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The Ascension of the Lord



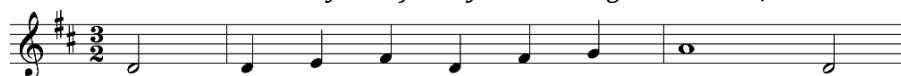
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*"As they were looking on, he was lifted up,
and a cloud took him from their sight."*

GATHERING

A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing

Gather, No. 545



1. A hymn of glo - ry let us sing! New
2. The ho - ly ap - os - tol - ic band Up -
3. To whom the shin - ing an - gels cry, "Why
4. O ris - en Christ, as - cend - ed Lord, All



hymns through-out the world shall ring: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -
on the Mount of Ol - ives stand. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -
stand and gaze up - on the sky?" Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -
praise to you let earth ac - cord: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -



lu - ia! Christ, by a road be - fore un - trod. As -
lu - ia! And with his faith - ful fol - l'wers see Their
lu - ia! "This is the Sav - ior!" Thus they say, "This
lu - ia! You are, while end - less a - ges run, With



cends un - to the throne of God.
Lord as - cend in maj - es - ty. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -
is his glo - rious tri - umph day!"
Fa - ther and with Spir - it one.



lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Text: *Hymnus canamus gloria*; Venerable Bede, 673-735; tr. *Lutheran Book of Worship*, © 1978

Tune: LASST UNS ERFREUEN, LM with alleluias; *Geistliche Kirchengesänge*, Cologne, 1623; harm. by Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872-1958

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

Mass of Joy and Peace

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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. *To repeat* *Last time*
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

Acts of the Apostles 1:1-11

In the first book, Theophilus, I dealt with all that Jesus did and taught until the day he was taken up, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. He presented himself alive to them by many proofs after he had suffered, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. While meeting with them, he enjoined them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for “the promise of the Father about which you have heard me speak; for John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.” When they had gathered together they asked him, “Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?” He answered them, “It is not for you to know the times or seasons that the Father has established by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, throughout Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” When he had said this, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him from their sight. While they were looking intently at the sky as he was going, suddenly two men dressed in white garments stood beside them. They said, “Men of Galilee, why are you standing there looking at the sky? This Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven will return in the same way as you have seen him going into heaven.”

The Word of the Lord

℟️ Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM 47

Setting by Paul Tate

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

SECOND READING

Ephesians 1:17-23

Brothers and sisters: May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, give you a Spirit of wisdom and revelation resulting in knowledge of him. May the eyes of your hearts be enlightened, that you may know what is the hope that belongs to his call, what are the riches of glory in his inheritance among the holy ones, and what is the surpassing greatness of his power for us who believe, in accord with the exercise of his great might, which he worked in Christ, raising him from the dead and seating him at his right hand in the heavens, far above every principality, authority, power, and dominion, and every name that is named not only in this age but also in the one to come. And he put all things beneath his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church, which is his body, the fullness of the one who fills all things in every way.

The Word of the Lord

✠ **Thanks be to God**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

O filii e filiæ

Refrain



GOSPEL

Luke 24:46-53

Jesus said to his disciples: "Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day and that repentance, for the forgiveness of sins, would be preached in his name to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And behold I am sending the promise of my Father upon you; but stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high." Then he led them out as far as Bethany, raised his hands, and blessed them. As he blessed them, he parted from them and was taken up to heaven. They did him homage and then returned to Jerusalem with great joy, and they were continually in the temple praising God.

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

PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR

Christ Has No Body Now but Yours

Refrain

Christ has no bod - y now but yours, no hands but

yours. Here on this earth yours is the work, to

serve with the joy of com - pas - sion.

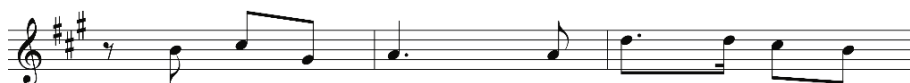
Verses



1. No hands but yours to heal the wound - ed world,
2. No eyes but yours to see as Christ would see,
3. No feet but yours to jour - ney with the poor,
4. Through ev - 'ry gift, give back to those in need:



no hands but yours to soothe all its suf - f'ring,
to find the lost, to gaze with com - pas - sion;
to walk this world with mer - cy and jus - tice.
As Christ has blessed, so now be his bless - ing,



no touch but yours to bind the bro - ken
no eyes but yours to glimpse the ho - ly
Yours are the steps to build a last - ing
with ev - 'ry gift a ben - e - dic - tion



hope of the peo - ple of God.
joy of the cit - y of God.
peace for the chil - dren of God.
be to the peo - ple of God.

Text: St. Teresa of Ávila, 1515–1582, adapt. by Steven C. Warner, b.1954

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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*Mass of Joy and Peace*

Tony Alonso

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

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,

we pro-claim your Death, O Lord, un - til you come a - gain.

GREAT AMEN

A - men, a - men, a - men, a -

men. A - men, a - men, a - men, a - men.

LAMB OF GOD

Cantor: *Assembly:*

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

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

Be Not Afraid

Gather, No. 683

Verse 1

1. You shall cross the bar-ren des-ert, but you shall not die of thirst. You shall wan-der far in safe-ty though you do not know the way. You shall speak your words in for-eign lands and all will un-der-stand. You shall see the face of God and live.

✠ Refrain

Be not a-fraid. I go be-fore you al-ways. Come, fol-low me, and I will give you rest.

Verse 2



2. If you pass through rag-ing wa-ters in the
sea, you shall not drown. If you walk a-mid the burn-ing flames,
you shall not be harmed. If you stand be-fore the
pow'r of hell and death is at your side,
know that I am with you through it all.

Verse 3



3. Bless-ed are your poor, for the king-dom shall be
theirs. Blest are you that weep and mourn, for
one day you shall laugh. And if wick-ed tongues in -
sult and hate you all be-cause of me,
bless-ed, bless-ed are you! **D.S.**

Text: Isaiah 43:2-3, Luke 6:20ff; Bob Dufford, SJ, b.1943

Tune: Bob Dufford, SJ, b.1943; acc. by Theophane Hytrek, OSF, 1915-1992
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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

Go To the World

Gather, No. 546



1. Go to the world! Go in - to all the
 2. Go to the world! Go in - to ev - 'ry
 3. Go to the world! Go strug - gle, bless and
 4. Go to the world! Go as the ones I

earth. place. pray. send, Go The For preach Go I nights live the the of am cross Word tears with where of give you

Christ God's way till re - news re - deem to joy - ous the age life's in ing grace. worth, day. shall end, bap - tiz - ing Go seek God's As ser - vant the When all the

as pres - ence the sign of our re - birth. Church, you fol - low each time and space. hosts of glo - ry cry Christ's own way. Al - "A - men!"

le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

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 Tune: SINE NOMINE, 10 10 10 with alleluias; Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872–1958

POSTLUDE

Randy Moore, *piano*



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