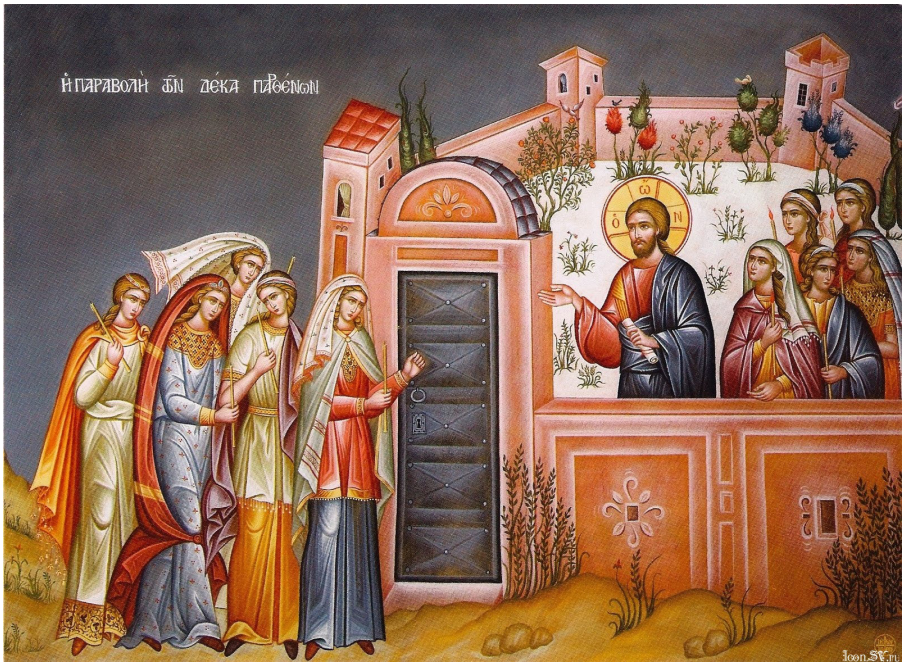
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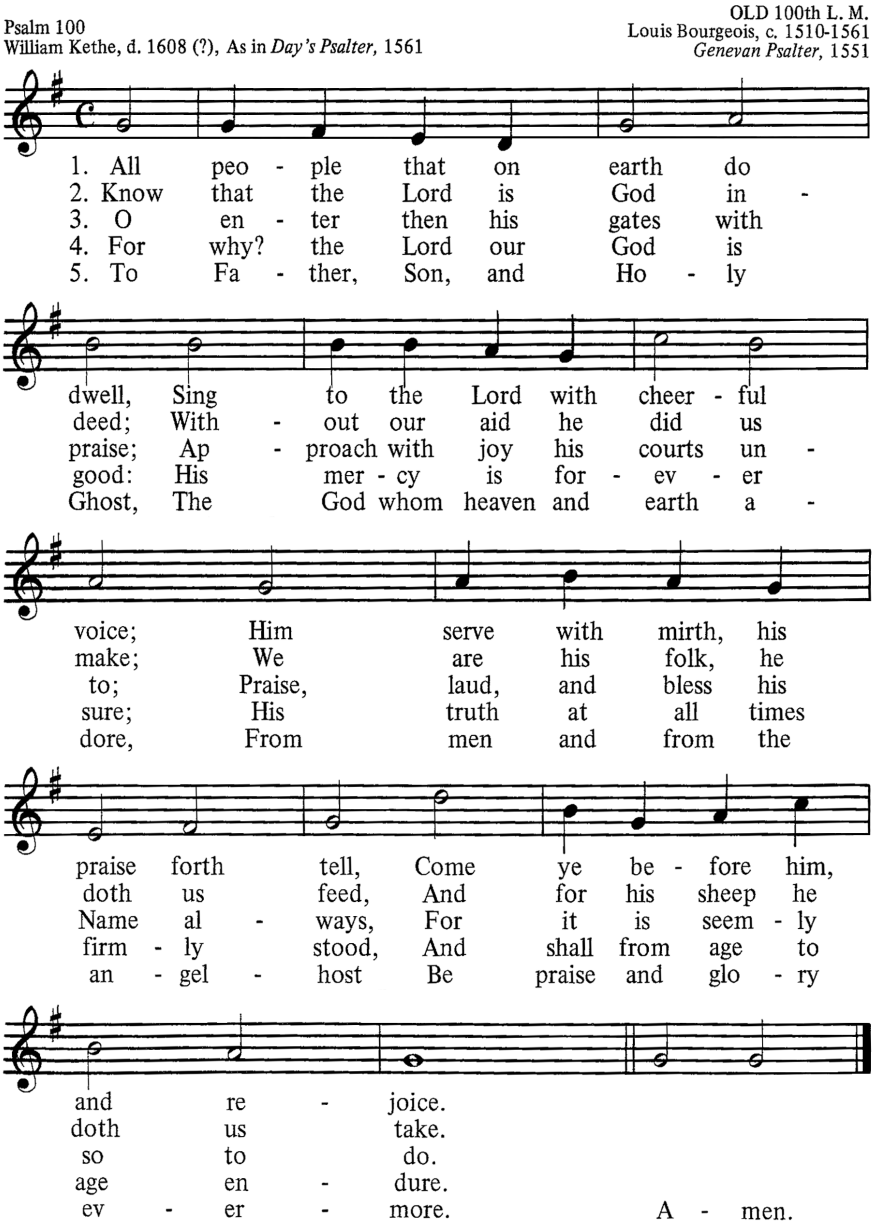


Thirty-second Sunday of the Year
8 November 2026

Entrance Antiphon — Psalm 88.3, 2

Let my prayer come into your presence. Incline your ear to my cry for help, O Lord.

Entrance Hymn — All People That On Earth Do Dwell



Penitential Act

Confiteor

I confess to almighty God
and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned,
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,

All strike their breast, saying:

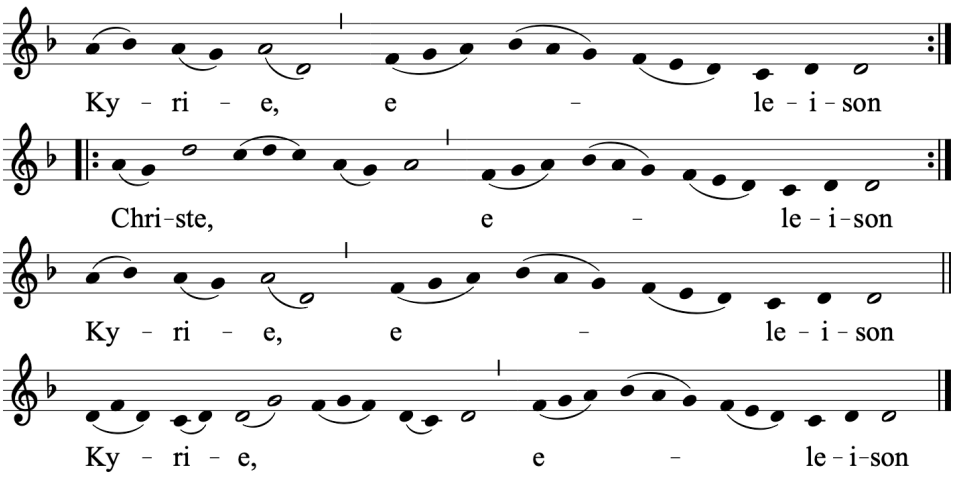
through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault;
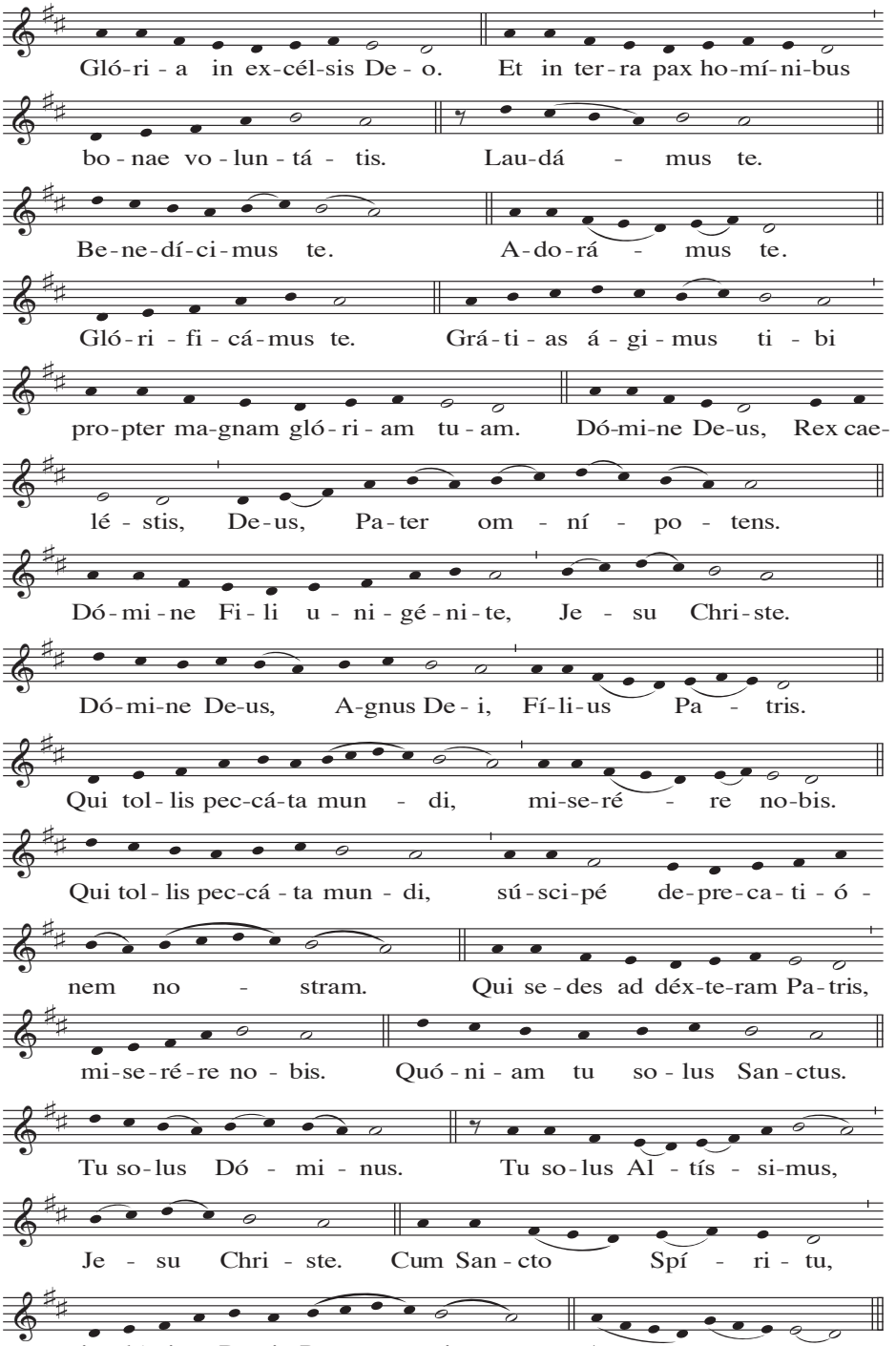
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Priest May almighty God have mercy on us,
forgive us our sins,
and bring us to everlasting life.

People **Amen.**

Kyrie *Missa Orbis Factor*




Gló-ri - a in ex-cél-sis De - o. Et in ter-ra pax ho-mí-ni-bus
bo - nae vo - lun - tá - tis. Lau-dá - mus te.
Be-ne-dí-ci-mus te. A-do-rá - mus te.
Gló-ri - fi - cá-mus te. Grá-ti - as á - gi - mus ti - bi
pro-pter ma-gnam gló-ri - am tu - am. Dó-mi-ne De-us, Rex cae-
lé - stis, De-us, Pa-ter om - ní - po - tens.
Dó-mi-ne Fi-li u - ni - gé - ni-te, Je - su Chri-ste.
Dó-mi-ne De-us, A-gnus De - i, Fí-li-us Pa - tris.
Qui tol-lis pec-cá-ta mun - di, mi-se-ré - re no-bis.
Qui tol - lis pec-cá - ta mun - di, sú - sci-pé de-pre-ca-ti - ó -
nem no - stram. Qui se - des ad déx-te-ram Pa-tris,
mi-se-ré-re no - bis. Quó - ni - am tu so - lus San - ctus.
Tu so-lus Dó - mi - nus. Tu so-lus Al - tís - si-mus,
Je - su Chri - ste. Cum San - cto Spí - ri - tu,
in gló-ri-a De-i Pa - tris. A - men.

Collect

Liturgy of the Word

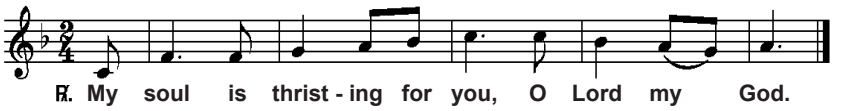
First Reading — Wisdom 6.12-16

Resplendent and unfading is wisdom, and she is readily perceived by those who love her, and found by those who seek her. She hastens to make herself known in anticipation of their desire; whoever watches for her at dawn shall not be disappointed, for he shall find her sitting by his gate. For taking thought of wisdom is the perfection of prudence, and whoever for her sake keeps vigil shall quickly be free from care; because she makes her own rounds, seeking those worthy of her, and graciously appears to them in the ways, and meets them with all solicitude.

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



Responsorial Psalm — Psalm 63.2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8



O God, you are my God whom I seek;
for you my flesh pines and my soul thirsts
like the earth, parched, lifeless and without water.

Thus have I gazed toward you in the sanctuary
to see your power and your glory,
for your kindness is a greater good than life;
my lips shall glorify you.

Thus will I bless you while I live;
lifting up my hands, I will call upon your name.
As with the riches of a banquet shall my soul be satisfied,
and with exultant lips my mouth shall praise you.
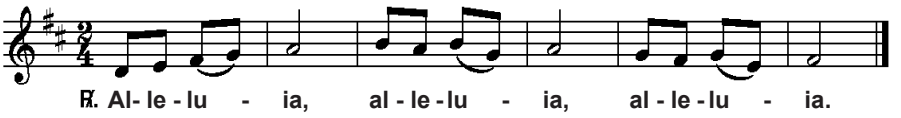
I will remember you upon my couch,
and through the night-watches I will meditate on you:
you are my help,
and in the shadow of your wings I shout for joy.

Second Reading — 1 Thessalonians 4.13-18

We do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, about those who have fallen asleep, so that you may not grieve like the rest, who have no hope. For if we believe that Jesus died and rose, so too will God, through Jesus, bring with him those who have fallen asleep. Indeed, we tell you this, on the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will surely not precede those who have fallen asleep. For the Lord himself, with a word of command, with the voice of an archangel and with the trumpet of God, will come down from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. Thus we shall always be with the Lord. Therefore, console one another with these words.

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

Gospel Acclamation



Stay awake and be ready!
For you do not know on what day your Lord will come. *Response.*

Gospel Matthew 25.1-13

Deacon: The Lord be with you.
People: And with your spirit.

Deacon: A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.
People: Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus told his disciples this parable: "The kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish and five were wise. The foolish ones, when taking their lamps, brought no oil with them, but the wise brought flasks of oil with their lamps. Since the bridegroom was long delayed, they all became drowsy and fell asleep. At midnight, there was a cry, 'Behold, the bridegroom! Come out to meet him!' Then all those virgins got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish ones said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise ones replied, 'No, for there may not be enough for us and you. Go instead to the merchants and buy some for yourselves.' While they went off to buy it, the bridegroom came and those who were ready went into the wedding feast with him. Then the door was locked. Afterwards the other virgins came and said, 'Lord, Lord, open the door for us!' But he said in reply, 'Amen, I say to you, I do not know you.' Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

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

Homily

Profession of Faith *(spoken slowly and reverently)*

I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,

Bow profoundly during these two lines:

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
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.

I 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 adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Bidding Prayers

The Collection

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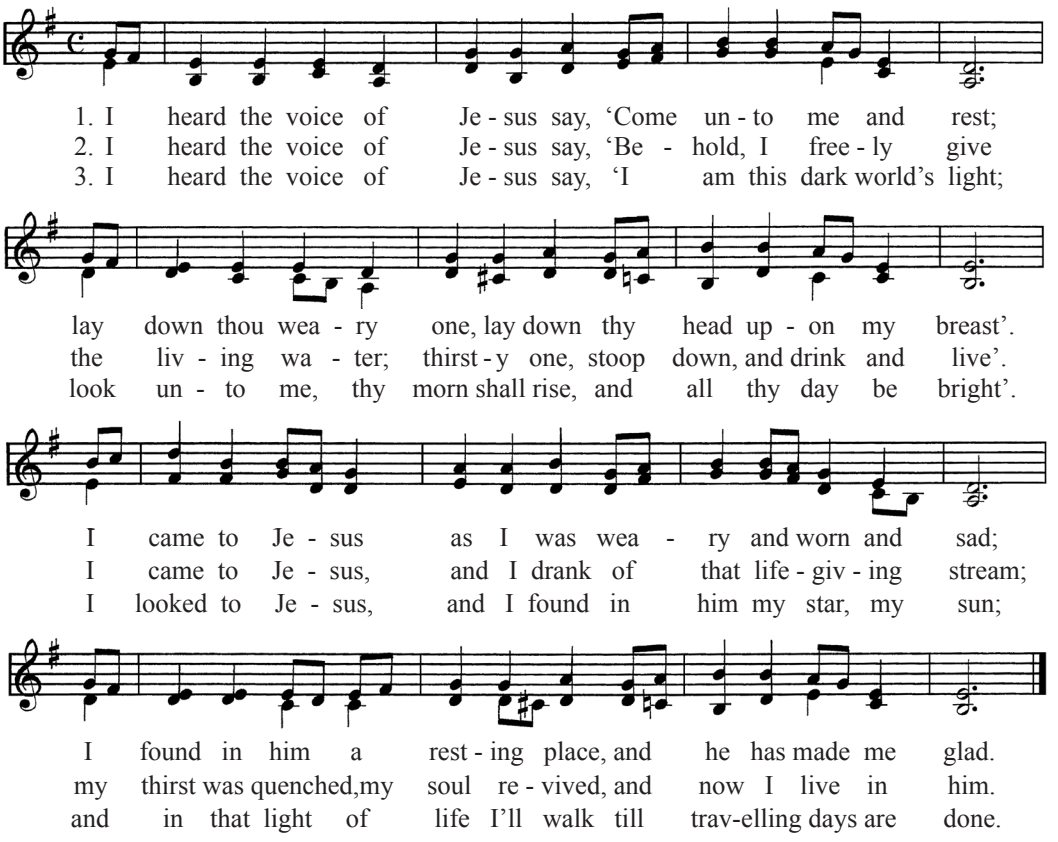
Offertory Antiphon — Psalm 119.133

Direct my steps, O Lord, according to your word, and let no iniquity have dominion over me, O Lord my God.

Offertory Hymn — I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

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Traditional English Melody
Harm. by Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872-1958

Horatius Bonar, 1808-1889

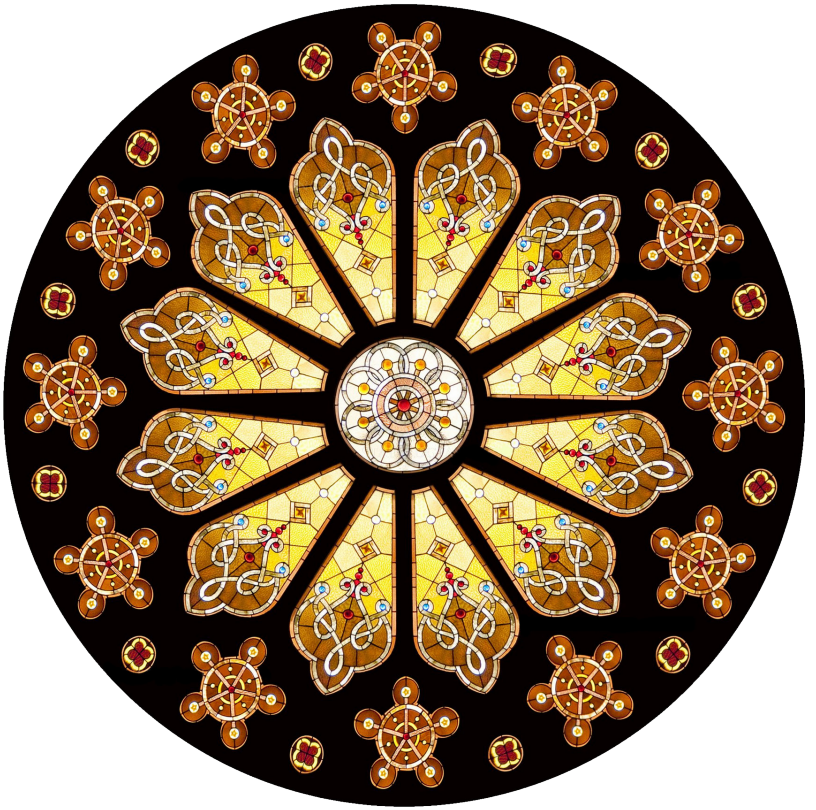


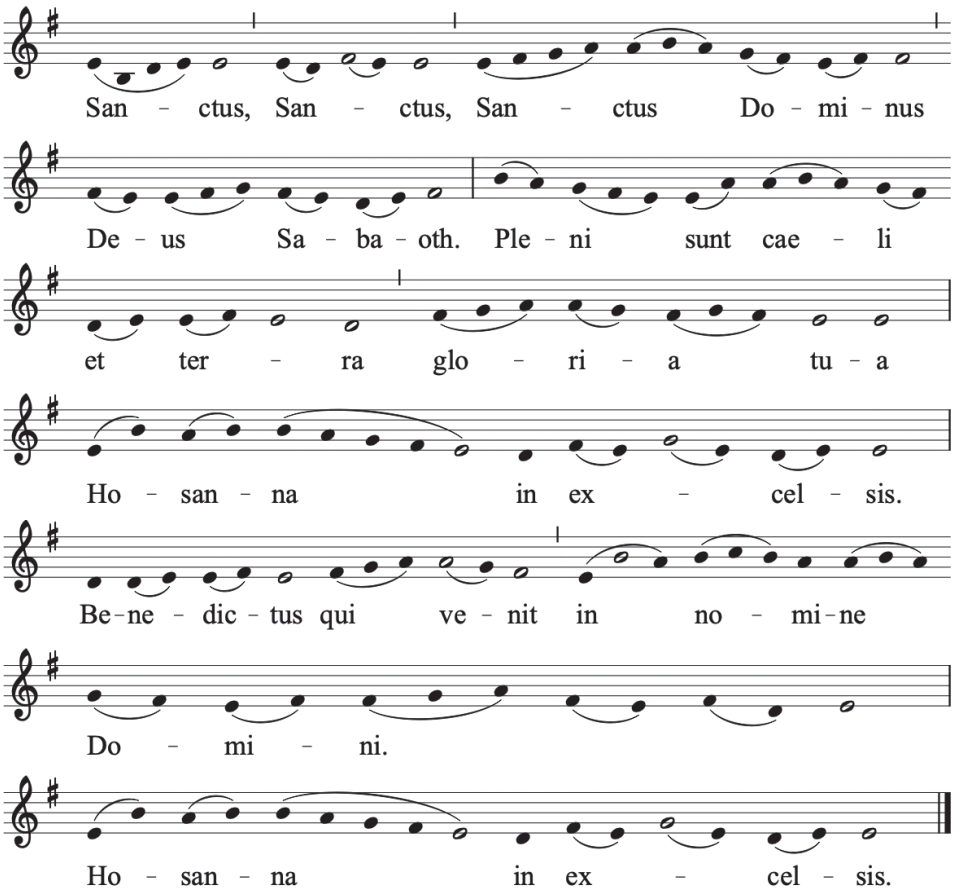


Offertory Anthem

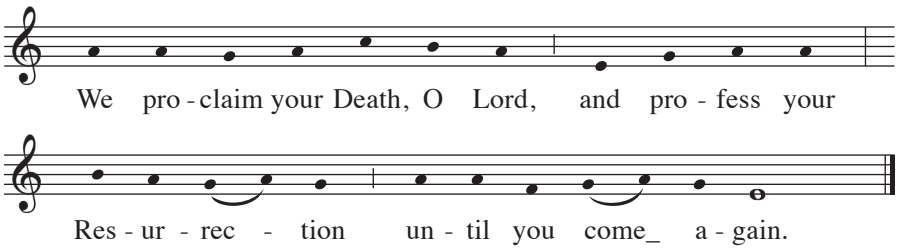
The Earth is the Lord's — *William H. Monk*

The earth is the Lord's, and all that therein is: the compass of the world, and they that dwell therein. For he hath founded it upon the seas: and prepared it upon the floods. Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord: or who shall rise up in his holy place? Even he that hath clean hands, and a pure heart: and that hath not lift up his mind unto vanity, nor sworn to deceive his neighbour. He shall receive the blessing from the Lord: and righteousness from the God of his salvation. Amen.





Mystérium Fídei (The Mystery of Faith)



Priest At the Savior's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

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.
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.

Priest Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil,
graciously grant peace in our days,
that, by the help of your mercy,
we may be always free from sin
and safe from all distress,
as we await the blessed hope
and the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

People **For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.**

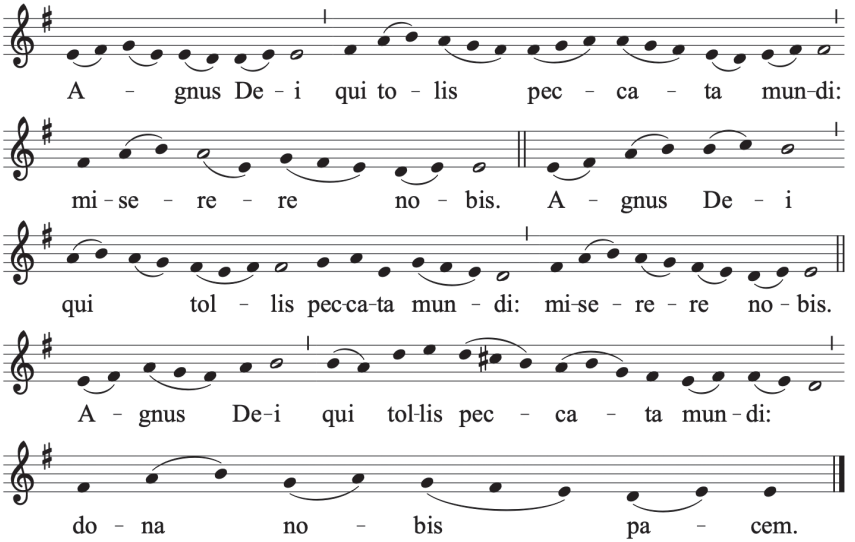
Priest Lord Jesus Christ,
who said to your Apostles:
Peace I leave you, my peace I give you,
look not on our sins,
but on the faith of your Church,
and graciously grant her peace and unity
in accordance with your will.
Who live and reign for ever and ever.

People **Amen.**

Priest The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People **And with your spirit.**

Agnus Dei *Missa Orbis Factor*





Priest Behold the Lamb of God,
behold him who takes away the sins of the world.
Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

People **Lord, I am not worthy**
that you should enter under my roof,
but only say the word
and my soul shall be healed.

Communion Antiphon — Psalm 23.1-2

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose, near restful waters he leads me.



An Act of Spiritual Communion

Lord Jesus, I love you above all things.
How I long to receive you with my brothers
and sisters at the table you have prepared.
But since I cannot at this moment receive you in
the holy sacrament of your Body and Blood,
I ask you to feed me with the manna of your Holy Spirit
and nourish me with your holy presence.
I unite myself completely to you;
never permit me to be separated from your love.
Amen.

Communion Motets

Anima Christi *Chant, Mode VIII*

Soul of Christ, sanctify me. Body of Christ, heal me. Blood of Christ, drench me. Water from the side of Christ, wash me. Passion of Christ, strengthen me. Good Jesus, hear me. In your wounds shelter me. From turning away keep me. From the evil one, protect me. At the hour of my death, call me. Into your presence, lead me, to praise you with all your saints forever and ever. Amen.
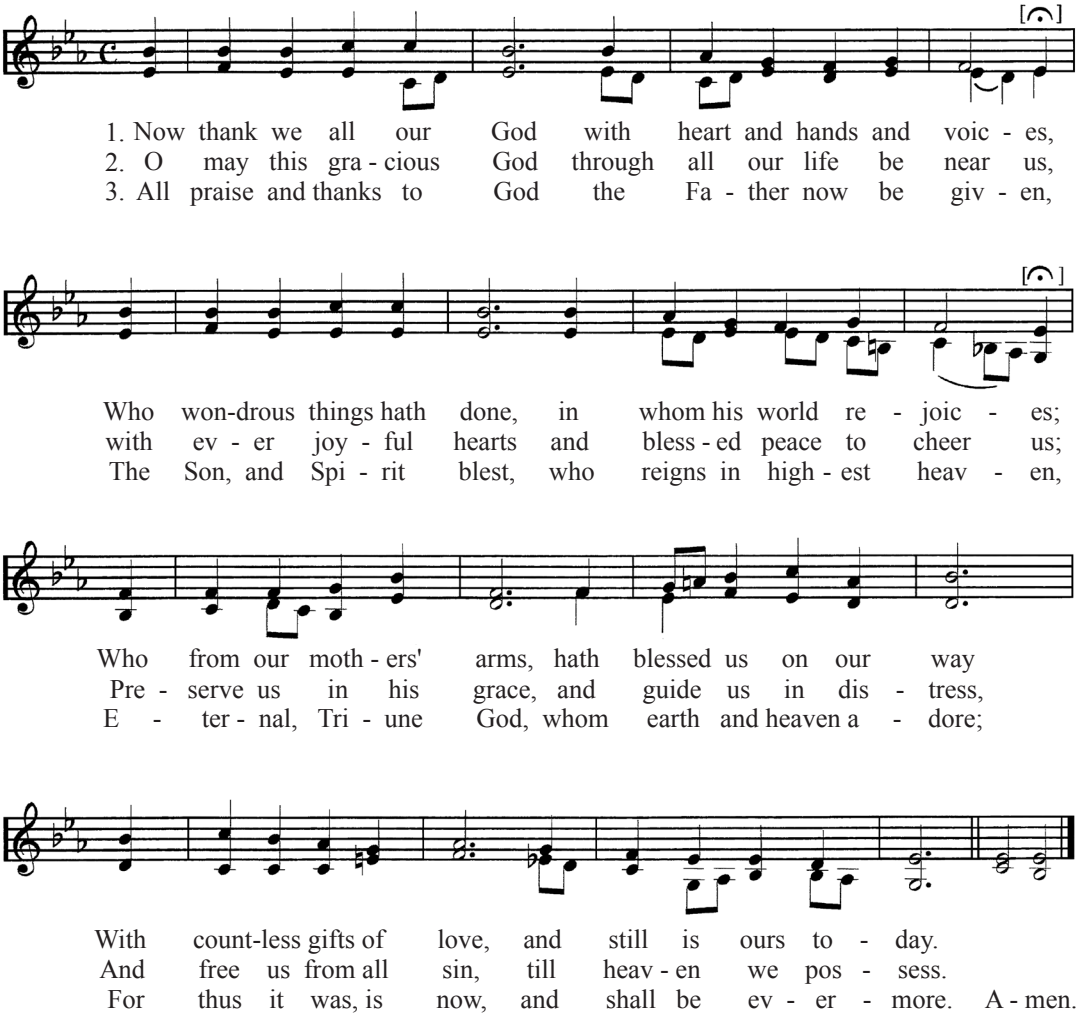


Communion Hymn

Now Thank We All Our God

Martin Rinkart, 1586-1649
Trans. by Catherine Winkworth, 1827-1878

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Johann Crüger, 1598-1662
Harm. by Felix Mendelssohn, 1809-1847





Concluding Rites

Priest The Lord be with you.
People **And with your spirit.**

Priest May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
People **Amen.**

Deacon Go in peace.
People **Thanks be to God.**

During Mass at St Mary's, the priest and people face the same direction at the altar, a custom that was once universal in the Catholic Church but is now rare in the celebration of the modern liturgy. For an explanation of this practice, please visit our parish website, smcgvl.org, for the essay entitled *Facing East to Pray*.



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From the Office of Readings
for the Thirty-second Sunday of the Year

Brethren, we ought to regard Jesus Christ as God and judge of the living and the dead. We should not hold our Savior in low esteem for if we esteem him but little, we may hope to obtain but little from him. Moreover, people who hear these things and think them of small importance commit sin, and we ourselves sin if we do not realize what we have been called from, who has called us, and to what place, and how much suffering Jesus Christ endured on our account.

How then shall we repay him? What fruit can we bear that would be worthy of what he has given us? For how many benefits are we not in his debt! He has enlightened our minds; he has called us sons as a father does; he saved us when we were about to perish. How then shall we praise him, how repay him for his gifts? Spiritually blind, we worshiped stones and pieces of wood, gold and silver and bronze, things made by men, and our whole life was death. Darkness enfolded us, and nothing but gloom met our eyes. Then, by his will, we escaped from the cloud that enveloped us and recovered our sight. For he saw our many errors and the damnation that awaited us, and knowing that apart from him we had no hope of salvation, he pitied us, and in his mercy saved us. He called us when we were not his people and willed us to become his people.

Rejoice, O barren woman who never bore a child; break into shouts of joy, you who never knew a mother's pangs; for the deserted wife shall have more children than she who has a husband. When he says: *Rejoice, O barren woman who never bore a child*, he is speaking of us, for our Church was barren until children were given her. When he says: *Break into shouts of joy, you who never knew a mother's pangs*, he means that we should not grow weary like women in labor, but tirelessly and in all simplicity offer our prayers to God. He declares that *the deserted wife shall have more children than she who has a husband*, because faith has now made our people who seemed to have been deserted by God more numerous than those who were thought to possess him.

Another text says: *I have come not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance*, for it is those who are on the point of perishing who must be saved. It is a great and wonderful work to uphold those who are falling, rather than those who already stand firm. Christ willed to save people who were in danger of losing their souls, and he has been the salvation of many. When we were on the point of perishing, he came and called us.

- From a homily written in the second century

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from the pastor

Dear Friends in Christ,

The Church is one, holy, catholic, and apostolic, and in the sacred liturgy this week, we keep four feasts that reveal these four marks:

On Monday we celebrate the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica, the cathedral church of the Bishop of Rome and therefore the head and mother of all the churches of the world. This ancient church is dedicated to Christ the Savior, Saint John the Baptist, and Saint John the Beloved Disciple, but it is usually called Saint John Lateran. The land was once owned by the Laterani family who gave their name to the place, and the first church on the site was consecrated by Pope Sylvester I in the year 324. The cathedra or bishop's seat of the pope in this basilica symbolizes the authority of bishops to teach, sanctify, and govern the universal Church in the name of Jesus Christ.

On Tuesday we celebrate Pope Saint Leo the Great who served as Bishop of Rome in the 5th century. Pope Leo is a pivotal figure in the history of the Church and was the first pope to be called "Great." His theological brilliance at the Council of Chalcedon saved the Church from heresy, and his personal bravery saved the City of Rome from Attila the Hun.

On Wednesday we celebrate Saint Martin of Tours, who was born in Hungary in the year 316. Because his father was a senior officer in the Roman army, Martin grew up in northern Italy, and at the age of 10 he declared his desire to be a Catholic, but his parents opposed this, so he was not baptized until age 18. After brief service in the Roman army, Martin felt called to the priesthood and studied in France under Bishop Hilary of Poitiers, known to us as Saint Hilary, Doctor of the Church. In time, Martin became a priest and the Bishop of Tours, and he was known throughout Europe for his holiness even in his own lifetime, which ended in 397.

On Thursday we celebrate Saint Josaphat, a 17th century bishop who was raised in the Ukrainian Orthodox Church at a time of great tensions among Eastern Christians who were bitterly divided over whether or not they should be in communion with the Bishop of Rome. Josaphat became a monk at 24 and in due course became a bishop of the Catholic party among the Byzantine Christians in what is now Ukraine, leading to the formation of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church. In 1623, Saint Josaphat was murdered by an Orthodox mob and is therefore a martyr of Christian unity.

In these autumn days, nature reminds us that all living things die, even as spring will remind us of the promise of new life. So too does the Church's liturgical cycle teach us the wondrous ways in which grace transforms human life. This November we pray for the dead who are being prepared for the bright vision of God's glory and rejoice in the saints who already stand with the angels in the radiance of the One who is Light from Light. Praised be Jesus Christ! Now and forever!

Father Newman