

BY HIS WOUNDS WE ARE HEALED

- *Isaiah 53:5*

Divine Service II with Holy Communion

page 2

Divine Service II (no Communion)

page 11

DIVINE SERVICE II

Divine Service II is a version of the historic liturgy of the Christian church.

THE RINGING OF THE BELLS

WELCOME *spoken by the Pastor*

OPENING HYMN

INVOCATION¹

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

CONFESSION

M: Dear friends, let us approach God with a true heart and confess our sins, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.

C: **Lord of life, I confess that I am by nature dead in sin.**

For faithless worrying and selfish pride,

For sins of habit and sins of choice,

For the evil I have done and the good I have failed to do,

You should cast me away from your presence forever.

O Lord, I am sorry for my sins. Forgive me, for Jesus' sake.

ABSOLUTION²

¹ *The name of the triune God and the sign of the cross remind worshipers of their baptisms, where they became children of God and gained the right to call on Him in worship.*

M: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. In his great mercy, God made us alive in Christ even when we were dead in our sins. Hear the word of Christ through his called servant:

I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

LORD, HAVE MERCY³

Mark 10:47

Kyrie

M: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

For the well-being of all people everywhere, that they may receive from you all they need to sustain body and life, hear our prayer, O Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

M: For the spread of your life-giving gospel throughout the world, that all who are lost in sin may be brought to faith in you, hear our prayer, O Christ.

C: Christ, have mercy.

M: For patience and perseverance in this life, that we may not lose the hope of heaven as we await your return, hear our prayer, O Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

M: Lord of life, live in us that we may live for you.

C: Amen.

During Lent, the Gloria in Excelsis is omitted as our joy is muted by the agony our Savior must endure. The Gloria returns among shouts of Easter joy.

THE WORD

SALUTATION⁴

² *The use of the keys is that special power and right which Christ gave to his church on earth: to forgive the sins of penitent sinners” The minister announces God’s grace, speaking for God to His people [The Small Catechism, First: What is the use of the keys?]. See John 20:21-23.*

³ *Kyrie is the Greek word for Lord. The expression “Lord, have mercy” is one of the oldest worship responses in the Christian church. Having heard the announcement of forgiveness, we are bold to beg, knowing God is full of mercy.*

M: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

The Prayer of the Day is spoken and ends with “one God, now and forever.”

C: **Amen.**

FIRST LESSON

PSALM OF THE DAY

SECOND LESSON

VERSE OF THE DAY

The pastor speaks the proper Verse of the Day.

♪ *Speak, O Savior; I am list'ning, As a servant to his lord.
Let me show respect and honor to your holy precious Word,
That each day, my whole life through, I may serve and follow you.
Let your Word e'er be my pleasure and my heart's most precious treasure.*

*Lord, your words are waters living where I quench my thirsty needs.
Lord, your words are bread life-giving; on your words my spirit feeds.
Lord, your words will be my light through death's cold and dreary night;
Yes, they are my sword prevailing and my cup of joy unfailing.*

GOSPEL⁵

M: The Gospel according to _____ chapter _____.

C: **Glory be to you, O Lord.**

After the Gospel:

⁴ *This greeting has deep roots in Christian worship and marks the beginning of the Word section and the Sacrament section [page 6] of the service. It is more than a greeting, it is a sign that pastor and congregation are one in faith as they join in prayer and sacrament.*

⁵ *At this highpoint of the service, the congregation stands and speaks words of acclamation out of respect for the words and works of Christ, our King.*

M: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise be to you, O Christ.

BE SEATED

HYMN OF THE DAY⁶

SERMON

STAND

NICENE CREED⁷

**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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary,
and became fully human.**

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,**

⁶ *The Hymn of the Day is assigned to this day because of its rich content and connection to the day's Gospel.*

⁷ *Public confession is faith's response to God's saving Word. Christians composed the Nicene Creed in the fourth century to defend the Bible's teachings that both Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit are true God, equal to the Father in one eternal, undivided Trinity.*

**who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
 who has spoken through the prophets.
 We believe in one holy Christian 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.**

OFFERING⁸

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH *spoken by the Pastor*

THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE⁹

M: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

M: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

M: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: **It is good and right so to do.**

M: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who brought the gift of salvation to all people by his death on the tree of the cross, so that the devil, who overcame us by a tree would in turn by a tree be overcome.

Therefore with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY
*Sanctus*¹⁰

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9

⁸ *Moved by God's love in Christ, we offer him our first and best gifts, purely out of thanks to him.*

⁹ *The words of the Preface mark the beginning of the Sacrament section of the service and lift the worshipers' hearts in praise. The opening sentences are among the oldest in the Christian liturgy.*

¹⁰ *Sanctus means "holy." Used possibly as early as the second century, this canticle was in wide use among Christians in worship by the fourteenth century. It is a combination of*

After a short introduction the congregation sings:

- 1 **O holy, holy, holy Lord God of pow'r and might,
Your glory, earth and heaven In countless ways recite.
Hosanna! Come and save us, Lord God of hosts on high,
And in your grace and mercy Receive our fervent cry.**

- 2 **Hosanna in the highest! How truly blest is he
Who in God's name is coming To set his people free!
He comes to bring salvation And with his blood outpoured,
Deliver us from bondage—Hosanna, mighty Lord!**

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING¹¹

M: Blessed are you, O Lord of heaven and earth. We praise and thank you for sending your Son, Jesus Christ, and we remember the great acts of love through which he has ransomed us from sin, death, and the devil's power.

By his incarnation, he became one with us.
By his perfect life, he fulfilled your holy will.
By his innocent death, he overcame hell.
By his rising from the grave, he opened heaven.

Invited by your grace and instructed by your Word, we approach your table with repentant and joyful hearts. Strengthen us through Christ's body and blood, and preserve us in the true faith until we feast with him and all his ransomed people in glory everlasting.

C: Amen.

M: Blessed are you, O Lord, because you have brought us from death to life. With humble and repentant hearts, we praise and thank you for your Son, Jesus Christ,
 who became our substitute under your holy law,
 who destroyed the works of the devil by his perfect obedience to your will,
 who willingly carried a cross to pay the debt of the world's sin,
 who lives and reigns to give us life.

Isaiah 6 and Matthew 21. Jesus would likely have sung the Isaiah 6 portion, specifically the words, Holy, Holy, Holy, as he worshipped in the synagogue here on earth. The Hosannas that were sung on Palm Sunday were to welcome the King coming on a donkey. Our hosannas today are to welcome our King coming in bread and wine.

¹¹ *Jesus took bread and gave thanks [Matthew 26:26].*

Through his body and blood, once given and poured out for us, forgive our sins and strengthen us for our journey heavenward. Unite us to our crucified and risen Lord, that we may believe in him, confess him, call on his name, and finally be delivered from this world to the feast of the Lamb, whose kingdom has no end.

C: 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.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION¹²

Matthew 26:26-28; 1 Cor. 11:24,25

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my (+) body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my (+) blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.

¹² *As he speaks the Words of Institution, the minister both proclaims the words of Jesus to the congregation and sets apart the bread and wine for the Lord's use. The sign of the cross reminds us of Christ's death. These gospel words are another highpoint of the service.*

LAMB OF GOD *Agnus Dei*¹³

John 1:29

Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,
you take a - way the sin of the world;
grant us your peace. A - men.

DISTRIBUTION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER¹⁴

Our congregation honors the Scriptural and historical practice of closed communion. Guests who are members in good standing of a WELS or ELS congregation are invited to commune here. WE ASK THAT OTHER GUESTS PLEASE WAIT UNTIL THEY HAVE SPOKEN TO PASTOR. This is not a judgment of anyone's faith; we simply want to be sure that we are serving you for your benefit and not in any way harming you.

¹³ *Jesus is God's Lamb [Agnus Dei], who was offered as a sacrifice for sin once for all.*

¹⁴ *The Scriptures teach that the celebration of the Lord's Supper connects us intimately with Christ and with one another as Christians who are united around a common confession of faith. It is the true body and blood of the Lord Jesus Christ, given to us to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins, life and salvation.*

During the distribution the congregation may sing one or more hymns.

After the distribution, please STAND at the pastor's direction

SONG OF SIMEON

Luke 2:29-32

Nunc Dimittis¹⁵

After a short introduction the congregation sings:

- 1 **O Lord, now let your servant
Depart in peace, assured:
For I have seen your promised
incarnate, saving Word—
A Light that will enlighten
All gloom where Gentiles dwell;
The brilliant, crowning glory
Of those in 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.**

M: We give you thanks, O Lord, for the foretaste of the heavenly banquet that you have given us to eat and to drink in this sacrament. Through this gift you have fed our faith, nourished our hope, and strengthened our love. By your Spirit help us to live as your holy people until that day when you will receive us as your guests at the wedding supper of the Lamb, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

BLESSING¹⁶

Numbers 6:24-26

¹⁵ *The Nunc Dimittis ["Now dismiss"] is also known as the "Song of Simeon." Through God's Word and Sacrament, we have seen Jesus Christ, and like Simeon we find divine peace and comfort through faith in the Savior. We too are ready at any time to depart this life in peace, the peace of sins forgiveness by the blood of Jesus.*

¹⁶ *The blessing of Aaron has been spoken over God's people for over 3,500 years. The Lord said, "So they will put my name on [them], and I will bless them" [Numbers 6:27].*

10

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.

C: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

++++
Major portions of these services are from Christian Worship Supplement, Divine Service II. © 2008 Northwestern Publishing House.
All rights reserved. Used by permission. Reprinted under onelicense.net #

CW 283, st. 1 and 3, Public Domain.

DIVINE SERVICE II

WITHOUT HOLY COMMUNION

Divine Service II is a version of the historic liturgy of the Christian church.

THE RINGING OF THE BELLS

WELCOME *spoken by the Pastor*

OPENING HYMN

INVOCATION¹⁷

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

CONFESSION

M: Dear friends, let us approach God with a true heart and confess our sins, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.

C: **Lord of life, I confess that I am by nature dead in sin.**

For faithless worrying and selfish pride,

For sins of habit and sins of choice,

For the evil I have done and the good I have failed to do,

You should cast me away from your presence forever.

O Lord, I am sorry for my sins. Forgive me, for Jesus' sake.

ABSOLUTION¹⁸

M: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. In his great mercy, God made us alive in Christ even when we were dead in our sins. Hear the word of Christ through his called servant:

I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

¹⁷¹⁷ *The name of the triune God and the sign of the cross remind worshipers of their baptisms, where they became children of God and gained the right to call on Him in worship.*

¹⁸ *The use of the keys is that special power and right which Christ gave to his church on earth: to forgive the sins of penitent sinners." The minister announces God's grace, speaking for God to His people [The Small Catechism, First: What is the use of the keys?]. See John 20:21-23.*

LORD, HAVE MERCY¹⁹*Mark 10:47**Kyrie***M:** In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

For the well-being of all people everywhere, that they may receive from you all they need to sustain body and life, hear our prayer, O Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.**M:** For the spread of your life-giving gospel throughout the world, that all who are lost in sin may be brought to faith in you, hear our prayer, O Christ.**C: Christ, have mercy.****M:** For patience and perseverance in this life, that we may not lose the hope of heaven as we await your return, hear our prayer, O Lord.**C: Lord, have mercy.****M:** Lord of life, live in us that we may live for you.**C: Amen.**

During Lent, the Gloria in Excelsis is omitted as our joy is muted by the agony our Savior must endure. The Gloria returns among shouts of Easter joy.

THE WORD**SALUTATION²⁰****M:** The Lord be with you.**C: And also with you.****PRAYER OF THE DAY****M:** Let us pray.

The Prayer of the Day is spoken and ends with the words, "One God, now and forever."

C: Amen.

¹⁹ Kyrie is the Greek word for Lord. The expression "Lord, have mercy" is one of the oldest worship responses in the Christian church. Having heard the announcement of forgiveness, we are bold to beg, knowing God is full of mercy.

²⁰ This greeting has deep roots in Christian worship and marks the beginning of the Word section and the Sacrament section of the service. It is more than a greeting, it is a sign that pastor and congregation are one in faith as they join in prayer and sacrament.

FIRST LESSON**PSALM OF THE DAY****SECOND LESSON****VERSE OF THE DAY**

The pastor speaks the proper Verse of the Day.

♪ *Speak, O Savior; I am list'ning, As a servant to his lord.
Let me show respect and honor to your holy precious Word,
That each day, my whole life through, I may serve and follow you.
Let your Word e'er be my pleasure and my heart's most precious treasure.*

*Lord, your words are waters living where I quench my thirsty needs.
Lord, your words are bread life-giving; on your words my spirit feeds.
Lord, your words will be my light through death's cold and dreary night;
Yes, they are my sword prevailing and my cup of joy unfailing.*

GOSPEL²¹

M: The Gospel according to _____ chapter _____.

C: **Glory be to you, O Lord.**

After the Gospel:

M: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise be to you, O Christ.**

APOSTLES' CREED²²

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.
I believe 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.**

²¹ *At this highpoint of the service, the congregation stands and speaks words of acclamation out of respect for the words and works of Christ, our King.*

²² *Public confession is faith's response to God's saving Word. The Apostles Creed, often called the Baptismal Creed because it describes the Faith we are baptized into and is used at the Rite of Holy Baptism, is an ancient confession of the Church, which summarizes what the Scriptures teach about the Triune God. Historically, the Apostles' Creed is used on those Sundays without Holy Communion.*

He descended into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.
From there 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.

BE SEATED

HYMN OF THE DAY²³

SERMON

STAND

After the sermon, the congregation stands to sing:

♪ *Create in me a clean heart, O God,*
And renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from your presence,
And take not your Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of your salvation,
And uphold me with your free Spirit. Amen.

OFFERING²⁴

STAND

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH *spoken by the Pastor*

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.

²³ *The Hymn of the Day is assigned to this day because of its rich content and connection to the day's Gospel.*

²⁴ *Moved by God's love in Christ, we offer him our first and best gifts, purely out of thanks to him.*

**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.**

BE SEATED

HYMN

STAND

M: Almighty God, grant to your Church the Holy Spirit and the wisdom that comes from above. Let nothing hinder your Word from being freely proclaimed to the joy and edifying of Christ's holy people, so that we may serve you in steadfast faith and confess your name as long as we live, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

BLESSING²⁵

Numbers 6:24-26

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.
 The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
 The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.

C: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

++++
 Major portions of these services are from Christian Worship Supplement, Divine Service II. © 2008 Northwestern Publishing House. All rights reserved.
 Used by permission. Reprinted under onelicense.net #

CW 283, st. 1 and 3, Public Domain.

CW 272, Public Domain.

²⁵ *The blessing of Aaron has been spoken over God's people for over 3,500 years. The Lord said, "So they will put my name on [them], and I will bless them" [Numbers 6:27].*