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Preparing for Worship

As you prepare for God's action in your life today, set aside the busy-ness and distractions of your everyday routine. We invite you to

- in your Bible or Hymnal, read through today's appointed psalm: **PSALM 68:1-10**
- Review today's Scripture readings in the bulletin
- Focus on the Lord in prayer. Sample prayers are on the inside front cover of the hymnal, or feel free to use our usual pre-service prayer:

Prayer before Worship

O Lord, my Creator, Redeemer, and Comforter, as I come to worship You in spirit and in truth, I humbly pray that You would open my heart to the preaching of Your Word so that I may repent of my sins, believe in Jesus Christ as my only Savior, and grow in grace and holiness. Hear me for the sake of His name. Amen.

*Please feel free to participate further in this modified service
by reading aloud the lines in bold marked for congregational participation*

Invocation

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their baptism.

P In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

P Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

Confession of Sin

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P Gracious Father, You daily bless us with mercy, yet we still go astray.
So we confess our sin to You.

A time of silence is observed.

C **I have sinned against You, mighty God, in thought, word, and deed.**

P We have acted in selfish ways that betray the love for our neighbors that
You desire us to show and to give.

C **I have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed.**

P We have spoken hurtful words that betray the life and healing that You
freely give us in Christ.

C **I have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed.**

P We have said and done things that betray the oneness in Christ that You
have given to Your people as a gift.

C **Forgive me. Restore me. Bring new life to me.**

Declaration of Grace

P Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe on His name He gives power to become the children of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believes and is baptized shall be saved.

Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

C Amen.

† Service of the Word †

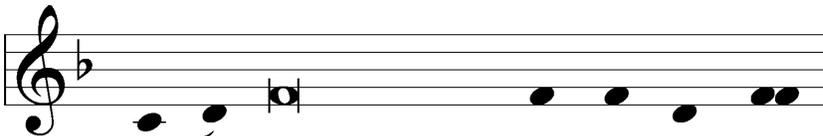
Entrance Hymn

“Crown Him with Many Crowns” v. 1

LSB 525

1 Crown Him with many crowns,
The Lamb upon His throne;
Hark how the heav'nly anthem drowns
All music but its own.
Awake, my soul, and sing
Of Him who died for thee,
And hail Him as thy matchless king
Through all eternity.

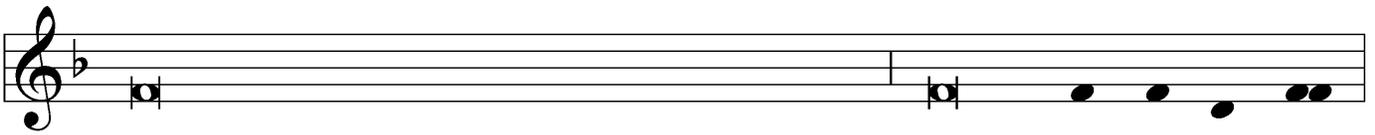
Kyrie



A In peace let us pray to the Lord.



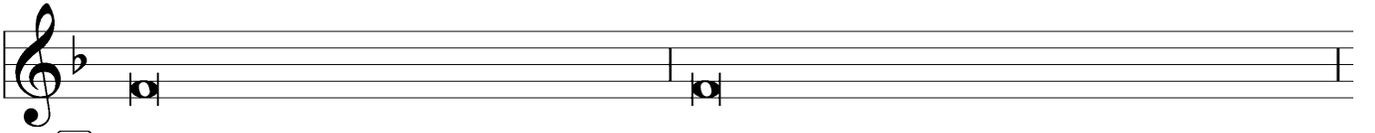
C Lord, have mer - cy.



A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



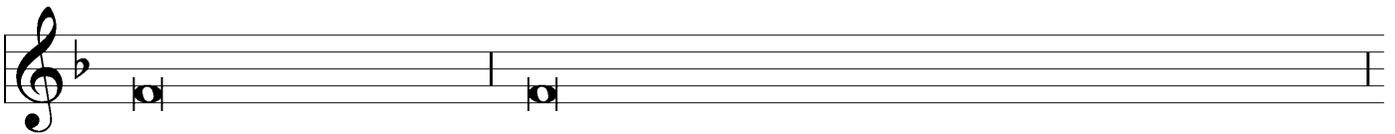
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



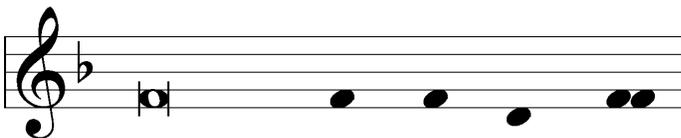
and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



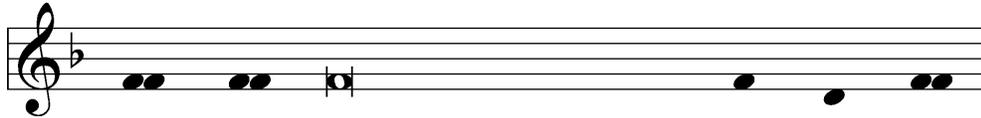
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



C A - men.

Collect of the Day

P Let us pray.

You are the King of glory, O Christ; You are the everlasting Son of the Father, now seated at His right hand.

C As You send Your Holy Spirit to us, give us stronger faith to endure all trials and live in the hope of eternal life;

P for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Epistle

1 Peter 4:12-19; 5:6-11

¹² Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery trial when it comes upon you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. ¹³ But rejoice insofar as you share Christ's sufferings, that you may also rejoice and be glad when his glory is revealed. ¹⁴ If you are insulted for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you. ¹⁵ But let none of you suffer as a murderer or a thief or an evildoer or as a meddler. ¹⁶ Yet if anyone suffers as a Christian, let him not be ashamed, but let him glorify God in that name. ¹⁷ For it is time for judgment to begin at the household of God; and if it begins with us, what will be the outcome for those who do not obey the gospel of God? ¹⁸ And

When Jesus had spoken these words, he lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, “Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son that the Son may glorify you,² since you have given him authority over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him.³ And this is eternal life, that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent.⁴ I glorified you on earth, having accomplished the work that you gave me to do.⁵ And now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had with you before the world existed.

⁶“I have manifested your name to the people whom you gave me out of the world. Yours they were, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word.⁷ Now they know that everything that you have given me is from you.⁸ For I have given them the words that you gave me, and they have received them and have come to know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me.⁹ I am praying for them. I am not praying for the world but for those whom you have given me, for they are yours.¹⁰ All mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I am glorified in them.¹¹ And I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Hymn of the Day

“O Love, How Deep” vs. 1-3, 6-7

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Sermon

“Celebrating Glory”

John 17:1-11

Apostles' Creed

- 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 Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.
- I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life † everlasting. Amen.**

Prayer of the Church

Prayer for Memorial Day

- P Lord God, heavenly Father, on this Memorial Day weekend we give you thanks for the countless blessings You have bestowed on our nation, our communities, and our families.**
- C Guard and keep those who travel. Sustain all who know the pain of separation from loved ones who have died and gone home to be with You.**
- P Continue to guide and strengthen all who serve in the armed forces, giving them wisdom, honor, and confidence in You above all things.**
- C Let us never forget those who gave the full measure of their devotion to You by serving faithfully until death to serve the cause of protecting the weak and preserving liberty for us and for the world.**
- P Bring peace everywhere through your saving Word of Gospel in the Savior. We pray these things in the name of Your Holy Son, our precious Lord and Good Shepherd, Jesus Christ.**
- C Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

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

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 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.**

Closing Collect

P Thank You, Lord God, that You bind us together as Your Body in the world, You feed our deepest hunger, and You quench our deepest thirst.

C **O Lord, grow in us the power of Your Word and Spirit to live and speak Your Word clearly and faithfully in the midst of this needy world, which You love;**

P through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C A - men.

Benediction

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and † give you peace.



C A - men.

Sending

P Go in Peace; serve the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God!**

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