The Lutheran Pastor's Liturgical Guide



Martin Luther Preaching to the Faithful by Lucas Cranach, ca 1547



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Why this Guide was Written

In preparing this resource for the use of the Ministry, consideration was taken as to whether it would really be of benefit in helping the Pastor for use in his preparation for the Sunday Liturgy used in the Independent Lutheran Diocese.

In viewing all the various hymnals in use by the several Synods of the Lutheran Church, the matter became somewhat complicated. While the Hallelujahs and Proper Prefaces were included in the main Liturgical part of the Order of the Liturgy, the Collects, Introits, and Graduals were in sections after the Liturgy and the Pericopes were in another section. Liturgical colors were in some cases listed in another section or not at all. There is not extant a publication that brought all the Liturgical colors, Collects, Introits, Pericopes, Graduals, Hallelujahs, and Prefaces together for the Pastor's use in an easy to understand format for use by the novice.

Concerning the Pericopes, it was discouraging to find so many different types in use by various Lutheran Branches: the Revised Common Lectionary, the ILCW 3 year Lectionary, along with various other comparable ones such as the Swedish Rites; each one with different readings, some using more than one type in their Hymnals.

Today, there is a growing interest in returning to what is called the Historic Lectionary or the One Year Lectionary. It was decided that the use of the Historic One Year Lectionary best suited the needs of the Independent Lutheran Diocese because the Historic Lectionary has been in use for over 400 years and has withstood the test of time. The Lutheran Confessions carry on the traditional use of the historic lectionary. Article XXIV [the Mass] of the Apology of the Augsburg Confession states: "We also keep traditional liturgical forms, such as *the order of readings*, prayers, vestments, and other similar things."

Days listed with the Historic Lectionary Names and with the common names in use today. The Historic One-year Lectionary Pericopes are shown as (H) in this publication, while (SL) are Scripture lessons, which were intended to be additional references for preaching and not to be read as replacements for the assigned readings.

The Historic Lectionary, as printed in the majority of the older Hymnals, did not show Psalmody readings for each Sunday in the Liturgical Calendar. Usually the statement given in the Hymnals was: "If Instead of the simple Hallelujah, a Sentence for the Season of the Church Year may be sung with it; or a Psalm, Canticle, or Hymn." The 1941 *Lutheran Hymnal* (pages 164-165) shows a variety of Psalms that could be used each Sunday and not mandating any particular order. It was therefore decided not to include a Psalmody. Many modern lectionaries use the Psalms either from the Matins, or Vespers given in the Historic Lectionary of the older editions. (see 1941 *TLH* p 159-160).

Many of the earlier Hymnals did not use an Old Testament Lesson within the Liturgy. Since many of these Hymnals **did** include Old Testament readings in the Historic Lectionary, it was decided to include these for those days that had them ascribed.

Certain Collects, included in some Hymnals (most notably *The Lutheran Hymnary* used by the Norwegian and Hauge Synods), were done by Veit Dietrich (1506-1549) who was a Lutheran Pastor. He was a friend and confidant of Martin Luther, and as such, was with him at Marburg and Coberg. He was Pastor at St. Sebald in Nürnberg. Summaries of the Old Testament and New Testament were books that he wrote that edified many to the 19th Century. His collects are most of the second collects in this publication. (H) being Historical (VD) for the ones by Veit DietrichFinally, while some lectionaries use some titles for Sunday that are different (i.e. Pentecost 10 for Trinity 9), this edition retains the original names (i.e. 1st Sunday in Advent (Ad Te Levavi), 9th Sunday after Trinity, etc.).

Among the various Hymnals consulted for this edition were: the 1868 *Church Book,* the 1893 *Church Book,* the 1899 *Book of Worship,* the 1913 *Lutheran Hymnary,* the 1918 *Common Service Book,* and the 1941 *Lutheran Hymnal.*

It is with thanks to God and with deep humility that this resource is presented to the Brethren in the Holy Ministry. May this publication be of benefit to all who labor in the Vineyard of the Lord.

In Him Who has Redeemed Us, Rev. Robbie H. Osmundson August 10, 2009

2014 Annotated Edition

This Annotated Edition corrects some of the errors found in the first drafts and includes added notes and references. Also included in this edition are a collection of Confessions along with verses of forgiveness and assurance that may be used for the Confession part of the Liturgy. May this work continue to benefit all who may use it.

Soli Deo Gloria!

The Church Calendar Year



Advent and Triumph (depicting the life of Christ) by Hans Memling (1480)

1st Sunday in Advent (Ad Te Levavi) Liturgical Color: Purple or Blue

THE COLLECT

(H) Stir up, we beseech Thee, Thy power, O Lord, and come, that by Thy protection we may be rescued from the threatening perils of our sins, and saved by Thy mighty deliverance; who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

(VD) Lord God, heavenly Father, we thank Thee, we bless and praise Thee forever, that Thou didst send Thy Son to rule over us poor sinners, who for our transgressions did justly deserve to remain in the bondage of sin and Satan, and didst give us in Him a meek and righteous King, who by His death became our Savior from sin and eternal death: We beseech Thee so to enlighten, govern and direct us by Thy Holy Spirit, that we may ever remain faithful to this righteous King and Savior, and not, after the manner of the world, be offended with His humble form and despised word, but, firmly believing in Him, obtain eternal salvation; through the same, Thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (Psalm 25:1-4)

Unto Thee, O Lord do I lift up my soul: O my God, I trust in Thee; Let me not be ashamed: Let not mine enemies triumph over me; Yea, let none that wait on Thee be ashamed. Show me Thy ways, O Lord: teach me Thy paths. Glory be to the Father >>>

THE PERICOPES

(H) Old Testament: Jeremiah 33:14-18 Epistle: Romans 13:11-14 Gospel: Matthew 21:1-9
 (SL) Epistle: Colossians 1:12-23 Gospel: Luke 1:1-25

THE GRADUAL (Psalm 25:3-4; 85:7)

ALL they that wait for Thee shall not be ashamed, O Lord. Show me Thy ways, O LORD: teach me Thy paths. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Show us Thy mercy, O LORD: and grant us Thy salvation. Hallelujah.

THE HALLEUJAH (Psalm 25:6)

Hallelujah! Remember, O LORD, Thy compassion and Thy loving-kindnesses, for they have been from of old. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, whose way John the Baptist prepared, proclaiming Him the Messiah, the very Lamb of God, and calling sinners to repentance, that they might escape from the wrath to be revealed when He cometh again in glory. >>>

2nd Sunday in Advent (Populus Zion) Liturgical Color: Purple or Blue

THE COLLECT

(H) Stir up our hearts, O Lord, to make ready the way of Thine only-begotten Son, so that by His coming we may be enabled to serve Thee with pure minds; who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

(VD) Lord God, heavenly Father, who by Thy Son hast revealed to us that heaven and earth shall pass away, that our bodies shall rise again, and that we all shall appear before the judgment seat: We beseech Thee, keep us by Thy Holy Spirit in Thy word; establish us in the true faith, graciously defend us from sin and preserve us in all temptations, that our hearts may not be overcharged with surfeiting and drunkenness, and cares of this life, but that we may ever watch and pray and, trusting fully in Thy grace, await with joy the glorious coming of Thy Son, and at last obtain eternal salvation, through Thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (Isaiah 30:29, 30; 62:11; 80:1)

Daughter of Zion: behold thy salvation cometh. The Lord shall cause His glorious voice to be heard: and ye shall have gladness of heart. Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel: Thou that leadest Joseph like a flock. Glory be to the Father. >>>

THE PERICOPES

(H) Old Testament: Micah 4:1-7 Epistle: Romans 15: 4-13 Gospel: Luke 21:25-36 (SL) Epistle: Romans 2:1-16 Gospel: Luke 1:26-35

THE GRADUAL (Psalm 50:2-3, 5; 122:1-2)

OUT of Zion the perfection of beauty God hath shined: our God shall come. Gather my saints together unto Me: those that have made a covenant with Me by sacrifice. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. I was glad when they said unto me: let us go into the house of the LORD. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Our feet shall stand within thy gates: Jerusalem. Hallelujah.

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 25:6)

Hallelujah! Remember, O LORD, Thy compassion and Thy loving-kindnesses, for they have been from of old. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, whose way John the Baptist prepared, proclaiming Him the Messiah, the very Lamb of God, and calling sinners to repentance, that they might escape from the wrath to be revealed when He cometh again in glory. >>>

3rd Sunday in Advent (Gaudete) Liturgical Color: Purple or Blue

THE COLLECT

(H). Lord, we beseech Thee, give ear to our prayers, and lighten the darkness of our hearts, by Thy gracious visitation; who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

(VD) Lord God, heavenly Father, who didst suffer Thy Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, to become man, and to come into the world, that He might destroy the works of the devil, deliver us poor offenders from sin and death, and give us everlasting life: We beseech Thee so to rule and govern our hearts by Thy Holy Spirit, that we may seek no other refuge than His word, and thus avoid all offense to which, by nature, we are inclined, in order that we may always be found among the faithful followers of Thy Son, Jesus Christ, and by faith in Him obtain eternal salvation, through the same, Thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (Philippians 4:4-6; Psalm 85:1)

Rejoice in the Lord always: and again I say, Rejoice. Let your moderation be known unto all men: the Lord is at hand. Be careful for nothing: but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. O Lord, Thou hast been favorable unto Thy land: Thou hast brought back the captivity of Jacob. Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES

(H) Old Testament: Malachi 3:1-6 Epistle: 1 Corinthians 4:1-5 Gospel: Matthew 11:2-10 (SL) Epistle: Romans 1:16-25 Gospel: Luke 1:39-56

THE GRADUAL (Psalm 80:1-2; 40:17)

THOU that dwellest between the Cherubim, shine forth: stir up Thy strength and come. Give ear, Shepherd of Israel: Thou that leadest Joseph like a flock. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Stir up Thy strength: and come and save us. Hallelujah.

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 25:6)

Hallelujah! Remember, O LORD, Thy compassion and Thy loving-kindnesses, for they have been from of old. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, whose way John the Baptist prepared, proclaiming Him the Messiah, the very Lamb of God, and calling sinners to repentance, that they might escape from the wrath to be revealed when He cometh again in glory. >>>

4th Sunday in Advent (Rorate Coeli) Liturgical Color: Purple or Blue

THE COLLECT

(H) Stir us, O Lord, we beseech Thee, Thy power, and come, and with great might succor us, that by the help of Thy grace whatsoever is hindered by our sins may be speedily accomplished, through Thy mercy and satisfaction; who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

(VD) Lord God, heavenly Father, it is meet and right that we should give thanks unto Thee, that Thou hast given us a more glorious baptism than that of John the Baptist, and hast therein promised us the remission of sins, the Holy Spirit, and everlasting life through Thy Son, Jesus Christ: Preserve us, we beseech Thee, in such faith in Thy grace and mercy, that we may never doubt Thy promise, but be comforted by the same in all temptations: and grant us Thy Holy Spirit that we may renounce sin, and ever continue in the righteousness bestowed upon us in baptism, until by Thy grace we obtain eternal salvation, through the same, Thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (Isaiah 45:8; Psalm 19:1)

Drop down, ye heavens, from above: and let the skies pour down righteousness: Let the earth open: and bring forth salvation. The heavens declare the glory of God: and the firmament shows His handiwork. Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES

(H) Old Testament: Isaiah 40:1-8 Epistle: Philippians 4: 4-7 Gospel, John 1:19-28 (SL) Epistle: Hebrews 12:15-29 Gospel: Luke 1:67-80

THE GRADUAL (Psalm 145:18, 21; 70:5)

THE Lord is nigh unto all them that call upon Him: to all that call upon Him in truth. My mouth shall speak the praise of the LORD: and let all flesh bless His Holy Name. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Thou art my help and my deliverer: make no tarrying, my God. Hallelujah.

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 25:6)

Hallelujah! Remember, O LORD, Thy compassion and Thy loving-kindnesses, for they have been from of old. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, whose way John the Baptist prepared, proclaiming Him the Messiah, the very Lamb of God, and calling sinners to repentance, that they might escape from the wrath to be revealed when He cometh again in glory. >>>

Eve of the Nativity of Our Lord (Dec 24) Liturgical Color: White

THE COLLECT

(H) O GOD, Who hast made this most holy night to shine with the brightness of the true Light: Grant, we beseech Thee, that as we have known on earth the mysteries of that Light, we may also come to the fullness of His joys in heaven; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever One God, world without end. Amen

THE INTROIT (Liturgical Text; Exodus 16:7; Psalm 24:1)

Today thou shalt know that the Lord will come and deliver thee: and in the morning thou shalt see the glory of the Lord. The earth is the Lord's, and the fullness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein. Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES

(H) Old Testament: Isaiah 7:10-14 Epistle: Titus 2: 11-14 Gospel: Luke 2:1-14 (SL) Epistle: Hebrews 1:1-12 Gospel: John 1:1-14

THE GRADUAL (Psalm 110:3, 1; 2:7)

THY people shall be willing in the day of Thy power: in the beauties of holiness from the womb of the morning. The LORD said unto my Lord, Sit Thou at My right hand: until I make Thine enemies Thy footstool. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. The LORD hath said unto Me, Thou art My Son: this day have I be gotten Thee. Hallelujah.

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 96:11; 98:2)

Hallelujah! Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad before the Lord: for He hath made known His salvation. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> For in the mystery of the Word made flesh, Thou hast given us a new revelation of Thy glory, that, seeing Thee in the person of Thy Son, we may be drawn to the love of those things which are not seen. >>>

Note: this is noted as the Earlier Service in some Hymnals, Later editions have it as Christmas Eve Vigil.. Note: The use of a Candlelight Service may be used in lieu of the traditional service.

The Nativity of Our Lord (Christmas Day) Liturgical Color: White

THE COLLECT

(H) Grant, we beseech Thee, almighty God, that the new birth of Thine only begotten Son in the flesh may set us free who are held in the old bondage under the yoke of sin, through the same, Thy Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

(VD) Lord God, heavenly Father, we give thanks unto Thee, that of Thy mercy and compassion Thou didst suffer Thy dear Son to become incarnate, and didst through Him redeem us from sin and everlasting death: We beseech Thee, enlighten our hearts by Thy Holy Spirit, that we may ever be thankful for such grace, and comfort ourselves with the same in all tribulation and temptation, and at last obtain eternal salvation through the same, Thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (Isaiah 9:6; 98:1)

Unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given; and the government shall be upon His shoulder. And His name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, the Mighty God: the Everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace. O sing unto the Lord a new song: for He hath done marvelous things. Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES

(H) Old Testament: Micah 5:2-4 Epistle: Titus 3:4-7 Gospel: Luke 2:15-20 (SL) Epistle: 1 John 4:7-16 Gospel: John 1:15-18

THE GRADUAL (*Psalm 110:3, 1; 2:7*)

THY people shall be willing in the day of Thy power: in the beauties of holiness from the womb of the morning. The LORD said unto my Lord, Sit Thou at My right hand: until I make Thine enemies Thy footstool. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. The LORD hath said unto Me, Thou art My Son: this day have I begotten Thee. Hallelujah.

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 96:11; 98:2)

Hallelujah! Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad before the Lord: for He hath made known His salvation. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> For in the mystery of the Word made flesh, Thou hast given us a new revelation of Thy glory, that, seeing Thee in the person of Thy Son, we may be drawn to the love of those things which are not seen. >>>

Note: This is noted as the Later Service in some Hymnals, some as Christmas Day.

Sunday after Christmas Liturgical Color: White

THE COLLECT

(H) Almighty and everlasting God, direct our actions according to Thy good pleasure, that in the name of Thy beloved Son, we may be made to abound in good works; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

(VD) O almighty and everlasting God, mercifully direct our ways, that we may walk in Thy law, and be made to abound in good works: through Thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (*Psalm* 93:5, 2, 1)

Thy testimonies are very sure: holiness becometh Thine house, O Lord, forever. Thy throne is established of old: Thou art from everlasting. The Lord reigneth, He is clothed with majesty: the Lord is clothed with strength, wherewith He hath girded Himself. Glory be to the Father >>>

THE PERICOPES

(H) Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 11:1-5 Epistle: Galatians 4:1-7 Gospel: Luke 2: 33-40 (SL) Epistle: 1 John 4:7-16 Gospel: John 1:15-18

THE GRADUAL (*Psalm 45:1–2; 93:1*)

THOU art fairer than the children of men : grace is poured into Thy lips. My heart is inditing a good matter, I speak of the things which I have made touching the King: my tongue is the pen of a ready writer. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. The LORD reigneth, He is clothed with majesty: the LORD is clothed with strength, wherewith He hath girded Himself. Hallelujah.

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 96:11; 98:2)

Hallelujah! Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad before the Lord: for He hath made known His salvation. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

New Year's Eve Liturgical Color: White

THE COLLECT

(H) Almighty and everlasting God, from whom cometh down every good and perfect gift: We give Thee thanks for all Thy benefits, temporal and spiritual, bestowed upon us in the year past, and we beseech Thee of Thy goodness, grant us a favorable and joyful year, defend us from all dangers and adversities, and send upon us the fullness of Thy blessing; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

(VD) O Lord God, who, for our sakes, hast made Thy blessed Son our Savior subject to the law, and caused Him to endure the circumcision of the flesh: Grant as the true circumcision of the spirit, that our hearts may be pure from all sinful desires and lusts; through the same, Thy Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (*Psalm 8:1,4*; *Isaiah 63:16*)

O Lord, our Lord, how excellent is Thy name in all the earth: Who hast set Thy glory above the heavens. What is man that Thou art mindful of him: and the son of man that Thou visits him? Thou, O Lord, art our Father and our Redeemer: from everlasting is Thy name. Glory be to the Father, ~~~

THE PERICOPES

(SL) Old Testament: Isaiah 63:7-18 Epistle: 1 Peter 1:22-25 Gospel: Luke 13:6-10

THE GRADUAL (Psalm 98:3-4, 2; Hebrews 1:1)

ALL the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God: make a joyful noise unto the LORD, all the earth. The LORD hath made known His salvation: His righteousness hath He openly showed in the sight of the heathen. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. God, Who of old time spake in divers ways unto the fathers by the prophets: hath in these last days spoken unto us by His Son. Hallelujah.

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 96:11; 98:2)

Hallelujah! Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad before the Lord: for He hath made known His salvation. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

Circumcision and Name of Jesus (New Year's Day) Liturgical Color: White

THE COLLECT

(H) Almighty and everlasting God, from whom cometh down every good and perfect gift: We give Thee thanks for all Thy benefits, temporal and spiritual, bestowed upon us in the year past, and we beseech Thee of Thy goodness, grant us a favorable and joyful year, defend us from all dangers and adversities, and send upon us the fullness of Thy blessing; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

(VD) O Lord God, who, for our sakes, hast made Thy blessed Son our Savior subject to the law, and caused Him to endure the circumcision of the flesh: Grant as the true circumcision of the spirit, that our hearts may be pure from all sinful desires and lusts; through the same, Thy Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (*Psalm 8:1,4*; *Isaiah 63:16*)

O Lord, our Lord, how excellent is Thy name in all the earth: Who hast set Thy glory above the heavens. What is man that Thou art mindful of him: and the son of man that Thou visits him? Thou, O Lord, art our Father and our Redeemer: from everlasting is Thy name. Glory be to the Father, ~~~

THE PERICOPES

(H) Old Testament: Isaiah 55:1-13 Epistle: Galatians 3:23-29 Gospel: Luke 2:21 (SL) Epistle: James 4:13-17 Gospel: Luke 4:16-21

THE GRADUAL (Psalm 98:3-4, 2; Hebrews 1:1)

ALL the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God: make a joyful noise unto the LORD, all the earth. The LORD hath made known His salvation: His righteousness hath He openly showed in the sight of the heathen. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. God, Who of old time spake in divers ways unto the fathers by the prophets: hath in these last days spoken unto us by His Son. Hallelujah.

THE HALLELUJAH (*Psalm* 96:11; 98:2)

Hallelujah! Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad before the Lord: for He hath made known His salvation. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

Sunday after New Year's Liturgical Color: White

THE COLLECT

(H). O Lord God, heavenly Father, who didst suffer Thy dear Son, Jesus Christ, to become a stranger and a sojourner in Egypt for our sakes, and didst lead Him safely home to His fatherland: Mercifully grant that we poor sinners, who are strangers and sojourners in this perilous world, may soon be called home to our true fatherland, the kingdom of heaven, where we shall live in eternal joy and glory; through the merits of Thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

(VD) O Lord God, heavenly Father, who didst suffer Thy dear Son, Jesus Christ, to become a stranger and a sojourner in Egypt for our sakes, and didst lead Him safely home to His fatherland: Mercifully grant that we poor sinners, who are strangers and sojourners in this perilous world, may soon be called home to our true fatherland, the kingdom of heaven, where we shall live in eternal joy and glory; through the merits of Thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen

THE INTROIT (*Psalm* 93:5, 2, 1)

Thy testimonies are very sure: holiness becometh Thine house, O Lord, forever. Thy throne is established of old: Thou art from everlasting. The Lord reigneth, He is clothed with majesty: the Lord is clothed with strength, wherewith He hath girded Himself. Glory be to the Father >>>

THE PERICOPES

(H) Old Testament: Isaiah 42:1-9 Epistle: 1 Peter 4:12-19 Gospel: Matthew 2:19-23 (SL) Epistle: Romans 3:19-22 Gospel: Matthew 3:1-12

THE GRADUAL (*Psalm 45:2, 1; 93:1*)

THOU art fairer than the children of men: grace is poured into Thy lips. My heart is inditing a good matter, I speak of the things which I have made touching the King: my tongue is the pen of a ready writer. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. The LORD reigneth, He is clothed with majesty: the LORD is clothed with strength, wherewith He hath girded Himself. Hallelujah.

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 96:11; 98:2)

Hallelujah! Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad before the Lord: for He hath made known His salvation. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

The Epiphany of Our Lord (Epiphany)

Liturgical Color: White

THE COLLECT

(H) O God, who, by the leading of a star, didst manifest Thy only-begotten Son to the Gentiles: Mercifully grant that we, who know Thee now by faith, may after this life have the fruition of Thy glorious Godhead; through the same, Thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

(VD) Lord God, heavenly Father, who hast given us the light of Thy holy word, the guiding star, which leadeth us to the Christ-child: Send, we beseech Thee, Thy Holy Spirit into our hearts, that we may receive this light and make use of it unto our salvation, and that we, like the wise men, when they were seeking the star, may not be afraid because of any hardship or peril, but put all our trust in Thine only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, as our only Savior; devote our earthly possessions to the advancement of Thy kingdom, and in all things serve Him, Thine only begotten Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (Liturgical Text***; Psalm 72:1)

Behold the Lord, the Ruler hath come: and the kingdom, and the power, and the glory are in His hand. Give the King Thy judgments, O God; and Thy righteousness unto the King's Son. Glory be to the Father >>>

THE PERICOPES

(H) Old Testament: Isaiah 49:1-7 Epistle: Isaiah 60:1-6 Gospel: Matthew 2:I-12 (SL) Epistle: Romans 3:23-31 Gospel: Matthew 3:13-17

THE GRADUAL (Isaiah 60:6, 1; Matthew 2:2)

ALL they from Sheba shall come; they shall bring gold and incense: and they shall show forth the praises of the LORD. Arise, and shine, Jerusalem: for the glory of the LORD is risen upon thee. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. We have seen His star in the East: and we have come with our gifts to worship the LORD. Hallelujah.

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 117:1-2)

Hallelujah! Oh praise the Lord, all ye nations, and laud Him, all ye people. For His merciful kindness is great toward us: and the truth of the Lord endureth forever. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> And now do we praise Thee that Thou didst send unto us Thine only-begotten Son and that in Him, being found in fashion as a man, Thou didst manifest the fullness of Thy glory. Therefore, >>>

Note: Known also as the Festival of the Three Kings (Magi). *Note Liturgical Text:* First part seems to be parts of Isaiah 40:10 combined with Matthew 6:13

1st Sunday After Epiphany * (See Note) Liturgical Color: White

THE COLLECT

(H) O Lord, we beseech Thee mercifully to receive the prayers of Thy people who call upon Thee; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfill the same; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

(VD) Lord God, heavenly Father, who in mercy hast established the Christian home among us: We beseech Thee so to rule and direct our hearts, that we may be good examples to children and servants, and not offend them, by word or deed, but faithfully teach them to love Thy Church and hear Thy blessed word. Give them Thy Spirit and grace, that this seed may bring forth good fruit, so that our home life may conduce to Thy glory, honor and praise, to our own improvement and welfare, and give offense to no one; through the same, Thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (Isaiah 6:1; Revelation 19:6; Psalm 100:1)

I saw also the Lord sitting upon a throne: high and lifted up. And I heard the voice of a great multitude, saying, Hallelujah: for the Lord God Omnipotent reigneth. Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands: serve the Lord with gladness. Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES

(H) Old Testament: Isaiah 61:1-3 Epistle: Romans 12:1-5 Gospel: Luke 2:41-52 (SL) Epistle: Ephesians 6:1-4 Gospel: Mark 10:13-16

THE GRADUAL (*Psalm 72:18-19, 3; 100:1*)

BLESSED be the LORD God, the God of Israel, Who only doeth wondrous things: and blessed be His glorious Name forever. The mountains shall bring peace to Thy people: and the hills righteousness. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Make a joyful noise unto the LORD, all ye lands: serve the LORD with gladness. Hallelujah.

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 117:1)

Hallelujah! Oh praise the Lord, all ye nations, and laud Him, all ye people. For His merciful kindness is great toward us: and the truth of the Lord endureth forever. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> And now do we praise Thee that Thou didst send unto us Thine only-begotten Son and that in Him, being found in fashion as a man, Thou didst manifest the fullness of Thy glory. Therefore, >>>

Note: In recent times, the move to celebrate the Baptism of Jesus occurs on this Sunday. Originally celebrated on January 13th, other dates used have been January 6th and January 8th. See page 103 if using the Baptism of Jesus instead of the Historical Epiphany 1.

2nd Sunday after Epiphany Liturgical Color: Green

THE COLLECT

(H) Almighty and everlasting God, who dost govern all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of Thy people, and grant us Thy peace all the days of our life; through Thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

(VD) Lord God, Heavenly Father, we thank Thee, that of Thy grace Thou hast instituted holy matrimony, in which Thou keepest us from unchastity, and other offenses: We beseech Thee to send .Thy blessing upon every husband and wife, that they may not provoke each other to anger and strife, but live peaceably together in love and godliness, receive Thy gracious help in all temptations, and rear their children in accordance with Thy will; grant unto us all to walk before Thee, in purity and holiness, to put all our trust in Thee, and lead such lives on earth, that in the world to come we may have everlasting life, through the same, Thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, wholiveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (Psalm 66:4, 92:1)

All the earth shall worship Thee: and shall sing unto Thee, O God. They shall sing untoThy name: O Thou Most Highest. Oh, Make a joyful noise unto God, all ye lands: sing forth the honor of His name, make His praise glorious. Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES

 (H) Old Testament: Deuteronomy 18:15-19 Epistle: Romans12:6-16* Gospel: John 2:1-11 Note: * End with "men of low estate"
 (SL) Epistle: Ephesians 5:21-33 Gospel: Luke 19:1-10

THE GRADUAL (Psalm 107:20–21)

HE sent His Word and healed them: and delivered them from their destructions. Oh that men would praise the LORD for His goodness: and for His wonderful works to the children of men. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Praise ye Him, all His angels: praise ye Him, all His hosts. Hallelujah.

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 117:1)

Hallelujah! Oh praise the Lord, all ye nations, and laud Him, all ye people. For His merciful kindness is great toward us: and the truth of the Lord endureth forever. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> And now do we praise Thee that Thou didst send unto us Thine only-begotten Son and that in Him, being found in fashion as a man, Thou didst manifest the fullness of Thy glory. Therefore, >>>

3rd Sunday after Epiphany Liturgical Color: Green

THE COLLECT

(H) Almighty and everlasting God, mercifully look upon our infirmities, and in all our dangers and necessities stretch forth the right hand of Thy majesty, to help and defend us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

(VD) O almighty and everlasting God, mercifully look upon our infirmities, and in all dangers and necessities stretch forth Thy mighty hand, to defend us against our enemies; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (*Psalm* 97:7 **, 8, 1)

Worship Him, all ye His angels: Zion heard and was glad. The daughters of Judah rejoiced: because of Thy judgments, O Lord. The Lord reigneth, let the earth rejoice, let the multitude of isles be glad thereof. Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES

(H) Old Testament: Jeremiah 33:6-9 Epistle: Romans12: 16-21* Gospel, Matthew 8: 1-13
 Note: * Begin "Be not wise in your own conceits"
 (SL) Epistle: Hebrews 11:1-16 Gospel: Luke 17:5-10

THE GRADUAL (*Psalm 102:1, 16; 97:1*)

SO the heathen shall fear the Name of the LORD: and all the kings of the earth Thy glory. When the LORD shall build up Zion: He shall appear in His glory. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. The LORD reigneth; let the earth rejoice: let the multitude of isles be glad thereof. Hallelujah.

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 117:1)

Hallelujah! Oh praise the Lord, all ye nations, and laud Him, all ye people. For His merciful kindness is great toward us: and the truth of the Lord endureth forever. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> And now do we praise Thee that Thou didst send unto us Thine only-begotten Son and that in Him, being found in fashion as a man, Thou didst manifest the fullness of Thy glory. Therefore, >>>

** **Note: Psalm 97:7** *"Worship Him, all you gods." Barne's Commentary says"* Worship him, all ye gods - Hebrew, ביהלא 'Elohiym. The Septuagint and the Vulgate render this, "all his angels." The original word איסיל 'Elohiym is that which is commonly applied to the true God." (See Hebrews 1:6 "And let all the angels of God worship him.")

4th Sunday after Epiphany Liturgical Color: Green

THE COLLECT

(H) Almighty God, who knowest us to be set in the midst of so many and great dangers, that by reason of the frailty of our nature we cannot always stand upright: Grant to us such strength and protection as may support us in all dangers, and carry us through all temptations: through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

(VD) Lord God, heavenly Father, who in Thy divine wisdom and fatherly goodness makest Thy children to bear the cross, and sendest divers afflictions upon us to subdue the flesh, and quicken our hearts unto faith, hope and unceasing prayer: We beseech Thee to have mercy upon us, and graciously deliver us out of our trials and afflictions, so that we may perceive Thy grace and Fatherly help, and with all saints forever praise and worship Thee; through Thy dear Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (*Psalm* 97:7 **, 8, 1)

Worship Him, all ye His angels: Zion heard and was glad. The daughters of Judah rejoiced: because of Thy judgments, O Lord. The Lord reigneth, let the earth rejoice, let the multitude of isles be glad thereof. Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES

(H) Old Testament: Isaiah 43:1-3 Epistle: Romans 13:8-10 Gospel: Matthew 8:23-27 (SL) Epistle: Romans 4:16-25 Gospel: Matthew 14:22-33

THE GRADUAL (*Psalm 102:1, 16; 97:1*)

SO the heathen shall fear the Name of the LORD: and all the kings of the earth Thy glory. When the LORD shall build up Zion: He shall appear in His glory. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. The LORD reigneth; let the earth rejoice: let the multitude of isles be glad thereof. Hallelujah.

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 117:1)

Hallelujah! Oh praise the Lord, all ye nations, and laud Him, all ye people. For His merciful kindness is great toward us: and the truth of the Lord endureth forever. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> And now do we praise Thee that Thou didst send unto us Thine only-begotten Son and that in Him, being found in fashion as a man, Thou didst manifest the fullness of Thy glory. Therefore, >>>

** **Note: Psalm 97:7** *"Worship Him, all you gods." Barne's Commentary says"* Worship him, all ye gods - Hebrew, ביהלא 'Elohiym. The Septuagint and the Vulgate render this, "all his angels." The original word איסיל 'Elohiym is that which is commonly applied to the true God." (See Hebrews 1:6 "And let all the angels of God worship him.")

5th Sunday after Epiphany Liturgical Color: Green

THE COLLECT

(H) O Lord, we beseech Thee to keep Thy Church and Household continually in Thy true religion; that they who do lean only upon the hope of Thy heavenly grace may evermore be defended by Thy mighty power; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

(VD) Lord God, heavenly Father, we thank Thee, that Thou hast sown the good seed, Thy holy word, in our hearts: We pray Thee that by Thy Holy Spirit Thou wilt cause this seed to grow and bring forth fruit, and defend us from the enemy, that he may not sow tares therein. Keep us from carnal security, help us in all temptations, and give us at last eternal salvation; through Thy beloved Son, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (*Psalm* 97:7 **, 8, 1)

Worship Him, all ye His angels: Zion heard and was glad. The daughters of Judah rejoiced: because of Thy judgments, O Lord. The Lord reigneth, let the earth rejoice, let the multitude of isles be glad thereof. Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES

(H) Old Testament: Jeremiah 17:5-10 Epistle: Colossians 3:12-17 Gospel: Matthew 13:24-30 (SL) Epistle: 1 Corinthians 3:3-23 Gospel: Matthew13:44-52

THE GRADUAL (*Psalm 102:1, 16; 97:1*)

SO the heathen shall fear the Name of the LORD: and all the kings of the earth Thy glory. When the LORD shall build up Zion: He shall appear in His glory. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. The LORD reigneth; let the earth rejoice: let the multitude of isles be glad thereof. Hallelujah.

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 117:1)

Hallelujah! Oh praise the Lord, all ye nations, and laud Him, all ye people. For His merciful kindness is great toward us: and the truth of the Lord endureth forever. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> And now do we praise Thee that Thou didst send unto us Thine only-begotten Son and that in Him, being found in fashion as a man, Thou didst manifest the fullness of Thy glory. Therefore, >>>

** **Note: Psalm 97:7** *"Worship Him, all you gods." Barne's Commentary says"* Worship him, all ye gods - Hebrew, ביהלא 'Elohiym. The Septuagint and the Vulgate render this, "all his angels." The original word איסיל 'Elohiym is that which is commonly applied to the true God." (See Hebrews 1:6 "And let all the angels of God worship him.")

The Transfiguration of our Lord / 6th Sunday After Epiphany Liturgical Color: White

THE COLLECT

(H) O God, who in the glorious transfiguration of Thy only-begotten Son hast confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the testimony of the fathers, and who, in the voice that came from the bright cloud, didst in a wonderful manner foreshow the adoption of sons; Mercifully vouchsafe to make us co-heirs with the King of His glory, and bring us to the enjoyment of the same; through the same, our Lord Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with Thee arid the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

(VD) O merciful and everlasting God, heavenly Father: We thank Thee that Thou hast revealed unto us the glory of Thy Son, and let the light of Thy gospel shine upon us: We pray Thee, guide us by this light that we may walk diligently as Christians in all good works, ever be strengthened by Thy grace, and conduct our lives In all godliness; through the same, Thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (*Psalm* 77:18; 84:1-2)

The lightnings lightened the world: the earth trembled and shook. How amiable are Thy tabernacles, O Lord of Hosts: My soul longeth, yea, even fainteth for the courts of the Lord. Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES

(H) Old Testament: Isaiah 61:10-11 Epistle: 2 Peter 1:16-21 Gospel: Matthew 17:1-9 (SL) Epistle: 2 Corinthians 4:5-6 Gospel: Matthew 11:25-27

THE GRADUAL (Psalm 45:2, 110:1; 96:2-3)

THOU art fairer than the children of men: grace is poured into Thy lips. The LORD said unto my Lord, Sit Thou at My right hand: until I make Thine enemies Thy footstool. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Sing unto the LORD, bless His Name; show forth His salvation from day to day: Declare His glory among all people. Hallelujah.

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 117:1)

Hallelujah! Oh praise the Lord, all ye nations, and laud Him, all ye people. For His merciful kindness is great toward us: and the truth of the Lord endureth forever. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> And now do we praise Thee that Thou didst send unto us Thine only-begotten Son and that in Him, being found in fashion as a man, Thou didst manifest the fullness of Thy glory. Therefore, >>>

Note: Always the Last Sunday in Epiphany.

Septuagesima Sunday Liturgical Color: Green

THE COLLECT

(H) O Lord, we beseech Thee favorably to hear the prayers of Thy people: That we, who are justly punished for our offenses, may be mercifully delivered by Thy goodness, for the glory of Thy name; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Savior, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

(VD) Lord God, heavenly Father, who through Thy holy word hast called us Into Thy vineyard: Send, we beseech Thee, Thy Holy Spirit into our hearts, that we may labor faithfully in Thy vineyard, shun sin and all offense, obediently keep Thy word and do Thy will, and put our whole and only trust In Thy grace, which Thou hast bestowed upon us so plenteously through Thy Son Jesus Christ, that we may obtain eternal salvation through Him, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (*Psalm 18:4-6; 1-2*)

The sorrows of death compassed me; the sorrows of hell compassed me about. In my distress, I called upon the Lord; and He heard my voice out of His temple. I will love Thee, O Lord my Strength: the Lord is my Rock and my Fortress! Glory be to the Father, ~~~

THE PERICOPES

(H) OT: Jeremiah 1:4-10 Epistle: 1 Corinthians 9:24 -10:5 Gospel: Matthew. 20:1-16 (SL) Epistle: Acts 17:22-34 Gospel: Matthew 25:14-30

THE GRADUAL (Psalm 9:9-10; 18-19; 130:1-2)

THE LORD also will be a refuge for the oppressed, a refuge in times of trouble: and they that know Thy Name will put their trust in Thee; for Thou, LORD, hast not forsaken them that seek Thee. For the needy shall not alway be forgotten: the expectation of the poor shall not perish forever. Arise, LORD; let not man prevail. Out of the depths have I cried unto Thee, O LORD: LORD, hear my voice.

THE TRACT (Psalm 130:1-4)

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord! O Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for mercy! If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand? But with you there is forgiveness, that you may be feared.

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> And now do we praise Thee that Thou didst send unto us Thine only-begotten Son and that in Him, being found in fashion as a man, Thou didst manifest the fullness of Thy glory. Therefore, >>>

Sexagesima Sunday Liturgical Color: Green

THE COLLECT

(H) O God, who seest that we put not our trust in anything that we do: Mercifully grant, that by Thy power we may be defended against all adversity; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen. Or you may use:

(VD) Lord God, heavenly Father, we thank Thee, that through Thy Son Jesus Christ Thou hast sown Thy holy word among us: We pray that Thou wilt prepare our hearts by Thy Holy Spirit, that we may diligently and reverently hear Thy word, keep It in good hearts, and bring forth fruit with patience; and that we may not incline to sin, but subdue it by Thy power, and in all persecutions comfort ourselves with Thy grace and continual help, through Thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (*Psalm* 44:23-26, 1)

Awake, why sleepest Thou, O Lord?: Arise, cast us not off forever. Wherefore hidest Thou Thy face: and forgettest our afflictions? Our soul is bowed down to the dust: arise for our help and redeem us. We have heard with our ears, O God: our fathers have told us what work Thou didst in their days. Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES

(H) OT: Isaiah 55:10-13 Epistle: 2 Corinthians 11:19 to 12:9 Gospel: Luke 8:4-15 (SL) Epistle: 2 Tim. 3:10 to 4:5 Gospel: Mark 4:26-32

THE GRADUAL (*Psalm 83:18,13; 60:4*)

LET the nations know that Thy Name is Jehovah: Thou alone art the Most High over all the earth. My God, make them like a wheel: and like chaff before the wind. Thou hast given a banner to them that fear Thee: that it may be displayed because of the truth.

THE TRACT (Psalm 60:1-2, 5)

O God, thou hast cast us off, thou hast scattered us, thou hast been displeased; O turn thyself to us again. Thou hast made the earth to tremble; thou hast broken it: heal the breaches thereof; for it shaketh. That thy beloved may be delivered; save with thy right hand, and hear me!

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> And now do we praise Thee that Thou didst send unto us Thine only-begotten Son and that in Him, being found in fashion as a man, Thou didst manifest the fullness of Thy glory. Therefore, >>>

Quinquagesima Sunday Liturgical Color: Green

THE COLLECT

(H) O Lord, we beseech Thee, mercifully hear our prayers, and, having set us free from the bonds of sin, defend us from all evil; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

(VD) Lord God, heavenly Father, who didst manifest Thyself, with the Holy Ghost, in the fullness of grace at the baptism of Thy dear Son, and with Thy voice didst direct us to Him who hath borne our sins, that we might receive grace and the remission of sins: Keep us, we beseech Thee, in the true faith; and inasmuch as we have been baptized in accordance with Thy command, and the example of Thy dear Son, we pray Thee to strengthen our faith by Thy Holy Spirit, and lead us to everlasting life and salvation, through Thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen

THE INTROIT (Psalm 31:2-3, 1)

Be Thou my strong Rock: for an house of defense to save me. Thou art my Rock and my Fortress: therefore for Thy name's sake lead me and guide me. In Thee, O Lord, do I put my trust; let me never be ashamed: deliver me in Thy righteousness. Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES

(H) Old Testament: Isaiah 35:3-7 Epistle: 1 Corinthians 13:1-13 Gospel: Luke 18:31-43 (SL) Epistle:1 Peter 3:18-22 Gospel: John 12:23-36

THE GRADUAL (*Psalm* 77:14-15; 100:1-2)

THOU art the God that doest wonders: Thou hast declared Thy strength among the peoples. Thou hast with Thine arm redeemed Thy people: the sons of Jacob and Joseph. Make a joyful noise unto the LORD, all ye lands: serve the LORD with gladness.

THE TRACT (Psalm 100:1-3)

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.

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> And now do we praise Thee that Thou didst send unto us Thine only-begotten Son and that in Him, being found in fashion as a man, Thou didst manifest the fullness of Thy glory. Therefore, >>>

First Day of Lent / Ash Wednesday Liturgical Color: Black or Purple

THE COLLECT

(H) ALMIGHTY and Everlasting God, Who hatest nothing that Thou hast made, and dost forgive the sins of all those who are penitent: Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we, worthily lamenting our sins, and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of Thee, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever One God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (*Psalm 57:2, 1*)

I WILL cry unto God Most High: unto God that performeth all things for me. Yea, in the shadow of Thy wings will I make my refuge: until these calamities be overpast. Be merciful unto me, O God, be merciful unto me: for my soul trusteth in Thee. Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES

(H) OT: Joel 2:12-19 *or* Isaiah 59:12-21 Epistle: Joel 2:12-19 Gospel: Matthew 6:16-21 (SL) Epistle: 1 John 1:5-9 Gospel: Luke 6:20-49

THE GRADUAL (*Psalm 57:1, 3; 103:14; 79:9*)

BE merciful unto me, O God, be merciful unto me: for my soul trusteth in Thee. He shall send from heaven: and save me from the reproach of him that would swallow me up. LORD, deal not with us after our sins; nor reward us according to our iniquities: help us, O God of our salvation; for the glory of Thy Name.

THE SENTENCE (Philippians 2:8)

Christ hath humbled Himself and become obedient unto death: even the death of the Cross.

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> WHO on the Tree of the Cross didst give salvation unto mankind; that whence death arose, thence life also might rise again : and that he who by a tree once overcame, might likewise by a Tree be overcome, through Christ our Lord; through Whom with Angels, >>>

1st Sunday in Lent (Invocavit) Liturgical Color: Purple

THE COLLECT

(H) O Lord, mercifully hear our prayer, and stretch forth the right hand of Thy majesty to defend us from them that rise up against us, through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen. Or you may use:

(VD) Lord God, heavenly Father, inasmuch as the adversary doth continually afflict us, and as a roaring lion doth walk about, seeking to devour us: We beseech Thee for the sake of the suffering and death of Thy Son, Jesus Christ, to help us by the grace of the Holy Spirit, and to strengthen our hearts by Thy word, that our enemy may not prevail over us, but that we may evermore abide in Thy grace, and be preserved unto everlasting life; through the same, Thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (*Psalm* 91:15-16, 1)

He shall call upon me, and I will answer him: I will deliver him and honor him. I satisfy him With long life will: and show him my salvation. He that dwelleth in the secret place of the Most High: shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES

(H) Old Testament: Genesis 3:1-24 Epistle: 2 Corinthians 6:1-10 Gospel: Matthew 4:1-11 (SL) Epistle: Isaiah 1:2-15 Gospel. Luke 22:24-32

THE GRADUAL (Psalm 91:11-12, 1)

FOR He shall give His angels charge over thee: to keep thee in all thy ways. They shall bear thee up in their hands: lest thou dash thy foot against a stone. He that dwelleth in the secret place of the Most High: shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.

THE SENTENCE (Philippians 2:8)

Christ hath humbled Himself and become obedient unto death: even the death of the Cross.

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> WHO on the Tree of the Cross didst give salvation unto mankind; that whence death arose, thence life also might rise again: and that he who by a tree once overcame, might likewise by a Tree be overcome, through Christ our Lord; through Whom with Angels, >>>

2nd Sunday in Lent (Reminiscere) Liturgical Color: Purple

THE COLLECT

(H) O God, who seest that of ourselves we have no strength: Keep us both outwardly and inwardly; that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

(VD) Lord God, heavenly Father, grant us, we beseech Thee, by Thy Holy Spirit, that He may strengthen our hearts and confirm our faith and hope in Thy grace and mercy, so that, although we have reason to fear because of our conscience, our sin, and our unworthiness, we may nevertheless, with the woman of Canaan, hold fast to Thy grace, and in every trial and temptation find Thee a very present help and refuge, through Thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (*Psalm* 25:6, 2, 1-2)

Remember, O Lord, Thy tender mercies and Thy loving-kindnesses: for they have been ever of old. Let not mine enemies triumph over me: God of Israel, deliver us out of all our troubles. Unto Thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul: O my God, I trust in Thee; let me not be ashamed. Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES

(H) OT: Isaiah 45:20-25 Epistle: 1 Thessalonians 4:1-7 Gospel: Matthew 15:21-28 (SL) Epistle: James. 5:13-20 Gospel: Mark 9:17-29

THE GRADUAL (*Psalm* 25:17–18; 136:1)

THE troubles of my heart are enlarged: bring Thou me out of my distresses. Look upon mine affliction and my pain: and forgive all my sins. Give thanks unto the LORD; for He is good: for His mercy endureth forever.

THE SENTENCE (Philippians 2:8)

Christ hath humbled Himself and become obedient unto death: even the death of the Cross.

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> WHO on the Tree of the Cross didst give salvation unto mankind; that whence death arose, thence life also might rise again : and that he who by a tree once overcame, might likewise by a Tree be overcome, through Christ our Lord; through Whom with Angels, >>>

3rd Sunday in Lent (Oculi) Liturgical Color: Purple

THE COLLECT

(H) We beseech Thee, almighty God, look upon the hearty desires of Thy humble servants, and stretch forth the right hand of Thy majesty to be our defense against all our enemies; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

(VD) Lord God, heavenly Father, who hast sent Thy Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, to take upon Himself our flesh, that He might overcome the devil, and defend us poor sinners against the adversary: We give thanks unto Thee for Thy merciful help, and we beseech Thee to attend us with Thy grace in all temptations, to preserve us from carnal security, and by Thy Holy Spirit to keep us in Thy word and Thy fear, that unto the end we may be delivered from the enemy, and obtain eternal salvation, through the same, Thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (*Psalm* 25:15-16, 1-2)

Mine eyes are ever toward the Lord: for He shall pluck my feet out of the net. Turn Thee unto me, and have mercy upon me: for I am desolate and afflicted. Unto Thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul: O my God, I trust in Thee; let me not be ashamed. Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES

(H) Old Testament: 2 Samuel 22:1-7 Epistle: Ephesians 5:1-9 Gospel: Luke 11:14-28 (SL) Epistle: Revelation 2:1-7 Gospel: John 8:42-51

THE GRADUAL (Psalm 9:19, 3; 123:1, 3)

ARISE, LORD; let not man prevail: let the heathen be judged in Thy sight. When mine enemies are turned back: they shall fall and perish at Thy presence. Unto Thee lift I up mine eyes, O Thou that dwellest in the heavens: have mercy upon us, O LORD, have mercy upon us.

THE SENTENCE (Philippians 2:8)

Christ hath humbled Himself and become obedient unto death: even the death of the Cross.

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> WHO on the Tree of the Cross didst give salvation unto mankind; that whence death arose, thence life also might rise again : and that he who by a tree once overcame, might likewise by a Tree be overcome, through Christ our Lord; through Whom with Angels, >>>

4th Sunday in Lent (Laetare) Liturgical Color: Purple

THE COLLECT

(H) Grant, we beseech Thee, almighty God, that we, who for our evil deeds do worthily deserve to be punished, by the comfort of Thy grace may mercifully be relieved; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

(VD) Lord God, heavenly Father, who by Thy Son didst feed five thousand men In the desert with five loaves and two fishes: We beseech Thee to abide graciously also with us in the fullness of Thy blessing. Preserve us from avarice and the cares of this life, that we may seek first Thy kingdom and Thy righteousness, and in all things perceive Thy fatherly goodness, through Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (Isaiah 66:10; Psalm 122:1)

Rejoice ye with Jerusalem, and be glad with her: all ye that love her. Rejoice for joy with her: all ye that mourn for her. I was glad when they said unto me: Let us go into the house of the Lord. Glory be to the Father

THE PERICOPES

(H) Old Testament: Isaiah 49:8-13 Epistle: Galatians 4: 21-31 Gospel: John 6:1-15 (SL) Epistle: 2 Peter 1:2-11 Gospel: John 6:36-51

THE GRADUAL (*Psalm 122:1, 7; 125:1*)

I WAS glad when they said unto me: Let us go into the house of the LORD. Peace be within thy walls: and prosperity within thy palaces. They that trust in the LORD shall be as Mount Zion: which cannot be removed, but abideth forever.

THE SENTENCE (Philippians 2:8)

Christ hath humbled Himself and become obedient unto death: even the death of the Cross.

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> WHO on the Tree of the Cross didst give salvation unto mankind; that whence death arose, thence life also might rise again: and that he who by a tree once overcame, might likewise by a Tree be overcome, through Christ our Lord; through Whom with Angels, >>>

5th Sunday in Lent (Judica)

Liturgical Color: Purple

THE COLLECT

(H) WE beseech Thee, Almighty God, mercifully to look upon Thy people, that by Thy great goodness they may be governed and preserved ever more, both in body and soul; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever One God, world with out end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (Psalm 43:1-3)

JUDGE me, O God: and plead my cause against an ungodly nation. O deliver me from the deceitful and unjust man: for Thou art the God of my strength. O send out Thy light and Thy truth: let them lead me; let them bring me unto Thy holy hill. Glory be to the Father, >>>

Pericopes

(H) Old Testament: Genesis 12:1-3 Epistle: Hebrews 9:11-15 Gospel: John 8:46-59 (SL) Epistle: 1 Corinthians 1:21-31 Gospel: Matthew 10:22-42

THE GRADUAL (Psalm 143:9-10, 18:48; 129:1-2)

DELIVER me, O LORD, from mine enemies: teach me to do Thy will. He delivereth me from mine enemies; yea, Thou liftest me up above those that rise up against me: Thou hast delivered me from the violent man. Many a time have they afflicted me from my youth. May Israel now say: many a time have they afflicted me from my youth. Yet they have not prevailed against me.

THE SENTENCE (Philippians 2:8)

Christ hath humbled Himself and become obedient unto death: even the death of the Cross.

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> WHO on the Tree of the Cross didst give salvation unto mankind; that whence death arose, thence life also might rise again : and that he who by a tree once overcame, might likewise by a Tree be overcome, through Christ our Lord; through Whom with Angels, >>>

Palm Sunday / Passion Sunday (Palmarum)

Liturgical Color: Purple or Scarlet

THE COLLECT

(H) Almighty and everlasting God, who hast sent Thy Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ, to take upon Him our flesh, and to suffer death upon the cross, that all mankind should follow the example of His great humility: Mercifully grant that we may both follow the example of His patience, and also be made partakers of His resurrection; through the same, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

(VD) Almighty and everlasting God, who hast caused Thy beloved Son to take our nature upon Himself, that He might give all mankind the example of humility and suffer death upon the cross for our sins: Mercifully grant us a believing knowledge of this, and that, following the example of His patience, we may be made partakers of the benefits of His sacred passion and death, through the same, Thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (*Psalm 22:19, 21, 1*)

Be not Thou far from me, O Lord: O my Strength, haste Thee to help me. Save me from the lion's mouth: and deliver me from the horns of the unicorns. My God, my God, why hast Thou forsaken me?: Why art Thou so far from helping me? Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES

(H) Old Testament: Zechariah 9:9-10 Epistle: Philippians 2:5-11 Gospel: Matthew 21:1-9 (SL) Epistle: Hebrews 12:1-11 Gospel: Mark 14:3-9

THE GRADUAL (*Psalm* 73:23–24, 22:1, 4)

THOU hast holden me by my right hand: Thou shalt guide me with Thy counsel, and afterward receive me to glory. Truly God is good to Israel: even to such as are of a clean heart. My God, my God why hast Thou forsaken me: why art Thou so far from helping me? Our fathers trusted in Thee: they cried unto Thee and were delivered.

THE SENTENCE (*Philippians 2:8*)

Christ hath humbled Himself and become obedient unto death: even the death of the Cross.

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> WHO on the Tree of the Cross didst give salvation unto mankind; that whence death arose, thence life also might rise again : and that he who by a tree once overcame, might likewise by a Tree be overcome, through Christ our Lord; through Whom with Angels, >>>

Note: The Gloria in Excelsis is omitted. The Hallelujah is replaced by the Sentence. **Note:** Also known as 6th Sunday in Lent

Note: Violet has been the historical Liturgical color, Scarlet is of more recent usage.

Holy Thursday (Maudy Thursday) Liturgical Color: Violet

THE COLLECT

(H) O LORD God, Who hast left unto us in a wonderful Sacrament a memorial of Thy Passion: Grant, we beseech Thee, that we may so use this Sacrament of Thy Body and Blood, that the fruits of Thy redemption may continually be manifest in us; Who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, ever One God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

(VD) O Lord Jesus Christ, we thank Thee, that of Thine infinite mercy Thou hast instituted this Thy sacrament, in which we eat Thy body and drink Thy blood: Grant us, we beseech Thee, by Thy Holy Spirit, that we may not receive this gift unworthily, but that we may confess our sins, remember Thine agony and death, believe the forgiveness of sin, and day by day grow in faith and love, until we obtain eternal salvation through Thee, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (Galatians 6:14; Liturgical Text)

God forbid that I should glory: save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ. In Him is salvation, life and resurrection from the dead: by Him we are redeemed and set at liberty. God be merciful unto us and bless us: and cause His face to shine upon us.

THE PERICOPES

(H) Old Testament: Exodus 12:1-14 Epistle: 1 Corinthians 11:23-32 Gospel: John 13:1-15 (SL) Epistle: 1 Corinthians10:16-17 Gospel: Luke 22:14-20

THE GRADUAL (*Philippians 2:8-9*)

CHRIST hath humbled Himself, and become obedient unto death: even the death of the Cross. Wherefore God also hath highly exalted Him: and given Him a Name which is above every name.

THE SENTENCE (*Philippians 2:8*)

Christ hath humbled Himself and become obedient unto death: even the death of the Cross.

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> WHO on the Tree of the Cross didst give salvation unto mankind; that whence death arose, thence life also might rise again: and that he who by a tree once overcame, might likewise by a Tree be overcome, through Christ our Lord; through Whom with Angels, >>>

Note: The Independent Lutheran Diocese encourages the Seder Service before the Maudy Thursday Service and stripping of the Altar. (Upon entering the nave, silence should be observed to allow all the opportunity to prayerfully prepare for the presence of the Lord and the reception of His gifts)

Note: All elements of the Divine Liturgy are spoken, not chanted or sung, during our Daily Holy Week Services. The Gloria Patri (usually found within the Introit), the Gloria in Excelsis, the Alleluia and Verse, the Offertory, and all Hymns are Omitted.

Note: Violet has been the historical color, but White or Scarlet of recent usage.
Good Friday Liturgical Color: Black, No Color

THE COLLECT

(H) ALMIGHTY God, we beseech Thee graciously to behold this Thy family, for which our Lord Jesus Christ was contented to be betrayed, and given up into the hands of wicked men, and to suffer death upon the Cross; through the same Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever One God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

(VD) Almighty and everlasting God, who hast willed that Thy Son should bear for us the pains of the cross, that Thou mightest remove from us the power of the adversary; Help us to remember and give thanks for our Lord's passion that we may obtain remission of sin and redemption from everlasting death; through the same, our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

THE INTROIT (Isaiah 53:4-6; Psalm 102:1))

Surely He hath borne our griefs and carried our sorrows: He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities. All we like sheep have gone astray: and the Lord hath laid on Him the iniquity of us all. Hear my prayer, O Lord: and let my cry come unto Thee.

THE PERICOPES

(H) Old Testament: Isaiah 50:6-9 Epistle: Isaiah 52:13 to 53:12 Gospel: John 18:1 to 19:42 (SL) Epistle: Revelation 5:6-10 Gospel: John 18:1 to 19:42, or *The History of the Passion*.

THE GRADUAL (*Philippians 2:8, 9*)

CHRIST hath humbled Himself, and become obedient unto death: even the death of the Cross. Wherefore God also hath highly exalted Him: arid given Him a Name which is above every name.

THE SENTENCE (Philippians 2:8)

Christ hath humbled Himself and become obedient unto death: even the death of the Cross.

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> WHO on the Tree of the Cross didst give salvation unto mankind; that whence death arose, thence life also might rise again : and that he who by a tree once overcame, might likewise by a Tree be overcome, through Christ our Lord; through Whom with Angels, >>>

Note: Black has been the traditional Liturgical color with No Color being of modern usage.

Note: The Independent Lutheran Diocese encourages the use of the Tenebrae Service. Older and more primitive customs did not include Holy Communion as a part of the Good Friday Service. (Upon entering the nave, silence should be observed to allow all the opportunity to prayerfully prepare for the presence of the Lord and the reception of His gifts) All elements of the Divine Liturgy are spoken, not chanted or sung, during our Daily Holy Week Services. The Gloria Patri (usually found within the Introit), the Gloria in Excelsis, the Alleluia and Verse, the Offertory, and all Hymns are Omitted.

The Resurrection of our Lord (Easter Sunday) Liturgical Color: White or Gold

THE COLLECT

(H) Almighty God, who, through Thine only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, hast overcome death, and opened unto us the gate of everlasting life: We humbly beseech Thee, that, as Thou dost put into our minds good desires, so by Thy continual help we may bring the same to good effect; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

(VD) Lord God, heavenly Father, who didst deliver Thy Son for our offenses, and didst raise Him again for our justification: We beseech Thee, grant us Thy Holy Spirit, that He may rule and govern us according to Thy will; graciously keep us in the true faith; defend us from all sins, and after this life raise us unto eternal life, through the same, Thy beloved Son, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (Luke 24:2, 6-7; Hebrews 2:7)

He is risen, Hallelujah!: Why seek ye the Living among the dead? Hallelujah! Remember how He spake unto you, Hallelujah: the Son of Man must be crucified and the third day rise again. Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Thou crownedst Him with glory and honor: Thou madest Him to have dominion over the works of Thy hands. Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES

(H) Old Testament: Isaiah 52:13-15 Epistle: 1 Corinthians 5:6-8 Gospel: Mark 16:1-8 (SL) Epistle: 1Peter 1:3-12 Gospel: Matthew 28:1-8

THE GRADUAL (Psalm 118:24, 29; 1 Corinthians 5:7-8)

THIS is the day which the LORD hath made: we will rejoice and be glad in it. O give thanks unto the LORD for He is good: for His mercy endureth forever. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us. Let us keep the feast with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. Hallelujah.

THE HALLELUJAH (1 Corinthians 5:7)

Hallelujah! Christ, our Passover, is sacrificed for us. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> But chiefly are we bound to praise Thee for the glorious resurrection of Thy Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord; for He is the very Paschal Lamb which was offered for us and bath taken away the sins of the world; who by His death hath destroyed death and by His rising to life again hath restored to us everlasting life. Therefore, >>>

Note: Return to the full liturgy. *Note*: The liturgical color of Gold is of more recent usage.

1st Sunday after Easter (Quasimodo Geniti) Liturgical Color: White

THE COLLECT

(H) Grant, we beseech Thee, almighty God, that we who have celebrated the solemnities of the Lord's resurrection, may, by the help of Thy grace, bring forth the fruits thereof in our life and conversation; through the same, Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the .Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

(VD) Lord God, heavenly Father, we thank Thee, that of Thine, ineffable grace, for the sake of Thy Son, Thou hast given us the holy gospel, and hast instituted the holy sacraments, that through the same we may have comfort and forgiveness of sin: We beseech Thee, grant us Thy Holy Spirit, that we may heartily believe Thy word; and through the holy sacraments day by day establish our faith, until we at last obtain salvation through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (1 Peter 2:2; Psalms 81:8, 1)

As newborn babes: desire the sincere milk of the word. Hear, O my people, and I will testify unto Thee: O Israel, if thou wilt hearken unto me. Sing aloud unto God our strength: Make a joyful noise unto the God of Jacob. Glory be to the Father. >>>

THE PERICOPES

(H) Old Testament: Job 19:25-27 Epistle: 1 John 5: 4-10 Gospel: John 20:19-31 (SL) Epistle: 1 Peter 1:17 to 2:3 Gospel: John 21:15-19

THE GRADUAL (Matthew 28:2; John 20:26)

HALLELUJAH. Hallelujah. The angel of the LORD descended from heaven: and came and rolled back the stone from the door, and sat upon it. Hallelujah. After eight days when the doors were shut, came Jesus and stood in the midst of His disciples: and saith unto them, Peace be unto you. Hallelujah.

THE HALLELUJAH (1 Corinthians 5:7)

Hallelujah! Christ, our Passover, is sacrificed for us. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

2nd Sunday after Easter (Misericordias Domini) Liturgical Color: White

THE COLLECT

(H) God, who, by the humiliation of Thy Son, didst raise up the fallen world: Grant unto Thy faithful ones perpetual gladness, and those whom Thou hast delivered from the danger of everlasting death, do Thou make partakers of eternal joys; through the same, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

(VD) Lord God, heavenly Father, who of Thy fatherly goodness hast been mindful of us poor, miserable sinners, and hast given Thy beloved Son to be our shepherd, not only to nourish us by His word, but also to defend us from sin, death, and the devil: We beseech Thee, grant us Thy Holy Spirit, that, even as this Shepherd doth know us and succor us in every affliction, we also may know Him, and, trusting in Him, seek help and comfort in Him, from our hearts obey His voice, and obtain eternal salvation, through the same, Thy Son Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (*Psalm* 33:5-6, 1)

The earth is full of the goodness of the Lord. By the word of the Lord were the heavens made. Rejoice in the Lord O ye righteous: for praise is comely for the upright. Glory be to the Father >>>

THE PERICOPES

(H) Old Testament: Ezekiel 34:11-16 Epistle: 1 Peter 2:21-25 Gospel: John 10:11-16 (SL) Epistle: Hebrews 13:20-21 Gospel: John 5:22-30

THE GRADUAL (Luke 24:35; John 10:14)

HALLELUJAH. Hallelujah. Then was the Lord Jesus known of the disciples in the breaking of bread. Hallelujah. I am the Good Shepherd: and know my sheep, and am known of mine. Hallelujah.

THE HALLELUJAH (1 Corinthians 5:7)

Hallelujah! Christ, our Passover, is sacrificed for us. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

3rd Sunday after Easter (Jubilate) Liturgical Color: White

The Collect

(H) Almighty God, who showest to them that be in error the light of Thy truth, to the intent that they may return into the way of righteousness: Grant unto all them that are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion that they may eschew those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same: through our Lord, Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

(VD) Lord God, heavenly Father, who of Thy fatherly goodness dost suffer Thy children to come under Thy chastening rod here on earth, that we may be like unto Thine only-begotten Son in suffering and hereafter in glory: We beseech Thee, comfort us in temptations and afflictions by Thy Holy Spirit, that we may not fall into despair, but that we may continually trust in Thy Son's promise, that our trials will endure but a little while, and will then be followed by eternal joy; that we thus, in patient hope, may overcome all evil, and at last obtain eternal salvation, through the same, Thy Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (*Psalm 66:1-3*)

Make a joyful noise unto God, all ye lands: Sing forth the honor of His name; make His praise glorious. Say unto God, how terrible art Thou in Thy works: through the greatness of Thy power shall Thine enemies submit themselves unto Thee. Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES

(H) Old Testament: Lamentations 3:18-26 Epistle: 1 Peter 2:11-20 Gospel: John 16:16-23*
*Note: * End: "ye shall ask Me nothing"* (SL) Epistle: Hebrews 4:14-16 Gospel: John 14:1-11

THE GRADUAL (Psalms 111:9; Luke 24:46, 26)

HALLELUJAH. Hallelujah. The LORD hath sent redemption unto His people. Hallelujah. It behooved Christ to suffer, and to rise from the dead: and thus to enter into His glory. Hallelujah.

THE HALLELUJAH (1 Corinthians 5:7)

Hallelujah! Christ, our Passover, is sacrificed for us. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

4th Sunday after Easter (Cantate) Liturgical Color: White

THE COLLECT

(H) O God, who makest the minds of the faithful to be of one will: Grant unto Thy people that they may love what Thou commandest, and desire what Thou dost promise: that, among the manifold changes of this world, our hearts may there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

(VD) Lord God, heavenly Father, who didst through Thy Son promise us Thy Holy Spirit, that He should convince the world of sin, of righteousness, and of judgment: We beseech Thee, enlighten our hearts, that we may confess our sins, through faith in Christ obtain everlasting righteousness, and in all our trials and temptations retain this consolation, that Christ is Lord over the devil and death, and all things, and that He will graciously deliver us out of all our afflictions, and make us forever partakers of eternal salvation, through the same, Thy Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (*Psalm 98:1-2*)

O sing unto the Lord a new song: for He hath done marvellous things. The Lord hath made known His salvation: His righteousness He hath openly showed in the sight of the heathen. His right hand and His holy arm: hath gotten Him the victory. Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES

(H) Old Testament: Isaiah 12:1-6 Epistle: James 1:16-21 Gospel: John 16:5-15 (SL) Epistle: 2 Corinthians 5:14-21 Gospel: John 8:21-36

THE GRADUAL (Psalm 118:16; Romans 6:9)

HALLELUJAH. Hallelujah. The right hand of the LORD is exalted: the right hand of the LORD doeth valiantly. Hallelujah. Christ, being raised from the dead, dieth no more; death hath no more dominion over Him. Hallelujah.

THE HALLELUJAH (1 Corinthians 5:7)

Hallelujah! Christ, our Passover, is sacrificed for us. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

5th Sunday after Easter (Rogate) Liturgical Color: White

THE COLLECT

(H) O God, from whom all good things do come: Grant to us, Thy humble servants, that by Thy holy inspiration we may think those things that be right, and by Thy merciful guiding may perform the same; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

(VD) Lord God, heavenly Father, who through Thy Son didst promise us that whatsoever we ask in His name Thou wilt give us: We beseech Thee, keep us in Thy word, and grant us Thy Holy Spirit, that He may govern us according to Thy will; protect us from the power of the devil, from false doctrine and worship; also defend our lives against all danger; grant us Thy blessing and peace, that we may in all things perceive Thy merciful help, and both now and forever Braise and glorify Thee as our gracious Father, through our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (Isaiah 48:20; Psalm 66:1-2)

With the voice of singing declare ye, and tell this: utter it even to the end of the earth. Hallelujah! The Lord hath redeemed His servant Jacob: Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Make a joyful noise unto God, all ye lands: sing forth the honor of His name; make His praise glorious. Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES

 (H) Old Testament: Jeremiah 29:11-14 Epistle: James 1:22-27 Gospel: John 16:23-30* Note: * Begin "Verily, Verily, I say"
(SL) Epistle: Romans 8:24-28 Gospel: John 17:1-19

THE GRADUAL (Romans 6:9; John 16:28)

HALLELUJAH. Hallelujah. It behooved Christ to suffer, and to rise from the dead: and thus to enter into His glory. Hallelujah. I came forth from the Father, and am come into the world: again I leave the world, and go to the Father. Hallelujah.

THE HALLELUJAH (1 Corinthians 5:7)

Hallelujah! Christ, our Passover, is sacrificed for us. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

The Ascension of Our Lord (Thursday) Liturgical Color: White

THE COLLECT

(H) Grant, we beseech Thee, almighty God, that like as we do believe Thy only begotten Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ, to have ascended into the heavens, so may we also in heart and mind thither ascend, and with Him continually dwell, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

(VD) O Jesus Christ, Thou almighty Son of God, who art no longer in humiliation here on earth, but sittest at the right hand of Thy Father, Lord over all things: We beseech Thee, send us Thy Holy Spirit; give Thy Church pious pastors, preserve Thy word, control and restrain the devil and all who would oppress us; mightily uphold Thy kingdom, until all Thine enemies shall have been put under Thy feet, that we may hold the victory over sin, death, and the devil, through Thee, who livest and reignest with God the Father and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (Acts 1:11; Psalm 47:1)

Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven?: Hallelujah! This same Jesus which is taken up from you into heaven, shall come in like manner as ye have seen Him go into heaven: Hallelujah! Hallelujah! O clap your hands, all ye people: shout unto God with the voice of triumph. O Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES

(H) Old Testament: Isaiah 57:15 Epistle: Acts 1:1-11 Gospel: Mark 16:14-20 (SL) Epistle: Ephesians 1:3-14 Gospel: Luke 24:46-53

THE GRADUAL (Psalm 47:5; 68:18)

HALLELUJAH. Hallelujah. God is gone up with a shout: the LORD with the sound of a trumpet. Hallelujah. Thou hast ascended on high: Thou hast led captivity captive. Hallelujah.

THE HALLELUJAH (1 Corinthians 5:7)

Hallelujah! Christ, our Passover, is sacrificed for us. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who after His resurrection appeared openly to all His disciples and in their sight was taken up into heaven that He might make us partakers of His divine nature. Therefore, >>>

6th Sunday after Easter (Exaudi) Liturgical Color: White

THE COLLECT

(H) ALMIGHTY, Everlasting God, \. make us to have always a devout will towards Thee, and to serve Thy Majesty with a pure heart; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever One God, world with out end. Amen.

Or you may use:

(VD) Lord God, heavenly Father, we give thanks unto Thee, that through Thy Holy Spirit Thou hast appointed us to bear witness of Thy dear Son, our Lord Jesus Christ: We beseech Thee, inasmuch as the world cannot endure such testimony, and persecutes us in every way, grant us courage and comfort, that we may not be offended because of the cross, but continue steadfastly in Thy testimony, and be found always among those who know Thee and Thy Son, until we obtain eternal salvation through the same, Thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (*Psalm* 27:7-9; 27:1)

Hear, O Lord, when I cry with my voice: Hallelujah! When Thou saidst, seek ye my face; my heart said unto Thee, Thy face, Lord, will I seek: Hide not Thy face from me. Hallelujah! Hallelujah! The Lord is my Light, and my Salvation: whom shall I fear? Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES

Old Testament: Ezekiel 36:25-27 Epistle: 1 Peter 4:7-11* Gospel: John 15:26 to 16:4 Note: * Begin "Be ye therefore sober" (SL) Epistle: Romans 8:29-39 Gospel: John 17:20-26

THE GRADUAL (Psalm 47:8; John 14:18; 16:22)

HALLELUJAH. Hallelujah. God reigneth over the heathen: God sitteth upon the throne of His holiness. Hallelujah. I will not leave you comfortless: I go, and I will come again to you, and your heart shall rejoice. Hallelujah.

THE HALLELUJAH (1 Corinthians 5:7)

Hallelujah! Christ, our Passover, is sacrificed for us. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> But chiefly are we bound to praise Thee for the glorious resurrection of Thy Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord; for He is the very Paschal Lamb which was offered for us and hath taken away the sins of the world; who by His death hath destroyed death and by His rising to life again hath restored to us everlasting life. Therefore, >>>

Note: also known as the Sunday after the Ascension.

Pentecost (Whitsunday) Liturgical Color: Red

THE COLLECT

(H) O God, who didst teach the hearts of Thy faithful people, by sending to them the light of Thy Holy Spirit: Grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgment in all things, and evermore to rejoice in His holy comfort; through our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son, who with Thee and the Holy Ghost liveth and reigneth, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

(VD) O Lord Jesus Christ, Thou almighty Son of God: We beseech Thee, send Thy Holy Spirit into our hearts, through Thy word, that He may rule and govern us according to Thy will, comfort us in every temptation and misfortune, and defend us by Thy truth against every error, so that we may continue steadfast in the faith, increase in love and all good works, and firmly trusting in Thy grace, which through death Thou hast purchased for us, obtain eternal salvation, Thou who reignest, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (Wisdom of Solomon 1:7**; Psalm 68:3, 1)

The Spirit of the Lord filleth the world: Hallelujah! Let the righteous be glad; let them rejoice before God: yea, let them exceedingly rejoice. Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Let God arise; let His enemies be scattered: let them also that hate Him flee before Him. Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES

(H) Old Testament: Joel 2:28-32 Epistle: Acts 2:1-13 Gospel: John 14:23-31 (SL) Epistle: Ephesians 4:7-16 Gospel: John 14:15-21

THE GRADUAL (Psalm 104:30; Liturgical Text)

HALLELUJAH. Hallelujah. Thou sendest forth Thy Spirit, they are created: and Thou renewest the face of the earth. Hallelujah. Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful: and kindle in them the fire of Thy love. Hallelujah.

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 104:30)

Hallelujah! Thou sendest forth Thy Spirit, they are created: and Thou renewest the face of the earth. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who ascended above the heavens and, sitting on Thy right hand, poured out on this day the Holy Spirit, as He had promised, upon the chosen disciples; whereat the whole earth rejoices with exceeding joy. Therefore, >>>

**Note: Wisdom of Solomon is found in the King James Version with Apocrypha of the Bible

The Holy Trinity / Trinity Sunday (Trinitas) Liturgical Color: White

THE COLLECT

(H) Almighty and everlasting God, who hast given unto us, Thy servants, grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of the divine majesty to worship the Unity: We beseech Thee, that Thou wouldst keep us steadfast in this faith, and evermore defend us from all adversities, who livest and reignest, one God, world without end. Amen

Or you may use:

(VD) O Lord God, heavenly Father: We poor sinners confess that in our flesh dwelleth no good thing, and that, left to ourselves, we die and perish in sin, since that which is born of the flesh is flesh and cannot see the kingdom of God. But we beseech Thee: Grant us Thy grace and mercy, and for the sake of Thy Son, Jesus Christ, send Thy Holy Spirit into our hearts, that being regenerate, we may firmly believe the forgiveness of sins, according to Thy promise in baptism; and that we may daily increase in brotherly love, and in other good works, until we at last obtain eternal salvation, through the same, Thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (Isaiah 6:3; Romans 11:36; Psalm 8:9)

Holy, Holy, Holy, is the Lord of Hosts: of Him, and through Him, and to Him, are all things. O Lord, our Lord: How excellent is Thy name in all the earth. Glory be to the Father, >>>

Or you may use: (Liturgical Text; Psalm 8:9)

BLESSED be the Holy Trinity, and the undivided Unity: Let us give glory to Him because He hath shown His mercy to us. O LORD, our Lord: how excellent is Thy Name in all the earth. Glory be to the Father, ~~~

THE PERICOPES

(H) Old Testament: Ezekiel 18:30-32 Epistle: Romans 11:33-36 Gospel: John 3:1-15 (SL) Epistle: 2 Corinthians 13:14 Gospel: Matthew 28:18-20

THE GRADUAL (Song of the Three Children, 32–34; Prayer of Azariah ***)

BLESSED art Thou, O LORD, Who beholdest the deep: and Who dwellest between the cherubim. Blessed art Thou, O LORD, in the firmament of heaven: and greatly to be praised, and glorified, and highly exalted forever. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Blessed art Thou, LORD God of our fathers: and greatly to be praised and glorified forever. Hallelujah.

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 119:124-125)

Hallelujah! O Lord, deal with Thy servant according unto Thy mercy and teach me Thy statutes. I am Thy servant, give me understanding: that I may know Thy testimonies. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> Who with Thine only-begotten Son and the Holy Ghost art one God, one Lord. And in the confession of the only true God, we worship the Trinity in Person and the Unity in substance, of Majesty coequal. >>>

*** **Note:** Song of the Three Children and the Prayer of Azariah is found in the King James Version with Apocrypha of the Bible, as additions to the Book of Daniel.

THE COLLECT

(H) O God, the strength of all them that put their trust in Thee: Mercifully accept our prayers; and because through the weakness of our mortal nature we can do no good thing without Thee, grant us the help of Thy grace, that in keeping Thy commandments we may please Thee, both in will and deed; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

(VD) Lord God, heavenly Father, we beseech Thee so to rule and govern our hearts by Thy Holy Spirit, that we may not, like the rich man, hear Thy word in vain, and become so devoted to things temporal as to forget things eternal; but that we readily and according to our ability minister to such as are In need, and not defile ourselves with surfeiting and pride; in trial and misfortune keep us from despair, and grant us to put our trust wholly in Thy fatherly help and grace, so that in faith and Christian patience we may overcome all things, through Thy Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (Psalm 13:5-6, 1)

O Lord, I have trusted in Thy mercy: my heart shall rejoice in Thy salvation. I will sing unto the Lord: He hath dealt bountifully with me. How long wilt Thou forget me, O Lord? How long wilt Thou hide Thy face from me? Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES

 (H) Old Testament: Jeremiah 9:23-24 Epistle: 1 John 4:16-21 Gospel: Luke 16:19-31* Note: * Begin "God is love"
(SL) Epistle: 1 Timothy 6:6-19 Gospel: Luke 12:13-21

THE GRADUAL (*Psalm 41:4,1; 7:1*)

I SAID, LORD be merciful unto me: heal my soul, for I have sinned against Thee. Blessed is He that considereth the poor: the LORD will deliver him in time of trouble. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. O LORD my God, in Thee do I put my trust: save me from all them that persecute me, and deliver me. Hallelujah.

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 119:124-125)

Hallelujah! O Lord, deal with Thy servant according unto Thy mercy and teach me Thy statutes. I am Thy servant, give me understanding: that I may know Thy testimonies. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

THE COLLECT

(H) O Lord, who never failest to help and govern those whom Thou dost bring up in Thy steadfast fear and love: Make us to have a perpetual fear and love of Thy holy name; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

(VD) Lord God, heavenly Father, we give thanks unto Thee, that through Thy holy word Thou hast called us to Thy great supper, and we beseech Thee: Quicken our hearts by Thy Holy Spirit, that we may not hear Thy word without fruit, but that we may prepare ourselves rightly for Thy kingdom, and not suffer ourselves to be hindered by any worldly care, through Thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (*Psalm 18:18-19, 1-2*)

The Lord was my stay; He brought me forth into a large place: He delivered me, because He delighted in me. I will love Thee, O Lord, my Strength: The Lord is my Rock and my Fortress. Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES

(H) Old Testament: Isaiah 25:6-9 Epistle: 1 John 3:13-18 Gospel: Luke 14:16-24 (SL) Epistle: Revelation 3:14-22 Gospel: Luke 14:25-35

THE GRADUAL (*Psalm 120:1-2; 7:17*)

IN my distress I cried unto the LORD: and he heard me. Deliver my soul, O LORD, from lying lips: and from a deceitful tongue. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. I will praise the LORD according to His righteousness: and will sing praise to the Name of the LORD Most High. Hallelujah.

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 119:124-125)

Hallelujah! O Lord, deal with Thy servant according unto Thy mercy and teach me Thy statutes. I am Thy servant, give me understanding: that I may know Thy testimonies. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

THE COLLECT

(H) O God, the protector of all that trust in Thee, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us Thy mercy; that. Thou being our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal that we finally lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

(VD) Lord God, heavenly Father, we all like sheep have gone astray, having suffered ourselves to be led away from the right path by Satan and our own sinful flesh: We beseech Thee graciously to forgive us all our sins for the sake of Thy Son, Jesus Christ; and quicken our hearts by Thy Holy Spirit, that we may abide in Thy word, and in true repentance and a steadfast faith continue in Thy Church unto the end, and obtain eternal salvation, through our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (Psalm 25:16,18)

Turn Thee unto me and have mercy upon me: for I am desolate and afflicted. Look upon mine afflictions and my pain: and forgive all my sins. Unto Thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul: O my God, I trust in Thee, let me not be ashamed. Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES

(H) Old Testament: Micah 7:18-20 Epistle: 1 Peter 5:6-11 Gospel: Luke 15:1-10 (SL) Epistle: Acts 9:1-18 Gospel: Luke 15:11-32

THE GRADUAL (*Psalm 55:22, 16, 18*)

CAST thy burden upon the LORD: and He shall sustain thee. I will call upon God; and the LORD shall save me: He hath delivered my soul in peace. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. I will love Thee, O LORD, my Strength: the LORD is my Rock, and my Fortress, and my Deliverer. Hallelujah.

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 119:124-125)

Hallelujah! O Lord, deal with Thy servant according unto Thy mercy and teach me Thy statutes. I am Thy servant, give me understanding: that I may know Thy testimonies. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

THE COLLECT

(H) Grant, O Lord, we beseech Thee, that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered by Thy governance that Thy Church may joyfully serve Thee in all godly quietness, through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.

Or you may use:

(VD) Lord God, heavenly Father, who art merciful, and through Christ didst promise us, that Thou wilt neither judge nor condemn us, but graciously forgive us all our sins, and abundantly provide for all our wants of body and soul: We pray Thee, that by Thy Holy Spirit Thou wilt establish in our hearts a confident faith in Thy mercy, and teach us also to be merciful to our neighbor, that we may not judge or condemn others, but willingly forgive all men, and, Judging only ourselves, lead blessed lives in Thy fear, through Thy dear Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (Psalm 27:1-3)

The Lord is my Light and my Salvation; whom shall I fear?: The Lord is the Strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid? When the wicked, even mine enemies and my foes came upon me; they stumbled and fell. Though an host should encamp against me: my heart shall not fear. Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES

(H) Old Testament: Isaiah 58:6-12 Epistle: Romans 8:18-23 Gospel: Luke 6:36-42 (SL) Epistle: Romans14:7-17 Gospel: Matthew 5:43-48

THE GRADUAL (*Psalm* 79:8, 10,9; 21:1)

FORGIVE our sins, O Lord: lest the heathen say Where is their God? Help us, O God of our salvation: and for the glory of Thy Name, deliver us. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. The king shall joy in Thy strength, O Lord : and in Thy salvation how greatly shall he rejoice! Hallelujah.

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 119:124-125)

Hallelujah! O Lord, deal with Thy servant according unto Thy mercy and teach me Thy statutes. I am Thy servant, give me understanding: that I may know Thy testimonies. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

THE COLLECT

(H) O God, who hast prepared for them that love Thee such good things as pass man's understanding: Pour into our hearts such love toward Thee, that we, loving Thee above all things, may obtain Thy promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

(VD) O Jesus Christ, Thou Son of the living God, who hast given us Thy holy word, and hast bountifully provided for all our temporal wants, we confess that we are unworthy of all these mercies, and that we have rather deserved punishment: But we beseech Thee, forgive us our sins, and prosper and bless us in our several callings, that by Thy strength we may be sustained and defended, now and forever, and so praise and glorify Thee eternally, Thou who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (*Psalm* 27:7, 9, 1)

Hear, O Lord, when I cry with my voice: Thou hast been my help. Leave me not, neither forsake me: O God of my salvation. The Lord is my Light and my Salvation: Whom shall I fear? Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES

 (H) Old Testament: Jeremiah 16:14-21 Epistle: 1 Peter 3: 8-15* Gospel: Luke 5:1-11 Note: * End "sanctify the Lord God in your hearts"
(SL) Epistle: 1 Peter 2:4-10 Gospel: Matthew 16:13-26

THE GRADUAL (*Psalm 84:9, 8; 7:1*)

BEHOLD, O God, our Shield: and look upon Thy servants. O LORD God of Hosts: hear our prayer. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. In Thee, O LORD, do I put my trust; let me never be ashamed: deliver me in Thy righteousness. Hallelujah.

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 119:124-125)

Hallelujah! O Lord, deal with Thy servant according unto Thy mercy and teach me Thy statutes. I am Thy servant, give me understanding: that I may know Thy testimonies. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

THE COLLECT

(H) Lord of all power and might, who art the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of Thy name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of Thy great mercy keep us in the same; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

(VD) Lord God, heavenly Father, we confess that we are poor, wretched sinners, and that there is no good in us, our hearts, flesh and blood being so corrupted by sin, that we never in this life can be without sinful lust and concupiscence; therefore we beseech Thee, dear Father, forgive us these sins, and let Thy Holy Spirit so cleanse our hearts that we may desire and love Thy word, abide by it, and thus by Thy grace be forever saved; through our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son. who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (Psalm 28:8-9, 1)

The Lord is the strength of His people: He is the saving strength of His anointed. Save thy people, and bless Thine inheritance: feed them also and lift them up forever. Unto Thee will I cry, O Lord, my Rock; be not silent unto me: lest If Thou be silent to me, I become like them that go down into the pit. Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES

(H) Old Testament: Exodus 20:1-17 Epistle: Romans 6:3-11 Gospel: Matthew 5:20-26 (SL) Epistle: Ephesians 2:4-10 Gospel: Matthew 19:16-30

THE GRADUAL (*Psalm 90:13, 1; 47:1*)

RETURN, O LORD, how long: and let it repent Thee concerning Thy servants. LORD, Thou hast been our dwelling place in all generations. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. O clap your hands, all ye people: shout unto God with the voice of triumph. Hallelujah.

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 119:124-125)

Hallelujah! O Lord, deal with Thy servant according unto Thy mercy and teach me Thy statutes. I am Thy servant, give me understanding: that I may know Thy testimonies. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

THE COLLECT

(H) O God, whose never-failing providence ordereth all things both in heaven and earth: We humbly beseech Thee to put away from us all hurtful things, and to give us those things which be profitable for us; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

(VD) Lord God, heavenly Father, who in the wilderness didst by Thy Son abundantly feed four thousand men besides women and children with seven loaves and a few small fishes: We beseech Thee, graciously abide among us with Thy blessing, and keep us from covetousness and the cares of this life, that we may seek first Thy kingdom and Thy righteousness, and in all things needful for body and soul, experience Thine ever present help; through Thy Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (Psalm 47:1,3)

O clap your hands, all ye people: Shout unto God with the voice of triumph. He shall subdue the people under us: and the nations under our feet. Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES

(H) Old Testament: Jeremiah 31:23-25 Epistle: Romans 6:19-23 Gospel: Mark 8:1-9 (SL) Epistle: Acts 14:8-23 Gospel: Matthew 10:24-31

THE GRADUAL (*Psalm 34:11, 5; 59:1*)

COME, ye children, hearken unto me: I will teach you the fear of the LORD. Look unto Him and be lightened: and let your faces not be ashamed. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Deliver me from mine enemies, O my God: defend me from them that rise up against me. Hallelujah.

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 119:124-125)

Hallelujah! O Lord, deal with Thy servant according unto Thy mercy and teach me Thy statutes. I am Thy servant, give me understanding: that I may know Thy testimonies. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

THE COLLECT

(H) Grant to us, Lord, we beseech Thee, the spirit to think and do always such things as are right, that we, who cannot do anything that is good without Thee, may by Thee be enabled to live according to Thy will; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use

(VD) Lord God, heavenly Father, we most heartily thank Thee that Thou hast caused us to come to the knowledge of Thy word. We pray Thee: graciously keep us steadfast in this knowledge unto death, that we may obtain eternal life; send us now ever pious pastors, who faithfully preach Thy word, without offense or false doctrine, and grant them long life. Defend us from all false teachings, and frustrate Thou the counsels of all such as pervert Thy word, who come to us in sheep's clothing, but are inwardly ravening wolves, that Thy true Church may evermore be established among us, and be defended and preserved from such false teachers, through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (*Psalm 48:9-10, 1*)

We have thought of Thy loving-kindness, O God: in the midst of Thy temple. According to Thy name, O God, so is Thy praise unto the ends of the earth: Thy right hand is full of righteousness. Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised: in the city of our God, in the mountain of His holiness. Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES

(H) Old Testament: Jeremiah 15:19-21 Epistle: Romans 8:12-17 Gospel: Matthew 7:15-23 (SL) Epistle: Acts 20:17-38 Gospel: Matthew 7:22-29

THE GRADUAL (*Psalm 119:124-125*)

BE Thou my strong rock: for a house of defense to save me. In Thee, O LORD, do I put my trust: let me never be ashamed. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. The LORD knoweth the way of the righteous: but the way of the ungodly shall perish. Hallelujah.

THE HALLELUJAH (*Psalm 119:65, 64, 66*)

Hallelujah! O Lord, deal with Thy servant according unto Thy mercy and teach me Thy statutes. I am Thy servant, give me understanding: that I may know Thy testimonies. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

THE COLLECT

(H) Let Thy merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of Thy humble servants; and, that they may obtain their petitions, make them to ask such things as shall please Thee; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who llveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

(VD) Lord God, heavenly Father, who hast bountifully given us Thy blessing and our daily bread: We beseech Thee, preserve us from covetousness, and so quicken our hearts that we willingly share Thy blessed gifts with our needy brethren; that we may be found faithful stewards of Thy gifts, and abide in Thy grace when we shall tie removed from our stewardship, and shall come before Thy judgment, through our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (Psalm 54:4-5, 1)

Behold God is mine Helper: The Lord is with them that uphold my soul. He shall reward evil unto mine enemies: Cut them off in Thy truth, O Lord. Save me, O God, by Thy name: and judge me by Thy strength. Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES

(H) OT: 1 Chronicles 29:10-13 Epistle: 1 Corinthians 10:6-13 Gospel: Luke 16:1-9 (SL) Epistle: Acts 14:8-23 Gospel: Luke 12:32-48

THE GRADUAL (Psalm 8:1; 78:1)

O LORD, our Lord, how excellent is Thy Name in all the earth: Who hast set Thy glory above the heavens. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Give ear, O my people, to my law: incline your ears to the words of my mouth. Hallelujah.

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 119:124-125)

Hallelujah! O Lord, deal with Thy servant according unto Thy mercy and teach me Thy statutes. I am Thy servant, give me understanding: that I may know Thy testimonies. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

THE COLLECT

(H) O God, who declarest Thine almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Mercifully grant unto us such a measure of Thy grace that we, running the way of Thy commandments, may obtain Thy gracious promises, and be made partakers of Thy heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

(VD) Almighty and everlasting God, who by Thy Holy Ghost hast revealed unto us the gospel of Thy Son, Jesus Christ: We beseech Thee so to quicken our hearts that we may sincerely receive Thy word, and not make light of it, or hear it without fruit, as did Thy people, the unbelieving Jews, but that we may fear Thee and daily grow in faith in Thy mercy, and finally obtain eternal salvation, through Thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (*Psalm 55:16, 18-19, 22, 1*)

As for me, I will call upon God; and He shall hear my voice: He hath delivered my soul in peace from the battle that was against me. God shall hear and afflict them; even He that abideth of old: Cast thy burden upon the Lord, and He shall sustain thee. Give ear to my prayer, O God: and hide not Thyself from my supplication. Glory be to the Father >>>

THE PERICOPES

(H) Old Testament: Jeremiah 7:1-7 Epistle: 1 Corinthians 12:1-11 Gospel: Luke19:41-48 (SL) Epistle: Hebrews 3:7-15 Gospel: Matthew 11:16-24

THE GRADUAL (Psalm 17:8, 2; 59:1)

KEEP me, Lord, as the apple of the eye: hide me under the shadow of Thy wings. Let my sentence come forth from Thy presence: let Thine eyes behold the things that are equal. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Deliver me from mine enemies, my God: defend me from them that rise up against me. Hallelujah.

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 119:124-125)

Hallelujah! O Lord, deal with Thy servant according unto Thy mercy and teach me Thy statutes. I am Thy servant, give me understanding: that I may know Thy testimonies. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

THE COLLECT

(H) Almighty and everlasting God, who art always more ready to hear, than we to pray, and art willing to give more than either we desire or deserve: Pour down upon us the abundance of Thy mercy, forgiving us those things whereof our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask, but through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

(VD) Lord God, Heavenly Father, we beseech Thee to guide and direct us by Thy Holy Spirit, that we may not forget our sins and be filled with pride, but continue in daily repentance and renewal, seeking our comfort only in the blessed knowledge that Thou wilt be merciful unto us, forgive us our sins, and grant us eternal life; through Thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (*Psalm* 68:5, 6, 35, 1)

God is In His holy habitation, He is God who setteth the solitary in families: The God of Israel is He that giveth strength and power unto His people. Let God arise, let His enemies be scattered: let them also that hate Him flee before Him. Glory be to the Father, ~~~

THE PERICOPES

(H) Old Testament: 2 Samuel 22:21-29 Epistle: 1 Corinthians 15:1-10 Gospel: Luke 18:9-14 (SL) Epistle: Romans 10:4-18 Gospel: Luke 7:36-50

THE GRADUAL (*Psalm 28:7, 1-2; 65:1*)

MY heart trusteth in God, and I am helped: therefore my heart greatly rejoiceth; and with my song will I praise Him. Unto Thee will I cry, O LORD my Rock : be not silent to me; hear the voice of my supplications. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Praise waiteth for Thee, O God, in Zion: and unto Thee shall the vow be performed. Hallelujah.

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 119:124-125)

Hallelujah! O Lord, deal with Thy servant according unto Thy mercy and teach me Thy statutes. I am Thy servant, give me understanding: that I may know Thy testimonies. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

THE COLLECT

(H) Almighty and merciful God, of whose only gift it cometh that Thy faithful people do unto Thee true and laudable service: Grant, we beseech Thee, that we may so faithfully serve Thee in this life that we fail not finally to attain Thy heavenly promises; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

(VD) Almighty and everlasting God, who hast created all things: We thank Thee that Thou hast given us sound bodies, and hast graciously preserved our tongues and other members from the power of the adversary: We beseech Thee, grant us Thy grace, that we may rightly use our ears and tongues; help us to hear Thy word diligently and devoutly, and with our tongues so to praise and magnify Thy grace, that no one shall be offended by our words, but that all may be edified thereby, through Thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (*Psalm 70:1-2*)

Make haste, O God, to deliver me: make haste to help me, O Lord. Let them be ashamed and confounded: that seek after my soul. Let them be turned backward, and put to confusion: that desire my hurt. Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES

(H) Old Testament: Isaiah 29:18-19 Epistle: 2 Corinthians 3:4-11 Gospel: Mark 7:31-37 (SL) Epistle: James 3:1-12 Gospel: Matthew 12:31-42

THE GRADUAL (*Psalm 34:1–2; 81:1*)

I WILL bless the LORD at all times: His praise shall continually be in my mouth. My soul shall make her boast in the Lord: the humble shall hear thereof and be glad. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Sing aloud unto God our Strength: make a joyful noise unto the God of Jacob. Hallelujah.

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 119:124-125)

Hallelujah! O Lord, deal with Thy servant according unto Thy mercy and teach me Thy statutes. I am Thy servant, give me understanding: that I may know Thy testimonies. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

THE COLLECT

(H) Almighty and everlasting God, give unto us the increase of faith, hope, and charity; and that we may obtain that which Thou dost promise, make us to love that which Thou dost command; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen

Or you may use:

(VD) Lord God, heavenly Father, we most heartily thank Thee that Thou hast granted us to live in this accepted time, when we may hear Thy holy gospel, know Thy fatherly will, and behold Thy Son, Jesus Christ! We pray Thee, most merciful Father: Let the light of Thy holy word remain with us, and so govern our hearts by Thy Holy Spirit, that we may never forsake Thy word, but remain steadfast in it, and finally obtain eternal salvation; through Thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (*Psalm* 74:20-23, 1)

Have respect, O Lord, unto Thy covenant: O let not the oppressed return ashamed. Arise, O God, plead Thine own cause: and forget not the voice of Thine enemies. O God, why hast Thou cast us off forever: Why doth Thine anger smoke against the sheep of Thy pasture? Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES

(H) Old Testament: Leviticus 18:1-5 Epistle: Galatians 3:15-22 Gospel: Luke 10:23-37 (SL) Epistle: 1 Timothy 1:5-17 Gospel: Matthew 20:20-28

THE GRADUAL (*Jeremiah 14:21; Psalm 74:21; 88:1*)

HAVE respect, O LORD, unto Thy covenant: let not the oppressed return ashamed. Arise, O God, plead Thine own cause: and forget not the voice of Thine enemies. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. O Lord God of my salvation: I have cried day and night before Thee. Hallelujah.

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 119:124-125)

Hallelujah! O Lord, deal with Thy servant according unto Thy mercy and teach me Thy statutes. I am Thy servant, give me understanding: that I may know Thy testimonies. Hallelujah!

The Proper Preface

THE COLLECT

(H) Keep, we beseech Thee, O Lord, Thy Church with Thy perpetual mercy; and, because the frailty of man without Thee cannot but fall, keep us ever by Thy help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

(VD) Lord God, heavenly Father, who by Thy blessed word and Thy holy baptism hast mercifully cleansed all who believe from the fearful leprosy of sin, and daily dost grant us Thy gracious help in all our need: We beseech Thee so to enlighten our hearts by Thy Holy Spirit, that we may never forget these Thy blessings, but ever live In Thy fear, and, trusting fully in Thy grace, with thankful hearts continually praise and glorify Thee; through Thy Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (*Psalm* 84:9-10; 84:1-2)

Behold, O God, our shield, and look upon the face of Thine Anointed: For a day in Thy courts is better than a thousand. How amiable are Thy tabernacles, O Lord of Hosts: My soul longeth, yea, even fainteth for the courts of the Lord. Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES

(H) Old Testament: Jeremiah 17:13-14 Epistle: Galatians 5:16-24 Gospel: Luke 17:11-19 (SL) Epistle: Acts 3:1-10 Gospel: John 5:1-15

THE GRADUAL (*Psalm 118:8-9; 90:1*)

IT is better to trust in the LORD: than to put confidence in man. It is better to trust in the LORD: than to put confidence in princes. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. LORD Thou hast been our dwelling place: in all generations. Hallelujah.

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 119:124-125)

Hallelujah! O Lord, deal with Thy servant according unto Thy mercy and teach me Thy statutes. I am Thy servant, give me understanding: that I may know Thy testimonies. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

THE COLLECT

(H) O Lord, we beseech Thee, let Thy continual pity cleanse and defend Thy Church: And because it cannot continue in safety without Thy succor, preserve it evermore by Thy help and goodness; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one- God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

(VD) Lord God, heavenly Father, we thank Thee for all Thy benefits: that Thou hast given us life and graciously sustained us unto this day: We beseech Thee, take not Thy blessing from us; preserve us from covetousness, that we may serve Thee only, love and abide in Thee, and not defile ourselves by idolatrous love of mammon, but hope and trust only in Thy grace, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (*Psalm 86:1-4*)

Bow down Thine ear, O Lord, hear me: O Thou, my God, save Thy servant that trusteth in Thee. Be merciful to me, O Lord: for I cry unto Thee daily. Rejoice the soul of Thy servant: for unto Thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul. Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES

(H) OT: Deuteronomy 6:4-7 Epistle: Galatians 5:25 to 6:10 Gospel: Matthew 6:24-34 (SL) Epistle: Acts 8:26-39 Gospel: Luke 10:38-42

THE GRADUAL (*Psalm 118:8–9; 108:1*)

IT is a good thing to give thanks unto the LORD: and to sing praises unto Thy Name, O Most High. To show forth Thy loving-kindness in the morning: and Thy faithfulness every night. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. O God, my heart is fixed: I will sing and give praise, ever with my glory. Hallelujah.

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 119:124-125)

Hallelujah! O Lord, deal with Thy servant according unto Thy mercy and teach me Thy statutes. I am Thy servant, give me understanding: that I may know Thy testimonies. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

THE COLLECT

(H) Lord, we pray Thee, that Thy grace may always go before and follow after us, and make us continually to be given to all good works; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

(VD) Lord God, heavenly Father, who didst send Thy Son to be made flesh, that by His death He might atone for our sins and deliver us from eternal death: We pray Thee, confirm in our hearts the hope that our Lord Jesus Christ, who with but a word raised the widow's son, in like manner will raise us on the last day, and grant us eternal life: through Thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (*Psalm 86:3, 5, 1*)

Be merciful unto me, O Lord: for I cry unto Thee daily. For Thou, O Lord, art good, and ready to forgive: and plenteous in mercy unto all them that call upon Thee. Bow down Thine ear, O Lord, hear me: for I am poor and needy. Glory be to the Father, ~~~

THER PERICOPES

(H) OT: Deuteronomy 32:39-40 Epistle: Ephesians 3:13-21 Gospel: Luke 7:11-17 (SL) Epistle: 1 Corinthians 15:21-28 Gospel: John 11:19-45

THE GRADUAL (*Psalm 102:15–16; 98:1*)

THE heathen shall fear the Name of the LORD: and all the kings of the earth Thy glory. When the LORD shall build up Zion: He shall appear in His glory. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. O sing unto the LORD a new song: for He hath done marvelous things. Hallelujah.

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 119:124-125)

Hallelujah! O Lord, deal with Thy servant according unto Thy mercy and teach me Thy statutes. I am Thy servant, give me understanding: that I may know Thy testimonies. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

THE COLLECT

(H) Lord, we beseech Thee, grant Thy people grace to withstand the temptations of the devil, and with pure hearts and minds to follow Thee, the only God; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son our Lord, who liveth aod reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

(VD) Lord God, heavenly Father: We beseech Thee so to guide and direct us by Thy Holy Spirit, that we may not exalt ourselves, but humbly fear Thee, with our whole hearts hear and keep Thy word, and hallow the Lord's day, that we also may be hallowed by Thy word; help us, first, to place our hope and confidence in Thy Son, Jesus Christ, who alone is our righteousness and Redeemer, and, then, so to amend and better our lives in accordance with Thy word, that we may avoid all offenses and finally obtain eternal salvation, through Thy grace in Christ, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (*Psalm* 119:137, 124, 1)

Righteous art Thou, O Lord, and upright are Thy judgments: Deal with Thy servant according to Thy mercy. Blessed are the undefiled in the way: who walk in the law of the Lord. Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES

(H) Old Testament: 1 Samuel 2:1-10 Epistle: Ephesians 4:1-6 Gospel: Luke 14:1-11 (SL) Epistle: Jude 20-25 Gospel: Mark 2:18-28

THE GRADUAL (*Psalm 33:12, 6; 116:1*)

BLESSED is the nation whose God is the LORD: and the people whom He hath chosen for His own inheritance. By the Word of the LORD were the heavens made: and all the host of them by the breath of His mouth. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. I love the LORD: because He hath heard my voice and my supplications. Hallelujah.

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 119:124-125)

Hallelujah! O Lord, deal with Thy servant according unto Thy mercy and teach me Thy statutes. I am Thy servant, give me understanding: that I may know Thy testimonies. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

THE COLLECT

(H) O God, forasmuch as without Thee we are not able to please Thee: Mercifully grant, that Thy Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule 'our hearts; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

(VD) Lord God, heavenly Father: We are poor, miserable sinners; we know Thy will, but cannot fulfill it because of the weakness of our flesh and blood, and because our enemy, the devil, will not leave us in peace. Therefore we beseech Thee, shed Thy Holy Spirit in our hearts, that, in steadfast faith, we may cling to Thy Son Jesus Christ, find comfort in His passion and death, believe the forgiveness of sin through Him, and in willing obedience to Thy will lead holy lives on earth, until by Thy grace, through a blessed death, we depart from this world of sorrow, and obtain eternal life, through Thy Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (Ecclesiasticus 36:16-17 ***; Psalm 122:1)

Reward them that wait for Thee, O Lord: and let Thy prophets be found faithful. Hear the prayer of Thy servants: and of Thy people Israel. I was glad when they said unto me: Let us go into the house of the Lord. Glory be to the Father >>>

THE PERICOPES

(H) OT: Deuteronomy 10:12-21 Epistle: 1 Corinthians 1:4-9 Gospel: Matthew 22:34-46 (SL) Epistle: 1 John 3:1-8 Gospel: John 15:1-17

THE GRADUAL (*Psalm 122:1, 7; 117:1*)

I WAS glad when they said unto me: Let us go into the house of the LORD. Peace be within Thy walls: and prosperity within Thy palaces. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. O praise the LORD, all ye nations: praise Him, all ye people. Hallelujah.

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 119:124-125)

Hallelujah! O Lord, deal with Thy servant according unto Thy mercy and teach me Thy statutes. I am Thy servant, give me understanding: that I may know Thy testimonies. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> Who with Thine only-begotten Son and the Holy Ghost art one God, one Lord. And in the confession of the only true God, we worship the Trinity in Person and the Unity in substance, of Majesty coequal. >>>

*** **Note**: Ecclesiasticus (Wisdom of Sirach) is found in the King James Version with Apocrypha of the Bible.

THE COLLECT

(H) O Almighty and most merciful God, of Thy bountiful goodness keep us, we beseech Thee, from all things that may hurt us; that we, being ready, both in body and soul, may cheerfully accomplish those things that Thou wouldest have done; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

(VD) O mighty and everlasting God, who by Thy Son Jesus Christ didst mercifully help the palsied man both in body and soul: We beseech Thee, for the sake of Thy great mercy: Be gracious also unto us; forgive us all our sins, and so govern us by Thy Holy Spirit, that we may not ourselves be the cause of sickness and other afflictions; keep us in Thy fear, and strengthen us by Thy grace that we may escape temporal and eternal wrath and punishment, through Thy Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (*Psalm* 35:3; 34:17; 48:14; 78:1)

Say unto my soul, I am thy salvation: The righteous cry, and the Lord heareth; He delivereth them out of their troubles: He is their God for ever and ever. Give ear, O my people, to my law: incline your ears to the words of my mouth. Glory be to the Father >>>

THE PERICOPES

(H) Old Testament: Isaiah 44:21-23 Epistle: Ephesians 4:22-28 Gospel: Matthew 9:1-8 (SL) Epistle: 1 Corinthians 12:12-27 Gospel: John 1:35-51

THE GRADUAL (*Psalm 141:2; 118:16*)

LET my prayer be set forth before Thee as incense: and the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. The right hand of the LORD is exalted: the right hand of the LORD doeth valiantly. Hallelujah.

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 119:124-125)

Hallelujah! O Lord, deal with Thy servant according unto Thy mercy and teach me Thy statutes. I am Thy servant, give me understanding: that I may know Thy testimonies. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

THE COLLECT

(H) Grant, we beseech Thee, merciful Lord, to Thy faithful people pardon and peace, that they may be cleansed from all their sins, and serve Thee with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

(VD) Lord God, heavenly Father: We thank Thee, that of Thy great mercy Thou hast called us by Thy holy word to the blessed marriage-feast of Thy Son, and through Him dost forgive us all our sins; but, being daily beset by temptation, offense, and danger, and being weak in ourselves and given to sin, we beseech Thee graciously to protect us by Thy Holy Spirit, that we fall not; and if we fall and defile our wedding-garment, with which Thy Son hath clothed us, graciously help us again and lead us to repentance, that we fall not forever; preserve in us a constant faith in Thy grace, through our Lord Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (Daniel 9: 14; Prayer of Azariah 1:20, 19 ***; Psalm 48:1)

The Lord our God is righteous in all His works which He doeth: for we obeyed not His voice. Give glory to Thy name, O Lord: and deal with us according to the multitude of Thy mercies: Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised: in the city of our God, in the mountain of His holiness. Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES

(H) Old Testament: Isaiah 65:1-2 Epistle: Ephesians 5:15-21 Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14 (SL) Epistle: Romans 11:25-32 Gospel: Matthew 21:28-44

THE GRADUAL (*Psalm* 145:15-16; 105:1)

THE eyes of all wait upon Thee O LORD: and Thou givest them their meat in due season. Thou openest Thine hand: and satisfiest the desire of every living thing. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. O give thanks unto the LORD; call upon His Name: make known His deeds among the people. Hallelujah.

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 119:124-125)

Hallelujah! O Lord, deal with Thy servant according unto Thy mercy and teach me Thy statutes. I am Thy servant, give me understanding: that I may know Thy testimonies. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> Who with Thine only-begotten Son and the Holy Ghost art one God, one Lord. And in the confession of the only true God, we worship the Trinity in Person and the Unity in substance, of Majesty coequal. >>>

*** **Note**: Prayer of Azariah is found in the King James Version with Apocrypha of the Bible an addition to the Book of Daniel.

THE COLLECT

(H) Lord, we beseech Thee to keep Thy household, the Church, in continual godliness; that through Thy protection it may be free from all adversities, and devoutly given to serve Thee in good works, to the glory of Thy name; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

(VD) Almighty and everlasting God, who by Thy Son hast promised us the forgiveness of sins, righteousness, and everlasting life: We beseech Thee, that Thou by Thy Holy Spirit so quicken our hearts, that we in daily prayer may seek our help in Christ against all temptations, and, constantly believing His promise, obtain that for which we pray, and at last be saved, through Thy Son Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (*Esther 13:9-11 ***; Psalm 119:1*)

The whole world is in Thy power, O Lord, King Almighty: there is no man that can gainsay Thee. For Thou hast made heaven and earth, and all the wondrous things under the heaven: Thou art Lord of all. Blessed are the undefiled in the way: who walk in the law of the Lord. Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES

(H) Old Testament: Hosea 13:14 Epistle: Ephesians 6:10-17 Gospel: John 4:46-54*
Note: * *Begin "And there was a certain nobleman"* (SL) Epistle: Revelation 3:7-13 Gospel: John 4:31-42

THE GRADUAL (*Psalm 90:1–2; 125:1*)

LORD Thou hast been our dwelling place: in all generations. Before the mountains were brought forth or ever Thou hadst formed the earth and the world: even from everlasting to everlasting, Thou art God. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. They that trust in the LORD shall be as Mount Zion: which cannot be removed, but abideth forever. Hallelujah.

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 119:124-125)

Hallelujah! O Lord, deal with Thy servant according unto Thy mercy and teach me Thy statutes. I am Thy servant, give me understanding: that I may know Thy testimonies. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> Who with Thine only-begotten Son and the Holy Ghost art one God, one Lord. And in the confession of the only true God, we worship the Trinity in Person and the Unity in substance, of Majesty coequal. >>>

*** **Note**: Addition to the Book of Esther, found in the King James Version with Apocrypha of the Bible

THE COLLECT

(H) O God, our refuge and strength, who art the author of all godliness: Be ready, we beseech Thee, to hear the devout prayers of Thy Church; and grant that those things which we ask faithfully, we may obtain effectually; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

(VD) O almighty, eternal God: We confess that we are poor sinners and cannot answer one of a thousand, when Thou contendest with us; but with all our hearts we thank Thee, that Thou hast taken all our guilt from us and laid it upon Thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and made Him to atone for it: We pray Thee graciously to sustain us in faith, and so to govern us by Thy Holy Spirit, that we may live according to Thy will, in neighborly love, service, and helpfulness, and not give way to wrath or revenge, that we may not incur Thy wrath, but always find in Thee a gracious Father, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (*Psalm 130:3-4; 1-2*)

If Thou, Lord, shouldest mark iniquities: O Lord, who shall stand? But there is forgiveness with Thee: that Thou mayest be feared, O God of Israel. Out of the depths have I cried unto Thee, Lord: Lord, hear my voice. Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES

(H) OT: Deuteronomy 7:9-11 Epistle: Philippians 1:3-11 Gospel: Matthew 18:23-35 (SL) Epistle: Ephesians 4:30-32 Gospel: Matthew 18:1-20

THE GRADUAL (Psalm 133:1, 3; 103:1; 146:2)

BEHOLD how good and how pleasant it is: for brethren to dwell together in unity! The LORD commanded blessing: even life for evermore. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Praise the LORD, O my soul, while I live will I praise the LORD: I will sing praises unto my God. Hallelujah.

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 119:124-125)

Hallelujah! O Lord, deal with Thy servant according unto Thy mercy and teach me Thy statutes. I am Thy servant, give me understanding: that I may know Thy testimonies. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

THE COLLECT

(H) Absolve, we beseech Thee, O Lord, Thy people from their offenses; that from the bonds of our sins which, by reason of our frailty, we have brought upon us, we may be delivered by Thy bountiful goodness; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

(VD) Lord God, heavenly Father: we thank Thee that Thou hast hitherto granted us peace and graciously spared us from war and foreign dominion: We pray Thee, graciously let us continue to live in Thy fear according to Thy will, giving no cause for wars or other punishment; govern and direct our magistrates, that they may not hinder the obedience due to Thee, but maintain righteousness, that we may enjoy happiness and blessing under their government, through our Lord Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (Jeremiah 29:11-12, 14; Psalm 85:1)

I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the Lord: thoughts of peace, and not of evil. Then shall ye call upon me, and pray unto me, and I will hearken unto you: and I will turn your captivity, and gather you from all nations and all places. Lord, Thou has been favorable unto Thy land: Thou hast brought back the captivity of Jacob. Glory be to the Father. ~~~

THE PERICOPES

(H) Old Testament: Isaiah 32:1-8 Epistle: Philippians 3:17-21 Gospel: Matthew 22:15-22 (SL) Epistle: Romans 13:1-7 Gospel: Mark 12:41-44

THE GRADUAL (*Psalm 44:7-8; 115:11*)

THOU hast saved us from our enemies: and hast put them to shame that hated us. In God we boast all the day long: and praise Thy Name forever. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Ye that fear the LORD, trust in the Lord : He is their help and their shield. Hallelujah.

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 119:124-125)

Hallelujah! O Lord, deal with Thy servant according unto Thy mercy and teach me Thy statutes. I am Thy servant, give me understanding: that I may know Thy testimonies. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

THE COLLECT

(H) Stir up, we beseech Thee, O Lord, the wills of Thy faithful people; that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may of Thee be plenteously rewarded; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

(VD) O almighty and everlasting God, who by Thy Son hast promised us forgiveness of our sins and deliverance from eternal death: We pray that by Thy Holy Spirit Thou wilt daily increase our faith in Thy grace through Christ, and establish us in the certain hope that we shall not die, but peacefully sleep, and be raised again on the last day to eternal life and salvation; through our Lord, Jesus Christ, Thy Son, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (Psalm 95:6-7, 1)

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. O come, let us sing unto the Lord: let us make a joyful noise to the Rock of our salvation. Glory be to the Father >>>

THE PERICOPES

(H) Old Testament: Isaiah 51:9-16 Epistle: Colossians 1:9-14 Gospel: Matthew 9:18-26 (SL) Epistle: 2 Corinthians 5:1-10 Gospel: John 5:17-29

THE GRADUAL (*Psalm 1:1-2; 91:15-16*)

BLESSED is the man: that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly. His delight is in the law of the LORD : and in His law doth he meditate day and night. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. He shall call upon Me and I will answer him with long life will I satisfy him and show him My salvation. Hallelujah.

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 119:124-125)

Hallelujah! O Lord, deal with Thy servant according unto Thy mercy and teach me Thy statutes. I am Thy servant, give me understanding: that I may know Thy testimonies. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

THE COLLECT

(H) Almighty God, we beseech Thee, show Thy mercy unto Thy humble servants, that we who put no trust in our own merits may Hot be dealt with after the severity of Thy judgment, but according to Thy mercy; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

(VD) Lord God, heavenly Father, we most heartily thank Thee that by Thy word Thou hast brought us out of the darkness of Papacy into the light of Thy grace: We beseech Thee, mercifully help us to walk in that light, guard us from all error and false doctrine, and grant that we may not, as the Jews, become ungrateful and despise and persecute Thy word, but receive it with all our heart, govern our lives according to it, and put all our trust in Thy grace through the merit of Thy dear Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (*Psalm* 31:9, 15; 31:17; 71:11)

Have mercy upon me, O Lord, for I am in trouble: deliver me from the hand of mine enemies, and from them that persecute me. Let me not be ashamed, O Lord: for I have called upon Thee. In Thee, O Lord, do I put my trust; let me never be ashamed. Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES

(H) OT: Isaiah 49:12-17 Epistle: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 Gospel: Matthew 24:15-28 (SL) Epistle: 2 Peter 3:3-15 Gospel: Luke 17:20-33

THE GRADUAL (*Psalm 91:2, 4, 1*)

I WILL say of the LORD, He is my refuge and my fortress: my God, in Him will I trust. His truth: shall be thy shield and buckler. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. He that dwelleth in the secret place of the Most High: shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. Hallelujah.

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 119:124-125)

Hallelujah! O Lord, deal with Thy servant according unto Thy mercy and teach me Thy statutes. I am Thy servant, give me understanding: that I may know Thy testimonies. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE
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THE COLLECT

(H) Almighty, everlasting, and merciful God, Thou who, through Thy dear Son, our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, hast for our sakes established the kingdom of grace for us, that here in Thy holy Church we should believe the forgiveness of our sins, Inasmuch as Thou art a God who hath no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from his way and live: We pray Thee, graciously pardon all our sins, through the same, Thy Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

(VD) O almighty, eternal and merciful God, who by Thy beloved Son, our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, hast established the kingdom of grace for us, that we might believe the forgiveness of our sins, in Thy holy Church on earth, since Thou art a God who hath no pleasure In the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from his way and live: We beseech Thee, graciously forgive us all our sins, through the same, Thy Son Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (*Psalm 54:1-2, 5*)

Save me, O God, by Thy name: and judge me by Thy strength. Hear my prayer, O God: give ear to the words of my mouth. He shall reward evil to mine enemies: cut them off in Thy truth. Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES

(H) O.T: Isaiah 40:9-11 Epistle: 2 Peter 3:3-14 ** Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46 ** or 2 Thessalonians 1:3-10
 (SL) Epistle: Hebrews 4:9-13 Gospel: Matthew 11:25-30

THE GRADUAL (*Psalm* 24:3-5; *Isaiah* 43:1)

WHO shall ascend into the hill of the LORD: or who shall stand in His holy place? He that hath clean hands and a pure heart: he shall receive the blessing from the LORD. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Fear not, for I have redeemed thee: I have called thee by name; thou art Mine. Hallelujah.

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 119:124-125)

Hallelujah! O Lord, deal with Thy servant according unto Thy mercy and teach me Thy statutes. I am Thy servant, give me understanding: that I may know Thy testimonies. Hallelujah

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> Who with Thine only-begotten Son and the Holy Ghost art one God, one Lord. And in the confession of the only true God, we worship the Trinity in Person and the Unity in substance, of Majesty coequal. >>>

27th Sunday after Trinity (Last Sunday of Church Year) Liturgical Color: Green

THE COLLECT

(H) O God, who in the glorious transfiguration of Thy only-begotten Son hast confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the testimony of the fathers, and who, in the voice that came from the bright cloud, didst in a wonderful manner foreshow the adoption of sons; Mercifully vouchsafe to make us co-heirs with the King of His glory, and bring us to the enjoyment of the same; through the same, our Lord Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with Thee arid the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

(VD) O merciful and everlasting God, heavenly Father: We thank Thee that Thou hast revealed unto us the glory of Thy Son, and let the light of Thy gospel shine upon us: We pray Thee, guide us by this light that we may walk diligently as Christians in all good works, ever be strengthened by Thy grace, and conduct our lives In all godliness; through the same, Thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (*Revelation 1:8; 21:3; Psalm 24:7*)

I AM Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending: which is, and which was, and which is to come, the Almighty. Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and He will dwell with them: and they shall be His people, and God Him self shall be with them, and be their God. Lift up your heads, ye gates; and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors: and the King of Glory shall come in. Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES

(H) OT: Isaiah 65:17-19 Epistle: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11 Gospel: Matthew 25:1-13 (SL) Epistle: Revelation 21:1-7 Gospel: Matthew 5:13-16

THE GRADUAL (John 8:12; Revelation 22:17, 20)

I AM the Light of the world: he that followeth Me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life. The Spirit and the bride say, Come, and let him that heareth say Come: and let him that is athirst come. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Even so, come, Lord Jesus. Hallelujah.

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 119:124-125)

Hallelujah! O Lord, deal with Thy servant according unto Thy mercy and teach me Thy statutes. I am Thy servant, give me understanding: that I may know Thy testimonies. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> Who with Thine only-begotten Son and the Holy Ghost art one God, one Lord. And in the confession of the only true God, we worship the Trinity in Person and the Unity in substance, of Majesty coequal. >>>

The Festival of the Reformation (Reformation Sunday) Liturgical Color: Red

THE COLLECT

(H) O Lord God, heavenly Father: Pour out, we beseech Thee, Thy Holy Spirit upon Thy faithful people, keep them steadfast in Thy grace and truth, protect and comfort them in all temptation, defend them against all enemies of Thy word, and bestow upon Christ's Church militant Thy saving peace, through the same, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (*Psalm* 46:11, 2, 1)

The Lord of Hosts is with us: the God of Jacob is our refuge. Therefore will we not fear, though the earth be removed: and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea. God is our refuge and strength: a very present help in trouble. Glory be to the Father, ~~~

THE PERICOPES

(H) OT: 2 Chronicles 29:12-19 Epistle: Revelation 14:6-7 Gospel: Matthew 11:12-15 (SL) Epistle: Galatians 2:16-21 Gospel: John 2:13-17

THE GRADUAL (Psalm 103:20; 90:11; 103:1; Isaiah 6:3)

BLESS the LORD, ye His angels, that excel in strength: that do His commandments, hearkening unto the voice of His word. God hath given His angels charge over thee: to keep thee in all thy ways. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Bless the Lord, O my soul: and all that is within me, bless His holy Name. Hallelujah. And one cried unto another, and said: Holy, holy, holy, is the LORD of Hosts : the whole earth is full of His glory. Hallelujah.

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 119:124-125)

Hallelujah! O Lord, deal with Thy servant according unto Thy mercy and teach me Thy statutes. I am Thy servant, give me understanding: that I may know Thy testimonies. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> Who with Thine only-begotten Son and the Holy Ghost art one God, one Lord. And in the confession of the only true God, we worship the Trinity in Person and the Unity in substance, of Majesty coequal. >>>

Note: Actual date is October 31st but is often observed on a Sunday.

Note: If Confirmation takes place on Reformation Sunday, use the following COLLECT:

(H) Grant, we beseech Thee, merciful Lord, to Thy faithful people pardon and peace, that they may be cleansed from all their sins, and serve Thee with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

(VD) Lord God, heavenly Father: We thank Thee, that of Thy great mercy Thou hast called us by Thy holy word to the blessed marriage-feast of Thy Son, and through Him dost forgive us all our sins; but, being daily beset by temptation, offense, and danger, and being weak in ourselves and given to sin, we beseech Thee graciously to protect us by Thy Holy Spirit, that we fall not; and if we fall and defile our wedding-garment, with which Thy Son hath clothed us, graciously help us again and lead us to repentance, that we fall not forever; preserve in us a constant faith in Thy grace, through our Lord Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

All Saint's Day Liturgical Color: White

THE COLLECT

(H) O Almighty God, who hast knit together Thine elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of Thy Son, Christ our Lord: Grant us grace to follow Thy blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those unspeakable joys which Thou hast prepared for those who unfeignedly love Thee; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

(VD) O almighty and everlasting God, who through Thine only-begotten and beloved Son, Jesus Christ, wilt sanctify all Thine elected and beloved: Give us grace to follow their faith, hope, and charity, that we together with them may obtain eternal life: through Thy Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (2 *Timothy* 1:12; 4:8; *Psalm* 139:1-2)

I know in whom I have believed: And am persuaded that He is able to keep that which I have committed to Him against that day. There is laid up for me a crown of righteousness; which the Lord, the righteous Judge, shall give me. O Lord, Thou hast searched me and known me: Thou knowest my downsetting and mine uprising. Glory be to the Father, >>>

Or you may use: (Revelation 7:14-15; Psalm 33:1)

THESE are they which have come out of great tribulation: and have washed their robes and made them white in the Blood of the Lamb. Therefore are they before the Throne of God: and serve Him day and night in His Temple. Rejoice in the LORD, ye righteous: for praise is comely for the upright. Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES

(SL) Epistle: Revelation 7:2-12 Gospel: Matthew 5:1-12

The Gradual

Oh, fear the Lord, ye Saints: for there is no want to them that fear Him. They that seek the Lord: shall not want a good thing. Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Come unto Me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden: and I will give you rest. Hallelujah!

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 119:124-125)

Hallelujah! O Lord, deal with Thy servant according unto Thy mercy and teach me Thy statutes. I am Thy servant, give me understanding: that I may know Thy testimonies. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> Who with Thine only-begotten Son and the Holy Ghost art one God, one Lord. And in the confession of the only true God, we worship the Trinity in Person and the Unity in substance, of Majesty coequal. >>>

A Day of General or Special Thanksgiving Liturgical Color: White

THE COLLECT

(H) Almighty God, our heavenly Father, whose mercies are new unto us every morning, and who, though we have in no wise deserved Thy goodness, dost abundantly provide for all our wants of body and soul; Give us we pray Thee, Thy Holy Spirit, that we may heartily acknowledge Thy merciful goodness toward us, give thanks for all Thy benefits, and serve Thee in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen

THE INTROIT (*Psalm 150:6, 2, 1*)

Let every thing that hath breath praise the Lord: praise ye the Lord. Praise Him for His mighty acts: praise Him according to His excellent greatness. Praise ye the Lord; praise God in His sanctuary; praise Him in the firmament of His power. Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES

(H) Old Testament: Lamentations 3:22-25 Epistle: 1 Timothy 2:1-8 Gospel: Luke 17:11-19

THE GRADUAL (*Psalm 145:15-16; 103:1-2*)

The eyes of all wait upon Thee: and Thou givest them Their meat in due season. Thou openest Thine hand: and satisfiest the desire of every living thing. Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless His holy name: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits. Hallelujah!

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 119:124-125)

Hallelujah! O Lord, deal with Thy servant according unto Thy mercy and teach me Thy statutes. I am Thy servant, give me understanding: that I may know Thy testimonies. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

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The Minor Festivals

Including The Festivals of the Apostles, Evangelists and Martyrs



The Appearance to the Apostles by Duccio di Buoninsegna ca. 1308

Customs not observed in all Lutheran Churches

The Festival of the Harvest Liturgical Color: Color of Season

THE COLLECT

(H) Almighty God, most merciful Father, who openest Thy hand, and satisfiest the desire of every living thing: We give Thee most humble and hearty thanks that Thou hast crowned the fields with Thy blessing, and hast permitted us once more to gather in the fruits of the earth; and we beseech Thee to bless .and protect the living seed of Thy word sown in our hearts, that in the plenteous fruits of righteousness we may always present to Thee an acceptable thank-offering; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (*Psalm* 65:11, 9-10, 1)

O Lord, Thou crownest the year with Thy goodness: and Thy paths drop fatness. Thou visitest the earth and waterest it: Thou blessest the springing thereof. Praise waiteth for Thee, O God, in Zion: and unto Thee shall the vow be performed. Glory be to the Father ~~~~

THE PERICOPES

(H) Old Testament: Deuteronomy 26:1-11 Epistle: Acts 14:15-16 Gospel: Matthew 6:24-34
(H) Old Testament: Malachi 3:10-12 Epistle: James 1:17-18 Gospel: Luke 12:13-21

Note: Either set may be used. Reference: 1893 Church Book

THE GRADUAL (*Psalm 145:15-16; 103:1*)

The eyes of all wait upon Thee: and Thou givest them Their meat in due season. Thou openest Thine hand: and satisfiest the desire of every living thing. Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless His holy name: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits. Hallelujah!

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 119:124-125)

Hallelujah! O Lord, deal with Thy servant according unto Thy mercy and teach me Thy statutes. I am Thy servant, give me understanding: that I may know Thy testimonies. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

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Day of Humiliation and Prayer Liturgical Color: Purple or Black

THE COLLECT

(H) O gracious God, merciful Father, who dost bountifully forgive and show mercy unto all who truly repent of their sins: We heartily beseech Thee, dear Father, forgive us all our sins, and grant us Thy grace, that all we who call upon Thy name, each day abstainfrom all unrighteousness and sin, and turn unto Thee with all our hearts, that by the power of Thy Spirit we may daily be found in sincere faith and obedience, bringing forth fruits of true repentance; grant us also that, seeking and calling upon Thee in faith and confidence, we may find Thee a merciful God and Father, and be assured of Thy gracious help and blessing in every need of body and soul, until at length, by Thy grace, we obtain eternal salvation; through Thy dear Son, our Lord and Savior, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

(VD) Almighty and most merciful God, our heavenly Father, of whose compassion there is no end, who art long-suffering, gracious, and plenteous in goodness and truth; forgiving iniquity, transgression and sin: We have sinned and done perversely, we have forsaken and grievously offended Thee; against Thee, Thee only, have we sinned and done evil in Thy sight; but we beseech Thee, O Lord, remember not against us former iniquities; let Thy tender mercies speedily forgive us, for we are brought very low; help us, O God of our salvation, and purge away our sins, for the glory of Thy holy name, for the sake of Thy dear Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (Isaiah 1:2, 4; Psalm 130:3)

Hear, O heavens, and give ear, for the Lord hath spoken; I have nourished and brought up children, and they have rebelled against me. They have forsaken the Lord, they have provoked the Holy One of Israel unto anger: They are gone away backward. If Thou, Lord, shouldst mark iniquities: O Lord, who shall stand? Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES

(H) Old Testament: Daniel 9:3-19 Epistle: Joel 2:12-19 Gospel: Matthew 6:16-21

THE GRADUAL (Isaiah 55:6-7)

Seek the Lord while He may be found: call upon Him while He is near. Let the wicked forsake his way: and the unrighteous man his thoughts; And let him return unto the Lord, and He will have mercy upon him: and to our God, for He will abundantly pardon.

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 119:124-125)

Hallelujah! O Lord, deal with Thy servant according unto Thy mercy and teach me Thy statutes. I am Thy servant, give me understanding: that I may know Thy testimonies. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> Who with Thine only-begotten Son and the Holy Ghost art one God, one Lord. And in the confession of the only true God, we worship the Trinity in Person and the Unity in substance, of Majesty coequal. >>>

St. Thomas, the Apostle (Dec 21) Liturgical Color: Red

THE COLLECT

ALMIGHTY and ever-living God, who through the Word of Thy Son, didst mightily strengthen the faith of Thy Apostle St. Thomas: by the same Word, keep us ever steadfast in the faith unto our end; through Jesus Christ, Thy dear Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

THE INTROIT (2 *Timothy* 1:12; 4:8; Psalm 139:1-8)

I KNOW Whom I have believed: and am persuaded that He is able to keep that which I have committed unto Him against that day. There is laid up for me a crown of righteousness: which the Lord, the righteous Judge, shall give me. Lord, Thou hast searched me and known me: Thou knowest my downsitting and mine uprising. Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES

(SL) Epistle: Ephesians 1:3-6 Gospel: John 20: 24-31

THE GRADUAL (*Psalm 19:4**, 1; John 15:19, 16*)

THEIR sound went forth through all the earth: and their words to the end of the world. The heavens declare the glory of God: and the firmament showeth His handiwork. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. I have chosen you out of the world: that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and your fruit should remain. Hallelujah!

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 119:124-125)

Hallelujah! O Lord, deal with Thy servant according unto Thy mercy and teach me Thy statutes. I am Thy servant, give me understanding: that I may know Thy testimonies. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> Because Thou didst mightily govern and protect Thy Holy Church, which the blessed Apostles and Evangelists instructed in Thy divine and saving truth, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. >>>

St. Stephan, the Martyr (Dec 26) Liturgical Color: Red

THE COLLECT

(H) Grant, O Lord, that, in all our sufferings here upon earth far the testimony of Thy truth, we may steadfastly look up to heaven, and by faith behold the glory that shall be revealed; and, being filled with the Holy Ghost, may learn to love and bless our persecutors by the example of Thy first martyr Saint Stephen, who prayed for his murderers to Thee, O blessed Jesus, who stands at the right hand of God to succor all those who suffer for Thee, our only Mediator and Advocate. Amen

Or you may use:

(VD) O eternal and merciful God, our heavenly Father, who didst give such grace to Saint Stephen, that for the sake of Thy word and Thy dear Son he became the first martyr after the ascension of Christ, and with patience did make intercession for his persecutors: Grant us grace to endure patiently whatever Thy divine will appointeth, that we also may love our enemies and pray for them; through the same, Thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use: (1921 Lutheran Hymnary, Hauge Synod)

Eternal and almighty God, heavenly Father, we thank Thee, that Thou hast revealed Thyself in Thine only-begotten Son, and hast sent Thy witnesses with Thy blessed word, whereby Thou dost call us into Thy kingdom: We beseech Thee, that Thou wouldst open our hearts by Thy Holy Spirit that we may not resist Thy gospel, but believe in Thine only-begotten Son, take up His cross and magnify His name, and at last obtain eternal salvation, through the same, Thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (*Psalm 119:23, 95; Liturgical Text; Psalm 119:1*)

PRINCES also did sit and speak against me: The wicked have waited for me to destroy me. Help me, O Lord God: for I have kept Thy testimonies. Blessed are the undefiled in the way : who walk in the law of the Lord. Glory be to the Father >>>

THE PERICOPES

(SL) Epistle: Acts 6:8-15 to 7:60 Gospel: Matthew 23:34-39

THE GRADUAL (Matthew 5:10; Revelation 2:10; Acts 7:56)

BLESSED are they who are persecuted for righteousness sake: for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven. Be thou faithful unto death: and I will give thee a crown of life. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. I see the heavens opened: and Jesus standing at the Right Hand of God. Hallelujah.

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 119:124-125)

Hallelujah! O Lord, deal with Thy servant according unto Thy mercy and teach me Thy statutes. I am Thy servant, give me understanding: that I may know Thy testimonies. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> Because Thou didst mightily govern and protect Thy holy Church, which the blessed Apostles and Evangelists instructed in Thy divine and saving truth, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. >>>

St. John, the Apostle and Evangelist (Dec 27) Liturgical Color: White

THE COLLECT

(H) O ALMIGHTY God, Who hast instructed Thy holy Church with the heavenly doctrine of Thy Evangelists: Give us grace, that being not like children carried away with every blast of vain doctrine, we may be established in the Truth of Thy holy Gospel; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever One God, world with out end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (2 *Timothy* 1:12; 4:8; *Psalm* 139:1-8)

I KNOW Whom I have believed: and am persuaded that He is able to keep that which I have committed unto Him against that day. There is laid up for me a crown of righteousness: which the Lord, the righteous Judge, shall give me. Lord, Thou hast searched me and known me: Thou knowest my downsitting and mine uprising. Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES

(SL) Epistle: 1 John 1:1-10 Gospel: John 21: 19-24

THE GRADUAL (*Psalm 19:4**, 1; John 15:19, 16*)

THEIR sound went forth through all the earth: and their words to the end of the world. The heavens declare the glory of God: and the firmament showeth His handiwork. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. I have chosen you out of the world: that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and your fruit should remain. Hallelujah!

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 119:124-125)

Hallelujah! O Lord, deal with Thy servant according unto Thy mercy and teach me Thy statutes. I am Thy servant, give me understanding: that I may know Thy testimonies. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> Because Thou didst mightily govern and protect Thy holy Church, which the blessed Apostles and Evangelists instructed in Thy divine and saving truth, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Therefore, >>>

The Holy Innocents, Martyrs (Dec 28) Liturgical Color: Red

THE COLLECT

O God, whose martyred innocents showed forth Thy praise, not by speaking, but by dying; mortify all vices within us that our lives may in deed confess Thy faith which our tongue uttereth; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth, and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen

THE INTROIT (Psalm 8:2, 1)

Out of the mouth of babes and sucklings, O Lord: Last Thou ordained strength because of Thine enemies. O Lord, our Lord: how excellent is Thy name in all the earth! Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES

(SL) Epistle: Revelation 14:1-5 Gospel: Matthew 2:13-18

THE GRADUAL (Psalm 124:7-8)

Our soul is escaped as a bird out of the snare of the fowlers. The snare is broken, and we are escaped: our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth. Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Praise, 0 ye servants of the Lord, praise the name of the Lord. Hallelujah!

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 119:124-125)

Hallelujah! O Lord, deal with Thy servant according unto Thy mercy and teach me Thy statutes. I am Thy servant, give me understanding: that I may know Thy testimonies. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> Because Thou didst mightily govern and protect Thy holy Church, which the blessed Apostles and Evangelists instructed in Thy divine and saving truth, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Therefore, >>>

The Conversion of St. Paul (Jan 25) Liturgical Color: Red

THE COLLECT

O GOD, who through the preaching of the blessed Apostle Saint Paul hast caused the light of Thy Gospel to shine to the Gentile world, give us grace ever to joy in the saving light of Thy Gospel and to spread it to The uttermost parts of the earth; through the same Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever One God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (2 *Timothy* 1:12; 4:8; *Psalm* 139:1-8)

I KNOW Whom I have believed: and am persuaded that He is able to keep that which I have committed unto Him against that day. There is laid up for me a crown of righteousness: which the Lord, the righteous Judge, shall give me. Lord, Thou hast searched me and known me: Thou knowest my downsitting and mine uprising. Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES

(SL) Epistle: Acts 9:1-22 Gospel: Matthew 19:27-30

THE GRADUAL (Galatians 2:8; 1:24; 1 Corinthians 15:10; Acts 9:15)

He that wrought effectually in Peter to the apostleship of the circumcision, the same was mighty in me toward the Gentiles: and they glorified God in me. By the grace of God I am what I am: and His grace which was bestowed upon me was not in vain. Hallelujah! Hallelujah! The Lord said unto Paul, Thou art a chosen vessel unto Me: to bear My Name before the Gentiles. Hallelujah!

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 119:124-125)

Hallelujah! O Lord, deal with Thy servant according unto Thy mercy and teach me Thy statutes. I am Thy servant, give me understanding: that I may know Thy testimonies. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> Because Thou didst mightily govern and protect Thy holy Church, which the blessed Apostles and Evangelists instructed in Thy divine and saving truth, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Therefore, >>>

Presentation of Christ and Purification of Mary (Feb 2) Liturgical Color: White

The Collect

(H) Almighty and ever-living God, we humbly beseech Thy Majesty that, as Thine only begotten Son was this day presented in the Temple in the substance of our flesh, so we may be presented unto Thee with pure and clean hearts; by the same Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth, and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen

Or you may use:

Lord God, Heavenly Father, who hast given Thy Son to be our Savior, a light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of Thy people Israel, we beseech Thee, enlighten our hearts, that we may know Thy grace and fatherly will in Him toward us, and obtain ever lasting life; through the same Thy Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who liveth, and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen

The Introit

We have thought of Thy loving-kindness, O God: in the midst of Thy temple. According to Thy name, O God, so is Thy praise unto the ends of the earth: Thy right hand is full of righteousness. Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised: in the city of our God, in the mountain of His holiness. Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES

(SL) Epistle: Malachi 3:1-4 Gospel: Luke 2:22-32

THE GRADUAL (*Psalm 48:9-10, 8, 1; 138:2*)

We have Thought of Thy loving-kindness, 0 God, in the midst of Thy Temple: according to Thy name, O God, so is Thy praise unto the ends of the earth. As we have heard, so have we seen in the city of our God, In the mountain of His holiness. Hallelujah! Hallelujah! I will worship toward Thy holy Temple and will praise Thy name. Hallelujah!

Note: It this day comes after Septuagesima, use the following (Psalm 48:9-10; Luke 2:29-32) We have Thought of Thy loving-kindness, O God, in the midst of Thy Temple: according to Thy name, O God, so is Thy praise unto the ends of the earth. Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace, according to Thy word. For mine eyes have seen Thy Salvation. Which Thou hat prepared before the face of all people. A Light to lighten The Gentiles and the Glory of Thy people Israel.

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 117:1-2)

Hallelujah! Oh praise the Lord, all ye nations, and laud Him, all ye people. For His merciful kindness is great toward us: and the truth of the Lord endureth forever. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> And now do we praise Thee that Thou didst send unto us Thine only-begotten Son and that in Him, being found in fashion as a man, Thou didst manifest the fullness of Thy glory. Therefore, >>>

St. Matthias, the Apostle (Feb 24) Liturgical Color: Red

THE COLLECT

O Almighty God, who into the place of the traitor Judas didst choose Thy faithful servant Matthias, grant that Thy Church, ever being preserved from false apostles, may continually abide in the doctrine of Thy true Apostles; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth, and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever One God, world without end, Amen

THE INTROIT (2 *Timothy* 1:12; 4:8; *Psalm* 139:1-8)

I KNOW Whom I have believed: and am persuaded that He is able to keep that which I have committed unto Him against that day. There is laid up for me a crown of righteousness: which the Lord, the righteous Judge, shall give me. Lord, Thou hast searched me and known me: Thou knowest my downsitting and mine uprising. Glory be to the Father, ~~~

THE PERICOPES

(SL) Epistle: Acts 1: 15-26 Gospel: Matthew 11: 25-30

THE GRADUAL (*Psalm 19:4**, 1; John 15:19, 16*)

THEIR sound went forth through all the earth: and their words to the end of the world. The heavens declare the glory of God: and the firmament showeth His handiwork. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. I have chosen you out of the world: that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and your fruit should remain. Hallelujah!

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 119:124-125)

Hallelujah! O Lord, deal with Thy servant according unto Thy mercy and teach me Thy statutes. I am Thy servant, give me understanding: that I may know Thy testimonies. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> Because Thou didst mightily govern and protect Thy holy Church, which the blessed Apostles and Evangelists instructed in Thy divine and saving truth, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. >>>

The Annunciation of the Virgin Mary (March 25) Liturgical Color: White

THE COLLECT

(H) We beseech Thee, O Lord, pour Thy grace Into our hearts; that, as we have known the incarnation of Thy Son, Jesus Christ, by the message of an angel, so by His cross and passion we may be brought into the glory of His resurrection: through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen

Or you may use:

(VD) O almighty God, who of Thy great mercy didst cause Thy Son to be conceived by the Holy Ghost, and to become incarnate of the blessed virgin Mary according to the angel's annunciation: Grant us by Thy grace, that our sinful conception may be purified by His holy conception, through the same, Thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (*Psalm 45:12, 14-15, 1*)

All the rich among the people shall entreat Thy favor. She shall be brought unto the King in raiment of needlework. Her companions shall be brought unto Thee: with gladness and rejoicing. My heart is inditing a good matter: I speak of the things which I have made touching the King. Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES

(SL) Epistle: Isaiah 7:10-15 Gospel: Luke 1:26-38

THE GRADUAL (Isaiah 11:1; 7:14; Luke 1:28, 35)

There shall come forth a Rod out of the stem of Jesse: and a Branch shall grow out of his roots. Behold, a virgin shall conceive and bear a Son: and shall call His name Immanuel. The angel of the Lord came in unto Mary and said, Hail, thou that art highly favored, the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women. The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee: and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee. Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Therefore also that Holy Thing which shall be born of thee: shall be called the Son of God. Hallelujah!

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 117:1-2)

Hallelujah! Oh praise the Lord, all ye nations, and laud Him, all ye people. For His merciful kindness is great toward us: and the truth of the Lord endureth forever. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> And now do we praise Thee that Thou didst send unto us Thine only-begotten Son and that in Him, being found in fashion as a man, Thou didst manifest the fullness of Thy glory. Therefore, >>>

St. Mark, the Evangelist (Apr 25) Liturgical Color: Red

THE COLLECT

O ALMIGHTY God, who hast enriched Thy Church with the precious Gospel written by Thy Evangelist Saint Mark, give us grace that we may firmly believe Thy glad tidings of salvation and daily walk as it becometh the Gospel of Christ; through the same Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever One God, world without end, Amen

THE INTROIT (2 *Timothy* 1:12; 4:8; Psalm 139:1-8)

I KNOW Whom I have believed: and am persuaded that He is able to keep that which I have committed unto Him against that day. There is laid up for me a crown of righteousness: which the Lord, the righteous Judge, shall give me. Lord, Thou hast searched me and known me: Thou knowest my downsitting and mine uprising. Glory be to the Father, ~~~

THE PERICOPES

(SL) Epistle: Ephesians 4: 7-13 Gospel: John 15: 1-11

THE GRADUAL (*Psalm 19:4**, 1; John 15:19, 16*)

THEIR sound went forth through all the earth: and their words to the end of the world. The heavens declare the glory of God: and the firmament showeth His handiwork. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. I have chosen you out of the world: that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and your fruit should remain. Hallelujah!

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 119:124-125)

Hallelujah! O Lord, deal with Thy servant according unto Thy mercy and teach me Thy statutes. I am Thy servant, give me understanding: that I may know Thy testimonies. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> Because Thou didst mightily govern and protect Thy holy Church, which the blessed Apostles and Evangelists instructed in Thy divine and saving truth, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. >>>

St. Philip and St. James, the Apostles (May 1) Liturgical Color: Red

THE COLLECT

ALMIGHTY God, whom to know is everlasting life, grant unto us that, as Thy Son gave knowledge of life eternal to Thy Apostles Philip and James by revealing Himself to them as the only Way to Thee, we may by a true and living faith ever know Him our only Savior; through The same, Thy dear Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever One God, world without end, Amen

THE INTROIT (2 *Timothy* 1:12; 4:8; *Psalm* 139:1-8)

I KNOW Whom I have believed: and am persuaded that He is able to keep that which I have committed unto Him against that day. There is laid up for me a crown of righteousness: which the Lord, the righteous Judge, shall give me. Lord, Thou hast searched me and known me: Thou knowest my downsitting and mine uprising. Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES

(SL) Epistle: Ephesians 2:19-22 Gospel: John 14:1-14

THE GRADUAL (*Psalm 19:4**, 1; John 15:19, 16*)

THEIR sound went forth through all the earth: and their words to the end of the world. The heavens declare the glory of God: and the firmament showeth His handiwork. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. I have chosen you out of the world: that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and your fruit should remain. Hallelujah!

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 119:124-125)

Hallelujah! O Lord, deal with Thy servant according unto Thy mercy and teach me Thy statutes. I am Thy servant, give me understanding: that I may know Thy testimonies. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> Because Thou didst mightily govern and protect Thy holy Church, which the blessed Apostles and Evangelists instructed in Thy divine and saving truth, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. >>>

St. John the Baptist (Jun 24) Liturgical Color: White

THE COLLECT

(H) O LORD GOD, heavenly Father, who through Thy servant John the Baptist didst bear witness that Jesus Christ is the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world, and that all who believe in Him shall inherit eternal life, we humbly pray Thee to enlighten us by Thy Holy Spirit that we may at all times find comfort and joy in this witness, continue steadfast in the true faith, and at last with all believers attain unto eternal life; through the same Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever One God, world without end, Amen

Or you may use:

Almighty God, who through John the Baptist, the forerunner of Christ didst proclaim salvation, grant that we may know this Thy salvation and serve Thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of our life; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth, and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever One God, world without end, Amen

THE INTROIT (Isaiah 40:3, 5; Psalm 92:1)

THE voice of him that crieth in the wilderness: Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God. And the glory of the Lord: shall be revealed. It is a good thing to give thanks unto the LORD: and to sing praises unto Thy Name, Most High. Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES

(SL) Epistle: Isaiah 40:1-5 Gospel: Luke 1:57-80

THE GRADUAL (Luke 1:76; John 1:15, 29)

AND thou child shalt be called the prophet of the Highest: for thou shalt go before the face of the Lord to prepare His ways. John bare witness of Him, and cried saying, This was He of Whom I spake, He that cometh after me is preferred before me: for He was before me. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Behold the Lamb of God: Which taketh away the sin of the world. Hallelujah.

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 119:124-125)

Hallelujah! O Lord, deal with Thy servant according unto Thy mercy and teach me Thy statutes. I am Thy servant, give me understanding: that I may know Thy testimonies. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> Because Thou didst mightily govern and protect Thy holy Church, which the blessed Apostles and Evangelists instructed in Thy divine and saving truth, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. >>>

Note: Also known as the Feast of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist in later Lectionaries.

St. Peter and St. Paul, the Apostles (Jun 29) Liturgical Color: Red

THE COLLECT

(H) O ALMIGHTY God, Who by Thy Son Jesus Christ, didst give to Thy holy Apostles many excellent gifts, and commandedst them earnestly to feed Thy flock: Make, we beseech Thee, all Pastors diligently to preach Thy holy Word, and the people obediently to follow the same, that they may receive the crown of everlasting glory; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever One God, world with out end. Amen.

Or you may use:

O GOD, who didst give Thine Apostles Peter and Paul grace to lay down their lives for the sake of Thy dear Son, endow us, we beseech Thee, with like constancy that we may at all times be ready to lay down our lives for Him who laid down His life for us; through the same Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever One God, world with out end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (2 *Timothy* 1:12; 4:8; *Psalm* 139:1-8)

I KNOW Whom I have believed: and am persuaded that He is able to keep that which I have committed unto Him against that day. There is laid up for me a crown of righteousness: which the Lord, the righteous Judge, shall give me. Lord, Thou hast searched me and known me: Thou knowest my downsitting and mine uprising. Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES

(SL) Epistle: Acts 12:1-11 Gospel: Matthew 16:13-20

THE GRADUAL (*Psalm 19:4**, 1; John 15:19, 16*)

THEIR sound went forth through all the earth: and their words to the end of the world. The heavens declare the glory of God: and the firmament showeth His handiwork. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. I have chosen you out of the world: that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and your fruit should remain. Hallelujah!

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 119:124-125)

Hallelujah! O Lord, deal with Thy servant according unto Thy mercy and teach me Thy statutes. I am Thy servant, give me understanding: that I may know Thy testimonies. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> Because Thou didst mightily govern and protect Thy holy Church, which the blessed Apostles and Evangelists instructed in Thy divine and saving truth, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Therefore, >>>

The Visitation (July 2) Liturgical Color: White

THE COLLECT

(H) We beseech Thee, O Lord, pour Thy grace Into our hearts; that, as we have known the incarnation of Thy Son, Jesus Christ, by the message of an angel, so by His cross and passion we may be brought into the glory of His resurrection: through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen

Or you may use:

(VD) O almighty God, who of Thy great mercy didst cause Thy Son to be conceived by the Holy Ghost, and to become incarnate of the blessed virgin Mary according to the angel's annunciation: Grant us by Thy grace, that our sinful conception may be purified by His holy conception, through the same, Thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one true God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (*Psalm* 45:12, 14-15, 1)

All the rich among the people shall entreat Thy favor. She shall be brought unto the King in raiment of needlework. Her companions shall be brought unto Thee: with gladness and rejoicing. My heart is inditing a good matter: I speak of the things which I have made touching the King. Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES

(SL) Epistle: Is. 11:1-5 Gospel: Luke 1:39-56

THE GRADUAL (Isaiah 11:1; 7:14; Luke 1:28, 35)

There shall come forth a Rod out of the stem of Jesse: and a Branch shall grow out of his roots. Behold, a virgin shall conceive and bear a Son: and shall call His name Immanuel. The angel of the Lord came in unto Mary and said, Hail, thou that art highly favored, the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women. The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee: and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee. Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Therefore also that Holy Thing which shall be born of thee: shall be called the Son of God. Hallelujah!

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 117:1-2)

Hallelujah! Oh praise the Lord, all ye nations, and laud Him, all ye people. For His merciful kindness is great toward us: and the truth of the Lord endureth forever. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> And now do we praise Thee that Thou didst send unto us Thine only-begotten Son and that in Him, being found in fashion as a man, Thou didst manifest the fullness of Thy glory. Therefore, >>>

St. James the Elder, the Apostle (Jul 25) Liturgical Color: Red

THE COLLECT

GRANT, O Lord, that, as Thine Apostle Saint James readily obeyed the calling of Thy Son Jesus Christ, we may by Thy grace be enabled to forsake all worldly and carnal affections and to follow Him alone; through the same Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth, and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever One God, world without end, Amen

THE INTROIT (2 *Timothy* 1:12; 4:8; *Psalm* 139:1-8)

I KNOW Whom I have believed: and am persuaded that He is able to keep that which I have committed unto Him against that day. There is laid up for me a crown of righteousness: which the Lord, the righteous Judge, shall give me. Lord, Thou hast searched me and known me: Thou knowest my downsitting and mine uprising. Glory be to the Father >>>

THE PERICOPES

(SL) Epistle: Romans 8:28-39 Gospel: Matthew 20:20-28

THE GRADUAL (*Psalm 19:4**, 1; John 15:19, 16*)

THEIR sound went forth through all the earth: and their words to the end of the world. The heavens declare the glory of God: and the firmament showeth His handiwork. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. I have chosen you out of the world: that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and your fruit should remain. Hallelujah!

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 119:124-125)

Hallelujah! O Lord, deal with Thy servant according unto Thy mercy and teach me Thy statutes. I am Thy servant, give me understanding: that I may know Thy testimonies. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> Because Thou didst mightily govern and protect Thy holy Church, which the blessed Apostles and Evangelists instructed in Thy divine and saving truth, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Therefore, >>>

St. Bartholomew, the Apostle (Aug 24) Liturgical Color: Red

THE COLLECT

ALMIGHTY GOD, who through Thy Son Jesus Christ didst choose Saint Bartholomew to be an Apostle to preach the blessed Gospel, give unto Thy Church evermore faithful teachers to proclaim the glory of Thy name; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth, and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever One God, world without end, Amen

THE INTROIT (2 Timothy 1:12; 4:8; Psalm 139:1-8)

I KNOW Whom I have believed: and am persuaded that He is able to keep that which I have committed unto Him against that day. There is laid up for me a crown of righteousness: which the Lord, the righteous Judge, shall give me. Lord, Thou hast searched me and known me: Thou knowest my downsitting and mine uprising. Glory be to the Father >>>

THE PERICOPES

(SL) Epistle: 2 Corinthians 4:7-10 Gospel: Luke 22:24-30

THE GRADUAL (*Psalm 19:4**, 1; John 15:19, 16*)

THEIR sound went forth through all the earth: and their words to the end of the world. The heavens declare the glory of God: and the firmament showeth His handiwork. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. I have chosen you out of the world: that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and your fruit should remain. Hallelujah!

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 119:124-125)

Hallelujah! O Lord, deal with Thy servant according unto Thy mercy and teach me Thy statutes. I am Thy servant, give me understanding: that I may know Thy testimonies. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> Because Thou didst mightily govern and protect Thy holy Church, which the blessed Apostles and Evangelists instructed in Thy divine and saving truth, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Therefore >>>

St. Matthew, the Apostle (Sep 21) Liturgical Color: Red

THE COLLECT

O ALMIGHTY GOD, who by Thy blessed Son didst call Saint Matthew from the receipt of custom to be an Apostle and Evangelist, grant us grace to forsake all covetous desires and inordinate love of riches and to follow the same, Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth, and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever One God, world without end, Amen

THE INTROIT (2 *Timothy* 1:12; 4:8; *Psalm* 139:1-8)

I KNOW Whom I have believed: and am persuaded that He is able to keep that which I have committed unto Him against that day. There is laid up for me a crown of righteousness: which the Lord, the righteous Judge, shall give me. Lord, Thou hast searched me and known me: Thou knowest my downsitting and mine uprising. Glory be to the Father ~~~~

THE PERICOPES

(SL) Epistle: Ephesians 4:7-14 Gospel: Matthew 9:9-13

THE GRADUAL (*Psalm 19:4**, 1; John 15:19, 16*)

THEIR sound went forth through all the earth: and their words to the end of the world. The heavens declare the glory of God: and the firmament showeth His handiwork. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. I have chosen you out of the world: that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and your fruit should remain. Hallelujah!

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Hallelujah! O Lord, deal with Thy servant according unto Thy mercy and teach me Thy statutes. I am Thy servant, give me understanding: that I may know Thy testimonies. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> Because Thou didst mightily govern and protect Thy holy Church, which the blessed Apostles and Evangelists instructed in Thy divine and saving truth, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Therefore, >>>

St. Michael the Archangel (Sep 29) Liturgical Color: White

THE COLLECT

(H) O EVERLASTING GOD, who hast ordained and constituted the services of angels and men in a wonderful order, mercifully grant that, as Thy holy angels always do Thee service in heaven, so by Thy appointment they may succor and defend us on earth; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth, and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever One God, world without end, Amen

THE INTROIT (*Psalm* 103:20-21; 103:1)

Bless the Lord, ye His angels, that excel in strength: that do His commandments, hearkening unto the voice of His Word. Bless ye the Lord, all ye His hosts: ye ministers of His that do His pleasure. Bless the Lord, O my soul: and all that is within me, bless His holy name. Glory be to the Father >>>

THE PERICOPES

Epistle: Revelation 12:7-12 Gospel: Matthew 18:1-11

THE GRADUAL (*Psalm* 91:11; 103:1; *Isaiah* 6:3)

God hath given His angels charge over thee: to keep thee in all thy ways. Bless the Lord, O my soul: and all that is within me, bless His holy name. Hallelujah! Hallelujah! And one cried unto another and said, Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord of hosts: the whole earth is full of His glory. Hallelujah!

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 119:124-125)

Hallelujah! O Lord, deal with Thy servant according unto Thy mercy and teach me Thy statutes. I am Thy servant, give me understanding: that I may know Thy testimonies. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> Because Thou didst mightily govern and protect Thy holy Church, which the blessed Apostles and Evangelists instructed in Thy divine and saving truth, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Therefore, >>>

St. Luke, the Evangelist (Oct 18) Liturgical Color: Red

THE COLLECT

ALMIGHTY GOD, who calledst Saint Luke the physician to be an Evangelist and physician of the soul, heal, we beseech Thee, all the diseases of our souls by the wholesome medicine of Thy Word; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth, and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever One God, world without end, Amen

THE INTROIT (2 *Timothy* 1:12; 4:8; Psalm 139:1-8)

I KNOW Whom I have believed: and am persuaded that He is able to keep that which I have committed unto Him against that day. There is laid up for me a crown of righteousness: which the Lord, the righteous Judge, shall give me. Lord, Thou hast searched me and known me: Thou knowest my downsitting and mine uprising. Glory be to the Father ~~~~

THE PERICOPES

(SL) Epistle: 2 Timothy 4:5-15 Gospel: Luke 10:1-9

THE GRADUAL (*Psalm 19:4**, 1; John 15:19, 16*)

THEIR sound went forth through all the earth: and their words to the end of the world. The heavens declare the glory of God: and the firmament showeth His handiwork. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. I have chosen you out of the world: that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and your fruit should remain. Hallelujah!

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 119:124-125)

Hallelujah! O Lord, deal with Thy servant according unto Thy mercy and teach me Thy statutes. I am Thy servant, give me understanding: that I may know Thy testimonies. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> Because Thou didst mightily govern and protect Thy holy Church, which the blessed Apostles and Evangelists instructed in Thy divine and saving truth, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Therefore, >>>

St. Simon and St. Jude, the Apostle (Oct 28) Liturgical Color: Red

THE COLLECT

(H) O ALMIGHTY God, Whom to know is everlasting life: Grant us perfectly to know Thy Son Jesus Christ to be the Way, the Truth, and the Life; that following His steps we may stead fastly walk in the way that leadeth to eternal life; through the same Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever One God, world without end, Amen

THE INTROIT (2 *Timothy* 1:12; 4:8; *Psalm* 139:1-8)

I KNOW Whom I have believed: and am persuaded that He is able to keep that which I have committed unto Him against that day. There is laid up for me a crown of righteousness: which the Lord, the righteous Judge, shall give me. Lord, Thou hast searched me and known me: Thou knowest my downsitting and mine uprising. Glory be to the Father ~~~~

THE PERICOPES

(SL) Epistle: 1 Peter 1:3-9 Gospel: John 15:17-21

THE GRADUAL (*Psalm 19:4**, 1; John 15:19, 16*)

THEIR sound went forth through all the earth: and their words to the end of the world. The heavens declare the glory of God: and the firmament showeth His handiwork. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. I have chosen you out of the world: that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and your fruit should remain. Hallelujah!

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THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> Because Thou didst mightily govern and protect Thy holy Church, which the blessed Apostles and Evangelists instructed in Thy divine and saving truth, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Therefore, >>>

St. Andrew, the Apostle (Nov 30) Liturgical Color: Red

THE COLLECT

ALMIGHTY God, by whose grace Thy Apostle St. Andrew obeyed the call of Thy Son Jesus Christ, grant unto us also grace to follow Him in heart and life; through the same Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever One God, world without end, Amen

THE INTROIT (2 Timothy 1:12; 4:8; Psalm 139:1-8)

I KNOW Whom I have believed: and am persuaded that He is able to keep that which I have committed unto Him against that day. There is laid up for me a crown of righteousness: which the Lord, the righteous Judge, shall give me. Lord, Thou hast searched me and known me: Thou knowest my downsitting and mine uprising. Glory be to the Father ~~~~

THE PERICOPES

(SL) Epistle: Romans 10:8-18 Gospel: Matthew 4:18-22

THE GRADUAL (*Psalm 19:4**, 1; John 15:19, 16*)

THEIR sound went forth through all the earth: and their words to the end of the world. The heavens declare the glory of God: and the firmament showeth His handiwork. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. I have chosen you out of the world: that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and your fruit should remain. Hallelujah!

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THE PROPER PREFACE

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Pentecost by Duccio di Buoninsegna ca. 1308

Customs not observed in all Lutheran Churches

BAPTISM OF JESUS * (See Note) Liturgical Color: White

THE COLLECT

Father in heaven, at the Baptism of Jesus in the Jordan River Thou proclaimed Him Thy beloved Son and anointed Him with the Holy Spirit. Make all who are baptized in His name faithful in their calling as Thy children and inheritors with Him of everlasting life; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (Isaiah 6:1; Revelation 19:6; Psalm 100:1)

I saw also the Lord sitting upon a throne: high and lifted up. And I heard the voice of a great multitude, saying, Hallelujah: for the Lord God Omnipotent reigneth. Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands: serve the Lord with gladness. Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES **

Old Testament: Isaiah 42:1-7 Epistle: Acts 19:1-7 Gospel: Matthew 3:13-17

THE GRADUAL (*Psalm* 72:18-19, 3; 100:1)

BLESSED be the LORD God, the God of Israel, Who only doeth wondrous things: and blessed be His glorious Name forever. The mountains shall bring peace to Thy people: and the hills righteousness. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Make a joyful noise unto the LORD, all ye lands: serve the LORD with gladness. Hallelujah.

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 117:1)

Hallelujah! Oh praise the Lord, all ye nations, and laud Him, all ye people. For His merciful kindness is great toward us: and the truth of the Lord endureth forever. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> And now do we praise Thee that Thou didst send unto us Thine only-begotten Son and that in Him, being found in fashion as a man, Thou didst manifest the fullness of Thy glory. Therefore, >>>

Note: In recent times, the move to celebrate the Baptism of Jesus occurs on the 1st Sunday after Epiphany. Originally celebrated on January 13th, other dates used have been January 6th and January 8th.

Note: The **Collect** is found in various traditions (RC, Episcopalian, Methodist and various Lutheran Lectionaries)

****Note:** There is a wide variance in the **Pericopes** used within Lutheran Lectionaries, mostly depending which one is used (i.e. 3 year, 1 year, RCL, etc.).

Monday of Holy Week Liturgical Color: Purple

THE COLLECT

(H) GRANT, we beseech Thee, Almighty God, that we, who for our evil deeds are continually afflicted, may mercifully be relieved by the Passion of Thlne only begotten Son, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (Psalm 35:1-3)

Plead my cause, O Lord, with them that strive with me: fight against them that fight against me. Take hold of shield and buckler: and stand up for mine help. Draw out also the spear and stop the way against them that persecute me: say unto my soul, I am thy Salvation.

THE PERICOPES

(SL) Epistle: Isaiah 50:5-10 Gospel: John 12:1-23, or The Passion History

THE GRADUAL (*Psalm* 35:23, 3; 79:9)

Stir up Thyself and awake to my judgment: even unto my cause, my God and my Lord. Draw out also the spear: and stop the way against them that persecute me. Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of Thy name: and deliver us and purge away our sins for Thy name's sake.

THE SENTENCE (*Philippians 2:8*)

Christ hath humbled Himself and become obedient unto death: even the death of the Cross.

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> WHO on the Tree of the Cross didst give salvation unto mankind; that whence death arose, thence life also might rise again : and that he who by a tree once overcame, might likewise by a Tree be overcome, through Christ our Lord; through Whom with Angels, >>>

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Tuesday of Holy Week Liturgical Color: Purple

THE COLLECT

(H) ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, grant us grace so to contemplate the Passion of our Lord, that we may find therein forgiveness for our sins; through the same Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever One God, world without end. Amen

THE INTROIT (Galatians 6:14; Liturgical Text; Psalm 67:1)

God forbid that I should glory: save in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ. In Him is salvation, life, and resurrection from the dead: by Him we are redeemed and set at liberty. God be merciful unto us and bless us: and cause His face to shine upon us.

THE PERICOPES

(SL) Epistle: Jeremiah 11:18-20 Gospel: John 12:24-43, or The Passion History

THE GRADUAL (Psalm 35:13, 1-2)

As for me, my clothing was sackcloth: I humbled my soul with fasting; and my prayer returned into mine own bosom. Plead my cause, O Lord, with them that strive with me. Take hold of shield and buckler and stand up for mine help.

THE SENTENCE (*Philippians 2:8*)

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Wednesday of Holy Week Liturgical Color: Purple

THE COLLECT

(H) GRANT, we beseech Thee, Almighty God, that we, who for our evil deeds are continually afflicted, may mercifully be relieved by the Passion of Thlne only begotten Son, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (Philippians 2:10, 8, 11; Psalm 102:1)

At the name of Jesus every knee shall bow: of things in heaven and things in earth and things under the earth. For He became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross: wherefore He is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Hear my prayer, O Lord: and let my cry come unto Thee.

THE PERICOPES

(SL) Epistle: Isaiah 62:11 to 63:7 Gospel: Luke 22:1 to 23:42, or *The Passion History*

THE GRADUAL (*Psalm 69:17; 1-2; Psalm 102:1, 13*)

Hide not Thy face from Thy Servant; for I am in trouble: hear Me speedily. Save Me, O God: for the waters are come in unto My soul; I sink in deep mire, where there Is no standing. Hear my prayer, O Lord: and let my cry come unto Thee. Thou shalt arise and have mercy upon Zion: for the time is come to favor her, yea, the set time is come.

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Holy Saturday / Easter Eve Vigil Liturgical Color: Purple

THE COLLECT

(H) O GOD, Who didst enlighten this most holy night with the glory of the Lord's Resurrection: Preserve in all Thy people the spirit of adoption which Thou hast given, so that renewed in body and soul they may perform unto Thee a pure service; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever One God, world without end. Amen.

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Easter Monday Liturgical Color: White

THE COLLECT

Lord God, heavenly Father, who didst reveal Thy son to the two disciples on the way to Emmaus: We beseech Thee to enlighten our hearts also by Thy Word and by Thy Holy spirit, that we may become established in the faith, hold fast to Thy Word, delight to speak thereof, and diligently meditate thereon, that although, according to the example of Christ, we must suffer much evil on earth, we nevertheless may have and retain a sure comfort in Thy Word, until, after this life, we shall be raised unto eternal life, through the same, Thy son, who liveth and reignest with Thee and the Holy Ghost, on true God, world without end. Amen

Or you may use:

O GOD, who in the Paschal Feast hast bestowed restoration upon the world, continue unto Thy peop1e Thy heavenly gift that they may both attain unto perfect freedom and advance unto life eternal; through Jesus Christ Thy Son, our Lord, who llveth, and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

O GOD, who through the resurrection of Thy Son didst bestow life and freedom upon the world, continue, we beseech Thee, these Thy gifts unto Thy people that they both walk in perfect freedom and attain unto life eternal; through the same Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth, and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (Liturgical Text; Psalm 105:1)

The Lord hath brought you into a land flowing with milk and honey, Hallelujah!: that His Law might be continually in your mouth. Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Oh, give thanks unto the Lord; call upon His name: make known His deeds among the people. Glory be to the Father, ~~~

THE PERICOPES

(H) Old Testament: Hosea 13:14 Epistle: Acts 10:34-41 Gospel: Luke 24:13-35 (SL) Epistle: 1 Corinthians 15:12-20 Gospel: John 20:1-18

THE GRADUAL (Psalm 118:24, 2; Luke 24:32)

THIS is the day which the LORD hath made : we will rejoice and be glad in it. Let Israel now say: that His mercy endureth forever. Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Did not our hearts burn within us while He talked with us by the way: and while He opened to us the Scriptures? Hallelujah.

THE HALLELUJAH (1 Corinthians 5:7)

Hallelujah! Christ, our Passover, is sacrificed for us. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> But chiefly are we bound to praise Thee for the glorious resurrection of Thy Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord; for He is the very Paschal Lamb which was offered for us and bath taken away the sins of the world; who by His death hath destroyed death and by His rising to life again hath restored to us everlasting life. Therefore, >>>
Easter Tuesday Liturgical Color: White

THE COLLECT

ALMIGHTY GOD, who through the resurrection of Thy Son didst secure peace for our troubled conscience, grant unto us evermore this peace, that, trusting in the merit of Thy Son, we at length come unto the perfect peace of heaven; through the same Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth, and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

O ALMIGHTY and eternal God, who hast bestowed on us the paschal mysteries in the token of the covenant of man's redemption, give us the will to show forth in our lives that which we profess with our lips; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth, and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Or you may use:

O ALMIGHTY and eternal God, who through the resurrection of Thy Son hast sealed the covenant of man's reconciliation, grant unto us who joy in this Thy covenant grace to show forth in our lives that which we profess with our lips; through the same Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth, and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (*Liturgical Text; Psalm 105:1*)

He gave them to drink of the water of wisdom, and They will be strengthened thereby, and they shall not be moved, Hallelujah!: and it will exalt them forever. Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Oh, give thanks unto the Lord; call upon His name: make known His deeds among the people. Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES

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THE GRADUAL (Psalm 118:24, 2; Luke 24:32)

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Pentecost Eve Vigil (Saturday) Liturgical Color: Red

THE COLLECT

O GOD, who hath promised to give Thy Holy Spirit to Thine Apostles, grant unto Thy people the performance of their petitions, so that on us, to whom Thou hast given faith, Thou mayest bestow also peace; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth, and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (*Ezekiel 39:29; Psalm 81:1*)

Hallelujah!: Neither will I hide my face any more from them: for I have poured out my spirit upon the house of Israel, saith the Lord God. Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Sing aloud unto God, our Strength: make a joyful noise unto the God of Jacob. Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES

Old Testament: Ezekiel 36:26-27 Epistle: Acts 1:4-5 Gospel: John 14:16-18, 26; 16:13

THE GRADUAL (Luke 24:49; Liturgical Text)

Hallelujah! Hallelujah! And, behold, I send the promise of my Father upon you. Hallelujah! Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful: and kindle in them the fire of Thy love. Hallelujah!

THE HALLELUJAH (Luke 24:49)

Hallelujah! And, behold, I send the promise of my Father upon you. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who ascended above the heavens and, sitting on Thy right hand, shall pour out the Holy Spirit, as He hath promised: upon all those who believeth in Thee. Therefore, >>>

Note: There has been a move to include a Pentecost Eve Vigil in the Liturgical Cycle like the Easter Eve Vigil. No known historical Propers. Possible suggestions are given in the LBW and ELW. The above was compiled by the compiler (RHO)

Note: The Collect is a variation of the (H) Collect for Pentecost Sunday, but using: who hath promised **Note:** The Pericopes provided by the compiler (RHO)

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Note: The Gradual uses the Liturgical Text used in other historical sections

Note: The Proper Preface for Pentecost except for the phrase: upon all those who believeth in Thee.

Monday of Whitsun-week Liturgical Color: Red

THE COLLECT

(H) O GOD, who didst give Thy Holy Spirit to Thine Apostles, grant unto Thy people the performance of their petitions, so that on us, to whom Thou hast given faith, Thou mayest bestow also peace; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth, and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

THE INTROIT (*Psalm 81:16, 1*)

He fed them with the finest of the wheat, Hallelujah!: and with honey out of the rock He satisfied them. Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Sing aloud unto God, our Strength: make a joyful noise unto the God of Jacob. Glory be to the Father, ~~~

THE PERICOPES

 (H) Old Testament: Isaiah 32:14-20 Epistle: Acts 16:42-48 * Gospel: John 3:16-21 Note: * End "In the name of the Lord"
 (SL) Epistle: Acts 2:42-47 Gospel: John 4:5-26

THE GRADUAL (Acts 2:11; Liturgical Text)

Hallelujah! Hallelujah! The Apostles spake with other tongues the wonderful works of God. Hallelujah! Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful: and kindle in them the fire of Thy love. Hallelujah!

THE HALLELUJAH (Psalm 104:30)

Hallelujah! Thou sendest forth Thy Spirit, they are created: and Thou renewest the face of the earth. Hallelujah!

THE PROPER PREFACE

>>> Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who ascended above the heavens and, sitting on Thy right hand poured out on this day the Holy Spirit, as He hath promised, upon the chosen disciples; whereat the whole earth rejoices with exceeding joy. Therefore, >>>

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THE COLLECT

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THE INTROIT (2 Ezras 2:36-37**; Psalm 78:1)

Receive the joy of your glory, Hallelujah! giving thanks to God, Hallelujah!: who has called you to His heavenly kingdom. Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Give ear, O My people, to My Law: incline your ears to the words of My mouth. Glory be to the Father, >>>

THE PERICOPES

(SL) Epistle: Acts 8:14-17 Gospel: John 10:1-10

THE GRADUAL (Acts 2:11; Liturgical Text)

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****Note: 2 Esdras** or the Jewish Apocalypse of Ezra is found in the King James Version with Apocrypha of the Bible and as 4 Esdras in the Roman Catholic Version of the Bible.

Other Observances and Feasts

Note: Observances more of modern inclusion within the Lutheran Church. These are usually found in Roman Catholic and Eastern Orthodox traditions. The following is a list from the LCMS Lutheran Service Book:

Confession of St. Peter (Jan 18) St. Timothy, pastor and Confessor (Jan 24) St. Titus, Pastor and Confessor (Jan 26) St. Joseph, Guardian of Jesus (Mar 19) St. Barnabas, Apostle (Jun 11) St. Mary Magdalene (July 22) St. Mary, Mother of our Lord (Aug 15) Martyrdom of St. John the Baptist (Aug 29) Holy Cross Day (Sept 14) St. James of Jerusalem, Brother of Jesus, Martyr (Oct 23)

Independent Lutheran Diocese



Altar Panel at Torslunde Church, Denmark ca. 1561

Common Liturgy



The Common Liturgy

Note: * denotes the music as per the 1941 The Lutheran Hymnal if sung.

Call to Worship Prayer Face Altar

<P> Let us pray: O Lord, our Maker, Redeemer and Comforter, we are assembled in Thy presence to hear Thy Holy Word. We pray Thee to open our hearts by Thy Holy Spirit, that through the preaching of Thy Word we may be taught to repent of our sins, to believe on Jesus in life and in death, and to grow day by day in grace and holiness. Hear us for Christ's sake.

<C> Amen.

Hymn

Collect of the Day Face Altar

Note: Changes each service

<P>: Let us pray. <P>: Here insert the Collect of the Day <C>: * Amen

Hymn

Confession and Absolution

P>: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy GhostC>: * Amen.

<P>: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

<P>: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

<C>: * Who made heaven and earth.

<P>: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.

<C>: * And Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.

Confession of Sins Face Altar

The confession of sins wording may be changed each service. (I or We may be used)

<C>: Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, I, a poor sinner confess unto Thee that I am by nature sinful and unclean, and that I have sinned against Thee by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore I flee for refuge to Thine infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Thy grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ. I am heartily sorry for our sins in which I have gravely offended Thee and sincerely repent of them. O most merciful God, who hast given Thine only begotten Son to die for me, have mercy upon me, and for His sake grant me remission of all my sins. By Thy Holy Spirit increase in me a true knowledge of Thee, and of Thy will, and true obedience to Thy Word, that by Thy grace I may come to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Silent time of reflection and self confession to God

The following verse of forgiveness may be changed at each service Face Congregation

<P>: Hear then, the promise from the Holy Scriptures which God has promised those who truly repent of their sins and in faith turn unto Him for forgiveness through His Son Jesus Christ our Lord who bled and died for our sins upon the Cross: 'As far as the east is from the west, so far hath he removed our transgressions from us' (Psalm 103:12)

<P>: In the presence of a Holy and Righteous God, who searches the heart: Do you confess that not only have you sinned, but are repenting of your sins, believing only upon Jesus Christ's finished work on Calvary for your salvation, and do you desire forgiveness in His Name? If so answer: I do.

<P>: Upon this your confession, I by virtue of my office as an ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God to all of you who truly repent, and affirm His promise of forgiveness unto you in the Name of the Father, Son + and Holy Spirit. May Our Lord comfort your Heart by His Holy Absolution, and strengthen you by His Sacraments, that your joy may be full!

The Introit Face Altar changes each service.

<P>: Here insert the Introit

Gloria Patri

<C>: * Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

The Kyrie

<C>: * Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

The Glory In Excelsis

<C>: * Glory be to God on high. And on earth peace, good will toward men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory. O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, That takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord. Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Salutation Face Congregation

<P>: The Lord be with you. Bow <C>: * And with thy spirit.

The Collect for the Word Face Altar

<P>: Let us pray: Blessed Lord, who hast caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning, grant that we may indeed hear them, read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them, that by the patience and comfort of Thy Holy Word we may embrace, and ever hold fast, the blessed hope of everlasting life, which Thou has given us in our Savior Jesus Christ, Amen

<C>: *Amen

Face Congregation

Here may the Psalmody be inserted if desired. It should be read responsively, Pastor first verse, Congregations second verse, etc. (see 1941 TLH p 164-165)

The Old Testament Lesson

<P> The Old Testament Lesson for today is taken from Reference <P> Here read the Old Testament Lesson <P> This is the Word of the Lord <C> Thanks be to God

The Gradual

Gradual changes each service <P> Hear then the Words of the Gradual: <P> Here insert the Gradual.

The Epistle Lesson

<P>: The Epistle Lesson for today is taken from Reference <P> Here read the Epistle Lesson <P> This is the Word of the Lord <C> Thanks be to God

The Halelujah

Halleujah changes each season

<P> Here insert the Hallelujah

The Holy Gospel Lesson

<P> Please rise out of respect for the reading of the Gospel.
<P> The Holy Gospel is written in Reference
<C> *Glory be to Thee, O Lord
<P> Here read the Gospel Lesson
<P> Here ends the Gospel lesson for today.

<C> *Glory be to Thee ,O Christ!

<P> Let us then affirm our Christian Faith by reciting the Apostle's Creed: Face Altar

The Apostle's Creed (or the Nicene Creed may be used)

<C> I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy Christian Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

HYMN

Note: Pastor may insert here a Sermon for children of the Parish, if there are any.

Sermon

<P> Now may the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

The Offertory Face Altar

<C> * Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me, Cast me not away from Thy presence; and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation; and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

The General Prayer Face Altar

<P> Here say the General Prayer

The Communion Hymn

The Preface Face Congregation

<P>: The Lord be with you. Bow <C> * And with thy spirit. <P> Lift up your hearts. <C> * We lift them up unto the Lord.

<P> Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

<C> * It is truly meet and right so to do.

The Proper Preface Face Altar

Changes according to season

<P> It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks unto Thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God: *>Here insert The Proper Preface<* therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Thy glorious name, evermore praising Thee and saying:

The Sanctus

<C> * Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth. Heaven and earth are fill of Thy glory Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He, Blessed is He, Blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.

<P> Join me in singing (or reciting) the prayer that Our Lord taught us to pray:

The Lord's Prayer

May also be sung (*popular version)

<C> 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 (*debts) trespasses, As we forgive (*our debtors) 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.

Liturgy for Holy Communion Face Congregation

Note: The Independent Lutheran Diocese may use wine and/or Concord Grape Juice in lieu of wine as there are young adults (confirmed) and those who have allergies to wine or are recovering alcoholics.

<P> The Independent Lutheran Diocese believes in the Real Presence, meaning that we receive in, with, and under the bread and wine the true body and blood of Christ shed on the cross. (1Cor. 10:16). Only such, who have been taught to "discern the Lord's Body" and have been sufficiently instructed to "examine" themselves for worthy reception (1 Corinthians 11:28) may partake of the Holy Supper.

<P> The Lord's Table is open to those who fully agree with the following statements:

- I confess that I am a sinner in need of God's forgiveness, and I repent.
- I believe in the Holy Trinity and that Jesus Christ is my only Savior from sin, death and the power of Satan, and is also Lord of my life.
- I believe that Christ is really present in the Sacrament, and that with the bread and wine, I receive His true Body and Blood.
- I resolve to dedicate my life to my Lord and Savior in His Body, the Holy Christian Church, by regular worship and devoted Christian service and living.

The Exhortation

<P> Dearly Beloved! Forasmuch as we purpose to come to the Holy Supper of our Lord Jesus Christ, we must therefore diligently examine ourselves, as St. Paul exhorts us to do. For this Holy Sacrament has been instituted for the special comfort and strengthening of those who humbly confess their sins, and who hunger and thirst after righteousness. The benefit is great if we, with a true penitent heart and in real faith receive that Holy Sacrament. So also is the danger great, if we receive the same unworthily. Judge therefore yourselves, that you be not judged of the Lord; repent truly for your sins past; have a true and steadfast faith in Christ our Savior; amend your lives, and be in perfect charity with all men; so that you can be partakers of the holy mysteries. If we thus examine ourselves, we shall find in us nothing but sin and death, from which we can in no wise set ourselves free. Therefore our Lord Jesus Christ has had mercy upon us, and has taken upon Himself our nature, that so He might fulfill for us the whole will and law of God; and for us and for our deliverance suffered death and all that we, by our sins, have deserved. Then we should more confidently believe this, be strengthened by our faith, and cheerfully be obedient to His will, because He has instituted the Holy Sacrament of His Supper, in which He gives us His Body to eat, and His Blood to drink. Therefore whoever eats of this bread, and drinks of this cup, firmly believing the words of Christ, dwells in Christ, and Christ in him, and has eternal life. To this end may God the Father grant you His grace, through our Lord Jesus Christ, Amen.

Words of Institution

<P> Listen then to the Words of Institution as recorded in Scripture: The Lord Jesus the same night in which he was betrayed took bread: And when he had given thanks, he brake it, and said, Take, eat: this is + My Body, which is broken for you: this do in remembrance of me. After the same manner also he took the cup, when he had supped, saying, this cup is the + New Testament in my blood: this do ye, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of me.

The Pax Domini

<P> The peace of the Lord be with you always! Bow <C> * Amen.

The Agnus Dei (A Prayer to Our Lord) Face Altar

<C> O Christ, Thou Lamb of God That takest away the sin of the world Have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God That takest away the sin of the world Have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God That takest away the sin of the world Grant us Thy peace. Amen.

Face Congregation

<P>: Come, His Table is prepared for you.

The Distribution

Various forms may be used depending on the size of the congregation. May be taken to the pew for those who cannot come forward or small groups, larger may come forward and either stand or kneel.

For the body say: Take eat. This is the true body of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ given for you.

For the 'wine' say: Drink all of it. This is the true Blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ shed for the remission of your sins.

For unconfirmed children of the Congregation say: May your true baptismal covenant strengthen and preserve you in the one true faith.

Upon dismissal or end of the distribution say: Now may this true Body and true Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in the one true faith unto life everlasting. Depart in peace and great joy, knowing your sins are forgiven you.

The Nunc Dimittis Face Altar (Simeon's Song of Joyful Thanksgiving for Our Salvation)

<C> * Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace According to Thy Word For mine eyes have seen Thy salvation Which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people A Light to lighten the Gentiles, And the glory of Thy People Israel Glory be to the Father and to the Son And to the Holy Ghost As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be World without end. Amen.

The Thanksgiving Face Altar

<P>: Oh, give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good.

<C>: * And His mercy endureth forever

<P>: (*Face Altar*) Let us pray: We give thanks to Thee, Almighty God, that Thou hast refreshed us through this salutary gift and we beseech Thee that of Thy mercy Thou wouldst strengthen us through the same in faith toward Thee and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with Thee and the Holy Ghost ever one God, world without end.

<C>: * Amen.

The Salutation Face Congregation <P>: The Lord be with you. Bow <C>: * And with thy spirit.

The Benedicamus and Benediction

May use other Scriptural benedictions

<P>: Bless we the Lord

<C>: Thanks be to God.

<P>: The Lord bless thee and keep thee. The Lord make His face shine upon thee and be gracious unto thee. The Lord lift up His countenance upon thee and give thee peace. Amen

<C> *Amen, Amen, Amen

The Doxology

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.

Closing Hymn

Passing of the Peace (may be omitted)

May use other similar phrases <C> The peace of the Lord be with you.

Announcements

<P>: Depart in Peace to serve the Lord and be His witnesses!



Appendix

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Note: the following Confession of Sins may be used in the Liturgy along with a suggested Scripture verse. The first is the Historical Lutheran Confession found in virtually all Lutheran Hymnals, other Confession of Sins not here listed, may be found in other Lutheran Hymnals. The rest are a collection compiled by B. B. Comegys (1819-1900) which he had collected from other sources). (Can use either I or we)

(H) ALMIGHTY GOD, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto Thee, that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against Thee by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Thine infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Thy grace, for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ. Most Merciful God, Who

hast given Thine Only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us, and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins: and by Thy Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of Thee, and of Thy will, and true obedience to Thy Word, to the end that by Thy grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (Psalm 103:12)

(VD) Lord God, heavenly Father, we confess that we are poor, wretched sinners, and that there is no good in us, our hearts, flesh and blood being so corrupted by sin, that we never in this life can be without sinful lust and concupiscence; therefore we beseech Thee, dear Father, forgive us these sins, and let Thy Holy Spirit so cleanse our hearts that we may desire and love Thy word, abide by it, and thus by Thy grace be forever saved; through our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son. Amen (Jeremiah 33:8)

Almighty and most merciful Father, we acknowledge and confess before Thy holy majesty that we are sinners, conceived and born in guilt and corruption, prone to do evil, who, by reason of our depravity, transgress without end Thy holy commandments. Wherefore we have drawn upon ourselves by Thy just sentence, condemnation and death. Nevertheless, Lord, with heartfelt sorrow we repent and deplore our offences; and we condemn ourselves and our evil ways with a true repentance, beseeching that Thy grace may relieve our distress. Have compassion upon us, O most gracious God! Father of all mercies; for the sake of Thy Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord and only Redeemer. And, in removing our guilt and pollution, set us free; and grant us the daily increase of Thy Holy Spirit; to the end that, acknowledging from our hearts our unrighteousness, we may be touched with a sorrow that shall work true repentance, and that this may mortify all our sins, and thereby bear the fruit of holiness and righteousness that shall be well-pleasing to Thee, through Jesus Christ, our Lord and only Savior. Amen (Isaiah 1:18)

We confess our sins before thee, O God, Thou righteous Judge, to whom all things are known. We have done evil in Thy sight, transgressing Thy law, which is holy, just and good; and we are verily guilty before thee; but Thou art faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Justify us freely by Thy grace, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus; that, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, we may serve Thee in holiness and righteousness all our days, through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. May we hear His voice; may we know the doctrine which He hath taught us; may we render a willing obedience to His precepts; may we follow His example; and, finally, may we receive those exceeding great and precious promises which He hath given us. Grant this, we beseech Thee, Lord, through Jesus Christ, who is our Prophet, our Priest, and our King. (1 John 1:8-9)

We confess before thee, God, our Heavenly Father, that we are sinners; for we have transgressed thy holy laws in thought, word, and deed. We have not loved thee with all our hearts; neither have we loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have loved the world, and the things that are of the world, and have not set our affection on things above, or laid up our treasure in heaven, where Christ, our risen Lord, sitteth at thy right hand. Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hast in thy gospel proclaimed remission of sins to all them that believe in the name of thy Son, and repent of their transgressions against thee; confirm us, we beseech thee, in the faith and hope of this thy promise; and so work in us by thy Holy Spirit, that we may embrace and hold fast thy truth in a pure conscience unto the end,

and also may bring forth fruits meet for repentance; that being justified freely by thy grace, and walking continually in the way of thy commandments, we may glorify thy holy name, and may know that we are indeed thy children, and heirs of the kingdom which thou hast promised to them that love thee. Amen (Isaiah 55:7)

Lord, have mercy upon us; for we daily sin against thee, transgressing thy holy laws, failing of the duty thou requirest of us, and grieving thy Spirit of grace. Through Jesus Christ thy Son, who ever liveth in thy presence in heaven, our High-Priest and Mediator, be pleased, Lord, merciful Father, to blot out all our offences, our ignorances and negligences, our unfaithfulness in thy service, our sloth and pride, our love of the world, and all our secret faults and presumptuous sins, by which we have been disobedient unto thy heavenly calling, and have merited thy just displeasure. If thou shouldst enter into judgment, we could not stand; but there is mercy with thee that thou mayest be feared. Amen (1 John 2:12)

We confess that we are sinners, O God; for we have transgressed thy holy laws, and done despite to thy good Spirit, and walked in counsels of our own. We acknowledge that we have not loved thee with all our heart, nor believed thy faithful word, nor hoped for thy promises, but have been disobedient and rebellious. Neither have we been sober and watchful, nor have we mortified the deeds of the body: but our hearts have been overcharged with cares and pleasures of this life, and we have been too much conformed to the world. Our own hearts condemn us, and thou art greater than our hearts and knowest all things. Forgive us, Lord, we beseech thee, for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen (Ephesians 1:7)

O God, thou searcher of hearts, in whom there is no darkness, and from whom our sins cannot be covered, we humble ourselves before Thy holy majesty; we confess that we have been foolish, rebellious, deceived. We have been unthankful for thy mercies, distrustful of thy promises, disobedient to thy commands, and by our great wickedness have provoked thee to cast us off from thy favor and fellowship. Behold, we return unto thee, our God, from whose ways we have so grievously departed, and implore thy pardon for all our sin and folly. Forgive us, we beseech thee; forgive thy people, whom thou hast redeemed with the most precious blood of thy dear Son create in us clean and contrite hearts, and grant unto us thy heavenly grace, that we turn not again unto folly; and help us heartily to forgive others, as we beseech thee to forgive us, and to serve thee henceforth in newness of life, to the glory of thy holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen (Hebrews 8:12)

We confess unto Thee that we have sinned, we have done wickedly, departing from the living God; transgressing in thought, word and deed thy most righteous laws, and resisting thy Holy Spirit; therefore we cry unto thee: Lord, have mercy upon us. Before thee, the Judge of the world and the Searcher of hearts, whose eyes behold the evil and the good, and to whom all things are naked and open, we do confess our sins, and acknowledge our great iniquity; Lord, we entreat thee, have mercy upon us. Heavenly Father, who didst send forth thy Son, in the fullness of time, bring near thy salvation, grant unto us repentance and remission of sins, according to the riches of thy grace; and bless us by turning every one of us away from all iniquity. O God, let it please thee not to cut us down; but spare us, and so quicken us by thy grace, that we may live no longer unto ourselves, but unto him who died for us and rose again,

and whom thou hast exalted at thy right hand, that he may be Lord both of the dead and of the living. Amen (2 Chronicles 7:14)

We confess unto thee, Father Almighty, Lord of heaven and earth, our sins which we have committed against thee, and against the law of Christ. We confess unto thee the wickedness of our hearts, out of which have proceeded all manner of evil thoughts and acts, and we are without excuse before thee. But especially, God, we bewail those things which are the present burden of our heart and conscience. For all our sins and transgressions, our iniquities and offences, which Thou bringest to our remembrance, we cast ourselves upon thy mercy; and those which, through ignorance or carelessness, through foolishness, or the sinful darkness of our heart, we remember not, but which thou, who knowest all secrets, seest that we have committed against thee, do thou forgive; and cleanse us from them all, for thy mercy's sake, Lord. And accept our confession, and make our repentance sincere, through Jesus Christ. Amen (Psalms 32:1-2)

Most gracious Father, forgive, we humbly beseech thee, our many and grievous transgressions. Take from us all impurity of thought or desire; all envy, pride, and hypocrisy; all falsehood and deceit; all covetousness, vain-glory, and indolence; all malice and anger; and everything that is contrary to thy will. Lord, make clean our hearts within us. Save us, Lord God, from ingratitude towards thee, from an evil use of thy fatherly gifts, from mistrust of thy divine Providence, from impatience and despondency, from immoderate care for temporal things, and from neglect of those things which are eternal. Save us, Lord we pray. Amen (Colossians 1:13-14)

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep; we have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts; we have offended against thy holy laws; we have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done, and there is no health in us. But thou, Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders; spare thou those, God, who confess their faults; restore thou those who are penitent, according to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord; and grant, most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous and sober life, to the glory of thy holy name. Amen. (Psalm 86: 5)

ALMIGHTY GOD, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid, cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy name; through Christ our Lord. We come before thee, under a deep sense of our unworthiness and guilt. We have grievously sinned against thee in thought, in word, and in deed; we have come short of thy glory; we have broken thy commandments, and turned aside every one of us from the way of life, and in us there is no soundness nor health. Forgive us our sins and remember not the evil thoughts and unlawful desires of our lives. Lord, in all these things have mercy upon us. Forgive our neglect of thy mercies, the hardness of our hearts at thy goodness, and the forgetful ness of thy chastisements. O Lord, in all these things have mercy upon us. From pride and covetousness,

from slander, vain-glory, and hypocrisy, from the great guilt of tempting others to sin, from the unhappiness of being ourselves perverted, from ignorance of thy will and neglect of what we know to be our duty, from denying thee before men for worldly ends, from the temptations to which by nature we are most exposed, and from going back into any sins of which we have repented, Good Lord, deliver us, we pray. Amen (1 John 2:1)

Have mercy upon us miserable sinners. Remember not, Lord, our offences; neither take thou vengeance of our former sins, spare thy people which thou hast redeemed with thy most precious blood, and be not angry with us forever. Spare us, Lord from all vain imaginations and delusions, from the sin that doth so easily beset us. Deliver us from the temptations of the world, the flesh, and the devil, from all unhallowed and sinful affections, from all defilements of soul and spirit, from unbelief and contempt of thy word and commandments. Lord, deliver us from a wicked and hardened heart, from pride, covetousness and hypocrisy, from envy, hatred and all uncharitableness. Deliver us O Lord from all rash judging and evil speaking, from begrudging others' good, or repining at our own harm, from all murmuring at thy providences, and from a stubborn and rebellious mind. We long to repent of these our sins and we humbly seek Thy forgiveness through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen (Isaiah 43:25)

We confess that we are unthankful and evil; for we have not rendered unto Thee according to the benefits received; we have not used our faculties and opportunities to Thy glory, remembering that they are all Thy gifts; neither have we glorified Thee, our heavenly Master, with our bodies and our spirits, which are Thine. We have indeed been unfaithful stewards of Thy bounty and unprofitable servants. Pardon our iniquity, O Lord, for it is great. Wherein this day we have not feared and loved Thee, or have transgressed the law of charity, not loving our neighbor as ourselves; nor doing good as we have had opportunity; or have set our affections on things below, so that the love of the Father hath not been in us; or have indulged any sinful affection or unholy desire or passion; or have by our negligence and corruption grieved the Holy Spirit – we beseech Thee, Lord, of Thy great mercy to forgive us our sins and purify us from all our defilements. And to this end, work in us a sincere repentance, and grant, that being redeemed from the power of sin, we may serve Thee in newness of life and bring forth fruits worthy of repentance, to the glory of Thy holy name. Amen (Colossians 2:13)