



## Holy Eucharist: Rite II

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Please stand, as you are able, at the tolling of the bell.

Prelude:

Processional Hymn 469

*There's a Wideness in God's Mercy*

*Introduction*

1 There's a wide-ness in God's mer - cy like the wide-ness  
 2 There is no place where earth's sor - rows are more felt than  
 3 For the love of God is broad - er than the mea - sure

of the sea; there's a kind - ness in his jus -  
 up in heaven; there is no place where earth's fail -  
 of the mind; and the heart of the E - ter -

tice, which is more than lib - er - ty. There is wel - come  
 ings have such kind - ly judg - ment given. There is plen - ti -  
 nal is most won - der - ful - ly kind. If our love were

for the sin - ner, and more grac - es for the good; there is mer - cy  
 ful re - demp - tion in the blood that has been shed; there is joy for  
 but more faith - ful, we should take him at his word; and our life would

*Interlude/Conclusion*

with the Sa - vior; there is heal - ing in his blood.  
 all the mem - bers in the sor - rows of the Head.  
 be thanks - giv - ing for the good - ness of the Lord.

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People: His mercy endures for ever.

The Celebrant says:

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 worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Kyrie

Jodi Page Clark

1. Look around you can you see Times are trou - bled  
2. Walk a - mong them, I'll go with you Reach out to them -  
3. For - give us Fa - ther, hear our prayer We would walk with you

peo - ple grieve with my hands. an - y - where, See the vio - lence, suf - fer with me, through your suff - ring, feel the hard - ness and to - geth - er with for - give - ness,

all my peo - ple, weep with me. Ky - ri - e e -  
we will serve them help them stand.  
take your life in - to the world

lei - son, Chris - te e - lei - son, Ky - ri - e e -

le - - - i - son.

## The Salutation & Collect

*We pray for God's help in a special area of our worship today.*

Presider: The Lord be with you.  
People: **And also with you.**  
Presider: Let us pray.

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## The Lessons

*Please be seated*

### The First Lesson Joshua 5:9-12

*The story of God's preparing the world for Christ*

The LORD said to Joshua, "Today I have rolled away from you the disgrace of Egypt." And so that place is called Gilgal to this day.

While the Israelites were camped in Gilgal they kept the passover in the evening on the fourteenth day of the month in the plains of Jericho. On the day after the passover, on that very day, they ate the produce of the land, unleavened cakes and parched grain. The manna ceased on the day they ate the produce of the land, and the Israelites no longer had manna; they ate the crops of the land of Canaan that year.

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

## The Psalm

*We say one of the Bible's ancient hymns testifying to the glory of God.*

Psalm 32

*Beati quorum*

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- 1 Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, \*  
and whose sin is put away!
- 2 Happy are they to whom the LORD imputes no guilt, \*  
and in whose spirit there is no guile!
- 3 While I held my tongue, my bones withered away, \*  
because of my groaning all day long.
- 4 For your hand was heavy upon me day and night; \*  
my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.
- 5 Then I acknowledged my sin to you, \*  
and did not conceal my guilt.
- 6 I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD." \*  
Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.

7 Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble; \*  
when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.

8 **You are my hiding-place;**  
**you preserve me from trouble; \***  
**you surround me with shouts of deliverance.**

9 "I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go; \*  
I will guide you with my eye.

10 **Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding; \***  
**who must be fitted with bit and bridle,**  
**or else they will not stay near you."**

11 Great are the tribulations of the wicked; \*  
but mercy embraces those who trust in the LORD.

12 **Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the LORD; \***  
**shout for joy, all who are true of heart.**

## **The Second Lesson    2 Corinthians 5:16-21**

*We learn from the experiences of the first Christians.*

From now on, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

**Reader:**            The Word of the Lord.

**People:**            Thanks be to God.

**Gospel Hymn        Cause Me to Come**

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# CAUSE ME TO COME

**D** **A7**

Cause me to come to drink from the river -- O Lord.

**G** **A7** **D**

Cause me to come to drink from the river -- O Lord.

**D7** **G**

Cause me to come to drink from the river -- O Lord;

**Dsus<sup>4</sup> D** **A7** **G** **D**

Cause me to come, cause me to drink, cause me to live.

**The Gospel** Please stand as you are able, and face the Gospel Book.

*We hear the Good News of Jesus Christ.*

**Gospeller:** The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke (15:1-3, 11b-32)

**People:** Glory be to thee, O Lord.

All the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

So Jesus told them this parable:

"There was a man who had two sons. The younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me.' So he divided his property between them. A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and traveled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. But when he came to himself he said, 'How many of my father's hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands."' So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. Then the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' But the father said to his slaves, 'Quickly, bring out a robe—the best one—and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!' And they began to celebrate.

"Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. He replied, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound.' Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. But he answered his father, 'Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!' Then the father said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found.'"

Gospeller:      The Gospel of the Lord.  
People:          Praise to you, Lord Christ.

*Please be seated for the*

**Homily**

The Rev. Leland B. Jones

*We reflect on the Word of God and what it means today.*

**The Nicene Creed**

*Please stand as you are able*

*We state the beliefs that unite us.*

**Presider and People:** 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 worshipped 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

*Presider:* In this holy season let us turn to God in prayer, saying: Lord, have mercy

*Intercessor:* For the catechumens and for all the holy people of God (*silence*), that we may embrace the folly of the cross and become ministers of reconciliation in a broken world, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For this nation and all nations (*silence*), that we may generously share the produce of the land, both in plenty and in want, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the alienated and rejected of this world (*silence*), that all may come to know God's welcome to sit down at table, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For this community (*silence*), that we may learn from God to seek the lost and to rejoice when they are found, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For our own needs and those of others, that God may be our hope and consolation, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

*(Here other intercessions may be offered)*

*Presider:* God of mercy and compassion, bring us back to you when we stray, and give us again the joy of proclaiming among the nations your saving deeds. We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### Confession of Sin

*Presider:* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Please stand or sit. Silence may be kept.*

*Presider 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.**

*Presider:* Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen**

## The Peace

*Please stand as you are able.*

*We greet one another as members of Christ's family.*

*Presider:* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

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

*The people may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

*Please refrain from physical touching and maintain 6' distance from non-family members.*

## The Holy Communion

### The Offertory

*Please be seated.*

## Offertory Sentence

Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good your vows to the Most High.

## Offertory Hymn      *There Is A Redeemer*

### There is A Redeemer

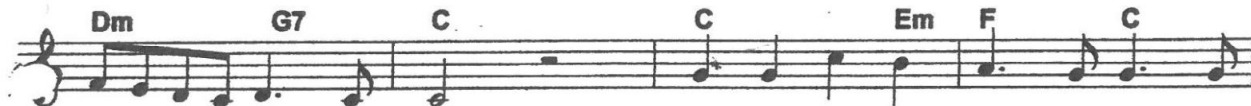
Melody Greer



1. There is a re - deem er      Je - sus God's own  
2. Je - sus, my Re - deem - er,      Name a bove all  
3. When I stand in glo - ry      I will see His



Son                      pre - cious Lamb of God,      Mes-si - ah,  
names,                      Pre - cious Lamb of God,      Mes-si - ah,  
face,                      and there I'll serve my King      for-ev - er,



Ho - ly one.                      Thank You, o my Fa - ther for  
hope for sin - ners slaim. .  
In that ho - ly place.



giv-ing us your Son:                      and leav - ing Your



Spir - it till the work- on- earth is done.

## Presentation of Gifts & Doxology

*Please stand as you are able.*



All say: 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** (*Eucharistic Prayer C*)      **BCP 369**

*Presider:* The Lord be with you.

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

*Presider:* Lift up your hearts.

***People:* We lift them to the Lord.**

*Presider:* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

*Presider:* God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

***People:* Glory to you forever and ever.**

*Presider:* At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

***People:* By your will they were created and have their being.**

*Presider:* From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

***People:* Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.**

*Presider:* Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

***People:* By his blood, he reconciled us.  
By his wounds, we are healed.**

*Presider:* And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

**The Sanctus**

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**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.**

*The people stand or kneel, as they are able, and the Presider continues:*

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

***People:*** We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

*Presider:* Lord God of our ancestors: God of Abraham and Sarah, Isaac and Rebekah, Jacob and Rachel; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

***People:*** Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

*Presider:* Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **AMEN. AMEN. AMEN.**

*Presider:* And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we pray in song,

#### **The Lord's Prayer**

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 the Bread**

*Presider:* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

***People:*** Therefore, let us keep the feast.

Fraction Anthem

*Lamb of God*

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# Lamb Of God

Words and Music by  
Twila Paris

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1 Your on - ly Son, no sin to hide; But You have  
(2. Your gift of) love they cru - ci - fled; They laughed and  
(3. I was so) lost I should have died; But You have



sent Him from Your side, to walk up - on this guilt - y  
scorned Him as He died, The hum - ble King they named a  
brought me to Your side to be led by Your staff and



sod, and to be - come the Lamb of God. 2. Your gift of  
fraud, and sac - ri - ficed the Lamb of  
rod, and to be called a lamb of



God. Oh Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God, I love the



ho - ly Lamb of God, Oh, wash me in His pre - cious



blood, my Je - sus Christ, the Lamb of God. 3. I was so

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blood, my Je - sus Christ, the Lamb of God.

## The Communion

### The Invitation

Presider: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

(Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.)

### The Communion of the People

*All are welcome at the Lord's Table.*

*Please proceed to the altar when invited to do so by the usher.*

**Receiving Communion at St. John's:** To receive bread, extend your hands, palms up and the Presider will place a consecrated host in them that has been intincted in the chalice. Please ingest the host while at the Altar and exit to the left, outside, to return to your pew.

**Prayer for those Seeking Spiritual Communion** *(To be said by those not present)*

**My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar.**

**I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul.**

**Since I cannot receive you in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, come spiritually into my heart.**

**Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you.**

**May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.**

**Communion Hymn**

*Fear Not, For I Have Redeemed You*

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With assurance (♩ = 100)

# Fear not, for I have redeemed you

Refrain

Fear not, for I have re-deemed you; I have called you by name. I have called you by name; you are mine.

1. When you pass through the wa-ters I will be with you;
2. Be-cause you are pre-cious and I love you.
3. You are my wit-ness-es; I have cho-sen you
4. It's time now to lay a-side the for-mer things;
5. The riv-ers that flow in the des-ert

and through riv-ers, they will not o-ver-whelm you.  
 you whom I formed for my glo-ry,  
 that you may know and be-lieve me.  
 a new day has dawned, do you see it?  
 give drink to my cho-sen peo-ple;

When you walk through the fire you will not be burned; the  
 You whom I called by my Name,  
 You are my ser-vants for the world to see.  
 I'm mak-ing a way in the wil-der-ness, and  
 to quench their thirst and to strength-en them, that

flames will not con-sume you.  
 I will gath-er to-geth-er.  
 I am the Lord, I'm a-mong you.  
 riv-ers to flow in the des-ert.  
 they might show forth my praise.

**Prayer after Communion**                      Sit or stand as you are able.

Presider:                      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.

**Solemn Prayer**

*The Presider prays over the people, first saying:*

Bow down before the Lord.

Grant, most merciful Lord, to your faithful people pardon and peace, that they may be cleansed from all their sins, and serve you with a quiet mind; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Prayers**

*Please be seated*

For Birthdays (BCP Page 830), Anniversaries (BCP Page 431), and Travel.


**Announcements**

**Closing Hymn 693**


*Just As I Am*

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1 Just as I am, with - out one plea, but that thy  
 2 Just as I am, though tossed a - bout with man - ya  
 \*3 Just as I am, poor, wretch - ed, blind; sight, rich - es,  
 4 Just as I am: thou wilt re - ceive; wilt wel - come,  
 5 Just as I am, thy love un - known has bro - ken



1 blood was shed for me, and that thou bidd'st me  
 2 con - flict, man - ya doubt; fight - ings and fears with -  
 3 heal - ing of the mind, yea, all I need, in  
 4 par - don, cleanse, re - lieve, be - cause thy prom - ise  
 5 ev - ery bar - rier down; now to be thine, yea,



1 come to thee, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.  
 2 in, with - out, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.  
 3 thee to find, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.  
 4 I be - lieve, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.  
 5 thine a - lone, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

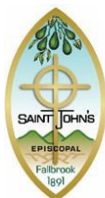
## Dismissal

Presider:

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People:

Thanks be to God.



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