



# THE GATHERING

## Hymn

- 1 Thou whose almighty word  
chaos and darkness heard,  
and took their flight;  
hear us, we humbly pray,  
and where the Gospel-day  
sheds not its glorious ray,  
let there be light.
- 2 Thou, who didst come to bring  
on thy redeeming wing  
healing and sight,  
health to the sick in mind,  
sight to the inly blind,  
now to all humankind  
let there be light.
- 3 Spirit of truth and love,  
life-giving, holy Dove,  
speed forth thy flight;  
move on the water's face,  
bearing the lamp of grace,  
and in earth's darkest place  
let there be light.

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4 Holy and blessed Three,  
glorious Trinity,  
Wisdom, Love, Might;  
boundless as ocean's tide  
rolling in fullest pride,  
through the earth far and wide  
let there be light.

*John Marriott (1780-1825)*

MOSCOW

*Thomas Raffles (1788-1863) Felice de Giardini (1716-96)*

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## Greeting

*The President says*

Grace, mercy and peace  
from God our Father  
and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you  
**and also with you.**

## Opening Responses

We come to worship God in our need,  
**bringing with us  
the wounds of the world.**

We come to God, who meets us in Jesus,  
**and reconciles us to him  
through his blood.**

We come as we are, because it is God  
who invites us to come;  
**God has promised  
never to turn us away.**

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## Prayers of Penitence

*The Deacon says*

God shows his love for us  
in that, while we were still sinners,  
Christ died for us.

Let us then show our love for him  
by confessing our sins in penitence and  
faith.

You raise the dead to life in the Spirit:  
Lord, have mercy.

**Lord, have mercy.**

You bring pardon and peace to the sinner:  
Christ, have mercy.

**Christ, have mercy.**

You bring light to those in darkness:  
Lord, have mercy.

**Lord, have mercy.**

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## Absolution

*The President says*

God, the Father of mercies,  
has reconciled the world to himself  
through the death and resurrection  
of his Son, Jesus Christ,  
not holding our sins against us,  
but sending his Holy Spirit  
to shed abroad his love among us.  
By the ministry of reconciliation  
entrusted by Christ to his Church,  
receive his pardon and peace to stand  
before him in his strength alone  
this day and for evermore. **Amen.**

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## Gloria

*The choir sings*

Glory be to God on high,  
and in earth peace, good will towards men.

We praise thee, we bless thee,  
we worship thee, we glorify thee,  
we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,

O Lord God, heavenly King,

God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son,

Jesu Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God,

Son of the Father,

that takest away the sins of the world,

have mercy upon us.

Thou that takest away the sins of the

world, receive our prayer.

Thou that sittest

at the right hand of God the Father,

have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy;

thou only art the Lord;

thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,

art most high in the glory of God the

Father. Amen.

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## Collect

*The President says*

Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose only Son  
has opened for us a new and living way  
into your presence:

give us pure hearts and steadfast wills  
to worship you in spirit and in truth;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God,  
now and for ever.

**Amen.**

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## New Testament

A reading from the letter of James.

2. 1-10, 14-17

My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favouritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, 'Have a seat here, please', while to the one who is poor you say, 'Stand there', or, 'Sit at my feet', have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? But you have dishonoured the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you? You do well if you really fulfil the royal law according to the scripture, 'You shall love your neighbour as

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yourself.' But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it.

What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, and one of you says to them, 'Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill', and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

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- 1 I heard the voice of Jesus say:  
'come unto me and rest;  
lay down, thou weary one, lay down  
thy head upon my breast.'  
I came to Jesus as I was,  
weary and worn and sad,  
I found in him a resting-place,  
and he has made me glad.
- 2 I heard the voice of Jesus say:  
'behold, I freely give  
the living water; thirsty one,  
stoop down and drink and live.'  
I came to Jesus, and I drank  
of that life-giving stream;  
my thirst was quenched, my soul  
and now I live in him.                      revived,
- 3 I heard the voice of Jesus say:  
'I am this dark world's Light;  
look unto me, thy morn shall rise,  
and all thy day be bright.'  
I looked to Jesus, and I found  
in him my star, my sun;  
and in that light of life I'll walk,  
till travelling days are done.

KINGSFOLD

*Horatius Bonar (1808-89)*

*Anonymous English*

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## Gospel Acclamation

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

I have called you friends, says the Lord,  
for all that I have heard from my Father  
I have made known to you.

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

## Holy Gospel

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to Mark. 7. 24-end

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

From there Jesus set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. He said to her, 'Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs.' But she answered him, 'Sir, even the dogs under

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the table eat the children's crumbs.' Then he said to her, 'For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your daughter.' So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone. Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, 'Ephphatha', that is, 'Be opened.' And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. They were astounded beyond measure, saying, 'He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

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## **Sermon**

### **Nicene Creed**

**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.  
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only 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.**

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**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 worshipped 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.**

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## Prayers of Intercession

In the power of the Spirit  
and in union with Christ,  
let us pray to the Father.

*After each petition  
the following response may be used*

Lord in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

*At the end*

Merciful Father,  
**accept these prayers  
for the sake of your Son,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

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## Peace

*The President says*

Peace to you from God our Father  
who hears our cry.

Peace from his Son Jesus Christ  
whose death brings healing.

Peace from the Holy Spirit  
who gives us life and strength

The peace of the Lord be always with you  
**and also with you.**

## Preparation of the Altar

Blessed be God, who feeds the hungry,  
who raises the poor, who fills our praise.

**Blessed be God for ever.**

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## Eucharistic Prayer

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 thanks and praise.**

Almighty God, good Father to us all,  
your face is turned towards your world.  
In love you gave us Jesus your Son  
to rescue us from sin and death.  
Your Word goes out to call us home  
to the city where angels sing your praise.  
We join with them in heaven's song:

*The choir sings*

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of hosts,  
heaven and earth are full of thy glory.  
Glory be to thee, O Lord most High.  
Blessed is he that cometh  
in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.

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*The President continues*

Father of all, we give you thanks  
for every gift that comes from heaven.  
To the darkness Jesus came as your light.  
With signs of faith and words of hope  
he touched untouchables with love  
and washed the guilty clean.

This is his story.

**This is our song:**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

The crowds came out to see your Son,  
yet at the end they turned on him.  
On the night he was betrayed  
he came to table with his friends  
to celebrate the freedom of your people.

This is his story.

**This is our song:**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

Jesus blessed you, Father, for the food;  
he took bread, gave thanks,  
broke it and said:

This is my body, given for you all.

Jesus then gave thanks for the wine;  
he took the cup, gave it and said:

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This is my blood,  
shed for you all for the forgiveness of sins.  
Do this in remembrance of me.

This is our story.

**This is our song:**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

Therefore, Father, with this bread  
and this cup we celebrate the cross  
on which he died to set us free.  
Defying death he rose again and is alive  
with you to plead for us and all the world.

This is our story.

**This is our song:**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

Send your Spirit on us now  
that by these gifts we may feed on Christ  
with opened eyes and hearts on fire.  
May we and all who share this food offer  
ourselves to live for you  
and be welcomed at your feast in heaven  
where all creation worships you,  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit:  
**Blessing and honour and glory and  
power be yours for ever and ever.  
Amen.**

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## **Lord's Prayer**

Gathering our prayers and praises  
into one,  
as our Saviour taught us, so we pray.

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation  
but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours  
now and for ever. Amen.**

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## Breaking of the Bread

*The President says*

We break this bread  
to share in the body of Christ.

**Though we are many,  
we are one body,  
because we all share in one bread.**

## Giving of Communion

God's holy gifts for God's holy people.

**Jesus Christ is holy,  
Jesus Christ is Lord,  
to the glory of God the Father.**

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## **Agnus Dei**

*The choir sings*

O Lamb of God,  
that takest away the sins of the world,  
have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God,  
that takest away the sins of the world,  
have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God,  
that takest away the sins of the world,  
grant us thy peace.

## **Communion Motet**

If ye love me      *Thomas Tallis (1505-85)*

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## Post Communion Prayer

*The President says*

Let us pray.

Lord God, the source of truth and love,  
keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching  
and fellowship,  
united in prayer and the breaking of bread,  
and one in joy and simplicity of heart,  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

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## Blessing

Christ, who has nourished us  
with himself the living bread,  
make you one in praise and love,  
and raise you up at the last day;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.  
**Amen.**

*The Deacon says*

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**In the name of Christ. Amen.**

# THE DISMISSAL

- 1 To God be the glory!  
Great things He hath done;  
so loved He the world  
that He gave us His Son,  
who yielded His life  
an atonement for sin,  
and opened the life gate  
that all may go in:

*Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!  
let the earth hear His voice;  
Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!  
Let the people rejoice!  
O come to the Father,  
through Jesus the Son;  
And give Him the glory;  
great things He hath done!*

- 2 O perfect redemption,  
the purchase of blood!  
To every believer  
the promise of God;  
the vilest offender  
who truly believes,  
that moment from Jesus  
a pardon receives.

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3 Great things he hath taught us,  
great things He hath done,  
and great our rejoicing  
through Jesus the Son;  
but purer, and higher,  
and greater will be  
Our wonder, our rapture,  
when Jesus we see.

TO GOD BE THE GLORY

*Frances Jane van Alstyne (Fanny Crosby) (1820-1915)*

*William Deane (1832-1915)*

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