

# Fulness of Joy



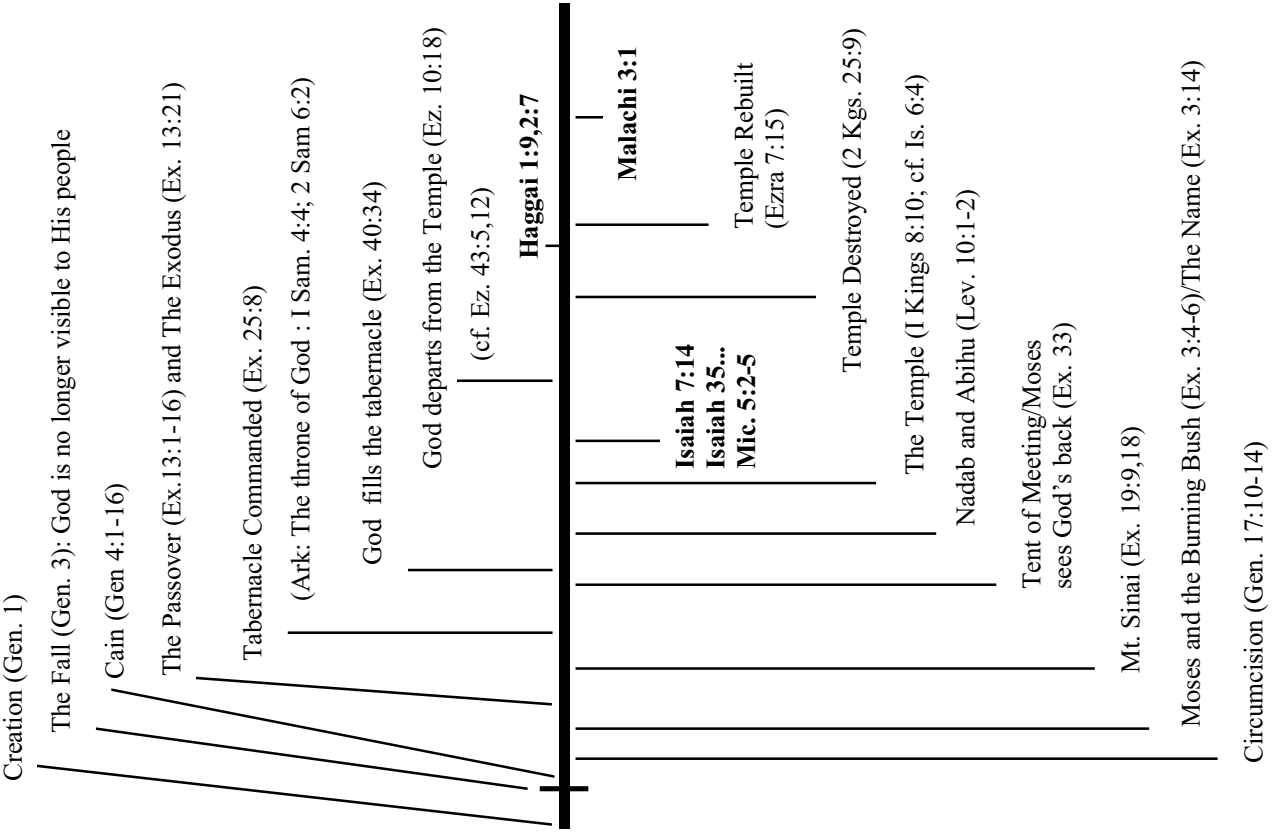
**A STUDY OF THE LITURGY OF THE CHURCH**

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Thou dost show me the path of life;  
in thy presence there is fulness of joy...  
Psalms 16:11

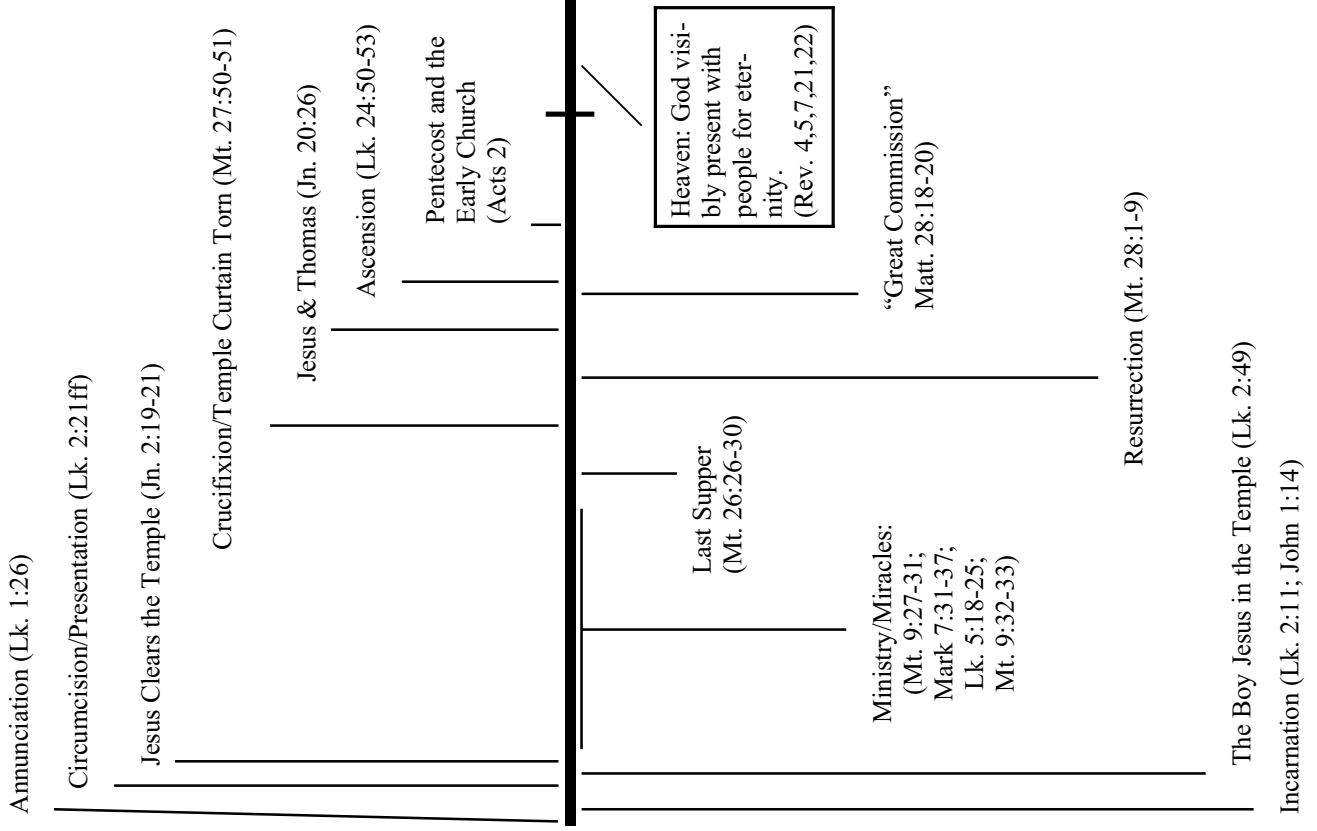
### Old Testament

## MOVEMENT IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD *Why We Stand, Sit, Kneel, Turn, and More*



**THE CLOTHES MAKE...A STATEMENT ABOUT BELIEF**  
*Vestments and the Clothing of the Worshiper*

**New Testament**




## **PART I: A BRIEF OVERVIEW OF GOD'S PRESENCE IN THE SCRIPTURES**

*(cf. timeline on previous pages)*

### **THEME:**

Throughout the Old and New Testaments, God is present with His people for their good.

Creation (Genesis 1-2)

- Especially:
- ◆ The state of all creation (Gen. 1:31)
  
  - ◆ The state of man (Gen. 1:27)
  
  - ◆ Observations of God's presence and mercy (3:8)
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 The Fall (Genesis 3)
- ◆ The promised presence (3:15)
  
  - ◆ Cain (Gen. 4:1-16)

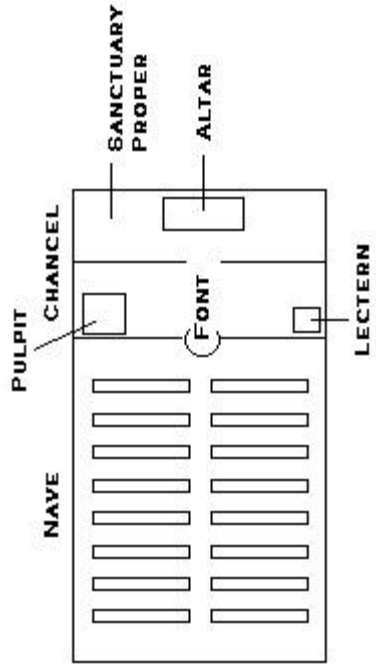
## DESIGNS AND CONFESSIONS

A Bit about Church Architecture

"...The place where believers meet is important. After all, the church is also the assembly of people who hear the Gospel and use the Sacraments. Those people must assemble somewhere, and the character and purpose of their assembly require that the place of the assembly be appropriate for what is going on. It would not seem appropriate to serve a formal dinner with china and crystal on a picnic table. Likewise, the place where God's Word is heard and the Sacraments received should be in a setting that is conducive to that hearing and receiving and does not detract from it in any way.

"The most important reason, however, for being concerned about where God's people are gathered is not because the nature of worship is corporate *but because it is sacramental*. Where the Gospel is rightly preached and the Sacraments administered according to Christ's institution, *there God has promised to be*. *This means that the place of worship is not just symbolic of God's presence but is the place where he is really present*. Where God is present demands the utmost of respect and reverence, as Moses experienced in the wilderness: "Take off your sandals, for the place where you are standing is holy ground" (Exodus 3:5). Accordingly, our churches today need to be shown that respect and, in turn, further that spirit of reverence. As one writer put it, 'Well-appointed worship space helps thoughtful worshippers reflect and say, "We have been in the house of God today."<sup>100</sup>

--Maxwell, Lee. *The Altar Guild Manual*. St. Louis: CPH, 1996. Page 29, emphases mine.



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Circumcision (Gen. 17:10-14)

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The Burning Bush (Ex. 3, esp. verses 6, 12 and 14)

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The Passover (Ex. 13:1-16)

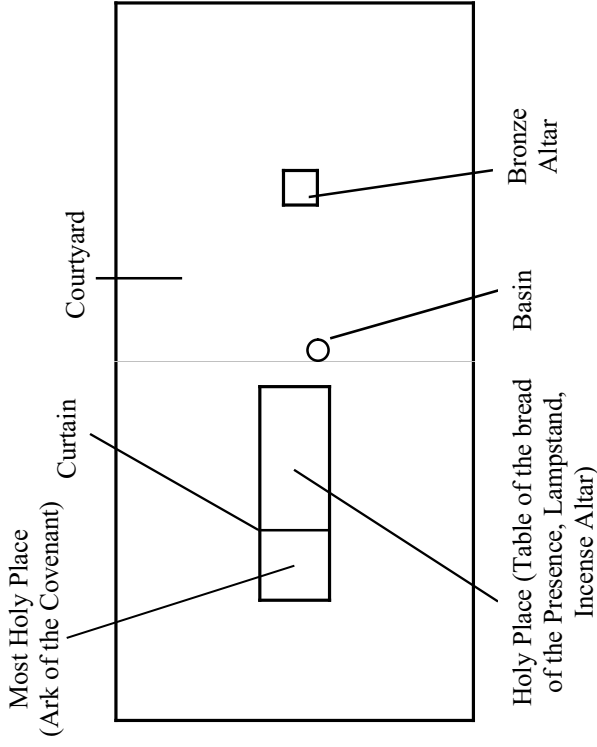
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The Exodus (Ex. 13:17-22, especially 21)

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Mt. Sinai (Ex. 19, esp. verses 9 and 18)

**TENT, TABERNACLE AND TEMPLE**

*Pentecost/Whitsunday*

The Tabernacle is Commanded (Ex. 25:8)



The Ark of the Covenant (25:10-22)

*Purpose: Ex. 25:22 cf. 1 Sam 4:4, 2 Sam 6:2*

By the way...  
The dimensions for the tabernacle itself were 30 cubits by 10 cubits: Where the **Triune** God promised to be present with His people, the tent's dimensions were **3x1**.

The Table (Ex. 25:23-30)

*Purpose: Ex. 25:30*

The Lampstand (Ex. 25:31-40)

*Purpose: cf. Ex. 29:43*

The Tabernacle Itself (Ex. 26)

*Note the exquisite detail commanded by God Himself!*

**The Half-Year of the Church**

*The Feast of the Holy Trinity*

The Sundays after Trinity (22-27)



**THE TEMPLE**

I Kings 6: 7:13-51

**God Speaks of the Temple (2 Sam. 7:5-16):**

*The Temple is Built... (I Kings 5-7)*

**The LORD Enters the Temple (I Kings 8:10-11)**

**A Promise and a Warning (I Kings 9:3-10)**

<p>Most Holy Place (Ark of the Covenant)</p>	<p>Holy Place (Ten tables of the bread of Presence, 10 lamp-stands, and incense altar)</p>	<p>Portico</p>
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**Dimensions:**  
60 cubits by 20, twice that of the tabernacle. The ratio is 3x1.

*The Epiphany of Our Lord (Jan. 6)*  
The Sundays after Epiphany (1-6)  
The Transfiguration of Our Lord (Last Sunday after Epiphany)

*Pre-Lent*

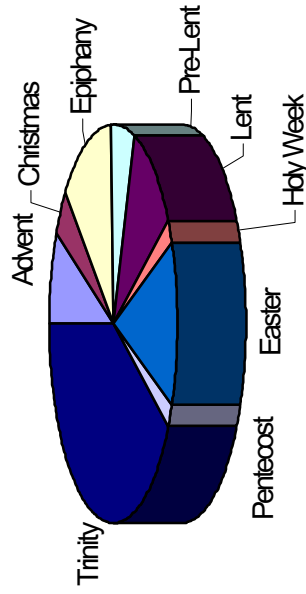
Septuagesima Sunday  
Sexagesima Sunday  
Quinquagesima Sunday

*Lent*

Ash Wednesday  
Invocavit: 1st Sunday after Lent  
Reminiscere: 2nd Sunday after Lent  
Oculi: 3rd Sunday after Lent  
Laetare: 4th Sunday after Lent  
Judica: 5th Sunday after Lent

**PART IV: OTHER....**

THE CHURCH YEAR



**The Half-Year of Our Lord**

*Advent*

The [4] Sundays in Advent

*Christmas/The Feast of the Nativity of Our Lord*

Christmas Eve

Christmas Day

The First Sunday after Christmas

The Second Sunday after Christmas

**THE PSALMS**

*The LORD is in His holy temple, The LORD's throne is in heaven; His eyes behold, His eyelids test the sons of men. Ps. 11:4*

**The City of God:** Psalms 48, 43, 15

**Festivals and Pilgrimage:** Psalms 84, 100, 122

**The Ark of Freedom:** Psalms 99, 132, 80

**The Savior:** Psalm 22, Psalm 118

**PROPHETS AND PRESENCE**

ISAIAH, MIGHTY SEER

**The Vision of the Temple:** Isaiah 6

**The Benediction**

✠ The Lord bless thee and keep thee.

The Lord make His face shine upon thee and be gracious unto thee.

The Lord lift His countenance upon thee and give thee peace.

R/Amen

**The Savior:** Isaiah 7:14

**Signs of the Savior:** Isaiah 35 and 53

**The Temple:** Isaiah 44:28; 64:11; 66:6

## JOEL

**Deliverance...where?** Joel 2:32

**The Thanksgiving**

℣ Oh, give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good.  
℞ And His mercy endureth forever.

℣ As often as ye eat this bread and drink this cup:  
℞ Ye do show the Lord's death until He come.

**The Post-Communion Prayer**

**The Benedicamus**

℣ The Lord be with you.  
℞ And with thy spirit.  
℣ Bless we the Lord  
℞ Thanks be to God.

## MICAH

**O Little Town of Bethlehem:** Micah 5:2-5

## EZEKIEL

**Departure:** Ez. 10:18

**Return:** Ez. 43:5

HAGGAI

**Greater Glory: Haggai 2:6-9****The Pax Domini**

☩ The peace of the Lord be with you alway!  
 R/Amen.

(cf. Rom. 5:1; Heb. 13:20)

ZECHARIAH

**The King-Priest and the Temple: Zech 6:9-15****The Agnus Dei**

John 1:29

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.  
 O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.  
 O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen

**Palmarum Prophecy: Zech 9:9-10**

MALACHI

**A Messenger and a Sudden Appearance: Malachi 3:1****The Distribution**

Take, eat; this is the true the body of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, given into death for your sin. May this strengthen and preserve you in the true faith unto life everlasting.

Take, drink; this is the true blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, shed for the remission of your sins. May this strengthen and preserve you in the true faith unto life everlasting!

Depart in peace.

**The Nunc Dimittis**

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word, For mine eyes have seen Thy salvation: which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people,  
 a Light to lighten the Gentiles and the Glory of Thy people Israel.  
 Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;  
 As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.  
 Amen

## THE NEW TESTAMENT

*In many and various ways God spoke to His people of old by the prophets.  
But now in these last days He has spoken to us by His Son.  
(Hebrews 1:1)*

**The Messenger's Conception** (Luke 1:1-25)

**The Lord's Prayer** (Matthew 6:9-13; Luke 11:2-4)  
 ✠ 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 tres-  
 pass against us; And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil.  
 R/ For Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory for ever and ever.  
 Amen

**The Annunciation** (Luke 1:26-38)

*March 25*

**The Nativity** (Luke 2:1-20; John 1:14)

*December 25*

### The Words of Institution

(Mt 26:26-28; Mk. 14:22-24; Lk. 22:19-20; I Cor. 11:24-25)  
 Our Lord Jesus Christ, the same night in which He was betrayed, took  
 bread; and when He had given thanks, He brake it and gave it to the disci-  
 ples, saying, "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do  
 in remembrance of Me."

After the same manner also He took the cup when He had supped, and  
 when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of it;  
 this cup is the New Testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the  
 remission of sins. This do, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of Me."

**The Circumcision and Presentation of Our Lord** (Luke 2:21-40)

*January 1 and February 2, respectively*

**The Boy Jesus in the Temple** (Luke 2:41-52)

## THE MINISTRY OF JESUS

**The Baptism of Our Lord** (Mark 1:1-15) *1st Sunday after the Epiphany*

R/And with thy spirit.

**The Sursum Corda** (cf. Lamentations 3:41)

✠ Life up your hearts.

R/We lift them up unto the Lord.

**The Temptation of Our Lord** (Mark 1:1-15) *1st Sunday in Lent*

**The Thanksgiving** (cf. I Chr. 16:4,8,34,41; 2 Chr. 20:21; Rev. 11:17),

✠ Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.

R/It is meet and right so to do.

**Ministry and Miracles** (Mt. 9:27-31; Mark 7:31-37; Lk. 5:18-25; Mt. 9:32-33)

### The Proper Preface

It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks unto Thee, O Lord, holy Father, everlasting God:

[Seasonal preface]

Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify Thy glorious name, evermore praising Thee and saying:

**The Transfiguration** (Lk. 9:28-36) *Last Sunday after the Epiphany*

## THE PASSION

**The Triumphal Entry** (Luke 19:29-44) *Palm Sunday*

**The Sanctus** (Is. 6:3 ; cf. Rev. 4:8; Ps. 118:26; Mt. 21:9)

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth;

Heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory;

Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is He, Blessed is He, Blessed is He who cometh in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.

**Jesus Cleanses the Temple** (Luke 19:44-46; John 2:19-21)

**The Last Supper** (Matt. 26:26-30)

*Maundy Thursday*

**The Sermon**

**The Crucifixion** (Matt. 27:35-51)

*Good Friday*

**ON THE THIRD DAY....**

**The Offertory** (Psalm 51:10-12)

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.

Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation; and uphold me with Thy free spirit.

**The Resurrection** (Matt. 28:1-10)

*Easter Sunday*

**Thomas, the Doubter** (John 20:19-31)

**The “Great Commission”** (Matt. 28:18-20)

**The Ascension** (Lk. 24:44-53)

**The Prayers**

**THE SERVICE OF THE HOLY COMMUNION**

**The Preface**

(cf. p. 22)

**The Salutation**

✠ The Lord be with you.

**THE EARLY CHURCH**

**Pentecost** (Acts 2)

**...and Beyond** (Acts 2:46-47)

**Another Temple** (1 Cor. 6:19-20)

**THE END**

**Heaven** (Rev. 4, 5, 7, 21, 22)

**Hell** (Matthew 25:41-46)

**The Salutation**  
 V The Lord be with you.  
 R And with thy spirit.

(Lk. 1:26-38)

**The Collect for the Day**

**The Scripture Lessons**

Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

(cf. Rev. 19:1-9)

**The Creed**

**THE SERVICE OF THE WORD**

2 More Quick Definitions

Ordinaries:

Propers:

**The Introit**

**The Gloria Patri**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen (cf. Revelation 1:4-6)

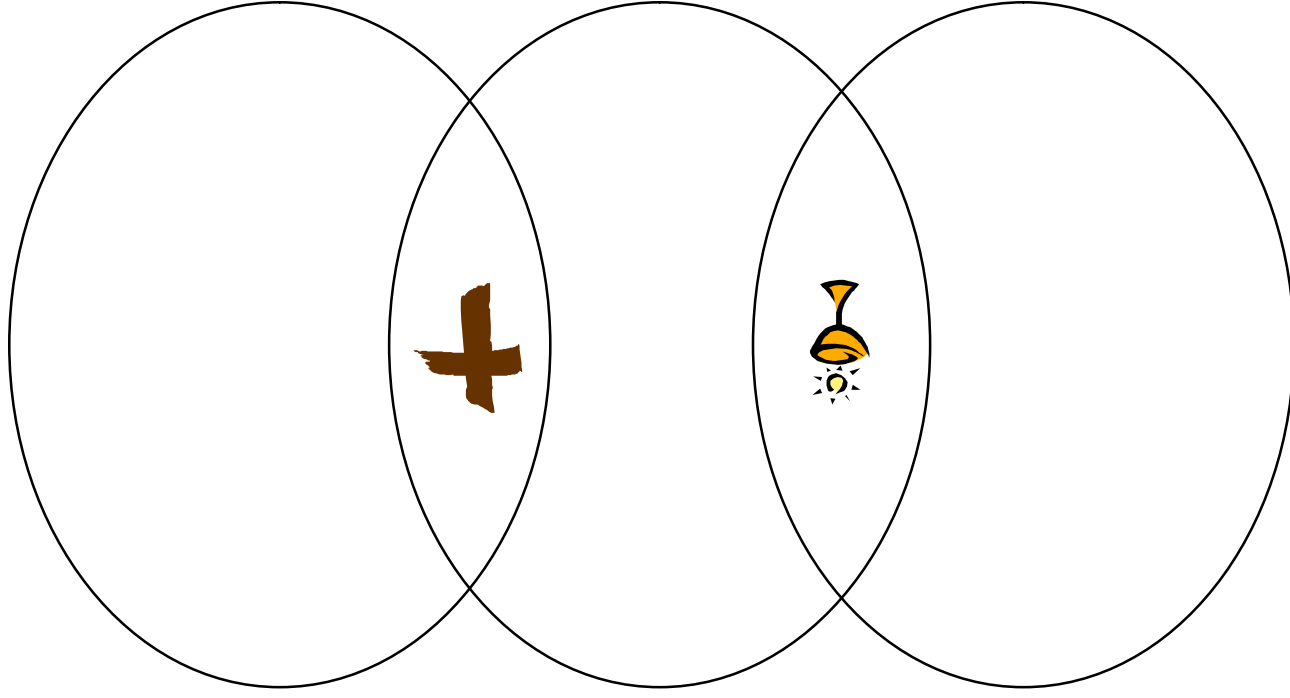
**The Kyrie**

(Mt. 9:27;15:22;17:15;20:30;Mk. 10:47-48;Lk. 17:13;18:38)  
Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ have mercy upon us. Lord have mercy upon us.

**The Gloria in Excelsis**

(Luke 2:14, 20)

**PART II: BY THE WAY...  
A BRIEF SURVEY OF CHRISTENDOM**



**SOME REFORMATION COMPARISONS**

Real Presence, but Not Saved by Grace Alone	Real Presence, and Saved by Grace Alone	Saved by Grace Alone, but not Real Presence	Church Bodies	Type of Reformation	Primary Theologian(s)	Methodology for Interpreting Scripture	View of the Lord's Supper	Pattern of Worship Reform

Thee all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended Thee and justly deserved Thy temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray Thee of Thy boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor sinful being.

**The Absolution**

Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and

BTW: The Uniqueness of the Means of Grace, and the Consequences if We Don't Recognize It

in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all of your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost.  
 R/Amen

**THE SERVICE OF PREPARATION**

**The Invocation**

☩ In the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Ghost.  
 R/ Amen (Matthew 28:19)

**The Confession of Sins**

**Sentences**

Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. (cf. Hebrews 10:22)

☩ Our help is in the name of the Lord,  
 R/ Who made heaven and earth. (Psalm 124:8)

☩ I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord;  
 R/ And Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin. (Psalm 32:5)

**The Confession**

O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor miserable sinner confess unto (cf. Romans 5:6-10; I John 1:9)

**CHURCH BODIES THAT CONFESS THE REAL PRESENCE AND SALVATION BY GRACE ALONE**

Church Body	How can you be certain that you are saved?

**CHURCH BODIES THAT CONFESS THE REAL PRESENCE, BUT NOT SALVATION BY GRACE ALONE**

Church Body	How can you be certain you are saved?

**CHURCH BODIES THAT CONFESS SALVATION BY GRACE ALONE, BUT NOT THE REAL PRESENCE**

Church Body	How can you be certain that you are saved?
Reformed	
Holiness	
Arminian	
Pentecostal	
Unionizing Churches	

## A COUPLE OF IMPORTANT POINTS

**1.**

**2.**

### OTHER NOTES AND OBSERVATIONS

“Lex Credendi, Lex Orandi.” —Prosper of Aquitaine

## PART III: THE DIVINE SERVICE

Theme: The entire liturgy rejoices that Christ is really present among His people. And where Jesus is, there is the forgiveness of sins.

### A Couple of Definitions

**Divine Service**

**Liturgy**