# **Holy Eucharist**

The Third Sunday of Easter

Sunday, May 1, 2022

# Liturgy of the Word

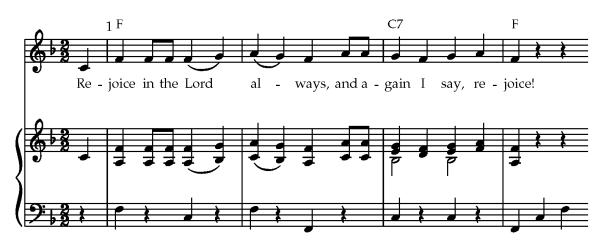
# **Entrance Rite**

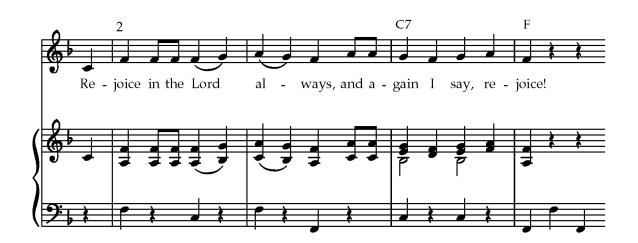
At the sound of the bell, all stand for the Entrance of the Ministers into the church.

# Hymn

Rejoice in the Lord always

Voices Found 162







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All standing, the Celebrant says

People

Alleluia. Christ is risen.
The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

The Celebrant says the Collect for Purity

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*.

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, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for eyer. *Amen*.

First Reading Acts 9:1-20

All sit.

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any who belonged to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. Now as he was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" He asked, "Who are you, Lord?" The reply came, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do."

The men who were traveling with him stood speechless because they heard the voice but saw no one. Saul got up from the ground, and though his eyes were open, he could see nothing; so they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. For three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank. Now there was a disciple in Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, "Ananias." He answered, "Here I am, Lord." The Lord said to him, "Get up and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul. At this moment he is praying, and he has seen in a vision a man named

Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight." But Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints in Jerusalem; and here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who invoke your name." But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is an instrument whom I have chosen to bring my name before Gentiles and kings and before the people of Israel; I myself will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name." So Ananias went and entered the house. He laid his hands on Saul and said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on your way here, has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and his sight was restored. Then he got up and was baptized, and after taking some food, he regained his strength. For several days he was with the disciples in Damascus, and immediately he began to proclaim Jesus in the synagogues, saying, "He is the Son of God."

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

### **Psalm**

Remain seated.

**Psalm 30** BCP p. 621

Exaltabo te, Domine

- I will exalt you, O LORD, because you have lifted me up \* and have not let my enemies triumph over me.
- <sup>2</sup> O LORD my God, I cried out to you, \* and you restored me to health.
- 3 You brought me up, O LORD, from the dead; \* you restored my life as I was going down to the grave.
- 4 Sing to the LORD, you servants of his; \* give thanks for the remembrance of his holiness.
- 5 For his wrath endures but the twinkling of an eye, \* his favor for a lifetime.
- 6 Weeping may spend the night, \*

but joy comes in the morning.

- While I felt secure, I said,
  "I shall never be disturbed. \*
  You, LORD, with your favor, made me as strong as the mountains."
- 8 Then you hid your face, \* and I was filled with fear.
- 9 I cried to you, O LORD; \* I pleaded with the LORD, saying,
- 10 "What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to the Pit? \* will the dust praise you or declare your faithfulness?
- Hear, O LORD, and have mercy upon me; \* O LORD, be my helper."
- 12 You have turned my wailing into dancing; \* you have put off my sack-cloth and clothed me with joy.
- 13 Therefore my heart sings to you without ceasing; \* O LORD my God, I will give you thanks for ever.

Second Reading Revelation 5:11-14

A Reading from the Book of Revelation.

I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels surrounding the throne and the living creatures and the elders; they numbered myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, singing with full voice, "Worthy is the Lamb that was slaughtered to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!" Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, singing, "To the one seated on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!" And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" And the elders fell down and worshiped.

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

# **Sequence**

All stand.



Verse 4:
Jesus, come with us today, greeting neighbors on our way,
Joyously to each proclaim: "Jesus loves us all the same."
Yes, Jesus loves us. Yes, Jesus loves us.
Yes, Jesus loves us. The Bible tells me so.





Holy Gospel John 21:1-19

All stand.

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, "Children, you have no fish, have you?" They answered him, "No." He said to them, "Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the sea. But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off. When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised

from the dead. When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." A second time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep." He said to him the third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go." (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, "Follow me."

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

### Sermon

### **Nicene Creed**

All stand.

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**

All remain standing.

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

The Presider: Let us pray to God with the confidence of baptismal daughters

and sons who stand in the light of the resurrection calling upon

God through the power of the Holy Spirit.

The Leader: Let us pray for the Church throughout the world in all its many

expressions that it may be filled with the new life of the Risen

Crucified Christ. We pray especially for the Anglican Communion, for our own Episcopal Church, for our own

diocese of Indianapolis, its people, parishes, and programs, and for our companion dioceses of Bor and Brasilia. Lord in your

mercy,

The People: *Hear our prayer*.

The Leader: We pray for all the newly baptized who have been united to us

in the one body of Christ that transcends boundaries of time, social status, and denomination. Help each individual Christian to give witness to the unity of the Church in Jesus Christ in how

they treat one another in the love Jesus commanded us to share.

Lord, in your mercy,

The People: *Hear our prayer*.

The Leader: We pray for all the people of this world for whom our Savior

gave up his life that we might know the peace, justice,

forgiveness, and love of God. Help the peoples and nations of the world commit themselves to turn from the ways of war, cruelty, oppression, and prejudice. Guide the leaders of all nations toward dialogue and away from confrontation, toward reconciliation and away from violence, toward inclusion and away from exclusion. And reshape the hearts of all people everywhere who see some group as their enemies to recognize in these enemies the same humanity God has given to all of us.

Lord, in your mercy,

The People: *Hear our prayer*.

The Leader: We pray for all who suffer in any way, especially the sick, the

homeless, the dying, and those who are alone. We remember

especially \_\_\_\_\_, and all others we might

name\_\_\_\_\_. Give all those who suffer healing in the

resurrection power of Christ Jesus our Lord. Lord, in your

mercy,

The People: *Hear our prayer*.

The Leader: We pray for all who have died and now rest with God in

eternity. We remember especially those whom we hold close to our hearts \_\_\_\_\_\_. Give them peace and give us hope through the resurrection of Jesus, that the freedom of new eternal life given to us as baptized might even now penetrate and pervade our lives with faith, hope, and love. Lord, in your

mercy

The People: *Hear our prayer*.

The Presider: All these things, O God, we bring before you as adult children

committed to the world for whom your son gave his life and rose again. This we pray through the power of the Holy Spirit.

The People: Amen.

### **Confession of Sin**

All kneel.

The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence.

Minister and People

God of all mercy,
we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.
We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done,
and the evil done on our behalf.
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us
through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love
and serve only your will. Amen.

The Priest stands and says

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

### **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.

# **Holy Communion**

The Celebrant says

Through Christ let us continually offer to God the sacrifice of praise, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his Name. But do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God. *Hebrews 13:15, 16* 

# **Offertory Hymn**

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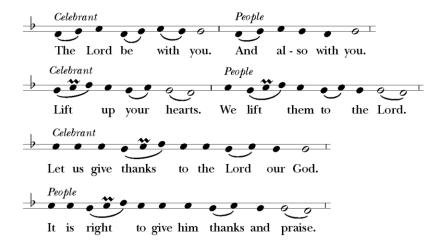
one.

Sing, ye faithful, sing with gladness Hymnal 492 Sing, faith - ful, with glad wake your no - blest, ye sing ness, 2 Sing he him-self how came forth from hea ven, bowed So, tast - ed death for tals, he, hu - man mor Now on high, yet ev er with us, from his Fa - ther's with the sweet - est strain, prais - es of your vior Beth - lehem's cave, stooped wear the ser vant's ture, kind the head, sin less one, a - mong the sin ful, throne the Son rules and guides the world he ran - somed, let gain; allhis house him let your res - ound a bore the pain, the cross, the grave, passed with in the **Prince** of life, thus wrought the a - mong the dead; he till the ap - point - ed work be done, till he see, re your hon and songs alt his reign. mu sic or, ex gates dark - ness, his ban - ished save. of thence ones to full re - demp - tion, and the cap - tor cap tive led.

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.

# **Great Thanksgiving**

The people remain standing.



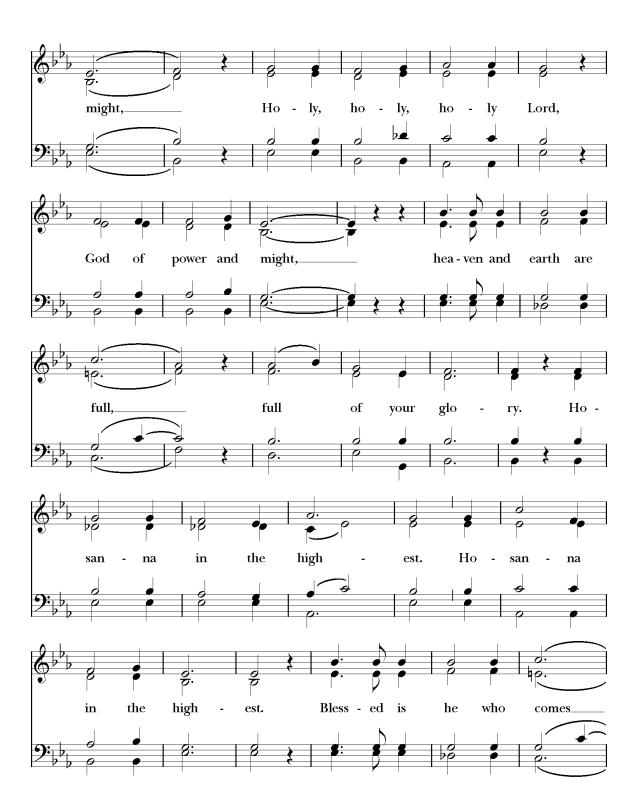
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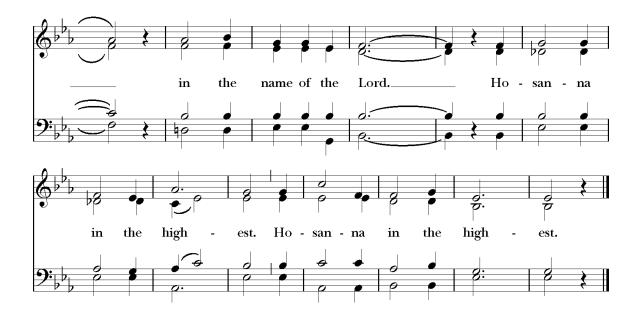
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

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:







The people stand or kneel.

#### 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.

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

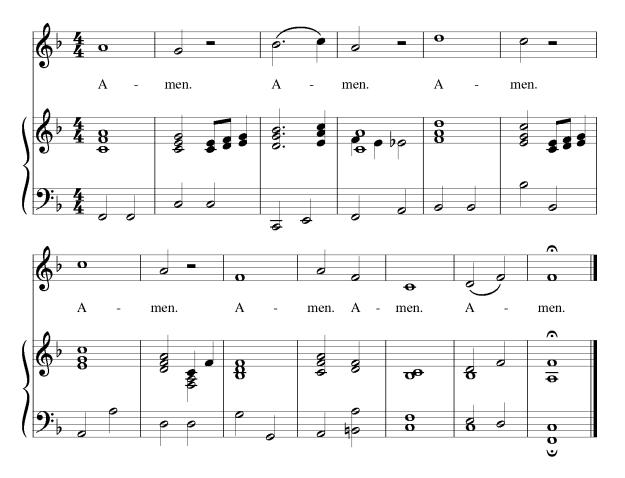
We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

#### 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 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.



The Celebrant then continues

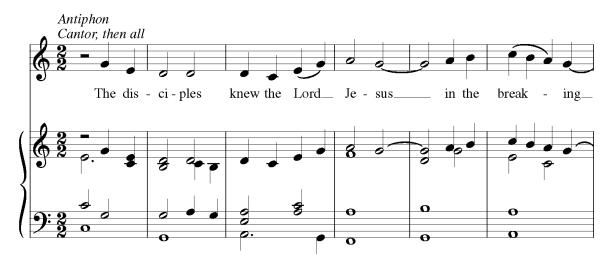
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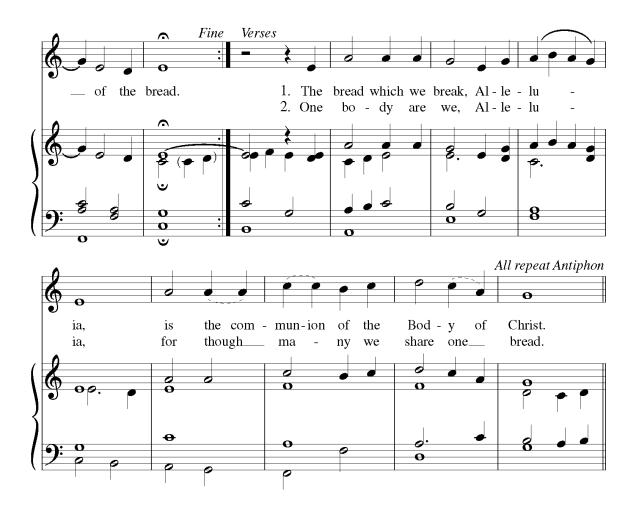
People and Celebrant

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**

A period of silence is kept.





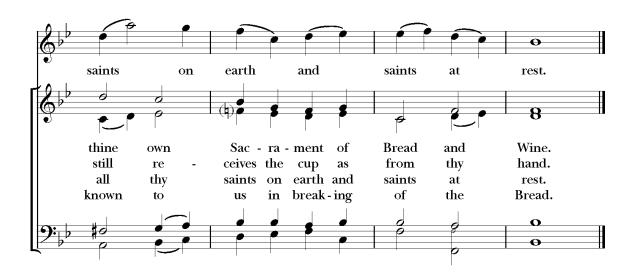
The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

Come, risen Lord, and deign to be our guest





After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom.

And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. 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*.

### **Recessional Hymn**

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain

Hymnal 417





### **Dismissal**

Celebrant Alleluia, alleluia. Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the

power of the Spirit.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

# A Note on Today's Readings

The Third Sunday of Easter—Year C

Welcome to our parish as we begin the third week of the church's celebration of Christ's resurrection. The theme of this Sunday's liturgy is Jesus' revelation of his risen life in the Holy Eucharist: the breaking of bread and sharing of the cup. This year we hear John's account of the meeting that took place between the disciples and the Lord on the shore of the sea of Tiberias. It culminated, as did so many of the resurrection appearances, in the Lord sharing food with his disciples and in that way making himself known to them.

The reading from Acts is the account of Paul's conversion from his stance an enemy of Christ and a persecutor of the church to its greatest missionary and preacher.

The second reading from the Revelation of John envisions the final conversion of the entire human race and of the whole creation. It seems likely that the image of the heavenly worship in this book was inspired by the author's own experience of the church's Eucharistic worship.

From the very beginning of the Church's life, the Holy Eucharist has been a major means of conversion to faith in Christ. The conversion which the Spirit has begun in us in Baptism is nurtured and deepened in Holy Communion. The risen Lord, made known to us in the breaking of the bread, continues his work of redemption in the lives of people in every time and place.

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