Mary,
Mother of our Lord
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Service of Holy Communion
Ascension Lutheran Church

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Confession and Absolution

Stand

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

Invocation

P In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

Exhortation

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
C But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection on God’s Word and for self-examination.

Confession of Sins

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

Absolution

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

Service of the Word

Kyrie

P Lord, have mercy upon us.
C Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.
C And also with you.

P Let us pray.
Almighty God, You chose the virgin Mary to be the mother of Your only Son. Grant that we, who are redeemed by His blood, may share with her in the glory of Your eternal kingdom; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C Amen.

Sit
Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 61:7-11

7 Instead of your shame there shall be a double portion;
   instead of dishonor they shall rejoice in their lot;
   therefore in their land they shall possess a double portion;
   they shall have everlasting joy.

8 For I the LORD love justice;
   I hate robbery and wrong;
   I will faithfully give them their recompense,
   and I will make an everlasting covenant with them.

9 Their offspring shall be known among the nations,
   and their descendants in the midst of the peoples;
   all who see them shall acknowledge them,
   that they are an offspring the LORD has blessed.

10 I will greatly rejoice in the LORD;
    my soul shall exult in my God,
    for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation;
    he has covered me with the robe of righteousness,
    as a bridegroom decks himself like a priest with a beautiful headdress,
    and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.

11 For as the earth brings forth its sprouts,
    and as a garden causes what is sown in it to sprout up,
    so the Lord GOD will cause righteousness and praise
    to sprout up before all the nations.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Psalm

Psalm 45:13-14

All glorious is the princess in her chamber,*
   with robes interwoven with gold.

In many-colored robes she is led to the king,*
   with her virgin companions following behind her.

Epistle

Galatians 4:4-7

4 When the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, *to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. 5 And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, “Abba! Father!” 6 So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia and Verse

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Holy Gospel

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the first chapter.
C Glory to You, O Lord.

46 And Mary said,
"My soul magnifies the Lord,
and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior,
for he has looked on the humble estate of his servant.
For behold, from now on all generations will call me blessed;
for he who is mighty has done great things for me,
and holy is his name.
50 And his mercy is for those who fear him
from generation to generation.
51 He has shown strength with his arm;
he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts;
52 he has brought down the mighty from their thrones
and exalted those of humble estate;
53 he has filled the hungry with good things,
and the rich he has sent empty away.
54 He has helped his servant Israel,
in remembrance of his mercy,
55 as he spoke to our fathers,
to Abraham and to his offspring forever."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
C Praise to You, O Christ.

670 Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones

"Al-le-lu-ia!" Cry out, dominions, prince- doms,
"Al-le-lu-ia!" Thou bear-er of the e- ter- nal
al-le-lu-ia!" Ye ho- ly Twelve, ye mar- tyrs
al-le-lu-ia!" To God the Fa- ther, God the
pow’rs, Vir- tu- es, arch- an- gels, an- gels’
Word, Most gra- cious, mag- ni- fy the
strong, All saints tri- um- phant, raise the
Son, And God the Spir- it, Three in
Sit

Sermon

It Seemed Like A Good Idea at the Time

Stand

Nicene Creed

### C I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.
Prayer of the Church

In peace let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, have mercy.

For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, have mercy.

For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, have mercy.

For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, have mercy.

For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, have mercy.

For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, have mercy.

For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, have mercy.

For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, have mercy.

For . . . [additional bids for prayer may be inserted here] . . . let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, have mercy.

Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Offering

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Proper Preface

It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; for by the Holy Spirit Your only-begotten Son was conceived in the womb of the blessed virgin Mary and brought forth in the substance of our human flesh that we might partake of His divine life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:
Lord's Prayer

**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.

The Words of Our Lord

**P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: “Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C** Amen.
Sit

Distribution

The Lord’s Supper is a gift from Christ, offered to those He is building together as one body. Members who have pledged themselves to each other and to the teaching at Ascension through the Rite of Confirmation are invited to receive (1 Cor. 1:10).

Those not members of Ascension but who would like to receive the Sacrament are invited to meet with Pastor after worship to discuss a period of instruction (Ephesians 4:20-24).

933 My Soul Rejoices
In dismissing the communicants, the following is said:

**The Dismissal**

**P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart ☞ in peace.

**C** Amen.

**Stand**

**Post-Communion Collect**

**A** Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**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.

**C** Amen.

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