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THE EUCHARIST IN ADVENT

St Edburgha's Church, Yardley

ISAIAH 40:3

*A voice cries out:
'In the wilderness
prepare the way
of the Lord,
make straight in
the desert a
highway for our
God.'*

Holy Communion

In Advent

THE GATHERING

Processional Hymn

Please stand as you are able

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

All and also with you

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

All and also with you

The Greeting

The president greets the people

Lighting the Advent Wreath



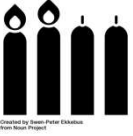
ADVENT ONE: THE MATRIARCHS AND PATRIARCHS

People of God: awake!
The day is coming soon
when you shall see God face to face.
Remember the ways and the works of God.
God calls you out of darkness
to walk in the light of his coming.
You are God's children.

**All Lord, make us one as we walk with Christ
today and for ever. Amen.**

We sing:

Advent candles tell their story
As we watch and pray,
Longing for the Day of Glory,
'Come, Lord, soon,' we say.
Pain and sorrow, tears and sadness,
Changed for gladness on that Day.



ADVENT TWO: THE PROPHETS

People of God: be glad!
Your God delights in you,
giving you joy for sadness
and turning the dark to light.
Be strong in hope therefore;
for your God comes to save.
You are God's children.

**All Lord, make us one in the love of Christ
today and for ever. Amen.**

Advent candles tell their story
As we watch and pray,
Longing for the Day of Glory,
'Come, Lord, soon,' we say.
Pain and sorrow, tears and sadness,
Changed for gladness that Day.

Prophet voices loudly crying,
making pathways clear;
glimpsing glory, self-denying,
calling all to hear.
Through their message, challenged, shaken
hearts awoken: God is near!

ADVENT THREE: JOHN THE BAPTIST



People of God: return!

You are called to be God's own.

From the mountains announce the good news.

God comes in justice and peace,
to all who follow his ways.

You are God's children.

**All Lord, make us one in the peace of Christ
today and for ever. Amen.**

We sing:

Advent candles tell their story

As we watch and pray,

Longing for the Day of Glory,

'Come, Lord, soon,' we say.

Pain and sorrow, tears and sadness

Change for gladness on that Day.

John the Baptist, by his preaching
and by water poured,

Brought to those who heard his teaching
news of hope restored:

'keep your vision strong and steady,
and be ready for the Lord'



ADVENT FOUR: MARY

People of God: prepare!

God, above all, maker of all, is one with us in Christ.

Maranatha!

Come, Lord Jesus!

God, the mighty God,
bends down in love to earth.

Maranatha!

Come, Lord Jesus!

God with us, God beside us,
comes soon to the world he has made.

Maranatha!

Come, Lord Jesus!

**We are God's children,
we seek the coming Christ.**

Maranatha!

Come, Lord Jesus!

We sing:

Advent candles tell their story as we watch and pray,
Longing for the Day of Glory.

'Come, Lord, soon.' We say,
Pain and sorrow, tears and sadness
Changed for gladness on that Day.

Mary's gift, beyond all telling, was to give Christ room.
She gave God a human dwelling,
in a mother's womb.

Who could guess the final story?

Cross and glory; empty tomb!

Prayer of Preparation

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden; cleanse the thought 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

When the Lord comes,
he will bring to light the things now hidden in darkness,
and will disclose the purposes of the heart.
Therefore in the light of Christ let us confess our sins.

Lord Jesus, you came to gather the nations
into the peace of your kingdom:

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

You come in word and sacrament
to strengthen us in holiness:

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

You will come in glory
with salvation for your people:

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

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 Collect

The president introduces a time of silent prayer followed by the Collect, the special prayer for the day which can be found on the notice sheet.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The Readings

We sit for readings from Old and New Testament Scripture. The page numbers in our pew Bibles are announced and given on the notice sheet. Psalm responses can be found printed in the notice sheet.

At the end of each reading the reader may say:

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn

Please stand as you are able

The Gospel Reading

When the Gospel is announced the reader says

Alleluia, alleluia.

Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight,
and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.

All Alleluia.

At the end

This is the Gospel of the Lord

All Praise to you, O Christ

Sermon

Following an opening prayer please be seated

The Creed

Please stand as you are able

We proclaim the Church's faith in Jesus Christ.

**All We believe and declare that our Lord Jesus Christ,
the Son of God, is both divine and human.**

God, of the being of the Father,
the only Son from before time began;
human from the being of his mother, born in the world;

**All fully God and fully human;
human in both mind and body.**

As God he is equal to the Father,
as human he is less than the Father.

**All Although he is both divine and human
he is not two beings but one Christ.**

One, not by turning God into flesh,
but by taking humanity into God;

**All truly one, not by mixing humanity with Godhead,
but by being one person.**

For as mind and body form one human being
so the one Christ is both divine and human.

**All The Word became flesh and lived among us;
we have seen his glory,
the glory of the only Son from the Father,
full of grace and truth.**

Prayers of Intercession and Thanksgiving

The president calls us to prayer. Please sit or kneel.

In the power of the Spirit and in union with Christ,
Let us pray to the Father.

*A lay member of the congregation leads us in prayer. At
the end the leader may say*

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

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

The Peace

Please stand as you are able

In the tender mercy of our God,
the dayspring from on high shall break upon us,
to give light to those who dwell in darkness
and in the shadow of death,
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

All And also with you

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.
*All may exchange a sign of peace (a wave or
handshake)*

Offertory Hymn

Please stand as you are able

PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

*The gifts of the people are gathered and presented.
The table is prepared.*

As this bread was scattered
and then gathered and made one,
so may your Church be gathered into your kingdom.

Glory to you, O God, for ever.

Wisdom has built her a house;
she has mixed her wine; she has set her table.

Glory to you, O God, for ever.

Eucharistic Prayer C

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.

The president begins the Eucharist with words of the proper preface. At the end, saying

And so we join our voices with angels and archangels
and with all the company of heaven
to proclaim your glory
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.**

All glory be to you, our heavenly Father,
who, in your tender mercy,
gave your only Son our Saviour Jesus Christ
to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption;
who made there by his one oblation of himself once
offered a full, perfect and sufficient sacrifice, oblation
and satisfaction for the sins of the whole world;
he instituted, and in his holy gospel commanded us to

continue, a perpetual memory of his precious death until he comes again.

Hear us, merciful Father, we humbly pray, and grant that, by the power of your Holy Spirit, we receiving these gifts of your creation, this bread and this wine, according to your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed body and 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.

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.

Christ has died

Christ is risen;

Christ will come again.

Therefore, Lord and heavenly Father, in remembrance of the precious death and passion, the mighty resurrection and glorious ascension of your dear Son Jesus Christ,

we offer you through him this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving.

Grant that by his merits and death,
and through faith in his blood,
we and all your Church may receive forgiveness
of our sins and all other benefits of his passion.
Although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins,
to offer you any sacrifice,
yet we pray that you will accept this
the duty and service that we owe.

Do not weigh our merits, but pardon our offences,
and fill us all who share in this holy communion
with your grace and heavenly blessing;
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.

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Eucharistic Prayer G

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.

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.

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.

Remember, Lord, your Church in every land.
Reveal her unity, guard her faith,
and preserve her in peace ...

Bring us at the last with Edburgha 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

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 forever. Amen.**

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

The president says

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

Or

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.

Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

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

This prayer may be said before the distribution

All Most merciful Lord, your love compels us to come in. Our hands were unclean, our hearts were unprepared, we were not fit even to eat the crumbs from under your table. But you, Lord, are the God of our salvation, and share your bread with sinners. So, cleanse and feed us with the precious body and blood of your Son, that he may live in us and we in him; and that we, with the whole company of Christ, may sit and eat in your kingdom. Amen.

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 president and the people receive communion or a blessing

Prayer after Communion

After receiving Communion we keep silence

*The president says the Prayer After Communion,
followed by*

**All 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

Parish notices are given, and Wedding Banns are read.

Recessional Hymn

Please stand as you are able

The Blessing

The president may say this or another suitable blessing

Our Lord says, 'I am coming soon.'

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

May the Lord, when he comes,
find us watching and waiting.

Amen.

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 peace to love and serve the Lord

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

The ministers and people depart.



A Christian presence in
every community

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