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WE BEGIN

Matthew 28:19b

In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

THE BEGINNING

Genesis 1:1–2:3, 3:1–24

John 1:1–14

Acts 17:16–34

Revelation 21:1–14, 21–27

BAPTISM

Genesis 6:5–22, 8:1–12, 9:1–19

Matthew 3:1–17, John 3:1–22

Acts 2:1–41, Revelation 7:9–17

TEN COMMANDMENTS

Dt. 5:1–6:25 or Ex. 19:1–20:21

Mark 12:28–34, Luke 10:25–37

Acts 15:1–33

Revelation 14:1–13

I am the Lord your God. You shall have no other gods.

You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.

Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.

Honor your father and your mother. You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

You shall not covet your neighbor's house.

You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Nehemiah 9:1–38,

Jonah 3:1–4:11 Luke 18:9–14

Acts 19:11–20, Revelation 3:1–6

Consider your place in life according to the Ten Commandments: Are you a father, mother, son, daughter, husband, wife, or worker? Have you been disobedient, unfaithful, or lazy? Have you been hot-tempered, rude, or quarrelsome? Have you hurt someone by your words or deeds? Have you stolen, been negligent, wasted anything, or done any harm? Consider your place in life according to the Ten

Commandments. *A moment of silence for reflection and personal confession.* Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

I, a poor sinner, plead guilty before God of all sins. I am sorry for all of this, and I ask for grace. I want to do better. Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Amen.

FORGIVENESS

1 Kings 8:22–53

Mt. 1:18–25, Mt. 9:1–8,

Lk. 23:33–47, and Jn. 20:19–23

Psalm 19 or 51

As a called minister of Christ and by the command of our 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.**

Jesus Christ has given us new birth through water and the Holy Spirit and has forgiven us all our sins. The almighty God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen us with His grace to everlasting life. **Amen.**

THE WORD

Nehemiah 8:1–12

Luke 24:33–48

Acts 13:13–43

CONFESSION OF FAITH

Genesis 15:1–6, Exodus 18:1–12

Matthew 8:5–13, John 20:24–31

Acts 4:1–22, Hebrews 11:1–12:2

APOSTLES' CREED

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

*Genesis 4:1–16, 25–26;
Jonah 1:1–2:10
Luke 11:1–13 or Matthew 6:5–15
Acts 4:23–31, Psalm 86:1–17*

LORD'S PRAYER

Matthew 6:9–13

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.

OFFERING

*Genesis 22:1–18
Exodus 35:4–36:7
Matthew 2:1–12
Matthew 5:21–26
Mark 12:38–44
Acts 4:32–37*

If there is no Communion, then the service continues with the BLESSING.

THE LORD'S SUPPER

*Exodus 12:1–14, 24:3–11
Mark 14:12–26, John 6:22–69
Acts 2:42–47
Revelation 19:4–10*

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

The holy Evangelists Matthew, Mark, Luke, and St. Paul write:

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying, "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Mt. 26:26–28, Mk. 14:22–24, Lk. 22:19–20, 1 Cor. 11:23–25

ASKING A BLESSING

Luther's Small Catechism

Lord God, heavenly Father, bless us and these Your gifts which we receive from Your bountiful goodness, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

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RETURNING THANKS

Luther's Small Catechism

We thank You, Lord God, heavenly Father, for all Your benefits, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit forever and ever. Amen.

BLESSING

Genesis 12:1–9

2 Samuel 7:1–11 (12–29)

Numbers 6:23–27

Matthew 28:18–20 or

Luke 24:50–53

Acts 3:1–26

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine upon
you and be gracious unto you. The
Lord lift up His countenance upon
you and give you peace. **Amen.**

The Lord bless us and keep us. The
Lord make His face shine upon us and
be gracious unto us. The Lord lift up
His countenance upon us and give us
peace. **Amen.**

Numbers 6:24–26

THE END

Isaiah 25:6–9, Daniel 12:1–4

Matthew 24:1–14 (15–28)

29–31; 25:31–46

Revelation 1:1–20, 5:8–14,

20:1–15, 22:1–21



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