

**and the glory are yours
now and for ever. Amen.**

The minister breaks the consecrated bread, saying

Every time we eat this bread
and drink this cup
**We proclaim the Lord's death
until he comes**

The minister may say:

Our Lord invites us to his table

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.**

After the distribution of the bread and wine, this prayer may be said:

All **You have opened to us the Scriptures, O Christ,
and you have made yourself known
in the breaking of the bread.
Abide with us, we pray,
that we may walk with you
all the days of our life,
and at its end behold you
in the glory of the eternal Trinity,
one God for ever and ever. Amen.**

The minister blesses the people, and then dismisses the people:

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

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HOLY COMMUNION

Common Worship 2000

The service may begin with a hymn. The minister welcomes the people:

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

All **and also with you.**

The minister may lead the people in prayer.

*The minister may read the Summary of the Law, or other words, as
preparation for confession:*

Our Lord Jesus Christ said:

The first commandment is this:

'Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is the only Lord.

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart,
with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.'

The second is this: 'Love your neighbour as yourself.'

There is no other commandment greater than these.

On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

All **Amen. Lord, have mercy.**

After a short time of reflection, the minister says

Jesus Christ, risen Master and triumphant Lord,

we come to you in sorrow for our sins,

and confess to you our weakness and unbelief.

We have lived by our own strength,

and not by the power of your resurrection.

In your mercy, forgive us.

All **Lord, hear us and help us.**

We have lived by the light of our own eyes,

as faithless and not believing.

In your mercy, forgive us.

All **Lord, hear us and help us.**

We have lived for this world alone,

and doubted our home in heaven.

In your mercy, forgive us.

All **Lord, hear us and help us.**

The minister says this or another absolution.

May God our Father forgive *us* our sins,

and bring *us* to the fellowship of his table
with his saints for ever.

All **Amen.**

The Gloria; or a song of praise may be sung.

**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

READINGS

One or two readings from Scripture precede the Gospel reading.

At the end of each the reader may say

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

There may be a psalm or a song between readings.

When the Gospel is announced the reader says

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to....

All Glory to you, O Lord.

At the end

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

THE SERMON

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We say together in faith

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

We believe in God the Father,
who created all things:

*All for by his will they were created
and have their being.*

We believe in God the Son,
who was slain:

*All for with his blood,
he purchased us for God,
from every tribe and language,
from every people and nation.*

We believe in God the Holy Spirit:

*All the Spirit and the Bride say, 'Come!'
Even so, come, Lord Jesus!
Amen.*

THE PRAYERS

The following may be used within the prayers:

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 PEACE

After some introductory words, the minister says:

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

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER - *see separate sheet.*

At the end of the prayer the minister says:

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray,

**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,**