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THE **50TH ANNUAL CONVENTION** OF
THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF WESTERN KANSAS



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The Liturgy of the Word

PRELUDE

"Suite Gothique by Boellmann"

Played by Jan Howard

PROCESSIONAL HYMN *stand*

"The Church's One Foundation" • Hymnal 525 (vv. 1, 2, 3)

Music: Aurelia, Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1810-1876)

Words: Samuel John Stone (1839-1900)

- 1 The church's one foundation
is Jesus Christ, her Lord;
she is his new creation
by water and the Word:
from heav'n he came and sought her
to be his holy bride;
with his own blood he bought her,
and for her life he died.
- 2 Elect from every nation,
yet one o'er all the earth,
her charter of salvation
one Lord, one faith, one birth;
one holy name she blesses,
partakes one holy food,
and to one hope she presses,
with ev'ry grace endued.
- 3 Though with a scornful wonder
men see her sore oppressed,
by schisms rent asunder,
by heresies distressed,
yet saints their watch are keeping,
their cry goes up, "How long?"
And soon the night of weeping
shall be the morn of song.

OPENING ACCLAMATION *stand*

The Book of Common Prayer 355

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

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

Celebrante: Bendito sea Dios: Padre, Hijo y Espíritu Santo.

Pueblo: **Y bendito sea su reino, ahora y por siempre. Amén.**

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

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. **Amen.**

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS *stand and sing together*

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Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

A moment of silence is observed. Then the Celebrant collects the people's prayers into the following prayer.

Keep us, O Lord, constant in faith and zealous in witness, that, like your servants Hugh Latimer and Nicholas Ridley, we may live in your fear, die in your favor, and rest in your peace; for the sake of Jesus Christ, your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON *sit*

Zephaniah 3:1–5

A Reading from the Prophet Zephaniah

Ah, soiled, defiled,
oppressing city!
It has listened to no voice;
it has accepted no correction.
It has not trusted in the Lord;
it has not drawn near to its God.
The officials within it
are roaring lions;
its judges are evening wolves
that leave nothing until the morning.
Its prophets are reckless,
faithless persons;
its priests have profaned what is sacred,
they have done violence to the law.
The Lord within it is righteous;
he does no wrong.
Every morning he renders his judgment,
each dawn without fail;
but the unjust knows no shame.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

- 1 I cry to the Lord with my voice; *
to the Lord I make loud supplication.
- 2 I pour out my complaint before him *
and tell him all my trouble.
- 3 When my spirit languishes within me, you know my path; *
in the way wherein I walk they have hidden a trap for me.
- 4 I look to my right hand and find no one who knows me; *
I have no place to flee to, and no one cares for me.
- 5 I cry out to you, O Lord; *
I say, "You are my refuge,
my portion in the land of the living."
- 6 Listen to my cry for help, for I have been brought very low; *
save me from those who pursue me,
for they are too strong for me.
- 7 Bring me out of prison, that I may give thanks to your Name; *
when you have dealt bountifully with me,
the righteous will gather around me.

THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

1 Corinthians 3:9–14

A Reading from Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians

We are God's servants, working together; you are God's field, God's building.

According to the grace of God given to me, like a skilled master builder I laid a foundation, and someone else is building on it. Each builder must choose with care how to build on it. For no one can lay any foundation other than the one that has been laid; that foundation is Jesus Christ. Now if anyone builds on the foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw— the work of each builder will become visible, for the Day will disclose it, because it will be revealed with fire, and the fire will test what sort of work each has done. If what has been built on the foundation survives, the builder will receive a reward.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 15:20–16:1

The Holy Gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ according to John
Glory to you, Lord Christ

Jesus said to his disciples, "Remember the word that I said to you, 'Servants are not greater than their master.' If they persecuted me, they will persecute you; if they kept my word, they will keep yours also. But they will do all these things to you on account of my name, because they do not know him who sent me. If I had not come and spoken to them, they would not have sin; but now they have no excuse for their sin. Whoever hates me hates my Father also. If I had not done among them the works that no one else did, they would not have sin. But now they have seen and hated both me and my Father. It was to fulfill the word that is written in their law, 'They hated me without a cause.'

"When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning.

"I have said these things to you to keep you from stumbling."

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

SANTO EVANGELIO

San Juan 15:20–16:1

Santo Evangelio de Nuestro Señor Jesucristo según San Juan.

¡Gloria a ti, Cristo Señor!

Jesús dijo: “Recuerda lo que te dije, ‘Ningún servidor es más que su señor.’ Si a mí me han perseguido, también a ustedes los perseguirán; y si han hecho caso de mi palabra, también harán caso de la de ustedes. Todo esto van a hacerles por mi causa, porque no conocen al que me envió.

»Ellos no tendrían ninguna culpa, si yo no hubiera venido a hablarles. Pero ahora no tienen disculpa por su pecado; pues los que me odian a mí, odian también a mi Padre. No tendrían ninguna culpa, si yo no hubiera hecho entre ellos cosas que ningún otro ha hecho; pero ya han visto estas cosas y, a pesar de ello, me odian a mí y odian también a mi Padre. Pero esto sucede porque tienen que cumplirse las palabras que están escritas en la ley de ellos: “Me odiaron sin motivo.”

»Pero cuando venga el Defensor que yo voy a enviar de parte del Padre, el Espíritu de la verdad que procede del Padre, él será mi testigo. Y ustedes también serán mis testigos, porque han estado conmigo desde el principio.

»Les digo estas cosas para que no pierdan su fe en mí.

El Evangelio del Señor.
Te alabamos, Cristo Señor.

THE SERMON

The Rt. Rev. Mark A. Cowell

THE NICENE CREED

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**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 *kneel as you are able*

Form IV • BCP 388

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth,
live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace;
that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation,
that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours,
and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit;
give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled.
We commend _____. And we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

The Celebrant offers a concluding collect.

Let us pray.

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people;
in the multitude of your mercies,
look with compassion upon us
and all who turn to you for help;
for you are gracious, O lover of souls,
and to you we give glory,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
now and for ever. **Amen.**

CONFESSION OF SIN *kneel as you are able*

BCP 360

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept

Minister and People

**Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

The Bishop when present, or the Priest, stands and says

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

THE PEACE *stand*

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord
be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

LA PAZ *estar*

Celebrante: La paz del Señor
sea siempre con ustedes.

Pueblo: **Y con tu espíritu.**

The Liturgy of the Table



VIRTUAL COLLECTION PLATE

At every Diocesan Convention the collection from the opening Eucharist is designated for one of our Diocesan ministries. Although we are not together in person, you still have the opportunity to contribute. Simply go to diowks.org/giving-opportunities and click "Contribute." Or write a check to the Diocese of Western Kansas with "Convention Eucharist" in the memo, and send it to 1 North Main; Suite 418; Hutchinson, KS 67501.

This year's collection will go to St. Cornelius in Dodge City, who has recently started a Laundry Love. Laundry Love washes the clothes and bedding of low/no income families and persons across the US. They brighten the lives of thousands of people through love, dignity, and detergent.



OFFERTORY ANTHEM

"God is Love, Let Heaven Adore Him" • Hymnal 379 • Sung by Melissa Desemo
Words: Timothy Rees (1874-1939), alt. *Music:* Abbot's Leigh, Cyril Vincent Taylor (b. 1907)

THE PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS *stand*

Hymnal 380 (v. 3)

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Celebrant: All things come of Thee, O Lord. *People:* **And of Thine own have we given Thee.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER A

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Sursum Corda (*"Lift up your hearts..."*) stand

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, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Here a Proper Preface is sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.

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

**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. Then the Celebrant continues

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."

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:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Celebrante y Pueblo

Cristo ha muerto.

Cristo ha resucitado.

Cristo volverá.

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. **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER *kneel*

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

Celebrant and People

Pueblo y Celebrante

**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.**

**Padre nuestro que estás en el cielo,
santificado sea tu Nombre,
venga tu reino,
hágase tu voluntad,
en la tierra como en el cielo.
Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día.
Perdona nuestras ofensas,
como también nosotros perdonamos
a los que nos ofenden.
No nos dejes caer en tentación
y líbranos del mal.
Porque tuyo es el reino,
tuyo es el poder, y tuya es la gloria,
ahora y por siempre. Amén.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD *kneel*

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The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept, in reverent thanksgiving for what Jesus has done for us.

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People: **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

THE INVITATION

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.

Los Dones de Dios para el Pueblo de Dios.

Tómenlos en memoria de que Cristo murió por ustedes,
y aliméntense de él en sus corazones, por fe y con agradecimiento.

THE PRAYER OF ST. ALPHONSUS DE LIGUORI (1696–1787)

A spiritual communion is a personal devotional that anyone can pray at any time to express their desire to receive Holy Communion at that moment, but in which circumstances impede them from actually receiving Communion.

**My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present
in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar.
I love you above all things,
and long for you in my soul.
Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
As though you have already come,
I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you;
never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.**

COMMUNION HYMN

"I Come With Joy to Meet My Lord" • Hymnal 304

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Tune: *Land of Rest*, American folk melody; adapt. and harm. Annabel Morris Buchanan (1889-1983)

I come with joy to meet my Lord,
forgiven, loved, and free;
in awe and wonder to recall
his life laid down for me.

I come with Christians far and near
to find, as all are fed,
the new community of love
in Christ's communion bread.

As Christ breaks bread and bids us share,
each proud division ends;
the love that made us, makes us one,
and strangers now are friends.

And thus with joy we meet our Lord;
his presence, always near,
is in such friendship better known:
we see and praise him here.

Together met, together bound,
we'll go our different ways;
and as his people in the world,
we'll live and speak his praise.

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

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Almighty and everliving God,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.

And now, Father, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever.
Amen.

THE BLESSING

PROCESSIONAL HYMN *stand*

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she is his new creation
by water and the Word:
from heav'n he came and sought her
to be his holy bride;
with his own blood he bought her,
and for her life he died.
- 4 'Mid toil and tribulation,
and tumult of her war,
she waits the consummation
of peace forevermore;

till with the vision glorious
her longing eyes are blest,
and the great church victorious
shall be the church at rest.

- 5 Yet she on earth hath union
with the God the Three in One,
and mystic sweet communion
with those whose rest is won:
O happy ones and holy!
Lord, give us grace that we,
like them, the meek and lowly,
on high may dwell with thee.

THE DISMISSAL AND SENDING FORTH

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

People: Thanks be to God.



Today's Ministers

Celebrant and Preacher The Rt. Rev. Mark A. Cowell
Sixth Bishop of The Episcopal Diocese of Western Kansas

Assisting Bishop The Rt. Rev. Michael P. Milliken
Fifth Bishop of The Episcopal Diocese of Western Kansas

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Rector of Grace Episcopal Church

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