



The Ascension of the Lord

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INTRODUCTORY RITES



ENTRANCE SONG

Hail the Day the Sees Him Rise



1. Hail the day that sees him rise
 2. There for him high tri-umph waits;
 3. High - est heav'n its Lord re - ceives;
 4. See! he lifts his hands a - bove.
 5. Lord, though part - ed from our sight
 6. There with you we shall re - main,
- Al - le - lu - ia!



1. To his throne be - yond the skies;
 2. Lift your heads, e - ter - nal gates;
 3. Yet he loves the earth he leaves;
 4. See! he shows the wounds of love.
 5. Far be - yond the star - ry height,
 6. Share the glo - ry of your reign,
- Al - le - lu - ia!



1. Christ, the Lamb for sin - ners giv'n,
 2. He has con- quered death and sin;
 3. Though re - turn - ing to his throne,
 4. Hark! his gra - cious lips be - stow,
 5. Lift our hearts that we may rise
 6. There your face un - cloud - ed view,
- Al - le - lu - ia!



1. En - ters now the high - est heav'n!
 2. Take the King of glo - ry in.
 3. Still he calls the world his own.
 4. Bless - ings on his church be - low.
 5. One with you be - yond the skies:
 6. Find our heav'n of heav'ns in you.
- Al - le - lu - ia!

GLORIA

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

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.
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.

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.

COLLECT

LITURGY *of the* WORD



FIRST READING **Acts of the Apostles 1:1-11**

In the first book, Theophilus, I dealt with all that Jesus did and taught until the day he was taken up, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. He presented himself alive to them by many proofs after he had suffered, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. While meeting with them, he enjoined them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for "the promise of the Father about which you have heard me speak; for John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit."

When they had gathered together they asked him, "Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?" He answered them, "It is not for you to know the times or seasons that the Father has established by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, throughout Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him from their sight. While they were looking intently at the sky as he was going, suddenly two men dressed in white garments stood beside them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why are you standing there looking at the sky? This Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven will return in the same way as you have seen him going into heaven."

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM **Psalm 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9**

R. God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.

All you peoples, clap your hands,
shout to God with cries of gladness,
For the LORD, the Most High, the awesome,
is the great king over all the earth. **R/.**

God mounts his throne amid shouts of joy;
the LORD, amid trumpet blasts.
Sing praise to God, sing praise;
sing praise to our king, sing praise. **R/.**

For king of all the earth is God;
sing hymns of praise.
God reigns over the nations,
God sits upon his holy throne. **R/.**

SECOND READING **Ephesians 1:17-23**

Brothers and sisters: May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, give you a Spirit of wisdom and revelation resulting in knowledge of him. May the eyes of your hearts be enlightened, that you may know what is the hope that belongs to his call, what are the riches of glory in his inheritance among the holy ones, and what is the surpassing greatness of his power for us who believe, in accord with the exercise of his great might, which he worked in Christ, raising him from the dead and seating him at his right hand in the heavens, far above every principality, authority, power, and dominion, and every name that is named not only in this age but also in the one to come. And he put all things beneath his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church, which is his body, the fullness of the one who fills all things in every way.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA **Matthew 28:19a, 20b**



Go and teach all nations, says the Lord;
I am with you always, until the end of the world.

DIALOGUE *before the GOSPEL*

PRIEST: The Lord be with you.

PEOPLE: **And with your spirit.**

PRIEST: A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

PEOPLE: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

PROCLAMATION *of the GOSPEL* **Matthew 28:16-20**

The eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had ordered them. When they saw him, they worshiped, but they doubted. Then Jesus approached and said to them, "All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age."

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

HOMILY

PRAYER *of the FAITHFUL*

RITE *of BAPTISM*

CELEBRATION *of CONFIRMATION*

LITURGY of the EUCHARIST



PREPARATION of the GIFTS

A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing



1. A hymn of glo - ry let us sing! New
 2. The ho - ly ap - os - tol - ic band Up -
 3. To whom the shin - ing an - gels cry, "Why
 4. "You see him now, as - cend - ing high Up
 5. O Lord, our home - ward path - way bend, That



songs through - out the world shall ring: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -
 on the Mount of Ol - ives stand. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -
 stand and gaze up - on the sky?" Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -
 to the por - tals of the sky." Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -
 our un - wea - ried hearts as - cend, Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -



lu - ia! Christ, by a road be - fore un - trod, As -
 lu - ia! And with his faith - ful fol - l'wers see Their
 lu - ia! "This is the Sav - ior," thus they say. "This
 lu - ia! "Here - af - ter Je - sus you shall see Re -
 lu - ia! Where, seat - ed on your Fa - ther's throne, You



cends un - to the throne of God.
 Lord as - cend in maj - es - ty.
 is his glo - rious tri - umph day." Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -
 turn - ing in great maj - es - ty."
 reign as King of kings a - lone.



lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

ORATE, FRATRES

PRIEST: Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters),
 that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable
 to God, the almighty Father.

PEOPLE: **May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands
 for the praise and glory of his name,
 for our good and the good of all his holy Church.**

PRAYER over the OFFERINGS

The Eucharistic Prayer

PREFACE DIALOGUE

PRIEST: The Lord be with you.

PEOPLE: **And with your spirit.**

PRIEST: Lift up your hearts.

PEOPLE: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

PRIEST: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

PEOPLE: **It is right and just.**

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SANCTUS

San-ctus, San-ctus, San-ctus Dó-mi-nus De-us Sá-ba-oth.
Ple-ni sunt cæ-li et ter-ra gló-ri-a tu-a. Ho-sán-na in ex-cél-sis.
Be-ne-dí-ctus qui ve-nit in nó-mi-ne Dó-mi-ni. Ho-sán-na in
ex-cél-sis.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

All:
Mor-tem tu - am an-nun-ti - á-mus, Dó - mi-ne, et tu - am
re-sur-re-cti - ó-nem con-fi - té - mur, do - nec vé - ni - as.

AMEN

Communion Rite

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE SIGN of PEACE

THE BREAKING of the BREAD

A-gnus De - i, qui tol-lis pec-cá-ta mun-di: mi-se-ré-re no - bis.
A-gnus De - i, qui tol-lis pec-cá-ta mun-di: mi-se-ré-re no - bis.
A-gnus De - i, qui tol-lis pec-cá-ta mun-di: do-na no-bis pa - cem.

INVITATION to HOLY COMMUNION

PRIEST: Behold the Lamb of God,
behold him who takes away the sins of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb.

PEOPLE: **Lord, I am not worthy
that you should enter under my roof,
but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.**

PRAYER of SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus,
I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.
Never permit me to be separated from You.
Amen

COMMUNION SONG

O Sacrament Most Holy



1. O Je - sus, we a - dore you, Who in your love di - vine,
2. O Je - sus, we a - dore you, Our vic - tim and our priest,
3. O Je - sus, we a - dore you, Our Sav - ior and our King,
4. O Je - sus, we a - dore you; Come, live in us, we pray,
5. O come, all you who la - bor In sor - row and in pain;



Con - ceal your might - y God - head In forms of bread and wine.
Whose pre - cious blood and bod - y Be - come our sa - cred feast.
And with the saints and an - gels Our hum - ble hom - age bring.
That all our thoughts and ac - tions Be yours a - lone to - day.
Come, eat this bread from heav - en; Your peace and strength re - gain.



O sac - ra - ment most ho - ly, O sac - ra - ment di - vine,



All praise and all thanks - giv - ing Be ev - 'ry mo - ment thine!

POST COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Regina Caeli



Re - gí - na cae - li, lae - tá - re, Al - le - lú - ia: Qui - a quem



me - ru - í - sti por - tá - re, Al - le - lú - ia:



Re - sur - réx - it sic - ut di - xit, Al - le - lú - ia:



O - ra pro no - bis De - um, al - le - lú - ia.

PRAYER after COMMUNION

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CONCLUDING RITES



BLESSING *and* DISMISSAL

SONG *at the* SENDING FORTH

Holy God, We Praise Thy Name



1. Ho - ly God, we praise thy name; Lord of
2. Hark! the loud ce - les - tial hymn An - gel
3. Ho - ly Fa - ther, Ho - ly Son, Ho - ly



1. all, we bow be - fore thee! All on earth thy
2. choirs a - bove are rais - ing; Cher - u - bim and
3. Spir - it, Three we name thee; While in es - sence



1. scep - ter claim, All in heav'n a - bove a - dore thee;
2. Ser - a - phim, In un - ceas - ing cho - rus prais - ing;
3. on - ly One, Un - di - vid - ed God we claim thee;



1. In - fi - nite, thy vast do - main, Ev - er -
2. Fill the heav'ns with sweet ac - cord: "Ho - ly,
3. And a - dor - ing, bend the knee, While we



1. last - ing is thy reign. In - fi - nite, thy
2. ho - ly, ho - ly Lord!" Fill the heav'ns with
3. own the mys - ter - y. And a - dor - ing,



1. vast do - main, Ev - er - last - ing is thy reign.
2. sweet ac - cord: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord!"
3. bend the knee, While we own the mys - ter - y.