

# ***Sundays after Pentecost***

## **INTRODUCTION TO TODAY'S WORSHIP**

We gather together to worship mindful of our neighbors. Please observe social distancing as directed. We realize that wearing a mask can be uncomfortable but ask that in deference to your neighbor you leave your mask on during this service; especially when you are near another person. Remember that Aerosol droplets can be projected several feet, our masks help us to keep our “droplets” to ourselves. If you have any questions, please ask one of the ushers for assistance.

The Leader's read the portion in light text. **All congregation responses in bold are spoken silently in our hearts and minds.** The songs and hymns should only be sung by a soloist or instrumental.

## **† GATHERING †**

*As we are gathered into the Presence of God,  
we quiet our hearts and minds listening for God's voice, assurance, and direction.*

### **Welcome**

### **Confession and Forgiveness**

Before God and in the company of our sisters and brothers, let us confess our sin.

*silently in our hearts and minds as the leader says:*

**Gracious God, I confess that I have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. I am truly sorry and humbly repent. Have mercy on me, forgive me. Fill me with your Spirit so that I may serve you with an open and humble heart, in the name of Jesus, my Savior and Lord.**

I forgive you of all your sins in the name of the Father, and the † Son, and the Holy Spirit.  
Amen.

### **Greeting**

The grace and peace of Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh, be with you all.

### **Prayer of the Day**

Let us pray. (A brief silence is kept before the prayer.)

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## † THE WORD †

*God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song*

### **Scripture**

A reading from the Gospel of

The Word of the Lord

### **Sermon**

*Silence for reflection follows the sermon*

### **Apostles' Creed**

We confess our faith together in the words of the Apostles' Creed  
*spoken silently to ourselves in our hearts and minds as the leader says:*

**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**

## † THE MEAL †

*God welcomes and feeds all people with the presence of Jesus Christ.*

### **The Great Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you.

*(silently in our hearts and minds)* **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts

*(silently in our hearts and minds)* **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*(silently in our hearts and minds)* **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

### **Preface**

It is our duty and our joy that we should give thanks and praise to you, merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ, fulfilling the promise of the resurrection, you opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so with all the choirs of angels, the church on earth and the hosts in heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

### **The Sanctus**

*silently in our hearts and minds as the leader says:*

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory,  
Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord  
Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest**

### **Eucharistic Prayer**

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.

### **The Lord's Prayer**

We join in prayer as our Lord taught us...

*silently in our hearts and minds as the leader says:*

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the pow'r, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

### **Invitation to Communion**

Come to Christ's table where we are welcomed, known, and loved.

### **The Lord's Table**

We have been invited to the Lords' Table to witness and receive God's amazing grace and love.

This table belongs to Christ, who welcomes all people. Whether your faith is strong or wavering, whether you come to church often or have never been before, you are welcome here. God continues to call us into relationship and that same Savior welcomes you to this sacred meal.

In this time of pandemic we remind ourselves that the sacrament may be received by partaking in the bread alone. Additionally, if you would like a blessing please cross your arms over your heart to let the servers know. If you are **unable to come forward for communion**, please let an usher or neighbor know that you would like communion brought to you in your pew.

**Commented [TTA2]:** Please put in your instructions for receiving communion as safely as possible.

### **Blessing after Communion**

May God, whose steadfast love has nourished us at this table, fill us with the Spirit so that our lives may reveal the glory of the crucified and risen Lord in all we do and say.  
Amen.

### **Prayer after Communion**

Let us pray. Loving God, we give you thanks for inviting us to your holy table. Through your gifts of bread, wine, and Spirit, we are born anew. Lord, as your body was broken for us, break our hearts for the world, so that filled with your love and peace, we may follow you.  
Amen.

## **† SENDING †**

*Filled with Christ, we are blessed and sent out into the world to serve.*

### **Announcements**

*Brief announcements may be made, especially those related to the assembly's participation in God's mission in the world.*

### **Benediction**

The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you † peace.  
Amen.

### **Peace**

May you continue in God's peace as you carry it within you and out into the world.