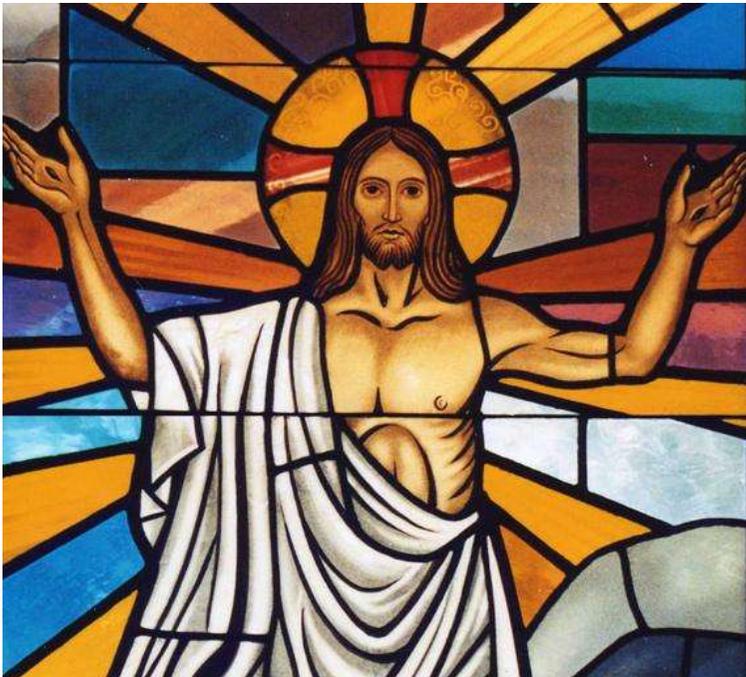


# THE EUCCHARIST IN THE EASTER SEASON



*We join in the words in bold in the service sheet.*

## INTRODUCTION AND WELCOME

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.**

Alleluia, Christ is risen.

**He is risen indeed, Alleluia.**

## PRAYER OF PREPARATION

*We kneel or sit.*

**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.**

## PRAYER OF PENITENCE

*We keep a moment of silence before praying:*

**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.**

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

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

## THE COLLECT

### OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

*Following the reading, the reader says:*

This is the word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

## THE PSALM

### NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

*Following the reading, the reader says:*

This is the word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

## GOSPEL READING

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

**Glory to you, O Lord**

*Following the reading of the Gospel, the reader says*

This is the Gospel of the Lord

**Praise to you, O Christ**

## THE SERMON

## **THE NICENE 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**

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

*The reader ends the prayers of intercession as follows:*

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

## **THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT**

### **THE PEACE**

The Risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said, Peace be with you! Then were they glad when they saw the Lord. Alleluia!

The peace of the Risen Christ be always with you.  
**and also with you. Alleluia!**

## PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR

### TAKING OF THE BREAD AND WINE

*The president takes the bread and wine and says:*  
**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.**

### 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.**

We give you thanks and praise  
for the gospel we have received.  
Christ died for our sins. Alleluia.  
**He is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

Death comes to all through Adam,  
and sin reigns for a time.  
New life without end comes through Christ,  
and he reigns for ever. Alleluia.  
**He is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

Death, where is your victory?  
Death, where is your sting?  
Death is swallowed up in victory,  
the victory you give us in Christ. Alleluia.  
**He is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

We have been crucified with Christ,  
and live his risen life,  
to praise you for ever with angels and archangels.

**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.**

We praise and bless you, loving Father,  
through Jesus Christ, our Lord;  
and as we obey his command,  
send your Holy Spirit,  
that broken bread and wine outpoured  
may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died he had supper with his friends  
and, taking bread, he praised you.  
He broke the bread, gave it to them and said:  
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;  
do this in remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine.  
Again he praised you, gave it to them and said:  
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.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did,  
in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice  
made once for all upon the cross.  
Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation,  
we proclaim his death and resurrection  
until he comes in glory.

Great is the mystery of faith:  
**Christ has died: Christ is risen:**  
**Christ will come again.**

Lord of all life,  
help us to work together for that day  
when your kingdom comes  
and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.  
Look with favour on your people,  
gather us in your loving arms  
and bring us with (*N and*) all the saints  
to feast at your table in heaven.  
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

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

**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**

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup,  
**we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.**

## GIVING OF COMMUNION

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 and rose again for you,  
and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

*Please come forward to receive Communion, as directed  
by the sidespeople. If you would prefer a blessing, please  
bring this service book with you.*

## ANTHEM

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*We keep silence, then we use the prayer on the Sunday reading sheet or the following prayer*

**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 DISMISSAL

### BLESSING

God the Father, by whose glory Christ was raised from the dead, strengthen you to walk with him in his risen life; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and all those for whom you pray, this day and always. Amen

### SENDING OUT

Go in the peace of Christ, Alleluia, Alleluia  
**Thanks be to God, Alleluia, Alleluia**

