

Parish of the Ascension
Lent II
Wee Worship Book
Morning Liturgy C
February 28, 2021

Welcome

Opening Hymn

Opening Responses

Leader: O God, you summon the day to dawn,
You teach the morning to waken the earth.

ALL: Great is Your name
Great is Your love

Leader: For you the valleys shall sing for joy,
The trees of the field shall clap their hands.

ALL: Great is Your name
Great is Your love

Leader: For you the leaders of the earth shall bow,
The poor and helpless shall shout for joy.

ALL: Great is Your name
Great is Your love

Leader: Your love and mercy shall last for ever,
Fresh as the morning, sure as the sunrise.

ALL: Great is Your name
Great is Your love

Prayer

Leader: Let us pray.

Lord God,
Early in the morning,
When the world was young,
You made life in all its beauty and terror,
You gave birth to all that we know.
Hallowed be your name.

ALL: Hallowed be Your name.

Leader: Early in the morning,
When the world least expected it,
A newborn child crying in a cradle
Told us that you had come among us,
That you were one of us.
Hallowed be your name.

ALL: Hallowed be Your name.

Leader: Early in the morning,
Surrounded by robbers,
Religious leaders, Roman soldiers
And silent friends,
You accepted the penalty for doing good,
For being God:
You shouldered and suffered the cross.
Hallowed be your name.

ALL: Hallowed be Your name.

Leader: Early in the morning
A voice in a guarded graveyard
And footsteps in the dew
Proved that you had risen,
That you came back
To those and for those
Who had forgotten, denied and destroyed you.
Hallowed be your name.

ALL: Hallowed be Your name.

Leader: Early in the morning
In the multicoloured company
Of your Church on earth and in heaven
We celebrate your creation,
your life,
your death, resurrection, and ascension
your interest in us:
so to you we pray,

**ALL: Lord, bring new life
where we are worn and tired,
new love where we have turned
away our hearts,
forgiveness where we feel hurt
and where we have wounded,
and the joy and freedom
of your holy spirit
where we are scared to show who we really
are.**

(Silence)

Leader: To all and to each
Where regret is real,
God pronounces pardon
And grants us the right to begin again.
Thanks be to God!

ALL: Amen.

Hymn

Word of God

Reader: Let us listen for the Word of the Lord
Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

Reader: This is the word of our Lord

ALL: Thanks Be To God

Psalm 19

Hymn

Gospel Mark 8:31-38

Reflection on the Word

Hymn for the Offering

Prayers of the People

Leader: . . . Lord in your mercy

ALL: Hear our prayer

Collect of the Day

Happy Birthday/Anniversary

Sung Blessing:

Priest: May the blessing of God be upon you!
 The blessing of the Father and the Son!
 And may the Spirit of God, the Spirit of love
 Be with you all your days.

May God the Father, from Whom every family takes its name, give you the power through His Spirit for your hidden self to grow strong. And may Jesus, the Son, live in your heart through faith and then, planted in love and built on love, may you be filled with the fullness of God.

**ALL: May the blessing of God be upon you!
 The blessing of the Father and the Son!
 And may the Spirit of God, the Spirit of
 Peace be with you all your days.**

Closing Hymn

Closing Responses:

Leader: From where we are to where you need us,
ALL: Jesus, now lead on.

Leader: From the security of what we know to the
adventure of what you will reveal,
ALL: Jesus, now lead on.

Leader: To refashion the fabric of this world until it
resembles the shape of your kingdom,
ALL: Jesus, now lead on.

Leader: Because good things have been prepared for
those who love God,
ALL: Jesus, now lead on.