



The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

A musical prelude is played, followed by a welcome and announcements from a member of the clergy.

Lisa Lonie, carillon; Michael Smith, organ

standing, Hymn 174, At the Lamb's high feast we sing (vs 1,2,4)

At the Lamb's high feast we sing praise to our victorious King, who hath washed us in the tide flowing from His pierced side; Praise we Him, whose love divine, gives His sacred Blood for wine, gives His Body for the feast, Christ the Victim, Christ the Priest.

Where the Paschal blood is poured, death's dark angel sheathes his sword. Israel's hosts triumphant go through the wave that drowns the foe. Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, Paschal victim, paschal bread; With sincerity and love eat we manna from above.

Easter triumph, Easter joy, these alone do sin destroy; from sin's power do Thou set free souls new-born, O Lord, in Thee. Hymns of glory, songs of praise, Father, unto Thee we raise; Risen Lord, all praise to Thee, with the Spirit, ever be.

Alleluia. Christ is risen. **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, *sung by the choir.*

Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth.

Lord God, heaven-ly King, al-might-y God and Fa-ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we

praise_ you for_ your glo - ry. Lord Je- sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God,

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

seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther, re-cieve our prayer.

For you a-lone are the Ho - ly One, you a-lone are the Lord, you a-lone are the

Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit.

In the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. — A - - men.

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

seated, A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles

(4:32-35)

Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 133, *sung by the choir*

- 1 Oh, how good and pleasant it is, * when brethren live together in unity!
- 2 It is like fine oil upon the head * that runs down upon the beard,
- 3 Upon the beard of Aaron, * and runs down upon the collar of his robe.
- 4 It is like the dew of Hermon * that falls upon the hills of Zion.
- 5 For there the Lord has ordained the blessing: * life for evermore.

A Reading from the First Epistle of John

(1:1-2:2)

We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life-- this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us-- we declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete. This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us. My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

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

(20:19-31)

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when

Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe." A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

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

seated, The Sermon

standing, 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.

The Prayers of the People

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Justin, our Archbishop, Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Daniel, our Bishop, and all bishops and other ministers;

For all who serve in God's Church.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

The Celebrant concludes with a collect.

standing, The Peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.**

Please share a sign of Christ's peace with a smile or a gesture.

seated, The Offertory *As the altar is prepared, the choir sings*

"Quia vidisti me, Thoma"

Luca Marenzio (1553-1599)

Quia vidisti me, Thoma, credidisti: beati qui non viderunt, et crediderunt. Alleluia.

(Because thou hast seen me, Thomas, thou hast believed: blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed. Alleluia.)

--John 20:29

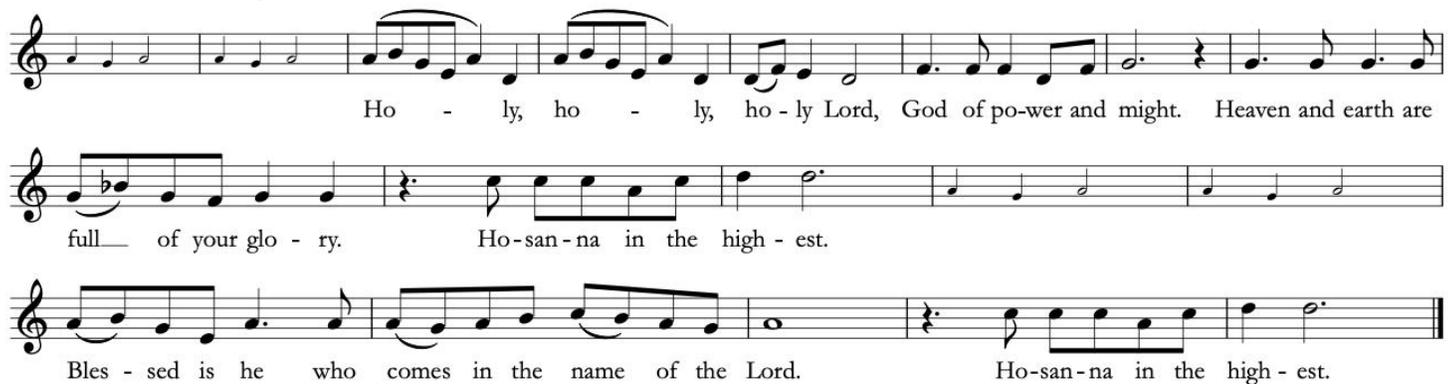
Please stand at the conclusion of the choir anthem.

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 him thanks and praise.**

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever. Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance. Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of po-wer and might. Heaven and earth are
full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the high - est.
Bles - sed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation. Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new. And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

We praise you, we bless you, we give thanks to you, and we pray to you, Lord our God.

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name. Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace. And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, with Thomas and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

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

Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed
be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our
dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pas - ses,
as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead
us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us
from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power,
and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le -
lu - ia! Christ, our Pas - chal Lamb in-deed; Christ, to - day your
peo - ple feed: Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!

If you are participating via livestream, you are invited to pray this Act of Spiritual Communion.

(God of love and grace, we give you thanks for your presence within us and within the body of Christ; grant that we who have witnessed anew these holy mysteries, though unable to physically receive them, may be moved by your indwelling Spirit to embody your holy and life-giving presence in the world around us, until we are gathered at last into the fullness of your eternal presence; through Christ our Risen Lord, Amen.)

To receive the Body of Christ, at the usher's guidance approach the celebrant, keeping a six foot physical distance from others. The celebrant will place the host in your hand; consume it as you return to your seat via the side aisle.

Let us pray. *All:* 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 Celebrant blesses the people, followed by the hymn.

Hymn 207, We walk by faith, and not by sight

We walk by faith and not by sight, no gracious words we hear from Him who as none e'er spoke, yet we believe Him near. We may not touch His hands and side or follow where He trod, yet in His promise we rejoice And cry "My Lord and God." Help then, oh Lord, our unbelief and may our faith abound, to call on you when you are near and seek where you are found. That when our life of faith is done in realms of clearer light we may behold you as you are in full and endless sight.

The Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Thanks be to God, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Parish Prayer List

The Davidson Family, Joyce Lawson, Dick Lull, Robert Farm, Pat Beard, Karen Lewis, Regina Brown, Matt Rhodes, Tammy Shugart, Julie Steckel, Missy Cathol, the Dernlan and Hansen families, Amy Hirsch, Dick Hood, the Riband family, the Eagleson family

ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you would like an announcement to appear here, please fill out the form found at www.stthomaswhitemarsh.org.

General Questions? info@stthomaswhitemarsh.org

- Signup for In-Person worship by going to the website and clicking RSVP at the top. You must pre-register to attend all services, including the 8am. Palm Sunday, Holy Week, and Easter services are all ready to be signed up.
- The Rector's Book Club is a faith formation opportunity for adults or teens in the St. Thomas' community to discuss a book with one another and Fr. Matthew Burdette. April's book is "Theology in Outline: Can These Bones Live?" by Robert W. Jensen. The Rector's Book Club meets on the last Saturday of every month. There is no need to sign up. <https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/84551709340?pwd=SFhEcodPM1ZiQjV4cnhiUnVrWnVYUT09> Meeting ID: 845 5170 9340, Passcode: 058336
- Help out Our Little Roses! The Our Little Roses mission team has concluded that our annual Bingo fundraiser wouldn't be nearly as fun if we had to go virtual, so we have postponed the event and plan to be back in 2022! HOWEVER, Our Little Roses still needs our help. This has been a devastating year, not only given COVID, but 2 Category 4 Hurricanes that hit last November! Keeping the girls and staff healthy, safe and on track with their education has been a challenge. We invite you to join us in raising funds to provide an Educational Scholarship for one of the 8 preschoolers living at OLR. The scholarship is \$70/month. So, if 24 people donate a minimum of \$35, we can make sure at least one of these girls joins a preschool classroom next fall, for a full year! Donations can be made by going to the website, ourlittleroses.org, and clicking the DONATE TODAY button. Or, checks can be made out to "OLRFMS" and sent to: OLRFMS, P.O. Box 530947, Miami Shores, FL 33153-0947. Please contact Marggy Ells or Kim Morris with any questions.
- Please continue to donate items to the Roslyn Food Cupboard. A list of needed items can be found in the announcements section of the church website. Contact Mimi Kepner (mimikepner@gmail.com, 215-872-6432) or Pam Serra (pam@msk-traderisk.com, 215-858-9626). Donations can be left inside the narthex (lobby) of the church, Mon-Fri from 9:00 AM- 3:00 PM.