

KING OF GLORY LUTHERAN CHURCH, BOISE, IDAHO

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Liturgy – Setting 8



Prelude

Welcome

Confession and Forgiveness

Call to Confession:

Pastor: Too often our hearts are cold and without gratitude. Too often our hands are passive and unwilling to carry out acts of mercy. Too often our lips are pursed tightly, unwilling to speak words of love. Too often we are indeed separated and alienated from our better self, separated and alienated from God. Let us confess our separation as we join together in the prayer of confession.

(Flames of the Spirit, pg. 72 By Richard Eick)

People: Caring and compassionate Creator, we enter this place set apart for your worship, knowing that we have failed to see you in other places. We have ignored your beauty around us, in earth and sky, in plants and creatures, in the people who surround us. We have chosen to live more by our fears than by our faith. We are weighed down by what we do not have, rather than rejoicing in your gifts to us. In these moments together, draw us so close that we cannot help but know everyday that you are with us, wherever we go. Enlarge our capacity to care, so we may see you in all whom we meet.

In Jesus name we pray. AMEN

(Flames of the Spirit, pg. 74 By Lavon Bayler)

Words of Assurance:

Pastor: Hear the good news! God has forgiven each one of us and calls us to take our parts in the drama of forgiveness and reconciling love. Praise God, who accepts and uses our very human lives in the unfolding story of new life! AMEN

(Flames of the Spirit, pg. 81 By Ruth Duck)

Gathering Hymn: "Blessed Assurance" # 638

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray,
 God, we continue to be in awe of you. It is hard to visualize what all happened at the Transfiguration. We can imagine the wonder of it all and how seeing Moses and Elijah was so surprising and powerful for Peter, James and John. To hear your voice coming from the cloud would have been beyond exciting. No wonder why the disciples listened to intently to Jesus' every word. Help us to listen and obey your word and your commandments. We pray all this in the name of your beloved Son, Jesus. **AMEN** (Connie Winter-Eulberg)

Kyrie

Refrain



Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, on our world and on our way.



Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, ev-'ry day.



1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the
 2 That we may live out your im - passioned re - sponse to the
 3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . for
 4 For your Spir - it to guide; that you cen - ter our lives in the



u - ni - ty of all; for
 hun - gry and the poor; that
 friends and fam - i - ly; for
 wa - ter and the word; that you



this ho - ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,
 we may live out truth and jus - tice and grace,
 life and for love, for our work and our play,
 nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod - y and blood,



Refrain
 let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

Old Testament Reading Exodus 24:12-18

The LORD said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction." ¹³So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. ¹⁴To the elders he had said, "Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them." ¹⁵Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. ¹⁶The glory of the LORD settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. ¹⁷Now the appearance of the glory of the LORD was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. ¹⁸Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Psalm 2

¹Why are the nations ^l in an uproar?

Why do the peoples mutter ^l empty threats?

²**Why do the kings of the earth rise up in revolt, and the princes ^l plot together,**

against the Lord and against the ^l Lord's anointed?

³"Let us break their ^l yoke," they say;

"let us cast off their ^l bonds from us."

⁴**God whose throne is in heav- ^l en is laughing;**
the Lord holds them ^l in derision. R

⁵Then in wrath God ^l speaks to them,
and in rage fills ^l them with terror.

⁶**"As for me, I have anoint- ^l ed my king**
upon Zion, my ^l holy mountain."

⁷Let me announce the decree ^l of the Lord,
who said to me, "You are my son; this day have I be- ^l gotten you.

⁸**Ask of me, and I will give you the nations for ^l your inheritance**
and the ends of the earth for ^l your possession. R

⁹You shall crush them with an ^l iron rod
and shatter them like a ^l piece of pottery."

- ¹⁰**And now, you kings, be wise;
be warned, you rulers of the earth.**
- ¹¹Submit to the Lord with fear,
and with trembling bow in worship;
- ¹²**lest the Lord be angry, and you perish in a sudden blaze of wrath.
Happy are all who take refuge in God!**

Second Reading**2 Peter 1:16-21**

For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. ¹⁷For he received honor and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, "This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased." ¹⁸We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain.

¹⁹So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. ²⁰First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, ²¹because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Assembly please stand

Gospel Acclamation pg 188

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
 words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The holy gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Matthew 17:1-9

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. ²And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. ³Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. ⁴Then Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." ⁵While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, "This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!" ⁶When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. ⁷But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Get up and do not be afraid." ⁸And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone. ⁹As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, "Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Kids' Sermon

Sermon

Assembly please stand

Hymn of the Day: "Lift Every Voice and Sing" #841

Leader: I invite you to join with me as we profess our faith using the words of the Apostles' Creed.

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only
Son, our Lord,
Who was conceived of the Holy
Spirit,
Born of the virgin Mary,
Suffered under Pontius Pilate,
Was crucified, died, and was buried;
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
He ascended into heaven,
He is seated at the right hand of the
Father,
And he will come to judge the living
and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
The holy catholic church,
The communion of saints,
The forgiveness of sins,
The resurrection of the body,
And the life everlasting. Amen.**

**Je crois en Dieu, Le Père tout-
puissant, Créateur du ciel et de la
terre.**

**Je crois en Jésus-Christ, Son Fils
unique, notre Seigneur,
Qui a été conçu du Saint Esprit,
Et qui est né de la Vierge Marie.
Il a souffert sous Ponce Pilate;
Il a été crucifié; il est mort; il a été
enseveli;
Il est descendu au séjour des morts.
Le troisième jour, il est ressuscité
des morts; Il est monté au ciel;
Il siège à la droite de Dieu, le Père
tout-puissant;
De là il viendra pour juger les vivants
et les morts.**

**Je crois en l'Esprit Saint.
Je crois en l'Église chrétienne sainte,
La communion des saints,
La rémission des péchés,
La résurrection de la chair
Et la vie éternelle. Amen.**

Intercessory Prayers

Let us pray,

O Holy One, our relationship with you can be a waltz, hip hop, or a salsa dance where the steps seem as familiar as an old friend. At times the dance seems like it is unfamiliar and our steps falter. The joy of our dance with you becomes unsteady and our fear of what comes next makes us want to stop midstride. We want to lead this dance with you, O Gracious One, but you continue to guide us in new ways. Show us how to teach others how to dance with you.

Help us to dance toward those who are in need of help, those in pain, filled with grief and those who lack basic necessities.

We pray out loud or in the silence of our hearts for those who are in need of God's care and healing (*pause*) Gentle helper, bring healing and help so that we can join with you in the dance of celebration. **AMEN** (Connie Winter-Eulberg)

Sharing the Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Assembly please be seated

Offering

Offering Prayer

Let us pray,

God, we give you today what is already yours. You provide so much for us, blessings pressed down, shaken together, running over. Thank you for giving us the ability to give, and cheerful hearts to do it. **AMEN** (Connie Winter-Eulberg)

(Congregation rises)

Great Thanksgiving

Leader: May our God be with you.

All: And may our God be with you, too.

Leader: With hearts uplifted thank our God.

All: We lift them up. Be God adored.

Leader: All praise to God. Alleluia!

All: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Leader: It is truly right and our greatest joy to give you thanks and praise, O God, creator and ruler of the universe. You are our song! We rejoice and sing to you with gladness, for you have renewed us by your love, restoring the fortunes of the lost, gathering up the broken and despised, and giving them a home in glory. Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with choirs of angels with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all the faithful of every time and place who forever sing to the glory of your name?

The Sanctus:

Tune: "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee"

Heavenly host proclaim your glory,

Holy, holy, holy God.

Saints on earth repeat the story.

God of grace, you are adored!

Blest is Christ who comes transforming

In the name of God divine.

Our hosannas sing we always

Meet us in the bread and wine.

Eucharistic Prayer – *Rev. Stephen M. Fearing* www.stephenmfearing.com

Beaumont Presbyterian Church in Lexington, KY (Spirit of Grace Lutheran Church, Portland, OR)

God of our salvation, we do not deserve your love and yet you lavish it upon us.

Not being content to be apart from us, you came to us in human form,
donning flesh and becoming one of us.

You are not a God that is removed from our reality
but is intimately present in our lives and our struggles.

We lift up to you our thanks for your presence among.

We give thanks for Jesus Christ, the very incarnation of your being on this earth.

We remember how you called your servant Mary to bear your son,

How you called your servant Joseph to accompany her.

How you called the wise men to search and the shepherds to ponder,

How you called John to proclaim and Jesus to be baptized,

How you called Peter and the disciples to follow and serve.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus, took bread, gave thanks, blessed it and gave it to the disciples saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this in remembrance of me.

We give thanks for your gifts of grace, and ask that your Holy Spirit would come to bless this sacrament, that we might preside with you and you in us. **AMEN**

Leader: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom and the power and the glory are yours, now and forever.

AMEN

Notre Père

Notre Père, qui est aux cieux, que ton nom soit sanctifié, que ton règne vienne, que ta volonté soit faite sur la terre comme au ciel. Donne-nous aujourd'hui notre pain de ce jour.

Pardonne-nous nos offenses, comme nous pardonnons aussi à ceux qui nous ont offensés. Et ne nous laisse pas entrer en tentation mais délivre-nous du Mal.

AMEN.

Leader: For those in the balcony, please gather your celebratory meal for communion. Take and eat the body of Christ broken for you. Take and drink. This is the cup of salvation. Amen.

Come to the meal. This is for all people. Come, eat and remember the gift that Jesus gave us. All are welcome for this meal. Please come forward to receive the meal.

(Holy Communion today is being offered to you in 2 ways. You can either use the communion kits or you can come to the front of the center aisle where Pastor Connie will offer you a piece of bread. Then you can go to the right or to the left to

receive wine/juice in an individual cup. You then place your empty cup in the basket by the wine/juice station.)

Leader: May the body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ bless you and keep you in his grace.

AMEN

Prayer after Communion

Let us pray. *(pause)*

Jesus, the meal we have eaten today is an ancient sacrament. We can almost hear the whispers of the people who first gathered in homes to share bread and wine together. Through the centuries, priests, pastors and lay people have given the bread and wine to all the generations. We are grateful to you, Jesus, as the continued host of this meal of life. **AMEN** (Connie Winter-Eulberg)

Sending Hymn: “Hallelujah We Sing Your Praises” #535 *(accapella)*

Announcements: (See the Announcement insert)

Benediction: May you go this day understanding that God truly loves you. May you exit these doors with the feeling that you are precious in the eyes of God.

May you leave with plans to live out the message of peace and love for others so that the love of God is reflected in your words and actions. AMEN
(Connie Winter-Eulberg)

Dismissal

Leader: Go in peace. Remember that you are a strong, courageous, and beloved child of God.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

Postlude