

LUTHERAN OUTDOOR MINISTRIES CENTER
Oregon, Illinois

A Grape Festival Worship
(Distribute to each worshiper a grape and a napkin.)

INVOCATION

Leader: In the Name of the Vinegrower, the Vine, and the Word.
People: In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Leader: Amen.
People: Amen.

ENTRANCE HYMN "Rejoice in the Lord"

CONFESSION

Leader: The Word that was in the beginning, the Word that we heard, the Word that we saw with our eyes, the Word that we touched with our hands . . . this Word, the Word of Life, was revealed, and we testify to it and want to tell you about the everlasting life that it contains. This is the Word that we proclaim to you, that God is light and in that light there is no darkness at all. If we walk in the light we have communion with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ cleanses us from all sin.

People: If we confess our sins, God, who is always faithful and just, will forgive our sins and will wash away our sin and unfaithfulness.

Leader: I am writing to you, little children, because your sins are forgiven for Jesus sake. I am writing to you, parents, because you know the one who is from the beginning. I write to you, young people, because you have overcome the evil one. I write to you, children, because you know the one who created you.

HYMN OF PRAISE "Creation Hymn"

FIRST LESSON Acts 8:26-40

PSALM 22:24-30

Leader: For the Lord did not despise or abhor the affliction of the afflicted;

People: he did not hide his face from me, but heard when I cried to him.

Leader: From you comes my praise in the great congregation;

People: my vows I will pay before those who fear him.

Leader: The poor shall eat and be satisfied; those who seek him shall praise the LORD.

People: May your hearts live forever!

Leader: All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD;

People: and all the families of the nations shall worship before him.

Leader: For dominion belongs to the LORD,

People: and he rules over the nations.

Leader: To him, indeed, shall all who sleep in the earth bow down;
People: before him shall bow all who go down to the dust, and I shall live for him.

Leader: Posterity will serve him;
People: future generations will be told about the LORD,

SECOND LESSON I John 4:7-21

GRADUAL "Christ Is the Living Vine"

Christ is the Living Vine

Christ is the Living Vine We are his branches.
Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

We must abide in Christ So we can bear good fruit.
Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

GOSPEL John 15:1-8

HOMILY

CREED "I Believe, I Do Believe"

PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY

Leader: Little children, don't love in word only, but in everyday actions. If our hearts don't condemn us, we have confidence before God, and we will receive whatever we ask.

(Continue with petitions, concluding each with, "Lord in your mercy...")

People: Hear our prayer

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BENEDICTION

DEPARTING SONG "We Are One in the Spirit"