



Making Christ's Transforming Love Known in the World

Service of Word and Table - The Season of Lent

We Gather in the Lord's Name

The priest welcomes the people, invites them to stand, and says: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

The people respond: **His mercy endures forever. Amen.**

Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

Song

The minister continues.
Let us pray.

The minister and the people pray in unison: **Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you 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 Christ our Lord. Amen.**

We Proclaim and Respond to the Word of God

The Readings

After the reading the reader says: The Word of the Lord.
The people respond: **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm

The Gospel Reading

The minister reads from the Gospels first saying:
The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to _____.
The people respond: **Glory to you Lord Christ.**

After the reading the minister says: The Gospel of the Lord.
The people respond: **Praise to you Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

Song

The minister begins
Let us affirm our faith with the Apostles' Creed.

The minister and people continue in unison

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 to the dead. 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.

We Pray for the World and the Church

The leader begins

In peace, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy" (or "Kyrie eleison").

For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault at the day of your coming, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Kee our Bishop, Glenda, our Bishop-Elect, and Glenda, Charles, Seth and Mike our priests; for all bishops and other ministers, and for all the holy people of God, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease, and that all may be one as you and the Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy

For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy

For those in positions of public trust especially the President of the United States, Donald Trump; the Governor of Alabama, Kay Ivey; the Jefferson County Commissioners; the Mayor of Homewood, Scott McBrayer; that they may serve justice, and promote the dignity and freedom of every person, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy

For this congregation [for those who are present, and for those who are absent], that we may be delivered from hardness of heart, and show forth your glory in all that we do, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy

For our enemies and those who wish us harm; and for all whom we have injured or offended, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy

For all who have commended themselves to our prayers; for our families, friends, and neighbors; that being freed from anxiety, they may live in joy, peace, and health, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy

For members of our parish for whom intercessions have been requested especially _____, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy

For all who have died in the communion of your Church, [especially _____,] and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy

Rejoicing in the fellowship of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God.

To you, O Lord our God.

Silence

The presiding priest says: Let us pray for the forgiveness of our sins.

The people respond: **Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and against our neighbors in thought and word and deed, through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your name. Amen.**

The presiding priest says: As far as the east is from the west, so far has the Lord put away your sins. In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen**

We exchange the Peace of God

The presiding priest says

The Peace of the Lord be with you.

The people respond

And also with you.

The people greet each other with "God's Peace" or "The Peace of the Lord" or other greetings in the name of the Lord.

We make an offering, prepare the Table, and sing.

Song

The people's offering of money, bread and wine is placed on the table. We say together

All things come of you, O Lord, and of your own have we given you.

Holy Eucharist (Thanksgiving)

All standing

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

We thank you Father for creating heaven and earth and for the gift of life. We thank you for showing us yourself in the gift of your Son, Jesus Christ. And so we join the saints and angels in proclaiming your glory, as we sing:

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord,
God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are,
Full of your glory,
Lord, we sing your praise.**

**Hosanna in the highest,
Hosanna in the highest,
Hosanna in the highest,
Lord, we sing your praise.**

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord
God of power and might,
Blessed is he who,
Comes in the name of the Lord,**

**Hosanna in the highest,
Hosanna in the highest,
Hosanna in the highest.
Lord, we sing your praise.
Lord, we sing your praise.
Lord, we sing your praise.**

The priest continues

Most of all, we praise and bless you, O Father, for the salvation of the world by means of the life, death and resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lived and died so that we might have forgiveness of our sins and live with you in eternal life.

And so, Father, we bring you ourselves, our souls and bodies, and this bread and this wine. Take these gifts and sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Father, we now celebrate the memorial of your son. By means of this holy bread and cup, we show forth the sacrifice of his death, and proclaim his resurrection, until he comes again. Gather us by this Holy Communion into one body in your Son Jesus Christ. Make us a living sacrifice of praise. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN!**

And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

The leader and people pray together:

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.

The priest breaks the bread followed by a moment of silence.

Lifting the bread and cup, the priest invites the people to come forward, saying:
The gifts of God for the People of God.

Communion Songs

All baptized Christians are invited to come to the altar to receive Holy Communion. Those who are not baptized, or who do not wish to receive, may come forward for a blessing, indicated by placing crossed hands over the chest.

Prayer after Communion

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

We Go Out into the World, Rejoicing in the Power of the Spirit

The Lenten Prayer over the People
Bow down before the Lord.

Song

The congregation is sent out with these words:
Let us bless the Lord.

The people respond:
Thanks be to God.

The Rt. Rev. Kee Sloan, Bishop of Alabama
The Rev. Dr. Glenda S. Curry, Rector
The Rev. Charles Youngson, Associate Rector
The Rev. Seth Olson, Associate Rector
The Rev. Michael Cleckler, Priest Associate
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