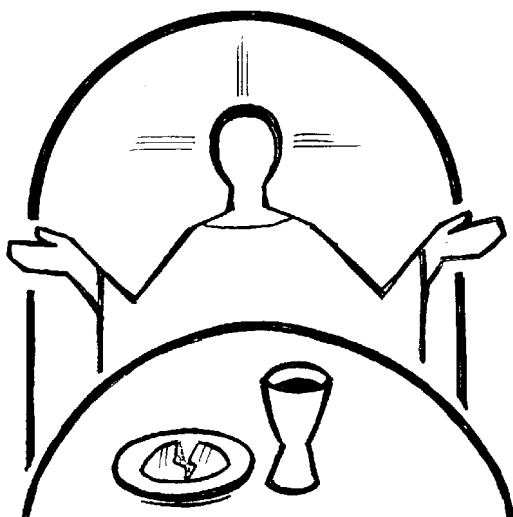


ST PETER'S CHURCH, DARWEN

EUCHARIST FOR THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY



A VERY WARM WELCOME

We hope that you will find something of
the presence of God in our worship

Gathering to worship God

Greeting

Let us worship God: Father, Son and
Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

The Lord be with you

All: and also with you.

This is the day that the Lord has made.

All: We will rejoice and be glad in it.

The Presider welcomes everyone and introduces the Eucharist.

Opening Prayer

**All: Lord, direct our thoughts, and
teach us to pray.
Lift up our hearts to worship you
in spirit and in truth,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

Saying sorry to God

Confession

God our Father,
we come to you in sorrow for our sins.
For turning away from you,
and ignoring your will for our lives;
Father, forgive us:

All: save us and help us.

For behaving just as we wish,
without thinking of you;
Father, forgive us:

All: save us and help us.

For failing you by what we do
and think and say;
Father, forgive us:

All: save us and help us.

For letting ourselves be drawn
away from you
by temptations in the world about us;
Father, forgive us:

All: save us and help us.

For living as if we were ashamed
to belong to your Son;
Father, forgive us:

All: save us and help us.

The Presider says the words of forgiveness.

Almighty God, who is all forgiveness,
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.

The prayer of the day is said.

The Collect: Prayer of the Day

*The Presider introduces a period of silent
prayer with the words,
'Let us pray.'*

Creator God, you made us all in your image:
may we discern you in all that we see,
and serve you in all that we do;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Hearing and Responding to the Word of God

We listen to the reading(s)

First Reading: Genesis 18.20-32

Then the Lord said,

‘How great is the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah and how very grave their sin! I must go down and see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me, and if not, I will know.’

So the men turned from there and went toward Sodom, while Abraham remained standing before the Lord.

Then Abraham came near and said, 'Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city; will you then sweep away the place and not forgive it for the fifty righteous who are in it? Far be it from you to do such a thing, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?'

And the Lord said, 'If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will forgive the whole place for their sake.'

Abraham answered, 'Let me take it upon myself to speak to my lord, I who am but dust and ashes. Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?'

And he said, 'I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there.'

Again he spoke to him, 'Suppose forty are found there.' He answered, 'For the sake of forty I will not do it.'

Then he said, 'Oh, do not let my lord be angry if I speak. Suppose thirty are found there.' He answered, 'I will not do it, if I find thirty there.'

He said, 'Let me take it upon myself to speak to my lord. Suppose twenty are found there.' He answered, 'For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it.'

Then he said, 'Oh, do not let my lord be angry if I speak just once more.

Suppose ten are found there.'

He answered,

'For the sake of ten I will not destroy it.'

This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Second Reading: Colossians 2.6-15

As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to walk in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

Watch out that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according

to the elemental spirits of the world, and not according to Christ.

For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority.

In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by the removal of the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ; when you were buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead.

And when you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands.

He set this aside, nailing it to the cross. He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it.

This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Then we stand with the Presider for the Gospel reading

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

All: Glory to you, O Lord

Gospel: Luke 11.1-13

He was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, 'Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples.'

So he said to them, 'When you pray, say:
'Father, may your name be revered as
holy.

May your kingdom come.
Give us each day our daily bread.

And forgive us our sins,
for we ourselves forgive everyone
indebted to us
And do not bring us to the time of trial.'

And he said to them, 'Suppose one of
you has a friend, and you go to him at
midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend
me three loaves of bread, for a friend of
mine has arrived, and I have nothing to
set before him.'

And he answers from within, 'Do not
bother me; the door has already been
locked, and my children are with me in
bed; I cannot get up and give you
anything.'

‘I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything out of friendship, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs’.

‘So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. Is there anyone among you who, if your child asked for a fish, would give a snake instead of a fish? Or if the child asked for an egg, would give a scorpion?

‘If you, then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!’.

At the end of the Gospel reading

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Please sit for **THE TALK**

Please stand to say together for an
Affirmation of Faith

Do you believe and trust in God the
Father,
source of all being and life,
the one for whom we exist?

All: We believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Son,
who took our human nature,
died for us and rose again?

All: We believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit,
who gives life to the people of God
and makes Christ known in the world?

All: We believe and trust in him.

This is the faith of the Church.

All: This is our faith

**We believe and trust in one God,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**

Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

This response is used:

Lord, in your mercy

All: hear our prayer.

And at the end:

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

Please stand for

The Peace

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

We meet in the name of Christ and
share his peace.
The peace of the Lord be always with
you.

All: and also with you.

Eucharistic Prayer

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 always right to give you thanks
God our Creator,
loving and faithful, holy and strong.
You made us and the whole universe,
and filled your world with life.

All: Holy, Holy, Holy.

You sent your Son to live among us,
Jesus our Saviour, Mary's child.
He suffered on the cross;
he died to save us from our sins;
he rose in glory from the dead.

All Holy, Holy, Holy.

You send your Spirit to bring new life
to the world
and clothe us with power from on high.
And so we join the angels
to celebrate and say:

**All: 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**

Father, on the night before he died,
Jesus shared a meal with his friends.
He took the bread, and thanked you.
He broke it, and gave it to them,
saying:

Take and eat; this is my body given for you.

Do this to remember me.

After the meal, Jesus took the cup of wine.

He thanked you, and gave it to them, saying:

Drink this, all of you.

This is my blood, the new promise of God's unfailing love.

Do this to remember me.

Jesus Christ has died.

All: Jesus Christ has died.

Jesus Christ is risen.

All: Jesus Christ is risen.

Jesus Christ will come again.

All: Jesus Christ will come again.

Father, as we bring this bread and
wine,
and remember his death and
resurrection,
send your Holy Spirit,
that we who share these gifts
may be fed by Christ's body and his
blood.

Pour your Spirit on us
that we may love one another,
work for the healing of the earth,
and share the good news of Jesus,
as we wait for his coming in glory.

For honour and praise belong to you
Father,
with Jesus your Son, and the Holy
Spirit:
one God for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

Please sit for

The Lord's Prayer

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.**

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.**

All say:

**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.**

Giving of Holy Communion

The Presider says

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes
away the sin

of the world.

Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

***All:* Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word and I shall be healed.**

God's holy gifts for God's holy people.
All are invited to God's table.

*Everyone makes their way to the altar,
to receive Holy Communion or a blessing
Gluten-free wafers are available –
please ask.*

*When all have received Holy
Communion,
We pray together*

The Post Communion Prayer

God of our pilgrimage, you have led us to
the living water:
refresh and sustain us as we go forward
on our journey,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Eternal God
we thank you for nourishing us with
these
heavenly gifts;
may our communion strengthen us
in faith,
build us up in hope,
and make us grow in love
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord
Amen.**

Please remain seated for
THE NOTICES.

Going out to serve God

To a troubled world

All: peace from Christ.

To a searching world

All: love from Christ.

To a waiting world

All: hope from Christ.

The Blessing

The God of hope fill you with all joy
and peace in

Believing.

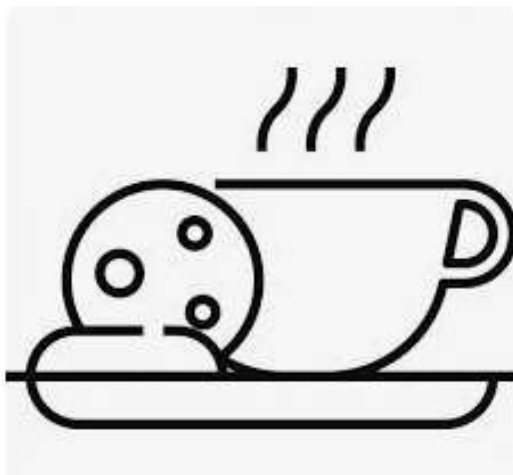
And the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit
be amongst you
and remain with you and those you
love always.

All: Amen.

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

The Minister departs

*Please stay and join us for a drink and a
biscuit and a chat together.*



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