REPORT FROM THE LITURGY AND COMMON WORSHIP TASK FORCE

June A.D.2016

Immense progress has been made toward a *Book of Common Prayer 2019*.

Following January approval by the College of Bishops, seven working texts have been published for use in and by the Church:

- Collects of the Christian Year
- Three-Year Eucharistic Lectionary
- Daily Office Lectionary
- Holy Eucharist: Ancient Text
- Midday Prayer
- Compline
- Family Prayer

At the June 2016 Meeting of the College, these additional working texts will be proposed for adoption and church-wide use:

- Holy Matrimony
- Burial of the Dead
- Calendar of the Christian Year: An Introduction
- Calendar of Holy Days and (Optional) Commemorations
- Proper Prefaces for Commemorations

The Liturgy Task Force has also completed, but not yet sent forward, the special liturgies for Ash Wednesday, Palm Sunday and Maundy Thursday. Good Friday, Holy Saturday and Easter Vigil rites will, God willing, be considered this fall. In addition to these liturgies, the hope from sub-committees is that all additional working texts required for a 2019 *Book of Common Prayer* — with the exception of the Psalter — can be put before the January 2017 meeting of the College. The Psalter sub-committee continues its work and hopes its efforts will be ready for the 2019 Book.

Direct collaboration with the Task Force on Marriage, Family and the Single Life has been a significant part of Liturgy’s work in the proposal coming forward as the rite for Holy Matrimony.

Feedback on all the working texts now in use continues to be gathered and acknowledged ([liturgytaskforce@anglicanchurch.net](mailto:liturgytaskforce@anglicanchurch.net)). The plan of the Liturgy and Common Worship Task Force is to
focus our efforts in 2017 and 2018 on considering and incorporating this church-wide input as the Book of Common Prayer 2019 is finalized.

Respectfully submitted,
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ABSTRACT:

Immense progress has been made toward a Book of Common Prayer 2019. At the June 2016 Meeting of the College, these additional working texts will be proposed for adoption and church-wide use: Holy Matrimony, Burial of the Dead, Calendar of the Christian Year: An Introduction, Calendar of Holy Days and (Optional) Commemorations, Proper Prefaces for Commemorations. Feedback, in preparation for a Book of Common Prayer 2019, continues to be received and acknowledged at liturgytaskforce@anglicanchurch.net.