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# THE CATHEDRAL EUCHARIST FOR ADVENT

*The Cathedral Choir sings the Advent Wreath Prayer as the Candle for each Sunday is lit*

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

Grace and peace be with you  
**and keep you in the love of Christ.**

*The priest offers words of welcome and introduces the Eucharist*

**Father of glory, holy and eternal,  
look upon us now in power and mercy.  
May your strength overcome our weakness,  
your radiance transform our blindness,  
and your Spirit draw us to that love  
shown and offered to us by your Son,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

*Penitential Rite*

*Silence*

**Heavenly Father,  
we have sinned in thought, word and deed,  
and have failed to do what we ought to have done.  
We are sorry and truly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ who died for us,  
forgive us all that is past  
and lead us in his way  
to walk as children of light. Amen.**

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent,  
have mercy on you and set you free from sin,  
strengthen you in goodness and keep you in eternal life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

COLLECT (Please remain Standing)

*Please see the Sunday Sheet for the Collect & Readings*

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

*Please Sit*

*After the 1<sup>st</sup> Reading*

For the word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God.**

THE PSALM

THE GOSPEL READING

*Please Stand*

Alleluia. Alleluia.

Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight,  
and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.

**Alleluia.**

Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to Saint .....

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*After the Gospel*

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

THE SERMON

*Please Sit*

THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*Please Stand*

*A Baptismal Creed*

**I believe and trust in God the Father,  
who created all that is.**

**I believe and trust in his Son Jesus Christ,  
who redeemed humankind.**

**I believe and trust in his Holy Spirit,  
who gives life to the people of God.**

**I believe and trust in one God,  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

## THE INTERCESSION

*Please Sit*

Lord, in your mercy: *Or* Lord, hear us:  
**hear our prayer. Lord, graciously hear us.**

Merciful Father,  
**accept these prayers  
for the sake of your Son,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

## THE PEACE

*Please Stand*

In the tender compassion of our God the dawn from heaven will break upon us, to shine on those who live in darkness, under the shadow of death, and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

*Or*  
May the God of peace make you completely holy, ready for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

*Or another sentence may be used*

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

## THE THANKSGIVING

We celebrate together the gifts and grace of God.  
**We take this bread,  
we take this wine  
to follow Christ's example  
and obey his command.**

THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS *See the Sunday Sheet*

## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER (4)

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 our thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, it is our duty and our joy  
at all times and in all places to give you thanks, holy Father,  
all-powerful and everliving God,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*To December 16*

Who humbled himself to live among us,  
taking human flesh,  
fulfilling the plan you formed long ago  
and opening to us the way to salvation.  
We watch and wait for that day  
when our Lord Jesus Christ will be revealed,  
when justice shall march before him  
and peace shall follow his steps,  
that when he comes in glory, with healing in his wings  
we may inherit the promised salvation  
in which we dare to hope.

*From December 17*

The prophets prepared us for his coming,  
the Blessed Virgin Mary longed for him with love beyond all telling.  
At the presence of Jesus, John the Baptist danced in his mother's womb  
and proclaimed his advent when at last he came.  
Already we rejoice in his birth,  
for he has given us the gift of grace,  
that he may find us watchful and waiting,  
our hearts filled with wonder and praise.

And so with the hosts of angels and all the company of heaven  
we proclaim the glory of your name  
and join in their unending hymn of praise:

*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.*

All praise and thanks to you, true and living God,  
Creator of all things, Giver of life.  
You formed us in your own image;  
but we have marred that image and fall short of your glory.  
We give you thanks  
that you sent your Son to share our life;  
you gave him up to death that the world might be saved,  
and you raised him from the dead  
that we might live in him and he in us.

Sanctify with your Spirit this bread and wine, your gifts to us,  
that they may be for us the body and blood of our Saviour Jesus Christ.

On the night he was betrayed, he took bread,  
and when he had given thanks  
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.

In the same way after supper he took the cup,  
and when he had given thanks  
he gave it to them, saying,

Drink from this, all of you,  
for this is my blood of the new covenant  
which is shed for you and for many  
for the forgiveness of sins:  
do this as often as you drink it  
in remembrance of me.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come in glory.**

As he has commanded us, Father,  
we remember Jesus Christ, your Son.  
Proclaiming his victorious death,  
rejoicing in his resurrection  
and waiting for him to come in glory  
we bring to you this bread, this cup.

Accept our sacrifice of thanks and praise.  
Restore and revive your people,  
renew us and all for whom we pray  
with your grace and heavenly blessing,  
and at the last receive us with all your saints  
into that unending joy promised by your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, with him, in him,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit  
all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father,  
for ever and ever. **Amen.**

### *Silence*

Let us pray for the coming of the Kingdom as Jesus taught us:

**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.**

### *The priest breaks the bread*

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.  
**Though we are many, we are one body  
for we all share in one bread.**

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

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

Jesus is the Lamb of God  
who takes away the sins of the world.  
Happy are those who are called to his supper.  
**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,  
but only say the word and I shall be healed.**

*Holy Communion will be given in one kind only (i.e. the host). Please say "Amen" when the priest says "The Body of Christ" and NOT at the time of receiving holy communion. Please receive in Silence. Thank you.*

*Please stay 2 metres apart as you queue to receive Holy Communion*

Give thanks to the Lord for he is gracious:  
**his love is everlasting.**

*The Post Communion Prayer is on the Sunday Sheet*

## THE BLESSING

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

Christ the Sun of righteousness shine on you and scatter the darkness from before you,  
And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

*To December 16*

Go in peace to prepare the way of the Lord.  
**In the name of Christ. Amen.**

*From December 17*

The Lord's coming is close at hand.  
Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**In the name of Christ. Amen.**

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