

**INTRODUCTORY RITES**

**Opening Song: As We Gather at Your Table G 922**

As we gather at Your table  
As we listen to Your word  
Help us know O God Your presence  
Let our hearts and minds be stirred  
Nourish us with sacred story  
Till we claim it as our own  
Teach us through this holy banquet  
How to make Love's vict'ry known

Turn our worship into witness  
In the sacrament of life  
Send us forth to love and serve You  
Bringing peace where there is strife  
Give us Christ Your great compassion  
To forgive as You forgave  
May we still behold Your image  
In the world You died to save

Gracious Spirit help us  
Summon other guests  
To share that feast  
Where triumphant Love will welcome  
Those who had been last and least  
There no more will envy  
Blind us nor will pride  
Our peace destroy  
As we join with saints and angels  
To repeat the sounding joy

**Glory to God: Mass of New Wine (Jakob) (Lyrics: G 250)**

**LITURGY OF THE WORD**

**First Reading:** Sirach 27:30-28:7

**Psalm 103:** *The Lord is compassionate and gracious, Slow to anger and rich in mercy.*

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**Second Reading:** Romans 14:7-9

**Gospel Acclamation: Salisbury Alleluia**

**Gospel:** Matthew 18:21-35

## Homily

### LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

**Preparation of Gifts & Altar:** Make Me a Channel of Your Peace **G 893**

1 Make me a channel of your peace:  
Where there is hatred, let me bring your love;  
where there is injury, your healing power,  
and where there's doubt, true faith in you.

2 Make me a channel of your peace:  
where there's despair in life let me bring hope;  
Where there is darkness, only light,  
and where there's sadness, ever joy.

3 O, Spirit, grant that I may never seek  
so much to be consoled as to console,  
to be understood as to understand,  
to be loved as to love with all my soul.

4 Make me a channel of your peace:  
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,  
in giving to all that we receive,  
and in dying that we're born to eternal life.

**Eucharistic Acclamations:** Mass of Creation **G 231**

Holy- When we eat- Amen

### COMMUNION RITE

**Our Father**

**Lamb of God:** Mass of Creation

**Communion Song:** Where Charity and Love Prevail **G 774**

Where charity and love prevail,  
there God is ever found;  
Brought here together by Christ's love,  
by love are we thus bound.

With grateful joy and holy fear  
His charity we learn;  
Let us with heart and mind and soul  
now love him in return.

Forgive we now each other's faults  
as we our faults confess;  
And let us love each other well  
in Christian holiness.

Let strife among us be unknown,  
let all contention cease;  
Be His the glory that we seek,  
be ours His holy peace.

Let us recall that in our midst  
dwells God's begotten Son;  
As members of His body joined,  
we are in Him made one.

No race or creed can love exclude,  
if honored be God's name;  
Our family embraces all  
whose Father is the same.

### **CONCLUDING RITE**

#### ***Dismissal Chant:* Touch the Earth Lightly G 636**

Touch the earth lightly,  
use the earth gently,  
nourish the life of the world in our care:  
gift of great wonder,  
ours to surrender,  
trust for the children tomorrow will bear.

We who endanger,  
who create hunger,  
agents of death for all creatures that live,  
we who would foster  
clouds of disaster,  
God of our planet, forestall and forgive!

Let there be greening,  
birth from the burning,  
water that blesses and air that is sweet,  
health in God's garden,  
hope in God's children,  
regeneration that peace will complete.

God of all living,  
God of all loving,  
God of the seedling, the snow, and the sun,  
teach us, deflect us,  
Christ reconnect us,  
using us gently and making us one.

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