

Living the Word: Acts 3.13-15, 17-19

This passage forms the final section of Peter's speech to the people of Jerusalem after Pentecost. At the end of the speech he calls the crowds to repent and change the course of their lives. Repentance and forgiveness are central to the Christian life and we must keep ourselves in check. Jesus came to reconcile us to the Father and to one another. We must be his agents of reconciliation in a broken and divided world. Are there people in our lives who we struggle to forgive? Do we nurture anger and wrath in our heart, or do we work to open our hearts to forgiveness? This is no easy task, made exponentially more difficult by the depth of the hurt, but it is one Jesus invites us to join Him in. And that forgiveness doesn't come from our own sheer willpower. That mercy can flow in us through an outpouring of grace from the Holy Spirit, but it requires us to open our hearts to accept it. Forgiveness is a gift to both ourselves and the other person, an easing of burden and an unleashing of chains. It doesn't mean we don't speak truth to those people, but it does mean that the truth is stripped of anger and soaked in forgiveness.

14th April 2024

Third Sunday of Easter



In the previous gospel reading the two disciples had met Jesus on their way to Emmaus. There Jesus had used the Eucharistic meal to reveal himself to them, for the Eucharist is always an occasion for us to get to know the Risen Christ better. Now he meets the whole group of disciples in their refuge, the Upper Room. The stress is on their meeting with a real person, not a disembodied ghost or phantom appearance. That is why he eats a piece of fish. The important lesson of this is that, in our resurrection to true life, it is the whole person that is raised, not just the soul. Our bodies will be so real that we will be able to eat. Christian teaching is that a person is an animated body. We work out our salvation with fingers and toes and other bodily members, and all will be raised to life. It is not just a matter of thoughts and intentions! The whole body is baptised into Christ and is the instrument of our salvation. The body will be changed, and St Paul tells us that it is stupid to ask what sort of body we will have in the resurrection, but I shall be raised as a whole person.*

Today's Gospel: St Luke 24:35-48

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Elements of the Mass: Liturgical colours – white

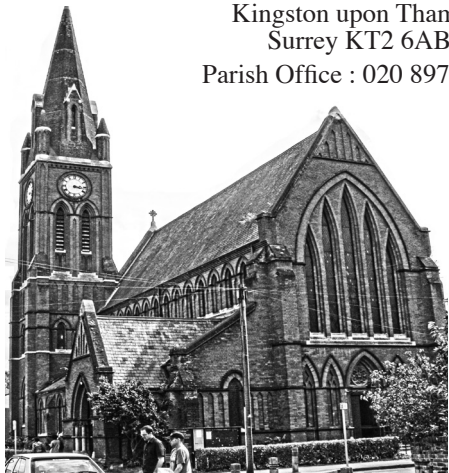
White is the colour of heaven. Liturgically, it is used to celebrate feasts of the Lord; Christmas and Easter, the great seasons of the Lord; and the saints. Not that you will always see white in church, because if something more splendid, such as gold, is available, that can and should be used instead. We are, after all, celebrating.

In the earliest centuries all vestments were white – the white of baptismal purity and of the robes worn by the armies of the redeemed in the Apocalypse, washed white in the blood of the Lamb. As the Church grew secure enough to be able to plan her liturgy, she began to use colour so that our sense of sight could deepen our experience of the mysteries of salvation, just as incense recruits our sense of smell and music that of hearing.

Over the centuries various schemes of colour for feasts and seasons were worked out, and it is only as late as the 19th century that they were harmonized into their present form.

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We welcome you to St Luke's Kingston, a traditional Forward in Faith parish under the jurisdiction of the Bishop of Fulham the Rt Rev'd Jonathan Baker. His website is: <http://www.bishopoffulham.org.uk>.

As a community we are dedicated to making the love of Christ known through excellence in worship and active care and concern for others.

St Luke's Church is kept open most days during the daylight hours for prayer and meditation.

SUNDAY SERVICES

8.00am Said Mass
10.30am Sung Mass
5.00pm Evensong

WEEKDAYS

9.00am Mass Tuesday/ Wednesday/ Thursday & Friday

THIS WEEK

MONDAY 15th April: Feria of 3rd Wk of Easter
Acts 6:8-15; Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30; John 6:22-29

TUESDAY 16th April: Feria of 3rd Wk of Easter
Acts 7:51-8:1; Ps 31:3,4, 6-8,17 & 21; John 6:30-35
9.00am Mass

WEDNESDAY 17th April: Feria of 3rd Wk of Easter
Acts 8:1-8; Ps 66:1-3-7; John 6:35-40
9.00am Mass

THURSDAY 18th April: Feria of 3rd Wk of Easter
Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20; John 6:44-51
9.00am Mass

FRIDAY 19th April: Feria of 3rd Wk of Easter
Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117:1, 2; John 6:52-59
9.00am Mass

SATURDAY 20th April: Feria of 3rd Wk of Easter
Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17; John 6:60-69

Join Zoom Meeting- Sunday 10.30am

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HEALING PRAYER

We pray for our troubled world. We ask for the power of the Holy Spirit to transform our lives and help others to come to know the love of Christ. We pray for those whose families are shattered by violence and for those who strive for reconciliation, peace and justice.

We pray that the Lord's healing love will comfort and strengthen all those in sickness of mind, body and soul; for Peter Bennett, Tom Hatton, Jason Ridley, Lucy, Judith C, and Anne Oram.

Especially we pray for:- Gillian, Patricia Davidge, Susan S, Editha Hinds, Carol, Patrick & Sue Codd, Sandy Tanner, Joan Wigham and Fr Hugh Mead.

THE RECENTLY DEPARTED

Heather Kent

ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH:

MONDAY: Louisa Fulluck, Percy Prince, Elsie Gunner

THURSDAY: Joyce Reed, Beatrice Wasley, Ernest Henry, Stephen Kokkonis, Audrey Gunton

FRIDAY: Samuel Masley, Yvonne Chan, Doris Lee

BRAg's May Merrie



Saturday 4th May, 2-6pm Vicarage Gardens, Burton Road

Join us for a local family afternoon, as we close the road and enjoy...

Bar - beer on tap, Pimms and Prosecco

Refreshments - home made cakes

PieLarks singing

Dancing

Tug'O'War, Splat the Rat, Hook a Duck, Giant Jenga and Connect 4

Open street Playground and Chalk

Chocolate tombola - tickets and prizes

Sewing Angels

Everyone welcome!

£2 entry to cover expenses.

Priest: Go in peace to love and serve the lord.
Alleluia, alleluia.

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia

FINAL HYMN

117 The day of Resurrection

The Day of Resurrection!
Earth, tell it out abroad;
The Passover of gladness,
The Passover of God!
From death to life eternal,
From earth unto the sky,
Our Christ hath brought us over
With hymns of victory.

Our hearts be pure from evil,
That we may see aright
The Lord in rays eternal
Of resurrection-light;
And, listening to his accents,
May hear so calm and plain
His own 'All hail,' and, hearing,
May raise the victor strain.

Now let the heavens be joyful,
And earth her song begin,
The round world keep high triumph,
And all that is therein;
Let all things seen and unseen
Their notes in gladness blend,
For Christ the Lord hath risen,
Our joy that hath no end..

We follow the old tradition of singing the Regina Caeli during Eastertide in place of the Angelus:

All: **Joy to thee, O Queen of Heaven. Alleluia!**
He whom thou wast meet to bear. Alleluia!
As he promised hath arisen. Alleluia!
Pour for us to God thy prayer. Alleluia!

v. Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary. Alleluia.
R. **For the Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

The priest sings the Collect, and the people respond: Amen

ORGAN MUSIC

Menuet Gothique - L Boellman

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

INTRODUCTORY RITES

ORGAN MUSIC

Priere a Notre Dame - L Boellman

ENTRANCE HYMN

105 Christ the Lord is risen again (tii)

Christ the Lord is risen again!
Christ hath broken every chain!
Hark, the angels shout for joy,
Singing evermore on high,
Alleluya!

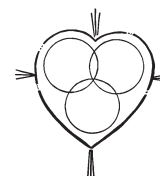
He who gave for us his life,
Who for us endured the strife,
Is our Paschal Lamb to-day!
We too sing for joy, and say
Alleluya!

He who bore all pain and loss
Comfortless upon the Cross,
Lives in glory now on high,
Pleads for us, and hears our cry.
Alleluya!

He whose path no records tell,
Who descended into hell;
Who the strong man armed hath bound,
And in highest heaven is crowned.
Alleluya!

Now he bids us tell abroad
How the lost may be restored,
How the penitent forgiven,
How we too may enter heaven.
Alleluya!

Thou, our Paschal Lamb indeed,
Christ, to-day thy people feed;
Take our sins and guilt away,
That we all may sing for ay,
Alleluya!



ANTIPHON *Psalm 65:1-2*

Celebrant: Cry out with joy to God, all the earth; O sing to the glory of his name. O render him glorious praise, alleluia.

GREETING

Celebrant: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: **Amen.**

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

All: **And with your spirit.**

PENITENTIAL ACT FOR EASTERTIDE

BLESSING & SPRINKLING WITH HOLY WATER

Priest: Dear friends,
this water will be used to remind us of our baptism.
Let us ask God to bless it,
and to keep us faithful to the Spirit he has given us.

Priest: God our Father,
your gift of water brings life and freshness to the earth;
it washes away our sins and brings us eternal life.
We ask you now to bless this water,
and to give us your protection on this day
which you have made your own.
Renew the living spring of your life within us
and protect us in spirit and body,
that we may be free from sin
and come into your presence
to receive your gift of salvation.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All: **Amen.**

NOTICES

WE WELCOME YOU to St Luke's this morning, especially if is your first time with us. Please make contact if you would like a visit from Fr Martin, or if you would like to come in for an appointment (contact details are on the inside back cover of this pew bulletin).

PEW BULLETINS: Please take your pew bulletin home, not just for the notices, but also to reflect on the readings, prayers and hymns. (If there are spares at the back of the church, why not take an extra one to give away?) .

THE HEALING MINISTRY: including the Sacraments of Holy Communion and the Anointing of the Sick, and/or the laying on of hands and prayer, is available at home or in hospital. Contact Fr Martin.

EMAIL LIST: If you would like to be added to our email list for regular service updates and community events please email parish@stlukeskingston.uk to say you wish to be added.

We welcome back and thank Fr Stephen Wilson for celebrating our 10.30am service while Fr Martin is on his post Easter break.

After blessing the water, the priest moves through the church sprinkling all of the people while the *Vidi Aquam* is sung:

Antiphon: I beheld water, which proceeded from the temple on the right side thereof. Alleluya. And all they to whom that water came, were healed, everyone, and they say: Alleluya Alleluya.

Priest: May almighty God cleanse us of our sins, and through the eucharist we celebrate make us worthy to sit at his table in his heavenly kingdom.

All: **Amen.**

GLORIA

All: **Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.**

Lord Jesus Christ, only begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world: receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

COLLECT

Priest: May your people exult for ever, O God, in renewed youthfulness of spirit, so that, rejoicing now in the restored glory of our adoption, we may look forward in confident hope to the rejoicing of the day of resurrection. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

All: **Amen**

The people SIT

LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST READING *Acts 3:13-15, 17-19 (ESV)*

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Peter said to the people: The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our fathers, glorified his servant Jesus, whom you delivered over and denied in the presence of Pilate, when he had decided to release him. But you denied the Holy and Righteous One, and asked for a murderer to be granted to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses.

“And his name - by faith in his name - has made this man strong whom you see and know, and the faith that is through Jesus has given the man this perfect health in the presence of you all.

“And now, brothers, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. But what God foretold by the mouth of all the prophets, that his Christ would suffer, he thus fulfilled. Repent therefore, and turn again, that your sins may be blotted out.”

The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God**



All: **For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever.**

Priest: Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles: Peace I leave you, my peace I give you: look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church, and graciously grant her peace and unity in accordance with your will. Who live and reign for ever and ever.

All: **Amen.**

Priest: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

All: **And with your spirit.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD *(Choir)*

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.

Priest: Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

All: **Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.**

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Christ had to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day. In his name penance for the remission of sins is to be preached to all nations. Alleluia

Holy Communion is now given.

COMMUNION ANTHEM

This Joyful Eastertide - *Arr W Harris 1883-1973*

The People STAND

COMMUNION HYMN

102 A brighter dawn is breaking

A brighter dawn is breaking, And earth with praise is waking; For thou, O King most highest, The power of death defiest;

And thou hast come victorious, With risen Body glorious, Who now for ever livest, And life abundant givest.

O free the world from blindness, And fill the world with kindness, Give sinners resurrection, Bring striving to perfection;

In sickness give us healing, In doubt thy clear revealing, That praise to thee be given In earth as in thy heaven.

CONCLUDING RITE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Priest: Look with kindness upon your people, O Lord, and grant, we pray, that those you were pleased to renew by eternal mysteries may attain in their flesh the incorruptible glory of the resurrection. Through Christ our Lord

All: **Amen**

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with your spirit.**



On the day before he was to suffer, on the night of the Last Supper, he took bread and said the blessing, broke the bread and gave it to his disciples saying:

TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND EAT OF IT,
FOR THIS IS MY BODY, WHICH
IS GIVEN UP FOR YOU.

In a similar way, when supper was ended, he took the chalice gave you thanks, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND DRINK FROM IT,
FOR THIS IS THE CHALICE OF MY BLOOD,
THE BLOOD OF THE NEW AND ETERNAL COVENANT,
WHICH IS Poured OUT FOR YOU AND FOR MANY
FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS.
DO THIS IN MEMORY OF ME.



The mystery of faith.

All: **We proclaim your death, O Lord,
and profess your resurrection,
until you come again.**

Priest: Therefore, holy Father, as we celebrate the memorial of Christ your son, our Saviour, whom you led through his Passion and Death on the Cross to the glory of the Resurrection, and whom you have seated at your right hand, we proclaim the work of your love until he comes again and we offer you the Bread of life and the Chalice of blessing. Look with favour on the oblation of your Church, in which we show the paschal Sacrifice of Christ that has been handed on to us, and grant that, by the power of the Spirit of your love, we may be counted now until the day of eternity among the members of your Son, in whose Body and Blood we have communion.

Lord renew your Church by the light of the Gospel. Strengthen the bond of unity between the faithful and the pastors of your people, together with Jonathan our Bishop, the whole Order of Bishops, that in a world torn by strife your people may shine forth as a prophetic sign of unity and concord.

Remember our brothers and sisters who have fallen asleep in the peace of your Christ, and all the dead, whose faith you have known. Admit them to rejoice in the light of your face, and in the resurrection give them the fullness of life.

Grant also to us, when our earthly pilgrimage is done, that we may come to an eternal dwelling place and live with you for ever; there, in communion with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God, with the Apostles and Martyrs, with Saint Luke and with all the Saints, we shall praise and exalt you through Jesus Christ, your Son.

Through him, and with him, and in him, O God, almighty Father, in the unity of the holy Spirit, all glory and honour is yours, for ever and ever.

All: **Amen.**

The People STAND

THE COMMUNION RITE

Priest: At the Saviour's command,
and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say

All: **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 trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation:
but deliver us from evil.**

Priest: Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil,
graciously grant peace in our days,
that by the help of your mercy
we may always be free from sin
and safe from all distress,
as we await the blessed hope
and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

THE RESPONSORIAL PSALM *Ps 4*

R. Lift up the light of your face on us, O Lord.

When I call, answer me, O God of justice;
from anguish you released me,
have mercy and hear me! **R.**

It is the Lord who grants favours to those whom he loves;
the Lord hears me whenever I call him. **R.**

"What can bring us happiness?" many say.
Lift up the light of your face on us, O Lord. **R.**

I will lie down in peace and sleep comes at once
for you alone, Lord, make me dwell in safety. **R.**

THE SECOND READING *1 John 2:1-5 (ESV)*

A reading from the first letter of St John.

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

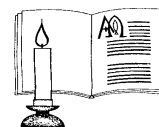
And by this we know that we have come to know him, if we keep his commandments.

Whoever says "I know him" but does not keep his commandments is a liar, and the truth is not in him, but whoever keeps his word, in him truly the love of God is perfected.

The Word of the Lord

All: **Thanks be to God**

The People STAND



GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

v. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

R. **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

v. Lord Jesus, explain the Scriptures to us.

Make our hearts burn within us as you talk to us

R. **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

THE GOSPEL *Luke 24:35-48 (ESV)*

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with your spirit.**

Priest: A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke.

People: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

The disciples told what had happened on the road, and how Jesus was known to them in the breaking of the bread.

As they were talking about these things, Jesus himself stood among them, and said to them, "Peace to you!"

But they were startled and frightened and thought they saw a spirit. And he said to them, "Why are you troubled, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? See my hands and my feet, that it is I myself. Touch me, and see. For a spirit does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have."

And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet.

And while they still disbelieved for joy and were marvelling, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate before them.

Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled."

Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, and said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.
All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

HOMILY *The people SIT*

NICENE CREED *The people STAND*

I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
begotten of the Father before all ages,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made,
consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:

All bow: and by the Holy Spirit
was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son
is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one holy catholic
and apostolic Church.
I confess one baptism
for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward
to the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

The people KNEEL or SIT

At the end of each bidding, silence is kept, followed by:
Lord, hear us.

People: Lord, graciously hear us.

At the end of the prayers:

People: Amen.



THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

*During the hymn the Offerings are presented at the altar
including a collection that will be taken*

The people STAND,

OFFERTORY HYMN

106 Come, ye faithful, raise the strain

Come, ye faithful, raise the strain
Of triumphant gladness;
God hath brought His Israel
Into joy from sadness;
Loosed from Pharaoh's bitter yoke
Jacob's sons and daughters;
Led them with unmoistened foot
Through the Red Sea waters.

'Tis the spring of souls to-day:
Christ hath burst His prison,

And from three days' sleep in death
As a sun hath risen;
All the winter of our sins,
Long and dark, is flying
From his light, to whom we give
Laud and praise undying.

Now the queen of seasons, bright
With the day of splendour,
With the royal feast of feasts,
Comes its joy to render;
Comes to glad Jerusalem,
Who with true affection
Welcomes in unwearied strains
Jesu's Resurrection.



Neither might the gates of death,
Nor the tomb's dark portal,
Nor the watchers, nor the seal,
Hold thee as a mortal;
But today amidst thine own
Thou didst stand, bestowing
That thy peace which evermore
Passeth human knowing.

INVITATION TO PRAYER

Priest: Pray, brothers and sisters,
that our sacrifice may be acceptable to God,
the almighty Father.

People: May the Lord accept the sacrifice
at your hands
for the praise and glory of his name,
for our good,
and the good of all his holy Church.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Priest: Receive, O Lord, we pray, these offerings of your
exultant Church, and, as you have given her cause for
such great gladness, grant also that the gifts we bring may
bear fruit in perpetual happiness. Through Christ our Lord.
All: Amen.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right and just.

Priest: It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, at
all times to acclaim you, O Lord, but at this time above all
to laud you yet more gloriously, when Christ our Passover
has been sacrificed. For he is the true Lamb who has taken
away the sins of the world; by dying he has destroyed our
death, and by rising, restored our life. Therefore, overcome
with paschal joy, every land, every people exults in your
praise and even the heavenly Powers, with the angelic
hosts, sing together the unending hymn of your glory, as
they acclaim:

Choir: Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

The people KNEEL or SIT

Priest: You are indeed holy, and to be glorified, O God,
who love the human race and who always walks with us
on the journey of life. Blessed indeed is your son, present
in our midst when we are gathered by his love, and when,
as once for the disciples, so now for us, he opens the
Scriptures and breaks the bread.

Therefore, Father most merciful, we ask that you send
forth your Holy Spirit to sanctify these gifts of bread and
wine, that they may become for us the Body and Blood of
our Lord Jesus Christ.