



## Morning Prayer and Holy Eucharist at the Church of St. Paul, Cambria

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### Opening Hymn 569

Blessed be God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
**And Blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever.  
Amen.**

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

God of pardon and peace, in Christ you have given us a great high priest who has entered the sanctuary of heaven to intercede for us in the power of the sacrifice offered once, for all, to take away our sin. Grant that all of us may receive your mercy and find grace to help in our time of need. Now, as we begin our celebration of Christ's great sacrifice on our behalf, let us confess our sins against You 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.**

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.

Lord, open our lips  
**And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

### Psalm 67:1-5 Deus misereatur

O God, be merciful to us and bless us,  
show us the light of your countenance and come to us.

Let your ways be known upon earth,  
your saving health among all nations.

Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all

the peoples praise you.

Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for  
you judge the peoples with equity and  
guide all the nations upon earth.

Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all  
the peoples praise you.

### Psalm 104:1-9,25,37c

1 Bless the LORD, O my soul; \* O LORD my God,  
how excellent is your greatness! you are clothed  
with majesty and splendor.

2 You wrap yourself with light as with a cloak \*  
and spread out the heavens like a curtain.

3 You lay the beams of your chambers in the  
waters above; \* you make the clouds your chariot;  
you ride on the wings of the wind.

4 You make the winds your messengers \* and  
flames of fire your servants.

5 You have set the earth upon its foundations, \*  
so that it never shall move at any time.

6 You covered it with the Deep as with a mantle; \*  
the waters stood higher than the mountains.

7 At your rebuke they fled; \* at the voice of your  
thunder they hastened away.

8 They went up into the hills and down to the  
valleys beneath, \* to the places you had appointed  
for them.

9 You set the limits that they should not pass; \*  
they shall not again cover the earth.

25 O LORD, how manifold are your works! \* in  
wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of  
your creatures. Hallelujah!

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

### Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The **first lesson** is Job (38:1-7)

Then the LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind: "Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge? Gird up your loins like a man, I will question you, and you shall declare to me. "Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding. Who determined its measurements — surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it? On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone when the morning stars sang together and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy?"

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church  
**Thanks be to God.**

Canticle H: **A Song of Hosea** *Hosea 6:1-3*

Come, let us return to our God, \* who has torn us  
and will heal us.

God has struck us and will bind up our wounds, \*  
after two days revive us,

On the third day restore us, \* that in God's  
presence we may live.

Let us humble ourselves, let us strive to know the  
Lord, \* whose justice dawns like morning light,  
its dawning as sure as the sunrise.

God's justice will come to us like a shower, \* like  
spring rains that water the earth.

The **second lesson** is from **Hebrews (5:1-10)**

Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject to weakness; and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. And one does not presume to take this honor, but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was. So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, "You are my Son, today I have begotten you"; as he says also in another place, "You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek." In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

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Canticle C: **The Song of Hannah** *1 Samuel 2:1-8*

My heart exults in you, O God; \* my triumph song  
is lifted in you.

My mouth derides my enemies, \* for I rejoice in  
your salvation.

There is none holy like you, \* nor any rock to be  
compared to you, our God.

Do not heap up prideful words or speak in  
arrogance; \* Only God is knowing and weighs all  
actions.

The bows of the mighty are broken, \* but the weak  
are clothed in strength.

Those once full now labor for bread, \* those who  
hungered now are well fed.

The childless woman has borne sevenfold, \* while  
the mother of many is forlorn.

God destroys and brings to life, casts down and  
raises up; \* gives wealth or takes it away,  
humbles and dignifies.

God raises the poor from the dust; \* and lifts the  
needy from the ash heap

To make them sit with the rulers \* and inherit a  
place of honor.

For the pillars of the earth are God's \* on which the  
whole earth is founded.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according  
to **St. Mark (10:35-45)**

**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to Jesus and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." And he said to them, "What is it you want me to do for you?" And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?" They replied, "We are able." Then Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared." When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. So Jesus called them and said to them, "You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

### The Sermon

Sermon Music

Let us affirm our faith:

**We believe in God the Father, infinite in wisdom, power and love, whose mercy is over all his works, and whose will is ever directed to his children's good.**

**We believe in Jesus Christ, Son of God and Son of man, the gift of the Father's unfailing grace, the ground of our hope, and the promise of our deliverance from sin and death.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit as the divine presence in our lives, whereby we are kept in perpetual remembrance of the truth of Christ, and find strength and help in time of need.**

**We believe that this faith should manifest itself in the service of love as set forth in the example of our blessed Lord, to the end that the kingdom of God may come upon the earth.**

**Amen.**

### The Prayers of the People

We are invited to serve the needs of all, but we require God's assistance. Let us turn our hearts to God, asking for help in our need, saying: Lord, have mercy.

*(As the Spirit moves you, please take turns reading one or more of the petitions. Please observe a short silence at the indicated times.)*

That leaders of the church will freely serve the faithful, without preference to rank or authority, (silence) we pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

That among the peoples of the world service will take precedence over authority, (silence) we pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

That the many peoples of the world will serve the needs of others and will comfort the anxieties of all, (silence) we pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

That the victims of oppression, abuse, or neglect will discover the peace of God through others' assistance, prayer, and presence, (silence) we pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

That all who suffer will know the power of God, (silence) we pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

That those who serve our country in the military, be kept safe in the midst of dangers and

temptations: (silence) we pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

That all people of good faith, especially all the children of Abraham, together may strive for justice and peace: (silence) we pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy..**

*(Here other intercessions may be offered.)*

God of justice, Lord of love, send your Spirit to dwell within us, sustaining our efforts of service; we ask this in Jesus' name, who lives forever and ever. **Amen.**

**Offertory:** Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. Ephesians 5:2

### **Offertory Hymn 602**

**Prayer over the gifts:** Eternal God, your word inspires our faith. May we who offer you our praise trust you in all things. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

### The Great Thanksgiving (EP A)

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give God 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 through Jesus Christ our Lord;

For you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image, and called us to new life in 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:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might (Heaven and earth are full, full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blest is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself...

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father,...

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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.**

As teacher and healer, Jesus came to us from God. Now for the world's salvation and God's glory, we pray as Jesus taught us:

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

### **The Breaking of the Bread**

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Behold the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed are those who are called to the banquet of the Lamb.

### **Communion of the People**

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

Father, your word and sacrament give us food and life. May we who have shared in holy things bear fruit to your honor and glory

Let us pray. **Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Knowing that all of our community cannot share the Eucharist in person, we affirm that the true mystical communion of Christ and His Church is spiritual and grounded in faith. Therefore, we commit ourselves to the reality that Christ is present with us wherever we are. **Amen.**

### **Blessing:**

May the Master of the Feast clothe you in his garment of grace, helping you to walk each day in love and peace, and the blessing of God almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be with you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

### **The Peace**

The peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.** *Greet one another in the Lord's name.*

### **Announcements**

*Thanksgiving Prayer:* We give you thanks, O God, for your many blessings: for our days of celebration, for the love that surrounds us, for your healing presence in our lives. Keep us in your care, we pray, and help us to live as truly thankful people. Amen.

### **Closing Hymn 390**

### **Dismissal:**

Seeking to follow the Teacher who came not to be served but to serve, go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**