Zion Lutheran Church, Harrisburg, PA WOW (Worship On Wednesday) 12:10pm Winter 2021 Service of Communion Bulletin

Welcome & Announcements

Invocation

L: In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Confession and Forgiveness

L: Arise, shine, your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. We are gathered in this Season of Light to worship God, the Father, the Son, + and the Holy Spirit. (Isaiah 60:1)

C: Amen.

L: Let us humble ourselves before the Lord of all, confessing our sins of which we are aware and for those things that grieve Him of which we are unaware.

(Silence for personal confession)

- L: Gracious God who sent the Light of the World into the darkness of our human sin,
- C: We come before you asking for your gracious mercy for all the things we have done and left undone. We have lived in darkness rather than seeking your light; we have ignored your call to serve our neighbors; and we have neglected to show our gratitude for all you've done for us. Forgive us, dear Lord. Let the light of Christ shine upon us and restore us to your salvation, that we might live holy lives here and now, and be with you in eternity. Amen.
- L: Lift up your eyes all around and see! Your heart shall thrill and exult in the Lord's mercy. The Holy One of Israel, the Lord your God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit forgives you all your sin and grants you salvation in his holy name.

C: Amen.

Greeting

- L: May the glorious light of the Son of God shine upon you, the abiding love of the Father fill your hearts, and the peace of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

L: Let us pray ...

C: Amen.

Scripture Reading(s)

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Homily

The Prayers

- L: Show us your mercy, O Lord,
- C: and grant us your salvation.
- L: Clothe your ministers with righteousness.
- **C:** Let your people sing with joy.
- L: Give peace, O Lord, in all the world,
- C: for only in you can we live in safety.
- L: Lord, keep this nation under your care.
- C: and guide us in the way of justice and truth.
- L: Let your way be known upon the earth;
- C: your saving health among all nations.
- L: Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten,
- C: nor the hope of the poor be taken away.
- L: Create in us clean hearts, O God,

C: and sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

L: Additional petitions offered, followed by silent prayer
Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, through our Savior
Jesus Christ. C: Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

- L: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- L: Lift up your hearts.
- **C:** We lift them to the Lord.
- L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Eucharistic Prayer

L: Blessed are you,

Lord of Heaven and earth. In your mercy for our fallen world you gave your only Son, that all those who believe in him should not perish, but have eternal life. We give thanks to you for the salvation you have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Send now your Holy Spirit into our hearts, that we may receive our Lord with a living faith as he comes to us in his holy supper. C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus. L 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 in 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,

which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

L: Let us pray together as our Savior has taught us:

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.

L: This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed are they who are called to his supper.

The Communion

All baptized persons who believe in the Real Presence of Christ in, with, and under the bread and wine are welcome to the Table of the Lord.

For those continuing to fast from the sacrament, you are invited to pray the following prayer, The Spiritual Communion:

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if you were already there, and I unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. (Saint Alphonsus Liguori)

Following the receiving of communion, the pastor will speak a blessing to those who do not yet receive the sacrament.

Post-Communion Prayer

L: We give you thanks almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in your mercy you would strengthen us, through this gift, in faith toward you, and in fervent love toward one another: for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

Blessing & Dismissal

L: Go with the blessing of God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, and may the Light of God's Word ever shine within your hearts and lives so that his holy name is praised throughout the world.

C: Amen.

L: Go in peace. Let your light shine! C: Thanks be to God!