



A Colonial Liturgy in English

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An order for the worship of Almighty God among English-speaking people in the American colonies translated from the liturgy prepared in 1748 by Henry Melchior Muhlenberg, Peter Brunnholz and John F. Handschuh and faithfully adhering to the three surviving copies of the same handwritten by Jacob VanBuskerk in 1763, by Peter Muhlenberg in 1769, and by Jacob Goering in 1774.

THE MANNER IS WHICH PUBLIC WORSHIP SHALL BE
CONDUCTED IN ALL OUR CONGREGATIONS

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Prelude

“Prelude and Fugue in G Minor”

J. S. Bach
(1685-1750)

When the pastor enters, the congregation shall rise and the service shall begin with the singing of the hymn.

Hymn

All People That on Earth Do Dwell

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The hymn ended, the pastor shall go to the altar, turn his face to the congregation and say: (The confession of Sins: the congregation shall kneel or sit.)

Beloved in the Lord! Thus saith the high and holy One whom inhabiteth eternity, whose name is holy: I dwell in the high and holy place with him who is contrite in heart, to revive the spirit of the humble and the heart of the contrite. I will not always chide, neither will I keep my anger forever. Only acknowledge thine iniquity, that thou hast transgressed against the Lord, thy God. If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just to forgive our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness, Let us, therefore, confess our sins, saying:

(The congregation shall repeat each phrase after the pastor.)

I, a poor sinner/confess unto God, my heavenly Father/that I have grievously sinned against Him in many ways/not only by outward and gross sins/ but even more by inward blindness of heart/unbelief, doubt, despair/impatience, pride, selfishness/lust of the flesh, avarice/envy, hatred and malice/and by other sinful passions/ which are naked and open in Thy sight, O Lord/but which I, alas, cannot fully understand./ I

do earnestly repent/ and am heartily sorry for these my sins/ and with my whole heart/ implore Thy divine grace/ through The dear Son, Jesus Christ/ being resolved with the help of the Holy Spirit/ to amend my sinful life. Amen.

Then shall be said, responsively:

Lord God, the Father in heaven:

Have mercy upon us.

Lord God the Son, Redeemer of the world:

Have mercy upon us.

Lord God the Holy Ghost:

Have mercy upon us, and grant us Thy peace. Amen.

After the confession the congregation shall rise and the hymn shall be sung.

Hymn of Praise

Praise the Lord! O Heavens

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During the singing of the last verse the pastor goes to the altar, turns his face to the congregation and says:

The Lord be with you

And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

Then shall the pastor pray the Collect for the day or festival as appointed in the Marburg Hymnal.

Lord, God heavenly Father, since the Archfiend, like a roaring lion, is forever sniffing, prowling about, and sneaking after us to gobble us up: We beseech Thee to set him at nought by Thy Holy Spirit and to strengthen our hearts by Thy word, that we may not become the prey of the Devil but evermore stand fast in Thy grace and be saved; through Thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

From the Marburg Hymnal for the First Sunday in Lent or other appropriate occasions.

The Collect ended, the Congregation may be seated.

The pastor shall read the Epistle appointed for the day, introducing the lesson as follows:

Let us devoutly listen to the reading of the Epistle written in the 13th Chapter of Romans beginning at the first verse:

Let every soul be subject unto the higher powers. For there is no power but of God: the powers that be are ordained of God. ² Whosoever therefore resisteth the power, resisteth the ordinance of God: and they that resist shall receive to themselves damnation. ³ For rulers are not a terror to good works, but to the evil. Wilt thou then not be afraid of the power? do that which is good, and thou shalt have praise of the same: ⁴ For he is the minister of God to thee for good. But if thou do that which is evil, be afraid; for he beareth not the sword in vain: for he is the minister of God, a revenger to execute wrath upon him that doeth evil. ⁵ Wherefore ye must needs be subject, not only for wrath, but also for conscience sake. ⁶ For for this cause pay ye tribute also: for they are God's ministers, attending continually upon this very thing. ⁷ Render therefore to all their dues: tribute to whom tribute is due; custom to whom custom; fear to whom fear; honour to whom honour. ⁸ Owe no man any thing, but to love one another: for he that loveth another hath fulfilled the law. ⁹ For this, Thou shalt not commit adultery, Thou shalt not kill, Thou shalt not steal, Thou shalt not bear false witness, Thou shalt not covet; and if there be any other commandment, it is briefly comprehended in this saying, namely, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. ¹⁰ Love worketh no ill to his neighbour: therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.

The epistle being ended, a hymn may be sung.

(Ein Feste Burg)

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| 1. God is our Refuge in Distress,
Our strong Defense and Armor,
He's present, when we're comfortless,
In Storms he is our Harbor;
Th' infernal Enemy
Look! How enrag'd is he!
He now exerts his Force
To stop the Gospel-Course;
Who can withstand the Tyrant? | 2. All human Power is but Dust;
Our strength an idle Story;
The Valiant Man, in whom we trust,
Is Christ, the Son of Glory.
He is the Conqueror
Vested with sov'reign Power,
The Lord both Great and Good
The only living God,
Gains us the Field of Battle. |
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GOSPEL

Let us devoutly listen to the reading of the Holy Gospel written in the 21st Chapter of St. Matthew beginning at the thirty-third verse.

³³ Hear another parable: There was a certain householder, which planted a vineyard, and hedged it round about, and digged a winepress in it, and built a tower, and let it out to husbandmen, and went into a far country:³⁴ And when the time of the fruit drew near, he sent his servants to the husbandmen, that they might receive the fruits of it.³⁵ And the husbandmen took his servants, and beat one, and killed another, and stoned another.³⁶ Again, he sent other servants more than the first: and they did unto them likewise.³⁷ But last of all he sent unto them his son, saying, They will reverence my son.³⁸ But when the husbandmen saw the son, they said among themselves, This is the heir; come, let us kill him, and let us seize on his inheritance.³⁹ And they caught him, and cast him out of the vineyard, and slew him.⁴⁰ When the lord therefore of the vineyard cometh, what will he do unto those husbandmen?⁴¹ They say unto him, He will miserably destroy those wicked men, and will let out his vineyard unto other husbandmen, which shall render him the fruits in their seasons.

The Gospel being ended, a hymn may be sung.

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| 1. Dearest Jesus, we are here.
To be in Thy Word instructed;
Guide our Hearts, O Thou, who'rt near;
Let our Minds hence be conducted
And from Earth be elevated;
Where we wish to be translated. | 2. All our Knowledge brings no Light
But is vain and dark by Nature,
Till thy Holy Spirit bright
Forms within us the New Creature,
Pious Thoughts and true Devotion
Have their Source from thy blest Motion. |
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Sermon

The congregation shall kneel or sit for the PRAYER OF THE CHURCH.

Prayer of the Church

ALMIGHTY eternal God, our merciful Father in Jesus Christ: We give Thee most hearty thanks that in this life thou hast hitherto preserved us through the Gospel of Thy Son, and by enabling us to hear Thy holy word in peace and quiet to the end, dost call and prepare us for the life to come.

We humbly beseech Thee, continue to look upon us in Thy grace. Forgive us our sins and trespasses, and renew us in the spirit of our mind, that in holiness and righteousness we may please Thee all the days of our life. Preserve us to the preaching of Thy word, and the right administration of Thy holy sacraments, and give us and our descendants true shepherds and teachers. By the power of godliness drive from us all temptations and enticements so that with one accord, in this land as well as in all Christendom, Thy Name may be hallowed, Thy kingdom increased, and the power of Satan destroyed. Graciously aid Thy churches everywhere, especially those suffering persecution, and provide them with defenders from among all rulers and their subjects.

O most loving God and Lord, direct our Governor and all in authority with the spirit of wisdom and understanding, and bless them with Thy divine benediction. Bless us and all sovereign countries, the Christian upbringing of children, and all honorable occupations and vocations on land and sea. Remember in thy mercy our spiritual fathers, friends and benefactors in England and Germany. Take under Thy mighty and merciful protections all who are with child and all nursing mothers. Help everyone in time of need, and take pity on all who in any place cry to thee. Keep us in Thy love, and grant that everywhere all things may work together for good.

In Thy mercy turn away from us all well-deserved catastrophes: war and pestilence, hunger and famine, calamity by fire and water, and such other afflictions of man or beast, and whatever else we by our sins have brought upon us. Grant favorable weather that the fruits of the earth may prosper, and be Thou the Saviour of all men. Especially of them that believe.

O Thou holy God, preserve us from sin and shame, and stand by us with Thy good Spirit, that we forfeit not Thy blessing by our transgressions and thus bring upon ourselves Thy righteous judgement. O Lord, we acknowledge that when in Thy longsuffering Thou dost spare us, it is not our righteousness but Thy mercy alone which moves Thee, for we are altogether unprofitable servants and handmaids in Thy sight. By the same mercy continue Thy grace towards us and direct our hearts to love for our neighbor and compassion for all the distressed, and make us not to forget to do good to all, even our enemies.

Preserve us from sudden and evil death, and through Thy Spirit and grace prepare us more and more for a blessed end. Especially in the hour of death, drive Satan and all his wiles from us and increase in us faith in Thy Son Jesus, that we may overcome the fear of death.

When our ears no longer can hear, then let Thy Holy Spirit bear witness to our spirit that we shall be received by Thee with Jesus in paradise as Thy children and joint-heirs with Christ. When our eyes no longer can see, then open the eyes of our faith to see Thy heavens opening before us and the Lord Jesus seated at his Father's right hand, that we also may be where he is. When our tongue no longer can speak, then especially let Thy Spirit intercede for us before Thy face with effable sighs, and teach us to cry in our heart, Abba, Father. So grant, O faithful God, that we may live in Thy fear, die in Thy grace, depart in Thy peace, rest in the grave under Thy protection, be raised by Thy power, and thereafter inherit the blessed hope, even eternal life, all for the sake of Thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with Thee and the Holy Spirit, be blessing and honor and glory and praise, now and forever more. Amen.

After the general prayer, intercessory petitions for the sick may be made, in case request has been made to that effect. Then shall follow the Lord's Prayers and then whatever proclamations, publication of the banns, and notices may be required.

The Lord's Prayer (German)

Vater unser im Himmel,
geheiligt werde dein Name;
dein Reich komme;
dein Wille geschehe,
wie im Himmel so auf Erden.
Unser tägliches Brot gib uns heute.
Und vergib uns unsere Schuld,
wie auch wir vergeben unsern Schuldigern;
und führe uns nicht in Versuchung,
sondern erlöse uns von dem Bösen.

Denn dein ist das Reich und die Kraft
und die Herrlichkeit in Ewigkeit. Amen.

The congregation may be seated and a hymn shall be sung in churches where the offering is received after the sermon, the hymn shall continue until the collecting is finished.

Offering

Offertory Hymn

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

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Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. **And with thy spirit.**

Let us lift up our hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of Sabaoth. **The world is full of his glory.**

Words of Institution

Our Lord Jesus Christ in the night which He was betrayed, took bread; and when He had given thanks, he brake it and gave it to His disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is My Body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me"

After the same manner also He took the cup when He had supped, and when He has given thanks, He gave it to them saying, "Drink ye all of it; this cup is the New Testament in My Blood, which is shed for you for the remission of sins. This do, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Distribution

Communion Hymn *Soul, Adorn Thyself with Gladness*

#488

P: Oh, give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good: Hallelujah!

C: **And his mercy endures forever; Hallelujah!**

Post Communion Prayer

Support us O Lord, that we may live, and let us not be ashamed of our hope. Help us by Thy might that we may grow strong and delight evermore in Thy statutes; through Jesus Christ, Thy dear Son, our Lord. Amen.

Farewell and Godspeed – WELCA Triennial Convention

Blessing

The Lord bless thee and keep thee. The Lord make his face shine upon thee and be gracious unto thee. The Lord lift up his countenance upon thee and give thee peace. In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. **Amen.**

Hymn

My Country 'Tis of Thee

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| 1. My country, 'tis of thee,
Sweet land of liberty.
Of thee I sing;
Land where my fathers died,
Land of the pilgrims' pride,
From every mountain side
Let freedom ring. | 2. My native country, thee
Land of the noble, free-
Thy Name I love;
I love thy rocks and rills,
Thy woods and templed hills;
My heart with rapture thrills
Like that above. |
| 3. Let music swell the breeze,
And ring from all the trees,
Sweet freedom's song;
Let mortal tongues awake,
Let all that breathe partake,
Let rocks their silence break,
The sound prolong. | 4. Our father's God, to thee,
Author of liberty,
To thee I sing;
Long may our land be bright
With freedom's holy light;
Protect us by thy might
Great God, our King. |

Postlude

“Allegro”

J. G. Walther
(1684-1758)

Altar flowers are presented in honor of Kyle Knauss's 30th birthday by Gail & Jeff Rarick.

SERVING TODAY:

9:15 AM

LECTOR: Deb Bolinsky; COMMUNION ASSISTANT: Greg Sklar; USHERS: Ken Miller III & Becky Wehr; GREETER: Gerald Hinnershitz; COUNTERS: Sarah Kramer, Tom & Gwen Wehr; ALTAR GUILD: Glenda Bright & Barb Lafko.

SERVING NEXT WEEK (7/9/16):

9:15 AM

LECTOR: Jeff Ritschel; COMMUNION ASSISTANT: Samantha Clarke; USHERS: Jerry & Barb Hinnershitz; GREETERS: Jerry Hinnershitz & Karen Shoener; ALTAR GUILD: Joyce O'Rourke & Danielle Richards; ACOLYTE: Emily Heydt; CRUCIFER: Austin Heydt; COUNTERS: Rosalie Wingle, Marlene Eidam, & Mary Ellen Hering.

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BULLETIN SPONSORSHIPS NEEDED!

July 16

July 23

July 30

SUMMER MUSICIANS

Don't miss these upcoming musicians!

7/9/17 – Dale Bonenberger, Organist

7/16/17 – Jaqueline Markus & Justin McClure, Duet

7/23/17 – Maddie Swick, Vocal Solo

7/30/17 – Jennifer & Lindsay Betz, Duet

8/6/17 – Janice Snyder, Vocal Solo

8/13/17 – Kathie Frantz, Chris Long, Cindy Ritschel, & Sue Schenck

8/20/17 – Steve Couch, Horn

8/27/17 – Tom & Gwen Wehr, Duet

9/3/17 – Jan & Friend

2017 CHURCH PICNIC

It's not too early to mark your calendar for the church picnic on **July 23rd!** Everyone, young and old, is invited to attend the annual picnic, beginning with worship at **11:00 AM, at Albright's Woods Park.**

A covered dish social will follow worship. Bring a chair and a covered dish to share. Hot dogs and drinks will be provided.

The Evangelism Committee would appreciate donations for bingo prizes.

We will need an estimate of attendance to provide the hot dogs and drinks.

Please sign up ASAP on the sheet in the gathering room.

Come and share the fun with your church family!

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Calendar	Monday, July 3	Office closed	
	Tuesday, July 4	Office closed	
	Wednesday, July 5	Office open 10 AM – 3 PM	
	Thursday, July 6	Office closed	
	Friday, July 7	Office closed	
	Saturday, July 8	5:30 PM	Worship
	Sunday, July 9	9:15 AM	Worship
	Monday, July 10	6:30 PM	Mutual Ministry

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WE ARE SEEKING A SEXTON

The work includes weekly cleaning on the worship level and the third floor and outside upkeep, including mowing and tending the grounds.

The job description is available on our Facebook page and website.

If you are interested please call and leave a message with one of the offices.
570-366-2316.

CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS

Please touch base with Pastor for a few minutes before you leave today. Thanks.

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This weekend we send two of our women from Women of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America to represent us at the National Triennial Convention, Gail Rarick & Robin Zimmerman. Keep them in your prayers as they represent St. Paul’s, Orwigsburg.

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A Prayer for Our Nation

Lord of all worlds, guide this nation by your Spirit to go forward in justice and freedom. Give to all our people the blessings of well-being and harmony, but above all things give us faith in you, that our nation may bring glory to your name and blessings to all peoples, through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. Amen.

