

**Welcome to Saint Matthew Ecumenical Catholic Church!**  
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**The Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**



**We are an emergent church practicing  
an ancient faith in new ways,  
a church of inclusivity where  
All Are Welcome!**  
**-- +Peter Hickman**

## OUR ORDER OF WORSHIP

### Introductory Rite

Gathering Song: TABLE OF PLENTY

#### *Refrain*

*Come to the feast of heaven and earth!  
Come to the table of plenty!  
God will provide for all that we need,  
here at the table of plenty.*

**1. O come and sit at my table  
where saints and sinners are friends.  
I wait to welcome the lost and lonely  
to share the cup of my love.**

#### *Refrain*

**2. O come and eat without money;  
come to drink without price.  
My feast of gladness will feed your spirit  
with faith and fullness of life.**

#### *Refrain*

### ***Greeting***

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

**ALL: AMEN.**

*Priest: the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God  
and the Communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.*

**ALL: AND ALSO WITH YOU.**

**Presider: Coming together as God's family,  
with confidence let us ask  
the Father's forgiveness,  
for he is full of gentleness and compassion**

**ALL: I confess to almighty God, and to you,  
my brothers and sisters,  
that I have sinned through my own fault,  
in my thoughts, and  
my words, in what I have done,  
and in what I have failed to do; And 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.**

**PENITENTIAL RITE**

**Presider: Lord Jesus Christ,  
You have come to reveal to us the love of your  
Father. Lord, have mercy! All: Lord, have mercy!**

**Presider: Lord Jesus Christ,  
You invite us to come to you  
when we are weary and  
that you will refresh us. Christ, have mercy!**

**All: Christ, have mercy!**

**Presider: Lord Jesus Christ,  
You are gentle and humble of heart  
and your yoke is easy and your burden is light.**

**Lord, have mercy!**

**All: Lord, have mercy!**

**Presider: May Almighty God have mercy on us,  
forgive us our sins,  
and bring us to life everlasting.**

**All: Amen.**

***Gloria***

***Refrain: Glory to God in the highest!  
Peace to all people on earth.  
Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God on High!***

***1. Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory. (Refrain)***

***2. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world,  
have mercy upon us.***

***You are seated at the right hand of the Father,  
receive our prayer. (Refrain)***

***3. You alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit in the glory of God the Father.  
(Refrain)***

***Opening Prayer***

## **LITURGY OF THE WORD**

*please be seated*

***1st Reading from the book of Genesis ( 18:1-10a)***

*Psalm Response:*

**"THEY WHO DO JUSTICE  
WILL LIVE IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD.  
THEY WHO DO JUSTICE  
WILL LIVE IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD."**

***Second Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Church at  
Colossae. (1:24-28)***

***Gospel Acclamation***

*please stand*

**ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA!  
ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA!**

***The Gospel Reading Deacon/ Priest:***

***A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke (10:38-42)***

**ALL: GLORY TO YOU, LORD**

***The gospel is read. When the reading is over:***

***Deacon/Priest: This is the Gospel of the Lord.***

**ALL: PRAISE TO YOU, LORD JESUS CHRIST!**

**ALL SING: ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA!**

**ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA!**

***Homily***

## ***THE NICENE CREED***

***We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is seen and unseen.  
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made, one in Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he was born of the Virgin Mary, and became man.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,  
he suffered, died, and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in fulfillment of 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.  
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father.  
With the Father and the Son  
he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the Prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism  
for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.***

## ***Prayers of the Faithful***

***Our Response is:  
“Holy God, hear us!”***

## ***The Sign of Peace***

***Presider: Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles....***

***...where you live forever and ever. ALL: AMEN.***

***The Peace of the Lord be with you always.***

***ALL: AND ALSO WITH YOU.***

***Let us offer one another a sign of peace!***

## **LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST**

### ***The Giving of our Gifts***

***Presider: Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation.***

***Through your goodness we have this bread to offer,  
which***

***earth has given and human hands have made. It will  
become***

***for us the bread of life.***

***ALL: BLESSED BE GOD FOREVER!***

***Presider: Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation.***

***Through your goodness we have this wine to offer, fruit  
of the vine and work of human hands. It will become  
our cup of salvation.***

***ALL: BLESSED BE GOD FOREVER!***

***Song at the Offertory: WE ARE MANY PARTS***

***Refrain***

***We are many parts, we are all one body.  
And the gifts we have we are given to share.  
May the Spirit of love, make us one indeed.  
One, the love that we share; one, our hope in despair,  
one, the cross that we bear.***

***1. God of all, we look to you,  
we would be your servants true,  
let us be your love to all the world.***

***Refrain***

***2. So my pain is pain for you,  
in your joy is my joy too,  
all is brought together in the Lord!***

***Refrain***

***3. All you seekers great and small,  
seek the greatest gift of all***

***if you love then you will know the Lord.***

***Refrain***

***Presider: Pray, my brothers and sisters, that our sacrifice  
may be acceptable to God, who is for us both Mother and  
Father.***

***ALL: MAY THE LORD ACCEPT THE SACRIFICE AT YOUR  
HANDS, FOR THE PRAISE AND THE GLORY OF GOD'S NAME,  
FOR OUR GOOD AND THE GOOD OF ALL GOD'S CHURCH.***

***Eucharistic Prayer                      Introductory Dialogue                      Preface  
Presider: The Lord be with you. ALL: AND ALSO WITH YOU.  
Presider: Lift up your hearts.***

***ALL: WE LIFT THEM UP TO THE LORD.***

***Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.***

***ALL: IT IS RIGHT TO GIVE GOD THANKS AND PRAISE.***



**The Holy**

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna on High!**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name,  
who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna on High!**

*The Eucharistic Prayer continues.....*

*Words of Consecration:*

**"TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND EAT IT.  
THIS IS MY BODY WHICH WILL BE GIVEN UP FOR YOU."**

**"TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND DRINK FROM IT.  
THIS IS THE CUP OF MY BLOOD, THE BLOOD OF THE NEW  
AND EVERLASTING COVENANT.  
IT WILL BE SHED FOR YOU AND FOR ALL SO THAT SINS MAY  
BE FORGIVEN. DO THIS IN MEMORY OF ME."**

**The Memorial Acclamation**

**Christ has died, but He is risen, Christ will come again.**

**Doxology**

**Through him, with him, and in him,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all glory and honor is yours,  
Almighty Father, forever and ever.  
Amen. Amen. Amen.**

## **COMMUNION RITE**

### ***The Lord's Prayer***

#### **Lamb of God**

*Oh Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us.*

*Oh Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us.*

*Oh Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,  
grant us your peace. Grant us your peace*

#### **Communion**

*ALL are welcome to receive Holy Communion*

#### **Communion Song: : I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE**

**1. I am the Bread of life.**

**You who come to me shall not hunger;  
and who believe in me shall not thirst.**

**No one can come to me unless the Father beckons.**

**Refrain**

**And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up,  
and I will raise you up on the last day.**

**2. The bread that I will give  
is my flesh for the life of the world,  
and if you eat of this bread,  
you shall live forever,  
you shall live forever.**

**Refrain**

**3. Unless you eat of the flesh of the Son of Man  
and drink of his blood, and drink of his blood,  
you shall not have life within you.**

**Refrain**

**4. I am the Resurrection, I am the life.  
If you believe in me, even though you die,  
you shall live forever.**

**Refrain**

**5. Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Christ,  
the Son of God, who has come into the world.**

**Refrain**

## **CONCLUDING RITE**

***Communion Meditation***

***Prayer after Communion***

***Dismissal***

***Closing Song: WE WILL SERVE THE LORD***

**1. Power is a hunger, burning in the breast,  
to walk among the mighty and trample on the rest.  
Some will choose to gain it by lie or guile or sword,  
but as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord!**

**Refrain**

**As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord,  
we will serve the Lord, we will serve the Lord!  
As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord,  
we will serve the Lord, we will serve the Lord!**

**2. Father of all mercy, giver of all life,  
here we speak our covenant above the noisy strife.  
Hear us shout in glory above the pagan horde:  
as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord!**

**Refrain**

**Have a blessed week!**