



SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

MAY 16, 2021

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Praise to the Lord

1. Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre - a - tion!
2. Praise to the Lord, a - bove all things so won-drous - ly reign - ing,
3. Praise to the Lord! who will pros - per your work and de - fend you;
4. Praise to the Lord O let all that is in me a - dore him!

O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and sal - va - tion!
Shel-t'ring you un - der his wings, and so gent - ly sus - tain - ing.
Sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy shall dai - ly at - tend you.
All that has life and breath, come now with prais - es be - fore him!

Come, all who hear: Now to his al - tar draw near,
Have you not seen All that is need - ful has been
Pon - der a - new What the Al - might - y can do
Let the "A - men!" Sound from his peo - ple a - gain,

Join - ing in glad ad - o - ra - - - tion!
Sent by his gra - cious or - dain - ing?
As with his love he be - friends you.
Glad - ly with praise we a - dore him!

GLORIA

Mass of Spirit & Grace

*Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.
We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.*

*Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,*

*you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.*

*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.*

In the first book, Theophilus, I dealt with all that Jesus did and taught until the day he was taken up, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. He presented himself alive to them by many proofs after he had suffered, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. While meeting with them, he enjoined them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for “the promise of the Father about which you have heard me speak; for John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.” When they had gathered together they asked him, “Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?” He answered them, “It is not for you to know the times or seasons that the Father has established by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, throughout Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” When he had said this, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him from their sight. While they were looking intently at the sky as he was going, suddenly two men dressed in white garments stood beside them. They said, “Men of Galilee, why are you standing there looking at the sky? This Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven will return in the same way as you have seen him going into heaven.”

The Word of the Lord

Respond: *Thanks be to God*

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps. 47



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SECOND READING

Ephesians 1:17-23

Brothers and sisters: May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, give you a Spirit of wisdom and revelation resulting in knowledge of him. May the eyes of your hearts be enlightened, that you may know what is the hope that belongs to his call, what are the riches of glory in his inheritance among the holy ones, and what is the surpassing greatness of his power for us who believe, in accord with the exercise of his great might, which he worked in Christ, raising him from the dead and seating him at his right hand in the heavens, far above every principality, authority, power, and dominion, and every name that is named not only in this age but also in the one to come. And he put all things beneath his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church, which is his body, the fullness of the one who fills all things in every way.

The Word of the Lord

Respond: *Thanks be to God*

Jesus said to his disciples: "Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature. Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved; whoever does not believe will be condemned. These signs will accompany those who believe: in my name they will drive out demons, they will speak new languages. They will pick up serpents with their hands, and if they drink any deadly thing, it will not harm them. They will lay hands on the sick, and they will recover." So then the Lord Jesus, after he spoke to them, was taken up into heaven and took his seat at the right hand of God. But they went forth and preached everywhere, while the Lord worked with them and confirmed the word through accompanying signs.

The Gospel of the Lord

Respond: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PREPARATION OF GIFTS

The Eyes and Hands of Christ

Where two or three are gathered in my name, love will be found,
life will a - bound. By name we are called, from wa - ter we are
sent: to be - come the eyes and hands of Christ.

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Holy, Holy, Holy

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.
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.

Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
grant us peace.

Memorial Acclamations

[Priest] The mystery of faith.

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we
proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.

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Wor-thy is the Lamb that was slain to re - ceive hon - or and
glo - ry. Wor - thy are the ones who be - lieve
to re - ceive the good - ness of God.

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PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL

St. Michael the Archangel,
defend us in battle;
be our protection against the wickedness
and snares of the devil.
May God rebuke him, we humbly pray;
and do thou, O prince of the heavenly host,
by the power of God,
cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits
who prowl about the world
seeking the ruin of souls.
Amen.

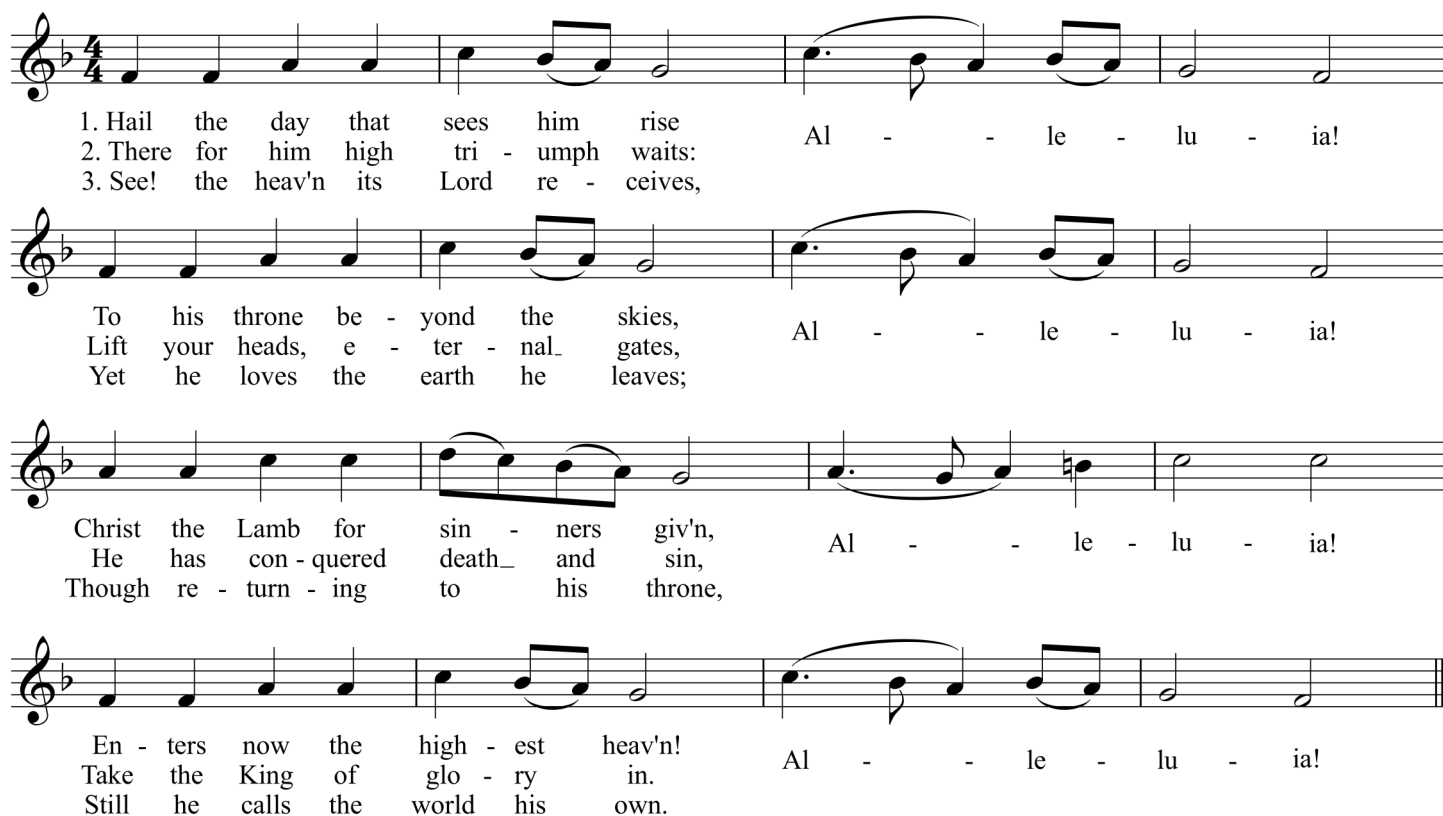
PRAYER TO ST. JOSEPH

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted his only Son;
in you Mary placed her trust;
with you Christ became man.

Blessed Joseph, to us too,
show yourself a father
and guide us in the path of life.
Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage,
and defend us from every evil.
Amen.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Hail the Day that Sees Him Rise



1. Hail the day that sees him rise Al - le - lu - ia!
2. There for him high tri - umph waits:
3. See! the heav'n its Lord re - ceives,
To his throne be - yond the skies, Al - le - lu - ia!
Lift your heads, e - ter - nal gates,
Yet he loves the earth he leaves;
Christ the Lamb for sin - ners giv'n, Al - le - lu - ia!
He has con - quered death and sin,
Though re - turn - ing to his throne,
En - ters now the high - est heav'n!
Take the King of glo - ry in.
Still he calls the world his own. Al - le - lu - ia!