



## Fifth Sunday of Easter

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Call to Worship

Meditation

Jonathan Hannau

### INTRODUCTORY RITE

*Please stand.*

Gathering Song

Ever We Praise You

Liam Lawton

And all the earth  
shall sing of your justice and truth.  
And all the earth  
shall pray for your people renewed.  
We will praise you in wonder and awe:  
Alleluia!

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1. Ever we praise you, O God of all myst'ry,  
ever proclaim you in prayer.  
Ever we praise you in time and in hist'ry,  
our light in darkness each day.  
You are there, you are there!

2. Ever we call you when our hearts are broken,  
never we cry out in vain.  
Ever we hear you in words you have spoken,  
for you have called us by name.  
You are there, you are there!
3. Ever we see you in eyes of another,  
never in judgement or shame.  
Ever we share you in bread that is broken,  
ever sing praise to your name.  
You are there, you are there!

### SPRINKLING RITE

Blessing of Water

## Glory to God

*from Mass of St. Ann*

Ed Bolduc

Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you  
we bless you,  
we adore you,  
we glorify you  
we give you thanks for your great glory,  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
O God, Almighty Father

Lord Jesus Christ Only Begotten Son,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father  
you take away the sins of the world,

have mercy on us;  
you take away the sins of the world,  
receive our prayer  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,  
have mercy on us.

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

## Collect (opening prayer)

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

*Please be seated.*

## Reading I

Acts 9:26-31

When Saul arrived in Jerusalem he tried to join the disciples,  
but they were all afraid of him,  
not believing that he was a disciple.  
Then Barnabas took charge of him and brought him to the apostles,  
and he reported to them how he had seen the Lord,  
and that he had spoken to him,  
and how in Damascus he had spoken out boldly in the name of Jesus.  
He moved about freely with them in Jerusalem,  
and spoke out boldly in the name of the Lord.  
He also spoke and debated with the Hellenists,  
but they tried to kill him.  
And when the brothers learned of this,  
they took him down to Caesarea  
and sent him on his way to Tarsus.

The church throughout all Judea, Galilee, and Samaria was at peace.  
It was being built up and walked in the fear of the Lord,  
and with the consolation of the Holy Spirit it grew in numbers.

*Lector: The Word of the Lord*

**ALL: Thanks be to God.**

## Response

### I Will Praise You Lord

Psalm 22

Tony Alonso

I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people.

1. I will fulfill my vows before those who fear the LORD.  
The lowly shall eat their fill;  
they who seek the LORD shall praise him:  
“May your hearts live forever!”
2. All the ends of the earth  
shall remember and turn to the LORD;  
all the families of the nations  
shall bow down before him.
3. To him alone shall bow down  
all who sleep in the earth;  
before him shall bend  
all who go down into the dust.
4. And to him my soul shall live;  
my descendants shall serve him.  
Let the coming generation be told of the LORD  
that they may proclaim to a people yet to be born  
the justice he has shown.

## Reading II

1 John 3:18-24

Children, let us love not in word or speech  
but in deed and truth.

Now this is how we shall know that we belong to the truth  
and reassure our hearts before him  
in whatever our hearts condemn,  
for God is greater than our hearts and knows everything.  
Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us,  
we have confidence in God  
and receive from him whatever we ask,  
because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him.  
And his commandment is this:  
we should believe in the name of his Son, Jesus Christ,  
and love one another just as he commanded us.  
Those who keep his commandments remain in him, and he in them,  
and the way we know that he remains in us  
is from the Spirit he gave us.

*Lector: The Word of the Lord*

**ALL: Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand.*

## Gospel Acclamation

*from Mass of St. Ann*

Ed Bolduc

My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord.  
I know them, and they follow me.

Jesus said to his disciples:  
“I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower.  
He takes away every branch in me that does not bear fruit,  
and every one that does he prunes so that it bears more fruit.  
You are already pruned because of the word that I spoke to you.  
Remain in me, as I remain in you.  
Just as a branch cannot bear fruit on its own  
unless it remains on the vine,  
so neither can you unless you remain in me.  
I am the vine, you are the branches.  
Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit,  
because without me you can do nothing.  
Anyone who does not remain in me  
will be thrown out like a branch and wither;  
people will gather them and throw them into a fire  
and they will be burned.  
If you remain in me and my words remain in you,  
ask for whatever you want and it will be done for you.  
By this is my Father glorified,  
that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.”

*Priest: The Gospel of the Lord*

**ALL: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

*Please be seated.*

## Homily

### Profession of Faith (Nicene Creed)

*Please stand.*

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,

*(bowing)*

*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.

## Universal Prayer

The response is: "Lord, hear our prayer."

## LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

*Please be seated.*

### Preparation Song

Were I the Perfect Child of God

John L. Bell  
Arr. Tony Alonso

1. Were I the perfect child of God  
whose faith was deep and love was broad,  
Not doubtful, guilty, worn or flawed,  
I'd gladly follow Jesus.  
But I'm the child of what I've been,  
estranged by much I've done and seen,  
afraid to show the love I mean,  
unfit to follow Jesus.
2. Yet God, who knows me first and last,  
who's seen my best, my worst, my past  
has shown his love intense and vast  
by meeting me in Jesus.  
For Christ, though killed at Calvary  
by sins like mine and folk like me,  
has ris'n, forgiv'n and set me free,  
made fit to follow Jesus.
3. Then sprinkle water on my brow  
As, in this place, I make my vow  
to love and love my Savior now  
and give myself to Jesus.  
God grant me what I still require  
That I, in others might inspire  
the hidden hope, the deep desire  
to love and follow Jesus.

### PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

*Please stand.*

*Priest: Pray that our sacrifice may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.*

**All: May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of His name, for our good and the good of all His Holy Church.**

### Holy, Holy, Holy

*from Mass of St. Ann*

Ed Bolduc

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts. 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.

*Please kneel.*

### Mystery of Faith

*from Mass of St. Ann*

Ed Bolduc

Save us, savior of the world. For by your cross and resurrection you have set us free.

### Great Amen

*from Mass of St. Ann*

Ed Bolduc

Amen.

# COMMUNION RITE

*Please stand.*

## Our Father

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.

*The priest continues* "Deliver us ... for the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ."

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are Yours, now and forever.

## Sign of Peace

### Lamb of God

*from* Mass of St. Ann

Ed Bolduc

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world. Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world. Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world. Grant us peace.

*Please kneel.*

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Celebrant: "Behold the Lamb of God ... Supper of the Lamb."

Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

*During communion we welcome everyone to walk forward to receive communion or a blessing. To help keep everyone safe, please follow all current Covid-19 related guidelines while receiving communion. If you'd like to receive a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest.*

## Communion Song

I Will Be the Vine

Liam Lawton

I will be the vine and you will be the branches.  
All you who live in me will never, never die.  
I will be the sign, I will offer many chances;  
so live, oh live in me and you shall have new life.

1. Remain in me, as I remain in you.  
You may ask what you will, ask what you will  
and you shall receive.

2. As the Father loved me, so have I loved you.  
Remain in my love, remain in my love,  
and I will give you life.

3. If you are my friends, you will live my commands.  
There is no greater love, no greater love  
than to lay down your life for your friends.

## Prayer After Communion

### Announcements

### Blessing and Dismissal

### Sending Forth

#### We Are One

Chris de Silva

We are one, one in the body, one in the Spirit of our Lord.  
Here, we become food for the hungry, drink for the thirsty  
at this table of love, by faith we are all made one.

1. Beyond the bread we break,  
we live the promise of new life.  
Beyond the cup we take,  
we share our lives with one another:  
then we'll know the presence of God.
2. As we receive your love,  
we look to give love in return,  
and we believe your love  
will change our hearts to end division:  
then we'll know the presence of God.
3. Summoned as food for all,  
we take the gospel to the world.  
When we do good for all,  
we hear the call to choose compassion:  
then we'll know the presence of God.

*Thank you for praying with us, we're happy that you're here.*

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