



Christ Church Worthing

A service of Holy Communion

There is prayer in the organ vestry every Sunday at 10 am for 15 minutes before the service, you are welcome to join at anytime.

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Welcome

The Greeting

The Lord be with you

All and also with you.

Hymn *[Stand]*

All 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 *[Sit or kneel]*

Our Lord Jesus Christ said: The first commandment is this: 'Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is the only Lord.

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.'

The second is this: 'Love your neighbour as yourself.'

There is no other commandment greater than these.

On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

All Amen. Lord, have mercy.

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ to save us from our sins, to be our advocate in heaven, and to bring us to eternal life. Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, firmly resolved to keep God's commandments and to live in love and peace with all.

All 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 *us*, pardon and deliver *us* from all *our* sins, confirm and strengthen *us* in all goodness, and keep *us* in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

Gloria in Excelsis *[Stand] [not sung during Lent or Advent]*

All sing

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

Epistle *[Sit]*

The reader says:

This is the word of the Lord. *All Thanks be to God.*

Worship Songs *[Stand]*

Gospel Reading *[Remain standing]*

Hear the Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to *N.*

All sing **Glory to you, O Lord.**

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All sing **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon *[Sit]*

after which, a short period of silence is kept

The Creed *[Stand]*

All 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 *[Sit or kneel]*

at the end, a short period of silence is kept, and then:

Merciful Father,

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

The Peace *[Stand]*

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

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Preparation of the Table

Offertory Hymn

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.

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

***All sing* 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.

[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.

Great is the mystery of faith:

All sing: Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again.

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 by 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 sing **Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer - As our Saviour taught us, so we pray

All **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 the Bread

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.**

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.**

All are welcome to come to the table, please carry your service sheet if you wish to receive only a blessing'.

Prayer after Communion *[Remain sitting or kneeling]*

All Amen

Together we pray:

All 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 we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Dismissal *[Stand]*

Hymn

Blessing

Go in the peace of Christ.

All Thanks be to God.

*Please join us for coffee or tea
and a chance to chat after the service!*