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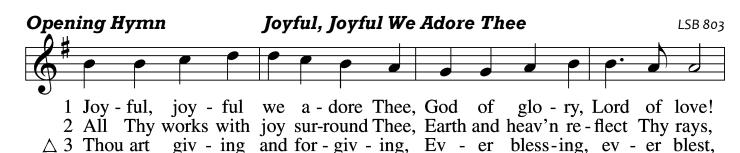
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THE SPIRITUAL GIFTS LITURGY

A traditional order for worship celebrating the Spiritual Gifts that the Holy Spirit gives to His people for serving the Church and the world.





Hearts un-fold like flow'rs be-fore Thee, Prais-ing Thee, their sun a - bove. Stars and an-gels sing a-round Thee, Cen - ter of un-bro-ken praise. Well-spring of the joy of liv - ing, O - cean-depth of hap-py rest!



Melt the clouds of sin and sad-ness, Drive the gloom of doubt a-way. Field and for - est, vale and moun-tain, Flow-'ry mead-ow, flash-ing sea, Fa - ther, Son, and Ho-ly Spir - it, Foun-tain-head of love di-vine:



Giv - er of im - mor - tal glad-ness, Fill us with the light of day. Chant-ing bird, and flow - ing foun-tain Call us to re - joice in Thee. Joy - ful, we Thy heav'n in - her - it! Joy - ful, we by grace are Thine!

Invocation (Based on the hymn "The Gifts Christ Freely Gives" LSB 602)

P: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: The gifts Christ freely gives He gives to you and me

C: To be His Church, His bride, His chosen, saved and free!

P: Gifts flow from baptism
Where He calls us His own;

C: There He forgives our sins With water and His Word;

P: The triune God Himself Gives you power to call Him Lord.

C: Amen.

Confession and Absolution

P: Lord, whose love through humble service Bore the weight of human need,

C: Who upon the cross, forsaken, Offered mercy's perfect deed,

P: We, Your servants, bring the worship Not of voice alone, but heart,

C: Setting aside for Your purpose Every gift that You impart.

P: But we confess unto You, Lord, all our sins and iniquities. We acknowledge how we have neglected the gifts you have given to us—our indifference to Your Word and our selfishness in not using our spiritual gifts to serve You and

others, and so we confess before You in prayer:

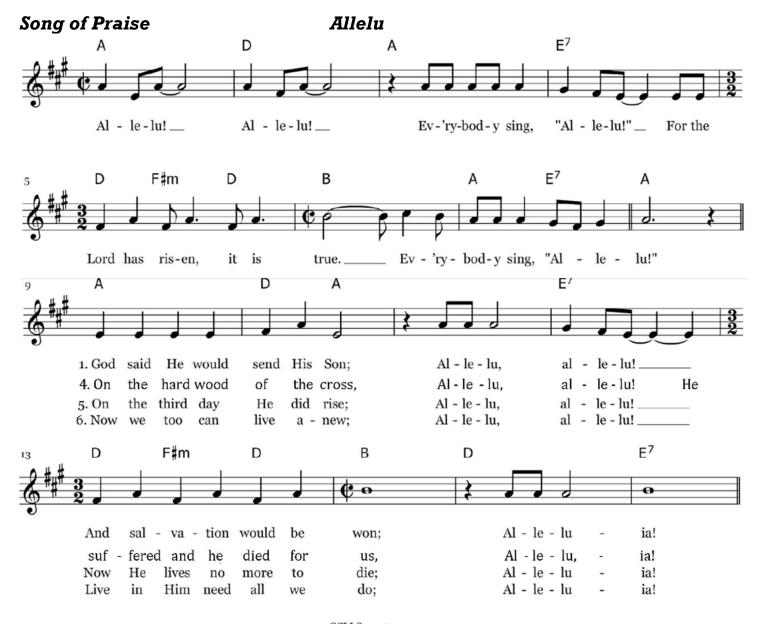
C: Almighty God, heavenly Father, You have called me into the work of Your vineyard and lavished upon me Your grace and all manner of spiritual and eternal gifts. Help me to live in humility and patience, to hope in Your pure grace and faithfulness, to abide in Your house, and to praise and magnify Your glorious grace forever; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

P: The gifts of grace and peace From absolution flow;

C: The pastor's words are Christ's For us to trust and know.

(Based on the hymns "Lord, Whose Love through Humble Service" LSB 848 & "The Gifts Christ Freely Gives" LSB 602, along with collects from LSB)

- P: Forgiveness that we need Is granted to us here;
- C: Blest words that give us life, His words, let us now hear.
- P: In the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.



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Collect (Prayer of the Day)

P: Let us pray. Almighty God, You invite us to trust in You for our salvation. Deal with us not in the severity of Your judgment but by the greatness of Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 25:6-9(ESV)

⁶On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine, of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined.

⁷And he will swallow up on this mountain

the covering that is cast over all peoples,

the veil that is spread over all nations.

⁸He will swallow up death forever;

and the Lord God will wipe away tears from all faces,

and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth,

for the LORD has spoken.

⁹It will be said on that day,

"Behold, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he might save us.

This is the LORD; we have waited for him;

let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation."

1: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Epistle (New Testament Letter)

Philippians 4:4-13(ESV)

⁴Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. ⁵Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; ⁶do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

⁸Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. ⁹What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me—practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you.

¹⁰I rejoiced in the Lord greatly that now at length you have revived your concern for me. You were indeed concerned for me, but you had no opportunity. ¹¹Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content. ¹²I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. ¹³I can do all things through him who strengthens me.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Anthem Put Your Hand in the Hand Adult Choir

• Use the anthem's music and words to help you to meditate on God's Word and His truth for you today. Maintain this as meditative time.

Put your hand in the hand of the Man who stilled the water, Put you hand in the hand of the Man who calmed the sea; Take a look at yourself and you can look at others diff'rently, By puttin' your hand in the hand of the Man from Galilee.

Ev'ry time I look into the Holy Book I wanna tremble, When I read about the part where a Carpenter cleared the temple; For the buyers and sellers were no diff'rent fellas than what I profess to be,

And it causes me shame to know I'm not the gal that I should be!

Put your hand in the hand of the Man who stilled the water, Put you hand in the hand of the Man who calmed the sea; Take a look at yourself and you can look at others diff'rently, By puttin' your hand in the hand of the Man from Galilee.

Mama taught me how to pray before I reached the age of seven, When I'm down on my knees, that's a when I'm close to heaven; Daddy lived his life by the Holy Book and taught me the way to go, And he showed me enough of what it takes to get you through.

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Holy Gospel

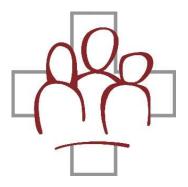
Matthew 22:1–14(ESV)

¹Again Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying, ²"The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son, ³ and sent his servants to call those who were invited to the wedding feast, but they would not come. ⁴Again he sent other servants, saying, 'Tell those who are invited, See, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready. Come to the wedding feast.' 5But they paid no attention and went off, one to his farm, another to his business, ⁶while the rest seized his servants, treated them shamefully, and killed them. ⁷The king was angry, and he sent his troops and destroyed those murderers and burned their city. 8Then he said to his servants, 'The wedding feast is ready, but those invited were not worthy. ⁹Go therefore to the main roads and invite to the wedding feast as many as you find.' 10 And those servants went out into the roads and gathered all whom they found, both bad and good. So the wedding hall was filled with guests.

11"But when the king came in to look at the guests, he saw there a man who had no wedding garment. 12 And he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding garment?' And he was speechless. ¹³Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot and cast him into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' 14For many are called, but few are chosen."

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.



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Hymn of the Day

Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise

LSB 680 sts. 3-5



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Sermon

God's Party

Matthew 22:1-14

Confession of Faith from 1 Corinthians 12 & 1 Peter 4

- P: There are varieties of gifts,
- C: but the same Holy Spirit;
- P: and there are varieties of service,
- C: but the same Lord Jesus;
- P: and there are varieties of activities,
- C: but it is the same God the Father who empowers them all in everyone.
- P: To each disciple is given an expression of the Spirit
- C: for the common good.
- P: Just as the body is one and has many parts,
- C: All the members of the body of Christ are one body.
- P: As each of you has received spiritual gifts,
- C: may we use them to serve one another,
- P: as good stewards of God's varied grace: whoever speaks,
- C: speak as one who speaks the Word of God;
- P: whoever serves,
- C: as one who serves by the strength supplied by God
- P: in order that in everything
- C: God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.

 To him belong glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Prayers

- P: Let us pray to the Lord.
- C: Lord have mercy.

The Lord's Prayer

- P: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom, and teach us to pray:
- All: 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.

Benediction (Blessing) (Based on the hymn "Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord" LSB 497)

P: Come, holy Light, guide divine,

Now cause the Word of life to shine

In you, His people, taught to know our God aright

And call Him Father with delight.

From every error may the Lord keep you free;

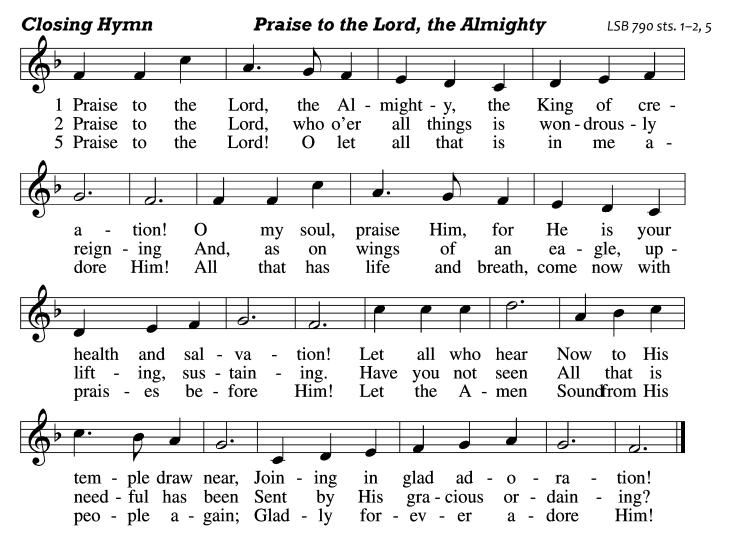
Let none but Christ your master be

That you in living faith abide,

In Him, our Lord, with all your might confide.

In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.



Announcements



OCTOBER 2020 WORSHIP SCHEDULE



OCTOBER 11 - LIVESTREAM WORSHIP - 9AM

ANIMATE: PRACTICES: SACRAMENTS 10:15-11:15AM*

OCTOBER 18 - LIVESTREAM WORSHIP - 9AM

Animate: Practices: Food 10:15-11:00AM*
Indoor Communion 11:15AM - Noon

OCTOBER 25 — REFORMATION SERVICE LIVESTREAM WORSHIP - 9AM

ANIMATE: PRACTICES: SERVICE 10:15-11:00AM*
INDOOR COMMUNION 11:15AM - NOON

BECKY LANZITO & KAREN LEICHT — ORGANISTS
ANN SOUZA - MUSIC DIRECTOR
MANDI DIVER — CHOIR/NEW MUSIC ACCOMPANIST
DAVID ZIEGLER - HANDBELL DIRECTOR

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