

St. Stephen's Anglican Church  
Tullahoma, Tennessee  
The Holy Eucharist

**The Acclamation**

*Advent*

**Celebrant** Surely the Lord is coming soon.

**People** *Amen. Come Lord Jesus.*

*Christmas*

**Celebrant** For unto us a child is born,

**People** *Unto us a son is given.*

*Epiphany*

**Celebrant** I will make you a light for the nations,

**People** *That my salvation may reach the end of the earth.*

*Lent*

**Celebrant:** Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

**People:** *His mercy endures for ever.*

*Easter tide*

**Celebrant:** Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

**People** *The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!*

*Ordinary Time*

**Celebrant:** Blessed be God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

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

**The Collect for Purity**

*The Celebrant and the People pray together.*

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 Summary of the Law**

*The Celebrant then reads the Summary of the Law. The Decalogue may be used at any time in place of the Summary of the Law. It is appropriate to use the Decalogue throughout the seasons of Advent and Lent and on other penitential occasions.*

Jesus said: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You

shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets. *Matthew 22:37-40*

**Or**

The Decalogue

*Celebrant* God spoke these words and said: I am the LORD your God. You shall have no other gods but me.

*People* Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

*Celebrant* You shall not make for yourself any idol.

*People* Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

*Celebrant* You shall not take the Name of the LORD your God in vain.

*People* Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

*Celebrant* Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.

*People* Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

*Celebrant* Honor your father and your mother.

*People* Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

*Celebrant* You shall not murder.

*People* Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

*Celebrant* You shall not commit adultery.

*People* Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

*Celebrant* You shall not steal.

*People* Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

*Celebrant* You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

*People* Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

*Celebrant* You shall not covet.

*People* Lord, have mercy upon us, and write all these, your laws, in our hearts, we beseech you.

Ex. 20:1-17; Dt. 5:6-2

**The Kyrie**

Lord, have mercy upon us.

*Christ, have mercy upon us.*

Lord, have mercy upon us.

**Or**

***The Trisagion***

Holy God,  
Holy and Mighty,  
Holy Immortal One,  
*Have mercy upon us.*

**Or**

**The Gloria in Excelsis**

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.  
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,  
    we worship you, we give you thanks,  
    we praise you for your glory.  
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:  
    have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
    receive our prayer.  
For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
    Jesus Christ,  
    with the Holy Spirit,  
    in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

**The Collect of the Day**

*The Celebrant says to the People*

The Lord be with you.

*People* And with your spirit.

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

**The Lessons (Please see handout)**

**The Sermon**

**Nicene Creed**

*On Sundays, other Major Feast Days, and other times as appointed, all stand to recite the Nicene Creed, the Celebrant first saying*

Let us confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed:

*Celebrant and People*

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, visible and invisible.  
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,  
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and 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]<sup>1</sup>,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who 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**

*Celebrant:* Let us pray for the Church and the world.

We pray for the people and clergy of \_\_\_\_\_, asking you Lord to  
bless and strengthen their ministry and fellowship to be good witnesses for Jesus Christ.  
Amen.

We pray for Fr. Stephen Post of the Mission of the Good Shepherd, Belize, Central  
America and for Jamie, Patricia, Ashanti, Orlando, Stephanie and Dionnie.

Inspire your universal Church by your Spirit, granting that all who confess your holy Name may agree in the truth of your holy Word and live in unity and godly love;

Give grace, heavenly Father, to all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, and especially to our Bishop and Archbishop, Foley and for Assisting Bishops Frank, David and Terrel and all priests and deacons, especially Terry that by their life and teaching, they may proclaim your true and life-giving Word, and rightly administer your holy Sacraments;

Give your grace and heavenly benediction Lord, to our brothers and sisters in Christ who are persecuted for their faith, we especially remember this day (N.)

For our nation, for those in authority and for all in public service especially the President of the United States, the Vice-President, the Congress and all state and local elected officials. Give them wise and discerning hearts to benefit the people under their care;

Help us to fulfill your great commission; making disciples of all nations; teaching them to obey all that you have commanded;

We humbly ask you, gracious Lord, to comfort and strengthen all those who, in this transitory life are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity especially (N.)

We bless your holy Name for all your servants who departed this life in your faith and fear, praying you would grant us grace to follow their good examples, that with them we might partake in your heavenly kingdom;

*Reader I invite you to add your own prayers at this time.*

We pray your blessing upon those who are fed in body and soul from the Little Free Pantry. Thank you for the generosity of its benefactors and those who volunteer their time to keep the pantry stocked and ready to serve the community. Guide us in our abundance to care for those in momentary need.

*The Celebrant concludes with the following prayer*

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. Amen.

**The Confession and Absolution of Sin** *(Pause for reflection)*

***Celebrant:*** Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, and 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 might delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name.

*People:* Amen.

*The Bishop or Priest stands and says*

The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution and remission of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. **Amen**

**Or**

Almighty God have mercy upon 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 Comfortable Words**

*Celebrant:* Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to Him.

Come unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. Mat. 11:28

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life. John 3:16

This is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. 1 Timothy 1:15

If any man sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and He is the perfect offering for our sins, and not for ours only, but for the sins of the whole world. 1 John 2:1-2

### **Kyrie**

*The Celebrant and People may sing or pray together once or three times*

Lord, have mercy [upon us].	or	Kyrie eleison.
Christ, have mercy [upon us].		Christe eleison.
Lord, have mercy [upon us].		Kyrie eleison.

### **The Peace**

<i>Celebrant</i>	The Peace of the Lord be always with you.
<i>People</i>	And with your spirit.

## The Offertory

*Celebrant* Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for everything in heaven and on earth is yours; yours is the Kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as Head above all. All things come from you, O Lord,

*People* And of your own have we given you. (1 Chronicles 29:11, 14)

**Or**

*Celebrant* Ascribe to the Lord, the honor due his Name; bring offerings and come into his courts. (Psalm 96:8)

**Or**

*Celebrant* I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.

(Romans 12:1)

## The Sursum Corda

*The People remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and sings or says*

	The Lord be with you.
<i>People</i>	And with your spirit.
<i>Celebrant</i>	Lift up your hearts.
<i>People</i>	We lift them to the Lord.
<i>Celebrant</i>	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
<i>People</i>	It is just and right so to do.

*The Celebrant continues*

It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks, to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

*Advent*

Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great glory to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing.

*Christmas*

Because you gave Jesus Christ, your only Son, to be born for us; who, by the Holy Spirit and Virgin Mary his mother, was made truly man, yet without the stain of sin, that we might be cleansed from sin and given the right to become your children.

*Epiphany*

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who took on our mortal flesh to reveal his glory; that he might bring us out of darkness and into his own glorious light.

*Presentation, Annunciation and Transfiguration*

Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

*Lent*

You bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you.

*Easter*

But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was offered for us, and has taken away the sin of the world; who by his death has destroyed death, and by his rising again has won for us everlasting life.

*Ascension*

Through your dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who after his most glorious resurrection appeared to his Apostles, and in their sight ascended into heaven to prepare a place for us; that where he is, there we might also ascend, and reign with Him in glory.

*Pentecost*

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; according to whose most true promise, the Holy Spirit came down from heaven, lighting upon the disciples, to teach them and to lead them into all truth, giving them boldness and fervent zeal constantly to preach the Gospel to all nations; by which we have been brought out of darkness and error into the clear light and true knowledge of you, and of your Son Jesus Christ.

*Trinity Sunday*

Who, with your co-eternal Son and Holy Spirit, are one God, one Lord, in Trinity of Persons and in Unity of Substance. For that which we believe of your glory, O Father, we believe the same of your Son, and of the Holy Spirit, without any difference or inequality.

*The Lord's Day*

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.



Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

### **The Sanctus**

*Celebrant and People*

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.

### **The Prayer of Consecration** (Please stand or kneel)

*The Celebrant continues*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent your only Son Jesus Christ into the world for our salvation. By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he became flesh and dwelt among us. In obedience to your will, he stretched out his arms upon the Cross and offered himself once for all, that by his suffering and death we might be saved. By his resurrection he broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory, that we might come with confidence before the throne of grace.

### **The Word's of Institution**

On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ 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.”**

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, **“Drink 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: Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me.”**

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

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

Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Sanctify us also, that we may worthily receive this holy Sacrament, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us and we in him. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us with all your saints into the joy of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face.

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. AMEN.

### **The Lord's Prayer**

*Celebrant:* And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

*Celebrant and People together pray*

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 Fraction**

*A period of silence is kept. Then may be sung or said*

*Celebrant*      [Alleluia.] Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

*People*         Therefore let us keep the feast. [Alleluia.]

### **The Prayer of Humble Access**

*Celebrant and People together may say*

We do not presume to come to this your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table; but you are the same Lord whose character is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his

body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

### **The Agnus Dei**

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;  
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;  
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;  
grant us your peace.

### **The Ministration of Communion**

*Facing the People, the Celebrant may say 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.]

**Or**

Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb. John 1:29, Revelation 19:9

*The Ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the People. The Bread and Cup are given to the communicants with these words*

The Body of our Lord Jesus Christ keep you in everlasting life.  
The Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ keep you in everlasting life.

**Or**

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven.  
The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation.

### **The postcommunion Prayer**

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

Let us pray.

We thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal Kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.

Or

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 Blessing**

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. Amen.

Or

The blessing of God Almighty: Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be with you now and remain with you always. Amen.

*A hymn, psalm, or anthem may be sung after the Blessing (or following the Dismissal).*

### **The Dismissal**

Deacon (Alleluia! Alleluia!) Let us go forth in the Name of Christ.

Or

Deacon (Alleluia! Alleluia!) Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Or

Deacon (Alleluia! Alleluia!) Go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

*People* Thanks be to God. (Alleluia! Alleluia!)