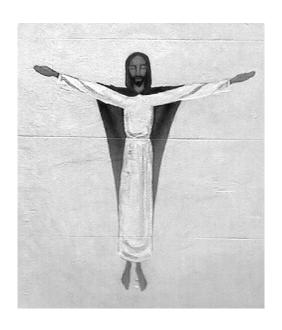
Saint Monica and Saint James CAPITOL HILL WASHINGTON DC



Feast of the Ascension
Sung Mass
May 9, 2024
7:00 PM

A Blessed Eastertide!

A very warm welcome to Saint Monica and Saint James.

Our Celebrant and Preacher today is The Rev. Dr. Ann J. Broomell

We sing from two Hymnals: The Hymnal 1982 and Lift Every Voice & Sing II. Our Mass is taken from the 1979 Book of Common Prayer, abbreviated H, LEV, BCP.

Restrooms are found through the doors at the rear of the church on the far side of the Frances Perkins Parish Hall.



VOLUNTARY

O Day That Is So Full of Joy! - Der Tag, der ist so freudenreich Johann Sebastian Bach

THE GATHERING

Please stand as you are able when the bell chimes.

Choir The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Choir Almighty God, grant that we may enter your house with reverence and

love, there to offer a service acceptable in your sight, through Jesus

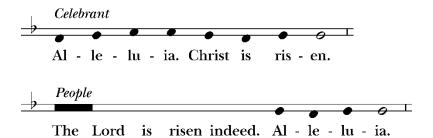
Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

INTROIT HYMN H214

Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise

After the Altar has been censed, the Celebrant says or sings the following words



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The Celebrant continues with the following prayer

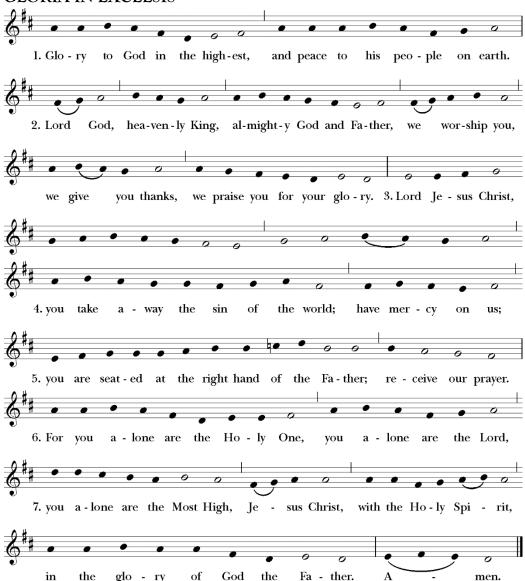
Celebrant Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthly magnify

your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

All Amen.



GLORIA IN EXCELSIS



S 277 from The Hymnal 1982. Setting: David Hurd (b. 1950), from New Plainsong.

THE COLLECT

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose blessed Son our Savior Jesus Christ ascended far above all heavens that he might fill all things: Mercifully give us faith to perceive that, according to his promise, he abides with his Church on earth, even to the end of the ages; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting.

All Amen.

Please sit for the reading of the lessons.

THE FIRST LESSON - Acts 1:1-11

Read by Anne Tomkinson

Reader A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. "This," he said, "is what you have heard from me; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."

So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

All repeat the Antiphon below after the Choir.



God has gone up with a shout, sing praise to God, sing prais - es.

The Choir sings the verses below.

All repeat the Antiphon above as marked.

- 1 Clap your hands, all you peoples; * shout to God with a cry of joy.
- 2 For the LORD Most High is to be feared; * he is the great King over all the earth.

Antiphon

- 3 He subdues the peoples under us, * and the nations under our feet.
- 4 He chooses our inheritance for us, * the pride of Jacob whom he loves.

Antiphon

- 5 God has gone up with a shout, * the LORD with the sound of the ram's-horn.
- 6 Sing praises to God, sing praises; * sing praises to our King, sing praises.

Antiphon

- 7 For God is King of all the earth; * sing praises with all your skill.
- 8 God reigns over the nations; * God sits upon his holy throne.

Antiphon

- 9 The nobles of the peoples have gathered together * with the people of the God of Abraham.
- 10 The rulers of the earth belong to God, * and he is highly exalted.

Antiphon

THE EPISTLE - Ephesians 1:15-23

Reader A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Ephesians

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

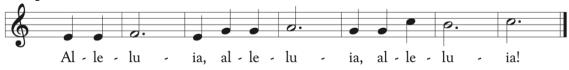
Reader The Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able for the Gospel procession.

THE ALLELUIA

All repeat after the Choir.



Choir God has gone up with a shout. The LORD with the sound of the ram's horn.

All repeat Alleluia.

THE GOSPEL - Luke 24:44-53

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

All Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to his disciples, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you~ that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high."

Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. And they worshiped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, Lord Christ.

All repeat the Alleluia.

THE SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Ann J. Broomell

THE NICENE CREED

Please stand as you are able.

All 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: (You are invited to bow your head)
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man. (We raise our heads again)
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

Please kneel as you are able for the prayers and confession. The Intercessor leads the prayers, after each prayer the following is said

Intercessor We pray to you O Lord.

All Lord, hear our prayer.

The Celebrant adds a concluding prayer.

THE PEACE

Please stand as you are able.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All And also with you.

We greet each other in the name of the Lord. Please remain standing as you are able.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please be seated as the Celebrant makes a few announcements.

To give online, please scan one of the following QR codes:





Please stand as you are able to sing the Offertory Hymn. A collection will be taken.

Representatives of the Congregation bring the people's offering of bread, wine, water, and the collection to the Celebrant. The Element Bearers stand at the Altar rail while the gifts are offered and placed on the altar. Please bow when the Congregation is censed by the Thurifer.

Please remain standing after the hymn.

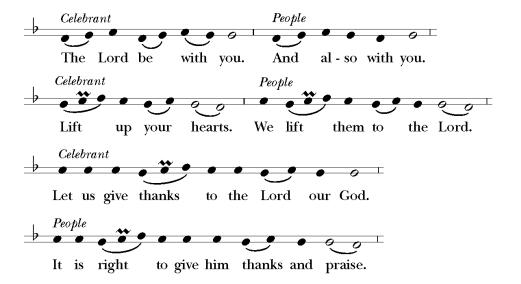
Please bow when the Congregation is censed by the thurifer.

Celebrant Pray, dear friends in Christ, that this my sacrifice and yours

may be acceptable to God, the almighty father

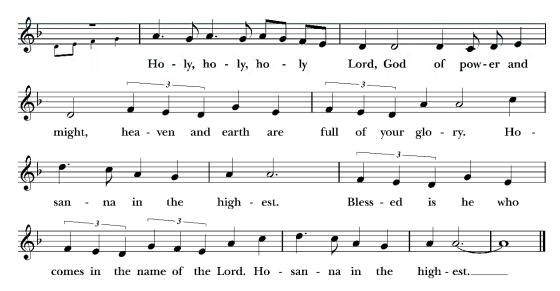
All May the Lord accept this sacrifice at your hands, for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his Church.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



The Celebrant continues, ending with

Who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:



Hymn S 129. Setting: Robert Powell (b. 1932).

Please kneel as you are able as the Celebrant continues the Eucharistic Prayer Celebrant Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

The Celebrant continues, ending with:

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.

All Amen.

A time of silence is kept.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

All 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.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,

for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF BREAD

Celebrant Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

All Therefore let us keep the feast, Alleluia.





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THE GIVING OF COMMUNION

Celebrant Behold the Lamb of God behold him who takes away

the sins of the world.

All Lord, I am not worthy that you should come under my roof,

but speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed.

Please make your way to the Altar rail as directed by an usher. Kneel or stand. Both the Host and Chalice will be offered. Should you wish to receive the Chalice, please remain kneeling or standing at the altar rail after receiving the Host. Please let the Celebrant know if you would like a gluten free host.

The Host and the Chalice are given with these words

The Body (Blood) of our Lord Jesus Christ keep you in everlasting life. Amen.

COMMUNION ANTHEM

O God the King of Glory

O God the King of glory, who hast exalted thine only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph into heaven; We beseech thee, leave us not comfortless; but send to us thy Holy Ghost to comfort us, and exalt us unto the same place where our Savior Christ is gone before us. Amen.

Words: Collect for the Sunday after Ascension Day Music: Henry Purcell (1659-1695)

The Choir sings through once, then All sing three times.



Translation: Praise the Lord, all you peoples.

Hymn 829 from Wonder, Love, and Praise. Words: Psalm 117. Music: Jacques Berthier (1923-1994).

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Please kneel as you are able.

Celebrant

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 forever.

Amen.

THE EASTER BLESSING

Celebrant

May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessings.

All

Amen.

Celebrant

May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever.

All

Amen.

Celebrant

May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance.

All

Amen.

Celebrant

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy

Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever.

All

Amen.

THE DISMISSAL



Let us go forth in the name of Christ, al-le-lu - ia,





VOLUNTARY

Today Triumphs God's Only Son-Heut triumphieret Gottes Sohn J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

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