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9:45 am Holy Eucharist

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The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

Instrumental Preludes

Hymn 460 — Alleluia, Sing to Jesus

Alleluia! sing to Jesus!
his the scepter, his the throne;
Alleluia! his the triumph,
his the victory alone;
Hark! the songs of peaceful Zion
thunder like a mighty flood;
Jesus out of every nation
hath redeemed us by his blood.

Alleluia! not as orphans
are we left in sorrow now;
Alleluia! he is near us,
faith believes, nor questions how:
though the cloud from sight received him,
when the forty days were o'er,
shall our hearts forget his promise,
"I am with you evermore"?

Alleluia! Bread of Heaven,
thou on earth our food, our stay!
Alleluia! here the sinful
flee to thee from day to day:
Intercessor, friend of sinners,
earth's Redeemer, plead for me,
where the songs of all the sinless
sweep across the crystal sea.

Alleluia! King eternal,
thee the Lord of lords we own:
Alleluia! born of Mary,
earth thy footstool, heaven thy throne:
thou within the veil hast entered,
robed in flesh, our great High Priest:
thou on earth both Priest and Victim
in the eucharistic feast.

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Opening Acclamation

BCP 355

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

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

The celebrant and people may say,

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.*

ALL:

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**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
Almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One,
You alone are the Lord,
You alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. *Amen.***

The Collect

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Liturgy of the Word

A Reading from 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.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Response: Psalm 126

In convertendo

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

A Reading from Hebrews 7:23-28

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.

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

The Gospel: Mark 10:46-52

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark
People: **Glory to you, Lord 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.

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord
People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ**

The Sermon

Congregation to recite

The Nicene Creed

BCP 358

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

BCP 392

The Leader and People pray responsively
In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

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

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We pray for **Joseph Biden our President, Wes Moore our Governor, Robert Cassilly, our County Executive.** 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.

We pray especially for those named on the prayer list and the residents of Harford Family House.
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.

We pray for +Michael Curry our Presiding Bishop, +Sean Rowe, Presiding Bishop– Elect; +Carrie Schofield-Broadbent our Bishop; Kirk Kubicek+, our Priest-in-charge; for those in the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer; *Holy Nativity, Baltimore , St. Andrew's, Baltimore , St. Francis', Timonium* . Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church, For all bishops and other ministers.
For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence

The people may add their own petitions

Hear us Lord.
For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life, for those with birthdays this week, *especially Len Parrish, Jr. and Meredith Fender* and for those with anniversaries this week.

Silence

The people may add their own petitions

We exalt you, O God our King.
And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, *especially Howard Milton Rickert* that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom. *(PAUSE)*

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them.
Who put their trust in you.

Celebrant: We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence may be kept.

ALL: **Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
In your compassion forgive us our sins,
Known and unknown,
Things done and left undone;
And so uphold us by your Spirit
That we may live and serve you in newness of life,
To the honor and glory of your Name;
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.***

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

The Peace

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

Announcements

Offertory Hymn 659— O Master Let Me Walk with Thee

O Master, let me walk with thee
in lowly paths of service free;
tell me thy secret; help me bear
the strain of toil, the fret of care.

Help me the slow of heart to move
by some clear, winning word of love;
teach me the wayward feet to stay,
and guide them in the homeward way.

Teach me thy patience; still with thee
in closer, dearer company,
in work that keeps faith sweet and strong,
in trust that triumphs over wrong,

In hope that sends a shining ray
far down the future's broadening way,
in peace that only thou canst give,
with thee, O Master, let me live.

Eucharistic Prayer B

BCP 367

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.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world. 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.

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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.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or to lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

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 [_____ and] 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.*

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

**ALL: 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***

BCP 364

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept

Celebrant: Alleluia! We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

People: We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread. Alleluia!

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for all People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for the life of the world, and let us feed on him in our hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

To receive Holy Communion, you may stand or kneel at the Rail, and receive Bread and Wine, or just Bread as is your custom. When receiving the Wine, please guide the chalice by holding it by its base. We only receive from the Common Cup, no longer by Intinction (dipping the wafer). If instead of communion you desire a Blessing, please fold your arms across your chest. Let the usher know if you would like to receive communion in the pew. Gluten free wafers are available at communion

Prayer after Communion

Celebrant: Let us pray.

**ALL: Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you feed 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.**

BCP 365

Blessing

Hymn 671 — Amazing Grace

Amazing grace! how sweet the sound,
that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost but now am found,
was blind but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
and grace my fears relieved;
how precious did that grace appear
the hour I first believed!

The Lord has promised good to me,
his word my hope secures;
he will my shield and portion be
as long as life endures.

Through many dangers, toils, and snares,
I have already come;
'tis grace that brought me safe thus far,
and grace will lead me home.

When we've been there ten thousand years,
bright shining as the sun,
we've no less days to sing God's praise
than when we'd first begun.

The Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

The altar flowers today are given to the glory of God



*In loving memory of Howard M. Rickert
by Melinda & Steve Chase*

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May God Bless You

this day and throughout the week ahead!

Do something new in my life

Do something new in my life
Something new in my life
Something new in my life, Oh Lord!

Do something new in my life
Something new in my life
Something Wonderful in my life , Oh Lord!

Marvelous
Beautiful
Heavenly

Better Times Will Come

Words & music Janis Ian

Refrain: Better times, better times will come.
Better times, better times will come.
When this world learns to live as one,
oh, better times will come

When we greet each dawn without fear
knowing loved ones soon will be near
When the winds of war cannot blow any more
Oh, better times will come

Refrain: Better times, better times will come.
Better times, better times will come.
When this world learns to live as one,
oh, better times will come

Though we live each day as our last
we know someday soon it will pass
We will dance, we will sing
in that never-ending spring
Oh, better times will come

Refrain: Better times, better times will come.
Better times, better times will come.
When this world learns to live as one,
oh, better times will come
oh, better times will come
oh, better times will come



Good Shepherd

by Jimmy Strothers



If you want to get to heaven
Over on the other shore
Stay out of the way of *the blood-stained bandit*
Oh good shepherd
Feed my sheep

One for Paul
One for Silas
One for to make my heart rejoice
Can't you hear my lambs a'callin
Oh good shepherd
Feed my sheep

If you want to get to heaven
Over on the other shore
Stay out of the way of *the long-tongue liar*
Oh good shepherd
Feed my sheep

If you want to get to heaven
Over on the other shore
Stay out of the way of *the gun shot devil*
Oh good shepherd
Feed my sheep

Come Into The Quiet

Come into the quiet
Be one with God's breath
Rest in this waiting place
Peace will be there
Truth
Love
Healing
Rest, rest,
Peace will be there
Truth
Love
Healing

- Diane Davis Andrew

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LET US PRAY: For those who are sick, in any kind of need or difficulty, especially: For the residents of Harford Family House; For peace and understanding in Baltimore; For all the victims of recent terror attacks throughout the world; For refugees worldwide desperately seeking safety; For those who suffer because of any humanitarian crises, especially those created by the war in Ukraine and the escalating climate crisis; For all the people in the Middle East, that they can experience peace and stability in their lands; For the victims of natural disasters; For the communities that have experienced mass shootings.

For those on our prayer list: Hazel Borkowski, Sue Sampson, Betty Parker, Linda Michel, Jackson, Dave Fender, Lyn Edmunds, Ken, Bill Mundy, Erin, Lauren, Joel Tidey, Debbie Senes, Alice Richardson, Slava Morris, Steve Frishmuth

For these parishioners who are unable to be with us every Sunday: Glassell & Betty Parker; Lynn Klein