The Service of the Word With Baptism and Lord's Supper



Welcome and Introduction

Call to Worship

M: We are here to listen to the Word of our Creator, our Savior, and the one in whom we trust.

C: We are here to worship the one True God; Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Song

Prayer for the Day M:..Let us pray... C:..Amen.

Bible Reading(s)

Song

Sermon Text

Sermon

Apostles' Creed: A personal confession of Christian faith With these words Christians have witnessed their faith for almost 2000 years.

Traditionally used when the Lord's Supper is not celebrated.

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. 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.

Baptism

(Invite those being baptized to the font)

- L: Jesus says, "Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age." (Matthew 28:19-20 NIV)
- L: One the day of Pentecost, Peter proclaimed: "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off-- for all whom the Lord our God will call." (Acts 2:38-39 NIV)
- L: In (*bringing this child* or *coming*) to be baptized you are doing what is God-pleasing. As Jesus said, "Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned." (Mark 16:16 NIV)
- L: *NAME*, I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- L: The Almighty God Father, Son, and Holy Spirit has forgiven all your sins. By your baptism, you are born again a dear child of your Father in heaven. May God strengthen you as you grow in the study of God's Word and faith. Amen.

(Those baptized and their family may be seated)

Prayer and Prayer Requests

Lord's Prayer

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

(If the Supper is not celebrated proceed to the blessing.)

Preparation

L: 1 John 1:8 - 2:2: If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. If we claim we have not sinned, we make him out to be a liar and his word has no place in our lives. My dear children, I write this to you so that you will not sin. But if anybody does sin, we have one who speaks to the Father in our defense-- Jesus Christ, the Righteous One. He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours but also for the sins of the whole world. (NIV)

L: Almighty God, we confess that we are not perfect as you command and are guilty of sin.

- C: Amen.
- L: Merciful God, we come to you admitting that we cannot remove our guilt, but we come trusting in Jesus.
- C: Amen.
- L: Heavenly Father we thank you not only for the forgiveness of our sins, but also the opportunity to live a better life as we follow your word in our life.
- C: Amen.

Institution

L: 1 Corinthians 11:23-27: For I received from the Lord what I also passed on to you: The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me." In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me." For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. Therefore, whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord. (NIV)

- L: Dear Confirmed Members do you believe that in this Holy Communion, you receive the true body and blood of your Savior Jesus Christ?
- C: We do with humble hearts, admitting our guilt and trusting in Jesus' forgiveness.
- L: May peace of the Lord be with you always! Amen!

Distribution

- L: Take and eat this is the true body of our Lord Jesus Christ, given for you for the forgiveness of sins.
- L: Take and drink this is the true blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, shed for you for the forgiveness of sins.
- L: May this the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen and preserve you to life everlasting. Depart in Peace.

Blessing: Numbers 6:24-26 NIV

- L: The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD turn his face toward you and give you peace.
- C: AMEN!

Song