The opening music offers a time for prayer and meditation. Please silence all devices.

COLLECT

Hark, how the gladsome tidings come to all who heed
The voice of Christ, the risen Lord, who smiles and speaks:
All glory, laud, and honor to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and ever.

FIRST READING

The Word of the Lord.

People Amen.

PSALM

(Psalm 66:1-11 sung by all)

Choir 1 Be joyful in God, all you / lands. *
2 Sing to God, * How awesome he is in his / do- / vices!
3 All the earth / bows / down be- / fore you. *
4 Sing to / you, sing / out your / Name." *
5 Come now and see the / works of / God, *
6 For you, O / God, have / proved us; *
7 Bless our / God, you / peoples; *
8 Who holds our / souls in / life, *
9 For you, O / God, have / proved us; *
10 You brought us / into / the / snare; *
11 You let enemies ride over our heads; we went through / fire and / water; *

Second Reading

1 Peter 5:6-11

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Instrumentalists and members of the Handbell Choir are invited forward.

Let us pray.

People There 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 everyone.

Celebrant Look with favor upon those whom you have called, O Lord, that they may be so filled with your Holy Spirit that, seeking your glory, they may minister your Word with steadfast devotion, through Christ our Savior.

People Amen.
The common loaf is gluten-free. Please remain standing or kneel, according to your custom.

Celebrant Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; …

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

Celebrant We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father…

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

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

Eucharistic Prayer A

The prayer may be followed in the BCP on p. 361.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

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, Father Almighty; Creator of heaven and earth…

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 & Benedictus

sung by all Richard Proulx

All Praise to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

The gifts of God for the People of God.

O Lord, who gave to your people bread from heaven and water from the rock, give to your flock, your people, spiritual food in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

AZMON

Voluntary Chariots of Fire

You are invited to follow the clergy and choir to the marathon route during the voluntary for the final blessing and dismissal.

Blessing and Dismissal

Deacon Our worship here is ended; now let our service begin.

People Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Today we pray with Max, Gillian, Jim, Ginny, Wimp, Mae, Burt, Don, Erica, Bill, Kathleen, Mildred, Joan, Patricia, Norma, Amy, Kay, Jack, Irene, Mary Ellen, George, the Bushiri family, Monica, Steve, Gimmy and Jack, Camille, Susan, Christopher, Tom Stanley and his platoon serving in Iraq, Sydney, Sara, Caroline, Hank, Sandy, refugees and those who serve them, all whose lives have been shattered by violence and injustice, the system that treats and supports those who live with mental illness, and those you would add.

Altar Flowers In thanksgiving for the lives of Debbie Pilacinski, Tom Woelfel, Bert Smith, Tom Stanley and his platoon serving in Iraq, Sydney, Sara, Caroline, Hank, Sandy, refugees and those who serve them, all whose lives have been shattered by violence and injustice, the system that treats and supports those who live with mental illness, and those you would add.

Assisting in the Service

Celebrant & Preacher The Reeverd Jered Weber-Johnson

Deacon The Reverend Margaret Thor

Altar Guild Heather Joyce, Kathy Brown, Sue Cadwell, Shiree Gooch, Sabine Krull, Pam Stalom

Adult Choir Jayson R. Engquist, Director of Music & Organist

Handbell Choir Jayson R. Engquist, Director

Acolytes Thea Bischof, Tessa Johnson, Maren Johnson, Jayson R. Engquist, Director

Readers Stil Thompson, Lyelle Palmer

Verger Keith Davis

Usheers & Greeters Julia Ferguson & Rick Rinkoff, John MacBain, Sally Sand, Bob Baumann, Vern Kassekert, Judy Southwick

Coffee Hour Carole Selin

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Sending Forth Our Eucharistic Visitors

Celebrant In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ’s body and blood.

People We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.

Post Communion Prayer said by all, kneeling or standing

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Please stand as able for the closing hymn.