



THE SACRAMENT
OF
FIRST HOLY
COMMUNION

APRIL 25, 2026
3:00PM

THE PARISH OF
ST. JOHN THE
BAPTIST

IN THE CITY OF
HARRISON, OHIO

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GATHERING RITE

STAND

GATHERING SONG: *The God of All Grace*

Manalo

Refrain:

The God of all grace has blessed us this day, all of crea -
tion joins us in praise; lift - ing our voic - es, lift - ing our
hearts to the glo - ry of God for - ev - er!

Verses:

1. God of pow - er and might, come in - to our
2. God of mer - cy and truth, who brings us from
3. God of won - drous love, com - pas - sion and

1. pres - ence this day. Strength - en us now with a
2. night in - to day, nour - ish our lives with a
3. glo - ry are yours. Come fill our hearts with a

1. spir - it of faith; we gath - er in your name.
2. spir - it of hope and shield us from all fear.
3. spir - it of love: the joy we find in you.


SIGN OF THE CROSS & GREETING

The grace of our Lord... be with you all.
R/. **And with Your Spirit.**

SPRINKLING RITE: *Easter Vigil Initiation Acclamations*

Alonso

Cantor All




I saw wa - ter, flow - ing clear, I saw wa - ter, flow - ing clear,
All who came and drank were saved. All who came and drank were saved,
Springs of wa - ter, bless_ the Lord; springs of wa - ter, bless_ the Lord;

Cantor All



from the right side of God's ho - ly tem - ple, from the right side of God's ho - ly tem - ple.
Let all cre - a - tion sing al - le - lu - ia. Let all cre - a - tion sing al - le - lu - ia.
praise and ex - alt him a - bove all for - ev - er, praise and ex - alt him a - bove all for - ev - er.

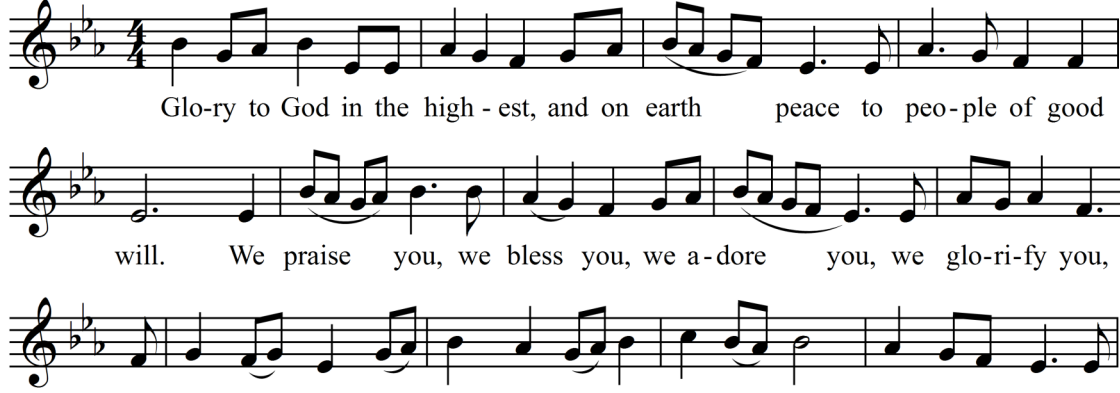
(All)



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

GLORIA: *Mass of Wisdom*

Janco



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 - mighty Fa - ther. Lord Je - sus Christ, On - ly Be - got - ten Son,
 Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa - ther, you take a - way the
 sins of the world, have mer - cy on us; you take a - way the sins of the world,
 re - ceive our prayer; you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther,
 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.

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COLLECT

SIT

LITURGY OF THE WORD

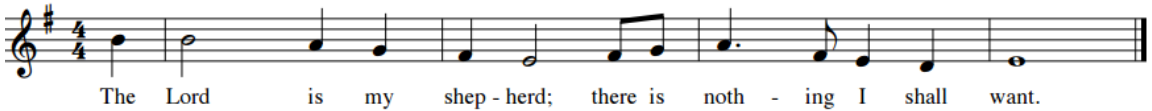
FIRST READING:

Acts of the Apostles 2:14a, 36-41

God has made Jesus both Lord and Messiah.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: *Psalm 23 The Lord is my shepherd*

Guimont



Psalm 23: 1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6

I will extoll you, O Lord, for you have raised me up, and have not let me enemies rejoice over me. O Lord, you have lifted my soul from Sheol, restored me to life from those who sink into the pit. *R./*

Hear, O Lord, and have mercy on me; be my helper, O Lord. You have changed my mourning into dancing. O Lord my God, I will thank you forever. *R./*

Sing psalms to the Lord, you faithful ones; give thanks to his holy name. His anger lasts a moment; his favor all through life. At night come tears, but dawn brings joy. *R./*

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SECOND READING:

1 Peter 2:20b-25

Through Jesus' wounds, we have been healed and have returned to our shepherd.

STAND

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: *Mass of Wisdom*

Janco



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GOSPEL READING:

John 10:1-10

Let us listen for his voice and follow him.

HOMILY

SIT

APOSTLES CREED

STAND

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,

At the words that follow, up to and including the Virgin Mary, all bow:

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS: *Mass of Wisdom*

Janco

Musical notation for General Intercessions. The score is in 4/4 time with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). It is divided into two parts: 'Cantor:' and 'Congregation:'. The lyrics are: (Intercessions) we pray to the Lord. Lord, hear our prayer.

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LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

PREPARATION OF GIFTS: *No Greater Love*

Joncas

Musical notation for 'No Greater Love'. The score is in 4/4 time with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The lyrics are: There is no great-er love, says the Lord, than to lay down your life for a friend; there is no great-er love, no great-er love, than to lay down your life for a friend.

Verses

1. As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you. Live on in my love.
You will live in my love if you keep my commands, even as I have kept my Father's.
2. All this I tell you that my joy may be yours and your joy may be complete.
Love one another as I have loved you: This is my command.
3. You are my friends if you keep my commands; no longer slaves but friends to me.
All I heard from my Father, I have made known to you: Now I call you friends.
4. It was not you who chose me, it was I who chose you, chose you to go forth and bear fruit.
Your fruit must endure, so you will receive all you ask the Father in my name.

INVITATION TO PRAYER

STAND

Text: John15:9-17; Michael Joncas, b. 1951

Tune: Michael Joncas, b. 1951

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Pray Brothers & Sisters... the almighty father.

**R/. 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.**

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

PREFACE DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you.

R/. And with your spirit.

Lift up your hearts.

R/. We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

R/. It is right and just.

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY: *Mass of Wisdom*

Janco

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly — Lord God of hosts.

Heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry, Ho-san-na, ho-san-na, ho-san-na in the high-est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na, ho-san-na, ho-san-na in the high-est.

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KNEEL

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION: *Mass of Wisdom*

Janco

Save us, Sa-rior of the world, for by your Cross and Res-ur-rec-tion you have set us free.

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GREAT AMEN: *Mass of Wisdom* (sung twice)

Janco

A-men. A-men. A-men.

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STAND

COMMUNION RITE

OUR FATHER

SIGN OF PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.
R/. **And with your spirit.**

LAMB OF GOD: *Mass of Wisdom*

Janco

Cantor:

All:

(Lamb of God,) you take a - way the sins of the world, have mer - cy on us.

(last time)

Cantor:

All:

(Lamb of God,) you take a - way the sins of the world, grant us peace.

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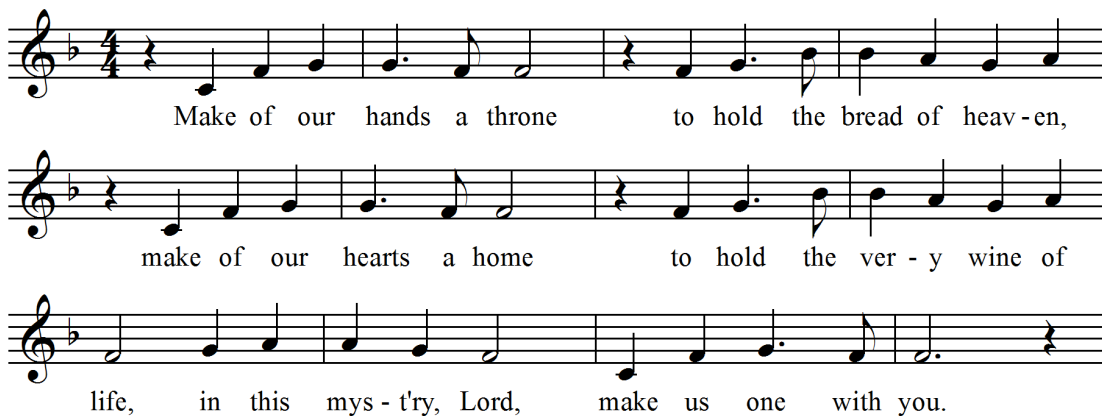
INVITATION TO COMMUNION

KNEEL

Behold the Lamb of God... Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.
R/. **Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.**

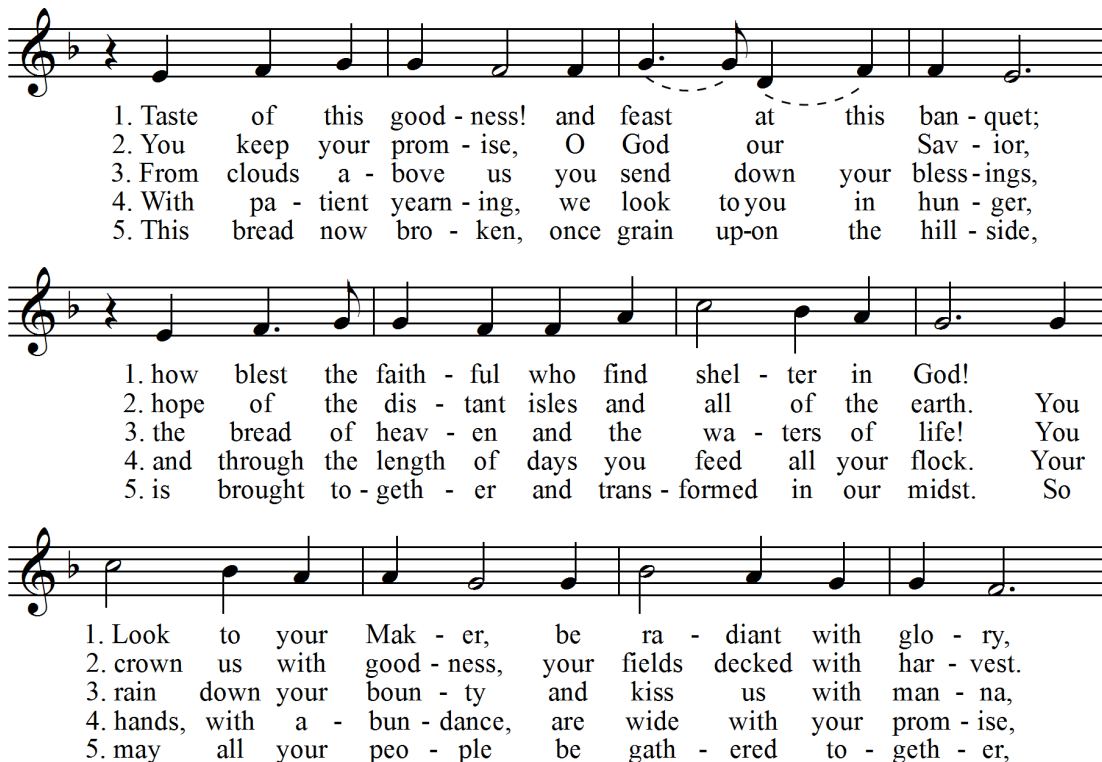


[The refrain is sung twice at the beginning: first by the cantor and then by all.]



Make of our hands a throne to hold the bread of heav-en,
 make of our hearts a home to hold the ver-y wine of
 life, in this mys-t'ry, Lord, make us one with you.

Verses:



1. Taste of this good-ness! and feast at this ban-quet;
 2. You keep your prom-ise, O God our Sav-ior,
 3. From clouds a-bove us you send down your bless-ings,
 4. With pa-tient year-n-ing, we look to you in hun-ger,
 5. This bread now bro-ken, once grain up-on the hill-side,

1. how blest the faith-ful who find shel-ter in God!
 2. hope of the dis-tant isles and all of the earth. You
 3. the bread of heav-en and the wa-ters of life! You
 4. and through the length of days you feed all your flock. Your
 5. is brought to-geth-er and trans-formed in our midst. So

1. Look to your Mak-er, be ra-diant with glo-ry,
 2. crown us with good-ness, your fields decked with har-vest.
 3. rain down your boun-ty and kiss us with man-na,
 4. hands, with a-bun-dance, are wide with your prom-ise,
 5. may all your peo-ple be gath-ered to-geth-er,



1. for those who love the Lord are saved from their fears.
2. Your val - leys clothed in wheat re - sound with your joy!
3. bread of the an - gels for our food and our feast.
4. you grant the long - ings of a peo - ple in need!
5. from ev - 'ry land in - to the king - dom of love!

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Unless a Grain of Wheat

Farrell

Refrain:

Un - less a grain of wheat shall fall up - on the ground and
die, it re - mains but a sin - gle grain
with no life.

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

STAND

CONCLUDING RITE

BLESSING & DISMISSAL

SONG OF SENDING FORTH: *Out of Darkness*

Walker

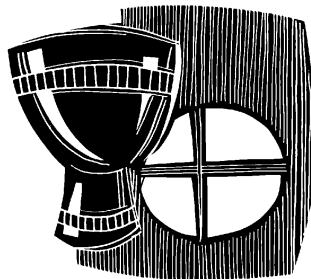
Refrain:

Out of dark - ness God has called us claimed by Christ as
 God's own peo - ple. Ho - ly na - tion, roy - al priest - hood, walk - ing in God's
 mar - v' lous light. mar - v' lous light. A - men.

Verses:

1. Let us take the words you give. Strong and faith - ful words to live.
 2. Let us take the Christ you give, Bro - ken Bod - y, Christ we live.
 3. Let us take the love you give, that the way of love we live.
 Words that in our hearts are sown; words that bind us as your own.
 Christ the ris - en from the tomb; Christ, who calls us as your own.
 Love to bring your peo - ple home; love to make us all your own.

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Our 2026 Candidates for First Eucharist

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| Caleb Auberger | Esmæe Greer | Cooper Schwettmann |
| Daniel Barnett | Finlay Harden | Stella Schwettmann |
| David Barnett | Olivia Hasselbrock | Samuel Shoemaker |
| Mia Beck | Paxton Hoppins | Madelyn Svihlik |
| Charlotte Bischoff | Jovelyn Hotopp | Myla Willingford |
| Haley Bischoff | Silas Hoy | Ashlynn Weitzel |
| Elizabeth Boehne | Remi Huiet | Zoe West |
| Landon Brech | Bryley Kane | Emerson White |
| Emersyn Busse | Lyla Manning | |
| Brinnley Byrd | Mackenzie McBride | |
| Axel Caudill | Eli McCroskey | |
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| Harper Gilbert | Sullivan Ramsey | |
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