

Welcome! We invite you to join as an active participant in the worship of God. This leaflet contains the congregational portions of the liturgy. Please bear with us as we worship online together as a community. Please follow along with the service at home, saying the parts you would normally say.

The Liturgy of the Word

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Opening Hymn

O Day of Radiant Gladness

Hymnal 48

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Celebrant: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Celebrant: Lord have mercy.

People: Christ have mercy.

Celebrant: Lord have mercy.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people who call upon you, and grant that they may know and understand what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

First Reading

Isaiah 55:10-13

Reader: A reading from the Book of Isaiah.

As the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return there until they have watered the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and succeed in the thing for which I sent it. For you shall go out in joy, and be led back in peace; the mountains and the hills before you shall burst into song, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands. Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress; instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle; and it shall be to the LORD for a memorial, for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 65: 1-14

- 1 You are to be praised, O God, in Zion; * to you shall vows be performed in Jerusalem.
- 2 To you that hear prayer shall all flesh come, * because of their transgressions.

- 3 Our sins are stronger than we are, * but you will blot them out.
- 4 Happy are they whom you choose and draw to your courts to dwell there! * they will be satisfied by the beauty of your house, by the holiness of your temple.
- 5 Awesome things will you show us in your righteousness, O God of our salvation, * O Hope of all the ends of the earth and of the seas that are far away.
- 6 You make fast the mountains by your power; * they are girded about with might.
- 7 You still the roaring of the seas, * the roaring of their waves, and the clamor of the peoples.
- 8 Those who dwell at the ends of the earth will tremble at your marvelous signs; * you make the dawn and the dusk to sing for joy.]
- 9 You visit the earth and water it abundantly; you make it very plenteous; * the river of God is full of water.
- 10 You prepare the grain, * for so you provide for the earth.
- 11 You drench the furrows and smooth out the ridges; * with heavy rain you soften the ground and bless its increase.
- 12 You crown the year with your goodness, * and your paths overflow with plenty.
- 13 May the fields of the wilderness be rich for grazing, * and the hills be clothed with joy.
- 14 May the meadows cover themselves with flocks, and the valleys cloak themselves with grain; * let them shout for joy and sing.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 13:1-9,18-23

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to

Matthew.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: "Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Let anyone with ears listen!"

"Hear then the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty."

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Nicene Creed

All: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again 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. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

Lector: Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs, saying: Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Scott our Bishop, and for all bishops, priests, and deacons. *Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.*

For the nations of the world that they will seek peace through reconciliation. Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

For migrants fleeing violence, and for those affected by terrorist attacks throughout the world. For prisoners, captives, and their families; the hungry, homeless, and oppressed. Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

For all victims of natural disasters. Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

For the sick and the suffering: For those suffering from deadly diseases, and for those who care for them. For all those who are included in our prayer list in the bulletin – and for their caregivers. *Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.*

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.
We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom, remembering especially Lord in your mercy,
hear our prayer

For all who brayely serve in our nation's military, remembering especially

For all of the intentions we hold in our hearts and which we now recall aloud or silently. For all of these intentions: *Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.*

Joining our voices with the Blessed Virgin Mary, St. Mark, St. John, and all the saints and angels of God, let us offer ourselves and one another to the living God through Christ. *To you, O Lord.*

The Collect at the Prayers

The Confession of Sins

Deacon: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All: Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus

Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

Hymn Come, Gracious Spirit, Heavenly Dove **Hymn 512**

The Lord's Prayer

Officiant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Officiant: Let us pray.

All: 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, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Blessing & Dismissal

The Birthday and Anniversary Blessing

Celebrant and People: God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Please remember the following in your prayers this week:

Those in the Military – Trevor, Jeremy, Crystal, Michael, Christopher
Those Needing Prayer – Margaret (Peg) Harders, Lydia Grace Folcik, Brent
Jensen, Travis O'Connell, Sheila Villa, Fred Durham, Nancy Bachman, Doug
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