1 O ly Ho -Spir it. And in hearts en ter in, our 2 Give to Your Word im - pres - sive pow'r, That in hearts our 3 O might - y Let Your dear Source of Rock, 0 life, Word, Your work Your dwell now make be - gin, ing place us. from this good hour fire be As it may glow ing, doubt and strife, be strong in In us _ ly burn ing 0 Sun of soul, 0 Light di-vine, the A - round and in That in true Chris - tian u - ni - ty We faith - ful wit _ That we be faith - ful un - to death And live in love 6 bright-ly shine, To joy and glad ness wake us us Your - es may be, er show ness glo ry ev ing. and ho - ly faith, From You true wis dom learn ing. _ That liv - ing, То You we be Tru - ly giv - ing may By Your teach-ing; Hear us, cheer us Let our preach - ing Your grace and peace On us show - er; By Your pow - er Prayer un ceas - ing And in love be still in - creas ing. _ And our la - bor Praise You, Lord, and serve our neigh _ bor. Christ con - fess - ing, Let Sav-ior's bless us see our ing. Tune and text: Public domain

Confession and Absolution

Please stand as you are able. The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their baptism.

Invocation

- P In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- С Amen.

Exhortation

- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- С who made heaven and earth.
- P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- С But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.
- P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

Self-examination

P We will have a period of silence as we reflect on our nature in light of God's Word and the Ten Commandments.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

Call to confess

P Let us call unto the Lord.

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913 O Holy Spirit, Enter In

Confession of Sins

С Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

Absolution

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P 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.

С Amen.

Sharing the Peace

- The peace of the Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.

Service of the Word



God, now and forever. С Amen.

Please be seated.

Verse of the Month

- Our service continues as we speak our Verse of the Month from Hebrews, chapter four, verses nine and ten. **[P**]
- So then, there remains a Sabbath rest for the people of God, for whoever has entered God's rest has also rested С from his works as God did from his. (Hebrews 4:9-10)

Old Testament Reading

²²"Therefore say to the house of Israel, Thus says the Lord GOD: It is not for your sake, O house of Israel, that I am about to act, but for the sake of my holy name, which you have profaned among the nations to which you came. ²³And I will vindicate the holiness of my great name, which has been profaned among the nations, and which you have profaned among them. And the nations will know that I am the LORD, declares the Lord GOD, when through you I vindicate my holiness before their eyes. ²⁴I will take you from the nations and gather you from all the countries and bring you into your own land. ²⁵I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. ²⁶And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. ²⁷And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my just decrees.

- **A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Psalmody

- P Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.
- **C** Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin!
- P Behold, you delight in truth in the inward being, and you teach me wisdom in the secret heart.
- **C** Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.
- P Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me.

CRestore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with a willing spirit. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Epistle

1 Peter 1:18–22

¹⁸knowing that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, ¹⁹but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot. ²⁰He was foreknown before the foundation of the world but was made manifest in the last times for your sake, ²¹who through him are believers in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God.

²²Having purified your souls by your obedience to the truth for a sincere brotherly love, love one another earnestly from a pure heart,

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

Alleluia and Verse



Holy Gospel

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the twelfth chapter.

G Glory to You, O Lord. ²⁸And one of the scribes came up and heard them disputing with one another, and seeing that he answered them well, asked him, "Which commandment is the most important of all?" ²⁹Jesus answered, "The most important is, 'Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. ³⁰And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.' ³¹The second is this: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

С Praise to You, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

C 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.

Please be seated.

Sermon

704 Renew Me, O Eternal Light



LWML Pledge

С In fervent gratitude for the Savior's dying love and His blood-bought gift of redemption we dedicate ourselves to Him with all that we are and have; and in obedience to His call for workers in the harvest wherever and whenever He has need of us. fields. we pledge Him our willing service We consecrate to our hands to work for Him, our feet to go on His errands, our voice to sing His praises, our Savior our lips to proclaim His redeeming love, our silver and our gold to extend His Kingdom, our will to do His and every power of our life to the great task of bringing the lost and the erring into eternal fellowship will, with Him. Amen.

Please stand as you are able.

Prayer of the Church

Please be seated.

Service of the Sacrament

Please stand as you are able.

Preface

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- **C** We lift them to the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- **C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
- It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

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Prayer of Thanksgiving

Lord's Prayer

 C 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.

The Words of Our Lord

P 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 testament 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."

Pax Domini

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- **C** Amen.



Please be seated.

Distribution

The pastor and those who assist him receive the body and blood of Christ first and then distribute them to those who come to receive, saying:

Distribution

Take, eat; this is the true body of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, given into death for your sins. **Amen.**

Take, drink; this is the true blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, shed for the forgiveness of your sins.

Amen.

706 Love in Christ Is Strong and Living



623 Lord Jesus Christ, We Humbly Pray



Please stand as you are able. In dismissing the communicants, the following is said:

The Dismissal

- The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart
 + in peace.
- **C** Amen.



Post-Communion Collect

A 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.

C Amen.

Benedicamus

- **A** Let us bless the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Benediction

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C Amen.

Please be seated.

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Serve The Lord With Gladness (sung to the tune of "Onward Christian Soldiers"

"Serve the Lord with gladness!" It is He alone Who redeemed us sinners, Guides us as His own To enjoy the blessings Of His love and grace, Will at last in glory Meet us face to face. Onward, then, for Jesus! Let this be our aim: "Serve the Lord with gladness!" Glorify His name.

"Serve the Lord with gladness!" He gave us command To proclaim His Gospel Now in every land So that fellow sinners May, like us, be blest. Leading them to Jesus, We can serve Him best. Onward, then, for Jesus! Let this be our aim: "Serve the Lord with gladness!" Glorify His name!

"Serve the Lord with gladness!" There's no greater joy Than to serve the Master, Work in His employ. As we build His kingdom Angels, too, rejoice Over every sinner Brought to hear His voice. Onward, then, for Jesus! Let this be our aim: "Serve the Lord with gladness!" Glorify His name!

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