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THE EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

FEBRUARY 27, 2011

SOLEMN MASS AT 10:00 AM

Organ—Adagio from Concerto in B minor Antonio Vivaldi (1678-1741)
Arr. by Johann G. Walther (1684-1748)

Introit—Factus est Dominus Mode 1
Factus est Dominus protector meus, et eduxit me in latitudinem: salvum me fecit, quoniam voluit me. *Ps.* Diligam te Domine fortitudo mea: Dominus firmamentum meum, et refugium meum, et liberator meus.

The Lord God was my protector, and he brought me out into an open place; he rescued me because he delighted in me. *Ps.* I love you, O Lord my strength, O Lord my stronghold, my rock in whom I put my trust. (*Psalm 18*)

Opening Acclamation



∇ Bless-ed be God: Fa- ther, Son and Ho- ly Spir- it;



℞ And bless-ed be his king-dom, now and for- ev- er. A- men.

Gloria in excelsis Deo

James McGregor (b. 1930)
After Joseph D'Houdimont

Organ

Voices



Glo- ry to God in the



high- est, and peace to his peo- ple on— earth.



Lord God, hea- ven- ly King, al-



migh- ty God and Fa- ther, we wor- ship you, we



give you thanks, we praise you for your glo- ry.

Lord Je- sus Christ, on- ly Son of the
 Fa- ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you
 take a- way the sins of the world, have mer- cy on us;
 you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa- ther, re-
 ceive our prayer. For you a- lone are the
 Ho- ly One, you a- lone are the Lord, you a- lone
 are the Most High, Je- sus Christ, with the Ho- ly
 Spir- it, in the glo- ry of God the Fa- ther.
 A————— men.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Let us pray.

Most loving Father, whose will it is for us to give thanks for all things, to fear nothing but the loss of you, and to cast all our care on you who care for us: Preserve us from faithless fears and worldly anxieties, that no clouds of this mortal life may hide from us the light of that love which is immortal, and which you have manifested to us in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading—Isaiah 49: 8-16a

Thus says the LORD: In a time of favor I have answered you, on a day of salvation I have helped you; I have kept you and given you as a covenant to the people, to establish the land, to apportion the desolate heritages; saying to the prisoners, 'Come out,' to those who are in darkness, 'Show yourselves.' They shall feed along the ways, on all the bare heights shall be their pasture; they shall not hunger or thirst, neither scorching wind nor sun shall strike them down, for he who has pity on them will lead them, and by springs of water will guide them. And I will turn all my mountains into a road, and my highways shall be raised up. Lo, these shall come from far away, and lo, these from the north and from the west, and these from the land of Syene. Sing for joy, O heavens, and exult, O earth; break forth, O mountains, into singing! For the LORD has comforted his people, and will have compassion on his suffering ones. But Zion said, 'The LORD has forsaken me, my Lord has forgotten me.' Can a woman forget her nursing child, or show no compassion for the child of her womb? Even these may forget, yet I will not forget you. See, I have inscribed you on the palms of my hands.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Gradual—Psalm 131

Setting by Bruce Ford (b. 1947)

Refrain—*Cantor, then all repeat*



℞. Wait up-on the Lord for ev-er-more.

O Lord, I am not proud; I have no haughty looks.

All repeat the refrain.

I do not occupy myself with great matters or with things that are too hard for me.

All repeat the refrain.

But I still my soul and make it quiet, like a child upon its mother's breast; my soul is quieted within me.

All repeat the refrain.

O Israel, wait upon the Lord, from this time forth for evermore.

All repeat the refrain.

Second Reading—I Corinthians 4: 1-5

Think of us in this way, as servants of Christ and stewards of God's mysteries. Moreover, it is required of stewards that they be found trustworthy. But with me it is a very small thing that I should be judged by you or by any human court. I do not even judge myself. I am not aware of anything against myself, but I am not thereby acquitted. It is the Lord who judges me. Therefore do not pronounce judgment before the time, before the Lord comes, who will bring to light the things now hidden in darkness and will disclose the purposes of the heart. Then each one will receive commendation from God.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

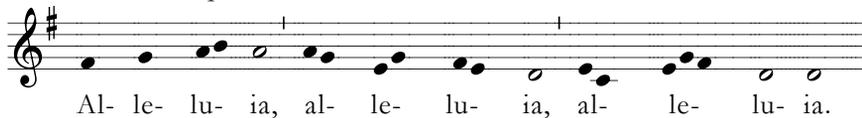
People Thanks be to God.

A brief period of silence is observed.

Sequence Hymn 686

Alleluia

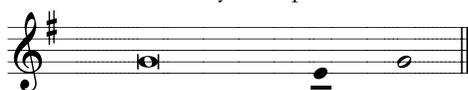
Cantor, then all repeat



∞ I will bow down toward your holy temple and bless your Name.
(Psalm 138) *All repeat Alleluia*

Holy Gospel—Matthew 6: 24-34

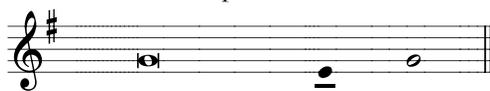
Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.



People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, 'No one can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth. Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you-- you of little faith? Therefore do not worry, saying, 'What will we eat?' or 'What will we drink?' or 'What will we wear?' For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today's trouble is enough for today.'

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.



People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Homily

Mother Lindstrom

The Nicene Creed—*Hymnal, inside back cover*

Prayers of the People—Form IV

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Here and after each petition is sung



∇. Lord, in your mer-cy, ℞. Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Confession of Sin

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. *Amen.*

The Celebrant says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory Antiphon—Domine, convertere

Mode 6

Domine convertere, et eripe animam meam; saluum me fac propter misericordiam tuam.

Turn, O Lord, and deliver me; save me for your mercy's sake. (Psalm 6)

Anthem—from *Judas Maccabaens*

G. F. Handel (1685-1759)

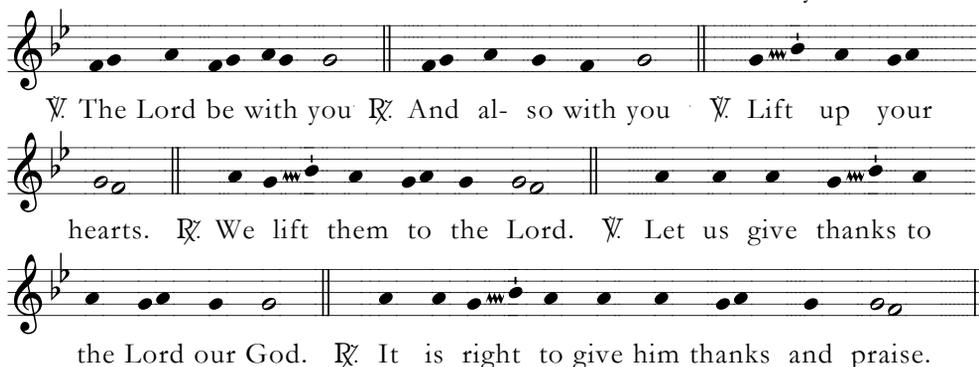
Hallelujah, Amen! Rejoice, O Judah, in songs divine, with cherubim and seraphim harmonious join.

Hymn 676

Eucharistic Prayer B

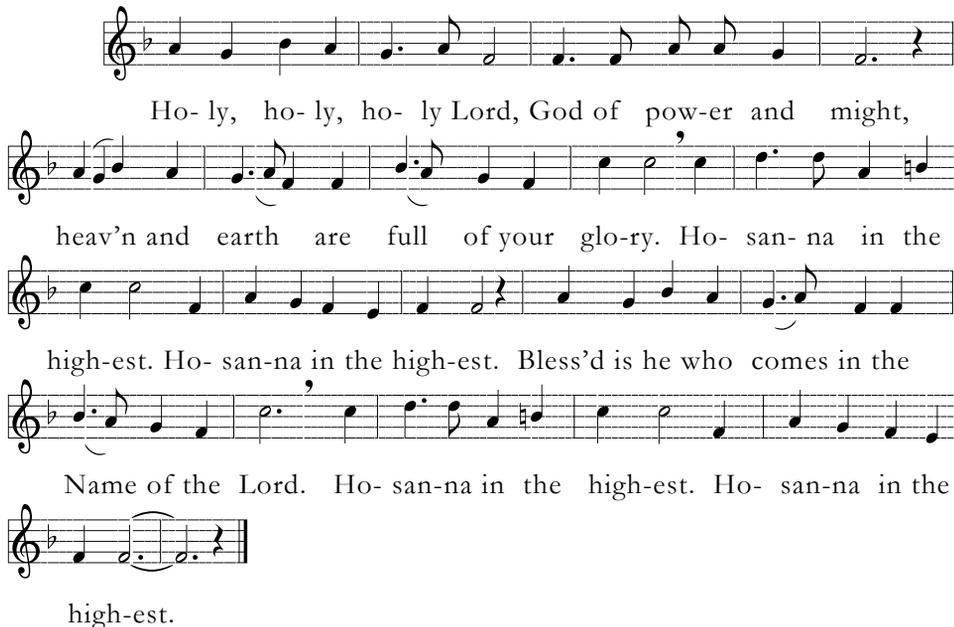
Sanctus by Richard Proulx

Memorial Acclamation arr. by Mason Martens



¶ The Lord be with you. Ɀ And also with you. ¶ Lift up your
 hearts. Ɀ We lift them to the Lord. ¶ Let us give thanks to
 the Lord our God. Ɀ It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:



Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,
 heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na in the
 high-est. Ho-san-na in the high-est. Bless'd is he who comes in the
 Name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est. Ho-san-na in the
 high-est.

The people remain standing. The celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In

him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life. On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

We re-mem-ber his death, We pro-claim his re-sur-rec-tion,
We a-wait his com-ing in glo-ry;

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with the ever-blessed Virgin Mary and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *AMEN.*

Lord's Prayer

The Celebrant begins

And now as our Sa-rior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
Our Fa-ther, who art in hea-ven, hal-low-ed be thy Name,
thy king-dom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in
hea-ven. Give us this day our dai-ly bread, and for-give us our tres-
pass-es, as we for-give those who tres-pass a-against us. And lead us

not in- to temp- ta- tion, but de-liv- er us from e- vil. For thine is the
king-dom and the pow'r and the glo- ry, for ev- er and ev- er. A- men.

Breaking of the Bread

℣. Christ our Pass- o- ver is sac- ri- ficed for us;
℞. There- fore let us keep the feast.

Agnus Dei—*Mass of the Emmanuel*

James McGregor

Holy Communion

All baptized persons are invited to receive Holy Communion. The ministers will bring the sacrament to those who tell an usher that they cannot easily climb the steps.

Communion Antiphon—*Primum quaerite*

Mode 8

Primum quaerite regnum Dei, et omnium adicientur vobis, dicit Dominus.

*Seek first the kingdom of God, and all these things shall be yours as well, says the Lord.
(Matthew 6)*

Motet—*Chorus from Cantata 29*

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

Wir danken dir, Gotta, wir danken dir und verkündigen deine Wunder.

We give you thanks, God, we give you thanks and tell of your great deeds. (Psalm 75)

Postcommunion Prayer

We beseech you, O gracious and merciful Lord, that through this holy sacrament, by which you refresh and strengthen us here on earth, we may lay hold on the gift of life everlasting; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Seasonal Blessing and Dismissal

Hymn 599

Organ—*Allegro from Concerto in B minor*

Antonio Vivaldi

Arr. by Johann G. Walther