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THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

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His Excellency

MOST REVEREND EVELIO MENJIVAR

Auxiliary Bishop of Washington

Celebrant and Homilist at Noon

ORDER OF MASS

PROCESSIONAL HYMN



1. A hymn of glo - ry let us sing! New hymns through-out the
2. The ho - ly ap - os - tol - ic band Up - on the Mount of
3. To whom the shin - ing an - gels cry, "Why stand and gaze up-
4. O ris - en Christ, as - cend - ed Lord, All praise to you let



world shall ring: Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Christ, by a road be-
Ol - ives stand. Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! And with his faith - ful
on the sky?" Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! "This is the Sav-ior!"
earth ac - cord: Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! You are, while end-less



fore un - trod. As - cends un - to the throne of God.
fol - l'wers see Their Lord as-cend in maj - es - ty. Al-le - lu - ia!
Thus they say, "This is his glo-rious tri - umph day!"
a - ges run, With Fa - ther and with Spir - it one.



Al - le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia!

GREETING

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

Assembly: And with your spirit.

PENITENTIAL ACT

Assembly: I confess to almighty God,
and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned,
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,
through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault;
therefore I ask blessed Mary, ever-virgin,
all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Celebrant: May almighty God have mercy on us,
forgive us our sins,
and bring us to everlasting life.

Assembly: Amen.

The musical notation is written on three staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is a simple, flowing line with eighth and quarter notes, often grouped with slurs. The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across notes.

Ky - ri - e, e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e, e - le - i - son.

Chri - ste, e - le - i - son. Chri - ste, e - le - i - son.

Ky - ri - e, e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e, e - le - i - son.

GLORIA

Glo-ri-a in ex-cel-sis De-o. Et in ter-ra pax ho-mi-ni-bus bo-nae vo-lun - ta - tis.

Lau-da - mus te. Be-ne-di-ci-mus te. A-do-ra - mus te. Glo-ri-fi-ca-mus te.

Gra-ti-as a-gi-mus ti - bi pro-pter ma-gnam glo-ri-am tu-am. Do-mi-ne De-us,

Rex cae - les-tis, De-us Pa-ter om - ni - po - tens. Do-mi-ne Fi-li u-ni-ge-ni-te,

Je - su Chri-ste. Do-mi-ne De-us, A-gnus De-i, Fi-li-us Pa - tris. Qui tol - lis pec-

ca-ta mun - di, mi-se-re - re no-bis. Qui tol-lis pec-ca-ta mun-di, su-sci-pe de-

pre-ca-ti-o-nem no - stram. Qui se-des ad dex-ter-am Pa - tris, mi-se-re-re

no - bis. Quo-ni-am tu so-lus San - ctus. Tu so-lus Do - mi - nus.

Tu so-lus Al - tis - si-mus, Je - su Chri-ste. Cum San-cto Spi - ri-

tu, in glo-ri-a De-i Pa - tris. A - - - - men.

(Choir) *Missa Resurrectionis*
 Lord have mercy; Glory to God

Gerre Hancock
 (1934-2012)

COLLECT

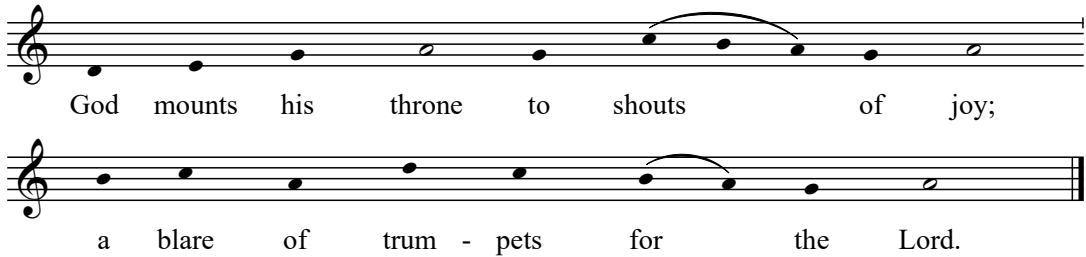
LITURGY OF THE WORD

READING I

Acts 1:1-11

PSALM RESPONSE

Psalm 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9

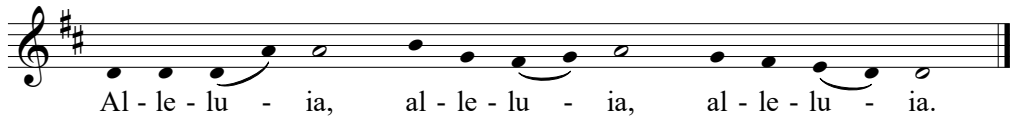


READING II

Ephesians 4:1-13

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Matthew 28:19a, 20b



Go and teach all nations, says the Lord;
I am with you always, until the end of the world.

Deacon: The Lord be with you.
Assembly: And with your spirit.

Deacon: A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.
Assembly: Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL

Mark 16:15-20

HOMILY

PROFESSION OF FAITH

I believe in one God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

(All bow during these two lines.)

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
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.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

Response: Lord, hear our prayer.

NOVENA PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

Come, Spirit of Wisdom, dispose our hearts to know and value the things of heaven
above the things of earth and show us the way to salvation.

Come, Spirit of Understanding, enlighten our minds to the mysteries of salvation
and grant that we may come to a fuller knowledge of you.

Come, Spirit of Counsel, guide us in the way of your commandments.

Incline us to do good. Keep us from evil and bring us to everlasting life.

Come, Spirit of Fortitude, strengthen us in every trial and help us in our struggle
against evil. Never let us be parted from you.

Come, Spirit of Knowledge, help us to see beyond the passing joys of this world
to the glories you have prepared for us.

Come, Spirit of Piety, stir up our hearts to true holiness and love of you.

May we always seek you in spirit and in truth.

Come, Spirit of the Fear of the Lord, teach us ever to set the Lord before us and
to avoid whatever is displeasing to you. Bring us all one day to the
fullness of your love.

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.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

(Choir) *O Clap Your Hands*

Ralph Vaughan Williams
(1872-1958)

O clap your hands, all ye people; shout unto God with a voice of triumph.

For the Lord most high is terrible; he is a great King over all the earth.

God is gone up with a shout, the Lord with the sound of a trumpet. Sing praises.

For God is the King of all the earth; sing ye praises, every one that hath understanding.

God reigneth over the heathen, God sitteth upon the throne of his holiness.

Sing praises unto our King. Sing praises.

(Psalm 46)



1. The head that once was crowned with thorns Is
2. The high - est place that heav'n af - fords Be -
3. The joy of all who dwell a - bove, the
4. To them the cross with all its shame, With
5. The cross he bore is life and health, Though



crowned with glo - ry now; A roy - al di - a -
longs to him by right; The King of kings, and
joy of all be - low, To whom he man - i -
all its grace, is giv'n; Their name an ev - er -
shame and death to him, His peo - ple's hope, his

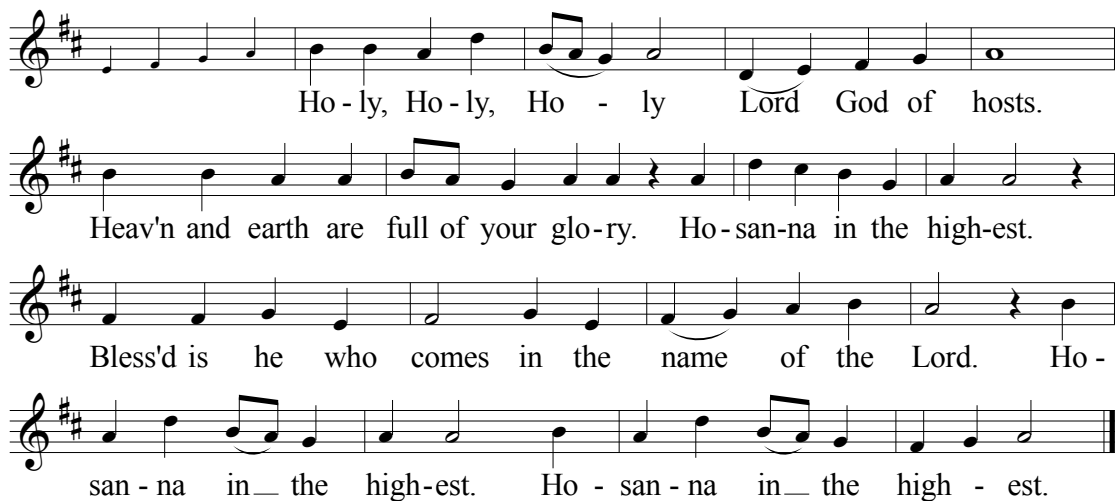


dem a - dorns The might - y vic - tor's brow.
Lord of lords, And heav'n's e - ter - nal light.
fests his love, And grants his name to know.
last - ing name; Their joy the joy of heav'n.
peo - ple's wealth, Their ev - er - last - ing theme.

PREFACE

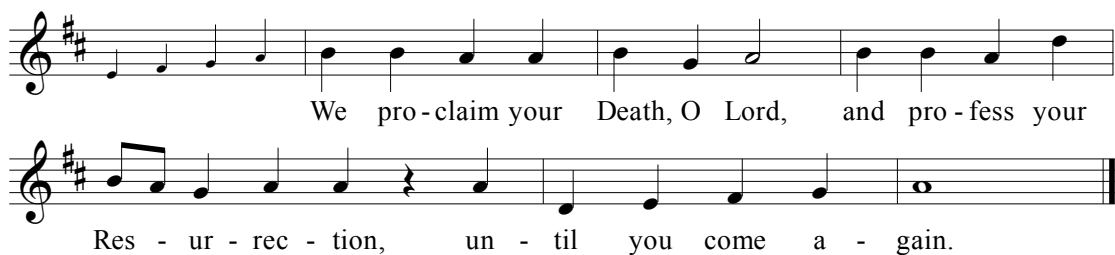
PREFACE DIALOGUE

PREFACE ACCLAMATION



Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts.
Heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na in the high-est.
Bless'd is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high-est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION



We pro-claim your Death, O Lord, and pro-fess your
Res - ur - rec - tion, un - til you come a - gain.

GREAT AMEN



A - men, a - men, a - men.

COMMUNION RITE

LORD'S PRAYER

DOXOLOGY

SIGN OF PEACE

LITANY AT THE BREAKING OF BREAD



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world: have mer-cy on us.



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world: have mer-cy on us.



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

(Choir) *Missa Resurrectionis*
Lamb of God

Gerre Hancock
(1934-2012)

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Today Jesus Christ, the King of glory,
has ascended into the heavens, Alleluia!
He sits at the Father's right hand,
ruling heaven and earth, Alleluia!

(Matthew 28:20)

GUIDELINES FOR THE RECEPTION OF COMMUNION

For Catholics

As Catholics, we fully participate in the celebration of the Eucharist when we receive Holy Communion. We are encouraged to receive Communion devoutly and frequently. In order to be properly disposed to receive Communion, participants should not be conscious of grave sin and normally should have fasted for one hour. A person who is conscious of grave sin is not to receive the Body and Blood of the Lord without prior sacramental confession except for a grave reason where there is no opportunity for confession. In this case, the person is to be mindful of the obligation to make an act of perfect contrition, including the intention of confessing as soon as possible (canon 916). A frequent reception of the Sacrament of Penance is encouraged for all.

For Our Fellow Christians

We welcome our fellow Christians to this celebration of the Eucharist as our brothers and sisters. We pray that our common baptism and the action of the Holy Spirit in this Eucharist will draw us closer to one another and begin to dispel the sad divisions which separate us. We pray that these will lessen and finally disappear, in keeping with Christ's prayer for us "that they may all be one" (John 17:21).

Because Catholics believe that the celebration of the Eucharist is a sign of the reality of the oneness of faith, life, and worship, members of those churches with whom we are not yet fully united are ordinarily not admitted to Holy Communion. Eucharistic sharing in exceptional circumstances by other Christians requires permission according to the directives of the diocesan bishop and the provisions of canon law (canon 844 § 4). Members of the Orthodox Churches, the Assyrian Church of the East, and the Polish National Catholic Church are urged to respect the discipline of their own Churches. According to Roman Catholic discipline, the Code of Canon Law does not object to the reception of communion by Christians of these Churches (canon 844 § 3).

For Non-Christians

We also welcome to this celebration those who do not share our faith in Jesus Christ. While we cannot admit them to Holy Communion, we ask them to offer their prayers for the peace and the unity of the human family.

For Those Not Receiving Holy Communion

All who are not receiving Holy Communion are encouraged to express in their hearts a prayerful desire for unity with the Lord Jesus and with one another.

United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, 1996

COMMUNION PROCESSION



I will praise your name for ev - er, my King and my God.

(Choir) *Ascendens Christus in altum*

Tomás Luis de Victoria
(1548-1611)

*Ascendens Christus in altum, Alleluia:
Captivam duxit, captivitatem, Alleluia.
Dedit dona hominibus, Alleluia.
Ascendit Deus in jubilatione,
et Dominus in voce tubae, Alleluia.
Dedit dona hominibus, Alleluia.*

Christ, ascending on high, Alleluia:
Has led captivity captive, Alleluia.
He has given gifts to men, Alleluia.
God has ascended with joy,
And the Lord with the voice of a trumpet, Alleluia.
He has given gifts to men, Alleluia.

(Choir) *Coelos ascendit hodie*

Charles Villiers Stanford
(1852-1924)

*Coelos ascendit hodie,
Jesus Christus Rex gloriae,
Alleluia!
Gubernat coelum et Sedet
ad Patris dexteram,
Alleluia!
Jam finem habent omnia,
Patris Davidis carmina, Domino,
Alleluia!
Sedet in Dei solio,
In hoc triumpho maximo,
Alleluia!
Benedicamus Domino,
Laudatur Sancta Trinitas,
Deo dicamus gratias,
Alleluia!*

Today Jesus Christ, the King of glory,
has ascended into the heavens,
Alleluia!
He sits at the Father's right hand,
ruling heaven and earth,
Alleluia!
Now are David's songs fulfilled,
now is the Lord with his Lord,
Alleluia!
He sits upon the royal throne of God,
in this his greatest triumph,
Alleluia!
Let us bless the Lord:
let the Holy Trinity be praised,
let us give thanks to the Lord,
Alleluia!

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

Assembly: And with your spirit.

Celebrant: May almighty God bless you,
the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit.

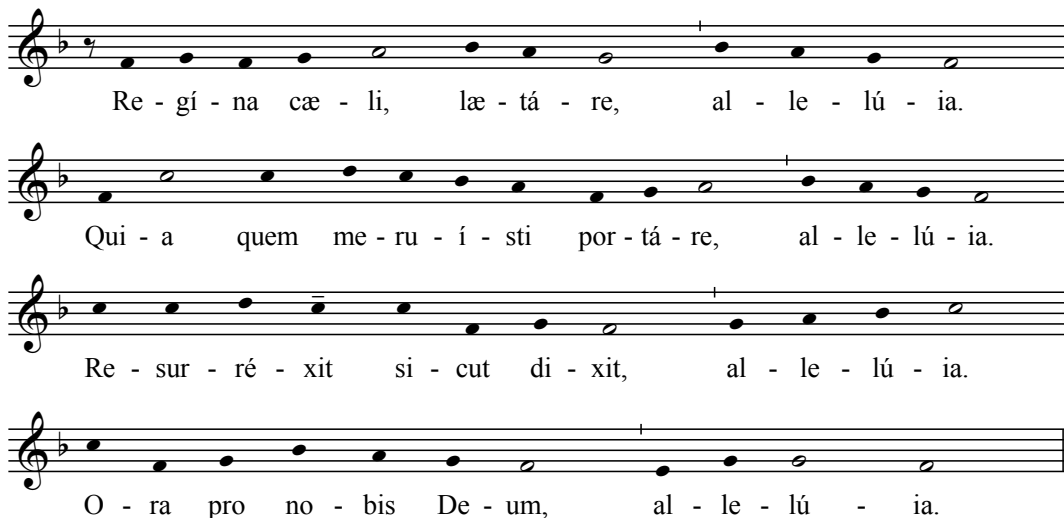
Assembly: Amen.

Deacon: Go forth, the Mass is ended.

Assembly: Thanks be to God.

*At the conclusion of the Eucharist, all mothers in the assembly are invited
to come to the sanctuary to receive a token of appreciation.*

*May the intercession of Mary, Mother of God, obtain for all mothers the wisdom, strength and
love they need to care for their families as she did for Jesus.*



Re - gí - na cæ - li, læ - tá - re, al - le - lú - ia.

Qui - a quem me - ru - í - sti por - tá - re, al - le - lú - ia.

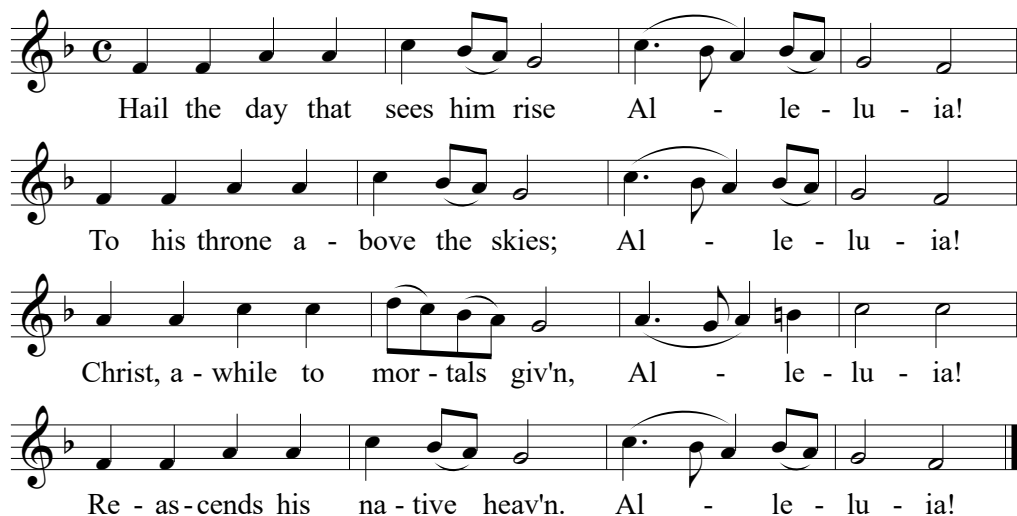
Re - sur - ré - xit si - cut di - xit, al - le - lú - ia.

O - ra pro no - bis De - um, al - le - lú - ia.

*Queen of heaven, rejoice, alleluia. The Son you merited to bear, alleluia,
Has risen as he said, alleluia. Pray to God for us, alleluia.*

RECESSIONAL HYMN

*We ask you to respect our custom of standing in place
and singing the complete Recessional Hymn.*



The musical score is written for a single melodic line on a treble clef staff. The key signature has one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is common time (C). The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a mix of quarter, eighth, and half notes, and some rests. The lyrics are written below the staff, with the French text in italics and the English text in a standard font. The lyrics are: *Hail the day that sees him rise* Al - le - lu - ia! *To his throne a - bove the skies;* Al - le - lu - ia! *Christ, a - while to mor - tals giv'n,* Al - le - lu - ia! *Re - as - cends his na - tive heav'n.* Al - le - lu - ia!

Hail the day that sees him rise Al - le - lu - ia!

To his throne a - bove the skies; Al - le - lu - ia!

Christ, a - while to mor - tals giv'n, Al - le - lu - ia!

Re - as - cends his na - tive heav'n. Al - le - lu - ia!

POSTLUDE

Prière à Notre-Dame

Léon Boëllmann
(1862-1897)

SUNG VESPERS AT THE BASILICA

We invite you to join us in celebrating Sung Vespers.

Sundays of the Easter Season at 4:00 P.M.

4:30 P.M. Mass following

May 12, 19

Great Upper Church

*All are welcome to this special celebration of
Evening Prayer during the season of Easter.*

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6:00 P.M., Great Upper Church

Free and open to the public

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