

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, DARWEN

EUCHARIST FOR THE EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

THE GATHERING

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN

THE GREETING AND WELCOME

✠ In the name of the Father,
and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All Amen.

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

All and also with you.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

God the Father, forgives us in Christ and heals us by the Holy Spirit.
Let us there put away all anger and bitterness,
all slander and malice, and confess our sins to God our redeemer.

**All 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.**

or

We have too often exchanged the worship
of the living God for idols of our own imaging.
As we gather to offer our praises
to the holy and undivided Trinity,
and to worship him in spirit and in truth,
let us call to mind our sins.

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. Amen.**

THE ABSOLUTION

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.**

THE GLORIA

Sung Gloria:

Tune: At the Name of Jesus

All **Glory in the highest to the God of heaven!
Peace to all your people through the earth be given!
Mighty God and Father, thanks and praise we bring,
singing Hallelujah to our heavenly king.**

**Jesus Christ is risen, God the Father's Son!
With the Holy Spirit you are Lord alone!**

Lamb once killed for sinners, all our guilt to bear,
show us now your mercy, now receive our prayer.

Christ the world's true Saviour, high and holy One,
seated now and reigning from your Father's throne:
Lord and God, we praise you! Highest heaven adores:
in the Father's glory, all the praise be yours!

THE COLLECT

The President introduces a period of silent prayer with the words:

Let us pray.

Lord God, your Son left the riches of heaven
and became poor for our sake: when we prosper save us from pride,
when we are needy save us from despair, that we may trust in you
alone;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE READINGS

First Reading: Genesis 15.1-6

After these things the word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision,

‘Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.’

But Abram said,

‘O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?’

And Abram said, ‘You have given me no offspring, so a slave born in my house is to be my heir.’

But the word of the Lord came to him,

‘This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir.’

He brought him outside and said,

‘Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them.’

Then he said to him, ‘So shall your descendants be.’

And he believed the Lord, and the Lord reckoned it to him as righteousness.

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Second Reading: Hebrews 11.1-3, 8-16

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.

By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance, and he set out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise.

For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. By faith, with Sarah's involvement, he received power of procreation, even though he was too old, because he considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, 'as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore.'

All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better homeland, that is, a heavenly one.

Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

THE GRADUAL HYMN

THE GOSPEL READING

Alleluia, alleluia.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, one God, who was, and who is, and who is to come.

All Alleluia.

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

All Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: Luke 12.32-40

Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

'Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night or near dawn and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

'But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour'.

At the end of the Gospel, we say:

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

THE SERMON

THE 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.**

or THE CREED

**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.**

THE PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

The following or another response will be used:

Lord, in your mercy
All hear our prayer.

At the end we say together:

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

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

Please stand.

THE PEACE

Peace to you from God our heavenly Father.
Peace from his Son Jesus Christ who is our peace.

Peace from the Holy Spirit, the life-giver.
The peace of the triune God be always with you:
All and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

THE OFFERTORY HYMN

THE OFFERTORY PRAYER

All 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.
Amen.

THE PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR

All Holy God, holy and strong, holy and immortal,
give us the bread of everlasting life,
and make us branches of the true vine.
Amen.

or

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.**

THE 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.**

Sung Eucharist Sanctus:

All **Holy, holy, holy is the Lord,
holy is the Lord God almighty!
Holy, holy, holy is the Lord,
holy is the Lord God almighty!
Who was and is, and is to come;
holy, holy, holy is the Lord.**

**Blessed, blessed, blessed is he who comes,
blessed is he comes in the Lord's name.**

**Blessed, blessed, blessed is he who comes,
blessed is he comes in the Lord's name.
Hosanna in the heights of heav'n.
Blessed, blessed, blessed is the Lord.**

*The president recalls the Last Supper
and one of these acclamations may be used.*

Great is the mystery of faith:

All **Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again.**

or -

Jesus Christ is Lord:

All Lord, by your cross and resurrection
you have set us free.
You are the Saviour of the world,
You are the Saviour of the world.

*The president continues with the prayer and leads into the
doxology, to which all respond:*

All Amen.

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.

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.

THE AGNUS DEI

Sung Eucharist Agnus Dei:

Tune: Repton

All O Lamb of God, come cleanse our hearts
and take our sin away.

O Lamb of God, your grace impart,
and let our guilty fear depart,
have mercy, Lord, we pray,
have mercy, Lord, we pray.

O Lamb of God, our lives restore,
our guilty souls release.
Into our lives your Spirit pour
and let us live for evermore
in perfect heav'nly peace,
in perfect heav'nly peace.

THE INVITATION TO 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.

All Amen.

or

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.

THE GIVING OF COMMUNION

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Strengthen for service, Lord, the hands that have taken holy things;
may the ears which have heard your word
be deaf to clamour and dispute;
may the tongues which have sung your praise be free from deceit;
may the eyes which have seen the tokens of your love
shine with the light of hope;
and may the bodies which have been fed with your body
be refreshed with the fullness of your life; glory to you for ever.

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

THE NOTICES AND FINAL HYMN

THE BLESSING

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 remains with you always. **All Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

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