

Response: Make a joyful noise, a joyful noise, unto God, all the earth.

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¹O sing to God á new song,
for God has done marvéulous things.

God's strong hand and hóly arm
have given God the victory.

²God has made kónown God's victory,
and has revealed God's vindication
in the sight óf the nations.

³God has remembered having steadfast
love and faithfulness to the house
of Israel.

All the ends of the earth have
seen the victory óf our God.

⁴Make a joyful noise to God,
áll the earth;
break forth into joyous song
ánd sing praises.

⁵Sing praises to God wíth the lyre,

with the lyre and the sound
of melody. *R*

⁶With trumpets and the sound óf
the horn

make a joyful noise before the
Rúler, the Sovereign.

⁷Let the sea roar, and áll that fills it;
the world and those who live in it.

⁸Let the floods élap their hands;
let the hills sing together for
joy ⁹at the presence of God;
for God is coming to júdge
the earth.

God will júdge the wórd
with righteousness,
and the peoples with equity. *R*

Holy Cross ABC vs. 1-5 (Alt).

THE EPISTLE A reading from the Second Letter to the Thessalonians.

II Thes 3:6-13

Now we command you, beloved, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from believers who are living in idleness and not according to the tradition that they received from us. For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not idle when we were with you, and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it; but with toil and labor we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you. This was not because we do not have that right, but in order to give you an example to imitate. For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: Anyone unwilling to work should not eat. For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work. Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right. *Reader:* The Word of the Lord. **People:** Thanks be to God.

The Gradual Hymn

“Come, ye thankful people, come”

Hymnal 1982, 290

Gospelor: The Lord be with you. **People: And also with you.**

Gospelor: The Holy Gospel ✠ of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, Jesus said, "As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down." They asked him, "Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?" And he said, "Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and, 'The time is near!' Do not go after them. "When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately." Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven. "But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. This will give you an opportunity to testify. So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance; for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your souls."

Gospeler: The Gospel of the Lord. **People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

SERMON (*The People are seated*)

Bishop Ahrens

Sermon Hymn

"Amazing grace"

Hymnal 1982, 671

THE RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL VOWS

The People face the Baptismal Font

Bishop: Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Answer: I renounce them.

Bishop: Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Answer: I renounce them.

Bishop: Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Answer: I renounce them.

Bishop: Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

Answer: I do.

Bishop: Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Answer: I do.

Bishop: Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

Answer: I do.

Bishop: Do you believe in God the Father?

People: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Bishop: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People: I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Bishop: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People: I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Bishop: Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People: I will, with God's help.

Bishop: Will you persevere in resisting evil, and whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People: I will, with God's help.

Bishop: Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People: I will, with God's help.

Bishop: Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People: I will, with God's help.

Bishop: Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People: I will, with God's help.

The Bishop says:

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and forever. **AMEN.**

Prayers of the People

Intercessor: Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

Response: That we all may be one.

Intercessor: Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

Response: That your Name may be glorified by all people.

Intercessor: Remembering Jeffrey and Laura, our bishops. We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

Response: That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

Intercessor: For an end of the war in Ukraine; for Joseph, our President, the Congress and the Supreme Court; and for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world, we pray... **Response:** That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Intercessor: For guidance in calling a new rector of this parish, we pray. Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

Response: That our works may find favor in your sight.

Intercessor: Remembering all on our parish prayer list, especially ...we pray, Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

Response: That they may be delivered from their distress.

Intercessor: Remembering especially our loved ones, we pray. Give to the departed eternal rest. **Response:** Let light perpetual shine upon them.

Intercessor: We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

Response: May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Intercessor: Let us pray for this university community, for students, faculty and staff, that they may find a place of welcome and support at St. Mark's, that we might hear the voice of God in worship, prayer and praise, and that together we may discover within ourselves the gifts of the Holy Spirit. **Silence**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Bishop: Almighty God....

Please stand

THE PEACE

Bishop: The peace of the Lord be always with you. *People:* **And also with you.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GREETING *(Please be seated)*

Offertory Hymn *"All people that on earth do dwell"* **Hymnal 1982, 377**

Bishop: The Lord be with you. **People** **And also with you.**

Bishop: Lift up your hearts. **People** **We lift them to the Lord.**

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

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

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world. Therefore we praise you

Sanctus **1982 Hymnal, S-124**

**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 come is the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life. On the night before he died for us, our Lord

Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

**All: We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly

country where, with The Blessed Virgin Mary, St. Mark, and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. **Amen**

THE FRACTION ANTHEM (*All singing*)

1982 Hymnal S-154

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
therefore let us keep the feast.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

Bishop: The Gifts of God for the People of God...

All are invited to come forward for Holy Communion. If you prefer not to receive the bread and wine, you may come forward to the rail and cross your arms over your chest as a sign that you choose to receive a blessing instead. Gluten free wafers are available.

Anthem at Holy Communion

“*Song of the Wanderer*”

Forrest

*The barren land around me lies
My flame is burning low
Cold and pale the winter skies
And I am far from home.
With my light that burns so dim,
Am I visible to Him?
Does He hear the fragile song of
creatures here below?
He wakes the lark and bids her fly
To greet the coming spring,
Wakes our hearts and bids us rise
Then gives our spirits wing.
He speaks, and winter melts away,*

*Hears us when we come to pray,
Turns our nighttime into day –
Our Light, our Life, our King.
Glorious joy of summer sun,
The gentle healing rain,
Banishing our tears and sighs,
With beauty for our pain.
Earth and sky, lay glory by-
Christ the Lord is drawing nigh!
All creation, bow to Him
From whom all blessings flow!
Blows the wind, and soon will come
The autumn of the year*

*With its golden light of love
Still shining ever clear.
From the rising of the sun
To the place where day is done,
Peace on earth has now begun
To cast away our fear.
[Praise God from whom all blessings
flow
Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above ye heavenly host
Praise Father, Son, and Holy
Ghost.]*

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (The people stand)

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Bishop: Let us pray.

***All:* Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

THE EPISCOPAL BLESSING

Mission Hymn

“*Come, thou fount*”

1982 Hymnal, 686

Dismissal

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

“*Come Christian Folk*”

BWV 612, J.S. Bach



- **Today's undesignated offering goes to the Bishop's Discretionary Fund for support of emergencies and non-budgeted ministries.**
- **Join the St. Mark's Walk for Warmth Team!**
 Register for the Walk: <https://www.pledgereg.com/4503/t/stmarksepiscopalchapel>
 Walk begins at 2:15, Meet outside St. Mary's Church in Willimantic and we'll walk together! If you cannot walk on that day, please support the St. Mark's Team by check (made out to St. Mark's Chapel with Walk for Warmth in the memo line), or donating at the link above.

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Join us for WAIM's
30th Annual Walk for Warmth

WHEN

Sunday, November 20

WHERE

A two-mile walk around Willimantic departing from St. Mary Church immediately after the Interfaith Service.

WHY

To help our neighbors stay safely housed and warm this winter.

Interfaith Thanksgiving Service

1:30 pm St. Mary Church
46 Valley Street, Willimantic

REGISTRATION

www.waimct.org/events/walk-for-warmth/
www.runreg.com/walk-for-warmth
Day-of registration @
St. Mary-St. Joseph School
35 Valley Street, Willimantic
12:30 - 2:15 p.m.



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