



Southeastern Pennsylvania Synod
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
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HOLY COMMUNION

with rite of installation for Bishop
The Rev. Patricia Ann Curtis Davenport

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Philadelphia PA



THE FIFTH BISHOP OF THE
SOUTHEASTERN PENNSYLVANIA SYNOD

The Reverend Patricia Ann Curtis Davenport

The Rev. Patricia Ann Curtis Davenport assumed office as bishop of the Southeastern Pennsylvania Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) on August 1, 2018.

Overwhelmingly elected by the Synod Assembly on May 5, 2018, she is the first African-American woman to be elected a bishop in the 4-million-member ELCA.

“Southeastern Pennsylvania Synod is already a great synod, and our mantra is we can do more together than we can alone,” Bishop Davenport says. “I believe I was elected because I lifted up: We can do more, and we can do it together. How do we move from the mentality of ‘the church is declining, the church is declining,’ to building up the kingdom of God? That’s what we’re called to do.”

At the time of her election, Bishop Davenport served the Synod as Director for Evangelical Mission and Assistant to the Bishop, with responsibilities for new and redeveloping congregations, congregational vitality, and urban ministries.

Bishop Davenport is a member of Spirit and Truth Worship Center, Yeadon, which she served as its founding pastor/developer. She received the master of divinity degree from the former Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia, now United Lutheran Seminary. She received a Certificate in Black Church Concentration from the seminary’s Urban Theological Institute and is a certified ELCA Level One Coach.

She has served the national church in a variety of capacities, including co-chair of the ELCA’s Guiding Coalition, member of the Congregational Vitality and African Descent Strategy teams, and secretary of the board of Lutheran Services in America. She is a lifetime member of the Philadelphia chapter of the African Descent Lutheran Association and is active with the Black Clergy of Philadelphia, Metropolitan Christian Council, the Religious Leaders Council of Greater Philadelphia and Vicinity, and Christians United Against Addictions.

She is the widow of Joel Davenport, with three adult children: Joel, Shanena and Jamar; and seven grandchildren, Joel III, Dominic, Chance, Cristian, Kayden, Justice and Kaleb.

Gathering

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God

Prelude

Those playing today are Mike Zdilla, Eliot Keener, Ron Mizel, and Chrys Masciantonio from Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in Wallingford.

<i>Morning Has Broken</i>	arr. Cat Stevens	<i>Borning Cry</i>	Original Arrangement
<i>Boureen in D Minor</i>	arr. Jethro Tull	<i>You Are Mine</i>	Haas, GIA Publications
<i>On Eagle's Wings</i>	arr. Josh Groban		

Processional

1. We've Come This Far By Faith

We've come this far by faith
Leaning on the Lord
Trusting in his Holy Word
He's never failed me yet
Oh, Oh-Oh-Oh, Oh-Oh-Oh
Can't turn around
We've come this far by faith.

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2. Blessed Be the Name of the Lord

Blessed be the name of the Lord
He is worthy to be praised and adored
So let's lift up holy hands on one accord
Singing Blessed be the name
Blessed be the name
Blessed be the name of the Lord.

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3. A Mighty Fortress is Our God

God's word for ever shall abide
No thanks to foes who fear it
For God him-self fights by our side
With weapons of the Spirit
Were they to take our house,
Goods, honor, child, or spouse,
Though life be wrenched away
They cannot win the day. The Kingdom's
ours forever

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4. Hallelujah, Oh Lord We Praise Your Name

Hallelu, Hallelujah, Oh Lord we praise
your name...
All the glory, All the Praise, Praise, Praise
Oh Lord we praise your name...
Hallelu, Hallelujah, Oh Lord we praise
your name...
Oh Lord we praise your name...

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5. Ps. 117: Praise the Lord All Ye Nations

Oh, Oh, Praise the Lord; all ye nations
Praise Him, all ye people
For His merciful kindness is great towards
us
And the Truth of the Lord, endureth
forever
Praise ye, the Lord!

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6. Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart

Give thanks with a grateful heart
Give thanks to the Holy One
Give thanks because He's given
Jesus Christ, His son
And now let the weak say, "I am strong"
Let the poor say, "I am rich"
Because of what the Lord has done for us

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7. Every Mountain

For every mountain, you've brought me over; for every trial, you've seen me through;
Every Blessing, Hallelujah
For this I give your praise.
For every mountain, you've brought me over; for every trial, you've seen me through;
Every Blessing, Hallelujah
For this I give your praise.
For every mountain, you've brought me over; for every trial, you've seen me through;
Every Blessing, Hallelujah
For this I give your praise.

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Litany of Celebration

The assembly stands as the Presiding Bishop leads us in praise

Praise God, who makes us anew every day!

Hallelujah!

God, you carried us over tall mountains.

That's why we praise you!

You brought us out of shadowed valleys.

That's why we praise you!

You provided for us when we were in need.

That's why we praise you!

You rescued us when we were in trouble.

That's why we praise you!

You led us this far by faith: all the way to this day of sacred celebration.

Hallelujah!

Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you.

And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, through your Son Jesus Christ you gave the holy apostles many gifts and commanded them to feed your flock. Inspire all pastors and deacons to proclaim your word diligently and your people to receive it willingly, that finally we may receive the crown of eternal glory; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Liturgical Dance Ministry

Jesus Be a Fence

Fred Hammond

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Pouring of Libations

The Rev. Stephen Marsh

In African cultures, the ritual of pouring libations is an essential ceremonial tradition and a way of giving homage to the ancestors. Ancestors are not only respected in these cultures, but also invited to participate in all public functions. The substance which is poured may vary. It may be water, wine, grains (like rice) or sand. A prayer is offered in the form of libations, calling the ancestors to attend. The ritual is generally performed by an elder. The response to each libation petition is Ashe (pronounced ASHAY).

Word

The Holy Spirit speaks to us in scripture, preaching and song

First Reading

Isaiah 42:5-9

A reading from the book of Isaiah,

Thus says God, the LORD,
who created the heavens and stretched them out,
who spread out the earth and what comes from it,
who gives breath to the people upon it
and spirit to those who walk in it:

I am the LORD, I have called you in righteousness,
I have taken you by the hand and kept you;
I have given you as a covenant to the people,
a light to the nations,
to open the eyes that are blind,
to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon,
from the prison those who sit in darkness.
I am the LORD, that is my name;
my glory I give to no other,
nor my praise to idols.
See, the former things have come to pass,
and new things I now declare;
before they spring forth,
I tell you of them.

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God!

Second Reading

Ephesians 3:14-21

A reading from the Paul's Letter to the Ephesians,

For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

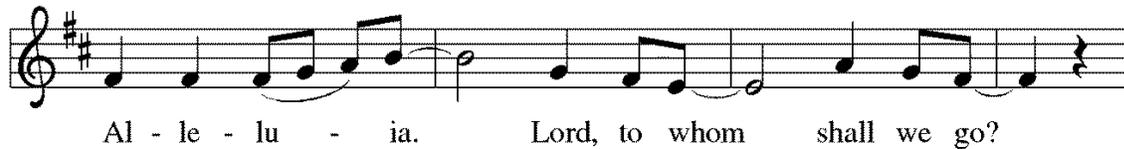
Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, for ever and ever. Amen.

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God!

Gospel Acclamation

The assembly stands to welcome the gospel



Gospel Reading

Luke 4:16-21

The Holy Gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone. When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: “The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.” And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, “Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon Anthem

Total Praise

SEPA Consecration Choir

Richard Smallwood

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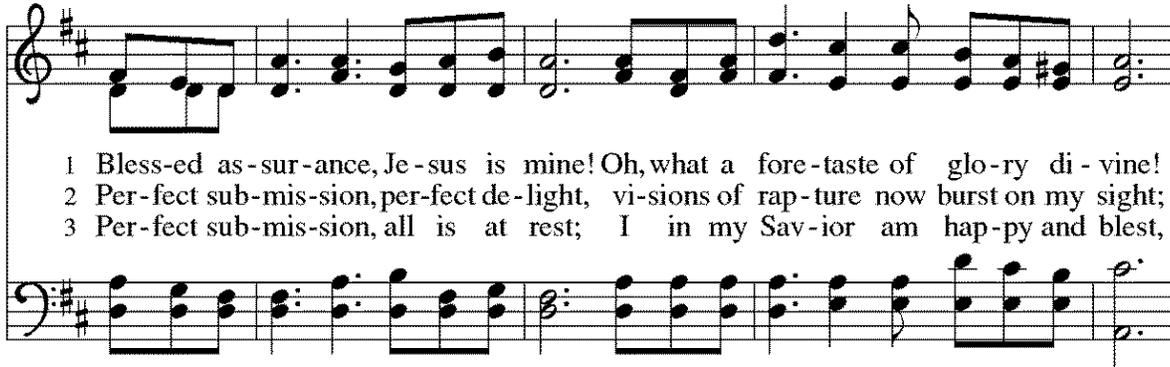
Sermon

The Rev. Dr. M. Wyvetta Bullock

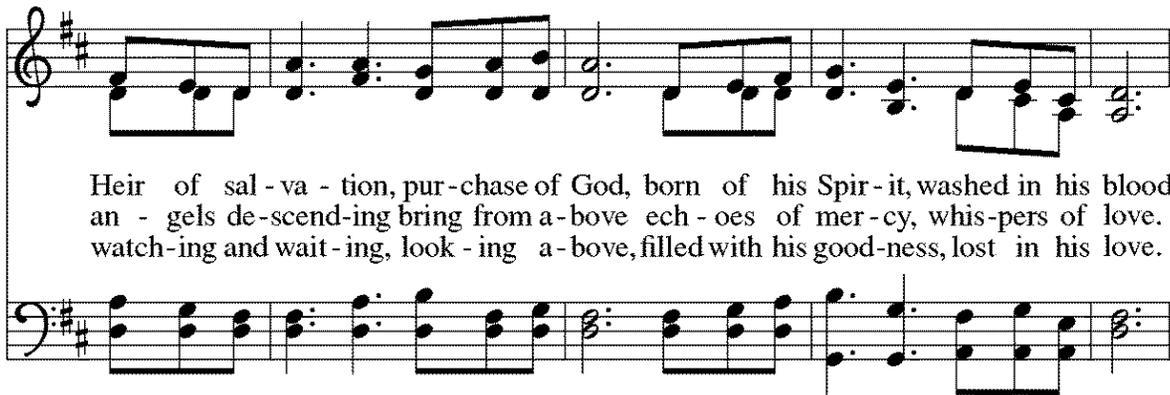
Assistant to the Presiding Bishop of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and Executive for Administration

Hymn of the Day

Blessed Assurance



1 Bless-ed as-sur-ance, Je-sus is mine! Oh, what a fore-taste of glo-ry di-vine!
2 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, per-fect de-light, vi-sions of rap-ture now burst on my sight;
3 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, all is at rest; I in my Sav-ior am hap-py and blest,



Heir of sal - va - tion, pur - chase of God, born of his Spir - it, washed in his blood.
an - gels de - scend - ing bring from a - bove ech - oes of mer - cy, whis - pers of love.
watch - ing and wait - ing, look - ing a - bove, filled with his good - ness, lost in his love.

Refrain

This is my sto - ry, this is my song, prais-ing my Sav - ior all the day long:

this is my sto - ry, this is my song, prais-ing my Sav - ior all the day long.

Text: Fanny J. Crosby, 1820–1915
 Music: ASSURANCE, Phoebe P. Knapp, 1830–1908

Installation of a Bishop

Presentation

The assembly remains standing. The one being installed and the secretary of the synod come before the presiding minister and the assembly. The secretary presents the one being installed to the presiding minister.

I present Patricia Ann Curtis Davenport,
 who has been elected and called by the church,
 for installation into the office of bishop of Southeastern Pennsylvania Synod.

The secretary moves aside, and the assembly is seated.

Address and Questions

A reading from John: Jesus said, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you. Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.” (John 20:21-23)

A reading from Matthew: Jesus said, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I

have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”
(Matthew 28:18-20)

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles: Take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you guardians, to feed the church of God that he obtained with the blood of his own Son. (Acts 20:28)

A reading from Second Timothy: Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.
(2 Timothy 2:15)

And again: Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us. (2 Timothy 1:13-14)

The Presiding Bishop questions the one being installed

To you is being given the care of the pastors, deacons and congregations of this synod.
I ask you in the presence of God and of this assembly:
will you assume the office of bishop of Southeastern Pennsylvania Synod?

Response:

I will, and I ask God to help me.

Will you be faithful in your office?

Will you commit yourself to this new trust and responsibility,
in the confidence that it comes from God through the call of the church?

Response:

I will, and I ask God to help me.

Will you carry out this ministry in accordance with the holy scriptures
and with the confessions of the Lutheran church, and in harmony with the constitutions of
the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America?

Response:

I will, and I ask God to help me.

Will you be diligent in your study of the holy scriptures
and in your use of the means of grace?

Will you love, serve, and pray for God’s people,

nourish them with the word and sacraments,
and lead them by your own example in faithful service and holy living?

Response:

I will, and I ask God to help me.

Will you give faithful witness in the world,
that God's love may be known in all that you do?

Response:

I will, and I ask God to help me.

Will you guide, encourage, and support the ministers and the congregations of this synod in their ministries? Will you be an advocate for the ministries of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, and will you support this church's work with global and ecumenical partners?

Response:

I will, and I ask God to help me.

Almighty God, who has given you the will to do these things,
graciously give you the strength and compassion to perform them.

The assembly responds:

Amen.

The assembly stands and the presiding bishop addresses the assembly.

People of God, as representatives of this synod,
will you receive Patricia as a servant of God
and a shepherd in the church of Jesus Christ?

We will, and we ask God to help us.

Will you pray for her,
help and honor her for her work's sake,
and in all things strive to live together in the peace and unity of Christ?

We will, and we ask God to help us.

The one being installed may kneel.

Hymn of Invocation

Yes

SEPA Consecration Choir

Shekinah Worship and Praise

Written by: RICK NOWELS, MARIE CLAIR D'UBALDO,
JAMES JOYCE, WILLIAM E STEINBERG
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Thanksgiving

The presiding minister leads the assembly in giving thanks.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,

we give you thanks that by your Holy Spirit you sustain the church.

By the power of the Holy Spirit you call, gather, enlighten, and sanctify the whole church.

The presiding minister lays both hands on the head of the one being installed.

A time of silent prayer follows.

The presiding minister continues.

Pour out your Spirit upon Patricia

to empower and enlighten her ministry as a bishop in your church.

Sustain her as a shepherd who tends the flock of Christ with love and gentleness,
and oversees the ministries of the church with vision and wisdom.

Uphold her as a faithful steward of your holy word and life-giving sacraments
and a strong sign of reconciliation among all people.

Give courage and fortitude to sustain her in this ministry.

We ask this through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Savior and Lord,
through whom all glory and power and honor are yours
in your holy church, both now and forever.

Amen.

The presiding minister addresses the one being installed.

The office of bishop is now committed to you

in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Blessing

Addressing the newly installed bishop, the presiding minister proclaims God's blessing.

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus,
the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant,
make you complete in everything good so that you may do God's will,
working in you that which is pleasing in God's sight;
through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory forever and ever. **Amen.**

Prayers of Intercessions

The assembly is led into prayer

Let us pray...

Each petition will conclude

Lord in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

The prayers conclude with

...through Jesus Christ, our
Savior.

Amen.

Those leading the assembly in prayer:

Mr. Joel Mac Davenport, Jr., *Bishop's Son*

Ms. Shanena Shanise Davenport Fogan, *Bishop's
Daughter*

Mr. Jamar Anthony Davenport, *Bishop's Son*

The Rev. Lyzette Rios-Sanchez, *Iglesia Luterana Nueva
Creacion*

Symbols of the Office

The newly installed bishop may kneel as the presiding minister continues

Remember to rekindle the gift of God that is within you.

For God did not give us a spirit of timidity
but a spirit of power and love and self-control.

Amen.

Giving of a Cross | The Rev. Claire Burkat, *fourth bishop of the Southeastern Pennsylvania Synod*

The presiding minister places a pectoral cross around the newly installed bishop's neck and says:

Receive this cross and wear it
as a sign of your calling to serve Christ and his people,
and as an emblem of the office to which you have been elected.

Giving of the Crozier | The Rev. Roy Almquist, *third bishop of the Southeastern Pennsylvania Synod*

Receive this staff as a sign of your pastoral office:

keep watch over the whole flock in which the Holy Spirit has appointed you
to shepherd in the church of God.

The newly installed bishop stands and the presiding minister presents her to the people. The assembly may offer acclamation with applause.

Bishop Addresses the assembly

The Bishop may address the assembly as the newly installed bishop

Global and Interfaith Partners address the assembly

Leaders from other traditions and around the globe bring greetings to the synod

Rabbi Shawn Zevit, *Lead Rabbi Mishkan Shalom Philadelphia, PA*

The Rev. Ruth Santana-Grace, *Executive Presbyter, Presbytery of Philadelphia PCUSA*

The Rev. Dr. Stephen Munga, *Bishop of the North Eastern Diocese of Tanzania, SEPA
Global Companion Synod*

Peace

The newly installed bishop and the assembly greet each other in the peace of the risen Christ.

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say

Peace be with you

The assembly is seated. The service continues with the offering

Meal

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ

Offering

Today's offering will support the ELCA and SEPA's mission funds for Congregational Vitality helping congregations to develop a sense of vibrant ministry. Checks can be made out to "SEPA Synod" with "Installation Offering" in the memo line.

Come on and Bless the Lord with me (Hallelujah)

Halle, Halle, Halle

SEPA Consecration Choir

Darwin Hobbs

Caribbean traditional

Offertory

The assembly stands as the table is set

Give Thanks

Give thanks with a grate - ful heart, give thanks to the Ho - ly One,
give thanks be - cause he's giv - en Je - sus Christ, his Son.
Give thanks with a grate - ful heart, give thanks to the Ho - ly One,
give thanks be - cause he's giv - en Je - sus Christ, his Son.

And now let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am
rich," be-cause of what the Lord has done for us. And
now let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am
rich," be-cause of what the Lord has done for us. Give thanks!

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Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

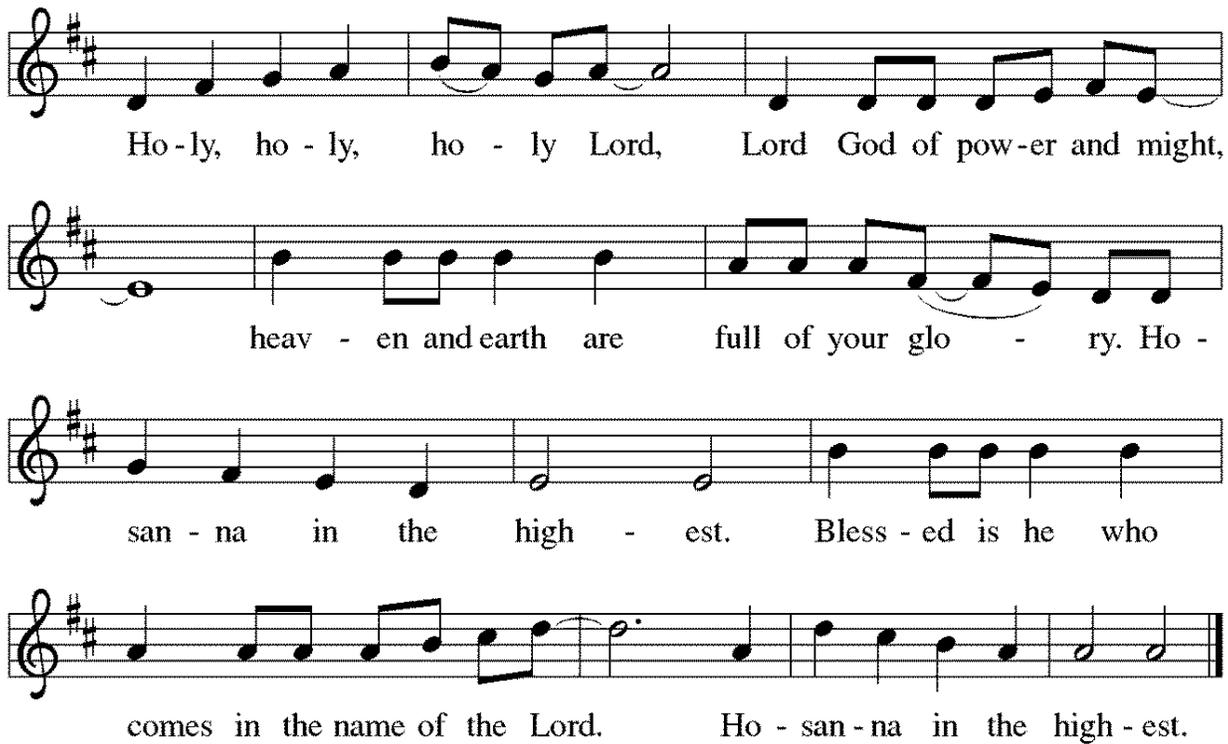
Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,
through the great shepherd of your flock, our Savior Jesus Christ;
who after his resurrection sent forth the apostles
to preach the gospel and teach all nations,
and promised to be with them, even to the end of the age.
And so, with the glorious company of the apostles,
with the choirs of angels and all the hosts of heaven,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow-er and might,
 heav - en 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.

God of our weary years, God of our silent tears,
 you have brought us this far along the way.
 In times of bitterness you did not abandon us,
 but guided us into the path of love and light.

In every age you sent prophets
 to make known your loving will for all humanity.
 The cry of the poor has become your own cry;
 our hunger and thirst for justice is your own desire.

In the fullness of time, you sent your chosen servant
 to preach good news to the afflicted,
 to break bread with the outcast and despised,
 and to ransom those in bondage to prejudice and sin.

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 all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection,
we await the day when Jesus shall return
to free all the earth from the bonds of slavery and death.
Come, Lord Jesus! And let the church say, Amen! **Amen!**

Send your Holy Spirit, our advocate,
to fill the hearts of all who share this bread and cup
with courage and wisdom to pursue love and justice in all the world.
Come, Spirit of freedom! And let the church say, Amen! **Amen!**

Join our prayers and praise with your prophets and martyrs of every age,
that, rejoicing in the hope of the resurrection,
we might live in the freedom and hope of your Son.
Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.
Amen.

Lord's Prayer

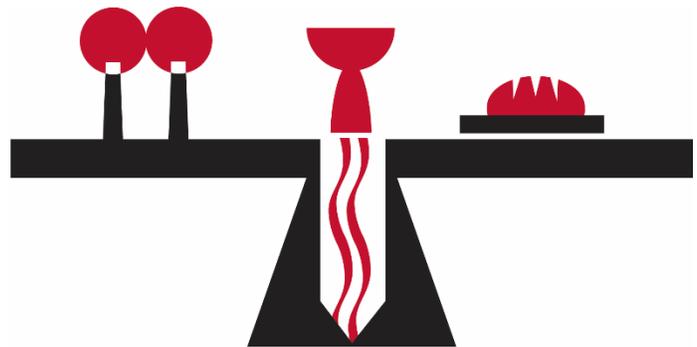
We invite the assembly to pray in the version and language in your heart.

Lamb of God

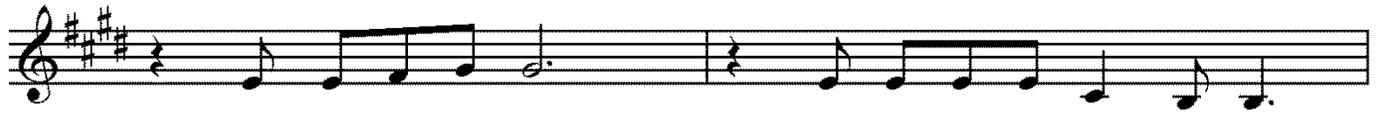
Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a -
way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Distribution of Communion

All are welcome to share in the meal of our Lord, Jesus Christ. The ushers will direct you to the nearest communion station. All bread is gluten-free. Wine is red; the grape juice is white. All are invited to commune by intinction dipping the bread into either the wine or grape juice.



Communion Hymns



Cantor: 1. For eve - ry - one born, a place at the ta - ble,___
All: 2. For young and for old, a place at the ta - ble,___
All: 3. For just and un - just a place at the ta - ble,___
All: 4. For eve - ry - one born, a place at the ta - ble,___



for eve - ry - one born,___ clean wa - ter and bread;___
 a voice to be heard,___ a part in the song,___
 the u - ser, the used,___ with need to for - give,___
 to live with-out fear,___ and sim - ply to be,___



a shel - ter, a space,___ a safe place for grow - ing,___
 the hands of a child,___ in hands that are wrin - kled,___
 in an - ger, in hurt,___ a mind - set of mer - cy,___
 to work, to speak out,___ to wit - ness and wor - ship,___



for eve - ry - one born,___ a star___ o - ver - head.
 for young and for old,___ the right___ to be - long.
 for just and un - just,___ a new___ way to live.
 for eve - ry - one born,___ the right___ to be free.

Refrain



All: And God___ will de-light when we are cre - a - tors of jus-tice, and joy,___ com -



pas - sion and peace: yes, God___ will de-light when we are cre -



a - tors of jus - tice,___ jus - tice and joy.

Tune: A PLACE AT THE TABLE Lauri True (b. 1961)

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Taste and See

Refrain – All



Taste and see, taste and see the good-ness of the Lord. Oh,



taste and see, taste and see the good-ness of the Lord, of the Lord.

Leader or All



1 I will bless the Lord at all times.
 2 Glo - ri - fy the Lord with . . . me.
 3 Wor - ship . . . the Lord, all you peo - ple.

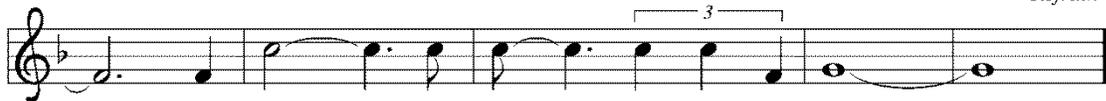


Praise shall al - ways be on my lips;
 To - geth - er let us all praise God's name.
 You'll want for noth - ing . . . if you ask.



my soul shall glo - ry in the Lord;
 I called the Lord, . . . who an - swered me;
 Taste and see . . . that the Lord is good;

Refrain



for God has been so good to me.
 from all my trou - bles I was set free.
 in God we need put all our trust.

Text: James E. Moore Jr., b. 1951, based on Ps. 34

Music: TASTE AND SEE, James E. Moore Jr.

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One Bread, One Body



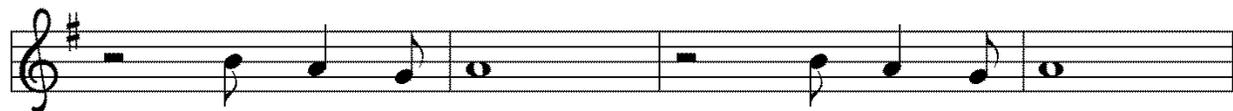
One bread, one bod-y, one Lord of all; one cup of



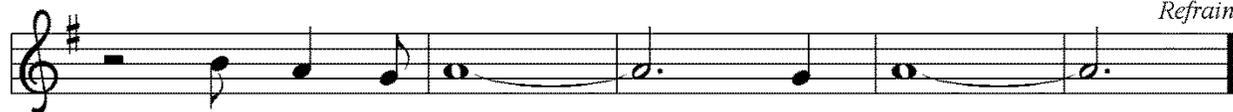
bles-sing which we bless, and we, though man-y



through-out the earth, we are one bod - y in this one Lord.



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|---|------------|-----|---------|--------------|-----|--------|
| 1 | Gen - tile | or | Jew, | ser - vant | or | free, |
| 2 | Man - y | the | gifts, | man - y | the | works, |
| 3 | Grain for | the | fields, | scat - tered | and | grown, |



wom - an	or	man,	no	more.
one in the Lord			of	all.
gath - ered to one			for	all.

Text: John Foley, SJ, b. 1939

Music: ONE BREAD, ONE BODY, John Foley, SJ

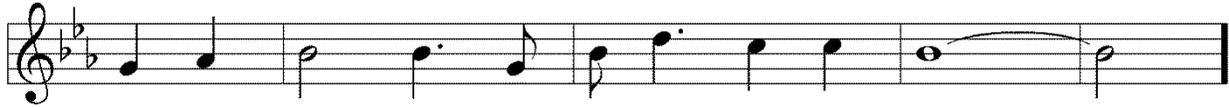
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Let Us Break Bread Together



1 Let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees;
2 Let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees;



let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees.
let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees.

Refrain



When I fall on my knees, with my face to the ris - ing



sun, O Lord, have mer - cy on me.



3 Let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees;



let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees.

Text: African American spiritual

Music: BREAK BREAD TOGETHER, African American spiritual

I Know It Was the Blood



1 I know it was the blood, I know it was the blood,
2 It was my Sav-ior's blood, it was my Sav-ior's blood,
3 They pierced him in his side, they pierced him in his side,
4 He's com - ing back a - gain, he's com - ing back a - gain,



I know it was the blood for me.
it was my Sav - ior's blood for me.
they pierced him in his side for me.
he's com - ing back a - gain for me.



One day when I was lost, he died up-on the cross.
One day when I was lost, he died up-on the cross.
One day when I was lost, he died up-on the cross.
One day when I was lost, he died up-on the cross.



I know it was the blood for me.
It was my Sav - ior's blood for me.
They pierced him in his side for me.
He's com - ing back a - gain for me.

Text: traditional

Music: IT WAS THE BLOOD, traditional

Post Communion Blessing

The presiding minister blesses the assembly

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

Amen.

Prayer after Communion

The Assisting minister leads us in prayer after communion

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 another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Sending

God blesses us and send us in mission to the world

Blessing and Dismissal

Bishop Davenport blesses and sends the assembly forth in praise

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

Amen.

Go in peace. Share the good news!

Thanks be to God!

Sending Songs

Praise, Praise, Praise the Lord!

Praise, praise, praise the Lord!

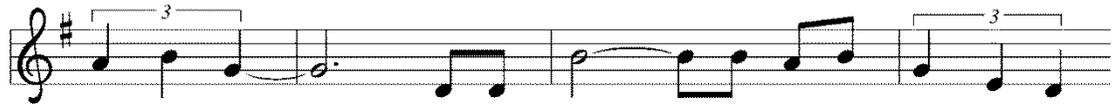
Praise God's holy name. Alleluia!

Text: Cameroon traditional, collected by Elaine Hanson
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We Are Marching in the Light of God



Si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos', si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha -
 We are march - ing in the light of God, we are march - ing in the



nyen' kwen - khos'. Si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos',
 light of God. We are march - ing in the light of God,



si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.
 we are march - ing in the light of God.



Si - ya - ham - ba (ham - ba, si - ya - ham - ba) oo
 We are march - ing (march - ing, we are march - ing) oo



si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.
 we are march - ing in the light of God.



Si - ya - ham - ba (ham - ba, si - ya - ham - ba) oo
 We are march - ing (march - ing, we are march - ing) oo



si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.
 we are march - ing in the light of God.

Additional stanzas ad lib.:

We are dancing ...

We are praying ...

We are singing ...

Text: South African traditional; tr. Freedom Is Coming, 1984

Music: SIYAHAMBA, South African traditional

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Those leading the assembly in praise of God

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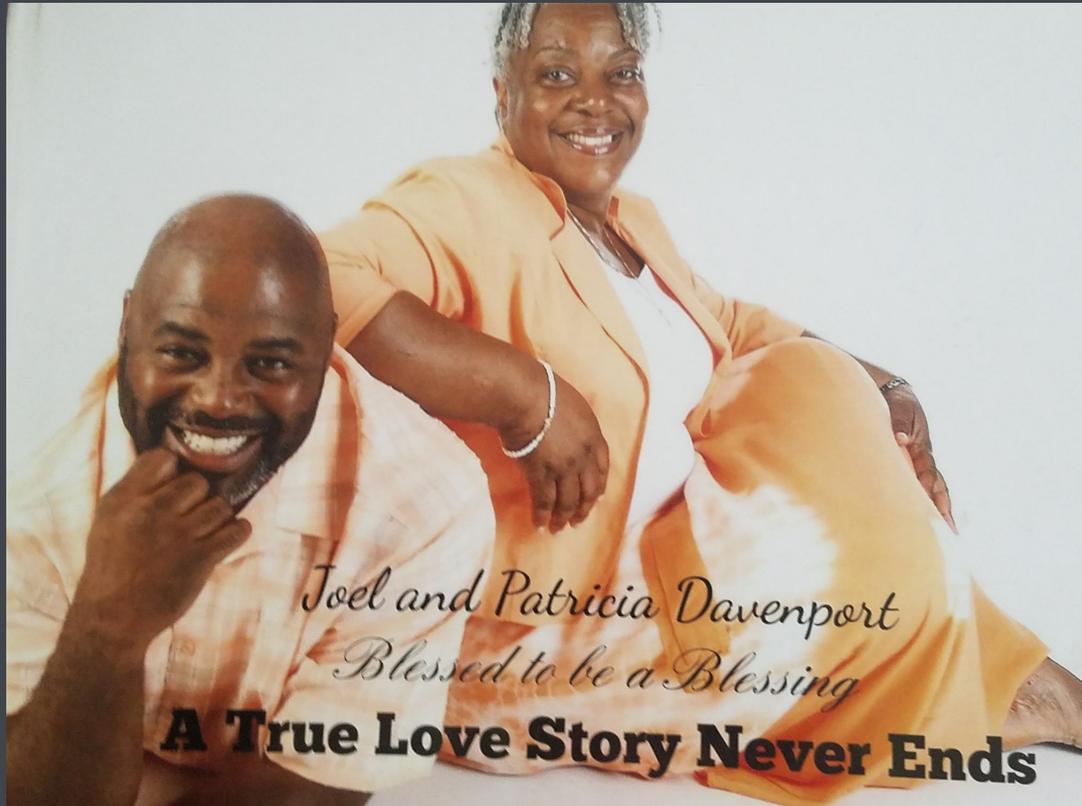
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Joel was a loyal servant of the Church.
A dedicated Husband, Father, Son, Brother, Uncle,
Career Man, Family Member, and Friend.

Joel was my life partner in marriage
and ministry for over 40 years.

Joel is still on our minds
and will always be in our hearts.

Rev. Patricia A. Curtis Davenport,
Bishop, Southeastern Pennsylvania Synod

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