

THE STANWICK GROUP OF CHURCHES

Holy Communion Order One (Traditional Language)



The Gathering

(stand)

A hymn may be sung.

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

All Amen.

The Lord be with you

All and with thy spirit.

From Easter Day to Pentecost this acclamation follows

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

All He is risen indeed. Alleluia.

This Prayer of Preparation or another prayer may be said

**All Almighty God,
unto whom all hearts be open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hid:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love thee,
and worthily magnify thy holy name;
through Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

Prayers of Penitence

A minister invites the congregation to confession

(sit or kneel)

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

Or, with suitable penitential sentences, the Kyrie eleison may be used

Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

All Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

The president declares God's forgiveness

Gloria in Excelsis

This or another form of the Gloria in Excelsis may be sung or said

**All Glory be to God on high,
and in earth peace, good will towards men.
We praise thee, we bless thee,
we worship thee, we glorify thee,
we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,
O Lord God, heavenly King,**

**God the Father almighty.
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ:
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,
have mercy upon us.
For thou only art holy;
thou only art the Lord;
thou only, O Christ,
with the Holy Ghost,
art the Most High,
in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.**

The president says the Collect of the day

The Liturgy of the Word

(sit)

*One or two Bible readings 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 hymn may be sung

(All stand for the Gospel reading)

The reader says:

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to *N.*

All Glory be to thee, O Lord.

After the Gospel the reader says:

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise be to thee, O Christ.

A sermon is preached or a reflection or address given

The Creed or an alternative affirmation of faith is said on Sundays and Principal Holy Days.

(stand)

**All I believe in one God the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
and of all things
visible and invisible:
And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of his Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation
came down from heaven,
and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary,
and was made man,
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried,
and the third day he rose again
according to the Scriptures,
and ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of the Father.
And he shall come again with glory
to judge both the quick and the dead:
whose kingdom shall have no end.
And I believe in the Holy Ghost,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceedeth from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together
is worshipped and glorified,
who spake by the prophets.
And I believe one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins.
And I look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come.
Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

(Sit or kneel)

These responses may be used

(or)

Lord, in thy mercy

Lord, hear us.

All hear our prayer.

Lord, graciously hear us.

At the end

Merciful Father,

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

The Peace

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

The peace of the Lord be always with you

All and with thy spirit.

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

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.

This or another prayer at the preparation of the table is said:

With this bread that we bring

All We shall remember Jesus.

With this wine that we bring

All We shall remember Jesus.

Bread for his body, wine for his blood, gifts from God to his table we bring

All We shall remember Jesus.

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you

All and with thy spirit.

Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them up unto the Lord.

Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.

All It is meet and right so to do.

The president praises God for his mighty acts and all respond:

**All Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts,
heaven and earth are full of thy glory.**

Glory be to thee, O Lord most high.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The president recalls the last supper

.....Great is the mystery of faith:

All Christ has died:

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.

The president continues and leads into the doxology to which all respond:

All Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us

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.**

The Agnus Dei may be said or sung:

**All O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.**

**O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.**

**O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
grant us thy peace.**

The president says one of these invitations to communion

God's holy gifts
for God's holy people.

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

or, from Easter Day to Pentecost

Alleluia. Christ our passover is sacrificed for us.

All Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

This prayer may be said before the distribution

**All We do not presume
to come to this thy table, O merciful Lord,
trusting in our own righteousness,
but in thy manifold and great mercies.
We are not worthy
so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy table.
But thou art the same Lord
whose nature is always to have mercy.**

**Grant us therefore, gracious Lord,
so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ
and to drink his blood,
that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body
and our souls washed through his most precious blood,
and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us.
Amen.**

*The president and people receive communion; at the distribution the communicant replies **Amen**.*

Prayer after Communion

The Post Communion is said.

(All may say this prayer:)

**All Almighty God,
we thank thee for feeding us
with the body and blood of thy Son Jesus Christ.
Through him we offer thee our souls and bodies
to be a living sacrifice.
Send us out
in the power of thy Spirit
to live and work
to thy praise and glory.
Amen.**

A hymn may be sung.

The president gives the Blessing and all respond **Amen**.

A minister says

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

or, from Easter Day to Pentecost

Go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

All Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.