# Divine Worship

# The Church of the Redeemer



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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 means of our prayers rising to God and of his presence with us. We use high-quality, natural materials that present little to no risk for irritation or allergic reaction.
- ❖ 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. All are welcome to worship according to their own consciences on the matter.

Please *don't* get stressed about whether you're "doing everything right." Like most things, both liturgical and spontaneous 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.

Oh, and the kneeler under your seat is yours.

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

# Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Words: Joachim Neander (1650-1680); tr. from German by Catherine Winkworth (Anglican), 1863 Music: Lobe den Herrem, 1665

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear, now to his temple draw near;
praise him in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, who over all things so wondrously reigneth, shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!

Hast thou not seen how thy desires e'er have been granted in what he ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee; surely his goodness and mercy here daily attend thee.

Ponder anew what the Almighty can do, if with his love he befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord, who, when tempests their warfare are waging, who, when the elements madly around thee are raging, biddeth them cease, turneth their fury to peace, Whirlwinds and waters assuaging.

Praise to the Lord, who, when darkness of sin is abounding, who, when the godless do triumph, all virtue confounding, sheddeth his light, chaseth the horrors of night, saints with his mercy surrounding.

Praise to the Lord, O let all that is in me adore him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him.
Let the "Amen!" sound from his people again,
gladly for all we adore him.



## THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

**B**LESSED 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,

(Ninefold) Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

*Presbyter.* Let us pray.

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.

OGOD, who declarest thine almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity; Mercifully grant unto us such a measure of thy grace, that we, running the way of thy commandments, may obtain thy gracious promises, and be made partakers of thy heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

## Ecclesiasticus 10:7-18

↑ RROGANCE is hateful before the Lord and before people, and in justice is out of tune to both. 8 Sovereignty passes from nation to nation on account of injustice and insolence and wealth. 9 Why would dust and ash act arrogantly? For even in life his bowels decay. 10 A long illness baffles the physician; the king of today will die tomorrow. 11 For when a man is dead, he will inherit creeping things and wild beasts and worms. 12 The beginning of a person's pride is to depart from the Lord; his heart has forsaken his Maker. <sup>13</sup> For the beginning of pride is sin, and the man who clings to it will pour out abominations. Therefore the Lord brought upon them extraordinary afflictions and destroyed them utterly. 14 The Lord has cast down the thrones of rulers and has seated the lowly in their place. 15 The Lord has plucked up the roots of the nations and has planted the humble in their place. <sup>16</sup> The Lord has overthrown the lands of the nations and has destroyed them to the foundations of the earth. 17 He has removed some of them and destroyed them and has extinguished the memory of them from the earth. 18 Pride was not created for human beings, nor fierce anger for those born of women.

*Lector.* This is the Word of the Lord.

People. Thanks be to God.

#### Psalm 112. Beatus vir.

 $B^{\text{LESSED}} \ \text{is the man who fears the LORD; }^* \\ \text{he has great delight in His commandments.}$ 

- 2 His seed shall be mighty upon earth; \* the generation of the faithful shall be blessed.
- 3 Riches and plenteousness shall be in his house; \* and his righteousness endures for ever.
- 4 Unto the godly there arises up light in the darkness; \* he is merciful, loving, and righteous.
- 5 A good man is merciful, and lends; \* and will guide his words with discretion.
- 6 For he shall never be moved: \* and the righteous shall be had in everlasting remembrance.
- 7 He will not be afraid of any evil tidings; \* for his heart stands fast, and believes in the LORD.
- 8 His heart is established, and will not be afraid, \* until he sees his desire upon his enemies.
- 9 He has dispersed abroad, and given to the poor, \* and his righteousness remains for ever; his horn shall be exalted with honour.
- 10 The ungodly shall see it, and it shall grieve him; \* he shall gnash with his teeth, and melt away; the desire of the ungodly shall perish.

Cand to the Holy Ghost;

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

## Hebrews 13:1-8

Listrangers, for thereby some have entertained angels unawares. <sup>3</sup> Remember those who are in prison, as though in prison with them, and those who are mistreated, since you also are in the body. <sup>4</sup> Let marriage be held in honor among all, and let the marriage bed be undefiled, for God will judge the sexually immoral and adulterous. <sup>5</sup> Keep your life free from love of money, and be content with what you have, for he has said, "I will never leave you nor forsake you." <sup>6</sup> So we can confidently say,

"The Lord is my helper; I will not fear; what can man do to me?"

<sup>7</sup>Remember your leaders, those who spoke to you the word of God. Consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. <sup>8</sup>Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

*Lector.* This is the Word of the Lord.

People. Thanks be to God.



### How Firm a Foundation

Words: John Rippon, 1787. Music: Early American melody.

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord, is laid for your faith in his excellent word!
What more can he say than to you he hath said, to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

"Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dismayed, for I am thy God and will still give thee aid; I'll strengthen and help thee, and cause thee to stand upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand."

"When through deep waters I call thee to go, the rivers of woe shall not thee overflow; for I will be with thee, thy troubles to bless, and sanctify to thee thy deepest distress."

"When through fiery trials thy pathways shall lie, my grace, all-sufficient, shall be thy supply; the flame shall not hurt thee; I only design thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine."

Even down to old age all My people shall prove My sovereign, eternal, unchangeable love; And when hoary hairs shall their temples adorn, Like lambs they shall still in My bosom be borne.

"The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose;
I will not, I will not desert to his foes.

That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I'll never, no never, no never forsake!"

#### I Love the Lord

Words: Isaac Watts, 1719 Music: Richard Smallwood, 1971, Century Oak Publishing Group/Richwood Music

I love the Lord; He heard my cries, And pitied every groan; Long as I live, when troubles rise, I'll hasten to His throne.

I love the Lord; He bowed His ear, And chased my griefs away; O let my heart no more despair, While I have breath to pray!

My flesh declined, my spirits fell, And I drew near the dead; While inward pangs and fears of hell Perplexed my wakeful head.

"My God," I cried, "Thy servant save, Thou good and ever just; Thy power can rescue from the grave, Thy power is all my trust."
The Lord beheld me sore distressed,
He bid my pains remove;
Return, my soul, to God thy rest,
For thou hast known His love.

My God hath saved my soul from death, And dried my falling tears; Now to His praise I'll spend my breath, And my remaining years.

# You Are My Hiding Place

Words and Music by Michael Ledner, 1981 Maranatha! Music

You are my hiding place.
You always fill my heart with songs of deliverance.
Whenever I am afraid, I will trust in You.
I will trust in You.
Let the weak say I am strong in the strength of the Lord.

# Gospel Procession: I Will Bless the Lord

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I will bless the Lord And give Him glory! Oh, I will bless His name And give Him glory!

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

# St. Luke 14:1, 7-14

NE Sabbath, when he went to dine at the house of a ruler of the Pharisees, they were watching him carefully.

<sup>7</sup>Now he told a parable to those who were invited, when he noticed how they chose the places of honor, saying to them, <sup>8</sup> "When you are invited by someone to a wedding feast, do not sit down in a place of honor, lest

someone more distinguished than you be invited by him, <sup>9</sup> and he who invited you both will come and say to you, 'Give your place to this person,' and then you will begin with shame to take the lowest place. <sup>10</sup> But when you are invited, go and sit in the lowest place, so that when your host comes he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher.' Then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at table with you. <sup>11</sup> For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted."

<sup>12</sup> He said also to the man who had invited him, "When you give a dinner or a banquet, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, lest they also invite you in return and you be repaid. <sup>13</sup> But when you give a feast, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, <sup>14</sup> and you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you. For you will be repaid at the resurrection of the just."

*Presbyter.* The Gospel of the Lord.

All. (Sung) Praise be to thee, O Christ!

#### 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.

# Sermon Prayer and Response: 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, activity, 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 baptized Christians of other branches of Christ's Church, 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 Donald our President], and other rulers, [especially Josh 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 Steve 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 thy special grace and blessing toward Fr. Aaron Rowley and the parishioners of All Saints' Anglican Church in Raleigh. 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,

All LMIGHTY 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.

OME 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,

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People. 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.

 $\P$  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,

T 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.

CREATOR of the light and source of life, who hast made us in thine image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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 (Sanctus)

Setting: Missa d Sancta Maria Magdslena, Healy Willan (Anglican),1880-1968

Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of Hosts:
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.

▼ Blessed is He who cometh 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

- (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.

his coming again: For in the night in which he was betrayed, and took Bread; and when he had given thanks, be brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you; Do this in remembrance of me. Likewise, after supper, the took the Cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of this; for this 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.

*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.

↑ ND we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness, mercifully to accept this  $\mathbf{A}$ 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.

Presbyter. And now, as our Saviour Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

Our Grather, 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.

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*.

# O Lamb of God, That Takest Away the Sins of the World

Music: Healey Willan (Anglican), 1880-1968

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, Have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, Have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, Grant us thy 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.

### Humble Bread, Proud Wine

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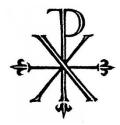
Who can find the words to speak of all we see in Christ: The awful Blood of Covenant, the gruesome sacrifice? For we cannot in language tell the secret of His Tree: The Splendor of the Godhead bleeds with our humanity.

Humble bread, proud wine
We raise to You in trembling,
Our most coarse, Your most fine
In sacrament assembling.
Angels gasp in awe to see
This earth-bound, heav'n-raised mystery,
Our token and Your sign:
Humble bread, proud wine.

Scattered seed and gathered grain, the sweat of Adam's brow Are called together in one loaf, and who can fathom how? The crushed and precious offering of grapes our servant part, Our God in grace extends the cup that now makes glad our heart.

Righteous Noah and the drowned together now give praise; For Christ has joined the hands of all who in Him have been raised. With ev'ry slave and ev'ry king who Jesus' name confess, We are here in fellowship, one Body now and blessed. *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.



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

GLORY be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high 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 beaven.

*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,  $\maltese$  the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. *Amen*.

¶ A hymn or anthem may be sung.

#### **Behold What Manner of Love**

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Behold, what manner of love the Father has given unto us, Behold, what manner of love the Father has given unto us, That we should be called the sons of God. That we should be called the sons of God.

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

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



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