



UNIVERSITY OF ST. FRANCIS

Commencement Liturgy | May 8, 2021



UNIVERSITY MISSION

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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._____
race,_____
earth._____

Gath - er us in the lost and for - sak - en, Gath - er us in the
Gath er us in the rich and the haugh - ty, Gath - er us in the
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.
The Lord be with you.

R. Amen.
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.

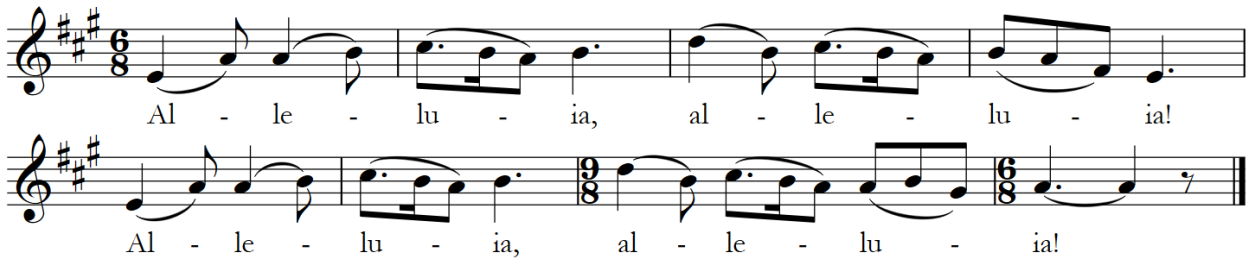
RESPONSORIAL PSALM
THE LORD IS MY SAVING LIGHT

Psalm 27, ICEL translation
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



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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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Tune: ROSEMARY, 8 7 8 7 8 7; Marty Haugan, b. 1950, © 2002, GIA Publications, Inc.

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.

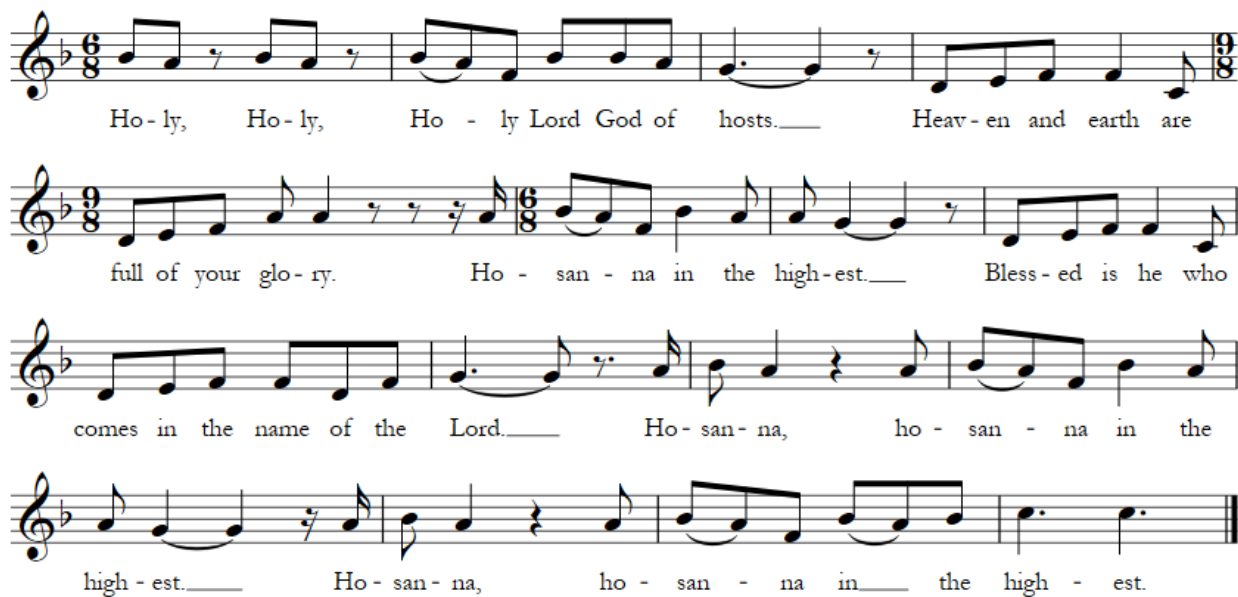
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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.

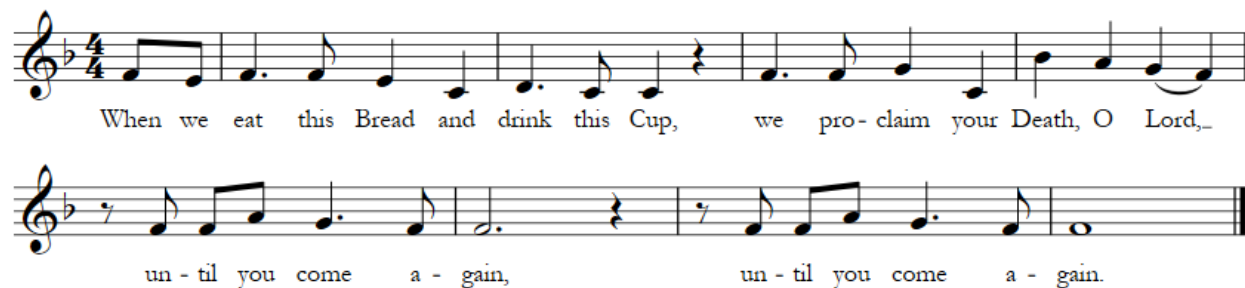
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EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

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



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THE LORD'S PRAYER

Please Stand

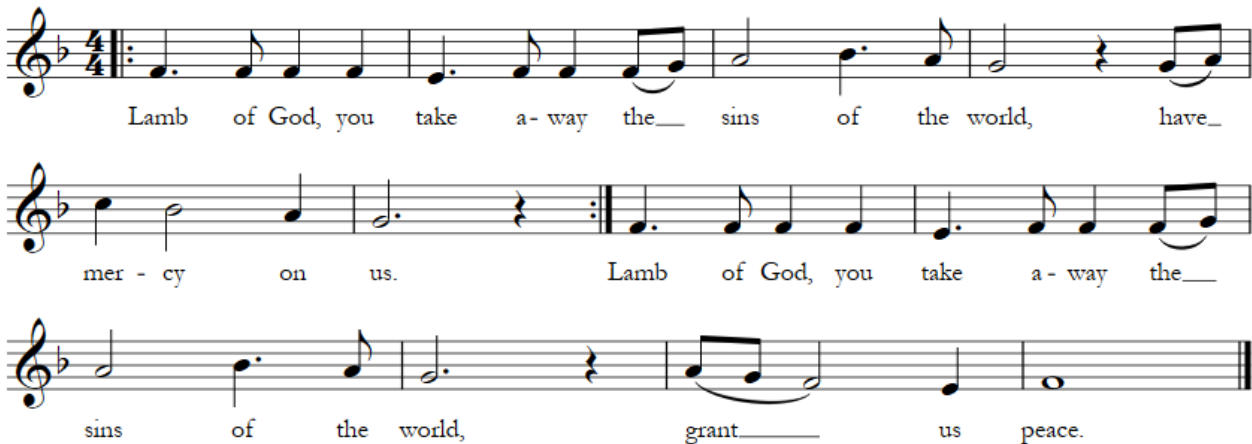
SIGN OF PEACE

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



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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,
2. I, the Lord of snow and rain,
3. I, the Lord of wind and flame,

I have heard my peo - ple cry.
I have borne my peo - ple's pain.
I will tend the poor and lame.



All who dwell in dark and sin
I have wept for love of them.
I will set a feast for them.

My hand will save.
They turn a - way.
My hand will save.



I, who made the stars of night,
I will break their hearts of stone,
Fin - est bread I will pro - vide

I will make their dark ness bright.
Give them hearts for love a - lone.
Till their hearts be sat - is - fied.



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

Whom shall I send?
Whom shall I send?
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.

Text: Isaiah 6; Dan Schutte, b. 1947

Tune: Dan Schutte, b. 1947; arr. By Michael Pope, SJ, and John Weissrock

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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 God 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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