Prelude: Precious Lord, Take my Hand

Precious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, let me stand; I am tired, I’m weak, I am worn.
   Through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light;
      Take my hand precious Lord, lead me home.

When my way grows drear precious Lord linger near; When my light is almost gone.
   Hear my cry, hear my call, hold my hand lest I fall;
      Take my hand precious Lord, lead me home.

When the darkness appears and the night draws near, And the day is past and gone.
   At the river I stand, guide my feet, hold my hand;
      Take my hand precious Lord, lead me home.

Entrance Antiphon

Remember, O Lord, your covenant, and do not abandon for ever the souls of your poor;
   Arise, O Lord, and judge your own cause; forget not the cries of those who seek you.

Gloria

Glory to God in the highest.
   And on earth peace to men of good will.
We praise You. We bless You. We adore you. We glorify You.
   We give You thanks for Your great glory.
O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father almighty.
   O Lord Jesus Christ, the Only-begotten Son.
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father:
   you Who take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
You Who take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer.
   You Who sit at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.
For you alone are holy. You alone are the Lord.
   You alone, O Jesus Christ, are most high.
with the Holy Spirit in the glory of God the Father. Amen.
Reading 1: 1 Kings 19:9, 11-13

At the mountain of God, Horeb, Elijah came to a cave where he took shelter. Then the LORD said to him, “Go outside and stand on the mountain before the LORD; the LORD will be passing by.”

A strong and heavy wind was rending the mountains and crushing rocks before the LORD—but the LORD was not in the wind.

After the wind there was an earthquake—but the LORD was not in the earthquake. After the earthquake there was fire—but the LORD was not in the fire. After the fire there was a tiny whispering sound.

When he heard this, Elijah hid his face in his cloak and went and stood at the entrance of the cave.

Responsorial Psalm 85

Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.

I will hear what God proclaims; the LORD—for he proclaims peace.
Near indeed is his salvation to those who fear him, glory dwelling in our land.

Kindness and truth shall meet; justice and peace shall kiss.
Truth shall spring out of the earth, and justice shall look down from heaven.

The LORD himself will give his benefits; our land shall yield its increase.
Justice shall walk before him, and prepare the way of his steps.

Reading 2: Romans 9:1-5

Brothers and sisters: I speak the truth in Christ, I do not lie; my conscience joins with the Holy Spirit in bearing me witness that I have great sorrow and constant anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the flesh. They are Israelites; theirs the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; theirs the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, is the Christ, who is over all, God blessed forever. Amen.
After he had fed the people, Jesus made the disciples get into a boat and precede him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. After doing so, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When it was evening he was there alone. Meanwhile the boat, already a few miles offshore, was being tossed about by the waves, for the wind was against it.

During the fourth watch of the night, he came toward them walking on the sea. When the disciples saw him walking on the sea they were terrified. “It is a ghost,” they said, and they cried out in fear.

At once Jesus spoke to them, “Take courage, it is I; do not be afraid.” Peter said to him in reply, “Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.” He said, “Come.”

Peter got out of the boat and began to walk on the water toward Jesus. But when he saw how strong the wind was he became frightened; and, beginning to sink, he cried out, “Lord, save me!” Immediately Jesus stretched out his hand and caught Peter, and said to him, “O you of little faith, why did you doubt?” After they got into the boat, the wind died down. Those who were in the boat did him homage, saying, “Truly, you are the Son of God.”

Offertory Hymn: How Can I Keep From Singing

My life flows on in endless song, above earth’s lamentations.
I hear the clear, though far-off hymn, that hails a new creation.
No storm can shake my inmost calm, while to that rock I’m clinging.
Since love is Lord of heaven and earth, How can I keep from singing?

Through all the tumult and the strife, I hear that music ringing,
It finds an echo in my soul, how can I keep from singing?
No storm can shake...

What though my joys and comfort die? The Lord, my Savior liveth.
What though the darkness gather round? Songs in the night he giveth.
No storm can shake...
Communion Antiphon

The bread which I will give you is my flesh for the life of the world.

My Jesus,
I believe that you are truly present
in the Most Blessed Sacrament.
I love You above all things
and I desire to possess You within my soul.
Since I am unable at this moment
to receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as being already there,
and unite myself wholly to You.
Never permit me to be separated from You.
Amen.

Communion Anthem: In Heavenly Love Abiding

In heavenly love abiding, no change my heart shall fear;
And safe is such confiding, for nothing changes here:
The storm may roar without me, my heart may low be laid,
But God is round about me, and can I be dismayed?

Green pastures are before me, which yet I have not seen;
Bright skies will soon be o'er mem where darkest clouds have been.
My hope I cannot measure, the path to life is free.
My savior has my treasure, and he will walk with me. My savior will walk with me.

Recessional Hymn: Regina Caeli

Regina caeli, laetare, alleluia; Quia quem meruisti portare, alleluia,
Resurrexit, sicut dixit, alleluia: Ora pro nobis Deum, alleluia.

Communion Meditation: Guide Us, Lord

Guide us through these days, O Lord, help us to seek your way;
Trusting as you lead us with love, teach us again to pray.
Help us know you more clearly, help us love you more dearly;
Help us follow you more nearly day by day. Guide us, Lord, we pray.

Guide us through these days, O Lord, help us to seek your way;
Seeking wisdom from your word, strengthen our tender faith.
Help us know you more clearly...

When we stray and fall to sin, help us find your path again;
Draw us closer in your fellowship of love.
Help us know you more clearly...