

# THE EUCHARIST

*also called*  
HOLY COMMUNION

in Ordinary Time

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## The Gathering

*Notices may be given as part of an informal welcome. Alternatively, they may be given at a later point in the service.* (we stand)

### OPENING HYMN

### THE GREETING

In the name of the Father, and of the Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.      **All: Amen.**  
The Lord be with you      **All: and also with you.**

### PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

*One of the following, or other seasonal words, will introduce the prayer of confession:*

My brothers and sisters,  
as we prepare to celebrate the presence of Christ  
in word and sacrament,  
let us call to mind and confess our sins.

*or*

God so loved the world  
that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ  
to save us from our sins, to be our advocate in heaven,  
and to bring us to eternal life.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith,  
firmly resolved to keep God's commandments  
and to live in love and peace with all.

**All: Almighty God, our heavenly Father,  
we have sinned against you  
and against our neighbour  
In thought and word and deed,  
through negligence, through weakness,  
through our own deliberate fault.  
We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins.**

**For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
who died for us,  
forgive us all that is past  
and grant that we may serve you  
in newness of life  
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

Almighty God,  
who forgives all who truly repent,  
have mercy upon you,  
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,  
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,  
and keep you in life eternal;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All: Amen.**

## **GLORIA IN EXCELSIS**

*Words may vary slightly if a musical setting is used. On some occasions a metrical / hymn version of the Gloria may be sung.*

**All: Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.  
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most high,  
Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

Let us pray

*A brief period of silent prayer is concluded with*

**THE COLLECT OF THE DAY All: Amen.**

*(we remain standing)*

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## The Liturgy of the Word

### READING

(we sit)

*One or two readings from scripture precede the Gospel reading.*

*At the end of each reading*

**Reader:** This is the word of the Lord.

**All:** Thanks be to God.

### GRADUAL HYMN / SONG

(we stand)

### GOSPEL READING

(we remain standing)

*When the Gospel is announced*

The Lord be with you **All: and also with you.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to N.

**All:** Glory to you, O Lord.

*At the end of the Gospel reading*

**Reader:** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**All:** Praise to you, O Christ.

### SERMON / REFLECTION

(we sit)

### THE CREED

(we stand)

**All:** We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God, begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit  
and the Virgin Mary and was made man.  
For our sake he was crucified  
under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory  
to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son  
is worshipped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic  
and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism  
for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

*(we sit or kneel)*

*This, or another suitable, response may be used during the prayers:*

Lord, in your mercy,

**All:** hear our prayer.

*At the end* Merciful Father,

**All:** accept these prayers for the sake of your Son,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

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## The Liturgy of the Sacrament

### THE PEACE

(we stand)

*One of the following, or other suitable words, may be used to introduce the Peace.*

Christ is our Peace.

He has reconciled us to God,  
in one body by the cross.

We meet in his name and share his peace.

**or**

We are the body of Christ.

In the one Spirit we were all baptised  
into one body.

Let us then pursue all that makes for peace  
and builds up our common life.

**or**

Blessed are the peacemakers:  
they shall be called children of God.

We meet in the name of Christ  
and share his peace.

**All:** The peace of the Lord be always with you  
**and also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*You are invited to exchange a sign or gesture of peace with those around you, saying the words, "The Peace of the Lord be with you", to one another.*

### OFFERTORY HYMN / SONG

***During the offertory hymn members of the congregation may carry forward the gifts of bread and wine to be offered, blessed and received at the altar.***

***People's gifts of money are also collected and offered to God. Visitors may like to use the GIFT AID envelopes, filling in the required details as shown, so as to make their giving tax-efficient. If you would like to know more about regular giving to the church, contactless giving, and /or giving directly through your bank, then please do ask one of our church officers after the service.***

## THE PREPARATION OF THE TABLE AND THE TAKING OF THE BREAD AND WINE

*One of the following prayers may be used.*

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation:  
through your goodness  
we have this bread to set before you,  
which earth has given  
and human hands have made.  
It will become for us the bread of life.

**All: Blessed be God for ever.**

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation:  
through your goodness  
we have this wine to set before you,  
fruit of the vine and work of human hands.  
It will become for us the cup of salvation.

**All: Blessed be God for ever.**

**or**

Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power,  
the glory, the splendour, and the majesty;  
for everything in heaven and on earth  
is yours.

**All: All things come from you,  
and of your own do we give you.**

## THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

*One of the Church's Eucharistic Prayers will be used to give thanks for all God's gifts, for the gift of Christ's life, death and resurrection, and to bless the bread and wine we shall receive:*

### PRAYER A

The Lord be with you  
**All: and also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**All: We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All: It is right to give thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, it is our duty and our joy,  
at all times and in all places  
to give you thanks and praise,  
holy Father, heavenly King,  
almighty and eternal God,  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

*A Preface is used and the prayer continues...*

... for ever praising you and *saying / singing*:

**All:** Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
(*may be sung*) heaven and earth are full of your glory,  
hosanna in the highest.

**Blessed is he who comes  
in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

*The prayer continues....*

**All:** Great is the mystery of faith:  
Christ has died;  
Christ is risen;  
Christ will come again.

**or**

**All:** Christ is the bread of life:  
When we eat this bread and drink this cup,  
we proclaim your death, Lord Jesus,  
until you come in glory.

*The prayer continues....*

...in songs of everlasting praise:

**All:** Blessing and honour and glory and power  
be yours for ever and ever. Amen.

*The service continues with the Lord's Prayer*

or

## PRAYER B

**All:** The Lord be with you  
**and also with you.**  
Lift up your hearts.  
**All:** **We lift them to the Lord.**  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**All:** **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

Father, we give you thanks and praise  
through your beloved Son,  
Jesus Christ, your living Word,  
through whom you have created all things;  
who was sent by you in your great  
goodness to be our Saviour.

*The prayer continues...*

**All:** ...evermore praising you and *saying / singing:*  
**Holy, holy, holy Lord,**  
(*may be sung*) **God of power and might,**  
**heaven and earth are full of your glory,**  
**hosanna in the highest.**  
**Blessed is he who comes**  
**in the name of the Lord.**  
**Hosanna in the highest.**

*The prayer continues....*

**All:** Great is the mystery of faith:  
**Christ has died;**  
**Christ is risen;**  
**Christ will come again.**

or

Christ is the bread of life:  
**All:** **When we eat this bread**  
**and drink this cup,**  
**we proclaim your death, Lord Jesus,**  
**until you come in glory.**

*The prayer continues...*



...all honour and glory be yours,  
almighty Father, for ever and ever,

**All: Amen.**

*The service continues with the Lord's Prayer*

or

## **PRAYER H**

**All:** The Lord be with you  
**and also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**All: We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All: It is right to give thanks and praise.**

It is right to praise you,  
Father, Lord of all creation;  
in your love you made us for yourself.

When we turned away you did not reject us,  
but came to meet us in your Son.

**All: You embraced us as your children  
and welcomed us to sit and eat with you.**

In Christ you shared our life  
that we might live in him and he in us.

**All: He opened his arms of love upon the cross  
and made for all the perfect sacrifice for sin.**

On the night he was betrayed,  
at supper with his friends  
he took bread and gave you thanks:  
he broke it and gave it to them, saying:  
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;  
do this in remembrance of me.

**All: Father, we do this in remembrance of him;  
his body is the bread of life.**

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine,  
he gave you thanks, and said:

Drink this, all of you;  
this is my blood of the new covenant,  
which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins.  
Do this in remembrance of me.

**All: Father, we do this in remembrance of him;  
his blood is shed for all.**

As we proclaim his death  
and celebrate his rising in glory,  
send your Holy Spirit that this bread  
and this wine may be to us  
the body and blood of your dear Son.

**All: As we eat and drink these holy gifts  
make us one in Christ, our risen Lord.**

With your whole Church  
throughout the world  
we offer you this sacrifice of praise  
and lift our voices  
to join the eternal song of heaven:

**All: Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory,  
Hosanna in the highest.**

*(may be sung)*

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

*(we sit or kneel)*

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray

**All: 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.  
Lead us not into temptation  
but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and for ever.  
Amen.**

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

We break this bread  
to share in the body of Christ.

**All:            Though we are many, we are one body,  
                  because we all share in one bread.**

## AGNUS DEI

*The Agnus Dei may be said or sung, during which those in the sanctuary may receive communion. The words may vary slightly if sung.*

**All:            Jesus, Lamb of God:  
                  have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, bearer of our sins:  
have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, redeemer of the world:  
grant us your peace.**

## GIVING OF COMMUNION

Draw near with faith.  
Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ  
which he gave for you,  
and his blood which he shed for you.  
Eat and drink in remembrance  
that he died for you,  
and feed on him in your hearts by faith  
with thanksgiving.

**or**

God's holy gifts, for God's holy people.

**All:            Jesus Christ is holy,  
                  Jesus Christ is Lord,  
                  to the glory of God the Father.**

*You will be invited to come forward to receive the consecrated bread and wine of Communion. Any who do not ordinarily receive, or would rather not, and those children still to be prepared for Communion, are invited to come forward for a blessing. During the distribution of communion, hymns / music may be played.*

## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

*After all have received communion, the altar is cleared and a brief silence is kept before our final prayers.*

*A post communion prayer, set for the day, may be said.*

**All: Almighty God, we thank you  
for feeding us with the body and blood  
of your Son Jesus Christ.  
Through him we offer you  
our souls and bodies  
to be a living sacrifice.  
Send us out in the power of your Spirit  
to live and work  
to your praise and glory.  
Amen.**

*or*

**We thank you, Lord,  
that you have fed us in this sacrament,  
united us with Christ,  
and given us a foretaste  
of the heavenly banquet  
prepared for all peoples. Amen.**

*Notices may be given, Banns of Marriage be read and news shared.*

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## **The Dismissal**

*We stand to receive God's blessing, in the form of one  
of the following. On occasions an alternative blessing may be chosen to link with a specific theme, or  
to mark a Saint's Day.*

The peace of God,  
which passes all understanding,  
keep your hearts and minds  
in the knowledge and love of God,  
and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord;  
and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always. **All: Amen.**

**or**

Christ, who has nourished us  
with himself the living bread,  
make you one in praise and love,  
and raise you up on the last day;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.

**All: Amen.**

**or**

The God of hope  
fill you with all joy and peace in believing;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.

**All: Amen.**

## **FINAL HYMN**

Go in the peace of Christ.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**or**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**All: In the name of Christ. Amen.**

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