Nicene Creed

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 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.

Prayers of the People

The leader adds specific intercessions to the prayers where appropriate.

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ’s Church and the world.

Almighty and everlasting God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayer, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness, as is meet to all them that believe.

We beseech thee also to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of governmental in this and every land, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their lives and serve thee with glad hearts.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor all those who in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faithful and dear service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of all thy saints, that with them we may be partners of thy heavenly kingdom.

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ’s sake, our only Mediator and Advocate, Amen.
Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all men: We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness; which we from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty, provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings: the remembrance of them is grievous unto us, the burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ’s sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honor and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Celebrant pronounces absolution and then the congregation stands.

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you. And with thy spirit.

The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer II

Likewise, after supper, he 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 remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.”

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again in glory, we beseech thee, that thou wouldest vouchsafe, of thine infinite goodness, to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

And with whom, and by whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, the most precious Body and Blood of our Saviour Jesus Christ, all glory and honor be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. Amen.

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. 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 Breaking of the Bread

The Gifts of the God for the People of the God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The congregation begins moving forward to the altar as soon as the Celebrant says as the words, “The Gifts of God for the People of the God.”

Communion

In this Eucharistic Prayer, all baptized Christians are encouraged to receive communion. This rite is intended for all Christians who have received baptism and have made profession of faith. All who participate in the Eucharist are welcomed, regardless of their faith tradition. All are invited to receive, whether they are members of the Episcopal Church or not. This practice is consistent with the teaching of Jesus, who extended the invitation to all, regardless of their background or affiliation.

Sending out of Eucharistic Visitors

We who are many are one body.

For we all share one bread, and one cup.

Postcommunion Prayer

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with thy Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporated in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as those that prepare us for walking in the way of Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

Blessing

The peace of God, which passeth 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 Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. Amen.

The Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Thanks be to God.

We pray for the repose of the soul of

Edwin Anderson Bowen

Marcia Quale Chells Kay

Flowers are given to the glory of God in thanksgiving for the marriage of

Roderick Alan Woodstock and Carrie Elizabeth Pizada

Prayers for health and wholeness have been asked for...

Alex, Alice, Alvarrez family, Andrew, Angela, Anne, Ananya, Anthony, Arlo, Austin, Becky, Beverly, Bill Ed, Bob, Bobby, Bowdon, Carmen, Celina, Chells Kay family, Chip, Chris, Christine, Chuck, Coyne family, Dalia, Dan, David, Debbie, Deborah, DJ, Don, Donna, Dorothy, Edwin, Elena, Emmy, Evan, Frank, Ford, Gay, George, Grippon, Hannah, Holly, Hunter, Jack, James, Jan, Jason, Jeanne, Jerry, Joaquin, John, Jonathan, Judy, Kay, Kelly, Kelly Ann, Ken, Kendall, Kim, Larry, Linda, Louise, Loyda, Lucy, Lydia, Lynn, Malcolm, Mallory, Marcia, Margot, Maria, Marie, Marilyn, Mark, Marky, Mary, Mary Ann, Matthew, Meredith, Michael, Mikey Miriam, Nancy, Nathan, Neel, Nolan family, Pam, Pat, Patricia, Peggy, Peter, Renee, Reysean, Richard, Ricky, Robert, Sally, Sandra, Scott, Shane, Sharon, Shaun, Shawn, Spencer, Stephen, Steve, Sue, Susan, Suzanne, Susy, Sylvia, Taryn, Ted, Thomas, Tom, Vicki, Vincent, Ward, and those serving our country... Alex, Benjamin, Christian, Clara, Eric, George, Harold, Herbert, John, Lorne, Luster Michael, Thomas, Tommy, and William.

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