Newcomers and visitors, we welcome you warmly.  
May you find here, by the grace of God, that which feeds your soul.  
May you leave here with a heart prepared to serve.

THE WORD OF GOD

OPENING ACCLAMATION  

all stand

Celebrant  Alleluia.  Christ is risen!  
People  The Lord is risen indeed!  Alleluia.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY  

all say together

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord.  Amen.

GLORIA  

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Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards men.  
We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, 
O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.  
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;  
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.  
Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer.  
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.  
For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father.  Amen.
THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, who hast prepared for those who love thee such good things as pass man's understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards thee, that we, loving thee in all things and above all things, may obtain thy promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

FIRST READING all sit Acts 16:9-15

PSALM 67 read responsively by half verse BCP, p. 675 Deus misereatur

SECOND READING Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5

THE HOLY GOSPEL all stand John 14:23-29

Response after the Deacon introduces the Gospel Glory be to thee, O Lord.
Response at the end of the Gospel reading Praise be to thee, O Christ.

THE HOMILY The Very Rev. Dr. Donald G. Brown

THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

Leader  Risen Christ, in the hope of the resurrection we pray.

Brief silence to collect prayers.

Leader  We pray for the Church: direct its leaders and enliven us for its mission.
People  Christ is risen that we all might be one.

Leader  We pray for the world: lead us and every people into ways of justice and peace.
People  Christ is risen that all may act with integrity and courage.

Leader  We pray for creation: awaken in us a sense of wonder for the earth and all that is in it.
People  Christ is risen that the purposes of all creation might be fulfilled.

Leader  We pray for this community: Give grace to all whose lives are linked with our own.
People  Christ is risen that we might serve and love one another as God loves us.

Leader  We pray for those who have died: grant them eternal rest, and comfort those who mourn.
People  Christ is risen that the sting of death is overcome.

Leader  For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

The Celebrant offers prayers and thanksgivings from the St. Mary’s Prayer List and invites the congregation to add theirs.

Deacon  God of Promise and God of Hope, who has granted us new birth through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, we praise your wonderful name! You have given us new strength to endure all things through faith in Christ our risen King, we praise your wonderful name!  Amen.

The Peace

Celebrant  The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People  And with thy spirit.

The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer II  all stand  BCP, page 340
SANCTUS

After the Sanctus the People stand or kneel as able, as the Celebrant continues...

THE LORD’S PRAYER

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

THE INVITATION

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

SENDING OF THE LAY EUCHARISTIC VISITOR *

Celebrant N., in the name of this parish family, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts to ______. Together we share in the body and blood of Christ.

People Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share one bread and one cup.

THE BLESSING

DISMISSAL

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

* when appropriate