

INVOCATION

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES

P Oh come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

C **Let us come into His presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise!**

P Praise the Lord! For it is good to sing praises to our God; for it is pleasant, and a song of praise is fitting.

C **Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving; make melody to our God on the lyre!**

P Enter His gates with thanksgiving, and His courts with praise! Give thanks to Him; bless His name!

C **For the Lord is good; His steadfast love endures forever, and His faithfulness to all generations.**

HYMN: "Forever"

Give thanks to the Lord our God and King; His love endures forever.

For He is good, He is above all things, His love endures forever.

Sing praise, sing praise.

With a mighty hand and outstretched arm, His love endures forever.

For the life that's been reborn, His love endures forever.

Sing praise, sing praise. Sing praise, sing praise

Forever God is faithful. Forever God is strong.

Forever God is with us, Forever, forever.

From the rising to the setting sun, His love endures forever.

By the grace of God we will carry on; His love endures forever.

Sing praise, sing praise. Sing praise, sing praise.

Forever God is faithful. Forever God is strong.

Forever God is with us, Forever.

Forever God is faithful. Forever God is strong.

Forever God is with us, Forever, forever.

Sing praise, sing praise. Sing praise, sing praise.

Forever You are faithful. Forever You are strong.

Forever You are with us, Forever, forever.

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CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P I will go to the altar of God,

C **to God my exceeding joy.**

P If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

C **Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth.**

P Let us then confess our sins to God, our gracious Father.

C Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Creator of all things, we confess that we are indeed sinful. We have broken our fellowship with You and have turned away from one another in our thinking, speaking, and doing. We have done the evil You forbid and have not done the good You demand. We have not lived lives that are continuing expressions of gratitude. We do repent and are truly sorry for all of our sins. Have mercy on us because of Jesus, our Lord and the source of our salvation. Grant that, by the working of the Holy Spirit, we live faithfully and with full thankfulness until that time when we rejoice together in Your eternal presence.

P God has promised forgiveness to those who repent of their sins and turn to Him for grace. Therefore, as a called and ordained servant of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. The Lord keep you steadfast in the Holy Spirit, lead you to greater faith and obedience, grant you a spirit of ongoing thankfulness, and finally bring you to live with Him forever, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

HYMN: "The Saving One"

What mercy was revealed What selflessness and peace
My fate was surely sealed Until He rescued me
His pardon for my sin His bounty for my need
From slavery and shame I am redeemed

Chorus And heaven can't contain The glory of the Son
Jesus is the Christ The Saving One
His love has made a way The grave is overcome
Jesus is the Christ The Saving One

No fear can hold me down No darkness steal my joy
For blood has been poured out The enemy destroyed
Death could not hold Him down The cross was not enough
To steal away His love For He is God (Chorus)

And anyone who calls upon His name
They will be saved They will be saved
Anyone who calls upon His name
They will be saved They will be saved (Chorus x2)

PRAYER

P Let us pray. Almighty and eternal God, we adore You as the God and Father of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, and with the whole Church on earth and all the hosts of heaven we ascribe to You honor and blessing, thanksgiving and praise. Grant that we with thankful hearts receive Your great mercies and express our gratitude, not only with our lips but also in our lives as we give ourselves to Your service and walk before You in holiness and righteousness all our days. Give us faith that works in love, hope that never disappoints, kindness that never fails, confidence in You that never wavers, patience that does not grow weary, and courage always ready to confess Christ, that we live in Your mercy and die in Your peace; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

CATECHISM

P Confessing faith and expressing thanks are completely linked together. In the Small Catechism, Martin

Luther underscored the theme of thankfulness in his explanation of the First Article of the Creed, which focuses on God the Creator. Together we say:

C I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

P What does this mean? I believe that God has made me and all creatures; that He has given me my body and soul, eyes, ears, and all my members, my reason and all my senses, and still takes care of them.

C For all this it is my duty to thank and praise, serve and obey Him.

P He also gives me clothing and shoes, food and drink, house and home, wife and children, land, animals, and all I have. He richly and daily provides me with all that I need to support this body and life.

C For all this it is my duty to thank and praise, serve and obey Him.

P He defends me against all danger and guards and protects me from all evil. All this He does only out of fatherly, divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness in me.

C For all this it is my duty to thank and praise, serve and obey Him.

This is most certainly true.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray. Almighty God, Your mercies are new every morning, and You graciously provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may acknowledge Your goodness, give thanks for Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience all our days; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING Deuteronomy 8:1–10

“The whole commandment that I command you today you shall be careful to do, that you may live and multiply, and go in and possess the land that the Lord swore to give to your fathers. And you shall remember the whole way that the Lord your God has led you these forty years in the wilderness, that he might humble you, testing you to know what was in your heart, whether you would keep his commandments or not. And he humbled you and let you hunger and fed you with manna, which you did not know, nor did your fathers know, that he might make you know that man does not live by bread alone, but man lives by every word that comes from the mouth of the Lord. Your clothing did not wear out on you and your foot did not swell these forty years. Know then in your heart that, as a man disciplines his son, the Lord your God disciplines you. So you shall keep the commandments of the Lord your God by walking in his ways and by fearing him. For the Lord your God is bringing you into a good land, a land of brooks of water, of fountains and springs, flowing out in the valleys and hills, a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey, a land in which you will eat bread without scarcity, in which you will lack nothing, a land whose stones are iron, and out of whose hills you can dig copper. And you shall eat and be full, and you shall bless the Lord your God for the good land he has given you.”

EPISTLE Philippians 4:6–20

Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me—practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you.

I rejoiced in the Lord greatly that now at length you have revived your concern for me. You were indeed concerned for me, but you had no opportunity. Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content. I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. I can do all things through him who strengthens me.

Yet it was kind of you to share my trouble. And you Philippians yourselves know that in the beginning of the gospel, when I left Macedonia, no church entered into partnership with me in giving and receiving, except you only. Even in Thessalonica you sent me help for my needs once and again. Not that I seek the gift, but I seek the fruit that increases to your credit. I have received full payment, and more. I am well supplied, having received from Epaphroditus the gifts you sent, a fragrant offering, a sacrifice acceptable and pleasing to God. And my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus. To our God and Father be glory forever and ever. Amen.

HOLY GOSPEL Luke 17:11-19

On the way to Jerusalem [Jesus] was passing along between Samaria and Galilee. And as he entered a village, he was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance and lifted up their voices, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us." When he saw them he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went they were cleansed. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; and he fell on his face at Jesus' feet, giving him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus answered, "Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" And he said to him, "Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well."

HYMN OF THE DAY "Blessed Be Your Name"

Blessed be Your name In the land that is plentiful,
Where Your streams of abundance flow, Blessed be Your name.

Blessed be Your name When I'm found in the desert place,
Though I walk through the wilderness, Blessed be Your name.

Pre-Chorus Every blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise.
When the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say:

Chorus Blessed be the name of the Lord, Blessed be Your name.
Blessed be the name of the Lord, Blessed be Your glorious name.

Blessed be Your name When the sun's shining down on me,
When the world's all as it should be, Blessed be Your name.

Blessed be Your name On the road marked with suffering,
Though there's pain in the offering, Blessed be Your name. (Pre-chorus; Chorus)

You give and take away. You give and take away.
My heart will choose to say, Lord, Blessed be Your name. (x2)
(Chorus x2)

SERMON

APOSTLES' CREED

C: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

HYMN "This I Believe (the Creed)"

Our Father everlasting The all creating One
God Almighty
Through Your Holy Spirit Conceiving Christ the Son
Jesus our Saviour

Chorus I believe in God our Father
I believe in Christ the Son
I believe in the Holy Spirit Our God is three in One
I believe in the resurrection That we will rise again
For I believe in the Name of Jesus

Our judge and our defender Suffered and crucified
Forgiveness is in You Descended into darkness
You rose in glorious life Forever seated high (Chorus)

I believe in You I believe You rose again
I believe that Jesus Christ is Lord (x2)

I believe in life eternal I believe in the virgin birth
I believe in the saints' communion And in Your holy Church
I believe in the resurrection When Jesus comes again
For I believe in the Name of Jesus (Chorus)

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs. Lord, on this day we thank You for Your bountiful gifts to all of us. We remember Your many acts of kindness to Your people through all ages. We bless You for the orderly progression of the seasons and thank You for the bountiful harvest of the fruits of the earth. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P We thank You for the Church, asking that the message of salvation joyfully be proclaimed throughout all the world. Bless the work of missionaries, teachers, health workers, and all others who share their faith in countless ways. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P We thank You for the world in which we live and pray for the community of nations. Continue to give us all things needful, and grant that we be good stewards of the earth. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P We thank You for the gift of our families and everyone in them. Help us be truly thankful not only for the material blessings in our lives but for the people who share our lives with us. Grant that our homes

be places of love and care and our neighborhoods be welcoming sanctuaries for all. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P We thank You for the faithful labor of people living out their vocations for our welfare. Today we ask a special blessing on the military forces of our nation, those stationed both at home and abroad, whose efforts serve to defend our nation in challenging times and who guarantee our safety in times of peace. And we remember those whose labor brings food to our tables in this and in every season. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P We thank You that Your care embraces all people as we remember those with special concerns and needs including the ill, hospitalized, and those shut-in, [including . . .], those who sorrow, the unemployed, and underemployed. Help us to find purpose and blessing in assisting those who need the care and compassion that we can offer them. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Merciful God, in our thankful remembrance we recall those no longer among us on earth, who now rejoice in the glorious light of Your heavenly kingdom. Grant that we be inspired by their faithful witness as we look forward to that time when we rejoice together at Your heavenly throne, giving You eternal thanks and praise. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer. Amen.

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.

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 T give you peace.

C Amen.

HYMN "Everyday"

What to say Lord? It's You who gave me life and I
Can't explain just how much You mean to me now
That You have saved me Lord, I give all that I am to You
That everyday I can be a light that shines Your name

Everyday Lord, I'll learn to stand upon Your Word
And I pray that I, that I might come to know You more
That You would guide me in every single step I take
That everyday I can be a light unto the world

Chorus Everyday, it's You I'll live for
Everyday, I'll follow after You
Everyday, I'll walk with You my Lord

Everyday Lord, I'll learn to stand upon Your Word
And I pray that I, that I might come to know You more

That You would guide me in every single step I take
That everyday I can be a light unto the world (Chorus)

It's You I live for, everyday

It's You I live for, everyday

It's You I live for, everyday (Chorus x2)