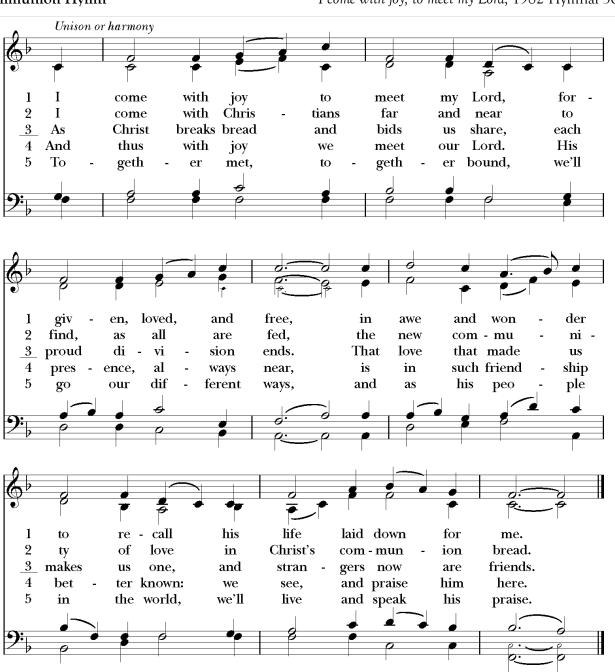


Celebrant Behold the mystery of Incarnation; behold Christ in bread and wine.

People May the Word become flesh in us. Amen.

Communion Hymn

I come with joy, to meet my Lord, 1982 Hymnal 304





Post Communion Prayer The people stand, as able.

Celebrant Let us pray.

We thank you, holy Lord,

All Together Creator eternal. Through no merit of our own you have made us worthy to be nourished with the most precious Body and Blood of Christ Jesus our Savior. May this heavenly food be for us an armor of faith, and a shield of good will. May it increase in us charity, patience, humility, and your way of self-denial. Above all, may this food make us to become nourishment for all others, that your life-giving presence would be made known through us, to your praise and glory. Amen.

The Blessing of the Oils

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.

It is also by grace that our Lord brought forth healing for those who came to him with faith. Those who touched his garments, received the laying on of hands, and trusted the power of God at work in Jesus, many were restored in their bodies, having been renewed in their souls.

Let us now set apart these oils to be signs of healing and anointing.

The Blessing of Chrism Oil

Bishop Let us pray.

Eternal God, your eternal Word 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, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Blessing of Healing Oil

Bishop Let us pray.

Blessed are you, O God, source of life and health. In Jesus you became flesh and came to know the depth of human suffering. You sent the disciples to heal those who were sick. Sanctify this oil that all who are anointed with it may be healed, strengthened, and renewed, by the power of your Holy Spirit. Amen.

Healing Prayer is Offered

Bishop Singh will offer healing prayer during Communion. All are invited to come for prayers of healing and anointing.

The Bishop's Prayer for the Church

Dismissal

Deacon Go in peace to Love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.



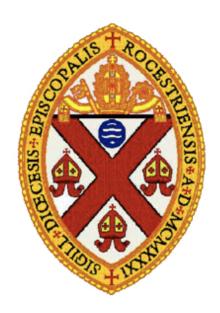


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