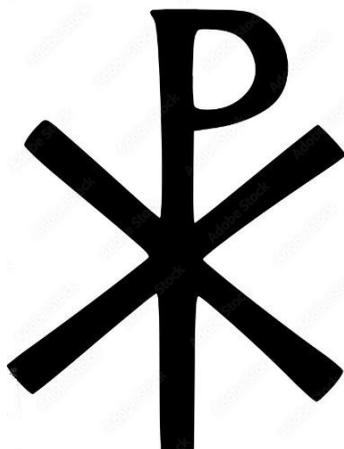


The Order of the Divine Service for the Season of Lent



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome! Emmanuel is an independent, liturgical, traditional, historical, evangelical, catholic, orthodox, confessional Lutheran congregation. We believe that the Bible is the very Word of God, inspired and without any errors. We confess the truth of Scripture according to the Lutheran Book of Concord of 1580, without exception or reservation. We observe the calendar of the traditional Church Year and follow the Historic Lectionary. We celebrate the Divine Service (also known as the Mass) every Sunday and on other festivals, and we welcome visitors to hear God's Word with us.



With regard to Holy Communion, we believe that the Scriptures teach us to practice *closed Communion*, which means that only communicant members of our congregation or of other congregations in communion with us are invited to commune at the Lord's Table here, after they have been examined and absolved. Classes are offered throughout the year by the pastor so that those who are interested in becoming communicant members have the opportunity to learn about the Christian faith and our confession of it.

The Order of Service is printed in this booklet. The Propers (the parts that change from week to week) are noted in the Service Insert. Unless otherwise noted, the hymns are found in the red hymnal (*The Lutheran Hymnal*).

The Season of Lent: The season of Lent originated in the earliest days of the Christian church as a forty-day fast from the Wednesday after Quinquagesima through Holy Saturday (not counting the intervening Sundays), commemorating Jesus' own forty-day fast in the wilderness as He faced and defeated the devil's temptations for us. The Scripture readings in Lent highlight Jesus' battles against the devil on our behalf, culminating in His suffering and death on the cross, showing Him to be a mighty Champion who shares His victory with all who trust in Him. Thus Christ and His saving work on our behalf is the focus of this season, and of every season.

At the same time, Lent is a time for Christians to reflect on the importance of living in daily repentance and faith. This includes self-examination, to ensure we are not in any way living in rebellion against God or contrary to His Word. It also includes a renewed determination to pray and to hear and meditate on God's Word. Finally, it is a most fitting time for Christians to do works of charity and mercy. In order to concentrate on these things, some Christians have found it helpful to practice fasting or other forms of bodily discipline. But the Lutheran Church recognizes that such things are not commanded by God, leaving Christians free to fast or not to fast, to eat meat or to abstain from it. In any case, Lent is not about giving something up for God. It is about standing in awe of all that Christ our Savior gave up for us that we might be saved.

The Order of the Divine Service

An Opening Hymn is sung.

Stand

P In the name of the Father and of the \dagger Son and of the Holy Spirit.



A - - - - men.

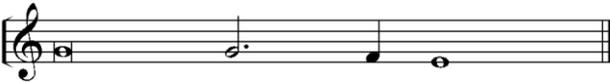
THE CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

For baptized and penitent Christians to make confession and receive absolution.

P Beloved in the Lord, having been baptized into the most holy name of the blessed Trinity, it is good and right that we should make confession of our sins before our merciful Father in heaven. Let us, therefore, draw near with a true heart, in sincere repentance and genuine faith, and confess our sins, seeking His mercy and forgiveness for the sake of His beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

V Our help is in the name of the Lord,

Ps. 24:8



R Who made heaven and earth.

V I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

Ps. 32:5



R And You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

C O Almighty God, merciful Father, I confess to You that I am by nature sinful and unclean, and that I have sinned against You in my thoughts, words, and deeds. For this I deserve nothing but Your wrath and punishment. But I am truly sorry for all my sins, and trusting only in Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

P God, our heavenly Father, gave His only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, to be the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the world, and has promised the forgiveness of sins to all who repent and believe in Jesus. Therefore, to all of you who are truly penitent and believing and intend to order your

life according to God's commandments, I declare, as a called and ordained minister of the Christian Church: Your sins are forgiven you, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.



P A - - - - men.

THE INTROIT

The Introit is sung as printed in the Service Insert. Then follows:

THE KYRIE



Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -



on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

SONG OF PRAISE FOR LENT



Christ, the Life of all the liv-ing, Christ, the Death of death, our foe,



Who, Thy-self for me once giv-ing To the dark-est depths of woe,



Through Thy suf-f'rings, death, and mer-it I e-ter-nal life in-her-it:



Thou-sand, thou-sand thanks shall be, Dear-est Je-sus, un-to Thee.

THE SALUTATION & THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.



P And with your spir - it.

P Let us pray.

The Pastor says the Collect, concluding, "...one God, forever and ever."



R A - - - - men.

Sit

THE EPISTLE

THE GRADUAL & TRACT

The Gradual and Tract are sung as printed in the Service Insert.

Stand

THE GOSPEL

P The Holy Gospel according to St. _____, chapter ____.



Glo-ry be to You, O Lord!

After the reading:

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Praise be to You, O Christ!

THE NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all ages, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one substance with the Father; through whom all things were made; who, for us men and for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried; and the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven; and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the

Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the Prophets. And I believe one holy Christian and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

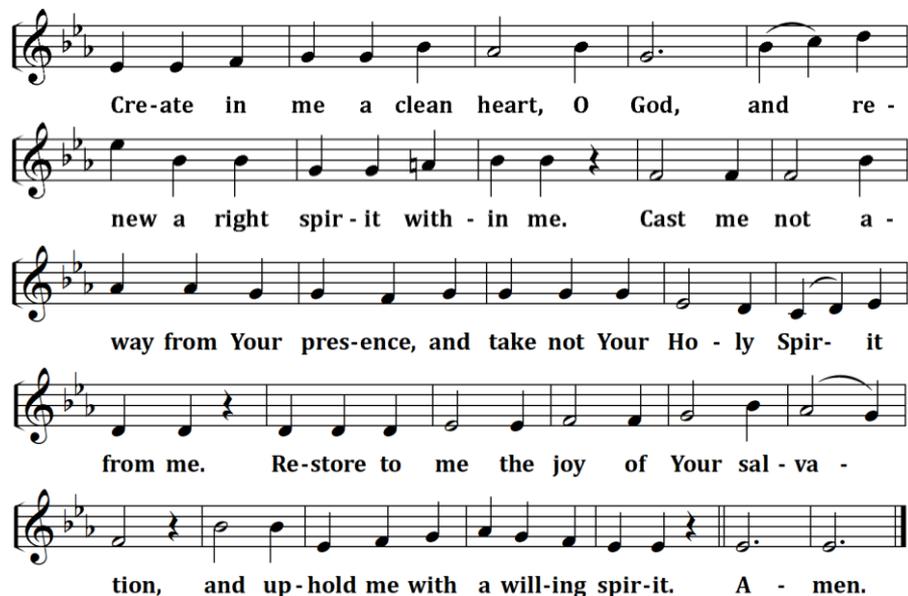
Sit. A Hymn is sung. The Pastor then preaches:

THE SERMON

Stand after the sermon to sing:

THE OFFERTORY

Ps. 51:10-12



Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
way from Your pres-ence, and take not Your Ho - ly Spir- it
from me. Re-store to me the joy of Your sal - va -
tion, and up - hold me with a will - ing spir - it. A - men.

THE GENERAL PRAYER

If a Hymn follows, the congregation sits. All then stand for:

THE PREFACE

P The Lord be with you.



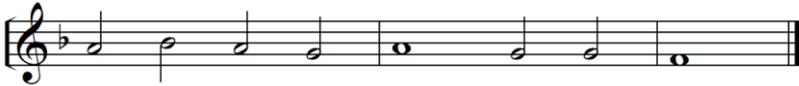
R And with your spir - it.

P Lift up your hearts.



R We lift them up un - to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.



R It is good and right so to do.

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who, as a mighty Champion, did battle against the devil for us, that we who were once enslaved to sin and death might, through the victory of Christ our Savior, be delivered from every evil.

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

Is. 6:3; Mt. 21:9



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of heav-en-ly hosts;



heav'n and earth are full of Your 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 who comes in the name of the Lord.



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

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Mt. 6:9-13

P 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.

C For Thine is the king-dom, and the pow'r, and the
 glo - ry for - ev - er and ev - er. A - - men.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Mt. 26, Mk. 14, Lk. 22, 1 Cor. 11

The Pastor shall consecrate the elements for Holy Communion, proclaiming the Words of our Lord Jesus Christ by which He instituted the Sacrament of the Altar.

THE PAX DOMINI

P The peace of the Lord be with you always!

R A - - - - men.

THE AGNUS DEI

O Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes a - way the sin of the
 world, have mer-cy up-on us. O Christ, the Lamb of God, who
 takes a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up-on us.
 O Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes a - way the sin of the
 world, grant us Your peace. A - - - - - men.

Sit

THE DISTRIBUTION

Please note our Closed Communion practice, explained on the first page of this booklet. Communicant members of our congregation are invited to come forward to receive the Lord's Supper. During the distribution, the congregation may sing the Distribution Hymn(s), as time permits.

Stand to sing:

THE NUNC DIMITTIS

Lk. 2:29-32



Lord, now You let Your servant de - part in peace ac -
cord - ing to Your word, for my eyes have seen Your salvation,
which You have pre - pared be - fore the face of all peoples,
a Light for en - light - en - ing the Gen - tles and for glo - ry to Your
peo - ple Is - - - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and
to the Son and to the Ho - ly Spirit; as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ev - er shall be, for - ev - er - more. A - men.

THE THANKSGIVING

P Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for He is good!



R For His mercy en - dures for - ev - - - er.

The pastor says the Prayer, concluding, "...one God, forever and ever."



R A - - - - men.

THE SALUTATION & THE BENEDICAMUS

P The Lord be with you.



R And with your spir - it.

P Let us bless the Lord.



R Thanks be to God.

THE BENEDICTION

Num. 6:24-26

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

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

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



R A - men, A - men, A - men.

Sit

A Closing Hymn may be sung.



Let Me Now with Gladness Say It

Lasset mich voll Freuden sprechen

Erdmann Neumeister, d. 1756

Tr: Paul A. Rydecki, 2020

Baptized Christian

1 Let me now with glad-ness say it: I'm a bap-tized Chris-tian!
2 Now no sin shall make me fear-ful. I'm a bap-tized Chris-tian!
3 Sa - tan, hear, I now de - cry you! I'm a bap-tized Chris-tian!

And though sight may not con-vey it, I'm one of God's chil - dren.
Now my heart is ev - er cheer-ful, Safe in this con - vic - tion:
With this truth I can de - fy you, Greet you with de - ri - sion.

How could all earth's rich - es cheer me When I have this trea - sure near me
I, from guilt and shame un - end - ing, By Bap - ti - sm's ho - ly cleans - ing
Now that I've come to Bap - ti - sm, Vain is all your cri - ti - ci - sm.

Which from death de - liv - ers me, And saves me e - ter - nal - ly?
Have been par - doned and set free, For Christ's blood has sprink - led me.
God's own co - ve - nant makes me Free from your dread ty - ran - ny.

4 When I'm dying I'll declare it:
I'm a baptized Christian!
For I know I'll soon inherit
All the joys of heaven.
Though my flesh in dust is waiting,
I'm in faith anticipating
That Baptism's pow'r divine,
Shall restore this flesh of mine.

5 Such a blessing must provide me
Comfort while I'm living.
And when death is right beside me,
Hope to me it's giving.
Though my heart and eyes are waning,
Still my soul shall be proclaiming:
I'm baptized! With Christ I'm dressed!
I am now forever blessed!

My Song Is Love Unknown

Text: Samuel Crossman, 1624-83

LOVE UNKNOWN

Tune: John Ireland, 1879-1962



1 My song is love un-known, my Sav-ior's love to
2 He came from His blest throne sal-va-tion to be-
3 Some-times they strew His way and His sweet prais-es
4 Why? What hath my Lord done? What makes this rage and
5 They rise and needs will have My dear Lord made a-



me, Love to the love-less shown that they might
stow; But men made strange, and none the longed-for
sing; Re-sound-ing all the day Ho-san-nas
spite? He made the lame to run, He gave the
way; A mur-der-er they save, the Prince of



love-ly be. Oh, who am I that for my
Christ would know. But, oh, my Friend, my Friend in-
to their King. Then "Cru-ci-fy!" is all their
blind their sight. Sweet in-ju-ries! Yet they at
Life they slay. Yet cheer-ful He to suf-f'ring



sake My Lord should take frail flesh and die?
deed, Who at my need His life did spend!
breath, And for His death they thirst and cry.
these Them-selves dis-please and 'gainst Him rise.
goes That He His foes from thence might free.

6 In life no house, no home
My Lord on earth might have;
In death no friendly tomb
But what a stranger gave.

What may I say? Heav'n was His home
But mine the tomb wherein He lay.

7 Here might I stay and sing,
No story so divine!
Never was love, dear King,
Never was grief like Thine.

This is my Friend, in whose sweet praise
I all my days could gladly spend!