

When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you.

Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy.

To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.



The Celebrant continues
Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

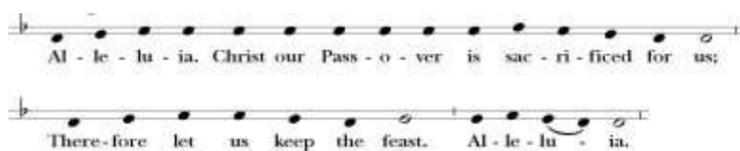
Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. *AMEN.*

And now, as our Savior 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, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.



The Celebrant continues
The gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Please join us at God's table.

All baptized people are welcome to receive communion. Everyone is welcome to come to the altar for a blessing. If you would like a blessing, please fold your arms across your chest.

Music at Communion

Organ Wine of Peace Charles Camilleri
Hymn 343 "Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless" St. Agnes
Psalm 23 John Goss

The Postcommunion Prayer

The Celebrant says
Let us pray.

The People kneel. The Celebrant and People say
Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Blessing

The Celebrant blesses the people.

Hymn 645 (8 a.m. S t.4-6) "The King of love my shepherd is" St. Columba

Hymn 191 (10 a.m.) "Alleluia, alleluia! Hearts and voices heavenward raise" Lux eoi

The Dismissal

Alleluia, alleluia! Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

People

Voluntary Suite Gothique Léon Boëllmann
IV. Toccata

The flowers at the High Altar and Cummings Chapel are given to the Glory of God and in thanksgiving for the birthday of Richard Bush.



THE HOLY EUCHARIST GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY May 8, 2022 - 8 & 10 a.m.

St. John's Cathedral welcomes you this morning! If you are visiting, we would love to get to know you better. You can help us by filling out a connection card located in your pew and placing it in the offering plate or by handing it to an usher. The Hakimian Nursery is open. Assisted listening devices and large-print bulletins are available. Please ask an usher if you need these items or directions to the nursery or restrooms. We want you to feel at home here. Thank you for silencing your cell phone.

Voluntary Prelude and Fugue in A major J. S. Bach
Introit Blessed are the pure in heart H. Walford Davies

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see our God; the secret of the Lord is theirs; their soul is Christ's abode. Still to the lowly soul He doth Himself impart, and for His cradle and His throne chooseth the pure in heart.

Hymn 645 (8 a.m. St. 1-3, 10 a.m. all St.) "The King of love my shepherd is" St. Columba

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.
People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Celebrant and People
Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: 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.

Hymn 9 (10 a.m. Stanzas 4-6) "Awake, awake to love and work!" Morning Song

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Let us pray.

The Celebrant continues

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Our culture today celebrates this as Mother's Day. However, as a church we are keenly aware that we live in a broken and imperfect world. That means that for many today is a time of heartache rather than celebration, especially those who long to be mothers, those who have difficult relationships with their mothers, those who never knew their mother, and for those whose mother has died.

The Celebrant adds

O God, we give you thanks for those who love us, and those you call us to love. We thank you for mothers; we give thanks for all who have embodied your love; we pray that you comfort those who have been unable to have children; and we beseech you to wrap your arms of compassion around those whose children have died. Give us strength to follow in the paths of those who have offered us life and love, as we share your grace with the world. All this we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The People are seated.

The Lesson Acts 9:36-43

Lector A Reading from the book of Acts.

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request,

