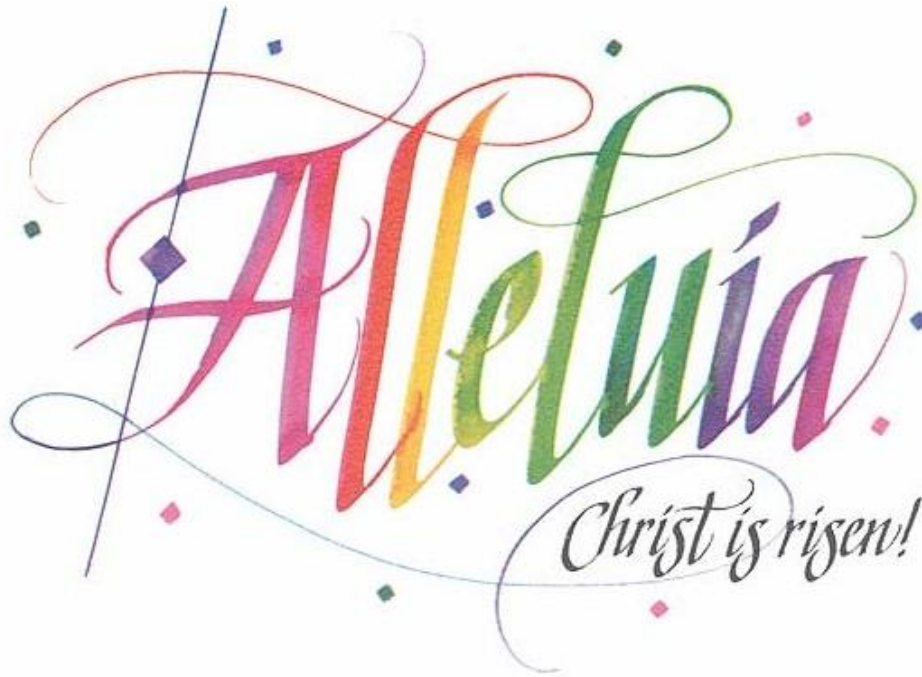


THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

May 11/12, 2024



10:30 a.m. Fr. Sparklin- Assisted by Deacon Harbey
*** 2 First Communions Today**

St. Michael Poplar Springs

Mount Airy, MD

10:30 a.m. in church will be live-streamed.

Prelude

SUNDAY

"I Will Be With You"

James E. Moore

MUSICIAN: Good evening/morning/afternoon! Welcome to St. Michael Poplar Springs! Today, we celebrate the Ascension of the Lord.

10:30 – We offer a special welcome to the families of Woods W. and Lucy B., who will be coming to the Lord’s table for the first time today! Congratulations!

10:30 – Also, welcome to those who join us via livestream! You will find a worship aid for your use on our web site.

ALL MASSES:

Before Mass begins,

let us all take a moment to silence our mobile devices and come to a quiet awareness of God’s presence here, remembering the needs of our loved ones and our world, giving thanks for the many blessings we have received this week.

< PLEASE PAUSE to “remember.” >

Please stand and offer welcome to those around you...

Today our presider is:

5:00 – our pastor, Father Kurt.

8:00 – our pastor, Father Kurt. He is assisted by Deacon Cliff.

10:30 - Father Paul. He is assisted by Deacon Harbey.

12:15–Father Paul.

5:00 – Please turn in the CMM Notebook to C79. Let’s sing together, “Majestic” – C79.

Sunday- Please turn in the Breaking Bread book to song number 191, “Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise,” number one nine-one. Let us sing together.

INTRODUCTORY RITES

Gathering Song

Sunday

BB Book

191

We will sing 4 verses.



1. Hail the day that sees him rise
 2. There for him high tri-umph waits;
 3. High - est heav'n its Lord re - ceives;
 4. See! he lifts his hands a - bove.
 5. Lord, though part - ed from our sight
 6. There with you we shall re - main,
- } Al - le - lu - ia!



1. To his throne be - yond the skies;
 2. Lift your heads, e - ter - nal gates;
 3. Yet he loves the earth he leaves;
 4. See! he shows the wounds of love.
 5. Far be - yond the star - ry height,
 6. Share the glo - ry of your reign,
- } Al - le - lu - ia!



1. Christ, the Lamb for sin - ners giv'n,
 2. He has con - quered death and sin;
 3. Though re - turn - ing to his throne,
 4. Hark! his gra - cious lips be - stow,
 5. Lift our hearts that we may rise
 6. There your face un - cloud - ed view,
- } Al - le - lu - ia!



1. En - ters now the high - est heav'n!
 2. Take the King of glo - ry in.
 3. Still he calls the world his own.
 4. Bless - ings on his church be - low.
 5. One with you be - yond the skies:
 6. Find our heav'n of heav'ns in you.
- } Al - le - lu - ia!

Greeting

Sign of the Cross

Penitential Act

Gloria “Glory to God” from *Mass of Christ the Savior*

Dan Schutte

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Refrain

Glo-ry to God. Glo-ry to God. Glo-ry to God in the high -
est, and on earth peace, on earth peace to peo-ple of good
will. will. A - men. A - men.

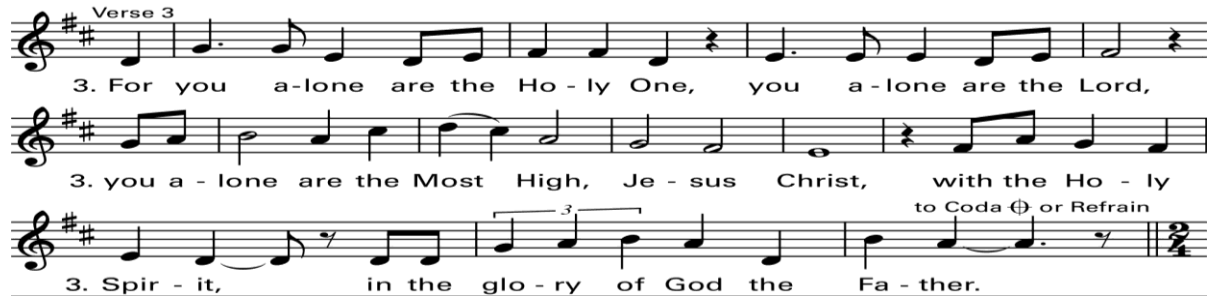
Verse 1

1. We praise you, we bless you, we a - dore you, we
1. glo-ri - fy you, we give you thanks for your great glo - ry,
1. Lord God, heav'n - ly King, O God, al - might - y Fa - ther.

Verse 2

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

Verse 3



3. For you a-lone are the Ho - ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,
 3. you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly
 to Coda ⊕ or Refrain
 3. Spir - it, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther.

Collect

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

Acts of the Apostles 1: 1 - 11

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 47:

“God Mounts His Throne to Shouts of Joy”

Josh Blakesley

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℟. God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trum-pets for the Lord.

Second Reading

Ephesians 1: 17 - 23

Gospel Acclamation

from *Misa del Mundo*

Jesse Mannibusan and Tony Gómez

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Refrain



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.

Gospel

Mark 16: 15 - 20

Homily

Apostles' Creed

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

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.

God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
(*All Bow*) and by the Holy Spirit
was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
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.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son
is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Universal Prayer

“Lord, hear our prayer.”

Lector:

Today the special collection is for the Catholic Communications Campaign.

Please note that the baskets are passed once for the regular offertory and this special collection.

This campaign connects people with Christ and builds Catholic communities using the internet, television, radio, and print media.

Thank you for your generosity.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Preparation of the Gifts

SUNDAY

“Now Is the Time”

Tom KEndzia

Breaking Bread Book, Number 528

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Refrain

Come to us, you who say, "I will not for-get you." Be with us, you
who say, "Do not be a-fraid." Take hold of us, our hearts, our
minds, our whole be - ing. Make us your own, now is the time.

Verses 2

Cantor		All
1. Spir-it of love,	crush the pain of ha-tred.	
2. Spir-it of peace,	si-lence tongues of an-ger.	
3. Spir-it of faith,	rise a-bove our doubt-ing.	

Cantor

1. Spir-it of hope,	stand be-fore our eyes.	Spir-it of light,
2. Spir-it of life,	break the chains of death.	Spir-it of joy,
3. Spir-it of truth,	save us from our lies.	Spir-it of God,

All

to Refrain

1. dance with-in our dark-ness.	Make us your own,	now is the time.
2. o-ver-come our sad-ness.	Make us your own,	now is the time.
3. walk a-mong your peo-ple.	Make us your own,	now is the time.

Eucharistic Prayer

Acclamations from MASS OF CHRIST THE SAVIOR

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“Holy, Holy”

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts. Heav-en and
earth are full, 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, who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -

The musical score for "Holy, Holy" is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of four staves of music. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is simple and hymn-like. The lyrics are: "Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts. Heav-en and". The second staff continues the melody: "earth are full, are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na! Ho -". The third staff includes a triplet of eighth notes and the lyrics: "san - na! Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is". The fourth staff concludes the piece with the lyrics: "he who comes, who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -".

“Memorial Acclamation”

We pro - claim your Death, O Lord, and pro - fess your
Res - ur - rec - tion un - til you come a - gain.

The musical score for "Memorial Acclamation" is written in G major and 4/4 time. It consists of two staves of music. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp. The melody is simple and hymn-like. The lyrics are: "We pro - claim your Death, O Lord, and pro - fess your". The second staff continues the melody: "Res - ur - rec - tion un - til you come a - gain".

“Great Amen”

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

The musical score for "Great Amen" is written in G major and 4/4 time. It consists of one staff of music. The melody is simple and hymn-like. The lyrics are: "A - men. A - men. A - men.".

Communion Rite

The Lord’s Prayer

Sign of Peace

The Lamb of God

Acclamation from MASS OF CHRIST THE SAVIOR

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

COMMUNION PROCESSION

Communion Antiphon

“Ascension”

Steve Angrisano, Sarah Hart, and Curtis Stephen

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Be - hold, I am with you al - ways,
e - ven to the end of the
age, al - le - lu - ia.

Communion Song SUNDAY

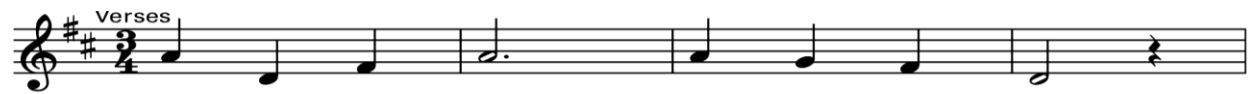
“Spirit and Grace”

Ricky Manalo

Breaking Bread, Number 362

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Verses
1. Spir - it and grace, here in this meal;
2. Spir - it and grace, here in this meal;
3. Spir - it and grace, here in this place;
4. Spir - it of God, send - ing us forth;



1. you are the wind that breathes through the field.
2. you are the life that flows through the vine.
3. you are the light that shines in this space.
4. we spread your wis - dom through - out all the earth.



1. Gath - er the wheat and form us in Christ.
2. Gath - er this drink and form us in Christ.
3. Gath - er your peo - ple and form us in Christ.
4. Gath - er the na - tions and form us in Christ.



1. Come, be our source and breath of life.
2. Come, be our source and blood of life.
3. Come, be the heart - beat of our lives.
4. Come, be the pres - ence in our lives.



Refrain
In the bread, blessed, bro - ken and shared, Christ is our



life, whose presence we bear. Come, O Spir - it, make your



3 to Verses
grace re - vealed in this ho - ly meal.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Musician –

- *If you are having a medical procedure or surgery soon, please meet the priest at the Reconciliation Room for the Anointing of the Sick after he greets parishioners.*
- *Happy mothers' day to all our moms! The Men's Club is selling flower and vegetable plants in the Fellowship Hall for you on this very special day.*
- *This Wednesday, the Knights of Columbus are hosting a presentation on tips and preventative measures to prevent slips, trips and falls in the home. See the bulletin for details.*
- *Mark your calendars! Join us next Sunday for the Cornerstone Breakfast and Lunches for our Neighbors in Need.*

Prayer after Communion

Prayer for Vocations

Please join in praying for vocations.

The prayer is found on the card inserted in the Breaking Bread books...

**Loving and Generous God,
it is You who call us by name
and ask us to follow You.**

**Help us to grow in the Love and Service
of our Church as we experience it today,
and give us the energy and courage of Your Spirit
to shape its future.**

**Grant us faith-filled leaders,
who will embrace Christ's mission
of love and justice.**

**Bless the Parish of St. Michael Poplar Springs,
by raising up dedicated and generous leaders
from our families and friends
who will serve Your people as Sisters, Priests,
Brothers, Deacons, and Lay Ministers.**

**Inspire us to know You better
and open our hearts to hear Your call.**

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**We would now like to take a moment on this Mother's Day
(weekend) to acknowledge, and ask God's blessing upon, the
mom among us here.**

Blessing of Mothers/Women (from BOOK OF BLESSINGS)

Loving God,

**as a mother gives life and nourishment to her children,
so you watch over your Church.**

Bless these women,

that they may be strengthened as Christian mothers.

Let the example of their faith and love shine forth.

Grant that we, their sons and daughters,

may honor them always

with a spirit of profound respect.

Grant this through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Then he blesses all present.

And may almighty God bless you all,

The Father, and the Son, + and the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Dismissal

Sending Forth

SUNDAY

“One Spirit, One Church”

Kevin Keil, Maryanne Quinlan

Breaking Bread Book, Number 425

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Refrain

We are a pil-grim peo-ple, we are the Church of God. A
 fam-ly of be-liev-ers, dis-ci-ples of the Lord. U-nit-ed in one
 spir-it, ig-nit-ed by the fire. Still burn-ing through the a-ges, still

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to Vss

Final

Verses

pres-ent in our lives. lives. A - men! 1. Come, Ho - ly Ghost, Cre - a - tor
 2. O Com-fort - er, to thee we

1. blest, and in our hearts take up thy rest; come with thy
 2. cry, thou gift of God sent from on high. Thou font of

to Refrain

1. grace and heav'n-ly aid to fill the hearts which thou hast made.
 2. life and fire of love, the soul's a - noint - ing from a - bove.