

Holy Communion



Wednesday 10.00am

Music

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Gathering

We gather now as the Body of Christ whether near or far. We come as members of one family in God, united in spirit and bound together in love.

Let us pray.

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.

Prayers of Penitence

Our Lord Jesus Christ said: The first commandment is this: 'Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is the only Lord. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.'

The second is this: 'Love your neighbour as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

Amen. Lord, have mercy.

Confession

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. May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life Amen.

Collect

The Liturgy of the Word

The First Reading

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

The Gospel

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to N. Glory to you, O Lord.

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

Reflection

Prayers of Intercession

Lord, in your mercy Hear our prayer

Merciful Father, accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Preparation

Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the splendour and the majesty; for everything in heaven and on earth is yours. All things come from you and of your own do we give you

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 him thanks and praise.

Almighty God we thank you that you invite each of usto share in this holy meal. On the night that Jesus was betrayed, he gathered his friends to show them the full extent of his love. His greatest gift would be his life given for each of us. Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and saying:

Holy, 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.

(We all lift the bread and wine brought to this communion)
Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness;
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit,
and according to your holy will,
these gifts of bread and wine

may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;

(We each take the bread we have brought to this service) Having given thanks for the food, Jesus took bread, broke it, gave it and said: Take, eat; this is my body, which is given for you: do this in remembrance of me.

(We each take the wine we have brought to this service)

Jesus then thanked God for the wine, took the cup, gave it and said: Drink this all of you; this is my blood, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this as often as you drink it in remembrance of me.

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross, his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world; rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate this memorial of our redemption. We bring before you this bread and this cup and thank you for counting us worthy, to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup, so that we, in the company of Mary Magdalene and all the saints, may praise and glorify you for ever, through him from whom all good things come, Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father; for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

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 power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the bread together with all those sharing this meal

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.

The sharing of Communion



Let us draw together in faith. Let us receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for us, and his blood which he shed for us. Let us eat and drink in remembrance that he died for us, and feed on him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

After Communion

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.** Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us and blessing 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.

Blessing

May the beauty of God be reflected in your eyes, the love of God be reflected in your hands, the wisdom of God be reflected in your words, and the knowledge of God flow from your heart, that all might see, and seeing, believe And the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit be upon you and all whom you love this day and for evermore. Amen.

Let us bless the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Music

Alternative Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord is here. **His Spirit is with us.**

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.

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. 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. **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. **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. **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. 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 voice to join the eternal song of heaven: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

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