

SACRED HEART, TAMPA
Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:30 PM CONTEMPORARY SERVICE
20 September 2026

INTRODUCTORY RITES

Opening Song: River of Life (Hulse/ Smith/ Powell)

Chorus 1: Brothers, sisters.
come on down to that river,
Guaranteed you'll never be the same!
There's a fountain flowing,
From the heart of the Savior.
Bring your sins and all
your guilty stains.
Let that river of life,
wash it all away!

V.1 If you've been searching,
Carrying burdens;
If you've been lost and
looking for a home.
If you've been drifting,
And something is missing,
You should know that
you are not alone!

Chorus 1: Brothers, sisters
come on down to that river,
Guaranteed you'll never be the same!
There's a fountain flowing,
From the heart of the Savior.
Bring your sins and all
your guilty stains.
Let that river of life,
wash it all away!

Interlude

(Oh) Come on down to the river!

(Oh)

Bridge:

Come as you are

No time to waste

Open your heart

Don't be afraid

Jump on in

The water is fine

There's healing in

The river of life

Chorus 2:

Brothers, sisters

come on down to that river

Guaranteed you'll never be the same

(repeat)

There's a fountain flowing
From the heart of the Savior
Bring your sins and all
your guilty stains
By the blood of Jesus
everything will change!
Let that river of life wash it all away!

Ending:

(Oh) Come on down to the river
(Oh) Come on down to the river
(Oh) Come on down to the river
(Oh) Let that river of life
wash it all away!

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Glory to God: Mass of a Joyful Heart

(Angrisano)

**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.

**Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth,
peace to people of good will!**

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.

**Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth,
peace to people of good will!**

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.

**Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth,
peace to people of good will!
A-A-AMEN!**

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading: Is 55:6-9

Seek the LORD while he may be
found, call him while he is near.
Let the scoundrel forsake his way,
and the wicked his thoughts; let him
turn to the LORD for mercy; to our
God, who is generous in forgiving.
For my thoughts are not your
thoughts, nor are your ways my ways,
says the LORD. As high as the
heavens are above the earth, so high

are my ways above your ways and my
thoughts above your thoughts.

The Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God!**

Responsorial Psalm – Psalm 145

Common Psalm for Ordinary Time
(Angrisano)

**I, will lift up Your name,
praise to my King and God
for You are holy.**

**I, will lift up Your name,
praise to my King and my God on high!**

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Second Reading: Phil 1:20c-24, 27a

Brothers and sisters: Christ will be magnified in my body, whether by life or by death. For to me life is Christ, and death is gain. If I go on living in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me. And I do not know which I shall choose. I am caught between the two. I long to depart this life and be with Christ, for that is far better. Yet that I remain in the flesh is more necessary for your benefit. Only, conduct yourselves in a way worthy of the gospel of Christ.

The Word of the Lord Thanks be to God!

Gospel Greeting: Everybody Sing Alleluia (Melendez)

**Everybody sing alleluia!
Everybody praise His name!
Everybody sing alleluia!
Praise His name today!**

Verse 1:

I was walking in the dark
And could not see the light.
Jesus came into my life,
And made everything alright!

**Everybody sing alleluia!
Everybody praise His name!
Everybody sing alleluia!
Praise His name today!**

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Gospel:

Mt 20:1-16a

Jesus told his disciples this parable:
"The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out at dawn to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with them for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. Going out about nine o'clock, the landowner saw others standing idle in the marketplace, and he said to them, 'You too go into my vineyard, and I will give you what is just.' So they went off. And he went out again around noon, and around three o'clock, and did likewise. Going out about five o'clock, the landowner found others standing around, and said to them, 'Why do you stand here

idle all day?' They answered, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You too go into my vineyard.' When it was evening the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, 'Summon the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and ending with the first.' When those who had started about five o'clock came, each received the usual daily wage. So when the first came, they thought that they would receive more, but each of them also got the usual wage. And on receiving it they grumbled against the landowner, saying, 'These last ones worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us, who bore the

day's burden and the heat.' He said to one of them in reply, 'My friend, I am not cheating you. Did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what is yours and go. What if I wish to give this last one the same as you? Or am I not free to do as I wish with my own money? Are you envious because I am generous?' Thus, the last will be first, and the first will be last."

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to You Lord Jesus Christ

Please remain standing to repeat the refrain of the Gospel Greeting!

Repeat Chorus:

Everybody sing alleluia!

Everybody praise His name!

Everybody sing alleluia!

Praise His name today!

Please be seated.

Homily

Nicene Creed

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,
born 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,
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

Universal Prayer

Response: “Loving God, hear our prayer.”

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Preparation of Gifts & Altar: Good, Good Father (Brown / Barrett)

V.1 I've heard a thousand stories
Of what they think You're like
But I've heard the tender whisper
Of love in the dead of night
You tell me that You're pleased
And that I'm never alone

Bridge:

You are perfect in all of Your ways,
You are perfect in all of Your ways,
You are perfect in all of Your ways to us!

Chorus:

You're a Good Good Father
It's who You are
It's who You are
It's who You are
And I'm loved by You
It's who I am, It's who I am, It's who I am

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Eucharistic Acclamations:

Mass of a Joyful Heart (Angrisano)

Holy, Holy – We Proclaim – Amen

COMMUNION RITE

Our Father

Lamb of God: **Mass of a Joyful Heart** (Angrisano)

Communion Song 1 – Who Am I? (Hall)

V.1 Who am I,

that the Lord of all the earth

Would care to know my name

Would care to feel my hurt

Who am I,

that the Bright and Morning Star

Would choose to light the way

For my ever wand'ring heart

Pre-Chorus:

Not because of who I am
But because of what You've done
Not because of what I've done
But because of who You are

Chorus:

I am, a flower quickly fading
Here today and gone tomorrow
A wave tossed in the ocean,
a vapor in the wind
Still You hear me when I'm calling
Lord You catch me when I'm falling
And You've told me who I am;
I am Yours!

V. 2 Who am I,
that the eyes that see my sin
Would look on me with love
And watch me rise again
Who am,
I that the voice that calmed the sea
Would call out through the rain
And calm the storm in me

Pre-Chorus:

Not because of who I am
But because of what You've done
Not because of what I've done
But because of who You are

Chorus:

I am, a flower quickly fading
Here today and gone tomorrow
A wave tossed in the ocean,
a vapor in the wind
Still You hear me when I'm calling
Lord You catch me when I'm falling
And You've told me who I am;
I am Yours!

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Communion Song 2: Open My Eyes (Manibusan)

V.1 Open my eyes Lord
Help me to see Your face
Open my eyes Lord
Help me to see

V.2 Open my ears Lord
Help me to hear Your voice
Open my ears Lord
Help me to hear

V.3 Open my heart Lord
Help me to love like You
Open my heart Lord
Help me to love

Bridge:

And the first shall be last
And our eyes are opened
And we'll hear like never before
And we'll speak in new ways
And we'll see God's face
In places we've never known

V.4 I live within you
Deep in your heart O love
I live within you
Rest now in Me

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CONCLUDING RITE

Sending Forth Song – Here is Our King
(Crowder)

V.1 From wherever spring arrives
To heal the ground
From wherever searching comes
The look itself
A trace of what we're looking for
So be quiet now and wait

Pre-Chorus:

The ocean, is growing.

The tide is coming in.

Here it is!

Chorus:

Here is our King; here is our Love

Here is our God who's come to

Bring us back to Him!

He is the One; He is Jesus!

And He is our King; He is our Love

He is our God who's come to

Bring us back to Him!

He is the One; He is Jesus! (He is) Jesus!

Ending:

Ma-jes-ty fin-a-lly

Ma-jes-ty fin-a-lly here!

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