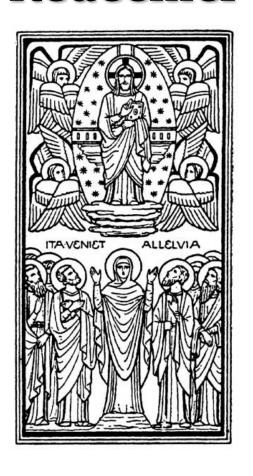
Divine Worship

The Church of the Redeemer



Sunday after the Ascension May 16, A.D. 2021

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 language 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 meaning.
- We teach obedience to 1 Corinthians 11:4-16, but we understand that many Christians do not believe this passage still applies. Those who adhere to this teaching, those who do not, and those who are unsure are all welcome! Fr. Edgerton has a (free) book about this too.

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

Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise

Words: The Rev. Charles Wesley (Anglican), 1742, alt.. Music: *Llanfair*, Robert Williams, 1817; harmony by John Roberts, 1837

Hail the day that sees Him rise, Alleluia! To His throne above the skies, Alleluia! Christ, awhile to mortals given, Alleluia! Now ascends His native heaven, Alleluia!

There the glorious triumph waits, Alleluia! Lift your heads, eternal gates, Alleluia! Christ hath conquered death and sin, Alleluia! Take the King of glory in, Alleluia!

See! He lifts His hands above, Alleluia! See! He shows the prints of love, Alleluia! Hark! His gracious lips bestow, Alleluia! Blessings on His church below, Alleluia!

Still for us His death He pleads, Alleluia! Prevalent He intercedes, Alleluia! Near Himself prepares our place, Alleluia! Harbinger of human race, Alleluia!

Grant, though parted from our sight, Alleluia! Far above yon azure height, Alleluia! Grant our hearts may thither rise, Alleluia! Seeking Thee beyond the skies, Alleluia!

E'er we shall with Thee remain, Alleluia! Partners of Thy endless reign, Alleluia! E'er Thy face unclouded see, Alleluia! Find our heaven of heavens in Thee, Alleluia!

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THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

A lleluia! *Christ is risen!

The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

- ¶ 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,

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.

GRANT, we beseech thee, Almighty God, that like as we do believe thine only-begotten Son our Lord Jesus Christ to have ascended into the heavens; so we may also in heart and mind thither ascend, and with him continually dwell, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen*.

¶ This Collect is to be said daily throughout the Octave.

OGOD, the King of glory, who hast exalted thine only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph unto thy kingdom in heaven; We beseech thee, leave us not comfortless; but send to us thy Holy Ghost to comfort us, and exalt us unto the same place whither our Saviour Christ is gone before, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the same Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen*.

Acts 1:15-26

In those days Peter stood up among the brothers (the company of persons was in all about 120) and said, 16 Brothers, the Scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit spoke beforehand by the mouth of David concerning Judas, who became a guide to those who arrested Jesus. 17 For he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry." 18 (Now this man acquired a field with the reward of his wickedness, and falling headlong he burst open in the middle and all his bowels gushed out. 19 And it became known to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that the field was called in their own language Akeldama, that is, Field of Blood.) 20 "For it is written in the Book of Psalms,

"'May his camp become desolate, and let there be no one to dwell in it';

and

"Let another take his office."

²¹ So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, ²² beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these men must become with us a witness to his resurrection." ²³ And they put forward two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also called Justus, and Matthias. ²⁴ And they prayed and said, "You, Lord, who know the hearts of all, show which one of these two you have chosen ²⁵ to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place." ²⁶ And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias, and he was numbered with the eleven apostles.

Footnotes

a. Acts 1:18 Or swelling up

Lector. This is the Word of the Lord.

People. Thanks be to God.

Psalm 47 Omnes gentes, plaudite

O CLAP your hands together, all you peoples; * O cry aloud unto God with shouts of joy.

- 2 For the LORD Most High is to be feared; * he is the great King over all the earth.
- 3 He shall subdue the peoples under us, * and the nations under our feet.
- 4 He shall choose our inheritance for us, * the pride of Jacob whom he loved.
- 5 God has gone up with a shout of triumph, * the LORD with the sound of the trumpet.

- 6 O sing praises, sing praises unto our God; * O sing praises, sing praises unto our King.
- 7 For God is the King of all the earth; * think upon his mighty acts and praise him with a song.
- 8 God reigns over the nations; * God sits on his holy throne.
- 9 The princes of the peoples are gathered with the people of the God of Abraham; * for the mighty upon earth have become the servants of the LORD, and he is very highly exalted.

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.

1 John 5:6-15

THIS is he who came by water and blood—Jesus Christ; not by the water only but by the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one who testifies, because the Spirit is the truth. ⁷ For there are three that testify: ⁸ the Spirit and the water and the blood; and these three agree. ⁹ If we receive the testimony of men, the testimony of God is greater, for this is the testimony of God that he has borne concerning his Son. ¹⁰ Whoever believes in the Son of God has the testimony in himself. Whoever does not believe God has made him a liar, because he has not believed in the testimony that God has borne concerning his Son. ¹¹ And this is the testimony, that God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. ¹² Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

¹³ I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life. ¹⁴ And this is the confidence that we have toward him, that if we ask anything according to his will he hears us. ¹⁵ And if we know that he hears us in whatever we ask, we know that we have the requests that we have asked of him.

This is the Word of the Lord. Lector.

Thanks be to God. People.

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!

He Is Exalted

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He is exalted,
The King is exalted on high;
I will praise Him.
He is exalted, forever exalted,
And I will praise His name.

He is the Lord.
Forever His truth shall reign.
Heaven and earth
Rejoice in His holy name.
He is exalted,
The King is exalted on high!

My Hope

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You are righteous; You love justice, And those who honour You Will see your face.

I will arise and lift my eyes to see Your majesty, Your holiness; And all I am will bless you!

My hope is in the name of the Lord Where my help comes from. You're my strength, my song. My trust is in the name of the Lord. I will sing your praise; You are faithful.

Gospel Procession: Celtic Alleluia

(Congregation joins the "Alleluias")

Presbyter.	The Holy (Gospel of our l	Lord Jesus Christ	t, according to

St. _____.

All. (Sung) Glory be to thee, O Lord!

St. John 17:11-19

And I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one. ¹² While I was with them, I kept them in your name, which you have given me. I have guarded them, and not one of them has been lost except the son of destruction, that the Scripture might be fulfilled. ¹³ But now I am coming to you, and these things I speak in the world, that they may have my joy fulfilled in themselves. ¹⁴ I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. ¹⁵ I do not ask that you take them out of the world, but that you keep them from the evil one. ^[a] ¹⁶ They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. ¹⁷ Sanctify them ^[b] in the truth; your word is truth. ¹⁸ As you sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. ¹⁹ And for their sake I consecrate myself, ^[c] that they also may be sanctified ^[d] in truth.

Footnotes

- a. John 17:15 Or from evil
- b. John 17:17 Greek Set them apart (for holy service to God)
- c. John 17:19 Or *I sanctify myself*; or *I set myself apart* (for holy service to God)
- d. John 17:19 Greek may be set apart (for holy service to God)

Presbyter. The Gospel of the Lord.

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

 \P Then shall be said the CREED commonly called the Nicene.

Nicene Creed

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.



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.

A LL 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.

With our Diocese, we ask your especial grace and favor toward Fr. Ken Mills; Holy Cross Reformed Episcopal Church; Amelia, Virginia. 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.

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.

 \P 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.

 \P 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,

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;

(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.

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, he 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 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 Iesus 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 Father in Heaven (The Lord's Prayer)

Words: Based on Matthew 6:9-13; adpt. International Consultation on English Texts, 1975

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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.

¶ 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*.

Pascha Nostrum

1 Corinthians 5:7-8; Romans 6:9-11; 1 Corinthians 15:20-22

CHRIST our Passover is sacri|ficed for us: * therefore | let us keep the feast,

Not with the old leaven,
neither with the leaven of |malice • and wickedness;
* but with the unleavened bread of sin|cerity and truth.

CHRIST being raised from the dead | dieth • no more; the death hath no more do minion over him.

- 4 For in that he died, he died unto | **sin** once:
 - * but in that he liveth, he | liveth unto God.
- Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead in|deed unto sin,
 * but alive unto God through | Jesus Christ our Lord.

CHRIST is risen | from the dead,
* and become the | firstfruits • of | them that slept.

- 7 For since by | man came death,
 - * by man came also the resur|rection of the dead.
- 8 For as in Adam | **all** die,
 - * even so in Christ shall | all be made alive.

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.

¶ 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.

Seed, Scattered and Sown

Dan Feiten based on Didache, 1 Corinthians 10, and Mark 4:3-6 © 1987 Ekklesia Music, Inc.

Seed, scattered and sown,
wheat, gathered and grown,
bread, broken and shared as one,
the living Bread of God.
Vine, fruit of the land,
wine, work of our hands,
one cup that is shared by all,
the living Cup, the living Bread of God.

Is not the bread we break, a sharing in our Lord? Is not the cup we bless, the blood of Christ outpoured?

The seed which falls on rock will wither and will die. The seed within good ground will flower and have life.

As wheat upon the hills was gathered and was grown, so may the Church of God be gathered into one.

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.

 $G^{\text{LORY to God in the highest,}}_{\text{And peace to his people on earth.}}$

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.

O Worship the King, All Glorious Above

Words: Robert Grant (Anglican), in 1833, alt. This version is a reworking of lyrics by The Rev. William Kethe (Anglican) in the Genevan Psalter of 1561.

Music: Lyons, attributed to Johann M. Haydn (1737-1806); arranged by William Gardiner, Sacred Melodies (London: 1815)

O worship the King, all glorious above, O gratefully sing His power and His love; Our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days, Pavilioned in splendor, and girded with praise.

O tell of His might, O sing of His grace, Whose robe is the light, whose canopy space, His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form, And dark is His path on the wings of the storm.

The earth with its store of wonders untold, Almighty, Thy power hath founded of old; Established it fast by a changeless decree, And round it hath cast, like a mantle, the sea.

Thy bountiful care, what tongue can recite? It breathes in the air, it shines in the light; It streams from the hills, it descends to the plain, And sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail, In Thee do we trust, nor find Thee to fail; Thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end, Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend.

O measureless might! Ineffable love! While angels delight to worship Thee above, The humbler creation, though feeble their lays, With true adoration shall all sing Thy praise.

¶ 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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