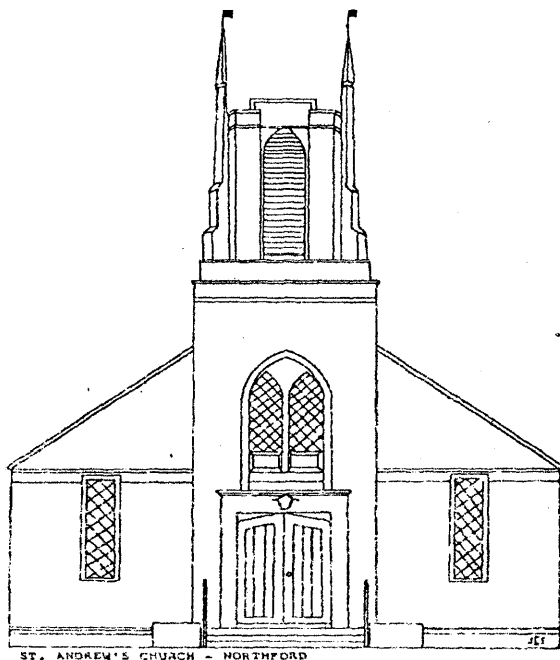


***CELEBRATION OF  
HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II***



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# ***The Holy Eucharist: Rite II***

## **Opening Hymn**

## **The Word of God**

*The people standing, the Officiant says*

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

**People** And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. *Amen.*

*In place of above, from Easter Day through the Day of Pentecost*

*Officiant* Alleluia. Christ is risen.

**People** The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

*In Lent and on other penitential occasions*

*Officiant* Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

**People** His mercy endures forever.

## **Collect of Purity – Officiant and People**

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 your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **Gloria in Excelsis - Standing**

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.

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.

*On other occasions the following is used*

Lord, have mercy upon us.  
**Christ, have mercy upon us.**  
Lord have mercy upon us.

*or*

Kyrie eleison.  
**Christe eleison.**  
Kyrie eleison.

*or this*  
Holy God,  
Holy and Mighty,  
Holy Immortal One,  
**Have mercy upon us.**

## **The Collect of the Day**

*Officiant* The Lord be with you.  
**People** And also with you.  
*Officiant* Let us pray.

## **The Lessons – The people sit**

### **Old Testament Reading – See Insert**

Reader           The Word of the Lord.

**People**           Thanks be to God.

**The Psalm** – *See Insert*

**New Testament Reading** – *See Insert*

Reader            The Word of the Lord.

**People**            Thanks be to God.

## **Sequence Hymn**

*Then, all standing, the Deacon or a Priest reads the Gospel, first saying*

**The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to**

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**People**            Glory to you, Lord Christ.

*After the Gospel, the Reader says...*

                          The Gospel of the Lord.

**People**            Praise to you, Lord Christ.

## **The Sermon**

*On Sundays and other Major Feasts there follows, all standing...*

## **The Nicene Creed** (*Standing*)

We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,

begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the Prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world  
to come. Amen.

## **Prayers of the People** - *Reader will choose from Forms below*

### **Form II**

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our  
Bishop(s) \_\_\_\_\_; for this gathering; and for all ministers and  
people. Pray for the Church.

Silence

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among the nations, and  
for the well-being of all people. Pray for justice and peace.

Silence

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

I ask prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. Pray for those in any need or trouble.

Silence

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him. Pray that they may find and be found by him.

Silence

I ask your prayers for the departed (especially \_\_\_\_\_). Pray for those who have died.

*Silence - Members of the congregation may ask for prayers or thanksgivings*

I ask your prayers for \_\_\_\_\_

I ask your thanksgiving for \_\_\_\_\_

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored (especially \_\_\_\_\_ whom we remember today.) Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

Silence                    *The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

**Form IV** – Deacon or other Leader

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy  
*Hear our prayer*

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy  
*Hear our prayer*

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy  
*Hear our prayer*

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy  
*Hear our prayer*

Comfort and Heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them to the joy of your salvation.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy  
*Hear our prayer*

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy  
*Hear our prayer*

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

**Form VI** – *Leader and People Pray Responsively*

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;  
*For our families, friends, and neighbors and those who are alone*

For this community, the nation, and the world;  
*For all who work for justice, freedom and peace.*

For the just and proper use of your creation;  
*For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.*

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;  
*For those who minister to the sick, the friendless and the needy.*

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;  
*For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.*

For our presiding Bishop, and our Bishops; and all bishops and  
other ministers;  
*For all who serve God in his Church.*

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence     *The people may add their own petitions*

Hear us O'Lord;  
*For your mercy is great.*

Silence

We will exalt you, O God our King;  
*And praise your Name for ever and ever.*

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Lord, let your loving kindness be upon them;  
*Who put their trust in you.*

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of sins.

## **Confession of Sin** *(sit or kneel)*

*Celebrant:* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor

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. Amen.

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through  
our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the  
power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen*

## **The Peace** - *All stand.*

*Officiant*    The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*People*        And also with you.

## **Announcements** *(Seated)*

**Offertory Hymn** – *Representatives of the Congregation  
bring offerings of bread and wine, and money or other gifts,  
to the deacon or celebrant. The people stand while the  
offerings are presented and placed on the Altar.*

# The Great Thanksgiving

## Eucharistic Prayer A

*The people remain standing.*

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

**People** And also with you.

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

**People** We lift them to the Lord.

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People** 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.

*Here a Proper Preface is sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.*

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:

### ***Celebrant and People***

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

### ***The people stand or kneel.***

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin 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 die 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.

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:

### ***Celebrant and People***

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

### ***The Celebrant continues***

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully 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 say,

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 Breaking of the Bread**

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.*

[Alleluia.] Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

***Therefore let us keep the feast. [Alleluia.]***

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.

**The Communion –** (All persons are invited to receive Communion)

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. [*Amen.*]

The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. [*Amen.*]

Let us pray.

***Celebrant and People – (Standing)***

Eternal God, heavenly Father,  
you have graciously accepted us as living members  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,  
and you have fed us with spiritual food  
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.  
Send us now into the world in peace,  
and grant us strength and courage  
to love and serve you  
with gladness and singleness of heart;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **The Blessing**

## **Closing Hymn**

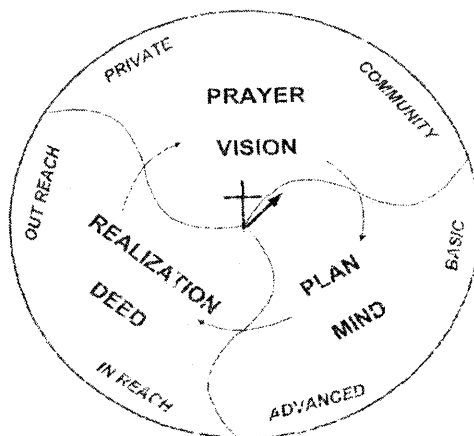
## **The Dismissal**

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

**People** Thanks be to God.

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