

Easter Vigil

Recessional

Jesus Christ is Risen Today



1. Je - sus Christ is ris'n to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!
2. Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!
3. But the pains which he en - dured, Al - le - lu - ia!
4. Sing we to our God a - bove, Al - le - lu - ia!



Our tri - um-phant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!
Un - to Christ, our heav'n-ly King, Al - le - lu - ia!
Our sal - va - tion have pro - cured; Al - le - lu - ia!
Praise e - ter - nal, as his love; Al - le - lu - ia!



Who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!
Who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!
Now a - bove the sky he's King, Al - le - lu - ia!
Praise him, now his might con - fess, Al - le - lu - ia!



Suf - fer to re - deem our loss. Al - le - lu - ia!
Sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!
Where the an - gels ev - er sing. Al - le - lu - ia!
Fa - ther, Son, and Spir - it blest. Al - le - lu - ia!

CONCLUDING RITE

Solemn Blessing and Dismissal

Cardinal: May almighty God bless you through today's Easter Solemnity, and, in his compassion, defend you from every assault of sin.

All: *Amen.*

Cardinal: And may he, who restores you to eternal life in the Resurrection of his Only Begotten, endow you with the prize of immortality.

All: *Amen.*

Cardinal: Now that the days of the Lord's Passion have drawn to a close, may you who celebrate the gladness of the Paschal Feast come with Christ's help, and exulting in spirit, to those feasts that are celebrated in eternal joy.

All: *Amen.*

Cardinal: May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

All: *Amen.*

Deacon: Go in peace, alleluia, alleluia!

All: *Thanks be to God, alleluia, alleluia!*

THE EASTER VIGIL IN THE HOLY NIGHT

April 16, 2022

His Eminence Wilton Cardinal Gregory
Archbishop of Washington
Celebrant

Liturgy at eight in the evening

CATHEDRAL OF SAINT MATTHEW THE APOSTLE
Washington, District of Columbia

Easter 2022

My Dear Friends,

It is a joy to be able to welcome you to Saint Matthew’s Cathedral on this glorious Feast of Easter. I do so in the name of Cardinal Wilton Gregory, as well as in my own.

Of all the times we gather as Christian believers, none is more important than this one. Easter is the greatest of all our feasts. It celebrates the mystery that is the very bedrock and foundation of our Christian faith, for, as St. Paul wrote, “If Christ has not risen, our faith is in vain.” (1 Cor. 15:14)

But, Christ HAS risen, and your presence here in the Cathedral both affirms and celebrates that most startling and enduring of all realities. While we do not see him, we know he lives and that he is in our midst breathing life and hope into us, walking alongside us on our pilgrimage of faith, our journey toward the Kingdom.

I have no way of knowing what is in your heart as you come here on this Paschal Vigil of 2022. For some, I am sure, there is joy and a keen sense of hope for the future as Spring with all its promise bursts forth all around us; for others, there may be the pain of illness or the grief that comes from the death of someone close. For all of us, there is the painful paradox of living in a world that is incredibly beautiful yet hopelessly violent at the same time. Death and life are never far apart in our world, it seems. But that is not the whole story. Easter proclaims for all to hear the one thing that really matters, the one thing we need to know above all else: that death does not have the last word. Life does!

My prayer today is that you will be renewed in faith and hope as you join in worship here at St. Matthew’s Cathedral.

If you are a visitor, please know that you are warmly welcomed here. I hope you will find something today that will touch your heart, awaken your spirit, and make you want to return to this holy place again and again. If you are part of the regular family of St. Matthew’s, I take this opportunity to thank you for all the ways you make the Risen Lord Jesus present in this parish and in this city: through your prayer, your faith, and your love that overflows in such generous and unselfish service, especially to the poor.

May the blessings of the Risen Lord Jesus be yours in abundance.

Rev. Msgr. W. Ronald Jameson
Rector

Communion Hymn

Pablo Sosa

Estrillo / Refrain

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Communion Hymn

Marty Haugen

Refrain

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Communion Motet

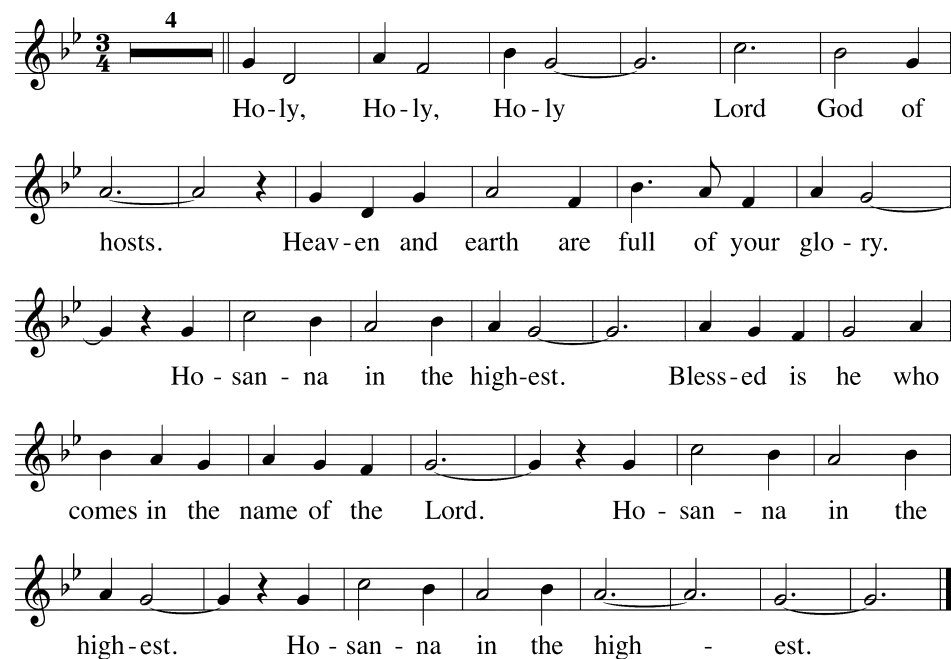
Alleluia

Randall Thompson

Eucharistic Prayer Acclamations

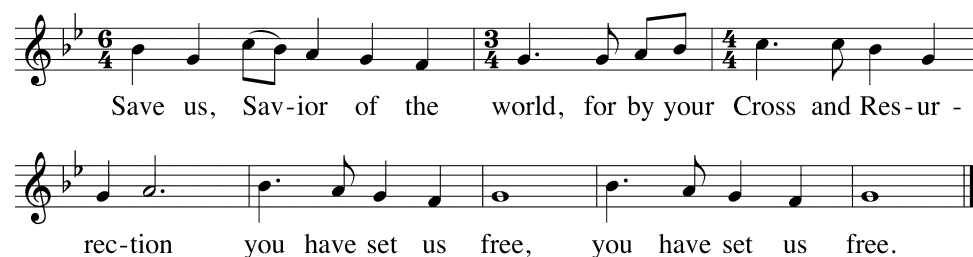
Mass of Creation

Marty Haugen



Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho-ly Lord God of
hosts. 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 Mystery of Faith



Save us, Sav-ior of the world, for by your Cross and Res-ur-
rec-tion you have set us free, you have set us free.

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Communion Rite

Lord's Prayer

Breaking of the Bread

Howard Hughes

Communion Antiphon

Pascha nostrum immolatus est Christus

Chant, mode V

Christ, our Paschal Lamb, has been sacrificed, Alleluia!

Therefore, let us keep the feast by sharing the unleavened bread of uprightiness and truth.

THE ORDER OF CELEBRATION

Lucernarium

Blessing of the Fire and Preparation of the Candle

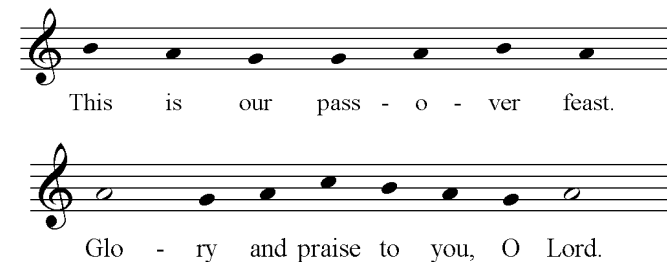
Procession *The candles of the ministers and assembly are lighted from the Paschal Candle.*

Deacon: The Light of Christ. **Response:** *Thanks be to God.*

Processional Chant

Adoramus te Christe, Adoramus te Christe, Adoramus te Christe, Adoramus Christe.

Easter Proclamation (*Exsultet*)



This is our pass-o-ver feast.
Glo-ry and praise to you, O Lord.

All extinguish their candles at the conclusion of the Easter Proclamation.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

Please be seated
Genesis 1:1 – 2:2

In the beginning, when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless wasteland, and darkness covered the abyss, while a mighty wind swept over the waters.

Then God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. God saw how good the light was. God then separated the light from the darkness. God called the light "day," and the darkness he called "night." Thus evening came, and morning followed—the first day.

Then God said, "Let there be a dome in the middle of the waters, to separate one body of water from the other." And so it happened: God made the dome, and it separated the water above the dome from the water below it. God called the dome "the sky." Evening came, and morning followed—the second day.

Then God said, "Let the water under the sky be gathered into a single basin, so that the dry land may appear." And so it happened: the water under the sky was gathered into its basin, and the dry land appeared. God called the dry land "the earth," and the basin of the water he called "the sea." God saw how good it was. Then God said, "Let the earth bring forth vegetation: every kind of plant that bears seed and every kind of fruit tree on earth that bears fruit with its seed in it." And so it happened: the earth brought forth every kind of plant that bears seed and every kind of fruit tree on earth that bears fruit with its seed in it. God saw how good it was. Evening came, and morning followed—the third day.

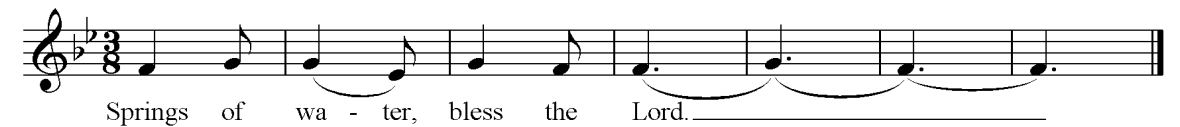
Then God said: "Let there be lights in the dome of the sky, to separate day from night. Let them mark the fixed times, the days and the years, and serve as luminaries in the dome of the sky, to shed light upon the earth." And so it happened: God made the two great lights, the greater one to govern the day, and the lesser one to govern the night; and he made the stars. God set them in the dome of the sky, to shed light upon the earth, to govern the day and the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. God saw how good it was. Evening came, and morning followed—the fourth day.

Then God said, "Let the water teem with an abundance of living creatures, and on the earth let birds fly beneath the dome of the sky." And so it happened: God created the great sea monsters and all kinds of swimming creatures with which the water teems, and all kinds of winged birds. God saw how good it was, and God blessed them, saying, "Be fertile, multiply, and fill the water of the seas; and let the birds multiply on the earth." Evening came, and morning followed—the fifth day.

Then God said, "Let the earth bring forth all kinds of living creatures: cattle, creeping things, and wild animals of all kinds." And so it happened: God made all kinds of wild animals, all kinds of cattle, and all kinds of creeping things of the earth. God saw how good it was. Then God said: "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. Let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, the birds of the air, and the cattle, and over all the wild animals and all the creatures that crawl on the ground." God created man in his image; in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them. God blessed them, saying: "Be fertile and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it. Have dominion over the fish of the sea, the birds of the air, and all the living things that move on the earth." God also said: "See, I give you every seed-bearing plant all over the earth and every tree that has seed-bearing fruit on it to be your food; and to all the animals of the land, all the birds of the air, and all the living creatures that crawl on the ground, I give all the green plants for food." And so it happened. God looked at everything he had made, and he found it very good. Evening came, and morning followed—the sixth day.

Sprinkling with Baptismal Water

Gerald Muller



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After the sprinkling, the candles are extinguished.

Celebration of Reception

Invitation

Please be seated.

Profession by the Candidates

Act of Reception

Introduction of Catholics Completing their Initiation

Celebration of Confirmation

Invitation

Please stand.

Laying on of Hands

Anointing with Chrism

Please be seated.

Veni Creator Spiritus

Gregorian Chant with variations by Maurice Duruflé

Prayer of the Faithful

Please stand.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Preparation of the Altar and the Offerings

Joy is Come (Piae Cantiones)

Andrew Carter

Blessing of Baptismal Water

Marty Haugen



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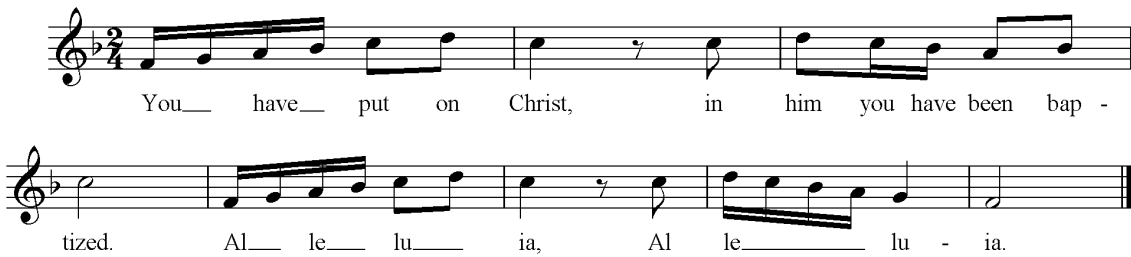
Renunciation of Sin

Please be seated

Profession of Faith

Baptism

O FILII ET FILIAE



Renewal of Baptismal Promises

Please stand.

Invitation

Renunciation of Sin

Profession of Faith

With lighted candles in hand, the assembly responds to each of the questions, "I do."

Clothing with the Baptismal Garment

Presentation of a Lighted Candle

Thus the heavens and the earth and all their array were completed. Since on the seventh day God was finished with the work he had been doing, he rested on the seventh day from all the work he had undertaken.

Psalm

Psalm 104: 1-2, 5-6

C. Alexander Peloquin



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Envía tu espíritu, Señor, y repuebla la faz de la tierra.

Bendice, alma mía, al Señor,
Dios mío, qué grande eres!
Te viste de belleza y majestad,
La luz te envuelve como un manto.

R./

Asentaste la tierra sobre sus cimientos,
Y no vacilará jamás;
La cubriste con el manto del océano,
Y las aguas se posaron sobre las montañas.

R./

Que Dios sea glorificado para siempre
y se goce en sus creaturas.
Ojalá que le agraden mis palabras
y yo me alegraré en el Señor.

Silence

Prayer

Please stand.

Second Reading

Please be seated.

Exodus 14: 15 - 15: 1

En aquellos días, dijo el Señor a Moisés: “¿ Por qué sigues clamando a mí? Diles a los israelitas que se pongan en marcha. Y tú, alza tu bastón, extiende tu mano sobre el mar y divídelo, para que los Israelitas entren en el mar sin mojarse. Yo voy a endurecer el corazón de los egipcios para que los persigan, y me cubriré de gloria a expensas del faraón y de todo su ejército, de sus carros y jinetes. Cuando me haya cubierto de gloria a expensas del faraón, de sus carros y jinetes, los egipcios sabrán que yo soy el Señor”.

El ángel del Señor, que iba al frente de las huestes de Israel, se colocó tras ellas. Y la columna de nubes que iba adelante, también se desplazó y se puso a sus espaldas, entre el campamento de los israelitas y el campamento de los egipcios. La nube era tinieblas para unos y claridad para otros, y así los ejércitos no trabaron contacto durante toda la noche.

Moisés extendió la mano sobre el mar, y el Señor hizo soplar durante toda la noche un fuerte viento del este, que secó el mar, y dividió las aguas. Los israelitas entraron en el mar y no se mojaban, mientras las aguas formaban una muralla a su derecha y a su izquierda. Los egipcios se lanzaron en su persecución y toda la caballería del faraón, sus carros y jinetes, entraron tras ellos en el mar.

Hacia el amanecer, el Señor miró desde la columna de fuego y humo al ejército de los egipcios y sembró entre ellos el pánico. Trabó las ruedas de sus carros, de suerte que no avanzaban sino pesadamente. Dijeron entonces los egipcios: “Huyamos de Israel, porque el Señor lucha en su favor contra Egipto”.

Entonces el Señor le dijo a Moisés: “Extiende tu mano sobre el mar, para que vuelvan las aguas sobre los egipcios, sus carros y sus jinetes”. Y extendió Moisés su mano sobre el mar, y al amanecer, las aguas volvieron a su sitio, de suerte que al huir, los egipcios se encontraron con ellas, y el Señor los derribó en medio del mar. Volvieron las aguas y cubrieron los carros, a los jinetes y a todo el ejército del faraón, que se había metido en el mar para perseguir a Israel. Ni uno solo se salvó. Pero los hijos de Israel caminaban por lo seco en medio del mar. Las aguas les hacían murallas a derecha e izquierda.

Aquel día salvó el Señor a Israel de las manos de Egipto. Israel vio a los egipcios, muertos en la orilla del mar. Israel vio la mano fuerte del Señor sobre los egipcios, y el pueblo temió al Señor y creyó en el Señor y en Moisés, su siervo. Entonces Moisés y los hijos de Israel cantaron este cántico al Señor:

BAPTISMAL LITURGY

Presentation of the Candidates for Baptism

Invitation to Prayer

Please stand.

Litany of the Saints

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy:

Lord have mer - cy.
 Christ have mer - cy.
 Lord have mer - cy.

Verse 1-4 Mary and Joseph, through all the saints:

(Saint Invocation) Pray for us.

Verse 5 Lord, be merciful. to Have mercy on us sinners:

("Lord, be merciful.") Save your people.

Verse 6 Lord, give new life. to Who believe and profess you:

("Lord, give new life.")Hear our prayer.

Verses 1- 6

1-4 All you ho - ly men and wo - men pray for us.
 5-6 Christ, hear us: Lord Je - sus, hear our prayer.

Celtic Alleluia

O'Carroll - Walker

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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Gospel

Lucas 24: 1 - 12

El primer día después del sábado, muy de mañana, llegaron las mujeres al sepulcro, llevando los perfumes que habían preparado. Encontraron que la piedra ya había sido retirada del sepulcro y entraron, pero no hallaron el cuerpo del Señor Jesús.

Estando ellas todas desconcertadas por esto, se les presentaron dos varones con vestidos resplandecientes. Como ellas se llenaron de miedo e inclinaron el rostro a tierra, los varones les dijeron: “¿Por qué buscan entre los muertos al que está vivo? No está aquí; ha resucitado. Recuerden que cuando estaba todavía en Galilea les dijo: ‘Es necesario que el Hijo del hombre sea entregado en manos de los pecadores y sea crucificado y al tercer día resucite’ ”. Y ellas recordaron sus palabras.

Cuando regresaron del sepulcro, las mujeres anunciaron todas estas cosas a los Once y a todos los demás. Las que decían estas cosas a los apóstoles eran María Magdalena, Juana, María (la madre de Santiago) y las demás que estaban con ellas. Pero todas estas palabras les parecían desvaríos y no les creían.

Pedro se levantó y corrió al sepulcro. Se asomó, pero sólo vio los lienzos y se regresó a su casa, asombrado por lo sucedido.

R./ Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

Cardinal Gregory

The LORD said to Moses, "Why are you crying out to me? Tell the Israelites to go forward. And you, lift up our staff and, with hand outstretched over the sea, split the sea in two, that the Israelites may pass through it on dry land. But I will make the Egyptians so obstinate that they will go in after them. Then I will receive glory through Pharaoh and all his army, his chariots and charioteers. The Egyptians shall know that I am the LORD, when I receive glory through Pharaoh and his chariots and charioteers." The angel of God, who had been leading Israel's camp, now moved and went around behind them. The column of cloud also, leaving the front, took up its place behind them, so that it came between the camp of the Egyptians and that of Israel.

But the cloud now became dark, and thus the night passed without the rival camps coming any closer together all night long. Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and the LORD swept the sea with a strong east wind throughout the night and so turned it into dry land. When the water was thus divided, the Israelites marched into the midst of the sea on dry land, with the water like a wall to their right and to their left. The Egyptians followed in pursuit; all Pharaoh's horses and chariots and charioteers went after them right into the midst of the sea.

In the night watch just before dawn the LORD cast through the column of the fiery cloud upon the Egyptian force a glance that threw it into a panic; and he so clogged their chariot wheels that they could hardly drive. With that the Egyptians sounded the retreat before Israel, because the LORD was fighting for them against the Egyptians. Then the LORD told Moses, "Stretch out your hand over the sea, that the water may flow back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots and their charioteers."

So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at dawn the sea flowed back to its normal depth. The Egyptians were fleeing head on toward the sea, when the LORD hurled them into its midst. As the water flowed back, it covered the chariots and the charioteers of Pharaoh's whole army, which had followed the Israelites into the sea. Not a single one of them escaped. But the Israelites had marched on dry land through the midst of the sea, with the water like a wall to their right and to their left.

Thus the LORD saved Israel on that day from the power of the Egyptians. When Israel saw the Egyptians lying dead on the seashore and beheld the great power that the LORD had shown against the Egyptians, they feared the LORD and believed in him and in his servant Moses. Then Moses and the Israelites sang this song to the LORD:

Let us sing to the Lord; he has cov - ered him - self ² in
glo - ry. ² ³ Let us

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Silence

Prayer

Please stand.

Third Reading*Please be seated.***Isaiah 55: 1-11**

Thus says the LORD: All you who are thirsty, come to the water! You who have no money, come, receive grain and eat; come, without paying and without cost, drink wine and milk! Why spend your money for what is not bread, your wages for what fails to satisfy? Heed me, and you shall eat well, you shall delight in rich fare. Come to me heedfully, listen, that you may have life. I will renew with you the everlasting covenant, the benefits assured to David. As I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander of nations, so shall you summon a nation you knew not, and nations that knew you not shall run to you, because of the LORD, your God, the Holy One of Israel, who has glorified you. Seek the LORD while he may be found, call him while he is near.

Let the scoundrel forsake his way, and the wicked man his thoughts; let him turn to the LORD for mercy; to our God, who is generous in forgiving. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the LORD. As high as the heavens are above the earth, so high are my ways above your ways and my thoughts above your thoughts. For just as from the heavens the rain and snow come down and do not return there till they have watered the earth, making it fertile and fruitful, giving seed to the one who sows and bread to the one who eats, so shall my word be that goes forth from my mouth; my word shall not return to me void, but shall do my will, achieving the end for which I sent it.

*R./ Te alabamos, Señor.***Collect****Epistle***Please be seated.***Romans 6: 3-11**

Brothers and sisters: Are you unaware that we who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were indeed buried with him through baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live in newness of life. For if we have grown in union with him through a death like his, we shall also be united with him in the resurrection. We know that our old self was crucified with him, so that our sinful body might be done away with, that we might no longer be in slavery to sin. For a dead person has been absolved from sin. If, then, we have died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him. We know that Christ, raised from the dead, dies no more; death no longer has power over him. As to his death, he died to sin once and for all; as to his life, he lives for God. Consequently, you too must think of yourselves as being dead to sin and living for God in Christ Jesus.

*R./ Te alabamos, Señor.***Alleluia***Please stand.*

Chant, mode VIII

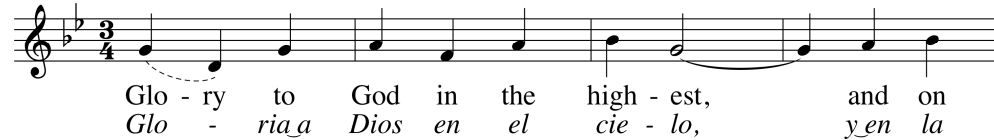
Chant Mode VIII

Al - le - lu - ia.

Gloria

*The sanctuary candles are lighted, the bells are rung,
and the church is illuminated.*

Refrain / Estribillo



Verses / Estrofas

1. We praise you,
we bless you,
we adore you,
we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.

1. *Por tu inmensa gloria te alabamos,
te bendecimos,
te adoramos,
te glorificamos,
te damos gracias,
Señor Dios, Rey celestial,
Dios Padre todopoderoso.*

2. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the
Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the
Father,
have mercy on us.

2. *Señor, Hijo único, Jesucristo,
Señor Dios, Cordero de Dios, Hijo
del Padre;
tú que quitas el pecado del mundo,
ten piedad de nosotros;
tú que quitas el pecado del mundo,
a tiende nuestra súplica;
tú que estás sentado a la derecha
del Padre,
ten piedad de nosotros.*

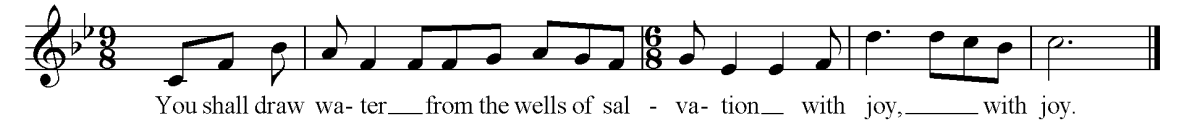
3. For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

3. *Porque sólo tú eres Santo,
sólo tú Señor,
sólo tú Altísimo,
Jesucristo,
con el Espíritu Santo
en la gloria de Dios Padre.
Amén.*

Canticle

Isaiah 12: 2-3, 4

Glenn Rudolph



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Ustedes sacarán agua con alegría de las vertientes de salvación.

Vean cómo es El, el Dios que me salva,
me siento seguro y no tengo más miedo,
pues el Señor es mi fuerza y mi canción,
El es mi salvación!

Y ustedes sacarán agua con alegría
de los manantiales de salvación.

R./

Denle las gracias as Señor; vitoreen su nombre!

Publiquen entre los pueblos sus hazañas.

Repitan que su nombre es sublime.

R./

Alaben al Señor por sus proezas,
anúncienlas a toda la tierra.
Griten jubilosos, habitantes de Sión,
porque el Dios de Israel
ha sido grande con ustedes.

R./

Silence

Prayer

Please stand.

Fourth Reading*Please be seated.***Ezekiel 36: 16-17a, 18-28**

En aquel tiempo, me fue dirigida la palabra del Señor en estos términos: “Hijo de hombre, cuando los de la casa de Israel habitaban en su tierra, la mancharon con su conducta y con sus obras; como inmundicia fue su proceder ante mis ojos. Entonces descargué mi furor contra ellos, por la sangre que habían derramado en el país y por haberlo profanado con sus idolatrías. Los dispersé entre las naciones y anduvieron errantes por todas las tierras. Los juzgué según su conducta, según sus acciones los sentencié. Y en las naciones a las que se fueron, desacreditaron mi santo nombre, haciendo que de ellos se dijera: ‘Este es el pueblo del Señor, y ha tenido que salir de su tierra’. Pero, por mi santo nombre, que la casa de Israel profanó entre las naciones a donde llegó, me he compadecido. Por eso, dile a la casa de Israel: ‘Esto dice el Señor: no lo hago por ustedes, casa de Israel. Yo mismo mostraré la santidad de mi nombre excelso, que ustedes profanaron entre la naciones. Entonces ellas reconocerán que yo soy el Señor, cuando, por medio de ustedes les haga ver mi santidad. Los sacaré a ustedes de entre las naciones, los reuniré de todos los países y los llevaré a su tierra. Los rociaré con agua pura y quedarán purificados; los purificaré de todas sus inmundicias e idolatrías. Les daré un corazón nuevo y les infundiré un espíritu nuevo; arrancaré de ustedes el corazón de piedra y les daré un corazón de carne: Les infundiré me espíritu y los haré vivir según mis preceptos y guardar y cumplir mis mandamientos. Habitarán en la tierra que di a sus padres; ustedes serán mi pueblo y yo seré su Dios”’.

R./ Thanks be to God.**Psalm****Psalm 42: 3, 5**

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Como busca la cierva corrientes de agua, así mi alma te busca a ti, Dios mío.

Del Dios que de la vida
está mi ser sediento.
¿Cuándo será posible
Ver de nuevo su templo?

Recuerdo cuando íbamos
A casa del Señor,
Cantando, jubilosos,
alabanzas a Dios.

Envíame, Señor, te luz y tu verdad;
que ellas se conviertan en mi guía
y hasta tu monte santo me conduzcan,
allí donde tú habitas

Al altar de Señor me acercaré,
al Dios que es mi alegría,
y a mi Dios, el Señor, le daré gracias
al compás de la citara.

Silence**Prayer***Please stand*