

Prelude

Lighting the Candles

Announcements

Lighting the Soul Candles

Lord, what do you require to make me a Synagogue Leader?

Lord Jesus says, "I desire mercy, not sacrifice."

Lord, I look for mercy in the Law and Prophets. **I see people sacrificed in the name of justice. I hear their cries for mercy! Lord, why is there so little mercy in our world?**

Jesus answers, **"In the same way I called Matthew to follow me, I call you."**

Jesus, light of mercy, you bless my soul.

Welcome

"Welcome to the sanctuary!"

The Cross is where our Lord was sacrificed. It sits on God's Communion Table. Welcome to the sanctuary where Jesus sacrificed hungers and thirsts for mercy.

These candles stand on either side of the Cross where Jesus died. Welcome to the sanctuary where the Light of God's Mercy and Love shines on the Sacrificed!

Welcome to the Sanctuary of Grace. Here the risen Lord calls sinners and tax collectors to follow him.

Special Music

Prayer of Confession

Lord of Mercy, I need rest. My mind continually plays the game of right and wrong.

Lord of Mercy, I need rest. My heart plagues me with feelings of shame and guilt. The joy of blame is like a flower that soon fades and dies.

Lord of Mercy, I need rest. I remember coming into the House of the Lord and hearing about rest for my soul. I know the way of my mind and heart. Lord, lead me in the way of my soul; you saved me from sin and death.

Prayer of Intercession

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Thank you for mercy that frees the "poor of spirit."

Spirit of Mercy, your presence alone makes me Holy as God is Holy.

Spirit of Grace, your Holy Presence make me "Meek" like Christ Jesus.

Spirit of Love, feed me till I desire to offer mercy that frees the "poor in spirit."

Spirit of Mercy, Grace, and Love thank you for leading us not into temptation but delivering us to be One in Christ. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Reading Scripture: Matthew 9: 18--26

¹⁸ While he was saying this, a synagogue leader came and knelt before him and said, "My daughter has just died. But come and put your hand on her, and she will live." ¹⁹ Jesus got up and went with him, and so did his disciples.

²⁰ Just then a woman who had been subject to bleeding for twelve years came up behind him and touched the edge of his cloak. ²¹ She said to herself, "If I only touch his cloak, I will be healed."

²² Jesus turned and saw her, "Take heart, daughter," he said, "your faith has healed you." And the woman was healed at that moment.

²³ When Jesus entered the synagogue leader's house and saw the noisy crowd and people playing pipes, ²⁴ he said, "Go away. The girl is not dead but asleep." But they laughed at him. ²⁵ After the crowd

had been put outside, he went in and took the girl by the hand, and she got up. ²⁶ News of this spread through all that region.

Response to the Word

Special Music

Message

Apostle's 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, dead and buried;* the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence he shall come to judge the quick 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

Our tithes support the physical church building and staff salaries. The currency of Grace is mercy and love. These spiritual offerings bring heaven to earth as willed by God through Jesus Christ.

Postlude

THE TRINITY COMPANION

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SANCTUARY WORSHIP

Jesus ... said,
"Take heart,
daughter; your
faith has made
you well."



Matthew 9:22

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