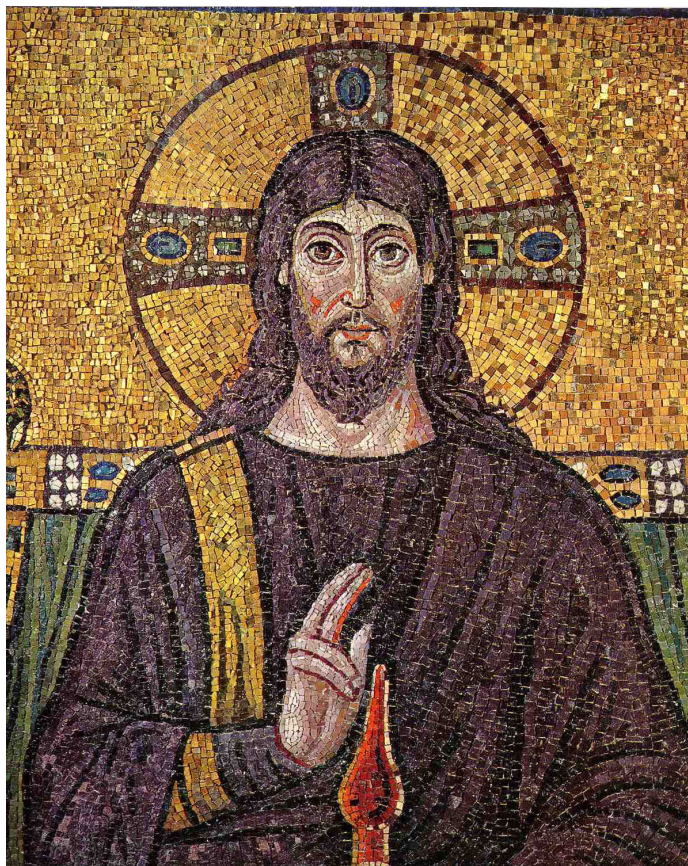


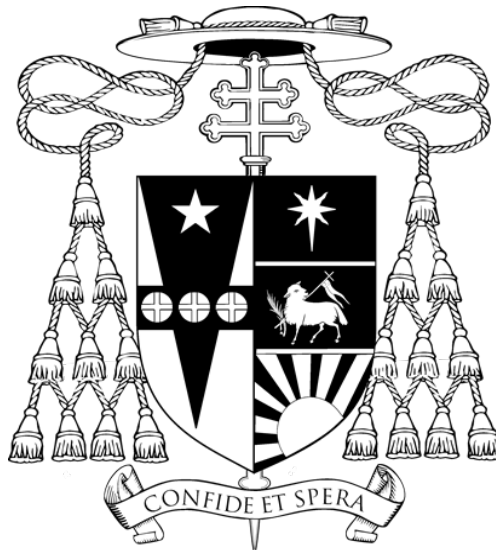
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MAY 17, 2025

CATHEDRAL BASILICA *of* SAINTS PETER AND PAUL
AND THE SHRINE *of* SAINT KATHARINE DREXEL
PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA

CELEBRATION *of* THE EUCHARIST
WITH THE
ORDINATION *of* PRIESTS



PRINCIPAL CELEBRANT AND HOMILIST
MOST REVEREND NELSON J. PÉREZ
ARCHBISHOP *of* PHILADELPHIA

MAY 17, 2025
10:00 AM

CATHEDRAL BASILICA *of* SAINTS PETER AND PAUL
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INVOCATION TO SAINT MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle;
be our safeguard against the wickedness
and snares of the devil.
May God rebuke him, we humbly pray:
and you, O Prince of the heavenly hosts,
by the power of God,
cast down to hell Satan and the other evil spirits,
who prowl through the world
for the ruin of souls. Amen.

PRELUDES

UBI CARITAS

ALEJANDRO CONSOLACION II (b. 1980)

English translation, sung in Latin

Where charity and love are, there God is.
The love of Christ has gathered us into one.
Let us exult, and in Him be joyful.
Let us fear and let us love the living God.
Where charity and love are, there God is.
The love of Christ has gathered us into one.
Where charity and love are, there God is.

WIE WILL ICH MICH FREUEN, BWV 146

J. S. BACH (1685-1750)
arr. Steve Heitzer

REGINA CAELI

GREGOR AICHINGER (1564-1628)

English translation, sung in Latin

Queen of heaven rejoice, Alleluia!
For He whom you were worthy to bear, Alleluia!
He has risen, as He said, Alleluia! Pray for us to God, Alleluia!

IF YE LOVE ME

THOMAS TALLIS (c. 1505-1585)

If ye love me, keep my commandments,
and I will pray the Father,
and he shall give you another comforter,
that he may bide with you forever,
e'en the spirit of truth.

INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE

JESUS IS RISEN

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

ARR. JEREMY BANKSON



1. Je - sus is ris - en! Let us sing! Praise to the ev - er - liv - ing
2. On this most ho - ly day of days, Let us to - geth - er sing his
3. O source of un - cre - a - ted light, The Fa - ther's prom - ised Par - a -
4. All a - do - ra - tion ev - er be, E - ter - nal Par - a - clete to



1. King! Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia! Praise him in song, ye Ser - a -
2. praise! Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia! Raise joy - ful voic - es to the
3. clete; Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia! Thrice ho - ly Font, thrice ho - ly
4. thee. Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia! From sin and sor - row set us



1. phim! Praise him with joy, ye Cher - u - bim. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -
2. sky! Sing out, ye heav - ens, in re - ply: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -
3. Fire, Our hearts with heav'n - ly love in - spire. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -
4. free That we may live e - ter - nal - ly. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -



1. lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
2. lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
3. lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
4. lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

ECCE SACERDOS MAGNUS VINZENZ GOLLER (1873-1953)

English translation, sung in Latin

Behold a great priest who in his days pleased God:

Therefore by an oath the Lord made him to increase among his people.

To him He gave the blessing of all nations,
and confirmed His covenant upon his head.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

Therefore by an oath the Lord made him to increase among his people. Amen.

CHRISTOPH TIETZE
ARR. RALPH VAUGHAN WILLIAMS



1. Be - hold, O God, and see the face
2. How love - ly is your dwell - ling place,
3. E - ven the spar - row finds a home,
4. Hap - py are those of ev - 'ry race
Dox. To God, the Tri - une One, we raise



1. Of your A - noint - ed, filled with grace.
2. O Lord of hosts and God of grace!
3. Swal - lows build nests to lay their young;
4. Who dwell in your most splen - did place,
Dox. E - ter - nal songs of joy - ful praise,



1. For bet - ter one day in your house
2. My soul, O Lord, longs for your courts;
3. Your al - tars, Lord a - bove the sky,
4. They sing for - ev - er to your name;
Dox. O Fa - ther, Son, and Par - a - clete,



1. Than thou - sands else - where, far or close.
2. In you re - joice my flesh and heart.
3. Are their a - bode, my King on high.
4. Your might, your glo - ry all pro - claim.
Dox. We praise your name in word and deed.

Text: Christoph Tietze
Tune: OLD HUNDREDTH, LM

SIGN *of* THE CROSS AND GREETING

PENITENTIAL ACT

Chant



V. Ký - ri e, e - lé - i - son. R. Ký - ri - e, e - lé - i - son.



V. Chri - ste, e - lé - i - son. R. Chri - ste, e - lé - i - son.



V. Ký - ri - e, e - lé - i - son. R. Ký - ri - e, e - lé - i - son.

GLORIA

MASS of SAINTS PETER AND PAUL

NORMAND GOUIN



Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and on



earth peace to peo - ple of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we a -



dore you, we glo - ri - fy you, we give you thanks for your great glo - ry.

Choir: Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer
you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,
you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the
Ho-ly Spir-it in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther.
A-men. A-men.

COLLECT

LITURGY of THE WORD

FIRST READING
PRIMERA LECTURA

ACTS of THE APOSTLES 20:17-18a, 28-32, 36
HECHOS de LOS APÓSTOLES 20, 17-18. 28-32. 36

Spanish translation, read in English

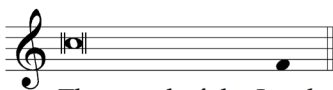
Lectura del libro de los Hechos de los Apóstoles

En aquellos días, hallándose Pablo en Mileto, mandó llamar a los presbíteros de la comunidad cristiana de Efeso. Cuando se presentaron, les dijo: “Miren por ustedes mismos y por todo el rebaño, del que los constituyó pastores el Espíritu Santo, para apacentar a la Iglesia que Dios adquirió con la sangre de su Hijo.

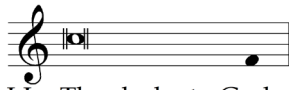
Yo sé que después de mi partida, se introducirán entre ustedes lobos rapaces, que no tendrán piedad del rebaño y sé que, de entre ustedes mismos, surgirán hombres que predicarán doctrinas perversas y arrastrarán a los fieles detrás de sí. Por eso, estén alerta. Acuérdense que durante tres años, ni de día ni de noche he dejado de aconsejar, con lágrimas en los ojos, a cada uno de ustedes.

Ahora los encomiendo a Dios y a su palabra salvadora, la cual tiene fuerza para que todos os consagrados a Dios crezcan en el espíritu”.

Dicho esto, se arrodilló para orar con todos ellos.



Cantor: The word of the Lord.

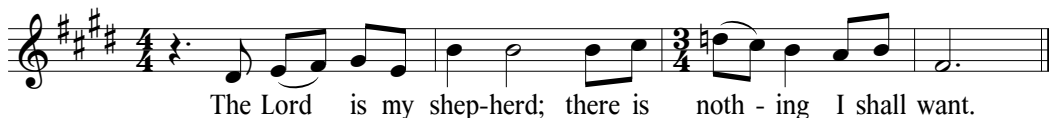


ALL: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM
SALMO RESPONSORIAL

PSALM 23
SALMO 22

LUKE MAYERNIK



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El Señor es mi pastor, nada me falta

Verses sung in English and Spanish. Translation:

El Señor es mi pastor, nada me falta: en verdes praderas me hace reposar
y hacia fuentes tranquilas me conduce para reparar mis fuerzas. *Response*

He guides me along the right path for the sake of his name.
Though I should walk in the valley of the shadow of death,
no evil would I fear, for you are with me.
Your crook and your staff will give me comfort. *Response*

Tú mismo me preparas la mesa, a despecho de mis adversarios;
me unges la cabeza con perfume y llenas mi copa hasta los bordes. *Response*

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life.
In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for length of days unending. *Response*

SECOND READING
SEGUNDA LECTURA

1 TIMOTHY 4:12-16
1 TIMOTEO 4, 12-16

English translation, read in Spanish

A reading from the first Letter of Saint Paul to Timothy

Beloved:

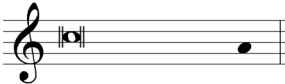
Let no one have contempt for your youth, but set an example
for those who believe, in speech, conduct, love, faith, and purity.

Until I arrive, attend to the reading, exhortation, and teaching.

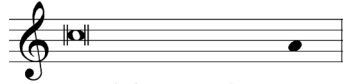
Do not neglect the gift you have, which was conferred on you
through the prophetic word with the imposition of hands
by the presbyterate.

Be diligent in these matters, be absorbed in them, so that your progress
may be evident to everyone.

Attend to yourself and to your teaching; persevere in both tasks,
for by doing so you will save both yourself and those who listen to you.



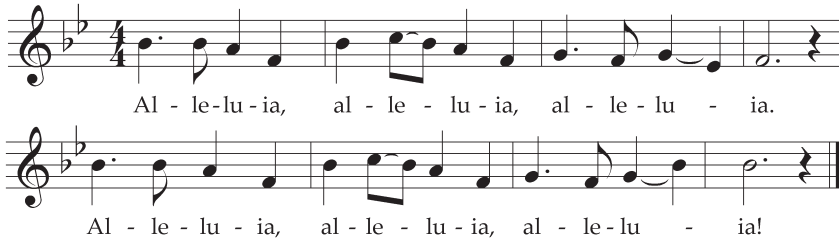
Cantor: Palabra de Dios.



ALL: Te alabamos, Se - ñor.

ACCLAMATION BEFORE THE GOSPEL

JAMES J. CHEPPONIS



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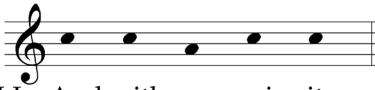
Spanish translation, sung in English

A ustedes los llamo amigos, dice el Señor,
porque les he dado a conocer todo lo que le he oído a mi Padre.

GOSPEL
EVANGELIO

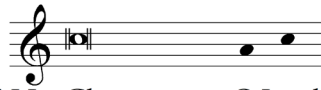
JOHN 10:11-16
JUAN 10, 11-16

Deacon: The Lord be with you.



ALL: And with your spir - it.

Deacon: The Holy Gospel according to John.



ALL: Glory to you, O Lord.

Spanish translation, read in English

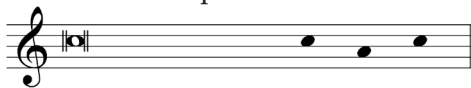
En aquel tiempo, Jesús dijo a los fariseos: “Yo soy el buen pastor.
El buen pastor da la vida por sus ovejas. En cambio, el asalariado,
el que no es el pastor ni el dueño de las ovejas, cuando ve venir al lobo,
abandona las ovejas y huye; el lobo se arroja sobre ellas y las dispersa,
porque a un asalariado no le importan las ovejas.

Yo soy el buen pastor, porque conozco a mis ovejas y ellas me conocen a mí,
así como el Padre me conoce a mí y yo conozco al Padre.

Yo doy la vida por mis ovejas.

Tengo además otras ovejas que no son de este redil
y es necesario que las traiga también a ellas;
escucharán mi voz y habrá un solo rebaño y un solo pastor”.

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.



ALL: Praise to you, Lord Je - sus Christ.

RITE *of* ORDINATION *of* PRIESTS

ELECTION *of* THE CANDIDATES

(*all sit*)

DEACON: Let those who are to be ordained Priests come forward.

The candidates respond "present."

Robert Thomas Bollinger
Peter Nho Van Nguyen
Przemyslaw Lukasz Rozestwinski
Edward Gibbons Town
Richard Scott Withers

*The Rector of the seminary presents to the Archbishop the candidates for Ordination
and, in the name of the Church, asks that they be ordained to the Priesthood.*

BISHOP CHYLINSKI: Most Reverend Father, holy Mother Church asks you
to ordain these men, our brothers, to the responsibility
of the Priesthood.

ARCHBISHOP PÉREZ: Do you know them to be worthy?

BISHOP CHYLINSKI: After inquiry among the Christian people and upon the
recommendation of those concerned with their formation,
I testify that they have been found worthy.

ARCHBISHOP PÉREZ: Relying on the help of the Lord God and of our Savior
Jesus Christ, we choose these our brothers for the Order
of the Priesthood.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

HOMILY

Archbishop Nelson J. Pérez

PROMISE *of* THE ELECT

*The elect are questioned as to their intention
in undertaking the Office of the Priesthood.*

LITANY of SUPPLICATION

<i>Cantor:</i>	<i>Assembly:</i>
Lord, have mer - cy	Lord, have mer - cy
Christ, have mer - cy	Christ, have mer - cy
Lord, have mer - cy	Lord, have mer - cy
(Invocations sung by cantor)	Pray for us
Lord, be mer - ci - ful From all e - vil From ev - 'ry sin	Lord, de - liv - er us, we pray
From ev - er last - ing death By your in - car - na - tion By your death and res - ur - rec - tion By the outpouring of the Ho - ly Spir - it	Lord, de - liv - er us, we pray
Be merciful to us sin - ners Govern and protect your ho - ly Church <i>cantor continues....</i>	Lord, we ask you, hear our prayer
Christ, hear us	Christ hear us
Christ, gra - cious - ly hear us	Christ, gra - cious - ly hear us

LAYING ON of HANDS

*Archbishop Pérez lays his hands on the head of each candidate,
followed by the other priests present.
During the course of the Laying on of Hands by the priests,
the faithful are invited to sit.*

PRAYER of ORDINATION

(all stand)

*With his hands extended over the candidates,
Archbishop Pérez pronounces the Prayer of Ordination.
The Laying on of Hands and the Prayer of Consecration
together constitute the essential elements of the Sacrament of Holy Orders.*

INVESTITURE WITH STOLE AND CHASUBLE

(all sit)

*Assisting priests come forward
to change the stoles of the newly ordained
from the Deacon position to that of the Priest.
They then vest them with the Chasuble.*

PSALM 110

ANTHONY J. DiCELLO



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ANOINTING of HANDS

*Archbishop Pérez then anoints the hands
of the newly ordained Priests with Sacred Chrism.*

HANDING OVER of THE BREAD AND WINE

*The Chalice and Paten that will be used at this Mass
are handed to the newly ordained Priests by Archbishop Pérez
on behalf of the People of God for the Celebration of the Lord's Sacrifice.*

FRATERNAL KISS

*Finally, Archbishop Pérez extends the Fraternal Kiss to the newly ordained Priests.
This gesture is then carried out by the newly ordained Priests' Sponsors,
the Pastors of their home parishes,
the Pastors of their diaconate assignment parishes,
and the Seminary Formation Faculty.*

PSALM 100

Chant

You are my friends, says the Lord, _____ if you do what

I com - mand _____ you, al - le - lu - ia.

LITURGY *of* THE EUCHARIST

PREPARATION *of* THE GIFTS

OFFERTORY

GREATER LOVE HATH NO MAN JOHN IRELAND (1879-1962)

Many waters cannot quench love, neither can the floods drown it. Love is strong as death.

Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.

Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree,

That we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness.

Ye are washed, ye are sanctified, ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus.

Ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation;

That ye should show forth the praises of him
who hath call'd you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

I beseech you brethren, by the mercies of God,
that you present your bodies, a living sacrifice, holy,
acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

SANCTUS

A COMMUNITY MASS

RICHARD PROULX

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts.

Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -

san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

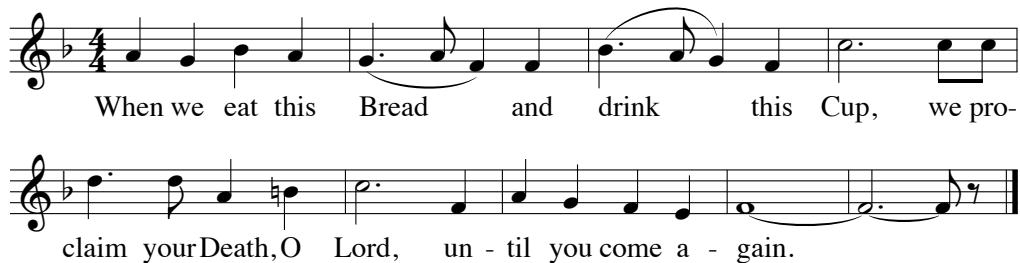
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MYSTERY of FAITH

A COMMUNITY MASS

RICHARD PROULX



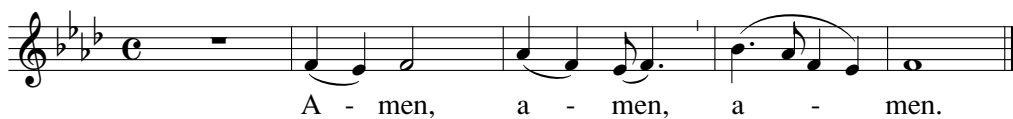
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AMEN

A COMMUNITY MASS

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COMMUNION RITE

LORD'S PRAYER

RITE of PEACE

AGNUS DEI

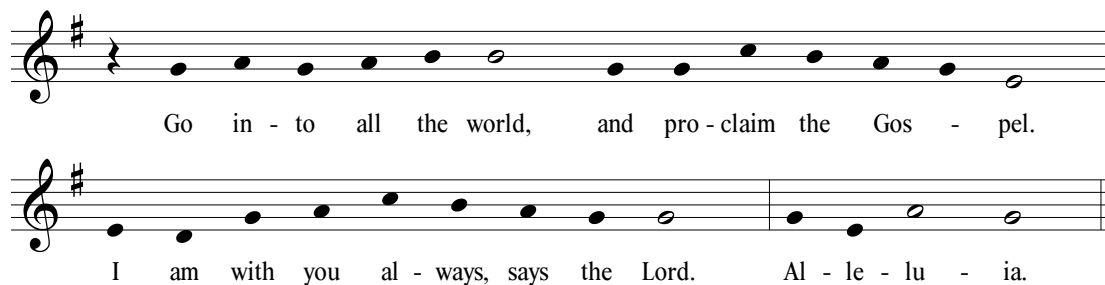
MISSA SERAPHICA

ANONYMOUS

Cathedral Basilica Choir
Archdiocesan Choir of Philadelphia

COMMUNION

PETER LATONA



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HYMN of PRAISE

THE LORD TO ME A SHEPHERD IS JEAN BERGER (1909-2002)
Cathedral Basilica Choir

The Lord to me a shepherd is, want therefore shall not I;
He in the folds of tender grass doth cause me down to lie.
To waters calm me gently leads, Restore my soul doth he;
He doth in paths of righteousness for his name's sake lead me.
Yea, though in valley of death's shade I walk, none ill I'll fear;
because thou art, thou art with me, thy rod and staff my comfort are.
For me a table thou hast spread, in presence of my foes;
Thou dost anoint my head with oil, my cup it overflows;
Goodness and mercy surely shall all my days follow me:
and in the Lord's house I shall dwell so long as days shall be,
and in the Lord's house I shall dwell so long as days shall be.
The Lord to me a shepherd is, want therefore shall not I.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

CONCLUDING RITES

GREETING AND SOLEMN BLESSING

THE FIRST BLESSING of THE NEWLY ORDAINED PRIESTS

DISMISSAL



1. O God, be-yond all prais-ing, we wor-ship you to -
2. The flow'r of earth - ly splen-dor in time must sure - ly
3. Then hear, O gra-cious Sav - ior, ac - cept the love we



day and sing the love a - maz-ing that songs can-not re -
die, its frag - ile bloom sur-ren - der to you, the Lord most
bring, that we who know your fa - vor may serve you as our



pay; for we can on - ly won - der at ev - 'ry gift you
high; but hid - den from all na - ture the e - ter - nal seed is
King; and wheth - er our to-mor-rows be filled with good or



send, at bless - ings with - out num - ber and
sown— though small in mor - tal stat - ure, to
ill, we'll tri - umph through our sor - rows and



mer - cies with - out end: we lift our hearts be -
heav-en's gar - den grown: for Christ the man from
rise to praise you still: to mar - vel at your



fore you and wait up - on your word, we
heav - en from death has set us free, and
beau - ty and glo - ry in your ways, and



hon - or and a - dore you, our great and might - y Lord.
we through him are giv - en the fi - nal vic - to - ry.
make a joy - ful du - ty our sac - ri - fice of praise.

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POSTLUDE

SUITE GOTHIQUE, OP. 25: TOCCATA

LÉON BOËLLMANN

LITURGICAL MUSIC MINISTRY

Frances Melgren, *Psalmist*
Jessica Kerler, *Cantor*

Ed Jakuboski, *Trumpet*
Jacob Flaschen, *Trumpet*
William Kerrigan, *Timpani*
Mark Loria, *Organ*

CATHEDRAL BASILICA CHOIR
ARCHDIOCESAN CHOIR of PHILADELPHIA

Ms. Charlene Angelini
Director of Cathedral Parish Music

GUIDELINES FOR THE RECEPTION *of* Holy Communion

For Catholics

As Catholics, we fully participate in the celebration of the Eucharist when we receive Holy Communion. We are encouraged to receive Communion devoutly and frequently. In order to be properly disposed to receive Communion, participants should not be conscious of grave sin and normally should have fasted for one hour. A person who is conscious of grave sin is not to receive the Body and Blood of the Lord without prior sacramental confession except for a grave reason where there is no opportunity for confession. In this case, the person is to be mindful of the obligation to make an act of perfect contrition, including the intention of confessing as soon as possible (canon 916). A frequent reception of the Sacrament of Penance is encouraged for all.

For our fellow Christians

We welcome our fellow Christians to this celebration of the Eucharist as our brothers and sisters. We pray that our common baptism and the action of the Holy Spirit in this Eucharist will draw us closer to one another and begin to dispel the sad divisions which separate us. We pray that these will lessen and finally disappear, in keeping with Christ's prayer for us "that they may all be one" (Jn 17:21).

Because Catholics believe that the celebration of the Eucharist is a sign of the reality of the oneness of faith, life, and worship, members of those churches with whom we are not yet fully united are ordinarily not admitted to Holy Communion. Eucharistic sharing in exceptional circumstances by other Christians requires permission according to the directives of the diocesan bishop and the provisions of canon law (canon 844 § 4). Members of the Orthodox Churches, the Assyrian Church of the East, and the Polish National Catholic Church are urged to respect the discipline of their own Churches. According to Roman Catholic discipline, the Code of Canon Law does not object to the reception of communion by Christians of these Churches (canon 844 § 3).

For those not receiving Holy Communion

All who are not receiving Holy Communion are encouraged to express in their hearts a prayerful desire for unity with the Lord Jesus and with one another.

For non-Christians

We also welcome to this celebration those who do not share our faith in Jesus Christ. While we cannot admit them to Holy Communion, we ask them to offer their prayers for the peace and the unity of the human family.

CATHEDRAL BASILICA *of* SAINTS PETER AND PAUL
AND THE SHRINE *of* SAINT KATHARINE DREXEL
PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA

Reverend Gerald Dennis Gill, *Rector*



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