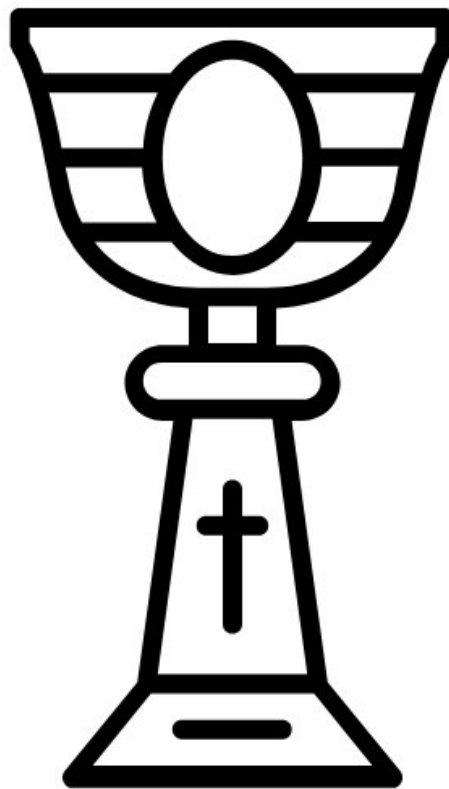


St Edburgha's Church



Holy Communion

Easter Season

Welcome to St Edburgha's Church

Easter is a season of celebration as Christians remember the glorious resurrection of Christ. It is a sacred time thanksgiving and recommitment to live as people redeemed by the power of the Cross. We are pleased to welcome you to worship with us today.

Reverend Tammy Tearoe



*Whatever the stresses and strains in getting yourself or other family members here this morning, now it's time to relax and slow down. Jesus said, "**Peace be with you**".*

To follow this service you just need this sheet and a blue hymnbook. We'll guide you through so you don't need to know anything beforehand.



We want you to be in the moment so don't forget to turn your phone off or to silent.

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 Amen

The Greeting

The president greets the people

The light and peace of Jesus Christ be with you
and also with you.

The glory of the Lord has risen upon us.

All Let us rejoice and sing God's praise for ever.

Prayer of Preparation

**All Almighty God,
your Son has opened for us
a new and living way into your presence.
Give us new hearts and constant wills
to worship you in spirit and in truth;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

Amen.

Summary of the Law

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,
and 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.

Invitation to Confession

In baptism we died with Christ,
so that as Christ was raised from the dead,
we might walk in newness of life.
Let us receive new life in him
as we confess our sins in penitence and faith.

cf Romans 6.4

Prayers of Penitence

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

Silence is kept

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

All 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.

All Lord, hear us and help us.

We have lived for this world alone,
and doubted our home in heaven.
In your mercy, forgive us.

All Lord, hear us and help us.

The Absolution

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.

All Amen.

The Gloria in Excelsis

Please stand as you are able

**All 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 president leads the special prayer for the day which can
be found on the notice sheet.*

Please be seated

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The Readings

We sit for two readings from Old and New Testament Scripture.

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

Jesus Christ is risen from the dead.

All Alleluia.

He has defeated the powers of death.

All Alleluia.

Jesus turns our sorrow into dancing.

All Alleluia.

He has the words of eternal life.

All Alleluia.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to (N)

All Glory to you, O Lord.

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

Let us declare our faith in God.

**All 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.
Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession and Thanksgiving

A lay member of the congregation leads us in prayer.

Lord, in your mercy	Lord, hear us.
All hear our prayer.	All Lord, graciously hear us.

At the end the leader may say

Merciful Father,

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

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

The Peace

Please stand as you are able

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.

John 20.19, 20

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 which may be a wave or
handshake*

Offertory Hymn

Please remain standing as you are able

PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation.

In your loving care you spread before us the table of life
and give us the cup of salvation to drink.

Keep us always in the fold of our Saviour

and our Shepherd, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Blessed be God for ever.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER B

The Lord be with you. or The Lord is here.
All And also with you. 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.

We give you thanks and praise
for the gospel we have received.
Christ died for our sins. Alleluia.
All 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.
All 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.

All 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.

**All 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.

Great is the mystery of faith

**All 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 Edburgha 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.

Please kneel or sit for the Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

All **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.

The president breaks the consecrated bread, saying

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

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 heart by faith with thanksgiving.

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

All 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.

All are welcome to receive the bread and wine or a blessing

Prayer after Communion

After receiving Communion we keep silence

The president says the Prayer After Communion

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

May Christ,
who out of defeat brings new hope and a new future,
fill you with his new life;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

Here are words you may trust.
Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead:
he is our salvation, our eternal glory.

If we die with him, we shall live with him;
if we endure, we shall reign with him.

For he has broken the power of death
**and brought life and immortality to light
through the gospel.**

He is not here. He is risen.
Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Alleluia, alleluia.

All In the name of Christ. Amen. Alleluia, alleluia.

The ministers and people depart.



*Please join us for
refreshments in the north aisle.*



A Christian presence in
every community

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