

24th Sunday of the Year
September 12-13, 2026

INTRODUCTORY RITES

Gathering Song:

GATHER YOUR PEOPLE

Bob Hurd



Refrain

Gath - er your peo - ple, O Lord. Gath - er your
peo - ple, O Lord. One bread, one bod - y, one
spir - it of love. Gath - er your peo - ple, O Lord.

Verses

1. Draw us forth to the ta - ble of life:
2. We are parts of the bod - y of Christ,
3. No more harm on the moun - tain of God;
4. Wash us, Lord, in the wa - ters of life;

1. broth - ers and sis - ters, each of us called to
2. need - ing each oth - er, each of the gifts the
3. swords in - to plow - shares. Free us, O Lord, from
4. wa - ters of mer - cy, wa - ters of hope that

2 to Refrain

1. walk in your light.
2. Spir - it pro - vides.
3. hard - ness of heart.
4. flow from your side.

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Sign of the Cross
Greeting
Act of Penitence

Glory to God: Mass of Christ the Savior

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.

1-4 (1st time: to Refrain)
to Verses

Final

⊕ Coda

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,
to Verse 2 or Refrain

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,
to Verse 3 or Refrain

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. A - men. A - men.

⊕ Coda

Opening Prayer

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Reading 1

[Sirach 27:30—28:7](#)

Wrath and anger are hateful things,
yet the sinner hugs them tight.
The vengeful will suffer the LORD's vengeance,
for he remembers their sins in detail.
Forgive your neighbor's injustice;
then when you pray, your own sins will be forgiven.
Could anyone nourish anger against another
and expect healing from the LORD?
Could anyone refuse mercy to another like himself,
can he seek pardon for his own sins?
If one who is but flesh cherishes wrath,
who will forgive his sins?
Remember your last days, set enmity aside;
remember death and decay, and cease from sin!
Think of the commandments, hate not your neighbor;
remember the Most High's covenant, and overlook faults.
The Word of the Lord

Psalm Response:

Psalm 103: The Lord Is Kind and Merciful

Refrain

The Lord is kind and mer-ci - ful, the
Lord is kind and mer - ci - ful.

Verses

1. Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all my being bless God's name;
bless the Lord, and forget not God's benefits.
2. God pardons all your iniquities, and comforts your sorrows,
redeems your life from destruction and crowns you with kindness.
3. Merciful, merciful, and gracious is our God;
slow to anger, abounding in kindness.

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Reading 2

[Romans 14:7-9](#)

Brothers and sisters:

None of us lives for oneself, and no one dies for oneself.

For if we live, we live for the Lord,

and if we die, we die for the Lord;

so then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's.

For this is why Christ died and came to life,

that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

Alleluia

Gospel Acclamation: Mass of Christ the Savior



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I give you a new commandment, says the Lord:

love one another as I have loved you.

Gospel

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: Matthew

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

[Matthew 18:21-35](#)

Peter approached Jesus and asked him,

“Lord, if my brother sins against me,

how often must I forgive?

As many as seven times?”

Jesus answered, “I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times.

That is why the kingdom of heaven may be likened to a king

who decided to settle accounts with his servants.

When he began the accounting,

a debtor was brought before him who owed him a huge amount.

Since he had no way of paying it back,

his master ordered him to be sold,
along with his wife, his children, and all his property,
in payment of the debt.

At that, the servant fell down, did him homage, and said,
'Be patient with me, and I will pay you back in full.'

Moved with compassion the master of that servant
let him go and forgave him the loan.

When that servant had left, he found one of his fellow servants
who owed him a much smaller amount.

He seized him and started to choke him, demanding,
'Pay back what you owe.'

Falling to his knees, his fellow servant begged him,
'Be patient with me, and I will pay you back.'

But he refused.

Instead, he had the fellow servant put in prison
until he paid back the debt.

Now when his fellow servants saw what had happened,
they were deeply disturbed, and went to their master
and reported the whole affair.

His master summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked servant!
I forgave you your entire debt because you begged me to.

Should you not have had pity on your fellow servant,
as I had pity on you?'

Then in anger his master handed him over to the torturers
until he should pay back the whole debt.

So will my heavenly Father do to you,
unless each of you forgives your brother from your heart."

The Gospel of the Lord

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:

PSALM 103: LOVING AND FORGIVING

Scott Soper

Refrain

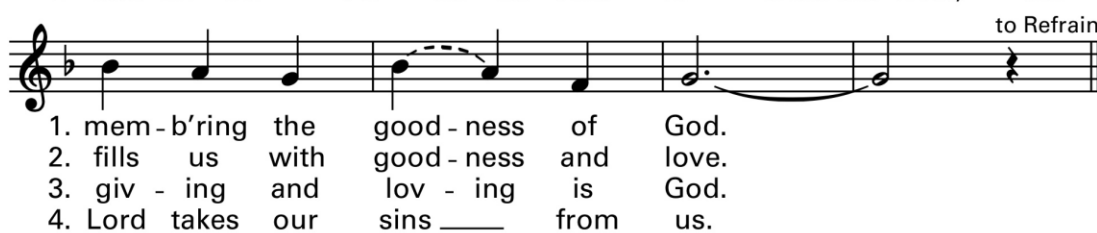


Lov-ing and for - giv-ing are you, O Lord; slow to an-ger,
rich in kind-ness, lov-ing and for - giv-ing are you.

Verses



1. All my be - ing, bless the Lord, — bless the ho - ly
2. God for-gives us all our sins, — heal-ing those who
3. Good and gra-cious is the Lord, — slow to an-ger,
4. As heav-en soars a - bove the earth, so great the love of



1. name of God. — All my be - ing, bless the Lord, re -
2. live in pain, — sav-ing us from fi - nal death. God
3. rich in love. — God re-mem- bers not our sins; for -
4. God for us. As far as east is from the west, the

to Refrain

1. mem-b'ring the good-ness of God.
2. fills us with good-ness and love.
3. giv-ing and lov-ing is God.
4. Lord takes our sins — from us.

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Invitation to Pray

Pray 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 Christ the Savior

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 -

Memorial Acclamation

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

Amen

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

Communion Rite

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

Invitation to Communion

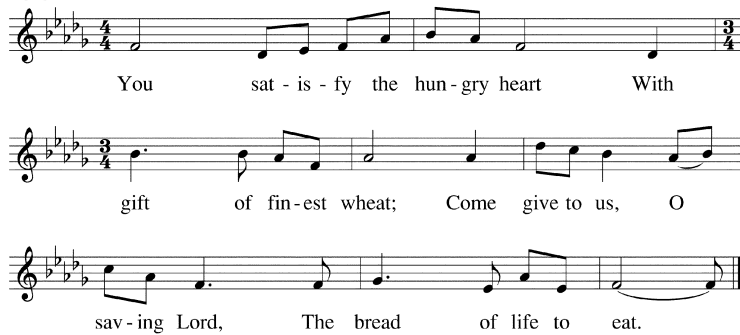
Behold the Lamb of God,
Behold him who takes away the sins of the world.
Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

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:

You Satisfy the Hungry Heart

Refrain



You sat - is - fy the hun - gry heart With
gift of fin - est wheat; Come give to us, O
sav - ing Lord, The bread of life to eat.

Verses



1. As when the shep - herd calls his sheep, They
2. With joy - ful lips we sing to you Our
3. Is not the cup we bless and share The
4. The mys - t'ry of your pres - ence, Lord, No
5. You give your - self to us, O Lord; Then

know and heed his voice; So when you call your
praise and grat - i - tude, That you should count us
blood of Christ out - poured? Do not one cup, one
mor - tal tongue can tell: Whom all the world can -
self - less let us be, To serve each oth - er

D.C.

fam - 'ly, Lord, We fol - low and re - joice.
wor - thy, Lord, To share this heav'n - ly food.
loaf, de - clare Our one - ness in the Lord?
not con - tain Comes in our hearts to dwell.
in your name In truth and char - i - ty.

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Post Communion Prayer

CONCLUDING RITES

Announcements

Final Blessing

Dismissal

Sending Song

LEAD ME, LORD

John D. Becker

Verses



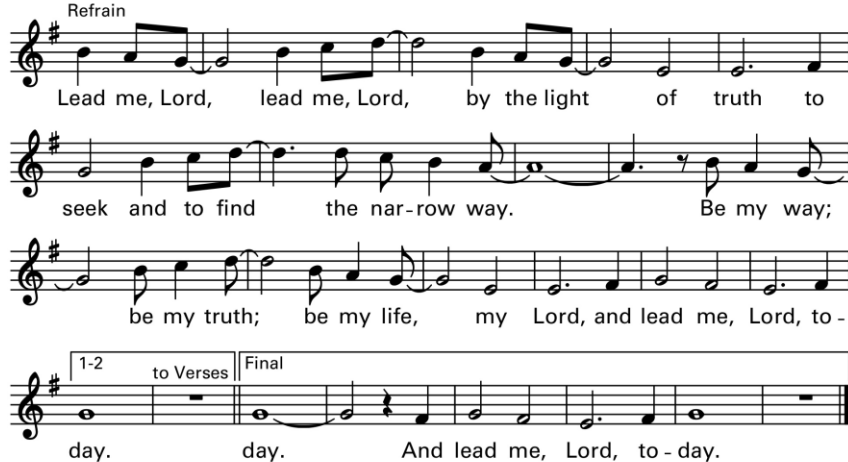
1. Bless - ed are the poor in spir - it, long - ing for their
2. Bless - ed are the mer - ci - ful, for mer - cy shall be
3. Blest are they who through their life-times sow the seeds of

1. Lord, for God's com - ing king - dom shall be theirs.
2. theirs, and the pure in heart shall see their God.
3. peace, all will call them chil - dren of the Lord.

1. Bless - ed are the sor - row - ing, for they shall be con -
2. Blest are they whose hun - ger on - ly ho - li - ness can
3. Blest are you, though per - se - cu - ted in your ho - ly

1. soled, and the meek shall come to rule the world.
2. fill, for I say they shall be sat - is - fied.
3. life, for in heav - en, great is your re - ward.

Refrain



Lead me, Lord, lead me, Lord, by the light of truth to
seek and to find the nar-row way. Be my way;
be my truth; be my life, my Lord, and lead me, Lord, to -
day. day. And lead me, Lord, to - day.

1-2 to Verses Final

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