

The Order for the Celebration  
of Holy Communion  
During Ordinary Time

St. Peter and St. Paul, Deddington

St. John the Evangelist, Hempton

Barford St. Michael and Barford St. John



# THE GATHERING

*(Words in **bold** print are said by everyone.)*

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

**Amen.**

## The Greeting

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be  
with you.

**And also with you.**

## 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.**

## Prayers of Penitence

God so loved the world  
that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ  
to save us from our sins, to be our advocate in heaven,  
and to bring us to eternal life.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith,  
firmly resolved to keep God's commandments  
and to live in love and peace with all.

*Or*

Let us open our hearts to the Lord,  
Who has prepared good things for all who love Him,  
And confess our sins in penitence and faith.

**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 we 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.**

*Or*

**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.**

*The president says*

Almighty 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. **Amen.**

# The Gloria

*Written in the 4<sup>th</sup> century, this is one of the earliest hymns of the Christian Church.*

**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.**

# The Collect

*The minister says the Collect and all respond  
Amen.*

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

## The Readings

*At the end the reader says*

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

# Gospel Reading

*When the Gospel is announced the reader says:*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

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

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*At the end*

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

# Sermon

*At the end of the sermon a period of silence is kept for reflection.*

# The Creed

*This statement of belief was first issued in 325AD to distinguish Christianity from other beliefs and heresies.*

Let us affirm our faith in God, who is 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.**

## Prayers of Intercession

*These responses may be used*

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

*Or*

Lord, hear us.

**Lord, graciously hear us.**

*And at the end*

Merciful Father,

**Accept these prayers**

**for the sake of your Son,**

**our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

# THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

## The Peace

*The words and actions that follow symbolise the command of Jesus to be reconciled to one another before receiving Communion.*

Christ is our peace.

He has reconciled us to God in one body by the cross.

We meet in his name and share his peace.

Or

In the one spirit we are all baptized into one body.

Let us then pursue all that makes for peace  
and builds up our common life.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

## Preparation of the Table and Taking of the Bread and Wine

**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.**

Or

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation:

through your goodness we have this bread to set before you,

which earth has given and human hands have made.

It will become for us the bread of life.

**Blessed be God for ever.**

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation:  
through your goodness we have this wine to set before you,  
fruit of the vine and work of human hands.

It will become for us the cup of salvation.

**Blessed be God for ever.**

## The Eucharistic Prayer

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**

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.

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*:

**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.

**Amen.**

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**

*Or*

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today day 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

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.**

## Giving of Communion

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.  
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word,  
and I shall be healed.**

## Prayer after Communion

Let us pray

*A Post Communion prayer may be said by the minister before the following prayer is  
said by everyone*

**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 Blessing

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

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. **Amen.**

# THE DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**In the name of Christ. Amen.**

*You may like to use the following prayers:*

Strengthen for service Lord, the hands that have taken holy things;  
May the ears which have heard your word be deaf to clamour and dispute;  
May the tongues which have sung your praise be free from deceit;  
May the eyes which have seen the tokens of your love shine with the light of hope;  
And may the bodies which have been fed with your body  
Be refreshed with the fullness of your life.

*Malabar Liturgy*

Jesus, I receive your love  
poured out for me  
in bread and wine.  
Accept this gift of my life,  
brought to the altar  
without conditions.  
Do your work in me,  
and let me be, like you,  
taken, blessed,  
and given for others. Amen.

*Angela Ashwin*

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