



# Holy Mass

## CIRCUMCISION OF OUR LORD

January 1

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*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.*

## Preliminaries

### Prelude

### Bells

### Processional Hymn

*Please STAND when the organ sounds to honor the cross of Our Blessed Lord and those in procession with it. Please BOW when the processional crucifix passes.*

**“OH, REJOICE, YE CHRISTIANS, LOUDLY”**

*The Lutheran Hymnal #96*

### Invocation

In the Name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen**

### Versicles

I will go to the altar of God:

**To God my exceeding joy.**

Our ✠ help is in the Name of the Lord.

**Who made heaven and earth.**

*Please KNEEL.*

### Confiteor

*During a period of silence, call to mind both your sinfulness  
and those sins you have committed against the Ten Commandments.*

I confess to almighty God,

**before all the company of heaven, and to you, my brothers and  
sisters, that I have sinned exceedingly in thought, word and  
deed**

*(strike your chest three times saying:)*

**through my fault, through my own fault, through my own most  
grievous fault;**

**wherefore I pray almighty God, for the sake of Jesus Christ  
His Son, to have mercy on me, forgive me my sins, and  
bring me to everlasting life.**

### Absolution

Upon this, your confession, I, by virtue of my Office as a called and or-  
dained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God to all of you. In the  
stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your  
sins, in the Name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen**

*Please STAND.*

## Liturgy of the Word

### Introit—Isaiah 9.6; Psalm 98.1

*The Introit is chanted while the Celebrant incenses the Altar.*

*Unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given:*

*And the government will be upon His shoulder.*

*And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor,*

*Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.*

*Oh, sing to the Lord a new song!*

*For He has done marvelous things.*

♦ *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.*

*Unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given:*

*And the government will be upon His shoulder.*

*And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor,*

*Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.*

### 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.*

### Retiring Processional Hymn

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

### **“ABIDE, O DEAREST JESUS”**

*The Lutheran Hymnal #53*

### Postlude

*Please depart in silence and leave this Ordo at the door.*

### 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!**

### Gloria in Excelsis

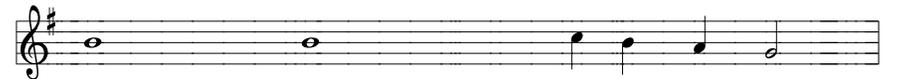
Glory be to God on high:



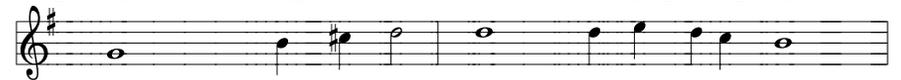
**And on earth peace, good will toward men!**



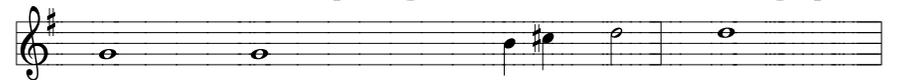
**We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we † wor-ship Thee; We**



**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**



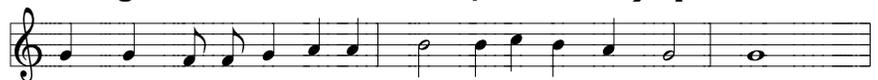
the world, have mercy up-on us. Thou who take away



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

Collect

The Lord be with you.



And with your spir - it.

Let us pray. O Lord God, who for our sakes made Your blessed Son, our Savior, subject to the Law and caused Him to endure the circumcision of the flesh, grant us the true circumcision of the Spirit, that our hearts may be pure from all sinful desires and lust; 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 STAND.

Post-Communion Collect

The Lord be with you.



And with your spir - it.

Let us pray. Grant, O Lord, that this Holy Communion may cleanse us from every guilty stain, and may heal us unto life eternal; through † Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



A - men

Dismissal

The Lord be with you.



And with your spir - it.

The Mass is ended. Go in peace.



Thanks be to God.

Please KNEEL.

Blessing

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



A - men

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.*

### Communion Hymns

#### **“TO GOD THE ANTHEM RAISING”**

*The Lutheran Hymnal #112*

#### **“O JESUS, KING MOST WONDERFUL”**

*The Lutheran Hymnal #361*

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

### Communio—Psalm 98.3

**All the ends of the earth:  
have seen the salvation of our God.**

Please BE SEATED.

### Old Testament—Genesis 17.1-14

*After the Reading:*

**The Word of the Lord.**

**Thanks be to God.**

### Gradual—Psalm 98.3, 4, 2

**All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God:**

**Shout joyfully to the Lord, all the earth.**

**The Lord has made known His salvation:**

**His righteousness He has revealed in the sight of the nations.**

### Epistle—Titus 2.11-15

*After the Reading:*

**The Word of the Lord.**

**Thanks be to God.**

Please STAND.

### Alleluia—Hebrews 1.1-2

*Alleluia, alleluia.*

*God, who at various times and in various ways spoke in time past to the fathers by the prophets:*

*Has in these last days spoken to us by His Son.*

*Alleluia.*

### Holy Gospel—St. Luke 2.21

**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 Saint Luke:**



**Glo-ry be to Thee, O Lord.**

After the Gospel:  
The Gospel of the Lord.



**Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

Please *BE SEATED*.

### Preaching of the Gospel

### Chief Hymn

Please *STAND* when the organ sounds.

## **“O BLESSED DAY WHEN FIRST WAS POURED”**

*The Lutheran Hymnal # 115*

### 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 heav-  
en**

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 on the right hand of the Father;**

### Agnus Dei



**O 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**

### 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 guest, 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 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*

### Acclamation

Through Him, with Him, in Him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is 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.*

### 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**

### 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**

### Pax Domini

The peace of the ✕ Lord be with you always.



**A - men**

**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.**

**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.*

### 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.*

## **Liturgy of the Holy Eucharist**

### Offertory

*While the offerings are gathered and the Altar 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 incenses the Altar.*

*Then the ministers and Faithful are incensed.*

*Please STAND and BOW when being incensed.*

### Offering Hymn

**"THE ANCIENT LAW DEPARTS"**

*The Lutheran Hymnal #117*

### Offertorium—Psalm 89.11, 14

*The heavens are Yours, the earth also is Yours; The world and all its fullness, You have founded them:*

*Righteousness and justice are the foundation of Your throne.*

### Oblation

*The Celebrant prays the Offertory Prayer ending with the words:*

*...one God, now and forever.*

**Amen**

### 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.**

It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks unto You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, for in the mystery of the Word made Flesh You have given us a new revelation of Your glory, that, seeing You in the person of Your Son, we may be drawn to the love of those things which are not seen. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious Name, evermore praising You and saying:

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

### Sanctus



**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 x comes in the Name of the Lord!**



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

### Eucharistic Prayer

*The Prayer of Thanksgiving is prayed ending with the words:*

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

**Amen**

### 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.*

### 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.*

**Amen**