

¶ The Gathering

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

Amen.

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Hymn (Stand)

**Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hidden:
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.**

Prayers of Penitence

Summary of the Law

Our Lord Jesus Christ said:

The first commandment is this:

'Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is the only Lord.

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart,
with all your soul, with all your mind,
and with all your strength.'

The second is this: 'Love your neighbour as yourself.'

There is no other commandment greater than these.

On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

Amen. Lord, have mercy.

Prayer of Confession

*A sentence of scripture is read
as an invitation to confess our sins.*

(Kneel)

Let us admit to God the sin which always confronts us.

**Lord God,
we have sinned against you;
we have done evil in your sight.
We are sorry and repent.
Have mercy on us according to your love.
Wash away our wrongdoing
and cleanse us from our sin.
Renew a right spirit within us
and restore us to the joy of your salvation,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

The president declares God's forgiveness in the words of the Absolution

Kyrie Eleison

Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy

After a period of silent prayer the Collect of the Day is said.

. . . one God, now and forever.
Amen.

¶ The Liturgy of the Word

Sit for the Readings

Readings from the Bible are chosen according to the Revised Common Lectionary, which follows a three-year cycle beginning in Advent.

*The First Reading is usually from the Old Testament
At the end the reader says*

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

(A Gradual Psalm may be said between the Readings)

*The Second Reading is usually from the New Testament
At the end the reader says*

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

Hymn (Stand)

*The Gospel is introduced by a sentence of scripture
with a special Lenten response.*

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.
Sentence of scripture
Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to N.
Glory to you, O Lord.

At the end
This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon (Sit)

The Nicene Creed

Let us declare our faith in God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
(Stand)

**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,
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.**

Prayers of Intercession (*Kneel*)

The prayers usually include these concerns and may follow this sequence:

The Church of Christ

Creation, human society, the Sovereign and those in authority

The local community

Those who suffer

The communion of saints

These responses may be used

Lord, in your mercy
hear our prayer.

or Lord, hear us.

Lord, graciously hear us.

At the end

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

We now **Stand** for the Peace



¶ The Liturgy of the Sacrament

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

All may exchange a sign of peace.

Offertory Hymn

The Eucharistic Prayer (**Stand**)

The Lord is here.

His Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give thanks and praise.

The president praises God for his mighty acts and all respond

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

The president recalls the Last Supper

Christ is the bread of life:

**When we eat this bread
and drink this cup,
we proclaim your death,
Lord Jesus,
until you come in glory.**

*The Prayer continues and leads into
the doxology, to which all respond boldly*

Amen. (*Kneel for the Lord's Prayer*)

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,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

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

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

Agnus Dei is said or sung as the bread is broken

**Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world,
grant us peace.**

The president says the invitation to communion; this prayer is said:

**Most merciful Lord,
your love compels us to come in.
Our hands were unclean,
our hearts were unprepared;
we were not fit
even to eat the crumbs from under your table.
But you, Lord, are the God of our salvation,
and share your bread with sinners.
So cleanse and feed us
with the precious body and blood of your Son,
that he may live in us and we in him;
and that we, with the whole company of Christ,
may sit and eat in your kingdom. Amen.**

At Saint Leonard's all are welcomed at the Altar.

*If you are visiting and would receive Communion in your own Church,
please join with us today.*

All, including children, may come forward for a prayer of blessing.

Hymns may be sung; Silence is kept.

Prayer after Communion (*Kneel*)

*The President says the post communion prayer of the day.
We then pray together:*

**Father of all,
we give you thanks and praise,
that when we were still far off
you met us in your Son and brought us home.
Dying and living, he declared your love,
gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory.
May we who share Christ's body live his risen life;
we who drink his cup bring life to others;
we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world.
Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,
so we and all your children shall be free,
and the whole earth live to praise your name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

¶ The Dismissal

Hymn (*Stand*)

Blessing

A seasonal Blessing is said, ending:

. . .and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

The ministers and people depart.