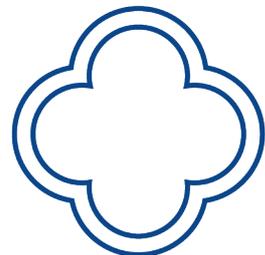
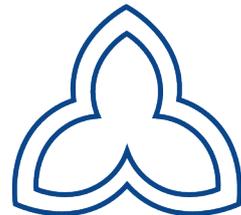
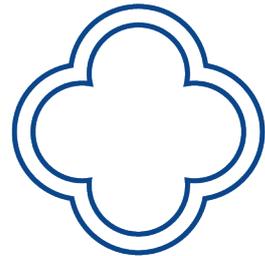
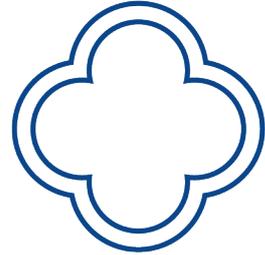
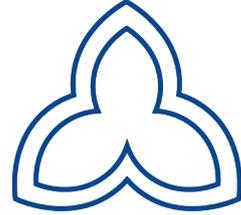


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# Service of the Word



## ***Service of the Word***

### *Greeting*

Grace, mercy and peace  
from God our Father  
and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.  
**and also with you.**

### Hymn

### *Introduction to the confession*

God so loved the world, the Saviour said  
that he gave his only son  
Jesus Christ to save us from our sins,  
to be our advocate in heaven,  
and to bring us to eternal life.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith,  
firmly resolved to keep God's commandments  
and to live in love and peace with all.

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,  
we have sinned against you  
and against our neighbour  
in thought word and deed,  
through negligence,  
through weakness,  
through our own deliberate fault.  
We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
who died for us, forgive us all that is past,  
and grant we may serve you  
in newness of life to the glory of your name.  
Amen.**

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*We are forgiven*

Almighty God,  
who forgives all who truly repent.  
Have mercy upon us,  
pardon and deliver us from all our sins,  
confirm and strengthen us in all goodness,  
and keep us in life eternal,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

*The Collect (or an alternative may be said)*

God of holiness,  
your glory is proclaimed in every age:  
as we rejoice in the faith of your saints,  
inspire us to follow their example  
with boldness and joy;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

*First Reading*

Hymn

*The Second Reading*

*Talk/Reflection*

The Anthem

*We stand to say the 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 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.**

*Please be seated for Prayers of intercession*

*To conclude our intercessions –*

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray.  
**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
Hallowed be thy Name.  
Thy Kingdom come.  
Thy will be done in earth,  
As it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
As we forgive them that trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
But deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
The power, and the glory,  
For ever and ever.  
Amen.**

## Hymn

### *Act of Commitment*

Christ, you call us.

**Help us respond to your call.**

Christ, you call us

**to be your people in the world.**

**We will follow your call to be our people:**

**our hands will do your work,**

**our feet will walk your way.**

Christ, you call us.

**Help us respond to your call.**

Christ, you call each one to be your child for the world.

**May our hearts search for your truth,**

**may our souls listen for your voice,**

**may our lives follow in your path.**

Christ, you call each one of us.

**Help us respond to your call.**

Christ, you call us

**to be your people in the world.**

**We are the body of Christ.**

*Going out to serve God*

Let us bless the Lord:  
**thanks be to God.**  
**Blessing, honour and glory be yours,**  
**here and everywhere,**  
**now and for ever.**  
**Amen.**

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



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