

# A Liturgy of Thanksgiving

*with* The Signing of the Instrument of Full Communion  
Between the Churches



**The Cathedral Church of the Holy Trinity**  
(The American Cathedral in Paris)

Monday, March 27, 2023  
11:00 o'clock in the morning

*Welcome the Cathedral of the Holy Trinity and thank you for attending this historic liturgy of thanksgiving, including the signing of the Memorandum of Understanding establishing Full Communion between the Church of Sweden and the Episcopal Church. Both the General Synod of the Church of Sweden and the General Convention of the Episcopal Church approved this agreement in 2022, recognizing our long-standing existing relationship.*

*Today, March 27, is a day of commemoration on the Episcopal Church's liturgical calendar for Charles Henry Brent, an early ecumenical pioneer in the Episcopal Church, who died on this day in 1929. He was successively Missionary Bishop in the Philippines, Bishop of Western New York, and Bishop in Charge of the Convocation (while Bishop of Western New York) from 1926-1928. He was also centered in Paris at Holy Trinity during 1917-1918, as Bishop to the Armed Forces. He was very active in the development of the Faith and Order Movement, and worked closely with Archbishop Nathan Söderblom in the 1920s.*

*In today's service both Swedish and North American church music traditions are honored. Those pieces marked with \* are Swedish, those with \*\* are U.S.-American, and those with \*\*\* are Canadian.*

## THE ORDER OF PROCESSION



The Choir

Convocation and Visiting Clergy  
of the Episcopal Church and the Church of Sweden

Visiting Ecumenical Clergy



Ecumenical Officers of the Two Churches

The Interim Dean and Canon Pastor

The Deacon of the Mass

The Archdeacon of the Convocation

The Bishop and Charge and the Former Bishop in Charge

The Chaplains to the Presiding Bishop and The Archbishop of Uppsala

The Presiding Bishop and The Archbishop of Uppsala

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upon entering the sanctuary of the cathedral.*

ORDER OF SERVICE

Organ Voluntary:

Prelude and Fugue in D-sharp Minor

*\*Otto Olsson (1879-1964)*

Welcome

Hymn: 686, "Come, thou fount of every blessing"

*\*\*Nettleton*

1 Come, thou fount of ev - ery bless - ing, tune my  
2 Here I find my great - est trea - sure; hith - er,  
3 Oh, to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly

heart to sing thy grace! Streams of mer - cy nev - er  
by thy help, I've come; and I hope, by thy good  
I'm con - strained to be! Let thy good - ness, like a

ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.  
plea - sure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home.  
fet - ter, bind my wan - dering heart to thee:

Teach me some me - lo - dious son - net, sung by  
Je - sus sought me when a stran - ger wan - dering  
prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it, prone to

flam - ing tongues a - bove. Praise the mount! Oh, fix me  
from the fold of God; he, to res - cue me from  
leave the God I love; here's my heart, oh, take and

on it, mount of God's un - chang - ing love.  
dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.  
seal it, seal it for thy courts a - bove.

Words: Robert Robinson (1735-1790), alt. Music: *Nettleton*, melody from *A Repository of Sacred Music, Part II*, 1813; harm. Gerre Hancock (b. 1934).

## A Penitential Order

*Presiding Bishop* Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

*All* God's mercy endures forever.

*Presiding Bishop*

Jesus said, "the first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these."

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Deacon*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*All are invited to kneel, as able.*

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 Presiding Bishop pronounces the Absolution:*

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.

*All are invited to stand, as able.*

Kyrie eleison *Sung by all*

\*\*\**Healey Willan*  
(1880-1986)

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up -  
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -  
on us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -  
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.  
Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

**The Word of God**

*Presiding Bishop* The Lord be with you.

*All* And also with you.

*Presiding Bishop* Let us pray:

*The Collect of the Day*

Heavenly Father, whose Son prayed that we all might be one:

Deliver us from arrogance and prejudice, and give us wisdom and forbearance, that, following your servant Charles Henry Brent, we may be united in one family with all who confess the Name of your Son Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

*All are invited to be seated.*

First Reading: Ephesians 4:1–6

Så förmanar jag nu eder, jag som är en fånge i Herren, att föra en vandel som är värdig den kallelse I haven undfått, med all ödmjukhet och allt saktmod, med tålmod, så att I haven fördrag med varandra i kärlek och vinnläggen eder om att bevara Andens enhet genom fridens band: en kropp och en Ande, likasom I ock bleven kallade till att leva i ett och samma hopp, det som tillhör eder kallelse—en Herre, en tro, ett dop, en Gud, som är allas Fader, han som är över alla, genom alla och i alla.

The Word of the Lord.

*All* **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm: 122 Lætatus sum

*\*\*David Hurd  
(born 1950)*

I was glad when they said to me, \*  
“Let us go to the house of the Lord.”  
Now our feet are standing \*  
within your gates, O Jerusalem.  
Jerusalem is built as a city \*  
that is at unity with itself;  
To which the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord, \*  
the assembly of Israel,  
to praise the Name of the Lord.  
For there are the thrones of judgment, \*  
the thrones of the house of David.  
Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: \*  
“May they prosper who love you.  
Peace be within your walls \*  
and quietness within your towers.  
For my brethren and companions’ sake, \*  
I pray for your prosperity.  
Because of the house of the Lord our God, \*  
I will seek to do you good.”

Sequence Hymn: "How great Thou art"

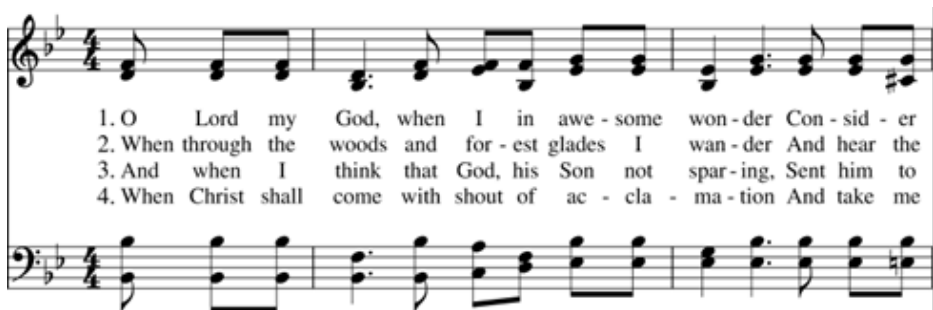
\*O store Gud

Svensk folketone; text, C. Boberg 1889; O: Knut Andersen 1956

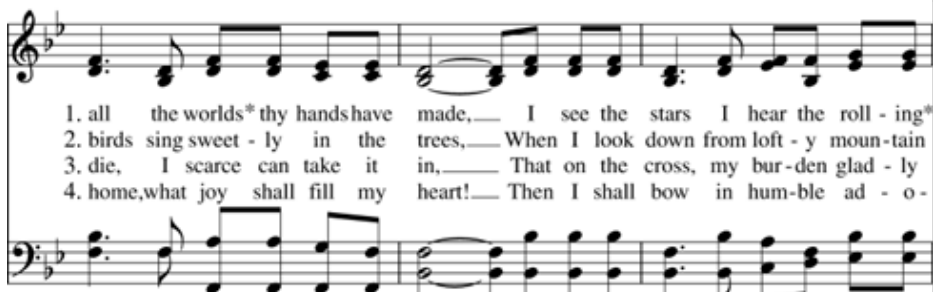
tr. Stuart K. Hine

The first verse is sung in Swedish by the soloist;

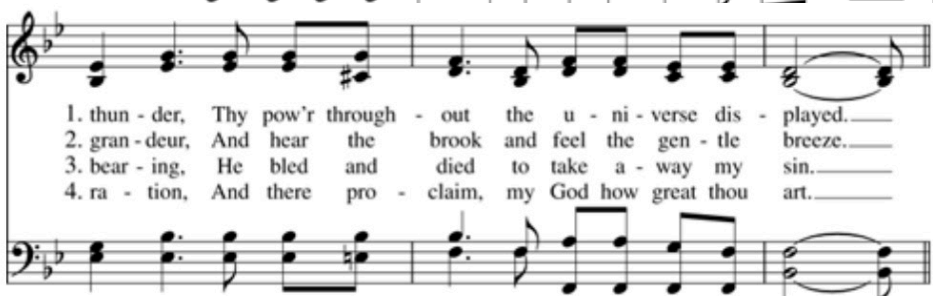
The congregation then sings the four verses in English.



1. O Lord my God, when I in awe - some won - der Con - sid - er  
 2. When through the woods and for - est glades I wan - der And hear the  
 3. And when I think that God, his Son not spar - ing, Sent him to  
 4. When Christ shall come with shout of ac - cla - ma - tion And take me



1. all the worlds\* thy hands have made, — I see the stars I hear the roll - ing\*  
 2. birds sing sweet - ly in the trees, — When I look down from loft - y moun - tain  
 3. die, I scarce can take it in, — That on the cross, my bur - den glad - ly  
 4. home, what joy shall fill my heart! — Then I shall bow in hum - ble ad - o -



1. thun - der, Thy pow'r through - out the u - ni - verse dis - played. —  
 2. gran - deur, And hear the brook and feel the gen - tle breeze. —  
 3. bear - ing, He bled and died to take a - way my sin. —  
 4. ra - tion, And there pro - claim, my God how great thou art. —



Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior, God, to Thee: — How great Thou





## Nicene Creed

*Said by all, standing as able.*

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,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary  
and became truly human.

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,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who 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.

## The Signing of the Agreement on Full Communion

*Introduction to the Agreement:*

The Reverend Margaret Rose

*Deputy to the Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church  
for Ecumenical and Interreligious Relations*

The Very Reverend Dr. Christopher Meakin

*Dean Emeritus, Växjö Cathedral, Church of Sweden*

*Signatories:*

The Most Reverend Martin Modéus

*Archbishop of Uppsala and Primate of the Church of Sweden*

The Most Reverend Michael Curry

*Presiding Bishop and Primate of the Episcopal Church*

Hymn 529: "In Christ there is no East or West"

\*\*McKee

J. Oxenham  
(1852-1941)

Spiritual, arr.  
H. T. Burleigh (1866-1949)

1. In Christ there is no East or West, in  
2. Join hands, dis - ci - ples of the faith, what -  
3. In Christ now meet both East and West, in

him no South or North, but one great fel - low -  
e'er your race may be! Who serves my Fa - ther  
him meet South and North, all Christ - ly souls are

ship of love through - out the whole wide earth.  
 as his child is sure - ly kin to me.  
 one in him, through - out the whole wide earth.

**The Prayers of the People, Form III**

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

**That we all may be one.**

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

**That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

**That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

**That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

**That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

**That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Give to the departed eternal rest;

**Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

**May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

*Silence. All may add their own petitions.*

*The Presiding Bishop offers the concluding collect:*

Almighty Father, whose blessed Son before his passion prayed for his disciples that they might be one, as you and he are one: Grant that your Church, being bound together in love and obedience to you, may be united in one body by the one Spirit, that the world may believe in him whom you have sent, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

## The Peace

*Presiding Bishop* The peace of Christ be always with you.

*All* And also with you.

*All may greet one another in the Name of Christ.*

## Welcome and Announcements

## The Offertory

Solo at the Offertory:

“Vi lofve Tig” (We praise Thee, O God) from *Gloria*

*\*Johann Helmich Roman  
(1694-1758)*

*Åsa Junesjo, soloist*

## The Great Thanksgiving (Eucharistic Prayer A)

*All standing, as able*

*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 our thanks and praise.

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds with the Preface:*

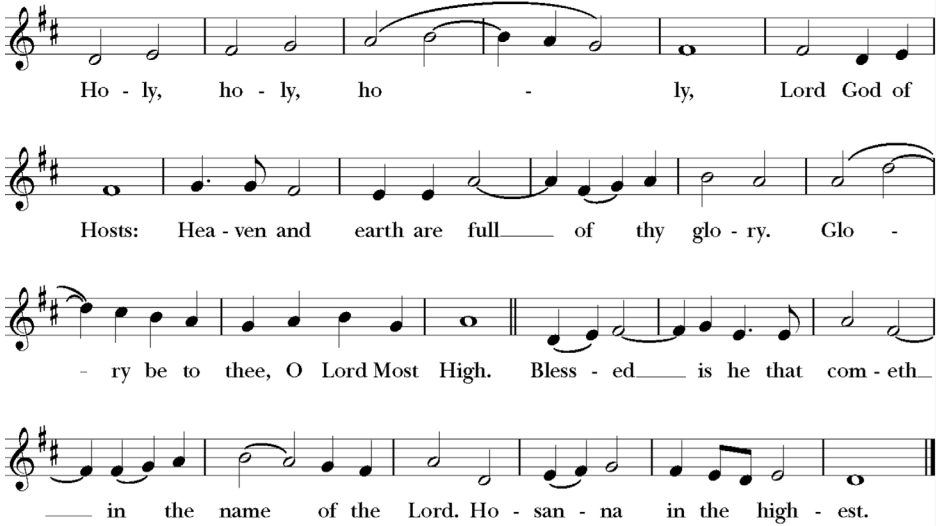
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. In fulfillment of his true promise, the Holy Spirit came down from heaven, lighting upon the disciples, to teach them and to lead them into all truth; uniting peoples of many tongues in the confession of one faith, and giving to your Church the power to serve you as a royal priesthood, and to preach the Gospel to all nations.

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:

Sanctus and Benedictus

\*\*\*Healey Willan  
(1880-1968)



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of  
Hosts: Hea - ven and earth are full of thy glo - ry. Glo -  
- ry be to thee, O Lord Most High. Bless - ed is he that com - eth  
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Holy and gracious God: 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 maker of all.

Jesus 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 Savior 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 Jesus 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:

- All* Christ has died.
- Christ is risen.
- Christ will come again.

*The Celebrant continues*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ's 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 Christ. 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 Jesus Christ our Savior: By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. AMEN.

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

The Lord's Prayer *Said by each in their own language*

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.

Vår Fader, du som är i himlen.  
Låt ditt namn bli helgat.  
Låt ditt rike komma.  
Låt din vilja ske  
på jorden så som i himlen.  
Ge oss i dag det bröd vi behöver.  
Och förlåt oss våra skulder  
liksom vi har förlåtit dem  
som står i skuld till oss.  
Och utsätt oss inte för prövning  
utan rädda oss från det onda.  
Ditt är riket,  
din är makten och äran  
i evighet. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

Agnus Dei

\*\*\*Healey Willan  
(1880-1968)

(organ) All  
O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a -  
way the sins of the world, have  
mer - cy up - on us. (organ) O Lamb of  
God, that ta - kest a - way the sins of the  
world, have mer - cy up - on us.  
(organ) O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a -  
way the sins of the world,  
(organ) grant us thy peace.

*The Celebrant says the Invitation to Communion*

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.

## The Communion

*All are welcome to share in the Eucharist, the feast of the Lord's Supper. Communion will be administered today at the bottom of the steps. Please follow the directions of the ushers.*

*You are invited to kneel or stand at the rail to receive communion. Please receive the bread (wafer) in the palm of your outstretched hands. You are invited to take a small sip of the consecrated wine; please do not dip your wafer in the wine.*

*This is a big city and we are concerned about theft; please take your coat, purse, and other belongings with you as you leave the pew.*

## Communion Anthem: Ubi caritas

*\*Pär Olofsson  
(b.1973)*

*Sung by the Choir in Latin*

*Text: Antiphon for the traditional Maundy Thursday Rite*

Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est.  
Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor.  
Exsultemus et in ipso iucundemur.  
Timeamus et amemus Deum vivum.  
Et ex corde diligamus nos sincero.  
Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est.

*Where charity and love are, God is there.  
Christ's love has gathered us into one.  
Let us rejoice and be pleased in Him.  
Let us fear, and let us love the living God.  
And may we love each other with a sincere heart.  
Where charity and love are, God is there.*

## Hymn: "Children of the Heavenly Father"

*Svensk folketone*

1. Chil - dren of the heav'n-ly Fa - ther Safe - ly in His bos - om gath - er;  
2. God His own doth tend and nour-ish, In His ho - ly courts they flour-ish;  
3. Nei - ther life nor death shall ev - er From the Lord His chil - ren sev - er;  
4. Praise the Lord in joy - ful num-bers, Your pro - tect - or nev - er slum-bers;  
5. Though He giv - eth or He tak - eth, God His chil-dren ne'er for - sak - eth;

1. Nest-ling bird nor star in heav - en, Such a ref - uge e'er was giv - en.  
2. From all e - vil things He spares them, In His might - y arms He bears them.  
3. Un - to them His grace He show - eth, And their sor - rows all He know - eth.  
4. At the will of your de - fend - er Ev - ery per - son must sur - ren - der.  
5. His the lov - ing pur - pose sole - ly To pre - serve them pure and ho - ly.



Post-Communion Prayer *Said by all*

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.

*Presiding Bishop blesses the people, all standing as able.*

Hymn: 521, "Put forth, O God, thy Spirit's might"

*\*\*Chelsea Square*

*Descant*

4 O Judge di - vine of hu - man strife! O

1 Put forth, O God, thy Spi - rit's might and  
2 Let works of dark - ness dis - ap - pear be -  
3 Let what a - pos - tles learned of thee be  
4 O Judge di - vine of hu - man strife! O

Van - quish - er of pain! To know thee is e -

bid thy Church in - crease, in breadth and length, in  
fore thy con - quering light; let ha - tred and tor -  
ours from age to age; their stead - fast faith our  
Van - quish - er of pain! To know thee is e -

ter - nal life, to serve thee, to reign.  
depth and height, her u - ni - ty and peace.  
ment - ing fear pass with the pass - ing night.  
u - ni - ty, their peace our her - it - age.  
ter - nal life, to serve thee is to reign.

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## The Dismissal

*Deacon*

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*All*

**Thanks be to God.**

Organ Voluntary: Finale from Sonata in G Minor

*\*Oskar Lindberg  
(1887-1955)*



*Please refrain from entering the Chapel of St. Paul the Traveler until the end of the service. The service is being broadcast live, and the chapel is a production space.*

## PARTICIPANTS IN THE SERVICE

*The celebrant is The Most Rev. Michael Curry,  
Presiding Bishop and Primate of the Episcopal Church.*

*The preacher is The Most Rev. Martin Modéus,  
Archbishop of Uppsala. and Primate of the Church of Sweden.*

*The Deacon of the Mass is The Reverend Deacon Richard Cole.*

*The Chaplain to Presiding Bishop Curry is The Right Reverend W. Michie Klusmeyer,  
Canon to the Presiding Bishop for Ministry Within the Episcopal Church.*

*The Chaplain to Archbishop Modéus is The Reverend Dr. Peter Lindvall,  
head of the Unit for Pastoral Development and Ecumenical Relations  
of the Department of Church and Society, Church of Sweden*

*The Assisting Bishops are The Right Reverend Mark D. W. Edington  
and The Right Reverend Pierre W. Whalon.*

*The Archdeacon is The Venerable Walter Baer.*

*The Ecumenical Deputies The Reverend Margaret Rose  
and The Very Rev. Christopher Meakin*

*The Lector is Johanna Holmlund Lautmann,  
Department for The Church Abroad, Church of Sweden.*

*The Intercessor is Maleah Rios.*

*The Canon for Music is Zachary Ullery.*

*The organist is Andrew Dewar.*

*The choir is composed of Members of the Cathedral Choir.*

*The acolytes are Andrew Kleutz, Joris Bürmann, and Thomas-Xavier Martin*

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