

Welcome to worship. Please take some time in quiet before the service begins to pray and to be still before God. There are some prayers on page 15 & 16 which may help. Call to mind any thanks and prayers you wish to offer. Ask God to show you any way in which you have let him down this week, ready for confession and forgiveness. Ask him to meet with you in the silence and in the words of worship, and to strengthen you to serve him in the week that is to come.

If you do wish to talk to other people, please do so quietly, for the sake of those who do wish to pray quietly or listen to the organ prelude.

Through the service, we say together the words printed in **bold type**. We sing hymns, which will be announced and are listed on the boards to either side of the church, as well as on the notice sheet.

## The Gathering

A minister greets the people

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

We pray for Junior Church and Tots' Church before they go to their own worship. Those of us who remain pray one of the following prayers.

### Prayer of Preparation

**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.**

Or

**Lord, direct our thoughts, and teach us to pray.  
Lift up our hearts to worship you in spirit and in truth,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## ***Prayers of Penitence***

*A minister invites us to confess our sins to God, beginning with a reminder of how Jesus summarised the Law of God, or with the Ten Commandments (p. 16)*

*...On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.*  
**Amen. Lord, have mercy.**

*After a moment of silence, the minister invites us to confess our sins to God, using the following prayers.*

Let us admit to God the sin which always confronts us.

**Lord God, we have sinned against you;**

**we have done evil in your sight.**

**We are sorry and repent.**

**Have mercy on us according to your love.**

**Wash away our wrongdoing and cleanse us from our sin.**

**Renew a right spirit within us**

**and restore us to the joy of your salvation,**

**through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

*(sung)* Kyrie Eleison

**Kyrie Eleison**

**Christe Eleison**

**Kyrie Eleison**

*(or spoken)*

Kyrie Eleison

Christe Eleison

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*'Kyrie Eleison' and 'Christe Eleison' mean 'Lord have mercy' and 'Christ have mercy'. They are the traditional words of the church's prayer for forgiveness.*

*The priest declares God's forgiveness.*

## **Acclamation**

*We respond to God's forgiveness.*

To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul:

**O my God, in you I trust.**

You are the God of my salvation:

**To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.**

In you I hope all the day long.

**O my God, in you I trust.**

Remember, Lord, your compassion and love,  
for they are from everlasting.

**To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul;**

**O my God, in you I trust.**

## **The Collect**

*A minister calls us to pray as we stand, and we pray in silence before the minister leads us in the Collect, the prayer for the day.*

## **The Liturgy of the Word Old and New Testament Readings**

*We sit while one or two passages from the Bible are read. At the end of each, the reader may say*

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **Gospel Reading**

*We stand to hear the Gospel. Before it is announced, the reader says*

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

**Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.**

*Or*

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.  
Christ humbled himself and became obedient unto death,  
even death on a cross.  
Therefore God has highly exalted him  
and given him the name that is above every name.  
**Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.**

*When the Gospel is announced the reader says*

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

*At the end of the Gospel, the reader says*

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

## **Sermon**

*We sit for the sermon*

## **The Creed**

Let us declare our faith in God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.  
**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.**

*Or*

Let us affirm our faith in Jesus Christ the Son of God.  
**Though he was divine, he did not cling to equality with God,  
but made himself nothing.  
Taking the form of a slave,  
he was born in human likeness.  
He humbled himself and was obedient to death,  
even the death of the cross.  
Therefore God has raised him on high,  
and given him the name above every name:  
that at the name of Jesus  
every knee should bow,  
and every voice proclaim that Jesus Christ is Lord,  
to the glory of God the Father.  
Amen.**

## **Prayers of Intercession**

*We kneel or sit to pray. These responses, or others introduced by the leader of intercessions, may be used*

Lord, in your mercy  
**hear our prayer.**

*Or*

Lord, meet us in the silence,  
**give us strength and hear our prayer.**

*Or*

let us pray to the Lord.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

*And at the end*

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

*Or*

Holy God,  
**holy and strong,  
holy and immortal,  
have mercy upon us.**

# The Liturgy of the Sacrament

## The Peace

*We stand, and a minister invites us to share the peace of Christ.*

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

*We greet one another, saying 'peace be with you' as we shake hands. This comes from the Hebrew 'shalom' which means 'may you be at peace with God, the world and yourself.'*

## Preparation of the Table

*The holy table is prepared and any offering is collected. This or another prayer may be said.*

Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power,  
the glory, the splendour, and the majesty;  
for everything in heaven and on earth is yours.  
**All things come from you,  
and of your own do we give you.**

## The Eucharistic Prayer

*One of the prayers on p.12 or p.14 may be used, or we may use a prayer with these responses.*

The Lord is here.  
**His Spirit is with us.**

Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give thanks and praise.**

*The priest praises God for his mighty acts and all respond*

**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.**

*The priest recalls the Last Supper. One of these acclamations is used*

Great is the mystery of faith:	Or	Praise to you, Lord Jesus:
<b>Christ has died:</b>		<b>Dying you destroyed our death,</b>
<b>Christ is risen:</b>		<b>rising you restored our life:</b>
<b>Christ will come again.</b>		<b>Lord Jesus, come in glory</b>

*The Prayer continues and leads into praise, which may include these words,*

**Blessing and honour and glory and power  
be yours for ever and ever.**

*The praise ends,*

**Amen.**

*We kneel or sit to pray in silence.*

## **The Lord's Prayer**

**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 priest breaks the consecrated bread.*

**We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.  
Though we are many, we are one body,  
because we all share in one bread.**

## **Agnus Dei**

*We remain kneeling or seated to 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.**

## **Giving of Communion**

*The priest invites us to share communion. We pray in humility,*

**We do not presume  
to come to this your table, merciful Lord,  
trusting in our own righteousness,  
but in your manifold and great mercies.  
We are not worthy  
so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table.  
But you are the same Lord  
whose nature is always to have mercy.  
Grant us therefore, gracious Lord,  
so to eat the flesh of your 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.**

*If you would receive bread and wine in your own church (of any Christian tradition) please feel welcome to do so here when invited by the wardens. Otherwise, please come forward for a blessing, bringing this booklet to indicate to the ministers that you do not wish to receive bread and wine.*

*As we share communion, please join in singing hymns, or pray in silence.*

## **Prayer after Communion**

*Silence is kept. A minister leads us in one prayer (printed on the readings sheet), then we say one of these prayers together,*

**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,*

**You have opened to us the Scriptures, O Christ,  
and you have made yourself known  
in the breaking of the bread.  
Abide with us, we pray,  
that, blessed by your royal presence,  
we may walk with you  
all the days of our life,  
and at its end behold you  
in the glory of the eternal Trinity,  
one God for ever and ever. Amen.**

## **The Dismissal**

*We sit for any banns of marriage and announcements.*

*We learn from Junior and Tots' Church, and then a minister blesses us before we are sent into the world to serve God.*

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

*Please stay for refreshments and to meet others from the congregation after worship. If you would like to know more about the Christian faith or the life of this congregation, please speak with one of the ministers.*

*Please leave this booklet on the table in the porch as you leave. May God be with you and those you love.*

## Eucharistic Prayer F

The Lord is here.

**His Spirit is with us.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

*The priest praises God, ending,*

**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 God, you are the most holy one,  
enthroned in splendour and light,  
yet in the coming of your Son Jesus Christ  
you reveal the power of your love  
made perfect in our human weakness.

**Amen. Lord, we believe.**

Embracing our humanity, Jesus showed us the way of salvation;  
loving us to the end, he gave himself to death for us;  
dying for his own, he set us free from the bonds of sin,  
that we might rise and reign with him in glory.

**Amen. Lord, we believe.**

On the night he gave up himself for us all  
he 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.

**Amen. Lord, we believe.**

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.  
**Amen. Lord, we believe.**

Therefore we proclaim the death that he suffered on the cross, we celebrate his resurrection, his bursting from the tomb, we rejoice that he reigns at your right hand on high and we long for his coming in glory.  
**Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

As we recall the one, perfect sacrifice of our redemption, Father, by your Holy Spirit let these gifts of your creation be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ; form us into the likeness of Christ and make us a perfect offering in your sight.  
**Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.**

Look with favour on your people and in your mercy hear the cry of our hearts. Bless the earth, heal the sick, let the oppressed go free and fill your Church with power from on high.  
**Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.**

Gather your people from the ends of the earth to feast with all your saints at the table in your kingdom, where the new creation is brought to perfection in 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. **Amen.**

*We continue with the Lord's Prayer on p.9*

# Eucharistic Prayer H

The Lord is here.  
**His Spirit is with us.**

Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give thanks and praise.**

It is right to praise you, Father, Lord of all creation;  
in your love you made us for yourself.  
When we turned away  
you did not reject us,  
but came to meet us in your Son.  
**You embraced us as your children  
and welcomed us to sit and eat with you.**

In Christ you shared our life  
that we might live in him and he in us.  
**He opened his arms of love upon the cross  
and made for all the perfect sacrifice for sin.**

On the night he was betrayed,  
at supper with his friends  
he took bread, and gave you thanks;  
he broke it and gave it to them, saying:  
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;  
do this in remembrance of me.  
**Father, we do this in remembrance of him:  
his body is the bread of life.**

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine,  
he gave you thanks, and said:  
Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,  
which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins;  
do this in remembrance of me.

**Father, we do this in remembrance of him:  
his blood is shed for all.**

As we proclaim his death and celebrate his rising in glory,  
send your Holy Spirit that this bread and this wine  
may be to us the body and blood of your dear Son.

**As we eat and drink these holy gifts  
make us one in Christ, our risen Lord.**

With your whole Church throughout the world  
we offer you this sacrifice of praise  
and lift our voice to join the eternal song of heaven:

**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.**

*We continue with the Lord's Prayer on p.9*

## **Prayers for private preparation**

*It is important that we prepare ourselves as well as possible to meet with  
God in the Eucharist. These prayers may help, but most important is to  
open your heart to God, in the expectation that he will meet us today.*

**God of our days and years,  
we set this time apart for you.  
Form us in the likeness of Christ  
so that our lives may glorify you.  
Amen.**

**Almighty God,  
your Son has opened for us  
a new and living way into your presence.  
Give us new hearts and constant wills  
to worship you in spirit and in truth;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.**

## **The Ten Commandments**

God spoke these words and said: I am the Lord your God  
you shall have no other gods but me.  
You shall not make for yourself any idol,  
whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above,  
or that is on the earth beneath,  
or that is in the water under the earth.  
You shall not bow down to them or worship them.  
You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain.  
Remember the Sabbath day, and keep it holy.  
For six days you shall labour and do all your work.  
But the seventh day is a Sabbath to the Lord your God.  
**Lord, have mercy upon us,  
and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Honour your father and your mother  
You shall not murder.  
You shall not commit adultery.  
You shall not steal.  
You shall not bear false witness.  
You shall not covet.  
**Lord, have mercy upon us,  
and write all these your laws in our hearts.**