



Order of Service for Online Minster Services from January 2021

The online service is available on the Welcome page of www.alcesterminster.org

When you are ready, start the video of the online service



The following prayer to prepare for worship will appear near the start of the online service.

Prayer of preparation before the service

**Lord of the earth and everything in it ,
creator of the land and sea:
cleanse our hands and purify our hearts ,
that we may stand in your presence and worship you:
may we seek your face and receive your blessing :
for you are the Lord almighty, the King of glory -
and we open the doors of our hearts as you come among us.
Amen**

Welcome and introduction

The service leader introduces the service.

O give thanks to the Lord and call upon his name:

make known his deed among the people.

Sing to Him, sing praises to Him:

tell of all his wonderful works .

There may be a short period of silence and a prayer

**Oh Lord, whose mercy reaches to the heavens,
whose faithfulness knows no end:
let the greatness of your love be known to us,
that we may worship you with wonder, joy and thanksgiving
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

The Collect for the day

The set Church of England prayer for the day is said. [This can be found on the Notice Sheet for the day.]

Confession

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

Absolution

The service leader says a prayer confirming that God forgives when we confess our faults.

First Hymn

Children and Families special activity (when available)

Beth Clarke, our Children and Families Worker presents an item for younger people, but beneficial for all ages!



Bible Reading – one of the set readings for the day

[The readings for the day can be found on the Notice Sheet for the day]



Talk

Time to reflect and respond to God

This may include saying the creed together, listening to music or a poem, reading a Psalm, hearing about someone's experience of being a Christian or sharing Spiritual Communion.

Creed (when used)

**Christ died for our sins
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he was buried;
he was raised to life on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures;
afterwards he appeared to his followers,
and to all the apostles:
this we have received,
and this we believe. Amen.**

(cf 1 Corinthians 15.3-7)

Spiritual Communion shared prayer (when used):

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

Prayers

Each prayer will finish with the follow:

Lord in your mercy
Hear our prayer

The prayers will conclude by saying together the prayer that our Lord Jesus taught us:



**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.**

Conclusion and Blessing

Final Hymn