Let the earth be glad

A Eco-communion

Let the heavens rejoice, let the earth be glad; let the sea resound, and all that is in it. Let the fields be jubilant, and everything in them; let all the trees of the forest sing for joy.

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

Amen.

The Lord be with you and also with you.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, how majestic is your name in all the earth;

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you dry up the green tree and make the dry tree flourish; in your hand is the life of every living thing and the breath of every human being;

As your Son made the multitude to sit down on the green grass and fed them with the bread of life, make us to lie down in green pastures and lead us beside still waters;

Like a tree planted by water, which does not fear the heat but whose leaves shall stay green, let us be refreshed and sustained in you.

Honour the everlasting covenant you have established with your creation, for you have seen that it is very good. Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

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Blessed be God forever.

Prayers of Penitence

Human sin disfigures the whole creation, which groans with eager longing for God's redemption. We confess our sin in penitence and faith.

We confess to you our lack of care for the world you have given us.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

We confess to you our selfishness in not sharing the earth's bounty fairly.

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

We confess to you our failure to protect resources for others.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

May the Father of all mercies cleanse us from our sins, and restore us in his image to the praise and glory of his name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Preparation of the Table

The table is prepared and bread and wine are placed upon it

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

Blessed be God for ever.

Preparation of the Table

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation: through your goodness we have this wine to set before you, fruit of the vine and work of human hands. It will become for us the cup of salvation.

Blessed be God for ever.

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 thanks and praise.

Father, we give you thanks and praise for your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. He is the image of the unseen God, the first-born of all creation. He created all things in heaven and on earth: everything visible and everything invisible: all things were created through him and for him.

He is the radiant light of your glory: he holds all creation together by his word of power.

He is first to be born from the dead.
All perfection is found in him,
and all things were reconciled through him and for him,
everything in heaven and everything on earth,
when he made peace by his death on the cross.

The Church is his body, he is her head. He takes his place in heaven at your right hand, where we worship you with all of your creation, *saying*:

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.

We praise and bless you, loving Father, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; and as we obey his command, send your Holy Spirit, that broken bread and wine outpoured may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son. On the night before he died he had supper with his friends

and, taking bread, he praised you.

He broke the bread, gave it to them and said:

Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;

do this in remembrance of me.

- When supper was ended he took the cup of wine. Again he praised you, 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.
- Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did, in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross.

Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation,

we proclaim his death and resurrection until he comes in glory.

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died:

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.

Look with favour on your people, gather us in your loving arms and bring us with all the saints to feast at your table in heaven.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father, for ever and ever.

Amen.

Filled with awe at the wonders and works of God, as our Saviour 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. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.

Bread is broken

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

Bread and wine are served

May God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is the source of all goodness and growth, pour his blessing upon all things created, and upon you his children, that you may use his gifts to his glory and the welfare of all peoples; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. Amen.

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