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THE LITURGY OF THE UNITED EPISCOPAL CATHOLIC COMMUNION
(ANGLICAN APOSTOLIC CHURCH ORDINATE)
(UECC - AAC)

THE EUCHARIST AND THE MASS

(ANGLO-CATHOLIC PRE 1928, 1975 WITH TRADITIONAL EXCERPTS)



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Comments on the service:

Even though the service is designed as Anglican/Catholic all are welcome to bring their own faith/beliefs to the service. For those of faiths that use the pomp and circumstance of the genuflect, signing and kneeling please feel free to do so. You may wish to follow the motions of the priest (with the exception of the genuflect). Use your personal judgment.

Readings, Collects of the Day and other special/seasonal responses will be taken from the 1928 or 1979 BCP. There may be occasions to use the ancient one year calendar in place of the three year calendar.

Prayers of the People and Prayers for the Church may both be read. In certain circumstances, one or the other may be read.

Definition: The Eucharist is the liturgy leading up to the consecration and taking of the body and blood of Christ. The Mass (from Latin) is the liturgy leading up to the dismissal.

Notes:

@ Indicates the start of a logical section of the liturgy

** Prompts for action by the people

<**BOLD** Lettering> Usually indicates a response

+ Indicates the sign of the cross

++ Blessing cross to the people

+++ Bow or cross

@ Opening Hymn if any. ** People Standing

The Priest, fully vested, advances to the alter.
Priest genuflects/crosses

@ The first salutation follows. This is the beginning of the Eucharist/Mass. Priest may stay at foot of alter or proceed to the missal side

Priest (crosses himself)

Blessed be God: + Father, Son, and Holy Spirit

People

And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever.

AMEN

@ Collect for Purity

Priest (with hands Joined)

Let us pray +

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid; cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy Holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

People

AMEN

@ Summary of the Law

Priest

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith. Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it; Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

@ Then shall be said or sung, The Kyrie:

(The penitential act)(may be omitted to use the short form)

Priest

Lord, have mercy (Kyrie, eleison)

People

Lord, have mercy (Kyrie, eleison)

Priest

You came into the world to call all sinners:
Christ, have mercy (Christe, eleison)

People

Christ, have mercy (Christe, eleison)

Priest

You are seated at the right hand of the Father, to be our voice: Lord, have mercy (Kyrie, eleison)

People

Lord, have mercy (Kyrie, eleison)

@ The Kyrie:(Short form)

Priest

Lord have mercy

People

Lord have Mercy

Priest

Christ have mercy

People

Christ Have Mercy

Priest

Lord have mercy

People

Lord have Mercy

Priest

Take away all of our sins, we beg thee Lord. Please guide us to be worthy to enter your Holy of holies; Through Christ our Lord

People

AMEN

@ Gloria in Excelsis (The Gloria may be omitted during Advent and Lent)

Priest moves to the center of the alter

Priest

Glory be to God on high,

People

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 Fa-
ther.

AMEN.

@ Second Salutation

Priest

The Lord be with you.

People

And with thy spirit.

Priest

Let us pray +

@ COLLECT of the Day

Then the priest shall read the appropriate Collects
for the day, at the end of which is said;

Priest

As it was in the beginning is now, and ever shall be, world without end.

People

Amen

@ THE EPISTLE (lessons) Liturgy of the Word (Sit)

Priest, Deacon, or reader (New Testament)

The Lesson is from the book of _____
(reading)

Priest, Deacon, or reader

Here ends the lesson

People

Thanks be to God.

@ Response (Psalms)(People Stand / then seated)
To be read in response between reader and people

Priest, Deacon, or reader (Epistle)

The Epistle is from the book of _____
(reading)

Priest, Deacon, or reader

Here ends the Epistle

People

Thanks be to God.

@ A hymn may be sung (Sequence)(**People standing, and will remain standing through the Gospel)

@ Third Salutation

Priest

The Lord be with you.

People

And with thy Spirit.

@ GOSPEL

**People continue standing

(The priest may stand among the congregation rather than at the altar)

The priest signs above the Gospel. This is a thrice sign, forehead first, lips second, breast third.

Priest

The Holy Gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ according to _____.

People

Glory be to thee, O Lord.

(reading of the Gospel follows)

Priest

Here ends the Gospel of our Lord

People

Praise be to thee, O Christ.

**The people may be seated

@ Sermon/Homily (anciently this was optional)

@ NICENE CREED

**People standing

Priest

Now let us profess our faith with the Nicene Creed

People

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 and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped 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.

** People remain standing

@ The Prayers of the people

The Reader and People pray responsively

Priest

Father, we pray for your Holy Christian Church;

People

That we all may be one.

Priest

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

People

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

Priest

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

People

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

Priest

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

People

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Priest

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

People

That our works may find favor in your sight.

Priest

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

People

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Priest

Give to the departed eternal rest;

People

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

Priest

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

People

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Priest

Let us pray + for our needs and those of others.

** People may now say aloud names of the needy

Priest

Lord, hear the prayers of thy people; and what we have asked faithfully, grant that we may obtain effectually, to the glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People

AMEN

@ Prayers for the church

Priest

Let us pray + for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do

confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops, ministers and deacons, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty. And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to

follow the good examples of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate.

People

Amen.

If there is no celebration of the Communion, or if a priest is not available, the service is concluded

@ Confession of sin

Priest

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Priest and People

Most merciful God,

we confess that we have sinned against thee
in thought, word, and deed,

by what we have done,

and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved thee with our whole heart;

we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ,

have mercy on us and forgive us;

that we may delight in thy will,

and walk in thy ways,

to the glory of thy Name.

AMEN

Priest

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon ++ and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People

AMEN

@ The Peace

Priest

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People

And with thy spirit.

Then the Priest, Deacons and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord. (Peace or Peace be with you)

** People are then seated

@ THE OFFERTORY

Priest

Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

(The bidding)

Priest

Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.

A hymn or music maybe be played. The wine and bread is brought forward, and the offering plate passed. Receipt of the offering.(Priest crosses over the offering plate). ** People now rise

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow 242

Majestically ♩ = 58–72

The musical score is written for a four-part setting in G major and 4/4 time. It consists of two systems of staves. The first system has a vocal line (soprano) and a bass line. The second system also has a vocal line (soprano) and a bass line. The lyrics are: 'Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heav'n-ly host; Praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost.'

Text: Thomas Ken, 1637–1711

Music: Louis Bourgeois, ca. 1510–1561. From *Genfer Psalter*, 16th century.

Psalm 148:1–2, 10–14
Ephesians 1:3

The Priest, standing at the altar, takes the paten with the bread and holds it slightly raised above the altar

Priest

Blessed art thou, O Lord, God of all creation, for of thy bounty have we received this bread which we offer unto thee, fruit of the earth and the work of human hands: whence it shall become for us the bread of life.

People

Blessed be God for ever

The Deacon, or the Priest, pours wine and a little water into the chalice

Priest

By the mystery of this water and wine may we come to share in the divinity of Christ who humbled himself to share in our humanity.

The Priest then takes the chalice and holds it slightly raised above the altar

Priest

Blessed art thou, O Lord, God of all creation, for of thy bounty have we received this wine which we offer unto thee, fruit of the vine and the work of human hands: whence it shall become for us our spiritual drink.

People

Blessed be God for ever

Then the Priest, standing aside, washes his hands

Priest

Wash me thoroughly, O Lord, from my wickedness and cleanse me from my sin. *Psalm 51:2*

Priest

Pray brethren, that this my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to + God the Father almighty.

People

May the Lord receive this sacrifice at thy hands, to the praise and glory of his name, both to our benefit, and that of all his holy Church.

@ The Great Thanksgiving

Here may be said the following communion devotions. They may be omitted.

@ THE COMMUNION DEVOTIONS

Priest

Ye who do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbors, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways; Draw near with faith, and take this holy Sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to Almighty God, devoutly kneeling.

****People may kneel if they wish to do so**

Priest and People

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all men; We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we, from time to time, most grievously have committed, By thought, word, and deed, against thy Divine Majesty, Provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us; the burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For thy Son

our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life. To the honor and glory of thy Name; + through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Priest

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of His great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him; have mercy upon you; pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People

AMEN

****People rise if they did kneel**

@ THE SURSUM CORDA

Priest

The Lord be with you.

People

And with thy Spirit.

Priest

Lift up your hearts.

People

We lift them up unto the Lord.

Priest

Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Priest

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God.

@ THE PROPER PREFACE

Here shall follow the proper preface, if there be one. Proper preface for the season may also be read.

Priest

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.

Here it is proper to ring the bell thrice

** People remain standing

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

@ THE SANCTUS

Priest and People

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts, Heaven and earth are full of thy glory: Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High. + Blessed is he that comes in the name of the Lord. Hosannah in the highest.

@ CANON OF THE MASS – The Consecration

** The people <may> kneel or remain standing

Priest

Therefore, most merciful Father, we humbly pray thee, through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, and we ask, that thou accept and bless these gifts, these offerings, these holy and unblemished sacrifices.

Priest

All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption; who made a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again:

[The bell rings once.]

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks, he + blessed it, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you; Do this in remembrance of me.

[The bell rings thrice for the offering of the Host.]

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he + blessed it and he gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of this; For this is my Blood of the new Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins; Do this as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.

[The bell rings thrice for the offering of the Cup.]

The Priest then genuflects

Priest

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

@ The Oblation

Priest

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

@ The Epiiclesis

Priest

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him. And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord;

Priest signs thrice with the host over the chalice

By + whom, and with + whom, in the + unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

People

AMEN.

Priest genuflects, continues with the Lord's Prayer

@LORDS PRAYER

Priest

Let us Pray + And now as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

Priest 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, now and forever.

Priest and people

AMEN

Priest raises the bread high for all to see and breaks it

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

Priest

[Alleluia.] Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People

Therefore let us keep the feast. [Alleluia.]

Priest (Holding cup and wafer)

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Priest

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People

And with thy spirit.

@ THE AGNUS DEI

Priest and People

O Lamb of God, that takes away the sins of the world: have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takes away the sins of the world: have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takes away the sins of the world: grant us thy peace.

@PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS (Priest may kneel)

Priest

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy: grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy 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.

Priest and People

AMEN

The priest makes his own Communion, or with ministers, and deacons. The bells may ring three times signaling the people to come forward for Communion. Turning to the faithful, the priest says:

Priest

Behold the Lamb of God; behold him that takes away the sins of the world.

Priest

Lord, I am not worthy that thou should come under my roof,

People

but speak the word only and my soul shall be healed.

@HOLY COMMUNION

All adults are welcome to receive communion. The priest communicates to the people with the following words:

[For the Host]

Priest or deacon

(Corpus Christie) The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven.

People

AMEN

[For the Chalice.]

Priest or deacon

(Sanguis Christie) The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation.

People

AMEN

[If the Body and Blood are administered together.]

Priest or deacon

The Body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ keep you in everlasting life.

People

AMEN

** The People here may be seated or kneel in silent prayer as the priest cleanses the vessels.

(Priest) The Ablutions, cleansing the vessels.

@PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Priest

Let us pray +

Almighty and everliving God,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.

And now, Father, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever.

People

AMEN

** People standing

A closing hymn may be sung – Priest stays at alter
– Cross may be exited

@DISMISSAL - BLESSING

Priest

The Peace of God, which passes all understanding,
keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and
love of God, and his son Jesus Christ our Lord: And
the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the ++

Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and be with you always.

Priest (Priest signs)

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

If a recessional song is sung, it may be done here.

If there is to be no final Gospel the following is read, if there is a final Gospel, this is excluded:

Priest

Go in peace, serve the Lord

People

Thanks be to God.

@ The Final Gospel

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made. In him was life, and the life was the light of men. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness, to bear witness about the light, that all might believe through him. He was not the light, but came to bear witness about the light.

The true light, which gives light to everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the

world was made through him, yet the world did not know him. He came to his own, and his own people did not receive him. But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God, who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.

And the <priest genuflects, people may cross> Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth

People

AMEN