WORSHIP SERVICE VARIATIONS

by Pastor David J. Valleskey

# Notes on the Worship Service Variations:

- We use the same order of service for whole seasons of the Church Year, except for Trinity and the last part of the Easter Season which has more of an Ascension emphasis
- 2. On Communion Sundays we follow the Order of Holy Communion, p. 15
- 3. We sing the responses to the Scripture lessons as well as the opening responses without an introduction just as we normally do with page 5 ff liturgy
- 4. We print out the Scripture readings and the Apostles' Creed as they come in the service. That way people, as they follow along with the Scripture reading, are ready immediately to sing the response, which the pastor signals by saying, "Here ends the O.T. (Epistle, Gospel) lesson." If the Scripture reading isn't printed out, the organist could play through the last line of the response as an introduction.
- 5. We practice the few unfamiliar melodies in S.S. the weeks before the new season begins (In our S.S. the adults and teens join with the children in 10-15 minutes of opening worship which is mostly singing of non-Lutheran Hymnal psalms, and hymns, and spiritual songs)

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# ADVENT ORDER OF SERVICE

## OPENING HYMN

THE INVOCATION

Congregation: (sung) Amen.

OPENING RESPONSES

Pastor: People of God, let us worship the Lord:
Congregation: Let us praise Him who comes with
salvation!

- P: Behold, your King comes to you; He is just and has salvation. Therefore cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light:
- C: Let us praise Him who comes with salvation!
- P: The Lord shall cause His glorious voice to be heard, and you shall have gladness of heart. Prepare the way of the Lord; make straight paths for him:
- C: Let us praise Him who comes with salvation!

(sung, Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates!
Melody, Behold, the King of Glory waits;
Hymn 73) The King of kings is drawing near,
The Savior of the world is here.
Life and salvation He doth bring,
Wherefore rejoice and gladly sing:
We praise Thee, Father, now,
Creator, wise art Thou!

O blest the land, the city blest,
Where Christ the Ruler is confessed!
O happy hearts and happy homes
To whom this King in triumph comes!
The cloudless Sun of joy He is
Who bringeth pure delight and bliss.
We praise Thee, Spirit, now
Our Comforter art Thou!

Redeemer, come! I open wide
My heart to Thee; here, Lord, abide!
Let me Thine inner presence feel,
Thy grace and love in me reveal;
The Holy Spirit guide us on
Until our glorious goal is won.
Eternal praise and fame
We offer to Thy name.

THE GREETING

P: The Lord be with you: C: (sung) And with thy spirit.

PRAYER FOR THE DAY
C: (sung) Amen.

# THE OLD TESTAMENT READING

Congregational Response: (sung)
Our Hope and Expectation,
(Melody O Jesus, now appear;
Arise, Desire of nations,
O'er this benighted sphere.
With hearts and hands uplifted,
We plead, O Lord, to see
The day of earth's redemption,
That brings us unto Thee!

# THE EPISTLE

Congregational Response: (sung)

(Melody, Savior of the nations, come, Hymn 95) Virgin's Son, make here Thy home! Marvel now, O heav'n and earth, That the Lord chose such a birth.

Welcome, O my Savior, now! Hail! My Portion, Lord, art Thou. Here, too, in my heart, I pray, Oh, prepare Thyself a way!

> And when Thou dost come again As a glorious King to reign, I with joy may see Thy face, Freely ransomed by Thy grace.

# THE GOSPEL

Congregational Response: (sung)

(Melody, Come, Desire of nations, come, Hymn 94) Fix in us Thy humble home;
Oh, to all Thyself impart,
Formed in each believing heart!
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see,
Hail th' incarnate Deity!
Please as Man with man to dwell,
Jesus, our Immanuel!
Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn King!"

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# THE APOSTLES' CREED

HYMN

# SERMON

Congregational Respose: (sung)

Create in me a clean heart, O God,
And renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from Thy presence,
And take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation.
And uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

OFFERING

PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN

BENEDICTION

C: (sung) Amen. Amen. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

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# SUNDAYS AFTER CHRISTMAS ORDER OF SERVICE

OPENING HYMN

THE INVOCATION

Congregation: (sung) Amen.

OPENING RESPONSES

Pastor: People of God, let us worship the Lord: Congregation: Let us praise Him, the Prince of Peace

P: My eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the sight of all people, a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people israel.

C: (sung) Joy to the world, the Lord is come!

Let earth receive her king;

Let ev'ry heart prepare Him room

And heav'n and nature sing::

Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns!
Let men their songs employ,
While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains,
Repeat the sounding joy::

THE GREETING

P: The Lord be with you:

C: (sung) And with thy spirit.

PRAYER FOR THE DAY

C: (sung) Amen.

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING

Congregational Response: (sung)

(Melody, Hymn 91)

Let the earth now praise the Lord,
Who hath truly kept His word
And the sinner's Help and Friend
Now at last to us doth send.

> What the fathers most desired, What the prophets' heart inspired, What they longed for many a year, Stands fulfilled in glory here.

THE EPISTLE

Congregational Response: (Sung)

(Melody, Hymn 91) Comfort my desponding heart, Thou my Strength and Refuge art. I am weak, and comingly Satan lays his snares for me.

> Bruise for me the Serpent's head That, set free from doubt and dread, I may cleave to Thee in faith, Safely kept through life and death.

THE GOSPEL

Congregational Response: (sung)
As Thy coming was in peace,
(Melody, Quiet, full of gentleness,
Hymn 91)
Let the same mind dwell in me
That was ever found in Thee.

And when Thou dost come again As a glorious King to reign, I with joy may see Thy face, Freely ransomed by Thy grace.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

HYMN

SERMON

Congregational Response: (sung)
Create in me a clean heart, O God,
And renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from Thy presence,
And take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation,
And uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

OFFERING

PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

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HYMN

BENEDICTION

C: (sung) Amen. Amen. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

# EPIPHANY ORDER OF SERVICE

## OPENING HYMN

THE INVOCATION

Congregation: (sung) Amen.

WE PREPARE OUR HEARTS

Pastor: Arise, shine; for your Light has come. And

the glory of the Lord rises upon you. The darkness is past and the true Light now

shines. Let His glory be shown to all nations.

Congregation and Pastor:

(spoken)

To You do I cry, O Lord.

In the morning my prayers come to You.

O Lord, hide Your face from my sins,

And blot out all my inquities.

Let Your mercy be upon us as we trust in You.

Let my mouth be filled with Your praise And with Your honor all the day.
Let the words of my mouth,
And the meditation of my heart
Be acceptable in Your sight, O Lord,
My Strength and my Redeemer.

(suna)

O Jesus, King of Glory,
Both David's Lord and Son!
Thy realm endures forever,
In Heav'n is fixed Thy throne.
Help that in earth's dominions,
(Melody, Throughout from pole to pole,
Thy reign may spread salvation
To each benighted soul.

And bid Thy Word within me
Shine as the fairest star;
Keep sin and all false doctrine
Forever from me far.
Help me confess Thee truly
And with Thy Christendom
Here own Thee King and Savior
And in the world to come.

PRAYER FOR THE DAY

Congregation: (sung) Amen.

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING

Congregational Response:

(Melody, Hymn 498) Savior, shine in all Thy glory
On the nations near and far;
From the highways and the byways
Call them, O Thou Morning Star.
Guide them whom Thy grace hath chosen
Out of Satan's dreadful thrall
To the mansions of Thy Father—
There is room for sinners all.

THE EPISTLE

Congregational Response: (sung)

(Melody, Hymn 134) Grant us grace to see Thee, Lord, Mirrored in Thy holy Word; May we imitate Thee now And be pure as pure art Thou That we like to Thee may be At Thy great Epiphany And may praise Thee, ever blest, God in man made manifest.

THE GOSPEL

Congregational Response:

(Melody, Hymn 352) O Savior, precious Savior, Whom, yet unseen, we love; O Name of might and favor; All other names above, We worship Thee, we bless Thee, To Thee, O Christ, we sing; We praise Thee and confess Thee, Our holy Lord and King.

In Thee all fulness dwelleth,
All grace and pow'r divine;
The glory that excelleth,
O Son of God, is Thine.
We worship Thee, we bless Thee,
To Thee, O Christ, we sing;
We praise Thee and confess Thee,
Our glorious Lord and King.

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LORD'S PRAYER

CLOSING HYMN

BENEDICTION

Congregation: (sung) Amen. Amen.

## LENT ORDER OF SERVICE

#### OPENING HYMN

THE INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost.

Congregation: (sung) Amen.

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near to the Lord with sincere hearts and confess our sins to God our Father, that He might, for the sake of Jesus Christ, grant us forgiveness.

Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess to You that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Therefore we come to You, seeking Your mercy and imploring Your grace, for the sake of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

C: (sung)

(Melody,
Hymn 388)

Just as I am, without one plea

But that Thy blood was shed for me
And that Thou bidd'st me come to Thee,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am, Thou wilt receive,
Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;
Because Thy promise I believe,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

- P: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only-begotten Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe on His name He gives power to become the children of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He who believes and is baptized shall be saved.
- C: (sung) When I survey the wondrous cross

  On which the Prince of Glory died,

  My richest gain I count but loss

  And pour contempt on all my pride.

Were the whole realm of nature mine, That were a tribute far too small; Love so amazing, so divine, Demands my soul, my life, my all. PRAYER FOR THE DAY
C: (sung) Amen.

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING

Congregational Response: (sung)

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound, That saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but now am found; Was blind, but now I see.

The Lord has promised good to me; His Word my hope secures; He will my shield and portion be As long as life endures.

THE EPISTLE

Congregational Response: (sung)

(Melody, My hope is built on nothing less
Hymn 370) Than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,
But wholly lean on Jesus' name.
On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand.

THE GOSPEL

Congregational Response: (sung)

(Melody, On my heart imprint Thine image,
Hymn 179)

Blessed Jesus, King of Grace,
That life's riches, cares, and pleasures
Have no paw'r Thee to efface.
This the superscription be:
Jesus crucified for me,
Is my Life, my hope's Foundation,
And my Glory and Salvation.

THE CONFESSION OF FAITH

HYMN

SERMON

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OFFERING

PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN

BENEDICTION

C: (sung) Amen. Amen. Amen.

EFTAT

# PALM SUNDAY ORDER OF SERVICE

## OPENING HYMN

## OPENING SERVICE

Pastor: Lift up your heads, O you gates;

be lifted up, you ancient doors,

that the King of glory may come in.

Congregation: Who is this King of glory?

The Lord strong and mighty, the Lord mighty in battle.

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P: Lift up your heads, O you gates; lift them up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.

C: Who is he, this King of glory?

The Lord Almighty-he is the King of glory.

P: Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord:

C: (sung)



Ho-san-na, hal-le-lu - jah! Sing we loud and clear.



Ho - san - na, hal - le - lu - jah! Je-sus Christ is near.



With an-cient psalms and new grown palms. Praise Him on His way

Ho-san-na, hal-le-lu-jah! Christ, our Lord, is here. PRAYER FOR THE DAY
C: (sung) Amen.

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING

# Congregational Response:

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound, That saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but now am found; Was blind, but now I see.

The Lord has promised good to me; His Word my hope secures; He will my shield and portion be As long as life endures.

## THE EPISTLE

Congregational Response: (sung)

(Melody, My hope is built on nothing less
Hymn 370)
Than Jesus' blood and rightcousness;
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,
But wholly lean on Jesus' name.
On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand.

THE GOSPEL

Congregational Response: (sung)

(Melody, On my heart imprint Thine image,
Hymn 179)

Blessed Jesus, King of Grace,
That life's riches, cares, and pleasures
Have no pow'r Thee to efface.
This the superscription be:
Jesus, crucified for me,
Is my Life, my hope's Foundation,
And my Glory and Salvation.

THE CONFESSION OF FAITH

HYMN

SERMON.

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BENEDICTION

C: (sung) Amen. Amen. Amen.

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# EASTER 1, 11, & 111 ORDER OF SERVICE

## OPENING HYMN

# OPENING SERVICE

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost.

Congregation: (sung) Amen.

P: Christ is risen!

C: He is risen indeed. Hallelujah!

P: Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!

C: In His great mercy He has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

(sung) Crown Him the Lord of Life
Who triumphed o'er the grave
And rose victorious in the strife
Por those He came to save.
His glories now we sing
Who died and rose on high,
Who died eternal life to bring
And lives that death may die.

Crown Him the Lord of Heaven,
Enthroned in worlds above,
Crown Him the King to whom is given
The wondrous name of Love.
Crown Him with many crowns
As thrones before Him fall;
Crown Him, ye kings, with many crowns,
For He is King of all.

PRAYER FOR THE DAY
C: (sung) Amen.

# THE FIRST LESSON

Congregational Response: (sung)

Hymns of praise, then, let us sing, Alleluia! Unto Christ, our heav'nly King, Alleluia! Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia! Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!

# THE SECUND LESSUN

Congregational Response: (Sung)

Refrain:

Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord. Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to His name.

Jesus is Lord of all the earth. He is the King of creation. (Refrain)

Spread the good news o'er all the earth, Jesus has died and has risen. (Refrain)

# THE THIRD LESSON

Congregational Response: (sung)

At the Lamb's high feast we sing Praise to our victorious King, Who has washed us in the tide Flowing from his pierced side. Alleluia!

Mighty Victim from the sky, Hell's fierce powers beneath thee lie; Thou hast brought us life and light. Alleluia!

> Easter Triumph, Easter Joy, Sin alone can this destroy; From sin's power do thou set free Souls newborn, O Lord, in thee. Alleluia!

# THE APOSTLES! CREED

HYMN

THE SERMON

HYMN

PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN

BENEDICTION

C: (sung) Amen. Amen. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER

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# EASTER IV, V, & VI ORDER OF SERVICE

## PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Pastor: In the name of Jesus our Lord and by the power of the Holy Spirit, we call on You, dear heavenly

Father:

Congregation: Hear us for Your name's sake.

- P: We approach You confidently this hour, for we rely on Jesus, our Redeemer, for the full for-giveness of sins:
- C: Receive our thankful worship for His sake.
- P: By the Holy Spirit increase our knowledge of You and of Your will for our lives. Fill our hearts with joy and peace into eternity:
- C: In You, O Lord, have we taken refuge; never let us be ashamed.
- P: O Lord, our Rock and our Fortress, assure us that because You live, we shall live also:
- C: In You we hope. Our praise is for You:

(Sung) I know that my Redeemer lives; What comfort this sweet sentence gives!
Hymn 200) He lives, He lives, who once was dead;
He lives, my ever-living Head!

He lives and grants me daily breath; He lives, and I shall conquer death; He lives my mansion to prepare, He lives to bring me safely there.

PRAYER FOR THE DAY
C: (sung) Amen.

THE FIRST LESSON

Congregational Response: (sung)

(Melody, Christ, who once for sinners bled, Alleluia! Hymn 191) Now the Pirst-born from the dead, Alleluia! Throned in endless might and power, Alleluia! Lives and reigns forevermore. Alleluia!

## THE SECOND LESSON

Congregational Response: (sung)

(Melody, King of Glory, reign forever;
Hymn 221) Thine an everlasting crown.
Nothing from Thy love shall sever
Those whom Thow hast made Thine own,
Happy objects of Thy grace,
Destined to behold Thy face.

THE THIRD LESSON

Congregational Response: (sung)

(Melody, O risen Christ, ascended Lord,
Hymn 212) All praise to Thee let earth accord,
Alleluia!
Who art, while endless ages run,
With Father and with Spirit One.
Alleluia!

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THE SERMON

HYMN

OFFERING

PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN

BENEDICTION

C: (sung) Amen. Amen. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER

# PENTECOST SUNDAY ORDER OF SERVICE

#### THE INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost.

Congregation: (sung) Amen.

## THE RESPONSE FOR PENTECOST

- P: "All of the disciples were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages as the Spirit enabled them."
- C: "On that day about three thousand people were brought to faith, baptized, and so added to the Church."
- P: "No one who is speaking by the Spirit of God says, "Jesus be cursed,""
- C: And no one can say, 'Jesus is Lord,' except by the Holy Spirit."
- P: "We were washed, we were sanctified, we were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God."
- C: (sung) Glory and praise, still onward reaching,
  Be Thine, O Spirit of all grace,
  Whose holy pow'r and faithful teaching
  Give me among Thy saints a place.
  Though heaven and earth shall pass away,
  Thy loving-kindness stands for aye.

PRAYER FOR THE DAY

C: (sung) Amen.

## THE FIRST READING

C: (sung)

(Melody,
Hymn 226)

Come, oh, come, Thou quick'ning Spirit,
God from all eternity!

May Thy power never fail us;
Dwell within us constantly.

Then shall truth and life and light
Banish all the gloom of night.

Grant our hearts in fullest measure Wisdom, counsel, purity, That they ever may be seeking Only that which pleaseth Thee. Let Thy knowledge spread and grow, Working error's overthrow.

### THE SECOND READING

C: (sung) With our spirit bear Thou witness

(Melody,
Hymn 226)

Who rely upon Him solely
When we pass beneath the rod;
For we know, as children should,
That the cross is for our good.

Prompt us, Lord, to come before Him
With a childlike heart to pray;
Sigh in us, O Holy Spirit,
When we know not what to say.
Then our prayer is not in vain,
And our faith new strength shall gain. 13.

## THE THIRD READING

C: (sung) Holy Spirit, strong and mighty,

Thou who makest all things new,

Make Thy work within us perfect

And the evil Foe subdus.

Grant us weapons for the strife

And with victory crown our life.

And when life's frail thread is breaking,
Then assure us more and more,
As the heirs of life wrending,
Of the glory there in store,
Glory never yet expressed,
Glory of the saints at rest.

THE CONFESSION OF FAITH

HYMN

THE SERMON

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OFFERING - PRAYER - LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN

BENEDICTION

Congregation: (sung) Amen. Amen. Amen.

EFTAT

# PENTECOST 1-6 ORDER OF SERVICE

# OPENING HYMN

# INVOCATION

Congregation: (sung) Amen.

# THE INVITATION TO WORSHIP

P: Let us worship the Lord.

C: (sung - Melody in Hymnal, pp. 33-34)
Oh, come, let us sing unto the Lord:
let us make a joyful noise to the Rock
of our salvation.

Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving: and make a joyful noise unto Him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God: and a great King above all gods.

In His hand are the deep places of the earth: the strength of the hills is His also.

The sea is His, and He made it:

and His hands formed the dry land.

Oh, come, let us worship and bow down:

let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker.

For He is our God:

and we are the people of His pasture and the sheep of His hand.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

# THE CONFESSION

P: Our merciful Father, to you we confess our sins.

C: Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
Maker of all things, Judge of all people we
admit and confess our sinfulness. We have
turned away from You, Lord, in our thinking,
speaking, and doing. We have done the evil You
forbid and have not done the good You demand.
We do repent and are truly sorry for our sins.
Have mercy on us, because of the obedience,
suffering, and death of Your Son, Jesus Christ,
our Savior. Forgive us all that is past, and
with the power of the Holy Spirit move us to
serve You faithfully. Set our feet upon the new
path of life through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

P: God has promised forgiveness of sins to those who turn to Him in true repentance. May He keep you in His grace by the Holy Spirit, lead you to greater faith and obedience, and bring you to live with Him forever, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

C: (sung) Glory be to God the Father,
(Melody, Glory be to God the Son,
Hymn 244) Glory be to God the Spirit:
Great Jehovah, Three in One!
Glory, glory, While eternal ages run!

Clory, blessing, praise eternal!
Thus the choir of angels sing;
Honor, riches, pow'r, dominion!
Thus its praise creation brings.
Glory, glory, Glory to the King of kings!

PRAYER FOR THE DAY C: (sung) Amen.

# THE OLD TESTAMENT READING

Congregational Response: (sung)

(Melody, Holy God, we praise Thy name;
Hymn 250)

Lord of all, we bow before Thee.
All on earth Thy scepter claim,
All in heav'n above adore Thee.

Infinite Thy vast domain,
Everlasting is Thy reign.

# THE EPISTLE

Congregational Response: (sung)

(Melody, Holy Father, holy Son;
Hymn 250)
Holy Spirit, three we name Thee;
Though in essence only one,
Undivided God we claim Thee
And, adoring, bend the knee
While we own the mystery.

# THE GOSPEL

Congregational Response: (sung)

(Melody, Glory be to Him who loved us,
Washed us from each spot and stain,
Glory be to Him who bo't us,
Made us kings with Him to reign!
Glory, glory, To the Lamb that once
was slain!

Glory to the King of angels,
Glory to the Church's King,
Glory to the King of nations;
Heav'n and earth, your praises bring!
Glory, glory, To the King of Glory sing!

# THE APOSTLES' CREED

HYMN

THE SERMON

HYMN

OFFERING

PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN

BENEDICTION

C: (Sung) Amen. Amen. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER

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# PENTECOST 7-12 ORDER OF SERVICE

# OPENING HYMN

# OPENING SERVICE

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost.

Congregation: (sung) Amen.

P: Let us in true repentance make confession of our sins and receive the assurance of God's forgiveness in Christ.

C: 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.

Por 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.

Hide Your face from my sins
 and blot out all my iniquity.

P: The Lord is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love.

He does not treat us as our sins deserve or repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is His love for those who fear Him; As far as the east is from the west, So far has He removed our transgressions from us, through the perfect obedience and willing suffering and death of Christ Jesus, our Savior and Lord.

C: (sung) Oh, bless the Lord, my soul!

(Melody, Let all within me join

And aid my tongue to bless His name
Whose favors are divine.

'Tis He forgives my sins;
'Tis He relieves my pain;
'Tis He that heals my sicknesses
And makes me young again.

He crowns my life with love When ransomed from the grave; He that redeemed my soul from hell Bath sov'reign pow'r to save.

P: Prayer for the Day

C: (sung) Amen.

# THE OLD TESTAMENT READING

C: (sung) I will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever, I will sing, I will sing.

I will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever. I will sing of the mercies of the Lord.

With my mouth will I make known
Thy faithfulness, Thy faithfulness.

With my mouth will I make known
Thy faithfulness to all generations.
I will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever. I will sing of the mercies of the Lord.

# THE EPISTLE

C: (sung) Eternal are Thy mercies, Lord;

(Melody, Eternal truth attends Thy Word:

Hymn 15)

Thy praise shall sound from shore to shore

Till suns shall rise and set no more.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Alleluia! Alleluia!

# THE GOSPEL

C: (sung) Beautiful Savior, King of Creation,
(Melody, Son of God and Son of Man!
Hymn 657) Truly I'd love thee, Truly I'd serve Thee,
Light of my soul, my Joy, my Crown.

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# PENTECOST 13-18 ORDER OF SERVICE

#### OPENING HYMN

THE CONFESSION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Congregation: Almighty Lord God, we have come together to stand in Your presence, to hear Your Word and to worship You.

P: But who may appear in Your presence, heavenly Father, and who may call on You for help?

C: He who has clean hands and a pure heart; he shall receive blessings from the Lord.

P: O holy and righteous God, You alone can make us clean. We have rebelled against You and become worthless. But Your mercles never end; they are new every day. At Your command and promise, therefore, we come to You and confess our sins.

- C: O holy and most merciful Pather, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against You and do not deserve to be called Your child. But at Your gracious Word I come to You, and for the sake of my Lord Jesus Christ I plead: God, have mercy on me a sinner!
- P: Having heard your confession, I in the name of the Lord Jesus assure you that our gracious Father in heaven hears the prayer of every repentant sinner, and has forgiven you all your sins for the sake of Jesus Christ. Peace be with you. Amen.
- C: (sung) By a new and living way
  entrance to the very throne
  is secured for those for whom
  Jesus' blood does now atone.
  Priests and prophets of the past
  never were such access giv'n.
  Now the lowliest blood-washed soul
  may approach the throne of heav'n.

as we boldly come to Thee
by the new and living way
open'd there at Calvary.

As we enter through the veil
lost in wonder and in ave,

May our worship, warm tho' frail
mingle with the heav'nly song.

With the great unnumbered choir
let our voices now unite,
saints and martyrs glorified,
precious loved ones robed in light.

"Holy, holy, holy, Lord!"
Let us with the angels cry.

"Hallelujah to the Lamb!"
Let our worship sound on high.

Now receive us, Lord, we pray

P: Prayer for the Day

C: (sung) Amen.

# THE OLD TESTAMENT READING

C: (sung) Now write the King Eternal, Immortal,
Invisible, the only wise God
be honor and glory for ever and ever,
Amen. Amen.
Be honor and glory forever and ever Amen.

## THE EPISTLE

C: (sung) Savior, I long to walk
Closer with Thee;

(Melody, Led by Thy guiding hand,
Ever to be
Constantly near Thy side,
Quickened and purified,
Living for Him who died
Freely for me.

## THE GOSPEL

C: (sung) All praise and thanks to God
The Father now be given,

(Melody, The Son, and Him who reigns
Hymn 36) With them in highest heaven:
The one eternal God,
Whom earth and heav'n adore!
For thus it was, is now,
And shall be evermore.

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C: (sung) Amen. Amen. Amen

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# PENTECOST 19-End ORDER OF SERVICE

# OPENING HYMN

# PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost.

Congregation: (sung) Amen.

- P: Lord God, we come to worship You and to hear Your Word.
- C: We confess to You all our sins and iniquities with which we have ever offended You. We have justly deserved Your punishment. But we are truly sorry for them and sincerely repent of them. Be gracious and merciful to us, for the sake of the suffering and death of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- P: Almighty God, our Father in heaven, has been merciful to us. He gave His only Son to carry our sins upon His body on the cross, and because of Jesus forgives us all our sins.

  Let us, therefore, dedicate ourselves to Him who loved us and gave Himself for us.

C: (sung) Take my life and let it be Consecrated, Lord, to Thee; (Hymn 400, Take my moments and my days,

st. 1,5,6) Let them flow in ceaseless praise!

Take my will and make it Thine, It shall be no longer mine; Take my heart, it is Thine own, It shall be Thy royal throne.

Take my love, my Lord, I pour At Thy feet its treasure-store; Take myself, and I will be Ever, only, all, for Thee.

F: Prayer for the Day.

C: (sung) Amen.

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING

C: (sung) For all the saints who from their labors rest,

(Hymn 463, Who Thee by faith before the world st.1,3) confest,
Thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Oh, may Thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold Fight as the saints who nobly fought of old. And win with them the victor's crown of gold. Alleluia! Alleluia!

# THE EPISTLE

C: (sung) If God Himself be for me,

I may a host defy;

(Hymn 528 For when I pray, before me
st. 1) My foes, confounded, fly.

If Christ, my Head and Master,

Befriend me from above,

What foe or what disaster

Can drive me from His love?

# THE GOSPEL

C: (sung) O Christ, who diedst and yet does live,

To me impart Thy merit,

(Hymn 604, My pardon seal, my sins forgive,

st. 4) And cleanse me by Thy Spirit.

Beneath Thy cross I view the day

When heav'n and earth shall pass away,

And thus prepare to meet Thee.

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C: (sung) Amen. Amen. Amen.

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# REFORMATION ORDER OF SERVICE

# OPENING HYMN

## INVOCATION

Fastor: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost.

Congregation: (sung) Amen.

- P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- P: Our help is in the name of the Lord.
- C: (sung) Who made heaven and earth.
- P: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.
- C: (sung) And Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.
- Pastor and Congregation: O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto Thee all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended Thee and justly deserved Thu temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray Thee of Thy boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor sinful being.
- P: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.
- C: (sung)

  All glory be to God on hich,

  (Hymn 237,
  st. 1)

  To us no harm shall now come nigh,

  The strife at last is ended.

  God showeth His good will to men,

  And peace shall reign on earth again,

  Oh, thank Him for His goodness!

P: Prayer for the Day

C: (sung) Amen.

# THE OLD TESTAMENT READING - Jeremiah 31:31-34

C: (sung)

Salvation unto us has come

By God's free grace and favor.

(Hymn 377, Good works camnot avert our doom,

st. 1)

They help and save us never.

Faith looks to Jesus Christ alone,

Who did for all the world atone;

He is our one Redeemer.

## THE EPISTLE - Romans 3:19-28

C: (sung)

The Law reveals the guilt of sin

And makes men conscience-stricken;

The Gospel then doth enter in

The sinful soul to quicken.

Come to the cross, trust Christ, and live

The Law no peace can ever give,

No comfort and no blessing.

# THE GOSPEL - John 8:31-36

C: (sung)
All blessing, honor, thanks, and praise
(Hymn 377,
st. 10)
The God that saved us by His grace,-All glory to His merit!
O Triune God in heaven above,
Who hast revealed Thy saving love,
Thy blessed name be hallawed.

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# RESPONSIVE PRAYER FOR REFORMATION

- P: Almighty and merciful God of salvation and Source of all truth:
- C: We humbly acknowledge Your wonderful works.
- P: You have revealed Yourself through the inspired writings of the Apostles and Prophets. For these first heralds of Your Truth:

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- C: We praise Your name, O Lord.
- P: In days of spiritual darkness You raised up reformers to recall Your Church to the Gospellight. For Luther and all brave defenders of Your saving Truth:
- C: We glorify Your name, O Lord.
- P: In mercy You have brought us all into the fellowship of faith and richly blessed us day by day. For Christian homes, for Christian schools, for faithful teachers of Your Word, for peace and freedom in our land, for every grace we have received:
- C: We thank You, Lord.
- P: We freely confess our own unworthiness of Your gifts. Our past unfaithfulness, our faltering discipleship, our feeble faith:
- C: O Lord, forgive.
- P: Our careless hearing of Your Truth, our slowness to be doers of Your Word:
- C: O Lord, forgive.
- P: Our wasted opportunities, our prejudice toward nation and race, our love for ourselves and our unconcern for our fellow man:
- C: O Lord, forgive.
- P: we pray You, O Lord, to increase our loyalty and love for You. Constantly cleanse and reform Your Church and in this day of spreading error and confusion, grant us the longed-for blessing of true unity and peace. Restrain the enemies of Your Church and bring all those who scorn Your Truth to saving faith:
- C: We earnestly ask You to hear us, O Lord.
- P: Thou sacred Love, grace on us bestow:
- C: Sct our hearts with heav'nly fire aglow
- P: That with hearts united we love each other:
- C: Of one mind, in peace with every brother. Lord, have mercy! Amen.

# LORD'S PRAYER

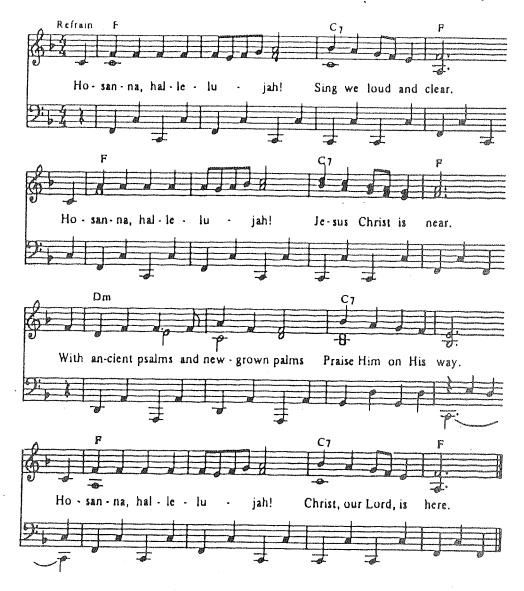
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C: (sung) Amen. Amen. Amen.

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# SECOND LESSON RESPONSE

# Alleluia No I



- Life for all men, alkeluia.
- 5. Come let us praise the living God, Joyfully sing to our Saviour.

OLD TESTAMENT READING RESPONSE



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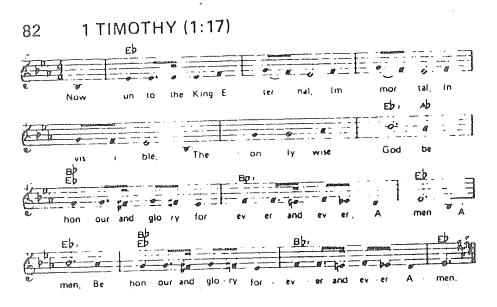




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