

The Introit (Latin “He enters in.”)

1 Chronicles 16:7-9, 23 On that day David first delivered this psalm into the hand of Asaph and his brethren, to thank the Lord: 8 Oh, give thanks to the Lord! Call upon His name; Make known His deeds among the peoples! 9 Sing to Him, sing psalms to Him; Talk of all His wondrous works! ...23 Sing to the Lord, all the earth; Proclaim the good news of His salvation from day to day.

Psalm 30:4 Sing praise to the Lord, You saints of His, And give thanks at the remembrance of His holy name.

Luke 24:44 Then He said to them, “These are the words which I spoke to you while I was still with you, that all things must be fulfilled which were written in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms **concerning Me.**”

Romans 16:25-27 Now to Him who is able to establish you according to my gospel and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery kept secret since the world began 26but now has been made manifest, and by the prophetic Scriptures has been made known to all nations, according to the commandment of the everlasting God, for obedience to the faith— 27to God, alone wise, be glory through Jesus Christ forever. Amen.

Ephesians 3:21 ...to Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

Philippians 4:20 Now to our God and Father be glory forever and ever. Amen.

Revelation 1:6-8 ...and has made us kings and priests to His God and Father, to Him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. 7Behold, He is coming with clouds, and every eye will see Him, even they who pierced Him. And all the tribes of the earth will mourn because of Him. Even so, Amen. 8“I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End,” says the Lord, “who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.”

Introit consists of

Antiphon

Psalm

Gloria Patri (“Glory to the Father”) Lesser Doxology

Antiphon repeated

--The text varies as it is one of the propers, which goes with the theme of the day.

--The Gloria Patri is omitted during Passiontide (the last two weeks before Easter).

--It is customary to bow the head at the Gloria Patri and the name of Jesus.

--Pope Celestine I (d. 432) decreed that an entire psalm should be sung antiphonally by a double choir.

--Names of the Sundays usually comes from the first words of the Introit antiphons.

--Four Psalmody chants: Introit, Gradual, Offertory, Communion

The Kyrie (from the Greek: “Kyrie, eleison”)

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Isaiah 6:5 So I said: “Woe is me, for I am undone! Because I am a man of unclean lips, And I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; For my eyes have seen the King, The Lord of hosts.”

Luke 5:8 When Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus’ knees, saying, “Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord!”

Hebrews 4:16 Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Matthew 9:27 When Jesus departed from there, two blind men followed Him, crying out and saying, “Son of David, have mercy on us!”

Matthew 15:22 And behold, a woman of Canaan came from that region and cried out to Him, saying, “Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David! My daughter is severely demon-possessed.”

Matthew 20:30-31 And behold, two blind men sitting by the road, when they heard that Jesus was passing by, cried out, saying, “Have mercy on us, O Lord, Son of David!” 31 Then the multitude warned them that they should be quiet; but they cried out all the more, saying, “Have mercy on us, O Lord, Son of David!” (**Lk 18:38**)

Mark 10:47 And when he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to cry out and say, “Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!”

Luke 17:13 And they lifted up their voices and said, “Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!”

Psalms 25:16 Turn Yourself to me, and have mercy on me, For I am desolate and afflicted.

Psalms 26:11 But as for me, I will walk in my integrity; Redeem me and be merciful to me.

***Psalm 41:4** I said, “Lord, be merciful to me; Heal my soul, for I have sinned against You.”

***Psalm 51:1** Have mercy upon me, O God, According to Your lovingkindness; According to the multitude of Your tender mercies, Blot out my transgressions.

Psalms 123:3 Have mercy on us, O Lord, have mercy on us! For we are exceedingly filled with contempt.

LW 209, TLH 6 Kyrie, God Father (*kyrie fons bonitatis, c. 800*)

It expresses our humility and an appreciation of our own weakness and need. And yet, not without confidence that God grants mercy!

Luke 18:35-43 Then it happened, as He was coming near Jericho, that a certain blind man sat by the road begging. 36 And hearing a multitude passing by, he asked what it meant. 37 So they told him that Jesus of Nazareth was passing by. 38 And he cried out, saying, **“Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!”** 39 Then those who went before warned him that he should be quiet; but he cried out all the more, **“Son of David, have mercy on me!”** 40 So Jesus stood still and commanded him to be brought to Him. And when he had come near, He asked him, 41 saying, “What do you want Me to do for you?” He said, “Lord, that I may receive my sight.” 42 Then Jesus said to him, **“Receive your sight; your faith has made you well.”** 43 And immediately he received his sight, and followed Him, glorifying God. And **all the people, when they saw it, gave praise to God.**

The Gloria in Excelsis (Luke 2:14 “Glory in the highest.”, The Greater Doxology)

GLORY be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

**We praise Thee,
we bless Thee,
we worship Thee,
we glorify Thee,
we give thanks to Thee for Thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the
Father Almighty.**

O Lord, the Only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;

**O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.**

Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For Thou only art holy;

Thou only art the Lord;

**Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the
Father. Amen.**

Luke 2:13-14 And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying: 14 “Glory to God in the highest, And on earth peace, goodwill toward men!”

John 1:29 The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, “Behold! The Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!”

--Though first used at a Christmas Eve mass (found in Liber Pontificalis, c. 530 AD). Allowed for general use 600 years later.

--The Gloria in Excelsis is omitted during Advent, Gesima, and Lenten seasons due to the preparatory and penitential aspects of these seasons.

58. How may the contents of this hymn be outlined?

I. Adoration of God the Father,

a. In the words of the Angels,

b. In a rich outburst of praise and thanksgiving in the words of the Church.

II. Adoration of God the Son, By acknowledging Him as the Lord, the Only-begotten Son, the Christ, God, the Lamb of God.

III. Petition to God the Son,

a. As the One Who procures mercy, by taking away the sin of the world;

b. As the One Who dispenses mercy, sitting at the right hand of God, the Father.

IV. Praise to God the Son, In a three-fold ascription of equal holiness, power, and glory with the Father and the Holy Ghost, as the reason for our prayer and praise.

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The Salutation

Ruth 2:4 Now behold, Boaz came from Bethlehem, and said to the reapers, "The Lord be with you!" And they answered him, "The Lord bless you!"

John 20:22 And when He had said this, He breathed on them, and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit.

1 Timothy 4:14 Do not neglect the gift that is in you, which was given to you by prophecy with the laying on of the hands of the eldership.

2 Timothy 1:6-7 Therefore I remind you to stir up the gift of God which is in you through the laying on of my hands. 7For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind.

2 Timothy 4:22 The Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. Grace be with you. Amen.

2 Corinthians 5:20 Now then, we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God were pleading through us: we implore you on Christ's behalf, be reconciled to God.

Luke 10:16 "He who hears you hears Me, he who rejects you rejects Me, and he who rejects Me rejects Him who sent Me."

The Collect

Psalm 65:2 O You who hear prayer, To You all flesh will come.

Matthew 7:7-8 "Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. 8"For everyone who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it will be opened.

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 Rejoice always, 17pray without ceasing, 18in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

63. What is the structure of the Collect?

In its full form it has five parts: (a) The invocation, (b) The antecedent reason, (c) The petition, (d) The benefit desired, (e) The doxology. The antecedent reason and the benefit desired are often wanting.

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	Ash Wednesday	VIII Trinity	VII Trinity	Sunday after Ascension
Invocation	Almighty and Everlasting God,	Lord,	O God,	Almighty, everlasting God:
Antecedent reason	Who hast made and dost forgive the sins of all those who are penitent:		Whose never-failing Providence ordereth all things both in heaven and earth:	
Petition	Create and make in us new and contrite hearts,	Grant to us, we beseech Thee, the Spirit to think and do always such things as are right;	We humbly beseech Thee to put away from us all hurtful things, and to give us those things which be profitable for us;	Make us to have always a devout will towards Thee, and to serve Thy Majesty with a pure heart;
Benefit desired	that we, worthily lamenting our sins, and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of Thee, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness;	that we, who cannot do anything that is good without Thee, may by Thee be enabled to live according to Thy will:		
Doxology	through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.	through Jesus Christ, thy Son, our Lord, etc.	through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, etc.	through Thy Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, etc.

For variations of the Doxology, see rubrics under Collects and Prayers.

Parts of the Collect

1. Address (*Invocation*)
 - 1b. Rationale (*Antecedent, Reason*)
2. Petition
 - 2b. Benefit
3. Terminology (*Doxology*)

Trinity 13

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Collect for Ash Wednesday

Almighty and Everlasting God, our Father, Who hatest nothing that Thou hast made and dost forgive the sins of all those who are penitent, create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we, worthily lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of Thee, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with the Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.

Collect for the Beginning of Lent

O Gracious God, Who retainest not Thine anger forever, but delightest in mercy and pardonest iniquity, Who wouldst be gracious to Thy people rather than pour out Thy wrath upon sinners, we beseech Thee, forgive us all our sins,

and enable us by Thy Holy Spirit to go and sin no more; for the sake of the bitter sufferings and death of Thy beloved Son Jesus Christ, our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.

Jubilate (Easter 3)

Almighty God, Who showest to them that be in error the light of Thy truth to the intent that they may return into the way of righteousness, grant unto all them that are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion that they may avoid those things that are contrary to their profession and to follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.

Cantate (Easter 4)

O God, Who makest the minds of the faithful to be of one will, grant unto Thy people that they may love what Thou commandest and desire what Thou dost promise, that among the manifold changes of this world our hearts may there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.

Rogate (Easter 5)

O God, from Whom all good things do come, grant to us, Thy humble servants, that by Thy holy inspiration we may think those things that be right and by Thy merciful guiding may perform the same; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.

Ascension

Grant, we beseech Thee, Almighty God, that like as we do believe Thine Only-Begotten Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, to have ascended into the Heavens, so may we also in heart and mind thither ascend and with Him continually dwell; Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.