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ASCENSION OF OUR LORD

MAY 20, 2012

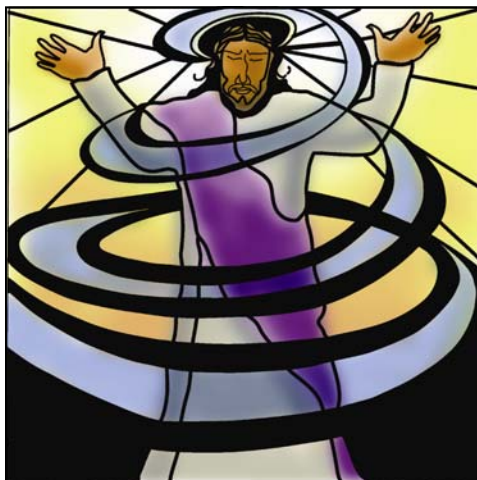
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+ GATHERING +

Please take this opportunity to silence mobile phones and devices and prepare yourself for worship.

WELCOME

PRELUDE

Before he is lifted into heaven, Jesus promises that the missionary work of the disciples will spread out from Jerusalem to all the world. His words provide an outline of the book of Acts.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

The assembly stands. All may make the sign of the cross(+), the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who gives us a new birth into a living hope, who raises us with Christ from death, who fills us with the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Let us repent of our sin and claim the promise of God.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Living God,
we confess before you and one another our futile ways, our pursuit of perishable things, our own part in crucifying the Lord Jesus. Forgive us, O God; renew the face of the earth; and give us the assurance that you have rescued us from the power of sin and made us alive in the Spirit forever.
Amen.

Christ suffered for sins once for all in order to bring you to God. Now you are God's people; now you have received mercy. In the name of the risen + Lord Jesus, I declare to you that your sins are forgiven. Lay aside guilt, put away shame, for you are chosen and precious in God's sight. Live in the marvelous light of Christ. **Amen.**

ENTRANCE HYMN

Hymnal # 393

A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing!

GREETING

Alleluia! Christ is risen!
Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

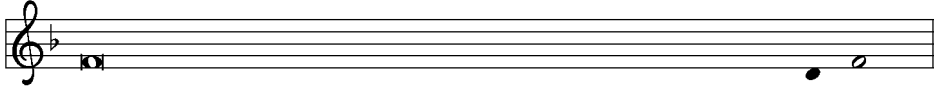
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all:
And also with you.

The presiding minister blesses the congregation and the congregation responds by wishing the pastor the same

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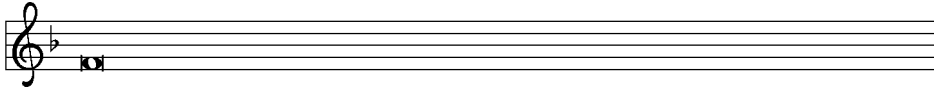
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



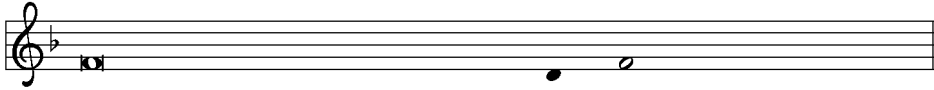
For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



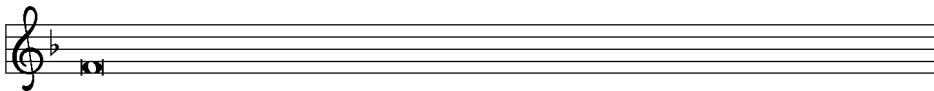
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



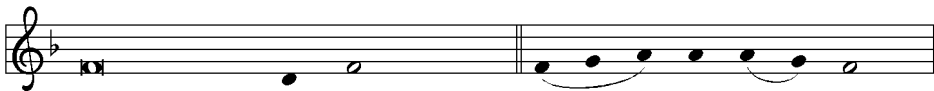
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



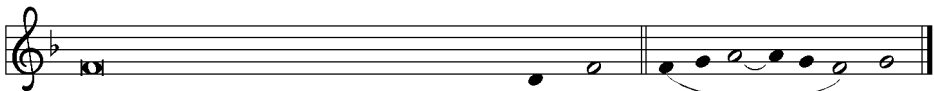
Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. **A - men.**

HYMN OF PRAISE

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb

who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 2 Pow - er, rich-es, wis - dom, and

strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of

God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,



glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.


Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,




al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 4 For the Lamb who was



slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

Final refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

After the prayer the assembly responds: Amen.

The assembly is seated.

+ WORD +

FIRST READING Luke 24:44–53

Holy Bible page 861

Response after the conclusion of the first and second readings: Thanks be to God.

The sermon is an exposition on the scripture lessons. It is offered to help us make connections between God's word and our lives. This can take a variety of other forms, such as a dialog, drama, or cantata.

The Hymn of the Day is the chief hymn of the service. It is a comment on the readings and sermon, and continues the theme of the day.

The peace which enables us to live in unity and the spirit of mutual forgiveness comes only from Christ whose Word has been proclaimed and whose meal we now prepare to share. Sharing the peace is a symbol of our intention to live in such unity.

SECOND READING Acts 1:1–11

Holy Bible page 884

SERMON

Pastor Malloy

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

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

HYMN OF THE DAY

Hymnal # 392

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

HOLY BAPTISM

Hymnal page 227



PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

*Each portion of the prayers ends: Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.***

*The prayers conclude: .through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.***

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

The people greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, saying, "Peace be with you."

The assembly is seated.

+ MEAL +

GATHERING OF GIFTS

An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need. During this time, the table is set.

MUSICAL OFFERING

Trinity Choir

“Go forth and tell!” – David Ogden

Go forth and tell! O Church of God awake! God’s saving news to all the nations take; proclaim Christ Jesus, Saviour Lord and King, that all the world his worthy praise may sing. Go forth and tell! God’s love embraces all; he will in grace respond to all who call: how shall they call if they have never heard the gracious invitation of his word? Go forth and tell where still the darkness lies; in wealth or want the sinner surely dies: give us, O Lord, concern for heart and mind, a love like yours which cares for humankind. Go forth and tell! The doors are open wide: share God’s good gifts let no one be denied; live out your life as Christ your Lord shall choose, your ransomed powers for his sole glory use. Go forth and tell! O Church of God arise! Go in the strength which Christ your Lord supplies. Go till all nations his great name adore and serve him, Lord and King for evermore. Amen.

Our gifts of money and the bread and wine symbolize all that we offer in response to God’s grace in Christ.

After the musical offering, the assembly stands and sings while the gifts are brought forward by the ushers.

OFFERING PRAYER

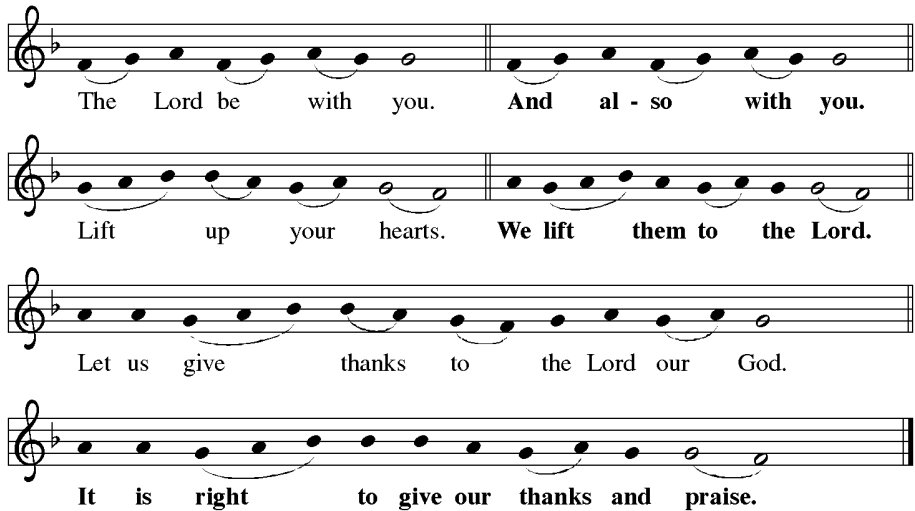
The prayer concludes: ... our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;

praise him above, ye heav'nly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The presiding minister and congregation bless each other, and we lift our hearts to give our attention to God. These are among the oldest words in our service of Holy Communion.



The Lord be with you. And al - so 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, ... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

The presiding minister continues, ending:

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



The presiding minister continues, ending:

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.



LORD'S PRAYER

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

The Eucharistic Prayer, including the words Jesus used in instituting the Lord's supper, reminds us of God's wonderful works, invites us to receive the sacrament, and asks for the Holy Spirit to bless us.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The assembly may be seated.

COMMUNION

The sacrament of Holy Communion is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ under the bread and wine, instituted by Christ himself for us to eat and drink.

Our Lord Jesus Christ, present in this meal, invites you to his table. Communion is celebrated by Intinction. Receive the wafer in your hand and then dip it in the wine.

Come forward at the instruction of the ushers. Communion is served continuously, starting with those seated in the transepts. Communicants are invited to come forward to the altar rail, where you may kneel or stand, to receive communion. After you have received, you may return to your seats. If you need communion brought to you, please inform an usher.

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say: The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you. and each person may respond Amen.



All are encouraged to join singing the Communion hymns.

THE DISCIPLES KNEW THE LORD JESUS

Cantor or Choir




The dis - ci-ples knew the Lord Je - sus in the break-ing of the bread.

Assembly




The dis - ci-ples knew the Lord Je - sus in the break-ing of the bread.

Cantor or Choir



The bread which we break, al-le - lu - ia, is the com-mu-nion of the bod - y of Christ.

Assembly



The dis - ci-ples knew the Lord Je - sus in the break-ing of the bread.

Cantor or Choir



One bo-dy are we, al - le - lu - ia, though man - y we share one bread.

Assembly



The dis - ci-ples knew the Lord Je - sus in the break-ing of the bread.

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During the Easter season, we are singing "The Disciples Knew the Lord Jesus" in place of the traditional canticle "Lamb of God."

COMMUNION HYMNS

*Beautiful Savior
Thine the Amen*

*Hymnal # 838
Hymnal # 826*

*After all have returned to their places, the assembly stands.
The presiding minister may say a table blessing, and the assembly responds **Amen.***

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*Response after the prayer: **Amen.***

+ SENDING +

SENDING OF EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*This blessing
prepares us to
continue our
mission as
Christian people
in the world. The
Sign of the Cross
(+) may be made
by all as a
reminder of
Christ in whose
name we are
baptized and
live.*

BLESSING

Almighty God, who raised our Lord Jesus from death,
lift you up and restore you to wholeness.

Amen.

Jesus Christ, the Word of life,
bless you and send you to be his witnesses.

Amen.

God the Holy Spirit, who renews the whole earth,
refresh you in the gift of baptism this day and always.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN

Rejoice, for Christ Is King

Hymnal # 430

DISMISSAL

*Response: **Thanks be to God.***

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TODAY'S READINGS

Sunday, May 20, 2012

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty and eternal God, your Son our Savior is with you in eternal glory. Give us faith to see that, true to his promise, he is among us still, and will be with us to the end of time; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

FIRST READING: Luke 24:44–53

⁴⁴Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you — that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." ⁴⁵Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, ⁴⁶and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, ⁴⁷and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸You are witnesses of these things. ⁴⁹And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high."

⁵⁰Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. ⁵¹While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. ⁵²And they worshiped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; ⁵³and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

SECOND READING: Acts 1:1–11

In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning ²until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. ³After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. ⁴While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. "This," he said, "is what you have heard from me; ⁵for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."

⁶So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" ⁷He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. ⁸But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." ⁹When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. ¹⁰While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. ¹¹They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."