Welcome to Holy Communion



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Gathering Together

We come together, today and every day, with our own joys and sorrows, not as a perfect group of people, but as a community of forgiven sinners who try to follow God and love each other day by day.

WELCOME

HYMN Please stand

Grace, mercy, and peace, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

This is the day that the Lord has made. We will rejoice and be glad in it.

GATHERING PRAYER

Almighty God,
To whom all hearts are open,
All desires known,
And from whom no secrets are hidden:
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
By the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
That we may perfectly love you,
And worthily magnify your holy name;
Through Christ our Lord.
Amen.



Confessing Sins and Receiving Forgiveness

There is <u>nothing</u> we have done that is so awful that God cannot forgive us if we are truly sorry. We are also told to forgive those who hurt us. The priest declares God's promise of forgiveness And Gloria is our joyful shout of gratitude.

The minister introduces the words of confession and we may use a time of silence before saying:

Most merciful God,
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
We confess that we have sinned
in thought, word, and deed.
We have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.
In your mercy
Forgive what we have been,
Help us to amend what we are,
And direct what we shall be;
That we may do justly,
Love mercy,
And walk humbly with you, our God.
Amen

Or, with suitable words, the Kyrie Eleison may be said or sung:

Lord have mercy,
Christ have mercy,
Lord have mercy,
Lord have mercy
Lord have mercy

The priest declares God's forgiveness.



We respond by singing or saying

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.

The minister prays the prayer set for the day, THE COLLECT

Hearing God's Word for us Today

God has made himself known to people through the ages. Now we hear His Word through the Scripture readings and the sermon. The sermon is not telling us what to do, but helps us to digest God's Word and take it into our lives.

THE OLD OR NEW TESTAMENT READING Please sit

At the end of the reading: This is the word of the Lord Thanks be to God

HYMN Please stand

During the hymn the Gospel is carried reverently to the centre of the congregation: God's word is to be at the heart of our community. We remain standing as it is read.

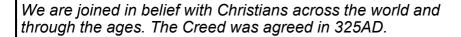
THE GOSPEL

The Lord be with you And also with you Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to...... Glory be to you, O Lord

This is the Gospel of the Lord **Praise be to you O Christ**

THE SERMON Please sit

THE CREED Please stand



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 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.

PRAYING FOR THE WORLD Please kneel / sit

The response each time may be: Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer**



Merciful Father,

Accept these prayers,
for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

THE PEACE

These or other words may be used:

Hearing God's word draws us to get involved in the world and seek justice, peace, and healing. Praying is doing something and everyone can do it. Prayer changes the world and us.

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
The peace of the Lord be always with you
And also with you

We exchange with our neighbour a sign of peace a smile, using BSL, or saying 'Peace be with you'

SHARING THE MEAL

The altar is prepared as God's table.

God is the host and we are his guests. The nourishment we are offered is Jesus himself.

At the centre of our faith is a person—Jesus.

At the centre of our worship is a meal—the Eucharist.

Our healing is around this table, together.

OFFERTORY HYMN

During the hymn the gifts of the people are gathered and presented: bread, wine, and gifts of money for the work of the church. As the altar is prepared, the priest offers all the gifts to God and may use these words:

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this bread to offer, Which earth has given and human hands have made. It will become for us the bread of life.

Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation.
Through your goodness we have this wine to offer,
Fruit of the vine and work of human hands.
It will become our spiritual drink.

Blessed be God for ever.

Or these words:
With this bread that we bring
We shall remember Jesus.
With this wine that we bring
We shall remember Jesus.
Bread for his body, wine for his blood,
Gifts from God to his table we bring.
We shall remember Jesus.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you

And also with you

Lift up your hearts

We lift them to the Lord

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

It is right to give thanks and praise.



The priest continues the prayer, praising God. Then we say or sing:

Holy, holy, Lord.
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 priest consecrates the bread and wine as we remember what Jesus did for us. The prayer may include:

Christ has died Christ is risen Christ will come again.

The prayer ends with:

Amen

Or:

Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours for ever and ever.

Amen.

Let us pray with confidence to the Father, as our Saviour has taught us:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, the



We break this bread to share in the body of Christ Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

We sing or say either:

power and the glory, for ever and ever.

Amen.

Lamb of God you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

Or:

Jesus Lamb of God,
Have mercy on us.
Jesus, bearer of our sins,
Have mercy on us.
Jesus, redeemer of the world,
Grant us peace.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

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

Jesus Christ is holy,

Jesus Christ is Lord,

To the glory of God the Father



Or:

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.

Amen.

If you are used to receiving communion in any Christian church you are most welcome to receive here. If you would prefer a blessing please come forward and keep your head bowed.

You may wish to receive the bread and wine together by priest's intinction: The body and blood of Christ **Amen**

Or separately by taking the common cup: The body of Christ broken for you. **Amen** The blood of Christ shed for you. **Amen**.

COMMUNION HYMN and / or choir anthem.



PRAYERS AFTER COMMUNION

The priest may say a prayer and then we may say either:

Almighty God, We thank you for feeding us with body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

Or.

Father of all we give you thanks and praise that when we were still far off you met us in your Son and brought us home. Dying and living, he declared your love, Gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory. May we who share Christ's body live his risen life; We who drink his cup bring life to others: We whom the Spirit lights give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, So we and all your children shall be free. And the whole earth live to praise your name; Through Christ our Lord, Amen.

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SENDING OUT

The service ends with us being sent out into the world. Christian life and faith does not start and stop at the church door: the way we choose to live can make the world a better (or worse!) place.

THE BLESSING Please stand

The Lord be with you And also with you

The Lord bless you and keep you, the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you, the Lord look kindly on you and give you peace; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, + the Son and the Holy Spirit be with you and remain with you this day and for ever.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord In the name of Christ. Amen.

HYMN

Please stay for tea / coffee (no charge).

If you are visiting us please come and say hello and let us have your contact details.

We would love to get to know you.