

The service continues with the Lord's Prayer.

Prayer Two

The Lord be with you

All **and also with you.**

(or)

The Lord is here

All **His Spirit is with us.**

Lift up your hearts.

All **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

[Question Why is it right to give thanks and praise?

Answer Listen, and we will hear.]

Lord of all life,

you created the universe,

where all living things reflect your glory.

You give us this great and beautiful earth,

to discover and to cherish.

One of the following or another Short Proper Preface may be used

You give us sun and moon and star-lit sky,

everything that gives us light,

light for our eyes, our hearts, our minds.

(or)

You give us the fish in the sea,

the birds of the air,

and every plant and tree;

the life that sleeps in the winter earth,

and awakens again in the spring.

(or)

You give us friends and families

busy streets for young and old,

the life of an earthly city

fulfilled in your city to come.

(or)

You give us your love,

even when things go wrong.

Jesus knew hurt and pain.

Through him you wipe away our tears,

and fill us with your peace.

(or)

You give us happy times

and things to celebrate.

In these we taste your kingdom,

a feast for all your children.

You made us all,

each wonderfully different,

to join with the angels

and sing your praise:

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.]

We thank you, loving Father,

because, when we turned away,

you sent Jesus, your Son.

He gave his life for us on the cross

and shows us the way to live.

Send your Holy Spirit

that these gifts of bread and wine

may be for us Christ's body and his blood.

[Question Why do we share this bread and wine?

Answer Listen, and we will hear.]

On the night before he died,

when darkness had fallen,

Jesus took bread.

He gave thanks, broke it,

and shared it with his disciples, saying:

‘This is my body, given for you.

Do this to remember me.’

After they had eaten, he took the cup of wine,

gave thanks, and shared it with his disciples, saying:

‘This is my blood, poured out for you and for many,

for the forgiveness of sins.’

So Father, with this bread and this cup

we celebrate his love, his death, his risen life.

As you feed us with these gifts,

send your Holy Spirit,

and change us more and more

to be like Jesus our Saviour.

[Question How do we follow Jesus Christ?

Answer Listen, and we will hear.]

Help us, Father, to love one another,

as we look forward to that day

when suffering is ended,

and all creation is gathered in your loving arms.

And now with [N and] all your saints

we give you glory,

through Jesus Christ,

in the strength of the Spirit,

today and for ever.

All **Amen.**

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