

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Ascension Catholic Church, Melbourne, FL
September 13, 2026

Gathering

Gather Us In

Marty Haugen



1. Here in this place new light is stream-ing, now is the
2. We are the young— our lives are a mys - t'ry, we are the
3. Here we will take the wine and the wa - ter, here we will
4. Not in the dark of build-ings con - fin - ing, not in some



1. dark - ness van-ished a - way, See in this space our
2. old— who yearn for your face, We have been sung through-
3. take the bread of new birth, Here you shall call your
4. heav - en, light years a - way, but here in this place the



1. fears and our dream-ings, brought here to you in the light of this
2. out all of his - t'ry, called to be light to the whole hu-man
3. sons and your daugh-ters, call us a - new to be salt for the
4. new light is shin - ing, now is the King - dom, now is the



1. day. Gath-er us in— the lost and for - sa - ken, Gath-er us
2. race. Gath-er us in— the rich and the haugh-ty, Gath-er us
3. earth. Give us to drink the wine of com-pas-sion, Give us to
4. day. Gath-er us in and hold us for ev - er, Gath-er us



1. in— the blind and the lame; Call to us now, and we shall a -
2. in— the proud and the strong; Give us a heart so meek and so
3. eat the bread that is you; Nour-ish us well, and teach us to
4. in and make us your own; Gath-er us in— all peo-ples to -



1. wa-ken, we shall a - rise at the sound of our name.
2. low - ly, give us the cour-age to en - ter the song.
3. fash-ion lives that are ho - ly and hearts that are true.
4. geth-er, fire — of love in our flesh and our bone.

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Penitential Rite

Confiteor (optional)

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done, and in what I have failed to do;
through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault;
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Lord, Have Mercy

Deacon: Lord, have mercy
Christ, have mercy
Lord, have mercy

Assembly: Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

Mass of Creation

Glory to God

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Refrain

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and on earth
peace to peo - ple of good will.

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(1. We) praise you, we bless — you, we a - dore — you, we glo - ri - fy
1. you, we give — you thanks for your great glo - ry, — Lord

poco rit. *D.C.*

1. God, heav - en - ly King, O God, al - might - y Fa - ther. —

mp

2. Lord Je - sus Christ, On - ly Be - got - ten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God,
2. Son of the Fa - ther, — you take a - way the sins of the world, } have mer -
re - ceive

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2. cy on us; — you our prayer; — you are seat - ed at the
2. right hand of the Fa - ther, have mer - cy on us. —

poco rit. *D.C.*

mf

3. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord, —
3. — you a - lone are the Most — High, *Melody* Je - sus
Harmony

3. Christ, — with the Ho - ly Spir - it, in the glo - ry of
3. God the Fa - ther. — A - men. — A - men. — *poco rit.* *D.C. al fine*

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Liturgy of the Word

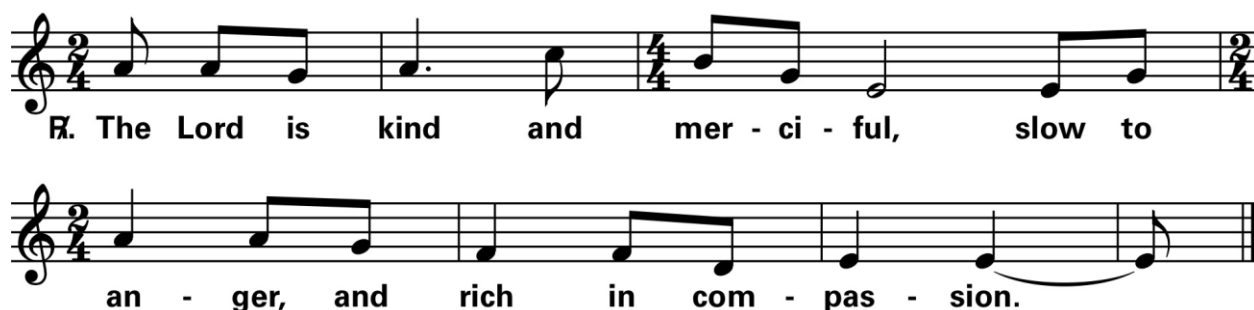


First Reading: Sirach 27:30 -28:7

Psalm Response

Psalm 103

Owen Alstott



1. Bless the Lord, O my soul; and all my being, bless his holy name.
Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits.
2. He pardons all your iniquities, heals all your ills.
He redeems your life from destruction, crowns you with kindness and compassion.
3. He will not always chide, nor does he keep his wrath forever.
Not according to our sins does he deal with us, nor does he requite us according to our crimes.
4. For as the heavens are high above the earth, so surpassing is his kindness toward those who fear him.
As far as the east is from the west, so far has he put our transgressions from us.

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Second Reading: Romans 14:7-9

Gospel Acclamation: Celtic Alleluia

Christopher Walker



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Gospel: Matthew 18:21-35

Homily

Creed:

Nicene Creed

*I believe in one God,
the Father, the 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:
(Bow) And by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and became man. (end bow)
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.*

General Intercessions

Response: Lord, hear our prayer.



Liturgy of the Eucharist

Preparation of Gifts

Where Charity and Love Prevail

CHRISTIAN LOVE



1. Where char - i - ty and love pre - vail, There God is ev - er found;
2. With grate - ful joy and ho - ly fear God's char - i - ty we learn;
3. For - give we now each oth - er's faults As we our faults con - fess;
4. Let strife a - mong us be un - known, Let all con - ten - tion cease;
5. Let us re - call that in our midst Dwells God's be - got - ten Son;
6. No race nor creed can love ex - clude, If hon - ored be God's name;



1. Brought here to - geth - er by Christ's love, By love are we thus bound.
2. Let us with heart and mind and soul Now love God in re - turn.
3. And let us love each oth - er well In Chris - tian ho - li - ness.
4. Be God's the glo - ry that we seek, Be ours God's ho - ly peace.
5. As mem - bers of his bod - y joined, We are in Christ made one.
6. Our fam - i - ly em - brac - es all Whose Fa - ther is the same.

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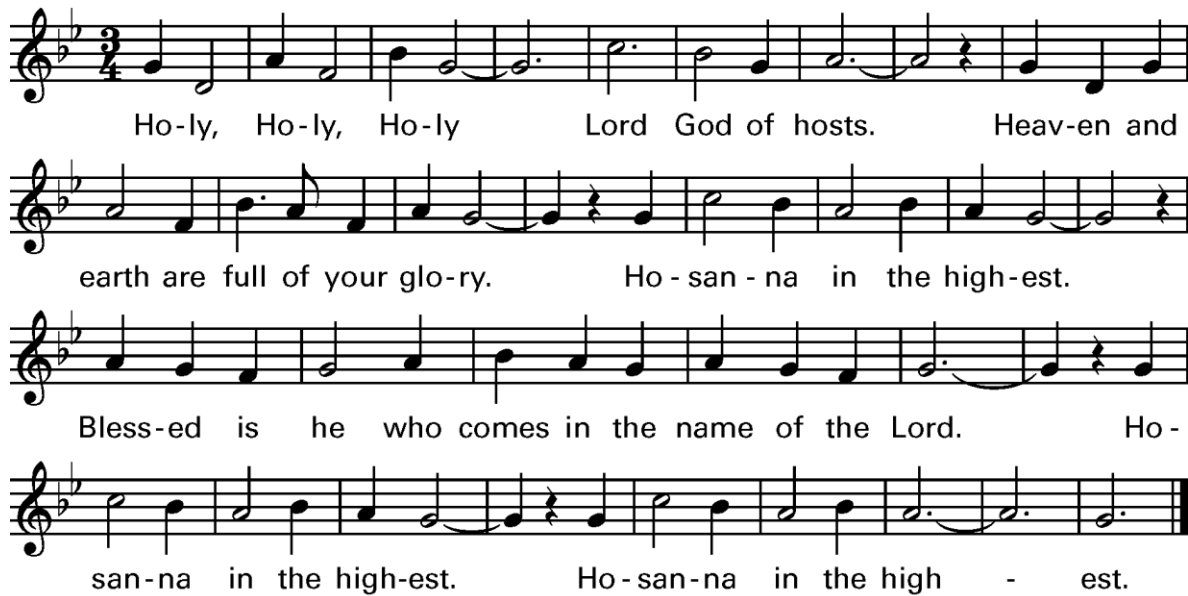


Eucharistic Acclamations

Mass of Creation

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Holy



Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho-ly Lord God of hosts. Heav-en and
earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na in the high-est.
Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san-na in the high-est. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

Memorial Acclamation



When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we pro -
claim your Death, O Lord, un - til you come a - gain.

Amen



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

Lamb of God



Cantor/Choir All
Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, have
mer-cy on us. world, grant us peace.

Communion Antiphon

**The chalice of blessing that we bless is a communion in the Blood of Christ,
and the bread that we break is a sharing in the Body of the Lord.**

Communion Songs

Ubi Caritas

Bob Hurd

Refrain: All



*U - bi ca - ri - tas est ve-ra, est ve-ra: De-us i - bi

Verses: Cantor/Choir



est, De-us i - bi est.

1. The love of Christ joins us to -
2. In true com - mu - nion let us
3. May we who gath - er at this
4. For those in need make us your
5. May we one day be - hold your



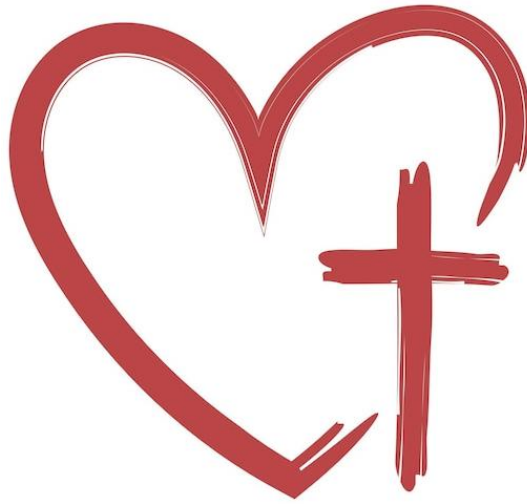
1. geth - er. Let us re - joice in him, and in our love and
2. gath - er. May all di - vi - sions cease and in their place be
3. ta - ble to share the bread of life be - come a sac - ra -
4. mer - cy, for those op - pressed, your might. Make us, your Church, a
5. glo - ry and see you face to face, re - joic - ing with the

to Refrain



1. care for all now love God in re - turn.
2. Christ the Lord, our ris - en Prince of Peace.
3. ment of love, your heal - ing touch, O Christ.
4. ho - ly sign of jus - tice and new life.
5. saints of God to sing e - ter - nal praise.

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Litany of Peace

Barbara Bridge



1. God of love, your gift of peace is plant - ed
2. God of peace, wher - ev - er there is ha - tred,
3. May we bring your hope and glad - ness where de -
4. May we seek to un - der - stand an - oth - er
5. Faith - ful God, wher - ev - er there is dark - ness,
6. God of mer - cy, help us to for - give when
7. Gra - cious God, when - ev - er peo - ple hun - ger,
8. Set us free from all our fear and an - ger;



1. deep with - in our hearts: Make me an in - stru - ment
2. may we bring your love:
3. spair and sad - ness are:
4. with a pa - tient heart:
5. may we bring your light:
6. there is in - jury done:
7. may we fill their need:
8. set us free to love:



of your peace. Make me an in - stru - ment of your peace.

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Song of Sending Forth

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

IN BABILONE



1. There's a wide-ness in God's mer - cy Like the wide-ness
2. For the love of God is broad-er Than the mea-sures
3. Trou-bled souls, why will you scat-ter Like a crowd of



1. of the sea; There's a kind - ness in his jus - tice
2. of our mind, And the heart of the E - ter - nal
3. fright - ened sheep? Fool - ish hearts, why will you wan - der



1. Which is more than lib - er - ty. There is plen - ti - ful re -
2. Is most won - der - ful - ly kind. If our love were but more
3. From a love so true and deep? There is wel-come for the



1. demp-tion In the blood that has been shed; There is
2. sim - ple We should take him at his word, And our
3. sin - ner And more grac - es for the good; There is



1. joy for all the mem-bers In the sor - rows of the Head.
2. lives would be thanks - giv - ing For the good-ness of our Lord.
3. mer - cy with the Sav - ior, There is heal - ing in his blood.

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