

A service for Holy Eucharist
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Last Sunday after Pentecost

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1 INTRODUCTION

The Lord be with you
And also with you

2 HYMN - Crown him with many crowns

GLORIA

Praise the Lord
Praise him you servants of the Lord

Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit
Blessed be God's Name, now and for ever

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.

3 THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Let us pray

Almighty God
To whom all hearts are open
All desires known
And from whom no secrets are hid:
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.

THE PENITENCE

Let us confess our sins, firmly resolved to keep God's commandments and to live in love and peace with our neighbour.

Silence may be kept.

Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, in penitence we confess that we have sinned against you through our own fault: in thought, word, and deed, and in what we have left undone. For the sake of your Son, Christ our Lord, forgive us all that is past and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your Name.

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

4 THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Let us pray,

**Most High God, majestic and mighty,
Our beginning and our end:
Rule in our hearts and guide us to be faithful,
Worshipping the One
Who comes as Saviour and Sovereign;
And who lives and reigns with you
In the unity of the Holy Spirit,
One God, now and for ever. Amen**

THE WORD OF GOD

5 The First Reading

A reading from Ephesians 1:15-23

After the reading is said

Hear the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

6 Psalm 100

**Glory to the Father and to the Son:
And to the Holy Spirit.
As it was in the beginning:
Is now and will be for ever. Amen**

7 The Gospel

Please stand

Listen to the Good News proclaimed in the Gospel according to Matthew 25:31-46

After the reading

This is the Gospel of Christ

Praise to Christ our Lord

8 The Sermon

9 THE CREED

Together, we affirm our faith in the words of the Baptismal Creed:

**I believe and trust in God the Father who made the world
I believe and trust in his Son Jesus Christ who redeemed humankind.
I believe and trust in his Holy Spirit who gives life to the people of God.
I believe and trust in one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen**

10 THE PRAYERS

11 THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always

Peace be with you

12 HYMN - King of Glory, King of Peace

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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 won do we give you. Amen.

13 THE GREAT THANKSGIVING –

Please have some bread and wine/grape juice available

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this bread and wine to offer, given by the earth and fruit of the vine, made by human hands.

For us it becomes the bread of life, the cup of salvation. Blessed be God forever!

An Alternative Eucharistic Prayer

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 him thanks and praise

It is indeed right, it is our duty and our joy, to give you thanks, holy Father, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him you have created us in your image; through him you have freed us from sin and death; through him you have made us your own people by the gift of the Holy Spirit.

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.**

Hear us, Father, through Christ your Son our Lord, and grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit these gifts of bread and wine may be to us his body and his blood.

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 to 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.'

So we proclaim the mystery of faith

**Christ has died,
Christ is risen,
Christ will come again**

Therefore, Father, proclaiming his saving death and resurrection and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate with this bread and this cup his one perfect sacrifice.

Accept through him, our great high priest, this our sacrifice of thanks and praise, and grant that we who eat this bread and drink this cup may be renewed by your Sprit and grow into his likeness.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom, and with whom and in whom, all honour and glory be yours, Father, now and for ever. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

As Christ has taught us we are bold to pray,

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. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen

The bread which we break, is it not a sharing of the body of Christ?

We, who are many, are one body, for we all partake of the one bread.

Jesus Lamb of God have mercy on us, Jesus bearer of our sins have mercy on, Jesus redeemer of the world, give us your peace.

A moment of quiet

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 we may evermore dwell in him and he in us.

Draw near and receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you, and his blood which he shed for you. Feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

As we partake of the bread, either on our own, or with those gathered with us we say,

The body of Christ, broken for you. Amen

As we share the wine we say,

The blood of Christ, shed for you. Amen

Pause

14 THE CONCLUSION

Give thanks to the Lord for he is gracious

His mercy endures forever

We say together,

Blessing and honour and thanksgiving and praise, more than we can utter, more than we can understand, be to you, O holy and glorious Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, from all Angels, all people, all creatures, for ever and ever. Amen

And so we offer ourselves in service,

Father almighty, we offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice in Jesus Christ our Lord. Send us out into the world in the power of the Holy Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory.

15 Notice

16 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 remain with you always. Amen.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

17 RECESSIONAL - Majesty, worship His majesty.