

**Southwestern Washington Synod
Native American Task Force
Resources for a Native American
Worship**



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“Upstream”

the artist Toni Jo Gobin is a Tulalip Tribal Member who was commissioned for this piece.

Native American Ministry has been an “Upstream” journey for many years.

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Repudiation of the Doctrine of Discovery -2019

Whereas, the whole of Creation is God's work (Ps.24:1), that God declares it all as good (Gen.1:31), that God's Spirit dwells within it (Ps.139:8-10); and we as the church confess that Jesus Christ became incarnate in human form (Jn.1) to show God's love and mercy to all humanity, in all its variety, and to every race and people on every continent of the earth(Jn.3:16,17), and

Whereas, damage has been done to the indigenous inhabitants of the Americas by the European migration to what Europeans called the "new world," but which was already the homeland of many peoples, and we recognize that some Christian bodies and denominations were, and remain, complicit in that dispossession, and that conceptions of Native peoples that continue to perpetuate prejudice and injustice against them and their descendants, and

Whereas, the historical "Doctrine of Discovery", originating with Pope Alexander VI in 1493 and further established in U.S. federal law in Johnson v. McIntosh (1823), is a corrupt legal principle that falsely declares that Native inhabitants have no property rights or any other rights which colonizing European nations are obligated to respect, and that this Doctrine of Discovery principle promoted the myth that the Americas were a largely empty land that European conquerors and migrants had a right to claim, occupy, and possess simply by virtue of their European civilization, and,

Whereas, the interactions between descendants of European settlers and Native peoples have often been unjust and exploitative, sacrificing the needs of Native populations in order to benefit the descendants of European settlers; and, therefore, that efforts toward justice must involve sustained efforts by the descendants of European settlers to correct past wrongs, and

Whereas, the 2016 ELCA Churchwide Assembly passed a resolution to repudiate the Doctrine of Discovery and has committed the ELCA to develop its strategy of reconciliation and justice with the American Indian and Alaska Native community during the next triennium, including a mechanism to grow the Native American Ministry Fund of the ELCA, Therefore,

Be it resolved, that we the people of the 2019 Southwestern Washington Synod explicitly and clearly repudiates the European-derived "Doctrine of Discovery," in solidarity with the action of The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America in 2016, and **Be it further resolved**, that the Southwestern Washington Synod acknowledges and repents of our complicity in the evils of colonialism in the Americas, and we join with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada, The Episcopal Church, The United Church of Christ, The United Methodist Church, and The Moravian Church in the practice of mutually respectful accompaniment with Native peoples, allowing these partnerships to enrich indigenous communities of the Southwestern Washington Synod of the ELCA, and

Be it further resolved, that the 2019 Southwestern Washington Synod requests the Office of the Bishop of the Southwestern Washington Synod to plan an appropriate ceremony of repentance and reconciliation with local tribal leaders, at all such times and places as are appropriate, and seek and promote opportunities for members of our synod to work collaboratively with local Native populations towards justice, development and community-building, and

Be it further resolved, that the 2019 Southwestern Washington Synod request our synodical membership to recognize annually the story, strengths and struggles of Native communities in our area, using the resources provided by the Southwestern Washington Synod Native American Task Force, including the resources for a Native American Awareness Month.

Passed June 2019 at the Southwestern Washington Synod

Prototype “Tool Kit” from Shepherd of the Hills, Lutheran Church

Listed below is the Tool Kit the Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd used and offer it as a starting point for other congregations.

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“TOOL KIT”

Recommendations for relationship building and ministry with
Native American neighbors

1. Plan a yearly Native American Celebration Sunday.
 - a. Invite a Native American speaker.
 - b. Native worship leaders and Native American congregation members are encouraged to wear tribal regalia.
 - c. Display Native American Art in both the Sanctuary and Narthex. Borrow from congregation members, local museums, private artists, collectors, etc.
 - d. Share a feast following worship that includes tribal customs and dishes. Perhaps a local tribal member can help prepare or serve.
 - e. Send notice of the celebration to local newspapers as well as post on social media inviting all to worship. RSVP required if a feast is planned.
 - f. Special offering during the worship service dedicated to an outreach program or a special need of the Native community.

2. Dedicate a year to *Seeing* your Native American neighbor. In general, invite your congregational members to NOTICE: newspaper articles (or absence of) regarding Native people, notice if the article is written by a native person. Get to know which tribes have/do live on the land on which you are situated.

Include your native neighbors in your intercessory prayers on Sunday, include prayers for water, salmon, birds and other things that have special meaning to Native people in your area. Place artwork in your narthex or fellowship area that reflects Native presence. Seek out art, movies, books, history BY Native people.

In specific:

- a) Prepare a lending library of books by Native American authors, both fiction and non-fiction (see attached list).
 - b) Create a time of specific study. For example, use The Great Courses DVD lecture series "Native Peoples of North America," a history of Native Americans beginning with the arrival of the Europeans. This is NOT what we learned in school!
 - c) Visit a local museum with Native American display(s).
 - d) Invite local native people to share their spiritual customs and practices.
 - e) Recognition of the area's historical notables, i.e. Chief Seattle, Sacagawea. Study each and share display in narthex
 - f) Invite Native Americans to speak on topics of his/her interest and/or expertise
3. Outreach to Native American children
 - a. Invite to Sunday School and worship. Provide transportation if necessary. Offer breakfast and lunch if possible.
 - b. Explore activities they may be interested in, i.e. swimming, art class, sport camp.
 - c. Every public-school district is mandated to have an Indian Education Liaison on staff? Get to know this person and invite him/her to lead a forum, give a talk during worship, find out other ways their resources might be engaged.
 4. Identify a person to liaison with a local tribe; someone who:
 - a. Knows and is trusted by tribal people.
 - b. Will be an advocate for your programs.
 5. Funding
 - a. Grants
 - b. Fundraisers
 - c. Sunday offering
 6. Be patient and always respectful building trust and relationships takes time

On the next few pages there is a starter list of movies and books that can be used in the congregation.

MOVIES

Promised Land A social justice documentary on the Duwamish and Chinook tribes, their fight for restoration, and what the federal recognition process says about indigenous sovereignty today. (Can be borrowed from the Synod Office.)

Thunderheart

Based on real events on Pine Ridge Reservation. Thuggery, murder, false conviction of a trial which continues to stand today. Movie is favored by the Lakota Sioux who see *Dances with Wolves* as a “white man's movie.”

Reel Injuns

How Hollywood influenced white Americans' views of Native Americans. Excellent resource especially for youth groups and adults to view before making service trips to Native American locations.

The Great Indian Wars 1540-1890

5-part documentary: The year 1540 was a crucial turning point in American history. The Great Indian Wars were incited by Francisco Vazquez de Coronado when his expedition to the Great Plains launched the inevitable 350-year struggle between the white man and the American Indians.

Neither Wolf nor Dog

Indie movie tells the story of an Native American Elder who wants someone to write his story. He chooses a journalist/author whose writing he likes. Nerburn responds reluctantly, has difficulty adjusting to their culture and what is expected. When Dave takes him to Wounded Knee and tells him the story. Actor Dan Bald Eagle was 95 years old. He begins to tell the story and they just let the camera roll.

BOOKS

Bitter Water Waters of Medicine Creek: A tragic clash between white and Native America by Richard Kluger [1911]

The conflict that unfolded in the newly created Washington Territory from 1853 to 1857. First governor Isaac Stevens' goal was to persuade the Indians of the Puget Sound region to turn over their ancestral lands to the federal government. The result was an outbreak of violence and rebellion, a tragic episode of frontier oppression and injustice.

The Sixth Grandfather: Black Elk's Teachings given to John G. Newhardt [1986]

Mother Earth Spirituality: Native American paths to healing ourselves and our world by Ed McGaa, Eagle Man [1990]

Fools Crow: wisdom and power ("The power and ways are given to us to be passed on to others..." Fools Crow, Ceremonial Chief of the Teton Sioux by Thomas E. Mails

Waterlily by Ella Cara Deloria, a Sioux and accomplished ethnologist. Reveals the intricate system of relatedness, obligation, and respect that governed the world of all Dakotas as it takes the protagonist, Waterlily, through the everyday and the extraordinary events of a Sioux woman's experience.

Oglala Women: myth, ritual, and reality [1986]
Covers topics such as girlhood, adolescence, womanhood, old age, growing up Oglala, men are the chiefs, hard times, sex roles and social structure.

Keep the Last Bullet for Yourself: A true story of Custer's last stand by Thomas B. Marquis [1985] Western American History. "Of all the explanations put forward since then, none will be as controversial as the one offered here by Dr. Marquis, an obscure, dedicated physician who for many years in the first quarter of this century worked with the Cheyenne people near the Custer battlefield."

Neither Wolf nor Dog by Kent Nerburn. See description of movie above.

The Wolf at Twilight by Kent Nerburn

The Girl Who Sang for the Buffalo by Kent Nerburn These books pertain to the pain of boarding school and mental illness in Native American culture.

Killers of the August Moon by David Grann The dark story of what happened to

the Osage Indians who were intentionally targeted for extermination in the 1920's. A haunting tale of unimaginable betrayal, naked greed and the birth of modern law enforcement.

Native American Tales and Legends – Edited by Allan A. McFarlan (1968)

There are probably more recent books written by Native Americans in this category. Editor is white.

The Art of American Indian Cooking – by Yeffe Kimball & Jean Anderson (1965)

A modern version of Indian cookery since it includes such ingredients as “frozen peaches” or “canned mussels”, for example. “Often it was feast or famine, but generations of Indian women managed to work out methods of grinding, soaking, baking, and stewing that best brought out the flavors of what foods they had. [European settlers adopted and adapted many Native foods.] When we forget our past, we weaken our heritage. Reminds us of the foundation of achievement our forefathers found on this continent and from which they borrowed so liberally.” Will Rogers, Jr.

Killing Custer – by James Welch with Pual Stekler (1994)

A moving and thoughtful meditation on the history of America's wars of conquest and dispossession, and on the necessity – and the difficulty – of recovering that history, and making it a part of living memory for modern- day Indians and whites. [Paul Stekler directed and co-wrote the *American Experience* film “Last Stand at Little Bighorn.”]

NATIVE AMERICAN READING LIST

(In no particular order)

Louise Erdich	The Round House The Master Bucher's Singing Club The Last Report On The Miracles at Little No Horse Love Medicine
Louise Erdich & Michael Dorris	The Crown of Columbus
Michael Dorris	A Yellow Raft in Blue Water Paper Trail
Sherman Alexie	The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian The Lone Ranger and Tonto Fist Fight in Heaven A Memoir: You Don't Have to Say you Love Me
Craig Lesley	River Song
David Hurst Thomas	Exploring Ancient Native America, An Archeological Guide
John (Fire) Lame Deer & Richard Erdoes	Lame Deer Seeker of Visions, The Life of a Sioux Medicine Man
Dee Brown	Bury My Heart at Wounded Knee
Robert Burnette & John Koster	The Road to Wounded Knee
John Sauter & Bruce Johnson	Tillamook Indians of the Oregon Coast
Nancy Wood	Spirit Walker Many Winters
Robert Utley	The Lance and the Shield, The Life and Times of Sitting Bull
Stephen Dow Beckham	The Indians of Western Oregon, This Land Was Theirs
Eugene S. Hunn, James Selam & Family	Nchi'i-Wana "The Big River" Mid-Columbia Indians and Their Land

The Prayer of Four Directions

Welcome

The native peoples' understanding is that the human stands at the middle of the circle. Every action, every word is a prayer which affects the family, the clan, the nation, the two-leggeds, the four-leggeds, the wingeds, the water, the air, mother earth, the Great Spirit. Everything is interconnected. Within that context, one is to strive for balance in one's walk on the sacred path of life. One can choose to learn the teachings of only one direction, and this is okay. No one can judge another's spiritual path choice. But it is understood that wholeness or the universe is achieved when all things are in balance.

Opening Hymn: Canticle of the Turning..... ELW #723

Invocation

Leader: In the name of the Creator, the fountain of life, in the name of Christ, the pulse of life, and in the name of the Spirit, the breath of life.

All: Amen.

Leader: Blessed are you, Holy and Living One.

All: You come to your people and set them free.

Leader: Creating God, we are all your children.

All: We hear you in the wind and waters; we know your face in the faces of other people and of all our relations with whom we share the earth.

Leader: Creating God, you are the giver of all life. You know us as your own creation, and we offer you our gratitude and praise.

All: For even the air we breathe fills us with your life.

PRAYER OF FOUR DIRECTIONS

All Face East

Leader: From the East comes the breath of the mountains, wisdom and knowledge, and the light of the rising sun.

All: Give us your wisdom, Creator in our use of the earth and her resources, and in seeking justice for all our people. Give us light.

All Face South

Leader: From the South comes the breath of Summer, guidance, and the beginning and end of life.

All: May we find good paths to walk, Creator and let us walk them as brothers and sisters, sharing one another's sorrows and rejoicing with one another together with your creation.

All Face West

Leader: From the West comes the breath of the sea, and waters to purify and cleanse.

All: May we help to make these waters pure again, Creator as we ask that we, too, may be purified by your Spirit.

All Face North

Leader: From the North come the breath of winter and winds that purify and cleanse.

All: May we help to make this air pure again, Creator and we ask that the seasons of life be sustained and nurtured in all the circle of life.

Facing Center

Leader: We turn towards one another.

All: May we see you and your gifts in each person here, Creator, remembering the love with which you created each of us as we ask you to bless your holiness and your presence.

Leader: Spirit of Ages, Creator of life and love, whose names and attributes are infinite, knowable and unknown: Hear our prayer.

We are those who are innocent and those who are wise. We are those who are proud and those who are humble. We are those who are accepted and those who are shunned without understanding why.

We are those who love life and those who are fearful and confused. We are those who know abundance and those who know scarcity. We are inheritors of the past and architects of the future. We are givers and we are receivers.

We are larger than our skins and smaller than our egos. We are diversity incarnate, dressed in all the glorious hues of ethnicity and all the fascinating textures of genetics. We seek a common language, a language of love, hope and reconciliation.

All: Ancient One, know us in our rich diversity, for we struggle to know ourselves and one another.

Wise One, know us in our myriad similarities, for we are forgetful and need reminding.

Dear One, know us in our many disguises, for we need but one thing: to love our neighbors and to know we are worthy of love. In this we are as one. Amen.

Leader: We pray together,

All: Creator, of unchangeable power, when you fashioned the world the morning stars sang together, and the host of heaven shouted for joy;

open your eyes to the wonders of creation, and teach us to use all things for good, to the honor of your glorious name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Closing Hymn “Lord Listen to your children Praying”

ELW #752

Prayer of Four Directions, Chief Seattle

Great Spirit of Light, come to me out of the East (red) with the power of the rising sun. Let there be light in my words, let there be light on my path that I walk. Let me remember always that you give the gift of a new day. And never let me be burdened with sorrow by not starting over again.

Great Spirit of Creation, send me the warm and soothing winds from the South (yellow). Comfort me and caress me when I am tired and cold. Unfold me like the gentle breezes that unfold the leaves on the trees. As you give to all the earth your warm, moving wind, give to me, so that I may grow close to you in warmth. Man did not create the web of life, he is but a strand in it. Whatever man does to the web, he does to himself.

Great Life-Giving Spirit, I face the west (black), the direction of sundown. Let me remember everyday that the moment will come when my sun will go down. Never let me forget that I must fade into you. Give me a beautiful color, give me a great sky for setting, so that when it is my time to meet you, I can come with glory.

Great Spirit of Love, come to me with the power of the North (white). Make me courageous when the cold wind falls upon me. Give me strength and endurance for everything that is harsh, everything that hurts, everything that makes me squint. Let me move through life ready to take what comes from the north

Prayers for the Tribal Nations in Washington State

To be used in the Holden Prayers Around the Cross Additional verses to “For the Healing of the nations,” page 12a In the book, “Singing our Prayers”

Can be sung by itself, or as the concluding verse of the original song.

For the Cowlitz, the Hoh, ... **peace be yours**
For the Colville, Skagit and Chehalis ... **peace be yours**
for the Jamestown and Port Gamble S’Klallam ... **peace be yours**

For the healing of the nations, we pray to you, O God!
For the healing of the nations, we pray to you, O God!

For the Skokomish and Lower Elwha Klallam... **peace be yours**
For the Lummi, Samish, and Makah ... **peace be yours**
For the Muckleshoot, Yakima, and Nisqually ... **peace be yours**

For the healing of the nations, we pray to you, O God!
For the healing of the nations, we pray to you, O God!

For the Nooksack, Puyallup and Tulalip ... **peace be yours**
For the Quileute and the Quinault ... **peace be yours**
For the Snoqualmie and Squaxin Island ... **peace be yours**

For the healing of the nations, we pray to you, O God!
For the healing of the nations, we pray to you, O God!

(to complete the tribal list, the musician needs to go back to the top of the third page of music to repeat that page of music, and then go on to finish the song.)

For the Spokane and Sauk-Suiattle ... **peace be yours**
For the Shoalwater Bay and Swinomish ... **peace be yours**
For the Stillaguamish and Suquamish ... **peace be yours**
For tribes of blessed memory ... **peace be yours**

For the healing of the nations, we pray to you, O God!
For the healing of the nations, we pray to you, O God!

2016 Pam Hunter, Prince of Peace, Forks, WA.

Worship Service Sample I

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

GATHERING

LET US GIVE THANKS

Let us give thanks for this beautiful day, for it is a gift from the Creator.
Let us give thanks for the water, without which life would not be possible.

Let us give thanks for Mother Earth who protects and nourishes us.
Let us give thanks for earth, air, sun, and water, in which we see the hand of the Creator, and even Creator Himself for He is all He has made.

Let us give thanks for this life. It is a gift from Creator, and we have the possibility of living it. Let us live it to His praise and glory!

OPENING HYMN: *Gather Us In # 532*

THE WORD

FIRST READING: Creation Story Genesis 2:4b-25

Congregational Response:

Be praised, my Lord, through our sister Mother Earth, who sustains us and pilots us, and produces various fruits with colored flowers and herbs.

PSALM: Psalm 145:1-8

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

GOSPEL LESSON: Canaanite Woman Matthew 15: 21-28

Congregation Response: Glory to you O Lord

After Reading: Praise to you, O Christ.

MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY:

"You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore"

#817

CARE OF THE EARTH, A Credal Witness

ALL: The earth is a gift to us from the hand of God. The earth became God's home. God became a human remembering all creatures as he was conceived and born of Mary. He felt the fury of death, and final mark of our humanness. He entered the gentle earth, a resting place from the savage hand of human beings. On the third day he rose from the grave, full-bodied and strong offering life not only for all people, but bring ultimate renewal for the whole earth. As persons are renewed, the earth is refreshed. As we recover communion, the mystery of the earth returns to enrich us. As we forgive and are forgiven, the lesser creatures reveal their wonder. As resurrection comes to us and new respect for the body, the earth regains its integrity. The care of God for us opens us to care for the earth.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE PEACE

May we live with one another in peace.

The peace of Christ be always with you.

(Greet one another with the Peace of God)

THE MEAL

OFFERING

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Pastor: The Creator be with you and all creation.

ALL: **And also with you.**

We thank God for a wondrous creation. We celebrate with all our kin. We pray for all those in need. We name them now. We close with the following prayer.

(In the Great Thanksgiving Prayer we join all living things with all creation in saying thanks before we eat at the Lord's Table. Those things for which we give thanks include the Word and the Spirit that continue to create the fullness of life around us. and in us. We especially give thanks for the presence of the Cosmic Christ in this planet, at our sacred meal and in the bread and wine we consume).

Pastor: Open your hearts.

ALL: **We open them to our Creator.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to our Creator.

ALL: **It is right to join creation in thanking God.**

Pastor: It is right to give you thanks, and the whole community of creation, we claim your presence among us.
ALL: **Holy, holy, holy, God of all life, Earth and sea and sky are full of your presence and glorify your name. Amen.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Pastor: In the night in which he was betrayed . . .

LORD'S PRAYER, New Zealand Prayer Book (Rev ed.)

Eternal Spirit, Source of all that is and that shall be, Father and Mother of us all, Loving God, in whom is in heaven:

The hallowing of your name echo through the universe! The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world! Your heavenly will be done by all created beings! Your commonwealth of peace and freedom sustain our hope and come on earth.

With the bread we need for today, feed us. In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us. In times of temptation and testing, strengthen us. From trials too great to endure, spare us. From the grip of all that is evil, free us. For you reign in the glory of the power that is love, now and forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

Come, for all things are now ready. Come to the table with all your kin and share with all in need:

- the gift of healing for those in pain,
- the gift of forgiveness for those in sin,
- the gift of assurance for those in doubt and
- the gift of hope for those in tears.

Blessing After Communion:

Now may the power of Christ's body and blood reach deep into your heart, your mind and your body to heal your wounds and, through you to bring healing to Earth, in Jesus' name. Amen

Post-Communion Prayer:

We thank you, Christ, for the meal we have celebrated with you and we pray that through your body and blood we may be healed and become agents of healing for Earth. Amen.

Sending Hymn:
On Eagle's Wings

787

Dismissal

LEADER: Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit,"

ALL: **Thanks be to God!**

Worship Service Sample II

Welcome and Introduction

Gathering

Call to Worship

Let us give thanks

Let us give thanks for this beautiful day, for it is a gift from Creator.

Let us give thanks for the water without which life would not be possible.

Let us give thanks for Mother Earth, who protects and nourishes us.

We give thanks for earth, air, sun, and water, in which we see the hand of Creator, even Creator Himself, for He is in all He has made.

Let us give thanks for this life. It is a gift from Creator, and we have the possibility of living it. Let us live it to His praise and glory!

Gathering hymn “All are Welcome”

#641

Greeting

Pastor: In the name of the Creator, the fountain of life, the name of Christ, the pulse of life, and the name of the Spirit, the breath of life. Amen

Prayer of the Day

Most holy God, the source of all good desires, all right judgments, and all just works: Give to us, your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, so that our minds may be fixed on the doing of your will and that we, being delivered from the fear of all enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through the mercies of Christ Jesus our Savior. Amen

Word

First reading: Genesis 2:4b-25, A Creation Story

R: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people C: **Thanks be to God**

Psalm 104:25-33

R: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people C: **Thanks be to God**

Second Reading: 1Peter 5:1-4 Humility

R: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people C: **Thanks be to God**

Gospel: Matthew 15:21-28 the Canaanite woman and her daughter
R: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people C: **Thanks be to God**

Message/Sermon

Hymn of the Day, "Will You Come and Follow Me" ELW 798

Prayers of the People

Leader: Beloved God, we thank you for giving us power through your spirit to reveal your life to the world: strengthen, bless, and guide us to make you known by word and example. We are your church, O Creator.

All: Guide us in your grace.

Leader: We thank you for your creation, and pray for the earth you have given us to cherish and protect: nourish in us your love for all you have made. We are your stewards, O God.

All: Guide us in your grace.

Leader: Guide and bless us in our work and in our play, and shape the patterns of our political and economic life, that all people may share in the fulfillment of your creative work. We are your servants, O God

All: Guide us in your grace.

Leader: We thank you for the First Peoples of North America, and especially our Native neighbors in this Synod. We are all your people, O Creator.

All: guide us in your grace

Leader: Awaken our hearts to your presence in all people; in those we love easily and those with whom we struggle, in those different from us and those familiar to us. We are made in your image, O Creator.

All: Guide us in your grace

Leader: We thank you for the gift of life, with all its blessings and sorrows. Shield the joyous, comfort and strengthen those in any need or trouble. Bless those who will be born today and those who will die, that joining with the company of all your saints we may rejoice in one unending song of praise. In you alone we have eternal life, O God.

All: Guide us in your grace.

Leader: We offer these our prayers and thanksgivings to you, O God, the source of all that is true and holy, now and forever. **Amen**

Peace

The Meal

Offering

Offering Prayer

O Lord our God you are worthy to receive glory and honor and power; because you have created all things, and by your will they were created and have their being.

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. **And also with you**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places.

You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst forth from the womb. You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind.

All you create is a sign of hope for our journey. And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

Holy, Holy, Holy (Spoken)

Words of Institution

Let us Pray: The Lord's Prayer, New Zealand Prayer Book (Rev ed.)

Eternal Spirit, Earth-maker, pain-bearer, life giver, Source of all that is and that shall be Father and Mother to us all, Loving God, in whom is heaven:

The hallowing of your name echo through the universe! Your commonwealth of peace and freedom Sustain our hope and come on earth.

With the bread we need for today, feed us. In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us. In the times of temptation and test, strengthen us. From the trials too great to endure, spare us. From the grip of that is evil, free us. For you reign in the glory of the power that is love, now and forever. Amen

Invitation to the Table: Come, for all things are now ready. Come to the table with all your kin and share with all in need:

The gift of healing for those in pain,
The gift of forgiveness for those in sin,
The gift of assurance for those in doubt,
And the gift of hope for those in tears.

Communion Hymns: *“Let Us Break Bread Together” # 471 “One Bread, One Body” # 496*

Post-communion Prayer: Now may the power of Christ’s body and blood reach deep into your heart, your mind and your body to heal your wounds and through you, to bring healing to Earth, in Jesus’ name. Amen

Blessing

Live without fear; your Creator has made you holy, has always protected you, and loves you. Go in peace to follow the good road and may Creator’s blessings be with you always. **Amen**

Sending

“Hymn On Eagle’s Wings” # 787

Dismissal

Leader: Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing! **All: Thanks be to God!**

Hymn Suggestions:

- Peace Prayer David Haas

- On Eagle's Wings ELW 787
- Many and Great, O God ELW 837
- This Is My Father's World ELW 824
- Earth and All Stars ELW 731
- Canticle of the Turning ELW 723
- You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore ELW 817
- Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying ELW 752
- "Twas in the Moon of Wintertime" ELW 284
- For the Beauty of the Earth ELW 879
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