

## Hymn

### *¶ The Gathering*

*The president may say*

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

*All* **Amen.**

### *The Greeting*

*The president greets the people*

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

*All* **and also with you.**

### *Invitation to confession*

#### *Prayers of Penitence*

Christ the light of the world  
has come to dispel the  
darkness of our hearts.  
In his light let us examine  
ourselves and confess our  
sins.

God our Father,  
You sent your Son full of  
grace and truth:  
Forgive our failure to

receive him.

Lord have mercy.

**Lord have mercy.**

Jesus our Saviour,  
you were born in poverty  
and laid in a manger:  
Forgive our greed and  
rejection of your ways.

Christ have mercy.

**Christ have mercy.**

Spirit of love,  
your servant Mary,  
responded joyfully to your  
call:

Forgive the hardness of our  
hearts.

Lord have mercy.

**Lord have mercy.**

May the Father of all  
healing and forgiveness  
draw you to himself that  
you may behold the glory of  
his Son the Word made  
flesh, and be cleansed from  
all your sins, through Jesus  
Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

*Gloria in Excelsis*

*Refrain: Glory to God, Glory  
to God, Glory to  
God in the highest.*

**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.**

*Refrain:*

**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.**

*Refrain:*

**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.**

*Refrain:*

**Or**

**Glo-ry to God on Hi-gh  
Who made the Earth and  
S-ky**

**Peace to all upon the Earth  
Praise Jesus for his royal  
birth**

**Our thanks and praise to  
God we bring,**

**Sing alleluias to our King  
Christ came down to Ear-th  
Christ came down to Earth**

**Jesus God's precious Son  
With God has made us  
one—**

**By his death upon the cross  
Has redeemed us from our  
loss—**

**Risen from the awful grave  
For those he came to sa-ve  
Jesus hear our pray-er  
Jesus hear our prayer**

**Praise Father, Spirit, Son—  
Together Three in One—**

**Reigning from the Father's  
throne,**

**Dwelling in our Heavenly  
home**

**The gates of Heav'n flung  
wide and free**

**To welcome you and wel  
come me**

**Praise Father, Spirit Son—  
Praise Father, Spirit Son.**

*Tune - In Dulci Jubilo  
Rev'd Keith Rengert*

*The Collect*

**All Amen**

¶ The Liturgy of the Word

*Readings*

*At the end of each the  
reader may say*

This is the word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

**Hymn**

*Gospel Reading*

*From Christmas:*

Alleluia, alleluia.

The Word became flesh and  
dwelt among us,  
and we have seen his glory.

**All Alleluia.**

*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 Nicene Creed*

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

**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 man.**

**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*

A minister says:

Let us pray to our incarnate Lord,  
who has brought us out of darkness  
and into his own marvellous light.

*These responses may be used*

Lord, in your mercy

*All* **hear our prayer.**

(or)

Holy God

*All* **Hear our prayer**

*And at the end*

Merciful Father,

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

¶ The Liturgy of the Sacrament

**The Peace**

Unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given,  
and his name shall be called the Prince of Peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you

*All* **And also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*Preparation of the  
Table*

*Taking of the Bread  
and Wine*

Word made flesh, life of  
the world,  
In your incarnation you  
embraced our poverty:  
by your Spirit may we  
share your riches.  
**Amen.**

The Lord be with you.

*All* **And also with you.**

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.**

*(Christmas season)*

All glory and honour be  
yours always and every  
where,  
mighty creator, ever-living  
God.

We give you thanks and  
praise for your Son,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ,  
who for love of our fallen  
race humbled himself,

and [on this night] was born  
of the Virgin Mary  
by the power of your Spirit,  
and lived as one of us.

In this mystery of the Word  
made flesh

you have caused his light to  
shine in our hearts,  
to give knowledge of your  
glory in the face of Jesus  
Christ.

In him we see our God  
made visible and so are  
caught up in the love of the  
God we cannot see.

Therefore with all the  
angels of heaven  
we lift our voices to pro  
claim the glory of your  
name

and sing our joyful hymn of  
praise:

*(Epiphany Season)*

All honour and praise be  
yours always and every  
where, mighty creator, ever  
living God, through Jesus  
Christ your only Son our  
Lord:

for at this time we celebrate  
your glory made present in  
our midst.

In the coming of the magi  
the King of all the world  
was revealed to the nations.

In the waters of baptism  
Jesus was revealed as the  
Christ, the Saviour sent to  
redeem us.

In the water made wine  
the new creation was  
revealed at the wedding  
feast.

Poverty was turned to  
riches, sorrow into joy.  
Therefore with all the  
angels of heaven  
we lift our voices to  
proclaim the glory of your  
name and sing our joyful  
hymn of 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.]**

Lord, you are holy indeed,  
the source of all holiness;  
grant that by the power of  
your Holy Spirit,  
and according to your holy  
will, these gifts of bread and  
wine may be to us the body  
and blood of our Lord Jesus  
Christ;  
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.

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.

Great is the mystery of  
faith:

**All Christ has died:**

**Christ is risen:**

**Christ will come again.**

And so, Father, calling to  
mind his death on the cross,  
his perfect sacrifice made  
once for the sins of the  
whole world;  
rejoicing in his mighty  
resurrection and glorious

ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate this memorial of our redemption. As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, we bring before you this bread and this cup and we thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you. Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup, so that we, in the company of [N and] all the saints, may praise and glorify you for ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever.

**All Amen.**

Rejoicing in the presence of God here among us, let us pray with confidence as our Saviour taught us.

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
Hallowed be thy Name.  
Thy Kingdom come.  
Thy will be done on earth,  
As it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
As we forgive those who 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.**

### *Breaking of the Bread*

We break the bread of life, and that life is the light of the world.

**God here among us,  
light in the midst of us,  
bring us to light and life.**

### *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.

**All Most merciful Lord,  
your love compels us to  
come in.**

**Our hands were unclean,  
our hearts were  
unprepared;  
we were not fit  
even to eat the crumbs  
from**

**under your table  
But you, Lord, are the God  
of our salvation,  
and share your bread with  
sinners. So cleanse and  
feed us  
with the precious body and  
blood of your Son,  
that he may live in us and  
we in him; and that we,  
with the whole  
company of Christ,  
may sit and eat in your  
kingdom.**

**Amen.**

*Giving of Communion*

*The President and people  
receive communion.*

*All are warmly invited to come  
forward, to receive Holy  
Communion or a blessing.  
Baptised and communicant  
members of other Christian  
Churches are invited to receive  
communion. It is helpful if  
those wishing to receive a  
blessing come forward carrying  
this service book.*

*Prayer after  
Communion*

*A Post Communion 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.**

**Hymn**

*The Dismissal*

## **Blessing**

Christ, who by his  
incarnation gathered into  
one things earthly and  
heavenly, fill you with peace  
and goodwill  
and make you partakers of  
the divine nature;  
and the blessing of God  
almighty,  
The Father, the Son, and the  
Holy Spirit,  
Be among you and remain  
with you always.  
**Amen.**

Go in the Peace of Christ:  
**Thanks be to God.**

