Worship lies at the heart of the Christian life. It is in worship that we express our theology and define our identity. It is through encountering God within worship that we are formed and transformed as the people of God. One of the glories of the Episcopal Church is its liturgical worship. Liturgy refers to the patterns, forms, words, and actions through which public worship is conducted.

Please prepare your heart for worship by sitting or kneeling in silence.

The people’s responses are in bold.

THE ENTRANCE RITE
When the service is accompanied by music, it often beings with an instrumental piece of music, during which the congregation can prepare for worship.

The Prelude

*We Fall Down*  
Chris Tomlin

The Rector’s Welcome

The Great Litany
*The Great Litany will be spoken at the service.*

- **Celebrant** O God the Father, Creator of heaven and earth.
- **People** Have mercy upon us.
- **Celebrant** O God the Son, Redeemer of the world,
- **People** Have mercy upon us.
- **Celebrant** O God the Holy Ghost, Sanctifier of the faithful,
- **People** Have mercy upon us.
- **Celebrant** O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, one God,
- **People** Have mercy upon us.
Celebrant Remember not, Lord Christ, our offenses, nor the offenses of our forefathers; neither reward us according to our sins. Spare us, good Lord, spare thy people, whom thou hast redeemed with thy most precious blood, and by thy mercy preserve us forever.

People Spare us, good Lord

From all evil and wickedness; from sin; from the crafts and assaults of the devil; and from everlasting damnation. Good Lord, deliver us.

From all blindness of heart; from pride, vainglory, and hypocrisy; from envy, hatred, and malice; and from all want of charity, Good Lord, deliver us.

From all inordinate and sinful affections; and from all the deceits of the world, the flesh, and the devil, Good Lord, deliver us.

From all false doctrine, heresy, and schism; from hardness of heart, and contempt of thy Word and commandment, Good Lord, deliver us.

From lightning and tempest; from earthquake, fire, and flood; from plague, pestilence, and famine, Good Lord, deliver us.

From all oppression, conspiracy, and rebellion; from violence, battle, and murder; and from dying suddenly and unprepared, Good Lord, deliver us.

By the mystery of thy holy Incarnation; by thy holy Nativity and submission to the Law; by thy Baptism, Fasting, and Temptation, Good Lord, deliver us.

By thine Agony and Bloody Sweat; by thy Cross and Passion; by thy precious Death and Burial; by thy glorious Resurrection and Ascension; and by the Coming of the Holy Ghost, Good Lord, deliver us.

In all time of our tribulation; in all time of our prosperity; in the hour of death, and in the day of judgment, Good Lord, deliver us.

We sinners to beseech thee to hear us, O Lord God; that it may please thee to rule and govern thy holy Church Universal in the right way, We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to illumine all bishops, priests, and deacons, with true knowledge and understanding of thy Word; and that both by their preaching and living, they may set it forth, and show it accordingly, We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bless and keep all thy people, We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to send forth laborers into thy harvest, and to draw all mankind into thy kingdom, We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.
That it may please thee to give to all people increase of grace to hear and receive thy Word, and to bring forth the fruits of the Spirit,

We beesech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bring into the way of truth all such as have erred, and are deceived,

We beesech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give us a heart to love and fear thee, and diligently to live after thy commandments,

We beesech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee so to rule the hearts of thy servants, the President of the United States, and all others in authority, that they may do justice, and love mercy, and walk in the ways of truth,

We beesech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to make wars to cease in all the world; to give to all nations unity, peace, and concord; and to bestow freedom upon all peoples,

We beesech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to show thy pity upon all prisoners and captives, the homeless and the hungry, and all who are desolate and oppressed,

We beesech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give and preserve to our use the bountiful fruits of the earth, so that in due time all may enjoy them,

We beesech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to inspire us, in our several callings, to do the work which thou givest us to do with singleness of heart as thy servants, and for the common good,

We beesech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to preserve all who are in danger by reason of their labor or their travel,

We beesech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to preserve, and provide for, all women in childbirth, young children and orphans, the widowed, and all whose homes are broken or torn by strife,

We beesech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to visit the lonely; to strengthen all who suffer in mind, body, and spirit; and to comfort with thy presence those who are failing and infirm,

We beesech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to support, help, and comfort all who are in danger, necessity, and tribulation,

We beesech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to have mercy upon all mankind,

We beesech thee to hear us, good Lord.
That it may please thee to give us true repentance; to forgive us all our sins, negligences, and ignorances; and to endue us with the grace of thy Holy Spirit to amend our lives according to thy holy Word,

We beesech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to forgive our enemies, persecutors, and slanderers, and to turn their hearts,

We beesech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to strengthen such as do stand; to comfort and help the weak-hearted; to raise up those who fall; and finally to beat down Satan under our feet,

We beesech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to grant to all the faithful departed eternal life and peace,

We beesech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to grant that, in the fellowship of all the saints, we may attain to thy heavenly kingdom,

We beesech thee to hear us, good Lord.

Celebrant  O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
People     Have mercy upon us.
Celebrant  O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
People     Have mercy upon us.
Celebrant  O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
People     Grant us thy peace.
Celebrant  O Christ, hear us.
People     O Christ, hear us.
Celebrant  Lord, have mercy upon us.
People     Christ have mercy upon us.
Celebrant  Lord, have mercy upon us.

The Collect of the Day
The Collect of the Day is the prayer appointed for each Sunday that “collects” or captures the theme of the day or season of the Church year. It summarizes the attributes of God as revealed in the scriptures of the day.

Celebrant  The Lord be with you.
People     And also with you.
Celebrant  Let us pray.
Celebrant  Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations; and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Children (ages 4 - 2nd grade) may follow the children's cross to children's chapel.
THE WORD OF GOD

Please sit

The First Lesson
This reading is typically from the Old Testament (Hebrew Scriptures) which Jesus knew and from which he often referred or quoted.

When you have come into the land that the LORD your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the LORD your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the LORD your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, "Today I declare to the LORD your God that I have come into the land that the LORD swore to our ancestors to give us." When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the LORD your God, you shall make this response before the LORD your God: "A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us, we cried to the LORD, the God of our ancestors; the LORD heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O LORD, have given me." You shall set it down before the LORD your God and bow down before the LORD your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the LORD your God has given to you and to your house.

Reader  The Word of the Lord.
People  Thanks be to God.

Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16

1 He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High, *
  abides under the shadow of the Almighty.

2 He shall say to the LORD,
  "You are my refuge and my stronghold, *
  my God in whom I put my trust."

9 Because you have made the LORD your refuge, *
  and the Most High your habitation,

10 There shall no evil happen to you, *
  neither shall any plague come near your dwelling.

11 For he shall give his angels charge over you, *
  to keep you in all your ways.

12 They shall bear you in their hands, *
  lest you dash your foot against a stone.
13 You shall tread upon the lion and adder; *  
     you shall trample the young lion and the serpent under your feet.

14 Because he is bound to me in love,  
     therefore will I deliver him; *  
     I will protect him, because he knows my Name.

15 He shall call upon me, and I will answer him; *  
     I am with him in trouble;  
     I will rescue him and bring him to honor.

16 With long life will I satisfy him, *  
     and show him my salvation.

The Second Lesson  
Romans 10:8b-13

This reading, taken from the New Testament, is typically from a letter (epistle) to the early Church, the Acts of the Apostles, or the Revelation to John.

"The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

Reader  
The Word of the Lord.

People  
Thanks be to God.

Hymn at the Sequence  
(10:30 a.m. service only)  
Alleluia III: 28

Create in Me

The Holy Gospel  

This reading is taken from one of the four gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John), which depict the life, teachings, death, resurrection, and ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Celebrant  
The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People  
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

After his baptism, Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone.'" Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And the devil said to him, "To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'" Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw
yourself down from here, for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'" Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

Celebrant  The Gospel of the Lord.
People       Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon  The Rev. Eric Mancil

The sermon directly follows the Gospel because it is to be grounded in the scriptures. It illuminates the scriptural readings and relates them to daily life.

Please stand.

The Nicene Creed

The word "creed" comes from the Latin "credo" for "I believe." First formulated at the Council of Nicaea in 325 AD and confirmed in 381 AD, the Nicene Creed is said at the Holy Eucharist and reflects what Christians believe regarding the relationship between the Father, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit: The Holy Trinity.

Celebrant and People

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,
ture 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.

The Prayers of the People (from Intercessions for the Christian People)
We pray for ourselves and particularly on behalf of others. In our prayers we pray for the Universal Church, the nation and all who govern, the welfare of the world, the concerns of our community of faith, including those who are in need or suffer, and for the departed. We are reminded in prayer that we are part of a larger fellowship, the Church - the Body of Christ.

Celebrant
In this holy season let us turn to God in prayer, saying: Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor
For the catechumens and for all the holy people of God, that we may be led by the Spirit to hunger for the word of life, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, hear our prayer.

For the peoples and nations of the world, and for those in authority, that power and glory may not turn us from the way of justice and peace, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, hear our prayer.

For all who are afflicted and oppressed, that God will open our ears to their cry, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, hear our prayer.

For this community, that we may believe in our hearts and confess with our lips the word that is near, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, hear our prayer.

For our own needs and those of others, that God may be gracious to us in our need, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, hear our prayer.

The people may add their own petitions, either silently or aloud.

Celebrant
Strong and faithful God, hear us as we cry to you. Stretch out your hand to save us, that we may praise you for your mercy. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.
Please stand.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.

The people greet one another with a sign of God’s peace and are then seated for the announcements.

Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Offertory
Having listened to the Word of God, affirmed our faith, confessed our sins, received forgiveness, and shared in the peace, we are prepared for the drama and miracle of the Holy Communion. At the offertory, we gratefully offer back to God some of what God has given us, symbolically in the bread and wine and in the money we give.

An offering is received to support the parish’s ministry of sharing God’s love with the world. You may also give online at the following link: http://holyspirit-al.org/index.php/give/online-giving/

The altar is prepared for Holy Communion.

Offertory Song (10:30 a.m. service only)

Do it Again

Elevation Worship

All stand as alms and oblations are presented at the altar.

8:30 a.m. service

The Presentation

Celebrant All things come of thee, O Lord.
People And of thine own have we given thee.
10:30 a.m. service

Hymn at the Presentation

We are one in Christ

arr. James Chepponis

All sing the refrain. After the cantor sings the verse, all repeat the refrain.

Refrain

As the bread of life is broken, the cup of love out-poured, We are one in Christ, our Savior, and sent to serve the Lord.

Verse

In the bread of life here given, we become what we receive. In the cup of love here offered, affirm what we believe.

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant

This is the table, not of the Church but of Jesus Christ. It is made ready for those who love God and who want to love God more. So come, you who have much faith and you who have little, you who have been here often and you who have not been for a long time or ever before, you who have tried to follow and you who have failed. Come, not because the Church invites you; it is Christ who invites you to be known and fed here.

Celebrant

The Lord be with you.

People

And also with you.

Celebrant

Lift up your hearts.

People

We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Celebrant says proper preface.

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:
Celebrant and People

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Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

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Then 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. On the night 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:

Celebrant and People
Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

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, now and for ever. AMEN.

The Lord’s Prayer

*We pray together the prayer that Jesus taught his disciples to pray. The link between our daily bread and the spiritual food we receive in the Eucharist is an ancient connection.*

_Celebrant_

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

_Celebrant and People_

Our Father in heaven,
    hallowed be your Name,
    your kingdom come,
    your will be done,
    on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
    as we forgive those
    who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
    and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
    and the glory are yours,
    now and for ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread & the Fraction Anthem

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.
The Invitation to Holy Communion

Celebrant  Behold what you are.
People     May we become what we receive.

The people are seated.

All who seek God and a deeper life in Christ are welcome to receive Holy Communion. To receive the bread, hold out your hands, one on top of the other, and the Celebrant will place the consecrated wafer in your hands. You may consume it immediately and cross your arms over your chest, indicating that you do not wish to receive the wine. If you would like to receive the wine, you may instinct (dip) the bread in the wine. At this time, no one may drink directly from the chalice. If you prefer to receive a blessing from the priest rather than communion, please make your desire known by crossing your arms over your chest.

Those who wish to have Holy Communion brought to them at their seat should notify an usher.

Music During the Communion

Alleluia III: 198 & 201

Please stand.

The Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant and People

Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Solemn Prayer over the People

Celebrant
Bow down before the Lord.

The people may kneel or bow as able.

Grant almighty God, that your people may recognize their weakness and put their whole trust in your strength, so that they may rejoice for ever in the protection of your loving providence; through Christ our Lord. Amen.
The people stand as able

The Dismissal

Celebrant
Let us bless the Lord.

People
Thanks be to God.

Hymn at the Closing (10:30 a.m. service only)

Lord, who throughout these forty days

During Lent, there is no Postlude offered at the end of the service.
WORSHIP MINISTERS
Celebrant, The Rev. Eric Mancil

8:30 a.m.
LEM, Carol Smedley
Lector, Stenson Lawyer

10:30 a.m.
LEM, Michael Matthews
Lector, Leslie Riley
Intercessor, John Williams
Crucifer, Sophie Mancil
Torchbearer, Ryan Stephens, Mia Stephens
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