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PRELUDE *Now to the Holy Spirit Let Us Pray*

setting, Buxtehude

## Prayer Before Holy Mass (please rise)

*My dear God and loving Father, as I participate in this Holy Mass, may Jesus fill me with His holy grace when I open my heart to Him in sincere prayer. May the sacraments I will receive, the prayers that I will say and the hymns that I will sing bring me closer to Jesus and help me to be more like Him in all that I say and do. May the Holy Communion that I will receive give me strength, so that I may share faith, hope and love with the people I will meet. Amen.*

## OPENING HYMN 1 *Hymn of Faith* (1, 4)

To Thee we come, O Lord our God, before Thine altar, Father;  
Thou knowest best our yearning hearts; this supplication answer:  
Lift up from want Thy people, Lord. Bless us, O God: O Father, bless our toil!

Under Thy cross we stand prepared to serve Thee with devotion,  
Be it with sweat of blood, or tears, or humble resignation,  
For we Thy people are, O Lord. Save us, O God: O Father, bless our toil!

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## INTROIT

Isaiah 1:4; 2 Chronicles 15:2b

C: Ah! sinful nation, people laden with wickedness, evil race, corrupt children! They have forsaken the Lord, spurned the Holy One of Israel, apostatized. **R: The Lord is with you when you are with Him, and if you seek Him, He will be present to you; but if you abandon Him, He will abandon you.** C: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. **R: As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

## KYRIE

Alstott

## GLORIA

Englert

## OPENING PRAYER

Almighty God, You bless those who seek You and punish those who forsake You. Grant us the grace never to reject Your Son, for in Him alone do we find our salvation. We ask this through the same Jesus Christ, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **R. Amen.**

## ~ LITURGY OF THE WORD ~

## FIRST LESSON

Ezekiel 2:2-5

As the Lord spoke to me, the spirit entered into me and set me on my feet, and I heard the one who was speaking say to me: Son of man, I am sending you to the Israelites, rebels who have rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have revolted against me to this very day. Hard of face and obstinate of heart are they to whom I am sending you. But you shall say to them: Thus says the Lord God! And whether they heed or resist – for they are a rebellious house – they shall know that a prophet has been among them.

*This is the Word of the Lord.* **R. Thanks be to God.**

## GRADUAL - *Traditional Mass*

Jeremiah 5:23; 2 Kings 17:14

C: But this people's heart is stubborn and rebellious; they turn and go away. **R: They did not listen, but were stiff-necked as their fathers, who had not believed in the Lord, their God.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM - *Contemporary Mass*

Psalm 123:1-2, 2, 3-4



**R. Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for his mercy.**

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**R. (2cd) Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for his mercy.**

To you I lift up my eyes  
who are enthroned in heaven —  
As the eyes of servants  
are on the hands of their masters.

**R. Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for his mercy.**

As the eyes of a maid  
are on the hands of her mistress,  
So are our eyes on the LORD, our God,  
till he have pity on us.

**R. Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for his mercy.**

Have pity on us, O LORD, have pity on us,  
for we are more than sated with contempt;  
our souls are more than sated  
with the mockery of the arrogant,  
with the contempt of the proud.

**R. Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for his mercy.**

## SECOND LESSON

2 Corinthians 12:7-10

Brothers and sisters: That I, Paul, might not become too elated, because of the abundance of the revelations, a thorn in the flesh was given to me, an angel of Satan, to beat me, to keep me from being too elated. Three times I begged the Lord about this, that it might leave me, but he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.” I will rather boast most gladly of my weaknesses, in order that the power of Christ may dwell with me.

Therefore, I am content with weakness, insults, hardships, persecutions, and constraints, for the sake of Christ; for when I am weak, then I am strong.

*This is the Word of the Lord.* **R. Thanks be to God.**

## ALLELUIA

1 Samuel 10:19a

traditional Ukrainian chant, arr. Elfman)

Choir, then all: Al - le-lu - ia, Al - le-lu - ia, Al - le-lu - ia.

C: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. **R: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.** C: But today you have rejected your God, Who delivers you from all your evils and calamities. **R: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

## GOSPEL

Mark 6:1-6

Jesus departed from there and came to his native place, accompanied by his disciples. When the Sabbath came he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astonished. They said, “Where did this man get all this? What kind of wisdom has been given him? What mighty deeds are wrought by his hands! Is he not the carpenter, the son of Mary, and the brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon? And are not his sisters here with us?”

And they took offense at him. Jesus said to them, “A prophet is not without honor except in his native place and among his own kin and in his own house.” So he was not able to perform any mighty deed there, apart from curing a few sick people by laying his hands on them. He was amazed at their lack of faith.

*This is the gospel of the Lord.* **R. Praise be to You, Lord Jesus Christ.**

HYMN TO THE HOLY SPIRIT *Spirit Divine! Attend Our Prayer*

Text: Andrew Reed (1829)

Tune: Rebecca Elfman



1. Spir - it Di - vine! At - tend\_ our prayer, and make our
2. Come as the light: to wait - ing minds that long\_ Thy
3. Come as the fire: en - kin - dle now the sac - ri -
4. Come as the wind: sweep clean. a - way what dead\_ with -



hearts Thy home; de - scend\_ with all Thy gra - cious  
 truth to know; re - veal\_ the nar - row path\_ of  
 fi - cial flame, till our\_ whole souls an off - 'ring  
 in us lies, and search. and fresh - en all\_ our



pow'r; come, Ho - ly Spir - it, come! \_\_\_\_\_  
 right; the way\_ of du - ty show. \_\_\_\_\_  
 be, in love's\_ re - deem - ing name. \_\_\_\_\_  
 souls with liv - ing en - er - gies. \_\_\_\_\_

HOMILY

PROFESSION OF FAITH

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL - *Contemporary Mass*

**R: Lord hear our prayer.**

~ LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST ~

OFFERTORY VERSE

Hebrews 10:29

Do you not think that a much worse punishment is due the one who has contempt for the Son of God, considers unclean the covenant by which He was consecrated, and insults the Spirit of Grace?

OFFERTORY HYMN 180 *Come Unto Jesus*

Come unto Jesus, Come while you may;  
 Hear how He calls you, Come, now this day.  
 How He does love you! follow His way.  
 Gently He calls you: Come!

*(Refrain)* Lo, the vision wondrous to behold!

He would save us from this sinful world.  
 To heaven's blessed glory untold,  
 O dearest Lord, we come!

Come, O my child, now, Come, heed His call,  
 Give Him your heart, your love, and your all,  
 He shall uplift you, lest you should fall.  
 Gently He calls you: Come! *(Refrain)*

Come, fallen sinner, come while you may!  
 Christ will accept you! Do not delay!  
 Tears of repentance He wipes away.  
 Trust in Him only! Come! *(Refrain)*

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Lord our God, be pleased with the gifts we bring to Your altar, and make them the sacrament of our salvation. We ask this in the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ, Your Son, Who lies and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. **R. Amen.**

PREFACE

SANCTUS

Proulx

~ CANON ~

THE LORDS PRAYER

AGNUS DEI

Elfman

POST-COMMUNION SOLO *For By Grace You Have Been Saved*

Kari Tikka

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For by grace you have been saved, and even faith is not your own;  
It's the gift of God for you, and not the works that you have done.  
Don't let anybody boast, for this is God's great gift. Amen.  
"For My grace is all-sufficient for each child who is My own,  
For My strength is now made perfect for each child who is My own."  
When you're weak, then you are strong, for this is God's great gift. Amen.  
So this weakness with contentment I'll accept now in myself,  
All my hardships, pains, and griefs that still lie deep within myself.  
When I'm weak, then I am strong, for this is God's great gift. Amen, Amen.

Rebecca Elfman, soprano

COMMUNION VERSE

Luke 10:16b

And whoever rejects Me rejects the One Who sent Me.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Lord Jesus Christ, help us who have shared Your Body and Blood, to know You through the work You do in our midst. For You live with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **R. Amen.**

FINAL BLESSING (please kneel)

DISMISSAL

C: Let us bless the Lord! **R: Thanks be to God.**

**Prayer After Holy Mass (please remain kneeling)**

*I am grateful to You, Lord, that I was able to come to church and participate in the Holy Sacrifice of Mass. I thank You for receiving Your gracious pardon, Your instruction and teaching through Your Word, and Your Body and Blood in Holy Communion. May Your sacraments continue to strengthen and help me to be faithful to You and Your Church. Help me to face all the challenges of life on my journey to Your heavenly kingdom. Amen.*

CLOSING HYMN *God of Our Fathers*

NATIONAL HYMN

God of our fathers, Whose almighty hand  
Leads forth in beauty all the starry band  
Of shining worlds in splendor through the skies,  
Our grateful songs before Thy throne arise.

Thy love divine hath led us in the past,  
In this free land by Thee our lot is cast;  
Be Thou our ruler, guardian, guide, and stay,  
Thy word our law, Thy paths our chosen way.

Refresh Thy people on their toilsome way;  
Lead us from night to never-ending day;  
Fill all our lives with love and grace divine,  
And glory, laud, and praise be ever Thine.

POSTLUDE *God of Our Fathers*

setting, David Schak