

# A Brief Form of the Service

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Lutheran Service Book – Divine Service Setting 3

Zion Lutheran Church, Petoskey, MI

August 15, 2021

## Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost

### PRESERVICE MUSIC & THE BELLS

### OPENING HYMN “Blessed Jesus, at Your Word” LSB #904

### INVOCATION *(Please rise)*

Leader: We begin in God’s Name:  
In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
People: **Amen.**

### CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

Leader: 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.  
Our help is in the name of the Lord,  
People: **who made heaven and earth.**  
Leader: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,  
People: **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**  
Leader: Let us confess our sins to the Lord:  
O almighty God, merciful Father,  
ALL: **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You, and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them, and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor sinful being.**  
Leader: 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 Spirit.  
ALL: **Amen.**

## **PSALM**    *Psalms 34: 12-22*

P: Whoever of you loves life  
**C: and desires to see many good days,**  
P: keep your tongue from evil  
**C: and your lips from telling lies.**  
P: Turn from evil and do good;  
**C: seek peace and pursue it.**  
P: The eyes of the LORD are on the righteous,  
**C: and his ears are attentive to their cry;**  
P: but the face of the LORD is against those who do evil,  
**C: to blot out their name from the earth.**  
P: The righteous cry out, and the LORD hears them;  
**C: he delivers them from all their troubles.**  
P: The LORD is close to the brokenhearted  
**C: and saves those who are crushed in spirit.**  
P: The righteous person may have many troubles,  
**C: but the LORD delivers him from them all;**  
P: he protects all his bones,  
**C: not one of them will be broken.**  
P: Evil will slay the wicked;  
**C: the foes of the righteous will be condemned.**  
P: The LORD will rescue his servants;  
**C: no one who takes refuge in him will be condemned.**

## **RESPONSIVE KYRIE**

Pastor: In peace let us pray to the Lord.  
**People: Lord, have mercy.**  
Pastor: For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.  
**People: Lord, have mercy.**  
Pastor: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.  
**People: Lord, have mercy.**  
Pastor: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.  
**People: Lord, have mercy.**  
Pastor: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.  
**People: Amen.**

## **SALUTATION**

Pastor: The Lord be with you.  
**People: And also with you.**  
Pastor: Let us pray...

## **COLLECT PRAYER**

*(Please be seated)*

## **THE FIRST LESSON** *Proverbs 9: 1-10*

Wisdom has built her house; she has set up its seven pillars. <sup>2</sup> She has prepared her meat and mixed her wine; she has also set her table. <sup>3</sup> She has sent out her servants, and she calls from the highest point of the city, <sup>4</sup>“Let all who are simple come to my house!” To those who have no sense she says, <sup>5</sup>“Come, eat my food and drink the wine I have mixed. <sup>6</sup> Leave your simple ways and you will live; walk in the way of insight.” <sup>7</sup> Whoever corrects a mocker invites insults; whoever rebukes the wicked incurs abuse. <sup>8</sup> Do not rebuke mockers or they will hate you; rebuke the wise and they will love you. <sup>9</sup> Instruct the wise and they will be wiser still; teach the righteous and they will add to their learning. <sup>10</sup> The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom, and knowledge of the Holy One is understanding.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## **THE HOLY GOSPEL** *John 6: 51-69*

<sup>51</sup> I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats this bread will live forever. This bread is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world.”

<sup>52</sup> Then the Jews began to argue sharply among themselves, “How can this man give us his flesh to eat?” <sup>53</sup> Jesus said to them, “Very truly I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. <sup>54</sup> Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise them up at the last day. <sup>55</sup> For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink. <sup>56</sup> Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me, and I in them. <sup>57</sup> Just as the living Father sent me and I live because of the Father, so the one who feeds on me will live because of me. <sup>58</sup> This is the bread that came down from heaven. Your ancestors ate manna and died, but whoever feeds on this bread will live forever.” <sup>59</sup> He said this while teaching in the synagogue in Capernaum. <sup>60</sup> On hearing it, many of his disciples said, “This is a hard teaching. Who can accept it?” <sup>61</sup> Aware that his disciples were grumbling about this, Jesus said to them, “Does this offend you? <sup>62</sup> Then what if you see the Son of Man ascend to where he was before! <sup>63</sup> The Spirit gives life; the flesh counts for nothing. The words I have spoken to you—they are full of the Spirit and life. <sup>64</sup> Yet there are some of you who do not believe.” For Jesus had known from the beginning which of them did not believe and who would betray him. <sup>65</sup> He went on to say, “This is why I told you that no one can come to me unless the Father has enabled them.” <sup>66</sup> From this time many of his disciples turned back and no longer followed him. <sup>67</sup> “You do not want to leave too, do you?” Jesus asked the Twelve. <sup>68</sup> Simon Peter answered him, “Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. <sup>69</sup> We have come to believe and to know that you are the Holy One of God.”

L: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise be to You, O Christ.**

## **THE HYMN OF THE DAY** “You Are the Way: Through You Alone” LSB #526

## **THE SERMON**

## **THE CREED**

Pastor: We confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed:

**ALL:** 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 worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of 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 in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## **THE OFFERING**

*We will continue to receive your Offerings in the wooden box at the entrance. However, the Offerings will be brought to the Altar by an Elder. As they are brought forward the congregation arises and sings:*

**“We Give Thee But Thine Own” LSB #781**

**We give Thee but Thine own, Whate’er the gift may be;  
All that we have is Thine alone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee.**

## **PRAYERS**

*[After each petition, we will respond:]*

Leader: Lord, in your mercy...

People: Hear our prayer.

*[At the conclusion of our prayers, we join together...]*

**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 forever and ever. Amen.

## **HOLY COMMUNION**

Pastor: We now turn our attention to these elements of God's grace, as we hear Christ's words, instituting His Holy Supper:

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying, "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new covenant in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

And may the peace of the Lord be with you always.

**People: Amen.**

## **AGNUS DEI**

**Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.**

*(Members of Zion and members of other LCMS congregations are encouraged to join us at the communion rail to receive the Lord's Supper. For those who are new among us, or members of a different faith background, please speak with pastor before partaking. We love to have conversations about the Lord's blessings, so please feel free to ask if you have questions about our beliefs and practices surrounding this Sacrament. Thank you!) [The Communion Meal is distributed.]*

## **COMMUNION HYMNS**

**"Lord Jesus Christ, Life-Giving Bread" LSB #625**

**"Jesus Comes Today with Healing" LSB #620**

Pastor: Having received this body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, may it strengthen and preserve you, steadfast in the one, true faith, until life everlasting.

**ALL: Amen.**

## **POST-COMMUNION COLLECT PRAYER**

Pastor: Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People: Amen**

## **BENEDICTION**

P: And now, receive the blessing of our God:

May the Lord bless you and keep you.

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

The Lord look upon you with His favor, and grant to you His peace.

**ALL: Amen**

## **THE CLOSING HYMN** “Seek Ye First” LSB #712

## **POSTSERVICE MUSIC**



***Join Us!***

## **Zion Congregational Picnic**

**Sunday, August 22—12:00 Noon**

***East Park, Resort Township***

***Petoskey***

- ♦ Potluck Dinner
- ♦ Games
- ♦ Fellowship

*Meat, Beverages and Table Service will be provided. Please sign up in the Narthex to bring a dish to pass.*