A Form for Ordering the Eucharist

This rite requires careful preparation by the presiding priest and participants.

The people and presiding priest

Gather in the Lord’s Name

Proclaim and respond to the Word of God

The proclamation and response may include readings, music, dance and other art forms, comment, discussion and silence.

A reading from the Gospel is always included.

Pray for the world and the church

Exchange the Peace

Prepare the table and set bread and wine on it

Make Eucharist

The presiding priest gives thanks in the name of the assembly.

The presiding priest uses one of The Great Thanksgivings provided (pages 420, 436, 467, 485), or the following
The Great Thanksgiving

The following **Great Thanksgiving** may be used either as a framework within which insertions may be made or as a continuous whole.

*The presiding priest says or sings*

The Lord is here.  
**God’s Spirit is with us.**  
Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them to the Lord.**  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
It is right to offer thanks and praise.

*The presiding priest gives thanks to God for the work of creation and God’s self revelation.*

*The particular occasion being celebrated may also be recalled.*

*The following or any other suitable words are used.*

It is indeed right, always and everywhere,  
to give thanks to you, the true and living God,  
through Jesus Christ.  
You are the source of life for all creation  
and you made us in your own image.

*The presiding priest now gives thanks for the salvation of the world through Christ.*

*The following or any other suitable words are used.*

In your love for us  
you sent your Son to be our Saviour.  
In the fulness of time he became incarnate,  
and suffered death on the cross.  
You raised him in triumph,  
and exalted him in glory.  
Through him you send your Holy Spirit  
upon your church  
and make us your people.  

*If the Sanctus is to be included, it is introduced with these or similar words.*

And so, we proclaim your glory, as we say
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might:
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.

Then follows

To you indeed be glory, almighty God,
because on the night before he died,
your Son, Jesus Christ, took bread;
when he had given you thanks,
he broke it, gave it to his disciples, and said:
Take, eat, this is my body
which is given for you;
do this to remember me.

After supper he took the cup;
when he had given you thanks,
he gave it to them and said:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood
poured out for you;
do this as often as you drink it
to remember me.

The people may say this or some other acclamation.

Christ has died,
Christ is risen,
Christ will come in glory.

Then follows

Therefore, loving God,
recalling now Christ's death and resurrection,
we ask you to accept
this our sacrifice of praise.
Send your Holy Spirit upon us
and our celebration,
that we may be fed with the body and blood of your Son
and be filled with your life and goodness.
Strengthen us to do your work, and to be your body in the world. Unite us in Christ and give us your peace.

*The presiding priest may add further prayer that all may receive the benefits of Christ’s work and renewal in the Spirit.*

The prayer ends with these or similar words.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be all honour and glory, now and for ever.

Amen.

*The people and presiding priest*

Break the bread

Share the gifts of God

*The bread and wine of the Eucharist are shared reverently.*

*When all have received, any of the sacrament remaining is then consumed.*

Give thanks

Depart in the name of the Lord