

Call to Worship (responsive)

Matthew 28: 5-6

Pastor: The angel said, “Do not be afraid!
For I know that you are looking for
Jesus who has been crucified.”

People: **He is not here, for He has risen ...
just as He said.**

Pastor: Christ is risen.

People: **Christ is risen indeed!**

Pastor: Let us give thanks and worship God!

Prayer of Adoration (unison)
The Book of Common Worship

Glory to You, O God, on this day You won victory over death, raising Jesus from the grave and giving us eternal life. Glory to You, O Christ, for us and for our salvation You overcame death and opened the gate to everlasting life. Glory to You, O Holy Spirit, You lead us into the truth. Glory to You, O Blessed Trinity, now and forever. Amen.

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Almighty God, in raising Jesus from the grave, You shattered the power of sin and death. We confess we remain captive to doubt and fear, bound by the ways that lead to death. We overlook the poor and the hungry, and those who mourn; we are deaf to the cries of the oppressed, and indifferent to the calls for peace; we despise the weak, and abuse the earth You made. Forgive us, God of mercy. Help us to trust Your power to change our lives and make us new that we may know the joy of life abundant given in Jesus Christ the risen Lord. Amen.

The Prayer Upon Leaving the Table (unison)

**Loving God, You have given us a share in the one bread and one cup, and made us one with Christ. Help us to bring Your salvation and joy to the world. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

***Prayer of Dedication**

O God, creator of the world and giver of all good things, we give thanks and make our offerings for the work of Your kingdom. Bless all that we plan and all that we do, that it might be according to Your will and a blessing to Your people. In these gifts, we give our thanks. Amen.