



# UNIVERSITY OF ST. FRANCIS

Commencement Liturgy | May 8, 2021



### UNIVERSITY MISSION

As a Catholic university rooted in the liberal arts, we are a welcoming community of learners challenged by Franciscan values and charism, engaged in a continuous pursuit of knowledge, faith, wisdom, and justice, and ever mindful of a tradition that emphasizes reverence for creation, compassion and peacemaking. We strive for academic excellence in all programs, preparing women and men to contribute to the world through service and leadership.

### UNIVERSITY VALUES

Respect

Compassion

Integrity

Service

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GATHERING SONG  
GATHER US IN

*Please Stand*  
MARTY HAUGAN



1. Here in this place— new light is stream-ing, Now is the dark-ness van ished a - way,  
2. We are the young, our lives are a mys - t'ry, We are the old who yearn for your face,  
3. Here we will take the wine and the wa - ter, Here we will take the bread of new birth,



See in this space our fears and our dream ings, Brought here to you in the light of this  
We have been sung throughout all of his - t'ry, Called to be light to the whole hu man  
Here you shall call your sons and your daugh - ters, Call us a - new to be salt for the



day. \_\_\_\_\_ Gath - er us in the lost and for - sak - en, Gath - er us in the  
race, \_\_\_\_\_ Gath - er us in the rich and the haugh - ty, Gath - er us in the  
earth. \_\_\_\_\_ Give us to drink the wine of com - pas - sion, Give us to eat the



blind and the lame; Call to us now, and we shall a - wak - en,  
proud and the strong; Give us a heart so meek and so low - ly,  
bread that is you; Nour - ish us well, and teach us to fash - ion



We shall a - rise at the sound of our name. \_\_\_\_\_  
Give us the cour - age to en - ter the song. \_\_\_\_\_  
Lives that are ho - ly and hearts that are true. \_\_\_\_\_

## INTRODUCTORY RITE

In the name of the Father, † and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**R. Amen.**

The Lord be with you.

**R: And with your spirit.**

## PENITENTIAL RITE

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

**R: Lord, have mercy.**

**R: Christ, have mercy.**

**R: Lord, have mercy.**

## BLESSING OF HONOR CORDS

## LAST LECTURE

PATTI PASCOE AND TONY ZORDAN

## COLLECT

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

*Please Sit*

## FIRST READING

Ephesians 3:14-21

*Proclaimed by Maggie Klebenow*

The Word of the Lord.

**R. Thanks be to God.**

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 27, ICEL translation

## THE LORD IS MY SAVING LIGHT

ANDREW WITCHGER

The Lord is my sav - ing light; O what should I  
fear? The Lord is my sav - ing light;  
O what should I fear?

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Please Stand*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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GOSPEL

Matthew 5:13-16

The Lord be with you.  
A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

**R. And with your spirit.  
R: Glory to you, O Lord.**

The Gospel of the Lord.

**R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

HOMILY

*Please Sit*

UNIVERSAL PRAYER

*Please Stand*

Let us pray to the Lord.

**R: Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Proclaimed by Alex Kromkowski*



PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS  
YOU ARE CALLED TO TELL THE STORY

*Please Sit*  
RUTH DUCK



1.You are called to tell the sto - ry, Pass - ing words of life a -  
2.You are called to teach the rhy - thm Of the dance that nev - er  
3.You are called to set the ta - ble, Bless - ing bread as Je - sus  
4.May the One whose love is broad - er Than the meas - ure of all



long, Then to blend your voice with o - thers As you sing the sa - cred  
ends, Then to move with - in the cir - cle, Hand in hand with stran - gers,  
blessed, Then to come with thirst and hung - er, Need - ing care like all the  
space Give us words to sing the sto - ry, Move a - among us in this



song. Christ be known in all our sing - ing, Fill - ing all with songs of love.  
friends. Christ be known in all our danc - ing, Touch ing all with hands of love.  
rest. Christ be known in all our shar - ing, Feed - ing all with signs of love.  
place. Christ be known in all our liv - ing, Fill - ing all with gifts of love.

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LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

INVITATION TO PRAYER

*Please Stand*

Pray, brethren, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

**R. 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.**

PREFACE DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you.

Lift up your hearts.

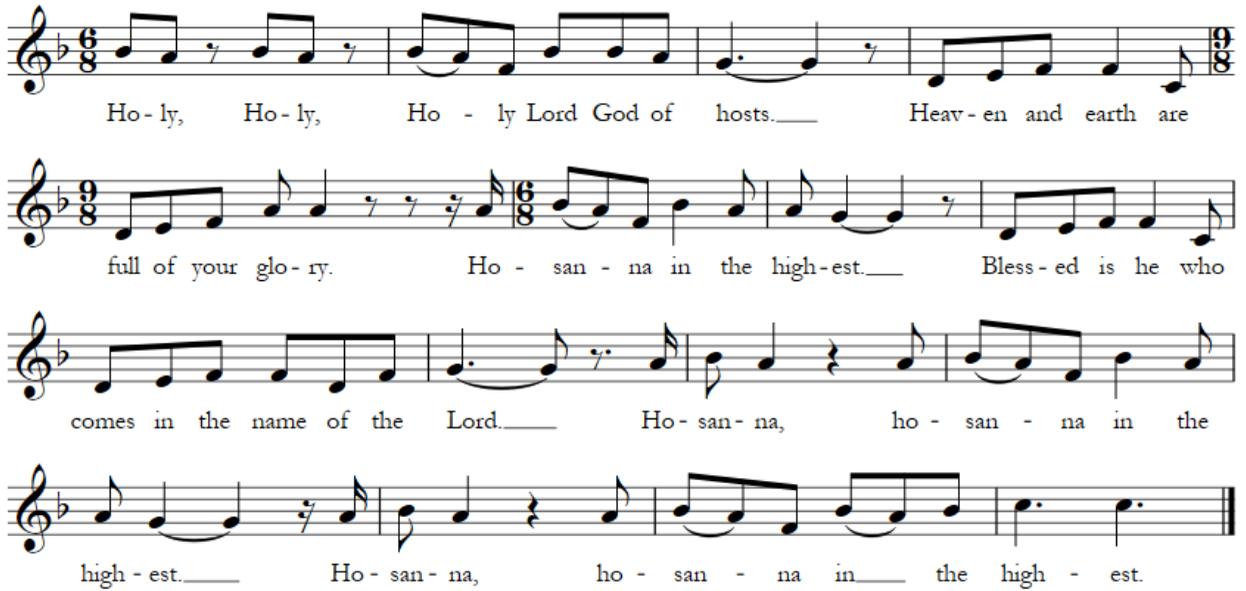
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**R: And with your spirit.**

**R: We lift them up to the Lord.**

**R: It is right and just.**

# SANCTUS



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

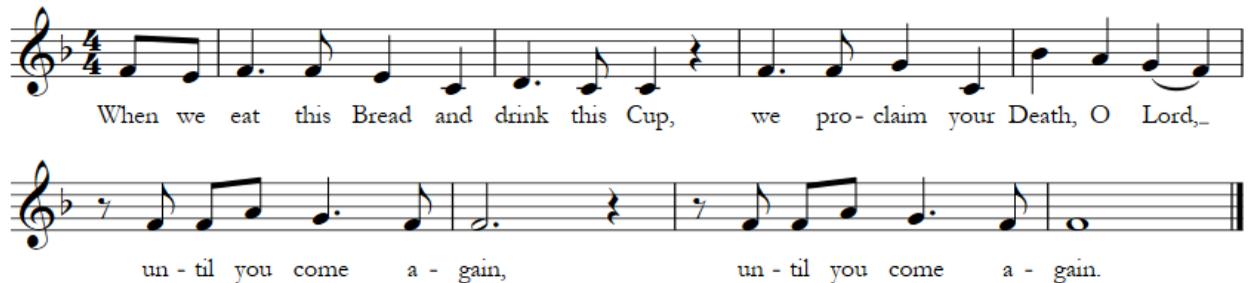
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# EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

*Please kneel*

# MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

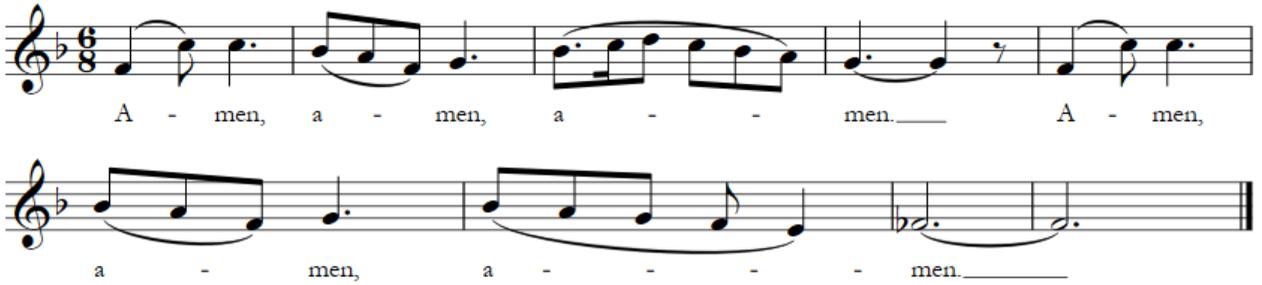


When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we pro - claim your Death, O Lord,  
un - til you come a - gain, un - til you come a - gain.

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GREAT AMEN



A - men, a - men, a - - men. A - men,  
a - men, a - - - men.

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THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Please Stand*

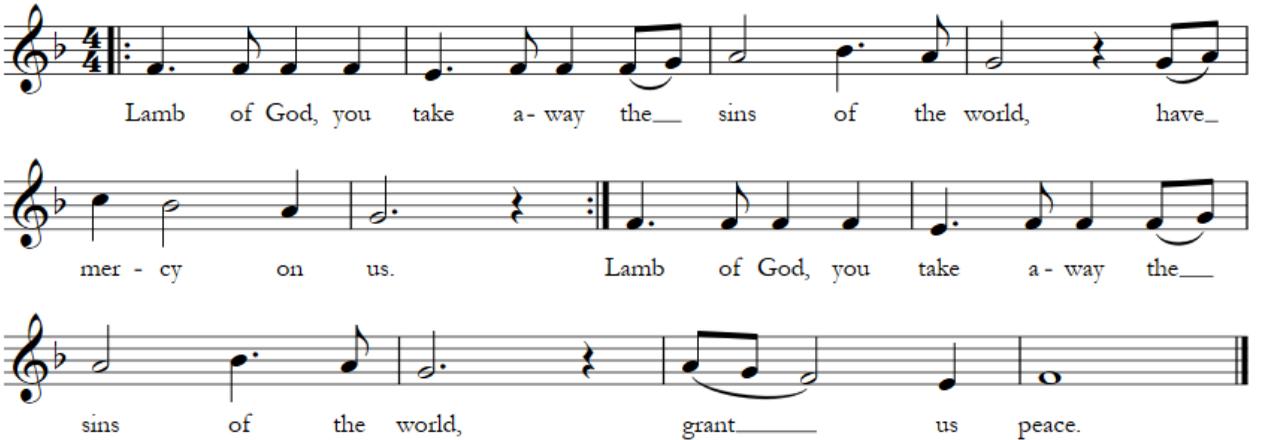
SIGN OF PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**R. And with your spirit.**

*At this time please exchange a sign of peace with those around you.*

LAMB OF GOD



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, have  
mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the  
sins of the world, grant us peace.

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COMMUNION RITE

*Please kneel*

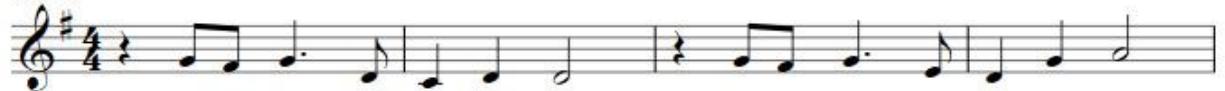
Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb.

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

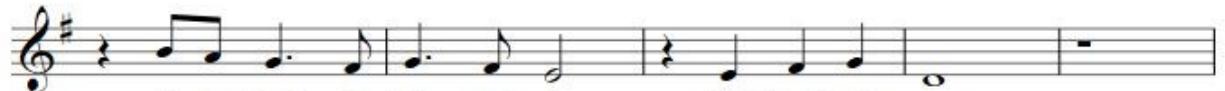
COMMUNION SONG  
HERE I AM, LORD

DAN SCHUTTE

Verses



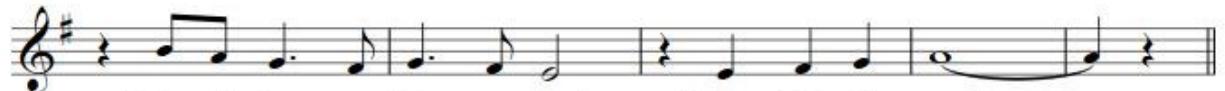
1. I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.  
2. I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain.  
3. I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.



All who dwell in dark and sin My hand will save.  
I have wept for love of them. They turn a - way.  
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.



I, who made the stars of night, I will make their dark ness bright.  
I will break their hearts of stone, Give them hearts for love a - lone.  
Fin - est bread I will pro - vide Till their hearts be sat - is - fied.



Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?  
I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?  
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?

Refrain



Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you call - ing in the  
night. I will go, Lord, if you lead me.  
I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*Please Stand*

PRESIDENTIAL INVITATION “CALLED TO SERVE, CALLED TO LEAD”

PRESIDENT ARVID C. JOHNSON

BLESSING OF THE GRADUATES

BLESSING OF ST. CLARE

*All will extend hands over the graduates and pray together:*

**All: Always be lovers of God and your souls and the souls of your sisters and brothers, and always be eager to observe what you have promised the Lord. May the Lord be with you always, and wherever you are, may you be with Him always. Amen.**

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

*Please Stand*

The Lord be with you.

**R: And with your spirit.**

After each blessing, please respond:

**R. Amen**

And may the blessing of almighty God, the Father, † and the Son and the Holy Spirit,  
Come down upon you and remain with you forever.

**R. Amen.**

*Congratulations to all our graduates!  
May all you do be blessed and infused with the Franciscan spirit!*

SPECIAL THANKS

Fr. Terry Deffenbaugh	Presider
Julee Gard	Piano
Glen Gummess	Filming
Sr. Mary Elizabeth Imler	Introduction
Dr. Arvid Johnson	President
Maggie Klebenow	Lector
Alex Kromkowski	Lector
Nicole Kulon	Cantor
Patti Pascoe	Reflection
Tony Zordan	Reflection

SENDING FORTH  
I AM FOR YOU

RORY COONEY

1. There is a moun - tain there is a sea.  
2. We are a - noint ed, ser - vants of God;

There is a wind with - in all breath - ing  
We have been born a - gain of Spir - it.

There is an arm to break ev - 'ry chain,  
We are the word God speaks to the world,

There is a fire in all things liv - ing.  
Free - dom and light to all who will hear it.

There is a voice that speaks from the flame:  
So let us be the word of the Lord:

"I am for you, I am for  
"I am for you, I am for  
you, I am for you is my name."  
you, I am for you ev - er - more."

Text and Tune: Rory Cooney, b. 1952  
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