

# Brief Service of Holy Communion

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church  
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*Please remain in your car or at your designated seating area with your mask on throughout the service.*

*In 2020 the ELCA marks the fiftieth anniversary of the ordination of women. For this celebration the following thanksgiving at the table was commissioned by the ELCA and written by Gail Ramshaw for use in worship at its 2019 Churchwide Assembly.*

*Any offering you wish to share with the church may be dropped off in designated locations.*

## Gathering

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

**And also with you.**

## Confession and Forgiveness

Let us confess our sins in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence may be kept for reflection.*

**Most merciful God, we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of ✠ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.  
Amen.

## Meal

*At this time, the elements of communion may be brought out and prepared for each worshipping group. Please keep your masks on.*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. With all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name.

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

All praise to you, glorious God of grace.

Throughout the ages you have blessed us with foremothers of the faith.

With Sarah, we bless you for your gift of life.

*Gen. 18:12*

With Ruth, we praise you for family and food.

*Ruth 4:13*

With Miriam, we celebrate our escape from the foe.

*Exodus 15:21*

Remembering Deborah,

we honor the words of your prophets.

*Judges 4:4-5*

Remembering the woman at the well,

we laud you for living water.

*John 4:29*

Remembering Junia, we thank you for those who minister among your people.

*Romans 16:7*

One with the daughter of Jairus,

we wake to life in you.

*Mark 5:41-42*

With Mary, we magnify your name:

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,  
**my spirit rejoices in God my Savior.**

*Luke 1:46*

Remembering Martha and Mary,  
we join Jesus at this meal.

*Luke 10:38-39*

Living, he healed the bleeding woman;

*Mark 5:29*

dying, he cared for his mother;

*John 19:26-27*

risen, he sent Mary Magdalene in mission.

*John 20:14-18*

On the night before he died,

he took bread, and gave thanks,

broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood,

shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

With Mary, again we magnify your name:  
My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,  
**my spirit rejoices in God my Savior.**

Mighty God of mercy,

as you heard the prayers of Hannah,  
so now hear us.

Send your Spirit on this bread and wine,  
that sharing the body and blood of Christ  
we become his body in the world.

Send your Spirit on this assembly, that like Phoebe,  
we serve one another with zeal.

Send your Spirit on the church, that like Anna,  
we tell others of your mercy.

Send your Spirit into our hearts, that like Dorcas,  
we care for the poor and needy.

*1 Samuel 1:27*

*Romans 16:1*

*Luke 2:38*

*Acts 9:40-41*

All praise to you, powerful God of peace.

We adore you, our God,

Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,

you who mother and feed and comfort us,  
today, tomorrow, and forever.

**Amen.**

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

**Our Father, who art in heaven,**

**hallowed be thy name,**

**thy kingdom come,**

**thy will be done,**

**on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread;**

**and forgive us our trespasses,**

**as we forgive those**

**who trespass against us;**

**and lead us not into temptation,**

**but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,**

**and the power, and the glory,**

**forever and ever. Amen.**

Taste and see that the Lord is good.

*Masks may be removed, hands may be sanitized, and then communion may be received as directed:*

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

*and the communicant may respond, "Amen." Silence for reflection may follow.*

*Please put masks back on and sanitize your hands.*

Let us pray.

Almighty God, you provide the true bread from heaven, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant that we who have received the sacrament of his body and blood may abide in him and he in us, that we may be filled with the power of his endless life, now and forever.

**Amen.**

**Sending**

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.

**Amen.**

We say the vision statement together:

**To make the grace and love of Jesus known to all: in our home, congregation, community, and world.**

Be at peace. Christ is with you.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Please await instructions to leave the parking lot or to move to your vehicle.*

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