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## **THE PARISH OF SAINT PATRICK**

*The Episcopal Church in Thousand Oaks*



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*The People's responses are in **BOLD**.*

*The People stand, as they are able.*

### Prelude

**Hymn 448, O love, how deep, how broad, how high      DEUS TUORUM MILITUM**

**The Easter Acclamation and Collect for Purity      BCP 355**

*Celebrant*      ✠ Alleluia. Christ is risen.

*People*      **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

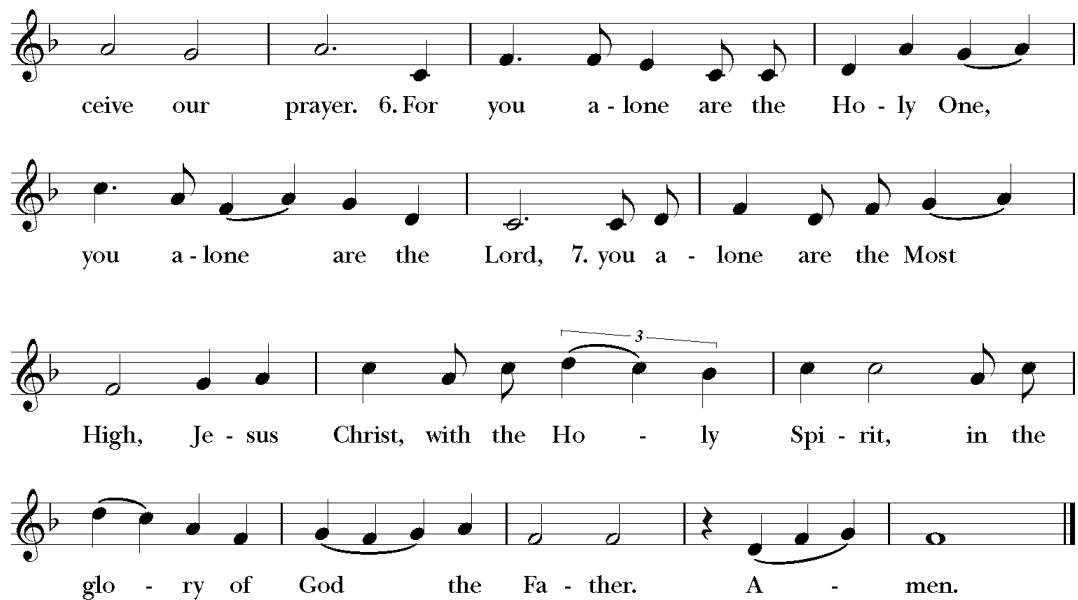
**A**Lmighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Hymn S-280, Glory to God**

**GLORIA IN EXCELSIS**



1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and  
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. 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. 3. Lord Je - sus  
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you  
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy  
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -



## The Salutation and Collect

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

**A**Lmighty 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 People are seated.*

## The First Reading

**ACTS 8:26-40**

**A**N 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.

*Lector* Hear what the Spirit is saying to the People.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

*A period of meditative silence follows the reading.*

## **Psalm 22:24-30 *Deus, Deus meus***

**BCP 612**

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

*People* **The poor shall eat and be satisfied,  
and those who seek the LORD shall praise him:  
"May your heart live for ever!"**

*Lector* All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD,  
and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.

*People* **For kingship belongs to the LORD;  
he rules over the nations.**

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

*People* **My soul shall live for him;  
my descendants shall serve him;  
they shall be known as the LORD's for ever.**

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

*A period of meditative silence follows the psalm.*

## **The Second Reading**

**1 JOHN 4:7-21**

**B**ELOVED, 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.

*Lector* Hear what the Spirit is saying to the People.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

*A period of meditative silence follows the reading*

## **The Gospel**

**JOHN 15:1-8**

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

✠ *People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

✠

**J**ESUS SAID TO HIS DISCIPLES, "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."

*Deacon* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## **The Homily**

**The Reverend George Daisa**

*A period of meditative silence follows the Homily.*

*All then stand, as they are able.  
The Nicene Creed, the ancient summary of the Christian faith,  
is recited by all in unison.*

## **The Nicene Creed**

**BCP 358**

**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, *Form VI*

BCP 392

*Intercessor* In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

*Silence.*

*People* For all people in their daily life and work;  
**For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

*Intercessor* For this community, the nation, and the world;

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

*Intercessor* For the just and proper use of your creation;

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

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

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

*Intercessor* For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

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

*Intercessor* For Michael, our Presiding Bishop; John, our Bishop; for our Clergy, George and Tom, and for all bishops and other ministers;

*People* **For all who serve God in his Church.**

*Intercessor* For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. We pray especially for: Shirley Bland, Shirley Beaven, Alex Manos, Zoe, Rick and Jodi, Lisa Martin, Josselyn, Paula Sloane, Maria, Stacy, Jackie, Carol, and any other persons whom you would like to remember now, either silently or aloud.

*The People may add their own petitions.*

Hear us, Lord;  
*People* **For your mercy is great.**

*Intercessor* We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. Please offer thanksgivings spoken either aloud or in the silence of your heart...

*The People may add their own thanksgivings.*

We will exalt you, O God our King;  
*People* **And praise your name for ever and ever.**

*Intercessor* We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom. We pray especially for any departed souls whom you wish to remember now, either silently or aloud...

*The People may add their own petitions.*

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;  
*People* **Who put their trust in you.**

*The Celebrant prays this concluding Collect.*

**A**Lmighty GOD, to whom our needs are known before we ask: Help us to ask only what accords with your will; and those good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.  
*Amen.*

## The Peace

*Deacon*      The peace of the Risen Lord be always with you.  
*People*      **And also with you.**

## Music at the Offertory

### The Offertory Sentence

**1 CHRONICLES 29:14**

*Celebrant*    All things come of thee, O Lord;  
*People*      **And of thine own have we given thee.**

## The Great Thanksgiving

**BCP 361**

The musical notation consists of four staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff is for the Celebrant, with the lyrics "The Lord be with you. And al - so with you." The second staff is for the People, with the lyrics "Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord." The third staff is for the Celebrant, with the lyrics "Let us give thanks to the Lord our God." The fourth staff is for the People, with the lyrics "It is right to give God thanks and praise." The notes are simple, using quarter and half notes, with some beams connecting them. There are also some decorative flourishes above certain notes.

*Celebrant*      *People*  
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

*Celebrant*      *People*  
Lift up your hearts. 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.

**I**T IS RIGHT AND A GOOD AND JOYFUL THING, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life. 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:



Ho - ly, ho - ly,

ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,

heaven 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.

**H**OLY 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 all 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*

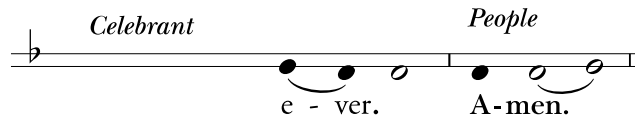
**Christ has died.  
Christ is risen.  
Christ will come again.**

*The Celebrant continues*

**W**E 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 forever. **AMEN.**



*The Altar Party bows solemnly to revere the Body and Blood of Christ.*

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

*All then pray together*

**O**UR 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. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

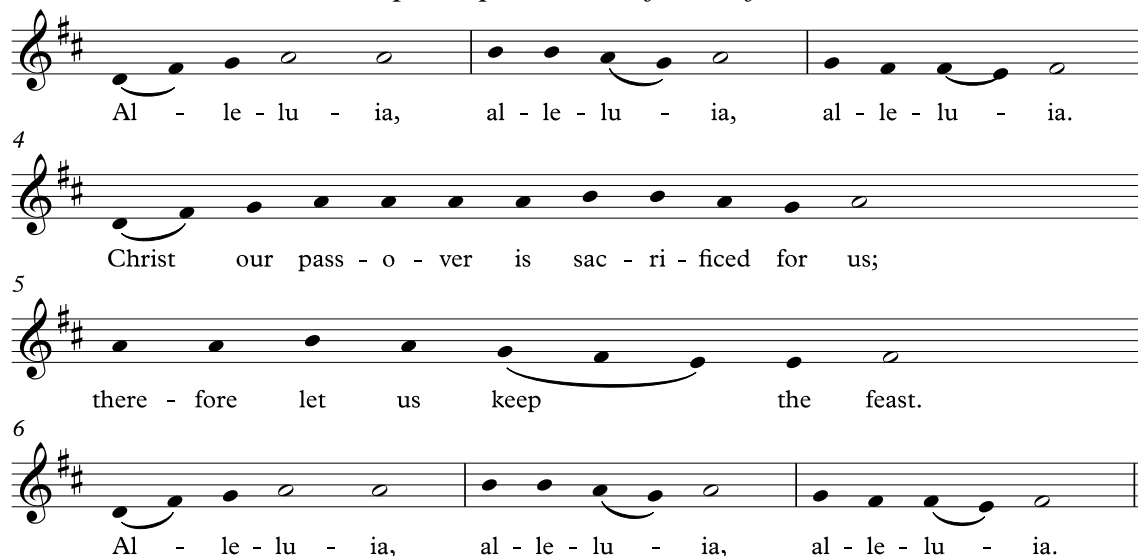
*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Host.*

**Fraction Anthem, Christ our Passover S-154, sung by all**

**Hurd**

*The Refrain, "Alleluia," is first sung by the Celebrant, and then repeated by the People.*

*Then the People repeat the Refrain after the Verse.*



**W**E DO NOT PRESUME TO COME TO THIS THY TABLE, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

**The Invitation**

*Celebrant*     The Gifts of God for the People of God: Holy Food, for Holy People.

*The People are seated.*

*All who seek God and are drawn to Christ are welcome to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion. Those who prefer not to receive the Sacrament may receive a blessing or prayer (please cross your arms over your chest).*

*Gluten-free hosts are available upon request.*

**Post-communion Prayer**

*Celebrant*     Let us pray.

*All then pray together.*

**A**Lmighty 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 forever. Amen.

**The Easter Blessing and Dismissal**

*Celebrant*     Live without fear: your Creator has made you holy, has always protected you, and loves you as a mother. Go in peace to follow the good road and may God's blessing be with you always.

*People*     **Amen.**

*Deacon*     Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia, alleluia!

*People*     **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!**

**Hymn 344, Lord, dismiss us with thy blessing**

**Postlude**

# Happy Easter!

*The Altar Flowers are given today to the glory of God, and in memory of Tom Kota, who died on St. Patrick's Day. Tom's cheerfulness and sharp sense of humor will always be remembered. He was one of our regulars at Sunday night meals, always polite, always grateful. Be at peace now Tom.*



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