

# **Garden Opening with Ribbon Cutting and Eucharist**

**at the 163rd Annual Convention  
of the Episcopal Diocese of Kansas**

**4:30pm, October 21, 2022**

Throughout this service, the parts to be said by the People are marked in *bold italics*.

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### **Liturgical Sources**

The portions of this service from resources other than the Book of Common Prayer 1979 and the Hymnal 1982 are noted.

The Eucharistic Prayer *In thanksgiving for prairies* was written by the Rev. Jennifer Latham, when she was a seminarian from St. Paul’s Episcopal Church in Grinnell, Iowa. Jennifer wrote it during the initial stages of a prairie and native plant restoration at St. Paul’s.

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## Gather in the Lord's Name

*The people gather in the Culinary Garden; among the raised beds, on the gravel plaza, on the mulched garden crescent, or on paved areas facing the pergola.*

*Small prayer and blessing teams are also assembled at each of the garden areas.*

*After a word of welcome, the Bishop and people pray*

I saw water flowing from the threshold of the Temple.

***Wherever the river flows  
everything will spring to life. Alleluia.***

On the banks of the river grow trees bearing every kind of fruit.

***Their leaves will not wither nor their fruit fall.***

Their fruit will serve for food,  
their leaves for the healing of the nations.

***For the river of the water of life  
flows from our Creator God and God's divine message of Love. Amen.***

*from "Celebrating Common Prayer" - Society of St. Francis*

*The Diocesan Missioner offers a word of welcome and the people face the Teaching Prairie Garden.*

*Father John Bullock prays over the Teaching Prairie Garden.*

Lover of all you have made: protect and sustain the plants and creatures of this prairie garden and all those who come here to learn, labor, or play. Increase their well-being, watch over them with love, and give us wisdom to honor our interwoven kinship. In the Spirit of the Risen One we pray. **Amen.**

*Those gathered at the Teaching Prairie Garden bless the garden with Holy Water then make their way to the Culinary Garden.*

*The people face the St. Simon's Chapel.*

*Canon Patrick Funston prays over the chapel.*

God our rock and refuge: Guard and bless all who pray here and who work for the well-being and safety of our community. From this place grant us courage, vigilance, and skill to those who serve and stand in solidarity with all our neighbors in Topeka and in the Diocese of Kansas. May healing and justice flow from this chapel. **Amen.**

*Those gathered at the St. Simon's Chapel bless it with Holy Water then make their way to the Culinary Garden.*

*The People face the Spiritual Life Garden.*

*Canon Lisa Senuta prays over the garden.*

Holy God, you give your people a desire to know and worship you: Bless all who come to this Spiritual Life garden with the refreshment that is your presence, that they may find a welcome in your abiding love, for it is you who makes of us a new creation. **Amen.**

*Those gathered at the Spiritual Life Garden bless the garden with Holy Water then make their way to the Culinary Garden.*

*When all are gathered at the Culinary Garden, Missioner Jenn Allen prays over the garden.*

God, who alone provides seed for the sower and bread for the eater, you have taught us to ask of you our daily bread: Bless the sowing of the seed, grant fertility to the soil, and strengthen the hands of the gardeners who till it, that through their labor your people may be nourished, through the Risen One who is the bread of life. **Amen.**

*The Culinary Garden team bless the garden with Holy Water.*

*Landscape Architect Scott Bingham and Landscape Designer Ann Palmer cut the ribbon on the pergola.*

*Councilwoman Karen Hiller declares the garden open for the people of Topeka.*

*The people process into the cathedral following the processional cross. The people walk around the building to the main front doors (North-side, 8th Avenue) and find seats inside. Those who have difficulty navigating stairs are invited to enter the cathedral through the chapel doors facing Polk Street.*

*Special guests and neighbors gather near flags and banners and follow them in procession:*

*Educators and Students ..... Topeka High School Flag*

*Marshal/Flag Bearer: The Rev. Carl Edwards*

*Community Leaders and Partners ..... Kansas State Flag*

*Marshal/Flag Bearer: The Very Rev. Laurie Lewis*

*Bethany Garden Donors and Creators ..... Cathedral Choir Floral Banner*

*Marshal/Banner Bearer: The Rev. Andrew O'Connor*

*Cathedral Leaders, Council of Trustees, and Creation Trustees ..... Diocese of Kansas Banner*

*Marshal/Banner Bearer: The Very Rev. Casey Rohleder*

Prelude

All stand. As special guests and neighbors enter, the people sing.

Hymn 304

Unison or harmony

1 I come with joy to meet my Lord, for -  
2 I come with Chris - tians far and near to  
3 As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each  
4 And thus with joy we meet our Lord. His  
5 To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound, we'll

1 giv - en, loved, and free, in awe and won - der  
2 find, as all are fed, the new com - mu - ni -  
3 proud di - vi - sion ends. That love that made us  
4 pres - ence, al - ways near, is in such friend - ship  
5 go our dif - ferent ways, and as his peo - ple

1 to re - call his life laid down for me.  
2 ty of love in Christ's com - mun - ion bread.  
3 makes us one, and stran - gers now are friends.  
4 bet - ter known: we see, and praise him here.  
5 in the world, we'll live and speak his praise.

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The people are seated.

## Proclaim and Respond to the Word of God

Lector A reading from the First Letter of John

For this is the message you have heard from the beginning, that we should love one another. We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. How does God’s love abide in anyone who has the world’s goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help?

Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him.

And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

*(1 John 3:11, 16-24)*

Lector The Word of the Lord.

**People** *Thanks be to God.*

*All Stand.*

Archdeacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

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

I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly. ‘I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep.

*(John 10:10b-15)*

Archdeacon The Gospel of the Lord.

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

*The People are seated.*

Recognition of Partners and Homily

The Right Reverend Cathleen Chittenden Bascom  
Tenth Bishop of the Diocese of Kansas

*All Stand.*

## **The Prayers of the People**

Archdeacon As we pray to seek and serve others through the gifts and abundance we enjoy, I invite you to respond to each petition with “We pray to share your peace, dear Lord.”

Archdeacon Help us to remember the example of Francis of Assisi, and help us to remember that we are the hands and feet of Christ.

**People** *We pray to share your peace, dear Lord.*

Archdeacon Help us to bring healing to this hurting world. Help us to act as Jesus to those in need.

**People** *We pray to share your peace, dear Lord.*

Archdeacon Help us to appreciate our many blessings. Help us to share what we have with others.

**People** *We pray to share your peace, dear Lord.*

Archdeacon Help us especially to share your hope, your care of each and every person in this world, and your Kingdom of Heaven, so that all will have abundant life in you.

**People** *We pray to share your peace, dear Lord.*

Archdeacon We also pray for those in need in our own communities. I invite you to share the names of those you know who need our prayers, either silently or out loud.

Silence

Help us to be your hands and feet in our neighborhoods.

**People** *We pray to share your peace, dear Lord.*

Archdeacon We thank you, Lord, for the gift of animals in our world. We thank you for the role of animals in serving as our companions, in fertilizing our soil, in pollinating our plants and in providing food and drink for us. We pray for those who raise animals to support themselves and their families, and we pray to help give others gifts for life. In Christ’s name we pray.

**People** *Amen.*

Bishop Let us pray.

God of all creation: we give you thanks and praise. Open our eyes to see your hand at work in all creation. May your bountiful blessing be upon us all, God our Redeemer, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*Adapted from Episcopal Relief and Development, Abundant Life Garden Project, Saint Francis, “Prayers of the People”*

## **The Peace**

Bishop The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People** *And also with you.*

*The People share the Peace.*

## The Offertory

Following a welcome and announcements, an offertory sentence is said by the Bishop.

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### Hymn 535

1 Ye ser - vants of God, your Mas - ter pro - claim,  
2 God rul - eth on high, al - might - y to save;  
3 Sal - va - tion to God who sits on the throne!  
4 Then let us a - dore, and give him his right:

and pub - lish a - broad his won - der - ful Name;  
and still he is nigh: his pres - ence we have.  
Let all cry a - loud, and hon - or the Son.  
All glo - ry and power, all wis - dom and might,

the Name all - vic - to - rious of Je - sus ex - tol:  
The great con - gre - ga - tion his tri - umph shall sing,  
The prais - es of Je - sus the an - gels pro - claim,  
and hon - or and bless - ing, with an - gels a - bove,





his king - dom is glo - rious; he rules o - ver all.  
as - crib - ing sal - va - tion to Je - sus our King.  
fall down on their fa - ces, and wor - ship the Lamb.  
and thanks nev - er - ceas - ing and in - fi - nite love.

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## The Great Thanksgiving

*In thanksgiving for prairies*

*The People stand.*

*Bishop* The Lord be 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 him thanks and praise.***

*Bishop*

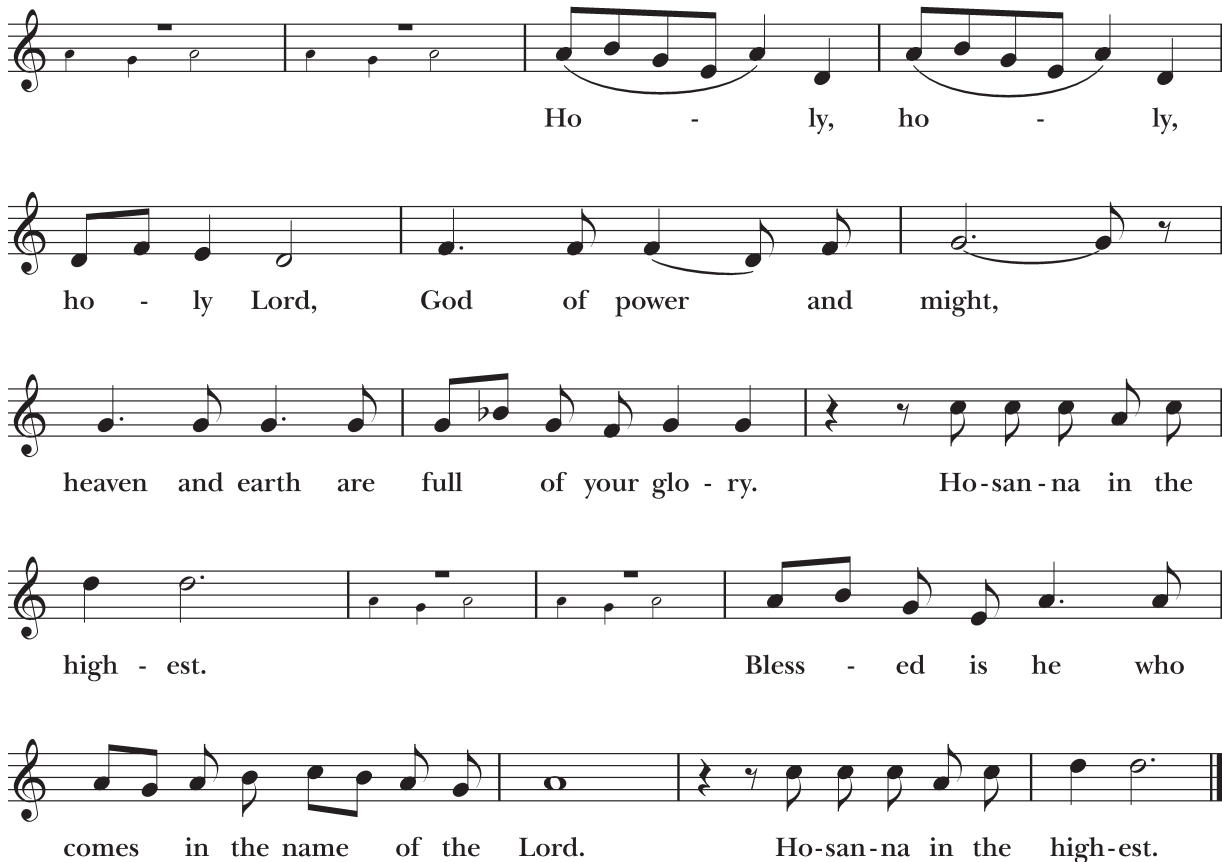
We should always remember to thank you, O God, our Root and Source of life.

For you brought light and life into the world, you made the wind your messenger, and you commanded the sun. You have created the little bluestem and the blazing star, You made the monarch and the bald eagle. You made us to live upon the earth as neighbors to all living things. You yourself lived upon the earth as your Son Jesus Christ, who by becoming one of us, showed us the way of love. He is, for us, like the roots of your prairie grasses, deeply dug into the earth to be our foundation and anchor.

For all this we give thanks and praise, joining together with the voices of all your saints who have lived the way of love, singing this hymn that proclaims your power.

*Bishop and People*

**S-128**



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly,  
ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san - na in the  
high - est. Bless - ed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

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*The Bishop continues*

Creator and Source of life, we are grateful that in love you made us part of your creation, but like the branch that separates from the vine, we have turned away from you. We have forgotten to live in the way of love, as neighbors to your people and the natural world. In faithful love you sent your son, Jesus, to teach us the way back to you. Just as fire in the prairie restores new life, Jesus brought fire to the earth and offered his own body on the cross to be the one and only sacrifice for all of creation, to show us the way to new life in you.

On the night before he died, Jesus taught his disciples, saying, “This is my commandment, ‘that you love one another as I have loved you.’” He took bread, broke it, gave thanks, and shared it with them saying, “Take and eat, this is my Body, given for you and for all. Do this to remember me.”

Then he took the cup of wine, and said “I am the vine and you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit.” He gave thanks and shared it with his friends, saying, “Take and drink, this is my Blood, shed for you and for all. Do this to remember me.”

Together, let us tell of the mystery of faith:

*Bishop and People*

***Christ has died.***

***Christ is risen.***

***Christ will come again.***

Remembering Jesus' life and death, and celebrating our place in salvation, we offer these gifts of bread and wine, as a sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. They were made with human hands from the gifts of your creation. We also offer ourselves, a living sacrifice, to be your people. Let us bear fruit as the branches of the vine.

Send your Spirit on these gifts, to be a Holy Sacrament. Make them for us the Body and Blood of your Son. Send your Spirit, also, on us, your people, so that we may be a Sacrament to the world. Let us be the hands of Christ in the world, to work towards healing of the earth and of your people, and give us hope in the promise that you will bring your creation to fulfillment through Jesus Christ.

We ask all of these things through your Son, through the Holy Spirit which he sent for us as an advocate and ever-present guide, and through you, Creator God, all honor and glory belong to you.

*People*     *AMEN.*

Bishop     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.*

## The Breaking of the Bread

*The Bishop breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.*

### S-155

*This setting is not used in Lent.*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is

sac - ri - ficed for us; There-fore let us keep the feast.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

*The Bishop says*

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.

*Communion is available at the altar rail and at two stations in the crossing. To receive a blessing, come forward and cross your arms over your chest. Signal a server if you need to remain in your pew but desire to partake.*

### Communion Music

“Ubi Caritas”

Maurice Duruflé (1902-1986)

*(Sung in Latin) Where charity and love are, God is there. Love of Christ has gathered us into one. Let us rejoice in Him and be glad. Let us fear, and let us love the living God. And from a sincere heart let us love one another.*

*Agnus Dei from Missa in simplicitate*

Jean Langlais (1907-1991)

Zachary Cope, countertenor

*(Sung in Latin) Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, grant us peace.*

After Communion, the Bishop says

Let us pray.

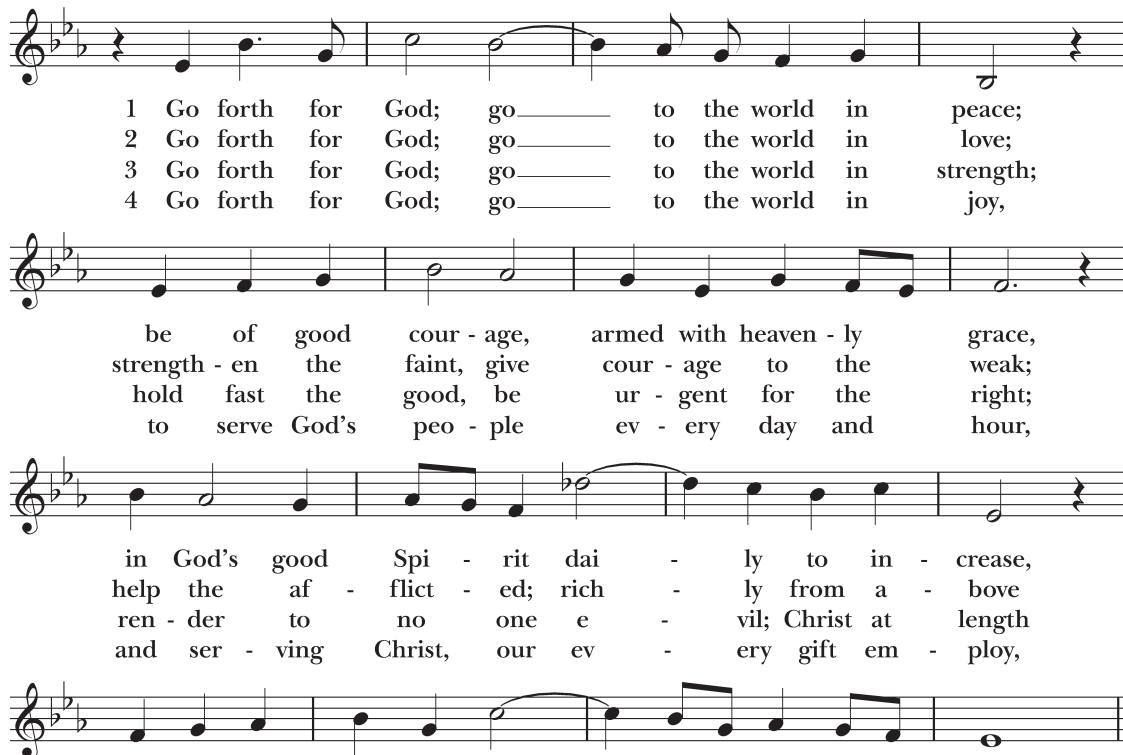
**People** *Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

The Bishop then blesses the People.

**People** *Amen.*

All Stand.

**Hymn 347**



1 Go forth for God; go \_\_\_\_\_ to the world in peace;  
2 Go forth for God; go \_\_\_\_\_ to the world in love;  
3 Go forth for God; go \_\_\_\_\_ to the world in strength;  
4 Go forth for God; go \_\_\_\_\_ to the world in joy,

be of good cour - age, armed with heaven - ly grace,  
strength - en the faint, give cour - age to the weak;  
hold fast the good, be ur - gent for the right;  
to serve God's peo - ple ev - ery day and hour,

in God's good Spi - rit dai - ly to in - crease,  
help the af - flict - ed; rich - ly from a - bove  
ren - der to no one e - vil; Christ at length  
and ser - ving Christ, our ev - ery gift em - ploy,

till in his king - dom we \_\_\_\_\_ be - hold his face.  
his love sup - plies the grace \_\_\_\_\_ and power we seek.  
shall o - ver - come all dark - ness with his light.  
re - joic - ing in the Ho - ly Spi - rit's power.

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Archdeacon Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

**People** *Thanks be to God.*

Postlude

## Ministers of the Liturgy

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