

## **Sunday Communion Order of Worship**

### **Prelude**

### **Welcome & Announcements**

### **Easter Greeting**

P Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**C He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

### **Invocation**

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

**C Amen.**

### **Confession and Forgiveness**

P Keep yourselves in the love of God;

**C look forward to the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ.**

P If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation:

**C Everything old has passed away; behold, everything has become new!**

P God has given us the ministry of reconciliation. Therefore, let us be reconciled to God and to one another.

*Silence for personal confession.*

P Gracious God,

**C have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

P Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen.**

### **Gathering Hymn**

## **Greeting**

P The grace of our risen Savior, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C And also with you.**

## **Kyrie**

P In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

**C Lord, have mercy.**

For peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

**C Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace of the whole world, and for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

**C Lord, have mercy.**

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

**C Lord, have mercy.**

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**C Amen**

## **Prayer of the Day**

P The Lord be with you.

**C And also with you.**

P Let us pray: O God, by the humiliation of your Son, you raised up this fallen world. Teach us whom you have rescued from endless death to have the fullness of eternal joy, through the same Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. For he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C Amen.**

## **Scripture Readings**

### **First Reading**

### **Psalm**

### **Second Reading**

## **Gospel**

**P** The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## **Children's Sermon**

## **Sermon**

## **Anthem**

## **Nicene Creed**

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## **Prayers of the People**

**P** Let us pray for the Church, the world, and all people according to their needs.

***A brief silence for prayer***

*After each portion of the prayers:*

P Lord in your mercy,  
**C hear our prayer.**

*The prayers conclude:*

P Into your hands, merciful Father, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; for the sake of your son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C Amen.**

### **The Great Thanksgiving**

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.**

### **The Eucharistic Prayer**

P 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.**

P 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.

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

**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.**

P 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 Blessing**

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace.

**C Amen.**

### **The Post Communion Prayer**

P 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.**

### **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.

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen.**

### **Sending Hymn**

### **Dismissal**

P Go in peace to love and serve the risen Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

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