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Prayer before Worship

Almighty God, You have promised to hear the petitions of those who ask in Your Son's name. Mercifully incline Your ears to us who have now made our prayers and supplications to You, and grant that those things that we have faithfully asked according to Your will we may receive to meet our need and bring glory to You; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

- P designates the parts of the liturgy spoken or chanted by the pastor
- designates the parts of the liturgy spoken or chanted by the congregation
- designates the parts of the liturgy where the sign of the cross may be made
- \triangle designates a hymn that ends with a Trinitarian stanza; please stand for the final stanza

¥ In The Name Of Jesus ¥

OPENING HYMN



STAND

OPENING VERSICLES

Psalm 51:15: 70:1

- P O Lord, open my lips,
- (sung) and my mouth will declare Your praise.
- P Make haste, O God, to deliver me;
- (sung) make haste to help me, O Lord.
- (sung) Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever.

 Amen.
- (sung) Praise to You, O Christ. Alleluia.

FASTER ANTIPHON

- **P** The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.
- (sung) O come, let us worship Him.

VENITE — O Come, Let Us Sing

Psalm 95:1-7

(sung) O come, let us sing / to the Lord,
let us make a joyful noise to the rock of / our salvation.
Let us come into His presence with thanks- / giving,
let us make a joyful noise to / Him with songs of praise.

For the Lord is a / great God and a great / king above all gods. The deep places of the earth are / in His hand; the strength of the hills is / His also.

The sea is His, for He / made it, and His hand / formed the dry land.

O come, let us worship and / bow down, let us kneel before the / Lord, our maker.

For He / is our God, and we are the people of His pasture and the / sheep of His hand.

Glory be to the Father and / to the Son and to the / Holy Spirit; as it was in the be- / ginning,

is now, and will be for- / ever. Amen.

EASTER ANTIPHON

- **P** The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.
- (sung) O come, let us worship Him.

INTROIT

PSALM 100:1-5; ANTIPHON, PSALM 101:1

The 100^{th} psalm is a prophecy of Christ. It calls on the entire world to be joyful, to praise, and to give thanks, that is, to worship God and come to His throne and His courts, and to call on Him with all confidence. For His grace is an eternal kingdom, which truly remains forever and ever.

[Reading the Psalms with Luther, p. 235]



- A I will sing of steadfast love and | justice;* to You, O LORD, I will make | music.
- Make a joyful noise to the LORD, | all the earth!*

 Serve the LORD with gladness!

 Come into His presence with | singing!

Know that the LORD, | He is God!*

It is He who made us, and we are His;

we are His people, and the sheep of His | pasture.

Enter His gates with thanksgiving, and His | courts with praise!*

Give thanks to Him; | bless His name!

For the LORD is good; His steadfast love endures for- | ever,* and His faithfulness to all gener- | ations.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son* and to the Holy | Spirit; as it was in the be- | ginning,*

as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. |
Amen.

A I will sing of steadfast love and | justice;*

Make a JOYFU 1000CE to the LORD

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OFFICE HYMN



FIRST READING Acts 1:12-26

Then [the apostles] returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away. And when they had entered, they went up to the upper room, where they were staying, Peter and John and James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot and Judas the son of James. All these with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary themother of Jesus, and His brothers. In those days Peter stood up among the brothers (the

company of persons was in all about 120) and said, "Brothers, the Scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit spoke beforehand by the mouth of David concerning Judas, who became a guide to those who arrested Jesus. For he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry." (Now this man acquired a field with the reward of his wickedness, and falling headlong he burst open in the middle and all his bowels gushed out. And it became known to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that the field was called in their own language Akeldama, that is, Field of Blood.) "For it is written in the Book of Psalms, 'May his camp become desolate, and let there be no one to dwell in it'; and 'Let another take his office.' So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day when He was taken up from us—one of these men must become with us a witness to His resurrection." And they put forward two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also called Justus, and Matthias. And they prayed and said, "You, Lord, who know the hearts of all, show which one of these two You have chosen to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place." And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias, and he was numbered with the eleven apostles.

- P O Lord, have mercy on us.
- Thanks be to God!

SECOND READING

1 Peter 4:12-19:5:6-11

P Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery trial when it comes upon you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. But rejoice insofar as you share Christ's sufferings, that you may also rejoice and be glad when His glory is revealed. If you are insulted for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you. But let none of you suffer as a murderer or a thief or an evildoer or as a meddler. Yet if anyone suffers as a Christian, let him not be ashamed, but let him glorify God in that name. For it is time for judgment to begin at the household of God; and if it begins with us, what will be the outcome for those who do not obey the gospel of God? And "If the righteous is scarcely saved, what will become of the ungodly and the sinner?" Therefore let those who suffer according to God's

will entrust their souls to a faithful Creator while doing good. ... Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time He may exalt you, casting all your anxieties on Him, because He cares for you. Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour. Resist him, firm in your faith, knowing that the same kinds of suffering are being experienced by your brotherhood throughout the world. And after you have suffered a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to His eternal glory in Christ, will Himself restore, confirm, strengthen, and establish you. To Him be the dominion forever and ever. Amen.

- P O Lord, have mercy on us.
- Thanks be to God!

THIRD READING

Saint John 17:1-11

When Jesus had spoken these words, He lifted up His eyes to heaven, and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify Your Son that the Son may glorify You, since You have given Him authority over



all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom You have given Him. And this is eternal life, that they know You the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent. I glorified You on earth, having accomplished the work that You gave Me to do. And now, Father, glorify Me in Your own presence with the glory that

I had with You before the world existed. I have manifested Your name to the people whom You gave Me out of the world. Yours they were, and You gave them to Me, and they have kept Your word. Now they know that everything that You have given Me is from You. For I have given them the words that You gave Me, and they have received them and have come to know in truth that I came from You; and they have believed that You sent Me. I am praying for them. I am not praying for the world but for those whom You have given Me, for they are Yours. All Mine are Yours, and Yours are Mine, and I am glorified in them. And I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to You. Holy Father, keep them in Your name, which You have given Me, that they may be one, even as We are one."

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

EASTER RESPONSORY

- P Sing to the Lord and bless His name, proclaim His salvation from day to day.
- (sung) Give to the Lord all glory and strength, give Him the honor due His name. Alleluia, alleluia.
- Now is Christ risen from the dead and become the firstfruits of them that sleep.
- (sung) Give to the Lord all glory and strength, give Him the honor due His name. Alleluia, alleluia.
- P Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.
- (sung) Give to the Lord all glory and strength, give Him the honor due His name. Alleluia, alleluia.

SFRMON

₩ STAND ₩

TE DEUM — We Praise You, O God

We praise You, O God; we acknowledge You to / be the Lord. All the earth now worships You, the Father / everlasting. To You all angels cry aloud, the heavens and all the / pow'rs therein.

To You cherubim and seraphim con- / tinually do cry:

Holy, holy, Lord God of / Sabaoth; heaven and earth are full of the majesty / of Your glory. The glorious company of the apostles / praise You. The goodly fellowship of the / prophets praise You.

The noble army of martyrs / praise You.
The holy Church throughout all the world / does acknowledge You:

The Father of an infinite majesty; Your adorable, true, and / only Son;

also the Holy / Ghost, the Comforter.

You are the king of glory, / O Christ;

You are the everlasting Son / of the Father.

When You took upon Yourself to de-/liver man, You humbled Yourself to be born / of a virgin. When You had overcome the / sharpness of death, You opened the kingdom of heaven to / all believers.

You sit at the right / hand of God in the glory / of the Father.
We believe that / You will come to / be our judge.

We therefore pray You to help Your / servants, whom You have redeemed / with Your precious blood. Make them to numbered / with Your saints in glory / everlasting.

O Lord, save Your people and bless Your / heritage. Govern them and lift them / up forever. Day by day we / magnify You. And we worship Your name for- / ever and ever.

Grant, O Lord, to keep us this day with- / out sin.
O Lord, have mercy upon us, have / mercy upon us.
O Lord, let Your mercy be upon us, as our trust / is in You.
O Lord, in You have I trusted; let me never / be confounded.

KYRIE Mark 10:47

(sung) Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

LORD'S PRAYER Matthew 6:9-13

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.

SALUTATION and COLLECT FOR THE DAY

2 Timothy 4:22

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- (sung) And with your spirit.
- P O God, the giver of all that is good, by Your holy inspiration grant that we may think those things that are right and by Your merciful guiding accomplish them; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C (sung) Amen.

ADDITIONAL COLLECTS OF INTERCESSION AND THANKSGIVING

After each petition:

- P Lord, in Your mercy:
- Hear our prayer.



COLLECT FOR GRACE

- P O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, You have safely brought us to the beginning of this day. Defend us in the same with Your mighty power and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger, but that all our doings, being ordered by Your governance, may be righteous in Your sight; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C (sung) Amen.

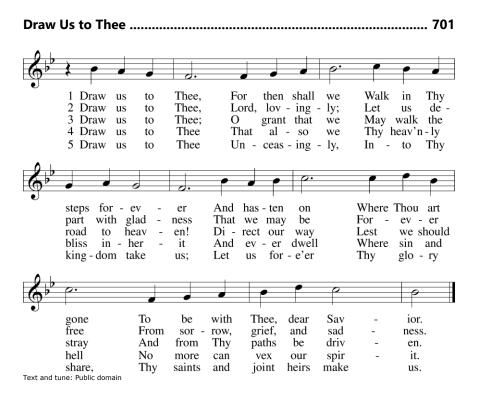
BENEDICAMUS and BENEDICTION

Psalm 103:1; 2 Corinthians 13:14

- **P** Let us bless the Lord.
- (sung) Thanks be to God.
- **P** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit ★ be with you all.

C (sung) Amen.

CLOSING HYMN



▼ TO GOD ALONE THE GLORY ▼

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The Lutheran Church retains ceremonies that underscore and support the Gospel—the good news that we are saved by *grace alone* through *faith alone* in *Christ alone*. Such laudable ceremonies include making the sign of the cross in remembrance of Holy Baptism. Those places in the service where Lutherans have traditionally made the sign of the cross are marked with a cross (*).

It does not matter how rich and glorious we are here on earth; if we keep this treasure (The Holy Scriptures), we are exceedingly rich and sufficiently honored. St. Paul was an unworthy, miserable man on earth, and the devil and the world assailed him most violently. To God he was a dear, worthy man. He was so poor, too, that he had to provide for himself with the work of his hands. And yet, despite such great poverty, he was richer than the emperor in Rome, though he had no other riches than the knowledge of Christ, in comparison with which, he says (Phil. 3:8): "I count all things (nothing on earth is excluded) but loss and refuse."

