

Greeting and Notices

The minister greets the people and then the Notices are given. The Opening Sentence is said

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you
and also with you.

Preparing for Worship

We pray together

**We worship with Christians near and far,
living and departed, old and young,
to celebrate the guiding light of Christ,
the warmth of God's love,
and our unity in the Holy Spirit.**

**God our Father,
you have given each of us a part to play
in the great witness of your church.
Help us to grow together
and to learn from one another.
Keep us thankful for the gifts
you have given us.
Help us to be eager to use them in your service.
Amen.**

Confession

We use these or other words

Jesus said: Before you offer your gift, go and be reconciled. As sisters and brothers in God's family, we come together to ask God through Jesus for forgiveness.

**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.**

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.

Amen

The Collect

The minister introduces a short time of silence for personal prayers to be offered to God, then prays the prayer or Collect for the day which can be found on the News Sheet.

Amen

Gospel Reading

When the Gospel is announced the reader says

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

Glory to you, O Lord

After the Gospel this response is used

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

We sit for the Sermon.

The Sermon

The Sermon is followed by a time of silence.

Affirmation of Faith

Let us affirm our faith in Jesus Christ the Son of God.

Though he was divine,

he did not cling to equality with God,

but made himself nothing.

Taking the form of a slave,

he was born in human likeness.

He humbled himself

and was obedient to death,

even the death of the cross.

Therefore God has raised him on high,

and given him the name above every name:

that at the name of Jesus

every knee should bow,

and every voice proclaim that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Amen

Philippians 2.6-11

The Peace

Christ is our peace. He has reconciled us to God in one body by the cross. We meet in his name and share his peace.

Amen.

The minister then says

The peace of the Lord be always with you

And also with you.

The Eucharistic Prayer

We remain standing

The Lord is here

His Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

It is right to give thanks and praise.

Father, you made the world and love your creation. You gave your Son Jesus Christ to be our Saviour. His dying and rising have set us free from sin and death. And so we gladly thank you, with saints and angels praising you, and saying:

**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.**

We praise and bless you, loving Father, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; and as we obey his command, send your Holy Spirit, that broken bread and wine outpoured may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died he had supper with his friends and, taking bread, he praised you. He broke the bread, gave it to them and said: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine. Again he praised you, gave it to them and said: 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.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did, in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross.

Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation, we proclaim his death and resurrection until he comes in glory.

Great is the mystery of faith;

Christ has died:

Christ has risen:

Christ will come again.

Lord of all life, help us to work together for that day when your kingdom comes and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.

Look with favour on your people, gather us in your loving arms and bring us with all the saints to feast at your table in heaven.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father, for ever and every.

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray;

**Our Father, in heaven,
hallowed be your name;**

your kingdom come;

your will be done;

on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins,

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Lead us not into temptation;

but deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power

and the glory are yours,

now and for ever. Amen.

Breaking the Bread

The minister breaks the consecrated bread saying one of the following

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.**

Or

Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup

we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Together we may say

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

We sit

Giving of Communion

The minister then uses one of these invitations

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.

or

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

Prayer after Communion

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 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.

Amen.

The Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen.