

# The Order of Service

## The Greeting

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| <b>P</b> This is the day that the Lord has made. | <b>P</b> We are transformed in Christ       |
| <b>C</b> Let us rejoice and be glad in it.       | <b>C</b> to share the hope of eternal life. |

## Welcome and Sharing of the Peace

**Opening Hymn • 809: vs. 1 & 2.....“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”**

## The Invocation

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** Amen.

## Opening Sentences

*Lamentations 3:23-25*

- P** The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; His mercies never come to an end;  
**C** they are new every morning; great is Your faithfulness.
- P** “The Lord is my portion,” says my soul, “therefore, I will hope in Him.  
**C** The Lord is good to those who wait for Him, to the soul who seeks Him.”

## Confession and Absolution

*Ephesians 2:1-5, 19-20*

- P** Great is the Lord’s faithfulness, even though we have been unfaithful. If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.
- C** But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.
- P** We hear the voice of the Lord through His Word as we come before Him: “The LORD is good to those who wait for Him. . . . It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the LORD.” In our waiting, we have not been faithful.
- C** We confess we have not used our time in ways pleasing to You and have become apathetic as we wait for You. We have not loved You with our whole heart, and we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

**P** We hear the voice of the Lord through the apostle Paul as he commended the generous giving of the Macedonians: “But as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in all earnestness, and in our love for you—see that you excel in this act of grace also.” In our giving, we have not been faithful.

**C** **We confess we have not faithfully managed Your time, treasures, and talents entrusted to us. We have often been selfish instead of stewards and have failed to excel in the grace of giving to others, for the Gospel, and for the sake of Your kingdom.**

**P** We hear the voice of Jesus in today’s Gospel and watch the power of His Word as Christ commends the faith of a long-suffering woman healed and raises from the dead the daughter of Jairus.

**C** **We confess in our times of distress, we have doubted. In our times of sadness, we have separated ourselves from Your sustenance for our spirits. We have allowed other voices around us to direct us instead of the voice of Your Word, which brings us lasting comfort, peace, and hope.**

**P** Great is the Lord’s faithfulness, even though we have been unfaithful. We hear the voice of the Lord assuring and affirming us in our time of waiting and time of need. Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you, and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen.**

## **The Introit**

*Psalm 30:1-5; antiphon: v 4*

**P** I will extol You, O Lord, for You have drawn me up

**C** **and have not let my foes rejoice over me.**

**P** O Lord my God, I cried to You for help,

**C** **and You have healed me.**

**P** O Lord, You have brought up my soul from Sheol;

**C** **You restored me to life from among those who go down to the pit.**

**P** Sing praises to the Lord, O you His saints,

**C** **and give thanks to His holy name.**

**P** For His anger is but for a moment,

**C** **and His favor is for a lifetime.**

- P** Weeping may tarry for the night,  
**C** but joy comes with the morning.
- C** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.
- P** Sing praises to the Lord, O you His saints,  
**C** and give thanks to His holy name.

## The Kyrie

- P** O Lord, as the early church grew and more were called to serve,  
**C** have mercy upon us.
- P** O Christ, as Your word brings healing and peace,  
**C** have mercy upon us.
- P** O Lord, as You call us to live generously,  
**C** have mercy upon us.

## Hymn of Praise • 809: vs. 3 ..... "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

### The Salutation

*2 Timothy 4:22*

- P** The Lord be with you.  
**C** And also with you.

### The Prayer of the Day

- P** Let us pray.
- Lord of all faithfulness and grace, through Your Word, You speak to us still. Through the Word made flesh, You affirm our salvation through faith in Him alone.
- C** Enable us, amid the many voices around us, to hear the voice and the Word of the one who heals, raises the dead, and sustains our spirits as we wait upon salvation;
- P** through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

Now in these days when the disciples were increasing in number, a complaint by the Hellenists arose against the Hebrews because their widows were being neglected in the daily distribution. <sup>2</sup> And the twelve summoned the full number of the disciples and said, “It is not right that we should give up preaching the word of God to serve tables. <sup>3</sup> Therefore, brothers, pick out from among you seven men of good repute, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we will appoint to this duty. <sup>4</sup> But we will devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word.” <sup>5</sup> And what they said pleased the whole gathering, and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, and Philip and Prochorus and Nicanor and Timon and Parmenas and Nicolaus, a proselyte of Antioch. <sup>6</sup> These they set before the apostles, and they prayed and laid their hands on them.

<sup>7</sup> And the word of God continued to increase, and the number of the disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests became obedient to the faith.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**The Epistle****2 Corinthians 8:1-15**

*(Encouragement to give generously)*

We want you to know, brothers, about the grace of God that has been given among the churches of Macedonia, <sup>2</sup> for in a severe test of affliction, their abundance of joy and their extreme poverty have overflowed in a wealth of generosity on their part. <sup>3</sup> For they gave according to their means, as I can testify, and beyond their means, of their own accord, <sup>4</sup> begging us earnestly for the favor of taking part in the relief of the saints—<sup>5</sup> and this, not as we expected, but they gave themselves first to the Lord and then by the will of God to us. <sup>6</sup> Accordingly, we urged Titus that as he had started, so he should complete among you this act of grace. <sup>7</sup> But as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in all earnestness, and in our love for you—see that you excel in this act of grace also.

<sup>8</sup> I say this not as a command but to prove by the earnestness of others that your love also is genuine. <sup>9</sup> For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake, he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich. <sup>10</sup> And in this matter, I give my judgment: this benefits you, who a year ago started not only to do this work but also to desire to do it. <sup>11</sup> So now finish doing it as well, so that your readiness in desiring it may be matched by your completing it out of what you have. <sup>12</sup> For if the readiness is there, it is acceptable according to what a person has, not according to what he does not have. <sup>13</sup> For I do not mean that others should be eased and you burdened, but that

as a matter of fairness, <sup>14</sup> your abundance at the present time should supply their need, so that their abundance may supply your need, that there may be fairness. <sup>15</sup> As it is written, “Whoever gathered much had nothing left over, and whoever gathered little had no lack.”

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Verse

*Lamentations 3:25*

**P** Alleluia. The Lord is good to those who wait for Him,

**C** to the soul who seeks Him. Alleluia.

## The Holy Gospel

**Mark 5:21-43**

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the fifth chapter.

**C** Glory to You, O Lord.

*(Jesus heals a woman and Jairus's daughter.)*

<sup>21</sup> And when Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered about him, and he was beside the sea. <sup>22</sup> Then came one of the rulers of the synagogue, Jairus by name, and seeing him, he fell at his feet <sup>23</sup> and implored him earnestly, saying, “My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well and live.” <sup>24</sup> And he went with him.

And a great crowd followed him and thronged about him. <sup>25</sup> And there was a woman who had had a discharge of blood for twelve years <sup>26</sup> and who had suffered much under many physicians and had spent all that she had and was no better but rather grew worse. <sup>27</sup> She had heard the reports about Jesus and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his garment. <sup>28</sup> For she said, “If I touch even his garments, I will be made well.” <sup>29</sup> And immediately the flow of blood dried up, and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. <sup>30</sup> And Jesus, perceiving in himself that power had gone out from him, immediately turned about in the crowd and said, “Who touched my garments?” <sup>31</sup> And his disciples said to him, “You see the crowd pressing around you, and yet you say, ‘Who touched me?’” <sup>32</sup> And he looked around to see who had done it. <sup>33</sup> But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling and fell down before him and told him the whole truth. <sup>34</sup> And he said to her, “Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease.”

<sup>35</sup> While he was still speaking, there came from the ruler's house some who said, “Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the Teacher any further?” <sup>36</sup> But overhearing what they said,

Jesus said to the ruler of the synagogue, "Do not fear, only believe." <sup>37</sup> And he allowed no one to follow him except Peter and James and John the brother of James. <sup>38</sup> They came to the house of the ruler of the synagogue, and Jesus saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. <sup>39</sup> And when he had entered, he said to them, "Why are you making a commotion and weeping? The child is not dead but sleeping." <sup>40</sup> And they laughed at him. But he put them all outside and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him and went in where the child was. <sup>41</sup> Taking her by the hand, he said to her, "Talitha cumi," which means, "Little girl, I say to you, arise." <sup>42</sup> And immediately the girl got up and began walking (for she was twelve years of age), and they were immediately overcome with amazement. <sup>43</sup> And he strictly charged them that no one should know this and told them to give her something to eat.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

## **The Children's Message**

**Sermon Hymn • 846** ..... **"Your Hand, O Lord, in Days of Old"**

## **The Sermon**

## **The Apostles' Creed**

**C** I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.  
Amen.

## **The Offering**

**Offertory Hymn • 785** ..... **"We Praise You, O God"**

*Please stand on the last verse as the offering is brought forward.*

## The Prayer of the Church

**P** Let us pray for the people of God in Christ Jesus, for His church, and for all people according to their needs.

Ever-sustaining Lord, by the power of Your Word, You spoke creation into being and continue to provide for all our needs in this body and life. Continue to grant us favorable weather throughout this season, sustenance upon the land for those who work in farms and fields, and all things needful for our daily bread. As You sustain us and all things, let us give thanks to You for all the blessings we receive. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Ever-providing Lord, You place authorities over us to grant safety, order, and well-being. As we soon celebrate our nation's independence, we ask Your voice of care and compassion be heard by those governing authorities who lead. Grant that their words and voices reflect Your will that life be treasured, the weak be protected, the frail be cared for, and all people be treated with justice. In the freedoms with which we are blessed as citizens of this country, let us also as citizens of heaven give thanks to You for the freedom from sin won for us through Jesus Christ. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Ever-present Lord, as Jesus walked with the people during His earthly ministry, He healed the sick and raised the dead. As He walks with us through our earthly pilgrimages, grant healing to those who are hurting, [*especially* . . .], and hope to those who are dying or grieving [*especially* . . .], according to Your good and gracious will. Help us to not only hear but in faith to listen to His voice in time of need, that we may know the comfort, peace, and presence assured, and the everlasting promises to come. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Ever-forgiving Lord, as we gather at Your Table, help us in faith to hear and believe the Word spoken, "This is My body" and "This is My blood," as You are truly present in, with, and under the bread and wine and Your body and blood given and shed for the forgiveness of our sins. Grant that we as Your people, fed, nourished, and forgiven, depart in peace and be voices of Your Word to our neighbors, that they too may know Your love for them, the healing You bring, and the assured salvation upon which we wait. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

*Any additional petitions may be added.*

**P** Into Your hands we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C** Amen.

## Service of the Sacrament

### The Preface

**P** The Lord be with you.

*2 Timothy 4:2*

**C** And also with you.

**P** Lift up your hearts.

*Colossians 3:1*

**C** We lift them to the Lord.

**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*Psalms 136*

**C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

### The Proper Preface

**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who healed the sick, raised the dead, and brought life and immortality to light, who by His perfect life, sacrificial death, and glorious resurrection, opened to us and speaks to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

### The Sanctus *∞ Holy, Holy, Holy*

*Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9*



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,





bles - ed is He, bles - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## The Prayer of Thanksgiving

- P** Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and out of perfect love sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy, we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross. We thank You for all the work of Your hands and for all the words You have spoken and kept, as You come to us still now with Your healing grace through Christ's body and blood given and shed for us.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

## The Lord's Prayer

*Matthew 6:9-13*

- C** 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.

## The Words of Our Lord

*Matthew 26:26-28*

- P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My  $\text{✠}$  body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My  $\text{✠}$  blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

## The Pax Domini *↻* The Peace of the Lord

John 20:19

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C** Amen.

## The Agnus Dei *↻* The Lamb of God

John 1:29



**C** O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the



world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that



tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us.

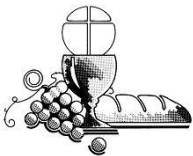


O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the



world, grant us Thy peace. A - - - men.

## The Distribution of Holy Communion



The Bible teaches that Jesus gives us His very body and blood along with bread and wine. We believe the Lord's Supper is a means of grace in that it provides forgiveness of sins and strengthening of our faith. The Bible also teaches us to examine ourselves prior to receiving the meal.

Participants are encouraged to ask these questions: Do I believe that I am a sinner and am truly sorry for my sins? Do I believe Jesus Christ is my Savior and that it is His true body and blood given to me along with the bread and wine? Do I intend with the help of God to repent of sin as I seek to follow Him?

If you have not been instructed in this teaching on Holy Communion, are in doubt, or hold to a different confession of faith, please come forward and cross your arms to indicate that you would like a blessing.

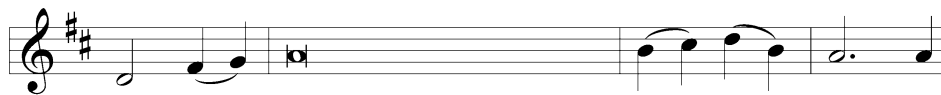
**Communion Hymn • 571 ..... “God Loved the World So That He Gave”**

**Communion Hymn • 425 ..... “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”**

**Communion Hymn • 461 ..... “I Know That My Redeemer Lives”**

**The Nunc Dimittis** ∞ *The Song of Simeon*

*Luke 2:29-32*



Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac-



cord-ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,



which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,



a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy



peo-ple Is - ra - el. 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 ev - er shall be, world without end. A - men.

## **The Post-Communion Collect**

**P** Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## **The Benediction**

*Numbers 6:24-26*

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

**C** Amen.

**Closing Hymn • 965** ..... **“God Bless Our Native Land”**

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**Serving Today**

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