

pack of evildoers closes in on me. So wasted are my hands and feet that I can count all my bones. They stare at me and gloat; they divide my garments among them; for my clothing they cast lots.

But you, LORD, do not stay far off; my strength, come quickly to help me. Deliver me from the sword, my forlorn life from the teeth of the dog. Save me from the lion's mouth, my poor life from the horns of wild bulls.

III

Then I will proclaim your name to the assembly; in the community I will praise you: "You who fear the LORD, give praise! All descendants of Jacob, give honor; show reverence, all descendants of Israel!

For God has not spurned or disdained the misery of this poor wretch, Did not turn away from me, but heard me when I cried out. I will offer praise in the great assembly; my vows I will fulfill before those who fear him. The poor will eat their fill; those who seek the LORD will offer praise. May your hearts enjoy life forever!"

IV

All the ends of the earth will worship and turn to the LORD; All the families of nations will bow low before you. For kingship belongs to the LORD, the ruler over the nations. All who sleep in the earth will bow low before God; All who have gone down into the dust will kneel in homage. And I will live for

the LORD; my descendants will serve you. The generation to come will be told of the Lord, that they may proclaim to a people yet unborn the deliverance you have brought.

HOLY SPIRIT

Description: The dove descending upon creation, the Third person of the Blessed Trinity promised by Jesus and given to us from the Cross.

[John 16:7] But I tell you the truth, it is better for you that I go. For if I do not go, the Advocate will not come to you. But if I go, I will send him to you.

Reflection: PSALM 51

I

Have mercy on me, God, in your goodness; in your abundant compassion blot out my offense. Wash away all my guilt; from my sin cleanse me.

For I know my offense; my sin is always before me. Against you alone have I sinned; I have done such evil in your sight that you are just in your sentence, blameless when you condemn.

True, I was born guilty, a sinner, even as my mother conceived me. Still, you insist on sincerity of heart; in my inmost being teach me wisdom.

Cleanse me with hyssop, that I may be pure; wash me, make me whiter than snow. Let me hear sounds of



joy and gladness;
let the bones you
have crushed
rejoice.

II

Turn away your
face from my
sins; blot out all
my guilt. A clean
heart create for
me, God; renew in
me a steadfast
spirit. Do not
drive me from
your presence,
nor take from me
your holy spirit.

Restore my joy in your salvation;
sustain in me a willing spirit. I will
teach the wicked your ways, that
sinners may return to you.

Rescue me from death, God, my saving
God, that my tongue may praise your
healing power.

Lord, open my lips; my mouth will
proclaim your praise. For you do not
desire sacrifice; a burnt offering you
would not accept. My sacrifice, God, is
a broken spirit; God, do not spurn a
broken, humbled heart.

III

Make Zion prosper in your good
pleasure; rebuild the walls of
Jerusalem. Then you will be pleased
with proper sacrifice, burnt offerings
and holocausts; then bullocks will be
offered on your altar.

CHALICE AND HOST

Description: God is ever present to us in the
form of bread and wine. He is our nourishment
and lifeblood.

[Luke 22:19] "Do this in memory of
me."



Reflection: PSALM

78

I

Attend, my people,
to my teaching;
listen to the
words of my
mouth.

I will open my
mouth in story,
drawing lessons
from of old.

We have heard
them, we know
them; our
ancestors have

recited them to us.

We do not keep them from our
children; we recite them to the next
generation, The praiseworthy and
mighty deeds of the LORD, the
wonders that he performed.

God set up a decree in Jacob,
established a law in Israel: What he
commanded our ancestors, they were
to teach their children;

That the next generation might come
to know, children yet to be born. In
turn they were to recite them to
their children, that they too might put
their trust in God, And not forget the
works of God, keeping his
commandments.

They were not to be like their
ancestors, a rebellious and defiant
generation, A generation whose heart
was not constant, whose spirit was
not faithful to God,

Like the ranks of Ephraimite archers,
who retreated on the day of battle.

They did not keep God's covenant; they
refused to walk by his law. They
forgot his works, the wondrous deeds
he had shown them.

II

In the sight of their ancestors God did

wonders, in the land of Egypt, the plain of Zoan. He split the sea and led them across, piling up the waters rigid as walls.

God led them with a cloud by day, all night with the light of fire. He split rock in the desert, gave water to drink, abounding as the deep.

He made streams flow from crags, drew out rivers of water. But they went on sinning against him, rebelling against the Most High in the desert.

They tested God in their hearts, demanding the food they craved. They spoke against God, and said, "Can God spread a table in the desert?"

True, when he struck the rock, water gushed forth, the wadis flooded. But can he also provide bread, give meat to his people?" The LORD heard and grew angry; fire blazed up against Jacob; anger flared up against Israel. For they did not believe in God, did not trust in his saving power.

So he commanded the skies above; the doors of heaven he opened. God rained manna upon them for food; bread from heaven he gave them. All ate a meal fit for heroes; food he sent in abundance.

He stirred up the east wind in the heavens; by his power God brought on the south wind.

He rained meat upon them like dust, winged fowl like the sands of the sea, brought them down in the midst of the camp, round about their tents. They ate and were well filled; he gave them what they had craved.

They remembered that God was their rock, God Most High, their redeemer. But they deceived him with their mouths, lied to him with their tongues. Their hearts were not constant toward him; they were not faithful to his covenant.

But God is merciful and forgave their sin; he did not utterly destroy them. Time and again he turned back his anger, unwilling to unleash all his rage. He was mindful that they were flesh, a breath that passes and does not return.

III

How often they rebelled against God in the desert, grieved him in the wasteland. Again and again they tested God, provoked the Holy One of Israel.

They did not remember his power, the day he redeemed them from the foe, when he displayed his wonders in Egypt, his marvels in the plain of Zoan. God changed their rivers to blood; their streams they could not drink.

God led forth his people like sheep; he guided them through the desert like a flock. He led them on secure and unafraid, but the sea enveloped their enemies.

He brought them to his holy land, the mountain his right hand had won. God drove out the nations before them, apportioned them a heritage by lot, settled the tribes of Israel in their tents.

God chose the tribe of Judah, Mount Zion which he favored. He built his shrine like the heavens, like the earth, which he founded forever.

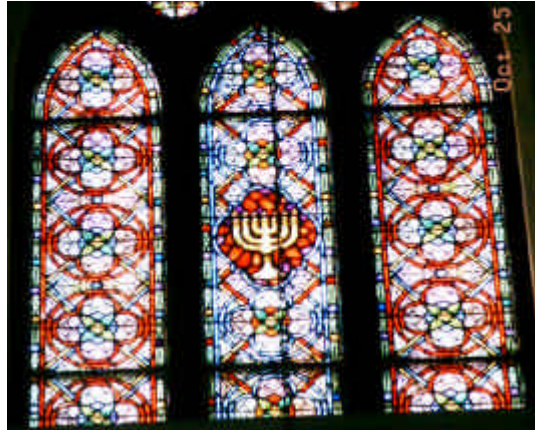
He chose David his servant, took him from the sheepfold. From tending sheep God brought him, to shepherd Jacob, his people, Israel, his heritage.

He shepherded them with a pure heart; with skilled hands he guided them.

MENORAH

Description: The eight day festival of Hanukkah, dates to 165 BCE and celebrates the

triumph of Jewish freedom fighters over Syrians. In Jewish tradition the eight candles mark a miracle in which a day's worth of oil, needed to purify the temple that was saved from the Syrians, burned for eight days. Each day for eight days a candle is lit using the Shamash, the ninth candle.



Reflection: Jesus is our light, a Light that shatters the darkness. The Lord is my light and my salvation.

PSALM 18: 1-4;19-51

I

He said: I love you, LORD, my strength, LORD, my rock, my fortress, my deliverer, My God, my rock of refuge, my shield, my saving horn, my stronghold! Praised be the LORD, I exclaim! I have been delivered from my enemies.

They attacked me on a day of distress, but the LORD came to my support. He set me free in the open; he rescued me because he loves me.

III

The LORD acknowledged my righteousness, rewarded my clean hands. For I kept the ways of the LORD; I was not disloyal to my God.

His laws were all before me, his decrees I did not cast aside. I was honest toward him; I was on guard against sin.

So the LORD rewarded my righteousness, the cleanness of my hands in his sight. Toward the faithful you are faithful; to the honest you are honest;

Toward the sincere, sincere; but to

the perverse you are devious. Humble people you save; haughty eyes you bring low.

You, LORD, give light to my lamp; my God brightens the darkness about me. With you I can rush an armed band, with my God to help I can leap a wall.

God's way is unerring; the LORD'S promise is tried and true; he is a shield for all who trust in him.

IV

Truly, who is God except the LORD? Who but our God is the rock? This God who girded me with might, kept my way unerring, Who made my feet swift as a deer's, set me safe on the heights, Who trained my hands for war, my arms to bend even a bow of bronze.

V

You have given me your protecting shield; your right hand has upheld me; you stooped to make me great. You gave me room to stride; my feet never stumbled.

VI

The LORD lives! Blessed be my rock! Exalted be God, my savior!

O God who granted me vindication, made peoples subject to me, and preserved me from my enemies, Truly you have exalted me above my adversaries, from the violent you have rescued me.

Thus I will proclaim you, LORD, among the nations; I will sing the praises of your name.

You have given great victories to your

king, and shown kindness to your anointed, to David and his posterity forever.

☛ *Now journey back up the middle of the Church using the top windows on the Tabernacle side of the Church*

TRINITY

Description: The triangle with circles as a symbol of the Trinity. This sign is a declaration of one God and three divine persons. The Father is not the Son the Son is not the Spirit and the Father is not the Spirit. The Father is God The Son is God, and the Holy Spirit is God. One God, Three divine persons.

Reflection: [2 Cor. 13:13] *The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.*

[Mat 3:13] *Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan to be baptized by him.*

[Mat 3:14] *John tried to prevent him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and yet you are coming to me?"*

[Mat 3:15] *Jesus said to him in reply, "Allow it now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness." Then he allowed him.*

[Mat 3:16] *After Jesus was baptized, he came*

up from the water and behold, the heavens were opened (for him), and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove (and) coming upon him.

[Mat 3:17] *And a voice came from the heavens, saying, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."*

Ephesians 1:3-10

Praised be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has bestowed on us in Christ every spiritual blessing in the heavens.

God chose us in Him before the world began

to be holy and blameless in His sight.

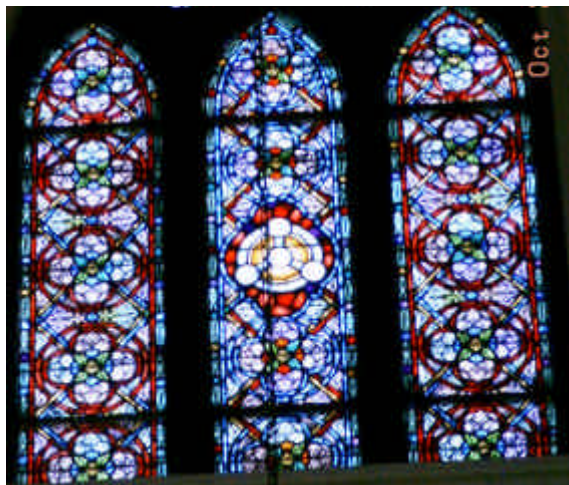
He predestined us to be his adopted sons through Jesus Christ, such was His will and pleasure, that all might praise the glorious favor He has bestowed on us in His beloved.

In him and through his blood, we have been redeemed, and our sins forgiven, so immeasurably generous is God's favor to us.

God has given us the wisdom to understand fully the mystery, the plan He was pleased to decree in Christ.

A Plan to be carried out in Christ, in the fullness of time,

to bring all things into one in him, in the heavens and on earth.





MONSTRANCE

Description: Monstrance also called Ostensorium, a vessel in which the Eucharistic Host is carried in processions and is exposed during certain devotional ceremonies. Both names are derived from Latin words (monstrare and ostendere) that mean, "to show."

Reflection: PSALM 150

Hallelujah! Praise God in his holy sanctuary; give praise in the mighty dome of heaven.

Give praise for his mighty deeds, praise him for his great majesty.

Give praise with blasts upon the horn, praise him with harp and lyre.

Give praise with tambourines and dance, praise him with flutes and strings.

Give praise with crashing cymbals, praise him with sounding cymbals.

Let everything that has breath give praise to the LORD! Hallelujah!

LAMB OF GOD

Description: The Lord is the sacrificial lamb that bears the sins of the community and restores them to righteousness. The unblemished lamb whose blood protects the first-born.

Reflection: Is. 53

Who would believe what we have heard? To whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed?

He grew up like a sapling before him, like a shoot from the parched earth; There was in him no stately bearing to make us look at him, nor appearance that would attract us to him.

He was spurned and avoided by men, a man of suffering, accustomed to infirmity, One of those from whom men hide their faces, spurned, and we held him in no esteem.

Yet it was our infirmities that he bore, our sufferings that he endured, While we thought of him as stricken, as one smitten by God and afflicted.

But he was pierced for our offenses, crushed for our sins, Upon him was the chastisement that makes us whole, by his stripes we were healed.

We had all gone astray like sheep, each following his own way; But the LORD laid upon him the guilt of us all.

Though he was harshly treated, he



submitted and opened not his mouth;
Like a lamb led to the slaughter or a
sheep before the shearers, he was
silent and opened not his mouth.

Oppressed and condemned, he was
taken away, and who would have
thought any more of his destiny?
When he was cut off from the land of
the living, and smitten for the sin of
his people,

A grave was assigned him among the
wicked and a burial place with
evildoers, Though he had done no
wrong nor spoken any falsehood.

(But the LORD was pleased to crush
him in infirmity.) If he gives his life as
an offering for sin, he shall see his
descendants in a long life, and the will
of the LORD shall be accomplished
through him.

Because of his affliction he shall see
the light in fullness of days; Through
his suffering, my servant shall justify
many, and their guilt he shall bear.

Therefore I will give him his portion
among the great, and he shall divide
the spoils with the mighty, Because he
surrendered himself to death and was
counted among the wicked; And he
shall take away the sins of many, and
win

CROWN

Description: King of Kings and Lord of
Lords.

Reflection: PSALM 89

I

The promises of the LORD I will sing
forever, proclaim your loyalty
through all ages. For you said, "My
love is established forever; my loyalty
will stand as long as the heavens.

I have made a covenant with my
chosen one; I have sworn to David my



servant: I will make your dynasty
stand forever and establish your
throne through all ages." Selah

II

The heavens praise your marvels,
LORD, your loyalty in the assembly of
the holy ones. Who in the skies ranks
with the LORD? Who is like the LORD
among the gods?

A God dreaded in the council of the
holy ones, greater and more awesome
than all who sit there! LORD, God of
hosts, who is like you? Mighty LORD,
your loyalty is always present.

You rule the raging sea; you still its
swelling waves. You crushed Rahab
with a mortal blow; your strong arm
scattered your foes.

Yours are the heavens, yours the
earth; you founded the world and
everything in it. Zaphon and Amanus
you created; Tabor and Hermon
rejoice in your name.

Mighty your arm, strong your hand,
your right hand is ever exalted.
Justice and judgment are the
foundation of your throne; love and
loyalty march before you.

Happy the people who know you, LORD,
who walk in the radiance of your

face, in your name they sing joyfully all the day; at your victory they raise the festal shout.

You are their majestic strength; by your favor our horn is exalted. Truly the LORD is our shield, the Holy One of Israel, our king!

III

Once you spoke in vision; to your faithful ones you said: "I have set a leader over the warriors; I have raised up a hero from the army.

I have chosen David, my servant; with my holy oil I have anointed him.

My hand will be with him; my arm will make him strong. No enemy shall outwit him, nor shall the wicked defeat him.

I will crush his foes before him, strike down those who hate him. My loyalty and love will be with him; through my name his horn will be exalted.

I will set his hand upon the sea, his right hand upon the rivers. He shall cry to me, 'You are my father, my God, the Rock that brings me victory!'

I myself make him firstborn, Most High over the kings of the earth.

Forever I will maintain my love for him; my covenant with him stands firm.

I will establish his dynasty forever, his throne as the days of the heavens. If his descendants forsake my law, do not follow my decrees,

If they fail to observe my statutes, do not keep my commandments, I will punish their crime with a rod and their guilt with lashes.

But I will not take my love from him, nor will I betray my bond of loyalty.

I will not violate my covenant; the promise of my lips I will not alter.

By my holiness I swore once for all: I will never be false to David. His dynasty will continue forever, his

throne, like the sun before me.

Like the moon it will stand eternal, forever firm like the sky!" Selah

IV

But now you have rejected and spurned, been enraged at your anointed. You renounced the covenant with your servant, defiled his crown in the dust.

You broke down all his defenses, left his strongholds in ruins. All who pass through seize plunder; his neighbors deride him.

You have exalted the right hand of his foes, have gladdened all his enemies. You turned back his sharp sword, did not support him in battle.

You brought to an end his splendor, hurled his throne to the ground. You cut short the days of his youth, covered him with shame. Selah

How long, LORD? Will you stay hidden forever? Must your wrath smolder like fire? Remember how brief is my life, how frail the race you created!

What mortal can live and not see death? Who can escape the power of Sheol? Selah Where are your promises of old, Lord, the loyalty sworn to David?

Remember, Lord, the insults to your servants, how I bear all the slanders of the nations. Your enemies, LORD, insult your anointed; they insult my every endeavor.

Blessed be the LORD forever! Amen and amen!

FUSILEEW

Description: The Fusileew is the fused Omega and Cross-. We are reminded that Jesus is the Alpha and the Omega. Jesus stands at the beginning and the end. The Cross forms the Alpha the beginning of the Greek alphabet, the