We give you thanks
for all who have departed this life in faith.
Keep us with them in communion
with Christ our risen Lord,
and bring us at the last with all your saints
to eat and drink
in the glory of your eternal kingdom;
through Jesus Christ,
to whom with you, Father, and the Holy Spirit,
be praise and honour for ever.

Amen.

17 INVITATION

The minister says:

This is the Lord's table.

The Lord Jesus invites us
to share this joyful feast.

From east and west, from north and south,
people will come and take their places
at the banquet in the kingdom of God.

St Luke 13: 29

either

Jesus said,
'Come to me, all who are weary
and whose load is heavy;
I will give you rest.
Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me,
for I am gentle and humble-hearted;
and you will find rest for your souls.'

St Matthew 11: 28 – 29

or

Jesus said,
'I am the bread of life.
Whoever comes to me will never be hungry,
and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.'

St John 6: 35

or

Jesus said,
'Blessed are those who hunger and thirst
to see right prevail;
they shall be satisfied.'

St Matthew 5: 6

18 OFFERING

19 THE GREAT ENTRANCE

During the singing of a psalm or hymn, the offerings of money, along with the gifts of bread and wine, are brought to the Communion Table.

20 THE GRACE

The minister says:

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

Amen.

21 UNVEILING OF THE ELEMENTS

The minister unveils the elements, and while doing so may say:

Let us pray.

O God,
by the blood of your dear Son,
you have consecrated for us a new and living way
into the holiest of all.
Assure us of your mercy,
and sanctify us by your heavenly grace;
that we, approaching you with pure heart
and cleansed conscience,
may offer you a sacrifice in righteousness;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

Out of the fullness of your gifts, O God,
we make our offerings to you,
and present this bread and this wine at your table;
for all things come from you,
and of your own do we give you.
Blessed be your holy name for ever;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

22 NARRATIVE OF THE INSTITUTION
(*see Note, p 143*)

The minister says:

Hear the words of the institution
of the Lord's Supper,
according to St Paul:

The tradition which I handed on to you
came to me from the Lord himself:
that on the night of his arrest
the Lord Jesus took bread,
and after giving thanks to God
broke it and said:
'This is my body, which is for you;
do this in memory of me.'

In the same way, he took the cup after supper,
and said:
'This cup is the new covenant
sealed by my blood.
Whenever you drink it, do this in memory of me.'
For every time you eat this bread
and drink the cup,
you proclaim the death of the Lord,
until he comes. *1 Corinthians 11: 23 - 26*

23 TAKING OF THE BREAD AND WINE

The minister says:

As the Lord Jesus,
the same night in which he was betrayed,
took bread,
I take these elements of bread and wine,
to be set apart from all common uses
to this holy use and mystery;
and as he gave thanks and blessed,
let us draw near to God
and offer him our prayers and thanksgiving.

24 THANKSGIVING

The minister says:

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

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

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Use either a., b., or c.

a. It is indeed right, it is our duty and our joy,
at all times and in all places,
to give you thanks and praise,
holy Father, heavenly King,
almighty and eternal God.

We give thanks
that in the creation of the world,
when you laid the earth's foundation
and set its corner-stone in place,
the morning stars sang in chorus
and the angels of God all shouted for joy.
By the power of your Spirit,
you made the universe;
by the might of your Word,
you gave us life.

We give thanks
that in the new creation,
when you gave your Son to raise us up again,
since we and all our human race had fallen,
you claimed us for your own people;
that we might proclaim the glorious deeds
of him who has called us out of darkness
into his marvellous light.
By the life of your Spirit,
you fill the hearts of the faithful;
by the light of your Word,
you give us strength and love.

Here may be added the Proper Preface (pp 185 to 189)

Therefore, with your people
of all places and times,

and with the whole company of heaven,
we proclaim your greatness
and sing your praise in the angels' song:

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.

In tune with all the heavenly hosts,
we here on earth acknowledge your glory,
and give you thanks that in the fullness of time
you sent your Son to be our Saviour.

We bless you
for his incarnation among us,
his holy birth,
his perfect life on earth,
his suffering for us, and his triumph over death;
for his ascension to your right hand
and his gift of the Holy Spirit;
and for the promise of his coming again.

Remembering his work and passion,
and pleading his eternal sacrifice,
we follow his example and obey his command.

Send down your Holy Spirit
to bless us
and these your gifts of bread and wine,
that the bread which we break
may be for us the communion

of the body of Christ,
and the cup of blessing which we bless
the communion of the blood of Christ;
that we, receiving them,
by faith may be made partakers
of his body and blood,
with all his benefits,
to nourish us
and help us grow in grace,
to the glory of your most holy name.

And here we offer and present to you
our very selves,
to be a living sacrifice,
dedicated and fit for your acceptance;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

[Brief remembrance may be made here of matters and people that lie close to the worshippers' hearts, each petition beginning, 'Remember, O Lord, ...' (see p 63).]

Through him, with him, in him,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours,
almighty Father, now and for ever.
Amen.

Continue with the Lord's Prayer at no. 25.

b. Father of mercy and God of all comfort,
we acknowledge you to be the Lord,
and at all times we honour
your greatness and glory.
First, because you created us
in your own image and likeness;

Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ,
all honour and glory are yours for ever.
Amen.

25 LORD'S PRAYER

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 forever. ***Amen.***

26 BREAKING OF BREAD

The minister may hold up the bread and wine, and say:

Holy things of God for the holy people of God.
Only Jesus Christ is holy;
we are made holy in him.

The minister [returns the elements to the table, and] says:

According to the holy institution, example,
and command of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and as a memorial of him,
we do this:

who, on the night when he was betrayed,
took bread
(the minister takes the bread),
and when he had given thanks he broke it
(the minister breaks the bread),
and said, 'This is my body
which is (broken) for you;
do this in remembrance of me.'
In the same way he took the cup
(the minister [pours wine into the cup and] raises the cup)
saying, 'This cup is the new covenant
sealed by my blood.
Whenever you drink it, do it in memory of me.'

27 *The minister says:*

Jesus, Lamb of God,
have mercy on us.
Jesus, bearer of our sins,
have mercy on us.
Jesus, redeemer of the world,
grant us peace.

Silence may be kept for a time.

28 COMMUNION

The minister partakes of the bread and wine.

The minister says:

Draw near with faith:
receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ
which was given for you,
and his blood which was shed for you,

and feed on him in your hearts by faith,
with thanksgiving.

Taste and see that the Lord is good.
Happy are those who find refuge in him!

In giving the bread, the minister says:

Take, eat. This is the body of Christ
which is (broken) for you.
Do this, remembering him.

In giving the cup, the minister says:

This cup is the new covenant
sealed by Christ's blood
which was shed that the sins of many
might be forgiven.
Drink from it, all of you.

The elements may be taken to the people in their seats, or the people may gather round the Holy Table.

When all have received, the vessels are returned to the Holy Table and covered.

29 THE PEACE

The minister says:

The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
Amen.

The minister may say:

On the evening of the first Easter Day,
'when the disciples were together
behind locked doors for fear,
Jesus came and stood among them.
"Peace be with you!" he said;
then he showed them his hands and his side.
On seeing the Lord,
the disciples were overjoyed.
Jesus said again, "Peace be with you!"'

In the joyful presence of our risen Lord,
let us give one another a sign of peace.

The people may greet one another with a hand-shake or an embrace, and say:

The peace of Christ.

30 PRAYERS

The minister says:

Let us pray.

Gracious God,
we thank you for the love
which brings us, as food from heaven,
the life of your dear Son,
and assures us that we belong
to the company of all his faithful people
in heaven and on earth.

Grant that, strengthened by this fellowship
and by the power of his Holy Spirit,
we may continue his work in the world,
until we come

to the glory of your eternal kingdom;
through the same Jesus Christ,
your Son, our Lord.

Amen.

Glory to God the Father,
who brought back from the dead
our Lord Jesus Christ
and crowned him with glory and honour.

Glory to God the Son,
who lives to plead our cause
at the right hand of God,
and who will come again
to make all things new.

Glory to God the Holy Spirit,
who brings us the taste
of the good Word of God
and the power of the age to come.

Amen! Praise and glory and wisdom,
thanksgiving and honour,
power and might be to our Lord for ever!

Amen.

31 HYMN

32 DISMISSAL AND BLESSING

The minister says:

Your eyes have seen God's love;
open them to look for the glorious hope.
Your ears have heard his songs;
close them to clamour and dispute.

Your tongues have uttered his praise;
guard them to speak the truth in love.
Your hands have been raised in worship;
stretch them out
to bring forth fruit for God's glory.
Your feet have walked in his courts;
direct them into light.
Your souls and bodies have been fed
by the Word of life;
serve the Lord with joy and gladness. ***Amen.***

The minister blesses the people from God.

The blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be with you. ***Amen.***

33 *The bread and wine are taken from the Church, the people standing.*

Note. The narrative of the Institution (no. 22) may be incorporated within the Thanksgiving (no. 24, p 131) in the same way as in the Third Order (p 161).