

Holy Eucharist,

Eucharistic Prayer A

Opening Hymn *The People Stand*

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Words: Isaac Watts, 1707;

Music: (adapted from Gregorian chant) Lowell Mason, 1824

When I survey the wondrous cross
On which the Prince of Glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss,
And pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,
Save in the cross of Christ, my God:
All the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to his blood.

Opening Sentences

LEADER Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

PEOPLE *His mercy endures for ever.*

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.**

The Confession and Absolution of Sin

LEADER Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

LEADER & 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. *Amen.*

Song of Worship

Oh How Good to Be Together

Words & music by Kirk Sauers and Paul J. Ranheim, 2021

Oh how good to be together
In this weary world we trod
What a gift, what a treasure

Kindred in the house of God

On this day the Lord has fashioned
Come rejoice with all your might
Raise a banner of salvation
He has led us through the night

*Oh the joy, oh the sweetness
To be gathered in the name of the Lord
Evermore he will keep us
From the valley to the golden shore*

When it looked like evil conquered
When we felt the darkest hour
In despair we sought the Father
And he has proved his mighty power

Tell the theme of his provision
How he met our every need
He has been our firm foundation
And he will ever always be

The Collect of the Day *The People Stand*

LEADER The Lord is here.

PEOPLE ***And his Spirit is with us.***

LEADER Let us pray.

ALL *Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly
wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to
love what you command and desire what you promise; that,
among the swift and varied changes of this world, our hearts
may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you
and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.*

Children's Dismissal

Let the Flame Burn Brighter

Let the flame burn brighter
In the heart of the darkness
Turning night to glorious day
Let the song grow louder
As our love grows stronger
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine

First Reading *The People Sit*

1 Kings 19:9–13 (NIV)

LECTOR A reading from 1st Kings.

^{19:9} There Elijah went into a cave and spent the night.

And the word of the Lord came to him: "What are you doing here, Elijah?"

¹⁰ He replied, "I have been very zealous for the Lord God Almighty. The Israelites have rejected your covenant, torn down your altars, and put your prophets to death with the sword. I am the only one left, and now they are trying to kill me too."

¹¹ The Lord said, "Go out and stand on the mountain in the presence of the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by."

Then a great and powerful wind tore the mountains apart and shattered the rocks before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind. After the wind there was an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake.

¹² After the earthquake came a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire. And after the fire came a gentle whisper. ¹³ When Elijah heard it, he pulled his cloak over his face and went out and stood at the mouth of the cave.

Then a voice said to him, "What are you doing here, Elijah?"

LECTOR The Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE *Thanks be to God.*

Psalter *The People Stand*

Psalms 46

LECTOR Please stand, and let us pray **Psalms 46** responsively by half verse.

- 1 God is our refuge and strength, *
 a very present help in trouble.
- 2 Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved, *
 and though the mountains be toppled into the depths of the sea;
- 3 Though its waters rage and foam, *
 and though the mountains tremble at its tumult.
- 4 The Lord of hosts is with us; *
 the God of Jacob is our stronghold.
- 5 There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, *
 the holy habitation of the Most High.
- 6 God is in the midst of her;
 she shall not be overthrown; *
 God shall help her at the break of day.
- 7 The nations make much ado, and the kingdoms are shaken; *
 God has spoken, and the earth shall melt away.
- 8 The Lord of hosts is with us; *
 the God of Jacob is our stronghold.
- 9 Come now and look upon the works of the Lord, *
 what awesome things he has done on earth.
- 10 It is he who makes war to cease in all the world; *
 he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear,
 and burns the shields with fire.
- 11 "Be still, then, and know that I am God; *

*I will be exalted among the nations;
I will be exalted in the earth."*

12 The Lord of hosts is with us; *
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

ALL *Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.*

Second Reading *The People Sit*

Romans 8:22–27 (NIV)

LECTOR A reading from the Apostle Paul's letter to the Galatians.

^{8:22} We know that the whole creation has been groaning as in the pains of childbirth right up to the present time. ²³ Not only so, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for our adoption to sonship, the redemption of our bodies. ²⁴ For in this hope we were saved. But hope that is seen is no hope at all. Who hopes for what they already have? ²⁵ But if we hope for what we do not yet have, we wait for it patiently.

²⁶ In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us through wordless groans. ²⁷ And he who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for God's people in accordance with the will of God.

LECTOR The Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE *Thanks be to God.*

The Gospel Song

Trisagion

Music by Ryan Flanigan

Holy God,
Holy and Mighty,
Holy Immortal One,
Have mercy, mercy, mercy upon us

The Gospel

Luke 9:28–36

DEACON The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
 according to St. Luke.

PEOPLE *Glory to you, Lord Christ*

^{9:28} About eight days after Jesus said this, he took Peter, John and James with him and went up onto a mountain to pray. ²⁹ As he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became as bright as a flash of lightning. ³⁰ Two men, Moses and Elijah, appeared in glorious splendor, talking with Jesus. ³¹ They spoke about his departure, which he was about to bring to fulfillment at Jerusalem. ³² Peter and his companions were very sleepy, but when they became fully awake, they saw his glory and the two men standing with him. ³³ As the men were leaving Jesus, Peter said to him, “Master, it is good for us to be here. Let us put up three shelters—one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.” (He did not know what he was saying.)

³⁴ While he was speaking, a cloud appeared and covered them, and they were afraid as they entered the cloud. ³⁵ A voice came from the cloud, saying, “This is my Son, whom I have chosen; listen to him.” ³⁶ When the voice had spoken, they found that Jesus was alone. The disciples kept this to themselves and did not tell anyone at that time what they had seen.

DEACON The Gospel of the Lord
PEOPLE *Praise to you, Lord Christ*

Trisagion

Holy God,
Holy and Mighty,
Holy Immortal One,
Have mercy, mercy, mercy upon us

The Sermon

The People Sit

The Nicene Creed

LEADER Let us confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed:

LEADER AND PEOPLE

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. * Universal

The Prayers of the People

LECTOR In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

For all people in their daily life and work;
For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;
For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;
For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For all the bishops, priests, and deacons of the Church
and for the ministry of the whole people of God;
For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. We especially
remember ...

Silence is kept.

Hear us, Lord;
For your mercy is great.

We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them

Who put their trust in you.

CELEBRANT O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever.
Amen.

The Peace *The People Stand*

CELEBRANT The peace of the Lord be always with you.

PEOPLE *And also with you.*

The people sit.

Announcements

PRAYER FOR BIRTHDAYS

Watch over thy children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may thy peace which passes all understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYER FOR ANNIVERSARIES

O God, you have so blessed the covenant of marriage that in it is represented the spiritual unity between Christ and his Church: Send your blessing upon these your children, that their lives together may continue to reflect your love and forgiveness and that their home may be a haven of blessing and peace; we pray in Christ's name. Amen.

CELEBRANT: Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us,
an offering and sacrifice to God.

Offering & Congregational Song

St. Patrick's Breastplate

I bind unto myself today
the strong Name of the Trinity,
by invocation of the same,
the Three in One, and One in Three.

I bind this day to me for ever,
by power of faith, Christ's Incarnation;
his baptism in Jordan river;
his death on cross for my salvation;
his bursting from the spiced tomb;
his riding up the heavenly way;
his coming at the day of doom:
I bind unto myself today.

I bind unto myself the power
of the great love of cherubim;
the sweet "Well done" in judgment hour;
the service of the seraphim;
confessors' faith, apostles' word,

the patriarchs' prayers, the prophets' scrolls;
all good deeds done unto the Lord,
and purity of virgin souls.

I bind unto myself today
the power of God to hold and lead,
his eye to watch, his might to stay,
his ear to hearken, to my need;
the wisdom of my God to teach,
his hand to guide, his shield to ward;
the word of God to give me speech,
his heavenly host to be my guard.

Christ be with me, Christ within me,
Christ behind me, Christ before me,
Christ beside me, Christ to win me,
Christ to comfort and restore me.
Christ beneath me, Christ above me,
Christ in quiet, Christ in danger,
Christ in hearts of all that love me,
Christ in mouth of friend and stranger.

I bind unto myself today
the strong Name of the Trinity,
by invocation of the same,
the Three in One, and One in Three.
Of whom all nature hath creation,
eternal Father, Spirit, Word:
praise to the Lord of my salvation,
salvation is of Christ the Lord.

Doxology

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

Holy Communion, Prayer A *The People Stand*

CELEBRANT The Lord is here.
PEOPLE *And his Spirit is with us.*
CELEBRANT Lift up your hearts.
PEOPLE *We lift them up to the Lord.*
CELEBRANT Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
PEOPLE *It is right to give him thanks and praise.*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord; who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

[sing]

*Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full, O Lord, of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,*

*Heaven and earth are full, O Lord, of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.*

The People Kneel or Stand

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray...

*[sing] 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever
And ever. Amen.*

The Breaking of the Bread

CELEBRANT Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

PEOPLE *Therefore let us keep the feast.*

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.

Communion Music

We Do Not Presume

Music by Andy Piercy & David Clifton

We do not presume to come to your table
Trusting in our own righteousness
For we are not worthy so much as to gather
The crumbs from under your table

But trusting, O Lord, in your great and manifold mercies

For you are the same Lord, whose nature is always to have mercy
So cleanse us and feed us with the body and blood of your Son
That we may live in him and that he may live in us
For ever and ever. Amen.

Jesus, I Come

Words: W.T. Sleeper, 1887; Music: Greg Thompson, 2000

Out of my bondage, sorrow and night,
Jesus, I come; Jesus I come.
Into thy freedom, gladness and light,
Jesus, I come to thee.
Out of my sickness into thy health,
Out of my wanting and into thy wealth,
Out of my sin and into thyself,
Jesus, I come to thee.

Out of my shameful failure and loss,
Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come.
Into the glorious gain of thy cross,
Jesus, I come to thee.
Out of earth's sorrows into thy balm,
Out of life's storms and into thy calm,
Out of distress into jubilant psalm,
Jesus, I come to thee.

Out of unrest and arrogant pride,
Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come.
Into thy blessed will to abide,
Jesus, I come to thee.
Out of myself to dwell in thy love,
Out of despair into raptures above,
Upward forever on wings like a dove,
Jesus, I come to thee.

Out of the fear and dread of the tomb,
Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come.

Into the joy and light of thy home,
Jesus, I come to thee.
Out of the depths of ruin untold,
Into the peace of thy sheltering fold,
Ever thy glorious face to behold,
Jesus, I come to thee.
Jesus, I come to thee.

At the Name of Jesus

Marty Reardon

All manner of beauty
All manner of fame
All manner of riches
Cannot compare with the glory of your name

*At the name of Jesus every knee will bow
At the name of Jesus, every tongue cry out
To the glory of the Father who sent his only Son
Together with the Spirit, the Godhead, three in One*

All manner of sorrow
All manner of pain
All manner of suffering
Will fade away when we look upon your face

Holy, Holy is the Lord
Worthy, Worthy is the Lord
Jesus, Jesus is the Lord

Prayer for Mission

ALL

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 mission, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

CELEBRANT

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

Procession into the World *The People Stand*

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

See, from his head, his hands, his feet,
sorrow and love flow mingled down!
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine,
that were an offering far too small;
love so amazing, so divine,
demands my soul, my life, my all.

The Dismissal

DEACON Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

PEOPLE *Thanks be to God.*

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