

Liturgical Advisory Committee – Report 2012  
**THE LITURGICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
**REPORT 2012**

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**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Few within the Church would argue with the premise that the primary function of the Church is what it does for the glory of God, and that it is when we meet as God's people to worship that we best fulfil that function. Since its formation in 1962, the Liturgical Advisory Committee has sought to provide the Church of Ireland with the best resources possible, so that when worship occurs, we ascribe to God only that which is true and worthy....our best.

The financial constraints facing the Church of Ireland and, in particular, the budget for 2012, has meant that the Committee has had to review its timetable of meetings and consider its programme of work to ensure that the extent and quality of its work is not compromised.

The sub-committees developing material in the areas of Liturgical Education and Formation, Music, Liturgical Resources and Electronic Liturgy continue to be the focus of discussion, planning and action.

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The objectives for the coming year are:

- The completion of the second volume in the *PRISM Series*, with further work in the development and enhancement of the worship web pages;
- To encourage and support the Chairman in the production of his work *The Week of Weeks*, providing resources for Lent, Holy Week and Easter pertinent to the Church of Ireland;
- To further consider the content for a supplement to the hymnal.

The Church of Ireland's participation in international and interdenominational liturgical fora continues to be both appreciated and influential. A member of the Liturgical Advisory Committee is on the steering committee for the next International Anglican Liturgical Consultation planned for 2013. The Four Nations Liturgical Group (a conference of representatives from the Liturgical committees of the Anglican churches in Ireland, Scotland, England and Wales) is expected to meet this year.

### REPORT

Last year's report highlighted the work that had been brought to completion during 2010/11. The past year has been one of consolidation of new projects begun and continued.

The request for the committee to produce a eucharistic prayer more suited to when children are present was brought before the House of Bishops, and received their approval for a period of experimental use.

A new venture has been the start of collaborations with Cumann Gaelach na hEaglaise for the availability of further services from the *Book of Common Prayer 2004* in Irish on the Church of Ireland worship web site, and discussions about the production of an Irish/English parallel texts publication of prayer book material, in a similar lay out to that found in the prayer book of the Church in Wales.

The committee has begun work on a liturgy for use across the Church of Ireland for the commissioning of diocesan lay ministers, including diocesan readers.

The committee will also be collaborating with the Church of Ireland Historical Centenaries Working Group in providing liturgies pertinent to the decade of celebrations begun this year.

There was a general feeling of disappointment amongst committee members at the departure by the Roman Catholic Church in its new Missal, from the previous internationally and ecumenically agreed texts, and the implications for future ecumenical occasions.

As was reported last year, the work of the Liturgical Advisory Committee is very much dependent upon suggestions made to it by those within the church community highlighting possible areas of liturgical development. We are grateful to all those who over the past year have identified ways in which we may support them in their ministry of worship.

### LITURGICAL EDUCATION AND FORMATION

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The authors have been working on the completion of the second volume in the PRISM series looking at Baptism. *Holy Baptism – Journeying together in God's love* will come before the committee later this year when the format of publication will also be given consideration.

### MUSIC

The focus in this area has been on material suitable for a modest, low-cost supplement to the hymnal. The result of the invitation to the wider church to offer suggestions has been overwhelming! Something just short of 1500 suggestions from every diocese has been submitted for consideration, which in itself is something of an indication of the level of interest in such a supplement. A provisional list of material which is being considered as content for a supplement is included as an Appendix to this report.

### LITURGICAL RESOURCES & ELECTRONIC LITURGY

The significant liturgical resource to be produced last year was the *Eucharistic Prayer for use when a significant number of children are present*. The requests from clergy and laity for such a prayer resulted in the sub-committee looking at similar prayers from across the Anglican Communion. After composition and redrafting, the prayer was submitted to the House of Bishops for their consideration. The Liturgical Advisory Committee incorporated the amendments suggested by the House of Bishops, and their approval for its experimental use for seven years was given.

The committee is requesting the House of Bishops to extend their permission for the experimental use of *Holy Communion by Extension (for those unable to be present at the public celebration)* in order to review its use in the light of experience, and consider its need in a variety of contexts.

The most recent resource to receive consideration is a liturgy for the commissioning and licensing of diocesan lay ministers, which could be used across the Church of Ireland.

The aims of such a service would be:

- To provide a liturgical framework for the admission, commissioning and licensing of diocesan lay ministers (in particular lay readers), which provides liturgical recognition of the aims and objectives of the Church of Ireland Reader Training Programme;
- To provide liturgical resources which resonate with the contemporary language of the BCP 2004;
- To provide flexibility within any model, recognising that commissioning will take place in varied contexts.

It is hoped to report progress on this to General Synod next year.

The Liturgical Advisory Committee, through this sub-committee, will also be resourcing orders of service for use during the various centenary celebrations through 2012 -2022.

The work of maintaining and updating the liturgical resources on the Worship webpage is time-consuming and, like the rest of the work done by the Liturgical Advisory Committee, is undertaken on a voluntary basis by people already committed in other areas of ministry. There is still much to be done in this area, but there has been great

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encouragement over the past year in the area of Electronic Liturgy. There has been a 30% increase in visitors to the worship section of the website in the past year; 32,100 clicks on the page, with 9264 of those being unique visitors.

The committee received notification of the Church of England's provision of on-line liturgical resources for Queen Elizabeth's Diamond Jubilee celebrations. These can be found at [www.diamondjubilee.churchofengland.org](http://www.diamondjubilee.churchofengland.org). However, it is worth noting that the wording of the Proper Preface provided in this material is for particular use in the established Church of England.

As noted in last year's report, the work of this sub-committee is largely dependent upon the needs of parishes and worship co-ordinators being identified and communicated to it. Once again we would encourage those involved in planning worship to advise the committee, through the Honorary Secretary, of any resources they feel the Liturgical Advisory Committee may be able to help provide.

#### **FUTURE PLANS**

Our future plans include:

- The finalizing of material for the hymnal supplement;
- Looking toward the development of future programmes in the *Prism* series;
- Endeavouring to provide resources for the various centenary celebrations with assistance of other appropriate persons;
- Further development of the worship section of the website;
- Further the collaboration with Cumann Gaelach na hEaglaise on Irish liturgical texts;
- A continued representation of the Church of Ireland in the wider national and international liturgical fora, so that resources and ideas which might be of value in the celebration of our liturgy are available for use from the wider Church.

#### **RESIGNATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS**

It was with deep sadness and appreciation that the Liturgical Advisory Committee received the resignation of Canon Brian Mayne from the committee. A former Honorary Secretary of the committee, Canon Mayne has serviced the liturgical life of the Church in many and varied ways, notably as editor of the *Book of Common Prayer 2004*, and also through his books and contributions to the *Church of Ireland Directory*, *The Church of Ireland Gazette*, the *Sunday and Weekday Readings* booklet, the International Anglican Liturgical Consultation and continued membership of the Liturgical Advisory Committee as a Consultant since retiring from parochial ministry.

Members of the committee were pleased to have been a part of the launch of Canon Mayne's most recent book, *After Communion – A Commentary on Postcommunion Prayers* in St. John's, Malone earlier this year.

Mr Jim Conlon, the Church of Ireland Theological Institute observer on the Liturgical Advisory Committee was replaced by Revd Jonathan Campbell-Smyth.

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In recent years, the committee has recognised its limitations with regard to marketing the work it produces. We are most grateful to Mr Richard Ryan for agreeing to act as a consultant to the committee in regard to this matter.

**APPENDIX A**

**Hymnal Supplement – Contents February 2012**

The list is in alphabetical order, with some authors/composers and tunes/sources in brackets

A rich young man came seeking (Marjorie Brown)	From the breaking of the Dawn
Advent Candles tell their story (Mark Earey)	(Getty & Townsend)
All hail the lamb (Dave Billborough)	From the squalor of a borrowed stable
All heaven declares (Richards)	(Townsend)
All I once held dear (Graham Kendrick)	Give me peace O Lord I pray (Estelle White)
All that I am	Give me the faith which can remove (Wesley)
Allunde, Allunde	Glory to God, the source of all our mission
And he shall reign (Graham Kendrick)	(Christopher Idle)
As we gather at your table (Carl P Daw)	Go at the call of God (Rosalind Brown)
Be bold, be strong	God everlasting, wonderful and holy
Before the throne of God above	God loves you, and I love you, and that's
Behold the Lamb (Getty & Townsend)	the way it should be
Beneath the cross of Jesus (Getty)	Great is the darkness (Noel Richards &
Blessed be your name (Matt Redman)	Gerald Coates)
Blessed is the king who comes (Ian Smale)	Hail thee, festival day!
Blest are they, the poor in spirit (David Haas)	Hallelu, hallelu, hallelu, hallelujah
Bread is blessed and broken (Iona)	He came down that we might have love
Bring to the Lord a glad new song	(Cameroon trad.)
(Ps149,150)(Michael Perry)	He made the stars to shine
Calm me Lord (David Adam & Margaret Rizza)	Heaven Song (JPO Barry)
Child of blessing, child of promise	He's got the whole world in his hand
(Ronald S Cole-Turner)	How clear is our vocation, Lord (Fred Pratt Green)
Christ is surely coming (Christopher Idle)	How good is the God we adore
Clap your hands all ye nations (Iona)	How lovely is your dwelling place
Comber Carol (JPO Barry)	(Ps84 – The homes of Donegal)
Come let us use the grave divine	How sacred is this place (Fred Pratt Green)
(Wesley – Covenant Hymn)	How shall they hear (Timothy Dudley Smith)
Come Lord and meet us (Graham Deans)	I cannot tell why he whom angels worship
Come, sing the praise of Jesus	I stand amazed in the presence
Come, thou fount of every blessing	I will not be afraid (Nick Harding)
Defend me, Lord (George D'Oyly Snow)	I will offer up my life (Matt Redman)
Don't build your house (Karen Lafferty)	I will sing the wondrous story
Eat this bread (Taize)	I'll go in the strength of the Lord
Emmanuel, our god is with us (Michael Card)	I'm gonna jump up and down (Doug Horley)
Faith as small as a mustard seed (Doug Horley)	I'm not ashamed to own my Lord
Far and near, hear the call (Graham Kendrick)	In Christ alone (Townsend & Getty)
Father God you love me (Paul Crouch & David Mudge)	In the Lord I'll be ever thankful (Taize)

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In the name of Christ we gather (Shirley Erena Murray)	Mister Noah built an ark
Jesu tawa pano	Morning glory, starlit sky (WH Vanstone)
Jesus, be the centre (Michael Frye)	My God is so big, so strong and so mighty
Jesus Christ is waiting (Iona)	My heart is filled with thankfulness
Jesus Christ, I think upon your sacrifice (Matt Redman)	(Getty & Townsend)
Jesus is king (Wendy Churchill)	My hope is built on nothing less
Jesus keep me near the cross (Fanny Crosby)	My Jesus I love you
Jesus Lamb of God, worthy is your name	My Jesus, my Saviour (Darlene Zschech)
(You are my strength when I am weak)	My life flows on in endless song
Dennis Jerrigan	Now go in peace (round)
Jesus lead us to the Father (Round)	Now let your people
Jesus' love is very wonderful	Now through the grace of God we claim
Jesus on the cross is lying (Stabat Mater)	(Michael Perry)
(James Quinn)	O Church arise (Townend & Getty)
Jesus, Saviour, Lord (Saranam) (Sri	O God how we have wandered
Lankan traditional)	O God of faith (JPO Barry)
Jesus, tempted in the desert (Herman G Stuempfle)	O God, you are my God Alone (Ps63 - Iona)
Joshua fought the battle of Jericho	O God, you search me (Ps139 – Bernadette Farrell)
King of Kings, Majesty (Jarrod Cooper)	O Lord you knelt to wash (Basil E Bridge)
Let all creation dance (Brian Wren)	O Merciful redeemer hear (St Gregory the Great)
Let me tell you about a baby (Christmas Calypso)	Oh, to see the dawn (Getty & Townsend)
Let us talents and tongues employ (Fred Kaan)	One is the body, and one is the Head (Iona)
Lift high your hands in blessing	Our God is a great big God
(Timothy Dudley Smith)	Praise the one who breaks the darkness
Lift thy banner	(Rusty Edwards)
Light of the world (Tim Hughes)	Pray for the church, afflicted and oppressed
Longing for light (Christ be our light)	(Fred Pratt Green)
(Bernadette Farrell)	See him lying on a bed of straw
Lord of all being, throned afar	See the Lamb of God (Edwin Brown)
(Oliver Wendell Holmes)	See what a morning (Getty & Townend)
Lord you call us to your service (Marjorie Dobson)	Send me, Lord (Thuma mina) (South African trad)
Lord, I come to you	Shalom Shaverim (round)
Lord, I lift your name on high (Rick Founds)	Sing a song, sing a joyful song, sing a
Lord, make us servants of your peace	Joyful song to celebrate
(St Francis of Assisi, paraphrased James Quinn)	Sing choirs of heaven (The Easter Exsultet
Lord, we have come at your own invitation	- Common Worship)
(Fred Pratt Green)	Sing God's Easter people sing (David Mowbray)
Low in the grave he lay (Robert Lowry)	Sing of Andrew, John's disciple (Carl P Daw)
Mayenziwe (Lord's Prayer)	Sons of the holy one (FA Judd)
	Speak, O Lord, as we come to you (Getty
	& Townsend)

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Spirit of God within me (Timothy Dudley-Smith)	Worship, Glory, praise and honour
Spirit of holiness, wisdom and faithfulness (Blow the wind southerly) (Christopher Idle)	(Maurice Arthur Ponsonby Wood)
Spirit of the Lord, come down (Stanbrook Abbey)	Would I have answered when you called (Herman G Stuempfle)
Stay with me, remain here with me (Taize)	You can't stop rain (John Gowans)
Stop and think (Getty)	You who dwell (eagle's wings)
Sweet Sacrament divine	Your words to me (George Currie Martin)
Take, oh take me as I am (Iona)	You're the Lion of Judah (Robin Mark)
Teach me to dance (Graham Kendrick)	
The bells (Peter Whyte)	<b>Liturgical Section</b>
The Church is wherever God's people are praising	Settings of the Kyrie, Gloria, Lord's Prayer,
The kingdom of God is justice and joy (Brian Rees)	Sanctus & Agnus Dei in various styles
The Lord's my shepherd (Stewart Townsend)	Alleluia! Your words, O Lord (Bernadette Farrell)
The song of the supper (Iona)	Halle, halle, hallelujah
The Virgin Mary had a baby boy	Pentecostal Alleluia
There is a higher throne (Getty)	We believe in God (metrical creed)
This is the truth sent from above (English Trad carol)	Christ has died (John Pantry)
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine	Alleluia, Alleluia, (Te Duam)
To be in your presence (Noel Richards)	Behold the Lamb of God (Iona)
Ubi Caritas (Maundy Thursday liturgy)	Come my brothers (Venite)
Wash me clean in that cool river	Dona Nobis Pacem (a round)
We bring you, Lord, our prayer and praise (Timothy Dudley-Smith)	Jubilate Deo (Taize)
We pray thee, heavenly father (VSS Coles)	Long the year's of faithful waiting (Nunc Dimittis)
We shall go out with hope of resurrection (June Boyce Tillman)	My soul rejoices in God, my Saviour (Magnificat)
When it's all been said and done (Jim Cowan)	Our God and Father blessed (Benedictus)
When pain and terror strike by night (Brian Wren)	With Mary let my soul rejoice (Magnificat)
When peace, like a river	Ps23 (Fintan O'Carroll)
When you prayed beneath the trees (Christopher Idle)	Prayer Responses
Who is on the Lord's side?	
Who is the Rock?	
Who would think that what was needed (Iona)	
With Jesus in the boat (With Christ in the vessel)	
Wonderful Lord (Doug Horley)	
Word of the Father, the life of creation (CP Thompson)	
Worship God with the morning sunrise (Geraldine Latty)	