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The Gathering of God's People

GREETING

In the name of Christ, we welcome you.
We have been called out of darkness into God's marvellous light.
Grace and peace be with you
and also with you.

The love of God has been poured into our hearts,
through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us:
we dwell in him and he lives in us.

Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his name;
make known his deeds among the peoples.

Sing to God, sing praises to his name;
and speak of all his marvellous works.

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God almighty;
who was and is and is to come.

THE COLLECT

Heavenly Father,
you anointed your Son Jesus Christ
with the Holy Spirit and with power
to bring to us the blessings of your kingdom.
Anoint your Church with the same Holy Spirit,
that we who share in his suffering and victory
may bear witness to the gospel of salvation;
through Jesus Christ, your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Proclaiming and Receiving the Word

FIRST READING

THE PSALM

SECOND READING

THE GOSPEL READING

When the Gospel is announced the reader says

Hear the Gospel of our Saviour Christ according to

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

At the end

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

THE SERMON

Prayer and Penitence

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

God the Father, your will for all people is health and salvation.

We praise and bless you, Lord.

God the Son, you came that we might have life,
and might have it more abundantly.

We praise and bless you, Lord.

God the Holy Spirit, you make our bodies
the temple of your presence.

We praise and bless you, Lord.

Holy Trinity, one God, in you we live and move and have our being.

We praise and bless you, Lord.

Lord, grant your healing grace to all
who are sick, injured or disabled,
that they may be made whole.

Hear us, Lord of life.

Grant to all who are lonely, anxious or depressed
a knowledge of your will and an awareness of your presence.

Hear us, Lord of life.

Grant to all who minister to those who are suffering,
wisdom and skill, sympathy and patience.

Hear us, Lord of life.

Mend broken relationships, and restore to those in distress
soundness of mind and serenity of spirit.

Hear us, Lord of life.

Sustain and support those who seek your guidance
and lift up all who are brought low by the trials of this life.

Hear us, Lord of life.

Grant peace and a holy death to those who are dying,
and uphold by the grace and consolation of your Holy Spirit
those who are bereaved.

Hear us, Lord of life.

Restore to wholeness whatever is broken by human sin,
in our lives, in our nation, and in the world.

Hear us, Lord of life.

You are the Lord, you perform mighty wonders.

You have declared your power among the peoples.

With you, Lord, is the well of life
and in your light do we see light.

Hear us, Lord of life,
heal us, and make us whole.

Let us be silent before God.

A period of silence follows

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people;
in the multitude of your mercies look with compassion
upon us and all who turn to you for help;
for you are gracious, O lover of souls,
and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
now and for ever. **Amen.**

PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

The gospel calls us to turn away from sin and be faithful to Christ.
As we offer ourselves to him in penitence and faith,
we renew our confidence and trust in his mercy.

Cast your burden upon the Lord and he will sustain you. *Psalm 55: 22*

In returning and rest you shall be saved.
In quietness and trust shall be your strength. *Isaiah 30: 15*

There follows a period of silent reflection and self-examination.

You raise the dead to life in the Spirit:
Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

You bring pardon and peace to the sinner:
Christ, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.

You bring light to those in darkness:
Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

Or

CONFESSION

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we have sinned in thought and word and deed,
and in what we have left undone.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us,
that we may walk in newness of life
to the glory of your name. Amen**

The priest says

God, the Father of mercies,
has reconciled the world to himself
through the death and resurrection of his Son, Jesus Christ,
not holding our sins against us,
but sending his Holy Spirit to shed abroad his love among us.
By the ministry of reconciliation entrusted by Christ to his Church,
receive his pardon and peace
to stand before him in his strength alone
this day and for evermore. **Amen.**

Laying on of Hands and Anointing

Oil for anointing may be brought to the priest.

Our help is in the name of the Lord
who has made heaven and earth.

Blessed be the name of the Lord:
now and for ever. Amen.

Blessed are you, sovereign God, gentle and merciful,
creator of heaven and earth.

Your Word brought light out of darkness,
and daily your Spirit renews the face of the earth.

When we turned away from you in sin,
your anointed Son took our nature and entered our suffering
to bring your healing to those in weakness and distress.

He broke the power of evil and set us free from sin and death
that we might become partakers of his glory.

His apostles anointed the sick in your name,
bringing wholeness and joy to a broken world.

By your grace renewed each day
you continue the gifts of healing in your Church
that your people may praise your name for ever.

If oil is to be consecrated these words are included:

[By the power of your Spirit may your blessing rest on those who are anointed with this oil in your name; may they be made whole in body, mind and spirit.]

Hear the prayer we offer for all your people.

Remember in your mercy those for whom we pray:
heal the sick, raise the fallen, strengthen the fainthearted
and enfold in your love the fearful and those who have no hope.
In the fulness of time complete your gracious work.
Reconcile all things in Christ and make them new.
Restore us in your image, renew us in your love,
that we may serve you as sons and daughters in your kingdom;
through your anointed Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord,
to whom with you and the Holy Spirit
we lift our voices of thanks and praise:

**Blessed be God, our strength and our salvation,
now and for ever. Amen.**

The laying on of hands is administered, using these or other suitable words:

In the name of God and trusting in his might alone,
receive Christ's healing touch to make you whole.

May Christ bring you wholeness of body, mind and spirit,
deliver you from every evil,
and give you his peace. **Amen.**

Anointing may be administered. The priest says

...., I anoint you in the name of God who gives you life.
Receive Christ's forgiveness, his healing and his love.

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ
grant you the riches of his grace, his wholeness and his peace. **Amen.**

After the laying on of hands and anointing, the presiding minister says

The almighty Lord,
who is a strong tower for all who put their trust in him,
whom all things in heaven, on earth and under the earth obey,
be now and evermore your defence.

May you believe and trust that the only name under heaven
given for health and salvation
is the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

In confidence let us pray to the Father
for the coming of the kingdom among us:
Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name ...

THE PEACE

God has made us one in Christ. He has set his seal upon us and, as a
pledge of what is to come, has given the Spirit to dwell in our hearts.

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

*Holy Communion follows with the Preparation of the Table and the following
Eucharistic Prayer*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The priest takes the bread and wine.

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 our thanks and praise.

We give you thanks, our God and Father,
for you have created us and you sustain us.
Through your only Son Jesus Christ
you have revealed your love and your care for all your people;
you are ready to forgive and to save in time of need;
so we proclaim your glory, saying
**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Our Lord Jesus Christ,
on the night that he was betrayed, took bread;
and when he had given thanks to you, 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 when he had given thanks to you,
he gave it to them, saying:
Drink this, all of you, for 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, Father, with this bread and this cup
we do as Christ your Son commanded:
**we remember his passion and death,
we celebrate his resurrection and ascension,
and we look for the coming of his kingdom.**

Accept through him our great high priest
this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving;
and, as we eat and drink these holy gifts,
grant by the power of the life-giving Spirit,
that we may be made one in your holy Church
and partakers of the body and blood of your Son,
that he may dwell in us and we in him:

Through the same Jesus Christ our Lord,
by whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
**all honour and glory are yours, Almighty Father,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

.The priest breaks the bread, saying

The bread which we break
is a sharing in the body of Christ.

**We, being many, are one body
for we all share in the one bread.**

COMMUNION

After all have received, silence is kept for a space.

Going Out as God's People

God who said: 'Let light shine out of darkness',
has caused his light to shine within us

to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God
revealed in the face of Jesus Christ.

We have this treasure in earthen vessels
to show that the power belongs to God.

All say

Almighty God,

**we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.**

**Through him we offer you our souls and bodies
to be a living sacrifice.**

**Strengthen us by 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 heart and mind 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 with you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

A minister says

Go in the joy and peace of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

The ministers and people depart.

