



ST. JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP – LENT
9:30 AM SUNDAY

PRELUDE

(stand)

INVOCATION

Blessed be the holy Trinity, †one God, who journeys with us these forty days, and sustains us with the gift of grace.

AMEN

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Let us acknowledge before God and one another our need for repentance and God's mercy. *(kneel if able)*

(silence is kept for reflection)

Holy God,

WE CONFESS TO YOU OUR FAULTS AND FAILINGS. TOO OFTEN WE NEGLECT AND DO NOT TRUST YOUR HOLY WORD; WE TAKE FOR OURSELVES INSTEAD OF GIVING TO OTHERS; WE SPOIL RATHER THAN STEWARD YOUR CREATION; WE CAUSE HURT THOUGH YOU CALL US TO HEAL; WE CHOOSE FEAR OVER COMPASSION. FORGIVE US, RENEW US, AND LEAD US, AS WE SEEK TO FOLLOW IN YOUR WAY OF LIFE. AMEN

Hear the good news: God so loved the world that God gave the only Son, so that all may receive life. This promise is for you! God embraces you with divine mercy, † forgives you in Christ's name, and revives you in the Spirit's power.

AMEN

(stand)

OPENING HYMN

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

AND ALSO WITH YOU.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Celebrate

(sit)

FIRST READING

Celebrate

PSALM

Celebrate

SECOND READING

Celebrate

(stand)

GOSPEL

Celebrate

The Gospel of the Lord;

THANKS BE TO GOD

(sit)

SERMON

MUSICAL OFFERING

(stand)

APOSTLES' CREED

Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

I BELIEVE IN GOD, THE FATHER ALMIGHTY, CREATOR OF HEAVEN AND EARTH.

**I BELIEVE IN JESUS CHRIST, GOD'S ONLY SON, OUR LORD, WHO WAS
CONCEIVED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT, BORN OF THE VIRGIN MARY,**

**SUFFERED UNDER PONTIUS PILATE, WAS CRUCIFIED, DIED, AND WAS BURIED;
HE DESCENDED TO THE DEAD.**

ON THE THIRD DAY HE ROSE AGAIN; HE ASCENDED INTO HEAVEN,

**HE IS SEATED AT THE RIGHT HAND OF THE FATHER, AND HE WILL COME TO
JUDGE THE LIVING AND THE DEAD.**

I BELIEVE IN THE HOLY SPIRIT, THE HOLY CATHOLIC CHURCH,
THE COMMUNION OF SAINTS, THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS,
THE RESURRECTION OF THE BODY, AND THE LIFE EVERLASTING.

AMEN.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Celebrate

(sit)

CHOIR ANTHEM

(stand)

OFFERING

The Doxology

OFFERTORY PRAYER

God of good gifts,

RECEIVE THESE AND ALL OUR OFFERINGS AS WE PRESENT THEM IN FAITHFUL
SERVICE FOR THE SAKE OF YOUR GOSPEL. PREPARE OUR HEARTS TO RECEIVE
YOU IN THIS MEAL AS YOU POUR OUT YOUR VERY PRESENCE THROUGH CHRIST
JESUS, THE WELLSPRING OF ETERNAL LIFE.

AMEN.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

AND ALSO WITH YOU.

Lift up your hearts.

WE LIFT THEM TO THE LORD.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

IT IS RIGHT TO GIVE OUR THANKS AND PRAISE.

PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus
Christ.

You call your people to cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast, that, renewed in the gift of baptism, we may come to the fullness of your grace.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

AMEN. CHRIST HAS DIED! CHRIST HAS RISEN! CHRIST WILL COME AGAIN!

LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in Your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

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. FOR THINE IS THE KINGDOM, AND THE POWER, AND THE GLORY, FOREVER AND EVER.

AMEN.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come and receive Jesus, our strength in the wilderness.

THANKS BE TO GOD (*sit*)

All are welcome at the Lord's Table, trusting that Jesus Christ is truly present with us as he promised.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER (*stand*)

Embodied God,

AT YOUR TABLE, WE HAVE TASTED THE GOODNESS OF JESUS. WITH THE EYES OF OUR HEARTS OPEN TO YOUR PROMISE, EMPOWER US TO HEAR THE NEEDS OF OUR NEIGHBORS AND TOUCH THE WORLD WITH YOUR LOVE. AMEN.

BLESSING

God, the giver of love, † Christ, the resurrection and the life, and the Holy Spirit of rebirth bless you in this Lenten journey.

AMEN.

CLOSING HYMN

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve in love.

THANKS BE TO GOD.



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