



The Third Sunday of Easter

April 18, 2021 | 9:00am

The Annunciation of Our Lady Episcopal Church
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Welcome to Annunciation

What's Happening

This bulletin contains everything you need to participate in the service.

Home Communion

When you would like communion brought to your home, please email the church office or Pastor Jenni.

Online Worship

To facilitate everyone being able to hear during the service, everyone will be muted except for the person speaking.

Please close all other applications on the device you are using. If you are having connection issues, try turning off the video. You will still be able to hear the service.

If your household has multiple devices going, mute the audio on all but one of them, it can cause feedback on the microphones if there are two or more devices broadcasting in the same room. Also, using headphones or earbuds can eliminate problems with active audio

Streaming to Facebook Live

If you weren't able to join us for our live service, the video will be available at:

<https://www.facebook.com/annunciationgurnee/live/>

You do not have to have a Facebook account to view the video.

The Sanctuary Candle is given in thanksgiving for the blessing of faithful companions!

In-person, indoor worship

- Remember, we are safer at home and online worship will be streaming. If you are not feeling well, have been exposed to COVID-19, or are being treated for COVID-19, you need to stay home.
- You must register for church if you will be attending in the building.
- You must wear a mask at all times in the building, with these exceptions: you are a reader or intercessor at the lectern or pulpit and to consume communion.
- Masks will be provided, if you forget yours.
- All greetings, the Peace, and conversations must be physically distanced.
- We will not have paper bulletins. You will need a mobile device or print at home.
- There will be a collection basket at the entrance of the Nave, if you would like to bring your offering.
- You are welcome to be in the parking lot and stream the service - one of the clergy will bring you communion at the end of the service.
- There is no singing inside the building.

Entrance:

- Enter the church building through the Main doors.
- Please sanitize your hands before entering the building.
- Please do not touch door knobs or handles
- Please be seated on one of the numbered seats. You will need to remain there for the entirety of service, unless you are a reader.
- We require you to maintain good physical distancing, at 6-foot distance from others.
- We will be making note of who is present at worship in case we need to do contact tracing.

Restroom:

- **Restrooms** are available in the Parish Hall. The restrooms are for one-at-a time use, please wait for the previous person to exit.
- Please only touch the surfaces that are necessary and wipe them with a disinfecting wipe afterward.

Holy Eucharist:

- **This morning we will be celebrating Holy Eucharist. At the invitation to Communion, please come forward to the altar, either one "pod" together or one individual at a time, and receive the wafer. Then make your way to one of the wine stations, consume the wine and deposit the cup in the basket. Then make your way back to your seat.**

Exit:

- Leave the Nave through the center doors and make your way out the front doors.
- There can be no lingering in the Narthex.

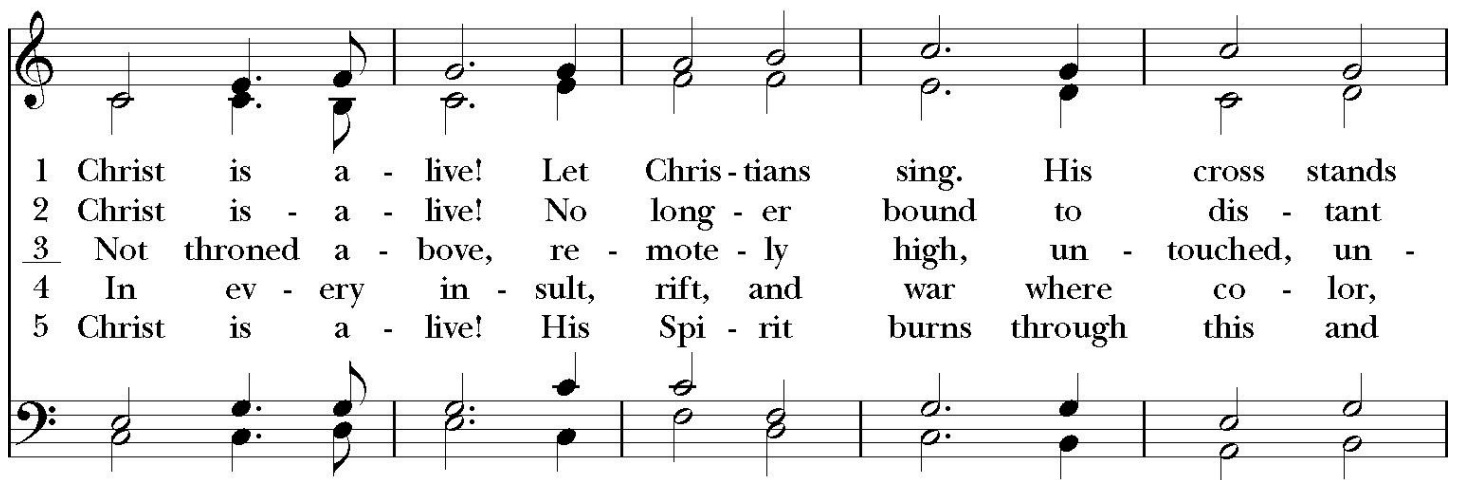
The Liturgy of the Word

Organ Prelude

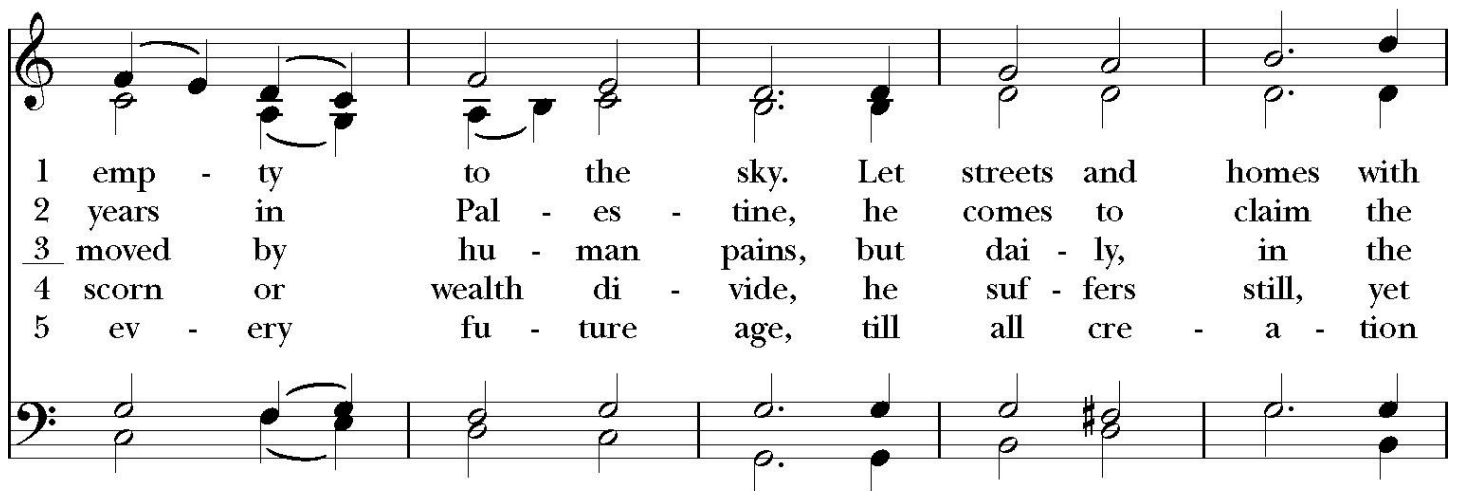
Please stand as you are able.

Opening Hymn #182

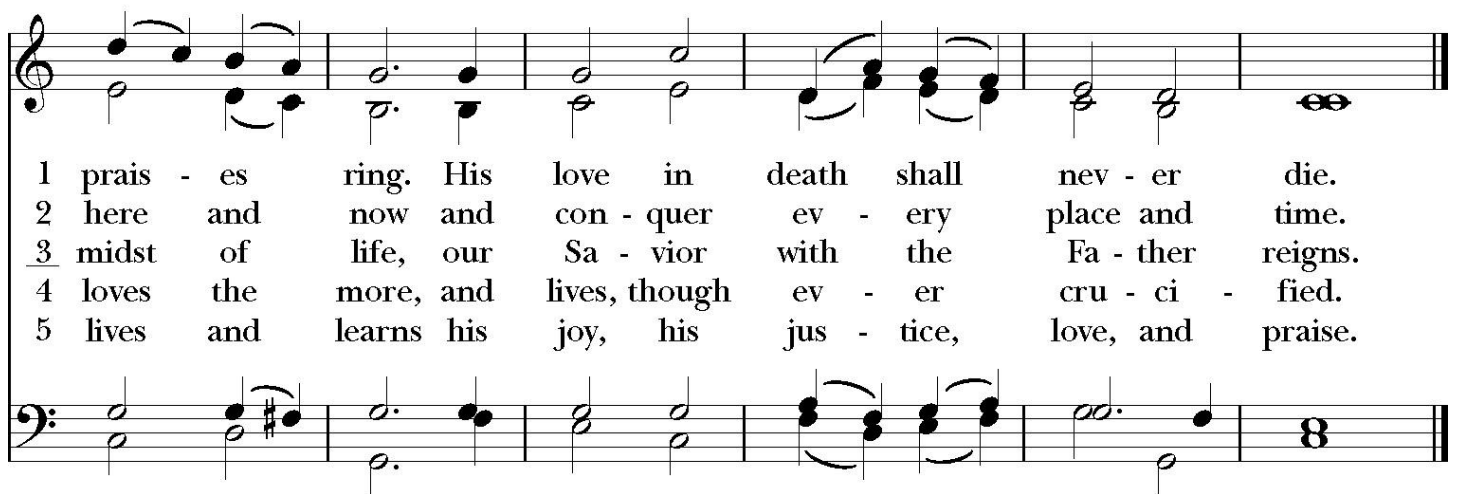
Christ is alive, v. 1&5



1 Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing. His cross stands
 2 Christ is - a - live! No long - er bound to dis - tant
 3 Not throned a - bove, re - mote - ly high, un - touched, un -
 4 In ev - ery in - sult, rift, and war where co - lor,
 5 Christ is a - live! His Spi - rit burns through this and



1 emp - ty to the sky. Let streets and homes with
 2 years in Pal - es - tine, he comes to claim the
 3 moved by hu - man pains, but dai - ly, in the
 4 scorn or wealth di - vide, he suf - fers still, yet
 5 ev - ery fu - ture age, till all cre - a - tion



1 prais - es ring. His love in death shall nev - er die.
 2 here and now and con - quer ev - ery place and time.
 3 midst of life, our Sa - vior with the Fa - ther reigns.
 4 loves the more, and lives, though ev - er cru - ci - fied.
 5 lives and learns his joy, his jus - tice, love, and praise.

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 Music: *Truro*, melody from *Psalmody Evangelica, Part II*, 1789; harm. Lowell Mason (1792-1872), alt.

Opening Proclamation

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People: **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

Collect for Purity

Celebrant: 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.

People: **Amen.**

Gloria

*Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.*

*Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.*

*Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;*

*you are seated at the right hand
of the Father: receive our prayer.*

*For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.*

Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: **Amen.**

Please be seated.

The First Lesson

3:12-19

Reader: A reading from the book of Acts of the Apostles.

Peter addressed the people, "You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you.

"And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.
People: ***Thanks be to God.***

The Psalm

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Reader: Let us say the psalm responsively by half verse.

Answer me when I call, O God, defender of
my cause;
***you set me free when I am hard-pressed;
have mercy on me and hear my prayer.***

"You mortals, how long will you dishonor
my glory;
***how long will you worship dumb idols
and run after false gods?"***

Know that the Lord does wonders for the
faithful;
when I call upon the Lord, he will hear me.

Tremble, then, and do not sin;
speak to your heart in silence upon your bed.

Offer the appointed sacrifices
and put your trust in the Lord.

Many are saying, "Oh, that we might see
better times!"
***Lift up the light of your countenance upon
us, O Lord.***

You have put gladness in my heart,
***more than when grain and wine and oil
increase.***

I lie down in peace; at once I fall asleep;
for only you, Lord, make me dwell in safety.

The Second Lesson

1 John 3:1-7

Reader: A reading from the first letter of John.

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

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People: Thanks be to God.

Musical Gospel Acclamation

Please stand as you are able.

The Gospel

24:36-48

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Deacon: While they were talking about this, Jesus himself stood among the disciples and said to them, "Peace be with you." They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence.

Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

Please stand as you are able.

The Creed

*We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.*

*We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,*

*of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate
from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified
under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.*

*On the third day he rose again
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.*

*We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,*

*who proceeds from the Father
and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is
worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic
and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism
for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come.*
Amen.

Prayers of the People

*Leader: See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God;
and that is what we are. So let us appeal to the Lord, saying, "Answer us when
we call, O God: have mercy on us and hear our prayer."*

*Leader: Speak peace to your Church, Lord Christ. Open our minds to your truth. Open
our hearts to your presence. Send us forth into the world as witnesses to your
resurrection. Answer us when we call, O God;*

People: Have mercy on us and hear our prayer.

*Leader: Speak peace to our world, Lord Christ. Many are saying, "Oh, that we might see
better times!" Lift up the light of your countenance; give the people of the world
hope. Answer us when we call, O God;*

People: Have mercy on us and hear our prayer.

*Leader: Speak peace to the earth, Lord Christ. You entered into the created order and
blessed it. Give us eyes to see signs of redemption. Give us courage to
responsibly care for all that you have made. Answer us when we call, O God;*

People: Have mercy on us and hear our prayer.

*Leader: Speak peace to those who work for the end of hunger and poverty, Lord Christ.
You know the pangs of hunger; you know also the depth of our community's
needs. Comfort and encourage those who become discouraged in their work. Set
free those who are hard-pressed; fulfill all those in need. Answer us when we
call, O God;*

People: Have mercy on us and hear our prayer.

*Leader: Speak peace to the sick and sorrowful, Lord Christ. When we call upon you, you
hear us. You do wonders for the faithful. In your name we pray that our loved
ones would have their health restored. Today we pray for **Bishop-elect Paula;**
Robertta Leitza; Rob; Greg, Joe, Helene; Marsha; John; Garry; Cindy; Jewell; Gen;*

Juan; Alex and Natalie; Charlie; Courtney; Jeff, Caryn, Missy, and Jessie; and the people served by Sunrise Assisted Living and PADS.

You are invited to say aloud or offer silently your own prayers for those in need.

Answer us when we call, O God;

People: Have mercy on us and hear our prayer.

Leader: For all those who serve in the Armed Forces, including ***Liam Mellen, Chad VanHorn, Christopher Pavy, Nick Unda, Ian Pocklington, Ethan Pocklington, Christopher Froelich, Karl Mohrmann, Trish Hull, and Clay Anderson.*** Answer us when we call, O God;

People: Have mercy on us and hear our prayer.

Leader: Let us join in rejoicing with those who celebrate birthdays and anniversaries, including ***Mary Lawless (4/21), Barb Clark (4/25), and Juan & Griselda Moreno (4/20).***

You are invited to say aloud or offer silently your own thanksgivings for celebrations in your life.

Answer us when we call, O God;

People: Have mercy on us and hear our prayer.

Leader: Speak peace to those who are dying and those who are grieving, Lord Christ. Having been baptized into your death, O Christ, we await the day when we will be like you, experiencing the fullness of your resurrection.

You are invited to say aloud or offer silently your own prayers for those who have died.

Answer us when we call, O God;

People: Have mercy on us and hear our prayer.

Celebrant: Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles, "Peace I give to you; my own peace I leave with you:" Regard not our brokenness, but the faith of your Church, and give to us the peace and unity of that heavenly City, where with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, now and forever.

People: Amen.

The Peace

Celebrant: Dear friends in Christ, the peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

After you have greeted others, please have a seat.

Offertory

Celebrant and People say together,

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,

Praise God all creatures here below.

Praise God above ye heavenly host,

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Musical Offertory

The Holy Communion

Please stand as you are able.

The Great Thanksgiving

Enriching Our Worship 1, Prayer 1

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 God thanks and praise.*

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy, but chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life. Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we say:

Holy, holy, holy Lord.

God of power and might.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosannah in the highest!

Blessed is the one who comes

in the Name of the Lord

Hosannah in the highest!

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love.

Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people. Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation.

Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world.

Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with the ever-blessed Virgin Mary and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name forever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever.

People: Amen!

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant: 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: The disciples knew the Lord Jesus in the breaking of the bread. The bread which we break is the communion of the body of Christ. Alleluia.

People: *We are one body because we share one bread and one cup. Alleluia.*

Invitation to Communion

Celebrant: These are the gifts of God and we are the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts with thanksgiving.

Receiving Communion

You're Invited: *This is Jesus' table; he made no restrictions, and neither do we.*

Host: *Our communion is by wafer. The priest will place the wafer in your hand.*

Wine: *Take a cup and after you have consumed the wine, put it in the glass container by the lectern. You also may abstain from receiving the wine.*

Gluten: *Gluten-free wafers are available. Ask the priest for one when you come up.*

Spiritual Communion

The Book of Common Prayer reminds us that if one is unable to actually consume the consecrated bread and wine due to extreme sickness or disability, the desire is enough for God to grant all the benefits of communion (p. 457). When being present at a celebration of the Eucharist is absolutely impossible, this act of prayer and meditation can provide the means by which you can associate yourself with the Eucharistic Action and open yourself to God's grace and blessing. (Borrowed from our friends in Christ at St. Peter's, Chicago and *The St. Augustine's Prayer Book*)

People: *Gracious God, I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving. I believe that you are present in the Bread and Wine of the Holy Sacrament. And since I cannot now receive you in the Sacrament, I ask you to come into my heart. I unite myself with you and embrace you with all the affections of my soul. Let me never be separated from you. Let me live and die in your love. Amen.*

Communion Hymn LEVAS #213

Children of the Heavenly Father, v. 1&2



1. Chil - dren of the heav'n-ly Fa - ther Safe - ly in His bos - om gath - er;
 2. God His own doth tend and nour-ish, In His ho - ly courts they flour - ish;
 3. Nei - ther life nor death shall ev - er From the Lord His child - ren sev - er;
 4. Praise the Lord in joy - ful num-bers, Your pro-lect - or nev - er slum-bers;
 5. Though He giv - eth or He tak - eth, God His chil-dren ne'er for - sak - eth;

1. Nest-ling bird nor star in heav - en, Such a ref - uge e'er was giv - en.
 2. From all e - vil things He spares them, In His might - y arms He bears them.
 3. Un - to them His grace He show - eth, And their sor - rows all He know - eth.
 4. At the will of your de - fend - er Ev - ery per - son must sur - ren - der.
 5. His the lov - ing pur - pose sole - ly To pre - serve them pure and ho - ly.

Sending Forth of Eucharistic Visitors

*The Deacon sends parishioners to bring Communion and companionship to the sick and homebound.
 This morning we have parishioners who will lead the service at Sunrise Assisted Living Center.*

Postcommunion Prayer

Celebrant: Let us pray.
You're invited to stand or kneel, as able.

People: *God of abundance,
 you have fed us with the bread of life
 and the cup of salvation;
 you have united us with Christ and one another;
 and you have made us one
 with all your people in heaven and on earth.
 Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit,
 that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world
 and continue for ever in the risen life
 of Christ our Savior. Amen.*

Blessing

Celebrant: The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.

People: *Amen.*

Welcome & Announcements

Closing Hymn #205

Good Christians rejoice, v. 1&2

1 Good Chris - tians all, re - joice and sing! Now is the
 *2 The Lord of life is risen to - day! Sing songs of
 3 Praise we in songs of vic - to - ry that love, that
 4 Your Name we bless, O ris - en Lord, and sing to -
 5 To God the Fa - ther, God the Son, to God the

1 tri - umph of our King! To all the world glad news we bring:
 2 praise a - long his way; let all the earth re - joice and say:
 3 life which can - not die, and sing with hearts up - lift - ed high:
 4 day with one ac - cord the life laid down, the life re - stored:
 5 Spi - rit, al - ways One, we sing for life in us be - gun:

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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The Dismissal

Deacon: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Organ Postlude

9:00 Ministers

1st Reader &

Psalm

Carol Eads

2nd Reader

John Herbert

Prayers

Pam Herbert

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