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FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION

حفدبهم دفعجه

The Anthem of the Chancel (Sanctuary)

I will extol you, O my Lord the King.

The Cross of Christ slew sin, which was killing our nature, and companies of witnesses marveled at the victory at the top of the Wood, for the man who hung on the Cross overcame two mighty things, Satan and corrupting death.

The poor shall hear and rejoice.

The Cross of Christ slew sin, which was killing our nature, and companies of witnesses marveled at the victory at the top of the Wood, for the man who hung on the Cross overcame two mighty things, Satan and corrupting death.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; from everlasting, and for ever and ever. Amen.

O Christ, who reconciled the height and the depth with your own blood, reconcile priests and kings, O my Lord, and raise up your Church in your compassion. May one standard of faith reign in all the world through your loving-kindness, O merciful Lord.





The READINGS

Isaiah 49:13-23

Sing for joy, O heavens, and exult, O earth; break forth, O mountains, into singing! For the LORD has comforted his people, and will have compassion on his afflicted. But Zion said, "The LORD has forsaken me, my Lord has forgotten me." "Can a woman forget her sucking child, that she should have no compassion on the son of her womb? Even these may forget, yet I will not forget you. Behold, I have graven you on the palms of my hands; your walls are continually before me. Your builders outstrip your destroyers, and those who laid you waste go forth from you. Lift up your eyes round about and see; they all gather, they come to you. As I live, says the LORD, you shall put them all on as an ornament, you shall bind them on as a bride does. "Surely your waste and your desolate places and your devastated land – surely now you will be too narrow for your inhabitants, and those who swallowed you up will be far away.

The children born in the time of your bereavement will yet say in your ears: 'The place is too narrow for me; make room for me to dwell in.' Then you will say in your heart: 'Who has borne me these? I was bereaved and barren, exiled and put away, but who has brought up these? Behold, I was left alone; whence then have these come?" Thus says the Lord GOD: "Behold, I will lift up my hand to the nations, and raise my signal to the peoples; and they shall bring your sons in their bosom, and your daughters shall be carried on their shoulders. Kings shall be your foster fathers, and their queens your nursing mothers. With their faces to the ground they shall bow down to you,

and lick the dust of your feet.

Then you will know that I am the LORD;

those who wait for me shall not be put to shame."

Acts 8:14-25

Now when the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had received the word of God, they sent to them Peter and John, who came down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit; for it had not yet fallen on any of them, but they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. Then they laid their hands on them and they received the Holy Spirit. Now when Simon saw that the Spirit was given through the laying on of the apostles' hands, he offered them money, saying, "Give me also this power, that any one on whom I lay my hands may receive the Holy Spirit." But Peter said to him, "Your silver perish with you, because you thought you could obtain the gift of God with money! You have neither part nor lot in this matter, for your heart is not right before God. Repent therefore of this wickedness of yours, and pray to the Lord that, if possible, the intent of your heart may be forgiven you. For I see that you are in the gall of bitterness and in the bond of iniquity." And Simon answered, "Pray for me to the Lord, that nothing of what you have said may come upon me."

Now when they had testified and spoken the word of the Lord, they returned to Jerusalem, preaching the gospel to many villages of the Samaritans.

Please Stand Up for the Recitation of Shuraya.

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The SHURAYA (The Beginning)

Hear this, all peoples! *Hallelujah, hallelujah, yea hallelujah*! Hear this, all peoples!* Give ear, all inhabitants of the world,* Children of the earth and sons of men,* Rich and poor together!* My mouth shall speak wisdom;* My heart shall meditate on understanding.* Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.* From everlasting, and for ever and ever. Amen.* *Hallelujah, hallelujah, yea hallelujah*!





The APOSTLE

The Epistle of St. Paul to the Ephesians, Bless, O my Lord.

Ephesians 1:15-2:5

..... [B]ecause I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, I do not cease to give thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers, that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of him, having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power in us who believe, according to the working of his great might which he accomplished in Christ when he raised him from the dead and made him sit at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in that which is to come; and he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fulness of him who fills all in all.

And you he made alive, when you were dead through the trespasses and sins in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience. Among these we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, following the desires of body and mind, and so we were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind. But God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved)

Glory be to the Lord of Paul.



The GOSPEL ZUMARA

The LORD reigns; let the earth rejoice; let the many isles be glad! 🔅

Clouds and thick darkness are round about him; in righteousness and judgment he has set up his throne.*

رفبكجنوع The Gospel

The Holy Gospel according to the preaching of St. John.

John 16:16-end

"A little while, and you will see me no more; again a little

while, and you will see me." Some of his disciples said to one another, "What is this that he says to us, 'A little while, and you will not see me, and again a little while, and you will see me'; and, 'because I go to the Father'?" They said, "What does he mean by 'a little while'? We do not know what he means." Jesus knew that they wanted to ask him; so he said to them, "Is this what you are asking yourselves, what I meant by saying, 'A little while, and you will not see me, and again a little while, and you will see me'? Truly, truly, I say to you, you will weep and lament, but the world will rejoice; you will be sorrowful, but your sorrow will turn into joy. When a woman is in travail she has sorrow, because her hour has come; but when she is delivered of the child, she no longer remembers the anguish, for joy that a child is born into the world. So you have sorrow now, but I will see you again and your hearts will rejoice, and no one will take your joy from you. In that day you will ask nothing of me. Truly, truly, I say to you, if you ask anything of the Father, he will give it to you in my name. Hitherto you have asked nothing in my name; ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full.

"I have said this to you in figures; the hour is coming when I shall no longer speak to you in figures but tell you plainly of the Father. In that day you will ask in my name; and I do not say to you that I shall pray the Father for you; for the Father himself loves you, because you have loved me and have believed that I came from the Father. I came from the Father and have come into the world; again, I am leaving the world and going to the Father."

His disciples said, "Ah, now you are speaking plainly, not in any figure! Now we know that you know all things, and need none to question you; by this we believe that you came from God." Jesus answered them, "Do you now believe? The hour is coming, indeed it has come, when you will be scattered, every man to his home, and will leave me alone; yet I am not alone, for the Father is with me. I have said this to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world."

حفيج ويدود

The Anthem of the Mysteries

Text: He has put them to shame openly in himself: he who gave himself for us.

You have saved us from our enemies.

O Jesus our victorious King, who came and saved us by your Cross, putting an end to the dominion of death which held us in our sins, and putting to shame Satan and his host openly, we beseech you, keep us in your compassion, and make us worthy of the fearful gift of your holy Mysteries. In your loving-kindness, O my Lord, you have given us the gift for the pardon of our debts and the salvation of our souls.

You have saved us, O Lord God of truth.

O Jesus our victorious King, who came and saved us by your Cross, putting an end to the dominion of death which held us in our sins, and putting to shame Satan and his host openly, we beseech you, keep us in your compassion, and make us worthy of the fearful gift of your holy Mysteries. In your loving-kindness, O my Lord, you have given us the gift for the pardon of our debts and the salvation of our souls.



The Anthem of the Bema

Behold, the Body and living Blood of Christ, he who forgives debts. Draw near, O peoples, and receive pardon from the Table of the Kingdom, hallelujah!

Verses:

Jonathan tasted the honey at the top of his staff and his eyes were enlightened. Behold, enlighten your minds with the sweetness of the Cross, hallelujah!

