

# THE ORDER OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST

## INTRODUCTION

### **Entrance**

*All stand*

### **Acclamation and Greeting**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

*All sit or kneel*

Let us pray:

**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.**

‘Hear O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one; you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength’. Jesus said: “This is the great and first commandment. And the second is like it: you shall love your neighbour as yourself.’

*All sing, while kneeling:*

**Lord, have mercy, have mercy on us.  
Christ, have mercy, have mercy on us.  
Lord, have mercy, have mercy on us.**

*All stand to sing:*

*Trinity 12, 22 August 2021; 9:30am*

## **Gloria in Excelsis**

**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 MINISTRY OF THE WORD**

Let us pray.

*The congregation sits or kneels*

### **The Collect**

*Let us pray for the power to accept suffering with confidence in God's goodness.*

Lord God, whose blessed Son our Saviour gave his back to the smiters and did not hide his face from shame: give us grace to accept the sufferings of this present time with sure confidence in the glory that shall be revealed; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*All sit for the Readings*

**The First Reading is taken from the Book of Joshua,**  
Chapter 24, beginning to read from the 1<sup>st</sup> verse

Then Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel; and they presented themselves before God. And Joshua said to all the people, "Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel: Long ago your ancestors—Terah and his sons Abraham and Nahor—lived beyond the Euphrates and served other gods. Then I took your father Abraham from beyond the River and led him through all the land of Canaan and made his offspring many. I gave him Isaac; and to Isaac I gave Jacob and Esau. I gave Esau the hill country of Seir to possess, but Jacob and his children went down to Egypt.

Then I sent Moses and Aaron, and I plagued Egypt with what I did in its midst; and afterwards I brought you out. When I brought your ancestors out of Egypt, you came to the sea; and the Egyptians pursued your ancestors with chariots and horsemen to the Red Sea. When they cried out to the Lord, he put darkness between you and the Egyptians, and made the sea come upon them and cover them; and your eyes saw what I did to Egypt. Afterwards you lived in the wilderness a long time.

Then I brought you to the land of the Amorites, who lived on the other side of the Jordan; they fought with you, and I handed them over to you, and you took possession of their land, and I destroyed them before you. Then King Balak son of Zippor of Moab, set out to fight against Israel. He sent and invited Balaam son of Beor to curse you, but I would not listen to Balaam; therefore he blessed you; so I rescued you out of his hand. When you went over the Jordan and came to Jericho, the citizens of Jericho fought against you, and also the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Girgashites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites; and I handed them over to you.

I sent the hornet ahead of you, which drove out before you the two kings of the Amorites; it was not by your sword or by your bow. I gave you a land on which you had not laboured, and towns that you had not built, and you live in them; you eat the fruit of vineyards and oliveyards that you did not plant.

"Now therefore revere the Lord, and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness; put away the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the Lord. Now if you are unwilling to serve the Lord, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord."

Then the people answered, "Far be it from us that we should forsake the Lord to serve other gods; for it is the Lord our God who brought us and our ancestors up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight. He protected us along all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed; and the Lord drove out before us all the peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve the Lord, for he is our God."

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Gradual Psalm, Psalm 34 verses 11 - 18**

*Sung by the choir, the congregation seated*

11. Come, ye children, and hearken unto me :  
I will teach you the fear of the Lord.
12. What man is he that lusteth to live :  
and would fain see good days?
13. Keep thy tongue from evil :  
and thy lips, that they speak no guile.
14. Eschew evil, and do good :  
seek peace, and ensue it.
15. The eyes of the Lord are over the righteous :  
and his ears are open unto their prayers.
16. The countenance of the Lord is against them that do evil :  
to root out the remembrance of them from the earth.
17. The righteous cry, and the Lord heareth them :  
and delivereth them out of all their troubles.

18. The Lord is nigh unto them that are of a contrite heart :  
and will save such as be of an humble spirit.

**The Second Reading is taken from the Letter of St Paul  
to the Ephesians, Chapter 5, beginning at the 21<sup>st</sup> verse**

Be subject to one another out of reverence for Christ. Wives, be subject to your husbands as you are to the Lord. For the husband is the head of the wife just as Christ is the head of the church, the body of which he is the Saviour. Just as the church is subject to Christ, so also wives ought to be, in everything, to their husbands. Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, in order to make her holy by cleansing her with the washing of water by the word, so as to present the church to himself in splendour, without a spot or wrinkle or anything of the kind—yes, so that she may be holy and without blemish. In the same way, husbands should love their wives as they do their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. For no one ever hates his own body, but he nourishes and tenderly cares for it, just as Christ does for the church, 30 because we are members of his body. "For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two will become one flesh." This is a great mystery, and I am applying it to Christ and the church. Each of you, however, should love his wife as himself, and a wife should respect her husband.

This is the Word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God**

**The Holy Gospel**

*The Gospel Acclamation is sung.*

**Alleluia, alleluia!**  
Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life;  
you have the words of everlasting life.  
**Alleluia, alleluia!**

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

**The Holy Gospel is written in the Gospel according to St John,**  
Chapter 6, beginning at the 60<sup>th</sup> verse

**Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

When many of his disciples heard it, they said, "This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?" But Jesus, being aware that his disciples were complaining about it, said to them, "Does this offend you? Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. But among you there are some who do not believe." For Jesus knew from the first who were the ones that did not believe, and who was the one that would betray him. And he said, "For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted by the Father." Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him. So Jesus asked the twelve, "Do you also wish to go away?" Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God."

*After the Gospel*

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

**The Profession of Faith**

*All say or sing:*

**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:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from 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.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified.  
He 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**

**The Sermon**

## THE MINISTRY OF PRAYER

*The people sit or kneel for the intercessions and thanksgivings*

Almighty God your Son Jesus Christ has promised that you will hear us when we ask in faith, receive the prayers we offer:

Father, hear our prayer  
**through Jesus Christ our Lord.**  
**Parish Prayer**

**God our Father, send your Holy Spirit upon the people of this parish. Give us a greater love for all. Make us more compassionate for the sick, the lonely and all in need, more zealous in the inspiration of the young; more concerned about the wider mission of the Church and more generous in our giving of service and money. Help each one of us to know what we ought to do, and give us strength and courage faithfully to do it, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Accept our prayer through Jesus Christ our Lord who taught us to pray:

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this 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.**

**The Offertory**

## THE PREPARATION

*All sit or kneel*

Jesus said, "Come to me, all who labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest."

*Matthew 11:28*

Jesus said, "I am the bread of life; he who comes to me shall not hunger, and he who believes in me shall never thirst."

*John 6:35*

Jesus said, "A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another; even as I have loved you, that you also love one another."

*John 13:34*

### **The Prayer of Approach**

**We do not presume to come to 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 we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen**

*Pause for self-examination*

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, confident in God's forgiveness:

**Merciful God our maker and our judge, we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, and in what we have failed to do: we have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves; we repent, and are sorry for all our sins. Father, forgive us. Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

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*The priest says this or another absolution:*

Almighty God, who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith: pardon you and set you free from all your sins, strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life: through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

## **THE GREETING OF PEACE**

*All stand*

We are the body of Christ.  
**His Spirit is with us.**

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

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have these gifts to share. Accept and use our offerings for your glory and for the service of your kingdom.  
**Blessed be God for ever.**

## **THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**  
Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them to the Lord.**  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

All glory and honour be yours always and everywhere, mighty Creator, ever living God.

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We give you thanks and praise for our Saviour Jesus Christ, who by the power of your Spirit was born of Mary and lived as one of us. By his death on the cross and rising to new life, he offered the one true sacrifice for sin and obtained an eternal deliverance for all his people.

Therefore with angels and archangels, and with the all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and singing:

**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 people sit or kneel*

Merciful God, we thank you for these gifts of your creation, this bread and wine, and we pray that by your Word and Holy Spirit, we who eat and drink them may be partakers of Christ's body and blood.

On the night he was betrayed, Jesus took bread; and when he had given you thanks he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, 'Take and eat. This is my body given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.'

After supper he took the cup and again giving you thanks. He gave it to his disciples, saying, 'Drink from this, all of you. This is my blood of the new covenant shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.'

**Christ has died.**

**Christ has risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

Therefore, in obedience to his command, we commemorate and celebrate his saving passion and death, his mighty resurrection and ascension into heaven and we eagerly await his coming again in glory.

We thank you that by your grace alone you have accepted us in Christ; and here we offer you a spiritual sacrifice, holy and acceptable in your sight. Through Christ, receive this our duty and service, and grant that we who eat and drink these holy gifts may, by your Holy Spirit, be one body in Christ, and serve you in unity and peace.

In your grace and mercy, bring us to the joy of your eternal kingdom with all the company of the redeemed. May we praise you in union with them, and give you glory through your Son, Jesus Christ.

Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, we worship you, Father eternal, in songs of never-ending praise:

**Blessing and honour and glory and power  
Are yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

## THE COMMUNION

As this broken bread was once many grains,  
which have been gathered together and made one bread:  
**so may your Church be gathered  
from the ends of the earth into your kingdom.**

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Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the  
world, have mer - cy on us. world, grant us your peace.

The gifts of God for the people of God.

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Come let us take this Holy Sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ, in remembrance that he died for us, and feed on him by faith with thanksgiving.

*The priest and other communicants receive Holy Communion*

The body and blood of Christ strengthen you and keep you in eternal life. **Amen**

## **THE SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE**

*The people sit or kneel*

Living God, in this holy meal you fill us with new hope. May the power of your love, which we have known in word and sacrament, continue your saving work among us, give us courage for our pilgrimage, and bring us to the joys you promise.

*This prayer is said by all*

**Father, we offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice through Jesus Christ our Lord. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.**

*The people sit for any Announcements, then stand for the Blessing*

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

God the Holy Trinity bring you to acknowledge him as Creator, Redeemer, and Sanctifier; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit, come down upon you and remain with you always.