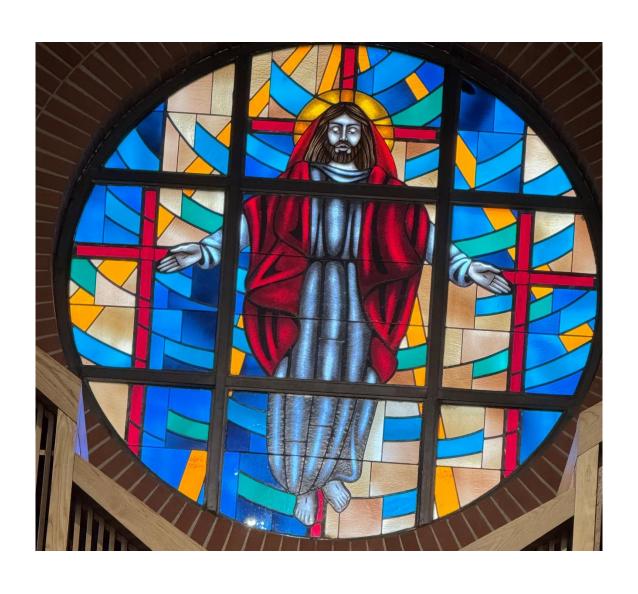
# FEAST OF OUR LORD'S

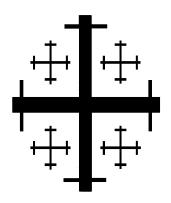
## **ASCENSION**

June 1, 2025

9:30 a.m.



## The Liturgy at Calvary



In today's gospel the risen Christ ascends into heaven and his followers are assured that the Spirit will empower them to be witnesses throughout the earth. The disciples were told to not gaze up into heaven to look for Jesus; we find his presence among us as we proclaim the word and share the Easter feast. We too long for the Spirit to enliven our faith and invigorate our mission.

#### **Prelude**

A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing Tune: Deo Gracias (1415) Setting: Lyndell Leatherman [b. 1953]

#### **Penitential Rite**

#### **Spirit Song**

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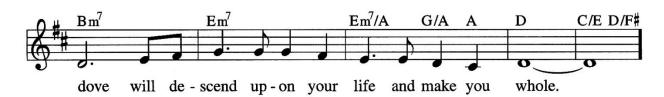


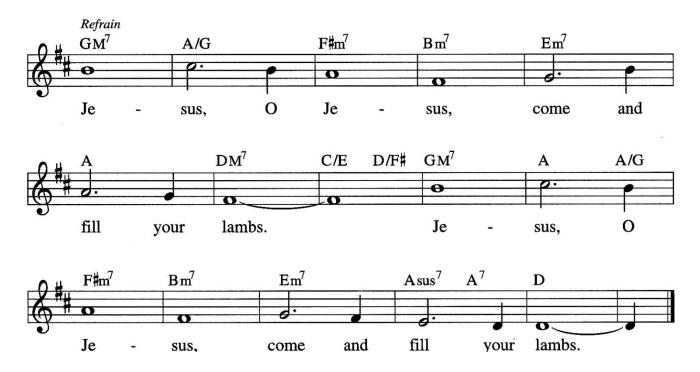
Oh, let the Son of God en - fold you with his Spir - it and his





Oh, let him have the things that hold you, and his Spir - it like a





L Jesus said, "I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end.' Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates" (Revelation 22:13-14). Let us "wash our robes" by confessing our sin.

Silence is kept for confession and reflection

- L O Lord...
- You are most high over all the earth; exalted above all gods. You love those who hate evil; you guard our lives and rescue us from the hand of the wicked. Rejoice in the Lord and give thanks to his holy name! (Psalm 97:9,10,12).
- L The Spirit and the bride say, 'Come.' And let everyone who hears say, 'Come.' And let everyone who is thirsty come. Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift (Revelation 22:17).

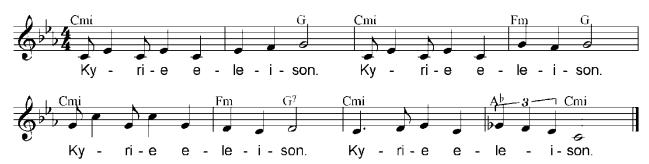
## Reprise The Spirit Song

#### **Apostolic Greeting**

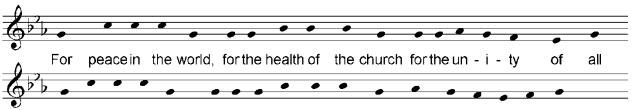
- P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, 

  the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C And also with you.

## **Kyrie Eleison** *Greek,* "Lord, Have Mercy" **All**



#### **Cantor**



for this ho - ly house for all who wor-ship and praise. let us pray to the Lord:







#### **Cantor**

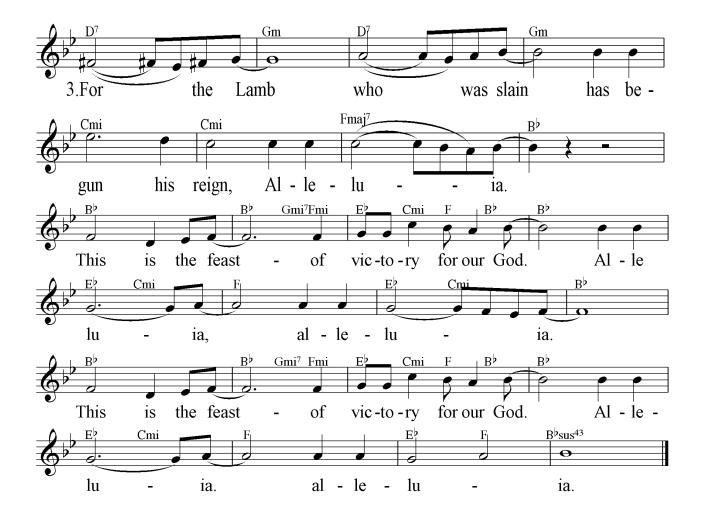


for our life in Christ, which fills us with joy, let us pray to the Lord:

### All Kyrie Eleison

#### **Canticle Of Praise**





### **Prayer Of The Day**

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.

#### P Let us pray...

Almighty God, your only Son was taken into the heavens and in your presence intercedes for us. Receive us and our prayers for all the world, and in the end bring everything into your glory, through Jesus Christ, our Sovereign and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

#### C Amen

#### First Lesson Acts 1:1-11

[Luke writes:] ¹In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning ²until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. ³After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. ⁴While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. "This," he said, "is what you have heard from me; ⁵for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."

<sup>6</sup>So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" <sup>7</sup>He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. <sup>8</sup>But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." <sup>9</sup>When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. <sup>10</sup>While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. <sup>11</sup>They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

- L The Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God!

### Psalm 47 Choir sings vs. 1 All Sing vs. 2-3



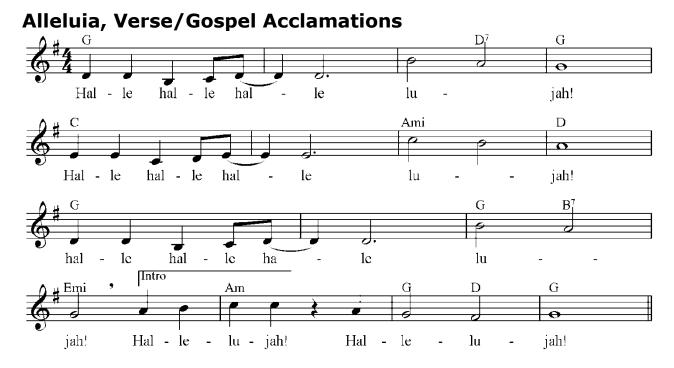
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## **Second Lesson Ephesians 1:15-23**

<sup>15</sup>I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason <sup>16</sup>I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. <sup>17</sup>I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give vou a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, <sup>18</sup>so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, <sup>19</sup> and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. <sup>20</sup>God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, <sup>21</sup> far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. <sup>22</sup>And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, <sup>23</sup>which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

L The Word of the Lord.

#### C Thanks be to God!



## VERSE (Sung by Choir) Let the Holy Spirit be upon you as you witness to all the earth.

#### Reprise Halle, Halle, Halle

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the 24<sup>th</sup> chapter

### C Glory to you O Lord

<sup>44</sup>[Jesus said to the eleven and those with them,] "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled."45Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, <sup>46</sup> and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, <sup>47</sup> and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. <sup>48</sup>You are witnesses of these things. <sup>49</sup>And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high." <sup>50</sup>Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. <sup>51</sup>While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. 52 And they worshiped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; 53 and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

P The Gospel of our Lord

**C** Praise to you O Christ

**Sermon** Pastor Kyle

### **Hymn of the Day**

## The Risen Christ



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#### Creed

We celebrate the 1700<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the adoption of this statement of faith at the Council of Nicaea, in May 325.

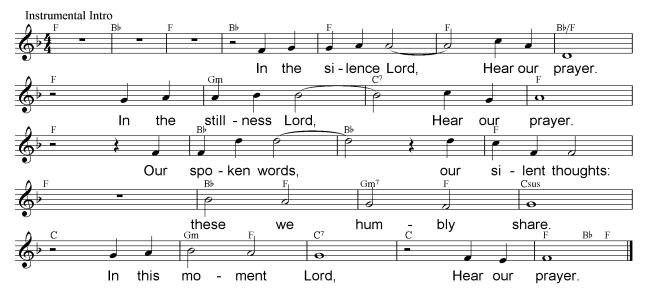
- A Let us profess our faith in the Triune God.
- ALL We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

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 Intercession**

A Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.



after each petition

A Lord in your mercy,

C Hear our prayer.

concluding with

P Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord

#### C Amen

#### **Peace**

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

## C And also with you.

Please greet one another in the name of the Lord

# Offertory Lord Enthroned in Heavenly Splendor Alferd V. Fedak (2009) Sanctuary Choir

Lord enthroned in heavenly splendor, First begotten of the dead. You alone, our strong defender, Now lift up your people's head. Alleluia! Jesus true and living bread!

Here our humble homage pay we; here in loving reverence bow. Here our faith's discernment pray we, Lest we fail to know you now. Alleluia! You are here, we know not how.

Paschal Lamb, your offering finished Once for all when you were slain. In the fullness undiminished Shall forever more remain.

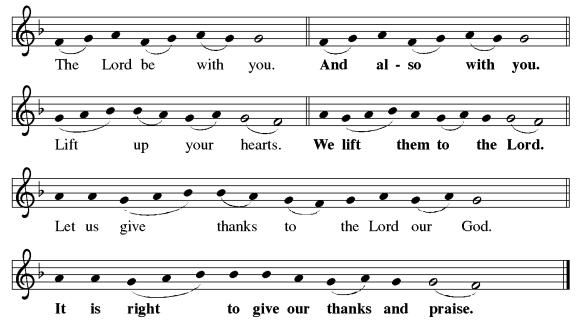
Alleluia! Cleansing us from every stain.

Life imparting heavenly manna, Smitten rock with streaming side. Heaven and earth, with loud hosanna Worship you, the Lamb who died. Alleluia! Risen, ascended, glorified!



- A Let us pray. Merciful Father,
- C we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us - our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

### **Great Thanksgiving**



P It is indeed right and our duty and our joy that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life,

And so, with all the choirs of angels and the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

#### Sanctus & Benedictus Latin, "Holy & Blessed"



### **Eucharistic Prayer**

## **Eucharistic Acclamation**



- P Remember us in your kingdom, O Lord, and teach us to pray.
- C 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. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen
- P Body of Christ given for you. Blood of Christ shed for you.

**Agnus Dei** Latin, "Lamb Of God"





#### **HOLY COMMUNION**

**In-Person:** We commune at the Altar. Ushers will guide.

Online at Home: If you have elements at home, commune with those in attendance at the same time. We encourage you to communion each other and bless children who have not received First Communion. Consider giving this blessing: "Know that the promises of Jesus's love are for you."

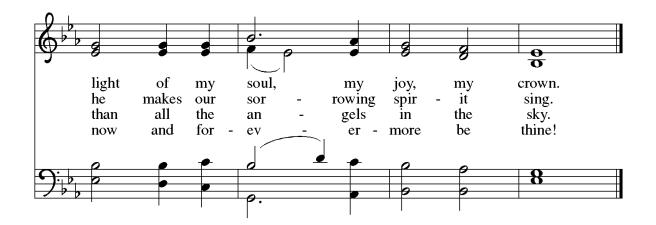
One or more of the following songs may be sung during distribution of the Sacrament:



#### **Beautiful Savior**

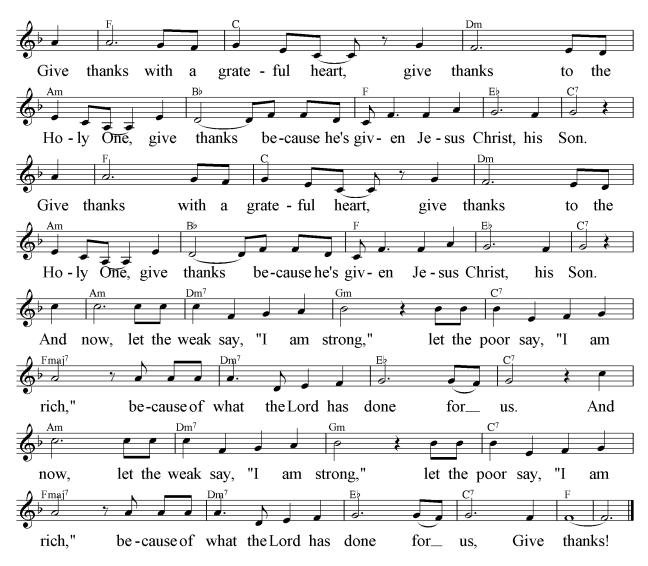
Instrumental Intro
Vs 1, All
Vs 2 Choir
Vs. 3 All acapella
Instrumental Iterlude
Vs. 4 All
Flute, Toni Tharp
Slesian Folk Tune, 1842 Arr. Robert A. Hobby 1989





P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace. **C Amen** 

#### **Post Communion Canticle**



A Let us pray... We give you thanks, generous God, for in this bread and cup we have tasted the new heaven and earth where hunger and thirst are no more. Send us from this table as witnesses to the resurrection, that through our lives, all may know life in Jesus' name.

#### C Amen

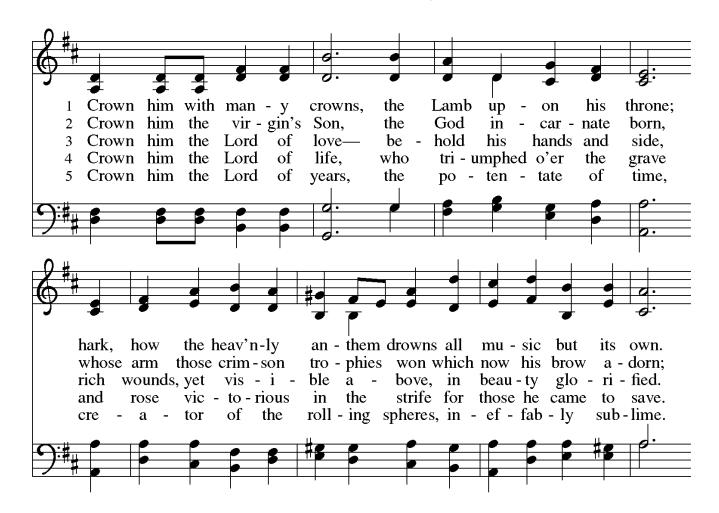
- P The Lord bless you and keep you.

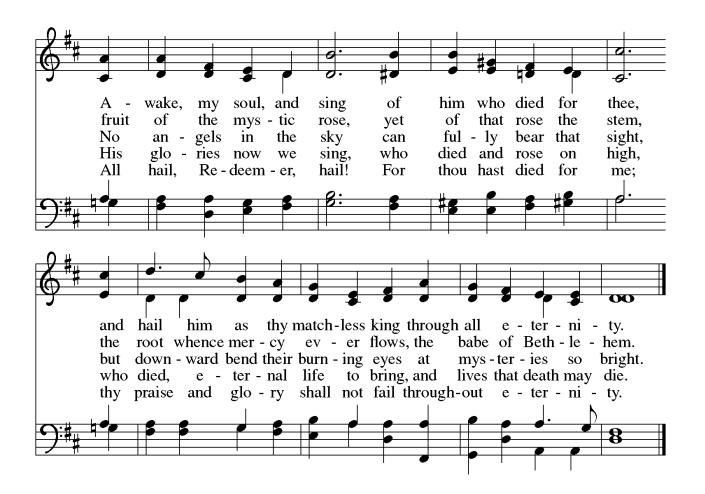
  The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and 

  give you peace.
- C Amen.

#### Recession

## **Crown Him with Many Crowns**





Text: Matthew Bridges, 1800–1894, sts. 1–3, 5; Godfrey Thring, 1823–1903, st. 4 Music: DIADEMATA, George J. Elvey, 1816–1893

A Go in Peace. Serve the Lord!

C Thanks be to God!

Postlude Alleluia, Sing to Jesus Tune: Hyfrydol
Setting by Charles Callahan (1951-2023)

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Blake Kitch, percussion, vocals
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Commemorations This Week

## Justin, martyr at Rome, died around 165 Sunday, June 1, 2025

Born of pagan parents, Justin was influenced by an elderly Christian in Ephesus. He became a teacher of philosophy and the Christian faith. Jailed for practicing an unauthorized religion, he refused to renounce his faith and was beheaded.

## The Martyrs of Uganda, died 1886 Tuesday, June 3, 2025

On June 3, 1886, thirty-two young men were burned to death for refusing to renounce Christianity. The confident manner in which these Christians went to their deaths contributed to a much stronger Christian presence in Uganda.

### John XXIII, Bishop of Rome, died 1963 Tuesday, June 3, 2025

When elected pope, the former Angelo Roncalli was expected to be a short-term caretaker. He showed great spirit, though, and convened the Second Vatican Council which helped bring great changes to Roman Catholic and other churches.

## Boniface, Bishop of Mainz, missionary to Germany, martyr, died 754

#### Thursday, June 5, 2025

Boniface was a native of England who became a Benedictine monk and was called to missionary work among the Vandal tribes of Germany. With fellow workers, he established churches and schools, and he also worked to reform the church.

## Seattle, chief of the Duwamish Confederacy, died 1866 Saturday, June 7, 2025

Noah Seattle led a coalition of tribes, and convinced them to live peacefully with encroaching white settlers. When he became a Roman Catholic, he held morning and evening prayer with his tribe. The city of Seattle is named for him.