

Then the Celebrant continues:

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.” Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, “Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.”

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord; By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. ***Amen.***

And now, as our Savior Christ hath 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

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

People: ***Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.***

The Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The Administration of Communion

Post Communion Prayer

Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

The Blessing

Dismissal

Celebrant: Alleluia! Alleluia! Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: ***Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!***

The Altar flowers are given this morning to the Glory of God by the Allison Family in grateful thanksgiving for the birth of Caroline Moon Allison.

Assisting in the Preparation and Conduct of Worship

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Ushers

Bill Sanger & Tom Rust

Greeters

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The Third Sunday of Easter

April 25, 2010

8:00 am

HOLY EUCHARIST - Rite I

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THE WORD OF GOD

The Opening Acclamation *(standing)*

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People ***The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.***

The Collect for Purity

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

Christ our Passover

Alleluia.

**Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us; *
therefore let us keep the feast,**

Not with old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil, *

but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. Alleluia.

Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; *

death no longer has dominion over him.

The death that he died, he died to sin, once for all; *

but the life he lives, he lives to God.

So also consider yourselves dead to sin, *

and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord. Alleluia.

Christ has been raised from the dead, *

the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.

For since by a man came death, *

by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead.

For as in Adam all die, *

so in Christ shall all be made alive. Alleluia.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: ***And with thy spirit.***

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of thy people; Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he doth lead; who, with thee and the Holy Spirit, liveth and reigneth, one God, for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

First Reading

Acts 9:36-43

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the

disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.
People: ***Thanks be to God.***

Psalm 23

1	The LORD is my shepherd; * I shall not be in want.
2	He makes me lie down in green pastures * and leads me beside still waters.
3	He revives my soul * and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.
4	Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; * for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.
5	You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; * you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running over.
6	Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, * and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

Second Reading

Revelation 7:9-17

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen." Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear **from their eyes.**"

Reader: The Word of the Lord.
People: ***Thanks be to God.***

The Gospel

John 10:22-30

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
People: ***Glory be to thee, O Lord.***

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and

said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: ***Praise be to thee, O Christ.***

The Sermon

Tracey Herzer, ED, Leader Resources

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

Leader: With faith in the Resurrection and Sovereignty of Jesus Christ, let us pray.
(Pause)

Leader: Gracious God, we pray for your Church. Fill us with Easter faith. Make us one. Give us new life. ***Help us proclaim the Good News to all people.***
(Pause)

Leader: Risen Savior, we pray for your world. Heal us. Direct us. ***Help us establish justice and peace for everyone.***
(Pause)

Leader: Good Shepherd, we pray for the earth, for all living creatures, for the great beauty of your creation. Help us cherish and preserve what you have made for all generations. ***Make us good stewards.***
(Pause)

Leader: Spirit of Christ, we pray for all who suffer from injury, disease, poverty, human tumult, and natural disasters. Make us quick to respond, compassionate, and generous. ***Help us relieve the suffering of your people.***

(Pause)

Leader: Spirit of God, we remember loved ones who have died, and pray for those who are dying now. Ease our passage from this life into everlasting life. Reunite us with the saints. Wipe away our tears. ***Raise us up to sing your praises for ever.***

(Pause)

Leader: Blessed Redeemer, we pray for ourselves. In all times, places, and circumstances, ***help us to be like you, Lord Christ.***
(Pause)

Leader: Great Provider, we thank you for life, love, hope, and joy; blessings too numerous to count, and too great to measure. ***We give you thanks and praise, O God.***
(Pause)

Leader: With faith in the Resurrection, we pray to you Great Creator, Blessed Savior, Giver of Grace.

(Pause)

Leader: Enliven our faith, Lord Christ, that all may know the wonder of your love, and live in the power of your resurrection. ***Amen.***

The Peace

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

People: ***And with thy spirit.***

Welcome & Announcements

The Offertory

Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People: ***And with thy spirit.***
Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.
People : ***We lift them up unto the Lord.***
Celebrant : Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.
People: ***It is meet and right so to do.***

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds
It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God. But chiefly are we bound to praise thee for the glorious resurrection of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and hath taken away the sin of the world; who by his death hath destroyed death, and by his rising to life again hath won for us everlasting life. Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

Celebrant and People:
Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts: Heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.