

## ***An order of service for Morning Prayer***

### ***Gathering to worship***

#### ***Opening Hymn***

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

**All    and also with you.**

O Lord, open our lips

**All    and our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

Give us the joy of your saving help

**All    and sustain us with your life-giving Spirit.**

We have come together in the name of Christ  
to offer our praise and thanksgiving,  
to hear and receive God's holy word,  
to pray for the needs of the world,  
and to seek the forgiveness of our sins,  
that by the power of the Holy Spirit  
we may give ourselves to the service of God.

Jesus says, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven  
is close at hand.' So let us turn away from our  
sin and turn to Christ, confessing our sins in  
penitence and faith.

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

May the Father of all mercies  
cleanse you from your sins,  
and restore you in his image  
to the praise and glory of his name,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All Amen.**

Blessed is the Lord,  
**All for he has heard the voice of our prayer;**

therefore shall our hearts dance for joy

**All and in our song will we praise our God.**

Blessed are you, Lord our God,  
creator and redeemer of all;  
to you be glory and praise for ever.  
From the waters of chaos you drew forth the  
world and in your great love fashioned us in  
your image.  
Now, through the deep waters of death, you  
have brought your people to new birth  
by raising your Son to life in triumph.  
May Christ your light ever dawn in our hearts

as we offer you our sacrifice of thanks and praise. Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit:

**All Blessed be God for ever.**

### ***Readings***

*Please sit for the first reading*

*At the end of the reading the reader will say*

This is the word of the Lord

**All: Thanks be to God.**

### **HYMN**

*Please sit for the second reading*

*At the end of the reading the reader will say*

This is the word of the Lord

**All: Thanks be to God.**

### **The Sermon**

## The Creed

**All I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our  
Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the  
dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting.  
Amen.**

## Prayers of intercession

*The service continues with the Lord's Prayer*

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name;  
thy kingdom come; thy will be done;  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,**

**as we forgive those who trespass  
against us.  
And lead us not into temptation;  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
the power and the glory,  
for ever and ever.      Amen.**

## **HYMN**

Let us bless the Lord  
**All      thanks be to God.**

**All:      Blessing, honour and glory be yours,  
here and everywhere,  
now and for ever.  
Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**All:      In the name of Christ. Amen**