

Service of Holy Communion to read at home.

This is the sheet we will use each week so please keep it safe

Preparation

As we come together this morning in our own homes we do so knowing that as we pray we are not on our own. We may not be in a church building but we are still church as we pray together and worship God.

And so as we prepare ourselves to worship we say:

**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.**

Saying Sorry

God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners,
Christ died for us. Let us then show our love for him
by confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you
and against our neighbour in thought and word and deed,
through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault.
We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us,
forgive us all that is past, and grant that we may serve you in newness of life
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

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

The Gloria

**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.**

A reading from the bible

This is on the sheet with all the bible readings

Sing a hymn

Sermon

This is on a separate sheet and will be delivered to you each week

The Creed

Let us declare our faith in the triune God:

Do you believe and trust in God the Father?

I believe in God the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe and trust in his Son Jesus Christ?

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit?

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers for those things on our hearts and for ourselves.

Please pray for the things on your hearts.

For the church, the world and your community, your family and friends and the safe end to the lockdown and the coronavirus.

We end with

Merciful Father,

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

The Peace

Christ is our peace. If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation.

The old has passed away: behold, everything has become new.

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

The Eucharist

As we come to the communion I am using a shortened version of the prayer and I will receive the bread and wine on your behalf. As I do that please pray and ask Jesus to fill your heart as if you were receiving it for yourself!

On the night he was handed over, Jesus had a meal with his friends. He took a loaf of bread and after giving thanks to God, he broke it and gave it to his disciples. He said, "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." After supper Jesus took the cup of wine; and after giving thanks, gave it to them and said, "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. Whenever you drink it, remember me.

As our Father taught us so we pray

**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.

Giving of Communion

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.

Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

The minister receives communion.

After Communion

Let us pray:

**God our Creator, thank you for the gift of your son Jesus Christ,
whose love pursues us our whole life long.**

**Thank you Jesus, for giving your life to us in word and deed,
even unto death, even death on a cross.**

**Come Holy Spirit, feed us with your love
that we may be filled with power to love God
with all our hearts and souls and minds. Amen.**

Sing a hymn

As you pray this prayer of blessing think about all those you want to be blessed by it!

THE BLESSING

The Lord bless you and watch over you,

the Lord make his face shine upon you

and be gracious to you,

the Lord look kindly on you and give you peace;

and the blessing of God almighty,

Father, Son and Holy Spirit,

be with you, and with those you love, this day and always.

Amen.

Filled with the Spirit's power, go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ Amen.