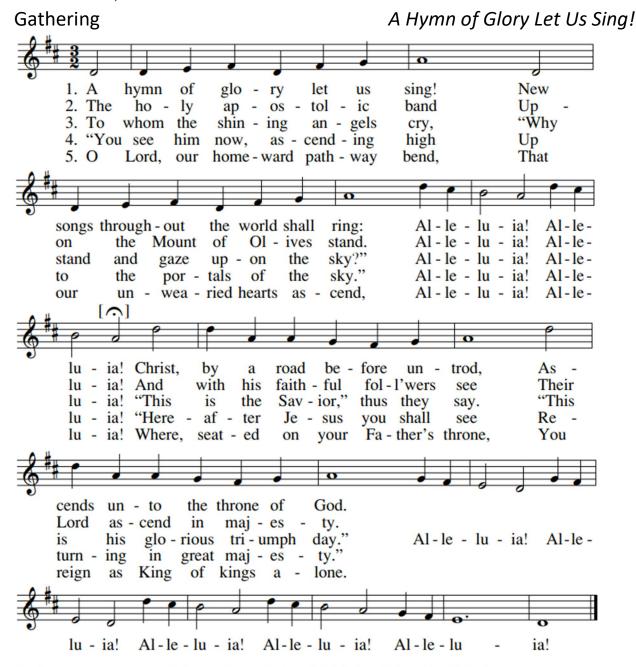


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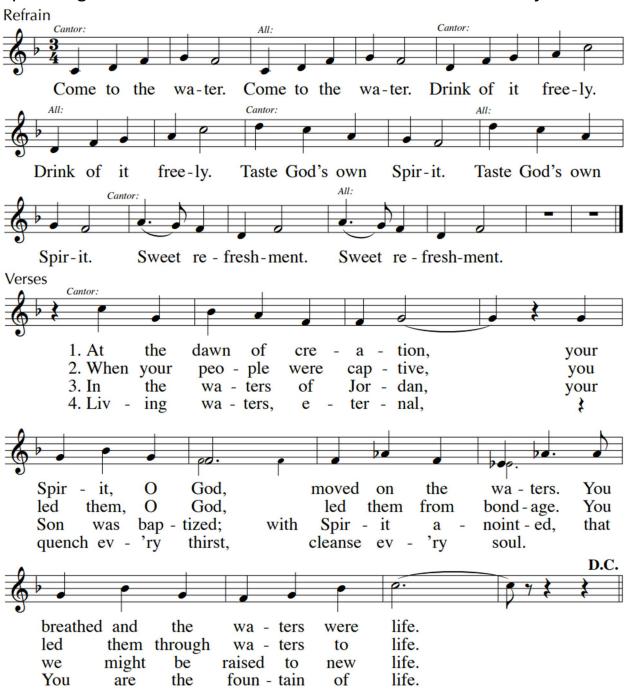
Introductory Rites



Text: Hymnum canamus gloriae; Venerable Bede, 673–735; tr. by Benjamin Webb, 1819–1885, The Hymnal Noted, 1854, alt.
Tune: LASST UNS ERFREUEN, LM with alleluias; Geistliche Kirchengasange, Cologne, 1623; harm. by Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872–1958

Sprinkling Rite

Sweet Refreshment



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Gloria



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Liturgy of the Word

First Reading

Acts 1:1-11 / 58

In the first book, Theophilus, I dealt with all that Jesus did and taught until the day he was taken up, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. He presented himself alive to them by many proofs after he had suffered, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. While meeting with them, he enjoined them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for "the promise of the Father about which you have heard me speak; for John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit."

When they had gathered together they asked him, "Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom of Israel?" He answered them, "It is not for you to know the times or seasons that the Father has established by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, throughout Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him from their sight. While they were looking intently at the sky as he was going, suddenly two men dressed in white garments stood beside them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why are you standing there looking at the sky? This Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven will return in the same way as you have seen him going into heaven."



- 1. All you peoples, clap your hands, shout to God in gladness, the Lord we must fear, king of all the earth.
- 2. God goes up to shouts of joy, sound the trumpet blast. Sing praise to our God, praise unto our king!
- 3. God is king of all the earth, sing with all your skill to the king of all nations, God enthroned on high!

Text: Psalm 47:2–3, 6–7, 8–9; Marty Haugen Music: Marty Haugen © 1983, GIA Publications, Inc.

Second Reading

Ephesians 1:17-23

Brothers and sisters: May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, give you a Spirit of wisdom and revelation resulting in knowledge of him. May the eyes of your hearts be enlightened, that you may know what is the hope that belongs to his call, what are the riches of glory in his inheritance among the holy ones, and what is the surpassing greatness of his power for us who believe, in accord with the exercise of his great might, which he worked in Christ, raising him from the dead and seating him at his right hand in the heavens, far above every principality, authority, power, and dominion, and every name that is named not only in this age but also in the one to come. And he put all things beneath his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church, which is his body, the fullness of the one who fills all things in every way.

Gospel Acclamation



Text: Marty Haugen, b.1950 Tune: O FILII ET FILIAE, 10 10 10 with alleluias; adapt. by Marty Haugen, b.1950 © 1986, GIA Publications, Inc.

Gospel

Mark 16:15-20

Jesus said to his disciples: "Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature. Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved; whoever does not believe will be condemned. These signs will accompany those who believe: in my name they will drive out demons, they will speak new languages. They will pick up serpents with their hands, and if they drink any deadly thing, it will not harm them. They will lay hands on the sick, and they will recover."

So then the Lord Jesus, after he spoke to them, was taken up into heaven and took his seat at the right hand of God. But they went forth and preached everywhere, while the Lord worked with them and confirmed the word through accompanying signs.

Homily

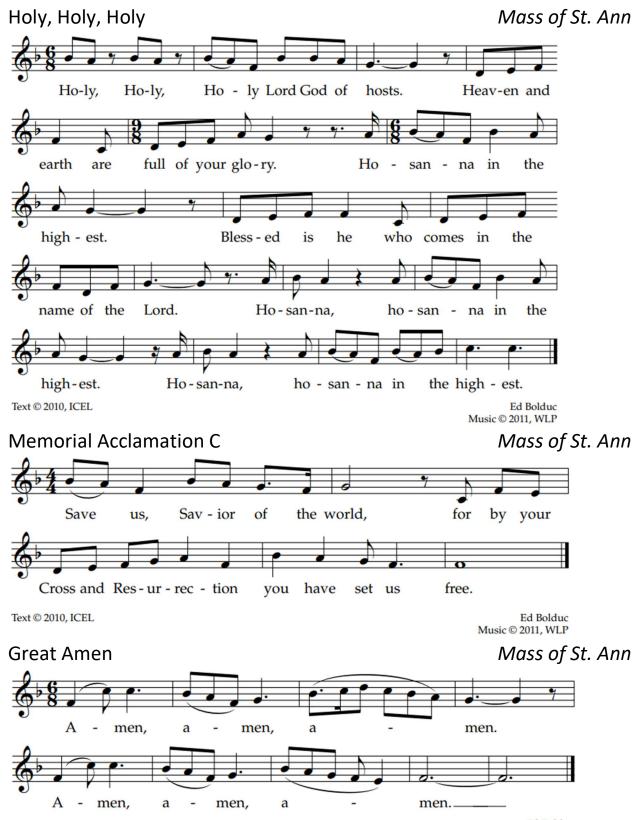
Profession of Faith

Prayers of the Faithful (Rx: Risen Lord, Hear Our Prayer)

Liturgy of the Eucharist

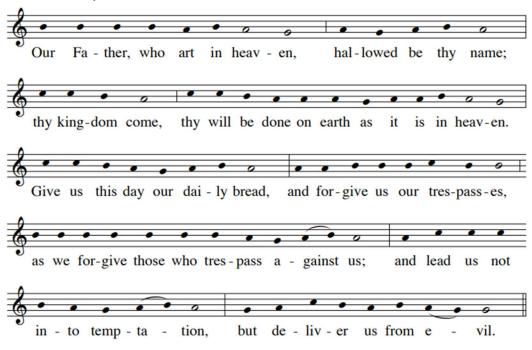


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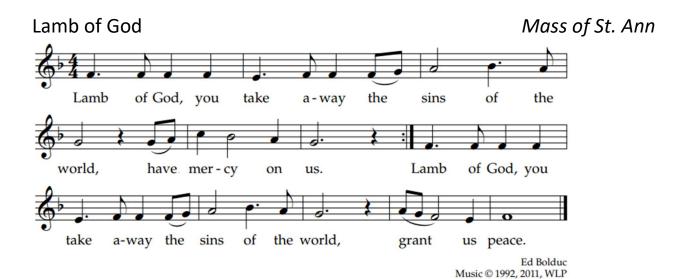
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Lord's Prayer



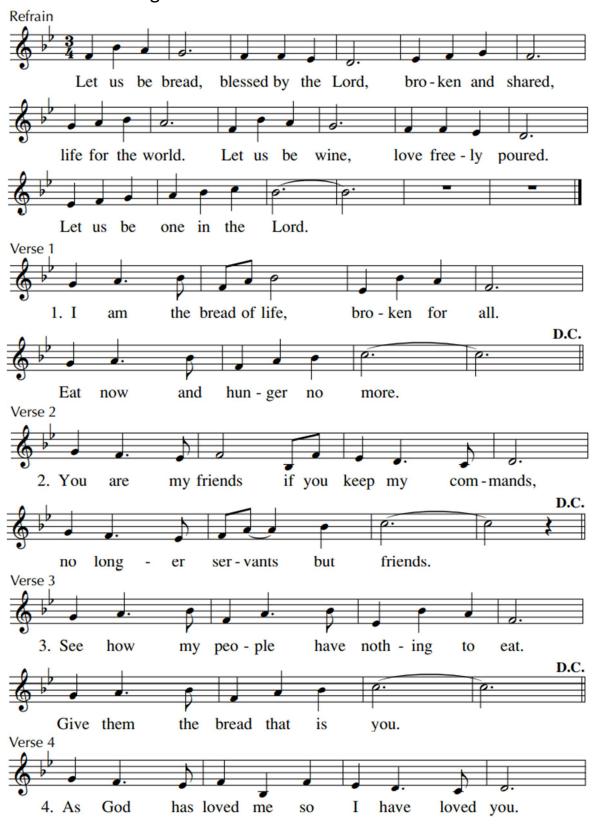
Music: Traditional chant, adapt. by Robert Snow, 1964; acc. by Robert J. Batastini

Sign of Peace



Communion Song

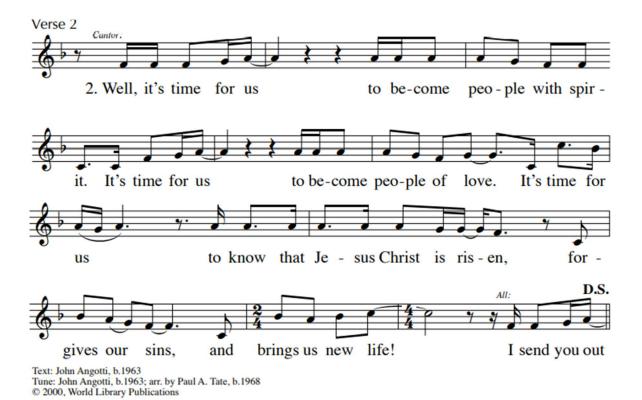
Let Us Be Bread





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