

Holy Eucharist Rite II

Congregational responses are in *bold italic* type.
“*” Indicates where you are invited to stand as you are able.

*Opening Acclamation *(please stand at the sound of the bell)*

Blessed are you, holy and living One.

You come to your people and set them free.

*Processional Hymn

“Prepare the way, O Zion”

“Hark! A thrilling voice is sounding”

Hymnal 65 (Grace Church)

Hymnal 59 (St. Martin’s)

*Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you

And also with you.

Let us pray...

The celebrant says the Collect. At the conclusion, all respond with “Amen”.

First Reading

Isaiah 11:1-10

At the conclusion of the reading:

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

Thanks be to God

Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19

Give the King your justice, O God, *

and your righteousness to the King’s Son;

*That he may rule your people righteously **

and the poor with justice;

*That the mountains may bring prosperity to the people, **

and the little hills bring righteousness.

*He shall defend the needy among the people; **

he shall rescue the poor and crush the oppressor.

*He shall live as long as the sun and moon endure, **

from one generation to another.

*He shall come down like rain upon the mown field, **

like showers that water the earth.

*In his time shall the righteous flourish; **

there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more.

*Blessed be the Lord GOD, the God of Israel, **

who alone does wondrous deeds!

*And blessed be his glorious Name for ever! **

and may all the earth be filled with his glory.

Amen. Amen.

Second Reading

Romans 15:4-13

At the conclusion of the reading:

Here what the Spirit is saying to the Churches.

Thanks be to God

*Sequence Hymn

“The desert shall rejoice”

“Prepare the way, O Zion”

See insert (Grace Church)

Hymnal 65 (St. Martin’s)

*Gospel Reading

Matthew 3:1-12

Prior to the reading:

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to...

Glory to your, Lord Christ

After the reading:

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Christ

The Sermon

The Rev. Kyle Cuperwich

The Nicene Creed

from *Book of Common Prayer 1979*

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

After each petition ends in “Lord, in your mercy”, all respond with *“hear our prayer.”*

Prayer of Confession

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.*

The priest then offers the absolution.

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you
And also with you
Please exchange gestures of peace with one another.

Announcements

Offertory

The table is now prepared for the Eucharist.

Offertory Anthem (Grace Church)

“Creator of the Stars of Night”

arr. Nancy Raabe

Doxology (Grace Church)

Hymnal 380 (v.3)

Offertory Hymn (St. Martin’s)

“Comfort, Comfort ye my people”

Hymnal 67

Once the table is prepared, all stand the following is said:

Blessed are you O Lord our God, Ruler of the Universe. Through your goodness we have this bread to offer. Fruit of the earth and the work of human hands, it will become for us the Bread of Life.

Blessed be God forever.

Blessed are you O Lord our God, Ruler of the Universe. Through your goodness we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine and the work of human hands, it will become for us the Drink of Life.

Blessed be God forever.

***The Eucharist**

The Lord be with you

And also with you

Lift up your hearts

We lift them up to the Lord

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

It is right to give our thanks and praise

In this portion of the prayer, the Celebrant gives thanks to God the Father, for God's work in creation and revelation to God's people. Then follows the Sanctus, an angelic song of praise to God:

And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we say:

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

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Hosanna in the highest.

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

Hosanna in the highest.

The Celebrant now offers praise to God for God's work of salvation in the world through Jesus Christ. This act of praise recalls the events of Jesus' final meal with his disciples. It was at this meal where Jesus took the bread and the cup, blessed them as his Body and Blood, and gave them to his disciples. The Celebrant then calls for the Holy Spirit to be sent upon the gifts so "they may be Body and Blood of Christ," upon us gathered here, and upon the whole earth to bring all things into God's new creation. The Eucharistic prayer then concludes with the final doxology, all responding with AMEN.

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. **AMEN.**

***The Lord's Prayer**

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**

The Celebrant breaks the bread, followed by a period of silence. Then, the following is sung (at Grace Church):
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or said (at St. Martin's)

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

***The Invitation**

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Please come forward to the altar to receive the Sacrament. If receiving the common cup, please refrain from dipping the bread into the cup (intinction). If you do not wish to receive, simply cross your arms and the priest will offer a blessing. Additionally, you may pray the Prayer for Spiritual Communion found below:

*Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament
and, since I cannot at this time receive communion, I pray you
to come into my heart. I unite myself with you and embrace you
with all my heart, my soul, and my mind. Let nothing separate
me from you; let me serve you in this life, until by your grace, I
come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen.*

(From Saint Augustine's Prayer Book, rev 2014., based on a prayer by St. Alphonsus de Liguori)

Communion Hymn (Grace Church)

"I come with joy to meet my Lord"

Hymnal 304

Communion Anthem (St. Martin's)

"Hark! The glad sound! The Savior comes"

Hymnal 72

***Post-Communion Prayer**

Loving God,

we give you thanks

for restoring us in your image

and nourishing us with spiritual food

in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.

Now send us forth

a people, forgiven, healed, renewed;

that we may proclaim your love to the world

and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

***Blessing**

The priest offers a blessing. The deacon or priest then offers the following dismissal:

***Recessional Hymn**

“There’s a voice in the wilderness crying”

“Hail to the Lord’s Anointed”

Hymnal 75 (Grace Church)

Hymnal 616 (St. Martin’s)

***Dismissal**

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

Thank you for joining us today!