#### CONSECRATION

**New Testament Reading** 

Congregational Prayer, followed by...

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come, Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

\* Hymn (in lieu of the collection of tithes and offerings)

Sermon

- \* Creedal Confession
- \* Hymn

### **COMMUNION**

\* Communal Prayer (in lieu of the sacrament):

Almighty and everlasting God, in your tender love for the human race
you sent your Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ, to take upon himself our

nature, and to suffer our death upon the cross:

Mercifully grant that we may joyfully walk in the way of his suffering, and also partake of his resurrection life.

We have tasted of your goodness, and we long for your presence; Fill us by your mercy, we pray.

We have tasted of your power and we hunger and thirst for your Spirit; Fill us by your mercy, we pray.

Sustain us with your sovereign grace, especially during this season, and until we reach the eternal feast of our heavenly rest,

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

### **COMMISSION**

- \* Hymn
- \* Benediction, followed by Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Amen!

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Leader lines in *ITALICS*; Congregation in **BOLD**Please stand (\*) or kneel (†) with us if you are able

[Welcome & Announcements, followed by Advent Reading]

### CALL

\* Call to Worship: Scripture Reading, followed by...

Tell those who hunger for righteousness to take heart.

The Lord our God will come!

*Tell the poor in spirit to take heart.* 

The Lord our God will come!

Tell the orphan and grieving widow to take heart.

The Lord our God will come!

Warn the proud to keep watch.

The Lord our God will come!

Warn the unjust to keep watch.

The Lord our God will come!

Warn the hypocrite to keep watch.

The Lord our God will come! Amen.

- \* Greeting: Peace be with you! And also with you!
- \* Prayer of Approach:

Merciful God, who sent Your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation:

Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen!

\* Hymn

### **CONFESSION**

Old Testament Reading, followed by...

Come, let us worship and bow down;

Let us kneel before the LORD our Maker. (Psalm 95:6)

† Prayer of Confession: Silent prayer, followed by...

Blessed Jesus, you offered us all your blessings when you announced,

"Blessed are the poor in spirit" —

but we have been rich in pride.

"Blessed are those who mourn" —

but we have not known much sorrow for our sin.

"Blessed are the meek" —

but we are a stiff-necked people.

"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness" —

but we are filled to the full with other things.

"Blessed are the merciful" —

but we are harsh and impatient.

"Blessed are the pure in heart" —

but we harbour corruption in our hearts.

"Blessed are the peacemakers" —

but we have not sought reconciliation.

"Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness" – but our lives do not challenge the world.

"Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me" –

but we have hardly made it known that we are yours.

Your Law is holy and your benedictions are perfect, but they are both too great for us. You alone are blessed.

We plead with you to forgive our sins and give us the blessing of your righteousness. Amen.

† Sing (Sanctus)... Holy, holy, holy; holy is the Lord.

Holy, holy, holy; worshipped and adored. He without beginning, ageless and the same, Is and ever shall be, glory to His Name.

\* Assurance of Pardon: Isaiah 55:6-7, followed by (Sursum Corda)...

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.

It is indeed right.

\* Hymn