

Divine Worship
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The Church of the
Redeemer



The Baptism of Our Lord
with the Ministration of Holy Baptism
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Welcome to *The Church of the Redeemer*

- ❖ This booklet contains our liturgy, the order we follow in worship. You'll see the Scripture readings and songs that change from week to week as well as prayers we offer every Sunday.
- ❖ The shape of our Sunday worship is ancient and comes from the *Book of Common Prayer*. Its language is not our everyday language, but a more formal, elevated speech that connects us to the majesty of God and to the larger body of Christ (on earth and in heaven) that worships God together in one Spirit. It's not so much what we've chosen as what we've received, and we treasure the heritage that passed it to us.
- ❖ Not everything we do is "scripted," though. We may pray or sing or "amen" in ways that aren't in the book but spring up from our own hearts. We believe the liturgy has "breathing room" – space for the Spirit to move in fresh ways during the service.
- ❖ Incense is a biblical symbol of our prayers rising to God and his presence with us. We use high-quality, natural materials that present little to no risk for irritation or allergic reaction. Check out Father Edgerton's (free) book for more on incense and its role in the Church.
- ❖ We teach obedience to 1 Corinthians 11:4-16 regarding head coverings in worship, but we recognize that many do not believe this Scripture still applies to the Church. Those who adhere to this teaching, those who do not, and those who are unsure are all welcome to worship according to their own consciences on the matter. Fr. Edgerton has a (free) book in the lobby that offers the historic Christian understanding of this text and practice.

Please *don't* get stressed about whether you're "doing everything right." Like most things, both liturgical and ex tempore worship are things we grow into with time, practice, and devotion. We all had a first time too and understand!

Do focus on the words we sing and pray.

Do join your heart and voice with ours toward God.

Do receive the ministry of the Holy Spirit.

We're so glad you came to worship the Lord with us!

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

Words: Latin, seventh century; trans. The Rev. John Mason Neale (Anglican), 1851
Music: WESTMINSTER ABBEY, Henry Purcell (Anglican), 1680

Christ is made the sure foundation,
Christ the head and cornerstone,
chosen of the Lord, and precious,
binding all the Church in one;
holy Zion's help for ever,
and her confidence alone.

All that dedicated city,
dearly loved of God on high,
in exultant jubilation
pours perpetual melody;
God the One in Three adoring
in glad hymns eternally.

To this temple, where we call thee,
come, O Lord of Hosts, today;
with thy wonted loving-kindness
hear thy servants as they pray,
and thy fullest benediction
shed within its walls away.

Here vouchsafe to all thy servants
what they ask of thee of gain;
what they gain from thee, for ever
with the blessed to retain,
and hereafter in thy glory
evermore with thee to reign.

Laud and honor to the Father,
laud and honor to the Son,
laud and honor to the Spirit,
ever Three, and ever One,
consubstantial, co-eternal,
while unending ages run.



THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

BLESSED be God, ✠ the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.
And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

¶ At the Communion-time the Table shall have upon it a fair white linen cloth. And the Presbyter, standing reverently facing the Table, shall say the Lord's Prayer and the Collect following, the people kneeling; but the Lord's Prayer may be omitted at the discretion of the Presbyter.

¶ A Psalm, Hymn, or Anthem may be sung when the Minister enters or, after a sentence of Scripture, the Minister may say,

The Lord be with you.

People. And with thy spirit.

Presbyter. Let us pray.

¶ Then shall be said the COLLECT FOR PURITY following.

ALMIGHTY God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid; Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ The Decalogue may be omitted, provided it be said at least one Sunday in each month. But Note, that whenever it is omitted, the Minister shall say the Summary of the Law, beginning, Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith.

¶ Then may the Minister say,

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith.

THOU shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

¶ Here, if the Decalogue has been omitted, shall be said,

*(Threefold) Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.*

Presbyter. Let us pray.

O ALMIGHTY Lord, and everlasting God, vouchsafe, we beseech thee, to direct, sanctify, and govern, both our hearts and bodies, in the ways of thy laws, and in the works of thy commandments; that, through thy most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

¶ Then shall be said the COLLECT OF THE DAY.

O LORD, we beseech thee mercifully to receive the prayers of thy people who call upon thee; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil the same; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

FATHER in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan didst proclaim him thy beloved Son and anoint him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with thee and the same Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.*

Isaiah 42:1-9

BEHOLD my servant, whom I uphold,
my chosen, in whom my soul delights;
I have put my Spirit upon him;
he will bring forth justice to the nations.
² He will not cry aloud or lift up his voice,
or make it heard in the street;
³ a bruised reed he will not break,
and a faintly burning wick he will not quench;
he will faithfully bring forth justice.
⁴ He will not grow faint or be discouraged
till he has established justice in the earth;
and the coastlands wait for his law.
⁵ Thus says God, the Lord,
who created the heavens and stretched them out,
who spread out the earth and what comes from it,

who gives breath to the people on it
and spirit to those who walk in it:
6 “I am the Lord; I have called you in righteousness;
I will take you by the hand and keep you;
I will give you as a covenant for the people,
a light for the nations,
7 to open the eyes that are blind,
to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon,
from the prison those who sit in darkness.
8 I am the Lord; that is my name;
my glory I give to no other,
nor my praise to carved idols.
9 Behold, the former things have come to pass,
and new things I now declare;
before they spring forth
I tell you of them.”

Lector. This is the Word of the Lord.
People. Thanks be to God.

Psalm 89:21-30. *Misericordias Domini.*

I HAVE found David My servant; *
with My holy oil have I anointed him.
22 My hand shall hold him fast, *
and My arm shall strengthen him.
23 The enemy shall not be able to do him violence; *
the son of wickedness shall not hurt him.
24 I will beat down his foes before his face, *
and plague those who hate him.
25 My truth also and My mercy shall be with him, *
and in My Name shall his horn be exalted.
26 I will set his dominion also in the sea, *
and his right hand in the floods.
27 He shall call Me, You are my Father, *
my God, and my strong salvation.

28 And I will make him My first-born, *
higher than the kings of the earth.

29 My mercy will I keep for him for evermore, *
and My covenant shall stand fast with him.

30 His seed also will I make to endure for ever, *
and his throne as the days of heaven.

GLORY be to the Father, and to the Son,*
and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,*
world without end. Amen.

Acts 10:34-38

SO Peter opened his mouth and said: “Truly I understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶As for the word that he sent to Israel, preaching good news of peace through Jesus Christ (he is Lord of all), ³⁷you yourselves know what happened throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism that John proclaimed: ³⁸how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him.

Lector. This is the Word of the Lord.

People. Thanks be to God

Lord, Enthroned in Heavenly Splendor

Words: The Rev. George Hugh Bourne (Anglican), 1874
Music: *Bryn Calfaria*, William Owen 1814-1893

Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendor,
first-begotten from the dead.
Thou alone, our strong defender,
liftest up thy people's head.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
Jesus, true and living bread!
Jesus, true and living bread!

Here our humblest homage pay we,
here in loving reverence bow;
here for faith's discernment pray we,
lest we fail to know thee now.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
Thou art here, we ask not how.
Thou art here, we ask not how.

Though the lowliest form doth veil thee
as of old in Bethlehem,
here as there thine angels hail thee,
branch and flower of Jesse's stem.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
We in worship join with them.
We in worship join with them.

Paschal Lamb, thine offering, finished
once for all when thou was slain,
in its fullness undiminished
shall for evermore remain.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
Cleansing souls from every stain.
Cleansing souls from every stain.

Life-imparting heavenly Manna,
stricken Rock with streaming side,
heaven and earth with loud hosanna
worship thee, the Lamb who died.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
Ris'n, ascended, glorified!
Ris'n, ascended, glorified!

In Christ Alone

Keith Getty (Anglican) & Stuart Townend (Anglican). © 2002, Thankyou Music.

In Christ alone, my hope is found;
he is my light, my strength, my song;
This cornerstone, this solid ground,
firm through the fiercest drought and storm;
What height of love, what depths of peace,
when fears are stilled, when strivings cease;
My Comforter, my All in all,
here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, who took on flesh,
fullness of God in helpless Babe;
This gift of love and righteousness,
scorned by the ones he came to save;
‘Til on that cross, as Jesus died,
the wrath of God was satisfied,
For every sin on him was laid;
here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground his body lay,
Light of the world by darkness slain;
Then bursting forth in glorious day,
up from the grave he rose again;
And as he stands in victory,
sin’s curse has lost its grip on me;
For I am his and he is mine,
bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death,
this is the pow’r of Christ in me;
From life’s first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny;
No pow’r of hell, no scheme of man
can ever pluck me from his hand;
‘Til he returns or calls me home,
here in the pow’r of Christ I’ll stand.

All of My Words

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All of my words, both of my hands,
Full mind of thought, heart of wonder,
All of my body thrown into dance,
Full life of passion and thunder:
They are not enough to render to you, O God,
Your due of praise,

And yet you receive, in the hands of your Christ,
My offering, pitiful, small,
And here I determine, in view of his life,
To give to your honor my all.

Presbyter. The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to
St. _____.
All. (Sung) Glory be to thee, O Lord!

St. Matthew 3:13-17

THEN Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to John, to be baptized by him. ¹⁴John would have prevented him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" ¹⁵But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness." Then he consented. ¹⁶And when Jesus was baptized, immediately he went up from the water, and behold, the heavens were opened to him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming to rest on him; ¹⁷and behold, a voice from heaven said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."

Presbyter. The Gospel of the Lord.
All. (Sung) Praise be to thee, O Christ!

The Order for the Ministration of Holy Baptism of Adults

¶ At the appointed time, immediately after the reading of the Gospel in the Holy Communion, or at such other time as the Minister shall appoint, the sponsors (and the parents) with the child or adult person to be baptized must be ready at the Font, and the Presbyter coming to the Font (which is to be filled with pure Water), and standing there, the people also standing throughout, shall say,

HATH this Person been already baptized, or no?

¶ If they answer, *No*: then shall the Presbyter proceed as follows.

DEARLY beloved, forasmuch as all men are conceived and born in sin; and that our Saviour Christ saith, None can enter into the kingdom of God, except he be regenerate and born anew of Water and of the Holy Ghost; I beseech you to call upon God the Father, through our Lord Jesus Christ, that of his bounteous mercy he will grant to *this Person* that which by nature *he* cannot have; that *he* may be baptized with Water and the Holy Ghost, and received into Christ's holy Church, and be made a living *member* of the same.

¶ Then shall the Presbyter say,

Let us pray.

ALmighty and everlasting God, who of thy great mercy didst save Noah and his family in the ark from perishing by water; and also didst safely lead the children of Israel thy people through the Red Sea, figuring thereby thy holy Baptism; and by the Baptism of thy well-beloved Son Jesus Christ in the river Jordan, didst sanctify Water to the mystical washing away of sin: We beseech thee, for thine infinite mercies, that thou wilt mercifully look upon *this Person*; wash *him* and sanctify *him* with the Holy Ghost; that *he*, being delivered from thy wrath, may be received into the ark of Christ's Church; and being steadfast in faith, joyful through hope, and rooted in love, may so pass the waves of this troublesome world, that finally *he* may come to the land of everlasting life, there to reign with thee, world without end; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ Then the Presbyter shall say,

Hear the words of the Gospel, written by Saint John, in the third chapter, at the first verse.

THERE was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews: the same came to Jesus by night, and said unto him, Rabbi, we know that thou art a teacher come from God: for no man can do these miracles that thou doest, except God be with him. Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God. Nicodemus saith unto him, How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter the second time into his mother's womb, and be born? Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again. The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound thereof; but canst not tell whence it cometh, and whither it goeth: so is every one that is born of the Spirit.

¶ Then shall the Minister say,

AND now, being persuaded of the good will of our heavenly Father toward *this Person*, declared by his Son Jesus Christ; let us faithfully and devoutly give thanks unto him, and say,

¶ Minister and people.

ALmighty and everlasting God, heavenly Father, We give thee humble thanks, that thou hast vouchsafed to call us to the knowledge of thy grace, and faith in thee: Increase this knowledge, and confirm this faith in us evermore. Give thy Holy Spirit to *this Child* (or *this Person*), that *he* may be born again, and be made *an heir* of everlasting salvation; through our Lord Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the same Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

¶ When the Office is used for adults, the Presbyter shall address them as follows, the persons to be baptized answering the Questions for themselves.

WELL-BELOVED, *ye* have come hither desiring to receive holy Baptism. We have prayed that our Lord Jesus Christ would vouchsafe to receive you and bless you, to release you from your sins, to give you the kingdom of heaven, and everlasting life.

Ye have heard also, that our Lord Jesus Christ hath promised in his holy Word to grant all those things that we have prayed for; which promise he, for his part, will most surely keep and perform.

Wherefore, after this promise made by Christ, *ye* must also faithfully, for your part, promise in the presence of these your witnesses, and this whole congregation, that *ye* will renounce the devil and all his works, and constantly believe God's holy Word, and obediently keep his commandments.

¶ Then shall the Presbyter ask of each of the persons to be baptized, severally, these Questions following.

I ask therefore,

DOST thou renounce the devil and all his works?

Answer. I renounce them.

Minister. Dost thou renounce the vain pomp and glory of the world, with all covetous desires of the same?

Answer. I renounce them.

Minister. Dost thou renounce the sinful desires of the flesh, so that thou wilt not follow, nor be led by them?

Answer. I renounce them.

Minister. Dost thou believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth?

Answer. This I steadfastly believe.

Minister. Dost thou believe in Jesus Christ his only begotten Son our Lord? And that he was conceived by the Holy Ghost; born of the Virgin Mary; that he suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; that he went down into hell, and also did rise again the third day; that he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; and from thence shall come again at the end of the world, to judge the quick and the dead?

Answer. This I steadfastly belief.

Minister. And dost thou believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy Catholic Church; the Communion of Saints; the Remission of sins; the Resurrection of the body; and everlasting Life after death?

Answer. This I steadfastly believe.

Minister. Wilt thou be baptized in this Faith?

Answer. That is my desire.

Minister. Wilt thou then obediently keep God's holy will and commandments, and walk in the same all the days of thy life?

Answer. I will, by God's help.

¶ Then shall the Presbyter say,

OMERCIFUL God, grant that the old Adam in *this Person* may be so buried, that the new man may be raised up in *him*. *Amen*.

Grant that all sinful affections may die in *him*, and that all things belonging to the Spirit may live and grow in *him*. *Amen*.

Grant that *he* may have power and strength to have victory, and to triumph, against the devil, the world, and the flesh. *Amen*.

Grant that *he*, being here dedicated to thee by our office and ministry, may also be endued with heavenly virtues, and everlastingly rewarded, through thy mercy, O blessed Lord God, who dost live, and govern all things, world without end. *Amen*.

Minister. The Lord be with you.

Answer. And with thy spirit.

Minister. Lift up your hearts.

Answer. We lift them up unto the Lord.

Minister. Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

Answer. It is meet and right so to do.

¶ Then shall the Presbyter consecrate the Water, saying,

IT is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God, for that thy dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ, for the forgiveness of our sins, did shed out of his most precious side both water and blood; and gave commandment to his disciples, that they should go teach all nations, and baptize them In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Regard, we beseech thee, the supplications of thy congregation; sanctify this Water to the mystical washing away of sin; and grant that *this Child* (or *this Person*), now to be baptized therein, may receive the fullness of thy grace, and ever remain in the number of thy faithful and elect children; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory, now and evermore. *Amen.*

¶ Then the Presbyter shall take each adult by the right hand, and shall say to the sponsors,

Name this Person.

¶ And then, naming the person accordingly, he shall sprinkle or pour Water upon him, or else shall dip him in the Water discreetly, saying,

N, I baptize thee In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. *Amen.*

¶ Then the Presbyter shall say,

WE receive this Person into the congregation of Christ's flock; *and do sign *him* with the sign of the Cross, in token that hereafter *he* shall not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified, and manfully to fight under his banner, against sin, the world, and the devil; and to continue Christ's faithful soldier and servant unto *his life's end.* *Amen.*

* Here the Presbyter shall make a Cross upon the person's forehead.

¶ Then shall the Presbyter say,

SEEING now, dearly beloved brethren, that *this Person is* regenerate, and grafted into the body of Christ's Church, let us give thanks unto Almighty God for these benefits; and with one accord make our prayers unto him, *that this Person* may lead the rest of his life according to this beginning.

¶ Then shall be said,

OUR Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, On earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

¶ Then shall the Presbyter say,

WE yield thee hearty thanks, most merciful Father, that it hath pleased thee to regenerate *this Person* with thy Holy Spirit, to receive *him* for thine own *Child* by adoption, and to incorporate *him* into thy holy Church. And humbly we beseech thee to grant, that *he*, being dead unto sin, and living unto righteousness, and being buried with Christ in his death, may crucify the old man, and utterly abolish the whole body of sin; and that, as *he is made partaker* of the death of thy Son, *he* may also be *partaker* of his resurrection; so that finally, with the residue of thy holy Church, *he* may be an *inheritor* of thine everlasting kingdom; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ Then the Presbyter shall add,

THE Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named; Grant you to be strengthened with might by his Spirit in the inner man; that, Christ dwelling in your hearts by faith, ye may be filled with all the fullness of God. Amen.

¶ If a Presbyter be not available, then a Deacon may administer Baptism.

¶ The word *regenerate* in this Office of Baptism is well meant for a signification of our grafting and incorporation into Christ's flock and a grateful acknowledgement of the benefits of Christ therein given to all who receive Baptism rightly (Note Article XXVII *Of Baptism*). Yet, lest the same word should by any persons, out of ignorance, malice, or obstinacy, be misconstrued: It is hereby declared that the use of this word is not intended to denote an essential alteration in nature, nor a passing, as by some mysterious process, into that fullness of religious life marked by faith, repentance, incipient holiness, ardent desires after God, and elevated affections.

¶ Then shall be said the CREED commonly called the Nicene.

Nicene Creed

I BELIEVE in one God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And of all things visible and invisible:

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, Begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of very

God, Begotten, not made, Being of one substance with the Father, By whom all things were made: Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, And was made man, And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord, and Giver of life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the ☩ Resurrection of the dead, And the Life of the world to come. Amen.

May the Words of My Mouth

From Psalm 19:14, alt.; Music: Eric Wyse (Anglican)

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May the words of (his) my* mouth, the meditation of our hearts,
in your sight be acceptable, O Lord.

May the words of (his) my mouth, the meditation of our hearts,
in your sight be acceptable, O Lord,
our Strength and our Redeemer.

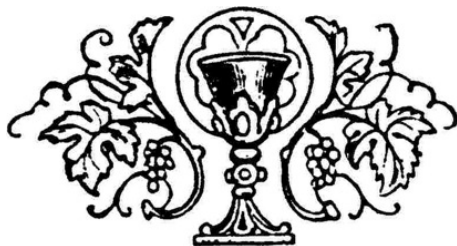
**Congregation sings "his" before and "my" after the sermon.*

Children ages 5 and under are invited (but not required) to go with the teacher to the classroom for a Bible story, prayer, and snack time. They will return to the sanctuary for the Peace and Holy Communion.

¶ Then shall follow the SERMON. After which, the Presbyter shall return to the Lord's Table, and begin the OFFERTORY.

¶ The Offering of the congregation having been gathered, it may be dedicated to the Lord in these words following, or the Long Meter Doxology, or other suitable words, said or sung.

ALL things come of thee, O LORD, and of thine own have we given thee. *Amen. 1 Chronicles 29:14*



THE CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

¶ Here the Presbyter shall give the following or similar invitation.

OUR fellow Christians of other branches of Christ's Church, and all who love our Divine Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ in sincerity, are affectionately invited to the Lord's Table.

¶ Then the Presbyter may ask the secret intercessions of the congregation for any who have desired the prayers of the church. After which he shall say,

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church.

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, who by thy holy Apostle hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men; We humbly beseech thee most mercifully to accept our [**alms and*] oblations, and to receive these our prayers, which we offer unto thy Divine Majesty; beseeching thee to inspire continually the universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord: And grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Lord, in thy mercy

Hear our prayer.

We beseech thee also, so to direct and dispose the hearts of all Christian rulers, [especially Joseph our President and Roy our Governor,] that they may truly and impartially administer justice, to the punishment of wickedness and vice, and to the maintenance of thy true religion, and virtue.

Lord, in thy mercy

Hear our prayer.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all Bishops and other Ministers, [especially Foley our Archbishop, Ray our Presiding Bishop, Peter our Bishop, and Paul our minister,] that they may, both by their life and

doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

Lord, in thy mercy

Hear our prayer.

With our Diocese we ask your especial grace and favor towards Fr. Ian MacGregor, Fr. Dominic Taranto, and the parishioners of All Saints' Anglican Church in Raleigh, North Carolina.

Lord, in thy mercy

Hear our prayer.

And to all thy People give thy heavenly grace; and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear, and receive thy holy Word; truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

Lord, in thy mercy

Hear our prayer.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor all those, who in this transitory life are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity. [*The congregation may offer their petitions.*]

Lord, in thy mercy

Hear our prayer.

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear; beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service, and to give us grace so to follow their good examples, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom. Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. *Amen.*

¶ Then shall the Presbyter say the following words to those who come to receive the Holy Communion. And note, That if the Exhortation above be not said, the people may remain kneeling, the Presbyter using the words *devoutly saying* in place of *devoutly kneeling*.

YE who do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways; Draw near with faith, and take this holy Sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to Almighty God, devoutly kneeling.

¶ Then shall this GENERAL CONFESSION be made, by the Presbyter and all those who are minded to receive the Holy Communion, humbly kneeling, and saying,

ALMIGHTY God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men; We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we, from time to time, most grievously have committed, By thought, word, and deed, Against thy Divine Majesty, Provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, And are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; The remembrance of them is grievous unto us; The burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may ever hereafter Serve and please thee In newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy Name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ Then shall the Presbyter, or the Bishop if he be present, stand up, and turning to the people, say,

ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him; ✠ Have mercy upon you; pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ Then shall the Presbyter say,

Hear what comfortable words our Saviour Christ saith unto all who truly turn to him.

COME unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. *St. Matthew 11:28*

So God loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. *St. John 3:16*

Hear also what Saint Paul saith.

This is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received, That Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. *1 Timothy 1:15*

Hear also what Saint John saith.

If any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the Propitiation for our sins. *1 St. John 2:1, 2*

¶ All stand. The Presbyter says to the people,

People. The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And with thy spirit.

¶ Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord, after which the Presbyter shall proceed, saying,

 Is the Father with us?
People. *He is.*
Presbyter. Is Christ among us?
People. *He is.*
Presbyter. Is the Spirit here?
People. *He is.*
Presbyter. This is our God,
People. *Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.*
Presbyter. We are his people.
People. *We are redeemed.*

¶ It is appropriate for the people to return to a kneeling posture.

Presbyter. The Lord be with you.
People. *And with thy spirit.*
Presbyter. Lift up your hearts.
People. *We lift them up unto the Lord.*
Presbyter. Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.
People. *It is meet and right so to do.*

¶ Then shall the Presbyter turn to the holy Table, and say,

IT is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God.

¶ Here shall follow the PROPER PREFACE, according to the time, if there be any specially appointed; or else immediately shall be said or sung by the Presbyter,

THEREFORE with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of Heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

¶ Presbyter and people.

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest!

✠ Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest!

¶ When the Presbyter, standing before the holy Table, has so ordered the Bread and Wine, that he may with the more readiness and decency break the Bread

before the people, and take the Cup into his hands, he shall say the PRAYER OF CONSECRATION as follows.

ALL glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption; who made there (by his one oblation of himself once offered) a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again: For in the night in which he was betrayed, ^ahe took Bread; and when he had given thanks, ^bhe brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, Take, eat, ^cthis is my Body, which is given for you; Do this in remembrance of me. Likewise, after supper, ^dhe took the Cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of this; for ^ethis is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins; Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.

(a) Here the Presbyter is to take the Paten into his hands.

(b) And here to break the Bread.

(c) And here to lay his hand upon all the Bread.

(d) Here he is to take the Cup into his hands.

(e) And here he is to lay his hand upon every vessel in which there is any Wine to be consecrated.

Presbyter. Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:
All. *(Sung) Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again!*

¶ Then shall be said the OBLATION.

WHEREFORE, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy Divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

¶ Then shall be said the INVOCATION.

AND we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thine almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy

institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

AND we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness, mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion. And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, ✠ our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee, that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him. And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice; yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service; not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. *AMEN.*

Our Father in Heaven (The Lord's Prayer)

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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.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.

Presbyter. Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
People. Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

¶ Then shall the Presbyter, kneeling down at the Lord's Table, say in the name of all those who shall receive the Communion, this Prayer following.

WE do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy: Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. *Amen.*

Agnus Dei

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O Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

O Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

O Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace, grant us peace.

¶ Then shall the Presbyter first receive the Communion in both kinds himself, and proceed to deliver the same to the Bishops, Presbyters, and Deacons, in like manner, (if any be present,) and after that to the people also in order, into their hands, all devoutly kneeling. And sufficient opportunity shall be given to those present to communicate. And when he delivers the Bread, he shall say,

THE Body of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was given for thee, preserve thy body and soul unto everlasting life. Take and eat this in remembrance that Christ died for thee, and feed on him in thy heart by faith with thanksgiving.

¶ And the Minister who delivers the Cup shall say,

THE Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was shed for thee, preserve thy body and soul unto everlasting life. Drink this in remembrance that Christ's Blood was shed for thee, and be thankful.

Let us pray for you.

After all have received bread and wine and the priest is finishing at the Table or as we are singing, all who would like prayer – for healing, blessing, to be filled with the Spirit, anything at all – are welcome to come back to the front to stand or kneel at the altar rail. The priest and others appointed will anoint and pray for you.

I Am Learning to Believe

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I am learning to believe in God the Father,
Who has made me and all of the world.
I am learning to believe in God the Father,
Who has made me and all of the world.

I am learning to trust in the sovereign will
Of the one who is perfect Love.
I am learning to follow his holy ways
And to seek after what lies above.

Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen.

I am learning to believe in God the Son,
Who redeemed me and all of mankind.
I am learning to believe in God the Son,
Who redeemed me and all of mankind.

I am learning to trust in the sacrifice
Of the one who atoned for sin.
I am learning to live in his healing grace
And to look for his coming again.

Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen.

I am learning to believe in God the Spirit,
Who makes holy the people of God.
I am learning to believe in God the Spirit,
Who makes holy the people of God.

I am learning to trust in the mighty pow'r
Of the one who will raise the dead.
I am learning to walk boldly by his lead
And to do in him all Jesus said.

Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alle-luia!

Presbyter. Let us pray.

ALmighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee, for that thou dost vouchsafe to feed us, who have duly received these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of thine everlasting kingdom, by the merits of his most precious death and passion. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

¶ Then, all standing, shall be said or sung the *GLORIA IN EXCELSIS*, or some suitable Hymn.

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.*

¶ This exchange, from the Kenyan prayer book, occurs before the BLESSING. The people accompany the first three responses with a sweep of the arm towards the cross behind the Holy Table, and their final response with a sweep towards heaven.

Presbyter. All our problems
All. We send to the cross of Christ.
Presbyter. All our difficulties
All. We send to the cross of Christ.
Presbyter. All the devil's works
All. We send to the cross of Christ.
Presbyter. All our hopes
All. We set on the risen Christ.

¶ Then, the people kneeling, the Presbyter (the Bishop if he be present) shall let them depart with his BLESSING.

THE peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds 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 Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

¶ A hymn or anthem may be sung.

Lift High the Cross

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Refrain:

*Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim,
 Till all the world adore His sacred Name.*

Led on their way by this triumphant sign,
 The hosts of God in conquering ranks combine.

Each newborn servant of the Crucified
 Bears on the brow the seal of Him Who died.

O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,
 As Thou hast promised, draw the world to Thee.

So shall our song of triumph ever be:
 Praise to the Crucified for victory.

¶ The Deacon, or the Presbyter, dismisses them with these or other words.

People Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia!
 Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

Key Biblical Passages concerning Holy Baptism

By no means exhaustive, this is a list of key biblical passages that demonstrate that we are commanded to be baptized and that Baptism, when performed in faith and with repentance of sins, saves.

Mark 16:15-16 - And he said to them, “Go into all the world and proclaim the gospel to the whole creation. Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned.

John 3:5 - Jesus answered, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God.

Acts 2:38 - And Peter said to them, “Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.”

Acts 22:16 - “And now why do you wait? Rise and be baptized and wash away your sins, calling on his name.”

Romans 6:3-4 - Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the father, we too might walk in newness of life.

1 Corinthians 12:13 - For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body – Jews or Greeks, slaves or free – and all were made to drink of one Spirit.

Galatians 3:27 - For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ.

Colossians 2:11-12 - In him you were circumcised with a circumcision made without hands, by putting off the body of the flesh, by the circumcision of Christ, having been buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through faith in the powerful working of God, who raised him from the dead.

Titus 3:5 - But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our savior appeared, he saved us, not because of works done for us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior.

1 Peter 3: 20-21 - Because they formerly did not obey, when God’s patience waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was being prepared, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were brought safely through water. Baptism, which corresponds to this, now saves you, not as a removal of dirt from the body but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

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