**SUNDAY EUCHARIST + SOUTHWEST CALIFORNIA SYNOD**

*Sundays in Lent*

***GATHERING***

### **WORDS OF WELCOME**

### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,

who is present, who gives life,

who calls into existence the things that do not exist. **Amen.**

If you were to keep watch over sins, O Lord, who could stand?

Yet with you is forgiveness, and so we confess.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Gracious God, **have mercy on us.**

**We confess that we have turned away from you,**

**knowingly and unknowingly.**

**We have wandered from your resurrection life.**

**We have strayed from your love for all people.**

**Turn us back to you, O God.**

**Give us new hearts and right spirits,**

**that we may find what is pleasing to you**

**and dwell in your house forever. Amen.**

Receive good news: God turns to you in love.

“I will put my spirit in you, and you shall live,” says our God.

All your sin is forgiven in the name of ☩ Jesus Christ,

who is the free and abounding gift of God’s grace for you. **Amen.**

**GATHERING SONG**

**GREETING**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,

and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

***WORD***

**READING**

*Word of God, word of life.* **Thanks be to God.**

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**GOSPEL**

*The Holy Gospel according to John.* **Glory to you, O Lord.**

*The Gospel of the Lord.* **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**SERMON**

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

**THE APOSTLES’ CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,**

 **creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s 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 to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again;**

 **he ascended into heaven,**

 **he is seated at the right hand of the Father,**

 **and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I 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. Amen.**

**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

*Each petition ends:* Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

**PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

***MEAL***

**OFFERING PRAYER**

**DIALOGUE**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

**PREFACE FOR LENT**

**HOLY, HOLY, HOLY**

 **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.**

 **Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.**

 **Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

 **EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

**LORD’S PRAYER**

**PASTORAL INSTRUCTION ON SPIRITUAL COMMUNION**

**IN EXTRAORDINARY CIRCUMSTANCES**

***SENDING***

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**BLESSING**

**SENDING SONG**

**DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Share the good news.

**Thanks be to God.**

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