A Lord’s Supper Liturgy

(Based Upon the RCA Liturgy)

Opening

**Minister**: Beloved in the Lord Jesus Christ, the holy Supper which we are about to celebrate is a feast of *remembrance*, of *communion*, and of *hope*.

*Song*: Remember and Proclaim

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZHcIEDXXIq4>

<https://music.apple.com/us/album/remember-and-proclaim/1560396233?i=1560396816>

Or

We Will Feast in the house of Zion https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ujVBV3lNSbQ

https://music.apple.com/us/album/we-will-feast-in-the-house-of-zion/982286081?i=982286083

**Minister**: We come in *remembrance* that our Lord Jesus Christ was sent of the Father into the world to assume our flesh and blood and to fulfill for us all obedience to the divine law, even to the bitter and shameful death of the cross. By his death, resurrection, and ascension he established a new and eternal covenant of grace and reconciliation that we might be accepted of God and never be forsaken by him.

We come to have *communion* with this same Christ who has promised to be with us always, even to the end of the world. In the breaking of the bread he makes himself known to us as the true heavenly Bread that strengthens us unto life eternal. In the cup of blessing he comes to us as the Vine in whom we must abide if we are to bear fruit.

We come in *hope*, believing that this bread and this cup are a pledge and foretaste of the feast of love of which we shall partake when his kingdom has fully come, when with unveiled face we shall behold him, made like unto him in this glory.

Since by his death, resurrection, and ascension he has obtained for us the life-giving Spirit who unites us all in one body, so are we to receive this Supper in true brotherly love, mindful of the communion of saints.

Invitation

**Minister**: All baptized Christians present who are admitted to the Lord’s Supper are to be invited to participate.

Communion Prayer

**Minister**: The Lord be with you.

*People*: And also with you.

**Minister**: Lift up your hearts!

*People*: We lift them up to the Lord.

**Minister**: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People*: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

**Minister**: Holy and right it is and our joyful duty to give thanks to you at all times and in all places, O Lord, our Creator, almighty and everlasting God! You created the heaven with all its hosts and the earth with all its plenty. You have given us life and being, and preserve us by your providence.

*People*: But you have shown us the fullness of your love in sending into the world your Son, Jesus Christ, the eternal Word, made flesh for us and for our salvation. For the precious gift of this mighty Savior who has reconciled us to you we praise and bless you, O God.

**Minister**: With your whole Church on earth and with all the company of heaven we worship and adore your glorious name.

Praise:

**Minister**: Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts.

*Song*: Holy, Holy, Holy

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zzM9P_Gqw-s>

<https://music.apple.com/us/album/holy-holy-holy-we-bow-before-thee-live/1451661844?i=1451661853>

**Minister**: Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest!

*People*: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!

A short period of silence.

**Minister**: Most righteous God, we remember in this Supper the perfect sacrifice offered once on the cross by our Lord Jesus Christ for the sin of the world.

*People*: In the joy of his resurrection and in expectation of his coming again, we offer ourselves to you as holy and living sacrifices.

**Minister**: Together we proclaim the mystery of the faith:

*All*: Christ has died! Christ has risen! Christ will come again!

**Minister**: Send your Holy Spirit upon us, we pray, that the bread which we break may be to us the communion of the body and blood of Christ.

*People*: Grant that, being joined together in him, we may attain to the unity of the faith and grow up in all things into him Christ our Lord.

**Minister**: And as this grain has been gathered from many fields into one loaf and these grapes from many hills into one cup, grant, O Lord, that thy whole Church may soon be gathered from the ends of the earth into thy kingdom.

*People*: Even so, come, Lord Jesus.

Confession of faith

Nicene Creed

We believe in one God,
      the Father almighty,
      maker of heaven and earth,
      of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
      the only Son of God,
      begotten from the Father before all ages,
           God from God,
           Light from Light,
           true God from true God,
      begotten, not made;
      of the same essence as the Father.
      Through him all things were made.
      For us and for our salvation
           he came down from heaven;
           he became incarnate by the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary,
           and was made human.
           He was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate;
           he suffered and was buried.
           The third day he rose again, according to the Scriptures.
           He ascended to heaven
           and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
           He will come again with glory
           to judge the living and the dead.
           His kingdom will never end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit,
      the Lord, the giver of life.
      He proceeds from the Father and the Son,
      and with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified.
      He spoke through the prophets.
      We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
      We affirm one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
      We look forward to the resurrection of the dead,
      and to life in the world to come. Amen.

Communion

**Minister**: The Lord Jesus, the same night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to them, saying,

“Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you: do this in remembrance of me.”

**Minister**: After the same manner also, he took the cup when they had supped, saying, “this cup is the new testament in my blood: this do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

**Minister**: The bread which we break is the communion of the body of Christ.

**Minister**: The cup of blessing which we bless is the communion of the blood of Christ.

The Thanksgiving

**Minister**: Siblings in Christ we celebrate the Lord has fed us at his Table, let us praise God’s holy name with heartfelt thanksgiving!

*All*: Bless the Lord, O my soul,

and all that is within me, bless his holy name.

Bless the Lord, O my soul,

and do not forget all his benefits

who forgives all your iniquity,

who heals all your diseases,

who redeems your life from the Pit,

who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy.

The Lord is merciful and gracious,

slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

He does not deal with us according to our sins,

nor repay us according to our iniquities.

For as the heavens are high above the earth,

so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;

as far as the east is from the west,

so far does he remove our transgressions from us.

As a father has compassion for his children,

so the Lord has compassion for those who fear him,

he who did not spare his own Son,

but gave him up for us all,

will also give us all things with him.

Therefore shall my mouth and heart show forth the praise of the Lord, from this time forth forevermore. Amen.

*Song*: Crown Him with Many Crowns

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=INo42lyvszY>

<https://music.apple.com/us/album/crown-him-with-many-crowns-2021-version/1576934946?i=1576934962>

Intercession after Communion

**Minister**: Let us pray.

*All*: We praise and thank you, O Lord, that you have fed us at your Table. Grateful for your gifts and mindful of the communion of your saints, we offer to you our prayers for all people.

Song: All Things New

[All Things New - Red Mountain Music - YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ukej-X-ssIo)

<https://music.apple.com/us/album/all-things-new/414559346?i=414559350>

Silence.

*All*: God of compassion, we remember before you the poor and the afflicted, the sick and the dying, prisoners and all who are lonely, the victims of war, injustice, and inhumanity, and all others who suffer from whatever their sufferings may be called.

**Minister:** On this day our hearts espeically remember…

Silence.

*All*: O God the Creator, we pray for all nations and peoples. Take away the mistrust and lack of understanding that divide your creatures; increase in us the recognition that we are all your children.

**Minister:** On this day our hearts reach out to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ nations torn by war and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ nations facing crises.

Song: O God of Every Nation

 <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Y2XRCYfiz-Q>

Or

This is My Song, O God of all the Nations

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H8FPOjgX07c>

<https://music.apple.com/us/album/this-is-my-song-finlandia-arr-morgan/1572855954?i=1572856279>

Silence.

*All*: O Lord of Providence, who holds the destiny of the nations in your hand, we pray for our country. Inspire the hearts and minds of our leaders that they, together with all our nation, may first seek your kingdom and righteousness so that order, liberty, and peace may dwell for all people.

**Minister:** On this day we pray for our the needs of our city and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ pressing needs of our nation.

Silence.

*All*: Our Maker, preserve this world, sending seasons, sun, and rain, upholding all creatures, renewing the earth, strengthen your people to care for and sustain your creation. Help all to hear your voice in sky, wind and waves.

**Minister:** On this day we pray for \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that face natural disasters and fearful weather.

Song: Declaring Glory

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=r9pn90xuNBQ>

<https://music.apple.com/us/album/declaring-glory-the-earth-sings-its-refrain-feat/1624126569?i=1624126595>

Or

 All Creatures Lament

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FIzlztdrZD0>

<https://music.apple.com/us/album/all-creatures-lament-feat-fernando-ortega-molly-parden/1624126569?i=1624127369>

Or

This is My Father’s World

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kxin3PNF9_E>

<https://music.apple.com/us/album/this-is-my-fathers-world/1435353990?i=1435354412>

Silence:

*All*: O Savior God, look upon your church in its struggle upon the earth. Have mercy on its weakness, bring to an end its unhappy divisions, and scatter its fears. Look also upon the ministry of your church. Increase its courage, strengthen its faith, and inspire its witness to all people, even to the ends of the earth. Care for those who suffer for and are imprisoned because of their faith in Jesus.

**Minister:** On this day we call you to see the needs of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ churches and denominations.

Song: The Church’s One Foundation

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pKRmncbUMps>

<https://music.apple.com/us/album/the-churchs-one-foundation/1452202966?i=1452203275>

Silence.

**Minister**: Author of grace and God of love, send your Holy Spirit’s blessing to your children. Keep our hearts and thoughts in Jesus Christ, your Son, our only Savior and Lord, who has taught us to pray:

*All*: “O Great Spirit, our Father from above, we honor your name as sacred and holy. Bring your good road to us, where the beauty of your ways in the spirit-world above is reflected in the earth below. Provide for us day by day—the elk, the buffalo, and the salmon. The corn, the squash, and the wild rice. All the things we need for each day. Release us from the things we have done wrong, in the same way we release others for the things done wrong to us. Guide us away from the things that tempt us to stray from your good road, and set us free from the evil one and his worthless ways. Aho! May it be so! (First Nations Translation)

Song: “O Jerusalem”

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cH9ZpRbsFkQ>

<https://music.apple.com/us/album/o-jerusalem-feat-greg-thompson/1528494876?i=1528494892>

Benediction

**Minister**: Do not be afraid

The shalom of Jesus the king go with you wherever he may send you

He will guide you in the wilderness, protect you in the storm,

He will bring you home rejoicing at the wonders he has shown you,

He will bring you home rejoicing until once again we see one another.

Do not be afraid

*People*: Worthy is the Lamb that was slain, and has redeemed us to God by his

blood, to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honor,

and glory, and blessing. Blessing and honor, glory and power, be unto

Him that sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb, for ever and ever.

Amen. (Revelation 5:12-14)

*Sending Song:* O God Beyond All Praising

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7lL_YlO6rh0>

<https://music.apple.com/us/album/o-god-beyond-all-praising-arr-r-hobby-for-choir-organ-brass/1525747150?i=1525747175>