Said Holy Communion - Service D

The Gathering

We **stand** as the choir and clergy enter the church.



THE GREETING

As God's people we have gathered:

All Let us worship him together.

The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

We sit for the NOTICES and the INTRODUCTION to the service.

We stand to sing our **OPENING HYMN**.

We sit or kneel as we pray a PRAYER OF PREPARATION:

All Lord, speak to us
that we may hear your word.
Move among us
that we may behold your glory.
Receive our prayers
that we may learn to trust in you.
Amen.

We pray for the CHILDREN as they go out to their groups.

We have a time of **CONFESSION**, a time when we acknowledge our failings before God and ask and receive his forgiveness.

We come to God as one from whom no secrets are hidden, to ask for his forgiveness and peace.

Lord God, our maker and redeemer, this is your world and we are your people: come among us and save us.

We have wilfully misused your gifts of creation; Lord, be merciful:

All forgive us our sin.

We have seen the ill-treatment of others and have not gone to their aid; Lord, be merciful:

All forgive us our sin.

We have condoned evil and dishonesty and failed to strive for justice; Lord, be merciful:

All forgive us our sin.

We have heard the good news of Christ, but have failed to share it with others; Lord, be merciful:

All forgive us our sin.

We have not loved you with all our heart, nor our neighbours as ourselves; Lord, be merciful:

All forgive us our sin.

May almighty God have mercy on *you*, forgive *you your* sins, and bring you to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

We stand as we say or sing the GLORIA.

All 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

We remain **standing** as the COLLECT, the church's special prayer for the day, is prayed.

The Word of God

We sit to hear our first BIBLE READING.

At the end of the reading:

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

We stand to sing our next HYMN.

We remain standing for our GOSPEL READING.

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

At the end of the reading:

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

We sit to hear the SERMON.

THE CREED

We **stand** to affirm our faith.

Let us declare our faith in God.

All We believe in God the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named.

We believe in God the Son, who lives in our hearts through faith, and fills us with his love.

We believe in God the Holy Spirit, who strengthens us with power from on high.

We believe in one God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

We sit or kneel for our PRAYERS.

Our response to the prayers may be: Lord in your mercy

All Hear our prayer.

At the conclusion of our prayers, we may pray: Merciful Father.

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

THE PEACE

We stand to share the PEACE.

We are the body of Christ. In the one Spirit we were 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

All and also with you.

We share with one another a sign of peace, such as a handshake.

THE PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

We remain standing to sing our OFFERTORY HYMN, during which a collection is taken for the work of the church, and the bread and wine are brought forward and placed on the holy table.

At the end of the hymn, we say together:

All 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.

We remain standing for the EUCHARISTIC PRAYER.

The Lord is here

All His Spirit is with us. Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, it is our duty and our joy, at all times and in all places to give you thanks and praise, holy Father, heavenly King, almighty and eternal God. through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

For he is your living Word; through him you have created all things from the beginning, and formed us in your own image.

All To you be glory and praise for ever.

Through him you freed us from the slavery of sin, giving him to be born of a woman and to die upon the cross;

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you raised him from the dead and exalted him to your right hand on high.

All To you be glory and praise for ever.

Through him you have sent upon us your holy and life-giving Spirit, and made us a people for your own possession.

All To you be glory and praise for ever.

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:

All 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.

Please sit or kneel.

Accept our praises, heavenly Father, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, and as we follow his example and obey his command, grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit these gifts of bread and wine may be to us his body and his blood;

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.

All To you be glory and praise for ever.

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.

All To you be glory and praise for ever.

Therefore, heavenly Father, we remember his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross; we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; we look for the coming of your kingdom, and with this bread and this cup we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.

Jesus Christ is Lord:

All Lord, by your cross and resurrection you have set us free. You are the Saviour of the world.

Accept through him, our great high priest, this our sacrifice of thanks and praise, and as we eat and drink these holy gifts in the presence of your divine majesty, renew us with your Spirit, inspire us with your love and unite us in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

All To you be glory and praise for ever.

Through him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, Father almighty, in songs of everlasting praise:

All Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours for ever and ever. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Let us pray for the coming of God's kingdom in the words our Saviour taught us:

All 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 president BREAKS THE BREAD, and says:

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

All Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

THE 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.

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

Please come up for communion as directed. If you don't normally receive communion you are welcome to come up for a prayer of blessing—you can indicate this by holding this booklet in your hand when you come forward. You are welcome to bring children up for a prayer of blessing too.

Please do join in the hymns sung during communion.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

At the end of communion, the minister may pray a prayer, and then we all pray:

All Holy and blessed God, you have fed us with the body and blood of your Son and filled us with your Holy Spirit: may we honour you, not only with our lips but in lives dedicated to the service of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Sending Out

We hear back from the CHILDREN.

We **stand** to sing our **FINAL HYMN**, and turn to face the door as the cross passes.

THE BLESSING

We remain standing for a final BLESSING.

The love of the Lord Jesus draw you to himself, the power of the Lord Jesus strengthen you in his service, the joy of the Lord Jesus fill your hearts; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

All Amen.

Go in the peace of Christ.

All Thanks be to God.

Please do join us for refreshments in the church hall at the end of the service.

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