OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant  Blessed be God, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.
People  And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

O God, your never-failing providence sets in order all things both in heaven and on earth: Put away from us all hurtful things, and give us those things that are profitable for us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

FIRST READING

Deuteronomy 15:7-11

“If among you, one of your brothers should become poor, in any of your towns within your land that the LORD your God is giving you, you shall not harden your heart or shut your hand against your poor brother, but you shall open your hand to him and lend him sufficient for his need, whatever it may be. Take care lest there be an unworthy thought in your heart and you say, ‘The seventh year, the year of release is near,’ and your eye look grudgingly on your poor brother, and you give him nothing, and he cry to the LORD against you, and you be guilty of sin. You shall give to him freely, and your heart shall not be grudging when you give to him, because for this the LORD your God will bless you in all your work and in all that you undertake. For there will never cease to be poor in the land. Therefore I command you, ‘You shall open wide your hand to your brother, to the needy and to the poor, in your land.’

Reader: The word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

PSALTER Verses

(In said services, the psalm verses may be placed between the Epistle and the Gospel, with the congregation standing in preparation for the Gospel. At services where there is a hymn or canticle before the Gospel, the psalm might be
Psalm 112

1 Praise the LORD! Blessed is the one who fears the LORD, *  
   who has great delight in his commandments.
2 His seed shall be mighty in the land; *  
   the generation of the faithful shall be blessed.
3 Riches and plenteousness shall be in his house, *  
   and his righteousness shall endure for ever.
4 For the upright, there rises light in the darkness; *  
   he is merciful, loving, and righteous.
5 It is good for him to be generous in lending *  
   and to guide his words with discretion.
6 For he shall never be moved, *  
   and the righteous shall be kept in everlasting remembrance.
7 He will not be afraid of any evil tidings, *  
   for his heart is steadfast and trusts in the LORD.
8 His heart is established, and will not fear; *  
   at the last he shall see his desire upon his enemies.
9 He has given freely to the poor, *  
   and his righteousness endures for ever; his horn shall be exalted with 
   honor.
10 The ungodly shall see it, and shall be angry; *  
   he shall gnash his teeth, and waste away; the desire of the ungodly shall 
   perish.

New Testament Reading

2 Corinthians 8:1-15

We want you to know, brothers, about the grace of God that has been 
given among the churches of Macedonia, ² for in a severe test of affliction, 
their abundance of joy and their extreme poverty have overflowed in a wealth of generosity on their part. ³ For they gave according to their 
means, as I can testify, and beyond their means, of their own accord, ⁴ 
begging us earnestly for the favor of taking part in the relief of the saints— 
⁵ and this, not as we expected, but they gave themselves first to the Lord 
and then by the will of God to us. ⁶ Accordingly, we urged Titus that as 
he had started, so he should complete among you this act of grace. ⁷ But as
you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in all earnestness, and in our love for you—see that you excel in this act of grace also.  

8 I say this not as a command, but to prove by the earnestness of others that your love also is genuine. 9 For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich. 10 And in this matter I give my judgment: this benefits you, who a year ago started not only to do this work but also to desire to do it. 11 So now finish doing it as well, so that your readiness in desiring it may be matched by your completing it out of what you have. 12 For if the readiness is there, it is acceptable according to what a person has, not according to what he does not have. 13 For I do not mean that others should be eased and you burdened, but that as a matter of fairness your abundance at the present time should supply their need, so that their abundance may supply your need, that there may be fairness. 14 As it is written, “Whoever gathered much had nothing left over, and whoever gathered little had no lack.”

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Holy Gospel

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ, according to St. Mark.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Mark 5:22-43

Then came one of the rulers of the synagogue, Jairus by name, and seeing him, he fell at his feet and implored him earnestly, saying, “My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well and live.” And he went with him.

And a great crowd followed him and thronged about him. And there was a woman who had had a discharge of blood for twelve years, and who had suffered much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had, and was no better but rather grew worse. She had heard the reports about Jesus and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his garment. For she said, “If I touch even his garments, I will be made well.” And immediately the flow of blood dried up, and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. And Jesus, perceiving in himself that power had gone out from him, immediately turned about in the crowd and said, “Who touched my garments?” And his disciples said to him, “You
see the crowd pressing around you, and yet you say, ‘Who touched me?’”
32 And he looked around to see who had done it. 33 But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling and fell down before him and told him the whole truth. 34 And he said to her, “Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease.”
35 While he was still speaking, there came from the ruler’s house some who said, “Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the Teacher any further?” 36 But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the ruler of the synagogue, “Do not fear, only believe.” 37 And he allowed no one to follow him except Peter and James and John the brother of James. 38 They came to the house of the ruler of the synagogue, and Jesus saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. 39 And when he had entered, he said to them, “Why are you making a commotion and weeping? The child is not dead but sleeping.” 40 And they laughed at him. But he put them all outside and took the child’s father and mother and those who were with him and went in where the child was. 41 Taking her by the hand he said to her, “Talitha cumi,” which means, “Little girl, I say to you, arise.” 42 And immediately the girl got up and began walking (for she was twelve years of age), and they were immediately overcome with amazement. 43 And he strictly charged them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.


People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Offertory and Post-Communion Sentences

(Drawn from verses of Holy Scripture, these sentences are chosen by the celebrant or preacher to reinforce the lessons or teaching of the day.)

Proper Preface

The Lord’s Day

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.