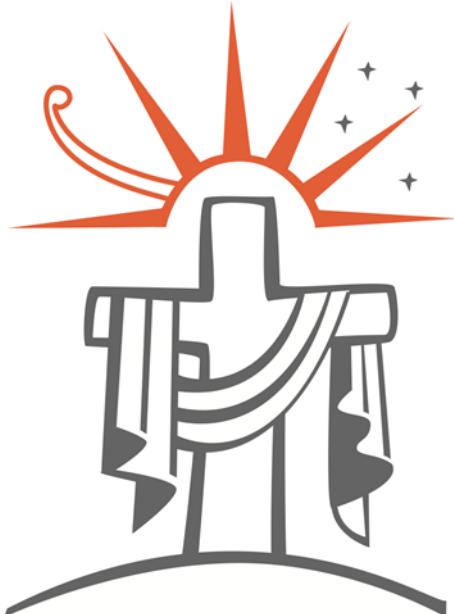


The Order of Service for Holy Communion during Easter



The Gathering

The president introduces the liturgy:

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

Please stand to sing.

Hymn

Alleluia! Christ is risen.
He is risen indeed, Alleluia!

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

Jesus Christ, risen Master and triumphant Lord, we come to you in sorrow for our sins, and confess to you, and to one another, our weakness and unbelief.

We have lived by our own strength,
and not by the power of your resurrection.
In your mercy, forgive us.
Lord, hear us and help us.

We have lived by the light of our own eyes,
as faithless and not believing.

In your mercy, forgive us.

Lord, hear us and help us.

We have lived for this world alone,
and doubted our home in heaven.

In your mercy, forgive us.

Lord, hear us and help us.

May the God of love and power
forgive you and free you from your sins,
heal and strengthen you by His Spirit
and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Please stand for the Gloria (music in the back of your hymnbook)

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 Collect

The Collect is printed on the weekly newssheet.

Liturgy of the word

Readings

At the end of each reading the following response may be used

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand to sing.

Hymn

The Gospel Reading

When the Gospel is announced the reader says

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.

Please sit.

Sermon

After the sermon there is a time of silent reflection.

Please stand.

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.

Please sit or kneel.

Prayers of Intercession

One of 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.

All may say:

**We do not presume
to come to this your table, merciful Lord,
trusting in our own righteousness,
but in your manifold and great mercy.
We are not worthy
so much as to gather 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 our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body
and our souls washed through his most precious blood
that we may evermore dwell in him and he in us.**

Amen.

Please stand for the peace

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 Lord be always with you
and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Please feel free to greet your neighbours with a handshake, a smile, or in some other appropriate way.

Offertory Hymn

During this hymn the table is prepared, bread and wine are placed upon it and the collection taken.

Be present, be present, Lord Jesus Christ,
our risen high priest; make yourself known in the breaking of bread.
Amen.

The Eucharistic (thanksgiving) Prayer

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

(or)

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.

It is right to praise you, Father, Lord of all creation;
in your love you made us for yourself.

When we turned away
you did not reject us,

but came to meet us in your Son.

**You embraced us as your children
and welcomed us to sit and eat with you.**

In Christ you shared our life
that we might live in him and he in us.

**He opened his arms of love upon the cross
and made for all the perfect sacrifice for sin.**

On the night he was betrayed,
at supper with his friends
he took bread, and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to them, saying:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

**Father, we do this in remembrance of him:
his body is the bread of life.**

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine,
he gave you thanks, and said:
Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins;
do this in remembrance of me.

**Father, we do this in remembrance of him:
his blood is shed for all.**

As we proclaim his death and celebrate his rising in glory,
send your Holy Spirit that this bread and this wine
may be to us the body and blood of your dear Son.

**As we eat and drink these holy gifts
make us one in Christ, our risen Lord.**

With your whole Church throughout the world
we offer you this sacrifice of praise
and lift our voice to join the eternal song of heaven:
**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.**

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.**

Or

Let us pray with confidence as our saviour has taught us:

**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 consecrated 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.**

The Agnus Dei may be said or sung. When sung, the music can be found in the back of the green hymnbooks.

**Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world,
grant us peace.**

Giving of Communion

*If you are a communicant member of any Christian Church you
are welcome to receive communion.*

Everyone is welcome to come forward for a blessing.

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

As the bread and wine are given to each communicant, these or similar words are used:

The body of Christ, broken for you: **Amen.**

The blood of Christ, shed for you: **Amen.**

Prayers after Communion

Silence is kept.

A post-communion prayer may be used.

Father of all,
we give you thanks and praise,
that when we were still far off
you met us in your Son and brought us home.
Dying and living, he declared your love,
gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory.
May we who share Christ's body
live his risen life;
we who drink his cup bring life to others;
we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world.
Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,
so that we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to
praise your name; through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Notices

Please stand to sing.

Hymn

The Dismissal

Alleluia. Christ is risen

He is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Praise the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ

He has given us new life and hope.

He has raised Jesus from the dead.

God has claimed us for his own.

He has brought us out of darkness.

He has made us light to the world.

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed. Alleluia.

The 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 remain with you always.

Amen.

A minister says

Go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Please stay for refreshments after the service, in the hall.



www.all saints churchgfd.org.uk



@AllSaintsGfd



www.facebook.com/all saints churchgfd



allsaintsgfd