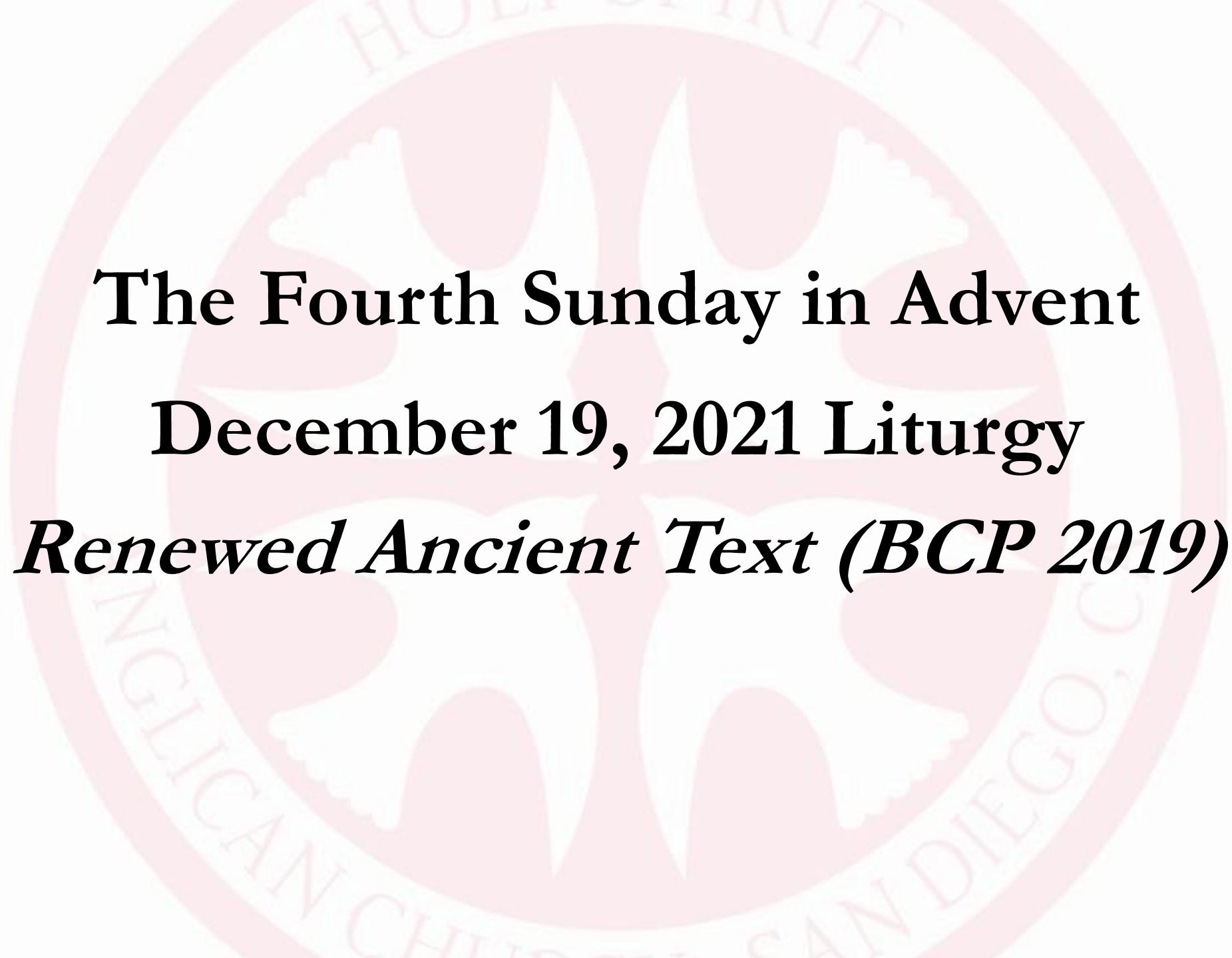


Preparing for the Service

*Welcome to a time of quiet reflection in order to prepare
for worship.*



*Focus on the Lord. Pray for your own concerns. Pray for
our church. Pray for our world.*



The Fourth Sunday in Advent

December 19, 2021 Liturgy

Renewed Ancient Text (BCP 2019)

Opening Song

**Savior of the Nations, Come
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**Savior of the nations, come!
Virgin's Son, make here your home.
Marvel now, both heaven and earth,
That the Lord chose such a birth.**

**Wondrous birth! Oh, wondrous child
Of the Virgin undefiled!
Mighty God and Mary's son,
Eager now his race to run!**

Thus on earth the Word appears,
Gracing his created spheres;
Hence to death and hell descends,
Then the heavenly throne ascends.

Come, O Father's saving Son,
Who o'er sin the victory won.
Boundless shall your kingdom be;
Grant that we its glories see.

The Acclamation

Celebrant Surely the Lord is coming soon.

People **Amen. Come Lord Jesus!**

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 Summary of the Law

We are reminded of the essence of God's commandments for us.

The Trisagion (Fernando Ortega)

Holy God,
Holy and mighty,
Holy Immortal One,
Have mercy on us.

The Collect for the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And with your spirit.**
Celebrant Let us pray.

The Celebrant prays the Collect of the Day



The First Reading

Micah 5:2-5a

After the reading:

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

Psalm 80:1-7 (said together)

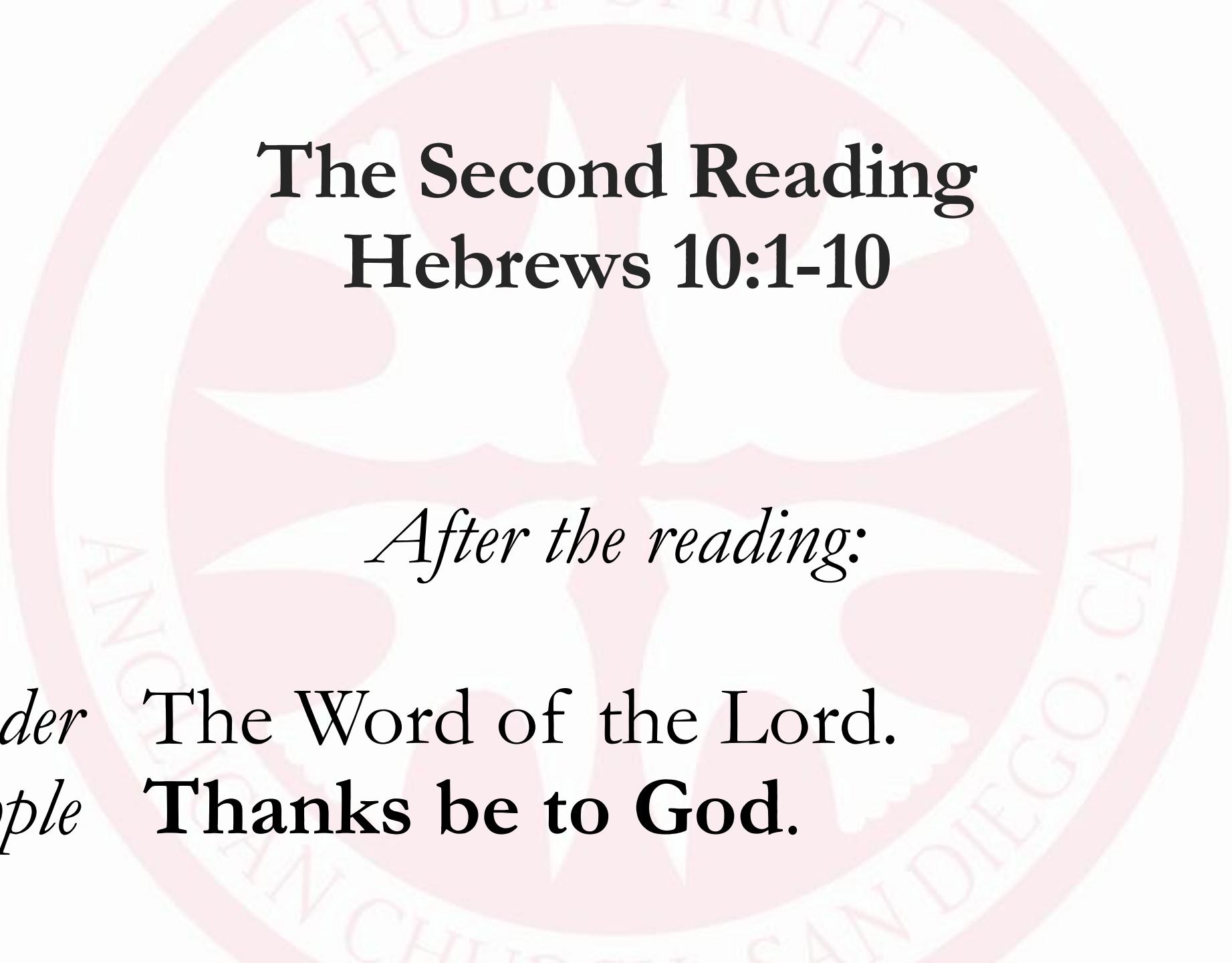
- ¹ Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel,
you who lead Joseph like a flock.
You who are enthroned upon the cherubim,
shine forth.
- ² Before Ephraim and Benjamin and
Manasseh, stir up your might
and come to save us!

³ Restore us, O God;
let your face shine, that we may be
saved!

⁴ O LORD God of hosts,
how long will you be angry with your
people's prayers?

- ⁵ You have fed them with the bread of tears
and given them tears to drink in full
measure.
- ⁶ You make us an object of contention for
our neighbors, and our enemies laugh
among themselves.

⁷ Restore us, O God of hosts;
let your face shine, that we may be
saved!



The Second Reading

Hebrews 10:1-10

After the reading:

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

The Gradual Song

Lord, Have Mercy (For What We Have Done)

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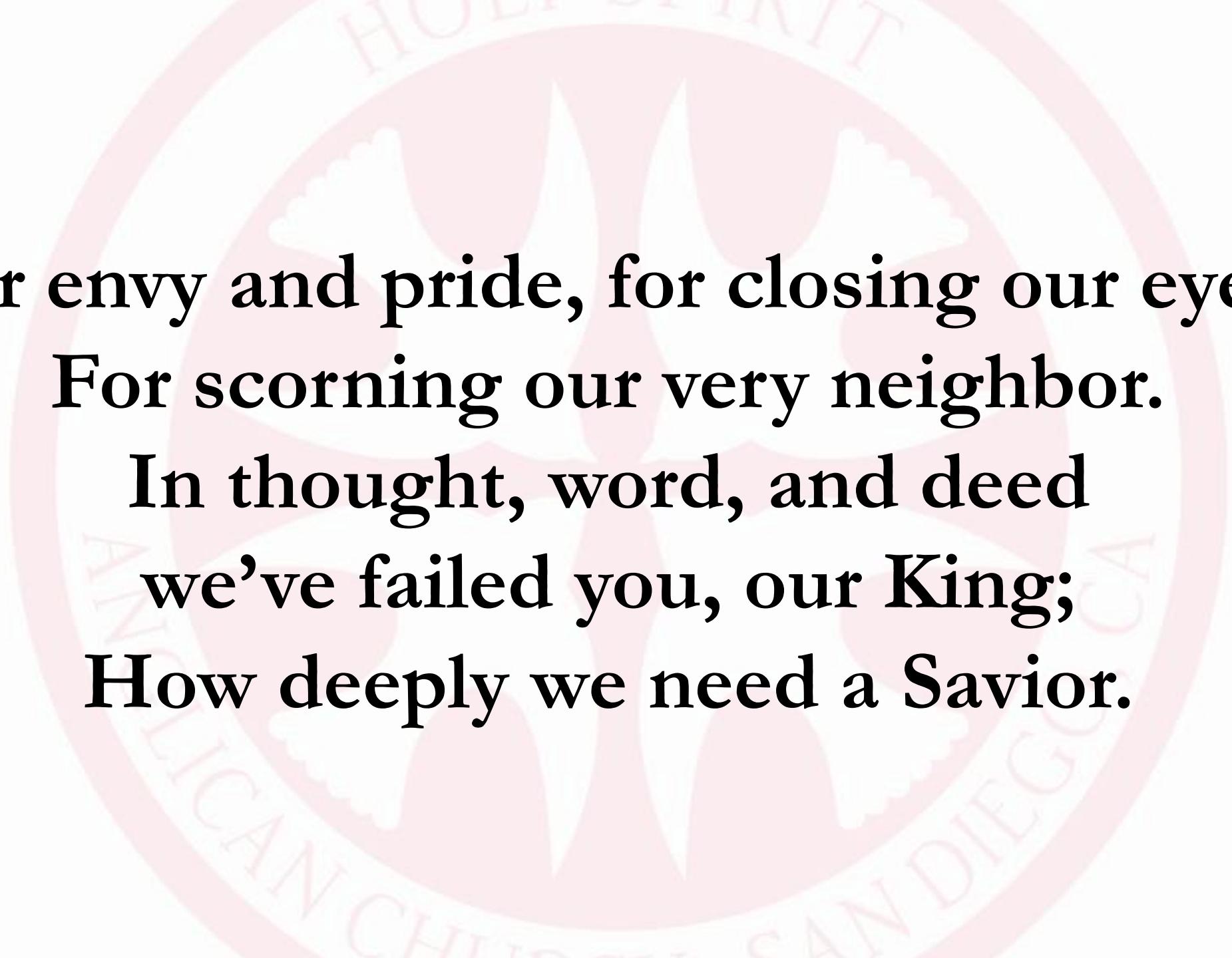
For what we have done and left undone

We fall on your countless mercies.

For sins that are known,

and those unknown,

We call on your name, so holy.



For envy and pride, for closing our eyes,
For scorning our very neighbor.
In thought, word, and deed
we've failed you, our King;
How deeply we need a Savior.

**Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy,
Lord, have mercy on us.**

**Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy,
Lord, have mercy on us.**

The Gospel Reading

Luke 1:39-56

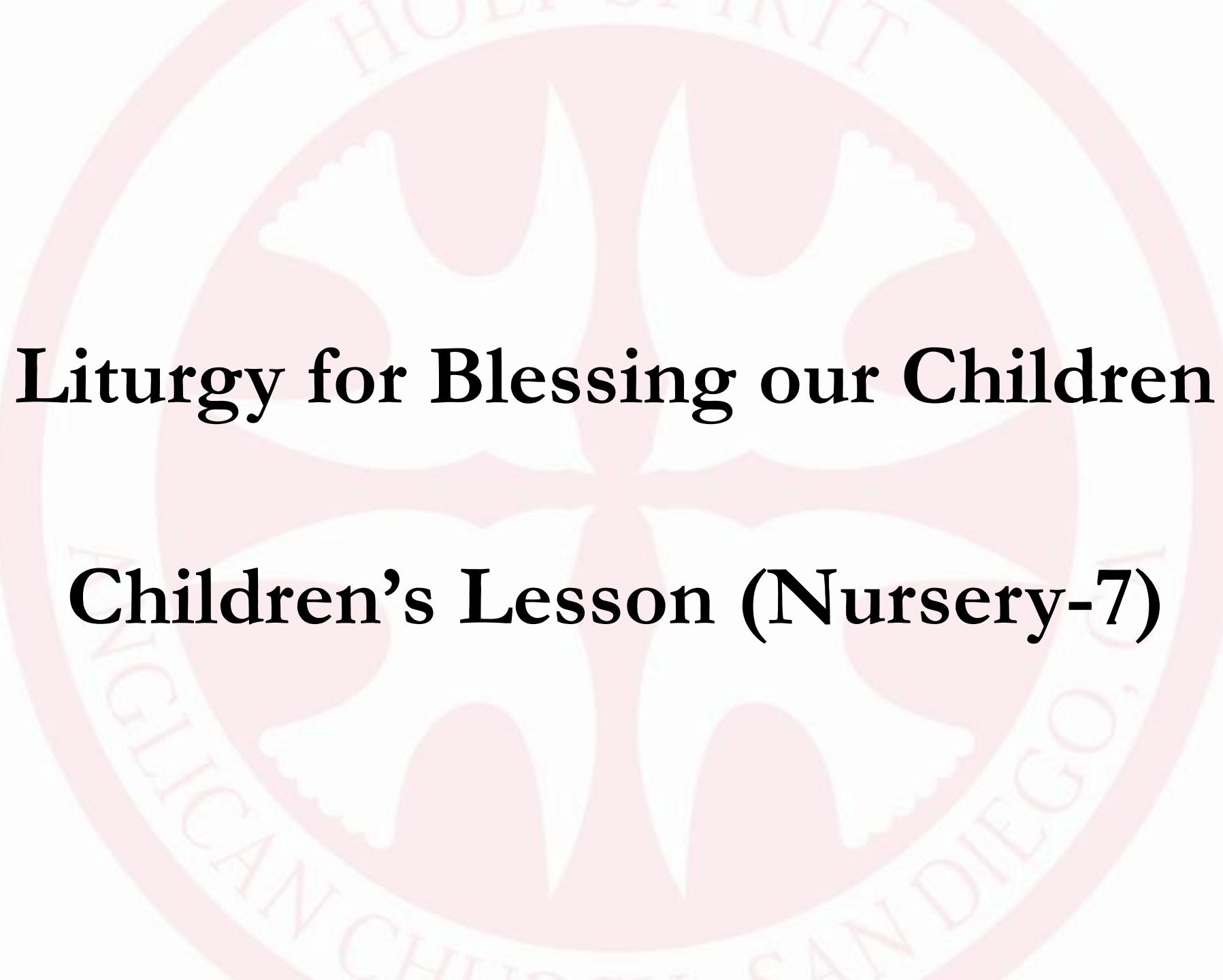
Celebrant The Holy Gospel (†) of our Lord
Jesus Christ according to John.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

After the Gospel:

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**



Liturgy for Blessing our Children

Children's Lesson (Nursery-7)

Gospeler: Jesus said to His disciples, “Let the children come to me; do not hinder them,

People: For to such belongs the kingdom of God.

Gospeler: Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it.”

People: And he took them in his arms and blessed them, laying his hands on them.

Gospeler: Let us pray:

All: Almighty God, heavenly Father, you have blessed us with the joy and care of children: Give us calm strength and patient wisdom so to train them, that they may love all that is true, and pure, and lovely, and of good report, following the example of their Savior Jesus Christ.

Amen.

For what you have done,
your life of love
You perfectly lived, we praise you.
Though tempted and tried,
you fixed your eyes;
You finished the work God gave you.

And there on the tree,
a King among thieves,
You bled for a world's betrayal.

You loved to the end,
our merciful friend;
How pure and forever faithful.

**Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy,
Lord, have mercy on us.**

**Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy,
Lord, have mercy on us.**

The Sermon

Rev. Jack Davenport

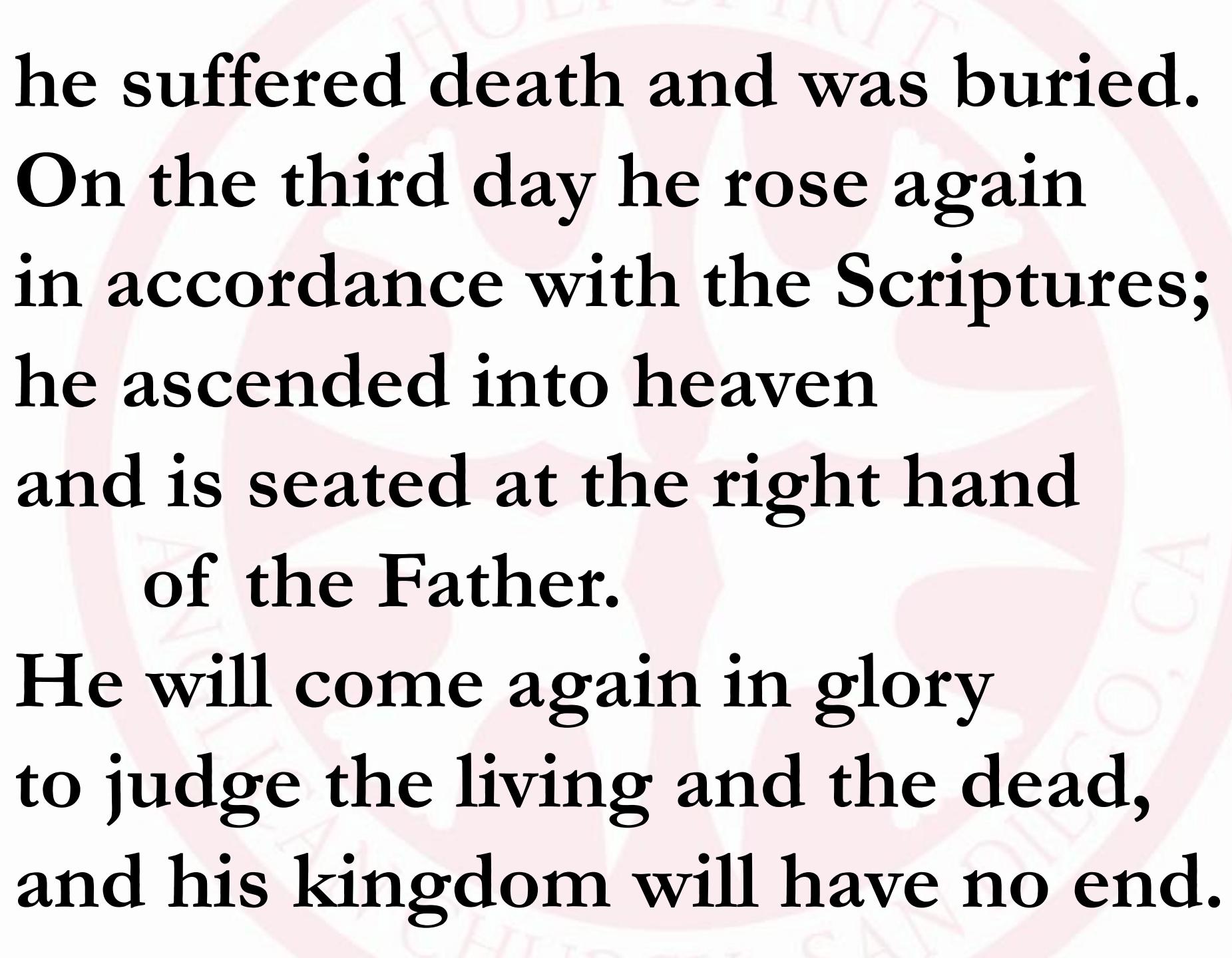
The Nicene Creed

*An ancient statement of the core
beliefs of the Christian faith*

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, visible and invisible.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit
and the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under
Pontius Pilate;



he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand
of the Father.

He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the
Son,
who with the Father and the Son is
worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection (†) of the dead,
and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

The Prayers of the People

After each bidding:

Reader Lord, in your mercy:

People Hear our prayer.

Celebrant prays closing prayer

The Confession and Absolution of Sin

Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

Silence

The Deacon and People kneel as able and pray

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word and deed,
by what we have done, and by what we
have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as
ourselves.

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will, and
walk in your ways, to the glory of
your Name. Amen.

*Celebrant pronounces the absolution of our sins,
accomplished for us by Christ.*

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, (†) pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Comfortable Words

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him:

“The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost.” (1 Timothy 1:15)

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always
 with you.

People And with your spirit.

Parents, please pick up your children from Children's Education

Celebrant says the Offertory Sentence

Offertory Song

The Angel Gabriel
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The angel Gabriel
from heaven came,
His wings as drifted snow,
 his eyes as flame;
“All hail,” said he,
“thou lowly maiden Mary,
Most highly favored lady,”
 Gloria!

**“For know a blessed
mother thou shalt be.
All generations laud
and honor thee,
Thy son shall be Emmanuel,
by seers foretold,
Most highly favored lady,”
Gloria!**

Then gentle Mary
meekly bowed her head,
“To me be as it pleaseth
God,” she said,
“My soul shall laud and
magnify his holy Name.”
Most highly favored lady,”
Gloria!

Of her, Emmanuel,
the Christ was born
In Bethlehem,
all on a Christmas morn,
And Christian folk
throughout the world will ever say,

**“Most highly favored lady,”
Gloria!
Gloria!**

Doxology

B. Greer

The Sursum Corda

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with your spirit.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them up to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Holy, Holy, Holy

B. Greer

A musical score for the hymn "Holy, Holy, Holy" featuring four staves of music and lyrics. The music is in common time, key signature of one flat (B-flat), and consists of quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are written below each staff, corresponding to the musical phrases. Measure numbers 6, 10, and 13 are indicated on the left side of the staves.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of pow - er and might; heaven and earth are
6

full of your glo - ry, ho - san - na in the high- est. Bless - ed is he who
10

comes in the name, who comes in the name of the Lord; Ho -
13

san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na - in the high - est.

The Prayer of Consecration

Unforgetting who God is and what He has done for us, and all of His creation, in and through His Son, Jesus Christ

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Lord's Prayer

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

**Our Father, 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 Fraction

Celebrant Christ our Passover Lamb has been sacrificed, once for all upon the cross.

People Therefore let us keep the feast.

The Prayer of Humble Access

Celebrant and People together say

We do not presume to come to this, your
table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our
own righteousness, but in your abundant
and great mercies.

We are not worthy so much as to gather up
the crumbs under your table; but you are
the same Lord, whose character is always
to have mercy.

Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat
the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ,
and to drink his blood, that our sinful
bodies may be made clean by his body,
and our souls washed through his most
precious blood, and that we may
evermore dwell in him, and he in us.
Amen.

The Agnus Dei – Lamb of God (*Jesserun*)

Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world,
Have mercy on us.

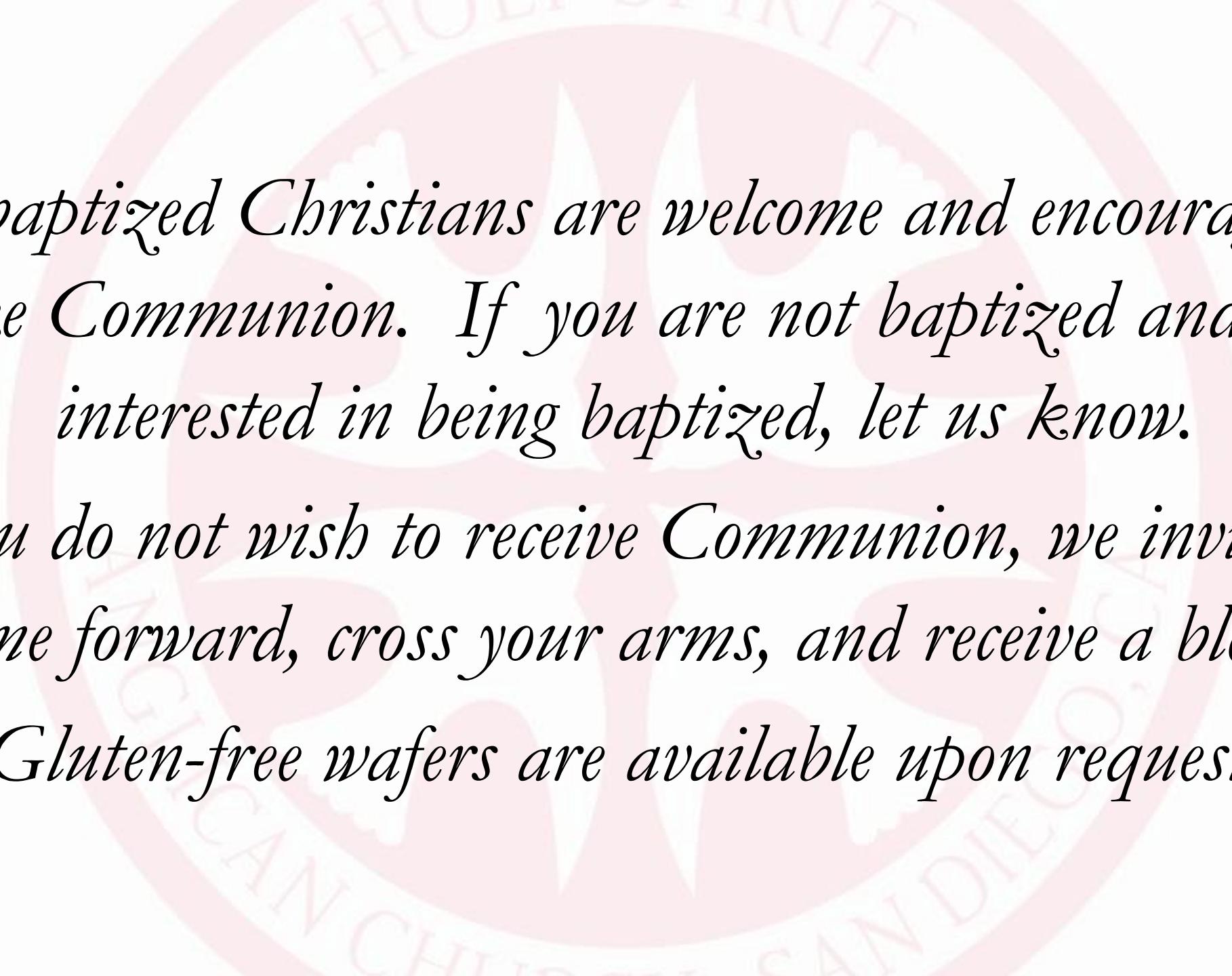
Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world,
Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world,
Grant us your peace.

The Ministration of Communion

The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The priest invites the people to receive communion with an attitude of humble gratitude and faith



All baptized Christians are welcome and encouraged to take Communion. If you are not baptized and are interested in being baptized, let us know.

If you do not wish to receive Communion, we invite you to come forward, cross your arms, and receive a blessing.

Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

My Soul Doth Magnify the Lord

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My soul doth magnify the Lord,
And my spirit hath
rejoiced in God my Savior,
For he that is mighty
hath done great things;
And holy is his name.

My soul doth magnify the Lord,
My soul doth magnify the Lord,
And my spirit hath
rejoiced in God my Savior,
For he that is mighty
hath done great things;
And holy is his name.

Let All Mortal Flesh

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Let all mortal flesh keep silence,
And with fear and trembling stand;
Ponder nothing earthly minded,
For with blessing in his hand
Christ our God to earth descendeth,
Our full homage to demand.

King of kings, yet born of Mary,
As of old on earth he stood,
Lord of lords in human vesture,
In the Body and the Blood
He will give to all the faithful
His own self for heavenly food.

Rank on rank the host of heaven
Spreads its vanguard on the way,
As the Light of Light descendeth
From the realms of endless day,
That the powers of hell may vanish
As the darkness clears away.

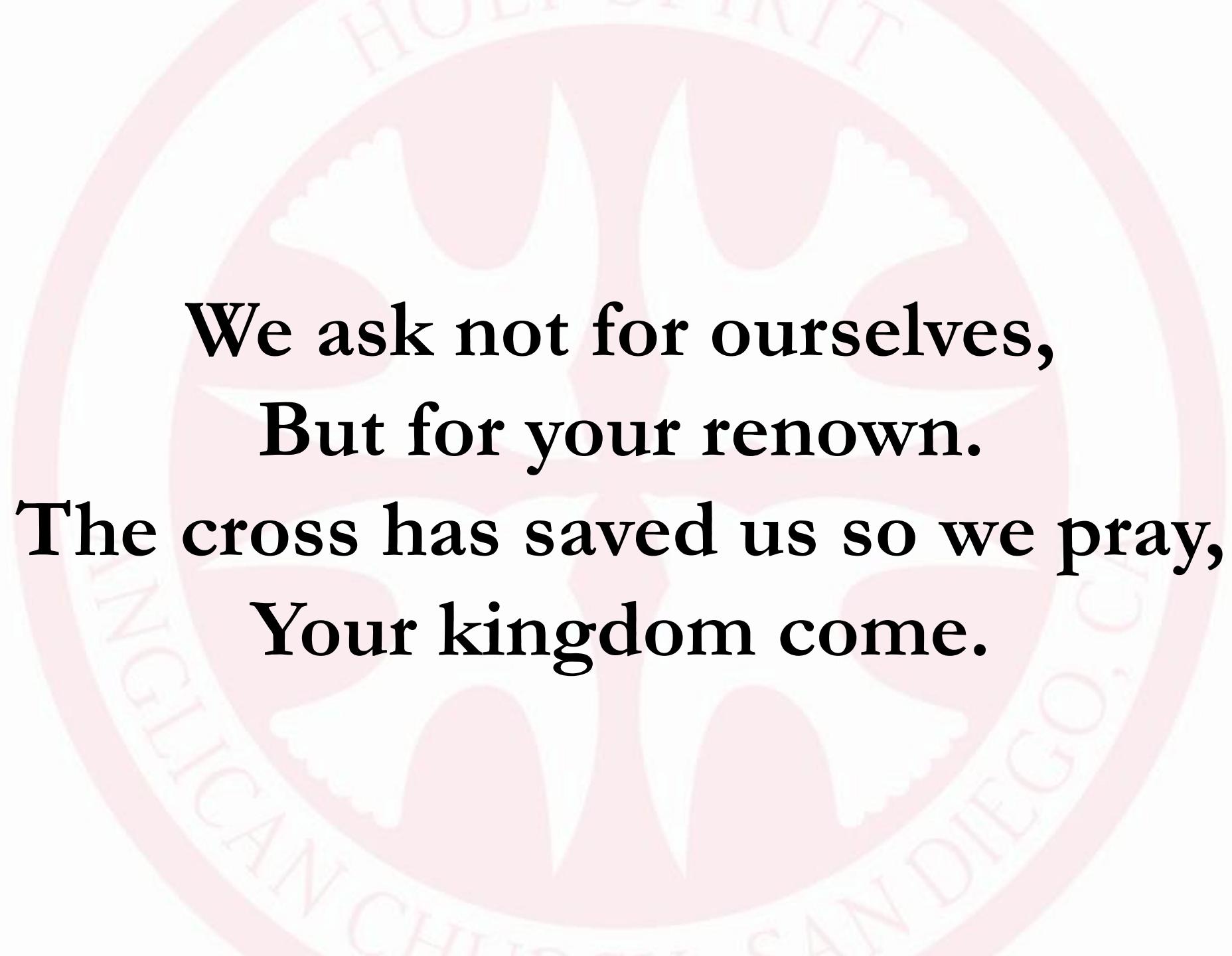
At his feet the six-winged seraph;
Cherubim with sleepless eye,
Veil their faces to the Presence,
As with ceaseless voice they cry,
“Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia Lord Most High!”

Let Your Kingdom Come

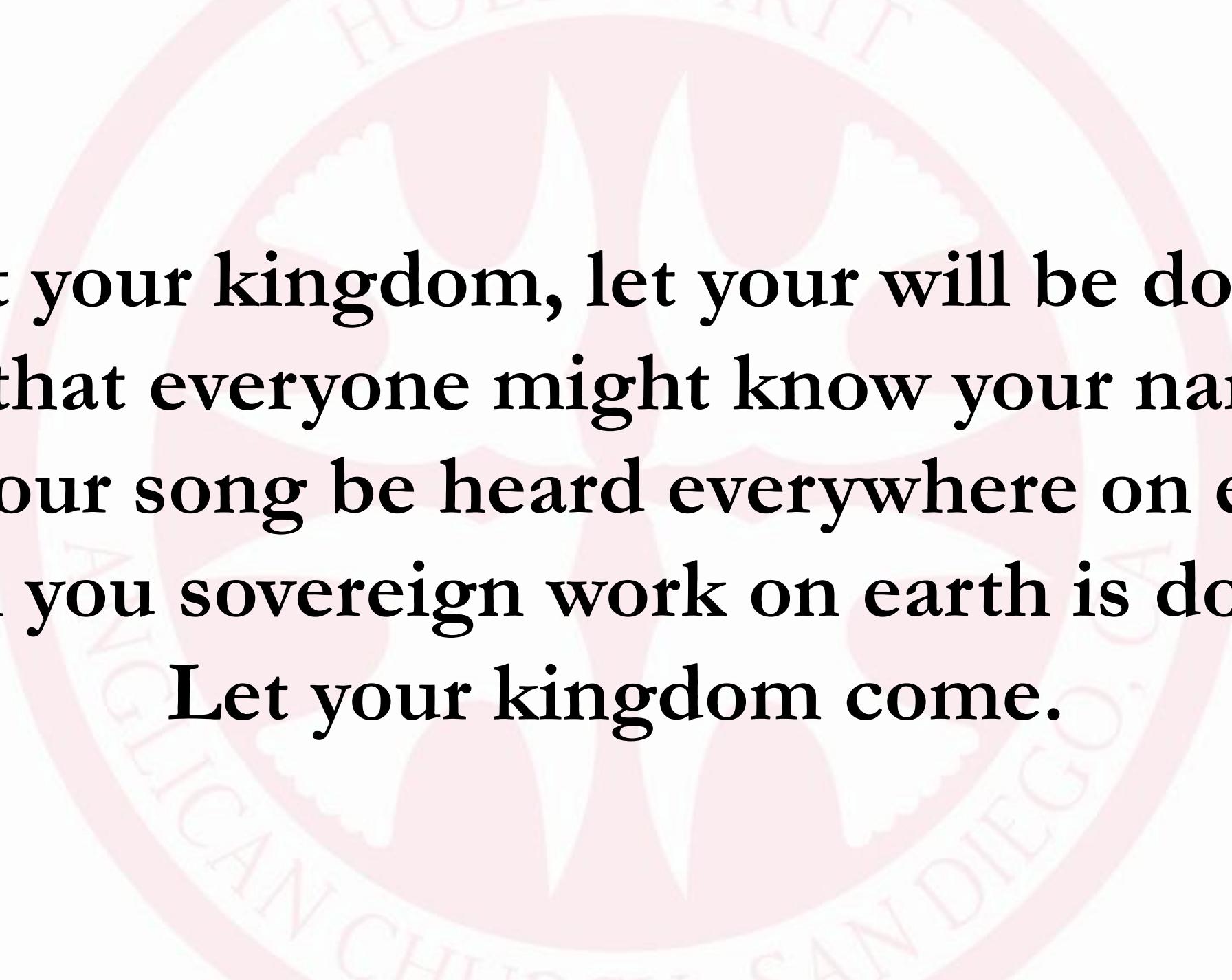
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Please Stand

**Your glorious cause, O God,
Engages our hearts.
May Jesus Christ be known
Wherever we are.**



**We ask not for ourselves,
But for your renown.
The cross has saved us so we pray,
Your kingdom come.**

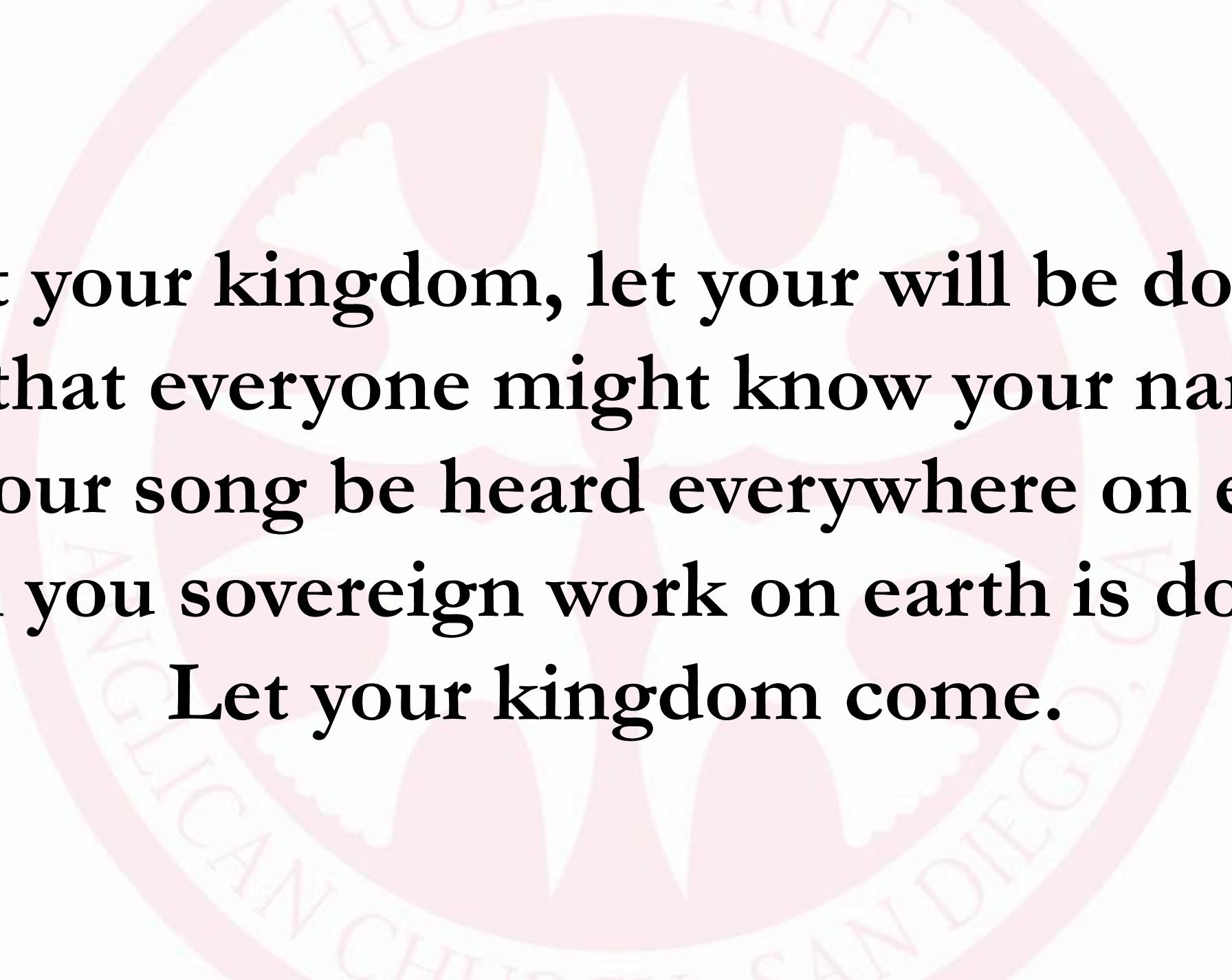


Let your kingdom, let your will be done,
So that everyone might know your name.
Let your song be heard everywhere on earth,
Till you sovereign work on earth is done.
Let your kingdom come.

**Give us your strength, O God,
And courage to speak.
Perform your wondrous deeds,
Through those who are weak.**

**Lord use us as you want,
Whatever the test.
By grace we'll preach your Gospel till
Our dying breath.**

Let your kingdom, let your will be done,
So that everyone might know your name.
Let your song be heard everywhere on earth,
Till you sovereign work on earth is done.
Let your kingdom come.



Let your kingdom, let your will be done,
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**Let your kingdom come.
Let your kingdom come.**

Post-Communion Verse

The Celebrant says the Post-Communion verse

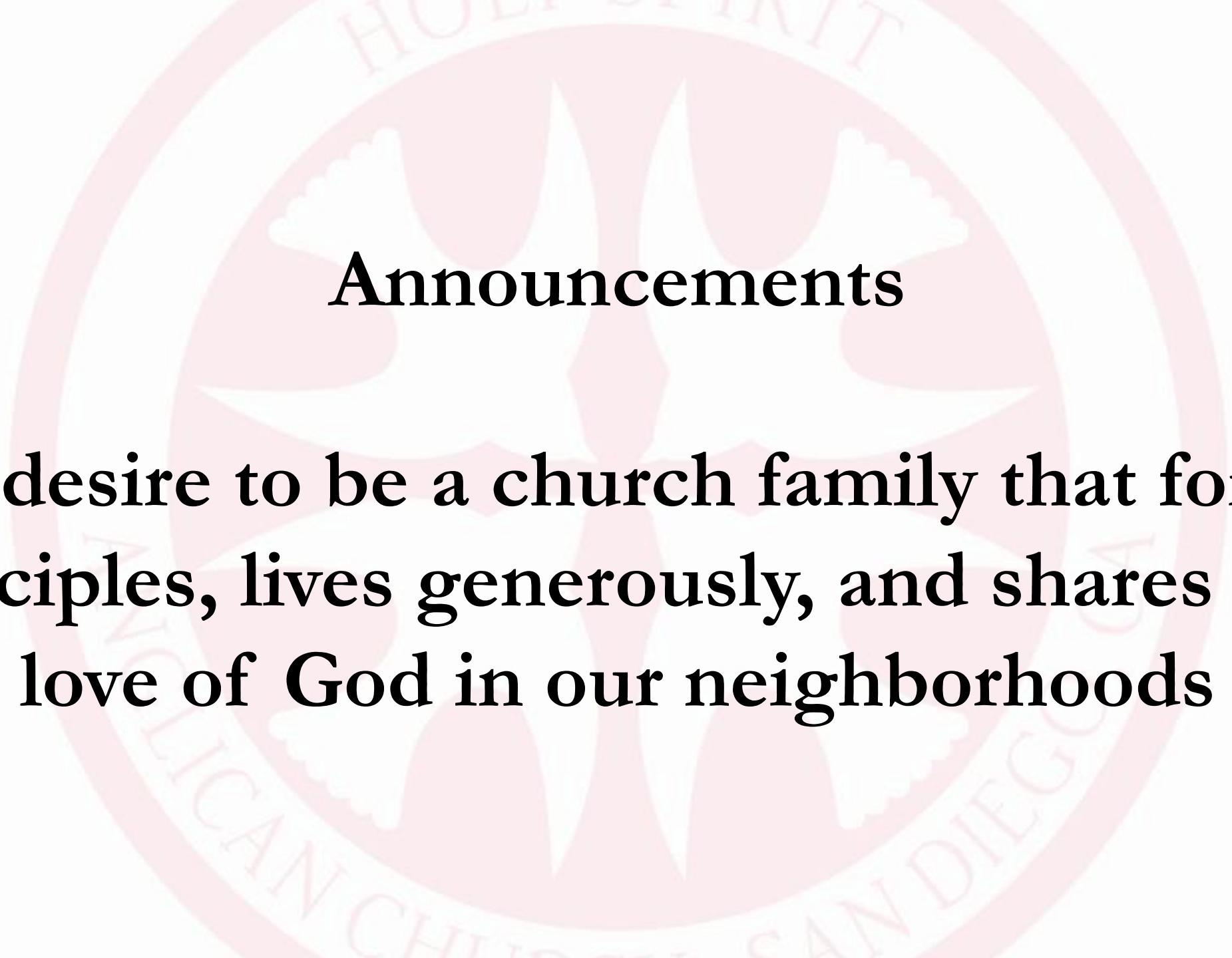
“⁴ And he shall stand and shepherd his flock in the strength of the LORD, in the majesty of the name of the LORD his God. And they shall dwell secure, for now he shall be great to the ends of the earth. ⁵ And he shall be their peace.” (Micah 5:4–5)

Listening Time

The Post Communion Prayer

Heavenly Father, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious body and blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal Kingdom.

**And now Father, send us out to do the work
you have given us to do, to love and serve
you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be
honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.**



Announcements

We desire to be a church family that forms disciples, lives generously, and shares the love of God in our neighborhoods

Today

Thank you for joining us for worship today!

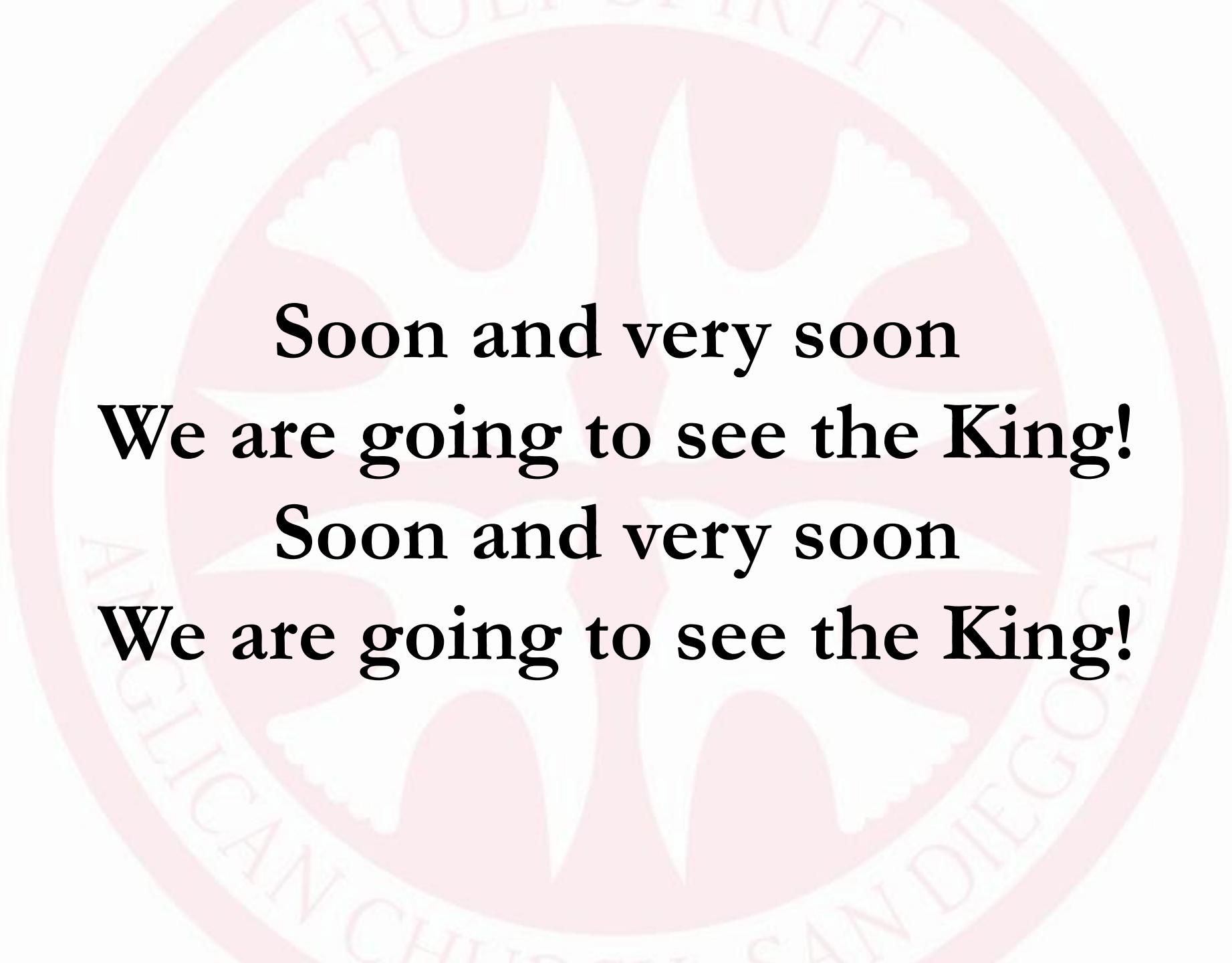
The Blessing

...and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father (†), the Son, and the Holy Spirit be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

Lo, He Comes With Clouds Descending

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**Soon and very soon
We are going to see the King!
Soon and very soon
We are going to see the King!**

**Soon and very soon
We are going to see the King!
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
We're going to see the King!**

No more crying there,
We are going to see the King!
No more crying there,
We are going to see the King!

No more crying there,
We are going to see the King!
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
We're going to see the King!

No more dying there,
We are going to see the King!
No more dying there,
We are going to see the King!

No more dying there,
We are going to see the King!
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
We're going to see the King!

**Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
We're going to see the King!**

The Dismissal

Deacon Let us go forth in the Name of
 Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

