



ST. THOMAS
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY
FEBRUARY 8, 2026

Holy Eucharist

10:00 am

*Almighty and merciful God,
you call your people to be salt of the earth and light for the world:
season our lives with your grace,
that what we say and do may preserve what is good,
heal what is broken,
and kindle hope where shadows linger.*

*Set our hearts afame with the light of Christ,
that we may shine not for our own glory
but for love of you and for the life of your world;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.*

Amen.

Childcare for children ages 4 and under is available 9am-1pm in the Ebsworth Life Center.
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Louis Vierne

CALL TO WORSHIP*The pealing of the bell calls us to prayer.***HYMN AT THE PROCESSION***Christ, whose glory fills the skies**All rise as able and sing.*

1 Christ, whose glo - ry fills the skies, Christ, the true, the on - ly Light,
 2 Dark and cheer-less is the morn un - ac - com - pan - ied by thee;
 3 Vis - it then this soul of mine! Pierce the gloom of sin and grief!

Sun of Right-eous - ness, a - rise! Tri-umph o'er the shades of night:
 joy-less is the day's re - turn, till thy mer - cy's beams I see,
 Fill me, ra - dian - cy di - vine; scat - ter all my un - be - lief;

Day-spring from on high, be near; Day-star, in my heart ap - pear.
 till they in - ward light im - part, glad my eyes, and warm my heart.
 more and more thy - self dis - play, shin - ing to the per - fect day.

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OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit

All **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

COLLECT FOR PURITY

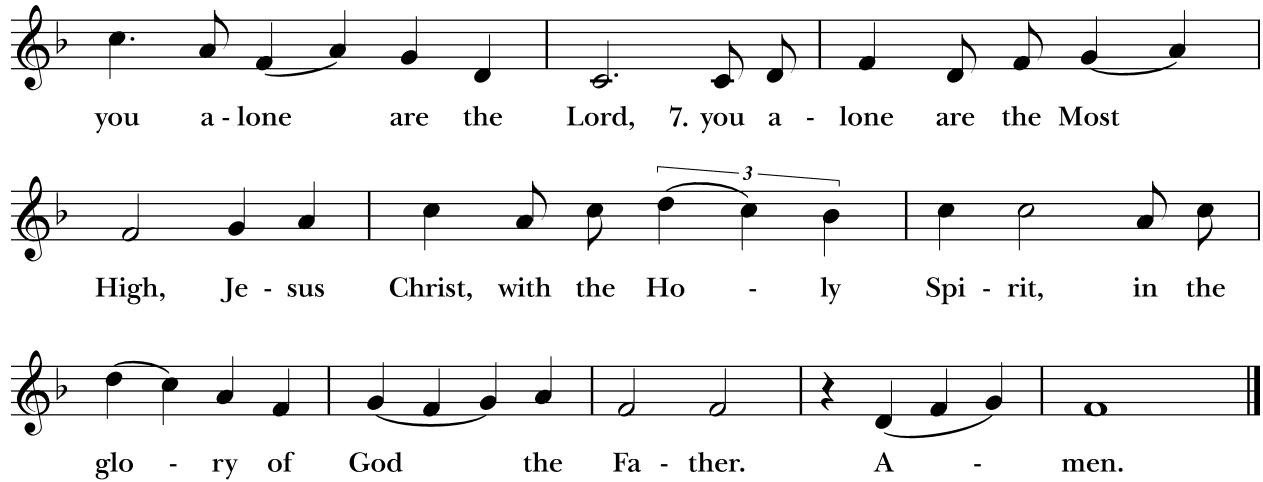
Celebrant Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

GLORIA

All sing.

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re -
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,



COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins, and give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

All are seated.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST READING

Lector A Reading from the Prophet Isaiah (58:1-12).

Shout out, do not hold back!

Lift up your voice like a trumpet!

Announce to my people their rebellion,
to the house of Jacob their sins.

Yet day after day they seek me

and delight to know my ways,

as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness
and did not forsake the ordinance of their God;

they ask of me righteous judgments,

they delight to draw near to God.

“Why do we fast, but you do not see?

Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?”

Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day,

and oppress all your workers.

Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight
and to strike with a wicked fist.
Such fasting as you do today
will not make your voice heard on high.
Is such the fast that I choose,
a day to humble oneself?
Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush,
and to lie in sackcloth and ashes?
Will you call this a fast,
a day acceptable to the Lord?

Is not this the fast that I choose:
to loose the bonds of injustice,
to undo the thongs of the yoke,
to let the oppressed go free,
and to break every yoke?
Is it not to share your bread with the hungry,
and bring the homeless poor into your house;
when you see the naked, to cover them,
and not to hide yourself from your own kin?
Then your light shall break forth like the dawn,
and your healing shall spring up quickly;
your vindicator shall go before you,
the glory of the Lord shall be your rear guard.
Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer;
you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am.

If you remove the yoke from among you,
the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil,
if you offer your food to the hungry
and satisfy the needs of the afflicted,
then your light shall rise in the darkness
and your gloom be like the noonday.

The Lord will guide you continually,
and satisfy your needs in parched places,
and make your bones strong;
and you shall be like a watered garden,
like a spring of water,
whose waters never fail.

Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt;
you shall raise up the foundations of many generations;
you shall be called the repairer of the breach,
the restorer of streets to live in.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM

Psalm 112

chant by Richard Massey

Beatus vir

Sung by the choir.

1 Hallelujah!

Happy are they who fear the Lord *
and have great delight in his commandments!

2 Their descendants will be mighty in the land; *
the generation of the upright will be blessed.

3 Wealth and riches will be in their house, *
and their righteousness will last for ever.

4 Light shines in the darkness for the upright; *
the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.

5 It is good for them to be generous in lending *
and to manage their affairs with justice.

6 For they will never be shaken; *
the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.

7 They will not be afraid of any evil rumors; *
their heart is right;
they put their trust in the Lord.

8 Their heart is established and will not shrink, *
until they see their desire upon their enemies.

9 They have given freely to the poor, *
and their righteousness stands fast for ever;
they will hold up their head with honor.

10 The wicked will see it and be angry;
they will gnash their teeth and pine away; *
the desires of the wicked will perish.



THE SECOND READING

Lector A reading from Paul's first letter to the Corinthians (2:1-12).

When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the mystery of God to you in lofty words or wisdom. For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. My speech and my proclamation were not with plausible words of wisdom, but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God.

Yet among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to perish. But we speak God's wisdom, secret and hidden, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. None of the rulers of this age understood this; for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. But, as it is written,

“What no eye has seen, nor ear heard,
 nor the human heart conceived,
what God has prepared for those who love him”—

these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. For what human being knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God's except the Spirit of God. Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**



THE SEQUENCE HYMN

We are marching in the light of God

All rise as able and sing.

We are march - ing in the light of God, we are
 We are pray - ing in the light of God, we are

march - ing in the light of God, we are march - ing in the
 pray - ing in the light of God. we are march - ing in the

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light of God, we are march - ing in the light of, the
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we are march - ing in the light of God. we are
 we are pray - ing in the light of God.

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We are march - ing
We are pray - ing

light of God.
light of God.
We are march - ing,
We are pray - ing,
march - ing, we are
pray - ing,
Oo
Oo
we are march - ing in the light of God.
we are pray - ing in the light of God.
march - ing, we are
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march - ing in the light of God.
pray - ing in the light of God.
march - ing, we are
pray - ing, we are
We are march - ing
We are pray - ing

— Oo—
— Oo—

march-ing, march-ing, we are march-ing in the light of God.
pray-ing, pray-ing, we are pray-ing in the light of God.

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THE GOSPEL

Gospeler The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mathew (5:13-20).
All **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, “You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot.

“You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

“Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.”

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.
All **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

All may be seated.

THE SERMON

Silence follows the sermon.

The Rev. Edmund Harris

All stand as able and say together.

THE NICENE CREED

All 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: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from 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. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He 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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Intercessor Most gracious God, you led the wise men to Bethlehem by the shining of a star. In this season of Epiphany, we ask you to illuminate the path you would have us travel. Shed your sacred light upon us and, through us, upon your world.

Heavenly Father, we pray for the church universal and all those who labor to spread the light of your divine love and forgiveness. In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui. In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for All Saints', Bellevue; St. Michael & All Angels, Issaquah; and St. John's, Kirkland. Almighty Father, grant wisdom to all who serve in your name, give them faith, patience and perseverance. Let us be united in the Holy Spirit as we proclaim your glory and go forth to serve the world.

God of Light,

All Hear our prayer.

Intercessor Loving God, you call us to live in the light of love. We pray for our St. Thomas congregation and clergy, our vestry and all lay leaders. Let your grace shine through us and unite us in service to each other and to our community.

All God of Light,
Hear our prayer.

Intercessor Gracious God, we ask your blessing upon our country and all those in authority, that they may govern with justice and equity for all. Help us to become a nation in which every person's dignity is honored, their rights respected and protected, and opportunity is open to all.

All God of Light,
Hear our prayer.

Intercessor Loving Lord, we ask you to send your peace to this pain-filled world. We pray especially for all who are victims of war, violence or natural disasters, those who are suffering and those who live in fear. Make us peace makers and help us to transform the world from what it is, into to what you have created it to be.

All God of justice,
Hear our prayer.

Intercessor Loving God, let your light shine forth, illuminating every broken place in hearts and bodies. We give thanks for all healers of body, mind and spirit. We commend to your love all those who are suffering, the sick, the grieving, the lonely, the forgotten. Grant them comfort, peace and healing. We pray especially for:

All **Jim, Zarin, Dave, Velvet, Lee, Tina, Nancy, Steve, Mary, Kathy, Mary, Niell, John, Sarah, Dorothy, Barbara, Tom, Donna, George, Cam, Mary Ann, Martha, and Catherine & Jim.**

Intercessor And we pray for the blessed departed, that your eternal light may shine upon them, and grant them your peace. We especially pray for:

All **Mark Moriarty, Susan Gibson, Virgil Charest, Alex Prett, Renee Good, Charles Pigott, Alex Schmitz, Luigi Micheli, Joan Bradley, Lynn Woodard, Janet Jones, Bryan Elliott, Jean Johnson, Jean Haehl, and Jane Leffingwell.**

Intercessor Please add the intercessions and thanksgivings you hold in your heart, either silently or aloud.

Silence.

All God of all blessings,
Hear our prayer.

Celebrant God of unity and peace, you call your Church into one body through your Son. Hear the prayers we offer this day, heal what divides us, and send us out as signs of your reconciling love; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

All **Amen.**

The Anglican Church in Hong Kong, known locally as the Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui (HKS KH), is the province of the Anglican Communion covering Hong Kong and Macau. It traces its roots back to the mid-19th century, with the first Anglican worship in Hong Kong beginning in the 1840s and St. John's Cathedral founded in 1849, making it one of the oldest Christian communities in the region. HKS KH became an independent province of the worldwide Anglican Communion on 25 October 1998, and today comprises three dioceses—Hong Kong Island, Eastern Kowloon, Western Kowloon—and the Missionary Area of Macau, with over 50 parishes and mission churches. In addition to worship and pastoral ministry, the Church is deeply involved in education and social service, operating schools and community programs that express its commitment to faith in action.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All **And also with you.**

The ministers and the people greet one another.

ANNOUNCEMENTS *As stewards of all that God has given us, we share the many ways to be engaged in the life of our community.*

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Celebrant Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

An offering is received to support the mission of St. Thomas. All are invited to make a gift as the plate is passed, using the QR code at right, or at stthomasmedina.org/giving.



OFFERTORY ANTHEM

This little light of mine

African American Spiritual
arr. Paul Christiansen

This little light of mine,
I'm gonna let it shine.
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Ev'rywhere I go,
I'm gonna let it shine.
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

All through the night,
I'm gonna let it shine.
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

text: African American Spiritual

PRESENTATION HYMN

I want to walk as a child of the light

All rise as able and sing.

The musical score consists of five staves of music in G clef, 2/4 time, and B-flat key signature. The music is divided into four sections of lyrics, each with a different melody. The first section starts with a dotted half note followed by an eighth note. The second section starts with a dotted half note followed by a quarter note. The third section starts with a dotted half note followed by an eighth note. The fourth section starts with a dotted half note followed by a quarter note. The lyrics are as follows:

1 I want to walk as a child of the light.

I want to fol - low Je - sus.

God set the stars to give light to the world. The

star of my life is Je - sus.

Refrain

In him there is no dark - ness at all. The

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night and the day are both a - like. The

Lamb is the light of the ci - ty of God.

rit.

a tempo

Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.



THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give him 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. For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world. 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

All sing.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly
 ho - ly Lord God of hosts.
 Heav-en and earth are filled with your glo - ry.
 Ho - san - na in the high - est.

— Bless-ed is He who comes in the name
 — of the Lord, of the Lord.
 Ho-san-na in the high-
 est, ho-san-na in the high-
 est

Celebrant Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, 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. On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, “Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

Celebrant After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, “Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

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, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

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

All AMEN.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

All 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 bread is broken.



FRACTION ANTHEM

All sing.

Lamb of God, you take a way the sins of the world: have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take a way the sins of the world: have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take a way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

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INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All may be seated for the time of Communion.

Ushers will guide each row to the altar rail to receive Holy Communion. Please follow their instructions. Intinction (dipping the bread in the wine) is **not** available at this time. If you prefer to receive a blessing (or not to receive bread and/or wine), place your arms across your chest as a sign. Gluten-free Holy Communion wafers are available upon request. If you need a gluten-free wafer, please inform the priest at the altar rail.

COMMUNION HYMN

*Lord of all being, throned afar**All sing.*

1 Lord of all be - ing, throned a - far, thy glo - ry
 2 Sun of our life, thy quick - ening ray sheds on our
 3 Lord of all life, be - low, a - bove, whose light is
 4 Grant us thy truth to make us free, and kin - dling

flames from sun and star; cen - ter and soul of
 path the glow of day; star of our hope, thy
 truth, whose warmth is love, be - fore thy ev - er -
 hearts that burn for thee, till all thy liv - ing

ev - ery sphere, yet to each lov - ing heart how near!
 soft - ened light cheers the long watch - es of the night.
 blaz - ing throne we ask no lus - ter of our own.
 al - tars claim one ho - ly light, one heaven - ly flame.



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*Music: Mendon, melody from *Methodist Harmonist*, 1821; adapt. Lowell Mason (1792-1872)*

COMMUNION HYMN

You have come down to the lakeshore

All sing.

1 Lord, speak to me, that I may speak in the
 2 O lead me, Lord, that I may lead the
 3 O teach me, Lord, that I may teach the

liv - ing ech - oes of thy tone; as thou has sought, so
 wand-ering and the wav - ering feet; O feed me, Lord, that
 pre - cious things thou dost im - part; and wing my words, that

let me seek thy err - ing child - ren lost and lone.
 I may feed thy hun - gry ones with man - na sweet.
 they may reach the hid - den depths of many a heart.

Voice Found, 98 ©; Words: Frances R. Havergal (1836-1879)

*Music: Canonbury, adapt. Robert A. Schumann (1810-1856), from *Nachtstücke*, 1839; arr. from *Hymnal with Tunes, Old and New*, 1872*



All rise as able.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Celebrant Let us pray.

All 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.

EUCCHARISTIC VISITOR BLESSING *** When appropriate.*

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.

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

THE BLESSING

Celebrant The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be among you, and remain with you always.

All **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN

Lord, whose love through humble service

All sing.



1 Lord, whose love through hum - ble ser - vice bore the weight of hu - man
2 Still your chil - dren wan - der home - less; still the hun - gry cry for
3 As we wor - ship, grant us vi - sion, till your love's re - veal - ing
4 Called by wor - ship to your ser - vice, forth in your dear name we

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Music: Blaenbafren, Welsh melody*



THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
All Thanks be to God.

VOLUNTARY

Obangiji

Fela Sowande

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