

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

The President 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 invites the people to receive.

After the distribution the minister may lead in this or another prayer:

All Father of all,
**we give you thanks and praise,
that when we were still far off
you met us in your Son and brought us home.
Dying and living, he declared your love,
gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory.
May we who share Christ's body live his risen life;
we who drink his cup bring life to others;
we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world.
Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,
so we and all your children shall be free,
and the whole earth live to praise your name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

After the blessing the minister may say:
Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
In the name of Christ. Amen.

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 invite the people to pray:

All **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.**

*The minister may read some of the following sentences, or other words,
as preparation for confession:*

Hear the words of comfort our Saviour Christ says
to all who truly turn to him:

Come to me, all who labour and are heavy laden,
and I will give you rest. *Matthew 11.28*

God so loved the world that he gave his only-begotten Son,
that whoever believes in him should not perish
but have eternal life. *John 3.16*

Hear what Saint Paul says:

This saying is true, and worthy of full acceptance,
that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.
1 Timothy 1.15

Hear what Saint John says:

If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father,
Jesus Christ the righteous;
and he is the propitiation for our sins. *1 John 2.1,2*

The minister invites the people to confession with these or other words:

The sacrifice of God is a broken spirit;
God will not despise a broken and contrite heart.
Let us come to the Lord, who is full of compassion,
and acknowledge our transgressions in penitence and faith....

All Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against you
and against our neighbour
in thought and word and deed,
through negligence, through weakness,
through our own deliberate fault.
We are truly sorry
and repent of all our sins.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
who died for us,
forgive us all that is past
and grant that we may serve you in newness of life
to the glory of your name. Amen.

The President says this or another absolution.

May the God of love and power
forgive us and free us from our sins,
heal and strengthen us by his Spirit,
and raise us to new life in Christ our Lord. Amen.

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

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

The sermon may be followed by a song, a prayer, or a time of silence.

THE APOSTLES CREED

All I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.
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.