LENTEN RESOURCES
Year A

Opening Acclamations

Celebrant

✠ Blessed be the God of our salvation:  
Who bears our burdens and forgives our sins.

BCP (adapted)

Celebrant

✠ Blessed be God who forgives all our sins.

People

Whose mercy endures forever.

Collects for Purity

Enriching Our Worship: Alcuin of York

Holy Wisdom, in your loving kindness you created us, and restored us when we were lost; inspire us with your truth, that we may love you with our whole minds, and run to you with open hearts, through Christ our Savior. Amen

Veronese Sacramentary

God our refuge and our rock: keep us safe in your care and strengthen us with your grace, that we may pray to you faithfully and love one another boldly, following the example of Jesus, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns forever and ever. Amen

Church of England: New Patterns for Worship

Faithful one, whose word is life: come with saving power - to free our praise, inspire our prayer, and shape our lives for the kingdom of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Church of England: New Patterns for Worship

Almighty God, your Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence. Give us new hearts and constant wills to worship you in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
Invitations to Penitence

Anglican Church of Australia

Compassion and forgiveness belong to the Lord our God, though we have rebelled and wandered far off. Let us then ask for mercy, confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

Anglican Church of Canada

Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God’s forgiveness.

Church of England, Common Worship

The sacrifice of God is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart God will not despise.
Let us come to the Lord, who is full of compassion, and acknowledge our transgressions in penitence and faith.

Church of England, Common Worship

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. Let us confess our sins, remembering before God the times when we have fallen from temptation into sin. (Silence)

Celebrant: Return to the Lord, who will have mercy:
People to our God, who will richly pardon. (Isaiah 55.7)
Celebrant: Let us consider our sinfulness and our need for God’s mercy. (Silence)
Celebrant: The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit;
People a broken and contrite heart God will not despise. (Psalm 51.17)
Celebrant: Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith

Invitations from the Scripture of the Day

A Lent 1 (if the Great Litany is not used)

Celebrant: Happy are those whose transgressions are forgiven,
People And whose sin is put away (Ps.32:1)

OR

Celebrant: One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God (Mt 4:1)
Let us call to mind our sinfulness and our need for God’s mercy. (Silence)
A Lent 2

Celebrant: I lift up my eyes to the hills; from where is my help to come? My help comes from the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth. (Ps.121:1)

OR

Celebrant: God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish, but may have eternal life. (John 3:16)

With confidence let us confess our sins in penitence and faith.

A Lent 3

Celebrant: The Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods.

People In his hands are the caverns of the earth, and the heights of the hills are his also (Ps 95:3-4)

OR

Celebrant: Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand (Rom: 5:1)

Let us seek the forgiveness of God through Jesus, the Savior of the world.

A Lent 4

Celebrant: Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life

People and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever, (Ps.23:6)

OR

Celebrant: Once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light.

Live as children of the light. (Eph 5:8)

Let us turn to the Lord with confidence, for is full of gentleness and compassion. (Silence)

A Lent 5

Celebrant: If you, O Lord, should mark our guilt, Lord, who would survive?

People But with you is found forgiveness; for this we adore you. (Ps 130:2-3)

OR

Celebrant: “I am the resurrection and the life,” says the Lord. “Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die.” (Jn:11:25)

Let us approach the throne of grace, seeking healing and salvation. (Silence)
Confessions

God of all mercy,
we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.
We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf.
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love
and serve only your will. Amen.

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned
in thought, word and deed.
We have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
In your mercy, forgive what we have been,
help us to amend what we are, and direct what we shall be;
that we may do justly, love mercy,
and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.

Eternal God, giver of light and grace,
we have sinned against you and against our neighbor,
in what we have thought,
and in what we have said and done,
- through ignorance, through weakness,
through our own deliberate fault.
We have wounded your love, and marred your image in us.
We are sorry and ashamed, 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 lead us out from darkness
to walk as children of light. Amen.
Eternal God, you have loved us with an everlasting love, but we have broken your holy laws and have left undone what we ought to have done. We are sorry for our sins and turn away from them. For the sake of your Son who died for us, forgive us, cleanse us and change us. By your Holy Spirit, enable us to live for you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Kyrie Confessions**

You raise the dead to life in the Spirit. 
Lord, have mercy.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

You bring pardon and peace to the broken in heart. 
Christ, have mercy.  
**Christ, have mercy.**

You make one by your Spirit the torn and divided. 
Lord, have mercy.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

Friend of sinners, you bring hope in our despair. 
Lord, have mercy.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

Healer of the sick, you give strength in our weakness. 
Christ, have mercy.  
**Christ, have mercy.**

Destroyer of evil, you bring life in our dying. 
Lord, have mercy.  
**Lord, have mercy.**
You were sent to heal the contrite
Lord, have mercy.
**Lord, have mercy.**

You came to call sinners
Christ, have mercy.
**Christ, have mercy.**

You plead for us at the right hand of the Father
Lord, have mercy.
**Lord, have mercy.**

In a dark and disfigured world, you are the light of life:
Lord, have mercy.
**Lord, have mercy.**

In a hungry and despairing world, you are the bread of life
Christ, have mercy.
**Christ, have mercy.**

In a cold and loveless world, you are the good shepherd, leading us to everlasting life:
Lord, have mercy.
**Lord, have mercy.**

The First Sunday of Lent – Jesus is tempted in the wilderness

Artist of souls, you sculpted a people for yourself out of the rocks of wilderness and fasting. Help us as we take up your invitation to prayer and simplicity, that the discipline of these forty days may sharpen our hunger for the feast of your holy friendship, and whet our thirst for the living water you offer through Jesus Christ. Amen.

God of mercy, your word was the sure defense of Jesus in his time of testing. Minister to us in the wilderness of our temptation, that we who have been set free from sin by Christ may serve you well into life everlasting. Amen.
Almighty God, whose Son fasted forty days in the wilderness, and was tempted as we are, yet did not sin:
give us grace to discipline ourselves in submission to your Spirit, that, as you know our weakness, so we may know your power to save; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end.

Year A, I.C.E.L. Opening Prayers

Lord our God, in every age you call a people to hear your word and to do your will. Renew us in these Lenten days: washed clean of sin, sealed with the Spirit, and sustained by your living bread, may we remain true to our calling and, with the elect, serve you alone. Grant this through Christ, our liberator from sin, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, holy and mighty God for ever and ever.

Year A, Prayers for an Inclusive Church

Spirit of the desert, you drove Jesus to the edge of the world to find his truth and calling: scour our hearts and awaken our hunger that freed from empty clinging we might find ourselves in you; through Jesus Christ, the Lord of the wilds. Amen.

The Second Sunday of Lent – Nicodemus at night

God of the living, through baptism we pass from the shadow of death to the light of the resurrection. Remain with us and give us hope, that, rejoicing in the gift of the Spirit who gives life to our mortal flesh, we may be clothed with the garment of immortality, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

God of amazing compassion, lover of our wayward race, you bring to birth a pilgrim people, and call us to be a blessing for ourselves and all the world. We pray for grace to take your generous gift and step with courage on this holy path, confident in the radiant life that is your plan for us, made known and given in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
O God, you see that we lack the strength to help ourselves: protect us both inwardly and outwardly; that our bodies may be guarded from adversity, and our minds may be defended from such thoughts as assault and harm the soul; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. Amen

Year A, Anglican Church of Australia

God of mercy, you are full of tenderness and compassion, slow to anger, rich in mercy, and always ready to forgive: grant us grace to renounce all evil and to cling to Christ, that in every way we may prove to be your loving children; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

The Third Sunday of Lent – the Samaritan woman at the well

Artist of souls, you sculpted a people for yourself out of the rocks of wilderness and fasting. Help us as we take up your invitation to prayer and simplicity, that the discipline of these forty days may sharpen our hunger for the feast of your holy friendship, and whet our thirst for the living water you offer through Jesus Christ. Amen.

Enduring Presence, goal and guide, you go before and await our coming. Only our thirst compels us beyond complaint to conversation, beyond rejection to relationship. Pour your love into our hearts, that, refreshed and renewed, we may invite others to the living water given to us in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Merciful Father, we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves: when we are discouraged by our weakness, give us strength to follow Christ, our pattern and our hope; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. Amen

Year A, I.C.E.L. Opening Prayers

O God, living and true, look upon your people, whose dry and stony hearts are parched with thirst. Unseal the living water of your Spirit; let it become within us an ever-flowing spring, leaping up to eternal life. Thus may we worship you in spirit and in truth through Christ, our deliverance and hope, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, holy and mighty God for ever and ever. Amen
O God, the fountain of life, to a humanity parched with thirst you offer the living water that springs from the Rock, our Saviour Jesus Christ: stir up within your people the gift of your Spirit, that we may profess our faith with freshness and announce with joy the wonder of your love. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Lord of the wellspring, source of life and truth: Jesus asked for water from the hands of a woman in the land of the stranger; may he teach us to name our need, to love our neighbour and to worship you in spirit and in truth, through Jesus Christ, who shows us who we are. Amen.

The Fourth Sunday of Lent – the cure of a man born blind

Discerner of hearts, you look beneath our outward appearance and see your image in each of us. Banish in us the blindness that prevents us from recognizing truth, so we may see the world through your eyes and with the compassion of Jesus Christ who redeems us. Amen.

Almighty God, grant that we, who are weighed down by our sins, may be relieved and encouraged by your grace; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end.

God our Creator, show forth your mighty works in the midst of your people. Enlighten your Church, that we may know your Son as the true light of the world and through our worship confess him as Christ and Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, holy and mighty God for ever and ever.

Gracious God, in order that we children of earth might discern good from evil, you sent your Son to be the light of the world: as the light of Christ shines upon us, may we learn what pleases you, and live in truth and goodness; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen
Creator and Healer, root of all goodness, working your Sabbath will in the chaos of our life: teach us the insight that gives true judgement and praises you wherever you are found, making miracles from spit and mud; through Jesus Christ, the Son of earth. Amen.

The Fifth Sunday of Lent – the raising of Lazarus

Merciful God, look upon your family as we travel to the foot of the cross: and, by your great goodness, guide us in body; that, by your protection, we may also be preserved in heart and mind; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end.

Merciful God, you showed your glory to our fallen race by sending your Son to confound the powers of death. Call us forth from sin’s dark tomb. Break the bonds which hold us, that we may believe and proclaim Christ, the cause of our freedom and the source of life, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, holy and mighty God for ever and ever.

Life-giving God, your Son came into the world to free us all from sin and death: breathe upon us with the power of your Spirit, that we may be raised to new life in Christ, and serve you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Palm Sunday

At the blessing of palms

Merciful God, as we enter this holy week and gather at your house of prayer, turn our hearts again to Jerusalem, to the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, that, united with Christ and all the faithful, we may one day enter in triumph the city not made with hands, the new Jerusalem, eternal in the heavens, where with you and the Holy Spirit, Christ lives in glory for ever. Amen
Palm Sunday - Collect of the Day

Almighty God,
who, in your tender love for the human race, sent your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ,
to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross,
giving us the example of his great humility:
mercifully grant that we may both follow the example of his passion,
and also be made partakers of his resurrection; who lives and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. Amen

O God of eternal glory,
you anointed Jesus your servant to bear our sins,
to encourage the weary, to raise up and restore the fallen.
Keep before our eyes the splendor of the paschal mystery of Christ, and,
by our sharing in the passion and resurrection,
seal our lives with the victorious sign of his obedience and exaltation.
We ask this through Christ, our liberator from sin, who lives with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, holy and mighty God, for ever and ever. Amen

Everlasting God, in your tender love for the human race you sent your Son to take our
nature, and to suffer death upon the cross: in your mercy enable us to share in his obedience
to your will and in the glorious victory of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
Amen

Lord, your love is broken open among cheering crowds and traitor’s coins, deserting friends
and hands washed clean, the mockery of power and the baying mob: as we follow your way
of passion, give us the faith to bring our weak and divided hearts to the foot of the cross and
the door of the guarded tomb that they might be opened, astonished and healed; through
Jesus Christ, who carries the weight of the world. Amen.
#1: Eucharist Prayer I

Celebrant

You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life. Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing (say):

All

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people. Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: “Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you.”
Do this for the remembrance of me.”
As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

_Christ has died._
_Christ is risen._
_Christ will come again._

Celebrant

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine.
By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ.
Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ’s Body in the world.

Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with [ ___________ and] all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever.

_All: AMEN._
#2. Eucharistic Prayer III

_Celebrant_ Worship and praise belong to you, maker of light and darkness. Your wisdom draws beauty from chaos, brings a harvest out of sorrow, and leads the exiles home.

In Christ your Son enemies are reconciled, debts forgiven and strangers made welcome.

Your Spirit frees us to live as sons and daughters in our Father's house.

We who by Christ's power follow the way of the Cross, sharing the joy of his obedience, now offer you our praise, with angels and archangels and the whole company of heaven singing the hymn of your unending glory:

_All_ Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

_Celebrant_ Glory and thanksgiving be to you, most loving Father, for Christ in whom the world is reconciled. Lifted on the Cross, his suffering and forgiveness spanned the gulf our sins had made. Through that dark struggle, death was swallowed up in victory, that life and light might reign.

Before he was given up to suffering and death, recalling the night of Israel's release, the night in which the sons of Egypt died, your Chosen One, himself the First-Born, freely offered his life. At supper with his disciples, he took bread and offered you thanks. He broke the bread, and gave it to them, saying: "Take, eat. This is my Body: it is broken for you."
After supper, he took the cup, he offered you thanks, and gave it to them saying: "Drink this, all of you. This is my Blood of the new covenant; it is poured out for you, and for all, that sins may he forgiven. Do this in remembrance of me."

We now obey your Son's command. We recall his blessed passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension; and we look for the coming of his Kingdom. Made one with him, we offer you these gifts and with them ourselves, a single, holy, living sacrifice.

Hear us, most merciful Father, and send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this bread and this wine, that, overshadowed by his life-giving power, they may be the Body and Blood of your Son, and we may be kindled with the fire of your love and renewed for the service of your Kingdom.

Help us, who are baptised into the fellowship of Christ's Body to live and work to your praise and glory; may we grow together in unity and love until at last, in your new creation, we enter into our heritage in the company of the Virgin Mary, the apostles, and prophets, and of all our brothers and sisters living and departed.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be to you, Lord of all ages, world without end.

Amen.
You are worthy of our thanks and praise, Lord God of truth, 
for by the breath of your mouth you have spoken your word, 
and all things have come into being. 
You fashioned us in your image 
and placed us in the garden of your delight. 
Though we chose the path of rebellion 
you would not abandon your own. 
Again and again you drew us into your covenant of grace. 
You gave your people the law and taught us by your prophets 
to look for your reign of justice, mercy and peace. 
As we watch for the signs of your kingdom on earth, 
we echo the song of the angels in heaven, 
evermore praising you and saying:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, 
heaven and earth are full of your glory. 
Hosanna in the highest. 
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. 
Hosanna in the highest.

Lord God, you are the most holy one, enthroned in splendour and light, 
yet in the coming of your Son Jesus Christ, you reveal the power of your love 
made perfect in our human weakness.

Embracing our humanity, Jesus showed us the way of salvation; 
loving us to the end, he gave himself to death for us; 
dying for his own, he set us free from the bonds of sin, 
that we might rise and reign with him in glory.

On the night he gave up himself for us all 
he took bread and gave you thanks; 
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: 
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; 
do this in remembrance of me.
Celebrant  In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying: 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. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

All (Optional)  Amen. Lord, we believe.

Celebrant  Therefore we proclaim the death that he suffered on the cross, we celebrate his resurrection, his bursting from the tomb, we rejoice that he reigns at your right hand on high and we long for his coming in glory.

All (Optional)  Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Celebrant  As we recall the one, perfect sacrifice of our redemption, Father, by your Holy Spirit let these gifts of your creation be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ; form us into the likeness of Christ and make us a perfect offering in your sight.

All (Optional)  Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

Celebrant  Look with favour on your people and in your mercy hear the cry of our hearts. Bless the earth, heal the sick, let the oppressed go free and fill your Church with power from on high.

All (Optional)  Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

Celebrant  Gather your people from the ends of the earth to feast with [N and] all your saints at the table in your kingdom, where the new creation is brought to perfection in Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever.

All  Amen.
Celebrant

Eternal God, Source of all being,
we give you thanks and praise for your faithful love.
You call us into friendship with you and one another
to be your holy people, a sign of your presence in the world.
When those we trust betray us, unfailingly you remain with us.
When we injure others, you confront us in your love
and call us to the paths of righteousness.
You stand with the weak, and those, broken and alone,
whom you have always welcomed home,
making the first last, and the last first.
Therefore, we raise our voices with angels and archangels,
forever praising you and saying (singing):

All

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant

Blessed are you, O Holy One: when Hagar was driven into the wilderness
you followed her and gave her hope.
When Joseph was sold into bondage,
you turned malice to your people’s good.
When you called Israel out of slavery,
you brought them through the wilderness into the promised land.
When your people were taken into exile
you wept with them by the river of Babylon and carried them home.

All (Optional)

Restore us, O God, let your face shine!

Celebrant

At the right time you sent your Anointed One
to stand with the poor, the outcast, and the oppressed.
Jesus touched lepers, and the sick, and healed them.
He accepted water from a woman of Samaria
and offered her the water of new life.
Christ knew the desolation of the cross and opened the way for all humanity
into the redemption of your reconciling love.
On the night he was betrayed, Jesus, at supper with his friends, took bread, gave you thanks, broke the bread, gave it to them, and said, “Take and 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.”

Loving and Holy One, recalling Christ’s death and resurrection, we offer you these gifts, longing for the bread of tomorrow and the wine of the age to come. Therefore we proclaim our hope.

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Dying you destroyed our death, rising you restored our life.
Lord Jesus, come in glory.

Celebrant

Pour out your Spirit on these gifts that through them you may sustain us in our hunger for your peace. We hold before you all whose lives are marked by suffering, our sisters and brothers. When we are broken and cast aside, embrace us in your love.

All (Optional)

Restore us, O God, let your face shine!

Celebrant

Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, O Source of all life, now and for ever.

All

Amen.
Eucharistic Prayer C

Celebrant

Truly it is right and good to glorify you at all times and in all places, by offering you our thanksgiving O Lord, holy Father/Parent. You spoke and the light shattered darkness, order arose from confusion. You breathed into the dust of the earth and we were formed in your image. Through your Son, our Lord Jesus you came to us while we wandered. He met us as a refugee, a threatened child. He called us by name to leave what is comfortable to be his disciples, friends and partners. With his outstretched arms on the cross, and through his death he bore our sins, and through his resurrection we are saved. And through your Holy Spirit you brood over the chaos we create, mothering us and shaping a new creation. You enlighten everyone coming into the world. You inspired the prophets and the apostles to find the right word at the right time. You liberate, equip and commission your people for the continuance of your mission to make everything new. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we proclaim and sing your glory:

All

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night, in which he was betrayed, took the bread and when he had given thanks to you, broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat: this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me. The same way after supper, he took the cup and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them saying: 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. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me:
All: Lord we commemorate your death on the cross, 
we celebrate your resurrection 
and we await your coming.

Celebrant Eternal God, let your Holy Spirit move in power over us 
and over these earthly gifts of bread and wine, 
that they may be the communion of the body and blood of Christ, 
and that we may become one in him. 
May his coming in glory find us ever watchful in prayer, 
strong in truth and love, and faithful in the breaking of the bread. 
Then, at last, all peoples will be free, all divisions healed, 
and with your whole creation, we will sing your praise, 
through your Son, Jesus Christ. 
Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, 
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, 
all glory and honour are yours, almighty God, 
for ever and ever.

All Amen.
Prayers after Communion

Holy and Immortal God; in these forty days of Lent
you lead us into the desert of repentance
that, in a pilgrimage of prayer, we might learn to be your people once more.
In fasting and service you bring us back to your heart.
Through this holy sacrament, open our eyes to your presence in the world
and free our hands to lead others
to the radiant splendor of your mercy.
Be with us in all the days of our journey
until, redeemed and restored to the fullness of life,
we take our place at your heavenly banquet. Amen.

Compassionate and loving God,
through your Son Jesus Christ you have fed us,
and reconciled your people to yourself.
May we who have shared in this holy meal
know your forgiveness in our lives,
bring your reconciliation to others,
and be a sign of your wholeness in this broken world.
Following Christ's example of fasting and prayer,
may we obey you with willing hearts
and serve one another in holy love. Amen

Eternal God,
comfort of the afflicted and healer of the broken,
you have fed us at the table of life and hope:
teach us the ways of gentleness and peace,
that all the world may acknowledge
the kingdom of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord
Blessings

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Christ our savior draw you to himself, that you may find in him crucified a sure ground for faith, a firm support for hope, and the assurance of sin forgiven, and the blessing …

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Christ give you grace to grow in holiness, to deny yourselves, take up your cross, and follow him; and the blessing ….

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May God the Father, who does not despise the broken spirit, give to you a contrite heart.
Amen.

May Christ, who bore our sins in his body on the tree, heal you by his wounds.
Amen.

May the Holy Spirit, who leads us into all truth, speak to you words of pardon and peace.
Amen.

Church of England, New Patterns for Worship (amended)

May the Father, who so loved the world that he gave his only Son, bring you by faith to his eternal life.
Amen.

May Christ, who accepted the cup of sacrifice in obedience to the Father's will, keep you steadfast as you walk with him the way of his cross.
Amen.

May the Spirit, who strengthens us to suffer with Christ that we may share his glory, set your minds on life and peace.
Amen.

Church of England, New Patterns for Worship

May Christ send you out to glory in his cross, and live no longer for yourselves but for him, who died and was raised to life for us. And the blessing …

May God free you from every bond of sin, dwell within you and give you joy, and the blessing ….
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