



*Fourth Sunday
in
Ordinary Time*

FEBRUARY 1, 2026

Welcome

We are grateful for your presence and invite you to participate fully in the liturgy. If you are a guest or visitor, we thank you for joining us today and hope you will return often.

If you would like to become a member of our parish, please stop by the **Welcome and Registration Table** in the Gathering Space.

We warmly welcome the presence of children at Mass. If your little one needs extra attention during Mass, please feel free to step into the Gathering Space until they are ready to return to the assembly.

A **nursery** for children walking age to pre-school is available during the 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. liturgies. It is located in Room 106 of the school, free of charge.

Seeds, Sunday morning prayer with 3, 4, and 5 year-olds, is celebrated during the 9 a.m. liturgy.

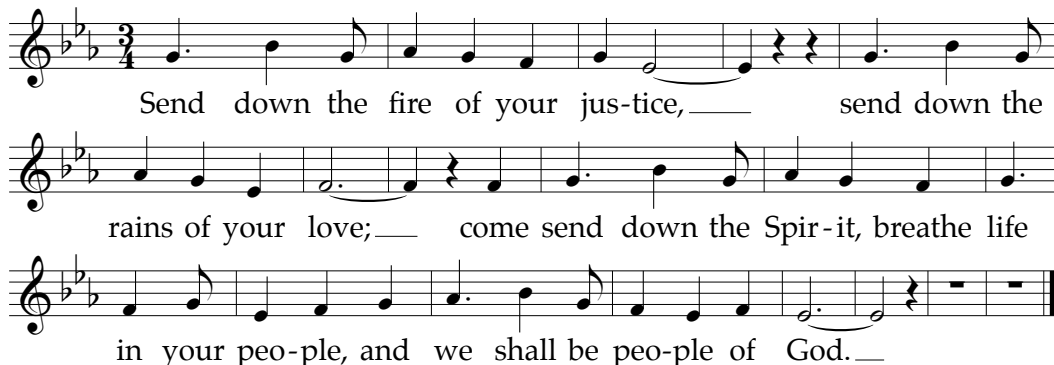
No-gluten reception of Communion, the Blood of Christ, is available for those receiving from the cup minister closest to the musicians first. Then all others may drink from that cup.

Low-gluten hosts are available upon request from any bread minister. Low-gluten hosts are consecrated in a separate pyx.

OPENING SONG Send Down the Fire

Marty Haugen

Refrain



Send down the fire of your jus-tice, — send down the
rains of your love; — come send down the Spir-it, breathe life
in your peo-ple, and we shall be peo-ple of God. —

Verses



Choir—1. Call us to be your com - pas - sion, —
Choir—2. Call us to learn of your mer - cy, —
Choir—3. Call us to an - swer op - pres - sion, —
All—4. Call us to wit - ness your King - dom, —

1. teach us the song of your love; — give us
2. teach us the way of your peace; — give us
3. teach us the fire of your truth; — give us
4. give us the pres - ence of Christ; — may your

1. hearts that sing, give us deeds that ring, make us
2. hearts that feel, give us hands that heal, make us
3. right - eous souls, 'til your jus - tice rolls, make us
4. ho - ly light keep us shin - ing bright, ev - er

1. ring with the song of your love. —
2. walk in the way of your peace. —
3. burn with the fire of your truth. —
4. shine with the pres - ence of Christ. —

PENITENTIAL ACT

Repeat the responses **Lord, have mercy** and **Christ, have mercy** after the presider.

GLORY TO GOD *from Mass of Holy Longing*

Dan Kantor and Rob Glover

The musical score is written for a single voice part on a treble clef staff with a key signature of one flat (Bb) and a 4/4 time signature. It begins with a two-measure rest marked with a '2'. The melody is composed of eighth and quarter notes, with some phrases spanning across bar lines. The lyrics are printed below the staff, aligned with the notes. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and on
earth peace to peo - ple of good will We praise you, we
bless you, we a - dore you, we glo - ri - fy you, we
give you thanks for your great glo - ry, Lord God,
heav - en - ly King, O God, al - migh - ty Fa - ther.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God,
Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mer - cy
on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mer - cy on

us. For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a - lone

are the Lord. You a-lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ,

with the Ho - ly Spir - it, in the Glo - ry of God the

Fa-ther. A - men, a - - - men.

OPENING PRAYER

LITURGY OF THE WORD

READING I

Response at the conclusion of the reading:

LECTOR: The Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 146 Blessed Are the Poor in Spirit

Rob Glover

Bless-ed are the poor in spir-it; the king-dom of heav-en is theirs.

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verse 1 It is the Lord who preserves fidelity forever, who does justice to those who are oppressed. It is the Lord who gives bread to the hungry, the Lord who set prisoners free.

verse 2 It is the Lord who opens the eyes of the blind, the Lord who raises up those who are bowed down. It is the Lord who loves the just, the Lord who protects the stranger.

verse 3 The Lord upholds the orphan and the widow, but thwarts the path of the wicked. The Lord will reign forever, the God of Sion from age to age.

READING II

Response at the conclusion of the reading:

LECTOR: The Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Alleluia *from Mass of Holy Longing*



GOSPEL PROCLAMATION

Response at the conclusion of the gospel:

PRESIDER: The Gospel of the Lord.

PEOPLE: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The Alleluia is repeated after the response.

HOMILY

PROFESSION OF FAITH – THE NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, [*all bow*]
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and became man. [*all rise*]

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day 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.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

Response to each intercession:

LECTOR: We pray:

PEOPLE: Lord, hear our prayer.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light HOUSTON

Text: Kathleen Thomerson



1. I want to walk as a child of the light.
2. I want to see — the bright-ness of God.
3. I'm look - ing for — the com - ing of Christ.



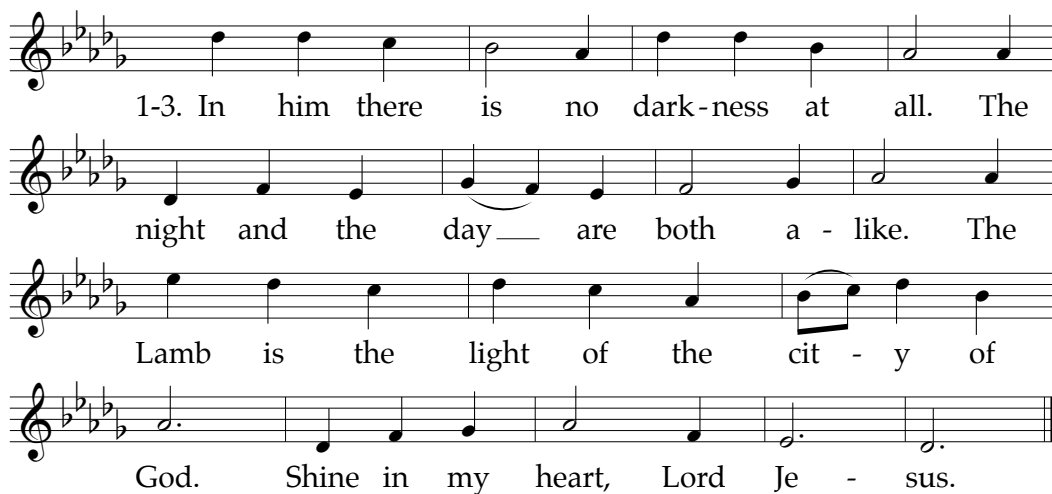
1. I want to fol - low Je - sus.
2. I want to look at Je - sus.
3. I want to be with Je - sus.



1. God set the stars to give light to the world.
2. Clear sun of right-eous - ness shine on my path,
3. When we have run — with pa - tience the race,



1. The star of my life — is Je - sus.
2. and show me the way to the Fa - ther.
3. we shall know the joy — of Je - sus.



PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

PRESIDER: Pray, 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.**

PREFACE DIALOGUE

PRESIDER: The Lord be with you.

PEOPLE: **And with your spirit.**

PRESIDER: Lift up your hearts.

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

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

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

Holy, Holy, Holy

Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho-ly — Lord God of hosts. — Heav-en 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. — Ho-san-na in the high - est.

*All **bow** reverently with the presider as he bows or genuflects.*

Memorial Acclamation

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we pro -
claim your Death, O Lord, un - til you come a - gain.

Amen



COMMUNION RITE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

SIGN OF PEACE

PRESIDER: Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles:
Peace I leave you, my peace I give you;
look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church,
and graciously grant her peace and unity
in accordance with your will.
Who live and reign for ever and ever.

PEOPLE: Amen.

PRESIDER: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

PEOPLE: And with your spirit.

PRESIDER: Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

LAMB OF GOD



INVITATION TO COMMUNION

PRESIDER: Behold the Lamb of God,
behold him who takes away the sins of the world.
Blessed are those 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.**

TABLE SONG: Rejoice, Be Glad
Text: Adam Tice

Kate Williams

Re - jice, be glad, for heav-en is com-ing. Re - jice,
be glad, for heav-en is com-ing. Re - jice, be
glad, for heav-en is com-ing to you.

The musical score is written on three staves in treble clef, with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 4/4 time signature. The melody is simple and repetitive, using mostly quarter and half notes. The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across notes. The score ends with a final measure containing a whole note and a fermata, with a '7' written above it, likely indicating a seven-measure rest or a final cadence.

CONCLUDING RITE

FINAL BLESSING

PRESIDER: We have been nourished by the body and blood of Christ
and we have heard the word proclaimed,
the Lord is truly with you!

PEOPLE: And with your spirit.

PRESIDER: May almighty God bless you,
the Father, and the Son, + and the Holy Spirit.

PEOPLE: Amen.

DISMISSAL

PRESIDER: The Mass is ended, go in peace.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

SENDING FORTH Halle, Halle, Halle

John Bell

Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah!

Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - ia!

Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah!

Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! _____

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