

Caroline Church of Brookhaven

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Lay Ministers for Tonight's Services

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

(5:00 p.m.) Steven Roggemann

(8:00 p.m.) Donald Muffly

(10:00 p.m.) Robert Nalewajk

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(5:00 p.m.) John Lockhart, Andrew Lockhart

(8:00 p.m.) Sam Gonzalez, Jessica Gonzalez

(10:00 p.m.) Jessica Butruch, Brian Hazell

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(5:00 p.m.) Steven Roggemann

(8:00 p.m.) Claire Mis

(10:00 p.m.) J. Christopher Haring

USHERS

(5:00 p.m.) Marshall Irving

(8:00 p.m.) Gary Mis, William Harvey

(10:00 p.m.) Donald Harrison, J. Christopher Haring

INSTRUMENTALIST

Luke Balslov

We thank our Choir Directors, our organist, choir members and the instrumentalists for their beautiful musical offerings this evening.

We also thank the members of the Caroline Guild who decorated the Sanctuary so beautifully.

Caroline Church of Brookhaven

(Episcopal)

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The Right Reverend Lawrence Provenzano

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Staff

Dallas Garvin, Senior Choir Director

Katherine Kaiser, Joyful Noise Choir Director

Bethany Cencer, Organist

Janet M. Giacomini, Rector/Parish Secretary

Nancy O'Neill, Pledge/Giving Records

Mary Doherty, Church School Director

Worship Schedule

Sundays: Holy Eucharist 8:00 a.m.

Family Eucharist and Church School 9:30 a.m.

Holy Eucharist 11:15 a.m.

Morning Prayer 4 times a year (dates TBD) 11:15 a.m.

Holy Eucharist Tuesdays 7:00 p.m.

Holy Eucharist & Sacrament of Healing Thursdays 12:30 p.m.

Healing Service first Friday of the month 7:30 p.m. (*rotating*)

*The Clergy and People of Caroline Church wish you a
blessed Christmas, and welcome you to become a
part of our regular worshipping community.*



sing, and heaven, and heaven and na - ture sing.
 joy, re - peat, re - peat the sound - ing joy.
 found, far as, far as the curse is found.
 love, and won - ders, won - ders of his love.

heaven and na - ture sing,
 peat the sound - ing joy,
 as the curse is found,
 won - ders of his love,

Dismissal

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.
People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Postlude (5:00pm) Chorale Prelude on 'In dulci jubilo' J. S. Bach

**CHRIST
 THE SAVIOR
 IS BORN!**

Festival Holy Eucharist

December 24, 2011

5:00, 8:00 and 10:00 p.m.

Prelude (4:45 p.m.) Christmas Carols (*congregation sings along*)
 Prelude (5:00 p.m.) "Watchman, Tell us of the Night" Lowell Mason/arr. D. Blake
 Prelude (8:00 & 10:00 p.m.) *Selections for trumpet and organ*
The people stand and sing
 Entrance Hymn *O Come, All Ye Faithful* Hymnal 83

1 O come, all ye faith - ful, joy - ful and tri - um - phant, O
 2 God from God, Light from Light e - ter - nal,
 3 Sing, choirs of an - gels, sing in ex - ul - ta - tion,
 *4 See how the shep - herds, sum - moned to his cra - dle,
 *5 Child, for us sin - ners poor and in the man - ger,

1 come ye, O come ye to Beth - le - hem;
 2 lo! he ab - hors not the Vir - gin's womb;
 3 sing, all ye ci - ti - zens of heaven a - bove;
 4 leav - ing their flocks, draw nigh to gaze;
 5 we would em - brace thee, with love and awe;

1 come, and be - hold him, born the King of an - gels;
 2 on - ly - be - got - ten Son of the Fa - ther;
 3 glo - ry to God, glo - ry in the high - est;
 4 we too will thith - er bend our joy - ful foot - steps;
 5 who would not love thee, lov - ing us so dear - ly?

Refrain
 O come, let us a - dore him, O come, let us a -



dore him, O come, let us a - dore him, Christ the Lord.

6 Yea, Lord, we greet thee,
born this happy morning;
Jesus, to thee be glory given;
Word of the Father,
now in flesh appearing;

Refrain

The Liturgy of the Word

Station at the Christmas Creche (at the 5:00 p.m. service)

Celebrant The glory of the Lord has been revealed:
People **And all flesh shall see the salvation of our God.**

Celebrant Let us pray. Almighty and ever living God, you have given us a new revelation of your loving providence in the coming of your son, Jesus Christ, to be born of the Virgin Mary; Grant that as he shared our mortality, so we may share his eternity in the glory of your kingdom; where he lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be his kingdom now and for ever. Amen.**

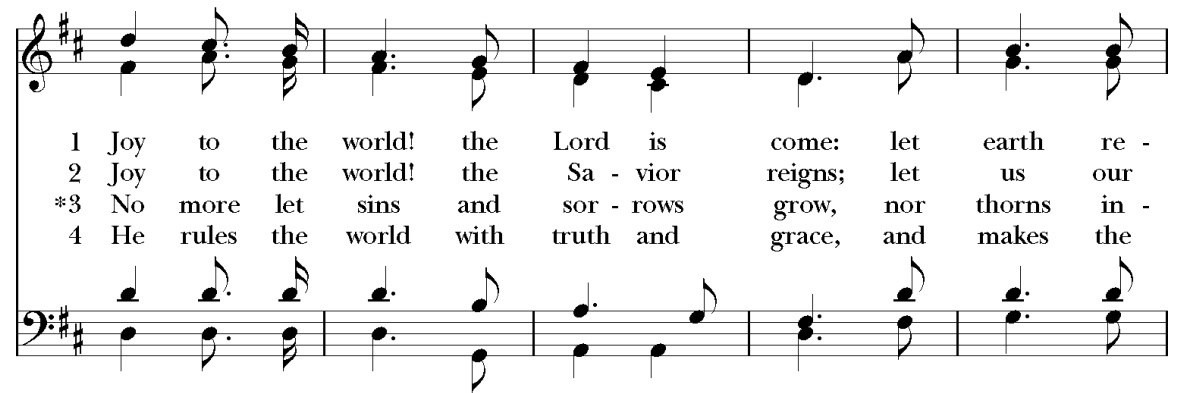
The Collect for Purity

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

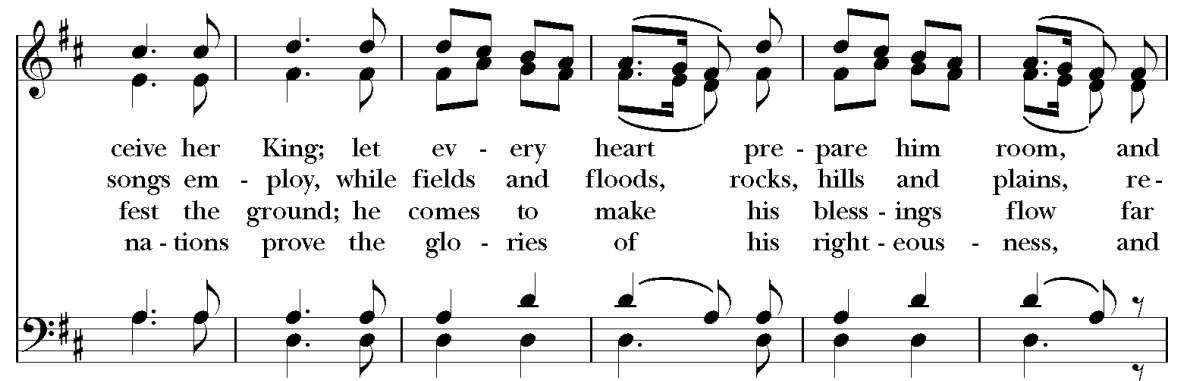
Recessional Hymn
All stand

"Joy To The World!"

Hymn 100



1 Joy to the world! the Lord is come: let earth re -
2 Joy to the world! the Sa - vior reigns; let us our
*3 No more let sins and sor - rows grow, nor thorns in -
4 He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the



ceive her King; let ev - ery heart pre - pare him room, and
songs em - ploy, while fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains, re -
fest the ground; he comes to make his bless - ings flow far
na - tions prove the glo - ries of his right - eous - ness, and



heaven and na - ture sing, and heaven and na - ture
peat the sound - ing joy, re - peat the sound - ing
as the curse is found, far as the curse is
won - ders of his love, and won - ders of his

1 and heaven and na - ture sing, and
2 re - peat the sound - ing joy, re -
3 far as the curse is found, far
4 and won - ders of his love, and

Post Communion Prayer *Remain kneeling*

Celebrant Let us pray

Celebrant and People

**Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Blessing *Remain kneeling*

Celebrant May Almighty God, who sent his son to take our nature upon him, bless you in this holy season, scatter the darkness of sin, and brighten your heart with the light of his holiness.

People **Amen.**

Celebrant May God, who sent his angels to proclaim the glad news of the Savior's birth, fill you with joy, and make you heralds of the Gospel.

People **Amen.**

Celebrant May God, who in the Word made flesh joined heaven to earth and earth to heaven, give you his peace and favor.

People **Amen.**

Celebrant And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever.

People **Amen.**

Gloria in excelsis (S-278)

1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and
peace to his peo-ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven-ly King, al-
might-y God and Fa-ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we
praise you for your glo-ry. 3. Lord Je-sus Christ,
on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us;
5. you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re-
ceive our prayer. 6. For
you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,
7. you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the
Ho-ly Spi-rit, in the glo-ry of
God the Fa-ther. A-men.

The people kneel

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

The Collect for Christmas

The people sit

The Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 9:2-7

After each Reading, the Lector says:

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm:

Psalm 96(sung)



Let the heav-ens re-joyce and let the earth be glad be-fore the Lord, for he has come.



[Refrain-Cantor] Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad before the Lord, for he has come.

- [Choir]
- 1 Sing to the LORD a 'nëw ' song; *
sing to the LORD, ' all the ' wöhle ' earth.
 - 2 Sing to the LORD and ' bless his ' Name; *
proclaim the good news of his sal'vation from ' day to ' day.

- [Congregation]
- 3 Declare his glory a'mong the ' nations *
and his ' wonders a'mong all ' peoples.
 - 4 For great is the LORD and ' greatly to be ' praised; *
he is more to be ' feared than ' äll ' gods.

- [Choir]
- 5 As for all the gods of the nations, ' they are but ' idols; *
but it is the ' LORD who ' made the ' heavens.
 - 6 Oh, the majesty and mag'nificence of his ' presence! *
Oh, the power and the ' splendor ' of his ' sanctuary!

As the lights are dimmed, at the 10:00 p.m. Service, your individual candles are lit.

All kneel

“Silent Night”

Hymnal 111

Si - lent night, ho - ly night, all is calm,
Si - lent night, ho - ly night, shep - herds quake
Si - lent night, ho - ly night, Son of God,

all is bright round yon vir - gin mo - ther and child.
at the sight, glo - ries stream from hea - ven a - far,
love's pure light ra - diant beams from thy ho - ly face,

Ho - ly in - fant, so ten - der and mild, sleep in hea - ven - ly
heaven - ly hosts— sing al - le - lu - ia; Christ, the Sa - vior, is
with the dawn of re - deem - ing grace, Je - sus, Lord, at thy

peace. Sleep in hea - ven - ly peace.
born! Christ, the Sa - vior, is born!
birth. Je - sus, Lord, at thy birth.

Please carefully extinguish your individual candles and leave in the pew.

near the earth to touch their harps of gold:
 mu - sic floats o'er all the wea - ry world;
 hymn have rolled two thou - sand years of wrong;
 cir - cling years shall come the time fore - told,

“Peace on the earth, good will to men, from
 a - bove its sad and low - ly plains they
 and war - ring hu - man - kind hears not the
 when peace shall o - ver all the earth its

heaven's all - gra - cious King.” The world in sol - emn
 bend on hov - ering wing, and ev - er o'er its
 tid - ings which they bring; O hush the noise and
 an - cient splen - dors fling, and all the world give

still - ness lay to hear the an - gels sing.
 Ba - bel - sounds the bless - ed an - gels sing.
 cease your strife and hear the an - gels sing!
 back the song which now the an - gels sing.

[Congregation] 7 Ascribe to the LORD, you ' families of the peoples; *
 ascribe to the ' LÖRD ' honor and ' power.
 8 Ascribe to the LORD the honor ' due his ' Name; *
 bring offerings and ' come in'to his ' courts.

[Choir] 9 Worship the LORD in the ' beauty of ' holiness; *
 let the ' whole earth ' tremble be'fore him.
 10 Tell it out among the nations: “The ' LORD is ' King! *
 he has made the world so firm that it cannot be moved;
 he will ' judge the ' peoples with ' equity.”

[Congregation] 11 Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad;
 let the sea thunder and ' all that is ' in it; *
 let the field be joyful and ' all that ' is there'in.
 12 Then shall all the trees of the wood shout for joy
 before the ' LORD when he ' comes, *
 when he ' comes to ' judge the ' earth.

[Choir] 13 He will judge the ' world with ' righteousness *
 and the ' peoples ' with his ' truth.

[Congregation and Choir]
 Glory to the Father, and ' to the ' Son, *
 and ' to the ' Holy ' Spirit:
 As it was in the be'ginning, is now, *
 and ' will be for'ever. A'men.

[Refrain-Cantor] Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad before the Lord,
 for he has come.

The Epistle: Titus 2:11-14

Sequence Anthem

All sit

Joyful Noise Choir (5:00 p.m.) “Riu, Riu, Chiu” arr. Audrey Snyder
 Senior Choir (8:00 and 10:00 p.m.) “Glory to God” G. F. Handel

Then, all standing, the Priest reads the Gospel, first saying:

Gospeler The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
 People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

The Holy Gospel: Luke 2:1-20

At the end of the Gospel, the Priest says

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

All sit

The Rev. Dr. Richard D. Visconti

The Nicene Creed

All stand

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:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.

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 and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one 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.

snow had fal - len, snow on snow, snow on snow,
in the bleak mid - win - ter a sta - ble - place suf - ficed
but his mo - ther on - ly, in her maid - en bliss,
if I were a wise - man, I would do my part;

in the bleak mid - win - ter, long a - go.
the Lord God in - car - nate, Je - sus Christ.
wor - shiped the be - lov - ed with a kiss.
yet what I can I give him - give my heart.

"It Came Upon The Midnight Clear"

Hymn 89

1 It came up - on the mid - night clear, that
2 Still through the clov - en skies they come with
3 Yet with the woes of sin and strife the
4 For lo! the days are haste - ning on, by

glo - rious song of old, from an - gels bend - ing
peace - ful wings un - furled, and still their heaven - ly
world has suf - fered long; be - neath the heaven - ly
pro - phets seen of old, when with the ev - er -

1 was that mo - ther mild, — Je - sus Christ her lit - tle child. —
 2 poor, the scorned, the low - ly, lived on earth our Sa - vior ho - ly.
 3 child, our Lord and bro - ther, brought us love for one an - oth - er.
 4 feels for all our sad - ness, and he shares in all our glad - ness.
 5 leads his chil - dren on — to the place where he is gone. —
 6 veiled to faith - ful eye, — set at God's right hand on high. —

"In The Bleak Mid Winter"

Hymn 112

1 In the bleak mid - win - ter, frost - y wind made moan,
 2 Our God, heaven can - not hold him, nor — earth sus - tain;
 3 An - gels and arch - an - gels may have gath - ered there,
 4 What — can I give him, poor — as I am?

earth stood hard as i - ron, wa - ter like a stone;
 heaven and earth shall flee a - way when he comes to reign:
 cher - u - bim and se - ra - phim throng - ed the air;
 If I were a shep - herd, I would bring a lamb;

The Prayers of the People

All kneel

Reader Let us pray for the Church and for the world. Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. *Silence*

Reader Lord, in your mercy
People **Hear our prayer.**

Reader Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. *Silence*

Reader Lord, in your mercy
People **Hear our prayer.**

Reader Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory. *Silence*

Reader Lord, in your mercy
People **Hear our prayer.**

Reader Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. *Silence*

Reader Lord, in your mercy
People **Hear our prayer.**

Reader Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. *Silence*

Reader Lord, in your mercy
People **Hear our prayer.**

Reader We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.
Silence

Reader Lord, in your mercy
People **Hear our prayer.**

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Confession of Sin

All kneel

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

People **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.**

Celebrant 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.

People **Amen**

The Peace

All stand

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

The Holy Communion

The Offertory

People stand for the Hymn and sit for the Anthem

Offertory Anthem:

Joyful Noise Choir Anthem (5:00 p.m.) "Torches" John Joubert

Senior Choir Anthem (8:00 and 10:00 p.m.) "Patapan" arr. Martin Shaw

The Doxology *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*

All stand

Hymnal 380 v. 3

Communion Anthems:

Joyful Noise Choir Anthem (5:00 p.m.) "How Far Is It To Bethlehem" arr. Marie Pooler
Senior Choir Anthem (8:00 and 10:00 p.m.) "Nativity Carol" John Rutter

Communion Hymns

"Once In Royal David's City"

Hymn 102

1 Once in roy - al Da - vid's ci - ty stood a
2 He came down to earth from hea - ven, who is
*3 We, like Ma - ry, rest con - found - ed that a
4 For he is our life - long pat - tern; dai - ly,
*5 And our eyes at last shall see him, through his
6 Not in that poor low - ly sta - ble, with the

1 low - ly cat - tle shed, where a mo - ther laid her
2 God and Lord of all, and his shel - ter was a
3 sta - ble should dis - play hea - ven's Word, the world's cre -
4 when on earth he grew, he was tempt - ed, scorned, re -
5 own re - deem - ing love; for that child who seemed so
6 ox - en stand - ing round, we shall see him; but in

1 ba - by in a man - ger for his bed: Ma - ry
2 sta - ble, and his cra - dle was a stall; with the
3 a - tor, cra - dled there on Christ - mas Day, yet this
4 ject - ed, tears and smiles like us he knew. Thus he
5 help - less is our Lord in heaven a - bove; and he
6 hea - ven, where his saints his throne sur - round: Christ, re -

The people kneel. Then the Celebrant continues

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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 he 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."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

Celebrant and People: **We praise you, we bless you,
we give thanks to you,
and we pray to you, Lord our God.**

The Celebrant continues

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

Remember Bishop Lawrence Provenzano, the Clergy of Caroline Church, and all who minister in your Church. Remember all your people, and those who seek your truth. Remember all who have died in the peace of Christ, and those whose faith is known to you alone; bring them into the place of eternal joy and light.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever.

People **Amen.**

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

**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.**

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

