Service of Holy Communion

Thirteenth Week after Pentecost

4 September 2019
Pre-Service Music

—stand if able—

Kyrie pp. 152-3

Salutation and Prayer of the Day p. 156

—sit—

First Reading Deuteronomy 30:15-20

—stand if able—

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia and Verse LSB 951


—sit—

Homily

—stand if able—

Hymn of the Day LSB 756

Nicene Creed p. 158

Prayers of the Church p. 159

Sharing of the Peace
He Will Hold Me Fast

1. When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast;
   When the tempter would prevail, He will hold me fast.
2. Those He saves are His delight, Christ will hold me fast;
   Precious in His holy sight, He will hold me fast.
3. For my life He bled and died, Christ will hold me fast;
   Justice has been satisfied, He will hold me fast.

4. I could never keep my hold through life’s fearful path;
   He’ll not let my soul be lost...His promises shall last;
5. Raised with Him to endless life, He will hold me fast.
   For my love is often cold; He must hold me fast.
6. He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast;
   When He comes at last!

7. Bought by Him at such a cost, He will hold me fast.
   Till our faith is turned to sight
8. For my Savior loves me so, He will hold me fast.
The assembly will sing the refrain in Spanish and the stanzas in English.

---sit---

Communion Music

The assembly will sing the hymn three times in English

God Extends an Invitation

Nuestro Padre nos invita a la mesa de la vida, donde hay vino, luz y pan; y nosotros nos reunimos, y lo nuestro comparemos, pues asistes la comunión.

LSB 753

Dismissal

---stand if able---

Post-Communion Collect and Blessing

The Servants of the Word

Presider: Dean of the Chapel Kent Burreson
Preacher: Professor Joel Biermann
Assistants: Chaplain Paul Sieveking
Lead Musician: Director of Musical Arts James Marriott
In Preparation for Communion

To Our Guests:

The Lord's Supper is celebrated on our campus in the confession and glad confidence that our Lord, as He says, gives not only bread and wine, but His very body and blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sin. In joyful obedience to the clear teaching of our Lord Jesus those are invited to His table who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us. They show forth His death until He comes. Because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod and so are unable to receive the Sacrament are invited to meditate on God's Word in the distribution hymns and pray for the day when divisions will have ceased. -Kent J. Burreson, Dean of the Chapel

Notes Regarding Communion

- The campus Lord’s Supper is sponsored and hosted by the The Lutheran Church of Webster Gardens and Pastors Joel Christiansen and Brian King.
- The bread was baked by Ruth Mattson.
- The Chapel’s Red Wine is from Montelle Winery, Augusta, Missouri and the White Wine is from Blumenhof Winery, Dutzow, Missouri.
- When receiving the cup to partake of Christ Jesus’ blood, please place your hand on the cup in some way to assist the server in guiding it to your mouth. Depending upon how those distributing the cup are holding it, you can either take hold of the cup at the base on the bottom OR on the stem of the chalice OR at the bowl itself on the upper part. By doing so you will assist the server and help to prevent any unwelcome spillage.
- The Reliquary (unconsecrated, additional bread) will be distributed after the service in the narthex if there is sufficient quantity. You are invited to take a piece with you.
- If illness or other extenuating circumstances lead you not to drink wine directly from the chalice, you may intinct the bread by dipping it into the chalice.

Private Confession and Absolution

Check SemNet to see when Chaplain Sieveking will offer confession at the altar.
Notes on the weekly cycle of the Divine Service

Why does the Liturgical Week begin on Wednesdays in the chapel? As a seminary our focus is upon the formation of pastors, deaconesses, and church workers. Since students are involved in resident field education and congregational life on Sundays transitioning the weekly calendar on Wednesdays assists students in preparing to engage the readings and themes for the coming Sunday in advance and allows us to reflect on those themes and readings in chapel on Mondays and Tuesdays.

Different elements of the divine service are used each week depending upon the theme and focus of the service. Among the elements not used every week are the Creed, the post-communion canticle, the Kyrie, the hymn of praise, and general confession and absolution. Corporate confession and absolution, while a very healthy practice, like private confession and absolution, is not a prerequisite for hearing the Word or receiving the Supper. On the Wednesdays when it is not used the baptized are encourage to avail themselves of private confession and absolution.

Prayer Requests

- Partner Church Bodies: Consistory of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Lithuania led by Bishop Mindaugas Sabutis
- Synodical Leaders: Synodical First Vice-President Peter Lange
- Districts and District Presidents: California-Nevada-Hawaii District led by President Michael Lange
- Campus Host Congregation: The Lutheran Church of Webster Gardens, Webster Groves, MO and Pastors Joel Christiansen and Brian King
- Missionaries: Daniel Putnam, The Blake Warren family, the Juancarlos de Ramirez Family, and the Cheryl Naumann Family, all serving in the Dominican Republic
- The Lutheran Women’s Missionary League
- The Poor and Those Suffering from Natural and Man-Made Disasters: California, Louisiana, and flooding throughout the USA; The Bahamas, Mozambique, Malawi, Madagascar, Zimbabwe, South Africa, and flooding in countries throughout the world
- Those who are ill/undergoing surgery: Professor Kou Seying, recovering from surgery; Rev. Erich Kaelberer battling ALS; Roger Drinnon, father to graduate student Roger Drinnon, battling cancer; Renee Gibbs, recovering from surgery and undergoing treatment to cure breast cancer; Beth Jones, wife of seminarian Brett Jones, diagnosis and treatment for heart issues; Kyzer and Kinley, premature newborns, friends of seminarian James Burke, battling health issues
- Those battling mental/emotional/psychological challenges: Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder
Those Mourning: The family of sainted professor emeritus Won Jong Ji mourning the death of his widow, Aei Kyong; Advancement staff member, Mike Flynn and his family, mourning the death of his stepfather, Gene Gibson; Staff member Diane Alt and her family, mourning the death of her sister-in-law, Jeanne Hancock; Professor Joel Elowsky and his family mourning the death of his mother, Edna Elowsky.


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