

# Family Communion

*for Covid-19 Time*

## ¶ *Gathering*

### Music

*The president says*

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

*All:* **Amen**

### The Greeting

*The president greets the people*

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

*All:* **and also with you.**

### Prayers of Penitence

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:* **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.**

### **Absolution**

Almighty God,  
Who forgives all who truly repent,  
have mercy on 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**

*Please stand to sing*

### **Gloria in Excelsis**

Tune: At the name of Jesus (tune 2)

*All:* **Glory in the highest to the God of heaven!  
Peace to all your people, through the earth be given:  
Mighty God and Father, thanks and praise we bring,  
Singing alleluyas to our heavenly King.**

**Jesus Christ is risen, God the Father's Son:  
With the Holy Spirit, you are Lord alone!  
Lamb once killed for sinners, all our guilt to bear,  
Show us now your mercy, now receive our prayer.**

**Christ the world's true Saviour, high and holy one,  
Seated now and reigning, from your Father's throne:  
Lord and God, we praise you; highest heaven adores:  
In the Father's glory, all the praise be yours!**

### **The Collect**

Almighty God,  
who called your Church to bear witness  
that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself:  
help us to proclaim the good news of your love,  
that all who hear it may be drawn to you;  
through him who was lifted up on the cross,  
and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.  
**Amen.**

## Readings

*Romans 13:8-end*

Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, 'You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet'; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, 'Love your neighbour as yourself.' Love does no wrong to a neighbour; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armour of light; let us live honourably as in the day, not in revelling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarrelling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

*At the end of the reading the reader says:*

This is the word of the Lord  
*All:* **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand for the Gospel*

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew  
*All:* **Glory to you, O Lord.**

*Matthew 18:15-20*

'If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax-collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.'

*At the end:*

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

**Sermon**

**Music for Reflection**

**Affirmation of faith**

Let us declare our faith in God.

*Please stand*

*All:* **We believe in God the Father,  
from whom every family  
in heaven and earth is named.**

**We believe in God the Son,  
who lives in our hearts through faith,  
and fills us with his love.**

**We believe in God the Holy Spirit,**

*Then, either:*

*All* **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**

*or:*

*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**

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

### **Blessing**

### **Dismissal**

### **Voluntary**

**who strengthens us  
with power from on high.**

**We believe in one God;  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen**

### **Prayers of Intercession**

*Responses:*

Lord in your mercy:

*All* **Hear our prayer**

Merciful Father:

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

### **Introduction to the Peace**

*The President introduces the Peace with a suitable sentence, and then says:*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*All:* **and also with you.**

### **Music**

*The gifts of the people are presented.*

### **Prayers at the Preparation of the Table**

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation: through your goodness we have this bread to set before you, which earth has given and human hands have made. It will become for us the bread of life.

*All:* **Blessed be God for ever.**

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation: through your goodness we have this wine to set before you, fruit of the vine and work of human hands. It will become for us the cup of salvation.

*All:* **Blessed be God for ever.**

## Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord is here.

*All:* **His Spirit is with us.**

Lift up your hearts.

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

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

*The Eucharistic prayer continues until the words:*

...for ever praising you and saying:

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

*The Eucharistic prayer continues until the acclamation:*

*One of these acclamations is used:*

Great is the mystery of faith:  
*All:* **Christ has died  
Christ is risen  
Christ will come again.**

Christ is the bread of life  
*All:* **When we eat this bread  
and drink this cup,  
we proclaim your death,  
Lord Jesus until you come in  
glory.**

*The Eucharistic Prayer continues, concluding with the Great Doxology:*

...through Jesus Christ our Lord:

by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever.

*All:* **Amen**

## The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour has taught us, so we pray....

*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.**

*The president breaks the consecrated bread*

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

*All:* **Though we are many, we are one body,  
because we all share in one 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 peace.**

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world.  
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

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

*The Post Communion prayer is said:*

God of all mercy,  
in this eucharist you have set aside our sins  
and given us your healing:  
grant that we who are made whole in Christ  
may bring that healing to this broken world,  
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**