

St Paul's, Egham Hythe

Holy Communion



He was raised
on the third day
in accordance
with the Scriptures

1 Corinthians 15.4

Do stay for refreshments after the service.



Easter Season

Welcome to our service today,
especially if you are new or here
for the first time.

If you need any help finding
your way through the service
do ask one of the people
handing out the books at the back.

You may find it helpful
to spend a little time
in quiet prayer or reflection
before the service begins.

Please pray for those helping
to lead worship today.



Common Worship

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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.**

The following may be sung

**Lamb of God, you take away the
sins of the world: have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the
sins of the world: have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the
sins of the world: grant us peace.**

The president says this or another invitation
to communion

God's holy gifts for God's holy people.
**Jesus Christ is holy,
Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.**

The president and people
receive communion.
Authorized words of distribution
are used and the communicant
replies **Amen.**



Prayer after Communion

The Post Communion prayer is said .

We pray together:

**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

Hymn

Notices

Blessing

God the Father, by whose glory Christ
was raised from the dead, strengthen
you to walk with him in his risen life, and
the blessing of God Almighty, the Father,
the Son and the Holy Spirit be with you
now and evermore. **Amen.**

Go in the peace of Christ.
Alleluia, Alleluia.

**All Thanks be to God.
Alleluia, alleluia.**

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.

Jesus Christ is Lord:

All **Lord, by your cross and resurrection you have set us free. You are the Saviour of the world.**

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 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. **Amen.**



Silence may be kept.

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us:

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 Gathering

Processional Hymn *(we stand)*

All The Lord be with you **and also with you.**

All Alleluia! Christ is risen. **He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Introduction to the theme

Confession

Jesus Christ, risen Master and triumphant Lord, we come to you in sorrow for our sins, and confess to you our weakness and unbelief.

We have lived by our own strength, and not by the power of your resurrection.

In your mercy, forgive us.
All **Lord, hear us and help us.**

We have lived by the light our own eyes, as faithless no believing.

In your mercy, forgive us.
All **Lord, hear us and help us.**

We have lived for this world alone, and doubted our home in heaven.

In your mercy, forgive us.
All **Lord, hear us and help us.**

Absolution

May the God of love and power forgive you and free you from your sins, heal and strengthen you by his Spirit, and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

We may sing the following Gloria or another song of praise.

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.

Collect

A special prayer for the day

The Liturgy of the Word

First Reading *(we sit)*

At the end the reader may say:

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

Hymn or Psalm

Gospel Reading *(we stand)*

Jesus Christ is risen from the dead.

Alleluia.
He has defeated the powers of death.

Alleluia.
Jesus turns our sorrows into dancing.

Alleluia.
He has the words of eternal life.

Alleluia.

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

and at the end

This is the Gospel of the Lord.
All **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

(this may be followed by time of reflection)

Affirmation of Faith

(we stand)

Do you believe and trust in God the Father, source of all being and life, the one for whom we exist?

We believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Son, who took our human nature, died for us and rose again?

We believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit, who gives life to the people of God and makes Christ known in the world?

We believe and trust in him.

This is the faith of the Church.
**This is our faith,
We believe and trust in one God,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

(we sit or kneel)

This response may be used:

Lord, in your mercy.
Hear our prayer.

At the end we may use this response:

Merciful Father,
All **accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son
our saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

The president may introduce the peace with this or another suitable sentence

The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said 'Peace be with you.' Then were they glad when they saw the Lord. Alleluia.

The peace of the Lord be always with you

All **and also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All may exchange a sign of peace.

Offertory Hymn

The gifts of the people are gathered and presented. The table is prepared and bread and wine are placed on it.

This or another prayer may be said.

Risen Lord Jesus Christ, we believe you, and all we have heard is true. When you break bread may we recognize you as the fire that burns within us that we may bring light to your world. **Amen.**

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.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give you thanks, almighty and eternal Father, and in these days of Easter to celebrate with joyful hearts the memory of your wonderful works. For by the mystery of his passion Jesus Christ, your risen Son, has conquered the powers of death and hell and restored in men and women the image of your glory. He has placed them once more in paradise and opened to them the gate of life eternal. And so, in the joy of this Passover, earth and heaven resound with gladness, while angels and archangels and the powers of all creation sing for ever the hymn of your glory:

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.**

