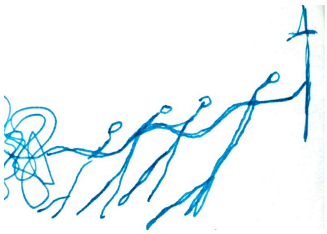
THE EMMAUS MANUAL *a simple life with this Good News*



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The Emmaus Manual *organizes Good News for the scattered mind, offering a simple path of scripture and prayer throughout the day so folks can receive Good News, stay with Good News, and work with Good News*

UNDERSTANDING THIS GOOD NEWS

I. WHAT THE GOOD NEWS

What is the Gospel and how do we live as if it's true?
The *Good News,* as simply as I know it can be said, is this:

That Christ died and rose for us.
That His Dying and Rising
is the free gift of Himself,
The victory over sin, death, and the devil,
and the only thing that makes things right,
The things between God, ourselves, and each other.

That is what the Good News is.
And this Good News is not just information,
but the light that reveals Him
It is the table He sets
And the bread by which He gives Himself to us

Because of this, we can say
Good News is how He draws us to Himself,
To all the good things Christ Himself is,
And the small good things we offer in His Name

We often can't make things right
Or figure things out, life often feels impossible,

and the way is blocked except for our share in Christ's own life,
and we share in Christ's own life by this Good News.

Put another way,
The victory over sin, death, and the devil
Is in His Death and Resurrection.
Christ died and rose for us
and we die and rise with Him
when we hear this Good News.

Part of what this Good News is is where this Good News comes from.
It is the Good News of what God has done in Christ.
It is a revelation of God the Father's own heart of Mercy
in the Death and Resurrection of the Son.
We have the love of God in the person of Christ.

His steadfast love, His involvement,
His power to make things right

II. WHAT THE GOOD NEWS MEANS FOR US

That is what the Good News *is*, and where it comes *from,*

but there is also *what this Good News means for us.*

The same Good News that reveals Jesus
And gives Jesus to us pours out the
The gifts we now have in His Name:
The forgiveness of sin and the gift of the Holy Spirit
The gifts by which we can say He is our God
And we are His people.
That is, we have
The power of His Forgiveness, through the work of His Spirit
And in the building of His Fellowship

The forgiveness of sins by which we die with Him,
the gift of the Holy Spirit by which we rise with Him.
By the power of His Forgiveness,
through the work ofHis Spirit,
We become a part of His Fellowship as we wait for His Return.

Victory over sin, death, and the devil
Is in His Death and Resurrection,
Christ died and rose for us, and we die and rise with Him
when we hear this Good News,
receiving the forgiveness of sin by which we die with Him
And and the gift of the Holy Spirit by which we rise with Him

Becoming a part of His Fellowship as we await His Return
The forgiveness of sins is not merely a transaction,
telling us we're no longer in trouble.
The forgiveness of sin is how He reveals Himself to us,
and gives Himself to us. It is who He is for us.
The forgiveness of sins is how we know Him
And how we are changed by Him most deeply.
By the forgiveness of sin we receive Christ
and are cleansed of pride and lies.
The forgiveness of sins is how we trust in Him most deeply.
The forgiveness of sins is the end of making things
On our own:
Instead we trust in the one who makes things right.

To receive the Forgiveness of Sins and the gift of the Holy Spirit and to be restored to His Fellowship is another way of Talking about Our Salvation. And Our Salvation is another Way of talking about how to be okay.

III. WHAT GOOD NEWS DOES TO US

The question is not only what the Good News is,
what it *means for us (our salvation),*
but also what *Good News does to us.*
In short, Good News gives us a New Heart

Christ died and rose for us, and we die and rise with Him
when we hear this Good News,
receiving the forgiveness of sin by which we die with Him
And the Holy Spirit by which we rise with Him
There is something in us that always wants to prove ourselves,
protect ourselves, to take things back and make things right
and get out of trouble. To get even and get out of trouble.
And the forgiveness of sins,
by which we know Him and are changed by Him
and by which we die with Him,
is the only thing that makes that thing let go of us.
The only thing that gives us this New Heart.
To be forgiven, and die with Him, then is to be rescued.
We are rescued by His Forgiveness.
And somehow His Forgiveness is the end
of trying to take things back and make things right.
Instead, we trust in the one who makes things right.

Good News doesn't change but it continues to change us

Good News changes us, gives us a New Heart,
And deepening the New Heart it give us.

A New Heart called faith, hope, love
Where Faith is the trust He rescues
Hope in the attention He leads
Love is the gift of ourselves in His Name.

Over time, we will experience slow growth
In faith, hope, and love,
Where Good News changes what we trust,
And what we trust changes what we pay attention to
And what we pay attention to changes what we want.

Put simply, whatever else it means that we die and rise with Him when we hear this Good News, it means we can be rescued by His Forgiveness, led by His Spirit, and given in His Name.
Or, put another way:
To follow because we've been forgiven, and become a friend
In the land of the living.

IV. WHERE GOOD NEWS IS TAKING US

Put passively, it is a New Heart called *rescued, led, given.*
But it not only gives a New Heart, but also gives
us a Way Forward called *daily worship.*
Good News is what makes the Christian life possible.
Because receiving Good News lets us stay with Good News
Lets us work with Good News

Each day,
We trust in Him by His Forgiveness,
Receiving this Good News, and this is called hearing
We trust Him with things through His Spirit,
Staying with this Good News, and this is called prayer
We entrust ourselves to others in His Name,
Working with this Good News,
And this is called offering.

Good News is what makes the Christian life possible
And this is the life that Good News makes possible:
The life it makes possible
Is the one where receiving Good News lets us stay
With Good News, let us work with Good News.
trusting in Him by His Forgiveness (hearing),
trusting Him with things through His Spirit (prayer)

Entrusting ourselves to others in His Name (offering)
If our old home was making things right.
Then our new home is to share in Christ's own life *by hearing,*
through prayer, and as an offering,
Because Good News is its own way forward,
Because receiving Good News lets us stay with Good News
Lets us work with Good News

Over time, and with this daily worship,
We can expect slow growth in faith, hope, and love
As Good News changes what we trust,
As what what trust changes what we pay attention to
And what we pay attention to changes what we want.
We learn that Good News is our shepherd,
The only thing that moves and changes us,
And leads us out of pride and lies,
Through trouble and loss,
Toward all the good things Christ Himself is,
And the small good things we offer in His Name.
The Emmaus Manual (a reimplementation of the Daily Office
from the 1979 Book of Common Prayer)
offers folks a simple life with this Good News,
A way for us to slowly learn that Good News only shepherd
and a simple life with this Good News is our new home.

MATINS *early morning*

But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the ages
To put away sin by the sacrifice of himself.
Christ has obtained a ministry
That is much more excellent than the old
As the covenant he mediates is better,
Since it is enacted on better promises
This makes Jesus the guarantor of a better covenant.
Now May the God of peace,
who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus,
the great shepherd of the sheep,
by the blood of the eternal covenant,
equip you with everything good that you may do his will,
working in you that which is pleasing in his sight;
through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever.

Therefore let us then with confidence
Draw near to the throne of grace,
That we may receive mercy and find grace to help
In time of need.
Looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith
Who, for the joy that was set before him,
endured the cross, despising the shame,
And is seated at the right hand of the throne of God

I. CONFESSION

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord,
whose trust is the Lord.
He is like a tree planted by water,
that sends out its roots by the stream,
and does not fear when heat comes,
for its leaves remain green,
and is not anxious in the year of drought,
for it does not cease to bear fruit." *Jeremiah 17:8*
I am like a green olive tree in the house of God
I trust in the mercy of God forever and ever.

OPENING PRAYER .

So faith comes from hearing,
and hearing through the word of Christ *Romans 10:17*
For there is one God,
and there is one mediator between God and men,
The man Christ Jesus, who gave himself as a ransom for all,
which is the testimony given at the proper time. *1 Timothy 2:5-6*
As for that in the good soil
They are those who, hearing the word,
Hold it fast with an honest and good heart
Bearing fruit with patience *Luke 8:15*

Have compassion on all who do not know you
as you are revealed in your Son Jesus Christ;
let your Gospel be preached with grace and power
to those who have not heard it;
turn the hearts of those who resist it;
and bring home to your fold those who have gone astray;
that there may be one flock under one Shepherd,
Jesus Christ our Lord.

With your constant love,
You led the people you redeemed,
You brought them in safety
To your holy dwelling.

Lord, have mercy
Christ, have mercy
Lord, have mercy

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 yourHoly Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name.
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Come Holy Ghost our souls inspire,
And lighten with celestial fire,
Enable with perpetual light,
The dulness of our blinded sight

And the Lord said,
"And I will betroth you to me forever.
I will betroth you to me in righteousness and in justice,
in steadfast love and in mercy.
I will betroth you to me in faithfulness.
And you shall know the LORD."
And they shall be my people, and I will be their God.
I will give them one heart and one way,
And I will put the fear of me in their hearts,
That they may not turn from me.
I will rejoice in doing them good,
And I will plant them in this land in faithfulness,
With all my heart and all my soul.
My dwelling place shall be with them,
and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

NEWNESS OF LIFE

In him you also were circumcised with a circumcision
Made without hands, by putting off the body of flesh,
By the circumcision of Christ,
Having been buried with him in baptism,
In which you were also raised with him through faith,

In the powerful working of God,
who raised him from the dead.

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
Put on the Lord Jesus Christ
And make no provision for the flesh
To gratify its desires
As you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk with Him,
Rooted and built up in Him, established in the faith.

The life I now live in the flesh I live by faith
In the son of God who loved me and gave Himself for me

The death that he died, he died to sin, once for all
But the life he lives, He lives to God,
So also consider yourselves dead to sin
and alive to God In Jesus Christ our Lord.

II. SCRIPTURE

The free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord
This is eternal life: that they know you the only true God
And Jesus Christ whom you have sent.
These are written
so that you may believe Jesus is the Christ the Son of God
And that by believing you may have life in His Name.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.
According to his great mercy,
he has caused us to be born again to a living hope
through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,
Everyone who believes in Him
Receive the forgiveness of sins through His name.
the righteousness of God
through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe.
Once you were not a people, now you are God's people
Once you had not received Mercy,
now you have received Mercy
For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your Souls.

O come let us sing unto the Lord,
Let us shout for joy to the rock of our salvation
Let us come into His presence with thanksgiving
And raise a loud shout to him with song,
For the Lord is a great God,
And a great king above all gods
In his hand are all the depths of all the earth
And the height of the hills are his also
The sea is His for He made it
And His hands have molded the dry land
O come let us fall down and bend the knee
And 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 hearken to His voice.

GOSPELS AND EPISTLES

God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

If while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life.

More than that, we also rejoice in God
through our Lord Jesus Christ,
through whom we have now received reconciliation.

Now I would remind you, brothers,
of the gospel I preached to you, which you received,
in which you stand, and by which you are being saved,
if you hold fast to the word I preached to you—
unless you believed in vain.
For I delivered to you as of first importance
what I also received: that Christ died for our sins
in accordance with the Scriptures,
that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures,
and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve.
Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers
at one time, most of whom are still alive,
though some have fallen asleep.
Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles.
Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me.
For I am the least of the apostles, unworthy to be called an apostle,
because I persecuted the church of God.
But by the grace of God I am what I am,
and his grace toward me was not in vain.
On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them,
though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me.
Whether then it was I or they
so we preach and so you believed.

In the beginning was the Word,
And the Word was with God, and the Word was God *John 1:1*

And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us,
and we have seen his glory,
glory as of the only Son from the Father,
full of grace and truth.
For from his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace.
For the law was given through Moses;
grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.
No one has ever seen God; God the only Son,
who is at the Father's side, he has made him known.

That which was from the beginning
Which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes
Which we looked upon and have touched with our hands
Concerning the word of life–
The life was made manifest, and we have seen it,
And testify to it and proclaim to you the eternal life
Which was with the Father and was made manifest to us–
That which we have seen and heard we proclaim also to you,
So that you too may have fellowship with us;
And indeed our fellowship is with the Father
And with his Son Jesus Christ and we are writing these things
so that our joy may be complete *1 John 1:1-4*
In this the love of God was made manifest among us,
That 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 propitiation for our sins.

For the grace of God has appeared,
bringing salvation for all people,
training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions,
and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives
in the present age, waiting for our blessed hope,
the appearing of the glory
of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ,
who gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness
and to purify for himself a people for his own possession
who are zealous for good works.
For all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God
And are justified by His grace as a gift
Through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus

The word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

CANTICLE
Arise, shine, for your light has come,
and the glory of the Lord has dawned upon you.
For behold, darkness covers the land;
deep gloom enshrouds the peoples.
But over you the Lord will rise,and his glory will appear upon you.
Nations will stream to your light,
and kings to the brightness of your dawning.
Your gates will always be open;

by day or night they will never be shut.
They will call you the City of the Lord,
The Zion of the Holy One of Israel.
Violence will no more be heard in your land,
ruin or destruction within your borders.
You will call your walls, Salvation, and all your portals, Praise.
The sun will no more be your light by day;
by night you will not need the brightness of the moon.
The Lord will be your everlasting light,
and your God will be your glory *THIRD SONG OF ISAIAH*

TE DEUM

You, O Christ, are the king of glory
The only Son of the Father,
When you took on flesh to set us free
You humbly chose the virgins womb,
You overcome the sting of death
And opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers
Come then Lord and help your people
Bought with the price of your own blood
And bring us with your saints
To glory everlasting.

III. PRAYER

The Lord be with you
And also with you
Let us pray

For this reason I bow my knees before the Father,
from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named,
that according to the riches of his glory
he may grant you to be strengthened with power
through his Spirit in your inner being,
so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—
that you, being rooted and grounded in love,
may have strength to comprehend with all the saints
what is the breadth and length and height and depth,
and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge,
that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Now as our Savior Christ has taught us,
We are bold to pray,
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.

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart,
Not be all else to me save that thou art
Thou my best thought by day or by night,
Waking or sleeping, thy presence thy light,
Riches I need to, more man's empty praise,
Thou my inheritance, now and always,
Thou and thou only, first in my heart,
High king of heaven, my treasure thou art,
High king of heaven, thy victory won,
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven sun
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be my vision, O ruler of all.

PRAYER FOR MISSION

For if the blood of goats and bulls, and the sprinkling
of defiled persons with the ashes of a heifer,
sanctify for the purification of the flesh,
how much more will the blood of Christ,
who through the eternal Spirit offered himself
without blemish to God,
purify our conscience from dead works
to serve the living God.

As you come to him, a living stone rejected by men
but in the sight of God chosen and precious,
you yourselves like living stones
are being built up as a spiritual house,
to be a holy priesthood,
to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God
through Jesus Christ.

PRAYER OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

Almighty God, you have given us such grace
At this time, with one accord,
To make our common supplications to you,
And you have promised us through your well beloved Son
That when two or three are gathered in His Name
You will be in the midst of them:
Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions
As may be best for us, granting us in this world
Knowledge of your truth,
And in the age to come, life everlasting. **Amen**.

CLOSING PRAYERS

O God, because without you we are not able to please you,
mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit
may in all things direct and rule our hearts;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

It was before your eyes that Jesus Christ
was publicly portrayed as crucified.
Let me ask you only this: Did you receive the Spirit
by works of the law or by hearing with faith?
Are you so foolish? Having begun by the Spirit,
are you now being perfected by the flesh?
Did you suffer so many things in vain—if indeed it was in vain?
Does he who supplies the Spirit to you
and works miracles among you do so by works of the law,
or by hearing with faith—just as Abraham "believed God,
and it was counted to him as righteousness"?
So then, brothers, we are debtors,
not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh.
For if you live according to the flesh you will die,
but if by the Spirit
you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live.
For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God.
The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy,
peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,
gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law.
And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh
with its passions and desires.
If we live by the Spirit,
let us also keep in step with the Spirit.

The Lord said, "When the Spirit of truth comes,
he will guide you into all the truth,
for he will not speak on his own authority,
but whatever he hears he will speak,
and he will declare to you the things that are to come.
He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine
and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine;
therefore I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you
Let what you heard from the beginning abide in you.
If what you heard from the beginning abides in you.
Then you too will abide in the Son
And in the Father also.

These are my words that I spoke to you
while I was still with you
That everything written about me
in the Law of the Prophets and Psalms Must be fulfilled.
Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures
And said them, "thus it is written, that Christ should suffer
And on the third day rise from the dead, and that the repentance
For the forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in His Name
To all nations, beginning from Jerusalem.
You are witnesses of these things.

Give all your people increase of grace,
To hear your Word with humility,
To receive it with pure affection,
And to bring forth the fruit of the Spirit. Amen.

THE CALL OF CHRIST

After John was arrested, Jesus came into Galilee
Proclaiming the gospel of God and saying,
The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand,
Repent and believe in the gospel.

The Lord said,
"If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples,
and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."
If the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed."

BENEDICTION

But I am not ashamed, for I know whom I have believed,
and I am convinced that he is able to guard until that day
what has been entrusted to me.
Follow the pattern of the sound words that
you have heard from me,
in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus.
By the Holy Spirit who dwells within us,
guard the good deposit entrusted to you. ***2*** *Timothy 1:12-14*

We proclaim the mystery of faith
Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again

LAUDS *mid morning*

Christ has entered, not into a sanctuary made with hands,
A copy of the true one,
But into heaven itself,
Now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf
Since then we have a great high priest
who has passed through the heavens,
Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession.
For we do not have a high priest
who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses,
but one who in every respect
has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. *Hebrews 4:14-15*

Let us then with confidence draw near
to the throne of grace,
that we may receive mercy and find grace to help
in time of need. *Hebrews 4:16*

Looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith
Who, for the joy set before him, endured the cross,
Despising the shame,
And is seated at the right hand of the throne of God

I. CONFESSION *our return to this Good News*

OPENING ACCLAMATION

I waited patiently for the LORD;
he inclined to me and heard my cry.
He drew me up from the pit of destruction,
out of the miry bog, and set my feet upon a rock,
making my steps secure.
He put a new song in my mouth,
a song of praise to our God.
Many will see and fear, and put their trust in the LORD.
Blessed is the man who makes the LORD his trust. *PSALM 40:1-11*

I am like a green olive tree in the house of God,
I trust in the mercy of God forever and ever.

OPENING PRAYER

Heavenly Father, you have made us for yourself,
and our hearts are restless until they rest in you:
Look with compassion
upon the heartfelt desires of your servants,
and purify our disordered affections,
that we may behold your eternal glory
in the face of Christ Jesus;
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

In the tender mercy of our God,
The dayspring from on high,
Has visited us
Christ be with me, Christ within me
Christ behind me, Christ before me,
Christ beside me, Christ to win
Christ to comfort and restore me

Lord, have Mercy
Christ, have Mercy
Lord, have Mercy

CONFESSION OF SIN

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 yourHoly Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name.
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us,
That we may delight in your will
And walk in your ways, to the glory of your name.

REQUEST FOR ABSOLUTION

From all blindness and hardness of heart;
from pride, vanity, and hypocrisy;
from envy, hatred, malice and cruelty ;
and from all lack of charity,
Good Lord, deliver us.

Almighty God have mercy on us,
Forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ,
Confirm and strengthen us in all goodness,
And by the power of the Holy Spirit,
Raise us up to serve you in newness of life. **Amen.**

Create in me a clean heart, O God,
And renew a right spirit within me,
Cast me not away from thy presence and
Take not thy Holy Spirit from me

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to Him:
"If we say we have no sin,
we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
If we confess our sins,
He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins
and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." *1 John 1:8-9*
"But that you may know the Son of Man has authority
On earth to forgive sins–he said to the paralytic
Rise, take up your bed and go home.

And Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks,
he broke it and gave it to them, saying,
"This is my body, which is given for you.
Do this in remembrance of me.
And likewise the cup after they had eaten, saying,
"This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood."

Bread of the world, in Mercy broken,
Wine of the soul, in Mercy shed,
By whom the words of life were spoken
And in whose Death our sins our dead.

NEWNESS OF LIFE

Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound?
By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it?
Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized
Into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death?
We were buried therefore with him by baptism
Into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from
The dead by the glory of the Father,
We too might walk in newness of life.
And you, who were dead in your trespasses
And the uncircumcision of your flesh,
God made alive together with him.

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
Put on the Lord Jesus Christ
And make no provision for the flesh to gratify its desires
As you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk with Him,
Rooted and built up in Him, established in the faith.
The life I now live in the flesh I live by faith
In the son of God who loved me and gave Himself for me

The death that he died, he died to sin, once for all
But the life he lives, He lives to God,
So also consider yourselves dead to sin
and alive to God In Jesus Christ our Lord.

II. SCRIPTURE *receiving this Good News*

The sheep hear his voice,
and he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out.
When he has brought out all his own,
he goes before them, and the sheep follow him,
for they know his voice.
The Lord said,
"Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever hears my word
and believes him who sent me has eternal life.
He does not come into judgment,
but has passed from death to life." *John 5:24'*

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.
According to his great mercy,
he has caused us to be born again to a living hope
through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,
Everyone who believes in Him
Receive the forgiveness of sins through His name.
the righteousness of God
through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe.
Once you were not a people, now you are God's people
Once you had not received Mercy,
now you have received Mercy
For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned
to the Shepherd and Overseer of your Souls.

PSALMS

Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and all that is within me, bless his holy name.
Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and forget not all his benefits,
who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases,
who redeems your life from the pit,
who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,
who satisfies you with good.
So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary,
beholding your power and glory.
Because your steadfast love is better than life.
My flesh and my heart may fail,
but God is the strength of my heart
and my portion forever.

I will lift up my eyes unto the hills;
from whence comes my help?
My help comes from the Lord,
who has made heaven and earth.
He will not let your foot be moved,
and he who keeps you will not sleep.
Behold, he who keeps Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep.
The Lord himself is your keeper;
the Lord is your defense upon your right hand,
So that the sun shall not burn you by day,
neither the moon by night.

The Lord shall preserve you from all evil; indeed,
it is he who shall keep your soul.
The Lord shall preserve your going out and your coming in, from this time forth for evermore.

My soul waits for the Lord,
more than watchmen for the morning,
more than watchmen for the morning.
O Israel, trust in the Lord,
for with the Lord there is mercy,
and with him is plenteous redemption;
And he shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

After the Psalm

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.

GOSPELS AND EPISTLES

He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree,
that we might die to sin and live to righteousness.
By his wounds you have been healed.
For this is why the gospel was preached
even to those who are dead,
that though judged in the flesh the way people are,

they might live in the Spirit the way God does.
For if, because of one man's trespass,
death reigned through that one man,
much more will those who receive the abundance of grace
and the free gift of righteousness
reign in life through the one man Jesus Christ.

Therefore do not be ashamed of the testimony
about our Lord, nor of me his prisoner,
but share in suffering for the gospel by the power of God,
who saved us and called us to a holy calling,
not because of our works
but because of his own purpose and grace,
which he gave us in Christ Jesus before the ages began,
and which now has been manifested
through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus,
who abolished death
and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel,
for which I was appointed a preacher and apostle and teacher,
which is why I suffer as I do.
For all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God
And are justified by His grace as a gift
Through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus

The word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

CANTICLE

Blessed be the God of Israel,
who comes to set us free
And raises up new hope for us,
a branch from David's tree
So have the prophets long declared,
that with His mighty arm
God would turn back our enemies,
and all that wish us harm
With promised Mercy will God still
the covenant recall,
The oath once sworn to Abraham
from foes to save us all
That we might worship without fear
and offer lives of praise
In holiness and righteousness,
to serve God all our days
My child as prophet of the Lord
you will prepare the way
To tell God's people they are saved
from sins eternal sway
Then shall God's mercy from on high,
shine forth and never cease
To drive away the gloom of death,
and lead us into peace.

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ,
his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He 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,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again 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.

III. PRAYER *staying with this Good News*

The Lord be with you
And also with you
Let us pray

But I, through the abundance of your steadfast love,
will enter your house.
I will bow down toward your holy temple
in the fear of you.

Now as our Savior Christ has taught us,
We are bold to pray,
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.

THE SUFFRAGES

Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;
Govern and uphold them, now and always.
Day by day we bless you;
We praise your name for ever.
Lord, keep us from all sin today;
Have mercy upon us, Lord, have mercy.
Lord, show us your love and mercy;
For we put our trust in you.
In you, Lord, is our hope;
Let us never be put to shame.

Out of the deep have I called unto you, O Lord;
Lord, hear my voice. O let your ears consider well
the voice of my supplications.
If you, Lord, were to mark what is done amiss,
O Lord, who could abide it?
For there is mercy with you; therefore you shall be feared.
I wait for the Lord; my soul waits for him;
in his word is my trust.

Heavenly Father, you have promised to hear what we ask
in the Name of Your Son:
Accept and fulfill our petitions, we pray,
not as we ask in our ignorance, nor as we deserve in our sinfulness,
but as you know and love us
in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

For you did not receive the spirit of slavery
to fall back into fear,
But you have received the spirit of adoption as sons,
By whom we cry, "Abba! Father!"
The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit
That we are children of God, and if children, then heirs–
Heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ,
Provided we suffer with him in order that we may also
Be glorified with him.
Since therefore Christ suffered in the flesh,
Arm yourselves with the same way of thinking
For whoever has suffered in the flesh has ceased from sin
So as to live for the rest of the time in the flesh
No longer for human passions but for the will of God.
For we do not know what to pray for as we ought,
but the Spirit himself intercedes for us
with groanings too deep for words.
For through the Spirit, by faith
We ourselves eagerly wait for the hope of righteousness

Our God, in whom we trust:
Strengthen us not to regard overmuch
who is for us or who is against us,
but to see to it that we be with you in everything we do. **Amen**.

PRAYER FOR MISSION

Having purified your souls
By your obedience to the truth for a sincere brotherly love
Love one another earnestly from a pure heart,
Since you have been born again,
Not of perishable seed but of imperishable,
Through the living and abiding word of God.
. Be kind to one another, tenderhearted,
forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you
Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children.
And walk in love, as Christ loved us
and gave himself up for us,
a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

As you come to him, a living stone rejected by men
but in the sight of God chosen and precious,
you yourselves like living stones
are being built up as a spiritual house,
to be a holy priesthood,
to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God
through Jesus Christ.

Lord Jesus Christ,
you stretched out your arms of love
on the hard wood of the Cross
that everyone might come within the reach
of your saving embrace: so clothe us in your Spirit

that we,reaching forth our hands in love,
may bring those who do not know you
to the knowledge and love of you;
for the honor of your Name. Amen.

INTERCESSIONS, THANKSGIVINGS, PETITIONS

Fairest Lord Jesus, ruler of all nature,
O thou of God and man the Son,
Thee will I cherish, thee will I honor,
Thou my souls glory, joy, and crown,
Fair are the meadows, fairer still the woodlands
Robed in the blooming garb of spring
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer,
who makes the woeful heart to sing
Fair is the sunshine, fairer still the moonlight,
And all the twinkling starry host,
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer
Than all the angels heaven can boast.

THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING

Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
We your unworthy servants give you humble thanks
For all your goodness and loving kindness
To us and to all whom you have made.
We bless you for our creation, preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;

but above all for your immeasurable 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 pray, 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 our selves to your service,
and by walking before you
in holiness and righteousness all our days;
Through Jesus Christ our Lord,
To whom with you and the Holy Spirit
Be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

THE CALL OF CHRIST

Jesus said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician,
but those who are sick.
I came not to call the righteous, but sinners."

BENEDICTION

To him who loves us
and has freed us from our sins by his blood
and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father,
to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. **Amen.** *Revelation 1:5*

For what we proclaim is not ourselves,
but Jesus Christ as Lord,

with ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake.
For God, who said,"Let light shine out of darkness,"
has shone in our hearts
to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God
in the face of Jesus Christ.

The Lord said, "I am the light of the world,
Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness
But will have the light of life
While you have the Light, believe in the Light,
That you may become children of Light.
If anyone walks in the Light, he does not stumble
Because he sees the Light of this world."

Let us bless the Lord,
Thanks be to God

All flesh is like grass
and all its glory like the flower of grass.
The grass withers, and the flower falls,
but the word of the Lord remains forever.
And this word is the good news that was preached to you.

We proclaim the mystery of faith,
Christ has died,
Christ is risen,
Christ will come again.

NONES *early afternoon*

Since therefore the children share in flesh and blood,
he himself likewise partook of the same things,
that through death he might destroy
the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil,
and deliver all those who through fear of death
were subject to lifelong slavery.
For surely it is not angels that he helps,
but he helps the offspring of Abraham.
Therefore he had to be made like his brothers in every respect,
so that he might become a merciful and faithful high priest
in the service of God, to make propitiation
for the sins of the people.
For because he himself has suffered when tempted,
he is able to help those who are being tempted. *Hebrews 2:14-18*
Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering,
for he who promised is faithful. *Hebrews 10:19-25*
Let us then with confidence draw near
to the throne of grace,
that we may receive mercy
and find grace to help in time of need. *Hebrews 4:16*
Looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith
Who, for the joy set before him, endured the cross,
Despising the shame,
And is seated at the right hand of the throne of God

I.CONFESSION *our return to this Good News*

OPENING SENTENCE

The king is not saved by his great army;
a warrior is not delivered by his great strength.
The war horse is a false hope for salvation,
And by its great might it cannot rescue.
Behold, the eye of the LORD is on those who fear him,
on those who hope in his steadfast love,
that he may deliver their soul from death
and keep them alive in famine.
Our soul waits for the LORD; he is our help and our shield.
For our heart is glad in him,
because we trust in his holy name.
Let your steadfast love, O LORD, be upon us,
even as we hope in you. ***P****salm 34:15-21*

I am like a green olive tree in the house of God
I trust in the mercy of God forever and ever.

OPENING PRAYER

Blessed Savior, at this hour you hung upon the Cross,
stretching out your loving arms:
Grant that all the peoples of the earth
may look to you and be saved;
for your tender mercies' sake. Amen.

Be gracious to us God, and bless us
Let your face shine upon us
And have mercy on us
O Son of God, risen from the dead,
Save those who put their trust in you.

Lord have mercy,
Christ have mercy
Lord have mercy

CONFESSION OF SIN

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 yourHoly Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name.
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us,
That we may delight in your will
And walk in your ways, to the glory of your name.

REQUEST FOR ABSOLUTION

For our self pity and impatience
For bitterness and resentment
For uncharitable thoughts toward our neighbors
For prejudice and contempt of others
Lord have mercy upon us for we have sinned against you.

Almighty God have mercy on us,
Forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ,
Confirm and strengthen us in all goodness,
And by the power of the Holy Spirit,
Raise us up to serve you in newness of life. **Amen.**

Create in me, a clear heart of God
And renew a right spirit within me
Cast me not away from thy presence
And take not thy Holy Spirit from me

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the Word of God
to all who truly turn to Him:
"This saying is trustworthy
and deserving of full acceptance,
That Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners."
"But that you may know the Son of Man has authority
On earth to forgive sins–he said to the paralytic
Rise, take up your bed and go home.

And Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks,
he broke it and gave it to them, saying,
"This is my body, which is given for you.
Do this in remembrance of me.
And likewise the cup after they had eaten, saying,
"This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood."

Bread of the world, in Mercy broken
Wine of the soul, in Mercy shed,
By whom the words of life were spoken,
And in whose death, our sins are dead

NEWNESS OF LIFE

For the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God,
For it does not submit to God's law, indeed it cannot
Those who are in the flesh cannot please God.
You however are not in the flesh but in the Spirit,
If Christ is in you, although the body is dead because of sin
The Spirit is life because of righteousness.
For the law of the Spirit of life
Has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death
Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh
With its passions and desires.
I have been crucified with Christ.
It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me.
If we live by the spirit, let us also keep step with the Spirit.
But now we are released from the law,
having died to that which held us captive,
so that we serve in the new way of the Spirit
and not in the old way of the written code.
For freedom Christ has set us free; stand firm therefore,
And do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

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
Put on the Lord Jesus Christ
And make no provision for the flesh
To gratify its desires

As you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk with Him,
Rooted and built up in Him, established in the faith.
The life I now live in the flesh I live by faith
In the son of God who loved me and gave Himself for me

The death that he died, he died to sin, once for all
But the life he lives, He lives to God,
So also consider yourselves dead to sin
and alive to God In Jesus Christ our Lord.

II. SCRIPTURE *receiving this Good News*

The Lord said, "My sheep hear my voice
And I know them, and they follow me.
I give them eternal life.
And they will never perish.
And no one will snatch them from my hand."
The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy.
I come that they may have life and have it abundantly
I am the good shepherd, the good shepherd
Lays down his life for the sheep

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.
According to his great mercy,
he has caused us to be born again to a living hope
through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,
Everyone who believes in Him
Receive the forgiveness of sins through His name.
the righteousness of God
through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe.
Once you were not a people, now you are God's people
Once you had not received Mercy,
now you have received Mercy
For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your Souls.

PSALMS

Send out your light and your truth, that they may lead me,
and bring me to your holy hill
And to your dwelling.
My soul clings to you your right hand upholds me.
My flesh and my heart may fail,
But God is the strength of my heart,
And my portion forever.

Unto you I lift up my eyes,
you who are enthroned in the heavens.
Behold, as the eyes of servants
look to the hand of their masters,
and as the eyes of a maiden to the hand of her mistress,
Even so our eyes wait upon the Lord our God,
until he show us his favor.
Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy upon us,
for we have suffered more than enough contempt.
Long has our soul suffered the scorn of the wealthy
and the spitefulness of the proud.
My soul waits for the Lord,
more than watchmen for the morning,
more than watchmen for the morning.
O Israel, trust in the Lord,
for with the Lord there is mercy,
and with him is plenteous redemption;
And he shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

After the Psalm

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.

GOSPELS AND EPISTLES*choose one or more*

Conduct yourselves with fear throughout the time of your exile,
Knowing that you were ransomed
From the futile ways inherited from your forefathers
Not with perishables things such as silver or gold
But with the precious blood of Christ
Without blemish or spot
He was foreknown before the foundation of the world
But was made manifest in the last times
For the sake of you who through Him are believers in God,
Who raised Him from the dead and gave him glory,
So that your faith and hope are in God.

When the goodness and loving kindness
of God our Savior appeared,
He saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness,
but according to his own mercy,
by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit,
whom he poured out on us richly
Through Jesus Christ our Savior,
so that being justified by his grace

we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.
For all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God
And are justified by His grace as a gift
Through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

CANTICLE

Splendor and honor and kingly power
Are yours by right, O Lord our God
For you created everything that is,
And by your will they were created and have their being.
And yours by right, O Lamb that was slain
For with your blood you have redeemed for God
From every family, language, people and nation
A kingdom of priests to serve our God.
And so to Him who sits upon the throne
And to Christ the Lamb be worship and praise
Dominion and splendor for forever and forevermore

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ,
his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He 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,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again 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.

III. PRAYER *staying with this Good News*

The Lord be with you
And also with you
Let us pray

One thing I have asked of the Lord,
One thing I seek,
That I may dwell in the house of the Lord
All the days of my life.

Now as our Savior Jesus Christ taught us,
We are bold to pray,
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.

THE SUFFRAGES

O Lord, arise and help us;
And deliver us for your Name's sake.

From our enemies defend us, O Christ;
Graciously behold our afflictions.
With pity behold the sorrows of our hearts;
Mercifully forgive the sins of your people.
With favor hear our prayers;
O Son of David, have mercy upon us.

Out of the deep have I called unto you, O Lord;
Lord, hear my voice. O let your ears consider well
the voice of my supplications.
If you, Lord, were to mark what is done amiss,
O Lord, who could abide it?
For there is mercy with you; therefore you shall be feared.
I wait for the Lord; my soul waits for him;
in his word is my trust.

Heavenly Father, you have promised
to hear what we ask in the Name of Your Son:
Accept and fulfill our petitions, we pray,
not as we ask in our ignorance,
nor as we deserve in our sinfulness,
but as you know and love us
in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

For all the promises of God find their Yes in Him.
That it is why it is through him

that we utter our Amen to God For his glory.
And it God who establishes us with you in Christ
And has anointed us, and who has also put his seal on us.
And given us His Spirit in our hearts as a guarantee.
For we do not know what to pray for as we ought,
but the Spirit himself intercedes for us
with groanings too deep for words.
For through the Spirit, by faith,
We ourselves eagerly await the hope of righteousness.

O Lord God, grant your people grace
to withstand the temptations
of the world, the flesh, and the devil,
and with pure hearts and minds to follow you,
the only God; through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Jesus, Lamb of God, have Mercy on us
Jesus bearer of our sins, have Mercy on us
Jesus redeemer of the world, give us your peace, give us your peace

PRAYER FOR MISSION

When my soul was embittered, when I was pricked in heart,
I was brutish and ignorant; I was like a beast toward you.
Nevertheless, I am continually with you;
You hold my right hand. You guide me with your counsel,
and afterward you will receive me to glory.
Whom have I in heaven but you?
And there is nothing on earth that I desire besides you.
My flesh and my heart may fail,
but God is the strength of my heart
and my portion forever.

As you come to him, a living stone rejected by men
but in the sight of God chosen and precious,
you yourselves like living stones
are being built up as a spiritual house,
to be a holy priesthood,
to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God
through Jesus Christ.

O God, you have made of one blood
all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son
to preach peace to those who are far off
and to those who are near:
Grant that people everywhere
may seek after you and find you;
bring the nations into your fold;

pour out your Spirit upon all flesh;
and hasten the coming of your kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

INTERCESSION, PETITIONS, THANKSGIVINGS, *silently or aloud*

THE CALL OF CHRIST

The Lord said,
"If anyone would come after me,
let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me.
For whoever would save his life will lose it,
but whoever loses his life
for my sake and the gospel's will save it." *Matthew 16:24*

BENEDICTION

They have washed their robes
and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.
Therefore they are before the throne of God,
and serve him day and night in his temple;
and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence.
They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore;
the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat.
For the Lamb in the midst of the throne
will be their shepherd, and he will guide them
to springs of living water, and God will wipe away
every tear from their eyes. **Amen.** *Revelation 7:15-17*
For what we proclaim is not ourselves,
but Jesus Christ as Lord,

with ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake.
For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness,"
has shone in our hearts
to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God
in the face of Jesus Christ.

The Lord said, "I am the Light of the world,
Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness
But with have the light of life."
While you have the Light, believe in the Light,
That you may become children of Light.
If anyone walks in the Light, he does not stumble
Because he sees the Light of this world.

Let us bless the Lord,
Thanks be to God

All flesh is like grass and all its glory like the flower of grass.
The grass withers, and the flower falls,
but the word of the Lord remains forever.
And this word is the good news that was preached to you.

We proclaim the mystery of faith,
Christ has died,
Christ is risen,
Christ will come again.

VESPERS *early evening*

Christ has appeared
as a high priest of the good things that have come.
A better hope is introduced,
through which we draw near to God.
For we have come to share in Christ,
If indeed we hold fast our original confidence until the end.
We who have fled for refuge might have strong encouragement
To hold fast to the hope set before us,
We have this as a sure and steadfast anchor of the soul,
A hope that enters into the inner place behind the curtain,
Where Jesus has gone as a forerunner on our behalf.
He holds his priesthood permanently,
because he continues forever.
Consequently, he is able to save to the uttermost
Those who draw near to God through him,
since he always lives to make intercession for them. *Hebrews 7*

Let us then with confidence draw near
to the throne of grace,that we may receive mercy
and find grace to help in time of need. *Hebrews 4:16*

Looking to Jesus,
the founder and perfecter of our faith
Who, for the joy set before him, endured the cross,
Despising the shame,
And is seated at the right hand of the throne of God

I. CONFESSION *out return to this Good News*

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Trust in the LORD, and do good;
dwell in the land and befriend faithfulness.
Delight yourself in the LORD,
and he will give you the desires of your heart.
Commit your way to the LORD;
trust in him, and he will act.
He will bring forth your righteousness as the light,
and your justice as the noonday.
Be still before the LORD and wait patiently for him *Psalm 37:3*
I am like a green olive tree in the house of God,
I trust in the mercy of God forever and ever.

O gracious Light, Lord Jesus Christ
In you the Father's glory shone,
Immortal, holy, blessed is He.
And blessed are you His only Son,
Now sunset comes but light shines forth
The lamps are lamps are lit to pierce the night,
Praise Father, Son, and Spirit, God–
Who dwells in the eternal light
Worthy are you of endless praise
O Son of God, live-giving Lord
Wherefore you are through all the earth,
And in the highest heaven adored

Lord have mercy,
Christ have mercy
Lord have mercy

CONFESSION OF SIN

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 yourHoly Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name.
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us,
That we may delight in your will
And walk in your ways, to the glory of your name.

REQUEST FOR ABSOLUTION

From all disordered and sinful affections;
and from all the deceits of the world, the flesh, and the devil,
Good Lord, deliver us.

To give us a heart to love and fear you,
and diligently to keep your commandments,
We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.

Almighty God have mercy on us,
Forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ,
Confirm and strengthen us in all goodness,
And by the power of the Holy Spirit,
Raise us up to serve you in newness of life. **Amen.**

Create in me, a clean heart, O God,
And renew a right spirit within me,
Cast me not away from thy presence and
Take not thy Holy Spirit from me,

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to Him:
"But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father
Jesus Christ the righteous.
He is the propitiation for our sins.
And not for ours only,
but also for the sins of the whole world."
"But that you may know the Son of Man has authority
On earth to forgive sins–he said to the paralytic
Rise, take up your bed and go home.

And Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks,
he broke it and gave it to them, saying,
"This is my body, which is given for you.
Do this in remembrance of me.
And likewise the cup after they had eaten, saying,
"This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood."

Bread of the world, in Mercy broken,
Wine of the soul, in Mercy shed,
By whom the Words of life were spoken,
And in whose Death, our sins are dead.

NEWNESS OF LIFE

Such is the confidence that we have through Christ toward God,
Not that we are sufficient in ourselves to claim anything
As coming from us, but our sufficiency is from God
Who has made us sufficient to be ministers of a new covenant
Not of the letter but of the Spirit. For the letter kills,
But the Spirit gives life. But I say, walk by the Spirit,
and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh.
Present yourselves to God as
those who have been brought from death to life,
And your members to God as instruments for righteousness.
For sin will have no dominion over you,
Since you are not under law but under grace.

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
Put on the Lord Jesus Christ
And make no provision for the flesh to gratify its desires
As you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk with Him,
Rooted and built up in Him, established in the faith.
The life I now live in the flesh I live by faith
In the son of God who loved me and gave Himself for me
The death that he died, he died to sin, once for all
But the life he lives, He lives to God,
So also consider yourselves dead to sin
and alive to God In Jesus Christ our Lord.

II. SCRIPTURE *receiving this Good News*

Truly, truly, I say to you, an hour is coming and is now here,
when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God,
and those who hear will live.
For as the Father has life in himself,
so he has granted the Son also to have life in himself.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.
According to his great mercy,
he has caused us to be born again to a living hope
through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,
Everyone who believes in Him
Receive the forgiveness of sins through His name.
the righteousness of God
through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe.
Once you were not a people, now you are God's people
Once you had not received Mercy,
now you have received Mercy
For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned
to the Shepherd and Overseer of your Souls.

PSALMS

If the Lord himself had not been on our side,
now may Israel say:
if the Lord himself had not been on our side,
when men rose up against us,
Then would they have swallowed us up alive,

when they were so wrathfully displeased with us;
Then the waters would have drowned us,
and the torrent gone over us;
then the raging waters would have gone clean over us.
But praised be the Lord,
who has not given us over to be prey for their teeth.
We escaped like a bird out of the snare of the fowler;
the snare is broken, and we have been delivered.
Our help is in the Name of the Lord,
the maker of heaven and earth. *124*

My soul waits for the Lord,
more than watchmen for the morning,
more than watchmen for the morning.
O Israel, trust in the Lord,
for with the Lord there is mercy,
and with him is plenteous redemption;
And he shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

After the Psalm,

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.

GOSPELS AND EPISTLES*choose one or more*

For Christ also suffered once for sins,
the righteous for the unrighteous,
that he might bring us to God,
being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the Spirit.
For this is why the gospel was preached
even to those who are dead,
that though judged in the flesh the way people are,
they might live in the Spirit the way God does.

But we ought always to give thanks to God for you,
brothers beloved by the Lord,
because God chose you as the firstfruits to be saved,
Through sanctification by the Spirit and belief in the truth.
To this he called you through our gospel,
so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.
For all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God
And are justified by His grace as a gift
Through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

CANTICLE

Lord, you now have set your servant free,
To go in peace as you have promised
For these eyes of mine have seen the Savior

Whom you have prepared for all the world to see,
A light to enlighten the nation,
And the glory of your people Israel.

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ,
his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He 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,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again 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.

III. PRAYER *staying with this Good News*

The Lord be with you
And also with you
Let us pray

Deliver the people, whom you have redeemed
with your most precious blood,
and by your mercy preserve us forever.
Good Lord, deliver us.

Now as our Savior Christ has taught us we are bold to pray,
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.

THE SUFFRAGES

That this evening may be holy, good, and peaceful,
We entreat you, O Lord.
That your holy angels may lead us in paths of peace and goodwill,

We entreat you, O Lord.
That we may be pardoned and forgiven for our sins and offenses,
We entreat you, O Lord.
That there may be peace to your Church and to the whole world,
We entreat you, O Lord.
That we may be bound together by your Holy Spirit in
the communion of all your saints,
entrusting one another and all our life to Christ,
We entreat you, O Lord.

Out of the deep have I called unto you, O Lord;
Lord, hear my voice. O let your ears consider well
the voice of my supplications.
If you, Lord, were to mark what is done amiss,
O Lord, who could abide it?
For there is mercy with you; therefore you shall be feared.
I wait for the Lord; my soul waits for him;
in his word is my trust.

Heavenly Father, you have promised
to hear what we ask in the Name of Your Son:
Accept and fulfill our petitions, we pray,
not as we ask in our ignorance,
nor as we deserve in our sinfulness,
but as you know and love us
in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Now the Lord is the Spirit,
and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom.
And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord,
are being transformed into the same image
from one degree of glory to another.
For this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit. *2 Cor. 3:17*
For we do not know what to pray for as we ought
But the Spirit intercedes for us with groans too deep for words
For through the Spirit, by faith,
We ourselves eagerly wait for the hope of righteousness.

O God, the source of all holy desires, all good counsels,
and all just works: Give to your servants that peace
which the world cannot give,
that our hearts may be set to obey your commandments,
and that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies,
may pass our time in rest and quietness;
through the merits of Jesus Christ our Savior.
Lighten our darkness, we beseech you, O Lord;
and by your great mercy
defend us from all perils and dangers of this night;
for the love of your only Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

PRAYER FOR MISSION

We, though many, are one body in Christ,
and individually members one of another.

I appeal to you therefore, brothers,
by the mercies of God,
to present your bodies as a living sacrifice,
holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.

As you come to him, a living stone rejected by men
but in the sight of God chosen and precious,
you yourselves like living stones
are being built up as a spiritual house,
to be a holy priesthood,
to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God
through Jesus Christ.

Almighty God,
you gave such grace to your apostle Andrew,
That he readily obeyed the call of your Son Jesus Christ,
And brought his brother with him:
give us, who are called by your holy Word,
Grace to follow him without delay,
and to bring those near to us
Into His gracious presence, who lives and reigns with you
and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

INTERCESSION, THANKSGIVING, PETITIONS

Come with us, O blessed Jesus,
With us evermore to be,
And though leaving now thine altar,

Let us never more leave thee,
Be thou with us now forever
In our life thy love divine,
Our own flesh and blood has taken,
And to us thou givest thine.

THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING

Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
We your unworthy servants give you humble thanks
For all your goodness and loving kindness
To us and to all whom you have made.
We bless you for our creation, preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for your immeasurable 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 pray, 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 our selves to your service,
and by walking before you
in holiness and righteousness all our days;
Through Jesus Christ our Lord,
To whom with you and the Holy Spirit
Be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

THE CALL OF CHRIST

The Lord said, "I have said these things to you,
that in me you may have peace.
In the world you will have tribulation.
But take heart; I have overcome the world." *John 16:33*

BENEDICTION

And I heard a loud voice in heaven,
saying, "Now the salvation
and the power and the kingdom of our God
and the authority of his Christ have come,
For the accuser of our brothers has been thrown down,
who accuses them day and night before our God.
And they have conquered him
by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony."

For what we proclaim is not ourselves,
but Jesus Christ as Lord,
with ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake.
For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness,"
has shone in our hearts
to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God
in the face of Jesus Christ.

The Lord said, "I am the light of the world,
Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness
But will have the light of life.

While you have the Light, believe in the Light,
That you may become children of Light.
If anyone walks in the Light, he does not stumble
Because he sees the Light of this world."

Let us bless the Lord,
Thanks be to God

All flesh is like grass
and all its glory like the flower of grass.
The grass withers, and the flower falls,
but the word of the Lord remains forever.
And this word is the good news that was preached to you.

We proclaim the mystery of faith,
Christ has died,
Christ is risen,
Christ will come again.

COMPLINE

You have come to Mount Zion
And to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem
And to the innumerable angels in festal gathering
And to the assembly of the firstborn
Who are enrolled in heave,
And to God, the judge of all,
And to the spirits of the righteous made perfect
And to Jesus the mediator of a new covenant.
And to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word
Than the blood of Abel

Let us then with confidence draw near
to the throne of grace,that we may receive mercy
and find grace to help in time of need. *Hebrews 4:16*

Looking to Jesus,
the founder and perfector of our faith
Who, for the joy set before him, endured the cross,
Despising the shame,
And is seated at the right hand of the throne of God

I. CONFESSION

OPENING ACCLAMATION

The Lord is my light and my salvation;
whom then shall I fear?
The Lord is the strength of my life;
of whom then shall I be afraid?
When the wicked, even my enemies and my foes,
came upon me to eat up my flesh, they stumbled and fell.
Though a host were encamped against me,
yet my heart would not be afraid,
and though war rose up against me,
yet would I put my trust in him.
One thing have I desired of the Lord; one thing I seek:
that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life,
To behold the fair beauty of the Lord,
and to seek him in his temple.
I am like a green olive tree in the house of God
I trust in the mercy of God forever and ever.

O Christ you are both light and day,
You drive away the shadowed night,
As daystar you precede the dawn,
The herald of the light to come

Lord have Mercy,
Christ have Mercy,
Lord have Mercy.

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 yourHoly Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name.
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Abide with me, fast falls the evening tide,
The darkness deepens, Lord with me abide
When other helpers fail and comfort flee
Help of the helpless, abide with me.

The Lord said: I will sprinkle clean water on you,
and you shall be clean from all your uncleanness,
and from all your idols I will cleanse you.
And I will give you a new heart,
and a new spirit I will put within you.
And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh
and give you a heart of flesh.
And I will put my Spirit within you.

My dwelling place shall be with them,
and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

NEWNESS OF LIFE

Grace to you and peace from God our Father
And the Lord jesus Christ
Who gave himself for our sins to deliver us
From the present evil age,
According to the will of our God and Father
For freedom Chrsist has set us free
Stand firm, therefore,
And do not submit again to a yoke of slavery
For you were called to freedom, brothers
Only do not use your freedom
As an opportunity for the flesh,
But through love serve another.
For the whole law is fulfilled in one word
You shall love your neighbor as yours.f.
Love does no wrong to a neighbor;
therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.

Besides this you know the time,
that the hour has come for you to wake from sleep.
For salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed.
The night is far gone; the day is at hand.
So then let us cast off the works of darkness
and put on the armor of light.

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
Put on the Lord Jesus Christ
And make no provision for the flesh
To gratify its desires
As you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk with Him,
Rooted and built up in Him, established in the faith.
The life I now live in the flesh I live by faith
In the son of God who loved me and gave Himself for me

The death that he died, he died to sin, once for all
But the life he lives, He lives to God,
So also consider yourselves dead to sin
and alive to God In Jesus Christ our Lord.

II. SCRIPTURE *receiving this Good News*

They said to him, "What must we be doing,
To do the works of God?"
Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God,
That you believe in Him whom he has sent"

For everyone who has been born of God
overcomes the world.
And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith.
Who is it that overcomes the world
except the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?
And he said to them, "O foolish ones,
and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken!
Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things
and enter into his glory?"
And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets,
he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures
the things concerning himself.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.
According to his great mercy,
he has caused us to be born again to a living hope
through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,
Everyone who believes in Him
Receive the forgiveness of sins through His name.
the righteousness of God
through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe.
Once you were not a people, now you are God's people

Once you had not received Mercy,
now you have received Mercy
For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned
to the Shepherd and Overseer of your Souls.

PSALMS

When the Lord overturned the captivity of Zion,
then were we like those who dream.
Then was our mouth filled with laughter
and our tongue with shouts of joy.
Then they said among the nations,
"The Lord has done great things for them."
Indeed, the Lord has done great things for us already,
whereof we rejoice.
Overturn our captivity, O Lord,
as when streams refresh the deserts of the south.
Those who sow in tears shall reap with songs of joy.
He who goes on his way weeping and bears good seed shall
doubtless come again with joy, and bring his sheaves with Him.

My soul waits for the Lord,
more than watchmen for the morning,
more than watchmen for the morning.
O Israel, trust in the Lord,
for with the Lord there is mercy,
and with him is plenteous redemption;
And he shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

After the Psalm,

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.

GOSPELS AND EPISTLES

The Lord said,
For this is the will of my Father,
That whoever looks on the Son and believes in Him
Shall have eternal life and I shall raise Him up
On the last day"

Although the doors were locked,
Jesus came and stood among them and said,
"Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas,
"Put your finger here, and see my hands;
and put out your hand, and place it in my side.
Do not disbelieve, but believe."
Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!"

For our sake He made Him to be sin who knew no sin
So that in Him we might become
the righteousness of God
For all have sinned And fallen short of the glory of God
And are justified by His grace as a gift
Through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus

For the grace of God has appeared,
bringing salvation for all people,
training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions,
and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives
in the present age, waiting for our blessed hope,
the appearing of the glory
of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ,
who gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness
and to purify for himself a people for his own possession
who are zealous for good works.

CANCTICLE

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,
My spirit rejoices in God my savior,
For He has looked with favor on
His holy servant

For behold, from now on, all generations will call me blessed;
For he that is mighty has magnified me, and holy is his Name.
And his mercy is on those who fear him,
throughout all generations.
He has shown the strength of his arm;
He has scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.
He has brought down the mighty from their thrones,
and has exalted the humble and meek.
He has filled the hungry with good things,

and the rich he has sent empty away.
He, remembering his mercy, has helped his servant Israel,
as he promised to our fathers,Abraham and his seed for ever.

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,
My spirit rejoices in God my savior,
For He has looked with favor on
His holy servant

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Glory to God in the hightest,
And peace to His people on earth
Lord God, heavenly King, Almighty God and Father,
We worship you, we give you thanks
We praise you for your glory
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father
Lord God, Lamb of God
You take away the sin of the world
Have Mercy on us
You are seated at the right hand of the Father,
Receive our prayer,
For you alone are the Holy One
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.

III. PRAYER

The Lord be with you,
And also with you.
Let us pray

I bless the LORD who gives me counsel;
in the night also my heart instructs me.
I have set the LORD always before me;
because he is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.
Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices;
my flesh also dwells secure.
For you will not abandon my soul to Sheol,
or let your holy one see corruption.
You make known to me the path of life;
in your presence there is fullness of joy;
at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

Now as our Savior Christ has taught us,
We are bold to pray,
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.

SUFFRAGES

Deliver us, O Lord, from the way of sin and death
Lord, hear our prayer
Open our hearts to your grace and truth
Lord, hear our prayer
Fill us with your holy and life giving Spirit
Lord, hear our prayer
Keep us in the faith and communion of your holy church
Lord, hear our prayer
Teach us to love others in the power of the Spirit
Lord hear our prayer
Send us into the world to witness to your love
Lord hear our prayer
Bring us to the fullness of your peace and glory
Lord hear our prayer

Once earthly joy I craved, sought peace and rest
Now thee alone I seek, do what it best,
This is my prayer and plea,
More love O Christ to thee,
More love to thee, more love to thee

PRAYER IN THE NIGHT

Keep watch, dear Lord,
with those who work, or watch, or weep this night,
and give your angels charge over those who sleep.
Tend the sick, Lord Christ;
give rest to the weary, bless the dying,
soothe the suffering, pity the afflicted,
shield the joyous; and all for your love's sake. Amen.
Guide us waking O Lord and guard us sleeping
That awake we may watch with Christ
And asleep we may rest in peace.

PRAYER FOR MISSION

And he came and preached peace
To those we we far off and to those who were near
For through him we both have access in one Spirit
To the Father,
So then you are no longer strangers and aliens,
But you are fellow citizens with the saints
And members of the household of God,
Built on the same foundation of the apostles and prophets,
Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone,
In whom the whole structure, being joined together,
Grows into a holy temple in the Lord.
In him you are also being built
into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit.

As you come to him, a living stone rejected by men
but in the sight of God chosen and precious,
you yourselves like living stones
are being built up as a spiritual house,
to be a holy priesthood,
to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God
through Jesus Christ.

BENEDICTION

Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain
that God has made him both Lord and Christ,
this Jesus whom you crucified."
Now when they heard this they were cut to the heart,
and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles,
"Brothers, what shall we do?"
And Peter said to them, "Repent and be baptized
every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ
for the forgiveness of your sins,
and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.
For the promise is for you and for your children
and for all who are far off,
everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself."

You who once were alienated
and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds,
he has now reconciled in his body of flesh by his death,
in order to present you holy and blameless

and above reproach before him.
Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling
and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory
with great joy, to the only God, our Savior,
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority,
before all time and now and forever.

CALL OF CHRIST

"Behold, I stand at the door and knock.
If anyone hears my voice and opens the door,
I will come in to him and eat with him, and he with me.

We proclaim the mystery of faith,
Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again

EVENSONG

Now my tongue the mystery telling
Of the glorious body sing
And the blood all price excelling
Which the gentiles Lord and King
Once on earth among us dwelling
Shed for this world's ransoming

Sing my tongue the glorious battle
Of the mighty conflict sing
Tell the triumph of the victim
To his cross thy tribute bring
Jesus Christ the world's redeemer
From that cross now reigns as king

I. PRAISE

O heavenly Word eternal light,
Begotten of the Father's might
Who in these latter days was born
For blessings to a world forlorn

Pour light upon us from above
And fire our hearts with ardent love
That as we hear thy truth today
All wrong desires may burn away

O let us not for evil past
Be driven from thy face at last
But with thy saint forevermore
Behold thee, love thee, and adore

And Jesus spoke to them, saying,
"I am the Light of the World.
Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness
But will have the light of life."

Light and peace in Jesus Christ our Lord
Thanks be to God

Long ago, at many times and in many ways,
God spoke to our fathers by the prophets,
But in these last days, He has spoken to us by His Son,
Whom he appointed the heir of all things,
Through whom also he created the world.
He is the radiance of the glory of God,
And the exact imprint of his nature,
And he upholds the universe by the word of his power.

In the tender Mercy of our God
The day spring from on high
Hath visited us

For God who said
"Let light shine out of darkness"
has shone in our hearts to give the light
of the knowledge of the glory of God
in the face of Jesus Christ."

And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it
For the glory of the Lord gives it light
And its lamp is the lamb

Share in suffering for the gospel by the power of God
Who saved us and called us to a holy calling,
Not because of our works but because of his own purpose

And grace which he gave us in Christ Jesus before the ages began,
and which now has been manifested
Through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus
Who abolished death and brought life and immortality
To life through the gospel.

You O Lord are my lamp
My God you make my darkness bright

And so I stand here testifying both to small and great
Saying nothing but what the prophets and Moses said
Would come to pass: That the Christ must suffer and that,
Being raised from the dead,
He would proclaim light both to our people and to the Gentiles

Arise shine for you light has come
And the glory of the Lord has dawned upon you
For behold deep darkness covers the land
Deep gloom shrouds the peoples
But over you the Lord will rise,
And His glory will appear upon you.
The sun will no more be your light by day,
By night you will not need the brightness of the moon
The Lord will be your everlasting light
And your God will be your glory

THE PRAYER FOR LIGHT

Grant us, Lord, the lamp of charity which never fails,
That it may burn in us and shed its light
on those around us.
And that by its brightness we may have a vision
Of that holy city,
Where dwells the true and never failing Light,
Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

Be gracious to us God, and bless us
Let your face shine upon us, and have mercy on us
Oh, Son of God, risen from the dead,
Save those who put their, trust in you.

For in the mystery of the Word made flesh,
You have caused a new light to shine in our hearts
To give the knowledge of your glory in the face of
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord.
And by your great mercy defend us
From all perils and dangers of this night;
For the love of your only Son, our Savior,
Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

O gracious Light, Lord Jesus Christ,
In you the Father's glory shone
Immortal, Holy, Blessed is He.
And blessed are you His only Son.

Now sunset comes but light shines forth
The lamps are lit to pierce the night
Praise Father, Son, and Spirit, God
Who dwells in the eternal light

Worthy are you of endless praise,
O son of God life giving Lord
Wherefore you are through all the earth,
And in the highest heaven adored

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 yourHoly Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name.
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Come Holy Ghost our souls inspire
And lighten with celestial fire

Enable with perpetual light,
The dullness of our blinded sight.

Glory to God in the highest
And peace to his people on earth,
Lord God, heavenly King almighty God and Father
We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
That takest away the Sin of the world.
Have Mercy upon us.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,
Have Mercy upon us.

Almighty God, you have poured upon us
the new light of your incarnate Word:
Grant that this light, enkindled in our hearts,
may shine forth in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord,
Heavenly Father, you have made us for yourself,
and our hearts are restless until they rest in you:
Look with compassion upon the heartfelt desires
of your servants, and purify our disordered affections,
that we may behold your eternal glory in the face of Christ Jesus;

II. SCRIPTURE

Blessed Jesus at thy Word,
We are gathered all to hear thee
Let our hearts and souls be stirred
All to seek and love and fear Thee
By thy Gospel pure and holy
Teach us Lord, to love Thee solely

Gracious Lord thyself impart
Light of light from God proceeding
Open up our ears and heart,
Help us by thy Spirit pleading
Thou alone to God can win us
Thou must work all good within us.

THE PSALM *this or other psalms*

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.
He makes me lie down in green pastures.
He leads me beside still waters.
He restores my soul.
He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.
Even though I walk through the valley
of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil, for you are with me;
your rod and your staff, they comfort me.
You prepare a table before me

in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life,
and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

The Lord is my light and my salvation,
Whom then shall I fear
The Lord is the strength of my life
Of whom then shall I be afraid?
When the wicked, even my enemies and my foes
Came upon me to eat up my flesh
They stumbled and fell
Though a host were encamped against me
Yet my heart would not be afraid
And though war rose up against,
Yet would I put my trust in Him
One thing I desired of the Lord,
One thing I seek
That I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the day of my life
To behold the fair beauty of the Lord
And to seek Him in His temple

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.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

And the LORD appointed a great fish to swallow up Jonah. And Jonah was in the belly of the fish three days and three nights. Then Jonah prayed to the LORD his God from the belly of the fish, saying, "I called out to the LORD, out of my distress,

and he answered me; out of the belly of Sheol I cried, and you heard my voice. For you cast me into the deep, into the heart of the seas, and the flood surrounded me; all your breakers and your waves passed over me. Then I said, 'I am driven away from your sight; yet I shall again look upon your holy temple.' The waters closed in over me to take my life; the deep surrounded me; weeds were wrapped about my head. To the roots of the mountains I went down, to the land whose bars closed upon me forever. Yet you brought up my life from the pit, O LORD my God. When my life was fainting away, I remembered the LORD, and my prayer came to you, into your holy temple. Those who pay regard to vain idols forsake their hope of steadfast love. But I with the voice of thanksgiving will sacrifice to you; what I have vowed I will pay. Salvation belongs to the LORD!" And the LORD spoke to the fish, and it vomited Jonah out upon the dry land.

The word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Blessed be the God of Israel,
who comes to set us free
And raises up new hope for us,
a branch from David's tree
So have the prophets long declared,
that with His mighty arm
God would turn back our enemies,
and all that wish us harm
With promised Mercy will God still
the covenant recall,
The oath once sworn to Abraham
from foes to save us all
That we might worship without fear
and offer lives of praise
In holiness and righteousness,
to serve God all our days
My child as prophet of the Lord
you will prepare the way
To tell God's people they are saved
from sins eternal sway
Then shall God's mercy from on high,
shine forth and never cease
To drive away the gloom of death,
and lead us into peace.

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

See what kind of love the Father has given to us,
that we should be called children of God; and so we are.
The reason why the world does not know us
is that it did not know him.
Beloved, we are God's children now,
and what we will be has not yet appeared;
but we know that when he appears we shall be like him,
because we shall see him as he is.
And everyone who thus hopes in him
purifies himself as he is pure. *1 John 3:1-3*

The word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

CANTICLE

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,
My spirit rejoices in God my savior,
For He has looked with favor on
His holy servant

For behold, from now on, all generations will call me blessed;
For he that is mighty has magnified me, and holy is his Name.
And his mercy is on those who fear him,
throughout all generations.
He has shown the strength of his arm;
He has scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.
He has brought down the mighty from their thrones,
and has exalted the humble and meek.
He has filled the hungry with good things,
and the rich he has sent empty away.
He, remembering his mercy, has helped his servant Israel,
as he promised to our fathers,Abraham and his seed for ever.

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,
My spirit rejoices in God my savior,
For He has looked with favor on
His holy servant

GOSPEL LESSON

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made. In him was life, and the life was the light of men. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness, to bear witness about the light, that all might believe through him. He was not the light, but came to bear witness about the light. The true light, which gives light to everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made through him, yet the world did not know him. He came to his own, and his own people did not receive him. But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God, who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God. And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth. (John bore witness about him, and cried out, "This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me ranks before me, because he was before me.'") For from his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God; the only God, who is at the Father's side, he has made him known.

The Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you Lord Christ

SONG OF SIMEON

Lord, you now have set your servant free,
To go in peace as you have promised
For these eyes of mine have seen the Savior
Whom you have prepared for all the world to see,
A light to enlighten the nation,
And the glory of your people Israel.

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ,
his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He 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,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again 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.

You O Christ are the King of glory
The only Son of the Father
When you took on flesh to set us free
You humbly chose the virgins womb
You overcame the sting of death
And opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers
Come then Lord and help your people
Bought with the price of your own blood
And bring us with your saints
To glory everlasting

III. CONFESSION

Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;
Govern and uphold them, now and always.
Day by day we bless you;
We praise your name for ever.
Lord, keep us from all sin today;
Have mercy upon us, Lord, have mercy.
Lord, show us your love and mercy;
For we put our trust in you.
In you, Lord, is our hope;
Let us never be put to shame.

From all blindness of heart
From all sinful and disordered affections
From the deceits of the world the
Flesh and the devil

Good Lord deliver us
Good Lord deliver us

Lord God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ
triumphed over the powers of death and prepared for us
our place in the new Jerusalem:
Grant that we, who have this day
Given thanks for his resurrection,
may praise you in that City
of which he is the light, and where he lives and reigns

for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Lighten our darkness, we beseech you, O Lord;
and by your great mercy defend us from all perils
and dangers of this night; for the love of your only Son,
our Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

O Christ you are both light and day
You drive away the shadowed night
As daystar you precede the dawn
The herald of the light to come

Keep watch, dear Lord, with those who work,
or watch, or weep this night,
and give your angels charge over those who sleep.
Tend the sick, Lord Christ;
give rest to the weary, bless the dying,
soothe the suffering, pity the afflicted, shield the joyous;
and all for your love's sake. **Amen.**

Chriet be with me, Christ within me
Christ begin me, Christ before me
Christ beside me Christ to win me
Christ to comfort and restore me

Lord Jesus, stay with us,for evening is at hand
and the day is past; be our companion in the way,
kindle our hearts, and awaken hope,
that we may know you as you are revealed in Scripture
and the breaking of bread.
Grant this for the sake of your love. **Amen.**

Be known to us Lord Jesus
In the breaking of the bread

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
That we may delight in your will
And walk in your ways, to the glory of your name.
Seek the Lord while He wills to be found
Call upon Him when He draws near
Let the wicked forsake their ways
And the evil ones their thoughts
And let them turn to the Lord
And he will have compassion.

Almighty God have mercy on us,
Forgive us all ours sins through our Lord Jesus Christ,
Strengthen us in all goodness,
And by the power of the Holy Spirit, keep us in eternal life.

Bread of the World, in Mercy broken
Wine of the soul, in Mercy shed
By whom the words of life were spoken
And in whose death, our sins are dead

IV. COMMUNION

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost

The Lord be with you
And also with you
Lift up your hearts
We lift them up to the Lord
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God
It is right to give Him thanks and praise

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.
Because you sent your Beloved Son,
To redeem us from sin and death,
And to make us heirs in him of everlasting life.
That when he shall come again
In power and in great glory to judge the world.
We may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing.

For our sins he was lifted high upon the Cross
That he might draw the whole world to himself
And by his suffering and death
He became the author of eternal salvation
For all who put their trust in Him.

Therefore we praise you,
joining our voices with Angels and Archangels
and with all the company of heaven,
who for ever sing this hymn
to proclaim the glory of your Name:

THE SANCTUS

Holy holy holy Lord
God of power and might
Heaven and earth are full of your glory
Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

Holy and gracious Father:
In your infinite love you made us for yourself;
and when we had sinned against you 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 dies 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.

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."
Therefore we proclaim
The mystery of faith
Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father,
in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving,
and we offer you these gifts.
Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit
to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son.
Sanctify us also, that we may worthily 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.
And now as our Savior Christ has taught us,
we are bold to pray:

Our Father, who are 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 Forever and ever. Amen.

Intercessor, friend of sinners,
Earth's redeemer, plead for me

THE FRACTION

Christ our Passover lamb has been sacrificed,
Once for all upon the cross
Therefore let us keep the feast

He will give to all, the faithful,
His own self for heavenly food

AGNUS DEI

Jesus Lamb of God have Mercy on us
Jesus bearer of our sin, have Mercy on us
Jesus redeemer, redeemer of the world
Give us your peace, give us your peace

THE MINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

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.
Behold the Lamb of God,
behold him who takes away
the sins of the world.
Blessed are those who are invited
to the marriage supper of the Lamb.
The body of Christ, the bread of heaven
The blood of Christ, the cup of salvation

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray

Heavenly Father,
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.

Once earthly joy I craved
Sought peace and rest
Now the alone I seek
Do what is best
This is my prayer and plea
More love O Christ to thee
More love to thee, more love to thee

THE BLESSING

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 among you, and remain with you always. Amen.

Christ is risen from the dead
Christ is risen from the dead
Christ is risen from the dead
By death He trampled death
By death He trampled death
And to those caught in the tombs
And to those caught in the tombs
He's granted He's granted
He's granted life

THE DISMISSAL
Let us go forth in name of Christ
Thanks be to God