



Choral Eucharist

Easter Season

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Order of Service

The Gathering

Processional Hymn

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

All **Amen.**

The Greeting

(Either)

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you

All **and also with you.**

(or)

The Lord be with you

All **and also with you.**

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

All **He is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

Words of welcome may be said

The Confession

The Confession is introduced in these or other words

Deacon Christ our passover lamb has been sacrificed for us.
Let us therefore rejoice by putting away all malice and evil
and confessing our sins with a sincere and true heart.

1 Corinthians 5.7,8

Silence is kept

We confess our sins using these or other words

(Either)

Deacon Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
All **we have sinned against you,
through our own fault,
in thought, and word, and deed,
and in what we have left undone.
We are heartily sorry,
and repent of all our sins.
For your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,
forgive us all that is past;
and grant that we may serve you in newness of life
to the glory of your name.
Amen.**

(or)

Deacon Lord, have mercy.
All **Lord, have mercy.**

All Christ, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

Absolution

We receive words of forgiveness

President Almighty God,
who forgives all who truly repent,
have mercy upon you,
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in life eternal;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

The Gloria

The choir sings the Gloria, usually in one of the following forms

(Either)

Gloria in excelsis Deo
et in terra pax
hominibus bonae voluntatis.
Laudamus te, benedicimus te,
adoramus te, glorificamus te.
Gratias agimus tibi
propter magnam gloriam tuam.
Domine Deus, Rex caelestis,
Deus Pater omnipotens.
Domine Fili unigenite,
Jesu Christe.
Domine Deus, Agnus Dei,
Filius Patris,
qui tollis peccata mundi,
miserere nobis.
Qui tollis peccata mundi,
suscipe deprecationem nostram.
Qui sedes
ad dexteram Patris,
miserere nobis.

*Glory to God in the highest
and peace on earth
to those of good will.
We praise you, we bless you,
we worship you, we glorify you.
We give thanks to you
for your great glory.
O Lord God, heavenly King,
God the Father Almighty.
O Lord the only-begotten Son
Jesus Christ.
O Lord God, Lamb of God,
Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.
You that take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer.
You who are seated
at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy upon us.*

Quoniam tu solus sanctus,
tu solus Dominus,
tu solus Altissimus,
Jesu Christe, cum Sancto Spiritu,
in gloria Dei Patris. Amen.

For you alone are holy,
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.

(or)

Glory be to God on high,
and in earth peace, good will towards men.
We praise thee, we bless thee,
we worship thee,
we glorify thee,
we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,
O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesu Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,
have mercy upon us.
For thou only art holy;
thou only art the Lord;
thou only, O Christ,
with the Holy Ghost,
art most high in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

The Collect

Let us pray.

The Collect is said and we respond

All **Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Word

First Reading

At the end

This is the word of the Lord.
All **Thanks be to God.**

Anthem

The choir sings an anthem

Second Reading

At the end

This is the word of the Lord.
All **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Reading

Choir *Alleluia.*
All (sung) **Alleluia.**

The choir sings the Gospel sentence

All (sung) **Alleluia.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to *N.*
All (sung) **Glory to you, O Lord.**

At the end

This is the Gospel of the Lord.
All (sung) **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

After the sermon, there is a period of silence

The Creed

We affirm the Church's faith together

President We believe in one God,
All **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,
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and 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,
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and
glorified,
who 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.**

The Prayers of Intercession

Let us pray.

One of these responses may be used

All Lord, in your mercy (or) Lord, hear us.
hear our prayer. **Lord, graciously hear us.**

At the end

All Merciful Father,
accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples
and said, 'Peace be with you.'

Then were they glad when they saw the Lord. Alleluia.

John 20.19,20

All The peace of the Lord be always with you
and also with you.

Deacon Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Offertory Hymn

A hymn is sung during which a collection is taken and the altar is prepared for Communion

The Eucharistic Prayer

The President says the prayer of consecration

The opening dialogue may be said or sung

All The Lord be with you
and also with you.

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

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

The President prays the Eucharistic Preface which praises God

Then the choir sings the Sanctus in one of the following forms

(Either)

Sanctus Dominus Deus Sabaoth.
Pleni sunt coeli et terra gloria tua.
Hosanna in excelsis.

*Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.*

(or)

*Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:
heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord most high. Amen.*

The Eucharistic Prayer continues; the President asks God the Father to send the Holy Spirit and prays over the bread and wine, recalling Jesus' words at the Last Supper

This acclamation is used

Deacon Great is the mystery of faith:
All (sung) **Christ has died:**
Christ is risen:
Christ will come again.

The Eucharistic Prayer continues, and ends in one of the following ways

(Either)

...for ever and ever.

All **Amen.**

(or)

...in songs of everlasting praise:

All (sung) **Blessing and honour and glory and power
be yours for ever and ever.
Amen.**

Silence is kept

The Lord's Prayer

All As our Saviour taught us, so we pray
**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.**

The Breaking of the Bread

The President breaks the consecrated bread, saying

(Either)

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

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

(or)

Every time we eat this bread
and drink this cup,

All **we proclaim the Lord's death
until he comes.**

The Agnus Dei may be sung in these or other words

(Either)

All (sung) **Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.
Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.
Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us peace.**

(or)

*O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.*

*O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
grant us thy peace.*

The Invitation

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

All **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Communion is distributed. Those who are participating remotely may wish to say this prayer

Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ, for all the benefits you have given me, for all the pains and insults you have borne for me. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I ask you to come spiritually into my heart. O most merciful redeemer, friend and brother, may I know you more clearly, love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly, day by day. Amen.

after the Prayer of St Richard of Chichester

During Communion the choir may sing the Agnus Dei and/or an anthem, then silence is kept

Post Communion Prayer

A prayer is said, to which we respond

All Amen.

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The Dismissal

The Blessing

All The Lord be with you
and also with you.

The God of peace,
who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus,
that great shepherd of the sheep,
through the blood of the eternal covenant,
make you perfect in every good work to do his will,
working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

All **Amen.**

Hymn

The Dismissal

Deacon Go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

All **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Organ Voluntary



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