

The Retiring Procession Hymn

Please STAND when the organ sounds and BOW when the processional crucifix passes.

“RISE, MY SOUL, TO WATCH AND PRAY”

The Lutheran Hymnal # 446

Organ introduction by J. O. Bender (1909-1994)

The Postlude

Wake, Awake, for Night is Flying — P. Manz (1919-2009)

Holy Mass

**LAST SUNDAY IN THE CHURCH YEAR
WITH HOLY BAPTISM**

It is a laudable custom to kneel in prayer when entering the pew.

It is a laudable custom to bow the head whenever the holy name of Jesus is mentioned in the Mass and at those points marked with a diamond (♦).

At those points marked with a cross (✠), it is a laudable custom to cross oneself.

The Prelude

Wake, Awake, for Night is Flying — J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

The Bells

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism

The baptismal party consists of the Pastor, the candidates for Baptism, family and congregational members.

The baptismal party gathers at the doors of the Church.

At the Doors of the Church

The Naming

Peace be with you.

And with your spirit.

What do you seek?

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism.

What is your name?

[Name]

The First Exorcism

*The Pastor lays his hands on the head of the candidate and says:
Depart, unclean spirit! Give way to the Holy Spirit!*

The Sign of the Holy Cross

*The Pastor signs the candidates with the Holy Cross
on the forehead and chest saying:*

[Name], receive the sign of the holy cross both upon your forehead and upon your heart to mark you as one redeemed by Christ the crucified.

The Collects

Let us pray. O almighty and eternal God, the Father of Our Lord Jesus Christ: I call to You for the sake of Your servants Elijah, Josiah, and Anna who ask for the gift of Your Baptism and desire Your eternal grace through spiritual rebirth. Receive them, Lord and, as You have said "Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you," so now give the good to them who ask and open the door to them who knock so that they may obtain the eternal blessing of this heavenly bath and receive the promised kingdom of Your grace; through Jesus Christ Our Lord.

Amen

Almighty and eternal God, who according to Your righteous judgment condemned the unbelieving world through the Flood and in Your great mercy preserved believing Noah and his family, who drowned hard-hearted Pharaoh with all his host in the Red Sea and led Your people Israel through the same on dry ground thereby prefiguring this bath of Your holy Baptism, and who through the Baptism of Your beloved Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, sanctified and set apart the Jordan and all water as a blessed flood and a rich and full washing away of sins: according to the same boundless mercy, we pray that You graciously behold Elijah, Josiah, and Anna and bless them with true faith in the Spirit so that, by means of this saving flood, all that has been born in them from Adam and which they themselves have added to may be drowned in them and engulfed; and that they may be sundered from the number of the unbelieving, preserved dry and secure in the holy ark of Christendom, serve Your name at all times fervent in spirit and joyful in hope; so that with all believers they may be made worthy to attain eternal life according to Your promise; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen

Please STAND.

The Post-Communion Collect

The Lord be with you.



And with your spir - it.

Let us pray. Grant, O Lord, that the effectual healing of this sacrament which we have received, may deliver us from all the diseases of our souls; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



A - men.

The Dismissal

The Lord be with you.



And with your spir - it.

The Mass is ended. Go in peace.



Thanks be to God.

Please KNEEL.

The Blessing

Almighty God bless you: the Father, the ✕ Son, and the Holy Spirit.



A - men.

The Silent Prayer

*Give thanks to God and bless His Name for, having given Himself to you in His Gospel preaching and Sacrament, our gracious God has forgiven you, comforted you and delivered you from all harm and danger!
Pray that you remain in Christ just as He is in you.*

for protection and health both of soul and body; who with the Father and the Holy Spirit are one God, living and reigning now and forever.

Before receiving the Body of Christ at the Altar, kneel and silently say:

I shall receive the bread of heaven and call upon the Name of the Lord. Lord, I am not worthy that You should come under my roof, but speak the word only and my soul shall be healed. ✕ May the Body of Our Lord Jesus Christ preserve my soul unto life everlasting! Amen.

I give You thanks, Lord God heavenly Father, that You have refreshed me with the Body and Blood of Your Son Jesus Christ. And I pray that this heavenly food may strengthen my faith that I may bear all crosses, sicknesses and trials with patience and trust; through the same Jesus Christ Our Lord.

At the Altar before receiving the Blood of Christ, kneel and silently say:

What shall I give to the Lord for all the benefits that He has given to me? I will receive the cup of salvation and call upon the name of the Lord. I will call upon the Lord who is worthy to be praised, so shall I be saved from my enemies. ✕ May the Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ preserve my soul unto life everlasting! Amen

After Returning from the Altar, kneel and silently say:

Let Your Body which I have received and Your Blood which I have drunk, O Lord, cleave to my members; and grant that no stain of sin remain in me, whom You have refreshed with a pure and holy sacrament; who lives and reigns forever and ever.

I give You thanks, Lord God heavenly Father, that You have refreshed me with the Body and Blood of Your Son Jesus Christ. And I pray that this heavenly food may strengthen my faith that I may bear all crosses, sicknesses and trials with patience and trust; through the same Jesus Christ Our Lord.

The Communion Hymnody

“THE BRIDEGROOM SOON WILL CALL US”

The Lutheran Hymnal # 67

(Interlude after stanza 4)

“ONCE IN THE BLEST BAPTISMAL WATERS...”

The Lutheran Hymnal # 598 (stanzas 8-11)

After all have communed, the Celebrant cleanses the sacred vessels.

The Communion — Psalm 45.10, 7

The Communion is chanted.

Listen, O Daughter, consider and incline your ear:

God, your God, has anointed you with the oil of gladness.

The Second Exorcism

I adjure you, unclean spirit, by the Name of the ✕ Father and of the ✕ Son and of the ✕ Holy Spirit, that you come out of and depart from this servant of † Jesus Christ, [Name].

Amen

The Holy Gospel

Hear the Holy Gospel according to St. Mark.

They brought little children to † Jesus, that He might touch them; but the disciples rebuked those who brought them. But when † Jesus saw it, He was greatly displeased and said to them, “Let the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of God. Assuredly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will by no means enter it.” And He took them up in His arms, put His hands on them, and blessed them.

Thanks be to God.

The Our Father

The Pastor lays his hands on the head of the candidate while all pray:

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. Amen

The Procession to the Font

The Pastor leads the candidates and baptismal party to the font.

The Baptismal Hymn

“TO JORDAN CAME THE CHRIST, OUR LORD”

stanzas 1-4, on following page



1 To Jor- dan came the Christ, our Lord, To do His
 2 O hear and mark the mes- sage well, For God Him-
 3 These truths on Jor-dan's banks were shown By might-y
 4 There stood the Son of God in love, His grace to



Fa- ther's plea- sure; Bap- tized by John, the Fa-ther's Word
 self has spo - ken. Let faith, not doubt, a- mong us dwell
 word and won - der. The Fa-ther's voice from heav'n came down,
 us ex- tend - ing; The Ho- ly Spir- it like a dove



Was giv- en us to trea - sure. This heav'n-ly wash- ing
 And so re-ceive this to - ken. Our Lord here with His
 Which we do well to pon - der: "This man is My be-
 Up- on the scene de- scend- ing; The tri- une God as-



now shall be A cleans- ing from trans- gres - sion.
 Word en- dows Pure wa- ter, free- ly flow - ing.
 lov- ed Son, In whom My heart has plea - sure.
 sur- ing us, With prom- is- es com- pel - ling,



And by His blood and ag- o- ny Re- lease from death's
 God's Ho- ly Spir- it here a- vows Our kin- ship while
 Him you must hear, and Him a- lone, And trust in full-
 That in our Bap- tism He will thus A- mong us find



op- pres - sion. A new life now a- waits us.
 be- stow - ing The Bap- tism of His bless - ing.
 est mea - sure The word that He has spo - ken."
 a dwell - ing To com- fort and sus- tain us.

The Agnus Dei



○ Christ, the Lamb of God, who take a- way the sin of the
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world: have mer- cy up - on us.
 world: have mer- cy up - on us.
 world: grant us Your peace. A - men.

The Distribution of Our Lord's Body and Blood

Please REMAIN KNEELING or BE SEATED.

Please follow the Ushers' instructions to approach the Altar.

*Reception of the Lord's Supper indicates unity in confession and faith.
 If you are a visitor, please refrain from receiving the Lord's Supper unless you
 have first spoken with the Pastor.*

The Body of Christ is received on the tongue.

The Blood of Christ is received from the Chalice.

You may assist the minister by guiding the Chalice to your mouth.

Women are asked to remove lipstick before drinking from the Chalice.

Prayers During Holy Communion

Before approaching the Altar, kneel and silently say:

O Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, who by the will of the Father with the Holy Spirit has given life to the world through Your death; by this, Your most holy Body and Blood, deliver me from all my sins and from every evil, and enable me ever to abide in Your commandments, and allow me never to be separated from You; who lives and reigns with the same Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Let not my reception of Your Body and Blood, which I, all unworthy, presume to eat and drink, be to my judgment and condemnation; but by Your mercy may it be to me

The Acclamation

Through Him, with Him, in Him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor are Yours, almighty Father, now and forever.



A - men

When the chimes are rung at the Minor Elevation, we again adore Christ in the Most Blessed Sacrament and acclaim Him as eternal God.

The Pater Noster

Taught by Our Lord and trusting His promise, we are bold to pray:

The Our Father is chanted in monotone.

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. Amen.

The Embolism

The Celebrant concludes the Our Father with a prayer for deliverance and peace, ending with the words:

...one God now and forever.



A - men.

The Pax Domini

The peace of the ✕ Lord be with you always.



A - men.

At the Baptismal Font

The Blessing

The LORD preserve your going out and your coming in from this time forth and even forevermore.

Amen

The Renunciations

[Name], do you renounce the devil?

I renounce.

Do you renounce all his works?

I renounce.

Do you renounce all his ways?

I renounce.

The Confession of Faith

[Name], do you believe in God the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth?

I believe.

Do you believe 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.

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting?

I believe.

Do you desire to be baptized?

I do.

The Baptism

The Pastor baptizes the candidates saying:

[Name], I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen

The Anointing

The Pastor anoints the candidates on the forehead saying:

Almighty God, the Father of Our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given you the new birth of water and the Holy Spirit and has forgiven you all your sins, strengthen you with His grace to life everlasting.

Amen

The Christening Gown

A white gown or christening robe is put on the baptized while the Pastor says:

Receive this white garment to show that Christ has taken away and borne your sin and put on you His perfect righteousness. So shall you in faith ever stand before Him.

The Baptismal Candle

A white candle is lit from the paschal candle and given to the baptized while the Pastor says:

Receive this burning light. Live always by the light of Christ, and be ever watchful for His coming, that you may meet Him with joy and enter with Him into the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which shall have no end.

The Concluding Collect

Let us pray. Almighty and merciful God and Father, we thank and praise You that You graciously preserve and enlarge Your family and have granted Elijah, Josiah, and Anna the new birth in Holy Baptism and made them members of Your Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, and heirs of His heavenly kingdom. We humbly implore You that, as they have now become Your children, You would keep them in their baptismal grace that according to all your good pleasure they may faithfully grow to lead a godly life to the praise and honor of Your holy name and finally with all Your saints obtain the promised inheritance in heaven; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen

The Dismissal

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Sanctus

Please KNEEL when the Server rings the Sanctus bell three times.



• Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho-ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth.



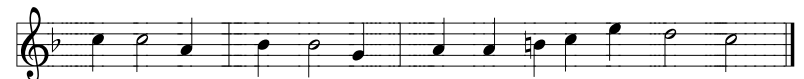
Heav'n and earth are full of Your glo-ry. Ho-san-na! Ho-



san-na! Ho-san-na in the high-est! Bless-ed is He, Bless-ed is



He, Bless-ed is He who ✠ comes in the Name of the Lord!



Ho-san-na! Ho-san-na! Ho-san-na in the high-est!

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Prayer of Thanksgiving is prayed ending with the words:

...which You now graciously bestow upon us through Christ Our Lord.

Amen

The Verba Christi

The Celebrant chants the Words of Our Lord's Last Will and Testament. During the two Major Elevations, the chimes are rung and we adore Our Lord's Body and Blood.

The Anamnesis

The Prayer of Remembrance is prayed ending with the words:

...until He comes again in power and great glory as victorious Lord of all.

The Offertorium — Psalm 73. 25-26

The Offertorium is chanted.

Whom have I in the heaven but You, O Lord?

And there is none that I desire on earth besides You.

My flesh and my heart fail me.

But You, O Lord, are the strength of my heart and my portion forevermore.

Please STAND.

The Oblation

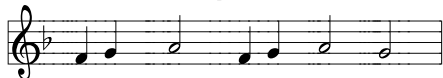
The Celebrant prays the Offertory Prayer ending with the words:

...one God, now and forever.

Amen.

The Preface

The Lord be with you.



And with your spir - it.

Lift up your hearts.



We lift them up un-to the Lord.

Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.



It is meet and right so to do.

The Celebrant chants the Proper Preface ending with the words:

... evermore praising You and saying:

The almighty and merciful God, the Father, the ✠ Son and the Holy Spirit, bless and defend you.

Amen

The congregation is seated in the pews as the hymn is sung.



5 To His dis- ci- ples spoke the Lord, "Go out to
6 But woe to those who cast a- side This grace so
7 All that the mor- tal eye be-holds Is wa- ter



ev'-ry na - tion. And bring to them the liv-ing Word
free-ly giv - en; They shall in sin and shame a- bide
as we pour it. Be- fore the eye of faith un-folds



And this my in- vi- ta - tion: Let ev'- ry one a-
And to des-pair be driv- en. For born in sin, their
The pow'r of Je- sus' mer- it. For here it sees the



ban-don sin And come in true con-tri - tion
works must fail, Their striv- ing saves them ne - ver;
crim-son flood To all our ills bring heal - ing;



To be bap-tized and there-by win Full par-don and
Their pi- ous acts do not a- vail, And they are lost
The won-ders of His pre-cious blood The love of God



re- mis - sion. And heav'n-ly bliss in- her - it."
for-ev - er, E- ter- nal death their por- tion.
re- veal - ing, As- sur- ing His own par - don.

The Liturgy of the Word

Please STAND.

The Introit — Revelation 1.8, 21.3; Psalm 24.7

The Introit is chanted while the Celebrant censes the Altar.

Please BOW at the Name of the Holy Trinity during the Gloria Patri ("Glory be to the Father...")

I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End,
Who is and who was and who 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 Himself will be with them
and be their God.

Lift up your heads, O you gates, and be lifted up, you everlasting doors,
and the King of Glory shall come in.

♦ Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Save me, O God, by Your Name, and vindicate me by Your strength:
Hear my prayer, O God; give ear to the words of my mouth.

I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End,
Who is and who was and who 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 Himself will be with them
and be their God.

The Kyrie Eleison



Lord, have mer- cy up- on us! Lord, have mer-cy up- on us!
Christ, have mer- cy up-on us! Christ, have mer-cy up- on us!
Lord, have mer- cy up-on us! Lord, have mer-cy up- on us!



Lord, have mer- cy up- on us!
Christ, have mer- cy up- on us!
Lord, have mer- cy up-on us!

And I believe one holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
And I look for the resurrection of the dead
And the life ✕ of the world to come. Amen

Please KNEEL.

The Intercessions

After each petition:

Lord, in Your mercy:
Hear our prayer.

After the final petition is prayed:

Graciously receive our prayers, deliver and preserve us; through ♦Jesus
Christ, Your Son, Our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy
Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Please BE SEATED.

The Liturgy of the Holy Eucharist

The Offertory

While the offerings are gathered and the Altar is prepared,
you are encouraged to prepare your heart and mind
for Our Lord's Service in His Body and Blood.

After the Altar is prepared, the Celebrant censes the Altar.
Then the Celebrant, Assistants and the Faithful are censed.

Please STAND when signaled and BOW when being incensed.

The Offering Hymn

"WHO KNOWS WHEN DEATH MAY OVERTAKE ME"

The Lutheran Hymnal # 598 (stanzas 1-4)

The Chief Hymn

Please *STAND* when the organ sounds.

“WAKE, AWAKE, FOR NIGHT IS FLYING”

The Lutheran Hymnal # 609

Organ introduction by J. G. Walther (1684-1748)

The Credo

The Nicene Creed is chanted in monotone.

I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth,
And of all things visible and invisible.
And in one Lord • Jesus Christ,
The only-begotten Son of God,
Begotten of His Father before all worlds;
God of God,
Light of Light,
Very God of Very God,
Begotten, not made;
Being of one substance with the Father,
By whom all things were made;
Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven

Please *GENUFLECT* on the kneelers in honor of Our Lord's incarnation.

And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man;

Please *STAND*.

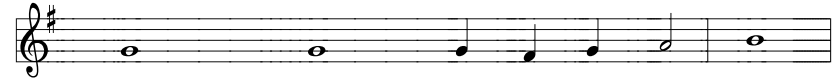
And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried;
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures;
And ascended into heaven,
And sits at the right hand of the Father;
And He shall come again with glory to judge the living and the dead;
Whose kingdom shall have no end.
And I believe in the Holy Ghost,
The Lord and Giver of Life,
Who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
Who with the Father and the Son together is • worshipped and glorified,
Who spoke by the prophets.

The Gloria in Excelsis

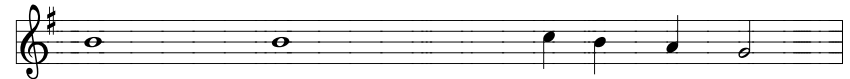
Glory be to God on high:



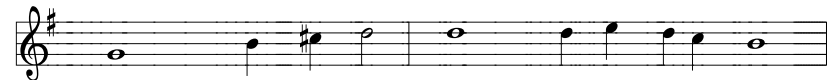
And on earth peace, good will toward men!



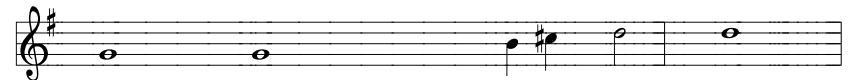
We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we • wor- ship Thee; We



glorify Thee, we • give thanks to Thee for Thy great glory.



O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa- ther Al- mighty.



O Lord, the only-begotten Son, • Je- sus Christ; O Lord God,



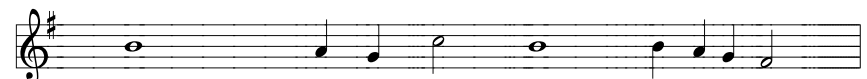
Lamb of God, Son of the Father, Who take away the sin of



the world, have mercy up- on us. Thou who take away



the sin of the world, • re-ceive our prayer. Thou who sit at



the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up- on us.



For Thou on-ly are ho- ly; Thou on-ly are the Lord. Thou only



•O Christ, with the Ho-ly Ghost, ✕ are most high in the glory



of God the Father. A - men.

The Collect

The Lord be with you.



And with your spir - it.

Let us pray. O God, so rule and govern our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit; that, being ever mindful of the end of all things and the day of Your just judgment, we may be stirred up to holiness of living here, and dwell with You forever hereafter, through •Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



A - men.

Please BE SEATED.

The Old Testament — Isaiah 35.3-10

After the Reading:

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Gradual — John 8.12; Revelation 22.17

The Gradual is chanted.

I am the Light of the world:

He who follows me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life.

The Spirit and the bride say, "Come," and let Him who hears say, "Come"

And let him who thirsts come.

The Epistle — 1 Thessalonians 5.1-11

After the Reading:

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please STAND.

The Alleluia — Revelation 22.20

The Alleluia is chanted.

Alleluia. Alleluia.

Even so: Come, Lord Jesus.

Alleluia.

The Holy Gospel — St. Matthew 25.1-13

The Lord be with you.



And with your spir - it.

While the Gospel is announced, make the sign of the cross on the forehead, lips and heart.

The continuation of the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew.



Glo- ry be to Thee, O Lord.

After the Gospel:

The Gospel of the Lord.



Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Please BE SEATED.

The Preaching of the Gospel