A SERVICE OF
MORNING or EVENING
PRAYER
FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

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ANGELICAN DIOCESE OF ROCKHAMPTON
1. GATHERING IN GOD’S NAME (stand)

Opening hymn

The Lord be with you:
   And also with you.
This is the day the Lord has made:
   We will rejoice and be glad in it.
Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth;
sing the glory of his name.
   Say, “How awesome are your deeds, O Lord!”

Sentence of scripture.

Friends in Christ,
We come together to meet with God,
and to take our part in the building up of his Church.
We will lift up our hearts in thanks and praise,
hear from God’s holy word,
and pray for this world, and for ourselves.

Prayer of thanksgiving:
Gracious God, we humbly thank you for life and health and safety;
   We thank you for freedom to work, leisure to rest,
   and for all that is beautiful in creation and human life.
But above all, we praise you for our Saviour, Jesus Christ,
for his death and resurrection, for the gift of your Spirit,
and for the hope of sharing in your glory.
   Fill our hearts with all joy and peace in believing,
   through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

6. THE SENDING OUT OF GOD’S PEOPLE (stand)

Loving God, we thank you for hearing our prayers,
feeding us with your word,
and encouraging us in our meeting together.
   Take us and use us
to love and serve you and all people,
in the power of your Spirit,
   and in the name of your Son,
   Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit
be with us all evermore. Amen

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
   In the name of Christ. Amen.

Final hymn
Accept our prayers, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who taught us to 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.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.

Rejoice always, pray without ceasing,
in everything give thanks:
For this is the will of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

2. THE CONFESSION (kneel)

The Bible tells us to approach God confidently, through our Lord Jesus Christ. As we do so, we must confess our sins, seeking forgiveness through God’s boundless goodness and mercy:

(a time of silence)

We pray together:
Lord, we have sinned in thought, word and deed.
Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

We are truly sorry and we ask you to forgive us.
Christ have mercy.
Christ have mercy.

Help us by your Spirit to live in newness of life.
Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

In this is love:
Not that we loved God, but that he loved us,
and sent his Son to be the perfect offering for our sins.
Thanks be to God!
3. THE MINISTRY OF GOD’S WORD (sit)

Bible reading.
For the word of the Lord: Thanks be to God.
Psalm or Reflection.
Hymn.

Gospel reading.
The gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to ......
   Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.
This is the Gospel of the Lord:
   Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Children’s talk.
The sermon.

Statement of Faith:
We believe in one God, who made and loves all that is.

We believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord, who was born, lived, died and rose again, and is coming to call all to account.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, who calls, equips and sends out God’s people, and brings all things to their true end.

The is our faith, the faith of the church:
We believe in one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

4. THE GREETING OF PEACE & OFFERING (stand)

We are the Body of Christ:
   His Spirit is with us.
The peace of the Lord be always with you:
   And also with you

Sharing of the peace.
Hymn & offertory collection.

Offering prayer:
Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have these gifts to share. Accept and use our offerings for your glory and for the service of your kingdom.
   Blessed be God for ever.

5. THE MINISTRY OF PRAYER (kneel or sit)

For the beauty and wonder of creation, we thank you Lord.
   For daily food, for homes and families and friends, we thank you Lord.
For minds to think, hearts to love, and imaginations to wonder, we thank you Lord.
   For health and strength and skill to work, and for leisure to rest and play, we thank you Lord.
For patience in suffering, for courage and faithfulness in difficult times, we thank you Lord.
   For all the saints whose lives have reflected the light of Christ, we thank you Lord.

The prayer for the day.
The intercessions.