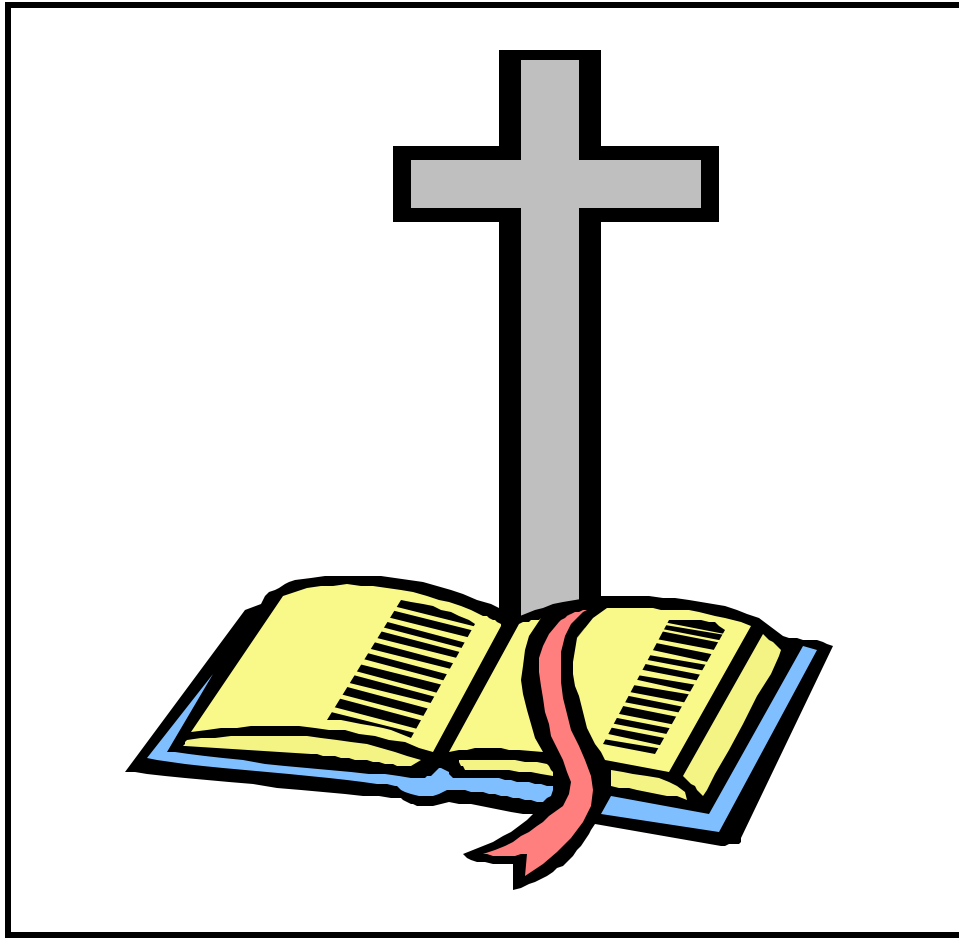


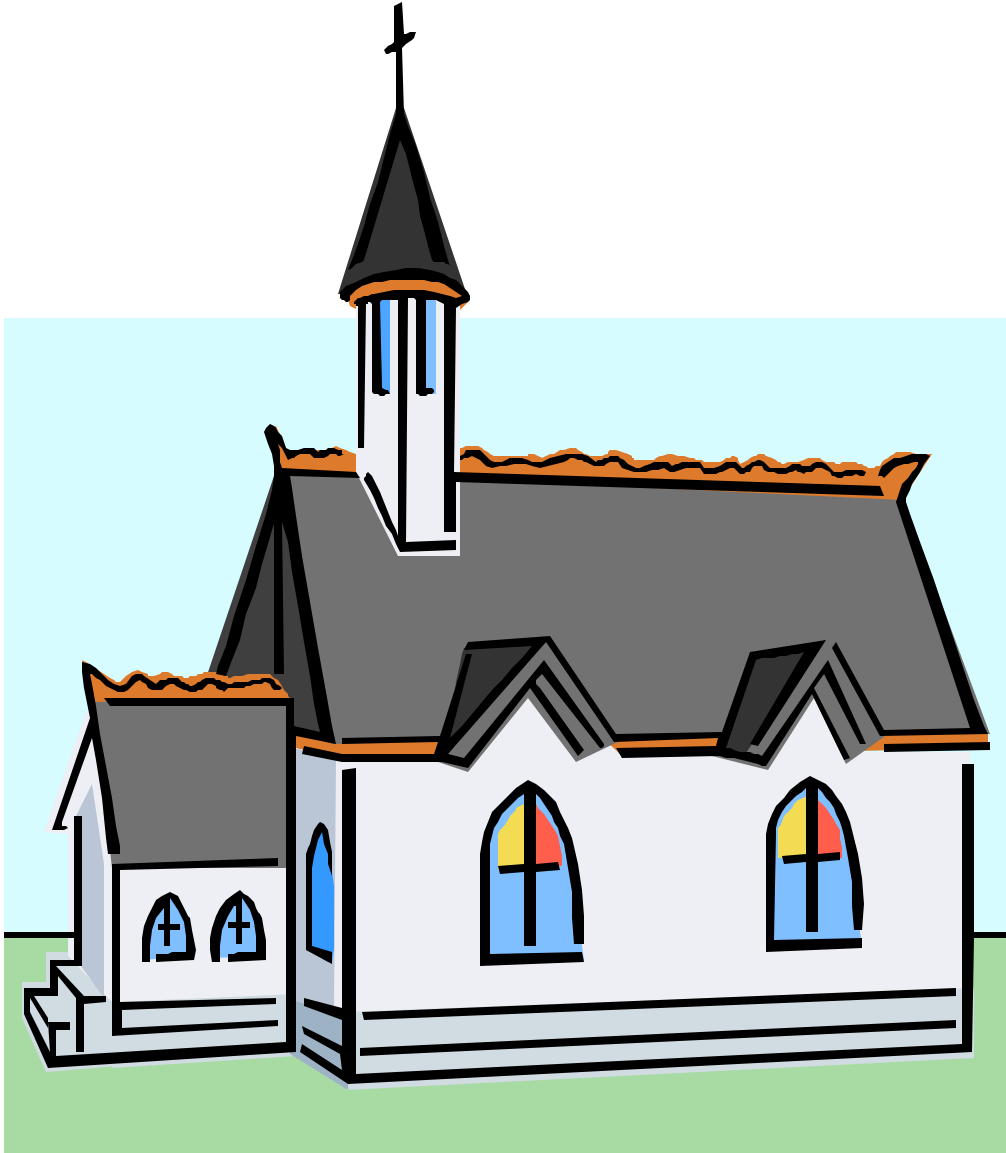
Children's Chapel



Your church name here!

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When we get together, we light the
candles.



We welcome each other to church:

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

People: And blessed be his kingdom now and forever.

We ask God to make our hearts
clean and to clear our minds of any
thoughts which will distract us:

The Leader says a prayer
which is like the Collect for Purity , or simply says
that prayer. (BCP 355)

the Word of God

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.



First we listen to a lesson from the
Old Testament.

Then we say one of the Psalms.

Then we hear a lesson from the Epistles (that
means letters!)

Leader: a Reading from-----.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sometimes we sing a song after
the second lesson, and then we stand for
the Gospel Procession.

The Gospel

The people stand and the Deacon carries the Gospel book into the congregation to proclaim the Gospel.

(YOU are the congregation!)

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

We pray for each other as we say these words. Some people make the sign of the cross on their forehead, on their lips and on their heart to ask God to "Be in our minds, be on our lips, be in our hearts."



The Deacon 'proclaims' the Gospel, which means that he or she says it with authority to the people (you again!) The Gospel is the sacred writing in the Bible which tells us about Jesus and what he teaches us.

The Sermon

The leader of the service tells us a little bit about the lessons we have just heard, and sometimes we hear stories or we are taught something that may warm our hearts or make us feel especially close to God..

The Creed

We say what we believe:

We believe in God.

We believe in Jesus, the Son of God.

We believe in the Holy Spirit.

We believe that Jesus died on the cross for our sins, and that He rose again to save us. We believe that Jesus is in heaven with God, and we believe that we will be with Him someday in heaven.

Amen.

Leader can say the full Creed if desired (BCP 358)

Prayers of the People

We pray together for:

- The Church around the world
- The United States and the people who serve us in public office.
- The concerns of the world.
- Our town, our church family, our schools and teachers, our friends.
- Thanksgivings for our many blessings.
- People who are sick or dying.
- People who have died.

After each prayer has been said, we may say "Lord, hear our prayer," or we may be silent.



The Confession

We confess our sins, which means we think about those things that keep us apart from God:

- Have we been angry?
- Have we been rude to someone?
- Have we taken something that belongs to someone else?
- Have we made someone else sad?

These are a few questions to help us think about those things. Then we tell God we are sorry and we ask for forgiveness.

The Peace

We are asked to greet each other the way Jesus greeted his friends.

Leader: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.



The Holy Communion

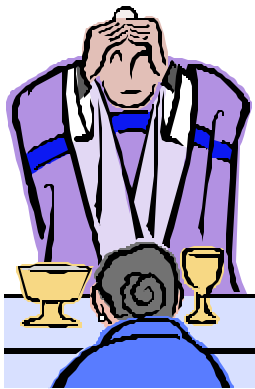
This section may begin with an offertory and/or a hymn.

The offertory

We give God our special gifts for the church or for others the church helps.

The Great Thanksgiving

Thanksgiving every week? You bet! Every Sunday is special day of celebration- we call it a Feast Day (wow! that does sound like Thanksgiving, doesn't it?)



This is a special time where the priest praises God, and where he re-tells the story of how God came to us as Jesus

and gave us a special meal of remembrance called the Eucharist. At the very end, we are invited up to the altar so we can receive the Body and Blood of Christ in the bread and the wine that has been blessed (or sanctified) by the Holy Spirit.



These are some of the prayers we might say
during the Great Thanksgiving:

Leader and people:

Christ has died,
Christ is Risen
Christ will come again.
or this:

We remember his death
We proclaim his resurrection
We await his coming in glory.

At the end of the Eucharistic Prayer we say a
special prayer given to us by Jesus:

Leader: And now, as our Saviour 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, the power and the glory,
now and forever, Amen!"

"Amen means I agree!"

We receive the Body and Blood of Christ

Leader: The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven.

Response: Amen.

Leader: The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation.

Response: Amen.



We say special prayers of thanksgiving after the meal we have shared, and we ask God to send us into the world in peace, and with strength and courage so that we can serve him with our lives, our bodies, and especially our hearts. We thank God and we love God.

Dismissal

Leader: Let us bless the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

We go out of church and into the world to carry
the good news of Jesus Christ our Lord!

