

THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 19, 2026

THE HOLY EUCHARIST -- RITE II -- 9:30 A.M.

The Organ Prelude

“Sicilienne”

Gabriel Fauré

Please help maintain an atmosphere of silence during The Prelude,
for prayer, reflection and preparation.

The Processional Hymn

“Hail Thee, Festival Day”

descant, final time




Hail thee, fes - ti - val day! blest day to be hal - lowed for ev - er,


Refrain Melody



Hail thee, fes - ti - val day! blest day to be hal - lowed for ev - er,



day when our Lord was raised, break - ing the king - dom of death.



day when our Lord was raised, break - ing the king - dom of death.



1. All the fair beau - ty of earth, from the death of the win - ter a - ris - ing!
3. God the Al - might - y, the Lord, the Rul - er of earth and the heav - ens,
5. Spir - it of life and of pow'r, now flow in us, fount of our be - ing,



Ev - 'ry good gift of the year now with its Mas - ter re - turns:
guard us from harm with - out; cleanse us from e - vil with - in:
light that en - light - ens us all, life that in all may a - bide;



2. Rise from the grave now, O Lord, the au - thor of life and cre - a - tion.
4. Je - sus, the health of the world, en - light - en our minds, great Re - deem - er,
6. Praise to the giv - er of good! O lov - er and au - thor of con - cord,



Tread - ing the path - way of death, new life you give to us all: _____
Son of the Fa - ther su - preme, on - ly be - got - ten of God: _____
pour out your balm on our days; or - der our ways in your peace: _____

TEXT: Venantius Honorius Fortunatus, 540?-600?; tr. *English Hymnal*, 1906, alt.

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LITURGY OF THE WORD

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

The Collect for Purity

ALL: 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.

Gloria in Excelsis

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace__ to his peo-ple on
earth. 2. Lord God, heav'n-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.

TEXT: Canticle 20, Glory to God: *Gloria in excelsis*. TUNE: Robert Powell, born 1932.
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The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

***People:* And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

silence is kept

O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

***ALL:* Amen.**

The First Lesson

Acts 2:14a, 22-32

Reader: A reading from Acts, chapter 2, verses 14a, and 22 through 32:

Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, "Let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified."

Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, "Brothers, what should we do?" Peter said to them, "Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him." And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, "Save yourselves from this corrupt generation." So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

***People:* Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm

Psalm 116:1-3, 10-17

Leader: Our response to the First Lesson is Psalm 16. We will read responsively by half-verse.

- 1 I love God, because God has heard the voice of my supplication, *
and has inclined God's ear to me whenever I called upon God.
- 2 The cords of death entangled me; the grip of the grave took hold of me; *
I came to grief and sorrow.
- 3 Then I called upon the Name of God: *
"O God, I pray you, save my life."

- 10 How shall I repay God *
for all the good things God has done for me?
- 11 I will lift up the cup of salvation *
and call upon the Name of God.
- 12 I will fulfill my vows to God *
in the presence of all God's people.
- 13 Precious in the sight of God *
is the death of God's servants.
- 14 O God, I am your servant; *
I am your servant and the child of your handmaid;
you have freed me from my bonds.
- 15 I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving *
and call upon the Name of God.
- 16 I will fulfill my vows to God *
in the presence of all God's people,
17 in the courts of God's house, *
in the midst of you, O Jerusalem. Hallelujah!

The Gradual Song

"Uyai Mose"

Shona song from Zimbabwe

Sing in either language, or another.

The musical score consists of two systems, each with a vocal line and a bass line. The key signature is three sharps (F#, C#, G#) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are written below the notes.

System 1:

Vocal line: U - ya - i mo - se, ti - na - ma - te Mwa - ri.
 Come, all you peo - ple, come and praise your Mak - er.

Bass line: A-hom, A-hom,

System 2:

Vocal line: U - ya - i mo - se, ti - na - ma - te Mwa - ri.
 Come, all you peo - ple, come and praise your Mak - er.

Bass line: A-hom, A-hom,

U - ya - i mo - se, ti - na - ma - te Mwa - ri.
Come, all you peo - ple, come and praise your Mak - er.

A-hom, A-hom,

U - ya - i mo - se zvi - no.
Come now and wor - ship the Lord.

A-hom, A-hom, A-hom.

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The Second Lesson

1 Peter 1:17-23

Reader: A reading from the first letter of Peter, chapter 1, verses 17 through 23:

If you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile. You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God.

Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love, love one another deeply from the heart. You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Sequence Hymn

"Who Are You Who Walk in Sorrow"

1. Who are you who walk in sor - row down Em - ma - us' bar - ren road,
2. Who is this who joins our jour - ney, walk - ing with us stride by stride?
3. Who are we who trav - el with you on our way through life to death?
4. "Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! is the Eas - ter hymn we sing!

hearts dis - traught and hope de - feat - ed, bent be - neath grief's crush - ing load?
 Un - known Strang - er, can you fath - om depths of grief for one who died?
 Wom - en, men, the young, the ag - ing, wak - ened by the Spir - it's breath!
 Take our life, our joy, our wor - ship as the gift of love we bring.

Name-less mourn - ers, we will join you, we who al - so mourn our dead.
 Then the won - der! When we told you how our dreams to dust have turned,
 At the font you claim and name us, born of wa - ter and the Word.
 You have formed us all one peo - ple called from ev - 'ry land and race.

We have stood by graves un - yield - ing, eat - en death's bare, bit - ter bread.
 then you o - pened wide the Scrip - tures till our hearts with - in us burned!
 At the ta - ble still you feed us, host us as our Ris - en Lord!
 Make your church your ser - vant. Bod - y sent to share your heal - ing grace!

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The Holy Gospel

Luke 24:13-35

Priest: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Now on that same day two of Jesus' disciples were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place.

Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him.” Then he said to them, “Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?” Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, “Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.” So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, “Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?” That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, “The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!” Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

Mother Mary Ellen Cassini, Associate Rector

Moments for Meditation *seated*

The Nicene Creed

**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 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 Prayers of the People

The congregation may sit, stand or kneel.

Jesus, our way, our truth, our life, be with us and all who follow you in the way, deepen our appreciation of your truth, and fill us with your life. We pray for the ministers of our church: the laity; Mary Ellen, our Priest; Peter, our Bishop; Moisés, Laish and Samitiana, Bishops of our Companion Dioceses; Sean, our Presiding Bishop; and Sarah, Archbishop of Canterbury. We pray for those having birthdays and anniversaries.

Jesus, Lord of life,
in your mercy, hear us.

Jesus, bread of life, give food to the hungry and nourish us all with your word. We pray for the outreach and mission activities of our parish: for the outreach activities at Holy Redeemer Church; Good Jean Fahay, evangelist at St. Joseph's, in Madagascar; Our Little Roses Home for Girls, in Honduras; all efforts to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals; and for Episcopal Charities. We pray for the people who live in Belarus, Moldova, Russia, Ukraine and Haiti, especially our mission partners in the South Florida Haiti Project.

Jesus, Lord of life,
in your mercy, hear us.

Jesus, light of the world, bring the light and peace of your gospel to the nations. We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world. We pray for Donald, our President, and Ron, our Governor.

Jesus, Lord of life,
in your mercy, hear us.

Jesus, Good Shepherd who gave your life for the sheep, recover the straggler, bind up the injured, strengthen the sick and lead the healthy and strong to new pastures. Please pray with me the first names of those in our parish family in need of healing. We pray for:

Flo Pulda	Evelyn Weicker	Tim Bice	Ethel Abbott
Calvin Schofield, bishop	Mary Ann Kondras	Luci Fenske	Jean Thurber
Nancy Horan	Jim Rusciano	Bob Garraway	Rosemary Cox
Lupe Eyde	Terri Adams	Gloria Garraway	Ellen Newell
Lorraine Baker	Joanne Antonucci	Kim Genovese	Joyce Perez
Harvey Russell	Cheryl May	Kyle May	Verna Walters
Pam Sterling	Wayne Crum	Dottie Williams	Jerry Guthrie
Staniel Green	Stanley Walters	Johnny Eastham	Arturo Wittman
Lynda Shaffer	Leila Marconi	Gail Drane	Heather Duncan
	Anne Bright	Caryl Russell	

Jesus, Lord of life,
in your mercy, hear us.

Jesus, the resurrection and the life, we give you thanks for all who have lived and believed in you. We pray for those who have died.

Raise us with them to eternal life.

REPOSE OF THE SOUL:

Jesus, Lord of life,
in your mercy, hear us.

Together let us pray the Prayer of Transition for St. Joseph's Parish:

Bless with your wisdom those of the Search Committee as they work to help us choose a wise shepherd to be our new priest, ready to serve with joy, build us up in faith, and lead by example in loving obedience to our Savior, Jesus Christ.

Jesus, Lord of life,
in your mercy, hear us, accept our prayers, and be with us always. Amen.

The Confession of Sin

Priest: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

ALL: 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.

Priest: 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.

ALL: Amen.

The Peace

Book of Common Prayer

Celebrant: Let us pray for peace among the nations of our world.

***People:* Almighty God our heavenly Father, guide the nations of the world into the way of justice and truth, and establish among them that peace which is the fruit of righteousness, that they may become the kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.**

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

***People:* And also with you.**

The Peace is then exchanged.

The Welcome and Announcements

Thanksgiving for the Stewardship of Volunteering

Celebrant: Gift-giving God, we come before you with grateful hearts for the many volunteers in our faith community who so willingly offer their gifts of time, talent, presence and energy in service to others – for those who are visible during our times of being together in worship and fellowship, and for those who work behind the scenes and out in the wider community. Thank you for blessing them abundantly with selfless Christ-like love. Continue to strengthen them in their work with a sense of your joy and peace. May they feel appreciated and know that their contributions are seen and valued.

ALL: Amen.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

The Offertory

The food brought forward at the Offertory is donated to our outreach at Holy Redeemer Episcopal Church. Please place non-perishable food items in the baskets behind the last pew each Sunday.

The Offertory Anthem

“Hear Now My Prayer, O God”

Jacob Arcadelt

Parish Choir

The Doxology

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
 praise God, all creatures here be - low;
 praise God a - bove, ye heav'n - ly host;
 praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

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The Eucharistic Prayer

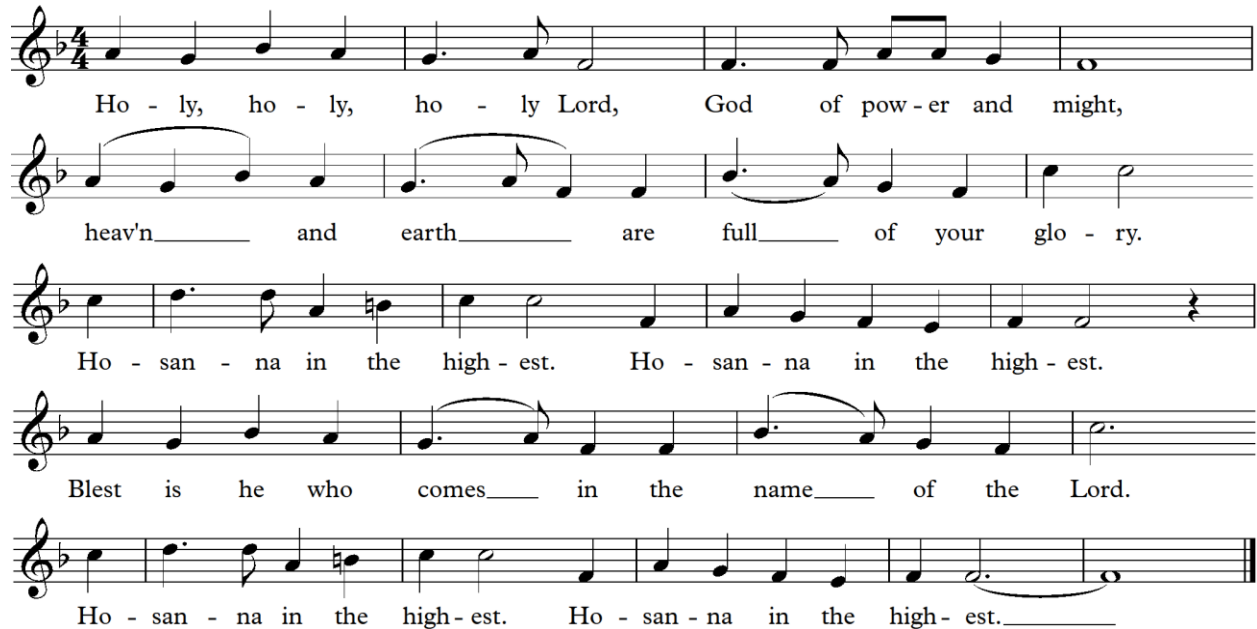
Celebrant The Lord be with you. *People* And also with you.
Celebrant Lift up your hearts. *People* We lift them to the Lord.
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give him thanks and praise.

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Celebrant: It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy.

But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:



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.
Blest is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

TEXT: The Holy Eucharist II, Holy, Holy, Holy Lord: *Sanctus*. TUNE: From *A Community Mass*; Richard Proulx, b.1937.
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The congregation may sit, stand or kneel.

Celebrant: Holy, living and loving God we praise you for creating the heavens and the earth. We bless you for bringing Noah and his family through the waters of the flood, for freeing your people Israel from the bonds of slavery, and for sending your Son to be our Redeemer. We give you thanks for Jesus who living among us, healed the sick, fed the hungry and with a love stronger than death, gave his life for others.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord 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 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."

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Sung twice



Christ has died, Christ is ris - en, Christ will come a - gain.

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Celebrant: Remembering, therefore, his life-giving death and glorious resurrection, we await your promised life for all this dying world.

Breathe your Spirit on us and on this bread and cup: carry us in your arms from death to life, that we may live as your chosen ones, clothed in the righteousness of Christ.

Through him all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.


Sung twice



A - men, a - men, a - - - men!

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



Our Fa - ther, which art in heav - en, hal-low-ed be Thy
name. Thy king - dom come, Thy will be
done on earth as it is in heav - en.

Give us this day our dai - ly bread, and for -

give us our debts as we for-give our debt - ors. And lead us not in - to temp

ta - tion, but de - liv - er us from e - vil; for Thine is the king - dom, and the

pow - er, and the Glo - ry for - ev - er.

A - - men.

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The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Fraction

“Lamb of God”

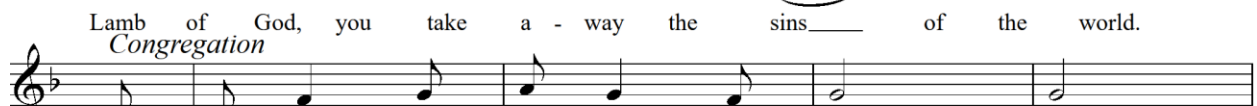
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Cantor




Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins___ of the world.

Congregation



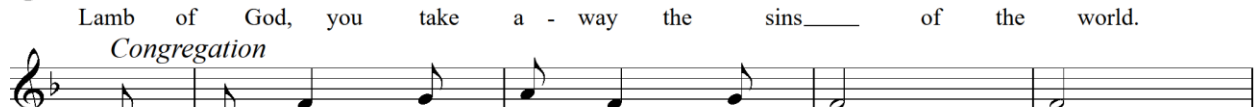
Have mer - cy, have mer - cy on us._____

Cantor



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins___ of the world.

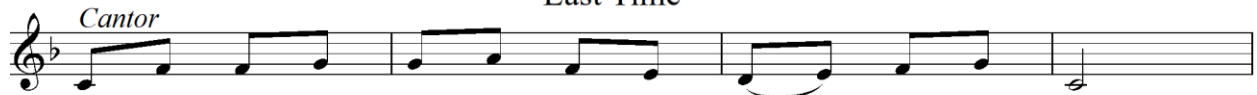
Congregation



Have mer - cy, have mer - cy on us._____

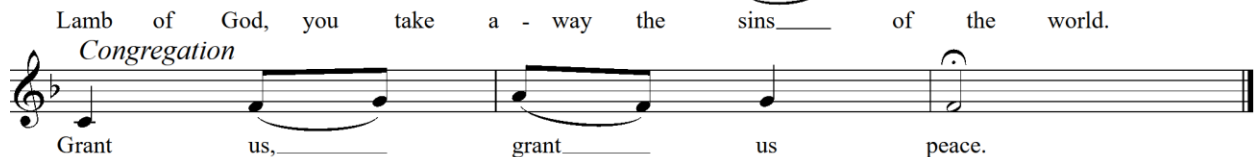
Last Time

Cantor



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins___ of the world.

Congregation



Grant us,_____ grant_____ us peace.

Celebrant: 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 baptized persons are welcome at the Lord's table to receive His Body and Blood in the form of the consecrated bread and wine.**
- *If you are unable to come to the altar rail for communion, please tell an usher when he or she reaches your pew that you would like Communion brought to you. The appropriate response after receiving the bread and the wine is "Amen."*
- *The host may be received on the tongue or in your hands. Please extend your open palms, one hand over the other, to receive in your hands.*
- *If you prefer to have the host intincted in the wine chalice rather than drinking from the cup, please receive the host into your hands and let it remain there. The chalice bearer will dip the host into the wine for you.*

- **All baptized children are welcome to receive Communion.** *If you desire that your child or children do not receive communion, please ask them to cross their hands over their hearts to receive a blessing.*
- *If you prefer not to receive Communion, and wish to receive a blessing instead, hands crossed over your heart will indicate this to the clergy or Altar server.*

Would you like prayers for your special intention?

See the “Daughters of the King,” an official prayer ministry within our church, in the Lady Chapel. After receiving communion, go to the Lady Chapel (to the left facing the front of the church), where members of the Daughters are ready to offer confidential prayer for any of your needs – illness, healing, support, safe travel, or thanksgiving.

The St. Margaret Portable Prayer Wall

Next to the piano is The St. Margaret Prayer Wall. Sit for a few moments behind it and, when you’re ready, write down a prayer and seal it in one of the envelopes. Your prayer will not be seen by others – it is between you and God. When an envelope has been sealed, a new empty envelope will be pasted on top of it, allowing the wall to grow over days, months, and even years.

The Communion Hymns

“Christ Has Risen While Earth Slumbers”

1. Christ has ris-en while earth slum-bers; Christ has ris - en where hope died,
 2. Christ has ris-en for the peo - ple whom he died to love and save;
 3. Christ has ris-en and for - ev - er lives to chal-lenge and to change

as he said and as he prom-ised, as we doubt-ed and de - nied.
 Christ has ris - en for the wom - en bring - ing flow'rs to grace his grave.
 all whose lives are messed or man-gled, all who find re - li - gion strange.

Let the moon em - brace the bless - ing; let the sun sus - tain the cheer;
 Christ has ris - en for dis - ci - ples hud - dled in an up - stairs room.
 Christ is ris - en, Christ is pres - ent mak - ing us what he has been:

let the world con - firm the ru - mor: Christ is ris - en, God is here!
 He whose word in - spired cre - a - tion can't be si - lenced by the tomb.
 ev - i - dence of trans - for ma - tion in which God is known and seen.

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"Hymn of Promise"

In unison

1. In the bulb there is a flow - er; in the seed, an ap - ple tree;
 2. There's a song in ev - 'ry si - lence, seek - ing word and mel - o - dy;
 3. In our end is our be - gin - ning; in our time, in - fin - i - ty;

in co - coons, a hid - den prom - ise: but - ter - flies will soon be free!
 there's a dawn in ev - 'ry dark - ness, bring - ing hope to you and me.
 in our doubt there is be - liev - ing; in our life, e - ter - ni - ty.

Optional 4-part harmony

In the cold and snow of win - ter there's a spring that waits to be,
 From the past will come the fu - ture; what it holds, a mys - ter - y,
 In our death, a res - ur - rec - tion; at the last, a vic - to - ry,

un - re - vealed un - til its sea - son, some - thing God a - lone can see.

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*When the Sacraments are to be taken to the ill or infirmed  
following the service, the commendation follows:*

*Celebrant:* In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

***People:* We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.**

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The Post-Communion Prayer

Celebrant: Let us pray.

***ALL:* Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

The Blessing *standing*

Celebrant: May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing.

***ALL:* Amen.**

Celebrant: May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever.

***ALL:* Amen.**

Celebrant: May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance.

***ALL:* 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.

***ALL:* Amen.**

Recessional Hymn

"The Day of Resurrection"

1. The day of res - ur - rec - tion! Earth, tell it out a - broad;
2. Our hearts be pure from e - vil, that we may see a - right;
3. Now let the heavens be joy - ful! Let earth the song be - gin!

the pass - o - ver of glad - ness, the pass - o - ver of God.
the Lord in rays e - ter - nal of res - ur - rec - tion light;
Let the round world keep tri - umph, and all that is there - in!

From death to life e - ter - nal, from earth un - to the sky,
and lis - t'ning to his ac - cents, may hear, so calm and plain,
Let all things seen and un - seen their notes in glad - ness blend,

our Christ hath brought us o - ver, with hymns of vic - to - ry.
his own "All hail!" and, hear - ing, may raise the vic - tor strain.
for Christ the Lord hath ris - en, our joy that hath no end.

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The Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us go forth in peace, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.
Alleluia, Alleluia!

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

Please maintain very quiet conversation until the conclusion of The Organ Postlude.

The Organ Postlude

"Doxology"

arr. Mark Hayes