# **Confession and Absolution**

## 779 Come, My Soul, with Every Care

- 1 Come, my soul, with ev'ry care, Jesus loves to answer prayer; He Himself has bid thee pray, Therefore will not turn away.
- 2 Thou art coming to a King, Large petitions with thee bring; For His grace and pow'r are such None can ever ask too much.
- With my burden I begin:
   Lord, remove this load of sin;
   Let Thy blood, for sinners spilt,
   Set my conscience free from guilt.
- 4 Lord, Thy rest to me impart, Take possession of my heart; There Thy blood-bought right maintain And without a rival reign.
- 5 While I am a pilgrim here, Let Thy love my spirit cheer; As my guide, my guard, my friend, Lead me to my journey's end.
- Show me what is mine to do; Ev'ry hour my strength renew. Let me live a life of faith; Let me die Thy people's death.
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## Stand

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.
- $\mathbf{P}$  Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **C** who made heaven and earth.
- **P** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- **G** But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.
- ▶ Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

## Kneel/Stand

**C** Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

Stand

# Service of the Word

## Introit

Call upon me in the day of | trouble;\* I will deliver you, and you shall glo- | rify me. With my whole heart I cry; answer me, | O LORD!\* I will keep your | statutes. I call to you; save me,\* that I may observe your testi- | monies. I rise before dawn and | cry for help;\* I hope | in your words. My eyes are awake before the watches of the night,\* that I may meditate on your promise. Hear my voice according to your | steadfast love;\* O LORD, according to your justice | give me life. Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\* and to the Holy | Spirit; as it was in the be- | ginning,\* is now, and will be forever. Amen. Call upon me in the day of | trouble;\* I will deliver you, and you shall glo- | rify me.

## Kyrie

C Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

## **Gloria in Excelsis**

 1 To God on high be glory And peace to all the earth; Goodwill from God in heaven Proclaimed at Jesus' birth! We praise and bless You, Father; Your holy name, we sing— Our thanks for Your great glory, Lord God, our heav'nly King.

> 2 To You, O sole-begotten, The Father's Son, we pray; O Lamb of God, our Savior, You take our sins away. Have mercy on us, Jesus; Receive our heartfelt cry, Where You in pow'r are seated At God's right hand on high

Psalm 119:145–149; antiphon: Psalm 50:15

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3 For You alone are holy; You only are the Lord. Forever and forever, Be worshiped and adored; You with the Holy Spirit Alone are Lord Most High, In God the Father's glory. "Amen!" our glad reply.

#### Text: Stephen P. Starke

### Salutation and Collect of the Day

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- **P** Let us pray.

O Lord, let Your merciful ears be attentive to the prayers of Your servants, and by Your Word and Spirit teach us how to pray that our petitions may be pleasing before You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

#### Sit

#### Old Testament Reading

#### Genesis 18:20–33

<sup>20</sup>Then the LORD said, "Because the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah is great and their sin is very grave, <sup>21</sup>I will go down to see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me. And if not, I will know."

<sup>22</sup>So the men turned from there and went toward Sodom, but Abraham still stood before the LORD. <sup>23</sup>Then Abraham drew near and said, "Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? <sup>24</sup>Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city. Will you then sweep away the place and not spare it for the fifty righteous who are in it? <sup>25</sup>Far be it from you to do such a thing, to put the righteous to death with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?" <sup>26</sup>And the LORD said, "If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will spare the whole place for their sake."

<sup>27</sup>Abraham answered and said, "Behold, I have undertaken to speak to the Lord, I who am but dust and ashes. <sup>28</sup>Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking. Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?" And he said, "I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there." <sup>29</sup>Again he spoke to him and said, "Suppose forty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of forty I will not do it." <sup>30</sup>Then he said, "Oh let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak. Suppose thirty are found there." He answered, "I will not do it, if I find thirty there." <sup>31</sup>He said, "Behold, I have undertaken to speak to the Lord. Suppose twenty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it." <sup>32</sup>Then he said, "Oh let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak again but this once. Suppose ten are found there." He answered, "For the sake of ten I will not destroy it." <sup>33</sup>And the LORD went his way, when he had finished speaking to Abraham, and Abraham returned to his place.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Gradual

Romans 10:15b, 18b; Isaiah 52:7b, alt.

How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the | good news,\* who publish peace and bring good news of sal- | vation. Their voice has gone out to | all the earth,\*

and their words to the ends of the world.

## 770 What a Friend We Have in Jesus

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- What a friend we have in Jesus, All our sins and griefs to bear!
  What a privilege to carry Ev'rything to God in prayer!
  Oh, what peace we often forfeit; Oh, what needless pain we bear—
  All because we do not carry Ev'rything to God in prayer!
- Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere? We should never be discouraged— Take it to the Lord in prayer. Can we find a friend so faithful Who will all our sorrows share? Jesus knows our ev'ry weakness— Take it to the Lord in prayer.
- Are we weak and heavy laden, Cumbered with a load of care?
   Precious Savior, still our refuge— Take it to the Lord in prayer.
   Do thy friends despise, forsake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer.
   In His arms He'll take and shield thee; Thou wilt find a solace there.
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### **Epistle**

Colossians 2:6–15

<sup>6</sup>Therefore, as you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in him, <sup>7</sup>rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

<sup>8</sup>See to it that no one takes you captive by philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the world, and not according to Christ. <sup>9</sup>For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, <sup>10</sup>and you have been filled in him, who is the head of all rule and authority. <sup>11</sup>In him also you were circumcised with a circumcision made without hands, by putting off the body of the flesh, by the circumcision of Christ, <sup>12</sup>having been buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through faith in the powerful working of God, who raised him from the dead. <sup>13</sup>And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, <sup>14</sup>by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross. <sup>15</sup>He disarmed the rulers and authorities and put them to open shame, by triumphing over them in him.

- **A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

### Stand

## Alleluia and Verse

**C** Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**C** These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.

**C** Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

## Holy Gospel

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the eleventh chapter.

Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>Now Jesus was praying in a certain place, and when he finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples." <sup>2</sup>And he said to them, "When you pray, say:

"Father, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come.
<sup>3</sup>Give us each day our daily bread,
<sup>4</sup>and forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone who is indebted to us. And lead us not into temptation."

<sup>5</sup>And he said to them, "Which of you who has a friend will go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves, <sup>6</sup>for a friend of mine has arrived on a journey, and I have nothing to set before him'; <sup>7</sup>and he will answer from within, 'Do not bother me; the door is now shut, and my children are with me in bed. I cannot get up and give you anything'? <sup>8</sup>I tell you, though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, yet because of his impudence he will rise and give him whatever he needs. <sup>9</sup>And I tell you, ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. <sup>10</sup>For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened. <sup>11</sup>What father among you, if his son asks for a fish, will instead of a fish give him a serpent; <sup>12</sup>or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? <sup>13</sup>If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

## **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.

#### Sit

## 766 Our Father, Who from Heaven Above

 Our Father, who from heav'n above Bids all of us to live in love As members of one family And pray to You in unity, Teach us no thoughtless words to say But from our inmost hearts to pray.

- Your name be hallowed. Help us, Lord, In purity to keep Your Word, That to the glory of Your name We walk before You free from blame. Let no false teaching us pervert; All poor deluded souls convert.
- Your kingdom come. Guard Your domain And Your eternal righteous reign. The Holy Ghost enrich our day With gifts attendant on our way.
   Break Satan's pow'r, defeat his rage; Preserve Your Church from age to age.
- Your gracious will on earth be done As it is done before Your throne, That patiently we may obey Throughout our lives all that You say. Curb flesh and blood and ev'ry ill That sets itself against Your will.
- Give us this day our daily bread,
  And let us all be clothed and fed.
  Save us from hardship, war, and strife;
  In plague and famine, spare our life,
  That we in honest peace may live,
  To care and greed no entrance give.
- Forgive our sins, Lord, we implore, That they may trouble us no more; We, too, will gladly those forgive Who hurt us by the way they live. Help us in our community To serve each other willingly.
- Lead not into temptation, Lord,
   Where our grim foe and all his horde
   Would vex our souls on ev'ry hand.
   Help us resist, help us to stand
   Firm in the faith, a mighty host,
   Through comfort of the Holy Ghost.
- From evil, Lord, deliver us;
   The times and days are perilous.
   Redeem us from eternal death,
   And, when we yield our dying breath,
   Console us, grant us calm release,
   And take our souls to You in peace.
- 9 Amen, that is, so shall it be.
  Make strong our faith in You, that we May doubt not but with trust believe That what we ask we shall receive.
  Thus in Your name and at Your Word We say, "Amen, O hear us, Lord!"

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## Offering

Stand

# Prayer of the Church

Following the prayers, the people may greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "Peace be with you," as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Matt. 5:22–24; Eph. 4:1–3).

## Lord's Prayer

 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.

## **Benedicamus**

**A** Let us bless the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Benediction

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The Lord bless you and keep you.
 The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
 The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

**C** Amen.

## 772 In Holy Conversation

In holy conversation We speak to God in prayer, And at His invitation Our deepest thoughts we share. We come, His will obeying, As children bringing needs; And to support our praying, His Spirit intercedes.

2 These holy conversations Begin in childlike ways; We bring our supplications And words of thanks and praise. With care our Father listens To ev'ry thought expressed, Then answers our petitions In ways He knows are best. LSB 212

 As holy conversation, In silence or by word, In ev'ry situation Through Jesus, we are heard. So let us pray securely, Expressing hopes and fears With confidence that surely Our Father ever hears.
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