



The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

Song: Open the Eyes of My Heart

Chorus (x 2)

Open the eyes of my heart Lord

Open the eyes of my heart

I want to see You

I want to see You

Verse

To see You high and lifted up

Shining in the light of Your glory

Pour out Your power and love

As we sing holy, holy, holy

Chorus (x 2)

Verse (sing again)

Bridge (x 3)

Holy, holy, holy

Holy, holy, holy

Holy, holy, holy

I want to see You

Opening Acclamation & Collect for Purity

Celebrant: +Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Celebrant: 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.

Gloria in Excelsis | Glory to God

All: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For 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. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

First Lesson

Acts 4:32-35

Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 133

1 Oh, how good and pleasant it is, \* when brethren live together in unity!  
2 It is like fine oil upon the head \* that runs down upon the beard,

3 Upon the beard of Aaron, \*  
**and runs down upon the collar of his robe.**  
 4 It is like the dew of Hermon \*  
**that falls upon the hills of Zion.**  
 5 For there the Lord has ordained the blessing: \*  
**life for evermore.**

**Verse 2**  
*O the deep, deep love of Jesus*  
*Spread His praise from shore to shore*  
*How He loveth, ever loveth*  
*Changeth never, nevermore*  
*How He watches o'er His loved ones*  
*Died to call them all His own*  
*How for them He intercedeth*  
*Watches over them from the throne*

**Second Lesson** **1 John 1:1-2:2**

We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life-- this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us-- we declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.

This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

**Reader:** The Word of the Lord.  
**People:** **Thanks be to God.**

**Gradual Music**

**Song:** *O the Deep, Deep Love Of Jesus (Ebenezer)*

**Verse 1**  
*O the deep, deep love of Jesus*  
*Vast, unmeasured, boundless, free*  
*Rolling as a mighty ocean*  
*In its fullness over me*  
*Underneath me all around me*  
*Is the current of Thy love*  
*Leading onward, leading homeward*  
*To my glorious rest above*

**Celebrant:** The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John.  
**People:** **+Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

**The Gospel** **John 20:19-31**

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

**Celebrant:** The Gospel of the Lord  
**People:** **Praise to you, Lord Christ**

**Song:** *O the Deep, Deep Love Of Jesus, continued*

*Verse 3*

*O the deep, deep love of Jesus  
Love of every love the best  
'Tis an ocean vast of blessing  
'Tis a haven sweet of rest  
O the deep, deep love of Jesus  
'Tis a heaven of heavens to me  
And it lifts me up to glory  
For it lifts me up to Thee*

**The Sermon**      **The Reverend Canon Josh Bales**

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### **The Nicene Creed**

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**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,  
of one 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 became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with 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 and the Son.  
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.**

### **The Prayers of the People, Form VI**

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*The Leader and People pray responsively*

*Deacon:* In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

*Silence*

*Deacon:* For all people in their daily life and work;

**People:** For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

*Deacon:* For this community, the nation, and the world;

**People:** For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

*Deacon:* For the just and proper use of your creation;

**People:** For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

*Deacon:* For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

**People:** For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

*Deacon:* For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

**People:** For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

*Deacon:* For Michael our Presiding Bishop, Justin our Bishop, and for all bishops and other ministers;

**People:** For all who serve God in his Church.

*Deacon:* For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

*Silence: The People may add their own petitions.*

*Deacon:* Hear us, Lord;

**People:** For your mercy is great.

*Deacon:* We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

*The People may add their own thanksgivings.*

*Deacon:* We will exalt you, O God our King;

**People:** And praise your Name for ever and ever.

*Deacon:* We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

*The People may add their own petitions*

*Deacon:* Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

**People:** Who put their trust in you.

*Deacon:* We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

*Silence may be kept.*

## Leader and People:

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;  
in your compassion forgive us our sins,  
known and unknown,  
things done and left undone;  
and so uphold us by your Spirit  
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,  
to the honor and glory of your Name;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*The Celebrant gives the Absolution.*

## The Peace

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

**People:** And also with you.

## Announcements

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## Offertory Music

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**Song:** *Living Hope*

### Verse 1

*How great the chasm that lay between us  
How high the mountain I could not climb  
In desperation I turned to heaven  
And spoke Your name into the night  
Then through the darkness Your loving-kindness  
Tore through the shadows of my soul  
The work is finished, the end is written  
Jesus Christ, my living hope*

### Verse 2

*Who could imagine so great a mercy  
What heart could fathom such boundless grace  
The God of ages stepped down from glory  
To wear my sin and bear my shame  
The cross has spoken: I am forgiven  
The King of kings calls me His own  
Beautiful Savior, I'm Yours forever  
Jesus Christ, my living hope*

### Chorus

*Hallelujah! Praise the One who set me free!  
Hallelujah! Death has lost its grip on me!  
You have broken every chain  
There's salvation in Your name  
Jesus Christ, my living hope*

### Verse 3

*Then came the morning that sealed the promise  
Your buried body began to breathe  
Out of the silence the Roaring Lion  
Declared the grave has no claim on me  
Jesus, Yours is the victory whoa*

**Chorus (sing again)**

## Ending

*Jesus Christ my living hope  
Oh God You are my living hope*

## Doxology

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### Verse 1

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow  
Praise Him all creatures here below  
Praise Him above, you heav'nly host  
Praise Father Son and Holy Ghost*

### Verse 2

*Praise God for all that He has done  
Praise Him for He has overcome  
The grave is beaten: love has won  
Praise God our Savior Christ the Son*

### Chorus

*Amen Amen Amen  
God we praise You  
God we praise You*

## The Great Thanksgiving

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*Eucharistic Prayer C*

**Celebrant:** The Lord be with you.

**People:** And also with you.

**Celebrant:** Lift up your hearts.

**People:** We lift them to the Lord.

**Celebrant:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People:** It is right to give him thanks and praise.

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

**Glory to you for ever and ever.**

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

**By your will they were created and have their being.**

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

**Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.**

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

**By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.**

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

## Sanctus

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**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.**

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

**We celebrate his death and resurrection,  
as we await the day of his coming.**

Lord God of our Fathers: God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

**Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the bread.**

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation.

**Amen.**

## The Lord's Prayer

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*Chanted using #S-119 in The 1982 Hymnal*

*Celebrant: And now, as our Savior, Christ,  
has taught us, we are bold to say:*

**Celebrant and People:**

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy Name,  
thy kingdom come,**

**thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the  
glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

## The Breaking of the Bread

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*Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our passover is sacrificed for us.*

**People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

*Celebrant: The +Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.*

*We invite all baptized Christians to receive communion. If you'd like to receive a blessing, without taking communion, please cross your arms.*

## Communion Music

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**Song: At the Cross (Love Ran Red)**

**Verse 1**

*There's a place  
Where mercy reigns and never dies  
There's a place  
Where streams of grace flow deep and wide  
Where all the love I've ever found  
Comes like a flood comes flowing down*

**Chorus**

*At the cross, at the cross  
I surrender my life  
I'm in awe of You, I'm in awe of You  
Where Your love ran red and my sin washed white  
I owe all to You, I owe all to You (Jesus)*

**Verse 2**

*There's a place  
Where sin and shame are powerless  
Where my heart  
Has peace with God and forgiveness  
Where all the love I've ever found  
Comes like a flood comes flowing down*

**Chorus (sing again)**

**Bridge**

*Here my hope is found  
Here on holy ground  
Here I bow down, here I bow down  
Here arms open wide  
Here You saved my life  
Here I bow down, here I bow (down)*

**Chorus (sing again)**

**Song:                   How Great Thou Art**

**Verse 1**

*O Lord my God  
When I in awesome wonder  
Consider all the works  
Thy hands have made  
I see the stars  
I hear the rolling thunder  
Thy pow'r thru'out  
The universe displayed*

**Chorus**

*Then sings my soul  
My Savior God to Thee  
How great Thou art  
How great Thou art  
Then sings my soul  
My Savior God to Thee  
How great Thou art  
How great Thou art*

**Verse 2**

*When through the woods  
And forest glades I wander  
And hear the birds  
Sing sweetly in the trees  
When I look down  
From lofty mountain grandeur  
And hear the brook  
And feel the gentle breeze*

**Chorus (sing again)**

**Verse 3**

*And when I think  
That God His Son not sparing  
Sent Him to die  
I scarce can take it in  
That on the cross  
My burden gladly bearing  
He bled and died  
To take away my sin*

**Chorus (sing again)**

**Verse 4**

*When Christ shall come  
With shout of acclamation  
And take me home  
What joy shall fill my heart  
Then I shall bow*

**Chorus (sing again)**

**Post Communion Prayer**

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Almighty and everliving God,  
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food  
of the most precious Body and Blood  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;  
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries  
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,

and heirs of your eternal kingdom.  
And now, Father, send us out  
to do the work you have given us to do,  
to love and serve you  
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.  
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

**Blessing**

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And the blessing of God Almighty: +the Father, the Son, and  
the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.  
**Amen.**

**Closing Music**

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**Song:                   How Great Is Our God**

**Verse 1**

*The splendor of the King  
Clothed in majesty  
Let all the earth rejoice  
All the earth rejoice  
He wraps Himself in light  
And darkness tries to hide  
And trembles at His voice  
And trembles at His voice*

**Chorus**

*How great is our God  
Sing with me  
How great is our God  
And all will see how great  
How great is our God*

**Verse 2**

*And age to age He stands  
And time is in His hands  
Beginning and the End  
Beginning and the End  
The Godhead three in one  
Father, Spirit, Son  
The Lion and the Lamb  
The Lion and the Lamb*

**Chorus (sing again)**

**Bridge (sing twice)**

*Name above all names  
Worthy of all praise  
My heart will sing  
How great is our God*

**Chorus (sing again)**

**Dismissal**

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**Deacon:** Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the  
power of the Spirit. Alleluia, Alleluia

**People:** **Thanks be to God.**  
**Alleluia, Alleluia**

## Upcoming Scriptures for April 14

### Third Sunday of Easter

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- Acts 3:12-19
- 1 John 3:1-7
- Luke 24:36b-48
- Psalm 4



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