

SERVICE GUIDE for HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II for the season After Pentecost (2021) for those worshipping virtually

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Our Vision Statement

We seek to answer the call of God to make disciples for Christ and His Church through meaningful worship, vibrant relationships, ongoing training, and life-changing service to our community and the world.

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Notes about this service guide:

 This symbol indicates music.

The places are indicated when one traditionally *sits, stands, or kneels*. They are guidelines, but please do as you are able. It is said we sit to listen, kneel to pray, and stand to praise.

If you would like to follow along with the Collect, Lessons, Psalm, and Gospel, they can be found at: <https://www.lectionarypage.net/CalndrsIndexes/Calendar2021.html>
(Track 2)

 *Organ Prelude*

The Call to Worship

Please stand.

 *Processional Hymn*

The Word of God

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant: Blessed be God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

Collect for Purity

Celebrant: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Gloria (Renew 64)

Gloria, Gloria in excelsis Deo! Gloria, Gloria, alleluia, alleluia!

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

The Celebrant says the Collect.

All: **Amen.**

Please sit.

First Lesson

Lector: A reading from the book of _____.

The lector reads the appointed reading.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm

Typically, the psalm appointed for the day is read responsively.

Second Lesson

Lector: A reading from the book of _____.

The lector reads the appointed reading.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn

Please stand.

Gospel

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to _____.

People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

The Deacon reads the appointed gospel.

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Please sit.

Sermon

Please stand.

The Nicene Creed

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: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. 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. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic 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.

Please kneel.

The Prayers of the People – Form IV

Deacon: Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Deacon: Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Deacon: Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Deacon: Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Deacon: Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

It is Holy Cross tradition for the congregation to read the names aloud here.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Deacon: We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Deacon: Let us also pray for Holy Cross Church.

People: **Father in heaven, whose earthly bride is Your holy catholic church; bless, protect, and nurture Holy Cross Winter Haven. We rejoice in our circumstances and seek your guidance and wisdom as we discern the plans You have for us – a future with hope. When we call on You and pray to You, You hear us. When we search for You, we will find You if we seek You with all our hearts. We ask you Lord to bless us and enlarge our territory that Your hand would be with us. Keep us from evil that we might not cause harm to anyone. This, we pray through Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

The Celebrant may add a concluding Collect.

Confession of Sin

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

People: **Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

Please stand.

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Special Blessings

For Birthdays, Anniversaries, Travelers, Healing, Thanksgivings, etc.

The Holy Communion

♪ *Offertory Hymn*

♪ **Doxology (Hymnal 380 vs. 3)**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; praise Him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving – Eucharistic Prayer C

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

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

People: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Celebrant: God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

People: **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Celebrant: At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

People: **By your will they were created and have their being.**

Celebrant: From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

People: **Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.**

Celebrant: Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

People: **By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.**

Celebrant: And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

People: **Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Please stand or kneel.

Celebrant: And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,
People: **We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.**

Celebrant: Lord God of our Fathers: God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

People: **Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.**

Celebrant: Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation.

People: **AMEN.**

Celebrant: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us we are bold to say,

People: **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, for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.
A period of silence is kept.*

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on Him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

Communion

An Act of Spiritual Communion:

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

♪ *Communion Hymn*

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant: Let us pray.

People: **Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Blessing

♪ *Recessional Hymn*

The Dismissal

Deacon: Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit! Alleluia, Alleluia!

People: **Thanks be to God! Alleluia, Alleluia!**

♪ *Organ Postlude*

Thank you for worshipping with us today!