

The General Thanksgiving

BCP 101

Officiant and People together

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.

And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

BCP 102

Officiant: Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

Officiant:

May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** *Romans 15:13*

The Recessional Hymn

See Hymn Board

Officiant: Alleluia! Alleluia! Let us bless the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!**

Postlude

Organ

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Prelude

Organ

Processional

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Greetings

Opening Acclamation

BCP 77

Officiant: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

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

Officiant: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ. Philippians 1:2

Gloria (*Gloria in excelsis*) (*sung*)

BCP 94-95 (Hymnal S-280)

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.

Confession of Sin

BCP 79

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence is kept.

Officiant and People together,

(standing or kneeling as you are able)

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.

The Officiant says:

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

Leader: For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

People: **For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

Leader: For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

People: **For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

Leader: For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, and Andy, Jeff, Hector, and Kai, our Bishops; and for all bishops and other ministers;

People: **For all who serve God in his Church.**

Leader: For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence may be kept or the People may add their needs and concerns aloud.

Leader: Hear us, Lord;

People: **For your mercy is great.**

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

Silence may be kept or the People may add their thanksgivings aloud.

Leader: We will exalt you, O God our King;

People: **And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

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

Silence may be kept or the People may add their own petitions aloud.

Leader: Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

People: **Who put their trust in you.**

Collect for Guidance

BCP 832

Heavenly Father, in you we live and move and have our being: We humbly pray you so to guide and govern us by your Holy Spirit, that in all the cares and occupations of our life we may not forget you, but may remember that we are ever walking in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Prayer for Those in the Armed Forces

BCP 823

Almighty God, we commend to your gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad. Defend them day by day with your heavenly grace; strengthen them in their trials and temptations; give them courage to face the perils which beset them; and grant them a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

V. Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;
R. Govern and uphold them, now and always.
V. Day by day we bless you;
R. We praise your name for ever.
V. Lord, keep us from all sin today;
R. Have mercy upon us, Lord, have mercy.
V. Lord, show us your love and mercy;
R. For we put our trust in you.
V. In you, Lord, is our hope;
R. And we shall never hope in vain.

The Officiant then says the following Collect

A Collect for Sundays

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Officiant and People together

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

Prayers of the People - Form VI

The Leader and People pray responsively

Leader: In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

Leader: For all people in their daily life and work;

People: *For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.*

Leader: For this community, the nation, and the world;

People: *For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.*

Leader: For the just and proper use of your creation;

People: *For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.*

The Invitatory and Psalter

Officiant: Lord, open our lips.

People: *And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.*

Officiant and People,

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Officiant: Alleluia. The Lord is risen indeed:

People: *Come let us adore him. Alleluia.*

All saying together:

Venite *Psalms 95: 1-7*

Come, let us sing to the Lord; *

Let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.

Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving *

And raise a loud shout to him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God, *

And a great King above all gods.

In his hand are the caverns of the earth, *

And the heights of the hills are his also.

The sea is his, for he made it, *

And his hands have molded the dry land.

Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, *

And kneel before the Lord our Maker.

For he is our God,

And we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. *

Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *

as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

(children may go to children's church at this time)

The Lessons

The Collect of the Day

The First Lesson

See Insert

After the reading:

Reader: The Word of the Lord
People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm

See Insert

The Second Lesson

See Insert

After the reading:

Reader: The Word of the Lord
People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Sequence Hymn

See Hymn Board

The Gospel

See Insert

At the Gospel reading:

Officiant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to ____.
People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

After the Gospel is read:

Officiant: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sequence Hymn

See Hymn Board

The Peace *All stand.*

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

(Greet one another in the Lord's name)

Announcements/Birthdays/Anniversaries

Offertory Sentence

BCP 376

Officiant: Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

Musical Offering

Organ

Doxology

Hymnal 380, v.3

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

The Apostles' Creed

BCP 96

The Officiant invites the People to say together,

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth;
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.
He 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, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again 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.**

The Prayers

BCP 97-98

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

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

The Lord's Prayer

BCP 97

Officiant and People together:

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.