



The Holy Eucharist

THE FEAST OF THE ASCENSION (TRANSFERRED)

11:00 a.m. Sunday, May 8, 2016

*Newcomers and visitors, we welcome you warmly.
May you find here, by the grace of God, that which feeds your soul.
May you leave here with a heart prepared to serve.*



*If this is your first time here, or your first time back in a while,
we invite you to fill out a Welcome Card found in your pew
and put it in the offering plate.*

PRELUDE

Chorale Improvisation on "Hyfrydol"

Paul Manz
1919-2009

INTROIT

O Lord Most High, eternal King

St. Mary's Parish Choir and St. Mary's Handbell Choir

*O Lord most high, eternal King, By Thee redeemed Thy praise we sing;
The bonds of death are burst by Thee, And grace has won the victory.
Ascending to the Father's throne Thou claim'st the kingdom as Thine own;
And angels wonder when they see how changed is our humanity. .
O risen Christ, ascended Lord, all praise to thee let earth accord,
Who art, while endless ages run, with Father and with Spirit, One.*

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Hail thee, festival day

Hymnal, #216

OPENING ACCLAMATION

The Book of Common Prayer, page 299

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen!
People **The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia.**

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

all say together

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

Hymnal, 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



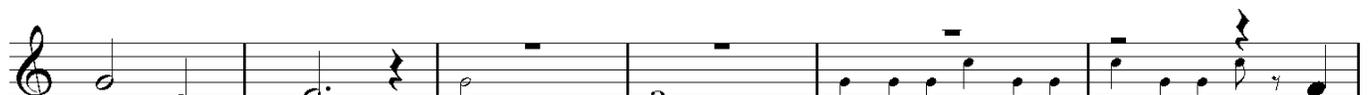
on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you



take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;



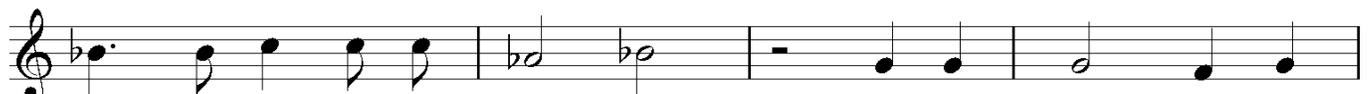
5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -



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 COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose blessed Son our Savior Jesus Christ ascended far above all heavens that he might fill all things: Mercifully give us faith to perceive that, according to his promise, he abides with his Church on earth, even to the end of the ages; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

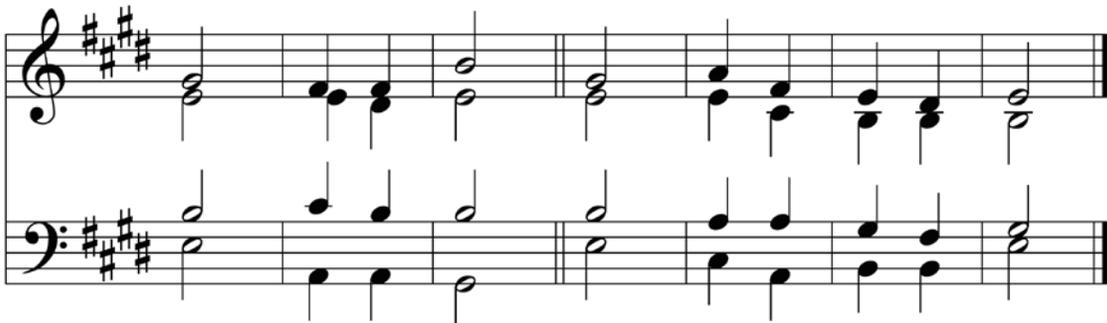
all sit

Acts 1:1-11

PSALM 93

Dominus regnavit

verse 1 – choir alone, verses 2 – 6 - all



- 1 The LORD is King;
he has put on ¹splendid ap¹parel; *
the LORD has put on his apparel
and ¹girded him¹self with ¹strength.
- 2 He has made the whole ¹world so ¹sure *
— ¹that it ¹cannot be ¹moved;
- 3 Ever since the world began, your throne has ¹been es¹tablished; *
you ¹are from ¹ever¹lasting.

- 4 The waters have lifted up, O LORD,
the waters have lifted¹up their¹voice; *
the waters have lifted¹up their¹pounding¹waves.
- 5 Mightier than the sound of many waters,
mightier than the¹breakers of the¹sea, *
mightier is the¹LORD who¹dwells on¹high.
- 6 Your testimonies are¹very¹sure, *
and holiness adorns your house, O LORD,
for ever¹and for¹ever¹more.

SECOND READING

Ephesians 1:15-23

GRADUAL HYMN

Alleluia, Sing to Jesus

Hymnal, #460

verses 1 - 3 – before the Gospel; verses 4 -5 - after the Gospel

THE HOLY GOSPEL

all stand

Luke 24:44-53

Response after the Deacon introduces the Gospel

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Response at the end of the Gospel reading

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

The Rev. Claire Dietrich Ranna

THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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

Leader God who ascends beyond the heavens,

People **Watch over your church in its mission and ministry.**

Leader God who fills all things,

People **Lead us and every people into the ways of justice and peace.**

Leader God who gives and sustains all life,

People **we thank you for our world and the natural order.**

Leader God who guards and tends the lost and forsaken,

People **we pray for those who suffer from illness, abuse, alienation, and worry.**

Leader God who is waiting for us at our end,

People **we pray for those who have died and all who mourn.**

Leader For the special needs and concerns of this congregation...

The Celebrant offers prayers from the St. Mary's Prayer List
and invites the congregation to add theirs.

Celebrant God, whose Son returned from whence he came, help us to abide in his risen life and bear the fruit of love for one another, that, in the fullness of time, we too may be welcomed to our eternal home to live in the love and light of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

O Rex Glorïae
St. Mary's Parish Choir

Luca Marenzio
1553-1599

*O King of glory, Lord of Hosts,
Who have this day ascended in triumph above all the heavens:
Do not leave us orphans,
But send us the Promise of the Father,
The Spirit of Truth.
Alleluia.*

DOXOLOGY WITH ALLELUIAS:

tune: *Lasst uns erfreuen*

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below.
Alleluia, Alleluia!
Praise him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Alleluia, Alleluia,**

**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 FRACTION

Celebrant **Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;**
People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

THE INVITATION

AGNUS DEI

Hymnal, S-165



Je - sus, Lamb of God: Have mer - cy



on us. Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: Have mer - cy



on us. Je - sus, re - deem - er of the world: Give us your peace.

COMMUNION HYMN Come, Risen Lord, and deign to be our guest

Hymnal, #306

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING all say together

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.

SENDING OF THE LAY EUCHARISTIC VISITOR *

Celebrant N., in the name of this parish family, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts to _____. Together we share in the body and blood of Christ.

People **Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share one bread and one cup.**

* when needed

THE BLESSING

RECESSIONAL HYMN

All Hail the power of Jesus' name
verses 1, 2, 3 & 6

Hymnal, #450

DISMISSAL

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

POSTLUDE

Prelude and Fugue in G-Major
BWV 557

Johann Sebastian Bach
1685-1750

*As a courtesy to those who wish to continue in prayer or listen to the postlude,
please exit quietly and join in fellowship in the courtyard.*

We request that there be no applause after the postlude.

Thank you.

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