

WELCOME

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

Amen.

The Lord be with you. and also with you.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

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

Jesus says, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand. 'So let us turn away from sin and turn to Christ, confessing our sins in penitence and faith. Matthew 4: 17

O King enthroned on high, filling the earth with your glory: holy is your name, Lord God almighty. In our sinfulness we cry to you to take our guilt away, and to cleanse our lips to speak your word, through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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.

COLLECT

The prayer for the day is said.

The Liturgy of the Word

FIRST READING

After the reading we say:

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The following acclamation or an alternative may be used.

Alleluia, alleluia.
Blessed are the poor in spirit,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
Alleluia.

GOSPEL READING

When the Gospel is announced:

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

At the end:

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

SERMON

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

This or an alternative response may be used.

Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.

And at the end:

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

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

THE PEACE

To crown all things there must be love, to bind all together and complete the whole. Let the peace of Christ rule in our hearts.

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

PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

Blessed be God, by whose grace creation is renewed, by whose love heaven is opened, by whose mercy we offer our sacrifice of praise. Blessed be God for ever.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER [A]

The Lord be with you and also with you.

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.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should always sing of your glory, holy Father, almighty and eternal God, through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. For you are the hope of the nations, the builder of the city that is to come. Your love made visible in Jesus Christ brings home the lost, restores the sinner and gives dignity to the despised. In his face your light shines out, flooding lives with goodness and truth, gathering into one in your kingdom a divided and broken humanity. Therefore, with all who can give voice in your creation we glorify your name, for ever praising you and saying:

The following alternative is used on the Feast of Christ the King.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give you thanks, holy Father, almighty and eternal God.
For with the oil of gladness you have anointed Christ the Lord, your only Son, to be our great high priest and king of all creation.
As priest, he offered himself once for all upon the altar of the cross and redeemed the human race by this perfect sacrifice of peace.

As king he claims dominion over all your creatures, that he may bring before your infinite majesty a kingdom of truth and life, a kingdom of holiness and grace, a kingdom of justice, love and peace. And so with angels and archangels and all the heavenly host, we proclaim your glory and join in their unending hymn of praise:

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.

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.

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.

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died: Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.

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.

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.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Let us pray with confidence, as our Saviour has 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

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.

The Agnus Dei:

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.

GIVING OF COMMUNION

God's holy gifts for God's holy people. Jesus Christ is holy, Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

The president may say a post communion prayer after which we all say:

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, bring us to that dwelling which your Son is preparing for all who love you. Give us the will each day to live in life eternal. Let our citizenship be in heaven where, with the whole company of the redeemed, we praise, worship and adore Christ our Lord, who reigns in glory for ever and ever. Amen.

The Dismissal

BLESSING

Christ our King make you faithful and strong to do his will, that you may reign with him in glory; 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 peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen.