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PRELUDE CHORALE PRELUDE: *Salvation Unto Us Has Come* Johann Gottfried Walther

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.

VIDI AQUAM (*I saw water*) Page 12 in the tan pew book

OPENING HYMN 128 *Jesus Christ Our Lord Has Risen* (1-3)

Jesus Christ our Lord has risen, Alleluia, Alleluia,
To mankind great joy he's given, Alleluia, Alleluia,
By His rising on the third day, Alleluia, Alleluia,
For us poor and humble people, Alleluia, Alleluia.

When the women to the grave went, Alleluia, Alleluia,
They brought with them richest ointment, Alleluia, Alleluia,
When they saw an angel in white, Alleluia, Alleluia,
They were stricken with a great fright, Alleluia, Alleluia.

“Do not be afraid, O women, Alleluia, Alleluia.
Go to Galilee and tell them, Alleluia, Alleluia.
Tell His friends and His disciples, Alleluia, Alleluia,
That the King of Kings is risen, Alleluia, Alleluia!”

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INTROIT

Psalm 40:2-4

C: I waited, waited for the Lord; Who bent down and heard my cry, drew me out of the pit of destruction, out of the mud of the swamp, set my feet upon rock, steadied my steps. Alleluia!
R: And put a new song in my mouth, a hymn to our God. Many shall look on in awe and they shall trust in the Lord. Alleluia! 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.**

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OPENING PRAYER

Heavenly Father, You redeemed us through the death and Resurrection of Jesus Christ. Grant that we may benefit from the graces merited by our Savior. We ask this through the same Jesus Christ, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.
R. Amen.

~ LITURGY OF THE WORD ~

FIRST LESSON

Acts 2:42-47

They devoted themselves to the teaching of the apostles and to the communal life, to the breaking of bread and to the prayers. Awe came upon everyone, and many wonders and signs were done through the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their property and possessions and divide them among all according to each one's need. Every day they devoted themselves to meeting together in the temple area and to breaking bread in their homes. They ate their meals with exultation and sincerity of heart, praising God and enjoying favor with all the people. And every day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

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

GRADUAL - *Traditional Mass*

Psalm 116:15-16

C: Too costly in the eyes of the Lord is the death of His faithful. Alleluia! **R: Lord, I am Your servant, the child of Your maidservant; You have loosed my bonds. Alleluia!**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM - *Contemporary Mass*

Psalm 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24

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R. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is ev-er-last - ing.

R. (1) Give thanks to the LORD for he is good, his love is everlasting.

Let the house of Israel say,
“His mercy endures forever.”
Let the house of Aaron say,
“His mercy endures forever.”
Let those who fear the LORD say,
“His mercy endures forever.”

R. Give thanks to the LORD for he is good, his love is everlasting.

I was hard pressed and was falling,
but the LORD helped me.
My strength and my courage is the LORD,
and he has been my savior.
The joyful shout of victory
in the tents of the just:

R. Give thanks to the LORD for he is good, his love is everlasting.

The stone which the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone.
By the LORD has this been done;
it is wonderful in our eyes.
This is the day the LORD has made;
let us be glad and rejoice in it.

R. Give thanks to the LORD for he is good, his love is everlasting.

SECOND LESSON

1 Peter 1:3-9

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who in his great mercy gave us a new birth to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you who by the power of God are safeguarded through faith, to a salvation that is ready to be revealed in the final time. In this you rejoice, although now for a little while you may have to suffer through various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith, more precious than gold that is perishable even though tested by fire, may prove to be for praise, glory, and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ. Although you have not seen him you love him; even though you do not see him now yet believe in him, you rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, as you attain the goal of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

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

ALLELUIA

Psalm 30:2,4

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: I praise You, Lord, for You raised me up and did not let my enemies rejoice over me. Lord, You brought me up from Sheol; You kept me from going down to the pit. **R: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

GOSPEL

John 20:19-31

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the doors were locked, where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, “Peace be with you.” When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. The disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained.”

Thomas, called Didymus, one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples said to him, “we have seen the Lord.” But he said to them, “Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger into the nail marks and put my hand into his side, I will not believe.”

Now a week later his disciples were again inside and Thomas was with them. Jesus came, although the doors were locked, and stood in their midst and said, “Peace be with you.” Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe.”

Thomas answered and said to him, “My Lord and my God!” Jesus said to him, “Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed.”

Now, Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples that are not written in this book. But these are written that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that through this belief you may have life in his name.

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

HYMN TO THE HOLY SPIRIT 143 *Holy Spirit, Dwell Within Us* (1, 4)

Holy Spirit, dwell within us, Great Creator, come and teach us.
Send Your grace and consolation, fill the hearts of Your creation.

God, to You, Almighty Father, and Your Son, our risen Savior,
One with Your own Spirit Holy, evermore be praise and glory.

HOMILY

PROFESSION OF FAITH

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL - *Contemporary Mass*

R: Lord hear our prayer.

~ LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST ~

OFFERTORY VERSE

Psalm 12b-13

O God, I will present my thank offerings to You. For You have delivered me from death and my feet from stumbling, that I may walk before God in the light of life. Alleluia!

OFFERTORY HYMN 135 *Christ the Lord Is Ris'n Today* (1-3 as needed)

Christ the Lord is ris'n today, Alleluia!
Sons of men and angels say, Alleluia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!
Sing, ye heav'ns, and earth reply: Alleluia!

Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia!
Where, O death is now thy sting? Alleluia!
Once He died, our souls to save, Alleluia!
Where's thy victory, O grave? Alleluia!

Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia!
Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia!
Death in vain forbids Him rise, Alleluia!
Christ has opened Paradise, Alleluia!

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Lord, our God, accept the offerings of Your rejoicing Church which You have enlivened this day; and grant us the gift of perpetual gladness, for You have given us cause for great joy. We ask this in the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. **R. Amen.**

PREFACE

SANCTUS

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~ CANON ~

THE LORDS PRAYER

AGNUS DEI

Alstott

POST-COMMUNION HYMN *Alleluia! Sing to Jesus* (1, 3, 4 as needed)

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus; His the scepter, His the throne;
Alleluia! His the triumph, His the victory alone.
Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion thunder like a mighty flood:
“Jesus out of ev’ry nation has redeemed us by His blood.”

Alleluia! Bread of heaven, here on earth our food, our stay;
Alleluia! Here the sinful flee to You from day to day.
Intercessor, Friend of sinners, earth’s Redeemer, hear our plea
Where the songs of all the sinless sweep across the crystal sea.

Alleluia! King Eternal, Lord omnipotent we own:
Alleluia! Born of Mary, earth Your footstool, heav’n Your throne.
As within the veil You entered, robed in flesh, our great High Priest,
Here on earth both Priest and Victim in the eucharistic feast.

COMMUNION VERSE

Ezekiel 37:13

Then you shall know that I am the lord, when I open your graves and have you rise from them, O My people! Alleluia!

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Lord Jesus Christ, to You belong the keys of life and death by the will of the Father. Preserve us through these Holy Mysteries that our redemption may be assured and our doubts relieved. For You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. **R. Amen.**

FINAL BLESSING (please kneel)

DISMISSAL

C: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord! Alleluia! **R: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

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 136 *That Easter Day* (1, 2, 4)

That Easter Day with joy was bright,
The sun shone out with fairer light,
When to their longing eyes restored
Th’apostles saw their risen Lord.

His risen flesh with radiance glowed;
His wounded hands and feet He showed;
Those scars their solemn witness gave
That Christ was risen from the grave.

O Lord of all, with us abide
In this our joyful Eastertide;
From every weapon death can wield,
Thine own redeemed forever shield.

POSTLUDE *Sortie – Carillon*

Noel Rawsthorne

Our organist for today is Bernie Gardzalla