Holy Communion Order One

[HARVEST 2010] [Setting – Mass of St. Thomas]

The Gathering

Welcome

Prayer of Preparation

[Marks a time of stillness before the beginning of the service]

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.

HYMN

The president may say

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. *All* **Amen.**

The president greets the people
The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Prayers of Penitence

Invitation to Confession

God's whole creation groans. The land produces thorns and thistles and is ready for burning. Our sin affects all around us. We confess our sin in penitence and faith.

Confession

We confess our sin, and the sins of our society, in the misuse of God's creation.

God our Father, we are sorry for the times when we have used your gifts carelessly, and acted ungratefully.

Hear our prayer, and in your mercy:

forgive us and help us.

We enjoy the fruits of the harvest, but sometimes forget that you have given them to us.

Father, in your mercy:

forgive us and help us.

We belong to a people who are full and satisfied, but ignore the cry of the hungry. Father, in your mercy:

forgive us and help us.

We are thoughtless, and do not care enough for the world you have made. Father, in your mercy:

forgive us and help us.

We store up goods for ourselves alone, as if there were no God and no heaven. Father, in your mercy:

forgive us and help us.

+The president gives the absolution All Amen.

Gloria in Excelsis [Please stand]

Glory to God, Glory to God in the Highest

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.

Glory to God, Glory to God in the Highest

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.

Glory to God, Glory to God in the Highest

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.

Glory to God, Glory to God in the Highest

The Collect [Please sit or kneel]

The president introduces a period of silent prayer.

The Collect is said.
All Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word
[See Sunday Sheet]

Readings [Please sit]
[One or both readings may be used]
Old Testament Lesson

New Testament Lesson

At the end the reader may say
This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

HYMN or RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Gospel Reading [Please stand]

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to *N*.

All Glory to you, O Lord.

At the end

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

All

The Nicene Creed [Please stand]

All 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, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who 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 Intercession [Please sit or kneel]

(Let us pray to God, the Lord of the Harvest, that he will bring to fruition all that he desires for his creation,) Father, Lord of creation:

in your mercy, hear us.

And at the end

Merciful Father.

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

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace [Please stand]

Peacemakers who sow in peace raise a harvest of righteousness. The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

The congregation may exchange the sign of peace.

OFFERTORY HYMN [During which a collection is taken] **Preparation of the Table**

[The bread and wine are brought to the altar]

Eucharistic Prayer D

The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give thanks and praise.

Almighty God, good Father to us all, your face is turned towards your world. In love you gave us Jesus your Son to rescue us from sin and death. Your Word goes out to call us home to the city where angels sing your praise. And now we give you thanks because all things are of your making, all times and seasons obey your laws, but you have chosen to create us in your own image, setting us over the whole world in all its wonder. You have made us stewards of your creation, to praise you day by day for the marvels of your wisdom and power: so earth unites with heaven to sing the new song of creation:

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

Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.

Father of all, we give you thanks for every gift that comes from heaven. To the darkness Jesus came as your light. With signs of faith and words of hope he touched untouchables with love and washed the guilty clean.

This is his story.

All This is our song: Hosanna in the highest.

The crowds came out to see your Son, yet at the end they turned on him. On the night he was betrayed he came to table with his friends to celebrate the freedom of your people.

This is his story.

All This is our song: Hosanna in the highest.

Jesus blessed you Father, for the food; he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and said: This is my body, given for you all. Jesus then gave thanks for the wine; he took the cup, gave it and said: This is my blood, shed for you all for the forgiveness of sins. Do this in remembrance of me.

This is our story.

All This is our song: Hosanna in the highest.

Therefore, Father, with this bread and this cup we celebrate the cross on which he died to set us free. Defying death he rose again and is alive with you to plead for us and all the world

This is our story.

All This is our song: Hosanna in the highest.

Send your Spirit on us now that by these gifts we may feed on Christ with opened eyes and hearts on fire. May we and all who share this food offer ourselves to live for you and be welcomed at your feast in heaven where all creation worships you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit:

All Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours for ever and ever. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray

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

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.

Agnus Dei

All Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

Giving of Communion

The president says the 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.

Prayer of humble access

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.

HYMN / ANTHEM [May be sung during communion]

Post Communion Prayer [See Sunday Sheet]

Silence is kept.

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.

Notices / Young Church share with us

HYMN

The Dismissal

Blessing

+ The president gives the blessing

All Amen.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.