THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT, GUILDFORD

FESTIVAL-LITE LITURGY



This is the ceremonial for Sung Eucharist Festivals that do not fall on Sundays.

The service uses Order One and is celebrated at the High Altar with simplified liturgy. There is no sermon, creed, intercessions, offertory procession or collection.

Staffing: President and Assisting Priest. Up to two servers: MC and Thurifer. Two Virgers.

The President wears a chasuble, the Assisting Priest a cassock alb and stole, and servers apparels.

Seating

The President, Assisting Priest and MC sit in the sedilia, the Thurifer on the chair alongside usually reserved for an acolyte.

By default, only the President stands at the Altar, facing east. The President may hold a service book when facing west.

Other clergy sit on the north side of the sanctuary or in their stalls in the quire.

The congregation sits on either side of the Presbytery in chapel-style, in vacant stalls in the quire or in the nave.

PREPARATIONS

- Credence: one ciborium; one charged chalice with purificator, paten, priest's host, pall, veil, corporal and burse; one flagon of water to charge the chalice and for the ablutions; lavabo kit
- A5 Order of Service on the Altar and the Missal on a cushion at the credence
- Incense in the retrochoir
- Readings on the Eagle lectern at the Presbytery step, including the Gospel

THE SERVICE

No notices are given before the service.

¶ THE GATHERING

The procession enters at the **Introit** from the south ambulatory via the crossing and quire to the sanctuary: Thurifer, Virger, Choir, Assisting Clergy, Virger, MC, Assisting Priest, President.

- The Choir and Assisting Clergy go to their stalls/seats.
- The Thurifer goes round the south standard to the top of the High Altar steps by the credence. The President censes the Altar. Then the Thurifer exits via the south back gate to place the censer in the retrochoir and returns to the chair next to the sedilia.
- The MC and Assisting Priest turn right on entering the sanctuary and go to the sedilia. The MC places the Missal and cushion on the Altar after it has been censed.
- The President goes to the foot of the High Altar steps, reverences and then ascends to cense the High Altar. The Virger exits from the Presbytery.

¶ THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

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The President moves to the sedilia for the **Readings** after the Collect of the Day and the MC signals all to sit.

The Thurifer re-stokes the censer during the second reading.

The Assisting Priest reads the Gospel from Eagle lectern – there is no incense.

¶ THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

The Assisting Priest returns to the sedilia after the Gospel and the President moves to the High Altar to give the **Peace**.

The President returns to the sedilia during the **Offertory Hymn** whilst the MC assists the Assisting Priest in laying up Altar.

- A Virger advises the MC of any change to the number of hosts or amount of wine
- The MC takes the chalice with paten, veil, burse and corporal to the Altar
- Then the ciborium
- Then the flagon of water, which is brought back

The Assisting Priest returns to sedilia and the President moves to the Altar. The President censes the elements and the Altar. The Thurifer censes the President and then the MC ministers lavabo and returns to the sedilia.

The Thurifer censes the Assisting Priest, the Diocesan Bishop (when at the Cathedra), other clergy in the sanctuary collectively, everyone else from the entrance to the sanctuary. The Thurifer returns to the top of the High Altar steps by the credence, exiting after the Doxology.

The Assisting Priest receives **communion** on the footpace at the south end of the Altar. The President and Assisting Priest administer communion to the Assisting Clergy who have been seated in the sanctuary in a line at the north back gate facing south, the servers kneeling at the foot of the High Altar steps by the south standard, and to everyone else at the High Altar rails.

The **ablutions** are served by the MC to the President at the High Altar. (The Assisting Priest is at the sedilia.) Either the President clears the Altar or the MC whilst the President stands on the Deacon's step. It is cleared to the credence.

- The MC takes the ciborium and the flagon of water used for the ablutions
- The MC (or Thurifer) then takes the corporal folded into the burse, veil, chalice and paten
- The MC ministers lavabo to the President
- The MC returns to the sedilia, the Thurifer alongside

The President says the **Prayer after Communion** from the High Altar.

¶ THE DISMISSAL

The President gives the **Blessing** and **Dismissal**.

Virgers enters the Presbytery and quire as the **Voluntary** begins, then the President turns to face east and leads the corporate bow.

A Virger leads the Choir and clergy out via the quire and crossing to the north ambulatory in this order: Virger, Choir, Assisting Clergy, Virger, Thurifer, MC, Assisting Priest, President.

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APPENDIX A: Reduced staffing

- No MC: A Virger assists the Assisting Priest in laying up and the President in clearing the Altar.
- No Thurifer: No incense is used.
- No Assisting Priest:
 - o The President reads the Gospel.
 - o The President lays up the Altar at the Offertory Hymn.

APPENDIX B: Facing west

The President faces west for the following:

Greeting Invitation to Confession Absolution Peace Sursum Corda Invitation to the Lord's Prayer Invitation to Communion Blessing and Dismissal

Otherwise the President faces east when at the Altar.

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