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## March 17, 2023 - Holy Eucharist - *Book of Alternative Services* 5th Lent

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### Welcome

### The Beatitudes

Matthew 5.3–12

### Notices -

Blessed are the poor in spirit, \*  
**for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.**

### Opening Sentence

Anyone who serves me must follow me,  
 says the Lord,  
 and where I am, there shall my servant be  
 also. John 12.26

Blessed are those who mourn, \*  
**for they shall be comforted.**

Blessed are the gentle, \*  
**for they shall inherit the earth.**

### Opening Hymn #465 (CP)

Here in this place new light is streaming

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for what  
 is right, \*  
**for they shall be satisfied.**

### The Gathering of the Community

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love  
 of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be  
 with you all.

Blessed are the merciful, \*  
**for mercy shall be shown to them.**

Blessed are the pure in heart, \*  
**for they shall see God.**

### **And also with you**

Almighty God,  
**to you all hearts are open,**  
**all desires known,**  
**and from you no secrets are hidden.**  
**Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts**  
**by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,**  
**that we may perfectly love you,**  
**and worthily magnify your holy name;**  
**through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Blessed are the peacemakers, \*  
**for they shall be called children of God.**

Blessed are those who are persecuted in the  
 cause of right, \*  
**for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.**

Blessed are you when others revile you and  
 persecute you \*  
**and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely**  
**for my sake.**

Rejoice and be glad, \*  
**for your reward is great in heaven**

The Collect of the Day

Let us pray.

Most merciful God,  
 by the death and resurrection  
 of your Son Jesus Christ,  
 you created humanity anew.  
 May the power of his victorious cross  
 transform those who turn in faith  
 to him who lives and reigns with you  
 and the Holy Spirit,  
 one God, now and for ever.. **Amen.**

1st Reading - Jeremiah 31:31-34

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

**Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm -Psalm 51:1-12

51:1 Have mercy on me, O God, according to  
 your steadfast love; according to your abundant  
 mercy blot out my transgressions.

**51:2 Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,  
 and cleanse me from my sin.**

51:3 For I know my transgressions, and my sin is  
 ever before me.

**51:4 Against you, you alone, have I sinned,  
 and done what is evil in your sight, so that  
 you are justified in your sentence and  
 blameless when you pass judgment.**

51:5 Indeed, I was born guilty, a sinner when my  
 mother conceived me.

**51:6 You desire truth in the inward being;  
 therefore teach me wisdom in my secret  
 heart.**

51:7 Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean;  
 wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

**51:8 Let me hear joy and gladness; let the  
 bones that you have crushed rejoice.**

51:9 Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all  
 my iniquities.

**51:10 Create in me a clean heart, O God, and  
 put a new and right spirit within me.**

51:11 Do not cast me away from your presence,  
 and do not take your holy spirit from me.

**51:12 Restore to me the joy of your salvation,  
 and sustain in me a willing spirit.**

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all  
 desires known, and from you no secrets are  
 hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the  
 inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may  
 perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy  
 name; through Christ our Lord.**Amen**

2nd Reading -Hebrews 5:5-10

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

**Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn -#605 (CP)

have mercy, lord, on us

The Gospel - John 12:20-33

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
 According to ...

**Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ**

The Gospel of Christ

## **Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**

The Reflection -

Affirmation of Faith -

The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God,  
the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our  
Lord.  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy  
Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again  
to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayers for the Community

*Additional intercessions, petitions and  
thanksgivings may be offered in silence or aloud.*

*Among these concerns it is appropriate to  
remember • the persecuted • the oppressed  
peoples of the world; • all who are lonely; • all  
who are near to death and • all who are facing  
loss.*

Sisters and brothers,  
as Jesus, in the days before his passion,  
offered prayers and supplications with loud cries  
and tears,  
let us pray for those who suffer, those who are in  
need,  
and those who seek reconciliation.

With confidence and trust let us pray to the Lord,  
saying,  
“Lord, have mercy.”

For the one holy catholic and apostolic Church  
throughout the  
world, we pray to you, Lord.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

For the mission of the Church, that in faithful  
witness it may  
preach the gospel to the ends of the earth, we  
pray to you,  
Lord.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

For those preparing for baptism and for their  
teachers and  
sponsors, we pray to you, Lord.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

For peace in the world, that a spirit of respect  
and reconciliation  
may grow among nations and peoples, we pray  
to you, Lord.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all  
who suffer; for  
refugees, prisoners, and all in danger; that they  
may be  
relieved and protected, we pray to you, Lord.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

For all whom we have injured or offended, we  
pray to you,  
Lord.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

For grace to amend our lives and to further the  
reign of God,  
we pray to you, Lord.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

God of compassion,  
you know our faults and yet you promised to  
forgive.  
Keep us in your presence and give us your  
wisdom.  
Open our hearts to gladness,  
call dry bones to dance,  
and restore to us the joy of your salvation. **Amen.**

Confession & Absolution

Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence is kept.

Merciful Creator God,

**You have searched us out and known us;  
the hopes we hold and the sins that cling to  
us.**

**The hurts we absorb and ferment;  
the tears we both cause and shed.**

**We stand before you: all that we have been  
and all that we are,  
knowing that only in You are we truly known  
as the ones You would have us be.  
Forgive us and guide us to face ourselves,  
and respect each other with dignity,  
that we might welcome with You  
the gifts and challenges that Your new  
creation brings,  
through Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns  
with You  
and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever.  
Amen.**

May God our Great Creator have mercy upon  
you, and  
cleanse your hearts of all stain from sin and  
brokenness,  
that you may walk with Jesus along the good  
road, His holy way.  
Amen.

The Peace -

The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
**And also with you.**

Offertory Hymn #176 (CP)

by the Holy Spirit sent

Doxology - 666 (CP)

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow  
Praise God all creatures here below  
Praise God above ye Heavenly Host  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

The Prayer Over the Gifts -

Eternal God, your only Son suffered death upon  
the cross to bring the world salvation. Accept the  
praise and thanksgiving we offer you this day, in  
the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

Eucharistic Prayer 3 -

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Blessed are you, gracious God,  
creator of heaven and earth,  
because you bid your faithful people  
to cleanse their hearts  
and to prepare with joy for the paschal feast;  
that reborn through the waters of baptism  
and renewed in the eucharistic mystery,  
we may be more fervent in prayer  
and more generous in the works of love.

Therefore we raise our voices to you in praise  
to proclaim the glory of your name

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
heaven and earth of your glory are full.  
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the  
Lord.**

*Repeat*

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
heaven and earth of your glory are full.  
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.**

**Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.**

We give thanks to you, Lord our God,

for the goodness and love  
 you have made known to us in creation;  
 in calling Israel to be your people;  
 in your Word spoken through the prophets;  
 and above all in the Word made flesh,  
 Jesus your Son.

For in these last days you sent him  
 to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
 to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world.  
 In him, you have delivered us from evil,  
 and made us worthy to stand before you.

In him, you have brought us  
 out of error into truth,  
 out of sin into righteousness,  
 out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over  
 to suffering and death

a death he freely accepted,  
 our Lord Jesus Christ took bread;  
 and when he had given thanks to you,  
 he broke it, and gave it to his disciples,  
 and said, "Take, eat:  
 this is my body which is given for you.  
 Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine;  
 and when he had given thanks,  
 he gave it to them,  
 and said, "Drink this, all of you:  
 this is my blood of the new covenant,  
 which is shed for you and for many  
 for the forgiveness of sins.  
 Whenever you drink it,  
 do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, Father, according to his command,

**we remember his death,  
 we proclaim his resurrection,  
 we await his coming in glory;**

and we offer our sacrifice  
 of praise and thanksgiving  
 to you, Lord of all;  
 presenting to you, from your creation,

this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God,  
 to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts,  
 that they may be the sacrament  
 of the body of Christ  
 and his blood of the new covenant.  
 Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice,  
 that we, made acceptable in him,  
 may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit

In the fullness of time,  
 reconcile all things in Christ,  
 and make them new,  
 and bring us to that city of light  
 where you dwell with all your sons and  
 daughters;

through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
 the firstborn of all creation,  
 the head of the Church,  
 and the author of our salvation;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom,  
 in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
 all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father,  
 now and for ever

**Amen.**

#### The Lord's Prayer

And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us,  
 we are bold to say,

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
 hallowed be thy name,  
 thy kingdom come,  
 thy will be done,  
 on earth as it is in heaven.  
 Give us this day our daily bread.  
 And forgive us our trespasses,  
 as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
 And lead us not into temptation,  
 but deliver us from evil.  
 For thine is the kingdom,  
 the power, and the glory,**

**for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

We break this bread,

**Communion in Christ's body once broken.**

Let your Church be the wheat  
which bears its fruit in dying.

**If we have died with him,  
we shall live with him;  
if we hold firm,  
we shall reign with him.**

The Communion

The Gifts of God for the People of God  
**Thanks be to God**

Hymn - Lamb of God

**Lamb of God You Take Away The Sins Of the  
World  
Have Mercy on Us**

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World  
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World**

**Grant Us Peace  
Grant Us Peace**

Prayer after Communion

Merciful God, you have called us to your table  
and fed us with the bread of life. Draw us and all  
people to your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ  
**Amen.**

The Benediction -

The Lord bless and keep you;  
The Lord make his face to shine  
upon you and be gracious to you;  
The Lord lift up the light  
of his countenance upon you, and give you  
peace.

And the blessing of the Father, the Son and the  
Holy Spirit  
Be with you, uphold and strengthen you, grant  
you favour in  
all that you do now and always. **Amen**

Doxology

Glory to God,  
**whose power, working in us,  
can do infinitely more  
than we can ask or imagine.**  
**Glory to God from generation to generation,  
in the Church and in Christ Jesus,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

Sunday School

Closing Hymn #500 (CP)

sister, let me be your servant

Dismissal -

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us for one concern or the other, we are grateful  
for your gifts and presence. Thank you for your  
generous donations and giving. We pray that the  
risen Lord bless and multiply you in all you do.

Go Forth into the world rejoicing in the power of  
the Holy Spirit.  
And be what you are, the church in the World.  
**Thanks be to God. Amen.**

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