



We say together the text in **bold type**

from 'Gathering Rites for the Paschal Cycle: **GATHERING**

Priest Alleluia! Christ is risen.
All **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Priest May Christ's grace and peace be with you.
All **May Christ fill our hearts with joy!**

Thanksgiving for Baptism

Standing at the font, the Presiding Priest continues,
Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism,
we are born from above
as members of a new creation.
Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

Water is poured into the font.

Priest We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water.
Over water the Holy Spirit moved
in the beginning of creation.
Through water you led the children of Israel
out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise.
In water your Son Jesus received the baptism of John
and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah,
the Christ, to lead us,
through his death and resurrection,
from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.
We thank you, Father, for the water of baptism.
In it we are buried with Christ in his death.
By it we share in his resurrection.
Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit.
Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son,
we celebrate our fellowship in him in faith.
We pray that all who have passed through
the water of baptism may continue for ever
in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Saviour.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be all honour and glory, now and for ever.
All **Amen.**

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.
All **And also with you.**

Gloria in Excelsis

People may be sprinkled with water from the font

Priest Rejoicing with hearts full of praise,
together we say (sing):
**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**

Collect (Opening Prayer)

Priest Let us pray:

A moment of silence is kept for personal prayer. The Presiding Priest then prays the Collect for the Day, and we make it our own by responding, "Amen".

LITURGY OF THE WORD

The appointed readings for the Revised Common Lectionary are shared.



First Reading

The reading is announced, "A reading from the book of....."

At the end of the reading, the reader says,

Reader The word of the Lord

All **Thanks be to God**

Psalm

The Psalm set for the day is then read, either with a refrain, or read responsively by half or whole verse.

Second Reading

The reading is announced, "A reading from....."

At the end of the reading, the reader says,

The word of the Lord

All **Thanks be to God**

Gospel Reading

The Gospel reading is usually read by the deacon where one is present, or by the Presiding Priest or assisting minister.

The Lord be with you

All **and also with you.**

The holy gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to...

All **+Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

The Gospel for the Day is proclaimed.

The gospel of Christ

All **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

*A **SERMON** is preached*

Nicene Creed

Priest Let us confess our faith, as we say,

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:
 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.
 With the Father and the Son
 he is worshipped 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 (Intercessions)

A deacon or lay person leads the Prayers of the People, praying for the Church, the world and its leaders, the local community, those in need, and the departed.

If a short litany is selected from pp. 110–127 in the BAS these should not be used on their own, but rather modified and adapted in accordance with local need. Alternatively, extempore forms of prayer may be used.

The following, or an alternative may be used during the prayers:

Lord of life
 All **hear us as we pray**

LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

The altar is made ready and the Offering gathered.

Prayer over the Gifts

When the gifts have been prepared, the Presiding Priest says a prayer over the gifts, and the people make it their own by responding, “Amen”.

The Great Thanksgiving (Eucharistic Prayer 3)

Priest The Lord be with you
 All **and also with you.**

Priest Lift up your hearts
 All **we lift them to the Lord.**

Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God
 All **it is right to give our thanks and praise**

The Presiding Priest praises God for God’s mighty acts in Jesus Christ, then everyone joins in praising God together:

All **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.**

In words and actions the Presiding Priest recalls the Last Supper, until either the deacon or priest says,

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith.
**Christ has died. Christ is risen.
 Christ will come again.**

OR

Therefore we proclaim our hope.
 All **Dying you destroyed our death,
 rising you restored our life.
 Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

At the conclusion of the prayer, all respond, “Amen”.

The Lord’s Prayer

Priest As our Saviour taught us, we are bold to say:
**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.
 Save us from the time of trial,
 and deliver us from evil.
 For the kingdom, the power,
 and the glory are yours, now and for ever.
 Amen.**

Breaking of the Bread

The Presiding Priest breaks the consecrated bread, and may say,
 We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.
 All **We, being many, are one body,
 for we all share in the one bread.**

The Communion

The Presiding Priest invites the people to communion and may say,
 Priest Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
 All **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

The celebrant and people receive communion.

Prayer after Communion

Priest All your works praise you, O Lord.
 All **And your faithful servants bless you.**

All **Gracious God we thank you for feeding us
 with the body & blood of your Son Jesus Christ.
 May we, who share his body, live his risen life;
 we, who drink his cup, bring life to others;
 we, whom the Spirit lights, give light to the world.
 Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,
 so that we and all your children shall be free,
 and the whole earth live to praise your name;
 through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Blessing and Dismissal

Priest The God of peace, who brought again from the dead
 our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep,
 make you perfect in every good work to do his will,
 working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight:
 and the blessing of God almighty, the +Father, the Son,
 and the Holy Spirit, be upon you this and every day.
 All **Amen.**

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
 Alleluia, alleluia!

All **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!**