

**The Blessing
Hymn**

“Praise, my soul, the King of heaven”

Hymnal 410

The Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
People: Thanks be to God.

Scripture readings are from the New Revised Standard Version.



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Mass ~ Rite II ~ Proper 23

THE ENTRANCE RITE

Introit

*If thou, O LORD, wilt be extreme to mark iniquities, LORD, who may abide it:
for unto thee belongeth mercy, O God of Israel. Out of the deep have I called unto thee,
O LORD: LORD, hear my voice. Glory be.*

[standing]

The Processional Hymn

“O for a thousand tongues to sing”

Hymnal 493

[stand as able.]

Opening Salutation

Prayer Book 355

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

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 [Music in the pews]

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

Collect of the Day

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given
to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

[seated]

The First Lesson 2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c

Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his
master, because by him the LORD had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior,
suffered from leprosy. Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from
the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. She said to her mistress, “If only my lord were
with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy.”

When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, “Am I God, to give death or life,
that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Just look and see how he is trying to
pick a quarrel with me.”

But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message
to the king, “Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a
prophet in Israel.” So Naaman came with his horses and chariots, and halted at the entrance of
Elisha's house. Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, “Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and

your flesh shall be restored and you shall be clean.” But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, “I thought that for me he would surely come out, and stand and call on the name of the LORD his God, and would wave his hand over the spot, and cure the leprosy! Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean?” He turned and went away in a rage. But his servants approached and said to him, “Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, ‘Wash, and be clean’?” So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean.

Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company; he came and stood before him and said, “Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel.”

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

The Psalm 111 Confitebor tibi



- 1 Hallelujah!
I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, *
in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.
- 2 Great are the deeds of the LORD! *
they are studied by all who delight in them.
- 3 His work is full of majesty and splendor, *
and his righteousness endures for ever.
- 4 He makes his marvelous works to be remembered; *
the LORD is gracious and full of compassion.
- 5 He gives food to those who fear him; *
he is ever mindful of his covenant.
- 6 He has shown his people the power of his works *
in giving them the lands of the nations.
- 7 The works of his hands are faithfulness and justice; *
— all his commandments are sure.

you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

At the following words the Celebrant holds or lays a hand upon the bread; and at the words concerning the cup, he holds or lays a hand upon the cup or any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord 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 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.”

Memorial Acclamation

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his 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 him. 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 your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. Amen.

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

The Lord’s Prayer [Music in the pews.] Prayer Book 364

The Breaking of the Bread

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

Fraction Anthem: Lamb of God [Music in the pews.]

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

If you have been baptized with water in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit; you are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

Communion Hymn “O Jesus, I have promised” Hymnal 655

The Postcommunion Prayer [Kneel as able.] Prayer Book 365

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son 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 Lord. Amen.

“Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!” When he saw them, he said to them, “Go and show yourselves to the priests.” And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus’ feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, “Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?” Then he said to him, “Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well.”

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

The Sermon

[seated]

Fr. Ben George-Thoms

The Nicene Creed

[Stand as able.]

Prayer Book 358

The Prayers of the People

(Form III) [kneel as able.]

Prayer Book 387

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

The Confession and Absolution

[kneel as able]

Prayer Book 360

The Peace
Celebrant: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.
People: And also with you.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Offertory

AntheM

Hymn

“O Come, Ye Servants of the Lord”

“O bless the Lord, my soul!”

Christopher Tye

Hymnal 411

The Great Thanksgiving

The Eucharistic Prayer

(Prayer A)

Prayer Book 361

Celebrant: The Lord 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 him thanks and praise.

[kneel as able.]
Celebrant
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

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: Holy, holy, holy [Music in the pews.]

[Kneel as able.]
The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fall-en 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

8 They stand fast for¹ever and¹ever, *
because they are¹done in¹truth and¹equity.

9 He sent redemption to his people;
he commanded his¹covenant for¹ever; *
holy and¹awesome¹is his¹Name.

10 The fear of the LORD is the be¹ginning of¹wisdom; *
those who act accordingly have a good understanding;
his¹praise en¹dures for¹ever.

The Epistle 2 Timothy 2:8-15

Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David— that is my gospel, for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. The saying is sure:

If we have died with him, we will also live with him;
if we endure, we will also reign with him;
if we deny him, he will also deny us;
if we are faithless, he remains faithful—
for he cannot deny himself.

Remind them of this, and warn them before God that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

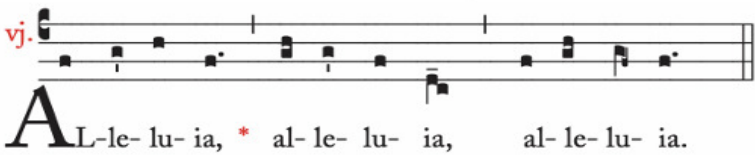
Reader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

The Sequence Hymn

“Help us, O Lord, to learn the truths”

Hymnal 628

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Verse: Ye that fear the LORD, put your trust in him:
He is their helper and defender. (Choir)

✠ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to Saint Luke 17:11-19

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying,