



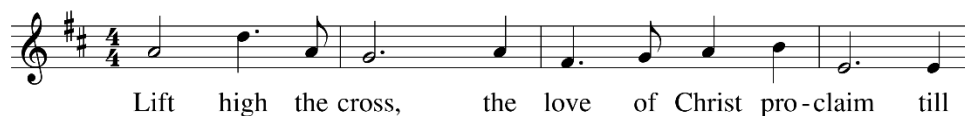
Exultation of the Holy Cross
A Day of Prayer and Reparation for the Sins of Abuse
September 14, 2025



INTRODUCTORY RITES

Gathering Song:

Lift High the Cross



1. Come, Chris - tians, fol - low where the Mas - ter trod, our
2. Led on their way by this tri - um-phand sign, the
3. Each new - born fol - l'wer of the Cru - ci - fied bears
4. O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree, your
5. So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be: praise



King vic - to - rious, Christ, the Son of God.
hosts of God in con - quering ranks com - bine.
on the brow the seal of him who died.
death has bought us life e - ter - nal - ly.
to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry!

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Sign of the Cross

Greeting

Act of Penitence

Gloria

Glo-ry! Glo-ry to God in the high-est. Glo-ry!

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 - might-y 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. Glo-ry!

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

Opening Prayer

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Reading 1

Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Lectionary: 638

Reading 1

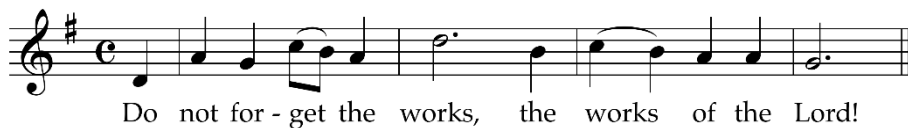
Numbers 21:4b-9

With their patience worn out by the journey,
the people complained against God and Moses,
"Why have you brought us up from Egypt to die in this desert,
where there is no food or water?
We are disgusted with this wretched food!"

In punishment the LORD sent among the people saraph serpents,
which bit the people so that many of them died.
Then the people came to Moses and said,
"We have sinned in complaining against the LORD and you.
Pray the LORD to take the serpents from us."
So Moses prayed for the people, and the LORD said to Moses,
"Make a saraph and mount it on a pole,
and if any who have been bitten look at it, they will live."
Moses accordingly made a bronze serpent and mounted it on a pole,
and whenever anyone who had been bitten by a serpent
looked at the bronze serpent, he lived.

The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm:



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Reading 2

Philippians 2:6-11

Brothers and sisters:

Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God something to be grasped.

Rather, he emptied himself,
taking the form of a slave,
coming in human likeness;
and found human in appearance,
he humbled himself,
becoming obedient to death,
even death on a cross.

Because of this, God greatly exalted him
and bestowed on him the name
that is above every name,
that at the name of Jesus
every knee should bend,
of those in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
and every tongue confess that
Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

The Word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation



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Priest or Deacon: The Lord be with you

All Respond: And with your spirit

Priest or Deacon: A reading from the Holy Gospel According to: John

*All Respond: (signing the cross on their forehead, lips and heart)
Glory to you, O Lord.*

Gospel

John 3:13-17

Jesus said to Nicodemus:

"No one has gone up to heaven
except the one who has come down from heaven, the Son of Man.
And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert,
so must the Son of Man be lifted up,
so that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life."

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son,
so that everyone who believes in him might not perish
but might have eternal life.
For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world,
but that the world might be saved through him.

The Gospel of the Lord.

All respond: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

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,
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 (Prayer of the Faithful)

Please respond: Lord hear our prayer

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Preparation Song:

ONLY THIS I WANT

Dan Schutte

Refrain

On - ly this I want: but to know the Lord,
and to bear his cross, so to wear the crown he wore.

Verses

1. All but this is loss, worth-less ref-use to me,
2. I will run the race; I will fight the good fight,
3. Let your heart be glad, al - ways glad in the Lord,

1. for to gain the Lord is to gain ____ all I need.
2. so to win the prize of the king-dom of my Lord.
3. so to shine like stars in the dark-ness of the night.

to Refrain

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Invitation to Pray

Pray my brothers and sisters ...

*Response: 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.*

Preface Dialogue

The Lord be with you.

Response: And with your spirit.

Lift up your hearts.

Response: We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Response: It is right and just.

Eucharistic Acclamations: Mass of Saint Ann

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts.
Heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. 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 in the high - est. Ho - san - na, ho -
san - na in the high - est.

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Memorial Acclamation

Priest: Let us proclaim the Mystery of Faith:

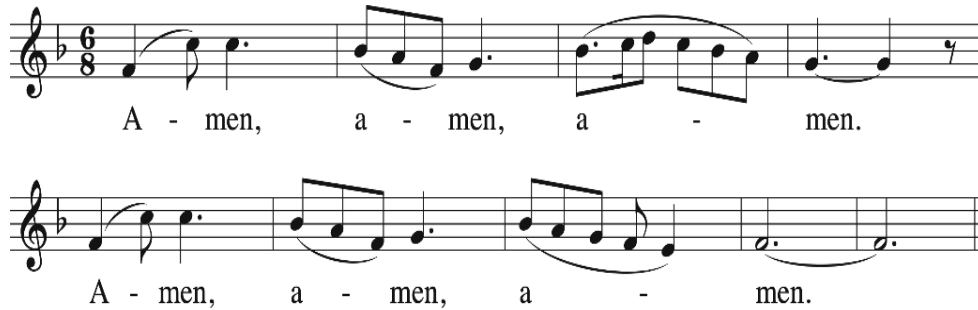
All Sing:

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

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AMEN



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The Lord's Prayer

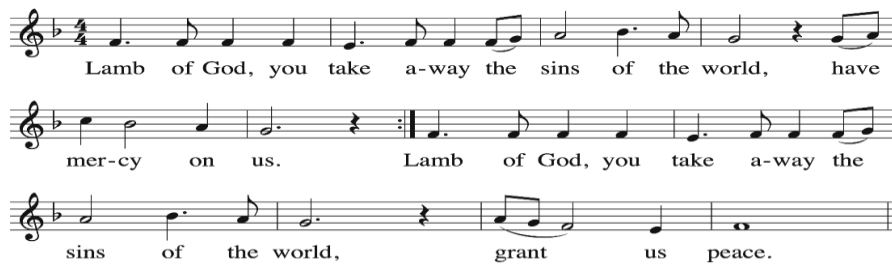
Sign of Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Response: And with your Spirit

Breaking of the Bread

LAMB OF GOD



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Invitation to Communion

Behold the Lamb of God,
Behold him who takes away the sins of the world.
Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

*Response: Lord, I am not worthy
that you should enter under my roof,
but only say the word and my soul
shall be healed.*

Communion Song:

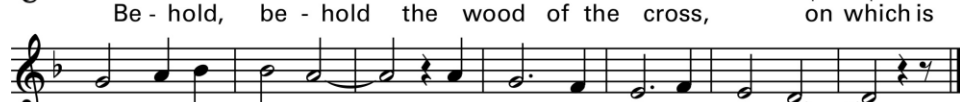
BEHOLD THE WOOD

Dan Schutte

Refrain



Be - hold, be - hold the wood of the cross, on which is



hung our sal - va - tion. O come, let us a - dore.

Verses



1. Un - less a grain of wheat shall fall up - on the ground and die, it
2. And when my hour of glo - ry comes as all was meant to be, $\frac{1}{2}$
3. For there can be no great - er love — shown up - on this land than
4. My Fa - ther, if it be your plan, this cup might pass me by; yet
5. For sure - ly he has borne our tears, is wound - ed by our sin, and
6. My bod - y now is torn with pain, my friends have left and gone. O



1. shall re - main but a sin - gle grain and not give life.
2. you shall see me lift - ed up up - on a tree.
3. in the one who came to die that we might live.
4. let it hap - pen as you will if I must die.
5. yet he o - pens not his mouth that we might live.
6. lov - ing Fa - ther, take my life in - to your hands.

to Refrain

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Post Communion Prayer

CONCLUDING RITES

Announcements

Final Blessing

Dismissal

Sending Song:

AT THE NAME OF JESUS

Christopher Walker

Refrain

At the name of Je-sus, ev-'ry knee shall bow, ev-'ry tongue con-

fess him: King of glo-ry now. Je-sus is Lord, King of glo-ry now!

Verses

1. He ___ emp-tied him - self, as a slave, yet free,
2. He ___ hum-bled him - self, and o-beyed God's will.
3. God ex - alt - ed him, raised him up on high
4. Christ ___ Je - sus will come at the end of time,

1. came in hu - man like-ness ___ for you and for me; in
2. On a cross he died ___ on Cal - va - ry's hill; for
3. so a - bove all oth - ers ___ his name will not die; that
4. come with ju - bi - la - tion ___ to call ___ us home. Un -

1. hu - man like-ness ___ for you and for me.
2. you and me he o-beyed ___ God's will.
3. name we hon - or ___ and glo - ri - fy.
4. til that day you and I will pro - claim:

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