

SAMPLE OF CALL WORSHIP SERVICE

Lutheran Service Book Hymn 913 - "O Holy Spirit, Enter In" vs. 1, 2, 3

First Reading

Romans 10:14-15, 17

How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? And how can they preach unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!" Consequently, faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word of Christ.

Numbers 27:15-17

Moses said to the Lord, "Let the Lord, the God of the Spirits of all flesh, appoint a man over the congregation, who shall go out before them and come in before them, who shall lead them out and bring them in; that the congregation of the Lord may not be as sheep which have no shepherd."

Message from the Pastor

Prayer

Silence for Meditation

First Vote

LSB Hymn 869 - "With the Lord Begin Thy Task" vs. 1, 2, 5

Results of Count

(If, during any count, additional hymns are needed to fill the time, select one from the list at the end of the next page.)

Second Reading

Martin Luther 1530

There is no dearer treasure, nor any more precious thing on earth or in this life than a real and faithful pastor or preacher. He does great and mighty works. He seeks to inform and instruct those people in his care; comfort and advise those who are troubled, help to maintain peace and to settle differences, teach obedience, morals, discipline and honor. By his work and by his word the Kingdom of God is maintained in the world; so, too, are kept the name and the honor and the glory of God, the true knowledge of God, the right faith and understanding of Christ, the fruits of the suffering, blood and death of Christ, the gifts and works and power of the Holy Spirit, the true and saving use of Baptism and the Sacrament, and the right and pure doctrine of the Gospel.

Prayer

Silence for Meditation

Second Vote

LSB Hymn 710 - "The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want"

LSB Hymn 732 - "All Depends on Our Possessing" vs. 1, 2, 5

Results of Count

Third Reading

Around 1530, Martin Luther expounded the qualities of a good preacher and contrasted those qualities with those of a preacher as the world would have him. First, as the world would have him, six things are necessary to the preacher: (1) He must have a fine accent. (2) He must be learned. (3) He must be eloquent. (4) He must be a handsome person. (5) He must take no money, but have money to give. (6) He must tell people what they like to hear.

And now, the true qualities of the good preacher are: (1) He should be able to teach in a right and orderly way. (2) He should have a good head. (3) He should be able to speak well. (4) He should have a good voice. (5) He should have a good memory. (6) He should know when to stop. (7) He should be sure of his material and be diligent. (8) He should stake body and life, goods and honor in his ministry. (9) He must suffer himself to be vexed and flayed by everybody.

Prayer

Silence for Meditation

Third Vote

LSB Hymn 750 - "If Thou But Trust God to Guide Thee" vs. 1, 7

LSB Hymn 698 - "May We Thy Precepts, Lord, Fulfill"

Results of Count

Fourth Reading

The Doctrine of the Ministry 1952

It is not a man's gifts, his learning, his efficiency, or the charm of his personality which make him a minister, but the Gospel which he is called upon and ordained to preach. This makes him minister, servant, bishop, overseer, pastor, shepherd, priest, a Christ to his neighbor, parson, representative person. This, which he is, he must constantly become. He must, therefore, stand before his people as one of them, a fellow-sinner, and yet in the full dignity and authority of his office, which he "strives to adorn with a holy life and conversation." The high esteem which the laity puts upon the office of the ministry is not to be disappointed. The minister is not a priest with an indelible character upon whose ministrations in the sacraments the Layman is dependent. Neither is he just another member of the congregation. But he stands before the congregation as the bearer of the office of Word and Sacraments upon which the congregation is dependent.

Silence for Meditation -

Fourth Vote

LSB Hymn 707 - "Oh, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways"

LSB Hymn 498 - "Come, Holy Ghost, Creator Blest" vs. 1, 2, 7

Results of Count

Closing LSB Hymn 921 - "On What Has Now Been Sown" vs. 1, 2

Extra Hymns:

LSB 765 - "God Moves in a Mysterious Way"

LSB 655 - "Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word"

LSB 728 - "How Firm a Foundation, O Saints of the Lord"