

# The Holy Eucharist

Gathered and Livestream:  
Worshiping in Parish Hall



## The Church of the Ascension *Munich*

Second  
Sunday in Lent  
The Church of the Ascension

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12.00 p.m.

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*Key Duty*

*We will sing vs 1-3*

1 The God of A - braham praise, who reigns en - throned a - bove;  
 2 He by him - self hath sworn: we on his oath de - pend;  
 3 There dwells the Lord, our King, the Lord, our Right - eous - ness,  
 4 The God who reigns on high the great arch - an - gels sing,  
 5 The whole tri - um - phant host give thanks to God on high;

1 An - cient of ev - er - last - ing days, and God of love;  
 2 we shall, on ea - gle - wings up - borne, to heaven a - scend:  
 3 tri - um - phant o'er the world and sin, the Prince of Peace;  
 4 and "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly," cry, "Al - mighty King!  
 5 "Hail, Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost!" they ev - er cry;

1 the Lord, the great I AM, by earth and heaven con - fessed:  
 2 we shall be - hold his face, we shall his power a - dore,  
 3 on Zi - on's sa - cred height his king - dom he main - tains,  
 4 Who was, and is, the same, and ev - er - more shall be:  
 5 hail, A - braham's Lord di - vine! With heaven our songs we raise;

we bow and bless the sa - cred Name for ev - er blest.  
 and sing the won - ders of his grace for ev - er - more.  
 and, glo - rious with his saints in light, for ev - er reigns.  
 e - ter - nal Fa - ther, great I AM, we wor - ship thee."  
 all might and ma - jes - ty are thine, and end - less praise.

*Celebrant* Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins;

*People* His mercy endures forever.

The Decalogue:

*Celebrant*

Hear the commandments of God to his people:

I am the Lord your God who brought you out of bondage.

You shall have no other gods but me.

**Amen. Lord have mercy.**

You shall not make for yourself any idol.

**Amen. Lord have mercy.**

You shall not invoke with malice the Name of the Lord your God.

**Amen. Lord have mercy.**

Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.

**Amen. Lord have mercy.**

Honor your father and your mother.

**Amen. Lord have mercy.**

You shall not commit murder.

**Amen. Lord have mercy.**

You shall not commit adultery.

**Amen. Lord have mercy.**

You shall not steal.

**Amen. Lord have mercy.**

You shall not be a false witness.

**Amen. Lord have mercy.**

You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.

**Amen. Lord have mercy.**

Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord your God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these."  
Mark 12:29-31

*Celebrant*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence is marked with the ringing of a bell, and then together:*

***Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and We humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.***

*Celebrant*

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

**TRISAGION |**

Hymn S102

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,

Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of two systems of music. The first system has two staves: a vocal line in the treble clef and a piano accompaniment line in the bass clef. The second system also has two staves: a vocal line in the treble clef and a piano accompaniment line in the bass clef. The key signature is one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is common time (C). The lyrics are placed below the vocal lines.

## The Collect of the Day

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word, Jesus Christ your Son; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, forever and ever.

*People* Amen

*All are invited to be seated*

## The Lessons

The First Reading | Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

*Read in German by Astrid Savard*

When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the Lord appeared to Abram, and said to him, "I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous." Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, "As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you.

God said to Abraham, "As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her."

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God

**Psalm** | 22:22-30, Deus, Deus meus

*Led by Jes Villa*

22 Praise the Lord, you that fear him; \*  
stand in awe of him, O offspring of Israel;  
all you of Jacob's line, give glory.

23 For he does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty;  
neither does he hide his face from them; \*  
but when they cry to him he hears them.

24 My praise is of him in the great assembly; \*  
I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship him.

25 The poor shall eat and be satisfied,  
and those who seek the Lord shall praise him: \*  
"May your heart live forever!"

26 All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord, \*  
and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.

27 For kingship belongs to the Lord; \*  
he rules over the nations.

28 To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship; \*  
all who go down to the dust fall before him.

29 My soul shall live for him;  
my descendants shall serve him; \*  
they shall be known as the Lord'S forever.

30 They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn \*  
the saving deeds that he has done.

**The Second Reading | Romans 4:13-25**

*Read by Jes Villa*

For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.





*Celebrant*     The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.  
*People*         Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus began to teach his disciples that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

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

## **The Sermon**

*The Reverend Daniel R. Morrow*

*Silence will be marked with the ringing of a bell.*

*All are invited to 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 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 the People**

*Led by Lois Stuckenbruk*

With confidence and trust let us pray to Christ.

For the one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

let us pray to Christ.

Lord of compassion,

**in your mercy hear us.**

For peace in the world, especially in Palestine, Israel, Ukraine, Yemen, Syria, Somalia, Congo and everywhere there is strife and warfare, that a spirit of respect and reconciliation may grow among nations and peoples, let us pray to Christ.

Lord of compassion,

**in your mercy hear us.**

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer, especially

\_\_\_\_\_ for refugees, prisoners, and all in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, let us pray to the Christ.

Lord of compassion,

**in your mercy hear us.**

For those whom we have injured or offended, let us pray to Christ.

Lord of compassion,

**in your mercy hear us.**

For grace to amend our lives and to further the reign of God,  
let us pray to Christ.

Lord of compassion,  
**in your mercy hear us.**

In communion with all those who have walked in the way of holiness  
let us pray to Christ

Lord of compassion,  
**in your mercy hear us.**

Celebrant:

Holy God, in your love and goodness you have taught us to come close to  
you in penitence with prayer, fasting and generosity; accept our Lenten  
discipline, and when we fall by our weakness, raise us up by your  
unfailing mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Silence*

### **The Peace**

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

*People* And also with you.

*The People may greet one another in the name of the Lord. Please greet  
only those in your vicinity by reverently bowing and without moving into the  
aisles.*

### **Announcements**

*The Reverend Daniel R. Morrow*

### **The Offertory**

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and  
sacrifice to God. *—Ephesians 5:2*

**Thanks be to God.**

## Offertory Anthem

Amazing Grace



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*God shall give his angels charge over you; to keep you in all your ways.  
They shall bear you in their hands: that you hurt not your foot against a  
stone*

# The Doxology

Old 100th, melody from Pseaumes octante trois de David, 1551  
Harmonization after Louis Bourgeois (1510-1561)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise  
God all crea - tures here be - low. Praise God a - bove ye  
heav - enly hosts. Praise Fath - er, Son, and  
Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

## The Great Thanksgiving

*Eucharistic Prayer B, BCP p. 367*

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

*People* We lift them to the Lord.

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* It is right to give God thanks and praise.

*The celebrant continues*

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

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

### Sanctus | Holy, holy, holy Lord (from "Deutsche Messe") Hymnal S130

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and  
might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,  
God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are  
full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. 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 Celebrant continues*

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

*Celebrant and People*

**We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;**

*Celebrant*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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 forever. AMEN.

*The celebrant continues*

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,  
*Celebrant and People*

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.	Vater unser im Himmel geheiligt werde dein Name. Dein Reich komme. Dein Wille geschehe, wie im Himmel so auf Erden.
Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.	Unser tägliches Brot gib uns heute. Und vergib uns unsere Schuld, wie auch wir vergeben unsern Schuldigern.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.	Und führe uns nicht in Versuchung, sondern erlöse uns von dem Bösen.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.	Denn dein ist das Reich und die Kraft und die Herrlichkeit in Ewigkeit. Amen.

### **The Breaking of the Bread**

*Celebrant* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People* Therefore let us keep the feast.

### **The Invitation to Communion**

*Celebrant*

This is the banquet of Christ. In His kingdom there are no outcasts. Wherever you find yourself on the journey of faith, you are welcome at God's table.

### **A Prayer for Spiritual Communion with Those Worshiping Online**

*Celebrant and People*

Lord Jesus, as you promised to be with us in the bread and wine that is your body and blood, grant that we may receive you spiritually today into our hearts, minds and souls. Stay with us; be our companion in the way; kindle our hearts and awaken hope that we may know you and have confidence in your loving care, now and forever. Amen.



The wine has been donated this morning by Deirdre Tincker In loving memory of her husband Wolfgang Sieghart and her dear friend Horace Gibson.

**Notes for Those Making a Physical Communion**

- Please remain in your seat until an usher invites you come forward.
- For those with gluten allergies, gluten-free communion wafers are available. Simply ask the priest as communion is offered to you.
- For those who wish, the chalice will be offered on either side of the altar. Following convocation guidelines, intinction will not be allowed at this time. Please know that the church has always taught that communion in one kind is a full and valid communion. If you do not wish to drink from the chalice, you may simply return to your seat, stop and bow to the chalice or simply touch the chalice as a sign of reverence.

**Communion Anthem**

Kyrie from Mass in G / F. Schubert

**Communion Hymn** *Wherefore, O Father, we thy humble servants*

Hymn 338

*Unison or harmony*

1 Where-fore, O Fa-ther, we thy hum-ble ser-vants here bring be-fore thee Christ thy well-lov-ed. All-per-fect Of-fering,  
 2 See now thy chil-dren, mak-ing in-ter-ces-sion through him our Sa-vior, Son of God in-car-nate, for all thy peo-ple,

sac-ri-fice im-mor-tal, spot-less ob-la-tion.  
 liv-ing and de-part-ed, plead-ing be-fore thee.

## The Postcommunion Prayer

BCP p. 365

*All are invited to stand*

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

## The Blessing

*Celebrant*

Christ give you grace to grow in holiness, to deny yourselves, take up your cross, and follow him; and the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be with you now and remain with you forever. **Amen**

# Closing Hymn | *Take my life, and let it be*

Hymn 707

1 Take my life, and let it be con - se - crat - ed, Lord, to thee;  
2 Take my voice, and let me sing al - ways, on - ly, for my King;

take my mo - ments and my days, let them flow in cease - less praise.  
take my in - tel - lect, and use ev - ery power as thou shalt choose.

Take my hands, and let them move at the im - pulse of thy love;  
Take my will, and make it thine; it shall be no long - er mine.

take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy roy - al throne.  
Take my - self, and I will be ev - er, on - ly, all for thee.

## The Dismissal

**Celebrant** Go in Peace to love and serve the Lord.

**People** Thanks be to God.