

**Gentle Reminder: When the lights have been lowered,  
Please use this time for silent reflection.**

# Welcome to the Church of the Ascension

*The 5:30 Vigil and 8:30 morning Masses  
are livestreamed.*

## FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

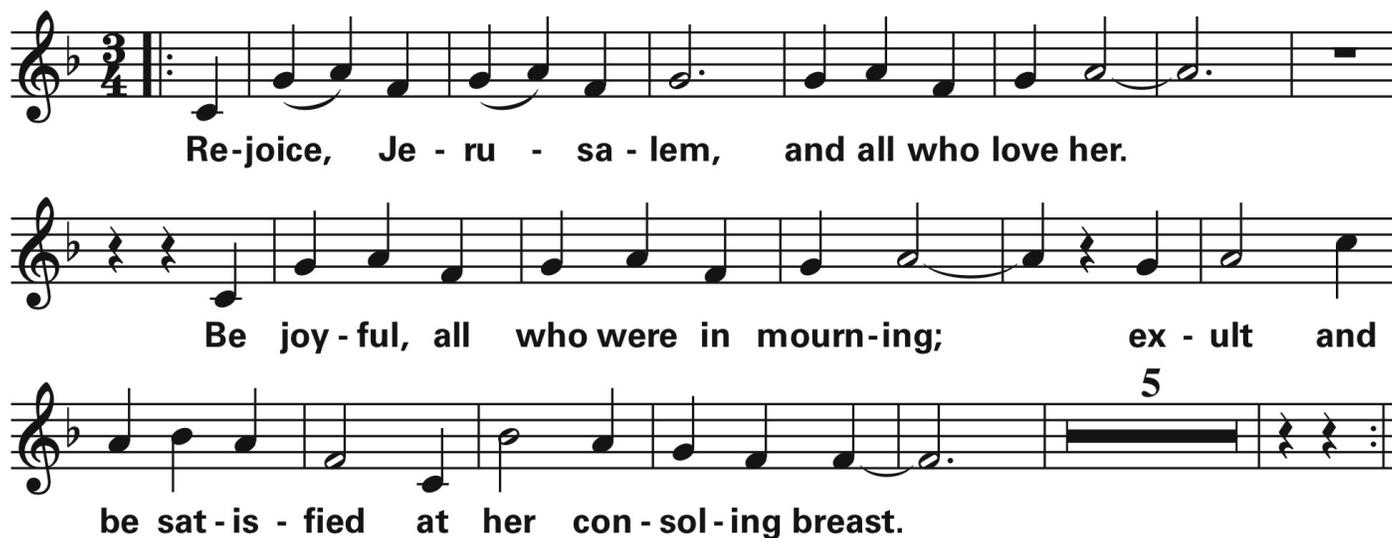
### Laetare! – Rejoice!

**March 15, 2026**

#### FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

#### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

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Re-joyce, Je - ru - sa - lem, and all who love her.

Be joy - ful, all who were in mourn-ing; ex - ult and

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be sat - is - fied at her con - sol - ing breast.

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# CHILDREN'S DISMISSAL 10:30 SUNDAY MASS

## FOUR-YEARS-OLD TO SECOND GRADE

### We Send You Forth

We send you forth to hear the word of the Lord,  
take these words to heart and walk in God's ways.

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## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

### FIRST READING

### *1 Samuel 16: 1b, 6 - 7, 10 - 13a*

The LORD sent Samuel to Bethlehem to the house of Jesse, where Samuel was to anoint the new king of Israel. After Jesse presented each of his sons, the LORD instructed Samuel to anoint the youngest, David.

### PSALM 23: THE LORD IS MY SHEPHERD

Sarah Hart



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| 1. The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.<br>In verdant pastures he gives me repose;<br>beside restful waters he leads me;<br>he refreshes my soul.  | 3. You spread the table before me<br>in the sight of my foes;<br>you anoint my head with oil;<br>my cup overflows.                      |
| 2. He guides me in right paths<br>for his name's sake.<br>Even though I walk in the dark valley<br>I fear no evil; for you are at my side<br>with your rod and your staff<br>that give me courage. | 4. Only goodness and kindness<br>follow me all the days of my life;<br>and I shall dwell in the house<br>of the LORD for years to come. |

## SECOND READING

*Ephesians 5: 8 – 14*

Live as children of light in goodness, justice, and truth.  
"Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ will give you light."

## GLORY TO YOU, O WORD OF GOD, LORD JESUS CHRIST

Cantor first time:

*Mass of Renewal*  
Curtis Stephan



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## GOSPEL

**JOHN 9: 1 - 41**

**Response: Lord help us to see.**

## HOMILY

## **PROFESSION OF FAITH**

## **NICENE CREED**

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one LORD Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, Begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven (\*A SLIGHT BOW\*) and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary and became man. (\*PLEASE RISE\*)

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, He suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the LORD, the giver of life, Who proceeds from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, Who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## **UNIVERSAL PRAYERS**

# THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

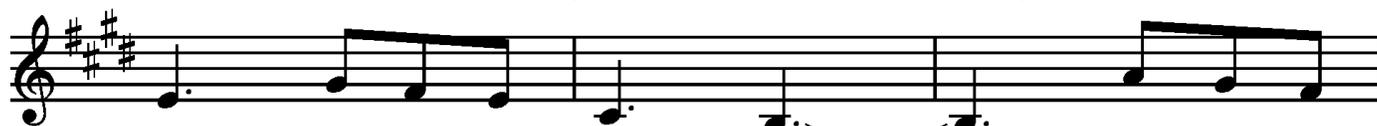
## OPEN MY EYES

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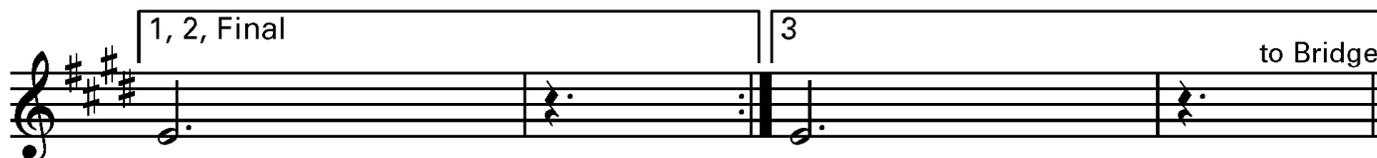
### Verses



1. O - pen my eyes, Lord. Help me to see your  
2. O - pen my ears, Lord. Help me to hear your  
3. O - pen my heart, Lord. Help me to love like  
4. I live with - in you. Deep in your heart, O



1. face. O - pen my eyes, Lord. Help me to  
2. voice. O - pen my ears, Lord. Help me to  
3. you. O - pen my heart, Lord. Help me to  
4. Love. I live with - in you. Rest now in



1. see. 3. love.  
2. hear.  
4. me.

### Bridge



And the first shall be last, and our eyes are o - pened, and we'll



hear like nev-er be-fore. And we'll speak in new ways, and we'll



see God's face in plac-es we've nev-er known.

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT COMMUNION ANTIPHON [I]

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The Lord a-noint - ed my eyes: I went, I  
washed, I saw and I be-lieved in God.

The image shows two staves of musical notation in 4/4 time, G major. The first staff begins with a repeat sign and contains the lyrics 'The Lord a-noint - ed my eyes: I went, I'. The second staff continues with 'washed, I saw and I be-lieved in God.' and ends with a double bar line and repeat dots.

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## COMMUNION SONGS

### Healed in Christ

Refrain  
Bless-ed be our God, heal-ing us in Christ, con-so - la-tion of our  
soul. mak-ing all that once was bro-ken whole. to Verse 3

The image shows two staves of musical notation in 4/4 time, D major. The first staff is labeled 'Refrain' and contains the lyrics 'Bless-ed be our God, heal-ing us in Christ, con-so - la-tion of our'. It includes a first ending bracket labeled '1'. The second staff continues with 'soul. mak-ing all that once was bro-ken whole.' and ends with a double bar line and the instruction 'to Verse 3'. It includes a second ending bracket labeled '2'.

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## Behold the Lamb

1. Those who were in the dark are thankful for the sunlight; we who live, we who die are grateful for his gift, thankful for his love.

**Refrain:** Behold, behold the Lamb of God. All who eat, all who drink shall live; and all, all who dwell in God shall come to know his glory.

2. Peaceful now, those whose hearts are blessed with understanding. Of the wheat, of the wine united with his word and the love we share.

3. Gentle one, Child of God, join with us at this table. Bless our lives; nourish all who hunger for this feast; shelter them with peace.

4. Lord of all, give us light. Deliver us from evil. Make us one; be our shield. Make still the winds that blow; cradle us with love.

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## REPOSITION OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST (PLEASE RISE)

Refrain from *Behold the Lamb*

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## SENDING FORTH

### Awake, O Sleeper

**Refrain:** Awake, O sleeper, arise from death, abandon the shadows of night; the wind of the spirit shall be your breath, and Christ will fill you with light.

Once you were darkness, once you were lost in the shadows.  
Once you were darkness, now you are children of light.

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### Come, Touch the Robe by Pepper Choplin

*Come, Touch the Robe* inspires us to encounter the Christ of healing, glory, authority, humility, and victory. Through the simple garment worn by Jesus, this work beautifully recounts the profound interactions of those who were with Him in His final days on Earth.

**Sunday, March 22 at 3:00 PM**

One showing only.



Luke 8:44