

## THE INVITATION

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.

*All are welcome to come forward to receive from God. If you have been confirmed or normally receive communion at your church, please receive the bread and the wine. Alternatively you are welcome to come forward for a prayer of blessing (please keep your hands together at the communion rail). And of course you can remain seated as you feel comfortable.*

*Songs sung during communion are normally listed on the board on the right*

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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.

## HYMN/SONG

## BLESSING

## DISMISSAL

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



**Please stay for refreshments  
after the service**

# FAMILY COMMUNION

## WELCOME & NOTICES

The Lord be with you  
And also with you.

*We offer one another a sign of  
peace*



Lord, direct our thoughts, teach us to pray,  
lift our hearts to worship you in Spirit and in  
truth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## HYMN/SONG

## SAYING SORRY

Jesus says, "Repent for the kingdom of  
heaven is close at hand." So let us turn away  
from our sin and turn to him, confessing our  
sins in penitence and faith:

**Father, we have sinned against heaven and  
against you. We are not worthy to be called  
your children. We turn to you again. Have  
mercy on us. Bring us back to yourself as  
those who once were dead but now have new  
life through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

May the God of love bring us back to himself,  
forgive us our sins, and assure us of his  
eternal love in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## THE BIBLE READING

At the end the reader may  
say:

This is the word of the Lord  
Thanks be to God



## THE TALK

## **PRAYING FOR OTHERS**

*And at the end: Merciful Father,  
Accept these prayers for the sake of your  
Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen*

## **DECLARING WHAT WE BELIEVE**

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.**



**HYMN/SONG** (during which the  
Lord's table is laid and the offering  
collected)

## **THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

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 may say a short prayer of thanks ...*

You made us all, each wonderfully different,  
to join with the angels and sing your praise:

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

We thank you, loving Father, because, when we  
turned away, you sent Jesus, your Son. He gave  
his life for us on the cross and shows us the way  
to live.

Send your Holy Spirit that these gifts of  
bread and wine may be for us Christ's body and  
his blood.

On the night before he died, when darkness  
had fallen, Jesus took bread.  
He gave thanks, broke it, and shared it with his  
disciples, saying:  
'This is my body, given for you. Do this to  
remember me.'

After they had eaten, he took the cup of wine,  
gave thanks, and shared it with his disciples,  
saying: 'This is my blood, poured out for you  
and for many, for the forgiveness of sins.'

So Father, with this bread  
and this cup we celebrate his  
love, his death, his risen life,  
As you feed us with these  
gifts, send your Holy Spirit,  
and change us more and more  
to be like Jesus our Saviour.



Help us, Father, to love one another, as we look  
forward to that day when suffering is ended,  
and all creation is gathered in your loving arms.

And now with all your saints we give you glory,  
through Jesus Christ, in the strength of the  
Spirit, today and for ever.

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray (*sung*):  
**Our Father, who art in heaven;  
hallowed be thy name;  
thy kingdom come; thy will be done;  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread  
And forgive us our sins,  
as we forgive each one of these who sins  
against us.  
And lead us not to the time of trial;  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, the power and the  
glory**

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.**