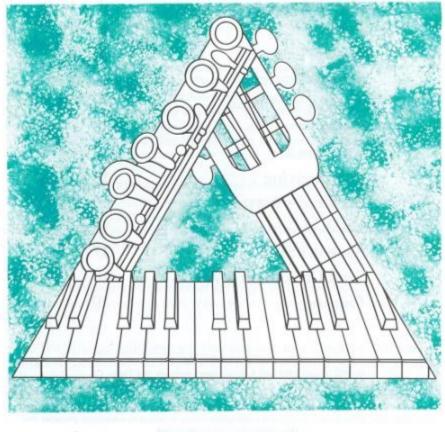
June 9, 2024 3rd Sunday after Pentecost

CHICAGO FOLK SERVICE

Complete Communion Celebration

Revised large print edition correlating with the service order in the Lutheran Book of Worship

by Art Gorman



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THE CHICAGO FOLK SERVICE ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling

Interpreted by Jon Abrams

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WORDS OF WELCOME

GREETING

Leader:

The Lord be with you.

Congregation:



Act of Reconciliation

Leader:	Dear members of God's family, branded in baptism and united in Christ, let us come together honestly to tell God that we have not lived as we could and ask him to forgive us:
All:	OUR FATHER, WE HAVE NOT FULFILLED THE HOPE IN WHICH YOU CREATED US. WE REPENT AND ASK YOUR MERCY THAT OUR SIN BE FORGIVEN AND OUR GUILT REMOVED.
	HELP US TO LEARN FROM SCRIPTURE AND FROM ONE ANOTHER YOUR WILL FOR OUR LIVES, SO THAT WITH YOUR HELP WE CAN CLAIM THE INHERITANCE OF UNLIMITED FREEDOM WHICH YOU HAVE WILLED TO US THROUGH YOUR SON. YOU CAME TO OUR WORLD IN JESUS. COME NOW TO US.
Leader:	God our Father does care about us. He sent his son Jesus Christ to us, and for us Jesus gave his life. Anyone who is in Christ is a new creature. Old things have passed away and all things are new. And all things are of God who has reconciled us to himself through Jesus Christ, and who has entrusted to us the ministry of reconciliation.

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Leader: All-powerful God, in Jesus Christ you turned death into life and defeat into victory. Increase our faith and trust in him, that we may triumph over all evil in the strength of the same Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Congregation: Amen

OPENING HYMN

Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling ELW 608



Text: Will L. Thompson, 1847–1909 Music: THOMPSON, Will L. Thompson

CFS page 7 DEACON'S PRAYER

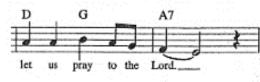
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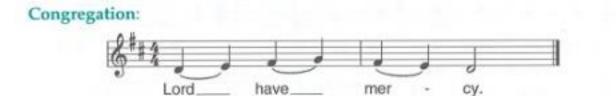


Congregation:



Leader:

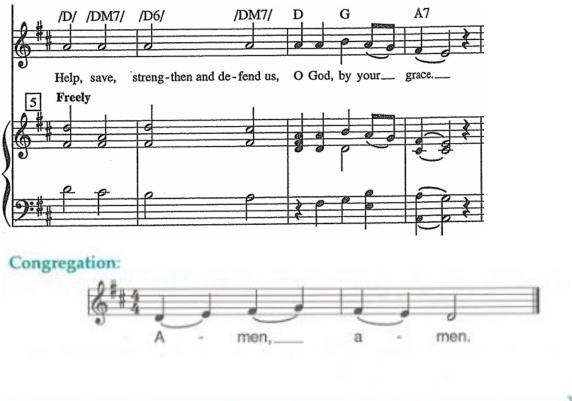








Leader:



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Reader: The first lesson comes from Genesis the 3rd chapter:

⁸[Adam and Eve] heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden.⁹But the LORD God called to the man, and said to him, "Where are you?" ¹⁰He said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself." ¹¹He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" ¹²The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate." ¹³Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent tricked me, and I ate." ¹⁴The LORD God said to the serpent,

"Because you have done this, cursed are you among all animals and among all wild creatures; upon your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life.
¹⁵I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will strike your head, and you will strike his heel."

Word of God, word of life.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Assisting Minister: This morning, we will speak portions of Psalm 130 responsively

¹Out | of the depths I cry to | you, O LORD;

²O LORD, [|] hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my [|] supplication.

³If you were to keep watch [|] over sins, O LORD, [|] who could stand?

⁴Yet with you | is forgiveness, in order that you | may be feared.

⁵I wait for you, O LORD; | my soul waits; in your word | is my hope.

⁶My soul waits for the Lord more than those who keep watch | for the morning, more than those who keep watch | for the morning.

⁷O Israel, wait for the LORD, for with the LORD there is ¹ steadfast love;

with the LORD there is plen- $\space{-}$ teous redemption.

⁸For the LORD shall | redeem Israel from | all their sins. Reader: The 2nd lesson comes from the 4^{th} and 5^{th} chapter of

2 Corinthians:

¹³Just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—"I believed, and so I spoke"—we also believe, and so we speak, ¹⁴because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. ¹⁵Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

¹⁶So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. ¹⁷For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, ¹⁸because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

^{5:1}For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

Word of God, word of life.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

AL-LE-LU-LE, ALLELUIA

Congregation:



Verse:

- Our passover lamb is Christ, Who banished the Angel of Death. (Congregation sing refrain.)
- Our God made the earth for good, And one day we all will rejoice. (Congregation sing refrain.)
- We sing to the glory of the Lord, Who set us free from our sins. (Congregation sing refrain.)

- To Christ our heavenly king, Give thanks for everything. (Congregation sing refrain.)
- He came to show us how To live in the here and now. (Congregation sing refrain.)
- He suffered and died for us, And one day he shall return. (Congregation sing refrain.)

Pastor: The gospel according to the 3rd chapter of the Gospel of Mark: Congregation: Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus went home;] ²⁰and the crowd came together again, so that [Jesus and the disciples] could not even eat. ²¹When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, "He has gone out of his mind." ²²And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, "He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons." ²³And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan? ²⁴If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. ²⁵And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. ²⁶And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. ²⁷But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

²⁸"Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; ²⁹but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin"—³⁰for they had said, "He has an unclean spirit."

³¹Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. ³²A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, "Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you." ³³And he replied, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" ³⁴And looking at those who sat around him, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! ³⁵Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother."

This is the gospel of the Lord.

Congregation: Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE SERMON HYMN OF THE DAY

ELW 838



Text: Gesangbuch, Münster, 1677; tr. Joseph A. Seiss, 1823-1904 Music: SCHONSTER HERR JESU, Silesian folk tune, 19th cent.





PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

We come before the triune God to pray for our communities, ourselves, and our world.

A brief silence.

You reawaken our hearts to your mercy. We give you thanks for renewers of the church in every age (*especially Columba, Aiden, and Bede whom we commemorate today*). Enliven the creativity and persistence of all seeking to transform the church into a closer vision of your beloved community. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Your presence is revealed in the shade of trees, the growth of seeds into flowers, and in the blessing of plants granting food in their right season. Heal lands scarred by deforestation, pollution, or infestation. Teach us to cultivate the earth with respect and reverence. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Our nations and communities are divided, O God. Teach us again to listen with curiosity and mercy, even in disagreement. Grant us the humility to acknowledge our hardness of heart and make us bold in modeling cooperation for the sake of the common good. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Hear the prayers of all who cry out to you from the depths of fear, despair, or hopelessness *especially* Al DeMello, Claudette Briere, Christine Glass, Ed Costa, George Waghorn, Jeanette Renna, Kate, Steve Kasmar, Norm and Polly Cote, David Halvorson, Arthur and Barbara Searles, Karleen Erhardt, Deloris Jay, Richard Ball, Carol Clark and Sandy Bahr, Jose Alexis Marchan-Soteldo, Elia Herlinda Soteldo Cuica, Kayann Laughlin, Jim Erhardt, Carole Rahn, Drew Ball, Mike and Terri Yensz, Timothy Alexander, Robert Conway, Ed Costa Sr. The Wurst Family. With haste, rescue victims of trafficking, exploitation, and abuse, and bless organizations and individuals who work on their behalf. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Grant wisdom and clarity to all who are in seasons of discernment and transition: high school graduates preparing for first jobs or new educational journeys, those who are shifting careers, and those who are navigating changes in their relationships. Accompany them with your peace. God of grace, **hear our prayer**. Your work is done in this place with our hands. Bless the ministries of this congregation AMMPARO, the ELCA congregations of the New Hampshire conference, Habitat for Humanity, Share, ELCA World Hunger, Lutheran Disaster Response, Sleep in Heavenly Peace, Family Promise of Southern New Hampshire, Border Servant Corps, His mansion, and others, that we may embody your love for the world. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for our New England Synod and for our new bishop. Bless our work together. Help us live in such a way that your house is not divided. Let our unity be an answer to Jesus' prayer and a witness to the world around us. God of grace, **hear our prayer**.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

Praise to you for our ancestors in faith who believed, spoke, and lived in you (*especially*). Give us confidence that as Jesus was raised, so we too will be raised, with all the saints, into your everlasting presence. God of grace, **hear our prayer**.

Into your hands, most merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abiding love; through Jesus Christ, our resurrected and living Lord. **Amen.**

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you. And also with you.

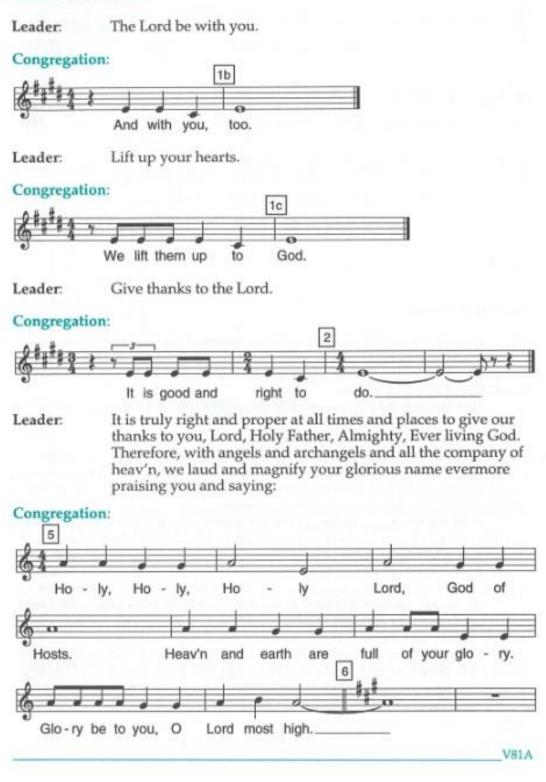
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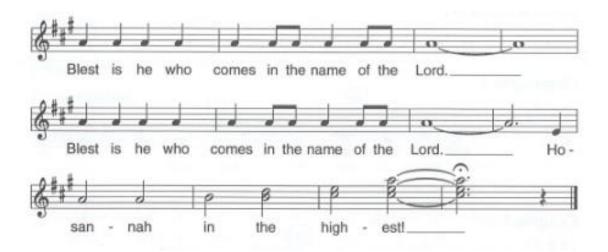
(While "Create in Me" is sung, offerings, including bread and wine are presented.

CREATE IN ME



THANKSGIVING





Presiding Minister:

Father, you are holy indeed: all your actions show your mercy and love. You made us in your image and set us over your creation. Even when we had fallen under the spell of sin, you did not abandon us but offered a covenant of blessing for all people.

You rescued your chosen people, Israel, as a sign of the great deliverance to come.

You sent prophets to prepare the way.

And when the time had come, you sent your Son; born of Mary by the power of the Holy Spirit. In word and wonder he proclaimed your kingdom and was obedient to your will, even to giving his life. For us he was lifted up on the cross that we might know the power of his resurrection.

And that we might no longer live for ourselves, but for him, he promised his Holy Spirit to those who believe to comfort and guide us and make us children of you, his Father.

Father, through him and in his name we ask you, fill us with his Holy Spirit so that, until he comes again, we may remember him as he commanded us:

At supper, on the night he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took some bread in his hands, and after giving thanks to you he broke it and gave it to his disciples and said, "Take this and eat. This is my body which is given for you."

When the meal was ended, he took a cup of wine, and after giving thanks he gave it to them and said, "Take this, all of you, and drink from it. This is my blood of the new covenant which is shed for you and for all people so that sins might be forgiven. Do this to remember me, for I will not drink the fruit of the vine again until the day I drink the new wine in the Kingdom of God."

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THE LORD'S PRAYER



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Leader:

(breaking the bread) When we eat this bread we share the body of Christ. (lifting the cup) When we drink this cup we share the blood of Christ.

LAMB OF GOD

Congregation:





Text: Horatio G. Spafford, 1828-1888 Music: VILLE DU HAVRE, Philip P. Bliss, 1838-1876

Presiding Minister:	(after all have received bread and wine) The Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and keep us in his Grace.		
AII:	AMEN.		
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SEND US FORTH IN PEACE

Leader: Lord, we have your peace.

Congregation:



ANNOUNCEMENTS

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BLESSING



SENDING HYMN In the Garden



POSTLUDE Impromptu in D major / J. Abrams 2024

Leader: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Congregation: THANKS BE TO GOD.

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