

Introduction & Greeting

We meet in the name of God

All Father, Son and Holy Spirit

The Lord of glory be with you

All The Lord of glory bless you

From mist and darkness from restful waters

All God gather us

From health and sickness, from plenty and poverty

All God gather us

From highroads and byways, from fields and cities

All God gather us

To a feast, a banquet, to life eternal

All God gather us

Hymn: Be thou my vision

Prayers of penitence

Whoever is on the Lord's side let them join with me that we may come to the God of mercy for forgiveness

Silence

All Create a clean heart within me, O God, so that it may become your chosen shelter and the resting place of the Holy Spirit

We make the sign of the cross upon our hearts

All God of light come to us anew so that we may live in the power of your love

May Almighty God pour down upon you the rich blessing of His forgiveness, and grant to us all His love and affection that we may do His will upon earth at all times as Angels and Saints do in heaven.

All Amen

Collect

O God, you declare your almighty power most chiefly in showing mercy and pity. Mercifully grant to us a measure of your grace that we, running the way of your commandments, may receive your gracious promises, and be made partakers of your heavenly treasure. Through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

All Amen.

Ministry of the Word

The New Testament reading from Romans 11 1-2a 29-32

I ask then: Did God reject his people? By no means! I am an Israelite myself, a descendant of Abraham, from the tribe of Benjamin. God did not reject his people, whom he foreknew.

For God's gifts and his call are irrevocable. ust as you who were at one time disobedient to God have now received mercy as a result of their disobedience, so they too have now become disobedient in order that they too may now receive mercy as a result of God's mercy to you. For God has bound everyone over to disobedience so that he may have mercy on them all.

This is the word of the Lord

All Thanks be to God

Hymn: Spirit of the Living God

The Gospel

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew 15 21-28

All Glory to you O Lord

Then Jesus called the crowd to him and said to them, 'Listen and understand: it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but it is what comes out of the mouth that defiles.' Then the disciples approached and said to him, 'Do you know that the Pharisees took offence when they heard what you said?' He answered, 'Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted. Let them alone; they are blind guides of the blind. And if one blind person guides another, both will fall into a pit.' But Peter said to him, 'Explain this parable to us.' Then he said, 'Are you also still without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth enters the stomach, and goes out into the sewer? But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this is what defiles. For out of the heart come evil intentions, murder, adultery, fornication, theft, false witness, slander. These are what defile a person, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile.'

Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, 'Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon.' But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, 'Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us.' He answered, 'I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.' But she came and knelt before him, saying, 'Lord, help me.' He answered, 'It

is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs.' She said, 'Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table.' Then Jesus answered her, 'Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.' And her daughter was healed instantly.

This is the Gospel of the Lord

All Praise to you O Christ

Sermon

Music: Sung Apostles Creed

The Peace

May the Peace of the tallest mountain and the peace of the smallest stone be your peace; may the stillness of the sun and the stars be over you; may the everlasting music of the wave enfold you

The Peace of the Lord be always with you

All And also with you

Intercessions

After each petition
We pray in the name of the sacred three

All The Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit

Ending with The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name.
Thy Kingdom come.
Thy will be done in earth,
As it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,

As we forgive them that trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,

But deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,

The power, and the glory,

For ever and ever.

Amen.

Closing Words

All We bless you, God of Creation and we bless each other that the beauty of this world and love that created it might be expressed through our lives and be a blessing for others now and always. Amen

Blessing

May God give you
For every storm, a rainbow
For every tear, a smile
For every care, a promise
And a blessing in each trial.
For every problem life sends,
a faithful friend to share
For every sigh, a sweet song
And an answer to each prayer
And the blessing of God almighty
Father, Son and Holy Spirit three in One
Be upon each of you now and forever more.

All Amen

Closing music: I wonder as I wander