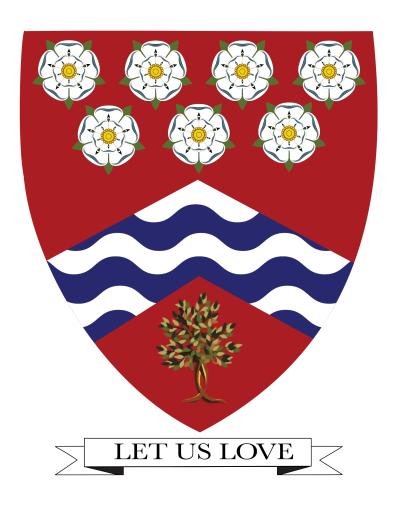
## **Church of the Little Flower**

Berkeley Heights, NJ



# Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross September 13-14, 2025

#### **Entrance Hymn**

#### GLORY IN THE CROSS (HOLY THURSDAY VERSION)



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#### **Gloria**

#### MASS OF SAINT ANN

Gloria (Through-Composed)

Ed Bolduc





# First Reading Numbers 21:4b-9

With their patience worn out by the journey, the people complained against God and Moses, "Why have you brought us up from Egypt to die in this desert, where there is no food or water? We are disgusted with this wretched food!"

In punishment the LORD sent among the people saraph serpents, which bit the people so that many of them died. Then the people came to Moses and said, "We have sinned in complaining against the LORD and you. Pray the LORD to take the serpents from us." So Moses prayed for the people, and the LORD said to Moses, "Make a saraph and mount it on a pole, and if any who have been bitten look at it, they will live." Moses accordingly made a bronze serpent and mounted it on a pole, and whenever anyone who had been bitten by a serpent looked at the bronze serpent, he lived.

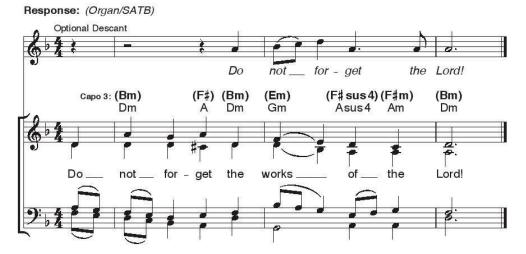
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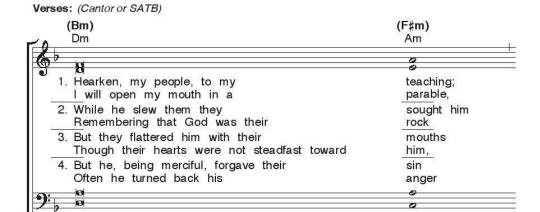
#### **Responsorial Psalm**

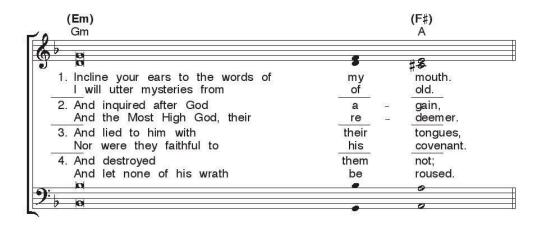
#### THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

#### September 14

**Responsorial Psalm:** Psalm 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38 (638)







# **Second Reading Philippians 2:6-11**

Brothers and sisters:
Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God something to be grasped.
Rather, he emptied himself,
taking the form of a slave,
coming in human likeness;
and found human in appearance,
he humbled himself,
becoming obedient to death,
even death on a cross.
Because of this, God greatly exalted him
and bestowed on him the name
that is above every name,

of those in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend,

Jesus Christ is Lord.

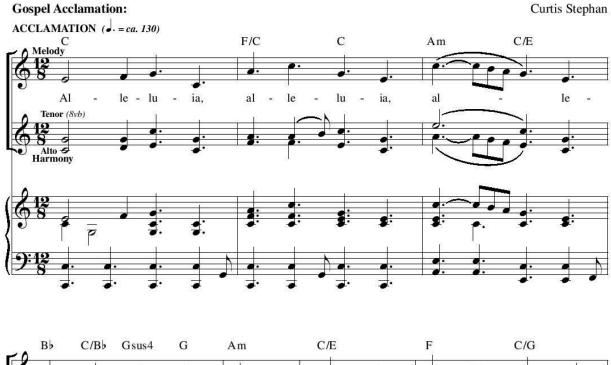
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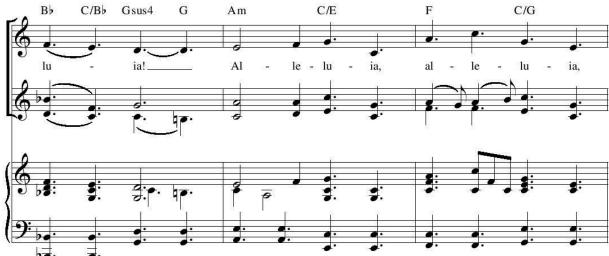
to the glory of God the Father.

## **Gospel Acclamation**

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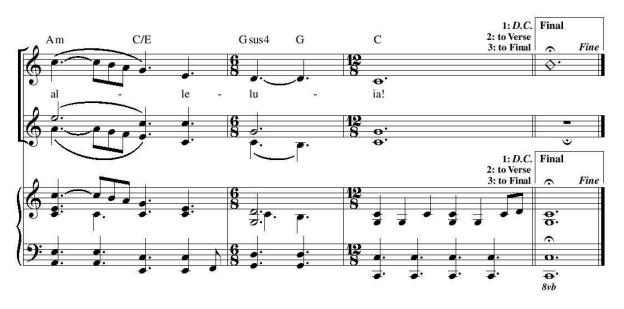
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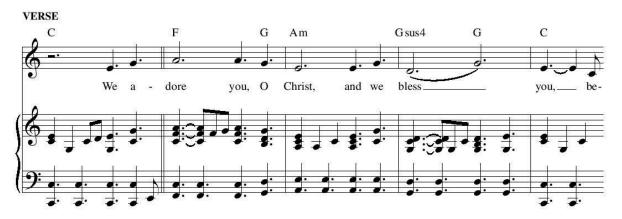


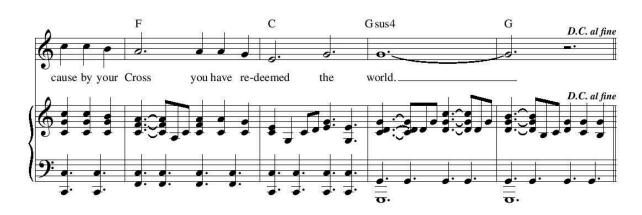


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# **Gospel John 3:13-17**

Jesus said to Nicodemus:
"No one has gone up to heaven
except the one who has come down from heaven, the Son of Man.
And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert,
so must the Son of Man be lifted up,
so that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life."

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life.

For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

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

#### **Nicene Creed**

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

#### All bow: and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

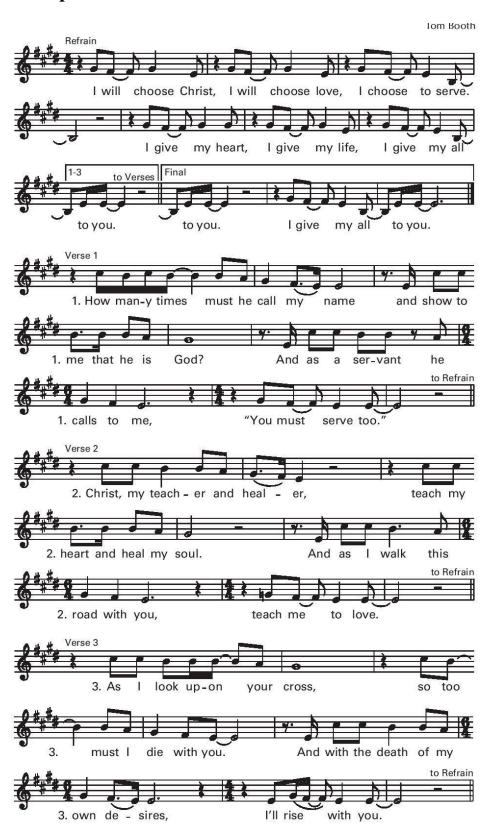
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one baptism
for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come.

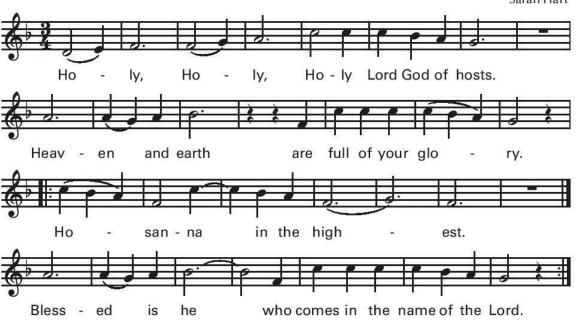
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#### Preparation of the Gifts - "I Will Choose Christ"

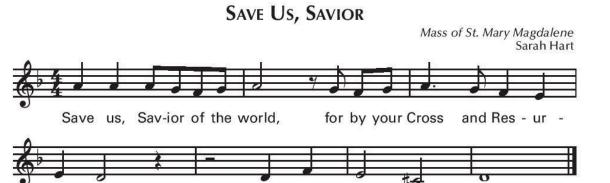


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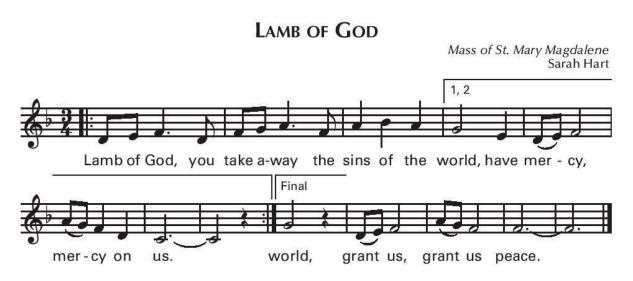
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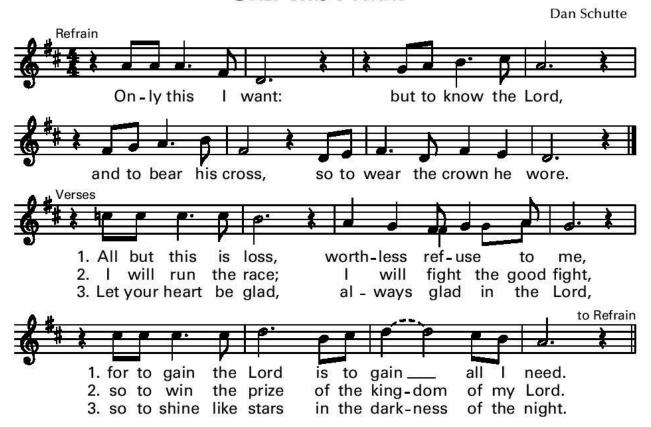
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## **Communion**

#### **ONLY THIS I WANT**



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## **DEEP PEACE**



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#### **Spiritual Communion Prayer**

My Jesus,
I believe that You are present
in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there
and unite myself wholly to You.
Never permit me to be separated from You.
Amen.

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#### Recessional

#### **ALLELUIA! SING TO JESUS**



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