

# ST. MARK CHURCH

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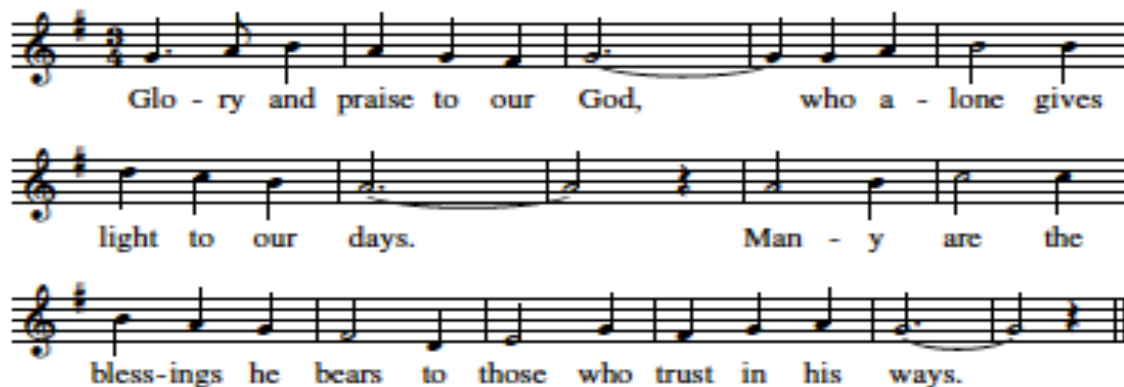
SATURDAY JULY 11, SUNDAY 12 2020

## INTRODUCTORY RITES

### GATHERING HYMN

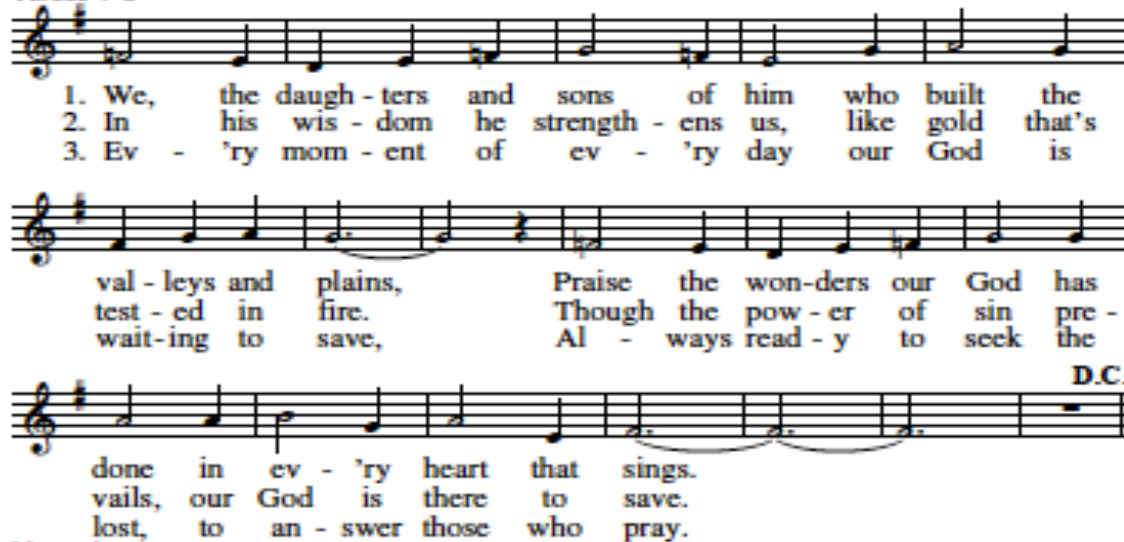
#### Glory and Praise to Our God

Refrain



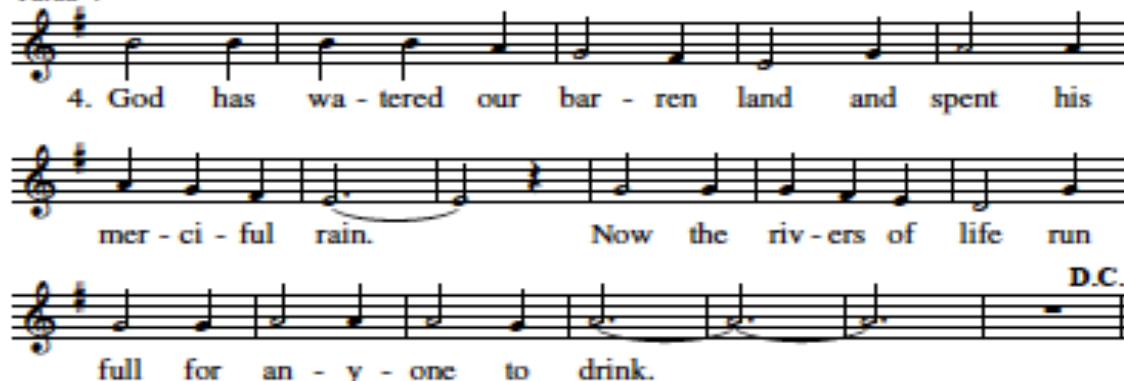
Glo - ry and praise to our God, who a - lone gives  
light to our days. Man - y are the  
bless-ings he bears to those who trust in his ways.

Verses 1-3



1. We, the daugh - ters and sons of him who built the  
2. In his wis - dom he strength - ens us, like gold that's  
3. Ev - 'ry mom - ent of ev - 'ry day our God is  
val - leys and plains, Praise the won - ders our God has  
test - ed in fire. Though the pow - er of sin pre -  
wait - ing to save, Al - ways read - y to seek the  
D.C.  
done in ev - 'ry heart that sings.  
vails, our God is there to save.  
lost, to an - swer those who pray.

Verse 4



4. God has wa - tered our bar - ren land and spent his  
mer - ci - ful rain. Now the riv - ers of life run  
D.C.  
full for an - y - one to drink.

## OPENING PRAYER

## PENETENTIAL RITE

## GLORIA

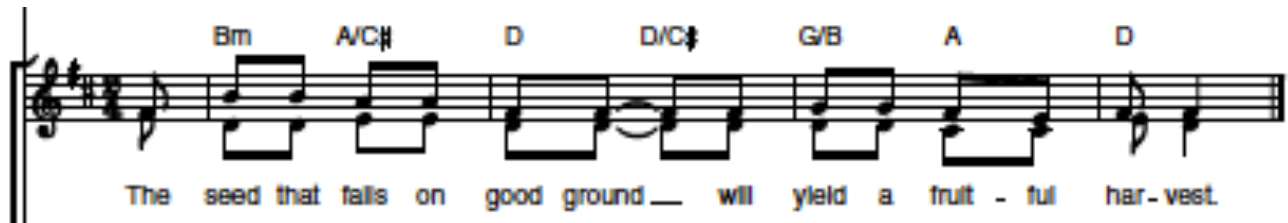
# LITURGY OF THE WORD

## FIRST READING

**IS 55:10-11**

Thus says the LORD: Just as from the heavens the rain and snow come down and do not return there till they have watered the earth, making it fertile and fruitful, giving seed to the one who sows and bread to the one who eats, so shall my word be that goes forth from my mouth; my word shall not return to me void, but shall do my will, achieving the end for which I sent it.

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM



The seed that falls on good ground — will yield a fruit - ful har - vest.

Chords: Bm, A/C#, D, D/C#, G/B, A, D

## SECOND READING

**2 ROM 8:18-23**

Brothers and sisters: I consider that the sufferings of this present time are as nothing compared with the glory to be revealed for us. For creation awaits with eager expectation the revelation of the children of God; for creation was made subject to futility, not of its own accord but because of the one who subjected it, in hope that creation itself would be set free from slavery to corruption and share in the glorious freedom of the children of God. We know that all creation is groaning in labor pains even until now; and not only that, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, we also groan within ourselves as we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

## GOSPEL READING

**MT 13:1-23 or 13:1-9**

On that day, Jesus went out of the house and sat down by the sea. Such large crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat down, and the whole crowd stood along the shore. And he spoke to them at length in parables, saying: "A sower

went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seed fell on the path, and birds came and ate it up. Some fell on rocky ground, where it had little soil. It sprang up at once because the soil was not deep, and when the sun rose it was scorched, and it withered for lack of roots. Some seed fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked it. But some seed fell on rich soil, and produced fruit, a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold. Whoever has ears ought to hear." The disciples approached him and said, "Why do you speak to them in parables?" He said to them in reply, "Because knowledge of the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven has been granted to you, but to them it has not been granted. To anyone who has, more will be given and he will grow rich; from anyone who has not, even what he has will be taken away. This is why I speak to them in parables, because *they look but do not see and hear but do not listen or understand*. Isaiah's prophecy is fulfilled in them, which says: *You shall indeed hear but not understand; you shall indeed look but never see. Gross is the heart of this people, they will hardly hear with their ears, they have closed their eyes, lest they see with their eyes and hear with their ears and understand with their hearts and be converted, and I heal them*. "But blessed are your eyes, because they see, and your ears, because they hear. Amen, I say to you, many prophets and righteous people longed to see what you see but did not see it, and to hear what you hear but did not hear it. "Hear then the parable of the sower. The seed sown on the path is the one who hears the word of the kingdom without understanding it, and the evil one comes and steals away what was sown in his heart. The seed sown on rocky ground is the one who hears the word and receives it at once with joy. But he has no root and lasts only for a time. When some tribulation or persecution comes because of the word, he immediately falls away. The seed sown among thorns is the one who hears the word, but then worldly anxiety and the lure of riches choke the word and it bears no fruit. But the seed sown on rich soil is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold."

**or**

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## HOMILY

### PROFESSION OF FAITH

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from Heaven.

*(all bow at the following line:)*

And by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day 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.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

### UNIVERSAL PRAYER

## LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

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### EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

### HOLY HOLY

# MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

AMEN

## COMMUNION RITE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

LAMB OF GOD

## COMMUNION HYMN

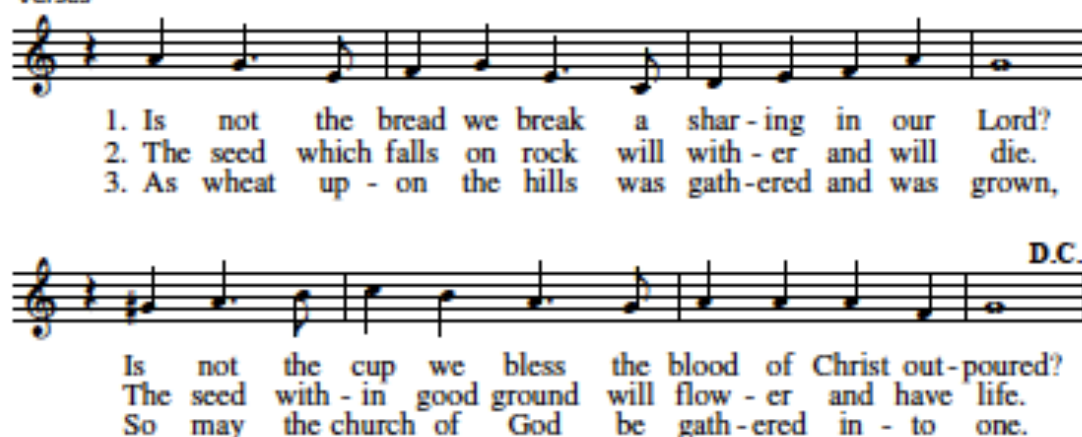
### Seed, Scattered and Sown

Refrain



Seed, scat-tered and sown, wheat, gath-ered and  
grown, bread, bro-ken and shared as one, the  
Liv-ing Bread of God. Vine, fruit of the land,  
wine, work of our hands, one cup that is shared by all; the  
Liv-ing Cup, the Liv-ing Bread of God.

Verses



1. Is not the bread we break a shar-ing in our Lord?  
2. The seed which falls on rock will with-er and will die.  
3. As wheat up-on the hills was gath-ered and was grown,  
D.C.  
Is not the cup we bless the blood of Christ out-poured?  
The seed with-in good ground will flow-er and have life.  
So may the church of God be gath-ered in-to one.

Text: Didache 9, 1 Corinthians 10:16-17, Mark 4:3-6; Das Feilen  
Tune: Das Feilen; keyboard arr. by Eric Gunnison, R.J. Miller  
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## SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus,

*I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.*

*I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.*

*Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to you.*

*Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.*

## CONCLUDING RITES

PRAYER

BLESSING

DISMISSAL

SENDING FORTH HYMN

### HOW CAN I KEEP FROM SINGING

ENDLESS SONG

Verses



1. My life flows on in end-less song; A -  
2. Through all the tu - mult and the strife, I  
3. What though the tem - pest 'round me roar, I  
4. When ty - rants trem - ble, sick with fear, And  
5. The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, A



1. bove earth's lam - en - ta - tion. I hear the real though  
2. hear that mu - sic ring - ing; It sounds and ech - oes  
3. hear the truth it liv - eth. What though the dark - ness  
4. hear their death knells ring - ing; When friends re - joi - ce both  
5. foun - tain ev - er spring - ing. All things are mine since



1. far - off hymn That hails a new cre - a - tion.  
2. in my soul; How can I keep from sing - ing?  
3. 'round me close, Songs in the night it giv - eth.  
4. far and near, How can I keep from sing - ing?  
5. I am his; How can I keep from sing - ing?

Refrain



No storm can shake my in - most calm, While to that rock I'm



cling - ing. Since Love is Lord of heav - en and earth,



How can I keep from sing - ing?