8:40 a.m.

THE BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER

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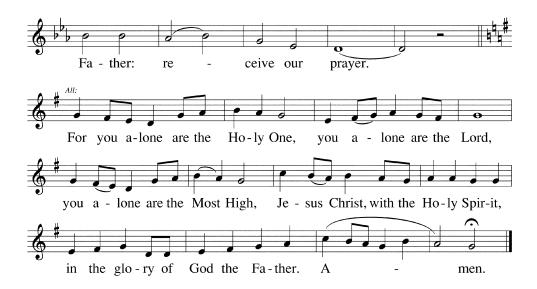
Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ is Risen.

People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

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*.

Gloria





Celebrant: The Lord be with you. **People:** And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

The Collect of the Day

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Word of God

Please be seated

First Lesson: Acts 8:26-40

An angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over to this chariot and join it." So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" He replied, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this: "Like a sheep he was

led to the slaughter, and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth. In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth." The eunuch asked Philip, "About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, "Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?" He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

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

Psalm 22: 24-30 (*McGregor*)



Those who seek the Lord shall praise him.

Cantor: My praise is of him in the great assembly; I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship him. The poor shall eat and be satisfied and those who seek the Lord shall praise him; "May your heart live for ever. Antiphon.

Cantor: All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord, and all the families of the nations shall bow before him. For kingship belongs to the Lord; he rules over the nations. To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship; all who go down to the dust fall before him. Antiphon.

Cantor: My soul shall live for him; my descendants shall serve him; they shall be known as the Lord's for ever. They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn the saving deeds that he has done. Antiphon.

Second Lesson: 1 John 4:7-21

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us. By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. So we have known and believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgment, because as he is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. We love because he first loved us. Those who say, "I love God," and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also

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

Please stand

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. John.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Gospel: John 15:1-8

Jesus said, "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those

who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord. **People:** Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Please be seated

The Sermon: Fr. Haynes

Please stand

The Nicene Creed

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 worshipped 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.

The Prayers of the People

Please kneel

Alleluia! Our glorious God has raised Jesus from death to life; let every heart be filled with praise. Alleluia!

Sanctify your creation as abundant new life now bursts forth. That all may share in the wholeness promised to our broken world. Guide those in authority to transcend the barriers that separate the human family and build together an everlasting peace, praying especially for an end to all war, terror and violence in every heart and land. That our world may know the blessings of life in you.

Encourage your Church to celebrate the resurrection with joy, committing ourselves to the work of reconciliation.

That Christ's Body may be One.

Empower your ministers to proclaim boldly the message of the resurrection. *That all may come to see you as our Risen Lord.*

Inspire us to live faithfully our Baptismal vows and to partake lovingly of the Sacred Bread and Wine.

That we may be an Easter people.

Assist those who suffer or are in need; the poor, the lonely, the disabled. *That they too may share in your abundant life.*

Embrace those who have died with your eternal love. *That they may rejoice in your presence forever more.*

Hear our special intercessions for this day, O Lord, as we pray: for the Anglican Communion, that your Holy Spirit would guide and direct your Church throughout the world to be a sign of the Kingdom; for the Episcopal Church, our Presiding Bishop, Katharine, and for Greg and Nedi, our Bishops. And we give you thanks for the gift of life, remembering the birthdays of.....and the wedding anniversary(ies) of....; We pray for all those on our prayer list...and those we now name; We pray for the deployed, especially....; We pray for those who have died, especially....; We praise you and bless you, O Christ. We praise you and bless you.

Celebrant:

Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of the Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

In keeping with the ancient custom of the Church, the confession is omitted during the Great Fifty Days of Easter.

Please stand

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

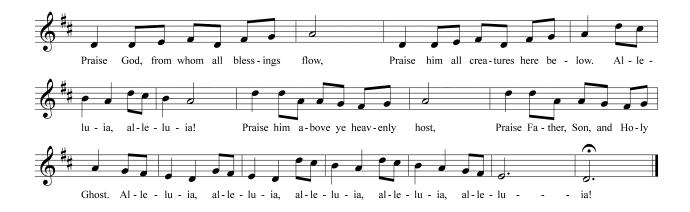
People: And also with you.

Celebration Prayer

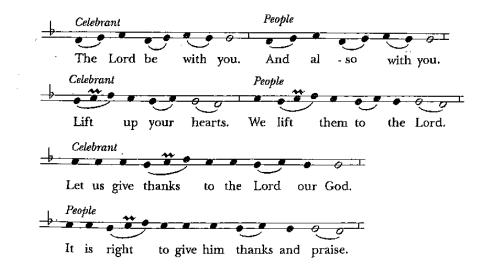
Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

Offertory

Doxology



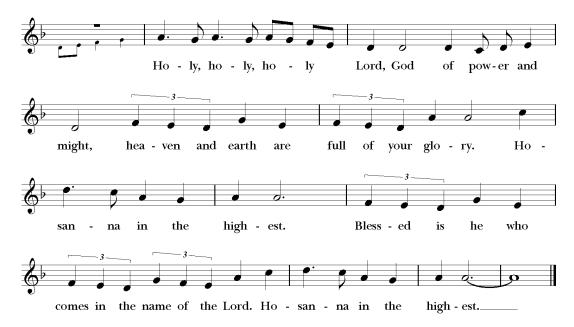
THE GREAT THANKSGIVING Eucharistic Prayer A



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

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:

Sanctus et Benedictus



Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

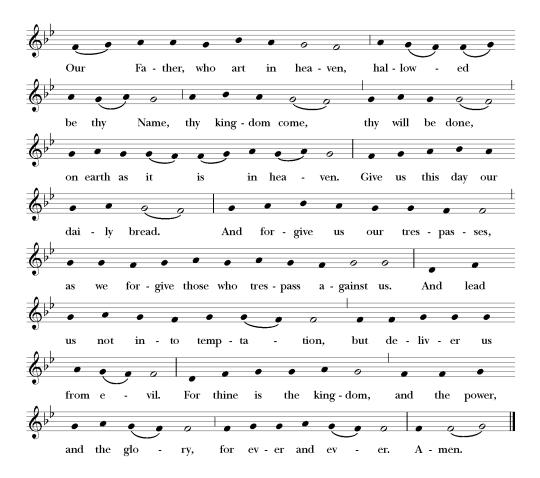
The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

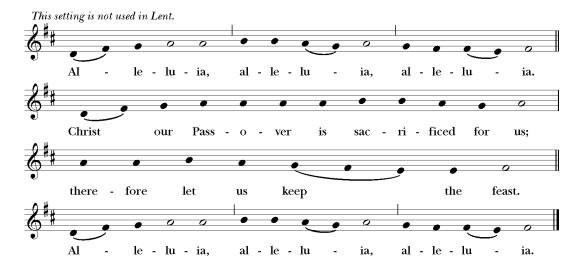
Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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. *AMEN*.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,



The Breaking of the Bread



Fraction Anthem



Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Invitation to Communion

This is our Lord's Table, and He is our host. All baptized persons are invited to receive Holy Communion. Those who have yet to be baptized are invited to come forward for a blessing and are encouraged to speak with one of the clergy after the service about becoming baptized into Christ's Body.

Please remain kneeling

Celebrant: Let us pray.

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*.

The Blessing

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen*.

The Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia. Alleluia.

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

(All children are invited to gather in the narthex around the wooden cross to proceed to Sunday School.)

Today's Liturgy

Liturgists

8:40 a.m.

Lay Readers – Monty Tolman, Brad MacGowan **LEM's** – Brad MacGowan, Terry Estvold, Harold Archibald, Teddy Mitchell

Acolytes – Joseph Bocchi, Katie Howard, Tanner Bush

Ushers – Rich Stewart, Joe Pelkey, Pat Engle Greeters – Liz & Brad MacGowan

10:30 a.m.

Lay Readers – Amy Dunkelberger, Terri Lolcama **LEM's** – John Lloyd, Jan Morrison, Terri Lolcama, Donna P. Snyder

Acolytes – Nathan Lloyd, Andrew & Maddy

Gonzalez

Ushers – Paul Bocchi Greeters – Sylvia Poyner

Altar Candles

The altar candles are given by Jo Jastad in loving memory of her grandson, Christopher.

Altar Flowers

The altar flowers are given by Carl and Loretta Clubb in memory of her mother and fathers wedding anniversary and on the occasion of our son and daughter-in-laws anniversary. Terry and Walli Roarke in thanksgiving for the birthday of their granddaughter, Sydney Sjoboen. Mr. & Mrs. Bradford MacGowan in thanksgiving on their wedding anniversary. Doreen & Ralph Boy in loving memory of his mother, Kay.

Remembrances for the Week

Birthdays

10 Clare Bungay

- 10 Judy Bungay
- 11 Tom Danner
- 11 Tim Snyder
- 12 David Loving12 Bonnie McGuire
- 12 1 11
- 12 Joan Johnson
- 12 Charles Giddings
- 12 Addison Haynes
- 13 Keith Keyt
- 13 Perry Newell
- 13 Oleta Artman
- 15 Dave Johnson
- 16 Jonathan Snyder

Death Anniversaries

- 12 George Shepard
- 13 Charles Henry Hyde II
- 16 William Woolf

Special Announcements

Happy Mother's Day to all who share in the ministry of motherhood.

Wedding Anniversaries

15 Richard & Carol Poulin

<u>Pentecost Celebration</u> – Sunday May 31st. After the 10 a.m. Mass we will be having a brunch and celebration. Signup sheets can be found in the narthex.

The Worship Team ministry supports the mission of St. Mary's Episcopal Church by providing praise and worship music at the second Sunday service each week. We currently have a pianist, percussion, vocals, and occasional guitar. If you sing or play an instrument and are interested in joining the Team, we would love to meet you and see how we can best use your musical skills to grow this ministry. **Rehearsals are on Saturday at 4:00 pm** in the Sanctuary, and Sunday mornings prior to service. Please contact the group's Director, Rachel Root (Rachel.Root@tlc.edu) or Lay Leader, Heather Burgess heather.burgess2@gmail.com) for additional information, or stop by a Saturday rehearsal. We look forward to having you join us!

- ► May 11th 7:00 p.m. Stewardship Caller's Meeting
- **№** May 17th Pledge Sunday
- May 21st Joint Episcopal/Lutheran Ascension Day Mass at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, 3315 S. 19th St., Tacoma WA 98409.
- May 23rd Ascension Tea for the Women and Girls of St. Mary's from 2 to 4 p.m. Sign up in the narthex.
- May 31st Pentecost 10:00 a.m. Mass Bishop Nedi Revira to celebrate. We will have baptisms, renewal of faith, blessing of 2009-2010 pledges and celebrate 50 years as a parish.