



The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two  
The Word of God

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit

People: **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Collect of Purity

*Pray together.*

**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.**

Song of Praise

Celebrant: Holy God,  
Holy and Mighty,  
Holy Immortal One,

People: **Have mercy upon us.**

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O God, we thank you for the glorious company of the apostles, and especially on this day for Simon and Jude; and we pray that, as they were faithful and zealous in their mission, so we may with ardent devotion make known the love and mercy of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## The Lessons

### Deuteronomy 32:1-4

Moses recited the words of this song:

Give ear, O heavens, and I will speak;  
let the earth hear the words of my mouth.

May my teaching drop like the rain,  
my speech condense like the dew;

like gentle rain on grass,  
like showers on new growth.

For I will proclaim the name of the Lord;  
ascribe greatness to our God!

The Rock, his work is perfect,  
and all his ways are just.

A faithful God, without deceit,  
just and upright is he.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 119:89-96

*Responsively by half verse.*

- 89 O Lord, your word is everlasting; \*  
it stands firm in the heavens.
- 90 Your faithfulness remains from one generation to another; \*  
you established the earth, and it abides.
- 91 By your decree these continue to this day, \*  
for all things are your servants.
- 92 If my delight had not been in your law, \*  
I should have perished in my affliction.
- 93 I will never forget your commandments, \*  
because by them you give me life.
- 94 I am yours; oh, that you would save me! \*  
for I study your commandments.
- 95 Though the wicked lie in wait for me to destroy me, \*  
I will apply my mind to your decrees.
- 96 I see that all things come to an end, \*  
but your commandment has no bounds.

## The Epistle: Ephesians 2:13-22

Now in Christ Jesus you Gentiles, who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those

who were near; for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

### The Gospel: John 15:17-27

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said to his disciples, "I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

"If the world hates you, be aware that it hated me before it hated you. If you belonged to the world, the world would love you as its own. Because you do not belong to the world, but I have chosen you out of the world-- therefore the world hates you. Remember the word that I said to you, 'Servants are not greater than their master.' If they persecuted me, they will persecute you; if they kept my word, they will keep yours also. But they will do all these things to you on account of my name, because they do not know him who sent me. If I had not come and spoken to them, they would not have sin; but now they have no excuse for their sin. Whoever hates me hates my Father also. If I had not done among them the works that no one else did, they would not have sin. But now they have seen and hated both me and my Father. It was to fulfill the word that is written in their law, 'They hated me without a cause.'

"When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning."

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

## Homily

### The Prayers of the People

*A Litany of Healing from The Reverend Adam Thomas*

Leader: Together we lift our prayers to you, O God of love and healing.  
God the Father, you breathe life into your whole Creation.

People: **Help us breathe deeply of your peace and presence.**

Leader: God the Son, you give us yourself to make our joy complete.

People: **Help us give our fear, pain, and grief to you.**

Leader: God the Holy Spirit, you move through our lives in unexpected ways.

People: **Help us move in concert with your life-giving motion.**

Leader: Holy Trinity, One God, accept our thanks and praise for all the blessings of this life, especially for those blessings that our present circumstances make difficult to see.

People: **O Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader: Shed the light of your healing love on all who are sick in body, mind, or spirit, that they may find new wholeness illumined by your grace.

People: **O Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader: Knit together in your love all whose relationships have frayed, that they may find reconciliation and new beginnings.

People: **O Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader: Bless all who work to improve the health of others, that they may bring hope, care, wisdom, and skill to all they serve.

People: **O Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader: Hold in the palm of your hand all who are near death and all who care for them, that they may know the peace that passes all understanding.

People: **O Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader: Grant all who turn to you the courage to participate with you in restoring this broken world to wholeness, that everyone and everything may share in the hope of your kingdom.

People: **O Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader: At this time, I invite your prayers of thanksgiving or intercession either silently or aloud. *Silence.* For these and for all other petitions that are too deep for words, we pray to you:

People: **O Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader: You are the Lord whose promises never cease.

People: **You are the Lord whose presence never fails.**

Celebrant: Gracious God, you are close to us no matter how far we feel from you: draw us into the very heart of your grace and help us to live into the truth that nothing in all creation can separate us from your love in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## Confession of Sin

Deacon: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

People: **Most merciful God,**  
**we confess that we have sinned against you**  
**in thought, word, and deed,**  
**by what we have done,**  
**and by what we have left undone.**  
**We have not loved you with our whole heart;**  
**we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**  
**We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.**  
**For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,**  
**have mercy on us and forgive us;**  
**that we may delight in your will,**  
**and walk in your ways,**  
**to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

## Absolution

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

## The Peace

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

People: **And also with you.**

*Greetings are exchanged remaining in place by wave, bow, or nod.*

## The Holy Communion

### The Great Thanksgiving *Eucharistic Prayer A*

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.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth because in the obedience of your saints you have given us an example of righteousness, and in their eternal joy a glorious pledge of the hope of our calling.

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:

*Celebrant and People*

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

*The Celebrant continues*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen 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 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.

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."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*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,

**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, for ever and ever. Amen.**

### The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

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

Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

### The Post-Communion Prayer

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.**

The Blessing

The Dismissal

The People respond **Thanks be to God.**