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Liturgy of the Word

***Welcome***

*If you are visiting for the first time we are pleased that you have chosen to join our “virtual” worship.*

*It is our prayer that you will return again to share with us the sense of peace, awe and presence of God we feel*

*when we worship together.*

*Refer to Scripture Readings for each week’s passages*

###### Opening Hymn

###### Opening Acclamation

*Celebrant* Grace and peace be with you.

***People* And keep you in the love of Christ.**

The Celebrant says

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

##### The Gloria

**Glory to God in the highest,**

**and peace to his people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King,**

**almighty God and Father,**

**we worship you, we give you thanks,**

**we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,**

**Lord God, Lamb of God,**

**you take away the sin of the world;**

**have mercy on us;**

**you are seated at the right hand of the Father**

**receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,**

**you alone are the Lord,**

**you alone are the Most High,**

**Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,**

**In the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

**The Collect of the Day**

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

***People* And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*(Celebrant prays the Collect of the Day)*

### The First Lesson

### After the Reading, the Reader says

The Word of the Lord.

***People* Thanks be to God.**

**The Psalm** *(spoken in unison)*

**The Gospel**

### The Gospel Lesson

### *Before the Gospel* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

### *After the Gospel* Praise to you, Lord Christ.

**Sermon**

The Nicene Creed *(spoken in unison)*

**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.**

The Prayers of the People

*To include specific intercessions in the Prayers of the People please send them in advance through the link on the church website.*

God of heaven and earth, through Jesus Christ you promise to hear us when we pray to you in faith with thanksgiving.

We pray for one another, for our families and friends, through whom we learn to love and to be loved. Thank you for all who care for us. Give us grace to serve Christ by serving our neighbors and our community, loving others as he loves us.

For your love and goodness

**We give you thanks, O God.**

We thank you for the unfailing love you hold out to everyone in Jesus Christ. Comfort and heal those in sorrow, need, sickness or any other trouble. We pray especially for…and those we now name. (Congregation may add names). Give them courage and hope in their distress and bless those who minister to them.

For your love and goodness

**We give you thanks, O God.**

We lift in prayer those living and serving in places of natural disaster, violence and war, and for those who suffer around this world, especially…and those we now name. (Congregation may add prayers). May your presence and love be reflected in our actions of mercy and compassion.

For your love and goodness

**We give you thanks, O God.**

We remember with gratitude your many gifts to us, especially…and those we now name. (Congregation may add prayers). Help us and people everywhere to share with justice and peace the resources of the earth. Give wisdom to those in authority among us and to all leaders of the nations.

For your love and goodness

**We give you thanks, O God.**

We pray for your Church throughout the world, thanking you for all who serve Christ and his kingdom. By your Spirit strengthen your people for their work and witness in the world. Unite us in your truth and love, that we who confess your name may also reflect your glory.

For your love and goodness

**We give you thanks, O God.**

We remember with thanksgiving all who have died in Christ, especially…and those we now name. (Congregation may add names). We rejoice at the faithful witness of your saints in every age, praying that we may enter with them into the unending joy of your heavenly kingdom.

For your love and goodness

**We give you thanks, O God.**

*The Celebrant adds a concluding collect*

Merciful God, you look with compassion on all who turn to you. Hear the prayers of your people. Grant that what we have asked in faith we may by your grace receive; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Lord’s Prayer**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**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, for ever and ever. Amen.**

**Prayer for Spiritual Communion**

Lord Jesus, we believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. We desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving as we proclaim your resurrection. We love you above all things, and long for you in our souls. Since we cannot receive you in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, come spiritually into our hearts. Cleanse and strengthen us with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let us never be separated from you. May we live in you, and you in us, in this life and in the life to come. **Amen.**

**Blessing**

Life is short and we have not too much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel with us. So be swift to love and make haste to be kind, and may the blessing of the One who created you, loves you and guides you be with you now and always. **Amen.**

**The Dismissal**

Let us bless the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Closing Hymn**