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PRELUDE *All People That on Earth Do Dwell*

J. Pachelbel

Prayer Before Holy Mass (please rise)

My dear God and loving Father, as I participate in this Holy Mass, may Jesus fill me with His holy grace when I open my heart to Him in sincere prayer. May the sacraments I will receive, the prayers that I will say and the hymns that I will sing bring me closer to Jesus and help me to be more like Him in all that I say and do. May the Holy Communion that I will receive give me strength, so that I may share faith, hope and love with the people I will meet. Amen.

OPENING HYMN *All People That on Earth Do Dwell*

All people that on earth do dwell,
Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice.
Him serve with fear, His praise forth tell;
Come ye before Him and rejoice.

O enter then His gates with praise;
Approach with joy His courts unto;
Praise, laud, and bless His Name always,
For it is seemly so to do.

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INTROIT

Psalm 65:2-3, 4-5

C: To You we owe our hymn of praise, O God on Zion; To You our vows must be fulfilled, You Who hear our prayers. To You all flesh must come with its burden of wicked deeds. **R: We are overcome by our sins; only You can pardon them. Happy the chosen ones You bring to dwell in Your courts. May we be filled with the good things of Your house, the blessings of Your holy temple!** C: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. **R: As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

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OPENING PRAYER

Almighty Father, may we not presume to be righteous in Your sight. Grant us the grace of humility that we may serve You faithfully in our lives and at long last enter through the narrow gate into Your kingdom. We ask this through our Lord, Jesus Christ, Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **R. Amen.**

~ LITURGY OF THE WORD ~

FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 66:18-21

Thus says the Lord: I know their works and their thoughts, and I come to gather nations of every language; they shall come and see my glory. I will set a sign among them; from them I will send fugitives to the nations: to Tarshish, Put, and Lud, Mosoch, Tubal, and Javan, to the distant coastlands that have never heard of my fame, or seen my glory; and they shall proclaim my glory among the nations. They shall bring all your brothers and sisters from all the nations as an offering to the Lord, on horses and in chariots, in carts, upon mules and dromedaries, to Jerusalem, my holy mountain, says the Lord, just as the Israelites bring their offering to the house of the Lord in clean vessels. Some of these I will take as priests and Levites, says the Lord.

This is the Word of the Lord. **R. Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL - *Traditional Mass*

Psalm 117:1-2

C: Praise the Lord, all you nations! Give glory, all you peoples! **R: The Lord's love for us is strong; the Lord is faithful forever. Hallelujah!**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM - *Contemporary*

Psalm 117:1, 2

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R. Go out to all the world and tell the Good News.

R. (Mk 16:15) Go out to all the world and tell the Good News.

Praise the LORD, all you nations;
glorify him, all you peoples!

R. Go out to all the world and tell the Good News.

For steadfast is his kindness toward us,
and the fidelity of the LORD endures forever.

R. Go out to all the world and tell the Good News.

SECOND LESSON

Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13

Brothers and sisters: You have forgotten the exhortations addressed to you as children: “My son, do not disdain the discipline of the Lord or lose heart when reproved by him; for whom the Lord loves, he disciplines; he scourges every son he acknowledges.”

Endure your trials as “discipline”; God treats you as sons. For what “son” is there whom his father does not discipline? At the time, all discipline seems a cause not for joy but for pain, yet later it brings the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who are trained by it. So strengthen your drooping hands and your weak knees. Make straight paths for your feet, that what is lame may not be disjointed but healed.

This is the Word of the Lord. **R. Thanks be to God.**

ALLELUIA

John 10:9a

Elfman, based on Mass 16

Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!

C: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. **R: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.** C: I am the gate. Whoever enters through Me will be saved. **R: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

GOSPEL

Luke 13:22-30

Jesus passed through towns and villages, teaching as he went and making his way to Jerusalem. Someone asked him, “Lord, will only a few people be saved?” He answered them, “Strive to enter through the narrow gate, for many, I tell you, will attempt to enter but will not be strong enough. After the master of the house has arisen and locked the door, then will you stand outside knocking and saying, ‘Lord, open the door for us.’ He will say to you in reply, ‘I do not know where you are from.’ And you will say, ‘We ate and drank in your company and you taught in our streets.’”

“Then he will say to you, ‘I do not know where you are from. Depart from me, all you evildoers!’ And there will be wailing and grinding of teeth when you see Abraham, Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God and you yourselves cast out. And people will come from the east and the west and from the north and the south and will recline at table in the kingdom of God. For behold, some are last who will be first, and some are first who will be last.”

This is the gospel of the Lord. **R. Praise be to You, Lord Jesus Christ.**

HYMN TO THE HOLY SPIRIT *Gracious Spirit, Hear Our Pleading*

Cantor: Gracious Spirit, hear our pleading: fashion us all anew.

It's Your leading that we're needing; help us to follow You.

Refrain

(All):

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Come, come, Come, Ho - ly Spir - it, come!

Cantor: Guide our thinking and our speaking done in Your holy Name.

Motivate all in their seeking, freeing from guilt and shame. R

HOMILY

PROFESSION OF FAITH

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL - *Contemporary Mass*

R: Lord hear our prayer.

~ LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST ~

OFFERTORY VERSE

Jeremiah 3:22b

Here we are, we now come to You because You are the Lord, our God.

OFFERTORY HYMN *Here I Am, Lord*

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“I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard My people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin, My hand will save.
I, Who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.
I will send My light to them. Whom shall I send?”

Refrain: Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard You calling in the night.

I will go, Lord, if You lead me. I will hold Your people in my heart.

“I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne My people’s pain.

I have wept for love of them. They turn away.

I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone.

I will speak My word to them. Whom shall I send?” *Refrain*

“I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.

I have set a feast for them. My hand will save.

Finest Bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied.

I will give My life to them. Whom shall I send?” *Refrain*

Ernie Pappa, guitar (9:30)

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Receive this oblation, Father, and grant that Your Church throughout the world, together with the Church in heaven, may offer up one sacrifice of thanksgiving to the glory of Your name. We ask this through our Lord, Jesus Christ, Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **R. Amen.**

PREFACE

SANCTUS

Englert

~ CANON ~

THE LORDS PRAYER

AGNUS DEI

Alstott

POST-COMMUNION HYMN 155 *Hallowed Be Forever* (1-Polish; Vs as needed- English)

Bądźże pozdrowiona, Hostyo żywa,
W której Jezus Chrystus Bóstwo ukrywa.
Witaj Jezu, Synu Maryi,
Tyś jest Bóg prawdziwy w świętej Hostyi.

Hallowed be forever, Living Host Divine,
In which Christ our Savior hidden is sublime.
Hail, Thou Jesus, Son of Mary.
Thou art God Eternal, wondrous mystery!

Hallowed be forever, Thou Angelic Bread,
Sacrament Most Holy, by which we are fed.
Hail, Thou Jesus, Son of Mary.
Thou art God Eternal, wondrous mystery!

Hallowed be forever, Shepherd Crucified,
for us Thou didst suffer, for us Thou hast died.
Hail, Thou Jesus, Son of Mary.
Thou art God Eternal, wondrous mystery!

Hallowed be forever, ris'n in victory,
in this bread most holy, we would worship Thee.
Hail, Thou Jesus, Son of Mary.
Thou art God Eternal, wondrous mystery!

COMMUNION VERSE

Isaiah 65:17

Lo, I am about to create new heavens and a new earth; the things of the past shall not be remembered or come to mind.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Almighty, eternal God, may we, who have been fed at the Banquet of Life, serve You and others before ourselves. Therefore, advancing in perfection from day to day on our journey to Your kingdom. We ask this through our Lord, Jesus Christ, Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **R. Amen.**

FINAL BLESSING (please kneel)

DISMISSAL

C: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord! **R: Thanks be to God.**

Prayer After Holy Mass (please remain kneeling)

I am grateful to You, Lord, that I was able to come to church and participate in the Holy Sacrifice of Mass. I thank You for receiving Your gracious pardon, Your instruction and teaching through Your Word, and Your Body and Blood in Holy Communion. May Your sacraments continue to strengthen and help me to be faithful to You and Your Church. Help me to face all the challenges of life on my journey to Your heavenly kingdom. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN 227 *Holy God, We Praise Thy Name* (1-3)

Holy God, we praise Thy Name; Lord of all, we bow before Thee.
All on earth Thy scepter claim; All in heav'n above adore Thee.
(Boundless is Thy vast domain, everlasting is Thy reign.)

Hark! The glad celestial hymn angel choirs above are raising;
Cherubim and seraphim, In unceasing chorus praising,
(Fill the heav'ns with sweet accord: Holy! Holy! Holy Lord!)

Lo, th'apostles' holy train Join Thy sacred Name to hallow;
Prophets swell the glad refrain, And the white-robed martyrs follow,
(And from morn till set of sun, Through the Church the song goes on.)

POSTLUDE *Instrumental Dialogue*

A. Banchieri