

Companion Synod Liturgy May 2006
(to be used with any accompanying Liturgy)

A Brief Order of Confession and Forgiveness

Hymn #795 WOV “Cantad al Señor”

Call to Worship

How good it is to be here!
Here in the presence of God!

Jesus walked and talked with your people;
Help us be companions that journey together.

Holy God, you call all nations and peoples to be one,
Unite us by your Holy Spirit; make us one with all people.

Prayer of the Day.

Holy God, creator and sustainer of all things, we give you thanks for the relationship you have established with us through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. We pray that the love you have for us extends through us to everyone all people we meet and especially today we pray for the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Argentina and our brothers and sisters in the Patagonia. We pray that we may grow together and be common companions that share your good news in Jesus Christ with all people; in Christ’s name we pray. Amen

Hymn #R249 “Cuando el Pobre”

Scriptures
(Use Lectionary Texts of the Day)

Holy Holy (Argentine) #R176

Sermon

Hymn of the Day #708 WOV “Una espiga”

Apostles Creed

Offertory #761 WOV “Te Ofrecémos”

Offertory Prayer

Bountiful God, we give you thanks for all you give us, and we celebrate the lives that we share in Christ. May these offerings be dedicated to the mission of your church, that all may hear the good news in Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord; Amen.

Prayers of the Church

Heavenly Father we give thanks to you for your Church. We give you thanks for all those who rise to build, strengthen and support the gospel message. We pray your Spirit be upon President Alan Eldrid of IELU and Bishops Ray Schultz and Cindy Halmarson of the ELCIC and SK Synod that they may continue to lead and guide in your wisdom.

Lord in your mercy;
Hear our prayer.

We pray for Pastors Sergio Utz, Gustavo Gomez and Octavio Burgoa who work and serve in the district of the Patagonia in Argentina. We pray that you strengthen them and inspire them for the task of ministry where they serve.

Lord in your mercy;
Hear our prayer.

We pray for the people of Comodoro Rivadavia, Esquel, Cushamen and Bariloche that they may rise up as faithful witnesses to the Gospel and continue to strive for peace, equity and justice in their communities.

Lord in your mercy;
Hear our prayer.

We pray for our Companion Synod Program that we may continue to build strong relationships with IELU and continue to learn and understand one another more and more so that when we are seen side by side we will be seen hand in hand and shoulder to shoulder, living in solidarity with one another.

Lord in your mercy;
Hear our prayer.

For all these things and all you see, we lift up to you in praise and thanksgiving in the hope of the one who rose from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Holy Communion (if so desired)

Benediction
May the companionship of the Trinity go with you;
Father, Son and Holy Spirit, Amen.

Closing Hymn R189 “Enviado Soy de Dios”