



Lenten Proper Prefaces for Eucharistic Prayer #3
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Updated versions of these prefaces (words only) and an additional preface for Lent 2A are available on pp. 33-34 in the online revised edition of Making Disciples, which is available at <http://www.anglican.ca/wp-content/uploads/Making-Disciples.pdf>. These prefaces are also provided below.


Lent III


Bless-ed are you, gracious God,



creator of heav-en and earth.



We give you thanks and praise


through Jesus Christ your Son, our Lord.



For he is the living wa-ter that quenches all thirst.



There-fore with angels and archangels

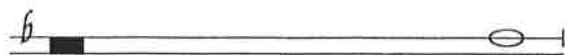

we raise our voices to you in praise



to proclaim the glo-ry of your name.


Lent IV



Bless-ed are you, gracious God,


creator of heav-en and earth.

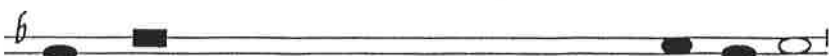

We give you thanks and praise



through Jesus Christ your Son, our Lord,



who came among us as one of us,


to lead all peoples out of darkness



into the light of faith.



For we were born in dark-ness as slaves of sin,



but through the waters of baptism


we are re-born as your chil-dren.



There-fore with angels and archangels



we raise our voices to you in praise



to pro-claim the glo - ry of your name.



Bless-ed are you, gracious God,


creator of heav-en and earth.



We give you thanks and praise



through Jesus Christ your Son, our Lord,



who wept at the grave of La-zar-us his friend,


and raised him from the dead



as a sign of the new life he came to bring.


In his love for us all he gives us


the holy mysteries of bap-tism and eu-char-ist,


and raises us up to e - ter - nal life.


There-fore with angels and archangels


we raise our voices to you in praise


to pro-claim the glo-ry of your name.

Lent 2A Blessed are you, gracious God,
creator of heaven and earth.
We give you thanks and praise
through Jesus Christ your Son, our Lord
who came not to condemn the world
but to save it in love,
and through the waters of baptism
gives us new birth from above
that we may behold your kingdom.
Therefore with angels and archangels
we raise our voices to you in praise
to proclaim the glory of your name.

Lent 3A Blessed are you, gracious God,
creator of heaven and earth.
We give you thanks and praise
through Jesus Christ your Son, our Lord.
For he is the living water gushing up to eternal life
and quenching all thirst.
Therefore with angels and archangels
we raise our voices to you in praise
to proclaim the glory of your name.

Lent 4A Blessed are you, gracious God,
creator of heaven and earth.
We give you thanks and praise
through Jesus Christ your Son, our Lord,
who came as one of us,
to lead all people out of darkness
into the light of faith.
For we were born in darkness as slaves of sin,
but through the waters of baptism
we are reborn as your children
whose eyes are opened to behold the One who heals us,
enabling us to see the light of your truth.
Therefore with angels and archangels
we raise our voices to you in praise
to proclaim the glory of your name.

Lent 5A Blessed are you, gracious God,
creator of heaven and earth.
We give you thanks and praise
through Jesus Christ your Son, our Lord,
who wept at the grave of Lazarus his friend,
and raised him from the dead
to reveal his power over death.
In his love for us all
he gives us the holy mysteries
of baptism and eucharist,
and raises us up to eternal life.
Therefore with angels and archangels
we raise our voices to you in praise
to proclaim the glory of your name.