



THE BASILICA OF
SAINT PETER

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THE ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF CHARLESTON

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



September 7th, 2025 at 5:30PM

“Whoever does not carry their own cross
and come after me cannot be my disciple.”

Luke 14:27

GATHERING

Take Up Your Cross

Gather, No. 801



1. "Take up your cross," the Sav - ior said, "If
2. Take up your cross; let not its weight Fill
3. Take up your cross, heed not the shame, And
4. Take up your cross, then, in his strength, And
5. Take up your cross and fol - low Christ, Nor



you would my dis - ci - ple be; Take up your cross with
 your weak spir - it with a - larm; His strength shall bear your
 let your fool - ish pride be still; The Lord for you ac -
 calm - ly ev - 'ry dan - ger brave: It guides you to a
 think till death to lay it down; For those who hum - bly



will - ing heart, And hum - bly fol - low af - ter me."
 spir - it up, And brace your heart, and nerve your arm.
 cept - ed death Up - on a cross on Cal - v'ry's hill.
 bet - ter home And leads to vic - t'ry o'er the grave.
 bear the cross One day will wear the glo - rious crown.

Text: Charles W. Everest, 1814–1877, alt.

Tune: ERHALT UNS HERR, LM; Klug's *Geistliche Lieder*, 1543; harm. by J. S. Bach, 1685–1750

GREETING

PENITENTIAL RITE

Confiteor

I confess to almighty God, and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, *All strike their breastbones once with their right hand* through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

KYRIE

Mass of Joy and Peace

Tony Alonso

Kyrie eleison, Christe eleison, Kyrie Eleison

GLORIA

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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. A - men.

1. 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.

2. 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.

3. 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.

Liturgy of the Word

FIRST READING

Wisdom 9:13-18

Who can know God's counsel, or who can conceive what the Lord intends? For the deliberations of mortals are timid, and unsure are our plans. For the corruptible body burdens the soul and the earthen shelter weighs down the mind that has many concerns. And scarce do we guess the things on earth, and what is within our grasp we find with difficulty; but when things are in heaven, who can search them out? Or who ever knew your counsel, except you had given wisdom and sent your holy spirit from on high? And thus were the paths of those on earth made straight.

The Word of the Lord **✠ Thanks be to God**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM 90

Setting by Stephen Pishner



In ev-ry age, O Lord, you have been our ref-uge.

SECOND READING

Philemon 9-10, 12-17

I, Paul, an old man, and now also a prisoner for Christ Jesus, urge you on behalf of my child Onesimus, whose father I have become in my imprisonment; I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. I should have liked to retain him for myself, so that he might serve me on your behalf in my imprisonment for the gospel, but I did not want to do anything without your consent, so that the good you do might not be forced but voluntary. Perhaps this is why he was away from you for a while, that you might have him back forever, no longer as a slave but more than a slave, a brother, beloved especially to me, but even more so to you, as a man and in the Lord. So if you regard me as a partner, welcome him as you would me.

The Word of the Lord **℟ Thanks be to God**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mass of Joy and Peace



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

Luke 14:25-33

Great crowds were traveling with Jesus, and he turned and addressed them, "If anyone comes to me without hating his father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple. Which of you wishing to construct a tower does not first sit down and calculate the cost to see if there is enough for its completion? Otherwise, after laying the foundation and finding himself unable to finish the work the onlookers should laugh at him and say, 'This one began to build but did not

have the resources to finish.’ Or what king marching into battle would not first sit down and decide whether with ten thousand troops he can successfully oppose another king advancing upon him with twenty thousand troops? But if not, while he is still far away, he will send a delegation to ask for peace terms. In the same way, anyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple.”

The Gospel of the Lord ✠ Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

HOMILY

PROFESSION OF FAITH

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



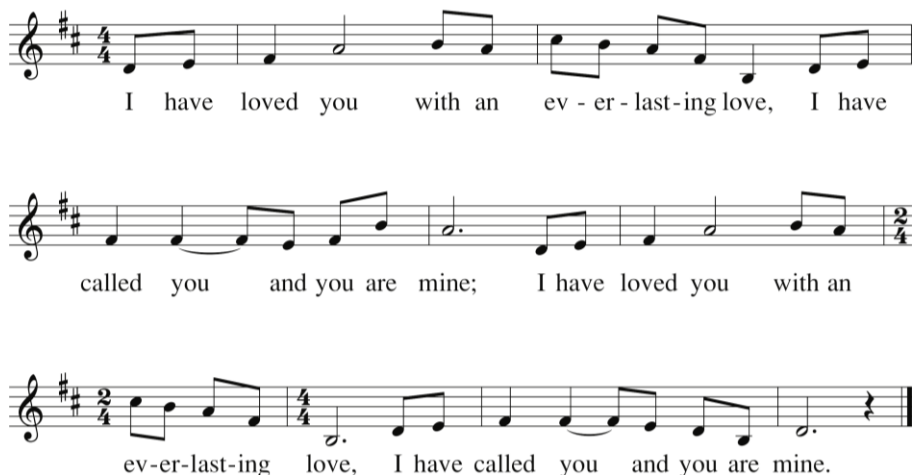
Liturgy of the Eucharist

OFFERTORY SONG

I Have Loved You

Gather, No. 588

Refrain



I have loved you with an ev - er - last-ing love, I have
called you and you are mine; I have loved you with an
ev-er-last-ing love, I have called you and you are mine.

Verses



1. Seek the face of the Lord and long for
2. Seek the face of the Lord and long for
3. Seek the face of the Lord and long for

him: He will bring you his light and his peace.
him: He will bring you his joy and his hope.
him: He will bring you his care and his love.

D.C.

Text: Jeremiah 31:3, Psalm 24:3; Michael Joncas, b.1951

Tune: Michael Joncas, b.1951

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Priest: Pray..... acceptable to the almighty Father.

People: **✠ 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.**

Priest:

The Lord be with you

Lift up your hearts.

Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

People:

✠ And with your spirit.

✠ We lift them up to the Lord.

✠ It is right and just.

HOLY

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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, ho - san - na in the

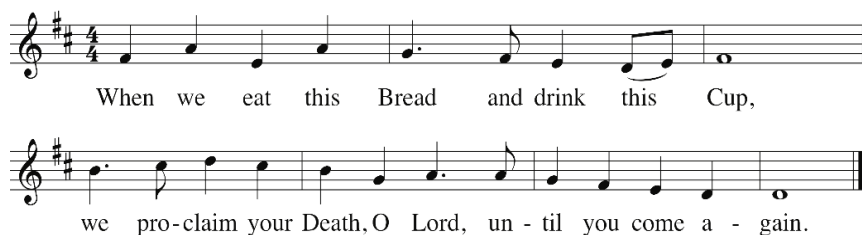
high - est. Bless - ed is he, bless - ed is he who

comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the

high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the

high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION *Mass of Joy and Peace* Tony Alonso



GREAT AMEN



THE LORD'S PRAYER

SIGN OF PEACE

LAMB OF GOD



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INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Priest: Behold.... of the Lamb.

✠ 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

In the Cross of Christ

Refrain

In the cross of Christ, our glo - ry, Christ, our sto - ry,
Christ, our song, Christ, our song.

Verses 1, 2

1. Let your mind and heart be one with Christ who and
2. He was pierced for our in - iq - ui - ties, and
emp - tied him - self, for us be - came a slave, ac -
crushed for our sins. He died to make us whole, and
D.C.
cept - ing death up - on the cross.
by his suf - f'ring we are healed.

Verses 3–5

3. Come, be - hold the cross of sac - ri - fice on which
4. May we nev - er boast of an - y - thing save the
5. Now in Christ, we who were a - li - ens have been
Je - sus died— the Sav - ior of us all— to
cross of Christ, by which we die to sin and
rec - on - ciled; as mem - bers of God's house, we
D.C.
save a lost and bro - ken world.
rise to life in Je - sus Christ.
live as God's own dwell - ing place.

Text: Philippians 2:5–8, Ephesians 2:12–13, Galatians 6:14; adapt. by Marty Haugen, b.1950

Tune: Marty Haugen, b.1950

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CONCLUDING RITES

✠ Thanks be to God

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.

SENDING FORTH

God Sends Us Forth

Gather, No. 759



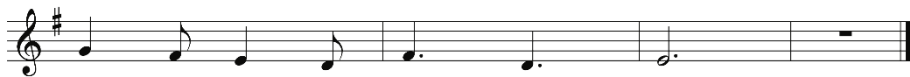
1. God sends us forth to love and serve,
2. Nour - ished by Christ, our Word and Bread,
3. Called to the ones the world ig - nores—
4. So, with the cross to lead the way,



Make known God's name and live God's word,
Burn - ing with love and Spir - it - led,
Hun - gry and thirst - y, weak and poor—
Let us go forth in peace to - day,



Mir - ror God's love, re - flect God's grace Till
Sent to em - brace a world in need, To
Let us bear Christ, who heals all pain And
And to the ends of earth make known The



all have seen the Sav - ior's face.
make God known in word and deed.
com - forts those bowed down by shame.
sav - ing love our God has shown.

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Tune: GAILHAC, LM: Tony E. Alonso, b.1980
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POSTLUDE

Randy Moore, *Piano*



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