

Liturgy Alive of Memorial of Saint Andrew Kim Taegŏn and companions.

Opening Prayer

Patient and loving Father,
you sent Jesus, your Son, among us
to heal what is broken and wounded.
He touched us with his goodness
and did not break the crushed reed.
Forgive us our sins,
let your Spirit continue in us
the work of conversion
and make us patient and understanding
with those who love us and those who fail us.

We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Lord.

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading Introduction

The core of the Good News that Paul brings to the Corinthians is the resurrection of Jesus. Paul insists, because Greeks do not easily accept this truth. For Christians, the resurrection means life more than a dogma; it means hope and a great future.

Gospel Introduction

A woman with a bad reputation, which she apparently deserved, comes to Jesus and shows in a rather extravagant way that something in her cries out for a purer kind of love than she had experienced in life. Her encounter with Jesus in faith and love led to forgiveness, to the scandal of the good practicing people. For us too, Jesus' encounter with us is always forgiving.

General Intercessions

– That the community of God's people may be a source of peace, of forgiveness and reconciliation, of new opportunities for tomorrow, we pray:
– That we may be gentle in our judgment of others, aware that every day we too, are in need of forgiveness, we pray:

– That in our families and communities, we may be attentive to the good that is done and not be discouraged by each other's shortcomings, we pray:

Prayer over the Gifts

Our God and Father,
you have invited us to encounter your Son
and to offer with him the sacrifice
that forgives our sins.
Dispose us to forgive others
as you forgive us
and to share at the table of your Son
the bread of unity and reconciliation.

We ask this through Christ, our Lord.

Prayer after Communion

Merciful Father
in this Eucharist your Son, Jesus, said to us too:
your sins are forgiven
and he ate with us the meal
that brings reconciliation.
May all this deepen our love for you
and dispose us to extend a hand of peace
to all those who have hurt us
and to those we have wounded.

We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Lord.

Blessing

The words of Jesus have been spoken to us too, "Your sins are forgiven." May it be said of us too that we show great love, both of God and of people. May Almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.