

## The Gathering

*At the entry of the ministers a hymn may be sung  
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.**

We know you and we do not know you

*All* **You are mysterious and full of joy.**

You know us and you understand us.

*All* **You are loving and full of truth.**

You welcome us and you live in us.

*All* **You are holy and full of hope.**

We look for you in each other.

*All* **We look for you in our midst.**

*Words of welcome or introduction may be said.*

## The Liturgy of the Word

### First Reading

*Acts 1.1-11*

*At the end the reader may say*

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

*All* **He is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

## 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 president introduces a period of silent prayer with the words 'Let us pray'  
The Collect is said.*

Risen Christ, you have raised our human nature to the throne of heaven:  
help us to seek and serve you, that we may join you at the Father's side,  
where you reign with the Spirit in glory, now and for ever.

*All* **Amen.**

## Second Reading

*Ephesians 1.15-23*

*At the end the reader may say*

This is the word of the Lord.

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

*A hymn may be sung*

## Gospel Reading

*When the Gospel is announced the reader says*

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.  
*All* **Glory to you, O Lord.**

*Luke 24.44-53*

This is the Gospel of the Lord.  
*All* **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## Sermon

### The Creed

*All* **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.**

*cf Philippians 2.6-11*

## Prayers of Intercession

*These responses may be used*

At the name of Jesus  
*All* **Every knee shall bow.**

## The Liturgy of the Sacrament

### The Peace

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

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*All may exchange a sign of peace.*

### The Eucharistic Prayer

*The president says*

The Lord is here.  
*All* **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.**

*The communion prayer continues...*

*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.]**

*The communion prayer continues...*

Great is the mystery of faith:

*All* **Christ has died:  
Christ is risen:  
Christ will come again.**

*The communion prayer continues...*

## The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray

*All* **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 of the Bread

*The president breaks the consecrated bread.*

Lord, we died with you on the cross.

*All* **Now we are raised to new life.**

We were buried in your tomb.

*All* **Now we share in your resurrection.**

Live in us, that we may live in you.

## Agnus Dei

*All* **Jesus, Lamb of God,  
have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, bearer of our sins,  
have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, redeemer of the world,  
give us your peace.**

## Giving of Communion

*The president says the invitation to communion*

I heard the voice of a great multitude crying, Alleluia.  
The Lord our God has entered into his kingdom.

**All Blessed are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb.  
Alleluia.**

*The president and people receive communion.  
Authorized words of distribution are used and the communicant replies*

**Amen.**

*During the distribution hymns and anthems may be sung.*

## Prayer after Communion

*Silence is kept.*

God our Father,  
you have raised our humanity in Christ  
and have fed us with the bread of heaven:  
mercifully grant that, nourished with such spiritual blessings,  
we may set our hearts in the heavenly places;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All We thank you, Lord,  
that you have fed us in this sacrament,  
united us with Christ,  
and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet  
prepared for all peoples.  
Amen.**

*A hymn may be sung*

## The Dismissal

### Blessing

*We go with God's blessing*

*A minister says*

Waiting expectantly for the promised Holy Spirit,  
go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia. Alleluia.

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

*The ministers and people depart.*

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