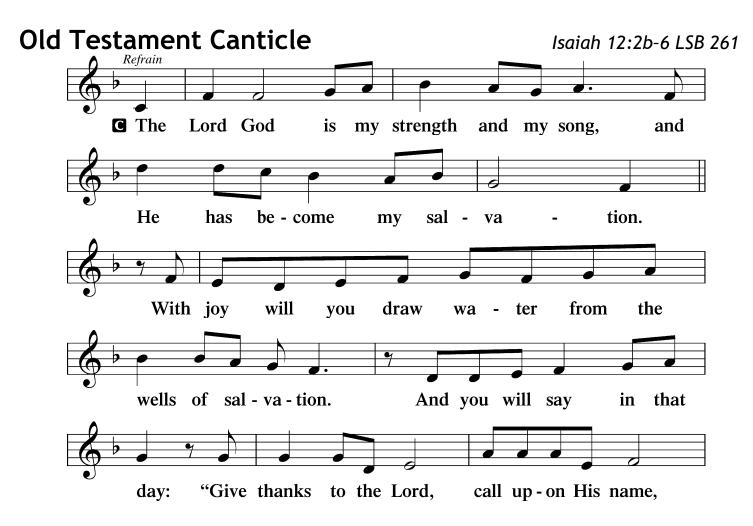
### July 24, 2022 Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

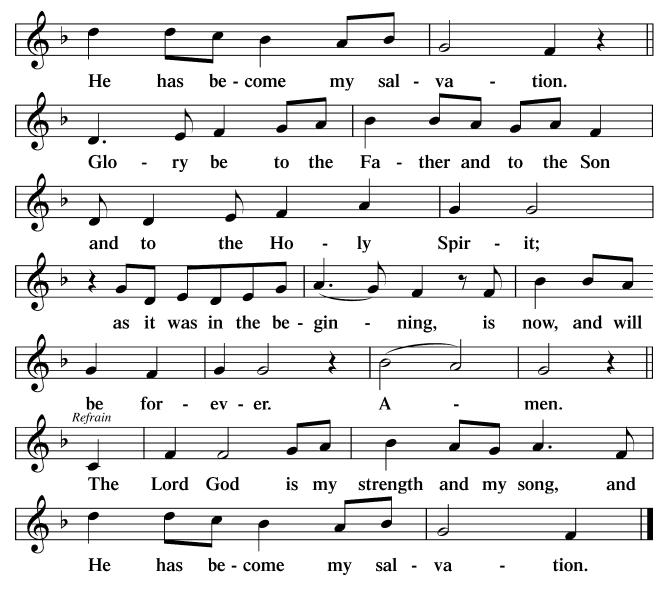


# **Opening Versicles**

- **L** This is the day which the Lord has made;
- **C** let us rejoice and be glad in it.
- **L** From the rising of the sun to its setting,
- **C** the name of the Lord is to be praised.
- **L** Better is one day in Your courts than a thousand elsewhere;
- **C** I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked.
- **L** Make me to know Your ways, O Lord.
- **C** Teach me Your paths.
- **L** Sanctify us in Your truth.
- **C** Your Word is truth.
- **L** From the rising of the sun to its setting,
- **C** the name of the Lord is to be praised.
- **G** 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.







#### Sit Psalm 138

antiphon v. 3

On the day I called, you answered me; my strength of soul you increased.

<sup>1</sup>I give you thanks, O LORD, with my whole heart;

before the gods I sing your praise;

<sup>2</sup>I bow down toward your holy temple and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness, **for you have exalted above all things your name and your word.** 

<sup>3</sup>On the day I called, you answered me;

my strength of soul you increased.

<sup>4</sup>All the kings of the earth shall give you thanks, O LORD, **for they have heard the words of your mouth,** 

<sup>5</sup>and they shall sing of the ways of the LORD, for great is the glory of the LORD.
<sup>6</sup>For though the LORD is high, he regards the lowly, but the haughty he knows from afar.
<sup>7</sup>Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you preserve my life;
you stretch out your hand against the wrath of my enemies, and your right hand delivers me.

<sup>8</sup>The LORD will fulfill his purpose for me;

your steadfast love, O LORD, endures forever.

Do not forsake the work of your hands.

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.

On the day I called, you answered me; my strength of soul you increased.

#### **Old Testament Reading**

**L** A reading from Genesis, chapter 18.

<sup>20</sup>Then the LORD said, "Because the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah is great and their sin is very grave, <sup>21</sup>I will go down to see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me. And if not, I will know."

<sup>22</sup>So the men turned from there and went toward Sodom, but Abraham still stood before the LORD. <sup>23</sup>Then Abraham drew near and said, "Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? <sup>24</sup>Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city. Will you then sweep away the place and not spare it for the fifty righteous who are in it? <sup>25</sup>Far be it from you to do such a thing, to put the righteous to death with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?" <sup>26</sup>And the LORD said, "If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will spare the whole place for their sake."

<sup>27</sup>Abraham answered and said, "Behold, I have undertaken to speak to the Lord, I who am but dust and ashes. <sup>28</sup>Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking. Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?" And he said, "I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there." <sup>29</sup>Again he spoke to him and said, "Suppose forty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of forty I will not do it." <sup>30</sup>Then he said, "Oh let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak. Suppose thirty are found there." He answered, "I will not do it, if I find thirty

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Genesis 18:20-33

there." <sup>31</sup>He said, "Behold, I have undertaken to speak to the Lord. Suppose twenty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it." <sup>32</sup>Then he said, "Oh let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak again but this once. Suppose ten are found there." He answered, "For the sake of ten I will not destroy it." <sup>33</sup>And the LORD went his way, when he had finished speaking to Abraham, and Abraham returned to his place.

**L** O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C** Thanks be to God.

### Gradual

Romans 10:15b, 18b; Isaiah 52:7b, alt.

How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news,

who publish peace and bring good news of salvation.

Their voice has gone out to all the earth,

and their words to the ends of the world.

### Epistle

Colossians 2:6-19

**L** A reading from Colossians, chapter 2.

<sup>6</sup>Therefore, as you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in him, <sup>7</sup>rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

<sup>8</sup>See to it that no one takes you captive by philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the world, and not according to Christ. <sup>9</sup>For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, <sup>10</sup>and you have been filled in him, who is the head of all rule and authority. <sup>11</sup>In him also you were circumcised with a circumcision made without hands, by putting off the body of the flesh, by the circumcision of Christ, <sup>12</sup>having been buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through faith in the powerful working of God, who raised him from the dead. <sup>13</sup>And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, <sup>14</sup>by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross. <sup>15</sup>He disarmed the rulers and authorities and put them to open shame, by triumphing over them in him.

<sup>16</sup>Therefore let no one pass judgment on you in questions of food and drink, or with regard to a festival or a new moon or a Sabbath. <sup>17</sup>These are a shadow of the things to come, but the substance belongs to Christ. <sup>18</sup>Let no one

disqualify you, insisting on asceticism and worship of angels, going on in detail about visions, puffed up without reason by his sensuous mind, <sup>19</sup> and not holding fast to the Head, from whom the whole body, nourished and knit together through its joints and ligaments, grows with a growth that is from God.



O Lord, have mercy on us. С Thanks be to God.

#### Stand **Holy Gospel**

A reading from Luke, chapter 11. 

<sup>1</sup>Now Jesus was praying in a certain place, and when he finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples." <sup>2</sup>And he said to them, "When you pray, say:

"Father, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. <sup>3</sup>Give us each day our daily bread, <sup>4</sup>and forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone who is indebted to us.

And lead us not into temptation."

<sup>5</sup>And he said to them, "Which of you who has a friend will go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves, <sup>6</sup>for a friend of mine has arrived on a journey, and I have nothing to set before him'; <sup>7</sup>and he will answer from within, 'Do not bother me; the door is now shut, and my children are with me in bed. I cannot get up and give you anything'? <sup>8</sup>I tell you, though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, yet because of his impudence he will rise and give him whatever he needs. <sup>9</sup>And I tell you, ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. <sup>10</sup>For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened. <sup>11</sup>What father among you, if his son asks for a fish, will instead of a fish give him a serpent; <sup>12</sup>or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? <sup>13</sup>If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

- **[L**] O Lord, have mercy on us.
- C Thanks be to God.

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# Responsory

- **L** Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.
- **C** Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.
- **L** Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it.
- C Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.
- **L** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.
- C Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

# Catechism

## **Ten Commandments**

**C** You shall have no other gods.

You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.

Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.

Honor your father and your mother.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

You shall not covet your neighbor's house.

You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

# Creed

**C** I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life + everlasting. Amen.

#### Lord's Prayer

C Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

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Pulpit 6 Forgive our sins, Lord, we implore, That they may trouble us no more; We, too, will gladly those forgive Who hurt us by the way they live. Help us in our community To serve each other willingly. Lectern 7 Lead not into temptation, Lord, Where our grim foe and all his horde Would vex our souls on ev'ry hand. Help us resist, help us to stand Firm in the faith, a mighty host, Through comfort of the Holy Ghost.

Pulpit 8 From evil, Lord, deliver us;
The times and days are perilous.
Redeem us from eternal death,
And, when we yield our dying breath,
Console us, grant us calm release,
And take our souls to You in peace.

All 9 Amen, that is, so shall it be. Make strong our faith in You, that we May doubt not but with trust believe That what we ask we shall receive. Thus in Your name and at Your Word We say, "Amen, O hear us, Lord!"

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### Sermon

# Rev. Philip Zielinski

### Offering

Note: Please continue to place your offerings into the plates as you enter or leave church as we will not be passing the plates through the congregation. The offering plates will be brought forward at this time to remind us that our offerings are given in thankfulness to Him for His blessings to each of us.

# Prayers

**P** Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Heavenly Father, Your Son has taught us to pray that Your name would be hallowed and Your kingdom come, and for all our needs of body and soul. Grant us trusting hearts that turn to You in all joy and sorrow, finding in Your fatherly goodness and will all that we ask, seek, need or desire. Lord, in Your mercy,



- Gracious Lord, Your righteous Son intercedes on behalf of sinners before Your throne. When the outcry of our sin troubles us, grant faithful pastors to speak Your Word of warning and comfort, that we may be drawn in repentance to His cross and seek shelter in His mercy, and so escape destruction. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- P Almighty Father, You have given all rule and authority to Jesus Christ, our Lord. May our homes be permeated by Your Word, that all families may dwell in the light of Your Son. Grant Your Holy Spirit to husbands and wives, parents and children, young and old, and all who live alone, that we may not be taken captive by the spirit of the world but rather built up into Him who is the Head. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- ▶ Lord of hosts, You judge the sinful deeds of man in righteousness. Grant us civil leaders who serve in accordance with Your will, condemning what is evil and approving what is good. May all nations be brought to see the wisdom and glory of Your Son and dwell together in peace and humility. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- P Merciful Father, You give good gifts to Your children. Grant Your Holy Spirit to [\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and all] those who suffer in body, mind and soul, that confident in Your mercy, they may look to You for comfort and peace in their afflictions. Grant them healing according to Your will and patience to bear their crosses. Lord, in Your mercy,

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**C** hear our prayer.

- ▶ Lord God, heavenly Father, we ask Your blessing and look to You as the Giver of all good gifts. Make us ever eager to come to You in prayer and thanksgiving, as Your Son has taught us. By Your Holy Spirit, bring us to behold in Christ the fulfillment of those things for which we pray Your holy name, Your coming kingdom, daily bread, forgiveness, shelter in temptation and deliverance from every evil; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- **C** Amen.

# Collect of the Day

- L O Lord, let Your merciful ears be attentive to the prayers of Your servants, and by Your Word and Spirit teach us how to pray that our petitions may be pleasing before You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- **C** Amen.

# Collect for the Word

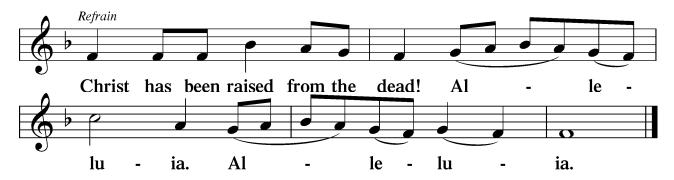
- L Almighty God, heavenly Father, Your mercies are new to us every morning and, though we in no wise deserve Your goodness, You abundantly provide for all our wants of body and soul. Give us, we humbly pray, Your Holy Spirit that we may heartily acknowledge Your merciful goodness toward us, give thanks for all Your benefits, and cheerfully serve You; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- **C** Amen.

# **Morning Prayer**

**C** I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

### **New Testament Canticle**





### Blessing

- **L** Let us bless the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.
- **C** Amen.

### Closing Hymn: 770 What a Friend We Have in Jesus LSB 770



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Today Tuesday Wednesday **NEXT SUNDAY**  12:00 - 2:00 PM 5:00 - 7:00 PM 10:00 AM **10:30 AM**  Walk-In Communion Walk-In Communion Bible Study ONE WORSHIP SERVICE at Mill Stream Park in Valley City

<u>ANNUAL CHURCH PICNIC</u> is next Sunday, July 31st at 10:30 AM. This event will again be catered; **if you have not yet signed-up at the Welcome Center please do so today** so that it will help with the food order. Beginning with the Worship Service, food, fun and fellowship will follow.

**<u>BYO-TABLEWARE</u>** For the church picnic, please bring your own plates and silverware.

**SPECIAL GUEST PREACHER on AUGUST 14th** Rev. Garrett Buvinghausen and family will be visiting and he will be preaching. We look forward to having them with us. We will have fellowship time between services to catch-up. Rev. Buvinghausen served as vicar at St. Paul from 2017-2018.

<u>PLEASE NOTE</u> Due to our special guests, our last scheduled Summer Fellowship Hour date has been moved-up to **Sunday**, **August 14th**, between services. Please consider bringing an item/dish to share by signing-up at the Welcome Center.

<u>+ ROY HAGER +</u> Our brother in Christ was called home to Heaven last week. In a unique circumstance, the sheriff department has not been able to locate any next of kin. Because of this, the county would have handled his burial arrangements in a township cemetery.

Pastor, the Elders, and Executive Board determined that it would be more appropriate for Roy to be buried here at St. Paul among his church family. For this to happen, we have paid for his cremation and will plan a committal of his remains in the coming weeks.

The congregation is invited to contribute toward these expenses as a memorial to Roy. If you are so moved, please include in the memo line "Roy Hager Memorial." Any excess will remain in our memorial fund and shortfall will be covered by other undesignated memorials.

**DESIGNATING NEXT-OF-KIN** Through the BMV and your driver's license you can designate a contact person, preferably a family member of some sort since they would have legal standing to coordinate final arrangements if necessary.

**EMERGENCY CONTACT** Take a moment and provide the church office with an emergency contact so that we can reach out if you are hospitalized or we have trouble contacting you. You can use the attendance slip in the bulletin or call/email the church office with that information. It will remain confidential in our records.

**PORTALS OF PRAYER** the July-Sept devotion booklets are available in the Narthex hallway, please take one home today.

**SUPPORT FOR UKRAINE** We continue to take offerings to provide relief to those affected by the war in Ukraine. Thank you to everyone who has shown their generosity.

**WORSHIP BULLETINS & ATTENDANCE SLIPS** You're encouraged to take home your worship bulletins (use the scriptures, hymns and prayers for your own devotions!). Please use the blue recycle tub that is located in the hallway as you leave the sanctuary to place ONLY bulletins and the **unused attendance slips**. Thank you.

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#### **COMMUNION OPPORTUNITIES**

Pastor is still providing individual communion opportunities for the foreseeable future.

- 1. Check the posted times for "walk-in" communion below.
- 2. Scheduling an appointment with Pastor at church or in your home.

#### "Walk-In" times at Church:

- o Sundays, 12 2pm
- Tuesdays, 5 7pm

#### Scheduling an appointment for communion at church or in your home:

- To schedule a time other than the walk-in times
  - o Call Pastor 440-458-0189
  - Visit <u>www.spvc.org</u> and click "Book with Pastor" to see available times for appointments.

**<u>TITHES & OFFERINGS</u>** are needed; our Lord still provides for us and we return to Him a portion of His generosity. You have several ways to continue contributing:

- 1. In-person Worship on Sundays at 8:00 & 10:30 AM
- 2. Mail your contributions to the church.
- 3. Talk to your bank about "bill-pay" options. They can likely send a check directly to the church on a scheduled basis.
- 4. Visit <u>www.spvc.org</u> and click on "Give Online" you'll be taken to our secure online giving site where you can make a one-time or on-going contribution.

**WATCH LIVE OR ON-DEMAND** 8:00 AM on Sundays, or on-demand at YouTube, Facebook, or www.spvc.org – on the homepage is a viewer for the livestream (when active) and for the most recent service. Bulletins are available via the link. Select the bulletin for the date of the service you are watching.

**IN-PERSON SUNDAY BIBLE CLASS** watch LIVE or On-Demand just like our worship services (YouTube, Facebook, or www.spvc.org) on Sunday mornings at 9:30 AM.

**WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY** at 10:00 AM. Attend in-person or watch the stream live and ondemand.

**PASTORAL CARE** Should you desire pastoral care, please contact the church office 330.483.3883, or 330.483.4119 and leave a message for Pastor.

**PRAYER REQUESTS** can be sent to prayer@spvc.org - also, email there to join the prayer chain and receive all the updates.

			JULY 2022			
	SERVICE	July 3rd SUNDAY	July 10th SUNDAY	July 17th SUNDAY	July 24th SUNDAY	July 31st SUNDAY
		Communion		Communion		PICNIC
ELDER	8am	Tim Wadle / Steve Kato	Steve Kato	Tim Wadle / Jim Jackson	Tim Wadle	
	10:30am	Jim Jackson / Steve Kato	Rob Zacharias	Sam Jakabcic / Rob Zacharias	Jim Jackson	All
USHERS	8am	Mark Gordon	Jim Sherry	Chris Duran	Dave Hesketh	Elders
	10:30am	Brian Dearth	Jay Moser	Brian Dearth	Jay Moser	One Service
GREETERS	8am	Heinrich & Irmgard Cordes	David & Mackenzie Duran	Dean & Beth Bremke	Heinrich & Irmgard Cordes	10:30 AM
	10:30am	Elder	Barb Pijor	Elder	Barb Pijor	
<b>ELDER INFO</b>						
Stephen Kato						
330-242-7183						
Tim Wadle						
216-214-7109						
Jim Jackson						
330-391-6393						
Rob Zacharias						
330-416-6013						
Sam Jakabcic						
216-789-1076						

### **Prayers for Worship**

#### On entering a church

Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells. In the multitude of Your tender mercies prepare my heart that I may enter Your house to worship and confess Your holy name; through Jesus Christ, my God and Lord. Amen.

#### **Before worship**

O Lord, my creator, redeemer, and comforter, as I come to worship You in spirit and in truth, I humbly pray that You would open my heart to the preaching of Your Word so that I may repent of my sins, believe in Jesus Christ as my only Savior, and grow in grace and holiness. Hear me for His sake. Amen.

#### After worship

Almighty and merciful God, I have again worshiped in Your presence and received both forgiveness for my many sins and the assurance of Your love in Jesus Christ. I thank You for this undeserved grace and ask You to keep me in faith until I inherit eternal salvation; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

### Before confession and absolution

Almighty, everlasting God, for our many sins we justly deserve eternal condemnation. In Your mercy You sent Your dear Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who won for us forgiveness of sins and everlasting salvation. Grant us a true confession that, dead to sin, we may be raised up by Your life-giving absolution. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may be ever watchful and live true and godly lives in Your service; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

#### Before communing

Dear Savior, at Your gracious invitation I come to Your table to eat and drink Your holy body and blood. Let me find favor in Your eyes to receive this holy Sacrament in faith for the salvation of my soul and to the glory of Your holy name; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

#### Thanksgiving after receiving the Sacrament

Almighty and everlasting God, I thank and praise You for feeding me the life-giving body and blood of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send me Your Holy Spirit that, having with my mouth received the holy Sacrament, I may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace, the forgiveness of sins, unity with Christ, and life eternal; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

### For blessing on the Word

Lord God, bless Your Word wherever it is proclaimed. Make it a word of power and peace to convert those not yet Your own and to confirm those who have come to saving faith. May Your Word pass from the ear to the heart, from the heart to the lip, and from the lip to the life that, as You have promised, Your Word may achieve the purpose for which You send it; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.