

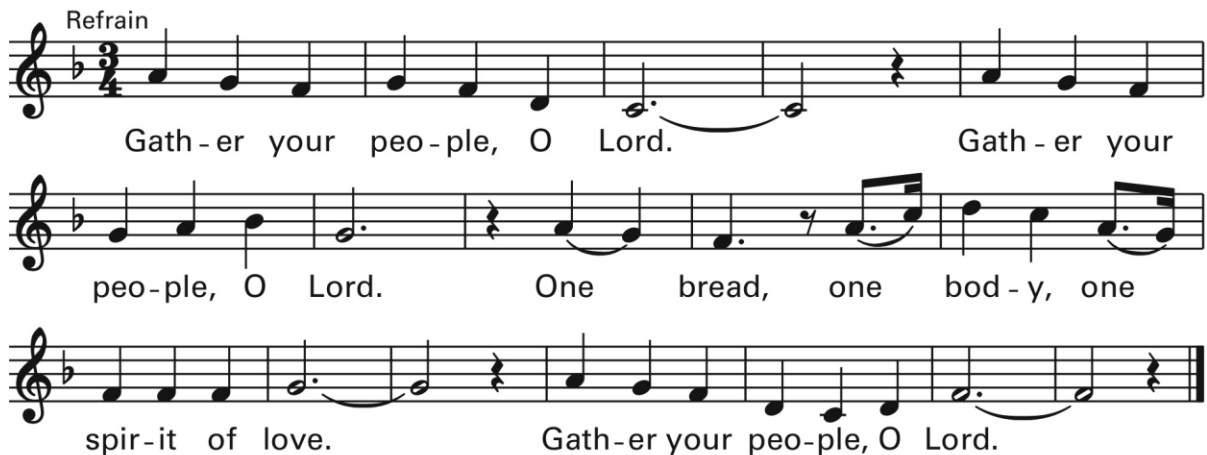
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*Ascension Catholic Church*  
*Melbourne, FL*  
*September 20, 2026*

*Gathering*

*Gather Your People*

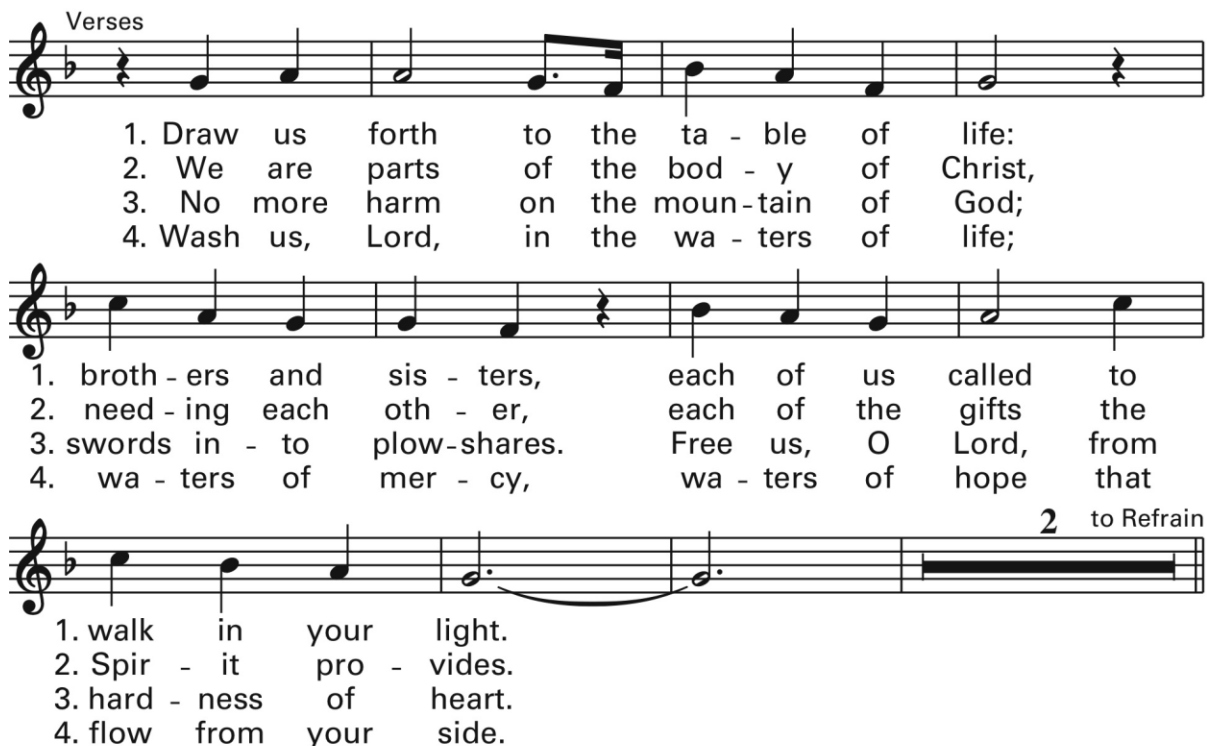
*Bob Hurd*

Refrain



Gath - er your peo - ple, O Lord. Gath - er your  
peo - ple, O Lord. One bread, one bod - y, one  
spir - it of love. Gath - er your peo - ple, O Lord.

Verses



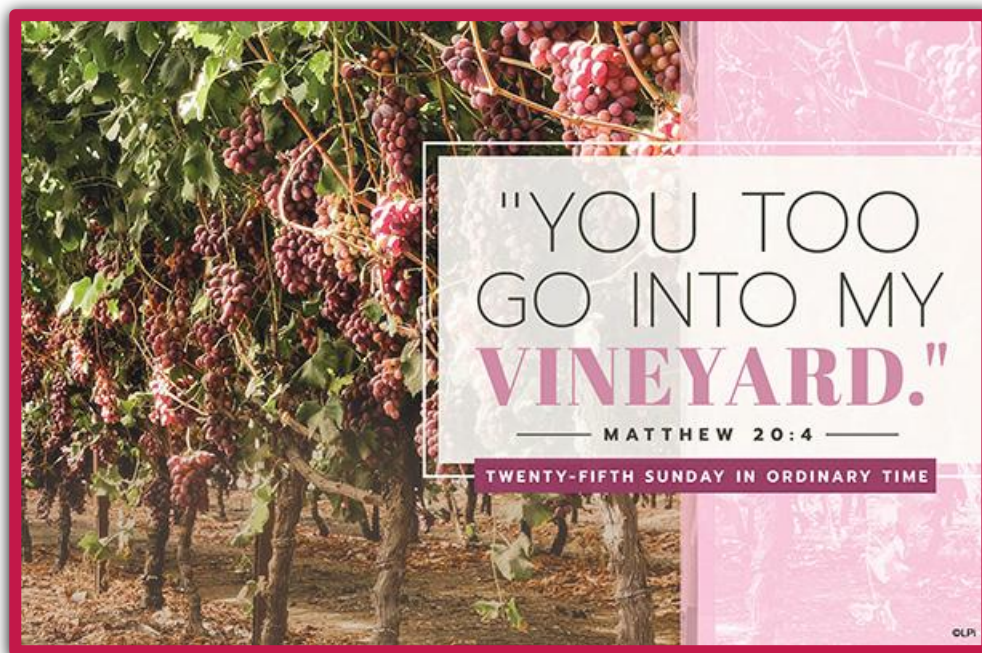
1. Draw us forth to the ta - ble of life:  
2. We are parts of the bod - y of Christ,  
3. No more harm on the moun - tain of God;  
4. Wash us, Lord, in the wa - ters of life;

1. broth - ers and sis - ters, each of us called to  
2. need - ing each oth - er, each of the gifts the  
3. swords in - to plow-shares. Free us, O Lord, from  
4. wa - ters of mer - cy, wa - ters of hope that

2 to Refrain

1. walk in your light.  
2. Spir - it pro - vides.  
3. hard - ness of heart.  
4. flow from your side.

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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

Marty Haugen

*Refrain*

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

*mf*

(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

1 2

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: Isaiah 55:6-9*

## Psalm Response

*Psalm 145*

*Owen Alstott*



℣. The Lord is near to all who call up - on him.

1. Every day will I bless you, and I will praise your name forever and ever.  
Great is the Lord and highly to be praised; his greatness is unsearchable.
2. The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and of great kindness.  
The Lord is good to all and compassionate toward all his works.
3. The Lord is just in all his ways and holy in all his works.  
The Lord is near to all who call upon him, to all who call upon him in truth.

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*Second Reading: Philippians 1:20C-24, 27a*

## Gospel Acclamation: Celtic Alleluia

*Christopher Walker*



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*Gospel: Matthew 20:1-16a*

## 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

#### Open My Eyes

*Jesse Manibusan*



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



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

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# *Eucharistic Acclamations*

## *Mass of Creation*

*Marty Haugen*

### *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 1, 2  
Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, have  
mer-cy on us. world, grant us peace.

## Communion Antiphon

*You have laid down your precepts to be carefully kept;  
may my ways be firm in keeping your statutes.*

## Communion Songs

### Eye Has Not Seen

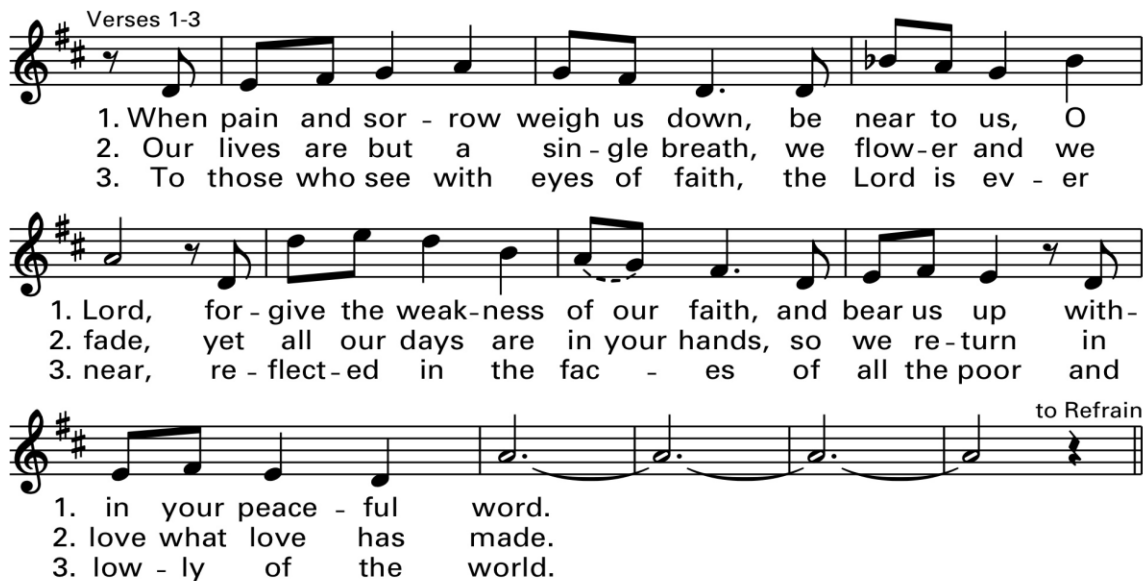
Marty Haugen

Refrain



Eye has not seen, ear has not heard what God has read-y for  
those who love him; Spir-it of love, come, give us the mind of  
Je - sus, teach us the wis-dom of God.

Verses 1-3



1. When pain and sor - row weigh us down, be near to us, O  
2. Our lives are but a sin - gle breath, we flow-er and we  
3. To those who see with eyes of faith, the Lord is ev - er

1. Lord, for - give the weak-ness of our faith, and bear us up with-  
2. fade, yet all our days are in your hands, so we re - turn in  
3. near, re - flect-ed in the fac - es of all the poor and

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1. in your peace - ful word.  
2. love what love has made.  
3. low - ly of the world.

Verse 4



4. We sing a mys - t'ry from the past, in halls where saints have

4. trod, yet ev - er new the mu-sic rings to Je-sus, Liv - ing

to Refrain

4. Song of God.

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## *Attende Domine (Have Mercy on Us, Lord)*

Refrain

At - tén-de Dó-mi - ne, et mi - se - ré - re, Qui - a pec - cá - vi-mus  
*Have mer-cy on us, Lord, Je-sus our Sav-ior: Bur-dened with sin, we im -*

Verses

ti - bi. 1. O great Re-deem-er, King of all cre - a - tion,  
*plore you! 2. Ex - alt - ed Sav - ior, Cor - ner-stone of heav - en,*  
 3. We beg you, Je - sus, God im-mense in pow - er:  
 4. We stand con - vict - ed, own - ing our of - fens - es;  
 5. Re-mem - ber, Je - sus, you gave all to save us;

1. As we are sin - ners, we de - serve your judg - ment:  
 2. Gate of sal - va - tion, Way to life im - mor - tal:  
 3. Lis - ten in kind-ness as we ask for - give - ness:  
 4. Guil - ty be - fore you, yet we seek your par - don:  
 5. Dy - ing for sin - ners, you en - dured the Pas - sion:

to Refrain

1. Je - sus, be gra - cious; hear our prayer of sor - row.  
 2. Send forth your Spir - it; heal your hum - bled peo - ple!  
 3. Though sin con-demns us, you are strong to save us!  
 4. O gen - tle Sav - ior, great is your com - pas - sion!  
 5. Sav - ior, im - mor - tal, grant your gift of free - dom!

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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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