

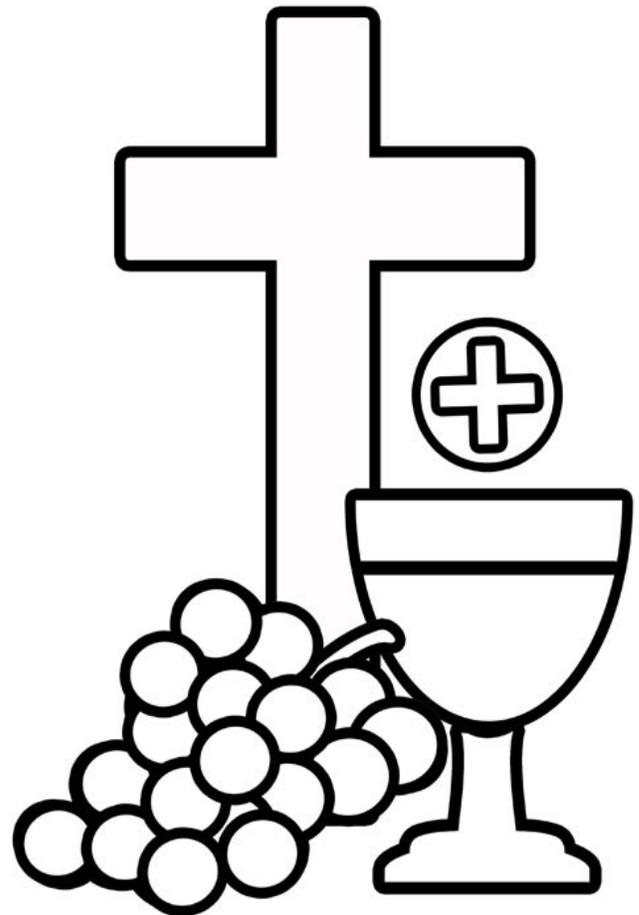
Polka Mass

St. Martin's Lutheran Church,

Annapolis, MD

Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

October 17, 2021



with the Heidelberg Brass Band

Polka Mass Service

Celebration of

Word and Sacrament

(Words spoken/sung by the assembly are in boldface type.)

+ **The Gathering** +

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Helena Polka

arr. Louis Vitak

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross in remembrance of baptism as the presiding minister begins:

In the Name of the Father, and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen

Let us confess our sins, trusting that God will forgive us and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Most Merciful God,

We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you, and for his sake God forgives you all your sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ he gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit.

Amen

Glory to God

(Tune: *Liechtensteiner Polka*)



Yes!



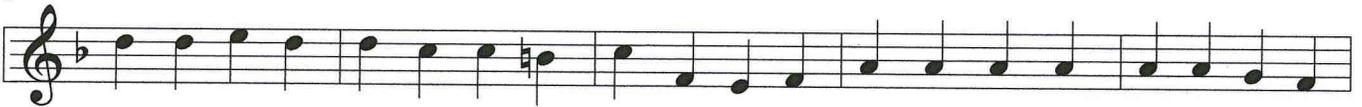
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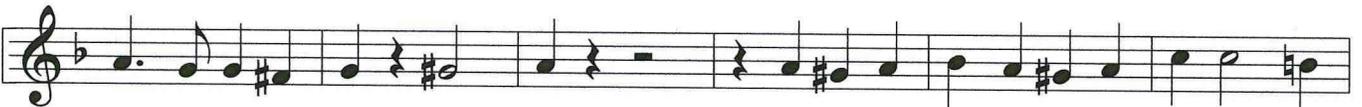
Glo - ry to God! Yes! This is a great day to give glo - ry to



God! Glo - ry to God, my Lord! For when we see the won-drous



good-ness of his grace and love and peace, oh let us thank and praise him dai - ly for it



all so joy - ful - ly! Oh, yes! This is a great day to give glo - ry to

⊕ To Coda



God! Glo - ry to God! My Lord. _____



O God, you are so won-der - ful! Your bless - ings are so



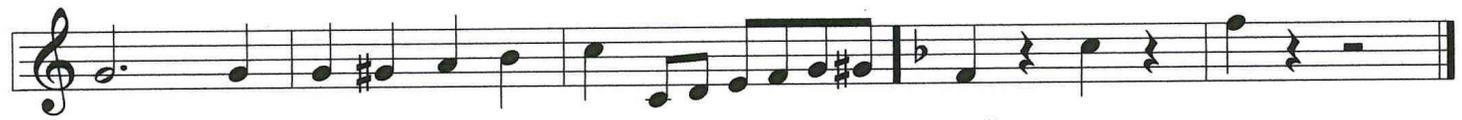
boun - ti - ful!

You gave sal - va - tion thru your Son!



When we were lost and full of sin, your love had set us free!

Your love has set us



free! And we are free in - deed!

Lord!

D.S. al Coda

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray...

Sovereign God, you turn your greatness into goodness for all peoples on earth. Shape us into willing servants of your kingdom, and make us desire always and only your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

The assembly is seated..

THE GOSPEL READING

Mark 10:35-45

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 10th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

The Gospel is proclaimed

³⁵ James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to [Jesus] and said to him, “Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.” ³⁶ And he said to them, “What is it you want me to do for you?” ³⁷ And they said to him, “Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.” ³⁸ But Jesus said to them, “You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?” ³⁹ They replied, “We are able.” Then Jesus said to them, “The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; ⁴⁰ but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.” ⁴¹ When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. ⁴² So Jesus called them and said to them, “You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. ⁴³ But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, ⁴⁴ and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. ⁴⁵ For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.”

The Gospel of our Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ

The assembly is seated

HOMILY

The assembly stands to proclaim the Word of God in song.

Lord, Teach Us How to Love

Tune: Baruska - Bohemian Polka



1. Our — Fa - ther up in hea - ven,
2. Je - sus Christ our Lord and Sa - vior,
3. God of love, O Ho - ly Spi - rit,



hear us as we pray. Take our sins a - way; help us live each day. Thank you for the
 you came down to us. Died up - on the cross to re - deem our loss. Teach us how to
 full of power and might. Keep us in your sight. Teach us wrong from right. Thank you for your



gifts you give us. You care for our needs. When you sent your Son to save us, you showed us you
 love each oth - er as you love us all. Help us fol - low your ex - am - ple, car - ing for each
 love and gra - ces, make us pure and strong. Be our hope and con - so - la - tion. Guide our wea - ry



loved us true. Hear us as we sing your prais - es; help us live our lives for you. Lord,
 oth - ers needs. Show - ing that we all are bro - thers by our ve - ry words and deeds.
 steps to thee. Through your gui - dance we all hope to live with you e - ter - nal - ly!



teach us how to love as we fol - low in your way. Oh, — Lord, teach us how to love



as we fol - low in your way.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

*The assembly is led in prayer with each petition ending, "Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**"*

SHARING THE PEACE

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

The assembly may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace and may say, "Peace be with you."

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray...

Merciful Father, we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us - our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and

Holy, Holy, Holy

(Tune: Blue Skirt Waltz)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly

Lord, God of pow'r and might, hea - ven and earth are

filled, filled with your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high -

est. Bles - sed is He who comes, comes in the name of the

Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth.

In mercy for our fallen world you gave your only Son, that all those who believe in him should not perish, but have eternal life.

We give thanks to you for the salvation you have prepared for us through Jesus Christ.

Send now your Holy Spirit into our hearts, that we may receive our Lord with a living faith as he comes to us in his holy supper.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

In the night in which he was betrayed our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this in remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Eucharistic Acclamation

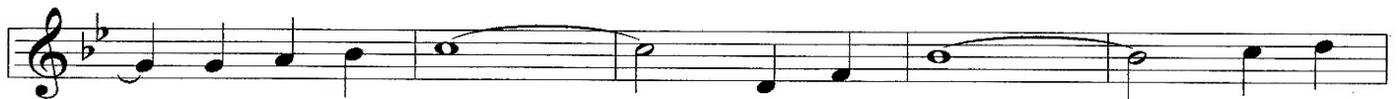
(Tune: Pearly Shells)



Christ has



died; Christ has ri - sen. Christ will come



a - gain for us. Christ has died; Christ is



ri - sen from the dead. Christ will come a - gain for us some - day.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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, forever and ever. Amen

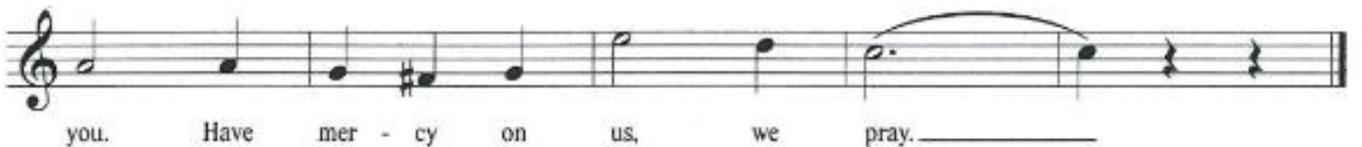
INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The gifts of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God!**

(we will commune together in our seats at the pastor's invitation)

Lamb of God

Tune: Schneewalzer



The assembly stands

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

Amen

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray. Pour out upon us the spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of those whom you have fed with one heavenly food, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

+ **The Sending** +

THE BLESSING

Almighty God, Father + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

Amen

SENDING HYMN

Rise Up, Disciples

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THE DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the good news! **Thanks be to God!**

*(All are invited to the courtyard for our **Oktoberfest!!**)*

POSTLUDE

Happy-Go-Lucky Polka

A.. Hofner

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Rise Up, Disciples

(Tune: Pennsylvania Polka)



1. Rise up, dis - ci - ples, go tell the good news _____

3. Go now, my chil-dren, there's much to be done, _____



that God the Son is ri - sen. _____ Go out, be joy-ful; the King of the Jews _____

for ma - ny still don't know me. _____ Be bold and tell ev' - ry daugh-ter and son _____



has van-quished death's dark pri-son. _____ He came down from hea-ven; he's now ev' - ry - where _____

the won - drous old, old sto-ry. _____ We know it, we feel it, we can't hold it in; _____



as God the Ho - ly Spi - rit, _____
God's love is so e - nor-mous, _____

bring-ing hope to all who hear it, and as for
mov - ing us to raise the cho - rus: Re - joi-ce ye



death, we no long - er fear it.

all for He so a - does us!



2. As we wor - ship, we sing prais - es to the Three in One.



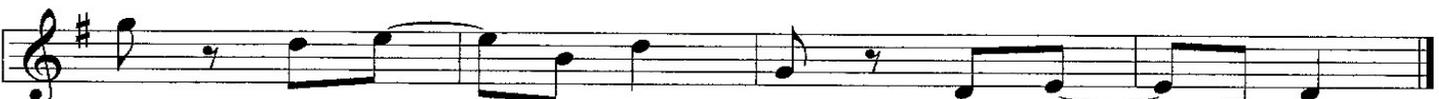
We give thanks to God a - bove for send - ing us His son.



We're so joy - ful, filled with joy be - cause He set us free. Be -



lieve in what you hear; He un - did the nails and spear. He died, He rose and He will come a - gain.



D.S. al Fine

How the Polka Mass came to be...

Since the time he was a seminarian at the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Gettysburg, the Rev. Glenn Beard, Jr. dreamed of having his band perform a Polka Mass. After moving back to his native Lancaster County in the mid-1990s, he began to do some research and put together ideas for the Mass.

Pastor Beard learned about Father Frank Perkovich, a Roman Catholic priest who served several congregations in Minnesota. Fr. Perkovich developed a Polka Mass that quickly became quite popular and he was inducted into the National Polka Hall of Fame because of his work! Fr. Perkovich granted Pr. Beard personal permission to use any or all of his work and inspired Pr. Beard to pursue this work. In 2014, at age 85, Fr. Perkovich celebrated his 60th jubilee with a Polka Mass, of course, in Chisholm, MN. A highlight for Fr. Perkovich was performing the Mass at St. Peter's Basilica in Rome before Pope John Paul II in 1983! "*You Give Us Sunshine*" and "*Lord, Teach Us How to Love*" are from Fr. Perkovich's Mass collection.

Others have had an influence on this Polka Mass as well. "*Such a Day*" and the Hymn of Praise, "*Glory to God*" are from the work of Pastor Edward Battiste who was serving at St. John Lutheran Church, Greenville, Ohio, when Pastor Beard first reached out to him in 1996. The Hymn of Praise, "*Glory to God*," is based on the tune of the *Liechtensteiner Polka*. Pr. Battiste also granted permission and his blessing to use any or all of his work in developing a service.

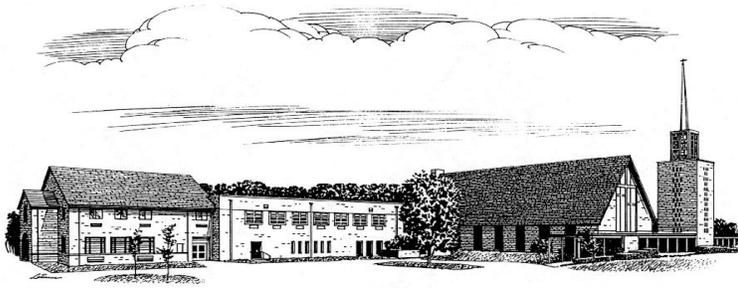
It wasn't until late in the year, in 2014, when movement really took off on putting together the "Polka Mass with the Heidelberg Brass Band." An old friend and former member of the band, Dr. C. Jay Hertzog, came to visit Pr. Beard and was asked to use the organ and accordion music Pr. Beard acquired from Fr. Perkovich and Pr. Battiste, to arrange musical parts for brass band. Pr. Beard's wife, Lisa, learned of this request and lit a fire under Hertzog so that the first draft of this Mass could be performed on Sunday, May 17, 2015, in celebration of Pr. Beard's 25th ordination anniversary, at Trinity Lutheran Church, New Holland, PA.

Dr. Hertzog received considerable assistance from a fellow Lutheran who had originally observed a Polka Mass celebrated at Hope Lutheran Church, Palm Desert, CA. Pastor Carl Witt, Jr., at Hope, first began celebrating a Polka Mass, using familiar tunes, while serving a congregation in Las Vegas, NV. He indicated that it was always one of the most popular worship services of the year. He, too, granted permission for Pr. Beard to use any and all of the material from his service. "*Come Now and Worship*," the Gospel Acclamation, Eucharistic Acclamation and the Holy, Holy, Holy, are from the Mass as celebrated at Hope, Palm Desert, CA. All of these tunes are familiar and popular. Dr. Hertzog had written original lyrics for our use as well.

Lisa Beard wrote original lyrics for the Lamb of God, to the tune of *Edelweiss*, as well as four hymns, "*God of Love*," "*I Love to Go A' Wandering*," "*Rise Up, Disciples*," and "*Let Us Sing*." She spent countless hours organizing the original version of this service and deserves an incredible amount of recognition for her work in making this service a reality.

Brent Snyder, a music educator and a wonderful friend of the Beards from their first parish, was an incredible source of wisdom and guidance as hymns were transposed and reworked for use in this service.

"*Baptized in Water*," "*Psalms 47*" and "*Offertory*" are all written by Pastor Beard.



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Linda Wetz

Ushers (10 a.m.)

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St. Martin's Gardens: An Exciting Garden Project on October 23

Save the date and please join us!

On Saturday, October 23, beginning at 9:30 a.m., we will begin a big garden project and hope you can participate.

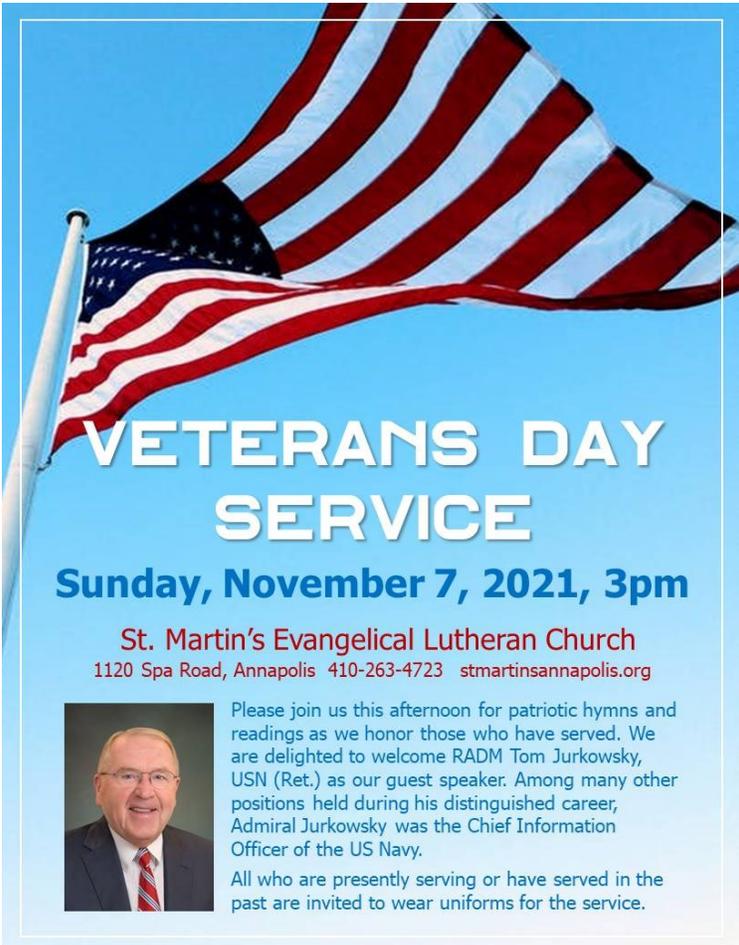
We will plant shrubs and many perennials around the Peace Garden and new Columbarium. We would like about 15 volunteers to help. Families are welcome.

Photos Needed!

Service members (past/present) are encouraged to send pictures for a video montage that will be shown during the Veterans Day Service.

Please send your photos by Nov. 4th with descriptions to Pam Elser, elserpam@gmail.com.

If you have any questions, you may also contact Marianne Drumm at croftondrumms@gmail.com



**VETERANS DAY
SERVICE**

Sunday, November 7, 2021, 3pm

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Please join us this afternoon for patriotic hymns and readings as we honor those who have served. We are delighted to welcome RADM Tom Jurkowsky, USN (Ret.) as our guest speaker. Among many other positions held during his distinguished career, Admiral Jurkowsky was the Chief Information Officer of the US Navy.

All who are presently serving or have served in the past are invited to wear uniforms for the service.