

Service of Holy Communion

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THE CELEBRATION OF THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Gathering of God's People

THE GREETING

A warm welcome to visitor and viewer alike.

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

HYMN

Hymn 303 "Lord of the Church" introduced and played for us by Adrian Hilliard.

1	2
Lord of the church we pray for our renewing Christ over all our undivided aim Fire of the Spirit burn for our enduing Wind of the Spirit fan the living flame We turn to Christ amid our fear and failing The will that lacks the courage to be free The weary labours all but unavailing To bring us nearer what a church should be	Lord of the church we seek a Father's blessing A true repentance and a faith restored A swift obedience and a new possessing Filled with the Holy Spirit of the Lord We turn to Christ from all our restless striving Unnumbered voices with a single prayer- The living water for our souls' reviving In Christ to live and love and serve and care
3	
Lord of the church we long for our uniting True to one calling by one vision stirred One cross proclaiming and one creed reciting One in the truth of Jesus and His word So lead us on till toil and trouble ended One church triumphant one new song shall sing To praise His glory risen and ascended Christ over all the everlasting King	

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

**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.**

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says:

You shall love the Lord your God

with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.

This is the first and great commandment.

And the second is like it.

You shall love your neighbour as yourself.

On these two commandments depend all the law and the prophets.

**Lord, have mercy on us,
and write these your laws in our hearts.**

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ,
to save us from our sins, to intercede for us in heaven,
and to bring us to eternal life.

If we say that we have no sin,
we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
If we confess our sins,
he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins
and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Please sit or kneel in Silence

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we have sinned in thought and word and deed,
and in what we have left undone.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us,
that we may walk in newness of life
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

Almighty God,
who forgives all who truly repent,
has mercy on us,
pardons and delivers us from all our sins,
confirms and strengthens us in all goodness,
and keeps us in eternal life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Please stand

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to God's 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 OF THE DAY

God,
who in generous mercy sent the Holy Spirit
upon your Church in the burning fire of your love:
Grant that your people may be fervent
in the fellowship of the gospel;
that, always abiding in you,
they may be found steadfast in faith and active in service;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Proclaiming and Receiving the Word

Please sit for the Readings and Psalm, read for us by Jonathan Harig

Proverbs 1: 20-33

Wisdom cries out in the street; in the squares she raises her voice. At the busiest corner she cries out; at the entrance of the city gates she speaks: "How long, O simple ones, will you love being simple? How long will scoffers delight in their scoffing and fools hate knowledge? Give heed to my reproof; I will pour out my thoughts to you; I will make my words known to you. Because I have called and you refused, have stretched out my hand and no one heeded, and because you have ignored all my counsel and would have none of my reproof, I also will laugh at your calamity; I will mock when panic strikes you, when panic strikes you like a storm, and your calamity comes like a whirlwind, when distress and anguish come upon you. Then they will call upon me, but I will not answer; they will seek me diligently, but will not find me. Because they hated knowledge and did not choose the fear of the LORD, would have none of my counsel, and despised all my reproof, therefore they shall eat the fruit of their way and be sated with their own devices. For waywardness kills the simple, and the complacency of fools destroys them; but those who listen to me will be secure and will live at ease, without dread of disaster." This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM

Psalm 19

The heavens are telling the glory of God
and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.
 One day pours out its song to another
and one night unfolds knowledge to another.
 They have neither speech nor language
and their voices are not heard,
 Yet their sound has gone out into all lands
and their words to the ends of the world.
 In them has he set a tabernacle for the sun,
that comes forth as a bridegroom out of his chamber
and rejoices as a champion to run his course.
 It goes forth from the end of the heavens and runs to the very end again,
and there is nothing hidden from its heat.
 The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul;
the testimony of the Lord is sure and gives wisdom to the simple.
 The statutes of the Lord are right and rejoice the heart;
the commandment of the Lord is pure and gives light to the eyes.
 The fear of the Lord is clean and endures for ever;
the judgements of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.
 More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold,
sweeter also than honey, dripping from the honeycomb.
 By them also is your servant taught
and in keeping them there is great reward.
 Who can tell how often they offend?
O cleanse me from my secret faults!
 Keep your servant also from presumptuous sins lest they get dominion over me;
so shall I be undefiled, and innocent of great offence.
 Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight,

O Lord, my strength and my redeemer..

Glory to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit
as it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be for ever. Amen

THE SECOND READING

James 3: 1-12

Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits. How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, but no one can tame the tongue—a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh. This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the Gospel

THE GOSPEL READING

Hear the Gospel of our Saviour Christ,
according to St Mark, chapter 8 beginning at verse 27

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that I am?” And they answered him, “John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets.” He asked them, “But who do you say that I am?” Peter answered him, “You are the Messiah.” And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him. Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, “Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.” He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

THE NICENE 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 for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of 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 the People

Please sit or kneel

At the end of each prayer the following is said

Lord, hear us:

Lord, graciously hear us.

At the end of the Intercessions the following is said:

Merciful Father,

accept these our prayers

for the sake of your Son,

our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

Please stand

THE PEACE

Peace to you from God our heavenly Father.

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

Peace to you from the Holy Spirit the life-giver.

The peace of the Lord be always with you 🙏

and also with you. 🙏

HYMN

Hymn 592 "O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go" played for us by Adrian Hilliard.

1

O Love that wilt not let me go
I rest my weary soul in Thee
I give Thee back the life I owe
That in Thine ocean depths its flow
May richer fuller be

2

O Light that followest all my way
I yield my flickering torch to Thee
My heart restores its borrowed ray
That in Thy sunshine's blaze its day
May brighter fairer be

3

O Joy that seekest me through pain
I cannot close my heart to Thee
I trace the rainbow through the rain
And feel the promise is not vain
That morn shall tearless be

4

O Cross that liftest up my head
I dare not ask to fly from Thee
I lay in dust life's glory dead
And from the ground there blossoms red
Life that shall endless be

Celebrating at the Lord's Table

AT THE PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

Be present, be present,
Lord Jesus Christ
our risen high priest;
make yourself known in the breaking of bread.
Amen.

THE TAKING OF THE BREAD AND WINE

Christ our passover has been sacrificed for us
therefore let us celebrate the feast.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord is here.

His Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Father, almighty and everliving God,
at all times and in all places
it is right to give you thanks and praise:
and so with all your people, with angels and archangels,
and with all the company of heaven,
we proclaim your great and glorious name,
for ever praising you and saying:
**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessèd is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Blessèd are you, Father,
the creator and sustainer of all things;
you made us in your own image,
male and female you created us;
even when we turned away from you,
you never ceased to care for us,
but in your love and mercy you freed us
from the slavery of sin,
giving your only begotten Son
to become man and suffer death on the cross
to redeem us:
he made there the one complete
and all-sufficient sacrifice for the sins of the whole world:
he instituted, and in his holy Gospel commanded us to continue,
a perpetual memory of his precious death
until he comes again.

On the night that he was betrayed he took bread;
and when he had given thanks to you, 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 when he had given thanks to you,
he gave it to them, saying,
Drink this, all of you,
for 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.

Therefore, Father, with this bread and this cup
we do as Christ your Son commanded:
we remember his passion and death,
we celebrate his resurrection and ascension,
and we look for the coming of his kingdom.

Accept through him, our great high priest,
this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving;
and as we eat and drink these holy gifts,
grant by the power of the life-giving Spirit
that we may be made one in your holy Church
and partakers of the body and blood of your Son,
that he may dwell in us and we in him:
Through the same Jesus Christ our Lord,
by whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
**all honour and glory are yours, Almighty Father,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:
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.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The bread which we break is a sharing in the body of Christ.
**We being many are one body,
for we all share in the one bread.**

THE 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.
Remember that he died for you,
and feed on him in your hearts
by faith with thanksgiving.

THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

**We do not presume
to come to this your table, merciful Lord,
trusting in our own righteousness
but in your manifold and great mercies.
We are not worthy
so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table.
But you are the same Lord,
whose nature is always to have mercy.
Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord,
so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ,
and to drink his blood,
that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body,
and our souls washed through his most precious blood,
and that we may evermore dwell in him and he in us. Amen.**

RECEIVING COMMUNION

The Consecrated Bread will be brought to you in the pews. We take the Consecrated Wine spiritually.

THE GREAT SILENCE

we keep silence for a time

Going Out as God's People

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Eternal God,
we have received these tokens of your promise.
May we who have been nourished with holy things
live as faithful heirs of your promised kingdom.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Father of all,
we give you thanks and praise,
that when we were still far off
you met us in your Son and brought us home.
Dying and living, he declared your love,
gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory.

**May we who share Christ's body live his risen life;
we who drink his cup bring life to others;
we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world.
Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,
so we and all your children shall be free,
and the whole earth live to praise your name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Almighty God,
**we thank you for feeding us
with the spiritual food
of 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.**

HYMN

Hymn 81 "Lord, For The Years" played for us by Adrian Hilliard.

1
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

2
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

5
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

3
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

4
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

God the Holy Trinity
 make you strong in faith and love,
 defend you on every side,
 and guide you in truth and peace;
 and thus the peace of God,
 which passes all understanding,
 will 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,
 is with you and will remain with you always. **Amen.**

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

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