The Word of God

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.

Prelude

At the sound of bells, the congregation stands.

The Celebrant begins with the west end of the church.

The congregation is seated.

Lesson

Jeremiah 32:1-2, 6-15

The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord in the tenth year of King Zedekiah of Judah, which was the eighteenth year of Nebuchadnezzar. At that time the army of the king of Babylon was besieging Jerusalem, and the prophet Jeremiah was confined in the court of the guard that was in the palace of the king of Judah, where King Zedekiah of Judah had confined him. Jeremiah said, The word of the Lord came to me: Hanamel son of your uncle Shallum is going to come to you and say, Buy my field that is at Anathoth, for the right of redemption by purchase is yours.

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 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 conceived by the Holy Spirit in the womb of Mary, 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.
The Celebrant adds a Proper Preface then continues
Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus and Benedictus

Land of Rest

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the Sanctus and Benedictus.

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.

Communion

In the Episcopal Church, all baptized Christians are encouraged to receive communion. This is the Lord’s table. It is the Lord’s wish that those who want to reaffirm their union with the Lord and each other should receive communion. During communion, please come forward at the direction of the ushers to the high altar, fitting in at the altar rail from right to left, and either kneeling or standing to receive. For those who prefer not to use the steps, please signal the clergy circulating to request that communion be brought to you in your pew. Our custom is to receive both elements by putting hands forward, palms cruised and facing upward to receive the bread, and by guiding the chalice lightly to receive the wine. Please note that receiving just the bread or wine alone is fully receiving communion. If you would like to receive a blessing instead, simply cross your arms across your chest. Gluten-free wafers are available at the high altar; let the priest know when you go up to receive.

The congregation kneels or remains standing, and the Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world. When he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, “Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he 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. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith: 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. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

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, and the power, and the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Al-le-lu-ia. Christ our Pass-over is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Al-le-lu-ia.

We pray for the repose of the soul of
Baron Hilton
Virginia Dees Clifton Perry
Flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of
Toby Penn

Prayers for healing and wholeness have been asked for... Adam, Alice, Andrew, Angela, Anita, Anthony, Arlo, Austin, Beth, Bill Ed, Bob, Bobby, Campbell, Carmen, Chris, Christine, Chuck, Dalia, Deborah, Debbie, DJ, Donna, Dorothy, Edmund, Edwin, Elena, Ellen, Emmy, Enid, Evan, Frank, Fred, Gay, Gerry, Greg, Guy, Helen, Holly, Hunter, Jack, James, Janet, Jerry, Joaquin, John, John Joseph, Jonathan, Judy, Kathlyn, Kathryn, Kay, Kelley, Ken, Kendall, Kenlyn, Linda, Lucy, Lynn, Magdalena, Malcolm, Marcia, Mariela, Marge, Mark, Martin, Mary, Mary Ann, Mary Lou, Matthew, Michael, Miriam, Nancy, Nolan family, Pat, Peggy, Phylis, Reysean, Richard, Ricky, Robbie, Robert, Rudy, Sally, Shane, Sharon, Shawn, Stephen, Sue, Susan, Sweeting Family, Sylvia, Taryn, Ted, Thomas, Vincent, Viola, Ward, Willie, and those serving our country... Alex, Benjamin, Christian, Clara, Eric, George, Harold, Herbert, John, Lorne, Luther Michael, and Tommy.

Blessing

Hymn 383 Fairest Lord Jesus St. Elizabeth

The Dismissal

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Response

And now, as our Savior Christ, has 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. 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.

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