

# The Gathering

*The president greets the congregation and introduces the service.*

The Lord is here.

**All His Spirit is with us.**

## 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.**

## Prayers of Penitence

*The President introduces the Prayers of Penitence using suitable seasonal words,  
ending*

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith,  
firmly resolved to keep God's commandments  
and to live in love and peace with all people.

**All Most merciful God,  
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
we confess that we have sinned  
in thought, word and deed.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart.  
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.  
In your mercy  
forgive what we have been,  
help us to amend what we are,  
and direct what we shall be;  
that we may do justly, love mercy,  
and walk humbly with you, our God.  
Amen.**

*The president says the words of Absolution*

## Gloria in Excelsis

*All* 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 Liturgy of the Word

*At the end of the first reading the reader may say*

This is the word of the Lord.

*All* **Thanks be to God.**

*When the Gospel is announced the reader says*

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to *N.*

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

*At the end*

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

## Sermon

# The Creed

*All* We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary  
and was made human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## Prayers of Intercession

*During the prayers, this response may be used*

Lord, in your mercy      *All* hear our prayer.

*And at the end of the prayers*

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



# The Liturgy of the Sacrament

## The Peace

*The President introduces the Peace and then says*

The peace of the Lord be always with you  
*All* **and also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*You may exchange a sign of peace by waving at each other if you wish*

## Preparation of the Table

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation...  
...It will become for us the bread of life.

*All* **Blessed be God for ever.**

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation...  
...It will become for us the cup of salvation.

*All* **Blessed be God for ever.**



## The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you (or) The Lord is here.  
*All* **and also with you. His Spirit is with us.**

Lift up your hearts.

*All* **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*All* **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

Blessed are you, Lord God...  
...You give us breath and speech,  
that with angels and archangels  
and all the powers of heaven  
we may find a voice to sing your praise:

*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.**

How wonderful the work of your hands O Lord...,  
...do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Jesus Christ is Lord:

*All* **Lord, by your cross and resurrection  
you have set us free.  
You are the Saviour of the world.**

Father, we plead with confidence...,  
...through Jesus Christ, our Lord,  
by whom, with whom, and in whom,  
with all who stand before you in earth and heaven,  
we worship you, Father almighty,  
in songs of everlasting praise:

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

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray

*All* **Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name...  
...Amen.**



## **Breaking of the Bread**

*The president breaks the consecrated bread.*

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

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

## **Communion**

God's holy gifts for God's holy people.

*All* **Jesus Christ is holy,  
Jesus Christ is Lord,  
to the glory of God the Father.**

*The Agnus Dei may be used here.*

*All* **Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.  
Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.  
Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us your peace.**

## Prayer for Spiritual Communion

*During this time of quiet reflection and prayer, give thanks for the saving death and resurrection of Jesus and ask him to be with you now.*

**Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ,  
for all the benefits you have given me,  
for all the pains and insults you have borne for me.  
Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally,  
I ask you to come spiritually into my heart.  
O most merciful redeemer, friend and brother,  
may I know you more clearly, love you more dearly,  
and follow you more nearly, day by day. Amen.**

*after the Prayer of St Richard of Chichester*

## Prayer after Communion

*The Post Communion or another suitable prayer is said.*

*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.**

## The Dismissal

*The president uses a seasonal blessing, followed by this dismissal*

**Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
All In the name of Christ. Amen.**