

Prelude

Lighting the Candles

Lighting Our Soul Candles

Welcome

Jesus says, **“No one sews a patch of unshrunk cloth on an old garment.”** When we experience a person breaking one of the Ten Commandments, why do we sacrifice them with more and more Laws? **Jesus says, go and understand “I desire mercy, not sacrifice.”** God welcomes us to His Table to offer us a cup of mercy.

Special Music

Prayer of Confession

Jesus says, **“Neither do people pour new wine into old wineskins. If they do, they will burst.”**

Father, I believe in Jesus. I am baptized in Jesus’ name. I am a born-again new creation. Still I am tempted. I am tempted to eat the fruit of the Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil. I am tempted to judge my neighbor and myself.”

Lord who desires mercy, **feed me till I want no more. Take this heart and mind filled with the Old Wine made of judgement, condemnation, and sacrifice. Create in me a New Heart. Fill me with mercy and grace till I overflow with Love.**

Prayers of Intercession

The Lord’s Prayer

Special Music

The Word of God: Matthew 9: 14-17

¹⁴ Then John’s disciples came and asked him, “How is it that we and the Pharisees fast often, but your disciples do not fast?” ¹⁵ Jesus answered, “How can the guests of the bridegroom mourn while he is with them? The time will come when the bridegroom will be taken from them; then they will fast. ¹⁶ “No one sews a patch of unshrunk cloth on an old garment, for the patch will pull away from the garment, making the tear worse. ¹⁷ Neither do people pour new wine into old wineskins. If they do, the skins will burst; the wine will run out and the wineskins will be ruined. No, they pour new wine into new wineskins, and both are preserved.”

Response to God’s Word

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

The Message: Are You on Our Side?

Holy Communion

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 of the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried;* the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth (sits) at the right hand of the Father Almighty. From thence (there) he shall come again to judge the quick (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

Tithes and Offerings

Postlude

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