

THE WORD OF GOD

Voluntary

Cantabile, from Symphonie VI

Charles-Marie Widor

Hymn in Procession

Hymnal 390 "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

Lobe den Herren

Descant: James O'Donnell

Descant



4 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a -
 1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -
 2 Praise to the Lord; o - ver all things he glo - rious - ly
 3 Praise to the Lord, who doth pros - per thy way and de -
 4 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a -

dore him! All that hath life and breath come now with
 a - tion; O my soul, praise him, for he is thy
 reign - eth: borne as on ea - gle - wings, safe - ly his
 fend thee; sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy shall
 dore him! All that hath life and breath come now with

prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men sound from his
 health and sal - va - tion: join the great throng, psal - ter - y,
 saints he sus - tain - eth. Hast thou not seen how all thou
 ev - er at - tend thee; pon - der a - new what the Al -
 prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men sound from his

The Opening Acclamation

Celebrant: Blessed be God: holy eternal Majesty, holy incarnate Word, and holy abiding Spirit.

People: And blessed be God's reign, now and for ever. Amen.

The Collect for Purity

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.

Gloria in Excelsis

Hymnal S-280 "Glory to God"

Robert J. Powell

The musical score consists of ten staves of music in G clef, common time. The lyrics are integrated into the music, with each line of text corresponding to a staff. The lyrics are as follows:

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 -
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most
High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the
glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: God be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

The First Lesson: Jeremiah 11:18-20

David Emory

It was the Lord who made it known to me, and I knew; then you showed me their evil deeds. But I was like a gentle lamb led to the slaughter. And I did not know it was against me that they devised schemes, saying, “Let us destroy the tree with its fruit, let us cut him off from the land of the living, so that his name will no longer be remembered!” But you, O Lord of hosts, who judge righteously, who try the heart and the mind, let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 54

chant: Robert Knox Kennedy

- 1 Save me, O God, by your / Name; *
in your might, defend my / cause.
- 2 Hear my prayer, O / God; *
give ear to the words of my / mouth.
- 3 For the arrogant have risen up against me,
and the ruthless have sought my / life, *
those who have no regard for / God.
- 4 Behold, God is my / helper; *
it is the Lord who sustains my / life.
- 5 Render evil to those who spy on / me; *
in your faithfulness, de-/ stroy them.
- 6 I will offer you a freewill / sacrifice *
and praise your Name, O Lord, for it is / good.
- †7 For you have rescued me from every / trouble, *
and my eye has seen the ruin of my / foes.

The Second Lesson: James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a

Lorie Anne Matthews

Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace. Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures. Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn

Hymnal 482 "Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy"

Slane

1 Lord of all hope - ful - ness, Lord of all joy,
2 Lord of all ea - ger - ness, Lord of all faith,
3 Lord of all kind - li - ness, Lord of all grace,
4 Lord of all gen - tle - ness, Lord of all calm,

whose trust, ev - er child - like, no cares could de - stroy,
whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe,
your hands swift to wel - come, your arms to em - brace,
whose voice is con - tent - ment, whose pres - ence is balm,

be there at our wak - ing, and give us, we pray,
be there at our lab - ors, and give us, we pray,
be there at our hom-ing, and give us, we pray,
be there at our sleep-ing, and give us, we pray,

your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.
your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.
your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.
your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

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The Holy Gospel: Mark 9:30-37

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus and his disciples passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again." But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him. Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve, and said to

them, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all." Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, "Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me." The Gospel of our Savior.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

A period of silence is kept.

The Rev. Horace L. Griffin

The Nicene Creed

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: was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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

Bert Compton

Just as the Spirit intercedes with deep sighs, let us turn our hearts to God and offer prayers for all peoples.

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, for Robert, our Bishop, for this holy gathering, and for the people of God in every place. God of love, God of wisdom, **hear our prayer.**

For our parish community of St. Luke's, that God will continue to guide us with wisdom and bless us with generosity and vitality in pursuit of the mission we have been given. God of love, God of wisdom, **hear our prayer.**

For all nations, peoples, tribes, clans, families, and their leaders, for Joseph, our president, Brian, our governor, for all who serve in public office, that their leadership will serve for justice and equity in the world. God of love, God of wisdom
hear our prayer.

For Keisha, our mayor, for the city of Atlanta and those who live here, and for our families, companions, and all those we love. God of love, God of wisdom
hear our prayer.

For mercy, justice, health, dignity and peace throughout the world. God of love, God of wisdom,
hear our prayer.

For good weather, for farmers and the abundant fruits of the earth, for peaceful times. God of love, God of wisdom, **hear our prayer.**

For the marriage of Mignon Crawford and Montserrat Miller, for our friends in San Pablo Parish in Camaguay, Cuba, and for the love that surrounds us on every side. God of love, God of Wisdom,
hear our prayer.

For all those in danger and need: the sick and the dying, for those who fear eviction and those experiencing homelessness, for those in poverty and those who are oppressed, for those in prison or captivity and for their families, we seek your wisdom and peace. God of love, God of wisdom, **hear our prayer.**

For all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; for those who have asked for our prayers: Stephen, James, Meg, Mary, Doug, Alice, and Hope, give them courage and hope in their troubles. God of love, God of wisdom, **hear our prayer.**

For those who rest in Christ and for all the departed, praying this day for Lauren Moss and the ones for whom the altar flowers are given: Henix Teegardin, Paul Teegardin, and Stephen Geoffrey Burns. God of love, God of wisdom, **hear our prayer.**

The Concluding Prayer

The celebrant continues

Almighty God, kindle, we pray, in every heart the true love of peace, and guide with your wisdom those who take counsel for the nations of the earth; that in tranquility your dominion may increase, until the earth is filled with the knowledge of your love; through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

The Confession

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

A period of silence is kept.

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 our savior 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 Absolution

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

The Peace

The children will return from Children's Chapel and join their families.

The Celebrant says to the people:

The Peace of Christ be always with you.

People: And also with you.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

At the Offertory

Grieve not the Holy Spirit of God

Jonathan Blalock, *tenor*

T. Tertius Noble

Grieve not the Holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption. Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all malice: And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you. —*Ephesians 4, verses 30-32*

Presentation Hymn

Hymnal 379 "God is Love, let heaven adore him"

Abbot's Leigh

1 God is Love, let heaven a - dore him; God is Love, let
 2 God is Love; and Love en - folds us, all the world in
 3 God is Love; and though with blind - ness sin af - flicts all

earth re - joice; let cre - a - tion sing be - fore him
 one em - brace: with un - fail - ing grasp God holds us,
 hu - man life, God's e - ter - nal lov - ing - kind - ness

and ex - alt him with one voice. God who laid the earth's foun-
 ev - ery child of ev - ery race. And when hu - man hearts are
 guides us through our earth - ly strife. Sin and death and hell shall

da - tion, God who spread the heaven a - bove, God who breathes through
 break - ing un - der sor - row's i - ron rod, then we find that
 nev - er o'er us fi - nal tri - umph gain; God is Love, so

all cre - a - tion: God is Love, e - ter - nal Love.
 self - same ach - ing deep with - in the heart of God.
 Love for ev - er o'er the u - ni - verse must reign.

Eucharistic Prayer A

Celebrant: God 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 our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth. For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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:

Sanctus and Benedictus

Hymnal S-125 "Holy, holy, holy Lord"

Richard Proulx

The musical notation consists of five staves of music in common time, treble clef, and G major. The lyrics are written below each staff. The first staff: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might, heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - . The second staff: san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est. The third staff: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - . The fourth staff: san - na in the high-est. Ho - san-na in the high-est. The fifth staff: (continues from the fourth staff) san - na in the high-est. Ho - san-na in the high-est.

The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious God: 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, God and creator and of all.

Jesus 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 Savior 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 Jesus 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, Almighty God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ's 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 Christ. 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 Jesus Christ our Savior. By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

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

The Lord's Prayer

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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

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Invitation

Celebrant: 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.

Communion

The communion table at St. Luke's is open to all believers, regardless of faith background.

During Communion

Hymnal 635 "If thou but trust God to guide thee"

Wer nur den lieben Gott

Unison or harmony

1 If thou but trust in God to guide thee, and hope in him through
 2 Sing, pray, and keep his ways un - swerv - ing; so do thine own part

all thy ways, he'll give thee strength what - e'er be - tide thee,
 faith - ful - ly, and trust his word, though un - de - serv - ing;

and bear thee through the e - vil days. Who trusts in God's un -
 thou yet shalt find it true for thee; God nev - er yet for -

chang - ing love builds on a rock that nought can move.
 sook in need the soul that trust - ed him in - deed.

Words: Georg Neumark (1621-1681); tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878), alt. Music: *Wer nur lieben Gott*, Georg Neumark (1621-1681)

Hymnal 659 "O Master, let me walk with thee"

de Tar

1 O Mas - ter, let me walk with thee in low - ly
 2 (Help me the slow of heart to) move by some clear,
 3 (Teach me thy pa - tience; still with) thee in clos - er,
 4 (in hope that sends a shin - ing) ray far down the

paths of ser - vice free; tell me thy sec - ret; help me
 win - ning word of love; teach me the way - ward feet to
 dear - er com - pa - ny, in work that keeps faith sweet and
 fu - ture's broad-ening way, in peace that on - ly thou canst

bear the strain of toil, the fret of
 stay, and guide them in the home - ward
 strong, in trust that tri - umphs o - ver
 give, with thee, O Mas - ter, let me

[1-3] [Final Ending]

care. 2 Help me the slow of heart to
 way. 3 Teach me thy pa - tience; still with
 wrong, 4 in hope that sends a shin - ing
 live.

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Hymnal 698 "Eternal Spirit of the living Christ"

Flelntge

1 E - ter - nal Spi - rit of the liv - ing Christ,
 2 Come, pray in me the prayer I need this day;
 3 Come with the vi - sion and the strength I need

I know not how to ask or what to say;
 help me to see your pur - pose and your will -
 to serve my God, and all hu - man - i - ty;

I on - ly know my need, as deep as life,
 where I have failed, what I have done a - miss;
 ful - fill - ment of my life in love out - poured -

and on - ly you can teach me how to pray.
 held in for - giv - ing love, let me be still.
 my life in you, O Christ, your love in me.

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The Prayer after Communion

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Eternal God, you have graciously accepted us as living members of 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 Savior. Amen.

On Sundays when communion is taken to home-bound parishioners, we send forth our Eucharistic Visitors with these words:

Commissioning of Eucharistic Visitors

Celebrant: On behalf of this congregation, I give you these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

People: We send you forth with the body and blood of Christ.

The Blessing

The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing. And the blessing of God's infinite love, Christ's limitless grace, and the Holy Spirit's relentless companionship, encompass you, and be with you always. **Amen.**

Hymn In Procession

Hymnal 492 “Sing ye faithful, sing with gladness”

Finnian

1 Sing, ye faith - ful, sing with glad - ness, wake your no - blest,
 2 Sing how he came forth from hea - ven, bowed him - self to
 3 So, he tast - ed death for mor - tals, he, of hu - man -
 4 Now on high, yet ev - er with us, from his Fa - ther's

sweet - est strain, with the prais - es of your Sa - vior
 Beth - lehem's cave, stooped to wear the ser - vant's ves - ture,
 kind the head, sin - less one, a - mong the sin - ful,
 throne the Son rules and guides the world he ran - somed,

let his house res -ound a - gain; him let all your
 bore the pain, the cross, the grave, passed with - in the
 Prince of life, a - mong the dead; thus he wrought the
 till the ap - point - ed work be done, till he see, re -

mu - sic hon - or, and your songs ex - alt his reign.
 gates of dark - ness, thence his ban - ished ones to save.
 full re - depm - tion, and the cap - tor cap - tive led.
 newed and per - fect, all things gath - ered in - to one.

The Dismissal

Deacon: Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia.

People: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia.**

Voluntary

Final, from Symphonie I

Louis Vierne