


EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER No. 4 (Recommended revisions-Last revised 2009oct28)

Priest: The Lord be with you.
PEOPLE: And also with you.
Priest: Lift up your hearts.
PEOPLE: We lift them up to the Lord.
Priest: Let us give thanks to our God and Father.
PEOPLE: It is right to give him thanks, offerings, and praise.

PREFACE

Father in heaven,
it is right that we should give You thanks and glory:
You alone are God, living and true.
Through all eternity You live in unapproachable light.
Source of life and goodness, You have designed all things
to fill Your creatures with every blessing
and lead all men to the joyful vision of Your light.
Countless hosts of angels stand before You to do Your will;
they look upon Your splendor and praise You, night and day.
United with them, and in the name of every creature under heaven,
we too praise Your glory as we say (sing):

SANCTUS [First Acclamation of the People]

 **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 Father.
Hosanna in the highest.

 **KNEEL** [Praise to the Father]

Father, we acknowledge Your greatness:
all Your actions show Your wisdom and love.
The Word formed man in their image and likeness
and set him over the whole world
to serve our Creator and to rule over all creatures.
Even when he disobeyed You and lost Your friendship
You did not abandon him to the power of death,
but helped all men to seek and find You.
Again and again You offered a covenant to man,
and through the prophets taught him to hope for salvation.
Father, You so loved the world that in the fullness of time
You sent Your only Son to be our Savior.

**He was conceived through the power of the Holy Ghost,
and born of the Virgin Mary, a Man like us in all things but sin.
To the poor He proclaimed the good news of salvation,
to prisoners, freedom, and to those in sorrow, / joy.
In fulfillment of Your will He gave himself up to death;
but by rising from the dead, He destroyed death and restored life.
And that we might live no longer for ourselves but for Him,
He sent the Holy Ghost from You, Father,
as His first gift to those who believe,
to complete His work on earth / and bring us the fullness of grace.**

[Invocation of the Holy Ghost] Priest joins hands and then outstretches them over the bread and wine.

Father, may the Holy Ghost bless this bread and wine.

Hands are joined and the sign of the cross is made once over both the bread and wine:

**Let them become the living, / Body ✠ and Blood,
of Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord,**

Hands are joined:

**as we celebrate the great mystery of faith /
received with the new and everlasting covenant.**

[The Lord's Supper] Priest takes paten with bread on it and raises it a little above the altar:

**He always loved those who were His own in the world.
When the time came for Him to be glorified by You, /
His heavenly Father, He showed the depth of His love.**

Paten is returned to altar:

While they were at supper,

The priest raises the pure white unleavened host to the level of his heart and continues:

**He takes bread, says the blessing, brakes the bread,
gives it to His disciples saying :**

Jesus, united with a moral ministerial priest, does not bow:

**Take this, you who are participating with Me, and eat:
this is My Body which will be given up for you.**



Priest shows Jesus to the people and then places Him on the paten
that is then placed upon the corporal and genuflects, or preferably kneels:

In the same way, He takes the cup, filled with wine.

The chalice with sacramental wine is raised to the level of the priest's heart; he continues:

He gives You thanks, and gives the cup to His disciples saying:

Jesus, in union with moral ministerial priests, does not bow:

**Take this, all of you, and imbibe of Me:
for this is the Blood of the new covenant
that will be shed for you and for many.**

(those whose sin is to be forgiven)

Remember My works and unite yours, through Me, to our Father. 

The chalice with Jesus is respectfully shown to the congregation and then placed on the corporal and priest genuflects, or preferably kneels:

[Memorial Acclamation]

Priest: Now let us – acknowledge the presence of our Lord Jesus.
– talk directly to Jesus recognizing His presence.
– personally and individually address our Lord Jesus.
– , who have been to confession, acknowledge Jesus.
– , who are in the state of grace, greet our Lord Jesus.

PEOPLE: A Lord You have died,
Lord You have risen,
Lord You are here again.

Priest: Now let us – give thanks to our Lord Jesus.
– speak with our Lord Jesus, giving Him thanks.
In humility let us thank our Lord Jesus, Who is now with us.

PEOPLE: B Lord, thank You for dying for repentant sinners.
Lord, thank You for attesting to resurrection.
Thank You, Jesus, for being with us this day.

Priest: Now let us petition our Lord Jesus Who is present with us.

PEOPLE: C Dying You destroyed our death,
rising You restored our life.
Lord Jesus, bring us to Your glory.

Priest: Now let us associate with the saving work of our Lord Jesus.

PEOPLE: D When we eat this Bread and share in Your life,
Lord Jesus, Your death bears fruit
toward Your return in glory.

Priest: Let us address our Lord Jesus Who is now present with us.

PEOPLE: E Lord, by Your cross and resurrection
You have set us free.
You are the Savior of the faithful.

[The Memorial Prayer] Priest extends his hands:

**Father, we now participate in the eternal event of salvation.
We recall Christ's death, His descent among the dead
His resurrection, and His ascension to Your right hand.
Looking forward to when He returns in glory,
we offer You our sacrifices together with Jesus'
one acceptable sacrifice that brings salvation
to the faithful of the universe for all time.**

**Father, look upon His sacrifice which You give to Your Church;
through the power of the Holy Ghost, gather all who worthily share
in this holy Sacrament into the one Body of Christ,
as a living sacrifice of praise.**

[Intercessions: For the Church]

**Almighty God, remember those for whom we have offered sacrifices,
especially faithful priests and religious everywhere.
Remember those who have faithfully taken part in this offering,
those here present and all who sincerely seek Your truths.**

[For the Dead]

**Remember those who have died in the peace of Christ
and all the dead whose faith is known to You alone.**

[In Communion with the Saints]

**Father, in Your mercy grant also to us, Your children,
to enter into our heavenly inheritance
in the company of the Virgin Mary, the mother of our Savior,
and Your apostles and saints.**

**Then, in Your kingdom, freed from the corruption of sin and death,
we shall sing Your glory with every creature through Christ our Lord,**

Priest joins his hands:

through whom You give us everything that is good.

[Concluding Doxology]

Priest takes chalice and paten with the consecrated
bread and wine, lifts them up, and sings or says:

**Through Him, with Him, in Him,
in the unity of the Holy Ghost,
all honor and glory is Yours,
almighty Father, for ever and ever.**

All reply:

Amen.