



ORDER OF SERVICE

Sunday, May 23, 2021

PRELUDE

WELCOME

GATHERING SONG “Did You Feel the Mountains Tremble?”

Verse 1:

Did you feel the mountains tremble?

Did you hear the oceans roar

When the people rose to sing of Jesus Christ, the risen One?

Verse 2:

Did you feel the people tremble?

Did you hear the singers roar

When the lost began to sing of

Jesus Christ, the saving One?

Bridge 1:

And we can see that, God, you're moving,

A mighty river through the nations;

And young and old will turn to Jesus.

Fling wide, you heavenly gates;

Prepare the way of the risen Lord.

Chorus:

Open up the doors, let the music play.
Let the streets resound with singing;
Songs that bring Your hope,
Songs that bring Your joy,
Dancers who dance upon injustice.

Verse 3:

Did you feel the darkness tremble
When all the saints join in one song,
And all the streams flow as one river
To wash away our brokenness.

Bridge 2:

And here we see that, God You're moving;
A time of jubilee is coming,
When young and old return to Jesus.

Fling wide, you heavenly gates;
Prepare the way of the risen Lord.

Chorus:

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Refreshed by the resurrection life we share in Christ,
let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

We thank you, risen Christ,
for these waters where you make us new,
leading us from death to life, from tears to joy.
We bless you, risen Christ, that your Spirit comes to us

in the grace-filled waters of rebirth,
like rains to our thirsting earth,
like streams that revive our souls,
like cups of cool water shared with strangers.
Breathe your peace on your church when we hide in fear.
Clothe us with your mercy and forgiveness.
Send us companions on our journey as we share your life.
Make us one, risen Christ.
Cleanse our hearts.
Shower us with life.
To you be given all praise,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God,
now and forever. **Amen.**

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Mighty God, you breathe life into our bones, and your Spirit brings truth to the world. Send us this Spirit, transform us by your truth, and give us language to proclaim your gospel, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

Acts 2:1-21

Filled with the Spirit to tell God's deeds

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

PSALM

Psalms 104:24-34, 35b

Send forth your Spirit and renew the face of the earth. (Ps. 104:30)

How manifold are your works, O Lord!

In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

**Yonder is the sea, great and wide, with its swarms too many to number,
living things both small and great.**

There go the ships to and fro,
and Leviathan, which you made for the sport of it.

**All of them look to you
to give them their food in due season.**

You give it to them; they gather it;
you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.

**When you hide your face, they are terrified;
when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.**

You send forth your Spirit, and they are created;
and so you renew the face of the earth.

**May the glory of the Lord endure forever;
O Lord, rejoice in all your works.**

You look at the earth and it trembles;
you touch the mountains and they smoke.

**I will sing to the Lord as long as I live;
I will praise my God while I have my being.**

May these words of mine please God.

I will rejoice in the Lord.

Bless the Lord, O my soul.

Hallelujah!

SECOND READING

Romans 8:22-27

Praying with the Spirit

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

THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

Christ sends the Spirit of truth

The Holy Gospel according to John, the 15th chapter: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

The Gospel of the Lord: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

MESSAGE

SONG OF THE DAY “The Potter’s Hand”

Verse:

Beautiful Lord, wonderful Savior,
I know for sure all of my days are held in Your hand,
Crafted into Your perfect plan.

You gently call me into Your presence,
Guiding me by Your Holy Spirit;
Teach me, dear Lord, to live all my life through Your eyes.

I'm captured by Your holy calling.
Set me apart; I know You're drawing me to Yourself.
Lead me, Lord, I pray.

Chorus:

Take me, mold me, use me, fill me;
I give my life to the Potter's hand.
Call me, guide me, lead me, walk beside me;
I give my life to the Potter's hand.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

God of love,
you call us beloved children and welcome us to your table.
Receive our lives and the gifts we offer.
Abide with us and send us in service to a suffering world;
for the sake of your beloved Child, Jesus Christ.
Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Hear us, O God: **Your mercy is great.**

SHARING THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

(All gathered are invited to share a sign of peace, maybe a wave or a peace sign, a hello from afar.)

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The risen Christ invites us to this table.

Come, eat and be satisfied.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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,

forever and ever. Amen.

COMMUNION

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Wellspring of joy,

through this meal you have put gladness in our hearts.

Satisfy the hunger still around us,

and send us as joyful witnesses,
that your love may bring joy to the hearts of all people,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

BLESSING

May our glorious God grant you a spirit of wisdom
to know and to love the risen Lord Jesus.

The God of life,
Father, ✝ Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you now and forever.

Amen.

DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Go in peace. Share the good news. Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

SENDING SONG “I Will Celebrate”

I will celebrate, sing unto the Lord;
Sing to the Lord a new song.
I will celebrate, sing unto the Lord;
Sing to the Lord a new song.

With my heart rejoicing within,
With my mind focused on Him;
With my hands raised to the heavens,
All I am, worshipping Him.



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