

**Most merciful God,
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
we confess that we have sinned
in thought, word and deed.
We have not loved you with our whole
heart.
We have not loved our neighbours as
ourselves.
In your mercy
forgive what we have been,
help us to amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be;
that we may do justly,
love mercy, and walk humbly with you,
our God. Amen.**

May the God of love and power
forgive you and free you from your sins,
heal and strengthen you by his Spirit,
and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Blessed are you, sovereign God,
our light and our salvation;
to you be glory and praise for ever.
You led your people to freedom
by a pillar of cloud by day and a pillar
of fire by night.
May we who walk in the light of your
presence
acclaim your Christ, rising victorious,
as he banishes all darkness from our
hearts and minds.
Blessed be God, Father, Son and
Holy Spirit:

Blessed be God for ever.

The day is almost over, and the evening
has come;
let us pray with one heart and mind.

Sit or kneel. Silence is kept.

As our evening prayer rises before you,
O God,
so may your Spirit come down upon us
to set us free to sing your praise
for ever and ever.
Amen.

The Word of God

Psalmody

Each psalm or group of psalms may end with

**Glory to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning is now
and shall be for ever. Amen.**

First Reading

At the end of each reading:

This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Music is played

Second Reading

The Lord is my light and my salvation;
the Lord is the strength of my life.

**The Lord is my light and my salvation;
the Lord is the strength of my life.**

The light shines in the darkness
and the darkness has not overcome it.

The Lord is the strength of my life.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son and
to the Holy Spirit.

**The Lord is my light and my salvation;
the Lord is the strength of my life.**

Sermon or Reflection

The Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our
Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,**

was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the
Father,
and he will come to judge the living and
the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

Music is played

Prayers of Intercession.

The Collect is said.

Gathering our prayers and praises into
one, as our Saviour has taught us, so
we pray

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever. Amen.**

The Conclusion

The Lord bless us, and preserve us
from all evil, and keep us in eternal
life. **Amen.**

Let us bless the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

All Saints Allesley

in the heart of the community
with God at the centre

Evening Prayer

spoken word service

Music may be played as people gather

Welcome and notices

Preparation

The light and peace of Jesus Christ be
with you
and also with you.

The glory of the Lord has risen upon
us.
**Let us rejoice and sing God's praise for
ever.**

We have come together in the name of
Christ
to offer our praise and thanksgiving,
to hear and receive God's holy word,
to pray for the needs of the world,
and to seek the forgiveness of our sins,
that by the power of the Holy Spirit
we may give ourselves to the service of
God.

Jesus says, 'Repent, for the kingdom of
heaven is close at hand.'
So let us turn away from our sin and
turn to Christ,
confessing our sins in penitence and
faith.