Holy Communion

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Opening Hymn or Song:

The people standing, the Licensed Minister says

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

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever.

Amen.

The Minister then says:

Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord your God is the only Lord. 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 neighbor as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these." Mark 12:29-31

The Minister then says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor using the Confession on page 352

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 Minister says
Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins
through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all

Minister and People (Prayer Book pg. 356)

Lord, have mercy. Kryie eleison.
Christ, have mercy. or Christe eleison.
Lord, have mercy. Kryie eleison.

The Collect of the Day

The Minister says to the people

The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Minister Let us pray.

The Minister says the Collect of the Day (the Collects are found in the Prayer Book on pages 211-236; choose the correct one for the Season and the Sunday).

People Amen.

The Lessons

The people sit
A Reading (Lesson) from The Old Testament.

After the Reading, the Reader may say

The word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Silence may follow

The Psalm is read together
A Reading (Lesson) from The New Testament.

After the Reading, the Reader may say
The word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

A hymn or song is sung

Then the Minister reads the Gospel, first saying

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

After the Gospel, the Reader says

   The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

A Reflection on the Gospel

Here the Minister may lead a simple Gospel Based Discipleship discussion of the Gospel, or may simply tell the congregation what word or phrase stood out for him or her and what the minister thought Jesus was saying to him or her in that word or phrase. Or the minister may simply invite the people to sit silently for a period to think about the Gospel.

Then is said, all standing

The Nicene Creed (Prayer Book pg. 358)

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.

The Prayers of the People

Prayer is offered with intercession for

The Universal Church, its members, and its mission
The Nation and all in authority
The welfare of the world
The concerns of the local community
Those who suffer and those in any trouble
The departed (with commemoration of a saint when appropriate)

You may simply offer the prayers freely using the subjects listed or you may use one of the forms beginning on page 838.

The Peace
All stand. The Celebrant says to the people
  The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.

The Offering
The Minister says:
  Let us with gladness present the offerings of our life and labor to the Lord.

The people are invited to give their offerings. A person assigned collects the offerings

A hymn or song is sung while the offerings are received.

At the end of the hymn, the offerings are brought forward and placed on the altar while all sing the Doxology (“Praise God from whom all blessings flow…”)
After receiving the People’s offerings, the Minister reverently places the consecrated Sacrament on the Altar.

**The Lord’s Prayer** *(Prayer Book page 364)*

The Minister then says:

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 Communion**

*The Minister and the People now receive the Consecrated bread and wine.*
*The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words*

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

*During the ministration of Communion hymns may be sung*

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People *(Prayer Book page 365)*
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 Minister may conclude the service by saying:*

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore.

A hymn may be sung or the Minister may say:

Let us bless the Lord.
People: *Thanks be to God.*