

**Welcome to Saint Matthew Ecumenical Catholic Church!**

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## **BE READY FOR CHRIST**



**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: **ENTER THE JOURNEY**

#### **Refrain**

**Enter the journey. Come to the song.  
By God you are chosen, by name you are called  
to follow the vision, carry the cross.  
Enter the journey of faith as the fam'ly of God.**

**1. Enter the journey, the way may be long.  
Enter the journey, yet we are made strong.  
God's spirit will guide us, God's gifts will unfold.  
Enter the journey of hope!**

**2. Enter the journey, though lost and unsure.  
Enter the journey, God's peace will be yours.  
And all who are thirsting be filled with God's grace.  
Enter the journey of faith!**

**3. Enter the journey, though dark is the way.  
Enter the journey, do not be afraid,  
for God's great compassion will give you new sight.  
Enter the journey of light!**

**4. Enter the journey, the old and the young.  
Enter the journey, the kingdom is won.  
By faith now united, as servants we come.  
Enter the journey of love!**

#### **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 send us into the world to  
proclaim the love of your Father. Lord, have mercy!**

**ALL: LORD, HAVE MERCY**

**Presider : Lord Jesus Christ, You invite us to follow you in the  
way of wisdom and love. Lord have mercy!**

**ALL: LORD, HAVE MERCY**

**Presider: Lord Jesus Christ**

**You invite us receive the gift of God's forgiveness  
and peace. Christ, have mercy!**

**ALL: CHRIST, HAVE MERCY**

**Presider: Lord Jesus Christ,**

**You invite us to come  
to your heavenly banqueting  
table. Lord, have mercy!**

**ALL: LORD, HAVE MERCY**

**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 Wisdom  
(18:6-9)**

*Psalm Response:*

**"LORD, LET YOUR MERCY BE ON US  
AS WE PLACE OUR TRUST IN YOU!"**

**2nd reading from the Letter to the Hebrews. (11:1-2,8-19)**

**Gospel Acclamation**

*please stand*

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

**The Gospel Reading Deacon/ Priest:**

**A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke (12:32-48)**

**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:  
“Loving God, Hear our prayer!”***

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

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

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

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

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

***Presider: 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: RAIN DOWN***

**Refrain:**

**RAIN DOWN, RAIN DOWN,  
RAIN DOWN YOUR LOVE ON YOUR PEOPLE.  
RAIN DOWN, RAIN DOWN,  
RAIN DOWN YOUR LOVE, GOD OF LIFE.**

- 1. FAITHFUL AND TRUE IS THE WORD OF OUR GOD.  
ALL OF GOD'S WORKS ARE SO WORTHY OF TRUST.  
GOD'S MERCY FALLS ON THE JUST AND THE RIGHT;  
FULL OF GOD'S LOVE IS THE EARTH. (Refrain)**
- 2. WE WHO REVERE AND FIND HOPE IN OUR GOD  
LIVE IN THE KINDNESS AND JOY OF GOD'S WING.  
GOD WILL PROTECT US FROM DARKNESS AND DEATH;  
GOD WILL NOT LEAVE US TO STARVE. (Refrain)**
- 3. GOD OF CREATION, WE LONG FOR YOUR TRUTH;  
YOU ARE THE WATER OF LIFE THAT WE THIRST.  
GRANT THAT YOUR LOVE AND YOUR PEACE TOUCH OUR  
HEARTS, ALL OF OUR HOPE IS IN YOU.**

***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: BE NOT AFRAID**

**1. You shall cross the barren desert,  
but you shall not die of thirst.**

**You shall wander far in safety  
though you do not know the way.**

**You shall speak your words in foreign lands  
and all will understand.**

**You shall see the face of God and live.**

#### **Refrain**

**Be not afraid. I go before you always.  
Come, follow me, and I will give you rest.**

**2. If you pass through raging waters in the sea,  
you shall not drown.**

**If you walk amid the burning flames,  
you shall not be harmed.**

**If you stand before the pow'r of hell  
and death is at your side,  
know that I am with you through it all.**

#### **Refrain**

**3. Blessed are your poor,  
for the kingdom shall be theirs.  
Blest are you that weep and mourn,  
for one day you shall laugh.  
And if wicked tongues insult and hate you  
all because of me, blessed, blessed are you!  
Refrain**

## **CONCLUDING RITE**

***Prayer after Communion  
Dismissal***

***Closing Song: IN THE DAY OF THE LORD***

***Refrain  
In the day of the Lord, the sun will shine  
like the dawn of eternal day.  
All creation will rise to dance and sing  
the glory of the Lord!***

**1. And on that day will justice triumph,  
on that day will all be free:  
free from want, free from fear, free to live!  
Refrain**

**Have a blessed week!**