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**Fourth Sunday of Lent (Laetare Sunday)**

**March 30, 2025**

**Taste and see  
the goodness of the Lord.**

*Psalm 34*

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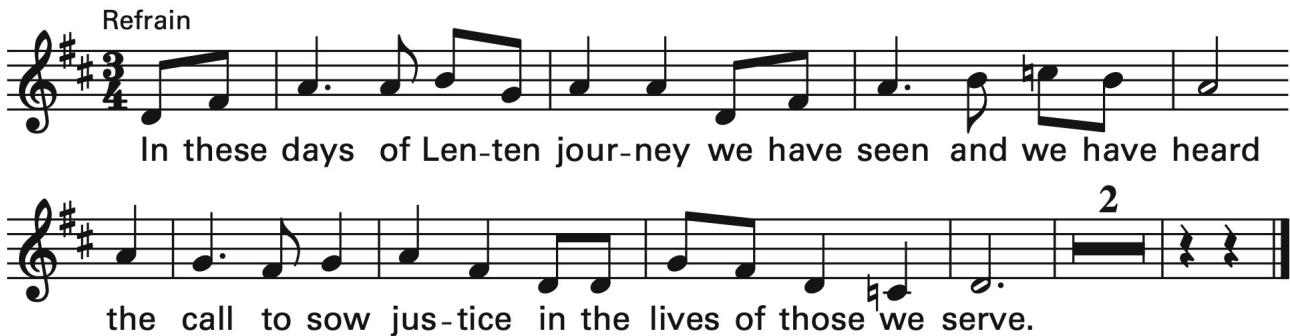
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*Prelude Song*

# IN THESE DAYS OF LENTEN JOURNEY

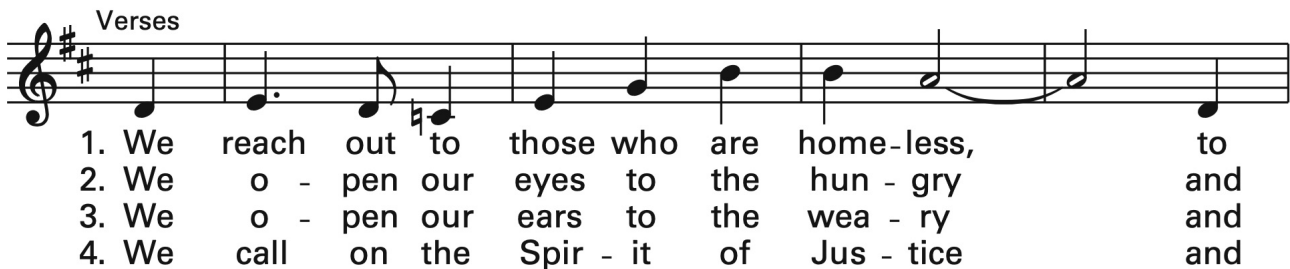
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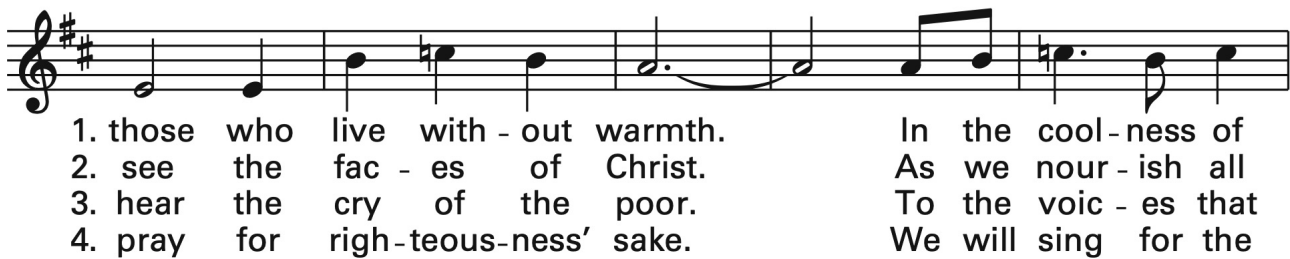


In these days of Len-ten jour-ney we have seen and we have heard  
the call to sow jus-tice in the lives of those we serve.


Verses



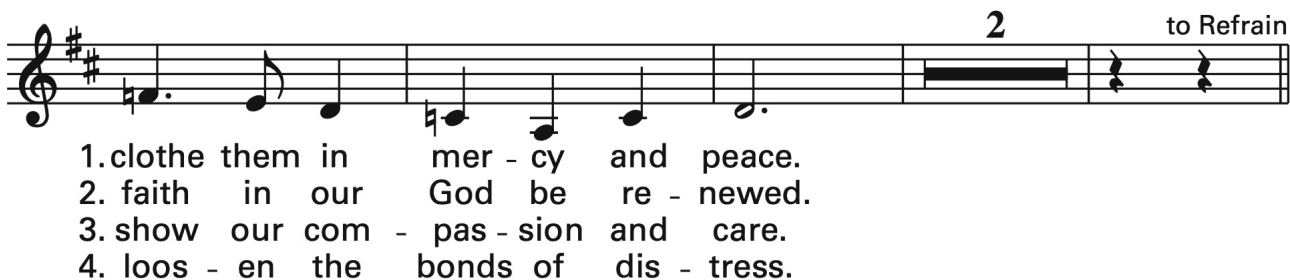
1. We reach out to those who are home-less, to  
2. We o - pen our eyes to the hun - gry and  
3. We o - pen our ears to the wea - ry and  
4. We call on the Spir - it of Jus - tice and



1. those who live with - out warmth. In the cool-ness of  
2. see the fac - es of Christ. As we nour - ish all  
3. hear the cry of the poor. To the voic - es that  
4. pray for righ-teous-ness' sake. We will sing for the



1. eve - ning we'll shel - ter their dreams; we will  
2. peo - ple who hun - ger for food, may their  
3. ech - o the song of de - spair, we will  
4. free - dom of all the op - pressed; we will



1. clothe them in mer - cy and peace.  
2. faith in our God be re - newed.  
3. show our com - pas - sion and care.  
4. loos - en the bonds of dis - tress.

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## THE INTRODUCTORY RITES (GATHERING)

### *Entrance Antiphon*

Cf. Isaiah 66:10-11

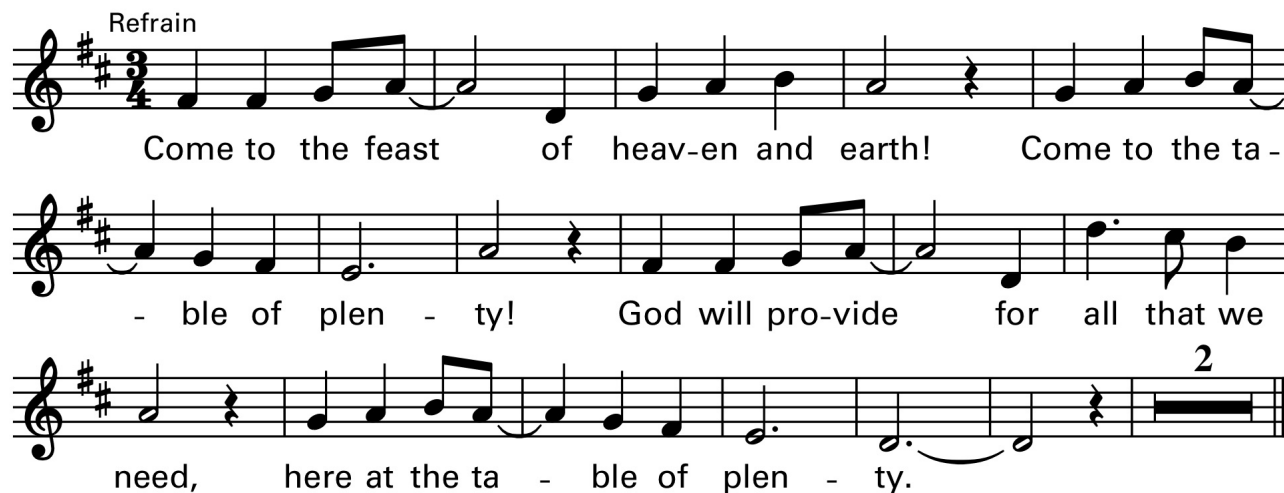
Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her. Be joyful, all who were in mourning; exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast.

Entrance Hymn (verse 1) (Please stand.)

## TABLE OF PLENTY

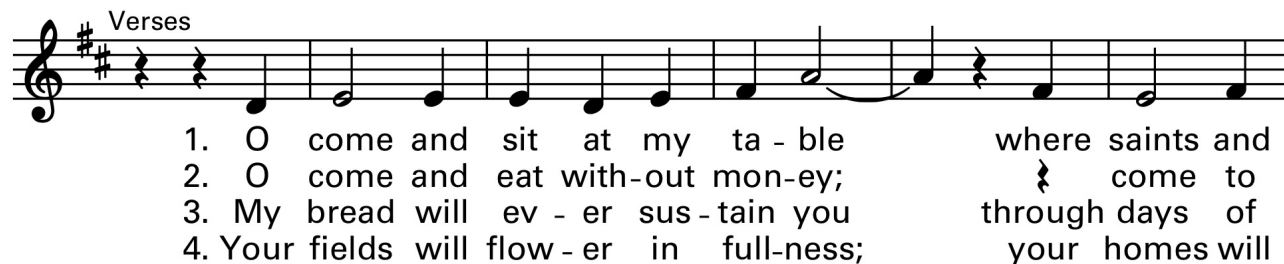
Dan Schutte

Refrain



Come to the feast of heav-en and earth! Come to the ta-  
- ble of plen - ty! God will pro-vide for all that we  
need, here at the ta - ble of plen - ty.

Verses

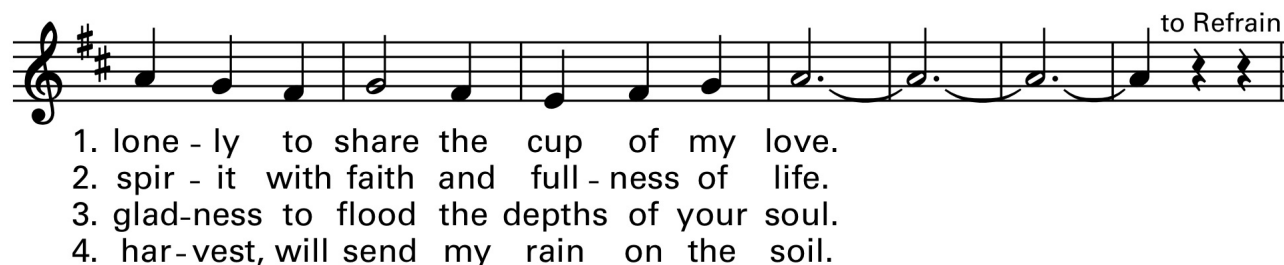


1. O come and sit at my ta - ble where saints and  
2. O come and eat with-out mon-ey; & come to  
3. My bread will ev - er sus - tain you through days of  
4. Your fields will flow - er in full-ness; your homes will



1. sin - ners are friends. I wait to wel-come the lost and  
2. drink with - out price. My feast of glad-ness will feed your  
3. sor - row and woe. My wine will flow like a sea of  
4. flour - ish in peace. For I, the giv - er of home and

to Refrain



1. lone - ly to share the cup of my love.  
2. spir - it with faith and full - ness of life.  
3. glad-ness to flood the depths of your soul.  
4. har-vest, will send my rain on the soil.

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### Greeting

**Priest:** *In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.*

(All make the Sign of the Cross.) **Amen.**

**Priest:** *The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ...be with you all.* **And with your spirit.**

## Penitential Act

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;  
(Strike breast) 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.

Priest/Deacon: *May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life. Amen.*

Priest/Deacon: *Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy.*

Priest/Deacon: *Christ have mercy. Christ have mercy.*

Priest/Deacon: *Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy.*

## Collect

(After the Priest says the Collect, all respond.) **Amen.** (Please be seated.)

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

### First Reading

Joshua 5:9a, 10-12

*A reading from the Book of Joshua*

The LORD said to Joshua,  
“Today I have removed the reproach of Egypt from you.”

While the Israelites were encamped at Gilgal on the plains of Jericho,  
they celebrated the Passover  
on the evening of the fourteenth of the month.

On the day after the Passover,  
they ate of the produce of the land  
in the form of unleavened cakes and parched grain.

On that same day after the Passover,  
on which they ate of the produce of the land, the manna ceased.

No longer was there manna for the Israelites,  
who that year ate of the yield of the land of Canaan.

*The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.*

### Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, R. v.9a



**R. Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.**

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I will bless the LORD at all times;  
his praise shall be ever in my mouth.

Let my soul glory in the LORD;  
the lowly will hear me and be glad.

**R. Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.**

Glorify the LORD with me,  
let us together extol his name.

I sought the LORD, and he answered me  
and delivered me from all my fears.

**R. Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.**

Look to him that you may be radiant with joy,  
and your faces may not blush with shame.

When the poor one called out, the LORD heard,  
and from all his distress he saved him.

**R. Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.**

## Second Reading

2 Corinthians 5:17-21

*A reading from the second Letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians*

Brothers and sisters:

Whoever is in Christ is a new creation:

the old things have passed away;

behold, new things have come.

And all this is from God,

who has reconciled us to himself through Christ

and given us the ministry of reconciliation,

namely, God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ,

not counting their trespasses against them

and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation.

So we are ambassadors for Christ,

as if God were appealing through us.

We implore you on behalf of Christ,

be reconciled to God.

For our sake he made him to be sin who did not know sin,

so that we might become the righteousness of God in him.

*The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.*

## Gospel Acclamation and Verse

Luke 15:18

(Please stand.)



**R. Praise to you, Lord Je-sus Christ, King of end-less glo-ry!**

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I will get up and go to my Father and shall say to him:

Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you.

## Gospel

Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

*The Lord be with you.* **And with your spirit.**

*The reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.* **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to listen to Jesus, but the Pharisees and scribes began to complain, saying, "This man welcomes sinners and eats with them."

So to them Jesus addressed this parable:

"A man had two sons, and the younger son said to his father, 'Father give me the share of your estate that should come to me.'

So the father divided the property between them.

After a few days, the younger son collected all his belongings and set off to a distant country

where he squandered his inheritance on a life of dissipation.

When he had freely spent everything,

a severe famine struck that country,

and he found himself in dire need.

So he hired himself out to one of the local citizens

who sent him to his farm to tend the swine.

And he longed to eat his fill of the pods on which the swine fed, but nobody gave him any.

Coming to his senses he thought,

'How many of my father's hired workers

have more than enough food to eat,

but here am I, dying from hunger.

I shall get up and go to my father and I shall say to him,

"Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you.

I no longer deserve to be called your son;

treat me as you would treat one of your hired workers.'"

So he got up and went back to his father.

While he was still a long way off,

his father caught sight of him, and was filled with compassion.

He ran to his son, embraced him and kissed him.

His son said to him,

'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you;

I no longer deserve to be called your son.'

But his father ordered his servants,

'Quickly bring the finest robe and put it on him;

put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet.

Take the fattened calf and slaughter it.

Then let us celebrate with a feast,

because this son of mine was dead, and has come to life again;

he was lost, and has been found.'

Then the celebration began.

Now the older son had been out in the field  
and, on his way back, as he neared the house,  
he heard the sound of music and dancing.  
He called one of the servants and asked what this might mean.  
The servant said to him,  
'Your brother has returned  
and your father has slaughtered the fattened calf  
because he has him back safe and sound.'  
He became angry,  
and when he refused to enter the house,  
his father came out and pleaded with him.  
He said to his father in reply,  
'Look, all these years I served you  
and not once did I disobey your orders;  
yet you never gave me even a young goat to feast on with my friends.  
But when your son returns  
who swallowed up your property with prostitutes,  
for him you slaughter the fattened calf.'  
He said to him,  
'My son, you are here with me always;  
everything I have is yours.  
But now we must celebrate and rejoice,  
because your brother was dead and has come to life again;  
he was lost and has been found.'"

*The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.*

**Homily** (Please be seated.)



**Profession of Faith (Nicene Creed)** (Please stand.)

**I believe in one God, the Father 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,**

*(At the words that follow, up to and including "and became man," all bow.)*

**and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.**

**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.**

**Universal Prayer (Prayers of the Faithful)** (Please stand.)

## LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

### Hymn for Presentation of the Gifts and Preparation of the Altar (verses 1-3)

(Please be seated.)

#### AMAZING GRACE

NEW BRITAIN



1. A - maz - ing grace! How sweet the sound That saved \*a
2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, And grace my
3. The Lord has prom - ised good to me, His word my
4. Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares, I have al -
5. When we've been there ten thou - sand years, Bright shin - ing



1. wretch like me! I once was lost, but
2. fears re - lieved; How pre - cious did that
3. hope se - cures; He will my shield and
4. read - y come; 'Tis grace has brought me
5. as the sun, We've no less days to



1. now am found, Was blind but now I see.
2. grace ap - pear The hour I first be - lieved!
3. por - tion be As long as life en - dures.
4. safe thus far, And grace will lead me home.
5. sing God's praise Than when we'd first be - gun.

\*Alternate text: "and set me free!"

Text: CM; verses 1-4, John Newton, 1725-1807; verse 5, anon., fr. *A Collection of Sacred Ballads*, 1790.  
Music: *Columbian Harmony*, 1829.

### Presentation of the Gifts and Preparation of the Altar

**Priest:** *...that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father,"*

(Please stand.) **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.**

### Prayer over the Offerings

**Amen**

### Preface

**Priest:** *The Lord be with you. And with your spirit.*

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

**Priest:** *Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right and just.*

### 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.

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(Please kneel.)

### Mystery of Faith

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we pro-

claim your Death, O Lord, un-til you come a-gain.

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### Amen

(Please stand.)

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

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### Our Father

**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.

Priest: *Deliver us, Lord ... the coming of our Savior Jesus Christ.*

**For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and forever.**

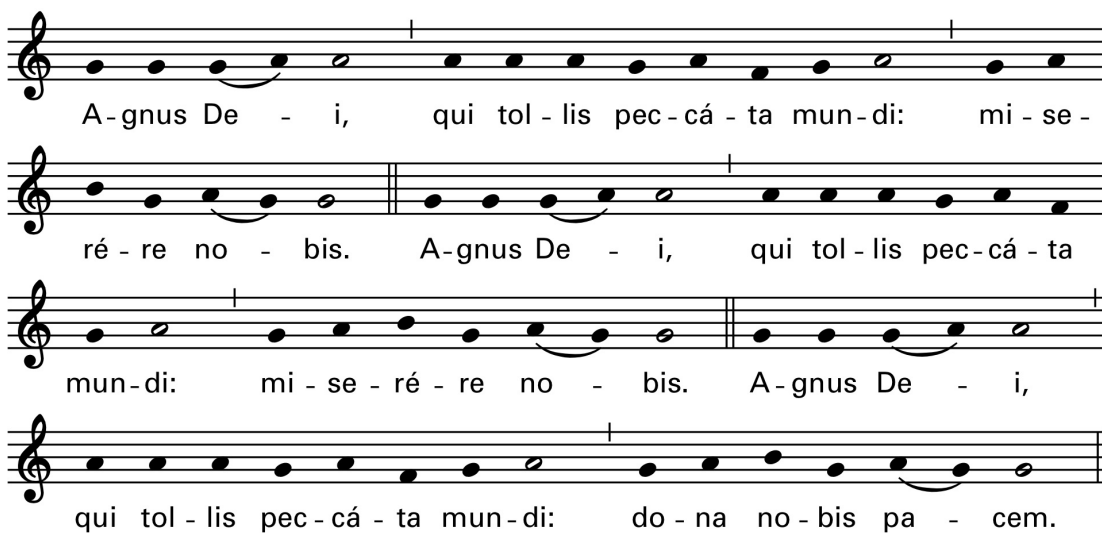
Priest: *Lord Jesus Christ ... Who live and reign for ever and ever. Amen*

Priest: *The peace of the Lord be with you always. And with your spirit.*

### Sign of Peace

### Lamb of God

#### AGNUS DEI XVIII



A-g-nus De - i, qui tol - lis pec - cá - ta mun - di: mi - se -  
ré - re no - bis. A-g-nus De - i, qui tol - lis pec - cá - ta  
mun - di: mi - se - ré - re no - bis. A-g-nus De - i,  
qui tol - lis pec - cá - ta mun - di: do - na no - bis pa - cem.

Text and music: Chant; *Graduale Romanum*, 1974.

(Please kneel.)

### Communion

Priest: *Behold the Lamb of God ... Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.*

**Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.**

### Act of Spiritual Communion

**My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.**

**I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.**

**Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,  
come at least spiritually into my heart.**

**I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.**

**Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.**

### Communion Antiphon

Luke 15: 32

You must rejoice, my son, for your brother was dead and has come to life; he was lost and is found.

Communion Hymn

**TASTE AND SEE (PSALM 34)**

Bob Hurd

Refrain




Taste and see, O taste and see, taste and see the

Verses 1, 2




good-ness of God. 1. Glo - ry, glo - ry to God most high,  
2. Who has fash-ioned the earth and sky,



1. glo - ry, bless-ing and praise. With one voice, O peo-ple, re-  
2. who cre - a - ted the deep, who ex - alts the low - ly and

to Refrain



1. joice in our God, who hears \_ the cry of all \_ in need. O  
2. sets cap-tives free, who o-pens the door to all those who seek. O

Verse 3



3. Oh, the love of God! Be-come flesh of our flesh,

to Refrain



3. so that we might live in glo - ry. O

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Prayer after Communion

**THE CONCLUDING RITES**

Greeting and Blessing

(Please stand.)

**Priest:** *The Lord be with you. And with your spirit.*

**Priest:** *May almighty God bless you, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen*


Dismissal

**Deacon/Priest:** *Go in peace. Thanks be to God.*

# SAVE YOUR PEOPLE

Jim Farrell

Refrain




Save your peo-ple, O Lord. Show us the way to come




home. We have been wan-der-ing far from your love. Save your

Verses



peo-ple, O Lord.


1. One thing I ask, O
2. For you will hide me in the
3. Lis - ten, O Lord, to the
4. Thus will I bless you all the



1. Lord, this I seek: to dwell for - ev - er in your
2. shel - ter of your wings and from the ar - rows of my
3. sound of my call, for I ac - knowl - edge my of -
4. days of my life. Lift - ing my hands, I call your



1. house, that I may gaze on your love - li - ness
2. foes. You set me high on a moun-tain-top,
3. fense. Wash me and I shall be pur - i - fied.
4. name: "O Lord, re - mem - ber your in - her - i - tance.



to Refrain

1. all the days of my life.
2. saved me from my dis - tress.
3. I shall be whit - er than snow.
4. Save your peo - ple, O Lord!"