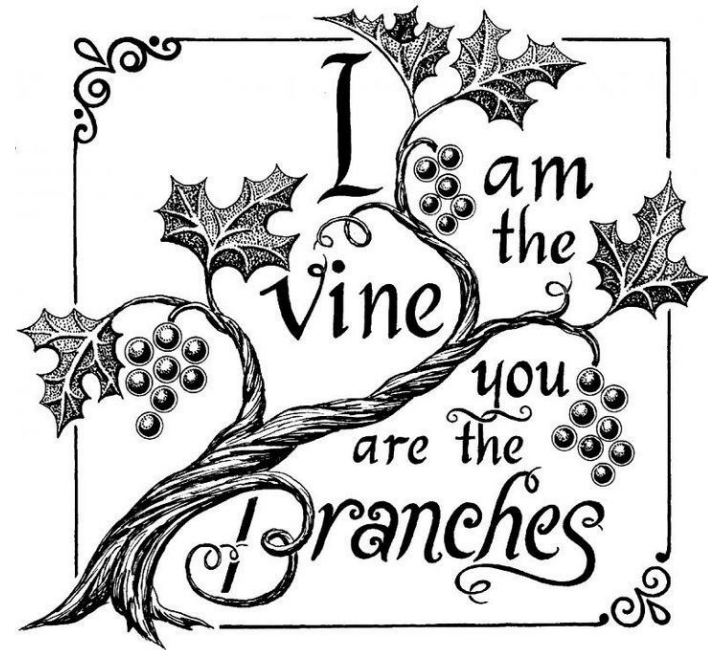


FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 28, 2024



Holy Wisdom Monastery

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***Please join us for Coffee following Sunday Assembly in the
Dining Room!***

***Join us also Next Sunday for Brunch to celebrate
Sister Lynne Smith becoming the 2nd Prioress of
Holy Wisdom Monastery.***

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 sour - ces 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.

Liturgical Ministers

Presider:	S. Lynne Smith, OSB
Homilist:	Pam Shellburg
Lector:	Mary Russell, Bill Santner II
Greeters:	Allen Liegel, Joan Lundin, Donna Miller
Communion:	Sandy Adams, Edward Emmenegger Mary Kaye Radtke, Kathy Woytych
Cantor:	Sarah Wilkin Gibart
Sacristan:	Diane Smith
Technology:	Bill Rosholt
Childcare:	Charles Bradley, Julie Melton
Dir Music:	Bill Frederick

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"Creator of the Intertwined" by: Jaques B. Jones, GIA Publications, "Psalm 22 "I Will Praise You God" by: Marty Haugen Julie and Tim Smith, Resource Publications/OCP, "Celtic Alleluia" by Fintan O'Carroll, Christopher Walker, GIA Publications, "Mass of Creation" by Marty Haugen, GIA Publications, "Be Known To Us Christ Jesus" Augsburg Fortress Publications, "O For A World" by: Lowell Mason, New Century Hymnal

The Sisters wish to announce the passing of Robert E. (Bob) Smith on Thursday April 11, 2024. Bob was a Long time member and close friend of Holy Wisdom Monastery, and his Memorial Service will be held here on Saturday May 11, 2024. The visitation will begin at 2:30 PM and the service at 3:30 PM. May Bob rest in peace forever in the arms of God.

Announcements for next Sunday’s bulletin are due to Bill at Bfrederick@holywisdommonastery.org by 9:00 am Monday morning.

Personal Listening Devices We have eight personal listening devices, available for anyone to use during worship. They can be picked up and returned to the Sacristy. For more information or if you have trouble using the devices please see one of our technology assistants.

Assembly Choir will meet today following Sunday Assembly! Have you ever thought about singing in the choir? Do you play an instrument? Come and check it out! We would LOVE to have you!! See Bill if you have any questions or email him: Bfrederick@holywisdommonastery.org

Interested in supporting Sunday Assembly? We are looking for a **Hospitality Volunteer Coordinator**. This person would oversee the scheduling and training of greeters, including the greeting of new members, as well as ensuring the hospitality service after Sunday Assembly is staffed with volunteers to setup and clean up. Interested? Please contact Erin. This could be a shared position too! etrondson@holywisdommonastery.org

SA members Ann Baltes, Sherri Hansen, and Bill Rosholt are singing in the upcoming Wisconsin Chamber Choir performance of “Out of this World,” honoring Ukrainian, Palestinian and Arab voices plus works on astronomical themes. Saturday, May 4th (with a special Star Wars piece), 7:30 PM at First Unitarian Society—Atrium, Madison. For more information and tickets (including discounted!) visit wisconsinchamberchoir.org

Help Birds and Wisdom Prairie - Native plant sale: trees, shrubs, flowers and grasses. Order online now through May 5, 2024. Pick up at the Monastery on May 10. Flyers are available at the reception desk. You can order through the link on the Monastery homepage. Questions? Contact Amy Alstead at aalstad@holywisdommonastery.org.

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

Second Reading

1 John 4:7-21

Gospel Acclamation

Celtic Alleluia

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

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

Sign of 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.**

Announcements

New Members & Guests - Welcome! We are so glad you are here! If you didn't check in with the Greeters when you arrived, make sure you sign our book and take a New Member Packet before you leave. Also we welcome you in the Dining Room after Assembly for coffee and to get to know some of our community. Look for the New Members & Guests sign at a table.

For more information about Sunday Assembly, the monastery or the sisters' community see <https://HolyWisdomMonastery.org>. Please join us after Sunday Assembly for coffee and conversation!

CHILDCARE: We do offer childcare during worship today in the Hospitality Room.

Pastoral Care Services are available to members of the Holy Wisdom Monastery communities. For more information or to receive care, contact Jane Ahlstrom at 608-222-5139 or janeahlstrom@sbcglobal.net.

Gender Neutral Restrooms can be found in the Hospitality Room in the hallway just after the coat racks.

SAVE THE DATE: On Sunday **May 5th, from 9AM to 11:30 AM** we will gather to honor the transfer of leadership from Sister Mary David Walgenbach OSB, to Sister Lynne Smith OSB, as the new Prioress. A brunch Reception will follow Sunday Assembly. Please register if you are coming:

<https://holywisdommonastery.org/event/transfer-of-leadership/>

AND because the Monastery wants to celebrate Sister Lynne's position of prioress, we will NOT have Hospitality today, on April 28th, BUT we will and do have Coffee today!

The Quest for Healing and Home – The Great Search 2: Celtic teacher John Philip Newell and his colleague Cami Twilling return to the monastery May 9-11 with their second annual retreat created to address the deep spiritual yearnings of this moment in time. They invite you to explore with them the search for awareness, for spiritual and physical wellness, and for love. Registration for this retreat can be found on the Holy Wisdom Monastery website. The registration deadline is May 1.


Communion Rite

Reception of Communion

Our Communion bread is gluten-free. All are welcome to receive Communion. Come to any one of the four locations in the room. Two stations are behind the altar, one at the side exit, and one near the piano.

Prayer after Communion

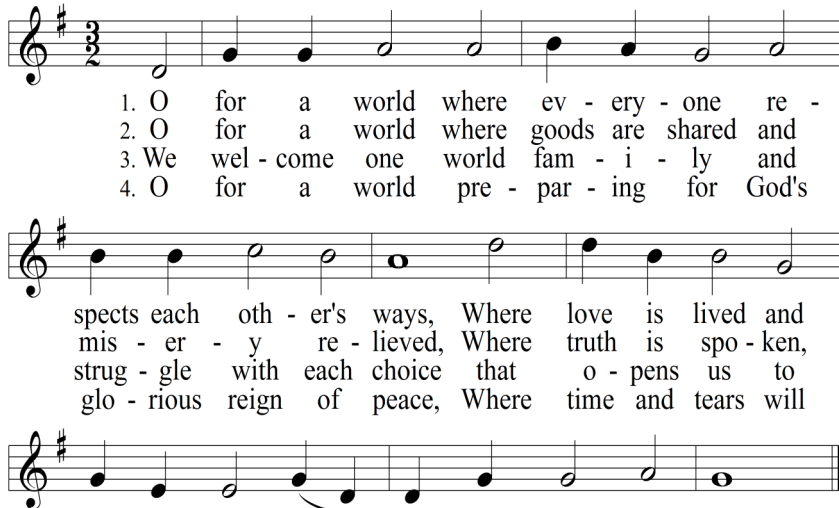
Blessing & Sending Forth



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.

Hymn of Praise

O For A World



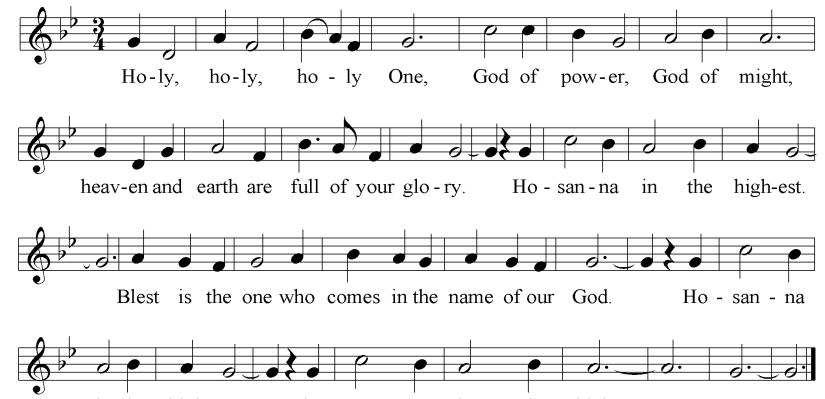
1. O for a world where ev - ery - one re -
2. O for a world where goods are shared and
3. We wel - come one world fam - i - ly and
4. O for a world pre - par - ing for God's

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.

**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.

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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 for
given. Do this in memory of me.”

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith.



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!

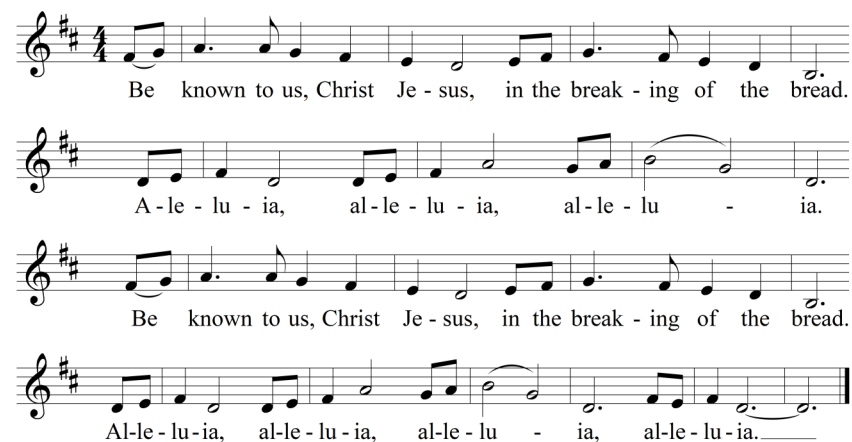
Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ.....
forever and ever.



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



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.**