

Communion Order of Worship

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Invocation

P In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Confession and Forgiveness

P Almighty God, to 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 your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence is kept for personal confession

P Most merciful God,

C we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

P Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Kyrie

P In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

For peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world, and for the well-being of the Church of God and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

For his holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

Help save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C Amen.

Prayer of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray: *For those who love you, O God, you have chosen and prepared what no eye has seen nor ear heard. Pour into our hearts a loving affection for you, that we may choose you in and above all things. For only then shall we have what you promise, which far exceeds all we can desire; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. He lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.*

C Amen.

Anthem

Scripture Readings

First Reading

Psalm

Second Reading

Gospel

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Children's Sermon

Sermon

Anthem

Apostles' Creed

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

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

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

Prayers of the People

P Let us pray for the Church, the world, and all people according to their needs.

A brief silence for prayer

After each portion of the prayers:

P Lord in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

The prayers conclude:

P In your hands, merciful Father, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; for the sake of your son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

P The Lord be with you

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Eucharistic Prayer

P Blessed are you,

Lord of Heaven and earth.

In your mercy for our fallen world

you gave your only Son,

that all those who believe in him

should not perish,

but have eternal life.

We give thanks to you

for the salvation

you have prepared

for us through Jesus Christ.

Send now your Holy Spirit

into our hearts,

that we may receive our Lord

with a living faith

as he comes to us

in his holy supper.

C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus

P In the night

in which he was betrayed

our Lord Jesus took bread,

and gave thanks to it; broke it,

and gave it to his disciples,

saying: Take and eat;

this is my body, given for you.

Do this in remembrance of me.
Again, after supper,
he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink,
saying: This cup is
the new covenant in my blood which is shed for you
for the forgiveness of sins.

Do this in remembrance of me.

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

C Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by 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, forever and ever. Amen.

P This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed are they who are called to his supper.

The Communion

All baptized persons who believe in the Real Presence of Christ in, with, and under the bread and wine are welcome to the Table of the Lord.

For those continuing to fast from the sacrament, you are invited to pray the following prayer, The Spiritual Communion:

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Blessed Sacrament.

I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You in my soul.

Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally,
come at least spiritually in my heart.

I embrace You as if you were already there,
and I unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You.

(Saint Alphonsus Liguori)

Following the receiving of communion, the pastor will speak a blessing to those who do not yet receive the sacrament.

Post Communion Blessing

P the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace.

C Amen.

The Post Communion Prayer

P We give you thanks almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in your mercy you would strengthen us, through this gift, in faith toward you, and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

Benediction

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Dismissal

P go in peace to love and serve the risen Lord.

C Thanks be to God.