



And in the temple of the LORD \* **all are crying, "Glory!"**

The LORD sits enthroned above the flood; \* **the LORD sits enthroned as King for evermore.**

The LORD shall give strength to his people; \* **the LORD shall give his people the blessing of peace.**

## The Second Lesson

Acts 10:34-43

Peter began to speak to them: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

## The Sequence Hymn: 116 "I Come," the Great Redeemer Cries

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*Stanzas 1 & 2 are sung before the Gospel, stanzas 3, 4, & 5 are sung after.*

## The Gospel

Matthew 3:13-17

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

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

Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness." Then he consented. And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased."

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## The Sermon

The Reverend Carmen Germino

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## The Prayers of the People, [Form II](#)

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Together we pray for: *Barbara, Bob, Bob, Bobbie, Carolyn, Clarence, Courtney, Donna, Ellie, Erin, Hilary, Jackie, Jeanie, Jeff, Judy, Mike, Ralph, Rebecca, Roger, Sandy, Sandy, Stephanie, Suzanne, Tara, Tate.*

## The Confession and Absolution

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*Celebrant*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Celebrant and People*

**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.**

## The Exchange of the Peace

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

People: **And also with you.**

## The Greeting and Announcements

# The Holy Communion

**The Offertory Anthem:** When Jesus Came to Jordan

Fred Pratt Green & Ralph Vaughan Williams

When Jesus Came to Jordan to be baptized by John, he did not come for pardon but as the Sinless One.  
He came to share repentance with all who mourn their sins, to speak the vital sentence with which good news begins.  
He came to share temptation, our utmost woe and loss, for us and our salvation to die upon the cross.  
So when the dove descended on him, the Son of Man, the hidden years had ended, the age of grace began.  
Come, Holy Spirit, aid us to keep the vows we make; this very day invade us, and ev'ry bondage break.  
Come, give our lives direction, the gift we covet most: to share the resurrection that leads to Pentecost.

*Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord. To utilize our text-to-give option, simply text "ALBANS" to 73256.*

## The Presentation of Gifts

### The Doxology

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**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;  
praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

### The Great Thanksgiving, Prayer B

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### The Sursum Corda

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 him thanks and praise.**

#### *Celebrant*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. *The Celebrant continues...*

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:

### The Sanctus: Holy, Holy, Holy

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#### *Celebrant and People*

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

#### *Celebrant*

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 Alban and 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 for ever. **Amen.**

*Celebrant*

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

## **The Lord's Prayer**

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*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. 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 Fraction Anthem: Christ Our Passover**

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**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

## **The Ministration of Communion**

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## **Communion Hymn: 120 The Sinless One to Jordan Came**

SOLEMNIS HAEC FESTIVITAS

## **The Prayer for Spiritual Communion**

*This prayer is meant to be prayed by those who are unable to attend in-person worship for any reason.*

In union, blessed Jesus, with the faithful gathered at every altar of your Church where your blessed Body and Blood are offered this day, (and remembering particularly my own parish and those worshipping there) I long to offer you praise and thanksgiving, for creation and all the blessings of this life, for the redemption won for us by your life, death, and resurrection, for the means of grace and the hope of glory. I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since I cannot at this time receive communion, I pray you to come into my heart, my soul, and my mind. Let nothing separate me from you; let me serve you in this life until, by your grace, I come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen.

## **The Post Communion Prayer**

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*Celebrant*

Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

**Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## **The Blessing**

## **The Recessional Hymn: 296 We Know That Christ Is Raised and Dies No More**

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## **The Dismissal**

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Deacon: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

## **The Postlude: When Christ's Appearing Was Made Known**

German tune, arr. Hassler

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