

The Thanksgiving Collect

P: We thank You Almighty God, that You have satisfied us by giving us the Body and the Blood. And we ask Your mercy to strengthen our faith towards You and in fervent love for one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen

The Benedicamus

P: Let us bless the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

The Aaronic Blessing

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 His favor, and grant You His peace.

C: Amen

HYMN, "Jesus, Refuge of the Weary".....423

Notes: This service is an English Adaptation from the *Brandenburg-Nuremberg Kirchenordnungen*, 1533, by Johann Brenz and Andreas Osiander. Both Brenz and Osiander were key figures in the Lutheran Reformation during the 16th century. The bulk of this service was translated from the German by Dr. Eric C. Stumpf. The Lord's Prayer Litany is an adaptation of one written by Dr. Luther for his *Deutsche Missae* of 1526.

Those Assisting Us Tonight

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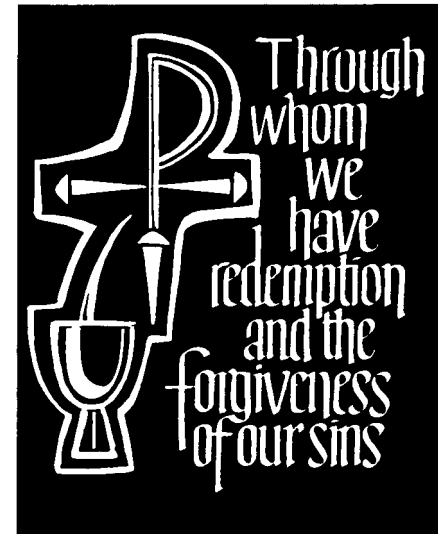
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The Order of Holy Communion

(from the *Brandenburg-Nuremberg Kirchenordnungen*, 1533)

The Office of Confession and Absolution

P: In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen**

P: Our Help is in the Name of the Lord.

C: **The Maker of heaven and earth.**

P: I said, I will confess my transgressions to the Lord.

C: **And You forgave the guilt of my sin.**

C: **I, a poor sinner, confess to my Heavenly Father, that I am completely sorry for my manifold sins, both large and small, without reservation. I confess and recognize my unbelief, doubtings, faint heartedness, impatience, pride, malicious greediness, private and secret hatreds which have displeased my God; I confess and recognize my imperfection. Therefore, I repent and dearly beg for forgiveness from God.**

P: The Almighty and Merciful God forgives your sin, and I, by the command of our Lord Jesus Christ, in the name of the Holy Church, declare you free from all your sins in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. Go and sin no more, but improve continually. To this may God help you. Amen.

Responsive hymn arrangement of Psalm 51

Cantor: Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love;*
according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions.
Wash away all my iniquity*
and cleanse me from my sin.

Choir: For I know my transgressions,*
and my sin is always before me.
Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight,*
so that you are proved right when you speak and justified when you judge.

Cantor: Surely I have been a sinner from birth,*
sinful from the time my mother conceived me.
Surely you desire truth in the inner parts;*
you teach me wisdom in the inmost place.

The Pax Domini

P: The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: **And also with you.**

The Distribution

Music during Distribution:

HYMN, “Lamb of God, Pure and Holy”434

HYMN, “An Awe-Filled Mystery is Here”TLH 304

An awe-filled mystery is here
To challenge faith and waken fear:
The Savior comes as food divine,
Concealed in earthly bread and wine.

This world is love-less but above,
What wondrous boundlessness of love!
The King of Glory stoops to me
My spirit's life and strength to be.

In consecrated wine and bread
No eye perceives the mys-t'ry dread;
But Jesus' words are strong and clear:
“My body and My blood are here.”

How dull are all the pow'rs of sense
Employed on proof of love immense!
In lowliness, the richest food,
In lowliness comes, for our good.

No benefit we have on earth,
For faith alone discerns its worth.
The Word, not sense, must be our guide,
And faith assure since sight's denied.

Lord, show us still that You are good,
And give us evermore this food.
Give faith to every wavering soul
And make each wounded spirit whole.

(Text: Matthias Loy, *Evangelical Lutheran Hymnal*, 1880, adapted from TLH 304, Rev. Jeffrey McPike, Norfolk, Nebraska, 1992; tune: *St. Crispin*, TLH 304).

Luther's Paraphrase of the Lord's Prayer

L: Friends in Christ: Since we are here assembled in the name of the Lord, I admonish you to lift up your hearts to God to pray with me the Lord's Prayer, as Christ our Lord has taught us and graciously promised to hear us.

C: Our Father, Who art in heaven; Hallowed be Thy name.

L: That God, our Father in heaven, may look with mercy on us, His needy children on earth, and grant us grace so that His holy name be hallowed by us and all the world through the pure and true teaching of His Word and the fervent love of our lives; that He would graciously turn from us all false doctrine and evil living whereby His precious name is being blasphemed and profaned.

C: Thy Kingdom come

L: That His kingdom may come to us and expand; that all transgressors and they who are blinded and bound in the devil's kingdom be brought to know Jesus Christ His Son by faith, and that the number of Christians may be increased.

C: Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven

L: That we may be strengthened by His Spirit to do and to suffer His will, both in life and in death, in good and in evil things, and always to break, slay, and sacrifice our own wills.

C: Give us this day our daily bread

L: That he would also give us our daily bread, preserve us from greed and selfish cares, and help us to trust that he will provide for all our needs.

C: and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

L: That He would forgive our debts as we forgive our debtors so that our hearts may rest and rejoice in a good conscience before Him, and that no sin may ever frighten or alarm us.

C: and lead us not into temptation

L: That He would not lead us into temptation but help us by His Spirit to subdue the flesh, to despise the world and its ways, and to overcome the devil with all his wiles.

C: but deliver us from evil

L: And lastly, that He would deliver us from all evil, both of body and soul, now and forever.

C: For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever.

L: All those who earnestly desire these things will say from their very hearts: Amen, trusting without any doubt that it is Yea and answered in heaven as Christ has promised: Whatever you ask in prayer, believe that you shall receive it, and you will [Mark 11:24].

C: Amen

Congregation: O, Lord Who hears when sinners cry
Tho' all my crimes before You lie,
Ponder them not with angry look,
But blot their mem'ry from Your book.

Cantor: Cleanse me with hyssop, and I will be clean;*
wash me, and I will be whiter than snow.
Let me hear joy and gladness;*
let the bones you have crushed rejoice.

Choir: Hide your face from my sins*
and blot out all my iniquity.
Create in me a pure heart, O God,*
and renew a steadfast spirit within me.

Congregation: Create my nature pure within
And make my soul opposed to sin
Let Your good Spirit ne'er depart
Nor hide Your presence from my heart.

Cantor: Do not cast me from your presence*
or take your Holy Spirit from me.
Restore to me the joy of your salvation*
and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me.

Congregation: I cannot live without Your light,
Cast out and banished from Your sight;
Your holy joys, my God, restore
And guard me that I fall no more.

Choir: Then I will teach transgressors your ways,*
and sinners will turn back to You.
Save me from bloodguilt, O God, the God who saves me,*
and my tongue will sing of your righteousness.

Congregation: Tho' I have grieved Your Spirit, Lord,
His help and comfort still afford
And let me now come near Your throne
To plead the merits of Your Son.

Cantor: You do not delight in sacrifice, or I would bring it;*
You do not take pleasure in burnt offerings.
The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit;*
a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

Congregation: A broken heart, my God, my King,
Is all the sacrifice I bring.
Look down, O Lord, with merciful eye
And save the soul condemned to die.

Choir: In your good pleasure make Zion prosper;*
build up the walls of Jerusalem.
Then there will be righteous sacrifices, whole burnt offerings
to delight you;*
then bulls will be offered on your altar.

Congregation: Oh, my Your love inspire my tongue!
Salvation shall be all my song;
And all my powers shall join to bless
The Lord, my Strength, my Righteousness.

Hymn: "O You, Who hears when sinners cry", text: Isaac Watts, 1719, cento.
alt., updated and arranged by Pastor McPike. Tune: *Hamburg*, based on *First
Gregorian Chant*, arr. by Lowell Mason, 1824, TLH 325. Psalm 51 text
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McPike, 1997.

The Kyrie Eleison

ALL: O God, the Father in heaven, have mercy on us.
O God the Son, redeemer of the world, have mercy on us.
O God the Holy Spirit, have mercy on us, and grant us Your peace.

The Gloria in Excelsis is omitted during the solemn season of Lent

The Salutation and Collect

P: The Lord be with you.

C: and also with you.

P: Let us pray... Almighty and everlasting God, because You hate nothing
You have made and forgive the sins of all who are penitent, create in us new
and contrite hearts that we, worthily repenting our sins and acknowledging
our wretchedness, may obtain from You, the God of all mercy, perfect
remission and forgiveness; 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 Word of God

The Old Testament Reading: Joel 2:12-19

The Epistle Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10

The Verse

**All: Return to the Lord, your God. For He is gracious and merciful, slow to
anger and abounding in steadfast love.**

The Holy Gospel: Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21

The Creed (see back cover of hymnal for Nicene Creed)

Catechism "The Lord's Prayer, Introduction" p. 323

HYMN OF THE DAY, "Our Father, Who From Heaven Above"766 v.1

The Sermon

The Offering

The Admonition

The Words of Institution

The Sanctus (*music, p. 195*)

**C: Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth;
heaven and earth are full of Thy glory.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He, blessed is He,
blessed is He that commeth in the Name of the Lord.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**