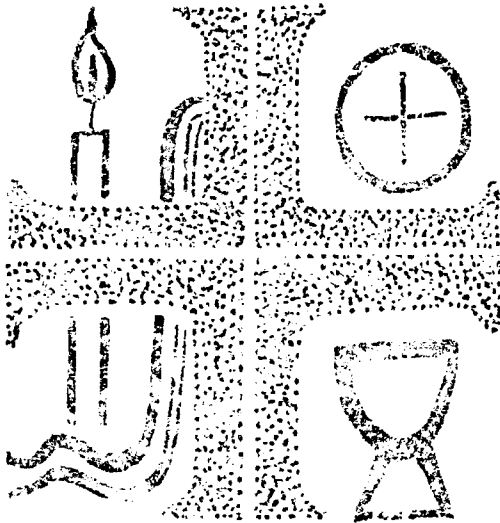




COMMON WORSHIP

HOLY COMMUNION



For use at
the Church of
St John the Evangelist,
Hedge End

FOR REFLECTION BEFORE THE SERVICE

In memory now we travel back two thousand years;
in faith Christ comes to us across the ages.

We break bread, as he did,
and remember his body broken for us;
we pour out wine, as he did,
and remember his blood poured for us to the ground.

We hold out our hands to receive his grace;
we eat to feed on his love,
and drink to pledge our loyalty;
we rise to take up our cross;
we go out to serve him in his world.

Jesus,
we come to this your table,
not because we are strong,
but because we are weak
we come,
not because any goodness of our own gives us a right to come,
but because we need your mercy and your help;
we come,
because we love you a little
and would like to love you more;
we come,
not because we are worthy to approach,
but because you died for sinners;
we come,
because you love us
and gave yourself for us:

Your death, O Lord, we commemorate,
your resurrection we proclaim,
your coming again in glory we anticipate:
glory to you, living Saviour and Lord! Amen.

The Gathering

The Greeting

The president greets the people with these or similar words:

The Lord be with you

All and also with you.

From Easter Day to Pentecost this acclamation follows

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

All He is risen indeed. Alleluia.

A hymn may be sung

Words of welcome or introduction may be said

Prayer of Preparation

**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.**

Prayers of Penitence

The Summary of the Law may be used:

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.

A minister uses a suitable invitation to confession

KNEEL

One of these prayers of penitence is used:

FIRST PRAYER

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.

SECOND PRAYER

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 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 president says

Aimighty 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.

Gloria in Excelsis

STAND

The Gloria may be used:

All **Glory to God in the highest,** (these lines may be sung as
and peace to his people on earth. *a response, at [R] below*)

**Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.** [R]

**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.** [R]

**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.** [R]

Amen.

The Collect

The president introduces a period of silent prayer with the words

'Let us pray' or a more specific bidding.

The Collect is said, and all respond

All **Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Word

SIT

Readings

Either one or two readings from Scripture precede the Gospel reading.

At the end of each the reader may say

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God

A psalm may be said or sung between the readings

STAND

Gospel Reading

An acclamation heralds the Gospel reading:

A seasonal sentence is said, to which all respond:

All Alleluia

When the Gospel is announced the reader says

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to M.

All Glory to you, O Lord.

At the end

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

SIT

Sermon

STAND

The Creed

**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

KNEEL

These responses may be used

Lord, in your mercy OR Lord, hear us
All hear our prayer. Lord graciously hear us.

And at the end

Merciful Father,

All Accept these prayer for the sake of your son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

STAND

The president may introduce the Peace with a suitable sentence, and then says

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

All

These words may be added

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All may exchange a sign of peace.

Preparation of the Table Taking of the Bread and Wine

A hymn may be sung.

The gifts of the people may be gathered and presented.

The table is prepared and bread and wine are placed upon it.

One of these prayers is said:

Yours, Lord is the greatness, the power, the glory,
the splendour and the majesty;
for everything in heaven on earth is yours.

**All things come from you,
and of your own do we give you.**

All

OR

Blessed.....

Blessed be God forever.

All

OR an alternative prayer, to which all respond

Amen

All

The Eucharistic Prayer

The president says

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.**

PRAYER A or PRAYER B (on page 12) or PRAYER E (on page 14)

PRAYER A

*A special opening section may be used,
followed immediately by 'Holy Holy, or:*

It is indeed right,
it is our duty and our joy,
at all times and in all places
to give you thanks and praise,
Holy Father, heavenly King,
almighty and eternal God,
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

(The following may be omitted if a short Proper Preface is used)

For he is your living Word;
through him you have created all things from the beginning,
and formed us in your image.

Through him you have freed us from the slavery of sin,
giving him to be born of a woman and to die upon the cross;
you raised him from the dead
and exalted him to your right hand on high.

Through him you have sent upon us
your holy and life-giving Spirit,
and made us a people for your own possession.

Proper Preface, when appropriate

Therefore with angels and archangels,
and with all the company of heaven,
we proclaim your great and glorious name,
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.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Accept our praises, heavenly Father,
through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ,
and as we follow his example and obey his command,
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
he 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.

Therefore, heavenly Father,
we remember his offering of himself
made once for all upon the cross;
we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension;
we look for the coming of your kingdom,
and with this bread and this cup
we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.

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

OR

All [Praise to you, Lord Jesus:]
**Dying you destroyed our death,
rising you restored our life:
Lord Jesus, come in glory**

Accept through him our great high priest,
this our sacrifice of thanks and praise,
and as we eat and drink these holy gifts
in the presence of your divine majesty,
renew us by your spirit,
inspire us with your love
and unite us in the body of your Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, and with him, and in him,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
with all who stand before you in earth and heaven,
we worship you, Father almighty,
in songs of everlasting praise:

All **Blessing and honour and glory and power
be your for ever and ever. Amen.**

The service continues with the Lord's Prayer on page 16

PRAYER B

A special opening section may be used immediately followed by 'Holy, Holy', or:

Father, we give you thanks and praise
through your beloved Son Jesus Christ, your living Word,
through whom you have created all things;
who was sent by you in your great goodness to be our Saviour.
By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh;
as your Son, born of the blessed Virgin,
he lived on earth and went about among us;
he opened wide his arms for us on the cross;
he put an end to death by dying for us;
and revealed the resurrection by rising to new life;
so he fulfilled your will and won for you a holy people.

Short Proper Preface, when appropriate

Therefore with angels and archangels,
and with all the company of heaven,
we proclaim your great and glorious name,
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.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Lord you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness;
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit,
and according to your holy will,
these gifts of bread and wine
may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;
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
he 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.

[Great is the mystery of faith:]

Christ has died:

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.

OR

[Praise to you, Lord Jesus:]

Dying you destroyed our death,

rising you restored our life:

Lord Jesus, come in glory.

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross,
his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world;
rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,
and looking for his coming in glory,
we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving,
we bring before you this bread and this cup
and we thank you for counting us worthy
to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people
and gather into one in your kingdom
all who share this one bread and one cup,
so that we, in the company of [*N and*] all the saints,
may praise and glorify you for ever,
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.

li **Amen.**

The service continues with the Lord's prayer on page 16

PRAYER E

Here follows an extended preface or the following.

Father, you made the world and love your creation.
You gave your Son Jesus Christ to be our Saviour.
His dying and rising have set us free from sin and death.
And so we gladly thank you,
with saints and angels 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.
Blessed he is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

We praise and bless you, loving Father,
through Jesus Christ, our Lord;
and as we obey his command,
send your Holy Spirit,
that broken bread and wine outpoured
may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died he had supper with his friends
and, taking bread, he praised you.
He broke the bread, gave it to them and said:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine,
Again he praised you, 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.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did,
in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice
made once for all upon the cross.
Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation,
we proclaim his death and resurrection
until he comes in glory.

[Great is the mystery of faith:]

**All Christ Has died:
Christ is risen:
Christ will come again.**

OR

[Praise to you, Lord Jesus:]

**All Dying you destroyed our death,
Rising you restored our life:
Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

Lord of all life,
help us to work together for that day
when your kingdom comes
and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.

Look with favour on your people,
gather us in your loving arms
and bring us with [N and] all the saints
to feast at your table in heaven.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father
for ever and ever.

All Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray

All 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.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever.
Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

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.

OR

Every time we eat this bread
and drink this cup
All we proclaim the Lord's death
until he comes.

As the bread is broken, we say or sing

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.

OR

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:
grant us peace.

Giving of Communion

The president says the invitation to communion

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.

OR

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

OR

God's Holy Gifts
for God's holy people.

All Jesus Christ is Hoiy,
Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

OR, from Easter Day to Pentecost:

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrifices for us.

All Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

This prayer may be said:

All Most merciful Lord,
your love compels us to come in.
Our hands were unclean,
our hearts were unprepared;
we were not fit
even to eat the crumbs under your table.
But you, Lord, are the God of our salvation,
and share your bread with sinners.
So cleanse and feed us
with the precious body and blood of your Son,
that he may live in us and we in him;
and that we, with the whole company of Christ,
may sit and eat in your kingdom.
Amen.

The president and people receive communion.

At the distribution:

The body of Christ

Amen.

The blood of Christ

Amen

During the distribution hymns and anthems may be sung.

Prayer after Communion

Silence is kept.

The Post Communion Prayer, or another suitable prayer, is said.

We say one of these prayers.

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 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.

Blessing

The president may use a seasonal blessing or

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

Notices and any Banns of Marriage are given.

Hymn

A minister says

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

or

Go in the peace of Christ.
All Thanks be to God.

OR from Easter Day to Pentecost

Go in the Peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.
All Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

The Ministers and people depart.

***You are welcome to join us after the service for refreshments
in the Underhill Centre.***

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