



Loving Witnessing Growing

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Easter 7

THE GATHERING

Priest: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

All: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Priest: We come from scattered lives to meet with God.
Let us recognise his presence with us.

Silence is kept

Priest: As God's people we have gathered:

All: let us worship him together.

WELCOME AND INSTRUCTIONS

CONFESSION

Leader: In baptism we died with Christ,
so that as Christ was raised from the dead,
we might walk in newness of life.
Let us receive new life in him
as we confess our sins in penitence and faith.

Leader: Like Mary at the empty tomb,
we fail to grasp the wonder of your presence.
Lord, have mercy.

All: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: Like the disciples behind locked doors,
we are afraid to be seen as your followers.
Christ, have mercy.

All: Christ, have mercy.

Leader: Like Thomas in the upper room,
we are slow to believe.
Lord, have mercy.

All: Lord, have mercy.

ABSOLUTION

Leader: May the Father of all mercies
cleans us from our sins,
and restore us in his image
to the praise and glory of his name,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

SUNG WORSHIP: BUILD YOUR KINGDOM HERE

Come, set Your rule and reign
in our hearts again
increase in us we pray.
Unveil why we're made.
Come, set our hearts
ablaze with hope
like wildfire in our very souls,
Holy Spirit come invade us now.
We are Your church.
We need Your power in us.

We seek Your kingdom first,
we hunger and we thirst,
refuse to waste our lives
for You're our joy and prize.
To see the captive hearts released.
The hurt, the sick,
the poor at peace.
We lay down our lives
for Heaven's cause.
We are Your church.
We pray: revive this earth.

*Build Your kingdom here
let the darkness fear.
Show Your mighty hand,
heal our streets and land.
Set Your church on fire.
Win this nation back.
Change the atmosphere.
Build Your kingdom here
we pray.*

Unleash Your kingdoms power
reaching the near and far.
No force of Hell can stop
Your beauty changing hearts.
You made us for
much more than this.
Awake the kingdom seed in us.
Fill us with the strength
and love of Christ.
We are Your church.
We are the hope on earth.
Build Your kingdom here...

LISTENING TO THE WORD

GOSPEL READING: JOHN 17:6-11

SERMON FOR CHILDREN

SUNG WORSHIP: RAISE A HALLELUJAH

I raise a hallelujah,
in the presence of my enemies.
I raise a hallelujah,
louder than the unbelief.
I raise a hallelujah,
my weapon is a melody.
I raise a hallelujah,
heaven comes to fight for me.

*I'm gonna sing,
in the middle of the storm,
louder and louder,
you're gonna hear my praises roar
up from the ashes, hope will arise,
death is defeated,
the King is alive!*

I raise a hallelujah,
with everything inside of me.
I raise a hallelujah,
I will watch the darkness flee.
I raise a hallelujah,
in the middle of the mystery.
I raise a hallelujah,
fear you lost your hold on me!
I'm gonna sing...

Sing a little louder
(In the presence of my enemies)
Sing a little louder
(Louder than the unbelief)
Sing a little louder

(My weapon is a melody)
Sing a little louder
(Heaven comes to fight for me)
(repeat)
Sing a little louder!

I'm gonna sing...

READING: ACTS 20:25-38

SERMON

THE CREED

Leader: Do you believe and trust in God the Father,
source of all being and life,
the one for whom we exist?

All: We believe and trust in him.

Leader: Do you believe and trust in God the Son,
who took our human nature,
died for us and rose again?

All: We believe and trust in him.

Leader: Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit,
who gives life to the people of God
and makes Christ known in the world?

All: We believe and trust in him.

Leader: This is the faith of the Church.

**All: This is our faith.
We believe and trust in one God,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Amen.**

INTERCESSIONS

SUNG WORSHIP: WHAT A FRIEND WE HAVE IN JESUS

**The Lord's my shepherd,
I'll not want;
He makes me lie in pastures green.
He leads me by
the still, still waters,
His goodness restores my soul.**

*And I will trust in You alone,
And I will trust in You alone,*

*For Your endless mercy follows me,
Your goodness will lead me home.*

**He guides my ways
in righteousness,
And He anoints my head with oil,
And my cup, it overflows with joy,
I feast on His pure delights.**

And I will trust in You alone...

**And though I walk
the darkest path,
I will not fear the evil one,
For You are with me,**

INTERCESSIONS

**and Your rod and staff
Are the comfort I need to know.
*And I will trust in You alone...***

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

PEACE

Priest: The peace of the Lord be always with you,

People: **and also with you.**

Priest: Pray, my brothers and sisters,
that my sacrifice and yours
may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

All: **May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands
for the praise and glory of his name,
for our good and the good of all his holy Church.**

Priest: The Lord be with you

People: **and also with you.**

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

God is praised for his mighty acts.

All: **Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

We retell the story of the Last Supper and offer praises to God.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

All: **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name...**

THE BREAKING OF BREAD

Priest: Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup,

All: **we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.**

THE INVITATION

All: **Jesus is the Lamb of God
who takes away the sin of the world.**

Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

Priest Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
 but only say the word, and we shall be healed.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Minister prays, followed by,

**All: God of power,
 may the boldness of your Spirit transform us,
 may the gentleness of your Spirit lead us,
 may the gifts of your Spirit equip us to serve
 and worship you now and always.**

NOTICES

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

Priest: Alleluia, Christ is risen!

All: He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

A blessing is said, followed by

Leader: With the risen life of Christ within you,
 go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.