# THE REAFFIRMATION OF ORDINATION VOWS

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Tuesday in Holy Week April 4, 2023 at 11 am Grace Church, Madison, New Jersey

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## HOLY EUCHARIST WITH THE REAFFIRMATION OF ORDINATION VOWS, BLESSING OF HOLY OILS, AND HEALING

#### **PRELUDE**

Sanctus *Orbis* Factor Dobrinka Karpatova

#### **ENTRANCE HYMN**

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#### A PENITENTIAL ORDER

Bishop Blessed be the God of our salvation: People

Who bears our burdens and forgives our sins.

The Bishop may read one of the following sentences

Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these." Mark 12:29-31

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 1 John 1:8,9

Since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. Hebrews 4:14, 16

Deacon or Bishop

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

All God of all mercy,

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we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives.

We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created.

We repent of the evil that enslaves us,

the evil we have done,

and the evil done on our behalf.

Forgive, restore, and strengthen us

through our Savior Jesus Christ,

that we may abide in your love

and serve only your will. Amen.

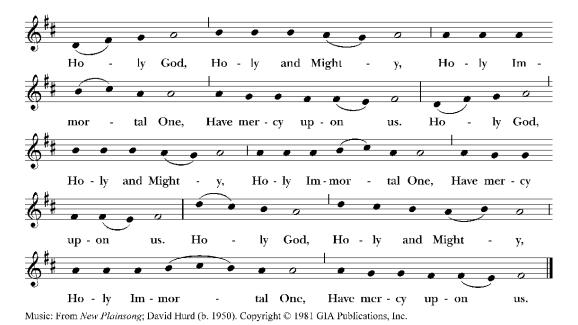
Bishop

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.** 

#### THE WORD OF GOD

#### **TRISAGION**

The Hymnal 1982, S 100



#### COLLECT OF THE DAY

Bishop God be with you.

People And also with you.

Bishop Let us pray.

O God, by the passion of your blessed Son you made an instrument of shameful death to be for us the means of life: Grant us so to glory in the cross of Christ, that we may gladly suffer shame and loss for the sake of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People Amen.

#### **LESSON**

#### adapted from Isaiah 49:1-7

- Reader 1 A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah.
- Reader 1 Listen to me, O coastlands, pay attention, you peoples from far away! The LORD called me before I was born; while I was in my mother's womb he named me. He made my mouth like a sharp sword, in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me a polished arrow, in his quiver he hid me away.
- Reader 2 And the LORD said, "You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified."
- Reader 1 I have labored in vain, I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely my cause is with the LORD, and my reward with my God.
- Reader 2 "I formed you in the womb to be my servant, to bring Jacob back to me, and that Israel might be gathered to me" said the LORD.
- Reader 1 For I am honored in the sight of the LORD, and my God has become my strength.
- Reader 2 God then said, "It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the survivors of Israel; I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth. Kings shall see and stand up, princes, and they shall prostrate themselves, because of the LORD, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you."
- Reader 2 Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
- People Thanks be to God.

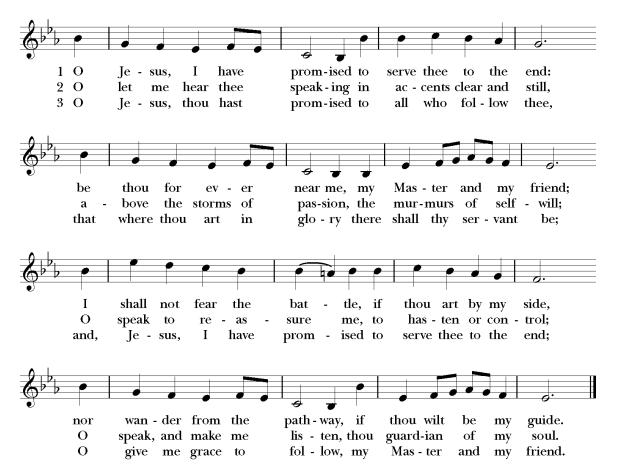
#### PSALM 71

Read responsively by whole verse

- In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge; \* let me never be ashamed.
- In your righteousness, deliver me and set me free; \* incline your ear to me and save me.
- 3 Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe; \* you are my crag and my stronghold.
- 4 Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked, \* from the clutches of the evildoer and the oppressor.
- 5 For you are my hope, O Lord GOD, \* my confidence since I was young.
- I have been sustained by you ever since I was born; from my mother's womb you have been my strength; \*
  my praise shall be always of you.
- 7 I have become a portent to many; \* but you are my refuge and my strength.

- 8 Let my mouth be full of your praise \* and your glory all the day long.
- 9 Do not cast me off in my old age; \* forsake me not when my strength fails.
- For my enemies are talking against me, \* and those who lie in wait for my life take counsel together.
- They say, "God has forsaken him; go after him and seize him; \*
  because there is none who will save."
- O God, be not far from me; \*
  come quickly to help me, O my God.
- Let those who set themselves against me be put to shame and be disgraced; \* let those who seek to do me evil be covered with scorn and reproach.
- But I shall always wait in patience, \* and shall praise you more and more.

**HYMN** The Hymnal 1982, 655



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GOSPEL John 12:20-36

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Deacon

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor. Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say— 'Father, save me from this hour'? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die. The crowd answered him, "We have heard from the law that the Messiah remains forever. How can you say that the Son of Man must be lifted up? Who is this Son of Man?" Jesus said to them, "The light is with you for a little longer. Walk while you have the light, so that the darkness may not overtake you. If you walk in the darkness, you do not know where you are going. While you have the light, believe in the light, so that you may become children of light." After Jesus had said this, he departed and hid from them.

Juan 12:20-36 (RVA)

Entonces vino una voz del cielo: "¡Ya lo he glorificado y lo glorificaré otra vez!".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> Había ciertos griegos entre los que habían subido a adorar en la fiesta. <sup>21</sup> Ellos se acercaron a Felipe, que era de Betsaida de Galilea, y le rogaban diciendo:—Señor, quisiéramos ver a Jesús. <sup>22</sup> Felipe fue y se lo dijo a Andrés. Andrés y Felipe se lo dijeron a Jesús. <sup>23</sup> Y Jesús les respondió diciendo:

<sup>—</sup>Ha llegado la hora para que el Hijo del Hombre sea glorificado. <sup>24</sup> De cierto, de cierto les digo que a menos que el grano de trigo caiga en la tierra y muera, queda solo, pero si muere lleva mucho fruto. <sup>25</sup> El que ama su vida la pierde; pero el que odia su vida en este mundo, para vida eterna la guardará. <sup>26</sup> Si alguno me sirve, sígame; y donde yo estoy allí también estará mi servidor. Si alguno me sirve, el Padre le honrará.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>27</sup>»Ahora está turbada mi alma. ¿Qué diré: "Padre, sálvame de esta hora"? ¡Al contrario, para esto he llegado a esta hora! <sup>28</sup> Padre, glorifica tu nombre.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>29</sup>La multitud que estaba presente y escuchó decía que había sido un trueno. Otros decían: —¡Un ángel le ha hablado!

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>30</sup> Jesús respondió y dijo:

<sup>—</sup>No ha venido esta voz por causa mía sino por causa de ustedes. <sup>31</sup> Ahora es el juicio de este mundo. Ahora será echado fuera el príncipe de este mundo. <sup>32</sup> Y yo, cuando sea levantado de la tierra, atraeré a todos a mí mismo.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>33</sup> Esto decía dando a entender de qué muerte había de morir. <sup>34</sup> Entonces la gente le respondió: —Nosotros hemos oído que, según la ley, el Cristo permanece para siempre. ¿Y cómo es que tú dices: "Es necesario que el Hijo del Hombre sea levantado"? ¿Quién es este Hijo del Hombre?

<sup>35</sup> Entonces Jesús les dijo:

—Aún por un poco de tiempo está la luz entre ustedes. Anden mientras tienen la luz para que no los sorprendan las tinieblas. Porque el que anda en tinieblas no sabe a dónde va. <sup>36</sup> Mientras tienen la luz crean en la luz para que sean hijos de luz.

Estas cosas habló Jesús y, al apartarse, se escondió de ellos.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

#### **SERMON**

The Right Reverend Carlye J. Hughes XI Bishop of Newark

Silence for reflection follows

#### THE RENEWAL OF VOWS

After the Sermon, the Bishop addresses those who are to renew their vows. They face the Bishop, who says these or similar words

Dear friends, the ministry we share is none other than the sacrificial ministry of Christ, who gave himself up to death on the cross for the salvation of the world. By his glorious resurrection he has opened for us the way of everlasting life. By the gift of the Holy Spirit he shares with us the riches of his grace.

We are called to proclaim his death and resurrection, to administer the Sacraments of the New Covenant which he sealed with his blood on the cross, and to care for his people in the power of the Spirit.

Do you here, in the presence of Christ and his Church, renew your commitment to your ministry, under the pastoral direction of your bishop?

Answer I do.

Bishop Do you reaffirm your promise to give yourself to prayer and study?

Answer I do.

Bishop Do you reaffirm your promise so to minister the Word of God and the Sacraments of the New

Covenant that the reconciling love of Christ may be known and received?

Answer I do.

Bishop Do you reaffirm your promise to be a faithful servant of all those committed to your care,

patterning your life in accordance with the teachings of Christ, so that you may be a

wholesome example to your people?

Answer I do.

The Bishop then makes this affirmation

And now, as your bishop, I, too, before God and you, re-dedicate myself and reaffirm the promises that I made when I was ordained. I ask your prayers.

Bishop May the Lord who has given us the will to do these things, and Clergy give us also the grace and power to perform them.

In peace, let us pray to Christ, saying, "Christe eleison."

For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault at the day of your coming, we pray.

#### Christe eleison.

For all members of your Church in their vocation and ministry, that they may serve you in a true and godly life, we pray.

#### Christe eleison.

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, for Carlye our own Bishop, for all bishops, priests, and deacons, that they may be filled with your love, may hunger for truth, and may thirst after righteousness, we pray.

#### Christe eleison.

For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease, and that all may be one as you and the Father are one, we pray.

#### Christe eleison.

For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray.

#### Christe eleison.

For those who do not yet believe, and for those who have lost their faith, that they may receive the light of the Gospel, we pray.

#### Christe eleison.

For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray.

#### Christe eleison.

For those in positions of public trust especially Joe our President and Phil our Governor, that they may serve justice, and promote the dignity and freedom of every person, we pray.

#### Christe eleison.

For all who live and work in our communities, for those who are unemployed and for those who are underemployed, we pray.

#### Christe eleison.

For those who are poor, those who are persecuted, those who are sick, especially those with COVID-19, and for all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; for those lonely and isolated; for all who suffer from depression and other mental health concerns; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray.

#### Christe eleison.

For all victims of war and violence, particularly in Ukraine and all places in strife; for victims of gun violence and mass shootings; for all those who continue to suffer and are oppressed by systems and individuals rooted in transphobia, sexism, homophobia, and racism, we pray.

#### Christe eleison.

For our enemies and those who wish us harm; and for all whom we have injured or offended, we pray.

#### Christe eleison.

For ourselves; for the forgiveness of our sins, and for the grace of the Holy Spirit to amend our lives, we pray.

#### Christe eleison.

For this diocesan clergy community, for those who are present, and for those who are absent; cultivate in us, we pray, a spirit of collegiality and support for one another, that we may continue in the work you have begun in us, we pray.

#### Christe eleison.

For all other concerns and petitions . . . *Silence, prayers may be offered* For all these, we pray.

#### Christe eleison.

For all who have died in the communion of your Church, and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray.

#### Christe eleison.

Rejoicing in the fellowship of the ever-blessed Virgin Mary, and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God.

#### To you, O Lord our God.

Silence

The Bishop adds a concluding Collect, or the following Doxology

For yours is the majesty, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

#### THE PEACE

Bishop The peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

#### THE HOLY COMMUNION

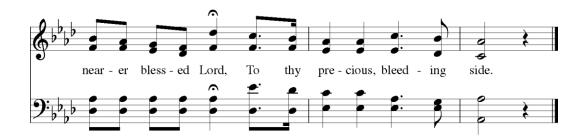
The Bishop may introduce the Offertory with a sentence of Scripture

There are alms basins near the doors for those wishing to make a monetary offering at the end of the service. The money will be sent to The Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem. Checks can be made out to Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society with "Good Friday Offering" in the memo line. To make an offering online, please scan the QR code, above.





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#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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Bishop The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

People And also with you.

Bishop Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Bishop Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Bishop continues

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love.

And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we say:

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Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The people stand or kneel.

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus your holy child. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, with all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever.

#### ALL AMEN.

The Bishop continues

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

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.

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now 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.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.

#### THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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Bishop We break this bread to share the Body of Christ.

People We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

Bishop The Gifts of God for the People of God.

#### **ADMINISTRATION OF COMMUNION**

#### HYMNS DURING COMMUNION

As many as there is time to sing and in harmony as the spirit moves.

Here, O my Lord, I see thee face to face Let Us Break Bread Strengthen for service, Lord The Hymnal 1982, 318 The Hymnal 1982, 325 The Hymnal 1982, 312

#### POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Please stand as you are able

Bishop Let us pray.

ALL

Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the holy food of the Body and Blood of your Son, and for uniting us through him in the fellowship of your Holy Spirit. We thank you for raising up among us faithful servants for the ministry of your Word and Sacraments. We pray that we may be effective examples in work and action, in love and patience, and in holiness of life. Grant that we may serve you now and always rejoice in your glory; through Jesus Christ your Son our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

#### THE BLESSING OF OILS

Immediately after the postcommunion prayer, the oils are brought to the bishop, who places them on a small table in the sight of the congregation, or on the altar (the communion vessels having already been removed). Oil for healing may be blessed by a priest at any time, as needed, but consecrating oil of chrism is reserved to the Bishop.

#### THE CONSECRATION OF OIL FOR CHRISM

Bishop Dear Friends in Christ: In the beginning, the Spirit of God hovered over the creation; and, throughout history, God, by the gift of the Holy Spirit, has empowered his people to serve him. As a sign of that gift, the priests and kings of Israel were anointed with oil; and our Lord Jesus was himself anointed with the Holy Spirit at his Baptism as the Christ, God's own Messiah. At Baptism, Christians are likewise anointed by that same Spirit to empower them for God's service. Let us now set apart this oil to be the sign of that anointing.

Let us pray. (Silence)

The Bishop then places a hand on the vessel of oil of chrism and prays

Eternal Father, whose blessed Son was anointed by the Holy Spirit to be the Savior and servant of all, we pray you to consecrate this oil, that those who are sealed with it may share in the royal priesthood of Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. **Amen.** 

The Bishop may place a hand on the vessel with oil for healing and bless it with these words:

Blessed are you, O God, source of life and health. In Jesus you became flesh and came to know the depth of human suffering. You sent the disciples to heal those who were sick. Sanctify this oil that all who are anointed with it may be healed, strengthened, and renewed, by the power of your Holy Spirit. **Amen.** 

#### LAYING ON OF HANDS AND ANOINTING FOR HEALING

Four stations are available for healing prayers. The following hymn may be sung and repeated during the laying on of hands and anointing.





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#### THE BLESSING

The Bishop may use the following Solemn Prayer over the People or another blessing.

Deacon Bow down before the Lord.

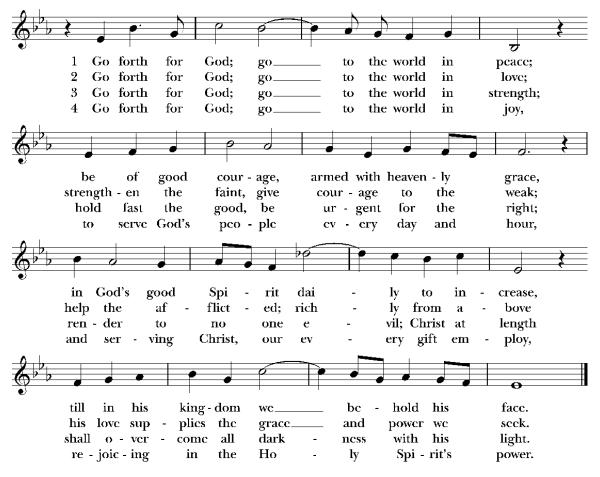
Almighty God, we pray you graciously to behold this your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, and given into the hands of sinners, and to suffer death upon the cross; who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

People Amen.

The closing hymn is on the following page

CLOSING HYMN

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#### THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Let us bless the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.** 

#### **POSTLUDE**

Little Prelude in E Minor Johann Sebastian Bach

Many Thanks to The Clergy, Staff, and People of Grace Church, Madison

Lunch will be served in Grace Hall immediately following this service. Lunch is provided by **Chef Roscoe Coleman**, of Irvington, NJ

#### **HYMN INFORMATION**

"Lord whose love through humble service," The Hymnal 1982, 610

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Music: Blaenhafren, Welsh melody

"O Jesus, I have promised," The Hymnal 1982, 655

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"I am Thine, O Lord," Lift Every Voice and Sing II, 129

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"Here, O my Lord, I see thee face to face," The Hymnal 1982, 318

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"Let us break bread together on our knees," The Hymnal 1982, 325

Words: African-American spiritual.

Music: Let Us Break Bread, Afro-American spiritual; arr. and harm. David Hurd (b. 1950).

"Strengthen for Service, Lord," The Hymnal 1982, 312

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"There is a balm in Gilead," Lift Every Voice and Sing, II, 203

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"Go forth for God; go to the world in peace," The Hymnal 1982, 347

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Hymn tunes are often named for places, but in the case of LITTON it is for a person, the wonderful American choral conductor James Litton (1934-2022) who directed the American Boychoir from 1985 to 2001, and who passed away on Nov. 1. The composer of the tune is the great hymn-writer and teacher Erik Routley (1917-1982). Routley was an English Congregational churchman, theologian and musician and arguably the most significant hymnologist of the 20th century. In 1975 he came to Princeton as a lecturer and Director of Chapel at Princeton Theological Seminary and served as Professor of Church Music and Director of Chapel at Westminster Choir College. The inspiring words are by British clergyman J.R. Peacey (1896-1971) who served on the staff of Bristol Cathedral.

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