

Gathering Song:*He is Exalted***OPENING RESPONSES -- IONA WORSHIP**

Celebrant: We gather here in your presence God...

All: ... in our need, and bringing with us the needs of the world

Celebrant: We come to you, for you came to us in Jesus, ...

All: And you know by experience what human life is like

Celebrant: We come with our faith and with our doubts...

All: We come with our hopes and with our fears

Celebrant: We come as we are because you invite us to come...

All: And you have promised never to turn us away**Opening Song:***Yours be the Glory CP 210***PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

Celebrant: Let us prepare ourselves for the Word of God as it comes to us in the reading of Holy Scripture.

All: Our hearts and minds are open.**First Reading:** Acts 5:27-32**Psalm 150** (Responsively)1 Hallelujah! Praise God in his holy temple; * **praise him in the firmament of his power.**2 Praise him for his mighty acts; * **praise him for his excellent greatness.**3 Praise him with the blast of the ram's-horn; * **praise him with lyre and harp.**4 Praise him with timbrel and dance; * **praise him with strings and pipe.**5 Praise him with resounding cymbals; * **praise him with loud-clanging cymbals.**6 Let everything that has breath * **praise the Lord. Hallelujah!****PSALM PRAYER****All:** Maker of the universe, Source of all life, give us grace to serve you with our whole heart, that we may faithfully perform your will and joyfully participate in your creation, to the praise and glory of your name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**Second Reading:** Revelation 1:4-8**Song before the Gospel:** *Love Divine all Loves Excelling CP 486***Gospel:** John 20:19-31**REFLECTION****AFFIRMATION**

Celebrant: With the whole church...

All: We affirm that we are made in God's image, befriended by Christ, empowered by the Spirit.

Celebrant: With people everywhere...

All: We affirm God's goodness at the heart of humanity, planted more deeply than all that is wrong.

Celebrant: With all creation...

All: We celebrate the miracle and wonder of life; the unfolding purposes of God, forever at work in ourselves and the world.**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE****INVITATION -- LAYING ON OF HANDS -- IONA****Healing Song:***How Deep the Father's Love for Us***LAYING ON HANDS -- IONA****Prayer before Laying on of Hands...***Prayer for Laying on of hands: (repeated with each person)***All:** Spirit of the living God, present with us now, enter you, body, mind and spirit, and heal you of all that harms you, in Jesus name. Amen.*After Laying on of Hands:*

Celebrant: O God, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who fashioned the earth and all who live there

All: We praise you

Celebrant: That the eyes of the blind be opened, the broken hearted healed, the poor hear good news and the captives be brought out of darkness,

All: Your Kingdom come O Lord, Your will be done. Amen**The Lord's Prayer** (said)**INVITATION -- COMMUNION****Offering Song***The Wonderful Cross***COMMUNION -- IONA**

Celebrant: ... in the coming kingdom of God." Let us pray:

All: Loving God, though Your goodness we have this bread and wine to offer, which earth has given and human hands have made. May we know Your presence in the sharing of this bread so that we may know Your touch in all bread, all matter...

...we celebrate the life that Jesus has shared among his community through the centuries, and shares with us now. Made one in Christ and one with

each other, we offer these gifts and with them ourselves, a single, holy, living sacrifice. Amen.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to God.

All: It is right to give both thanks and praise.

Celebrant: We offer You praise dear God ...we join in the song of Your unending greatness.

All: 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.

Celebrant: Hear us, O Christ and breathe your Spirit ... bone of your bone, flesh of your flesh, loving and caring in the world.

All: Amen.

Celebrant: Look, the Body of Christ is broken for the life of the world. Here is Christ coming to us in bread and wine. The gifts of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

This is the Body of Christ

Communion Songs:

*Knowing You
In Your Presence*

THE PEACE

Celebrant: Many grains were gathered to make this bread, many grapes were mixed to make this wine. So we who are many, and come from many places, are one in Christ. May the peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us greet one another with the sign of peace.

THE BLESSING -- IONA

Celebrant: May the everlasting God shield you, east and west and wherever you go. And the blessing of God be upon you.

All: The blessing of the God of life.

Celebrant: The blessing of Christ be upon you.

All: The blessing of the Christ of love

Celebrant: The blessing of the Spirit be upon you.

All: The blessing of the spirit of grace

Celebrant: The blessing of the Trinity be upon you. Now and forevermore

All: Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sending Out Song:

Joyful Joyful We Adore Thee CP 425

DISMISSAL

Celebrant: As we leave this place, may our worship continue.

All: May we go out with joy and be led forth with peace.

Celebrant: May we have ears to hear the mountains and hills bursting into song around us.

All: May we have eyes to see the trees of the field clapping their hands.

And may we join with them in joyful gratitude and praise to God our creator.