

**INTRODUCTORY RITES**

**Opening Song: Two Noble Saints G-962**

Two noble saints, both rooted in faith and holy love,  
By hope of God united They reach to heav'n above.  
One on a cross is martyred, One by the sword is slain;  
Both triumph in their dying, Both glorious sainthood gain.

The words of Paul assure us Of Christs redeeming word;  
The works of Peter show us How we may serve the Lord.  
All glory to the Father, All glory to the Son,  
Who with the Holy Spirit, Now reign, blest Three in One.

**LITURGY OF THE WORD**

**First Reading:** Acts 12:1-11

***Psalm 34: From all my terrors the LORD set me free.***

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**Second Reading:** 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18

***Gospel Acclamation:*** Salisbury Alleluia

**Gospel:** Matthew 16:13-19

**Homily**

**Universal Prayer / Creed / Renewal of Promises**

**LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST**

***Preparation of Gifts & Altar:*** Here I Am, Lord **G 844**

I, the Lord of sea and sky  
I have heard my people cry  
All who dwell in dark and sin  
My hand will save

[Chorus] Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?  
I have heard you calling in the night  
I will go, Lord, if you lead me  
I will hold your people in my heart

I, who made the stars of night  
I will make their darkness bright  
Who will bear my light to them?  
Whom shall I send?

[Chorus]

I, the Lord of snow and rain  
I have borne my people's pain  
I have wept for love of them  
They turn away

[Chorus]

I will break their hearts of stone  
Give them hearts for love alone  
I will speak my words to them  
Whom shall I send?

[Chorus]

I, the Lord of wind and flame  
I will tend the poor and lame  
I will set a feast for them  
My hand will save

[Chorus]

Finest bread I will provide  
'Til their hearts be satisfied  
I will give my life to them  
Whom shall I send?

[Chorus]

***Eucharistic Acclamations:*** Mass of Creation **G 231, 234, 238** (Holy - We Proclaim - Amen)

### **COMMUNION RITE**

**Our Father**

***Lamb of God:*** Be Not Afraid **G 754**

***Communion Song:*** You Satisfy the Hungry Heart **G 1032**

You shall cross the barren desert  
But you shall not die of thirst  
You shall wander far in safety  
Though you do not know the way  
You shall speak your words in foreign lands  
And all will understand  
You shall see the face of God and live

Be not afraid  
I go before you always

Come follow me  
And I will give you rest

Blessed are your poor, for the kingdom shall be theirs  
Blessed are you that weep and mourn  
For one day you shall laugh  
And if wicked men insult and hate you all because of me  
Blessed, blessed are you

[3x] Be not afraid  
I go before you always  
Come follow me  
And I will give you rest

### **CONCLUDING RITE**

***Dismissal Chant:*** Sing with All the Saints in Glory **G 563**

Sing with all the saints in glory;  
sing the resurrection song!  
Death and sorrow, earth's dark story,  
to the former days belong.  
All around the clouds are breaking;  
soon the storms of time shall cease.  
In God's likeness we, awaking,  
know the everlasting peace.

O what glory, far exceeding  
all that eye has yet perceived!  
Holy hearts, for ages pleading,  
never that full joy conceived.  
God has promised, Christ prepares it,  
there on high our welcome waits;  
ev'ry humble spirit shares it;  
Christ has passed th'eternal gates.

Life eternal! heav'n rejoices:  
Jesus lives, who once was dead!  
Join we now the deathless voices;  
child of God, lift up your head!  
Patriarchs from distant ages,  
saints all longing for their heav'n,  
prophets, psalmists, seers, and sages—  
all await the glory giv'n.

Life eternal! O what wonders  
crowd on faith; what joy unknown,  
when amid earth's closing thunders,  
saints shall stand before the throne!

O to enter that bright portal,  
see that glowing firmament;  
know, with Thee, O God immortal,  
Jesus Christ whom Thou hast sent!

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