

The Communion in the Divine Service

The Common Preface

The Salutation and Response

The Lord be with you. And with thy spirit.

Luke 1:28 And having come in, the angel said to her, “Rejoice, highly favored one, the Lord is with you; blessed are you among women!”

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!”

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

Sursum Corda

Lift up your hearts. We lift them up unto the Lord.

Psalm 86:4 Rejoice the soul of Your servant, For to You, O Lord, **I lift up** my soul.

Lamentations 3:41 Let us lift our hearts and hands To God in heaven.

Colossians 3:1 If then you were raised with Christ, seek those things which are **above**, where Christ is, sitting at the right hand of God.

Thanksgiving (Latin: Gratias agamus)

Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God. It is meet and right so to do.

It is truly meet, right, and salutary, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto Thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty Everlasting God...

Luke 22:19 And He took bread, **gave thanks** and broke it, and gave it to them, saying, “This is My body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of Me.”

1 Corinthians 11:24 and **when He had given thanks**, He broke it and said, “Take, eat; this is My body which is broken for you; do this in remembrance of Me.”

1 Corinthians 10:16 The cup of blessing which we bless, is it not the communion of the blood of Christ? The bread which we break, is it not the communion of the body of Christ?

Psalm 26:6-7 I will wash my hands in innocence; So I will go about Your altar, O Lord, ⁷That I may proclaim with the voice of thanksgiving, And tell of all Your wondrous works.

John 17:21 “that they all may be one, as You, **Father**, are in Me, and I in You; that they also may be one in Us, that the world may believe that You sent Me.

Psalm 116:13 I will take up the cup of salvation, And call upon the name of the Lord.

Psalm 136:1 Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for He is good! For His mercy endures forever. 2Oh, give thanks to the God of gods! For His mercy endures forever.

The Proper Prefaces

Ascription (conclusion which introduces the Sanctus)

...Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify They glorious name; evermore praising Thee and saying:

Ephesians 3:14-15 For this reason I bow my knees to **the Father** of our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁵from whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named...

The Proper Prefaces

Christmas
Epiphany (not historic, but in Common Service Book)
Lent
Easter
Ascension Day
Pentecost/Whitsunday
Trinity Sunday
Days of Apostles and Evangelists

<p><u>Other Proper Prefaces</u> Advent TLH, LW Passion LW All Saints LW Common (Sundays after Pentecost) LW</p>
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Proper Prefaces

Advent: Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, whose way John the Baptist prepared, proclaiming Him the Messiah, the very Lamb of God, and calling sinners to repentance, that they might escape from the wrath to be revealed when He cometh again in glory. Therefore —

Christmas: For in the mystery of the Word made flesh Thou hast given us a new revelation of Thy glory, that, seeing Thee in the person of Thy Son, we may be drawn to the love of those things which are not seen. Therefore —

Epiphany: And now do we praise Thee that Thou didst send unto us Thine only-begotten Son and that in Him, being found in fashion as a man, Thou didst manifest the fullness of Thy glory. Therefore —

Lent: Who on the tree of the cross didst give salvation unto mankind that, whence death arose, thence Life also might rise again; and that he who by a tree once overcame might likewise by a tree be overcome, through Christ, our Lord; through whom with angels —

Easter: But chiefly are we bound to praise Thee for the glorious resurrection of Thy Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord; for He is the very Paschal Lamb which was offered for us and hath taken away the sins of the world; who by His death hath destroyed death and by His rising to life again hath restored to us everlasting life. Therefore —

Ascension Day: Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who after His resurrection appeared openly to all His disciples and in their sight was taken up into heaven that He might make us partakers of His divine nature. Therefore —

Whitsunday: Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who ascended above the heavens and, sitting on Thy right hand, poured out on this day the Holy Spirit, as He had promised, upon the chosen disciples; whereat the whole earth rejoices with exceeding joy. Therefore —

Trinity: Who with Thine only-begotten Son and the Holy Ghost art one God, one Lord. And in the confession of the only true God we worship the Trinity in Person and the Unity in Substance, of Majesty coequal. Therefore —

Days of the Apostles and Evangelists: Because Thou didst mightily govern and protect Thy holy Church, which the blessed Apostles and Evangelists instructed in Thy divine and saving truth, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Therefore —

Then shall follow immediately:

Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Thy glorious name, evermore praising Thee and saying:
