

ST JOHN & ST LUKE
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Order of Service for Holy Communion

We are entering into a period as the body of Christ where some of us will be able, and feel comfortable, to gather once again in our church buildings, while others will still be unable to do so.

It is important that we remember that we continue to be united as the body of Christ, whether we are near or far from one another.

This booklet contains the order of service that will be used in our services in our church buildings during the comings weeks – services that will also be shared online.

If you are coming to a service in either St John's or St Luke's, you are welcome to print off a copy and bring it with you. For the time-being, there shan't be any orders of service provided in church. We have made the liturgy as simple as possible, so that many people might be able to join in without too much difficulty.

If you are worshipping at home, please do use this to join in the worship on your screen.

Those parts for the congregation to join in with are written in **bold**.

Gathering

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

Amen.

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

We are welcomed to the service.

Confession

In the wilderness we find your grace;
you love us with an everlasting love.
Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

There is none but you to uphold our cause;
our sin cries out and our guilt is great.
Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Heal us, O Lord, and we shall be healed;
restore us and we shall know your joy.
Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

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.

Gloria

**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

This is a prayer which 'collects' our thoughts together

The Reading

A passage of scripture, from either the Old Testament or the New Testament

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Gospel

Alleluia, alleluia.

A short sentence of scripture is read.

Alleluia.

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

Glory to you, O Lord.

The Gospel passage for the day is read.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

The Creed

**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.****

The Intercessions

*We offer prayers for the world, one another, and ourselves.
We will often use the following response between prayers:*

Lord, in your mercy
hear our prayer.

At the end of our prayers, we say:

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

The Peace

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

The Eucharistic Prayer

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 thanks and praise.

The priest thanks God for His wonderful acts.

**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,
and calls upon the Holy Spirit to bless the bread and wine.*

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died:

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.

*The priest asks God to strengthen us to work for the good of the world,
and praises God for his glory.*

... Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father,
for ever and ever.

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

**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.**

Breaking of 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.**

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 of the Body of Christ

If you are praying at home, or are in one of our church buildings but do not wish to receive the sacrament at this present time, you are invited to pray using these words

Lord Jesus Christ,
you are the bread of life, living water,
my saviour and redeemer:
I thank you for the gift you made of your own body and blood;
I ask you to fill me this day with the Holy Spirit,
that I may see you more clearly,
love you more dearly,
and follow you more nearly.

Amen.

Prayer after Communion

Notices

The Conclusion

... and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

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

Amen.