

# Holy Communion

Before the service begins please mute your microphone as the bells play and then a welcome is given by our Zoom warden for the service. Please join in at home singing with the hymns and joining in with the words in **bold type**. You will be invited to unmute your microphone for the Lord's Prayer and at the end of the service.

## The Gathering

Introit

### The Greeting

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

Additional words of welcome from the president may be given and the theme of the service introduced

### Prayers of Penitence

The deacon invites us to confess our sins using this prayer or the responses that follow

**Most merciful God,  
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
we confess that we have sinned  
in thought, word and deed.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart.  
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.  
In your mercy  
forgive what we have been,  
help us to amend what we are,  
and direct what we shall be;  
that we may do justly,  
love mercy,  
and walk humbly with you, our God.  
Amen.**

The president says words of forgiveness in a prayer of absolution.

**Amen.**

### Gloria in Excelsis

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9 Glo - ry, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;

13 peace to his peo - ple on earth, peace to his peo - ple on earth.

17 Lord God heav - en - ly King, al - migh - ty God and Fa - ther, we

21 wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.

25 Glo - ry, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;

30 peace to his peo-ple on earth, peace to his people on earth.

36 Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,

42 Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;

44 you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -

47 ceive our prayer, re - ceive our prayer, re - ceive our prayer.

55 You a-lone are the Ho - ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,

61 you a-lone are the Lord, you a-lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ,

67 with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo - ry, the glor - ry, the glo-ry of God the Fa - ther.

71 A - men, a - men, a - - - - men,

a - men, a - men, a - - - - men.

## The Collect

The president introduces a period of silent prayer with the words 'let us pray'.

**Amen.**

# The Liturgy of the Word

## Readings

We sit to listen to one or two readings appointed for the day. At the end of each the following is said:

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

## Gospel Reading

We stand and sing together **Alleluia** as the Gospel book is carried to the middle of the church and the congregation turns to face the reader.

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

The Gospel for the day is proclaimed.

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

We sing **Alleluia** as the gospel is carried back. We sit after the preacher offers an introductory prayer.

## Sermon

After the sermon there is a brief pause for reflection and then all stand to say the words of the Creed

## The Creed

**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 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.**

### **Prayers of Intercession**

Lord in your mercy  
**hear our prayer.**

*or*

Lord hear us  
**Lord graciously hear us**

*The prayers may conclude with these words:*

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

## **The Liturgy of the Sacrament**

### **The Peace**

*We stand. The president introduces the peace with some appropriate words*

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

Let us offer one another a sign of peace

*Members of the congregation share the peace using British Sign Language*

### **Offertory Hymn: Inspired by love and anger**

The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want;  
He makes me lie in pastures green.  
He leads me by the still, still waters,  
His goodness restores my soul.

*And I will trust in You alone,  
And I will trust in You alone,  
For Your endless mercy follows me,  
Your goodness will lead me home.*

He guides my ways in righteousness,  
And He anoints my head with oil,  
And my cup, it overflows with joy,  
I feast on His pure delights.

And though I walk the darkest path,  
I will not fear the evil one,  
For You are with me, and Your rod and staff  
Are the comfort I need to know.

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*During this hymn the altar-table is prepared.*

## **Taking of the Bread and Wine**

*When the altar-table is prepared the president offers this prayer*

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.

**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.

**Blessed be God for ever.**

*The president washes their hands symbolising our desire to come together at the Lord's table with pure hearts and minds.*

## **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 thanks and praise.**

*The president praises God for His mighty acts and all respond by saying*

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9 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and God of might,

14 hea-ven and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na in the high - est; ho - san - na, ho-

21 san- na, ho-san na in the high est; ho -san na, ho-san na, ho-san na in the high-est.

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29 Bless-ed is he, bless-ed is he, bless-ed is he who comes in the name,

34 he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est; ho - san - na, ho-

san- na, ho-san na in the highest; ho - san- na, ho-san- na, ho-san-na in the high- est.

The president recalls the Last Supper and then this acclamation is used

Great is the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died:**

**Christ is risen:**

**Christ will come again.**

The prayer continues leading into the final words of praise. We all join in with the Amen which may be sung.

... for ever and ever.

**Amen**

## The Lord's Prayer

As our saviour taught us, so we pray

We say this prayer together, with our microphones unmuted each in our own language.

**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.  
**Though we are many, we are one body,  
because we all share in one bread.**

While these words are said the priest takes communion on behalf of us all



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Je - sus, Lamb of God, Je - sus, Lamb of God, you take a - way the -  
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sins of the world: have mercy - on us. x 2 Je - sus, Lamb of God, Je - sus, Lamb of God, you  
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take a - way the sins of the world: grant us your peace, - grant us your peace.

## Giving of Communion

The Church of which we are members is not defined by the walls of a building but by the Body of Christ of which we are members. I invite you to make your communion spiritually, joining with Christians everywhere to be nourished by the one who tells us 'I am the Bread of Life.

You may like to say this prayer as music is played:

Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ,  
for all the benefits you have given me,  
for all the pains and insults you have borne for me.  
Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally,  
I ask you to come spiritually into my heart.  
O most merciful redeemer, friend and brother,  
may I know you more clearly,  
love you more dearly,  
and follow you more nearly, day by day. Amen.

## Prayer after Communion

A brief silence is kept. The president says the post communion prayer for the day.

## The Dismissal

Notices

## **The Blessing**

### **Final Hymn**

Lord, for the years your love has kept and guided,  
urged and inspired us, cheered us on our way,  
sought us and saved us, pardoned and provided:  
Lord of the years, we bring our thanks today.

Lord, for that word, the word of life which fires us,  
speaks to our hearts and sets our souls ablaze,  
teaches and trains, rebukes us and inspires us:  
Lord of the word, receive your people's praise.

Lord, for our land in this our generation,  
spirits oppressed by pleasure, wealth and care:  
for young and old, for commonwealth and nation,  
Lord of our land, be pleased to hear our prayer.

Lord, for our world when we disown and doubt him,  
loveless in strength, and comfortless in pain,  
hungry and helpless, lost indeed without him:  
Lord of the world, we pray that Christ may reign.

Lord for ourselves; in living power remake us -  
self on the cross and Christ upon the throne,  
past put behind us, for the future take us:  
Lord of our lives, to live for Christ alone. '

*Lord, for the years your love' by Timothy Dudley-Smith (b. 1926).*

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

You are welcome to unmute your microphone after the organ voluntary and stay and chat.