

Officiant Script for Morning Prayer for Epiphany

Use in conjunction with the bulletin and hymnals

Prelude

Warden: Welcome & Announcements

Opening Meditation (MUSICIANS)

Officiant: (*OMIT INDOORS*) Please stand and sing our opening hymn found on page ____ of the ____ hymnal (see bulletin for page and book)

Opening Hymn (WHEN PERMITTED)

Officiant: Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your rising. Isaiah 60:3

Officiant: Please turn to page 79 in the BCP for our confession of sin.

Officiant: Dearly beloved, we have come together in the presence of Almighty God our heavenly Father, to set forth his praise, to hear his holy Word, and to ask, for ourselves and on behalf of others, those things that are necessary for our life and our salvation. And so that we may prepare ourselves in heart and mind to worship him, let us kneel in silence, and with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

The Confession of Sin p. 79

All: Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Officiant: (*LAY PEOPLE USE "US/OUR," NOT "YOU/YOUR"*) Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. *Amen.*

Officiant: Continuing on p. 80 in the Book of Common Prayer. Lord, open our lips

All: And our mouth shall proclaim your praise. Glorify to the father and to the son and to the Holy Spirit as it was in the beginning is now and will be forever. Amen. Alleluia.

Officiant: Please remain standing as we say (OR sing) together the Venite, a Song of Praise, found in the prayer book on page 82 (OR in the 1982 Hymnal on S-35).

Officiant: The earth is the Lord's for he made it:

All: Come let us adore him.

Officiant: Please be seated for the psalm and the lessons.

The Psalm Appointed, sung by Cantor or spoken by all

At the end of the Psalm is sung or said the Gloria Patri:

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
As it was in the beginning, is now and will be forever. Amen.

First Lesson

Reader: A reading from _____.

Reader: Here ends the lesson. (OR) The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Officiant:

(OUTDOORS) Please stand and sing the Magnificat as found in your bulletin.

(INDOORS) Please stand and read the Magnificat found on page 119 of the prayer book.

Magnificat/Song of Mary **(setting: Brown)**

My soul does magnify the Lord; My spirit sings of God, my Savior, for he has looked with love and favor on his lowly servant. From this day all will call me blessed. From now through all the coming ages the Lord has done great things for me and holy is his name. His mercy touches those who love and those who serve one another. and with great strength he has scattered all the proud in their conceit. He has cast the mighty from their thrones, and he has lifted up the lowly. He fills the hungry with good things while others turn away. He comes to all who seek his love, for he remembers the promise that he had made to Abraham and to the children of God. All glory be to God on high, and to his Son, God the Savior, and to the Spirit of life and truth that burns within our hearts. Just as it was, it is today, and it shall last through all tomorrows. and so my soul magnifies the Lord; praise God forever. A-men.

Officiant: Please be seated for the second reading.

Second Lesson

Reader: A reading from _____.

Reader: Here ends the lesson. (OR) The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Officiant: Please stand for the Apostles' Creed found

(OUTDOORS - SUNG CREED) in your bulletins.

(INDOORS- SPOKEN CREED) on page 96 in the Book of Common Prayer and remain standing for the prayers.

Apostles' Creed BCP p. 96

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth;

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

 He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
 and born of the Virgin Mary.

 He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
 was crucified, died, and was buried.

 He descended to the dead.

 On the third day he rose again.

 He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

Officiant: The Lord be with you.

All: and also with you.

Officiant: Let us pray

Lord's Prayer LEVAS #264

Our Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name,
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done On earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily
bread. And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, But
deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Officiant: Please remain standing for the Suffrages found on page 97 of the prayer book.

Suffrages A

BCP p. 97

V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;
R. And grant us your salvation.
V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;
R. Let your people sing with joy.
V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
R. For only in you can we live in safety.
V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;
R. And guide us in the way of justice and truth.
V. Let your way be known upon earth;
R. Your saving health among all nations.
V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
R. Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.
V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;
R. And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

The Collects:

Officiant: (A collect for Sunday) O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the
glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship
of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Officiant: Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

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Officiant: Walk in love as Christ loved us and gave himself in offering and sacrifice to God. Please be seated for the offertory.

Offertory Solo

Officiant: Please stand for the Doxology.

Doxology (1982 #380)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise him all creatures here below.
Praise him above ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Officiant: The General Thanksgiving is found on page 101 in the Book of Common Prayer.

General Thanksgiving BCP p. 101

All: Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks
for all your goodness and loving-kindness
to us and to all whom you have made.
We bless you for our creation, preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for your immeasurable love
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.
And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,
not only with our lips, but in our lives,
by giving up ourselves to your service,
and by walking before you
in holiness and righteousness all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

Officiant: (A prayer of St. Chrysostom) Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. Amen.

Officiant: Let us bless the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Officiant: May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Officiant: (*OMIT INDOORS*) Please stand and sing our opening hymn found on page_____of the_____hymnal (see bulletin for page and book)

Closing Hymn