

The minister breaks the consecrated bread, saying

Every time we eat this bread
and drink this cup

**All We proclaim the Lord's death
until he comes**

The minister may say:

Our Lord invites us to his table

**All We do not presume
to come to this your table, merciful Lord,
trusting in our own righteousness,
but in your manifold and great mercies.
We are not worthy
so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table.
But you are the same Lord
whose nature is always to have mercy.
Grant us therefore, gracious Lord,
so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ
and to drink his blood,
that we may evermore dwell in him
and he in us. Amen.**

*After the distribution of the bread and wine, the minister may lead in
prayer, or 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.

Or in the Easter season:

Go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

All Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

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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.

In the Easter season the minister says

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

All He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

The minister may lead the people in prayer.

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

After a short time of reflection, the minister says

God our Father, long-suffering, full of grace and truth.
You create us from nothing and give us life;
even so we reject your love and misuse your gifts.
Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy

Do not turn your face from us, nor cast us aside.
By the cross and resurrection of Jesus
set us free from our sin.
Christ, have mercy.

All Christ, have mercy

As Jesus came from the tomb,
restore us to life,
and bring us to heavenly joy.
Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy

The minister says this or another absolution.

May the Father forgive us by the death of his Son,
and strengthen us to live in the power of the Spirit,
all our days.

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

Let us declare our faith
in the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**All Christ died for our sins
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he was buried;
he was raised to life on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures;
afterwards he appeared to his followers,
and to all the apostles:
this we have received,
and this we believe. Amen.**

THE PRAYERS

The following may be used within the prayers:

Lord, in your mercy

All hear our prayer.

And at the end:

Merciful Father,

**All 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

All 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,

**All 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.**