



## THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

*A star (+) denotes times in the service the congregation stands, if able.*

PROCESSIONAL HYMN+

*Adeste Fidelis*

OPENING ACCLAMATION+

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*All standing, as able.*

*Celebrant:* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*People:* And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

COLLECT FOR PURITY+

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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+

*Gloria*

*All standing, as able.*

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY+

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*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* And also with you.

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have given your only-begotten Son to take our nature upon him, and to be born this day of a pure virgin: Grant that we, who have been born again and made your children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by your Holy Spirit; through our Lord Jesus Christ, to whom with you and the same Spirit be honor and glory, now and for ever. *Amen.*

FIRST LESSON **Isaiah 52:7-10**

Read by Pat Ahearn

*All are seated to hear the Word.*

**H**ow beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of the messenger who announces peace, who brings good news, who announces salvation, who says to Zion, "Your God reigns." Listen! Your sentinels lift up their voices, together they sing for joy; for in plain sight they see the return of the Lord to Zion. Break forth together into singing, you ruins of Jerusalem; for the Lord has comforted his people, he has redeemed Jerusalem. The Lord has bared his holy arm before the eyes of all the nations; and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* Thanks be to God.

RESPONSE ANTHEM

*Antioch*

SECOND LESSON **Hebrews 1:1-12**

Read by Cecilia Malm

*All are seated to hear the Word.*

**L**ong ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

For to which of the angels did God ever say,

“You are my Son;  
today I have begotten you”?

Or again,

“I will be his Father,  
and he will be my Son”?

And again, when he brings the firstborn into the world, he says,

“Let all God's angels worship him.”

Of the angels he says,

“He makes his angels winds,  
and his servants flames of fire.”

But of the Son he says,

“Your throne, O God, is forever and ever,  
and the righteous scepter is the scepter of your kingdom.  
You have loved righteousness and hated wickedness;  
therefore God, your God, has anointed you  
with the oil of gladness beyond your companions.”

And,

“In the beginning, Lord, you founded the earth,  
and the heavens are the work of your hands;  
they will perish, but you remain;  
they will all wear out like clothing;  
like a cloak you will roll them up, and like clothing they will be changed.  
But you are the same,  
and your years will never end.”

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL+ **John 1:1-14**

*All remain standing, as able, to hear the Gospel.*

*Reader:* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

*People:* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

**I**n the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.

There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.

He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God.

And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.

*Reader:* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People:* Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Gawain de Leeuw, O.A.

THE NICENE CREED+ (said in unison)

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*All standing, as able.*

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.

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE+

Read by Cecilia Malm

*All standing, as able.*

*Presider:* In Christ God's Word has become flesh, dwelling among us, full of grace and truth. Let us pray to the true light which enlightens the world, asking that all creation may receive grace upon grace from the fullness of God, saying: What has come into being in Christ was life, and the life was the light of all people.

*Litanist:* You have called the Church to witness to the light which enlightens everyone: Empower our testimony that all persons may know themselves to be children of God and share the gospel of the Word made flesh.

What has come into being in Christ was life,  
*and the life was the light of all people.*

Inspire the leaders of our nation and all in authority in the ways of grace and truth, that we may no longer be a people enslaved under the law, but know ourselves to be heirs, adopted as God's own children.

What has come into being in Christ was life,  
*and the life was the light of all people.*

Be light in the darkness for all the world; let the fullness of Christ's heart may be made known for the healing of the earth.

What has come into being in Christ was life,  
*and the life was the light of all people.*

Live among us, O Word made flesh, and reconcile this community to your light.

What has come into being in Christ was life,  
*and the life was the light of all people.*

May your people sing a new song for your marvelous work, as we pray in faith for Linda Howe, the Abbott Family, Marshall Thorpe, Victor Isaac, Robert Emerson, Ronald Guichard, Trecia Usher Garcia, Jeanne Anne Knowlton, Emily, Hillary, Mark Zimoski, Ethel Hope, Aldington Hope, Timothy Savage, Sally, George Macy, Cynthia Gibbs, Gretchen, Marta, Thomas Bianchi. Hear our gratitude for your glory manifest among us, especially for Isla Rose Eberle . Receive those who have died as heirs of eternal life, especially Mary Rice, Stephen Saneski, Radjia Persaud. What has come into being in Christ was life,  
*and the life was the light of all people.*

*Presider:* Loving and gracious Creator, from the beginning you have brightened our darkness with the light of your life: Let your vindication shine out like the dawn, and your salvation like a burning torch, that your Word made flesh may bring grace upon grace to all the earth, in the power of your Holy Spirit, through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

CONFESSION OF SIN<sup>+</sup>

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*All standing, as able.*

*Officiant:* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Officiant and People together,*

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.

*The Officiant alone says*

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.*

THE PEACE<sup>+</sup>

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*All standing, as able.*

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

*People:* And also with you.

*Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

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OFFERTORY ANTHEM+

*Puer Natus in Bethlehem*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING+, Eucharistic Prayer B

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*All remain standing.*

*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.

*People:* It is right to give him thanks and praise.

*The Celebrant proceeds*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every-where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

*Here a Proper Preface is sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.*

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:

*Celebrant and People*

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

*The people stand or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues*

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

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."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

*Celebrant and People*

We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;

*The Celebrant continues*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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*All standing, as able.*

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

*Celebrant and People.*

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

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*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept. Then may be sung or said*

*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.

*The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.*

COMMUNION ANTHEM

*Greensleeves*

*Stille Nacht*

*Go Tell it On the Mountain*

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER + (said in unison)

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*All standing, as able.*

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

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.

BLESSING +

May you receive the true light which enlightens everyone, for you are children of God, born of God. May you testify to the Word made flesh, living among us, full grace and truth. May the Spirit give you life, the life that is the light which shines in the darkness and cannot be overcome. And the blessing of our glorious God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be with you and enlighten you, now and for ever.  
*Amen.*

RECESSIONAL ANTHEM +

*Mendelssohn*

DISMISSAL +

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

*People:* Thanks be to God.

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