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Digital Worship Guide

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WE RECOGNIZE THE MINISTRY OF THE FOLLOWING:

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President of Creighton University, Celebrant

The Most Reverend George J. Lucas

Archbishop Emeritus of Omaha, Presider



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College of Nursing

**College of Professional and
Continuing Education**

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School of Medicine

**School of Pharmacy and
Health Professions**

Creighton Staff and the Jesuit Community

In Case of Emergency

Please follow the directions of the ushers to exit the facility.

Family Restrooms

Located behind Sections 103, 109, 111, 115, 120, 125, 129, and 131 on the Concourse Level. Family restrooms on the Suite/Club/Grandstand Level are located behind Sections 201, 209, 215, 218, and 222.

Accessibility

- Distribution of communion involves movement up stairs. To better accommodate mobility needs, seating near the concourse is recommended.
- Low-gluten hosts will be available near the First Aid Station at communion (Concourse Level, Section 113).
- Listening devices are available at Guest Services near the First Aid Station (Concourse Level, Section 113).
- Telecoil-equipped hearing aids can connect to the Induction Loop Hearing System in Sections 109 and 115.

INTRODUCTORY RITES

Call to Worship





PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Lead Me, Lord (Becker)

Please stand and join in singing as we gather to hear the scriptures.

VERSE 1

Blessed are the poor in spirit, longing for their Lord,
for God's coming kingdom shall be theirs.

Blessed are the sorrowing, for they shall be consoled,
and the meek shall come to rule the world.

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REFRAIN

Lead me, Lord, lead me, Lord,
by the light of truth
to seek and to find the narrow way.
Be my way; be my truth;
be my life, my Lord,
and lead me, Lord, today.

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VERSE 2

Blessed are the merciful, for mercy shall be theirs,
and the pure in heart shall see their God.

Blest are they whose hunger only holiness can fill,
for I say they shall be satisfied.

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VERSE 3

Blest are they who through their lifetimes
sow the seeds of peace;

all will call them children of the Lord.

Blest are you, though persecuted in your holy life,
for in heaven, great is your reward.

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GREETING

The assembly makes the sign of the cross along with the Presider.

Presider: In the name of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

We respond: ***Amen.***

Presider greets the assembly, ending with: The Lord be with you.

We respond: ***And with your spirit.***



PENITENTIAL ACT

Presider: Lord, have mercy. ***We respond: Lord, have mercy.***
Presider: Christ, have mercy. ***We respond: Christ, have mercy.***
Presider: Lord, have mercy. ***We respond: Lord, have mercy.***

Presider: May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins,
and bring us to everlasting life.
We respond: Amen.

COLLECT

We respond: Amen.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

*Please be seated as we listen
to God's word in scripture.*





FIRST READING

Ecclesiastes 3:1–11

There is an appointed time for everything,
and a time for every thing under the heavens.
A time to be born, and a time to die;
a time to plant, and a time to uproot the plant.
A time to kill, and a time to heal;
a time to tear down, and a time to build.
A time to weep, and a time to laugh;
a time to mourn, and a time to dance.



A time to scatter stones, and a time to gather them;
a time to embrace, and a time to be far from embraces.
A time to seek, and a time to lose;
a time to keep, and a time to cast away.
A time to rend, and a time to sew;
a time to be silent, and a time to speak.
A time to love, and a time to hate;
a time of war, and a time of peace.



What advantage has the worker from his toil?
I have considered the task that God has appointed
for the sons of men to be busied about.
He has made everything appropriate to its time,
and has put the timeless into their hearts
without man's ever discovering,
from beginning to end,
the work which God has done.

Lector: The word of the Lord.

We respond: Thanks be to God.



RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 23: The Lord is My Shepherd

Antiphon: The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.

VERSE 1

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
In verdant pastures, He gives me repose;
beside restful waters, he leads me;
He refreshes my soul.



Antiphon: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing
I shall want.

VERSE 2

He guides me in right paths for his name's sake;
even though I walk in the dark valley, I fear no evil;
For You are at my side with your rod and your staff
that give me courage.



Antiphon: The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.

VERSE 3

You spread a table before me in the sight of my foes;
You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

VERSE 4

Only goodness and kindness follow me
all the days of my life;
and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord
for years to come.



SECOND READING

2 Timothy 1:6-14

Beloved: I remind you to stir into flame the gift of God that you have through the imposition of my hands. For God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but rather of power and love and self-control. So do not be ashamed of your testimony to our Lord, nor of me, a prisoner for his sake; but bear your share of hardship for the Gospel with the strength that comes from God.



He saved us and called us to a holy life, not according to our works but according to his own design and the grace bestowed on us in Christ Jesus before time began, but now made manifest through the appearance of our savior Christ Jesus, who destroyed death and brought life and immortality to light through the Gospel, for which I was appointed preacher and Apostle and teacher. On this account I am suffering these things; but I am not ashamed, for I know him in whom I have believed and am confident that he is able to guard what has been entrusted to me until that day.



Take as your norm the sound words that you heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard this rich trust with the help of the Holy Spirit that dwells within us.

Lector: The word of the Lord.

We respond: Thanks be to God.



GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Please stand and join in singing to greet the Gospel.

Celtic Alleluia (Walker and O'Carroll)

Alleluia, alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia!

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 6:25–34

Priest: The Lord be with you.

We respond: And with your spirit.



Priest: A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

We respond: Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'Do do not worry about your life, what you will eat or 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 in the sky; they do not sow or reap, they gather nothing into barns, yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are not you more important than they?



Can any of you by worrying add a single moment to your life-span? Why are you anxious about clothes? Learn from the way the wild flowers grow. They do not work or spin. But I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendor was clothed like one of them. If God so clothes the grass of the field, which grows today and is thrown into the oven tomorrow, will he not much more provide for you, O you of little faith? So do not worry and say, 'What are we to eat?' or 'What are we to drink?' or 'What are we to wear?' All these things the pagans seek. Your heavenly Father knows that you need them all.



But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given you besides. Do not worry about tomorrow; tomorrow will take care of itself. Sufficient for a day is its own evil.

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.



HOMILY Rev. Daniel S. Hendrickson, SJ

THE UNIVERSAL PRAYER

*Please stand as we pray for the Church, the world,
and the gathered community.*

We respond: Lord, hear our prayer.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

*Please be seated as we begin
the Liturgy of the Eucharist.*



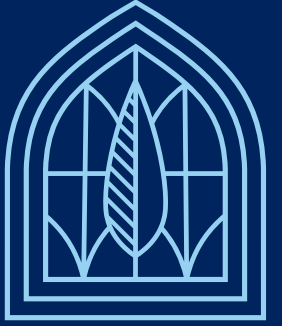


PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS AND ALTAR

These Alone Are Enough (Schutte)

VERSE 1

Take my heart, O Lord, take my hopes and dreams.
Take my mind with all its plans and schemes.
Give me nothing more than your love and grace.
These alone, O God, are enough for me.



VERSE 2

Take my thoughts, O Lord, and my memory.
Take my tears, my joys, my liberty.
Give me nothing more than your love and grace.
These alone, O God, are enough for me.

VERSE 3

I surrender, Lord, all I have and hold.
I return to you your gifts untold.
Give me nothing more than your love and grace.
These alone, O God, are enough for me.



VERSE 4

When the darkness falls on my final days,
take the very breath that sang your praise.
Give me nothing more than your love and grace.
These alone, O God, are enough for me.



PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS AND ALTAR

Live On in My Love (Collegeville Composers Group)

REFRAIN

Live on in my love.

Live on in my love, live on in my love.



*At the conclusion of the Preparation of the Gifts and Altar,
please stand as the Presider invites us to prayer:*

Presider: Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and
and yours may be acceptable to God, the
almighty Father.

We respond: ***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.***

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

We respond: Amen.



EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Although it is the norm in the United States to kneel during the Eucharistic Prayer and Communion Rite, we are in an environment which makes kneeling difficult. So that we may all truly be united in posture and presence with Christ, we invite the entire community to remain standing during the Eucharistic Prayer.

PREFACE

Presider: The Lord be with you.

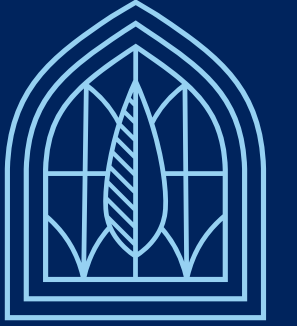
Presider: Lift up your hearts.

Presider: Let us give thanks
to the Lord our God.

We respond: And with your spirit.

We respond: We lift them up to the Lord.

We respond: It is right and just.



EUCCHARISTIC ACCLAMATIONS

Mass of Renewal (Stephan)

Holy:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of hosts.
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!

Memorial Acclamation:

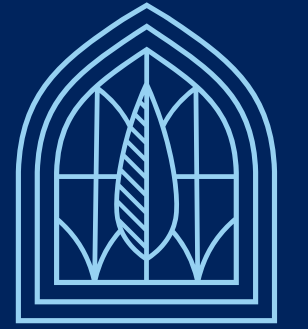
We proclaim your death, O Lord, and profess your
Resurrection, until you come again.



Great Amen:

Amen, amen, amen.

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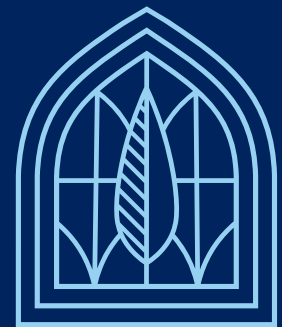
THE LORD'S PRAYER

***We pray: 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.***



Presider: Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil,
graciously grant peace in our days,
that, by the help of your mercy,
we may be always free from sin and safe
from all distress,
as we await the blessed hope
and the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

*We pray: For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are
yours, now and forever.*



SIGN OF PEACE

Presider: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

We respond: ***And with your spirit.***

Presider: Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

*We exchange a gesture of peace with those near us
as we prepare to share in the One Body of Christ.*



FRACTION RITE

Lamb of God, Mass of Renewal (Stephan)

***Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world.
Have mercy on us.***

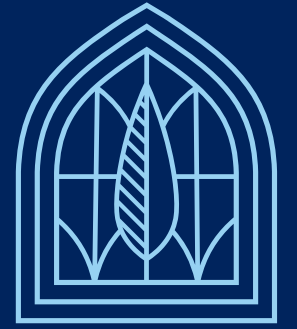
***Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world.
Have mercy on us.***

***Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world.
Grant us peace.***



Presider: 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.

***We respond: Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter
under my roof,
but only say the word and my soul shall
be healed.***



COMMUNION

Please remain at your seats as our ministers take up their positions. For communion, please remain in your seat until an usher releases your row.

Low-gluten hosts are available near the First Aid Station, Section 113, Concourse Level.



Receiving Christ in the real presence of the Eucharist is the primary sacrament of unity for Catholics. If you prefer not to receive the Eucharist, please approach with your arms crossed over your heart as shown here. Please return to your seat by the opposite end of the row. Follow the directions of the signs and ushers.



COMMUNION HYMNS

Love One Another (Dufford, SJ)

REFRAIN

Love one another as I have loved you.

Care for each other. I have cared for you.

Bear each other's burdens, bind each other's wounds,
and so you will know my return.

Verses sung by the choir.



COMMUNION HYMNS

One Bread, One Body (Foley, SJ)

One bread, one body, one Lord of all,
one cup of blessing which we bless.
And we, though many, throughout the earth,
we are one body in this one Lord.

1. Gentile or Jew, servant or free, woman or man, no more.
2. Many the gifts, many the works, one in the Lord of all.
3. Grain for the fields, scattered and grown,
gathered to one for all.



Hearts on Fire (Ridge and Smith)

VERSE 1

**In the roar of burning bramble,
Moses heard your challenge blaze:
“Lead my people out of slav’ry;
I am with you all your days.”**

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Speak again, O Lord, and lead us
in the service you inspire.

Make us all your holy people,
called to set the world on fire,
the world on fire.

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VERSE 2

Fiery pillar in our darkness,
lead us through the barren sand:
saints and sinners all together,
walking bravely hand in hand.

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VERSE 3

Try us in your fiery furnace;
burn away our fear and greed.
Only your love and your grace, Lord,
these are all that we will need.

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VERSE 4

Do our hearts not burn within us
at the breaking of the bread?
Will you, Lord, not journey with us
on the thorny road ahead?

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VERSE 5

Let us build your kingdom daily,
let us daily heed your call;
let us spend our lives completely
for your love consumes us all.

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VERSE 6

When the last day is upon us,
earth and heavens lost in flames,
bring us into your new heavens;
call your servants each by name.



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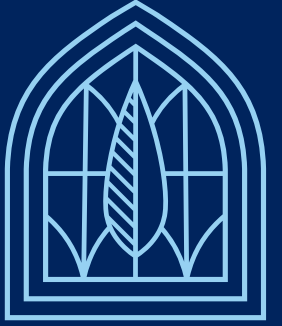


Live On in My Love (Collegeville Composers Group)

REFRAIN

Live on in my love.

Live on in my love, live on in my love.



CONCLUDING RITES

Graduates will be invited to raise a hand in blessing upon parents, family members, friends, faculty and staff.

Leader: We pray together:

***Graduates: Spirit of God,
Rest upon those who have journeyed with us
to this moment of celebration.
We thank you for our parents,
our family and our friends.
Bless them with love and support,
as they have blessed us throughout our lives.***



***Comfort them as we move together
into a new chapter of our lives,
and grant them the fullness of your peace.
O God of wisdom, thank you for the faculty
and staff of Creighton University,
and for their support and guidance.
Bless and encourage them in all they do,
and help them to know our gratitude.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.***

All respond: Amen.



BLESSING OF THE GRADUATES

Parents, family members, friends, faculty and staff will be invited to raise a hand in blessing upon our graduates.

Presider: We pray together:

***Assembly:* O God of all creation,
Grant these graduates the gift of wisdom
as they enter a new stage of their lives.
Give them inner strength through your Spirit,
and faith,
that Christ may dwell in their hearts.
Grant them awareness they are uniquely sent
to help bring about the Kingdom of God
in our world.**



***Give them courage and love
to act on this wisdom for the dignity of all,
for the welfare of the less fortunate,
and for the pursuit of peace and reconciliation.
May our kinship and friendship with them
be a blessing that continues
through the years to come.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.***

All respond: Amen.



FINAL BLESSINGS

Presider: The Lord be with you.

We respond: ***And with your spirit.***

The Presider blesses the entire assembly.

We respond: ***Amen.***

SENDING FORTH

The Presider proclaims that the Mass has ended and sends us forth to serve God in the world.

We respond: ***Thanks be to God.***



RECESSIONAL HYMN

Christ, Be Our Light (Farrell)

VERSE 1

Longing for light, we wait in darkness.

Longing for truth, we turn to you.

Make us your own, your holy people,

Light for the world to see.



REFRAIN

Christ, be our light!

Shine in our hearts.

Shine through the darkness.

Christ, be our light!

Shine in your church gathered today.



VERSE 2

Longing for peace, our world is troubled.
Longing for hope, many despair.
Your word alone has pow'r to save us.
Make us your living voice.



REFRAIN

Christ, be our light!

Shine in our hearts.

Shine through the darkness.

Christ, be our light!

Shine in your church gathered today.



VERSE 5

Many the gifts, many the people,
many the hearts that yearn to belong.
Let us be servants to one another,
making your kingdom come.



REFRAIN

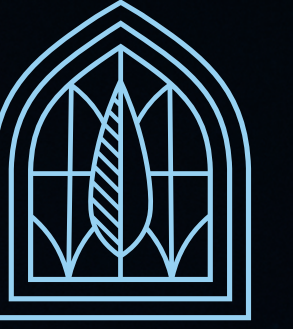
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Stay after Mass
**for Fireworks to Celebrate
the Class of 2025!**

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