



## Mary of Magdala, ECC July 18, 2021 - 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time In Sanctuary and on Zoom

Participants at home may wish to prepare their home worship space with a lit candle and the food and drink to be remotely shared.

### Announcements *Lector Ralph Dorland*

### BLM/Social Justice reflection *Tom Moos, Chair Social Justice Ministry.*

*(Pause to hold this message in our hearts.)*

### Entrance Song *(please join in with Bill while muted)*

#### May Your Kingdom Come

1. Spirit of God, fill us with fire,  
to shine your light for all those in need.  
Give us the strength to love in your name,  
so all the world will come to believe.

#### Refrain

May your kingdom come, that justice may reign.  
May your kingdom come, that justice may reign.  
May our lives bear witness to the pow'r of your  
name. May your kingdom come, that justice may  
reign.

2. Giver of life, send out your Spirit;  
anoint your people that we might be healed.  
Send us with joy to the weak and the lowly,  
and let our love be your love revealed.

3. We will go out proclaiming the kingdom;  
we will go out with mercy for all.  
We will go out and serve with abandon,  
with courage now to answer the call.

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### Greeting

**ALL: In the name of the Abba/Amma God, ✠ and of  
the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

*Co-Pastor Rev. Jane Reina*  
Our Christ is with you.

**All: And also with you.**

### Penitential Rite *Co-Pastor Rev. Jane Reina*

As we prepare to celebrate the mysteries of  
God's faithfulness freely given, let us pause to  
reflect our following the Way of Christ as we  
have been called.

Jesus, our Christ, you came to gather all  
peoples into the one fold of the eternal  
Compassionate One, have mercy.

**All: Have mercy on us all.**

Jesus, Anointed One, you showed us that God's  
will is our true center. Whenever our lives  
become self-centered, have mercy.

**All: Have mercy on us.**

Christ Jesus, your compassion is the way to open  
hearts. When we close our hearts and our sisters  
and brothers become 'other', have mercy on us.

**All: Have mercy on us.**



Jesus, God Embodied, justice and peace meet in your challenge. When we become static and stale with pride, have mercy on us.

**All: Have mercy on us.**

May Almighty Compassionate God have mercy on us, forgive us our failings, and shepherd us to your abundant life.

**All: Amen**

## Opening Prayer

*Co-Pastor Dcn Rosean Amaral*

Let us center ourselves in prayer.

*Co-Pastor Rev. Jane Reina*

O Compassionate One, the ultimate union of justice and mercy, we thank you for your constant, every faithful love for your

creations. We look to you embodied in Jesus, our Christ, as the Way to open our eyes, to be you in our world, to be one in you. Send your Spirit Sophia to guide us and give us understanding and compassion unequivocally and universally. **All: Amen**

## Glory to God – *(please join in singing)*

Refrain

Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace to people of good will.

1. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you,  
we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great  
glory,  
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

2. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
you take away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us;

you take away the sins of the world,  
receive our prayer;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,  
have mercy on us.

3. For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

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*Co-Pastor Dcn Rosean Amaral*

And now let us listen to the inspired Word of God in our midst

## Liturgy of the Word

### 1<sup>st</sup> Reading - *Compassionate One* from *Fragments of Your Ancient Name*

by **Joyce Rupp**.— *Lector Ralph Dorland*

When did the people of your era  
distinguish you  
as the person from whom compassion  
flowed?

Perhaps it was the way you touched a  
leper's hand  
or how you stopped to hear the widow's  
pain.



Maybe when you interrupted self-righteous men  
And freed the frightened woman about to be stoned,  
Or the tone of your voice when you responded  
To the blind beggars' pleas to regain their sight.  
Wherever you went, you moved closer to pain

Doing all you could to ease suffering and to heal.

I learn how to care from the  
Compassionate One

Words Inspired by God.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

### **Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 23**—*Lector Ralph Dorland*

The Response is: Shepherd us, O God, and renew our spirits.

**All: Shepherd us, O God, and renew our spirits.**

O my Beloved, You are my shepherd, I shall not lack for anything. You bring me to green pastures for rest and lead me beside still waters, renewing my spirit. You restore my soul. You lead me in the path of goodness to follow Love's way.

**Response: Shepherd us O God, and renew our spirits.**

Even though I walk through the valley of shadow and death, I am not afraid. For you are ever with me; Your blessings and Your staff they guide me,

they give me strength and comfort.

**Response: Shepherd us O God and renew our spirits.**

You prepare a table before me in the presence of all my fears. You bless me with oil, my cup overflows. Surely goodness and mercy will follow me all the days of my life; and I shall dwell in the heart of the Beloved forever.

**Response: Shepherd us O God and renew our spirits.**

### **The Second Reading - 1Peter 5. 1-4** - *Lector Jim Berry*

Beloved sisters and brothers,  
I exhort the presbyters among you, as a fellow presbyter and witness to the sufferings of Christ and one who has a share in the glory to be revealed.

Tend the flock of God in your midst. Watch over your people not by constraint but willingly, as God would have it, and not for shameful profit

but eagerly. Do not "lord it" over those assigned to you. Be examples to the flock. And when the chief Shepherd is revealed, you will receive the unfading crown of glory

The Word of God.

**All: Thanks be to God**

### **Gospel Acclamation –**

Refrain  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.



“I am the good shepherd,” says the Lord;  
“I know my sheep, and mine know me.”

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## Gospel Reading – Mark 6. 30-34 Co-Pastor Dcn Rosean Amaral

The Risen Christ be with you all.  
A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark

Upon returning to Jesus, the apostles reported all they had done and taught. He said to them, “Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while.” Many people were coming and going in great numbers, and they did not even have time to eat. So, they left in a boat by themselves to a deserted place.

Many people saw them leaving and recognized them. They hastened on foot from all the towns, arriving at the place ahead of them.

**All: And also with you.**  
**All: Glory to you, O God+**

When Jesus disembarked and saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with compassion for them, for they were like sheep without a shepherd. He began to teach them many things.

The Good News of Salvation of Jesus our Christ  
**All: Praise to you, Jesus the Christ**

## Homily Co-Pastor Rev. Jane Reina

## Prayers of the People

Co-Pastor Rev. Jane Reina

Called to be ministers of Christ’s power, let us intercede for the needs of the church and the world ...

Lector Matt Chavez

The response is: Compassionate One, hear our prayers

**All: Compassionate One, hear our prayers**

For the 301 Faith Partners and all churches and faith traditions, that we may continue to allow people to feel comfortable gathering together, we pray, **Response: Compassionate One, hear our prayers.**

For our elected officials that they may work towards real voting laws that are fair, equitable, and inclusive so that all voices may be heard in our elections, we pray,

**Response: Compassionate One, hear our prayers.**

For all people who are sick, physically or mentally, or recovering from medical procedures that they may receive the help they need and feel the love of God as they heal, we pray,  
**Response: Compassionate One, hear our prayers.**

I now invite you to add your own prayers so that our community may support you. If you are in the sanctuary, raise your hand and Kerrie will bring the mic to you. If you are on zoom please type your prayer into the chat feature and Kerrie will read the prayer request. . .



(Jim to respond to each prayer ... we pray **All: Compassionate One, hear our prayers.**

(Kerrie to read those prayers that are written in Zoom's chat feature.)... we pray: **All: Compassionate One, hear our prayers.**

And for those on our Prayer List and all the prayers we hold in the privacy of our hearts, we pray. **All: Compassionate One, hear our prayers.**

*Co-Pastor Rev. Jane Reina*

Compassionate One, you raise up prophets to lead the way regardless of their acceptance. Help us to speak against the economic, social, and religious injustices of every age. Hear our prayers

and anoint our challenge through your Son, Jesus our Christ, in whose name we pray and minister.

**All: Amen**

## Sign of Peace

*Co-Pastor Rev. Jane Reina*

Celebrating God's faithfulness, may the peace of Christ be with you always. **ALL: And also with you.**

*Co-Pastor Dcn Rosean Amaral*

For those on Zoom unmute and go to gallery view, that all might share with one another a sign of Christ's peace. For those in the sanctuary please offer a gesture for a sign of peace.

## Offertory Song *(please join in singing)*

### The Lord is my Shepherd – Psalm 23

Refrain

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

1. He lets me rest in open fields so green.

He leads me to the quiet streams.

He gives me strength

and guides me in his ways.

He renews his promises each day.

2. He is my guide, my shepherd and my king,

and in my fear he offers peace.

Though I walk through the valley,  
I will not be afraid.

You will protect me; I'll be saved.

3. He goes before me;  
my enemies will fall.

He is my shepherd and my shield.

His anointing is upon me,

and I will overcome.

His blessing cannot be undone.

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## Liturgy of the Eucharist

### Preparation of the Gifts

*Co-Pastor Dcn Rosean Amaral*

As we prepare our tables, offering food and drink here and in our homes, we are reminded that our offerings of time, talent and treasure sustain the mission of God's Church. Continue to give as you

are called and able. The offertory basket is here in front of the altar for any offering you may have.



## Offertory

*Co-Pastor Rev. Jane Reina*

Blessed are you, God of all creation, through your goodness we have this bread to offer, which earth has given and human hands have made. It will become for us the bread of life.

**All: Blessed be God forever.**

*Co-Pastor Dcn Rosean Amaral*

By the mystery of this water and wine may we come to share in the divinity of Christ who humbled himself to share in our humanity.

*Co-Pastor Rev. Jane Reina*

Blessed are you, God of all creation, through your goodness we have this wine to offer. Fruit of the vine and work of human hands, it will become our spiritual drink.

**All: Blessed be God forever.**

God, we ask you to receive us and be pleased with the sacrifice we offer you with humble and contrite hearts.

O Compassionate One, wash away our iniquity; cleanse us from sin.

Pray, sisters and brothers, that our sacrifice may be acceptable to God, the Source and Ground of our Being.

**All: May the Compassionate One accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of God's name, for our good, and the good of all God's Church.**

## Prayer Over the Gifts

Loving God, accept these gifts we now offer You, taken from the earth and transformed by human hands into bread and wine for this table.

May these gifts be transformed by your Spirit into the body and blood of Christ, ever-present in your people gathered. We ask this through Jesus our Christ.

**All: Amen**

## Eucharistic Prayer

*Co-Pastor Rev. Jane Reina*

Christ is with you.  
Lift up your hearts.  
Let us give thanks to our God.

Amma/Abba God, we do well always and everywhere to offer you thanks through Jesus our Christ.

Here in this place and across the miles that separate us it is indeed right and good to thank you and praise you, Compassionate One, through Jesus our Christ. Burning in his heart was your love for us and your passion for justice. By asking that your will be done, he proclaimed your message to your people, and emptied himself for the life of the world. In awe of so great a love and acknowledging our own participation in it, we join the prophets and saints who have gone

**All: And also with you.**

**All: We lift them up to God..**

**All: It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

before us and all the spirits of wisdom and revelation in their unending song of praise:

**Holy** – *Mass of the Desert*

*(Please join in singing)*

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God,**

**Lord God, Lord God of hosts.**

**Heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

**Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

**Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**



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Flowing from the glory that was yours before all time and space, the Love that you shared in the act of Creation, and the same Love that was revealed in the mystery of the Incarnation and is now flowing over us —send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon the offerings here set before you.

Bless these gifts that they may become the ultimate sign and symbol of Christ's inclusive blessing. Together with our members of this Body of Christ who are gathered in other locations, we remember what Jesus did at table and in life.

Compassionate God, send your Holy Spirit, Sophia, to settle on this bread and wine, bless them, † and fill them with the fullness of Jesus our Christ..

Among friends, gathered round a table, He took bread and gave you thanks. He broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said:

**ALL: Take this all of you, and eat it: this is my Body, which will be given up for you.**

When supper was ended, he took the cup; Again he gave you thanks and, handing the cup to his disciples, said:

**ALL: Take this, all of you, and drink from it: This is the cup of my Blood, the Blood of the new and everlasting covenant. It will be shed for you and for all so that sins may be forgiven. Do this in memory of me.**

*Dcn. Co-Pastor Rosean*

Let us proclaim the mystery of our faith:

*(Please join in singing)*

**All: When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.**

*Co-Pastor Rev. Jane Reina*

Compassionate God, we celebrate the memory of Jesus, the Incarnated Christ, all that Christ did and continues to do to bring us to wholeness together. While we ask you to remember all our sisters and brothers of many faiths and spiritual paths offering their own insights and blessings, remember, too, your Church, united across the miles. Make us grow in love, together with all who have heard and follow the calling handed down to us from the Apostles. Continue to guide us as laypersons, deacons and priests for the special ministry given to the Body of Christ, praying especially for its local incarnation, in union with our local bishops Armondo, Kedda, and our bishop-elect Kae.

Remember, Compassionate God, all those who have died, especially those who were failed by our society and died in want.

Welcome them into your loving presence with Mary, your Mother, our patron Mary of Magdala, and all your apostles, martyrs, and saints as they enjoy the fullness of the communion that is our destiny.

**All: Through Christ, with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for all glory and honor is yours, Almighty God, forever and ever.**

**Amen** - *Mass of the Desert*

*(Please join in singing)*

**Amen, amen, amen.**

**Amen, amen, amen.**

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## The Prayer of Jesus - *Co-Pastor Rev. Jane Reina*

*Dcn. Co-Pastor Rosean*



Let us pray in the words Jesus gave us:

**All: Abba/Amma in heaven, Holy be Your name.  
Your kin-dom come, Your will be done, on earth  
as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin  
against us. Save us from the time of trial and  
deliver us from evil. For the kin-dom, the power,  
and the glory are yours, now and forever.  
Amen**

*Co-Pastor Rev. Jane Reina*

Deliver us, Compassionate One, from every ill,  
and grant us peace in our day.

In your mercy keep us free from fear and protect  
us from all anxiety as we wait in joyful hope for  
the coming of our Savior, Jesus our Christ.

## **The Shared Table** - *Co-Pastor Rev. Jane Reina*

**Lamb of God** - *Mass of the Desert*  
(Please join in singing)

**Lamb of God,  
you take away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God,  
you take away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God,  
you take away the sins of the world,  
grant us peace.**

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*Co-Pastor Rev. Jane Reina*

This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin  
of the world. Happy are we who are called to this  
supper.

**All: Jesus, our Christ, I am worthy to receive**

**you, because by your Word I am healed.**

As we partake of this food for our journey, let us  
proclaim together

**All: In this we are a Eucharistic People, the Body  
of Christ incarnate, the Blood of Christ poured  
out for the life of the world.**

And so we commit ourselves to the community  
of faith in which this wonder unfolds.

May the mystery of our participation in this  
sacred mystery enliven our faith, inspire our  
service, and incarnate your Compassionate Love  
wherever we may be

This food from God is offered to the people of  
God, without exception. All are welcome, here  
and virtually at this banquet of Love and  
Compassion. Let your hunger be satisfied.

## **Communion Song** - (please join in singing)

### **You Alone**

Refrain

You alone are holy,  
you alone are Lord.  
You alone are worthy to be honored and adored.  
Mercy you have given,  
kindness you have shown.  
Love is you alone.

1. Who of us is sinless in this place?

Who of us deserves your saving grace?  
Who of us is good at all without your blessed  
love that falls upon our hearts  
to heal our brokenness?

2. What is there to do but thank you, then,  
for the gift that we might call you friend?  
Greater love has not been known



than that for which you gave your only son, that you might see us, pure and blessed.

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## Prayer after Communion and Blessing

*Co-Pastor Dcn Rosean Amaral*  
Let us pray...

*Co-Pastor Rev. Jane Reina*  
Compassionate One, you renew our relationship with you and with one another through the grace flowing from your sacraments. By your grace, make us what you have called us to be, so that being faithful to our call, we may minister effectively as Christ's body in the world. This we ask, in Jesus' name.

**All: Amen**

*Co-Pastor Dcn Rosean Amaral*  
Let us bow our heads and receive God's blessing

*Co-Pastor Rev. Jane Reina*  
O Compassionate One, embody us with your compassion as Jesus embodied you. May our Loving God bless you in the name of Amma/Abba God, Jesus our Christ and Holy Spirit, Sophia.

**All: Amen**

## Dismissal *Co-Pastor Dcn Rosean Amaral*

Let us go forth into the world with the power of the Holy Spirit to live the Compassion of God.  
**All: Thanks be to God.**

## Closing Song - *(please join in singing)*

### We are the Light

Refrain

We are the light,  
light of the world  
shining for the world to see!  
We are the light,  
light of the world  
shining for the world to see!

1. Darkness growing ev'rywhere,  
hiding in the light!  
How can our hope endure this endless night?

2. Someone calls us each by name,  
knowing our disguise,  
to hear and act in faith, to realize that

3. Listen to that still, small voice  
calling us to life,  
to make a conscious choice to live in Christ.

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