# Holy Communion

This is the day that the Lord has made

*All*  **We shall rejoice and be glad in it.**

The Lord be with you

*All*  **and also with you.**

Let us pray

*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.**

The Confession

*All* **Lord God, we have sinned against you;  
we have done evil in your sight.  
We are sorry and repent.  
Have mercy on us according to your love.  
Wash away our wrongdoing**

**and cleanse us from our sin.  
Renew a right spirit within us  
and restore to us the joy of your salvation,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent,  
 have mercy upon us, pardon and deliver us from all our sins,  
 confirm and strengthen us in all goodness, and keep us in life eternal;  
 through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Collect

O God, who at this time taught the hearts of your faithful people,

by sending them the light of your Holy Spirit:

Grant us by the same Spirit to have right judgement in all things,

and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort;

through Jesus Christ our Lord **Amen.**

Reading  *John 1: 11 - 13.*

Jesus came to that which was his own, but his own did not receive him. Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God.

The Peace

God has made us one in Christ. He has set his seal upon us and as a pledge of what is to come, has given us his Spirit to dwell in our hearts. The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*All* **and also with you.**

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 forever. Amen.**

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.**

Remembering the last supper

When evening came, Jesus took his place at the table with his disciples. He said to them, “I have wanted so much to eat this Passover meal with you before I suffer!

While they were eating, Jesus took a piece of bread, gave a prayer of thanks, broke it, and gave it to his disciples. “Take and eat it,” he said; “this is my body.”

Then he took a cup, gave thanks to God, and gave it to them. “Drink it, all of you,” he said; “this is my blood, which seals God's covenant, my blood poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. I tell you, I will never again drink this wine until the day I drink the new wine with you in my Father's Kingdom.”

Then they sang a hymn and went out to the Mount of Olives.

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 the one bread.**

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.

*We take communion.*

The Prayers

Faithful God, who fulfilled the promises of Easter

by the sending of you Holy Spirit

and by opening to every race and nation the way of eternal life.

Open our lips by your Spirit, so that every tongue may tell of your glory

through Jesus Christ our Lord. **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.**

The Blessing

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*All*  **In the name of Christ. Amen.**