

# Scottish Liturgy 1982

with Alternative Eucharistic Prayers

## PREPARATION

- 1 Welcome  
Grace and peace to you from God our Father  
and the Lord Jesus Christ.  
**Amen.**
  
- 2 Peace  
*or at 16*  
We meet in Christ's name.  
**Let us share his peace.**
  
- 3 Collect for Purity †  
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.
  
- 4 Summary of the Law †  
Our Lord Jesus Christ said:  
The first commandment is this:  
"Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is the only Lord.  
You shall love the Lord your God  
with all your heart, with all your soul,  
with all your mind  
and with all Your strength."  
The second is this:  
"Love your neighbour as yourself."  
There is no other commandment greater than these.  
Amen. Lord, have mercy.

† *optional*

- 5 Confession and Absolution  
*or at 15*  
God is love and we are his children.  
There is no room for fear in love.  
We love because he loved us first.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith.

*Silence*

**God our Father, we confess to you  
and to our fellow members in the Body of Christ  
that we have sinned in thought, word and deed,  
and in what we have failed to do.**

**We are truly sorry.**

**Forgive us our sins,  
and deliver us from the power of evil,  
for the sake of your Son who died for us,  
Jesus Christ, our Lord.**

God, who is both power and love,  
forgive *us* and free *us* from *our* sins,  
heal and strengthen *us* by his Spirit,  
and raise *us* to new life in Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

6 Kyrie †

Lord, have mercy.

**Lord, have mercy.**

Christ, have mercy.

**Christ, have mercy.**

Lord, have mercy.

**Lord, have mercy.**

7 Gloria †

**Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
(with God the Son, Jesus Christ,  
and God the Holy Spirit),**

**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.**

*3, 4, 6 and 7 are selected according to the season or the occasion*

8 Collect of the day

### **THE LITURGY OF THE WORD**

9 Old Testament Reading †

10 Epistle

11 Gospel

When it is announced:  
**Glory to Christ our Saviour.**

*At end:*  
Give thanks to the Lord for his glorious Gospel.  
**Praise to Christ our Lord.**

12 Sermon †  
*or other exposition of the Word*

13 Nicene Creed †  
**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 substance with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us men and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven;  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate of 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.**

14 Intercessions

*Prayer is offered  
for the world and its people,  
for those who suffer and those in need,  
for the Church and its members.*

15 Confession and Absolution

*if not used at 5*

God is love and we are his children,  
There is no room for fear in love.  
We love because he loved us first.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith.

*Silence*

God our Father, we confess to you  
and to our fellow members in the Body of Christ  
that we have sinned in thought, word and deed,  
and in what we have failed to do.

We are truly sorry.  
Forgive us our sins,  
and deliver us from the power of evil.  
For the sake of your Son who died for us,  
Jesus Christ, our Lord.

God, who is both power and love,  
forgive us and free us from our sins,  
heal and strengthen us by his Spirit  
and raise us to new life in Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

16 Peace  
*if not used at 2*

We meet in Christ's name.  
**Let us share his peace.**

**THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT**  
*The Taking of the Bread and the Wine*

17 Offering

*Silence*

*or*

Let us present our offerings to the Lord.

Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory,  
the splendour, and the majesty; for everything in  
heaven and on earth is yours.

All things come from you, and of your own we give you.

*See Appendix for alternative use*

*The Great Thanksgiving*

18 Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Worship and praise belong to you, Father,  
in every place and at all times.

All power is yours.

You created the heavens and established the earth;  
you sustain in being all that is.

In Christ your Son our life and yours  
are brought together in a wonderful exchange.  
He made his home among us  
that we might for ever dwell in you.

Through your Holy Spirit  
you call us to new birth  
in a creation restored by love.

As children of your redeeming purpose  
we offer you our praise,

with angels and archangels  
and the whole company of heaven,  
singing the hymn of your unending glory:

**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.**

Glory and thanksgiving be to you,  
most loving Father,  
for the gift of your Son born in human flesh  
He is the Word existing beyond time,  
both source and final purpose,  
bringing to wholeness all that is made.  
Obedient to your will he died upon the Cross.  
By your power you raised him from the dead.  
He broke the bonds of evil  
and set your people free  
to be his Body in the world

On the night when he was given up to death,  
knowing that his hour had come,  
having loved his own,  
he loved them to the end.  
At supper with his disciples  
he took bread and offered you thanks.  
He broke the bread,  
and gave it to them, saying:  
"Take, eat.  
This is my Body: it is broken for you."  
After supper, he took the cup,  
he offered you thanks,  
and gave it to them saying:  
"Drink this, all of you.  
This is my Blood of the new covenant;  
it is poured out for you, and for all,  
that sins may be forgiven.  
Do this in remembrance of me."  
We now obey your Son's command.  
We recall his blessed passion and death,  
his glorious resurrection and ascension;  
and we look for the coming of his Kingdom.  
Made one with him, we offer you these gifts  
and with them ourselves,

a single, holy, living sacrifice.

Hear us, most merciful Father,  
and send your Holy Spirit upon us  
and upon this bread and this wine,  
that, overshadowed by his life-giving power,  
they may be the Body and Blood of your Son,  
and we may be kindled with the fire of your love  
and renewed for the service of your Kingdom.

Help us, who are baptised into the fellowship of Christ's Body  
to live and work to your praise and glory;  
may we grow together in unity and love  
until at last, in your new creation,  
we enter into our heritage  
in the company of the Virgin Mary,  
the apostles and prophets,  
and of all our brothers and sisters living and departed.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
with whom, and in whom,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honour and glory be to you,  
Lord of all ages,  
world without end.

**Amen.**

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Eucharistic Prayer II  
Anticipation (*Suitable for Advent*)

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**  
Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them to the Lord.**  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Worship and praise belong to you, God our maker.  
Out of nothing, you called all worlds to be,  
and still you draw the universe to its fulfilment.  
Dawn and evening celebrate your glory  
till time shall be no more.

In Christ your Son  
the life of heaven and earth were joined,

sealing the promise of a new creation,  
given, yet still to come.

Taught by your Spirit,  
we who bear your threefold likeness  
look for the City of Peace  
in whose light we are transfigured  
and the earth transformed.

As children of your redeeming purpose  
who await the coming of your Son,  
we offer you our praise,  
with angels and archangels  
and the whole company of heaven  
singing the hymn of your unending glory:

**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.**

Glory and thanksgiving be to you,  
most loving Father.  
In Jesus you showed us yourself.  
Our hope is built on him,  
the first, the last, the living one.  
Obedient, even to accepting death,  
He opened the gate of glory  
and calls us now to share the life of heaven.

Before he was given up to suffering and death,  
alight with the vision of a feast  
that heralded a kingdom yet to come,  
at supper with his disciples  
he took bread and offered you thanks.  
He broke the bread,  
and gave it to them, saying:  
"Take, eat.  
This is my Body: it is broken for you."  
After supper, he took the cup,  
he offered you thanks,  
and gave it to them saying:  
"Drink this, all of you.  
This is my Blood of the new covenant;  
it is poured out for you, and for all,

that sins may be forgiven.  
Do this in remembrance of me."

We now obey your Son's command.  
We recall his blessed passion and death,  
his glorious resurrection and ascension;  
and we look for the coming of his Kingdom.  
Made one with him, we offer you these gifts  
with them ourselves,  
a single, holy, living sacrifice.

Hear us, most merciful Father,  
and send your Holy Spirit upon us  
and upon this bread and this wine,  
that, overshadowed by his life-giving power,  
they may be the Body and Blood of your Son,  
and we may be kindled with the fire of your love  
and renewed for the service of your Kingdom.  
Help us, who are baptised into the fellowship of  
Christ's Body  
to live and work to your praise and glory;  
may we grow together in unity and love  
until at last, in your new creation,  
we enter into our heritage  
in the company of the Virgin Mary,  
the apostles, and prophets,  
and of all our brothers and sisters  
living and departed.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
with whom, and in whom,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honour and glory be to you,  
Lord of all ages,  
world without end.

**Amen.**

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Eucharistic Prayer III  
Returning to God (*Suitable for Lent and Passiontide*)

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**  
Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Worship and praise belong to you,  
maker of light and darkness.  
Your wisdom draws beauty from chaos,  
brings a harvest out of sorrow  
and leads the exiles home.

In Christ your Son enemies are reconciled,  
debts forgiven  
and strangers made welcome

Your Spirit frees us  
to live as sons and daughters  
in our Father's house.

We who by Christ's power  
follow the way of the Cross,  
sharing the joy of his obedience,  
now offer you our praise,  
with angels and archangels  
and the whole company of heaven  
singing the hymn of your unending glory:

**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.**

Glory and thanksgiving be to you,  
most loving Father,  
for Christ in whom the world is reconciled.  
Lifted on the Cross,  
his suffering and forgiveness  
spanned the gulf our sins had made.  
Through that dark struggle  
death was swallowed up in victory,  
that life and light might reign.

Before he was given up to suffering and death,  
recalling the night of Israel's release,  
the night in which the sons of Egypt died,  
your Chosen One, himself the First-Born,  
freely offered his life.

At supper with his disciples  
he took bread and offered you thanks.  
He broke the bread,  
and gave it to them, saying:  
"Take, eat.  
This is my Body: it is broken for you."  
After supper, he took the cup,  
he offered you thanks,  
and gave it to them saying:  
"Drink this, all of you.  
This is my Blood of the new covenant;  
it is poured out for you, and for all,  
that sins may be forgiven.  
Do this in remembrance of me."

We now obey your Son's command.  
We recall his blessed passion and death,  
his glorious resurrection and ascension;  
and we look for the coming of his Kingdom.  
Made one with him, we offer you these gifts  
and with them ourselves,  
a single, holy, living sacrifice.

Hear us, most merciful Father,  
and send your Holy Spirit upon us  
and upon this bread and this wine,  
that, overshadowed by his life-giving power,  
they may be the Body and Blood of your Son,  
and we may be kindled with the fire of your love  
and renewed for the service of your Kingdom.

Help us, who are baptised into the fellowship of  
Christ's Body  
to live and work to your praise and glory;  
may we grow together in unity and love  
until at last, in your new creation,  
we enter into our heritage  
in the company of the Virgin Mary,  
the apostles, and prophets,  
and of all our brothers and sisters  
living and departed.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
with whom, and in whom,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honour and glory be to you,  
Lord of all ages,  
world without end.

**Amen.**

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Eucharistic Prayer IV  
New Life, The Lord, The Spirit  
*(Suitable from Easter day to Pentecost)*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God,

**It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Worship and praise belong to you, Author of all being.  
Your power sustains, your love restores, our broken world.  
You are unceasingly at work,  
from chaos bringing order  
and filling emptiness with life.

Christ, raised from the dead,  
proclaims the dawn of hope.  
He lives in us that we may walk in light.

Your Spirit is fire in us,  
your breath is power  
to purge our sin  
and warm our hearts to love.

As children of your redeeming purpose,  
freed by him who burst from the tomb  
and opened the gate of life,  
we offer you our praise,  
with angels and archangels  
and the whole company of heaven,  
singing the hymn of your unending glory:

**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.**

Praise and thanksgiving be to you, Lord of all,

for by the Cross eternal life is ours  
and death is swallowed up in victory.  
In the first light of Easter  
glory broke from the tomb  
and changed the women's sorrow into joy.  
From the Garden the mystery dawned  
that he whom they had loved and lost  
is with us now  
in every place for ever.

Making himself known in the breaking of the bread,  
speaking peace to the fearful disciples,  
welcoming weary fishermen on the shore,  
he renewed the promise of his presence  
and of new birth in the Spirit  
who sets the seal of freedom on your sons and daughters.

Before he was given up to suffering and death,  
recalling the night of Israel's release,  
the night in which slaves walked free,  
at supper with his disciples  
he took bread and offered you thanks.  
He broke the bread,  
and gave it to them, saying:  
"Take, eat.  
This is my Body: it is broken for you."  
After supper, he took the cup,  
he offered you thanks,  
and gave it to them saying:  
"Drink this, all of you.  
This is my Blood of the new covenant;  
it is poured out for you, and for all,  
that sins may be forgiven.  
Do this in remembrance of me."

We now obey your Son's command  
We recall his blessed passion and death,  
his glorious resurrection and ascension;  
and we look for the coming of his Kingdom.  
Made one with him, we offer you these gifts  
and with them ourselves  
a single, holy living sacrifice.  
Hear us, most merciful Father,  
and send your Holy Spirit upon us  
and upon this bread and this wine,  
that, overshadowed by his life-giving power,  
they may be the Body and Blood of your Son,  
and we may be kindled with the fire of your love

and renewed for the service of your Kingdom.

Help us, who are baptised into the fellowship of  
Christ's Body  
to live and work to your praise and glory;  
may we grow together in unity and love  
until at last, in your new creation,  
we enter into our heritage  
in the company of the Virgin Mary,  
the apostles, and prophets,  
and of all our brothers and sisters  
living and departed.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
with whom, and in whom,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honour and glory be to you,  
Lord of all ages,  
world without end.

**Amen.**

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#### Eucharistic Prayer V

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Worship and praise belong to you, Father,  
in every place and at all times.

You made us,  
all the people of the world,  
and everything that is.

You give us the daylight.  
Your Word lights up our minds.  
Jesus was born among us  
to be light in our darkness.

Your Spirit lives in us  
so that we can look at the world with your eyes.

One day we will be with you in heaven,

but already we laugh with the saints and angels,  
and sing their joyful song:

**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.**

Father, you never forget us or turn away from us,  
even when we fail you.  
You sent your Son Jesus  
who gave his life for us.  
He healed those who were sick,  
cared for those who were poor,

and cried with those who were sad.  
He forgave sinners  
and taught us to forgive.

For all your love we give you thanks  
in the way that Jesus showed us.

On the night before he died,  
while he was having supper with his friends,  
he took bread and offered you thanks.  
He broke the bread,  
and gave it to them, saying:  
"Take, eat.  
This is my Body: it is broken for you."  
After supper, he took the cup,  
he offered you thanks,  
and gave it to them saying:  
"Drink this, all of you.  
This is my Blood of the new covenant;  
it is poured out for you, and for all,  
that sins may be forgiven.  
Do this in remembrance of me."

So, as we do what he told us,  
we open our hearts to him;  
we remember how he died and rose again  
to live now in us.

Together with him we offer you these gifts:  
in them we give you ourselves.

Send your Holy Spirit on us and on this bread and this wine,  
that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ,  
and that, sharing your life,  
we may travel in your company to our journey's end.

With all your people  
we give you thanks and praise  
through the Son and in the Spirit,  
now and for ever.

**Amen.**

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*The Sharing of the Bread and the Wine*

19 Breaking of the Bread  
*Silence*

*or*

The living bread is broken for the life of the world.  
**Lord, unite us in this sign.**

20 Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour has taught  
us, so we pray:

**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.  
Do not bring us  
to the time of trial  
but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the  
power  
and the glory are yours,  
now and for ever. Amen.**

*or*

As our Saviour Christ has  
commanded and taught us,  
we are bold to say:

**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,  
the power and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

21 Communion

*At the giving of the bread:*  
The Body of Christ given for you.

*At the giving of the cup:*  
The Blood of Christ shed for you.

*The Communicant replies* **Amen.**

22 Communion Song †

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

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

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

*or*

Jesus, Lamb of God: have mercy on us.

Jesus, bearer of our sins: have mercy on us.

Jesus, redeemer of the world: Give us your peace.

## THANKSGIVING AND SENDING OUT

### 23 Sentence

An appropriate seasonal sentence may be used

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is gracious.  
And his mercy endures for ever.

### 24 Prayers

*One of the following is said*

- (a) Father, we have broken the bread which is Christ's body, we have tasted the wine of his new life. We thank you for these gifts by which we are made one in him and drawn into that new creation which is your will for all mankind; through him who died for us and rose again, your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.
- (b) Father of all, we give you thanks and praise that when we were still far off you met us in your Son and brought us home. Dying and living, he declared your love, gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory. May we who share Christ's 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 we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.
- (c) Father, your steadfast purpose is the completion of all things in your Son. May we who have received the pledges of the kingdom, live by faith, walk in hope and be renewed in love, until the world reflects your glory and you are all in all; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### 25 Blessing †

The peace of God which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord: And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. Amen.

*A seasonal variant may be used*

### 26 Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**In the name of Christ. Amen.**

## Appendix

### FORMS OF INTERCESSION

#### Form 1

Through Jesus, whom we confess as Lord,  
we give thanks and praise to the Father,  
calling on him who is judge of all:  
Father, your kingdom come.

**Father, your kingdom come.**

For all the peoples of the world;  
that they may know you as the God of peace,  
we pray to you, O Lord:

**Father, your kingdom come.**

For nations, for leaders and governments;  
that integrity may mark all their dealings,  
we pray to you O Lord:

**Father, your kingdom come.**

For all who labour for righteousness;  
that your presence and help may give them courage,  
we pray to you, O Lord:

**Father, your kingdom come.**

For communities torn by dissension and strife;  
that your forgiveness may bring them healing,  
we pray to you, O Lord:

**Father, your kingdom come.**

For the anxious, the lonely, the bereaved;  
that consolation and peace may be theirs,  
we pray to you, O Lord:

**Father, your kingdom come.**

For the Church, your household and family;  
that she may be firm in the confession of her hope,  
we pray to you, O Lord:

**Father, your kingdom come.**

For ... our Bishop, and for all who bear Christ's name;  
that their lives may proclaim your glory,  
we pray to you, o Lord:

**Father, your kingdom come.**

For those who are separated from us by death;  
that theirs may be the kingdom which is unshakeable,  
we pray to you, O Lord:

**Father, your kingdom come.**

O God of peace,  
who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus,  
that great Shepherd of the sheep:  
make us perfect in all goodness to do your will  
and to be what you would have us be;  
through him to whom be glory for ever,  
Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Form 2

O God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
in whom you chose us, before the foundation of the world,  
and destined us in love to be your own:  
help us to pray for all your children.  
For the life of the world;  
that your peace may be known and may prevail:

For ...

Lord, hear us.  
**Lord, graciously hear us.**

For all who suffer injury, death or loss;  
that they may know the hope to which you call us:

For ...

Lord, hear us.  
**Lord, graciously hear us.**

For all who exercise rule and authority;  
that they may acknowledge your power:

For ...

Lord, hear us.

**Lord, graciously hear us.**

For the Church which is Christ's body;  
that it may live for the praise of your glory:

For ...

Lord, hear us.

**Lord, graciously hear us.**

O God, you exerted your strength and power  
when you raised Christ from the dead,  
putting everything in subjection beneath his feet:  
accept the prayers which we offer in his name  
for the world you have created and redeemed;  
through him in whom you have set forth  
the mystery of your will,  
to unite all things in heaven and on earth,  
your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Form 3

To him who alone is God  
let us make our requests with thanksgiving,  
through the one mediator,  
the man Christ Jesus.

I ask your prayers for peace  
in the life of the world ...  
Pray for God's peace.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for all  
who suffer injury, sickness and loss ...  
Pray for all who are afflicted.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for all  
who wield authority and influence ...  
Pray for all who exercise power.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for all  
whom we have wronged ...  
Pray for all who hate us.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for our bishop(s) ...  
and for all whom Christ has appointed to his service ...  
Pray for God's people.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for ...

*Silence*

Give thanks to God for all  
in whom Christ has been honoured,  
(especially ... )

*Silence*

O God, whose will it is  
that all should find salvation  
and come to know the truth:  
receive the prayers and petitions  
which we offer in faith and love;  
through him who gave proof of your purpose,  
and who sacrificed himself  
to win freedom for all mankind,  
Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

#### **ALTERNATIVE USE AT OFFERTORY**

Prayers of Offering

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation; through your  
goodness we have this bread to offer, which earth has given  
and human hands have made: it will become for us the bread  
of life.

**Blessed be God for ever.**

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation; through your  
goodness we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine and work  
of human hands; it will become the cup of our salvation.

**Blessed be God for ever.**

#### **SEASONAL MATERIAL FOR INSERTION IN THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

*Each clause is inserted at the same place in the paragraph which precedes the Sanctus.*

## ADVENT

As children of your redeeming purpose ...  
who await with eager longing  
the fulfilment of all things  
in the coming of your Son,  
we offer you our praise, ...

## CHRISTMAS

As children of your redeeming purpose ...  
for whom Christ Jesus humbled himself  
and become poor to make us rich,  
we offer you our praise, ...

## EPIPHANY

As children of your redeeming purpose ...  
who have seen the radiance of your glory  
revealed to all the nations in your Son,  
we offer you our praise, ...

## LENT

As children of your redeeming purpose ...  
who are called to share Christ's suffering  
and be made like him in his death,  
we offer you our praise, ...

## PASSIONTIDE

As children of your redeeming purpose ...  
for whom Christ endured the cross of shame  
to rise triumphant over sin and death,  
we offer you our praise, ...

## EASTER

As children of your redeeming purpose ...  
freed by him who burst from the tomb  
and opened the gate of life,  
we offer you our praise, ...

## ASCENSION

As children of your redeeming purpose ...  
who rejoice that in Jesus our human nature  
is carried for ever into the glory of heaven,  
we offer you our praise, ...

## PENTECOST

As children of your redeeming purpose ...  
who are marked with the seal of your Spirit  
for the day of our final liberation,

we offer you our praise, ...

#### TRINITY

As children of your redeeming purpose ...  
who worship the mystery of your Godhead,  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,  
we offer you our praise, ...

#### ALL SAINTS

As children of your redeeming purpose ...  
called to attain with all your saints  
to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ,  
we offer you our praise, ...

#### MARY

As children of your redeeming purpose ...  
who honour Mary, chosen mother of your Son,  
and with all generations call her blessed,  
we offer you our praise, ...

#### ANY SAINT

As children of your redeeming purpose ...  
rejoicing in communion  
with N. and all your saints,  
we offer you our praise, ...

#### DEDICATION

As children of your redeeming purpose ...  
your household, founded upon apostles and prophets  
with Christ Jesus himself the chief cornerstone,  
we offer you our praise, ...

#### UNITY

As children of your redeeming purpose ...  
called to bring all things in heaven and on earth  
into a perfect unity in Christ,  
we offer you our praise, ...

#### HARVEST

As children of your redeeming purpose ...  
and stewards of Your creation  
who give thanks for the fruits of the earth in their season,  
we offer you our praise, ...

#### BAPTISM / CONFIRMATION / ORDINATION

As children of your redeeming purpose ...  
who are marked with the seal of your Spirit  
for the day of our final liberation,

we offer you our praise, ...

## FUNERAL

As children of your redeeming purpose ...  
who as pilgrims on this earth  
are kept safe in your tender and steadfast love,  
we offer you our praise, ...

## ALTERNATIVE BLESSINGS

### Advent

Christ the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you  
and scatter the darkness from before your path;  
and the blessing ...

### Christmas

Christ, who by his incarnation gathered into one  
all things earthly and heavenly,  
fill you with his joy and peace; and the blessing ...

### Epiphany

Christ the Son of God gladden your hearts  
with the good news of his kingdom;  
and the blessing ...

### Ash Wednesday to Lent 4

Christ give you grace to grow in holiness,  
to deny yourselves, take up your cross, and follow him;  
and the blessing ...

### Lent 5 and Holy Week

Christ crucified draw you to himself,  
to find in him a sure ground for faith,  
a firm support for hope, and the assurance of sins forgiven;  
and the blessing ...

### Easter

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead  
our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep,  
through the blood of the eternal covenant,  
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 ...

### Ascension

Christ our king make you faithful and strong to do his will,  
that you may reign with him in glory;

and the blessing ...

Pentecost

The Spirit of truth lead you into all truth,  
give you grace to confess that Jesus Christ is Lord,  
and to proclaim the word and works of God;  
and the blessing ...

Trinity Sunday

God the Holy Trinity make you strong in faith and love,  
defend you on every side, and guide you in truth and peace;  
and the blessing ...

Saints' Days

God give you grace to follow his saints  
in faith and hope and love;  
and the blessing ...

Unity

Christ the Good Shepherd, who laid down his life for the sheep,  
draw you and all who hear his voice to be one within one fold;  
and the blessing ...

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+ Richard, Bishop of Edinburgh, *Primus*

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