Celebration!
April 2, 2017

Welcome

Opening Acclamation
Open our lips, O Lord,
And our mouths shall proclaim your praise!

* Song
   This Is the Day

* Prayer

The Peace
The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

Prayer for Illumination

Shine in our hearts the purest light of your eternal word; open our eyes to comprehend the message of our Lord. Amen.

Seeing and Touching the Word
Lazarus’ Story
Jennifer Hsiung
* The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

Offering

Praise and thanksgiving let everyone sing
Unto the Father for every good thing.
Altogether everyone sing.

The Lord's Supper

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give God thanks and praise.
Sanctus
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might
Heaven and earth are full of your glory
Hosanna in the highest!
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord
Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest!

Response to our prayers
Lord in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

Lord's Prayer
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 debts as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory forever. Amen.

The gifts of God for the people of God.
Let us keep the feast!

Communion Hymn Come to the Table of Grace

Prayer after Communion
God, who takes care of each one of us, thank you
for feeding us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation;
Now send us out into the world to tell everyone about your love. Amen.

Benediction and Going Forth
Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
In the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen!

* Closing Song (over) Every Time I Feel the Spirit
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Refrain

Every time I feel the Spirit moving in my heart I will pray. Yes, every time I feel the Spirit moving in my heart I will pray.

1. Upon the mountain, when my Lord spoke, out of God's mouth came fire and smoke. Looked all around me, it looked so bod- y but not the soul. There is but one train up - on this fine till I asked my Lord if all was mine track. It runs to heaven and then right back.

2. Jordan River, chilly and cold, it chills the Like many African American spirituals, this one mixes the language of biblical narrative with veiled but effective allusions to the hope of escape from slavery, either by crossing rivers into free states or by participating in organized efforts like the Underground Railroad.

TEXT: African American spiritual
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