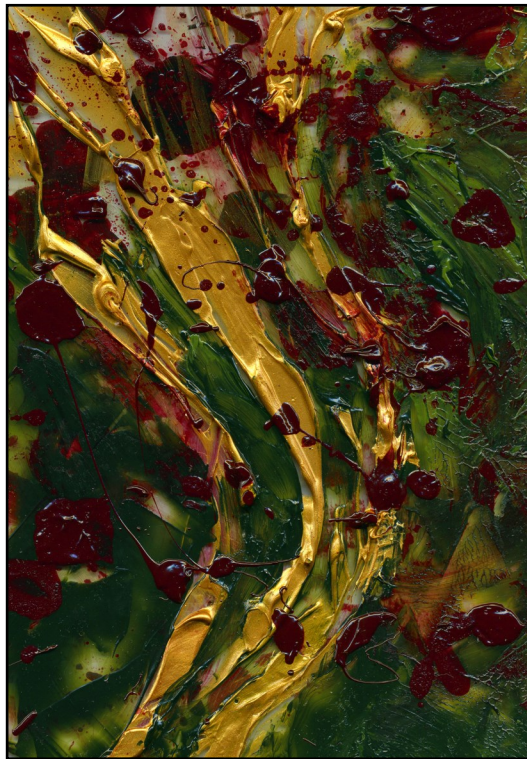




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THE ENTRANCE RITE

Book Of Common Prayer, pp. 355-60

Gathering Prayer is a 10-minute silent period from 9.45am until the Prelude for individual centering prayer to bring us closer to God, be reminded that God's first language is silence, and to be prepared to share in singing his praises at the start of the service at 10 o'clock.

In the Episcopal Church, the Prelude typically refers to a piece of music that is played immediately before the beginning of a service and generally reflects the theme, liturgical season, or occasion of the day.

Gathering Prayer

Be silent Be still Say nothing Before God.

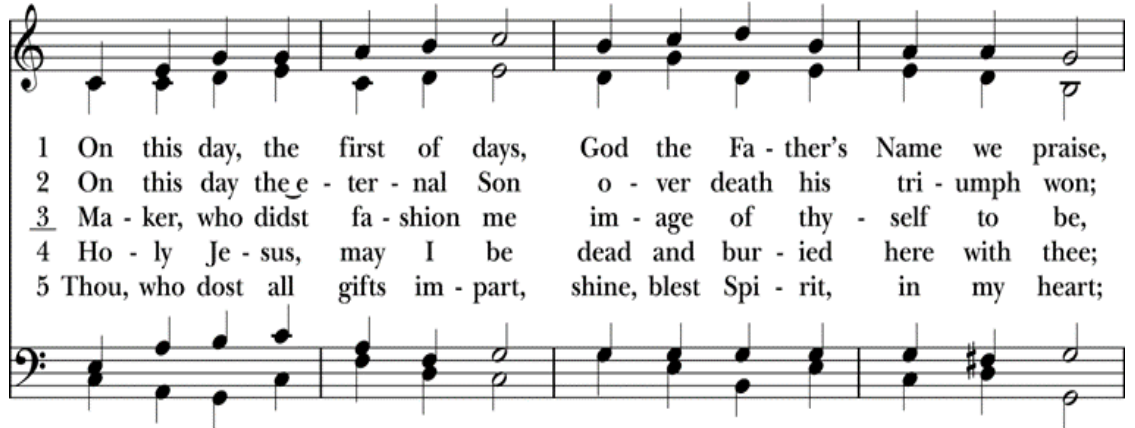
The Prelude

'I Know that My Redeemer Lives'

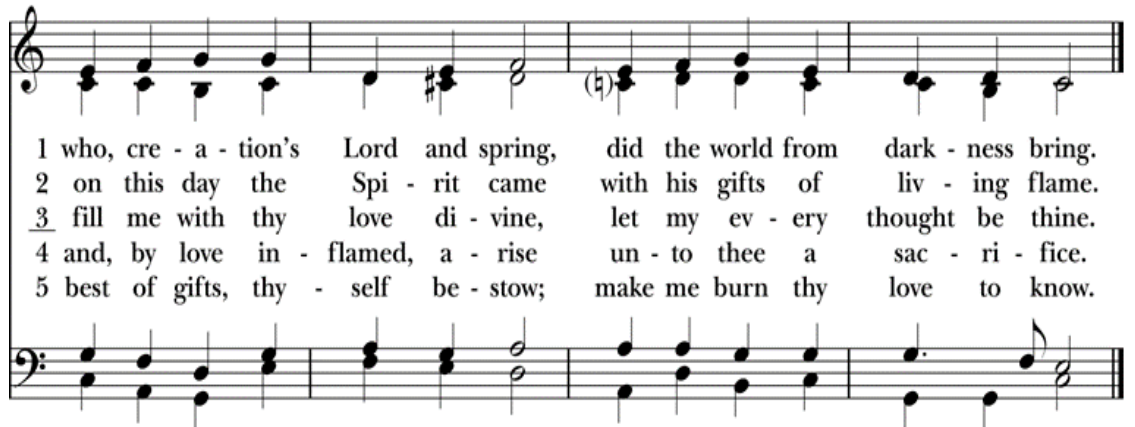
M. Burkhardt

(Please stand)

The Processional Hymn 'On This Day, the First of Days' - Hymn 47 (H-1982)



1 On this day, the first of days, God the Fa - ther's Name we praise,
2 On this day the e - ter - nal Son o - ver death his tri - umph won;
3 Ma - ker, who didst fa - shion me im - age of thy - self to be,
4 Ho - ly Je - sus, may I be dead and bur - ied here with thee;
5 Thou, who dost all gifts im - part, shine, blest Spi - rit, in my heart;



1 who, cre - a - tion's Lord and spring, did the world from dark - ness bring.
2 on this day the Spi - rit came with his gifts of liv - ing flame.
3 fill me with thy love di - vine, let my ev - ery thought be thine.
4 and, by love in - flamed, a - rise un - to thee a sac - ri - fice.
5 best of gifts, thy - self be - stow; make me burn thy love to know.

6 God, the blessed Three in One,
dwell within my heart alone;
thou dost give thyself to me:
help me give myself to thee.

Words: Latin; tr. Henry Williams Baker (1821-1877), alt. Music: *Gott sei Dank*, melody from *Geistreiches Gesangbuch*, 1704; adapt. and harm. William Henry Havergal (1793-1870), alt.

Opening Bidding and Acclamation

✠ We meet in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

People Amen.

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Worship begins with God. God takes the initiative, calling us together. Our first act of public worship, then, is to heed God's call and to join with others in praising Him. These words remind us that our worship centers in God, not in ourselves.

Sometimes called a *Prayer of Illumination*, this *Collect* asks that the *Holy Spirit* open our minds and our hearts to the *Word* so that we may not only hear but understand, believe and praise God.

The Collect for Purity

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.

People

Amen.

As a Trinitarian acclamation, the *Gloria* is an appropriate way to acknowledge with thanks and joy that we are the beneficiaries of the unmerited gift of God's grace and mercy.

Gloria in excelsis Deo

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace_____ to his peo-ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heav'n - ly
King, al - might - y___ God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you_ for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - - cy
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re -
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a-lone are the Ho - ly One,___
you a - lone___ are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most___
High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the
glo - ry of God_____ the Fa - ther. A - men.

In light of God's great saving work, this prayer asks God to help us serve him faithfully. 'Collect' is from the Latin 'collecta' meaning a gathering together.

At services in the ancient Jewish synagogue, a series of biblical lessons were read, a practice imitated in Christian worship from early times.

The Salutation and Collect

People The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Let us pray -
Almighty God,
whom truly to know is everlasting life:
grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ
to be the way, the truth, and the life,
that we may steadfastly follow his steps
in the way that leads to eternal life;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.

People Amen.

(Please sit)

The Lessons

The First Lesson

Acts 8:26-40

Philip and the Ethiopian eunuch.

An angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah.

Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over to this chariot and join it." So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" He replied, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him.

Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this: "Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter, and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth. In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth."

The eunuch asked Philip, "About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus.


As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, "Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?" He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him.

When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

People The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

For Jews and Christians, this ancient songbook of prayers is one of the primary resources for worship. They were also Jesus' prayers—recall his allusions various psalms throughout the Gospels, such as Psalm 22:1 in Matt. 27:46 and Mk. 15:34, Pss. 42:5, 11, and 43:5 in Matt. 26:38, Jn. 12:27. The psalms are emotive, repetitious, contradictory, earthy, angry and full of wonder at simple things.

The Psalm Psalm 22:24-30

Refrain
 Mode 1 

Make known the sav - ing deeds that God has done.

24. My praise is of him in the great as - sem - bly; I will perform my vows
 in the presence of those who wor - ship him. 25. The poor shall eat and be satisfied,
 and those who seek the Lord shall praise him: "May your heart live for ev - er!" **Refrain**

26. All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord,
 and all the families of the nations shall bow be - fore him.

27. For kingship be - longs to the Lord; he rules o - ver the na - tions.

28. To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in wor - ship;
 all who go down to the dust fall be - fore him. **Refrain**

29. My soul shall live for him; my de - scen - dants shall serve him;
 they shall be known as the Lord's for ev - er.

30. They shall come and make known to a peo - ple yet un - born
 the saving deeds that he has done. **Refrain**

The Second Lesson (often one of the Epistles) is usually read in sequence, and the readings from the Jewish Scriptures are related to either the Gospel or the Epistle readings.

The Second Lesson 1 John 4:7-21

God is love.

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins.

Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us.

By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. So we have known and believe the love that God has for us.

God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgment, because as he is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love.

We love because he first loved us. Those who say, "I love God," and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

(Please stand)

The Gradual Hymn 'When Jesus Left His Father's Throne' - Hymn 480 (H-1982)



1 When Je - sus left his Fa - ther's throne, he chose an hum - ble birth;
2 Sweet were his words and kind his look, when mo - thers round him pressed;
3 When Je - sus in - to Zi - on rode, the chil - dren sang a - round;



like us, un - hon - ored and un - known, he came to dwell on earth.
their in - fants in his arms he took, and on his bos - om blessed.
for joy they plucked the palms and strowed their gar - ments on the ground.



Like him may we be found be - low, in wis - dom's path of peace;
Safe from the world's al - lur - ing harms, be - neath his watch - ful eye,
Ho - san - na our glad voic - es raise, ho - san - na to our King!



like him in grace and know - ledge grow as years and strength in - crease.
thus in the cir - cle of his arms may we for ev - er lie.
Should we for - get our Sa - vior's praise, the stones them - selves would sing.

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The reading from the Gospels, the climactic reading, has attracted special ceremonies, such as standing, at least as far back as the late fourth century. The reading of the Gospel and the book itself symbolize the presence of Christ in the liturgy of the word just as the Eucharistic prayer and the Eucharistic elements symbolize His presence in the liturgy of the altar.

The sermon may teach; it may even be therapeutic; it may offer a more profound knowledge of the biblical text, but these are all side effects, not the main point of preaching. Though the reading and preaching of the Word are not a sacrament, it is sacramental. That is to say, by reading and preaching, Christ does indeed become present to the congregation, just as He becomes present in the celebration of the Eucharist.

The Nicene Creed is a statement of belief widely used in Christian liturgy. It is called Nicene because it was originally adopted in the city of Nicaea (present-day Iznik, Turkey) by the First Council of Nicaea in 325. In 381, it was amended at the First Council of Constantinople, and the amended form is referred to as the Nicene or the Niceno-Constantinopolitan Creed. It defines Nicene Christianity. The Oriental Orthodox and Assyrian churches use this profession of faith with the verbs in the original plural ("we believe"), but the Eastern Orthodox and Catholic churches convert those verbs to the singular ("I believe"). The Anglican and many Protestant denominations generally use the singular form, sometimes the plural.

The Holy Gospel

John 15:1-8

People

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Alleluia, alleluia.

Remain in me as I remain in you, says the Lord.
Whoever remains in me will bear much fruit.

People

Alleluia, alleluia.

✠ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to his disciples, "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me.

I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples."

People

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

(Please sit)

The Sermon

(Please stand)

The Nicene Creed

People

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
✠ We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come.
Amen.

(Please kneel)

The BCP uses the title "Prayers of the People" for the oratio fidelium or general intercessions in the Eucharist. Such prayers have a long and venerable history. Their existence was first mentioned by Justin Martyr about the year 150, and for centuries they formed a vital part of the Daily Office and Eucharistic liturgy. In the early church they usually included a long series of biddings that were chanted by a deacon, to each of which the people responded with Kyrie eleison.

An intercession is a prayer for another or others. Intercession "brings before God the needs of others" (BCP, p. 857). It is one of the seven principal kinds of prayer (BCP, p. 856).

The Confession of Sin is the corporate acknowledgement of our sin (missing the mark) and our desire to live into the fullness of God's call for us.

In the Absolution the priest proclaims God's abundant grace and declares forgiveness to all.

The Prayers of the People

The Parish Prayer

People

Gracious Father,
your loving providence
has brought us into the sacred fellowship of this parish.
Help us to praise you with such holy worship;
serve you with unselfish love;
and to give so generously for the spread of your kingdom
that we may be worthy members
of the one holy catholic and apostolic Church,
faithfully fulfilling our mission:
to make known your truth,
help the needy
and proclaim the abundant life in your name.
This we pray through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
Amen.

The Intercessions

The Confession of Sin

People

We pray also for the forgiveness of our sins.
Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
in your compassion forgive us our sins,
known and unknown,
things done and left undone;
and so uphold us by your Spirit
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of your Name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

The Absolution

✠ Almighty God have mercy on you,
forgive you all your sins
through our Lord Jesus Christ,
strengthen you in all goodness,
and by the power of the Holy Spirit
keep you in eternal life.
Amen.

People

(Please stand)

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

People

(We greet one another in the name of the Lord)

The Offertory Hymn 'Lord, I Want to be a Christian' - Hymn 138 (LEVAS)

1. Lord, I want to be a Chris-tian In my heart, In my heart;—
 2. Lord, I want to be more lov - ing In my heart, In my heart;—
 3. Lord, I want to be more ho - ly In my heart, In my heart;—
 4. I don't want to be like Ju - das In my heart, In my heart;—
 5. Lord, I want to be like Je - sus In my heart, In my heart;—

1. Lord, I want to be a Chris-tian In my heart, _____
 2. Lord, I want to be more lov - ing In my heart, _____
 3. Lord, I want to be more ho - ly In my heart, _____
 4. I don't want to be like Ju - das In my heart, _____
 5. Lord, I want to be like Je - sus In my heart, _____

In my heart, _____ In my heart, _____
 In my heart, _____ In my heart, _____

1. Lord, I want to be a Chris-tian In my heart. _____
 2. Lord, I want to be more lov - ing In my heart. _____
 3. Lord, I want to be more ho - ly In my heart. _____
 4. I don't want to be like Ju - das In my heart. _____
 5. Lord, I want to be like Je - sus In my heart. _____

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The Offertory Blessing

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation.
Through your goodness we have these gifts to share.
Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory,
the splendor and the majesty;
for everything in heaven and on earth is yours.
All things come from you and of your own do we give to you.

People ✕ Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation.
Through your goodness we have this bread to offer,
which earth has given and human hands have made.
For us it becomes the bread of heaven.

People ✕ Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation.
Through your goodness we have this wine to offer,
fruit of the vine and work of human hands.
For us it becomes the cup of salvation.

People ✕ Blessed be God for ever.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Book of Common Prayer, pp. 361-66

Sursum Corda

People The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

People Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

People Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Eucharistic Preface

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
always and everywhere to give you thanks,
almighty and eternal Father,
and in these days of Easter to celebrate with joyful hearts
the memory of your wonderful works.

For by the mystery of his passion,
Jesus Christ, your risen Son,
has conquered the powers of death
and restored in us the image of your glory.

And so, in the joy of this Passover,
earth and heaven resound with gladness;
while angels and archangels and the powers of all creation
sing for ever the hymn of your glory:

In the words of the Sursum Corda (meaning 'lift up your hearts') we give thanks for the life, death and resurrection of Christ, in whom and through whom creation is restored in God's perfect likeness and all creation is united to God and each other. The consecratory prayer concludes with the Great AMEN.

The Eucharistic Preface to begin the Eucharistic Prayer expresses the great richness of the liturgical seasons - Advent, Christmas, Epiphany, Lent, and so on. They are theological lyrics, sometimes of great beauty.

In the Sanctus we join with saints and angels and all of creation in a song of praise and thanksgiving to God.

Sanctus and Benedictus

People

Ho - ly ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and
 might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry, Ho -
 san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

(Please kneel)

Words of Institution

Jesus did four important things when he shared bread with the disciples: he took bread, blessed it, broke it, and gave it. And after he rose from the dead, the disciples recognized Jesus by these same four actions. He did the same when he fed the crowd of five thousand people who had heard him come to preach (Matt. 14).

Holy and gracious Father:
 in your infinite love you made us for yourself, and,
 when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death,
 you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ,
 your only and eternal Son,
 to share our human nature,
 to live and die as one of us,
 to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross,
 and offered himself, in obedience to your will,
 a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death,
 our Lord Jesus Christ took bread;
 and when he had given thanks to you,
 he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, 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;
 and when he had given thanks,
 he gave it to them, 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."

The Memorial Acclamation

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People

Christ has died.
 Christ is risen.
 Christ will come again.

These Words of Institution ("Do this for the remembrance of me") are addressed not to the congregation, but to God. This is not a re-enactment of the Last Supper, but a prayer to God.

The Memorial Acclamation follows the Institution narrative - the words Jesus used at the Last Supper over bread and wine. It is our response to God's coming to dwell among us, particularly in the transformation of bread and wine into Christ's Body and Blood.

The Epiclesis is a liturgical invocation of the Holy Spirit for the purpose of consecrating the Eucharistic elements. It follows the Words of Institution and is regarded as the point at which the eucharistic bread and wine become the body and blood of Christ.

Epiclesis

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

- ✠ Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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.

People

The Lord's Prayer

The Lord's Prayer forms the natural climax of our participation in Christ's self-offering. Our corporate recitation binds us together at a focal point in the celebration and expresses our unity with one another in Christ.

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

People

The Fraction

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us. Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

People

Agnus Dei

People

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,
you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

Bread is broken in order to be shared. Symbolically Christians have seen in the breaking of the bread a reminder of the Lord's body broken on the cross and of our own need to be broken in order both to share in the life of Christ and to share that life with others.

Agnus Dei is the Latin name under which the "Lamb of God" is honored within the Eucharist and, by extension, other Christian liturgies descending from the Latin tradition.

Ecce Agnus Dei ('Behold the Lamb of God') was spoken by John the Baptist immediately before he baptized Christ.

Ecce Agnus Dei

People

✠ Behold the Lamb of God,
behold him who takes away the sins of the world.
Happy are we who are called to his supper.
Lord, I am not worthy to receive you;
but speak the word only and my soul shall be healed.

The Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.
Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you,
and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.
Come.

(Please kneel)

The final part of Holy Communion proclaims our going out. Unlike all other prayers in the service, here we proclaim our readiness to go out into the world to love and to serve God. Nourished with the body and blood of Christ, we are ready to do God's work in the world.

The Post-communion Prayer

People

Let us pray -
Almighty and everliving God,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.

And now, Father, send us out to do the work
you have given us to do,
to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever.
Amen.

The Blessing

The Blessing is not a closing prayer but God's blessing pronounced by the priest on the congregation as it is about to leave. We go out to meet joys and obligations, pleasures and troubles, secure in the shelter of God's trustworthy Word, and strong in its power.

People

The peace of God,
which passes 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 Spirit,
be upon you and all those whom you love,
now and for ever.
Amen.

(Please sit)

Welcome, Parish Announcements

(Please stand)

The Recessional Hymn 'God is Love, Let Heaven Adore Him' - Hymn 379 (H-1982)

1 God is Love, let heaven a - dore him; God is Love, let
 2 God is Love; and Love en - folds us, all the world in
 3 God is Love; and though with blind-ness sin af - flicts all

earth re - joice; let cre - a - tion sing be - fore him
 one em - brace: with un - fail - ing grasp God holds us,
 hu - man life, God's e - ter - nal lov - ing - kind - ness

and ex - alt him with one voice. God who laid the earth's found -
 ev - ery child of ev - ery race. And when hu - man hearts are
 guides us through our earth - ly strife. Sin and death and hell shall

da - tion, God who spread the heaven a - bove, God who breathes through
 break - ing un - der sor - row's i - ron rod, then we find that
 nev - er o'er us fi - nal tri - umph gain; God is Love, so

all cre - a - tion: God is Love, e - ter - nal Love.
 self - same ach - ing deep with - in the heart of God.
 Love for ev - er o'er the u - ni - verse must reign.

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The term 'Dismissal' comes from the Latin *ite, missa est*, "Go, it is the sending."

Postlude is the lesser-known counterpart to "prelude". At the root of both terms is the Latin verb 'ludere' ("to play"), and a postlude is essentially "something played afterward."

The Dismissal

People

Let us bless the Lord
 Thanks be to God.
 Alleluia. Alleluia.

The Postlude

'Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee'

D. Hustad



TRINITY *Episcopal* CHURCH GULPH MILLS

WELCOME TO TRINITY

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. Everyone at Trinity welcomes you and rejoices in sharing together. For more than a century this congregation from Gulph Mills, King of Prussia and Conshohocken has been worshipping, celebrating, and serving this community. We hope you will come again and join us in our faith-inspired hospitality and discipleship.

OUR CALLING

Trinity welcomes all, gathering in faith, serving in love, and proclaiming the abundant life with hope through Jesus Christ.

OUR VALUES

Trinity is a church that values: reverent sacramental worship, gracious hospitality and care, generous and spontaneous outreach and comprehensive Christian formation.

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

We hold before God our parish, praying especially for those who are sick, homebound, or in pastoral need – Lorna Nixon, Patty McBride, and Fatima Wall.

We also remember in our prayers relatives and friends in need – Ronald James Spence, Beverly Hamilton, Patrick Prante, Brody Matthew Beasley, David Shoemaker, and Beth Hanna.

LAY LEADERS

	<i>Today</i>	<i>Next Sunday</i>
Usher	Barb Linnenbaugh	Bill McGary
Acolyte/Crucifer	Julie Moore	Julie Moore
Lector - The First Lesson	Marie Robson	Sr Kathie
Lector - The Second Lesson	Dick Stacy	Julie Moore

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