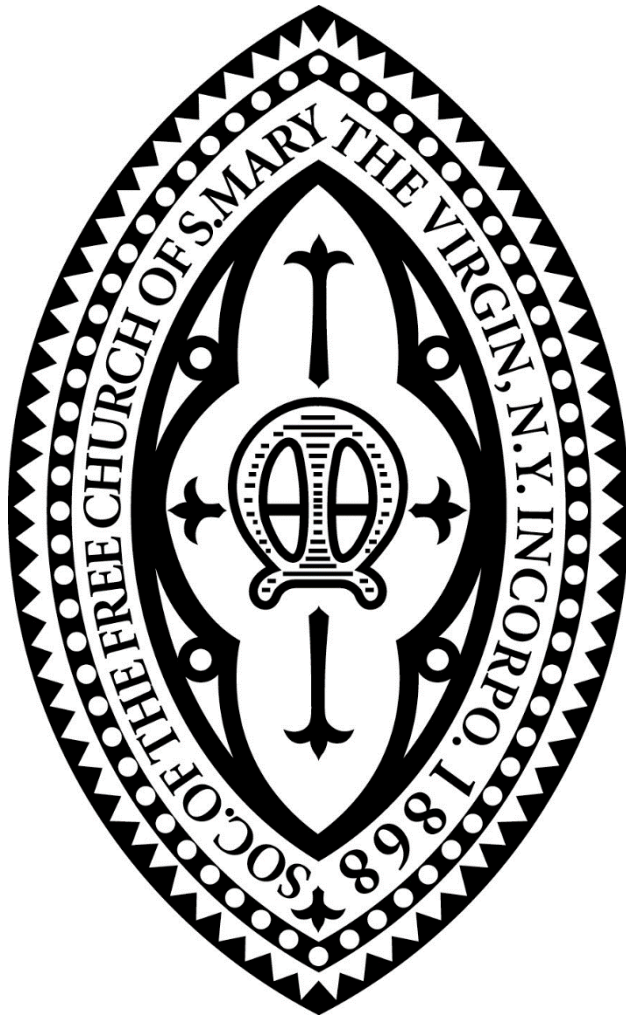


*The Sixth Sunday of Easter*

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

Sunday, May 17, 2020

**The Church of Saint Mary the Virgin  
in the City of New York**





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Evening Prayer and Benediction  
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**You are invited to join us for the daily celebration of the Holy Eucharist at 10:00 AM. Mass is live-streamed on the parish's Facebook page and then archived on the parish website for later viewing.**



**At the Preparation of the Gifts**

Since the People are unable to bring their gifts of bread, wine, water and money to the altar, let us not forget our promise to care for the poor, the sick, and the hungry, and to give to Saint Mary's in support of its mission and witness. And may all this be done to the greater glory of God.



# THE HOLY EUCHARIST

## THE WORD OF GOD

### The Opening Acclamation

*Celebrant* ✠ Alleluia. Christ is risen.



*People* The Lord is ris-en in-deed. Al-le-lu-ia.

Setting: Louis Weil (b. 1935)

### The Song of Praise

*All sing* Glory to God in the highest. *The Cantor sings the first phrase, and then all join in.*



1. Glo - ry to God in the high-est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



2. Lord God, hea-ven-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.

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### The Collect of the Day

*The Celebrant sings*

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

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

*People* Amen.

### The Lessons

*The Congregation is seated. The Lesson, 1 Peter 3:8–18, is now read. After the Lesson, the Reader says*

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

*The Congregation sings Psalm 148:7–14 to plainsong tone 5.1.*



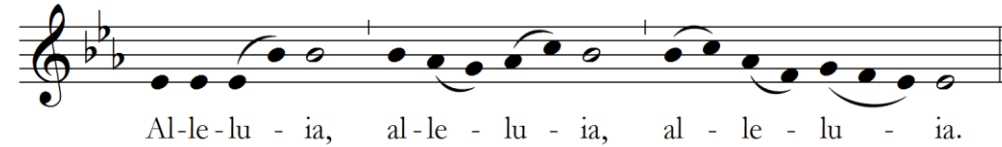
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| <i>Cantor</i> | 7  | <i>Praise the LORD</i> from the / earth, *         |
| <i>All</i>    |    | you sea-/monsters and all deeps;                   |
|               | 8  | Fire and hail, snow and / fog, *                   |
|               |    | tempestuous wind, / doing his will;                |
|               | 9  | Mountains and all / hills, *                       |
|               |    | fruit trees / and all cedars;                      |
|               | 10 | Wild beasts and all / cattle, *                    |
|               |    | creeping / things and wingèd birds;                |
|               | 11 | Kings of the earth and all / peoples, *            |
|               |    | princes and all / rulers of the world;             |
|               | 12 | Young men and / maidens, *                         |
|               |    | old and / young together.                          |
|               | 13 | Let them praise the Name of the / LORD, *          |
|               |    | for his Name only is exalted,                      |
|               |    | his splendor is over / earth and heaven.           |
|               | 14 | He has raised up strength for his people           |
|               |    | and praise for all his loyal / servants, *         |
|               |    | the children of Israel, a people who are near him. |
|               |    | / Hallelujah!                                      |

## The Gospel Acclamation

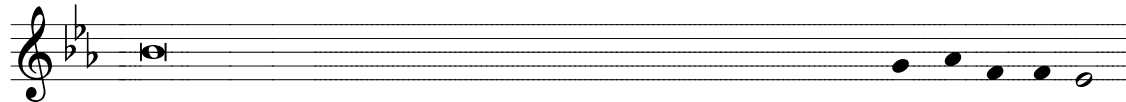
*All stand. The Cantor sings*

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

*Then, the Congregation sings*



*Cantor* I will not leave you orphans; \*



*Cantor* I am going, but I will come back to you, and your hearts will be full of joy

*Then the Cantor and the Congregation sing*



## The Holy Gospel

*A Minister proclaims the Gospel, first singing*

*People* The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

*Minister* ✠ **The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.**

*People* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

*The appointed Gospel, John 15:1–11, is now proclaimed.*

*After the Gospel, the Minister sings*

*People* The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

## The Homily

The Reverend Stephen Gerth

## The Nicene Creed

*All stand. The Celebrant leads the Creed, saying*

*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.

*Bow* 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 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**

*The Prayers of the People are according to Form IV. In the course of the silence after each bidding, the People may offer their own prayers, either silently or aloud.*

Let us pray for the Church and for the world:

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name, especially Michael our presiding Bishop, Andrew our own bishop, and all the people of God, may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

### **Silence**

Lord, in your mercy                    *Hear our prayer.*

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

### **Silence**

Lord, in your mercy                    *Hear our prayer.*

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

### **Silence**

Lord, in your mercy                    *Hear our prayer.*

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, especially [                    ]. Grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

### **Silence**

Lord, in your mercy                    *Hear our prayer.*

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, especially the sick, the dying, the poor, the hungry, the persecuted, those in prison, those without shelter or work, and all those who grieve; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

### **Silence**

Lord, in your mercy                    *Hear our prayer.*

We commend to your mercy all who have died, especially [                          ], that your will for them may be fulfilled, and we pray that we may share with the glorious and ever-blessed Virgin Mary, blessed Francis of Assisi, and all your saints, in your eternal kingdom.

**Silence**

Lord, in your mercy                          *Hear our prayer*

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

**The Peace**

*The Celebrant sings*

The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People*                          And also with you.

*The Celebrant and the members of the Congregation offer each other a sign of Christ's peace.*

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

**Hymn: Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart**

*All remain standing and sing the hymn while the altar is prepared.*



1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;  
2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;  
3 High King of hea - ven, when vic - tory is won,



all else be nought to me, save that thou art—  
I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord;  
may I reach hea - ven's joys, bright hea - ven's Sun!



thou my best thought, — by day or by night,  
thou my great Fa - ther; thine own may I be;  
Heart of my heart, — what - ev - er be - fall,

wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.  
 thou in me dwell - ing, and I one with thee.  
 still be my vis - ion, O Ru - ler of all.

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### The Great Thanksgiving

*All remain standing. The Celebrant faces the People and sings*

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.  
*People* And al - so 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.

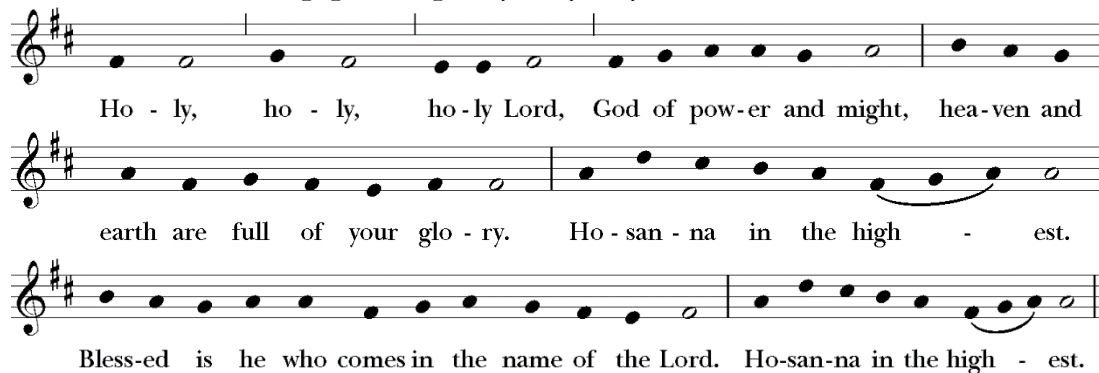
*The Celebrant proceeds*

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever.

Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance.

Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing

*The Celebrant and the Congregation sing* Holy, holy holy.



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, hea - ven and  
earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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*The People stand or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues*

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

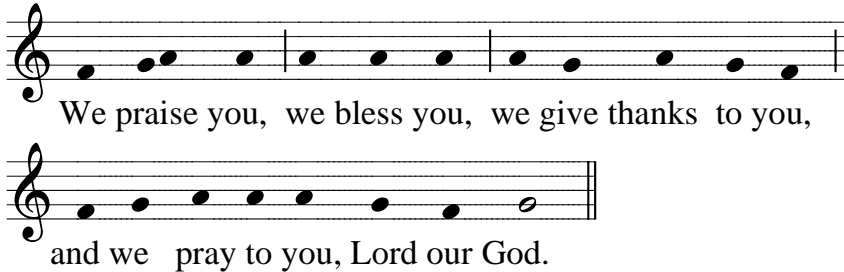
And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

*The Celebrant and the People sing*



We praise you, we bless you, we give thanks to you,  
and we pray to you, Lord our God.

*The Celebrant continues*

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace. Remember Michael our presiding bishop, Andrew our own bishop, and all who minister in your Church. Remember all your people, and those who seek your truth. Remember all who have died in the peace of Christ, and those whose faith is known to you alone; bring them into the place of eternal joy and light. And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Blessed Francis of Assisi, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, martyrs, and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever

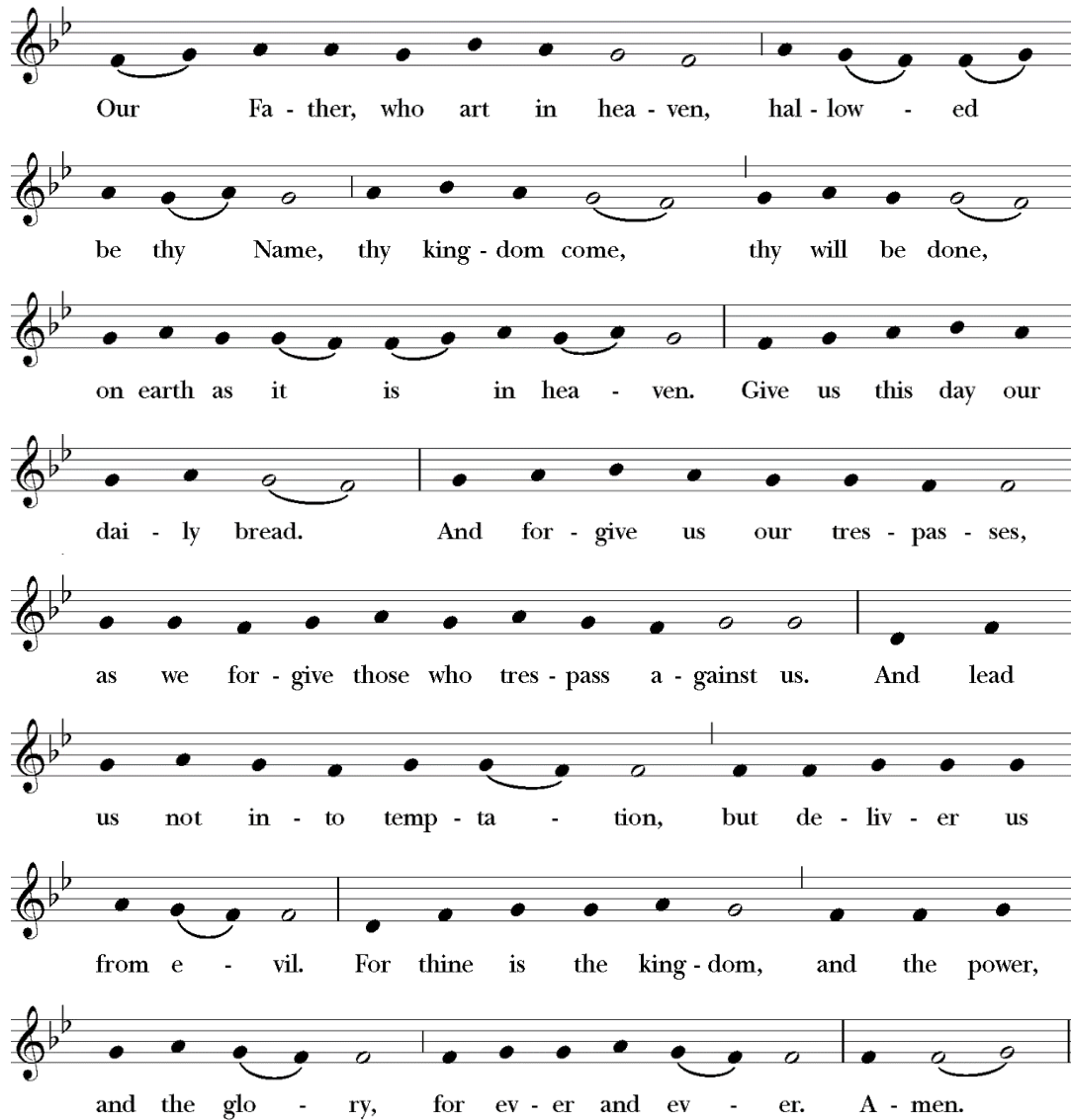


*All* **A-MEN.**

Memorial Acclamation: Ambrosian chant; adapted by Richard Proulx (1937–2010)

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

*Then all sing the Lord's Prayer.*



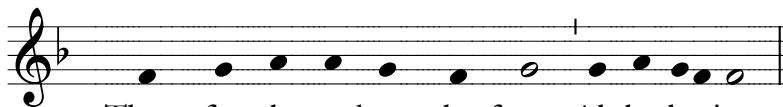
Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed  
be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our  
dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pas - ses,  
as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead  
us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us  
from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power,  
and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

Setting: Plainsong; adapt. Charles Winfred Douglas (1867–1944)

### **The Breaking of the Bread**

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread, and then a Minister sings*

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us:



*People* There-fore let us keep the feast. Al-le-lu-ia.

Setting: Ambrosian Chant adapt. Mason Martens (1933–1991)

*The Congregation sings* Lamb of God.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:  
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,  
you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

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“If a person desires to receive the Sacrament, but, by reason of extreme sickness or physical disability, is unable to eat and drink the Bread and Wine, the Celebrant is to assure that person that all the benefits of Communion are received, even though the Sacrament is not received with the mouth.”

—*The Book of Common Prayer*



## **The Postcommunion Prayer**

*The Celebrant says*

Let us pray.

*Celebrant* Almighty and everliving God,

*All* 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 for ever. Amen.

## **The Blessing**

*The Celebrant says*

The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Celebrant* The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord  
Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of  
the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will,  
working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God  
Almighty, ✠ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and  
remain with you always.

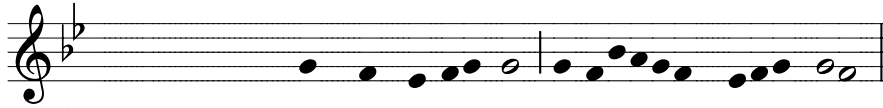
*People* Amen.



## The Dismissal

*A Minister dismisses the assembly, first singing*

People           The Lord be with you.  
                      And also with you.  
Minister         Let us go forth in the name of Christ, alleluia, alleluia.



People   Thanks be to God, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.



## Ascension Day

*Thursday, May 21, 2020*

Sung Mass 10:00 AM

*Homily by the Reverend Jay Smith*

## The Seventh Sunday of Easter

*Sunday, May 24, 2020*

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