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SPITALGATE

with Earlesfield

During
Ordinary time



A Time
to Change
Together

Welcome to the Parish Church of St John the Evangelist

St John's, Spitalgate with Earlesfield is committed to expressing the love of God by welcoming all people and maintaining a lively, sustainable, and faithful Christian presence in South Grantham.

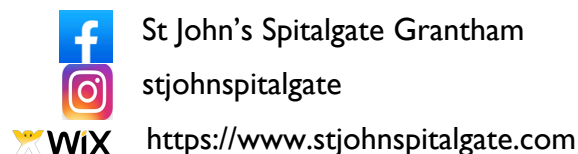
From the earliest days of the Church, Christians have remembered Jesus' Last Supper by breaking bread and sharing the cup in obedience to his command: "Do this in remembrance of me." As Anglicans, we believe that Christ is truly present in the Eucharist. Therefore, we celebrate this holy mystery with reverence by proclaiming his death, rejoicing in his valiant Resurrection and glorious Ascension, and awaiting in hope his coming again as we offer God the beauty of holiness through our worship, music, and liturgy.

We welcome all Christians who receive Holy Communion in their own churches to do so at this church. If you do not wish to receive Holy Communion you are invited to come forward for a blessing. If you wish to receive a blessing, please bring this booklet with you.

If you require gluten-free provision, please let one of the servers or sides-people know before the service begins.

Toilet facilities are available and are situated at the northwest end towards the church hall.

To enable our worship to be uninterrupted, please ensure all mobile phones and pagers are switched off before and during the service.



Large print copies of this booklet are available. Please ask the Stewards.

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Please leave it in the church after the service.*

The Gathering

Opening Hymn

We **stand** to sing the opening hymn which is in the hymn book. Please follow the hymn numbers displayed on the board.

The Greeting

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.

The President greets the people.

Collect for Purity

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.**

Prayers of Penitence

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.

*We remain **standing** and keep **silence** together.*

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.**

Kyrie Eleison

We sing with the Choir:

**Kyrie Eleison
Christe Eleison
Kyrie Eleison**

**Lord have mercy
Christ have mercy
Lord have mercy**

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

*We remain **standing** to sing the Gloria.*

**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 Collect

The President introduces the Collect of the day.

Let us pray.

Brief silence is kept following which the collect is said or sung, and the congregation may respond:

All Amen.

All sit.

The Liturgy of the Word

Old Testament Reading

At the end of the reading:

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

New Testament Reading

At the end of the reading:

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

All stand.

The Holy Gospel

*The choir sings the Alleluia to which
all may join at the emboldened words.*

All Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to

All Glory to you, O Lord.

At the end of the Gospel reading:

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

All sit for the sermon after the preacher's opening prayer.

The Creed

All stand.

Let us declare our faith in God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**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 of Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
one in Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
He came down from heaven,
by the power of the Holy Spirit
He was born of the Virgin Mary
and became man.
For our sake he was crucified
under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered, died and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in fulfilment of 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,
with the Father and the Son
he is worshipped and glorified,
he 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

*The President introduces the prayers following which all **sit** or **kneel**.*

After each petition the following words of response are used:

All Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

The prayers conclude with:

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

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

*All **stand**.*

We are the body of Christ. In the one Spirit we were all
baptized into one body.
Let us then pursue all that makes for peace and builds up
our common life.

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

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All may exchange a sign of peace.

The Offertory

We remain **standing** to sing the Offertory hymn.

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Your support will sustain all that we do for God's glory and for the life of this church.

Thank You.

Prayer over the Gifts

We remain **standing**.

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.

We remain **standing**.

The Eucharistic Prayer

All The Lord be with you
and also with you.

All Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

All Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
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.

By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh;
as your Son, born of the blessed Virgin,
he lived on earth and went about among us;
he opened wide his arms for us on the cross;
he put an end to death by dying for us;
and revealed the resurrection by rising to new life;
so he fulfilled your will and won for you a holy people.

Therefore with angels and archangels,
and with all the company of heaven,
we proclaim your great and glorious name,
for ever praising you and singing:

**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.**

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;

who, in the same night that he was
betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to his disciples,
saying:

TAKE, EAT; THIS IS MY BODY WHICH IS GIVEN FOR YOU;
DO THIS IN REMEMBRANCE OF ME.

In the same way, after supper
he took the cup and gave you thanks;
he gave it to them, saying:

DRINK THIS, ALL OF YOU; THIS IS MY BLOOD OF THE NEW
COVENANT, 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.

All

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died:

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again

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.

As we offer you this our sacrifice
of praise and thanksgiving,
we bring before you this bread and this cup
and we 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 the Blessed Virgin Mary,
St John our patron, and all the saints,
may praise and glorify you for ever,
through 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.

All

Amen.

All sit or kneel.

The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us.

All

**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

All

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 **sit** or **kneel** as the Choir sings the Agnus Dei.*

**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

All

Jesus is the Lamb of God,
who takes away the sin of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.
**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

All who are baptised and ordinarily receive Holy Communion in their own church are invited to receive here.

Those who do not wish to receive Holy Communion or who do not normally receive it are invited to come forward for a blessing.

Anthem

*The choir may sing an Anthem appointed for the day.
The congregation remain **seated** to sing the Communion hymn.*

Communion Hymn

Please refer to the hymn board for the hymn number.

Prayer after Communion

Let us pray.

We **stand** and keep silence together following which the
Post- Communion prayer is said or sung.

All

Amen.

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.**

Notices

We **sit** for the notices following which we **stand** to sing the Concluding Hymn.

Concluding Hymn

Please refer to the hymn board for the hymn number.

The Blessing & Dismissal

We remain **standing**.

All

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

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.

All

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

*We remain **standing** until the choir and the President has
processed out through the nave.*

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