

The Sending of Eucharistic Visitors

If Eucharistic Visitors are to be sent out to persons who are unable to attend regular Church services, the following form used after those present have received Communion, but before the Post-Communion Prayer.

Celebrant In the name of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts that *those to whom you go* (or *list the names of those receiving the Communion*) may share with us in the Communion of Christ's Body and Blood.

Celebrant and People **We who are many are one Body, because we all share one Bread, and one Cup.**

St. Paul's Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Dallas

HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE TWO

THE WORD OF GOD

All stand for the Processional Hymn

The people continue to stand and 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, from Easter Day through the Day of Pentecost

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

The Celebrant may then 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.**

The following hymn is sung, all standing

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Glory to God Gloria in excelsis

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
 peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
 King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
 give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
 Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
 take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
 on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
 ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
 you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most
 High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the
 glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

The Collect of the Day

The Celebrant says to the people

The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

The Deacon or the Priest dismisses the people with these or other words

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

The people respond: **Thanks be to God!**

From the Easter Vigil through the Day of Pentecost "Alleluia, alleluia" may be added to the dismissal.



The foregoing text of the service of worship contained in this program is taken from the *Book of Common Prayer 1979*. The *Book of Common Prayer* alone is of authority in the worship of the Episcopal Church. This program is provided for convenience of use on this occasion

A time of light refreshment and conversation follows each service.

Please join us in the Parish Hall across the breezeway for this time of fellowship!

All Baptized Christians are welcome and encouraged to receive the Holy Sacrament at the Altar rail.

The Bread will be placed in your outstretched palm. After you eat it, the Wine may be sipped from the Chalice. If you prefer not to drink from the chalice you may leave the Bread in your hand, and the server will dip it into the Chalice and place it on your tongue. If you prefer to receive only the Bread or the Wine, or desire only a blessing, you may indicate this by crossing your arms over your chest when the Holy Sacrament is in front of you.

If coming forward to receive the Holy Sacrament is difficult, we will be glad to bring it to you at your seat. Please let an usher know if you want the Holy Sacrament brought to you.

During the ministrations of Communion, hymns, psalms, or anthems may be sung.

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

**Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Bishop when present, or the Priest, may bless the people.

All stand for the Recessional Hymn

The People may kneel while the Celebrant prays the Collect of the day.

People **Amen.**

The lessons, psalm, and Gospel are printed in the bulletin.

The Lessons

The people sit and the Lector says

A Reading from _____.

After the Reading, the Lector may say

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

or the Lector may say

Here ends the Reading.

Silence may follow

A Psalm follows the first Reading.

At the conclusion of the Psalm, all respond with the Gloria Patri saying:

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.

The Lector continues with the second lesson saying

A Reading from _____.

After the Reading, the Lector will say

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Silence may follow.

All stand for the Gospel Hymn. The first half of the Gospel Hymn is sung before the Gospel reading, and the second half is sung after the Gospel reading.

All standing, the Deacon or Priest proclaims the Gospel, first saying:

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

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

After the Gospel, the Deacon or Priest says

The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

Following the sermon, all stand for the affirmation of the Nicene Creed.

The 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 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.**

S 157 O Lamb of God *Agnus Dei*

The musical score is written on five staves. The lyrics are: O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The gifts of God for the people of God. 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.
The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words*

The Body (Blood) of our Lord Jesus Christ keep you in everlasting life. [*Amen.*]

or with these words

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. [*Amen.*]
The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. [*Amen.*]

unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

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.

Celebrant and People **AMEN**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant

**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 the following Fraction Anthem may be sung or said by all

**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.**

The Prayers of the People (Form III)

The Leader and People pray responsively, either sitting or kneeling

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest.
Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

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

The people may add their own petitions.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Confession of Sin

The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All kneeling. 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.**

The Peace

The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

*Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the
name of the Lord.*

Announcements may be made at this time.

The People may kneel.

Then the Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for
yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and became 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.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in
obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

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."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

S 134 Memorial Acclamation: Prayer A (*sung by all*)



Setting: Plainsong, Te Deum Tone; adapt. Richard Proulx (b. 1937)

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in
this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death,
resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body
and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and

