

For the Consecrating Church:

This/Tomorrow morning, as an extension of worship at _____, a member of _____ and an authorized lay worship leader in the Allegheny Synod, ELCA, will carry the consecrated elements from the Lord's Table to _____ Lutheran Church.

Because an ordained pastor is not available to preside at _____ worship tomorrow and with the blessing of the Office of the Bishop, a form of distribution under special circumstances will be used. At _____ a.m. worship, _____ will offer the gifts of bread and wine set apart at this worship to those gathering there tomorrow. In this way, God's meal is shared with that community of faith as they gather around Word and Sacrament to celebrate the resurrection of our Savior.

For _____, Lay Worship Leader:

Announcement:

The words I speak this morning recall Jesus' words of command and promise spoken over the elements at _____'s table, and they are not to be understood as a consecration of the elements.

At the time of the meal in the liturgy:

"When the congregation of _____'s gathered for the celebration of Holy Communion, they heard again the story of God's mighty acts and love made flesh through the birth, death, and resurrection of our Lord Jesus. With thanksgiving, they remembered that "in the night in which Jesus was betrayed, he took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples saying: Take and eat; this is my body given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

They were given the assurance of our Lord's presence through the gift of the Holy Spirit. Now I bring to you the same bread of life and the same cup of blessing from your sister congregation, that you may be strengthened through your participation in the body of Christ.

Followed by the Lord's Prayer...

For the receiving congregation - someone from the congregation should read this:

This morning, _____, a member of _____ Lutheran Church, and an authorized lay worship leader in the Allegheny Synod, ELCA, has carried the gifts of bread and wine set apart at _____'s liturgy to our congregation. Because an ordained pastor is not available to preside at worship today and with the blessing of the Office of the Bishop, this form of distribution under special circumstances is used **only** for today and our celebration of Christ's resurrection.