

Prayer of Spiritual Communion

We are the Body of Christ, united in the Spirit.
We know Christ's presence in the Eucharist, the Word,
the people of God, and all of creation.
Sharing Communion physically or through virtual gathering
unites our hearts and minds that all may be one.

Prayer after Communion

Blessing & Dismissal



Go in the peace of Christ, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.
Thanks be to God, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

Closing Hymn

O For A World



1. O for a world where ev - ery - one re -
2. O for a world where goods are shared and
3. We wel - come one world fam - i - ly and
4. O for a world pre - par - ing for God's



spects each oth - er's ways, Where love is lived and
mis - er - y re - lieved, Where truth is spo - ken,
strug - gle with each choice that o - pens us to
glo - rious reign of peace, Where time and tears will



all is done with jus - tice and with praise.
chil - dren spared, e - qual - i - ty a - chieved.
u - ni - ty and gives our vi - sion voice.
be no more, and all but love will cease.

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Recessional

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FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

PLURALISM SUNDAY

May 2, 2021



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*You are invited to have a candle and bowl of water
for today's liturgy.*

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*Those attending worship in person at the monastery,
are reminded that only the cantor will sing,
and to sit with appropriate 6 foot distance from those around you.*

Lighting of the Candles

May the light of Christ, rising in glory
dispel the darkness of our hearts and minds.

Gathering Hymn

Creator of the Intertwined



1. Cre - a - tor of the in - ter - twined, you
2. The song of peace, best sung by all, strength
3. In e - vil's wake we all are hurt; when
4. Teach us to cher - ish what is strange and



made each soul u - nique: each one with ears to
born of u - ni - ty. In har - mo - ny we
pricked, all hu - mans bleed. With com - mon wounds and
so the rich - er be, to lis - ten with our



hear faith's call, each one with voice to speak.
cel - e - brate your gift: di - ver - si - ty.
shared de - spair, we seek the balm we need.
hearts and speak with lov - ing hon - es - ty.



Each wor - ships where the call is heard in
Can we not sing each oth - er's songs? Speak
We do not ask be - fore we reach to
From dif - f'rent sourc - es com - fort comes, each



for - est, tem - ple, dome, on moun - tain - top, in
un - fa - mil - iar prayer? Re - joic - ing in the
of - fer our em - brace, we do not ask, "How
seeks for the di - vine: your voice speaks man - y



up - per room— the soul must find its home.
boun - ty of the dif - f'ren - ces we share?
do you pray?" We reach with arms of grace.
lan - guag - es, just one of them is mine.

The Prayer of Jesus

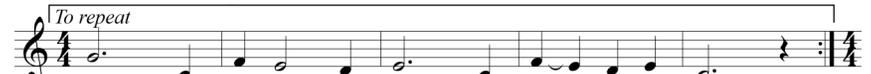
**Holy One, our only Home, blessed be your name.
May your day dawn, your will be done, here, as in heaven.
Feed us today, and forgive us as we forgive each other.
Do not forsake us at the test, but deliver us from evil.
For the glory, the power, and the mercy are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

Breaking of the Bread

ALL sing together:



1. Lamb of God,
2. Bread of life, you take a - way the sin of the
3. Sav - ing cup,
4. Lamb of God,



To repeat
world: have mer - cy on us, have mer - cy on us.



Last time
world: grant us your peace, grant us your peace.

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Presider The bread which we break,
is it not communion in the body of Christ?
The cup of blessing which we share,
is it not communion in the blood of Christ?

All So all of us are one body,
all who share the one bread and drink from the cup.

Communion Rite

Reception of Communion

Our Communion bread is gluten-free. To receive the Communion Bread, come to the two stations behind the altar, keeping appropriate distance from others.

Please use the hand sanitizer before approaching the Communion minister.

Use two cupped hands to receive the bread. Step to the side to partake of the bread or consume when you return to your place.

A time of silent reflection follows our sharing of Communion.

When Jesus gave himself into your loving hands,
 he breathed forth the Spirit on all the world.
 Breathe now that same Spirit on us and on our table,
 making us into the Body of Christ.

**As we gather in the joy of the resurrection,
 we pray for the gift of your Spirit.
 Descend upon us with the fire of your anointing,
 that all the world might be renewed in everlasting life.**

On the night before Jesus met with death,
 he came to table with those he loved.
 He took bread and praised you, God of all creation;
 he broke the bread among his disciples and said:
 “Take this, all of you, and eat it:
 this is my body which will be given up for you.”

When supper was ended, he poured a final cup of wine
 and blessed you, God of all creation.
 He passed the cup among his disciples and said:
 “Take this, all of you, and drink from it: this is the cup of my blood,
 the blood of a new and everlasting covenant.
 It will be shed for you and for all so that sin may be forgiven.
 Do this in memory of me.”
 Let us proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Gathered from every time and place, we bring to you the needs of all.
 Pour out your Spirit of life upon our world.
 Grant us the fullness of your lasting peace.

**We pray for people everywhere who yearn for life and peace.
 We pray for those who lead us in government and in faith.
 We pray for reverence and care for the earth and all its creatures.
 We pray for those who search for meaning in their lives.
 We pray for the sick and the dying.
 We lift up to you all our beloved dead.**

O Fire of Eternal Light, receive our table prayer of praise.
 Gathered in the brilliance of this feast,
 with unfettered joy we sing your victory!

Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ..... forever and ever.

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

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Sprinkling Rite

Those joining us from home are invited to bless themselves and each other with water.

Opening Prayer

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading

Acts 8:26-40

Following each reading:

Reader The Word of Salvation
 All Thanks be to God

*A time of silent reflection follows each reading
 as we practice the Benedictine value of listening.*

Psalm 22

I will praise you, God, in the as-sembly of your peo-ple.

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Second Reading

1 John 4:7-21

Gospel Acclamation

Honduran Alleluia

¡Al-le - lu-ya, a-le-lu - ya! ¡Al-le - lu-ya, a-le-lu - ya! ¡A-le-
 lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya! ¡El Se - ñor re - su - ci - tó!

Traditional Honduran melody

Gospel

John 15:1-8

Before the Gospel,

Reader A reading from the holy Gospel according to John
 All **Glory to you, O Christ**

Following the Gospel,

Reader The holy Gospel
 All **Praise to you, O Jesus Christ**

Homily

Interfaith Prayer for Pluralism Sunday

Leader Holy Wisdom, on this Pluralism Sunday we celebrate religious diversity in our multi-faith world. We believe these differences enrich us all, and do not claim that our religion is superior to others. Seeking your guidance in our efforts to work together for peace, we make this prayer of commitment. Gracious Maker of us all, we commit ourselves to giving mutual respect to all people—women, men and children of all races, cultures and religions in all nations.

All We commit ourselves to celebrating our spiritual, religious, cultural, and racial diversity and to making more opportunities for greater understanding.

Leader We commit ourselves to creating dialogue, so that there will be an increase of trust and cooperation among individuals, among communities and among nations.

All We commit ourselves to working for justice and freedom for all people, so that there can be true peace in our world.

Leader We commit ourselves to forgiving one another for past and present prejudices and injustices.

All We commit ourselves to supporting one another in our common efforts to overcome all forms of discrimination, hatred, greed, and violence.

Leader We commit ourselves to taking the side of the poor and the oppressed, to speaking out for those who have no voice, and to working effectively to change these conditions.

All We commit ourselves to promoting friendship and solidarity among people, for we are convinced that increased understanding of one another will bring peace and justice.
This prayer of commitment we bring to you, O Loving Creator. Amen.

General Intercessions *Response:* Risen Savior, hear our prayer.

Sign of Peace

Remaining at your place, greet one another with a bow or other gesture as a sign of God's peace.

Presentation of the Gifts

*A basket is available on the table to receive your donations.
Thank you for your generosity.
The gifts of bread, wine and our offering are brought to the altar.*

Liturgy of the Eucharist Eucharistic Prayer III for Easter

All join in proclaiming the Eucharist Prayer. The Assembly parts are in bold.

Presider: May the Holy One be with you.
All: And also with you.
Presider: Lift up your hearts.
All: We lift them up to our God.
Presider: Let us give thanks to the God of all.
All: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

All praise and thanks be yours, O God of life, through Jesus Christ, whose victory has become an eternal dawn and has brought new life to all people.

Bursting through the darkness of evil and despair, you swept away the empty power of death and raised your beloved above the heights, making Jesus the eternal Christ of all.

**On this day every creature steps in joy.
On this day every bruise gives way to blessing.
On this day every angel and ancient joins our song.
Hosanna for the victory of the cross!**

Therefore, O loving God, we give you praise, and we raise our song with all the hosts of heaven for the victory of Christ this day over death, and the bright promise of life that never ends:

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho - ly One, God of pow-er, God of might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na in the high-est.
Blest is the one who comes in the name of our God. Ho - san - na
in the high-est, ho - san - na in the high-est.