

Authorised Liturgies

Liturgies authorized by the bishops for use in public services in the Diocese of Huron are the following:

- 1. The *Book of Common Prayer (BCP)* (1962) remains the official Prayer Book of the Anglican Church of Canada, and its use must not be denied our people.
- 2. The *Book of Alternative Services (BAS)* is the official alternative to the *Book of Common Prayer* and its use should not be denied our people.
- 3. Supplementary Eucharistic Prayers, Services of the Word and Night Prayer (2001) is to be freely used in parishes seeking to enrich their liturgical life.
- 4. The liturgies contained in the *Book of Occasional Celebrations* (Canada) are authorized for use in public liturgies in the Diocese of Huron.
- 5. Evangelical Lutheran Worship (*ELW*) (2006) is the official worship book of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada, with whom the Anglican Church of Canada is in full communion. It is regularly used in shared ministries of our two Churches. The rites for Morning and Evening Prayer as well as the Holy Eucharist as well as the full complement of its musical resources are available for use. Continued and extended use should not exclude or replace either the *Book of Alternative Services* or the *Book of Common Prayer*
- 6. Except in shared ministries Baptisms will continue to be celebrated according to the *Book of Common Prayer* or the *Book of Alternative Services*.
- 7. Because the *Book of Alternative Services* comes as the fruition of a long period of liturgical experimentation in our church, liturgical rites, previously authorized for use in the diocese, are no longer authorized. These rites include the following:
 - i) The *Canadian Anglican Liturgical Series*, including the Third Canadian Eucharist, the Marriage Rite and the Burial Rite.
 - ii) The Church of England Liturgical Series 1, 2 and 3, and the Alternative Services Book of the Church of England.
- 8.. The *Eucharistic Canons of the Church* as compiled in 2013 is authorized for use in the Diocese of Huron.





- 9. Use of prayer books, or Eucharistic Canons from other Anglican provinces or Liturgies from other Anglican Provinces in languages other than English must also be authorized by the Bishop's Office.
- 10. Exceptions to the above ruling are as follows:
 - i) Because the *Book of Alternative Services* does not contain an Induction Rite, the alternative is supplied in consultation with the Bishop's Office.
 - ii) The provisions for combining baptism and/or confirmation with the eucharist, according to the *Book of Common Prayer* are found in Section 2.
 - iii) The Third Collect appointed for Good Friday, p.174 of the *Book of Common Prayer*, is no longer authorized for use in the Diocese of Huron and will be omitted from the liturgy.
- 11. The bishops strongly support the recommendation of General Synod 1983 that the ecumenical lectionary contained in the *Book of Alternative Services* or the *Revised Common Lectionary* (1992) authorized by General Synod 1995 be used, even where the usual Sunday liturgy is from the *Book of Common Prayer*. The only authorized lectionaries are those contained in the *Book of Common Prayer*, the *Book of Alternative Services*, and the *Revised Common Lectionary* (1992). Others may only be used with the approval of the Bishop's Office.

Following the authorization of General Synod 2025, the Thematic (Complementary) stream of lectionary readings in the *Revised Common Lectionary* (1992) is authorized for use with the following provisos:

- i) That preference continues to be given to the Semicontinuous stream of readings currently authorized; and
- ii) That a single stream of readings be chosen and used for the entire season after Pentecost.
- 12. No other rites except those listed here should be used without the express permission of the area bishop.