

The Gathering

Welcome and Greeting *(Please stand)*

Minister: In the name of the Father,
and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

All: **Amen.**

Minister: Grace, mercy and peace
from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ
be with you

All: **and also with you.**

(Please Sit)

At this point the minister will give a general welcome and share any notices.

Introit Hymn: *(Please stand)*

Please use the hymn book. The hymn number will be announced.

Prayer of Preparation *(Please sit)*

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.

Summary of the Law *(Please remain seated)*

Minister: Our Lord Jesus Christ said: The first commandment is this:
'Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is the only Lord.
You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart,
with all your soul, with all your mind,
and with all your strength.'
The second is this: 'Love your neighbour as yourself.'
There is no other commandment greater than these.
On these two commandments hang all the law
and the prophets.

All: **Amen. Lord, have mercy.**

The Confession *(The minister may use a different introduction to confession):*

Minister: 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.

All: **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 Absolution *(Please remain seated)*

Minister: 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 in Excelsis *(Please Stand - Omitted during Lent or Advent)*

All: **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 prayer set for the day is read by the minister and all respond...

All: **Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Word

Old Testament Reading *(Please sit)*

At the end of the reading:

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God**

Epistle Reading *(Please remain seated)*

At the end of the reading:

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God**

Gradual Hymn: *(Please stand)*

Please use the hymn book. The hymn number will be announced.

Gospel Reading: *(Please remain standing)*

When the Gospel is announced:

Reader: Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to....

All: **Glory to you, O Lord**

At the end of the Gospel reading:

Minister: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon: *(Please sit)*

Nicene Creed: *(Please stand)*

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 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 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 *(Please sit)*

During the prayers, one of these responses will be used:

Response 1:

Minister: Lord, in your mercy

All: **hear our prayer.**

Response 2:

Minister: Lord, hear us

All: **Lord, graciously hear us.**

Response 3:

Minister: Lord, hear your people

All: **and answer our prayers.**

Response 4:

Minister: Loving God we look to you.

All: **Receive our prayer.**

Response 5:

Minister: Generous God

All: **pour out your love.**

Response 6:

Minister: Your Kingdom come,

All: **your will be done.**

At the end of the prayers, this response will be used:

Minister: Merciful Father

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

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

The Peace *(Please stand)*

The minister may introduce the peace with a suitable sentence and then say:

Minister: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: **and also with you.**

Minister: Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All may exchange a sign of peace.

Offertory Hymn: *(Please remain standing)*

Please use the hymn book. The hymn number will be announced.

During this hymn the table is prepared ready for the Eucharist.

Eucharistic Prayer H *(Please remain standing)*

Minister: The Lord be with you

All: **and also with you.**

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

All: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

Minister: It is right to praise you, Father, Lord of all creation;
in your love you made us for yourself.

When we turned away
you did not reject us,
but came to meet us in your Son.

All: **You embraced us as your children
and welcomed us to sit and eat with you.**

(Please sit)

Minister: In Christ you shared our life
that we might live in him and he in us.

All: **He opened his arms of love upon the cross
and made for all the perfect sacrifice for sin.**

Minister: On the night he was betrayed,
at supper with his friends
he took bread, and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to them, saying:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

All: **Father, we do this in remembrance of him:
his body is the bread of life.**

Minister: At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine,
he gave you thanks, and said:
Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins;
do this in remembrance of me.

All: **Father, we do this in remembrance of him:
his blood is shed for all.**

Minister: As we proclaim his death and celebrate his rising in glory,
send your Holy Spirit that this bread and this wine
may be to us the body and blood of your dear Son.

All: **As we eat and drink these holy gifts
make us one in Christ, our risen Lord.**

Minister: With your whole Church throughout the world
we offer you this sacrifice of praise
and lift our voice to join the eternal song of heaven:

All: **Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.**

The Lord's Prayer

Minister: 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

Minister: Every time we eat this bread
and drink this cup,

All: **we proclaim the Lord's death
until he comes.**

Giving of Holy Communion

Minister: 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.

At this point you will be invited up to come to the front to receive the bread and the wine.

If you are baptised and trust and seek to follow Jesus as your Lord and Saviour, you are welcome to receive the bread and wine. If you are not sure about this but would like a short prayer instead, please come forward but keep your hands down and we will say a simple prayer for you.

Post Communion Prayer *(Please remain seated)*

The prayer set for the day is read by the minister and all respond...

All: Amen.

Prayer after Communion

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 Dismissal

Recessional Hymn: *(Please stand)*

Please use the hymn book. The number will be announced.

The Blessing: *(Please remain standing)*

The minister may use this or an alternative blessing:

Minister: 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.

The Dismissal:

Minister: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All: In the name of Christ. Amen.

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Holy Eucharist – 9:30am

Sunday School – 10:45am

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