

PARISH COMMUNION IN ORDINARY TIME

According to Common Worship in the Church of England

Welcome!

Welcome to All Saints Church Wokingham and today's principal celebration of The Eucharist (Holy Communion).

This service follows Order One of the Church of England's Common Worship services and prayers. It is the service used during "Ordinary Time" when there are no special seasons of the church's year to observe.

The Gathering

Words of Welcome

The presiding priest welcomes us informally before the service starts. Notices for the week are in the leaflet. After the welcome, we keep a time of silent prayer before the first hymn.

ENTRANCE HYMN

We stand for the opening hymn.

At the end of the hymn and after the ministers have taken their places on the platform, the presiding priest may say:

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

Amen.

We remain standing for the greeting.

The Greeting

The Lord be with you and also with you.

Prayer of Preparation

We all join in this prayer for purity.

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

The deacon invites us to confess our sins.

My brothers and sisters, as we prepare to celebrate the presence of Christ in word and sacrament, let us call to mind and confess our sins.

Most merciful God,
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
we confess that we have sinned
in thought, word and deed.
We have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have not loved our neighbours
as ourselves.

In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us to amend what we are, and direct what we shall be; that we may do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.

The presiding priest says

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 in Excelsis

We sing or say "The Gloria", or another song.

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 presiding priest introduces a period of silent prayer with the words 'Let us pray' or a more specific bidding.

The Collect of the day is said, and we respond

Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word

Readings

We sit for a reading from the Old or the New Testament, read by a member of the congregation. A **psalm** or **canticle** may replace or follow the reading.

At the end of the reading the reader says: This is the word of the Lord We reply:

GRADUAL HYMN OR ANTHEM

We either stand for a hymn or remain seated to hear the choir sing an anthem.

Gospel Reading

Thanks be to God.

We stand for the Gospel read by the deacon or other person appointed.

This acclamation or similar is said or sung before the Gospel is announced.

Alleluia, alleluia.

We do not live by bread alone,
but by every word that comes from the mouth of God. **Alleluia.**

To announce the Gospel the reader says

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to

Glory to you, O Lord.

At the end
This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON OR PRESENTATION

We stand to say together THE NICENE CREED or another affirmation of faith as printed opposite

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.

Alternative affirmations of faith

(A) 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.

OR

(B)

Minister: We say together in faith All Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God almighty, who was, and is, and is to come.

We believe in God the Father, who created all things: for by his will they were created and have their being.

We believe in God the Son, who was slain:
for with his blood,
he purchased us for God,
from every tribe and language,
from every people and nation.

We believe in God the Holy Spirit: the Spirit and the Bride say, 'Come!' Even so come, Lord Jesus! Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

We sit or kneel for prayers usually led by a member of the congregation. The following responses may be used.

Lord, in your mercy

hear our prayer.

or

Lord, hear us.

Lord, graciously hear us.

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

The Peace

We stand. The presiding priest says these or other suitable words:

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 and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

We now greet our neighbours with a handshake and these or similar words:

Peace be with you.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

OFFERTORY HYMN

During the offertory hymn, representative members of the congregation take up our offerings of bread, wine and water for the Communion, and also the collection is taken. The bread and the wine are placed on the altar by the deacon

The presiding priest praises God for the gifts in these words:

Blessed are you Lord, God of all creation; through your goodness we have this bread to set before you, which earth has given and human hands have made; it will become for us the bread of life.

And we reply: Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you Lord, God of all creation; through your goodness we have this wine to set before you, fruit of the vine and work of human hands; it will become for us the cup of salvation.

And we reply: Blessed be God for ever.

Then we say together:

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 presiding priest offers the thanksgiving of the people over the bread and wine which consecrates them for Communion.

We remain standing through the whole prayer.

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.

First Eucharistic Prayer (CW Prayer A)

If this prayer is not be used see box below right for page numbers

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.

The following may be omitted if a Short Proper Preface is used

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

To you be glory and praise for ever

Through him you have freed us from the slavery of sin, giving him to be born of a woman and to die upon the cross; you raised him from the dead and exalted him to your right hand on high.

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.

To you be glory and praise for ever

A Short Proper Preface may be inserted when appropriate e.g. on holy days

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*:

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 remain standing

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;

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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.

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.

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.

The deacon invites us to proclaim the mystery of faith.

Great is the mystery of faith:

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.

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:

Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours for ever and ever. Amen. We kneel or sit at this point. We keep silence

Second Eucharistic Prayer (CW Prayer B).

Father, we give you thanks and praise through your beloved Son Jesus Christ, your living Word, through whom you have created all things; who was sent by you in your great goodness to be our Saviour.

By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh; as your Son, born of the blessed Virgin, he lived on earth and went about among us; he opened wide his arms for us on the cross; he put an end to death by dying for us; and revealed the resurrection by rising to new life; so he fulfilled your will and won for you a holy people.

A Short Proper Preface may be added here when appropriate.

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*:

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.

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness; grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit, and according to your holy will, these gifts of bread and wine may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;

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.

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. The deacon invites us to proclaim the mystery of faith.

Great is the mystery of faith:

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

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross, his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world; rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, we bring before you this bread and this cup and we thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup, so that we, in the company of [N and] all the saints, may praise and glorify you for ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever.

Amen.

We kneel or sit at this point.

We keep silence

Third Eucharistic Prayer (CW Prayer E).

Father, you made the world and love your creation.
You gave your Son Jesus Christ to be our Saviour.
His dying and rising have set us free from sin and death.
And so we gladly thank you, with saints and angels praising you, and *singing*

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.

The deacon invites us to proclaim the mystery of faith.

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.

We kneel or sit at this point.

We keep silence

Fourth Eucharistic Prayer (CW Prayer H).

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.

We kneel or sit at this point.

We keep silence

Fifth Eucharistic Prayer (CW Prayer G).

Blessed are you, Lord God, our light and our salvation; to you be glory and praise for ever.

From the beginning you have created all things and all your works echo the silent music of your praise.

In the fullness of time you made us in your image, the crown of all creation. You give us breath and speech, that with angels and archangels and all the powers of heaven we may find a voice to sing your praise:

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.

How wonderful the work of your hands, O Lord.
As a mother tenderly gathers her children,
you embraced a people as your own.
When they turned away and rebelled your love remained steadfast.
From them you raised up Jesus our Saviour, born of Mary,
to be the living bread,
in whom all our hungers are satisfied.
He offered his life for sinners, and with a love stronger than death
he opened wide his arms on the cross.

On the night before he died, he came to supper with his friends and, taking bread, he 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.

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 and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

The deacon invites us to proclaim the mystery of faith.

Great is the mystery of faith:

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

Father, we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross; we remember his dying and rising in glory, and we rejoice that he intercedes for us at your right hand.

Pour out your Holy Spirit as we bring before you these gifts of your creation; may they be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

As we eat and drink these holy things in your presence, form us in the likeness of Christ, and build us into a living temple to your glory.

Bring us at the last with [N and] all the saints to the vision of that eternal splendour for which you have created us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, by whom, with whom, and in whom, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, Father almighty, in songs of everlasting praise:

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

We kneel or sit immediately at this point and we keep silence.

Sixth Eucharistic Prayer (CW Prayer D)

Almighty God, good Father to us all, your face is turned towards your world. In love you gave us Jesus your Son to rescue us from sin and death. Your Word goes out to call us home to the city where angels sing your praise. We join with them in heaven's song:

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.

Father of all, we give you thanks for every gift that comes from heaven.
To the darkness Jesus came as your light.
With signs of faith and words of hope he touched untouchables with love and washed the guilty clean. This is his story.

This is our song: Hosanna in the highest.

The crowds came out to see your Son, yet at the end they turned on him.

On the night he was betrayed he came to table with his friends to celebrate the freedom of your people.

This is his story.

This is our song: Hosanna in the highest.

Jesus blessed you, Father, for the food; he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and said: This is my body, given for you all.

Jesus then gave thanks for the wine; he took the cup, gave it and said: This is my blood, shed for you all for the forgiveness of sins. Do this in remembrance of me.

This is our story.

This is our song: Hosanna in the highest.

Therefore, Father, with this bread and this cup we celebrate the cross on which he died to set us free. Defying death he rose again and is alive with you to plead for us and all the world.

This is our story.

This is our song: Hosanna in the highest.

Send your Spirit on us now that by these gifts we may feed on Christ with opened eyes and hearts on fire.

May we and all who share this food offer ourselves to live for you and be welcomed at your feast in heaven where all creation worships you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit:

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

We kneel or sit immediately at this point and we keep silence.

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray.

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

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.

We sing or say the Agnus Dei (Lamb of God) Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us. Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us. Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us peace.

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

Or

Come, You who have much faith, and you who have little. You who have come often, and you who have stayed away. You who have tried to follow, you who have failed. You whose love flickers faint, you whose love burns strong. Come not because I invite you, come because Jesus invites you, bids you welcome, calls your name.

Alternative form of Agnus Dei

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.

The presiding priest and the people receive Holy Communion.

You are welcome to share in the Holy Communion or receive a Blessing as appropriate for you. It can help the minister if you show your wish for a Blessing by holding this booklet in your hands when you come to the communion rail.

Prayer after Communion

When everyone has received Holy Communion we remain kneeling or sitting in silence.

The presiding priest may say a **post communion collect or prayer** which is set for this Sunday.

We say this prayer or the alternative in the margin

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.

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.

If there are to be any banns of marriage called, or particular announcements we sit.

The Dismissal

We stand to sing the final hymn

HYMN

The presiding priest gives the blessing in these or similar words:

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.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

The ministers and people depart.

After each Sunday service refreshments are served. There is an opportunity to meet, and there are often displays of information and goods on sale for charitable purposes; all are welcome.

During communion, If either or both of the consecrated elements are likely to prove insufficient, the priest returns to the altar table and adds more, saying:

Father, having given thanks over the bread and the cup according to the institution of your Son Jesus Christ, who said, 'Take, eat; this is my body' [and/or 'Drink this; this is my blood'], we pray that by the power of your Holy Spirit this bread/wine also may be to us his body/blood, to be received in remembrance of him.

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