

Giving of Communion

The president says this or another invitation to communion

Jesus is the Lamb of God

who takes away the sin of the world.

Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

All **Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

This prayer may be said before the distribution

All **We do not presume
to come to this your table, merciful Lord,
trusting in our own righteousness,
but in your manifold and great mercies.
We are not worthy
so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table.
But you are the same Lord
whose nature is always to have mercy.
Grant us therefore, gracious Lord,
so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ
and to drink his blood,
that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body,
and our souls washed through his most precious blood,
and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us.
Amen.**

The president and people receive communion.

*Authorized words of distribution are used and the communicant
replies*

Amen.

The Eucharistic Prayer

Prayer E

The Lord be with you

All **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts

All **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

Here follows a Proper Preface or the following

Father, you made the world and love your creation.

You gave your Son Jesus Christ to be our Saviour.

His dying and rising have set us free from sin and death.

And so we gladly thank you,

with saints and angels praising you, and saying:

All **Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.**

We praise and bless you, loving Father,

through Jesus Christ, our Lord;

and as we obey his command,

send your Holy Spirit,

that broken bread and wine outpoured

may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died he had supper with his friends
and, taking bread, he praised you.

He broke the bread, gave it to them and said:

Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;

do this in remembrance of me.

Before the service ...

A prayer to help us prepare for the sacrament we celebrate

Almighty and eternal God,
without beginning and without end,
mighty in your works,
who is in all places and with all beings,
be with us also, O Lord, in this hour,
and stand in the midst of us all.
Purify our hearts and sanctify our souls,
and grant us to offer you acceptable offerings in your service,
and may our sacrifices of praise rise to you as incense;
make us worthy to minister in holiness and righteousness
before your goodness, all the days of our life. Amen.

adapted from the Coptic Liturgy

After the service ...

Prayers to help us thank God for his blessings and to ask for his continuing presence with us

Lord Jesus Christ,
we thank you for all the benefits you have won for us,
for all the pain and insults you have borne for us.
Most merciful redeemer, friend and brother,
may we know you more clearly, love you more dearly,
and follow you more nearly, day by day. Amen.

attributed to St Richard of Chichester, circa 1197-1253

Lord God,
in this celebration you have fed us with life and hope,
grant us in this life a heart to love you,
faith to trust you,
and a will to obey you,
and in the world to come eternal joy,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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Holy Communion

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The Greeting

The peace of the Lord be always with you
All and also with you.

Prayer of Preparation

All Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hidden:
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.

Prayers of Penitence

God shows his love for us in that when we were still sinners,
Christ died for us. Let us then show our love for him by
confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

All Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against you
and against our neighbour,
in thought and word and deed,
through negligence, through weakness,
through our own deliberate fault.
We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
who died for us,
forgive us all that is past,
and grant that we may serve you in newness of life
to the glory of your name. Amen.

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent,
have mercy upon you,
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in life eternal;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

The Collect

The collect or special prayer for the day is said, and all respond

All **Amen.**

The Reading

The Gospel reading is read.

The Prayers

Intercessions are offered for the church and the world. The following response may be used

Lord, in your mercy

All **hear our prayer.**

And at the end

Merciful Father,

All **accept these prayers, for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

Preparation of the Table

Taking of the Bread and Wine

The table is prepared.

This or another suitable prayer may be said

Pour upon the poverty of our love
and the weakness of our praise
the transforming fire of your presence.

All **Amen.**

The president takes the bread and wine.

Prayer after Communion

Silence is kept.

The Post Communion or the following prayer, or another suitable prayer, is said.

All **Almighty God,
we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies
to be a living sacrifice.
Send us out
in the power of your Spirit
to live and work
to your praise and glory.
Amen.**

Conclusion

The president may use a suitable blessing, or

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 upon you and remain with you always.

All **Amen.**

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine.
Again he praised you, 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.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did,
in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice
made once for all upon the cross.

Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation,
we proclaim his death and resurrection
until he comes in glory.

Great is the mystery of faith:
All **Christ has died:**
Christ is risen:
Christ will come again.

Lord of all life,
help us to work together for that day
when your kingdom comes
and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.

Look with favour on your people,
gather us in your loving arms
and bring us with [N and] all the saints
to feast at your table in heaven.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father,
for ever and ever.

All **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us

All **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.**

Breaking of the Bread

The president breaks the consecrated bread.

We break this bread
to share in the body of Christ.

All **Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

The Agnus Dei may be used as the bread is broken.

All **Jesus, Lamb of God,
have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, bearer of our sins,
have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, redeemer of the world,
grant us peace.**