**Prayer and Worship- Annotated**

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| Q. | What is prayer? |  |
| A. | Prayer is responding to God, by thought and by deeds, with or without words. | Negative: flattens everything out.  Positive: prayerful in all things.  Keywords:  Relationship with the confession prayer. |
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| Q. | What is Christian Prayer? |  |
| A. | Christian prayer is response to God the Father, through Jesus Christ, in the power of the Holy Spirit. | Trinitarian: |
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| Q. | What prayer did Christ teach us? |  |
| A. | Our Lord gave us the example of prayer known as the Lord's Prayer.   *See page*[*364*](https://www.bcponline.org/HE/he2.html#Lords%20Prayer)*.* |  |
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| Q. | What are the principal kinds of prayer? |  |
| A. | The principal kinds of prayer are adoration, praise, thanksgiving, penitence, oblation, intercession, and petition. | * Adoration: * Praise: * Thanksgiving: * Penitence: * Oblation: * Intercession: * Petition:   All these are available in the Lord’s Prayer. |
| Q. | What is adoration? |  |
| A. | Adoration is the lifting up of the heart and mind to God, asking nothing but to enjoy God's presence. | Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: |
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| Q. | Why do we praise God? |  |
| A. | We praise God, not to obtain anything, but because God's Being draws praise from us. | Not conditional, but an unconditional response to God’s beauty. |
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| Q. | For what do we offer thanksgiving? |  |
| A. | Thanksgiving is offered to God for all the blessings of this life, for our redemption, and for whatever draws us closer to God. | * all the blessings of this life,   + for our redemption,   + and for whatever draws us closer to God.     - Good things.     - Suffering. |
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| Q. | What is penitence? |  |
| A. | In penitence, we confess our sins and make restitution where possible, with the intention to amend our lives. | Key: make restitution. |
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| Q. | What is prayer of oblation? |  |
| A. | Oblation is an offering of ourselves, our lives and labors, in union with Christ, for the purposes of God. | Word and deed. |
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| Q. | What are intercession and petition? |  |
| A. | Intercession brings before God the needs of others; in petition, we present our own needs, that God's will may be done. | Intercession: prayers for others.  Petition: prayer for ourselves. |
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| Q. | What is corporate worship? |  |
| A. | In corporate (common) worship, we unite ourselves with others to acknowledge the holiness of God, to hear God's Word, to offer prayer, and to celebrate the sacraments. | * Prayer.   + Worship.     - Sacraments. |
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**Prayer of General Thanksgiving**

Almighty God, Father of all mercies,  
we thine unworthy servants  
do give thee most humble and hearty thanks  
for all thy goodness and loving-kindness  
to us and to all men.  
We bless thee for our creation, preservation,  
and all the blessings of this life;  
but above all for thine inestimable love  
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;  
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.  
And, we beseech thee,  
give us that due sense of all thy mercies,  
that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful;  
and that we show forth thy praise,  
not only with our lips, but in our lives,  
by giving up our selves to thy service,  
and by walking before thee  
in holiness and righteousness all our days;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost,  
be all honor and glory, world without end.     *Amen.*

**The Sacraments- Annotated**

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| Q. | What are the sacraments? |  |
| A. | The sacraments are outward and visible signs of inward and spiritual grace, given by Christ as sure and certain means by which we receive that grace. | The sacraments are:   * outward and visible signs of * inward and spiritual grace,   given by Christ as sure and certain means by which we receive that grace. |
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| Q. | What is grace? |  |
| A. | Grace is God's favor toward us, unearned and undeserved; by grace God forgives our sins, enlightens our minds, stirs our hearts, and strengthens our wills. | Grace is God's favor toward us, unearned and undeserved;  by grace God:   * forgives our sins, * enlightens our minds, * stirs our hearts, * and strengthens our wills. |
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| Q. | What are the two great sacraments of the Gospel? |  |
| A. | The two great sacraments given by Christ to his Church are Holy Baptism and the Holy Eucharist. | * Dominical sacraments: Lt: *Domini.* * They have specific words, and material realities. * Baptism: name of the Triune God, and water. * Communion: do this in remembrance of me, and bread and wine. |