

Help us, Father, to love one another, as we look forward to that day when suffering is ended, and all creation is gathered in your loving arms.

And now with all your saints we give you glory, through Jesus Christ, in the strength of the Spirit, today and forever. **Amen.**

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

**Though we are many, we are one body, because we share in one bread.**

#### The Lord's Prayer

**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.**

**Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.**



#### Thank you prayer

**Lord, we have broken your bread and received your life. By the power of your Spirit keep us always in your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Hymn

#### Blessing

A prayer of blessing from the priest.

#### Grace

May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ

*(hold out your hands as if taking a present)*

And the love of God *(give yourself a hug)*

And the fellowship of the Holy Spirit

*(reach out your hands to someone)*

Be with us all, now and forever, Amen! *(raise hands in the air)*

#### All Age Communion

The Lord be with you **and also with you**

The earth is the Lord's **and all that is in it**

Let us praise God **and worship**

Opening prayer and introduction to the service (either with a question to discuss or short comment.)

Hymn

We worship with Christians near and far, living and departed, old and young. God's word is for all of us.

**May it be a lamp to our feet and a light to our path. Amen.**

Lord, speak to us **that we may hear your word.**

Move among us **that we may behold your glory.**

Receive our prayers **that we may learn to trust you. Amen.**

#### Gloria

Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to the Father

**Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to the Father**

To God be glory forever **To God be glory forever**

Alleluia, Amen. **Alleluia, Amen. Alleluia, Amen. Alleluia, Amen.**

Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to Christ Jesus (as above)

Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to the Spirit (as above)

#### Readings or dramatic reading

For the Word of the Lord, **Thanks be to God.**

#### Talk

The Creed Let us declare our faith in God.

**We believe in God the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named.**

**We believe in God the Son, who lives in our hearts through faith, and fills us with his love.**

**We believe in God the Holy Spirit, who strengthens us with power from on high.**

**We believe in one God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

Hymn

Prayer for ourselves

**Dear God we want to follow you.**

When we let you down

**Forgive us and fill us with your love.**

When we are greedy

**Forgive us and fill us with your love.**

When we want to do things our way instead of yours

**Forgive us and fill us with your love.**

Dear God we want to follow you

**Forgive us and fill us with your love.**

Words of forgiveness.

Prayer for others

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Peace

God is love and those who live in love live in God and God lives in them. The peace of the Lord be always with you **and also with you.**

Hymn

With this bread we bring. **We shall remember Jesus.**

The Great Thanksgiving

Is the Father with us?

**God is.**

Is Christ among us?

**God is.**

Is the Spirit here?

**God is.**

This is our God

**Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**

We are his family

**We are redeemed.**

Lift up your hearts

**We lift them unto the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give thanks and praise.**

*Why is it right to give thanks and praise?*

**Listen and we will hear.**



Lord of all life, you created the universe, where all living things reflect your glory. You give us this great and beautiful earth, to discover and to cherish. You give us the fish in the sea, the birds of the air, and every plant and tree; the life that sleeps in the winter earth, and awakens again in the spring.

You made us all, each wonderfully different, to join with the angels and sing your praise:

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of Power and might,**

**Heaven and earth are full of your glory,**

**Hosannah in the highest.**

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

**Hosannah in the highest.**

We thank you, loving Father because, when we turned away, you sent Jesus, your Son. He gave his life for us on the cross and shows us the way to live.

Send your Holy Spirit that these gifts of bread and wine may be for us Christ's body and his blood.

*Why do we share this bread and wine?*

**Listen and we will hear.**

On the night before he died, when darkness had fallen, Jesus took bread. He gave thanks, broke it, and shared it with his disciples, saying:

'This is my body, given for you. Do this to remember me.'

After they had eaten, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and shared it with his disciples, saying:

'This is my blood, poured out for you and for many, for the forgiveness of sins.'

So Father, with this bread and this cup we celebrate his love, his death, his risen life. As you feed us with these gifts, send your Holy Spirit, and change us more and more to be like Jesus our Saviour.

*How do we follow Jesus Christ?*

**Listen and we will hear.**