



THE LENTEN LITURGY

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Living Word Evangelical
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Church

*A Church going forth,
sharing Christ
with the Community!*

Announcements

Prelude

Confession and Forgiveness

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

C Amen

P Let us confess our sin before God, who removes our guilt and blots out all offenses.

[a brief silence for reflection is kept]

P Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

P: For seeking worldly delights that deceive us and dishonor you:

Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

P: For desiring self-reliance instead of hungering for your word:

Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

P: For failing to recognize your coming reign, and for hindering the work of the Spirit:

Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

P: For drawing from the well of self-serving ambition, and for disdain the living water Christ offers:

Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

P: For disregarding voices from the margin, and for distrusting signs of your healing and hope in the world:

Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

P: For dwelling in tombs of self-pity and discontent, and for disregarding Christ's call to come forth to life:

Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us according to your steadfast love.

P: God's steadfast love, grace, and forgiveness abound.

Through faith, the free gift of God, you have been clothed in the righteousness of Christ.

In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.

The Spirit of the One who raised Christ from the dead

dwells in you, pours God's love into your hearts, and gives you life and peace

Amen.

Opening Hymn

See weekly information sheet

Salutation and Prayer of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

Prayer of the Day

See weekly information sheet

P Let us pray together.....

Kyrie (Spoken)

P: In peace let us pray to the Lord

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

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

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

P: 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.

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

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

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

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

C: **Amen.**

Introduction to the Lessons

First Reading

See weekly information sheet

L: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm

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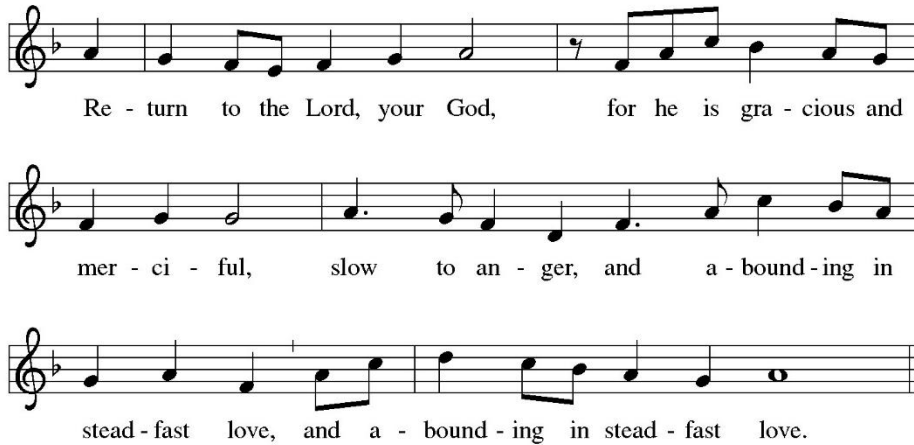
Second Reading

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L: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church

C: **Thanks be to God**

Lenten Acclamation



Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for he is gra - cious and
mer - ci - ful, slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in
stead - fast love, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

Gospel Proclamation

P: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. _____
C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

The Gospel is proclaimed.

P: This is the Gospel of our Lord
C: **Praise to you, O Christ**

Children's Time

Sermon

Silence for reflection follows sermon

Hymn of the Day

See weekly information sheet

Apostles Creed

P: Together with the whole church across time and place, we confess our faith in the words of the Apostles Creed:

**C I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the + resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

P: Led by the Spirit, let us turn to God in prayer for the church, the world, and all those in need.

L: Hear us O God,

C: **Your mercy is great.**

Sharing of the Peace

P: The peace of Christ be with you all.

C: **And also with you.**

Offertory

ELW 686 We Give Thee But Thine Own vs. 1 & 4

We Give Thee but Thine Own

1 We give thee but thine own,
whate'er the gift may be;
all that we have is thine alone,
a trust, O Lord, from thee.

4 And we believe thy word,
though dim our faith may be:
whate'er we do for thine, O Lord,
we do it unto thee.

Offering Prayer

O God, maker of heaven and earth,
your steadfast love embraces all creation.
You send rain and sunshine to nourish the earth
and bring forth its bounty.
Through these gifts of bread and wine,
draw us into the death and life of your Son,
who calls us to bear witness to his saving work.
We ask this in Jesus' name.

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.**

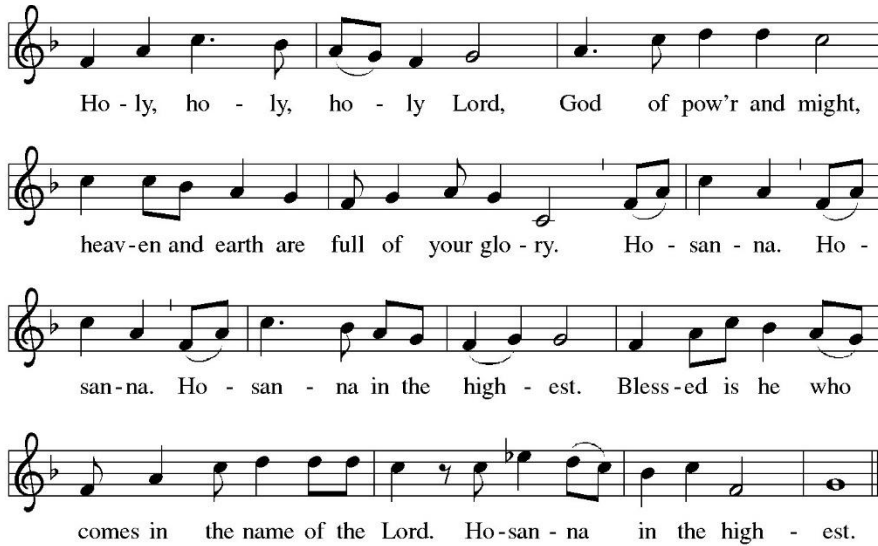
P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Preface

P It is indeed ... and join their unending hymn:

Sanctus



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

Lord's Prayer

P: Together with brothers and sisters around the world, we remember the prayer He gave 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.**

Lamb of God

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.

The presiding minister continues with the canon of Great Thanksgiving

Invitation to Communion

P Come to the table. Feast on God's goodness and mercy.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Communion Hymn *See weekly information sheet*

Blessing after Communion

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

C: **Amen.**

Prayer after Communion

P: God of our salvation, we give you thanks for this meal that restores our souls, reconciles us to you, and strengthens us for the journey.

Through the body and blood of your Son, may we become Christ's body in the world, bearing witness to your love for all creation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: **Amen.**

Benediction

P God, the giver of love, ✝ Christ, the resurrection and the life, and the Holy Spirit of rebirth bless you in this Lenten journey.

C **Amen.**

Sending Hymn *See weekly information sheet*

Dismissal

P Go in peace! Believe the good news. Share Christ with the community.

C: **Thanks be to God.**



