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ORDER OF WORSHIP

SUNDAY, 9:30 AM

WITH ONE VOICE

BREAD OF LIFE, SETTING 5

PRELUDE

(stand)

INVOCATION

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the wellspring of grace, our Easter and our joy.

AMEN.

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Look, here is water!

HERE IS OUR WATER OF LIFE! ALLELUIA!

Immersed in the promises of baptism, let us give thanks for what God has done for us. *(kneel if able)*

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your voice thundered over the deep and water became the essence of life. Adam and Eve beheld Eden's verdant rivers. The ark carried your creation through the flood into a new day. Miriam led the dancing as your people passed through the sea into freedom's land. In a desert pool the Ethiopian official entered your boundless baptismal life.

Look, here is water!

HERE IS OUR WATER OF LIFE! ALLELUIA!

At the river your beloved Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you opened the floodgates of your

reconciling love, freeing us to live as Easter people. We rejoice with glad hearts, giving all honor and praise to you, through the risen Christ, our source of living water, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

AMEN.

Look, here is water!

HERE IS OUR WATER OF LIFE! ALLELUIA!

(stand)

ENTRANCE HYMN

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

AND ALSO WITH YOU.

KYRIE



Ⓐ Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: ☩ Lord, have mer - cy.
Lord, have mer - cy:



Ⓐ Chri - ste e - le - i - son: ☩ Christ, have mer - cy.
Christ, have mer - cy:



Ⓐ Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: ☩ Lord, have mer - cy.
Lord, have mer - cy:

HYMN OF PRAISE

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-

lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. lu - ia.

1. Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
2. Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and
3. Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and
4. Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to
5. For the Lamb who was slain has be -

blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.

hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion.
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.
gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

CELEBRATE

(sit)

FIRST READING

CELEBRATE

The Word of the Lord.

THANKS BE TO GOD.

SECOND READING

CELEBRATE

The Word of the Lord.

THANKS BE TO GOD.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (*stand*)



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
Al - le - lu - ia. You have the words of e - ter - nal life.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL

CELEBRATE

The Gospel of our Lord.

THANKS BE TO GOD.

(*sit*)

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

NICENE CREED (*stand*)

Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

**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 OUR SALVATION HE CAME DOWN FROM HEAVEN, WAS INCARNATE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT AND THE VIRGIN MARY AND BECAME TRULY HUMAN.

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,

WHO WITH THE FATHER AND THE SON IS WORSHIPED AND GLORIFIED, WHO 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 INTERCESSIONS

CELEBRATE

(sit)

CHOIR ANTHEM

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS (*stand*)

(The offering is received as the Lord's table is prepared.)



☐ Let the vine-yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of



bles - sing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were sown,



that we may be fed with the bread of life.



Gath-er the hopes and dreams of all; u - nite them with the prayers we



of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence, Lord,



and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Risen One,

YOU CALL US TO BELIEVE AND BEAR FRUIT. MAY THE GIFTS THAT WE OFFER HERE BE SIGNS OF YOUR ABIDING LOVE. FORM US TO BE YOUR WITNESSES IN THE WORLD, THROUGH JESUS CHRIST, OUR TRUE VINE. AMEN.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

AND ALSO WITH YOU.

Lift up your hearts.

WE LIFT THEM TO THE LORD.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

IT IS RIGHT TO GIVE OUR THANKS AND PRAISE.

PREFACE

It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks...

We praise Your name and join their unending hymn...

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
pow-er and might, heav - en and earth are full of your
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho -
san - na in the high - est.

The musical score is written on six staves in treble clef with a key signature of one flat (Bb). The lyrics are: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est." The music features various note values including quarter, eighth, and half notes, with some notes beamed together and others held as half notes.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

CHRIST HAS DIED. CHRIST IS RISEN. CHRIST WILL COME AGAIN.

LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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.

LAMB OF GOD



☐ Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the



sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The risen Christ is made known to us in the breaking of the bread. Come and eat at God's table.

THANKS BE TO GOD. AMEN.

(sit)

(All are welcome at the Lord's Table, trusting that Jesus Christ is truly present with us as he promised.)

(stand)

BLESSING

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

CHRIST IS RISEN INDEED! ALLELUIA!

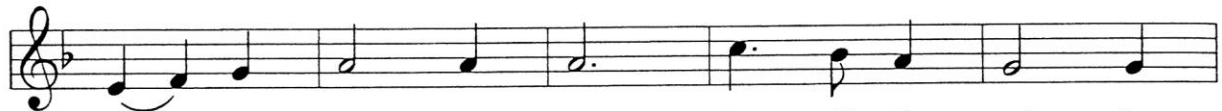
The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy, and the Spirit of Easter hope † bless you now and always.

AMEN.

CANTICLE



☐ Thank - ful hearts and voic - es raise; tell ev - 'ry -



one what God has done. Let all who seek the



Lord re - joice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.



Send us with your prom - is - es, O God,



and lead us forth in joy with shouts



of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Shepherding God,

**YOU HAVE PREPARED A TABLE BEFORE US AND
NOURISHED US WITH YOUR LOVE. SEND US FORTH
FROM THIS BANQUET TO PROCLAIM YOUR GOODNESS
AND SHARE THE ABUNDANT MERCY OF JESUS, OUR
REDEEMER AND FRIEND. AMEN.**

BENEDICTION

Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now
and forever.

AMEN.

CLOSING HYMN

DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.

THANKS BE TO GOD. ALLELUIA!