

COLLECTS FOR SUNDAYS AND FEASTDAYS *RCL Year C 2015-2016*

In the Collects that follow, the ending is left to the Presider's discretion.

It is customary during the Sunday Eucharist to end the Collect of the Day with a full Doxology; a full Doxology may also be used at other celebrations of the Eucharist. On other occasions, in Morning or Evening Prayer, for example, the shorter form, '**through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**' may be used.

For those Collects that require a special form of the Doxology to complete the sense or to be grammatically correct, the Doxology is provided.

ADVENT I

APB 1989

29 November 2015

**Almighty Father,
your Son came to us in humility as our saviour
and at the last day
he will come again in glory as our judge:
give us grace to turn away from darkness
to the light of Christ
that we may be ready to welcome him
and to enter into his kingdom;
where he lives and reigns with you
and the Holy Spirit, one God,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

ADVENT II

Consultation on Common Texts

6 December 2015

**God of timeless grace,
you fill us with joyful expectation:
make us ready for the message
that prepares the way,
so that with uprightness of heart and holy joy
we may eagerly await
the kingdom of your Son, Jesus Christ ... ***

ADVENT III

APB 1989

13 December 2015

**Merciful Father,
you sent John the Baptist
to announce the coming of your Son:
inspire all who minister in your Church
to prepare for his coming again
by turning us from disobedience
to your loving service;
through Jesus Christ our Lord ...***

ADVENT IV

Consultation on Common Texts

20 December 2015

**O God of grace and glory,
you visited your servants Elizabeth and Mary
with news of the world's redemption
in the coming of the Saviour:
make our hearts leap with joy,
and fill our mouths with songs of praise,
that we may announce glad tidings of peace,
and welcome the Christ in our midst,
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God in glory everlasting. Amen.**

CHRISTMAS EVE – Early Service

Consultation on Common Texts, revised

24 December 2015

**God of love,
angels spoke to shepherds
and eternity entered time
in the child of Bethlehem:
through the telling of the Christmas story
we join the shepherds and the angels
in praising the coming of Jesus Christ, our Saviour,
who lives and reigns with you
and the Holy Spirit, one God,
now and forever. Amen.**

CHRISTMAS EVE - at Midnight

APB 1989

24 December 2015

**Heavenly Father,
you made this holy night radiant
with the brightness of your Son Jesus Christ:
help us to welcome him
as the world's true Light
and bring us to eternal joy in his kingdom;
where he lives and reigns with you
and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. Amen.**

CHRISTMAS DAY

Consultation on Common Texts, revised

25 December 2015

**O Christ, Light of life
you came as a child;
born into human pain and joy,
and gave us power to be your children;
Grant us faith to recognise
your presence among us
so that all of creation may sing new songs of gladness
and walk in the way of peace,
to the glory of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
one God, forever and ever. Amen.**

CHRISTMAS I

Adapted from AOB 1989 Christmas II and Common Worship

27 December 2015

**Almighty God,
you wonderfully created us in your own image
and yet more wonderfully restored us
through your Son Jesus Christ:
grant that, as he came to share in our humanity,
so we may share the life of his divinity;
who is alive and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God,
now and for ever, Amen.**

THE HOLY NAME OF JESUS

BCP 1979

1 January 2016

**Eternal Father,
you gave your incarnate Son
the holy name of Jesus
to be a sign of our salvation:
plant in our hearts the love of him
who is the Saviour of the world,
our Lord Jesus Christ, ... ***

THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD

Consultation on Common Texts, revised

6 January 2016

**O God of light and peace,
your glory shines in the child of Bethlehem
and still draws the nations to you;
dispel the darkness that shrouds our path
that we may kneel before Christ
to offer our hearts and souls,
and return from his presence
to live as he taught;
who lives and reigns with you
and the Holy Spirit,
one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.**

EPIPHANY I: *Baptism of our Lord*

Consultation on Common Texts

10 January 2016

**Lord God, you revealed your Son
in the waters of the Jordan
and anointed him
with the power of the Holy Spirit
to proclaim good news to all people:
sanctify us by the same Spirit,
that we may proclaim
the healing power of the gospel
by acts of love in your name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, ... ***

EPIPHANY II

Adapted from Consultation on Common Texts and BCP 1979

17 January 2016

**Almighty God,
your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ
is the light of the world:
shine in us and through us,
that we may become beacons
of truth and compassion;
through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, ... ***

EPIPHANY III

24 January 2016

BCP 1979, revised

**O Lord God,
give us grace readily to answer
the call of our Saviour Jesus Christ
and proclaim to all people
the Good News of his salvation;
that we and the whole world
may reflect the glory of his marvellous works,
who lives and reigns with you
and the Holy Spirit one God,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

EPIPHANY IV

31 January 2016

Consultation on Common Texts

**O God, you spoke your word
and revealed your good news
in Jesus, the Christ:
fill all creation with that word again,
so that by proclaiming
your joyful promises to all nations
and singing of your glorious hope
to all peoples,
we may become one living body;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, ... ***

PRESENTATION OF OUR LORD

2 February 2016

BCP 1979, adapted

**Almighty and ever-living God
your only begotten Son
was this day presented in the temple:
grant that we may we be presented to you
with pure and clean hearts
by Jesus Christ our Lord;
who lives and reigns with you
and the Holy Spirit, one God,
now and forever. Amen.**

SUNDAY OF THE TRANSFIGURATION

7 February 2016

Common Worship

Last Sunday after Pentecost

**Almighty Father
your Son was revealed in majesty
before he suffered death upon the cross;
give us grace to perceive his glory,
that we may be strengthened
to suffer with him
and be changed into his likeness
from glory to glory;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

ASH WEDNESDAY

APB 1989

10 February 2016

**Almighty and holy God,
your Son, in obedience to the Spirit
fasted forty days in the desert:
give us grace so to discipline ourselves
that we may press on towards Easter
with eager faith and love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, ...***

LENT 1

Consultation on Common Texts, adapted

14 February 2016

**God of wilderness and water,
your son was baptised and tempted as we are:
strengthen us to persevere
as we embrace the struggles of life
on the way to the cross;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, ... ***

LENT 2

Consultation on Common Texts, adapted

21 February 2016

**God of the covenant
you promised mercy and hope for all:
gather us to yourself in tenderness,
and open our ears to listen for your word,
so that, assured of your faithfulness,
we may live to your praise and glory;
through our Lord Jesus Christ, ... ***

LENT 3

Consultation on Common Texts, adapted

28 February 2016

**God of infinite goodness,
throughout the ages you have persevered
in claiming and reclaiming your people:
renew for us your call to repentance,
surround us with witnesses to aid us in our journey,
and grant us the grace to fashion our lives anew;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour, ... ***

LENT 4

New Collect composed by the ACSA Liturgical Committee

6 March 2016

**God of extravagant love
you reveal the new creation:
expose our self-satisfaction
that we may embrace the wayward
and be reconciled to you and one another;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, ... ***

LENT 5

APB 1989

13 March 2016

**Holy God and Lord of life,
by the death and resurrection
of your Son Jesus Christ,
you delivered and saved the world:
grant that by faith in him
who suffered on the cross
we may triumph in the power of his victory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, ... ***

PALM SUNDAY - SUNDAY of PASSION

APB 1989

20 March 2016

**Eternal Father,
your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ
fulfilled your will by taking our nature
and giving his life for us:
help us to follow the example of his humility
by walking in the way of the cross;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, ... ***

MAUNDY THURSDAY

APB 1989

24 March 2016

**God our Father,
your Son revealed his love
by giving us this supper
to celebrate the new and eternal sacrifice:
may he nourish us by his presence
and unite us in his love;
who is alive, and reigns with you
and the Holy Spirit one God,
now and for ever. Amen.**

GOOD FRIDAY

APB 1989

25 March 2016

**Almighty Father, hear our prayer
and look mercifully on this your family
for which our Lord Jesus Christ
was ready to be betrayed
into the hands of sinners
and to suffer death on the cross;
who is alive, and reigns with you
and the Holy Spirit one God,
now and for ever. Amen.**

HOLY SATURDAY *for Morning and Evening Prayer*

APB 1989

26 March 2016

**God our Father
we have been baptised
into the death of your Son
our Saviour Jesus Christ:
grant that, by continually putting to death
our sinful nature
we may be buried with him
and through the grave and gate of death
may pass to our joyful resurrection;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, ... ***

PASCAL VIGIL

New Collect composed by the ACSA Liturgical Committee

The Great Vigil of Easter

26-27 March 2016

**Almighty God,
this night explodes with the radiance of the risen Christ:
set us ablaze with the power your love
and propel us into your world
to live and proclaim the gospel of the living Lord;
who lives and reigns with you
and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen**

EASTER DAY*Consultation on Common Texts, adapted*

27 March 2016

**Lord of all life and power,
you transformed the tomb of death
into the womb of new life
from which burst forth your son,
the first born of the new creation:
Make us joyful witnesses to this good news
that all humanity may
gather at the feast of new life;
where with the Risen Son and the Holy Spirit,
you reign for ever and ever. Amen.**

EASTER 2*Consultation on Common Texts, adapted*

3 April 2016

**God of mission,
you raised up Jesus Christ
as your faithful witness
and the first born of the dead:
by your Holy Spirit,
empower us to witness to him
so that those who have not yet seen
may come to believe in him
who was and is and is to come,
and who lives and reigns with you
and the Holy Spirit, one God,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

EASTER 3*New Collect composed by the ACSA Liturgical Committee*

10 April 2016

**Merciful God
whose love will not let us go:
restore in us the power of our calling
that we may boldly fulfil
the tasks you set before us;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, ...***

EASTER 4*BCP 1979, adapted*

17 April 2016

**O God, your Son Jesus
is the good shepherd:
grant that all who hear his voice
may know him who calls us each by name,
and follow where he leads;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, ... ***

EASTER 5*New Collect composed by the ACSA Liturgical Committee*

24 April 2016

**Gracious God,
your Son revealed the meaning of love:
increase in us that same love,
that all may know we are your disciples;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, ...***

EASTER 6

APB 1989, adapted

1 May 2016

**Eternal Father,
your reign extends beyond space and time:
grant that in this world of changing things
we may hold fast to your promises
that endure for ever;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, ... ***

ASCENSION DAY

APB 1989 and BCP 1979, adapted

5 May 2016

**Sovereign Lord,
your ascended Son fills the entire universe:
strengthen our witness
that all may acknowledge his reign;
through the same Jesus Christ our Lord ... ***

EASTER 7

New Collect composed by the ACSA Liturgical Committee

8 May 2016

**Triune God,
Jesus prayed that we might be one:
help us to transcend our differences
and find our unity in Jesus Christ our Lord; ... ***

DAY OF PENTECOST

APB 1989 adapted

15 May 2016

**Almighty God,
on the Day of Pentecost
you sent your Holy Spirit to the disciples
with wind from heaven
and tongues of flame:
inspire our hearts,
set them on fire with joy and power
and send us out as witnesses
to the wonder of your love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, ... ***

WEEKDAYS AFTER THE DAY OF PENTECOST

16-22 May 2016

New Collect composed by the ACSA Liturgical Committee

**O Lord, all good things come from you:
inspire us by your grace
that we may discern
those things that are good
and by your power perform them;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, ... ***

TRINITY SUNDAY

New Collect composed by the ACSA Liturgical Committee

22 May 2016

**God of unchangeable power,
you have revealed yourself to us
as Father Son and Holy Spirit:
keep us firm in this faith
that we may praise and bless your holy name,
for you are one God
living and reigning in glory
now and for ever. Amen.**

CORPUS CHRISTI

New Collect composed by the ACSA Liturgical Committee

26 May 2016

**God of grace and glory
in the Paschal mystery you established
the new covenant of reconciliation
and grafted us into the Body of your Son
our Saviour Jesus Christ:
empower us with his love
and make us one
as he prayed that we should be one;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, ... ***

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

APB 1989, adapted

29 May 2016

**God of all wisdom,
you have so ordered our life
that we walk by faith and not by sight:
grant that in the darkness of this world
we may witness to our faith
by the courage of our lives;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, ... ***

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Consultation on Common Texts, adapted

5 June 2016

**Provident God,
whose love enfolds the needy
and comforts those who mourn:
give us strength through Jesus Christ
to be instruments of your compassion
to those who are wounded by life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, ... ***

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

APB 1989, adapted

12 June 2016

**God of justice and love,
you call your church to witness
that you are in Christ
reconciling the world to yourself:
help us to proclaim by word and deed
the good news of your love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, ... ***

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Consultation on Common Texts, adapted

19 June 2016

**God of all the nations:
when race, class or gender divide us
convict us with your presence
and draw us all in to the unity of your love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, ... ***

SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST *New Collect composed by the ACSA Liturgical Committee*

26 June 2016

**O God of freedom and love,
you have set us free in Jesus Christ:
make us servants of the gospel
for the sake of your reign of love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, ... ***

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Consultation on Common Texts, adapted

3 July 2016

**O God, you make all things new:
make us ministers of your transforming power
that all may share in the healing Christ brings;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, ... ***

EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

New Collect composed by the ACSA Liturgical

Committee

10 July 2016

**O God of compassion and mercy:
open our hearts to the needs of our neighbours
that we may serve Christ in them;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, ... ***

NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

BCP 1979, adapted

17 July 2016

**Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom
you know our needs before we ask
and our ignorance in asking:
have compassion on our weakness
and grant us those things
which for our unworthiness we dare not
and for our blindness we cannot ask;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, ... ***

TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Consultation on Common Texts, adapted

24 July 2016

**Living God,
you raise us to fullness of life in Christ:
teach us to pray
and grant us hopeful persistence
in seeking your will and your way;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, ... ***

ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Consultation on Common Texts, adapted

31 July 2016

**Generous God,
you give us all things in abundance:
help us to hold lightly
the fading things of this earth
so that we may grasp tightly
the lasting things of your kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, ... ***

TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

BCP 1979 and Consultation on Common Texts,

adapted

7 August 2016

**God of judgement and grace:
grant to us the Spirit
to think and do
always those things that are right
so that we may follow in your way
all the days of our lives;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, ... ***

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

14 August 2016

BCP 1979 and Consultation on Common Texts, adapted

**God of righteousness and mercy,
you have given your Son
as pioneer and perfecter of our faith:
give us courage to bear the cost of discipleship
as we run the race that is set before us;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, ... ***

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

New Collect composed by the ACSA Liturgical

Committee

21 August 2016

**God of all the ages
you never cease
to call us into covenant with you:
grant us grace and make us faithful
to proclaim the wonders of your salvation;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, ... ***

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Consultation on Common Texts, adapted

28 August 2016

**God of majestic glory,
you have revealed yourself in Jesus Christ
who is the same yesterday, today, and for ever:
direct us to walk the path of humility
that at the last we might reign with him in glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord...**

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

BCP 1979, adapted

4 September 2016

**Faithful God,
you never forsake those
who make their boast in the cross of Christ:
grant us the grace
not to confide in our own strength
but to trust in you with all our hearts;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, ... ***

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (New)

11 September 2016

New Collect composed by the ACSA Liturgical Committee

**Loving God,
you seek us whenever we wander
away from you:
find and embrace us
that we may rejoice
in the safety of your loving arms;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, ... ***

HOLY CROSS

APB 1989

14 September 2016

**Eternal Lord,
you revealed your love
when your Son was lifted up
in splendour on the cross:
shine in our world
and draw us into his glorious light;
who lives and reigns with you
and the Holy Spirit,**

one God, now and for ever. Amen.
EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST *New Collect composed by the ACSA Liturgical
Committee*
18 September 2016

**O God the source of our salvation,
you sent your Son to redeem us:
anoint us with the spirit of consolation and joy
that we may respond to the cries of your people;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, ... ***

NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST *Consultation on Common Texts, adapted*
25 September 2016

**Holy God,
from whom all good things come:
unchain us from our desire for wealth
so that we may release others
from the prisons of poverty,
hunger, and oppression;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, ... ***

TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST *Common Worship, adapted*
2 October 2016

**Almighty and everlasting God,
you appointed us as heralds of your gospel:
increase our faith
that we may run the way of your commandments
and win the crown of everlasting joy;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, ... ***

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (New)
9 October 2016 *New Collect composed by the ACSA Liturgical Committee*

**God the source of all power,
your people find wholeness in your love;
grant that our trials will not blind us
to Christ's presence among us
but that we will receive the gift
of your healing with grateful hearts;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, ... ***

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST *Consultation on Common Texts, adapted*
16 October 2016

**God of judgement and mercy:
help us to live the faith we have received
so that when Christ returns
we may be found worthy
to be received into your presence;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, ... ***

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
23 October 2016 *Consultation on Common Texts and APB 1989, adapted*

**O God,
the strength of those who humbly confess their sin
and place their hope in you:
save us from pride
and give us the mind of Christ
that sharing his humility
we may come to be with him in his glory;**

through Jesus Christ our Lord, ... *

[23rd Sunday after Pentecost is *Bible Sunday* - Special Day of Prayer]

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Consultation on Common Texts, adapted

30 October 2016

**O God,
in Christ you seek and save the lost:
visit us with the joy of salvation
that we may rejoice
in the riches of your forgiveness;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, ... ***

ALL SAINTS

APB 1989

1 November 2016

**Gracious God,
you have bound your saints together
in the fellowship of your church
and have prepared for them
joys beyond our understanding:
help us to follow them in our daily lives
and bring us with them to everlasting glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, ... ***

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Common Worship, adapted

6 November 2016

**Almighty Father,
it is your will to restore all things in Christ:
prepare our hearts and minds
that we may be ready
to receive Christ's just and gentle rule;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, ... ***

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Consultation on Common Texts, adapted

13 November 2016

**God of all time
and the whole creation,
in Christ you make all things new:
grant us wisdom
to interpret the signs of the times,
courage to stand firm in the time of trial
and faith to witness to your truth and love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, ... ***

REIGN OF CHRIST – SUNDAY OF CHRIST THE KING

Common Worship, adapted

20 November 2016

27th Sunday after Pentecost

**Eternal Father,
your Son rules over all things:
keep the church in the unity of the Spirit
and in the bond of peace
and bring the whole created order
to worship at his feet;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, ... ***

COLLECTS FOR ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS *RCL Year A 2016-2017*

ADVENT I

APB 1989

27 November 2016

**Almighty Father,
your Son came to us in humility as our saviour
and at the last day
he will come again in glory as our judge:
give us grace to turn away from darkness
to the light of Christ
that we may be ready to welcome him
and to enter into his kingdom;
where he lives and reigns with you
and the Holy Spirit, one God,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

ADVENT II

Consultation on Common Texts

4 December 2016

**O God of all the prophets,
you fill us with joyful expectation:
make us ready for the message
that prepares the way,
that with uprightness of heart and holy joy
we may eagerly await
the kingdom of your Son,
Jesus Christ, who reigns with you
and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

ADVENT III

Consultation on Common Texts

11 December 2016

**God of hope,
you call us home from the exile of selfish oppression
to the freedom of justice,
the balm of healing,
and the joy of sharing:
make us strong to join you in your holy work,
as friends of strangers and victims,
companions of the outcast
and the consolation of the broken-hearted;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, ... ***

ADVENT IV

Consultation on Common Texts, adapted

18 December 2016

**God of Joseph and Mary,
may Jesus, our Emmanuel,
be more than just a dream in our hearts:
save us and restore us,
that we may bear your power into the world;
through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, ... ***

CHRISTMAS EVE – Early Service

Consultation on Common Texts, adapted

24 December 2016

**God of love,
angels spoke to shepherds
and eternity entered time
in the child of Bethlehem:
through the telling of the Christmas story
we join the shepherds and the angels
in praising the coming of Jesus Christ, our Saviour,
who lives and reigns with you
and the Holy Spirit, one God,
now and forever. Amen.**

CHRISTMAS EVE - at Midnight

APB 1989

24 December 2015

**Heavenly Father,
you made this holy night radiant
with the brightness of your Son Jesus Christ:
help us to welcome him
as the world's true Light
and bring us to eternal joy in his kingdom;
where he lives and reigns with you
and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. Amen.**

CHRISTMAS DAY

Consultation on Common Texts, revised

25 December 2015

**O Christ, Light of life
you came as a child;
born into human pain and joy,
and gave us power to be your children;
Grant us faith to recognise
your presence among us
so that all of creation may sing new songs of gladness
and walk in the way of peace,
to the glory of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
one God, forever and ever. Amen.**

1ST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

1 January 2017

**Holy God, our refuge and strength,
you led the holy family into exile in Egypt
during Herod's slaughter of the children:
give us open hearts,
that we might embrace
our suffering sisters and brothers,
and welcome Jesus
in the hospitality we show to exiles;
for he lives and reigns with you
and the Holy Spirit, one God
for ever and ever. Amen.**