

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

THE CONFESSION

- P: In the name of the Father and of the +Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C: **Amen.**
P: From the Word which God has sown, a harvest will be gathered in.
C: **We have been called to work in God's vineyard, to share in God's harvest, to give God what belongs to God.**
P: "My Word shall not return to me empty," says the Lord. "It shall accomplish the thing for which I sent it."
C: **But we begrudge God's generosity.**
P: Confess your sins to your heavenly Father, and seek his undeserved gift.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

- P: Lord of the living harvest:
C: **we confess that we have sinned. In our thinking, speaking, doing-proper fruit has not been borne. Your final harvest fills our hearts with fear.**
P: "My Word shall not return to me empty," says the Lord.
C: **For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive our ingratitude and jealousy, that we may serve you faithfully.**
P: "My Word shall accomplish the thing for which I sent it," says the Lord. As one who trod the winepress alone, Jesus Christ poured out his life for you. In him there is forgiveness, life, and resurrection from the dead. By him we are redeemed and set at liberty.
C: **How great the harvest God provides! Amen.**

THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

- Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you
People: **And also with you**

THE HYMN: - "Thy Word"

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

Lord God,
you call us to work in your vineyard and leave no one standing idle.
Set us to our tasks in the work of your kingdom,
and help us to order our lives by your wisdom;
through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE FIRST AND SECOND LESSONS

THE READING OF THE HOLY GOSPEL

THE OFFICE HYMN – "The Summons"

THE SERMON: "I AM A Christian – Part 3, I Am A Disciple"

THE APOSTLES CREED

CONG: I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of
the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again 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

THE PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION

Pastor: Lord, in your mercy,


People: Hear our prayer.

THE OFFERTORY AND THE PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

THE BENEDICTION

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine upon you
and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and  give you peace.

People: Amen.

THE RECESSIONAL HYMN – “To God Be the Glory”

Pastor: Go in peace, serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God. Amen