

**Acts 2:22-24, 32-33**

<sup>22</sup> “Men of Israel, hear these words: Jesus of Nazareth, a Man attested by God to you by miracles, wonders, and signs which God did through Him in your midst, as you yourselves also know—<sup>23</sup> Him, being delivered by the determined purpose and foreknowledge of God, you have taken by lawless hands, have crucified, and put to death; <sup>24</sup> whom God raised up, having loosed the pains of death, because it was not possible that He should be held by it. <sup>32</sup> This Jesus God has raised up, of which we are all witnesses. <sup>33</sup> Therefore being exalted to the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, He poured out this which you now see and hear.

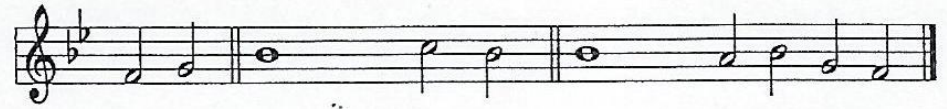
**1 Peter 1:3-9**

<sup>3</sup> Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His abundant mercy has begotten us again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, <sup>4</sup> to an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled and that does not fade away, reserved in heaven for you, <sup>5</sup> who are kept by the power of God through faith for salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. <sup>6</sup> In this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while, if need be, you have been grieved by various trials, <sup>7</sup> that the genuineness of your faith, being much more precious than gold that perishes, though it is tested by fire,

may be found to praise, honor, and glory at the revelation of Jesus Christ, <sup>8</sup> whom having not seen you love. Though now you do not see Him, yet believing, you rejoice with joy inexpressible and full of glory, <sup>9</sup> receiving the end of your faith—the salvation of your souls.

**St. Matthew 16:13-19**

<sup>13</sup> When Jesus came into the region of Caesarea Philippi, He asked His disciples, saying, “Who do men say that I, the Son of Man, am?” <sup>14</sup> So they said, “Some say John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.” <sup>15</sup> He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” <sup>16</sup> Simon Peter answered and said, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.” <sup>17</sup> Jesus answered and said to him, “Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah, for flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but My Father who is in heaven. <sup>18</sup> And I also say to you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it. <sup>19</sup> And I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.”

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THOSE WHO || are wise shall shine like the brightness of the | *firm-a-* | ment; \*

And those who turn many to righteousness like the stars forev- | er | and | ev- | er

|| Jesus said, “In the regeneration, when the Son of Man sits on the throne of His | glo- | ry, \*

You who have followed Me will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes | of | Is- | ra- | el.

*Psalm:* || I will bless the Lord at | all | times, \*

His praise shall continually | be | in | my | mouth.

|| My soul will make her boast in the | Lord, | - \*

The humble shall hear of | it | and | be | glad.

|| Oh, magnify the Lord | with | me, \*

And let us exalt His | name | to- | ge- | ther. (*Psalm 34:1-3*)

GLO-RY || be to the Father, and to the | Son: | - \*

and to | the | Ho- | ly | Ghost; -

AS IT || was in the beginning, is now, and ever | shall | be: \*

world with- | out | end. | A- | men. - (*Ant. Repeated.*)

**Collect.**

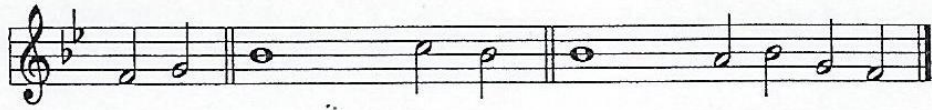
O Almighty God, Who hast built Thy Church upon the foundation of the Apostles and Prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the Head Cornerstone, grant us to be joined together in unity of spirit by their doctrine that we may be made a holy temple acceptable unto Thee; through the same Jesus Christ, Thy, Son, our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.

**Epistle. 1 Peter 1:3-9.****Gospel. Matthew 16:13-19****Additional Reading. Acts 2:22-24, 32-33****Gradual.**

|| Their sound went forth through all | the | earth:  
and their words to the | end | of | the | world.

|| The heavens declare the glory of | God | - :  
and the firmament showeth | His | hand- | i- | work.

|| Hallelujah. Hallelujah. I have chosen you out of | the | world:  
that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and your fruit  
should remain. | Hal- le- | lu- | jah.



### Offertory

|| You are | Pe- | ter, \*  
and on this rock I | will | build | My | church,  
|| and the gates of Hades shall not prevail a- | gainst | it. \*  
And I will give you the keys of the king- | dom | of | hea- | ven,  
(Mt 16:18-19a)

### Secret

We beseech Thee, O Lord, that through faith in Peter's confession of Christ we might receive pardon and offer you acceptable sacrificial prayers of thanksgiving; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Savior, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.  
**Amen.**

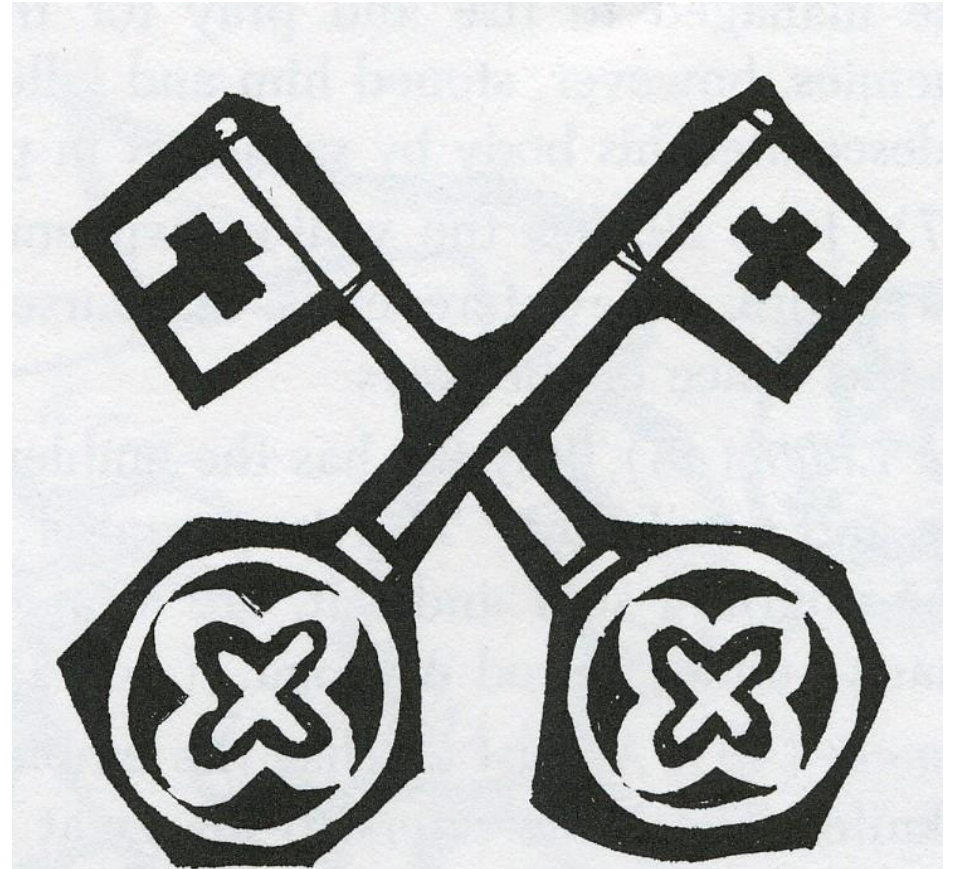
### Communion

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"You are the Christ, the Son of | the | liv- | ing | God."  
|| Jesus answered and said to him, "Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah, for  
flesh and blood has not revealed *this* | to | you, \*  
but My Father who | is | in | hea- | ven. (Matthew 16:16-17)

### Postcommunion

May your sacrament fill us with joy, O Lord, that we may receive the fullness of Thy pardon; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Savior, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.  
**Amen.**

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