



A SERVICE FOR  
**HEALING**

## A Service of Healing

### The Word of God

*The people standing, the Celebrant says*

Blessed be God; Father, Son, and Holy Spirit  
People *And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.*

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

Celebrant *Alleluia! Christ is risen!*  
People *The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!*

*In Lent and on other penitential occasions*

Celebrant *Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.*  
People *His mercy endures for ever.*

*The Celebrant may say*

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.

Lord, have mercy.		Kyrie eleison
Christ, have mercy.	or	Christe eleison
Lord, have mercy.		Kyrie eleison

*A reading from either the Old or New Testament follows, and then the Celebrant or Deacon will read the Gospel.*

Celebrant *The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to \_\_\_\_\_.*  
People *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

*After the Gospel, the Reader says*

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

## Litany of Healing

*The Celebrant introduces the Litany with this bidding*

Let us name before God those for whom we offer our prayers.

*The People may name those for whom they are interceding either audibly or silently.*

*A Person appointed then reads the Litany*

God the Father, your will for all people is  
health and salvation;

*We praise you and thank you, O Lord.*

God the Son, you came that we might have life,  
and might have it more abundantly;

*We praise you and thank you, O Lord.*

God the Holy Spirit, you make our bodies the  
temple of your presence;

*We praise you and thank you, O Lord.*

Holy Trinity, one God, in you we live and  
move and have our being;

*We praise you and thank you, O Lord.*

Lord, grant your healing grace to all who are sick, injured, or disabled, that they may be made  
whole;

*Hear us, O Lord of Life.*

Grant to all who seek your guidance, and to all who are lonely, anxious, or despondent, a  
knowledge of your will and an awareness of your presence;

*Hear us, O Lord of Life.*

Mend broken relationships, and restore those in emotional distress to soundness of mind and  
serenity of spirit;

*Hear us, O Lord of Life.*

You are the Lord who does wonders;

*You have declared your power among the peoples*

With you, O Lord, is the well of life;

*And in your light we see light.*

Hear us, O Lord of life;

*Heal us and make us whole.*

Let us pray,

*A period of silence follows*

*The Celebrant concludes the Prayers with the following*

Almighty God, giver of life and health: Send your blessing on all who are sick, and upon those who minister to them, that all weakness may be vanquished by the triumph of the risen Christ; who lives and reigns for ever and ever. *Amen.*

*The Deacon or Celebrant says*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept*

*Minister and People*

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 Bishop when present, or the Priest stands and says*

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.*

## Laying on of Hands and Anointing

*The following anthem is said.*

*Celebrant* Savior of the world, by your cross and precious blood you have redeemed us;

*People* Save us, and help us, we humbly beseech you, O Lord.

*The ministers of the healing then anoint each person who comes to the altar rail with holy oil and uses either the following prayer or they may pray extemporaneously.*

N., I lay my hands upon you [and anoint you with oil] in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, beseeching our Lord Jesus Christ to sustain you with his presence, to drive away all sickness of body and spirit, and to give you that victory of life and peace which will enable you to serve him both now and evermore. Amen.

*After all have received prayer the Celebrant reads the following.*

The Almighty Lord, who is a strong tower to all who put their trust in him, to whom all things in heaven, on earth, and under the earth bow and obey: Be now and evermore your defense, and make you know and feel that the only Name under heaven given for health and salvation is the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

## The Peace

*All stand. The Celebrant says to the people*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Then everyone may greet one another in the name of the Lord*

## Holy Communion

*Celebrant* The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

*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.

*The Celebrant continues*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

And so, we join the saints and angels in proclaiming your glory, and we say,

*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 congregation may now continue standing, or kneel, as this form of piety pertains to each individual.*

*The Celebrant continues*

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.

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."

Recalling now his suffering and death, and celebrating his resurrection and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Accept, O Lord, our sacrifice of praise, this memorial of our redemption.

Send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts. Let them be for us the Body and Blood of your Son. And grant that we who eat this bread and drink this cup may be filled with your life and goodness.

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 . . .

*Celebrant and People*

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*

*A period of silence is kept.*

*Then may be said*

[Alleluia] Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
Therefore let us keep the feast. [Alleluia]

*In Lent the Alleluia is omitted, and may be omitted at other times except during the Easter Season.*

*Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation*

The Gifts of God for the People of God

*and may add* Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in  
your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.*

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*  
Let us pray,

*Celebrant and People*

Gracious Father, we give you praise and thanks for this Holy Communion of the Body and Blood  
of your beloved Son Jesus Christ, the pledge of our redemption; and we pray that it may bring us

forgiveness of our sins, strength in our weakness, and everlasting salvation, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*The service concludes with the following blessing and dismissal*

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your minds and hearts in the knowledge and love of God, and of His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, and the blessing of Almighty God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you now and remain with you always. AMEN.

*Celebrant*        Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*People*            Thanks be to God.

*A Prayer attributed to St. Francis*  
*Book of Common Prayer, page 833, #62*  
*Prayer for Peace*

Lord, make us instruments of your peace.

Where there is hatred, let us sow love;

Where there is injury, pardon;

Where there is discord, union;

Where there is doubt, faith;

Where there is despair, hope;

Where there is darkness, light;

Where there is sadness, joy.

Grant that we may not so much seek to

be consoled as to console;

to be understood as to understand;

to be loved as to love.

For it is in giving that we receive;

it is in pardoning that we are pardoned;

and it is in dying that we

are born to eternal life.

*Amen.*