An Order for the Administration of the Reserved Sacrament by a Lay Pastoral Leader

The congregation gathers with the Lay Pastoral Leader (LPL) seated near a lectern, a prei deiu, or front row of the nave.

**A Hymn** may be sung

*The people standing, the Lay Pastoral Leader says*

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*People* And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

*Or in Penitential seasons*

Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins

*People* His mercy endures forever

*Or in Easter Season through the Day of Pentecost*

Alleluia. Christ is Risen

*People* The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

*The Lay Pastoral Leader may say*

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen. *(Book of Common Prayer, p. 355)*

*When appointed, the following hymn or some other song of praise is sung or said, all standing*

Glory to God in the highest,

and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,

we worship you, we give you thanks,

we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,

you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,

you alone are the Lord,

you alone are the Most High,

Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

*(Book of Common Prayer, p. 356)*
The Lay Pastoral Leader turns to face the people and says:

   The Lord be with you.  
People    And also with you.  
Officiant  Let us pray.

The congregation prays the collect of the day.

The Lessons

The people sit. ALL Lessons, as appointed, are read by the Lector.

The First Lesson: A reading from _______.  
Reader    The Word of the Lord  
People    Thanks be to God.

The Psalm  

The Second Lesson: A reading from _______.  
Reader    The Word of the Lord  
People    Thanks be to God.

A Hymn may be sung, all standing  

The Lector says: Please be seated for the reading. All sit.

The Third Lesson: A reading from_______.  
Reader    The Word of the Lord  
People    Thanks be to God.

The Homily
The Nicene Creed

*Lay Pastoral Leader:* Let us stand and affirm our faith using the words of 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

The Lay Pastoral Leader or person appointed leads the congregation in prayer using forms from the Book of Common Prayer pages 383-393.

The Lay Pastoral Leader adds a concluding Collect from BCP pp. 394-395.

The Confession of Sin (may be said)

The Lay Pastoral Leader says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. You may stand, sit or kneel.

Silence may be kept.

Lay Pastoral Leader and People

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.

The Lay Pastoral Leader remains kneeling and says

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.
The Peace

*All stand. The Lay Pastoral Leader says to the people*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Then the Officiant and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

*A Hymn may be sung*

*The people stand as the offering is brought forward.*
*The Lay Pastoral Leader picks up the consecrated elements and takes them to the altar.*

*LPL* Gracious and most merciful God, we remember before you those who celebrated the Holy Eucharist at ( _____ this past Wednesday) with whom we now share Communion through the reception of this sacrament.

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

*LPL* Let us pray,

Almighty Father, whose dear Son, on the night before he suffered, instituted the Sacrament of his Body and Blood: Mercifully grant that we may receive it thankfully in remembrance of Jesus Christ our Lord, who in these holy mysteries gives us a pledge of eternal life; and who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.

*The Lay Pastoral Leader says*
*And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,*

Our Father, who 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 trespasses,
    as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
    for ever and ever. Amen.
Place the wafers on the paten OR leave them in the ciborium. Pour the consecrated wine into the chalice. The Officiant takes the consecrated elements, walks to the chancel steps, and facing the People says the following Invitation. (If you have placed the wafers on the paten, be careful when you turn because wafers tend to move around.) Hold the elements away from the center of your body but do not elevate above mid-chest height.

**LPL:** We welcome you to share in the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ, which has been reserved for you.

Those who wish to receive communion may do so at this time. The congregation receives the previously consecrated Sacrament in both kinds, and then the ministers. Remember to take communion to anyone in the congregation who does not come forward. Pastoral Leaders receive LAST. When finished, take remaining elements to the credence table and cover with a white cloth.

*During the ministration of Communion, hymns, psalms, or anthems may be sung.*

**Communion Hymn**

**Post-Communion Prayer**

*After Communion, the LPL says*

Let us pray.

The congregation prays together

Gracious Father, we give you praise and thanks for this Holy Communion of the Body and Blood of your beloved Son Jesus Christ, the pledge of our redemption; and we pray that it may bring us forgiveness of our sins, strength in our weakness, and everlasting salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Hymn**

**The Dismissal**

**LPL:** Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord

**Congregation:** Thanks be to God.