

# THE NEVIL MEMORIAL CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE

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The Celebration of a New Ministry  
honoring the fourth Rector of  
The Nevil Memorial Church of St. George,  
THE REV. RYAN R. WHITLEY

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May 2, 2010, 5pm

# THE GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

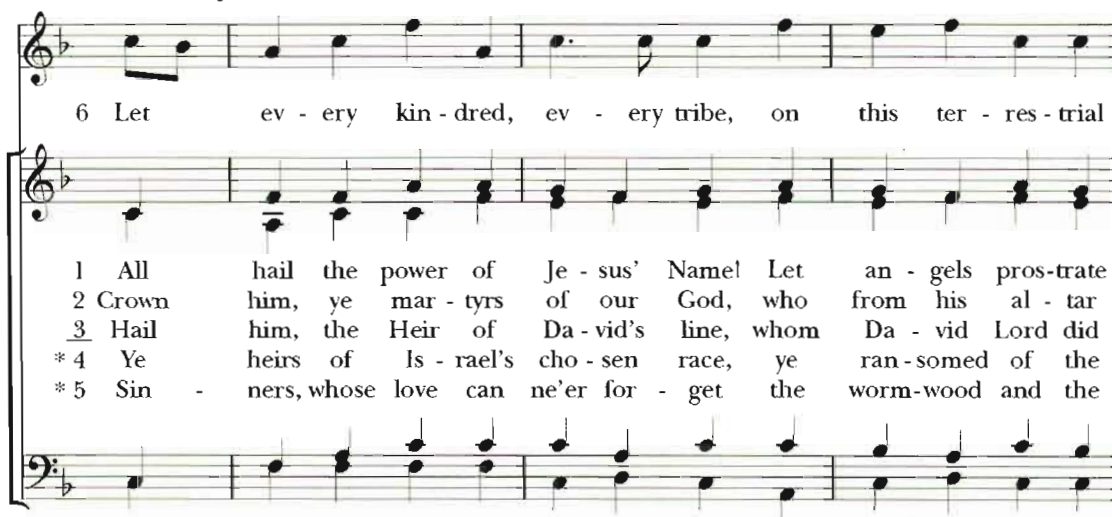
*Coming together as the people and friends of St. George's in this Eastertide, we ready ourselves to continue our celebration of Christ's victory over sin and death for our salvation, and to welcome our new Rector in the name of Jesus Christ.*

Organ Prelude

"Pieces de fantasie-Tres vitement; Grave

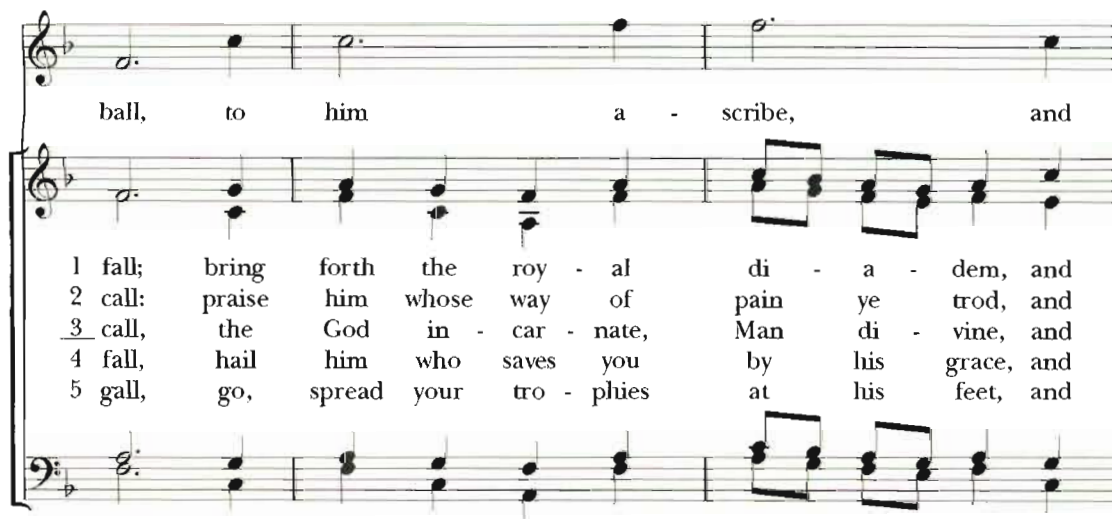
J.S. Bach

## Processional Hymn 450



6 Let ev - ery kin - dred, ev - ery tribe, on this ter - res - trial

1 All hail the power of Je - sus' Name! Let an - gels pros - trate  
2 Crown him, ye mar - tyrs of our God, who from his al - tar  
3 Hail him, the Heir of Da - vid's line, whom Da - vid Lord did  
\* 4 Ye heirs of Is - rael's cho - sen race, ye ran - somed of the  
\* 5 Sin - ners, whose love can ne'er for - get the worm - wood and the



ball, to him a - scribe, and

1 fall; bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem, and  
2 call: praise him whose way of pain ye trod, and  
3 call, the God in - car - nate, Man di - vine, and  
4 fall, hail him who saves you by his grace, and  
5 gall, go, spread your tro - plies at his feet, and

crown him Lord of all! to him a -

1 crown him Lord of all! bring forth the roy - al  
 2 crown him Lord of all! praise him whose way of  
 3 crown him Lord of all! the God in - car - nate,  
 4 crown him Lord of all! hail him who saves you  
 5 crown him Lord of all! go, spread your tro - phies

scribe, and crown him Lord of all!

1 di - a - dem, and crown him Lord of all!  
 2 pain ye trod, and crown him Lord of all!  
 3 Man di - vine, and crown him Lord of all!  
 4 by his grace, and crown him Lord of all!  
 5 at his feet, and crown him Lord of all!

6 Let every kindred, every tribe,  
 on this terrestrial ball,  
 to him all majesty ascribe,  
 and crown him Lord of all!

## The Institution

*The Wardens, standing before the bishop with the new minister, say these or similar words*

Bishop Michel, we have come together today to welcome *Ryan R. Whitley*, who has been chosen to serve as Rector of The Nevil Memorial Church of St. George. We believe that he is well qualified, and that he has been prayerfully and lawfully selected.

*The Bishop may read the Letter of Institution.*

*The Bishop then says*

Ryan, do you, in the presence of this congregation, commit yourself to this new trust and responsibility?

*New minister* I do.

*The Bishop then addresses the congregation*

Will you who witness this new beginning support and uphold Ryan in this ministry?

*People* **We will.**

*The Bishop, standing, says*

Let us then offer our prayers to God for all his people, for this congregation, and for Ryan their Rector.

### **The Litany for Ordinations**

God the Father,  
***Have mercy on us.***

God the Son,  
***Have mercy on us.***

God the Holy Spirit,  
***Have mercy on us.***

We pray to you, Lord Christ.  
***Lord, hear our prayer.***

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 to you, O Lord.  
***Lord, hear our prayer.***

For all members of your Church in their vocation and ministry, that they may serve you in a true and godly life, we pray to you, O Lord.  
***Lord, hear our prayer.***

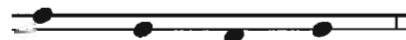
For Katherine, our Presiding Bishop, and for all bishops, priests, and deacons, that they may be filled with your love, may hunger for truth, and may thirst after righteousness, we pray to you, O Lord.  
***Lord, hear our prayer.***

*People*



Have mer - cy on us.

*People*



Lord, hear our prayer.

For Ryan, chosen priest in your Church, we pray to you, O Lord.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

That he may faithfully fulfill the duties of this ministry, build up your Church, and glorify your Name, we pray to you, O Lord.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

That by the indwelling of the Holy Spirit he may be sustained and encouraged to persevere to the end, we pray to you, O Lord.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

For his wife, Elise, that she may be adorned with all Christian virtues, we pray to you, O Lord.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

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 to you, O Lord.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

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

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

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 to you, O Lord.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

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

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

For those in positions of public trust, especially Barack, our President and Edward, our Governor, that they may serve justice and promote the dignity and freedom of every person, we pray to you, O Lord.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

For a blessing upon all human labor, and for the right use of the riches of creation, that the world may be freed from poverty, famine, and disaster, we pray to you, O Lord.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O Lord.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

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

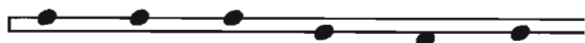
*Lord, hear our prayer.*

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 to you, O Lord.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

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

*People*



To you, O Lord our God.

*Cantor*

*People*

*Cantor and People*



Lord, have mer - cy,

Christ, have mer - cy.

Lord, have mer - cy.

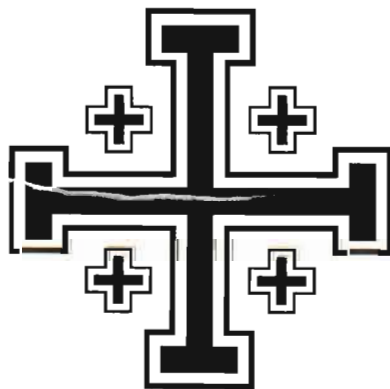
*At the end of the litany, the Bishop, standing, says the following Collect, first saying*

*Bishop* The Lord be with you.

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

*Bishop* Let us pray.

Everliving God, strengthen and sustain Ryan, that with patience and understanding he may love and care for your people; and grant that together they may follow Jesus Christ, offering to you their gifts and talents; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. **Amen.**



## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

*The Lord speaks to us in scripture and preaching about how He has saved all humankind from the power of death by raising His Son to life again. We respond by presenting our new Rector with symbolic gifts of his new ministry with us, and by greeting one another in Jesus' name.*

### **A Reading from the Book of Numbers**

Numbers 11:16-17,24-25a

So the Lord said to Moses, 'Gather for me seventy of the elders of Israel, whom you know to be the elders of the people and officers over them; bring them to the tent of meeting, and have them take their place there with you. I will come down and talk with you there; and I will take some of the spirit that is on you and put it on them; and they shall bear the burden of the people along with you so that you will not bear it all by yourself. So Moses went out and told the people the words of the Lord; and he gathered seventy elders of the people, and placed them all around the tent. Then the Lord came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders; and when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied.

### **Psalm 146**

*Anglican Chant*

*sung by Choir*

### **A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans**

Romans 12:1-18

I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect.

For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

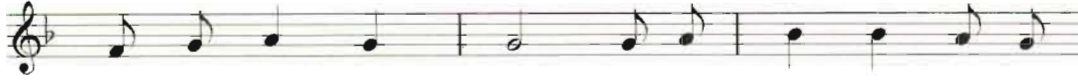
Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.

Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all.

## The Sequence Hymn 513



1 Like the mur - mur of the dove's song, like the  
2 To the mem - bers of Christ's Bo - dy, to the  
3 With the heal - ing of di - vi - sion, with the



chal - lenge of her flight, like the vig - or of the  
branch - es of the Vine, to the Church in faith as -  
cease - less voice of prayer, with the power to love and



wind's rush, like the new flame's ea - ger  
sem - bled, to her midst as gift and  
wit - ness, with the peace be - yond com -



might: come, Ho - ly Spi - rit, come.  
sign: come, Ho - ly Spi - rit, come.  
pare: come, Ho - ly Spi - rit, come.

*Phrase 1 of each stanza may be sung by one group, with a contrasted group singing phrase 2, and all joining for the final phrase.*

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

John 15: 9-16

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

As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

'This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name.

## The Sermon

The Rt. Rev. Rodney R. Michel

*After the Sermon, and any responses to it, the congregation sings a hymn.*

# Hymn 518

*Descant*

4 Here vouch - safe to all thy serv - ants what they ask of

1 Christ is made the sure foun - da - tion, Christ the head and  
 2 All that ded - i - cat - ed ci - ty, dear - ly loved of  
 3 To this tem - ple, where we call thee, come, O Lord of  
 4 Here vouch - safe to all thy serv - ants what they ask of

thee to gain; what they gain from thee, for ev - er

cor - ner - stone, cho - sen of the Lord, and pre - cious,  
 God on high, in ex - ult - ant ju - bi - la - tion  
 Hosts, to - day; with thy wont - ed lov - ing - kind - ness  
 thee to gain; what they gain from thee, for ev - er

with the bless - ed to re - tain, and here - af - ter

bind - ing all the Church in one; ho - ly Zi - on's  
 pours per - pet - ual mel - o - dy; God the One in  
 hear thy serv - ants as they pray, and thy full - est  
 with the bless - ed to re - tain, and here - af - ter

in thy glo - ry ev - er - more with thee to reign.

help for ev - er, and her con - fi - dence a - lone.  
 Three a - dor - ing in glad hymns e - ter - nal - ly.  
 ben - e - dic - tion shed with - in its walls al - way.  
 in thy glo - ry ev - er - more with thee to reign.

## THE INDUCTION

*Representatives of the congregation and of the clergy of the diocese stand before the bishop with the new minister.*

*Representatives of the congregation present a Bible, saying*

Fr. Ryan, accept this Bible, and be among us as one who proclaims the Word.

People **Amen.**

*The Bishop presents a vessel of water, saying*

Fr. Ryan, take this water, and help me baptize in obedience to our Lord.

People **Amen.**

*Others present a stole, saying*

Fr. Ryan, receive this stole, and be among us as a pastor and priest.

People **Amen.**

*Others present a Book of Common Prayer, saying*

Fr. Ryan, receive this book, and be among us as a man of prayer.

People **Amen.**

*Others present olive oil or some other symbol, saying*

Fr. Ryan, use this oil, and be among us as a healer and reconciler.

People **Amen.**

*The Wardens and the Parish Administrator present keys to the building, saying*

Fr. Ryan, receive these keys, and let the doors of this place be open to all people.

People **Amen.**

*Representative clergy of the diocese present the Constitution and Canons of this Church, saying*

Fr. Ryan, obey these Canons, and be among us to share in the councils of this diocese.

People **Amen.**

Fr. Ryan, take this bread and wine, and be among us to break the Bread and bless the Cup.

People **Amen.**

The Youth Group, the Taizé Group, the Sunday School, the Children's Ark, and the Choir will each also present a symbolic gift.

*The Bishop then says*

Fr. Ryan, let all these be signs of the ministry which is mine and yours in this place.

*People* **Amen.**

*The new Rector will then kneel in the middle of the church and pray,*

O Lord my God, I am not worthy to have you come under my roof; yet you have called your servant to stand in your house, and to serve at your altar. To you and to your service I devote myself, body, soul, and spirit. Fill my memory with the record of your mighty works; enlighten my understanding with the light of your Holy Spirit; and may all the desires of my heart and will center in what you would have me do. Make me an instrument of your salvation for the people entrusted to my care, and grant that I may faithfully administer your holy Sacraments, and by my life and teaching set forth your true and living Word. Be always with me in carrying out the duties of my ministry. In prayer, quicken my devotion; in praises, heighten my love and gratitude; in preaching, give me readiness of thought and expression; and grant that, by the clearness and brightness of your holy Word, all the world may be drawn into your blessed kingdom. All this I ask for the sake of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ.

**Amen.**

*The Bishop then presents the new minister to the congregation, saying*

**Greet your new Rector.**

*Fr. Ryan will then present his wife, Elise, as well as the members of their families who are here present.*

*The Congregation expresses its approval. Applause is appropriate.*

*The Bishop greets the new minister.*

*The new Minister then says to the people*

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

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

*The new Minister then greets other members of the clergy, family members, and the congregation. The People greet one another.*





*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through the great shepherd of your flock, Jesus Christ our Lord; who after his resurrection sent forth his apostles to preach the Gospel and to teach all nations; and promised to be with them always, even to the end of the ages. 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:



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.

*The people stand or kneel.*

*Then the Celebrant continues*

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

*At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or to lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.*

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

*Celebrant and People*

**We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;**

*The Celebrant continues*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Blessed George, our patron, and the Ever-blessed Virgin Mary, and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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 forever.



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



Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed  
be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our  
dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pas - ses,  
as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead  
us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us  
from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power,  
and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

## The Breaking of the Bread

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

*This setting is not used in Lent.*



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

*This setting is not used in Lent.*

*Antiphon*

*Cantor; then All*



The dis - ci - ples knew the Lord Je - sus in the break - ing of the bread.



1. The bread which we break, al - le - lu - ia,



is the com - mun - ion of the bo - dy of Christ. [Ant.]



2. One bo - dy are we, al - le - lu - ia,



for though man - y we share one bread. [Ant.]

*Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following 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.

**All baptized persons, regardless of denomination, are welcome to receive Holy Communion. If you desire a blessing instead, please come forward and cross your arms over your chest.**

**The Communion Anthem**

*"If Ye Love Me"*

*Thomas Tallis*



The Communion Hymn 556

1 Re - joice, ye pure in heart! Re - joice, give thanks, and sing! Your  
 2 With all the an - gel choirs, with all the saints of earth, pour  
 3 Your clear ho - san - nas raise, and al - le - lu - ias loud; while  
 4 Yes, on through life's long path, still chant - ing as ye go, from  
 5 Still lift your stand - ard high, still march in firm ar - ray, as

1 glo - rious ban - ner wave on high, the cross of Christ your King.  
 2 out the strains of joy and bliss, true rap - ture, no - blest mirth.  
 3 an - swering ech - oes up - ward float, like wreaths of in - cense cloud.  
 4 youth to age, by night and day, in glad - ness and in woe.  
 5 war - riors through the dark - ness toil, till dawns the gold - en day.

*Refrain*

Re - joice, re - joice, re - joice, give thanks, and sing.  
 re - joice, re - joice,

\*6 At last the march shall end;  
 the wearied ones shall rest;  
 the pilgrims find their Father's house,  
 Jerusalem the blest.

*Refrain*

\*7 Then on, ye pure in heart!  
 Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!  
 Your glorious banner wave on high  
 the cross of Christ your King.

*Refrain*

## The Post-Communion Prayer

*At the Induction of a priest, in place of the usual post-communion prayer, the Bishop leads the people in the following prayer,*

**Almighty Father, 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 Ryan, may be to us an effective example in word and action, in love and patience, and in holiness of life. Grant that we, with him, may serve you now, and always rejoice in your glory; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

*The Bishop blesses the People.*

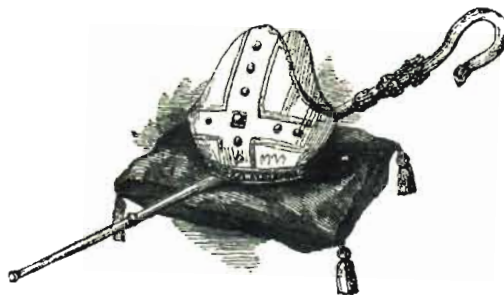
*Bishop*  
Our help is in the Name of the Lord;

*People*  
The maker of heaven and earth.

*Bishop*  
Blessed be the Name of the Lord;

*People*  
From this time forth for ever-more.

*The Bishop sings the blessing.*



# The Closing Hymn 536



1 O - pen your ears, O faith - ful peo - ple,  
 2 They who have ears to hear the mes - sage,  
 3 Is - ra - el comes to greet the Sa - vior,  
 4 O - pen your ears, O faith - ful peo - ple,



o - pen your ears and hear God's word. O - pen your hearts, O  
 they who have ears, then let them hear. They who would learn the  
 Ju - dah is glad to see his day. From east and west the  
 o - pen your ears and hear God's word. O - pen your hearts, O



roy - al priest - hood, God has come to you.  
 way of wis - dom, let them hear God's word.  
 peo - ples trav - el, he will show the way.  
 roy - al priest - hood, God has come to you.



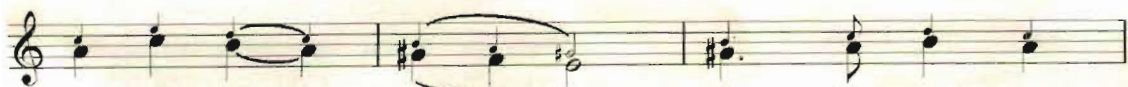
God has spo - ken to his peo - ple, Hal - le - lu - jah!



And his words are words of wis - dom, Hal - le - lu -



jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! God has spo - ken to his peo - ple,  
 To - rah o - ra, To - rah o - ra,



Hal - le - lu - jah! And his words are  
 To - rah o - ra,



words of wis - dom, Hal - le - lu - jah!  
 To - rah o - ra, Hal - le - lu - jah!

"Torah ora" is Hebrew for, "The Law is our Light."

*The newly inducted Rector dismisses the people.*

**Organ Postlude**

"Now Thank We All Our God"

*J.S. Bach*



THE NEVIL MEMORIAL CHURCH OF SAINT GEORGE

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The Rev. Ryan R. Whitley, *Rector*

**Thanks to those who are  
helping today ...**

**Celebrant:** The Rt. Rev. Rodney R. Michel

**Altar Guild:** Ray Beckey

**Acolytes:** Ray Beckey, Robbie Farnsworth,  
Elizabeth Joslin, John Lightcap, Fiona  
LaBrake, Joseph Ricci, Tommy Ricci, Ian  
Walsh, Tyler Walsh and Brian Wickersham

**Ambassadors:** Rad Delaney, David  
Farnsworth and Allan Wickersham

**Chalice Bearers:** Helen Dalstrom, Mary  
Fleming, Mike Fox and Bryn Thompson

**Lectors:** Bob Ames and Cynthia Pound

Jason Bizich, *Vicar Choral*

Lou Carol Fix, *Organist*

Julie Ricci, *Parish Administrator*

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