

FIRST READING

When Peter entered, Cornelius met him and, falling at his feet, paid him homage. Peter, however, raised him up, saying, "Get up. I myself am also a human being."

The Peter proceeded to speak and said, "In truth, I see that God shows no partiality. Rather, every nation whoever fears him and acts uprightly is acceptable to him."

While Peter was still speaking these things, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who were listening to the word. The circumcised believers who had accompanied Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit should have been poured out on the Gentiles also, for they could hear them speaking in tongues and glorifying God. The Peter responded, "Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people, who have received the Holy Spirit even as we have?" He ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ.

SECOND READING

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is of God; everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God. Whoever is without love does not know God, for God is love. In this way the love of God was revealed to us:

God sent his only Son into the world so that we might have life through him. In this is love: not that we have loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as expiation for our sins.

GOSPEL

Jesus said to his disciples: "As the Father loves me, so I also love you. Remain in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and remain in his love. I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and your joy might be complete. This is my commandment: love one another as I love you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I no longer call you slaves, because a slave does not know what his master is doing. I have called you friends, because I have told you everything I have heard from my Father. It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit that will remain, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name he may give you. This I command you: love one another."



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Oh, Happy Day!



(Gathering Hymn)

“Our God is Here”

Here in this time, here in this place, here we are standing face to face.
Here in our hearts, here in our lives, our God is here.
Here for broken, here for the strong. Here in this temple we belong.
Here in our hearts, here in our lives, our God is here.

(REFRAIN)

*And we cry Holy, Holy, Holy are you! We cry Holy, Holy, Holy and true!
Amen, we do believe our God is here....our God is here.*

Here in the Word, God is revealed, here where the wounded can be healed.
Here in our hearts, here in our lives, our God is here.
Here we become what we receive, here in this Eucharistic feast.
We are his Body, living as one, our God is here.

(REFRAIN)

(Responsorial)

The Lord has revealed to the nations His saving power.

(Presentation of The Gifts)

“We Have Been Told”

(REFRAIN)

We have been told, we’ve seen his face and heard his voice alive in our hearts;
“Live in my love with all your heart, as the Father has loved me, so I have loved you.”

“I am the vine, you are the branches, and all who live in me will bear great fruit.”

(REFRAIN)

“You are my friends, if you keep my commands, no longer slave, I call you friends.”

(REFRAIN)

“No greater love is there than this: to lay down one’s life for a friend.”

(REFRAIN)

(Communion)

“Now We Remain”

(REFRAIN)

We hold the death of the Lord deep in our hearts. Living, now we remain with Jesus, the Christ.

Once we were people afraid, lost in the night. Then by your cross we were saved; dead became living, life from your giving.

(REFRAIN)

Something which we have known, something we’ve touched, what we have seen with our eyes: this we have heard; life-giving Word.

(REFRAIN)

He chose to give of himself, became our bread. Broken that we might live. Love beyond love, pain for our pain.

(REFRAIN)

We are the presence of God; this is our call. Now to become bread and wine: food for the hungry, life for the weary, for to live with the Lord, we must die with the Lord.

(Meditation)

Fly Like a Bird

(Closing Hymn)

“Oh Happy Day!”

Oh Happy Day. Oh Happy Day. When Jesus washed, Oh, when he washed, when Jesus washed, He washed the sins away. Oh, Happy Day!

Oh Happy Day. Oh Happy Day. When Jesus washed, Oh, when he washed, when Jesus washed, He washed the sins away. Oh, Happy Day!

*He taught me how to watch, fight and pray, fight and pray!
And live rejoicing every day, every day!*

Oh Happy Day. Oh Happy Day. When Jesus washed, Oh, when he washed, when Jesus washed, He washed the sins away. Oh, Happy Day!