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

Amen.

Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

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

I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

O almighty God, merciful Father,
C I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

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.
A MULTITUDE COMES FROM THE EAST AND THE WEST

1 A multitude comes from the east and the west
   To sit at the feast of salvation
   With Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, the blest,
   Obeying the Lord's invitation.
   Have mercy upon us, O Jesus!

2 O God, let us hear when our Shepherd shall call
   In accents persuasive and tender,
   That while there is time we make haste, one and all,
   And find Him, our mighty defender.
   Have mercy upon us, O Jesus!

3 All trials shall be like a dream that is past,
   Forgotten all trouble and mourning.
   All questions and doubts have been answered at last,
   When rises the light of that morning.
   Have mercy upon us, O Jesus!
The heavens shall ring with an anthem more grand
Than ever on earth was recorded.
The blest of the Lord shall receive at His hand
The crown to the victors awarded.
Have mercy upon us, O Jesus!

**KYRIE**

A  In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C  Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

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

C  Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

A  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; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

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

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

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

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

1 To God on high be glory
   And peace to all the earth;
   Goodwill from God in heaven
   Proclaimed at Jesus’ birth!
   We praise and bless You, Father;
   Your holy name, we sing—
   Our thanks for Your great glory,
   Lord God, our heav’nly King.

2 To You, O sole-begotten,
   The Father’s Son, we pray;
   O Lamb of God, our Savior,
   You take our sins away.
   Have mercy on us, Jesus;
   Receive our heartfelt cry,
Where You in pow’r are seated
At God’s right hand on high—

3 For You alone are holy;
   You only are the Lord.
Forever and forever,
   Be worshiped and adored;
You with the Holy Spirit
   Alone are Lord Most High,
In God the Father’s glory.
   “Amen!” our glad reply.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

P Let us pray.
O Lord, You have called us to enter Your kingdom through the narrow door. Guide us by Your Word and Spirit, and lead us now and always into the feast of Your Son, Jesus Christ, who lives and
reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

(Sit)

OLD TESTAMENT READING Isaiah 66:18–23
A This is the Word of the Lord.
C Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL Psalm 34:9, 19, alt.

Fear the LORD, you his saints,*
for those who fear him lack nothing!
Many are the afflictions of the righteous,*
but the LORD delivers him out of them all.

EPISTLE Hebrews 12:4–24
A This is the Word of the Lord.
C Thanks be to God.
(Stand)

ALLELUIA AND VERSE

C  Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

C  These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.

C  Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.


P  The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the thirteenth chapter.

C  Glory to You, O Lord.

P  This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C  Praise to You, O Christ.

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.

ASKING A BLESSING
The children and members of the household shall go to
the table reverently, fold their hands, and say:
The eyes of all look to You, [O Lord,] and You give them their food at the proper time. You open Your hand and satisfy the desires of every living thing. (Psalm 145:15–16)

Then shall be said the Lord’s Prayer and the following: Lord God, heavenly Father, bless us and these Your gifts which we receive from Your bountiful goodness, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

(Sit)

791 ALL PEOPLE THAT ON EARTH DO DWELL
1 All people that on earth do dwell,
   Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice.
   Him serve with mirth, His praise forthtell;
   Come ye before Him and rejoice.

2 Know that the Lord is God indeed;
   Without our aid He did us make.
   We are His folk, He doth us feed,
   And for His sheep He doth us take.
3 O enter then His gates with praise;
    Approach with joy His courts unto.
Praise, laud, and bless His name always,
    For it is seemly so to do.

4 For why? The Lord our God is good:
    His mercy is forever sure.
His truth at all times firmly stood
    And shall from age to age endure.

\[5\] To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
    The God whom heav’n and earth adore,
From us and from the angel host
    Be praise and glory evermore.

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SERMON

(Stand)
PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P   In peace, let us pray to the Lord:
C   Lord, have mercy.

The prayers conclude with…

P   To You, O Lord, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be all glory, honor, worship and praise, now and even to the end of all the ages.
C   Amen.

OFFERING

774 FEED THY CHILDREN, GOD MOST HOLY

1   Feed Thy children, God most holy;
    Comfort sinners poor and lowly.
    O Thou Bread of Life from heaven,
    Bless the food Thou here hast given!
As these gifts the body nourish,
    May our souls in graces flourish
    Till with saints in heav’nly splendor
    At Thy feast due thanks we render.

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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.

It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into
death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new 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:

**SANCTUS**

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored; Heav’n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name. Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord; Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

Text: Stephen P. Starke

**LORD’S PRAYER**

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

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.”

PAX DOMINI

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Amen.

AGNUS DEI

1 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world away;
O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.

2 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world away;
Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ,
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

(Sit)

DISTRIBUTION
431 NOT ALL THE BLOOD OF BEASTS

1  Not all the blood of beasts
    On Jewish altars slain
    Could give the guilty conscience peace
    Or wash away the stain.

2  But Christ, the heav’nly Lamb,
    Takes all our sins away;
    A sacrifice of nobler name
    And richer blood than they.

3  My faith would lay its hand
    On that dear head of Thine,
    While as a penitent I stand,
    And there confess my sin.

4  My soul looks back to see
    The burden Thou didst bear
    When hanging on the cursèd tree;
    I know my guilt was there.
5 Believing, we rejoice
   To see the curse remove;
We bless the Lamb with cheerful voice
   And sing His bleeding love.

643 SENT FORTH BY GOD’S BLESSING
1 Sent forth by God’s blessing,
   Our true faith confessing,
The people of God from His dwelling take leave.
   The Supper is ended.
   O now be extended
The fruits of this service in all who believe.
   The seed of His teaching,
   Receptive souls reaching,
Shall blossom in action for God and for all.
   His grace did invite us,
   His love shall unite us
To work for God’s kingdom and answer His call.

2 With praise and thanksgiving
   To God ever-living,
The tasks of our ev’ryday life we will face.
Our faith ever sharing,
In love ever caring,
Embracing His children of each tribe and race.
With Your feast You feed us,
With Your light now lead us;
Unite us as one in this life that we share.
Then may all the living
With praise and thanksgiving
Give honor to Christ and His name that we bear.

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(Stand)

(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 I in peace.

C Amen.
C 1 O Lord, now let Your servant
   Depart in heav’nly peace,
   For I have seen the glory
   Of Your redeeming grace:
   A light to lead the Gentiles
   Unto Your holy hill,
   The glory of Your people,
   Your chosen Israel.

2 All glory to the Father,
   All glory to the Son,
   All glory to the Spirit,
   Forever Three in One;
   For as in the beginning,
   Is now, shall ever be,
   God’s triune name resounding
   Through all eternity.

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.

Amen.

**BENEDICAMUS**

A Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

**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.
COME, WE THAT LOVE THE LORD

1 Come, we that love the Lord,
   And let our joys be known;
Join in a song with sweet accord,
Join in a song with sweet accord
And thus surround the throne,
And thus surround the throne. Refrain

ref We’re marching to Zion,
Beautiful, beautiful Zion;
We’re marching upward to Zion,
The beautiful city of God.

2 Let those refuse to sing
Who never knew our God;
But children of the heav’nly King,
But children of the heav’nly King
May speak their joys abroad,
May speak their joys abroad. Refrain

3 The hill of Zion yields
A thousand sacred sweets
Before we reach the heav’nly fields,
Before we reach the heav’nly fields,
Or walk the golden streets,
Or walk the golden streets. Refrain

4 Then let our songs abound,
And ev’ry tear be dry;
We’re marching through Emmanuel’s ground,
We’re marching through Emmanuel’s ground
To fairer worlds on high,
To fairer worlds on high. Refrain

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