



ORDER OF SERVICE FOR HOLY COMMUNION from COMMON WORSHIP

The service begins with a Welcome and a Hymn

In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

All Amen.

The president greets the people

**All The Lord be with you
and also with you.**

Prayer of Preparation

**All Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hidden:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name;
through Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

Invitation to Confession *(seasonal words may be used)*

God shows his love for us
in that, while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.
Let us then show our love for him
by confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

(we sit or kneel for our prayer of confession.)

All Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
 we have sinned against you
 and against our neighbour
 in thought and word and deed,
 through negligence, through weakness,
 through our own deliberate fault.
 We are truly sorry
 and repent of all our sins.
 For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
 who died for us,
 forgive us all that is past
 and grant that we may serve you in newness of life
 to the glory of your name. Amen.

The president says

Almighty God,
 who forgives all who truly repent,
 have mercy upon you,
 pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
 confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
 and keep you in life eternal;
 through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

All Gloria in Excelsis is said or sung
 Glory to God in the highest,
 and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King,
 almighty God and Father,
 we worship you, we give you thanks,
 we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
 Lord God, Lamb of God,
 you take away the sin of the world:
 have mercy on us;
 you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
 receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,
 you alone are the Lord,
 you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
 with the Holy Spirit,
 in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect (the special prayer of the day)

*The president introduces a period of silent prayer with the words 'let us pray'
 or a more specific bidding.*

The Collect is said.

All Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word (we sit for this reading)

At the end the reader may say

All This is the word of the Lord.
 Thanks be to God.

Hymn

We remain standing for the Gospel Reading

When the Gospel is announced the reader usually says:
Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to N.

All **Glorify to you, O Lord.**

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

The Creed

We stand. The president says:

Let us declare our faith in God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

All I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

We sit or kneel. These responses may be used:

All Lord, in your mercy
hear our prayer.

And at the end

All Merciful Father,
accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament *We stand for The Peace*

We are the body of Christ.
In the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body.
Let us then pursue all that makes for peace
and builds up our common life.

All The peace of the Lord be always with you
and also with you.
Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

We may exchange a handshake as a sign of being at peace with everyone.

HYMN

*The gifts of the people are collected and presented. We remain standing.
The table is prepared and bread and wine are placed upon it.
The president stands before the bread and wine at the altar*

Sometimes this prayer is used:

Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power,
the glory, the splendour, and the majesty;
for everything in heaven and on earth is yours.

All **All things come from you,
and of your own do we give you.**

The Eucharistic Prayer

All The Lord is here
his Spirit is with us.

All Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

All Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is indeed right,
it is our duty and our joy,
at all times and in all places
to give you thanks and praise,
holy Father, heavenly King,
almighty and eternal God,
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

The following may be replaced by a special preface which the priest reads

For he is your living Word;
through him you have created all things from the beginning,
and formed us in your own image.

All **To you be glory and praise for ever.}**

Through him you have freed us from the slavery of sin,
giving him to be born of a woman and to die upon the cross;
you raised him from the dead
and exalted him to your right hand on high.

All **To you be glory and praise for ever.}**

Through him you have sent upon us
your holy and life-giving Spirit,
and made us a people for your own possession.

All **To you be glory and praise for ever.}**

Short Proper Preface, when appropriate

Therefore with angels and archangels,
and with all the company of heaven,
we proclaim your great and glorious name,
for ever praising you and saying:

All Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

**[Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.]**

Accept our praises, heavenly Father,
through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ,
and as we follow his example and obey his command,
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit
these gifts of bread and wine
may be to us his body and his blood;

who, in the same night that he was betrayed,
took bread and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

To you be glory and praise for ever.]

In the same way, after supper
he took the cup and gave you thanks;
he gave it to them, saying:
Drink this, all of you;
this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it,
in remembrance of me.

To you be glory and praise for ever.]

Therefore, heavenly Father,
we remember his offering of himself

made once for all upon the cross;
we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension;
we look for the coming of your kingdom,
and with this bread and this cup
we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.

One of these four acclamations is used

[Great is the mystery of faith:]

Christ has died:

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.

(or)

[Praise to you, Lord Jesus:]
Dying you destroyed our death,
rising you restored our life:
Lord Jesus, come in glory.

(or)

[Christ is the bread of life:]
When we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim your death, Lord Jesus,
until you come in glory.

(or)

[Jesus Christ is Lord:]
Lord, by your cross and resurrection you have set us free.
You are the Saviour of the world.

Accept through him, our great high priest,
this our sacrifice of thanks and praise,
and as we eat and drink these holy gifts
in the presence of your divine majesty,
renew us by your Spirit,
inspire us with your love
and unite us in the body of your Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord.

To you be glory and praise for ever.]

Through him, and with him, and in him,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
with all who stand before you in earth and heaven,
we worship you, Father almighty,
in songs of everlasting praise:

**Blessing and honour and glory and power
be yours for ever and ever.
Amen.**

We sit or kneel for The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us

**Our Father, which art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come;
thy will be done,
in earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive them that trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation;**

**but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever.
Amen.**

The president breaks the consecrated bread.

**We break this bread
to share in the body of Christ.**

**Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

GIVING OF COMMUNION

The president says the invitation to communion

**Draw near with faith.
Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ
which he gave for you,
and his blood which he shed for you.
Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you,
and feed on him in your hearts
by faith with thanksgiving.**

*We may say this prayer together. We do not presume
to come to this your table, merciful Lord,
trusting in our own righteousness,
but in your manifold and great mercies.
We are not worthy
so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table.*

But you are the same Lord
 whose nature is always to have mercy.
 Grant us therefore, gracious Lord,
 so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ
 and to drink his blood,
 that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body
 and our souls washed through his most precious blood,
 and that we may evermore dwell in him and he in us.
Amen.

*The president and people receive communion. All who honour Christ are welcome to receive communion. Authorized words of distribution are used and the communicant replies 'Amen'.
 During the distribution hymns and anthems may be sung.
 Or silence is kept.*

Prayers after Communion

The priest may use a Post Communion Prayer and all may say one of these prayers:

All **Almighty God,**
 we thank you for feeding us
 with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.
 Through him we offer you our souls and bodies
 to be a living sacrifice.
 Send us out
 in the power of your Spirit
 to live and work
 to your praise and glory. **Amen.**

Or
 Father of all, we give you thanks and praise,
 That when we were still far off
 You met us in your Son and brought us home.
 Dying and living, he declared your love,
 gave us grace and opened the gate of glory.
 May we who share Christ's body live his risen life;
 We who drink his cup bring life to others;
 We whom the Spirit lights give light to the world.
 Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,
 So we and all your children shall be free,
 And the whole earth live to praise your name;
 Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

The Dismissal

The president says the Blessing

The peace of God,
 which passes all understanding,
 keep your hearts and minds
 in the knowledge and love of God,
 and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord;
 and the blessing of God almighty,
 the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
 be among you and remain with you always.

All **Amen.**

A minister says