

Saint Thomas's Church
The Sunday after Ascension Day
Sunday, May 12, 2024
High Mass at 11 o'clock



The Ascension of Christ, Drogo Sacramentary, c. 850
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Welcome!

On behalf of everyone who claims St. Thomas's as their spiritual home, we are happy you are with us, whether in person or via our livestream. If you are a visitor or newcomer, or even a longtime parishioner, but find it awkward or difficult to stand or kneel at the places indicated, remaining seated is perfectly acceptable. Please assume the posture most conducive to prayer throughout this service, or simply observe.

St. Thomas's has many peculiar ways that we cherish and are happy to share. If there seems to be no rhyme or reason for something, there might not be! But feel free to ask anyone after the service; it usually makes for entertaining conversation.

You are not obliged to engage any of us in conversation, though you should know that pretty much everyone here is happy to do so when we gather. You can always slip away without any judgement. We seem to have a lot of introverts here, so we understand the energy it takes to put yourself out there. Even if you're a raging extrovert, the experience of church can be disorienting. Relax and be yourself. Believe it or not, whether from near or far, God has led you here today. We want to honour what God is up to in your life, and we are here for you as you (re-) discover the joy and the challenge of the saving Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Fr. Nathan Humphrey, Rector

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Celebrant & Homilist: Fr. Theo Ipema
Deacon: Fr. Nathan Humphrey
Reader: Earl Barnsley
Organist & Choirmaster: Elizabeth Anderson
Assistant Organist & Choirmaster: Manuel Piazza

MUSIC OF THE MASS

Missa Brevis, Zoltán Kodály (1882-1967)

VOLUNTARY

Prélude à l'Introït, Dominica infra Octava Ascensionis
from L'orgue mystique
Charles Tournemire (1870-1939)

ENTRANCE HYMN 392

Rejoice, the Lord is King



Lift up your voice; Lift up your voice; Re-joice, a-gain I say, re - joice.

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|--|---|
| 1 Rejoice, the Lord is King,
Your Lord and King adore;
Rejoice, give thanks and sing,
And triumph evermore:
<i>Refrain</i> | 3 His kingdom cannot fail;
He rules o'er earth and heaven;
The keys of death and hell
Are our Jesus given:
<i>Refrain</i> |
| 2 Jesus, the Saviour, reigns,
The God of truth and love:
When he had purged our stains,
He took his seat above:
<i>Refrain</i> | 4 He sits at God's right hand
Till all his foes submit,
And bow to his command,
And fall beneath his feet:
<i>Refrain</i> |

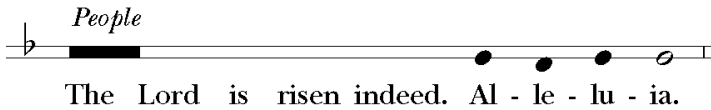
THE EASTER ACCLAMATION

Celebrant



Al - le - lu - ia. Christ is ris - en.

People



The Lord is risen indeed. Al - le - lu - ia.

EASTERTIDE ASPERGES

Vidi aquam egredientem de templo, a latere dextro, Alleluia:
Et omnes ad quos pervenit aqua ista, salvi facti sunt,
Et dicent: Alleluia, Alleluia.

I saw water flowing from the Temple, from the right side, Alleluia:
and all to whom this water came were saved and shall say: Alleluia, Alleluia.

The People kneel.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The People kneel.

KYRIE ELEISON

Missa de Angelis

1. Cantor People
Ky - ri - e - - - e - - - - - - le - i - son.

2. People 3. Cantor
Ky - ri - e - - - e - - - - - - le - i - son.

1. People 2. Cantor 3. People
Chri - ste - - - - - - le - i - son.

1. Cantor 2. People
Ky - ri - e - - - - - - le - i - son.

Cantor People
Ky - ri - e - - - - - - le - i - son.

The People stand.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO

Glory be to God on high,
and in earth peace,
good will towards men.
We praise thee, we bless thee,
we worship thee, we glorify thee,
we give thanks to thee
for thy great glory,
O Lord God, heavenly King,
God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son,
Jesu Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God,
Son of the Father,
that takest away the sin of the world,

Gloria in excelsis Deo,
et in terra pax hominibus
bonæ voluntatis
Laudamus te, benedicimus te,
adoramus te, glorificamus te,
gratias agimus tibi
propter magnam gloriam tuam,
Domine Deus, Rex cælestis,
Deus Pater omnipotens.

Domine Fili unigenite,
Jesu Christe,
Domine Deus, Agnus Dei,
Filius Patris,
qui tollis peccata mundi,

have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sin of the world,
receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest
at the right hand of God the Father,
have mercy upon us.

miserere nobis.
Qui tollis peccata mundi,
suscipe deprecationem nostram.
Qui sedes
ad dexteram Patris,
miserere nobis.

For thou only art holy;
thou only art the Lord;
thou only, O Christ,
with the Holy Ghost, art most high
in the ✠ glory of God the Father. Amen

Quoniam tu solus Sanctus,
tu solus Dominus,
tu solus Altissimus, Jesu Christe,
cum Sancto Spiritu:
in ✠ gloria Dei Patris. Amen.

The People remain kneeling for the Collect.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.
And with thy spirit.
Let us pray.

O God the King of Glory, who hast exalted thine only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph unto thy kingdom in heaven: We beseech thee, leave us not comfortless; but send to us thine Holy Ghost to comfort us, and exalt us unto the same place whither our Saviour Christ is gone before; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

The People sit.

FIRST LESSON

Acts 1.15-17, 21-26

The First Lesson is written in the first chapter of the book of the Acts of the Apostles, beginning at the first verse.

In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred and twenty people) and said, 'Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus— for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry.' So one of the men who have accompanied

us throughout the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection.’ So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. Then they prayed and said, ‘Lord, you know everyone’s heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place.’ And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The People remain seated for the Psalm.

PSALM 1

Beatus vir, qui non abiit
1. 1.



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|---------------|---|--|
| <i>Cantor</i> | 1 | BLESS-ED is the man that hath not walk-ed in the counsel of the ungodly, nor stood in the way of sin -ners : |
| <i>People</i> | | and hath not sat in the seat of the scörn-ful. |
| | 2 | But his delight is in the law of the Lord : |
| | | and in his law doth he med- i -tate dāy andˆnight. |
| <i>Cantor</i> | 3 | And he shall be like a tree planted by the wa- ter -side : |
| | | that bringeth forth his fruit in due sēa-son, |
| <i>People</i> | 4 | Whose leaf also doth not wi -ther : |
| | | and look, whatsoever he doeth, it shall prös-per. |
| <i>Cantor</i> | 5 | As for the ungodly, it is not so with them : but they are like the chaff, which the wind scattereth away from the face of thë earth. |
| <i>People</i> | 6 | Therefore the ungodly shall not be able to stand in the judge -ment : neither the sinners in the congregation of the righ-teous. |
| <i>Cantor</i> | 7 | For the Lord knoweth the way of the righ -teous : |
| <i>People</i> | | but the way of the ungod- ly shall pēr-ish. |

THE EPISTLE

1 John 5.9-13

The Epistle is written in the fifth chapter of the First Epistle of St John, beginning at the ninth verse.

If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son. And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life. I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

The People stand.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Cantor *People*

Al - le - lu - ia. * Al - le - lu - ia. _____

Al - le - lu - ia. *Tone VI*

Cantor I WILL not leave you desolate, says **the** Lord : I will come to^you.
People * Alleluia.

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

The Holy Gospel is written in the seventeenth chapter of the Gospel according to Saint John, beginning at the sixth verse.

Glory be to thee, O Lord.

‘I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth.’

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise be to thee, O Christ.


The People sit at the invitation of the Preacher.

SERMON

The People stand to sing the Creed. All who are able to kneel, please do so at “and was incarnate,” rising after “and was made man.”



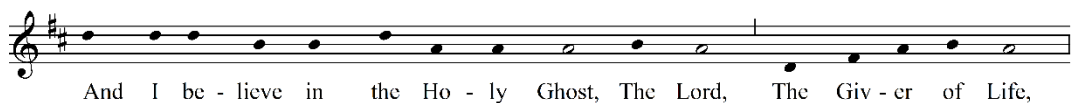
ac - cord - ing to the Scrip - tures, And as - cend - ed in - to hea - - - ven,



And sit - teth on the right hand of the Fath - er. And he shall come a - gain with glo - ry



to judge both the quick and the dead: Whose king - dom shall have no end.



And I be - lieve in the Ho - ly Ghost, The Lord, The Giv - er of Life,



Who pro - ceed - eth from the Fath - er and the Son, Who with the Fath - er and the Son



to - geth - er is wor - ship - ped and glo - ri - fi - ed, Who spake by the Pro - - phets.



And I be - lieve One, Ho - ly, Cath - o - lic, and A - po - sto - lic Church.



I ac - know - ledge one Bap - tism for the re - mis - sion of sins. And I look for



the Re - sur - rec - tion of the dead, And the Life of the world to come.



A - - - - - men.

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither rust nor moth doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through and steal; for where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

The People remain standing for the hymn.

OFFERTORY HYMN 397

Alleluia! sing to Jesus!



- 1 Alleluia! sing to Jesus! / his the sceptre, his the throne;
Alleluia! his the triumph, / his the victory alone;
Hark! the songs of peaceful Sion / Thunder like a mighty flood.
Jesus out of every nation / Hath redeemed us by his blood.
- 2 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'?
- 3 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.
- 4 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.

5 Alleluia! sing to Jesus! / his the sceptre, his the throne;
Alleluia! his the triumph, / his the victory alone;
Hark! the songs of peaceful Sion / Thunder like a mighty flood.
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HYFRYDOL
Rowland Hugh Prichard, (1811-1887), 1855

William Chatterton Dix (1837-1898), 1866

MOTET

Antiphon from *Five Mystical Songs*,
Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

Let all the world in every corner sing, My God and King. The heavens are not too high, His praise may thither fly: The earth is not too low, His praises there may grow. Let all the world in every corner sing, My God and King. The Church with Psalms must shout, No door can keep them out: But above all, the heart Must bear the longest part. Let all the world in every corner sing, My God and King.

George Herbert (1593-1633)

The People sit if the Choir also sits, standing again as the thurifer approaches for the censuring.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

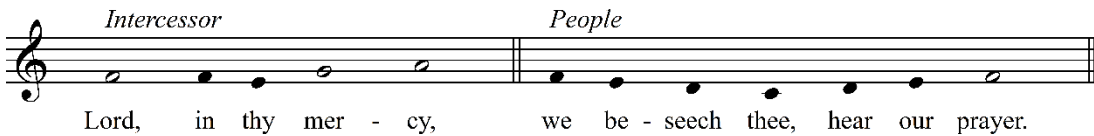
Blessed be thou, Lord God of Israel, for ever and ever. All that is in the heaven and in the earth is thine. All things come of thee, and of thine own have we given thee. **Amen.**

The People kneel.

INTERCESSIONS

Celebrant: Dear friends in Christ, with joyous hearts and in communion with the Holy Catholic Church, let us offer up our prayers to Almighty God.

Intercessor: I bid your prayers for the church universal throughout the world; for Andrew our bishop, for Kevin and Riscylla his suffragans, for The Anglican Church of Burundi according to the Anglican cycle of prayer, for The Diocese of Jerusalem according to the Diocesan cycle of prayer, and for Nigel Wright, Anneli Pekkonen & Timothy Wright, Michel & Aija Wood, Wendy Woodworth, Robyn Wynberg, James Yuan, and David Yung & Aviva Joel according to the Parish cycle of prayer, and for all who serve and minister to God's people. (*Silence.*)



I bid your prayers for Charles, King of Canada, and for all in civil authority under him in our country, province, and city. May God guide them in the ways of justice and peace; that all may honour one another and serve the common good. (*Silence.*)

Lord, in thy mercy,
We beseech thee, hear our prayer.

I bid your prayers for the world, for those places affected by war, conflict, calamity, or disaster, especially for Israel, Palestine, Ukraine, Sudan, Haiti, and all other places in strife. May God grant us the spirit of respect and forbearance for all nations and peoples. (*Silence.*)

Lord, in thy mercy,
We beseech thee, hear our prayer.

I bid your prayers for all who serve the needs of others in our community, for the volunteers and guests of the Friday Food Ministry, and for all those who labour in and use shelters, drop-in programs, foodbanks, and other social services. May God aid us to love him with all our hearts, souls, minds, and strength, and to love our neighbours as ourselves. (*Silence.*)

Lord, in thy mercy,
We beseech thee, hear our prayer.

I bid your prayers for God's blessings upon all people, giving thanks to God for the people, neighbours, and friends of this parish, and especially for all those present in person or via livestream, and for newcomers and visitors this morning, both near and far. [We give thanks especially on this day for _____.] And for [_____ and] all other thanksgivings we now name, silently or aloud. May God's abiding presence be with us always, that we may be a blessing to all people. (*Silence.*)

Lord, in thy mercy,
We beseech thee, hear our prayer.

I bid your prayers for all those in need, for the sick_____, and for all those suffering in mind, body, or estate; for elders, for prisoners, for refugees and migrants, for the oppressed, for those who mourn, and for all others for whom our prayers are asked_____. May God grant that they will be comforted by the ever-present love of our Lord. (*Silence.*)

Lord, in thy mercy,
We beseech thee, hear our prayer.

I bid your prayers for the souls of the departed, especially_____ who have died in recent days, and those whose year's mind is at this time _____, that they may share with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Blessed Thomas, and all the saints in God's eternal kingdom. May God grant that their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, may rest in peace and rise in glory. (*Silence.*)

Lord, in thy mercy,
We beseech thee, hear our prayer.

Celebrant Hasten, O Father, the coming of thy kingdom; and grant that we thy servants, who now live by faith, may with joy behold thy Son at his coming in glorious majesty; even Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

INVITATION, CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Ye that do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead the new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways: Draw near with faith, and take this holy Sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to Almighty God, meekly kneeling upon your knees.

Almighty God, **Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men: We acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we from time to time most grievously have committed, By thought, word, and deed, Against thy Divine Majesty. We do earnestly repent, And are heartily sorry for these our misdoings. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may ever hereafter Serve and please thee In newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy Name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Choir alone sings:

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

Holy, Holy, Holy,
Lord God of Hosts:
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.
✠ Blessed is he that cometh
in the Name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

The Celebrant continues,

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus,
Dominus Deus Sabaoth:
Pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua.
Hosanna in excelsis.
✠ Benedictus qui venit
in nomine Domini.
Hosanna in excelsis.

Blessing and glory and thanksgiving be unto thee Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memorial of that his precious death, until his coming again.

Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee; and grant that we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took Bread; and, when he had given thanks, he brake it; and gave it to his disciples, saying, Take, eat; this is my Body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me.

Likewise after supper he took the Cup; and, when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all, of this; for this is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins: Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.

Wherefore, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, we thy humble servants, with all thy holy Church, remembering the precious death of thy beloved Son, his mighty resurrection, and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again in glory, do make before thee, in this sacrament of the holy Bread of eternal life and the Cup of everlasting salvation, the memorial which he hath commanded.

And we entirely desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, most humbly beseeching thee to grant, that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion; And we pray that by the power of thy Holy Spirit, all we who are partakers of this holy Communion may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be unto thee,

Celebrant *People*

O Fa - ther al - might - ty, world with - out ___ end. A - men. ___

THE LORD'S PRAYER

John Merbecke (1505-1585)

Celebrant

And now, as our Sa - viour Christ hath com - mand - ed and taught us, we are bold to say:

People

Our Fa - ther, who art in heav'n, Hal - low - ed be thy Name, Thy king - dom come,

Thy will be done, on earth, as it is in heav'n. Give us this day our dai - ly bread;

and for - give us our tres - pass - es, As we for - give them that tres - pass a - gainst us;

And lead us not in - to temp - ta - tion, But de - li - ver us from ev - il.

For thine is the king - dom, the pow - er and the glo - ry, For ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

FRACTION & PEACE

The consecrated Bread is broken. A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant *People*

The peace of the Lord be al-ways with you. And with thy spi - rit.

PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

All who intend to receive Holy Communion pray together:

We do not presume
to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, Trusting in our own righteousness,
But in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy So much as to gather
up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord, Whose property is
always to have mercy: Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, So to eat the Flesh of
thy dear Son Jesus Christ, And to drink his Blood, That our sinful bodies may
be made clean by his Body, And our souls washed through his most precious
Blood, And that we may evermore dwell in him, And he in us. Amen.

The Choir alone sings:

AGNUS DEI

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.	Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.	Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us thy peace.	Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.

The Celebrant turns to face the People and says,

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Behold the Lamb of God; behold him that taketh away the sin of the world.
**Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldst come under my roof, but speak the
word only, and my soul shall be healed.**

COMMUNION INSTRUCTIONS

All baptized Christians are warmly invited to receive Communion as directed by the Sidespeople. Please receive the host (bread) on the right palm of the hand (supported underneath by the left palm). To receive the cup, gently guide with your hand the base of the chalice. Please refrain from intinction (dipping the host into the cup).

Low gluten communion hosts are available upon request. When you approach for communion indicate to the priest that you require a low gluten host.

If you have not been baptized or are not receiving communion, please cross your arms over your chest in the shape of an X to receive a blessing. If you are not receiving from the cup, please pause to reverence it with a bow before returning to your pew.

If you wish to inquire about baptism for yourself or your child, we would love to speak with you!

COMMUNION DEVOTIONS

An Act of Spiritual Communion, which may be prayed silently by those not receiving:

My Jesus, I believe that thou art truly present in the Holy Sacrament. And since I cannot now receive thee sacramentally, I beseech thee to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself unto thee, and embrace thee with all the affections of my soul. Let me never be separated from thee. Let me live and die in thy love. Amen.

ANIMA CHRISTI

The following devotion may be prayed silently by communicants and non-communicants.

Soul of Christ, sanctify me.
Body of Christ, save me.
Blood of Christ, inebriate me.
Water from the side of Christ, wash me.
Passion of Christ, strengthen me.
O good Jesu, hear me.
Within thy wounds hide me.
Suffer me not to be separated from thee.
From the malicious enemy defend me.

In the hour of my death call me.
And bid me come to thee,
That with thy saints I may praise thee,
For ever and ever. Amen.

COMMUNION HYMN 380

Hail, thou once despisèd Jesus



- 1 Hail, thou once despisèd Jesus, / Hail, thou Galilean King:
Thou didst suffer to redeem us, / Thou didst free salvation bring.
Hail, thou universal Saviour, / Bearer of our sin and shame,
By thy merits we find favour; / Life is given through thy Name.
- 2 Paschal Lamb, by God appointed, / All our sins on thee were laid;
By almighty love anointed, / Thou hast full atonement made.
All thy people are forgiven, / Through the virtue of thy Blood:
Opened is the gate of heaven, / Peace is made 'twixt man and God.
- 3 Jesu, hail! enthroned in glory, / There for ever to abide;
All the heavenly hosts adore thee, / Seated at thy Father's side:
Worship, honour, power, and blessing / Thou art worthy to receive:
Loudest praises, without ceasing, / Meet it is for us to give.

The People kneel.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee that thou dost graciously feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; assuring us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us; and that we are living members of his mystical body, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of thy everlasting kingdom. And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee. And although we are unworthy, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. **Amen.**

ASCENSIONTIDE BLESSING

May the risen Christ who hast passed into the heavens clothe thee with power from on high. And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

EASTERTIDE DISMISSAL

Deacon



Let us go forth in the name of Christ, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

People



Thanks be to God, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

CONCLUDING HYMN

The Lord ascendeth up on high



- 1 The Lord ascendeth up on high, / The Lord hath triumphed gloriously,
In power and might excelling; / The grave and hell are captive led,
Lo! He returns our living Head, / To his eternal dwelling!
- 2 The heavens with joy receive their Lord, / By saints, by angel hosts adored;
O day of exultation! / O earth, adore thy mighty King,
His Rising, his Ascension sing, / With thankful adoration!
- 3 Our great High Priest hath gone before, / Now on his Church his grace to pour,
And still his love he giveth: / O may our hearts to him ascend,
May all within us upward tend / To him who ever liveth!

BOURGEOISE

Arthur Russell 1806-74

The People may be seated for the Postlude. Please maintain an atmosphere of reverent silence in the church during and after the Postlude.

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