

saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Bishop 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.*

Bishop 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.*

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

People *I will, with God's help.*

Bishop Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People *I will, with God's help.*

Bishop 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.*

Prayers for the Candidates (pg. 305 BCP)

Bishop Let us now pray for these persons who have renewed their commitment to Christ.

Leader Deliver them, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Leader Open their hearts to your grace and truth.

People *Lord, hear our prayer.*

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

People *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Leader Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

People *Lord, hear our prayer.*

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

People *Lord, hear our prayer.*

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

People *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Leader Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.
People *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Bishop: Almighty God, we thank you that by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ you have overcome sin and brought us to yourself, and that by the sealing of your Holy Spirit you have bound us to your service. Renew in these your servants the covenant you made with them at their Baptism. Send them forth in the power of that Spirit to perform the service you set before them; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Confirmations and Receptions (pg. 418 BCP)

Concluding Prayer

Bishop: Almighty and everliving God, let your fatherly hand ever be over these your servants; let your Holy Spirit ever be with them; and so lead them in the knowledge and obedience of your Word, that they may serve you in this life, and dwell with you in the life to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Bishop The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People *And also with you.*

Announcements and Acolyte Recognition

The Holy Communion
Offertory Anthem
“Cantate Domino” by Dave & Jean Perry

The Doxology
Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him all creatures here below;
Praise him above ye heavenly hosts; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.
Offering of Bread, Wine and Alms
The Great Thanksgiving
Eucharistic Prayer A (Pg. 361, BCP)

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 him thanks and praise.*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing,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:

Celebrant and People

Hymn #S130 “Holy, holy, holy Lord”

Schubert

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest.

Then the Celebrant continues (pg. 362 BCP)

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself;...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....”Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues:

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father.....all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. Amen.

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

People and Celebrant:

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 Breaking of the Bread (pg. 364 BCP)

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Invitation

Hymn # S164 “Jesus, Lamb of God” (Agnus Dei)

Jesus, Lamb of God: have mercy on us. Jesus, bearer of our sins: have mercy on us.

Jesus, redeemer, redeemer of the world: give us your peace, give us your peace.
(All baptized persons are welcome to receive the sacrament at our altar rail.)

Communion Hymn “Here is love”

Here is love vast as the ocean, loving kindness as the flood,
When the Prince of Life, our ransom, shed for us His precious blood.
Who His love will not remember, who can cease to sing His praise?
He can never be forgotten throughout heaven’s eternal days.

On the mount of crucifixion fountains opened deep and wide;
Through the floodgates of God’s mercy flowed a vast and gracious tide.
Grace and love, like mighty rivers, poured incessant from above;
And heaven’s peace and perfect justice kissed a guilty world in love.

By Matt Redman Song words used by Permission CCLI #940217

“I’m pressing on the upward way”

I’m pressing on the upward way, New heights I’m gaining every day;
Still praying as I onward bound, “Lord, plant my feet on higher ground.”

Refrain:

Lord, lift me up, and let me stand, By faith, on heaven’s table land;
A higher plane than I have found, Lord, plant my feet on higher ground.

My heart has no desire to stay, Where doubts arise and fears dismay;
Though some may dwell where these abound, My prayer, my aim is higher ground.

I want to live above the world, Though satan’s darts at me are hurled;
For faith has caught a joyful sound, The song of saints on higher ground.

I want to scale the utmost height, And catch a gleam of glory bright;
But still I’ll pray till heav’n I’ve found, “Lord, lead me on to higher ground.”

Words: J. Oatman, Jr. Music: C.H. Gabriel CCLI #940217

“You are my all in all”

You are my strength when I am weak, you are the treasure that I seek, you are my all in all.
Seeking you as a precious jewel, Lord to give up I’d be a fool. You are my all in all.

Refrain

Jesus, Lamb of God. worthy is your name. Jesus, Lamb of God. Worthy is your name.

Taking my sin, my cross, my shame, rising again I bless your name. You are my all in all.
When I fall down you pick me up. When I am dry you fill my cup. You are my all in all.
(Refrain)

When the dark powers had done their worst, Jesus brought victory o'er their curse.
He is our all in all. Death could not hold the King of kings, now to His heirs new life He brings;
He is our all in all. (Refrain)

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After Communion the Celebrant says
Let us pray

Celebrant and people

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.

The Prayer Over the People

Bishop Our help is in the Name of the Lord;

People *The maker of heaven and earth.*

Bishop Blessed be the Name of the Lord;

People *From this time forth for evermore.*

Bishop The blessing, mercy, and grace of God Almighty, the Father, the Son,
and the Holy Spirit, be upon you, and remain with you for ever. Amen.

Hymn #525 "The Church's one foundation"

The Dismissal

Priest *Alleluia! Let us go forth in the name of Christ.*

People *Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!*

Postlude

"Prelude in D Minor"

J.S. Bach

Altar flowers are given to the glory of God in honor of the
Confirmands and Graduates, by Andrea Krushinski.

Please join us in the Parish Hall for a reception/picnic hosted by the St. Thomas
Vestry in honor of Bishop Solak and in recognition of the church's newest members.

We at St. Thomas, members of the Body of Christ, are called by God to Grow;
Spiritually, in Parish Life, in Community Life, and as a Congregation.

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Those Being Confirmed

Matthew David Fischer, son of James Fischer and Jessica Reynolds Fischer

Alex Henry Krushinski, son of Brad Krushinski and Andrea Krushinski

William Lugar, son of Ronald J. Lugar and Mary Suzanne Lugar

Andrew John Pierce, son of John Pierce and Allison Pierce

Those Being Received

Charles J. Lynch Jr., son of Charles Lynch and Theresa Lynch

Ruth Lynch, daughter of Elizabeth Haggerty and Dominick Dell'Omo

Stephen M. Vitunic, son of Joseph Vitunic and Margaret Vitunic

Those Receiving Acolyte Awards

Chase Eber

Paul Pierce

This week's birthdays: Cheryl Doerfler June 11

We welcome the Rt. Rev. Ketlen Solak, Bishop of the Diocese of Pittsburgh,
today.

We thank the new members of the Vestry for the planning and coordination of the picnic
and all who helped.

UPCOMING / ONGOING EVENTS:

Monday—Thursday 9 am Morning Prayer in the Thomas House Chapel
Tuesdays at 11 am Bible Study in the Guild Room
Wednesdays at 10 am Healing Eucharist Service in the Thomas House Chapel
Wednesdays at 7 pm Choir Practice in the choir room (basement)
Sundays at 9:30 Adult Sunday School in the Guild Room

** Please join us in welcoming Bishop Solak and the newly confirmed and received during our annual parish picnic following the 10:30 service today.

Participants for this service:

Acolytes: Shahnaz Alam-Denlinger, Mason Eber, Thomas Fischer

First Lesson: Shahnaz Alam-Denlinger

Psalm : Thomas Fischer

Second Lesson: James Fischer

Prayers: Ted Denlinger

Bishop's Verger: R.J. King

Verger: Richard Williams

Ushers: Ted Denlinger, James Fischer

Musicians: Rachel Almada, Chase Eber, Jessica Fischer, Jeff Murph, Meloni Murph, John Pierce

Last week's attendance: 8:00 service: 33

 10:30 service: 46

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