ORDERS FOR MORNING AND EVENING WORSHIP

SECOND ORDER OF SERVICE

PRAISE

All Stand, and the minister says: Let us worship God

The minister may read one or more verses from the Bible, such as the following:

God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.

John 4:24

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Romans 1:7

This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Psalms 118:24

Grace, mercy and peace will be with us from God the Father and from Jesus Christ, the Father's Son, in truth and love. II John 3

Let everyone who is thirsty come. Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift. Revelation 22:17

The Lord is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth.

Psalms 145:18

Evening:

From the rising of the sun to its setting the name of the Lord is to be praised. Psalms 113:3

God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. But if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin.

I John 1:5.7

Advent:

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.

Philippians 4:4-6

Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes.

Luke 12:37

Thus says the Lord: Maintain justice, and do what is right, for soon my salvation will come, and my deliverance be revealed. Isaiah 56:1

The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners - of whom I am the foremost. I Timothy 1:15

See, the Lord God comes with might, and his arm rules for him; his reward is with him, and his recompense before him. Isaiah 40:10

See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight - indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts.

Malachi 3:1

How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of the messenger who announces peace, who brings good news, who announces salvation.

Isaiah 52:7

Christmas:

Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those, whom he favours!

Do not be afraid; for see - I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, who is the Messiah, the Lord.

Luke 2:10-11

For a child has been born for us, a son given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

Isaiah 9:6

New Year's Eve:

Now to him who is able to keep you from falling, and to make you stand without blemish in the presence of his glory with rejoicing, to the only God our Saviour, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, power, and authority, before all time and now and for ever. Amen Jude 24-25

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and for ever. Hebrews 13:8

New Year's Day:

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

Revelation 1:4-5

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change, though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea.

Psalms 46:1,2

Those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

Isaiah 40:31

Epiphany:

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.

Isaiah 60:1

For from the rising of the sun to its setting my name is great among the nations, and in every place incense is offered to my name, and a pure offering; for my name is great among the nations, says the Lord of hosts.

Malachi 1:11

Lent:

Rend your hearts and not your clothing. Return to the Lord, your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and relents from punishing.

Joel 2:13

Jesus said: "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me."

Mark 8:34

He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed.

I Peter 2:24

Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases; yet we accounted him stricken, struck down by God, and afflicted. But he was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the punishment that made us whole, and by his bruises we are healed.

Isaiah 53:4,5

Jesus is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

I John 2:2

Christ suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his, steps. I Peter 2:21

Palm Sunday:

Rejoice greatly, 0 daughter Zion! Shout aloud, 0 daughter Jerusalem! Lo, your king comes to you; triumphant and victorious is he, humble and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

Zechariah 9:9

Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!

Matthew 21:9

The Lord has proclaimed to the end of the earth: Say to daughter Zion, "See, your salvation comes; his reward is with him, and his recompense before him."

Good Friday:

The Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.

Mark 10:45

Worthy is the Lamb that was slaughtered to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honour and glory and blessing! Revelation 5: 12

Easter:

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

I Peter 1:3,4

Death has been swallowed up in victory. Where, 0 death .is your victory? Where, 0 death is your sting? The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

I Corinthians 15:54-57

I am the first and the last, and the living one. I was dead, and see, I am alive forever and ever; and I have the keys of Death and of Hades.

Revelation 1:17.18

Ascension:

Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. Hebrews 4:14,16

So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God.

Colossians 3:1

Pentecost:

Because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!"

Galatians 4:6

When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. John 16:13 God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

Romans 5:5

Trinity Sunday:

0 the depth of the riches and wisdom, and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways! For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be the glory forever. Amen.

Romans 11:33,36

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory.

Harvest Festival:

The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, the world, and those who live in it.

Psalms 24:1

Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise. Give thanks to him, bless his name.

Psalms 100:4

Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; bring an offering, and come into his courts. Worship the Lord in holy splendour; tremble before him, all the earth. Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice; let the sea roar, and all that fills it; let the field exult, and everything in it. Then shall all the trees of the forest sing for joy.

Psalms 96:8,9,11,12

Anniversary:

What shall I return to the Lord for all his bounty to me? I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord, I will pay my vows to the Lord in the presence of all his people.

Psalms 116:12-14

Bless the Lord, 0 my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name. Bless the Lord, 0 my soul, and do not forget all his benefits.

Psalms 103:1.2

O sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth. Sing to the Lord, bless his name; tell of his salvation from day t o day.

Psalms 96:1.2

All Saints' Day::

Then I heard what seemed to be the voice of a great multitude, like the sound of many waters and like the sound of mighty thunder peals, crying out, "Hallelujah! For the Lord our God the Almighty reigns. Let us rejoice and exult and give him the glory.

Revelation 19:6,7

Any Saint:

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

Hebrews 12:1,2

National:

Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth.

Psalms 67:4

The CSI day:

Jesus said: The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me

John 17:22,23

In times of trouble::

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

Psalms 46:1

He Then says:

O Lord, open our lips:

And our mouth shall sing forth your praise

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. AMEN.

One of the following may be said or sung. Or a hymn or lyric of praise may be sung.

ADORATION OF THE TRINITY

Holy, holy, Lord God of hosts; heaven and earth are full of your glory; Glory be to you, O Lord most high.

Blessed is he who has come, and is to come in the name of the Lord: Hosanna in the highest.

Holy are you, O God:

Those on the left: Holy are you, O God.
Those on the right: Holy are you, OGod.

Holy are you, O Almighty:

Those on the left: Holy are you, O Almighty.

Those on the right: Holy are you, O Almighty.

Holy are you, O Immortal:

Those on the left: Holy are you, O Immortal.

Those on the right: Holy are you, O Immortal.

O Lord, our Redeemer, who was crucified for us, have mercy upon us:

Those on the left: O Lord, our Redeemer, who was crucified

for us, have mercy upon us.

Those on the right: O Lord, our Redeemer, who was crucified for

us, have mercy upon us.

O Lord, Holy Spirit, have mercy upon us:

Those on the left: O Lord, Holy Spirit, have mercy upon us.

Those on the right: O Lord, Holy Spirit, have mercy upon us.

O Lord, accept our prayers and praises and have mercy upon us:

All: O Lord, have compassion and mercy upon us.

The minister may say:

Praise be to you, 0 God the Father/Parent, who created all things by your power and wisdom, and loved the world as to give your Son to be our Saviour. Praise be to you, 0 God the Son, who was made human like us in all things, except sin, and was delivered for our offences and raised again for our justification. Praise be to you, 0 God the Holy Spirit, who does lead us into all truth, and does shed abroad the love of God in our hearts. All praise and glory be to you, 0 God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. **AMEN**

CONFESSION

The minister may read one or more verses from the Bible, such as the following:

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

I John 1:8-9

I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son" Luke 15:18-19

The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.

Mark 1:15

For we do not have a high priest who *is* unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who *in* every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin.

Hebrews 4:15

He then says:

Let us kneel and examine ourselves in silence

All kneel and are silent for a space. After this the minister says:

Let *us* humbly confess our sins to the almighty God.

All say one of the following:

Almighty and most merciful God; we have erred, and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too *much* the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against your holy laws. We have left undone those things, which we should have done; and we

have done those things, which we should not have done; and there is no health in us. But you, 0 Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare them 0 God, who confess their faults. Restore them that are penitent; according to your promises declared to humankind in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, 0 most merciful God, for his sake; that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous and sober life, to the glory of your holy name. AMEN

OR

Gracious God, we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed: we have not loved you with all our heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. Have mercy upon us, we ask you, cleanse us from our sins, and help us to overcome our faults; through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN

The minister says:

May the almighty and merciful Lord grant us pardon and remission for all our sins, time for amendment of life, and the grace and comfort of the Holy Spirit. **AMEN**

Or minister may say you and your instead of us and our.

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD OF GOD

All stand. The minister says:

Praise the Lord.

The Lord's name be praised.

One of the following psalms may be read responsively

Psalm 95:1-11

O come, let *us* sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!

For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods.

In his hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are his also.

The sea is his, for he made it, and the dry land, which his hands have formed.

O come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!

For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

O that today you would listen to his voice! Do not harden your hearts, as at Meribah, as on the day at Massah in the wilderness,

When your ancestors tested me, and put me to the proof, though they had seen my work.

For forty years I loathed that generation and said, "They are a people whose hearts go astray, and they do not regard my ways."

Therefore in my anger I swore, "They shall not enter my rest."

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. AMEN

OR

Psalm 100:1-5

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.

Worship the Lord with gladness; come into his presence with singing.

Know that the Lord is God. It is he that made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise. Give thanks to him, bless his name.

For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. AMEN

The psalm or psalms appointed for the day are said or sung (for the psalms for Sundays and Special days see the Lectionary; for the daily reading of the psalms see the table of Psalms for daily reading).

The minister and people may stand or sit for any of the Psalms and Songs.

The First Lesson

The First lesson is read from the Old Testament

One of the following is said or sung:

The Song of Zechariah or Benedictus (Luke 1:68-79)

Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for he has looked favourably on his people and redeemed them.

He has raised up a mighty Saviour for us in the house of his servant David,

As he spoke through the mouth of his holy prophets from of old, that we would be saved from our enemies and from the hand of all who hate us.

Thus he has shown the mercy promised to our ancestors, has remembered his holy covenant,

the oath that he swore to our ancestor Abraham, to grant us

that we, being rescued from the hands of our enemies, might serve him without fear,

in holiness and righteousness before him all our days.

And you, child, will be called the prophet of the Most High; for you will go before the Lord to prepare his ways,

to give knowledge of salvation to his people by the forgiveness of their sins. By the tender mercy of our God, the dawn from on high will break upon us,

to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the *way* of peace.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. AMEN

OR

The Song of the Three Young Men or benedicite

All things the Lord has made, bless the Lord: give glory and eternal praise to him

Angels of the Lord, all bless the Lord: give glory and eternal praise to him.

Heavens, bless the Lord: waters above the heavens, bless the Lord. Powers of the Lord, bless the Lord: sun and moon, bless the Lord.

Stars of heaven, bless the Lord: showers and dew, bless the Lord.

Winds of God, bless the Lord: ice and snow, bless the Lord.

Winter and summer, bless the Lord: cold and heat, bless the Lord.

Nights and days, bless the Lord: light and darkness, bless the Lord.

Lightning and clouds, bless the Lord: give glory and eternal praise to him.

Let the earth bless the Lord: give glory and eternal praise to him.

Mountains and hills, bless the Lord: all green things that grow on the earth, bless the Lord.

Springs of water, bless the Lord: seas and rivers, bless the Lord.

Fish and everything that moves in water, bless the Lord: birds of heaven, all bless the Lord.

Animals wild and tame, all bless the Lord: all men and women, bless the Lord

0 let Israel bless the Lord: give glory and eternal praise to him.

Priests of the Lord, bless the Lord: servants of the Lord, bless the Lord.

All that are upright in spirit, bless the Lord: all that are holy and humble in heart, bless the Lord.

Bless the Father, bless the Son, bless the Holy Spirit: give glory and eternal praise to him.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. AMEN

OR

The Song of the Virgin Mary or magnificat (Luke 1:46-55)

And Mary said, "My soul magnifies the Lord,

and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour,

for he has looked with favour on the lowliness of his servant. Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed;

for the Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his' name..

His mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation.

He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts.

He has brought down the powerful from their thrones, and lifted up the lowly; he has filled the hungry with good things, and sent the rich away empty. He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy,

according to the promise he made to our ancestors, to Abraham and to his descendants forever."

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. AMEN

The Second Lesson

The second lesson is read from the New Testament; or two lessons may be read, one from the Epistles or other books and one from the Gospels. One of the following is said or sung:

The Song of the Church or Te deum

We praise you 0 God, we acknowledge you to be the Lord.

All the earth worships you, the Father everlasting

To you all angels cry aloud: the heavens and all the powers therein.

To you cherubim and seraphim, continually do cry,

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabbath, heaven and earth are full of the majesty of your glory.

The glorious company of the apostles; praise you.

The godly fellowship of the prophets, praise you.

The white-robed army of martyrs, praise you.

The holy Church throughout the world, does acknowledge you.

The Father, of an infinite majesty, your adorable true and only Son Also the Holy Spirit, the Comforter.

You are the King of glory, 0 Christ; you are the everlasting Son of the Father.

When you became human to deliver humankind: you humbled yourself to be born of a virgin.

When you had overcome the sharpness of death: you opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers.

You sit at the right hand of God, in the glory of the Father.

We believe that you will come to be our judge.

We therefore pray, help your servant whom you have redeemed, with your precious blood.

May they be numbered with your saints in glory everlasting.

O Lord, save your people, and bless your heritage, govern them, and lift them up forever.

Day by day we magnify you, and we worship your name ever, world without end.

O lord, let your mercy alight upon us, as our trust is in you. 0 Lord, in you is my hope, let me never be confounded.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. AMEN

OR

The Song of Simeon or nunc dimittis (Luke 2:29-32)

Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word;

for my eyes have seen your salvation, -

which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples,

a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. AMEN

The Sermon

A hymn or lyric may be sung and a sermon may be preached

Creed

All stand and say or sing the Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, 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, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come 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

The Prayers

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

Let us pray

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Our Father in heaven, holy be your name. Your kingdom come; your will be done; on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For yours is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. AMEN

The minister and people may say or sing the following responsive petitions, or any other form may be used..

O Lord, show your mercy upon us;

And grant us your salvation.

Endow your ministers with righteousness;

And make your chosen people joyful. O

Lord, save your people;

And give your blessing to your Church.

O Lord, be gracious to our country;

And mercifully hear us when we call upon you.

O Lord, guide our leaders;

And give them wisdom from above.

Give peace to the world, 0 Lord;

And let your kingdom come on earth.

O Lord, make us mindful of all in trouble and distress;

And deliver those who are oppressed and marginalized.

O God, send your Holy Spirit upon us;

And make clean our hearts within us.

The minister says the Collect or Collects of the Day, and then one of the following:

The Collect for Peace

O God, who is the author of peace and lover of concord, in whose knowledge our eternal life stands, whose service is perfect freedom: defend us your humble servants in all assaults of evil; that we surely trusting in your defence, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. **AMEN**

OR

O God, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels and all just works do proceed, give your servants that peace which the world cannot give; that both our hearts may be set to obey your commandments, and also that by you we being defended from the fear of evil may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. **AMEN**

And at the Morning Worship one of the following:

The Collect for Grace

O Lord our Refuge, almighty and everlasting God, who has safely brought us to the beginning of this day: defend us in the same with your mighty power; and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger; but that all our doings may be ordered by your governance, to do always that which is righteous in your sight, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **AMEN**

OR

O almighty Lord, and everlasting God, vouchsafe, we ask you, to direct, sanctify, and govern both our hearts and bodies in the ways of your laws, and in the works of your commandments; that through your most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. **AMEN**

OR

Lord of all power and might, who is the Author and Giver of all good things; graft in our hearts the love of your name, increase in us true devotion, nourish us with all goodness, and of your great mercy keep us in the same, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **AMEN**

And at the **Evening Worship** one of the following:

The Collect for aid against all perils

Lighten our darkness, we ask you, 0 Lord; and by your great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of your only Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. **AMEN**

Be present, 0 merciful God, and protect us through the silent hours of this night, so that we, who are wearied by the changes and chances of this fleeting world, may repose upon your eternal changelessness; through Jesus Christ our Lord **AMEN**

A hymn or anthem may be sung.

Then follow occasional prayers and thanksgivings, liturgical or extempore, which shall always include a prayer for the nation and its leaders. For example, one of the litanies from the Order for the Lord's Supper may be said or sung.

The thanksgiving may include the General Thanksgiving:

God of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you most humble and hearty thanks for all your goodness and loving kindness to us, and to all people. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all, for your boundless love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we ask you, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up ourselves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our redeemer, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit be all honour and glory, *now* and for ever. AMEN

The prayers and thanksgivings may conclude with one of the following:

Almighty God, who has given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications to you; and does promise, that when two or three are gathered together in your name you will grant their requests: fulfill now, 0 Lord, the desires and petitions of your servants, as may be most expedient for them; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. **AMEN**

OR

O Lord, we ask you mercifully to receive the prayers of your people who call upon you; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they should do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfill the same; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **AMEN**

The announcements may be made.

A hymn may be sung while an offering is taken and is brought forward. The minister receives them and offers them to God with prayer in the name of the people. The minister may dedicate the offerings in his own words, or he may say:

O God, the Giver of all good gifts, we ask you graciously to accept this offering of your people, and so to bless it and them that peace and goodwill may abound throughout the world, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **AMEN**

OR

Eternal almighty and loving God, who has not spared your own Son, but delivered him up for us all, and who, with him, has freely given us all things; receive these offerings which we bring and dedicate to you; and enable us; with all our gifts, so to yield ourselves to you, that with body, soul, and spirit, we may truly and freely serve you, and in your service find our deepest joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **AMEN**

The minister dismisses the people with a blessing:

(The minister may say us or ourselves instead of you).

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of *you*. **AMEN.** I Corinthians 13:13

OR

Unto God's gracious mercy and protection, we commit you. The blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you and remain with you always. **AMEN**.

OR

The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace. **AMEN**Numbers 6:24

OR

To God the Father, who has made us and all the world; to God the Son, who has redeemed us and all humankind; to God the Holy Spirit, who sanctifies us, and all the elect people of God, be all the glory for ever and ever. **AMEN**.

OR

Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. **AMEN**.

Ephesians 3:20-21

Closing hymn & Recession

A hymn or lyric may be sung and the ministers go out carrying with them the Bible, the gifts of the people.

The Minister then prays, people standing. Then says:

Minister: The Lord be with you People: And also with you

Minister. Let us depart in peace

People: In the name of Christ. Amen

People may kneel, have silent prayer and quietly go out.