

# Firelands Presbyterian Church

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Welcome to Firelands Church, a community of believers gathered by the Holy Spirit, growing together in Christ, and committed to serving God. Everyone is encouraged to stay for fellowship following the worship service.

## The Order Of The Liturgy

\*Those who are able are invited to stand.

On this day Christ the Lamb of God gave himself into the hands of those who would slay him. On this day Christ gathered with his disciples in the upper room. On this day Christ our God gave us this holy feast, that we who eat this bread and drink this cup may here proclaim his holy sacrifice and partake of his resurrection, and at the last day reign with him in heaven.

Let us pray. Holy God, source of all love, on the night of his betrayal Jesus gave his disciples a new commandment, to love one another as he loved them. Write this commandment in our hearts; give us the will to serve others as he was the servant of all, who gave his life and died for us, yet is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

\*\*HYMN 65

*Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*

### CALL TO CONFESSION

The proof of God's amazing love is this: while we were sinners Christ died for us. Because we have faith in him, we dare to approach God with confidence. In faith and penitence let us confess our sin before God and one another.

### CONFESSION OF SIN

Eternal God, whose covenant with us is never broken, we confess that we fail to fulfill your will. Though you have bound yourself to us, we will not bind ourselves to you. In Jesus Christ you serve us freely, but we refuse your love and withhold ourselves from others. We do not love you fully or love one another as you

command. In your mercy, forgive and cleanse us. Lead us once again to your table and unite us to Christ, who is the bread of life and the vine from which we grow in grace.

#### DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Jesus, Lamb of God, **have mercy on us.**

Jesus, bearer of our sins, **have mercy on us.**

Jesus, redeemer of the world, **grant us peace. Amen.**

I declare in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven,. **Thanks be to God! Amen!**

#### \*\*THE PEACE

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another. The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. **Peace be with you.**

\*\*HYMN 169                      *Dear Lord and Father of Mankind (1, 4, 5)*

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

PSALM                      Psalm 143

GOSPEL READING      John 13: 31b–35

#### MEDITATION ON THE PSALM

#### OFFERING

#### INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

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.**

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

Great is the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died Christ is risen Christ will come again.**

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & LORD'S PRAYER

### BREAKING OF THE BREAD & SHARING THE CUP

Hear the words of the institution of the Holy Supper of our Lord Jesus Christ: The Lord Jesus, on the night of his arrest, took bread, and after giving thanks to God, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat. This is my body, given for you. Do this in remembrance of me. In the same way he took the cup, saying: This cup is the new covenant sealed in my blood, shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me. Every time you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the saving death of the risen Lord, until he comes.

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

With thanksgiving, let us offer God our grateful praise. God of grace, your Son Jesus Christ left us this holy meal of bread and wine in which we share his body and blood. May we who have celebrated this sign of his great love show in our lives the fruits of his redemption; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

**\*\*HYMN 227**                      *Jesus, Remember Me ( x 2)*

**\*\*CHARGE**                      Go in Peace. As Christ loved you, love one another.

*All depart quietly, please.*