

# Holy Communion in Easter Season

## GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

*Words of Welcome*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Christ is risen. Alleluia.

**He is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

*(Introit Hymn)*

*Sentence of the Day*

**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 & Kyries*

**Lord, have mercy  
Christ, have mercy  
Lord, have mercy**

## CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

Christ our Passover Lamb has been offered for us, therefore we come to celebrate the festival.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith,  
with a sincere and a true heart.

**Merciful God,  
our maker and our judge,  
we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
and in what we have failed to do:  
we have not loved you  
with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbours  
as ourselves; we repent,  
and are sorry for all our sins.  
Father, forgive us.  
Strengthen us to love and obey you  
in newness of life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*Absolution – Assurance of Forgiveness*

## THE GLORIA

**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 MINISTRY OF THE WORD

*See the Pew-sheet for the Prayer of the Day  
& the Readings, including the Gospel.  
The Sermon, followed by silence.*

## 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 of the Holy Spirit and the  
virgin Mary and became truly human.  
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

*Concluding with*  
Almighty God,  
you have promised to hear our prayers.  
**Grant that what we have asked in faith  
we may by your grace receive,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

#### THE GREETING OF PEACE

We are the body of Christ.  
**His Spirit is with us.**  
The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
**And also with you.**

*(Offertory Hymn)*

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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 our thanks and praise.**

...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.

... Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:  
Christ has died. Christ is risen.  
Christ will come again.

... **Blessing and honour and glory and  
power are yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

*Lord's Prayer*

**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 for ever. Amen.**

#### THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The disciples knew the Lord Jesus  
in the breaking of the bread.  
**Be known to us, Lord Jesus,  
in the breaking of the bread.**  
The bread which we break, alleluia,  
is the communion of the body of Christ.  
**Be known to us, Lord Jesus,  
in the breaking of the bread.**

We are one body, alleluia,  
for though many we share one bread.  
**Be known to us, Lord Jesus,  
in the breaking of the bread.**

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

*Sharing in Holy Communion  
(Communion Hymn)*

#### SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE *Post Communion Prayer*

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

*Notices,  
(Hymn)  
Blessing.*

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

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