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OPENING CONVOCATION JUNE 10, 2015

ROBERT E. WEBBER INSTITUTE FOR WORSDIP STUDIES

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Feast Day of St. Ephrem the Syrian Grace Episcopal Church The Rev'd Kedron Nichols, Rector Holy Eucharist Rite II

About the IWS Opening Convocation Service

The liturgy in use tonight is Holy Eucharist, Rite II, from *The Book of Common Prayer* (1979). The Celebrant (the one *celebrating* or leading the service) is the Rev'd Dr. Reggie Kidd, IWS professor.

+ Indicates that the congregation is invited to stand.

Parts for the Congregation to speak are printed in **bold-faced** type.

GATHERING

Prelude Now Thank We All Our God J.S. Bach arr. S. Drummond Wolff Organ and brass *It is Well With My Soul* arr. Craig Phillips Organ Voluntary on the Doxology Henry Purcell Organ and brass arr. S. Drummond Wolff Choral Introit Bow Down Low **David Bridges IWS Festival Choir**

+ Processional Hymn #400

All Creatures of Our God and King



Words: Francis of Assisi (1182-1226); tr. William H. Draper (1855-1933), alt. Music: Lasst uns erfreuen, melody from Auserlesene Catholische Geistliche Kirchengeseng, 1623; adapt. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

Greeting from the President of IWS

Dr. James R. Hart President, Institute for Worship Studies

+ Opening Acclamation and the Collect for Purity

Celebrant Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

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 Peru, irregular

Words: Traditional (incorporates Luke 2:14a)

Music: Peruvian traditional. Rhythm patterns Jorge Lockward. Used by permission.

+ Collect for Education

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom:

Enlighten by your Holy Spirit

those who teach and those who learn,

that, rejoicing in the knowledge of your truth,

they may worship you and serve you

from generation to generation;

through Jesus Christ our Lord,

who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,

one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE WORD OF THE LORD

The People sit as the appointed lessons are read.

First Lesson

Isaiah 55:1-9

Following the Lesson, The Reader says

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God

- + Psalm 63 Deus, Deus meus
 - 1 O God, you are my God; eagerly I | seek you; * my soul thirsts for you, my flesh faints for you, as in a barren and dry land where there is no | water.
 - ² Therefore I have gazed upon you in your holy | place, * that I might behold your power and your | glory.
 - 3 For your loving-kindness is better than life it-| self; * my lips shall give you | praise.
 - 4 So will I bless you as long as I | live * and lift up my hands in your | Name.
 - 5 My soul is content, as with marrow and | fatness, * and my mouth praises you with joyful | lips,

- 6 When I remember you upon my | bed, * and meditate on you in the night | watches.
- 7 For you have been my | helper, * and under the shadow of your wings I will re-| joice.
- 8 My soul | clings to you; * your right hand holds me | fast.
- 9 May those who seek my life to de-| stroy it * go down into the depths of the | earth;
- 10 Let them fall upon the edge of the | sword, * and let them be food for | jackals.
- But the king will rejoice in God; all those who swear by him will be | glad; *
 for the mouth of those who speak lies shall be | stopped.

Bowing

Glory to the Father, and to the | Son, and to the Holy | Spirit: *

Rising

as it was in the beginning, is | now, and will be forever. A| men.

Second Lesson

2 Corinthians 4:1-12

Following the Lesson, The Reader says
The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God

+ Gospel Hymn

Celtic Alleluia





Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to St. John. *People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

+ Gospel Reading

John 6:60-69

Reader The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Introduction of the Preacher

Dr. James R. Hart

The Sermon

Faith Seeking Understanding

Dr. Emily Vermilya IWS Professor, M.W.S and D.W.S. alumna

+ The Nicene Creed

Standing, all say together

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 IV

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The People stand, as they are able.

Leader 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.

Silence

Leader Lord, in your mercy:

People Hear our prayer.

Leader 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.

Silence

Leader Lord, in your mercy:

People Hear our prayer.

Leader 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.

Silence

Leader Lord, in your mercy:

People Hear our prayer.

Leader 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.

Silence

Leader Lord, in your mercy:

People Hear our prayer.

Leader 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.

Silence

Leader Lord, in your mercy:

People Hear our prayer.

Leader 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 the saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Leader Lord, in your mercy:

People Hear our prayer.

+ The Collect at the Prayers

Celebrant Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask: help us to ask only what accords with your will; and those good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

The Confession of Sin

The People kneel, as they are able.

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

Silence

People 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 Absolution

Celebrant 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 People greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Announcements

THE TABLE OF THE LORD: HOLY COMMUNION

The Offertory

The offering will benefit the ongoing ministry of the Institute for Worship Studies. Your checks should be made payable to the Institute for Worship Studies.

Anthem

Give Me Jesus IWS Festival Choir

arr. Larry Fleming

+ The Doxology

Lasst uns erfreuen in D

The People stand and give thanks to God, singing

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise Him above ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost;
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

+ The Great Thanksgiving

The People remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and says

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.

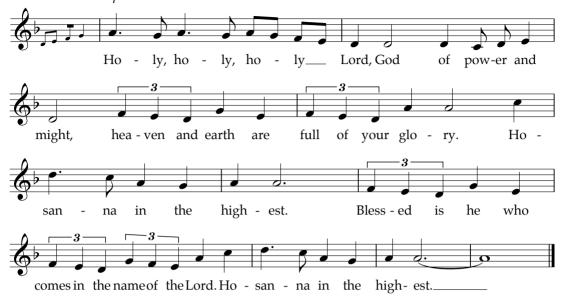
The Celebrant continues

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world.

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:

+ Sanctus

Celebrant and People



Setting: Robert Powell (b. 1932)

Eucharistic Prayer

The People kneel as they are able, and the Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

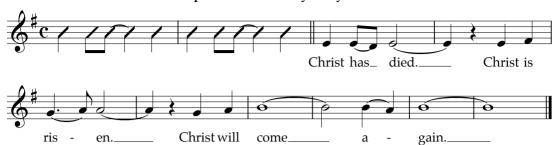
He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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."

Memorial Acclamation

Celebrant Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:



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The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

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**.

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

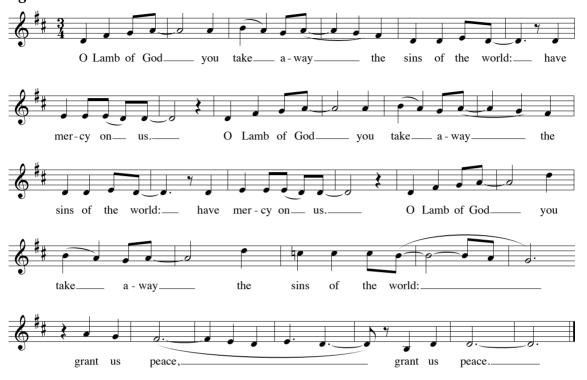


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The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. (Silence)

Agnus Dei



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The Communion of the People

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

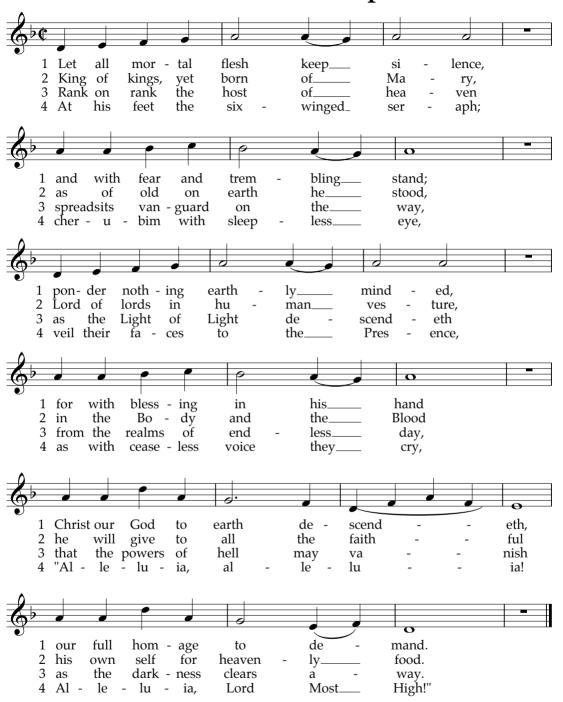
Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The ministers receive the Sacrament, and then immediately deliver it to the People.

All who are baptized Christians are welcome at the Lord's Table.
Children whose parents do not want them to receive Communion,
or others who do not wish to do so,
are encouraged to come forward, cross their arms across their chests,
and receive a prayer of blessing.

Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

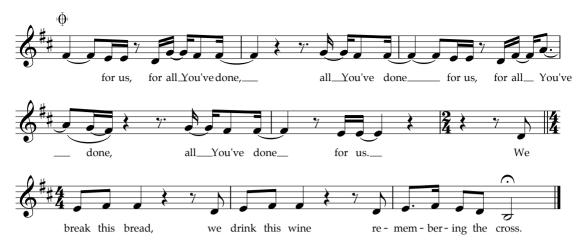
Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence



Words: Liturgy of St. James; para. Gerard Moultrie (1829-1885) Music: *Picardy,* French carol, 17th cent.; melody from *Chansons populaires des Provinces de France,* 1860. Arr. by Jim Hart

Love Divine



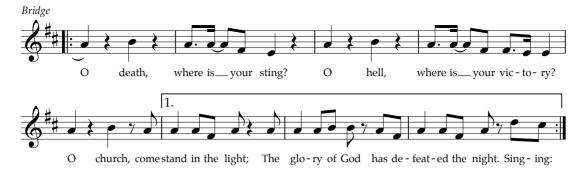


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Christ is Risen







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Postcommunion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

People 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.



SENDING

The Celebrant blesses the People.



Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), alt. Music: *Duke Street*, John Hatton (d. 1793)

+ Charge

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. People Thanks be to God!

Postlude

The Rejoicing (from The Royal Fireworks Music) G.F. Handel Organ and Brass arr. S. Drummond Wolff



WE EXTEND OUR SINCEREST THANKS TO ...

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Mr. Rollin Kimball, Sound Engineer,
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Your hospitality blesses us immeasurably!

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IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THIS SERVICE
FOR A RECEPTION IN HONOR OF THE IWS COMMUNITY
AND IN CELEBRATION OF OUR 16TH ANNIVERSARY.