

***Extra Short Prefaces
Book of Common Order***

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General Notes

An extended preface begins after the opening dialogue, and leads directly into the Sanctus. A short preface is a paragraph inserted in into the ordinary preface of the Eucharistic Prayer. Examples may be found in the Book of Common Order, Methodist Worship, Common Worship or The RACHD Booklet Options and Propers.

**Extra Eucharistic Prayers
Methodist & Reformed**

Eucharistic Prayer M1

The Lord be with you
All **and also with you.**
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.**

Here follows an extended preface, or the following.

Father, almighty and everliving God,
it is right to give you thanks and praise
at all times and in all places.

Short Proper Preface, when appropriate

Therefore, with angels and archangels
and with all your people on earth and in heaven,
we proclaim your glorious name,
evermore praising you and saying:

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.**

Holy and blessed God,
you have created all things
and made us in your own image.
When we had fallen into sin
you gave your only Son Jesus Christ
to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption,
making there the one perfect sacrifice
for the sins of the whole world.

On the night that he was betrayed he took bread;
and when he had given you thanks,
he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying,
'Take, eat. This is my body which is given for you.
Do this in remembrance of me.'

In the same way, after supper, he took the cup;
and when he had given you thanks,
he gave it to them, saying,
'Drink this, all of you.
This is my blood of the new covenant
which is shed for you and for many
for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it,
in remembrance of me.'

Great is the mystery of faith.

All **Christ has died:
Christ is risen:
Christ will come again.**

(or)

Praise to you, Lord Jesus:

All **Dying you destroyed our death
rising you restored our life:
Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

In the beginning
your Spirit swept across the face of the waters,
bringing order and beauty out of chaos.
You formed us in your image
and breathed into us the breath of life.
Though we turned away from you,
your love remained steadfast,
and you sent your only Son Jesus Christ
to be the Saviour of the world.

At his Baptism in the Jordan
he was anointed by your Spirit
and revealed as your beloved Son.
In the power of the Spirit
he was sent to preach good news to the poor,
to proclaim release to the captives
and recovery of sight to the blind,
to set at liberty those who are oppressed,
and to announce that the time had come
when you would save your people.

Sharing our human nature,
he died on the cross.
Raised again in glory,
he lives for ever to pray for us.
By the gift of the Spirit,
whom you have sent in his name,
you bring to completion the work of your Son,
leading us into all truth,
making us a people for your praise
and giving us power to proclaim the Gospel
in all the world.

And so, with all the faithful of every time and place,
we join with choirs of angels in the eternal hymn:

Eastertide, and for general use.

Blessing and honour, glory and power,
are rightly yours, all-gracious God.
By your creative word
you brought the world to birth;
in your generous love
you made the human family,
that we might see your glory
and live for ever in your presence.

When we wandered from you in our sin
you sought us with your steadfast love
and did not give us up.

In the fullness of time you sent your Son
to be our Saviour and Deliverer.
Made of flesh and blood, he lived our life
and died our death upon the cross.
Death could not hold him
and now he reigns at your right hand.

Therefore, with angels and archangels
and with all your people on earth and in heaven,
we proclaim your glorious name,
evermore praising you and saying:

Pentecost, times of renewal, and for general use.

It is indeed right,
it is our duty and our joy,
gracious and holy Father,
always and everywhere to give you thanks.

Therefore, Father,
we do as Christ your Son commanded;
we remember his passion and death,
we celebrate his resurrection and ascension,
and we look for the coming of his kingdom.

Accept through him
this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving;
and grant that by the power of your life-giving Spirit,
we who eat and drink these holy gifts
may share in the body and blood of Christ
and be united with all your people
on earth and in heaven;

through the same Jesus Christ our Lord,
by whom, and with whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours,
almighty Father,
for ever and ever.

All **Amen.**

*From Methodist Worship:
Holy Communion in a Home or Hospital.
Acclamations inserted.
Short prayer for Field or Family use.*

Eucharistic Prayer R1

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It is indeed right, it is our duty and our joy,
at all times and in all places,
to give thanks and praise,
Holy Father, heavenly King,
almighty and eternal God,
for the majesty of your glory,
the wonder of your works,
the riches of your grace.

Short Proper Preface, when appropriate

Therefore, with your people of all places and times,
and with the whole company of heaven,
we proclaim your greatness
and sing your praise in the angels' song:

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.**

Lent and Passiontide

Holy and gracious God,
we give you thanks and praise
that in the fullness of time
you gave your only Son
to share our human nature
and to be tempted in every way as we are,
yet without sin;
to set his face resolutely towards Jerusalem
and to be lifted high upon the cross,
that he might draw all creation to himself.

Therefore with saints and angels
and with all creation
we lift up our voices
to proclaim the glory of your name:

Christmas and Epiphany

Father, it is our joy and delight,
our reason for being,
to offer you thanks and praise.

All your actions show wisdom and love.
Through your Word you spoke creation into existence
and made us in your image and likeness.
When we disobeyed you and drew away from you,
you did not leave us in darkness
but sent your Son, the Word made flesh,
to be the light of the world.

Emptying himself of all but love,
he was born of Mary,
shared our human nature and died on the cross.

Yet you have raised him from death to eternal life;
and through him you have sent your holy and life-giving Spirit
to make us your people, a people of light,
to reflect your glory in all the earth.

And so with angels and archangels
and all the heavenly choir
we join in the unending hymn of praise:

Send down your Holy Spirit
on these gifts of bread and wine;
that they may become for us
the body and blood of your most dear Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord;

who, in the same night that he was betrayed,
took bread and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take, eat; this is my body
which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.
In the same way, after supper
he took the cup and gave you thanks;
he gave it to them, saying:
Drink this, all of you;
this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it,
in remembrance of me.

One of these acclamations is used

Great is the mystery of faith:
All **Christ has died:
Christ is risen:
Christ will come again.**
(or)
Praise to you, Lord Jesus:
All **Dying you destroyed our death,
rising you restored our life:
Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

We bless you, Father,
for his holy birth,
his perfect life on earth.
his suffering for us
and his triumph over death;
for his ascension to your right hand
for his gift of the Holy Spirit ;
and for the promise of his coming again.

We offer and present to you
our very selves to be a living sacrifice,
dedicated and fit for your acceptance;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,

Send your Holy Spirit to bless us,
that the bread which we break
may be for us the communion of the body of Christ ,
and the cup of blessing which we bless
the communion of the blood of Christ;

Through him, with him, in him,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours,
Almighty Father,
now and for ever.

All **Amen**

*From the Book of Common Order
Third Order of Holy Communion
Institution Narrative inserted into
Eucharistic prayer as rubrics permit.
Acclamations inserted and other minor edits.
Short prayer for Field or Family use.*

Advent

God of all glory and light of our salvation,
we offer you thanks and praise
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

By your living Word
you called all things into being,
breathed into life the desire of your heart
and shaped us in your own likeness.
Though we rejected your love,
you did not give us up
or cease to fashion our salvation.
You made a covenant to be our God,
spoke to us through the prophets,
and prepared the way for our redemption.

We praise you that in the fullness of time
you sent your only Son Jesus Christ.

The Lord of eternity,
announced by angels and born of Mary,
he became incarnate,
fulfilling the promise of your salvation.

And so we offer our praise
with all your people, on earth and in heaven.
With the full chorus of your creation,
we proclaim the glory of your name:

General 6

Blessing and praise belong to you,
gracious and eternal God.

Through your living Word
you created all things,
the majesty of the heavens
and the glory of the earth.
In your wisdom and goodness
you have made all people
in your image and likeness.

Therefore with saints and angels
and with all creation
we lift up our voices
to proclaim the glory of your name:

From Lent and Passiontide (Adapted)

Eucharistic Prayer M2

The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

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.**

Here follows an extended preface, or the following.

Lord our God,
your love and grace fill everything you have made.
In time and eternity your praise resounds
through earth and heaven.

From age to age you gather a people to serve you,
to proclaim your glory
and to reveal your presence in all the world.

In humility you came among us in Jesus Christ,
who brought the good news of the kingdom,
restoring the sick to health and the dead to life.

Taking the form of a servant,
he suffered and became obedient to death upon the cross.
You raised him from the dead,
breaking the power of death
and exalting him to your right hand on high.
Through him you sent your Spirit of life and power
into the hearts of the faithful,
filling the Church with your presence.

Short Proper Preface, when appropriate

Therefore with angels and archangels
and with all your people on earth and in heaven,
we proclaim your glorious name,
evermore praising you and saying:

All **Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessèd is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Father, we give you praise
as we call to mind
how, at supper with his disciples,
your Son Jesus Christ took bread
and gave you thanks.
He broke it and gave it to them, saying,
'Take this, all of you, and eat it.
This is my body, given for you.
Do this in remembrance of me.'

After supper he took the cup.
He gave you thanks and gave it to them, saying,
'Drink this, all of you.
This is my blood of the new covenant,
shed for you and for all
for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this in remembrance of me.'

General 5

It is indeed right, always and everywhere,
to give thanks to you, the true and living God.
Endless is your mercy and eternal is your reign.
All creation rejoices in your radiant splendour.

You made a covenant with your people
and declared your purpose of justice and love.
When all things were ready,
you sent your Son to be our Saviour.
In words and deeds he proclaimed your kingdom,
and obeyed your will even to death on the cross.

Through his mighty resurrection
he overcame sin and death
to set the whole creation free.

Therefore with saints and angels
and with all the choirs of heaven,
we join in the song of eternal praise:

Ordinary Seasons (3)

General 4

Father, almighty and everliving God,
we give you thanks and praise
for all that you have made,
for the stars in their splendour
and the world in its wonder
and for the glorious gift of human life.

Holy God, you go on loving us
even when we turn away from you.
You sent your Son Jesus
who healed those who were sick,
wept with those who were sad,
and forgave sinners.
To show the world your love
he died for all upon the cross
and you raised him up in glory.

Therefore, with angels and archangels
and with all your people on earth and in heaven,
we proclaim your glorious name,
evermore praising you and saying:

Ordinary Seasons (2), adapted.

Great is the mystery of faith.
All **Christ has died:
Christ is risen:
Christ will come again.**

(or)

All Praise to you, Lord Jesus:
**Dying you destroyed our death
rising you restored our life:
Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

Therefore, recalling Christ's offering of himself
and celebrating this feast of our redemption,
we offer ourselves to you
through Christ our great High Priest.

Send your Holy Spirit
that these gifts of bread and wine
may be for us the body and blood of Christ.

Remember, Lord, your Church throughout the world.
Send your Spirit upon us;
gather us into unity,
strengthen our faith
and sustain our hope.

Bring us, with all who place their hope in you,
to the promised feast in your kingdom,
where for ever we may offer you our praise,
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
through whom, with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours,
now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

From Methodist Worship: Ordination of Deacons, adapted.

Eucharistic Prayer R2

The Lord be with you
All **and also with you**
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.**

Here follows an extended preface, or the following.

It is indeed right, it is our duty and our joy,
at all times and in all places,
to give you thanks and praise,
holy Father, heavenly King, almighty and eternal God.

We give thanks that in the creation of the world,
when you laid the earth's foundation
and set its corner-stone in place,
the morning stars sang in chorus
and the angels of God all shouted for joy.
By the power of your Spirit, you made the universe;
by the might of your Word, You gave us life.

We give thanks that in the new creation,
when you gave your Son to raise us up again,
since we and all our human race had fallen ,
you claimed us for your own people;
that we might proclaim the glorious deeds of him
who has called us out of darkness into his marvellous light.
By the life of your spirit, you will the hearts of the faithful:
by the light of the Word you give us strength and love.

Short Proper Preface, when appropriate.

General 3

We praise you, gracious Father,
our Maker and Sustainer.
You created the heavens and the earth
and formed us in your own image.
Though we sinned against you,
your love for us was constant,
and you sent your Son Jesus Christ
to be the Saviour of the world.

Sharing our human nature,
he was born of Mary
and baptized in the Jordan.
He proclaimed your kingdom, by word and deed,
and was put to death upon the cross.
You raised him from the dead;
you exalted him in glory;
and through him you have sent your Holy Spirit,
calling us to be your people,
a community of faith.

And so, with angels and archangels
and all the choirs of heaven,
we join in the triumphant hymn:

Ordinary Seasons (1)

General 2

Lord our God, gracious and holy,
your power sustains all creation.
In love you create all things
and in mercy you redeem them.
From age to age you gather a people to serve you,
to proclaim your glory
and to reveal your presence in all the world.

In the fullness of time
you sent your Son, Jesus Christ,
the true Shepherd of your people;
in him we see your face and hear your word.
In compassion he restored us and made us whole,
laying down his life upon the cross
and freely offering himself for all.
You did not leave him in death
but raised him by your mighty power
to make all things new.

Through him you sent the Holy Spirit,
to lead your people into all truth;
and to help them grow in holiness.

Therefore, with angels and archangels
and with all your people on earth and in heaven,
we proclaim your glorious name,
evermore praising you and saying:

From the Ordination of Presbyters, adapted.

Therefore, with your people of all places and times,
and with the whole company of heaven,
we proclaim your greatness
and sing your praise in the angels' song:

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.**

In tune with all the heavenly hosts,
we here on earth acknowledge your glory,
and give you thanks that in the fullness of time
you sent your Son to be our Saviour.

Remembering his work and passion,
and pleading his eternal sacrifice,
we follow his example and obey his command.
who, in the same night that he was betrayed,
took bread and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take, eat; this is my body
which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.
In the same way, after supper
he took the cup and gave you thanks;
he gave it to them, saying:
Drink this, all of you;
this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it,
in remembrance of me.

We bless you
for his incarnation among us,
his holy birth,
his perfect life on earth,
his suffering for us,
and his triumph over death;
for his ascension to your right hand
and his gift of the Holy Spirit;
and for the promise of his coming again.

One of these acclamations is used

All Great is the mystery of faith:
Christ has died:
Christ is risen:
Christ will come again.

(or)

All Praise to you, Lord Jesus:
Dying you destroyed our death,
rising you restored our life:
Lord Jesus, come in glory.

Send down your Holy Spirit to bless us
and these your gifts,
that the bread which we break
may be for us the communion of the body of Christ,
and the cup of blessing which we bless
the communion of the blood of Christ;
that we, receiving them, by faith
may be made partakers of his body and blood
to nourish us and help us grow in grace
to the glory of your most holy name.

And here we offer and present to you our very selves,
to be a living sacrifice,
dedicated and fit for your acceptance.

Extra Extended Prefaces Methodist Worship

General 1

Gracious God,
you have loved us from the beginning of time
and remembered us when we were in trouble.

Redeeming God,
you have come to us in Jesus Christ,
to save us from our sins.

Holy God,
you have sent us your Spirit,
to comfort us and lead us into all truth.

As your mercy endures for ever we praise you
with the faithful of every time and place,
joining with choirs of angels in the eternal hymn:

From Healing and Wholeness

Great is the mystery of faith:

All **Christ has died:
Christ is risen:
Christ will come again.**

(or)

Praise to you, Lord Jesus:

All **Dying you destroyed our death,
rising you restored our life:
Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

And so, Lord, we obey his command
with this bread and this cup,
by which we recall his death and resurrection,
the source of our life and salvation.
Grant that we, who share in this holy sacrament,
may be united by your Spirit and grow into perfect love.

Bring us, with those who have done your will in every age,
into the light of your presence and the joy of your kingdom.

Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours,
Almighty Father, now and for ever.

All **Amen**

From Methodist Worship: Covenant Service, adapted.

These or similar brief remembrances may be made.

[Remember, O Lord, our families and friends,
and surround them with your steadfast love.

Remember, O Lord, those who are sick,
those who suffer in pain or loneliness or grief,
those who draw near to death,
And those whom we name in our hearts before you.
Comfort them with your presence,
sustain them your promises,
and grant them your peace.

And now, rejoicing
in the communion of saints,
we remember with thanksgiving
all your faithful servants
and those dear to us who serve you
In the glory of heaven,
keep us in unbroken fellowship
with your whole Church in heaven and on earth,
and bring us at the last to the joy of your eternal kingdom;]

Through him, with him, in him,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours,
Almighty Father,
now and for ever.

All **Amen**

*From the Book of Common Order
First Order of Holy Communion
Institution Narrative inserted into
Eucharistic prayer as rubrics permit.*

Eucharistic Prayer M3

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All **and also with you**

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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.**

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God our Father, fountain of goodness,
creator of all that is,
you have made us in your own image.
You have given us life and reason,
and love for one another,
setting in our hearts a hunger for you.

In darkness you are our light,
in adversity and temptation our strength.
You bear patiently with our folly and sin,
granting us your law to guide us
and your prophets to renew our faith.

In the fullness of time you came to us in love and mercy
in Jesus Christ, your living Word, full of grace and truth.

He lived among us,
declaring your forgiveness
and revealing your wisdom
in works of mercy and in his word of power.
For us he suffered and died upon the cross,
by death destroying death.
You raised him from the dead
and exalted him to your right hand on high.

Through him you sent your Holy Spirit
to be the life and light of your people,
gathered together in every time and place
to glorify your holy name.

With them and all the company of heaven
we join in the unending hymn of 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.**

Holy God, pour out your Spirit
that these gifts of bread and wine
may be for us the body and blood
of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord,
who, on the night in which he was betrayed,
took bread, gave thanks, broke it,
and gave it to his disciples, saying,
'Take this and eat it.
This is my body given for you.
Do this in remembrance of me.'

In the same way, after supper,
he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it to them, saying,
'Drink from it, all of you.
This is my blood of the new covenant,
poured out for you and for many,
for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, whenever you drink it,
in remembrance of me.'