Holy Eucharist

Easter Day

Sunday, April 4, 2021

Liturgy of the Word

Entrance Rite

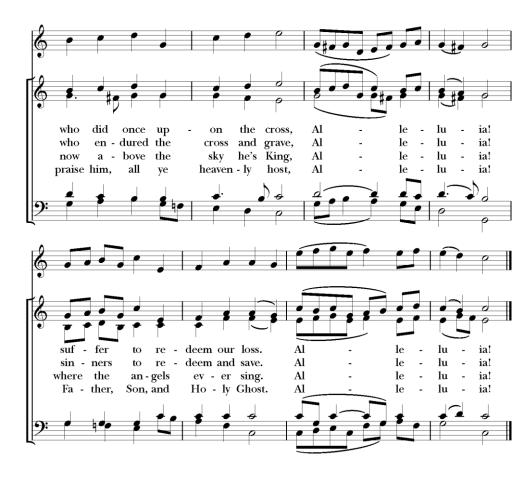
At the sound of the bell, all stand for the Entrance of the Ministers into the church.

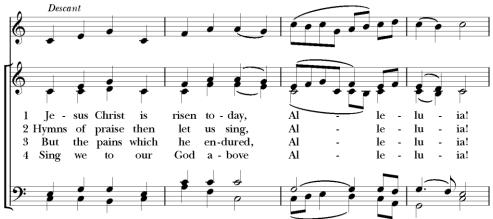
Hymn

Jesus Christ is risen today



Hymnal 207







All standing, the Celebrant says

PeopleBlessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever.
Amen.

The Celebrant says the Collect for Purity

The following is sung, all standing





Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People	And also with you.
Celebrant	Let us pray.

O God, who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection delivered us from the power of our enemy: Grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

First Reading

Isaiah 25:6-9

All sit.

On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear.
And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death forever.
Then the Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken.
It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the LORD for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

Reader	The Word of the Lord.

People	Thanks be to	God
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Psalm

Remain seated.

Psalm 118:1-2,14-24

Confitemini Domino

¹ Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; * his mercy endures for ever.

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- 2 Let Israel now proclaim, *"His mercy endures for ever."
- 14 The LORD is my strength and my song, * and he has become my salvation.
- ¹⁵ There is a sound of exultation and victory * in the tents of the righteous:
- 16 "The right hand of the LORD has triumphed! * the right hand of the LORD is exalted! the right hand of the LORD has triumphed!"
- 17 I shall not die, but live, *and declare the works of the LORD.
- 18 The LORD has punished me sorely, * but he did not hand me over to death.
- 19 Open for me the gates of righteousness; * I will enter them; I will offer thanks to the LORD.
- 20 "This is the gate of the LORD; * he who is righteous may enter."
- ²¹ I will give thanks to you, for you answered me * and have become my salvation.
- ²² The same stone which the builders rejected * has become the chief cornerstone.
- 23 This is the LORD's doing, *and it is marvelous in our eyes.
- 24 On this day the LORD has acted; * we will rejoice and be glad in it.

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 15:19-26

If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being; for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ. But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has destroyed every ruler and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

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

All stand.

That Easter day with joy was bright

Hymnal 193

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Holy Gospel

Mark 16:1-8

All stand.

PriestThe Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.PeopleGlory to you, Lord Christ.

When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint Jesus. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you." So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

Priest	The Gospel of the Lord.
People	Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

Nicene Creed

All stand.

Prayers of the People: Form 1

All remain standing.

Peace

All stand.

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

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Announcements

Announcements may be made at this point in the service.

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Holy Communion

Offertory Hymn

He is risen, he is risen



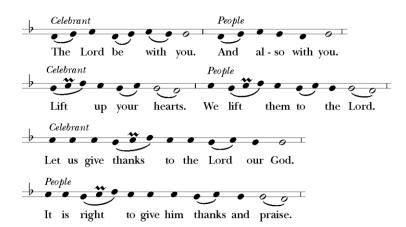
Representatives of the congregation bring the people's offerings of bread and wine, and money or other gifts, to the deacon or celebrant. The people stand while the offerings are presented and placed on the Altar.

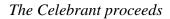
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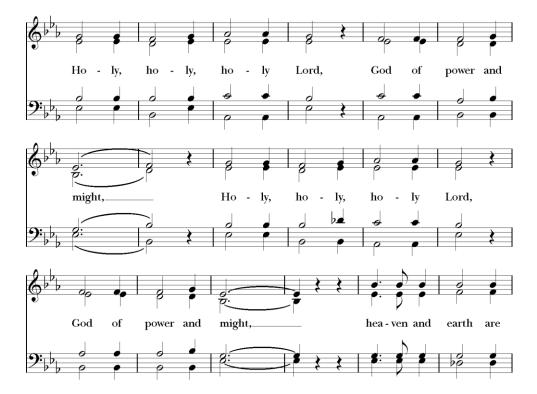
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Eucharistic Prayer B

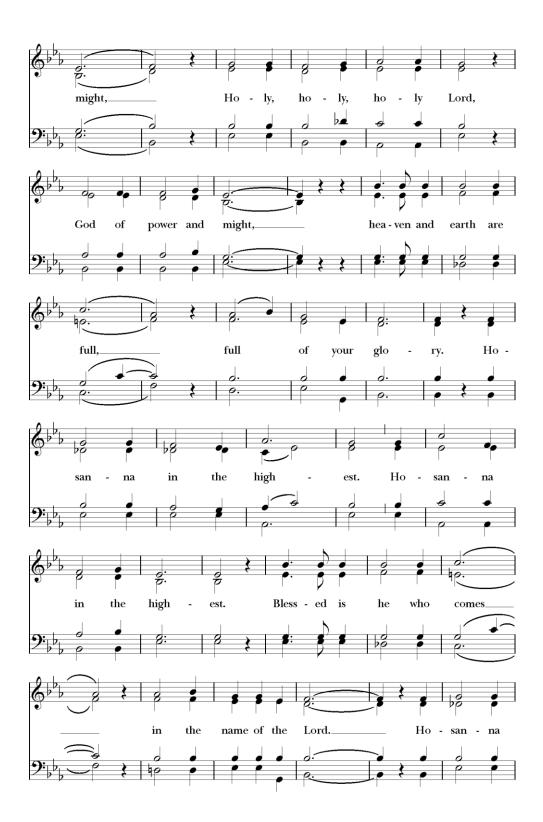
The people remain standing.











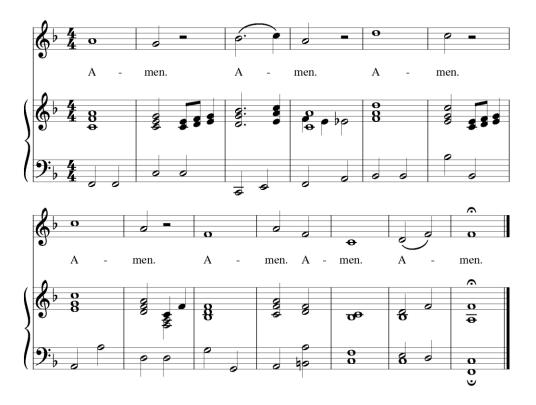


The people stand or kneel.

The Celebrant continues

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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.



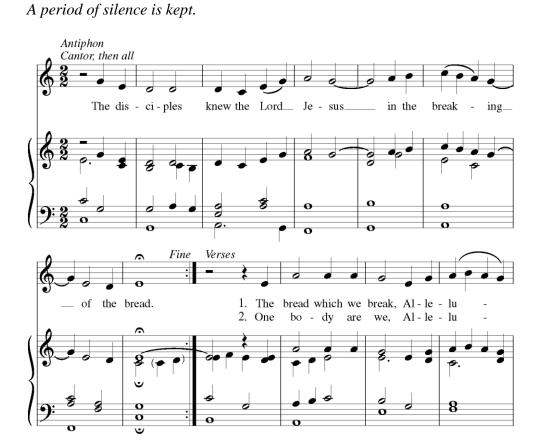
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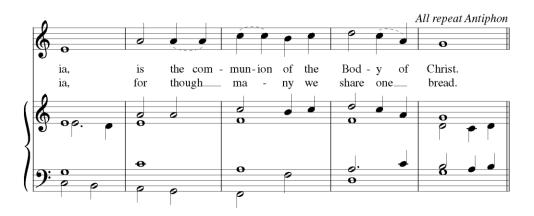
As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

People and Celebrant

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

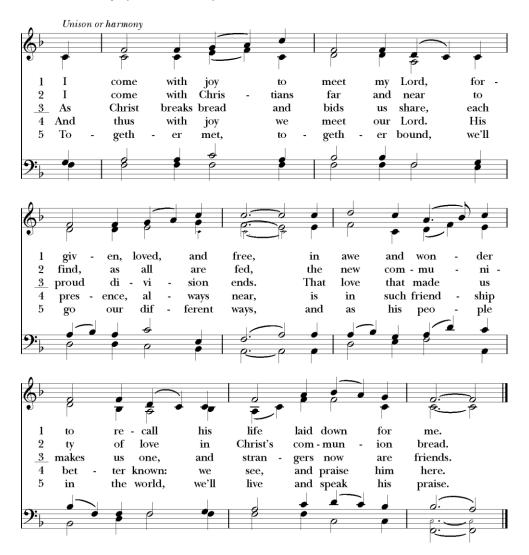




All baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

Communion Hymn

I come with joy to meet my Lord



Hymnal 304

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Postcommunion Prayer

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

Blessing

The priest blesses the people, saying

May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing. *Amen.*

May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever. *Amen*.

May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance. *Amen*.

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. *Amen*.

Postcommunion Hymn

Jesus is Lord of all the earth

Hymnal 178



The descant may be sung after stanzas 3 and 4.



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Dismissal

Deacon	Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
People	Thanks be to God.

A Note on Today's Readings

The Sunday of the Resurrection: Easter Day—Year C

Welcome to our parish on the Feast of the Lord's Resurrection. Today the Church completes its three great days of celebrating redemption. Since Maundy Thursday, we have been involved in an extended liturgy which will be brought to its conclusion today.

This is the celebration of the Passover of Christ from death to life. It is also the celebration of our own Passover in Holy Baptism in which "we were buried with Christ in his death and raised with him." [*Optional*: Today we baptize new members of the risen Body of Christ. In this action, we, the Church, give birth to new members by water and the Holy Spirit. As the newly baptized rise from the waters the resurrection is made new in our midst.]

[*When the readings are Acts and I Corinthians*] Throughout the fifty days of Easter, the first reading on Sundays is from the Acts of the Apostles rather than from the Old Testament. These weekly readings from Acts describe the life of the first Christians and their proclamation of Christ's resurrection. Today we hear a portion of the sermon Peter preached to Cornelius, the first Gentile Christian. The second reading is Paul's reflection on the meaning of the resurrection. Jesus has won out over death. Death is to be destroyed.

[*When the readings are Isaiah and Acts*] The first reading is Isaiah's vision of the fulfillment of God's kingdom, when all of humanity gathers on God's holy mountain in festivity as death is destroyed and the richness of eternal life is revealed. The second reading from Acts is the first in a sequence we will hear throughout this season describing the joy of the resurrection as it was experienced in the first days of the Church. Today we hear a portion of the sermon Peter preached to the first Gentiles to be baptized.

[*John*] The Gospel reading is the account of the women at the tomb and Jesus' appearance to Mary Magdalene.

[*Luke*] The women come to the tomb and find it empty. Then two men appear and tell them that Jesus has risen, just as he had told them he would.

As we rejoice in our new life in the risen Christ on this day, he comes among us and is made known to us in the breaking of the bread. We, like the women at the tomb and like Peter and the others, are sent forth to tell the world of his

resurrection.

Please feel free to join us in this celebration of God's victory over death. May you find in this gathering the assurance that God is even now raising you to new life.

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