



THE LINE

order of liturgy

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beckoning

Our Response: Receive, gather and hear.

Gospel Meaning: God calls us to worship, we gather and hear.

Introit (entrance or beginning)

- The Public work of liturgy begins with God's effort towards man.
- This is symbolized by a performance piece(s) (song, monologue, etc) which establishes the theme of the service.

Gloria Patri (Glory to the Father)

This is the people's response to the theme. The Gloria Patri follows the statement of the theme as a way of saying "This is the theme, may Glory be to God, Jesus and the Spirit from it."

The response may be spoken or sung:

- Spoken Text
 - "Glory be to the Father and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen"
- Sung Text
 - "Glory be to the Father, Glory to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. As it was, as is now, as will be forever, amen. Amen. Glory be to the Father and to

the Son, to the Holy Spirit. As it was, as it was, as is now, as will be forever, amen, Amen."

gospel

Participation: Hear

Gospel Meaning: God gives us his words, we hear and recognize

Scripture Reading

- God has given us the Scriptures: a testimony to his Son, Jesus Christ. The leader reads his words aloud, symbolizing God's call to us in His word.
- We stand and thank him in response

Sermon

God empowers and inspires leaders to communicate the truth of Scripture to us. We respond in faith by hearing, wrestling and believing the Gospel.

Prayer for Communion

recognition

Participation: Believe.

Gospel Meaning: God calls out and judges our sin, we agree and believe.

Confession and Repentance

God sees that we are filled with sin and rightfully judges our sin. The leader reads a passage that establishes the fact of our sin.

Communion

God provides for us a tangible way of receiving and remembering his sacrifice on the cross. In communion, the table is set before us, the bread broken, the wine poured, and our role is to take and eat - to be nourished by his starvation - to be filled through the emptying of himself.

Gospel Proclamation

God is the one who judges, who saves and who proclaims freedom to captives. It is not the job of the people to convince themselves of God's love - he proclaims it over them. This is symbolized by the leader proclaiming salvation to the people.

the celebration

Man's Response: Celebrate.

Gospel Meaning: God saves us in our sin, we believe and celebrate

Praise, Adoration, Thanksgiving

We respond to God's proclamation of salvation with exuberance and joy. The opportunity is given through singing or Scripture reading. This is the work of the people, but still the substance of praise is provided. This is symbolized by reading Scripture or singing a song that was crafted for that purpose.

God provides for us, even in our response to Him.

the benediction

Man's Response: Receive, Go, Thrive

Gospel Meaning: God blesses us and sends us on a mission, we leave to be the body of Christ in the world

Benediction

God gathered us, for the purpose of blessing us through his Son, Jesus Christ. We symbolize this by turning out our hands and receiving the words that the leader speaks.