

# THE HOLY EUCHARIST

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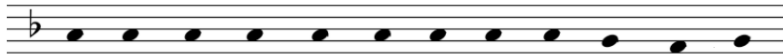
PRELUDE

*Prière à Notre- Dame from "Suite Gothique" Léon Boëllmann*

OPENING ACCLAMATION

*Please stand as the bell sounds. The Celebrant intones:*

Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.



Glo - ry to God for - ev - er and ev - er. A - men.



# HYMN IN PROCESSION

The image shows a musical score for a hymn in procession. It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a treble clef staff at the top and a bass clef staff at the bottom. The key signature is one sharp (F#). The first system contains four measures of music. The lyrics are: 1 O bless the Lord, my soul! His grace to thee pro-claim! 2 O bless the Lord, my soul! His mer-cies bear in mind! 4 He par-dons all thy sins, pro-longs thy fee-ble breath; 5 He clothes thee with his love, up-holds thee with his truth; The second system also contains four measures of music. The lyrics are: 1 And all that is with-in me join to bless his ho-ly Name! 2 For-get not all his ben-e-fits! The Lord to thee is kind. 4 he heal-eth thine in-fir-mi-ties and ran-soms thee from death. 5 and like the ea-gle he re-news the vi-gor of thy youth.

Words: James Montgomery (1771-1854); para. of Psalm 103  
Music: *St. Thomas* (Williams), melody Aaron Williams (1731-1776); harm. Lowell Mason (1792-1872)  
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THE OPENING COLLECT

Collect for Purity

The People's responses are in bold.

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 God's peo- ple on earth.

2. Lord God, hea- ven - 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.

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## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

Have pity on us, God our Savior. Grant us grace and courage to cast off our sins and turn to you for healing. Show us in Christ the path of salvation and strengthen us to follow gladly in the way of the gospel. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## THE LESSON

*Jeremiah 31:7-9*

Thus says the Lord: Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob, and raise shouts for the chief of the nations; proclaim, give praise, and say, "Save, O Lord, your people, the remnant of Israel." See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north, and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth, among them the blind and the lame, those with child and those in labor, together; a great company, they shall return here. With weeping they shall come, and with consolations I will lead them back, I will let them walk by brooks of water, in a straight path in which they shall not stumble; for I have become a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the people.

**Thanks be to God.**

## THE PSALM

*Psalm 126 sung by the choir*

When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion, \*  
then were we like those who dream.  
Then was our mouth filled with laughter, \*  
and our tongue with shouts of joy.  
Then they said among the nations, \*  
"The Lord has done great things for them."  
The Lord has done great things for us, \*  
and we are glad indeed.  
Restore our fortunes, O Lord, \*  
like the watercourses of the Negev.  
Those who sowed with tears \*  
will reap with songs of joy.  
Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, \*  
will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.

*Edward Bairstow*

The former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office; but Jesus holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever. Consequently he is able for all time to save those who approach God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them. For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, undefiled, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. Unlike the other high priests, he has no need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for those of the people; this he did once for all when he offered himself. For the law appoints as high priests those who are subject to weakness, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect forever.

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## THE GOSPEL HYMN



1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;  
 2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;  
 3 High King of hea - ven, when vic - tory is won,



all else be nought to me, save that thou art—  
 I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord;  
 may I reach hea - ven's joys, bright hea - ven's Sun!



thou my best thought, — by day or by night,  
 thou my great Fa - ther; thine own may I be;  
 Heart of my heart, — what - ev - er be - fall,



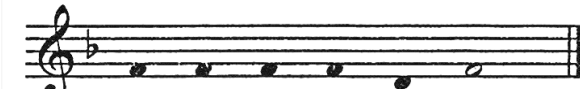
wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.  
 thou in me dwell - ing, and I one with thee.  
 still be my vis - ion, O Ru - ler of all.

Words: Irish, ca. 700; versified Mary Elizabeth Byrne (1880-1931); tr. Eleanor H. Hull (1860-1935), alt.  
*Slane*, Irish ballad melody; adapt. *The Church Hymnary*, 1927; harm. David Evans (1874-1948)  
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THE GOSPEL

Mark 10:46-52

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.



Glo - ry to you O Christ

Jesus and his disciples came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" Jesus stood still and said, "Call him here." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; get up, he is calling you." So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man said to him, "My teacher, let me see again." Jesus said to him, "Go; your faith has made you well." Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

The Gospel of the Lord.



Praise to you O Christ

THE SERMON

The Rev. Daniel Simons

*A period of silent reflection follows the sermon.*

**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, She\* is worshipped and glorified. She 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.**

*\*Holy Spirit in biblical languages is a feminine-gendered word, and we use the feminine pronoun here to highlight that aspect of God's fullness.*

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Let us pray now to God, who hears our prayers even before we ask.

Holy One, inspire and lead those who hold authority in the nations of the world.  
**Guide us and all people in the way of justice and peace.**

Strengthen all who minister in Christ's name.  
**That the life of Christ may be revealed in us.**

Have compassion on those who suffer from sickness, grief, or trouble.  
**In your presence may they find strength.**

Look with your kindness on our homes and families.  
**Grant that your love may grow in our hearts.**

Make us alive to the needs of our community.  
**Help us to share one another's joys and burdens.**

We remember those who have died, especially those we now name...  
*Particular names may be offered aloud or in silence.*

We praise you for all your saints who have entered your eternal glory.  
**May we also come to share your heavenly kingdom.**

We pray for the needs and thanksgivings of those gathered here.  
*Particular intercessions and thanksgivings may be offered aloud or in silence.*

Hear us, O God  
**For we put our trust in you**  
*The Celebrant prays a concluding collect.*

## THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

*Please share the peace with a distanced gesture to those nearby.*

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### GIVING TO ST. PAUL'S

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## ANTHEM AT THE OFFERTORY

My eyes for beauty pine, My soul for Goddes grace:  
No other care nor hope be mine, To heav'n I turn my face.  
One splendour thence is shed From all the stars above:  
Tis named when God's name is said, Tis Love, heav'nly Love.  
My eyes for beauty pine, My soul for Goddes grace:  
No other care nor hope be mine, To heav'n I turn my face.  
And every gentle heart That burns with true desire  
Is lit from eyes that mirror part of that celestial fire.

words: Robert Bridges (1844-1930)

music: Elizabeth Coxhead (b, 1987) and Thomas Coxhead



HYMN AT THE OFFERTORY

1 Let thy Blood in mer - cy poured, let thy gra - cious  
 2 Thou didst die that I might live; bless - ed Lord, thou  
 3 By the thorns that crowned thy brow, by the spear-wound  
 4 Wilt thou own the gift I bring? All my pen - i -

Bo - dy bro - ken, be to me, O gra - cious Lord,  
 cam'st to save me; all that love of God could give  
 and the nail - ing, by the pain and death, I now  
 tence I give thee; thou art my ex - alt - ed King,

*Refrain*

of thy bound-less love the to - ken.  
 Jes - us by his sor - rows gave me. Thou didst give thy -  
 claim, O Christ, thy love un - fail - ing.  
 of thy match-less love for - give me.

self for me, now I give my - self to thee.

Words: Greek; tr. John Brownlie (1859-1925)  
 Music: *Jesus, meine Zuversicht*, melody Johann Cruger (1598-1662);  
 harm. after *The Chorale Book for England*, 1863  
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# THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*Celebrant*                      *People*  
 The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

*Celebrant*                      *People*  
 Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

*Celebrant*  
 Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People*  
 It is right to give God thanks and praise.

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world, You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind. Wonderous are you. Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; and so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of  
 pow - er and might, — hea - ven and earth are full of your  
 glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high -  
 est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the  
 Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. —

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*The Celebrant continues*

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all. Your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise.

Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering. Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave to his friends and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: "Drink this, all of you: this cup is the New Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

**Dying, you destroyed our death.**

**Rising, you restored our life.**

**Christ Jesus, come in glory!**

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice, and love. Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with all your people into the joy of our true eternal home.

Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and creator in voices of unending praise. Blessed are you, now and forever.



setting: McNeil Robinson II (1943-2015)

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# THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Celebrant*  
As our Sa - vior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

*Celebrant and People*  
Our Fa - ther in hea - ven, hal - lowed be your Name,  
your king - dom come, your will be done, on earth as in hea - ven.  
Give us to - day our dai - ly bread.  
For - give us our sins as we for - give those who sin a - gainst us.  
Save us from the time of tri - al, and de - liv - er us from e - vil.  
For the king - dom, the power, and the glo - ry are yours,  
now and for ev - er. A - men.

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*The Celebrant breaks the bread and invites the People to communion, saying*

God of promise, you have prepared a banquet for us.

**Happy are those who are called to the Supper of the Lamb.**



This is the Bod-y of Christ, bro-ken that we may be  
 whole; this cup, as prom-ised by God, true to Gods' word,  
 cra-dles our Lord: food for the good of the soul.

music and words: John L. Bell (b. 1949)  
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## THE COMMUNION

*Everyone is welcome to receive the bread and wine of Communion at St. Paul's. Please follow the direction of the ushers. Healing prayer is available in the side aisles for those wishing to pray with someone for any need in their lives.*

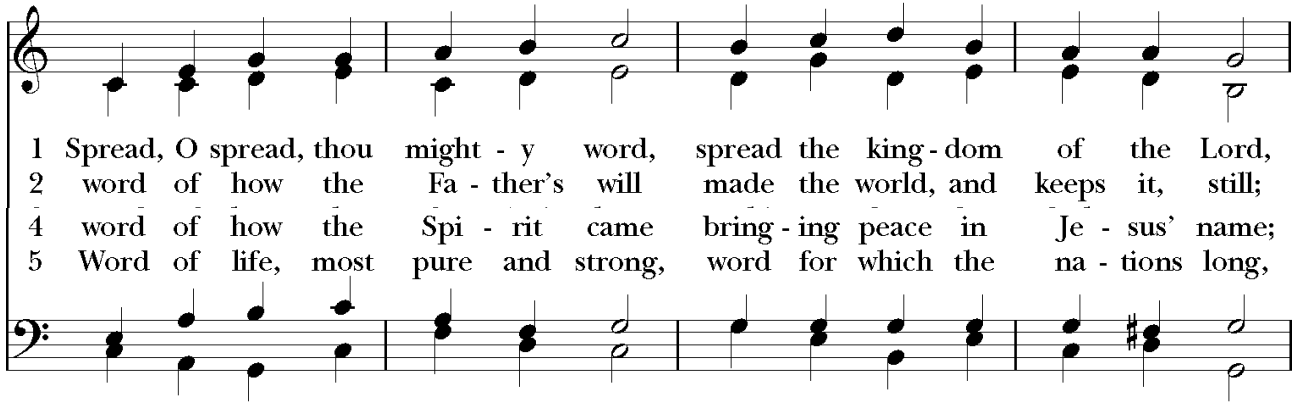
## THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

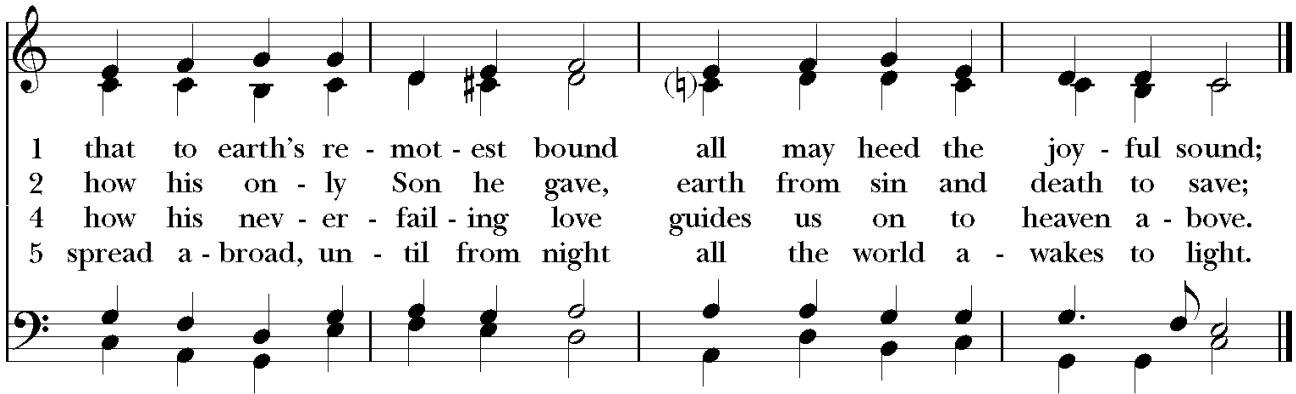
## THE BLESSING

Life is short, and we do not have too much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel the way with us. So be swift to love, and make haste to be kind; and the blessing of God almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you forever. **Amen.**

HYMN IN PROCESSION



1 Spread, O spread, thou might - y word, spread the king - dom of the Lord,  
2 word of how the Fa - ther's will made the world, and keeps it, still;  
4 word of how the Spi - rit came bring - ing peace in Je - sus' name;  
5 Word of life, most pure and strong, word for which the na - tions long,



1 that to earth's re - mot - est bound all may heed the joy - ful sound;  
2 how his on - ly Son he gave, earth from sin and death to save;  
4 how his nev - er - fail - ing love guides us on to heaven a - bove.  
5 spread a - broad, un - til from night all the world a - wakes to light.

Words: Jonathan Friedrich Bahnmaier (1774-1841); tr. Arthur William Farlander (1898-1952)  
and Charles Winfred Douglas (1867-1944), alt. St. 4, F. Bland Tucker (1895-1984)

Music: *Gott sei Dank*, melody from *Geistreiches Gesangbuch*, 1704; adapt. and harm. William Henry Havergel (1793-1870)

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THE DISMISSAL

Let us go forth in the name of Christ to love and to serve.  
**Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

*Skizzen No. 3 from "4 Skizzen für den Pedalflügel" Op.58 -Robert Schumann*

## THE WORSHIP IS OVER. THE SERVICE BEGINS.

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