

March 17, 2024
St. Patrick's themed Dinner Church Service

PRELUDE

The Deer's Cry
(Based on St. Patrick's Breastplate)

Mr. Kevin Crone

Welcome & Introduction

Lighting of the Christ Candle

A VOLUNTEER will light the Christ Candle, and together everyone says:
"We light this candle to remind us that the Holy Trinity is with us in this very room."

Sung Table Blessing - Be Present at our Table, Lord

Tune: Genevan 124 Old Hundredth 8.8.8.8: All People That on Earth Do Dwell

Be present at our table, Lord.
Be here and everywhere adored.
These mercies bless and grant that we
may feast in fellowship with Thee.

We thank Thee for the morning light,
for rest and shelter of the night,
for health and food, for love and friends,
for everything Thy goodness sends. Amen.

Sharing a Meal Together

First-time guests are invited to go first.

HYMN

Holy, Holy, Holy (Page 3)

Trivia and Scripture

Ephesians 6:10-20

¹⁰ Finally, build up your strength in union with the Lord and by means of his mighty power. ¹¹ Put on all the armor that God gives you, so that you will be able to stand up against the Devil's evil tricks. ¹² For we are not fighting against human beings but against the wicked spiritual forces in the heavenly world, the rulers, authorities, and cosmic powers of this dark age. ¹³ So put on God's armor now! Then when the evil day comes, you will be able to resist the enemy's attacks; and after fighting to the end, you will still hold your ground.

¹⁴ So stand ready, with truth as a belt tight around your waist, with righteousness as your breastplate, ¹⁵ and as your shoes the readiness to announce the Good News of peace. ¹⁶ At all times carry faith as a shield; for with it you will be able to put out all the burning arrows shot by the Evil One. ¹⁷ And accept salvation as a helmet, and the word of God as the sword which the Spirit gives you. ¹⁸ Do all this in prayer, asking for God's help. Pray on every occasion, as the Spirit leads. For this reason keep alert and never give up; pray always for all God's people. ¹⁹ And pray also for me, that God will give me a message when I am ready to speak, so that I may speak boldly and make known the gospel's secret. ²⁰ For the sake of this gospel I am an ambassador, though now I am in prison. Pray that I may be bold in speaking about the gospel as I should.

Questions for Reflection

HYMN

Christ Beside Me (Page 4)

Words of Institution

Sharing of the Bread and Cup

We simply pass the bread, and everyone has their own cup,
but say to one another as each partakes of the elements:
The body and blood of Christ broken and shed for you.

Popcorn Prayer

Closing Hymn

Lord of the Dance (Page 5 & 6)

Benediction

Sung Benediction

Old Irish Blessing by Chancel Choir

Communal Clean-Up

***The shared meal and worship service was a community endeavor.
Thus, may we all contribute another 10 minutes to help clean up the tables and dishes.
In this way – we continue to serve one another.
And, the labor of clean up does not rest on a few, but too, is shared by the community.***

Holy, Holy, Holy

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REGINALD HEBER, 1826
With exaltation

11. 12. 12. 10.

NICÆA
JOHN B. DYKES, 1861

1. Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!
2. Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! all the saints a - dore Thee,
3. Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! though the dark - ness hide Thee,
4. Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!

Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to Thee:
Cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;
Though the eye of sin - ful man Thy glo - ry may not see,
All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea;

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y!
Cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore Thee,
On - ly Thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side Thee,
Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y!

God in Three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!
Who wert, and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.
Per - fect in power, in love, and pu - ri - ty.
God in Three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty! A-MEN.

Christ Beside Me

Unison



1. Christ be - side me, Christ be - fore me,
2. Christ on my right hand, Christ on my left hand,
3. Christ be in all hearts think - ing a - bout me,
4. Christ be - side me, Christ be - fore me,



Christ be - hind me— King of my heart;
Christ all a - round me— shield in the strife;
Christ be on all tongues tell - ing of me;
Christ be - hind me— King of my heart;



Christ with - in me, Christ be - low me,
Christ in my sleep - ing, Christ in my sit - ting,
Christ be the vi - sion in eyes that see me,
Christ with - in me, Christ be - low me,



Christ a - bove me— nev - er to part.
Christ in my ris - ing— light of my life.
in ears that hear me Christ ev - er be.
Christ a - bove me— nev - er to part.

Lord of the Dance

Unison G Em Bm Em

1. I danced in the morn-ing when the world was be-gun, and I
 2. I danced for the scribe and the Phar - i - see, but they
 3. I danced on the sab-bath when I cured the lame, the
 4. I danced on a Fri-day and the sky turned black; it's
 5. They cut me down and I leapt up high,

danced in the moon and the stars and the sun, and I
 would not dance and they would not fol - low me; I
 ho - ly peo - ple said it was a shame; they
 hard to dance with the dev - il on your back; they
 I am the life that -'ll nev - er, nev - er die; I'll

came down from heav - en and I danced on the earth. At
 danced for the fish - er - men, for James and John; they
 whipped and they stripped and they hung me high; and they
 bur - ied my bod - y and they thought I'd gone, but
 live in you if you'll live in me;

Am D7 C G Refrain G Bm

Beth - le - hem I had my birth.
 came to me and the dance went on.
 left me there on a cross to die. Dance, then, wher -
 I am the dance and I still go on.
 I am the Lord of the Dance, said he.

em G

ev - er you may be; I am the Lord of the

Am D G C G D7

Dance, said he. And I'll lead you all wher - ev - er you may

G C D7 G C G

be, and I'll lead you all in the dance, said he.

Saint Patrick's Breastplate

I arise today
through a mighty strength, the invocation of the trinity,
through belief in the threeness,
through confession of the oneness
of the creator of creation.

I arise today
through the strength of christ's birth with his baptism,
through the strength of his crucifixion with his burial,
through the strength of his resurrection with his ascension,
through the strength of his descent for the judgment of doom.

I arise today
through the strength of the love of cherubim,
in the obedience of angels,
in the service of archangels,
in the hope of resurrection to meet with reward,
in the prayers of patriarchs,
in the predictions of prophets,
in the preaching of apostles,
in the faith of confessors,
in the innocence of holy virgins,
in the deeds of righteous men.

I arise today, through
the strength of heaven,
the light of the sun,
the radiance of the moon,
the splendor of fire,
the speed of lightning,
the swiftness of wind,
the depth of the sea,
the stability of the earth,
the firmness of rock.

I arise today, through
God's strength to pilot me,
God's might to uphold me,
God's wisdom to guide me,
God's eye to look before me,
God's ear to hear me,
God's word to speak for me,
God's hand to guard me,

God's shield to protect me,
God's host to save me
from snares of devils,
from temptation of vices,
from everyone who shall wish me ill,
afar and near.

I summon today
all these powers between me and those evils,
against every cruel and merciless power
that may oppose my body and soul,
against incantations of false prophets,
against black laws of pagandom,
against false laws of heretics,
against craft of idolatry,
against spells of witches and smiths and wizards,
against every knowledge that corrupts man's body and soul;
Christ to shield me today
against poison, against burning,
against drowning, against wounding,
so that there may come to me an abundance of reward.

Christ with me,
Christ before me,
Christ behind me,
Christ in me,
Christ beneath me,
Christ above me,
Christ on my right,
Christ on my left,
Christ when i lie down,
Christ when i sit down,
Christ when i arise,
Christ in the heart of every man who thinks of me,
Christ in the mouth of everyone who speaks of me,
Christ in every eye that sees me,
Christ in every ear that hears me.

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