

A Brief Form of the Service of Holy Communion

Adapted from Lutheran Service Book – Divine Service Setting 1

**Zion Lutheran Church, Petoskey, MI
Seventh Sunday of Easter – May 16, 2021**

PRESERVICE MUSIC & THE BELLS

OPENING HYMN “A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing” LSB #493

1. A hymn of glory let us sing! New hymns throughout the world shall ring:
Alleluia, alleluia!
Christ, by a road before untrod, ascends unto the throne of God.
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
2. The holy apostolic band upon the Mount of Olives stand.
Alleluia, alleluia!
And with His faithful followers see their Lord ascent in majesty.
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
3. To them the singing angels cry, “Why stand and gaze upon the sky?”
Alleluia, alleluia!
“This is the Savior,” thus they say; “this is His glorious triumph day!”
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
4. “You see Him now, ascending high up to the portals of the sky.”
Alleluia, alleluia!
“Hereafter Jesus you shall see returning in great majesty.”
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
5. “Be now our joy on earth, O Lord, and be our future great reward.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Then, throned with you forever, we shall praise Your name eternally.
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
6. (*Please Rise*) O risen Christ, ascended Lord, all praise to You let earth accord:
Alleluia, alleluia!
You are, while endless ages run, with Father and with Spirit one.
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

INVOCATION

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

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

Pastor: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

ALL: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Pastor: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

ALL: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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 justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

ALL: Amen.

PSALM *Psalm 47*

P: Clap your hands, all peoples!

C: Shout to God with loud songs of joy!

P: For the LORD, the Most High, is to be feared,

C: a great king over all the earth.

P: He subdued peoples under us,

C: and nations under our feet.

P: He chose our heritage for us,

C: the pride of Jacob whom he loves.

P: God has gone up with a shout,

C: the LORD with the sound of a trumpet.

P: Sing praises to God, sing praises!

C: Sing praises to our King, sing praises!

P: For God is the King of all the earth;

C: sing praises with a psalm!

P: God reigns over the nations;

C: God sits on his holy throne.

P: The princes of the peoples gather

C: as the people of the God of Abraham.

P: For the shields of the earth belong to God;

C: he is highly exalted!

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

READINGS AND APPLICATION

THE FIRST READING *Acts 1: 1-14*

In the first book, O Theophilus, I have dealt with all that Jesus began to do and teach, ² until the day when he was taken up, after he had given commands through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. ³ He presented himself alive to them after his suffering by many proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. ⁴ And while staying^[a] with them he ordered them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the promise of the Father, which, he said, "you heard from me; ⁵ for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with^[b] the Holy Spirit not many days from now." ⁶ So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?" ⁷ He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or seasons that the Father has fixed by his own authority. ⁸ But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth." ⁹ And when he had said these things, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. ¹⁰ And while they were gazing into heaven as he went, behold, two men stood by them in white robes, ¹¹ and said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven." ¹² Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away. ¹³ And when they had entered, they went up to the upper room,

where they were staying, Peter and John and James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot and Judas the son of James. ¹⁴ All these with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

THE HOLY GOSPEL— *John 17: 1-26*

When Jesus had spoken these words, he lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, “Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son that the Son may glorify you, ² since you have given him authority over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. ³ And this is eternal life, that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. ⁴ I glorified you on earth, having accomplished the work that you gave me to do. ⁵ And now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had with you before the world existed. ⁶ “I have manifested your name to the people whom you gave me out of the world. Yours they were, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. ⁷ Now they know that everything that you have given me is from you. ⁸ For I have given them the words that you gave me, and they have received them and have come to know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. ⁹ I am praying for them. I am not praying for the world but for those whom you have given me, for they are yours. ¹⁰ All mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I am glorified in them. ¹¹ And I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one. ¹² While I was with them, I kept them in your name, which you have given me. I have guarded them, and not one of them has been lost except the son of destruction, that the Scripture might be fulfilled. ¹³ But now I am coming to you, and these things I speak in the world, that they may have my joy fulfilled in themselves. ¹⁴ I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. ¹⁵ I do not ask that you take them out of the world, but that you keep them from the evil one. ¹⁶ They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. ¹⁷ Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. ¹⁸ As you sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. ¹⁹ And for their sake I consecrate myself, that they also may be sanctified in truth. ²⁰ “I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, ²¹ that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. ²² The glory that you have given me I have given to them, that they may be one even as we are one, ²³ I in them and you in me, that they may become perfectly one, so that the world may know that you sent me and loved them even as you loved me. ²⁴ Father, I desire that they also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory that you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. ²⁵ O righteous Father, even though the world does not know you, I know you, and these know that you

have sent me. ²⁶ I made known to them your name, and I will continue to make it known, that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.”

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

HYMN OF THE DAY “Look, Ye, Saints, the Sight Is Glorious” LSB #495

1. Look, ye saints, the sight is glorious; see the Man of Sorrows now!
From the fight returned victorious, ev’ry knee to Him shall bow.
Crown Him! Crown Him! Crown Him! Crow Him! Crown Him! Crown Him!
Crowns become the victor’s brown, crowns become the victor’s brow.
2. Crown the Savior! Angels, crown Him! Rich the trophies Jesus brings;
On the seat of pow’r enthroned Him while the vault of heaven rings.
Crown Him! Crown Him! Crown Him! Crow Him! Crown Him! Crown Him!
Crown the Savior King of kings. Crown the Savior King of kings.
3. Sinners in derision crowned Him, mocking thus the Savior’s claim;
Saints and angels crowd around Him, own His title, praise His name.
Crown Him! Crown Him! Crown Him! Crow Him! Crown Him! Crown Him!
Spread abroad the victor’s fame. Spread abroad the victor’s fame.
4. Hark, those bursts of acclamation! Hark, those loud triumphant chords!
Jesus takes the highest station, oh, what joy the sight affords!
Crown Him! Crown Him! Crown Him! Crow Him! Crown Him! Crown Him!
King of kings and Lord of Lords! King of kings and Lord of lords!

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.

PRAYERS

[After each petition, we will respond:]

Pastor: 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

[You may choose to sing, speak, or pray these words silently as we prepare to receive the gift of God's sacrament]

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.]

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

CLOSING HYMN “The Church’s One Foundation” LSB #644

1. The Church’s one foundation is Jesus Christ, her Lord;
She is His new creation by water and the Word.
From heav’n He came and sought her to be His holy bride;
With His own blood He bought her, and for her life He died.
2. Elect from ev’ry nation, yet one o’er all the earth;
Her charter of salvation: One Lord, one faith, one birth,
One holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food,
And to one hope she presses with ev’ry grace endued.
3. Though with a scornful wonder the world sees her oppressed,
By schisms rent asunder, by heresies distressed,
Yet saints their watch are keeping; their cry goes up, “How long?”
And soon the night of weeping shall be the morn of song.
4. Through toil and tribulation and tumult of her war
She waits the consummation of peace forevermore
Till with the vision glorious Her longing eyes are blest,
And the great Church victorious shall be the Church at rest.
5. Yet she on earth has union with God, the Three in One,
And mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won.
O blessed heav’nly chorus! Lord, save us by Your grace
That we, like saints before us, may see You face to face.